

SHAMBAUGH FAMILIES NEWS - LETTER

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"Notes from our Christmas mail bag"

Mrs Mildred Shambaugh, Box 103, Volga, Iowa 52077  
was sorry not to be at the National Reunion this year, but glad my daughter Marie (Setzler) and her daughter Mary and her family were there.

A note from Ethel (Seeley) said they had been to see her brother Harry and Ina Gleim, neither are very well.

Went to Alma's (Ross) in Arlington, Iowa Nov. 22, for church service, and stayed a few days, She surely is well for her age. We were with Frank Shambaugh's for Thanksgiving Day.

Miss Junia Shambaugh, 3350 Chiswick Ct. Apt. 57-2B, Rossmore, Silver Spring, Md. (20906)  
Hope you'll have a very happy Season and a prosperous and equally Happy New Year.  
I'll try to do more to find some ancestors in 1968. (Thanks June, we'll keep 100- (king.)

Clark and Florence Bender, 1131 Oakmont Dr. Manor 40-7, Walnut Creek, Calif. 94529  
Christmas is always a pleasure for two reasons -- We receive Greetings and Letters from our many friends, -- old and new -- often the only word during the year, we do enjoy these annual Greetings. Then there are so many incidents that remind us of our dear Saviour, Jesus the Christ, whose birth we celebrate. May each of us pause long enough to pledge ourselves anew to accept Him as our Saviour.

Clark is still on crutches and in a wheel chair, getting along without a nurse, but God has been good and we have many things for which to be thankful.

Florence is still teaching, doing special work under the federal program, working with children in the 4th, 5th, and 6th, grades. Both of us busy in our church work.

Margaret and Kenneth May, R 1, Lafayette, Ind. 47906  
Another year has rolled around and don't they fly. I havn't made notes for a Shambaugh story yet. It is hard to think of interesting family stories for others to read.

Hope you and yours will have a Happy Christmas and a good year ahead. Our family will be together over the Holidays and is always a joyous time of the year.

Jesse Shambaugh, Otterbein Home, Lebanon, Ohio 45036  
I just got out of the hospital three days ago. I had a severe cold, sore throat, and a hard cough. Was in the hospital about three weeks. I don't feel to good yet but I am better off than a lot of the old folks here. My brother in California is very poorly. He and I are the only ones left in our family, and I will be 85 in about two weeks. My brother is nine years younger.

Mitzie and Carl Hendrix, and Allen and Michael Gervin, 1708 Weber St., Orlando, Fla., 32803  
Hope the Christmas Season and the whole New Year bring you much joy and good fortune and a wonderful New Year.

Madge Mundis, 210 Winn St., Alexandria, La., 71301  
I read the News Letter form cover to cover even tho I seldom see one name I know. Still I enjoy it. Do they make the Shambaugh Crest in Post Cards? I have my Mother's Crest. It's in colors and very beautiful. My health is pretty good and I do my work with the help of a boy on Saturdays. I will be 80 years old next June. We have had a beautiful fall. I picked a bowl of pink roses this morning.

Frank and Ethel Seeley, 516 - 20th S.E. Mason City, Iowa, 50401  
Can't tell you how very much we enjoyed our visit with you last summer even tho it was short. We only wished our trip could have come when we could have attended the Shambaugh Reunion. We have had that on our minds for so long. The News Letter tells us the reunion was well attended and we know what a wonderful time it must have been. The one here this year was the best in quite a number of years. We just hope the younger generation are catching on and will want to see it continue.

Went to see my brother, Harry just before Thanksgiving. Think he may be a little brighter. He sat up while we were there.

Mrs. Harry A. (Cleo) Gervin Sr., Box 347, Gatlinburg, Tenn. 37738  
Was with several of you this year at our National Shambaugh Reunion in Upper Sandusky, Ohio, on Sept. 3rd, in your homes and a few long distance telephone calls--- how wonderful it is to keep in touch!

I have been very, very ill this year, for about two and a half months in late spring and early Summer and again in October. A number of things contributed to my condition. Another badly injured ankle and foot, then a freakish injury to my left eye. Between times I had a most gratifying trip this summer. After visiting relatives in Ohio at reunion time I went to Pennsylvania on a family research trip, going by myself.

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I met many interesting people who were most kind in helping me to get some early history on my families. I was really rewarded--got much data, which really cleared up some mid-1700 dates and facts. How thrilled I have been over it all. My trip was around 2,200 miles and my only trouble was having to replace two directional light bulbs at two different times.

Dr. Gordon and Frances Shambaugh, 1216-41st St., Des Moines, Iowa, 50311  
Our best wishes to you and yours for happy holidays. Gorda is spending this week in New York City with friends, but will join us on the 22nd. G.I.G. and Grandmother Shambaugh seem perky. We had Grandmother's two sisters here for Christmas Day. No snow here, balmy 56 degrees today. Truly "Incomparable Iowa." Have a great 1968!

Josephine and George Hiatt, 1364 Ontario St., Wabash, Ind. 46992  
Merry Christmas to You ALL! We made a trip to North Carolina for a visit. The very few relatives I have on my fathers side live about 25 miles south of Greensboro. We go down frequently to visit with them. We always enjoy the trip. In the spring the mountains are beautiful with Dogwood in bloom, and in the fall they are all red, green and gold.

Enclosed is an item in the 100 years ago column of the Wabash Plain Dealer of Sept. 23, 1967 -- Married -- On 8th of Sept. by J. H. Gamble, Mr. Lewis Shambaugh and Miss Maria Cullers. (The grandparents of John Howard, Warren Scotten, Perlman Scotten, and myself, Josephine Shambaugh Hiatt)

Mrs. Natalie Shambaugh, 2143 Elliott St., Toledo, Ohio, 43606  
Hope this finds you just fine. I do not think I have given you this information. I have a granddaughter, Carol Ruth, born Feb. 24, 1963 and a grandson Roger Kent, born March 1, 1960.

Would also like to get a Crest. Where do I send for it? (Ed. - Write to Dr. Gordon Shambaugh, 1216-41st St., Des Moines, Iowa, 50311)  
Wishing you and yours good luck, good health, good friends, and God bless you.

Mrs. M. Floy Shambaugh, Anaheim Royal, Space 50, R250 N. State College Blvd., Anaheim, Calif., 92806  
It sounded as though you had a very nice time and a very good meeting at the reunion. I know they could not help it, as we always enjoyed being with you.

Dr. Nona Grapes, 732 Selma Ave., Selma, Ala. 36701  
Greetings to you and yours! You asked about my summer trip --  
On my last trip to Toronto I flew to Calgary and had a tour west from there. I wondered why I had not seen E. Canada while in Toronto, so when notice came of the Fair, Expo 67, I decided to make this the year. I had a short stay with old friends in Atlanta and flew to Montreal. I saw a bit of the Fair and several other treats, such as tour of City, a Jack Benny show, an extravaganza program in there Autostad. I spent 4 days at Hotel Chateau Frontenac in Quebec. Tours and rest there. Went to Gaspe' peninsula, boat trip to see birds etc. A tour of Prince Edward Islands from Sidney, N.S., and saw a play "Ann of Green Gables" at Charlottetown. My last stop was at Halifax, Nova Scotia and I flew home from there. This is why I didn't get to the reunion. In late Oct. I went to Iowa to our cemetery in Arlington and Davenport. The leaves were beautiful even in the rain.

Ethyl and Alva Allen of Hazelton, Iowa have a new grandson. Thier oldest daughter now has two daughters and one son.

Following is a letter copy from Mr. J. Y. Shambach of Camp Hill, Penn. to me --  
Dear Miss Grapes: Tour Director Paul G. Winey, Harrisburg, Pa. sent me your recent message to him and the enclosure. His deceased wife, Mary E. Shambach Winey, was my sister. Some of my cousins and others spell the name Shambaugh. Some spell the name Schambach and it has been said that many years ago, the name was spelled Schaumbach (meaning foaming brook).

A memorandum written by my father, Rev. Joshua Shambach in 1896 indicates that his ancestor came to this country in 1729. The memorandum says further that the name of my father's great grandfather was George whose son, Christian was my father's grandfather and that two uncles of Christian, Philip and Daniel moved to Virginia. The memorandum omits the source of the information.

Thanks so much to so many of our N-L readers who remembered us at the Christmas Season.

We hope all our readers and families had a VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS, and will have AN ENJOYABLE NEW YEAR!

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P. J. Scotten, Box 245, Port Salerno, Fla. 33492  
All the reports we get are that you all had a good crowd and a wonderful time at the reunion. We sure hope to attend the 1968 one at Wabash. We are planning for it. We had a wonderful reunion of our family the second Sunday in Sept. (We have one every year the same time) All the family attended and had a few guests. We all had a good time and as usual ate to much. The weather is beautiful here, altho a little on the dry side. We could sure use some rain.

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Robert F. Shambaugh, 566 Castle Kirk Dr., Baton Rouge, La., 70806  
In August we moved to Baton Rouge where I assumed the position of Associate Professor in the School of Music at Louisiana State University. My main task here is as chairman of graduate studies in music education. The majority of my students are Ph. D. candidates and aside from teaching courses, I guide the students through the work on their dissertations.

My wife, Virginia, and I have three daughters. Linda, a junior in the School of Nursing at UCLA, Karen, a freshman at LSU in the School of Business Administration, and Julie, a sixth grade student.

We moved to Baton Rouge from Palo Alto, Calif. where I had served as Coordinator of Music Education in the Palo Alto Unified School District. I received my degrees from Jordan Conservatory of Music, Indianapolis, Michigan State University and the University of Colorado in Boulder.

My parents are Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Shambaugh of Fort Wayne, Ind. They will be celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary on December 28, 1967.

We enjoy reading the Shambaugh Family News-Letter. Keep up the good work.

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Ulla Kirkland, 138 E. Esther Ave., Orlando, Fla., 32806

I have one son, Thomas Emmett Kirkland and four grandchildren, Thomas Robert, a law student at Stetson Law School, St. Petersburg, Fla., Joan Kirkland Thomas at Univ. of Florida in Gainesville, Marcia in Jr. High and Beth (Elizabeth) in elementary.

Tom has just resigned as Municipal Judge, effective Dec. 31st, after serving over 15 years as Judge, thus can give his Law office more time. I just returned from St. Louis where I attended International Convention of Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) and took a ride up the Stainless Steel Arch.

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Mrs. Tilman Nipple, P. O. Box 65, Albany, Wis., 53502

We have had a good year. Aug. was partly dry but got rain in time. We had good crops of early and late potatoes. We raised sugar cane on our daughters farm. It grew 12 feet tall.

We spent 2 months at our daughters home, Lucille Schneider of rural Juda, Wis. Her husband was hurt by a bull but is fine now.

I have heard Dad and Grandma Rachel talk about Upper Sandusky. Haven't heard from Clyde Kelly families in a long time or Alice Dosson.

Have been thinking to spend a day with Iva Tomlinson. It isn't over 25 miles away.

Our brother and family were here for two weeks in June and July. The children stayed for 2 weeks more. They flew out and back.

We had our first snow Thur. night but it melted nearly as fast as it hit.

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LeRoy and Madeline Shambach, R. 2, Middleburg, Penn. 17842

We sure enjoyed the visit at your house and think you people are just wonderful. We sure did enjoy our supper with Ann and her family and so glad that you all are feeling fine. We often think of the wonderful time we had that evening, talking, singing, playing the piano, and visiting with the Shambaughs. We had a nice letter from Harold Shambaugh of Md. and one from Cleo and also heard from Mary Alice. We hope to go down their way on our way to Florida this winter.

We had such a wonderful time at the reunion in your nice town and we are looking forward to Wabash, Ind. for 1968.

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Gene Shambaugh, a Life Insurance Agent, son of Franklin and Edith Shambaugh of Rossville, Ga. won a weeks vacation for two to-Seattle, Wash. So Gene and his wife really took in the sights. Enroute home they spent a few hours in San Francisco, then a few in Las Vegas, having a wonderful time.

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Mrs. Bertha Frank, P. O. Box 491, Redlands, Calif. 92374

Another year nearly gone and never got to-Ohio-again!

Some of my families have spent some time in the hospital, seems like one thing after another has happened. I hope nothing more happens.

I haven't gone on any trips this summer. I'm sure glad now that I took several last year.

My son Raymond and family are real well, he is busy with his buss on Charter Trips. New Years day he went on a Charter trip to the Rose Bowl G<sub>2</sub>.

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Your editor and wife, and families, were together at a Grange Hall west of Upper Sandusky, Ohio on Christmas Eve for a pot luck supper. Movie film was shown of Howard Leightey and Merle Raymond families on tour through the western states. (N.S. #93, page 3) Also movie films and slides taken by Sgt. Daniel Leightey over in Viet Nam were shown. Danny arrived home from Viet Nam Nov. 18, and returned to Camp Polk in La. Dec. 18. He is the son of Wayne and Grace Leightey.

Dan received two Purple Hearts and a Bronze Star for Meritorious Service in connection with Military Operations against a hostile force from Nov. 66 to Oct. 67 in the Republic of Viet Nam. Only 17 of thier Division received one. Present address - Sgt. Daniel Leightey, Co. C, 2nd Btn., B.C.T. Bde., Ft. Polk, La. 71459

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Katherine Trussell and Elsie Brehm, 4709 Walker Ave., Houston, Texas 77023 Ralf, Elsie's younger son, the one I helped to raise, his wife Carleen, and son Larry will be enjoying this lovely season in their new home. He and Carleen graduated from the University after marriage. She teaches and he is sales engineer.

The day before Thanksgiving, he flew to Venezuela on an emergency job, taking special parts to a multi-million dollar project that was being held up for the lack of them. He has to see that they are properly installed and working well, and that the men there understand what it's all about. Just a few weeks before, he had been sent to Alaska on a similar mission. Others have been scheduled for Mexico. That is really getting around, and, on the whole, he does enjoy it.

Norbert, Elsie's older son finished University in Germany, worked two years for a large firm and married there. The two little boys were born in Germany. He is a mechanical engineer at Continental-Timco.

He and his wife Elfriede are still looking for their new home. At present, they are in love with a beautiful new addition in the northwest part of the city, which would put them 22 miles away from Norbert's work, or 45 minutes driving time coming and going.

On October 22, we received news from Winterset, Iowa and then Riverside, Calif. of two family members having died of heart attacks. The first was Alvin Meyer who died Oct. 21, 1967. He was cousin Dorothy Shambaugh's husband, and a remarkable man. Successful farmer, business man, and former state legislator, he had a most enterprising mind, a lively sense of humor, a liking for all kinds of people, and his family in particular.

Mabel Douglas died Oct. 22, 1967. She was the daughter of my Mother's older sister, Louie, and Rev. Jones, a United Brethren minister. She, herself, was an active church member and a fine singer.

We had a surprise visit of Phyllis and the two older children, Russell, and Karen. We have a very special fondness for these little ones and hope to get acquainted with the latest, Charla Elaine, some fine and lucky day... Another was the 25 year honorary banquet for the half dozen employees who had so long weathered the storms and stresses of Weingarten's super-market business. We were also presented with beautiful watches.

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Robert Harris, R. 1, Upper Sandusky, Ohio suffered burns on his face when a 440 volt entrance box switch shorted when he threw the switch. He was in the hospital a few days, but home now and doing fine.

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Alvin P. Meyer, 70, of Winterset, Iowa, died unexpectedly at his farm Oct. 21, 1967 of a heart attack. Mr. Meyer was one of Madison County's most widely known citizens, and life-long resident of the county.

Born in Jefferson Tp. Oct. 7, 1897, a son of Fred and Alice Roderick Meyer. He was married in 1923 to Dorothy Shambaugh, who survives.

Mr. Meyer's varied businesses were: in oil business in partnership with his brother, Earl Meyer of Van Meter, Iowa, establishing the Meyer Brothers Oil Co., and later a chain of service stations. Later in the restaurant business, bowling lanes, food markets, welding shop, motels, and mobile home park, all at Winterset. Vice president of Life Investment Insurance Co. of America, and of Heart-land Productions, Iowa motion picture production Co., 4-H, and Future Farmer member. An active member of several Civic Clubs, and a member of the Evangelical United Brethren Church at Van Meter, Iowa, a Sunday School teacher and Superintendent for many years.

He also owned and managed soft-ball and baseball teams, two of them winning state championships, and a prospector for new uranium deposits in Eastern Colorado.

*Dear Cleo: Hope V R feeling up 2 par by this time.  
 Enjoyed getting your nice letters. Now B a good girl, and  
 stay well this winter.*

*With Love.*

*Francis & Hattie*

Mr. Meyer is survived by his wife Dorothy, and five children, Mrs. Marjorie Bucklew, Northridge, Calif., Carroll Meyer, North Kansas City, Mo., Frederick Meyer of Winterset, Mrs. Barbara Marasco of San Diego, Calif., and Mrs. Karen Silliman of Winterset. Also 18 grandchildren, a brother Earl, and a sister, Mrs. Mae Gowin, both of Van Meter, Iowa.

Funeral services were in the Van Meter EUB Church with Rev. Clifford Carter and the Rev. Donald Jones in charge. Burial was in the Winterset Cemetery.

Roy Trautwein, 70, R. 1, Arlington, Ohio, died Sept. 4, 1967 in Blanchard Valley Hospital after a long illness.

Born July 10, 1897, son of Charles and Mary Shambaugh Trautwein. He married Cora Wilch Feb. 17, 1923 and she survives. Also a son Charles of Ft. Knox, Ky., five daughters, Mrs. Charles (Betty) George, Canton, Ohio, Mrs. Eugene (Bonny) Grohoske, Columbus, O., Mrs. Raymond (Ruby) Cole, Cincinnati, O., Mrs. Wayne (Rose) Bibler, Findlay, O., and Mrs. Robert (Shirley) Simonson, Nova, O., a son died in infancy. There are 15 grandchildren.

Two brothers, Burton, of Marsailles, O., and Arthur of Upper Sandusky, O. Two sisters, Mrs. Earl (Ethel) Dome of Ada, O., and Mrs. Earl (Pearle) Ulrich of Upper Sandusky, O., a brother and sister preceded him in death. Mr. Trautwein was a World War I veteran.

Services were held in Mount Zion Church with Rev. Don Johnson officiating. Burial in Arlington Cemetery.

Some of our Shambaughs R spending the winter in Florida or elsewhere. Let us hear from you.

A friendly note from your editor --- To our N-L readers who move 2 a new address, permanent, or go south for the winter and have a temporary address, Please let us know a few days before U move, so your N-L will reach U at the time of issue, also when U will B returning home.

It costs U only 5¢ for a card 2 report your change of address, it costs us 18¢ more 10¢ return and 5¢ postage to remail it 2 U, and maybe a couple weeks or more late. So PLEASE, ~~PULLITZZZ~~, send me your new address, if U want 2 keep your N-L coming. So lest you forget, do it NOW!

Also, there R many receiving the N-L that we have never heard from. If U still want them sent 2 U, let me know by return mail, please drop us a card or letter, YES or NO!

Maybe U have some family news, or ancestry U would like 2 report, send it along. My address is in the return corner of your envelope.

\$\$\$ 4 N-L --- Mrs. Rachael Nipple 1.--, Dr. Nona Grapes 5.--, Robert F. Shambaugh 1.--, Merle Shambaugh 1.--, Mrs. M. Floy Shambaugh 1.--, P. J. Scotten 1.--, Madge Mundis 1.--, Katherine Trussell 2.--, Bertha Frank 2.--, Mildred Shambaugh 1.--,

Phoned Dr. Gordon Shambaugh New Years eve and truly enjoyed a few minutes talk to cousin Gordon, wife Frances and daughter Gordia

Also enjoyed a phone visit later with cousin Katherine Trussell and Elsie Brehm.

Keep your news items coming, they make an interesting News - Letter.

In last second mail --

Herbert Kelley, 60, of Perrysville, Ohio (Lamartine) Carroll Co. died in Twin-City Hospital in Dennison, caused by a one-car accident, head on into a tree, causing head and chest injuries. Accident was on Dec. 17, 1967 and died on Dec. 20, 1967.

Herbert was born Jan. 11, 1907, the son of Mrs Mary (Stewart) Kelley, and the late William Kelley, who died Feb. 15, 1967.

He was a member of the Perrysville Methodist Church and a Veteran of Foreign Wars. Survivors are-- one son Merle of R2, Scio; his mother Mrs Mary Kelley, R4, Carrollton; two brothers, Donald and Roy; three sisters, Mrs Charles (Freda) Voshel, Mrs James (Opal) Shotwell, and Mrs Harry (Frances) Mason. A step-son, Richard Butterfield, and a step-daughter, Mrs Ruth Myers, and one grandchild.

Services were held in the Allmon Funeral Home with Rev. Scott George officiating, assisted by Rev. Howard Williams. Interment in the Perrysville Cemetery.