

Killian Family Newsletter

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President's Points

Howdy Cousins,

I hope everyone had a wonderful Christmas and a Happy New Year. The 2012 Killian Family Reunion was once again a major success due to the Reunion Planning Committee and all of the Officers. I would like to thank each and everyone involved in the planning of the reunion. In the coming months, the process of planning the 2013 Killian Family Reunion will begin. It's our mission to make your reunion the most memorable event so you can tell other Killian cousins this is something to attend.

Special thanks goes to Sandy Phillips for all of her hard work with the reunions. She has served as Secretary, Treasurer, Board Member, and Reunion Planning Committee Member and unofficially as welcome table host, assistant photographer, and many other various rolls. This year, she will step away from the reunion planning and focus on branding, compliance, the newsletter, and the website.

I would like to welcome to our team, Steve Killian as Vice President, Doris Pope as Secretary, and Phyllis Killian as Assistant Treasurer. Steve and Phyllis are a husband and wife team who have experience as entrepreneurs and bring much needed skills to the AKDHA's management team. Doris has been working with the AKDHA for many years and her dedication is essential to our ongoing operation.

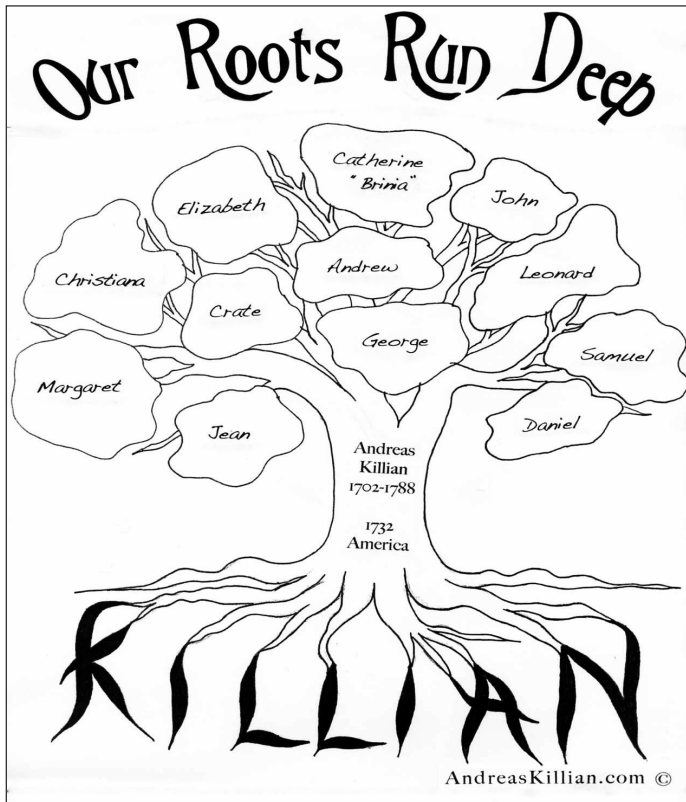
There is an election of officers every year. Our success can only be achieved with the participation of knowledgeable and dedicated Killian cousins. Please consider doing your part and send your resume via email to me at BladeManNC@yahoo.com. Dan Sipe, our Project and Program Director, and his family have gone through some medical trials since the Reunion. He is getting better, but we need to keep Dan and his family in our prayers. He and Steve Killian have started on the tombstone restoration project at Old Saint Paul's Church (OSP) in Newton, NC. This project is one of the most ambitious ones the AKDHA has undertaken. It will require proper training, tools and manpower, for sure. If you wish to join the restoration project, contact one of them via email:

Dan Sipe jdsipe@bellsouth.net or Steve Killian KillianPainting@gmail.com.

In closing, I would like to thank everyone involved in the AKDHA: our Officers, Reunion Planning Committee, and all the cousins who attend the reunions. I'm looking forward to seeing everyone again and hopefully meeting some new folks (cousins and spouses) at The Killian Family Reunion on September 6-8, 2013, in Hickory, NC.

Goodbye for now,
Eric Killian, President
Andreas Killian Descendants Historical Association
4404 Jetty Lane
Hickory, NC 28601





Andreas Killian Descendants Historical Association (AKDHA)

On June 17, 2010, the North Carolina Department of Revenue assigned AKDHA an exempt status for franchise and income tax purposes under Sections 105-125 and 105-130.11(a)(3), respectively, of the General Statutes of North Carolina.

Inquiries regarding our federal or state exemption status may be sent to:

Andreas Killian Descendants Historical Association (AKDHA)

c/o Pete Whitener, Treasurer,
5585 Startown Road, Newton, NC 28658

Our Mission Statement:

The primary purpose of the AKDHA is to research, educate and preserve the heritage of the German pioneer Andreas Killian and affiliated families who settled in the mid 1700's around the Catawba River in what is now Catawba County, North Carolina; and secondarily to assist other inquirers nationally or internationally on Killian research which may or may not be related to Andreas Killian.

Your Donations:

Contributions to AKDHA cover the expenses of the website, newsletter, other publications, the annual "Reunion" educational and business meetings, special events as well as any supporting administrative or fundraising costs needed to further our mission. Future goals supported by contributions will include monument/cemetery preservation, DNA research sponsorship, and educational scholarships. AKDHA has no paid staff or employees and depends entirely on volunteers and donations.

Confidentiality Policy:

It is our policy that personal information, such as your name, postal, and email address or telephone number, is private and confidential. We do not sell, trade, exchange or otherwise make available any personally identifiable information to any other company or organization. Personal information will not be released to third parties unless release is required by law or is pertinent to judicial or governmental investigations or proceedings.

Annual Reunion:

The AKDHA meets every year for a 3-day Reunion and Business Meeting on the weekend of the Second Sunday in September (SSS) in the Catawba County area of North Carolina at a location to be determined each year.

Newsletter:

The AKDHA Newsletter is published in February and August of each year with the possibility of a third special Reunion edition in Autumn, if needed. The Reunion Planning Committee meets in the first calendar quarter as needed. The printing and postage for your newsletter is paid from the AKDHA's General Fund.

AKDHA does not have a physical location.

For communication and storage of research material, we rely on:

Our Website: www.AndreasKillian.com

Our Newsletter: published in February and August

Individual email addresses can be found on the website and some USPS addresses can be found in every newsletter

This issue and all back issues of the newsletter are available for download at no charge on the website, www.AndreasKillian.com. Please refer to the date of the issue in your search.

Donations to AKDHA are appreciated.

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Association Officers for 2012-13

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Old Saint Paul's Lutheran Church Cemetery

Our Flagship in History: The most important & prestigious landmark for AKDHA



Old St. Paul's Church (OSP) in Newton is a two-story log weatherboarded church built in 1818. The original buildings were replaced by this landmark. The Old St. Paul's Church building as we see it today features a federal style interior with carved sounding boards and moldings, and a repurposed slave balcony. The building is one of the oldest existing churches in North Carolina west of the Catawba River. The graveyard headstones date to the 18th century. In 1971, the church building was listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

From the www.AndreasKillian.com website: "Historical sites such as cemeteries where gravesites as old as 200 years (some written in colonial German) are in dire need of maintenance or repair. We tour these historical cemeteries as a means to educate reunion attendees of the life and times of the colonial families therein buried. People from all over the country come to Lincoln and Catawba Counties to visit these historic cemeteries. Often they will contact members of the AKDHA for assistance in locating specific historic tombstones. In some cases where historic tombstones have been damaged or are missing, the AKDHA's goal is to afford the ability to repair or replace and therefore preserve these historic sites."

Our Association's largest project, yet to be accomplished, is to support the restoration of OSP's cemetery in conjunction with OSP church members. Over the years, the cemetery stones become in need of restoration as you may see in the photo above. The AKDHA has had this project on its agenda now for several years. It is here that we have the Andreas Killian monument, the gravestones of some of his family members, and the gravestones of other related names we have connections with.

Reverend Robert Sain spoke with us about the restoration project at the 2012 yearly Homecoming of OSP after worshipping with them in the old building. He was excited to support our efforts towards restoration effects on the cemetery and he helped to pull together the initial meeting between the two parties. That initial meeting took place on October 27, 2012 at OSP. The meeting was hosted by Reverend Sain and attendees included Eric Killian, Pete Whitener, Dan Sipe, Larry Kiziah, Marshall Hunt, Phillip Price, Jay Mantak, and myself, Steve Killian.

Mrs. Catherine H. Anderson of [Hopes Gravestone Care & Conversation, LLC](http://HopesGravestoneCare.com) will be assisting in the project. Catherine spoke to us at our initial meeting and we began to plow through the goals to accomplish going forward. Catherine is an avid conservator and knows what needs to be done. She has already begun the needed survey and will present it to us in the near future. Some of the issues discussed were misalignments, stones out of base, breaks, "walking" monuments, previous repairs, hidden stones (in ground), and unreadable stones.

It would be nice if we could participate in some restorations during our fall reunion. For more information contact me at KillianPainting@gmail.com or Dan Sipe at jdsipe@bellsouth.net.

Steve Killian, OSP Project Leader

The Kilian/Killian/Killion Y-DNA Project

Submitted by Cheryl Mann Killian, DNA Administrator

Descendants of Andreas Killian stepped up to the plate in 2012 with 3 new Y-DNA members. I want to welcome our new members: Billy "Bill" Glynn Killion, Lew Killian, and Ray Allen Killian Jr.

The call for a descendant of Soldier John, son of Leonard, to join the Y-DNA project netted **Billy "Bill" Glynn Killion** of College Station, TX. His results were excellent. Bill joins the elite 37-marker group of baseline members. Baseline marker values have been firmly established and connects the descendants of Andreas back to Sebastian, born before 1560. Bill's family line is: Bill > Ray Theodore Killion born: 1915 > Rufus Monroe Killion born 1888 > John Henry Killion born: 1845 > Eli Killion born: 1812 > David Killion born about: 1790 > "Soldier John" Killion born about: 1758 > Leonard Killian born: 1723 > Andreas born: 1702 > Andreas born: 1652 > Georg born about: 1616 > Georg born about: 1589 > Sebastian born before 1560 in Germany. Since Bill did not have the *distinctive marker* shared by descendants of Daniel Killian, born 1790, and Jonas Conrad Killian, the search continues for someone with a paper trail to pioneer Andreas Killian who does have that elusive *distinctive marker*.

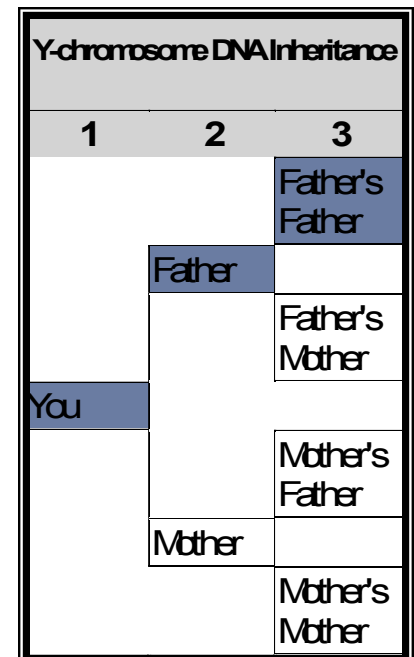
Lew Killian of Tallahassee, FL volunteered for the Y-DNA project at the 2012 reunion. He descends from Andreas' son Samuel. Lew's family line is: Lew > Lewis M. Killian Jr. born: 1919 > Lewis M. Killian born: 1889 > William Herndon Killian born: 1859 > Noah Killian born: 1829 > William Thomas Killian born: 1787 > Samuel C. Killian born about: 1756 > Andreas born: 1702 > Andreas born: 1652 > Georg born about: 1616 > Georg born about: 1589 > Sebastian born before 1560 in Germany.

Ray Allen Killian Jr. of Charlotte, NC ordered his 37 marker kit after the 2012 reunion. His family line is: Ray Allen Killian Jr. > Ray Killian Sr. born: 1922 > Albert Otto Killian born: 1888 > William Esley Killian born: 1857 > Anthony Killian born: 1827 > Joseph Killian born: 1800 > Samuel C. Killian born about: 1756 > Andreas born: 1702 > Andreas born: 1652 > Georg born about: 1616 > Georg born about: 1589 > Sebastian born before 1560 in Germany.

The Kilian/Killian/Killion Y-DNA project began in 2002 with the first four kits ordered. The project has grown to thirty-two descendants of Sebastian born before 1560 becoming members of the "Y" project. They are Walter Kilian of Germany, Bruce Kenneth Killian, Billy "Bill" Glynn Killion, Leon Marcus Killian III, Michael Killion, Robert Lee Killion Jr., William Killian, James Ronald Killian, Cleveland Max Killian, Lee Beatty Killian, Albert F. Killian, Jim Calvin Killian, David Lamar Killian, George Weldon Killian[†], Woodroe Willis Killian, William Hunter Killian[†], Richard Lee Killian, Daniel Elliott Killian, Charles David Killian, Ray Allen Killian Jr., David O. Killian, Robert Lantz Killian, Joe Killian, Lew Killian, Larry Eugene Killian[†], Robert Cherry Killian III, William Harry Killian, Gaddis Warren Killian[†], John Harrison Killian, Samuel Lee Killian Jr., Ted Jackson Killian, and one name withheld.

[†] denotes members who are known to have passed away.

If you do not think your family line is represented in the DNA project, contact me at fbcheryl@charter.net



DNA Project Member, William “Bill” Hunter Killian

U.S. World War II Army Enlistment Records transcribed by ancestry.com

Name: William H. Killian
 Birth Year: 1921
 Nativity State: Georgia
 Resident: Pickens County, GA
 Enlistment Date: 20 Sep 1940
 Enlistment State: Georgia
 Enlistment City: Fort McPherson, Atlanta, Fulton County
 Branch: Infantry
 Term of Enlistment: Enlistment for the Panama Canal Department
 Component: Regular Army
 Education: Grammar school
 Civil Occupation: Farm hands, general farms
 Marital Status: Single, without dependents
 Height: 66
 Weight: 135



William Hunter “Bill” Killian exaggerated his age when he enlisted in the Army, but some young men just couldn’t wait. He was born October 27th, 1922 and was 1 month and 7 days from his 18th birthday. He said, “Back then, everybody was country people, farmers, and we just wanted something else to do; something exciting.” He served from 1940-45 in the Army 29th Infantry Regiment and 82nd Airborne Division. The World War II veteran was the recipient of multiple metals; a Purple Heart for a combat wound received in Germany, a Bronze Star, battle stars, and expert rifleman. After the war, he graduated from a GI school in Canton and married Mamie Stover.

Bill was a native of Cherokee County, GA, but sometime after the 1930 census, his family moved to Pickens County. In the 1940 census of Towns District of Pickens County, the family is listed as living in Jasper, Pickens County, in 1935. His father Charles Killian is listed as a salary worker in Government work; Warden, State Highway Camp at a 12-month salary of \$1800. Bill and his brother, Murray, worked for the Government. Murray was a salary worker driving a tractor for the highway department at a 12-month salary of \$500. Bill was 17 years old and must have worked for an hourly wage as a laborer at the CCC camp.

Bill and his family descend from Andreas’ son, Andrew Jr.

/Andreas KILIAN born 1702

/Andrew KILLIAN Jr.

/Daniel KILLIAN b: 1765 d: ABT 1861

/Daniel M. KILLIAN b: 09 DEC 1822 d: 26 JUL 1888

/Thomas Jefferson KILLIAN b: 07 DEC 1848 d: 08 JUL 1917

| \Margaret ADDINGTON b: 01 MAR 1830 d: 31 OCT 1881

/Charles Clifford KILLIAN b: 10 OCT 1890 d: 05 APR 1983

| \Anna Harrison MCCOLLUM b: OCT 1861

William Hunter KILLIAN b: 27 OCT 1922 d: 26 MAY 2012

\Lillian Louise POORE b: 06 OCT 1895 d: 15 SEP 1970

William “Bill” Hunter Killian is and will always be a Killian DNA project member.

Researching Ancestral Roots

Some tips, sources, methods and aids to answering questions

“Where did we come from?” No doubt that question has been asked by people many times through the ages searching for information on their ancestral roots. A hundred years ago, and before that, large families were more the norm, and many people grew up knowing their extended family. The latter half of the twentieth century brought the “nuclear family,” smaller families living at ever greater distances from where they were born. Movement of people from one place to another often causes problems for the genealogist in finding out “where they went,” as well as “where did they come from.”

While procedures will vary for different locations, the beginning point in researching your past is always the present. What do you know for sure? Write it down in a journal or on a computer, it doesn't matter, but make a record of it. Use whatever format and media appeals to you. There are several suggestions on the Internet. At every opportunity talk to the older members of your family. You will be surprised what many of them can remember. Events, people, places, lifestyle, how they lived and earned their living are all important. Use video, audio, and any media you choose, but make a record of who tells you what. Family records may exist, but many times, they are hard to find. One question for your family members is who in the family had an interest in family history. Surprisingly, almost every family has one, about every two or three generations. Usually the same person will be the “collector of scrapbooks, clippings and photographs.” This is the time to look around the house, not just your own, but of older members of the family. Family Bibles frequently contain family information. Old desks, chests of drawers, attic and garage storage areas often contain overlooked documents, souvenir buttons, medals, awards, pictures, and mementos of events that can provide information not found elsewhere. There is “a grain of truth” and a little bit of “embellishment in almost all family stories. The phenomenon of “genealogical compression” occurs frequently. This phenomenon is attributing something that happened to a previous ancestor to a more recent ancestor. (One person was long taught that his great-grandfather was a Surgeon in the Civil War. No, the Civil War Surgeon was his great-great grandfather).

Not everybody can read old manuscripts. In most manuscripts, it is hard to distinguish between the handwritten names David and Daniel. In our family, many Davids have a brother named Daniel, and cousins with the same names. My great-aunt did some preliminary work on our family starting while I was quite young. She had much more firsthand information than I did, but for years mistakenly read old documents and contributed to Daniel much that really happened to his brother David. It took the finding of additional records to sort out many events.

Practically every document you will encounter on the Internet will be a digital copy of what was originally a handwritten document. Many of the fairly recent death certificates found on the Internet are on forms that may be completed with handwriting or printed information. Many times the indexes prepared from those documents do not agree with reading of the text. No matter how old a source, always try to get a look at the source document, not someone's extract of what it supposedly says. Research guides and extracts may not always agree with the original, and as a researcher who knows a little bit about the time, place and people, the information in the original handwritten document may say something altogether different to me than it did to a volunteer preparing extracts or indexes for the web. As a rule, always check the original whenever you can.

Oral family history is a place to start. It can point you in the right direction, even if no one in the family can tell you everything you want to know. It is very helpful to have family information on members of the family who were born since 1940 (for people less than 72 years of age). In the United States, public records less than 72 years old are not generally available on the Internet. Sources of information outside the family include:

- ◆ Newspapers from where your family lived.
- ◆ Courthouse records of births, marriages, and deaths.
- ◆ Land records of grants, deeds of sale, and transfer.
- ◆ Probate court records of wills, intestate deaths, and estate settlements.
- ◆ Church records of births, baptisms, marriages, and deaths.
- ◆ Libraries, especially those with genealogy collections.

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When one chooses to extend the research outside known family members, the first step may well be to check to see who, if anyone, has already researched your ancestor. You may find such records in your local library. Today you may find them on Internet sites such as Ancestry.com and Genealogy.com. There are many family trees and histories known only to their compilers, friends, and family.

There are many records available to the public. A word of caution that cannot be overemphasized: **The name may be the same as your ancestor, but name alone does not mean it is you ancestor.** And a corollary to that emphasis: **Your ancestor's name may not be spelled the way you expected to find it.** Names on public documents were often recorded on the basis of what the clerk thought he heard, and are often phonetic recordings. Public records that are available on the Internet include:

Census Records

In the United States, the first **federal census** of the population was in 1790. At ten-year intervals thereafter, the enumerations have continued. The most recent was taken in 2010. Censuses from 1790 through 1840 list the names of heads of household. Names of wives and children are not included, but do categorize them by sex and age brackets, which differ from census to census. Beginning in 1850, each individual enumerated was named and categorized by age and sex. However, it was not until 1880 that the census began listing the relationship of household inhabitants to the head of household. Most of the 1890 census was destroyed by fire. The most recent census available to the public is the 1940 census, which was released in April 2012, has now been indexed, and is available on the web. All census dates are at best estimates of the age of the person involved. Both the 1900 and the 1910 federal census have three very important blocks for information not found on other census years. During both years, the census lists the number of years married for both husband and wife. Then for the wife the census lists number of children she has had. The next block lists the number still living. The same blocks appear again in 1910, with slight modification. Both husband and wife are identified as to the number of times they have been married, by M1, M2, M3, etc. Again, the mother is identified by number of children born and number still living.

State census records have been taken in the United States, especially just prior to statehood. In much the same format the state census records are helpful and supplemental to what can be found on the federal census. State census information is typically not as comprehensive in data items as the federal census in helping to specifically identify your ancestor. They can help fill gaps in our knowledge.

Birth and Death Records

Births and deaths are among the oldest records in America, but by no means comprehensive. In America, birth records for people born prior to World War I (1918) were not recorded. Generally speaking, the further east you are, the more apt you are to find a birth record prior to the 20th Century. In Colonial days and early statehood days, many records were recorded, at the option of the father, in the courthouse where he lived. Certain others were recorded in connection with cases in probate court, etc. Every state has death records. Many cities have death records, but most are not available on line. The Social Security Death Index is available on line, but requires some prior knowledge of the individual you seek to help identify the correct person. Other sources or verifications of approximate birth and death dates include:

- ◆ Voter registration of poll taxes.
- ◆ Personal or land taxes.
- ◆ Deeds. Usually a seller has to be at least 21 years old.
- ◆ Membership in fraternal organizations.
- ◆ Christening or baptism dates. Only approximate date of birth.
- ◆ Tombstone dates. Engraved in stone, but is it correct? Is it your relative?
- ◆ Obituaries, Funeral homes, newspapers, Internet, family collections.
- ◆ Marriage Application Records.
- ◆ Bishop or Pastor's Records of baptisms, sacraments, marriages and burials.
- ◆ Passenger lists of Arrivals and Departures.
- ◆ Military - Draft registration, enlistment, or pension papers.
- ◆ Local County Histories prepared by local historical societies, articles written by many contributors.

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Marriage Records and Indexes

Marriage records are among the oldest of records maintained by mankind, but sometimes hard to locate in the United States. In existence from Colonial times, most marriage records more than a hundred years old are hard to locate. Many of the original documents have been discarded, or donated to the Mormon Library in Salt Lake City. Others are still in the Court House where the marriage was recorded, but have never been digitized for the Internet. Many have been lost due to fire and other reasons. During the 1930's, one of the national work programs of the Works Project Administration involved the cataloging and microfilming of births, deaths, and marriages in some of the states. That project has assisted in preserving the records of people who were born, married and/or died before 1930, but the project is not comprehensive, was never completed, and lacking a lot of information. Some marriage records are available online on a fee basis. In other cases, some marriage licenses can be verified online by members of services such as Ancestry.com, if you already know the names of one of the parties to the marriage. You can verify the date, but not the spouse. Then if you know the spouse's name, you can find the marriage date and location again. Rules vary by state and the age of the marriage. A word of caution - **All marriages performed before April 1940 should be verified by checking the federal census.** This will validate the marriage record as being your ancestor of interest in those cases where the marriage record itself does not list parents or age of the bride and groom.

One method of arriving at an approximate date of marriage for early American marriages is to take the birth year of the oldest child and subtract one year to give the estimated year of marriage. In so doing, you are assuming (1) the child is the oldest and (2) the child is the natural child of this mother and this father. When this method is used, it must be recognized as only an approximation. Most lineage societies reject dates determined this way.

In some states where the wife has a dower right and signs title transfer papers with her husband, it can suggest a marriage that occurred at some date prior to the date of transfer of the land involved. Homestead applications and bounty land records can also contain information on marriages.

Proof of Parentage

There is no substitute for Parental DNA testing, though it is not always possible. Be especially careful in gathering information from the Internet on your ancestor. Errors and mistakes occur, no matter how careful or talented the researcher. One very common error is software may identify a son or a daughter as being a step-child of one parent or an adopted child of one or both parents. If there is no comment in the text file, the child will appear as a natural son and natural daughter of the parents involved. Currently the GEDCOM standards for moving genealogy information between computer programs contain no standard for identifying adopted or step-children. Yet, in most cases the adopted child of a deceased has legal rights equal to or in some cases exceeding those of a natural child. Other errors occur through mistakes and misidentifications. Some typos are easily recognizable, as in when the mother is younger than the child. But not all typos are that easy to spot. Several ways to indicate the possibility of parentage include:

- ◆ Prove a relationship between your relative and one of his/her siblings who has already been proven a child of the ancestor. (Example: An older brother who has birth certificate or other documentation proving his parentage gives affidavit attesting to the fact that your ancestor is his sibling).
- ◆ Your ancestor is mentioned in a will or intestate probate settlement awarding him/her a share in the settlement of the estate involved. Your ancestor signed the deed or bill of sale transferring property or shares of property previously owned by the deceased.

These suggestions are not intended to make you into a professional genealogist, but they are intended to help you identify and find as much as you choose about your family, who they were, where they lived, what they did, and challenges faced. In your journey you may encounter a few roadblocks, perhaps even a brick wall, but you will also be rewarded with answers, speculations and suspicions that make you hunger to know more. Researching one's ancestors will be a lesson in history combined with sociology and even a little psychology mixed in like nothing you ever studied in college or university.

Bill Hinds
February 19, 2013

Researching Obituaries

Rites For J. D. Killian One of County's Oldest Residents

One of Collin County's oldest residents passed away November 21st [1943] with the death of J. D. Killian, Sunday morning at 6 o'clock after a lingering illness of 6 months at his home.

Mr. Killian was born in Polk County, Tennessee, June 24th, 1861. He was 83 years of age.

He was married to Sarah Elizabeth Gill of Hiawasse College, Tennessee, May 17, 1883. They moved to Texas in 1888 and settled near Farmersville where they have lived ever since except for two years spent in Oklahoma.

He left a wife and twelve children and a host of friends to mourn his passing.

Those surviving him are: His wife, Sarah E. Killian and the following children, Mrs. J. W. Patterson, Mrs. M. V. Jackson, Mrs. Jessie Webb, and 8. [B.] H. Killian all of Farmersville: Mrs. Nettie Lingo and W. A. Killian of Dallas, Mrs. C. R. Myers of Lewisville, Texas: Mrs. J. E. Gallimore of Agua Dulce, Texas: Mrs. C. H. Webb and T. J. Killian of Roff, Okla., and C. A. Killian of San Angelo, Texas.

He leaves 65 grandchildren and 51 great-grandchildren.

The funeral services were held at The First Baptist Church Monday at 3 o'clock by Rev. M. E. Wyatt. Interment was made at the Prairie Grove Cemetery by the Crouch-Moore Funeral Home of McKinney.

The pallbearers were grandsons, Will A. Patterson, J. D. Patterson, Poland Burns, and Alvin Patterson of Farmersville and T. O. Mallory and Eddie Reeves of Tyler, Texas.

The transcription of J. D. Killian's obituary by Wayne Milam gives wealth of information; his birth, death, and wedding date, wife's maiden name, children's names, and burial place. Yet, the obituary of J. D. Killian does not tell the complete story. You will notice only 11 of his 12 living children are named. It is the obituary of Mrs. Sarah Elizabeth Killian, J. D. Killian's wife, were you find the name of the 12th living child; Mrs. J.A. [Ella Mae] Williams and a surprise, the name of a notable grandson, Audie Murphy of Hollywood, CA. With the name Audie Murphy, you keep looking and find Jefferson Davis Killian had 14 known children. Two children preceded him and his wife in death. Hattie Killian was born 20 SEP 1887 and Josie Belle Killian was born 28 MAY 1891. Josie Belle Killian Murphy was the mother of the most decorated and famous American combat soldier of World War II.

From Bill Hinds and www.rootsweb.com you will find the lineage of Jefferson Davis KILLIAN b: 24 JUN 1861 d: 21 NOV 1943 to > Andrew Howard KILLIAN bc: 1806 to > Andrew KILLIAN III b: 07 APR 1771 d: NOV 1828 to > Andrew KILLIAN Jr. bc: 1735 d: BEF 22 SEP 1785 to > Andreas KILIAN b:1702 d: 1788 to >Andreas b: 1652 to > Georg bc: 1616 to > Georg bc: 1589 to > Sebastian born before 1560 in Germany.

Transcribing old newspaper clippings is not an easy task. Every researcher appreciates the work that goes into the transcription, but realizes it is always best to compare the transcription to the original document.

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He leaves 65 grandchildren and 51 great-grandchildren.

The funeral services were held at the First Baptist Church Monday at 3 o'clock by Rev. M. E. Wyatt. Interment was made at the Prairie Grove Cemetery by the Crouch - Moore Funeral Home of McKinney.

The pallbearers were grandsons, Will A. Patterson, J. D. Patterson, Poland Burns and Alvin Patterson of Farmersville, and T. O. Mallory and Eddie Reeves of Tyler, Texas.

Obituaries

In Memory of the Life between the Dash.

Frances Jean Magnusson Jones of Rome, GA (FEB 27, 1929—FEB 15, 2013). Mrs. Jones was born in Menlo, GA, the daughter of the late James Lawrence Magnusson and Gertrude Zenovia White Magnusson. She is survived by her husband; Thomas (Tom) Jones to whom she was married for 58 years, one daughter Barbara Courie; one grandchild Michael Thomas Courie; and one sister Mrs. Wanda Jeanette Bomia. A memorial service was held FEB 18, 2013 at West Rome United Methodist Church. The burial of Mrs. Jones ashes took place FEB 19 at McNutt Memorial United Methodist Church, in the Loveless community, Ft. Payne, AL. [Hinds RIN #24016]

Esther Adelia Beamer Coulbourn of Conover, NC (MAR 25, 1933—JAN 23, 2013). She was born in Philadelphia, PA, the daughter of William Beamer and Madeline Lang Beamer. Her children include Andreas Killian descendants; Wayne Patrick Killian, James Leonard Killian, and Barbara Jo Killian Nordyke. Funeral service were held Saturday, JAN 26, at St. Peter's Lutheran Church in Conover and burial followed in the church cemetery. [Hinds RIN #62866]

Glo Thurbon Ham of DeKalb County, AL (FEB 15, 1926—JAN 16, 2013). She was born in Australia. She was the widow of Robert Preston Ham Sr., a descendant of Daniel Killian (1790). She was preceded in death by her husband; and a son, Billy Ham. She was survived by her children, Randall Ham, Charles Ham, Jay Ham, and Sharon Alexander. [Hinds RIN #24388]

Martha Jolene Killian Clontz Vanhorn of Hickory, NC (DEC 30, 1934—JAN 11, 2013). A native of Catawba County, NC, she was the daughter of the late Gordon and Lottie Shook Killian. Jolene was a member of St. Stephens Lutheran Church. She was preceded in death by her parents, her first husband, Richard Clontz; second husband, Adoff Vanhorn; brother, Ray Killian; and a great-grandson, Richard Boston. She is survived by two daughters, Sharon Flowers and Robin Earp; two sisters, Donna Bowman and Louise Huffman; brother, Brice Killian; four grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren. The funeral service was held JAN 14 at St Stephens Lutheran Church, in Hickory and burial followed at Catawba Memorial Park. [Hinds RIN #62224]

Mary Julia Clowney Killian of Fort Mill, SC (MAY 6, 1930—JAN 8, 2013). She was born in Blair, SC; the daughter of Spratt Clowney Sr. and Marie Crowder Clowney. She is survived by daughter, Jennie K. Stuart; two grandchildren, Will Stuart and Julie S. Swadley. She was a member of New Hope United Methodist Church. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Davis G. Killian. The funeral service was JAN 12 and the interment was in Chester Memorial Gardens. [Hinds RIN #26476]

Kenneth Morgan Killian of Homosassa, FL (AUG 18, 1983—JAN 4, 2013). He was the son of Donald Leonard Killian Jr. and the grandson of Donald Leonard Killian Sr., and the great-grandson of Arville Leonard Killian. [Hinds RIN #62896]

Verdie Pauline Kaylor Mitchell of Hickory, NC (OCT 28, 1917—NOV 9, 2012). She was preceded in death by her father, Robert Alvin Kaylor; her mother, Annie Mae Killian; her husband, Clyde L. Mitchell; and her son, Brent L. Mitchell. She is survived by four children, Clyde Jerry Mitchell, Kay M. Jenkins, Dianne M. Huffman, and Kavin D. Mitchell; ten grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; and seven great-great-grandchildren. [Hinds RIN #62333]

Friley Joseph "Joe" Ford Jr. of Ragley, LA (DEC 15, 1932—SEP 15, 2012). He died in his residence surrounded by his family. He is survived by his wife of 54 years, Marie Ann Lokey Ford of Ragley; sons, Friley "Smokey" Justin Ford, Stoney Ford, Andy "Drew" Ford; brother, Blake Ford; six grandchildren, Thora Jane Ford, Friley Jonah Ford, Taryn Elayne Ford, Gerald Eckard, Kristian Fruge, and Payton Fruge; five great grandchildren. He was born to Thelma Mae Driggers and Friley Joseph Ford Sr. in Tensas, LA. Mr. Ford was preceded in death by his parents and son, David Wayne Ford. His funeral service was SEP 18 and burial at Magnolia Cemetery in Ragley. Friley "Joe" Joseph Ford Jr. descends from George Killian, son of Andreas; He was the grandson of David Franklin Ford and Roxanna Killian, daughter of Joseph Nathaniel Killian, Sr. and granddaughter of George Killian III and Mary Parrott. [Hinds RIN #84201]

Audrey Kathleen "Katy" Humphrey Killion, of Paris, IL (JUN 2, 1923—SEP 10, 2012). A native of Paris, IL, she married Eugene "Gene" Killion there on MAY 24, 1947. Katy was a homemaker, a partner in Killion & Sons Apiaries and the daughter of the late Daniel W. and Kathryn (Gillum) Humphrey. She is survived by her husband and son, Mark Killion. She was a 1941 graduate of Paris High School, and was awarded the titles of MAY Fete Queen and D.A.R. Good Citizen. She was a devoted, lifelong member of First United Methodist Church. She was active as a Girl Scout leader and a Cub Scout den mother for many years, and was a emeritus member and former officer of Paris Garden

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Study Club. A talented singer, she sang with a Paris area dance band during the 1940s. She also was a gifted and published poet, and was a past recipient of the National Library of Poetry's Editor's Choice Award. Funeral service was SEP 13 and burial followed in Edgar Cemetery. [Hinds RIN #9159]

Ronald Gordon Scott of Ada, OK (OCT 6, 1930—AUG 31, 2012). A native of Ada, OK, he was the son of Gordon B. and Nellie O. Killian Scott. He married Wanda Joyce Jones on OCT 6, 1949. Mr. Scott was formerly the owner of K & S Floor Covering in Ada, and later a deputy with the Pontotoc County Sheriff's Department until his retirement. He served in the U.S. Army from 1949 until 1953. He is survived by his children, Evonda Jackson, Carol Richardson, Donald Scott, Arnold Scott, and Loretta Bush; 11 grandchildren, Justin Priest, Kandyce Jones, Karis Alford, Destry Richardson, Jason Richardson, Casie Elkins, Brytanie Shinault, Joe Myers, Donny Scott, Logan Scott, and Heston Bush; 10 great-grandchildren; one brother, Wayne Scott of Missouri; and two sisters, Lawanna Villines and Chloe Boydston. He was preceded in death by his parents; his wife, Joyce; an infant brother; and a great-great grandchild. Burial at Memorial Park Cemetery. He was a grandson of Thomas Jefferson Killian [Hinds RIN #22591]. He descends through Andrew Killian Jr. and Andrew Killian III. [Hinds RIN # 85326]

Mattie Mae Knight Killian of Campbell Creek, Maggie Valley, NC (MAY 8, 1923—JUL 1, 2012). A native of Haywood County, NC, she was the daughter of the late Cash and Callie Jane McGaha Knight. Her mind was sharp as a tack. She loved visitors and telling old local and family histories. She was also preceded in death by her husband, Thomas Robert Killian, who died in 1992 and her daughter, Dorothy Edwards. She worked at the Living Waters Motel for 38 years and was a member of First United Methodist Church of Maggie Valley. Mattie loved listening to gospel and bluegrass music and enjoyed cooking and being with her family. She is survived by daughter, Harriet Jimison and son, Robert Killian; eight grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren; and three great-great-grandchildren. Her funeral service was JUL 5, 2012 and burial followed in Garrett-Hillcrest Memorial Park. [Hinds RIN 46722]

Clyde McCain Hyde of Tucson, AZ (MAY 20, 1923—MAY 27, 2012). He was born in Wichita Falls, TX to Jephtha Lafayette Hyde and Gertie Belle Killian Hyde. He was preceded in death by his parents; his first wife Betty Jane Austin Hyde; his wife of over 40 years, Marcia Ellen Richey Hyde; brothers, C.B. Hyde, W.C. Hyde; sister, Clayton Crable and sister-in-law, Jean Hyde. He was a U. S. Army veteran of World War II, Master Mason, Adobe Lodge #41, 33 Degree Mason and Tucson Scottish Rite. He is survived by sons, John B. Hyde, Thomas J. Hyde and Jeffrey D. Hyde; brother, Thomas Lee Hyde; five granddaughters; several great-grandchildren. Graveside service was JUN 1, 2012 at Evergreen Cemetery in the Masonic Section, Tucson, AZ. [Hinds RIN #84842]

William "Bill" Hunter Killian of Canton, GA (27 OCT 1922—MAY 26, 2012). Survivors include son, David Killian; daughters Debbie Dempsey and Kathy Stevens; sister, Jean Pinyan; 7 grandchildren, and 8 great-grandchildren. Mr. Killian was preceded in death by wife, Mamie Stover Killian; son, William Hunter Killian Jr.; parents, Charles Clifford Killian and Louise Poore Killian; brothers, Paul and Murray Killian; sister, Barbara Brooks. The funeral service was MAY 28 and burial at Holly Springs Baptist Church Cemetery. Read more about Bill Killian on page 5. [Hinds RIN #47685]

Clara Delores Drake Killion of Sterling, IL (JAN 17, 1922 –APR 28, 2012). She was born in Marshall, IL, the daughter of Allen Drake and Hallie Culter Drake. She married Carl Edward Killion Jr. on JAN 8, 1949 in Paris, IL. Their advertising company was Carl E. Killion and Associates. She was preceded in death by her husband; her son, Allen Killion; and one grandchild, Jamie Killion. She is survived by a daughter, Susan Killion Loring; six grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren. A graveside service was held at Oak Knoll Memorial Park in Sterling. [Hinds RIN #9156]

Terry Lynn Grant of Tahlequah, OK (NOV 27, 1953—MAR 22, 2010). He was born in Muskogee, OK and graduated from Tahlequah High School in 1972. As the owner of Terry's Electric, he worked over 30 years in the Tahlequah community and trained many men in the electrical trade. He married Donna Sue Thomas on MAY 13, 1988 in Tahlequah. Terry is survived by his wife; sons, Austin Grant, Brandon Simmons, and Jason Simmons; grandsons Jesten and Caleb Simmons; his mother, Sandra Delcyne Boswell Grant; brother, Kelly Grant; sister, Sandy Welch; and sister, Donna Grant of Muskogee. He is preceded in death by his maternal grandparents, J.B. and Lora Boswell and father, Steve Grant. Funeral service was MAR 26 and burial followed at the Tahlequah City Cemetery. [Hinds RIN # 82426]

Lottie Elizabeth Ford Killion of Knoxville, TN (OCT 1, 1923—APR 4, 2012). She married Boyd Escoe Killion on JUN 10, 1939 in Claiborne Co., TN. They had 6 children and 15 grandchildren. Burial at Cedar Grove Cemetery, Knox County, TN. Her husband was a descendant of William Killion (1768) and Alyce Anne Coleman. [Hinds RIN #18546]

From The Editor's Desk

It won't be long until warm weather will be here and we all will be thinking of vacations. I hope that everyone will include the Killian reunion in their plans this year. As always, it will be the second Sunday in September weekend, September 6, 7, and 8. This year's agenda has not been set, but I am sure it will be interesting and informative, as well as entertaining. Each year, my wife, Cheryl and I have a good time and we usually learn something new about my ancestors. Of course, Hickory, NC is a great place to visit.

Cheryl and I try to get the winter issue out in February every year, but this year with her parents health problems our schedule has been hectic. We apologize for this issue being late.

In this issue, we have an article on Bill Killian and his hobby, which is carving fish and other wildlife from wood, included is a picture of one of his fish and it is very impressive. You can also go to the Andreas Killian website at www.AndreasKillian.com and see the picture in color. The Killian family is a very diverse group of people with many talents. I would like to include you and your hobby in a future issue of "The Killian Family Newsletter." We are always interested in receiving articles about your Killian family.

If you haven't been to the website, www.AndreasKillian.com, recently you really should check it out. Wayne Setzer, our webmaster, and Sandy Phillips, the Association's go-to person, put a lot of work into it and I believe you will agree that it is world class. Association news and information usually appears first on the website, so visit often.

If you have questions about genealogy or you have hit a brick wall with your research you just never know who may be able to put you on the right track. All you have to do is ask. We have several very knowledgeable genealogists that willingly share their findings and will help in any way they can. Cheryl, sometimes gets involved in the "Great Searches".

I hope to see you at the reunion in September. Cheryl and I usually have a table set up, so stop by and say hello. We are always open to comments and suggestions.

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AKDHA Help Wanted

Journalist to collect and prepare Andreas Killian Descendants related commentary, news, and feature written materials through the Killian Family Newsletter, the Killian-L, and www.AndreasKillian.com. Submit your resume to Eric Killian, AKDHA President, BladeManNC@yahoo.com.

Reporter to conduct interviews at the Annual Reunion; and report information to present in the Killian Family Newsletter. Annual attendance of the Second Sunday in September weekend reunion is required. Submit your resume to Eric Killian, Reunion Welcome Committee Chairman, BladeManNC@yahoo.com.

Columnist to write a series of articles for the Killian Family Newsletter; creating articles that offer commentary and opinions. Submit your "Column" idea to Dan Sipe, AKDHA Projects Director, jdsipe@bellsouth.net.

Editorial writers to write one or more articles which appeal to the readers of the Killian Family Newsletter on current popular taste or public interest. Submit your articles to Charles Killian, Killian Family Newsletter Editor, ckilli@charter.net.

AKDHA Officers. Must be an active member of AKDHA and attend the annual reunions while in office. This year's election will be held during the Business Meeting on Saturday, September 7th. For more information, contact Eric Killian at BladeManNC@yahoo.com or Dan Sipe at jdsipe@bellsouth.net.

What One Andreas Killian Descendant Is Doing



Bill and Margaret Killian at the 2012 Killian Family Reunion

Billy "Bill" Mack Killian was born in Lubbock County, Texas, on November 25, 1949. He is the third and youngest son of Oscar Killian (1897-1978) and Viola Mae Fowler (1907-1995) and descends from Andreas' son Andrew Jr. to > Daniel Killian b: 1765-d: ABT 1861 to > Andrew Jackson Killian b: 1816-d: 04 NOV 1879 to > John Lafayette Killian b: 10 JUN 1856-d: 12 APR 1933 to > Oscar Daniel Killian (b: 04 FEB 1897, in Martindale, Caldwell County, Texas-d: 16 APR 1978 in Denver City, Yoakum County, Texas).

Bill says his family farmed and ranched in an area close to the New Mexico/Texas state line, but Ancestry.com searches revealed his father, Oscar, ventured in retail businesses in Lubbock County and Andrews County, Texas. By 1943, Oscar is a real estate entrepreneur in Lubbock, Texas. The life of Oscar Killian deserves a narrative of his own.

Bill grew up in Denver City, Texas, but lived for a short time in New Mexico where his mother was employed as a teacher. He graduated from Denver City High School in 1967. On May 31, 1969, Billy M. Killian and Margaret L. Creech were married in Yoakum County, Texas. Margaret is the daughter of William Edward Creech Jr. and Lexie Lucretia "Lou" Parker.

Bill and Margaret's first son, Scott Patrick Killian was born on September 3, 1971, the same year Bill received a Bachelor of Arts Degree from Texas Tech University. In 1972, Bill began his career in education in Crosbyton, Texas, as a teacher and coach. In 1973, the family moved Tullia, Swisher County, Texas where Bill accepted a similar educational position. Bill and Margaret's second son, Gary Shane Killian was born there on April 2, 1974.

In 1979, Bill accepted a position at Midway High School as a teacher and coach. He received a Master of Science Degree from Baylor University in 1982. The remainder of Bill's career was with the Midway School system. In total, Bill spent 33 years as a High School teacher and coach, Junior High School Athletic Coordinator, Junior High Assistant Principal, Principal of Hewitt Elementary, and Principal of Midway Middle School.

Bill's parents influenced his vocations and his faith. He retired from his long career in education to devote time to other projects. Bill and Margaret are members of Harris Creek Baptist Church in McGregor, Texas, where Bill now serves as an Elder. He is also Vice-Chairman of the Board of Trustees for the Region 12 Education Service Center in Waco. He also serves as a Volunteer Firefighter for the city of Woodway.

Bill never has an idle moment. He would like to go bear hunting; Margaret would prefer he didn't.

Of the many things he enjoys are wood carving, hunting, fishing, and writing. A brown trout carved by Bill took Third Place and was awarded the National Fish Carvers Guild Merit Award at the 2011 World Fish Carving Championships. The trout pictured on the back cover of this newsletter took First Place at a recent competition and will be entered in the World Championship in May of this year.

Bill's son, Scott, married Janet Robertson on October 25, 1997 and his son, Gary, married Jennifer Lynn Sepulvado on January 6, 2007. Grandchildren: Parker and Taylor Killian (Scott), Brooke Killian (Gary).

RECAP: 2012 Andreas Killian Descendants Annual Reunion

As remembered by Mrs. Charles D. Killian

The 2012 Second Sunday in September weekend reunion will be hard for the Reunion Planning Committee to beat. The weekend began Friday night at Mt. Zion Lutheran Church Fellowship Hall, County Home Road, Conover, NC with dinner by Jennifer Brittain of Jennifer's Café and entertainment by the Brothers Redeemed Quartet. I personally felt the members of the quartet left too soon, missing accolades and a CD purchase by me. Dan Barefoot gave a spirited address on the *"Vital Role of the Catawba River Valley and Its Citizens in the Ultimate Outcome of the American Revolution."*



Saturday morning started with a 56-passenger coach tour. First stop was Killian Hardware, which is always a big hit, where the family opened the museum especially for us. The second stop was Auto Sports in Hickory with all the beautiful classic cars. Then the tour headed to the Hickory Museum of Art for a guided tour featuring an exhibit by folk artist Arie Reinhardt Taylor and Arie was there to talk to each and every one of us. For lunch, the staff at the Hickory Tap Room did a wonderful job. Hickory Tap Room is located on Union Square where The Hickory Tavern Monument is located and where The Hickory Farmers Market is open on Saturday morning April to November. After lunch, many of us visited the Hickory Farmers Market to walk off lunch. The market was another treat with over 30 vendors of fresh, locally

grown produce, potted plants and herbs, cut flowers, fresh baked goods, and much more. At The Hickory Tavern Monument we met Rudy Wright, the Mayor of Hickory. The mayor has never met a stranger, handing out keys to the city to many in our group. We had dodged rain all day, but the rain came in buckets at Old Saint Paul's Church for the Ceremony of German Stones Burial. The ceremony was held inside the old historic building and the stones were buried the next day after Sunday morning church services. What a busy, fun day! I must say that the Saturday tour was the best part of the reunion! At 3:00pm SHARP we were back at Mt. Zion Lutheran Church for Jason Harpe's presentation entitled *"Who Goes There: Historic Cemeteries as Solemn Final Resting Places, Historic Resources & Timeless Seats of Wisdom"*. The very important Business Meeting began at 4:00pm.

After Sunday morning church services, lunch was catered at Mt. Zion Lutheran Church Fellowship Hall. Following lunch, Tammy Wilson's presentation was on *"Troublesome Years 1810-1820"*, a narrative to shed light on historical events most American history classes ignore but our ancestors couldn't. We closed with the annual photo before the trip home.

Eighty people were registered to attend the reunion. I can only think of one couple that did not show. Some of our first timers included Marian Stapley and her son, Brent Stapley of Meza, AZ; Lewis "Lew" Killian Jr. and wife Patsy of Tallahassee, FL; John Harrison Killian, both Jr. and Sr., of Maytown, AL; and Dewayne and Sandra Holmes of Arab, AL. As always, I enjoyed seeing Leonard and Beverly Holcombe, Ruth Killian White, Ruth and Carlton Darnell, Nancy Kerr, Bill and Rose Polete, and Jimmie and Betty Price. I missed seeing Dr. William "Bill" Killian and Robert Lantz Killian and I hope to see them this year.

I was sad to hear, Katy Killion, the wife of Gene Killion of Paris, IL, passed away on September 10th, 2012. Gene wanted to come to the reunion but Katy's illness prevented him from traveling. In a generous gesture to be there in spirit, he sent 2 cases of Killion's Honey to share with his Killian cousins at the reunion! Gene, thank you! I use honey in my coffee every morning and I hope to see you this year.

2012 Scholarship Awarded to Taylor Rae Deese.

The 2012 AKDHA Scholarship Award Program winner is Taylor Rae Deese. She is the granddaughter of Wayne and Ginger Setzer and a great granddaughter of Neta Viola Killian Setzer [Hinds RIN # 47078]. Taylor is in her junior year at The University of North Carolina at Wilmington and is majoring in History with a minor in Religion. Although Taylor was not able to attend the reunion, she sent the following letter to Dan and the Scholarship Committee.

September 8, 2012

Dear Mr. Sipe,

I would like to take this opportunity to express my deepest gratitude to the 2012 Andreas Killian Descendants Historical Association's scholarship committee for awarding me a \$500.00 scholarship. I am truly honored and blessed to have a family connection to an organization that is concerned with financially supporting higher education. As Charles D. Killian stated, "...I believe it is our duty and privilege to carry on out of respect for them and for the benefit of future generations." Although this quote speaks to continuing the research and memory of the Killian ancestry line, the Killian Association is supporting much more than ancestry information. Through financial scholarships, the AKDHA is not only contributing to our ancestor's wish for the preservation of Killian family history, but aiding in descendents higher education, an undertaking worthy of admiration and acknowledgement. As a history major at the University of North Carolina Wilmington, I am now more aware of my family background's influence and dedication to education, and wish to learn more about our forefathers and the organization that preserves our memory. I am honored to have descended from such a family, and I am grateful to be recognized and chosen to receive an AKDHA scholarship this year. Thank you for allowing me to be a part of this year's Killian reunion, and thank you all for bestowing me with an AKDHA scholarship.

With sincerest thanks,
Taylor Deese

2013 AKDHA Scholarship

AKDHA Scholarship Award Program Applicants. The Executive Committee of the Andreas Killian Descendants Historical Association will be awarding one (1) or two (2) \$500 scholarships this year. Applicant, parent, grandparent, or guardian must be an active member of the AKDHA and a descendant of Andreas Killian. Completed applications and all attachments must be postmarked no later than May 10th. Scholarship details, application and instruction can be found at www.AndreasKillian.com, click on the Projects tab, then click on the Scholarship tab.

REMINDER

Tax deductible cash Memorials, Wills, Gifts, and Estate Planning can always be made to benefit the AKDHA and/or its programs. As you plan your future gifting, consider a charitable contribution to support our great Association in honor of your ancestors. Donations are always noted in our fall reunion business meeting. For information in estate planning and how, contact: Dan Sipe, jdsipe@bellsouth.net or call 803-230-1175. Cash memorials can be made to AKDHA by mailing them to our Treasurer, Pete Whitener, 5585 Startown Road, Newton, NC 28658.

Database identification reference numbers [Hinds RIN #] are from William "Bill" L. Hinds. You can find these reference numbers at www.rootsweb.com in the Killion database. Go to www.rootsweb.com click on Family Trees, in box under "Jump to a database", Type "Killion" without the quotes. This takes you to Hinds' database eliminating all others.

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Return Service Requested

What are Descendants of Andreas Doing?

Do you have a special talent, gift, or skill? Are you proud of your abilities or achievements? Does your hobby take up all your time? Have you received an award or degree? How about your job: doctor, lawyer, Indian Chief, or maybe a nurse, fireman, or seaman? Andreas Killian would be proud to know his descendants have done well. The Killian Family Newsletter is the place to flaunt it.

This is your newsletter. Many times I stumble across something I think would be of interest to the newsletter readers. The trout pictured here was of interest to me. After the 2012 Reunion, Bill Killian of Texas sent this photo to Eric Killian of North Carolina and Eric sent it to me.

Even though I had met Bill at the Reunion, I didn't know anything about him. The trout sparked my interest in Bill and his hobby.

Read about Bill Killian on page 13. The trout pictured here took first place at a recent competition and will be entered in the World Championship in May of this year.

It is little things, just passed along, that makes your newsletter interesting. Tell your cousins about yourself, your family, your occupation or hobby, your retirement, etc. They will be glad you did!

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