

Immigration & citizenship information

Nevy family

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Name on Ellis Island passenger record	Name on Declaration of Intention	Date of birth	Birthplace on Ellis Island passenger record	Birthplace on Declaration of Intention	Arrival in U.S. on Declaration of Intention	Arrival in U.S. on Ellis Island passenger record	Vessel	Declaration of Intention	Petition for Naturalization	Oath of Allegiance	Spouse as listed on Petition for Naturalization	Children as listed on Petition for Naturalization	Children additional
Henri Nevi* Listed as Enrico Nevi on Ralph Nevy's naturalization record. Later known as Henry Nevy		Born 1877. Died May 2, 1945 (from obituary)				6/14/1902 age 25 (NOTE: this may not be the correct record for Henry)	<i>Philadelphia</i> departing Southampton				First wife was Rose Cavasini. Second wife was Catherine (Caterina) Iasoni who died March 20, 1950 at age of 61 (from Henry's obituary)		Linda Vicini (by Henry's first wife, Rose Cavasini) Robert Nevy (by Henry's second wife, Catherine (Caterina Iasoni) Nevy
Davide Nevi. Later known as David Nevy	David Nevy	Born 8/16/1879 (listed on Declaration of Intention) Died March 24, 1963 (from obituary)	Berceto	Berceto, Italy	6/15/1901 Port of New York	6/23/1901 age 23 single	<i>La Bretagne</i> departing Havre, France. David wrote <i>La Britannia</i> on his Declaration of Intention	7/12/1909 Westmoreland County, PA age: 29 residence: Cokeville, PA occupation: merchant	2/17/1914 Cambria County, PA residence: Vintondale, PA occupation: merchant	8/5/1914	Mary Racasi age 28 born in Berceto, Italy residence: Vintondale, PA Died Aug. 23, 1968 (from obituary)	Gino (Eugene) born 8/16/1907 Emma born 2/18/1910	Alice Nevy McGuire
Louis Nevy (could not find any Ellis Island record for a Luis Nevi)	Luis Nevy **	Born 12/26/1880 (listed on Declaration of Intention) Born 12/22/1881. Died June 8, 1969 (from obituary)		Berceto, Italy	4/9/1904 Port of New York age 24		<i>La Touraine</i> departing Havre, France	7/12/1909 Greensburg, Westmoreland County, PA age: 28 residence: Cokeville, PA occupation: merchant	8/23/1915 Cambria County, PA residence: Vintondale, PA occupation: merchant witnesses: David Nevy (merchant) and Enri Nevy (driver)	1/3/1916	Etolina [SIC] should be Italina (Spagnoli). residence: Vintondale, PA Born December 25, 1888 in Borgo Taro, Italy. Died June 11, 1970 (from obituary)	Mario born 12/13/1910 in New York*** resides in Italy Ettorre [Edward] born 7/2/1913 in Colver, PA resides in Vintondale	

* Note: not sure if this is the record for the right Henri Nevi. No citizenship records were found.

** Couldn't find a Luis Nevy in Ellis Island records.

*** Richard Pioli questions whether Mario was born in New York.

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Carlo Nevi Later known as Charles Nevy	Carlo Nevy	8/30/1883 listed on Declaration of Intention 8/13/1883 listed on Teresina Nevy's Petition for Naturalization Died at 84, Oct. 9, 1968 (from obit.)		Bergotto,* Italy	12/31/1902 Port of New York age 19 7/19/1923 age 40		1902 <i>Champagne</i> departing Havre, France 1923 <i>Conte Rosso</i> departing Genoa, Italy	11/10/1921 Ebensburg, Cambria County, PA age: 38 residence: Vintondale, PA occupation: merchant	7/30/1928 Cambria County, PA residence: Viintondale, PA witnesses: Palmina Pioli (housekeeper), Louis Nevy (merchant)	12/4/1928	Teresina (Grassi). Born 9/18/1899 Bergotto, Italy residence: Vintondale, PA Later known as Theresa Nevy.	Elma [should be Alma] (Alma Nevy Bellucci) born 1/23/1925 Johnstown PA residence: Vintondale, PA	Anita Nevy Karwacki Dolores Nevy McMullen
Raffael Nevi Later known as Ralph Nevy	Ralph Nevy**	4/10/1889 Listed on Declaration of Intention and baptismal record	1906 Paris (last place of residence) 1913 Berceto, Italy (last place of residence)	Parma, Italy	5/6/1906 Port of New York 5/17/1913 Port of New York (Ellis Island record)	1906 age 18 single 1913 age 25 single	1906 <i>La Lorraine</i> departing Havre, France 1913 <i>La Provence</i> departing Le Havre	12/16/1915 Cambria County, PA age 26 residence: Vintondale, PA occupation: merchant	May 26, 1920 Circuit Court of Allegany County, Cumberland, Maryland Residence: 30 Lamont St., Cumberland, MD Occupation: merchant	Sept. 27, 1920 Circuit Court of Allegany County, Cumberland, Maryland	Erminia Nevy. As Ralph's wife, she became a U.S. citizen when he naturalized.	Inis [SIC] Should be Inez. Born June 16, 1917 Aldo, born Feb. 29, 1919	Viola Nevy Orsinger Mary Florence Nevy Lander Gloria Nevy
Catherina Nevi [SIC] should be Caterina Nevi		1852 deduced from age on arrival in 1913	Berceto, Parma, Italy			11/15/1913 age 61 widow	<i>St. Louis</i> departing Southampton				Antonio Nevi (info from other sources). Antonio and Caterina were the parents of the Nevy children listed in this doc.		Henry, David, Louis, Charles, Mary, Ralph, Pauline (Palmina)

*Bergotto is a *frazione* (village) of the *comune* (municipality) of Berceto, which is in the province of Parma, Italy.

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Maria Nevy Mary Nevy		1885 deduced from age on arrival in 1913	Parma, Berceto, Italy			11/15/1913 age 28 married	<i>St. Louis</i> departing Southampton				John Avalli was Mary’s husband and she would have beome a U.S. citizen when and if he naturalized.	Geno Avalli, Robert Avalli, Irene Avalli Lesanti, Inez Avalli Cornetti, all born in Vintondale or Johnstown	
Palmira Nevi [SIC] should be Palmina Nevi Later known as Pauline Pioli		1896 deduced from age on arrival in 1913	Berceto, Parma, Italy			11/15/1913 age 17 single	<i>St. Louis</i> departing Southampton				Frank Pioli was Palmina’s husband and she would have become a U.S. citizen when and if he naturalized.	Alfred Pioli Richard Pioli	
Italina Nevi Later known as Italina Nevy		Italina Spagnoli was born December 25, 1888 in Borgo Taro, Italy Died June 11, 1970, age 81 (from obit.)	Bernto (should be Berceto), Parma, Italy ****			3/6/1910 age 23 married	<i>La Lorraine</i> departing Le Havre				Louis Nevy was Italina’s husband and she would have become a U.S. citizen when and if he naturalized.	Mario Nevy Edward Nevy	

Name on Certificate of Arrival, Bureau of Naturalization	Name on Petition for Citizenship	Date of birth on Petition for Citizenship	Birthplace on Petition for Citizenship	Arrival in U.S. on Certificate of Arrival, Bureau of Naturalization	Vessel	Petition for Citizenship	Oath of Allegiance	Spouse as listed on Petition for Citizenship	Children as listed on Petition for Citizenship	Children additional
Teresina Nevi Grassi	Theresa Nevy	9/18/1899	Bergotto, Italy	7/19/1923 Port of New York age 24	<i>Conte Rosso</i> departing Genoa, Italy	2/25/???? year is not filled in Cambria County, PA residence: Vintondale, PA occupation: housekeeper witnesses: Frank Pioli (merchant), John Avalli (miner)	6/7/1932 (but document says she was naturalized in 1928)	Carlo born 8/13/1883 Bergotto, Italy Carlo was later known as Charles Nevý.	Alma born 1/23/1925 Anita born 7/1/1929 residence: Vintondale, PA	Dolores (McMullin)

During the years the Nevý family was immigrating to the United States, naturalization (becoming an American citizen) was a two-step process. First, the immigrant had to file a declaration of intention, often called “first papers,” to become a citizen. Then, after a two to seven year period, the petition for naturalization could be filed and approved and the immigrant was granted citizenship upon taking the Oath of Allegiance. After 1941, a declaration of intention was no longer necessary. Compared to other ethnic groups, Italian immigrants had one of the lowest percentages of naturalization. However, the percentage of Italians filing the declaration of intention was one of the highest.¹

Declarations of Intention and Oaths of Allegiance for the Nevý family were found in the Cambria County courthouse in Ebensburg, Pennsylvania. (Vintondale, Colver and Cokeville are all located in that county.) Ralph Nevý’s naturalization record was found at the Allegany County Courthouse in Cumberland, Maryland. By law, his wife Erminia became a U.S. citizen upon his naturalization.

All documents reflect that members of the family, in their petitions and oaths, renounced forever all allegiance and fidelity to Victor Emmanuel III, King of Italy.

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