

Forest May (Glover) Rich was born Aug. 21, 1878 in Mill Grove, Blackford Co., IN. She was the second of four children born to William R. and Susannah (Thompson) Glover. She had six older half siblings. Her father was a farmer and Civil War veteran. In 1887 when she was 9 years old her mother died. On June 12, 1890, Forest and her two younger brothers, Lewis and Lester were admitted to the Indiana Soldiers and Sailors Children's home in Knightstown, IN. At that time, their father, William R. Glover was alive but unable to support them because of "diseases contracted in the army" and injuries he sustained in the Civil War that made him unable to work for any length of time, causing the family hardship. Forest was 11 years old at the time and was released 8-30-1894 at the age of 16 years and returned to her fathers house in Mill Grove. Her father remarried and Forest had one more half-brother.

Forest had two sons out of wedlock, Ithamer was born mentally handicapped and was institutionalized his whole life. In 1901 she had a second son who she sent to live with her brother, Charley Glover in MN when he was @4 years old.

On March 4, 1905 she married Allison E. Evans in Blackford County, IN. They divorced in 1918.

On March 19, 1918 she married John A. Rich of Portland, Jay Co., IN. They lived in Portland, IN where Forest was a housewife. She died Nov. 22, 1948.

She is survived by sons, Ithamer Davis of Fort Wayne Developmental Center, Ft. Wayne, IN, Earl Glover of Danvers, MN, half-sister, Mrs. Emma Harris of Dunkirk, IN, half-sister, Mrs. Mary Davis of Swanton, OH, and Hester Glover; brothers, William Glover of Michigan, Mason, Lewis and Harry Glover.

She was preceded in death by husband, John Rich in 1946; father, William Glover in 1906; mother, Susannah Glover in 1887; half-brothers, Charley Glover in 1946, Albert Glover in 1945; and brother, Lester Glover in 1914.

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