

May 7, 1964
Route One Box 267
Rigby, Idaho

Dear Mr. Killian,

In answer to your letter of April 8, I did receive a history book of the Killians in N.C. for which I will enclose another check.

I do not have very much geneology on the Killian line, so I wrote Mrs. Melva Lyon-Box 175-Firth, Idaho- who has much information. She made a visit to my home today to discuss your letter and to find out just what information you desire. She has worked on geneology many years and has attended your reunion in N.C. when Yates Killian was still living and corresponded with him. Mrs. Tucker of Sandy, Utah, whom you mentioned in your letter has been to Mrs. Lyons home this week seeking geneology.

We have prepared a letter to send to all the Killians we can locate in an effort to find all descendants of John Killian. Are you planning to make up a history book and do you want just pedigree charts?

My husband is a descendant of Phillip Killian whose son, John, came West.

Phillip Killian left North Carolina in 1804, he had 4 children at that time. In 1806, he had a child born in Hopkinsville Ky., then 2 in Bollinger Mr. He was a traveling hardware store with his bro.-in-law, Jacob Yaunt. They got their supplies in Lancaster Co. or City Pa. and traveled back to N.C. sell. John, son of Phillip, was supposed to have traveled with Daniel & Squire Boone for a while. He joined the Church of Jesus Christ of Later Day Saints in 1831 for which he filled a mission in Ky. in 1834. During the persecutions of the Saints in Mo. his house was burned in 1843 after which he came west with the Mormons.

This is all the information I have and this was taken from old church records. Mrs. Lyon may have more history on John, as she is also his descendant. When we hear from you as to what information you want we will see what we can do.

I am very much interested in the history of the Killians and will do whatever I can to further your work.

Sincerely,


Ellen Killian