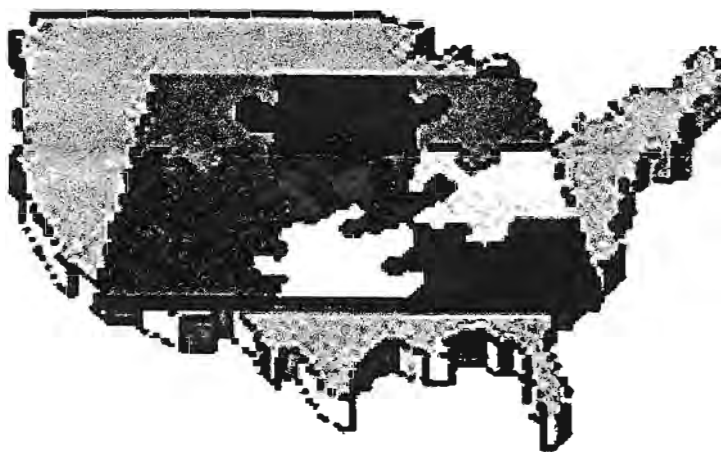


Vermilya/e/ea/er's...
Historically Speaking



"You are a piece of the puzzle"

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The Vermilye/a Family Organization was organized in August of 1995 . We have grown and learned and shared with one another. We continue to encourage your participation and your contributions to this newsletter. We are all part of one great historic family, a family which fought in all wars from the American Revolution to the present; a family which has helped to populate the nation; a family which, although rooted in Europe, can still lay claim to being ultimately "American." With all this research available, there still remain questions, perhaps even mysteries, and many, many yet-undiscovered relatives. With the phrase "Many hands make light work" resounding in our ears, we ask that you share knowledge of your immediate Vermilyea family origins, stories and history with the rest of our clan.



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Greetings!

Vermilyea Reunion 1999 at Rockaway Beach, OR was by all accounts a huge success. If you were there, you know what I am talking about; and if you could not make it, well you missed a special time. I want to reflect some of my thoughts relative to the reunion and then some thoughts on the future.



Now that the reunion is over, I can confess that there were times when some of us did not know if it would get off the ground. Yes, we worried about the slow sign up and the total count. Would there be enough people to cover the minimum needed? Some after signing up, had to cancel for one reason or another which created more concern. When you only use volunteer help, then you must be prepared to accept what they can volunteer and there were times when we felt more volunteer help was going to be needed. However, good people, too many of you would not let these fears become a reality. I will admit to having a concern, but in my heart I would not let those concerns get in the way of what I knew had to be a great reunion.

I try to find words to describe how happy I am about how this reunion turned out. Sandra always seems so thorough when she goes starts mentioning names and thanking people. I am sure I will forget someone, but the sincerity of my appreciation is still there. Thank you Linda Timler, Sandra & John Todd, Charlie Vermilyea, Valerie Bartchy, Jennifer Radigan, Elaine Sumrill, Dyck Vermilye, Judy Hill, Fritz Vermilyea, Dennis & Winona Vermilyea, James & Wilma Vermilyer, and thank you each and every one of you that attended to make this certainly one of the best reunions I have had the pleasure to recall. I want to thank the staff at the conference center for their efforts on our behalf as well.

The word is next year we may go to Minnesota or maybe New York. Where ever it is, it is bound to be a memorable experience. It will be that way because the people involved in this Vermilyea Family Association are truly family, no matter how you spell it. After everyone had finished eating and we went around the room allowing each person to introduce himself or herself and then say a few words, it was so emotional for me to listen to the comments made by so many different individuals. I cannot wait until next year and hope you feel the same. If you could not be there, then for sure don't miss the next one. They are special.

~Joe Vermilye, Pres. VFA

Last quarter's newsletter was missing some integral parts due to my lack of attention, specifically to where I put my downloaded information. These component parts have been included throughout this newsletter, and include an extra Treasurer's Report, Birthdays and New Members. So if you think you're seeing things twice - YOU ARE!
(But you're not going crazy - I am! ☺)
~ Joanne V MacA



*Members of the **Third Annual Vermilye/a/er Reunion held at Rockaway Beach, Oregon.** Attendees ranged in age from 1 to 82, coming from as far away as Arizona and North Carolina. There was good food and good sharing, new friendships made and old ones renewed. One attendee, Capt. (Ret.) Robert Vermilya met the other Vermilya he knew of when he did Navy training, one John Vermilya!*

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| Bartchy, Valerie Gann, Cloverdale OR | Todd, John & Sherry, Draper UT |
| Bockstahler, Judy, Arlington TX | Vermilya, John F., Greenville OH |
| Budd, Ruth Vermilya, Decatur IL | Vermilya, Robert S., Chula Vista CA |
| Budd, Ron, Eugene OR | Vermilya, Judith, Portland OR |
| Budd, Gary, Eugene OR | Vermilya, Alice A., Portland OR |
| Cannell, Carol Vermilyea, Shedd OR | Vermilya, Jay & Alma, El Cajon CA |
| Cedergreen, Jean Vermilya, Snohomish WA | Vermilya, Jay Jeffrey, Klamath Falls OR |
| Cedergreen, Crissy, Snohomish WA | Vermilya, Tom, Portland OR |
| Cedergreen, Jay A., Snohomish WA | Vermilya, Jeff, Klamath Falls OR |
| Cedergreen, Gretchen, Quincy WA | Vermilye, Joe & Linda Timler, Castle Rock WA |
| Dunlap, Patricia Rethmel, Las Cruces NM | Vermilye, Tom & Cynthia, Olathe KS |
| Gann, Beatrice Vermilyea, Hebo OR | Vermilye, Dyck, Corrales NM |
| Hill, Judith Vermilyea, Tillamook OR | Vermilyea, Silas & Betty, Portland OR |
| Himes, Richard & Janice Vermilyea, Shady Cove OR | Vermilyea, Cynthia, Salem OR |
| Hoffman, Bob, Lincoln City OR | Vermilyea, Kelsey, Salem OR |
| Jonnes, Beverly Bonn, Stillwater MN | Vermilyea, Fritz & Viola, Tillamook OR |
| Lamers, Antonette (Toni), Cloverdale OR | Vermilyea, Marion & Violet L., Tillamook OR |
| Massey, Penny & Alan, Kelso WA | Vermilyea, Raymond L., Tillamook OR |
| Massey, Stephanie & Shelby, Kelso WA | Vermilyea, Kathy, Salem OR |
| Mathisen, Bonnie Vermilyea, Shedd OR | Vermilyea, Carl & Linda, Keene NH |
| Mehigam, Judith K., Vancouver WA | Vermilyea, Sam & Jo, Tillamook OR |
| Miller, Rebecca Jean, Woodward IA | Vermilyea, Jack & Pat, Salem OR |
| Porter, Dale & Joylin Vermilyea, Tillamook OR | Vermilyea, Dale & Barbara, Vader WA |
| Quella, Susan, Rochester MN | Vermilyea, Dennis & Winona, Nehalem OR |
| Radigan, Jennifer, Reston VA | Vermilyea, Paul & Charlie, Springfield OR |
| Rethmel, Helen Vermilya, Alamogordo NM | Vermilyea, Dwain & Debbie, Astoria OR |
| Sarff, Jeff, Houston TX | Vermilyea, Darlene, Eugene OR |
| Sisler, Ed & Caroline Vermilyea, Thief River Falls MN | Vermilyea, Ryan, Eugene OR |
| Sladek, Linda K., Marysville WA | Vermilyea, Doug, Eugene OR |
| Smith, B. V & Doris, Winter Haven FL | Vermilyea, Fred & Sharon, Nehalem OR |
| Smith, Bob & Terry, Reno NV | Vermilyea, Samatha, Michelle & James, Tillamook OR |
| Stephenson, Wally & Joine Vermilyea, Kent WA | Vermilyea, Fred Charles, Nehalem OR |
| Sumrill, Elaine, Vancouver WA | Vermilyer, James & Wilma, San Juan Bautista CA |
| Todd, John & Sandra Vermilyea, Holly Springs NC | Vermilyer, George L., Marina CA |

SUCCESS STORIES

I recently removed the following families that were listed in the Unidentified section of the Vermilyea Family:

Page 411 - ARKANSAS; James H. Vermilye. I have been researching this family for several years, and finally have the information needed to confirm my suspicions. This is **James Hustis Vermilye #373**. The break came when I requested information from a Lookup Volunteer in Randolph County, Arkansas. She found a write up in the HISTORY OF RANDOLPH COUNTY, *The History of Randolph County, Arkansas*, compiled by Regina Cook, Project Director, with the assistance of Euple Riney, Ruthan Riney, Nancy Riney, Bea Hearn & Jamie Cook, published by Curtis Media Corporation, 1992. A write up by Kim Cochran, a Maynard High School student, for the Vermilye family noted that her great-great-great grandfather was James Houston Vermilye born 1800 in New York State. This along with several other clues tells me that James Hustis Vermilye started a new family at age 58 in Pennsylvania, moved to Ohio, where at age 60 and 61, fathered two sons. The Military Pension File lists James H. Vermilye, wife Elizabeth filed October 3, 1894 in Arkansas, served Ohio, She died December 11, 1917. While I expect he died sometime prior to October 3, 1894 in Arkansas, since she filed for the pension, but can not confirm this. Lookup Volunteers in Randolph County tell me that during that time in their very rural county, that unless an undertaker was called there was a very good chance the death was not recorded. This was a common practice at that time. I have not been successful in searching his military records, however I expect he may have served for a short period of time in Ohio. The family moved to Arkansas sometime between 1860 and 1880 since he appears on the 1860 Census in Ohio and by the 1880 Census he is at Warm Springs, Randolph County, Arkansas. I can not locate him in either state on the 1870 census. At this time I have documented 68 descendants of James Hustis Vermilye, and there are many more.



With the help of James Hatch, I have identified **Abraham J. Vermilye** page 412, NEW YORK as the son of **Nazareth Vermilye** born about 1785 N.Y. married Mary Van Wert. I did not have Nazareth in my files. I went back to reexamine the early New York State census records and found a Nazareth listed on the 1810 and 1840 census in New York City. There is a N. B. listed on the 1820 and 1830, which could also be the same person. We know that his sons name was Nazareth Brewer, however there is no confirmation of his date of birth. Anyway, this has opened up a whole new family line that is going to be very difficult to identify. There are plenty of possibilities since there are still a number of males that could possibly have fathered children during that time frame which there are no records for. This is the information we have on Nazareth. Nazareth had 4 sisters: (1) **Hetty or Hester Vermilye-Kendal**; (2) **Mary Vermilye-Hileman**; (3). **Sarah Vermilye-Lawrence**; (4) **Emeline Vermilye-Whitehead**. Nazareth's children: (1) **Abram John Vermilye** born about 1810 died 1852 Williamsburg-Brookln, N.Y; (2) **William Edward Vermilya**; (3). **Nazareth Brewer Vermilye**; (4) **Mary Eliza Vermilye-Van Iderstine**. Any of these names sound familiar to anyone? James found this information in an old family bible, and writes: "Here's what I know from hand written genealogy notes written in 1903 by Maria Vermilya-Stevenson-Foster, my great great great grandmother. A lot of what was written was being sent to Mr. Henry Toler, a lawyer who was trying to reclaim New Harlem for the Original Patentees descendants."

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Thanks to Harold Kuebler ... Also Identified: page 413, New York, George H. Vermilyea is #968, *George H. (Henry) Vermilyea*, born July 18, 1896, died April 23, 1963 at Brooklyn, New York State. The information found on the 1920 census is either incorrect or for another George Vermilyea. There are plenty of unidentified George Vermilya/e/ea/er.

~Sandra



CORRECTION TO THE CORRECTION!!!! AND MORE CORRECTIONS!

My apologies to Stephen Glenford and Stephen Grant Vermilya. Page 353, Number 1898: Stephen Grant.

The chart from the last Vermilye/a/er Family Newsletter was for Gladys Belle Vermilyea Edmond, # 907. Thanks to Dyckman W. Vermilye, # 1320, for providing the Toler & Nutting letter from the last issue.



From Harold Kuebler.....

I visited the Westchester County Historical Society Archives this afternoon (February 1999) and while I could not locate the *Abraham Vermillie* Will that was abstracted by Pelletreau, I did come across his mother *Aeltje's* Will. It was printed in a series published by The New York Historical Society before the turn of the last century, entitled Collection Wills. What is so interesting about the find is that Altie's Will lists all of the children, and spouses of the daughters, witnesses and dates, as in Abraham's. It is obvious that Pelletreau made a mistake in his 1896 publication in attributing Altie's Will to Abraham.

This leaves us with the three sons, but without the daughters as presently entered for Abraham #6. Later Harold writes that he believes that the sons listed for Abraham # 6 could also be an error. This could account for the fact that no information has ever been found for #'s 12 -18.



BIRTHDAYS

- April 5 John R. Todd, Jr., Leslie P. Long,
- April 8 Bon A. Russell; Hillary MacArthur-Senediak,
- April 9 Dayl Stout,
- April 30 Jon Vermilye,
- May 13 Glenda G. Avery,
- May 16 Joanne Vermilya MacArthur,
- June 4 Madonna Vermilyea Stanovsky, ; Jennie Stout,
- June 7 Stephen Allen Burkholder,
- June 21 Carole Ann Vermilya Borkovec,
- June 25 Robert F. Smith,



Linda K. Sladek, (Descends from Isaac Vermilyea, page 416, Unidentified Section)
 Alice A. Vermilya, (Spouse of Carl Eugene Vermilya #1686) (Alice won her membership as a door prize at the reunion.
 Bev & Doris Smith, (#1167 -I)
 Jack & Pat Vermilyea, (#1524)
 Beverly Bonn Jonnes, (Daughter of #1516)
 Isaac Dyckman Vermilye, (Son of #1599)
 Vivian V. Vermilyea, (Mother of Linda Sladek)

BIRTHDAYS

May 26	Doris Smith,	
June 8	Bev Vermilya Smith,	
July 8	Dyckman W. Vermilye,	Joel (Joe) Vermilye,
July 13	Olive Vermilyea Miner,	
July 14	John Ware Vermilye,	
July 21	Edwin (Ed) Vermilyea,	
July 31	Faye Vermilya,	
August 9	Frederick J. (Fritz) Vermilyea,	
August 14	Lynne Andrews,	
August 19	Dorothea Vermilya Kuebler,	
August 29	Bee Gann,	
September 3	Janet Vermilyea,	
September 5	Gladys Belle Vermilyea Edmond,	
September 8	Alice A. Vermilya,	
September 17	Jim (Clarence) Vermilyea,	Caroline Vermilyea Sisler,
September 25	Paul H. Vermilyea,	
September 30	Tom Vermilye,	

PASSINGS

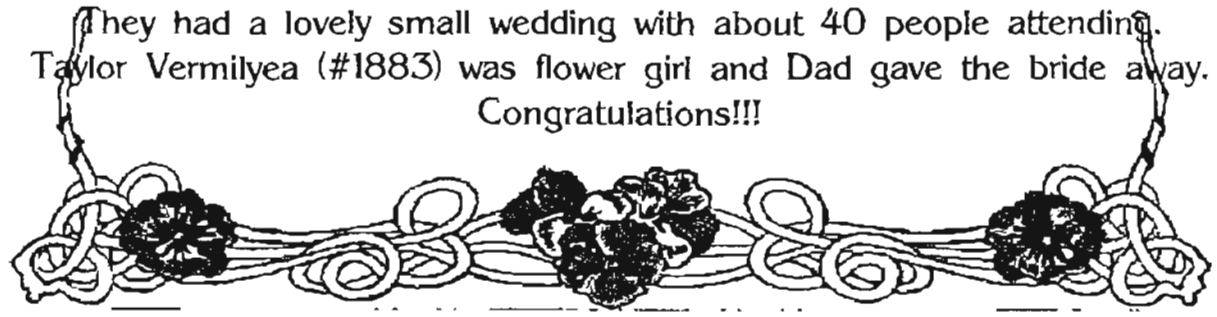
Word has been received from our member *Leslie P. Long* (#1361-I) that her aunt, *Dianne Vermilyea Peterson* (#1357), passed away on April 21, 1999.

Our member *Jim (Clarence) Vermilyea* (#1581) called to say that his mother *Catherine Williams Vermilyea* (Family #1284) died May 24, 1999 at Cheshire, CT, and was buried at the Dutch Reformed Church Cemetery, Hopewell, New York State. She was born July 19, 1906.

The father of Jim's wife *Cheryl*, *Virgil Winnie*, died May 21, 1999 at Accord, NY. Our condolences go out to Jim and Cheryl.

NOTICE Please check to see if you received the last issue of this newsletter (Volume IV, Number 2, APRIL, MAY, JUNE 1999). One copy returned back to me with no address label, so there is no way to tell who is missing theirs. Contact me by e-mail or regular mail and I'll send it out. Also, if you know anyone that joined the VFA or purchased a "Vermilyea Family" book at the Reunion that they have not yet received ask them to contact me since some of the names may be missing from my list. ~Sandra

Ed and Janet Vermilyea (family #1454) are pleased to announce the marriage of their daughter
Vicky Lynne Vermilyea , to Kelly Jones
on Saturday May 29, 1999 at the
Leonardsville Methodist Church. Leonardsville, New York.
A reception followed at the White House Berries Inn in Bridgewater, NY.
They had a lovely small wedding with about 40 people attending.
Taylor Vermilyea (#1883) was flower girl and Dad gave the bride away.
Congratulations!!!



The Vermilyea (Vermilya, Vermilye, Vermilyea, Vermilyer) Family Books are available. The supply is now getting low (under 10 books left). I don't know if there will be more printed or not. I have used all the covers; and while I am able to print more books, have not checked the printing costs.

~Sandra

OBITUARY OF LOIS VERMILYEA MCMURRAY (#1453)

from The Daily Star, Oneonta, New York.

Lois Vermilyea McMurray died Wednesday, March 31, 1999 at her home. She was born March 6, 1931 at Margaretville, New York, the daughter of John and Mary Dickman Vermilyea. She was married August 29, 1948 to John McMurray in New Kingston at the Presbyterian Church. She lived in the Margaretville area all of her life and enjoyed gardening, sewing, birds and wildlife.

Lois is survived by her husband, John McMurray at home; two daughters, Jean Ackerley of Margaretville and Karen McMurray and Neal Pekrul of Margaretville; her brother, Edwin Vermilyea of Arkville; her half brother, Nelson Vermilyea of Liverpool; grandson, Shane, David and Robin Davis of Highmount and Robert and wife, Nomie, or Orange City, Fla.; three great-grandchildren, Shawn, Jordan and Aaron; aunt, Ruth Dickman of Margaretville; and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral service will be held 2 p. m. Saturday, April 3, 1999, at the Hynes Funeral Home, Margaretville, with the Rev. S. Hayden Walsh, of the Advent Christian Church, Margaretville, officiating. Burial will be in the Sanford Cemetery, Margaretville.

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More E-mail Addresses:

- Dyckman W. Vermilye,
- Tom Vermilye,

(Next newsletter I will republish all the email addys I have to date, so get yours in as soon as possible.)

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