



Reno/Reneau Review

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2009 Reno/Reneau Reunion Staunton, VA Oct 9-11, 2009



The Reunion date is fast approaching! Brenda Rose of the 2009 Reunion Team has set up the venue at the Staunton Holiday Inn Golf and Conference

Center. There is a block of rooms set aside for the Reunion. The group rate is \$99.00 plus tax. Our group rate is valid for booking from 07-Apr-2009 through 09-Sep-2009.

If you wish to extend your stay outside of Oct 9-10, you will need to book a separate reservation on the Web site or contact us directly at Staunton Holiday Inn Golf & Conference Center at 1-540-248-6020.

You may make reservations at the Holiday Inn Website...holidayinn.com.

1. Select country, then type in city and state.
2. Click on Find Hotel.
3. The next page will give you a choice of three hotels. Click on the Golf & Conf Ctr, Staunton.
4. On the next screen, key in your arrival and departure dates (info is on the left side of the screen). Then in the Group Code, type in **ren**.
5. On the next screen, select the room type and complete your reservation!

If you prefer, you may make reservations by calling the Holiday Inn Reservation Center: 1-888-HOLIDAY (888-465-4329)

Guest rooms feature free high-speed wireless Internet access, free local telephone calls, 5 HBO channels, pay for view movies, irons & boards, hair dryers, & coffee makers. **Cafe-on-the-Green** invites you dine on a full menu for breakfast, lunch, and dinner. **Mulligan's Pub & Eatery** offers you a chance to unwind. For added relaxation, the hotel features a

indoor/outdoor swimming pool, fitness center & our guests have **golf privileges at the Country Club of Staunton.**

For RV travelers, there is a KOA Campground at Verona, VA. Shenandoah Campground is only a few miles from Staunton. It is located off exit 227 on I 81. For more information check the KOA directory, or on-line at <http://www.svkoa.net/> or call 540-248-CAMP, or 800-310-2580. Reservations are now being accepted for 2009.

More on the Reunion

DATES: Friday and Saturday, October 9-10, 2009

TIMES: Friday – registration (opens at 5:00 p.m.), visiting, sharing and copying photos and documents, and possible excursions...

Saturday – the meeting room opens at 9:00 a.m. for registration, visiting, and sharing of “stuff.” We have plans for information tables that you may want to browse. Entertainment, our business meeting, the silent auction, the raffle, and a wonderful 3-entrée buffet luncheon will take much of the day. That afternoon and evening there are many local sites that you might enjoy, as well as an on-site restaurant and Mulligan’s bar, with live entertainment on Friday and Saturday nights. For those who have additional vacation plans, leaving on either Saturday evening or Sunday will give you lots of options.

COSTS: Luncheon: \$28.00 per person; children 3-12 half price; children 2 and under free.

Complete the registration form on pages 3 and 4. Send to: Brenda Rose, 512 Locust St. Staunton, VA 24401

Thank you!

Many thanks to you for supporting this newsletter: **It is by your contributions that we are able to send the Reno/Reneau Review to so many Reno/Reneau descendants!**

Did you know that we send out 220 newsletters by mail, and 90 by email? The cost of printing a newsletter—8 to 10 pages—is about \$125.00, and the cost to mail is close to \$100.00 as well! We can only do this through your support!

A Letter from the Past

The following letter was sent to us by William Norris Reneau, San Antonio, TX. It was found among the papers of his grandfather, Isaac Tipton Alexander Reneau, Broken Bow, NE., and gives us a glimpse into this period in our country's history. William's Reneau lineage: Meredith Thurman Reneau, Isaac Tipton Alexander, Isaac Tipton, John, Charles Reno/Reneau, John Reno, Lewis Jr., Lewis Sr.

Pharr, Texas, 1/12/16

Mr. I. A. Reneau
Broken Bow, Neb.

Dear "I.A."

Now don't faint or think this is from a ghost for it is not, but from one that the Mexicans think is very much alive, though I have been reported missing & dead several times in the last two years, but so far have escaped any serious injury.

Have intended a great many times to write you to see how you & the family were but put it off, not writing to any one but the children. Often think of you & the happy past while sitting around a lone camp fire or on a trail, & wondered how every one is getting along, & if they have forgotten the "Rover," the Texas Ranger.

After Juanita married & I had no ties I took a long for my young life & the Mexican trouble started & I accepted a position in the Service & believe I have done some good, at least all those that know me say so. It is a grand life, plenty of exercise & excitement & every one you meet is either your enemy or friend, no half-way. If an enemy, it is good night, if he beats you on the draw & the best shot.

During my service I have been on the Mexican border all the time from the Gulf to the New Mexico line & I have seen some close calls & lots of funn. (that's what we call it)

Am inclosing you a picture of myself & my old bay horse. Hw is my Pal, & companion. With him I can lay down at night & no one can come near without him giving the alarm & put him on a trail & he follows it like a trained dog & a Mexican cant come near him without getting kicked or bit. He has quite a war record, he is the hors that Genl Blanco rode when he captured Rynose & Motamorris three years ago & I got hold of him. There is no end to his durability & speed & so far has only received two slight bullet wonds. He thinks lots of me. It seems he can scent trouble for it is due him that I have been first on the alert many times & didn't get mine.

Things have been in bad shape in this part of the border & is no better now, only just quiet and organizing to come stronger. We soldiers in this work along the border in the brink is a joke. The bandets go all around them in the brush & they cant trail them..

We killed so many for shooting at us across the river that the War Department requested our Governor to keep us away from the river, this came about after 6 of us killed 32 out of 50 for shooting at us across the river at Covasar Crossing. They were on the bank of the river when they shot the first volley into us, (about 300 yards) the last one of them that fell was about 600 yds. They started to running after our first volley when 6 of them went the ways of the wicked, might have got more of them but at 600 yards they got to the brush & we are not allowed to cross the river after them.

Well guess you are tired of that stuff, so will try & change the subject & speak of the country. This is a fine country, equal to California. They can raise any thing, the finest Oranges & Grapefruit I ever ate. This place is in the heart of the Valley & has the best Cannal System. It would be a better country if it weren't for the land Sharks robbing the home seeker's . I have often wished you would get to come down on some of those home seekers excursions & look the country over. It is a very cheap trip. We are eating all kinds of fruit now, right off the trees. Sure would love to see you & talk with you.

I was in Houston about three month ago for a few days to see the children & my Grand-son. (Did you catch the Grand-son?) You ought to see him, he is a hunter & thinks his Gran-Dady is the proper thing.

Juanita did very well, she got a good boy of good family & he & all the family love her. Her mother-in-law is foolish about her & and baby.

If this reaches you & you can find time to write me a few lines I would certainly appreciate it & tell me how Beutell & every body is.

If there is anything you would like to know about this country or any of these land Sharks I can tell you for I know the food ones from the bad.

There is a good many Nebr. people in this valley but non that I have met that know you.

Well, "I.A." will close for this time as I know I have tired you & promis to be more brief next time & write on subjects that will interest you. Also want to write to the children today. Just got in last night & am leaving for a scout in A.M.

With best wishes to yourself & all the family & hoping to hear from you soon I remain,

Your Cozen

TNReneau

(Pharr, Texas, Hidalgo Co.)

The two men were cousins—actually 3rd cousin once removed. I T's gg grandfather was Charles Reno, son of John Reno and Elizabeth Thorn Reno. T N's ggg grandfather was William Lewis Reno, son of John Reno and Elizabeth Thorn Reno. (John Reno and William Lewis Reno were brothers.)

Historical note: 1916 was the era of Poncho Villa in Mexico. As part of his revolt he wanted to provoke the US into a full scale attack so the Mexican government would fall and he would take power. Villa's forces caused many shooting incidents along the Rio Grande. Texas Rangers guarded the border and did shoot back. The letter clearly refers to border events of the period.

Genealogists Sue Damewood, Powell, TN and Leigh Wimberly, Leesville, LA provide some additional information about the two Reneaus:

Isaac Tipton Alexander (I A) Reneau was born Mar 11, 1859 in Thompkinsville, KY. The 1900 Custer County, NE census shows Isaac A. Reneau, his wife Clarissa, with 2 children, Meredith and Helen, living at home. He homesteaded on the South Loup River near Georgetown NE in 1884. He served four terms as postmaster. I A died Jan 20, 1952.

Thomas Nelson Reneau was born Feb 10 1868 in San Felipe, Austin Co., TX. He married Lillie Anna Bradshaw. The 1910 Harris County, Texas census lists T. N. Reneau, and his children, Juanita and Elmer living at home. T N's Reneau lineage is Thomas S. Reneau, James Butler, John Harris Reno, William Lewis, John, Lewis Jr., Lewis Sr.

RENO/RENEAU REUNION REGISTRATION

October 9-11, 2009 Holiday Inn and Conference Center – Staunton, Virginia

Luncheon Reservation for Saturday, October 10, 2009

Buffet Menu

*Mixed Green Salad with Dressings, Assorted Rolls & Butter
Grilled Ham Steak, Baked Chicken, Vegetarian Lasagna
Country Style Green Beans, Whipped Potatoes
Coffee and Iced Tea Chef's Dessert Assortment*

\$28.00 per person; children ages 3-12 half price; children 2 and under free.

Number of adult meals @ \$28.00 - _____ x \$28.00 = _____

Number of child meals @ \$14.00 - _____ x \$14.00 = _____

Luncheon Total _____

COMMEMORATIVE SHIRTS, HATS, AND TOTE BAGS

This year we will honor the 1688 arrival in Virginia of Louis and Benjamin Reynaud. The design is by Gary Rose, who gave us the sailing ship logo on previous items. All items this year will be Reno/Reneau Red!!

Cost per item is \$10.00 (plus \$2.00 per item for 3X and 4X)

Shirts: Put the number ordered in the blank before the size! ____YS ____YM ____YL ____YXL

____AS ____AM ____AL ____AXL ____2X ____3X ____4X

Number of **Totebags**: _____ Number of **Hats** (baseball-style): _____

Total # of items ordered: _____ x \$10.00 = **Item Total** _____

RAFFLE – Several Items being raffled this year = More Chances to WIN!

1 ticket for \$1.00 or 6 tickets for \$5.00

Drawing will be at the Business Meeting on October 10, 2009. Do not need to be present to win.

Number of Raffle Tickets: _____ x \$1.00 = _____

Number of 6-ticket sets: _____ x \$5.00 = _____

Raffle Total _____

Your Name _____ Name of spouse attending _____

Address _____ Names of children attending _____

City/State/Zip _____

Phone or E-mail _____ **Your Reno/Reneau lineage on the back → →**

Mail this completed form and one check (made to Reno/Reneau Reunion) to: Brenda Rose 512 Locust St. Staunton, VA 24401

My Reno/Reneau Ancestors

*My Reno/Reneau line of descent, completing as much information as available...
(Use the left column for Reno/Reneau ancestors and always enter the woman's maiden name)*

_____	_____
My Name	My Birthdate
_____	_____
My Father/or Mother	Name of his (or her) Spouse
_____	_____
Grandfather/or Grandmother	Name of his (or her) Spouse
_____	_____
Great-grandfather/or mother	Name of his (or her) Spouse
_____	_____
2 nd Great-grandfather/ or mother	Name of his (or her) Spouse
_____	_____
3 rd Great-grandfather/ or mother	Name of his (or her) Spouse
_____	_____
4 th Great-grandfather/or mother	Name of his (or her) Spouse
_____	_____
5 th Great-grandfather/ or mother	Name of his (or her) Spouse
_____	_____
6 th Great-grandfather/or mother	Name of his (or her) Spouse
_____	_____
7 th Great-grandfather/or mother	Name of his (or her) Spouse
_____	_____
8 th Great-grandfather/or mother	Name of his (or her) Spouse
_____	_____
9 th Great-grandfather/or mother	Name of his (or her) Spouse

We Remember....
W.D. "Mutt" Maples
Nov 6, 1916 – Mar 22, 2009
and
Mackie Lee Reneau Maples
Nov 29, 1914 – April 2, 2009



Mackie Lee Reneau and William Douglas Maples both grew up in Hunt County, TX. They were married in Caddo Mills, TX on Nov. 29, 1935. This special couple passed away eleven days apart. They had been married 73 years.

50th Anniversary Photo



l-r: Patty Bates Reneau, Eagle Creek, Oregon with Mackie Lee Reneau Maples and Mutt Maples.

Mutt and Mackie Lee attended the Reneau Reunion in October 2003 in San Antonio, TX. The photo above is a snapshot where Mackie Lee was identifying photos with no names on the back—Mackie Lee knew one of the "unknown photos" right away—it was a baby picture of her! The photo (shown at the left) had been sent to her Uncle Eugene LaRue Reneau in Portland, Oregon.



W.D. "Mutt" Maples, age 92, of Wolfe City, TX died Sunday March 22, 2009 at Smith Nursing Home in Wolfe City after a lengthy illness.

"Mutt" as he was fondly called, was born Nov. 8, 1916 in Clinton, Hunt County, TX to John T. and Ellie Williams Maples. Benton farmed in Floyd, TX, an area not far from where Mutt's family farmed.

Mutt was in business as a dirt contractor. The couple had three children: Betty Evelyn, Lawrence Douglas, and Bobby Glenn. Lawrence Douglas died in infancy. During these years Mutt was also active as part of the Wolfe City Volunteer Fire Department. He volunteered with the Department for 57 years. Mutt was a member of the West Main Church of Christ.

Mutt is survived by his wife of 73 years, Mackie Lee; one son Bobby Glenn (Linda); one daughter Betty Evelyn Smith; all of Wolfe City; three brothers, Dale of Wolfe City, Ray of Gun Barrell City, and Doyle of Dallas; one sister, Imogene Clayton of Red Oak; grand children, Glenna and Al Kelly, Cindy and Larry Oliver, Kyle and Tara Smith all of Wolfe City; and Robyn and Larry Underwood of Greenville; 15 great-grandchildren; and nine great-great grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents, two brothers and two sisters.

Funeral services were at 2 PM Tuesday, March 24, at First Baptist Church with Tim Sparks and Dr. Kevin Mitchell officiating. Grandchildren served as pall bearers, with honorary pall bearers Kevin Sorrow and the members of the Wolfe City Volunteer Fire Departments.

Burial was at Mt. Carmel Cemetery in Wolf City. Owens Funeral Home, Wolfe City, was in charge of arrangements.

Mutt's Reneau heritage is through his wife, Mackie Lee Reneau Maples: Benton G. Reneau, Barton Warren Stone, Isaac Tipton, John, Charles Reno/Reneau, John, Lewis Jr., Lewis Sr.

Mackie Lee Reneau Maples, 94, of Wolfe City died April 2, 2009, at Smith Nursing Home following a lengthy illness. A funeral service was held at 2:30 p.m. Sunday at First Baptist Church in Wolfe City with Dr. Kevin Mitchell officiating. Burial followed in Mount Carmel Cemetery.

Mackie Lee was born Nov 29, 1914 in Caddo Mills, the oldest child of Benton G. and Willie Amelia Sarrett Reneau. She married William Douglas "Mutt" Maples on Nov. 29, 1935 in Caddo Mills. She owned and operated Maples Washateria in Wolfe City for 42 years. Mackie Lee was a member of First Baptist Church in Wolfe City.

Survivors include one daughter, Betty Evelyn Smith of Wolfe City; a son and daughter-in-law, Bobby Glenn and Linda Maples of Wolfe City; grandchildren Glenna and Al Kelley, Cindy and Larry Oliver and Kyle and Tara Smith, all of Wolfe City, and Robyn and Larry Underwood of Greenville; 15 great-grandchildren; nine great-great-grandchildren; two brothers, B.G. Reneau of Ferris and Bill Reneau of Wolfe City; and one sister, Wilma Graham of Wolfe City. She was preceded in death by her husband in March 2009; one son, Lawrence Douglas Maples; her parents and two brothers, Weldon Reneau and Dwight Reneau.

Owens Funeral Home, Wolfe City, was in charge of arrangements.

We Remember....

Eula Mae Vickery

May 10, 1921 – Dec 22, 2008

Eula Mae Vickery was the oldest of four children who were born to John Floyd Vickery and Elizabeth Pauline Reneau Vickery. She was born in Clinton County, KY. Eula graduated from Clinton County High School in 1939, and then pursued her goal of becoming a teacher. She first taught in the Clinton County Schools, and then continued her teaching career in Alaska, adding enough years to retire from both districts.



Eula Mae showing one of her beautiful wood carvings 2006

Eula Mae spent her last years in Portland, OR. She loved showing her wood carvings, a skill she learned at her grandfather's knee. It was a special time to her when she could share her skills, especially with her grand nieces, Katelyn and Grace.

Eula Mae's Reneau heritage is Elizabeth Pauline Reneau Vickery, Ulysses Simpson Grant Reneau, Berry Jordan, John, Charles Reno/Reneau, Lewis Jr. Lewis Sr.

The following tribute, published in the *Peninsula Clarion*, Kenai, AK, shows the great impact this special lady had on everyone she touched:

Peninsula Clarion, The (Kenai, AK) - January 8, 2009

Deceased Name: Eula Mae Vickery

Former Kenai Peninsula resident Eula Mae Vickery died Monday, Dec 22, 2008, in Tualatin, Ore. She was 87.

Per her wishes her cremains will be spread over her parents graves in Kentucky.

Ms. Vickery was born May 10, 1921, in Albany, Ky. She taught school there before moving to Alaska. She spent most of her teaching career in the communities of Cordova, Wrangell, Seward and Kenai. She moved to Kenai in 1968 then went to Seward for a short time and before returning to Kenai where she taught for many years at the Kenai Junior High School (now Kenai Middle School).

"Her students affectionately called her Ms. V. She taught many subjects, among them social studies and woodworking. Her love of teaching and students is evidenced by the many individuals who ask about her today (years after retiring and leaving Alaska). She touched the lives of literally hundreds of students, each one a special individual to her. After her retirement from teaching, she continued to live in Kenai for many years until she left to move closer to family," her family said. "Special passions of hers were her wood carving, gardening, halibut fishing, Kentucky cooking, and traveling. A totem pole wood carving that she and her students carved sits at the entrance to the Kenai Airport. She taught many a student (young and

We Remember....

Violet Etoy Telford

Mar 17, 1928 – Feb 8, 2009



VIOLET ETOY TELFORD was born on March 17, 1928 in Bonham, TX, the youngest of twelve children born to Isaac Martin Henson and Lissie May Compton. She joined older siblings: Vernie Lucille, Ethel Mae, James Henry, Clara Bell, Vera Myrtle, John Isaac, Angie Elizabeth, and Clyde Lee. Three of her older siblings, Velma, Frankie, and Edward, passed away prior to

Violet's birth. Violet and grew up on the family farm in Bonham.

Violet married Walter Martin Telford Jr. in 1945. They lived in Hemet, CA for many years. The couple had two children, Roger and Joan. Roger passed away in 1975, and her husband, Walter died in 2001.

Violet's hobbies were reading, working crossword and word search puzzles, and playing games on the computer.

She lived in Hemet for 29 years. At Christmas time, 2007, Violet visited daughter Joan and family in Lancaster, and she made the decision to stay and live there!

Violet passed away February 8, 2009 in Lancaster. She was a long time member of the Valle Vista Baptist Church.

Violet is survived by 2 sisters, Vera Keen of Bonham, Texas and Angie Janeway of Rosamund, CA; daughter, Joan (Paul) Smith of Lancaster; 4 grandchildren, Cherlyn, Chris, Tim and Marcia; 10 great-grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews.

Visitation was Friday, February 13, from 6:00-8:00pm at Hemet Valley Mortuary, 403 N. San Jacinto St., Hemet, CA with a funeral service on Saturday, February 14 at 11:00am, also at the mortuary. Violet was laid to rest at Riverside National Cemetery with her loving husband, Walter.

Violet's Reneau line is Lissie May Compton, Isabel A. Reneau Compton, Jonathan Mulkey Reneau, John, Charles Reno/Reneau, John, Lewis, Lewis.

con't Eula Mae Vickery

old) how to use the carving tools. From her garden, she would share the bounty with all her friends. In her travels she would return having made lifelong friendships. She will be greatly missed and is also survived by special adopted family members."

Ms. Vickery was preceded in death by grand-nephew Adam Provencal.

She is survived by brothers, Bill and Ed; sister, Eileen Rogers; nieces and nephews, Sandra Provencal, Donna Vickery, Tom Vickery, Paula Vickery McCaleb, David Vickery, Michael Vickery and Diane Vickery; 13 grand-nieces and nephews; and numerous great-grand-nieces and nephews.

The History of First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)

contributed by **Betty Hadus Reneau**
con't from previous issue

The Albany First Christian Church, from its founding, has been an Ecumenical and Missionary group of people sent forth to practice and to teach others to practice the Gospel of Jesus Christ—to love God and to love one another. All are welcome to come and worship. It is cooperative within as all decisions are made by the majority of the members, including the calling of a Pastor/Minister. It belongs to the Brotherhood known as the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) participating at the local, regional, and world levels in its Educational, Evangelism, and Outreach programs. It gives to the several special Outreach offerings taken each year. It uses the materials for Church School and other things as the Christian Women's Fellowship, youth camp, and conference. Many youth and adults have attended camps, retreats, District, Regional and General Assemblies. It was most fortunate in 1947 to have one of the two Rural Laboratory Training Schools in the United States to train teachers for leadership in the local Church with Mrs. Mossie Wyker as the Inspirational and Worship Leader. On the local level, the Church supports and participates in the work of the Clinton County Ministerial Association with the programs of the special ecumenical services at Easter and Christmas, helping in the Hospital and Nursing Home Chaplaincy programs and worship services, some ecumenical Vacation Bible Schools, the Nursing Home ministry of giving lotion to the residents at Easter, holding special services for the community such as Maundy Thursday and Christmas Eve Communion, and participating in joint Cantatas. It has served the community as a place where various groups can meet. Music teachers have held their recitals, and previously the Lions Club met two times per month with the Willing Workers fixing and serving meals. Currently, Narcotics Anonymous meets one time per week, and Alcoholics Anonymous meets two times per week. In the 1940s, the youth of the town and country had a place to go for a recreation center—at the Church in the winter and at the Parsonage in warmer weather for tennis and volleyball. The Church gives world wide through the Love Gifts and many kits sent by the Christian Women's Fellowship; participating in the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life. Indeed the Church does reach out to others.

In its long history, there have been many Ministers who have served First Christian Church, some part time and some full time, along with those who have been Interim Pastors/Ministers. The beginning influence and source of encouragement in its early days was one of our Brotherhood founders, Raccoon John Smith. Others were Isaac T. Reneau, Dr. O.T. Ragland, Jonathan H. Young, Rev. Baugh, Bro. W.L.(Billy)Smith, (Grandson of Raccoon John Smith), H.C.Bell, Payton A. Canary, Rev. Sales, Robert Glenn, Kirby Smith, T. Howard Stark, Elbert L. Hanes, J. Ryan Nevius, Charles M. McKay, Gene Reynolds, William Cook, Lawrence and Evelyn Hay, Richard J. McLean, William D. Eises, William S. Latham, John A. Black, William M. Guthrie, Roger Hupp, J. Ryan Nevius and wife Eva (a second Ministry which was for three years), Bruce Merton, Phillip M. Nevius, Michael Welch, Glenn Clements, Charles and Linda Yarborough, Russell Westbrook, and Richard James.

con't next issue

We Remember.... Pauline Shearer Cole

Pauline Shearer Cole, 98, of Glasgow died Jan. 17, 2009, in Scottsdale, Ariz. The Monticello native was a retired English and Latin teacher with Glasgow Independent Schools. She was a member of South Green Church of Christ. She was a daughter of the late Addie Napoleon Shearer and Eula Cook Shearer and the wife of the late Charles T. Cole. She was preceded in death by three brothers, Jean Cook Shearer, Joseph Milton Shearer of Monticello and Dr. Ed Shearer of Arkansas.

Funeral was at 11 a.m. Friday at A.F. Crow & Son Funeral Home, with burial in Glasgow Municipal Cemetery. Visitation was at 3 p.m. Thursday at the funeral home.

Survivors include a daughter, Carol Ann Strong and her husband, Joe, of Scottsdale; a son, Dr. J.L. Cole and his wife, Claudette, of Tompkinsville; six grandchildren, Sarah Strong Dunn and her husband, Ted, of San Francisco, Dr. Veronica Cole Harrison and her husband, Johnathan, of Laguna Niguel, Calif., Lorelee Cole Stephens and her husband, Wes, of Tompkinsville, Deanna Cole Meeks and her husband, Chris, of Smiths Grove and Justin Cole and his wife, Rendy, and Erica Cole Billingsley and her husband, Mark, all of Glasgow; 11 great-grandchildren, Victoria and Andrew Harrison, Jordan, Megan, Lindsey and Cole Billingsley, Shelby and Graham Stephens, Tyler and Taylor Meeks and Britton Cole; a brother, James Shearer of Franklin, Tenn.; and a sister, Sybille Shearer Wilson of Pulaski, Tenn.

Pauline's Reneau heritage is through her husband, Charles T. Cole: Sarah Elizabeth Beard, Mary Bayless Reneau Beard, Isaac Tipton Reneau, John, Charles Reno/Reneau, John, Lewis Jr., Lewis Sr.

Seeking Information

Looking for the names of the parents of Robert Reno who married Mary Ann Hartman. They may have been from Arkansas and may have lived in the Shawnee Mission, Kansas area. If you can help me, contact suedamewood@frontiernet.net."

2007 Reunion Memories, Fort Worth, TX



Clyde & Rachel Day Family, TX

Clyde and Rachel celebrated
their 64th Wedding Anniversary at the Reunion!

We send out Birthday Greeting to Rachel as she celebrates her
86th birthday, April 19th!

Art of the Blacksmith & Smokey Bear Days

May 1-3, 2009

Lincoln County Fairgrounds

Capitan, NM



Terrell Perkins, Capitan, NM, writes to tell us about Smokey Bear Days in Capitan which commemorates finding Smokey Bear after the forest fire. Concurrent with the event, the **Southwest Artist Blacksmith Association** is sponsoring a Juried art exhibition for blacksmiths and metal artists as well as a blacksmiths conference. **The public is welcome** to see demonstrations of traditional blacksmithing skills and the work of modern blacksmiths and metal artists. (Smokey Bear Days in 2008 brought in from 5000 to 7000 people.)

While entry into the art exhibition itself is **ONLY** for metal artists, booths will be available for any **Original, Hand-Made, Quality, American arts and crafts**. We are especially looking for those that represent **Traditional skills**. Weavers, potters, painters, leather workers, quilt makers and glass artists among others will be welcome.

This is a **Living Heritage** show...we will NOT accept foreign made items, mass-produced or cheap quality items. CNC plasma cutouts and the like will NOT be allowed. All work should reflect some skills in a traditional art or craft. We will maintain a quality standard for arts and crafts that are entered.

Exhibition and Demonstrations

Saturday, May 2nd. Blacksmithing and farrier demonstrations for the general public will go on beginning about 9:00AM. After the judges have made their decisions, the art exhibition will be open to the general public.

Live Music

Saturday evening a cookout and music / sing-along session will be held in the rear of the facility. (or, in the event of inclement weather, it will be held in the arena) Those camping out at the site, and anyone wanting to join in, are welcome to bring their lawn chairs and musical instruments to play. Feel free to bring hotdogs and marshmallows to roast over an open fire.

Please contact Terrell Perkins (terrell_perkins@yahoo.com) for additional information about the Smokey Bear Days and Southwest Artists Blacksmith Association. Terrell also has a blog: <http://blacksmithscorner.blogspot.com/>.

Terrell's Reno/Reneau heritage is from his mother, Anna Reneau Chandler, daughter of Maynard Loren Reneau from the Francis Marion Reneau line.

Reno/Reneau Reunion Memories

2003 Reunion San Antonio, TX



l-r Don & Lou Matson, TX; Charles Reneau, KY; Betty Reneau, KY; Bennett Wood, AR; Linda Reneau, TX; Margie Wood, AR

More Reno/Reneau Reunion Memories

2004 Reunion Austin, TX



Visiting cousins from TX, OK, TN, AR, KY, OR, WA, GA, VA, and more!



Terrell Perkin, NM; Anna Chandler, Jackie Mann, Linda Moore, TX
2004 Reunion in Austin.

2006 Reunion Burkesville, KY



l-r Florence Reneau, Carolyn Shepler, Ned Reneau, Susan Westfall, WV



Jana & Jim Wojenski, GA



l-r: Sally Reno Eastwood, TX
Sue Reneau Damewood, TN

2007 Reunion, Fort Worth, TX



l-r: Eric, Matthew Conner, Shinn Soliel, Amber and John Reneau, CA

Come to Virginia in 2009 and make your Reunion Memories!