

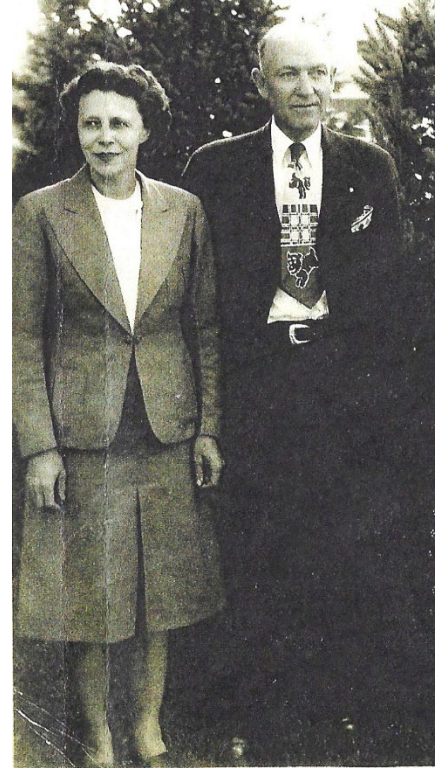
## Jacob (Jake) and Lesta Pettingell

Jake was born June 28, 1903 in Hot Sulphur Springs. He married Lesta Bennett who was born January 21, 1900. They were married in 1924 in Denver. He was assistant cashier for The Denver Post for 24 years. They moved from Denver to Grand Lake in 1944 where they purchased Brownhurst Cabins from the Henry Schnoor's and operated them until 1964.

Jake and Lesta were involved in the community. Jake was mayor of Grand Lake for 4 years. He also was a past master of Masonic Lodge 163 in Kremmling, a past president of the Grand Lake Chamber of Commerce and a member of the Grand Lake Pioneers Society.

Jake was the handyman, while Lesta cared for the cabins and cooked for the guests. They enjoyed taking care of the cabins and really enjoyed meeting the people and being energized in the community.

They had quite a few repeat customers some who usually stayed a week at the cabins. They even had a couple of customers that would spend the entire summer.



When they ultimately sold the cabins, they rented a house a couple of blocks behind the main part of town. They would stay there and still keep with the new owner of the cabins, because they still wanted to be involved in the community. They moved to Denver in 1977 when Jake's health began to fail.

Jake died June 2, 1979 and Lesta died September 1, 1979. They are both buried at Crown Hill Cemetery in Denver, CO.