



Muttentz Descendants, Inc.

Family Newsletter



Fall 2009

3rd Annual Heritage Day Another Great Success!

First, let me say "Thank You" to all the Spainhour cousins, friends and families that were able to make it to the Heritage Day Celebration. In spite of an early morning shower, it was an absolute success! We had an awesome attendance of 112. We had a great time and hope that everyone who made the trip had a wonderful time too.

Also, a special "Thank You" to the Heritage Day Planning Committee and to all the board members and other family for taking care of the desserts, and beverages. Another special "Thank You" to all who made cash contributions.

A big "Thank You" also to David, Betty, Francis, and Charlie Spainhour and crew for the great Bar-B-Q and hot dog lunch. We had a huge spread and everything was Mmm-Mmm-Good!

If any of our out-of-towners ventured out to any of the area attractions, please write and tell us about your experience.

Start making your preparations now for the 4th Annual Heritage Day Celebration. Plans are to have it Saturday, August 21st next year to correspond again with the annual Shore Family Reunion. Since our two families

have a lot of common ties we decided to coincide the two activities so that our traveling guests wouldn't have to pick between the two - you can do both!

Our thanks to Iva Ramsey again for providing the miniature horse, Jericho, and his carriage. Many of our younger generation were excited to get to ride the carriage again. The young and young at heart alike were all excited to make friends with Jericho.

Our Heritage Day festivities began with opening words of welcome from Muttentz Descendants, Inc. board member Linwood Davis followed by an opening prayer delivered by Hank Spainhour.

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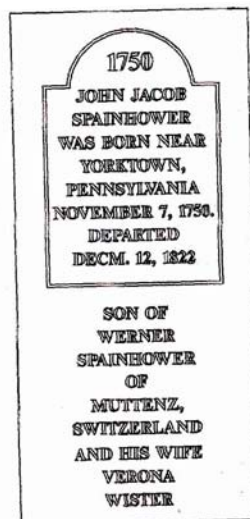
John Jacob Spainhower Cemetery Preservation Project - Bronze Markers - Funding Needed

Our current MDI cemetery project is to purchase and have installed on the perimeter of the cemetery, cast bronze replica markers of both John Jacob and Anna Catherine's grave stones. The bronze markers are "military style" and of a high quality, permanent material intended to last for decades and preserve the inscriptions.

The cost for production and installation is \$982.68 for John Jacob's and \$1,257.92 for Anna Catherine's. After contributions received at Heritage Day we are only a mere \$205.00 away from having enough to take care of John Jacob's.

In order to complete this project by next Heritage Day we will be devoting the net proceeds from the sale of the Muttentz Book (pg.5) to the cemetery project until sufficient funds have been raised. **Order yours today!**

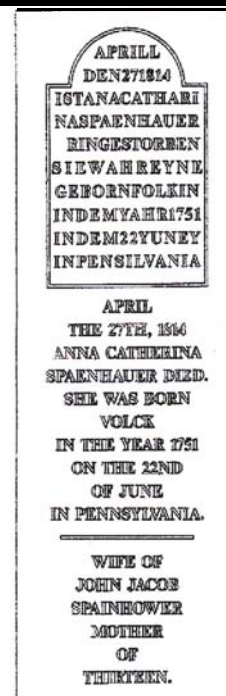
CAST BRONZE MARKERS



John
Jacob

TOTAL \$982.68

PRICE INCLUDES INSTALLATION



Anna
Catherine

TOTAL \$1,257.92

PRICE INCLUDES INSTALLATION

FROM **The History Committee**

@ www.muttenzdescendants.org

Early European Settlements in Western North Carolina:

The area of our discussion is that part of North Carolina lying between the Yadkin and the Catawba Rivers. On today's map it includes six counties: Rowan, Davidson, Davie, Forsyth, Stokes, Yadkin and Surry. This area lies within a kind of depression, bisected by a triangular-shaped ridge extending first from the northeast toward the southwest, then curving sharply southeastward to the southern border. Myriads of little rivulets, combining to form large creeks, flow from countless springs along the watershed formed by the ridge and pour into the two big rivers.

In 1700, this territory was described by explorers as a vast prairie of pea-vine grass and cane break where game abounded. There were flowery meadows where herds of red deer fed. This rolling land of North Carolina gave its Indian tribes -- the Tutelo, Saponi, and Keyauwee a good livelihood, and because the Indians burned the land each autumn to preserve their game reserve, the territory was only slightly wooded with occasional groves of oak and maple. These groves were not dense woods, because they tended to contain large trees, three feet or more in diameter, and so tall that you could not kill wild turkeys who were resting on their upper branches -- because that distance was beyond the effective range of hunting rifles in that time.

The Indian population of North Carolina in 1700 -- not counting the Catawbas on the southern border or the Cherokees in the far west (beyond the Catawba) -- has been estimated as about 5,000 and in that year, the European population of North Carolina was a similar number (less than 7,000). By 1740 there were about 10,000

Europeans in the colony-- but all of these were still living along the coastal plain.

The earliest European settlements in the western region began about 1737. Some scattered Scotch-Irish families journeyed down the Traders Path and chose spots from the Roanoke to the Catawba. The Indians were generally friendly and the steady caravans of traders were telling potential settlers about the fertile prairies -- teeming with game - and the streams full of fish. Some German settlers soon followed (about 1745) -- but it will be five more years before there were very many of them.

By 1746, a few settlers had entered the lands near the Yadkin, but there were not many, as can be seen by the fact that the surveyors who were running the boundary between the King's land and the Granville district that year had to stop their work because (due to the thin population in the region) they could not obtain enough food for their horses or for themselves. By the fall of 1748, however, there were enough settlers to justify the division of the old county of Bladen -- and create Anson County on the west side of the Yadkin.

By 1750, four settlements had developed in the western lands -- three near the Catawba River in today's Rowan County, and one near the Yadkin River in today's Davie County.

The Irish Settlement was located on the headwaters of Second Creek near the Catawba. By the spring of 1749 there were at about 14 families here, 23 at the end of 1749, and 170 in 1762. The area northward from there, between Third Creek and Fourth Creek was open prairie -- covered with grass and wild pea-vines - where wild deer and cattle would mingle while they grazed.

The Davidson's Creek Settlement was also located near the Catawba River about 12 miles southwest of the Irish Settlement. There were about 23 families there in 1749 and 52 by 1762.

About 1750 the third settlement in the western part was begun -- located on Fourth Creek near the Catawba River a few miles north of the Irish Settlement. This settlement grew quite slowly initially -- but 62 families were there by 1762.

The settlement in today's Davie County was formed by the Bryan settlement group. The "king-pin" in this settlement was Morgan Bryan. His large family settled on the south bank of Deep Creek 4 or 5 miles above "shallow ford" on the Yadkin. He earned well from trade with Indians. Of the early settlers (and perhaps the first one) in the Bryan settlement, the most interesting one was Edward Hughes. His land was advantageously situated on both sides of the trail which led to the eastern end of the shallow ford. That trail would become a road traversed by countless wagons in the years ahead. Hughes established a tavern at the ford, and it must have been very profitable because he lived there for more than 50 years. (He was probably 100 years old at death). Of course, there was another well-known family in the Bryan Settlement -- the family of Squire Boone. Squire's first land was a square mile tract along Bear Creek on the northwest corner of today's Mocksville. He arrived there with his family in 1751-52.

Except for the Bryan settlement, there is no indication of other Europeans in today's Davie or Yadkin Counties before 1752. Now in 1752 and 1753, remember that Heinrich Spainhour & Johannes Strupe migrated into New River, Virginia, and Bishop Spangenburg arrived in North Carolina to find

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Heritage Day cont'd

Next was a time for a "Remembrance and Introduction" recognition of the year's passings and births delivered by board member and resident family historian, James Spainhour.

Board member Linwood Davis related to the group some "Homeland History" information regarding the Muttentz Book that was available for purchase.

Next we were treated to a video slideshow presentation of photos from MDI president Verna Spainhour Brewer and husband Walter's 50th wedding anniversary trip to Muttentz.

We were honored once again to have renowned local historian, Robert "Bob" Carroll present with us and shared with us his certificates of recognition from NC Governor Bev Perdue and United States President Barak Obama proclaiming the surpassing of his 100th birthday.

Our own family historian, James Spainhour, gave a presentation on "The Early Settlements in Our Part of North Carolina in 1762" along with updates on other family research projects.

MDI board member and Vice President, Patsy Ginns, gave a presentation regarding the current status of our cemetery project with diagrams and cost estimates for the bronze grave markers for John Jacob and Anna Catherine's graves that we are working hard raising funds for.

Now it was time for what we'd all been waiting for - **FOOD!** So, after a gracious blessing delivered by Brian Brewer, we all found our place in line for a feast of Bar-B-Q w/fixins, potato chips, baked beans, hot dogs, and an untold number of dessert choices.

After lunch, we were all treated to a mini concert by gospel group, Solid Rock.

The remainder of the afternoon was left to socializing and reminiscing and looking forward to the next time. We hope to be able to build again on this year and continue to make each successive year better than the last. Please feel free to contact us with any suggestions you may have on how we can improve or with any ideas for things you'd like to see us do.

One of our goals as an organization is to continue to attract

the new younger generations and encourage them to take part and keep the organization going and growing. A big "Thank You" goes to Leslie Bray Evans (g-granddaughter of Effie Lillian Spainhour Moore), news editor for Stokes News and The Weekly Independent for printing an article in the August 26th issue about Heritage Day. Hopefully, this will encourage more local involvement and help make the organization and Heritage Day even stronger.

So, if you have a family member age 20 - 40 that may be interested but may not be aware of the organization, please encourage them to visit the website (www.muttentzdescendants.org) and see if they'd like to help.

- your editor

Now for some pictures - Thanks to Kelly Brewer, and Patsy Ginns, for providing some candid shots.



Left - Spainhower cabin and kitchen side view.

Below left - Spainhower cabin back door entrance with kitchen in foreground.

Below right - Spainhower cabin interior.

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Photos from top left - (1) The “Muttenz Clan” mingling at the picnic shelter - (2) Everyone enjoying the slideshow presentation of photos from Verna and Walter Brewer’s wedding anniversary trip to Muttenz last fall. - (3) Francis, Betty, and David Spainhour and crew feeding the lunch procession. - (4) Sisters Josie Spainhour and Cathy Spainhour Pierce with father Clifton Curtis Spainhour. (5) Just a portion of the hearty spread - two whole tables of desserts - boy our family can really cook! Yum! Yum! (6) Patsy Ginns and Robert Carroll with his letters of recognition for surpassing his 100th birthday. (7) Nick Hennessee peruses items at the registration table.





Photos from top left: (1) Cousins Josie Spainhour, Michael Dee Spainhour, Verna Spainhour Brewer, and Cathy Spainhour Pierce (all grandchildren of William Ernest "Bill" and Glida Spainhour). (2) Siblings Kelly, Erika, and Luke Brewer, grandchildren of Verna Spainhour Brewer. (3) & (4) Herbert Lee Spainhour and Leslie Bray Evans. Leslie's great-grandmother Effie Lillian Spainhour and Herbert's father William Ernest Spainhour were brother and sister.

MuttENZ History Book

Looking for a unique idea for a Christmas present? MDI has had a lot of interest lately from family members seeking a copy of the book Edith B. and Peter F. Spanhauer compiled and printed for the 1990 Swiss-American Reunion. The book was produced in recognition of the 250th anniversary of the Spanhauer voyage to America in 1740. This is a soft back, clear covered, spiral-bound book, 106 pages in length, containing photos, drawings, and early typewritten accounts of all kinds of statistics including geographical, climate, population, agricultural, educational, industrial accomplishments, etc. There is a chronological listing of entries from the St. Arbogast Church Books, detailed descriptions of ancient and medieval family life. The book is a grand account of the history and culture of our Swiss hometown and would make a great unique gift. The net proceeds from the sale of the book will go to complete the cast bronze cemetery marker project (pg.1). **Get yours now!**

MuttENZ Book Order Form

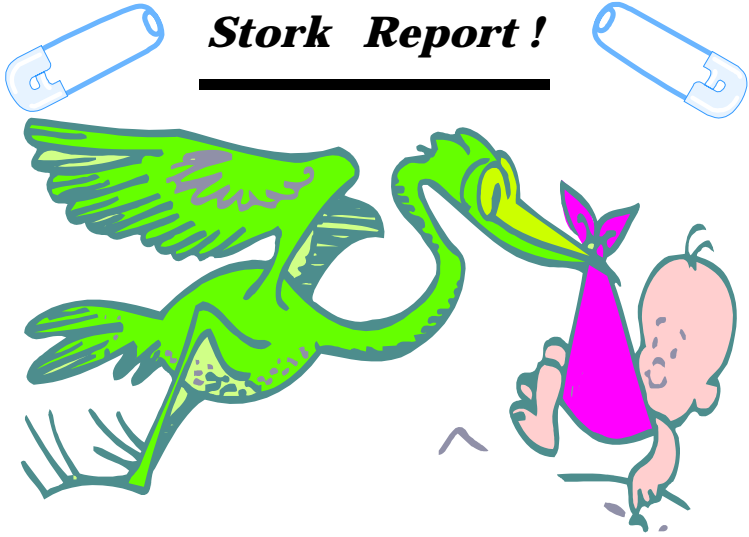
Please send _____ copies of the MuttENZ Book to

_____ @ **\$30.00 each = \$**

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Call Verna @ 336-985-0286*

In Honor of **In Memory of**

Stork Report !

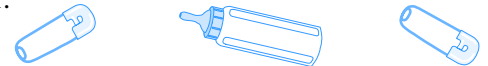


Introducing..... Brennen Chase Pierce

Brennen Chase Pierce made his debut August 31, 2009 weighing 7lbs 7oz and was 20" long. He is the son of Benjamin and Lindsey Pierce and grandson of Mark and Cathy "Spainhour" Pierce.

The photo above is of Brennen Chase and his parents Benjamin and Lindsey Pierce. The photo to the left is of Brennen Chase and his grandmother Cathy "Spainhour" Pierce.

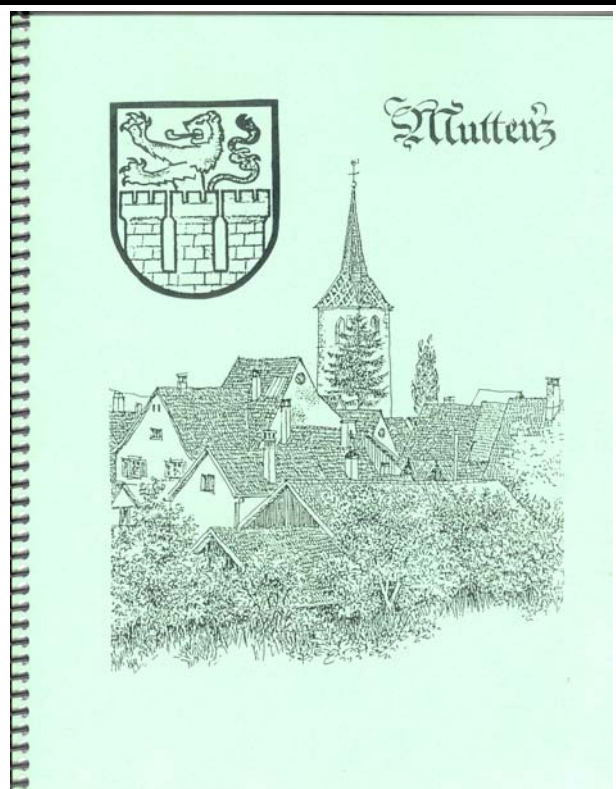
Brennen's family line is as follows: Benjamin Pierce, Cathy Spainhour Pierce, Clifton Curtis, William Ernest, John Henry, Martin Thomas, Johannes, Johann Jacob, Werner.



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Thank You!

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Honorariums and Memorials

"In Memory Of" and "In Honor Of" Donations:

John Shore

Martha Keiger

Patsy Snyder

Gregory H. Tuttle

Rebecca S. Tuttle

Marcelline Lockhart

Ann & Irvin Schlange

Tom & Carma Charping

Ellen Spainhour Kennedy

Harold and Frances Spainhour



Weeta & Clay Heath

In Memory of Sallie A. Spainhour

John & Jane Gehring

In Memory of Mamie Spainhour Keiger

Nelda Spainhour Brown

In Memory of Eugene Beverly Spainhour

Mary E. Seamands

In Memory of Irene Spainhour and

In Honor of James D. & Marquita Spainhour

Bonnie & Orlice Speas

In Memory of Hobart & Martha Vaughn Spainhour

Byron & Margaret Spainhour

In Memory of Marvin M. & Eunice Long Spainhour

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and survey the land which would become Wachovia. Within that Wachovia area -- roughly 150 square miles of today's Forsyth County -- they found only one family of squatters -- nobody else at all.

There were heavy Indian attacks against settlers along the Catawba River (by the Catawbas) between 1754 & 1758 which caused many of the settlers (almost half), including the Boone family, to leave the area. The Boones moved back to near Culpepper, Virginia and other families moved east of the Yadkin. While his family was staying in Virginia, Daniel Boone, returned to North Carolina and served in the militia during the war.

There were also attacks by the Shawnees in Virginia's Shenandoah Valley. These attacks caused the Spainhour, Strupe, and Shore families there to flee southward during 1755. They came into

the area of Town Fork--near today's Walnut Cove in Stokes County. The Strupe, Spainhour and Shore families moved to the Bethabara Mill in 1758, and then to Bethania in 1760.

In 1759, a road was cut between Bethabara and the area selected for Bethania. It is recorded that this task was completed in only one day -- something which could probably not be done today even with modern machinery -- thereby testifying to the very different open landscape that was here then. They could simply clear the brush and snake the road around and between the trees -- they did not need to cut them down.

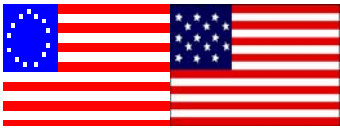
Between 1754 and the end of the war in 1762, there were almost no new settlers in this part of North Carolina. The Boone family came back in 1762. Another part of the Shore family arrived and settled near today's East Bend in Yadkin County during 1762. The

family of Werner Spainhour and the Fulk family -- with Anna Catherine (John Jacob's wife) also arrived here in 1762.

Let's note here that Daniel Boone was born in 1743 -- so he was fourteen years younger than Werner Spainhour and 17 years older than Werner's son, John Jacob.

Now we have a picture of what the land was like and how few people were here when the first of our ancestors arrived in 1755 -- and we see that a rapid flood of new settlers began to arrive during the later part of 1762. Many of these would settle near the Moravian settlements of Wachovia (for safety and trade) - - and in the area near where the boundaries of today's Yadkin, Surry, Stokes and Forsyth counties all meet. The next two generations of these early settlers intermarried extensively with each other -- so that about sixty surname families all share in the historical heritage laid down in this four-county region between 1750 and 1800.

- James Spainhour



Honoring Our Heroes



This section of our newsletter is dedicated to honoring our military heroes, by maintaining a permanent list of names. We begin by listing all known who served in the military of our country, beginning with the War of the Revolution, with details of their service, as known. Those who rendered patriotic service during the American Revolution are also listed with a "PS". They furnished goods to the Continental Army or the militia. All the persons below will only be listed by name and war in which they served except new additions will include details the first time they are printed. We hope this will help those of you interested in joining some of the historical societies and it may also give you information that you may not have had on an ancestor. Full information as below is, or soon will be available on our website. Names are alphabetical by spelling of last name.

The flags above represent the flags that have flown over wars in which we have had family members participate. From the left, the "Betsy Ross" flag representing the War of the Revolution, the flag of 15 stars that flew at the time of the War of 1812, the crossed Confederate Battle Flag from the Confederate States of America (CSA), and the current U.S. Flag representing the Federal Army of all wars during and since the War Between the States (Civil War).

Let us honor them all. Many of them made the supreme sacrifice while supporting our country and fighting for what they believed. To the right you will find the listing that we have to date on the

family heroes. Please send us information on your family that does not appear below, or contact me to correct errant information. If you would like to add a peacetime soldier, please feel free to do so. Remember to include all information.



New Additions to Military Heroes List

Everette J Spainhower
US MARINE CORPS
South Pacific - WWII

James Evander Spainhour
1st Sgt. US ARMY
WWII

David Wesley Spainhour
US NAVY
Korean War

Brown
 Stacy Korea
 Vietnam

Butner
 Henry Wolff (General) WWI

Dyar
 Annette WWII
 Paul WWII

John "Jack" WWII
 Wilmer Eugene WWII

NAME	WAR
<u>Hauser</u> Oliver Wilson Denson Gray, Jr.	Korea WWII
Willie Junior "Jeff"	WWII
<u>Helsabeck</u> Billy B., Sr. Carl N.	WWII WWII
Glen W. H. Fred	WWII WWII
John Henry Kenneth O., Jr.	WWII Vietnam
Kenneth O., Sr. Richard E..	WWII Vietnam
Theodore L., Jr.	WWII
<u>Hilsabeck</u> Frederick "PS" Jacob	Amer. Rev. Amer. Rev.
<u>Keiger,</u> J. Lee, Jr.	U.S. Navy
<u>Kiger,</u> Fred Oliver Robert Walter Ellis E Willis M "Wick" Fred O Roger W	WWII WWI WWII WWII WWII WWII
<u>Marshall</u> T. Wayne, Esq.	Desert Storm
<u>McGee (MaGee)</u> Harmon Bobby Gray "Crow"	Amer. Rev. Korea
<u>Moore</u> Robert A.	WWII
<u>Moorefield</u> Foy Odell	Korea
<u>Moser</u> John Michael	Amer. Rev.

NAME	WAR	NAME	WAR	NAME	WAR
<u>Newsom(e)</u>		Jacob	WBTS-CSA	Isaac H.	WBTS-CSA
C. Newell	WWII	James Evander	WWII	Jacob	WBTS-USA
Dale	Korean			Jacob Peter	WBTS-CSA
Elmer Pearson	Span. Amer.	John Martin, Jr.	Korea	James	WBTS-USA
Jacob Calvin, II	Amer. Rev.	Kenneth Hinkle	WWII	James H.	WBTS-CSA
Nicky	Vietnam	Martin Thomas "Tom"	U.S. Army	John C.	WBTS-CSA
		Michael	Amer. Rev.		
Theodore Windsor	WWI	Michael Reed	U.S. Army	John Henry	WBTS-CSA
Thomas Turner	1812			John W.	WBTS-CSA
<u>Portaro</u>		Ralph Alexander	WWI	Lot L.	WBTS-USA
Daniel Alan	Vietnam	Ralph Alex., Jr.	WWII	Marquis D. L..	WBTS-USA
Sam Anthony	WWII				
<u>Shore</u>		Richard P., Maj.	U.S. Army	Robert	WBTS-CSA
Ezra Eugene	US. Army	Richard	USAF	Rufus	WBTS-CSA
Floyd Granville	Korea	Rober Lee	WWI	Samuel	1812
		Robert	WBTS-CSA	William	WBTS-CSA
James Henry	WBTS-CSA	Robert D.	WWII	William M.	WBTS-USA
Thomas E.	WWII	Sanford E.	WBTS-CSA	William M.	WBTS-USA
<u>Spainhouer</u>		Solomon	WBTS-CSA	<u>Spanhauer</u>	
Freddie Philmon	WWII & Korea	Solomon	WBTS-CSA	Christian	WBTS-USA
<u>Spainhour</u>		Thamer Elmo	WWII	J. Jacob "PS"	Amer. Rev.
Allen	WBTS-USA	Troy Leroy	WWII	Werner "PS"	Amer. Rev.
Byron	WWII				
Carroll D.	WWII	W. Erwin	Vietnam	<u>Spoenhauer</u>	
Charles E.	WWI	Walter J., Jr.	Vietnam	Heinrich	Amer. Rev
Charles Joseph	WWII	William	WBTS-CSA	<u>Spoonhour</u>	
Charles T.	USAF - WV	William Alton	US Army	Clarence	WBTS-USA
	Air Nat Gd			David	WBTS-USA
David	1812	William McKinley	WWI	Jacob	WBTS-USA
David H	Vietnam	William S.	Vietnam		
		William W.	WBTS-CSA	Solomon	WBTS-USA
David Lee	USAF	<u>Spainhourd</u>		Solomon	WBTS-USA
David Wesley	Korea	Carl	WWII		
		<u>Spainhoward</u>		<u>Spoonhower</u>	
Dempsey	Korean	Daniel	WBTS-USA	Benjamin	WBTS-USA
Early	WWII	<u>Spainhower</u>			
Edwin S.	WWII	Eugene Beverly	WWI	<u>Tesh</u>	
Everette J.	WWII	C.T.	WBTS-CSA	Clyde Aaron	WWII
Fred Odell, Sr.	WWII	Clarence L.	WWI		
Harold	WWII	Clayton Marqui	Vietnam	<u>Tuttle</u>	
Harrison	WBTS-USA	David	WBTS-USA	Michael	Vietnam
Henry	1812	Eugene E.	WBTS-USA	<u>Volck</u>	
Hershel	Span. Amer.	Everett J.	WWII	Andreas "PS"	Amer. Rev.
Howard	WWII	George E.	WBTS-USA	<u>Watson</u>	
J.A.	WBTS-CSA	Henry	WBTS-USA	Kenneth Clyde	WWII
		Henry C.	WBTS-USA	Kenneth Gary	Korea
Jack Bryan	WWII				

In Memory of Family and Friends

MILLS - Ruby Hattie Spainhour James Mills departed this life 11:20 a. m. Sunday July 26, 2009. Ruby was the last surviving child of Hattie Macon Wills Spainhour and Ralph Harrington Spainhour. She is survived by her son, William L. Mills, III and grandson William L. Mills, IV. Ruby was preceded in death by her husbands 1st Lt. Clifford L. James USMC and Major. William L. Mills, Jr., AUS. In addition to her descendants, Ruby is survived by numerous nieces and nephews. She will be remembered by her family as having a kind and compassionate nature. Ruby grew up in Burke County, North Carolina, and attended Mitchell and Flora McDonald Colleges where she earned her B. A. Following the loss of Clifford in a combat operation in the Pacific Theater in April of 1945, Ruby obtained her M.A. in early childhood education at the University of North Carolina. Ruby taught first grade at the Elisabeth Avenue elementary school in Charlotte until she married Mr. Mills in March of 1953. Ruby moved to Concord where she taught Sunday School at the First Baptist Church and was active in numerous civic, service, and social organizations. Among her other activities, Mrs. Mills was a volunteer for Meals on Wheels, the Red Cross, and the Cabarrus Memorial Hospital. For several years prior to her death, Mrs. Mills was cared for at the Masonic and Eastern Star Home in Greensboro, North Carolina. The family suggests memorial remembrances be sent to the Masonic and Eastern Star Home, 700 S Holden Rd, Greensboro, NC 27407.

BROADSTREET - Rebecca Ann Smith Broadstreet, 71, went to be with the Lord on Sunday, August 16, 2009. She was born in Forsyth County to Odell Clifton and Pauline Spainhour Smith. She was a member of Gospel Light Baptist Church and previously a member of Baux Mountain Baptist Church where she and her husband helped

begin and lead the AWANA program. She was a homemaker who loved her family, young people, to sew, make crafts, camp and travel. She was a member of the Stokes County Home Extension Club, helped start the 4-H Club in the Forest Chapel Community and the Southeastern Stokes Youth Soccer Association (SSYSA). She was one of the first employees of Walnut Cove Health Care and retired with 15 years service. She was preceded in death by her parents. Surviving are her husband of 55 years, Dewey Ray Broadstreet; four children, Karen (Wayne) Morton, Robin (James) Kiger, Randy (Sherry) Broadstreet, and Keith (Cindy) Pruitt; nine grandchildren, Kelly (David) Harger, Shanna (Adam) Spainhour, Tamara (Marty) Dodson, Shadrick Cameron) Kiger, Candice (Matthew) Vroom, Joseph Broadstreet, Tabitha (Conrad) Ladouceur, Noah and Gracie Pruitt; seven great grandchildren, Kallyn and James Patrick Kiger, Elizabeth Vroom, Abigail and Matthew Dodson, Elijah and Carter Spainhour; one sister, Brenda (Roger) Smith; one brother, Jimmy (Sue) Smith; two sisters-in-law, Jeanette (Bill) Dillon and Era Loftin; numerous nieces and nephews. Memorials may be made to the American Diabetes Association, P O Box 2680, North Canton, OH 44720 or Hospice of Stokes County, PO Box 863, Walnut Cove, NC 27052.

SPAINHOUR - Margaret Lenora Spainhour, 82, of Clemmons, died peacefully at her home on October 9, 2009 with her family at her side. Margaret was born on January 11, 1927 in Lenoir, North Carolina to the late Guy Hilliard and Willie Clay Ingram. She was the wife of Byron Alexander Spainhour. Margaret graduated from Mineral Springs High School and retired as a bookkeeper with Whiteheart Staffing. She was also employed at Indera Mills and Renn Enterprises in that capacity. Margaret was a long-time member of Beck's Baptist Church; was a leader for the Circle Two Group; the Girl's Auxiliary; and on the Fellowship Committee. Most of all, she was a loving and devoted mother, wife, grandmother and a dear friend to many. She loved

her flower gardens, dancing, trips to the beach and mountains, and caring for her home and family. Survivors include her husband of 64 years, Byron; a son, Douglas K. Spainhour of Pfafftown and friend, Dianna Hoffman; two daughters, Elizabeth L. Spainhour of Greensboro and friend, Stacy Street; Kristina S. Southard and her husband, Bubba of Pawley's Island, SC; one grandson, Bo Southard and his wife, Eloise of New York City; and her two sisters, Betty Whiteheart and Dot Tuttle and her husband L.A. of Winston-Salem and their respective families. The family is forever thankful to Margaret's 'round - the - clock angels, Teddy, Talkia, Sharon, Lucky, and Brenda. Additionally, the family is grateful for the support and care of Hospice and Palliative Care Center. A special thanks to Dee Wood who has been Margaret's close friend for many years. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Beck's Baptist Church or Hospice and Palliative Care Center, 101 Hospice Lane, W-S, NC 27103.



CHAMBLEE - Alma Novelle Williams Chamblee passed away on November 18, 2008 in Athens, TX. She was born October 10, 1924 to Lee

and Elsie Spainhour Williams. She was a member of Tundra Baptist Church of Canton. She attended school in Martins Mill, received her college education from East Texas Teacher's College in Commerce, Texas and California Polytechnic State University in San Luis Obispo, CA.

She embraced her roles as daughter, sister, wife, mother, grandmother, and friend with vitality and grace. Alma had a passion for life. She loved to paint, garden, make porcelain dolls, raise canaries, and travel the world seeing new places and meeting new people. More than these, she had a passion to help people. She was often one of the first to respond when there was a need in

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the community or in the family.

She taught school in Denver, Colorado and Arlington, Texas and for 20 years at Canton High School in Canton, Texas where she taught English and Spanish.

She was preceded in death by her parents; brothers and sisters and their spouses, Tilmon Williams, Henry Williams, J. P. Williams, Chester Williams, Carl Williams, Iva Lee and Bennie Henderson, and W. A. Corley.

Alma is survived by her lovingly devoted husband of 63 years, Adrian Chamblee, Athens; daughter and son-in-law, Kathy and Jim Haynes, Plains; 3 grandchildren, Nicole Haynes 26, Reagan Haynes 21, and Natalie Haynes 16; brother and sisters-in-law, Orsborne and Beth Williams, Cross Roads, Izora Williams, Canton, and Alice Williams, Garland; sisters and brothers-in-law, Ruby Corley, Corsicana, Mary and A. C. Corley, Rockwall, and Jane and Dean Phillips and Gladys and Don Godwin, of Athens; numerous nieces, nephews and many other family members.

Memorials may be made to Tundra Baptist Church, 2313 FM 1651, Canton, TX 75103 or Alzheimer's Alliance of Northeast TX, 211 Winchester, Tyler, TX 75701.



SPAINHOUR - Donald Gray Spainhour, 74, lost his battle in this life to move on to his heavenly life Sunday, July 26,

2009. Paw-Paw, as he was affectionately known, was a wonderful dad, grand-dad, great-grand-dad, and friend. When he was younger, he was the person we all called on for help. The grandchildren called him their personal taxi. We all remember the fantastic Sunday breakfasts he would prepare for us. Later, he cared for mom until her passing.

In recent years, dad found the thrill of the slot machine. He won a little, but had the time of his life. An avid NASCAR fan, he watched all the races, even in the hospital.

During his illness, daddy charmed the staff at the hospital with his gentle humor and kind ways.

He cared more for us than himself up until the end. He endured much suffering, yet never complained. He was special.

He is survived by his daughters, Donna Jenkins and her husband Steve, and Ramona Smith and her husband Donald; granddaughters, Michelle Gomez, Amber Kelly (Rich), Ashley Kelly (Kenny), and Aimee Jenkins (Bryan); grandson, Nathan Cook (Tara); great-grandchildren, Marisa Cook, Sierra Kelly-Hosta, Taylor and Tabatha Bauernfeind; brothers, Ernie Spainhour (Judy) and Ronnie Spainhour (Terry); sisters, Judy Mitchell (John) and Carolyn Harris (Jimmy); and many nieces, nephews, and cousins.

We would like to thank the staff at DePaul TCC unit for their care in the beginning of dad's illness, and the staff of Sentara Heart Hospital CICU for their care and support in his final days.

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