# Muttenz Descendants, Inc. Family Newsletter



**Fall 2010** 

## 4th Annual Heritage Day Breaks Record!

Wow!, what a great day! First, let me say "Thank You" to our guest speaker, Chad Tucker, our guest singer, Lisa Voss Hancock, and all the Spainhour cousins, friends and families that were able to make it to the Heritage Day Celebration. We had a record-breaking attendance of at least 154. We had a great time and hope that everyone who made the trip had a wonderful time too. We had several "first timers" from New Albany, IN. Always a joy to meet new "cousins"!

"Thank You" also to Heritage Day Planning and Decorating Committees and all the board members and other family for taking care of the desserts, and beverages.

A big "Thank You" also to David, Betty, Francis, and Charlie Spainhour and crew for the great Bar-B-Q and chicken lunch. We had a huge spread and everything was so tasty! Those Spainhours sure can cook!

Finally, a most special "Thank You" to all those who made cash donations or purchased items that were for sale. Donations are what keeps the organization going allows us to accomplish our heritage preservation goals.

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 plans now for the 5th

Annual Heritage Day Celebration. Plans are to have it Saturday, August 27th 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.

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### Tom and John Charping Visit Polokwane South Africa on Mission Trip

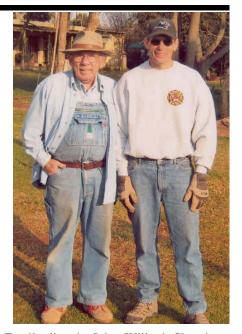
Tom and John Charping and 13 others from the First Baptist Church in Concord, NC left Charlotte on August 18th, arrived in Johannesburg South Africa on August 19th and finally reached their destination of Polokwane Africa on August 20th.

The primary purpose was to build the first phase of a new church. The church will become an epicenter for the spread of the Gospel and cultural development for the community.

The group was involved in many tasks such as assembling steel framing, installing corrugated steel roofing, wheel barrowing fill dirt and installing the ridge vent.

While they were building the church they attended a nightly tent revival adjacent to the building They visited orphanages, schools, re-enacted tribal villages, and the local game reserve. They spent the better part of two days and one night in the world famous Kruger National Park. Here they saw lions, elephants, black rhinoceros, leopard, cape buffalo and many other game animals, birds and eagles.

The trip was a huge success.....no one was injured or eaten by the beasts, no one ill, and a wellbuilt church which will stand for many years as a testimony to the goodness and love of God.



Family line is John Willard Charping, Tom M Charping, Bessie Spainhour Charping, Frederick E Spainhour, John Silas, John Frederick, Johannes, John Jacob, Werner.

# FROM The History Committee

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# Coming South Through the Shenandoah Valley in 1752

There are many different books that talk about this road and the impressions each book can give you about it can be very different.

"The Great Wagon Road" by Parke Rouse, Jr. records that the earliest settlers who moved from "Philadelphia to the South" traveled on foot with pack horses because in many places the path was no more than three or four feet wide as it passed through dense forests. Only the bare essentials could be carried. They had to make their own furniture, farm implements, and clothing, but crude iron utensils were traded or purchased from local blacksmiths. With them, there had to be cows for milk and pigs for meat.

Mr. Parke Rouse concludes: After about 1744, this "trail" slowly became a "road" as "civilization" spread southward toward the New River and beyond. The volume of settlers, Indian traders, soldiers and missionaries grew as the revolution approached. Their numbers were in the tens of thousands -- the most heavily traveled road in America -- though it was still a rough and torturous way.

Our question is: What was such a journey like when Heinrich and Elizabeth Lum Spainhour brought their family over this road to purchase their farm in New River, Virginia during 1752?

To get something of an answer, let's briefly review the flow of "civilization" down that trail south from Philadelphia into our Yadkin Valley area of North Carolina.

It was in 1716 that Governor Spotswood of Virginia led his "expedition" westward across the

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Warrior's Path" through
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that valley was not a safe place for Europeans to be at that time; but knowing of its potential to help ward off the Spanish in the South and the French in the West, Spotswood arranged a treaty in 1722 which promised peaceful use of the trail by both Indians and settlers. So, in 1722 the road south was declared open.

In 1726 Jacob Stover and Adam Müller led Swiss and German immigrants to form three settlements along Massanutten mountain. The last (Peak Mountain) was about ten miles east of today's Harrisonburg, VA. Lancaster County formed in 1729, and its seat, the town of Lancaster, was laid out the following year. Joist Heydt began a settlement near today's Winchester, VA in 1732.

### Fairfax arrived in VA in 1735

Thomas, the sixth Lord Fairfax of Cameron inherited from his mother Catherine, daughter of Lord Culpeper, a tract of land in Virginia.

At first, Fairfax wasn't much interested in this land in Virginia; but when he learned that this land was now in demand and might be worth a lot of money, he changed his mind.

His tract included the area lying between the Rappahannock and the Potomac Rivers. The problem was that no one knew where the headwaters of these two rivers were, and that defined the western boundaries of his tract.

Fairfax arrived in Virginia in 1735, with an order from the King to have the tract surveyed. Lt. Governor William Gooch appointed William Byrd II of Westover on the James River to head the survey project, but Fairfax didn't like Byrd and decided to employ his own crew. The issues between Fairfax and the Virginia Legislature were resolved in 1745. The agreement was that Virginia would accept the

Fairfax land grant, but that Fairfax would honor their minor grants to independent settlers already in the territory. He would, however, have the right to collect quitrent. The agreement allowed Virginia to extend its government throughout the disputed area and, of course, it was of critical importance to those settlements led by Joshua Heydt and Jacob Stover (and others) because these lay entirely within the Fairfax tract.

Fairfax placed Thomas Lewis in charge of his survey team. Lewis' father was a Scotch-Irish immigrant who had settled near present-day Staunton in 1715. His chief assistant was Peter Jefferson, descendant of a lowland Virginia family who had moved upland into Albemarle County. Peter Jefferson's son Thomas wrote the American Declaration of Independence.

Beginning their survey near the Rappahannock River headwaters. Lewis' team of 40 men worked from September 1746 until February 1747. They found that the tract contained more than 5,000,000 acres -- most of northern and western Virginia. This area today embraces nineteen counties of Virginia and five counties in West Virginia. It covered several hundred miles of the Warriors' Path. Fairfax himself moved into the valley in 1737. On 10,000 acres he had reserved for himself, he built a house and a land office which he called Greenway Court. It was 11 miles SE of the settlement at Shawnee Springs which later developed into Winchester, Virginia.

Fairfax was a sour, pudgy, middle-aged bachelor who hated all women (he was jilted by a lady of rank), who lived "alone" (there were numerous servants and slaves), who entertained men friends lavishly, but who never allowed a woman into his house.

In 1748, he befriended a young surveyor named George

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# Heritage Day cont'd

Our Heritage Day festivities began with opening words of welcome from former Muttenz Descendants, Inc. board member Charlie Spainhour of Aiken, SC followed by an opening prayer delivered by current board member Linwood Davis.

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

Spainhour cousin, Lisa Voss Hancock, delighted us with a performance of a special selection of patriotic songs.

Our own family historian, James Spainhour, gave a presentation on "Coming South Through the Shenandoah Valley in 1752" along with updates on other family research projects.

Leslie Bray Evans, Stokes News Editor, was on hand to deliver the introduction for our guest speaker, FOX 8 Emmy Award winning news personality, Chad Tucker.

Chad delivered an intriguing and often humorous account of the "King" family and how their home came to be the namesake for the small town. Chad descends through a brother of Charles King of King's Cabin.

Chad also conveyed a story pertaining to a well-known American statesman who is also a lesser known King. Born Leslie Lynch

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King, Jr. he is a direct descendant of Charles King of King's Cabin. He is better known as Gerald Rudolph Ford, Jr., the 38th President of the United States.

MDI President, Verna Spainhour Brewer, presented a certificate recognizing that induction into the Arbogast Society had been bestowed upon Martha Keiger for her generous donation in support of placing the bronze markers in the Spainhower-Volck Cemetery.

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

The remainder of the afternoon was left to socializing and reminiscing and looking forward to the next time. We missed having Jack and Betty White of Kernersville with us. Due to illness in the family they were unable to attend. 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. 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.muttenzdescendants.org) and see if they'd like to help.

- your editor

Now for some pictures - Thanks to Verna Brewer, Patsy Ginns, and Jerry Newsome for providing the candid shots on the following pages.

### Honorariums and Memorials

Ronald E Tuttle

**Tom & Carma Charping** 

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



David & Demette Ginn
In Memory of David Newton Spainhour

Penny S Brandt

In Memory of Irene M and Ellis E Shore

Donald & Diana Arney

In Memory of "Donald D Arney and Rex Spainhower"

Randy & Sally Spainhour

In Honor of Jack Bryan and Barbara Croker Spainhour In Honor of Kaiden Leith Baker

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Photos from top left - #1, #2 & #4 - The whole Heritage Day group intently listening to the presentations. #3 - Our "cooks" at work. #5 - Special singer Lisa Voss Hancock. #6 - Stokes News Editor, Leslie Bray Evans gives introduction of our guest speaker.





Photos from top left: #1 - Our guest speaker FOX 8 Emmy Award winning news personality, Chad Tucker. #2 - Our Muttenz Descendants Inc. President, Verna Spainhour Brewer, presents certificate commemorating the induction of Martha Keiger to the Arbogast Society. #3 - "Good 'Ole Days" photos.





### Farewell To A Friend



**Herbert Lee Spainhour** February 8, 1916 - November 17, 2010

The atmosphere in the small town of King is a little less jovial these days. You see, the "Spainhour" clan recently lost one of our most colorful characters when he succumbed to stomach cancer.

Visit any of the breakfast hang outs for the "morning regulars" and you'll be hard pressed to find anyone who does not know Herbert Spainhour. He was always quick to greet - with a big smile and a hearty "slap" on the back.

Herbert was from the "old school". He believed hard work built strong character. Even at the age of 94, he was still working in his garden this summer.

Herbert's children, one of which is MDI President, Verna Spainhour Brewer, have memories of tractor rides, bulldozer rides, the smell of tobacco curing, weiner roasts at the tobacco barn, splitting wood, strawberries in spring, fields of grain in fall, warm fires in winter, and telling stories.

Speaking of telling stories, I would love to print some of your stories about Herbert in the next issue if you will get them to me. I'm sure there are plenty to tell and I'm sure the family would love to read them.

Please take a few minutes and write down some of your favorite memories or stories and send them to me by email newsomes@windstream.net or snail mail Lisa Page 5
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King, NC 27021.

### Stork Report!



### Introducing...... Kaiden Leith Baker

Lindsay Spainhour Baker and Leith Allan Baker of Nairobi, Kenya announce the January 25, 2010 birth of a son, Kaiden Leith Baker. He weighed 8 pounds, 2 1/2 ounces and was 19 1/2 inches long. He is the grandson of Randolph and Sally Spainhour of Burgaw, NC and Weston and Penelope Baker of Auburn, Maine. He is the greatgrandson of Juanita Herring of Burgaw and Jack and Barbara Spainhour of Lenoir, NC.

Kaiden's family line is as follows: Kaiden Leith Baker, Lindsay Spainhour Baker, Randolph Spainhour, Jack Spainhour, Joseph Spainhour, Thomas Spainhour, Noah Spainhour, Peter Spainhour, Werner Spaenhauer.





Health Update.... Andalyn Grace Heller

By Amanda Heller

After two prior miscarriages, Andalyn Grace Heller was born by February 19, 2010 to c-section on and parents Jonathon Amanda On May 27 Andalyn was Heller. taken to the hospital for a scheduled colonoscopy. It was supposed to be a same day procedure but the GI doctor perforated her bowel so she had to have emergency surgery. During the surgery, the surgeon discovered her appendix was

Page 6 was malrotated toward her back which he corrected. At November about 11 pm that night, she 2010

in the wrong place so he removed it

and he also discovered that her stomach

stopped breathing and they called a code blue to revive her....those few minutes felt like eternity and we were the most scared we have ever been.

She was then taken to the ICU where she stayed for two days until they were sure she was stable and then moved her back to a private room. They began trying to feed her on Saturday night with pedialite and then milk. After her third bottle of milk she began to get sick. Her stomach had completely stopped functioning and her intestines as well. She began to turn yellow from jaundice and swelled so badly she was barely able to breathe from the excess fluid. Her lab work showed enlargement of her liver and signs of distress on her heart. She was given a diuretic to help her deplete the fluid and she began to improve.

Thursday, June 3rd, after she recovered more from the bowel perf, it was decided that something was still very wrong so an upper GI was ordered which showed her stomach still

not emptying. The procedure to fix her problem involved cutting a new hole in her stomach and attaching a loop of the small intestine directly to the new hole. This was done on Wednesday, June 9th, and she went to the ICU to be watched very closely before they moved her to a room alone. As they increased her oral feeding this week, they weaned iv nutrition and stopped it completely Tuesday night. She finally started to have normal lab work and seem like her old self.... smiling and playing and being happy.

During the course of all of this, Cardiology decided that the stress on her heart has increased enough that they want to repair her tetrology the end of July or the first of August.

That is our latest update and what we have been doing. We are holding up okay...we are getting surprisingly good at living in a hospital...just very exhausted. Jonathan and I have an amazing testimony that God is seeing us through this even though at times he has to drag us kicking and screaming, ha ha.

# FROM The History Committee

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Washington, and employed George at age 16 to help more clearly to define his property lines. First settlers reached the New River area in 1740-1741 settling in the Horseshoe Bottom about five miles north of today's Radford, VA.

### A Trip Down The Warrior's Path:

November 1743, two Moravians, Leonhard Schnell, a German, and Robert Hussey, an Englishman, began a journey down the Warriors' Path from Philadel-Two days after leaving Philadelphia they arrived Lancaster (66 miles), and two days after that, they had reached York. Leaving Yorktown early in the morning, they crossed the Conewago River in Adams County. As they descended into Maryland they had three more shallow rivers to cross. Schnell carried Hussey across the last one, the Monocacy, because he was too tired from the 40 miles they had walked since sunup. (For humans 3 mph is a brisk walk -- 40 miles at that rate needs 13 hours.)

Along their twenty-mile hike between Frederick and the Potomac River, they saw only two houses, but could get nothing to eat because the householders themselves had no bread. They crossed the Potomac near present-day Harper's Ferry and spent that night in an English tavern. In upland Virginia, near present-day Winchester, they came to the inn of Joist Heydt.

When they reached the Shenandoah River, knowing that the next house was 24 miles away, they were reluctant to go farther that day, so they spent the night with an English family, who reluctantly gave them shelter. At first they were told that they could get no food and would have to sleep on the floor, but in the end they received something to eat and also a good bed. They paid and left the following day.

Often now, they encountered

areas in which the path was overgrown so that they needed to use a hatchet to clear the way. On December 2, they reached the Roanoke River on the boundary between Virginia and North Carolina.

Meanwhile, The town of York, about 25 miles west of Lancaster was laid out in 1741 but York County was not created until 1748.

# **Another Trip Down The Warrior's Path:**

The Reverend Ulysses S. A. Heavener (how's that for a name?) in his book "New River German Settlements", tells a little of another journey down this Warriors' Path. This journey involves the same Moravian, Leonhard Schnell, but this time his traveling companion is another German named Bradenmüller.

From Philadelphia, in 1749, these two visited a number of small German settlements in Maryland and West Virginia -- about where the state borders come together. Heavener describes these as the "edge of civilization" in this area, and notes that the next "edge" toward which the travelers were heading was 250 miles SSW at New River. Then they crossed the Shenandoah River Valley to visit those German Settlements at Massanutten Mountain and at Peaked Mountain.

Continuing their journey to the James River -- which they had to swim in November! -- they arrived at an Irishman's hut near present-day Fincastle, Virginia, where they were allowed to spend the night and have a meal of bear meat and johnnycake. From here it was a 30-mile walk to Jacob Harman's, who lived in Horseshoe Bottoms.

By this time in 1749, the German settlements along the New River had expanded to include the area between Sinking Creek (about five miles north of the horseshoe and about 10 miles north of present-day Radford) and Reed Creek (about 20 miles south of the horseshoe and about 15 miles south of Radford). There was also a Swiss settlement at Newbern on Peak Creek about 10 miles WSW of Radford.

### **ONE MORE JOURNEY:**

On October 8, 1753, fifteen Moravian "brothers" hitched six horses to their homemade wagon and headed south over the Warriors' Path. Crossing the Potomac at Watkins' Ferry they greatly admired the reddening of the maple trees along the Valley hillsides.

They paused in the little town of Heidelberg and stayed at the home of a Loesch family while the wheels of their wagon were moved three inches narrower so they would fit the ruts in the road. They made their first camp in the woods on October 12 --- Königsdörfer's hammock.

This group passed through settlement at present day Winchester, VA, then arrived at Augusta Courthouse, a village of 20 houses, (later Staunton, Virginia) on October 24. Their trip record notes that "here the bad road begins". It was uphill and down so that they had constantly to help the horses by pushing the wagon or by holding it back with ropes fastened on the rear. They crossed the Blue Ridge at Evan's Gap and passed Upper Sauratown, arriving at the northern border of North Carolina on November 13. They reached the spot which would become Bethabara, NC at 3:00 pm on November 17, where they took shelter in a small empty cabin which had been built and formerly inhabited by a German named Hans Wagner. Their report was that they had to cut the trail themselves over the final three miles to Bethabara so that their wagon could pass between the trees. They were thankful that their 400 mile trip required only six weeks. Page 7

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# Honoring Our Heroes



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### Heinrich's Journey:

Now we are ready to think about Heinrich's Journey. We will roll the calendar backwards one year -- so we are now talking about the fall of 1752. Land Companies brought settlers south in the autumn after the harvest.

The settlers would have traveled as a group assisted and led by agents of the land company. We now know that they could have used their farm wagons in 1752-- so they probably did.

Wagon trains can travel, depending on terrain, about 10 - 15 miles per day on average. So, they would be on the road for about a month if everything went well. The coming of winter meant that they must stay on schedule. To achieve this, the trip had to be well planned and well led.

Their wagons could not carry heavy loads, otherwise going uphill and downhill would not be safe. So they were still limited to those "bare essentials". Cows would clearly be needed for milk, but probably the pigs could now be obtained locally.

In some places there would be farms alongside the road. Perhaps a rider could be sent ahead and sometimes arrange the preparation of food for the travelers. This would save time and labor for them. At certain places perhaps they might be able to sleep in someone's barn -but some nights would necessarily be spent outdoors. And November nights could get chilly. Hopefully there would be a minimum of rain.

In 1752 Heinrich Spainhour has just turned 36 and Elisabeth Lum has just turned 33. Elizabeth delivered an unnamed child earlier this year. Their surviving children are Johannes (9), Maria (6) and John Henry (2).

The memoir of Elizabeth Strub says that they came to new river with Heinrich Spainhour. Elizabeth Loliger (now 22) was the second wife of Johannes Strub, (now 33). Both were also Swiss emigrants. The words "With Heinrich" suggests that these seven traveled together as a unit. Mrs. Stroupe could help Mrs. Spainhour with her two-year old, and the two men could work together in handling a wagon.

Walking would be better than riding the wagon -- at least most of the time -- but riding on horse-back would be needed by many -- especially women with small children, like Elizabeth Spainhour.

At their destination, the Land Company needed cabins in which these folks could live and stores available to feed them over the winter. The settlers would select the specific area for their new farm as soon as possible and begin planting in the spring and then build themselves a family cabin. The two families we know about, would both obviously need help clearing some fields and building their new homes.

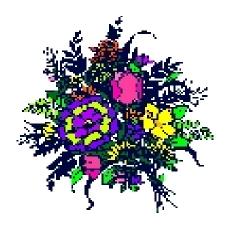
We know that Heinrich and Elizabeth bought their 90 acre farm in January, and moved into their new home on the south side of the New River along Sinking Run during June of 1753.

The Stroupes bought land near the Newbern settlement, about five miles south of the Spainhour farm.

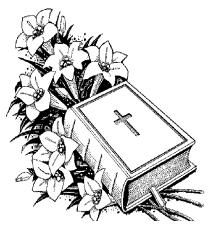
The Friedrich Shore family arrived at New River in November 1753 and bought 70 acres on John's Creek, about 15 miles WNW from the Spainhour farm. (On the north side of the New River.)

These three families lived here until mid 1755 when they escaped the Indian attacks by traveling south to Town Fork.

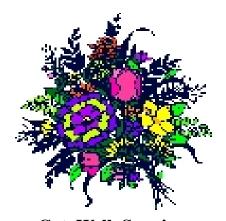
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**Happy 70th Anniversary** to Jack Bryan and Barbara Croker Spainhour August 31, 2010



**Deepest Sympathy** to the family and friends of Herbert Lee Spainhour.



Get Well Soon!

Best Wishes for a speedy recovery to Bonnie Watson Newsome and Beulah Collins Spainhour.

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# In Memory of Family and Friends

SPAINHOWER (nee Moberg), Joanne M., age 78, of Grove Heights, formerly of Minneapolis passed away 7/16/2010. Preceded in death by husband, Donald R. Spainhower; parents, Harry W. and Inez (Peterson) Moberg; step-parent Muriel (Grellong) Moberg. She will be missed by her children, Laurie Spainhower (Ron) Anderson, Scott (Carol) Spainhower, Leanne *Spainhower*(Kevin) Anderson, Lynne Spainhower (John) Maczko, Todd (Margaret) Spainhower; grandchildren, Bryce (Emily) Anderson, Ian Anderson, Cherie (Justin) Goyer, Christopher (Julie) Spainhower, Michael (Allison) Spainhower, Danny Schneider, Hailey and Tanner Anderson, Cassandra, Tiffany, and Kimberlee Maczko, Emily, Sarah, and Clifton Spainhower: greatgrandchildren, Alexander and Blake Spainhower, Jack Anderson; and brother, Bruce (Judy) Moberg. Service was held at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church 7600 Cahill Ave. E. Inver Grove Private family burial Heights. Sunset Cemetery, Minneapolis.

SHAMEL - Robert M. Shamel, 81, of Austin, TX died March 3, 2010 in Austin. Robert Shamel was born on May 6, 1928 in Salisbury, NC to Mr. and Mrs. Fred Shamel. He was a retired air craft mechanic and a United States Air Force Vietnam veteran. Survivors include one daughter, Roxanne (Kevin) Hutchinson of Austin; one son, Robert (Karen) Shamel of Bellingham, WA; one brother, John (Shirley) Shamel of Anderson, SC; three grandchildren and two step-grandchildren. A funeral service was held March 6th at Santa Gertrudis Memorial Cemetery with NAS Kingsville Chaplain, Mark Haley, officiating. Burial followed in Santa Gertrudis Memorial Cemetery.

**SPAINHOUR** - Herbert Spainhour, loving father, grandfather, brother and friend passed away at his home on November 17, 2010. He was born in Stokes County February 8, 1916 to William E. and Glida Garner Spainhour. As the oldest of twelve children he learned hard work, honesty, love of family and the joy of helping others. He was a farmer and co-founder of Spainhour Brothers Grading and Excavating. He worked the land that he loved until this fall. He is survived by two daughters; Verna Lee Brewer (Walter), Weeta Heath (Clay), two stepsons; Stephen Baker, Chris Baker (Marilyn) and four grandchildren; Brent Brewer (Jondra), Gaye Dye (Rick), Brian Brewer (Edie), Shane Baker and eight great grandchildren.

He also leaves behind four brothers; Robert Dee Spainhour (Faye), Clifton Spainhour, John Henry Spainhour (Rose), Kenneth Spainhour (Dianne); and three sisters; Hazel Davis (Alfred), Rebecca Wall, Frances Hill (Alvin) and many nieces, nephews and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents, one brother, W. E. Spainhour, Jr., three sisters; Gertrude Kapp, Jackquline Spainhour, Augusta Conrad. He was a member of Jefferson Church of Christ where his Memorial Service was held on Saturday, November 20, 2010 at 3:00 p.m. Visitation was from 1:00 p.m. until 2:45 p.m. prior to the service and again following the burial. Memorials may be made to Hospice and Palliative Care Center, 101 Hospice Lane, Winston-Salem, NC 27103 and Missions at Jefferson Church of Christ, 8200 Jefferson Church Road, Rural Hall, NC 27045.

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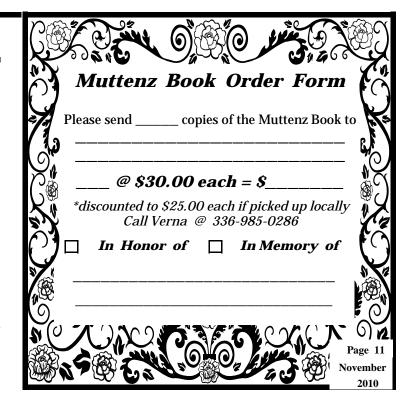
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