His early life was spent on the east coast, moving to Nevada with his family seven years ago, he was engaged in mining with his father, Arthur H. Oswald, they operated a quicksilver property near Cedar Corral. When the bombing range opened it forced the discontinuation of mine operations there and the family moved to Tonopah. Once there Hayworth went to work for the Army Air Base as a carpenter, which he was employed at the time of his death.

He died at the Nye County Hospital after a brief illness of pneumonia. Survived by his parents of Tonopah and other relatives in the east.