

SHAMBAUGH FAMILIES NEWS • LETTERS

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Mrs. Forest G. Cousins, 2346 B. Ave. N. E. Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

The oldest living alumna of Coe College in Cedar Rapids, died November 13, 1960 at her home in Clinton, Iowa. She was Mrs. Roger Mahon (Edith Ella Shambaugh) daughter of John and Eva Ann Ressler Shambaugh of Elvira, Iowa, formerly from Cumberland County, Pennsylvania. Mrs. Mahon was born in Elvira on June 16, 1866, celebrating her 94th birthday while in the hospital, and her only great grandson Roger Stephen Acton and his parents, Dr. and Mrs. Rush X. Acton, flew from Miami, Florida to help her celebrate her birthday. She had often visited for months with her daughters in Milwaukee and Cedar Rapids. Mrs. Mahon attended Frances Shimer College in Mt. Carroll, Illinois. Later she majored in music at Coe. She was from a family of 12 children and was the sister of the late Dr. Benjamin Shambaugh of Iowa City, and Dr. George Shambaugh of Chicago. She was married February 22, 1888 to Roger Mahon.

Surviving are Miss Eva Mary Mahon of Clinton, Mrs. Forrest (Blanche) Cousins of Cedar Rapids and Mrs. Clyde (Edith) Sheets of Milwaukee. One grand child and one great grandchild are also living. Preceding her in death were her husband and her daughter Mrs. Virgil McMullen.

Services were held in the Bragonier-Fay funeral chapel. Dr. H. J. Randall, pastor from Morrison, Illinois and Rev. Daniel Agata of the First Presbyterian church officiating, burial in Elvira Cemetery.

Mrs. C. N. Shambaugh, 95, of Eureka, Kansas, passed away July 14, 1960 at the Greenwood hospital where she had been since she fell and fractured her hip.

Martha Amanda, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Jim Carpenter, was born in Arlington, Iowa December 5, 1864.

She was married to Charles Newton Shambaugh on September 23, 1885 at Arlington, living there until 1903 when they moved to Gridley, Kansas. They had one daughter Mrs. Leta E. Roby. The family moved to Eureka in 1913 purchasing the Greenwood Hotel.

Mr. Shambaugh died in 1926.

Mrs. Shambaugh was an active member of the Christ Lutheran Church. She is survived by her daughter Mrs. Robey, two grand daughters, Mrs. Robert Benichek, and Mrs. Harry Anderson and four great grand children.

Services were conducted by Rev. Eugene Smith in the Baird Funeral Home in Eureka, with the burial in Greenwood Cemetery.

(Mrs. Roby is a first cousin of Harry Gleim.)

Mrs. Charlotte (Robert) Thompson, 85, of Jewett, Ohio, died May 30 in St. Luke's Hospital at Cleveland, Ohio.

She had resided in Jewett for 50 years and taught in the public schools in Cadiz, Scioto, Jewett and Bowerton. Her husband, the late B. Frank Thompson was a former treasurer of Harrison Co.

Surviving are Doris Ann Peake, 119 Fifth Avenue, Berea, Ohio, and Duard H. of 20905 Clare Avenue, Maple Heights, Ohio.

Mrs. Thompson was an accomplished musician.

X Mrs Arthur Talledge, Richland Center, Wis.

My father, Bert Shambaugh, 84, passed away in his sleep March 17, 1961. He was born Nov. 10, 1886. Mr Shambaugh belonged to the E.U.B. Church 52 years. His church meant everything to him, his great faith has been a great comfort to us.

For many years he was employed at the Kirkpatrick cheese warehouse. Surviving are his wife, the former Pearle Bell, a daughter Mrs Arthur Talledge, a grand daughter and two great grand children.

Services were held in the E.U.B. church with Rev Willard Alburtus officiating, burial in the Richland Center Cemetery. arrangements were in charge of the Pratt Service.

He also was much interested in the Shambaugh News - Letters; I know he would want me to carry on in his place, so I will try.

Irene Yarnal Hansen, 3609 1/2 N. Lakewood, Chicago, Ill.

It is with a heavy heart I write of the passing of my mother, Mrs Elsie Larrabee Yarnal on March 14, 1961. She was 73 on March 5.

Her husband, Frank C. Yarnal passed away a year ago. They lived in Elburn, Ill.

Mrs Clara Swenk, Woodston, Kan. reports the death of her husband Charles O. Swenk, 81 who died on December 6, 1960. Mr. Swenk was born April 19, 1879. Serviced were in charge of Smith's Funeral Home, with Rev. Loren J. Silsby officiating. The burial was in Woodston Cemetery.

Mrs. Audrey M. Sanson, 1208 Ball Street, Lafayette, Indiana

I am interested in any Shambaugh history which may relate to Elizabeth (Brown) Wirt Shambaugh. Elizabeth Brown was the daughter of Michael Brown, immigrant from Alsace, France and his wife Margaret-- According to United Brethren Church history (Now EUB) written by John Lawrence in 1860, Michael came to the valley of the Tulpehocken, in Penn. about the year 1760. I found at the State Library a Michael Braun coming in the year 1763.

I am wondering if any descendants of Elizabeth Brown (Wirt) Shambaugh would have any information concerning Elizabeth's father, Michael Brown and her mother Margaret. My ancestor, Rev John Brown, an ordained minister (UB) was a brother to Elizabeth. His wife was Elizabeth Gotshall. Rev John Brown was born in 1772 or 1773, and some records say he was buried in Ohio and some in Indiana. Elizabeth Gotshall was born in 1771 and died in 1849, buried in Shambaugh cemetery in Montmorenci.

Elizabeth (Brown) widow of Ludwig Wirt, who married George Shambaugh was born in 1777 in Penn. and died about 1863, Harrison Co. Rumley twp. Ohio.

I have information I would exchange, a genealogist did for me in Cumberland Co. and wonder if anyone has it traced for DAR? I have written to National Archives and they have records of four Michael Brown's which are similar to the Michael Brown I want information on. Thanking you for any information you can give me.

(Note - If anyone has any data on the above request, please get in touch with Mrs Sanson, or your News - Letter). * * *

Delmar B. Trachsel, 76, was found dead of a heart attack early Feb. 12, 1961 where he lived in Upper Sandusky, Ohio. He was born Oct. 5, 1884, the son of Jacob and Margaret Shambaugh Trachsel.

Mr Trachsel was married May 20, 1908 to Hattie Welker, who survives, with five daughters - Mrs Veaper (Lorraine) Quail, Mrs Robert (Gyneth) Armstrong, Mrs E. D. (Romaine) Pfeifer, Mrs Marion (Elinor) Ruff, Mrs Gene (Velma) White, three sons Loyal, Kail and Ray; 14 grandchildren and 6 great grandchildren. Deceased are two brothers, Jacob S. and William C. and a sister Mrs Anna Eliza Frank.

Mr Trachsel was a farmer and mechanic. A member of the N. Salem Lutheran Church and received his 50 year Masonic Pin in 1959.

Services were conducted by Rev Wm. Zoltner in the Bringman Funeral Home with burial in Oak Hill Cemetery near Upper Sandusky. * * *

Harold Wm. Kimmel, 54, died June 22, 1961 of a heart attack at his home in New Rumley, Ohio. He was a member of the Methodist Church, the Eagles and Masonic Lodges. Mr Kimmel was born Nov. 16, 1906 in New Rumley. Surviving are his widow, Mary Turner Kimmel and his mother Mrs Polly Miller Kimmel. His father, John A. Kimmel and a brother preceded him in death. Services were held at the Telfer Funeral Home in Jewett with Rev Charles Rothel officiating. Burial in the Methodist Cemetery. * * *

On Tues. evening, May 9, Franklin and Edith Shambaugh with their daughter Wanda Sue and husband Stanley Howard with son Stanley Howard Jr. arrived in Upper Sandusky at your editors home. On wed. we called on some of the relatives near here, also hunted for mushrooms, (and found a few too). Then on Thurs. morning they left for Canada, Franklin having won a vacation trip there for outstanding work in Life Insurance Sales. On their return trip they visited in Gallion and Kilbuck, Ohio and in Marion, Va.

The first week of Feb., Franklin was given a Scout Masters Key Award at the annual Scouters Appreciation Banquet. A number of years ago, Franklin's father, F. Guy Shambaugh received a similar award. * * *

Guy G. Shambaugh of 175 Curtis Ave. Marion Ohio spent the winter in Key West, Fla. for two months and had a good time fishing. Then to Mexico City for two weeks where he saw the Mexican Pyramids, a bull fight and many other interesting things, also was at the Guadalupe Shrine. Went to Acapulco for three weeks, enjoying the sights there before coming back to Key West a short time, then home. * * *

Two student nurses at the Mansfield General Hospital received awards at a banquet given in honor of Amvets National Commander, Harold Russell, at the Robert P. Spreng Post club rooms. Commander Russell read Citations which were awarded to Mrs Grace Lavonee Leightey and Miss Gloria Schie of the School of Nursing at the Hospital, both were rated as outstanding students. Financial assistance accompanied the Awards.

Also present was Harry Travis, Saddest Sad Sack from the award-sponsoring Baggy Sack Post 17, Amvets Honor group. Similar awards were given to four others over the past two years. Grace begins work in the Hospital here in Upper Sandusky in August. * * *

Your editor and wife, grand daughter Drucilla and her friend Phyllis Voorheis went to Gallion, O. the last of April and called on Fred and Beatrice Fortney and family and found them all O K, with Fred almost recovered from an accident with a bench saw, in which his fingers and hand were badly cut. * * *

The last of June, Drucilla went along with the Voorheis family on a trip in their plane to the Adirondacks in New York for a few days, enjoying it very much. * * *

Arthur Trautwein of Upper Sandusky, had a short stay in the Marion, O. hospital last spring. * * *

Ruy Trautwein of near Arlington, Ohio was in the hospital at Findlay, O. a few weeks the first part of this year, and had about four months to recovery. Ruy is now able to help with their farm work. * * *

Mrs C. L. McCammack, Box 83, New Market, Ind.

I had a visit from Vergie Anderson of Middleton, Wis. and she had some of the N-L with her, so I would like to check into the family there.

My name was Sally Shambaugh, my father's name was Alonzo, grand father's was Samuel and his father's was Jack. I imagine we are related to the Shambaugh's out there. I do know Jack had several brothers, I believe he was the only one that settled in Ind. on land near Traders Point.

Our familis had the middle name of Jackson. I have a brother, Edwin Jackson Shambaugh and he has two sons, Don and Monte - Monte has two small sons, Randy and Mark, they all live in Indianapolis. Edwin at 3640 W. 32nd. St. Indianapolis.

It is an interesting thing that my brother has a gun that belonged to Jack Shambaugh. It has been handed down through the years, and hangs over a door arch. Just thought I would write, and would be glad to receive the N-L, didn't know there was such a thing, I think it is a wonderful idea.

Ruth Shanbaugh, 48 Henlok Drive, Holliston, Mass.

George's brother Harold and his hephov, Gerry Ell, are both in the Navy and stationed at different Naval bases in Rhode Island.

I am singing in the church choir with George again. * * *

Mary Alice Dantzer, 1407 McFarland Ave., Rossville, Ga.

We had a wonderful Easter week and with the families all home again, Mary Lillian and Hugh from Marion, Va., Emily and Jack from Atlanta, Ga. and Aunt Cleo from the Smokys, with our families around here, we had 24 for Easter Sunday dinner.

After dinner we hid and hunted eggs for a couple of hours, then late in the afternoon we served sandwiches and punch to 31 guests.

The children gave me my first and only ORCHID, white with a yellow throat, and was I excited over it.

F. Guy, Ruth, Bud, Bryan, Margaret and myself drove to Atlanta, Ga. attending the May 8th. graduation at the Georgia Baptist Hospital where Emily graduated for nursing. * * *

Clark and Florence Bender, 1367 Blvd. way, walnut Creek, Calif.

I am enjoying my retirement, Florence is still teaching 4th. grade, about 30 colored children. Clark says - Florence and I are "at home" to all our friends at - "The Bender Home on the corner, where friends are always welcome; We raise Orchids for pleasure, we sell them to pay expenses".

(Ed. note - we saw Clark's Orchid Sale Ad in Organic Gardening and Farming, for July) * * *

Mrs Mary Kohler, Box 145, New Rumley, Ohio

My second son Robert was bedfast with rheumatic fever a few weeks during March and April, and is able to get around nicely now.

Ronald has been in the Red Sea area and in Rome, Italy, sailing from Norfolk, Va. Feb. 2nd. will be gone until the last of August. * * *

Jay and Floy Shambaugh, Rivor Quason Park, Box 19, Bullhead City, Ariz.

We intend to stay out here in the good Ariz. sun another year, The summers get up to 120, but we have an air conditioner, that helps some.

We go in to So. Calif. about once a month to see the families, six grand children in school and one two and a half year old at home. * * *

Mrs May Shambaugh, R 2, Arlington, wash. % O. C. Robinson.

I am well, am working here. My daughter Rosa and family are fine. I see my other two daughters, Ruth and Lucille once a week. Best regards to all. * * *

Mrs Harry (Cleo) Gorvin Sr. Box 347, Gatlinburg, Tenn.

I took a trip to Cleveland, Tenn. for my aunt Maud's 88th. birthday, Feb 11th. then we both went to Huntsville, Ala. for a visit.

We had one deep snow this winter, 6 inches and it was 9 below zero in Sevierville, our county seat, but not nearly so cold here in the Smoky's.

(Note - Cleo has just recently been in the hospital in Knoxville for a week, but is home now and feeling better). * * *

On June 28th. Anna Cogsil, with her daughter Julia and husband James Litzberg and children, Dora Ann, Sasie, Tom and Chuckie of Lamartine, O. were over night guests with your editor and wife, they also called on Dale and Gladys Shambaugh and Howard and Dorothy Leightey. The next morning they left for a vacation trip to Calif. and other points. On July 19th. Anna wrote that they had arrived home O.K. had a grand trip of over 6000 miles, and would tell us all about it when she saw us, SO, why not, all of you folks come to the National Gathering Sept. 3rd. "We'll have Anna tell us all about it", we hope.

Harry and Ina Gleim, Star-Fut Manor, 1320 Carroll St. Boone, Iowa (May 17th.)
Five years ago this August when I was in Virginia I visited with Eldon Dovell who now owns the farm on which the original Shambaugh plantation house stood. He told me that he was sure that he had plowed up some of the foundation stones of the old house, and he was reasonably sure that he had found an old rose that had survived through the years which must have been grown about the house since it was different from any other roses in a wild state in that section. He promised to send me a root. Well this spring he did send me two very thrifty roots and they are planted in my new rose bed and when they bloom we will tell you what they are like. The idea of having a descendent of a rose that bloomed in the old Daniel Shambaugh gardens intrigues me. We are both well and still enjoying the work with our two country churches. They do keep us busy enough so that we do not feel like we have actually retired. This morning we attended a breakfast at the larger of the two churches and I will go out there again tonight for an official board meeting while Ina joins her daughter in a Mother-Daughter banquet here in town.

Mary Alice Dantzler of Rossville, Ga. is announcing the marriage of her daughter Emily, on Oct. 7, 1961 at 4: PM to Jack Marion Briscoe, son of Mr and Mrs Victor M. Briscoe of Morrow, Ga. near Atlanta.
After their honeymoon, Emily will return to the Georgia Baptist Hospital, Nov. 1, to work in one of the Surgical rooms.

Dale and Gladys Shambaugh, 462 So. Main St. Upper Sandusky, O. left June 30, to spend 8 days in Michigan where Dale had a speaking engagement at a gathering of 126 top salesmen of the Lutheran Life Ins. Co. at the Grand Hotel in Mackinac Island.

Dale and Gladys left July 28, driving to Beach Haven Island near Atlantic City, visiting Gladys brothers and sisters for a week.

Dale's brother Marion Shambaugh and wife Viola, of Clearwater, Fla. visited from July 2 to 25 with his mother, Mrs Dora Shambaugh at the home of James and Donna Shambaugh Grafmiller here in Upper, including a few days in Akron.

Walter and Leefee Shambaugh, R3, Upr. San. O. family news -
The children of Walter and Leefee gave them a turkey supper surprise on their 40th. wedding anniversary, Jan. 27, 1961.

Judy and Tom Elliott of Upr. San. have a son Scott, born June 24, 1961.

Bobby and Billie Shambaugh and daughter Darlene with Lilly Mae Murry were in Canada on a fishing trip, leaving July 14.

Gene and Carol Shambaugh spent the week end of July 22, in W. Va.

Betty and Donald Schmuck have sold their place in Tiffin, O. and bought a place near Wharton, O.

Howard and Dorothy Leightey and son Howard Jr. with Merle and Ilsa Raymond and children of Upr. San. spent the week of July 24 - 30 sightseeing in and around Hopedale, O.

Ruby and Raymond Cole and son, came back from service in Guam, the last of Dec. 1960.

A daughter, Lonnie Kay, born Dec. 17, 1960 to Eugene and Ruth Trautwein Scheck.

A daughter, Lee Ann, born June 13, 1961 to Allen and Joyce Raymond.

A daughter, Bonnie Jean, born July 20, 1961 to Barbara and Roger Orians.

§ 4 M-L - Mrs Cleo Gervin 3.-, Bertha Slates 1.-, Mary Kohler 1.-, Bea Fortney 1.-

Some, at the reunions have spoken, because of lack of news items sent in, of having only two News -Letters a year, well, this is the year. So, in this issue - we are inviting all you Shambaugh kin to come to our "National Shambaugh Families Gathering" the Sunday before Labor Day, Sept. 3, 1961. (remember the date)

The town - Upper Sandusky, Ohio on routes 30 N, 53, 23, and 67. we even have an airport, where you can land with small planes, if you do come by plane, let us know and we will meet you.

The location - When arriving at the Court House in Upper, you will be at the junction of the above routes. Go north on 53 and 67 for a mile and a half, past the Hospital, Fairground and Airport, follow 67 to the right (NE) for a mile, to a small Battle Monument of Col. Crawford and Indian Chief Tahre, turning right (E) for over a half mile, follow left curve past the Indian Mill, dam and bridge, going north, then a left turn (W) to the Camp of the United Church of Christ. We'll meet you there, rain or shine. (directions sound complicated, but they're not, when you know the way) so come, following the Shambaugh signs to the Camp building, plenty of room for all, and autos too.

A basket dinner, served promptly at noon, 12 o'clock E S T. Cool drink and coffee, and ham furnished. Bring your own table service.

COME, let's make this an outstanding day for the Shambaughs.

If coming for over night, please write to F. A. Leightey, 442 So. 7th. St. Upper Sandusky, Ohio or, phone 294 - 2067.

Howard Leightey, Pres. - Dale Shambaugh, V P. - Elinor Shawver, Sec'y.

P. S. - If you miss the turn at the monument, there is another Shambaugh sign .8 mile farther on, turn right a half mile to the Camp.