Kampsen, Anna Mary Fischer 1876 - 1947

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Brian, This is just a first draft. It will be very revised, but will hold onto the actual style of language Aunt Ester used. I was feeling quilty about not communicating with you more, it has just been a busy time. Hopefully, my Aunts can give me correct names of Covington streets at the December 5 birthday party for Josephine. My mother has written a beautiful piece about life with her Mother.

Here Comes Annie

Anna and Frank Kampsen

Told by Ester Kampsen Bell on March 20, 1997

The first car that we had that came to Covington was in 1929. Bought at Hanson's Ford on across from the big post office. But Mother didn't drive a car until she was about in her 50's. She had that there 2 seater (Dad didn't drive.) and she would say. "Here comes Annie." She would go down to the grocery.

She had that horse and pony before she got that car. We had that great thing with the furry with the fringe on top. She had that thing and she got a horse named Tom and he was part race horse and she would go down to Dipinbox on Hodge St. She dealt there. She would drive it down. There was me, Earl, Gene, and Ruth in the thing. We came down on before the expressway there was a ballpark on 16th. They played ball down there and they had wrestling matches. Everybody came and had fun. And up there on Woodburn, no Cavanaugh St., there was a little grade in the street, like that, that was her way from getting home from Pike St. When you look down you could see that ballpark and it was like a cliff. So she came that route after going to the grocery. Tom pulling the thing. When we went down the little grade on the hill and his back strap hit him in the hind. It hit his rear end like that and he went up in the air. He took us down the hill. Wound up in the hospital. We were all in the hospital. When my dad came home from work Mom wasn't there. The horse was in the stable, this is on 1803 (this is a true story) and he said, "Oh, my God." Well, the first thing he went was right over here, a small hospital and there we all were. I had a double broken arm, Earl had a scull fracture, and my mother, oh, her back. Gene was hurt. I remember going down the hill and my mother yelling," Gene, hold on to the baby, or throw her out. So he held on tight to the baby. Ruth was the

by. Gene was in front with the baby. Earl and I were in the back. So my dad got rid of Tom. He bought her that 2 seater and a little pony named Nelly. And she drove that until she got her little car. That thing she had to crank, pull out the plug, you know no gear shift. March of '29 from John Hansor Ford, first car that he had. Way when they first were making them she had her name on the list to get a car. Now that's going way back, honey. Albert Kampsen - (2nd child, 1st son of Frank and Anna) Playing in a sewer and got tetanus. Died when 17 years old.

Eugene Kampsen moved to Seattle, Washington, Good looking, portly but not fat, very nice. Died in last 5 years. 2 children Josephine C Toebbe !887-1961 married Harvey H. Handorf 1887-1966 She was my favorite aunt and lived 3 doors down from me. Toebbes never speak of Uncle Harvey. He was always called Uncle PeeHead, which at age 5 was what I called him until Josephine informed my mother.

Love, Cousin Candy

Kentucky Post - March 25, 1947

Mrs. Anna Kampsen

Solemn Requiem High Mass for Mrs. Anna Mary Kampsen, 1804
Monroe street, Covington, will be sung at St. Augustine Church at 9:30 a. m. Friday, following prayers at the Henry Linnemann Sons funeral home, Covington, at 9 a m. Burial will be in Mother of God Cemetery.

Mrs. Kampsen, who was 70, died Tuesday at her home. She was a lifelong resident of Covington, and was the mother of Rev. Leo Kampsen, chaplain at St. Joseph Heights, and Patrolman Ralph Kampsen of the Covington Police Department.

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