



Lance Lines

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Lance Family Newsletter

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Calvin Wynn Eckels Sr. - Inventor

Calvin Wynn Eckels Sr. was born in the city of Evansville in Vanderburgh County, Indiana on August 28, 1927. He was the second oldest of four children born to Merl Eckels and Venita Brumette.

On August 16, 1945, he married Maryellen Niemeier of Evansville. She is the daughter of Herman Wesley and Elinore Catherine (Lance) Niemeier. They eventually became the parents of five children, all born in Evansville.

The family migrated from Indiana to California during the 1960's. According to the September 18, 1968 wedding announcement of their son, Calvin Eckels Jr., Calvin Sr. and Maryellen were living at 429 Descanso Avenue in the city of Ojai in Ventura County, California

Calvin Wynn Eckels Sr. taught for many years at Oxnard Community College in Oxnard, California specializing in machine operation and repair. He apparently also had a touch of inventiveness and ingenuity in his blood. A newspaper article published in the *Ventura County Star-Free Press* in Ojai declared:

***** Water-laced Fuel *****
Teacher's Gas-saving Idea Spurned

Oxnard College instructor Cal Eckels has a better idea. Eckels would like to pass his idea on to the Ford Motor Co., which advertises itself as the company with 'a better idea' - or any other automobile manufacturing company, for that matter. But they aren't buying, and Eckels thinks that is a big mistake.

What is he selling - or rather not selling - is a proposal to mix water with gasoline. No, Eckels is not a patent medicine salesman, or a rainmaker, or any other sort of huckster. He isn't even particularly interested in trying to make money with his suggestion. But he is interested in seeing drivers get better gasoline mileage, with more power from their cars, and with less pollution. And all that, Eckels said, is possible if people would just start mixing a little water with their gasoline.

The problem, however, is that in California it is against the law to mix water or anything else with gasoline to be burned in an automobile. Eckels can do it because he is technically experimenting, but the average driver has no legal way to check what he is claiming.

He said he understands why the state law was adopted. There was concern that people who objected to having catalytic converters placed on their cars would tamper with them, with the end result that no benefit would be derived from them, Eckels said. But he thinks the law was a mistake, especially as it applies to his suggestion, Eckels said: "What it (the law) does is shut the door on any improvements anyone might make on the system, which is the bad part," he said.

Eckels said he has known about the beneficial effects of mixing water with gasoline since his Navy experience during World War II, when he learned how the Army Air Corps mixed water with gasoline in long-range bombers to extend their strike capacity. He started experimenting with water-gasoline mixtures on his own cars after that and quickly became convinced that it was the best thing going, he said.

The system he has in an experimental car now is built simply with an intravenous fluid bottle, some hoses found in any aquarium, and a few small plastic parts, Eckels said. It costs less than \$5 to make and install, but its returns are dramatic, he said. Eckels estimates that the system - which draws water vapor from the water bottle and feeds it into the fuel system - increases gasoline mileage on the car by 10 to 15 percent. That means that the Datsun car, which typically gets an average of 21 miles per gallon, gets 25 to 26 miles per gallon using the water injection method, he said. If he could take the car's smog equipment off, the mileage could be increased by another four to five miles per gallon, he said.

And that brings up another important benefit, Eckels said. If the water injection system were

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Lance Lines is a quarterly newsletter published for the purpose of providing a forum for sharing information and ideas. The primary goal of this forum is to bring the widely dispersed members of the Lance and allied families closer together through communication and awareness.

You can view all previous newsletters on-line at www.linkquestUSA.com . Just click on *Lance Family Genealogy* and follow the links to the newsletters.

Lance Lines belongs to us all. I encourage you to participate by donating stories of family traditions or incidents and other genealogical data. Please mail announcements of births, deaths, marriages, photos, awards, events, etc. to:

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Your suggestions, questions, additions and comments regarding the content and presentation of this newsletter are always welcome.

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Message from the Editor

This issue of *Lance Lines* is the 1st year anniversary issue. As you may have noticed from the first four quarterly newsletters, we have some pretty fine writers in our extended family. From time to time, I pull out past issues and enjoy reading them just as much as I did the first time! The contributed articles and photos greatly enliven the pages of each newsletter. Your contributions have made my job as editor much easier than it might otherwise have been.

Many of you have supported the newsletter project by sending in your stories and notices of events. Thank you very much. I hope you continue to do so. Sometimes, I receive only rough details of an event or a basic outline of an item of interest. And that is quite all right. I am happy to fill in the color and flesh out the story. What may seem like 'no big deal' to you, could very well be a story that we would all like to read about.

Obviously, we each have varied interests, hobbies, and circumstances. Learning from and about each other can sometimes be uplifting and possibly add to

our pride of belonging to this clan. We may also find that other family members have similar interests. Hopefully, some of us will 'discover' a formerly 'lost cousin' and create some bonds of friendship.

Those of you who live in Southern Indiana have the advantage of residing on the ancestral grounds of our family. Our heritage in this locality goes back nearly 200 years. Most of you in Indiana live in relatively close proximity to each other. I think you can tell I am a little envious!

Anyway, I hope you enjoy reading this anniversary issue. Again, I ask you to consider sending your favorite family-related stories to me for inclusion in a future issue. Tell us your favorite story about your grandparents or about an event or achievement that you are proud of. As I mentioned sometime earlier, bragging is allowed!

This issue of your family newsletter also brings a special thank-you and a tip of the hat to: [Robert B. and Ruth M. Dickerson](#); and [Wesley F. and Marty J. Lance](#), for their generous monetary donation in support of this project.

I also want to thank Charter Members [Alan and Sharon Rae \(Lance\) Bittner](#) for continuing their support of *Lance Lines* by renewing their subscription.

THANK YOU! Your consideration is greatly appreciated!

Sincerely,



Michael Lester Lance

Readers Comment

"I have never e-mailed to say how much I enjoyed LL#4. I sat right down and added all your information to my files and was so glad to have so much more information."...[Hazel June \(Chesterfield\) Harbison](#) of Princeton, Indiana – (*Lance Line #1*).

"How marvelous, and thanks for thinking of us! You know, since the 'Lance Lines' are online, you wouldn't need to mail them, I could just download them, would save you a little postage. I am printing out your Lance generations now. You have so many little tidbits, and pictures that I don't have. We are still planning on attending the reunion. I have to call Gib & Donna this weekend, I need to keep them advised of the plans. We will be driving out, as we like to see the country."...[Jean Ann \(Lance\) Kling](#) of Oshkosh, Nebraska – (*Lance Line #1*).

"We want to thank you for the 'Lance Lines.' You have certainly done a wonderful job with it. The stories are interesting and the articles (Fun and Mostly Useless Puns) are entertaining. In the first issue, I saw the picture of your Dad and me. The article mentioned that he was widowed, but not who was pictured with him. Hope folks don't think that I am deceased! Let me know how I can be of help at the Family Reunion. Enclosed is a check to help with 'Lance Lines.'.....[Ruth Marie \(Curtis\) Dickerson](#) of Grand Rapids, Michigan – (*Lance Line #4*).

Editor's note: Ruth M. (Curtis) Dickerson was the 1st wife of the late Lester Lance and was shown in a ca. 1952 photo with Lester in Lance Lines issue #1. She is currently very much 'not deceased' and is living in Grand Rapids, Michigan with her husband, Robert Brooks Dickerson. She leads a very active retirement with several hobbies, including raising tropical fish. Mrs. Dickerson is also very supportive and active in the affairs of her church; including singing in the choir and a ladies trio and serving as church treasurer.

"Just a note to say thank you for all of your time & work on Lance Lines."...[Martha J. Lance](#) of Indianapolis, Indiana – (*Lance Line #5*).

"Please remove my name from your mailing list and add my cousin David Maikranz who is in your family tree. I worked with Cathy Jones, who is married to Mike Jones. Cathy brought the family tree into work and she showed me how the Maikranzs were listed and if I knew them. Yes, I do know them. My dad is the brother of Donald who married Betty Buck. I have since forwarded all the knowledge and information to a direct relative of yours. His name is David Hugh Maikranz of Garards Fort, Pennsylvania. Thank you."...[Marsha Maikranz](#) of Elberfeld, Indiana – (*Lance Line #1*).

Editor's note: David Hugh Maikranz is a 4th great grandson of pioneers John and Eleanor (Lemasters) Lance.

DNA Testing for Genealogy

A couple years back, I joined a Lance Family DNA testing project. A test kit was mailed to me and I easily submitted a sample of my DNA for testing. Other male Lances from around the country have also joined the project. Our goal is to establish (or discredit) links between the different Lance families. A genetic line graph has been professionally created to chart the different branches of the family. My branch seems to stick out off to one side of the graph in a rather lonely fashion! Participation by our branch of the Lance family seems to be lacking.

I'm mentioning this here to make you aware of the DNA project and to encourage some of you to join me in the project. *Family Tree DNA* is the company we are using and the cost is only \$99. It is a 12-marker test (not very comprehensive). Their web address is: <http://www.familytreedna.com> if you would like to learn more.

The genetic test kit consists of a cheek scraper and a collection tube. In about five minutes, you can read the instructions and perform a painless cheek scraping. The effect of using the scraper is about the same as brushing your cheek with a soft bristle toothbrush. The DNA test results are then placed in a secure, private and confidential database. My specific genetic markers are continuously compared to those of others joining the database. *Family Tree DNA* then notifies me if another person matches my DNA results.

So far, I have had about 50 matches to my 12 genetic markers, but I have not found a family link to any of them yet. I keep hoping that a match from another Lance branch will turn up soon so that we might move closer to discovering the origins of our clan.

....submitted by [Michael L. Lance](#) of Spring, Texas – (*Lance Line #4*)

The Immediate Family of Pioneers John & Sarah (Lathom) Lance

Line 1 [Olley Lathom Lance](#): Olley was born in the town of Francisco in Gibson County, Indiana in 1816. He was the only child of John and Sarah (Lathom) Lance. On September 30, 1838, Olley married Joanna Adams in Gibson County. They eventually became the parents of 6 children: Mary J., John Wesley, Nancy Ann, Sarah Ellen, Joseph N., and Oliver Pinkney Lance. On March 9, 1891, Olley's wife, Joanna, passed away at age 72 and on February 12, 1894, he passed away at about age 78.

The Immediate Family of Pioneers John & Eleanor (Lemasters) Lance

Line 2 [Mary Ann Lance](#): Mary Ann was born in Gibson County, Indiana about 1817. She was the 1st child born to John and 'Nelly' (Lemasters) Lance. On September 12, 1838, she married Pennsylvania-born farmer Martin Harger in Gibson County. Mary and Martin eventually became the parents of 7 children: Andrew, Jasper A., Ellenor, John, Harvey, George, and Lydia A. Harger. On December 26, 1861, Mary (Lance) Harger married her second husband, John W. Wire (or Wise) in Pike County, Indiana. They did not have any children together. She passed away in Pike County sometime after 1886.

Line 3 [Benjamin Lance](#): Benjamin was born in Gibson County, Indiana in 1820. He was the 2nd child born to John and 'Nelly' (Lemasters) Lance. On October 16, 1839, he and Joanna Beatty obtained a marriage license in Pike County, Indiana. They were united in matrimony the same day by Minister John Almon and eventually became the parents of 12 children: Sylvester J., William H., Sarah Jane, Mary, Thomas, Elisha Emery, Margaret E., Joanna, Charlotte, Rebecca, Jonathan, and Mont Lance. On February 15, 1880, Benjamin passed away at age 59.

Line 4 [Finas Euen Lance Sr.](#): Finas Sr. was born in Gibson County, Indiana about 1825. He was the 3rd child born to John and 'Nelly' (Lemasters) Lance. An April 17, 1845 Warrick County, Indiana marriage record unites a Ewing Lance with Betsy Cutright. It is not clear if Betsy Cutright was, in fact, Finas' wife, Elizabeth Leet. Elizabeth and Finas eventually became the parents of 5 children: George, Martha, Mary, Benjamin Franklin, and Finas Euen Lance Jr. Elizabeth passed away in the latter part of 1859 or early 1860 at about age 31. On May 26, 1860, Finas married his 2nd wife, Lydia Murphy. On December 9, 1862, they became the parents of a son: Abraham Lincoln Lance, in Warrick County. On March 12, 1878, Finas Sr. passed away in the town of Newburgh in Ohio Township, Warrick County, Indiana at about age 53.

Line 5 [Simeon Lance Sr.](#): Simeon was born in Gibson County, Indiana about 1829. He was the 4th child born to John and 'Nelly' (Lemasters) Lance. On April 3, 1849, he and Elizabeth J. Beeler obtained a marriage license in Pike County, Indiana. They were united in matrimony the same day by Justice of the Peace, Mr. Davis. They eventually became the parents of 4 children: Allen, Elizabeth, John A., and Simeon Jr. Simeon Sr. passed away sometime before August 1872.

Line 6 [Sarah Jane Lance](#): Sarah Jane was born in Gibson County, Indiana about 1829. She was the 5th child of John and 'Nelly' (Lemasters) Lance. She passed away unmarried sometime after 1880.

Line 7 [Margaret Lance](#): Margaret was born in Pike County, Indiana in 1831. She was the 6th child born to John and 'Nelly' (Lemasters) Lance. On April 1, 1847, she married Pennsylvania-born farmer John Harger in Pike County. They eventually became the parents of 14 children: Mary Ellen, Nelson Emery, Minerva Jane, Charles, Sarah, Alfred, George, James, John, Lucy, Henry, Grant, Homer, and Luther Harger. On December 27, 1877, Margaret passed away in Warrick County, Indiana at age 46 years, 7 months, and 19 days.

Line 8 [George Lance](#): George was born in Gibson County, Indiana about 1834. He was the 7th child born to John and 'Nelly' (Lemasters) Lance. On June 8, 1854, he and Rachael Roberts obtained a marriage license in Pike County, Indiana. They were united in matrimony the following day by Minister William Sutherland. They eventually became the parents of 6 children: Samuel Elijah, Louvena, Rhoda, Lewis, Elvira, and Franklin Lance. Rachel passed away in 1879. On November 18, 1879, George Lance and Martha Ann Johnson were wed in

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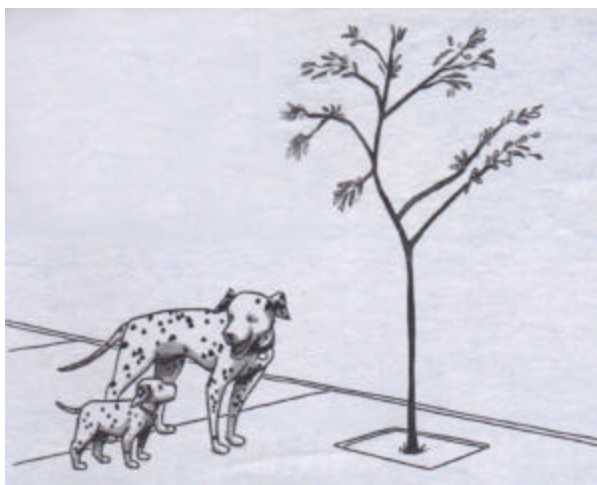
Warrick County, Indiana. They did not have any children together. On December 1, 1889, George was 60 years old when he married his 3rd wife, Susannah Robinson, in Pike County, Indiana. They also did not have any children. On April 3, 1894, George Lance was a 57 year old farmer still living in Indiana when he and his 4th wife, 42 year old (Mrs.) Harriet Bryant obtained a Pike County marriage license. She was also living in Indiana and it was her 2nd marriage. After George's marriage to Almeda on March 28, 1895, the *Boonville Standard* reported: "Uncle George is convinced that man should not live alone. Last Thursday, accompanied by J. F. Cox, Justice of the Peace, he went to Boonville and captured his 5th wife. Uncle George has been married 2 times, in last year." In 1897, the *Boonville Standard* reported: "Uncle George says it is not good for man to live alone, so he made his 6th matrimonial venture, a few days ago." They also divorced.

Line 9 [Ruth Lance](#): Ruth was born in Indiana about 1837. She was the 8th child born to John and 'Nelly' (Lemasters) Lance. On July 27, 1854, she married farmer Stephen Roberts in Pike County, Indiana. They eventually became the parents of 5 children: Arminda, Mary E., Margaret, Charles M., and Malinda Roberts. On March 23, 1873, Ruth married her 2nd husband, Charles Osborne. She then became the mother of 3 more children: Mariah Elizabeth, Jane, and Noah E. Osborne. In 1924, Ruth passed away in Gibson County, Indiana at about age 87.

Line 10 [Eleanor Lance](#): Eleanor was born in Pike County, Indiana on June 28, 1841. She was the 9th child born to John and 'Nelly' (Lemasters) Lance. On February 7, 1858, with the written consent of her father, Eleanor married farmer Larkin Raney in Pike County. She was about 16 years old. They eventually became the parents of 3 children: Miline, Daniel Thomas, and William Raney. On November 26, 1863, Eleanor passed away in Pike County at age 22 years, 4 months, 28 days. She was buried beside her parents at Log Creek Cemetery in the town of Stendal in Pike County.

Line 11 [Martha Lance](#): Martha was born in Pike County, Indiana about 1844. She was the 10th child born to John and 'Nelly' (Lemasters) Lance. On October 23, 1861, she married Moses Ambrose in Pike County. They divorced on March 29, 1864 in Pike County after becoming the parents of a son: Isaac William Ambrose. On August 28, 1864, Martha married Larkin Raney, the widower husband of her late sister, Eleanor. They eventually became the parents of 4 children: Alvin Jackson, Caroline, Newton, and John W. Raney. On October 26, 1876, Martha married Obediah Stephens in Pike County. On July 25, 1879, they became the parents of a daughter, Florence N. Stephens, in Pike County. It is believed Martha passed away in Pike County before June 1880.

Line 12 [Nancy Lance](#): Nancy was born in Pike County, Indiana about 1846. She was the 11th and last child born to John and 'Nelly' (Lemasters) Lance. On January 29, 1865, she married Thomas D. Midkiff in Pike County. They became the parents of a son: John Midkiff. Their marriage was dissolved by divorce on March 26, 1869. On October 24, 1869, Nancy and Lewis Cass Davis were united in matrimony in Pike County. They eventually became the parents of the 5 children: Louisa, Mary A., Eva A. Emma J., and Mary E. Davis. On November 22, 1886, Nancy passed away in Pike County at about age 40.



“And, son, this is our Family Tree.”

....Submitted by [Ruth M. Dickerson](#) of Grand Rapids, Michigan.

Lance Lines Membership

<u>Name</u>	<u>City/State</u>	<u>Line</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>City/State</u>	<u>Line</u>
Bittner, Sharon Rae	Evansville, IN	4 *	Malone, Brenda Lance	Houston, TX	4 *
Brigger, Deanna L.	Woodlands, TX	5 *	Marotz, Wilma Jerrie	Selma, OR	4 *
Bruce, Mary Jane	Evansville, IN	5 *	Meny, Tracy Renee	Newburgh, IN	3 *
Bufkin, Jennifer D.	Evansville, IN	3 *	Niemeier, Robert S.	St. Louis, MO	4 *
Bufkin, Joyce Marie	Boonville, IN	3 *	Pitz, Norma Jean	Richland, TX	4 * ~
Burggrabe, Catharine	Evansville, IN	4 *	Ricken, Tammy M.	Surprise, AZ	4 *
Burks, Wilma	Evansville, IN	4 *	Roberson, Samuel	San Pablo, CA	4 * ~
Byers, Larry Allen	Chandler, IN	4 *	Steffes, Kelly Lynn	Grandville, MI	4 *
Chapman, L. Sue	Petersburg, IN	11 *	Strange, Nancy L.	Portland, OR	4 +
Dougherty, Beverly	Grand Blanc, MI	7 *	Sullivan, Bertha	Edmond, OK	--
Eads, Cindy Lou	Boonville, IN	3 *	Thompson, Susan M.	Muskegon, MI	4 *
Eckels, Maryellen	Yorba Linda, CA	4 *	Vanover, Terri Lynn	Boonville, IN	3 *
Egan, Patricia Ann	El Dorado Hills, CA	4 *	Wagner, Joanne Sue	Boonville, IN	3 * ~
Gaston, Jillaine P.	Rockport, IN	3 *	Womack, Ivalou	Southwest City, MO	3 * ~
Gish, Vickie Jo	Newburgh, IN	4 *			
Harbison, H. June	Princeton, IN	1 *	-- Lance Line unknown		
Harger, Charles	Laporte, TX	2 * ~	* Charter member		
Harger, James G.	Ozark, AR	2 * ~	~ Related to the indicated Lance Line by marriage		
Harger, Michael	Redding, CA	2 * ~	+ New member		
Hocker, Cathy D.	Lynnville, IN	3 *			
Hutchison, Lana Joy	Evansville, IN	4 *	<hr/>		
Jones, Betty	Anaheim, CA	4 ~	The <i>Lance Lines</i> Charter Members listed above are direct descendants or spouses of direct descendants of the indicated <i>Lance Line</i> (the ancestor lines are described and numbered on pages 4 and 5).		
Jones, Michael W.	Evansville, IN	4	Column two shows the city in which each member lives. If you wish to communicate with someone on this list, please contact the editor for a reference. Exact addresses and other information will be kept confidential unless disclosure permission is given by both parties wishing to communicate.		
Kinney, Marcie C.	Evansville, IN	3 *	This list of names is only a small fraction of the thousands of persons related or allied to the extended family of pioneer John Lance. Many more 'lost cousins' are still likely waiting to be discovered!		
Kling, Jean Ann	Oshkosh, NE	1 *	<hr/>		
Lance, Artie Faye	Oakland City, IN	5 * ~	Newest Members Welcomed		
Lance, Betty Jean	Chandler, IN	4 * ~	Robert & Ruth Dickerson Grand Rapids, MI (Line #4)		
Lance, Carl Robert	Westville, IL	3 *	Maikranz, David Hugh Garards Fort, PA (Line #1)		
Lance, Chester	Newburgh, IN	4 *	<hr/>		
Lance, Dane	Bozeman, MT	--	Missing Persons Bureau		
Lance, Gerald	Seattle, WA	4 *	Correspondence mailed to the following persons was returned as undeliverable. Do you have an updated address for them?		
Lance, Gloria Louise	Evansville, IN	4 *	Bufkin, Jennifer – last addr.: Evansville, IN (Line #3)		
Lance, James Earl	Miami, FL	4 *	Lance, Ben - last address: Hatfield, IN (Line #5)		
Lance, James F.	Boonville, IN	3 *	Luff, Brandi M. - last address: Boonville, IN (Line #3)		
Lance, John Dennis	Evansville, IN	4 *	Vidal, Brina G. – last address: Newburgh, IN (Line #5)		
Lance, John Fesler	Deer Lodge, MT	-- *	Wagner, Joanne S. – last addr.: Boonville, IN (Line #3)		
Lance, Kenneth James	Bucyrus, OH	4 *	<hr/>		
Lance, Kenneth W.	Boonville, IN	3 *			
Lance, Linda Faye	Boonville, IN	3 * ~			
Lance, Louise G.	Evansville, IN	5 * ~			
Lance, Martha Sue	Evansville, IN	5 * ~			
Lance, Marvin Ray	Chandler, IN	4 +			
Lance, Matthew W.	Georgetown, KY	3 *			
Lance, Michael Lester	Spring, TX	4 *			
Lance, Nina Marie	Newburgh, IN	3 * ~			
Lance, Paul Ray	Boonville, IN	3 *			
Lance, Randy Allen	Plainfield, IN	3 *			
Lance, Robert Keith	Newburgh, IN	3 *			
Lance, Sue	Martinsville, VA	-- ~			
Lance, Thomas Wm.	Grand Rapids, MI	4 *			
Lance, Wendell E.	Bowling Green, KY	3 *			
Lathom, William N.	Princeton, IN	1 * ~			
Lawson, Randall W.	Mission Viejo, CA	3 *			
Luff, Brandi Michelle	Boonville, IN	3 *			

Lance Family Current Events

It's A Girl



Mark Alan and Julie Ann (Boyles) Lance would like to announce the birth of their first child - a daughter - Markie Kathryn Lance. She was born on December 20, 2004 at Deaconess Women's Hospital in Newburgh, Indiana. Markie weighed 7 lbs. 14 ounces, and was 19 inches long. Her grandparents are: David and Sue (Elikofer) Boyles and Kenny and Jane (Chappell) Lance, all of Boonville in Warrick County, Indiana. Great-grandparents are Owen and Barb Hill of Boonville, the late Elmer and Kathryn Elikofer, the late Holbert and Margerete Boyles and the late Robert and Anna Lance."

....Submitted by [Julie Ann \(Boyles\) Lance](#) of Boonville, Indiana.

Editor's note: Markie Kathryn Lance is a 5th great-granddaughter of pioneers John and Eleanor (Lemasters) Lance – (Lance Line #3).

It's A Girl

"The new Majors baby was born in Olympia, Washington. I have not heard from the new parents or grandparents yet with name of the hospital or the baby's name. Guess they are not ready to come down from cloud nine!"Submitted by [Sharon Rae \(Lance\) Bittner](#) of Newburgh, Indiana.

Wesley Keith and Nancy Louise (Lance) Strange are new grandparents of a baby girl by her son, Clayton Edward Majors and Kim Gaffi. Rosemary Sabine Gaffi/Majors was born on April 14, 2005 at St. Peters Providence Hospital in Olympia, Washington. She weighed 9 pounds at birth and has black hair. Baby and mother are both doing fine after 30 hours of labor and a c-section.

Editor's note: Clayton Edward Majors is a 4th great-grandson of pioneers John and Eleanor (Lemasters) Lance – (Lance Line #3).

Snowbirds Rule

Wesley Fenton Lance and his wife, Martha (Marty) J. spent the months of January, February, and March 2005 as snowbirds living at Panama City Beach. They took up residence at a campground in the middle of a grove of pine trees just 3 blocks from the beach.

Among other activities, Wesley participated in a chili cook-off contest and took 1st place honors. The judges and others did not know and were not told that the meat he used for his chili was deer meat instead of beef! Way to go, Cousin Wes!

Wes is also a very good horseshoe player. Once again, he competed and shared first place honors.

The Lance snowbirds also attended the Mardi Gras festivities at Panama City. The splash they made there even warranted a mention in the local news. They were impressively dressed to the 9's. Their hats, her dress & his vest were made by Marty in bright purple, green and gold.

I'm sure Panama City will be anxiously waiting for the Lance snowbirds to migrate south again next year!

Editor's note: [Wesley Fenton Lance](#) is a 3rd great grandson of pioneers John and Eleanor (Lemasters) Lance.

Lance Family Current Events *(Continued)*

Congratulations

Bonnie Jean Lance and Captain Bryan Andrew Harmon were united in matrimony on Saturday, April 9, 2005.

“With joyful hearts we ask you to be present at the ceremony uniting Bonnie Jean Lance and Captain Bryan Andrew Harmon on Saturday, the ninth of April two thousand and five at half after 7 o'clock in the afternoon – Community Congregational Church - Franklin, Indiana.”...(wedding invitation).

The wedding party included: Maid of Honor - Kristy Engelsman, friend of the Bride; Bridesmaids - Stacy Jobe, sister of the Bride, and Kristen Foust, sister of the Groom; Best Man - Scott White, friend of the Groom; Groomsmen - Andy Schweiss and Jay Jones, friends of the Groom; Flower Girl - Perri Foust, niece of Groom; Ring Bearer - Zane Stephens, friend of the Bride; Ushers - Bradley Lance, brother of the Bride, Timothy Stephens and Daniel Ward, friends of the Bride; the Guest Book was attended by - Michelle Zirkelbach and Nicole Zirkelbach, friends of the Bride; Parents of the Bride - Marvin and Linda Lance and Barbara Lance; Parents of the Groom - Richard and Kalynn Harmon; Singing Duet - Roger Acton and Randy Bearfield with Accompanist Jackie McNeelan; Harpist - Joyce Elliott; Pastor - Reverend Diane Wise; and Wedding Coordinator - Carolyn Wendt.

The three roses on the alter are: In memory of Catherine A. Lewis - grandmother of Groom; In memory of fallen soldiers; In honor of family & friends unable to attend today.



Capt. Bryan Andrew & Bonnie Jean (Lance) Harmon

"We would like to thank our family and friends for their love and support. Your prayers and encouragement have guided us here today. We appreciate you and all you have done for us. Love Bonnie & Bryan."

....source: *Wedding program submitted by Melissa Nichole (Bourassa) Lance of Chandler, Indiana.*

“The Bonnie and Bryan Harmon wedding was a wonderful affair, very simple but elegant, just like Bonnie. Of course Aunt Sharon is very proud to have such a wonderful and pretty niece.”

.....Submitted by *Sharon Rae (Lance) Bittner of Newburgh, Indiana.*

Editor's note: Bonnie Jean (Lance) Harmon is a 4th great-granddaughter of pioneers John and Eleanor (Lemasters) Lance – (Lance Line #4).

Dennis Roy and Maggie (Kempf) Byers celebrated their 25th Wedding anniversary on April 22, 2005 at the Whirlpool Union Hall from 6:00 p.m. – 11:00 p.m. in Evansville, Indiana

.....Submitted by *Sharon Rae (Lance) Bittner of Newburgh, Indiana.*

Editor's note: Dennis Roy Byers is a 3rd great-grandson of pioneers John and Eleanor (Lemasters) Lance – (Lance Line #4).

Lance Family Current Events *(Continued)*

Steffes Family Visits Jamaica

“Jamaica is hot and sunny every day and has lots of mountains. The water is a blue/green color. I can't describe it. It's the prettiest thing I ever saw (the water/ocean). The BIG cruise ships pass by and they are lit up at night. Cool!!! *Sandals Resort* is where we stayed. It is very nice and very clean. You are well taken care of there. Plan on putting on 5 pounds!

The trip was free through Greg's job. *Grant Forest Products* paid for it. We would have to save a couple years to take a trip like that! We went by plane. We flew from Grand Rapids [Michigan] to Memphis, then from there to Jamaica. I think it was around 6 hours or so. *Grant Forest Products* chose all that we did. We were the chosen one's from Greg's work and *Grant Forest* sent us our plane tickets and booked us all up. They also sent some other couples from other companies with us.

Everything in Jamaica is outside - restaurants, bars, etc. It is a very poor country. They depend on tourists for their industry. Therefore, if you leave the resort, you could be in danger. Outside of them are *hounds* and who knows what. Some were camped out along side of the resort boundaries trying to sell dope and necklaces to us all. They would whistle or yell to you constantly! People just ignored them usually. People were buying things sometimes. They were crazy to go near them. Some people bought dope. They thought they were sneaky, but I saw it.

\$22 of our money means \$1,000 in their money. We bought a stamp to mail a postcard. The price on it was \$50.00. We paid the American price of course - a few cents. Don't mail anything from Jamaica. They have terrible postal service. We just got the postcard we sent to Cody which we sent the day we got there - over 2 weeks ago!

Montego Bay is nice. That's where the airport is. It is right on the ocean. I took pictures of the ocean from my seat. It's right there! There are no sidewalks. The streets are as big as my driveway. Wild dogs and little kids just walk along the road (we saw this on our bus trip to our resort). It's hard to believe such a beautiful place is so poor. The resort workers must be really lucky to have those jobs. They are all black and real nice (in the resort). The maid came to our room 3 times a day. They folded our toilet paper and folded our towels into animal shapes.

There were wild cats in the resort that lived there. Of course, I got attached. They liked me. I gave them water and crackers. They came to my door every morning before it got too hot for them. We would be on the beach at dark and the cats would play in the sand and run along the shore. It was too cool. They would hunt birds in the palm trees. Lizards were everywhere. Cody wanted one. No way! They search you so bad there. They make you sign a slip - yes or no - asking if you have any insects or soil in your bag, etc.

We wore 45 sun block everyday and still got tan. It's very dangerous sunlight there because you are close to the equator. It's great if you are careful. People thought they were cool and they got so fried. If you go, pay for a really expensive resort. That's the way! Most people that go there are very, very, very rich. People were getting married right on the shore all the time. Can you imagine their pictures with that water as a background? And, they'd stay in the resort. They were rich, we know.

The Jamaicans had a private party set up on the beach for the couples from our large group called the *Grant Forest Products* 'party'. All the food and drinks you can imagine. That was on the last night there. The waves were loud and the moon was full and it was so warm and great. And, I ate lots of ham and cake and chocolate and too many bananas throughout the week.

The only thing that bothered me was the roads were so small the buses would almost hit head on. They have to make good time, so they drive real fast. You know, so the buses full of people going to Montego Bay can make their flights to go home. On our way to the resort our bus actually had to slam on its brakes. We just about hit a bus that was on its way to Montego Bay for flights home. They drive on the wrong side of the road (to us). They are really nice and take good care of ya. To them, we are millionaires.”

.....Submitted by *Kelly Lynn (Lance) Steffes* of Grandville, Michigan, 5 Apr 2005.

Editor's note: *Kelly Lynn (Lance) Steffes* is the 4th great-granddaughter of pioneers *John and Eleanor (Lemasters) Lance* – (*Lance Line #4*).

In Loving Memory

Eloise Helen Harger 1942-2005



“Just a quick note to inform of my wife Ellie Harger passing to join her Lord on March 8, 2005 at Sparks Hospital at Fort Smith, AR where she fought her last long battle with diabetes, kidney failure and loss of extremity vascular circulation. She was blessed with good care and loving attention in her final week of this life at the hospice unit at Sparks Medical center. Her funeral will be tomorrow at 10 AM, Shaffer Funeral Home, Ozark, AR and burial following at Houston Cemetery in Alix, AR. I will send more info later when time permits.”

....Submitted by **James Graydon Harger Sr.** of Ozark, Arkansas – (Lance Lines #2 and #7).

“Eloise H. Harger, 62 of Ozark died Tuesday, March 8, 2005, in a Fort Smith hospital. She was born June 20, 1942, in Cass, West Virginia, to Roger and Elva Eary Dickenson. She was a member of the Ozark Nazarene Church and was active in functions of the church for many years.

Ellie met her husband, James Harger, while they were at Fairchild Air Force Base in Washington. They were married December 7, 1963. James and Ellie were stationed at many Air Force bases in the United States and England. They retired from the Air Force after 22 years and moved to Ozark with their only son, James Jr., and had resided in Pleasant Homes since 1975.

Survivors include her husband, James; a son, James Jr., of Ozark; a daughter-in-law, Melissa Park of Ozark; and a grandson, Justin Morgan of Ozark; sisters, Dorothy Strehlen of Cass, West Virginia, Linda Elliott of Charleston, West Virginia; Polly Monk of Arborvale, West Virginia, and Ginger Monk of Upper Marlboro, Maryland; and four brothers, Eugene Dickenson of Massillon, Ohio, James Dickenson of Martin, Tennessee, Bill Dickenson of Des Plains, Illinois, and Larry Dickenson of Dayton, Virginia. She was preceded in death by her daughter. Funeral services were at 10:00 a.m. Friday at Shaffer Funeral Home, with Reverend Rusty Pearson officiating. Burial was at Houston Cemetery in Alix, Arkansas”.....(source: newspaper obituary in *The Spectator*, published each Wednesday in Ozark, Arkansas, 16 Mar 2005).

“I would like to add an incident that happened early in the morning the day Ellie passed away that has meaning to us. Ellie was taken to the Sparks Hospital in Ft. Smith on Sunday, February 20th. The hospital has some apartments that are available for a very reasonable rate to persons who have a very seriously ill family member in the hospital. It's so nice, located about a block to the hospital, walking distance. Jim stayed by Ellie's bedside every day from about 7:00 a.m to about 8:30 p.m. each night, leaving only to eat, from the 20th of Feb. until March 4th, when she was moved into the Hospice Section on the 6th floor.

About 3:31 a.m, March 4th, Jim was awakened by a bird singing so loud, he called out to his sister Beth to note the time, and listen to that bird singing! He went to the hospital as usual at 7:00 a.m. Ellie had been in a coma for 2 days. At about 2:00 p.m. he gave his cell phone number to the nurse and said, ‘I need to drive back to Ozark and take care of some business and will be gone about 2 hours and will be back here.’ So we went to the apartment, picked up our laundry, and as we walked to the car, all three of us were amazed at the beautiful red bird in the tree that covered over the sidewalk. It was singing so loud we stopped and looked up at it and watched for about a minute and it did not fly off but just kept singing. Beth got her digital out and snapped some pictures of the bird. We started looking around and there was not one other bird in sight. We then moved on to the car and headed out toward Ozark. We made a quick stop at a Wal-mart in Ozark and as we checked out, Jim's cell rung, it was the hospital saying that Ellie had passed on at 2:42 p.m. We turned around headed back to Ft. Smith and the hospital. A couple days later the pictures were developed and the time on the photo of the red bird was 2:20 p.m.

The reason for this story is that for many years Ellie collected birds, mostly red birds, as they were her favorite, and she had them displayed throughout her home. As we talked about this incident, the red bird and the time frame, we feel that was Ellie's way of saying farewell. Now whenever we see a red bird, we feel the closeness of Ellie's presence!

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In Loving Memory – Helen Eloise Harger *(continued)*

Jim took Ellie to her family reunion last June that is held in Cass, West Virginia every 5 years. He felt it may be the last one she would be able to attend. Even though Ellie was in terrible pain, she went and enjoyed it so much. Spending that week with all her family one last time had meant so much to her.

Jim is slowly healing and knows in his heart that God was merciful to Ellie, as she had painfully suffered so much the past months. Ellie had so many friends, I mean real friends, who visited her daily through to the end. Young and old came and said such nice things to her and about her. Ellie being a stay-at-home mom, helped to raise many of the children in her neighborhood. Now, as adults, they also came to show their love and appreciation.”

.....submitted by *Delores Yvonne (Harger) Mitchell* – (Lance Lines #2 and #7).

Editor's Note: *Delores Yvonne (Harger) Mitchell* is the sister of James Graydon Harger. They are the great-great-grandchildren of Milton Harger (born ca. 1816 in Pennsylvania). Two of Milton Harger's siblings married into the Lance family: Martin Harger (born ca. 1814) married Mary Ann Lance (*Lance Line #2*) and John Harger (born 1821) married Margaret Lance – (*Lance Line #7*).

Calvin Wynn Eckels Sr. - Inventor *(Continued from page 1)*

installed in all cars in Southern California, not only would it eliminate any shortage of gasoline but it would also eliminate the pollution problem, he said. The water causes the engine to run cooler and more efficiently, both of which drastically reduce the level of hydrocarbons, nitrogens and oxides produced by burning gasoline, he said.

The currently accepted theory that hotter-burning engines reduce pollutants is false, Eckels said. And an added benefit of the cooler engine is that its life is increased because there are fewer deposits in the engine, and overall wear and tear is reduced, he said.

Eckels said he has done long years of study and experimentation on the subject, some of it along with local chemical engineer Maarten Voogd, and he is convinced that there is nothing but benefit from a system that mixes water and gasoline. "There's no drawback," he said. "I have found nothing that's adverse about it. It's a totally safe system that can be used on any car." In fact, similar systems are being used by individuals in most other states, where there are no state laws to prevent it, so it isn't as if the idea was somehow new or untried, Eckels said. There are even out-of-state companies that manufacture more sophisticated versions of the system Eckels uses, and others that mix the water and gasoline directly, he said.

But neither he nor Voogd - nor apparently anyone else who has tried to sell the idea to car manufacturers or the government - has had any success. Eckels said he suspects some sort of conspiracy. "My own personal opinion is that there's some form of collusion between the government and big business to prevent anything getting on the

market that would help the common man and might hurt the profits of big business," he said. "Logically, it looks like they would jump at any reasonable solution that would solve the problem (of gas shortages and pollution)," Eckels said.

But no one seems to be interested, and he has other things to worry about, he said. Primary among those worries is turning his students into competent industrial mechanics and machinists. Eckels has been doing that - and apparently pretty successfully for eight years in the Ventura County Community College District. The vocational technical department he works for was once at Ventura College but moved when Oxnard College was opened, which made Eckels one of the original teachers at the new college.

His students work 30 hours a week in a one-year concentrated program designed to give them the basics of whatever job they might get in industry. Eckels is proud of his record with his students since he can point to more than 250 former students who have what he considers good jobs now.

On May 7, 1981, Calvin Sr. passed away from stomach cancer at age 53. His funeral program states: "In Loving Memory - Calvin Wynn Eckels; Date of Birth - August 28, 1927; Date of Death - May 7, 1981; Services - Ojai Masonic Lodge, Monday May 11, 1981, 1:00 p.m.: Cremation and Scattering at Sea off the coast of Ventura, California.; Arrangements - Clausen Funeral Home".

Descendants of Simeon Lance – *Lance Line #5*

The following outline shows the direct descendants of Simeon Lance, 4th child of pioneers John and Eleanor (Lemasters) Lance. I realize that this type of diagram can be confusing and tedious to read. However, it does show the depth of this family line and hopefully will be of some interest. I used colors to differentiate each generation. The next newsletter will feature *Lance Line #6*. I also request that you assist me by forwarding to the editor a list of any missing names, dates, or corrections (see editor's address on pg 2).

Simeon Lance - (b. ca. 1829 Gibson Co., IN – d. before Aug 1872)

m. in Pike County, IN on 3 Apr 1849 to **Elizabeth J. Beeler** (b. ca. 1830 IN – d. unknown)

child: **1.) Allen Lance** (b. 1852 IN – d. unknown)

m. **Anna**

child: **A.) Euen Lance** (b. 5 Sep 1882 Warrick Co., IN – d. unknown)

2.) Elizabeth Lance (b. 1854 IN – d. unknown)

3.) John A. Lance (b. Aug 1856 Newburgh, Warrick Co., IN – d. 1919 Pike Co., IN)

m. 12 Mar 1879 Warrick Co., IN to **Vitura J. Hickman** (b. 15 Mar 1861 Newburgh, IN – d. 9 Oct 1909 Pike)

child: **A. Katherine B. Lance** (b. Jan 1880 Pike Co., IN - d. unknown)

m. 24 Dec 1898 Avrshire, Pike Co., IN to **Charles Nold** (b. Dec 1872 Pike Co, IN – d. unknown)

child: **a.) boy Nold** (b. 18 Oct 1899 Pike Co., IN – d. unknown)

b.) Howard Nold (b. ca. 1901 IN – d. unknown)

B. Norman Lance (b. 31 Jul 1882 IN – d. unknown)

m. 1st **Rosa Minnis** (b. 3 Jun 1883 Pike Co., IN – d. unknown), divorced 30 Nov 1906

m. 2nd 15 Dec 1906 Oakland Citv. IN. **Bertha Whitman** (b. 12 Mar 1888 Pike Co. IN – d. unkn)

child: **a.) Ashel W. Lance** (b. 20 Sep 1907 Pike Co., IN – d. 15 Apr 1976 Marion Co., IN)

m. 1st **Mary**

child: **I.) Charlotte Lance** (b. ca. 1937 -)

II.) Wesley Fenton Lance (b. Jan 1942 -)

m. 1st to **Barbara Springer**

child: **i.) Deanna Lynn Lance** (b. 29 Jan 1970, Marion Co, IN -)

m. **Ross Brigger** (b. 11 Sep 1967 Faribault Co, MN -)

ch: **I) Ben Brigger** (b. ca. 2000 TX -)

ii.) Melinda Sue Lance (b. 6 Nov 1971, Marion Co., IN -)

m. 2nd to **Martha J.**

m. 2nd to **Jean Kinser**

C. Jesse Allen Lance (b. 9 Sep 1884 Newburgh, Warrick Co, IN – d. 16 Sep 1963 Winslow, Pike Co, IN)

m. 16 Oct 1904, **Flora Jane Sandage** (b. 24 Feb 1887 Pike Co., IN – d. 9 Aug 1970 Pike Co, IN)

child: **a.) Cecil Tomas Lance Sr.** (b. 18 Dec 1906 Pike Co, IN – d. 14 Sep 1954 Oakland City, IN)

m. 1st 1924 to **Thelma Sinclair** (b. 29 Apr 1906 – d. 31 Oct 1968)

child: **I.) Cecil Tomas Lance Jr.** (b. 12 Jun 1925 – d. unknown)

m. 23 Mar 1947 to **Nora Lee Reed**

child: **i.) Linda Kay Lance** (b. 12 Aug 1948 -)

m. 15 Apr 1968 **Gary McCandless** (b. 4 Sep 1946 -)

m. 2nd **Leota Houchins** (b. 7 Jun 1910 – d. Oct 1986)

child: **II.) Kathy Lynn Lance** (b. 9 Oct 1952 -)

m. 1st 13 Mar 1970 **Steve Burns**

child: **i.) Tiffany Lynn Burns** (b. 13 Jul 1970 -)

m. 2nd **Bob Brogan** - divorced

b.) Thelma Lance (b. 7 Jul 1913 Pike Co., IN – d. 1913 IN)

c.) Helen Marie Lance (b. 4 Nov 1915 Pike Co., IN – d. unknown)

m. 17 Dec 1934 Petersburg, IN to **Ted Moore** (b. 25 May 1910 – d. 19 Mar 1971)

child: **I.) Sally Sue Moore** (b. 8 Feb 1935 IN – d. 8 Feb 1935 IN)

II.) Helen Marietta Moore (b. 22 Nov 1937 IN – d. 22 Nov 1937 IN)

III.) Terrv Allen Moore (b. 30 Mar 1943 IN -)

m. 1st 20 Jul 1963 **M. Claudia Hays** (b. 28 Jun 1944 -), div. 1968

child: **i.) Russell Allen Moore** (b. 27 May 1965 -)

m. 2nd 12 Jul 1968 to **Donna Mae Bellows** (b. 13 Aug 1943 -)

child: **ii.) Jennifer Lynn Moore** (b. 26 Nov 1968 -)

iii.) Kristina Kay Moore (b. 11 Dec 1970 -)

IV.) Gary Lee Moore (b. 5 Dec 1949 IN -)

m. 1st 9 Jan 1971 to **Kathy Jo Gutchow** - divorced

m. 2nd 19 Oct 1974 to **Denise Wardlow** – divorced

child: **i.) Gary Ted Moore** (b. 2 Feb 1977 -)

- m. 3rd 19 Jul 1977 to **Julie Howard** (b. 16 Nov 1957 -)
 child: **ii.) Sara Dian Moore** (b. 4 Nov 1978 -)
V.) James Scott Moore (b. 3 Jan 1961 IN – d. Jan 2005 FL)
- d.) Delmas Edward Lance** (b. 10 Jan 1919 Pike Co., IN – d. 17 Apr 1986 Oakland City, IN)
 m. 1st 9 Oct 1935 to **Mildred N. Rickrich** (b. 19 Aug 1918 – d. 22 Dec 1943)
 child: **I.) Jerry Allen Lance** (b. 27 Jun 1937 -)
 m. Oct 1958 to **Bonny Bates**
 child: **i.) John Michael Lance** (b. 2 Sep 1959 -)
 m. Iva - divorced
 ch: **1) Chad Lance**
2) Aaron Lance
ii.) Robert Lance (b. 21 Jan 1962 Jacksonville, FL -)
 m. 1st Pam Grubb – divorced
 ch: **1) Heather Lance**
 m. 2nd Cathy – divorced
 ch: **2) Cody Lance**
3) Kelsie Lance
 m. 3rd Terri
 ch: **4) boy Lance**
5) girl Lance
- II.) John Richard Lance** (b. 17 May 1940 -)
 m. 1st 6 Feb 1960 to **Norma E. Snyder** - divorced
 child: **i.) Kenneth Lance** (b. 11 Jul 1960 Lake Co, IN -)
 m. Mrs. Kenneth Lance - divorced
ii.) Kamie Sue Lance (b. 28 Feb 1963 -)
 m. 2nd to Karen
 m. 2nd Annie - divorced
 m. 3rd 27 Feb 1954 to **Artie Faye Reeves** (b. 16 May 1932 Stone Co., AR -)
 child: **III.) Anita Gale Lance** (b. 17 Mar 1955 Batesville, Independence Co, AR -)
 m. 6 Aug 1971 **Michael D. Dougan** (b. 17 Mar 1950 Marion, IL -)
 child: **i.) Anthony P. Dougan** (b. 17 Mar 1972 Oakland City, IN -)
 m. 23 Sep 1995 Vista, CA **Lisa Merritt** (b. 1972 NY)
 ch: **1) Ally Katherine Dougan** (b. 28 Apr 1997 CA)
2) Zack Thos. M. Dougan (b. 2 Nov 1999 NC)
3) Troy Owen Dougan (b. 1 Apr 03 Evansville, IN)
ii.) Wendy Gale Dougan (b. 27 Aug 1975 Evansville, IN -)
 m. 21 Jul 1997 **Timothy W. Fulps** (b. 14 Aug 1970)
 c: **1) Misty Dawn Fulps** (b. 27 Nov 1997 Evansville)
2) Autumn Hunter Fulps (b. 31 Dec 02 Evansville)
- IV.) Rickey Dale Lance** (b. 2 Sep 1957 Evansville, IN -)
 m. 18 Nov 1978 **Kelly Sue Steele/Seitz** (b. 13 Sep 1960 Evansville)
 child: **i.) Jeremy Richard Lance** (b. 30 Apr 1981 Evansville, IN)
 m. 14 Jun 02 Princeton, IN to **Kali Harrington**
ii.) Bethany Faith Lance (b. 14 Dec 1984 Evansville, IN)
- V.) Timothy Trent Lance** (b. 28 Oct 1961 Mishawaka, St. Joseph Co., IN)
 m. 11 Dec 1995 **Michelle Lyn Hensley** (b. 9 Dec 77 AZ), divorced
- D. Robert L. Lance** (b. 21 Dec 1887 Pike Co., IN – d. unknown)
 m. 24 Jan 1909 Pike Co., IN to **Leeta H. Hanby** (b. 17 Jan 1887 Perry Co., IN – d. unknown)
- E. Albert Lance** (b. Mar 1892 IN – d. unknown)
 m. 23 Feb 1912 to **Ada A. Ramsey**
 child: **a.) Ruby Lance**
b.) Josephine Lance
c.) Freda Lance
d.) Goldie Lance
e.) James Lance
f.) Samuel Lance
g.) Lou Lance
h.) Betty Lance
i.) Doris Jean Lance
- F. Alice Lance** (b. 14 Dec 1894 Pike Co., IN – d. unknown)
 m. 11 May 1911 Pike Co., IN to **George W. English** (b. 14 Jan 1891 Pike Co., IN – d. unknown)
- G. Irene Lance** (b. Dec 1896 Pike Co., IN – d. unknown)
- H. Sim Emil Lance** (b. 28 Sep 1901 Ayrshire, Pike Co., IN – d. 2 Oct 1902 Ayrshire, Pike Co., IN)

- 4.) **Simeon Lance Jr.** (b. 11 May 1856 Newburgh, Warrick Co., IN – d. 3 Feb 1924 Newburgh, Warrick Co., IN)
 m. 14 Aug 1878 Warrick Co. IN **Sarah Eliz. Harris** (b. 2 Aug 1859 Rockport, Spencer Co. IN – d. 27 Nov 55)
 child: **A.) Mary Dorothy 'Dollie' Lance** (b. 6 Aug 1879 IN – d. 28 May 1970 Evansville, Vanderburgh Co., IN)
 m. 1st **Mr. Nelson**
 child: **a.) Lloyd Nelson** (b. ca. 1917 – d. unknown)
 m. 2nd **Albert Owen** (b. ca. 1881 IL – d. unknown)
- B.) Samuel Lance** (b. 10 Jun 1880 IN – d. ca. 1925)
 m. **Leona Kirkpatrick** (b. ca. 1883 IN – d. unknown)
- C.) George Arthur Lance** (b. 1881 Newburgh, Warrick Co., IN – d. 22 Jun 1918)
 m. 1st 8 Sep 1900 Winslow, Pike Co, IN **Eva Matilda Morton** (b. ca. 1883 Pike Co, IN), divorced
 child: **a.) baby Lance** (b. 13 Jan 1903 – d. unknown)
 m. 2nd ca. 1903 **Hazel E. Crawford** (b. ca. 1887 Newburgh, IN – d. 18 Jan 47). div. 18 Jan 1919
 child: **b.) Paul Steward Lance** (b. 26 Jan 1904 Warrick Co., IN – d. before 1910)
c.) Arthur Lance (b. 22 Nov 1905 Warrick Co., IN – d. unknown)
 m. **Bea**
- d.) Phama Eva 'Famey' Lance** (b. 11 May 1908 Warrick Co., IN – d. before 1940)
e.) Howard Lance (b. 30 Aug 1912 Warrick Co., IN – d. 11 Jun 1973 Evansville, IN)
 m. **Louise Gertrude Mills** (b. 24 Sep 1914 Evansville, Vanderburgh Co., IN -)
 child: **I.) Howard Leroy Lance** (b. 19 Jan 1939 – d. 2 Jan 1940)
II.) Gary Jerome Lance (b. 10 Nov 1940 Evansville, IN – d. 13 Jun 00 Evansville)
 m. 1st 9 Nov 1961 **Brenda Joyce Hamilton** (b. Evansville), div.
 child: **i.) Melinda Marie Lance** (b. 15 Jan 1967 Evansville, IN)
 m. 1st 13 Mar 1987 **John Smith** (b. TN), divorced
 ch: **1) Tiffany L. Smith** (b. 24 Dec 1987 TN)
2) John Smith (b. 20 Jun 1989 TN)
 m. 2nd 24 Oct 1992 **Louis Nicolopolis** (b. NY), div.
 m. 3rd 25 Sep 1997 KY to **Eli Ford** (b. UT)
 m. 2nd 13 Aug 1984 **Martha Sue Beach** (b. 24 Jun 1945 KY)
- f.) Paul S. Lance** (b. 10 Aug 1915 Evansville, IN – d. 17 Apr 1918 Evansville, IN)
- D.) John Wesley Lance** (b. 11 Nov 1886 Newburgh, Warrick Co., IN – d. 7 Jan 1962)
 m. 1st ca. 1906 to **Maude 'Mamie' Tyre** (b. ca. 1892 IN – d. unknown), divorced
 child: **a.) Marv E. Lance** (b. 2 Sep 1907 Vanderburgh, Co., IN – d. unknown)
 m. 2nd ca. 1925 to **Eva** (b. ca. 1907 KY – d. unknown)
- E.) Lovie Lance** (b. 1 Aug 1889 Newburgh, Warrick Co., IN – d. 14 Oct 1906 Newburgh, IN)
- F.) Sherman J. Lance Sr.** (b. 9 Mar 1891 Warrick Co., IN – d. 5 Feb 1970 Warrick Co., IN)
 m. ca. 1916 to **Anna Williams**
 child: **a.) Sherman Lance Jr.** (b. 1932 – d. 31 May 1986 Morganfield, Union Co., KY)
 m. **Loretta**
 child: **I.) Kathryn Lance** (b. 5 Mar 1957 -)
II.) Dora Sue 'Dodie' Lance (b. 11 Jul 1959 -)
 m. 1st **Mr. McGary**
 child: **i.) Rick McGary** (b. 17 Jan 1976 -)
 m. **Mrs. Rick McGary**
 ch: **1) Ryan McGary** (b. 13 Jul 1998 -)
 m. 2nd **Mr. Axton**
 child: **ii.) Amy Janice Axton** (b. 25 Sep 1982 -)
 m. **Mr. Leach**
 ch: **2) Isaac Douglas Leach** (b. 29 Apr 2004 -)
III.) Sherman Clayton Lance III (b. 14 Jul 1960 -)
- G.) Iola Lance** (b. 9 Jan 1895 Warrick Co., IN – d. unknown)
- H.) Sadie E. Lance** (b. 1 Aug 1898, Newburgh, Warrick Co., IN – d. 2 Oct 1942 Newburgh, IN)
 m. **Mr. Fulford** - divorced
- I.) Frederick Edward Lance** (b. 27 Jan 1902 Newburgh, Warrick Co., IN – d. 16 Feb 93 Evansville, IN)
 m. 1st 29 Jan 1923 **Ethel Tinnemeyer** (b. 16 Apr 1904 Evansville, IN – d. Pike Co, IN), div 1926
 m. 2nd 20 Nov 1926 to **Mae Roy** (b. ca. 1909 IN – d. unknown), divorced 1931
 child: **a.) boy Lance**
b.) girl Lance
 m. 3rd 14 Nov 1931 Warrick Co, IN **Lillian Ruth Barnett** (b. 2 Apr 12 Newburgh, IN) div. 1935
 child: **c.) Ben Robert Lance** (b. 18 Feb 1932 Newburgh, Warrick Co., IN -)
 m. 1955 to **Jeanett Harris**
 child: **I.) Richard James Lance** (b. 11 Sep 1956 -)
 m. 1978 to **Lisa Ann Ingle**
 child: **i.) Brock Lance**
ii.) Carson Lance

- II.) **Randall Robert Lance** (b. 5 Oct 1957 -)
 m. Mrs. **Randall Robert Lance**
 child: **i.) Ben R. Lance**
 ii.) Lacy Lance
- d.) Betty Joann 'Boop' Lance** (b. 23 Jul 1934 Newburgh, Warrick County, IN -)
 m. May 1952 Warrick, IN **Thomas Ray Broshears** (b. 1933 Warrick – d. Aug 2000)
 child: **I.) Vicki Broshears** (b. 1952 Evansville, Vanderburgh Co., IN -)
 m. **Mr. Pinnell**
- II.) **Kent Broshears** (b. IN -)
 III.) **Brian Broshears** (b. IN -)
 IV.) **Julie Broshears** (b. IN -)
 m. 1st **Mr. Anderson**
 m. 2nd **Mr. Stocker**
- m. 4th 7 Mar 1936 Vanderburgh Co, IN **Sarah O'Neil Taylor** (b. 10 Feb 1909 Troy, Perry Co, IN)
 child: **e.) Mary Jane Lance** (b. 11 Sep 1936 Evansville, Vanderburgh Co., IN -)
 m. 1st **Mr. Garrett**
 child: **I.) Jeffery David Garrett** (b. 2 Apr 1957 – d. 28 Mar 2004 Saginaw, MI)
 m. **Michelle Gilbert**
 child: **i.) Mallory Michelle Garrett** (b. 15 Jan 1990 MI -)
 ii.) Justin David Garrett (b. 30 Aug 1992 MI -)
- m. 2nd 21 Sep 1957 **Vernon Lee Bruce** (b. 14 Jul 1937 Evansville, IN -)
 child: **II.) David Lee Bruce** (b. 30 Oct 1968 Henderson, Henderson Co., KY -)
 m. 1st 28 Nov 1988 Evansville, IN, **Kelly D. Potter**, div. 28 Nov 89
 m. 2nd 30 Aug 1991 **Tina Kenshloe** (b. 5 Sep 1967 Evansville -)
 child: **i.) Tanner Scott Bruce** (b. 8 Oct 1996 Evansville, IN -)
- III.) **Kellie Sue Bruce** (b. 7 Jun 1972 -)
 m. 11 Feb 1995 Evansville, **James Thomas Myers** (b. 11 Jun 73 -)
 child: **i.) Mariah Nickole Myers** (b. 24 Aug 97 Evansville, IN -)
 ii.) Samuel MacEgan Myers (b. 30 Apr 2004 -)
- m. 5th to **Alice Janice Baker** (b. 9 Feb 1924 – d. 30 May 2002 Evansville, Vanderburgh Co., IN)
 child: **f.) Sondra Sue Lance** (b. 2 Dec 1945 -)
 m. 21 Aug 1986 Henderson, Henderson Co., KY to **Steve P. Kremer**
 child: **I.) Angie Kremer** (b. ca. 1965 -)
 m. **Mr. West**, divorced
 child: **i.) Amanda West** (b. 29 Aug 1989 -)
 ii.) Heather West (ca. 1992 -)
- II.) **Scott Kremer** (b. ca. 1968 -)
 m. **Andrea**
- g.) Steven Edward Lance** (b. 6 Dec 1946 Newburgh, Warrick Co, IN – d. 13 Apr 91 IN)
 m. 13 Apr 1968 **Charlene Ann Talarzyk** (b. 22 Jan 1948 Evansville, IN -)
 child: **I.) Brandon Eric Lance** (b. 13 Mar 1971 Evansville, Vanderburgh Co., IN -)
 m. 2 Nov 1991 **Eliz. Anne White** (b. 25 Feb 1971 Terre Haute, IN)
 child: **i.) Cameron Lance**
 ii.) girl Lance
- II.) **Brenda Erin Lance** (b. 21 Feb 1974 Evansville, Vanderburgh Co., IN -)
 m. 1994 to **Scott A. Litherland** (b. ca. 1964 -)
 child: **i.) Kursten** (ca. 2001 -)
- III.) **Brina Gail Lance** (b. 23 Jan 1975 Evansville, Vanderburgh Co., IN -)
 m. 6 Mar 1996 **Joseph P. Vidal** (b. 5 Apr 67 New Orleans, LA) div
 child: **i.) Raley Nicole Vidal** (b. 25 Feb 1997 Evansville, IN -)
- h.) Larry Lee Lance** (b. 24 Apr 1948 – d. 15 Oct 1997)
 m. 1st ca. 1964 to **Ida**, divorced
 child: **I.) Denise Lance**
 II.) Kent Lance
- m. 2nd ca. 1972 to **Brenda Sue Norrick** (b. ca. 1952 -), divorced
 III.) Misty Dawn Lance
 m. **unknown**
 child: **i.) Carissa Dawn Lance** (b. Dec 1995 IN -)
- IV.) **Canna Lynn Lance**
 m. **unknown**
 child: **i.) Keagan James Lee Lance** (b. 1997 IN -)
- i.) Daniel Ray Lance** (b. 18 Apr 1949 – d. 18 Jul 1963)

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i.) Randall Keith Lance (b. ca. 1952 -)
 m. Cecelia, divorced
 child: **l.) Elizabeth Audra Lance** (b. 31 Aug 1981 -)
 m. unknown
 child: **i.) Briana Anastasia Lance** (b. 19 Apr 95 – d. 14 Sep 1995)

Family Reunion Update

This will be the last newsletter issued before the June 2005 family reunion in Newburgh, Indiana. According to the RSVP's we have received so far, attendance will be very good. We are expecting family members from across the country to attend, including cousins from: Texas, Oregon, Florida, Ohio, Michigan, and Kentucky. The weekend of June 11-12, 2005, should prove to be a time to remember for years to come! If you have not yet sent in your RSVP, please do so right away. The magical weekend is drawing near very quickly!

We have reserved a room at the American Legion Post #200 in Boonville, Indiana for Saturday, June 11, 2005. The fun and games will be followed by a pot-luck dinner. There is no cost for attending other than bringing a dish (or suitable item) for the potluck dinner. Dress for the occasion will be 'casual'. Come as you are!

A Dutch-treat breakfast is planned for Sunday, June 12, 2005 at the Golden Corral Restaurant. The breakfast will be followed by a 12:00 noon Civil War grave marker re-dedication ceremony at Sharon Cemetery in Newburgh. The dedication ceremony will be conducted to honor Civil War Veteran Finas Euen Lance. The formal ritual will be performed by members of the *Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War* wearing Civil War era uniforms, weapons, and accoutrements.

The reunion will also include a Sunday 'Dogs 'n Burgers' picnic and games at nearby Newburgh Locks and Dam Park in Newburgh. We would love to have you join us for all these activities. They should be a lot of fun. Again, there is no charge for these events. We are all volunteering to bring the food and supplies that are needed.

Reunion Agenda

Saturday, June 11, 2005

Sunday, June 12, 2005

<p>1:00-2:00 Reception & photos American Legion Post #200 1021 E. Main St. Boonville, IN 812-897-2200</p> <p>2:00-4:00 Getting acquainted activities</p> <p>4:00-5:00 Socializing</p> <p>5:00 Group photo</p> <p>5:10-6:30 Pot-luck dinner</p> <p>6:30-9:00 Fun games and socializing</p>	<p>10:00-11:30 Dutch-treat breakfast Golden Corral Restaurant</p> <p>11:30-12:00 Travel to: Sharon Cemetery 700 Sharon Road Newburgh, Indiana (on a hill beside Sharon School)</p> <p>12:00-1:00 Civil War grave marker re-dedication ceremony</p> <p>1:00 -1:30 Travel to: Newburgh Locks and Dam Park 6877 State Road 66 Newburgh, Indiana (about 2 miles east of Newburgh) Corps of Engineers - 812-853-8470</p> <p>1:30-2:00 Outside games and socializing</p> <p>2:00-3:30 'Dogs & Burgers' picnic</p> <p>3:30-6:00 Closing activities - raffle, auction, door prizes, awards, etc).</p>
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