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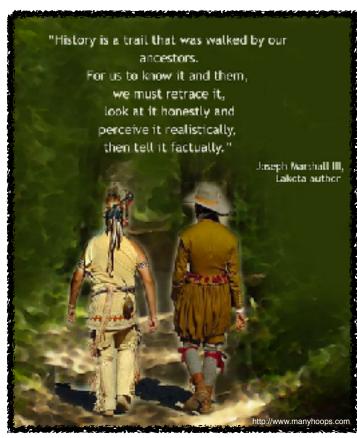
President: Joe B. Cox Jr. Vice-President: Gary Sutton Secretary: Lisa Sullivan Treasurer: Linda Atkins Newsletter: Debbie B. Cox

Directors:

Marty Burnett
John Cox
Janice Jenkins
Ada Stump
Dave Turner

Physical Year: May31st-Jun1st









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

Brandywine family,

I am happy to report, as those who were there already know, that we had another great reunion and annual meeting in Lampasas, TX, this past June. As usual, we had excellent speakers and excellent fellowship and food. Those of you who have not attended are missing a real treat.

We continue to work on transitioning the DNA project from Les Sutton to Steve Atkins and Debbie Brewer Cox. Debbie again attended the Family Tree DNA conference in Houston (her third time) and continues to acquire knowledge and make useful contacts. The web site remains one of our top priorities. Since our Spring 2019 newsletter, at which time we were exploring the possible need to change hosts, we have been able to modernize the web site on our same host, Roots Web. And we are working to revise the indexing to make the site more user friendly, one of our goals for some time.

We again appeal to our members to submit a short autobiography and short biographies of favorite family members for publication in the newsletter and posting to the website. This is an important part of our efforts to preserve our family history. And we continue to appeal to family members who have military backgrounds or have Cox/Cox related relatives who do to submit pictures to project manager Marty Burnett.

We emphasize once again our standing request for family members to submit news items to newsletter editor Debbie Brewer Cox. She needs family stories, accounts of weddings, graduations, awards, obituaries, etc. Such items help preserve our family history and serve to bind our family together.

For those of you with public school age children or grandchildren, please visit the web site for the guidelines for our family essay contest for both elementary/jr. high and high school students, another way both to preserve family history and to acquaint our children and grandchildren with it.

Right after the fist of next year, we will begin planning for the 2020 annual meeting and reunion. We hope - and intend - to have another program that will both inform and entertain. The dates are 5-7 June. We encourage you to bring family displays and pictures We hope to see you there

We have a great family!

Joe Cox

(H) 512-392-2097



BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MAY 31-JUNE 1, 2019

Board of Directors Meeting May 31, 2019 concluded June 1, 2019

Meeting called to order by President Joe Cox, 30 May 2019 at 3:30 pm

In attendance at either May 31, June 1, or both: Joe Cox, Dave Turner, Linda Atkins, Ada Stump, Gary Sutton, Janice Jenkins, Marty Burnet, Lisa Sullivan

Minutes from the Boards 2018 meeting: Gary Sutton moved to accept the minutes as read, Linda seconded the motion. The minutes were approved as read.

Treasurer's Report: As of 30 May 2019, there is a balance of \$5,448.76. This balance does not reflect all expenses from the reunion. Statements were submitted to Lisa Sullivan to maintain the document. Mary Burnet moved to approve the Treasurer's report and Gary Sutton seconded. The report

was approved as provided. OLD BUSINESS Subject to revision the our ACTIONS FROM 2018 MEETINGORMALLY Approved by the line and approved in Lampasas at our 1. Tax Filing with state: All filing is done in June 101 the previous year. 2018 was filed in June 2018.

- 2. DNA Project: Debbie Brewer Cox attended the 201-19 conference for training and contacts.
- 3. Newsletter: Debbie Brewer Cox is now editor and has greatly improved formatting and content. Lisa Sullivan is printing and mailing the (approximately) 23 hard copies as has been requested by members.
- 4. Website: The change in Rootsweb support policy led to retaining the Rootsweb as host. Committee will organize/index content.
- 5. Archives & Publications: Shipped three portraits to Southwest Collection at Texas Tech (James Christopher Cox family-James Madison Cox, Amanda Lucinda (Cindy) McCall Cox, Arlee Claud Gowen and May Belle "Bonnie" Bonner Gowen) with biographical info. Direct descendant Janice Jenkins retained portrait of James Christopher Cox. Portraits donated by family member Linda Cox Becker, who will be provided copies of the donation documents. Committee has documents Joe Cox has provided with known family collections that are prospect and will update list of libraries/historical societies and related contacts.
- 6. Emeritus Directors: Would like to put pictures, family lines, years of service on website (President will get names of past Board members from the Secretary).
- 7. Liability Insurance: the only insurance available is "slip and fall" which would be covered by the insurance of the facility we use. Consensus was to table this discussion.
- 8. Video Chat:



BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MAY 31-JUNE 1, 2019 - CONTINUED

Board of Directors Meeting — CONTINUED May 31, 2019 concluded June 1, 2019

TREASURER'S POSITION

Linda Atkins will maintain the role of Treasurer with assistance in quickbooks by Carolyn Williams.

Meeting was adjourned at approximately 4:30 pm Meeting reconvened on 1 June 2019 at 4:05 pm

ELECTION OF OFFICERS:

Marty Burnett moved and Janice Jenkins second to maintain the current officers; Joe Cox-BUDGET SUBMISSIONS:

Budget requests need to be sent to the Treasurer by 30 June 2019. An approved budget is anticipated to be complete by 30 July 2019.

ARCHEOLOGICAL BROUGET President; Gary Sutton-Vice President; Lisa Sullivan-Secretary; Linda Atkins-Treasurer. The motion

cological project as he is trying to set up a meeting with Judd

ARCHEOLOGICAL PROJECT:

Burton this summer. It is hoped that Mr. Burton, with the assistance of the State, will be able to conduct the project on the old Cox land. This land has been split and is now owned by Mr. Harton (where Long Fellow cemetery is) Daniel Hodges, and Marcus Loader.

MEETING PLACE:

We've begun looking at other potential sites to include the Youth stockshow facility. Parking and access are not the best there. Lisa Sullivan made a motion to stay at the current facility next year. Linda Atkins seconded and the motion passed.

DISCUSSION OF USE OF FAMILY LINE LIAISON:

President will work on a proposal for the Boards approval.

MEMBERSHIP:

- 1. Need everyone to provide the address and email of their adult children
- 2. Debbie Cox will rework the registration forms and submit via email to the Board for approval.

OTHER:

Ask the general membership if they would like to set up tour buses to visit other "Cox" family sites across the country.

ADJOURNMENT:

At 5:20 pm Dave Turner moved to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Gary Sutton and passed.



ANNUAL MEMBERS MEETING JUNE 1, 2019

BRANDYWINE CRUCIBLE INC.,/COX FAMILY REUNION

Annual Membership Meeting 1 June 2019

The 22nd Annual Members meeting of Brandywine Crucible Inc. took place in Lampasas, Texas. The meeting was called to order by President Joe Cox at 3:10pm

Copies of the minutes from the 2018 meeting were provided to the members. Debbie Cox moved that the minutes be approved as read. Janice Jenkins seconded the motion and it was passed.

Discussions of organizational activities that occurred in the morning session were reiterated; Debbie Cox had discussed the DNA project and the newsletter; Mark Werner had discussed the website and Marty Burnett had discussed the military project.

During the open discussion it was suggested that we have more presenters that deal with specific members of our Cox lineage. A specific suggestion was made for a presentation that dealt with their spiritual journey from Quakers to various Christian denominations. Additionally, it was suggested that we bring in presenters that would address document preservation and/or new innovative research techniques.

A request was made to replace the Golf Tournament, as there have been no participants for the last four years, with tours of some of the local Cox historical places such as Long Meadow Cemetery.

President Cox appealed to everyone to submit an autobiography for the website/newsletter. These should be sent to Debbie Cox.

President Cox informed the members of the essay contest for elementary and high school students. The essays are to encourage our children/grandchildren to learn more about their ancestors. The parameters of the essay can be found on the website.

If anyone is aware of other Cox reunions please let Debbie Cox know so that the information can be included in the newsletter and on the website.

Debbie Cox encouraged everyone to bring family displays and pictures to share next year.

Three Director terms were coming up and nominations were solicited. Carolyn Williams made a motion to accept the nominations of the current members; Joe Cox, John Cox and Gary Sutton. Debbie Cox seconded the motion and it passed.

The meeting adjourned at 3:55pm

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# DIRECTORS, OFFICERS, & COMMITTEE CHAIRS AS OF 15 OCTOBER 2019

#### **DIRECTORS**;

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John Yeldell Cox

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2113 Cimarron, Austin, TX 78745-1602 <u>Monkeygirl2120@aol.com</u> 512-751-0002

Marty Burnett Military Pictures Chair

P.O. Box 87, Cherokee, TX 26832 llbrbr@aol.com

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**Dave Turner** 

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#### **OTHER OFFICERS & COMMITTEE CHAIRS**

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Katelyn Paige Werner Le Asst. Web Master

**Debbie Brewer Cox** 

Newsletter Editor, Family History Data Base Mgr.

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W. Scott Cox Counselor

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Marvelene Cox Jones Essay Chair

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William Ellett Langston Research Chair

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# BRANDYWINE COX FAMILY LIAISONS AS OF 20 JUNE 2019

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

#### RESEARCH COMMITTEE CHAIR

William Ellett 'Bill' Langston 12197 21st St. NE Spicer, Minnesota 56288-9430 320-796-6288 ©320-266-4429 blangston@tds.net

#### **THOMAS ISAAC COX**

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281-852-7878
turtle2lady@yahoo.com

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 <a href="https://lessutton.tribalpages.com">https://lessutton.tribalpages.com</a>

#### **CHRISTOPHER COX**

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c.tovar@sbcglobal.net

STEPHEN COX NAOMI 'AMY' COX MARY COX ANN COX RUTH COX

Contact: Ladean Bowman 12206 Natchez Park Lane Humble, Texas 77346 281-852-7878



### Membership

The Brandywine Crucible, Inc., a Cox family association, finds, collects, presents, publishes, and preserves Cox and related family histories, using research, archeology, DNA, cemetery recognition, and preservation. Please support these efforts by joining or renewing your membership. Send a deductible contribution of \$15, \$25, or \$100 to Brandywine Crucible, c/o Linda Atkins, 6325 Broadway Avenue, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73139-7130

#### **Newsletter**

We are always looking for submissions of family history stories and biographies, along with announcements for births, weddings, and graduations. We would also like to include the obituaries of our beloved family members.

Send any submissions to Debbie Brewer Cox, 708 Creekridge Drive, Goodrich, Texas 77335 or by email to: brandywinecrucible@gmail.com

## ANOTHER COX/SUTTON COUSIN DISCOVERED

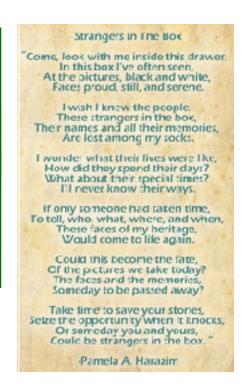
Welcome Sandra Crow!

Her lineage:

James Sutton (1) > James Sutton (2) > James Sutton (3) > James Sutton > Dempsy Sutton > Anderson Sutton > Mary Ann Sutton > Ada Maybelle > John Raymond Taylor > Sandra June Taylor

Solomon Cox & Naomi Hussey > Solomon Cox Jr. > Joseph Cox > Soliman Benjamin Cox > James Henry Cox > Ada Maybelle Cox > John Raymond Cox > Sandra June Taylor





#### **FAMILY REUNION CHALLENGE - JUNE 2020**

#### PLEASE SHARE YOUR FAMILY HISTORY

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!



Example of Board

# Mark Your Calendars!!!



#### **DESCENDANTS OF SOLOMON COX AND NAOMI HUSSEY**

WHEN: June 5th-7th, 2020 WHERE: Lampasas, Texas

LOCATION: Bar 17 Event Center, 402 South Live Oak, Lampasas, Texas

CONTACTS: Linda Atkins, 405-549-6588; doublell2010@yahoo.com

Joe Cox, 512-392-2097, jandhcox@grandecom.net

Gary Sutton, 325-286-4005, gary@upgradetechnologies.com

LODGING: Best Western Plus (Reunion Headquarters), 512-556-2100

#### OTHER COX REUNIONS — All Family Lines Welcome

DESCENDANTS OF NATHAN & DORCAS KING COX - COX ARKANSAS REUNION

WHEN: **May 4, 2019** (reconvened in 2018)

WHERE: Boonville, Arkansas

LOCATION: Ione 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

OTHER: Bring a covered dish & Cox history.

DESCENDANTS OF SAMUEL COX; RHODES-COX REUNION

WHEN: Usually late March/early April, 2019

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 — not good

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

WHEN: Sunday, June 8, 2020 @ 10:00 am - 3:00 pm

WHERE: Belton, Bell, Texas

LOCATION: Harris Community Center, 401 North Alexander Street, Belton, TX 76513

CONTACTS: Eileen Goldborer, 512-462-2537; egoldborer@austin.rr.com

7203 Elm Forest Road, Austin, Texas 78745

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: **July 18, 2020**WHERE: Whitley City, Kentucky

LOCATION: Senior Citizens Building, McCreary County Park (off Hwy 27)
CONTACTS: \*Freda Cox Neal, 423-215-5019; fredan86@gmail.com
33 Oran Kidd Road, Whitley City, Kentucky 52653

\*Cindy Schmidt, 10799 Lewistown Road, Cordova, Maryland 21625-2417

OTHER: Potluck dinner

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**DESCENDANTS OF CHRISTOPHER COX & 'NEALY' COX** 

WHEN: Not held in 2018

WHERE: Sweetwater, Texas (formerly held at Gustine, Texas)

CONTACTS: Missy Cox Jones, 325-356-3547; missy.jones@tx.nacdnet.net

Sadie Cox, 532-332-2768; 1316 Boatright, Odessa Texas 79762

DESCENDANTS OF SAMUEL HAMPTON & NICA JANE COX (JOSEPH & SAMUEL)

WHEN: Contact for status and information

WHERE: Nolanville, Texas

CONTACTS: Barbara McClung, 210-274-6889; bmcclung@gvtc.com

Wesley Cox, 254-285-9557; texaswesley@yahoo.com

DESCENDANTS OF EMERSON COX (DESCENDANT OF JOSEPH COX & SOLOMON COX, JR.)

WHEN: Not scheduled for 2020

WHERE: Mertzon, Texas

CONTACTS: Joe Harper, 432-631-6852; mjoe.harper@hotmail.com 1001 Woodland Park Avenue, Midland, Texas 79705

**DESCENDANTS OF JOSPEH COX** 

WHEN: Not scheduled for 2019
WHERE: Chillicothe, Missouri

CONTACTS: Meredith Hahn, 816-632-7128; memer.hahn@gmail.com

Mary Ann Nichols, 913-432-0996; man@mia.net Norma Thompson, 913-961-3288; billwst234@aol.com

DESCENDANTS OF WM. MADISON TUCKER COX & FANNIE LINDSEY COX REUNION

WHEN: **July 11-12, 2020**WHERE: Fredericksburg, Texas

LOCATION: Lady Bird Johnson Park, Hwy 16, S., from Fredericksburg (Tatsch House)

CONTACTS: Lisa Sullivan, 210-275-5167; coxfamilyintexas@yahoo.com

324 Meadowood Lane, Coppell, Texas 75019-2640

#### **Essay Contest**

#### **ENTRY DEADLINE:**

May 2020

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
Your Age
Parents Names
Mailing Address
Telephone Number
Email Address

#### **DIVISIONS**:

Junior (6th-8th) or 13 yrs & under) (min. 300 words)

Senior (9th-12th) or 14-18 yrs) (min. 500 words)

#### **ELIGIBLITY**:

Young family historians whose families are members of Brandywine Crucible, Inc.

#### ENTRY DEADLINE:

May 1st, 2019

**SEND TO:** 

Missy Cox Jones 205 North Worth

Comanche, Texas 76442-2640

325-356-3547



# **PROJECTS & COMMITTEES**

#### **GENETIC GENEALOGY**

The Cox/Coxe/Cock/Cocks Family Tree DNA Project is one of our major and most fruitful efforts as an organization. Les Sutton and Mary Lou Hudson originated this project in 2003 and managed it from inception. The participant/donor must be a non-adopted male carrying the Cox surname.

#### **PROJECT ADMINISTRATORS**

Debbie Brewer Cox brandywinecrucible@gmail.com Texas

Terry Barwin
Consultant
terrybarwin@gmail.com
Minnesota

Steve Atkins
doublell2010@yahoo.com
Texas

#### **COMMITTEES**

BUDGET: LINDA ATKINS
WEBMASTER: MARK WERNER
MEMBERSHIP: LISA SULLIVAN
NEWSLETTER: DEBBIE B. COX
HOSPITALITY: HELEN COX
COUNSELOR: SCOTT COX
PUB/ARCHIVES: GARY SUTTON
DNA PROJECT: STEVE ATKINS





## **MILITARY PROJECT**



CONTACT MARTY
BURNETT at
llbrbr@aol.com WITH
MILITARY PHOTOS FOR
THE MILITARY PHOTO
ALBUM.



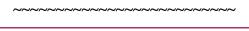
# RESEARCH QUESTIONS ??

# Please contact Connie Martin Birth if you have research and information on this family line:

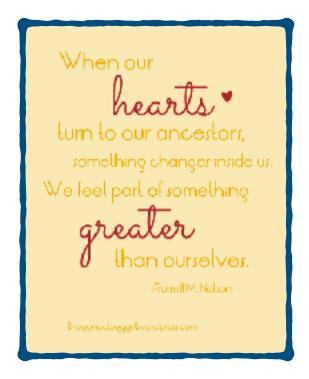
- 9) Solomon Cox m. Noami Hussey
- 8) Solomon Cox Jr. m. (1) Martha Dixon
- 7) Benjamin Cox m. (1) Casiah Barbee
- 6) John Crouch m. Lavina Cox
- 5) Enoch Jones Smith m. Keziah Casiah Crouch
- 4) James W. Seely m. Eliza Ann Smith
- 3) William Clarence Randolph Seely m. Allie Loraine Turner
- 2) Betty Carolyn Seely m. Olie Bon Martin
- 1) Connie L. Martin Birth

https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/tree/319695/family/familyview

Connie L. Martin Birth
5103 Poole Lane, Spencer, Oklahoma 73084
(H) 405-771-2290 / (C) 405-323-3896 –
leave message if no answer & will return call asap <a href="mailto:clbirth@sbcglobal.net">clbirth@sbcglobal.net</a>







#### 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 with your questions or comments





# RESEARCH LINKS

#### Another interesting research site:

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

https://www.newrivernotes.com

The secondary depository Brandywine Crucible, Inc. is using to store documents and photographs is Southwest Collection at Texas Tech.:

Southwest Collection/Special Collections Library

15th & Detroit, Box 41041, Lubbock, Texas 79409-1041

http://swco.ttu.edu/



#### GENEALOGICAL RESEARCH SITES:

fold3.org

ancestry.com

Find-a-Grave.com

www.dar.org

#### OTHER RESEARCH LINKS:

#### THE COX FAMILY IN AMERICA:

https://archive.org/stream/ coxfamilyinamer00coxgoog/ coxfamilyinamer00coxgoog\_djvu.txt

THE HUSSEY MANUSCRIPT http://freepages.rootsweb.com/ ~gowenrf/genealogy/ husseyms.htm

Struggling with how to organize your family history?? Check out this blog! Featuring some wonderful ideas to get you started:

https://doasimdoingblog.com/ 2016/12/27/family-history-

binder-part-1-intro/



#### FACEBOOK:

Quaker COX family researchers https://www.facebook.com/groups/ 622021304583628/

Brandywine Crucible Inc.

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

We solicit your family stories, whether proven or unproven. Stories put flesh on the bones of genealogy. If a story recurs in your family line, it should be preserved. The stories can revolve around a personality, an event, or any combination. Stories can be humorous, happy, sad, even tragic, but if you deem them important to your family, we want to preserve them. There sometimes will be overlap with our autobiography-biography project, which records the lives of individuals, but this is a separate project.

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



# BIRTHS, WEDDINGS, ANNIVERSARIES, RETIREMENTS, AWARDS. GRADUATIONS

Mr. and Mrs. Scott Cox and Mr. and Mrs. Sanabria

have the pleasure of announcing the marriage of their children

> Alyssa Marie Cox and Pablo Sanabria

on the fifteenth of December two thousand nineteen in Belton, Texas

Granddaughter of Joe B. and Helen Cox



#### CONGRATULATIONS!

Announcing the birth of **Annellece Rosa Brasington**, born on January 14, 2019 in Montgomery, Alabama, to Mr. & Mrs. Bryan and Veronica Cox Brasington. Granddaughter of Robert Dean 'Bobby' Cox and Rosa Saravia Cox; and great granddaughter of the late Thomas Nathan & Junko Aria Cox



Lineage:

Annellece Rosa Brasington > Veronica Elizabeth Cox > Robert Dean 'Bobby' Cox > Thomas Nathan Cox Jr. > Thomas Nathan Cox Sr. > Christopher Columbus 'Alonzo' Cox > Samuel Hampton 'Sam' Cox > Fleming Trigg Cox > Samuel Cox Jr. > Martha Cox > Solomon Cox Sr. & Naomi Hussey



Daughters and Granddaughter of Robert Dean Cox, Kaitlyn, Annellece, and Veronica





Photo by TenThousandYears

John W., born January 1900 in Missouri.

#### **SOLOMON COX (1877-1964)**

**Son of John H. Cox and Mary Bean** (1846-1884). His siblings included: Sarah, Margaret, Amy, Mary Alice, Enoch, and Jesse.

In 1880, he was living with his parents and older siblings on a farm they were renting in Precinct 6, Texas (Lampasas County). The household included: John Cox, age 34, born in Missouri, Mary, age 34, born in Tennessee; Margarette, age 11, born in Missouri: Amy, age 7, born in Oregon; Alice, age 4, born in Missouri; and Solomon, age 1, born in Texas.

On January 29, 1899, in Douglas, Missouri, he married Nora Florence Hampton. They would have ten children, including: John Washburn, Joseph Aaron, Jessie Marion, Annie Mae, Virgil, Malinda Elizabeth, Roy Fursell, Doica, Margaret, and Louie C.

In 1900, they were living in Washington, Douglas, Missouri and had their first child. The household included: Solomon, born July 1878 in Texas, married one year; Nora F., born February 1881 in Missouri, married one year, one child; and

By 1910, they had bought a farm in Campbell, Missouri (Douglas County). The household included: Solomon, age 30, born in Texas, married once for 11 years; Nora, age 29, married once for 11 years, five children; John W., age 10, born in Missouri; Joseph N., age 8, born in Texas; Bessie M., age 6, born in Missouri; Annie M., age 4, born in Missouri; and Virgil, age 2, born in Missouri.

By 1920, they had bought a farm in Canadian, Oklahoma (Cleveland County). The household included: Solomon, age 40; Nora, age 38; John, age 20; Joe, age 18; Jessee, age 16; Andy, age 14; Virgil, age 12; Lizzie, age 8, born in Oklahoma; Ray, age 6, born in Oklahoma; Doris, age 4, born in Oklahoma; and Lou Don, age 3, born in Oklahoma.

By 1930, the family had moved back to Texas, where they were renting a farm. The household included: Solomon, age 53, married at age 21, born in Texas; Nora F., age 49, married at age 17, born in Missouri; Malinda E, age 18, born in Oklahoma, Roy, age 17, born in Oklahoma; Doice, age 14, born in Oklahoma; and Luie C., age 10, born in Oklahoma.

Find-a-Grave: #55233723 & 55233738

#### Lineage:

Solomon Cox > John H. Cox > Jehu Cox > Solomon Cox > Thomas Isaac Cox > Solomon Cox & Naomi Hussey

#### Children:

John Washburn Cox (1900-1987) FaG#20161118 Joseph Aaron Cox (1901-1978) FaG#55234130 Jesse Marion Cox (1903-1993) Annie Mae Cox Alexander(1906-2002) FaG#35175662 Virgil Cox (1907-1998) FaG#155005935 Linda Elizabeth Cox Sanders (1911-2001) FaG#6422878 Roy Eursell Cox (1914-1999) Doice Cox (1916-2011) FaG#64778415 Margaret Cox Louie C. Cox (1919-2007) FaG#18384177





#### Jesse G. Cox and Rebecca Hickman Cox Family History in Montague County, Texas

Jessie G. Cox was born 23 Feb. 1833, Whitley Co., Ky., probably the oldest of nine children born to **Stephen and Rebecca (Mahan) Cox**, who had married there 7 Jan., 1830. About 1840, this family moved to Jackson Co., Alabama. There Jesse married, at Bellefonte, on 22 Oct., 1856, **Rebecca Addelade Hickman**, daughter of **Nathaniel and Sally (Lee) Hickman**. Rebecca was born 16 Feb. 1834, in Ala. Soon after marriage Jesse and Rebecca and his parents, sibling and friends moved to near Piedmont, Wayne Co., Mo. There Jesse served as a Sgt.in Co's F and G 68th Reg Mo. Militia in the Civil War. In later years, he received a pension for this service.

In 1872, Jesse and Rebecca and their six children moved to Montague Co., and settled near Mallard. He received a patent for 160 acres of land in the county 7 Dec. 1875. Here three more children were born. Their children were: **Mary C.**, married 1876 to **John Thompkins**; **Sarah Jane** married 1875 to **J.W.Royal**, 2<sup>nd</sup> Mar. **Robert Cates**; **John Robert** mar. 1884 to **Catherine Jane Booher** (more later); **Matilda A**. mar. **James Tice**; **Wiley** mar. **Maggie Bullard**; Tennessee **Caroline** mar. 1891 to **Thomas Frank Booher**, brother of Catherine and they moved to Altus, Ok; Clark L. mar. **Rosie Lee Ellis**. Four children did not reach maturity. Two of these, **William R**. and **Bradford** are buried at the Perryman Cemetery, Forestburg.

Jesse died 30 July, 1913, and Rebecca 7 Dec., 1904. Both are buried in the Mallard Cemetery. Jesse had been a country doctor in the community. He made his own medicine from herbs he gathered and he delivered many babies in the area, including all of the children of his son, John. Some of his grandchildren tell of riding with him in his buggy as he made his calls, and opening the gates where need be, and washing bottles he used for the medicines. Jesse was crippled in one leg and used crutches in later years.

**John Robert Cox**, son of **Jesse G. Cox** was born 22 Dec. 1861, Wayne Co., Mo., married at Forestburg, 12 Oct 1884, **Catherine Jane Booher**, daughter of **Dory and Mary Elizabeth (Webb) Booher**. Catherine was born 18 Mar., 1867, at Forestburg, and died 27 Feb., 1937, Roosevelt Co., New Mexico. John died there 30 Nov., 1933, and both are buried at Elida, New Mexico.

This family lived at Mallard, where he operated a small grocery store, before moving to Kermit, New Mexico in 1908, where he also operated a store. The Baptist church at Mallard was built on land that had belonged to **John R. Cox**. The stipulation was that if the church was to no longer operate the land was to revert to the Cox family. The plot of land now is owned by his grandson, **James Cox** of Mt.View, Wyo.

All of the children of **John and Catherine Cox** were born at Mallard. **Jesse D.** mar. 1919 to **Sally Lee**, 2<sup>nd</sup> mar. **Lela Abbott**; **Noah** mar. **Laura Bryce** and they were life long residents of Montague Co. She died in 1955, and he mar. **Mamie Spivey**, in 1960, and lived in Nocona. He died in 1968. **Noah** and **Laura** engaged in farming on the old Jim Bryce homestead southeast of Montague. For several years, beginning in 1969, a Cox family reunion was held on this farm and is still being held each year in a hall at Bowie. Children of Noah and Laura are: **Stanley** (dec.) of Montague; **Jack** of Bowie; **Elmer** of Lubbock; **Altie** (dec) of Wichita Falls; **Virgil** of Jacksboro; and daughter, **Golma Widener**, of Denver, Colo.

Other children of John and Catherine Cox were: **Pearl** mar. **Walter Van Cleave** and she is 95 years of age and lives in Portales, New Mexico; **Sam** mar. **Beulah Widener**; **Ida** mar. **J."Rob" Poindexter**; **Ada** mar. **Wm. R. McNutt**; **Charles** mar. **Loretta Reinecke**, resides Rosemead, Ca., age 84; **Marvin** mar. **Geraldine** (**LaCoure**) **Beach**, resides Yuma, Az. Age 80.

NOTE: In 1987, Jean McNutt, a Cox-Booher-Webb family genealogist, wrote this article to be included in a book on the history of Montague County, Texas. Jean was married to Bill McNutt, the son of Ada Cox McNutt and Wm. R. McNutt, grandson of John Robert Cox and Catherine Jane Booher, great grandson of Jesse G/James Cox and Rebecca Hickman, 2G grandson of Stephen A. Cox and Rebecca Mahan, 3G grandson of Stephen Cox and Mary Margaret Robertson, 4G grandson of Solomon Cox and Naomi Hussey.

Jean was an avid genealogist who researched before the days of computers by visiting courthouses, libraries, and archives as well as interviewing relatives. Our branch of the Cox family is indebted to her thorough research and her generosity in sharing the results with all interested family members.

Submitted by Jane Cox Willis (first cousin of Jean's husband, Bill McNutt) Nov 2019



#### HISTORY OF WILLIAMSBURG CHAPTER I EARLY WILLIAMSBURG TO 1880

The proper introduction to the history of Williamsburg begins with the Dr. Thomas Walker expedition from Virginia into Kentucky through Cumberland Gap about the year 1750. (1) Dr. Walker was the first explorer of Kentucky and the first white man to build a house in Kentucky. His journal tells of his travels to Blakes Fork, Watts Creek, and Meadow Creek of present Whitley County.

We do not have any records as to what really did happen between 1750 and the early 1800's. It is thought that scouts and settlers followed Dr. Walker's trail to Watts Creek and on down the creek and up the river a short distance to Spring Ford, presently Williamsburg. Dr. Thomas Walker named this river the Cumberland after the Duke of Cumberland.

It has been reported that Spring Ford was named by the Indians because of the low shallow place in the river and two fresh water springs nearby. These springs coupled with a good ford is thought to have led to a settlement at what is presently known as Williamsburg.

Kentucky became a state in 1792 and soon thereafter there followed the creation of three counties: Jefferson, composing the western part of Kentucky, Fayette, the northern part, and Lincoln County, the southern part. Today, we find at Stanford in Lincoln County records of the people living in this area in that day.

Surveys were rapidly being made in the wild lands of Kentucky and more counties were added. About 1820, Colonel William Whitley sent Joseph Gillis to the southern part of the state to make surveys.

Whitley County became the 59th county and was formed from Knox, Pulaski, and believed Laurel. The date the charter was granted is unknown. The first fiscal court was held Monday, April 20, 1818, at the home of **Samuel Cox**, of whom the late **Dr**, **W. M. Cox**, **Corbin**, **Joe Cox** and **Elihu Cox** of Meadow creek, are descendants. His home was a large rambling house, located at the southwest corner of Second a Main Streets.

Evidently there was a large ballroom in the Cox home. There is some indication that it was a place used by travelers for overnight stops. As time progressed, it became a tavern operated in connection with a ferry.

The first court consisted of seven members: Edward Rielly, John Berry, Uriah Parks, Francis Faulkner, Sammie Clark, **Samuel Cox** and Isaac King. Each member of this court held his office

(1) Our appreciation to Dr, C. A. Moss for helpful information and to Mr. Foley Ruggles, for permission to use parts of "The Williamsburg Story" published in the Corbin Times Tribune, June, 1952, on the authority of commissions issued by Lieutenant Governor Gabriel Slaughter, acting as governor of the state. He had taken over as the state's chief executive at the death of Governor George Madison on October 21, 1816.

There was strong bidding from various localities of the county to become the county seat. Among these were Joefields, now Woodbine, Pleasant View, and the site on the banks of the Cumberland which then bore no name. **Samuel Cox** evidently influenced the commission in its selection of the county seat. He donated the land



#### HISTORY OF WILLIAMSBURG — continued

and volunteered to give half of the proceeds from the sale of lots in establishing the town should a portion of his land be that selected by the commission.

The Commission selected Williamsburg as a name for the town and Whitley as a name for the county in commemoration of the great Indian Fighter, William Whitley, whose service to the county had been so essential.

**Samuel Cox** gave the land and made the deed to the City Trustees of the City of Williamsburg for court house purposes.

The ford across the river and the three fresh water springs nearby together with the influence of **Samuel Cox** had much to do with the selection of Williamsburg as the county seat for Whitley County, This ford seemed to have been the crossroads for early pioneers moving east to west and north to south. I have crossed the river at this ford in a horse-drawn wagon. One of the springs ~ was situated on Second Street south of Cumberland Avenue near the site of the present municipal housing project. I have seen these springs many times. In those days, Cumberland River furnished plenty of wash water and the springs furnished an abundance of good drinking water for the entire Williamsburg settlement.

The first meeting of the Whitley County Court held Monday, April 20, 1818, at the home of **Samuel Cox** might be called the birth place and the birth date for the town of Williamsburg. However, it was not until June 15, 1818, that the report of the commission selecting Williamsburg as the site for the county seat was actually made a part of the record.

The September election of 1818 led to further developments. The court apparently was waiting for this election before going further with plans for the erection of a court house and jail. A three-man commission for the court specified a court house to be forty feet by twenty-eight feet. It was to have a foundation of four feet, two feet under the ground and two above. The height was set at twenty feet. The interior was to be divided in four equal parts two upstairs and two downstairs. The second floor rooms were to be used for the purpose of holding court and the first floor for office purposes. The building was to cost \$2,811.00. Another \$400.00 was allotted for construction of a jail. It was to be patterned after the one at Barbourville and be the same size.

Whether the courthouse or jail was ever built at this time cannot be determined. Later, we do know that a courthouse without floor and a log jail without floors were built. The courthouse was located on the present site and the jail was just back of the Mahan Building which the Bank of Williamsburg later acquired.

Chapter CCCLXXV, page 680, Kentucky Laws Section 8, approved February 8, 1819, states "that the town of Williamsburg in Whitley County, be, and the same is hereby established."

Section 9 states that the Court of Whitley County is empowered to select two of their members to meet at the Court House and hold an election for five trustees to carryon the business of the town, collect and levy taxes. These trustees were to be elected annually by the free male inhabitants of said town above the age of twenty-one years.



#### HISTORY OF WILLIAMSBURG — continued

Chapter 354, page 258, Section # 1, Laws of Kentucky approved March 3, 1851, states, "Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, that the town of Williamsburg be and it is hereby incorporated; and that said town be governed in the election of trustees and other officers."

#### Section # 2

That the persons entitled to vote for trustees of said town of Williamsburg shall once in every four years at the time and place of voting for said trustees elect a police judge.

#### Section #3

"That Jeptha W. Brawner, James C. Williams, H. H. Moss, and Pleasant Meadow, are hereby appointed commissioners, who, or any three of whom, may procession said town, and layoff and establish, from the b? evidence they can procure, the boundaries of said town, according to the original plan laying off said town."

Approved March 3, 1851.

There is strong evidence that this close tie between the early Whitley County government and the pioneer administration of the town of Williamsburg was a drawback and not good for the town. The late Verna Denham, in her History of Williamsburg says that the streets were laid out by Colonel Gillis whom she had entertained in her home on different occasions. But, the streets were unpaved and muddy when wet. There was no local newspaper, no sidewalks, no lights or communication service, and no organized churches. It was fertile ground for missionary enterprises. Living conditions were hard. The ballroom of the **Samuel Cox** home was used as a schoolroom up until about 1869.

The late A. T. Siler often commented on the earlier days of Williamsburg. He recalled riding to Williamsburg on horseback behind his mother from their rural home. "It wasn't much of a town. There was a jail and the courthouse had a dirt floor. The town has grown up mostly in my lifetime," he said.

Williamsburg had its real beginning about 1880. It was about this year that coal fields were being opened and mined. According to information from the L & N Office in Louisville, the construction of the L & N Railroad from Livingston, Kentucky through Williamsburg was begun in 1882, and opened to London, 18 miles from Livingston, on July 1, 1882. The track reached the north bank of the Cumberland River at Williamsburg in December that same year and was completed to the state line on April 2, 1883. (2) The present L & N bridge across Cumberland River at Williamsburg was built in 1903. The depot was built just opposite to what is now W. D. Bryant's store on South Fifth Street. Then it was known as Depot Street in Depot Voting precinct.

Before 1880 there apparently were no organized churches or school in Williamsburg. The Minutes of a Methodist Mission of the Kentucky Conference held at Williamsburg on December 11, 1867, states that Williamsburg, Liberty, Cumberland Falls and Pruitt's Chapel were stations on a Methodist Circuit.

The first step leading to the establishment of a church and school at Williamsburg might have been prompted through the establishment of school in the 1870's at Pleasant View, Kentucky, by a Professor William A. Nesbitt, came from Pennsylvania and constructed a two-story frame building. He conducted a school called Cora College named for his wife. Unless this was a missionary enterprise, we do not know where he obtained



#### HISTORY OF WILLIAMSBURG — continued

his money to build and to open the school. But we do know that he had a profound influence on education in this area.

Williamsburg's first church organization was established sixty years after the founding of the county and town. On January 12, 1878, sixteen men signed a constitution for a new church known as the "First Gospel Association of Williamsburg." This venture was a missionary enterprise of the Congregational Church of the north for a church and a school (Williamsburg Academy, established September 7, 1881, later to become Highland College) at Williamsburg. (3) Highland College was later pu?? by Cumberland College and the building was known as "Dixie Hall" until it was torn down in 1955 for the erection of the Dr. A. Gatliff Building.

Of all the happenings in and about Williamsburg in the early 1880s probably one of the most significant occurred on March 16, 1884. This was the dedication of the Congregational Church at Williamsburg. It was located on the North Side of Main Street at Fifth Street. The church building was destroyed by fire in 1907. The church relocated at a site on Maple Street near the railroad bridge, but disbaned several years ago.

This church, of course, had its roots in the north. Their teachings were rather liberal for the people of this area. It was not long until real opposition was developing especially among Baptists. The minutes of the early years of the Mt. Zion Association on Baptists, organized October 30, 1885, refer to their teaching as being foreign and urged Baptists to go to Baptist schools. Strong movement was made to organize a Baptist school. It was apparent that real trouble lay ahead for Congregational church and school.

We have selected the year 1880 as the end of this period because it was at this time the Louisville and Nashville Railroad came to Williamsburg with the development of the coal industry which brought many changes.

- (2) Information from L & N Office, Louisville, Kentucky.
- (3) Volume III # 5 January 1892 The Mountain Missionary

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MORE ABOUT SAMUEL COX —

Samuel Cox Sr. married Martha Cox, daughter of Solomon Cox and Naomi Hussey. Together they had ten children, Anna, Sarah, Zachariah, Mary, Anna Nancy, Samuel Jr., Nathan, Ruth, Zechariah, Levi, and John.

You can read more about this family in the Brandywide Cox Family Database at: http://lessutton.tribalpages.com





SAMUEL COX, 1756-1832

Historical marker #2541 celebrates the life and contributions of Samuel Cox, 1756-1832.

Cox was an early resident in what became Whitley County and became a leading promoter of the settlement of Williamsburg. Much of the current town is located on land originally granted to Cox by the state of Kentucky for his service during the Revolutionary War. He chose the site because of the plentiful clean water that was available via the Cumberland River, thinking it would make a good spot for a town. Cox donated land for a courthouse and sold lots to other early settlers who saw their future in the fledgling town. Initially, his residence even served as the local school and home to the fiscal and circuit courts.

The settlement went through a number of names over the years, from Spring Ford, Cox's Crossing, and Whitley Courthouse, before settling on Williamsburg and while the town no longer bears Cox's name, it continues to reflect his influence. In many ways, the connection between Samuel Cox and Williamsburg exemplifies common patterns that unfolded across the Commonwealth during the settlement era. Virtually every city, town and hamlet across the state can trace its existence back to a "father" like Cox who shepherded the community into existence.

The marker was dedicated on April 7, 2018 in order to coincide with Williamsburg's Bicentennial Celebration. The event was well-attended and even drew some of Cox's descendants all the way from Texas. The oldest relative in attendance was a 94-year-old great-granddaughter of Samuel and Martha Cox. The dedication also featured remarks from Dr. Amanda Higgins from the Kentucky Historical Society, State Representative Ms. Regina Huff, Whitley County Judge Executive Mr. Pat White and Mayor of Williamsburg Mr. Roddy Harrison.

The marker reads:

SAMUEL COX, 1756-1832
Samuel Cox is celebrated as the "Father of Williamsburg." The city's first resident & founder, Cox was instrumental in Williamsburg becoming the Whitley County seat of government. He donated land for a courthouse and offered lots for sale for the formation of the city. His home was used as the first school, circuit court, and courthouse.

Source:

Andrew Patrick, "Samuel Cox, 1756-1832," *ExploreKYHistory*, accessed November 13, 2019, https://explorekyhistory.ky.gov/items/show/829.

Samuel Cox Sr. married Martha Cox, daughter of Solomon Cox & Naomi Hussey.

Together they had 11 children.



SAMUEL COX, 1756-1832
Cox, given 100 acres by the state
of KY for his service in the
Revolutionary War, settled here
for the abundance of clean water.
Cox resided here with his wife
Martha and their eight children.
The city was known by the names
of Spring Ford, Cox's Crossing,
Whitley Courthouse, Williamsburgh
and, eventually, Williamsburg.
Sponsored by the City of Williamsburg



COX FAMILY LORE

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Lost Children of the Alleghenies

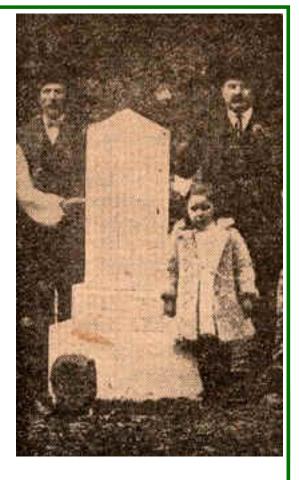
The Lost Children of the Alleghenies is a folk story from the Appalachia region of the United States. Joseph and George Cox are known through the Allegheny Mountains as The Lost Children of the Alleghenies. George and Joseph Cox, then aged seven and five respectively, disappeared from their home in Pavia on April 24, 1856. Their dead bodies were found several days later in the surrounding woods and they were buried in the Mount Union United Methodist Church cemetery in nearby Lovely.

There is a small memorial to them in the Spruce Hollow forest in Blue Knob State Park, Pennsylvania.

Legend Behind the Mystery

George, 7, and Joseph, 5, were the sons of Samuel and Susannah Cox. The Cox family lived in a cabin built by Samuel for his wife and kids. At this time old-growth logging had not yet begun in this area of Pennsylvania and the area was still heavily forested.

During the morning of April 24, 1856, Samuel Cox heard his dog barking in the forest and thought that it must have treed a squirrel. Samuel retrieved his rifle and headed into the woods. It is thought that while Samuel was gone, the boys must have strayed from home to follow their father. Susannah thought that Samuel had taken the boys with him. It was only when Samuel returned without them that they realized their children were gone.



They called for the boys but received no replies. Samuel went for help from his nearest neighbors and by that evening more than one hundred men were searching for the children. Fires were lit in the forest in the hope that the boys would see one and approach. Nearly a thousand people showed up to search the next day. A nearby stream, Bob's Creek, was surging with spring snow melt and it was thought that there was no way the boys could have crossed to the other side without drowning. A search of the creek was performed but the boys were not found.

On April 26, suspicion fell on Samuel and Susannah Cox. It was thought that they might have murdered their children in the hope of gathering donations from a sympathetic population. The Cox cabin and garden were searched but no bodies were located. The searchers went so far as to bring in a dowser and a witch from Somerset County. The dowser found nothing and the witch, despite claiming to know the children's location, led a search team through the woods for hours without turning up anything.

The legend tells that the night after the disappearance a local farmer, Jacob Dibert, heard about the missing children and remarked to his wife that he wished to be able to dream of the boys' location. On May 2, 1856, he had a dream in which he walked a path through the woods past a dead deer, a child's shoe and a fallen birch tree and eventually to a copse of birch trees in a small ravine. Here he found the bodies of the Cox boys. The dream reoccurred on the two following nights. Dibert told noone but his wife about the dream; however, he felt that the dream was prophetic and on May 7 he told his brother-in-law Harrison Whysong. Whysong recognised elements from Dibert's dream and the two men decided to make a search, culminating in the discovery of the bodies just as the dream had described - under birch trees in a small ravine reached along a track with a dead deer, a child's shoe and a fallen birch.

Source: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Lost Children of the Alleghenies



AUTOBIOGRAPHIES & BIOGRAPHIES

The Board of Directors encourages all descendants of Solomon and Naomi Hussey Cox and related families to develop short biographies for Brandywine.

This is a way of documenting who we are and preserving the story of our lives for future generations. A one-page bio will suffice, telling the family what we should know about you, although longer ones will be fine. We will post on our web site and perhaps at some time publish in book form all of our biographies, so please indicate with your submission your willingness to have your biography posted and published. You can also do a biography for your parents, grandparents, favorite uncles and aunts, etc. We do hope that all of you will agree to share on behalf of our family posterity.

Please forward biographies to Debbie Brewer Cox, email: brandywinecrucible@gmail.com or 708 Creekridge Dr., Goodrich, TX 77335.

She will record information in our data base as appropriate and then forward to our webmaster.

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Submissions are needed!!

Autobiographies &

Biographies

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Yourself

and / or

Family members!

We need your submissions!





FAMILY RECIPES

YOUR FAMILY RECIPE

Aunt Ida's Pecan-Coconut Rolls

2 sticks Oleo 1½ cups sugar

1 lb dates clipped
Boil 2 minutes and cool
2 eggs (beaten)
2 tbs condensed milk

¼ tsp salt

Add to cooled mixture and cook 4 minutes.

Remove from heat and add 4 cups rice crispies

1 cup nuts 1 tsp vanilla

Make into small balls and roll in coconut.

Submitted by: Jane Cox Willis

The following recipe is from my Aunt Ida Cox Poindexter. (Ida to John Robert Cox to Jesse James Cox to Stephen A. Cox to Stephan Cox to Solomon and Naomi.)

Ida was the matriarch of John Robert's family. She hosted many family gatherings and most holidays. Early in her career, she was a country school teacher. She later became the county clerk of Roosevelt County, New Mexico. Her husband, Rob, was the sheriff.

Submit your family recipes to: brandywinecrucible@gmail.com

Be sure to include your name and lineage.



Pumpkin Pie

1 - 15 oz can pumpkin

1 - 14 oz can sweet condensed milk

2 large eggs

1 tsp ground cinnamon

1/2 tsp ground ginger

1/2 tsp ground nutmeg

1/2 tsp salt

1 - 9 inch unbaked pie crust

Preheat oven to 425 degrees. Whisk all ingredients until smooth. Pour into crust.

Bake 15 minutes then reduce to 350 degrees; bake 35-40 minutes or until knife inserted 1 inch from crust comes out clean!
Use your favorite topping!





BRANDYWINE IN REMEMBRANCE



PRICE, Willie Mae Willie Mae Price, of McAllen, Texas passed away there on August 7, 2018 after recently celebrating her one hundredth birthday. Bill as she was known by family and friends was previously a long time Burnet County and Bertram resident. She was preceded in death by her

husband, Raymond Dale Price. She is survived by son Dale Price and wife June of McAllen and grandsons Blaine of Georgetown, and Damon, of McAllen. She was a home maker in the Joppa community and an active member of the Joppa Baptist Church for many years. At the time of her death she was a member of Calvary Baptist Church in McAllen, Texas. Bill served as head librarian of the Burnet County Library System immediately preceding and during the construction of The Herman Brown Library. She was active member of the Burnet County Historical Society, and Daughters of The American Revolution. A lifelong interest in genealogy led to her discovering not only the history of her own family but that of many Burnet County and other central Texas families. This interest also resulted in her writing and publishing the book, "Will Whitley Outlaw", about her grandfather who robbed banks and trains in 1880's Texas. Willie Mae continued to enjoy playing the piano and singing gospel songs well into her later years. A memorial service to celebrate her life is scheduled for Saturday August 25, 2018 at 9:00am at Joppa Church, 8425 Co Rd 210, Bertram, Texas, 78605. Burial will follow at Mahomet Cemetery.

Lineage:

Willie Mae Smith > Minnie Margaret Whitley > Cordelia Lucinda Cox > James Christopher Cox > Solomon Cox > Thomas Isaac Cox > Solomon Cox & Naomi Hussey

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FRED LEE COX, JR.

Fred L. Cox Jr. passed away August 17, 2019 in Tulare, CA.

Fred was preceded in death by his wife, Elsie; son, Wayne Cox.

He is survived by his daughter, Donna Adams; his sister, Evielee Cox; and

Grandchildren, Tricia Nunez del Prado, Kevin McCormick, Jenny McCormick and John Bohan III; Great Grandchildren, Erick and Allee Nunez del Prado, Trevor, Taylor and Payton McCormick and John IV and Mazzy Bohan; Great Grandson Hunter Nunez del Prado.

He will be very missed by family and friends.

Lineage:

Fred Lee Cox Jr. > Fred Lee Cox Sr. > George Washington Cox > Joel Walker Cox > Daniel Cox > Absalom Cox Sr. > Solomon Cox & Naomi Hussey



MILDRED GENEVA COX WYATT (1922-2019)

Mildred Geneva Wyatt went to heaven on August 31, 2019. She was born on July 12, 1922, in Jellico, Kentucky. In 1942 she married her husband of 66 years, Isaac Martin Wyatt. During their lives, they lived in several different places, including Williamsburg, Kentucky, Phoenix, Arizona, and DeSoto, Texas. Geneva worked for the Phoenix Gazette and the Dallas Times Herald. After Ike and Geneva retired, they enjoyed traveling with their RV Group, The Royal Rovers.

Geneva was a devoted wife, mother, aunt, and friend who never met a stranger. She loved to entertain family and friends and enjoyed preparing elaborate holiday meals for them.

She was predeceased by her parents, Jeff [Jasper Creekmore Cox] and Mary Cox, her husband, Isaac Martin Wyatt, her sister Beulah Marie Cox Hunter, and her brothers, Lester Cox, Jefferson Cox, Henley Cox, Fred Donald Cox, William J. 'Bill' Cox, and Everett Cox. She is survived by her son Gary Wyatt and his wife Ann, and many nieces and nephews.

She was a kind and gentle Christian lady who will be missed by many.

Funeral services to celebrate Geneva's life will be held on Friday, September 6, 2019 at 10:00 AM at Jaynes Memorial Chapel located at 811 S. Cockrell Hill Road in Duncanville. Interment will follow at Laurel Land Memorial Park in Dallas. Visitation with the family will be observed on Thursday night from 6-8 PM at the funeral home.

Lineage:

Mildred Geneva Cox > Jasper Creekmore 'Jeff' Cox > Anderson Barton Cox > Absalom Cox, Jr. > Absalom Cox, Sr. > Solomon Cox & Naomi Hussey



Janis Alexander Hicks (1937-2018)

Janis was born June 14, 1937, in Dallas, TX to Raymond and Lois Alexander. She graduated in the class of '56 from Ursuline Academy. She most recently worked as the Business Manager at Holy Family Catholic Church in Van Alstyne, TX. She was a loving, faithful servant of God, devoted wife, mother, and grandmother. She was happiest when surrounded by her family. She never passed up an opportunity to help others. She was an avid sports fan with an affinity for the Texas Rangers and Dallas Mavericks. Janis is survived by her

loving husband of 56 years, Leighton Hicks, of Van Alstyne; her cherished children, Renee and husband Russell, Michael and wife Carolyn, Margaret and

Dalanna, Jeffrey and wife Kirsten, Mary Jayne and husband Tom, Jeanne Anne and husband Stephen, Eric and wife Stacy. She was the adored grandmother to Heather, Brittany, Patrick, Haleigh, Chance, Taylor, Courtney, Presley, Ally and Jonah. She was preceded in death by her parents and brother. Janis lived her life in a way that wholly reflected God's boundless love and grace. She will be deeply missed by her community, her friends and her family but her spirit lives on in all of those whose lives were enriched by her presence. Rosary will be held at 6:30 pm followed by visitation on Friday, June 29, 2018 at Scoggins Funeral Home and Crematory in Van Alstyne, TX. A funeral Mass will be celebrated at 2:00 pm, Saturday, June 30, 2018, at Holy Family Catholic Church, Van Alstyne, TX. Internment at St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery, Sherman TX.

THERESA ANN CRAGIN GAFFORD (06 May 1949 - 05 Oct 2019)

Theresa, 70, was born May 6th, 1949 in Bakerfield, Kern, California and died October 5th, 2019 in Elgin, Kane, Illinois. She was the daughter of Edward Francis Cragin and Jinimez Lois 'Jimmie' Cox. She has three children.

Lineage:

Theresa Ann Cragin > Jeminez Lois Cox > Jesse Marion Cox > Solomon Cox > John H. Cox > Jehu Cox > Solomon Cox > Thomas Isaac Cox > Solomon Cox & Naomi Hussey

DOROTHY LOUISE COX WHITLEY (1944-2019)

Dorothy Louise Whitley, 75 of Lampasas, Texas died early Saturday morning September 28, 2019 at her home.

She was born May 9, 1944 in Burnet, Texas to parents Malford Elmer Cox and Lola Armentia Henderson Cox. She had worked many years as a manager for Sally's Beauty Supply. Mrs. Whitley was a member of the Church of Christ and had previously lived in Midland for several years.

She is survived by three daughters; Vicki Miller (Ron), Carla Jensen (Shan), Sandra Moore (Jason); five grandchildren; Eric, Sam, Christina, Shalina, Miranda; Sixteen great-grandchildren and one great great-grandchild; brother, David A. Cox and sister, Alice Armentia Cox Keighler.

Dorothy was preceded in death by her parents, by brothers, Howard Alvin Cox, Malford Edmeston Cox, Roy Lee Cox, and sisters, Daphne Jo Cox Owens and Mary Ann Cox Frank.

Graveside funeral will be Wednesday, October 2, 2019 at 1:00 p.m. at Bethel Cemetery.

Lineage:

Dorothy Louise Cox > Malford Elmer Cox > Green F. Cox > Edmiston Cox > Coleman Cox > John P. Cox > Unknown

JEMINEZ LOIS 'JIMMIE' COX (03 Jul 1929 - 10 Sep 2019)

Jimmie, 90, was born July 3rd, 1929 in Riverside, California to Jesse Marion Cox & Opal Viola Doshier. She passed away on September 10, 2019.

Lineage:

Jeminez Lois Cox > Jesse Marion Cox > Solomon Cox > John H. Cox > Jehu Cox > Solomon Cox > Thomas Isaac Cox > Solomon Cox & Naomi Hussey

RONALD "RONNIE" EDWARD COX (1945-2019)

Ronnie was born on October 6, 1945 in Corpus Christi, Texas and passed Away on August 7, 2019 in Spring, Texas at the age of 73.

Ronnie worked for Southwestern Bell Telephone Company for thirty-five years in the capacity of Manager, Trainer, and Mentor to many co-workers. He enjoyed going to the shooting range with his son and the thrill of driving his little green car, the Mustang Bullitt. But, his biggest past time was to discuss with his comrades how to solve world affairs with a fine cigar. Moreover, Ronnie was selfless and tender hearted. Ronnie was the best, big brother any sibling could ever have. He was dependable, hard working, and a man of integrity, among many other qualities. He was our angel here on earth and will be forever in our hearts. He will be remembered for his quick wit, good looks, and his big smile. Most importantly, he had a strong love for his family, friends, and his country. He will be deeply missed.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Minor and Janice Cox, brother-in-law Ron Moore, and Sister-in-law Diane Cox

He is survived by his wife, Alma Villarreal-Cox, son, Neal Cox and his wife Dana, daughter, Brandey Branam and her husband Brett, his sister Kathleen Moore, his brother Wesley Cox, and grandchildren, Kylie and Tyler, among several nieces, nephews and cousins.

Lineage:

Ronald Edward Cox > Minor Bartley Cox > John Wesley Cox Jr. > John Wesley 'Little John' Cox > Soliman Benjamin Cox > Joseph Cox > Solomon Cox > Solomon Cox & Naomi Hussey



GEORGE ALBERT 'SOX' COX (29 Oct 1932 - 22 May 2017)

Funeral services for George Cox will be from 11:00 AM to 12:00 Noon on Saturday, May 27th, in the chapel at Crawford-Bowers Funeral Home in Killeen, officiated by Rev Robert Miller. Visitation is from 9:30 to 11:00 AM. Burial will follow at Greenleaf Cemetery in Brownwood at 3:00 PM, conducted by Rev James Glasscock.

George passed away Monday, May 22, 2017 at the age of 84 after battling cancer. He was born Saturday, October 29, 1932, in the Oatmeal Community, near Bertram, Texas to Jessie Marion and Beulah Tucker Cox. He was better known as "Sox" in his hometown

On March 8, 1958, George married Barbara Ann Elam in Austin, Texas. To that union, three children were born - Debbie, Roy and Marie. He was preceded in death by his parents and his wife, Barbara, in 1980.

George served his country during the Korean Conflict when he was drafted into the Army in 1953. He was honorably discharged after two years of service. In the 1960's, George was a volunteer fireman with the Killeen Fire Department for six years. He was a bus operator for Arrow Trailways, formerly known as Arrow Coachlines, for 28 years. He drove chartered buses all across the United States and in Canada. George also worked for a contractor in Transportation at Fort Hood as a Bus Driver Trainer.

George was a member of Memorial Baptist Church, Crossroads to Texas Quilt Guild, American Legion Post 223 and life member of VFW Post 3892. He was a former life member of VFW Post 9192 in Killeen, but had recently transferred his membership to Post 3892 in Harker Heights.

The highlight of his days was the fellowship with his coffee buddies each morning at Henderson's Restaurant. George's smile, humor and love of life will be greatly missed by all who loved and knew him. He loved his family dearly. Every phone call and visit with them always ended with an "I love you" and a hug.

George was well known in the area for his many years of longarm machine quilting as "Quilts by George." He thoroughly enjoyed his association with other quilters. Due to declining health, George retired from his favorite hobby in 2012.

Survivors cherishing his memory are Colleen Fredrick, his best friend and loving companion; his children - Debbie Cox Worthen (Darren); Roy Cox (Angie), and Marie Cox Algiere (Mike) - all of Brownwood; his loving extended family - Linda Asher Killingsworth (Jay) of Salado; Susan Asher Green (Jay) of Temple; Sheri Fredrick Owens (Jim) of Fort Worth; 14 grandchildren; 14 greatgrandchildren and one great-great-grandson; one sister, Marie Cox Munn (Mac) of Austin; three brothers - Truman Cox (Belva); Gene Cox (Linda) of Liberty Hill and Don Cox (Linda) of Lampasas, and numerous nieces, nephews and cousins.

The family is grateful to Kay Rathgeber and Patricia Obermeier, of New Century Hospice, for their kind and compassionate care of George. Our thanks also to Visiting Angels for their service.

Lineage:

George Albert Cox > Jesse Marion Cox > Eli Albert Cox > Able Marion Cox > Charles Cox > Unknown

JOHN ELLIS HAMILTON (27 May 1945 - 2 Feb 2019)

John Hamilton, the son of William Ellis Hamilton and Violet Glee Goodwin, was born May 27, 1945, and died on February 2, 2019 at the age of 74.

Survived by his wife, Pamela R. Thomas Hamilton and two sons, Corey A. Hamilton and Craig Aaron Hamilton.

Lineage:

John Ellis Hamilton > William Ellis Hamilton > Maggie May Cox > William Madison Tucker Cox > George Henry Cox > Cornelius 'Neely' Cox > Christopher Cox > Solomon Cox & Naomi Hussey

LEONARD WARREN SUTTON 05 Feb 1957 - 26 Jan 2019

Leonard Sutton, the son of Jessie Leonard Sutton and Thelma Yvonne Davis, was born on February 5, 1957, and died on January 26, 2019.

He never married or had any children.

Lineage:

Leonard Warren Sutton > Jessie Leonard Sutton > Charles Wilkerson Sutton > John Wilkerson Sutton > Colby Sutton > James Sutton > James Sutton (3) > James Sutton (2) > James Sutton (1)

J. T. Wheelis, age 88, dedicated father and husband, passed away after a long illness on January 10, 2019.

J. T. was a Korean War Veteran. He worked at Sandia National Laboratories for approximately 35 years. J. T. enjoyed working with people and using computers.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Gladys. He is survived by his son, Ted Wheelis; three grandchildren, Brent Wheelis, Jennifer Campbell, and Jeremy Wheelis; and five great

grand-children.

Lineage:

Jewel Theeadore Wheelis husband of Gladys Loneta Habel > Raymond Isaac Hebel m. Beulah Mae Cox > George Washington Cox m. Mary Alice Roderick > Josiah G. Cox m. Susan Ann Burtrong

GENE LAROQUE FOSTER 1939 - 2018

Gorman, TX

Gene L. Foster, 79 of Gorman passed away Saturday, December 1st with his family by his side. Gene was born August 4, 1939 in Abilene, Texas to George and Lorene Foster. Gene grew up in Clyde, Texas until his family moved to Mineral Wells when he was a junior in high school.

After high school, Gene attended Draughon's Business College in Abilene. Then, Gene enrolled in the US Air Force for 4 years serving in Taiwan, Albuquerque and Clovis, New Mexico. After his military service, Gene moved back to the family farm in Clyde and enrolled in Abilene Christian College. While he was at ACC, he met Carolyn Scitern (from Gorman) through a family friend. Gene and Carolyn were married on October 11, 1963. Gene and Carolyn moved from Abilene to Perryton, Texas and then to Fairview, OK. Their daughter, Lisa was born in September 1966. In 1968, the family moved to Van Horn, Texas for a brief period of time. In November 1969, Gene and Carolyn moved to Gorman and purchased Preston Floral from Iris Preston. In May 1972, Gene and Carolyn were blessed with their son, Joe.

Gene owned and operated Foster Floral in Gorman for 37 years. Gene was also very active in the Gorman community participating in the Lion's Club, Chamber of Commerce, driving a school bus for the students to sporting events, ran the clock and scoreboard at the home football games for the Gorman Panthers for over 20 years and the Gorman Volunteer Fire Department. Gene proudly served on the Gorman VFD for 49 years and served as Fire Chief for 26 years. Gene also served on the board of the Comanche County Telephone Company for many years. Gene was an active member at the Gorman Church of Christ where he was a song leader, deacon and was currently serving as an elder. Gene cared deeply about the community of Gorman and was always willing to help with an event, fundraiser or any way to promote his adopted hometown.

For decades, Gene was an active member of the West Texas New Mexico Florist Association. He served as a member of the board in many positions including the President of the association. Gene loved to attend the WTNMFA conventions and events as a means to keep up with all his friends in the floral industry.

Gene was preceded in death by his parents, George and Lorene Foster, his brother, Earl Roberts and sister, Iva Lou Foster.

Gene is survived by his wife of 55 years, Carolyn Foster, daughter and son-in-law, Lisa and Kevin Whatley of Silverthorne, CO, son, Joe Foster of Carrollton and grandchildren, Amber, Kade and Jett Whatley. He is also survived by his brother and sister-in-law, Nevin and Kathy Foster of Granbury, sister-in-law, Ann Roberts of Fort Worth and sister-in-law, Louise Tinkler of Abilene. He is survived by numerous nieces and nephews.

If you would like to make a donation in his memory, the family requests that they be made to the Gorman Volunteer Fire Department. Gene was passionate about his commitment to the Gorman VFD. He joined the fire department on December 1, 1969 which was exactly 49 years prior to his death.

The funeral service will be held Tuesday, December 4th at 10:00 a.m. at Higginbotham Funeral Home in Gorman. Burial will be held at Texas State Veterans Cemetery in Abilene at 2:00 p.m. following the funeral service. The family visitation will be held Monday, December 3rd from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. at Higginbotham Funeral Home.

Pallbearers will be George Simmons, Joe Williams, Jim Guthrey, Dylan Cogburn, Don Underwood and Bill Miears. Honorary pallbearers will be Windell McGinnis, Doug Liedtke and Joe Bolin.

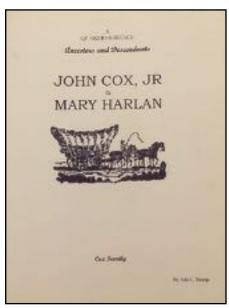
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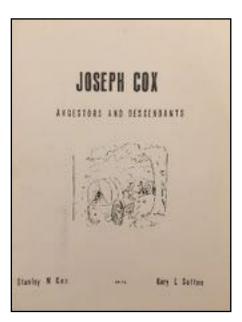
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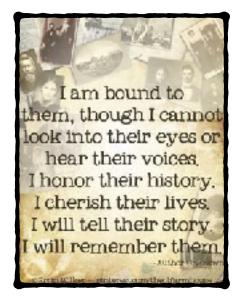
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