Son of William and Charity Dempsey, according to his WWI draft registration Mrs. William Somers would always know where he was.

Husband of Jennie Lomberg Dempsey.

3 Mar 1959 Reno Evening Gazette Boom Pioneer Dies In Nye

"Tonopah- Funeral services were held Friday in the Logan Funeral Home for Ira E. Dempsey, 85, a Goldfield-Tonopah pioneer who died after about five years of medical care in the Nye General Hospital. Mr. Dempsey arrived in Goldfield about 1903, and began his Nevada career as a plumber by installing the original plumbing in the famous Goldfield Hotel. He moved to Tonopah in 1918 and worked as a plumber or bartender.

He was secretary and business manager of the local Bartenders and Culinary Workers Union for more than 10 years until his retirement in 1954.

Burial was in the Eagles Section of the Tonopah Cemetery."