



SWOPE NEWS

2014 Reunion Noon at Stoll's July 26, 2014

A.E. Swope
1870-1955

Kate Swope
1870-1939



Mayme
1890-1953

Ralph
1892-1948

Elnora
1894-1997

Laura
1900-1991

Kathryn
1903-1981

Alice
1905-1985

Isabel
1908-2011

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OBITUARY

Evelyn France Evans



Otwell Indiana

Passed away July 24th at 91. Survivors are Daughters Janice Evans and Jean Haughey Brothers Raymond, Lawrence, and Curtis France sister Lois France and 2 Grandchildren

Services will Saturday July 27th at the Otwell United Methodist Church at 10 A.M. EDT Burial will be in the Otwell Cemetery Visitation will be From 3 PM till 8 P.M. Friday at The Church In Lieu of Flowers Donations may be made to the Church Arrangements by Harris Funeral Home Published in Courier Press on July 26, 2013

Cornelia Caldwell Henry died at home on Saturday, August 17, 2013, at the age of 94 in Olympia, WA, after a long struggle with dementia. She was born to Lacey and Marjorie Caldwell in Wells, Minnesota, on August 11, 1919. At the age of 18 she left the



Minnesota farm to go to West Lafayette, Indiana and work her way through Purdue University, earning a degree in Home Economics in 1941. While a student at Purdue Cornelia met Robert Henry. They were married in August of 1941, and after a short period in Lockport, NY, they settled in Evansville, Indiana, where they raised their family. Volunteering was a theme in Cornelia's life, and her contributions to the community reflected her interests. As a member and sometimes president of the Parent/Teacher Association, she supported her children's education. As an active member of Trinity Methodist Church she sang in the choir and served on numerous boards and committees. She was one of the original organizers of Meals on Wheels of Evansville and served as a volunteer director of the program until it grew to need a full time employed director. Through the Home Economists Association, she was involved in awarding scholarships to local high school students and in decorating the house of the president of what was then called Indiana State University Evansville. Cornelia also was a member of PEO and the Audubon Society, where she helped organize sales of birdseed and birdfeeder cleaning. Cornelia was honored as Volunteer of the Year in Evansville, as Distinguished Alumnus by the College of Consumer and Family Science at Purdue University, and received a Southwest

Indiana District Service to Mankind Award from the Sertoma Club.

Cornelia is survived by two sisters, Donna Opp of Minneapolis, MN, and Nancy Jirik of St. Paul, MN; three sons, Warren and his wife Lana of Kansas City, MO, Wayne and his wife Linda of Hudson, IL, and Harold (Hank) and his wife Helen of Olympia, WA; and numerous nieces, nephews, and grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband, Robert Henry, and a brother, Bruce Caldwell.

There will be a family ceremony at her graveside in Evansville in the future. Donations in her name may be made to Meals on Wheels, or to Trinity United Methodist Church Fund B, both of Evansville, Indiana.

PRAIRIE CREEK RANCH TX

Hello Family,

Texas hasn't seen as much of the bad weather as the rest of the country. No offense, but I really hope it stays up north!!

I spent Thanksgiving in Mississippi helping my girlfriend take care of her horses after her operation. Everything went well and I was home decorating for Christmas the next week.

We had lots of people here for Christmas and I stayed very busy. I missed my sister, but staying busy kept my mind on Christmas. My girlfriend from Mississippi was here and so were Richard's boys, their girlfriends and their children. Full house!! I cooked a turkey, baked beans (like Momma made them), stuffing and gravy. There were lots of presents for the kids and I think everyone had a good time.

It is official, I am now old. I turned 62 and will start my social security at the end of January. It just doesn't seem like I should be old enough to start SS!!!

I still have horses and Richard is still shoeing and trimming horses, although he has slowed down some. During Christmas break I gave riding lessons and the grand kids even got in on riding! It was a lot of fun and so warm! I wouldn't mind the weather staying in the 60s-70s everyday.

The County Judge asked me to work in his office and help his Court Coordinator and so I am working part time for him. Still working horse

shows as secretary and working with a friend giving horsemanship clinics and events. Staying busy!!!

We wish each of you a healthy and prosperous New Year!!

Paula Sue Swope

LONGFIELD DRIVE EVANSVILLE

What a year. 2013 is now past and we have 2014 to look forward to.

The year started with Vicki being sick and then passing away on January 25th. Still doesn't seem like it really happened. It still hurts. There was a memorial in Texas on February the 16th. Then we had one here in Evansville February 24th. It was a nice memorial but it was tough to get through.

I got to take a trip to Virginia to visit with Megan in May. She and I spent my birthday on Virginia Beach. We walked the beach awhile. The water was still very cold. We shopped in the stores and then had a seafood lunch. That Saturday was Family Day on the USS Porter. Got to tour the ship and got to eat on the ship too. That evening she had arranged a birthday party for me at a German restaurant complete with a piece of German Chocolate cake with a candle. I really think it was the best birthday of my life. I had such a good trip.

Megan is still stationed in Norfolk. They recently put the ship back down in the water after being in dry dock since the wreck overseas September 2012. They are still working on it though and will be starting under ways soon. She got to come home the first week of October for the Fall Festival. She also got to come home a few days for Christmas. Always love having her home.

Will is working at Raben Tire and he likes it. He loves working with cars, especially his Mustang. He is still in the Army Reserves and does his weekend a month and several weeks in the



summer. I have heard him discussing reenlistment but I have no idea if it will happen. He finally moved out and got an apartment with a buddy of his. I think he really likes living on his own.

That is about it from my house. I am praying that everyone has a blessed New Year. And, hope to see everybody at the reunion this year!!

Karen Swope

LEISURE LIVING EVANSVILLE

Greeting and wishes for a happy new year from the old folks at Leisure Living.

We are hoping that 2014 is a better year for us. We started out 2013 with my two month stay in the hospital and nursing home early in the year.

We lost our cat Boo Radley this fall. He had been feeling bad for several months and didn't respond to antibiotics. When he got worse rather than better we had to have him put down. Our Apartment sure seemed empty when we came home from the Vets, and it still does.

We both had Class reunions this fall. Ill not say which ones, but I graduated from Reitz in 1949 and Gene from Rockport in 1946. Ross McCutchan was in the same class as I, in fact we had started in the same first grade at McCutchanville. Ross is at Heritage Nursing Center and we get by to see him occasionally. I feel about that nursing home like the Cheers bar on TV where everybody knows your name. I've been a patient there so many times that it's almost like going home.

Ted and Jake were home for a long weekend in November. One of Ted's friends from Wabash had a daughter getting married.

Our Thanksgiving here at our apartment was a bit crowded. We had eight adults and four Children but we managed to squeeze everyone in. We had meg, Laurie, Grant, Carla, Logan and his friend Cammy besides Gene and I, Grants children, Ella and Gavin and Cammys three, Malok, Di-Shane and Samaria. We almost ran out of chairs.

We celebrated Christmas at Grant and Carla's. Besides a problem with getting me in and out of the house, we had lots of room. Eva made it down from Chicago. I worry about her driving down by herself in bad weather but it doesn't seem to bother her, but then she's young.

We got a new computer for Christmas and still don't have it up and running right. I'm a big Free Cell fan and manage to waste a lot of time on it.

Katie didn't make it down; she's had car trouble and also was looking for a new apartment. She had been in her old apartment for fourteen years and didn't get her lease renewed. She had to put her furniture in storage and stay with a friend till she finds a place. Maybe by spring she'll be able to get down.

I had good intentions of making Aunt Isabel's "Forget Cookies". I had saved the recipe that Guyanne put in the Swope Newsletter but somehow time ran out. Maybe this year!!

Love to all Nancy.

WHETSTONE ROAD

Lawrence France moved from his homestead to a rehab and assisted living facility. He is watching less TV and therapy has him walking more.

He played bingo and won a couple of times, once won a dollar.

His address is –

Room # 112B
North Park Nursing Center
650 Fairway Dr
Evansville, IN 47710
Telephone # 253-3039

Evelyn France

ARDMORE PENNSYLVANIA

Thanks for all that you do to keep the newsletter going and to chronicle the Swope family history. Below is the text of a recent story from the Main Line Times a project in Penny's class related to the recent typhoon and tragedy in the Philippines.

In addition, all is going well for the Glackmans in Ardmore, PA. The three households are within a ten minute walk of each other.

I changed jobs last summer and now direct the behavioral health programs for Horizon House Inc. in Delaware, working out of Wilmington, DE. I miss playing basketball after a herniated disk the spring before last, although I feel good about having extended my active playing through age 58.

Penny is having another stellar year as a 3rd grade teacher (see below). Jake is into his 6th year as a paralegal for a major Philadelphia law firm. His wife Lorie is teaching 3rd grade in Coatesville, PA. Jake and Lorie devote a lot of time to their two dogs. Jake and I made to out to Indiana this past November for a quick visit and caught up with the immediate family. In a similar trip last winter, the two of us made it to the Swope Museum for the first time, an enjoyable experience. From Mom, I have a couple of small copper plates that I believe evidence practice calligraphy by Ralph Swope during the 20's when he worked in Sheldon Swope's jewelry store - a nice connection to the past.

Julia is working for a real estate management and mortgage company in our old Philadelphia neighborhood of West Mt. Airy. Her 9 yr. old son Zion is in the 4th grade. His is doing well in school and very active in sports, especially soccer. 3 yr. old Leon has a big personality for a little guy and works hard to emulate his big brother. Both boys enjoy baking with Penny. Happy 2014 to all!

Ted Glackman and the Ardmore, PA Glackmans

MERION MAKES A DIFFERENCE

Merion Elementary School In The News

Posted: December 11, 2013

Last month one of the strongest storms to ever make landfall -- Typhoon Haiyan – touched down in the Philippines, leaving an enormous path of devastation in its wake.

This catastrophic natural disaster sparked action among students in Penny Glackman’s third grade class at Merion Elementary School, who decided to do something as a class to help victims of the typhoon. After an impassioned brainstorming session, the students decided they would generate funds for the Red Cross through the sale of rainbow band bracelets at lunch.

“The energy in the room heightened as the children discussed with great enthusiasm what they could create, how much they should charge, and when they could sell the items,” said Glackman. “The next few days, everyone stayed in for recess – by choice! – as the children went into major production making bracelets with looms brought in

from home. The collaboration of students working together and sharing ideas was truly invigorating.”

A team of students began working on advertising for the fundraiser creating a variety of promotional materials to display throughout the school while others handled business-related issues of production and pricing of items.

“The project really began to develop its own energy as discussions took place, learning opportunities emerged and the community feeling became stronger,” continued Glackman. “The focus on helping those who had suffered from the typhoon was of the ultimate concern.”

When the sale began, Ms. Glackman's class had more than 300 unique bracelets in their inventory. Within the first three hours of the first day, the bracelets had almost completely sold out, generating more than \$900 for the cause. With initial funds raised, students enjoyed an afternoon of math activates as they counted their proceeds, graphed bracelet sale patterns and projected what would be needed for the next push.

“Over the weekend children throughout the entire school were making bracelets and bringing them in to contribute to the project. Everyone wanted to be a part of this effort to help the Phillipines,” Glackman explained. “It was incredibly gratifying and amazing to see the school-wide effort and strong desire to help. We were all completely stunned by the outpouring of support from our school community.”

The response to the bracelet fundraiser was so great that sales continued throughout the following week and money for the victims of Typhoon Haiyan kept pouring in.

“The lesson of giving was embedded throughout the entire experience,” said Glackman. “We were able to integrate math, literacy, social studies, and science as we worked daily to learn more about Typhoon Haiyan and the Phillipines. Raising more than \$3,000 in just one week overwhelmed us all. One thing we learned was that children can truly make a difference.”

On December 18, students from Ms. Glackman's class presented Judge Renee Hughes, CEO of the Southeastern Pennsylvania Chapter of the American Red Cross, with a check from the fundraiser during a ceremony at Merion. Judge

Hughes expressed her gratitude, praised the students for a job well done and encouraged continued service for those in need.

End of News Story

CLIPPING ROAD EVANSVILLE

Angel and I are still moving on. Angel is ten years old now, it sure don't seem I've had her that long. For that matter it doesn't seem I should be as old as I have become this year. (85?)

Still helping at the church all I can and still keeping up a few web sites up. You might want to look at the cemetery one; there is a movie with Ken McCutchan doing a tour of the cemetery. I'll list the ones I do and you may want to look at some of them.

- <http://www.mccutchanvillecemetery.org/>
- <http://www.swopes.org/McCutchanville%20School/index.html>
- <http://www.swopes.org/>
- <http://reitz1946.com/>

I have got so I hire house cleaning and also grass mowing.

Hope everyone has a good new year.

Paul Swope



Just found out Megan Yoder was awarded the Navy NAM Medal. Don't have the award wording yet but this is what it's for,

Awarded for:

"Distinguishing oneself by heroism not involving actual conflict with an enemy of the United States"

FROM THE EDITOR

I just found out that Harlan Swope's wife, Kitty, broke a leg. Don't know when she will be back home from the hospital.

REUNION

The reunion last year was at Stoll's and it seemed to go well and everyone seemed satisfied. There were 30 in attendance. I have talked to Stoll's and we have a reservation date of noon Saturday July 26 2014. Get there between 11 and noon and we will chow down at 12. Stoll's is just south of I64 on hwy 41. If we have 25 people or more the room will be private. The room will hold 100.

See the web page at www.swopes.org/reunion.htm there are pictures. I have put some of the 2013 reunion pictures on the web site. If you would like to see more pictures or print some pictures ask me for a CD of the pictures.

ADDRESS

We have been trying to keep all the addresses up to date. If you want the latest list let me know and I will get you one. Please try and keep the list up to date. If any of your family needs to be added let me know.

ACCOUNTING

The Swope News letter costs approximately \$120 a year for two issues to print and send. If we don't have full 8 pages it is somewhat less. We have \$818.09 in the checking account so we can operate a while.

Anyone wishing to audit the check book and account is welcome. If you would like a copy of the account sheet I can email it or snail mail it to you. I will have a copy of the accounting sheet at the reunion.

NEWS LETTER

We have decided to a two a year news letter cycle. They will go out in January, and June. I always need articles of family interest to keep the family up to date. Please get them to me in a timely fashion. We can have up to eight pages without additional postage required.



If anyone wants the job of editor I will gladly give it up. All you need to do is ask.

I now have News Letters printed and stapled at the UPS store. It is easier that way and they can print it cheaper than I can. I still print the address mailing sheet, I may figure out a way they can print that to.

It seems that we get less input for the news letter each time for publishing. If there is not more interest shown I will suggest that we quit publishing. Then there is a problem of closing the checking account, who gets the money left?