

SHAMBAUGH FAMILIES NEWS - LETTER

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Flavius A. Leightey - Cleo Gerwin - Margaret B. May

Items from our Christmas mail box --

Margaret B. May, R. #1, Lafayette, Ind. 47906 - Another year is almost gone. It doesn't seem that I have accomplished much towards genealogy. Do you know the particulars on what is being done towards the Shambaugh foundation? If one know what has already been done and carry on from there, then there wouldn't be all this extra work.

In trying to get a family book out, I want pictures of the second generation. Surely, there were some. Especially would like one of George the second. I hope Cleo Gerwin improves in health. She has so very much material. Slowly with trying to get my material, I am getting some response from letter writing. Maybe we can eventually come up with something. There seems to be some conservatism of the George Shambaugh on our line of ever being called Shamback. I was rather disappointed in learning this. Therefore, most of my conclusions must date back to what my ancestors have written. Perhaps that is all genealogy amounts to. Discussion and disagree.

I wrote a Shambaugh in Mo. and have moved, an address was impossible for me to obtain. The search here at Purdue and other libraries are bringing me the conclusion that we are really not German and surely not French. In going back to 47 A.B. tells the story of the Palatine in the Crusade and coming out of Palestine. If I can ever get this down in book form as I want it, I think it will be interesting to leave the grandchildren.

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Mrs. M. Floy Shambaugh, Space 50, 1250 N. State College Blvd., Anaheim, Calif. 92806 - I am glad you had such a nice reunion in September in Iowa. I would liked to have been there but it was not possible. I made a trip to Nebraska last March for the wedding of my great niece, Murial Spencer to Adrian Lindsay. She is the granddaughter of G.C. Shambaugh.

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A nice Christmas letter from cousin Katherine Trussell and Elsie Brehm of 4709 Walker Ave., Houston, Texas 77023 telling of thier 1970 short trips, visits, and home work, including the following - These visits wxpand our rather narrow outlook on life, circumscribed as it is by home and office. These two can really demand lots of attention though. My company, which owned 15 super-markets, when I started to work for them 28 years ago, now own nearly 100 stores. The pressure on the grocery buying office, where I work, gets pretty terrific sometimes. Elsie works for the Mack Truck, whose head office is in New Jersey. Nevertheless, we both shy off the idea of setting a retirement date. Probably, we'll keep on going until, like the famous one-horse shay, we go to pieces all at once. Well, I'd rather do that than rust out.

The high spot of the year, of course, was the vacation trip, which followed the Mississippi River very closely from Memphis to keokuk, Iowa. From there we took the Des Moines River as our guide all the way to D.M., where my Mother's people the Shambaughs, were preparing for the National Reunion. This was a remarkably successful affair, planned and executed by Dr. Gordon and Frances Shambaugh of Des Moines and Dorothy Hansen and husband John R. of Winterset. If I remember rightly, 15 states were represented. Good weather, congenial crowd, superb food, pleasant surroundings (open house at Gordon's on Saturday, reception at Dorothy's on Sunday) all conspired to make this a memorable occasion. And it was such a treat, meeting so many old friends once more.

Following this, we drove to Princeton, Ill., where we visited another dear friend, a little 90 year old lady, who had been my Mother's room-mate in college. She lives and entertains in the big two story house that her parents had built. Beautifully cared for, it formed a perfect background for the gracious hospitality dispensed by its mistress. We came away from there with another very pleasant memory.

Headed for home, we enjoyed some Illinois river drives, and then the Missouri, Arkansas and Oklahoma Ozarks, which covered more territory than I had realized before. Our last visit was with the cousins in Lufkin. Truly, our vacation covered many points, scenic drives, historic towns and housed, family visits in lovely homes and even some antique shopping. What more could anyone wish for?

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Betty S. and Donald Schmuck, R.#1, Wharton, Ohio 43359 - We bought a 19 foot Globester Trailer this summer so I'm working on Don for our Georgia reunion. Hal

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Emily and Jack Briscoe, R.#1, Box 237, Bremen, Ga. 30110 - (Ed. - I don't have any more space 2 put all your changes of address, so I hope you stay put this time.) Here it is Christmas once again and I'm sondering if ole Santa will be able to find me. I'll bet he thinks we move more than anyone else in the whole world. We are getting settled now but are living in a Trailer presently. Our farm we love but this has been a hectic year for us trying to take care of two places and nearly 30 miles between them. Glad that is in the past.

Mary Alice Dantzler, 1407 McFarland Ave., Rossville, Ga., 30741 - Just a very hurried note to say that all of our Clan are well and plan to be to-gather for Christmas. There will be 36 of us including Aunt Cleo. Nona Grapes has called again and she will be joint hostess with us for the Reunion.

Flossie Shambaugh Smith, 523-49th Ave. W., Fair Lane Acres, Bradenton, Fla. 33505 Sorry I missed the reunion. Spent the summer with Harry Jr. and family at Huntington Beach, Calif. I saw my great granddaughter, Jessica Lynn Smith. The weather is nice here.

Mrs. Natalie Shambaugh, 2143 Elliott St., Toledo, Ohio 46140 - Think of you every time I receive a News Letter and hope someday to go to a reunion. I am feeling wonderful. Wishing you and yours good luck, good health, and good friends and may God bless you.

Mitzie and Carl Hendrix, 1708 Weber Ave., Orlando, Fla. 32803 - Sure hope Christmas is a happy one for both of you this year. Enjoy hearing from you so much. If you come back this way be sure to stop and visit again.

Lileth and Kermit Whan, R#1, Avilla, Ind. 46710 (Feb. 22)
Our grandsons Jerry and Jay are both playing on basketball teams. When you live in the country that makes lots of trips into town. Our son Paul has a snowmobile and he and his family have had lots of fun. Sounds like they might have some more, radio says up to three inches by morning.

Perlman and Grace Scotten, Box 245, Port Salerno, Fla. 33492 (Feb. 17)
Come on down and share some of our nice weather. It's a beautiful sunny A.M., 72 degrees, but we have had some in the low 30's.
Our reunion was not very well attended last fall. We had it early so the girls could get away to college in Tallahassee. Sue and Toy Thomas are both there this year. Sue in 3rd year, Toy in 1st. Part of the family had other plans, but we had a grand time. We held it at Jonathan Dickinson State Park, which is about half way between Stuart and West Palm Beach, fronting from US1 to Intercoastal Waterway. One can have swimming, boating, canoeing, ball park etc., and lots of natural wooded trails. During the war it was an army camp, Camp Murphy. It is very pretty and wild.
Sure sorry we missed the reunion last Sept. We are really going to try to come to Rossville.

Our youngest daughter and her husband, Jim and Mae Keller and their children Eric and Kimberly are trying to talk us into going to Colorado with them in August. So far we are undecided. So we may see you all. (Ed. Hi! P.J., the reunion will B a lot closer. Hope 2 C U there with all the other Shambaughs.)

Mrs. Mary Kimmel, Box 54, New Rumley, Ohio 43984
My mother-in-law, Mrs. Pollie (Georgianna Miller) Kimmel, 91 died Dec. 24, 1970 at the Sunnyslope Retirement Home in Bowerston, Ohio where she had been a patient for 5 years.

Born January 13, 1879, in Rumley Township, Harrison County, she was the daughter of Carter C. and Catherine Shambaugh Miller. Her husband, John died in 1949.
A member of the New Rumley Methodist Church, she is survived by two daughters-in-law, Mrs. Mary Kimmel and Mrs. Gladys Kimmel of New Rumley, and several nieces and nephews. Two sons, Harold and Sammy preceded her in death.

Funeral services were held at the Telfer Funeral Home in Jewett, with Rev. Albert Oakes officiating. Burial was in the Methodist Cemetery in New Rumley.

Mrs. Pearl Marie (Trautwein) Ulrich, 68, of Upper Sandusky, Ohio died suddenly of a heart attack in Scottsdale, Ariz. Jan 10, 1971 where she and her husband, councilman Earl G. Ulrich, were on vacation in the Southwest.

Born Feb. 3, 1902 to Charles and Mary (Shambaugh) Trautwein, and married June 16, 1927 to Earl G. Ulrich, who survives, also a son Gary of Ann Arbor, Mich. and two brothers, Arthur and Burton Trautwein of Upper Sandusky. Two sisters and two brothers preceded her in death.

Services were held in the Bringman and Co. Funeral Home with Rev. John Hoover, of the Trinity United Methodist Church officiating. Interment in Oak Hill Cemetery.

Mrs. Eleanor Shawver, R#2, Scio, Ohio 43988

My husband John Shawver, suffered for several years with Rheumatoid Arthritis, suddenly became worse on Nov. 11, was taken to Timkins Mercy Hospital, and passed away on Nov. 15, 1970.

Born July 23, 1912, son of George and Wilda Shawver. On July 11, 1936 he was united in marriage to Eleanor Dosson. Surviving with the wife are a son George of Cardinton, and a daughter Vodean in Scio. Also four grandchildren.

Services were held in the Purviance Funeral Home with Rev. Scott Gearge officiating. Burial in Grandview Cemetery, Scio.

Mr. Shawver worked at the Scio Pottery Plant for a good many years.

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Mrs. E.E. (Pearl) Shambaugh, 210¹/₂ E. Summit St., Greenville, Mich. 48838
Andrew J. Frederick Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew J. Frederick Sr. and grandson of Mrs. Pearl Shambaugh and the late Edward E. Shambaugh of Greenville, Michigan, has been accepted as an Exchange Student and will go to Australia the last of July for a year.

My family are all fine and busy. Both families have snowmobiles and sure enjoy them. We had a real nice Christmas, my family and I were together.

Change of address - J. Ellsworth Shambaugh, from 221 N. Drake St. - to, 215 N. Drake St., Titusville, Pennsylvania 16354

A daughter, Dayna Evette, born Nov. 15, 1970 to Mr. and Mrs. Wayne E. Leightey, near Upper Sandusky, Ohio. Your editor and wife now have eleven grandchildren.

Mrs. Alma Ehrle, (the wine lady) Homestead, Iowa 52236
Will try and find out more about the early Shambaughs that lived here in the Amana Colonies. (Ed. Thanks Alma for your efforts and kindness.)

Mrs. M. Opal Fore, 1412-41st St., Des Moines, Iowa 50311
It is true we are all confused at-times. At one time I thought we were related to Count Rochambeau, but learned since that we are descendants of Lt. Colonel Shambaugh. We are no relation to the Count, I have also seen his statue in Washington.

Roscoe G. Shambaugh, 1330 St. Joe River Dr., Ft. Wayne, Ind. 46805
We recieved the Shambaugh News Letter just before we left for Florida for the winter. This Christmas was the first time for several years that our families were altogether. I have not seen Flossie Shambaugh Smith as yet but will go and see her one of these days.
We are out on Anna Maria Island and our address is 3716 Gulf Drive, Holmes Beach, Florida 33510. We will be here till the 1st of May.

Ben F. Shambaugh, 220 W. 4th St. Ottawa, Kan. 66067
My son, Cloy Edward Shambaugh passed away early morning of January 12, 1971 at the Lawrence Memorial Hospital, Lawrence Kansas. Burial was in the Princeton Cemetery at Princeton, Kansas. He was a little over 53 years of age.
Dr. Ben Shambaugh Jr. formerly at Burlington, Kansas moved to Longmont, Colorado in 1956. His address is 1421 Sanborn Place, Longmont, Colorado 80501
Dr. Ben's oldest daughter, Linda Kay, married James McBride of Comanche, Okla. They have a son born Dec. 11, 1970 named Michell Lynn. Dr. Ben's youngest daughter, Joyce Ann, is attending Colorado Univ. at Boulder, Colorado.

Mrs. Anna Cogsil of R#2, Perrysville, Ohio, (Lamartine, Ohio) 43988 - visited with relatives and friends in Upper Sandusky and Melinta the last part of January.
Your editor and wife with Howard and Dorothy Leightey of Upper Sandusky, O., drove to New Philadelphia, Ohio to see Anna at the Valley Manor Nursing Home. Found her up, sitting in a chair, and wanting to go home, maybe soon.
We also enjoyed a call on Rev. and Mrs. (Ida) Thomas Thompson, also in New Phila.

Mrs. Lillie B. Adkins, 7201 Tippecanoe Ave., San Bernardino, Calif. 92404 (Dec. 31, 71)
I have enjoyed the letters so much. Also the booklet with the Shambaugh information. I wondered when the first Shambaughs came to this country. I know that at one time in 1938 Ira Shambaugh, from Clarinda, Iowa, told Aunt Mrs. Lena Brunk Pettit and I that there was a grandfather by the name of Barrett that fought in the War of 1812. There were four brothers. If any one wants information from the archives, you have to know what state they were from. To fill out the blanks they send to you. I wish that someone, if they know this information, would send it to me. The younger generations would not have so much difficulty belonging to the Daughters of The American Revolution.

My branch of the Shambaugh Line:

My grand-mother, Margaret Shambaugh Brunk, was the daughter of Philip Shambaugh and Elizabeth Ramsey. Her mother died when she was an infant. She was raised by her grandparents, Thomas Ramsey. She had two older sisters, Mary Ellen Shambaugh that married Tom Koehlar and lived at Lebanon, Kansas. The other sister Jane, I don't know her married name. Then my grandmother had some half sisters and a brother, James Shambaugh.

My grandmothers children were; Lula Brunk, died when infant, Henry Brunk (my father) married Ella Hughes; Fernina Ann Brunk married Loyd Miller; Charles Brunk married Lillie Wilcox; John Brunk married Louella Jorn (?); Phillip Brunk married Jane Steavens; Lena Pettit, the youngest daughter and the only one living, has kept up with the family tree.

Shambaugh, Ben

Barrett

Mrs. Lillie E. Adkins Continued;

Fernina's living children are; Floyd Miller, Creta Hooper, Margaret Jeffery, Lavina Chambers, and Ophia Moller. Two sons Claude and Bryce died in infancy. The oldest daughter Ophia Moller, died 1928. Her son Everett Moller died in World War II in France. Creta Hooper has four children; Betty Stowwig, Darline, (I don't know her married name) Robert and Richard Hooper live at Glendale, Calif.

Margaret had two children; Edgar Paul and Tressa, I don't know her married name. Lavina has four children; Deloris, Donald, Loyd and Delbert. I don't know the married name for Deloris.

Henry Brunk and Ella Hughes, my parents, three children; Lillie Brunk married James Adkins; Alfred Elmer Brunk married Doris Ryant; Ruth Brunk married George Anthony. Four sons, Gerald in the Viet Nam War, Dale in Oregon, Keith in Texas, and Gary in Kansas.

Charles Brunk, one daughter Nola Brunk

John Brunk, four children, John Elwin, Mildred, Howard, and Janette. I don't know all their married names.

Phillip Shambaugh Brunk, the youngest son of Margaret and Peter Brunk has only one daughter living, Joyce Brunk married Irwin Stevens, Brokenbow, Nebraska.

My grandmother, Margaret Shambaugh married Peter Brunk March 1st, 1872. Peter Brunk served in the Indiana Volunteers in the Civil War.

Mrs. Ruth Watkins, Pinhook Farm, R#2, Clarinda, Iowa 50632

I'm enclosing the news of my Mother's death and think you will be interested in knowing that she passed away exactly 20 years after my father, at the same age of 89¹/₂. (They were married when Mother was 35 and Father was 55) I was born six years later and they had 35 happy years together. Many more than they had estimated! The Shambaughs are a hardy race!

My husband Robert and I and our seven children (5 girls and 2 boys, from 2 to 22 years) have moved back to the James Shambaugh farm, (Ira's father) where the first grist mill (a water mill) was established in 1860. This is the farm I've loved to visit since I was a little girl.

My husband is an art director. We've lived on both coasts for 25 years (L.A., Conn., San Francisco) but he is also a fine artist and we've planned this move for many years to give him time to paint. I also do childrens portraits and have done articles and cartoons for national magazines and hope now to finally find time to write a book about my Mother's childhood and her later years in developing the 4-H Club and her still later years of life with Ira Shambaugh. (Perhaps the best chapter of all!)

Jessie Field Shambaugh, daughter of Solomon and Celestia Eastman Field, was born June 26, 1881 at Shenandoah. She received her education at Shenandoah and Tabor College, with a B.A. Degree in 1903. While attending college she began teaching in the county's rural schools, at Goldenrod near Essex planting the seeds of interest for her agricultural program among the youth. After graduation she taught at Antigo, Wisconsin, Shenandoah, and Helena, Montana. She was superintendent of schools for Page County from 1906 to 1913. It was at this time that the seeds of 4-H began to prosper. For four years she worked as secretary for establishing rural work for the YWCA. (See N-L #58 Sept.-Oct. 1958)

She was married to Ira Shambaugh June 9, 1917 in Redlands, California. Mr. Shambaugh passed away in June of 1951.

She was a member of the Westminster United Presbyterian Church, P.E.O., DAR, and the Clarinda Garden Club.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, two brothers and three sisters.

She is survived by one daughter, Mrs. Robert (Ruth) Watkins of Clarinda, one son, W.H. Shambaugh of Des Moines, one sister, Mrs. M. H. Diftmier of Shenandoah and eleven grandchildren.

Mrs. Shambaugh died Jan. 15, 1971 with services held at the Westminster United Presbyterian Church, with the Rev. D.C. Davis officiating. Burial in the Clarinda Cemetery.

Mrs. Thurmis Wager, 248 N. Henry St., Gary, Ind. 46403

Thought of you folks all during the day of the S.I. Reunion. How I would loved to have been there. You must have had a wonderful time. Surely enjoyed seeing you all again at Avilla in August.

I thought the meeting place was ideal. I went there to school in 1910 for a few weeks, when my mother was ill and we were staying in the area with my uncle. They lived about 5 miles from Lilith Whan's grandparents place. I had always lived in town and that long walk to school proved to be too much for me so I did my school work at home.

Aunt Pearl Shambaugh and myself keep up a steady correspondence which I took over after my Mom passed away. I know how lonely she is because I've been alone 11¹/₂ years and I have no family, but her children go to see her often, take her shopping and to church which is a big help. This will be a sad Christmas for Margaret Weaver after having lost her last surviving son in July.

Her's wishing you all Happy Holidays and may God bless you in the New Year.