ating from Ashland High School in 1925. Tillman went to work for the Citizen's State Bank of Ashland soon after graduating. He was also engaged in farming and cattle.

Early in the Roosevelt Administration, he went to work in the Ashland Post Office, working there for 18 years, ten years as Postmaster. During this time he also served two years in the Army in World War II.

Tillman served on numerous boards including United Methodist Church Trustee, Ashland Co-op, United Telephone Association, Ashland Hospital, Clark County Commissioner, Ashland City Council and Pioneer Museum. He and Dorothy Parsons were married July 12, 1947.

Tillman and Dorothy Floyd



Dorothy graduated from Southwestern College, Winfield. She taught in Wilmore for seven years, then was head of Ashland High School Home Economics Department for eight years. She retired and later helped with Clark County 4-H Sewing Projects.

Their only child, Janet Lea, was born February 4, 1953. Dorothy passed away January, 1982.

Tillman's family now consists of his daughter, Janet Lea, her husband, Randy Thompson, and their two children, Trevor and Teresa, who live in Liberal, Kansas.

More of the Floyd history in *Volume 5 of Early Clark History*. Submitted by Tillman Floyd

## JOHN S. FOLKS

John S. Folks arrived in Clark County in 1885 and engaged in farming and ranching. Reportedly, he ran cattle on open range in the Mount Jesus vicinity. He made the final payment on his homestead quarter four miles north of Ashland in 1890. He then built a substantial home and out buildings of native stone with the aid of his sons and a stone mason.

He was born in Maryland of German parentage. Six children were born there prior to his immigration to Clark County and three afterwards.

Ester A. Dancer and John F. Folks



His first wife, Ester Bridgette Dancer, passed away in 1902. He later married a second wife, Mollie, who also preceded him in death.

Of his children, the eldest, Bill, did some farming and ranching in Clark County and operated a livery stable in Sitka around 1910. He died at Englewood in 1957.

The second and third sons, Frank and Jim, farmed and ranched as Folks Brothers which is dealt with elsewhere.

The fourth child, George, farmed in Clark County and moved to Dalhart, Texas.

The fifth, a daughter, Margaret, passed away in 1885 at the

age of 6. We do not know where she is buried.

The sixth child, Charity, became a nun and taught fourth grade boys in San Francisco for many years. She passed away at the Mother house of the Sisters of the Blessed Virgin Mary in 1961 at Dubuque, Iowa.

The seventh, Lizzie Folks Bloxum, married Art Bloxum and engaged in farming and ranching in Clark County. He retired to Morland, Oklahoma.

The eighth, Sarah Folks Dalton Deck, moved to Arkansas. Passed away sometime in the 1940's.

The ninth and last son, Charles, engaged briefly in farming and ranching before passing away in 1916 at the age of 26.

John Folks retired to Ashland about 1910, renting his farm to his friend, Patrick Quinn, also of Maryland, who had three daughters, Mary, Belle and Rose, who married three Folks brothers, Frank, Jim and Charles. John Folks passed away in 1918 at the age of 71.

He apparently was a blacksmith by trade. It would seem that he was a very strong willed sort of person. He was a practicing Catholic.

Submitted by J. Paul Cox, great grandson

## FOLKS BROTHERS

Jim and Frank Folks began farming and ranching four miles north of Ashland on land adjacent to that of their father, John S. Folks. Frank Folks forte was managing horses and men while Jim's specialty was cattle. Thus, they achieved optimum performance from a diversified farming operation.



Jim and Frank Folks

In 1911, Frank married Mary Elizabeth Quinn (1887-1977). They had two children, Elmer and Florence. Frank passed away in 1926. The operation was split with Frank's son Elmer eventually assuming operation of land north of town.

Elmer now lives in Ashland. Florence Folks Moore resides in Albuquerque, New Mexico.

Elmer and his wife, Velsie Franks, have two sons. Neal of Vernal, Utah, is employed by the State Wildlife Department. Ray, also of Utah, is employed by Mountain Bell Telephone. Ray served in Viet Nam with the Marine Corps.

Jim Folks married Belle Quinn in 1915 and established a home on land west of Ashland that he purchased from the Mull ranch. They had two children, a son, Paul, who passed away the day after Jim in 1936 and a daughter, Laura May.

Jim was a devout Catholic. When the second Catholic Church was built in Ashland, he donated the bell which is still used in the Paul, Jim and Laura May Folks. Jim Folks' ranch with team of pet oxen about 1934.



present church. He was known for his industriousness as well as fairness and honesty in his dealings with others.

He attended school through the third grade and learned his multiplication tables off a board while tending cattle.

Submitted by J. Paul Cox, grandson of Jim Folks

## HUGH D. FONCANNON

Hugh D. Foncannon migrated from Indiana to Ashland in 1907 at the age of 17. On July 1, 1914, he and Florence Broadie, daughter of Samuel F. and Eva Whinery Broadie, were married. They were the parents of two daughters, Eleanor, now Mrs. Harry A. Woodbury of St. Louis, Mo.; Evelyn, now Mrs. Daniel A. Hirschler of Manitou Springs, Colorado; and one son, Eugene, of Kansas City, Mo. All of their children graduated from A.H.S.

Hugh worked as a carpenter/contractor for a number of years before entering the hardware business in the early twenties. It is a tribute to his workmanship that many of the homes he built are still among the nicest homes in Ashland. The house presently owned by Mrs. Pearl Degnan Arnold was built for his family in 1918, and was the family home until purchased by Mr. and Mrs. Degnan in 1951. A few blocks west is another house (now owned and occupied by Mrs. Jerome Berryman) which was built in 1911 by Mr. Foncannon.

Hugh and Florence worked together in the store through the years. They were hard-working, enterprising and always ready to give a helping hand or financial aid to those in need.

Hugh and Florence Foncannon Golden Wedding Anniversary July 1, 1964



In 1950, they sold their store and later moved to St. Francis, Kansas, where they spent their remaining years. It was there they celebrated their Golden Wedding on July 1, 1964. Hugh died September 5, 1973 and Florence on July 22, 1979.

Submitted by Eleanor F. Woodbury

## STEVE FONCANNON

Stephen Foncannon is retired and lives in Greensburg. His wife, Dorcas, is semi-retired working part-time as a nurses' aid in the Greensburg Hospital. We are building a house around a mobile-home, adding space and solidity to our home.

We drive down to Ashland and Clark County from time to time. It holds many dear memories.

Steve's grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. James Morrison, were early settlers in the Lexington community. After their retirement, his mother, Mariam Blanche Foncannon, moved to the ranch home where she farmed with various of her children. She was farming with Stephen at the time of her death.

It was during this time that our first two children were born in the old hospital in Ashland. The oldest, Stephen DeWayne, lives in Kingsdown, Kansas. By him we have two granddaughters and a great grandson. Our daughter, Sonia, has three sons and lives in Wichita. Our yougest son, Nicholar, who was born in Minneola, has a daughter and a son and lives in Wichita.

We have a nephew, Mike Foncannon and his wife, Ellen, who live in Greensburg and sometimes we like to forget they really belong to Steve's younger brother, John, who is deceased. 242 Steve also had another brother (deceased) and two sisters who live in Missouri.

Submitted by Steve Foncannon

## MARGARET SWAYZE FOOTE

Edgar Darl Swayze and Sadie Katherine Herndon were married in Syracuse, Kansas. John Herndon Swayze was born November 15, 1907 in Syracuse. They moved to Ashland and neighboring community and were living southeast of Ashland when Margaret (Swayze) Foote was born September 17, 1915. She died December 25, 1980.



Michael Foote, 1983 - age 13

Her son, Mike, and grandson, Michael, live in San Rafael, California.

Submitted by Bonnie Swayze

#### HAZAEL AND SUSAN FORD

Hazael Lindsay Ford and Susan Mildred Harmon came to Clark County June 1, 1885, with six children. Mia Elizabeth Sullivan, Emmett Melvin, John William, Henry Alonzo, Amanda Melvina and Olive Pearlie.

They settled by claim on land near Acres, Kansas SE/4 of 32-33-24. Mr. Ford died the next year of quick consumption, June, 1886.

Mia Elizabeth, or Libbie, married Pete Sullivan and had six children. They grew up at Great Bend and Dodge City, Kansas.

Emmett married Frances Pietz and lived in Englewood. There are three children, Hazel Wedon, Vici, Oklahoma; Mic Swayze, Bucklin, Kansas; Melvin, Wichita, Kansas. Henry Alonzo married Ina Cole and lived in Englewood and Ashland. John William, Amanda and Olive died of quick comsumption and are buried in Ashland Cemetery.



Amanda Ford

The farm was sold to Mr. Mull and the family lived in Englewood. Susan, the mother, died in 1902 and was buried at Ashland Cemetery.

Submitted by Bonnie Swayze

#### HENRY ALONZO 'LON' FORD

Henry Alonzo 'Lon' Ford was born March 4, 1877 in Oxford, Missouri. His parents, Hazael and Susan, moved their family to southwest Kansas in 1885. Lon's youth was spent as a cowboy and later as sheriff. On November 21, 1909, he wed Ina R. Cole of Englewood and they had seven children.

His only son, Henry Alonzo 'Lon' Ford, Jr., spent his youth in Englewood and later joined the Navy. After eight years in the service, he was discharged and found work in Colorado Springs, Colorado. He met and wed Laura Elizabeth Hodges and they later moved to Ashland. They have three sons. Thomas and family reside in Colorado Springs, Colorado. David and family live in Shallow Water, Kansas, and James attends college at Hays University.

Submitted by Henry A. Ford, Jr.

## LON AND INA FORD

Henry Alonzo Ford (Lon) and Ina Cole were married in Englewood, November 21, 1909.

Lon and Ina Ford



They had seven children, the first two died at birth. Bonnie Elizabeth Swayze, Bertha Melvina Pickeral, Ina Catherine, Henry Alonzo, Jr., and Pearlie May Mills.

Lon worked as a cowboy and ranch foreman. In 1932, he became sheriff of Clark County and was elected four times. He passed away September, 1948. Mrs. Ford lived a while in California with her daughter, Pearlie (Peggy) Mills, and later lived eight years at Fort Dodge. She passed away Mother's Day, 1979 in the Fountain View Villa in Ashland.

Bonnie married John (Jack) Swayze; Bertha married Bob Pickeral in Indianapolis, Indiana; Henry, who lives in Ashland, married Laura Parsons and has two sons, David Lon and Jimmie Ray. David has two daughters. Pearlie (Peggy) married J.D. Mills and lives at Trona, California and has two sons, Mike and John, and his wife, Jeane.

Ina Catherine died of lobar pneumonia in April, 1927 and is buried in Ashland Cemetery. Bertha Pickeral died December 18, 1978 of cancer and is buried in Indianapolis, Indiana. She had three children, Sister Patricia Stanley, a sister of St. Joseph and teaches at St. Mary's of the Plains in Dodge City, Kansas. Virginia Dove who has a son, Mike, and daughter, Shelly, and lives in Tucson, Arizona. George E. Stanley, Jr. lives in San Jose and is an airport guard.

Submitted by Bonnie Swayze

#### MARCELLA MILLAM FORSTER

I was born in southeastern Clark County (on a farm) to Olin and Virgie Millam on November 19, 1932, being the youngest of three children. The oldest is my sister Marie Booth and then my brother Jack Millam.

I attended my first two years of schooling at the "Bare" school house, having all eight grades in one room. I graduated from the eighth grade at Sitka, the class consisting of only three girls, Margaret Graff, Delores Hoffman and myself. I completed my last four years at Ashland High during which time the service men came back to complete their education.

While in my last two years, I drove a Model A to school and picked up Grace Wilson and Connie McMinimy. Being too young to go to nurses' training, I went to Wichita and began work at Boeing Aircraft Company, where I met Thomas Forster, a tool designer from North Dakota. We were married on June 28, 1952 by Msg. George Schmidt in Wichita, Kansas. We have four children, Myrna, who is married to Steve Loebsack; Gregory; Ann and Patricia.

Submitted by Marcella Millam Forster

#### DEENA MAY FOX AND PAUL FREDERICK FOWLER

Deena May Fox was born May 1, 1956, in Hutchinson to Gerald Dean Fox and Eleanor May Fox Fox. The family moved to Ashland in November, 1956. Deena attended school at Ashland until October, 1966 when the family moved to Goddard. Her following schooling was at Goddard, and she graduated in the class of 1974 from Goddard High School. She attended Kansas Newman College and graduated with a B.S. Degree in Elementary Education. She began her teaching career at Goddard Primary Learning Center, August, 1978 and at present is teaching second grade there. She will complete her Master's Degree in Educational Psychology (learning disabilities) at Wichita State University in the summer of 1984.

Paul Frederick Fowler, son of Paul Anthony Fowler and Jo Hewlett Fowler of Wichita, Kansas, was born February 9, 1957 in Longview, Texas. He attended kindergarten and first grade in Dallas, Texas, grades 2 through 11 in Groves, Texas. The family moved to Wichita and Paul graduated from Goddard High School, Goddard, Kansas in 1975.

He graduated from Wichita State University with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Business Administration with an emphasis in marketing. He is presently employed by the Fourth National Bank & Trust Co., in Wichita in the marketing department.

Deena and Paul were married on July 30, 1983 in Wichita, and presently reside in Wichita.

Submitted by Eleanor Fox

# BERT FOX FAMILY

Bert Earl Fox, son of Millard Fillmore Fox and Ida Mae Cook, was born June 30, 1895 in Lexington Township, Clark County, Kansas. He died February 8, 1968 at Ashland. Bert's family came to Clark County in 1887.

Margaret Josephine Degnan, daughter of Francis Henry Degnan and Josephine Elizabeth Isenbart, was born January 27, 1902 at Alva (Woods), Oklahoma. She died January 14, 1953 and is buried at Ashland. Margaret's family moved to Clark County in 1911. They first lived near Acres. They bought land northeast of Ashland which became known as the Degnan Ranch in 1920.

Bert and Margaret were married September 4, 1929 in Ashland. Their children are:

Ida Elizabeth, born February 8, 1931, married LeRoy Mc-Closkey, residing in Moraga, California; Marian Martha, born February 24, 1932, married (1) Benjamin Sabastian Sawyer III and (2) Floyd Lavern Legg, resides in Evergreen, Colorado; Franklin Delano, born December 11, 1934, married (1) Thelma Ann Allen, (2) Donna Joan Skidmore, (3) Linda Bernice Brown, resides Elmwood, Oklahoma; Maxine Patricia, born October 27, 1937, married Kenneth Pendergast, resides in Dodge City, Kansas; Vera Florine, born May 19, 1940, married Bernard Peter

Bert Fox family, 1952. Back: Ida, Franklin and Marian. Front: Maxine, Margaret and Bert Fox and Vera.



Heiland, resides in Dodge City, Kansas.

Bert farmed the Bill Nunemacher place east of Ashland. He was a life-long resident of Clark County, except for four years spent in Idaho and Oregon. The family returned to Clark County in 1952 because of Margaret's failing health.

The family were members of St. Joseph's Catholic Church. Submitted by Maxine Fox Pendergast

#### CALVIN AND SARAH FOX

Calvin Patterson (Cal) Fox, seventh child of William Henry and Alvira Jane (Dixon) Fox, was born July 18, 1864 in Chatham County, North Carolina. He was six years old at the time the family moved to Illinois, and was nine or ten at the time they were living in Hendricks County, Illinois. It was in Hendricks County that Sarah Marley was born July 16, 1868. The Marleys and the Foxes were neighbors and both families came to Butler County, Kansas at about the same time.

In Butler County their friendship continued and they were married March 13, 1886 in Butler County. They came at once to Clark County, settling in the Bluff Creek Community. Cal took over the last halves of northeast and southeast quarter of 27-31-22 from James G. Rayser who had filed the original claim. This was on April 6, 1889. Later in 1898 he acquired an additional quarter section, the northeast of 34-31-22 from C.L. and Mary Russell.

Third from left: Calvin Fox standing beside Sarah



It was on their farm in Clark County that their eight children were born: Verne L., April 19, 1888; Velma, August 24, 1889; Ava, July 24, 1891; Blanche, October 5, 1896; Altha, March 16, 1900; William Elmer, March 4, 1905; Theodore Lawrence, November 14, 1906; and Elzie, March 5, 1912. In 1918 the family moved to Ashland where Cal died May 1, 1933, at not quite sixty-nine years of age. Sarah followed December 5, 1936 at sixty-eight.

Submitted by Kay Harmon

#### DENISE MARIE RONSICK AND GERALD DEAN FOX II

Denise Marie Ronsick Fox, daughter of Dennis Ronsick and Virginia Peterson Ronsick, was born August 24, 1960 in Wichita, Kansas. Her early childhood and education were in the Dallas, Texas area. The family moved back to Wichita and she graduated from Southeast High School in 1979.

She continued her education at Friends University and graduated in May, 1982 with an Associate Degree in Early Childhood. She has worked in day care for four years. Denise enjoys snow skiing, camping and crafts.

Gerald Dean Fox II, son of Gerald Dean Fox and Eleanor May Fox Fox, was born October 6, 1960 at Ashland. His early childhood was at Ashland and his family moved to Goddard in late 1966. His schooling was in the Goddard schools and he graduated in 1979. He has been in the employment of Murphy Machinery for 4 years and as a sales representative for two years. He is a member of the Masonic Lodge No. 259 in Cheney, Kansas. Gerald enjoys golf, photography and woodworking. Gerald and Denise were married in Wichita on November 20, 1982 and resided in Wichita. They built their home in Goddard in 1983 and are the proud parents of a daughter, Andrea Marie, who was born March 27, 1983.

Submitted by Eleanor Fox

# ELEANOR MAY FOX AND GERALD DEAN FOX

Eleanor May Fox, daughter of William Elmer Fox and Edna May Heape Fox, was born February 28, 1934 in Ashland. She attended all of her schooling in Ashland and graduated with the class of 1952. Following graduation she attended the Kansas School of Cosmetology in Wichita and having passed her state board exam and receiving her license, set up business with her sister, Yvonne, in Coldwater, Kansas.

Gerald Dean Fox, son of Clyde Roy Fox and Hilda Mae Franklin Fox, was born September 27, 1933 in Council Bluffs, Iowa. He grew up in southwestern Iowa and graduated high school with the class of 1951 from Elliott, Iowa. Following graduation, he enlisted in the Naval Air Force. While stationed at Hutchinson Naval Air Station he met and later married Eleanor May Fox on March 4, 1954 at Ashland. There is no blood relation between Gerald and Eleanor.

Their first daughter, Deena May, was born while they were living in Hutchinson, on May 1, 1956.

Following Gerald's discharge, the family moved to Ashland, where Gerald was employed by United Producing Oil Co. for 10 years.

Their second daughter, Denise Yvonne, was born on June 7, 1958 at Ashland.

Their son, Gerald Dean II, was born on October 6, 1960 at Ashland.

All children attended Ashland schools until the family moved to Goddard, Kansas in October, 1966.



Denise Yvonne Fox Means, Brett Lee Means, Eleanor May Fox Fox, Gerald Dean Fox, Deena May Fox Fowler, Paul Frederick Fowler, Gerald Dean Fox II, Denise Marie Ronsick Fox, holding Andrea Marie Fox, July 1983

Gerald began his career with Cessna Aircraft Co. in Wichita following their relocation at Goddard and attended Wichita Technical Institute receiving his first class F.C.C. license. He is still with Cessna in the Avionics Engineering Experimental Department where he is job leader.

Eleanor is employed at Flowers Etc. in Goddard.

Submitted by Eleanor Fox

#### HAROLD FOX FAMILY

Harold Warren Fox was born December 20, 1920 on a farm in Sitka Township. He was the youngest son of Millard Fillmore and Henrietta Nies Fox. He went to the Sitka school for six years and finished his education graduating from Ashland High School in 1940.

Harold enlisted and served as a Technical Sergeant in the Army Air Force from January, 1942 to October, 1945. He was an Air Force armorer and served in the South Pacific on Canton Island, Saipan, Iwo Jima, Okinawa and in the Hawaiian Islands. Harold married Myrna Marie Giles, March 6, 1946. In 1947 they moved to Burdett where Harold spent 30 years as a farmer-stockman. In 1977, he and his son David became owners of the Chevrolet-Oldsmobile Agency in Wakeeney. In 1980, he returned to farming near Dodge City. At this time he is semi-retired and living in Dodge City.

Harold's wife, Myrna Marie Giles, daughter of Norman A. and Eula Lee Giles, was born March 5, 1921 in Burdett. She grew up in the Bellefont community, attended school in Spearville, graduated from high school in 1939 and from Fort Hays Kansas State University with a B.S. degree in elementary education. She taught for 21 years in Hodgeman County, Wilroads Gardens near Dodge City, Ashland, Burdett and Mullinville. Harold and Myrna have three children. They are all graduates of FHKSU.



Marilyn, Harold, Myrna, Bradley and David

David, born December 14, 1948, married Katherine Hancock of Golden, Colorado, January 22, 1974. David and Kathy now reside in Denver where David is employed as a stockbroker for Dean Witter Investments and Kathy teaches in the Denver schools. They have one son, Peter, born August 1, 1979.

Bradley, born July 12, 1951, married Sherry Lynn Barnes of Rozel, Kansas on May 29, 1972. Brad and Sherry live in Arvada, Colorado. Brad is manager of Accounts Payable at Coors in Golden; Sherry teaches school in Denver. They have two children, Jason Michael, born July 26, 1977 and Courtney Lynn, born October 24, 1979.

Marilyn Kay Eberle, born August 19, 1954 married Dennis Lynn Eberle on June 4, 1978 at Wakeeney where they live at this time. Marilyn teaches in the Wakeeney Grade School and Dennis is employed by Wakeeney Redi-mix. Dennis and Marilyn have two children, Matthew Lynn, born November 4, 1978 and Elizabeth Marie, born December 5, 1980.

Submitted by Harold Fox

## HENRY FIELDS AND LYDIA FOX

Henry Fields Fox was born in North Carolina in 1851. He died in Clark County, Kansas, 1941. He married Lydia Crater (born in 1857 in Indiana, died 1948, Ashland) in 1873.

He moved to Indiana with his parents in 1870. After his marriage, he continued living in Indiana until 1879. His father died in 1875.

Lydia Fox and Henry Fields Fox



In 1879, he moved his family to Butler Co., Kansas. His mother, brothers and sisters also moved at the same time with them. They moved by covered wagon. The trip took almost two months to complete. In Butler Co. they lived on a rented farm until they moved to Clark County.

In 1890 they moved, by covered wagon, to Clark Co. Henry Fields had come out two years earlier and filed claim on 160 acres. Their first home was a dugout dug back into a bluff that overlooked Bluff Creek Valley. Later they built a house on the top of the bluff, which gave them a beautiful view of the valley.

He enjoyed working with trees and planted a large number of fruit trees north of the house, where they not only produced fruit, but helped break the north wind. His trees would produce fruit when other orchards did not.

He told of hearing the boom of cannons during one of the Civil War battles, when he was a small boy.

Children: William, Annie Jane, John Albert, Charles Gideon and Preston Garfield.

Submitted by Paul Randall

#### JO P. FOX FAMILY

Josephine Mae Parker was born December 11, 1924 at Tampa, Kansas, the fourth daughter of Rev. Major William and Margaret Parker. Dad was a Methodist minister so I had the privilege of living and attending schools in Plevna, Little River, Canton, Ashland and Coldwater. Since Mother and Dad came to America from England, we had no relatives in this country, only our immediate family, but we made many friends and had a lot of good times growing up together. Many memories remain with us. I remember on a rare occasion, Dad let me ride with him to Sitka one Sunday morning and the very, very fast ride back to Ashland so Dad would be here in time to preach. Mother telling of her lunch being stolen when she came from England and rode the train from New York to Newton by herself. Also the "poundings" they gave Mother and Dad when they couldn't pay the salary, or just for fun. The folks had many stories to tell and they will be cherished forever.

I graduated from Coldwater in 1942, attended Southwestern College, Winfield, then began work at Strother Field Air Force Base in Winfield during World War II. I returned to Ashland in 1946 to continue my career as secretary, bookkeeper and earned my insurance agent's license.

I married Francis Millard Fox April 29, 1951. We were blessed with two sons, Millard Giles, born October 19, 1959, and Wm. Francis, born March 1, 1961. Francis suffered a stroke in 1969 and passed away in 1978. The boys and I continue the farming operation and they have other farming interests also in Clark County. Millard graduated from Southwestern College January, 1983 with a degree in biology. He and Susan Folck were married January 3, 1981 and following Millard's graduation moved to Garden City where they are both working. They have one son



Millard, Jo and Bill, 1979

## born July 12, 1982, Richard Francis.

Bill is a senior at Fort Hays State University and will graduate in May with a degree in agri-business with emphasis in animal science. He is still an avid sports fan and was in Kansas City this year when Fort Hays State won the National NAIA Basketball Championship. Bill plans to return to Ashland after graduation and continue his farming and cattle business.

Submitted by Jo Fox

## OTIS FOX FAMILY

Otis and Dona Fox were both born to pioneer families in the Lexington community northeast of Ashland.

Otis was born December 14, 1890 to Millard Fillmore and Ida May Fox. He attended the Coyote School near his home. Otis was inducted into the army during World War I where he served in France.

Dona was born January 29, 1895 to Porter and Kisiah Seacat. She attended the Coyote School and later attended high school and normal training school at Emporia, Kansas. She taught school two years at the Centerville School east of Ashland and one year at the Lexington School in her home community.



Otis Fox family, June, 1959. Paul, Otis, Dona, Fred, Rose Anna, Loyd and Virgil.

Otis and Dona were married March 26, 1922 and made their home in the Lexington community where they were engaged in farming. They spent fifty years in the same home and raised their five children there. All five children attended the Coyote School and graduated from Ashland High School. Their children are: Paul, Rangely, Colorado; Fred, Wichita, Kansas; Loyd, San Diego, California; Virgil, Jerome, Idaho and Rose Anna, Tempe, Arizona.

Otis and Dona attended the Lexington Church of God and later the First Church of God in Ashland where they were active in the work of the church.

Otis died March 24, 1972, after several years of failing health. After his death, Dona spent ten years with her daughter in Tempe, Arizona. She returned to Ashland in August, 1982 and entered Fountain View Villa where she now resides.

Submitted by Rose Anna Kiser

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## VIRGIL LEE FOX

Virgil Lee Fox, son of Loyd Otis Fox (1890-1972) and wife Dona Seacat (1895 - ), was born April 19, 1931 in Lexington Township, Clark County, Kansas; married September 20, 1969 at Ashland, Kansas Church of God, to Catherine Joan Level, daughter of James Edwin Robinson and wife Elma Violet Ferguson, born October 26, 1934 in Sauk County, Wisconsin. One child, Neil Thomas, was born June 13, 1971 in Loveland, Larimer County, Colorado.

Virgil attended Ashland schools, graduating from AHS in 1950. He resided on and farmed his parent's farm in Lexington Township prior to moving to Loveland, Colorado in December, 1969, where they resided until they moved to Jerome, Idaho in June, 1979, where they fulfilled a dream of rural living. They purchased two acres and built a home where they presently reside. Since moving away from Kansas, Virgil has been employed mainly in truck driving and factory work. Catherine has worked at various part-time jobs and Neil is an honor student. Virgil presently works in the Tupperware Company factory near Jerome.

Submitted by Virgil Fox

#### WILLIAM ELMER FOX FAMILY

William Elmer Fox, son of Calvin Patterson Fox and Sarah Ann Marley Fox, was born January 4, 1902 at Ashland. He grew up in the Lexington community, attending country school and later attended Ashland High School. His business interest was the grocery store, especially the meat department. He worked in several grocery stores in Ashland previous to his own business, Fox Grocery and Market, which he operated up to the time of his retirement from business.

Edna May Heape Fox, daughter of John Henry Heape and Pink Elizabeth Fletcher Heape of Meade, Kansas, was born February 19, 1912 in Meade, Kansas. She attended school in Meade and graduated from Meade High School.

Edna and Elmer were married in Liberal, Kansas on March 4, 1931 and they lived in Ashland the remainder of their lives.

Elmer was the proud owner of Fox Grocery & Market between the years of 1950 to 1974, when he retired. He was a charter member of the Kiwanis Club of Ashland. Edna was City Clerk at Ashland for nearly 33 years up until the time of her death on November 5, 1976. She was an active member of the Business & Professional Women's Club. Both she and Elmer were members of the First Church of God. Elmer passed away July 26, 1979.



Virginia Yvonne (Bonnie) Fox Frazier, Edna May Heape Fox, William Elmer Fox and Eleanor May Fox Fox.

Two daughters were born to Elmer and Edna: Virginia Yvonne, born May 11, 1932 at Ashland, and Eleanor May, born February 28, 1934 at Ashland.

Submitted by Eleanor Fox

## VIRGINIA YVONNE FOX AND DENTON EDWARD FRAZIER

Virginia Yvonne Fox, daughter of William Elmer Fox and Edna May Heape Fox, was born May 11, 1932 in Ashland. She attended all of her schooling in Ashland and graduated with the class of 1950. She attended the Kansas School of Cosmetology, graduating in 1953 and set up business with her sister, Eleanor, in Coldwater.

Denton Edward Frazier, son of Carlyle Edward Frazier and Lucille Fish Frazier, was born July 31, 1933 in Buttermilk, Kansas. He grew up in and around Coldwater, living most of his youth with his grandparents, Fred and Mae Fish. He was a farmer at heart, but a master of many trades. He went to and graduated from the Kansas School of Cosmetology and he and his wife Yvonne (Bonnie) ran a beauty shop together for many years.



Yvonne (Bonnie), Denton and Denton II, 1982 He is now in construction and plumbing. Denton and Yvonne were married on May 11, 1954 at Ashland.

One son, Denton Edward II, was adopted on March 26, 1966. At the time of this writing he is a senior at Coldwater, Kansas. The family lives in Coldwater where Yvonne (Bonnie) still owns and works in a beauty shop at the home.

Submitted by Yvonne (Bonnie) Frazier

#### MIKE AND RITA FREELOVE

Mike grew up in a small village in northern New Mexico, the youngest of Mae and Eric Freelove's six children. He attended grade and high school at Cuba, New Mexico and Fort Lewis College at Durango, Colorado.

Rita grew up in Ashland and attended school here until her junior year in high school. At that time she moved with her parents, Flem and Madeline Moore, to Cuba, New Mexico where they were involved in mission work with the Navajo Indians.

Mike and Rita were married in 1967 at Dodge City. They lived in Hawaii and California while Mike was in the Air Force. Upon his discharge from the Air Force, they returned to Mike's home town, La Jara, New Mexico. in 1974 they moved to Ashland to be near Rita's parents. Mike served as city marshall from 1976 until 1981. In 1980 he was elected District Magistrate Judge serving in Clark County and the 16th Judicial District.

The Freeloves have two children, Rena Maylene, born in 1970, at Fairfield, California and Greggory Allen, born in 1974 at Albuquerque, New Mexico.

In addition to Mike's duties as Judge and Rita's job as secretary at the grade school, they are involved in farming the Moore family farm twelve miles west of Ashland.

Submitted by Rita Freelove

## FREEMAN FAMILY

Ralph Franklin Freeman was born in Ellsworth, Kansas, December 14, 1891, son of Gordon M. Freeman and Catharine Mary "Kate" McCumber He passed away August 30, 1945 at Ashland, Kansas. On October 25, 1913 in Ellsworth he married Mabel Reaume, who was born March 24, 1892 in Garfield Township, Ellsworth County, daughter of Paul Reaume and Emma Lulu Gilkinson. She passed away October 21, 1975 at Ashland.

After their marriage they moved to "The Reaume Ranch on the Elkhorn" in Ellsworth County. Here their only child, Kathleen Reaume Freeman, was born April 11, 1920.

Upon arriving in Clark County in March, 1924, the Freemans lived for a short time on a farm, then moved to Ashland where they continued to live the rest of their lives.

Ralph was a cattleman and order buyer for a livestock commission house in Kansas City. He was well-known in several states where he traveled to buy livestock.

Mabel was artistically inclined and while in school had taken china painting. In the late 1950's, she again took up painting



Ralph and Mabel Freeman, 1944

and enjoyed this hobby along with other crafts.

Kathleen married June 4, 1946 in Kansas City, Kansas, Willie VanLerberg, born September 23, 1918, Jackson County, Missouri, son of Camiel Joseph VanLerberg and Marie Elodie Vandekerckhove, both natives of Belgium. Their daughter, Patricia, was born December 27, 1947. She married October 17, 1970, Manhattan Beach, California, John Joseph "Jack" Ricketts, born August 12, 1940, Dighton, Massachusetts, son of William Joseph Ricketts and Marie Clara Menoche. Their home is in Redondo Beach, California.

Submitted by Mrs. Kathleen R. Vanlerberg

## H.B. AND JESSIE EMERY FRY

H.B. Fry and Jessie Ina Emery were married at LaCyne, Kansas, February 1, 1899. They lived in Nebraska and northern Kansas before moving to a farm east of Ashland. Lester, Lucy, Inez and Mabel were born before they moved to Clark County. They moved by way of covered wagons in 1910 and lived in the barn until the house could be built. Grandpa Emery came on ahead and built the barn. Later three more children joined the family, Mary, H.B., Jr. and Jennie.



Inez, Lucy, H.B., Sr., H.B., Jr., Jessie, Lester, Jennie, Mable and Mary. 1943.

Lester married Clarice McMillin and lived at Wilmore. The oldest girl Lucy lives on the home place, Inez married into the Bottorff family, Mabel married Roy Pierce and resided near Vinita, Oklahoma, most of her married life; Mary also lives on the home place, Bertsell (H.B., Jr.) married Ruth Wilson and lived at Ashland, Jennie married Merton Ward and they live in Ashland. Our father, mother and two brothers are deceased.

Lester, Lucy and Inez attended the Brown School east of Sitka until the school was built in Sitka. Later Centerville School No. 10 was built a half mile west of the Fry farm and the children attended school there.

Our parents lived to celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary.

Inez now lives at Anthony, Kansas and the other four girls live at Ashland. Lester had eight children, Inez had twins, a boy and a girl, and Bert had three boys. Over the years there have been many happy family gatherings at the Farmstead.

Submitted by Mary Fry

## GARY AND MILLIE FUDGE

Gary and Millie Fudge came to Ashland, November, 1979. They have three sons: Bryan Dale, born August 30, 1973; Blair Shaun, born March 17, 1977 and Brannon Marshall, born June 27, 1981. Gary Dale, born October 7, 1950, is originally from Ford, Kansas. His parents are George Dale and Melva Jean Fudge. He has one brother, Stanley Eugene, who is in England. Millie (Mildred Kay Barnes), born May 31, 1949, is from Lakin, Kansas. Her parents are Lyle Vernon and Betty Dean Barnes, Lakin. She has two brothers and one sister: Vernon Duane, born September 29, 1952; Linda Jean, born December 8, 1958 and Gary Martin, born September 5, 1961.

Gary's grandparents were Joseph E. and Mary Stout of Ford, Kansas and George and Lilly Fudge of Eureka, Kansas.

Millie's grandparents were Martin Irwin and Chloe Barnes, Lakin, Kansas, and John and Mamie Susan Yohn, Ulysses.

Gary is employed by Shaw Ranch and Feedlot and Millie is employed by C & N Enterprises, Inc.

Submitted by Millie Fudge

### ADDIE AND ART GANSON

Arthur Ganson was born December 27, 1911 and was reared on a farm in Leoti, Kansas. His parents were Dale and Hattie Ganson. He attended grade and high school in Leoti. In 1940, he was elected County Treasurer serving two terms. He moved to Ashland June 1, 1946 to run the Ritz Theatre which he had purchased from Mark Baker.

It was here he met and married Adaline Parker. They were married in the Methodist Church in Belle Plaine, Kansas, June 4, 1951.

"Addie" was born in Tampa, Kansas, September 28, 1922, daughter of Rev. Major and Margaret Parker. Her father was an Evangelical and Methodist minister, so she had attended different grade and high schools, graduating from the Ashland High School. She attended Business College in Hutchinson.

They purchased the Yeager Ready to Wear store in 1958 which they ran for 19 years.

They sold the Ritz Theatre in 1970 after 25 years of ownership. Art knew all the kids in the community and surrounding area.

Art served 8 years on the City Council and was Mayor. He served 8 years on the Ashland Unified School Board and two terms as County Commissioner. Addie has served on various boards of the community. Both are active in the United Methodist Church.

Art and Addie Ganson



Their twin daughters are Jean and Janet. Jean is married to Hal Bryan Ramsay and lives in Johnson, Kansas. They have two children. Janet is married to William Klinger Shaw and lives in Ashland. They have three children.

This town has been good to us and we "Thank God" for the privilege of living here.

Submitted by Addie Ganson

# HENRY CLAY GARDINER AND FAMILY

Henry Clay Gardiner was born in Missouri in 1855 and came to live near Denison, Kansas in 1856 about 40 miles north of Topeka. He was a descendant of Lord Gardiner of England who founded a colony in Maryland during colonial times. Another 248 ancestor purchased Gardiner's Island off the east coast of Long Island, New York. This was Lion Gardiner who in 1639 purchased the 3,300 acre island from the Indians. This was the first English settlement in what is now the state of New York.

Henry C. Gardiner's grandfather was James T. Gardiner who was born in Maryland in 1777. James lived to be 98 years old. Henry's father, John Gardiner, was born in Missouri in 1829.

Henry, his wife, Louise, and baby daughter Ethel (Wilson) left Jackson County, Kansas, March 13, 1885 in a caravan of five wagons to come to Clark County. Dr. Ivan Burket's parents were other members of this caravan. These five families rented a railroad car and sent belongings that would not fit in their wagons to Dodge City. Also in this railroad car were a team of horses, wagon and Dr. Burket's uncle, Daniel Burket. He spent three weeks hauling the railway car's contents to the Ashland area while the covered wagon caravan covered the 400 miles of the trail. The wagon train also brought 30 head of cattle with them. They did not travel on Sunday, except for the last day of their journey. They averaged about 19 miles a day in a 24 day trip that ended at 4:00 p.m., April 5, 1885, when they arrived at the Walden home on Little Sand Creek east of Acres. It was Easter Sunday.

When the ladies of that group arrived at the Walden home, they were the first women that Mrs. Walden had seen in over four months.

Henry entered a claim on Sec. 18-34-23 which is now located in the northwest part of the Dunne Ranch. They left Jackson County with \$50 that "lasted a long time" and "store of meat, lard and canned goods."

Their first home was a dugout soddy containing one large room with a dirt roof and dirt walls. It was in this dugout that Ralph W. Gardiner was born in 1889. Henry hauled freight from Dodge City to Ashland and Ft. Supply until 1887 when the railroad came to Ashland. Louise stayed on the claim while her husband freighted. She was proud that one year she netted as much money by selling butter and eggs as her husband did with teaming and hay contracting.



Henry Clay Gardiner, Ida Gardiner Broadie, Ralph Wilburn Gardiner, Louise Hafer Gardiner (taken about 1907).

One year Henry sold the American Land and Cattle Co. 600 tons of hay for \$1.50 a ton. After nine years of poor crops on infertile sandy ground, Henry traded his claim for a "bunch of cattle" and took the cattle and his family back to Jackson County in 1894 only to return to Clark County in 1896. This time he purchased a farm in Section 1-33-23 just north of Ashland. The homesite was the same location as his grandson's, Jerry Wilson. This second trip to Clark County was interrupted for several days while Henry searched for the wagon team that had escaped during the night. Seven year old Ralph could also remember waiting out a blizzard in a round barn near Turon.

The Henry Gardiners had 5 children but two died in early

childhood. The three that lived to maturity were Ethel Wilson, Ida Broadie and Ralph.

Submitted by Henry C. Gardiner

## HENRY AND NAN GARDINER

One of Henry's earlier achievements was to learn to milk a cow when he was four years old. Soon after he learned how it then became his job to do this and gather the eggs and slop the hogs and he got to where he did not like to do this. He started driving a Caterpillar tractor pulling his Dad's 24 foot combine in the harvest of 1941. He was nine years old then. In summers after that his tractor would start running about 30 minutes later than he thought it should while he milked the cows. We do not milk a cow now.

With the early dislike of even small time dairying, he turned to raising beef as soon as he could. In 1947, he showed a home raised Angus steer as reserve champion Angus steer at the National Western in Denver. This steer was only about 13 months old at the time and weighed 915 pounds. We brought him home and showed him at the State Fair at Hutchinson where he was picked as a grand champion. He weighed 1,100 lbs. and sold for \$1 per pound. One of the prizes for this champion was \$100 credit to be applied toward the purchase of a registered Angus heifer at the State sale. We went to the sale and bought two heifers. This was the beginning of the registered cow herd.

Nan Arnold came to Ashland in 1955 to teach vocal music to each of the first 8 grades. She gave piano lessons to any student whose parents wanted them to take lessons. This gave her 24 beginning plink plunkers the first year she taught. In her spare time she sold lunch tickets each Monday morning for the week. Her salary was \$3,200. When she had interviews for the job, Mr. Humphreys asked her if she was a "good girl." She must have given him an acceptable answer.

Nan and Henry met when they were introduced by a mutual friend, Pauline Baker, in Ashcraft's Drug Store. Henry did not know it then but he had just been caught by that pretty red head.

Sons Greg and Mark are working partners on the ranch and Garth helps when he can. Greg and Mark were both good livestock judges while getting their degrees at Kansas State. Greg was high point individual for the contest when he judged horses at the National Quarter Horse Congress at Columbus, Ohio. Mark was awarded the F.W. Bell award for the outstanding livestock judge of the year when he was a senior at KSU. Mark was president of Farm House Frathernity, a position his Dad held 31 years earlier. Greg and Mark have been judging 15 to 20 horse shows a year since their graduation.

Garth is the family politician and public relations man. He likes to meet people. He is also our singer and was one of the children in "The Sound of Music" and played "Curly" in "Oklahoma," put on by his high school.

The whole family works hard at farming and raising Angus cattle. They have one of the best registered Angus herds in the

Left to right: Greg, Henry, Nan, Mark and Garth Gardiner, taken May, 1982 on their 25th wedding anniversary.



state. They are using new cattle genetic techniques to become one of the better Angus herds in the U.S. Because he has had considerable experience with the use of these genetic techniques, Henry has been asked to speak to over 20 different meetings in 11 different states and New Zealand in the last two years. He has talked to not only Angus meetings but to national meetings of other breeds including Brangus, Brahman, Simmental, Limousin and groups including all breeds.

The family has had a production sale at their ranch for the last five years where they have sold from 150 to 300 head of their Angus.

Submitted by Henry C. Gardiner

#### RALPH WILBURN GARDINER AND FAMILY

Ralph Wilburn Gardiner (1889-1969) lived all of his life in Clark County. He was a graduate of Washburn Law School, with honors. He was admitted to the bar but did not practice law. Instead he came back to Clark County and with the help of his father, started buying land. With vicious tenacity and unceasing hard work he and his ranch survived the depression and the dirty thirties though he lost over 2,000 acres of land to the mortgage holder and several more acres to the wind.

Most of this land had been purchased in the '20's. He had a very good crop completely hailed out in the late '20's that would have paid his debts if he could have harvested it. However, the thirties struck at a time when he had a big debt, low prices, dry weather and a young family.

He did not marry until he was 41 years old when he met and married a young school teacher from Missouri. Muriel Small had come as a young girl with her family to live on a farm north of Englewood. Her father died a few years later of a ruptured appendix leaving his wife, Ethel Small, to raise 10 children. Grandmother Small did this with quiet dignity.

Muriel taught school at the Coyote school west of Lexington and the Fairview school in the old Vesta township. She had all 8 grades at Coyote but only two grades had students. At Fairview school she had the first four grades in this two room schoolhouse. Her salary was \$90 per month and she paid \$30 a month for room and board when she lived with the George McCartys.

Ranch hands were paid \$1.33 a day, \$40 a month or \$480 a year during the 1930's. Wheat was worth 20 to 30 cents per bushel. Cattle were 5 to 10 cents per pound. Eggs were 12 cents a dozen. I remember that because when I broke one as I gathered them, I was reminded that I had wasted a penny.

The record book shows that in 1933 this 8,000 acre ranch only had \$2,442 in expenses which was certainly operating frugally. The problem was that there was only \$1,478 of income so the ranch showed a \$964 loss for the year. All during the 1930's, net income was very small or nonexistent. It was a terrible time to try to pay off a large amount of indebtedness.

Black blizzards or dust storms were a scourge of the 1930's. I remember one of the worst ones was in April of 1935. The George McCartys were at our home for Sunday dinner when we saw an ugly black wall of dirt advance out of the clear blue sky in the north. When it hit the day became as dark as night and we had to light our kerosene lamps to see. The wind blew hard enough that it lifted up our linoleum rugs inside the house even with all doors and windows closed. The next morning you could easily write your name in the layer of dirt all over the house. A lot of wheat fields were destroyed that day, as well as spirits.

Ralph was known for his sharp tongue and quick wit. One time he and a partner disagreed on how to divide a wheat crop.

The partner finally told him he could take his wheat and go to hell, whereupon Ralph retorted, "I will compromise with you. I will take the wheat and you can go to hell."

He had always liked horses. As a young boy he drove a lot of teams to plow, plant and harvest as well as move cattle. He maintained this love of horses all his life and always had a lot of good ones around. He bred and raced quite a few Quarter Horses. In fact one year during the 1950's, he was in the top 10 in money winnings for owners of racing Quarter Horses in the U.S. The other part to that story is that they still lost money after all expenses were paid.

In 1964, thirty head of Ralph's horses were auctioned off in a sale held at the Ashland Sale Barn. A fourteen year old mare who had run in AAA time and had produced offspring that were AAA, sold for \$10,000. The 30 head averaged \$2,400 per head.

Angus cattle came to the Gardiner Ranch in 1934 when Ralph bought two Angus bulls from Jim Hudson who operated the ranch (now known as the Phil Glen Ranch) on Little Sand Creek west of Ashland. These bulls were put on a set of Shorthorn cows which produced a number of "blue roan" calves. From that time until now there has never been anything but Angus bulls used on the ranch. The grand champion individual steer at the American Royal in Kansas City in 1956 was bred on the Gardiner Ranch and fed by the Freed brothers of Paullina, Iowa. The Freeds also showed the 1959, 1960 and 1961 grand champion carload of fat steers at the American Royal. These were also born on the Gardiner Ranch. The Freeds bought the Gardiner steers to feed in their Iowa lots for 20 years. In 1975 the Gardiners started feeding some of their own steers in western Kansas feedlots. They now feed all their steers in western Kansas lots.



Ralph, Helen, Henry and Muriel Gardiner, about 1946 Ralph and Muriel had two children, Helen M. Arnold, wife of Philip Arnold, and Henry C. Gardiner.

Submitted by Henry Gardiner

## DAVID GEORGE FAMILY

Commander and Mrs. David George are presently living in Aiea, Hawaii. David, son of Lewis and Nadine George, was born in Ashland on February 12, 1944. He attended elementary and high school in Ashland, graduating in 1962. In addition, he holds a Bachelor degree in Physics from Emporia State College, a Master of Arts degree in Nuclear Physics from Western Michigan University, and a Master of Science degree in Business Administration from George Washington University. He is certified by the

Kristin, Sharon and David



American College of Radiology in Therapeutic Radiological Physics.

David is married to Sharon Maxwell, daughter of Gene and Frances Maxwell of Douglass, Kansas. Sharon is a graduate of Western Michigan University with majors in music and elementary education. They have a nine-year-old daughter named Kristin.

David was commissioned in the Navy as a radiation specialist in 1968. He has had tours on the Surgeon General's staff in Washington, D.C.; at the National Naval Medical Center, Bethesda, Md.; at the Naval Regional Medical Center, Great Lakes, Illinois; and the Armed Forces Staff College, Norfolk, Virginia. David is presently serving as the Director of Radiation Health at the Pearl Harbor Naval Shipyard. Sharon is teaching at a special education school for children with learning disabilities. Sharon and David enjoy tennis, jogging, sailing and bridge. Kristin is active in gymnastics, Girl Scouts and piano.

Submitted by Daniel George

## LEWIS GEORGE FAMILY

Lewis and Nadine (Hieronymus) George moved from Perryton, Texas, to Clark County, Kansas in the dust bowl days, April, 1938. They entered into the farming and ranching business twelve miles south of Ashland.

On April 23, 1939, Leonard Lewis George was born. He attended school, grade and high school, in Ashland. On graduating he attended College of Emporia, at Emporia, Kansas. After three years he was drafted by the Army and served two years in Clarksville, Tennessee. At this time he is in the restaurant business in Floresville, Texas. He is married and has two daughters and two step-daughters.

James David George was born February 12, 1944. He attended grade and high school in Ashland. He graduated from Emporia State College with a degree in physics. He graduated from Western Michigan, Kalamazoo, Michigan, with a Masters degree in physics. He was commissioned in the Navy and while in Bethesda, Maryland, he received a masters degree in Business Administration from George Washington University. He is married and has one daughter, Kristin. At this writing he is stationed at Pearl Harbor.

On January 15, 1976, Lewis died of cancer. He attended school in Perryton, Texas. He was a wheat farmer while living in Texas.

Nadine (Hieronymus) George attended grade school in Oklahoma, went through high school in Ashland, Kansas and attended college at Northwestern State in Alva, Oklahoma. Nadine farms and ranches, and lives in Ashland. She owns and operates Artland Gallery and enjoys oil and decorative painting.

Submitted by Nadine George

## NEILL GEORGE FAMILY

Neill and Geraldine George moved to Ashland in 1966. Neill was a field representative for the Ashland Livestock Sales Co. and Geraldine worked for 10 years in the Clark County Extension Office as secretary. Later Neill returned to his private business of auction, cattle order buying and real estate sales. He is now senior partner of G & P Cattle Co. with Larry Park as co-owner.

Neill was born in 1917 at Spickard, Missouri and has resided in Kansas since 1924. He has three daughters and nine grandchildren. Kim Feltner, a granddaughter, resides in Ashland.

Geraldine is a native of Clark County, born in 1919, and was raised on a farm between Ashland and Minneola. The farm formerly belonged to the late Judge Francis Price of Ashland. Her parents were Frank and Laura Hatcher. One of her four brothers is Fay Hatcher, who taught sixth grade at the Ashland School in the late 1930's and early 1940's.

Neill and Geraldine were married in 1961 at Minneola United Methodist Church. Both are semi-retired but have assisted in community projects in their more active years. They attend the First Church of God and Neill is active in Shrine and belongs to the clown unit. Geraldine is a member of B.P.W., Art Association, and O.E.S. and served several years as Clark County Democratic Committee Chairman.

The Georges now reside in Riviera, Arizona during the winter months.

Submitted by Geraldine George

## CARL GERMAN FAMILY

Carl Dean German, son of Mr. and Mrs. Don German, born December 12, 1955 in Ashland, Kansas, went through all 12 grades in the Ashland school system and graduated in 1974 from Ashland High School. He then went to a vo-tech school in Manhattan, Kansas to become an electrical lineman. He moved to Dodge City in December of 1975 where he was hired by Victory Electric, the local Rural Electric Cooperative and is still employed there.

In August of 1977, Carl met Gina Lea Hickerson. Gina was born September 28, 1956, and graduated from Dodge City Senior High in 1974. She spent one year at Ozark Bible College and one year at Dodge City Community College in the animal science department. Carl and Gina were married on February 18, 1978. She is a professional dog groomer and is a co-owner of Bowser Boutique.

Carl and Gina German, 1983



The couple is at present working on the adoption of a baby girl from Taiwan. They are hoping to have Erika DeAnne in the states the first of June.

Submitted by Carl German

## DON GERMAN FAMILY

Donald Ray German was born August 19, 1931 in Protection, Kansas to Lynn and Wilma German. He grew up in Protection attending school there. He came to Ashland in 1950 to work with the United Telephone Company. After several years working in and around Ashland, he went to work for the City of Ashland in 1962. He is now the City Superintendent.

Norma Jean Pentz, daughter of Lester and Mamie Pentz, was born October 24, 1934 in the Lexington community. She grew up in Ashland, attending school there. Don and Norma were married June 1, 1951.

> Don and Norma German, 1979



The Germans have four children. Lester, Gale, Carl and Stanley. Lester was born April 12, 1953 and attended Ashland school and Dodge City Community College. Gale was born September 6, 1954, and attended Ashland School and Police Academy in Hutchinson, Kansas. Carl was born December 12, 1955 and attended school in Ashland and vo-tech school in Manhattan, Kansas. Stanley was born December 12, 1958 and attended Ashland school, Garden City Community College and Portland, Oregon Warner Pacific College.

The family is active in the community and they attend the First Church of God. Norma works for Walkers of Ashland. Submitted by Norma German

#### GALE GERMAN FAMILY

Leslie Gale German was born September 6, 1954 in Ashland, Kansas to Donald and Norma German. He grew up in Ashland, attending school there and graduating in 1973. He went to the Police Academy in Hutchinson, Kansas and worked for the Clark County Sheriff's Department as a Deputy for three years and also for the ambulance as an EMT. He moved to Lakin, Kansas and worked for Kearny County Sheriff's Department for three years, also as an EMT coordinator. Later he moved to Garden City and worked as a welder.

Gale and Mari Lynn Haley were married December 15, 1975. They have two children, Scott and Tiffany. Scott Rayn was born May 15, 1976 and Tiffany Dawn was born May 9, 1978.

Gale is self employed as a welder now and his children are living in Garden City.

Submitted by Gale German

#### LESTER GERMAN FAMILY

Lester Ray German was born April 12, 1953 in Ashland, Kansas to Donald and Norma German. He grew up in Ashland attending school there and graduating in 1971. He then went to Dodge City Community College and also the Police Academy in Hutchinson, Kansas. He has been on the Dodge City Police Department for nine years and five of those years as detective. He also is working for NIS Financial Service.

Donna Helen Geist, duaghter of Al and Doris Geist, was born June 18, 1953 at Hoxie, Kansas, attending school there, and later graduating from Dodge City Community College (1972) as a licensed practical nurse. She worked at the hospital in Ulysses. Later she worked at Good Samaritan Nursing Home in Dodge City.



Lester, Donna, Holly, Lisa and Daniel, 1983

Lester and Donna were married October 14, 1972. The Germans have three children: Lisa, Holly and Daniel. Lisa Nicole was born August 6, 1978. Holly Christine was born May 11, 1981 and Daniel Ray was born July 17, 1983.

Submitted by Lester German

ISAAC PATTERSON GIBSON FAMILY Isaac "Ike" Gibson was born July 15, 1882, in Macon, Missouri, one of a family of five. His parents were Abel and Mary Jane Sinclair Gibson.

Mr. Gibson grew to manhood at Columbus, Kansas where his parents moved when he was very young.

Louella Johnston Gibson was born January 20, 1886, to James Oscar and Mary Ellen Johnston of Columbus, Kansas. There she grew to womanhood. She and Mr. Gibson were married June 25, 1905. In February, 1906, they moved to Texas where they were engaged in growing rice for the next three years.

They and their two babies, Floyd and Thenora, moved to Clark County in the year 1909. They purchased farm and ranch land. Raymond and Marie were born there. Lou and "Ike" resided on the original property until their passing. "Ike" passed away November 20, 1968 and Lou on July 2, 1969.

Lou and "Ike" were active in many civic and church affairs, through the years, and gave of themselves to their beloved community.

Their children are: Floyd (deceased), Thenora, Raymond and Marie.

Louella and Isaac Gibson, Thenora and Floyd, 1908



Their grandchildren: Floyd: Joyce Elaine Long and Janice Marie Stipp; Thenora Rutledge: Stanley (deceased), Edward and Patricia Ann Rutledge Arenburg; Raymond: David; and Marie Gibson Boyd: Glenda Jackson.

Submitted by Thenora Gibson Rutledge and Marie Gibson Boyd

#### RAYMOND GIBSON FAMILY

Raymond is the son of the late Isaac "Ike" and Louella "Lou" Gibson. He was born and raised in Clark County.

Raymond now resides on the Gibson family farm. After the death of his mother, he purchased 720 acres of his parents' farm land to enable the settlement of the estate. He farms the land and raises registered quarter horses and has two thoroughbreds, a brood mare and a young filly. His horses are his main hobby and give him much satisfaction and pride.

While growing up Raymond and his sisters, Thenora and Marie, and his brother, Floyd, walked one and one-half miles to a rural school where they received their grade school education.

Raymond finished high school in the Ashland School. There he met Frances Mull, whom he married in August, 1934. They spent 26 years together before she passed away in November, 1960. They had one son, David, whom they raised to love the

Raymond atop Julie, Spring, 1982

farm. David inherited his love for horses from his father and owns registered horses, too.

David now farms land near Dodge City. He has a great enthusiasm for the things in which he is involved.

David is married to the former Claudia Eddington. They reside in Dodge City and have two sons, Charles "Chuck" and Michael.

In November, 1980, Raymond and the former Gladys Young Thornhill were married. Gladys taught first grade for 24 years in the Protection School System. David was one of her first grade pupils. She retired in May of 1974.

Gladys enjoys life on the farm. Raymond and she redecorated the large farm home of his parents and enjoy entertaining their friends in the manner that "Ike" and "Lou" had before them.

Submitted by Gladys Gibson

#### JAMES GILLASPIE FAMILY

James Martin Gillaspie and Barbara Spangler were married June 16, 1979. Both came to Ashland as school teachers, Jim in 1975 and Barbara in 1976. It was in Ashland they met and later decided to marry.

Jim was born in Hugoton, Kansas, July 30, 1953, to Joe Martin and Juanita Mae (Hardy) Gillaspie. Jim lived in Hugoton, Coats, Lewis, Hays, Vesper, Haviland, Deerfield, and Rozel as he was growing up. Jim's father held positions as superintendent, principal and teacher in these various school districts. Jim graduated from Pawnee Heights High School in Rozel, Kansas in 1971 and then received his Bachelor of Education degree from Southwestern College, Winfield, Kansas in 1975.

Barbara was born September 20, 1953 in Wichita, Kansas to Eugene Clifford and Frances (Catlin) Spangler. She grew up in Wichita where her father was a professor at Wichita State University. Barbara attended the Wichita public schools, graduating from Wichita East High School in 1971. She then attended Wichita State University where she graduated in 1975 with a Bachelors Degree in Education.

Jim teaches fifth grade in Ashland and has coached junior high football, assisted with high school basketball and track, and has also coached summer baseball. Barbara has taught fourth and fifth grades and also mathematics at the high school.



Jim, Joel and Barbara Gillaspie, 1983

Joel Martin Gillaspie was born to Jim and Barbara on January 2, 1982, the first 1982 child born in the Ashland Hospital.

The Gillaspies are active members of the United Methodist Church.

Submitted by Barbara Gillaspie

## ANTHONY JAMES GILLESPIE

Everyone calls him Tony. He was born in Vicenza, Italy, May 12, 1962, making him a citizen of the United States and Italy. His naturalization papers were signed in 1972 so he wouldn't be drafted into the Italian Army when he became twenty-one. His father was Robert Allen and his mother Ella Kay. Tony has two sisters, Teresa (Mrs. Gary Jellison) and Debbie (Mrs. Mike Millam); two brothers Robert and Chris; a step-brother, Darin, and a step-sister, Kim (Mrs. Stan Hazen). He has lived in Sacramento, California; Manhattan, Kansas and St. Louis, Missouri. After the death of his father in 1972, he moved to Ashland, where he attended Ashland public schools until his graduation in 1980. He has enjoyed many sports with his class-mates which include football, baseball, tennis, hockey, soccer, track and golf.

Tracy and Tony Gillespie



It was at the Hutchinson Community College that he met Tracy Weigle from Burden, Kansas. They were married July 25, 1981. They have one daughter, Ashley Joy, born July 26, 1982. He is presently employed by the John Deere Company of Wichita, Kansas. Tracy is attending college at Winfield, Kansas and they are making their home in Winfield.

Submitted by Kay Gillespie Harmon

## JAKE AND EDNA GILLESPIE

"Jake" was born George James Gillespie, February 23, 1913 at Beaver, Oklahoma. His parents were William U. Gillespie, born May 7, 1877 at Charleston, West Virginia, and Sarah Ellen Petty Gillespie, born May 22, 1884, Neodesha, Kansas. They were married December 7, 1903 at Beaver, Oklahoma. William died June 15, 1946 at Laverne, Oklahoma and Sarah died October 20, 1970 at Shattuck, Oklahoma.

Jake was the sixth of fourteen children, ten daughters and four sons, born to William and Sarah Gillespie. He learned what hard work was by helping his family to scrap out a living for their large family. It wasn't all work as the love was also very strong in this large family. Everyone had to work together and share.

Jake was married to Edna May Miller, May 4, 1935 at Meade, Kansas.





George and Edna

Billie Lou, Bob and Jeanie

Jake and I had three children. A son, Robert Allen, July 2, 1936, married Ella Kay Godfrey. They had five children: Robert, Jr., Teresa, Tony, Debbie and Chris. Two daughters, Eugenia Ellen, December 19, 1937, married J. D. Peavy, having three daughters, Cynthia, Lisa and Sherri; Billie Lou, April 28, 1939, married Bob Lewis, having a son, Mark, and a daughter, Shari. Jake and I also have ten great-grandchildren.

We have worked in this community, having moved from Ditch Valley where Jake worked for Laurence Drake. We later moved to Englewood where he started working for Northern Natural Gas Co. and Grimes Home Gas, moving to Ashland in 1946. Jake died June 6, 1972 after a long illness. His son, Robert, preceded him in death by a week. Jake was known as a quiet, happy and very gentle man with a heart of gold. He loved his family and children. He never had to tell his grandchildren he loved them, they knew and felt it. The greatest of the silent loves are between grandchildren and grandparents.

I am now married to Warren Johnston. Submitted by Edna Gillespie Johnston

#### ROBERT ALLEN GILLESPIE FAMILY

Robert Allen Gillespie was born July 2, 1936 in Rosston, Oklahoma, the first of three children born to George James (Jake) and Edna May (Miller) Gillespie. He had two sisters, Eugenia and Billie Lou. He moved to Ashland in 1946 from Ditch Valley where they went to school (with his mother driving the school bus) and his father worked for Laurence Drake. Bob graduated from Ashland High School (1954). He enjoyed scouts, sports and history. He joined the United States Air Force with Richard Redfield, Keith Harvey and Gene Randall. At Lackland they were split up and Bob went to MacDill Air Force Base, Florida where he joined the Catholic Church. He was a Chaplain's Specialist, had a tour of duty in Japan and then was stationed at Altus Air Force Base, Oklahoma.

I was working in the Ashcraft Drug Store in Ashland when I met Bob. We were married December 2, 1958, in the St. Joseph's Church. We have five children: Teresa Marie, born September 20, 1959, Altus; Robert Allen, Jr., born April 17, 1961, Ashland, while his Dad was in Italy, (we joined him at Aviano Air Force Base six weeks later); Anthony James, born May 12, 1962, Vicenza, Italy; Deborah Kay was born August 28, 1964, Folsom, California, while Bob was stationed at Mather Air Force Base, Sacramento. Bob was a Staff Sgt. in the Air Force and after 12½ years returned to Manhattan to get his Masters degree in accounting at Kansas State University. He worked for J.C. Penney at Manhattan while attending college. He was accepted as senior accountant in the inorganic department at Monsanto in St. Louis. Christopher Lynn was born there, February 12, 1971.



Robert A. Gillespie in back: Robert, Jr., Teresa, Tony and Debbie (in front). Missing from picture is Chris Gillespie.

Bob worked with Monsanto for two years before his death from a heart attack, May 28, 1972. He treasured family life, and his family treasured him.

Submitted by Ella Kay Gillespie Harmon

#### ROBERT ALLEN GILLESPIE, JR.

Robert's father was Robert Allen and his mother was Ella Kay. He was born in Ashland, Kansas, April 17, 1961. When he was six weeks old his family joined his father who was stationed at Aviano Air Force Base, Aviano, Italy. Robert has two brothers, Tony and Chris, and two sisters, Teresa (Mrs. Gary Jellison) and Debbie (Mrs. Mike Millam). He also has a step-sister, Kim (Mrs. Stan Hazen) and a step-brother, Darin Harmon. Robert started to school at Mather Air Force Base, Sacramento, California, then to Manhattan, Kansas and moved to St. Louis in 1970 where he attended Baldwin School. After his father passed away in 1972, we moved to Ashland, Kansas, where he went to school until he graduated in 1979. It was at Ashland that he picked up the nickname of "Munch." Robert participated in all school sports, including football, baseball, track, basketball, soccer and hockey.

Edie and Robert Gillespie



Robert went to Hutchinson Community College working for Knightlingers Lumber Company and graduated in 1981. He met Edie Clouse while at college and they were married May 21, 1982. They have a son, Matthew Ryan. They lived at Emporia going to college there in 1982. Robert worked for Iowa Beef Packing Plant. In 1982, he joined the United States Marines and trained at San Diego, California, earning several awards. He completed instruction at the Naval Technical Training Center, Corry Station at Pensacola, Florida, where he received the Samuel F.B. Morse Award. He is now stationed at Homestead, Florida. Submitted by Kay Gillespie Harmon

## TOM AND BEV GILMORE

Tom and Bev were married May 31, 1959 in Newton, Kansas. Both attended College of Emporia. Tom graduated in 1957, Bev in 1960. They moved to Cottonwood Falls where Tom taught and coached in high school and they had a son, Mike. In 1962, they moved to Halstead where Tom taught and they had a daughter, Nancy.

Ashland first saw Tom and Bev and their two children in 1964 where Tom was employed as a teacher and coach, in all three sports. Monica, a daughter, was born to them in 1965. Tom earned a Master's degree in 1970, and Bev earned her Masters in 1979. Bev was employed by Ashland schools to teach reading and music in 1974. As the years passed by, their lives were filled with the school activities, their work in the church and with the lives of their three children.

Monica's talent in music, drama and sports matched by a drive to achieve, was rewarded with highest honors. She attained state competition four years in the discus and holds the record in 2A. In basketball she was voted all-state and H.S. All American. She was a starter in the National Junior College Tournament. Nancy, as she grew up, became people oriented and her energy was concentrated on friends and family. She attended college and is now employed as a dental assistant where her caring attitude is felt by a variety of people. Mike's activities in Ashland schools centered around music, drama and sports. He attended college where his interest varied. He is now an ambitious young journalist.

Bev is well known throughout the community for her work in the church, her musical programs and plays and musical accompanying for many occasions for friends in the community. 254 Tom has taught in Ashland schools for the past twenty years. His achievements are measured by the success of his former students. He was first awarded the J.E. Humphreys Outstanding Teacher Award in 1977. The Gilmores have grown to think of Ashland as their home and community.

Submitted by Tom Gilmore

## PHILIP AND VIRGINIA GLEN

Irving Philip Glen was born March 26, 1902 in Eugene, Oregon, the son of Dr. Irving Mackey Glen (Dean of Music, University of Washington) and Juliet Veazie. A graduate of Lincoln High School of Seattle and the University of Washington, Philip spent seventeen years in Central and South America as an executive for Singer Sewing Machine and Sterling Exports Companies.

Virginia Berryman was born September 15, 1909 in Ashland, Kansas, the daughter of J.W. Berryman (founder of the Stockgrowers State Bank and Home Lumber and Supply Company) and Nancy Annette McNickle. Virginia attended Topeka and Ashland High Schools, William Woods College in Missouri, Kansas University and the Wheelock School at Boston. Following her graduation from Wheelock, she served on the teaching staff of the Massachusetts Nursery School in Concord where she met Philip.



Virginia Berryman, 1936

Irving Philip Glen, 1936

Philip and Virginia were married in New York City on December 5, 1936 at "The Little Church Around The Corner." They lived in South America, New York, and Colorado before settling in Ashland in 1952. Philip was involved in ranching until 1960, at which time he became manager of the Clark County Abstract and Loan Company.

Philip Glen died July 6, 1966 in Wichita, Kansas. Virginia Berryman Glen died July 24, 1970 in Topeka, Kansas. They left two children: Cessna Lyle, born July 19, 1943, and Philip Scott, born June 30, 1944.

Submitted by Scott Glen

#### RAYMOND AND AMANDA GLOVER

Raymond W. Glover was born March 8, 1894, in Mason County, West Virginia. He was the sixth child in a family of 12 children--nine boys and three girls. In December, 1912, his father, Jessie W. Glover, died and in the spring of 1913 his mother, Annie Harmon Glover, moved to Ashland with seven of the ten living children. The oldest son, Joe, was working in Clark County and had written home to tell his mother this was a land of opportunity.

After coming to Ashland, Raymond worked for farmers and ranchers in the area. April 1, 1918, he enlisted in the army and served in France with the American Expeditionary Forces as a runner or messenger. He was in Company "F" of the 353rd infantry, and fought in the St. Mihiel and Meuse-Argonne battles. He was entitled to wear one Gold Service Chevron. An honorable discharge was given to him June 1, 1919.

Paralleling this period of time a baby daughter was born August 8, 1900, to Mennonite immigrant parents Susanna and Adam Jantzen. She was born in a sod house in Marion County, Kansas and was given the name Amanda. In 1905, Amanda moved with her family to their homestead in Woods County, Oklahoma, where they lived until 1915. Here Amanda shared in the hardships of a pioneer family with her parents, one sister and five brothers.

The family moved from Oklahoma to Copeland, Kansas and later to Scott City, Kansas and finally settled in the neighboring town of Protection in 1919.

In 1925 while helping Mrs. Mary Stephens at the Stephens ranch, Amanda met a young man named Raymond Glover who was also working at the ranch. Three years later on November 28, they were married at the Ashland Methodist Church and for the remainder of their lives Ashland was home.

After their marriage Amanda became a full-time home maker. As time passed three daughters were born: Maxine in 1931, Ella Rae in 1934 and Emma Mae in 1936. Raymond continued in farm and ranch work for awhile and then for several years served as Ashland City Marshall. Raymond became employed in 1941 by the Kansas State Highway Department and continued this work until his retirement in 1962. He and Amanda always took pride in their home and their work believing that anything worth doing was worth doing well.

As the years passed, Raymond and Amanda truly became one. They spent long hours working together in their yard and garden. But they also knew how to play together and took several long trips to different states. But as time took its toll they were content to read, watch TV or take walks together. They loved their family and were happiest when the three daughters, three sonsin-law and ten grandchildren were gathered around the long dining table in their home. As Raymond and Amanda grew older, their love became more tender and every family member knew the joy of being cherished.

Raymond died in June, 1978 and Amanda followed him into eternity in June of 1983.

Submitted by Maxine Hulstine

## JOHN WESLEY, JR. AND ROSEMARY BROADIE GOINGS

John Wesley Goings, Jr. was born February 16, 1933 in Godfrey, Illinois to John Wesley and Minnie Mae Whitaker Goings. "Jack" 'attended Alton High School and graduated in 1951. Jack served in the United States Air Force from 1951 to June 2, 1956, serving as a Navigator-Bombardier Instructor. Following his release, he worked for Western Electric two years. He graduated from Washburn University in 1963 with a B.B.A. Degree. He moved to Ashland in 1964 to work in the Citizens State Bank. He is now Executive Vice-President and Managing Officer. Jack is a member and Past President of the Ashland Chamber of Commerce; Ashland Jaycees, 20 year member of the Clark County Fair Board where he served as Treasurer; Past President of the Ashland Kiwanis Club; Past Lieutenant Governor of the Kansas District of Kiwanis; Ashland Masonic Lodge, Wichita Consistory and the Midian Shrine Temple; football official for 25 years; Ashland Boy Scout Council; Finance committee of the Tumbleweed Girl Scout Council; Delta Sigma Pi; and is a 1968 graduate of the Graduate School of Banking at the University of Wisconsin.

Rosemary Broadie Goings was born December 29, 1937 in Wichita, Kansas to George Elmore and Mary Louise Lonker Broadie. She attended schools in Ashland and graduated in 1955. She attended Monticello College, Godfrey, Illinois and Kansas University, where she majored in music education. On September 10, 1957, she and John Wesley Goings, Jr. were married. They lived in Topeka for 8 years before moving to Ashland. To this union there are two children, Marianne and John Wesley III. Rosemary is a member and Past President of the P.E.O. Sisterhood; Delta Delta Delta Alumni; Treasurer of the Prairie Hills Cowbelles; Kansas Cowbelles; past member of the Ashland Library Board; the Kansas University Alumni; neighborhood chairman of the Tumblewood Girl Scout Council; director of the Citizens State Bank and a piano teacher. She and Jack belong to the Presbyterian Church and the Ashland Country Club.

Marianne Goings Nichols was born January 29, 1959 in Topeka, Kansas. She and John Stephen Nichols, Nevada, Missouri, were married December 29, 1979 in Ashland. They now reside in Chandler, Arizona.



John, Rosemary and Jack Goings

John Wesley Goings III was born October 19, 1963 in Topeka, Kansas. At a very early age, his interest in sports became very apparent. He also learned to drive at the age of five and drove the pickup, helping his Dad feed cattle. He played football, basketball and golf for Ashland High School. He attended Arizona State University his freshman year and is now attending Fort Hays State University, majoring in business.

Submitted by Rosemary Goings

#### GOOD FAMILY

V.R. (Buck) Good was born in Brownfield, Texas, the youngest son of Milton and Carrie Kyle Good. A graduate of Dickens High School, he served 3 years in the United States Coast Guard during World War II. Upon discharge from the service, he came to Clark County in 1945.

Joy Jackson Good was born and raised in the Sitka community. She was the only child of Will and May Seacat Jackson. After graduation from Ashland High School, she attended Wesley Hospital School of Nursing in Wichita, Kansas. Buck and Joy were married in 1948. They are the parents of two children, Kyle and Levell, both of whom were born in the old Ashland Hospital. The Goods moved to Beaver, Oklahoma in 1959. There Buck was employed by an oil company and Joy worked at the Beaver County Hospital. She served as Director of Nurses for 14 years. At this time the Goods are enjoying retirement at their home in Beaver. They are members of the United Methodist Church.



Joy and V.R. Good, 1983

Kyle, a graduate of Beaver High School and Panhandle State University, lives near Pawhuska, Oklahoma. He is employed by Elanco as a range specialist.

Levell Good Clark is also a graduate of Beaver schools and

Southwestern University. She is an R.N. in the Clinton Regional Hospital. Her daughter, Sarah, is 10 years old and occupies a special place in the Good family.

Submitted by Joy Good

## G.W. GOOD FAMILY

Dub and Novell Good moved to Ashland in 1940 from Amarillo, Texas with their two daughters, Lavoy, age 7, and Ina Floy, age 9. Both Dub and Novell were born and reared in the Texas Panhandle. Dub was a horseman and rancher. They made their home in Ashland until 1955. They lived in Oklahoma and Texas until retirement in 1980. Then they bought a home in Moline, Kansas, where they are busy training and racing quarter horses.

Novell and Dub Good, 1980 50th wedding anniversary





1983 - Ina Floy and Mel Geir family and Lavoy and Harold Sheel family. Left to right: Lyle and Kathy (Geier) Sankey, Bill and Wynona Sheel, children Stacy and Annie Lavoy (held by Lavon), Lavoy and Harold Sheel, Sandra Sheel and Mary Sheel, Mel and Ina Floy Geier, David and Kaye (Geier) Barthuly

Lavoy graduated from Ashland High School in 1951. She attehded College of Emporia two years and then KSU, where she graduated with a BS degree in Elementary Education. She married Harold Sheel from Moline, Kansas in 1956. They have made their home in Moline where Harold is in the oil business. They have three children - Bill and his wife Wynona, Greeley, Colorado; Sandra, Little Rock, Arkansas; and Mary Ann, also of Little Rock.

Ina Floy graduated from Ashland High School in 1949. She attended College of Emporia, graduating with a BA degree in Education. She married Melvin Geier from Girard, Kansas, who also graduated from College of Emporia with a degree in Education. Mel was assistant coach and then head coach at Ashland High School from 1956-1961. Ina Floy taught in the elementary school. They have two daughters--Kathy and Kaye. Kaye was born in Ashland. Kathy is married to Lyle Sankey and they live in Branson, Missouri. Kaye is married to David Barthuly and they live in Wichita. Mel retired from coaching and counseling at Larned High School in 1973 and is manager of Pawnee Beefbuilders Feedlot. Ina Floy teaches sixth grade in an elementary school in Larned.

Submitted by Ina Floyd Geier

# BEN ROBERT AND JOANN GOODNIGHT

Ben Robert (Bob) Goodnight was born August 17, 1930 (at 256

the Ashland home of Mr. Ben Roberts) to Paul A. Goodnight and Pearl Esta (Kite) Goodnight, residents of Englewood. Bob's grandfather, Frank Goodnight, a cattleman, was one of the first residents in the Englewood area. Bob had two sisters, Alene LaDoris, who died soon after birth, and Wanda Lee Stone, who died at age 38 in September, 1966. Bob attended Englewood school and as a young man went to work for the large Theis Ranch in Englewood where he was employed at the time of his marriage to Joann.

Mary Joann Weikal, born October 12, 1934 to Esther and Dennis Weikal, lived in Ashland and places afar. She attended schools in Ashland, Cheyenne Wells and Denver, Colorado and a year and a half in Santa Fe, New Mexico, graduating from high school there May, 1952. She and Bob were married November 10, 1952.



Ben Robert and Mary Joann Goodnight

Bob and Joann traveled for approximately seven years working mostly with Joann's step-father, 'Tex' Parker, her mother and step-brother, Joneal Parker, in New Mexico. In 1956 they pulled their mobil home to where Bob worked underground, mining uranium at Rattlesnake Mine, LaSal, Utah. Joann worked at the 1st Security Bank of Moab until their son David was born in November, 1959. Moving back to Ashland September, 1960, Bob worked in farming and ranching until 1963 when he was employed by the Clark Co. Highway Department.

Bob and Joann accepted Christ into their lives at the 1st Southern Baptist Church in Moab, Utah; their present church home being the 1st Church of God in Ashland. In addition to their concern for their family, they minister spiritual support to several of the imprisoned and are interested in prison reform.

Both are proud to be 'third generation' Clark Countians. Submitted by Joann Goodnight

### DAVID L. TERRI AND CHRISTOPHER GOODNIGHT

David Lee Goodnight was born in the Allen Memorial Hospital in Moab, Utah on November 24, 1959 to Ben Robert and Joann Goodnight. David was an only child. During his first year he moved with his parents, first to Albuquerque, New Mexico, then in September of 1960 to Ashland.

David attended Ashland schools from kindergarten to his high school graduation in May, 1978. His favorite sport was tennis. He attended Garden City Community College for two years majoring in drama and vocal music. David was a member of the Ashland Methodist Church.

In October of 1980 he moved to Albuquerque where he lived with friends and worked for Wiley Construction Co. running heavy equipment. He met Terri Allinder and her two year old son, Chrostpher Scott, in September of 1981. They returned to David's home in Ashland for their vows of matrimony May, 1982 at the First Baptist Church of Ashland.

Terri Lynn Short was born April 29, 1962 at Azle, Texas to Leon and Sue Short. She attended school there until 16 then finished high school in Albuquerque. Terri was an employee of Southwestern Bell Telephone when she and David were married. In December of 1982, David, Terri and Chris moved to Texas. Terri is employed by the Texas American Bank of Fort Worth in Fort Worth and David is employed by the Halmac Corporation in their Irrigation and Sprinkler System Department.

The family increased by one when on February 9, 1984, Zackery Shea was born.

David, Terri and Christopher



David, Terri and sons live in a mobil home in the lake area of Pelican Bay outside of Azle, Texas.

Submitted by Joann Goodnight

## OLIS GLEN GOODNIGHT FAMILY

Olis G. Goodnight, Jr. was born October 29, 1929 in Ashland, Kansas to Olis and Iona Goodnight of Englewood, Kansas. He attended grades 1-12 there graduating in 1947. He enlisted in the Navy in 1950 and was stationed in San Diego, California for about two years. On October 5, 1952 he married Shirley Ione Franks, the daughter of James and Kitty Franks of Bloom, Kansas. She was born on February 29, 1932 and attended Bloom school, graduating in 1950. The Goodnights were transferred to Kodiak, Alaska for about two years. Their first child, Sherre, was born there. In 1954 they returned to the Englewood area to begin farming and ranching in Clark and Meade counties.

Their children are: Sherre Diane, born April 1, 1954; Dana Gaye, born March 14, 1955; Gayle Lynn, born August 21, 1959 and Greg Wayne, born December 1, 1961.



Sherre Diane Goodnight Harrington, Olis Glen Goodnight, Shirley Franks Goodnight, Gayle Lynn Goodnight, Dana Gaye Goodnight Waits. Back row: Greg Wayne Goodnight

The Goodnights have been active members of the Englewood Christian Church. Olis enjoys raising thoroughbred horses and watching them race. Another favorite pastime is enjoying their five grandsons. They are Matthew David Waits, Mark Allan Waits, Seth Adam Harrington, Clark Andrew Harrington and Justin Waco Goodnight.

Submitted by Dana Waits

#### **GRACIE BELL GOODRICH**

Gracie Bell Harkness was born December 18, 1906 in a sod

house in Scott County, Kansas. She was one of fifteen children born to Charles Emit and Delia Ding Harkness. She attended a country school and graduated from the eighth grade and then made her living working for many years as housekeeper and companion for several families.

On July 22, 1943, she married John Grandville Ehret (died February 3, 1946), a farmer. They made their home on a farm at Leoti, Kansas. Upon John's death, she moved home to live with her mother until her marriage to Charlie Goodrich on October 29, 1948. Charlie was a carpenter and she helped him put on many a roof. He died November 7, 1953, and in the spring of 1954 she moved to Ashland working at the 'Best Cafe,' 'Old Nursing Home' and then became a companion to Helen Rankin.



Family of Gracie Goodrich taken September of 1982. Back row: Son John Ehret, Don Ehret, Pfc. John W. Cook, Pfc. Robert H. Cook II, Dan Ehret, son-in-law, Robert H. Cook. Front row: Daughter-in-law Janet Ehret, Gracie Goodrich holding Leslie Cook, daughter Mary L. Cook.

Her children are daughter Mary L. Cook of Ashland, born March 15, 1944, married to Robert H. Cook December 7, 1962. Son John Ehret of Laverne, Oklahoma, born August 20, 1945, married Janet Dunsworth May 27, 1969.

She is a member of the Church of God. Her pride and joy are her grandchildren: PFC Robert H. Cook II, married Marnie Granoff, January 14, 1984; PFC John W. Cook; Don Ehret; Dan Ehret; and her only granddaughter, Leslie Cook.

She is retired and lives at 712 Cedar.

Submitted by Mary L. Cook

#### CHARLES GRAFF FAMILY

Charles Wesley Graff, the sixth of seven children born to Edward F. and Estella Hockett Graff, was born on November 23, 1905 on a claim near Brule, Indian Territory (now Harper County, Oklahoma). In 1914, the family settled in Ashland, and Charles attended the Ashland public schools. Due to the death of his mother at an early age, and the nature of the times, it was necessary for him to work at a number of odd jobs. He would speak, in later years, of working in the broomcorn fields and trapping animals to sell the hides.

Bernice Odean Haskell was born in Beaver County, Oklahoma,

Charles, Bernice, Margaret and Dean Graff, about 1943



May 29, 1906, the youngest of five children of A.A. "Lonnie" and Etta Loller Haskell. She attended Elmwood rural school and Panhandle A. & M. College, obtaining her teacher's certificate. She taught at Elmwood and married Charles Graff on December 29, 1926. They had two children, Dean Charles and Margaret Marie. In 1938, they moved to a farm near Ashland where Bernice still resides.

Charley was respected in the Ashland community, a member of the Methodist Church. Stricken by cancer, 1973, his faith was a source of great strength. He died October 17, 1974, Dodge City, and is buried at Highland Cemetery.

Farm and family were central to their lives. Charley and "Boon" played an active role in the lives of their six grandchildren and five great-grandchildren, and her home continues as the meeting place with her table surrounded by family. She belongs to the Christian Church and is a 40-year member of the Bear Creek Home Demonstration Unit.

Submitted by Darren Graff

## DALEN DEE AND LYNN RILEY GRAFF

Dalen Dee was born September 14, 1962, child of Dean and Donna Keasling Graff. He graduated from Ashland High School in the Class of 1980, and later attended United Welding Institute in Oklahoma City. He currently operates Graff Well Service. He is married to the former Lynn (Brooks) Riley, and they are the parents of one daughter, Rebecca Faye (born July 19, 1982) and twin sons, Jason Dee and Robert Charles, born on May 8, 1983. Dee and Lynn currently live in Ashland.

Submitted by Darren Graff

## DARREN DEAN GRAFF

Darren Dean, son of Dean and Donna Keasling Graff, was born November 25, 1951. He graduated with the Class of 1969 at Ashland High, and was active in church activities, 4-H, Young Democrats and speech forensics. He graduated from Phillips University, Enid, Oklahoma in May of 1973, and attended Asbury Theological Seminary, Wilmore, Kentucky. Darren served as pastor of the Burchfiel-Bluff City United Methodist Churches from 1970-1973, and the Edmond Mennonite Brethren Church, Edmond, Oklahoma until 1975. He has made his home in the Oklahoma City area since 1974. He is currently employed by Cities Service Oil and Gas Corporation, and attends Oklahoma City University School of Law.

Submitted by Darren Graff

## DEAN AND DONNA GRAFF

Dean Charles Graff was born on December 3, 1929 in Beaver, Oklahoma, to Charles Wesley and Bernice Haskell Graff. He attended Sitka Grade School and Ashland High School, where he was active in sporting events, lettering in football and track.

A set of twins were born on July 6, 1934 at Protection, Kansas, to Dale Ellsworth and Irene Barnes Keasling. They were named Donna Irene and Donald Dale. For a short time the family resided in Comanche County, later Florence, Colorado, and eventually Ashland, where Donna attended Ashland schools. She is a member of the Methodist Church and has given fully of her life in her role as farm-wife and mother.

Donna and Dean were married at Meade, Kansas by the Rev. Lovelady and are the parents of four children: Darren Dean (November 25, 1951), Douglas Charles (February 12, 1954), Dalen Dee (September 14, 1962) and Donita Lynnette (November 19, 1964). They have lived in the Ashland area all of their adult 258



Dean Graff family. Darren, Doug, Donna, Dean, Donita, Dee

lives, and have resided on a farm 4½ miles east of Ashland since 1955. Their family and the farm have been central to their lives. Dean has farmed all of his life, first with his dad, assuming full operation of the farming operations on the death of his dad in 1974.

Donita is now 19 years old and lives at home with her parents. She enjoys reading, music, and TV.

Submitted by Darren Graff

## DOUGLAS AND CATHY EDIGER GRAFF

Douglas Graff, son of Dean and Donna Graff, was born February 12, 1954. He graduated from Ashland High School in 1972, and was married to Cathy Dianne Ediger on June 4, 1972 at Meade, Kansas.

To this union two children were born: Shawn Douglas on July 27, 1973 and Brian Christopher on January 21, 1975. Doug and his boys have lived on the Bearcreek Ranch since 1975. Shawn and Brian both attend Ashland Grade Schools. Doug has continued the family farming tradition and is currently engaged in farming with his dad.

Submitted by Darren Graff

# EDWARD GRAFF FAMILY

Edward Francis Graff, son of Peter and Elenore Yoas Graff, was born in Bond County, Illinois, near Dudleyville, on April 12, 1867. He was one of seven children, part of a group of German immigrants who settled in western Illinois. Estella Hockett was born August 20, 1867 near Smith Grove, Illinois to William Wilford and Orphia Witham Hockett of German descent. They married September 13, 1888 at Greenville, Illinois and seven children were born: Florence Ann (Mrs. Floyd Cosby), 1889; Lloyd Edward, 1891; Mabel Adelle (Mrs. Ross Price), 1895; Eva Grace (Mrs. Art Miller), 1898; Bertha Irene (Mrs. Willard Bengston), 1900; Charles Wesley, 1905 and Howard Pat, 1908.

Edward was the only offspring of Peter and Elenore to marry. In 1900, they took their three children westward, settling near Brule, Indian Territory (Harper County, Oklahoma) where four children were born. Their belongings were shipped by train to Ashland, then taken by wagon. They returned to Illinois (1909), moved to Vinita, Oklahoma, and made Ashland home (1914). They intended to settle farther west, however, Mrs. Graff's health

Edward Francis and Estella Hockett Graff Wedding Day, September 13, 1888



was such that Clark County would be their home . . . for four generations.

Estella, a member of the Free Methodist Church, succumbed to tuberculosis, July 29, 1917, and is buried at Highland Cemetery. Edward Graff operated a filling station, later served as city marshall. Their sod house was in southwest Ashland. He died, August 7, 1929. Denver, Colorado, and is buried at Highland Cemetery.

They exemplified pioneer spirit and determination. Seven children lived to maturity, three survive: Florence, Eva and Bertha.

Submitted by Darren Graff

The family came in an emigrant band to Brule, Oklahoma, which is now Buffalo, in 1900 and settled on a homestead 5 miles west of the city.

The four younger Graff children all attended school in Ashland. Edward Graff moved from Ashland to Denver, Colorado in 1923 uniting in marriage to Ida Revis, living in Denver until his death in 1929.



Back row: Eva Graff Miller, Lloyd Graff and Bertha Bengston. Front row: Florence Graff Cosby, Howard (Pat) Edward, Estella, Charles and Mabel Graff Price.

A note of interest is the fact that Delores Graff Owens, granddaughter of Edward Graff, and her husband, John, recently bought land at Buffalo, Oklahoma that her grandfather had homesteaded on in 1900.

Submitted by Virginia Miller Raynor, granddaughter

#### NELL THOMAS GRAY FAMILY

Nell Thomas, oldest daughter of R.D. and Anna Smith, moved to Ashland with her two children, Charles and Elaine, in 1925 after her husband drowned in Galveston in a fishing accident. She opened a variety store on Main Street which she operated until 1927 when she married Jack A. Gray and moved away.

She returned for a brief period with her four children in 1933-1934. Her son Charles died of an illness in 1929. Four boys were Fannie Smith Crosby in Nellie Thomas Gray variety store in Ashland, Kansas, east side of Main Street around 1926.



born to her second marriage, Robert, Jack, Tom and Walter. She died in 1968.

Elaine lives in St. Petersburg, Florida; Robert and Jack live in Siloam Springs, Arkansas; Tom lives in Colorado Springs, Colorado; and Walter lives in Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Submitted by Elaine Mendenhall

#### CHARLES E. GREENE, SR.

Charles Edgar Greene, Sr. was born December 18, 1877 in Adams County, New York. Soon after, his family came to Peabody, Kansas, where on June 8, 1904, he married Elizabeth Berns, formerly of Hanover, Kansas. Charles began his working life in a mercantile store, but the doctor advised outdoor work due to a family weakness for tuberculosis; so, Charles went into farming and ranching, running a haying crew and a Purebred Poland China operation as well as raising Merino sheep. In 1917, he and his wife's family formed the partnership of Berns and Greene. This partnership bought land in Clark County which was part of the old Bar-B-Q Campbell spread. The men in the family endured bachelor quarters until 1922 when Elizabeth and the rest of the family moved to Clark County, also. Charles, Jr. remembers they bought the Caseman quarter because it had good water on it. In 1922, they rented a section from Bill Carson, ten miles south of Minneola and lived on that site until 1928. They broke out farmland on the site of what (until recently) was known as the Greene ranch, using a steam engine which simultaneously pulled a sod plow, a tandem disc, and a drill.

In 1927-28, Charles, Sr. bought a house and moved it to his share of the land from the Berns-Greene partnership. This is the core of the north house on the former Ashland Greene ranch. They bought a corrugated iron sheep shed off the Denton ranch for \$100, and built the present-day barn and granary from it.

The depression caused the splitting of the partnership with Charles, Sr. retaining the Clark County property. At times, the family lived in Dodge City and on the Mull ranch, but the balance of their life was spent on the Greene ranch. Elizabeth was killed in an automobile accident in Dodge City, in February, 1950.

Their children are: Mary Elizabeth Bolimger Hunter, Arvada, Colorado; Charles Jr., Maxon (deceased); David, El Dorado. Charles, Jr. was born November 9, 1907, in Peabody, Kansas and lives in Ashland with his wife, Lucile Watts Greene and their family grew up on the Greene ranch.

Submitted by Pricilla Greene

#### CHARLES E. GREENE, JR.

Charles E. Greene, Jr. came with his family to the Clark County area in 1922. He graduated from Minneola High School and attended Kansas State College. He worked for the Berns-Greene partnership until the depression forced the break-up of that organization in 1932. On August 2, 1930, Lucile Watts Pechin and Charles E. Greene, Jr. were married in his parent's home at 1302 C in Dodge City. They lived for a time on the Greene ranch in the present north house where Lucile remembers she used some wedding gift money to install a propane light in the kitchen. In 1932, they moved to a little stone house on the Denton Ranch where in August their first child, Charles Gordon, was born. By March, 1933, they were located on a place a mile east of Cimarron. By January, 1934, they were in Dodge City where Charles worked for Hulpieu Dairy and they lived in a new house which had a bath and lavatory though water had to be hauled in. When Hulpieu traded his dairy for a Comanche County ranch in 1935, they moved there to run it. Their daughter, Janatha, was born at that location. In 1936 and 1937, the family lived in Wichita. There Charles drove a taxi and worked for Beech. Robert was born there in 1936 and Roger in 1937. Aspen and Grand Junction, Colorado, were home to them from 1939 to 1941. Charles did road construction and sewer system installation work, dude ranch and cattle ranch work in that area. Richard was born in Grand Junction in 1939 and Beth in Aspen in 1941.

The beginning of World War II and 1942 brought them back to Meade so that Charles, who worked at the Army Air Bases in Tinker, Oklahoma, Garden City and Dodge City, found work. The family moved to Dodge City in August of 1943. The youngest daughter, Margaret, was born there just a few days after their move. Following the war, Charles worked for a time for Fansler Tires, and then the family moved to the Ashland ranch in 1945. All of the children graduated from Ashland High School.

After eighteen years on the ranch, Lucile and Charles purchased the Greene Liquor Store from their son, Richard, and his wife, Jody. They operated it for fourteen years, then selling it to Dale Perkins. Charles continued his cattle interests until 1967 and worked at times for Clint Rankins Veterinary Clinic and the South Sale in Dodge City. He served from 1957 to 1960 as a Clark County Commissioner and did volunteer work for the Ashland Chamber of Commerce for several years. The entire family was active for a number of years in 4-H and extension work in Clark County.

Lucile and Charles have not only lived in a number of interesting places; they have also traveled extensively. Lucile estimates she has lived in 14 towns, 12 counties and 48 houses and has been in all 48 states, Canada and Mexico and has spent the night, while traveling, in all but 5 states and over 100 towns. In 1980, Charles took a Caribbean cruise.

Lucile has worked in a number of local businesses. She cooked and waited tables in her father's Gem Cafe besides working at various times in Prim's, Gambles, the school lunchroom, the City Library, McDonald's Furniture Store, Urban's Grocery, two dime stores, Greene's Liquor Store, Haelsigs Clothing Store and the *Clark County Clipper*. When the family lived in Meade, she and Pearl Cary put out the Meade paper by themselves after Pearl's husband was suddenly called into the service. Lucile also worked in the Marrs and Twist Variety Store in Meade. Her daughter, Mary Joan, took care of all the children as her husband was also in the service, and she disliked living alone. When she lived in Dodge City, prior to her marriage to Charles, Lucile also worked for a time at Eckles.

Submitted by Priscilla Greene

The children and grandchildren taken at their 50th wedding anniversary in Syracuse, August 2, 1980.



#### CHARLES G. GREENE, SR.

Charles Gordon Greene was born in Minneola, Kansas in August of 1932 to Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Greene, Jr. He attended school in Aspen, Colorado; Meade and Dodge City, Kansas, before his parents moved back to the Ashland area. He completed grade and high school in Ashland in 1951. In 1953, he enlisted in the U.S. Army, serving during the Korean conflict, and he was discharged in 1955. He attended Ft. Hays State University one semester and Panhandle A & M in Goodwell, Oklahoma, for two years. In May of 1958, Charles Gordon and Frozene Lampe of Dodge City were married. He worked at the South Sale for fourteen years, then for Ripple & Liebl and Champlin veterinary clinics. In 1972, he began his present career as a Federal Meat Inspector at plants in Liberal, Great Bend and Dodge City. At the present time, he is employed in this capacity in Mexico, Missouri.

Frozene has worked in Dodge City for St. Anthony's Hospital, as a dispatcher for the police department and as a day care center operator. She also did day care work in Liberal. In Great Bend, she was a bookkeeper for a local grocery chain. She and Charles Gordon have long been interested in archery. Both have brought home several deer as well as won many trophies in contests. Frozene was National Outdoor Archery Champion in Ladies Bare Bow competition in 1976. In 1977 and 1978, she won first in that division in the national indoor competition in Las Vegas.



Charles Gordon and Frozene Greene, Twila, Nina, Roseann, Galen, Jacquie and C.G., Jr.

Charles Gordon and Frozene have six children. The oldest, Twila, is secretary for Penn Mutual Life in Dodge City. 1st Lt. Nina Greene currently serves with the U.S. Army in Germany. Rosann Greene just recently graduated from Pittsburg State University with a B.S. degree in Business. Jacque Greene (Gibson) and her husband, John, are stationed at Newport News, Virginia, where he is in the U.S. Marines. They have two children. Charles Gordon, Jr., now with the U.S. Army and undergoing training at Fort Knox, Kentucky, is married to the former Melinda Breid of Mexico, Missouri. The youngest, Galen, is a student in the Mexico, Missouri High School and plans to attend college.

Submitted by Priscilla Greene

#### **RICHARD LEE GREENE**

Richard Lee Greene is the fifth child of Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Greene, Jr. He was born in May of 1939 in Grand Junction,

Shane, Jody, Richard, Don and Duane Greene, 1980



Colorado. He attended school in Dodge City and Ashland and graduated from Ashland High School in 1957, attended Panhandle A & M at Goodwell, Oklahoma for a year. He married Jody Main of Dodge City in November of 1959.

They have four sons. Duane, born in September of 1960, recently graduated from Panhandle A & M with a B.S. in Industrial Education. Donald was born in September of 1961. He attended Dodge City Community College and the Amarillo Vocational School in boot making and repair. He assists his father in their shoe shop and works for Hugoton farmers. Shane will graduate this spring from Rolla High School where he is an honor roll student and football player. He plans to attend college next year. Burk attends Rolla elementary school.

Richard spent twenty-five years of his life as a cowboy in western Kansas and southwestern Colorado, also being in demand as a farrier. He and Jody owned and managed Greene's Liquor Store from 1961-1963. He attended the Golden Leaf Farrier School in South Dakota in 1963. In 1982, he opened a saddle and shoe repair shop in Elkhart, moving it to Del Norte, Colorado, in 1982-1983, then to Hugoton in 1983. Jody has maintained a life-time passion for horses, taking her own barrel-racing horse on the rodeo circuit after high school. She was second in Kansas barrel racing one year. She is now a trainer for Willoughby & Henson Paints of Hugoton.

Submitted by Priscilla Greene

## ROBERT MAXON GREENE

Robert Maxon Greene was born in Wichita, Kansas to Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Greene, Jr. in 1936, moved with his parents to Colorado and back to Meade and Dodge City in Kansas before the family returned to Clark County in 1945. Robert attended elementary schools in Meade, Dodge City and Ashland and graduated from Ashland High School in 1955. After graduation, he worked for the Minneola Coop, then in 1957, Robert enlisted in the U.S. Army. Following this enlistment, he began college work at Panhandle A & M in Goodwell, Oklahoma, where he met and married Earlene Anderson of Perryton, Texas in 1960. In 1958, they transferred to Northwestern Oklahoma State. They both graduated from there in May of 1961. Their older daughter, Robin, was born in Perryton in May of 1961. A second daughter, Tanda, came in November of 1963.

Robert's first teaching position was in the Satanta Elementary School while Earlene was employed by that same district to teach physical education to both elementary and secondary students. Robert returned to mortuary school in Dallas in 1969 while Earlene taught in a Carrollton, Texas elementary school. Robert was first employed as a mortician at Moreland, Oklahoma. Earlene worked as a bookkeeper for the Woodward PCA. In 1971, the family moved to Lone Wolf where Robert managed the mortuary for the Lone Wolf Coop and Earlene taught physical education. Robert was employed by Swaim Mortuary in 1974 to manage its Dighton Mortuary. Earlene taught business and

Back: Earlene and Bob. Front: Robin and Tanda Greene



commercial courses in the Dighton High School during this time. The year, 1979, saw the Robert Greenes in possession of their own funeral home in Syracuse. Earlene also is head bookkeeper for the Syracuse John Deere dealership. In addition she has always assisted Robert in the funeral home. They both enjoy golfing and playing bridge.

Robin is a Ft. Hays State mathematics graduate where she also played basketball on a full scholarship. Tanda attends Kansas State University, majoring in finance.

Submitted by Priscilla Greene

## ROGER ALLEN GREENE

Roger Allen Greene lived in Wichita, Colorado, Meade and Dodge City before his family moved to the Greene ranch west and north of Ashland. He attended school in Dodge City and Ashland, graduating from Ashland High School in 1956. He remembers "Prof" Humphreys' emphasis on scholarship in all academic areas as one of the really important influences there. He attended college at Ft. Hays State for three semesters, transferring to Kansas State University at that time. He graduated with a B.S. in Animal Science in 1961 and completed graduate work in economics as well. He and his wife, Pat, met while both worked at summer jobs at Rock Springs 4-H Ranch. She is from Goodland and is also a KSU graduate with a B.S. and M.S. in Speech and English Education. They have two children. Earl, born in September of 1961, now lives in Dodge City where he is employed by the Right Coop and attends Dodge City Community College. Elizabeth was born in December of 1963 and is presently undergoing military police training in the U.S. Army at Ft. McClellan, Alabama.



Roger, Elizabeth, Pat and Earl Greene, 1980

Roger has worked as a herdsman for Antioch Ranch in Johnson County, as a cowboy and bookkeeper for A.I.D. Feedlot in Hugoton, as a fieldman for Farmland Industries, as a manager of the KSU Student Union Recreation Center and for twenty years for coops in Junction City, Minneola, Anthony, Ensign, St. Francis, Greensburg and Wright. Presently, he is Crop Production Manager of the Right Coop.

Priscilla (Pat) has taught speech or English for 22 years in several schools in Kansas, including two years in Ashland. Presently, she coaches debate and speech at Pratt High School where three of her five teams have gone to state, the 1984 one having placed third. Both Pat and Roger enjoy visiting the Southwest and spend much time pursuing their interest in Native American folklore.

Submitted by Priscilla Greene

#### GILBERT S. AND GAIL E. (LESLIE) GRIBBLE

Gilbert was born September 26, 1906 to Samuel Grant and Cora R. (Burket) Gribble, Ashland. He attended grades 1-12 in the Ashland schools and began his college education in the fall of 1925, at Emporia State Teachers' College. Following one year of college, he started teaching and continued teaching each winter and attending summer school until he received his degree, in 1938, from Northwestern State College, Alva, Oklahoma. He continued to teach and coach for 10 more years, always having a great interest in young people and many of those whose lives he touched, while teaching in Wyoming, Oklahoma and Kansas, remember him with respect and fondness. In 1948, Gilbert joined the American Red Cross staff, as a field representative in Safety Services, serving in Oklahoma, Kansas, New Mexico, Wyoming, Colorado, and Texas. He was very near retirement from his Red Cross duties at the time of death.

On February 17, 1924, Gilbert married Gail E. Leslie, daughter of U.G. and Brettie Leslie of Ashland.

Gail was born April 15, 1904, near Kinsley, Kansas, where her parents had married in 1893, moving to the Bear Creek valley area of Clark County in 1910. Gail attended Bear Creek rural school grades 1-8, then went into Ashland to attend high school. Upon her graduation, she returned to teach at Bear Creek school, until her marriage to Gilbert. Gail was always supportive of Gilbert's livelihood endeavors and active in her church and community, no matter where they resided. Both Gilbert and Gail enriched the lives of the endless number of friends they made during their many years of traveling for Red Cross.

To their marriage were born two children: Betty Joan, now Mrs. Wayne D. Litton, of Hutchinson, Kansas, and Stanley G., presently of Springfield, Illinois. There are six grandchildren: Jim, Terry and Scott Gribble, sons of Stanley; and Dale and Kent Litton, and Leslie Ann Yraceburn, children of Betty and Wayne.

Gilbert died August 17, 1971. Gail moved to Hutchinson, where she resided until her death, March 16, 1976.

Submitted by Betty J. Litton

## JOHN BELL GRIEVES

The present Snake Creek Ranch was acquired by John Bell Grieves. Mr. Grieves was an oilman from Oklahoma when he obtained most of the ranch from John Edwards and Otto Theis. He had the large brick and tile ranch house, bunkhouse, concrete block machine shed, granary and extensive corrals built in 1928. The materials were shipped to Sitka by train and then taken the twelve miles to the ranch by Mr. Grieves' oil field trucks. These buildings were all constructed by 7th Day Adventists. Mr. Grieves also drilled many water wells and built many concrete reservoirs and concrete water tanks on the ranch.

In the '30's Mr. Grieves was forced by hard times to return to the oil fields. He is credited, in his time, with drilling the first deep oil well in Oklahoma. Mr. Grieves and his wife Paulena had their home in Bartlesville, Oklahoma.

The Grieves had one child, a daughter, Cecile Harriet, born February 9, 1904. Cecile was married to Charles E. Tuttle in 1930. To this union two sons were born, John Roy Tuttle in 1931, and C.E. Tuttle, Jr. in 1935. The C.E. Tuttles lived on the ranch for only two years, 1930-1932. They returned to Kansas City, Missouri where Mr. Tuttle was employed.



Paulena Grieves, Cecile and Charles E. Tuttle and John Bell Grieves, 1931 262 From 1931 to 1933 the ranch was leased to Pearl Abell. Then, for the next 20 years was leased to Earl Alexander. Glen and Fannie Nicholson moved onto the ranch to be Mr. Alexander's foreman. Verle Allen also lived on the ranch for many years to keep insurance on the improvements.

Mr. Grieves passed away in 1941 at the age of 74 and the ranch became the property of his daughter, Cecile H. Tuttle.

In 1953, Mr. Grieves' grandson, John R. Tuttle, returned to the ranch. From that time many people have held various leases on the ranch. These people include Jim Barth, Jim Bisel, Bill Broadie, George Broadie, Raymond Broadie, Julian Clawson, Les Cooper, Harold Daily, Charles Davis, Glen Nicholson, Bob Rohrer, Charles Rohrer, C.V. Rohrer, Tom Salyer, Dennis Stegman and Gabe Stegman. The ranch is now a family corporation.

Submitted by Kathy Tuttle

## GENE STEVENSON GRIFFITH

At the age of eight years, Gene O'Shea came to Ashland and entered the third grade. She and her mother had lived in Charleston, Mississippi until 1945 when her mother married Hugh Stevenson of Ashland.

Gene was born in Charleston, Mississippi on February 10, 1937 to Francis Matthew and Elizabeth Bardwell O'Shea. When she came to Ashland she was legally adopted by her step-father, "Steve Stevenson," taking his name. She was active in all phases of school and social life in the community during her grade and high school days, graduating with the class of 1955. She later attended Lindenwood College for a year, then transferred to the University of Kansas for her remaining three years, graduating in 1959. She is a member of Kappa Kappa Gamma sorority and P.E.O. Sisterhood.

In 1959, Gene was married to John Griffith, and they moved to California after John's duty with the Army was ended in 1961. Three sons were born during the following years: Todd Lloyd, November, 1959; Scott Stevenson, November 1961; and David Dixon, January 1965. Her marriage to John Griffith ended in 1975 and she was married again in 1979 to Fred Rauschenbach.



David, Scott, Gene, and Todd Griffith, 1979

She has done extensive fashion and photographic modelling, and worked for the City of Laguna Beach for several years before entering the real estate field. She still lives in California, at present at Mission Viejo, where she is a real estate agent with the Mission Viejo Company.

Submitted by Gene Griffith

### **GRIMES FAMILY**

George Marshall Grimes and Effie L. Cummins were married February 28, 1889, in a sod-house in Clark County. Of this union six children were born: Sidney, 1889-1964; Lena, 1892-1899; William Bryan, 1898-1974; James Lewis, 1901-1980; Margaret L., 1905 - , and George Jr., 1911-1972.

George Marshall was born February 3, 1854, on a farm in Madison County, Kentucky. He worked on his father's farm in Clay County, Missouri until 1882 when he went to Oregon to drive cattle on horseback to Leavenworth, Kansas, for Lang and Ryan, Stockmen. He was one of twelve men who drove 2,300 head a distance of 1,100 miles in 153 days. In 1883 he went to Texas and his party drove 3,000 head to Clark County. He worked as a cowboy and head driver until 1886 when he went into the mercantile business in Cash City, Kansas, a settlement 18 miles west of Ashland. He was appointed postmaster there until 1887. He was also in the ranching and cattle business and had a 4,000 acre ranch west of Ashland. He served on the board of county commissioners in 1890. He was later elected sheriff of Clark County and served five terms for which he received a commendation from President Grover Cleveland. He died August 3, 1934, in Ashland.

Effie and George Grimes



Effie L. Cummins was born December 6, 1868, a daughter of William and Margaret (Stubbs) Cummins, natives of Illinois. She died August 20, 1945.

Submitted by Margaret Ray

## GEORGE AND FAIGH GRIMES

George M. Grimes, Jr., son of Effie and George Grimes, was born November 19, 1911 at Ashland, Kansas. His father was an early day rancher and was Clark County Sheriff. George attended the Ashland schools and after graduation attended Kansas Wesleyan College at Salina.

Faigh and George Grimes



George started a radio business and enlarged it into an appliance and gas business which he operated until 1968. He was united in marriage to Faigh Daigh, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H.R. Daigh, in 1936. He was a member of the Ashland Christian Church and served on the building committee for their present church. George died July 14, 1972.

Faigh Daigh, daughter and only child of Herbert Russell Daigh and Neala Chipman Daigh, was born April 8, 1910, at Ashland, Kansas. Her father was a successful lawyer who practiced in Ashland until his death in 1940. He had received his law degree from Washburn University. Faigh's mother died in 1944.

Faigh's early education was in the Ashland schools. She later attended and graduated from Kansas State University and worked for a time in Topeka, Kansas. She was actively involved in the business community of Ashland. She and her husband established the Grimes Homegas, Inc. with home office in Ashland and branches in surrounding communities.

Submitted by Leta Broadie

## J. LEWIS GRIMES FAMILY

James Lewis Grimes married Ruby L. Payne August 22, 1924. They had two children: James Lewis Grimes, Jr. of Topeka, Kansas, and Mrs. James R. Cope, of Leawood, Kansas. They have five grandchildren: Dr. John M. Cope of Leawood, Kansas; Andrew M. Cope of Mission, Kansas; Donna E. Cope of Leawood, Kansas; Paul C. Grimes of Topeka, Kansas; and Patrick J. Grimes of Topeka, Kansas.

Lewis Grimes spent most of his life tax consulting. He died November 12, 1980.

Submitted by Ruby Grimes

## JOYCE AND GERRY GRIMES FAMILY

Joyce Burns Grimes, daughter of Beulah and Stacy Burns, and Gerald (Gerry) Grimes, son of Virginia and Sidney Grimes, graduated from Ashland High School in 1944 and 1943, respectively.

They were married in the Ashland Methodist Church on June 10, 1949.

Joyce earned a Bachelor of Arts Degree from the University of Kansas and a Master of Education Degree from Wichita State University. She currently teaches in the Cimarron, Kansas, public schools. Gerry earned a Bachelor of Science in Pharmacy Degree from Colorado University. He served in the United States Marine Corps Reserve in World War II and the Korean War. Gerry died in 1979.

Children of Joyce and Gerry Grimes are Michael Burns, Wichita; George Marshall III, Dodge City; and Gail Marie, Kansas City, Missouri. Michael attended Pratt Community College. Marshall married Sue Ross on January 8, 1978, in Dodge City. He is a 1984 graduate of St. Mary of the Plains. Gail earned a Bachelor of Science Degree and a Master of Business Administration from Kansas State University.

Submitted by Joyce Grimes

#### SIDNEY E. GRIMES FAMILY

Sidney Grimes was born December 14, 1889 at Cash City, 18 miles west of Ashland. He was the first of six children born to George and Effie Grimes.

Sidney attended school in Ashland and Salina Business College. After graduation he was employed at the Citizens State Bank until he retired after forty-seven years.

Sidney married Virginia Hill of Holden, Missouri, September 24, 1914. To this union were born a daughter and two sons.

Daughter, Virginia, was born September 20, 1918 and attended Ashland schools. She married D. Glenn Ellison in 1940. They made their home in Seattle, Washington. They have two children, Sidney and Susan. Glenn died in 1959.

Sid and Sue attended schools in Seattle. Sid went to K.U. on an N.R.O.T.C. Scholarship. Sue attended Seattle Pacific U. on a scholarship, and graduated from the University of Washington. Sue lives in Seattle and is employed by Alaska Distributors. Sid is married to Annette Baggese and lives in San Jose, California. Both are employed by electronics companies. Virginia Grimes Ellison is still living in her home in Seattle and works in catering at the U. of W.

Son of Sidney and Virgie Grimes, Gerald M., was born December 29, 1925. Gerry attended Ashland schools and graduated from Colorado University. He was married to Joyce Burns. Their children are Michael, Marshall and Gail. Gerry was a pharmacist. He died June 19, 1979.

A second son of Sidney and Virgie, William S., died soon after birth.

Sidney Grimes died December 6, 1964 and Virgie on July 30, 1965. All four are buried in Ashland Cemetery.

Submitted by Virginia Grimes Ellison

#### W.B. GRIMES FAMILY

Rebecca Lackey came from Pennsylvania to visit a sister in Ashland and filed a claim west of town. Her husband, Hazen Lackey, and three children joined her in 1885 and established the ranch now known as the Glen Ranch. The highest point on the ranch, Becky's Knob, was named for her. Grandmother Lackey sold the ranch after her husband's death and established the hospital which was in the house east of the Burket clinic. They had three children, Hermie, Blanche and Vance.



Blanche Louise, Helen, Lindsey, Blanche, Seigel, W.B., Robbins, Hazel Marie - 1945.

Blanche married W.B. Grimes in 1897. He and his brothers were born on a plantation in Texas. Their children were Seigel, 1898, and wife Laura who live on a ranch near Flagler, Colorado; Lindsey, 1899, and wife, Agatha, live on a ranch near Vona, Colorado; Blanche Louise, 1901, lived for many years in Kansas City until retiring in Springfield, Missouri; Helen, 1904, and husband, Marion Rankin, lived in Ashland until their deaths in 1969 and 1973; Robbins, 1908, retired from the military and with his wife, Mariam, lives in Ft. Collins, Colorado; Hazel Marie, 1911, and husband, Ralph Robison, own Midwest Rug in Springfield, Missouri.

Submitted by Louise Grimes

## WILLIAM GRIMES FAMILY

I was born in Ashland, Kansas, March 25, 1924. My parents were William B. Grimes and Hope McCasland Grimes. I graduated from Ashland High School with the great class of 1943. After approximately three years with the U.S. Navy, I attended Kansas State University in Manhattan, Kansas for two years. I farmed near Ashland until 1953. My wife, Maxine, is a graduate of Winfield, Kansas high school. We each have four children.

My children are William, Michelle, Gregory and Kimberle. I retired from the City Fire Department of Wichita, Kansas in September, 1975. We have resided in Oregon the last seven years. Submitted by William M. Grimes

## RHEA GROSS

Rhea Sabrina Gross, born April 24, 1895 in Moorepark, Michigan, was the second of three daughters born to Edward and Ida Gross. On March 23, 1910, Rhea moved to Englewood, Kansas and it was there she attended school, graduating from high school in 1912. After attending Ft. Hays State College, Rhea received her teaching certificate and taught school in and near Englewood for 25 years.

Rhea Gross, 1945



Retiring from the teaching profession, she moved to Ashland where she served as Deputy County Clerk and County Clerk. 264

Following her retirement from public office, Rhea continued to make her home in Ashland.

Rhea was always active and faithful in her activities in the Ashland Presbyterian Church. She served twenty years teaching in the Sunday School Primary Department, many years as an active church choir member and years as pianist.

As a member of many clubs and service organizations, her years of handicaps and suffering did not alter her success in achieving whatever she undertook as a task, whether it be in her profession, church, beautiful flowers or club activities.

Rhea's sisters are Edna Cox of Ashland and the late May Fischbach. She had two nephews and their wives, Frank and Mary Cox of Englewood, Kansas, and Dean and Jesse Cox of Wichita Falls, Texas; two great nieces, Ann and Betty Sue Cox of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma and one great-nephew, Phil Cox of Stillwater, Oklahoma.

Rhea died August 3, 1973 in the Ashland Hospital after a long illness and was buried in Ashland, Kansas.

Submitted by Mary Cox

#### CLARENCE AND DELPHINE HARDEN

Clarence James, the third child of Charles E. and Agnes Gilchrist Harden, was born February 23, 1895 in Lexington, Clark County, Kansas. At the age of 5, he started his schooling, attending the Lexington grade school and high school in Ashland where he lived with "Uncle" Isaiah and "Aunt" Sue Burket. He graduated from high school in 1914 and then attended Kansas University at Lawrence for one year, afterward returning home to help his father farm.



Clarence and Delphine Harden, 50th wedding anniversary, 1970

Fannie Delphine, the fifth child of Milton A. and Fannie Eugenia Wyatt, was born at Herington, Kansas. She received her education in the Herington schools.

In 1917, Milt and Fannie Wyatt sold their home and land in Dickinson County and moved to Lexington where Clarence and Delphine met. They were married March 27, 1920 at Liberal, Kansas and lived on a farm near Moscow, Kansas. Their first child, Clarence, Jr., was born at Liberal, November 13, 1921. They then moved to the farm in the Bluff Creek area in Comanche County they still call home. Two little girls were added to the family, Beverly, born March 24, 1925 and Maureen, November 11, 1929.

Clarence and Delphine belong to the Christian Church in Protection and have worked in it and supported it all of their lives.

Clarence died July 11, 1977. He is buried in the Protection Cemetery.

Delphine lives on the farm and raises prize winning iris. Submitted by Maureen Harden Herd

#### C. DAN HARDEN FAMILY

Charles Daniel Harden (Dan) is the youngest son of Paul and Florence Harden. He was born in Lexington Township and attended the Lexington School through the 5th grade. The family then moved to Ashland where he continued his schooling, graduating from the Ashland High School in 1951.

Dan attended college at Anderson College in Anderson, Indiana and was graduated in 1955. It was there that he met Myrna Lee Durham, of Tampa, Florida, and they were married August 11, 1956. Dan continued his education at the School of Theology in Anderson, receiving his Master of Theology in 1958.

After graduation, Dan and Lee took a church in El Dorado, Arkansas. They pastored the First Church of God and owned the Religious Book Store. They remained pastors there until 1981 (23 years). A beautiful sanctuary was built and paid for during their ministry there.

Sitting: C. Daniel and Lee Harden. Standing: Dan Harden, II and Ashlee Harden



Two children were born to the Hardens while they lived in Arkansas, Ashlee Adele, born December 27, 1960, and Charles Daniel II, born October 30, 1963.

Dan and Lee became pastors of the Kendall Church of God in Miami, Florida, in October, 1981. The church in Miami is truly international. They have 26 nationalities represented in the membership. The attendance in 1983 averaged over 200.

Ashlee Harden is employed at an accounting firm in Miami. Dan II is an apprentice for fabric designing and plans on locating in New York City.

Submitted by Charles Daniel Harden

## DEAN HARDEN FAMILY

Dean Bruce Harden, the youngest child of Robert and Donna Faye Harden of Englewood, Kansas, was born October 2, 1954 in Montezuma, Kansas. He attended grades 1-4 in Englewood and grades 5-12 in Ashland, graduating in 1972. Dean attended one semester at Dodge City Community College before moving to Manhattan, Kansas, where he graduated from Kansas State University in December, 1977 with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Agronomy.

Patricia Lynn Carter was born in Clovis, New Mexico on May 19, 1975. She is the oldest daughter of Lonnie and Floretta Carter, now of Ashland, Kansas. She attended grades 1-8 in Clovis and ninth grade in Plainview, Texas and Hatfield, Arkansas, before settling in Ashland where she finished high school. Patricia graduated from Southwestern Oklahoma State University in Weatherford, Oklahoma in May of 1980 with a Bachelor of

Science Degree in Pharmacy.

Dean and Patricia Harden, 1981

Dean and Patricia were married in the old Methodist Church in Ashland on December 30, 1978. They have made their home fourteen miles south of Plains, Kansas, where Dean is part of a family farming and ranching operation. Patricia commutes daily to Liberal, Kansas, where she is a staff pharmacist at El-Kan Drug.

Dean and Patricia enjoy many of the same hobbies including fishing, photography, home computing and three-wheeling. They are expecting their first child in late summer.

Submitted by Patricia Harden

#### JIM HARDEN FAMILY

Jim and Mary Harden are farmers and ranchers in the Ashland area. They plan to stay and raise their family in Ashland.

Jim was the last of five children born to the Willis and Velmaree Hardens. He was raised in the house built by his greatgrandfather in 1908 on the land which was once a part of the town-site of Lexington. He attended school in Ashland, graduating in 1975 from high school. He graduated from Kansas State University with a degree in agriculture in 1979. He then returned home to farm.

Mary George, the oldest girl of eight brothers and sisters, grew up on a farm south of Garden City. She attended the local farm school and finished school in Garden City, graduating in the class of 1973. She majored in art education and art therapy at Fort Hays University. Upon her graduation from college, she accepted a teaching position in Ashland. This is where she met her husband. They attended the same Bible study. Having farm interest alike, they both love the land, Jim to farm and Mary to paint. They were married August 7, 1982. Mary taught art in the Ashland schools for 5 years before she quit to become a full time mother. Mary still helps out with the coaching staff with girls' basketball. She also teaches outreach classes in art for D.C.C.C.



Jim, John Mark and Mary George Harden

The Hardens have one child, John Mark, who was born July 31, 1983. The family is active in the community, with church and youth programs.

Submitted by Mary Harden

#### MICHAEL WILLIS HARDEN

Michael Harden was born March 29, 1949, at the Ashland, Kansas hospital. He was the first of five children born to Willis and Velmaree Harden.

Mike grew up on a farm in the Lexington community. He attended the Ashland, Kansas public schools, graduating in 1967.



Mike Harden and children, Wesley, Melissa and Charley, 1984 He attended Dodge City Community College and Kansas State University.

In January, 1970, Mike married Jane Bell. They moved to a house in the Lexington community in May, 1970. This house had formerly been the "Denny schoolhouse." Mike worked for his father and rented land as it became available. Wesley was born April 3, 1973. The family purchased a house in Ashland in August, 1975 and moved to town. Melissa was born August 21, 1976 and Charles was born July 1, 1979.

Mike has farmed on his own since 1975, with farming interests southwest, east and northeast of Ashland.

Submitted by Mike Harden

## PAUL AND FLORENCE HARDEN

Paul Robert Harden was born March 14, 1897, in Lexington Township. He was the fourth child of Charles Edward and Agnes Gilchrist Harden. He attended school at the Lexington Grade School and attended Ashland High School. He was inducted into the Army September 5, 1918, and served 7 months in the Motor Transportation Corps at San Antonio, Texas.

Florence Bard Harden was born February 1, 1899, in Topeka, Kansas. She was the fifth child of Elgin Daniel and Harriet Mills Bard. Florence moved to Pratt County on a farm 16 miles southeast of Pratt with her family in November, 1901. They lived with an aunt and uncle and family that winter. Her father, Elgin, bought an unimproved farm. In the spring of 1902, her Grandfather Bard, who was a carpenter, came from Topeka to build a six-room house. This house is still being used as a home.

The family moved again to Clark County on a farm seven miles southwest of Protection in August, 1909. Her parents and younger sister, Laura, moved into Protection in August, 1913. Florence graduated from Protection High School in 1918, attended "normal" that summer and taught Harmony School east of Protection in 1918-1919.

Florence and Paul were married November 20, 1919 at the Methodist parsonage in Ashland, Kansas, by Rev. E.S. Corrie. They moved to the Harden farm at Lexington in January, 1920. Paul was a cattleman and farmer. The first spring was dry and windy. It was difficult for a young bride to keep her house clean and dust free. The wheat crop was poor and Paul harvested it with a header. The next year he bought a combine which was powered with 8 head of horses. The wagon was driven along the



50th Anniversary - Ray, Dan, Lloyd, Bob, Duane, Willis, Paul, Florence, Frances Eubank.

side to catch the threshed wheat, then pulled by team to a granary where it was scooped by hand into the bins.

In 1931, Paul began a trucking business to increase the income for his growing family. He received \$25 for a load of cattle hauled to Wichita Stock Yard. The truck would haul about 9 head of cows. He enlarged his trucking business until he had 5 semi-trailers. Paul had the first Common Carrier trucking license for Livestock and farm equipment in the State of Kansas, issued in 1936. He continued farming, trucking, and cattle raising until 1953, when he sold the truck line and license, and rented the farm to his sons. Paul and Florence are the parents of seven children, Laura Frances, Paul Duane, Willis Myron, Robert Verne, Lloyd Russell, Ronald Ray and Charles Daniel.

Paul and Florence moved to Ashland to make their home in September, 1944. Ray and Dan were the only children still at home, and they attended junior high and high school in Ashland. The five older ones attended the same grade school their father attended, but drove to Protection to attend high school.

Paul took an active part in the planning, collection of funds, construction and equiping of the Historical Museum in Ashland. He still maintains an active interest in this project.

Submitted by Florence Harden

## PAUL DUANE HARDEN

I, Paul Duane Harden, was born January, 1922, at Protection, Kansas, oldest son of Paul Harden and Florence Bard Harden. At that time we lived on a farm at the Lexington town site on land previously owned by my grandfather, Charles E. Harden.

I grew up on this farm going to the Lexington Grade School, then attending high school in Protection, Kansas. During high school, I worked part time for my father on the farm and in the cattle hauling business. I continued this full time for about three years following graduation. In the spring of 1945, I married Linda Lee Sanders of Protection, and we continued to live on this farm for two years. We then bought a farm from Ernest Dale north of Protection, living there for two years.

In 1948, I began working in construction at Ashland. I built a home and moved into Ashland. I continued farming and doing construction in Ashland and Clark County through 1965. Linda and I had three children. Judith Ann Harden Mosshart has three children, Carl, Jennifer and Duane, and lives in Ashland. Donald Duane is married, living on a farm east of Garden City, Kansas, and has twin daughters, Jana and Ashley. Sandra Mae Harden Arnott lives in Commerce, Colorado and has two girls, Michele and Melinda.



Willis, Duane (holding Judith Ann) and Robert Harden

While in Ashland, I also was active in the Boy Scouts. I was a leader from the time my son, Don, was in Cub Scouts through the Explorer Post. I was later awarded the Silver Beaver for my years of service.

In 1966, we moved to Garden City, Kansas, where I was engaged in sales. In 1971, we moved to Littleton, Colorado, where I again engaged in the construction business and have continued in that as a construction superintendent. In 1981, we moved to Aurora, Colorado. In the spring of 1983, Linda passed away, and was buried in Protection, Kansas. I became re-acquainted with Mary Swagerty Ferguson whom I had dated while in high school and later we were married.

I still maintain farming interests in Clark County. I make frequent trips there to look after this and also to visit my many friends and family living there. Clark County will always be considered an important part of my grass-roots.

Submitted by Duane Harden

# PAUL HARDEN II FAMILY

Paul Robert Harden II was born February 4, 1953 to Willis and Velmaree Harden in Ashland, Kansas. He is the third of five children. He attended grade school and high school in Ashland, graduating in 1971. He attended one year of college at Bethany Nazarene College in Bethany, Oklahoma and two years at Fort Hays Kansas State College, Hays, Kansas. In 1974, he graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree in Agriculture. While in college, Paul met Linda and they were married August 10, 1974. They moved to the Otis and Dona Fox farm in the Lexington community to begin farming and are living there currently.

Linda Jolene Mullenix was born in Salina, Kansas on May 19, 1954 to Leonard and Audrey Mullenix. She is the fifth of six girls in the family. Linda attended fourteen schools in Kansas, Colorado and New Mexico, due to moves made by the family. She graduated from Garden City High School in 1972 and went on to earn a two-year secretarial degree at Fort Hays Kansas State College in Hays, Kansas.

Children of Linda and Paul Harden II. Shane, Kimberly and Cindy.



Three children have been born to Paul and Linda: Shane Anthony, born May 25, 1977 in Minneola, Kansas; Cynthia Kay, born October 12, 1979 in Minneola; and Kimberly Danae, born May 20, 1983, in Dodge City, Kansas.

They currently farm 750 acres of dry land wheat and milo and run 300 head of stocker cattle.

They are active in the Church of God in Ashland and enjoy family activites.

Submitted by Paul Harden II

# PHILIP ALAN AND VICKIE JO (ESTABROOK) HARDEN

Philip Harden was born April 7, 1955 to Willis and Velmaree Harden. He was raised in the Lexington community on land that was a part of the original town site of Lexington. He graduated from the Ashland public schools in 1973 and from Kansas State University in 1977 with a degree in agriculture engineering. In 1982, Philip received a masters degree in business administration from Oregon State University. Since 1977 he has worked as a test engineer at the John Deere Harvester works in Moline, Illinois.

Philip and Vickie Jo Estabrook were married at Corvallis, Oregon, August 6, 1983. Her parents are Lee and Coleen Estabrook of Federal Way, Oregon. Vickie was born November 7, 1959, at Coos Bay, Oregon, and graduated from North Bend High School in 1977 and from Oregon State University in 1981 with a degree in education.

Philip and Vickie currently reside at 421 Wilshire Drive, Colona, Illinois.

Submitted by Velmaree R. Harden

# ROBERT V. AND DONNA FAYE HARDEN

Robert Verne Harden was born at the Harden Farmstead at Lexington in Clark County, Kansas on September 1, 1925. He is the son of Paul R. Harden and Florence Bard Harden.

Bob, as he has always been called, was the middle child in a family of six boys and one girl. He grew to manhood in the Lexington community and attended the country grade school there. Naomi Simmons, "Mrs. Ray," was his first grade teacher. Bob and his brother drove a 1935 Chevrolet car to high school at Protection, Kansas. Bob was active in sports and was captain of the Protection football team his senior year. He graduated from high school in 1944.

Donna Faye Jacques, daughter of Edwin D. Jacques and Maude Butcher Jacques, was born August 28, 1926 in Dodge City, Kansas. She grew up on a farm close to Montezuma, Kansas and graduated from high school there with the class of 1944.



Donna Faye and Robert Harden

Bob and Donna Faye were married August 15, 1948 at Dodge City, Kansas. They have three children: Jacquelyn Verdene Harden Richardson, born December 5, 1950; Robert Verne Harden II, born November 18, 1952, and Dean Bruce Harden, born October 2, 1954. All three were born at Montezuma, Kansas.

Bob and Donna Faye built a house in Ashland the winter they were married and lived there while Bob and his brother, Duane, ran an Interlocking Block Plant. They sold the house in 1950 and built another home on a farm northwest of Englewood, Kansas the same year. They have made their home on this farm ever since.

Submitted by Donna Faye Harden

# ROBERT V. HARDEN II FAMILY

Robert V. Harden II was born November 18, 1952 in Montezuma, Kansas, the middle child of three of the Robert Harden family of Englewood. He attended grades 1-6 at Englewood elementary and grades 7-12 at Ashland High School, graduating in 1970. He attended Garden City Community College from 1970-72, graduating with an Associate of Science degree, and Kansas State University from 1972-74, graduating with a BS degree in agriculture. He moved back to Englewood to work on the family farm in January, 1976 where he has lived since. On March 25, 1983, he and Robin Elaine Brooks wed. They both live near Englewood on the former Bill and Fern Rinehart farm.

Robin Elaine Brooks Harden was born January 21, 1962 in Dodge City, Kansas, the sixth child of seven of the William Brooks family of Ashland. She attended grades K-12 in the Ashland school system. Upon graduation in 1980, she attended Robin and R.V. Harden, 1984



Dodge City Community College for one year. She returned to Ashland to work as a certified aid at Fountain View Villa. Presently Robin is the activity director for Fountain View Villa. Submitted by R.V. Harden II

## WILLIS MYRON AND VELMAREE (RINER) HARDEN

Willis Harden was born March 26, 1923 to Paul and Florence Harden. He grew up and continues to live in a house built by his grandparents on land that was part of the original town site of Lexington. He attended the Lexington School and graduated from Protection, Kansas High School in 1941. He has spent his lifetime farming and ranching.

Velmaree Riner was born March 6, 1924 to Will and Ruby Riner. She spent the first 10 years of her life on a farm eleven miles south of Protection and attended Pleasant Valley School. She graduated from Protection High School in 1941.

Velmaree and Willis Harden Wedding picture, 1947



Willis and Velmaree were married at Wichita, Kansas, May 29, 1947. Five children were born of this marriage: Mike, Paul II and Jim, farmers near Ashland; Ruth (Patterson), a medical technologist at Amarillo, Texas; and Philip, a test engineer at Moline, Illinois.

Submitted by Velmaree R. Harden

#### CHARLES RODNEY HARDESTY

Charles Rodney Hardesty, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hardesty, was born September 26, 1950 in Ashland. He attended Ashland public schools, graduating Summa Cum Laude in 1968. He attended Lake Forest College in Lake Forest, Illinois for one year then transferred to St. Olaf College in Northfield, Minnesota, where he graduated in 1972 with honors in solo vocal performance. He was one of two singers selected from the United States in 1973 to receive a Fulbright scholarship to England, where he sang at St. Paul's Cathedral, the Royal Opera and at Royal Festival Hall under the direction of Leonard Bernstein and broadcast on BBC-Television and Radio. He also performed at the Palace of Versailles on French National Radio. In 1977, he was invited by Governor and Mrs. Robert Bennett to sing at the

Charles Rodney Hardesty, 1982 Photographer - Christian Steiner



Capitol in Topeka and he also appeared as soloist with the Kansas City Philharmonic Orchestra and the Lindsborg Messiah Festival. Since his New York City concert debut at Lincoln Center in 1979 (a performance broadcast on National Public Radio and released on record), he has performed in concerts around the United States, including two solo recitals in New York City, for which he received the highest critical acclaim from the *New York Times*. He has also performed several recitals in Ashland accompanied by his mother on the piano. Several major American composers have written specifically for his voice, including Ned Rorem and Daniel Pinkham.

Rodney is currently living in a renovated 19th-century mill near New York City. Besides music, his interests include cars, animals, swimming and cooking.

Submitted by Mrs. Jack Hardesty

#### CHARLES S. HARDESTY FAMILY

Charles Samuel Hardesty was born in Englewood, Kansas. His parents died when he was small and he was raised by his maternal grandparents, the Charlie Banks, of Englewood. He attended Englewood schools and served in the Navy during World War I.

Edith Fae Roberts was born June 19, 1900 in Englewood, the oldest of ten children born to Lonnie and Jennie May Roberts. She graduated from Englewood Public Schools in 1918 where her favorite hobby was playing the piano.

Edith and Charles Hardesty were married March 5, 1921, in Woodward, Oklahoma. They lived in Englewood for a few years where Charlie was associated with his Grandfather Banks in his store. Later, Charlie became associated with Standard Oil Company, and the family lived in Greensburg, Dodge City and Meade. Their children are: Jack E., born in Ashland, December 16, 1923, and Jimmy Douglas, born December 20, 1926 in Ashland.

Edith and Charlie were active in the American Legion and Auxiliary wherever they lived. Another of Edith's hobbies is playing bridge.



Edith (Roberts) and Charlie (Charles S.) Hardesty, 1930's.

The Hardestys moved to Ashland in 1946. Charlie died in October, 1948. Edith managed Yeager's Store for several years and then was bookkeeper-receptionist for Ashland Hospital. Late in 1969 she sold her big house on South Main (known as the Vallentine house). In January, 1970, she moved to Hardesty House Hotel to manage it for her son and wife, the Jack Hardestys. The hotel has become well known for Edith's excellent food.

Submitted by Betty (Mrs. Jack E.) Hardesty

## JACK HARDESTY FAMILY

Jack E. Hardesty, son of Edith (Roberts) and Charles Samuel Hardesty, was born in Lackey Hospital in Ashland, Kansas. He attended schools in Greensburg, Dodge City and Meade, where he graduated and was an outstanding athlete. He served as a B-25 pilot in the U.S. Air Force during World War II.

Betty A. Coon, daughter of Arthur Denny and Lois (Byrns) Coon, was born in Meade, Kansas. She graduated from the Meade schools as valedictorian and attended Kansas State University, majoring in music education. She served in the U.S. Women's Naval Reserve (WAVES) during World War II in Washington, D.C. She sang with a select Navy Hour chorus over NBC, was a member of the only women's uniformed Drum and Bugle Corps in the U.S., and was selected to march in the honor guard for President Franklin D. Roosevelt's funeral procession.

Betty (Coon) and Jack Hardesty, wedding photo, March, 1945. Betty in her Navy uniform and Jack in his USAF pilot's uniform.



Betty and Jack were married in the Episcopal Church in Garden City, March 15, 1945. After receiving their discharges from the Armed Services, they returned to Meade. In 1947, they moved to Ashland. Jack was Postmaster in the 1950's. Flying continued to be a consuming interest leading to Jack's establishing his agricultural aviation business. Jack has long been active in the American Legion, having served as District Commander.

Jack and Betty are members of the Ashland Presbyterian Church where Betty was the first woman ordained elder. In addition, Betty is active in many civic and community organizations. She chaired the Ashland PRIDE committee during the four years Ashland was a top state prize winner. During the nation's Bicentennial, Betty was Ashland's chairman. Music is one of her main interests and much of her time is devoted to accompanying young students. Betty also enjoys travel. She is actively engaged with her husband in their agricultural aviation business as well as their real estate interests, including Hardesty House Hotel.

Betty and Jack have two children, Beverly Ann (Mrs. Craig Harms of Woodland Park, Colorado), born January 19, 1947 in Dodge City, Kansas, and Charles Rodney, born September 26, 1950, in Ashland.

Submitted by Betty Hardesty

# BOB AND KAY HARMON

Bobbie Gene Harmon was born July 17, 1935 in Ashland, in the home in which he grew to manhood, the third of four children born to Wilber and Blanche Harmon. Bob attended the Ashland public schools, graduating in 1953. His 1952-53 football teams were undefeated. Bob spent summers helping his father custom harvest, from Texas to the Dakotas. He ran a self-propelled combine before he had a driver's license. After graduation he worked for Jim Jenkins, plumbing the Ashland District Hospital. Bob enlisted in the U.S. Air Force in 1957 with his brother, Richard, Dean McPhail and Ronald Cox. His mother told Bob, "If they don't treat you nice, just come back home." Sometimes he wished he were home. Bob was in Strategic Air Command "SAC", assigned to Air Refueling Tankers, training at Lackland. At Little Rock Air Force Base, Jacksonville, Arkansas, he was assigned to the 70th Air Refueling Squadron, then was sent to Bermuda to the 303rd Refueling Squadron. Bob was maintenance man assigned to aircraft, crew chief for KC97 Air Refueling Tankers, refueling B47 and B52 bombers. Upon his discharge he helped his father harvest that summer and started work at Fellers Motor Company. Bob was married to Linda Underwood, February 18, 1961 in Ashland, Kansas. They had two children, Kim Lynette and Darin Thomas. Kim married Stan Hazen, they farm southwest of Protection. Darin is a senior at Harrison High in

Great Bend and lives with his mother.

Ella Kay Godfrey was born May 25, 1940, Pagosa Springs, Colorado, the youngest child born to Russell S. Godfrey, Jr. and Ella Katie (McGee). She has two brothers, Ralph, Lubbock, Texas, and John, Ashland, Alabama; two sisters, Erma, Pasadena, Maryland and Joyce, Ordway, Colorado; one half-brother, Wayne Cagle, who died in 1977. Kay lived at Cherokee, Oklahoma until the death of her mother in 1947 when they moved to a farm near Paruna, northeast of Buffalo, Oklahoma, which her grandfather had homesteaded. Russell married Mary Elizabeth Miller, Alva, Oklahoma, 1956, who had two daughters, Sadie Bankston and Cindy Lou Persival. Russell died in 1961. Mary lives at Alva, Oklahoma. Kay married Robert Allen Gillespie, December 2, 1958. He died of a heart attack May 28, 1972 in St. Louis, Missouri. They had five children: Teresa (Mrs. Gary Jellison), Protection; Robert, married Edie Clouse from Landon; Tony, married Tracy Weigle from Burden; Debbie, married Mike Millam, Ashland; and Chris, of the home, was born in St. Louis, February 12, 1971. He is a seventh grader. The family moved to Ashland in 1972. Chris enjoys history (especially the Civil War era), participates in football, baseball, track and many other sports. His favorite job is at the cattle ropings. He wants to become a famous chef.



Chris, Kay and Bob Harman, 1984

Bobbie Gene Harmon and Ella Kay Gillespie were married October 7, 1978 in Ashland, Kansas. Bob is employed with the Fellers Motor Co. and Kay with the Clark County Conservation District. Bob, Kay and Chris belong to St. Joseph's Catholic Church. Bob is on the church board and Chris serves Mass for Father Maes. They have been kept busy with seven children, ten grandchildren, birthdays and family get-togethers. They have given up golf for camping and motor cycling.

Submitted by Kay Harmon

# CHARLIE AND LULA HARMON

Lula (Harter) Harmon, daughter of Andrew Harter, was born at St. John, Kansas, October 14, 1884. She moved, with her parents, to Waynoka, Oklahoma vicinity, traveling by covered wagon and trailing one thousand head of sheep.

Charlie Harmon was born in Gentry County, Missouri, November 12, 1877 and at an early age came to work on the Harter Sheep Ranch where he married Lula Harter.

A son, Leonard Harmon, was born there September 26, 1901. In 1902, they moved to Maxwell, Kansas. The following winter they made their living playing for country dances, hauling the family organ in the lumber wagon. They moved to St. John, Kansas, living there until 1905. Thomas Wilber was born January 13, 1905.

They moved northwest of Buffalo in 1907. They lived in a two-room half dugout and a half sod. This land was the homestead of Grandpa Knox which Charlie and Lula purchased. They later built a four room house. Three sons were born: Lawrence who died December 2, 1953; Chester and Roy; and two sisters,



Charlie, Roy and Lula

Annis (Mrs. Lloyd Smith) and Elma (Mrs. Walker Irions).

Charlie Harmon died March 17, 1948 and Lula died April 7, 1957. Leonard Harmon died July, 1981, and Wilbur Harmon died August 15, 1980.

Chester and his wife, Mary, lived at the homeplace, caring for his mother and brother, Roy, until 1977 when Roy moved to Buffalo and Chester and Mary moved northeast of the homeplace.

They used cow chips as fuel in early years, farming with horses and mules. Charlie owned and operated his own threshing machines.

Submitted by Bob and Kay Harmon

## DARIN HARMON

Darin Thomas Harmon was born February 13, 1966 at the Ashland District Hospital, Ashland, Kansas. His parents are Linda Kaiser, Great Bend, Kansas, and Bob Harmon of Ashland. Darin grew up with one sister, Kim Harmon (Hazen). He attended Ashland Grade School up to the third grade, then he transferred to Great Bend Grade School. Darin returned to Ashland for his sophomore and junior years. While in Ashland he worked at Rangelands Veterinary Hospital, where he enjoyed taking care of the animals. Darin participated in sports, music and art. He really shines when it comes to art. He has won various awards at Pratt Junior Olympics, and also at Fort Hays State. Darin enjoys

Darin Harmon



drawing and his favorite subjects are animals. For the junior prom at Ashland, he constructed most of the art work. Darin also enjoyed working at the G-Mart in Ashland. He will graduate from Great Bend High School the spring of 1984. Upon graduating, he plans to attend Barton County Community College, where he will further his major in forestry and wildlife management.

Submitted by Kim Hazen

# RICHARD HARMON FAMILY

Richard Lee Harmon was born August 23, 1937 in Ashland, Kansas, the youngest child of Wilber and Blanche Fox Harmon. He attended Ashland schools, graduating in 1955. He enlisted in the Air Force in 1957 and was discharged in 1962 after serving in Africa and Montana. In 1963, he started working for Grimes Homegas, Inc. as maintenance and repairman. He worked for Stevens Appliance until 1982, when he started working for the Ashland Hospital as maintenance man.

Janet Maxine Paulson Harmon, daughter of Harry and Ida Eberling Paulson, was born January 30, 1942 in Spokane, Washington. She is the oldest of eleven children. She grew up in Op-

heim, Montana, graduating from high school in 1960. She met Richard in 1958, who was stationed at Opheim Air Force Base. They were married August 21, 1960. They moved to Ashland in 1962, when Richard was discharged from the service. Janet now works for the ASCS office.



Richard Harmon family in 1979. Richard, Randall, David and Janet

The Harmon's children are Randall Eugene and David Allen. Randy was born August 28, 1961, at Glasgow, Montana. He graduated from Ashland High School, and went to college for 3 years. He met and married Evelyn Lehman of Clarion, Iowa. They have a son, Matthew. Randy is employed by Fountain View Villa. David was born April 1, 1964 at Ashland. He graduated from Ashland High School. Upon graduation he joined the Navy. He has been in Chicago, Philadelphia, Virginia, Cuba, Spain, Kenya, Pakistan and off the coast of Iran.

The family enjoys camping and fishing and they go about every weekend during the summer.

Submitted by Janet Harmon

# THOMAS WILBER AND MYRTLE BLANCHE HARMON

Thomas Wilber Harmon, son of Charlie Harmon and Lula Harter, was born January 13, 1905, at St. John, Kansas. He had four brothers, Leonard, Lawrence, Chester and Roy, two sisters, Annis (Mrs. Lloyd Smith) and Elma (Mrs. Walker Irions). They moved to a farm northwest of Buffalo, Oklahoma in 1907, living in a dugout and half sod home, farming with horses and mules. He helped his father with threshing machines when it took all day to bring wheat to Ashland in 1929. Wilber had one of the first Massey Harris self-propelled combines in 1941. He custom cut wheat for 29 years from Texas to the Dakotas and Canada. His family helped during harvest and was part of the crew. Wilber used his airplane for business during harvest. He was a mechanic for Lloyd Parks and worked for Ernie Phelps. Wilber and Miller Ritter had a repair shop. He worked for Fellers Ford Motors.

Myrtle Blanche Fox Harmon, dughter of Calvin Patterson and Sarah Marley, was born October 5, 1896 on a farm in Clark County. She had four brothers and three sisters. It was on this farm in Lexington community that she learned the responsibility of keeping a neat home and cooking delicious meals that make Mom's cooking the best. Blanche moved to Ashland in 1918 where Cal died May 1, 1933 and Sarah died December 5, 1936.

Blanche worked in the Ashland Hospital as cook and met



Blanche and Wilber Harmon

Wilber. They were married May 4, 1931 in Kingman, Kansas. They had four children: Wilber Dean, November 30, 1932 (died 1945); Myrtle Luann, July 10, 1934; Bobbie Gene, July 17, 1935; and Richard Lee, August 23, 1937. Blanche always had meals ready for the harvest crews. Each shift would have a hot home cooked meal she managed in a small trailer they took harvesting. She loved her work and never complained. She was a good Christian wife and mother, always there when her family needed her. She loved her work in her church. Blanche passed away Sunday, December 1, 1968, at the Ashland Hospital, following a long illness. Wilber and Blanche loved and enjoyed their children and grandchildren.

Wilber married Lola Tomkins (Hayward) whom he met at Dodge City playing bingo when he would go with Walt Swanson to Southgate Highrise. They were married April 2, 1972 in the Church of God in Ashland. They moved to Park Plaza Towers in 1978, in Dodge City, Kansas. Wilber died of a heart attack August 15, 1980. Lola is living at the Park Plaza Towers.

Submitted by Bob and Kay Harmon

#### VICTOR HARMON

Victor and Edythe Harmon live on a farm in south Clark County, Kansas, where they have raised wheat and cattle for the past fifty-two years. Prior to moving to the farm, in 1942, Victor worked in Buffalo and Beaver, Oklahoma for the Federal Land Bank of Wichita, Kansas, as a loan correspondent. Edythe taught piano and organ in her home until retiring in 1981.

Victor William Harmon was born July 8, 1910, the fourth child of John William and Sarah Francis Harmon. He was born in a sod house and attended grade school in Harper County, Oklahoma. The school house sat on the same ¼ section where he was born. His parents had homesteaded the ¼ section and it is still a part of the estate. He completed his education at Ashland High School in 1929.

Edythe Kathleen McPherson was born July 29, 1912 at Achille, Oklahoma, the third child of Joseph M. and Ora May Mc-Pherson. She came to Buffalo, Oklahoma as a music instructor in the public school in 1933.

Victor and Edythe were married July 22, 1936 in Pratt, Kansas. They have two daughters, Sara Jo Davis of Many, Louisiana and Elizabeth Kathleen Allen of Ashland, Kansas. Each of the daughters have three children.



Victor, Kathy, Edythe and Sara Jo, 1958

The Harmons are active members of the Christian Church in Buffalo, Oklahoma where Edythe has been pianist and organist for the past fifty years. She is also an active member of the Liberty EH club which was organized in her home in 1946. Submitted by Victor Harmon

# WILBER DEAN HARMON

Wilber Dean, son of Wilber and Blanche Harmon, was born November 30, 1932 in Ashland, Kansas. He died June 28, 1945,



Wilber Dean Harmon

in Murray Hospital, Dodge City, Kansas at the age of 12½ years. He was the first of four children: one sister, Luann (Mrs. Gene Stoecker), and two brothers, Richard and Bobbie.

He attended the Ashland Grade School and would have enrolled in the 8th grade that fall. He was loved by his classmates and by all who knew him. He loved pets and flowers and found beauty in all things. He was a member of the Ashland Boy Scouts.

Submitted by Bob and Kay Harmon

# CRAIG AND BEVERLY (HARDESTY) HARMS FAMILY

Craig Harms, son of Howard and Lily Harms, graduated from Dodge City Public Schools. He is a graduate of Wichita State University where he was Senior Honor Man, President of Band Fraternity, Sigma Phi Epsilon and Drum Major of the university band.

Beverly Ann Hardesty, daughter of Betty (Coon) and Jack Hardesty was born in Dodge City, Kansas, January 19, 1947. She graduated from Ashland Public Schools in 1965 Summa Cum Laude, with honors. She was selected for Girls' State and received the John Philip Sousa Award. She attended William Woods College in Fulton, Mo., where she was initiated into Phi Theta Kappa scholastic and Phi Beta music honorary societies. She transferred to the University of Arizona, rooming with Jane York of Ashland. As "Miss University of Arizona," Bev competed in the "Miss Arizona" Pageant with Merilyn Berryman (formerly of Ashland) as her official chaperone.

Bev graduated from Washburn University in 1970 with a B.S. in Political Science. As a member of Delta Gamma Sorority, she received awards as outstanding pledge and Senior Awards. She was active in Kansas Young Republicans; was State Capitol tour guide, and was selected for *Who's Who Among American Colleges* and Universities. Following graduation, she flew with TWA as a flight attendant.



Craig and Beverly (Hardesty) Harms Wedding Reception, Hardesty House Hotel, Nov. 13, 1971

Bev and Craig were married November 13, 1971 in Ashland. Craig was the band director in Ashland at the time. For seven years his band program was recognized as being one of the finest in the state--being selected for *Who's Who in American School Bands and Orchestras* and the Jazz Ensemble was selected for a two week European tour in 1974.

Bev and Craig moved to Wichita in 1975 where Craig completed his Master's Degree. In 1976, Bev and Craig moved to Colorado where Craig was director of band and orchestra in Colorado Springs and is now with the Woodland Park Schools. Both bands have been Colorado State Marching Band Champions under his direction.

In 1980, Bev and Craig opened "Cookin' Thyme," a kitchen gourmet shop, in Woodland Park. On December 18, 1981, their daughter, Lauren Amber Harms, was born. She attends band concerts and has a flag girl uniform for competitions and parades. They all love to ski.

Submitted by Bev Harms

#### JAMES FRANKLIN HARPER, SR.

James Franklin Harper, Sr., son of Jesse Clair and Melville Helen (Campbell) Harper, was born December 4, 1918, in Wichita, Kansas. He married (1) February 5, 1945, Arlene Dorothy Peterson, daughter of Elmer B. and Coral (Esbeck) Peterson, born August 11, 1918, Elk Horn, Iowa. They were divorced in 1973. To their union were born James Franklin Harper, Jr., born October 9, 1948, in Burbank, California. He married June 10, 1978 Mary Ivonne Padilla in San Diego, California, daughter of Fernando and Clementine Padilla. They have a son, Aaron James Harper, born January 26, 1984, in San Diego, California. His second son, Christian Peterson Harper, born January 25, 1953, was born in Burbank, California. He married August 23, 1975 in Claremont, California, Sue Sullivan, daughter of Warren and Inga Sullivan.

He married (2) January 12, 1974, Phyllis Marie Degelman, born February 19, 1925, daughter of William Lueck and Helen Alice (Farmer) Lueck. They were divorced.

Since 1975, he has been in the field of business management handling the financial affairs and tax problems of individuals in the entertainment and sports industries.

Offices currently held are: president/director of James Harper & Associates, P.F.A. Inc., Anga Royal Chinchilla Ranch, Corporate Associates; Chief Financial Officer/Director of: Peter Marshall Enterprises, Inc., Five Jays, Inc., Steve Garvey, Inc., Savannah, Inc., Jayne Kennedy, Inc., Les Sheldon Productions, Niraga, Inc., Wind Dynamics, Inc. Other organizations: Phi Delta Theta, National Football Foundation and Hall of Fame.

Submitted by James F. Harper

#### JIM AND KATHIE HARPER

· Jim and Kathie, both fourth generation Clark Countians, have lived in the county most of their lives. Ancestors on both sides were pioneer ranchers, Jim's being the Campbells and Harpers south of Sitka, and Kathie's being the Gabberts near Acres.

Jim has lived in Clark County all of his life, attending the Ashland schools grades 1-12. He graduated from the University of Kansas in 1967, with a Bachelor of Science in accounting. Born December 2, 1943, his parents are Mell C. and Maudeane Perry Harper. He currently operates the Harper Ranch, which is known as Harper Cattle Company.

Kathie was born May 2, 1946 to Lawrence W. O'Neal, M.D.,



Jim and Kathie Harper, Nancy and Susan

and Mrs. Alice Gabbert O'Neal. Born in St. Louis, Missouri, she lived there until 1957. She moved to Ashland with her mother and two sisters in 1959, where she has made her home ever since. Kathie attended Ashland schools for grades 8-12, and then attended the University of Kansas for two years.

Both Jim and Kathie are very active in the Kansas Livestock Association and the National Cattlemen's Association.

They were married June 26, 1965, and have two daughters. Nancy was born in Lawrence, Kansas, where they were attending school, October 29, 1966. Susan was born in Ashland on October 28, 1969. The Harpers are currently residing in Ashland, although from time to time they have lived at the Harper Ranch. Submitted by Kathie Harper

JESSE AND MELVILLE HARPER

Jesse Clair Harper was born on a farm in Paw Paw Township, DeKalb County, Illinois on December 10, 1883. He was the son of James and Bertha (Patrick) Harper, both natives of Illinois. In 1902, he graduated Morgan Park Military Academy, Chicago, and in 1906, received the degree of Bachelor of Philosophy at the University of Chicago. He was a member of the Phi Delta Theta fraternity. Throughout his scholastic career, he participated in all sports, particularly football and baseball, winning his letters in both sports, and being captain of the 1905 baseball team. He began his career as coach and instructor in history at Alma College, Alma, Michigan. In 1909, he became coach of four sports at Wabash College, Crawfordsville, Indiana.

Called to Notre Dame University in 1913, he served as its athletic director and football coach until 1918. He coached the famous Knute Rockne in 1913. Rockne was assistant football coach and head track coach from 1914-1918, until Mr. Harper's retirement in 1918, at which time Mr. Rockne succeeded him. Mr. Harper returned to Notre Dame again in 1931 (following the tragic accident which took the life of Coach Knute Rockne) where he sserved three more years as director of athletics. The family lived on the Campbell-Harper Ranch from 1934.



Jesse Harper

Mr. Harper was a president of the Kansas Livestock Association (1930-31) and served as a director of the American National Cattlemen's Association. In 1936, he served as a delegate to the Republican National Convention in Cleveland, Ohio, was a member of the Farm and Ranch Club in Wichita and the Wichita Club. In 1958, he was honored by Notre Dame with "Jesse Harper Day," and given the Helms Hall of Fame Award. In 1971, he was honored posthumously by the National Football Foundation and Hall of Fame with the Pioneer Award at Notre Dame, and he was also a member of the Cowboy Hall of Fame in Oklahoma City, 1962.

Jesse Clair Harper was married to Melville Helen Campbell on February 5, 1912, St. Paul's Methodist Church, Wichita, Kansas, daughter of Melville Clark Campbell and Sarah Ellen (Smith) Campbell. She was born June 17, 1889, in Wichita. She was reared in Wichita and attended Wellesley College, Wellesley, Massachusetts, in 1910-1911.

Mrs. Harper devoted over sixty years to family and genealogical research. She was a member of numerous state and local historical associations, for thirty-five years a member and secretary of the Clark County Historical Society, the Kansas Historical Society, and helped to compile *The Notes on Early Clark County, Kansas*, six volumes from 1939 to 1970. She was a member of the Fort Supply Trail Chapter, DAR. She was one of those responsible for the formation of the Southwest Kansas Genealogical Society Library in Dodge City. She was selected the Bicentennial Queen of the Kansas Genealogical Society in 1961.

Mr. and Mrs. Harper had three children: Katherine Campbell Harper, born November 19, 1912 in Crawfordville, Indiana; Melville Campbell Harper (Mell C.), born March 5, 1914, South Bend, Indiana; and James Franklin Harper, born December 4, 1918, Wichita, Kansas.

Jesse C. Harper died July 31, 1961 in Ashland and was buried in Highland Cemetery. Mrs. Melville C. Harper moved from the Harper Ranch in the winter of 1976 to be near her son, Jim, and remains in her condominium in Sherman Oaks, California.

Submitted by Katherine C. Harper

## KATHERINE CAMPBELL HARPER

Katherine Campbell Harper, daughter of Jesse Clair and Melville Helen Campbell Harper, was born November 19, 1912, in Crawfordsville, Indiana. She graduated from Ashland High School in 1935, attended Bethany College, Lindsborg, Kansas, 1935-1938, and received her Bachelor of Music degree from Friends University, Wichita, in 1940. She was employed as clerk typist in the Veterans Administration, Washington, D.C., from 1945-1954, returned to work in Washington in 1964 for the National Society, Daughters of the American Revolution, and 1965-1967, again at the Veterans Administration in Washington, D.C.

Katherine C. Harper



She is a charter member of the Huguenot Society of Kansas, was Chapter Librarian of the Fort Supply Trail Chapter, DAR, Ashland, charter member of the Kansas Genealogical Society, Dodge City, on the State Library committee, Kansas State DAR; assistant librarian of the Kansas State DAR Library, Dodge City, member of the Dodge City Chapter, DAR 1975-1983, member of the Richard Bayldon Chapter, DAR since June, 1983 and is Regent of her chapter, also Registrar of the El Camino Real Chapter, Daughters of the American Colonists, Seal Beach, California.

Katherine Harper is the author of a book, published in 1978, James Campbell and His Descendants, 1808-1978, Vol. 1.

She now lives in Leisure World, Seal Beach, California. Submitted by Katherine C. Harper

#### MELL AND MAUDEANE PERRY HARPER

Mell Harper was born in South Bend, Indiana March 5, 1914 and graduated from Wichita North High School and after attending college at Kansas University and Notre Dame University, returned to the Harper Ranch south of Sitka to go into the ranching business with his father, Jesse Harper.

Maudeane Perry Harper, born December 13, 1919, graduated from Ashland High School, attended College of Emporia and

Dodge City Beauty Academy, returned to Ashland in 1939 to own and operate a beauty salon.



Mell, Maudeane, Jim and Sandy Harper, 1956

Mell and Maudeane were married October 18, 1941 and lived on the Harper Ranch where two children were born. James Perry, born December 2, 1943 and Sandra Lynn, born September 10, 1947.

Mell and Maudeane live in Mesa, Arizona but still call Ashland home.

Submitted by Maudeane Harper

## CHARLES W. AND ANN (BOWLING) HARROD

Ann Bowling Harrod, the eighth child of Ben and Iva Bowling, was born July 24, 1939 in Ashland. She graduated from high school in 1957. Some of her fondest memories are of riding and breaking horses and rounding up cattle as hired hands with brother, Gordon, and Dad Bowling for ranchers in the community.

Ann attended Newman School of Nursing in Emporia, graduating in 1960 where she stayed and worked a year as an operating room nurse. During the summer of 1961, she worked as camp nurse at Y.M.C.A. Camp Wood at Elmdale, Kansas. She then took a position as charge nurse at the Cheyenne County Hospital in St. Francis, Kansas.

In February, 1962, Ann married C.W. (Chuck) Harrod and



The Harrods with Iva Bowling (Ann's mother). Greg, Chuck, Ann and Gordon, March, 1984.

The Harrods visiting Ft. Harrod, Harrodsburg, Kentucky, on vacation, August, 1983. Chuck, Ann, Greg and Gordon



moved to Wichita. Chuck was born and raised in Yates Center, Kansas, graduating in 1953. He served in the Navy four years, then returned to college and graduated in January, 1962 from Kansas State Teachers College in Emporia. He is now employed at Cessna Aircraft as a flight test engineer. Ann works (R.N.) in a family practice physician's office where she has been employed for nearly 20 years.

The Harrods have two sons: Gordon, born December 9, 1965, and Gregary, born October 9, 1967. Gordon is an honor roll student, state scholar, and active in all sports, track the favorite. He placed 4th in the state in 110m hurdles as a junior in 5A schools. He enjoys hunting, fishing, skiing, and vacations with the family. Gordon plans to attend college at Baker University, after graduation from Haysville Campus High School in May, 1984. Greg is a sophomore at Campus High and has never let his big brother outdo him! He enjoys all sports, bringing home 2 medals as a freshman in track in the 5A state meet. As a sophomore, he has lettered in track, football and basketball. Both boys are members of the National Honor Society.

Class of '57 - See you in '84 and '87 for 30th! Submitted by Ann Bowling Harrod

# JANE ELLEN YORK HART

On March 31, 1948, I was born to Marjorie and Russell York. I have come to realize that I grew up in a special place at a special time, lucky to have a solid education with wonderful, nurturing teachers and a remarkable introduction to music and athletics. My parents had the right mix of affection and discipline. Aunts, uncles, cousins, and both sets of loving, devoted grandparents were nearby for extra guidance and lots of stories of the "old days." Family get-togethers, childhood friends, neighbors, and Ashland experiences are important memories for me.

After graduating from Ashland High School in 1966, I attended the University of Arizona in Tucson, graduating in 1970, with one year out for a valuable life-experience in Mexico City at the University of Americas. A series of unplanned events led me to owning and operating the Gourmet Cheese Shop in Vail, Colorado for the next 10 years. During that time I met Richard H. Hart, who was practicing law in Vail. After a brief courtship, we were married in June of 1972 at the Eagle County Courthouse. In 1975, we became proud parents of a daughter, Sacha Jerome, and in 1977, a son, Peter York.

Jane, Dick, Sacha and Peter



My husband Dick is a District Judge for the State of Colorado, works on the executive committee for state district judges, is active in Yale alumni activities, but is primarily a dedicated father. The children love school, ice hockey, skiing, and snow. We will probably remain in Vail so that I can perfect my snow shovelling.

We all love going back to Ashland for visits and sharing memories of former generations there. We need to provide our children with a glimpse of those lives that came before and the hard-274 ships along the way so that they can learn their responsibility for the future.

To me Ashland is a very special place and will always be "home."

Submitted by Jane Hart

## JOHN AND MARY DONNEL HART

Mr. John Hart



Mrs. Mary Hart

John Hart and Mary Donnel were married January 31, 1897. They were both from Illinois and lived on a farm north of Ashland. Mr. Hart passed away July 16, 1945 and Mrs. Hart passed away August 6, 1958. To this union were born five children: Merritt and Myrle, the twins, Della, Sara Ann and Bertha. Merritt died February 7, 1976. Myrle married James McCurley and lives at Nampa, Idaho. Della married Leslie Allison and her home is Ashland, Kansas. Sara Ann lives at Fountain View Villa Rest Home in Ashland. Bertha is married to Charlie Cook and lives in Wichita, Kansas.

Submitted by Della Allison

#### EDWARD E. HARTSOOK FAMILY

Edward E. "Ed" Hartsook was born September 26, 1876 at Prairie Du Chein, Wisconsin. Martha Bell Dyer was born March 27, 1888 in Ithaca, Nebraska. She was a one-room country school teacher and Ed was a farmer. They were married in Greenwood, Nebraska, April 12, 1911; soon after the wedding they came to Clark County to live on a farm five miles southeast of Ashland.



Martha Bell Hartsook Edward E. Hartsook

Ed had previously purchased the land on a trip to Ashland. He came to Ashland on the immigrant train, loading his livestock and machinery in a railroad car. Bell came to Minneola, Kansas on the passenger train, then to Ashland by way of a buggy drawn by a pair of mules. They lived on the farm until their deaths. Ed passed away in May of 1952, Bell in December of 1955. They are buried in the Ashland Cemetery.

Ed was a 50-year member of the AF&AM. Bell was a member of the OES, both were active members of the Presbyterian Church and belonged to other community activities.

To Ed and Bell one daughter was born, Elaine Hartsook Anderson (Mrs. Bill R.). She and Bill still live on the farm purchased by her father in 1911.

Submitted by Elaine Anderson

### WANITA AND IVEL HARVEY

Ivel Harvey was born in 1902 on a farm near Veedersburg, Indiana. His parents were Clarence and Luella Sackmire Harvey. Ivel had one sister, Mary, four brothers, Miles, Truman, Virgil and Harold. In 1916, the family moved to Kansas, near Kingman. Later the father, Clarence, bought a farm in Barber County north of Medicine Lodge where they lived until after he died.

The family doctor, whose wife was one of the heirs of the Humfeld farm north of Protection, four miles, offered to rent this 1120 acre farm to the Harvey brothers. After looking it over, the brothers rented it in 1927 and sold the Barber County Farm. Here in Comanche County, Ivel met Wanita Petty, a local school teacher.

In Harper County, Oklahoma, in 1907, Wanita was born eighteen miles south of Protection to Charles and Mabel Selby Petty. I, Wanita, was one of seven chldren, two sisters, Adella and Lois, and four brothers, Marvin, Merritt, Charles and Warren.

During my fifth year of teaching school near Protection, Ivel and I were married in December, 1930. We lived in a small house on the Humfeld place. The depression of the early 1930's encouraged me to continue teaching three more years.

Our son, Keith, was born June 2, 1935 and our daughter, Nina, was born March 26, 1940 in the Ashland Hospital.

We bought the Era Rhoades farm five miles south of Ashland in 1946 and moved to Clark County in 1947. In 1966, Ivel retired from farming and we moved to town. Ten years later he was asked to serve as a Clark County Commissioner. Ivel is now serving his eighth year.



Golden Wedding Anniversary, 1980. Top row .: Stan Patrick, Steve Harvey. Second row from top: Rod Patrick, Glenn Harvey. Third row from top: Jack and Nina Baugh, Ivel and Wanita Harvey, Keith Harvey. Seated on floor: Tory and Keithann Harvey Porter, Jean Harvey.

Keith and Nina planned a family reunion at Keith's home in Killeen, Texas to honor us on our Golden Wedding Anniversary. Six weeks later our first great-grandchild was born. Our second great-grandchild joined our family October, 1982.

Submitted by Wanita Harvey

## KEITH AND JEAN HARVEY

Keith Harvey was born June, 1935 in the Ashland Hospital. His parents are Ivel and Wanita Harvey. He has one sister, Nina Harvey Baugh. Keith attended grade school in Protection until the spring of 1947 as his family moved that summer to their farm, five miles south of Ashland. He attended Ashland grade and high school, graduating in 1953.

In 1955, Keith volunteered in the U.S. Air Force, getting his basic training in San Antonio, Texas, before he was stationed at Bergstrom Air Force Base in Austin, Texas. In Austin he met Jean Parmley, daughter of William and Aelene Parmley. One year later, Jean and Keith were married December 29, 1956.

Keith was sent to France in April, 1957. After three months,

Jean flew to France where they set up housekeeping. In March, 1959, their first baby, a daughter, Keithann, was born in a hospital in Germany. The government flew the Keith Harvey family to the states in April, 1960. We were thrilled to have them home again. In July, 1960, he was discharged and began a search for work in Austin. The first he found was with the John Hancock Insurance Company. Keith still works for this company.

Jean and Keith welcomed their first son, Stephen, to their home, May, 1963. In May, 1966, Keith was transferred to Killeen, sixty-five miles north of Austin. Glenn, their second son, was born May, 1969. January, 1978, Keithann married Tory Porter, Killeen. Their son, Eric, was born January, 1981 and daughter, Erin, was born October, 1982.

Submitted by Wanita Harvey

## ALFRED M. AND LYDIA DAVIS HAYDOCK

Alfred M. and Lydia Davis Haydock came to Ashland, Kansas in 1893 with their five children, Ethel, Lavant, Alvis, Leavitt and Wray, from Ashland, Iowa. After living here a few months, he purchased a ranch in Comanche County near Protection. His health had been failing and in 1903 went to California to visit three of his children to see if the climate benefitted him. He was suddenly taken ill with hemorrhage of the lungs and died that year. Mrs. Haydock died in 1905. Alfred Morrison Haydock, born November 22, 1846, died November 27, 1903. Lydia Davis Haydock, born July 17, 1851, died February 5, 1905.

Submitted by Landon D. Haydock

## LANDON D. HAYDOCK FAMILY

Landon and Mary Eleanor Haydock are lifetime residents of Clark County. Landon, son of Laura Estella and Leavitt Alfred Havdock, was born February 11, 1922 at their home in Sitka. He attended grade school (now a part of Old Weigh Station) there and high school in Ashland. After graduating in 1940, Landon went to Los Angeles to "see the world" and October 8, 1942, enlisted in the U.S. Navy. For the next six years he saw more of the world, serving on a LCI(G) in the Marshall Islands engagement and other areas of the South Pacific. The summer of 1947 he was assigned to the Task Force conducting the first Bikini atom bomb test.

Mary Eleanor Cossman, daughter of Frances P. and F.N. Cossman, was born in Ashland, January 9, 1925, attended grade school and high school there and graduated in 1943. She attended Stephens College, Columbia, Missouri, graduated in 1945 in fashion merchandising, was associated with Neiman-Marcus, Dallas and Bullocks-Wilshire, Los Angeles. On October 26, 1947, she and Landon were married at the Chapman Park Oratorio there. Upon Landon's discharge in 1948, they returned to Ashland and entered into farming and cattle. In 1958, Landon ac-



Landon, Mary Lee, M. Eleanor and Sandy Haydock, 1957

cepted the position of postal clerk and was appointed postmaster in 1973, retiring in 1982. Many a Christmas morn was spent delivering those "late packages."

Landon and Eleanor are members of the Presbyterian Church, Landon, as elder. Both have been Scout leaders and Landon has served as Master of the Masonic Lodge and is a member of Wichita Consistory. M. Eleanor is a P.E.O., Cancer Crusade Chrm. for Clark County, served on the building committee for the library and Ashland Library Endowment Association.

Children are Landon D. (Sandy), Jr. married to Victoria Milligan and father of Nicholas Dustin, Benjamin Donald and Vanessa Milligan; Mary Lee Larson, mother of Clinton Landon.

Submitted by M. Eleanor Haydock

#### LEAVITT ALFRED HAYDOCK FAMILY

Leavitt was born in Ashland, Iowa, January 10, 1888, moved to Ashland, Kansas, with his family in 1893 and grew to manhood in the Ashland and Protection area.

He married Zelma Smith in 1927. They had four children, Voda, Valoise, Elwin and Leland.

Leavitt and Estella



In 1921, he married Laura Estella Wright, daughter of Joseph Elmer and Emma Ellen Reicker Wright, who was born in Marion County, Kansas, May 16, 1899. They had seven children, Landon, Opal, L.A., Jr., James, Eugene, Gary and Larry.

Leavitt was bookkeeper for Wallingford Elevator in Ashland and in 1926, the family moved to Sitka where he operated the bulk oil station for the Sitka Oil Company. In 1939, he took over the service station and Port of Entry which he operated until his death, October 8, 1960. Mrs. Haydock died April 6, 1969. L.A., Jr. died April 19, 1975, and Leland in February of 1983. Submitted by Landon D. Haydock

#### L.D. AND VICKI HAYDOCK

Landon Dwight, Jr. (Sandy) and Victoria Lea (Vicki) Haydock, former natives of Ashland, are now residing in Shattuck, Oklahoma.

Sandy is the son of Landon and Eleanor Haydock and Vicki is the daughter of Don and Twyla Milligan; all of whom live in Ashland.

Sandy has been employed by Northern Natural Gas for 11 years and is currently a measurement technician with the company. Sandy was born in Ashland on July 15, 1951. He was active in Boy Scouts and high school football, basketball, golf and track. Sandy graduated from A.H.S. in 1969; then attended the University of Kansas for a year and a half. He is a Past Master of Ashland Masonic Lodge and a member of Wichita Consistory and Midian Shrine. Sandy's hobbies include fishing, golf, and the restoration of his 1965 Corvette.

Vicki was born in Pueblo, Colorado on August 4, 1955 and moved with her family to Ashland in 1962. She was active in Girl Scouts, band and the National Honor Society. Vicki was a cheerleader for six years and the 1972-73 A.H.S. homecoming queen. She graduated in 1973 and attended Southwestern State University in Weatherford, Oklahoma for one year. Vicki and Sandy were married in the First Christian Church of Ashland on December 28, 1974.

Vicki is an active member of the Zeta Chi Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi in Shattuck and a member of P.E.O. in Ashland. She directs a Day Care Center in Shattuck and her interests include teaching Lamaze Prepared Childbirth Classes at Newman Memorial Hospital.



Back: Nicholas and Benjamin. Middle: Sandy and Vicki. Front: Vanessa

Sandy and Vicki have three children: Nicholas Dustin, born on October 28, 1977 in Minneola, Kansas; Benjamin Donald, born on August 4, 1980 and Vanessa Milligan, born June 18, 1982 in Shattuck.

Submitted by Vicki Haydock

### EUGENE AND DIXIE HAZEN

Albert Eugene and Dixie Lee Dodson were married July 16, 1948, in the United Methodist Church of Ashland, Kansas. Officiating minister was Arlyn E. Conard. They made their first home 7<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> miles southwest of Protection on the Combrink farm, formerly the Bard farm.

While on the farm their first four children were born: Merle Gene, July 22, 1949, Kerry Kristine, June 21, 1952, both born at the old hospital in Ashland. Steven Bradley, born September 19, 1955 and Stanley Kent, born August 18, 1957. Gene and Dixie moved to town in 1958. On April 12, 1969, Dixie gave birth to twins, a boy named Trenton Glen, and a girl, Amy Gwin. The twins are now freshmen in Protection High School.



Back row: Merle, Kerry, Steve and Stan. Front row: Amy, Dixie, Gene, Trent Hazen, 1980.

Eugene was born at home June 30, 1925, to Albert and Edith Hazen of Protection. Eugene went to Sunnyside School through the eighth grade. Children also going to school were: the Shanes, McPhails, Stegmans, McDonalds and Probsts.

Dixie Lee was born at home May 6, 1931. Doc Jones was assisted by Cressie Powers in the home delivery. Dixie grew up with her two sisters, Genevive and Darlene in the home of their grandparents, Mary and Clell Dodson. Dixie was the one her grandfather called to help with milking, driving a tractor or combine. When in the eighth grade, she drove her older sisters to school. As a little girl she remembers Pete, the ice-man. Children would follow him hoping for a sliver of ice as he chipped the blocks apart.

Gene and his family attended the United Methodist Church.

Merle married Ilene Thompson, children, Scharmagne Denise, 10, Neeley Dawn, 8, and Lindi Kae, 3. Kerry married Gene Hackney, children, Angela Rachele, 9, Klete Kelsey, 7, Shanele Darlene, 5, and Mindy Kristine, 4. Steve married Kelly Degnan, son Jule Albert, 2. Stan married Kim Harmon, children, Darci Lynne, 3, and Jeremy, 1, Amy and Trent.

Dixie passed away July 1, 1981.

Submitted by Kerry Hazen Hackney

### KIM AND STAN HAZEN

Stan and Kim Hazen were married October 28, 1978 at the Protection United Methodist Church.

Stan, son of Gene and Dixie Hazen, was born August 18, 1957 at Ashland, Kansas. Stan attended Protection school systems, graduating in 1976. Stan has three brothers, Merle, Steve and Trent, and two sisters, Kerry Hackney and Amy.

Kim was born March 6, 1960 at Minneola, Kansas. My parents are Bob Harmon, Ashland, Kansas and Linda Kaiser, Great Bend, Kansas. I attended Ashland school systems, graduating with the class of 1978. I was active in music, sports, and cheerleading. I have one younger brother, Darin.

We have made our first home at the former Albert Butcher residence located 9½ miles southwest of Protection. On December 10, 1980, we were blessed with a little girl, Darci Lynne, born at Ashland, Kansas. Darci shares her birthday with her greatgrandfather, Bill Underwood, Mena, Arkansas. On May 16, 1983, a little brother arrived, Jeremy Kent, born in Coldwater, Kansas.



Stan, Jeremy, Darci and Kim Hazen

Our family are members of the United Methodist Church in Protection. Stan is engaged in farming with his father and raising and caring for his cattle. I have worked at Les' Jack and Jill and also yard bookkeeper at the general office of The Home Lumber and Supply Company in Ashland. We enjoy living in a small community and plan to stay and raise our family here.

Submitted by Kim Hazen

#### CARL HEATH FAMILY

Carl and Pearl Heath are farmers, cooks, artists, actors and travelers. Their first love is fixing up old houses, doing most of the work themselves. Carl was a carpenter of sorts and worked some at that trade in Columbia, Missouri, where he and Pearl planned, and had built, their dream home, before moving to Ashland in 1950.

In Ashland they purchased the Christian Church Manse, remodeled it and lived there for twenty years. During that time they operated Heath's Lunch on Main Street, Heath's Highway 160 Cafe and Heath's Grocery on Main Street. Carl cut meat for Robert's Grocery and Fisher's IGA . . . Pearl worked at Ganson's Ready to Wear and was secretary manager of the Chamber of Commerce.



Left to right: Bill Seidel, Al Seidel, Myrna Seidel Heath, Madge Randall, John Paul Randall, Pearl Bunker Heath, David Benton Heath, Carl Martin Heath, David Bunker Heath, Carline Heath Lewis, Lowell Randall and Theda Cox Seidel. Christmas, 1968.

In 1970, they moved to Columbia, Maryland, where Carl was a chef at the Garland Dinner Theatre which was managed by Carline and Robert Lewis. Pearl sold real estate and taught needlework at Inez' Shop.

In 1978, they purchased their present home at 516 Highland. Carl retired and Pearl works during harvest for the Kansas Department of Human Resources.

The Heath's children are David Bunker Heath and Dorothy Carline Lewis. Their grandchildren are Carle Gauntlett Hylkema, Raymond J. Friedson (deceased age 16 with leukemia), David Benton Heath and Daniel Glenn Heath. Great grandchildren, Bree Hylkema and Tans Hylkema.

Submitted by Pearl Bunker Heath

### DAVID B. HEATH FAMILY

Myrna D. Seidel, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Seidel, and David B. Heath, son of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Heath, all of Ashland, were united in marriage, June 24, 1962 in the First Presbyterian Church in Ashland. Dave and Myrna have two sons, David, born January 31, 1965, and Daniel, born April 28, 1969. Both boys were born in the Ashland Hospital. At this writing, David is a freshman at Dodge City Community College with plans of majoring in physical education and someday becoming a coach and teacher. Dan is a freshman in Ashland High School and enjoys sports, playing the guitar and being an amateur magician.



Danny, David, Dave and Myrna, 1984

During the first eleven years of their marriage, David was engaged in business, first with his father, Carl, in Heath's Grocery, and then with his father-in-law, Al, in Al's Service. Myrna taught and worked in the Ashland Grade School off and on during that time.

In 1973, Al and Theda Seidel and Dave and Myrna purchased the Gambles Store on Main Street from Cleo and Bessie Bliss. The four of them ran the store until 1980 when Dave and Myrna purchased the store from Al. At this time they are still engaged in the hardware and appliance business.

The family enjoys doing many things together, chiefly among these are camping, boating and water-skiing.

Submitted by Myrna Heath

# LEWIS E. AND LUELLA M. (WAUGH) HEINEY

Sixth child of Perry M. and Mable M. Waugh, Luella moved to Ashland at the age of four with her parents, brothers and sisters. She attended the first three grades in Ashland, then moved to Goodman, Missouri with the family and on to Rogers, Arkansas after her father's death in 1932. She returned to Ashland in the fall of 1938 and lived with her sister and brother-inlaw, Ruth and Kenneth Salyer, and completed her high school education at Ashland.

Following graduation, Luella attended the Wichita Business College and worked in an insurance office prior to her marriage on December 26, 1941 to Lewis E. Heiney of Bloom.

Lewis was employed at Lockheed Aircraft at Burbank, California during World War II as an engineer and Luella worked part time as a church secretary until their first child, a daughter, Evelyn Marie, was born on September 17, 1944.

Following Lewis' draft into the Air Force in 1945, they lived near Dayton, Ohio, while he was stationed at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base. On February 17, 1946, Evelyn died at 17 months of age.



# Kathryn, Lewis, Luella and Marilou Heiney

In June, 1946, they returned to Bloom where Lewis worked in his father's machine shop. On March 26, 1947, a daughter, Sarah Kathryn, was born. Luella worked for Bloom Coop as a bookkeeper for several months prior to their move to Manhattan, Kansas, where Lewis completed studies for a Masters Degree in Metallurgy. Luella worked in the alumni office at the university.

In 1953, they moved to Wichita and Lewis was employed by Boeing and here on October 17, 1956, their third daughter, Marilou Diane, was born. Boeing transferred Lewis to the Seattle, Washington area in 1965 and the family lived in Kirkland and Bellevue until 1971 when they moved to Oklahoma and purchased a laundry and dry cleaning business in Broken Arrow. They operated that business until 1978 when they sold it and Lewis retired at that time.

Luella has been employed for twelve years as an accountant with a CPA firm in Broken Arrow and looks forward to retirement and an opportunity to pursue projects around their home.

Their daughters, Kathryn and Marilou, are both married and live in the Tulsa area. Kathryn has a daughter, Sarah Christine, three years old. Marilou is expecting her first child in late 278 August, 1984.

Submitted by Luella Waugh Heiney

#### EDWARD ALBERT AND MABLE FLO HENSLEY

Edward Albert and Mable Flo Hensley began their 51 years together January 24, 1925. They were farmers-stockmen. Edd was born July 4, 1900 in a gypsum house on the southwest addition of Ashland. The tenth child of Joseph and Mary Hensley, Edd grew up on the family farm south of Ashland. He attended the Sunnyvale School.

Flo was born Mable Flo O'Bleness, September 11, 1904, at Claflin, Kansas. She moved to Clark County in May, 1922 and graduated from Ashland High in 1923.

Mable Flo and Edward A. Hensley, 1975



Their first two years of married life was spent farming the land, now owned by Richard Degnan. In 1927, they moved to the Mull farm, and Edd bought his first new John Deere tractor. In 1932, Edd and Flo moved to the farm three miles north of Acres, where they lived 37 years and raised their two children, Thomas and Patricia, purchasing their own land in 1949.

Edd helped start the first 4-H club in this area, helped to get the Farm Bureau established, served 15 years on the soil conservation board, and served as superintendant of the swine and poultry at the county fair for many years.

In July, 1969, Edd and Flo moved to their home in Ashland. Edd continued farming on a small scale, being semi-retired. They were of the Catholic faith.

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There he met Mary Paderial, who had been born in Muncho, Bohemia, June 3, 1855, and who immigrated to Iowa in 1868 with her family. The crew of the sailing ship laughed at Mary's mother for bringing a sack of barley bread on board. With her woman's intuition, she told them that they'd be glad she had the bread. On the high seas, the crew got intoxicated and the ship wandered off course and got lost. It was 13 weeks before they reached port, and the bag of barley bread helped keep them all alive.

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In 1883, Joseph came to Kansas and homesteaded a quarter in what is now the southwest part of Ashland, the "Hensley Addition." He brought Mary and the children west in 1884, driving The four of them ran the store until 1980 when Dave and Myrna purchased the store from Al. At this time they are still engaged in the hardware and appliance business.

The family enjoys doing many things together, chiefly among these are camping, boating and water-skiing.

Submitted by Myrna Heath

#### LEWIS E. AND LUELLA M. (WAUGH) HEINEY

Sixth child of Perry M. and Mable M. Waugh, Luella moved to Ashland at the age of four with her parents, brothers and sisters. She attended the first three grades in Ashland, then moved to Goodman, Missouri with the family and on to Rogers, Arkansas after her father's death in 1932. She returned to Ashland in the fall of 1938 and lived with her sister and brother-inlaw, Ruth and Kenneth Salyer, and completed her high school education at Ashland.

Following graduation, Luella attended the Wichita Business College and worked in an insurance office prior to her marriage on December 26, 1941 to Lewis E. Heiney of Bloom.

Lewis was employed at Lockheed Aircraft at Burbank, California during World War II as an engineer and Luella worked part time as a church secretary until their first child, a daughter, Evelyn Marie, was born on September 17, 1944.

Following Lewis' draft into the Air Force in 1945, they lived near Dayton, Ohio, while he was stationed at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base. On February 17, 1946, Evelyn died at 17 months of age.



Kathryn, Lewis, Luella and Marilou Heiney

In June, 1946, they returned to Bloom where Lewis worked in his father's machine shop. On March 26, 1947, a daughter, Sarah Kathryn, was born. Luella worked for Bloom Coop as a bookkeeper for several months prior to their move to Manhattan, Kansas, where Lewis completed studies for a Masters Degree in Metallurgy. Luella worked in the alumni office at the university.

In 1953, they moved to Wichita and Lewis was employed by Boeing and here on October 17, 1956, their third daughter, Marilou Diane, was born. Boeing transferred Lewis to the Seattle, Washington area in 1965 and the family lived in Kirkland and Bellevue until 1971 when they moved to Oklahoma and purchased a laundry and dry cleaning business in Broken Arrow. They operated that business until 1978 when they sold it and Lewis retired at that time.

Luella has been employed for twelve years as an accountant with a CPA firm in Broken Arrow and looks forward to retirement and an opportunity to pursue projects around their home.

Their daughters, Kathryn and Marilou, are both married and live in the Tulsa area. Kathryn has a daughter, Sarah Christine, three years old. Marilou is expecting her first child in late 278

#### August, 1984.

Submitted by Luella Waugh Heiney

# EDWARD ALBERT AND MABLE FLO HENSLEY

Edward Albert and Mable Flo Hensley began their 51 years together January 24, 1925. They were farmers-stockmen. Edd was born July 4, 1900 in a gypsum house on the southwest addition of Ashland. The tenth child of Joseph and Mary Hensley, Edd grew up on the family farm south of Ashland. He attended the Sunnyvale School.

Flo was born Mable Flo O'Bleness, September 11, 1904, at Claflin, Kansas. She moved to Clark County in May, 1922 and graduated from Ashland High in 1923.

Mable Flo and Edward A. Hensley, 1975



Their first two years of married life was spent farming the land, now owned by Richard Degnan. In 1927, they moved to the Mull farm, and Edd bought his first new John Deere tractor. In 1932, Edd and Flo moved to the farm three miles north of Acres, where they lived 37 years and raised their two children, Thomas and Patricia, purchasing their own land in 1949.

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Joseph and Mary Hensley and first grandson, Francis Edward Myers

One hard winter, snow delayed a trip for some time, and supplies got low. When Joseph left, he told Mary that their sow would starve before he returned. But Mary fed the sow a mixture of water and her remaining flour, and the sow lived. In the spring, the sow had a litter of pigs that provided meat for the family.

In Ashland, Joseph and Mary had seven more children: Dora (the first white child born in Clark County), twins Katherine and Andrew, Ludwig, Mary, Paul and Edward.

In 1902, Joseph traded his Ashland quarter to his cousin Caspar for 720 acres two miles south of Ashland, where his son Paul still lives.

Joseph Hensley died April 19, 1928, and Mary Poderial Hensley died November 9, 1937.

Submitted by Paul Hensley

### PAUL JOHN HENSLEY FAMILY

Paul and Kathryn Hensley still reside at the farmstead that Paul's father, Joseph, purchased in 1902. The house (then only three rooms) was the first wooden structure in the area. It was built of white pine held together by square nails. Paul remodeled it in the early 1940's.

Paul was born December 17, 1898, in a sod house in the southwest corner of Ashland, now called the Hensley Addition. He was the ninth child of Joseph and Mary Hensley, pioneer settlers of Ashland. He attended Sunnyvale School on the southwest corner of the present farm.

Kathryn, daughter of Calvin and Mary Ann Vandeveer, was born September 23, 1902, in Hutchinson, Kansas. After graduating from Ashland High School in May of 1923, she was an assistant to Dr. John J. Brownlee of Hutchinson. She and Paul were married May 6, 1925, in Ashland.

Paul lived on the home place continuously since 1902, farming with his father. Then in August, 1939, he purchased the farm from the estate of Joseph and Mary Hensley and continued to farm it until retirement in 1972. When many people despaired of farming during the dustbowl and depression of the thirties, Paul persisted, operating a dairy for cash income. His beef cattle were branded with a V-H-bar. He still enjoys working in the soil, planting a large garden each year.

Paul was a member of the Farm Bureau Board for several years, and was president one year. He served many terms on the St. Joseph's Church Board and on the Building Committee for



The Paul Hensley family, May 4, 1975. Back: Eleanor, Jim and Barbara. Front: Paul and Kathryn

construction of the present church.

Kathryn supported Paul in his farming and was active in the Farm Bureau Extension. She served on the Federal Land Bank Board for two years. She sang in the church choir and was a member and officer of the St. Joseph's Altar Society. She was president of the Retreat Association of St. Mary of the Plains College. Recently, she was chairwoman of the Vocation Committee for Renew, a spiritual program in the church.

Kathryn was named Woman of the Year for 1981 by the Business and Professional Women of Ashland for fifty-five years of service as a sales clerk on Ashland Main. Her first position as a clerk was for the Hensley Millinery, owned by her sisters-in-law, Anna B. Yunker and Katherine A. Hensley.

Paul and Kathryn have three children: Barbara Ann, born October 12, 1932; Eleanor Louise, June 24, 1935; and James Andrew, December 6, 1945. All the children are thankful for such loving and caring parents, and for the sacrifices they have made to help make Ashland the community it is.

Submitted by Barbara Hensley Berry

# RUSSELL HENSLEY

The eldest of four children, and the only son of Thomas Edward and Claudette Fox Hensley, Russell Edward Hensley was born October 6, 1955, at Dodge City, Kansas. He attended both grade and high school in Ashland and graduated in 1973. During high school he was awarded the Outstanding Achievement in Woodwork award and from that received the inspiration for his chosen profession, carpentry. He attended Liberal Area Vocational-Technical School of Carpentry and was graduated in 1974. Russell returned to Ashland to start his construction company, Russell Hensley Construction, where he presently is self-employed.

Russ, as he is known by family and friends, is active in many community activities, is a member of St. Joseph's Catholic Church, serves on the Ashland Volunteer Fire Department and has residence at the corner of Grant and Roby Streets in Ashland.

Submitted by Russell Hensley

### TOM HENSLEY FAMILY

Both Tom and Claudette Hensley are descendants of early Clark County families and have spent all of their lives in the Ashland community with residence at 407 Roby Street, which is a part of land which was homesteaded by Tom's grandfather, Joseph Hensley, in the early 1880's.

Thomas Edward Hensley was born September 4, 1931, the son of Edward Albert and Mable Flo O'Bleness Hensley. He attended Ashland schools and graduated in 1949. He served with the U.S. Army in Tokyo, Japan, with the 720th M.P. Battalion from 1952 until his discharge in November, 1954. Upon discharge, he and Claudette were married on his parent's thirtieth wedding anniversary, January 24, 1955. He resumed his farming interests, and also worked as a mechanic for Stephens Implement and Freeman John Deere, and as a welder.



Tom Hensley family in 1982. Standing: Russell Hensley, Melanie Hink, Cindy Mabry, Karen Norton. Sitting: Tom and Claudette Hensley.

The daughter of Roy Lee and Ruth Wright Fox, Claudette Ruth Fox, was born November 2, 1933, at Ashland, Kansas, and lived in Lexington community until the death of her father in 1938, when the family moved to Ashland. She attended school in Ashland and was graduated with the class of 1951. She was employed as a telephone operator until their marriage.

The Hensleys have four children and one grandson: Russell Edward, Ashland; Melanie Kaye Hink, Fritch, Texas; Cynthia Lynn Mabry, Hugo, Minnesota; Karen Marie Norton, Ashland. Their grandson is Dustin William Hink, son of Melanie and Bill Hink. They derive great pleasure from their family and home. The Hensleys are members of St. Joseph's Catholic Church.

The Hensleys own and operate Plantland Floral & Gifts and Plantland Garden Center and Greenhouse.

Submitted by Claudette Hensley

#### DENNIS HERMAN FAMILY

<sup>^</sup> Dennis Herman was born October 24, 1946, only child of Mildred Holiday and the late John Herman. He attended grades 1-12 in the Ashland schools, graduating in 1964. After graduation, he worked for Bliss Plumbing until 1966, when he enlisted in the United States Navy Seabees, serving two tours of duty in Vietnam. Upon his discharge, he went to work for the Gas Service Co. in Hutchinson in 1969, marrying Joanne Preisner on August 16, at St. Joseph's Church, Ashland. In 1975, he moved to Halstead with his family working for Brookshier Plumbing Co. of Newton. In 1979, he graduated from Climate Control Institute of Wichita. In 1980, he went to work at his present job for the Halstead Hospital operating the energy center. He is a member of the Halstead Volunteer Fire Department and an active member of the Sacred Heart Men's Club.

Joanne, daughter of Frank and Leona Preisner, was born June 25, 1950. She attended grades 1-8 at St. Joseph's Catholic School, graduating from Ashland High in 1968. She graduated from Hutchinson Jr. College in 1970, majoring in medical records. She worked for Grace Hospital until 1973. She is presently employed by the Halstead Hospital working in the records department. She is on the Board of Directors for the Halstead Child Care Center, serves on the Recreation Commission and is a member of the Sacred Heart Altar Society.

The Herman's children are Clinton and Jennifer. Clint, born April 5, 1973, is a fourth grader and is involved in wrestling and baseball. Jennifer, born May 14, 1976, is a second grader and is involved in scouting and baseball.

The family is active in the community where they attend the Sacred Heart Church and are involved in sporting and scouting activities.

Submitted by Joanne Herman

#### ROY A. HERMAN

Roy A., the seventh in a family of nine children, was born to John and Mary Murphy Herman at the Eagle Canyon Ranch southeast of Mullinville, Kansas, May 12, 1926. His father was employed there at the time of his birth. Roy came to Ashland with his parents as an infant.

He attended the Ashland schools, graduating with the Class of 1944. Roy worked after school at the Nu-Way Cleaners for Mr. Marion Nelson, thus beginning his profession as a dry cleaner. After graduation, Roy entered the U.S. Navy serving in the South Pacific during World War II.

Roy came to Protection in August, 1946. At this time, he purchased the cleaning shop from the W.J. Mitchells, which we still operate.

Roy A. and Esther Herman,

1979



On January 1, 1947, Roy married Esther Delgado of Minneola, Kansas, the daughter of S.G. and Isabel Rivas Delgado. The Hermans have four daughters. Marilee Kay (1948) married to Larry Potter, living in Cheyenne, Wyoming; Catherine (1953) married to L.W. Holler, Jr., living in Protection; Lyndee Jo (1965) a senior in Protection High School, and Lisa Ann (1967) a sophomore. We have four grandchildren, Amy and Lori Ann Potter and Kami and Jason Holler.

Roy began employment with the U.S. Postal Service in Protection as a Flexible Schedule Clerk in 1973. On May 6, 1978, he was appointed Postmaster.

Our family is active in the Protection community and attend St. Joseph's Church, Ashland.

Submitted by Esther Herman

#### JOSEPH FRANK HERNDON

Joseph Frank Herndon, son of Joel and Lorah Bullock Herndon, was born June 21, 1898, at Willow Springs, Mo. He had three sisters. He married Eula Laverne Bolerjack, on June 22, 1920. They had five children: Helen, Myron, Margaret, Kenneth and a daughter, Norma, who died at the age of 7.

He joined the Army at the age of 18, during World War I. He



Grandpa Herndon, December 29, 1982

served as bugler and special messenger carrier. Frank was wounded while serving his country during the Battle of Argonne in France. He lay on the battlefield for 24 hours before they took him to a field hospital and he was paralyzed for three months.

Frank was always a lover of music and enjoyed the days his granddaughter, Bernita LeClear, would come and take him to Fountain View Villa to play the piano and visit with the people. She had been doing this for 2½ years as Frank decided he couldn't see well enough to drive anymore. He had been playing music at the rest home for 14 years. He was an avid golfer and played until his death April 10, 1983. He made his home with his daughter and son-in-law, Helen and R.T. Pittman, for 14 years. His wife, Eula, died February 27, 1977.

Submitted by Bernita LeClear

## CHARLES HEUGATTER FAMILY

Charles and Rogene Heugatter moved to the Gardiner Ranch near Ashland, Kansas in December of 1978.

Melvin Charles Heugatter was born August 13, 1951, in Bowie, Texas, the youngest of three children and the only son of Melvin Coy and Patsy Ruth Stubbs Heugatter. He attended the first grade in Bowie, Texas; second grade in Pontatoc, Oklahoma; third and fourth grades in Fittstown, Oklahoma; fifth through tenth in Lexington, Oklahoma. He graduated from Boise City High School in 1969, whereupon he enrolled in Panhandle State University in Goodwell, Oklahoma. In the Spring of 1971, he was drafted into the United States Army. He served 14½ months in Korea. Upon his discharge he went into farming and ranching with his father-in-law. His father-in-law retired and sold the farm in 1978.

Phyllis Rogene Tooley, daughter of Roy Wayne and Delores Mae Kohler Tooley, was born August 20, 1951, in Boise City, Oklahoma. The oldest of eight children, she grew up on a farm south of Boise City and graduated from Boise City High School in 1969. After graduation, she attended Panhandle State University and worked at S & H Tractor Company in Guymon, Oklahoma as a bookkeeper and parts person. She married her high school sweetheart, Charles, June 5, 1970. Rogene started work in the Clark County Clerk's office in August of 1979. She was appointed County Clerk by Governor Carlin on August 13, 1982.

The Heugatters have one daughter, Shadlynn Mae, born November 22, 1974. Shad is a 3rd grader and enjoys 4-H, Brownies and horseback riding.

Rogene enjoys her job, all types of crafts and gardening. Charlie's favorite pastime is team roping. He has participated in PRCA Rodeos for the last four years.

Submitted by Rogene Heugatter

#### DAVID J. HICKS FAMILY

David J. and Angeline Black Hicks Wedding picture, April 19, 1900



Our father, David Hicks, was born in 1869 near Glencoe, Ontario, Canada. Our mother, Angeline Black, was born in 1873 in Ashtabula County, Ohio. Dad had been a real "lumberjack" and timber appraiser, mother a school teacher. They were married in 1900, the year Dad became a U.S. citizen. They had four children: Earl M., 1901; Laura B., 1904; Marian E., 1908; and Margaret V., 1913. They moved to Clark County in 1904.

Their first home was the Whipple Ranch, next to the Morris Ranch. The family moved to the present Roger Seacat farm in 1908. It was then the location of the Lexington Post Office and switchboard. In 1917 we moved to the farm on Highway 160, five miles east of Ashland. We attended the Sitka Methodist Church and for several years picked up our mail there. All three of us attended Centerville School and graduated from Ashland High. In 1947, we sold the farm and Dad moved to Wichita. Earl died in 1917, mother in 1924 and Dad in 1960.



Isaac Brown's 80th birthday party.

Laura worked in the Sitka Bank, in Wichita, Los Angeles, briefly in Washington, D.C. Marian taught Clark County schools and worked in Wichita and Washington, D.C. Margaret worked in Wichita, St. Louis and Washington, D.C. Margaret's husband died in 1965. In 1974, when we all could retire, we came to Albuquerque, New Mexico. A California cousin joined us here and we enjoy the area very much.

Submitted by Margaret Hicks Hufham

#### L. NEAL HILL FAMILY

The L. N. Hill family moved to Ashland in August, 1967. Neal, employed to teach English and journalism, and Betty, with Kathi, Lauri, and Kurt, ages 12, 4½ and 2½, established residence at 515 Highland.

Leland Neal Hill, born April 16, 1927 near St. Francis, Kansas, was the first of 12 children of Merl Melvin and Stella Lourine (Todd) Hill. His youth was spent in that area where he enjoyed hunting and fishing. Journalism interests developed through his boyhood job at the local newspaper. When 18, Neal enlisted in the Navy as a Seabee and was stationed in the Philippines during World War II. Discharged in 1946, he resumed work at the *St. Francis Herald*.



Leland Neal and Betty Hill, 1977

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Betty Eileen Gotchall's birth occurred May 12, 1933 at Lebanon, Nebraska, the second of four children born to Alferd and Edna Frankie (Mays) Gotchall. In 1940, the family moved to Goodland, Kansas. When 13, Betty developed polio which caused left-arm paralysis, most of which was eventually overcome by physical therapy. In 1950-52, she attended Southwestern College, Winfield, earned a 60-hr. certificate and became the 5th-6th grade teacher in Kanorado.

Neal and Betty were married December 20, 1952, establishing residence in Kanorado with Neal commuting to the *Goodland Daily News*.

In 1954, both enrolled in Ft. Hays Kansas State College. Betty graduated the following May, gave birth to Kathy Lourine August 28, and taught Hays' third graders during 1956-58 while Neal completed college requirements and shared parental and homemaking tasks. Golf became Neal's recreation.





Kathi Lou Hill, 1976, age 21

Kurt and Lauri Hill, 1981

After Neal's graduation in 1958, the Hills moved to Goodland where both taught school. Then, three-year-old Kathi contracted meningitis which resulted in life-long medical problems. Betty's decision to devote full-time to motherhood was prompted by Lauri Kay's arrival New Year's Eve, 1962. Two years later, on December 28, Jerry Kurtis was born.

As the children matured, Betty's desire to teach was realized in 1978 when she became Ashland's first grade teacher.

Kathi's life ended at age 22 when she drowned at Cedar Bluffs Dam during a Memorial Day outing with friends.

During childhood, Lauri enjoyed music and reading; Kurt was interested in all sports. Both attended Ft. Hays State University after their AHS graduations in 1981 and 1983.

Submitted by Betty Hill

#### DR. F.W. HINES FAMILY

Dr. Frederick Wirth Hines, 1904 Northwestern Dental School graduate, went to Ashland to practice dentistry. He grew up in Illinois but was influenced to "go West" partly by Dr. Simpson, Dodge City pioneer dentist, whom he knew at Northwestern.

Dr. Hines met Hilda Nelson while working in an art studio in Chicago to help finance his education. He persuaded her to come West, and they were married in Wichita in 1908, with Willis H. Shattuck as best man. Dr. Hines went by buggy to neighboring towns to reach some patients. He was also actively interested in concrete construction, farming, and cattle raising. The Hines family home on South Main was of early monolithic construction.

Dr. Hines was killed in a bus accident near Mayfield in 1928. Mrs. Hines and five children lived in Ashland but moved to Manhattan in 1932. The children are: Paul Nelson, born 1912; Walter Frederick, 1914; John Worth, 1916; Virginia Elizabeth, 1918 and William Charles, 1921. After the older boys graduated from KSC. Mrs. Hines moved to Boulder, later to Topeka where she died in 1972.

Paul, after KSC, taught vocational agriculture, became a county agent, was long affiliated with farming. In 1938, he married Mildred Johnson of Hartford. They raised two children, Ross and Melinda Hines Camp. With his second wife, Ferne Plum of Abeline, Paul had two children, Paula and Angie, and helped raise 282 three Plum children. Paul lives in Scott City, has two grandchildren and five step-grandchildren.

Walter, after KSC, taught at Beloit High School. He married Rachel Donabauer in 1939, earned his M.A. from Colorado U. and moved to Topeka where he taught in Washburn U. Night School fifteen years, became principal of three different schools in that area. He also was involved in crop-hail work, farming and land management. Rachel taught in Topeka twenty-three years. They have two children, Deborah Norman and Donald, and two grandsons. They retired in 1976 and reside in Topeka.



Back: Paul, Walter, John. Front: Bill Hines and Virginia Hines Clausen

John, after KSC, worked in Topeka, earned an M.A., Columbia U. 1941, served in the Navy INM Chicago, July 1941 until he participated overseas in Okinawa and Iwo Jima campaigns. He went on inactive duty, 1945, a Lieutenant Commander. He married Janis Michelsen in Illinois in 1943, moved to Kansas, 1953, to California in 1964. They have three children: John, Jr., Margaret Adams, Robert, and two grandsons. John retired in 1979; he and Janis live in Palo Alto.

Virginia graduated from college in Greeley, taught in elementary schools in Colorado, joined the Navy, and married Marvin Clausen, a naval aviator. The Clausens have lived in Chicago and Los Angeles where Marvin worked as an advertising executive and writer. They now reside in Prescott, Arizona.

Bill left Colorado U. to become a naval air cadet. After being commissioned, he married Jean Kaufer, Riviera, Texas, served on a carrier in the Pacific, leaving the service as Lieutenant Senior Grade. After the service, he joined his father-in-law's mercantile business in Texas. Bill and Jean have three children: Kay Houston, Dr. Jeff and Kelly Trlica, and five grandchildren. Bill is presently engaged in the farming and ranching business. He and Jean live in Riviera.

Submitted by John W. Hines

#### BILL HINK FAMILY

William Gene Hink and Melanie Kaye Hensley were married February 22, 1975 at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Ashland, Kansas. They made their home in Englewood, Kansas until November, 1975, then moved to Skellytown, Texas, where Bill was employed by UPG, Inc. They lived there for two years, then were transferred to Fritch, Texas, where they presently make their home.

Fritch is located in the heart of Lake Meredith, a large water recreation area, where the Hinks spend much of their leisure time enjoying fishing and skiing when Bill is not working in his yard, in which he takes great pride, and Melanie pursuing her hobbies of crafts and cooking.

Bill was born June 10, 1952, at Hays, Kansas, the son of Gene Thomas and Freda Marie Brown Hink. He attended schools in Melanie, Dusty and Bill Hink



Oklahoma, Texas, New Mexico and Kansas and graduated from Ashland High School in 1971. He attended Liberal Area Vocational-Technical School at Liberal, Kansas for one year.

Melanie was born September 2, 1956 at Dodge City, Kansas, the daughter of Thomas Edward and Claudette Ruth Fox Hensley. She attended school in Ashland and was graduated with the class of 1974. Melanie is employed part time by a florist shop in Fritch.

On April 6, 1980, the Hink's only child, Dustin William, was born at Borger, Texas.

Submitted by Melanie Hensley Hink

# BERT AND DOROTHY HOFFMAN

The Ashland area has been home to Bert Hoffman since 1925 when Josephine Hoffman, his mother, and her children moved to a farm southeast of Sitka. In 1929, they moved to a farm five miles north of Ashland and later into town.

In Sitka on May 17, 1938, Bert and Dorothy Breit, daughter of Peter and Mary Anne Breit, were married. The Breits came to the Sitka area in 1915 and years later moved into Ashland. Bert and Dorothy moved to Ashland in 1939 and to their home on the corner of highway 160 and Main in 1953. Bert worked on several ranches. Dorothy worked at a cafe then located across the street east of their present home, which, although hard work for Dorothy, supplied their son with some happy memories of the lunch counter.

In 1948, Bert became a roofing contractor. He is still in busiess although the last few years he has limited his work to have time to do the things they enjoy. While Dorothy produces beautiful quilts, Bert plays golf and the two of them enjoy Bingo, and raising a "porchfull" of flowers every summer.

They are the parents of two sons, Gary, born November 30, 1942, and Tom, born October 30, 1954, both live in Dodge City. They both married Ashland girls. Gary and Barbara McKinley, daughter of Ben and Inez McKinley, were married on June 18, 1962, and are the parents of three sons, Mitchell, born March 21, 1964, Brett, born August 18, 1966 and David, born October 4, 1967. Tom and Becky Bisel, daughter of Jim and Wanda Bisel, were married April 15, 1978 and are the parents of two daughters, Amber, born March 20, 1979 and Tiffany, born Novem-

Bert, Dorothy, Tom, Becky, Barbara and Gary Hoffman



ber 18, 1981.

Submitted by Barbara Hoffman

# EDWARD J. AND THELMA M. HOFFMAN

Edward Joseph Hoffman was born in Spearville, Kansas, September 4, 1905. He lived most of his boyhood days in Claflin, Kansas and moved to Clark County when in his early twenties, with his Mother, other brothers and sisters.

They lived on the George Harvey farm southeast of Sitka, later moving several miles north of Ashland where they farmed and raised cattle.

Ed Hoffman married Thelma M. Britschge, May 5, 1931, at St. Mary's Catholic Church, Sitka, Kansas by Fr. Joseph Oenbrink. The family attended church at St. Mary's until it closed and then attended St. Joseph's Catholic Church at Ashland.

When Ed and Thelma were first married, they lived north of Ashland in the Bloom vicinity on what was then known as the Evans Ranch.

Thelma Britschge Hoffman was born July 28, 1911 at Manhattan, Kansas, to Albert J. and Martha Grunewald Britschge.



Ed and Thelma Hoffman family. Betty, Lorraine, Dolores and Joan She came to Clark County around 1916 when she was four years old. Thelma has two sisters, Alberta Vandeveer and Neola Merscham, both of Medicine Lodge, Kansas, and one brother, Melvin Britschge, Burlingame, Kansas.

The Ed. Hoffman family lived south of Sitka on the Campbell-Harper ranch in Cimmarron Township for 12 years or so, then bought a home in Sitka where they lived until June, 1977 when they retired and moved to Derby, Kansas.

There are four daughters in the family: Dolores Downs, Derby; Betty Smalley, Towanda; Joann Buckner, Wichita; and Lorraine Hoffman, Houston, Texas; also ten grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

When Ed lived in Clark County, he farmed wheat, raised cattle and spent much of his time serving on county, township, school and church committees, especially serving many years as deputy assessor.

Hoffmans celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary May 9, 1981. After almost 52 years of marriage,Ed passed away in December, 1982. Thelma still makes her home in Derby.

Submitted by Thelma Hoffman

#### JOSEPHINE HOFFMAN

Josephine Hoffman was born September 8, 1873, in Trebendorf, Austria. She came to America at the age of nine, settling in Barton County. On November 12, 1889, she was married to Henry Hoffman. To this union fourteen children were born, twelve survived. She was widowed in 1914. In 1925, still having five sons and a daughter in the home, she was offered an opportunity to move to Clark County to a farm southeast of Sitka.

The western prairies were inviting, to a life in a small town. Many a meal was provided for the family with wild game. The boys worked on a number of ranches over the years. In 1928, the family moved to a farm north of Ashland, living there for twenty-two years. Her sons married Clark Countians, as did her daughter, Emma, who married Harry McPhail. Joe married Verna Cure, Gus married Clara Schmidt. Edd married Thelma Britschge,

Emil, Josephine and Mary



Bert married Dorothy Breit. Emil never married. He bought property in Ashland, and worked for the Clark County Highway Department until 1971. He and his mother made a home together and in 1947 his sister Mary came to Clark County and made her home with them. Mary worked for many Clark Countians, cleaning homes, baby-sitting and cooked for the Catholic school lunchroom.

Josephine Hoffman lived to be ninety-four, a happy person, living her faith and trusting in the Lord. She was greatly missed by her many descendants. She passed away January 2, 1968. Emil joined her January 29, 1973 and Mary passed away June 12, 1974.

Submitted by Emma Hoffman McPhail

### WILBUR HOFFMAN FAMILY

Wilbur Hoffman was born March 18, 1921, at Claflin, Kansas, to Frank and Frances Krier Hoffman. The family moved to Stratton, Colorado when he was four, and there he attended school, working later on farms and in the Civilian Conservation Corps at Hugo, Colorado. In 1940, he came to Clark County, employed at the Harper Ranch. In 1942, he enlisted in the Navy and was stationed in the Pacific aboard Ship McDona No. 351 for four years. Following his discharge, he did carpenter work at Burlington, Colorado, returning to Clark County in 1948, where he engaged in farming with his uncle, Ed Hoffman, of Sitka.

Geraldine Brown Hoffman, daughter of Wilbur and Katherine Breit Brown, was born September 17, 1924, near Ashland. She attended school at Sitka and Ashland, graduating in 1944. She was employed at the Faye Critzer Hardware Store (Protection) for 5 years. Wilbur and Geraldine were married May 10, 1949, at Sitka.

The Hoffman children are: Diana, born at Ashland, May 17,

Brenda Sue Price and Cassandra Le Hoffman, infant daughter of Don

Hoffman.



1950, where she attended school, graduating from high school in 1968 and Dodge City School of Cosmetology (1969). She and Jerry Price were married July, 1970, at Ashland. Don was born August 2, 1955, Ashland, and graduated from Ashland High



Wilbur Hoffman family, 1983. Diana, Geraldine, Wilbur and Don School in 1973. During his school years he was employed at Home Lumber Co. He and Montie Thompson were married April 8, 1978. Don is the owner of "Hoffman Painting Service," Ashland, but devotes much time to his Quarter Horse business.

The Hoffmans have one granddaughter, Brenda Sue Price. Another granddaughter, Cassandra Le Hoffman, born October 24, 1981, died January 3, 1983, at 14 months.

The family is active in the community and attends St. Joseph's Catholic Church. Wilbur is semi-retired after 30 years as maintenance engineer (Ashland High School and Ashland Hospital). Geraldine is a homemaker with her family and home her top priorities.

Submitted by Geraldine Brown Hoffman

#### OTHA GODDARD HOLIDAY FAMILY

Otha Goddard and Lula Edna Holiday were early pioneers of the southwest Kansas-Oklahoma area, settling in 1904 on land across the Kansas state line. After farming in the Harper, Kansas area for a while during their first year of marriage, they then traveled to southwest Kansas and into Oklahoma by way of covered wagon. During their journey to the Ashland area their milk cow developed a severe sore foot, so the animal was untied from the wagon and left with a farmer, whom they did not know, west of Medicine Lodge. The following spring, Otha traveled by horseback to the farm and picked up the family's cow. The farmer who took care of the cow for them offered to accept as payment for her keep the milk the cow had produced during the winter. In 1915, they sold their farm in Willard, Oklahoma and moved back to Harper.

During their years spent in Willard, Otha operated his own freight line between Willard and Ashland. Otha witnessed quite frequently other wagons and mule teams going down in the quicksand of the Cimarron River never to be seen again. During Otha's younger years, he was a well-known athlete, putting his talent to use in many ways. He boxed Saturday evenings at the old Ashland Opera House going undefeated for many seasons. He was an excellent swimmer and was once called upon to swim the flooded Cimarron River to take an important message to the other side.

In 1933, Otha and Lula moved their family back to Ashland where Otha (better known as O.G.) was Ashland's blacksmith, maintaining his shop on South Main in the Mart Coggins building for 10 years. During this time, Otha also drilled the deepest well then known in Clark County in search of water. The well was drilled on the now Dave Bouzidon Ranch, and was 500 ft. deep, producing 10 gallons of salt water every 24 hours. From 1943 until his retirement in the early 1960's, O.G. was custodian in the old Ashland High School.



Otha, Lloyd and Lula Holiday - 1907

Otha was the son of Daniel M. Holiday and Cynthia E. (Watkins) Holiday. Lula Edna Gleason was the orphaned daughter of L.E. and A. Gleason. She was raised by her relatives, Thomas and Elizabeth Almond, and married Otha on August 13, 1902. They were married at Pond Creek, Oklahoma; he was 21, she 18. To their union four children were born: a son, Lloyd C. Holiday (now deceased), and three daughters, Leona (Mrs. Roy Burke of Oologah, Oklahoma), Thelma (Mrs. Frank Mullendore of Harper, Kansas) and Mildred (Mrs. Syd Malt of Ashland, Kansas).

It was with a true pioneer spirit the couple lived and reared a family. Through their 68 years of marriage, they always maintained an attitude of love and sharing. They both were members of the Ashland Methodist Church and their hobbies consisted of playing musical instruments and studying the Bible. Otha was an avid quoter of scripture and Lula enjoyed rearing her family and quilting.

A third generation grandson now lives in the Holiday home place, Mr. and Mrs. Ted Holiday of Ashland. Ted and his brother, Clarence E. of Sacramento, California, were the only male heirs born to the Holiday name. They each have three daughters, and so with the fifth generation of O.G. and Lula Holiday, the name quietly comes to an end.

Submitted by Mrs. Margie (Holiday) Stephens

### TEDDY L. HOLIDAY FAMILY

Ted was the only child of Lloyd C. and Margie M. (Howell) Holiday. He was born at Harper, Kansas (making him a native Kansan) in December of 1928. His mother died ten days after his birth and he was raised by his grandparents, the O.G. Holidays, until the age of five, and grew to adulthood in Englewood-Ashland area.

V. Jane (Brewer) Holiday was the second child of Ireland and Myra Reba Marie (Knight) Brewer. She was born at Ft. Smith, Arkansas in October of 1932 and lived in Arkansas during her childhood.

Ted and Jane met at Patterson, California and were married at Reno, Nevada. To their union three daughters were born: Linda,

Jane and Ted Holiday, 1961



of Tulsa, Oklahoma, Margie, of Ashland, and Donna, also of Ashland.

Ted and Jane have lived in Ashland since 1967. For six of the years they have lived here they owned and operated Ted Holiday's Well Service. Ted became well known in the community when he struck a bargain with a long established ranching firm of the area to drill several water wells guaranteeing the firm of fresh water with each completed well. With each successful well drilled, the firm agreed to pay double the price and with each unsuccessful well they paid nothing. None of the wells drilled were dry. Ted's method of finding water was by the art of witching.

Ted and Jane's main hobby is their four grandchildren, Shawn Sweeney, Bryan Allison and Chris and Lyne Stephens. Other hobbies consist of guitar, oil painting, gardening, and camping. They are member of St. Joseph's Catholic Church and participate in many community events.

Submitted by Margie (Holiday) Stephens

#### JIM HOLLIWAY FAMILY

Jim Holliway came to the Sitka area during the 1921 harvest season. His wife, Eva Romine, was raised in Ashland. Jim and Eva were married in the Methodist Parsonage in Sitka on August 16, 1924. Jim worked on the Shattuck Ranch in the Lexington community for several years. He moved the family to the Mc-Minimy farm south of Sitka where he farmed until 1941.

During that summer the family moved to Ashland. Jim was the City Street Superintendent until May 22, 1967, when he had a stroke leaving him confined to a wheelchair until his death on October 26, 1969. Jim took gratification in the care and maintenance of the Ashland streets. He was also caretaker of Highland Cemetery and the City Park. Come Memorial Day, the cemetery was properly groomed, always looking more than ready for the many visitors.



Back row: Don, Ethel, Margaret Ann, Harold. Front: Jim, Beccy (Brooks) and Eva, 1945.

Eva and Jim took great pride in their family, ten grandchildren and several great-grandchildren.

Jim and Eva had two daughters and two sons.

Don Holliway and family have lived in Los Alamos, New Mexico, since 1959. He is a school administrator. Next year he will be principal of the new Los Alamos Middle School.

Ethel (Holliway) and Dick Brooks and their family live in Garden City. She has been employed by the Police Department for 20 years as dispatcher and records clerk. Dick is employed with IBP.

Margaret Ann (Holliway) Pullen and family live in Blue Springs, Mo. Her husband, Mack, is a minister.

An independent businessman, Harold Holliway and family have lived in Arvada, Colorado since 1953 where they established the Holliway Insurance Agency, Inc.

In the picture, standing between Jim and Eva, is their first grandchild, Beccy (Brooks) Landgraf, who spent the summers with them, playing softball on an Ashland team.

Submitted by Ethel Holliway Brooks

### HAROLD HOLT

Maurine Clawson, only child of Opal (Mull) Clawson and Julian Clawson, was born in Ashland May 15, 1928.

My maternal grandparents, Henry and Jennie Mull, settled near Ashland in 1885--one year after the town was established. My paternal grandparents, Edna and Cam Clawson, moved to the Englewood-Ashland area in 1915.

I grew up on a farm west of Ashland and attended twelve years of grade and high schools in Ashland. I graduated in 1946. My freshman and sophomore years of college were at Southwestern College, Winfield, Kansas, and my junior and senior years at Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas. I majored in English and received my degree in 1950.

I met Harold Holt of Guymon, Oklahoma, at KSU and we were married in August, 1950. Harold majored in geology,

Maurine and Harold Holt



earned his degree in 1951 and taught at KSU for two years while working on his masters degree.

We decided to farm with Harold's parents on land that his dad homesteaded in No Man's Land, Oklahoma Panhandle. This land is now farmed by Harold and our son.

<sup>•</sup> Kevin was born January, 1954. He lives on the farm ten miles north of Guymon with his wife, Kim, and two sons, Julian II, six years old and Nick, who is four.

Daughter Kelley was born April, 1960. She has a degree in special education from Oklahoma State University and is teaching in Cushing, Oklahoma.

Harold and I are members of the Methodist Church where Harold has sung in the choir for 30 years. I enjoy reading, P.E.O., bridge, and we especially enjoy flying and traveling.

Submitted by Maurine Clawson Holt

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#### ASA M. HOOFER FAMILY

Asa M. Hoofer, born April 3, 1918, in Coldwater, Kansas, was the second child of Roy and Clara Hoofer. He attended the Coldwater schools and later moved to Coal Hill, Arkansas with his family. Asa came to Clark County in 1935 with the CCC Corps where he helped in building the Clark County State Fishing Lake. He has lived in Ashland since 1940. He was a member of the Ashland Fire Department for 25 years and has helped with many community activities.

Helen E. Coverdale, first child of Leroy and Fannie Coverdale, was born May 12, 1920, at Pratt, Kansas. She moved with her parents to Clark County in 1927. She attended Sitka Grade School and graduated from Ashland High School in 1938. Asa and Helen were married June 28, 1941 in Ashland. The Hoofer's son, Barry L., was born in Ashland, March 1, 1942.



Helen, Barry and Asa Hoofer, 1946

Barry attended the Ashland schools and graduated from high school in 1960. He attended Kansas State University and moved to Wichita in 1965. He married Helen S. Hartley of Winfield on August 16, 1969. They live in Wichita where he is employed by Sasnak Corp. They have two sons, Matthew B., born April 21, 1971 and Grayson R., born September 18, 1975.

As a and Helen are members of the First Christian Church. They have been active in Kansas Campers Association and were president of the state organization in 1980 and 1981.

Helen spent many years employed as receptionist for Jerry H. McNickle, M.D., and later in the same position for George A. McNickle, M.D.

Both are presently retired. They still enjoy camping, fishing and vacationing throughout the U.S.A.

It has been very gratifying to be residents of the Ashland community.

Submitted by Helen Hoofer

#### JEAN S. HOOPER

Jean Elizabeth Shattuck, oldest child of Willis Henry and Ethel Luther Shattuck, was born in Ashland, Kansas, August 30, 1914. After elementary school at District No. 40, Lexington Township, she graduated from Ashland High School in 1931. Attending College of Emporia for a year, she then taught at District No. 40, later was a secretary for the Clark County Welfare Office. Upon graduation from Washburn College in 1938, she was employed by the Works Progress Administration as supervisor of certification for nineteen counties in southwest Kansas.

On November 30, 1939, she marreid Melvin Harr Hooper, son of Dr. and Mrs. C.L. Hooper of Pueblo, Colorado. Until 1942, they lived in Colorado, where Lt. Hooper commanded CCC camps in various locations. Remaining in the army after World War II, they lived in El Paso, Texas; Sheldrake, New York; Ft. Hancock, New Jersey; Pusan, Korea; Ft. Lewis, Washington; Ft. Totten New York; Ft. Jackson, South Carolina; Karlsruhe, Esslingen and Heidelberg, Germany; and now live in Arlington, Virginia, since Lt. Colonel Hooper's retirement.

They have five daughters: Sacie Margaret (Hall) Lambertson (Mrs. David F.); Jean Ethel (Rust) Vogel (Mrs. Perry K.); Susan Belle Rust (Mrs. Thomas L.); Katherine Elizabeth McGregor (Mrs. Stephen E.); and Mary Shattuck Hooper (married to James A. Slinkman, retaining her maiden name). Grandchildren are: Jennifer Margaret Hall, Hugh David Hall, Dan Shattuck Hall, Roger Stuart Rust, Jr., Jessica Ethel Rust, Peter Melvin Hooper Rust, Thomas Locke Rust, Jr., Sarah Hooper Rust, Stephen Edward McGregor, Jr., and another McGregor expected in July. Submitted by Jean Elizabeth Shattuck Hooper

# LOLA MARIE BREIT HOPKINS

After my parents moved to Protection, Kansas, from Sitka, I always looked forward to Sunday. That was when we went to church at Sitka and stopped by Grandma Wasinger's and Auntie



Four generations of the Anna Wasinger family. First generation: Anna Scheck Wasinger; second generation, Catherine (Katie) Wasinger Breit; third generation, Lola Marie Breit Hopkins; and fourth generation, Mark Alan Hopkins, 1954.

and Uncle Joe Breit's and had dinner with them most of the time until I got married. Happy days I'll never forget. Submitted by Lola Marie Hopkins

# ERNEST AND DAISY HOUGH

Ernest was born March 16, 1895, near Scribner, Nebraska Daisy was born August 3, 1901 near Capron, Oklahoma.

Ernest and Daisy Miller were united in marriage August 16, 1920 in Alva, Oklahoma. A short time later Ernest's parents, Levi and Margaret Hough from Ashland, Kansas, asked Ernest and his new bride to come and be with them, as Margaret was very ill. Margaret was rushed to Wichita for surgery. She seemed to be recovering nicely until shortly before her death, January 8, 1921.

Levi asked Ernest and Daisy if they could possibly stay with him as they were surely needed. Ernest and Daisy talked it over and decided to stay.

July 4, 1921, their first child was born. They named her Leta Virginia. November 20, 1926, their second daughter was born. They named her Margaret Fern.

Daisy Hamilton, December, 1948



December 19, 1927, Levi Hough was taken ill and died within hours. In June, 1928, a horrible hail and wind storm struck the farm. The wheat was beaten into the ground, cattle, pigs and chickens were killed; holes were knocked in the roof, all windows broken out. This was a real disaster. They sold what was left and moved into Ashland to start anew. Both Ernest and Daisy worked as this was the great depression.

Beautiful friendships were made in Ashland and lasted throughout the years. Ernest was working at the Ashland Light Plant before he became ill and died February 22, 1946.

Several years later, Daisy married Clarence Hamilton in Garden City, Kansas June 15, 1948. He died September 1, 1963.

Daisy makes her home in Alva, Oklahoma.

Submitted by Virginia Branham and Fern Eubank

# DONALD D. HOWELL

Don and Olga Howell have resided in Ashland since September of 1966. Don, the youngest son of Virgil and Nellie Howell, was born and raised in the Ashland vicinity. He attended the first five grades at Ashland followed by the next two years in Sitka. In 1949, when the Ashland and Sitka schools were consolidated, he returned to Ashland, graduating from high school in 1954. He attended Kansas State University for two yeas and graduated from Northwestern State University with a degree in mathematics. After college he served two years in the U.S. Army. Don was employed by Maryland Casualty Company in Oklahoma City and ultimately transferred to the company's branch office in Chicago, Illinois.



Don, Olga, Janet, Barbara and Mario Howell

Olga was born and raised in Ecuador, South America and moved to Chicago, Illinois in 1960 where she was employed by Lions International. Don and Olga were married in Chicago and lived a brief time in Baltimore, Maryland where they were transferred by the insurance company. Initially, after moving back to Ashland, Don was employed by The Matthews Agency, Inc., where he worked until 1973 when he purchased the agency expirations and formed Howell Insurance, Inc.

Don and Olga have two children: Mario, residing in Colby, Kansas, married to the former Barbara Jensen of Denmark, Wisconsin, and Janet, a freshman in high school.

Submitted by Olga Howell

# TIMOTHY RUSSELL HOWELL

Timothy Russell Howell, the third child of Vernon and Gloria Howell, was born July 29, 1959 at Bartlesville, Oklahoma.

As a small child he lived in Dewey, Oklahoma, San Antonio, Texas and Liberal, Kansas, before moving with his family to Ashland in 1964. Tim went completely through school here, graduating with the class of 1977. He played defensive end on Ashland's first state champion football team in 1976 and was awarded an honorable mention on the Iroquois All-League Team.

Timothy Howell, 1981



Tim attended Dodge City Community College and Colorado Mountain College at Glenwood Springs, Colorado.

He was associated for awhile with his father in his farm-ranch operation and later worked in various phases of the Colorado tour industry, including skiing, sporting goods, trail guiding, and river rafting. At the present time he makes his home in Breckenridge, Colorado and is in the construction business. Tim is a member of the United Methodist Church and enjoys skiing, hunting, fishing and horses.

Submitted by Gloria Howell

### VERNON C. AND GLORIA R. HOWELL

Vernon Carl Howell, son of Virgil D. and Nellie Carlson Howell, was born in Ashland on February 24, 1927. He attended Sitka and Ashland schools, graduating from AHS in 1945. He served in the U.S. Navy for 1½ years and then attended Kansas State University for two years. After five years of farming and ranching near Ashland, he returned to Kansas State and graduated with a degree in geology in 1955.

Gloria Ruth Gruber was born October 4, 1933 at Ashland to Jackson H. and Avis Mackey Gruber. At an early age, Gloria's parents divorced and her mother married James Hubbard. Gloria used her step-father's name of Hubbard all through her school years in Denver, Colorado, and at Ashland, graduating with the class of 1951. On August 11, 1951, she and Vernon were married.

Vernon and Gloria Howell



In 1955, Vernon accepted a job as geologist for Cities Service Oil Co., a position he held for nine years. During this period the family lived in six states. In 1964, they returned to the Ashland area, where Vernon has since been engaged in farming, ranching, and part-time geological consultation. Gloria obtained an Associate of Arts degree from Dodge City Community College in 1980 and also attended NWOSU at Alva, Oklahoma.

The Howells are members of the United Methodist Church and enjoy travel, fly fishing, skiing, snorkeling and scuba diving.

They have three children: Gail Ann, born February 15, 1954, at Manhattan, Kansas, now Mrs. John Lowey of Lubbock, Texas; Andrew Allen, born January 24, 1957, at Bismarck, N.D., now of Wichita, Kansas; and Timothy Russell, born July 29, 1959, at Bartlesville, Oklahoma, now of Breckenridge, Colorado.

Submitted by Gloria Howell

#### VIRGIL AND NELLIE HOWELL

For all of their sixty years of marriage, Virgil and Nellie Howell lived in Clark County.

Virgil was born January 11, 1892, near Garfield, Kansas, to Francis and Ida May Howell, natives of Ohio and Pennsylvania. In 1914, he came to Clark County to farm with Bert and Harry Carlson. During World War I he served as a medic during the

Doris, Virgil, Nellie, Helen, Don and Vernon, 1939



1918 flu epidemic at the Selfridge Field Hospital near Detroit. Returning to Ashland in 1921, he owned and operated a blacksmith and welding shop for thirty years.

In 1923, he married the sister of his best friend, Nellie Carlson, also of Garfield. She was born July 10, 1891 to Swedish immigrants, Gustavus and Alma Carlson.

Virgil brought his bride to Sixth Street, next to Robert Nunemachers, where they lived until 1929, having bought their home on Fifth and Main (now the Senior Citizens Center).

In 1936, they moved with their four children, Doris, Vernon, Helen and Donald, to the farm southeast of Ashland where, except for intermittent periods in World War II, they lived until 1976. They moved to the house on South Main which Virgil remodeled for their retirement years.

Active in the Methodist Church and Bear Creek community, they maintained an interest in school activities and saw that their children received college educations. Their long union, enhanced with good health and a deep interest in Christian concerns, was severed when Nellie died on January 1, 1984. Virgil still lives in the South Main home, and their four children and families survive her.

Submitted by Doris Howell Patterson

### AVIS MACKEY HUBBARD

Avis Isabell Mackey was born at Ashland on June 7, 1909, the only child of Richard F. and Pearl Vallentine Mackey. In 1910, her family moved to Protection, Kansas, where she grew up, graduating from PHS in 1927. She then attended Northwestern State University at Alva, Oklahoma, where she received a degree in mathematics and science.

In 1930, she married Jackson Herod Gruber, of Alva, Oklahoma. To this union one child, Gloria Ruth, was born October 4, 1933 at Ashland. This marriage ended in divorce and Avis married James A. Hubbard in 1937. Along with Gloria, they made their home in Denver, Colorado, where Jim worked for the Red Star Yeast Co. and Avis taught in public schools. In 1945, they moved to Ashland, working with Avis' parents in the Rainbow Cafe for about three years.



Avis Mackey Hubbard, 1958

They bought a resort on Grand Lake (Oklahoma) in 1951. This later sold and they established a home on Grand Lake near Grove. Avis taught primary grades at Turkey Ford School and later served as school counselor at Grove High School, after obtaining a master's degree in counseling from NEOSU at Talequah, Oklahoma.

In 1968, Avis and Jim established a second home at Vinita, Oklahoma, where Avis worked for the Oklahoma Social and Rehabilitative Services at Eastern State Hospital. In 1979, she was named "Counselor of the Year" by the Oklahoma Rehabilitation Counseling Association.

Avis was a member of the Methodist Church, Delta Kappa Gamma and the D.A.R. She died on November 30, 1980 and Jim on March 30, 1981.

Submitted by Gloria Howell

# GAY AUGUSTA AND GERTRUDE JENNIE (MORRISON) HUGHS

Gay A. Hughs was born to Samuel H. Hughs and Ann Aliza (Bryant) on August 25, 1886, in the Lexington community. Gertrude Jennie was born to Henry and Mary Belle (Metcalf) Morrison on June 17, 1890 in the Lexington community. Gay and Gertie, as they were known, were school sweethearts and on September 10, 1905, were married in her parent's home in Lexington Township.

Gay and Gertie established their home in the Lexington Township, and engaged in farming. To this union five children were born: Leona Bessie (Simmons), Lottie (Mrs. James Mendenhall), Lillian (Mrs. Carl Blake), Gay A. Hughs, Warren G. Hughs.

Gay and Gertie were active in all functions of the community: the church, Epworth League, Literaries, box suppers, pie socials, community sing fests, baseball, tennis and dances. Gay was a 32 degree Mason and Shriner; Gertie was an active member of Eastern Star. Gay was a baseball and tennis fan. Gay was a charter member of Kansas Farm Bureau, and Gertie was a charter member of the Farm Bureau Unit, now called Extension Units.



Leona, Gay, Gertrude, Gay, Jr. Standing: Lottie and Lillian - 50th wedding anniversary

After his health failed, they moved to Ashland, where he served as Farm Bureau Insurance Agent for a number of years.

Gertie was a happy, outgoing person with a warm smile and a handshake for everyone, and her family and friends were her life. She wrote poems on any handy scrap of paper, and had three volumes of poetry published. She published a book *The Birth of the West* at age 86. She loved to ride horses and rode in Clark County Fair parades until she was 86. Many little girls cuddle her Gertrude dolls, fashioned and dressed by her. She loved singing and sang in the choir at the Methodist Church and Extension Unit Choir for many years. She served as president of the Clark County Historical Society and actively promoted the Pioneer Museum. She dedicated much of her energy and time to the Diamond Jubilee celebration in Clark County 25 years ago.

Gertie and Gay moved their farm home to Ashland in 1948. Gay died January 28, 1958, and Gertie continued to bring cheer and happiness to her family and multitude of friends until her death on August 2, 1978.

Submitted by Leona Simmons

#### HARLAND E. HUGHS FAMILY

Harland E. Hughs, son of the late T.M. Hughs and Ethel Pike-Hughs, was born on June 3, 1910 in the Lexington community. His father, Tim, was the son of Samual H. and Elisa Bryant-Hughs. They came to Clark County in 1884 and homesteaded in 1885. Harland still lives on one of the original quarter sections. Samual raised cattle and horses on the farm in addition to crops. Samual was eventually to become the first Clerk of Clark County.

Tim started farming at an early age and continued until his death in 1957. In 1905 he married Flora Ethel Pike, who was the daughter of N.E. and Nancy Lamb-Pike. Mr. Pike grew the first Turkey Red Wheat in Clark County.

Harland attended the Lexington grade school in the country. After completing the grades, he attended high school in Protection, Kansas. He graduated from there and went on to attend the University of Wichita in Wichita, Kansas.



Harland and Marjorie Hughs, 1981

Harland was called to service with the U.S. Air Force in 1942, where he served for three years. While he was in the service, in 1943, he married Marjorie E. Dugan of New York City, New York. Marjorie is the granddaughter of the late William C. Dugan who came to Clark County in 1885 and was the first Treasurer of Clark County. They had one son, Timothy W. Hughs, who was born in 1947. Tim married a Clark County girl, Ruth E. Anderson in 1967. They have one daughter, Megane A. Hughs born in 1975. They are both teachers in the Eudora, Kansas school system.

Harland received his discharge from the Air Force in 1945 and returned to Ashland and the Lexington communities to continue the farming and ranching operations started by his grandfather. Harland was involved in raising wheat and cattle until his retirement in 1983.

Submitted by Harland E. Hughs

### MILTON AND CHARLENE HUGHES

Milton Rollan Hughes, son of Afton and Pauline Lewis Hughes, was born December 7, 1930, in Spearman, Texas, but grew up on a farm near Durham, Oklahoma. Following high school, Milton served a term of duty in the U.S. Army, being stationed in West Germany. After his discharge, he enrolled in Panhandle State University, Goodwell, Oklahoma, majoring in education, graduating in 1958. His Master's Degree was earned at Southwestern (Okla.) State University.

Doris Charlene Randall, daughter of Charles and Frances York Randall, was born April 13, 1936, in Ashland. She attended the Sitka School until the eighth grade when the school was consolidated with Ashland. Following high school graduation in 1954, Charlene attended Southwestern College, Winfield, Kansas, graduating in 1958.

Milton and Charlene met in the fall of 1958 when both began their teaching careers in the Liberal Public Schools. They were married August 10, 1960. Both are still employed in the Liberal schools. Milton was a classroom teacher for three years and has been an elementary principal for twenty-three years. Charlene was a primary classroom teacher and since 1973 has been Director of Elementary Library Services for the district.

One son, Randall, was born February 4, 1964. He was active in Scouting, athletics, music and Honor Society while in Liberal High School. Presently he is a student at the University of Kansas.



Randall, Charlene and Milton Hughes

The family has been active in community affairs, church activities, and any endeavor involving their son. Milton has also found time for his favorite leisure-time hobby, gardening. Charlene served as organist for the First United Methodist Church, Liberal, for fifteen years.

Although our home is in Liberal, Ashland will always occupy a very special place in our hearts because of relatives, friends and fond memories.

Submitted by Charlene Randall Hughes

# SAMUEL AND ANNA ALIZA (BRYANT) HUGHS

Samuel H. and Aliza Bryant Hughs came to Lexington Township in 1884 where they pre-empted land. Samuel came ahead from Springfield, Mo. to build a dugout and dig a water well. Anna Aliza and sons, Ottawa and Timothy, came when their home was ready. She brought her Bible, her faith and song books with her. She and her neighbors organized the first Sunday School in Lexington meeting in the Hughs' dugout.

Samuel was conscripted by the South but ran away and joined the Northern Army. He was made a Mason in a deserted cabin while the North and South stacked their guns to administer the degree. He was the first elected Treasurer of Clark County in 1885. Uncle Sam, as he was called by friends and neighbors, was a colorful character, and a good neighbor. Aunt Liza, as Mrs.



Samuel and Aliza Hughs

Hughs was known, was a devoted wife, mother and a devout Christian. She was the daughter of Dr. David Bryant and had often helped with sickness. She was trained as a mid-wife and helped deliver over a hundred babies. She rode a horse to help her neighbors in labor, neither weather nor time stopping her. To this union eight children were born: Meridith, Rosella D., Lemuel, Dede, Ottawa, Timothy, Gay Agusta, and Annie Hughs (Rhoades).

The Hughs contributed much to the development of Lexington Community and to Clark County. They retired from farming about 1918 and moved to Ashland. She died November 4, 1931 and Samuel died December 24, 1936.

Submitted by Leona Simmons

# DEAN HULSTINE FAMILY

Dean, the younger of twin boys, was born in Ashland, April 22, 1929. He is the youngest of Leland and Ellen Pike Hulstine's five children. Dean graduated from Ashland High School in 1947 and in 1950 received a two year Certificate in Agriculture and Applied Science from Kansas State College, Manhattan. In June, 1955, Dean married Maxine Glover, eldest daughter of Raymond and Amanda Jantzen Glover.

Maxine was born in her grandmother Jantzen's home at Protection, Kansas, August 30, 1931. At the age of three weeks, her parents brought her to their Ashland home. Maxine graduated with the class of 1949. She received a BS degree in elementary education from Northwestern State College, Alva, Oklahoma in 1970.

Dean and Maxine have three sons. Dennis graduated from Southwest Area Vo-Tech, Liberal, Kansas, in automotive mechanics. He married Tracy Williams, August, 1982, and they live in McAllen, Texas. Dennis is employed by a GMC dealership.



Rodney holding daughter Amy, Linda, Sherry, Kim, Maxine, Dean, Tracy and Dennis

Rodney graduated with a degree in business administration from WSU. Linda Riggs became his wife in June, 1978. They, with their two daughters, live in Andover, Kansas. Rodney is employed by Unirex Corp.

Kim graduated from WSU with a degree in business administration. Kim and Sherry King were married June, 1983. They live in Wichita and Kim is employed by Cities Service Oil Co.

Dean and Maxine enjoy their home, children and grandchildren. They participate in activities of the First Church of God. Traveling is their hobby, especially as they anticipate retirement. Dean has always enjoyed woodworking and is employed as a carpenter.

Submitted by Maxine Hulstine

### IVAN AND VIOLA HULSTINE

Ivan Hulstine, son of Mr. and Mrs. Leland Hulstine, and Viola Mull, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Mull, were married in Methodist Church, Ashland, on September 1, 1943. Their grandparents were Mr. and Mrs. N.E. Pike, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Hulstine, Mr. and Mrs. U.G. Park and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Mull, all Clark County pioneers. They were classmates in high school and both graduated in 1939.

Their first year of marriage was spent in Cleveland, Ohio, while Ivan was in USCG during World War II. They were the parents of six children: Margaret Ellen, January 10, 1945; Martha Jane, June 25, 1946; twins Letitia Fay and Patricia May, February 11, 1949; Ivan Eugene, Jr., June 1, 1952 and Leland Robert, July 5, 1954. All their children attended Ashland Elementary and High



Ivan Hulstine family. Back row: Margaret, Leland, Eugene, Martha. Front row: Patricia, Viola, Ivan and Letitia

#### School and different colleges.

Margaret has taught school in Phillipsburg, Kansas and married Allen Finkbeiner, has a little daughter, Amiee Leigh, Ellsworth. Martha teaches in Norton, Kansas. Patricia is a supervisor at Travenol at Hays. Letitia is married to Merl Koehn and lives near Caldwell, Kansas and she works for a mechanic shop near Wellington. Eugene teaches in Sacred Heart High School, Salina, Kansas. He is married to Peggy Miles and they have a son, Adam. Leland is in Range Research for BLM in Southwest Idaho and lives in Boise.

We live on a part of the ranch that Ivan's grandparents homesteaded in the 1800s, just west of Ashland.

Submitted by Viola Hulstine

### LELAND AND ELLEN HULSTINE

Leland Hulstine, son of Edward and Elizabeth Hulstine, and Ellen Pike, third daughter of Nathan and Nancy Pike, were married December 3, 1919 in the Methodist Parsonage by Rev. E.C. Corrie. Both Leland and Ellen were educated in Clark County schools and they graduated from high school in 1916.

They were by heritage and desire a farm couple. Five children were raised in their home: Ivan, July 21, 1921; Phyllis, May 23, 1924; Curtis, March 26, 1928; Dean, April 22, 1929; and Gene, April 22, 1929.



Leland and Ella Hulstine

The Hulstines lived on the farms of Brennaham and Charley Pike, south of Ashland and V.A. Broadie in Lexington community. While living there Leland died April 14, 1946. Ellen and the family moved to the Hulstine homestead. After the boys married, Phyllis and her mother moved to Dodge City where Phyllis is a beautician.

Ellen passed away August 8, 1976 and she left all five children and twelve grandchildren.

Submitted by Phyllis Hulstine

# LELAND CURTIS HULSTINE FAMILY

Leland Curtis Hulstine was born in Ashland, Kansas on March

26, 1928, one of five children born to Leland and Lydia Ellen Pike Hulstine. He attended first grade at a country school then attended grades 2 through 12 in the Ashland schools, graduating in 1946. He was in farm and ranch work until entering the Army in February, 1951. He served in Korea and upon his discharge from the service in November, 1952, he went to work for the Boeing Company of Wichita, Kansas, where he has been employed for over 31 years. He married Margaret Ann McCormac on November 26, 1950.



Margaret, LeAnn Hulstine Lindeman, and Curtis Hulstine - 1981

Margaret Ann was born in Ashland, Kansas, September 13, 1931, one of three children born to Max E. and Thelma Stenger McCormac. She attended kindergarten through mid-eighth grade in the Dodge City, Kansas schools, returning to Ashland to finish her schooling, graduating in 1949. She worked in her parents' restaurants, during her high school years and at the telephone office while Curtis was in the Army. Curtis and Margaret have one daughter, LeAnn, born December 8, 1959 in Wichita, Kansas. LeAnn married Edward Lindeman January 23, 1981.

Curtis enjoys hunting, fishing, woodworking, and silversmithing. Margaret enjoys her home and family, reading, and all types of handiwork. They have both enjoyed traveling the past several years and look forward to doing a lot more of that.

Submitted by Curtis and Margaret Hulstine

# JOHN E. HUMPHREYS FAMILY

John Ephraim, son of Ephraim John and Carrie (Haslam) Humphreys was born in Sterling, Kansas, December 12, 1893, attended school in Sterling and graduated from Sterling College. He received his Master's Degree from Kansas University in 1936. He served with the American Expeditionary Forces in France during World War I, and all his history students, who passed, knew that the 35th Division was primarily responsible for the Allied victory. He began teaching in rural Reno and Rice counties in his early teens and following his marriage taught at Rock Island, Texas, Raymond, Spearville and Ashland, coming here in 1929 as Superintendent of Schools. He was honored with a community celebration, "J.E. Humphreys Day", at the time of his retirement in 1963. Needless to say, this celebration coincidental with the dedication of the new Ashland High school building, pleased him greatly.

Vinette Elizabeth, eldest child of William Mitchell and Martha Margaret (Tippin) Hutcheson, was born March 24, 1894, in Glen Elder, Kansas. She moved to Sterling with her parents, her father having purchased land in a college community so that his children could more easily acquire a college education. She attended Sterling College but graduated from Geneva College, Beaver Falls, Pennsylvania, when her parents decided that she and John should be separated. Their marriage began on August 20, 1919, following John's return from Europe and discharge from the army. Both John and Vinette were reared in the Reformed Presbyterian Church.



Standing: Frederick, J.P. Front: Donnie, J.E., Maxine, Vinette, Richard

To this union were born: Frederick Mitchell, 1922 (President Home Lumber Company, Ashland); John Pershing, 1923 (President Tamko Roofing Company, Joplin, Mo.); Olive Maxine, 1924 (employee of Fountain View Villa, Ashland); Richard Hutcheson, 1930 (Professor and Librarian, Delaware College of Law, Wilmington, Delaware); and Donald Haslam, 1932 (Attorney, Great Bend, Kansas). There are 17 grandchildren.

Vinette taught school in Texas following their marriage, then in Ashland from 1947-1963 (third grade). She was a member of Delta Kappa Gamma, P.E.O., D.A.R., Ashland Study Club, Athena Club, and was active at the state level in both YWCA and Presbyterian Women.

"Prof", as he was commonly known, loved teaching and substituted in many different subjects as the occasion demanded. His special love though was American History. He was an avid sports fan and both he and Mrs. Humphreys were loyal spectators and supporters of every school activity all their lives. His community involvements included Kiwanis, Chamber of Commerce, Masonic Lodge, American Legion; he was an elder and Sunday School teacher in the Presbyterian Church. Following retirement, he worked at the Broadie "Sale Barn" for a while. He thoroughly enjoyed this retirement activity as it gave him an opportunity to become better acquainted with the cattle industry, make new acquaintances, maintain contact with former students and it kept him out of the house.

<sup>\*</sup> John E. died on November 21, 1974; Vinette on November 19, 1980. They are buried in Highland Cemetery.

Submitted by F.M. Humphreys

#### JOHN AND DIANE HUMPHREYS

John and Diane Humphreys were married June 25, 1977 in Hutchinson, Kansas. They moved to Ashland in March of 1982 from Sterling, Kansas. The Humphreys have three children: Kate, age 6, Lucas, age 4, and Lesley, age 1. The children, who are sixth generation Clark Countians, are a "growing" joy to their parents.

Diane is the second of four children born to Sheldon and Ottavia Ludwick. She was born December 30, 1955 in Sterling. She graduated from Sterling High School in 1973 and attended Sterling College. Besides being busy as a homemaker, she finds time to enjoy bowling, local clubs, gardening, antiques, and several handcrafts including sewing, quilting and pottery.

John is the third of five children born to Frederick and Carrie Arnold Humphreys. He was born in Ashland, May 26, 1952 and graduated from AHS in 1970. He was active in all sports, student government, and was class valedictorian. Following in the family footsteps, he attended the University of Kansas and graduated in 1974. John started working for The Home Lumber & Supply 292



John, Diane, Kate, Lesley and Lucas Humphreys, 1983

Company in 1976 at Sterling. He is presently Sales Manager in the General Office at Ashland. He participates in several local civic clubs, the Centennial Steering Committee, and still enjoys sports. John and Diane are members of the Ashland Presbyterian Church.

The Humphreys are proud to call Ashland home and feel fortunate to raise their family here. The town remains friendly and progressive with the instilled spirit of our pioneers.

Submitted by John Humphreys

# J.P. HUMPHREYS AND FAMILY

J.P. Humphreys, son of John E. and Vinette E. (Hutcheson) Humphreys, was born in Raymond, Kansas on September 13, 1923. He attended Ashland public schools for 12 years, 1929-41. With the help of Joanna and Walter Ashcraft of Ashland he received an appointment to the Fingerprint Division of the FBI in Washington, D.C., beginning September, 1941. During 1941-42 he attended George Washington University. He served in World War II as a dive bomber pilot in the U.S. Marine Corps. Following the war he obtained a business degree from the University of Kansas, graduating in 1949. Thereafter, he spent 1949-56 with the National Cash Register Company as a salesman in Wichita, Kansas, Jefferson City and Joplin, Missouri. Following his marriage in December, 1955, he commenced his work with Tamko Ashphalt Products, Inc. in Joplin, Missouri in 1956. Tamko is a manufacturer of asphalt roofing products. Presently he is president of the company.

Ethelmae (Craig) Humphreys, only child of E.L. and Mary Ethel (Crist) Craig was born in Louisville, Kentucky in 1927. She attended schools in Wichita, Kansas and Kansas City, Missouri. She attended college at Monticello (St. Louis) and University of Kansas, graduating in 1948. Thereafter she worked for Tamko Ashphalt Products, Inc. (her family's business), beginning in accounting, becoming Vice-President-General Manager and eventually reaching her present position of Chairman of the Board.

To this union were born: David Craig (1956), lawyer in Jop-

Jay, Ethelmae, Sarah, John and David Humphreys, 1979



lin, Missouri; Sarah Jane (1958), Tamko-Research; John Patrick (1960), Tamko-Statistics Center.

Ethelmae and Jay have had a continuing interest in the study of the intellectual underpinnings of freedom, liberty, and the study of morality in human action. As a result of pursuing these interests, Ethelmae has become a member of the board of Cato Institute of Washington, D.C.; and Jay is a member of the boards of the Foundation for Economic Education, Institute for Humane Studies, Council for a Competitive Economy, Manhattan Institute, and the National Right to Work Legal Defense Foundation.

Our greetings to old friends--and as John E. Humphreys once remarked, "Ashland is the happiest place in the world."

Submitted by J.P. Humphreys

### OLIVE MAXINE HUMPHREYS

Olive Maxine was born to John Ephraim and Vinette (Hutcheson) Humphreys, December 14, 1924 in Spearville, Kansas. She moved to Ashland with her parents in 1929 where her father had accepted a position as Superintendent of Schools which he held until his retirement in 1963.

All of her grade and high school education was acquired in Ashland. Following high school graduation, she attended College of Emporia for three years.

In 1948, she accepted a position as a receptionist for Ivan R. Burket, M.D., who was an outstanding surgeon, holding that em-



Olive M. Humphreys

ployment until his death in 1977.

She is a member of the Presbyterian Church and served as Sunday School secretary-treasurer, sang in the church choir for many years. She is also a member of P.E.O., O.E.S. and the Business and Professional Women's Club. Several years ago, she was honored by being selected as Woman of the Year in the Business and Professional Women's Club.

Since 1979 she has been employed at Fountain View Villa. Submitted by Olive Maxine Humphreys

#### MIKE HUMPHREYS FAMILY

Frederick Mitchell (Mike), son of J.E. and Vinette (Hutcheson) Humphreys, was born in Sterling, Kansas, February 18, 1922, attended schools at Spearville and Ashland, College of Emporia and graduated from Kansas University with a BS in Business. He served in the U.S. Navy during World War II, as a PT boat skipper in the Southwest Pacific. On July 19, 1946, he and Carrie May Arnold were married at the Ashland Presbyterian Church. She is the daughter of Francis H. and Mary (Dakin) Arnold, born July 13, 1924, at Emporia, her home until 1943. She attended MacMurray College for Women and earned a BA in Zoology from Kansas University. Children are: Karen Mitchell (1948), Iras Margaret (1949), John Francis (1952), Thomas Arnold (1955) and Frederick Philip (1959). Dr. Jerry officiated for each!

Karen is a Deputy United States Attorney (Wichita). Iras,



Fred, John, Iras, Tom and Karen, 1970

married to Charles Warren Gray, is an early childhood educator in Wisconsin. Fred is employed by Holiday Inn, Topeka. (John and Tom wrote their own stories.) All five are KU graduates.

Mike is president of Home Lumber & Supply Co., having started with the firm in Greensburg in 1947. He is past president of Southwestern Lumbermen's Association, Ashland City Council and School Board; Moderator of High Plains Presbytery, Commissioner to General Assembly (Presbyterian Church), a Kiwanian, Mason, Legionnaire, SAE and serves on Boards of the Stockgrowers State Bank, Merchants National Bank (Topeka) and United Central Bancshares (Des Moines). He was Republican County Chairman for ten years. He was defeated in his bid for state legislator (1978).



Mike and Carrie Humphreys, 1982

Carrie is a member of KKG, P.E.O., Ashland Study Club. She "served time" as a Den Mother and Brownie leader, was Treasurer of Ashland's Hospital Board and chaired the Library Board during the new building construction. She has been a Sunflower Girls' State counselor and has served the Presbyterian Church as elder, president of High Plains and Southern Kansas Presbyterials, and on the National Executive Committee of United Presbyterian Women. She is now president of the National Association of Mature People and Chairperson of this Ashland History Book committee.

Both Carrie and Mike had misgivings about moving "home" in 1949. Thirty-five years later, they like being a part of the Ashland community!

Submitted by Carrie and Mike Humphreys

#### TOM AND DEBI HUMPHREYS

It was an unlikely beginning, but one that later generations would be sure to record. Born in London, England, in 1764, Elizabeth Starr was one of many young girls kidnapped and taken to Jamestown, Virginia. Settlers in Virginia willingly bought the English girls and made them their brides.

Much later and far away, a descendant was born in the displaced Londoner's lineage. It was March, 1955, in Ashland, Kan-

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sas. The parents, Frederick and Carrie Humphreys, named this their fourth child, Tom. The Humphreys-Arnold marriage witnessed the merger of two different backgrounds. Businessman Fred's parents were educators, and nurtured their children in the Reformed Presbyterian heritage. Carrie's family operated a Clark County ranch, following a successful banking venture in Emporia, Kansas. Later, grandfathers J.E. Humphreys and F.H. Arnold, helped grandson Tom and siblings weave the two traditions together. Following family dinners, the grandfathers fascinated their audiences by sharing respective accounts of early pioneer days. The five Humphreys children were molded by the influences of the rural Ashland community and the education/church emphasis of the family from birth to high school graduation.



Debi, Betsey and Tom Humphreys, 1983

Again in 1955, but in July, in Appleton, Wisconsin, Rev. Marshall and June Bowes gave birth to their third daughter, Debi. Most of Debi's childhood years were spent in Indiana where her father pastored. Marshall's father was an Illinois farmer, June's was a grocer in Milwaukee. Debi's parents did share a similar religious upbringing. They were reared in the Church of the Nazarene, a church based on the teaching of John Wesley and founded in 1908.

After both graduated from University of Kansas, Tom and Debi married in June, 1978, joining their respective traditions. But even before they met, each had experienced the heritage so familiar to the other. Debi discovered Kansas, completing high school at Dodge City High. Tom joined the Church of the Nazarene and later graduated from its seminary. Presently they live and pastor in Howell, Michigan.

On February 6, 1982, the Humphreys gave birth to a greatgreat-great-great-great-granddaughter of the family's earliest known relative. Their daughter is also a namesake of the latter: Elizabeth Starr Humphreys. Betsey will have a history all her own!

Submitted by Tom Humphreys

# JANNA McPHAIL AND MATT HUNNICUTT

Matt Lee Hunnicutt was born September 18, 1958 in Texas, son of Gene and Joanna Hunnicutt. He attended school in Oklahoma, Concordia and Rose Hill in Kansas. He graduated from Derby High School in 1977. He enrolled at Pittsburg State University in Pittsburg, Kansas for the fall term in 1977, graduating with a degree in building management in 1982. He went to work August 1, 1982 as an engineering apprentice for Pullman Power Products.

Janna Arlette McPhail was born October 21, 1961 at Ashland, Kansas, daughter of Marven and Ellen McPhail. She attended school in Ashland and graduated from Ashland High School in 1979. She was a cheerleader 6 years while in junior high and high school. She enrolled at Pittsburg State University in the fall 294



Matt and Janna

of 1979. She started as a drafting major but later transferred to the Vocational Technical Institute at the University and graduated in May, 1983 with a Certificate in Cabinet and Furniture Making.

Janna and Matt met while attending school at Pittsburg. They were married June 4, 1983 in Ashland. They lived in Valmy, Nevada for a few months and now live in Geneva, Ohio.

They both enjoy the outdoors. He enjoys hunting and since moving to Ohio they have enjoyed boating (catamaran) on Lake Erie and have been learning to ski.

Submitted by Mrs. Marven McPhail

#### JOE HUNTER FAMILY

Joe, born October 19, 1922, to Thurman and Tillie Hunter, was a graduate of Ashland High and attended Multnomah College, Portland, Oregon after spending four years in the Marine Corps.

Mildred, born December 22, 1918, is the daughter of Nora and Andy Degnan. She is a graduate of Ashland High, attended Sacred Heart College, Friends University and Hays State. She taught six years before she and Joe married June 12, 1947. They lived in Portland, Oregon and Idaho Falls, Idaho where Joe was a successful building contractor.

The Hunters have four children: Peggy, born July 22, 1948, attended Idaho State University and is a public health nurse. She is married to Michael Heinrich and they have two children, Kelli, age 13, and Christopher, age 10. They live in Pocotello, Idaho. Michael Thomas, born December 15, 1947, is a graduate of the University of Idaho and is now a vice-president of Transok, Tulsa, Oklahoma. Susan, born March 24, 1955, is a graduate of Drake University and is married to Gary Bender and teaches math and science in Albuquerque. James Patrick, born November 2, 1960, is a graduate of the University of Oklahoma and is employed with Boise Cascade in Oklahoma City.

Submitted by Mildred Hunter

### PATRICIA HURST

Patricia Hurst was born November 15, 1933 at the Ashland Hospital to Edward A. and Mable Flo Hensley.

Patricia graduated from the Ashland schools, trained for her profession in nursing at St. Francis School of Nursing, graduating May, 1954.

Daniel B. Honeyman and Patricia Hensley were married August, 1954. Three sons were born to them, Daniel, Michael, and Bradd. In May, 1960, Patricia and sons moved to Guymon, Okla-

Patricia (Hensley) Hurst, 1954



homa. Patricia served as Texas Co. Health nurse for five years. January 24, 1966, James M. Hurst and Patricia were married. They moved to Abbyville, Louisiana, then later to Ball, Louisiana, where she presently makes her home. June 22, 1983, Jim passed away. Patricia works at her profession currently as director of nursing.

The Honeyman boys are all married, living in Tulsa, Oklahoma. Patricia has one granddaughter, Lindsy Rae Honeyman. Submitted by Mable Flo Hensley

### IHDE FAMILY

Sherman Grant Ihde (1895-1968) was one of five children of Adolph William Ihde (? - 1940) and Augusta Lizabeth Ihde (1870-1966). A.W. Ihde was a Baptist preacher in Ashland at one time.

Sherman Grant Ihde (Sherm) married Villa Cora Harvey. They had one child, Sherman George (S.G.), born April 11, 1923.

"Sherm" Ihde operated the motion picture theatre in Ashland in the late 1920's and later was associated with Wallingford Elevator Co., Ashland Sales Pavilion (Livestock Auction). In later years, his activities were devoted to cattle and farming.

Villa Ihde (1900-1964) taught at the Steele School House, was employed in the offices of Dr. Ivan R. Burket, Attorney F.N. Cossman, Wallingford Elevator Co., was Ashland City Secretary for 10 years. Villa was a member of the D.A.R.



Sherm, Robert, S.G., Villa, Mrs. Harvey and Addie

Sherman George Ihde (S.G.) graduated from Ashland High School in 1941, attended Benjamin Franklin University in Washington, D.C. for one year and was an Army Air Corps pilot in World War II.

"S.G." Ihde married Addie Lousie Bennett October 22, 1945 and they have one child, Robert C. Ihde. "S.G." and Addie farmed in Clark County after World War II until 1951, at which time they moved to the Lower Rio Grande Valley of Texas and currently live in McAllen, Texas.

"S.G." has been associated with Tide Products, Inc., Edinburg, Texas since 1951. Addie operates a needlecraft shop in McAllen, Texas which she established in 1972.

Robert Ihde (Bob) currently resides in Austin, Texas and is Staff Services Officer of The Texas Bureau of Radiation Control. Submitted by Sherman G. Ihde

#### DOUGLAS AND DEBRA INDERLIED

Debra Arnspiger was born in Ashland, Kansas, September 25, 1951, the first child of Richard and Betty Arnspiger. After completing grade and high schools in Ashland, she enrolled at Washburn University. While a student there, she pledged Delta Gamma sorority, became active in Collegiate Young Republicans and

worked as a guide at the State Capitol. After her freshman year she married David Hankamer. After studying four years at Washburn, they moved to Ashland in 1973. Their son, Mark David, was born August 13, 1973. Their marriage ended in divorce in 1974.

Debbie has been active in the Presbyterian Church all her life, participating in choir, Sunday School, U.P.W., and P.E.O. She has worked in her parents' lumber business for nine years, currently a bookkeeper. Favorite interests and pastimes include reading, art, sketching, and music, especially playing the piano.

Douglas Inderlied was born in Harper County, Oklahoma, May 23, 1942, the second child of Walter and Helen Inderlied. After completing grade and high school at Buffalo, Oklahoma, he enrolled at Oklahoma State University, receiving his BS degree with a major in zoology and minor in chemistry and physics in 1965.



Mark, Debbie holding Scott, and Doug

Other studies were completed at Western New Mexico University, University of New Mexico and Northwestern Oklahoma State University. He received his Master of Education degree from North Western Oklahoma State University in 1971 with major field of emphasis in ecology and wildlife biology.

Doug came to Ashland in 1969 and began teaching in the science department of the junior and senior high schools. He received the Outstanding Teacher Award in 1978. Doug left the teaching profession in 1979 to become more actively involved in a farming operation and the Don Spotts Lumber Company.

Doug is a member of the Lutheran Church. His interests are reading, photography, aviation, camping and continuing studies in ecology and wildlife biology.

Doug and Debbie were married November 27, 1974. Two children were born: Heidi Marie, who was born January 13, 1980 and died soon after birth; and Scott Douglas, born July 22, 1981. Mark and Scott are sixth generation Ashland residents.

#### A.B. INGRAM FAMILY

A.B. Ingram was called as minister of the Ashland Christian Church in September, 1926. His family consisted of: wife, Loma, three daughters, Opal, Mildred and Fern, and one son, Richard. They moved to Ashland from Bucklin, Kansas. Opal graduated from Bucklin High School, attended Emporia State College, then taught school near Bucklin. She married Elmer Bell of Bucklin and they were parents of four children. They now reside in Carthage, Mo. and have been married 57 years.

Mildred graduated from A.H.S. in 1927 and was valedictorian of her class. She attended Emporia State College and taught school near Ashland before marrying Paul Randall in September, 1931. They were parents of two sons, Don and Keith. Mildred was a well-known artist and a member of the Cowbelle Trio of Ashland. She died March 25, 1962.

Fern graduated from A.H.S. in 1931 and in 1932 the family moved to Cherryvale, Kansas. Fern worked in an oil company discharge, Mike continued with pipeline construction, meeting Carol when he was on a job in Great Bend, Kansas.

Carol Redger, daughter of Albert A. and Grace Kumberg Redger, was born December 24, 1949. She grew up in Ashland, graduating from Ashland High School in 1967. After obtaining a B.S. degree from Fort Hays State University, Carol went on to become registered as a MT (ASCP).

Mike and Carol were married July 7, 1973 and moved to Vega, Texas. After several years of doing pipeline construction, Mike started his own hauling and hay business. Carol is a chemist in the laboratory at High Plains Baptist Hospital in Amarillo, Texas.

They have two daughters, Stephanie Michelle, born March 23, 1976 and Amanda Lynn, born January 27, 1980.

Submitted by Carol Jackson

#### WILL JACKSON FAMILY

Will and May Seacat Jackson lived for many years in Clark County. Will was the oldest son of Sig and Rilla Johnson Jackson. His mother died when he was quite young. He came from Sedgwick County, Kansas to Clark County around 1887 with his father, Sig, step-mother, Annie Wilson Jackson, a brother, Walter, and a sister, Lulu. Will and his father were well-known for their fiddle playing and entertained at many country dances.

May and her mother, Minerva Seacat, drove a horse and buggy from Winfield, Kansas to Clark County in 1898. She lived with her mother and two brothers, Forrest and Arthur, on a farm north of Sitka. May attended "Normal" School for a few weeks and became a teacher. She rode horseback to school and taught in several schools in the Sitka vicinity for about 20 years.



Will and May Jackson, 1940

Will and May were married December 25, 1913 in Dodge City. They were the parents of one child, Joy (Good). They spent most of their married life on a farm north of Sitka. Will was a county, and later, a state highway employee.

In the fall of 1959, the Jacksons found it necessary, for health reasons, to leave the family farm. They moved to Beaver, Oklahoma to make their home with their daughter and husband, Buck and Joy Good. Their remaining years were happy times for them as they enjoyed their home and their grandchildren, Kyle and Levell Good. Will died in 1963 and May in 1967. Both are buried in Highland Cemetery.

Submitted by Joy Good

#### ANNA LEE AND CHARLES O. JACOBS

Anna Lee Sumner and Charles O. Jacobs were united in marriage November 12, 1918. They had three children who were born on the farm near New Virginia, Iowa. The children are Virginia Wilson, Indianola, Iowa; Doreen Jacobs, Ashland; and Willis S. Jacobs, Golden, Colorado.

In 1938, due to Anna Lee having asthma in Iowa, the family,

with the exception of Virginia, moved to Ashland. Virginia remained in Iowa, being a senior in high school and living with her grandparents.



Standing: Doreen, Willis, Virginia. Seated: Charles and Anna Lee Jacobs

Anna Lee operated a nursing home from 1941 to 1962. Charles helped her with the work of the home. He also did house painting and sanded floors. Charles died June 20, 1954.

Virginia teaches a second grade class in Indianola, Iowa. Doreen is Ashland's City Clerk. Willis is a geophysist and seismologist for the U.S. Coast and Geodetic Survey, Golden, Colorado. Anna Lee loves Kansas as the climate cured her of asthma.

Submitted by Doreen Jacobs

# LEO JACOBS FAMILY

Leo Marcus Jacobs was born April 18, 1911 in east Trego County, Kansas, to Casper and Magdlena Urban Jacobs, in a family of thirteen. Leo attended the Ellis County schools and came to Clark County, Kansas in 1935. Leo has been a farmer all of his life, and a reporter for the A.S.C.S. for thirty years.

Beatrice Elizabeth was born December 28, 1915 in the farm home north of Englewood, Kansas, to Thomas Andrew and Nora Euphias Dunn Degnan. In August, 1919, the family moved south of Ashland in the Bear Creek Community where Bea attended the Sunnyvale School and St. Mary's Academy in Dodge City. Leo and Bea were married October 12, 1936 in St. Joseph's Church,



Leo and Bea Jacobs, Pat and Martha

Ashland. They have two children, Pat, married to Canell Lampe, and Martha, married to Donald Crane. Pat and Ganell have three children, Andy, Wade and Rose. Pat and family live west of Gate, Oklahoma. Martha and Duke have three children, Sarah, Shalah and Amy. They live in Ashland. Martha, a registered nurse, works in the Ashland Hospital. Leo and Bea raised their family on a farm west of Ashland. Bea was evening cook at the Ashland Hospital for nineteen years and is now assistant librarian in the Ashland Library. Leo and Bea have six grandchildren.

The Jacobs are active members of St. Josephs Church, Ash-

office until marrying Walter Bolden in May, 1934. They were parents of four children. Walter died December 24, 1980 after a car accident in July. Fern now resides in Bartlesville, Oklahoma.

Mr. and Mrs. A.B. Ingram Mothers, Day, 1972



The son, Richard, graduated from high school in Kinsley, Kansas in 1940. He served in the U.S.A.F. He received his masters degree from Pittsburg State College. He married Nita Davidson of Plainview, Texas and they were parents of two children. He died of cancer in the Veterans Hospital in Denver, Colorado, December, 1971.

After leaving Cherryvale, the family served churches in Monett, Mo.; Kinsley, Kansas; and Webb City, Mo., where Asa retired. Asa and Loma were married sixty-seven years before Asa died July 31, 1972. Loma is presently in a nursing home in Bartlesville where Fern visits her daily. She just celebrated her 99th birthday March 9, 1984.

Submitted by Fern Bolden

### GEORGE ISENBART FAMILY

Farming is the life and love of George and Mary Jane Isenbart. George, born January 28, 1946, in Ashland, is one of nine children of Lawrence and Faye Cornish Isenbart. He attended St. Joseph's Grade School in Ashland, then graduated from Englewood High School in 1964. He completed one year of college at Ft. Hays State University, then enlisted for two years in the Army, serving one year in Vietnam. Following his discharge in 1968, he continued farming with his father.

Mary Jane, born November 15, 1950, in Montezuma, Kansas, is one of five children of John E. Gibson and Hilda Jones Gibson, Trahern. She graduated from Ashland High School in 1968, then graduated from the Southwest Kansas Area Vo-Tech School in Dodge City in 1969.



The Isenbart boys in 1983. Jeff, Matt, Greg and Bryan

George and Mary Jane were married January 31, 1970 and have three children, Bryan, born October 5, 1970; Jeff, born November 3, 1973; Matthew, born January 19, 1979. Gregory, the youngest son, was born June 24, 1980 and died at home on July 12, 1983.

George and Mary Jane purchased a section of farm and grass land from Velma M. Blair in 1978, located northeast of Englewood, Kansas. They also farm the home place of George's parents, east of Englewood, where they make their home. The family enjoys working the farm together. They are members of 296 St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Ashland and are active in the Englewood and Ashland communities.

Submitted by Mary Jane Isenbart

#### LAWRENCE ISENBART FAMILY

Lawrence Isenbart was born January 31, 1907 at Alva, Oklahoma and came to Englewood in 1929. He leased a portion of the J.O. Folks land located east of Englewood, a part of the old Edwards Ranch, September 9, 1930.

He married Miss Faye Cornish of Alva, Oklahoma, who at that time was employed by Southwestern Bell Telephone Co. In April, 1933, Lawrence and Faye began working for Carl Hunt. Lawrence did farming and ranch work. Faye did the cooking for the hired hands. They continued their own farming while



Top row: Andrew, Eva Pearl, Larry. Middle: Stephen, Vincent, Warren. Bottom: Julie, Faye, Lawrence with Naomi, George.

working for Mr. Hunt. In 1938, they leased more of the Folks land. January, 1939, they left the Hunt Ranch and moved on the Folks land as there was housing. In 1943, the Isenbarts bought a part of the Folks land which they now own.

There were nine children born to the Isenbarts. Larry and Stephen, Dodge City; Andrew, Woodward, Oklahoma; Eva Pearl, Cimarron; Warren, Ashland; Vincent and George, Englewood; Julie of Silver Lake, Kansas; Naomi of Wichita. Lawrence passed away May 31, 1975. Faye now resides in Ashland.

Submitted by Faye Isenbart

### CAROL AND MICHAEL JACKSON

Mike Jackson was born April 1, 1948 in Rosebud, Texas, the first son of O.D. and Marie Jones Jackson. Since Mike's dad was mechanic for a pipeline construction company, the family did a lot of traveling. In 1950, they bought a farm south of Vega, Texas. Mike attended Vega High School and graduated in 1966. He went on to college at West Texas State University and San Angelo State, but in 1968 was drafted into the Army. After his

Carol (Redger) and Michael Jackson, Stephanie and Amanda, Vega, Texas.



land. Leo and Bea moved to Ashland in January of 1983 and live at 440 West 7th.

Submitted by Beatrice Jacobs

#### PAT JACOBS FAMILY

Patrick Joseph Jacobs was born to Leo and Beatrice Degnan Jacobs, July 22, 1937 southeast of Ashland. Pat attended St. Joseph's School, graduated from Ashland High School and attended college at Goodwell, Oklahoma. Pat married Ganell, daughter of Henry and Wilhemena Kuhl Lampe, June 9, 1959, in the Sacred Heart Cathedral, Dodge City. Ganell graduated from St. Mary of The Plains. The Jacobs have three children: Andy, Wade and Rose. The Jacobs family lived in the Ashland vicinity until 1970 when they moved to the Barby Ranch near Beaver, Oklahoma, later moving to Gate, Oklahoma. Pat is a musician, as well as a cutting horse trainer and rider, as is the whole family. Pat is an approved A.C.H.A. judge.



Top row: Ganell, Pat and Wade. Bottom row: Rose and Andy Ganell is in the Cutting Horse Hall of Fame. The Jacobs children have all won saddles in high school cuttings, with Rose winning the National Finals High School Cutting in Douglas, Wyoming in 1980. The Jacobs family have been featured in the *Quest Magazine* and also in a book, *Outside Chance*, by Tom McGuane.

Pat and family have trained and shown several champions, the most noted being Chinks Benjibaby and Niki Nak. Their son, Andy, lives in Longmont, Colorado, and trains and shows cutting horses, Wade and Rose live at home and help Pat train and show horses.

Submitted by Bea Jacobs

### WILLIS S. JACOBS

Willis lives in Golden, Colorado with his wife Jan and family. He has three children, Jon, Jack and Michele. For the past 26 years he has been employed as a geophysicist for the U.S. Geological Survey. Presently he works locating and reporting earthquake activity for the National Earthquake Information Service.

Willis began attending Ashland public schools in the second grade when his family moved to Kansas from Clio, Iowa. He graduated from Ashland High School with the class of 1949 and attended Simpson College in Indianola, Iowa, before enlisting in the Navy during the Korean War. He spent most of his four Navy years in Japan and the Far East where he worked as a communications electrician. Willis graduated from Kansas State University in 1958 and joined the USGS. He spent the next year in Antarctica where in 1959 he wintered over at the geographical south pole. With some time in between at Fredericksburg, Virginia and Washington, D.C., he spent three and a half years at 298



Willis, Anna Lee Jacobs, Jan, June 4, 1983

Point Barrow, Alaska followed by 17 years on the island of Guam where he was in charge of the geophysical observatory.

As a youngster in Ashland, Willis worked at the Ritz Theatre under owners Mark Baker and then Art Ganson from the time he was in the sixth grade until graduation. He worked two summers for the Clark County Road and Bridge Department for then county engineer Clay Hildebrand and foreman Harry McPhail. Submitted by Willis Jacobs

#### BILL JACQUES FAMILY

Mr. and Mrs. William A. Jacques have lived in Englewood since 1960. Bill was raised in the Montezuma-Ensign area and graduated from high school in Dodge City, Kansas. His grandparents were pioneer settlers and his childhood was spent in a home across the road from his grandparents' homestead claim. He attended Kansas State University and later Tulane University in New Orleans, Louisiana.

While at Tulane, he met Althea Ancalade, a native of New Orleans, whose father was a commercial fisherman and long-shoreman. They married in 1956, living in Hutchinson, Kansas for two years. They moved to Englewood, Kansas in 1960,



Bill, Cherie Renee, Althea and Tony in front, May, 1980

where they organized a petroleum distributing business in partnership with the Robert Hardens which they operated until 1976. They also owned a grocery store in Englewood from 1966 until 1968.

They have had three children: Cherie Renee, born in 1962; Keven David, who died at birth; and Tony, born in 1966. Cherie is attending college at Fort Hays State University and is hoping to get admitted to physical therapy training program after graduation. Tony is a junior at Ashland High School. Althea has been working at Minneola Hospital as a L.P.N. since 1980 and Bill has been the Noxious Weed Director of Clark County since 1979.

Submitted by Bill Jacques

#### **EVA JACQUES**

Eva Jacques graduated from Emporia State College in 1923 with a BS Degree in Commerce, and started her teaching career in Englewood, Kansas. She taught commerce, normal training subjects and was the girls basketball coach. J.A. Weede was the superintendent. The high school did not have a gym, so the old Opera House above Roberts Grocery Store was used. They exchanged games with Ashland, Fowler, Meade, Protection, and some teams in Oklahoma. The first tournament they attended was at Kinsley, Kansas and Eva was given \$100 for all the expenses, room and board for the team. There were about seventy high school students at the time.

The girls that played on the team were Erma Slavick, Muriel Small, Opal Hemme, Artie LaMunyon, May Staley, Fern Vincent, Virginia Lee, Ruth Giddengs, Verna Taft, Wanda Goodnight, Faye Vincent, Bessie Bernard, Leona Thompson, Audrey McMahon, Lucy Taft, Lula Roberts, Lola Drake, Cleta Brooks. Wanda Goodnight and Virginia Lee later played on professional teams. The second year they entered the Tri State Basketball Tournament at Liberal and won first place. It was the first trophy that Englewood had ever won. Liberal was the opposing team. Eva taught in Englewood four years then moved to Hugoton. She received her Masters Degree from Denver University School of Commerce and taught in Southwestern College at Winfield, Kansas. She taught 28 years at Wellington High School. She retired in 1962 to Cimarron, Kansas.

Submitted by Eva Jacques

#### WALLACE JANTZEN FAMILY

Wallace Jantzen, son of Allen and Viola Jantzen, was born September 6, 1932. He attended school in Protection and then began working in Ashland. In 1950, he married Marietta Herman. They lived in Ashland and he worked for the City of Ashland and later for Grimes Homegas. In March, 1956, he moved to Protection where he started a propane branch plant for Grimes Homegas. He was in the position of branch manager until December, 1973. At that time he started his own business and Marietta takes care of the office work.

Marietta Herman was born March 26, 1932, in Ashland, daughter of the late John and Mary Herman. She attended the Ashland schools and graduated in 1950.

The Jantzen children are Betty, Robert and Mary Ellen. Betty was born July 23, 1951. She attended the Protection schools,



The Jantzen family in January, 1984. Wallace, Robert, Marietta, Mary Ellen and Betty

and when she graduated went four years to Wichita State University. She then attended the St. Joseph School of Medical Technology and became a registered medical technologist. She now works at St. Francis Medical Center in Wichita.

Robert was born August 29, 1952 and attended the Protection schools. When he graduated, he took two years at the Liberal Vo-Tech School. He is working for Cities Service Co. in Guymon, Oklahoma now.

Mary Ellen was born December 15, 1955 and attended the Protection schools. When she graduated, she attended the Adela Hale School of Business. She is now in her junior year at Wichita State University. Her goal is to become a registered nurse.

Submitted by Marietta Jantzen

## GARLON JARNAGIN FAMILY

Both Garlon and Ramona Jarnagin are educators by profession with 1983-84 being the first year for Garlon as principal of Ashland High School.

Garlon Leroy Jarnagin was born March 9, 1934, in Dalhart, Texas, one of a large family of Ivan and Alba Barker Jarnagin. He attended grades 1-12 in the Seiling, Oklahoma, schools, graduating in 1952, whereupon he enrolled in Friends University in Wichita on a football scholarship. During his college years he enlisted in the army and was stationed in Okinawa. Upon his discharge from the service he returned to Friends and received his degree in 1959. As a high school teacher, football coach and activities director Garlon has been employed in Kansas and Colorado schools for more than 20 years.

Ramona Joyce Baker, daughter of Ralph and Ruth Zimmerman Baker, was born October 27, 1936, in Ashland. She grew up in Protection, attending school there with her favorite hobbies of reading and horseback riding, and graduating in the



The Jarnagin family in 1979. Garlon, Ramona, Rex and Kent.

Class of 1954. She majored in elementary education and home economics at Friends University, where she met Garlon. They were married August 21, 1959, after graduating in the same class. Ramona's favorite teaching areas are seventh and eighth grade English and history.

The Jarnagins' children are Kent and Rex. Kent was born August 7, 1960, attending college two years, returned to the old homeplace in Protection, and went into farming there with his grandparents.

Rex, born November 21, 1969, is an eighth grader and likes football and hunting.

Daughter Robyn was born September 12, 1962, and died of leukemia at the age of 6.

The family is active in the community where they attend the United Methodist Church. Garlon is a Kiwanian and an enthusiastic golfer, hunter and fisherman. Ramona works part-time in Mada Walker's Dress Shop and is a substitute teacher.

Submitted by Ramona Jarnagin

#### GARY AND TERESA JELLISON

I was born September 20, 1959 in Altus, Oklahoma to Robert Allen Gillespie and Ella Kay Godfrey. At that time my father was in the Air Force and when he was sent to Italy my mother and I moved to Ashland.

We went to live with my grandparents, Jake and Edna Gillespie, until Robert, Jr. was born and we could join my father. It must have been during this time that my love for Ashland began to foster. We traveled many places as I grew up but we always came back to Ashland to visit. I remember asking Dad, "How many more miles until we get there?" over and over. When my father died in 1972, my mother moved her five children back to Ashland, where we all felt at home. In school I was involved in about everything from speech to sports and enjoyed business, so when I graduated I moved to Dodge City and worked at Cimar-

ron for an insurance company.

Troy, David and Shane Jellison



On October 2, 1976, I gave birth to a beautiful boy, Troy Ryan, and a year later we met Gary Wayne Jellison from Protection. Gary is the son of Tommy and Vicky Jellison of Protection and was born February 13, 1955 at Coldwater. Gary grew up with his brother and sister on a farm 7 miles east of Protection. After graduating from high school, he attended Hutchison Juco and KSU before returning to Protection to farm with his father.

Gary and I were married February 13, 1979. Troy and I took to farming like it was in our blood. On September 26, 1979 another handsome boy was born, David Wayne. It was then that we bought our present home in Protection. It was on July 26, 1983 that our third son, Shane Christopher, was born. We enjoy visiting Ashland often.

Submitted by Teresa Jellison

### HOWARD AND RUTH ANN JELLISON

July 24, 1943 was the start of life for Ruth Ann Betschart Jellison. I was born in the old Ashland Hospital on the last day Dr. Closson was in practice there.

I was the second child of Forrest and Irene Betschart. My oldest brother is Frantz Severian. I have two younger brothers, Thomas Byron and Kenneth Leo. I lived on the farm by Acres and attended Ashland schools 12 years. After graduation, I attended school in Great Bend, then worked in Robert's Grocery. Then, in the fall of 1964, I went to DCCC School of Cosmetology. I worked at Mary's Beauty Shop after graduation.

Howard Ross Jellison and I were married October 30, 1965. He is the son of Virgil and Leda Jellison of Protection. He had 5 sisters and 4 brothers. Howard attended Protection Schools for 12 years and worked at Myers Wire factory and Protection Co-Op.

On January 15, 1967, our first child, Rebecca Ann, was born. Back row: Ruth Ann, Howard and John. Middle: Diana and Becky. Front: Lori, 1983



On April 23, 1968, our second child, Diana Lynn, was born. Jonathon Ross, our only son, was born January 22, 1970. Lori Carol completed our family on March 18, 1973.

We bought our farm in 1973 from Howard's grandad Jellison's estate and have lived here since that time. I am currently employed at Protection Valley Manor as a Social Service Designee and Becky and Diana are certified nurses' aides working at the home.

We are members of St. Joseph's Catholic Church of Ashland, and are involved with our children in Protection School and 4-H club work.

Submitted by Ruth Ann Jellison

### LOREN M. JOHNSON FAMILY

Loren Johnson's family moved from Independence, Kansas, to Ashland in 1884 when he was six years old. His father died the next year and his mother supported the family by operating a boarding house. After finishing Ashland High, Loren taught school and married "Maggie" Yelton of Yelton, Oklahoma, when he was 24. Loren went to work for the Home Lumber & Supply Company when he was 26, became its Ashland manager and stayed with the company for 42 years.

Loren and Maggie had nine children, two of which were twins that died at birth. Emily Carol Johnson married Meredith Stevens of Ashland. Their three children, Patricia, William and Mary Jane, were all born in Ashland. The Stevens later moved to Bakersfield, California, where they now live. Loren Elmo "Sprig"



Loren M. Johnson sons, taken in 1940. Loren Elmo "Sprig", Albert Theodore "Ted", Alvis Wendell and Neal Warren Johnson.

Johnson married Jane Gearhart of Englewood. The first three of their children, James, Loren and Robert, were born in Ashland before they moved to Colorado. Albert Theodore "Ted" Johnson married Helen Mayse and their three children, Ronald, Kenneth and Jodine, were born in Ashland. Helen and Ted now live in Topeka. Lindley Milton Johnson died at age 23. Alvis Wendall married Alda Phelps and they live in Albuquerque. Neal Warren Johnson was killed during World War II at age 21. Margaret Ann Johnson married William McNamee and they live in California.

Loren died at age 68 in 1946. On the day he died, he voted as a member of the Christian Church Board for the creation of the Christian Youth Camp. Maggie died in 1973 at age 91. Submitted by Kenneth N. Johnson

### CARL JOHNSTON FAMILY

Carl James Johnston was born February 5, 1901 at Columbus, Kansas, the youngest of seven children of the J.O. Johnstons. The family moved to Granada, Texas in 1906 and then to Clark County in 1909. Carl attended schools in Ashland. He married Fern L. Baker April 23, 1922, at the Baker homestead. They farmed the Johnston home place and surrounding land until they retired. Carl and Fern have one son, Warren, born January 25, 1924, who married Jeanne Dale of Coldwater (divorced in 1962); one granddaughter, Karen, born November 7, 1944, now residing in Tampa, Florida; two great-grandchildren, Christopher, born August 19, 1963, and Arcangela, born September 7, 1971; and three great-great-grandchildren. A grandson, Kent, born September 7, 1942, died in an automobile accident in 1963.



Carl and Fern Johnston Golden Wedding Anniversary, 1972

Warren took over the farming when Carl retired in 1970. On September 22, 1972, he married Edna Gillespie. Carl's hobbies have been fishing and camping. Fern's hobbies are writing poetry and playing bridge. Carl and Fern have been lifelong members of Ashland Baptist Church. Carl is the only member left that helped with the church basement. Carl and Fern celebrated their Golden Wedding Anniversary, March 22, 1972, at their home. It was hosted by their son, Warren, granddaughter, Karen, and the Circle of Friends Club. In 1982, they celebrated their 60th Wedding Anniversary.

Submitted by Fern Johnston

# FREDERICK E. JOHNSTON III FAMILY

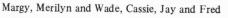
Frederick E. Johnston, III, married Merilyn Cassandra Berryman on May 24, 1970 in Arlington, Virginia.

Fred was born February 18, 1938, in Emporia, Virginia. He graduated in 1960 from Virginia Polytechnic Institute and was commissioned as a 2nd Lieutenant in the U.S. Army. He served until 1969 and was then employed by the Bureau of the Census.

Born May 11, 1943, in Ashland, Kansas, Merilyn attended Lindenwood College and graduated from Kansas University. She worked in Phoenix and Kansas City before accepting a position in the Washington office of Senator Bob Dole.

In November, 1972, Merilyn, Fred and Cassandra Lynn moved to Hutchinson where Fred was employed by Home Lumber and Supply Company in Nickerson. In 1974, they moved to Ashland where Fred became Manager of Sales and Advertising for Home Lumber. They were members of St. Joseph's Church and the VFW. Fred was a member of Kiwanis while Merilyn was active in P.E.O.

Deciding on a career change in 1977, Fred returned to active duty as a Lt. Colonel in the Army Reserve. With their daughters, Cassie and Margaret Louise, the Johnstons returned to Virginia.





Fred served on the Army Staff, attended the Industrial College of the Armed Forces, and spent three years on the staff of the Assistant Secretary of the Army for Manpower and Reserve Affairs. Fred was promoted to Colonel in January, 1984, and was assigned to Fort McPherson, Georgia.

The family increased while in Virginia and now includes Cassie, 11, Margy, 9, Jerome Frederick (Jay), 5, and Wade Berryman, 18 months. The Johnstons reside in Dunwoody, Georgia. Submitted by Merilyn Johnston

# JAMES OSCAR AND MARY ELLEN (MEDLEY) JOHNSTON

Oscar, son of John A. and Nancy M. (Link) Johnston of Virginia, was born March 18, 1860, in Monroe County, Missouri. He grew to manhood there working the family farm with his father and brothers.

Mary Ellen (Mollie), third in a family of fourteen children, was born December 19, 1862, in the adjoining county of Shelby, Missouri. Her parents were Ashford D. and Mary Jane (Heathman) Medley, who moved from Missouri in the 1880 s to settle in Indian Territory, now Oklahoma. They had many dangerous encounters during the Civil War, lost some of their children by death and endured hardships.

On April 6, 1882, Oscar Johnston and Mollie Medley, accompanied by her older brother, John, travelled twenty miles by horse and buggy to Shelbyville, Missouri, and were married. Their home was in Shelby County, Missouri for three years where their first child was born. They moved to Columbus, Kansas, engaging in farming and mining for twenty-one years, and Mollie gave birth to six more children. In early 1906, the family moved to Ganado, Texas, where they farmed rice for three years. On New Years Day, 1909, the Johnstons arrived in Clark County,



Oscar and Mary Ellen (Mollie) Johnston, 1920

Kansas. At the age of fifty, Oscar bought land and acquired 800 acres in fifteen years.

Oscar soon became one of the solid and substantial citizens of Clark County. He was sincere, tolerant, broad-minded, yet adament about what was right, fair and honest. He loved having his family gather for song fests and holiday dinners, where he played the violin and the harmonica.

Oscar and Mollie applied their religion to their daily lives, and were instrumental in organizing the First Baptist Church, Ashland. Although Oscar did not live to see the completion of the new Baptist Church built in the mid-fifties, the Baptistry mural was presented in his memory by Mollie, his widow, and the Communion Table by their grandchildren. Oscar died in 1939 and was laid to rest on the day of his 79th birthday.

In 1943, Mollie suffered injuries in a fall which confined her to a wheelchair the rest of her life. She was an inspiration to all the community for her optimism, her interests in others and her unselfish and unimposing manner. She died on January 10, 1958, only twenty-two days after observing her 96th birthday with her family. Their children were: daughters Alta, Louella, Carrie, Gertrude, and sons Arthur, Fred and Carl. Gertrude and Fred were twins.

Submitted by Marjorie York

### WARREN AND EDNA JOHNSTON

James Warren and Edna May Gillespie were married September 22, 1972 by Rev. Don Walker at Neodesha, Kansas. They honey-mooned at the Grand Lake, Grove, Oklahoma.

Warren Johnston was born January 25, 1924 in Ashland, Kansas, the only child of James Carl and Loretta Fern Baker Johnston. He grew up on a farm three miles east of Ashland where they farmed, raised cattle and sheep. Warren enjoys the outdoors.

Warren married Jean Ellen Dale, Coldwater, Kansas, and soon after the war broke out, he volunteered his service in the United States Navy, 1942 to 1946, going to the Great Lakes, Michigan. His unit was sent to the Asiatic Pacific, serving on four different battleships, the California, Tennessee, Idaho and New Mexico, and one heavy cruiser, the Louisville. Warren was one of thirteen flagmen under Admiral Oldendorf, receiving the Purple Heart and many other awards.

Warren and Jean had two children, James Kent, born September 7, 1942, and Karen Jean, born November 7, 1944. Kent was killed in an auto accident in 1963. Karen has two children, Chris and Angela.

Edna and Warren Johnston



I, Edna May Gillespie was born July 28, 1917 at Rosston, Oklahoma, daughter of Lewis and Jennie Miller. I had three brothers and two sisters. I started to school at Chico, California and graduated from Rosston High School, Rosston, Oklahoma in 1935.

I married George Gillespie, May 4, 1935. To this union were born three children, Robert, Jeanie and Billie Lou. We worked for Laurence Drake and I drove the school bus from Ditch Valley to Englewood. We moved to Englewood where I operated the Englewood Cafe. We moved to Ashland in 1947 when I started interior and exterior decorating, retiring in 1977. I was president of Business Professional Women's Club, serving on the state board for two years. I helped reorganize the Girl Scouts and organize the Cub Scouts and was a 4-H leader for four years.

Warren and I worked together as decorators and are still engaged in farming in the Ashland and Richfield areas. We spend our winter months in south Texas area.

Submitted by Edna Johnston

# DR. W.H. AND GUSSIE G. JONES

The Jones family were residents of Ashland for approximately 45 years. Dr. W.H. Jones was a physician in Ashland from 1918 until his death on October 10, 1940. He was a typical country doctor, first practicing medicine in the Willard, Oklahoma area with a horse and buggy before moving to Ashland.

Many similar incidents to these examples which occurred in 302

the depression days describe his true nature. One day a patient, on leaving the doctor's office said he did not have the money to pay to get the prescription filled. Dr. Jones said, "Go to the drugstore and they will fill it." Dr. Jones, after the patient left, called the drugstore and had it put on his bill.



Dr. W.H. Jones, picture taken in front of the Ashland Hospital during the '30's.

Another time, during the depression, Dr. Jones was called during wheat harvest to attend a patient who had fallen into a threshing machine. He was very severely cut by the knives in the machine. Dr. Jones took off his shirt, due to the summer heat, and worked for several hours sewing up the patient with 168 stitches. Dr. Jones was asked about it when he finished. Knowing the patient was dying when he arrived, Dr. Jones said, "It makes the family feel better."



Charles and Mrs. Jones, 1945

Mrs. W.H. (Gussie G.) Jones in the early 1920's was a member of the first library board. Mrs. Jones took the position of librarian, on a temporary basis, until they could find a permanent librarian. Mrs. Jones served for 30 some years as a temporary librarian. She died on December 8, 1962.



Charles and Bill standing. Dr. Jones and Everett seated. 1930.

The Jones family had three sons, Charles, Bill and Everett; all of whom graduated from Ashland High School. Charles graduated from Kansas University and the AAF Pilot Training School March Field, Riverside, California in the 1920's. He was killed in a private plane crash near Los Angeles on August 5, 1966. Bill lived in Eugene, Oregon, until his sudden death, due to a hemorrhage of his aorta artery, February 7, 1969. Everett is a petro-

## leum geologist in Los Angeles. Submitted by Everett Jones

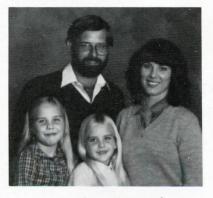
## VICKIE THOMPSON JONES

I moved to Ashland in September, 1967 v in my mother and step-father, Retta and Marion Stebens. Starting the 6th grade at Ashland Elementary, I continued through the Ashland schools until I graduated in 1974. I then moved to Liberal to attend Seward County Community College, and have lived there since.

My husband, Wayne Jones, is self-employed in the construction business. He has lived in the Liberal area all of his life, attending the Liberal schools and graduating in 1971.

We have two daughters, Misti and Mandi, who were born July 19, 1975 and July 28, 1977. They are in the 3rd and 1st grades and attend Garfield Elementary School in Liberal.

Wayne, Vickie, Misti and Mandi, 1983



We are all very active in the recreational activities in the community and attend St. Paul United Methodist Church. Besides participating in various sports, I also coach my daughters in the Kids' Incorporated program.

Other than myself and my brother, Randy Thompson, who also lives in Liberal with his family, our family still lives in Ashland. Our parents, Mr. and Mrs. Marion Stebens, brothers Larry and Stacey, sister Melody and her sons Jesse and Joshua.

Submitted by Vickie Thompson Jones

### DOUGLAS KAYE FAMILY

Doug, Cessna and Warren Kaye are currently living in Brooklyn, New York.

Cessna, daughter of Philip and Virginia Glen, and sister of Scott Glen, was born in Ashland on July 19, 1943. She attended the Ashland public schools from third grade through high school, then majored in drama at Mills College in Oakland, California, where she graduated in 1965. She received a master's degree in drama from the University of California in 1970, meeting Doug in the process. They were married on February 14, 1971.

Douglas Kaye, born in San Francisco on March 23, 1949, is the eldest of three children of Nancy and Richard Kaye. Doug majored in drama at Berkeley and moved with Cessna after gradu-

The Kayes in 1982. Cessna, Doug and Warren



ation to New York City to pursue a career in filmmaking. However, a side interest in computer programming grew rapidly, and he is now president of his own computers software firm, Rational Data Systems, in New York.

Warren Kaye was born on May 28, 1976, ten weeks early and a strapping three pounds! Now a third grader in Brooklyn, he loves soccer, running and "computers, of course."

Cessna, originally interested in acting, now works part time as a neonatal and pediatric nurse at Long Island College Hospital in Brooklyn, having graduated from nursing school in 1982. She is also active in local organizations.

The Kayes are all warm weather enthusiasts. Doug is an accomplished scuba diver and underwater photographer; Warren enjoys swimming, and Cessna is happy just lying in the sun.

Submitted by Cessna Kaye

#### DALE KEASLING FAMILY

Dale Keasling and Irene Barnes met at Lewis, Kansas. They were married in Florence, Colorado, September 20, 1925. They moved to Lewis, where Dale farmed and Irene taught grade school.

In 1930, they moved to Clark County where they had a larger farm. Four children were born to this union. Joyce (Mrs. Richard Theander) is the mother of four children. Twins, Donna (Mrs. Dean Graff) is the mother of four; Donald of Hutchinson is the father of five; and James of Fayetteville, North Carolina, is the father of three.

The three older children were born in Protection, Jim was born in Garden City, Kansas.

My folks weathered the dust years, by hard work and frugal living, but gave up farming. The war years were spent in Florence, Colorado. We moved to Clark County in 1945.



Jim Keasling, Joyce Theander, Mom, Donald and Donna in 1976.

Dale's heath broke and Mom returned to teaching in Clark, Seward, and Comanche Counties.

Happy, busy years they were as Mom continued to work for a B.S. in education. Correspondence, extension classes, summer school, night classes. At last in 1960, a degree. We were a happy family that July night.

Before Daddy died in 1973, Mom was hired by the Kansas Association for Retarded Children. Bruce Miner and Mom helped in organizing local units promoting the Special Education Program. We covered twelve counties, one of Mom's most rewarding experiences in the field of education.

Mother of four, grandmother of sixteen and great grandmother of ten grandchildren, Mom now resides at the Fountain View Villa in Ashland.

Submitted by Joyce Theander

#### MARGARET BROADIE KELLER FAMILY

Hallie Martha and Elmer Broadie's second child, Margaret, was born August 11, 1916 on the home place in Ashland. Attending the Sitka School through grade 7, she then went to the Ashland School to become a member of the 1934 high school graduating class.

She attended both Hays University and Southwestern College, where she was awarded her B.A. degree in 1938. She then proceeded to teach two years in the Hazelton Schools.

On August 4, 1940, she wed H. Bertram Keller of Valley Stream, N.Y. and returned east with him. To this couple, Richard Dennis and Kathleen were born. Richard received his B.A. degree from Purdue University and continued to study at Ball State University, finally achieving his doctorate from the University of Northern Illinois. His love for the Midwest per-



Back: Dick, Karen, Bert, Russell. Front: Kathy, Margaret, Matthew - 1982.

sisted and he returned to his adopted state of Kansas to become an associate professor at Emporia State University. He resides in Emporia with his family at present.

Kathleen attended Southwestern College where she received her B.A. She taught in the secondary school system in Kansas for nine years, during which time she earned her Master's Degree at the University of Kansas. After her interval of teaching, she returned to New York City, where she is now employed in a publishing company and is at present residing in New York.

The Kellers are no strangers to Ashland, for they adopted Ashland as their second home town. Rarely does a year pass without their return to Margaret's true home town, for the ties they have with both family and friends are coveted possessions of this clan.

Submitted by Margaret Keller

### CHARLENE (ROHRER) AND BILL KENDRICK

Charlene (Rohrer) Kendrick is the daughter of Charles and Esther Rohrer and the granddaughter of John and Elsie May Severe. She was born in Ashland September 9, 1934, with Ivan Burket as the attending physician. All of the Rohrer children started out their lives in this manner.

Charlene, after graduating from Oklahoma University with a Bachelor Degree in Business, married William D. Kendrick from Antlers, Oklahoma. He, too, graduated from O.U. with a degree in business. To this union were born five healthy children and one daughter, La Rue, who died in infancy and is buried in the Highland Cemetery in Ashland.

Kimberlyn, born September 28, 1959 in Bermuda B.W.I. while we were in the U.S. Navy; Susan Rene', born February 6, 1962, in Mooreland, Oklahoma, while serving aboard a heavy cruiser; Roma Lynn, born April 29, 1963 in Brenham, Texas; LaRue, born December 29, 1960; William David 2nd, born January 15, 1969 and Karrie, born August 25, 1971 in Muskogee, Oklahoma. The Kendrick family has lived in several places including Bermuda British West Indies, Brenham and Victoria, Texas, Garden Grove, California, Muskogee, Oklahoma, Douglasville, Georgia and now reside in Pryor, Oklahoma. Bill is Sales Manager for Agri-Flavors, Inc., home based in Guntersville, Alabama. Charlene is the principal broker of her own real estate office in Pryor.



The Kendrick family

Kim is a graduate of West Georgia College and now on the news team at KRAV-FM Radio in Tulsa. Rene' married Scott Bradly Hambleton, June 6, 1983 and they reside in Stillwater. Roma is in Tulsa, also. David and Karrie are busy in junior high school.

Submitted by Charlene R. Kendrick

#### RUBY (MULL DORSEY) KERSEY

I was born February 20, 1900, in Ashland, daughter of pioneer parents, Henry and Jennie (Werner) Mull. I grew up on the Mull ranch in Vesta Township, attended country grade school and graduated from Ashland High School in 1918, which was the first class graduating from the then new high school building.

In 1920, I was married to John (Jack) Dorsey, son of Anderson and Effie Dorsey, of the Bluff Creek neighborhood. We farmed near Sitka for three years and then moved to a farm owned by my father, where our three children, Gene, Wayne and Margie, were born.

In 1929, my husband, Jack, was killed in a farm accident. I moved to Ashland in a few years so the children would have better access to school. They also graduated from high school there.



Mr. and Mrs. H.A. Kersey, 1982

I worked as Deputy County Clerk for several years under my brother-in-law, Sidney Dorsey. During the second World War, I was Chief Clerk in the Office of Price Administration in Ashland and near the end of the war when the offices were combined, I went to the Dodge City office as Chief Clerk and worked until OPA was phased out.

In 1948, I moved to Lakin, Kansas, where I met and married

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Horace Kersey, industrial arts teacher in the high school.

I worked in Lakin for twenty years as bookkeeper for the Farmers Cooperative, retiring in 1965. My husband retired in 1962, having taught for 38 years in the Kansas schools. In 1979, he was inducted into the Kansas Teachers Hall of Fame.

After our retirement, we did extensive traveling and in 1982 we reached our goal of having been in all forty-eight of the adjoining states, also Canada and Mexico.

In 1979, we sold our home in Lakin and bought a home in Liberal, to be near members of our family who live in and near Liberal.

Submitted by Ruby Kersey

# LEONARD DWIGHT KIBBY

L.D. Kibby spent his boyhood in Iowa and came west because of a family dispute and never returned, arriving in Dodge City in 1884 without a cent.

He worked as a freighter from Dodge City to Camp Supply, Oklahoma, Mobeetie and Ft. Elliott, Texas and sometimes to Kansas City and Abiline over the Chisolm Trail.

At Camp Supply he worked as a mess cook. His greatest pleasure was dancing and playing his violin and bass fiddle. He owned a Guarnerius violin dated 1721, still in the family. It was bequeathed to his son L.D., Jr. and after his death to my sister Ernestine.

In 1893, he homesteaded land in Woodward County, Oklahoma and filed April 15, 1895 nine miles south of Buffalo. His place was known as "Kibby Camp" where travelers often camped. My father told me the town of Kibby was named for him. He eventually developed a ranch of six sections.

L.D. and Maude Kibby Wedding picture, 1919



In 1900, L.D. bought a ranch in Clark County, located 10 miles west of Ashland and 10 miles north of Englewood, living there until his death in May, 1943. The land is still owned by the family.

A large barn was built on the farm where everyone came far and near to dance. Many charivaris were held there. A tornado damaged the barn in the '30's and it was rebuilt smaller. My Dad told me 80 couples could dance on the large hardwood floor at one time. L.D. was the son of George and Mary Barnhardt Kibby. My grandfather came to the United States from England at age 7. Mary Barnhardt was of German parents in New York. December 31, 1919, he married Maude Johnston of Springfield, Missouri, the daughter of George and Martha Vandergriff Johnston. To this union three children were born: Mary, Ernestine and L.D., Jr. Maude passed away October, 1975.

Submitted by Mary Shaffer

### L.D. KIBBY, JR.

L.D. Kibby, Jr. (Dee) was the only son of L.D. and Maude Kibby. He was born and reared on the Kibby farm. He gradu-

ated from Ashland High School and went to Wichita University. While in Wichita, Dee took up flying.

After my father's death, Dee had to put college to one side and intended to finish college later. He studied a lot of college work by correspondence.



L.D. Kibby, Jr.

He farmed the Kibby farm and later bought land for himself in Arriba, Colorado. Dee belonged to the Masons Lodge in Ashland, Kansas. He had enrolled in college in the spring of 1952 to return in the fall. He loved to fly and intended to commute from school to the farm by plane. He purchased an airplance and he and my mother, Maude Kibby, did a lot of flying together. Dee, unmarried, was killed in an airplane accident near Arriba, Colorado, June, 1952.

Submitted by Mary Kibby Shaffer

### AMY AND RICK KILE

I, Amy McClintock Kile, was born June 21, 1956, in Tulsa, Oklahoma, daughter of Charles and Barbara McClintock. Rick L. Kile, son of Gene and Jeanie Kile of Greensburg, Kansas, was born on February 14, 1956 in Pratt, Kansas.

We met and married in August of 1977 as seniors at Phillips University in Enid, Oklahoma. After graduating in 1978, I, with a degree in elementary education, and Rick, with a BS in history and secondary education, began teaching in area schools. I taught kindergarten and second grade for three years in Waukomis, Oklahoma. Rick taught social studies at Drummond, Oklahoma and at Enid High School.

In September of 1981, Rick drastically changed our lifestyle by taking a job with Northern Natural Gas Company in Ashland.



Rick, Amy and Micah Kile, December, 1982

I began substituting in the elementary school here and working part time at Walker's of Ashland. October 18, 1982, brought another big change in our life - the birth of a son, Micah Lee Kile, in Dodge City, Kansas.

At this writing I am a teacher at Rainbow Connection Preschool and Rick has just completed training and is awaiting the start of a new job as meter technician for Northern Natural Gas Company. Micah is now 17 months old.

We enjoy living in Ashland and are impressed with the town and its people.

Submitted by Amy Kile

# DAVID AND CATHARINE HARTMAN KLINGER

David Klinger was born March 21, 1846 in Logan, Ohio, and died March 5, 1921 in Ashland. Catharine Hartman was born February 25, 1850 in Lithopolis, Ohio, and died November 11, 1925 in Denison, Kansas. David and Catharine were married November 19, 1873 in Lithopolis.

In 1883, they and their children, Lillie Blanche (Mrs. Tom Gardiner), Israel Jenison, John Vernon, and Orella May (Mrs. Alvin Mull) moved to Belton, Missouri.

In 1887, David sent a carload of stock, plow, harrow, and household goods to Dodge City enroute to Ashland. He bought 160 acres located seven miles southwest of Ashland on which there was a sod house.

1887 was an exceptionally dry year and the crop was a failure. That fall he sold produce to Camp Supply for additional income. The following spring he and his sons started a "day herd" looking after stock of neighbors. Catharine looked after the stock during the day while her sons were at school. When watermelon was in season, she took one for food and drink. She made and sold butter to supplement a meager income. After losing two wheat crops from hail, he did not plant wheat again for many years, but concentrated on raising cattle.



David Klinger family. Orella Mull, Jen Klinger, Blanche Gardiner, John 'Klinger. Seated - David and Catharine - 1896.

When times improved, lumber was hauled from Dodge City to build a home and barn. They purchased more land, later making divisions to provide homes for their children. Three sets of farm improvements were built by the Klinger family.

The Junction Valley School, later known as the Klinger School, was near their home. David served on the school board, was trustee and treasurer of Edwards Township and was active in local politics. He was a member of the Democratic Party, and Odd Fellows Lodge. Both were members of the Methodist Church. They moved to Ashland in 1912.

The Klinger's grandchildren are: Lyle Russel and Melba Catherine, children of John and Alta (Wilder) Klinger, and Byron Willis (deceased), Dwight David and Dorothea, children of Jenison and Hazel (Broadie) Klinger.

Submitted by Catherine Cauthers Klinger and Dorothea Klinger Shaw

### DWIGHT KLINGER FAMILY

Dwight David Klinger was born on the Klinger farm July 6, 1914. Catherine Marie Cauthers was born July 28, 1918, in Ashland. They were married December 1, 1940, in the Ashland Presbyterian Church. They are the parents of four daughters, Karen, 306

Diane, Katherine Jenison, and Laurel Cauthers. Both grandfathers, I.J. Klinger and T.R. Cauthers, were member of the Kansas House of Representatives. Jen was a Democrat and Tom a Republican.

Dwight attended the Klinger School until 1926, when the family moved to town. He graduated from Kemper Military Academy and Kansas State University (1938). His military record includes: Culver Summer Naval School; Kemper, ROTC; junior officer at CCC camp; naval air cadet, Pensacola, Florida. During World War II, he was a (civilian) pre-glider instructor, and later a flight instructor in the Marine Air Corps Reserve in Corpus Christi, Texas. The war ended while Major Klinger was in El Centro, California, training to fly cargo and troop carriers.

Deciding his real interest was farming and ranching, he returned from Pensacola in 1938 and purchased Dr. Workman's farm. Returning from the service in 1945, he bought Bear Creek



Dwight and Catherine Klinger Wedding picture, December 1, 1940

Ranch. The family moved to town in December, 1954. Interested in soil conservation, Dwight has built dams and contours, and planted marginal farm ground to native grasses. An alfalfa field on the Workman land was the landing strip for the first of several airplanes Dwight owned.

He was a director and chairman of the Ashland Cooperative Exchange and the Ninth District Farm Credit Board of Wichita. While a member of the Ashland School Board and the Kansas State Board of Regents, Dwight has signed and presented four diplomas to their daughter, Karen, and two to Diane. Memberships include: Sigma Alpha Epsilon, the Masonic Lodge, Wichita Consistory and Midian Shrine.

Catherine attended the Ashland schools and graduated from Washburn University in 1940. She is a member of Kappa Alpha Theta and was president of the Washburn chapter. She is active in P.E.O., Ashland Study Club and the United Presbyterian Women. She served eight years on the library board. The first "Pride" notebook was assembled by her.

Submitted by Catherine Cauthers Klinger

#### I.J. KLINGER

Israel Jenison (Jen) Klinger, son of David and Catharine (Hartman) Klinger, was born August 17, 1876 in Lithopolis, Ohio. He died in Ashland, April 17, 1969. In 1883, his family moved to Belton, Missouri. In 1887, they moved to a farm located seven miles southwest of Ashland which his father had purchased. Jen homesteaded 160 acres nearby.

Hazel Everett Broadie, daughter of Samuel Franklin and Eva G. (Whinery) Broadie, was born August 8, 1887, at the Broadie farm seven miles southeast of Ashland. She died July 14, 1969 in Ashland.

Hazel attended Kansas State University in 1909. Jen went to Manhattan, hired a horse and buggy and went "a courtin." They were married January 31, 1911 in the home of her parents. They lived on the Klinger "home place," moving to town in 1926. Jen continued to operate his farming and livestock busi-





Hazel Klinger, 1941

Jen Klinger, 1941 ness almost until his death.

Their children are Byron Willis (December 9, 1912-July 2, 1921), Dwight David (married Catherine Cauthers) and Dorothea (married James William Shaw). There are five grandchildren and eleven great-grandchildren.

Jen served on the school board of the Klinger school for over fifteen years. He was a member of the Masonic Lodge, Wichita Consistory, Midian Shrine, Dodge City Shrine, Kansas Livestock Association and Kiwanis. He served in the Kansas State Legislature as (D) representative from Clark County in 1941-42.

Hazel belonged to the Mum Embroidery Club, Eastern Star and Daughters of the American Revolution. She served many years as county chairman of the Crippled Children's Clinic, and on the local board of the Salvation Army Service Unit. They were both members of the Methodist Church.

In 1961, Jen and Hazel's children honored them on their 50th anniversary with a reception in the home of their daughter.

Submitted by Catherine Cauthers Klinger and Dorothea Klinger Shaw

# DORIS KNOWLTON KNAPP

Doris Knowlton was born in Redlands, California, to Lewis and Alberta (Walker) Knowlton. Her mother passed away when Doris was eight years old.

After the death of her mother, Doris lived with her grandparents, George and Mary Walker of Englewood. She attended school there until 1929, when she returned to Berkeley, California, to live with her father and finish high school.

She worked in the San Francisco Bay area and married. Her husband died and she continued working for the City of Oakland. In 1955, she moved to Alhambra, California, where she worked for Montgomery Ward Co. She and Ziba Knapp were married in 1958. In January of 1960, her husband retired from the Los Angeles County Fire Department after 32 years service.



Doris and Ziba Knapp, 1958, at time Mr. Knapp received 30-year pin from L.A. Co. Fire Department.

They lived in Rosemead, California until 1972 when they sold their home and after living in California again for 43 years, moved to a small town in Utah. They loved it in Aurora, as Doris said, "It was like coming home." Ziba (Micky) adapted to it also and always had a large garden to work in. Their first winter was severe but they enjoyed it and made wonderful friends. On March 10, 1978, Doris lost her husband suddenly. She remained in Utah until July, 1979, and since most of her mother's family was in Kansas, decided to move to Ashland after 50 years.

Clark County is home to Doris as her grandparents and their family moved to Clark County in 1916 and 1917. She is a cousin of Val Walker and Fern Rinehart.

Submitted by Doris Knapp

# DONALD KNIGHT FAMILY

Donald Thomas Knight was born June 14, 1927 in Flint, Michigan. He was raised and educated in the State of Oregon. Annette Knight, daughter of Edna and John Dakin, was born April 17, 1939 in Ashland, Kansas and was graduated from A.H.S. in 1957. Annette and Don met in Denver, Colorado in 1959 and were married in the First Prebyterian Church in Ashland on April 17, 1960.

Both of their children were born in Denver. Thomas Dakin Knight on April 24, 1961 and Diana Elaine Knight on June 29, 1964.

Swift & Company transferred the Knights to Chicago, Illinois in 1964. Don's career with Swift spanned 29 years. Since taking an early retirement, Don has owned and operated "Sell It Again, Sam," an antique and collectibles shop in surburban Chicago.



The Knights: Thomas Dakin, Annette, Donald Thomas, Diane Elaine, 1982

Annette is Vice President of Francorp, Inc., a franchise development and consulting firm, also in suburban Chicago. She conducts educational franchise seminars and provides consulting to franchise companies.

Tom is a firefighter and EMT and will complete paramedic studies in June of 1984.

Diana is employed by a large telemarketing firm and enjoys collecting corporate data on major companies.

Our family belongs to the First Presbyterian Church of Homewood. Don enjoys Masonic activities, particularly Shrine functions, and Annette is active in the P.E.O. sisterhood.

Submitted by Annette Knight

### DIANE LYNN KRIER

Diane Lynn Krier was born November 27, 1962 in Ashland, Kansas. She is the fourth child and youngest daughter of Gerald



Diane Krier

### and Patricia Krier.

Diane attended grades K-12 in the Ashland schools, graduating in the spring of 1981. She then went on to college and graduated from DCCC in the spring of 1983.

Diane is currently living in Dodge City and is employed by Gary Lowrie Oil Company.

Submitted by Diane Krier

#### GERALD AND PATRICIA KRIER

Gerald (Jerry) Krier was born December 27, 1936 at Emporia, Kansas. He is the seventh and youngest son of Lawrence Krier and Josephine Fladung Krier.

Patricia (Patty) Richard was born February 12, 1940 at Shattuck, Oklahoma. She is the oldest of five children of Rollin (Pat) Richard and Zelda (Dolly) Coykendall Richard.

On October 29, 1955, Gerald Krier of Englewood and Patricia Richard of May, Oklahoma were married in St. Joseph's Church at Ashland, Kansas. They made their home 14 miles south and west of Ashland in Antelope Valley. Here they have ranched and farmed since that time.



Patricia Richard and Gerald Krier, 1955

In 1970, their family having outgrown the house they were living in, they bought the old Crouch house which sat north of Minneola, and moved it to their land in Antelope Valley. It became a home and haven for their family and ranch headquarters.

Gerald and Patricia are the parents of five children: Gwen who lives at Kinsley; Gerime who lives on the headquarters of the Gabbert Ranch; Greg who lives on the ranch west of Ashland; Diane who lives in Dodge City and Isaac of the home.

A source of great pleasure, pride and joy are their six grandchildren: Michelle, Nicholas, and Jason Schartz, Sarah Randle, Tony Krier and Adam Krier.

Submitted by Mr. and Mrs Gerald Krier

#### GERIME AND BETH KRIER FAMILY

Gerime Dale Krier was born December 29, 1959 to Gerald and Patricia Krier. He attended Ashland schools where he earned honors as kicker for the football team and participated in basketball, track and speech and was a member of the National Honor Society. He graduated in 1978 and attended Oklahoma State University for three and one-half semesters and St. Mary of the Plains College for one semester, majoring in agriculture business.

Elizabeth Elna Harrison was born November 26, 1959, the fifth of seven children of Roland and Mary Margaret Harrison of Bartlesville, Oklahoma. She attended the Bartlesville schools, where she was active in choir and was a member of the National Honor Society. She was the Parish and Diocesan Chairperson of the Catholic Youth Organization for the Bartlesville-Tulsa area. She graduated in 1978 and attended Oklahoma State University that fall, with a major in psychology and a minor in recreation, and met Gerime. They were married August 9, 1980.

They moved to Ashland in October, 1980, to continue ranch-



Beth and Gerime Krier holding son, Adam, Thanksgiving, 1981 ing. Their son, Adam John, was born May 10, 1981 at Ashland District Hospital.

Gerime and Beth attend St. Joseph's Church where they are members of the Social Concerns Committee and have actively participated in the Diocesan RENEW program. Gerime became an Emergency Medical Technician in June, 1983, and serves Clark County on the ambulance. Beth has been in the Community Choir and played the part of Norma Hubley in "Visitor from Forest Hills" by Neil Simon in the 1983 summer Ice Cream Theatre.

Submitted by Gerime and Beth Krier

### **GILBERT J. KRIER FAMILY**

A driving sleet storm finally turned into a full-fledged western blizzard the night that Gilbert, Mary, Deborah and Mary Josephine Krier moved to Clark County. Mary Jo was two months old to the day and Debi was 21 months. Nineteen months later they spent eight months in Meade County where Barbara Sue was welcomed. Sixteen months after, residing at the George Abell ranch, the family welcomed Robert George Krier II. Six years later, residing at the Philip Glen Ranch, Nancy Helen entered the household of loving parents, brother and sisters. Their joy knew no boundaries when Jeffrey Lincoln Krier was born 23 months later.

Jeff was named for his grandfather, John Francis Lincoln, third cousin to Abraham Lincoln.



Bottom row: Debi, Gilbert, Mary, Nancy. Top row: Mary Jo, Jeff, George and Barbara

Through these joyous years, Gilbert provided well for his family as a ranchhand until 1959 when he and his dad leased the Phil Glen ranch. Debi is a graduate surgical nurse and the mother of Shane Blake and Robi Stittsworth; Mary Jo is the mother of Jennifer Jo, Curtis Jerome and Mitchell John and the wife of Ron F. Watson. After her children arrived she went to college and is a registered nurse.

Barbara is married to David Persinger and the mother of Chris Noell and Mary Margaret Persinger. Barbara is a clerk in the A.S. C.S. office in Kiowa Co. George works for his father and grandfather as a ranchhand and is the company's farrier.

Nancy graduates from St. Mary of the Plains this May and is employed in the Court Service office of Ford County.

Jeff is a sophomore at St. Mary's where he has been on the starting football team for two years.

Gilbert serves as a special minister at St. Joseph's Church in Ashland.

Submitted by Mary Jo Krier

#### KRIER FAMILY

Lawrence Krier was born at Horton, Kansas in 1900. His wife, Josephine, was born at Fairbury, Nebraska in 1898. Mr. Krier's parents moved to Atchison County in 1903. Josephine's family moved to Olpe, Kansas in 1904. In 1921, Josephine and Lawrence were married at Olpe. They lived on a farm there until 1944, when they leased the Carl Hunt ranch from Arnold Burns. They lived on the ranch 5 years, then leased the Gabbert ranch which they still operate.



Charles, Gilbert, Harold, Larry and Jerry. Seated: Josephine and Lawrence

To this union seven boys were born. Harold, the oldest, was killed in a plane crash in 1971 at Derby, Kansas. The Ashland airport is named after him. Larry and family live in Ashland; Charles is on the Comstock Ranch; Gilbert and family are on the Glen Ranch; Jerry and family are on the Hazel Brooks Ranch and Walter and family live in Mission, Kansas. One son, Robert, died at Olpe.

Lawrence and Josephine celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary in 1981.

Submitted by Lawrence Krier

### LARRY KRIER FAMILY

Larry was born and raised at Olpe, Kansas. He is the second son of Lawrence and Josphine Krier. He attended school at Olpe, Kansas. After his schooling, he enlisted in the U.S. Navy where he served in both areas of Europe and the Pacific. When he was discharged, he returned to his new home on the Gabbert Ranch near Acres, Kansas. A few months later, Larry went into construction work, working for the Fluor Construction Co., where he had worked off and on for 15 years. In 1958, Larry married Ann L. Dye, born and raised in Meade, Kansas. When their children began to go to school, Larry and Ann decided it was best to settle down in one place, Ashland, Kansas. For the last 20 years they have been involved in ranching with Larry's brother Charles on the Comstock ranch, north of Ashland.

The family consist of: Marc, born May 18, 1959, of Ashland; Galen, born July 31, 1960, of Ashland; Beth, born March 15, 1963, of Dodge City and Janet, born August 20, 1965, of Dodge City. The family is active in the community and attend St. Joseph's Catholic Church. Larry stays busy ranching and Ann is a devoted housewife and mother. The family residence is at 1217 Birch Street.

Submitted by Larry Krier

### FRED AND INEZ (SUNDGREN) KUMBERG

Fred and Inez Kumberg lived in the Sitka House and were interested in farming and were active in community activities.

Fred came with his parents to Sawyer, Kansas in 1898 from Stover, Missouri. In 1910, Fred and his brother Bill came to Clark County working on the Smith ranch near St. Jacobs well until 1912 when he bought the Sitka farm. Fred served on the Sitka School Board, Methodist Church Board, as president of Clark County Farm Bureau, a member of Ashland Hospital Board and on Selective Service Board during its existence.

Inez, born near Lindsborg, Kansas, came with her parents, the Gust Sundgrens, to Clark County, 1915. They lived on the farm that Lorenzo Boone homesteaded in 1884 northeast of Sitka.



Bessie, Fred, Inez and Grace Kumberg

She joined the Sitka Methodist Church, 1916 and taught Sunday School until the church united with the Ashland Church.

Inez and Fred were married in 1922. Inez was active in the Ladies Aid Society. She helped to organize the Sitka Hustlers 4-H Club in 1927. After Fred's death, she moved to Ashland in 1952, she became a member of Mum Embroidery Club and several other organizations. She served as Cancer Service Chairman, as Register of Deeds Deputy for 5 years and in 1968 became the first Curator in Pioneer Museum, serving there 4 years.

They had two daughters, Bessie Pauline and Grace Luella. Submitted by Inez Kumberg

#### RACHEL YORK KUMPF

Rachel York was born September 15, 1943 in Ashland, Kansas, the youngest child of John and Clarice York. The year Rachel started to first grade, the Sitka school closed and all the children attended school in Ashland. She graduated from Ashland High School in 1961 and began her college career at Southwestern College in Winfield, Kansas, in the fall of 1961. After graduating from Southwestern with a degree in music education, Rachel began teaching elementary music in Overland Park, Kansas. She later received her masters degree in music education at the University of Kansas. Rachel is presently teaching music at Mill



Ernest and Rachel Kumpf, 1981 Creek Elementary School in the Shawnee Mission School District.

Rachel met her husband, Ernest Kumpf, while teaching in Overland Park. Ernie grew up in the Missouri Ozarks--Climax Springs, Missouri. He received his undergraduate degree at Central Missouri State in Warrensburg, Mo. and his masters degree at the University of Kansas. Ernie was an administrator in the Shawnee Mission Schools until his retirement in 1982.

Rachel has two stepchildren--Rebecca and Chris. They live with their families in the Shawnee Mission area. Ernie and Rachel have five grandchildren.

Ernie and Rachel enjoy vacationing in the Ozarks, spending time with their family and they are both avid fans of the Kansas City Royals.

Submitted by Rachel Kumpf

### MEL LAGERMAN FAMILY

Melvin Ray Lagerman was born February 12, 1945 to Riley and Agatha (Betts) Lagerman, the last of 6 children. He was raised in the Salina, Kansas area. G. Louise (Redger) Lagerman, daughter of Albert and Grace (Kumberg) Redger, was born December 31, 1948 in Dodge City, Kansas. She grew up in Ashland, graduating in the class of 1966. She majored in English at FHSC where she met Mel. They were married February 28, 1970.



Mel, Louise, Mike and Kasey Lagerman, 1984

The Lagerman's children are Mike and Kasey. Mike was born October 18, 1970. He likes to play football and go hunting. Daughter Kasey was born August 26, 1974. She enjoys Girl Scouts and camping. The family is active in many community and school organizations, PTA, Scouts, 4-H, Rodeo, football and the Diabetics Association. The Lagermans live at 1101 Harold Ave., Salina, Kansas. Mel is a truck driver and Louise works as an analyst for Beech Aircraft Corp.

Submitted by Louise Lagerman

### CHARLES AND LUCILE (POWERS) LAKE

Charles Lake was born in Illinois and moved to Oklahoma, then to Ashland with his parents when he was a boy. His birth date is February 2, 1904. His parents were Lester and Grace Viola (Craft) Lake.

Ruby Lucile Powers was born January 14, 1911, in Ashland, daughter of Ed and Cressie Powers. She attended Ashland schools and Lucile and Charles were married by Judge O.T. Ammon at the Court House on May 9, 1942. They have lived all their married life in Ashland.

Charles belongs to the Church of Christ, and Lucile, who was raised in the Methodist Church, has been a Presbyterian since Albert, her brother, began working at the Presbyterian Church 310



The Lake family. Lester, Grace, Charles, Lucile, Helen and Ethel, 1956 as janitor, and suggested that Lucile and her mother, Cressie, might like it "over there."

Lucile has been active since 1943 in the Searchlight and Bear Creek Home Demonstration Units.

Submitted by Lucile Lake (Lucile died April 24, 1984.)

### LESTER LAKE FAMILY

Both Lester and Grace Viola (Craft) Lake were born in Illinois. He was born March 30, 1879 in Bellair and she on February 22, 1884. They were married in 1903, in Illinois. Born to this union were Charles and Minnie (Knierhm) in Illinois, and Elmo who was born in May, Oklahoma. They moved to Ashland about 1905. Elmo died June 5, 1956.



#### Lester, Grace and Elmo

Lester worked as caretaker at the Highland Cemetery for many years, a labor which he enjoyed. He died August 3, 1967 at Ashland, with services at the Methodist Church. Grace died in 1968. They both are buried in Highland Cemetery.

Submitted by Lucile Lake

## PATRICIA (PATTY HOY) LAMONT

I was born April 1, 1926 at Coldwater, Kansas. My father was Dale Hoy (deceased) and my mother, Maxine (Martin) Hoy Umphreys, who is still living. My father's parents homesteaded in Buffalo, Oklahoma. The main street of Buffalo is named for them, Hoy Street. My mother's parents lived in Englewood, Kansas and Gate, Oklahoma.

After attending first grade in Montezuma, Kansas, my parents separated and mother and I moved to Ashland, Kansas to be near her sister, Loulu and Guy Quillen. Here I attended second grade through the middle of my sophomore year in high school, when Mother and I moved to Wichita, Kansas to find work. Mo-

Patricia Lee Hoy Lamont, 5th grade, Ashland Grade School, 1936



ther remarried and I attended East High School and Wichita State University. I married Jack Lamont in my sophomore year at the university when he returned from the armed services in 1945.

Jack Lamont was born in Ashland, Kansas in 1921. His parents were Herman and Irene (Hamilton) Lamont. They moved to Turon, Kansas soon after Jack was born. Irene's parents were Ashland homesteaders, Jess and Kathryn Hamilton.

Jack decided on dry cleaning as a profession, so I quit school and went to work full time as secretary/treasurer for an oil company in order to help him. We moved to Hugoton, Kansas in 1949 and purchased our own dry cleaning establishment. We have remained here until the present time (1984). We are semiretired and contemplating further retirement. We enjoy traveling, fishing and gardening. We have two children: son Packard Lamont, Derby, Kansas, age 34, who is married and has one daughter; a daughter, Jatrice (Lamont) Cowan, Meade, Kansas, age 32, who has three children.

Submitted by Patricia Lamont

# BETTY STEPHENS LANDRETH

I am sitting at my mother's breakfast room table, watching a beautiful snow fall and remembering other lovely snows in Ashland when the "country kids" couldn't get home and we'd ride sleds behind the car then home for dry clothes and out again. Such wonderful carefree times.

I am the youngest child of John and Mary Stephens, born in 1926. I lived always in the Ashland/Lexington communities until 1944.

Jack Landreth and I met at K-State and were married in 1947. Our home is in Lawrence where we have lived for 35 years. Our son Mitch lives and works in Lawrence. Libbi, our daughter, is a park ranger in Colorado.

Submitted by Betty Stephens Landreth

### RON LARRICK FAMILY

Charles Ronald Larrick was born December 10, 1949, in Ashland, Kansas, one of three children of Everett and Eva Larrick. Ron has two sisters, Sharon and Karen. Ron attended grades one through twelve in the Ashland, Kansas schools, graduating in 1967, then he enrolled at the Dodge City Community College. In 1970, he entered the U.S. Navy where he served for four years. He served one and one half years in Viet Nam and the remainder of his term in the United States.

Verita Lynne Jellison was born January 8, 1950, in Ashland, Kansas, one of ten children of Virgil and Leda Jellison of Protection, Kansas. I have four sisters, Carol, Bea, Linda and Margaret and five brothers, Leslie, Howard, Ben, Bryon and Victor. My brothers Leslie and Bryon and Mother are deceased. I attended grades one through twelve in the Protection, Kansas schools, graduating in 1968, then enrolling in the Dodge City Cosmetology School. After graduating from Cosmetology School, I worked at Mickey's Beauty Shop in Greensburg, Kansas, later moving to Ashland and working at Dick Robert's Grocery Store, then later was employed at Bill's Grocery in Protection, Kansas.

Ron and I met while in college at Dodge City and later married February 7, 1971 at the First Baptist Church in Protection, Kansas.

Two reasons brought us to our home in Greensburg, Kansas. First, a good job opportunity; Ron was employed at Greensburg Equipment Inc. for three years. In September, 1977, he began work with Panhandle Eastern Pipeline Company. Second reason,



The Larrick family in 1983. Ron, Verita, Renee and Brian

Ron and I both came from small towns and had lived in some big cities during Ron's Navy career. We really enjoyed seeing the many sights and beautiful country while stationed in different parts of California and Washington, but we both decided smaller towns were for us and we chose Greensburg.

The Larrick's children are Renee and Brian. Jennifer Renee Larrick was born September 26, 1971 in Ashland, Kansas. Renee is a fifth grader at Delmer Day Elementary and Middle School in Greensburg.

Charles Brian Larrick was born January 4, 1974 in Greensburg, Kansas. Brian is a fourth grader at Delmer Day Elementary and Middle School in Greensburg.

Renee and Brian are very active in school activities which include band, basketball and tennis. They enjoy playing softball and baseball during the summer months.

We are all active members of the First Baptist Church and involved in many church projects. I teach Sunday School and hold offices in our church. Ron is a Trustee and is a Deacon in training.

I am also a member of Joymakers E.H.U. and Beta Sigma Phi sorority.

Swimming, hunting, fishing, camping, and gardening are our favorite sports and hobbies. We enjoy spending time with our relatives and friends.

The past is filled with warm feelings of both Ron and my families and our communities of Ashland and Protection. The future is filled with excitement as our family grows older, and new memories for all of us.

Submitted by Verita Larrick

#### MARY LEE HAYDOCK LARSON

Mary Lee is presently attending Southwestern Adventist College in Keene, Texas. She is enrolled in the business and computer sciences and participates in the student work management program for Southwestern Diversified Industries.

Mary Lee was born February 8, 1956, in Ashland to Landon and M. Eleanor Haydock and attended kindergarten, grade and high school there. Having spent several summers vacationing in the mountains of northeastern New Mexico, she applied and was accepted for summer work at Der Markt in Red River. In the fall she attended Kansas State for one year, returning to Red River where she remained until her marriage to Charles Larson III.



Mary Lee Haydock Larson and Clint Larson, 1983

For several years they lived near Springfield, Missouri and it was there, a son, Clinton Landon, was born January 27, 1978.

She always had a special fondness for animals and during her childhood years, had a variety of pets. One of her favorites was a pony she discovered one Christmas morning that 'Santa' left at the porch-rail. This led to her keen sense of horsemanship of which she spent many hours, not only for pleasure, but helping with cattle and farm chores, along with the fun and exciting County Fair Rodeos.

Submitted by Mary Lee Haydock Larson

#### HALLIE M. AND ARCHIE LEBEN

On May 2, 1925, a fourth child, Hallie Marie, was born to Hallie Martha and Elmer Rinker Broadie. Hallie Marie attended the Ashland Public Schools and graduated in 1943 from Ashland High School cum laude. She attended Kansas State University at Manhattan where she was a member of Alpha Delta Pi sorority graduating in 1947 with a Bachelor of Science in Home Economics. She taught home economics in Caney for two years and in El Dorado for 3 years. While teaching in El Dorado, Hallie Marie married Archie Leben in December, 1950. In 1952, Hallie Marie and Archie moved to Eureka, Kansas, where they owned a jewelry store. While in Eureka, two sons were born to them--Sam in 1953 and Steve in 1956. In 1958, the Lebens moved back to El



Archie Leben family. Seated: Hallie Marie Leben. Standing: Sam, Steve and Archie Leben, 1974

Dorado where they established Archie Leben Realty. Hallie Marie has been active in the business and she and Archie are both licensed real estate brokers and active in the Kansas Association of Realtors.

Their son, Sam Leben, earned a Master's degree in accounting at Texas Tech University and is now a CPA and investment broker in El Dorado. He married Linda Ketterman in 1975. Sam and Linda have two children--Dan, born in 1977, and Kimberly, born in 1979.

Steve received a law degree from the University of Kansas and now lives in Overland Park, Kansas, and is working with a Kansas City law firm.

Submitted by Hallie M. Leben

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#### DONALD AND BERNITA LECLEAR

Donald Ray LeClear, born May 19, 1937, in Meade, Kansas, to Roy and Ella May LeClear, attended school in Meade and graduated in 1955. He was an instructor for radio teletype while he was stationed in the Army at Augusta, Georgia, 1960 to 1962. He started to work for the Kansas Highway Department in 1956, as an engineer. In 1977, he was transferred to Ashland as supervisor.

Bernita Irene Pittman, daughter of R.T. and Helen Pittman, was born January 16, 1940, in Perryton, Texas. She graduated from Meade High School and has been active in Scouts, BPW and UPW.



Bernita, Don, Alan and Darren, 1974

Donald and Bernita were married November 16, 1958 in Meade. They have two sons, Alan Ray, born January 9, 1962, at Ft. Gordon, Georgia. Alan graduated from Ashland High School in 1981. He works for Northern Natural. Darren Layne, born February 26, 1971, in Meade, is a 7th grader at Ashland.

They enjoy camping, fishing and playing golf. Donald also enjoys playing his guitar. The family attends the Presbyterian Church.

Submitted by Bernita LeClear

#### STEVEN LEIGHTY FAMILY

The Leighty family moved to Ashland in 1978. Steve is currently employed by the Young Construction Company and Nancy is employed by the Ashland District Hospital.

Steven Carl was born on October 4, 1952 at Ulysses, Kansas to Ivan and Ida Voderodt Leighty. Steve, one of seven children, grew up and received his education in the Ulysses community.

Nancy Lee was born to Alfred, Jr. and Louise Voss Thomas of Rosston, Oklahoma on August 16, 1953 at Shattuck, Oklahoma. Nancy moved to the Ashland community with her family in 1963 and received her education in the Ashland school system. Nancy and Randall Mings were married in May of 1970. Nancy continued her education at Dodge City Community College, graduating in 1977 with a degree in secretarial science. Nancy and Steve were married February 14, 1976. In 1982, Nancy received the following certifications: Nurses' Aide, Medication Aide, and Activity Director for Nursing Homes.

Their daughters are Beverly Jo Mings, born November 11, 1970 at Minneola, Kansas, and Randi Jo Mings, born November 11, 1971 at Minneola, Kansas. The girls share the same birthday. Submitted by Sherelyn Thomas-Roberson

#### MICHAEL AND NANCY LEMMON

Michael and Nancy Lemmon came to Ashland in 1916 from Red Rock, Iowa. They came in search of a drier climate and also to be closer to three of their daughters, Mrs. Hattie Dickey and

Mr. and Mrs. Michael Lemmon who built Ashland's first pool in 1917.



Mrs. Mattie Swaim, who lived near Coldwater, Kansas, and another daughter, Mrs. Jennie Meekma, who lived near Minneola. Mike was a gardener. He built Ashland's first swimming pool and used the waste water to irrigate his garden.

They had one son, Guy Lemmon, who brought his bride, Carrie, to Ashland and worked for the Carsons a couple of years, then moved to Wichita.

Mike and Nan loved children. Michael Lemmon passed away in 1922, and Nancy Lemmon in 1933.

Submitted by Orville Dickey

### **GUILFORD LESLIE FAMILY**

Guilford and Ollie Leslie have lived in Clark County all but one year of their 63 years of married life.

Guilford Dudley Leslie was born January 9, 1898, Kinsley, Kansas, only son of 6 children of Ulysses and Brettie Heath Leslie. He helped his parents move to Ashland from Kinsley in 1910, taking 3 days, about 60 miles as the crow flies. He attended school at Riverside School south of Ashland, later attended several short courses at Kansas State Agriculture College, Manhattan. He served in the Kansas Home Guard for a period of time.

Ollie Elizabeth Watts, daughter of Charles Wesley and Georgia Hackley Watts, was born September 25, 1902 in Corder, Mo. She moved with her parents to the Bloom area in 1906, then lived in Minneola in her grade school years. They moved to Ashland in 1917, where Mr. Watts was sheriff of Clark County until they moved to California in 1921.

Guilford and Ollie were married January 2, 1921 in the basement of the old courthouse in Ashland. They farmed six miles south of Ashland until they retired in 1970. Their children,



Dean, Darlene, Ollie, Guilford, Doris, Charles. Janice in front - 1945

Charles, Doris, Darlene, Dean and Janice, all graduated from Ashland High School.

Charles was born November 10, 1922 in Ashland, served in the U.S. Air Force 22 years. He married Marianne Huff. They have three children. Since his retirement, they live in Arizona.

Doris was born March 29, 1924 in California. She married Leo Kelliher in Rockland, Ma., where they have lived all their married life and still reside there. They have nine children, eight boys and one girl. One son died of cancer at the age of 6.

Darlene was born May 10, 1926 at the family farm. She married John W. (Jack) Rankin in Biloxi, Mississippi while he was in the service. They have four sons. Jack died in 1974. Darlene resides in Minneola.

Dean was born July 27, 1932 at the farm. He served 4 years in the Air Force. He married Janatha Greene and had three children. Janatha Greene died of cancer in 1971. Dean married Shirley Almquist and they presently live in Larned where Dean is assistant manager of the Pawnee County Co-op. Janice was born July 14, 1940 in Ashland. She married James Fore of Wichita. They had two sons. Jim died in 1974. Janice married Jacob Shaffer at Wichita where they presently live.

After 43 years on the farm, Guilford and Ollie built their home in Ashland in 1963, where they presently reside.

Submitted by Darlene Rankin and Janice Shaffer

### JANATHA GREENE LESLIE

Janatha Jane Greene was the second child of Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Greene, Jr. While her parents were in Colorado, she came to stay with her Grandmother and Grandfather, Mary and Edgar Watts. This formed an attachment that lasted until her grandmother died in 1964. She attended grade and high school in Ashland, graduating from AHS in 1952. She married her high school sweetheart, Dean Leslie, of Ashland, on her birthday in 1953. She always had a great amount of enthusiasm for the game of bridge. Janatha worked as a secretary in the Clark County Extension Office for several years before she and Dean moved to Larned where she was a secretary for the city of Larned until a few months before her death from cancer in 1971.

Three children made up Janatha and Dean's family. Brenda, now married to Richard Winn, an electrician, lives in Hanna, Wyoming. Brenda is a hardware store clerk. Kevin is a longwall operator in a Hanna coal mine. Mary is married to Kevin Yurchak and lives in Paola, Kansas. She teaches special education at Lake Mary School and Kevin works for a wholesale merchandiser.

Dean now lives with his second wife, Shirley, in Larned, where he is assistant manager of the Larned Coop.

Submitted by Priscilla Greene

### U.G. LESLIE FAMILY

Mr. and Mrs. U.G. Leslie arrived in Ashland, Kansas, October, 1910, with their family of six children. Ulysses Grant Leslie was born March 23, 1864, in Clarence, Iowa, one of eight children. His family moved to Kinsley, Kansas, in 1877, where he grew up. He farmed there until moving to Ashland. He died September 27, 1951. Brettie Ruperta Heath was born July 12, 1873, in Binghamton, New York. The family moved to Kinsley, Kansas in 1877. She lived with her parents on a small acreage just outside of Kinsley until her marriage. She died January 15, 1961.



Mr. and Mrs. U. G. Leslie 50th wedding anniversary 1943

This couple was married November 8, 1893 and resided on their farm sixteen miles from Kinsley, Kansas until 1910, where their six children were born: Naomi, Guilford, Eula, Gail, Doris and Bernice.

Naomi Leslie married Earl Webb, December 6, 1918 and they had five children: Ruperta, David, Harold, Delbert and Vernon. Naomi Webb died July 1, 1930 and Earl Webb died January 5, 1942.

Guilford Leslie married Ollie Watts, January 2, 1921. They had five children: Charles, Doris Ann, Darlene, Dean and Janice.

Eula Leslie married John W. McCollister, November 24, 1948.

John died November 17, 1977.

Gail Leslie married Gilbert Gribble, February 17, 1924. Their two children are Betty and Stanley. Gilbert died August 15, 1971 and Gail died March 16, 1976.

Doris Leslie married Ray Finley July 14, 1924. Their two children are Jack and Mary Lou. Ray Finley died December 3, 1977.

Bernice Leslie married Marion Nelson June 7, 1930. Their two children are Lawrence and Melba Jane. Marion Nelson died November 16, 1973.



U.G. Leslie family. Bernice, Gail, Naomi, Guilford, Eula, Doris. Seated: U.G. Leslie and Brettie Leslie. Taken on farm south of Ashland in 1922.

In 1909, Mr. and Mrs. Leslie bought farmland six miles south of Ashland and moved to Ashland from Kinsley in 1910. They arrived with two wagons, a hayrack, three teams and a half-shetland pony. This trip took three days. They camped in a tent for a week across the road from the old Methodist Church and a short time later they moved to a house on what was then called the Oklahoma road, about four miles south of Ashland. They lived there until they built on their own property in Bear Creek Valley six miles south of Ashland.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie were instrumental in organizing the Riverside School District and also helped organize the Farm Bureau in Clark County. The family moved in to Ashland in 1928 and the management of their farm was turned over to their son, Guilford.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie were active in community affairs as long as their health permitted.

Submitted by Eula Leslie McCollister

### KENNETH AND DEANA (McPHAIL) LETERLE

Kenneth Eugene Leterle, better known as "Friday," was born March 27, 1955 in Dodge City, Kansas to Herbert and Della Leterle. After twenty years of following his father's military career, they retired in Dodge City. He came to Ashland and worked on farms and the Clark County Highway Department until 1973 when he moved to Cimarron, Kansas for a short time until he joined the United States Army in 1974. He went to school at Fort Eustis, Virginia and became a Crew Chief on helicopters. He served three years at Fort Riley as Crew Chief.

Kenneth, Elliot, Deana and Chris, 1983



He applied for Warrant Officer Flight School and received his training at Fort Rucker, Alabama in 1978, graduating in April, 1979. He flew and instructed in Huey helicopters. After a year's tour in Korea and another tour at Fort Riley, he returned to Fort Rucker, Alabama in 1983 to complete a transition to Chinooks and to attend the Warrant Officers Advanced Course. He is now flying Chinooks at Schwaebisch Hall, Germany on a three year tour.

Deana Kay McPhail, daughter of Marven and Ellen McPhail, was born October 19, 1956 in Ashland. She grew up in Ashland and attended grades 1-12 in Ashland schools. Deana and Kenneth were married December 17, 1973 at Dodge City. She has followed his career in the service from Virginia to Germany and is active in the military community wherever they are stationed.

Kenneth and Deana have two sons, Elliot and Christopher, Elliot Eugene was born August 14, 1977 at Fort Rucker, Alabama. He is in the first grade and loves traveling. Christopher Will was born May 6, 1981 at Ashland.

The Leterles are frequent visitors in Ashland between duty stations and on leave. They help on her parents' farm while visiting with the numerous family members.

Submitted by Deana Leterle

### ROBERT AND BILLIE LOU (GILLESPIE) LEWIS FAMILY

Billie is the daughter of Edna May Gillespie Johnston and the late George (Jake) Gillespie.

The Gillespie family moved to Ashland from Englewood in 1947, and Billie attended Ashland Public Schools until her graduation in 1956. After many years as a housewife, she returned to school for a degree in nursing and graduated from Evergreen Valley College, San Jose, California in 1978. Billie is presently employed at Porter Memorial Hospital as a registered nurse in Denver, Colorado.

Bob is an Aerospace Engineer, presently employed by Martin Marietta as an Intergration Manager. His occupation has taken the family to many parts of the country over the years, including Guam, where their daughter was born, and the Seychelles Islands in the Indian Ocean.

Bob and Billie have two children, well known to most Ashland residents, for they have always considered Ashland their "Home away from Home."

Mark, after spending two years in Germany on a church mission, is presently attending BYU. He is an honors student and is majoring in accounting.

Shari, an outstanding athlete, has played on the varsity soccer, basketball and volleyball teams in high school, as well as participating in track and baseball. Shari will graduate from Arapahoe High in Littleton, Colorado this spring and plans on attending UNC this fall and majoring in physical education.

Submitted by Billie L. Lewis

#### DANIEL DEE LINGELBACH FAMILY

Ruby Dickey Lingelbach was born May 12, 1927 in Meade County, Kansas, the second child of Orville and Myrtle Dickey.

She graduated from Ashland High School in 1945. Activities included 4-H, Methodist Church, band and glee club. She attended Kansas State University, graduating in 1949 with a BS in Home Economics and Art. She was a member of Clovia Sorority, was active in Collegiate 4-H, Wesley Foundation and Art Club.

Dan was born October 4, 1925, oldest of the two sons of George and Nora Corbet Lingelbach. He attended Manhattan,

Kansas High School but graduated in 1943 from Anacostia High, Washington, D.C. He joined the Navy and was a part of the V-12 program for 3 years at the University of Virginia. At the close of the war he transferred to Kansas State University, earned his BS

Dan and Ruby (Dickey) Lingelbach, 1980



in Electrical Engineering in 1947, MS in 1948. He was a member of Theta Xi fraternity, was active in engineering clubs and Wesley Foundation. His PhD was earned in 1960 from Oklahoma State University, Stillwater. He taught electrical engineering at the University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, 1948 to 1955 and at Oklahoma State University, Stillwater from 1956 to the present.

Dan and Ruby were married August 28, 1949 in Ashland, Kansas. Their children and grandchildren are: Jean Marie and her daughter, Christi Young; Dick, his son Aaron, and step-son, Randy; David is still single.

Both are active in the Stillwater Methodist Chruch, gem and mineral society, Ostomy Association and engineering organizations. Both enjoy rockhounding, hiking and biking.

Submitted by Ruby Lingelbach

#### JESSE M. LINN FAMILY

In 1915, Jess Linn, wife Mabel, and daughter Iona Mae moved from Wellington to Ashland where Mr. Linn came to work in the clothing business. The rest of the Linn children, Ruby, Loren, Vernon, Harold, Geraldine, and Margaret, were born in Ashland between 1915 and 1929.

Iona Mae graduated from Ashland High and moved to Wichita where she met and married Robert Coe, now a retired C.P.A. They have three daughters, one son, and live in Colorado.

Ruby also graduated from Ashland High and later married Carl Williams, the County Farm Agent. She has one son and two daughters. Carl died in Manhattan, Kansas at age 55.

Loren, following graduation from Ashland High and Wichita University, attended Harvard for one year and earned his doctorate in chemistry at Northwestern University. He married Gertrude Smiley, moved to Wilmington, Delaware, and worked for Hercules until he retired in 1983. They have four daughters.

Vernon attended schools here but graduated from North High in Wichita. He married Jackie Redding and had two sons. Vernon was an oil-well drilling superintendent in the United States and Canada. He died of emphysema in 1976.

Harold, Geraldine, and Margaret attended schools here and in Wellington, graduating from Wellington High.

Harold, a member of the Kansas Historical Society, lives in Wellington and works for NCR in Wichita.

Geraldine married Claude Broin and moved to Kentucky. She has one daughter whose father died in 1980. Geraldine is working in Social Security insurance claims.

Margaret married John Gasper of Wellington; they have three sons. John is a high school principal in Wichita.

Jess Linn was on the Ashland baseball team and later took up golf, twice winning the Kansas Senior Citizen Golf Tournament.

Active in the Presbyterian Church, he also belonged to the Community Club and Odd Fellows Lodge. Mabel Linn was a member of Rebecca Lodge and Daughters of American Colonists. They died in Wellington, Jess at the age of 86 and Mabel at age 90. Submitted by Iona Linn Coe

### WAYNE LITTON FAMILY

Wayne was born in Woods County, Oklahoma, near Alva, on February 10, 1924. The farm, on which he was born, was homesteaded by his father, Nate B. Litton, in the Cherokee Strip Run and is now owned by Wayne's younger brother. Wayne's mother, Frankie, is still living, at 95.

Betty is the daughter of Gilbert and Gail Gribble. She was born in Ashland, April 30, 1925. Although she lived there only as an infant, she spent many summers in Ashland, with her grandparents, so had many friends there.

Wayne and Betty met and were schoolmates, during the time that Betty's father, Gilbert, was teaching in Alva, Oklahoma, and were married February 27, 1944. They began their married life on the Litton farm, west of Alva. Wayne went into the service in 1945, serving most of his time in the Philippines. Following his discharge from the service, Betty and Wayne chose to live in Kansas, spending the past 38 years in the Hutchinson area. For over 25 years, Wayne has been employed by Consolidated Mfg., Inc., of Hutchinson. Betty worked as a secretary for 16 years in Nickerson and at the junior college in Hutchinson. Now she devotes a great deal of her time to golf--playing or working in an executive capacity for the Kansas Women's Golf Assn. She also travels with Wayne in his travels for his company.

They have three children: Dale married to Karen and living in Phoenix, Arizona; Kent married to Dagmar and living in Denver, Colorado; and daughter Leslie Ann married to Jack Yraceburn and living in El Toro, California. There are three grandchildren.

Submitted by Betty J. Litton

### T.J. LONGLEY FAMILY

Ruby Lynne Daily Longley, daughter of Vera L. and Charlie Dailey, was born January 30, 1920, at parents' Lexington farm home. After they moved to Ashland, she attended grades 1-12, graduating magna and summa cum laude. She attended Emporia State College, majoring in Business Administration, followed by employment in Wichita, then Denver where she met and married T.J. Longley.

T.J., son of William and Pearl Stradford Longley, attended Denver schools, Colorado State College, Colorado School of Mines, Shrivenham American University, England, with post graduate work at Colorado University; served in European Theatre during World War II; spent several years in western states oil fields, then joined the Colorado Water Conservation Board from which he retired and started an engineering consulting firm. Active in Boy Scouts, Kiwanis, Ag committee, Horticulture Society, Club 20, Church Board, Professional Engineers of Colorado; peach and grape grower.

All three of the Longley's children attended Denver schools and Colorado State University at Fort Collins.

Son Thomas Stradford, born December 5, 1953, Casper, Wyoming, resided in Ashland in infancy with Helen and Dan Daily while his mother recuperated from thoracic surgery. After graduating from CSU, he was awarded a Rotary International Graduate Fellowship and received MS in Civil Engineering from University

of Melbourne, Australia. Tom is a Research Professor at the University of Idaho; he expects to receive PhD in Civil Engineering in Spring of 1984. He has lectured and presented research papers in Canada and several South American countries, and is

Mr. and Mrs. T.J. Longley, 1981



scheduled to present a paper in Interlaken, Switzerland, July, 1984. Past president of Idaho Ducks' Unlimited; enjoys scuba diving and flying.

Charles Steven, born January 31, 1956, Riverton, Wyoming, majored in busines and computer science. Chuck is an accomplished painter, potter and sculptor. He resides and works in Colorado Springs.

Patricia Ann, born March 15, 1957, Craig, Colorado, obtained degrees in Animal Science and Micro-biology from CSU; accepted job in California while awaiting appointment to veterinary school. Pat raises quarter horses; has brown belt in judo.

Entire family are enthusiastic outdoorsmen - enjoy gardening, camping, hunting, fishing and skiing.

Submitted by Mrs. T.J. Longley

# WALTER ALLEN AND ANNA DEVIT CURRAN LONKER

Walter Allen Lonker, son of William Malloy and Martha Ellen Moore Lonker, was born August 6, 1882 at South Haven, Kansas. He grew up in Medicine Lodge, Kansas and graduated from Southwestern College, Winfield, Kansas in 1901 from the Public and Business Administration School. He taught school for two years, then went into banking in Hazelton, Kansas.

Anna Devit Curran, daughter of Thomas Jefferson and Ada Macomb Curran, was born December 25, 1882 in Summersville, West Virginia. The family moved to Coldwater, Kansas in 1886. She graduated from Coldwater Schools. On October 28, 1908, she and Walter Allen Lonker were married in Coldwater and made their home in Ford, Kansas where he had organized the Ford State Bank in 1907.





Walter Allen Lonker

Anna Lonker

To this marriage two children were born, Mary Louise, who married George Elmore Broadie and Walter Allen, Jr., who passed away in 1936.

In 1915, he sold the Ford State Bank and bought controlling interest in the Citizens State Bank of Ashland, Kansas, where they lived the rest of their lives. He became a member of Masonic Lodge in 1904, Consistory and Shrine in 1917; Kansas Bankers Association Fifty Year Club in 1955. He was a charter member of the Kiwanis Club. Anna C. Lonker was a member of Chapter 316 BA, P.E.O. Sisterhood, was very interested in Ashland and worked diligently on the establishment of the Ashland Public Library. She and Walter were members of the First United Presbyterian Church.

Submitted by Mary Louise Broadie

### JOHN R. AND GAIL HOWELL LOWEY FAMILY

Meeting under circumstances much akin to a fairy tale, were Gail Howell and husband John Lowey. The setting was the mountains of Montana, on a blue ribbon trout stream. John, a fisherman from Ohio, was interviewed for a fishing survey by Gail, a Montana Fish & Game employee.

Gail, daughter of Vernon and Gloria Howell, was born February 15, 1954, in Manhattan, Kansas. Her early childhood was spent in several states, moving with her family as father, Vernon, was transferred by Cities Service Oil Company. In 1964, the Howells moved to Ashland, returning to work the family farm. Graduating from Ashland High in 1972, she continued her education at Dodge City Community College and Montana State University, receiving a degree in Fish & Wildlife Management.



Mike, Katie, Susan, John, Libby and Gail Lowey, 1983

John grew up in Rocky River, Ohio. He graduated from Kenyon College in 1966. Following two years of law school he entered the U.S. Marine Corps, serving as an infantry officer in the Vietnam War. Prior to begining the MBA program at Texas Tech University, John toured the western U.S. It was during this trip that John and Gail met in Montana. John completed the MBA program in 1979. He is currently President of Llana Estacado Winery in Lubbock, Texas.

The Loweys have four children. Michael John (born 1969, Quantico, Va.) and Susan Carolyn (born 1972, Medina, Ohio) are John's children from a previous marriage. Katherine Ruth (born 1981) and Elizabeth Ann (born 1983) were both born in Lubbock, Texas.

Submitted by John and Gail Lowey

#### CLIFFORD RAYMOND AND MARJORIE WILSON LOWRY

Clifford Raymond Lowry was born to John Clifton Lowry and Elizabeth Edwards Lowry, October 11, 1912 at Englewood, Kansas. He spent his life in Englewood, going to school there and graduating from Englewood High School in 1931.

He had his own business, a filling station, in Englewood for a few years. He married Marjorie Lee Wilson, daughter of William Stacy Wilson and Grace Hilyard Wilson, January 12, 1936. He worked as a mechanic for Burns Implement Co. for a few years and Marjorie worked for Stockgrowers State Bank. He then opened a Sinclair service station in Ashland, later changed to Continental Oil and was a jobber for 12 years. He sold his busi-

### CINDY AND DENNIS MABRY

Cindy Hensley, daughter of Tom and Claudette Hensley, and Dennis Mabry, of Forest Lake, Minnesota, were married in Fritch, Texas, June 26, 1980. They later moved to Hugo, Minnesota, where Cindy is employed as a nursery school teacher and Dennis is employed by a pre-cast concrete company.

Submitted by Cindy Hensley Mabry

#### FRANCES (BOOTH) MAGNUSON

I was born February 17, 1931 to Fred C. and Myrtle Winn Booth on the farm east of Ashland. I was welcomed by three brothers, Bill, Tom and Glenn. That same morning I arrived, my dad had a cow who had a calf. He asked the boys which they would rather have--Bill and Tom picked the calf, and Glenn picked me. Years later when I tried to obtain my birth certificate, I found not only was the date wrong, but I was also listed as a boy! My mother said after four boys, guess Doc Jones never looked--just figured it was another boy.

We attended the Christian Church and my first Sunday School teacher was Ada Zimmerman. I can remember her telling our lessons in the big sand box. I attended all twelve years in the Ashland schools. I was in the first grade when we moved into the new grade school. After graduation, I worked as a telephone operator for Western Light and Telephone Co.

In 1951, I came to Wichita where I worked for Addressagraph Corp. I met John Magnuson, an Air Force Sgt. stationed at Forbes AFB, Topeka. He was born on a farm near Luck, Wisconsin. John made the Air Force his career, retiring after 20 years of service. We had tours of duty at Tripoli, Lybia, North Africa, Travis AFB, California, Washington, D.C. International Airport, Dover AFB, Delaware, Ismir, Turkey, and McCord AFB, Tacoma, Washington.

While serving at Dover AFB, we adopted two sisters, DeAnna Mauree, who was 3½ years old, and Elizabeth Sue, who was 1 year old. They both live here in Wichita. Beth is married to Victor Stamm and they have three children, Heather Mauree, Christopher Wayne and Candice Sue.

John has been employed for ten years at Coleman Co. and I have worked at Jack Smith Shoe Shop for over six years.

Submitted by Frances Magnuson

#### DONALD D. AND KAREN L. MARIS

Don Maris, the eldest of four children of Raleigh and Irene Maris of Protection, Kansas, was born on July 20, 1938 in Ashland. He resided in Protection with his family until graduating in 1956. Moving to Wichita, he worked at Beech Aircraft and joined the National Guard. He entered the Navy in July, 1957. He was stationed in various places in the states along with time in Hawaii, Alaska, Okinawa and Japan. Returning home in the summer of 1961, he began work for Ray Crosby at Crosby Phillips 66. He met and later married Karen Bowling on Thanksgiving Day, November 23, 1961.

Karen, Don, Kevin and Kelly Maris



I, Karen, was born the ninth child of O.A. (Ben) and Iva Bowling on July 20, 1942 in Ashland. I attended school in Ashland and graduated in 1960. In late summer I went to Wichita and enrolled in cosmetology school, returned home, after graduating, to work for Mary Fry at Mary's Beauty Shop.

On February 19, 1963, Kevin DeWayne joined the family. Two areas he found pleasure in during his schooling were vocal music and playing football. He began playing football in the seventh grade with not too much success as the team scored only one touchdown the whole year. Things improved to the point that his team was 1980 1A State Champs his senior year. Kevin resides in Ashland and works for Preisner Bros. Phillips 66.

Kelly Dee was born April 24, 1965. She, too, enjoyed vocal music, was a cheerleader for three years, homecoming queen, a member of National Honor Society and graduated Summa Cum Laude in 1983. She is a freshman at Dodge City Community College.

Don went into business for himself in 1965 when he purchased a backhoe and trencher. He also manages Elm Grove Apts., a 20-unit complex for persons sixty-two and older. Other business ventures he manages are a concrete plant, car-wash and laundromat. I work as the billing clerk for the City of Ashland.

As a family we have enjoyed many good times camping and skiing with friends.

Submitted by Karen Maris

# VANCE MARKLAND FAMILY

Vance Marion Markland was born in Leesville, Missouri, April 11, 1898, one of six children born to William David and Elizabeth Markland. Vance came to Kansas in the early 1920's and worked installing carbide lights in the area, later doing farm work. Vance married Mary Kathryn Blackburn, November 5, 1933 at Coldwater, Kansas. Vance and Mary Kathryn had seven children. Dean, of Fairbanks, Alaska and Maui, Hawaii, born October 1, 1934; Rochelle Moore Jones, Dodge City, born December 28, 1935; Yvonne (Bonnie) Campbell, Muskegan, Michigan, born December 13, 1936; Twilla Trease, Claremore, Oklahoma, born October 25, 1938; Marion, Matthews, North Carolina, born February 17, 1943; Glenda Howarth, Dodge City, born August 15, 1947 at Hayden, Colorado; Kathryn Jones, Hanston, Kansas, born September 17, 1948 at Hayden, Colorado.

Mary Kathryn Blackburn Markland was born in Yealton, Oklahoma, September 9, 1917, one of seven children to Jesse Benjamin and Ethel Blackburn. The Blackburns farmed the Robert Mayse place north of Ashland and west of Clark County Lake in the early 1920's. They moved from there to Hargille, Texas for 2½ years, then back to Ashland.

Vance and Mary Kathryn have lived in and around Ashland most of their married life, moving to Hayden, Colorado in 1946 Back row: Twilla, Bonnie, Rochelle, Glenda, Kathryn. Front row: Dean, Mary Kathryn, Vance and Marion.



Clifford Raymond and Marjorie Lee Wilson Lowry



ness in 1960 and worked in an auto supply store.

On taking a vacation to Grand Lake of the Cherokees, he fell in love with the country and took a job with Carthage Auto Supply, Carthage, Mo. in 1965 and Marjorie worked for the Bank of Carthage. They maintained a home at Grand Lake, moving there permanently in 1971. Ray worked at Grove Auto Supply and Marjorie worked for Delaware County Bank at Jay, Oklahoma and the Grand Lake Bank of Grove, Oklahoma. She retired in 1982 completing 35 years in banking.

While visiting in Ashland in 1982, Ray suffered a stroke and they moved back to Ashland to be near her family. The Lowrys are members of M.E. Church. He is a member of the Masonic Lodge and they both belong to OES.

Submitted by Marjorie Lowry

### EDNA LUNSFORD

David and Edna Lunsford homesteaded at Acres, Kansas, in August, 1917, where he was depot agent for Santa Fe Railroad. Their first home was two boxcars joined together to form living quarters and a depot for the railroad. They had three children: Raymond Lunsford, who resides at Acres presently; Betty Lunsford McIntyre, living in Ashland; and George Robert Lunsford, residing in Houston, Texas.



Back row: Pop McIntyre, Betty, David. Front row: DeAnna, Edna Lunsford, Catherine, Daniel, Kathleen

Edna Lunsford cooked in her home for work train crews, elevator crews, and harvest men, feeding by shifts. The fare consisted of large quantities of simple, home-raised food from the farm. After David's death in 1959, Edna moved to Ashland and cooked at the Ashland Hospital until her stroke in 1974. Though now confined mostly to her home, she is an avid quilter and has made many originally-designed quilts.

Submitted by Betty McIntyre

## GEORGIA McNICKLE LYNCH

Georgia McNickle Lynch was born in Ashland, November 22, 1907 to George and Hatta McNickle, their first child.

She graduated from Ashland public schools, attended Stephens College in Missouri and Kansas State University where she was a member of Pi Beta Phi sorority.



Georgia and De Lynch

In September, 1932, Georgia was married to De Nelson Lynch who was a graduate of Kansas State College at Manhattan, a member of Sigma Nu fraternity and a native of Claflin, Kansas. De served in the armed forces in the European Theatre during World War II. They lived in Ashland both before World War II and immediately following, then moved to San Diego.

They had three children: Beth Lynch Nelson, Canyon, Texas; Georganne Lynch Lee, Olympia, Washington; Michael De Lynch, Kansas City, Kansas. De died on June 1, 1953 while they were living in San Diego. Georgia died the following year, November 13, 1954, as the result of an automobile accident. Georgia was a member of the P.E.O. Sisterhood, Fort Supply Trail Chapter, D.A.R. and St. Joseph's Catholic Church.

Submitted by Anna Marie McNickle

# ROY E. AND FLORENCE (BIRCH) LYNN

Roy Lynn was born in Garden City, on April 27, 1887. At age 6 he made the Cherokee Strip run with his family in a covered wagon. Their first dwelling was a sod house on their staked claim near Medford, Oklahoma.

In 1920, he married Florence Birch, whom he met during his World War I service. Around 1928, they came to Ashland to operate the Ashland Ice & Coal Co. in partnership with Pete Simon. The company contributed to the comfort of the community during Depression and Dust Bowl years by manufacturing and delivering ice in the summer, and coal in the winter. After the plant sold in 1948, Roy worked for the City Light Plant. Humorous, kind and industrious, he remained active into his eighties, and died at Fountain View Villa in 1978.



Roy Lynn family in 1970. Roy, Florence and Florence Marie

Florence G. Lynn, a native of Kentucky, was born in Russell, May 28, 1896. She recieved schooling and nurses' training in Lexington, Kentucky and served in the Army Nurse Corps during 1917-18. After marriage, her family was her career. A special gift and hobby was sewing and needlework, which she continued until her death in 1984 at Fountain View Villa.

Daughter Florence Marie, born Norman, Oklahoma, April 26, 1922, attended Ashland schools, graduating in 1940 and attended Texas State College for Women, Denton, Texas. In 1948 she married Joseph O'Brien in Washington, D.C. They reside in Charleston, S.C.

Gerald Dean, a loving son, born April 22, 1938, died at age 17 in Enid Oklahoma State School.

Submitted by Florence O'Brien

when Vance worked as a carpenter. They moved back to Ashland in 1951 and helped operate the Ashland Laundry with Mother Ethel Blackburn, purchasing the laundry in 1958 and operating it until 1971. Vance did carpenter work and worked for Pine Oil Co. Vance passed away April 19, 1977. He enjoyed his family, friends and yard. Mary Kathryn still resides in Ashland and is employed at Ashland Hospital.

Submitted by Mary K. Markland

Kenneth and Joanna,

January, 1969

#### JEROME MARSHALL FAMILY

Jerome Uel Marshall was born in Dallas County, Missouri on December 30, 1902, oldest son in family of twelve of Peter B. and Nora Haddick Marshall. He attended school at a country school and college at Springfield, Missouri. As a young man he came to Ashland in 1925 to help in the harvest. He worked on many surrounding farms. Later he went to work as a mechanic for John Deere. After several years, he followed his first love, carpenter work, which he did until his retirement in 1968. He built and remodeled many homes in Ashland.

Ruth E. Minnick was born March 10, 1907 in Dallas County, Missouri to a family of seven children of James and Jennie Lind Minnick. She attended a country school. In 1928 she came to Ashland to work. She worked in several homes in the community. She and Jerome were married May 10, 1930 and have made their home in Ashland since. They are members of the United Methodist Church. Jerome died April 29, 1969.



The Marshall's children are Maxine, Kenneth and Joanna. They all graduated from Ashland. Maxine was born April 11, 1931 and is a licensed practical nurse. She and C.V. (Vic) Criswell were married December 18, 1964. Vic worked for the State Highway Department. Vic died August, 1983. Maxine lives in Buffalo, Oklahoma.

Kenneth was born August 27, 1932. He joined the Air Force in 1952 and retired after 20 years. He works for Michelin Tire Company. Kenneth married Betty Ensley, August 21, 1954. They make their home in Williamston, South Carolina. They are parents of Kenney Wayne and Vickie Sue Belk and grandparents of Jill Marshall and Danetha Belk.

Joanna was born February 28, 1935. She and Gorden Crocker were married November 9, 1957 and live in Laverne, Oklahoma. Gorden is a measurement technician for a gas company. They have three children, C.G., Rhonda and Dan. C.G. lives in Enid, Oklahoma and works for Sun Oil Company. Rhonda is in physical therapy school at Oklahoma City and Dan is in college at Alva, Oklahoma.

Submitted by Maxine Criswell and Joanna Crocker

#### KENNETH AND BETTY SUE ENSLEY MARSHALL

Kenneth Uel Marshall was born August 27, 1932, in Ashland, one of three children of Jerome and Ruth Marshall. He attended 1-12 grades at Ashland, graduating in 1950. After graduation, he



### Kenney, Vickie, Kenneth and Betty, 1970

enlisted in the Air Force in January, 1952. He served in the Korean and Vietnam Wars where he received two Distinguished Flying Crosses in Vietnam. He was also in a plane crash in 1958 which burned one third of his body and he remained in Brooks Army Hospital in San Antonio, Texas, for four months.

Betty Sue Ensley, daughter of Robert and Bessie Ensley, was born April 11, 1937 in Pelzer, South Dakota. She grew up there and attended Palmetto High School. She met Kenneth while he was stationed at Donaldson Air Force Base in Greenville, South Carolina. They were married August 21, 1954.

The Marshall's two children are Kenneth Wayne and Vickie Sue. Kenney was born October 14, 1955 and attended technical college for two years. He married Teresa Cummings of Greenville, South Carolina, September 20, 1979. They have one child, Jill Marie, born July 31, 1983. He works at Michelin Tire Corp. in Sandy Springs, South Carolina.

Vickie was born February 6, 1957 and attended secretarial college for two years. She married Dan Belk of Williamston, South Carolina, October 6, 1978. They have one child, Danetha Renae, born September 27, 1982.

Kenneth retired from the Air Force after 20 years. He has been working for Michelin Tire Corp. for ten years. Kenneth and Betty's pride and joy are their grandchildren. Kenneth's hobbies are boating and flying his own plane.

Submitted by Kenneth Marshall and Vickie Belk

### CARTER AND VICKI MATHEWS

Vicki Lyndel Mathews, third child and only daughter of Philip and Helen Arnold, was born June 25, 1958. She attended grade and high school in Ashland, graduating in 1976. Her college career began at Kansas State and later she transferred to Oklahoma State University finishing her degree there in Hotel and



Carter and Vicki Mathews

Restaurant Administration. Upon graduation, she moved to Ponca City, Oklahoma to work as Assistant Manager at Ponca City Country Club. It was in Ponca City that she met her husband, Carter William Mathews, Jr., son of Dr. Carter W. and Frances Harsa Mathews, who live in Ponca City. Carter lived in Tulsa where he works for the Oklahoma State Banking Dept. as an examiner. He and Vicki reside in Tulsa.

Submitted by Vicki Mathews

### DEAN E. MATTHEWS FAMILY

Dean E. and Helen W. Matthews moved to Ashland from Wichita, April 1, 1939. The town was virtually deserted that day 319

because so many were in Dodge City attending the premiere of the movie, "Dodge City." Arriving with them were two sons, Dean E. Matthews, Jr. and William B. Matthews.

Dean was employed by the Clark County Abstract Loan & Investment Company, Inc., which had its office in the basement of the Stockgrowers State Bank Building. He worked there until January 1, 1954, except for 28 months during World War II when he served as a naval gunnery officer in the southwest Pacific. Two months before he departed, Jon W. Matthews was born.

On January 1, 1954, Helen and Dean purchased the general insurance business from "Calico" and opened an office at 119 West 8th Avenue, the building now occupied by J.V. Severe. In September of that year they bought the Nunemacher Building at 114 West 8th Avenue and in 1966 the Taylor building adjacent to it. Both buildings were extensively remodeled to house the expanding business of insurance and accounting.

On October 1, 1973, Dean and Helen sold their local insurance business to Don Howell and the accounting business to Curtis Slaton. Two years later they retired completely from business and built a house at 615 Maple where they now reside.

Dean, Jr., Bill and Jon were educated in Ashland schools and the University of Kansas. Dean, Jr. resides in Seattle, Washington; Bill in Stamford, Connecticut and Jon in Lenexa, Kansas.

Submitted by Dean and Helen Matthews

#### ROBERT MATTHEWS FAMILY

Helen Elizabeth McCarty, daughter of Marjorie and Donley McCarty, was born February 1, 1949, at Dodge City, Kansas. Helen attended grade school at St. Joseph's Parochial School and graduated from Ashland High School in 1967, graduated from Kansas State University with a BS in Home Economics Education in 1971. Helen started a teaching career at Cedar Vale High School which lasted for 11 years and it was early in this career that she and Robert Matthews were married November 18, 1972 in St. Joseph's Church, Ashland, with Msgr. Leo Kelly officiating.

Helen, Jennifer, Robert and Rebecca Matthews



Robert, son of Doris Blan Matthews and C. Ralph Matthews, was born September 4, 1946, at Tulsa, Oklahoma. The Matthews lived in Sapulpa, Oklahoma where Robt. attended grade school. The family in 1959 moved to Cedar Vale, Kansas, where they had bought the local newspaper, *The Cedar Vale Messenger*, which they published for many years. Robert graduated from Cedar Vale High School and attended Kansas State University until joining the Air Force in April, 1966. He was stationed at SAC Hd Qtrs. in Omaha with finance. Robert served with the 366th Combat Support Group at DaNang, Vietnam from April, 1968 to dischage in December, 1969.

Robert and Helen are owners and operators of the Cedar Vale Hardware Store and the M and M Lumber Co. The Matthews are community minded with Robt. involved with Volunteer Fire Department, Ambulance driver and Past President of the Chamber of Commerce, Lions Club and the Library Association. Helen 320 is past member of K-NEA, Delta Kappa Gamma, Federated Women's Club of America and Sigma Alpha Epsilon, past president of St. Joseph's Altar Society of Cedar Vale, President of St. Joseph's Church Council and a member of Happy Homemakers Extension Unit.

Robert and Helen Matthews have two children, Rebecca Diane, born September 5, 1975, and Jennifer Elaine, born November 25, 1977.

Submitted by Helen Matthews

#### HARVEY AND SIBYL YORK MAUK

Harvey and Sibyl Mauk reside in Wichita where Harvey is retired from Safeway, Inc. and Sibyl is secretary for the Wichita Practical Nursing School, a division of the Wichita Public Schools.

Sibyl, daughter of the late Frank and Cora York of Ashland, attended Sitka schools and graduated with the class of 1941 from Ashland High. Harvey, born in Arkansas City, Kansas, moved with his parents to Wichita at age 9, attended Wichita schools and graduated from North High in 1936. Prior to his military service during World War II, Harvey worked for Beech Aircraft where he met Sibyl. They were married July 21, 1946, and were in the grocery and meat business for several years.



Mauk and Penn family in 1980. Harvey, Sibyl, Floy and Ben Their daughter, Floy, is married to Benjamin F. Penn, Jr., and resides in rural Augusta, Kansas.

Submitted by Sibyl Mauk

#### HENRY C. MAYSE FAMILY

"Hank" Mayse was one of Clark County's most active early developers. He came to Ashland from Missouri in 1887 when he was 28, and initially worked as a clerk in The State Bank under the tutelage of Perry Scroggin. In 1890, Hank was appointed Deputy Clerk of the District Court. During his spare time he studied law and was admitted to the bar in 1892, after which he was elected County Attorney. In March, 1895, Hank purchased the *Clark County Clipper* and continued as its publisher, editor and business manager until March, 1917 when his duties as Postmaster became so heavy that he chose to sell his newspaper so he could continue to serve the public. He was Postmaster from 1913 to 1924, after which he served several terms again as Coun-

Henry C. Mayse family, approximately 1938. Front row: Ronnie Johnson, Marjorie Mayse Dunn, Melvin Mayse. Back row: Roland Edgar Mayse, Henry C. Mayse, Helen Mayse Johnson, Hattie Mayse, Meredith Mayse, Richard Mayse and Wilburn (Bud) Mayse.

