

## George Weaven

(cir. 1821 – 1897, England & New York)

Little definitive information has been found about George Weaven. In the only U.S. census where he has been found, (1850 in Owego, Tioga Co., N. Y.), he is listed as age 29 and born in England, which would put his birthdate around 1821. Other information in the census shows that he was a shoemaker, and was married to Eliza, also the same age and born in England.

The 1841 census in England shows a George Weaven who may be the same person. He is listed as a shoemaker, age 20, and living in Berkshire, which is a county west of London. Another record shows that a George Weaven married in 1849 in Wokingham, Berkshire, England, possible spouse Eliza Ann Taylor. If this is him, he and Eliza must have emigrated to the U.S. soon afterwards.

Curiously, George appears to be mentioned in an obituary in the *Owego Daily Record* of October 1, 1888. In the biography of the deceased, Lee Newton Chamberlain, it mentions that Chamberlain moved to Owego from Massachusetts in 1851 and “purchased the boot and shoe manufacturing business of an Englishman, named Weaven...”

In 1853, the following notice appeared in the Elmira, N. Y. newspaper:

NEW IDEA.

SCOVILLE has purchased \$1200 worth of Clothing, of George Weaven, two doors above Hill's Store - and Intends selling it out at cost and under.

All those wanting anything in the line will do well to look at this Stock. Call and look for yourselves. T. S. SCOVILLE

(*Elmira Republic*, Elmira, N. Y., March 1, 1853 [and following])

[Elmira is about 35 miles west of Owego.]

The next clue to the Weaven family is from the death certificate of their daughter Mae E. Weaven Grover, who died in 1916. She is listed with parents George and Eliza Taylor Weaven, both born in England, and with her birthplace as Elmira, Chemung Co., N. Y. in 1854. From that point on, no trace has been found of the Weaven parents or any other children in the census.

But it is presumed that the Weavens remained in N.Y. State after immigration, since George was naturalized as a citizen in Tompkins Co., N. Y., in 1864. His daughter Mae shows up in records of Ingham University (a female high school) in LeRoy, Genesee Co. N.Y. around 1870, and her home town is listed as Ithaca, Tompkins Co. N.Y. Mae herself never appears in the census until after her marriage to Ira S. Grover in 1876.

The *Ithaca Daily News*, July 6, 1897, issue contains the following personal notice:

“Mrs. Ira Grover went to Albany this morning to bring home her father, Geo. Weaven, who is sick.” In early December he was admitted to Willard State Hospital in the town of Romulus, Seneca Co., N.Y., where he died on December 10, 1897 of chronic nephritis (kidney inflammation). He was buried in the hospital cemetery.

Some more details on George's life are derived from his death certificate. It states that he had been in the U.S. for 48 years, which corresponds to the presumed immigration date of 1849 above. His parents were William and Charlotte Weaven of England. (So far, only one census record of a William and Charlotte Weaver in England has been located, from 1871.) He was widowed at the time of death, and his occupation was listed as photographer.

## George Weaven in the census

### 1841, Berkshire, England

Name: George Weaven, Age: 20, Born in: 1821, Profession: Shoe Maker

Event Type	<b>Census</b>
Name	<b>George Weaven</b>
Sex	<b>Male</b>
Age	<b>20</b>
Event Date	<b>1841</b>
Event Place	<b>Newbury, Berkshire, England, United Kingdom</b>
Event Place (Original)	<b>Newbury, Berkshire, England</b>
Registration District	<b>Newbury Union</b>
Birth Year (Estimated)	<b>1817-1821</b>
Page Number	<b>6</b>
Piece/Folio	<b>33/6</b>
Registration Number	<b>H0107</b>

(<https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:MQRH-RBG>)

### 1850 US, Owego, Tioga Co. NY, p. 223

George Weaven, age 29, shoemaker, born England

Eliza Weaven, age 29, born England

(<https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:MC1T-HL6>)

Marriage Record

George Weaven	
England and Wales Marriage Registration Index, 1837-2005	
Name:	George Weaven
Event Type:	Marriage
Event Place:	Wokingham, Berkshire, England
Registration District:	Wokingham
County:	Berkshire
Registration Quarter:	Oct-Nov-Dec
Registration Year:	1849
Volume:	6
Affiliate Line Number:	13
Possible Spouse:	Eliza Ann Taylor
Possible Spouse:	George Weaver

(<https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:2D3D-518>)

Death Certificate of George

County of Seneca 48850  
Town of Rome  
Village of \_\_\_\_\_  
City of \_\_\_\_\_

STATE OF NEW YORK—BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS.  
Certificate and Record of Death. Registered No. 955

George Weaven

I hereby certify that I attended deceased from Dec. 3rd, 1897 to Dec. 10th, 1897  
that I last saw him on the 9th day of December, 1897, that he died on the  
10th day of December, 1897, about 12 o'clock, A. M. and that to best of my  
knowledge and belief, the cause of his death was as hereunder written.

Chief Cause, Chronic Nephritis Duration of Disease 5 yrs.  
Contributing Cause, Uræmia et Cordis Dilatation  
Sanitary Observations, Good

Witness my hand this 13th day of December, 1897.  
Place of Burial, Willard S. H. Cemetery  
Date of Burial, Dec. 11, 1897  
Undertaker, John Walsh  
Residence, Willard, N.Y.

FOR GENEALOGICAL RESEARCH ONLY

Date of Death	<u>Dec. 10, 1897</u>
Full Name	<u>George Weaven</u>
Age in years months and days	<u>77 years</u>
Color	<u>White</u>
Single, Married or Widowed	<u>Widowed</u>
Occupation	<u>Photographer</u>
Birthplace	<u>England</u>
How long in U. S. (Foreign born)	<u>15 years</u>
How long resident here	<u>7 days</u>
Father's Name	<u>William Weaven</u>
Father's Birthplace	<u>England</u>
Mother's Name	<u>Charlotte Weaven</u>
Mother's Birthplace	<u>England</u>
Place of Death	<u>Willard State Hospital</u>
Last Place of Residence	<u>Utica, N.Y.</u>
Disease or Cause of Death	<u>Chronic Nephritis</u>
Indirect cause of Death	<u>Uræmia et Cordis Dilatation</u>
Date of Record	<u>Dec. 13, 1897</u>



# Death Certificate of Daughter Mae

1 PLACE OF DEATH (Dist. No. 5401...) County <u>Tompkins</u>		New York State Department of Health BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS	
TOWN or Village or City <u>Shawna</u>		STANDARD CERTIFICATE OF DEATH STATE OF NEW YORK	
2 FULL NAME <u>Mae E. Grover</u>		Registered No. <u>165</u>	
PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS		MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH	
3 SEX <u>Female</u>	4 COLOR OR RACE <u>White</u>	5 MARRIED, WIDOWED, OR SEPARATED (Write the word) <u>Married</u>	
6 DATE OF BIRTH <u>Oct 31</u> , 18 <u>84</u>		16 DATE OF DEATH <u>July 8</u> , 191 <u>6</u>	
7 AGE <u>61</u> yrs. <u>8</u> mos. <u>7</u> ds.		17 I HEREBY CERTIFY, That I attended deceased from <u>May 5</u> , 191 <u>6</u> , to <u>July 8</u> , 191 <u>6</u> , that I last saw her alive on <u>July 8</u> , 191 <u>6</u> , and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at <u>3:10 P.</u> M. The CAUSE OF DEATH was as follows: <u>Central Hemorrhage</u>	
8 OCCUPATION (a) Trade, profession, or particular kind of work <u>Homemaker</u> (b) General nature of industry, business, or establishment in which employed (or employer)		18 LENGTH OF RESIDENCE FOR HOSPITALS, INSTITUTIONS, TRANSIENTS, OR RECENT RESIDENTS.	
9 BIRTHPLACE <u>Florida N.Y.</u>		19 NAME OF FATHER <u>George Haven Eng</u>	
10 NAME OF FATHER		20 MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER <u>Eliza Taylor Eng</u>	
11 BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER		12 BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER	
13 THE ABOVE IS TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE (Informant) <u>Mae E. Grover</u> (Address) <u>Shawna N.Y.</u>		14 THE ABOVE IS TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE (Informant) <u>Mae E. Grover</u> (Address) <u>Shawna N.Y.</u>	
15 FILED <u>July 10</u> , 191 <u>6</u> <u>Jane E. Lynch</u> REGISTRAR		16 PLACE OF BURIAL OR REMOVAL <u>Willow Glen</u>	
17 DATE OF BURIAL <u>July 11</u> , 191 <u>6</u>		18 UNDERTAKER <u>J. S. Gilbert</u>	
19 ADDRESS <u>Shawna N.Y.</u>		20 DATE OF ISSUE <u>July 10</u> , 191 <u>6</u>	

**Other sources:**

George's naturalization: <https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:QG15-7XKX>

N.Y. Death index: <https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:QGRH-DGL6>

Find a Grave entry for George: <https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:7QS9-STN2>

Find a Grave entry for Mae: <https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:QVGL-PFDN>

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