

Utley Family Update

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2006 Utley Reunion—fun, food, fellowship

The **2006 Utley Family Reunion**, held **Saturday, July 29**, was a smashing success!

Family members had a wonderful meal, enjoyed sharing family updates and visiting with relatives from near and far.

Sue Bates designed and pieced patchwork quilt squares for the center of each table, plus a quilt topper for the registration table. After the meal everyone signed the white center of each quilt square with archival ink pens. These signed squares will be stored and displayed at future reunions. Folks will be encouraged to add their signatures at reunions in the years to come.

The centerpiece on each table featured silk flowers and old and new family photos. Everyone was encouraged to take home any photos that they wanted.

Mary Utley staffed the registration table and had everyone to sign in when they received their name tags.

There were goodie bags at each place setting with pens, “scooshy” pen grips,

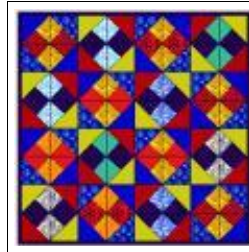
mini-Post It notes, candy bars and chewing gum.

Also at each place setting was a reunion program. The program insert featured information about the three family members who have died since the 2005 family reunion. Also listed were all our deceased family members, beginning with **John Allen** and **Lilla Maude Utley**.

Rebecca Williams designed family calendars featuring photographs of **Utley** family reunions beginning in the mid 1930s through the 2005 reunion.

Each family who had registered for the reunion was given a DVD of the PowerPoint presentation. This presentation begins with **John Allen** and **Lilla Maude’s** photos as young adults and features photos of most of our family members. **Jackie Utley** prepared the PowerPoint and **Lynn Williams** made copies of the DVD for family members.

Rev. Jack Carver gave the blessing before our bountiful buffet lunch. Several people commented that this was the best meal we’ve had at a reunion.



Glenn Rainey welcomed everyone to the reunion following the meal. **Glenn** urged folks to be sure to see the 60-foot family tree at the east end of the banquet room. The tree began with **John Allen** and **Lilla Maude** and continued to show marriages and births through the fifth generation.

Richard Utley, Ben Usinger, Sue Utley, Sue Bates, and Teresa Denson gave family updates on their branches of the **Utley** family.

Rev. Dan Bates gave the benediction at the end of the reunion. Many people took the opportunity to stay and visit and admire family photo albums.

Thanks to our generous anonymous relative for paying for the meal and the room rental! **Thanks** to everyone who had a part in making this one of our most successful family reunions ever!

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Deadline for submission of material is the 20th of the month preceding publication.



Cousin Spotlight on Martha Utley Sladek's Family

Martha Pricilla Utley was the ninth child and the fifth daughter born to **John Allen** and **Lilla Maude Utley**. **Martha** was born March 20, 1909 in Lavinia, Tennessee. She married **Frank Joseph Sladek** on February 25, 1933. Their only child is **Karen Ann Sladek Fourreau**. **Martha** died in LaGrange, Illinois, on January 28, 1993.

Our Cousin Spotlight focuses on **Karen's** husband, **Charles Wilkerson Fourreau**, "**Chuck**" to his friends and family.

Charles Wilkerson Fourreau

In response to a questionnaire, Chuck Fourreau wrote:

"My full name is **Charles W. Fourreau**. I was born on April 5, 1936, which was Palm Sunday, in Chicago, IL. I was born at home after 2 days of labor. Parents could not afford hospital.

One of my first memories: playing Marines with my brother on the roof of the building we lived in.

Christmas memory: I always got a doctor's kit each Christmas. I loved to play Dr.

Elementary school memory: I ditched school and my sister came and found me and I got spanked. I was in the second grade.

Family vacation: New Orleans, Mardi Gras in 1949. First time we ever stayed in a motel.

My first paying job was newspaper route at age 10 in Chicago.

My longest employment as an adult: Fuller Brush, Field Manager, overseeing the territories of 15 men. In 1994 I retired due to heart attack and diabetes.

Education: I went to 10 different grade schools and 2 different high schools. All in the Chicago and suburban area. Math was my favorite subject and English was my least favorite.

How I met my spouse: In 1954 I worked at a delicatessen in a shopping

center and **Karen** used to come in as a customer. **Martha** also would come in on the weekends.

We were married on June 20, 1959 in Brookfield IL at Brookfield Baptist Church with Rev. Robert Pettit. One outstanding memory of that day is how pretty my wife looked in her wedding gown.

Memories of my wife's parents: They taught me how to handle money, for which I am grateful.

My children: **Arleen K. Fourreau**, born November 18, 1960 in Augusta, GA; **Dennis G. Fourreau**, born November 18, 1962 in Hinsdale, IL; and **Scott T. Fourreau**, born October 8, 1970 in Hinsdale, IL.

My grandchildren: **Arleen's** children are **James Torres** and **Jonathan Torres**, both born on June 17, 1992, at Rush Presbyterian Hospital in Chicago, IL, and **Justin Torres** born on April 9, 1996, at Glen Oaks Hospital in Glendale Heights, IL. **Dennis' children** are **Andrew B. Fourreau** born on May 3, 1992, and **Michael Fourreau**, born on September 14, 1994. Both were born in Aurora, IL, at Mercy Hospital. **Scott's child** is **Matthew Butcher Fourreau**, born on May 30, 2004, in Joliet, IL.

Military service: August 1959 through August 1961, Army. Since it was peacetime, I was stationed in Georgia at Fort Gordon.

Civic, social and church activities: Deacon at Butterfield Baptist Church in Lombard, IL, during the years our kids were growing up. The church is no longer in existence as the congregation was very small and financially could not hold on.

If my home caught on fire and I could go back to retrieve only one thing (assuming all people and pets were safely out) I would choose the slides of our early years together and our kids' early pictures.

If I could give advice on how to live a happy life, I would say, "Have a good family life and everything else will take care of itself."

Anything else I'd like my family to know about me: That I am proud of the way my life has turned out and would not change it."



*Karen and Chuck Fourreau
1989*

Fourreau Family Photos



*Karen and Chuck Fourreau
June 1959*



*Back: James, Jonathan and Justin Torres
Middle: Walter and Arleen Torres, Dennis Fourreau
Front: Chuck and Karen Fourreau, Matthew, Scott and Jill Fourreau,
Kathleen, Michael and Andrew Fourreau
September 2005*



*Arleen, Scott, Kathleen and Dennis, Martha
Utley Sladek Reininger, Chuck and Karen
June 1990*



*Jill and Scott Fourreau
September 2005*



*Jonathan, Walter, Arleen, James (standing)
and Justin Torres
Christmas 2002*

Utley Family News

~Annie~

Linda Buck emailed on July 28, "We have a new Grandson **Joshua Michael Buck** Born Aug. 23 at Midnight 8 lbs. 8 ounces. The baby has a fever and yellow jaundiced and is doing some better but the dr. is keeping him in the hospital for a few days. Please keep him in your prayers."

Congratulations to new grandparents, **Mike** and **Linda**, and proud parents, **Scott** and **Kim!** Welcome to the **Utley** family, little **Joshua!**

Joshua>Scott>Mike>Louise>Annie

~Abe~

On August 9, **Millie Hestand** emailed, "We were invited to England [in July] to visit friends from other trips. They live in Hampshire, Kent and Essex. They spoiled us in the most delightful ways. They are all good cooks; it was like eating with **Beulah** and **Abe**. English food is absolutely delicious when properly prepared. Among the home cooking we enjoyed was an absolutely perfect lemon meringue pie, an apple pie, meat pie, toad in the hole, bangers and mash, traditional roast lamb Sunday dinner, and lovely salmon fillets. Fresh raspberries and strawberries (the kind we got before the needs of shippers ruined them) were in season; cream is abundant and thick.

Tho it was hot, the nights cooled down to require cover with open windows and pleasant sea breezes. We were often overlooking the sea from high cliffs; some beaches were sand but most are

smooth rock called shingle. We shopped in Marks and Spencer's, Tesco, and little shops. Charity shops were in every block. Hanging baskets, planters on the sidewalks, beds along public ways were filled with blooming flowers. We saw a copy of the Geneva Bible, the Magna Carta, Stonehenge, Salisbury Cathedral with its very tall spire, 900 years old Christchurch Priory, attended evensong in Canterbury Cathedral, and a hog roast which made almost \$3000 for the parish church.

Our friends took us round and about in their cars so we learned to understand the signs and appreciate the function of the roundabouts. The roundabouts control intersection traffic without overpasses, traffic lights and minimum stopping. Imagine the saving! A traffic light in our neighborhood for the school and fire department cost \$100,000 recently. It was too hot to even think about London where there were power difficulties but we did travel by train in and out of Waterloo which serves the Eurostar trains. We were upgraded for our British Airways flight home during the day and had no jet lag.

Our trip was wonderful.
[Millie was married to the late Robert Vernon Utley, son of Abe and Beulah Utley.]

Leslie Utley Truax reports that her husband, **Steve**, has taken a job in Memphis, and they hoped to close on their house at the end of July. Best of luck with your new house and your new job!

Leslie>Lloyd Allen>Abe

~Martha~

Karen Foureau writes, "**James** and **Jonathan Torres** graduated Jr. High and will be freshmen at Lyons Township High school in LaGrange, IL.

Andrew Foureau graduated Jr. High and will be a freshman at Naperville North High School, Naperville, IL.

James and **Jonathan Torres** have been working at a Boy Scout Camp in Big Arm, Montana, for the past month. **Arleen**, **Walter** and **Justin** drove out there to pick them up and will be taking a family vacation in the National parks on the way home.

Andrew Foureau took a class trip to Washington, DC, after 8th grade graduation."

James>Arleen>Karen>Martha
Jonathan>Arleen>Karen>Martha
Justin>Arleen>Karen>Martha
Andrew>Dennis>Karen>Martha

~Raleigh~

Carol Barrett sent this family update: "**Robert [Hatcher]** was medically retired from the army now. I hope he doesn't ever have to go back!!!!!!! He now works for Lance Inc. Snack Foods and Toms Chips. **Robert** got a promotion to Route Engineer. He started on July 24th, and he will be traveling throughout the country for one year. While he's doing his new job **Jacky** is staying home. They are in the process of building a new house in Oakland, TN.

Bubba [Jerry Hatcher, Jr.] and **Teresa's Jessica Mangrum** graduated from Milan High School and will attend UT Martin this fall.

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Jennifer and **Wesley** are expected to have a baby boy on Sept. 10, 2006. They are going to name him **Dylan Ryan Lipford**. **Jennifer** married **Wesley Lipford** on Oct. 8, 2005. They just bought their first new house in June 2006 and they are so excited!!

Jake Mayo graduated from Kindergarten in May 2006 from Milan Elementary.

Rachel Barrett graduated from Kindergarten in May 2006 from Thelma Barker Elementary.

John Luke Barrett was 8th in his class for school year 2005-06.”

Robert>Jerry Jr.>Emily>Raleigh
Jessica>Jerry, Jr.>Emily>Raleigh
Jennifer>Jerry, Jr.>Emily>Raleigh
Jake>Barbara>Emily>Raleigh
Rachel>Carol>Emily>Raleigh
John Luke>Carol>Emily>Raleigh

*Today's
Family News
will become
Tomorrow's
Family History*

NASA and Kate Utley

There aren't many internships where you feel like you're a part of history being made, but **Kate Utley** has one.

The past is what drew the Frisco [TX] native to NASA to begin with.

“It's just the sound of it and all the history behind it,” **Utley** said. “So many great things have come out of NASA.”

Utley heard about the space agency's Cooperative Education Program through her school and couldn't let the opportunity slip by. As a biomedical engineering major at Texas A&M University, however, she wasn't so sure that NASA wouldn't pass her up – after all, she associated NASA more with aerospace and mechanical engineers.

But she found that biomedical engineering is poised to play an important role in NASA's future. As NASA turns its attention toward flights to the moon, Mars and beyond, it's going to be important to study the physiological affects of long duration space flight and develop countermea-

sures. And that's right up **Utley's** alley.

“I see my part playing a little bigger role in the next 20 years than it has before,” she said.

She intends to be here to see it through. **Utley** was one of about 150 students chosen from 40 universities across the country to take part in NASA's co-op program. Designed to prepare undergraduates for careers by supplementing classroom learning with real-world experience, the extremely competitive program allows students to alternate semesters at school with working at Johnson Space Center.

The paid, full-time positions in their field of study, give students a chance to see what they might like to do after graduation. For **Utley** that's meant designing parts of exercise equipment to be used by astronauts and working on a program that compiles two-dimensional medical scans into 3-D models.

Utley's mentor, **Tom Duncavage**, branch chief of Information Fusion Test and Analysis said it may not land them in a history

book, but it's still new and important work for NASA. And he said **Utley** did a great job on it.

“She is without a question the best co-op I've ever worked with,” he said. “As a matter of fact, we'd love to hire her. She was that good.”

The feeling was apparently mutual – **Utley** is planning to return to Houston after her graduation in December and take on a permanent position working on spacesuit fits.

[NASA press release, 28 July 2006]



Kate>Larry>Robert V.>Abe

Reunion 2007

Mark your calendars now for “**Mardi Gras in Jackson,**” the **2007 Utley Family Reunion**, on **Saturday, July 28**. The location will be the **Old English Inn in Jackson, TN**. The meal will again be catered by The World Champions Cajun Cookers.

There will be great Food, lots of Fun, and maybe even Feathers. We’ll definitely have Mardi Gras beads and doubloons.

YOU need to be there!

“Laissez Les Bon Temps Rouler!”

[Let the good times roll!]



Utley Reunion Calendars

Rebecca Williams has designed calendars featuring photos of **Utley** family reunions from 1934 through 2005. The calendar lists family birthdays and anniversaries by month.

Beginning with August 2006, the calendar runs through August 2007; and it’s a quick and handy way to remember important family dates.

The calendars are available for a suggested donation of \$20, which includes postage. Any money received will be used for expenses for the **2006 Utley reunion** and the pre-reunion expenses for the **2007 family reunion**.

If you’d like your own *Utley Family Reunion Remembrance* calendar, contact **Jackie Utley** at the address on the back page of this newsletter or at email JUtleyMail@aol.com.

Newsletter Heroes

The “*Utley Family Update*” is an ongoing project with ongoing expenses. Although some newsletters are sent via email, the majority still must be printed and mailed through the postal service.

All contributions, large or small, are gratefully accepted.

Any money not used for the newsletter will be applied toward family reunion expenses.

Thank You to these Newsletter Heroes!

Karen and Chuck Fourreau
Ben Usinger
Wilma Utley
Lynn Williams



Utley Family Photos DVD

Everyone who registered for the **2006 Utley Family Reunion** received a DVD of the PowerPoint presentation with photos of most of our family members.

If you’d like a copy of the DVD, please contact **Jackie Utley** at the addresses shown above. There will be no shipping fee.

If you’d like to update or add your family photos, please send them to **Jackie** via USPS or email for inclusion in the 2007 family photo DVD.

We’d like to include a photograph of every family member in this project, but we need your help. If we don’t have the photos, they can’t be in the DVD.

Nov/Dec 2006

‘Utley Family Update’

The November/December 2006 “*Utley Family Update*” will feature a Veteran’s Day tribute to all of our family members who have served in the military. Please send in your name, branch of service, dates of service, and any interesting story you might want to share. Photos in uniform would be great! Active duty and reserve service will both be honored.

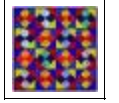
Our Cousin Spotlight will feature the spouses of **Raleigh’s** daughters, **Sarah Massey** and **Emily Oliver**. If you have memories or stories about **Elmer Massey** or **Herbert Oliver**, please share them.

As always, we need all of your family news.

Deadline for submission is **October 20, 2006**. My mailing address and email address are in the previous article.



'Our Family Quilt' 2006 Utley Family Reunion



*Anna Marie, Diane and Paul Deschenes,
Bobby Bates, Paula Simpson*



*Sue Bates with a signed quilt
square*



Glenn Rainey and Ben Usinger



*John and Mary Utley at the
registration table*



*Geraldine Rainey, Sue Utley, Dot
Wilson and Earldine Carver with Utley
calendar*



John, Becky, Wilma and Richard Utley

*More Reunion photographs
are available online at
www.utleyfamily-tn.org*



'Our Family Quilt
2006'

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Reunion wrap-up, Utley family news, Reunion photos and more

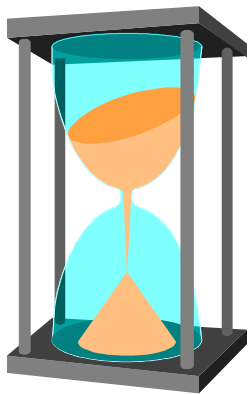
Celebrations: Utley Family Birthdays and Anniversaries in September and October 2006

SEPTEMBER

- 2 Bob J. Utley
Kathy Carver
Chris Cupples
- 3 Andrew Wise
Emily Oliver
Heather Carver
- 4 Cindy and Larry Utley
John Thomas Utley
Kailia Grace Utley
- 5 George Utley
- 7 Debbie Pumphrey
- 8 Terri Massey
- 9 Barbara and Bob Mayo
June Massey
- 10 Emily Ann Bolin
Jill and Scott Fourreau
- 11 Brandi Draper
- 12 Titus Toon
- 13 Jessica Mangrum
John Luke Barrett
- 14 Rickey Carver
Michael Fourreau
- 15 Jacob Allen Buck
- 16 Dot and Ted Wilson
Dianne Utley
Melanie and Chet Buck
- 18 Bob L. Utley—65
- 21 Leslie Truax
Laura and Joe Montes
- 25 DeLaine and Roger Dabbs
- 26 Pat Bolin
Holly Lauren House
- 27 Ted Wilson—80
DeLaine Dabbs
- 30 Eric Buck

OCTOBER

- 2 Bob and Jenna Utley
- 4 Kae Utley
Jerry Hatcher, Jr.
Daniel Deschenes
- 6 Melissa Rainey Ervin
- 7 Jason Rainey
- 8 Scott Fourreau
Jennifer and Wesley Lipford
- 10 Madeline Lee Massey
- 11 Coleman Yates
- 12 Jessie Carver
- 13 Paula Simpson—50
Sue Utley
Elizabeth Wilson
- 15 Becket Welsh
Patricia Arthur—40
- 16 Martha Frances Bates
- 17 Jill and Jeff Utley
Mary Ann Rainey
- 20 Kim and Scott Buck
- 21 Mary Utley—75
- 23 Bob Mayo
Geraldine Rainey
- 24 Preston Spratt
Jennifer Carver Gladden
- 25 Heather Utley
- 27 Bonnie Yates—60
- 31 Tracy and Mark Svetz



Utley Family Cookbook

For the **2007 Utley Family Reunion** we will be publishing an *Utley Family Cookbook*. We are asking all family members to submit their favorite family recipes. The format will allow us to print a photo, sketch, child's artwork, and/or a brief description of the recipe and when your family serves it (Thanksgiving, Christmas) or who created the recipe (Great Aunt Martha) or just how much your family likes it. The price of the cookbooks will be determined by how many we order and how many pages we end up printing. I'm giving deadlines for each type of recipe, but of course, will welcome any recipes at any time. Those of you with email addresses will be receiving an invitation to submit your recipes online at your convenience. We need all recipes submitted before **June 15, 2007** to allow time for proofing and printing.

<input type="checkbox"/> Appetizers	September 30, 2006	<input type="checkbox"/> Soups and Salads	October 31, 2006
<input type="checkbox"/> Beverages	November 30, 2006	<input type="checkbox"/> Vegetables	December 31, 2006
<input type="checkbox"/> Side Dishes	January 31, 2007	<input type="checkbox"/> Meat and Game	February 28, 2007
<input type="checkbox"/> Fish and Seafood	March 31, 2007	<input type="checkbox"/> Poultry	April 30, 2007
<input type="checkbox"/> Baked Goods	May 31, 2007	<input type="checkbox"/> Desserts	May 31, 2007
<input type="checkbox"/> Other	June 15, 2007		

Submission Form:

Please check the appropriate recipe category above. Use the back of this sheet or another sheet if needed.
Mail to: Jackie Utley, 590 Wallace Rd, Jackson, TN 38305-2839

Name of submitter _____

Recipe Name _____ Serves _____

List of Ingredients:

Preparation:

Story or memory about this recipe: