

Appendix D:

Gino Ullian: Letter from Anthony S. Ullian – 1999

*[Letter is not dated, but based on Romey's death on 24 Nov 1998,
and Gino's statement that "Romey died this past January"
we believe that this was sent in 1999]*

Hi;

This is a letter I received from our first cousin Tony Ullian who lives in Oregon. His address is as follows;

A. S. Ullian

2883 Williams Hwy.

Grants Pass, Oregon 97527

He goes by Tony instead of Anthony. His wife's name is Alma. They made saddles for a lot of Hollywood stars.

His brother Romy died this past January. Hope all is well at your house.

Love, Gino & Clara.



John Ullian
2883 William Mt.
Grants Pass, Oregon
97527

Dear Gene & Clara

There is very little left of what I once was, and writing letters is becoming more and more difficult. In fact everything has become a hardship. My memory is bad in parts of my life. Example, Alma tells me you and Clara visited us and I don't have a bit of memory of this, but I still remember when I was working with your father, in his gardening days.

I can remember way back to Iowa days when I first became conscious of the world around me. Your father was a member of our family for many years, moving with us wherever we move to. I wonder if you ever knew this that our name which is really Ullian became Ullian because of the way your father signed his name. In all the years of my life I've never seen or heard of any other person outside of our family with the name Ullian. I also think that way way back, Ullian came from Julian.

I reread your last letter, sorry about your fire and glad to hear about all your children - you have a reason to be proud. I've often wish that we had lived closer when I hear about the good people. There does not seem to be many people, decent people, in our world today.

My mind does not function the way it use to after the spells I had a number of years ago - so you might find this letter odd. The years has also taken its toll. From the year 1906 many years has passed. I miss corresponding with the few old friends like I use to, I use to be able to write a 3 page letter - both side in a very short time - not anymore. I'd like to hear from you.

The Best to you and Clara.

Gino, did you in your years ever have any contact - any, corresponding with the relations in Italy? I now wish I had, but I was too busy making a living.

I guess I was wrong about the spelling change of Ullian, - I must have been my father by what is on his army paper - of my Dad for serving in Italy

Look at the botton part where he signed his name

And Gino I just can't believe that some body could do the beautiful work that is on this army paper - I must have been an Italian artist.

I hope you will make some sense of this letter - also. write me.

Mod. n° 80,
§ 225 del Regolamento sul Reclutamento.
N. 34 del Casal. (R. 1899).

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Categoria 1^a (2)
 Classe di leva 1877 (3)
 Anno di nascita 1874

Corpo cui fu trasferito all'atto del
 congedamento (4) 6^a Alpini
Magazzino Vicenza

REGIO ESERCITO ITALIANO

(1) **6^o REGGIMENTO ALPINI**

F **FOGLIO DI CONGEDO ILLIMITATO**

per (5) fine di ferma
 che si rilascia a (6) Ullian Valentino
Soldato (62^a Compagnia)
 N° di matricola (7) 10232 (62) il quale prende
 domicilio nel Comune di Fara
 Mandamento di Marostica Distretto
 militare di Vicenza

(8) durante il tempo passato sotto le armi ha tenuto
buona condotta ed ha servito con fedeltà ed onore

A Verona addì 14 Settembre 1904
 Colonnello

Firma del Titolare (9) Ullian Valentino Il Comandante del Corpo

Con di Fara Vicentina

SINDACO

Valentino Ullian's [Romano Valentino Ullian] Italian Army Discharge Certificate