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2021 BRANDYWINE COX FAMILY REUNION — DESCENDANTS OF SOLOMON COX AND NAOMI HUSSEY

WHEN: **June 5th-7th, 2021**
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BANDYWINE DUES AND MEMORIAL CONTRIBUTIONS

We do ask for annual dues for all who wish to contribute to our programs and activities. Our dues schedule is as follows: \$15, \$25, \$50, \$100 or anything in between - or even over. There is no distinction whatever in the different dues, and if you choose not to pay dues, you will still receive our newsletter and reunion notices and will still have access to the website and our family history data base and will be warmly welcomed at our annual meeting and reunion. In short, you will be just like everyone else in the family. If you do choose to pay dues to support our work, send to our treasurer at the above address.



MEETING MOMENT – VISION, LEADERSHIP AND THE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Brandywine family,

By this time, most of you know that we cancelled our 2020 annual meeting and reunion in Lampasas, Texas. The Board very reluctantly made this decision because, of course, of the pandemic sweeping our country and the attendant uncertainties. Our Brandywine activities will continue during the year as usual. Our 2021 annual meeting and reunion is scheduled for 4-6 June, and you can make your room reservations now at the Best Western Plus in Lampasas by calling 512-556-2100 or emailing gm@bwlampasas.com . Mention the Cox reunion.

We are a bit late with this Spring 2020 newsletter due to a variety of family circumstances, but I believe that you will find it worth the wait. We will get back on track with subsequent additions.

We continue to add newly identified cousins throughout the country to our mailing list, and we know that there are undoubtedly thousands that we have not yet located. We urge all of you to forward contact information (mailing address, email address, and phone #) for your Cox relatives (many are not named Cox) to Lisa Sullivan and Debbie Brewer Cox whose contact information are included elsewhere in this newsletter. Also, elsewhere, you will find a plea for brief autobiographies and biographies for you and your relatives that you wish remembered throughout our extended family. You will also find a plea for family stories. Both biographies and stories may be included in our newsletters and will be posted on our website for posterity.

Also, we have enhanced our DNA team by adding newly found cousin Margie Romine of Pasco, Washington, a retired molecular biologist. We will list the full team elsewhere in this newsletter. Finally, we are still in the process of improving our website. Some work has been done, and much remains to be done. It will get done!

We deeply regret the deaths of family members. Obituaries of those we know about are included in this newsletter or will be in the fall/winter edition.

We have a great family!

Your cousin

Joe Cox, President and Chair

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BRANDYWINE COX FAMILY DNA PROJECT TEAM

Brandywine members,

We have recently enhanced our DNA research group with some significant new additions; the full team as currently constituted is listed below. Newly found Cox cousin **Margie Elkins Romine** (Solomon, Jr. line), a retired molecular biologist, is now leading the scientific aspects of our research, and **Debbie Brewer Cox** is responsible for the family history aspect. (Of course, there will be overlap.) **Les Sutton**, the primary originator of our DNA project, remains a vital part of the team. Other team members that we are introducing are **Terry Barwin**, thoroughly knowledgeable in the scientific aspects of DNA research. **Diana Elder**, another newly discovered cousin from the Solomon, Jr., line, is a professional genealogist along with her daughter, **Nicole Dyer**. Diana is not listed on the standing DNA team but is collaborating with Margie and Debbie in researching a particular line using advanced DNA techniques. Margie has written articles, included below, to educate us on Autosomal DNA and on a GEDMATCH Ancestry Project. Our established Y-DNA project will continue as we move forward with enhancements.

BRANDYWINE'S ENHANCED DNA PROJECT TEAM

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BRANDYWINE COX FAMILY DNA PROJECT TEAM – CONTINUED

Brandywine members,

We have recently enhanced our DNA research group with some significant new additions. Newly found Cox cousins Margie Romine and Diana Elder are proposing to collaborate with family history data base manager Debbie Brewer Cox and other Brandywine DNA project managers for research in a particular line using advanced DNA techniques. (Margie Romine, a retired molecular biologist, is writing an article on autosomal DNA for publication in a forthcoming Brandywine newsletter.) Your current Brandywine DNA team of Debbie Cox, Steve Akins, and Terry Barwin supports the request for participants shown below.

Joe Cox
President Brandywine Crucible Inc

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Hello,

*My name is Diana Elder. I'm an Accredited Genealogist and descendant of Benjamin Cox through Rachel Cox. I'm writing a proof argument about Benjamin and his children proven through autosomal DNA. The proof argument will be a work sample in the new book I'm writing with two colleagues: Research Like a Pro with DNA: A Genealogist's Guide. My first book, Research Like a Pro: A Genealogist's Guide details the research process I use in my professional work each day and the DNA book will tackle the process of using DNA in a research project in conjunction with traditional research.*

*For the greatest validity of the proof argument, I need a good sampling of DNA from Benjamin Cox descendants on GEDmatch and am asking any of his descendants to upload their autosomal DNA to GEDmatch. You now have the option to opt out of police enforcement if that is your desire. You don't have to use your full name; using initials or a pseudonym to identify your kit is fine if you're worried about privacy.*

*If you are willing to be included in the proof argument, you'd have the option to be identified by your real name or just by kit #.*

*I have written about my journey using DNA in the Benjamin Cox project on my website, here is the link to the article about my final research report - which also includes links to other related articles and the full report.*

<https://familylocket.com/writing-a-research-report-on-a-dna-research-project/>

*If you have any questions and/or if you decide to be part of the project, please send an email to [Diana@familylocket.com](mailto:Diana@familylocket.com). For inclusion in the project, I'll need your GEDmatch kit # and your direct line back to Benjamin Cox.*

Thanks for your consideration!  
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## BRANDYWINE COX FAMILY DNA PROJECT – CONTINUED

### MAKING THE MOST OF YOUR AUTOSOMAL DNA TEST RESULTS

**What is autosomal DNA?** Autosomal DNA refers to the 22 chromosomes (each differing in size and gene content) that you inherit from both your mother and father; thus you end up with a pair of each of these 22 chromosomes. You also inherit a sex chromosome from each of your parents; if you are a male you inherit an X sex chromosome from your mother and a Y sex chromosome from your father and if you are a female you inherit an X sex chromosome from both you mother and father.

**Why is the Y chromosome special?** Because you have a pair of each of the 22 autosomal chromosomes (and the X chromosomes in females), the paired chromosomes are able to swap segments of DNA (recombination) during development. As a result, when you are born, none of your individual chromosomes are identical to either of your parents. The exception is the unpaired Y sex chromosome carried by males. Because it has no partner to swap with, the Y chromosome does not change much between parent and child and thus especially useful for tracing our very distant paternal ancestors.

**What can we do with Autosomal DNA?** Autosomal DNA, provides us clues as to who our recent (about 5 generations) ancestors are on both the maternal and paternal side. When you get results back from having your autosomal chromosomes sequenced, you can use it to identify people whose chromosomes look most like yours. How closely related these people might be is measured in centimorgans (cM) which reflects the

number of DNA recombination events that have likely occurred between two individuals. For example, you inherited one copy of chromosome 1 from your mother. This maternal chromosome has parts of both her father and mother (due to recombination). With each generation there is another shuffling so you inherit smaller and smaller segments of DNA with each generation further away from you. In general, the higher the cM value, the more closely related two people are. A nice table that provides an estimated range of cM values to expect between relatives is provided by Blaine Bettinger at <https://thegeneticgenealogist.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/Shared-cM-Project-Relationship-Chart.png> (note example abbreviations used are 1C = 1<sup>st</sup> cousin, 1C2R = 1<sup>st</sup> cousin twice removed).

**Why you should submit your DNA results to multiple services?** Many vendors provide sequencing and also sometimes DNA matching services. Most vendors only match your DNA to other people that have taken the same test (e.g. Ancestry, 23andMe). However, some vendors, like FamilyTreeDNA and MyHeritage, allow you to upload data generated by other vendors so that you can compare your kit to those in that vendors database. The limitation then becomes how many people submit their DNA kits to other vendor sites. If the purpose of getting your DNA tested was to find relatives or build trees, you will benefit most by submitting your DNA kits to as many vendors as possible.





## BRANDYWINE COX FAMILY DNA PROJECT – CONTINUED

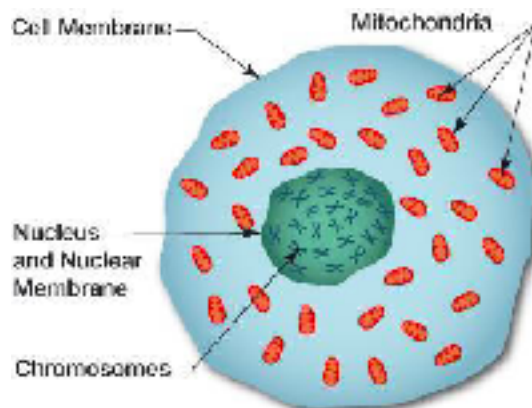
**Gedmatch, another great service for DNA matching.** Another site that I would like to promote that the Cox family to use is GEDMATCH (<https://www.gedmatch.com/select.php>). They do not provide sequencing services, but instead provide tools for identifying relatives via comparison of DNA kits. They allow upload of DNA kits from more vendors than other sites allow and thus have the potential to reveal the most relatives. They also allow you to upload your trees, in GEDCOM format, and then compare them to discover ancestors or descendants that are missing in your tree. The service is free for anyone to use. This site is used by the police to find criminals, but you have the choice to opt out if you do not want them to use your data.

If we can get 50 people to submit their kits to GEDMATCH we can start a Cox group project on their site which will make it easier to sort through all of the matches to find the ones descending from our Cox family. This is important, as you will find that it is very difficult to figure out where your matches fit in your family tree.

The site offers several easy to follow videos (<https://www.gedmatch.com/Info.php#3>) that explain how to use the tools that they provide. In a separate newsletter posting I will tell you about how you can use GEDMATCH to generate information needed to map your DNA matches on your chromosomes using a separate free service called DNA Painter and how that might be useful to test hypotheses on family relationships.

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# BRANDYWINE COX FAMILY DNA PROJECT – CONTINUED

## Creating a GEDMATCH Ancestor Project

GEDMATCH has released a new resource called Ancestor Projects. These projects allow administrators to assemble a group of DNA matches that is comprised of defined set of DNA testers (e.g., from same geographic region, same last name, etc.). Once created members of the group will be able to restrict their GEDMATCH Autosomal DNA match analyses to other members of the group. Once you have registered (for free) at GEDMATCH you can take a look at some of the other groups that already exist by linking to text at the bottom of the list under DNA Applications (show on left). As you can then see an added benefit for the group is that we can advertise our various websites and potentially recruit new members to the Brandywine Crucible.



**Requirement to Start a GEDMATCH Ancestor Project.** To create a new Ancestor project, we need a list of 50 GEDMATCH IDs from our membership. We can supplement this list with nonmembers that we know are related to the Cox's. Margie Romine will submit this list to GEDMATCH in a request to create a Brandywine Crucible Ancestor group. Our DNA group will have Administrator privilege for this site and have responsibility for accepting or denying requests to join. We will be asking that potential members supply their pedigree and GEDMATCH ID.

**What you Can do to Help Out.** If you are a Cox blood descendent and have submitted your autosomal DNA to GEDMATCH please send your GEDMATCH ID to Margie Romine ([mbromine@charter.net](mailto:mbromine@charter.net)). Also include your pedigree in case we do not already have it. Please also include IDs from other family members that are descendants of the Coxes and that you have acquired permission to include in this list.

If you have not already submitted your DNA to GEDMATCH please submit your DNA to GEDMATCH at <https://www.gedmatch.com>. You must register first and then go to the upload area on the right-hand panel of the first page you see when you login. Fill in the form and upload the raw DNA file you downloaded from whichever vendor you had your autosomal DNA sequenced at. Once your DNA has been analyzed (may take a few days) you should see your kit number appear under the left-hand panel of the front page under "Your DNA resources". Send this ID along with your pedigree to Margie Romine.





# BIOGRAPHIES AND FAMILY STORIES

## **BRANDYWINE NEEDS YOUR BIOGRAPHIES**

One of our major goals as an organization is to collect and preserve our family history and to inform members of our extended family about that history. One of the ways we do this is to collect your autobiographies and the biographies of your family members that you know as well as or better than anyone else. We certainly are interested in famous or notable family members that you may know about, but truly we are interested in every family member. You have a life's story that no one else has, and that story is important to our extended family. Also, you will have a parent, grandparent, uncle, aunt, etc., whose story you can tell. Some of them, and perhaps you, may have lived through the Great Depression and World War II. Those experiences need to be preserved for our young people today and for future generations. We will publish what we have room for in our newsletter, and we will post all of them on the Brandywine website.

These biographies can be as long or as short as your wish. Tell your story - and your relatives'. Indicate your family line (child of Solomon or Naomi Hussey Cox or an ancestor as far back as you know) to help our family history data base manager and our web master properly index the documents. We hope that all of you will do this.

## **BRANDYWINE NEEDS YOUR FAMILY STORIES**

In keeping with our goal of preserving our family history, we also collect stories. If there is a story that has been passed down through your family, there probably is a substantial amount of truth to it. Like biographies, it may be unique to your particular family, and if you don't record it, it may well be lost. It may be humorous, tragic, or in between, or just a family member's involvement in an event that you consider worthy of sharing, but if you are willing to share, we would like to have it. It can be whatever length you want it to be. We are not necessarily looking for scholarly papers, although, of course, we will accept them. But we want to record the family history, and family stories are a big part of that history. We would like to know the source (grandma, Uncle Ed, etc.), but you don't have to footnote or anything like that unless you want to. You will find examples on our website. We will include at least some, if not all, in our newsletter and post all of them on our website. Identify your family line as far back as you know. We do hope that you will do this.

Please submit your stories to Debbie Brewer Cox, 708 Creekrige Dr., Goodrich, TX 77335, [brandywinecrucible@gmail.com](mailto:brandywinecrucible@gmail.com), for inclusion in our family history data base and in our newsletter. Copy webmaster Mark Werner, 112 Dundee Grace, New Braunfels, TX 78130-8800, [2014mdw@gmail.com](mailto:2014mdw@gmail.com), 830-620-0879, for inclusion on our web site.





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# BRANDYWINE COX FAMILY LIAISONS AS OF 20 JUNE 2019

## CHILDREN OF SOLOMON COX, SR. & NAOMI HUSSEY

### RESEARCH COMMITTEE CHAIR

In Remembrance of William Ellett 'Bill' Langston (1946-2019)  
who served as the Brandywine Research Chair

*In Loving Memory*

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**For more information on the various family lines of Solomon Cox, Sr. & Naomi Hussey, please contact one of the family line liaisons listed above.**

Additional information can be found on the Brandywine Cox Family Tree Database at:

Brandywine Cox Family, Descendants of Solomon Cox & Naomi Hussey  
<https://lessutton.tribalpages.com>

## OTHER COX REUNIONS — All Family Lines Welcome

### DESCENDANTS OF NATHAN & DORCAS KING COX - COX ARKANSAS REUNION

WHEN: TBA  
WHERE: Boonville, Arkansas  
LOCATION: Lone Community Building on Hwy 23, ten miles from Boonville, Arkansas  
CONTACT: Dana Cox, 479-206-1346; wayneanddanna00@gmail.com  
Barbara King Miller, 479-646-9489, [bamiller31@cox.net](mailto:bamiller31@cox.net)  
OTHER: Bring a covered dish & Cox history.

### DESCENDANTS OF SAMUEL COX; RHODES-COX REUNION

WHEN: TBA  
WHERE: Happy, Texas  
LOCATION: Community Center  
CONTACTS: \*Claude & Freida Cox, 325-748-5221  
5580 Hughly Lane, Blanket, Texas 76432-6538  
\*Linda Cox, 806-622-1631; (c) 806-678-8412 (r) 806-622-1631  
13995 Halsey Trail, Amarillo, Texas 79118  
[paandmacox@suddenlink.net](mailto:paandmacox@suddenlink.net) — not good

### DESCENDANTS OF GEORGE W. COX, SR. (SON OF SAMUEL COX & MARTHA (COX) COX)

WHEN: April or May 2021  
WHERE: Belton, Bell, Texas  
LOCATION: **Harris Community Center, 401 North Alexander Street, Belton, TX 76513**  
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If you need directions in Belton on day of reunion after 9:00 a.m. call Kathy Cox's cell: 512-636-0543  
OTHER: Pot Luck to share at noon; —No kitchen available;  
Bring photos and family history to share

### DESCENDANTS OF DANIEL COX / DESCENDANTS OF JOHN MELT COX & SUSIE PATRICK

WHEN: TBA  
WHERE: Whitley City, Kentucky  
LOCATION: Senior Citizens Building, McCreary County Park (off Hwy 27)  
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\*Cindy Schmidt, 10799 Lewistown Road, Cordova, Maryland 21625-2417  
OTHER: Potluck dinner

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### DESCENDANTS OF CHRISTOPHER COX & 'NEALY' COX

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WHEN: September 19, 2020  
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### DESCENDANTS OF JOSPEH COX

WHEN: TBA  
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### DESCENDANTS OF WM. MADISON TUCKER COX & FANNIE LINDSEY COX REUNION

WHEN: TBA  
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## Essay Contest

### ENTRY DEADLINE:

May 2021

To discover and document more family stories and create more interest in family history amount younger generations, Brandywine is sponsoring an essay contest for young family historians!

SUBJECT: Cox & Related Family

Essays can be based on a specific family member or on families based on information handed down through written or oral histories.

Entries must be typewritten, double spaced with a cover page containing:

Story Title  
Your Cox Family Line  
Your Name  
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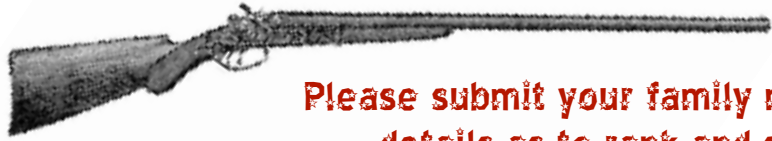
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# COX MILITARY PROJECT

**YOU CAN HELP PRESERVE OUR MILITARY HISTORY!!**



Please submit your family military history, including photo, details as to rank and service to **MARTY BURNETT,**

[llbrbr@aol.com](mailto:llbrbr@aol.com)



**John William Cox**  
(1871-1900)

Spanish American War - died in the Philippines, buried with a jar containing his info. Later remains moved to The Presidio cemetery in San Francisco CA. Cox

**Lineage:** Joseph Cox, Daniel Cox and wife Amy Cox (1st cousins married- Daniel son of Absalom and Amy dau of Stephen- Absalom and Stephen son of Solomon Cox {American Revolution})



**John Henry Lofton Cox**  
(1894-1926)

WW I- US Army- Priv. 360th Infantry- France - wounded in action

**Lineage:** Cornelius Cox, Andrew Jackson Cox, Cornelius Cox, Christopher Cox, Solomon Cox Sr.



**Crit Cox**  
(1882-1941)

Joined US Army about 1900 Cox

**Lineage:** Daniel Cox (Civil War Vet), Christopher Cox, Stephen Cox, Solomon Cox





# RESEARCH QUESTIONS ??

## DO YOU HAVE A QUESTION?

If you have a question about your family lines or any family line, feel free to submit your questions for publication in our newsletter. You never know, someone may have all the answers you have been looking for!!

Just email me at:

[brandywinecrucible@gmail.com](mailto:brandywinecrucible@gmail.com) with  
your questions or comments

## BOLLING OR LAY FAMILIES

Does anyone know much about the Bolling or Lay families? They have ties to the Cox and my Millican line.

Cindy Kilmer

[kilmerca@yahoo.com](mailto:kilmerca@yahoo.com)

## REQUEST Walter W. 'Spec' Cox

We have a request from Walter W. "Spec" Cox for assistance in learning more about a medical issue prevalent in his genealogical line, namely, hemophilia.

Spec is descended from Solomon and Naomi Hussey Cox through Solomon, Jr., down through Joseph, Solomon Benjamin, and Emerson. One question is whether family lines other than through Solomon, Jr., have experienced hemophilia.

Do you have any knowledge of hemophilia in your respective lines? If you have the time, we would appreciate your checking with some relatives.

Any help that we in Brandywine can provide will be greatly appreciated by Spec and his close relatives who are keenly interested in this issue. Please contact Spec with any information you have or can obtain at [ccox64@sbcglobal.net](mailto:ccox64@sbcglobal.net), ph. 806-543-2746.





# RESEARCH LINKS

## **The Brandywine Cox Family Website:**

[.http://homepages.rootsweb.com/~brandywi/index.html](http://homepages.rootsweb.com/~brandywi/index.html)

## **Brandywine Crucible Inc. FACEBOOK group**

To join the group you must answer the genealogical questions related to your family line to be approved.

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/103431246361263/>

## **Quaker COX family researchers FACEBOOK group**

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/622021304583628/>

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There is a lot about our early ancestors in this book (back to Thomas the vintner). It is a bit difficult to read and consequently the search inside tool misses a lot of names, but you can blow it up to read it manually. On page 12 it starts with the abstract of the will of Thomas the Vintner. ~ Margie Romine

<https://archive.org/details/coxfamilyofwayne00coxh/page/44/mode/2up>

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A historical resource site for the Upper New River Valley of North Carolina and Virginia.

<https://www.newrivernotes.com>

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THE HUSSEY MANUSCRIPT

<http://freepages.rootsweb.com/~gowenrf/genealogy/husseymms.htm>

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The Cox Family in America:

[https://archive.org/stream/coxfamilyinamer00coxgoog/coxfamilyinamer00coxgoog\\_djvu.txt](https://archive.org/stream/coxfamilyinamer00coxgoog/coxfamilyinamer00coxgoog_djvu.txt)

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GENEALOGICAL RESEARCH SITES:

fold3.org

ancestry.com

Find-a-Grave.com

www.dar.org





FAMILY STORIES

Margie Romine ran across this article describing her aunt **Maxine Margay ELKINS Bos**:

This article does a great job of giving you a feeling for the remarkable woman that she was. In addition to collecting insects, she also collected stamps and raised show dogs. She spent most of her life living overseas with her dutch husband, Dirk Bos. They lived in Sneek, Netherlands when I visited her in 1973 and in 1986 on the island of Mallorca which is part of Spain. They moved back to the Netherlands when her health began failing.

Margay was born in Fort Worth, Texas on August 2, 1920 and passed away in Heerenveen, Friesland, Netherlands on April 2, 2009. She is the daughter of George Lemuel Elkins and Nancy Bethina Cox. Nancy descends from Solomon Cox and Naomi Hussey through their son Solomon and wife Martha Dixon, their son Benjamin Cox and wife Casiah Barbee, their son William Thomas Cox and wife Elizabeth, and their son George Riley Cox and wife Narcissa Isabel Glover.

Sunday, November 24, 1957 FORT WORTH STAR-TELEGRAM Section

Blond Chases Jungle Quarry



—Star-Telegram Photo.
COLLECTOR . . . Mrs. Maxine Margay Bos.

BY JIM W. JONES.

Running after butterflies in the dense Colombian jungle of South America is not the kind of hobby most housewives would be enthusiastic about.

But Mrs. Maxine Margay Bos loves it.

The blond butterfly chaser, who is visiting Fort Worth this week, spends five hours each day pursuing the bright-winged creatures while her husband supervises production on five Shell Oil Company oil fields.

It can be a dangerous hobby sometimes. Mrs. Bos frequently sees black panthers and boa constrictors while making her way through the forest with a machete and butterfly net. She thinks catching a good specimen is worth the risk, though.

"One of the greatest thrills of my life is when I catch the butterfly I'm after," she declared. "I get so nervous I can hardly breathe." What happens when she misses?

"Butterfly collectors learn how to cuss mighty fast," she replied.

Her husband, a Dutchman, who stands 6 feet, 8 inches, doesn't share her enthusiasm for the hobby and refuses to pick up a butterfly net. "He doesn't think it's manly," she smiled.

Mrs. Bos has been a collector since April, and she is a valuable butterfly source for museums, including the American Museum of Natural History and Smithsonian Institution.

She hasn't forgotten Fort

Worth, either. Last week part of her collection went to Forest Park Zoo and the Children's Museum. "Everyone here seems so interested that I plan to send more," she said.

Globetrotting is another of Mrs. Bos' hobbies.

During the first year of her marriage she lived on five continents. "We didn't know whether the company was promoting us or trying to get rid of us," she laughed.

Mrs. Bos still moves around quite a bit. After her visit with a sister, Mrs. E. J. Beasley, here, she will fly to Pittsburgh, New York, and on to Holland, Spain and Portugal before returning to Casabe, Colombia.

In New York she will talk to museum officials and meet

Dirk, her husband. They plan to go to his home in Freesland, Holland. Mrs. Bos says Freesland is the Texas of Europe.

"It's amazing," he said. "All the men are tall and dark and they even brag like Texans." She met her husband at the exclusive Holland Club in New York while she was with an industrial firm. "I was the only woman in the world at that time who designed industrial furnaces," she said.

Her only ambition now, however, is to collect butterflies. She depends on many sources to trap the insects — womanly intuition, keen eyesight, smelly bait made of rotten bananas, pretty bait made of blue satin.

"You have to be original," she said.

While in the jungle she also picks up chrysalises, the gold-colored pupae of butterflies. "The weather down there stays the same — stinking hot — and it's very good for hatching butterflies," she said.

When she's not after insects, Mrs. Bos plays golf on their nine-hole course, which is a drained swamp, and practices with another hobby that she is just learning.

The new hobby is snake collecting. She and another lady butterfly collector are just beginners, but they have already picked up a few snakes.

"All we do is pick the snakes up with a stick and pop them into the deep freeze," she said. "They stop wiggling every time."



MONNIG'S

The Merry Christmas Store

SHOW

Lineage:

Maxine Margay Elkins > Nancy Bethina Cox > George Riley Cox > William Thomas Cox > Benjamin Cox > Solomon Cox Jr. > Solomon Cox & Naomi Hussey



SIR JOHN HUSSEY'S WILL - OCTOBER 2, 1535

Submitted by: Marie Antee Polly (> Maudi Evelyn Flynn > Effie Ethney Cox > William Jasper aka Charlie King Cox > Joseph King Cox > Nathan Cox > Thomas Isaac Cox > Solomon Cox & Naomi Hussey)

I located the 3 page copy of Sir John Hussey's will. It appeared that he had almost finished it, but not signed the document before he was beheaded. It was found at a later date but not recorded because it was unsigned. I found it was very full of information, and interesting in the manner he handled the protecting of his estate with his heir (oldest son).

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LORD HUSSEY AND THE LINCOLNSHIRE REBELLION.

Amongst the collection of State Papers preserved in the Public Record Office are some curious documents relating to John, Lord Hussey of Sleaford, who in 1537 was attainted and executed for being concerned in the Lincolnshire rebellion. Three of these documents are specially interesting. We will take them in order of date. The first is Lord Hussey's will; the second, written after his arrest, is a statement—which he has been ordered to make—containing everything he knew concerning the outbreak; and the third a petition, addressed to the king, in which he prays that those to whom he is still a debtor may not suffer by his own forfeiture and attainder.

As the will—the earliest of the three documents set apart for notice—is not found amongst those at Somerset House, a full summary of its contents may be interesting. It is unsigned, and written on paper in a clear, neat hand; indeed, it would seem to be the very document to which it was intended that Lord Hussey should afterwards affix his signature. Its date—Oct. 22, 1535—suggests the fact that the testator's arrest, just about that time, prevented its ever being

signed. It was probably seized, together with his other property, when he was arrested.

John Lord Hussey was the eldest son of Sir William Hussey and his wife Elizabeth; Sir William, an eminent lawyer during the reign of Edward IV., was raised to the office of Lord Chief Justice of the King's Bench in 1481;* he died about the year 1495, his wife surviving him. In her will, dated in 1503, we find John Hussey already described as “*Knight*.” During the year 1521 he was made Chief Butler of England,† and in 1529, being then a Knight of the King's body,‡ had summons as “*Johannes Hussey de Sleaford, Chivaler*” to the Parliament which met at Westminster on November 3 in that year. Lord Hussey's name also appears amongst the signatures to the document which was sent from England to Pope Clement VII., praying him to yield to Henry's request for the divorce. In 1529, when many depositions of important witnesses were taken concerning the marriage of Prince Arthur with Catherine of Arragon, we find Lord Hussey giving evidence, and describing himself as being “*63 years of age*”;§ at the time, therefore, that the following will was prepared for him, he must have nearly completed his seventieth year.

“*In the name of God, Amen, I Sir John Huse Knight, Lord Huse, the xxii daye of October in the year of our Lord Godd m' v' xxxv, and in the xxvii yere of the reign of King Henry the VIIIth, being of perfecte mynde and good rememberance, laude and prayse be to Almyghtie God, Albeit being some what sicke in my body do constitute make and declare my last wyll and testament as well concernyng the disposicon and ordering of my Manors, Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments, as of my gooddes and cattells, in maner and forme following, That is to wete First and principally I bequethe my soule to Almightye Godd my Maker, Redeemer and Saviour, and to our Blessed Lady Saint Mary, and to all the company of Heaven, And my body to be buried in the churche of Sempingham in the countie of Lyncoln, if I fortune to dye within sevy nmyles of the same Churche And if I fortune not to dye within sevy nmyles of the said Churche of Sempingham, then I wyll my body to be buried in suche churche as it shall please my executors and overseers of this my testament and last wyll. And that thear be spent and bestowid by their discrecons in, at, and abowte, my buriall and funerall expences the some of one hundrethe markes sterlynge, and not above. Also I wyll that my wellbiloved wif, the Lady Anne Huse|| shall*

* Pat. Roll, 21 Edw. IV., p. 2, m. 6.

† Pat. Roll, 13 Hen. VIII., p. 2, m. 7.

‡ Pat. Roll, 21 Hen. VIII., p. 2, m. 1.

§ B. M., Vitellius xii, fol. 98.

|| Dugdale, citing as his authority Glover's collections, states that Lord Hussey married twice; firstly, Anne, daughter of George, Earl of Kent; and, secondly, Margaret, daughter and heir of Simon Blount. This is clearly wrong. Anne must have been his last wife, being, as we see, his wife when he made his will, and it is hardly likely that, between the time of making his will and his own execution, she should have died and he married a second time.





have to hyr and hyr assignes for terme of hyr lyf for and in the name of hyr Joyntour and Dower all that my manor of Brig Casterton, with the app^t in the countie of Rutland, And all my Lands Tents and Hereditis in Brig Casterton in the said county of Rutland And also my Manors of Woodhedd, Pikworthe, Infelde, and Outefelde, with the app^t in the said countie of Rutland. And also all my Lands, Tents, &c.....in Woodhedd, Owneby, Pikworthe, Infelde and Outefelde with the appts in the said Counties of Rutland and Lyncoln. And I wyll farther that my feoffes of and in the said manors, lands, &c..... before by me willed and appointed unto the said Lady Anne Huse, my wife, &c.....shall stand and be seized thereof for terme of hyr lyf, And immediately after hyr decease I wyll that my said feoffes, and their heyres, shall stand and be seized of and in all and singler the said Manors, Lands, &c.....to the use and performance of this my Last Wyll, and payment of my detts and Legacies if they be not at that tyme performyd fulfilled and paid. And my detts so paid, and will performyd; I wyll that immediately after the same my said feoffes shall stand and be seized of and in the said Manors, Lands &c.....to the use of my sonne Sir William Huse Knight,* and of the heyres male of his body lawfully begotten for ever, And for default of issue male of the bodye of the said Sir William Huse to the use of Thomas Huse, my son, and of the heyres male of his body lawfully begotten for ever, And for default of issue male of the bodye of the said Thomas Huse to the use of Gilbert Huse my son and of the heyres male of his body lawfully begotten for ever, And for defaulte of issue male of the bodye of the said Gilbert Huse to the use of the heyres male of the bodye of my sonne Sir Giles Huse Knight, lawfully begotten for ever.† And for defaulte of issue male of the body of the said Sir Giles Huse Knight to the use of the heyres male of the body of my brother Sir William Huse Knight lawfully begotten for ever, And for defaulte of issue male of the bodye of the said Sir William Huse Knight to the use of my brother Sir Robert Huse Knight, and of the heyres male of his bodye lawfully begotten for ever. And for defaulte of such issue male, as before is expressed, and of every of them, Then I wyll that my said feoffes, and there heyres shall stand and be seized, of and in the premisses and every parcel thereof to the use of the heyres of the bodye of me the said Lord Huse lawfully begotten for ever. And for defaulte of suchie issue to the use of the right heyres of me the said Lord Huse for ever.

"And farther I wyll that the said Lady Anne Huse shall have, take, levie and perceve yerely to hyr and hyr assignes to hyr owne use for terme of hyr lif naturall in performance of hyr joyntour and dower Twentie poundes sterling of the yerely rentes, &c.....of my manors of Castell Biteham, Biteham Parcke, and Little Biteham with the appts in the countie of Lyncoln. The said Twentie pounds to be paid to hyr yerely at two termys in the yere; that is to saye at the Feastes of Saint Martyn in Wynter and Pentecost by evyn porcions.

"And I wyll that my feoffes immediately after my decease shall stand and be seized of and in the said

manors of Castell Biteham, Biteham Parcke, and Little Biteham and oder the premisses aforesaid to the use and performance of the payement of the said yerely rent in maner and forme aforesaid.

"Also I wyll that Thomas Huse my son shall have to hym and to his heyres for ever all my Lands, Tents, &c.....in the Toune and felde of Ingoldesby in the said countie of Lyncoln which I myself before this tyme have purchased.

"Also I wyll that the said Thomas Huse my son shall have my ferme or Lease of Hanbek Grange in the countie of Lyncoln aforesaid and all my title right &c.....by what name or names so ever it be called; the which ferme I have to me and myn assignes by reason of an Indenture or Lease thereof unto me made by the Abbot and Convent of the Monasterye of Valle Dei under their convent seale for terme of certain yery, &c.....

"Also I will and bequethe to my said son Gilbert Huse, my Lordship of Sapperton in the countie of Lyncoln with the appts, &c.....

"Also I wyll that the said Gilbert Huse my son shall have to hym, his executours and assignes the custodie wardship and mariage of Roulland Sherrard son and heyre of Robert Sherrard deceased, And all my interest &c.....of in and to all these manors Lands, &c.....which I have, or of right ought to have, by reason of the nonage, custodie or wardship of the said Roulland Sherrard, or of his Lands, &c.....during the nonage of the same Roulland Sherrard with all comodities, &c.....

"Also I will and bequethe to my daughter Marye Huse, fyve hundred marks of good and Lawfull money of England towards her mariage, And to my daughter Brigett Huse oder fyve hundred marks of good and Lawfull money of England, toward her mariage. Whiche said somes of one Thousand marks, I will my said wife the Lady Anne Huse, hyr executours or assignes shall have, &c....., for and towards the mariages of my said two daughters Marye and Brigett as is aforesaid within the space of Tenne yerys next immediately ensewing after my decease in maner and form following. That is to wete yearly during the same Tenne yerys one hundred marks by yere untill suche tyme that the said one thousand marks be Recevyd and hadd. Of the whiche said yerely some of one hundred marks, twentie poundes to be recevyd yerely during the said tenne yerys by my said wife the Lady Anne Huse, hyr ex'ors or assignes, of the ex'ors of Cristofer Wymbursh deceased,* And Fiftie marks to be recevyd yerely during the same Tenne yerys of Barchayes Lands, And the residew of the said one hundred marks to be recevyd yerely during the said Tenne yerys of my fearme of the Parke of Folkingham in the said countie of Lyncoln. And if it happen the said Marye and Brigett, my daughters, or either of them, to dye before thei or either of them shall be marryed, then I wyll that the parte or partes of hyr, or them so being dedd shall be delyverid to my ex'ors to the performance of this my last wyll. Also I wyll that my feoffes, their heyres and assignes shall immediately after my decease stand and be seized of and in my manors of Castell Biteham, Little Biteham, Blankenay, Brannston, Boston, and Skyrbek, with the app^t in the countie of Lyncoln, And of and in my manor of Kynsall with the app^t in the countie of Nottingham, And also of and in my manor of Brampton, with the app^t in the countie of Huntington, And of, and in, all my Lands, Tents, &c.....in Castell Biteham &c.....to the use and intent that thei my said feoffes, and their heyres shall suffer myn ex'ors and there assignes to have levye &c.....the rents revenues &c.....of all the same manors of Castell

* On July 22, 1529, an indenture was made between Lord (then Sir John) Hussey and his son and heir William for a marriage settlement of the latter.

† Dugdale mentions Lord Hussey's children by his first wife to have been Giles, Thomas, Bridget, Elizabeth, Anne, and Dorothy; by his second wife William, Giles (of Carthorpe), Gilbert, Reginald, and Elizabeth. In 5 Eliz., Lord Hussey's children were restored in blood only (see Journals of Parliament).

* Wymbursh, see after.



Biteham &c.....with the app^{ts}, And of and in all my Lands, Tents, and Hereditis in Castell Biteham &c..... aforesaid with all my woods sayls yerely thereof to be sold for and to the payement of my detts and performance of my Legacies untill suche tyme that all my treu detts and Legacies be with the rents issues &c.....thereof, fully and treuly contentid, satisfied and paid.

"Also I wyll that my said feoffes shall stand and be seased of and in my manors of Castle Biteham, Little Biteham, Southwitham, Blanknay, Brannton, Dirington, Boston, Skyrbek, Kirkby—Laythorp, Brampton, and New Sleaford, immediately after my detts paid to the use of my sonne Sir William Huse Knight, and of the heyres male of his bodye, Lawfully begotten. And for defaulte of issue male of the bodye of the said Sir William Huse &c.....[remainder as before to his several sons in succession, and his two brothers, with ultimate remainder to the testator's own right heirs]. Also I will that my said wife the Lady Anne Huse by the advice of my welbiloved brother Sir Robert Huse Knight shall have the Rule, ordering, governaunce, and fynding of all my said children with all the Lands, Rents &c.....to them and every of them by me gevyn or bequethed, by reason of this my Last Wyll and Testament or otherwise, untill such tyme that thei shall severally come to their lawfull age, or be maryed And of this my present last wyll and Testament I constitute and make my said brother Sir Robert Huse Knight my treu and lawful executor to see this my wyll treuly performed and executed according to the tenour and effects thereof, to whome I beqwethe for his labour Twentie pounds sterlyng, and his costs abowte the execution of the same.

"And I comande and charge my son and heyre appaunte Sir William Huse Knight, upon my blessing that he at eny tyme after my decease do not eny act or acts, thinge or things that shall or may be to the lette, herte or prejudice of the execution and performance of this my last Wyll and Testament &c.....[The testator then provides that if—within six months after his death—his son Sir William Huse should find sufficient surety for the payment of the testator's debts and legacies, the assurance of his wife's jointure &c. then that he (Sir William) should become the sole Executor of the will, and Sir Robert Huse be discharged of all further rule and power]. And that the same Sir William Huse my son do have for and towards the payement of my detts and performance of my legacies and wyll All my plate, cattell, shepe and stuff of household that shalbe at the tyme of my decease within or upon the manor of Old Sleaford in the said Countie of Lyncoln, and being then at the tyme of the said suretie so hadd and taken as is aforesaid unadmynistred or distributed and not by me beqwethed or geven to my said wife or children so that the same Sir William Huse Knight do not in any wise medle with the receipt of the said one thousand marks before by me willed unto my said two daughters Marye and Brigett for and towards their mariages otherwise than myn executor or executors shuld have medled with the same by reason of this my last wyll as is aforesaid but that the same Sir William Huse shall permyte and suffer my said wife her executors and assignes to have and receive the same thousand marks in maner and forme as is above declared without lette or interupcion of the same Sir William Huse Knight or of eny oder by his procurement. [The testator then appoints the Lord Chief Justice of England and Chief Justice of the Common Pleas to be the overseers of his will.]

"And also by this my present last wyll and testament I do clere, revoke and adnullle all other wills and Testaments before this tyme by me made, spokyn, written or declaryed concernyng the disposicion of my lands and tents. And further I wyll that this my present last

wyll and testament Do stand abide and be reputid and taken for my fulle and hooles last wyll and Testament Any wyll or Testament by me heretofore made or declared to the contrary notwithstanding."

WILLIAM JOHN HARDY.

(To be continued.)

"THE FIGHT AT DAME EUROPA'S SCHOOL,"
AND THE LITERATURE CONNECTED WITH IT.

(Concluded from p. 403.)

136. *Who's afraid? or, all about the Row in Dame Europa's School. By an Eton boy. Pp. 32. London, [1871], 12mo.—Represents England as desirous to support her honour by intervention, but restrained by Mr. Gladstone's Government till she can stand it no longer. Too late she makes preparations for an active policy. Advertised in the *Times*, Feb. 16, 1871, and Feb. 20. Author known.

Why John Bull grumbled, see No. 170.

137. *"Why Johnny didn't interfere." An answer to *The Fight at Dame Europa's School*. Sixteenth thousand. Pp. 11. London, 1871, 16mo.—In favour of neutrality; against France, or rather Napoleon III. In the *sixteenth, *twenty-third, *thirtieth, and *forty-first thousands the cover has the additional words "revised and enlarged." They are almost identical in type, and both letter and postscript are signed "Johnny." Advertised as "just published," *Times*, Feb. 2, 1871, Feb. 9. "Twentieth thousand, new edition enlarged," *Times* Feb. 15, 17. Author known.

138. *A widely different account of the Fight in Dame Europa's School. By an Old Boy. Pp. 31. London, 1871, 16mo.—In favour of English neutrality: against France and for Germany. Advertised in the *Times* March 13, 1871, and March 15.

139. *William and Louis; or how "the Fight at Dame Europa's School" began, was carried on, and is likely to end. Pp. 22. Dublin, 1871, 16mo.—In favour of neutrality on England's part: suggests a conference of the great powers to prevent Germany from misusing her victorious position. Author known.

140. *Young John Bull's letter to his Grandmother "Mistress Britannia." Containing the only authentic account of his conduct and opinions. Pp. 24. London and Leamington, 1871, 16mo.—In favour of non-intervention: against France and for Germany at the commencement of the war; afterwards Germany is regarded as having "hardened its heart," while the position of France excites pity. Advertised as "just ready" in the *Times* Feb. 25, 1871. Author known.

141. *The Zoological Gardens of Europa. Pp. 29. London, [1877], 16mo.—An allegorical history of recent affairs in Europe; the Franco-German war appears as an episode in wider complications of European politics.

PART III.—WORKS OF FICTION OF THE SAME CLASS
OR ON THE SAME SUBJECT AS "THE FIGHT AT
DAME EUROPA'S SCHOOL," NOT DIRECTLY CON-
NECTED WITH IT.

142. *Esop's new War Fables, by Augustus Brackenbury. Fifth thousand. Pp. 48. London, 1871, 16mo.—The fifth thousand is advertised as "now ready" in the *Times*, Feb. 15, 1871.

143. *A Guillaume I^{er}, roi de Prusse par la Grâce divine, et empereur d'Allemagne par l'effusion du sang. Pp. 15. London, 1871, 8vo.—French poem: signed "Nemo" and dated Jan. 1, 1871.



WILLIAM THOMAS COX (1827-1912)

WILLIAM THOMAS 'BILLY' COX

Submitted by Margaret Frances 'Margie' Elkins Romine

[Lineage: Margaret Frances Elkins > George Duey Elkins > George Riley Cox > William Thomas Cox > Benjamin Cox > Solomon Cox Jr. > Solomon Cox & Naomi Hussey]

August 2020

Early Years in Indiana

William Thomas Cox was born December 25, 1827 in Indiana to Benjamin Cox and **Casiah Barbee**. He was the 7th of 9 children and the 2nd of two sons born to this couple. The family is found in Monroe County, Indiana in the 1830 Census. Likely family members in this census are listed below:

1830 Census Monroe County, Indiana

Males - Under 5: 1 (**William Thomas Cox**)

Males - 30 thru 39: 1 (**Benjamin Cox Sr**)

Females - Under 5: 1 (**Rachel Cox**)

Females - 5 thru 9: 1 (**Minerva Cox**)

Females - 10 thru 14: 2 (**Sarah and Lavina Cox**)

Females - 15 thru 19: 1 (**Amy Cox**)

Females - 30 thru 39: 1 (**Casiah Barbee**)

Note that a male under the age of 10 is listed on **Benjamin Cox's** 1820 from Flat Rock, Delaware County, Indiana. Some family trees identify this individual as **Benjamin Jr.** He does not appear again after the 1820 census so likely died before then. Two girls under the age of 10 appear on that same 1820 census. These girls would likely be **Amy** and **Lavina Cox**.

Two of William's older sisters married in 1834 in Bartholomew County, Indiana when **William** was 5 years old. **Lavina** married **John Crouch** on August 4 and then **Amy** married **David Allen Whitehorn** on September 25. **Amy** and **David** had 12 children and remained in Indiana the remainder of their lives. **Lavina** and **John** had their first two children in Indiana and then moved to Arkansas where they had seven more children.

The Family Moves to Arkansas

William's mother, **Casiah**, died in 1835 when **William** was only 8 years old. Soon after **Benjamin** and his younger children (**William**, **Benjamin**, **Sarah**, **Minerva**, and **Rachel**) moved to Izard County, Arkansas near their older sister **Lavina** and her family. There is no evidence that she had any children between 1835 and 1840 which may reflect that she was busy helping her father raise the five children that were still at home. His sister **Sarah** must have married soon after they arrived in Arkansas as her first son with her husband **John Stephen** was born in Arkansas around 1836.



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William's father married Elizabeth "Betsy" Donaho Sutton, also a widow, on October 4, 1837 in Batesville, Independence County, Arkansas when William was 9 years old. His step mother's first husband was Demsey Sutton with whom she had 11 children. Elizabeth brought eight of her children (Louisa, Calvin-15, Logan-12, Harriet-6, Revenny-9, Selina-8, James Riley-4, and William-2) to join the Cox family. By 1841, Benjamin and Elizabeth added two children (Temperance and Cynthia) to their already large family.

The 1840 census in Blue Mountain, IZARD County, Arkansas lists five male and nine female children in the household in addition to a male between 70 and 79. It is possible that this male is Benjamin's father Solomon. Likely identities of family members in the 1840 census are listed below:

1840 Blue Mountain, IZARD County, Arkansas

Males - Under 5: 1 (William Sutton)

Males - 5 thru 9: 1 (James Riley Sutton)

Males - 10 thru 14: 1 (William Thomas Cox)

Males - 15 thru 19: 2 (Logan and Calvin Sutton)

Males - 20 thru 29: 1 (Anderson Sutton)

Males - 40 thru 49: 1 (Benjamin Cox)

Males - 70 thru 79: 1 (Solomon Cox)

Females - Under 5: 2 (Delilah and Temperance Cox)

Females - 5 thru 9: 2 (Hannah Cox and Harriet Sutton)

Females - 10 thru 14: 3 (Rachel Cox, Revenny and Selena Sutton)

Females - 15 thru 19: 2 (Minerva Cox and Louisa Sutton)

Females - 30 thru 39: 1 (Elizabeth "Betsy" DONAHO)

William's sister Minerva married William French and they had their first child in Arkansas around 1842. Nearly all of his step-siblings were married in Arkansas before 1850.

1. Anderson Sutton married Rhoda "Rhody" Lancaster on Dec 9 1835
2. Marada Sutton married James W James on 13 Dec 1833 in Independence County, Arkansas
3. Permilia Sutton married William HESS on 9 Jan 1834 in Independence County, Arkansas
4. Louisa Sutton married John Hess on 4 Jun 1837 in Independence County, Arkansas
5. Calvin Sutton married Margaret ? in about 1841. His first child, Leroy was born in Independence County, Arkansas in 1842
6. Logan Sutton married Elizabeth Moss in about 1841 in Independence County, Arkansas. His first child, Thomas, was born in Arkansas in 1842. (It has also been suggested they he became guardian of Nancy Sutton in 1842 or 1843. It is possible that Nancy and Elizabeth are the same person.)
7. Revenny Sutton married John Alfred Middleton in 1842 in IZARD County, Arkansas.



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8. **Selina Sutton** married **Josiah Lucias Garland** in about 1848. Their first child, **Tempy**, was born in Arkansas in about 1849. She and Lucia remained in Arkansas all their lives.

The family moves to Texas

Benjamin, Elizabeth, and their unmarried children moved to Red River County, Texas before July 1, 1845. Two of his sisters married in Navarro County, Texas in 1848. His sister, possibly a twin, **Rachel** married **Hickman Monroe Hicks** on July 4 and his step-sister **Harriet Sutton** married **Joseph P Wood** July 24. In the 1850 Travis County Census **Benjamin** and wife **Elizabeth** are living with **Elizabeth, Hannah, Delila, Tempa, and Cyntha Cox** as well as **James and William Sutton**. **William** would have been about 17 or 18 when the family moved to Texas so it is possible that he married before moving to Texas and that he moved with his wife's family.

William is found in the Limestone County, Texas on the 1850 census. He is listed as being 24 years old, working as a house carpenter, and born in Ohio (I believe to be an error). He is married to **Elizabeth** and has one son, **Benjamin W** (born abt. 1849).

William's sister **Delila** married **Emanuel Berry** on 16 May 1852 in Williamson County, Texas. They never had any children. She was the last of the Cox children to die. Sadly she must not have kept in touch with any of her siblings children as she died in poverty at the Bell County Home (<http://files.usgwarchives.net/tx/bell/history/ctyhome01.txt>) whose records note that she did not know any living relatives.

It is suggested that **William's** half-brother **William Sutton** returned to Independence County, Arkansas to marry **Sarah Stephens** on December 19, 1855 (is this really correct?). Nothing is known of **Sarah**. **William** is later recorded marrying **Martha E. McKown** on Jul 12 1860 in Bell County, Texas. **William's** half-brother **James Riley Sutton** married **Hannah Harriet Glass** on October 23, 1857. His sister **Cynthia Cox** married **Columbus P Wood** (possibly related to step sister **Harriet Sutton's** husband) on 25 May 1860 in Bell County, Texas.

The family is found in Bell County Texas in 1860

According to the 1860 census a many of the many members of **William's** family migrated to Bell County, Texas.

1. Father **Benjamin Cox**, wife **Elizabeth**, and daughter **Tempa** (dwelling 541)
2. **Anderson Sutton** and family (dwelling 524)
3. **William Sutton** and wife **Martha McKown** (dwelling 540)
4. Husband of **Revenny Sutton** and children (**Revenny** is dead)



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5. **Harriet Sutton** and family (sister **Revenny's** children **Brannic** and **John** living here) (dwelling 537)
6. **Sarah Cox** and family (dwelling 551)
7. **William Thomas Cox** and family (dwelling 589)
8. **Minerva Cox** and family (dwelling 553)
9. **Delilah Cox** and husband **Emanuel Berry** (dwelling 544)
10. **Cynthia Cox** and husband **Columbus P Wood** (dwelling 538)
11. **James Riley Sutton** and family (dwelling 543)

Other family members in Bell County 1860

1. **Martha McKown's** parents, wife of **William Sutton** *dwelling 539)
2. **Lytle Criswell Craighead**, son of **Revenny Sutton** (dwelling 542)
3. **Thomas Wood** (64 yrs) and family (dwelling 545)
4. **John W Cox** and family (dwelling 520)
5. **Solomon Benjamin Cox** and family (dwelling 521)
6. **Flemming Trigg Cox** and family (dwelling 522)
7. **Samuel Hampton "Sam" COX** (dwelling 523)

William and **Elizabeth** have two additional children, my great grandfather, **George Riley** (4 yrs) and **William** (2 yrs). His occupation is listed as a carpenter and birthplace Indiana. A spread of 6 years separates sons **Benjamin** and **George**, leaving the possibility that additional children were born and died in that period.

William's Second Family with Sarah F Pate

In 1870 **William** is found in Limestone County, Texas working as a planter. He is now married to **Sarah Elizabeth Frances Pate**, also a widower. My grandfather **George Riley** and two younger brothers **William Isom** and **Jefferson Davis** are in the household. Also found are **Thomas P** (6) and **Sarah E F Cox** (2) and a **Lucy A Roberts** (15) from Tennessee. The 1900 census suggests that **Sarah** and **William** married in 1865. The death certificate for **Thomas P Cox** listed his mother as **Frances Pate** and father as **William Cox**. Find-a-grave has **William's** wife as **Sarah Eva Frances "Fannie" Pate**. **Sarah** was previously married to **Pleasant Cheatham Martin Roberts** (died in 1863). **Lucy A Roberts** is the daughter of **Pleasant** and **Sarah**.

In 1880 **William** and **Sarah** are found in Limestone County, Texas, with **William** working as a farmer, and 4 children at home (**Jefferson D.** -17, **Thomas P.** - 15, **Sarah E.** -12, and **Hettah I.** -9)



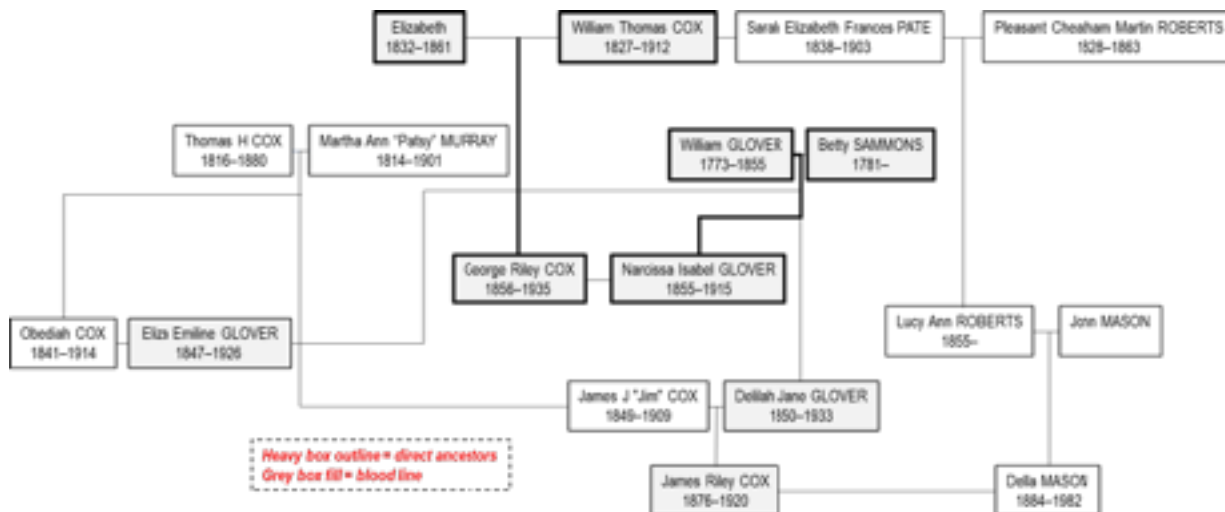
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In 1900 **William** (72 yrs old) and **Sarah** (63 yrs old) are in Limestone County. **Sarah's** granddaughter **Della Mason** (16 yrs old) is living with them as is her son **Clarence Roberts** (41 yrs old).

William's wife **Sarah** died on July 23, 1903 in Limestone County, Texas and is buried in Old Union Cemetery (Old Union, Limestone County, Texas). In 1910 **William** is 83 years old, widowed, and is living with his daughter **Sarah Eva Frances "Fannie"**, husband **William W "Billie" THOMPSON**, and their children. **William** dies two year later on June 5, 1912. The informant on his death certificate is listed as **J. D. Cox**, likely his son **Jefferson Davis**. His mother is listed as unknown and father as **William Cox** (incorrect) from Indiana. The cause of death is listed as strangury of the bladder and consumption (tuberculosis) for which he had been seeing doctor for two years previously. He is buried in Old Union Cemetery.

A Second Connection to my Family via Della Mason

Della Mason is the daughter of **Sarah's** daughter **Lucy Ann Roberts** and **John Mason**. Her mother **Lucy Ann Roberts** is the daughter of **Sarah Frances Pate** and her first husband **Pleasant Cheatham Martin Roberts**. **Della** married **James Riley Cox**, son of **James J Cox** and **Delilah Jane Glover**. There are numerous connections between the Cox family and the Glover family which are shown below.



Searching for the Identity of Williams first wife Elizabeth

We know that **Williams** first wife was named **Elizabeth** from the 1850 and 1860 census. The only additional clue as to whom this wife might be is found on the death certificate of their son, **George Riley Cox** (my great grandfather) which indicates that his mother's name is



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“Rhodes”. This death certificate lists **William** as the father, but being born in Illinois which is incorrect. The informant is listed as **W. E. Cox**, which would be **George Riley’s** son, **William Ezra**. His grandmother **Rhodes** would have died way before he was born (abt. 19 yrs) so it is not surprising that he would not know much about her (no birthplace listed). He was 29 though when his grandfather **William** died so I presume that **William Ezra** knew him. I have not yet found anything on an **Elizabeth Rhodes**. There are no **Rhodes** listed in the 1850 or 1860 census from Limestone or Bell County. The 1850 census indicates that **Elizabeth** was born in Mississippi while the 1860 census indicates that she is from Missouri.

Nancy Elkins, whom I believe is my half-sister that I never met, posted that it has been suggested that the last name of **Elizabeth** is **McCollister** (<http://www.fgs-project.com/texas/groups/c/cox-william-m.htm>). My guess is that this idea came from the 1850 Limestone census where **Elizabeth** and **William** are living next to three **McCallister** families. The heads of each (**MD** - 26 yrs, **David** -22 yrs, and **Thomas** - 24 yrs) are born in Alabama. I looked at several Ancestry trees for **Thomas McCallister** and did not find an **Elizabeth** listed as a sister. Combined with the different birth state I think it is unlikely that her that she is part of the **McCallister** family.

I am currently exploring the possibility the **Elizabeth** is related to **Thomas H Cox**. I originally thought she was a half sister of **Thomas H Cox** but all the children in his fathers census for 1840 are accounted for without her. Putting **Elizabeth** in as the daughter of the parents of second wife of **Thomas H Cox** (**Sarah Lydia Cantrell**) reveal 91 matches to descendants of **Martha Cantrell**. I am clearly somehow related to the **Cantrell** family, but it is still unclear of whether it is through **Elizabeth**. More research is in progress.

DNA Matches Support the Hypothesis that Benjamin Cox is the father of William Thomas Cox

Margaret’s connection to the **Cox** family is through her paternal grandmother **Nancy Bethina Cox**. Her mother is from Germany with two generations of ancestors that did not migrate to the US. Therefore, very few DNA matches found in ancestry are through her maternal side. Furthermore, her father has 2 half-siblings that have a different mother from **Nancy Bethina** and less likely to share any **Cox** DNA. She has been in contact with a cousin from one of these 2 half-siblings who is a member of Ancestry and has submitted her DNA to Gedmatch so that her DNA data can be used to identify matches that are more likely from her **Elkins** ancestor rather than the **Cox** ancestor.

Ancestry ThruLines identifies 150 autosomal DNA matches through **Benjamin Cox** (149 through **Casiah Barbee**).

DNA match count for Benjamins Children:



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1. Amy - 11
2. Lavina - 33
3. Sarah - 32
4. Minerva - 31
5. Rachel - 20
6. William Thomas -23

This covers all of **Benjamin's** children except **Benjamin Jr, Hannah, and Delilah**. **Delilah** had no children, and nothing is known about **Benjamin** and **Delilah** in adulthood, if they reached it. The large number of matches to most of **Benjamin's** children support the hypothesis that **William Thomas** is a son of **Benjamin Cox**.

Information from Census

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1850 - Limestone County, Texas

William Cox, 24, house carpenter from Ohio

Elizabeth Cox, 18, from Mississippi

Benjamin Cox, 1, from Texas

1860 - Bell County, Texas

Wm Cox, 35, carpenter from Indiana

Elizabeth Cox, 25, from Mississippi

Benjamin Cox, 10, from Texas

George Cox, 4, from Texas

Wm Cox, 2, from Texas

1870 - Limestone County, Texas

Wm Cox, 46, planter from Indiana

Sarah F Cox, 37, from Tennessee

Geo R, 14, from Texas

William J, 12, from Texas

Jefferson D Cox, 9, from Texas

Thos P Cox, 6, from Texas

Sarah E F Cox, 2, from Texas

Lucy A Roberts, 14, from Tennessee

1880 - Limestone County, Texas

William Cox, 55, farmer from Indiana, father-Virginia, Mother-Kentucky

Sarah F Cox, 42, from Tennessee, father-Kentucky, mother-Virginia

Jefferson D Cox, 17, from Texas, father - Indiana, mother - Mississippi

Thomas P Cox, 15, from Texas, father - Indiana, mother - Mississippi

Sarah E Cox, 12, from Texas, father - Indiana, mother - Mississippi

Hettah I Cox, 9, from Texas, father - Indiana, mother - Mississippi

1900 - Limestone County, Texas

William T Cox, 72 (Dec 1827), farmer from Indiana, married 35 yrs, father-PA, mother-KY

Sarah F Cox, 63 (May 1837), from TN, married 35 yrs, 5 children, 3 living, father and mother TN

Della Mason, 16 (Jan 1884), grand-daughter from Texas, both parents-Texas

Clarence Roberts, 41 (Nov 1859), step-son farm laborer from Texas, both parents-Tennessee

1910 - Limestone County, Justice Precinct 6

W. W. Thompson, 54, farmer from Texas

Fannie Thompson, 42, wife from Texas, Parents from Illinois

Willie Thompson, 22, daughter from Texas, Parents from Texas



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Lucy Thompson, 17, daughter from Texas, Parents from Texas
Alton Thompson, 14, son from Texas, Parents from Texas
Myrtle Thompson, 12, daughter from Texas, Parents from Texas
Vernon Thompson, 10, son from Texas, Parents from Texas
Earl Thompson, 8, son from Texas, Parents from Texas
Ray Thompson, 3, son from Texas, Parents from Texas
William Cox, 81, father-in-law from Indiana, parents from Kentucky

Info on father from bell county history

Children of **Benamin Cox** and **Casiah Barbee**

1. Amy born August 10, 1913 in Ross County, Ohio. Married David Allen **Whitehorn** on March 25, 1834 in Bartholemew county, Indiana. Had 12 children with David. Remained in Indiana her whole adult life. She died on December 17, 1907 in Salt Creek, Jackson County, Indiana when William was 79.
2. **Lavina** born about 1814 I Flat Rock, Delaware County, Indiana. Married John **Crouch** on August 4, 1834 in Bartholemew County, Indiana. They had 9 children. After he died, she married Lawson Henderson **Smith** (between 1853 and 1855) in Izard county Arkansas. She and Lawson had 2 daughters in Izard county. In 1860 they were living in Bell County, Texas. Need to find 1870 and 1880 census for her. She died after 1895 in Texas.
3. Benjamin, Jr was born about 1816.
4. **Sarah** was born about 1816 in Indiana. She married John **Stephens** around 1835. They had 9 children. In 1860 she was living in Bell County, Texas. In 1870 she was in Buffalo, Searcy County, Arkansas. In 1880 she was in Sylamore, Stone County, Arkansas. She died March 19, 1882 in Middletown, Wayne County, Indiana. Her husband died the same year.
5. **Minerva** was born April 11, 1821 in Indiana. She married William **French** probably before 1842. They had 11 children together. They were living in Union, Fulton County, Arkansas in 1850, in 1860 they live in Bell County, Texas, in 1870 they live in Precinct 5, Falls County, Texas, in 1880 they live in Falls County, Texas, and in 1900 they live in Precinct 5, Falls County, Texas. She died on September 11, 1902 in Mooreville, Falls County, Texas and is buried in the Mooreville Cemetery.
6. **William Thomas** was born December 25, 1827 in Indiana. He died on June 5, 1912 in Oletha, Limestone County, Texas.
7. **Rachel** was born in 1827 in Indiana. She married Hickman Monroe **Shults** on July 4, 1848 in Navarro County, Texas. They had 9 children together. She died on Jun 7, 1880 in Falls County, Texas. The place of her burial is unknown.
8. **Hannah** was born in 1833 in Indiana. She died after 1850. Nothing more on her



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9. **Delilah** was born on February 7, 1835 in Indiana. She married Emanuel **Berry** on May 16, 1852 in Williamson County, Texas. They lived in Bell County Texas in 1860, Williamson County, Texas in 1870, Coryell County, Texas in 1880, Justice Precinct 4, Bandera County, Texas in 1900, Justice Precinct 4, Coryell County, Texas in 1910, they moved back to Bell County, Texas in 1919, and stayed there for the remainder of their lives. Delilah died on December 11, 1930 in Belton, Bell County, Texas. She and her husband are buried in Copperas Cove Cemetery.

The state legislature formed Falls County from Limestone and Milam counties in 1850, and named it after the falls of the Brazos River. Marlin became the county seat.

Limestone County was formed from Robertson County on April 11, 1846, with Springfield, population 120, as the county seat. The organization of the county was completed on August 18, 1846, with the election of county officials. Limestone County originally included all the land between the Brazos and Trinity Rivers on the east and west, and the land north of Robertson County to Navarro County.

In 1848 part of northern and western Limestone County was taken to form McLennan and Falls counties, and in 1850 part of the eastern section was taken to form part of Freestone County. The boundaries were changed to their present form on November 2, 1866. In 1873, the courthouse burned and after the Houston and Texas Central Railway bypassed Springfield, an election was ordered and Groesbeck became the county seat.

Bell County was Milam County in 1850

Evidence as to parentage of George Riley Cox (my great grandfather)

1. Death certification of George Riley Cox lists William T Cox and Rhodes as parents
2. 1920 census has George living with brother Jefferson Davis Cox
3. 1930 census has George Riley living with daughter Mary Elizabeth





CYRUS BENJAMIN COX (1827-1902)

CYRUS B. COX

Dies at His Home in Carthage This Morning.

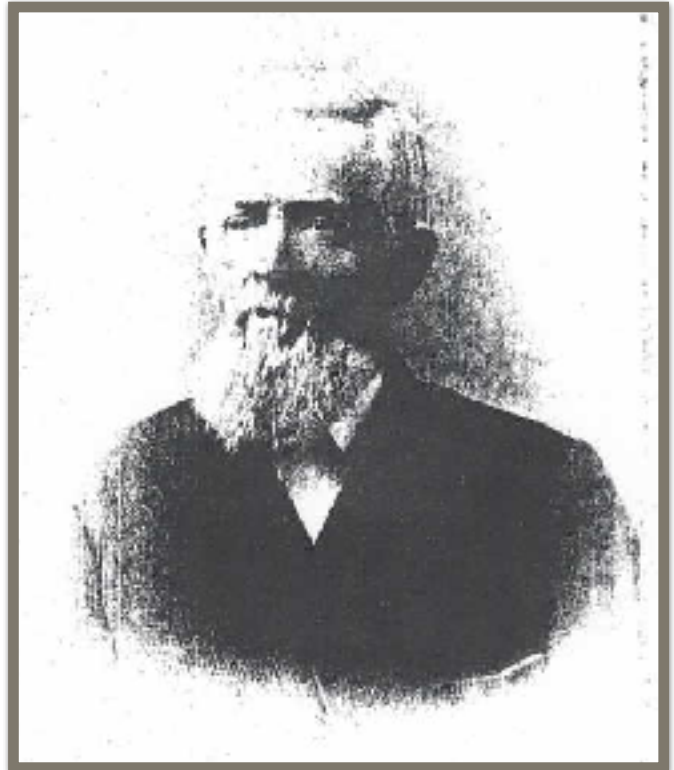
Cyrus B. Cox died at his home, in Carthage, at 5 o'clock this morning, of heart trouble. He had been in poor health for several months past, and a short time before his death his illness took a more serious turn. Mr. Cox was one of Ripley township's best citizens, and his death is a great loss to that community.

Mr. Cox was a son of Benjamin and Mary Cox, and was born in Ripley township, on April 22, 1827. He was reared upon a farm, and received in the district schools a knowledge of the ordinary branches of learning. Mr. Cox was first married to Miss Sarah Haskitt, of Hancock county, on Sept. 15, 1852, and settled in Hancock county, from which he moved in the fall of 1853 to a farm near Richmond. He returned to Hancock county in 1855, and in the following year moved to Ripley township, Rush county, residing there three years and giving his attention to his trade of carpenter. His first wife died on Dec. 7, 1857. On May 24, 1859, he was married to Miss Mary Binford. After this second marriage he moved to Shelby county, and lived there eight years, returning to Ripley township in 1857, where he resided until his death. His second wife died Sept. 18, 1873, and on Dec. 23, 1874, he was married to Miss Phebe Lamb, a native of Hancock county.

Politically Mr. Cox was an ardent Republican, helping to organize the Republican party in Wayne county, and voted for its first candidate for President in 1856. He was elected Trustee of Ripley township in 1896, and served four years, making a very capable officer.

Mr. Cox was a member of the Friends' church, and was a devout christian gentleman. His wife and six children survive him.

The funeral will take place Monday morning at 10 o'clock.



When Cyrus Benjamin COX was born on April 22, 1827, in Carthage, Indiana, his father, Benjamin, was 40 and his mother, Mary, was 36. He married Sarah HASKITT and they had three children together. He also had one son and three daughters with Mary BINFORD. He then married Phebe LAMB on January 16, 1875, in Rush, Indiana. He died on March 28, 1902, in Rush, Indiana, at the age of 74.

Source: <https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/person/tree/167926352/person/222179816270/facts>

LINEAGE:

Cyrus Benjamin Cox > Benjamin Cox > Joseph Cox > Benjamin Cox > John Cox, Jr. > John Cox Sr. > Thomas Cox & Christian Matthews



BRANDYWINE IN REMEMBRANCE

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9. Bobby Ray Burnett (1952-2020)
10. Benny Albert Alley Jr. ((1955-2019)
11. Nelda Joy Gentry Cravey (1930-2019)
12. Colonel David Oliver Cravey (1929-2020)



**TRAVIS GLENN COX
(1926-2020)**

BELTON — Services for Travis Cox, 94, of Temple will be private.

Public services will be held at a later date.

Mr. Cox died Wednesday, April 8, at his residence.

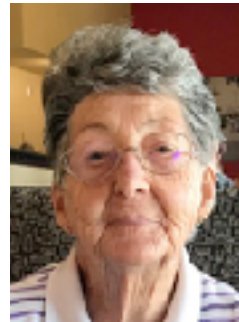
He was born March 7, 1926, in Nolanville to Lee Roy and Ola Biles Cox. He married Deanie Cruse in Georgetown. He was an electrician and owner of Panel Builders DBA Industrial Electric Service in Temple, serving as president.

He was preceded in death by his wife in 1996; and a grandchild.

Survivors include two sons, Lee Cox of Temple and David Cox of Clear Lake Shores; a daughter, Susan Wilson of Manor; and two grandchildren.

Lineage:

Travis Glenn Cox > Lee Roy Cox > George Washington Cox > Fleming Trigg Cox > Samuel Cox Jr. > Martha Cox > Solomon Cox & Naomi Hussey



**DORIS LAJUAN OWENS
HAMILTON (1932-2019)**

Doris LaJuan Owens was born March 6, 1932 in Copperas Cove, Texas to Everett Anthony and Zula Estelle Smith Owens. She passed away on September 18, 2019 at her home in Evant. LaJuan married Robert Norman Hamilton on August 15, 1947 in Gatesville, Texas. Thus began a love affair that ended with his passing in 2011. As the mother of a young toddler, she found herself with the care of her husband who was badly injured in a car crash. Undaunted by the challenges his disabilities posed, she lived her life with poise, grace and good humor. She was a woman of deep and abiding faith in her Lord and Savior and was a long time member of First Baptist Church in Evant. She was a wonderful neighbor and gave generously to her friends. Her greatest joy in life was being "Memaw" to her grandchildren and great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband, her parents, step father; Townsen O'Neal, brother; Everett W. Owens and niece; Sandra Shuttlesworth. She is survived by her daughter and son in law; Pam and Danny Jones of Caldwell, grandchildren; Katie Wright and husband Josh of Lago Vista, Becky Ickes and husband Kyle of Arlington and Ben Jones of Caldwell, her great grandchildren; Chance Hill, Zoe Jones, Henry Ickes, Charles Ickes, and Andrew Ickes. Also surviving her are step sister; Shirley O'Neal, nephew; David Owens, and special friends Danny and Robin Brey and family as well as other relatives and a host of friends. Her family wishes to thank her friends and neighbors who checked in on her, gave her rides, or otherwise helped enable her to live life on her terms – with independence.

Visitation will be held at First Baptist Church – Evant on Saturday, September 21, 2019 from 10:00 A.M – 12:00 P.M. Graveside services will be held at Hurst Ranch Cemetery in Star, Texas on Saturday 21, 2019 at 1:30 P.M. Serving as Pallbearers are Ben Jones, Kyle Ickes, Josh Wright, Ronnie Smith, Kennie Smith, and Stanley Stanford. Gerald Kinsey will serve as honorary pallbearer.

Lineage:

Wife of Robert Norman Hamilton > Eula Pearl Campbell > Mary Ellen Cox > John Thomas Cox > Pleasant C. Cox > Solomon Cox > Thomas Isaac Cox > Solomon Cox & Naomi Hussey

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WILLIAM EDWARD "ED" FROELICH, 93, Hays, formerly of Walker, died Saturday, November 24, 2018 at Via Christi Village.

He was born June 7, 1925 in McAllen, Texas the son of Jonas and Sylvia (Cox) Froelich.

He was a medic in the U.S. Navy during World War II and was stationed in the Philippine Theater and near Guam. He was awarded the Purple Heart medal for wounds received during the war.

On April 22, 1947 he was united in marriage to Dolores A. Stroemel at St. Ann Catholic Church in Walker, Kansas. They celebrated over 63 years of marriage before she preceded him in death on July 13, 2010.

He was a member of St. Ann Catholic Church in Walker, the Third Degree Knights of Columbus Council #2794 in Gorham, and was a lifetime member of the VFW Post #6240 in Russell, Kansas. He enjoyed playing Pinochle and the game Aggravation, gardening and growing roses, and he was very charitable and giving. He loved to polka and square dance with his wife Dolores, and he possessed a great sense of humor and loved to tell jokes.

Survivors include a daughter; Margie Hawk and husband Duane of North Platte, Nebraska, a son; Van Froelich and wife Darla of Walker, Kansas, a brother; Morris Froelich, Sr. and wife Mary Ann of Gorham, Kansas, a sister; Ina Bell Wilkerson of Dighton, a sister-in-law; Twila Froelich of Russell, two step-granddaughters; Cindy Halstead and Tiffany Sanford and fiancé Chad Hammerschmidt, five step-great-grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, his wife Dolores, and by four brothers; Art, Albert, Donald, and Elmer Froelich.

Mass of Christian Burial will be at 10:00 am on Friday, November 30, 2018 at St. Ann Catholic Church in Walker with Fr. John Schmeidler officiating. Inurnment will follow in the St. Ann Cemetery with military honors by the Hays and Russell VFW Honor Guard. The family will receive friends from 5:00 pm until 7:00 on Thursday at the Hays Memorial Chapel Funeral Home, 1906 Pine Street, and from 9:00 am until service time on Friday at the church. A vigil service will be at 6:00 pm followed by a Knights of Columbus rosary at 6:30, both on Thursday at the funeral home.

Lineage:

William Edward Froelich > Sylvia Lee Cox > William Madison Tucker Cox > George Henry Cox > Cornelius 'Neely' Cox > Christopher Cox > Solomon Cox & Naomi Hussey



WILLIAM ELLETT 'BILL' LANGSTON (1946-2019) William "Bill" Langston, 73, of Spicer, Kandiyohi, Minnesota, died Wednesday, October 30th at Carris Health Rice Hospital in Willmar, Kandiyohi, Minnesota. His funeral will be 11:00 am, Saturday, November 2nd

at Our Lady of the Lakes Catholic Church in Spicer, Kandiyohi, Minnesota. Visitation will be from 9:30 am - 11:00 am. Burial will be in the church cemetery, with Military Honors provided by American Legion Post #167. www.hafh.org

William E. "Bill" Langston was born on April 20, 1946, in Belton, Bell, Texas, the son of William and Dorothy (Cox) Langston. He grew up in Belton where he graduated from high school. He entered the United States Air Force during the Vietnam Era stationed in Taiwan. He received an Honorable Discharge and moved to Wisconsin. He worked various jobs while pursuing a career in engineering. Bill received a drafting degree from St. Cloud Vo-Tech and later began working for the Minnesota Department of

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Transportation. He was united in marriage to Doris (Klassen) at St. Michael's Catholic Church in Spring Hill, Stearnes, Minnesota. The couple lived in various communities and moved to Spicer in 1986.

Bill was a member of Our Lady of the Lakes Catholic Church in Spicer. He enjoyed restoring cars, especially his 1968 Mercury Cougar, hunting, fishing, and golfing. Bill and Doris enjoyed spending time in Del Rio, Texas. He loved spending time with his family, especially his grandchildren.

Bill passed away Wednesday, October 30th, at Carris Health Rice Hospital in Willmar, Kandiyohi, Minnesota. He is survived by his wife Doris of Spicer; daughter Christi (and Larry) Jorschumb of De Graff; four grandchildren: Anikin, Zoey, Natalie, William; and other relatives and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents and sister, Trudy.

LINEAGE:

William Ellett Langston > Dorothy Dell Groves > Bessie Cox > George Washington Cox > John W. Cox > Joseph Cox > Solomon Cox Jr. > Solomon Cox & Naomi Hussey

Note:

Bill Langston was a long time Brandywine board member and a very accomplished researcher. His mother attended some of our early Lampasas reunions.



JOYCE ANN YOST DOWELL
(1932-2020)

Her last act; she raised her hand and called out "God is coming."

Joyce Ann Dowell, age 87, passed away peacefully April

29, 2020 due to complications of Alzheimer's. She was born August 7, 1932, in Keota, Oklahoma – the last of Samuel and Cordella Yost's seven children. She married Cecil Dowell on May 8, 1958. They raised five boys together and moved to San Antonio, Texas when Cecil retired from the United States Air Force in 1968. Joyce was a long-time and much-loved member of the

Northside Church of Christ, along with her husband Cecil and their son Tad Dowell and family.

Joyce's love for God and her passion for His Word are undoubtedly her defining characteristics. Her excellence as a wife and mother was an outgrowth of that faith, a direct result of the indwelling Spirit of God and her hunger and thirst for transformation into His image. An accomplished Bible student, Joyce served for years as a children's Bible class teacher and for a lifetime as a ready resource to seekers of all ages. She applied her understanding and inspired others to do the same. When she began, for instance, crocheting caps for newborns, Cecil wanted to help; she taught him to crochet so he could!

Joyce was also an accomplished woodworker. She spent much of her childhood in her father's sawmill and lumberyard; she grew up with a love of woodworking and carpentry. Perhaps no other woman in history has been as pleased to receive a saw or cutting guide as a birthday or anniversary gift.

Joyce is survived by her devoted husband Cecil, and by her brother Neil Yost and his wife Bertha Ann. She is also survived by her five sons; Frank and his wife Kathy, Sid and his wife Marsha, Tad and his wife Debbie, David and his wife Stavri, and Craig and his wife Karen. She has 12 grandchildren and almost that many great grandchildren, all of whom she loved and touched deeply.

We grieve, but not as those who have no hope. The family intends to formally celebrate her life when circumstances permit, but arrangements are indefinitely pending due to current social-distancing constraints. Thank you for your thoughts and prayers.

Lineage: Joyce Ann Yost > Cordella Cox > Winfield Scott Cox > Joseph King Cox > Nathan Cox > Thomas Isaac Cox > Solomon Cox & Naomi Hussey

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WINNIE MAUDE HELM
HATLEY (1921-2020)

Winnie Maude Hatley passed from this life into God's hands on May 5, 2020. She was born to Bradford W. Helm and Elizabeth Ann Cox Helm on May 10, 1921, in Bandera, Texas.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Maynard, of 69 years; son, Ronald D. Gipson; parents; four brothers, Bert, Floyd, Bernice, and Fred; three sisters, Madge Robinson, Merlyne Cates, and Media Wetsel.

Survivors include her daughter Linda Compton and husband William of San Angelo; nephew Darrel Lynn Hatley, who was like a son, and his wife Diane of San Angelo; Grandchildren Christy Compton Delacruz, Todd Compton both of San Angelo, Rhonda Graves and husband Troy, Kellie Furrow and husband Jason of Hurst; Great-grandchildren, Amelia Alexander, Jordan Hatley Compton, William Kelly Compton of San Angelo, Andrew Furrow, Austin and Jaspar Graves of Hurst; Numerous nieces and nephews.

Winnie was a lifetime member of the Wingate Church of Christ and West Angelo Church of Christ. She lived her entire life as a Christian role model. She fed lunch to numerous traveling ministers after Sunday morning services in Wingate.

She graduated from high school in Hilton, Texas, and went on to Jolly Beauty School in Fort Worth, Texas. She met and married Durwood Gipson and gave birth to one son, Ronald D. Gipson. They divorced and she became a phone operator with her mother taking care of her son. She later met the love of her life, Maynard. They married on April 20, 1946. Together they both worked hard to achieve their life-long dream of owning a farm, which they accomplished. They built a home on land they purchased and begin to farm. They were never as happy as they were during that time. She loved everything about

it. They worked side by side to have a beautiful home they were proud of.

Winnie worked hard her entire life. She picked cotton as a child, hoed weeds, planted gardens, sewed for the public making beautiful dresses for Linda (including her wedding dress), kept a clean house, cooked three meals a day, washed clothes in a wringer washer and hung them out to dry before washing machines were invented.

Her hobbies were oil painting beautiful pictures, going through pastures, and digging up arrowheads and old bottles of which she had a huge collection of both. Winnie loved family history and compiled huge manuals of old family pictures dating back to the 1800s. She sat at her computer researching documents and gathering information for all of her genealogy books. She also loved to fish in her younger years with her son-in-law, Billy, and her grandson, Todd.

She was an amazing woman and, in the end, her tired hands had one more job to do and that was to reach up to God and touch the face of Jesus Christ her Lord and Savior. She has always said only God can be her judge.

Graveside services were held on May 9, 2020, with family attending.

Winnie was a kind, caring, humble, and generous woman, never wanting for much in her life. Any wealth that came her way she always shared with others, even complete strangers. Our love for her will be in our hearts forever.

Lineage:

Winnie Maude Helm > Elizabeth Ann Cox > Cornelius Jackson Cox > Cornelius 'Neely' Cox > Christopher Cox > Solomon Cox & Naomi Hussey

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BECKY JO COWGILL COX  
(1942-2020)

Shrewsbury, MA - Becky Jo Cox, wife of Gerald B. Cox (Jerry), passed away on Wednesday, March 18, 2020 at the age of 77. Becky was born on August 24, 1942 in Quincy, Illinois to Joe Donald (Tiger) & Bonnie Jean

Cowgill. She grew up in The Rio Grande Valley and went to PSJA high school, where she met Jerry. The two were married in September of 1961, and shortly thereafter moved to San Diego, California where they raised their two daughters, Leisa and Julie. After 30 years in San Diego, they made their way back to South Texas where they settled once more in Alamo. Here they spent the next 22 years building and running the Short Shot, a par-3 golf course on Cesar Chavez Road. Becky was diagnosed with Alzheimer's disease in 2012, which prompted the sale of the golf course to the PSJA School District in 2014. Because of Becky and Jerry's dream and their tireless hard work, the students of PSJA now have the opportunity to learn the game of golf right on school grounds.

For the next six years their time was split between their daughter Leisa's home in San Diego, CA and their daughter Julie's home in Shrewsbury, MA. Although these were difficult years as Becky progressed through the stages of this awful disease, she was always surrounded by loving family as in her words, she "summered in Boston and wintered in San Diego".

Becky is survived by the love of her life, her husband Jerry; her daughters, Leisa Loos and Julie Tolba; sons in-law, Richard Loos and Hatem Tolba; and grandchildren, Taylor Miller, Hannah Loos, Jessica Loos, and Halie Tolba. She is also survived by siblings Kathy Cowgill-Rachal, Douglas Cowgill, and Richard Cowgill. Her sister Barbara Jean Cowgill passed in 2002.

No words can express the deep sadness we are feeling at the loss of a devoted wife, nurturing mother, proud grandmother, and loyal sister. Becky had a loving, caring nature about her that enveloped our family. Although the void that her passing has left will never be filled, we will always feel her love in our hearts and will continue to pass that love on to our own children for generations to come.

Lineage:

Wife of Gerald Buck Cox > Albert Luther Cox > William Madison Tucker Cox > George Henry Cox > Cornelius 'Neely' Cox > Christopher Cox > Solomon Cox & Naomi Hussey



VALENE MARGARET KING  
BREWER (1936-2020)

Valene Margaret King Brewer, 84, of Goodrich, Texas, passed peacefully from this earthly life into the loving arms of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ surrounded by her family on the 29th day of May 2020. She was

born in Houston, Texas on April 22, 1936, to Ernest Henry King and Annie Pickett Whitsitt.

Valene was of the Baptist faith and a Christian. She met and married the love of her life, Ira Herbert Brewer, son of Thomas Jacob Brewer and Leafie Alberta Tyler, on June 26, 1954, in Washington D.C. at the home of her Aunt Eva and Uncle Ellsworth Seamon. They were married for almost 66 years and cherished each other. She was a devoted wife and loving mother. Together Valene and Herbert raised six daughters.

Valene grew up in the Houston Heights where she and her brother Norman King lived with their parents. She attended Jeff Davis High School in Houston, Texas. During her senior year she met Herbert Brewer through her close friend Shirley Rhodes of Lexington, Texas.

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Their first home together was in the Houston Heights in a garage apartment across the street from her mother, Annie. After moving several more times they settled in Tomball, Texas where they lived for the majority of their life while raising their children. When Herbert retired they made their home in Richards, Texas and then moved to Lampasas, Texas. Their final move was to Goodrich, Texas closer to family.

She was an excellent seamstress and enjoyed making custom clothing and costumes for all her daughters along with curtains and such for her home. Along with her sewing she crocheted, cross stitched, painted, crafted, and made jewelry. She was an immaculate homemaker, great cook and baker, providing a wonderful loving environment for her family. She loved decorating her home every holiday celebrating the seasons.

Valene was a Girl Scout Co-Leader along with daughters, Molly, Cindy, Becky, and Betty, who was the Leader, of Troop #11076 Armadillo Trails Neighborhood in the San Jacinto Council in Magnolia, Texas. Her grandchildren, Cortney, Brandy, Wendy, and April were in the troop.

She worked as an Avon lady while her children were school age, going door to door selling beauty products. After her children were grown she worked at Hartford Insurance Company and Flintex Company for a number of years in Houston, Texas. Valcraft was her trade name for the crafts and jewelry she made and sold. She also had an online business "The Attic Room Finds" where she sold antique Avon collectibles among other things. One of her favorite pastimes was playing card games and backgammon. Other hobbies included flower gardening and feeding and watching birds. She loved to read and listen to a variety of music genres. She loved camping at the deer camps with her family during hunting season.

She is survived by her husband, Herbert, daughters, Debbie Cox and husband Tony [ANTHONY EVERETT COX] of Goodrich, Betty Hoffman and husband Curtis of Goodrich, Molly Sanders of Goodrich, son-in-law Mike Travis of Kerrville, Texas, Sandra Brewer of The Woodlands, Texas; Becky Wickander of Goodrich; and sister-in-laws Ineta Hightower King of Conroe, Billie Brewer of Minden, Louisiana, and Dottie Collier of Woodville, Texas; brother-in-laws, Zelmer Brewer of Whitehouse, Texas, Carroll and

Nancy Brewer of Whitehouse, Texas, along with many other loving relatives and friends.

She is also survived by eleven grandchildren, Brandy Riley and husband Brent of Montgomery, Texas; Wendy Richardson and husband James of Golden, Colorado; April Dennis and husband Robbie of Goodrich, Texas; Curt Hoffman and wife Stefanie of Goodrich, Texas; Bryan Cox and wife Samantha of Goodrich, Texas; Tracy Hunt of Victoria, Texas; Darby Gibbins of Houston, Texas; Steven Cox of Woodville, Texas; Darren Cox of Livingston, Texas; Nathan Cox of Goodrich, Texas; and Cortney Hammond of Conroe, Texas.

Also survived by twenty-two Great Grandchildren, Avrey Phillips, Hunter Phillips, Samantha Richardson, Jay Selph, Savannah Hoffman, Luke Hammond, Brooklyn McCurry, Grace Hammond, MC Hoffman, Lauryn Hoffman, Hunter Hoffman, Logan Hoffman, Bradley Dennis, Faith Hunt, Matthew Dennis, Jayden Hunt, Oliver Cox, Jake Hoffman, IraLee Dennis, Mattie Cox, Leafie Jo Hunt, Mason Hoffman; and one Great Great Grandchild, Jaiyden Phillips.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her brother Norman Eugene King, and her daughter, Cynthia Louise 'Cindy' Brewer Travis, wife of Michael Travis. Also preceded in death by her half-sister, Viola Mae King McNight.

Graveside services will be held on June 2nd, 2020 at 2:30 pm in Peebles Cemetery, Goodrich, Texas, with Pastor Melvin Cates, of Central Baptist Church, officiating.

Pallbearers are her grandsons, Curt Hoffman, Bryan Cox, Steven Cox, Darren Cox, Nathan Cox, along with Brent Riley, James Richardson, and Robbie Dennis.

Note:

Mother of Debbie Brewer Cox, Brandywine Database Manager & Newsletter Editor

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BOBBY RAY BURNETT
(1953-2020)

Bobby Ray, "Fire," Burnett of Cherokee, passed away on July 25, 2020, at the age of 66. He was born on August 01, 1953 in Mason, Tx, to Arch and Pauline Nicholas Burnett. He was the youngest of seven children. He graduated from Mason High School in 1971 and attended Angelo State University where he received a Bachelor of Business degree and later earned a teaching certification in secondary social studies education. While attending ASU, he met and married the love of his life, Marty (Lethco) Burnett. Their 45-year marriage produced two sons, Robert and Luke, and for the rest of his life you could always find him supporting his sons at whatever activity the boys were involved in. During the 90's that meant lots of Boy Scouts, towing kids all over Lake LBJ, hunting, fishing, youth sports, time at the ranch, and rooting for his Dallas Cowboys. Later that meant trips around the country to help Marty with family genealogical research and attending Professional Bull Riding events.

Bobby worked many years for Western Mattress and RC Cola. He spent over 25 years working for Town and Country/Stripes in both San Angelo and Llano, before retiring to the ranch in Cherokee in 2018.

Bobby is survived by his wife, Marty Burnett, his son Robert Max Burnett and wife, Lisa, of Fort Worth, TX., his son Luke Lenord Burnett and wife, Amanda, of San Angelo, TX. and his sister, Paula Faye Barbieri, of Midland, TX, and his grandchildren, Adilen of San Angelo and Eli Burnett of Fort Worth, and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents, Arch and Pauline Nicholas Burnett, brother, Max Burnett, and sisters Celesta Nobles, Helen McCormick, LaJean Ramey, Nova Belle Ritter, grandson Cooper Ray Burnett, granddaughter, Samantha Mae Burnett, and nephew, Roger Nobles.

Visitation will be held on Saturday, August 01, 2020 from 1:00 – 2:00 p.m. at Mason Funeral Home, immediately followed by the memorial service. Burial will be held at the Gooch Cemetery following the service. Pallbearers include: Nickie Nobles, Greg Taylor, Dennis Bryan, Bob Hayter, Johnathan Killgore, Brian Simpson, Travis Shannon, and Tyler Owen. Honorary pallbearers: Tolley McCormick,

Mitchell Ritter, Mark Lethco, Lewis Herrington, John Moore, and Paul Henry Broyles.

LINEAGE: Husband of Marty Burnett, our Military Project Chairman

Martha Hilda Lethco > Nelson Lenord Lethco Sr. > Jesse Thomas Lethco > Margaret F. Bean > Amy Cox > Jehu Cox > Solomon Cox > Thomas Isaac Cox > Solomon Cox & Naomi Hussey



BENNY ALBERT ALLEY, JR.
(1955-2019)

Benny Albert Alley Jr. 1955 - 2019 | Benny Albert Alley Jr., son of Benny Alley (Sr.) and Peggy Alley, was born on January 31st, 1955 at St.

David's Hospital in Austin, Texas. Ben was a proud native Austinite, who attended and graduated from Lanier H.S. After high school, he enrolled at Texas State University, and received his Masters in Education. Through his time teaching elementary, junior high, and then as an assistant principal, Ben kept up with his passion for art, creating beautiful jewelry, paintings, and handmade gifts for loved ones. Ben passed away November 28th, 2019 on a bright snowy day in one of his favorite places, Albuquerque NM, with his loving wife and close family near. He is survived by his wife of 42 years, Helen, mother Peggy (Alley), sister Jaci (Leider), brother Frederick (Leider), children Benny (Alley III), Elisabeth, Kevin (Barnes), grandchildren Hudson and Lilah (Barnes), and nephew Dr. Colby Leider. Ben was warm, gracious, funny, and a friend to all. As such, many of his students stayed in contact with Ben throughout his life, and he was loved by his wife Helen's extended family from Costa Rica. Ben loved the Lord and worked hard to exhibit the traits of a righteous man. He was an attentive father, son, grandfather, and friend, who will be missed deeply.

LINEAGE:

Benny Albert Alley Jr. > Benny Albert Alley Sr. > Lola Mae Ranne > Bertha May Cox > George Washington Cox > Fleming Trigg Cox > Samuel Cox Jr. > Martha Cox > Solomon Cox & Naomi Hussey

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NELDA JOY GENTRY CRAVEY
(1930-2019)

Nelda Joy Gentry Cravey, 89, passed away July 14th in Pflugerville, Texas. Nelda was born on March 27, 1930 in Houston, Texas to Arva and Lucille Gentry. Nelda graduated

from Reagan high School in 1948. She met her lifetime Love, David O. Cravey in 1947 at the Love baseball diamond in Houston. Dave knew after a "four-minute conversation" that Nelda was the one, and they married on a very hot day, before air-conditioning, in Houston on August 4, 1951. Dave hocked his clarinet to buy his "used" A&M senior boots and hocked his boots to buy Nelda her wedding ring. True love. As David served in the Air Force, they shared great adventures building their life together while living in San Antonio, Georgia, Lubbock, South Carolina, Germany, France, the Air War College at Montgomery, Alabama, and various other military installations, before moving and building their dream home in Lost Creek subdivision in Austin in 1975, where they resided for over 42 years. She and Dave would have celebrated their 68th anniversary on August 4th of this year.

Early in marriage Nelda worked for Texaco before focusing all her life to her family. Nelda was a devoted wife, mother, grandmother, and great grandmother with a true servant's heart. Her family was her priority and she served them tirelessly. She was described as a "bumble bee" full of energy and activity, constantly working and doing for her husband, her daughter Cathy, and her sons Daniel, and Matthew. She didn't enjoy being a passive participant, as she always wanted to be one of those serving and loving on others. Nelda not only served her family but her community. She was recognized by Seton Main for having over 10,000 volunteer hours in the Intensive Care waiting room. She had over 5,000 volunteer hours at other various hospitals across the nation over the years. Nelda was also a member at Westlake United Methodist Church, with her husband.

Nelda was proceeded in death by: her father, Arva Estes Gentry; her mother, Lucille Cox Gentry; her beautiful beloved daughter; Cathy Lynne, brothers; Payton Gentry, and Arva Estes Gentry, Jr.. Nelda looked anxiously forward to seeing them all again.

She is survived, loved, and will be missed by her husband and love Col. David O. Cravey of Austin, Texas; a son Daniel Steven Cravey and wife Lorna of Corpus Christi; a son Matthew David Cravey and wife Gina of Canyon, Texas; grandchildren; Derek Rowe, Sarah Cravey Ochsankehl and husband Andy, Logan Cravey, Morgan Cravey, Jennifer Angelini, Travis Cravey, and great grandchildren; Carter Rowe, William, Madeline and Samantha Ochsankehl, and Liam Angelini.

Nelda and Dave will always be grateful to Jonna Wilson and North Austin Senior Living for their selfless care and love.

One of Nelda's friends described her as her family remembers her: "Nelda was one of the sweetest, kindest, bravest people I have had the pleasure of knowing. She faced any issue with dignity, grace, and with sweet countenance and is an inspiration to me."

Nelda will always and forever be Dave's "Punkin".

Visitation will be held 2:00pm, Sunday July 21, at Westlake United Methodist Church. Funeral Services will follow at 2:30pm.

LINEAGE:

Nelda Joy Gentry > Marion Lucille Cox > Isaac Frank Cox > Isaac Newton Cox > John W. Cox > Joseph Cox > Solomon Cox Jr. > Solomon Cox & Naomi Hussey



COLONEL DAVID OLIVER
CRAVEY (1929-2020)

Colonel David Oliver Cravey, passed away on his 91st birthday on January 21st, in Amarillo, Texas. Dave was born on January 21st, 1929 in Dayton, Texas to Robert J.

Cravey and Emma Simms Cravey. Dave graduated from Reagan High School in 1947. Dave met his lifetime love Nelda Gentry in 1947 at the Love baseball diamond in Houston. Dave knew after a "four-minute conversation" that Nelda was "the one"

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and they married on a very hot day in Houston on August 4, 1951. As David served in the Air Force, they shared great adventures building their life together in Nassau Bay, Houston, Lubbock, Alabama, Georgia, South Carolina, Germany, France, and Chicago. In 1977 they built their dream home in Austin, where they resided for over 40 years. The two would have celebrated their 68th anniversary on August 4th but Nelda passed on July 14th, 2019. For the past 6 months he missed her dearly and missed those "blue bird days" when they loaded up for a golf cart tour with a glass of wine. On this birthday, they were together again toasting and celebrating with a glass of "Mountain Rhine."

Dave was a devoted husband and provider, a wonderful father, grandfather, great grandfather, and friend. He loved his family, looking forward to every get together. He would start planning the next one, even before the last one ended. The 4th of July was a big celebration at their home in Lost Creek. All family knew the "magic code C70" to get whatever you desired from the country club. It was pure joy for Dave to have "his babies" close and enjoying the fruits of his labor. Dave was described by his sons as the most loyal man they ever knew. He would give away his last dime or travel cross country to come to the aid of any family member, friend, or friend of the family that needed his help. Being a depression baby, Dave came from humble beginnings, but possessed a true grit and desire to succeed and make his hard-working parents proud. After scraping his way to and through college, he graduated from Texas A&M University in the class of 1951. Dave was a proud member of the Fightin' Texas Aggie Band.

Dave was commissioned as a second lieutenant in the Air Force in 1951 and began his military career at Ellington Air Force Base in Houston. He went through Pilot training at Reese Air Force Base, Texas in 1952. In 1954-55 Dave and Nelda spent time in Munich, Germany, Toul-Rosiere, France, and finished his active duty career at Everuex, France, flying C-45s. In 1957 Dave joined the 446th Troop Carrier Wing as active duty air force reserve and began flying the C-119 Box Car and eventually the C-130 Hercules in the 924th Troop Carrier Squadron. In 1973 Lt. Colonel Cravey went to the War College at Maxwell AFB in Montgomery, Alabama. He graduated with a MPA from Auburn University after completing studies designed to prepare senior officers for high level command, including courses in issues and threats affecting our

national security. In 1974 Dave became the director of operations at the 440th TCW, Milwaukee, Wisconsin and in 1975 he returned to Ellington as the Central Regions Director of Operations. In 1978 Dave was promoted to full Colonel and took command of the 928th Tactical Airlift Group, Chicago-O'hara, Ill. In 1980 Dave retired from his ART career and returned to the 924th as a civilian executive officer at Bergstrom Air Force Base in Austin, Texas. Colonel Cravey retired on February 4, 1989.

Dave loved his family dearly and was involved in coaching his sons little league baseball teams, which included a championship or two! He and Nelda were long-time season ticket holders at Kyle Field where they enjoyed Aggie football and friends. They were founding members, with several other couples, in the Heritage Society with Texas A&M University.

Dave was preceded in death by: his father, Robert J Cravey; his mother, Emma Sims Cravey; his beautiful beloved daughter; Cathy Lynne; sister Bobbie Cook, and infant brother David Robert Cravey.

He is survived by his sons; Daniel Stephen Cravey and wife Lorna of Corpus Christi; a son Matthew David Cravey and wife Gina of Canyon, Texas; grandchildren Derek Rowe, Sarah Cravey Ochsankohl and husband Andy, Logan Cravey, Morgan Cravey, Jennifer Angelini, Travis Cravey, and great grandchildren Carter Rowe, William, Madeline, and Samantha Ochsankohl, and Liam Angelini. Dave is survived by his siblings Tom Cravey, Ed Cravey, Emily Martinsen, and Robin Cravey.

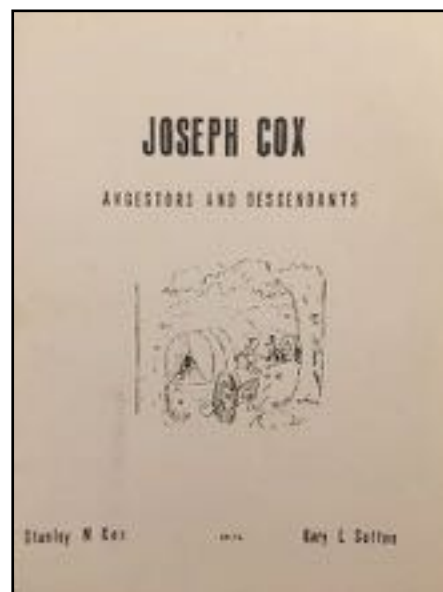
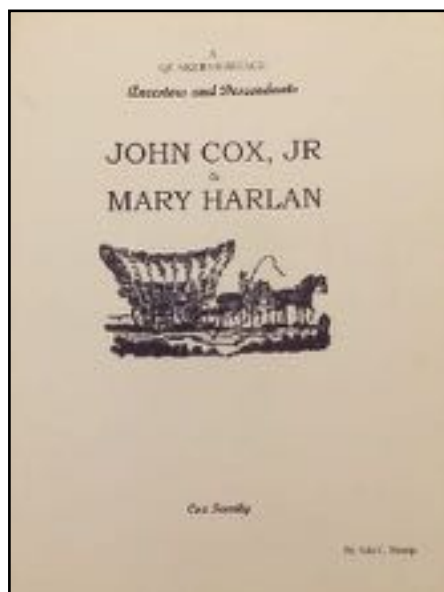
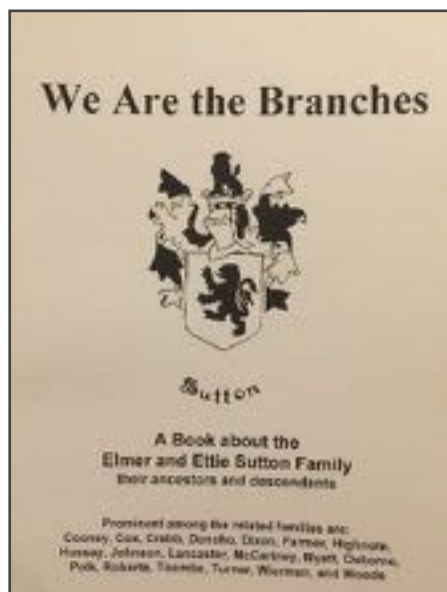
Visitation will be held 2:00 PM, Thursday, January 30, 2020 at Westlake United Methodist Church, 1460 Redbud Trail, Austin, TX 78746. Funeral Services will follow at 2:30 PM. Graveside Services with military honors, will be held at 9:30 AM, Friday, January 31, 2020 at Fort Sam Houston National Cemetery, San Antonio, TX.

LINEAGE: Husband of Nelda Joy Gentry
Nelda Joy Gentry > Marion Lucille Cox > Isaac Frank Cox
> Isaac Newton Cox > John W. Cox > Joseph Cox >
Solomon Cox Jr. > Solomon Cox & Naomi Hussey

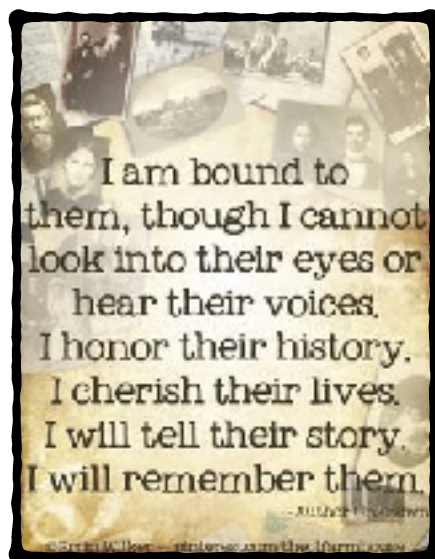
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Everyone is encouraged to create and bring a tri-fold poster board (science board) with something about your family and /or family history. These can be as simple or elaborate as you would like! Let's get to know one another!

## Join Brandywine Crucible, Inc.

Our family organization is about fellowship and fun, folklore, and family history! Dues are \$15, \$25, and \$100, depending on the level of support you want to provide. Our dues year run from June 1 to May 31<sup>st</sup>. It is not necessary to belong to Brandywine Crucible, Inc. to attend any of the Cox reunions. We do want you as a member! Brandywine Crucible, Inc. is a 501c3 corporation, so all contributions are fully tax deductible. Send your new or renewal dues to:

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**WHEN:** June 5th-7th, 2021  
**WHERE:** Lampasas, Texas  
**LOCATION:** TBD, Lampasas, Texas  
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