

## SHAMBAUGH FAMILIES NEWS - LETTER

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Memos from Shambaugh International to Shambaugh Families news - letter

by Dr. Gordon and Frances Shambaugh, 1216 - 41st. St. Des Moines, Iowa 50311

Shambaugh hospitality was at its peak in Rossville, Ga. when relatives and friends were received at P. Guy Shambaugh's pleasant home for the annual Shambaugh Families National Reunion. Every one was deeply appreciative of the supreme effort he made to welcome us. The thoughtful arrangements, the delicious food, the gracious spirit extended by the Rossville families, were a special tribute to this grand old gentleman we honored that day. Because of him, the bonds of Shambaugh family loyalty grew stronger for all of us.

We have urged you to search for your relatives as you travel in your own or the neighboring states. Since last March we have discovered some most interesting new relatives (and friends). Briefly we visited:

The Samuel Baker family, R.5, Plymouth, Ind. Found them living in pleasant retirement in their farm home east of town. Edna was an inspiration. Here is a woman that is a granddaughter of a Shambaugh with more interest in her ancestry and the future of Shambaughs, than many men and women carrying that good name.

A short pause in Ft. Wayne, Ind. was most rewarding. Found Att. Willard Shambaugh at 305 Lincoln Bank Tower Bldg. He was most Gracious during the short interlude between his appointments. Here is one that has given of himself to his fellow citizens.

In a few minutes I was comfortably seated in the pleasant home of Mr and Mrs Max P. Shambaugh, "fly man". HOpe he and his family will fly into Iowa one day. They live at 3332 Sanibel Drive in Ft. Wayne, Ind.

In June, Russell C. and Selma Shambaugh of Lufkin, Texas opened the door of welcome. These people are great "brain stormers". Had a splendid two hour session with them.

Left Lufkin about eleven and arrived in Houston, Texas at two in the morning. It was just like getting home when one arrived at 4709 Walker Ave. Katherine Trussell and Elsie Brehm had left the door unlocked. Hard to beat that for a welcome. Look these people up the next time you are in Houston. They are hosts extra-ordinary.

Had a delicious brunch with Mrs Scott Shambaugh, 2727 Briarhurst, Apt. 11, Houston, Texas the next morning. Try to meet this charmer. You will be richer having known her.

Before leaving Fort Sam Houston, phoned John S. and Ellen Shambaugh, 410 Troy Dr. Corpus Cristie, Texas. John is active with the Humble Oil Co. and Ellen is busy rearing three nice little girls.

A few days later had coffee with I. L. Shambaugh, 1523 N. Tyler, Topeka, Kansas. Little did we realize that morning that his son, Lieut. Dale, would be killed in Viet Nam. There is great sadness in that home.

You have a pleasant experience waiting for you upon approaching Holton, Kansas. it is here that you can find Cloyd D. and Bernice Shambaugh. The golden glow of the Kansas sunflower really beams out hospitality from their front porch.

Found an enthusiastic booster and a student of Shambaugh history in Mrs L. E. Lee-128 1/2 Oak St. Bonner Springs, Kan. Drop her a note, you will find her interesting.

Visited an older this summer in the home of Elmer H. and Wilma Overholt Meyer of Stanwood, Iowa. She was Mrs Susie Miller Overholt. The Overholts are cousins from Ohio. Miss Frances Overholt of New York City spent her vacation this summer visiting in the Meyer home.

Mrs. N. Opal Fore of 1412 - 41st. St. Des Moines, Iowa remains active in mental health work in Iowa. Shambaugh International has been fortunate in having her as one of the counsellors during the past year.

Miss Gorda Shambaugh of DesMoines spent an enjoyable seventy days in Europe this summer, but did not meet any Shambaughs. This fall she returned to the University of Iowa. Gorda is the daughter of Dr. Gordon and Frances Shambaugh.

William H. and Ella Walton Shambaugh of 1246 - 46th. St. Des Moines, Spent a happy holiday with their family this summer in Colorado. William J. their oldest son, is taking his second years work at Nebraska Wesleyan College in Lincoln, Nebr.

Frederick W. and Yvonne Conard Meyer of Winterset, Iowa are making contributions to the community of Madison Co. Fred spends part of his time with a beautiful Super Value store. Yvonne gives part of her day light hours to the art of painting.

Talked to Philip H. and Audrey Shaeffer Shambaugh the other night at 5512 Tuxedo Terrace, Hollywood, Calif. 90028. They have two daughtersm Arzelle and Bonita. Philip has been doing some work with the Rotarians. Hope you California Shambaughs will meet these former Iowans one day.

Alvin and Dorthy (S) Meyer have been busy the last three months getting our first Iowa produced motion picture on camera. The leading lady, Jennifer Lee, arrived in Des Moines

Two members of the 4/20 Club that live near Des Moines celebrated birthdays. Mrs. Carrie Newlon Shambaugh of Winterset, Iowa held court with many of her children flying into central Iowa for the occasion. She was 90 years of age on March 4, 1965.

My mother, Mrs. Barbara Ireland Shambaugh of Boonville, Iowa was 87 years young on August 8, 1965. She would like to mount clippings that we hope to receive this coming year concerning the Shambaughs in the Americas. This clipping service for Shambaughs International could very well be an important news gathering medium. Just clip the news event written in your local papers and mail them to 1216 41st, Des Moines, Iowa. This material may then be used by the editors of the News - Letter.

In August, we were delighted to find Mrs. Andrew S. (Tressa) of Oakley, Ill. at our door. She is a lovely house guest and we wanted her to stay longer.

Enroute to Rossville, we visited Mrs. Mable Shambaugh and her son John P. Shambaugh living at 1262 E. Main St. Decatur, Ill. Shambaugh friendliness was extended to us. Mr. Harry L. Shambaugh was most hospitable when we visited him in one of Decatur's new nursing homes. We had a lovely talk with one of Illinois' fine pioneers.

We have had a wonderful year meeting these Shambaughs between reunions. We appreciate your fine support and the information sent in to Shambaughs International. Space permits only acknowledgement of the many fine letters received. The wonderful Rossville saga will be told to others. Plan to meet in Cadiz, Ohio next year. "The Shambaugh Crested Greeting cards are available again this year."

T. J. Shambaugh III, Oakley, Ill. operates a 770 acre farm in Macon Co. Ill. with only seasonal help.

Mr. Shambaugh has a smooth working setup based on one 21 foot diameter bin. It has a 5000 bushel capacity, and is equipped with a 7½ horsepower blower motor and a 1.5 million B T U burner, used in conjunction with four other 5000 bushel bins, drying his own wheat and corn. He handles his corn in 1500 bushel batches. Started in 1957.

Shambaugh has about 100 head of Angus beef cows which he thinks benefit from the drying setup too. He double-crops soft red winter wheat with sorghum-sudan hybrid. Taken in part from a clipping, with pictures of his setup, sent in by J.H. Shambaugh.

Mrs. Bertha Frank, Box 491, Redlands, Calif. 92374  
Last May I went into hospital for surgery, the Dr. advised me not to return to work, so I retired the last of June.

We had company from Ohio, three different times since. (Ed. Bertha is an Ohio girl and a cousin to your editor).

On Sept. 8th. my son Raymond's youngest boy, Tommie, had an operation for tonsils and adenoids also ear trouble, he is getting along fine now. The day Tommie was operated on, I was going into the hospital to see him, when I fell, hitting my right shoulder and eye, have had a lot of trouble with it, and only recently have I been able to sleep fairly good.

We have had lots of rain and floods, the two roads I always drove to and from work at the Norton Air Base were washed out. They had barricades up, but there were two persons that moved them and started through anyway, the one was rescued by helicopter, as he caught hold of a limb, the other was seen when he stepped out of his car, then he and the car both were washed away, the car was found later covered with mud and debris, but he has not been found yet. (Dec. 11).

Some places in San Bernadino, roads and bridges were washed out, twenty some cars were found and pulled out, some lost their lives, and homes were washed away also.

(Bertha, you have asked if we here in Upper Sandusky have had any tornados, no, not in this immediate area, the Indians have said that we would not have any really devastating storms around Upper, which has held true so far).

Fred and Beatrice Fortney 12428 Florida Ave. Tampa, Fla. 33612

We are now settled down here in Fla. (Dec. 6,) the weather and highways were good and the trees in Ky. and Tenn. were in their height of color. This is a very nice quiet trailer park and the neighbors are quite friendly.

Philip and Audrey Shambaugh 5512 Tuxedo Terrace, Hollywood, Calif. 90028

Enjoyed the N. L. very much. I am of the Van Meter, Iowa clan, and a cousin of Dr. Gordon I. G. Shambaugh (Ed. I am too). I am in the moving and storage business here in Los Angeles. Audrey and I are alone again. We have one granddaughter.

Dale and Gladys Shambaugh, 462½ So. Sandusky, Upper Sandusky, Ohio 43351

Supervisor Dale E. Shambaugh broke the all-time Lutheran Mutual Life Ins. Co. monthly sales record with his sales in Dec. which had stood since 1956. The Co. has exceeded \$1. billion of life insurance in force.

Dale is currently a member of the Companies Presidents Club All America, and is associated with the Carleton G. Case Agency of Marion, Ohio.

Dale is also President of the Kiwanis Club here in Upper. (Note- President Dale E. Shambaugh, of the United States, would sound very good too, Dale)

Mrs Harry (Cleo) Gervin Sr. Box 347, Gatlinburg, Tenn. 37735

My grandsons, Harry Allen III and Michael, with their mother Mitzie (Gervin) and her husband Carl Hendrix, of Orlando, Fla. were with me a few days just before Christmas, and we had a wonderful time together. The boys father, Harry Gervin Jr. died a few years ago.

I spent Christmas and the following week with my cousin Grace, Cleveland, Tenn.

Mrs Lewis (Mildred) Clark, 814 Montclair Ct. Cape Coral, Fla. 33904

Our son and family from Six Lakes, Mich. visited us during the Christmas holidays. We still spend the summers in Six Lakes. We wanted to attend the National Reunion, but didn't come down here until October.

Mildred Shambaugh, Box 103, Volga, Iowa 52077

Mrs Elma Ross of Arlington, near Volga, was ill for a time in Oct., I was with her for nearly ten days. Elma's sister, Mrs Bertha Knorr of N. C. was with her over Thanksgiving. I spent Thanksgiving with Frank Shambaugh's and their families, Mrs Stanley Yearous and family, Mrs John Frederick and family, also Mr and Mrs Lewis Stroeshel. had a very good dinner and visit.

My daughter Marie Setzler of Tiffin, O. drove the car for a friend and her husband out here the last of Aug. David Setzler, Marie's son is in training in Kessler A. F. B. in Beloxie, Miss.

Mrs Marcus (Irma) Lee, R 2, Jewett, Ohio 43986

We enjoy reading the N-L although there are very few I know. [Hope 200 in Cadiz.]

Mrs Virginia Peery Moss, 5717 Main St. Elkridge 27, Md.

I have been wanting to write to you for some time after reading in the N-L (#84 page 4) of a descendent of Peter Longacre marrying into the Shambaugh family. I am a descendant of this very interesting line, isn't the world small?

Mrs Moss asks: Have there been any interesting facts relative to our early ancestors come to light? (Note- Can any of our readers give Mrs Moss any light on recent research?).

Mrs Mary Kohler, Box 145, New Rumley, Ohio

I had my foot crushed the latter part of Aug. and had been quite ill for a time, but am feeling much better now.

Miss Katherine Trussell and Elsie Brehm, 4709 Walker Ave. Houston, Texas 77023

We've had such beautiful weather-that it didn't seem possible Christmas could be so near. Spring things have been blooming, like azalaes, and the grass had to be mowed (Dec. 17.)

From the Nat. reunion, we left for Gatlinburg on Tuesday morning, spending a few blissful days along the scenic trails and roads. In the town, we enjoyed the hand-craft items in the shops.

We visited Mrs Gervin one evening in her lovely home, going out for a delightful dinner. Before we left the Smokys, we returned to Mrs Gervin's and found the Thompsons there, so we had a grand time all around.

Madge Mundis, 210 Winn St. Alexandria, La. 71301

I fell in the kitchen about three months ago and broke my right wrist, so I can hardly write.

Frank and Ethel Seeley, 516-20th. St. S.E. Mason City, Iowa 50401

We are fine and as busy as ever. Guess we just can't retire. (We too, Ethel. Ed.)

Miss Junia Shambaugh, Apt. N-701, 1301 Delaware Ave. S. W. Washington D. C.

I had a quick trip to the Holy Land last fall, very impressive. Sorry we could not get to the reunion, but glad Harold Shambaugh and wife made it. Maybe next year we can make it. (Ed. Start packing that suit case right now, June, and label it for 1966 Nat. reunion. And that includes Clara too).

Mrs Maude L. Shambaugh, 128 O. St. Carlisle, Pa. 17013

My step son, James P. Shambaugh of N. Y. and his wife were here two weeks ago, the first time I have seen them in years. They have a new home now, near where they used to live. My daughter, Mrs Bruce Long lives next door to me, they have a new daughter, Tracey Ann, born Aug. 20, 1965.

I was a missionary in China, then later, the second wife of Rev. William Ira Shambaugh, who also was a missionary in China. He was the son of Levi J. Shambaugh.

Jesse Shambaugh, Otterbein Home, Lebanon, Ohio

I have been here at the Home now a year and a half and I like it real well. We are well cared for, and have a lot of privileges for our enjoyment. I have been well most of the time. Sorry I could not get to the reunion this time, I am extra sorry, because it was the last reunion for cousin Guy. Several of my close relatives from Wabash, Ind were there and said they had a great time.

Guy's death will be a definite loss to the Shambaugh Families.

Mrs Mary Lowry Shambach, 73, of 2315 Page St. Camp Hill, Pa. 17011, died Dec. 4, 1965. She was born Oct. 26, 1891 and married Jesse Y. Shambach. Services were held at Camp Hill Presbyterian Church with Rev. Spencer B. Smith officiating, and burial in Rolling Green Cemetery in Camp Hill.

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Rev. Harry & Ina Gleim, 1320 Carroll St., Boone Iowa, 50036  
Isn't it nice that there are certain times in the year, such as birthdays, anniversaries and the blessed Christmas season when we turn our thoughts to those who have been near and dear to us through the years.

It is still my good fortune to be able to serve my two excellent country churches. I am quite sure that I cannot give them as good sermons as I did in the years gone by, but I am trying to do my best.

As most of you know Ina is in the Health Center at Friendship Haven in Fort Dodge where she is receiving the very best of care. She seems to be well adjusted both to her surroundings and to the people who look after her welfare. This far, since her entry there on August 9, I have been able to make two trips a week to spend a couple of hours with her.

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P. J. Scotten, Box 245, Port Salerno, Fla. 33494  
We have a new granddaughter, born Dec. 14, 1965 to our daughter Joann and her husband Donald Hatfield, of West Palm Beach, Fla. The little Miss has been named Donna Joann after her parents. The Mother Joann is the granddaughter of Eva Shambaugh Scotten. The Hatfields have 2 other children, Allen 12 & Stephen 9.

Jan. 9 was our 40th wedding anniversary and our daughters held open house for us at the home of our eldest daughter Mrs. Dorothy Merchant at her home in Lake Park, Fla. There were about 60 friends and relatives attended and we had a wonderful time. God has truly blessed us in giving us a wonderful family and so many friends.

We are looking forward to a visit from my brother Warren Scotten and his wife Harriett the last part of March. They live in Wabash, Ind.

I went fishing today, did not have very good luck, only caught about 40lbs. of Blue fish.

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Rev. and Mrs Guy H. Kintz, 886 Central Ave. Richland Center, Wis. 53581

An item in his church bulletin for Christmas says: A man once, on a wager, stood on a London bridge for a whole day, trying to give away golden sovereigns, and only two persons would accept them. Equally foolish is the world in refusing The Greatest Of All Gifts....Gods Christmas Gift.... Jesus The Saviour.

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The question has been asked, where to get the Shambaugh Crest cards - write to Dr. G.I.G. Shambaugh, 1216 - 41st. St. Des Moines, Iowa 50311

your editor and wife wish to say: "Thanks So Very Much" to you N - L readers who remembered us with cards and letters at the Christmas Season.  
In all, we received around 95 cards and letters from our relatives and friends.

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Many of U have written that U would like 2 attend one of our National Shambaugh Reunions, so begin now 2 talk it over with your families and plan a trip 2 Cadiz, O. 4 the next Reunion, Sept. 4, 1966. That is only 7 months away.

U may want 2 start earlier, or stay longer and visit some of our Shambaughs along the way. If U would like a list of our N - L readers that live along your selected route 2 the reunion, write 2 me and I will B glad 2 supply the names and addresses, then U could write 2 them ahead of your schedule.

(My address in the return corner of your envelope).

Dora Ann Litzenberg, daughter of James and Julia Litzenberg and a granddaughter to Anna Cogsil of Perrysburg, (Lamertine) Ohio was home for a few days during the holiday season, from her studies at the Patricia Stevens College in Columbus, Ohio

NOTICE -- Don't forget to send in your news events, such as weddings, births, anniversaries, ancestral data, trips, deaths or any other Shambaugh events.

Also your dues for "Shambaugh International" to Dr. Gordon I G Shambaugh, DDS at 1216 - 41st. St. Des Moines, Iowa 50311

Mrs Edward J. (Mildred Shambaugh) Flewelling, 15458 Plainview, Detroit, Mich. 48223  
I am still trying to trace relatives. Three cheers for Shambaugh International.