

John Henry Pike

Pioneer of 1852

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John Henry Pike

b. 25 Dec 1815 Massachusetts

d. 06 Nov 1903 Orcas, San Juan County, Washington

buried [Woodlawn Cemetery](#), Orcas, San Juan County, Washington

m1. c1840

m2. c1862

Hellen Comfort Lake

b. 1828 New York

d. 1896 Ilwaco, Pacific County, Washington

buried [Ilwaco Cemetery](#), Ilwaco, Pacific County, Washington

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1880: New Tacoma, Pierce County, Washington, June 10, 1880; John Pike, 64, carpenter, Mass Mass Mass; Hellen, 52, wife, keeps house, NY NY NY

1885: Pacific County, Washington, John Pike, 69, carpenter, PA; H. E., 57, housekeeper, NY

1900: Point Roberts, Whatcom County, Washington, June 23, 1900; Frank Pike, head, Nov 1860, 40, m-7yrs, OR NY NY, fisherman; Lauria, wife, Oct 1875, 24, m-7yrs, 5-5, IA PA IN; Effie, dau, Mar 1893, 7, s, WA OR IA; Dana, dau, May 1894, 6, WA OR IA; July 1896, 4, s, WA OR IA; Selena, dau, Sep 1898, 1, s, WA OR IA; Robert, son, 9/12, s, WA OR IA; John, father, Dec 1814, 85, wid, Mass VT VT, carpenter-house

# IS DEAD AT ORCAS ISLAND

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John Pike, a Puget Sound  
Pioneer, Goes to His  
Reward.

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News was brought to The Times yesterday by S. B. Graham, of 116 Nob Hill Avenue, of the death at Orcas Island, near East Sound, of John Pike, for whom Pike Street in this city was named. Pike passed away on November 6, at the age of 88 years, 10 months and 12 days. He was buried at Orcas Island, which had been his home for a few months before his death.

John Pike was one of the pioneer residents of this city. From the recollections of C. B. Bagley, who knew Pike during the greater part of his residence here, and of Mr. Graham, who knew Pike



JOHN PIKE

for twenty years, it is learned that the latter came across the plains in 1852 with Dexter Horton, Daniel Bagley, A. S. Mercer, A. A. Denny and other Seattle pioneers. He settled first at Corvallis, Oregon, but in 1858 came to this city, then a log cabin settlement. He lived for a time on the northeast corner of Second Avenue and James Street, where the Smith Block has stood for a dozen years. He was the architect of the old University building, now the public library.

Pike moved away from Seattle fully thirty years ago. He was a mechanic and builder by trade, and always made



MRS. JOHN PIKE

a good living, but acquired no fortune and died in moderate circumstances. An interesting feature in connection with his Seattle residence is that in company with his son Harvey he began the first canal between Lakes Union and Washington. They did much excavating on the low neck of land now designated as the portage.

After leaving Seattle Pike went to Tacoma, and from that point he passed on successively to Astoria, Oregon, to Point Roberts, Washington, and then to Orcas Island. His wife, Helen Pike, died at Ilwaco seven years ago. His elder son, Harvey L. Pike, died at Providence Hospital about six years ago. A second son, Frank E. Pike, is now a painter in Blaine, this state.

Children of John Pike and wife 1:

Harvey L. Pike

b. 1842 New York

d. 23 May 1897 Providence Hospital, Seattle, King County, Washington

m. c1867

Mary Jane Caruthers

b. 1848 Canada

d. c1890 Pacific County, Washington

m2. 19 Sep 1891 Sealand, Pacific County, Washington

Mrs. Hannah L. Mitchell

b. Jul 1855 Ohio

d.

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1891: Harvey L. Pike m. Hannah L. Mitchell 19 Sep 1891 Sealand, Pacific County, Washington

1897: Washington Death Record #2768, Harvey L. Pike, d. May 23, 1897; 56yrs old, widower (sic), Providence Hospital, Mitro regurgitation, residence-Seattle

1899: Washington County Probate #3158 filed under Henry L. Pike listing heirs as L.D. Pike, over 21 residing at Roberts Point, Whatcom County, Washington; Mary D. Pike and George Pike, over 21 residing at Ilwaco, Pacific County, Washington and Edna Peterson, over 21, residing at Astoria, Oregon. Final papers give name as Harvey L. Pike

1900: Ilwaco, Pacific County, Washington, June 1, 1900; Hannah Pike, head, Jul 1855, 44, wid, 2-2, OH PA PA; Lee Mitchell, dau, Apr 1883, 17, s, KS OH OH, at school; Pearl Mitchell, dau, May 1886, 14, s, KS OH OH, at school

Children of Harvey Pike and Mary Caruthers:

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b. 1868 Oregon

d.

m. O. J. Peterson

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ii. Leonard D. Pike

b. 1871 Washington

d. Mar 1940 Samish Island, Skagit County, Washington

buried [Bow Cemetery](#), Bow, Skagit County, Washington

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### L. D. PIKE

L. D. Pike, 69 years old, a member of the family after whom Pike Street is named, died Friday of a heart attack at his home on Samish Island, near Mount Vernon. Funeral services will be held at 1 o'clock Tuesday afternoon at the Huibush Funeral Home in Burlington, Skagit County.

Mr. Pike was the grandson of John Pike, Seattle pioneer, who built by hand the columns of the first University of Washington building which was situated at what is now Metropolitan Center. The columns now stand on the University campus.

L. D. Pike's father, Harvey Pike, lived in Third Avenue and Pike Street, where L. D. Pike was born in 1871.

Mr. Pike is survived by his widow, Ella M.; a son, Leonard G. Pike; a daughter, Mrs. J. C. Hansen, both of Samish Island; five granddaughters and one great-granddaughter; a sister, Mrs. O. I. Peterson, Astoria, Or.; a half-brother, Will Wood, Salem, Or., and two half-sisters, Mrs. Kate McAllister, Washougal, Clark County, and Mrs. Edith Russell, Seal Rock, Or.

{Seattle Sunday Times, Seattle, Washington, March 24, 1940 p.31}

iii. George W. Pike

b. Dec 1876 Washington

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- iv. Mary D. Pike
- b. c1881
- d. aft 1899 bef 1910??

#### Children of John Pike and Hellen Lake

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b. 1862 Oregon

d. 1924

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