
The Turrentine Letter

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Reunion June 2014

Date: 3rd WEEKEND in June, Friday evening social with big dinner on Saturday, June 21st.
Reservation information is attached. Hotel phone number is **919-383-8575**. Also Kermit has created a website with basic information, photos, and it will be updated if there is new information. It has a place where you can indicate to all that you will be coming and where you can check out who is coming. <http://www.turrentine2014.myevent.com/>

Deaths

Turrentine, Frieda Oleta (Boaz) was born 24 February 1930 and died 20 August 2013. She married 01 July 1946 in Vancouver, Washington, James A. Turrentine #1125.

Call, Mary Melvina Callahan was born 1 Oct 1925 and died 3 November 2013. She was married to Booker Nance Call. She was the daughter of Nancy Lee Turntine #1098 and Henry Carter Callahan. She was a seamstress at Princess Gardner for 30 years.

Turrentine, Reba E. "Penny" Rossberg born 1 November 1925, died 21 December 2013 in Texas. The obituary did not say, but I believe she was the wife of James Lamar Simpson Turrentine #2111 who died in 2008.



Turrentine, Ronnie Dee born 10 June 1947 died 10 February 2014, Richardson, Texas. He was known for his love of family and sports. He cheered at many games for his children, step-children and grandchildren.

Turrentine, Reverend Reece Goff (#1705) was born 24 February 1929, and passed away on December 21st, 2013. He is survived by his loving wife of 62 years, Eleanor “Onie” Turrentine, children Michael and Linda Turrentine,. Reece graduated from the Candler School of Theology at Emory University, in 1954, was ordained, and started his ministry. For 41 years, he and his family served the Methodist Church from Thomasville to Hahira, to Cuthbert, to Fort Valley, to Macon and Atlanta. He retired in 1995 from Peachtree Road United Methodist Church. He was not only a compelling speaker, but a joy to be around, and was as comfortable in a canoe as he was in the pulpit. He taught us through sermons that sometimes weren’t sermons at all, but active lessons on caring, compassion, music and faith. Reece was also an artist, musician and writer. His messages in each church bulletin were saved for later inspiration. His articles were eagerly awaited each month in the “Brown’s Guide to Georgia” and were part of the book “The Riverkeeper’s Guide to the Chattahoochee”. He had “river water flowing through his veins” and was an early conservationist, who loved every facet of the outdoors. He was a family man who was also a pilot, a motorcyclist, and a golfer.



Turrentine News



Lucas A. Moore (#4317.03012) Graduated from United States Army Airborne School, October 2013 and then became a Ranger in January 2014. His first unit assignment will be with the 2nd Ranger Battalion at Ft. Lewis, Washington.

Quilt created in memory of Freddie Pullen Turrentine by Freida Turrentine Jones #2570.01. Freddie was married to Ernest Dinisomore Turrentine #1518. (Site would not allow me to copy the photo.) <http://www.flickr.com/photos/afa-events/4040052971/>

Tony Turntine of Nashville, Tennessee received his license as minister 26 January 2014 at Christian Journey Fellowship Church. He credited his success to God and his supportive wife Tongela. Tony is the latest in a long tradition of Turrentine/Turntine preachers.



Zia Turntine was named best defensive player for the Hickman County Middle School Girls Basketball Team.



Kevin Neal was awarded Deputy of the Year, Reserve Division for 2013 for Hamilton County, Indiana. Their headquarters is in Noblesville, Indiana. Kevin is a descendant of Virginia Turrentine Anschutz #507, and the son of Sharon (Oberlie) and Jay Neal.



Carlotta-Carla Schmidting Levy was awarded Outstanding Sales Achievement by the Realty Executives.

Turrentine Family Crest Needlepoint



We still have some Turrentine Family Crest needlepoints. Cost is \$60.00. Don Turrentine before his death pledged \$30 per sale to the Turrentine Cemetery Special Fund for tombstones for unmarked graves or those with badly worn stones. If you wish to purchase one send your check made out to: **Turrentine Cemetery Fund**,

Mail to: Joyce E. Hodges,
17952 168th St
Bonner Springs, KS 66012

I send you the crest. Photo of the needlepoint on the left.
The price does not include a frame, just the needlepoint.
The size is 8 ½ inches by 11 1/2 inches.

TURRENTINE CEMETERY FUND

Jerry Turrentine of Fredericksburg, Texas had promised to match the next \$750 donated toward the Turrentine Cemetery Fund. We have received a few more donations, but the amount has still not been completely donated, so you donation can still be doubled by Jerry's match. The Cemetery Fund does have federal tax exemption under 501c as a non-profit charity, so the amount you donate is tax deductible. If you want to see photos of the cemetery and the stones, go to <http://findagrave.com> and search for Turrentine Cemetery in Orange County, North Carolina.

Turrentine Queries

There is a Turrentine board at rootsweb.com. The following query was posted. Please respond on that site. Link is: <http://boards.rootsweb.com/surnames.turrentine/138/mb.ashx>

I am looking for information on my grandmother's father. My grandmother was born in Ft. Smith, AR in January of 1923 out of wedlock. She was born to an interracial union and placed in an orphanage when she was born. Her birth name was Marion Turrentine, however her mother - Anne or Annie Wilson - later married and she was adopted by her stepfather and took on the last name of McKindra. I know she attempted to contact the family at some point when she was alive, but she did not pass any information on. If anyone has any information on where or how to start looking I would appreciate it.

If you do not use the internet, reply to me, the editor, and I will make the response. It would be nice to connect her to the family tree.