

**DR. ROGER BRIAN AUSTIN
RECEIVES 2002 EAGLE AWARD
FOR "AN OLD COLONIAL FAMILY"**

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Roger Brian Austin of Cambridge, England received the 2002 Austin Genealogical Research Award for himself and fellow researcher Timothy John Smellie.

Editor's note: The Austin Genealogical Research Award is announced each year at the National Austin Convention by the Austins of America Genealogical Society (AOAGS). Often called the "Eagle" award, it was established in 1997 to "recognize those AOAGS members who have made significant contributions to publishing Austin genealogical research." The 2002 Eagle was awarded to Dr. Roger Brian Austin of Cambridge, England for his contributions to revising and publishing a book entitled "An Old Colonial Family," a copy of which he had donated to the AOAGS library. This Eagle Award also serves to honor the authors of the previous edition of this book, Dora Phoebe Austin Burslem and Audrie Dorothea Austin Manning, as well as Timothy John Smellie who collaborated in the latest edition. The book itself has rather interesting roots, as described below.

Roger Brian Austin was born 9 October 1930 at Stamford, Lincolnshire, England, the son of Arthur Gordon Austin and Marjorie Winifred Knight. His father worked for Lloyds Bank, and moved with his family to various towns in the area, finally settling in Hadleigh, Suffolk, where Arthur was manager of the branch there. After national service in the Army, in the course of which he served in West Africa, Roger went to Birmingham University, England from where he graduated in botany in 1952. His first job was as an agronomist with Bookers Sugar Estates in the former British colony of British Guiana (now Guyana) on the north coast of South America. He remained there for 3½ years, and returned to England in 1956 when he obtained a post as plant physiologist at the National Vegetable Research Station, near Stratford-upon-Avon.

In 1971 Roger Austin was appointed head of the Plant Physiology Department at the Plant Breeding Institute, Cambridge. His department specialized in cereals research, principally wheat. He was awarded the degree of D.Sc. from his University in 1980. During the course of his career he travelled extensively to lecture on aspects of his work, visiting other countries in Europe, in North and South America, Africa, the Middle East and the Far East. In 1990 he retired on reaching the compulsory retirement age of 60, but remained active in editorial work for two scientific journals. As an outcome of lecturing in Spain during the 1980's, he was invited to work for the Spanish Higher Council for Scientific Research. From 1992-1997 he spent six months each year in Zaragoza, Spain working on various aspects of the barley crop.

Timothy John Smellie was born on 12 December 1933 in Georgetown, British Guiana, the son of Geoffrey Haward Smellie and Elsie Doreen Waterfield. Elsie's grandmother was an Austin. Although Timothy attended Queen's College in Georgetown, his father had always wanted him and his brother David to have an English education. So in 1944, with the war still in progress, the two boys and their mother sailed for England. After schooling in England and two years national service in the Royal Navy, Timothy finished his education at Cambridge University, gaining a B.A. degree in Natural Sciences and a Diploma in Agriculture. From 1959 until he retired in 1993, he worked for United Dairies, later to become Unigate, a firm connected with the dairy industry. He was a scientist engaged in the chemical analysis of the company's products, first in their central laboratories in London and later at their technical and research centre in the county of Wiltshire. During this time, Timothy was also involved in implementing advances in testing techniques to the company's products which, in the 34 years in which he was employed, had been dramatic, from analysis using 'wet' chemistry and slide rules to the use of electronic equipment and computers.

Timothy's father and grandfather were born in British Guiana, his great grandfather, James, coming out to the colony from the Orkney Islands off the north coast of Scotland in 1836 to grow cotton. James' father, another James, was the First Minister of the Free Church of Scotland, which had broken away from the established

church in 1843, at St Andrew's, Orkney. The Smellie family can be traced back to 1700 but other intermarrying families take the ancestry even further back in the Orkneys, the Spences to 1500 and the Traills before that. The Traills were the original lairds, treating their tenant crofters like slaves, and were much disliked, a feeling carried on to the present day!

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Uncaptioned photos of Dora Phoebe Burslem and Audrie Dorothea Austin

Dora Phoebe Burslem was born in Barbados in 1894, daughter of William Burslem & Mehetabel Emma Grant Austin. She went to London University, earning a B.A. degree. Dora later joined the British Colonial Service where she served as education officer and worked in Trinidad, Hong Kong, Kenya & Barbados. When in Hong Kong, she and her mother were evacuated to Australia after the Japanese bombed Pearl Harbor in 1941. Dora was a good teacher and well-loved. Many of her pupils kept in touch with her until her death in 1982.

Audrie Dorothea Austin was born in Barbados in 1916 and lived there until World War II. In 1936, she married Clifford John Carrington Manning, a sugar planter and part owner, with his half-brother Harold Marion Manning, of Plantations Westmoreland & Mount Standfast in Barbados (these plantations now form part of a world-class golf course). During the war, John served in the Royal Air Force in England and in the United States as a flying instructor, and was in Bomber Command as a pilot, flying Halifaxes in the 77th Squadron. After John died in England in 1978, Audrie remained in England, traveling occasionally to Barbados. She and John have four children, one of whom lives in Barbados.

Roger knew that his grandfather had lived much of his life in Brazil, serving in the British Consular Service there. After he retired, and wishing to trace his grandfather's origins, Roger wrote to the L.D.S. Church in Salt Lake City, who provided the information that his great grandfather and great grandmother had both been born in Barbados. Enquiries in Barbados eventually led him to a copy of a booklet about a prominent Austin family there, entitled 'An Old Colonial Family, 1685-1900' and to its surviving co-author, Audrie Manning. Timothy's interest in family history stemmed from his mother's memoirs which she was persuaded to write towards the end of her life, particularly the Austin side of his ancestry. He also had a copy of the booklet and on contacting the Audrie Manning, to find out more on the family, was told that Roger Austin was on the same quest.

Audrie provided Roger and Timothy with the addresses of various other family members, including the daughters of the late Anthony Mordaunt Innis Austin (1914-1998). Anthony had taken over 'the archives,' a collection of papers and letters about the Austin family and related families in Barbados and in British Guiana (some members of the family had moved to British Guiana from Barbados in the 18th century). These papers were originally assembled by John Gardiner Austin (1838-1902), added to by his daughter Dora Helen Annette (1874-1955) who passed them along to Dora Burslem and Audrie Manning. Dora and Audrie used the papers as the basis for their booklet published in 1974. Anthony corresponded with many family members who in turn provided additional biographical and genealogical information. Another family member, Major Bruce Gardiner Merivale-Austin, also contributed to the research and kindly lent his papers and correspondence on the Austin family history to Roger and Timothy.

All these papers were invaluable for updating the 1974 booklet. Roger and Timothy traced and corresponded with members of the family who live in Australia, Canada, South Africa and Sweden, obtaining information on many 'lost' members of the family. A first draft of the updated family history was published in 2000 and, on the basis of corrections and further information received, a second edition was published in 2002. Roger and Timothy acknowledge with gratitude the pioneering work of all their predecessors in acquiring and preserving information on their Austin and related families. Without this work, the publication of *An Old Colonial Family* would have been impossible.

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Roger Brian Austin (shown at left circa 1970) and Timothy John Smellie (shown at right circa 1999) collaborated in researching and publishing the 2002 revised edition of *An Old Colonial Family*, the book upon which their article *Some Descendants of Thomas Austin of Barbados* is based (see pages 717 and 777).

**AUSTIN FISHERMEN FROM GLOUCESTER
MASSACHUSETTS WHO LOST THEIR
LIVES AT SEA FROM 1716 TO 2001**

by Patricia Biebuyck Austin

AOA Photo 783

**They that go down to the sea in ships, that do
business in great waters; These see the works of the
Lord, and his wonders in the deep.**

The Gloucester Fisherman's Memorial stands at the edge of the Atlantic Ocean in Gloucester, Massachusetts. It is comprised of the famous statue shown to the right, plus the ten plaques appearing in the upper photograph on the next page. The following words are found on the left most of these plaques:

For nearly four centuries the history of Gloucester has been the story of America's greatest fishing port. With this memorial, we commemorate the lives and the legacy of those who died at sea while fishing.

The first settlers came from England in 1623 to harvest the ocean's bounty. They concentrated on the rich fishing banks between Gloucester and Newfoundland, and later ventured throughout the Atlantic. During the 1800s, immigrants from many lands joined in the perilous work. Sustained by the hope of prosperity, they came from the Canadian Maritimes, Scandinavia and Ireland. Later, they came from Italy and Portugal. These intrepid men established an industry that has yielded countless millions of pounds of fish.

Their legacy came at a tremendous cost: the loss of over 5300 men. Some were overtaken by the howling winds and mountainous seas of a catastrophic northeaster. Some met their fate in the solitude of a small dory gone astray from the schooner that brought them to the banks. Some ships collided in storms and tragically sank. Others were run down by steamers in shipping lanes.

These courageous men have been known by names other than fishermen. They were father, husband, brother, son. They were known as the finest kind. Their lives and their loss have touched our community in profound ways. We remain strengthened by their character, inspired by their courage and proud to call them Gloucestermen.

Numbers alone can never chronicle the loss of human life, yet the statistics reflect the magnitude of Gloucester's sacrifice. On these plaques are the names of men known to have been lost. This memorial also stands to honor those men and ships lost without record.

- MEN KNOWN TO BE LOST AT SEA AND HONORED HERE: 5368
- OF THE NEARLY 1,000 SHIPS LOST, THOSE LOST WITH ALL HANDS: 265
- THOUSANDS OF WIDOWS STRUGGLED TO SURVIVE AND RAISE THEIR CHILDREN. MANY OF THOSE FATHERLESS CHILDREN ENTERED THE TRADE OF THEIR LOST FATHERS.
- BETWEEN 1860 - 1906 A STAGGERING 660 SHIPS SANK. WHILE MANY OF THE FISHERMEN WERE SAVED, 3880 MEN WERE LOST.
- A SINGLE STORM IN 1862 CLAIMED 15 SCHOONERS AND 120 MEN, WHILE ANOTHER DEVASTATING STORM IN 1879 TOOK THE LIVES OF 159 MEN.

Let us remember, honor and celebrate these fishermen who made their final voyage from this great port.

There were five Austins among the fishermen lost at sea from ships sailing out of Gloucester, Massachusetts. Their names are on a memorial centotaph, shown in the photograph to the right, which was provided courtesy of Northlight Photo of Gloucester:

AOA Photos 784-1 ,-2**Uncaptioned photos of the Gloucester Memorial****1735 ICHABOD AUSTIN****1764 WILLIAM AUSTIN****1869 ISAAC AUSTIN****1876 CHARLES L. AUSTIN****1892 CHARLES AUSTIN**

Ichabod Austin was possibly born on 12 August 1712 to Sarah Moore, the daughter of John and Martha (Walford) Moore, who accused Ichabod Austin, son of Matthew Austin of Maine, of fathering her child. He drowned 17 March 1735 from schooner belonging to Major Sargent.

William Austin is of unknown ancestry.

Issac Austin was single when lost from schooner *Augustus E. Price* on the Georges Bank on 6 March 1869.

Charles L. Austin was single when lost from schooner *Walter M. Falk* on the Grand Banks in 1876 after 10 November.

Charles Austin was born in Newfoundland and single when lost from schooner *Lawrence A. Monroe* on the Grand Banks on 22 August 1892.

— *Massachusetts State Archives Death Records*

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AOAGS NEWSLETTER ISSUES

Since the first issue in August 1979, the AOAGS newsletter *Austins of America* has been published twice each year, nominally in FEBRUARY and AUGUST. Each issue now reaches over 520 Austin family researchers and libraries. Effective with this issue, *Austins of America* will be published three times a year, in JANUARY, MAY and SEPTEMBER. This will enable publishing more of the valuable Austin information and photographs submitted by AOAGS members. If you have not already preserved your own Austin line information for future generations through the *Austins of America Genealogical Society*, please take the time to do so today. You can submit your information and photographs to AOAGS, 23 Allen Farm Lane, Concord, MA 01742-2202. Photographs should be protected by stiff cardboard inside an envelope labeled "PHOTOGRAPHS – DO NOT BEND." All photographs will be scanned promptly and returned to you. Sharing what you know of your Austin line through publication in *Austins of America* has often proven a great way to find others researching the same or related Austin lines!

2003 CONVENTION IN RICHMOND, VIRGINIA

The 2003 National Austin Convention will be held on 20-22 June in Richmond, Virginia, jointly sponsored by the Austins of America Genealogical Society (AOAGS) and the Austin Families Association of America (AFAOA). It will be held at the Richmond Crowne Plaza Hotel, 555 East Canal Street, Richmond VA. The hotel overlooks the historic banks of the James River, and is within walking distance of many historic places of interest, such as the Museum and White House of the Confederacy, Richmond's Civil War Museum, and Shockhoe Bottom, Richmond's historic shopping, dining and nightlife district. The hotel provides free van transportation to the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts and the Science Museum. A block of rooms has been reserved for the period from June 16th to 27th at the special rate of \$89 per night plus \$7 for garage parking. The days before and the after the convention weekend allow time for personal research and sightseeing. To make reservations, call the hotel at 1-800-227-6963 before May 17th, and be sure to inform the agent that you are with the 2003 National Austin Convention or you may not get the correct room rate! Hotel room availability at the Convention rate cannot be guaranteed for those reservations made after May 17th.

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George Washington (1732-1799) by Houdon

In 1784 the Commonwealth of Virginia General Assembly commissioned a statue of George Washington "to be of the finest marble and the best workmanship." Thomas Jefferson, then ambassador to France, recommended that Jean Antoine Houdon, the most famous sculptor of the day, execute the work. In the late summer of 1785, Houdon and three assistants stayed at Mount Vernon and took detailed measurements of Washington's arms, legs, hands and chest and made a mold of his face. Although work began after Houdon returned to Paris later that year, the statue was not completed until 1788 and it was not shipped to the United States until 1796, when it was installed in the Virginia State Capitol Rotunda in Richmond.

NOTE: The top portion of page 786 contains the 1850 US Census for Delaware and has been deleted here. It is available elsewhere on this web site.

QUERIES

786-1. **John Austin** and wife Judith were residing at 35 Penn Street in the 1816 City Directory for Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. A possible relation Robert Fitzgerald was living there in 1797, and possibly as late as 1813. Would like to learn more about John and Judith's ancestry.

786-2. **John Freeman Austin** was born in 1829, and married Anna Aurilla Whittier. He died in 1909, Anna died in 1929 in Amesbury, Massachusetts, both are buried in Newton, New Hampshire. Their son Willis Freeman Austin born 26 October 1866 in South Hampton, New Hampshire, married 6 December 1905 in Amesbury to Ellen Augusta Huntington born on 2 October 1869 in Amesbury, Willis is buried there. Seeking John's parents.

786-3. **Olive Austin** was born on 6 August 1770 in Massachusetts, married on 30 January 1786 in Hoosick or Dutchess County, New York, Nicholas Rouse, born 20/30 July 1763 in Dutchess County, died 24 June 1845 in Steuben County, New York. Their daughter Almacy Rouse born 11 April 1798 in Athens, New York, died 19 December 1878 in Waukesha, Wisconsin. She married 19 September 1819 (Judge) Oliver Kellogg, Jr., born in 1797 in Sharon, Connecticut, died 1859 in Ann Arbor, Michigan. Olive died in 1846 in Washtenaw County, Michigan. Seeking anything on Olive Austin's ancestry.

786-4. **Joseph M. Austin** born ca. 1857 in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, married 24 February 1878 Cornelia Sailer, also known as Nellie or Ellen. His occupation carriages. Their son Joseph M. Austin was born 3 January 1879. Seeking any information on Joseph M. Austin's parents.

786-5. **Alfred J. Austin** was born circa 1858 in England, married Mary Edith Smith, born 20 December 1862 in St. Louis, Missouri, daughter of James and Emily 'Emma' (Walker) Smith, both born in England. She had two brothers, William J. Smith and Percy F. Smith, and a little sister Ada B. Smith. In the 1920 census for Parsons, Labette County, Kansas, Edith Austin was a widow with a son Perry G. Austin age 27, single, born in Kansas. Seek any information on parents of Edith and of Alfred Austin.

**SOME DESCENDANTS OF
THOMAS AUSTIN OF BARBADOS**

*by Roger Brian Austin
Timothy John Smellie
and Bruce Merivale-Austin*

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steps with his wife, stopping on the way at Barbados, which at the time suffered one of the worst hurricanes ever recorded there. Bishop Coleridge, the first Bishop of Barbados whose diocese then included British Guiana and the Windward Islands, was no doubt eager to obtain such a recruit and urged him to accept the offer of a curacy at St. George's, Demerara, under his former tutor Mr. Lugar. In the Cathedral of St. Michael, Bridgetown, being used at the time as a hospital for the victims of the hurricane which had taken place ten days earlier, William Piercy Austin was ordained deacon on 21st August 1831. He proceeded to Georgetown. Before long, however, he decided to go home to see his mother, but owing to the miscarriage of a letter they actually crossed one another on the high seas. He settled for a while as curate of Easton and Embrough in Somerset and was ordained priest by the Bishop of Bath and Wells in 1833."

William Piercy Austin returned to the colony of British Guiana, where he acted at St. George's for his uncle Rev. James Lugar and later in Essequibo for his cousin T29 Rev. William Austin, who due to his wife's health had taken his family to Canada. With the exception of these acting appointments, William Piercy never seems to have had any parochial curacy, but when the See of British Guiana was created in 1842 he became its first bishop at the age of 35 and was consecrated at Westminster Abbey in London. The following day he went to kiss the hand of Queen Victoria (who was then 23) and she is said to have remarked "Here comes my youngest and most handsome bishop." He was granted a coat of arms (shown at right) and the citation states that the arms may be borne by all Austin descendants of his grandfather Thomas Austin. William Piercy chose as the motto for his coat of arms *mens conscia recti* (a mind conscious of rectitude). This motto appears in Carmen Pascale (A Song of Easter) by the fifth century Irish poet Caelius Sedulius and may have been adapted by Sedulius from a passage in Virgil's Aeneid. It is possible that Bishop Austin, whose mother was from an Anglo-Irish family, chose the motto both for its literal meaning and its Irish association. In 1844 Bishop Austin founded Queen's College, Georgetown, and was its first principal. The

college is to this day the premiere school in the country. Doubtless the education there was strictly classical.

AOA Photo 787-1

Bishop William Piercy Austin (1807-1892)

AOA Photo 787-2

The Coat of Arms granted to Bishop William Piercy Austin. Austin descendants of Colonel Thomas Austin may bear a similar Coat of Arms "with due and proper differences according to the Laws of Arms."

Older Guianese described the Bishop's travelling, in full canonical dress, in the local flat-bottom boats called 'coorials' into the remoter regions of his enormous diocese which was as large as England, being rowed by a crew of American Indians. In old age the Bishop was described by Archdeacon Thomas Farrar, in his book "Notes on the History of the Church in Guiana":

"... our Bishop stands out as the Epoch-making man of his period, while a liberal education, exceptional social advantages, the athletic training in his 'College Eight' in unique Oxford, and above all the special training made necessary by his early appointment to his high office, in the peculiar and graceful virtues of tact, moderation, and what, for want of a name, may be termed courtliness... A man of more than average height (he stood 6 ft 2 inches in his stockings), and with shoulders proportionately broad; a face full of benevolence and eyes both gentle and firm, deep-set in the large head with its broad forehead; the manner and bearing of a nobleman, touched with that slight condescension which sits so well on more than eighty years of life and experience; moreover a voice deep, sympathetic and strong, almost as strong today as it was twenty years ago."

Eliza Piercy Henderson Austin died on 23 January 1881. In 1883 William Piercy Austin became Primate of the West Indies, being its senior bishop. In 1891 the Queen appointed him Prelate of the Most Distinguished Order of St. Michael and St. George. He died in harness at age 85 on 9 November 1892 in Georgetown, having celebrated his Jubilee as a bishop. His body was briefly rested in the new cathedral (the building of which was not yet completed). The funeral service was then held in the pro-cathedral and the body, after passing through streets crowded with mourners, was laid to rest alongside that of his wife Eliza in the churchyard of St. James the Less in Kitty, Georgetown, Guiana. Kingston House, the Bishop's residence in Georgetown, is now called Austin House in his memory. William and Eliza had nine children

T311. ELIZA, *b. and d. 10 January 1832 in British Guiana.*

T312. WILLIAM GEORGE GARDINER, *b. 15 April 1835 +*

T313. ELIZA ARABELLA, *b. 27 March 1837 +*

T314. CHARLES PIERCY, *b. 23 March 1839 +*

T315. MEHETABEL WICKHAM, *b. 1 April 1841 in London, m. 26 May 1862 Josias Booker, born 16 October 1828, a partner with his brother John and John McConnell in the well-known firm Booker Brothers, founded by his father. Her parents and family in general did not approve of her marriage, because Booker was much older than Mehetabel and 'rough.' Her cousin T342 John Gardiner Austin wrote "Met has made her bed and must lie in it." It seems that she went blind on the birth of her child which did not live, and she herself died at age 26 on 2*

May 1867 in Liverpool, England. There is a window to her memory in the church of St. John and St. Anselm in Clifton, Bristol, and a brass plaque to her name placed in Saint George's Cathedral in Georgetown, Guiana which reads:

*This Tablet is placed here by Josias Booker, of
Liverpool and this Colony*

In fond memory of his devotedly attached wife,

MEHETABEL WICKHAM,

*Second daughter of the Right Revd. William Piercy
Austin, D.D., Lord Bishop of this Diocese, and Eliza
Piercy, his wife.*

Born in London, 1st April, 1841.

Died in Liverpool, 2nd May 1867, aged 26 years.

*Her remains rest with those of her two infant brothers,
in the churchyard of St. John's, Redland, Clifton.*

*Josias died in 1881, he was buried in Woolhope,
Hereford.*

T316. JOHN COLERIDGE, *b. 1844 in British Guiana, he died in 1850, and was buried in St. John's, Redland, Clifton.*

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At top is Austin House, Georgetown, Guiana in 1998, the Residence of the Anglican Bishop. William Piercy Austin lived here until his death in 1892.

Below it is St. George's Cathedral in Georgetown in 1955. It was completed in 1892, the year of Bishop Austin's death.

T317. MARY LOCKHART, 'Locky' b. 1845, she d. unmarried on 4 January 1870.

T318. CHARLOTTE BRUCE, b. 18 March 1849 +

T319. FREDERICK COLERIDGE MOORE, b. 1850, he d. 1851, buried in St. John's, Redland, Clifton.

T32. MARY³ AUSTIN (*William*,² *Thomas*¹) was born on 5 September 1809 in Bath, England. She was married to Capt. Charles Pierrepont Gardiner, 'a captain in the Hon: East India Company,' unrelated to Mehetabel Piercy Austin's stepfather, John Gardiner D.D. of Bath. Mary Gardiner was known in the family as "Aunt Gardiner." After her husband Charles died, she lived in Worthing where she kept touch with her Uncle Jeffrey's widow, Fanny Piercy, and was always considered to be comfortably off. However on her death in January 1890 in Worthing, it was found that a trusted maid had acquired everything of value and her money. Mary and Charles had one son:

T321. CHARLES PIERREPOINT, *he emigrated to Australia in early youth to seek his fortune. For some years he wrote to his parents but then disappeared. It is presumed that he lost his life during the violent and lawless period of the first Australian gold rushes.*

T34. JOHN GARDINER³ AUSTIN (*William*,² *Thomas*¹) was born on 7 August 1812 at the "Lowlands Plantation" in Demerara, British Guiana. His mother named him after her stepfather, Dr. John Gardiner of Bath. With his elder brother and two sisters he was left in the care of the step-grandfather and his grandmother in Bath, and this is where he was staying when news was received of his father's death in 1819. He went to the same school in Winchester as his brother William Piercy Austin. His granddaughter Dora expressed surprise that John did not follow his brother to the University, for the days of great financial stringency had not yet arrived. However, when school days were finished, John returned to Demerara and took over the management of the family estates. On 17 March 1836 in the Church of the Servite Fathers in Hove, John married Emma Wilday. She was born on 1 February 1811, the daughter of Charles and Sarah (Murray) Wilday. The couple settled in Georgetown, Guiana, but presumably John paid visits to the "Land of Plenty" and "Lowlands" plantations which he managed.

The two Austin estates were among the first to produce centrifugal sugar, which made a handsome profit when landed at Bristol, England, and the effect of the emancipation of the slaves in 1834 was not yet felt. On the strength of his sugar prosperity, John Gardiner Austin determined to take his family to England and establish himself as a country gentleman. Accordingly, in 1840, he chartered a schooner named *Eleanor* and they set forth on the long voyage. Besides himself, his wife and three small children, the party consisted of his parents in-law, Emma's

Aunt Polly (Sarah Wilday's sister), Emma's two unmarried sisters, her brother Charles, and four servants. The cabins had to be furnished and enough 'dead and alive' food loaded to provide for a voyage which might, with bad weather, last ten or eleven weeks. The 'live' provisions included chickens and cows to give milk for the children. Their granddaughter Dora recalled that on a visit to Sweden she read a diary that was kept by Charles Wilday on this voyage

AOA Photo 789-1

Land of Plenty Plantation in Demerara, British Guiana

AOA Photo 789-2

John Gardiner Austin (1812-1900)

which was fascinating. Unfortunately it has long since disappeared. The party landed at Bristol in July, and after visiting relations the Austins settled at Thickthorne, a small manor house a mile south of Kenilworth in Warwickshire. There once existed a small water-colour of this house (which is still a residence) on which was written 'The Seat of J. Gardiner Austin Esq.', but this has also disappeared.

In 1844 there came a disastrous slump in sugar, and with it ended John Gardiner Austin's ambitions of being an English country gentleman. The family returned to Demerara to save what they could from the wreck. John took a post in the Government Service as Stipendiary Magistrate (1843-44), as Assistant Government Secretary (1850-53), and as Immigration Agent (1853-64). In 1854 their eldest daughter aged fourteen was sent to her aunts in Germany to complete her education. Two years later she was followed by Emma Austin, whose health was failing after twelve years in a tropical climate. The five younger children went with her, accompanied by Mimmy, a faithful servant, who according to family tradition, had been given to John and Emma as a wedding present. Mimmy remained, greatly loved, with the family until her death.

In 1858 John Gardiner Austin took leave and settled his dependants, including Mehetabel, in Porchester Terrace, Bayswater, London, and there they lived for many years, although he himself went abroad again. After emancipation of the slaves, labour on the West Indian sugar estates became very scarce, and it was suggested that Chinese immigrants should be encouraged to fill the gap. Sir Cecil Clementi in his book *The Chinese in British Guiana* tells the story of this effort, which did not in the end prove successful. It was the importation of East Indian labour which eventually saved the sugar industry. Sir Cecil wrote:

'The combined Court of Policy voted a salary of £1500 a year, exclusive of traveling expenses, for the payment of an officer to be employed in China for the promotion of emigration to British Guiana and in a letter dated 25th May 1858, the Governor, with the approval of the Secretary of State, offered this appointment to Mr. J. G. Austin who was then on leave in England. He accepted the appointment and reached China early in 1859.'

On 11 November 1858, John's son wrote to his sister Mehetabel (everyone called her 'Belle') from Demerara:

"I am sorry you did not give the date of Papa's arrival at different stations, as I have no idea of the rate of his traveling."

It would be interesting to know whether he traveled around the Cape, or, as is more likely, through the Mediterranean and overland from Port Said to the Red

Sea (the Suez canal did not open until 1869). This was the beginning of a family connection with the Far East which lasted for more than twenty years. Sir Cecil Clementi describes the four 'Seasons' which Mr. Austin spent in recruiting Chinese labour and the ships which he dispatched with the number of emigrants in each, men always vastly in excess of women. The headquarters were in Hong Kong, but John traveled to coastal towns in China such as Amoy, in search of recruits. This was not without its dangers, for he relates:

"Even in Hong Kong money had to be brought to the office under the charge of a Sepoy with a loaded musket, and I have often sat with a loaded revolver at my side to guard the dollars which were being paid out. I never cross to Hang-thai but with the greatest caution, concealing my movements as much as possible, and never parting with my revolver day or night, holding it in my hand repeatedly during the whole of the latter. On one occasion two piratical junks were placed to intercept me; on another, my sub-agent was beaten and robbed of everything he possessed and a price was set upon the head of every foreigner."

In 1862 his health broke down, and he left Hong Kong in April. His son John wrote to Belle:

"I hope sincerely our dear Father won't return to China. It would be far better for him to return to his old post in Demerara in the event of nothing better turning up elsewhere."

Something better did turn up, for the following year John Gardiner Austin was appointed Lieutenant Governor of British Honduras, having been thanked for his services in Hong Kong by the emigration agents. Sir Cecil Clementi says:

"No one can fail to be impressed by the energy and sagacity with which Mr. Austin took full advantage of a singularly opportune moment of organising family emigration, enlisting the sympathy in his enterprise not only of missionaries and consuls, but even of the local Chinese officials."

On the other hand there was some criticism of his expense accounts, which included champagne, a fish-pond and pew rent. No doubt the first was necessary for entertaining Chinese Mandarins as they gazed at the carp in the pond, while the brother of a Bishop would consider pew rent an essential.

Emma and their two older unmarried daughters, Emmy and Louisa, followed John to British Honduras. Helen being only ten was left behind, either with her aunts in Germany or with her eldest sister Belle in Sweden. She was of an age to share a governess with Belle's stepdaughters. John Gardiner Austin Jr. was on leave in

NOTE: Pages 791-795 contain the 1850 US Census for Missouri and have been deleted here. They are available elsewhere on this web site.

**SOME DESCENDANTS OF
JEREMIAH AUSTIN AND HELEN THURSTON
OF JONES COUNTY IOWA**

*by Carolyn Austin Kingston
and William John Neal*

Editor's Note: This family is a branch of the Samuel and Hopestill Austin of Boston line (see *Austins of America* page 8). Links to this line were found with the help of Pauline Lucille Austin of Marion, Iowa, and Carol Robinson Austin of Garden Grove, California. The photographs are from an album in the possession of William John Neal.

S246-317. JEREMIAH CORLISS⁷ AUSTIN (*Edward W.*,⁶ *Jonathan*,⁵ *Jonathan*,⁴ *Zebediah*,³ *Thomas*,² *Samuel*¹) was born 7 February 1827 in Orange County, Vermont, the son of Edward W. Austin and Hannah Corliss. In 1836 he moved with his parents, settling first in Indiana, and later in Kane County, Illinois. He was married 21 July 1848 in Dundee, Kane County to Helen Mar Thurston, born 11 June 1832 in Darien, Genesee County, New York, the daughter of George A. Thurston. She was age 14 when she came with her parents to Kane County. In 1856 Jeremiah Austin went to Iowa where he preempted a 640 acres of land in Hale Township, Jones County, Iowa, despite a Federal law permitting individuals to preempt only 160 acres. He returned to Illinois for his family, and in 1857 they moved West, settling on land that by 1902 had become known as the "Horton farm." Before the 1860 census they moved to Wyoming, Jones County, Iowa, where their fourth son was born in 1861. Jeremiah was a farmer, carpenter and builder, and he served as a Road Supervisor and Justice of the Peace. On 8 August 1862 Jeremiah Austin of Wyoming, Iowa, enlisted in the Union army and was appointed Captain of Company G, 31st Regiment, Iowa Volunteer Infantry. The Company had 19 officers and 78 privates. The love and esteem in which they held Capt. Austin was told by one of their number writing to the *Anamosa Eureka* news paper in Anamosa, Jones County:

*Camp Herron, Davenport
September 17th 1862*

Messers Editors:

I thought I would give you a short account of Captain Austin's company. We organized in Rome Township, by electing J. C. Austin captain, and let me say here before I pass, that he is a very fine man. Beloved by his company and one who has their welfare at heart, he is always ready to grant anything that is reasonable.

His office and duties rest lightly on his shoulders. He does not put on airs and you would not know by his manner that he is captain, although while on duty he is dignified and manly. To say the men like him would not convey the idea; they love him

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Jeremiah Corliss Austin (1827-1902)

They mustered on 13 October 1862. While at camp at Davenport, Iowa, Jeremiah contracted the measles. He was seriously ill for a time, and while he seemingly regained his health, he never fully recovered from its serious results. His 31st Iowa regiment took transport down the Mississippi River on 1 November 1862, arriving on the 20th at Helena, Arkansas. On 27 November they were attached to the 1st Division 3rd Brigade of Hovey's Expedition to the Cold Water river in Mississippi, returning to Helena on 7 December. Two weeks later they were attached to the 11th Division 2nd Brigade of Maj. Gen. William T. Sherman's Expedition to the Yazoo River. On 26 December, three Union divisions disembarked at Johnson's Plantation on the Yazoo River to approach the Vicksburg defenses from the northeast. On the 27th Federal troops pushed their lines forward through the swamps toward Walnut Hills, which were strongly defended. On the 28th, several futile attempts were made to get around these defenses. On 29 December, Sherman ordered a frontal assault on Chickasaw bluffs which was repulsed with heavy casualties, forcing him

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Helen Mar (Thurston) Austin (1832-1911)

to withdraw. Estimated casualties were 1776 for the Union forces, and 207 for the Confederates. This Confederate victory frustrated Gen. Grant's attempts to take Vicksburg by a direct approach. Five days later Jeremiah Austin found time to write home to his wife Helen:

Mellehens Bend

On board the steamer Nebraska, about 25 miles above Vicksburg, January 3rd 1862 Helen, The mail steamer came down the river last evening, and brot a large mail for 31st Regt., but imagine my disappointment in not heering my name called for letters, but I must beare up under this disappointment like all others which I have passed through. We have jest passed through one of the hardest, contested Battels, that has ben fought in this Rebellion. I have no time or inclination to try to write you any thing like a discription of this Battle. You will undoubtedly get all the particulars long before this reaches you. Our Regt (the 1st) was in the field for three days & nights and a part of the time in hardest of the fight. Our station was in the midst of heavy timber which protected us, and our Regt lost but two men, wounded. I was placed in command of two companys, as an eskort to protect amunitions trains passing to and from the field of Battle, & was furnished a good horse to ride.

The result of this Battle, is nothing more or less than a defeat, and a repuls. We found the rebills strongly entrenched and fortified on a chain of high Bluffs which nearly surround the city of Vicksburg. Canon of the largest calliber, and muskeel Batteryys with strong brest works which the Rebills have had plenty of time to arreng and make ready to receive and distroy their foses (the Yankeys).

But I must tell you what will interest you most, that I am still alive & safe altho in feeble health. It surprises me to think of the amount of labor I have performed, and the exposure passed through all this has been the means of keeping me down weak, and I have become fully satisfied, that I must soon begin to hold up and get rid of some of my cares, & labors or otherwise I may have to give it up altogether.

But I feel very thankfull that my health is as good as it is, when I see hundreds every day who are worse off than I am. I have seen more suffering withing the last weak than I ever see before in my life. Several of my own company are sick and one (Augustus Nash) died on the Battle Field. O. B. Lowell is quite sick with diarea, but I think is gaining

slowly. Our destination is unknown (to all except the head of command). I hope we shall get within mail communication before making a perminant stop.

I have become fully satisfied that this Rebellion can never be put down by force of arms. Nine millions of free People in the South, fighting on their own soil with resorses all most equal to our own, can never be conquered & held in subjugation by any nation, and besides this I believe the soil and climate of the South is pecualarly adapted to the negro race, and would never be cultivated or inhabited by any other laboring class of people. I have not seen a healthy looking white man south of Cairo, whilst the Negrows are all fat and contented. Therefore I say let Slavery take care of it self in Slave States. The principale may be wrong, but like all other wrongs, will in time regulate it self and become extinct. In your last letter you ask me when I think this horable war will close. My opinion is that it will soon close by a compromise of some kind. I am quite sure in my own mind that it cannot be done in any other way.

Now a word about home. I am very anxious to hear from my Dear Wife & Boys. It seems like a long time since I have heard from you. I often feel the need of some of your kind care and attention. My health continues so poor that I feel the need of rest and quiet very much, and if I am no better by Spring, shall be obliged to resign or else loose my health entirely. If I had no family to mourn & feel my loss, I should be very indifferent about the future, but I consider my duty to you and family paramount to all others, and will try and be guided accordingly. Pleas write often, direct to Helena Ark. Does little George remember his paw yet, he & Eddy must have a new pair of scates next winter and paw will be at Home to fix the sleds and enjoy the sports.

*Yours J. C. Austin,
Capt Commanding Com G 31st*

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Graves of Capt. Jeremiah Corliss Austin & wife Helen M. Austin in Oak Shade Cemetery, Marion, Iowa. His sword engraved "Capt. J. C. Austin 31st Reg. IVI" courtesy of Paul Lawrence Austin of Banff, Alberta. Their grandson Harlow E. Austin is also buried there.

Jeremiah C. Austin resigned on 30 January 1863, and was mustered out in February on account of disability. He returned home, broken in health, and like so many of the Grand Army of the Republic men, his life was one grand battle for existence. In the 1870 census Jeremiah and Helen Austin resided in Anamosa, Jones County, where he had \$21,200 real estate and \$2000 personal estate, and where Helen joined the Congregational Church. In 1877 they likely helped their son Edmund purchase a boots and shoe store in Marion, Linn County, Iowa. On 9 May 1884 Jeremiah joined G.A.R. Post 191 in Olin, Jones County. Circa 1892 they moved to Marion, and Jeremiah transferred to G.A.R. Post 206 there in 1893. In the spring of 1894 he constructed two new buildings, one known as the "J. C. Austin" building. He was a Republican in politics and "liberal" in religion. Jeremiah and Helen had four children, but George had died as a young child and Edmund had died in 1880, thus neither is mentioned by Jeremiah in his 1901 will:

I Jeremiah C. Austin of the county of Linn, State of Iowa of the age of seventy four years being sound of mind do make and declare this to be my last will and testament in the manner following to wit:

1st After paying all my indebtedness including my funeral expenses, I give bequeath and demise to my beloved wife Helen M. Austin, all my personal property including all moneys and securities which I may be possessed of at the time of my decease. Excepting and reserving therefrom two thousand dollars, as herein after stated.

2nd I give and bequeath & demise to my oldest son Frank E. Austin two thousand dollars in notes which I hold against him, which are to be cancelled.

3rd I have heretofore given to my youngest son George T. Austin, two thousand dollars and I now give and bequeath to him all rents and profits from the East Store building situated on the East 1/3 of lot six, block fifteen in the city of Marion, Linn County, Iowa. It is also my will and pleasure that at the decease of my said wife Helen M. Austin, that all of my property both real and

personal shall be equally and justly divided between my two sons, the said Frank E. Austin and George T. Austin and lastly, I do hereby appoint my wife Helen M. Austin to be Executor of this last will and testament, and I also appoint my son Frank E. Austin to be assistant Executor of this my last will and testament without bonds.

Signed this 10th day of October. A.D. 1901

Jeremiah C. Austin

Witnessed by

Robert H. Austin

Mrs. T. K. Dodge

Jeremiah Corliss Austin died on 9 June 1902 in Marion. In part his eulogy reads:

Glancing down the list of officers and privates of his company, we find the majority of them have passed over and have joined the great army of the redeemed. One by one we garland their memories with sweet incense from the altars of love. And today we lay a wreath of immortelles on this casket, remembering that the sweetest fragrance comes from flowers plucked in full bloom, when life is at its best.

"Give me my flowers while I can enjoy them, and when I am gone, pass them on to others" was a principle he believed in, and those who knew him best, knew he lived.

During his last illness, which dates from last February, he seemed to feel the end was near, and expressed himself as ready to go. His devotion to wife and family manifested itself in his patience and solicitude for their comfort, and his appreciation of flowers sent was most touching.

Surrounded by all that was most dear on earth, he passed into the great beyond, and left the home circle bound by another link to the eternal.

After Jeremiah died, Helen lived with her son Frank in Olin. She died 19 January 1911 in Marion. Jeremiah Corliss Austin and Helen Thurston Austin are both buried in the Oak Shade Cemetery in Marion. Their monument is shown to the left. They had four sons, the first three were born in Dundee, Kane County, Illinois, the fourth was born in Wyoming, Jones County, Iowa:

S246-3171. GEORGE CORLISS, b. 20 August 1849 in Kane County, he d. in November 1852.

S246-3172. FRANK EUGENE, b. 24 June 1852 +

S246-3173. EDMUND FREMONT, b. 4 April 1855 +

S246-3174. GEORGE THURSTON, b. 23 June 1861 +

AOA Photo 799-1**Edmund Fremont Austin (1855-1880)****AOA Photo 799-2****Cora Alice (Palmer) Austin (1859-)**

EIGHTH GENERATION

S246-3172. FRANK EUGENE⁸ AUSTIN (*Jeremiah Corliss,*⁷ *Edward W.,*⁶ *Jonathan,*⁵ *Jonathan,*⁴ *Zebediah,*³ *Thomas,*² *Samuel*¹) was born 24 June 1852 in Dundee, Kane County, Illinois, and went with his parents to Jones County, Iowa circa 1857. He was married 25 December 1879 in Olin, Jones County, to Ida Luella Lamb, born 25 December 1860 in Olin, the daughter of Jacob and Mary (Easterly) Lamb. In 1880 Frank E. Austin was the Agent in Hale, Jones County, for the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railway. In the 1885 Iowa Census they resided in Hale, and in the 1895 Iowa Census they resided in Olin, where he was a lumberman, she was keeping house, and Mary H. was five. They were Methodists, and still resided in Olin when Frank's father died in 1902. Ida died in 1916 and is buried in the Oak Hill Cemetery in Cedar Rapids, Linn County, Iowa. A 1924 newspaper noted "Frank E. Austin will spend Thanksgiving in Cedar Rapids" with his daughter's family. Frank died on 12 November 1941 at his home at 2329 Bever Avenue in Cedar Rapids, from prostate cancer. Frank Eugene Austin is buried with his wife Ida at Oak Hill Cemetery. Their two children were born in Jones County:

S246-3172-1. {son}, *d. 17 June 1883 as unnamed infant*

S246-3172-2. MARIE HELEN, *b. 4 September 1890 in Jones County, m. 7 Sept. 1910 Clare W. Broomhall. They had children, but their names are unknown.*

S246-3173. EDMUND FREMONT⁸ AUSTIN (*Jeremiah Corliss,*⁷ *Edward W.,*⁶ *Jonathan,*⁵ *Jonathan,*⁴ *Zebediah,*³ *Thomas,*² *Samuel*¹) was born 4 April 1855 in Dundee, Kane County, Illinois, and went with his parents to Jones County, Iowa circa 1857. He was married on 1 November 1877 to Cora Alice Palmer, born 3 August 1859 in Illinois, daughter of Harry L. Palmer. A month later on 1 December 1877, Edmund purchased the Pioneer Boots and Shoe Store at 11 East Main Street in Marion, Jones County, from G. A. Colban. Ed Austin continued in this location until February 1879. The 1880 Federal Census on 10 June in Cedar Rapids, Linn County, Iowa, shows Edmund and Cora living with her father. The same census records that

Edmund was ill in his lungs. Three months later, on 16 September 1880, Edmund Freemont Austin died. He was buried in Lot 114 of the Wyoming Cemetery in Madison Township in Jones County, his father J. C. Austin owned the cemetery plot. Edmund and Cora had no children. Cora married second Edward Mead, son of Austin Mead.

S246-3174. GEORGE THURSTON⁸ AUSTIN (*Jeremiah Corliss*,⁷ *Edward W.*,⁶ *Jonathan*,⁵ *Jonathan*,⁴ *Zebediah*,³ *Thomas*,² *Samuel*¹) was born on 23 June 1861 in Wyoming, Jones County, Iowa. He married first 10 September 1879 Mary Rosalie Blackmar, born 11 January 1861 in Linn County, Iowa, daughter of Augustus and Eliza Ellen (Hollenbeck) Blackmar. In the 1885 Iowa State Census they resided in Hale, Jones County where George was a voter, a farmer, and in the militia. By 1894 George and Molly had moved to Marion, Linn County, where he started a new grocery business in the J. C. Austin Building, built for him by his father Jeremiah Austin. Later occupied by Plinny Harlan's paint store, this frame building was located just east of the B. F. Mentzer Hose House.

George must have seen – and perhaps even joined – the volunteer Mentzer Hose Company brigade racing other brigades to fires. At stake, the honor of raising the traditional broom high above the victorious hose cart upon its return. They competed in state and national Firemen's Tournaments, and were the pride of Marion. The competitions featured drill teams, parading, colorful uniforms, and firefighting tasks such as stretching hose and making couplings. Their rise to national prominence was well documented by Marion's turn-of-the-century newspapers.

Molly Austin died on 25 August 1925, and is buried in the Oak Shade cemetery in Marion, Iowa, with her son Harlow. At some point George moved to Minnesota, his grandson Philip remembers fishing with him at Lake Minnetonka in 'streetcar boats.' They used long fishing poles and fished for crappies and sun fish. Six of these 70-foot boats were launched in 1906 at Excelsior, Minnesota. They were all painted canary yellow and looked as if a streetcar had been merged with a steamboat. They were over 14 feet wide, and were designed to carry up to 135 passengers from point-to-point on Lake Minnetonka.

George Thurston Austin married second Jennie Lingle Wilcox of Canada, widow of Thomas G. Wilcox. The couple likely resided in Minnesota. Guest books at Carl

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George T. Austin fished from these yellow streetcar boats with his grandson Philip Austin using long poles.

Eugene Austin's cottage in Lac du Bonnet, Manitoba, show Jennie Lingle Austin first visited there on 27 July 1929, her last visit was on 11 September 1939. She died on 13 March 1940 in the United States, and John Philip Austin escorted his grandfather George and Jennie's body and back to Canada via the Great Northern Rail for burial beside her first husband on 18 March 1940 in Brookside Cemetery (Lot 324 Section D2) in Winnipeg. After the death of his second wife, George moved to Canada. He resided for a while with his son Carl's family in Fort Garry, Manitoba, then took a seniors apartment at 99 Roslyn Road in Winnipeg. George Thurston Austin died 10 April 1942 in Winnipeg, and is buried beside his son Hubert Austin in Elmwood Cemetery in Fort Garry. George and Mary had three sons born in Jones County:

- S246-3174-1. HARLOW EDMUND, *b. 22 July 1880, he died of croup on 4 September 1889, he is buried in Oak Shade Cemetery in Marion, Iowa.*
- S246-3174-2. CARL EUGENE, *b. 16 August 1881 +*
- S246-3174-3. HUBERT HENRY, *born 12 July 1883 +*

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Photographs of George and Molly Austin's infant sons Harlow Edmund Austin and Carl Eugene Austin, taken at the 1882 Iowa State Fair by H. I. Elliott, from his Premium Photograph Gallery in Marion, Iowa.

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The Times-Picayune, New Orleans LA + 2 January 1998
- Jerry David Austin** age 41 b. Grayling MI d. Anchorage AK
Anchorage Daily News, Anchorage AK 3 January 1998
- Joseph A. Austin** age 70 d. Milwaukee WI
Milwaukee Journal Sentinel, Milwaukee WI 4 January 1998
- Mary (Austin) Gepfert** age 89 b. PA d. Concord NH
Concord Monitor, Concord NH 4 January 1998
- Mary Caroline (Austin) Gepfert** b. PA d. New London NH
The Union Leader, Manchester NH 4 January 1998
- Charles L. Austin** age 58 d. Tampa FL
The Tampa Tribune, Tampa FL 5 January 1998
- Albert Austin** d. Richmond VA
Richmond Times-Dispatch, Richmond VA 6 January 1998
- Frances V. () Austin** age 97 b. Everett MA d. E Hartford CT
The Hartford Courant, Hartford CT 6 January 1998
- Sarah (McManus) Austin** age 79 d. Union SC
The State, Columbia SC 7 January 1998
- Roy Austin** age 88 b. Stamps AR d. Idabel OK
Texarkana Gazette, Texarkana TX 8 January 1998
- Roy Austin** age 88
The Daily Oklahoman, Oklahoma City OK 8 January 1998
- William N. Austin Jr.** age 51 d. Martinsburg WV
The Herald-Mail, Hagerstown MD 8 January 1998
- William N. Austin Jr.** age 51 d. Martinsburg WV
The Journal, Martinsburg WV 8 January 1998
- Emma M. (Korona) Austin** age 81 d. Monson MA
Springfield Union News, Springfield MA 9 January 1998
- Margaret Ann () Austin** age 40 d. Little Rock AR
Arkansas Democrat-Gazette, Little Rock AR 9 January 1998
- Phenecia F. Austin** age 14 d. Little Rock AR
Arkansas Democrat-Gazette, Little Rock AR 9 January 1998
- Robert S. Austin** age 86 d. Arkona ON
The London Free Press, London ON 10 January 1998
- Wendell G. Austin** age 71 d. Lee's Summit MO
The Kansas City Star, Kansas City MO 11 January 1998
- Wendell G. Austin** age 71 b. Salina KS d. Lee's Summit MO
The Topeka Capital-Journal, Topeka KS 12 January 1998
- Palmer James Austin** age 77 d. LA
Richland Beacon-News, Rayville LA 15 January 1998
- Ruth (Bansleben) Austin** age 71 d. Terryville CT
The Hartford Courant, Hartford CT 15 January 1998
- Willie L. Austin** d. Newark NJ
The Star-Ledger, Newark NJ 15 January 1998
- Myrl Onnitta Austin** age 82
The Daily Oklahoman, Oklahoma City OK 16 January 1998
- Steven Beason Austin** age 1 d. Knoxville TN
The Knoxville News-Sentinel, Knoxville TN 16 January 1998
- Constance R. (Roberts) Austin** age 57 d. Davenport IA
Quad-City Times, Davenport IA 18 January 1998
- Helen Neoma () Austin** age 92 d. Graham TX
The Lubbock Avalanche-Journal, Lubbock TX 18 January 1998
- Henry Rufus Austin** age 83 d. Carolina Beach NC
The News & Observer, Raleigh NC 18 January 1998
- Katie (Kidd) Austin** age 83 d. Farmville VA
Richmond Times-Dispatch, Richmond VA 19 January 1998
- Caroline () (Benvenuti) Austin** d. Oshawa ON
The Toronto Star, Toronto ON 20 January 1998
- Gordon K. Austin** age 57 d. Skowhegan ME
Morning Sentinel, Waterville ME 20 January 1998
- Comfort K. (Austin) (Slinkard) Copeland** age 85 d. Cape Girardeau MO
Southeast Missourian, Cape Girardeau MO 20 January 1998
- Caroline (Benvenuti) Austin** d. Oshawa ON
Oshawa This Week, Oshawa ON 21 January 1998
- George W. Austin** age 78 b. Columbiana AL d. Roseburg OR
The News-Review, Roseburg OR 21 January 1998
- Miss Jericha Rose Austin** age 6 b. Los Angeles CA d. Las Vegas NV
The Tribune, San Luis Obispo CA 21 January 1998
- Sandy Austin** age 33
The Macomb Daily, Mount Clemens MI 21 January 1998
- Helen M. (Austin) Freese** age 85 d. Goshen NY
The Times Herald-Record, Middletown, NY 22 January 1998
- Weltha (Osteen) Bevill** age 88 b. Baxley GA d. Lexington SC
The State, Columbia SC 23 January 1998
- David R. Austin** age 90 d. Toronto ON
The Toronto Star, Toronto ON 26 January 1998
- Rev. Dr. Samuel Austin**
The New York Times, New York NY 27 January 1998
- Rev. Samuel Austin** age 63 b. Montgomery AL d. Los Angeles CA
The Buffalo News, Buffalo NY +28 January 1998
- Anne (Unfus) Austin** d. Obi NY
Cuba Patriot and Free Press, Cuba NY 28 January 1998
- Roogene L. (Lowe) Austin** age 64 b. Giltner NE d. Goodland KS
Norfolk Daily News, Norfolk NE 28 January 1998
- Thelma J. "Tippy" (Austin) Grisham** age 88 d. Granite City IL
Belleville News Democrat, Belleville IL 28 January 1998
- F. Glenn Austin** age 73 d. Ottawa ON
The Daily Observer, Pembroke ON 30 January 1998
- Samuel Austin** age 62 d. Los Angeles CA
The New York Times, New York NY 30 January 1998
- Eula F. (Griner) (Osteen) Crow** age 75 b. Massey GA d. Titusville FL
Florida Today, Melbourne FL 30 January 1998
- Myron Russell Austin** age 42 d. San Luis Obispo CA
The Tribune, San Luis Obispo CA 31 January 1998
- Ellas R. Austin** age 86 d. Englewood CO
The Daily Nonpareil, Council Bluffs IA 3 February 1998
- Paul E. Austin** age 78 d. Waterbury VT
The World, Barre VT 4 February 1998
- Ella Mae () Austin** age 92
Anniston Star, Anniston AL 5 February 1998
- Lois () Austin** age 84 d. Chattanooga TN
Anniston Star, Anniston AL 6 February 1998
- Earl Dean Austin** age 94 d. Sugarland TX
Texarkana Gazette, Texarkana TX +7 February 1998
- Keith Ricky Austin** age 44 d. San Jose CA
The Mercury News, San Jose CA 8 February 1998
- Laseme (Xiomara) Austin** age 38 d. Tampa FL
The Tampa Tribune, Tampa FL 8 February 1998
- William Dale Austin** age 71 d. Loda IL
The Pantagraph, Bloomington IL 10 February 1998
- Helen May (Campbell) Austin** age 83 d. Grass Valley CA
The Union, Grass Valley CA 11 February 1998
- Winona Aileen Austin** age 74 d. Wilton Manors FL
Sun Journal, Lewiston ME 13 February 1998
- Winona A. Austin** age 74 b. Rumford ME d. Wilton Manors FL
Sun Sentinel, Fort Lauderdale FL 13 February 1998
- Dorothy Austin** age 71 d. Lake Charles LA
Lake Charles American Press, Lake Charles LA 14 February 1998
- Lula A. () Austin** age 96 b. La Fontaine IN d. Oklawaha FL
Ocala Star-Banner, Ocala FL 15 February 1998
- Stephen S. Austin** age 5 d. Milwaukee WI
Milwaukee Journal Sentinel, Milwaukee WI 16 February 1998
- Hilda () Austin** d. Barrie ON
The Toronto Star, Toronto ON 17 February 1998

- Beulah (Austin) Austin** age 51 d. Minneapolis MN
Aberdeen Examiner, Aberdeen MS 18 February 1998
- Dorothy (Cole) Austin** age 85 b. Philadelphia PA d. Pattersonville NY
The Times, Trenton NJ 18 February 1998
- Dorothy C. () Austin** age 85 d. Pattersonville NY
The Recorder, Amsterdam NY 19 February 1998
- Dorothy C. () Austin** age 85 d. Pattersonville NY
Tuckerton Beacon, Tuckerton NJ 5 March 1998
- Lattie A (Thomas) Austin** age 72 b. KY d. Des Moines IA
Des Moines Register, Des Moines IA 19 February 1998
- Ruby (Lynch) Austin** age 77 d. Burnsville MS
The Memphis Commercial Appeal, Memphis TN 20 February 1998
- Alma (Austin) Hall** age 82 d. W Hartford CT
The Hartford Courant, Hartford CT 23 February 1998
- Willie Lee "Cocky" Austin** d. Richmond VA
Richmond Times-Dispatch, Richmond VA 24 February 1998
- Hallie (Austin) Gilmer**
Monroe Evening News, Monroe MI 24 February 1998
- Helen E. (Stromberg) Ostin** age 74 b. Providence RI d. Baytown TX
Baytown Sun, Baytown TX 24 February 1998
- Verna Louise (Austin) VanSleet** age 49
The World, Barre VT 25 February 1998
- Annie Grace (Randall) Austin** age 80 d. Kansas City KS
The Kansas City Star, Kansas City MO 26 February 1998
- Joyce L. (Mitchell) Austin** age 68 b. Joliet IL d. Tucson AZ
Arizona Star, Tucson AZ 1 March 1998
- Tommie Lee Austin** d. St. Louis MO
St. Louis Post-Dispatch, St. Louis MO 1 March 1998
- Elie "Eli" Austin Sr.** age 83 b. Ackerman MS d. Waterloo IA
Waterloo-Cedar Falls Courier, Waterloo IA 1 March 1998
- Paul Loris Osteen Jr.** d. Fort Pierce FL
The Tribune, Fort Pierce FL 1 March 1998
- Paul Loris Osteen Jr.** age 71 d. Fort Pierce FL
Vero Beach Press Journal, Vero Beach FL 1 March 1998
- Dean William James Austin** age 26 d. Marton in New Zealand
Manawatu Standard, Palmerston, North Manawatu NZL +2 March 1998
- Joyce L. (Mitchell) Austin** age 68 b. Joliet IL d. Tucson AZ
Arizona Star, Tucson AZ +2 March 1998
- Jane (Austin) Brown** age 67 b. Mount Vernon NY d. Hartford CT
The Hartford Courant, Hartford CT 3 March 1998
- Janet (Coons) Austin** age 53 d. Marble Dale CT
The News-Times, Danbury CT 4 March 1998
- Willard E. Austin** age 75 b. McLain County KY d. Cape Girardeau MO
Southeast Missourian, Cape Girardeau MO 5 March 1998
- Ema Lu (Austin) Domstead** age 62 b. Muddy IL d. Phoenix AZ
Arizona Republic, Phoenix AZ 5 March 1998
- Elizabeth S. Austin** age 75 b. Kingston NY d. New Port Richey FL
The Tampa Tribune, Tampa FL 8 March 1998
- William J. Austin Sr.** age 45
Akron Beacon Journal, Akron OH 9 March 1998
- Jonathan "Wade" Austin** age 41 d. Nashville TN
The Tennessean, Nashville TN 10 March 1998
- Frankie (Carney) Austin** age 83 d. Killen AL
The Times-Daily, Florence AL 19 March 1998
- Elizabeth S. (Jack) Austin** b. West Babylon NY d. New Port Richey FL
Newsday (Nassau County Edition), Long Island NY +22 March 1998
- Atta Fay () Austin** age 104
Omaha World-Herald, Omaha NE 26 March 1998
- Mary H. (Gordon) Austin** age 59 d. Wamego KS
The Topeka Capital-Journal, Topeka KS 26 March 1998
- Mattie B. (Williams) (Burton) Austin** age 64 b. Boligee AL d. Monroe MI
Monroe Evening News, Monroe MI 26 March 1998
- Atta Fay () Austin** age 104
Omaha World-Herald, Omaha NE +27 March 1998
- Molly Ann Austin** age 26 d. Kenner LA
The Times-Picayune, New Orleans LA +27 March 1998
- James B. Austin** age 72 d. Texarkana TX
Texarkana Gazette, Texarkana TX 28 March 1998
- Margaret A. (Thompson) Austin** age 85 d. Whitehall WI
Eau Claire Leader-Telegram, Eau Claire WI 28 March 1998
- Margaret A. (Thompson) Austin** age 85 d. Whitehall WI
La Crosse Tribune, La Crosse WI 28 March 1998
- Margaret A. (Thompson) Austin** age 85 d. Whitehall WI
Winona Daily News, Winona MN 28 March 1998
- Clifford "Marked Tree" Taylor Austin** 87 b. Keiser AR d. Cordova AL
The Jonesboro Sun, Jonesboro AR 31 March 1998
- Leroy Austin** age 85 b. Bastrope LA d. San Francisco CA
Contra Costa Times, Contra Costa County CA 31 March 1998
- Leroy Austin** age 85 b. Bastrope LA d. San Francisco CA
West County Times, Walnut Creek, CA 31 March 1998
- Elsie Anne (Vanek) Auston** age 83 d. Vernon TX
Wichita Falls Times Record News, Wichita Falls TX 31 March 1998
- Florence Zena (Hullah) Austen** age 82 d. Oshawa ON
Oshawa This Week, Oshawa ON 1 April 1998
- Florence Zena (Hullah) Austen** age 81 d. Oshawa ON
The Toronto Star, Toronto ON 1 April 1998
- Elizabeth (Boyd) Austin** age 78 d. Erie PA
The Erie Times News, Erie PA 1 April 1998
- James Austin** age 72 d. Texarkana TX
Texarkana Gazette, Texarkana TX 1 April 1998
- Joan (Watts) Austin** age 72 b. London ENG d. Glen Burnie MD
Maryland Gazette, Annapolis MD 1 April 1998
- Cecile (McCallister) Austin** age 70 d. Timmonsville SC
The State, Columbia SC 2 April 1998
- Marcile (Brazil) Austin** age 67 d. Rock Hill SC
The State, Columbia SC 2 April 1998
- Willie Pearl (Austin) Guntharp** age 85 d. Pocahontas AR
The Jonesboro Sun, Jonesboro AR 2 April 1998
- Justin Robert Austin** age 6 d. Grubville MO
St. Louis Post-Dispatch, St. Louis MO 3 April 1998
- Wes Berry Austin** age 32 d. Amarillo TX
Amarillo Globe-News, Amarillo TX 3 April 1998
- Beulah (Jones) Austin** age 93 d. New Roads LA
The Times-Picayune, New Orleans LA 4 April 1998
- Beatrice Mary () Austin** age 97 d. Edmonton AB
The Edmonton Journal, Edmonton AB 5 April 1998
- Thel V. (Whatley) Austin** age 89 d. Bruce Twp MI
The Macomb Daily, Mount Clemens MI 5 April 1998
- Tiney Austin** age 88 b. Louisville MS d. Waterloo IA
Waterloo-Cedar Falls Courier, Waterloo IA +5 April 1998
- Virgil E. Austin** age 74 d. Willard MO
Springfield News-Leader, Springfield MO +5 April 1998
- Nina (Flud) Austin** age 76 b. Eufaula OK d. Walnut Creek CA
Contra Costa Times, Contra Costa County CA 6 April 1998
- Ralph E. Austin** age 67 d. Torrance CA
The Daily Breeze, Torrance CA +6 April 1998
- Mamie (McElroy) Austin** age 83 d. Hawthorne CA
Texarkana Gazette, Texarkana TX +7 April 1998
- Thelma Jean (Austin) Eller** age 95 b. Loveland OH d. Clermont FL
Leesburg Daily Commercial, Leesburg FL 8 April 1998
- Stuart O'Neil Austin** age 74 b. St. Regis Falls NY d. Medford OR
The Mail Tribune, Medford OR 9 April 1998
- Betty F. (Brown) Austin** age 67 d. Clovis NM
Amarillo Globe-News, Amarillo TX 10 April 1998
- Barbara Elizabeth (Austin) Capstick** age 88 d. Amherst NS
The Chronicle-Herald, Halifax NS 10 April 1998
- James E. Austin** d. Elkridge MD
The Washington Post, Washington DC 12 April 1998
- Gladys (Wilson) Austin** age 78 d. Cedar Grove WV
Charleston Daily Mail, Charleston WV 13 April 1998
- Ronald R. Austin** age 64 d. Upper Marlboro MD
The Washington Post, Washington DC +14 April 1998
- Ted Tay Austin** age 52 d. Savannah TN
The Times-Daily, Florence AL 14 April 1998
- Pearline () Austin** age 84 d. Bryan TX
Abilene Reporter-News, Abilene TX 15 April 1998
- Pearline () Austin** age 84 d. Bryan-College Station TX
Bryan-College Station Eagle, Bryan-College Station TX +16 April 1998
- Patricia Ann (Allen) Austin** age 63 b. Portland OR d. San Jose CA
The Mercury News, San Jose CA +16 April 1998
- Sandra Austin** age 50 d. New Orleans LA
The Times-Picayune, New Orleans LA 16 April 1998
- Cora (Auston) Moore** d. Chattanooga TN
Chattanooga Free Press, Chattanooga TN 16 April 1998

- Vicky Lee Austin** age 30 d. Hickory MD
The Herald-Mail, Hagerstown MD 17 April 1998
- Eva R (Shaheen) Austin** age 96 d. Lawrence MA
Eagle Tribune, Lawrence MA 18 April 1998
- Frederick F "Fritz" Austin** age 78 d. Saegertown PA
The Meadville Tribune, Meadville PA 18 April 1998
- William Arch Austin** age 92 d. Beaumont PA
The Citizen's Voice, Wilkes-Barre PA 18 April 1998
- Bonnie Jean Austin** age 62 d. Everett WA
The Herald, Everett WA 21 April 1998
- Emma J. Austin** age 88 d. Windsor MO
The Kansas City Star, Kansas City MO 21 April 1998
- Mabel (King) Austin** age 67 d. Leighton AL
The Times-Daily, Florence AL 21 April 1998
- Mildred (Chandler) Austin** age 71 d. Salt Lake City UT
The Deseret News, Salt Lake City UT 21 April 1998
- Harry W. Astin** age 87 d. Mays Landing NJ
The Press of Atlantic City, Atlantic City NJ 22 April 1998
- Allan A. Austin** age 71 d. Tampa FL
The Tampa Tribune, Tampa FL 22 April 1998
- Harry W. Astin** age 87 d. Mays Landing NJ
The Press of Atlantic City, Atlantic City NJ 23 April 1998
- Charles Austin** age 84 d. Versailles KY
Bowling Green Sentinel-Tribune, Bowling Green OH 23 April 1998
- Charles "Chuck" Austin** age 84 b. Luckey OH d. Versailles KY
The Blade, Toledo OH 24 April 1998
- Rubye Austin** age 91 d. Gallatin TN
The Tennessean, Nashville TN 24 April 1998
- Annie Lee (Bull) Austin** d. Columbia SC
The State, Columbia SC 26 April 1998
- Daniel J. Austin** age 71 d. Riverside CA
The Press-Enterprise, Riverside CA 29 April 1998
- Shirley A. (Sedor) Austin** age 45 d. Erie PA
The Erie Times News, Erie PA 1 May 1998
- Ozell () Austin** age 86 d. Athens AL
The Huntsville Times, Huntsville AL 2 May 1998
- Earl I. Austin Sr.** age 70 d. Milwaukee WI
Milwaukee Journal Sentinel, Milwaukee WI 2 May 1998
- Bernice L. () Austin** age 94 d. Milwaukee WI
Milwaukee Journal Sentinel, Milwaukee WI 3 May 1998
- Jeanne (Farmer) Austin** age 63 b. KY d. Westland MI
Detroit Free Press, Detroit MI 6 May 1998
- Miss Bessie Ann Austin** age 90 d. Waterloo IA
Waterloo-Cedar Falls Courier, Waterloo IA +7 May 1998
- Myrtle G. (Buffon) Austin** age 92 d. Cottonwood Falls KS
The Topeka Capital-Journal, Topeka KS 8 May 1998
- Florence Ann (Budd) Austin** age 78 d. Salt Lake City UT
The Deseret News, Salt Lake City UT 9 May 1998
- Florence Ann (Budd) Austin** age 78 d. Salt Lake City UT
The Salt Lake Tribune, Salt Lake City UT 9 May 1998
- Edward Austin** age 64 d. St. Petersburg FL
St. Petersburg Times, St. Petersburg FL 11 May 1998
- Chesley Thomas Austin Sr.** age 80 d. Harkers Island NC
Winston-Salem Journal, Winston-Salem NC 11 May 1998
- Maurice Ophelia Austin** age 75 d. Madison TN
The Tennessean, Nashville TN 12 May 1998
- Judith A. (McDaniel) Austin** age 54 d. Wooster OH
The Daily Record, Wooster OH 13 May 1998
- Philip Austin** age 55 d. Linwood NJ
The Press of Atlantic City, Atlantic City NJ 13 May 1998
- Allen Everett Austin** age 76 b. NY d. Las Vegas NV
Las Vegas Review-Journal, Las Vegas NV 15 May 1998
- William R. Austin Sr.** d. Forty Fort PA
The Citizen's Voice, Wilkes-Barre PA 16 May 1998
- David Van Austin** age 33 b. Melbourne FL d. Fort Worth TX
Fort Worth Star Telegram, Fort Worth TX 17 May 1998
- Nancy Ann (Lebarr) Austin**
The Washington Post, Washington DC 17 May 1998
- Sandra (Cowan) Austin** age 56 d. Carthage TN
The Tennessean, Nashville TN 17 May 1998
- Edith Austin** age 86 d. Sheffield AL
The Times-Daily, Florence AL 20 May 1998
- Elizabeth Austin** age 69 b. High Point NC d. Hartford CT
The Hartford Courant, Hartford CT 21 May 1998
- Carl F. Osten Jr.** age 70 d. Holland OH
The Blade, Toledo OH +25 May 1998
- Louise (Austin) Arceneaux** age 97 b. Alamo TN d. New Orleans LA
The Times-Picayune, New Orleans LA 27 May 1998
- Helen () Austin** age 84 d. Penn Hills PA
Penn Hills Progress Star, Penn Hills PA 27 May 1998
- Patricia A (Collins) Austin** age 65 b. NH d. Palmer MA
Springfield Sunday Republican, Springfield MA 31 May 1998
- Kenneth Wesley "Wes" Austin Jr.** age 42 d. Nashville TN
The Tennessean, Nashville TN 31 May 1998
- Carl Austin** d. Farmington Hills MI
The Detroit News, Detroit MI 2 June 1998
- Deborah (Austin) Duplantis** age 74 d. New Orleans LA
The Times-Picayune, New Orleans LA 2 June 1998
- Raymond A. Austin** age 75 d. Lower Websterville VT
The World, Barre VT 3 June 1998
- Violet Winifred (Austin) Ayres** age 80 b. Grace? MT d. Medford OR
The Mail Tribune, Medford OR 7 June 1998
- Harlow Henry Austin** age 81 b. New Berlin NY d. Dunnellon FL
Ocala Star-Banner, Ocala FL 9 June 1998
- Margorie (Smith) Austin** age 85 d. Cheraw SC
The State, Columbia SC 9 June 1998
- Judith Mary (Allan) Austin** age 49 d. London ON
The London Free Press, London ON 10 June 1998
- Elmer Richard Austin** d. Kingston ON
The Kingston Whig-Standard, Kingston ON 13 June 1998
- Gus R. Austin**
Los Angeles Times, Los Angeles CA +13 June 1998
- Charles M. Austin** d. Saugus MA
The Boston Globe, Boston MA 14 June 1998
- Mary E. (Shea) Austin** d. Chicopee MA
Springfield Union News, Springfield MA 17 June 1998
- Rosemary L. (Astin) Goetz** age 72 d. Milwaukee WI
Milwaukee Journal Sentinel, Milwaukee WI 17 June 1998
- Capt. Robert E. Austin** age 77 b. Jacksonville IL d. La Jolla CA
San Diego Union-Tribune, San Diego CA 19 June 1998
- Marquita M (Martinez) Austin** age 52 d. CA
The Oakland Tribune, Oakland CA 21 June 1998
- Mamie Martha (Payne) Austin** age 71 b. Des Moines IA d. Lawrence KS
The Topeka Capital-Journal, Topeka KS 23 June 1998
- Mary Emily (Efird) (Skimp) Austin** age 74 d. Albemarle NC
High Point Enterprise, High Point NC 23 June 1998
- Evelyn S. (Shaw) Austin** age 81 d. Barryville NY
The Times Herald-Record, Middletown, NY 24 June 1998
- Mary (Austin) Cannon** d. Brentwood TN
The Tennessean, Nashville TN 26 June 1998
- J. Allen Austin Jr.** d. High Point NC
High Point Enterprise, High Point NC 27 June 1998
- Ruby (Austin) (Broadnax) Barksdale** d. Reidsville NC
Winston-Salem Journal, Winston-Salem NC 27 June 1998
- Edmonia (Hill) Austin**
The Washington Post, Washington DC 28 June 1998
- Charles Augustus Austin Jr.** age 77 d. Burleson TX
Cleburne Times-Review, Cleburne TX 28 June 1998
- Roy Woodrow Austin** age 84 d. Calgary AB
The Edmonton Journal, Edmonton AB 30 June 1998
- Ewell C. Austin** age 82 d. Elizabethtown IL
The Daily Register, Harrisburg IL 2 July 1998
- Mabel J. (Austin) Crandall** age 66 d. Provo UT
The Deseret News, Salt Lake City UT 2 July 1998
- Mabel J. (Austin) Crandall** age 66 b. Milliken MI d. Provo UT
The Salt Lake Tribune, Salt Lake City UT 2 July 1998
- Randolph Knowlton** Austin b. Beach ND d. Chippewa Falls WI
Eau Claire Leader-Telegram, Eau Claire WI 6 July 1998
- Vivien S. Austin** age 88 d. Chattanooga TN
Chattanooga Free Press, Chattanooga TN 6 July 1998
- Willis V. Austin Jr.** age 82 b. Greenville SC d. Fort Lauderdale FL
The Capital, Annapolis MD 6 July 1998
- Donald R. Austin** age 86 d. Battle Creek MI
Battle Creek Enquirer, Battle Creek MI 7 July 1998

- Royal "C." Austin** age 89 d. Preston ID
Idaho State Journal, Pocatello ID +8 July 1998
- Harold L. Austin** age 77 d. Rocky Hill CT
The Hartford Courant, Hartford CT 10 July 1998
- Leonard D. Austin** age 84 d. Williamsburg MA
Springfield Union News, Springfield MA 10 July 1998
- William "Pappy" Austin** age 88 b. Dale Co AL d. Titusville FL
Orlando Sentinel, Orlando FL 10 July 1998
- Vivian S. Austin** age 88 d. Chattanooga TN
Chattanooga Free Press, Chattanooga TN 11 July 1998
- Zola Willoughby () Austin** age 79 d. Springfield MO
Springfield News-Leader, Springfield MO 11 July 1998
- Agnes R. (Austin) Bredeesen** age 87 b. McCook NE d. Joliet IL
The Herald News, Joliet IL +12 July 1998
- Myrtle (Austin) Doby** age 83 d. Albermarle NC
Charlotte Observer, Charlotte NC 13 July 1998
- Eleanor (Austin) Habitzruther** d. Buffalo NY
The Buffalo News, Buffalo NY 15 July 1998
- Emma Helen (Sullivan) Austin** age 88 b. London ENG d. Toronto ON
The Globe and Mail, Toronto ON 16 July 1998
- George Thomas Austin** age 90 d. Richmond VA
Richmond Times-Dispatch, Richmond VA 17 July 1998
- Christine Martha (Jordan) Austin** age 76 d. OR
The Oregonian, Portland OR 19 July 1998
- Clarence Austin** age 98 d. Gridley CA
Chico Enterprise Record, Chico CA 21 July 1998
- Florence (Sears) Austin** age 86 b. Farmington UT d. Preston ID
Idaho State Journal, Pocatello ID 21 July 1998
- Lois Marie (Wages) Austin** age 65 d. Rogers AR
The Morning News, Sprindale AR 21 July 1998
- Miss Kathleen "Kay" Austin** age 96 d. Brantford ON
The London Free Press, London ON 21 July 1998
- Neal Adrian Austin** age 67 b. Hibbing MN d. Bountiful UT
The Salt Lake Tribune, Salt Lake City UT 22 July 1998
- LaReta (Clayton) (Austin) Clark** age 96 d. Bountiful UT
Idaho State Journal, Pocatello ID 22 July 1998
- Lena Mae (Austin) Spence** age 99 b. White Co. IL d. Ballwin MO
The Daily Register, Harrisburg IL 24 July 1998
- Alvin Lewis Austin** age 82 d. Dunlap TN
Chattanooga Free Press, Chattanooga TN 25 July 1998
- Phebe L. (Benoit) Austin** age 75 d. Tracadie NB
L'Acadie Nouvelle, Moncton NB 27 July 1998
- Charles W. Austin** age 75 b. Keota OK d. Sacramento CA
The Sacramento Bee, Sacramento CA 28 July 1998
- James R. Austin** age 83 b. Kosciusko MS d. Fort Wayne IN
The Tampa Tribune, Tampa FL 28 July 1998
- James R. Austin** age 83 b. Kosciusko MS d. Fort Wayne IN
Leesburg Daily Commercial, Leesburg FL 30 July 1998
- Kerry Kenneth Austin** age 47 b. Brigham City UT d. Idaho Falls ID
Idaho State Journal, Pocatello ID +29 July 1998
- Kerry Kenneth Austin** age 47 b. Brigham City UT d. Idaho Falls ID
The Salt Lake Tribune, Salt Lake City UT 31 July 1998
- Irene (Austin) Adamson** age 84 d. Logan IA
The Dunlap Reporter, Dunlap IA 30 July 1998
- Lois Marie (Wages) Austin** age 65 d. Rogers AR
The Madison County Record, Huntsville AR 30 July 1998
- Catherine Faye () Austin** age 52 d. Beaumont TX
Houston Chronicle, Houston TX 31 July 1998
- Jessie Austin** age 79 d. Irving TX
Pensacola News Journal, Pensacola FL 2 August 1998
- Emmett V. Austen** age 80 d. Wooster OH
The Daily Record, Wooster OH +5 August 1998
- Marthenya (Barnett) Austin** age 71 d. Waterloo IA
Waterloo-Cedar Falls Courier, Waterloo IA +6 August 1998
- Mattie Gail (Smith) Austin** age 44 d. Pensacola FL
Pensacola News Journal, Pensacola FL +6 August 1998
- Alicia Deanne (Austin) Garrell** age 37 d. Dover Centre ON
The London Free Press, London ON 6 August 1998
- Curwin Alan Austin** age 63 d. Huntington WV
The Herald Dispatch, Huntington WV 7 August 1998
- Stanley S. Austin** age 83 d. Bridgton MA
The Trentonian, Trenton NJ 7 August 1998
- Wanda Sue (Dobbins) Austin** age 55 d. Chattanooga TN
Chattanooga Free Press, Chattanooga TN 8 August 1998
- Peggy Anne (Weeks) Austin** age 55 d. Santa Rosa CA
The Press Democrat, Santa Rosa CA 9 August 1998
- Randall Odell Austin** age 21 d. Bucyrus MO
Springfield News-Leader, Springfield MO +9 August 1998
- Wilda G. 'Jerry' (Austin) Cohoon** 71 b. Cave Springs AR Oklahoma City OK
Sunday Oklahoman, Oklahoma City 9 August 1998
- Curwin Alan Austin** age 63 d. Huntington WV
The Herald Dispatch, Huntington WV 11 August 1998
- Mildred H. Austin** age 93 d. Fort Atkinson WI
Daily Jefferson Union, Jefferson WI 11 August 1998
- Mildred H. Austin** age 93 d. Fort Atkinson WI
The Janesville Gazette, Janesville WI 11 August 1998
- Pauline C. Austin** age 89 d. Beloit WI
The Janesville Gazette, Janesville WI 11 August 1998
- Lyman H. Austin** age 82 b. Gainesville FL d. Golconda IL
The High Springs Herald, High Springs FL 13 August 1998
- Mattie Austin** age 95 d. Las Vegas NV
Las Vegas Sun, Las Vegas NV 13 August 1998
- Mattie Taub Austin** age 95 b. Titus County TX d. Las Vegas NV
Las Vegas Review-Journal, Las Vegas NV 13 August 1998
- Charlotte M. (Pratt) Osten** age 56 d. Milwaukee WI
Milwaukee Journal Sentinel, Milwaukee WI 13 August 1998
- Ruby Pearl (Osteen) Pendarvis** age 75 d. Old Town FL
Gilchrist County Journal, Gilchrist County FL 13 August 1998
- Norma (Austin) Crawford** age 80 b. Jersey City NJ d. Tampa FL
The Tampa Tribune, Tampa FL 14 August 1998
- Sandra Gayle Austin** age 40 d. Old Hickory TN
The Tennessean, Nashville TN 17 August 1998
- Ann (Costello) Austin** d. Belchertown MA
Springfield Union-News, Springfield MA 18 August 1998
- Jean Gray (Kemp) Austin** age 67 d. Mayfield KY
The Paducah Sun, Paducah KY +18 August 1998
- Paul Austin** age 52 d. Rome GA
Atlanta Journal-Constitution, Atlanta GA 18 August 1998
- William W. Austin** age 81 b. Warren OH d. Tampa FL
The Tampa Tribune, Tampa FL 19 August 1998
- Wayne W. Austin** age 93 b. Osborne KS d. Turlock CA
Contra Costa Times, Contra Costa County CA 20 August 1998
- Eldridge Allen "Shorty" Austin Sr.** age 89 d. Savannah TN
The Times-Daily, Florence AL 20 August 1998
- Geneva (Austin) Adams** age 91 b. White Gate VA d. Huntington WV
The Herald Dispatch, Huntington WV 21 August 1998
- Millard E. "Gene" Austin** age 80 d. Arcade NY
The Buffalo News, Buffalo NY 22 August 1998
- Mabel Cowles (Bascom) Austin** 85 b. Fort Edward NY d. Davenport FL
The Ledger, Lakeland FL 23 August 1998
- Richard Earl Austin Jr.** age 35 d. San Francisco CA
San Francisco Examiner, San Francisco CA 23 August 1998
- Richard Earl Austin Jr.** age 35 d. San Francisco CA
The Seattle Times, Seattle WA 25 August 1998
- Truett Austin** age 81 d. Lubbock TX
Abilene Reporter-News, Abilene TX 25 August 1998
- Pasco R. Austin Sr.** age 73 b. East Fairfield VT d. Winter Haven FL
The Ledger, Lakeland FL 26 August 1998
- Warren Hedley Austin** age 39 d. Victoria BC
The Times Colonist, Victoria BC +27 August 1998
- Leo W. Austin** age 90 d. Ayer MA
The Telegraph, Nashua NH 28 August 1998
- Colonel John Ross Austin** d. Nepean ON
The Ottawa Citizen, Ottawa ON +29 August 1998
- James Richard Austin** age 62 d. Trenton NJ
The Trentonian, Trenton NJ 31 August 1998
- William L. Austin** age 83 d. San Antonio TX
San Antonio Express-News, San Antonio TX 1 September 1998
- Angel Leigh Austin** d. Reston VA
Loudoun Times-Mirror, Loudoun County VA 2 September 1998
- Jean I. Austin**
Los Angeles Times, Los Angeles CA 2 September 1998
- Mabel Austin** age 74 d. Ross OH
The Journal-News, Hamilton OH 2 September 1998

- Edith (Hammond) (Moran) Austin** age 77 d. Mesa AZ
Arizona Republic, Phoenix AZ 3 September 1998
- Edith (Hamond) Austin** age 77 b. St. Louis MO d. Mesa AZ
The Mesa Tribune, Mesa AZ 3 September 1998
- Emmaline "Bird" (White) Austin** age 94 d. Columbia SC
The State, Columbia SC 3 September 1998
- Gracie J. Austin** d. Newark NJ
The Star-Ledger, Newark NJ 3 September 1998
- Lawrence Wayne Austin** age 75 d. Banning CA
The Gratiot County Herald, Ithaca MI 3 September 1998
- Alva (Coward) Austin** age 79 d. Harriman TN
The Knoxville News-Sentinel, Knoxville TN 4 September 1998
- Genevieve (Hunt) Austin** age 90 d. Nashua NH
The Telegraph, Nashua NH 4 September 1998
- Miss LaSandra Faye Austin** d. Jacksonville FL
The Florida Times-Union, Jacksonville FL 4 September 1998
- Ralph Waldo Austin** age 86 d. Moose Jaw SK CAN
Regina Leader Post, Regina SK 4 September 1998
- Gertrude M. (Dutmers) Austin** age 87 d. Grand Rapids MI
Grand Rapids Press, Grand Rapids MI 6 September 1998
- Glen N. Austin** age 80 d. Bentonville AR
The Morning News, Springdale AR 6 September 1998
- Shirley LaDon (Pruitt) Austin** age 63 d. Shreveport LA
Texarkana Gazette, Texarkana TX 6 September 1998
- James Ron Austin Sr.** d. Glen Burnie MD
The Baltimore Sun, Baltimore MD 6 September 1998
- Betty L. Austin** age 56 d. Sharon PA
The Herald, Sharon PA 7 September 1998
- Deloris Austin** d. Spartanburg SC
Herald-Journal, Spartanburg SC 7 September 1998
- Opal G. Austin** age 89 d. Clinton MO
The Kansas City Star, Kansas City MO 7 September 1998
- Betty L. (Claiborne) Austin** age 58 d. Sharon PA
The Herald, Sharon PA 8 September 1998
- Charles E. Austin** age 67 d. Springdale AR
The Morning News, Springdale AR 8 September 1998
- Susan Flagg () Austin** age 49 d. New Castle VA
The Roanoke Times & World News, Roanoke VA 8 September 1998
- Faye (Beville) Austin** age 48 b. Melrose MA d. Webster TX
Houston Chronicle, Houston TX 9 September 1998
- Faye (Beville) Austin** age 48 b. Melrose MA d. Webster TX
Lowell Sun, Lowell MA 9 September 1998
- Mary (Parker) Austin** age 73 d. Mount Vernon MO
Springfield News-Leader, Springfield MO 9 September 1998
- Tennessee B. (Barnett) (Shapard) (Mitchell) Austin** 89 d. Grand Junc CO
The Daily Sentinel, Grand Junction CO 9 September 1998
- Joseph Vincent Austin** age 94 d. Floral Park NY
Newsday (Nassau County Edition), Long Island NY 10 September 1998
- Mary (Parker) Austin** age 73 d. Mount Vernon MO
Springfield News-Leader, Springfield MO 12 September 1998
- Lottie Mae (Sanders) Austin** age 89 d. Union SC
Herald-Journal, Spartanburg SC 13 September 1998
- Lottie Mae (Sanders) Austin** age 89 d. Union SC
The State, Columbia SC 13 September 1998
- Bettie M. (Austin) Glenn** age 76 d. Portage MI
Kalamazoo Gazette, Kalamazoo MI 13 September 1998
- Robert Cobb Astin** age 90 d. St. Simons Island GA
Atlanta Journal-Constitution, Atlanta GA 15 September 1998
- Robert Cobb Astin** d. Savannah GA
Savannah Morning News, Savannah GA 15 September 1998
- J. Harold "Joe" Austin** age 49 d. Tupelo MS
Jackson Clarion-Ledger, Jackson MS 15 September 1998
- Bessie (Travis) Austin** age 104 d. Mayfield KY
The Paducah Sun, Paducah KY 16 September 1998
- Wayland F. Austin** age 74 d. Waterbury Center VT
The World, Barre VT 16 September 1998
- Anthony D. "Tony" Austin** age 61 d. Edgewater CO
Denver Rocky Mountain News, Denver CO 17 September 1998
- Johnny Daniel Austin** age 55 d. Sumter SC
The State, Columbia SC 17 September 1998
- Howard L. Austin** d. Goochland VA
Richmond Times-Dispatch, Richmond VA 19 September 1998
- Bobby Ray Austin** d. TX
Houston Chronicle, Houston TX 24 September 1998
- John T. Austin** d. TX
Houston Chronicle, Houston TX 24 September 1998
- Mary E. (Austin) Giese** age 89 d. St. Paul MN
Pioneer Press, St. Paul MN 24 September 1998
- Arthur G. Austin** age 73 d. Bethlehem PA
The Herald, Sharon PA 26 September 1998
- Lina (Austin) Barnes** age 72 d. Sidney NY
The Daily Star, Oneonta NY 26 September 1998
- Diane Austin** d. Greenville SC
Herald-Journal, Spartanburg SC 27 September 1998
- Adell W. Austin** age 86 d. Winder GA
Atlanta Journal-Constitution, Atlanta GA 29 September 1998
- Clemmie () Austin** age 73
Texarkana Gazette, Texarkana TX 29 September 1998
- Linda M. (Ermels) Austin** age 52 d. Omaha NE
Omaha World-Herald, Omaha NE +29 September 1998
- Diane (Lynch) Austin** age 47 d. Greenville SC
Herald-Journal, Spartanburg SC 30 September 1998
- George Fredrick Austin** age 66 b. Hawley PA d. Eureka MT
The Scranton Times, Scranton PA 1 October 1998
- Thelma E (Austin) Abbey** d. Batavia NY
The Buffalo News, Buffalo NY 3 October 1998
- Patricia Ann Austin** age 78 d. Coeur d'Alene ID
The Spokesman-Review, Spokane WA 3 October 1998
- Harold R. "Bob" Austin** age 70 d. Somerset MA
The Providence Journal, Providence RI 4 October 1998
- Harold R. "Bob" Austin** age 70 d. Somerset MA
The Standard-Times, New Bedford MA 4 October 1998
- Kenneth Austin** age 82 d. Des Moines IA
Des Moines Register, Des Moines IA 4 October 1998
- W. R. "Bill" Austin** age 74 b. Kinder LA d. Moraga CA
Contra Costa Times, Contra Costa County CA 4 October 1998
- Harry Nelson Austin** age 73 d. Thunder Bay ON
Chronicle Journal, Thunder Bay ON 5 October 1998
- Ila Laws (Greene) Austin** age 79 d. Thomasville NC
High Point Enterprise, High Point NC 6 October 1998
- Irene (Piva) Austin** age 83 d. RI d. Santa Clara CA
Los Altos Town Crier, Los Altos CA 7 October 1998
- Joseph Austin** age 94 d. Bayside NY
Newsday (Nassau County Edition), Long Island NY 7 October 1998
- Amelia M. () Osteen** age 68 b. Gainesville FL d. Altamonte TN
Gilchrist County Journal, Gilchrist County FL 8 October 1998
- Edith Rhodes Austin** age 85 d. Middletown OH
Journal News, Hamilton OH 9 October 1998
- Margaret S. Austin** age 99 d. Honolulu HI
Honolulu Star Bulletin, Honolulu HI 10 October 1998
- Carolyn (Briggs) Osteen** age 86 d. Sumter SC
The State, Columbia SC 10 October 1998
- Margaret Scott Austin** d. HI
Honolulu Advertiser, Honolulu HI +11 October 1998
- Harold D. Austin** age 76 d. Plattsmouth NE
Omaha World-Herald, Omaha NE 12 October 1998
- Hilda B. (Busemeyer) Austing** age 63
The Cincinnati Post / Enquirer, Cincinnati OH 12 October 1998
- Alexander Lee Austin** age 19 d. Church Rd VA
Richmond Times-Dispatch, Richmond VA 13 October 1998
- Jesse L. Austin** age 78 b. Gainesville TX d. Santa Clara CA
The Mercury News, San Jose CA 13 October 1998
- Melda (Austin) Conrad** age 66 d. Chester SC
The State, Columbia SC 13 October 1998
- Arlene Lois (Young) Austin** age 73 d. TX
Houston Chronicle, Houston TX 14 October 1998
- Betty Ruth Austin** age 66 d. Tucker GA
Atlanta Journal-Constitution, Atlanta GA +14 October 1998
- Charlie Austin** d. Irvington NJ
The Star-Ledger, Newark NJ 15 October 1998
- Mary Jane (Hess) Austin** age 88 b. Harrisburg IL d. Sun City AZ
The Daily Register, Harrisburg IL 15 October 1998
- Ruth G. (Green) Austin** age 104 b. MS d. Bloomfield NJ
The Star-Ledger, Newark NJ +15 October 1998

- Terrie Faith Austin** age 18 d. Memphis TN
The Savannah Courier, Savannah TN 15 October 1998
- Adele (Austin) Argetsinger** age 77 b. Superior WI d. Hastings MI
Battle Creek Enquirer, Battle Creek MI 19 October 1998
- Adele H. (Austin) Argetsinger** age 77 d. Hastings MI
The Hastings Banner, Hastings MI 22 October 1998
- Harold D. Austin** age 80 b. Mitchell SD d. Hastings NE
The Hastings Tribune, Hastings NE +21 October 1998
- J. Dean Austin** age 73 d. Lancaster PA
Intelligencer Journal, Lancaster PA 21 October 1998
- J. Dean Austin** age 73 d. Lancaster PA
Johnstown Tribune-Democrat, Johnstown PA 21 October 1998
- J. Dean Austin** age 73 d. Lancaster PA
Lancaster New Era, Lancaster PA 21 October 1998
- Marvin Ralph Austin** age 59 d. Perdido FL
Leesburg Daily Commercial, Leesburg FL 21 October 1998
- Marvin Ralph Austin** age 59 d. WA d. Pensacola FL
Pensacola News Journal, Pensacola FL 21 October 1998
- Thelma (Davis) Austin** age 91 d. Rochester MN
Austin Daily Herald, Austin MN +21 October 1998
- Robert James Austin Sr.** age 69 d. Grand Junction CO
The Daily Sentinel, Grand Junction CO +23 October 1998
- Robert James Austin Sr.** age 69 d. Fruita CO
Fruita Times, Fruita CO 28 October 1998
- Ruby () Austin** age 72 d. Springfield MO
Springfield News-Leader, Springfield MO 23 October 1998
- Elizabeth "Bessie" (Austin) Carey** age 87 d. Gallatin TN
The Tennessean, Nashville TN 23 October 1998
- James A. Austin**
The Washington Post, Washington DC 25 October 1998
- Ruby (Young) Austin** age 72 d. Springfield MO
Springfield News-Leader, Springfield MO 25 October 1998
- Annie Gladys (Osteen) Wallace** age 98 d. Shelbyville TN
The Tennessean, Nashville TN 25 October 1998
- Thomas Wallace Austin** age 86 d. Union SC
Herald-Journal, Spartanburg SC 27 October 1998
- Dean (Waggoner) Austin** age 75 d. Hattiesburg MS
Jackson Clarion-Ledger, Jackson MS 28 October 1998
- Doris (Newton) (Harper) Austin** age 69 d. Toledo OH
The Blade, Toledo OH 28 October 1998
- Eugene Austin** age 61 d. Lincoln County OR
News-Times, Newport OR 28 October 1998
- Mary (Bass) Osteen** age 75 d. Cross City FL
Gilchrist County Journal, Gilchrist County FL 29 October 1998
- Margaret S. () Austin** age 99 d. Honolulu HI
Honolulu Star Bulletin, Honolulu HI 30 October 1998
- Georgia F. (McLaughlin) Astin** age 56 d. Franklin MA
The Boston Globe, Boston MA 1 November 1998
- Margaret Scott Austin** age 99 d. HI
Honolulu Advertiser, Honolulu HI 1 November 1998
- Zona Wilma Adcock Austin** age 73 d. Sparta TN
The Tennessean, Nashville TN 1 November 1998
- Brenda Kay (Austin) Ericson** age 46 d. Little Rock AR
The Morning News, Springdale AR 1 November 1998
- Paul "Sarge" Austin** age 84 d. Carrier Mills IL
The Daily Register, Harrisburg IL 2 November 1998
- Victoria () Austin** age 101 d. St. Helena Island GA
Savannah Morning News, Savannah GA 2 November 1998
- Rose Marie (Gollnick) Osteen** d. Jacksonville FL
The Florida Times-Union, Jacksonville FL 2 November 1998
- Rose Marie (Gollnick) Osteen** age 93 d. Jacksonville FL
Vero Beach Press Journal, Vero Beach FL 3 November 1998
- Arnold E. Austin** age 68 d. Butler MO
The Kansas City Star, Kansas City MO 3 November 1998
- Linden Joseph Austin** age 73 d. Kansas City MO
The Kansas City Star, Kansas City MO 4 November 1998
- Mary Elizabeth (Eaton) Austin** age 41 d. Salisbury MA
Eagle Tribune, Lawrence MA 4 November 1998
- Bernadine McDade () Austin** age 87
The Ridgefield Press, Ridgefield CT 5 November 1998
- Fay (Spencer) Austin** age 74 d. Murray UT
The Salt Lake Tribune, Salt Lake City UT 5 November 1998
- Ronald Boyd Austin** age 35 d. Manteo NC
Coastland Times, Outer Banks NC 5 November 1998
- Ronald Boyd Austin Jr.** age 35 d. Salvo NC
Outer Banks Sentinel, Nags Head NC 5 November 1998
- Minty Mary (Hayward) Austin** age 75 b. CAN d. Berkeley CA
Contra Costa Times, Contra Costa County CA 6 November 1998
- Minty Mary (Hayward) Austin** age 75 b. CAN d. Berkeley CA
West County Times, Walnut Creek, CA 6 November 1998
- Robert Lee Austin Jr.** age 68 b. NC d. Edgewater MD
The Capital, Annapolis MD 6 November 1998
- Muriel E. () Austin** b. MA d. South Brunswick NJ
The Times, Trenton NJ 7 November 1998
- Elizabeth M () Austin** age 90 d. Davenport FL
Florida Today, Melbourne FL 8 November 1998
- Elizabeth M () Austin** age 90 d. Davenport FL
The Ledger, Lakeland FL 8 November 1998
- Joseph F. Austin** age 73 d. Evansville IN
Evansville Courier & Press, Evansville IN 8 November 1998
- Letitia (Wrigley) Austin** age 84 b. Denshaw ENG d. Manchester NH
The Union Leader, Manchester NH +10 November 1998
- Louise Austin**
The Washington Post, Washington DC 10 November 1998
- Thanie Cornelia (Phillips) Austin** age 94 d. Nashville NC
The Smithfield Herald, Smithfield NC 10 November 1998
- Bernadine McDade () Austin**
The Ridgefield Press, Ridgefield CT 12 November 1998
- Charles E. Austin** age 67 d. Grand Junction CO
The Daily Sentinel, Grand Junction CO 12 November 1998
- Ruby (Austin) Dooley** age 76 d. Lexington VA
The Roanoke Times & World News, Roanoke VA 14 November 1998
- Silas E. Austin** age 80 d. Valdese NC
Charlotte Observer, Charlotte NC 15 November 1998
- Marretta (Austin) Derrickson** age 81 b. Manteo NC d. Melbourne FL
Coastland Times, Outer Banks NC 15 November 1998
- Shirley J. (Nain) Osteen** age 49 d. Jacksonville FL
The Florida Times-Union, Jacksonville FL 15 November 1998
- Donna Marie Austin** age 37 b. Eaton Rapids MI d. Thonotosassa FL
The Tampa Tribune, Tampa FL 16 November 1998
- Bernice A (Houston) Austin**, 64 d. Waterbury VT
The World, Barre VT 18 November 1998
- Donna M. () Austin** age 37 b. FL d. Eaton Rapids MI
Lansing State Journal, Lansing MI 18 November 1998
- Pauline (Gatlin) Austin** age 68 d. Arroyo Grande CA
The Tribune, San Luis Obispo CA 16 November 1998
- Eugene Packer Austin III** age 56 d. TX
Houston Chronicle, Houston TX 16 November 1998
- Alma Ruth (Beard) Austin** age 88 b. Milk River AB CAN d. Boise ID
The Idaho Statesman, Boise ID 18 November 1998
- Emma M. (Elsthroth) Austin** d. MO
St. Louis Post-Dispatch, St. Louis MO 18 November 1998
- Eugene "Gino" Austin** age 61 d. Otis OR
The News Guard, Lincoln City OR 18 November 1998
- Permelia Lee (Carson) Austin** age 89 b. Yukon OK d. Ottawa KS
The Topeka Capital-Journal, Topeka KS 20 November 1998
- Permelia () Austin** age 89 d. Osawatomie KS
The Daily Oklahoman, Oklahoma City OK 20 November 1998
- Permelia Lee Austin** age 89 d. Ottawa KS
The Kansas City Star, Kansas City MO 20 November 1998
- Bonnie Mae (Stoneberg) Austin** age 78 b. Colo IA d. Owatonna MN
Roseau Times-Region, Roseau MN 21 November 1998
- Edith Mae (Ross) Austin** age 77 d. Winnipeg MB
Regina Leader Post, Regina SK 21 November 1998
- Alma (Osteen) Scott** age 94 d. Charleston SC
The Post and Courier, Charleston SC 21 November 1998
- Neva M. Austin** age 83 d. Dunlap IA
The Daily Nonpareil, Council Bluffs IA +23 November 1998
- Neva M. (Boe) Austin** age 83 d. Dunlap IA
The Dunlap Reporter, Dunlap IA 26 November 1998
- Herman (Coxie) Austin** age 81 d. Fallon NV
Reno Gazette-Journal, Reno NV 24 November 1998
- James Eldridge Austin** age 92 d. Linwood NJ
The Press of Atlantic City, Atlantic City NJ 24 November 1998

- Kate Austin** age 92 d. Big Stone Gap VA
Dickenson Star, Clintwood VA 25 November 1998
- Martha B. Austin** age 75 d. Castlewood VA
Dickenson Star, Clintwood VA 25 November 1998
- Annie Lois (Ford) Austin** age 86 b. Ellerslie PE d. Pugwash NS
The Chronicle-Herald, Halifax NS 26 November 1998
- Annie Lois (Ford) Austin** age 86 b. Ellerslie PE d. Pugwash NS
Halifax Daily News, Halifax NS 27 November 1998
- Bobby Joe Austin** age 63 d. Spartanburg SC
Herald-Journal, Spartanburg SC +26 November 1998
- W. T. "Bill" Austin** age 87 d. Covington GA
Atlanta Journal-Constitution, Atlanta GA 26 November 1998
- Lillian Bertha Dixon () Osteen** age 103 d. Jacksonville FL
The Florida Times-Union, Jacksonville FL 26 November 1998
- Artie Marie () Austin** age 97 b. Wytheville VA d. Titusville FL
Florida Today, Melbourne FL 29 November 1998
- Omar Allen Austin** age 78 b. IL d. Olathe KS
The Kansas City Star, Kansas City MO 29 November 1998
- Shirley D. () Austin** age 70 d. Lansing MI
Lansing State Journal, Lansing MI 29 November 1998
- Violet Joan (Store) Austen** age 81 d. Toronto ON
The Toronto Star, Toronto ON 30 November 1998
- James Oliver Austin** age 59 d. Waco TX
Waco Tribune Herald, Waco TX +30 November 1998
- Joe B. Austin** age 90 d. Clermont FL
Leesburg Daily Commercial, Leesburg FL 30 November 1998
- Linda Mae Austin** age 49 d. Germantown WI
The Janesville Gazette, Janesville WI 1 December 1998
- Linda Mae (Marquardt) Austin** age 49 d. Helenville WI
Daily Jefferson Union, Jefferson WI 1 December 1998
- Willard Perry Austin** age 79 d. Hickory NC
Charlotte Observer, Charlotte NC 1 December 1998
- Artie Marie Austin** age 97 d. Titusville FL
Florida Today, Melbourne FL 2 December 1998
- Cliness (Boulware) Austin** age 53 d. Union SC
Herald-Journal, Spartanburg SC 2 December 1998
- Ella Lee Austin** age 86 d. Harrisburg PA
Harrisburg Patriot News, Harrisburg PA 2 December 1998
- Hildred K. Austin** age 87 d. Jupiter FL
The Palm Beach Post, West Palm Beach FL 2 December 1998
- Hildred K. (Strum) Austin** age 87 b. NS d. Jupiter FL
The Providence Journal, Providence RI 4 December 1998
- Joseph B. "Sambo" Osteen** age 66 d. Wildwood FL
Leesburg Daily Commercial, Leesburg FL 2 December 1998
- Nora Lee (Osteen) (Jones) Teague** age 79 d. North Charleston SC
The Post and Courier, Charleston SC 2 December 1998
- Charlcie Roena () Osteen** age 89 d. Gainesville FL
The High Springs Herald, High Springs FL 3 December 1998
- Winifred Evelyn (Hiser) (Birkey) Austin** age 90 b. North Bend NE
d. Reno NV *Reno Gazette-Journal*, Reno NV 4 December 1998
- Grace (Austin) Hamilton** age 93 d. West Palm Beach FL
The Palm Beach Post, West Palm Beach FL +4 December 1998
- Erb W. (Eller) (Fisher) Austin** 85 b. Steamboat Springs CO d. Fallon NV
Reno Gazette-Journal, Reno NV 6 December 1998
- Shirley D. () Austin** age 70 d. Lansing MI
Delta-Waverly Community News, Grand Ledge MI 6 December 1998
- Agatha L. Austin** age 92 d. Merrimac WI
Wisconsin State Journal, Madison WI 7 December 1998
- William C. "Butch" Austin** age 58 d. Marion NC
Charlotte Observer, Charlotte NC 7 December 1998
- Lester Austin** age 91 d. Smithfield NC
The Smithfield Herald, Smithfield NC +8 December 1998
- Warren "Woody" Austin** age 61
The San Gabriel Valley Tribune, West Covina CA 8 December 1998
- Cameron (Hoover) Astin** age 87 d. Marlinton WV
The Register-Herald, Beckley WV 9 December 1998
- Cora (Knox) (White) Austin** age 85 b. Fallon NV d. Sacramento CA
Reno Gazette-Journal, Reno NV 9 December 1998
- Vera Virginia (Austin) Breeden** age 72 d. Winchester VA
The Journal, Martinsburg WV 9 December 1998
- Vera Virginia (Austin) Breeden** age 72 b. Montpelier VT d. Winchester VA
Page News & Courier, Luray VA 10 December 1998
- Hazel A. Austain** age 70 d. Kansas City MO
Kansas City Star, Kansas City MO 10 December 1998
- Ruby (Johnson) Austin** age 88 d. Buena Vista VA
The Roanoke Times & World News, Roanoke VA 10 December 1998
- Victoria (Osteen) Lee** d. Gainesville FL
The High Springs Herald, High Springs FL 10 December 1998
- Thelma J. (Callison) Osteen** age 75 b. Lansing MI d. Terrell TN
Lansing State Journal, Lansing MI 13 December 1998
- Jane Isabel (Manning) (Asten) Schczykelski** 71 b. Boston d. Orange City FL
Daytona Beach News-Journal, Daytona Beach FL 13 December 1998
- Jewell Pearl (Austin) Hallford** age 53 b. Quanah TX d. Tulare CA
Tulare Advanced-Register, Tulare CA 14 December 1998
- Willie Mae Austin** age 94 d. Florence AL
The Times-Daily, Florence AL 15 December 1998
- Barbara (Kyle) Austin** d. TX
Houston Chronicle, Houston TX 16 December 1998
- Mary Loudean () Austin** age 64 d. Longview TX
Longview News-Journal, Longview TX 16 December 1998
- Irene J. (Austin) Cramer** age 81 d. Scott City KS
The Hutchinson News, Hutchinson KS +16 December 1998
- Jack K Austin** age 75 d. Davenport IA
Quad-City Times, Davenport IA 17 December 1998
- Janie Elizabeth Cooper (Scott) Austin** age 66 b. St.Joe AR d. Moore OK
The Daily Oklahoman, Oklahoma City OK 17 December 1998
- Mary Lou () (Jamerson) (Peters) Austin** 64 b. Longview TX d. Herald IL
Longview News-Journal, Longview TX 17 December 1998
- Myrtle M. (Michel) Austin** d. Hamburg NY
The Buffalo News, Buffalo NY 17 December 1998
- Russell D. Austin** age 82 b. Tipton OK d. Andrews TX
Odessa American, Odessa TX 17 December 1998
- James W. "Red" Osteen** age 70 d. Wildwood FL
Leesburg Daily Commercial, Leesburg FL 17 December 1998
- Leon Austin** age 85 d. Flat Rock AL
The Huntsville Times, Huntsville AL 18 December 1998
- Virginia Britt () Austin** age 81
Richmond Times-Dispatch, Richmond VA 19 December 1998
- Oren H. Austin Jr.** age 66 d. Sacramento CA
The Sacramento Bee, Sacramento CA 19 December 1998
- Doris (Walker) Austin** age 70 d. Paducah KY
The Paducah Sun, Paducah KY 20 December 1998
- Emma Austin** age 95 d. Greer SC
Herald-Journal, Spartanburg SC 20 December 1998
- Robert Austin** age 67 b. Louisville KY d. Gulf Breeze FL
The Courier-Journal, Louisville KY 20 December 1998
- Virginia Britt () Austin** age 81
Richmond Times-Dispatch, Richmond VA 20 December 1998
- Harriett Elizabeth Austin** age 75 b. Summit NJ d. Las Vegas NV
Sioux City Journal, Sioux City IA 21 December 1998
- Barbara (Bithoney) Austin** d. Wollaston MA
The Boston Globe, Boston MA +23 December 1998
- Maggie Lou (Stewart) Austin** age 91 d. Clarksville TN
Leaf Chronicle, Clarksville TN 25 December 1998
- Charles Austin** age 60 d. Omaha NE
Omaha World-Herald, Omaha NE 26 December 1998
- Earl E. Austin** age 76 b. Manton MI d. Ocala FL
Ocala Star-Banner, Ocala FL 27 December 1998
- Herman Lawrence "Lip" Austin** age 74 d. Mechanicsville VA
Richmond Times-Dispatch, Richmond VA +28 December 1998
- Marilyn (Avitt) Austin** age 74 d. Tekamah NE
Fremont Tribune, Fremont NE 28 December 1998
- Esterlene (Daniels) Austin** d. Longview TX
Longview News-Journal, Longview TX 29 December 1998
- Inez M. Austin** age 95 b. MEX d. Simi Valley CA
Los Angeles Times, Los Angeles CA 29 December 1998
- Robert Austin** age 67 d. Louisville KY
The Courier-Journal, Louisville KY 29 December 1998
- Roy G. Austin** d. MO
St. Louis Post-Dispatch, St. Louis MO +29 December 1998
- Chester Edward "Chet" Austin** age 69 d. White Sulphur Springs WV
Charleston Daily Mail, Charleston WV +30 December 1998
- Nora (Austin) Greene** d. Boone NC
Charlotte Observer, Charlotte NC 31 December 1998

AUSTINS BURIED ON OLD BURIAL HILL IN CHARLESTOWN, MASSACHUSETTS

by Michael Edward Austin

The oldest cemetery in Charlestown, Massachusetts was established in 1630. Commonly called “Old Burial Hill” in the 18th and 19th centuries, it is now officially known as the “Phipps Street Burying Ground.” Photographs of sign near the cemetery’s gate, and the view coming through the gate are shown to the right. The structure on the horizon resembling Charlestown’s Bunker Hill Monument is actually Boston’s new Leonard P. Zakim bridge.

Harvard University’s founder is among those buried in this old cemetery. John Harvard was born in 1607 in Southwark, England. He arrived in Boston on 26 June 1637, and soon became an important member of the local community. However, he only lived about another year before dying of consumption on 26 September 1638 at age 30. He had brought over 400 books to America, and in his will he left half of his estate and all of his library for “the erecting of a college.” Thus was Harvard College founded, later becoming Harvard University. A monument to John Harvard was erected in the cemetery 200 years after he died (see bottom two photographs at right).

A few months before John Harvard died – on 16 May 1638 – Richard Austin and his family landed in Boston Harbor aboard the ship *Bevis*. Richard possibly settled in Charlestown, and most of the 43 Austins buried on Old Burial Hill are believed to be his descendants.

The gravestones show the effects of time and weather. Many appear to have “sunken” into the ground – or perhaps centuries of decayed grass clippings have caused the ground level to become higher – and the earth now envelops the lower portions of these gravestones. Some gravestones which appear on old cemetery drawings can no longer be found, perhaps fallen and covered by grass.

Circa 1879 and again in 1919 and 1952 researchers took the time to record the epitaphs of the gravestones in the cemetery. The 1919 and 1952 manuscripts are available at the New England Historic Genealogical Society library in Boston. The 1919 manuscript’s author is not named, but it is titled *Charlestown, Massachusetts Epitaphs – Old Burial Hill – 1919*. The 1952 manuscript compiled and arranged by William R. J. Griffin, is titled

Epitaphs on Old Burial Hill (Phipps Street Burial Ground) Charlestown 1622 to 1952 and has several errors. The information on the next page results from comparing the manuscripts. Differences were resolved by visits to the cemetery to re-read the gravestones, a task which often required prying grass away to view the “sunken” epitaphs.

AOA Photos 808 – 1, -2, -3, -4

SARAH AUSTIN d. 20 July 1682 age 39y	SAMUEL AUSTIN d. 23 June 1716 age 56y	CORNELIUS AUSTIN son of Timothy and Lydia d. 16 November 1756 age 5y 7m	RUTH AUSTIN widow of Mr. Thomas Austin of Charlestown d. 4 December 1795 age 84y
MATILDA AUSTIN daughter of Richard d. 1684	MARY AUSTIN daughter of James and Mary d. 28 November 1721 age 10y 1 m	BENJAMIN AUSTIN son of Timothy and Lydia d. 2 December 1756 age 4y 4m	WILLIAM AUSTIN son of Samuel and Abigail d. 12 May 1797 age 4 y
THANKFUL AUSTIN wife of Ebenezer d. 17 March 1691 age about 31y	EBENEZER AUSTIN d. 16 January 1723 in 61st year	THOMAS AUSTIN son of Thomas and Mary d. 24 September 1757 age 7m	ANNA AUSTIN wife of Nathaniel of Boston d. 11 November 1797 age 56y
ABIGAIL AUSTIN wife of Richard d. 1 February 1693 age 57 y	WILLIAM AUSTIN d. 8 or 28 October 1730 in 32nd year	ANNA AUSTIN daughter of Nathaniel and Anna d. 2 March 1760 age 1 mo	MARY AUSTIN widow of Ebenezer d. 10 February 1800 age 90y
RICHARD AUSTIN d. 9 September 1694 age 28y	REBECCA AUSTIN wife of Joseph d. 5 December 1735 in 38th year	RUTH AUSTIN daughter of Thomas and Mary d. 28 May 1760 age 7m 17d	EBENEZER AUSTIN son of Nathaniel and Anna of Boston d. 31 July 1800 age 24y
MEHITABLE AUSTIN daughter of Richard d. 16 September 1694 age 3y	JAMES AUSTIN d. 23 June 1741 age 62y	THOMAS AUSTIN d. 7 March 1762 age 30y 6m	EBENEZER AUSTIN d. 19 October 1800 age 67y
RICHARD AUSTIN Senior d. 15 August 1703 age about 71y	MARY AUSTIN relict of James d. 25 December 1745 in 65th year	SARAH AUSTIN wife of William daughter of Joseph and Abigail Whittemore d. 20 April 1762 in 26th year	HARRIET AUSTIN daughter of Nathaniel Jr. and Mary P. d. 11 May 1810 age 21y 7m 20d
JAMES AUSTIN son of James and Mary d. 25 September 1707 age 1y 5m	THOMAS AUSTIN d. 28 December 1749 in his 44th year	TIMOTHY AUSTIN son of Deacon Timothy and Lydia d. 23 May 1770 age 21y	NATHANIEL AUSTIN d. 11 October 1818 in 84th year Revolutionary War
REBECCA AUSTIN daughter of Ebenezer and Rebecca d. 12 February 1713 age 14y 3d	GRACE daughter of Nanne a Negro Servant to Mr. Ebenezer Austin d. June 1751	ANNA AUSTIN daughter of Nathaniel and Anna d. 3 September 1787 age 23y	NATHANIEL AUSTIN JR. d. 3 April 1861 age 89y 15d Brigadier General
REBECCA AUSTIN daughter of William and Hannah d. 22 September 1713 age 13y	SAMUEL AUSTIN son of Timothy and Lydia d. 8 September 1755 age 23d	SARAH AUSTIN daughter of Nathaniel and Anna of Boston d. 7 July 1789 age 24y	
BENJAMIN AUSTIN son of Ebenezer and Rebecca d. 11 July 1715 age 18y	JOSEPH AUSTIN d. 2 March 1756 age about 63y		
TIMOTHY AUSTIN son of Ebenezer and Rebecca d. 24 May 1716 age 5y 6m	THOMAS AUSTIN son of Timothy and Lydia d. 9 September 1756 age 12d		
	THOMAS AUSTIN d. 1756		

AOA Photo 810-1

Above: Stanley E. Bradley of Dryden, New York, scales the Phipps Street Burying Ground fence seeking the grave of Richard Austin, who arrived in Boston in 1638 on the *Bevis*. Richard Austin's gravestone is not in the cemetery. The stone of the oldest Richard Austin in the cemetery is shown below. Thomas Bellows Wyman's *Genealogies and Estates of Charleston* states: "no evidence certainly connects the inhabitant here with that early immigrant." However, Richard Austin arrived with a wife and two children (unnamed), and James Savage's *Genealogical Dictionary of New England* states that the Richard buried here is "probably" a son of the immigrant.

AOA Photo 810-2**AOA Photo 810-3**

(Shows Stanley E. Bradley looking at gravestone)

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2003 CONVENTION IN RICHMOND, VIRGINIA

The 2003 National Austin Convention was held on 20-22 June in Richmond, Virginia, jointly sponsored by the Austins of America Genealogical Society (AOAGS) and the Austin Families Association of America (AFAOA). Friday afternoon a group of attendees were given a tour of the Library of Virginia. Attendees enjoyed the finest set of talks ever given at a National Austin Convention. Saturday morning Arthur Maynard Sikes Jr. of Suffield, Connecticut spoke on *Probate Records Research* and Virginia State Archivist Conley L. Edwards spoke on the *Genealogical Holdings at the Library of Virginia*. Saturday afternoon Dr. Roger Brian Austin of Cambridge, England spoke on *The Descendants of Thomas Austin of Barbados — An Exploration*, Douglas Scott Shipley of El Paso, Texas spoke on *Slaves in the Family: One Descendant's Quest*, Elizabeth Austin Carlin of West Hills, California spoke on the *Austin Families in Virginia and North Carolina*, and Gay Gaston Martin Jr. of Ocean Springs, Mississippi spoke on *Printing Your Valuable Photos for Posterity*. Sunday morning Robert Krause Austin of Wilmington, Delaware spoke on his *Great-Grandfather Isaac Austin's Treasures*, Art Sikes spoke on *The Great Migration Study Project*, Janice Austin Untener of Cleveland, Ohio, spoke on *Progress in Northern Austin Research*, and James Herbert Carlin of West Hills, California spoke on *Some Other Approaches to Using Photos in Your Genealogies*. Sunday afternoon Megan Smolenyak of Williamsburg, Virginia, gave an excellent talk on *Real-World DNA Testing*. Austin Workshops each morning and afternoon helped people to research their Austin roots and to scan their Austin photographs.

2004 CONVENTION TO BE HELD IN SALT LAKE CITY

After the AOAGS and AFAOA business meetings on Sunday afternoon, the attendees voted to have the 2004 Convention in Salt Lake City, Utah on 9-10-11 July. Convention details will appear in the January 2004 newsletter, but please circle those dates on your calendar!

1850 FEDERAL CENSUS PROJECT STATUS

The AOAGS "Austins in the Federal Census of 1850" project now has volunteers for all states. Paul Nelson Winslow completed MASSACHUSETTS, Elizabeth Austin Carlin did NORTH CAROLINA, and Charles Ward Austin ARKANSAS. Robert Aurand Cody is working on FLORIDA.

AOA Photos 811-1, 2

Dr. Roger Brian Austin and Douglas Scott Shipley

AOA Photo 811-3

Arthur Maynard Sikes and Betty Sutton Shelhamer

AOA Photo 811-4

Donald Edroy Austin's five generations of fire fighters

NOTE (1): Pages 812 & 813 contain personal photos of the attendees to the 2003 National Austin Convention held on 20-22 June at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Richmond, Virginia. These have been deleted here. The following appears on the rest of page 813.

Friday evening the convention attendees enjoyed a getacquainted reception, then broke up into groups to dine out at various Richmond restaurants. At the reception Donald Edroy Austin's T-shirt (shown on previous page worn by Nancy Morrison) boasted five-generations of Austin family fire fighters in Holbrook, Massachusetts (see his article on page 833). Other reception photographs appear on the next page, along with some photographs of the Sunday evening cocktail hour and banquet. At the banquet attendees heard a warm, thought-provoking talk on *Remembering Our Ancestors* by Guest Speaker Megan Smolenyak. AOAGS Director Michael Edward Austin then thanked outgoing AFAOA President Alice Austin Martin for her cooperation throughout her four-year term, and he looked forward to working with her successor, Arthur Maynard Sikes, Jr. Dr. Austin then presented the annual AOAGS Austin Genealogical Research Award to Sally Austin Day of Livonia, Michigan (see page 831).

NOTE (2): Page 814 contains 17 "snapshots" of participants at the convention and has been deleted here.

**SOME DESCENDANTS OF
JEREMIAH AUSTIN AND HELEN THURSTON
OF JONES COUNTY IOWA**

*by Carolyn Austin Kingston
and William John Neal*

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NINTH GENERATION

S246-3174-2. CARL EUGENE⁹ AUSTIN (*George Thurston*,⁸ *Jeremiah Corliss*,⁷ *Edward W.*,⁶ *Jonathan*,⁵ *Jonathan*,⁴ *Zebediah*,³ *Thomas*,² *Samuel*¹) was born 16 August 1881 in Hale, Jones County, Iowa, and was schooled in Marion, Linn County, Iowa. After graduation he worked on a ranch in New Mexico for a year. He first entered the grain business circa 1902 in Minneapolis, Minnesota, working as a grain inspector for Commons & Company, and later as a cash grain broker for this company on the Minnesota Exchange. He married on 5 June 1912 Helen Louise Riheldaffer, born 18 October 1885 in Saint Paul, Minnesota, the daughter of John Henry Riheldaffer and Susan Timmerman. Her grandfather, Reverend John G. Riheldaffer, organized the Central Presbyterian Church in Saint Paul, on 22 February 1852. Helen was crowned Queen of the May at the University of Minnesota in 1909, at a campus festival of the Young Women's Christian Association. She earned her degree in Home Economics.

Next Carl worked two years for the Columbia Grain Elevator Company of Minneapolis, then in 1914 he was asked by McCabe Brothers Company to open up a cash grain office in Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada. The family moved to Fort Garry, a suburb of Winnipeg. Carl was elected a member of the Winnipeg Grain Exchange, and later became a member of its Board of Governors. He joined the Manitoba Club and the Canadian Club. In 1916 he was instrumental in forming the Victoria Elevator Company, which built grain elevator lines in Manitoba, southern Saskatchewan & Alberta, Canada. In 1923 he developed another grain company, the Crescent Elevator Company. In 1928 McCabe interests were consolidated under McCabe Brothers Grain Company Ltd., and Carl became its General Manager & Secretary. In 1946 he became company President, and he served as Chairman of the Board for several years before retiring in 1953.

Carl was 38, with brown eyes, dark hair and 5' 9" when he and two of his children were naturalized as British subjects on 23 June 1920. The large library in his Fort Garry home covered one complete wall, the bookshelves

AOA Photo 815

This photo was likely taken circa the 1912 wedding of Carl Eugene Austin and Helen Louise (Riheldaffer) Austin (center). His parents George Thurston Austin and Mary Rosalie (Blackmar) Austin are shown at right. The couple at left are perhaps Helen's parents, John Henry Riheldaffer and Susan (Timmerman) Riheldaffer.

AOA Photos 816-1, -2

Top: Carl Eugene Austin and his children John Philip, Margaret Louise and Mary Jane circa 1918. Bottom: his wife Helen R. Austin with the children circa 1922.

protected by glass doors. Carl kept a lizard in a glass tank, which enjoyed basking in the sun and swiftly darting its tongue out for food. In 1922 Carl and Helen began taking day trips by train to Lac du Bonnet, Manitoba, for there were no roads then from Winnipeg. In 1926 they built a log cottage on the lake, and a new one in 1933. Many summers were enjoyed there taking steambaths, playing croquette and tennis, skeet shooting, swimming, boating, fishing, hunting, bird watching and gardening. Evenings were sometimes spent on card games with the fireplace crackling. Carl was interested in outdoor life and nature. He served as Honorary President of the Natural History Museum in Winnipeg, and helped with museum improvements. Carolyn recalls once her grandfather was reading a newspaper on a big rock, and without looking, put his hand down to pat one of the dogs, but it was a porcupine!

After his brother Hubert Henry Austin died unexpectedly in 1935, Carl purchased four plots in Elmwood Cemetery in Fort Garry. The deed was dated 22 October 1936. Hubert Austin was buried in one of the plots, and in April 1942 Carl's father George T. Austin was buried beside Hubert. The two unused plots were donated back to the cemetery in 2002 by Carl's grandson William John Neal.

In 1945 Carl Austin and his son Philip purchased ranch land near Cochrane in Alberta, Canada. Carl and Helen sold their cottage at Lac du Bonnet in July 1946, and they had sold their Fort Garry home by June 1947. They lived in a Winnipeg apartment briefly while Carl underwent disc surgery.

Before 1950 Carl and Helen moved to Alberta and built large single-level house on their ranch land, fairly close to the house where their son Philip and his family were living. Electricity was supplied by a Delco generator running in their pump house. The ranch was always busy, as butter was churned, eggs collected, cows milked, horses groomed, meat hung, cattle branded and rounded up, and the hay, rye and wheat were harvested. Wild crocuses would come out about calving time, and

in the summer tiger lilies decked the hills, along with other beautiful flowers such as Indian paintbrush and blackeyed Susans. Carl enjoyed shooting (especially coyotes and gophers), gardening, horseback riding and walking with the dogs. When he was not helping out with the general ranch work, Carl might be found typing at his desk, working at his basement workbench, or reading.

During Manitoba's "Great Flood of 1950" Margaret Neal brought her children to Alberta to stay with her parents until the danger had passed. Soon after that Carl's health failed, so they moved to 510 Sifton Boulevard in Calgary, Alberta. Philip's family moved into the large ranch house. Helen raised vegetables and gladiolas at their new home, and nursed Carl until he died at home of arteriosclerosis on 22 July 1954. She continued to drive her own car until she was 80. She was jolly, intelligent, and keen about people, and was beloved by all her family. She moved to an apartment near Mary Jane. Her granddaughter Peggy Neal (a Registered Nurse) looked after her during her last days. Helen died 28 February 1975 in Calgary at 89, and was buried beside Carl in Queens Park Cemetery in Calgary. She had been a member of the Scarboro United

AOA Photo 817-1**Carl Eugene Austin (1881-1954)**

Church and active in the U.C.W. Carl and Helen had two children born in Minneapolis, and one in Winnipeg:

S246-3174-21. JOHN PHILIP, *b. 15 March 1914 +*

S246-3174-22. MARGARET LOUISE, *b. 28 June 1915 +*

S246-3174-23. MARY JANE, *b. 10 August 1916 +*

S246-3174-3. HUBERT HENRY⁹ AUSTIN (*George Thurston*,⁸ *Jeremiah Corliss*,⁷ *Edward W.*,⁶ *Jonathan*,⁵ *Jonathan*,⁴ *Zebediah*,³ *Thomas*,² *Samuel*¹) was born 12 July 1883 in Jones County, Iowa. In 1905 he was associated with M. W. Savage, of the International Stock Food Company of Minneapolis, Minnesota. He later worked for McCabe Grain in Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada. He raised tumbler pigeons in Fort Garry, Manitoba. He married first on 2 August 1910 Elizabeth Davies, and second Helen Jessup. He left Helen and went to Vancouver. He died suddenly at age 52 on 5 December 1935 at New Westminster, British Columbia. His next of kin was listed as his wife Helen, who had returned to Bemidji, Beltrami County, Minnesota. Hubert had resided at 115 Buxton Road in Fort

AOA Photos 817-2**Hubert Henry Austin (1883-1935) and brother Carl****AOA Photos 817-3****Carl's wife Helen (left) & Hubert's wife Helen (right)**

Garry at the time of his death. The house remained in the Austin family, and in 1942 or 1943 Margaret Louise and her husband William Scott Neal moved into it. Hubert Henry Austin had one known child by his second wife:

S246-3174-31. RUTH CLAIRE, *b. 1926*

TENTH GENERATION

S246-3174-21. JOHN PHILIP¹⁰ AUSTIN (*Carl Eugene*,⁹ *George Thurston*,⁸ *Jeremiah Corliss*,⁷ *Edward W.*,⁶ *Jonathan*,⁵ *Jonathan*,⁴ *Zebediah*,³ *Thomas*,² *Samuel*¹) was born 15 March 1914 in Minneapolis, Minnesota. He moved with the family to Winnipeg, Canada about the time the photo at the right was taken. Philip attended General Steel High School in Fort Garry, Manitoba. As a boy at Lac Du Bonnet in Manitoba he watched “float planes” filling the skies, and he dreamed of becoming a pilot. His father felt that flying was no way to earn a living, and persuaded Philip to try something else, so he first went to work for his father at the McCabe Grain Company.

Philip first married Lois Aurice Wright on 9 October 1935 in Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada. Lois was born 27 September 1914 in Taber, Alberta, Canada, the daughter of George and Emma (Bucknam) Wright. Before her marriage Lois sang with a church choir and with a trio known as “We Three” on the CBC radio. Philip and Lois had a daughter before divorcing in 1939. Lois married second Robert George McCulloch, whose father Richard was also in the grain business, and a business associate of Carl E. Austin. Richard and Carl had high regard for each other. Philip and Robert met through their fathers. Lois and Bob were in Halifax, Nova Scotia, during the war, where he served in the Royal Canadian Navy, in the Escort Service under Captain Minguary.

At age 70 Lois became ill. Her lab report “went missing” for six months, and by the time the error was discovered, it was too late for adequate treatment of her condition (biopsy of temporal artery). Lois was put on Prednisone which caused partial blindness and fractures of her spine. She developed painful shingles while being cared for in Florida. Lois McCulloch died on 11 June 1984 in Fort Myers, Florida, and is buried in Winnipeg.

About 1995 Philip was interviewed by his son-in-law, John Barry Kingston. Philip recalled that he lasted only six weeks with the grain company. His father got him to try banking, but Philip and the bank soon parted. For six months he was a trader on the Winnipeg Grain

AOA Photo 818-1

Lois Aurice (Wright) (Austin) McCulloch in 1961

AOA Photo 818-2

John Philip Austin and mother Helen Louise Austin

exchange, and then he did a stretch in an accountant’s office. His father Carl must have finally realized that Philip wanted to fly more than anything else, for he helped him to obtain his pilot’s license. Philip learned to fly in a Taylor aircraft. After he earned his pilot’s license, he landed a job as a cook for a pilot and his mechanic at Cormorant Lake in Manitoba, but Philip never got to fly in the plane!

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**SOME DESCENDANTS OF
THOMAS AUSTIN OF BARBADOS**

*by Roger Brian Austin
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England, and he saw his mother and sisters off from Southampton with some misgivings. Little is known of John Gardiner Austin's governorship, and no letters from British Honduras have survived, but it appears that it was not altogether a success. 'Papa' was inclined to be rather impetuous and irascible. He did not suffer fools gladly and his children stood in awe of him. Many years later John Jr.'s eldest son Ruff wrote to his sister Dora:

"Father always told me that our grandfather had some row with the Colonial Office, which was the reason he had to resign from British Honduras but this seems pretty authentic."

'This' was a newspaper clipping of reminiscences of someone who had lived in British Honduras at the time:

"I remember the Governor, Mr. J. G. Austin, selling a large quantity of land to some American syndicate. This was disapproved of by the Colonial Office, and a telegram came to say 'Land sale disallowed.' Mr. Austin was recalled and given the Colonial Secretaryship of Hong Kong."

Ruff's letter continues:

"Anyway they kicked him upstairs, for Hong Kong was a far better job than the other, and he eventually retired on quite a decent pension."

So in 1868 John Gardiner Austin set forth alone for the Far East. Emma and the girls settled at 71 Harcourt Terrace, South Kensington, and this was the family home for many years in which 'Papa' spent his leaves from China. He had the sadness of losing in Hong Kong two of his younger sons for whom he had obtained posts in the firm of Jardine, Matheson & Company. He is said to have been the first to set up a summer home on the Peak. After the Peak tram (a funicular railway) was built, this became the fashionable European section of Hong Kong. His house was a favorite objective with his friends for an afternoon walk up the old Peak road and they called it the 'Austin Arms.' Mt. Austin is also said to be named after him, and when appointed C.M.G. on 3 March 1876 he was the first Colonial Secretary and official of Hong Kong upon whom the honour had been conferred since the foundation of the Colony.

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'The Trinity' (left to right): Brothers Hugh Williams Austin (1819-1898), John Gardiner Austin Sr. (1812-1900) and Bishop William Piercy Austin (1807-1892).

[Editor's note: The C.M.G. is the third rank of The Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, a British order of knight-hood created by the Prince Regent (later George IV) in 1818. It is an honor conferred principally on British diplomats and others who have performed important duties abroad.]

Sir John Gardiner Austin outstayed two governors, and towards the end of his service a new governor was appointed. This was none other than Sir John Pope Hennessy who, as governor of Barbados in 1876, had caused the 'Pope Hennessy riots' there when he tried to alter the constitution and take away the right to self-government of which the island was proud. He was a hot-tempered Irishman and within living memory, if a little Barbadian boy were noisy and troublesome he was described as a 'regular Pope Hennessy'! Unfortunately there was a muddle over the arrangements for the official welcome of the new governor to Hong Kong. Sir John's grandson (James Pope-Hennessy) relates the incident in his book *Verandah*:

*"One Sunday morning of late April 1877 a crowd of officials and residents thronged Pedders Wharf to welcome the new governor. By some error, the *Zambezi*, the ship in which he was traveling, perversely moored off Westpoint Wharf where nobody was waiting. At neither Wharf was there any sign of the Administrator, old Mr. Gardiner Austin, whose duty it was to board the vessel and bring the Vice-Regal party ashore in the Governor's official launch. Mr. Austin had simply not been expecting the ship that evening and had stayed up in the cool, damp air of Mountain Lodge, the Governor's eyrie on the Peak. Hearing the signal, Mr. Austin hastily mounted into his palanquin, a fine Government House chair lined with mirrors, and was borne down the steep and tortuous lane which linked the Peak with the city below. Although the Chinese bearers, in sealing wax red liveries with white gaiters, round mutton-pie felt hats with scarlet tassels on their shining pig-tailed heads, moved at a dog-trot, he reached Westpoint Wharf quite late and it was nearly 7 before the Governor and his wife landed amid the cheers of those whose patience had held out to the bitter end."*

The name of Austin must have been anathema to the fiery-tempered little Irishman for not only had old Mr. Gardiner Austin failed to meet him on time in Hong Kong, but young Mr. Gardiner Austin in Barbados had been one of the strongest opponents to his policy there and had been personally reprimanded for not attending a function at Government House, whilst Preston Bruce Austin, as editor of the *Agricultural Reporter*, had represented the opposition of the 'plantocracy' and had also been the bearer of a petition to London from the Island for the removal of Pope-Hennessy as governor. This was not a happy introduction to his Colonial Secretary nor to his governorship which, as his grandson reports, 'brought turmoil to Hong Kong.'

It was just as well that John Gardiner Austin, now 65, was due for retirement. In 1878 he left the Far East for good and joined his family in London. Things did not go as happily for him as they might have done, for before seven years had passed his wife and daughters had all died, leaving him alone at Harcourt Terrace except for the faithful old black West Indian servant, Mimmy.

When the news of Louisa's death reached Sweden, his daughter Belle, waited only to clothe herself and family in deepest black (described by her niece visiting Sweden at the time) before hastening to London to plan for Papa's future. It was decided to give up the Harcourt Terrace house and settle the old man at Hove. Mimmy went back to Sweden with Belle, and lived to a ripe old age.

In Hove, John Gardiner Austin married a nice middle-aged woman, Mary Christina Goodhart, who was much liked by all his relatives. She died in 1904. He saw the new century in, outlived all but two of his children and died when nearly 88 years old. His Colonial Office pension died with him and such other income as he had was left to his widow, as was only right. He left Belle all family plate and miniatures which had belonged to his father, together with many other items. John Gardiner Austin Jr. was not mentioned in the will. His daughter Dora Helen Annette Austin writes regarding this:

"I feel that my grandfather showed a strange antagonism to his son whom he passed over entirely in his will. My father was deeply hurt by this action. In Grandfather's eyes J.G.A. was a failure for he had no business sense."

John Gardiner Austin's long life had almost coincided with that of Queen Victoria's and he saw the British Empire at the height of its power. He had ten children by his wife Emma:

- T341. CHARLES WILDAY, b. 19 January 1837 +
- T342. JOHN GARDINER JR., b. 19 July 1838 +
- T343. MEHETABEL PIERCY, b. 29 February 1840 +
- T344. HUGH PIERCY, b. 15 November 1841 +

T345. THOMAS BRUCE PRYCE, b. 11 March 1843 in Thickethorne, Warwick, England. He d. on 21 January 1844. He was buried in 'Land of Plenty' plantation in Demerara.

T346. EMMA SARAH BURNETT, born 24 November 1844 in Demerara, British Guiana, she was known as Emmie. She is described in an early letter from her brother John as a 'dreadful creole' presumably because she spoke with a strong West Indian accent. John was keen that his sisters should be good pianists, and added with disappointment 'to my infinite disgust she does not seem to care about knowing how to play, although she says she is fond of music and likes to hear it. You must do your best to rub her up.' At the age of 11½ she too left Demerara and we know little of her adult life, except that she accompanied her parents to British Honduras when her father was appointed Lieutenant Governor. She was always delicate and died 23 May 1878 in London when only 34, the year before her mother died. She had not been married, and was buried in the Brompton Cemetery in London.

T347. FANNY LOUISA NEVILLE, b. 6 July 1846 in Demerara, she was known as 'Pig' to her brothers and sisters. She met with more approval than her sister Emma from her brother John, who wrote 'I think you will be pleased with Pig's playing on the piano, not that she is at all forward, but with her touch and manner of playing.' Louisa did not survive Emma very long, but died after an attack of the flu on 28 February 1885 at 71 Harcourt Terrace where she was keeping house for Papa. She was buried in Brompton Cemetery in London.

T348. JEFFREY PAUL PIERCY, b. 28 March 1848, he was lame and died on 6 February 1855 in Demerara. Rather morbidly his sister Belle cherished his tiny crutch for years.

T349. JAMES HENRY ALLEYNE, born on 28 August 1849 in Demerara. His brother John describes him in a letter to their sister Belle: 'Alleynes is a little misery, he is as thin as a match and inclined to be tall.' Later he writes 'Alleynes (also referred to as Sextus, the 6th son) is a regular young pickle but such a dreadfully thin little misery you don't like to see him whipped, though never does a fellow require it more. I dare say you will have some specimens of his pranks and humours.' Alleynes went to England with his mother when he was six and in due course his father got him a nomination for the Bluecoat School, then still in London. On leaving school he started to work for a firm of tea tasters, probably with connections with Hong Kong where his father then was. That summer his mother and sister were staying in Sweden with Belle, leaving him in lodgings. Here he fell ill with scarlet fever and his landlady sent him to hospital. Legend says that he died on his way there in a cab. She did not have his parents' address and it was some time before he was identified by means of a letter which was in his pocket from his cousin Maitland Burnett whom the hospital contacted, a sad end to the 'little misery.' He died on 20 October 1868 in London, and was buried in Kensal Green Cemetery.

T34A. HELEN ELIZABETH BARKLEY, b. 6 October 1854 in Demerara, she was known as Eliza. she was only a baby when Mama and the younger children left Demerara. She was a great favourite of her big brother's, who says in 1855: 'Now for the Pet of the family. I hope she won't be spoiled. She is beginning to creep and has two little teeth and is a good tempered ugly little thing.' Helen spent much of her youth in Sweden with Belle, sharing a governess with the latter's stepdaughters, and her grown up years in

London at Harcourt Terrace. Sometime in the eighties, she had been on a visit to relations in Scotland, either the Burnetts or the Dudgeons, relations of the Dicksons. She was seen off in a train for London, apparently perfectly normal, but on arrival at Euston was found to have suffered a nervous breakdown (she had been assaulted on the train) from which she never fully recovered, relapsing into a state of gentle melancholia. She died in a nursing home in Scotland on 2 January 1893, and was buried in Cargen N.B., Scotland.

T38. HUGH WILLIAMS³ AUSTIN (*William*,² *Thomas*¹) was born on 20 July 1819 on the family "Land of Plenty" plantation in Essequibo, British Guiana. Compared to his two older brothers little is known of Hugh's life. He was the third Austin to bear these Christian names. As a baby he was taken by his mother to Europe. He probably spent his childhood in Germany with her, being sent to England for his education.

On leaving school, Hugh joined the Colonial Service in a minor capacity, and was stationed in Jamaica for some years. Here he married Mary Theodore Margaret Stewart, born in 1833. Her sister Lady Barker married successively two colonial governors, the second was Sir A. L. Napier Broome, who was Governor of Barbados, then later of Western Australia where a town is named after him. Mary Austin died 1 July 1863 in Jamaica, and is buried in the Churchyard of Spanish Town. Hugh was married second circa 1865 to Jane 'Jeanie' Gordon, born in 1837, a niece of Sir Bowcher Clarke of Barbados. After Hugh retired, the family returned to England and resided at Sydenham, England where he died on 21 October 1898, the same year as Jeanie. Hugh Williams Austin had one child by his first wife, three by his second:

T381. CECIL WILLIAMS, *b. 1858. On the death of his mother he joined his grandmother's ménage in Bonn, Germany. As an adult, he joined the Austrian Army. He died a bachelor on 19 November 1893 in Bonn.*

T382. HUGH LEITH GORDON, *he married 27 April 1895 Lata Emily Gertrude Jamesson. They are believed to have had a son, Hugh of whom nothing is known. Hugh Leith Gordon Austin died in Honolulu in 1930.*

T383. JEANIE GORDON, *born in 1871, she died a spinster in June 1936.*

T384. MARY MEHETABEL, *b. 1874, she was known as 'Met.' She entered Saint Peter's Sisterhood in Kilburn, London, where her elder cousin Sarah (known as 'Tal') was Mother Superior. Met died in March 1937.*

T51. WILTSHIRE STANTON³ AUSTIN (*Richard*,² *Thomas*¹) was born 11 March 1793 in Barbados. Like his father, he took Holy Orders as well as being an officer in the West India Regiment. Wiltshire inherited a small estate, probably from his mother, called "Vaughans" in Saint Joseph's Parish, Barbados, just below the present church.

When ordained Wiltshire Austin followed his father to Demerara and was chaplain in Georgetown 1821-1824,

where he got into trouble for sympathising with Rev. John Smith, a missionary at Le Resouvenir from the London Missionary Society, who had tried to educate the slaves and was involved in the slave uprising of 1823. Smith was thrown into prison where he died from tuberculosis only months before King George IV's pardon arrived in the colony. An open letter by 'An Episcopalian' dated April 1824, addressed to the pew-holders of St George's church, printed in the *Galana Chronicle* of Demerara accused Wiltshire of unspecified 'criminal' behaviour and generally assassinated his character, concluding by demanding that pew-holders should not revisit his church. This was at a time when the planters were anxious to retain their slaves, without whom they believed they would be unable to produce sugar on their plantations. The planter's belief ran against the tide of enlightened opinion in Britain, the slave trade having been abolished in 1807. Clergy who had been exposed to anti-slavery thinking, including Wiltshire and his father Richard, as well as the missionaries John Smith in Demerara and John Wray in Berbice, were the targets of much abuse for daring to upset the status quo. Wiltshire was not imprisoned but was ordered to leave the colony for good. On 11 March 1824 he had been married at St. George's Church in Georgetown, now the Cathedral, to a Miss Dunkin Webster, who was born 14 January 1801.

On leaving Demerara the couple settled in England, where they lived for many years, moving from one parish to another as is recorded by the places where their numerous progeny were baptised. They stayed longest in Pembroke, South Wales, a place to which they were all very attached. Wiltshire Stanton Austin gave evidence on 'the life and conditions of Barbados' slaves' to a parliamentary select committee. It was published in the *Report of the Select Committee on the Extinction of Slavery throughout the British Dominions* (Parliamentary Reports for 1831-1832, Volume 20, pages 178-183).

Wiltshire and Dunkin must have gone out to Barbados for two or three years, however, for one son was born there in 1838, and there is an account of a wedding in the *Barbadian* newspaper of 24 March 1838 at which the officiating clergyman was the Rev. Wiltshire Austin. They had returned to Pembroke by 1842 for their youngest son was born there that year.

Wiltshire Austin died of jaundice on 29 January 1857, at the Rectory House in Great Bentley, near Colchester, England, and his wife Dunkin died on 27 June 1861. Both are buried in the Highgate Cemetery. They had a large family of eight sons and two daughters, but we have little information on those who did not go to the West Indies. It is alleged that there was an eleventh child, Leonard Strong, but we have no information on this. At least four of their sons were in Holy Orders, and

the most outstanding personality of these was the third son, Preston Bruce Austin. In the opinion of Dora Helen Annette Austin, this branch of the Austin family was more intellectually gifted than any other and Preston Bruce certainly had great abilities. She says of him that he was 'brilliant but unprincipled and married for money.' Wiltshire and Dunkin Austin had ten children:

- T511. WILTSHIRE STANTON JR., b. 28 January 1825, he died on 26 March 1826 in Waltham Abbey.
- T512. WILTSHIRE STANTON JR., born on 16 March 1826 in Waltham Abbey, he was educated at Exeter College, Oxford, receiving a B.A. degree in 1849. He became a barrister-at-law and is described as 'of Lincoln's Inn' in 1850. He owned Vaughan's Plantation of 92 acres in the parishes of St. Joseph and St. John. At some time he was a priest in Abbott's Waltham, Essex and he may also have been a journalist. He wrote under the pseudonym of V. Dayrell and edited 'Weeds from the Isis', a miscellany of prose and verse by a few Oxonians, published by Blackwoods, London in 1856. Wiltshire Stanton Austin died in London in 1875.
- T513. PRESTON BRUCE, born 9 December 1827 in Llwydcoed, Aberdare, Glamorgan, Wales +
- T514. FRANCIS WEBSTER, born 4 February 1829 in Clapham, Surrey, England. +
- T515. JOHN BIRD SUMNER, born 24 March 1830 in Walton, Yorkshire, England. +
- T516. RICHARD, b. 2 December 1833 in Stainton, Pembrokeshire, South Wales. +
- T517. MARY ISABELLA, b. 6 May 1836 in Milford Haven, Pembrokeshire, Wales. She died on 10 May 1857 and was buried in Highgate Cemetery.
- T518. CHARLES ALLEYNE SUMNER, b. 17 January 1838 in St. John's Parish, Barbados. Strangely enough for a clergyman's child, he was not baptised until he was three years old on 5 September 1841, by which time the family had returned to Wales. He was a brilliant scholar of whom his family was very proud and T342 J.G.A. remarks wistfully: 'Ah, Belle, I wish you had a brother like that fellow. How I wish I possessed one tenth of his amount of brain!' Charles never returned to the West Indies, but became a Senior Fellow of St. John's Cambridge. In those days Fellows were not allowed to marry. He died 3 May 1903 at Boar's Hill, Oxford, and is buried in Oxford.
- T519. SARAH FRANCES, born on 24 January 1840, she was christened on 5 September 1841 in Johnston, Pembrokeshire, Wales. She was always known as 'Tal' and is referred to thus by J.G.A. She was the only surviving daughter of Wiltshire Stanton Austin in the large family of sons. In 1860 she went to Barbados on a visit to her brother, Preston, who was already married and with a growing family of boys. She knew J.G.A.'s sister Belle in London, to whom he writes of the arrival in Barbados: 'Tal landed on Dec. 5th after a long and very dull passage. She is well and enjoys the climate excessively now that the cool weather has set in. It is certainly in the shade one of the most delicious climates in the world.' However a little later he reports: 'Tal's feet are so swollen with mosquito bites that she can't get on her boots.' Tal and J.G.A. soon struck up a friendship and in his next letter he says 'Tal and I have already opened terms of confidence. She is such

a thoroughly sensible girl that you can't talk the usual twaddle that is used by Bims and I anticipate much pleasure from her society', adding sadly 'how I wish I were in a position to have you to stay out here with me for a few more months.' He does not appear to have fallen in love with Tal: perhaps she was too 'sensible' and anyway his salary then was only £150 per annum. Preston would obviously not approve of such a match for his only sister! Christmas 1860 was spent by J.G.A. with Preston, Annie and Tal at St. James. On Christmas Eve the young clerk hurried through his work at Cavan's, which had included boarding a steamer, and drove from Bridgetown with his carriage full of greenery for decorations. Having stayed up till 2 a.m. adorning the church (Preston and Annie had retired), he and Tal were up again at 5 a.m. to do the same in the house. An innovation and highlight of the service conducted by Preston, the new incumbent, was to be the singing of a hymn which J.G.A. and Tal had practised. 'Singing is a thing unknown in this neglected parish so that it was a bold business. Preston was to start us with a tuning fork, but the fellow struck the wrong end, so no sound came. When it did at last, the fork caught in his surplice and the sound suddenly stopped. You can imagine the astonishment of the congregation. At last, out we came, both in a different key and the first four lines were sung as discordantly as possible. We got right, however, after that and Preston said that the last two verses sounded very well... I was completely done up after the Christmas dinner and plum pudding and turned in early, but was up early the next morning to return to town.' Things were not too easy at the Rectory, perhaps Annie was a little jealous of Tal's popularity, for J.G.A. reports later: 'Tal was too wide-awake a girl to quarrel with Annie. At the same time there was no love lost between them.' In March the following year he writes: 'Tal sailed away in the steamer yesterday for Demerara. I shall miss her when I go to Preston's for we are great friends.' In Demerara Tal stayed with her brother Francis and Jo who had now been married three years. She planned to go home in August but 'Francis says there is a chance of her remaining with him while poor Jo is away.' Poor Jo was evidently in bad health but survived another six years until she was in her thirties. In the event Tal went home as planned. On her return to England she saw a good deal of Belle, then living in Porchester Terrace whilst 'Papa' was away in China. Eventually Tal followed the family church tradition and entered the Anglican Convent of St. Peter's in Kilburn, and in due course she became its Mother Superior. She died in 1904, two years after her old friend J.G.A.

T51A. WARE PLUMTRE., born 29 January 1842 in Milford, Pembrokeshire, Wales +

T54. MARY JANE³ AUSTIN (*Richard*,² *Thomas*¹) was born and christened on 15 September 1802. She was married in Saint Andrew's Parish in Barbados on 21 December 1833 to Rev. Benjamin Fuller Tuckniss of Demerara. He was born in 1806 and was at Saint Catherine's College, Cambridge during 1826-1831 (his brother-in-law, Charles Adye Austin, was also there during the same period). Benjamin became parish curate at Raskelf, Yorkshire, where he officiated at the baptism in 1832 of his nephew

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**SOME AUSTIN NEWSPAPER
OBITUARIES PUBLISHED IN 1999**

by Walter E. Styles

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- Mary (Rawlins) Austin** age 89 b. Ruffin NC d. Danville VA
Danville Register and Bee, Danville VA 1 January 1999
- Mollie Austin** age 72 d. Phoenix AZ
Arizona Republic, Phoenix AZ 1 January 1999
- Blanche Kitt (Hodge) (Laird) Austin** age 76 b. Walkerville MT d. SLC UT
The Salt Lake Tribune, Salt Lake City UT 2 January 1999
- Lillian (Austin) Stanulonis** age 78 d. Lowell MA
Lowell Sun, Lowell MA 2 January 1999
- Brent Eugene (Alberth) Austin** age 21 d. Janesville WI
The Janesville Gazette, Janesville WI +3 January 1999
- Delva E. (Loon) Austin** age 83 b. Brooks ME d. Athol MA
Worcester Telegram & Gazette, Worcester MA 3 January 1999
- Glenda Gale (Gable) Austin** age 77 d. Ellsworth KS
The Hutchinson News, Hutchinson KS 3 January 1999
- Olive Ione (Brown) Austin** age 90 d. Salt Lake City UT
The Salt Lake Tribune, Salt Lake City UT 3 January 1999
- Helen Mae (Simmons) (Smith) Austin** age 77 d. Huntsville AL
The Huntsville Times, Huntsville AL 1999 5 January 1999
- Helen Mae (Smith) Austin** age 77 d. Huntsville AL
The Times-Daily, Florence AL 5 January 1999
- William Ephraim Austin** age 78 d. Waterloo ON
The Kitchener-Waterloo Record, Kitchener ON 5 January 1999
- Bertha S. (Strader) Austin** age 96 d. Louisville KY
The Courier-Journal, Louisville KY 6 January 1999
- Ardean (Austin) (Short) Freelon** age 78 b. Brownsville TN d. Monroe MI
Monroe Evening News, Monroe MI 6 January 1999
- Robert Osten** age 85 b. Winnipeg MB d. Toronto ON
The Globe and Mail, Toronto ON 6 January 1999
- Robert Osten** age 85 d. Toronto ON
The Toronto Star, Toronto ON 6 January 1999
- Robert Osten** age 85 b. Winnipeg MB d. Toronto ON
The Edmonton Journal, Edmonton AB +7 January 1999
- Harriet D. (Burns) Austin** age 54 d. Grand Rapids MI
Grand Rapids Press, Grand Rapids MI 7 January 1999
- Miriam May () Austin** d. Fenwick ON
The Evening Tribune, Welland ON 7 January 1999
- Robert Lee Austin** age 60 d. Omaha NE
Omaha World-Herald, Omaha NE +7 January 1999
- Agnes Isobel (MacKey) Austin** age 72 b. Vancouver BC d. Humbolt SK
The Vancouver Sun, Vancouver BC 8 January 1999
- Agnes Isobel (MacKey) (Tritchler) Austin** age 82 d. Humbolt SK
The Province, Vancouver BC 8 January 1999
- Florence (Austin) (Harris) Bickford** 79 b. Wells River VT d. Augusta ME
Sun Journal, Lewiston ME 8 January 1999
- Nellie Jane (Austin) Earonhart** age 85 d. Belfast TN
The Tennessean, Nashville TN 8 January 1999
- James T. Austin** age 76 d. Pinehurst NC
The Fayetteville Observer-Times, Fayetteville NC 10 January 1999
- June (Burr) Austin** age 75 d. Youngstown OH
The Vindicator, Youngstown OH 11 January 1999
- Helen L. (Austen) (Treheway) Frohnert** d. Walpole MA
The Boston Globe, Boston MA +11 January 1999

- Hilda Austin Hamlett**
The Washington Post, Washington DC 11 January 1999
- Addie Lou (Smith) Austin** age 83 d. Lenoir NC
Charlotte Observer, Charlotte NC 12 January 1999
- Eleanor (Johnson) Austin** age 89 d. Worcester MA
The Boston Globe, Boston MA 12 January 1999
- Eleanor (Johnson) Austin** age 89 d. Worcester MA
Worcester Telegram & Gazette, Worcester MA 12 January 1999
- Junior "Dale" Austin** age 69 d. Morgantown WV
Dominion Post, Morgantown WV 12 January 1999
- Lena M. (Krepps) Austin** age 95 d. Gratiot County MI
Lansing State Journal, Lansing MI 12 January 1999
- Lloyd Alan Austin** age 69 d. Tampa FL
The Tampa Tribune, Tampa FL 13 January 1999
- Henry Edward "Harry" Austen** age 82 d. Phoenix AZ
Arizona Republic, Phoenix AZ +14 January 1999
- Nellie (Osteen) Harvey** age 95 d. Trenton FL
Gilchrist County Journal, Gilchrist County FL 14 January 1999
- Ruth (Tomson) Austin** age 81 d. Cape Elizabeth ME
Portland Press Herald, Portland ME 15 January 1999
- Oscar Evert Austin** age 80 b. Nez Perce ID d. Corvallis OR
Albany Democrat-Herald, Albany OR 16 January 1999
- Oscar Evert Austin** age 80 b. Nez Perce ID d. Lebanon OR
Lebanon Express, Lebanon OR 27 January 1999
- Fernetta T. () Austin** age 92 d. Pecos TX
Odessa American, Odessa TX +17 January 1999
- Marcelle "Sally" (Austen) May** age 87 d. Ottawa ON
The Ottawa Citizen, Ottawa ON 17 January 1999
- Mary (Baker) Austin** age 77 d. Jenison MI
Grand Rapids Press, Grand Rapids MI 17 January 1999
- Mattie L. (Austin) Green** d. Newark NJ
Newark Star-Ledger, Newark NJ 17 January 1999
- Clarence "Jim" Austin** age 67 d. Worcester MA
Worcester Telegram & Gazette, Worcester MA 18 January 1999
- Clifford Mason Austin** age 72 d. Jacksonville FL
The Florida Times-Union, Jacksonville FL 19 January 1999
- Fernetta T. () Austin** age 92 d. Pecos TX
San Angelo Standard-Times, San Angelo TX 19 January 1999
- Frederick L. Austin Jr.** age 54 d. Browns Mills NJ
The Times, Trenton NJ 19 January 1999
- Frederick L. Austin Jr.** age 54 d. Browns Mills NJ
The Trentonian, Trenton NJ 19 January 1999
- Connie L. (LeLorenzo) Austin** age 50 d. Milwaukee WI
The Janesville Gazette, Janesville WI 20 January 1999
- Dr. Richard P. Austin** age 88 d. Bedford IN
Bedford Times-Mail, Bedford IN 20 January 1999
- Thelma (Lee) (Piper) Austin** age 67 b. Deemston PA d. Sacramento CA
The Sacramento Bee, Sacramento CA 21 January 1999
- William R. Austin** age 78 b. Yakima WA d. Hemet CA
The Hemet News, Hemet CA 21 January 1999
- Robert W. Austin** d. Ellicott City MD
The Baltimore Sun, Baltimore MD 22 January 1999
- Robert W. Austin** d. Howard Co MD
The Washington Post, Washington DC 22 January 1999
- Ruby A. (Austin) Philson** age 89 b. Greenville SC d. Augusta GA
Augusta Chronicle, Augusta GA 23 January 1999
- Rev. John Osteen** age 77 d. Houston TX
The Logan Banner, Logan WV 24 January 1999
- Pastor John H. Osteen** age 77 d. 23 January in Houston TX
Houston Chronicle, Houston TX 26 January 1999
- John Osteen** age 77 d. Houston TX
The Mercury News, San Jose CA 27 January 1999
- Harris Monroe "Red" Austin** age 78 b. Lincoln NE d. Frederick MD
The Washington Post, Washington DC 24 January 1999
- Harris Monroe "Red" Austin** age 79 b. Lincoln NE d. Frederick MD
The Columbian, Vancouver WA 14 March 1999
- Wilbur Norwood Austin Sr.** age 68 d. Norfolk VA
Coastland Times, Outer Banks NC 24 January 1999
- Wilbur Norwood Austin Sr.** age 68 d. Norfolk VA
Outer Banks Sentinel, Nags Head NC 28 January 1999
- Hattie Louise (Austin) Culver** age 85 d. Overland Park KS
St. Joseph News-Press, St. Joseph MO 24 January 1999

- Anita (Lynch) Austin** age 65 d. Palmyra NY
Canandaigua Daily Messenger, Canandaigua NY 25 January 1999
- Beatrice (Wilson) Austin** d. Richmond VA
Richmond Times-Dispatch, Richmond VA 26 January 1999
- Georgia V. (Russell) Austin** age 88 d. Deerwood MN
Republican Eagle, Red Wing MN 26 January 1999
- Georgia V. () Austin** age 88 d. Deerwood MN
The San Diego Union-Tribune, San Diego CA 1 February 1999
- Grace Pike () Austin** age 80 d. Jacksonville FL
The Florida Times-Union, Jacksonville FL 26 January 1999
- Victoria Austin** age 87 d. Hatteras NC
Coastland Times, Outer Banks NC 26 January 1999
- Victoria Austin** age 87 d. Hatteras NC
Outer Banks Sentinel, Nags Head NC 28 January 1999
- Vera R (Austin) Dickau** age 77 d. Williams Bay WI
The Journal Times, Racine WI 26 January 1999
- Helen (Staley) (Austin) Disedare** age 68 b. Washington PA d. Orange TX
Beaumont Enterprise, Beaumont TX 26 January 1999
- Demetrio R. "Mitch" Austin** age 73 d. San Jose CA
The Mercury News, San Jose CA 27 January 1999
- Glenna M. (Carey) Austin** age 60 b. Bruceton Mills WV d. Warren OH
The Vindicator, Youngstown OH 27 January 1999
- Louise (Cristinziani) Astone** age 78 b. Italy d. Orange NJ
Newark Star-Ledger, Newark NJ 27 January 1999
- Donald William Austin** age 80 d. Anderson IN
Anderson Herald Bulletin, Anderson IN 28 January 1999
- Stanley W. Austin** age 93 d. Pontiac IL
Daily Leader, Pontiac IL +28 January 1999
- Stanley W. Austin** age 93 d. Pontiac IL
The Pantagraph, Bloomington IL 30 January 1999
- Fred B. Austin** age 68 d. Jewett City CT
The Hartford Courant, Hartford CT 30 January 1999
- Georgia A. () Austin** age 72 b. Estherville IA d. Lake Wales FL
The Ledger, Lakeland FL +30 January 1999
- Norman W. Austin** age 66 d. Chico CA
Chico Enterprise Record, Chico CA 30 January 1999
- Robert O. Austin** age 79 b. Bay City MI d. Clearwater FL
The Tampa Tribune, Tampa FL 30 January 1999
- Leigh Van Osten** age 62 d. Ridley Park PA
Delaware County Daily Times, Primos PA +30 January 1999
- Wilbur Austin Sr.**
Coastland Times, Outer Banks NC 31 January 1999
- Aubrey Ingle Austin** age 70 b. Halifax County VA d. Lakeland FL
The Ledger, Lakeland FL 31 January 1999
- Aubrey Ingle "Sonny" Austin** age 70 b. Halifax County VA d. Lakeland FL
The Gazette-Virginian, South Boston VA 3 February 1999
- Deanna (Allison) Austin** age 74 d. Sparta TN
The Tennessean, Nashville TN 1 February 1999
- Lynn Marie (Austin) Friese** age 37 d. Sylvania GA
Savannah Morning News, Savannah GA 1 February 1999
- Lynn Marie (Austin) Friese** age 37 d. Sylvania GA
Statesboro Herald, Statesboro GA 1 February 1999
- Lynn M. (Austin) Friese** age 37 d. Savannah GA
Augusta Chronicle, Augusta GA 1 February 1999
- Harry E. Austin** age 93 d. Wayne City IL
Evansville Courier & Press, Evansville IN 2 February 1999
- Rosemary Austin** age 52 d. Harrisonville MO
The Kansas City Star, Kansas City MO 2 February 1999
- Gertrude S. () Austin** age 91 d. Dartmouth MA
The Standard-Times, New Bedford MA 3 February 1999
- Harold Buford "Harry O" Austin** age 57 d. Jefferson City MO
Unterrified Democrat, Linn MO 3 February 1999
- William Gerard Austin** age 42 d. Seaford NY
Newsday (Nassau Co. Edition), Long Island NY 3 & 26 February 1999
- Paul Harold Austin** age 68 d. Union SC
Herald-Journal, Spartanburg SC 5 February 1999
- Walker Lee Austin** d. Richmond VA
Richmond Times-Dispatch, Richmond VA +5 February 1999
- Geraldine (Austin) Dillard** age 72 d. Roanoke VA
The Roanoke Times & World News, Roanoke VA 8 February 1999
- George C. Austin** age 90 d. Chambersburg PA
The Herald-Mail, Hagerstown MD 9 February 1999
- Thomas E. Austin** d. WA
The Seattle Post-Intelligencer, Seattle WA 9 February 1999
- Thomas E. Austin** age 81 d. Seattle WA
The Seattle Times, Seattle WA 9 February & 15 March 1999
- Edwin Trent Austin Sr.** age 49 b. Glendale CA d. Jacksonville FL
The Florida Times-Union, Jacksonville FL 9 February 1999
- Alsace Lorraine (Austin) (Smith) (Alvis) (O'Connor) Boehme** 77 d. TX
Houston Chronicle, Houston TX 10 February 1999
- Miss Terrie Austin** age 17 d. Charlotte NC
The Star, Shelby NC 11 February 1999
- Stanley S. Austin** age 66 b. Van Hornesville NY d. Cocoa FL
Florida Today, Melbourne FL 11 February 1999
- Joseph Benjamin Ostin** age 89 d. New Bedford MA
The Standard-Times, New Bedford MA 11 February 1999
- Arthur Kenneth Austen** d. Halifax NS
Halifax Daily News, Halifax NS +12 February 1999
- Arthur Kenneth Austen** d. Halifax NS
The Chronicle-Herald, Halifax NS 12 February 1999
- Carrie Anne Austin** age 17 b. Coudersport PA d. Charlotte NC
The Star, Shelby NC 12 February 1999
- Odessa () Austin** age 78 d. Memphis TX
The Paris News, Paris TX 12 February 1999
- Richard Eugene Austin** age 77 b. Three Rivers MI d. Escondido CA
North County Times, Escondido CA 13 February 1999
- Tom J. Austin** age 50 d. Nashville TN
The Paducah Sun, Paducah KY 13 February 1999
- Warren Henry Austin** age 71 d. Sun City AZ
Arizona Republic, Phoenix AZ 13 February 1999
- Laurence M. Austin** age 82 d. Yuma AZ
The Yuma Daily Sun, Yuma AZ 17 February 1999
- Opal (McKinney) Austin** age 88 d. Rocky Mount LA
The Times, Shreveport LA 17 February 1999
- Don M. Austin** age 86 d. WA
Skagit Valley Herald, Mt Vernon WA 18 February 1999
- Elsie Austin** age 61 d. Tampa FL
The Tampa Tribune, Tampa FL 18 February 1999
- R. Norman Austin** age 87 d. Vineland NJ
The Press of Atlantic City, Atlantic City NJ 19 February 1999
- Harold Austin** age 94 d. Wapello IA
Quad-City Times, Davenport IA 20 February 1999
- Irma Ruth (Ford) Austin** age 85 d. Corydon IN
New Albany Tribune, New Albany IN +22 February 1999
- Irma Ruth (Ford) Austin** age 85 d. Indianapolis IN
Corydon Democrat, Corydon IN 24 February 1999
- John Austin** age 76 d. Ottawa ON
The Ottawa Citizen, Ottawa ON 22 February 1999
- Sara E. (Lenhart) Austin** age 94 d. Lewistown PA
The Sentinel, Lewistown PA 22 February 1999
- Kenneth J. Austin Sr.** age 74 b. Valley Stream NY d. Atlanta GA
The Greenville Herald-Banner, Greenville TX 23 February 1999
- Doris May () (Donn) Austin** age 64 b. Los Angeles CA d. Las Vegas NV
Las Vegas Review-Journal, Las Vegas NV 24 February 1999
- Doris May () (Donn) Austin** age 64 b. Los Angeles CA d. Las Vegas NV
Las Vegas Sun, Las Vegas NV 24 February 1999
- Fred W. Austin** age 78 d. Lorain OH
The Morning Journal, Lorain OH 24 February 1999
- Helen M. (Bradbury) Austin** d. Reading MA
The Boston Globe, Boston MA 24 February 1999
- Kennerd Austin** age 65 b. Logan UT d. Overland Park KS
The Kansas City Star, Kansas City MO 24 February 1999
- Venna (Sherman) (Nay) Austin** age 90 d. Richfield UT
The Salt Lake Tribune, Salt Lake City UT 24 February 1999
- Reed Austin Jr.** age 66 d. Phoenix AZ
Arizona Republic, Phoenix AZ 25 February 1999
- Edna M. (Osteen) Morgan** age 65 d. Albia IA
Des Moines Register, Des Moines IA 25 February 1999
- A. Catherine (Moler) Austin** age 87 d. Chambersburg PA
The Journal, Martinsburg WV 26 February 1999
- A. Catherine (Moler) (Jones) Austin** age 87 d. Chambersburg PA
The Herald-Mail, Hagerstown MD 26 February 1999
- Nannie E. (Snoddy) Austin** age 92 d. Erin TN
Leaf Chronicle, Clarksville TN 26 February 1999

- Robert A. Austin** age 45 d. Ann Arbor MI
The Macomb Daily, Mount Clemens MI 27 February 1999
- Stanley L. Austin** age 59 d. Bellevue NE
Omaha World-Herald, Omaha NE +27 February 1999
- Willie Mai (Hudson) (Newberry) Austin** age 93 d. Macon County TN
The Tennessean, Nashville TN 27 February 1999
- James William Austin** age 67 d. Pulaski VA
Martinsville Bulletin, Martinsville VA 28 February 1999
- James William Austin** age 67 d. Pulaski VA
The Enterprise, Stuart VA 3 March 1999
- Elie "Eli" Austin Jr.** age 83 d. Waterloo IA
Waterloo-Cedar Falls Courier, Waterloo IA 28 February 1999
- Ellen A. (Whitman) Austin** age 85 d. Norway ME
Portland Press Herald, Portland ME 1 March 1999
- Ellen A. (Whitman) Austin** age 85 d. Fryeburg ME
Sun Journal, Lewiston ME 1 March 1999
- James B. Austin** age 65 d. Bushnell FL
Leesburg Daily Commercial, Leesburg FL 2 March 1999
- Rachel Leona (Austin) Buchanan** age 71 d. Conover NC
The News & Observer, Raleigh NC 2 March 1999
- Bertha (Day) Austin** age 64 d. Knoxville TN
The Knoxville News-Sentinel, Knoxville TN 3 March 1999
- Edith J. Austin** age 75 d. Lsa Cruces NM
The Kansas City Star, Kansas City MO 3 March 1999
- Derek Tracy Austin** age 80 d. Kingston ON
The Kingston Whig-Standard, Kingston ON +3 March 1999
- Derek Tracy Austin** age 80 d. Kingston ON
The Ottawa Citizen, Ottawa ON 4 March 1999
- Pat L. Austin** age 69 d. Wichita Falls TX
Wichita Falls Times Record News, Wichita Falls TX 4 March 1999
- Joseph W. Austin** d. Malden MA
The Boston Globe, Boston MA +5 March 1999
- Frank LeRoy Austin** age 69 d. Mulhurst AB
The Edmonton Journal, Edmonton AB 6 March 1999
- Ruth Austin** age 82 d. Gonvick MN
Grand Forks Herald, Grand Forks ND 6 March 1999
- Henriette E. "Aunty Yette" "Omah" () Austen** age 96 d. Honolulu HI
Honolulu Star Bulletin, Honolulu HI +6 March 1999
- Henriette Eckart () Austen** d. HI
Honolulu Advertiser, Honolulu HI 7 March 1999
- Lucia Austin** age 90 d. Spokane WA
The Spokesman-Review, Spokane WA +7 March 1999
- Zena (Gilkeson) Austin** age 81 d. Fairfield VA
The Roanoke Times & World News, Roanoke VA 8 March 1999
- Daniel Austin** age 74 d. Maxton NC
The Fayetteville Observer-Times, Fayetteville NC 9 March 1999
- Lorraine L. () Austin** age 86 d. San Diego CA
The San Diego Union-Tribune, San Diego CA 10 March 1999
- Dorothy I. () (Austin) Gant** age 91 d. Clayton GA
The Huntsville Times, Huntsville AL 11 March 1999
- Robert Anthony "Roboat" Austin** age 23 d. Lima OH
The Lima News, Lima OH +12 March 1999
- Henry A. Austin** age 65 d. Bastian VA
Bluefield Daily Telegraph, Bluefield WV 14 March 1999
- Shirley Jean (Pincock) Austin** age 71 b. Chicago IL d. Salt Lake City UT
The Deseret News, Salt Lake City UT 14 March 1999
- Shirley Jean (Pincock) Austin** age 71 b. Chicago IL d. Salt Lake City UT
The Salt Lake Tribune, Salt Lake City UT 14 March 1999
- Diane Doris (LaBarre) Austin**
Los Angeles Times, Los Angeles CA 16 March 1999
- Lois (Austin) Carrigan** age 88 d. Gastonia NC
The Gaston Gazette, Gastonia NC 18 March 1999
- Earl Austin Sr.** age 81 b. Eufaula OK d. Dos Palos CA
Merced Sun-Star, Merced CA 20 March 1999
- Maxine (Rozell) Austin** age 74 d. Huntsville AL
The Huntsville Times, Huntsville AL 23 March 1999
- Joan Mercy (Atencio) Austin** age 41 d. Montrose CO
Daily Press, Victorville CA +23 March 1999
- Eleanor E. "Tiny" (Austin) Gile** d. Merrillan WI
Banner Journal, Black River Falls WI 25 March 1999
- Eleanor Elizabeth (Austin) Gile** age 85 d. Black River Falls WI
La Crosse Tribune, La Crosse WI +27 March 1999
- Eleanor Elizabeth "Tiny" (Austin) Gile** age 85 d. Black River Falls WI
Eau Claire Leader-Telegram, Eau Claire WI 28 March 1999
- Ann () Austin** age 81 d. Factoryville PA
The Scranton Times, Scranton PA 27 March 1999
- Ollie Anna (Peterman) Austin** age 71 b. Topeka KS d. Mount Vernon MO
The Topeka Capital-Journal, Topeka KS 27 March 1999
- Ollie Anna (Peterman) Austin** age 71 d. Springfield MO
The Topeka Capital-Journal, Topeka KS 2 April 1999
- Scott F. Austin** age 71 b. Harrisburg PA d. Lake Alfred FL
The Ledger, Lakeland FL 27 March 1999
- Raymond Garwood Austin** age 63 d. Red Wing MN
Republican Eagle, Red Wing MN 29 March 1999
- Ruth (Gray) Austin** d. Bloomfield NJ
Newark Star-Ledger, Newark NJ 30 March 1999
- Lois C. () Austin** age 86 b. Omaha NE d. Las Vegas NV
Las Vegas Review-Journal, Las Vegas NV 30 March 1999
- Lois C. () Austin** age 86 b. Omaha NE d. Las Vegas NV
Las Vegas Sun, Las Vegas NV 30 March 1999
- Lois (Cornwall) Austin** age 86 b. Omaha NE d. Las Vegas NV
Reno Gazette-Journal, Reno NV 31 March 1999
- Hazel () Austin** age 84 d. Texarkana TX
Texarkana Gazette, Texarkana TX 30 March 1999
- Hazel () Austin** age 84 d. Lockesburg AR
DeQueen Bee, Sevier County AR 2 April 1999
- Clara (Davis) Austin** age 86 d. Galax VA
The Galax Gazette, Galax VA 31 March 1999
- Ronald Cleotha Austin**
The Washington Post, Washington DC 1 April 1999
- Hollis Austin** age 89 d. Orange TX
Beaumont Enterprise, Beaumont TX 2 April 1999
- Lois M. (Draggs) Austin** age 90 d. Lancaster WI
Wisconsin State Journal, Madison WI 2 April 1999
- Lois M. (Draggs) Austin** d. Lancaster WI
Fennimore Times, Fennimore WI 8 April 1999
- Donna L. (Pickard) Austin** age 56 b. Phoenix NY d. Augusta GA
Augusta Chronicle, Augusta GA 3 April 1999
- Robert Lewis Austin** age 70 d. Evans CO
Denver Rocky Mountain News, Denver CO 5 April 1999
- Vida (Logan) Austin** age 88 d. Welland ON
The Evening Tribune, Welland ON +6 April 1999
- Vida (Logan) Austin** age 88 d. Welland ON
The Toronto Star, Toronto ON 6 April 1999
- Ila (Wave) Austin** age 84 b. Omaha IL d. Walnut Creek CA
Contra Costa Times, Contra Costa County CA 6 April 1999
- Ila Clark Austin** age 84 d. Carmi IL
Evansville Courier & Press, Evansville IN 7 April 1999
- Melba Joyce (Austin) Jones**
The Washington Post, Washington DC 8 April 1999
- Alice S. Austin** age 85 d. Geneseo NY
The Buffalo News, Buffalo NY 9 April 1999
- Everett James Austin** age 79 d. West Roxbury MA
The Boston Globe, Boston MA 11 April 1999
- Jean Austin** d. Roxbury MA
The Boston Globe, Boston MA 11 April 1999
- Thomas Moody Austin** age 87 d. Fuquay-Varina NC
The News & Observer, Raleigh NC 12 April 1999
- Astrid R. (Johnson) Austin** age 89 d. St. Helens OR
The Oregonian, Portland OR 13 April 1999
- Lisa Gail (Brown) Austin** age 36 b. Breckinridge Co. KY d. Charlotte NC
The Courier-Journal, Louisville KY 14 April 1999
- Dorothy V. (Goodwin) (Hisoire) Austin** age 81 d. Newport News VA
Worcester Telegram & Gazette, Worcester MA 15 April 1999
- Rodney Gene Austin** d. Baltimore MD
The Baltimore Sun, Baltimore MD 16 April 1999
- Mary E. (Romanowski) Austing** d. Roseville MN
Pioneer Press, St. Paul MN +16 April 1999
- Nicholas Austin** age 64 b. Chattanooga TN d. Mount Vernon NY
The Journal News, Westchester County NY 17 April 1999
- Hazel E. (Grimes) Austin** age 90 d. Elwood IN
New Albany Tribune, New Albany IN 18 April 1999
- Barrett E. "Barry" Austin II** age 58 b. Anderson IN d. Louisville KY
The Courier-Journal, Louisville KY +18 April 1999

- Lois Luvern Austin** age 74 b. Galena MO d. Vancouver WA
The Columbian, Vancouver WA +19 April 1999
- Lois Luvern (Harris) (Brisco) Austin** 74 b. Galena MO d. Vancouver WA
The Oregonian, Portland OR 22 April 1999
- Thelma Mabel (Austin) Anderson** age 69 d. Fremont NC
Addison County Independent, Middlebury VT 22 April 1999
- Rosa Blanche (Ballance) Austin** age 80 d. Nags Head NC
Coastland Times, Outer Banks NC 22 April 1999
- Ruby P. (Hayden) (Ledbetter) Austin** age 79 d. Calumet OK
The Geary Star, Geary OK 22 April 1999
- Eva E. (Brown) Austin** age 91 d. Plymouth MI
Canton Observer, Canton MI 22 April 1999
- Eveah E. (Austin) (Pearce) Donmoyer** age 91 d. Prophetstown IL
Quad-City Times, Davenport IA 25 April 1999
- Laura (Iford) Austin** age 82 b. West Chester PA d. Tazewell TN
The Knoxville News-Sentinel, Knoxville TN 23 April 1999
- Sarah (Nettles) (Mason) Austin** d. Scottsdale AZ
The Fayetteville Observer-Times, Fayetteville NC 23 April 1999
- Mary Ella (Wilson) Austin** age 86 d. Salem WV
Clarksburg Exponent Telegram, Clarksburg WV 24 April 1999
- Nancy Bell Austin** age 66 d. Norwich CT
Worcester Telegram & Gazette, Worcester MA 24 April 1999
- Oscar Webb Austin** age 86 d. Sugar Creek MO
The Examiner, Independence MO 24 April 1999
- Oscar Webb Austin** age 86 d. Sugar Creek MO
The Kansas City Star, Kansas City MO 25 April 1999
- Gene "Chris" Austin** age 51 d. MI
The News-Herald, Southgate MI 25 April 1999
- Daisy (Osteen) Cooke** age 84 d. Hilton Head SC
Savannah Morning News, Savannah GA 26 April 1999
- Don G. Austin** age 83 d. Albuquerque NM
Albuquerque Journal, Albuquerque NM 27 April 1999
- Edna Ellen (Perry) Austin** age 91 d. Duncan OK
The Lawton Constitution, Lawton OK 27 April 1999
- Ozzie Ulyss Austin** age 85 d. Rogers AR
The Morning News, Springdale AR 27 April 27
- Frances M. (Austin) Grimm** age 86 d. Morgantown WV
Dominion Post, Morgantown WV 30 April 30
- Frances M. (Austin) Grimm** age 86 d. Morgantown WV
Times West Virginian, Fairmont WV 30 April 30
- Frances M. (Austin) Grimm** age 86 d. Morgantown WV
Preston County News, Kingwood, WV 1 May 1999
- Ralph C. Austin** age 68 d. Florence AL
The Times-Daily, Florence AL 2 May 1999
- Nelson J. Austin** age 87 d. WA
The Seattle Post-Intelligencer, Seattle WA 3 May 1999
- Doris M. (Austin) Grady** age 81 b. Lowell MA d. Lewiston ME
Sun Journal, Lewiston ME 3 May 1999
- Isaac Earl Austin Sr.** age 68 d. Ludowici GA
Savannah Morning News, Savannah GA 4 May 1999
- Marion Alvin Austin** age 83 d. Mangum OK
Altus Times, Altus OK 5 May 1999
- Ronald Francis Austin** age 82 b. Los Angeles CA d. Ferndale WA
Bellingham Herald, Bellingham WA 5 May 1999
- Sara J. Austin** age 66
The Mercury News, San Jose CA 5 May 1999
- Sara June "Sue" () Austin** age 66 d. San Carlos CA
The Times-News, Twin Falls ID 5 May 1999
- Opal Mae (Osteen) (Burkett) Hall** age 66 d. Mountain View AR
Arkansas Democrat-Gazette, Little Rock AR 5 May 1999
- Annie A. (White) Austin** age 94 b. Red Bank NB d. Brunswick ME
Sun Journal, Lewiston ME 6 May 1999
- William A. Austin** age 69 d. Royal Oak MI
Ann Arbor News, Ann Arbor MI 7 May 1999
- Dr. Regina Mary Austin** age 78 b. Portland OR d. Arroyo Grande CA
The Tribune, San Luis Obispo CA 8 May 1999
- Cherry () Austin** age 92 b. Macon GA d. Las Vegas NV
Las Vegas Review-Journal, Las Vegas NV 11 May 1999
- Cherry () Austin** age 92 b. Macon GA d. Las Vegas NV
Las Vegas Sun, Las Vegas NV 11 May 1999
- Rodney J. Austin** age 27 d. Duxbury VT
The World, Barre VT 12 May 1999
- Helene May (Cotter) Austin** age 85 d. Seattle WA
Ravalli Republic, Hamilton MT 13 May 1999
- Allyn-Joy (Austin) Colborn** age 79 b. Fort Wayne IN d. CA
Los Angeles Times, Los Angeles CA 14 May 1999
- Edith () Austin** d. Winnipeg MB CAN
Regina Leader Post, Regina SK 15 May 1999
- Leona () Austin** age 94 d. Harrisburg PA
The Citizen's Voice, Wilkes-Barre PA 15 May 1999
- Scottie Austin** age 78 d. Dallas TX
Dallas Morning News, Dallas TX 15 May 1999
- Edna Louise (Austin) Crockett** age 90 b. Lincoln ID d. Salt Lake City UT
The Deseret News, Salt Lake City UT 15 May 1999
- Edna Louise (Austin) Crockett** age 90 b. Lincoln ID d. Salt Lake City UT
The Salt Lake Tribune, Salt Lake City UT 15 May 1999
- Patricia () Austen** d. Toronto ON
The Toronto Sun, Toronto ON 16 May 1999
- Bernice (Tann) Austin** age 79 d. Moncks Corner SC
The Post and Courier, Charleston SC 16 May 1999
- Harvey C. Austin** age 80 d. Knoxville TN
The Knoxville News-Sentinel, Knoxville TN +16 May 1999
- Mary Louise "Sissy" (Sisk) Austin** age 75 d. Scottsboro AL
The Huntsville Times, Huntsville AL 16 May 1999
- Debbie () Austin** age 45 d. Pine Bluff AR
Arkansas Democrat-Gazette, Little Rock AR 18 May 1999
- Eunice (Kramer) Austin** age 87 d. Umatilla FL
Leesburg Daily Commercial, Leesburg FL +19 May 1999
- Reginald Austin** age 80 d. San Antonio TX
San Antonio Express-News, San Antonio TX 19 May 1999
- Mabel Jean (Doxey) Austin** age 69 d. Currituck County NC
Coastland Times, Outer Banks NC 20 May 1999
- Roy (Salton) (Osteen) Brunken** age 82 b. Burlington IA d. Northridge CA
The Hawk Eye, Burlington IA 20 May 1999
- Helen () Austin** age 87 d. Tavares FL
Leesburg Daily Commercial, Leesburg FL 25 May 1999
- Elizabeth Marie Austin** d. Saint Petersburg VA (sic)
Evansville Courier & Press, Evansville IN 26 May 1999
- Harold E. Austin** age 83
The Cincinnati Post / Enquirer, Cincinnati OH 26 May 1999
- Dotsie (Dillon) Austin** age 86 d. Wirtz VA
The Roanoke Times & World News, Roanoke VA 27 May 1999
- Thomas Lee Austin** age 61 d. Dover TN
Leaf Chronicle, Clarksville TN 27 May 1999
- Allen Jefferson Austin Sr.** age 97 d. DeSoto Parish LA
The Times, Shreveport LA 28 May 1999
- Mildred Austin** age 79 d. Wichita Falls TX
Wichita Falls Times Record News, Wichita Falls TX 29 May 1999
- John E. "Nub" Austin**
The Washington Post, Washington DC 30 May 1999
- Emma N. "Emily" (Horn) Austin** age 82 d. Ocala FL
Ocala Star-Banner, Ocala FL +1 June 1999
- Helen (Cozens) Austin** d. Cambridge ON
The Kitchener-Waterloo Record, Kitchener ON 1 June 1999
- Max Osten** d. BC
The Province, Vancouver BC 1 June 1999
- Max Osten** d. Vancouver BC
The Vancouver Sun, Vancouver BC 1 June 1999
- Minerva (Agostini) Austin** age 79 b. Durado PR d. Wallingford CT
The Meriden Record-Journal, Meriden CT +1 June 1999
- Minerva (Agostini) Austin** age 79 d. Wallingford CT
The New Haven Register, New Haven CT 2 June 1999
- Charlotte Marie Austin** d. Sharon PA
The Herald, Sharon PA +1 June 1999
- Charlotte Marie Austin** d. Sharon PA
The Vindicator, Youngstown OH 2 June 1999
- George A. Austin** age 74 d. St. Petersburg FL
The Roanoke Times & World News, Roanoke VA 2 June 1999
- Rebecca Ann (Austin) Galentine** age 28 b. Washington DC d. Seattle WA
The News Tribune, Tacoma WA 2 June 1999
- Rebecca Ann (Galentine) "Becky" Austin** 28 b. Washington DC d. Seattle WA
The Seattle Times, Seattle WA 2 June 1999

**SALLY AUSTIN DAY
RECEIVES EAGLE AWARD AT THE
2003 NATIONAL AUSTIN CONVENTION**

The prestigious Austin Genealogical Research Award is presented annually at the National Austin Convention by the Austins of America Genealogical Society (AOAGS). Sometimes referred to as the "Eagle Award," it was established early in 1997 to "recognize those AOAGS members who have made significant contributions to publishing Austin genealogical research." The 2003 Eagle was presented to Sally Austin Day of Livonia, Michigan for her numerous articles contributed to the AOAGS newsletter *Austins of America*. Sally has served as an Associate Editor of the newsletter since February 1989.

Sally B. Austin was born 28 January 1926 in Stewart County, Tennessee, the daughter of Brock Austin and Jennie Street. If she were running for political office she could truthfully assert "I was born in a log cabin" for her parents lived in a three-room log cabin on the farm of her grandfather John F. Austin. Her father farmed, while his older brothers Carson and Roe Austin worked with their father at their sawmill and gristmill. Saturday was set aside for grinding corn into meal for their neighbors.

When her grandfather died in 1926 the farm was sold to settle the estate, and her family moved to Clarksville, Tennessee, where her maternal grandparents Otis and Sally (Malone) Street had moved six months earlier. Her only sibling was her brother Brock Austin, Jr. He had ear problems from birth and eventually lost almost all his hearing. Sally and Brock developed their own sign language. When they didn't want adults or anyone else overhearing their conversations they spoke with their hands. With the newer and better hearing-aides, Brock now has some hearing and gets along very well in the hearing world. He is married, retired, and living in Lincoln City, Oregon. He and Sally now talk by e-mail!

The Cumberland River flooded and her father's job at a lumberyard on River Road went floating down the river. In 1930 the family moved to Michigan, where Henry Ford was offering \$5 a day for workers. Sally's Uncle Sterling and Aunt Ruth (Street) Jones, had moved to Detroit the year before, and Sterling was working at the Ford Rouge Plant. Sally's family lived in Detroit until 1938. She remembers shopping at Hudson's Department Store, riding the Bob-lo boat and eating at Greenfields, all of which are gone now. Some Sundays the family rode out to Belle Isle for a picnic lunch. It was a special treat crossing the Ambassador Bridge and visiting a foreign country, Canada. On the way home they often stopped at Vernors on Woodward for ginger ale. Everyone met their dates after

AOA Photo 831

**Sally B. Austin Day of Livonia, Michigan receives the
AOAGS 2003 Austin Genealogical Research Award
from AOAGS Director Dr. Michael Edward Austin.**

work "under the clock at Kerns" on Woodward Avenue. Sally and her brother started school in Detroit. She went to the neighborhood school while he attended the School for the Deaf. The family became homeowners when they moved to Livonia, Michigan in 1938. Schools were few and far between, so Sally rode six miles into Plymouth, Michigan. She graduated from Plymouth High School in 1944. The school placed her in a job in downtown Detroit at the old Pere Marquette Railroad, which later became part of the Chesapeake & Ohio system. Sally was in charge of tracking shipments for the war plants in and around Detroit. Her father worked for American Brake Shoe, making braking systems for the bombers being manufactured at the Willow Run Bomber Plant in Ypsilanti, Michigan. Sally's mother worked at a small tool shop stamping out rivets. Gas rationing during the war limited travel & vacations. In January 1945 her cousin James E. Sheppard was killed while serving in the Philippines. He was the only son of Sally's Uncle James and Aunt Aline (Street) Sheppard.

Sally met her husband Winfield S. Day toward the end of the war. He was an apprentice toolmaker working at the Willow Run Bomber Plant, getting the plant into operating and producing the B52 bomber. They were married on 1 September 1945, and had three children: a daughter Lynn D. Day born 20 April 1947, a son Jeffrey S. Day born 19 March 1952, and a son Patrick M. Day born 7 March 1956. By this time Livonia had become an up and coming city. They built their own home on land Sally's father gave them. Their children were within walking distance of grade school, middle school, and high school. Sally was a stay-at-home mom. She did volunteer work at the schools and different charities.

AOA Photo 832-1

Sally Austin Day belongs to the “Red Hat Society,” a national group of persons over 50 who wear red hats with purple outfits to teas, art museums and concerts!

AOA Photo 832-2

AOAGS Associate Editor Sally Austin Day & friends Melissa Elizabeth Austin & Patricia Biebuyck Austin (at right) celebrate Sally’s receiving the 2003 “Eagle Award” for her numerous *Austins of America* articles.

Winfield Day rose through the ranks to become plant manager of a small tool shop in Brighton, Michigan. He made regular trips to his home office in Fort Wayne, Indiana. Sally tagged along and spent her time in the genealogy section of the Allen County Public Library, which spurred her interest in family research.

Sally traced her Austin line from Tennessee to North Carolina and into Maryland. They had a love of the land and a curiosity that led them over the mountain to the next horizon. Most of the paper trail is missing. Sally’s mom Jennie died 17 August 1984. She was gregarious, and had an outgoing personality. Her hobbies included sewing and growing flowers. Her garden was a riot of color from early spring to the first snow. She had made a number of quilts, never selling them, but giving them to her grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Sally’s father, Brock Austin, lived to be 101. He was a remarkable man who died on 23 November 1999, just six weeks shy of having lived in three centuries. He lived alone in his own home, planted and tended a vegetable garden, and canned and froze all extra produce. He never got over the “Great Depression.” Brock gave up driving after a fender-bender when he was 90 years of age. He greeted 150 friends, neighbors and family members at his 100th birthday. His memory was remarkable, and he had a vault of stories to tell.

One story: His father was eight years old when the family fled Tennessee as the Civil War raged all over the south. His father rode on the back of the buck-wagon and could hear the sound of cannon firing in the distance, coming from Fort Donelson. They crossed the Ohio River at Paducah, Kentucky, and lived in Vienna, Illinois. John F. Austin’s sister Nancy Austin was born

in Illinois. They returned to Tennessee after the War. Sally Austin Day continues searching for her Austin immigrant, but her family arrived prior to the colonial era, so she needs a lot of luck or a miracle.

After Winfield Day’s retirement, he and Sally traveled, searching for their roots. His ancestor Robert Day was one of the founding fathers of Hartford, Connecticut. Winfield was an avid fisherman, they spent vacations at their summer home at Interlochen, Michigan. He died on 8 June 1992, one month short of his 70th birthday.

Today Sally’s children are all married, and she has six grandchildren. Her daughter Lynn lives in Traverse City, Michigan, where she is a teaching assistant. Sally’s son Jeffrey graduated from Michigan State at Lansing with a biology degree, he is a researcher at Upjohn/Pharmacia. Her youngest son Patrick lives in Sylvania, Ohio, and is regional sales manager for United Parcel Service.

Sally joined a seniors’ dance group “Boots in Motion” that performs at nursing homes, festivals and fairs, and recently she joined the “Red Hat Society.” Sally’s family, however, continues to be number one on her priority list.

**FIVE GENERATIONS OF
AUSTIN FIREFIGHTERS IN
HOLBROOK, MASSACHUSETTS**

by Donald Edroy Austin, Sr.

Editor's Note: This article concerns some descendants of Samuel and Hopestill Austin of Boston, Massachusetts (see *Austins of America* pages 8-10, 14-15). John Barker Austin was in the seventh generation. His direct Austin line: Frye⁶ Austin, Isaac⁵ Austin, Isaac⁴ Austin, Thomas³ Austin, Thomas² Austin, and Samuel¹ Austin.

The Austin legacy of five generations of firefighters began just seven years after the town of Holbrook, Massachusetts was incorporated in 1872. The 1879 records list John Barker Austin as a Foreman in the Holbrook Volunteer Fire Department. He may have served for over twenty years, but the old fire department records are spotty. Back then the firefighters were notified about a fire by the bell atop the Winthrop Congregational Church.

John Barker Austin's son, Edroy Wilfred Austin, followed in his father's footsteps and was the Fire Chief from 1905 to 1912. Edroy quit the fire department because the town would not vote him a new pay raise of \$25 dollars more per year. Edroy Austin also owned a peanut butter factory in Holbrook called 20th Century Peanut Butter. Before Holbrook had a motorized fire truck, the department had a horse-drawn apparatus. The horses were kept on Plymouth Street next to Edroy's peanut butter factory. When the alarm sounded someone would turn the horses loose and they would automatically run down to and back into the fire station. The harnesses would be dropped down onto the horses, then they would be hooked up, and off the firemen and horses would go. Family tradition has it that Edroy had ordered peanuts from Venezuela, and the ship bringing the peanuts was sunk by German torpedoes during the Great War. He was not insured and lost all his money, which was perhaps the reason the company went out of business.

Edroy Wilfred Austin's son, George Barker Austin was appointed to the fire department in 1929. Another of Edroy's sons, Wilfred D. Austin, was on the fire department for a short time in the 1940's. George Barker Austin served until his retirement in 1966.

George Barker Austin had two sons, Donald Edroy Austin and John Barker Austin, who also served in the Holbrook Fire Department. Sometimes their shifts would overlap, but not often. Donald joined as a call firefighter on 1 August 1952 and was appointed full time in 1959. John went in as an call firefighter on 31 October 1956 and was appointed full time in 1965. In 1965 George and his two sons all worked as Holbrook firefighters. In 1976 the fire department got its first ambulance, and both John and Donald were trained to be E.M.T's soon after its arrival.

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Top photograph is John Barker Austin, born 1847 in Salem, Rockingham County, New Hampshire.

The lower photograph is of Edroy Wilfred Austin, born 30 March 1875 in Candia, Rockingham County. He married Annie Davies 17 September 1902 in Holbrook. Edroy died 8 February 1931.

Donald Austin retired at the rank of Lieutenant in 1991 and John Austin retired in 1994. John has been married to his wife Rita since 1965. They have three grown children: Jeffrey, Brian, and Paula Austin. Donald E. Austin was married to Margarete Infinger for 42 years before she passed away in September 2000. The couple had two children: a son Donald Edroy Austin, Jr. who is a Lieutenant on the

AOA Photo 834-1

The Holbrook Fire House was built in 1881. It is shown here circa 1905 when Edroy Austin became Fire Chief.

Holbrook Fire Department, and a daughter Deborah Ann Austin, who is married to Ronald Keeman, a firefighter in Easton, Massachusetts.

Donald Edroy Austin, Jr. was hired onto the Holbrook call fire department in 1978, and was appointed full time in 1980. He is married to Sheleen Blume and they have four sons: Kevin, Christopher, Eric and Dylan Austin. Six Austins, covering five generations, have served the Town of Holbrook for a time span of over 130 years.

AOA Photo 834-2

Chief Edroy Wilfred Austin (at right) and Chick Lincoln (at left) with an early Holbrook motorized firetruck. The photograph was likely taken circa 1912.

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JANUARY 2004 NEWSLETTER

Y-CHROMOSOME DNA TESTING

Using Y-chromosome DNA for tracing paternal lines received wide publicity in November 1998 in the journal *Nature* when applied to alleged descendants of Thomas Jefferson and his slave Sally Hemings. Oral tradition among descendants of her putative son Thomas Woodson and her documented son Eston claimed that both were fathered by Jefferson. Jefferson's legitimate descendants attributed Eston's striking resemblance to Jefferson to the likelihood that Eston was fathered by one of the sons of Jefferson's sister, either Samuel or Peter Carr.

The Y-chromosome passes directly from father to son, so paternally related males will have identical or nearly identical Y-chromosomes. Jefferson left no direct male-line descendants, but the authors of the *Nature* article found that five male-line descendants of his paternal grandfather shared the same rare haplotype, common to only 0.1 per cent of the population. It was identical to the haplotype of an Eston Hemings male-line descendant, but did not match with that of four Thomas Woodson male line descendants, and did not match that of three Carr male-line descendants. The authors therefore concluded: "*The simplest and most probable explanations for our molecular findings are that Thomas Jefferson, rather than one of the Carr brothers, was the father of Eston Hemings Jefferson and that Thomas Woodson was not Thomas Jefferson's son.*"

Robert F. Turner criticized the *Nature* conclusion in a *Wall Street Journal* article "The Truth About Jefferson": "*The DNA evidence merely showed that Sally Hemings' youngest son, Eston, was likely fathered by one of more than two dozen Jefferson males in Virginia at the time.*"

Turner suggests that Thomas Jefferson's younger brother, Randolph Jefferson, "would seem to be a far more likely candidate for Eston's paternity than the aging president." Citing such possibilities, in May 2002 the Monticello Association (Thomas Jefferson descendants) subsequently denied membership to the descendants of Sally Hemings.

The controversy will continue, but genealogists can take some lessons away from all this. Y-chromosome DNA mismatches alone can *disprove* a connection between two lines, but Y-DNA matches must be combined with more traditional genealogical research and documentation in order to provide insight into the specific connection.

EARLY AUSTIN LINE DNA STUDIES

The first known Austin line DNA study was conducted in late 2001 and early 2002 by Beth Hirschman and Dr. Dan C. Wharton (an Austin descendant) and provided "an excellent degree of confidence" in a suspected connection between two Austin lines (see his article on page 857). In August 2003 some known and suspected descendants of Thomas Austin of Barbados participated in a second Y-DNA study organized by Dr. Roger Brian Austin of Cambridge, England (see his articles, pages 836 and 857).

AUSTIN-AUSTEN DNA PROJECT

Inspired by the Jefferson-Hemings case, the two earlier Austin line DNA studies, and a convention talk on DNA, AOAGS Director Dr. Michael Edward Austin envisioned a database characterizing each known Austin line by its earliest ancestor's Y-chromosome DNA, and he set up the *Austin-Austen DNA Project* at FamilyTreeDNA.com. For each line Y-DNA samples would be collected and compared from two 'distant' cousins, each a direct male descendant of their common ancestor. Future researchers would be able to compare their Austin line's Y-DNA to the known lines to either disprove or confirm connections.

In September 2003 Dr. Austin contacted Arthur Maynard Sikes, Jr., President of the Austin Families Association of America, and proposed that AFAOA join AOAGS in sponsoring tests for the *Austin-Austen DNA Project*. An agreement was reached, and anonymous DNA donors were selected based on well-documented lineages from early Austins. Since future Austin researchers rather than the DNA donors would be the main beneficiaries of the tests, it was agreed that AOAGS and AFAOA would fund tests for the three largest Austin lines: the Richard, Robert and Samuel lines in New England (see page 857).

Dr. Austin also invited the earlier Austin DNA studies to merge their test results into the *Austin-Austen DNA Project*, and they did so. Austin DNA test results to date are shown in the table on page 856, and are discussed on page 857. Current versions of the table can be found at <http://www.aoags.org/DNA>. If you would like to have your Austin line DNA become part of the *Austin-Austen DNA Project*, go to <http://www.FamilyTreeDNA.com> and search under the 'Austin' surname to locate the Project, then submit a 'Join Request.' After providing a copy of your Austin male's line, you can order the DNA Test Kit.

DNA PROFILING TO AUGMENT AUSTIN 'PAPER' GENEALOGIES

by Roger Brian Austin

INTRODUCTION

The structure and function of DNA was first understood about 50 years ago. Since then, there has been a huge expansion in our knowledge of DNA and of the methods for its study. In the last 20 years, it has become possible to 'fingerprint' individuals from their unique DNA profiles. This has been valuable in forensics, including paternity testing and in the study of human evolution and immigration and will in the future be of great value in medical diagnosis and treatment.

The DNA of the human Y chromosome has been shown to be of particular value in tracing male lineages, and the DNA in the mitochondria, that of female lineages. While expensive at present, Y chromosome marker profiling is likely to become cheaper and to be of great value to both amateur and professional genealogists. This article describes Y chromosome markers and their application in genealogy.

BACKGROUND

Chromosomes, which are very long DNA molecules, carry the information needed to construct our cells, tissues and entire bodies. The 'backbone' of DNA is composed of four 'bases' and the DNA in a human cell has about 3 billion bases, arranged in 46 chromosomes. In addition, a relatively small amount of DNA is contained in tiny structures within each of the cells, called mitochondria. In this article, we are not concerned with mitochondrial DNA (mtDNA). The 46 chromosomes

AOA Graphic 836

(Array of boxes with M and F inside individual boxes, arranged in 3 generations of descending parental pairs)

Following Y-DNA – **M** denotes a male. Boxes with thick lines show males carrying a particular set of markers on the Y chromosome, passed only from father to son. **F** denotes a female. Females, with no Y chromosome, do not receive the markers and so cannot pass them to a male child. Thus, of the grandchildren in the diagram (lower row of boxes), only 2, 5 and 6 have the set of markers. Grandchild 3 does not carry the set of markers, as his father was from a different line.

arrange themselves into 23 pairs each time a cell divides. Of the 46 chromosomes, the X and Y are special and determine the sex of an individual. Females have two X chromosomes, and males one X and one Y. In males, the X and Y chromosomes only pair over short lengths at their ends. The Y chromosome and the information on it is

passed from father to son with no, or very little, change (see figure below). As with all DNA, mutations - changes - occur very infrequently. Over time, where these mutations happen in that part of the chromosome which does not code for the production of vital proteins and enzymes (or where the mutations do occur in such regions but have no effect on the function of the protein or enzyme), they persist from generation to generation. It is these small differences in the sequence of the four nucleic acid bases (A, T, C and G) that comprise the backbone of DNA that can be detected by modern analytical methods. These differences are commonly known as 'markers'. In the human Y chromosome, there are two types of markers. Those characterized by single base changes (single nucleotide polymorphisms, SNPs) are referred to as M markers (e.g. M173). They have been especially valuable in tracing the migration of humans out of Africa to the rest of the world during the last 150,000 years, but do not concern us here.

The other type of markers are known as STRs or microsatellites. STR stands for Short Tandem Repeat. For example, the nucleic acid base sequence GATA might be repeated ten times ([GATA]₁₀). Along much of the non-pairing region of the Y-chromosome, there are repeated sequences of bases, but the repeat sequence varies. At a particular position (locus) on the chromosome where a marker has been detected, that position is often known as a DYS locus. At a given locus, STR markers differ in the number of repeats. For example, DYS390 can have from 18 to 27 repeats, DYS439, 9 to 14 repeats. A particular repeat number is usually known as an allele. If we consider 25 markers, each with 7 alleles, then there would be about 1.3 x 10²¹ possible combinations. If there were 3 alleles at each of 25 loci, there would be about 8.5 x 10¹¹ combinations. These are hypothetical examples. In reality, some alleles are much more common than others and some combinations of DYS alleles (haplotypes – see below) more common than others. Even so, you can see that the DYS marker profile of a given male line is quite likely to be unique to that line (but see below). This is the basis of Y chromosome DNA marker profiling that is of special interest to genealogists.

SNP markers, resulting from changes in a single base, arise by mutations (random changes). These mutations are very rare, occurring about once in 50 million per base per generation. Therefore, M markers reflect the 'deep ancestry' of individuals and populations and are

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NOTE: Pages 837-840 continue the 1850 US Census for Massachusetts and have been deleted here. This data is available elsewhere on this web site.

**SOME DESCENDANTS OF
THOMAS AUSTIN OF BARBADOS**

*by Roger Brian Austin
Timothy John Smellie
and Bruce Merivale-Austin*

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Richard Austin, son of Charles Adye Austin and Sarah Jane Webster. Benjamin Tuckniss seems to have returned to Demerara with his wife Mary circa 1845. Benjamin died circa 1848. After she was widowed, Mary traveled to visit her father Richard Austin in Surinam shortly before he died in 1851, following which she returned to England. Two sons (both educated at Saint Edmund Hall, Oxford, and ordained priests) were born to Mary and Benjamin Tuckniss:

- T541. RICHARD AUSTIN, *b. 1823, m. 1849 Margaret Stewart in Douglas, Isle of Man. Their daughter Mary Louisa b. 1851 in Askham Bryan, Yorkshire. Rev. Tuckniss d. 1864.*
- T542. WILLIAM, *b. 1824, m. Margaret Ellen, they had two sons born in London: William Wentworth b.1862 and Edward Vernon b.1864. The Rev. William Tuckniss died in 1864.*

T55. CHARLES AYDE³ AUSTIN (*Richard*,² *Thomas*¹) was christened on 10 September 1808 in Barbados, two years after his mother Mary Jane (Wentworth) Austin died on 17 August 1806. The unusual name 'Adye' is a diminutive of 'Adam'. He married Sarah Jane Webster, born in 1817, almost certainly the sister of Dunkin, the wife of his half-brother Wiltshire Stanton. As Charles Adye and Sarah were both from Barbados, it may be presumed that they were married on that island, probably before Charles Adye went to Cambridge. Charles Adye was educated there at Saint Catherine's College, where he had been admitted in 1828, and received his B.A. in 1832, when he was ordained a deacon.

After leaving Cambridge, Charles was appointed a priest in Chester (1833), and became a curate in Heywood, Lancashire (1832-1834) and in Ripon, Yorkshire (1834-1835). In 1835 he took up an appointment as Consular Chaplain in Pernambuco (now Recife), Brazil. He retired from Brazil in 1865, and afterwards was curate at Wyham-cum-Cadeby and of Nun Ormsby, near Louth, Lincolnshire. He died in Cheltenham in 1875.

Evidently Charles Adye and Sarah Jane Austin visited the Plantation Kleinhoop in Surinam in the 1840's, for it is recorded that Sarah Jane 'felt terribly frightened by the Indians who, unannounced, used to walk into the drawing room in their loincloths and feathers.' At that time, Kleinhoop was owned by Charles Adye's father, Richard. Charles Adye and Sarah had several children:

- T551. RICHARD AUSTIN, *b. 1832 in Yorkshire +*
- T552. CHARLES AYDE, *b. 1834 in Rochdale, Lancashire, and like his father was educated in Saint Catherine's College Cambridge, where he was admitted in 1854. He was Acting Consul at Rio de Janeiro (1876-1879), at Santos, (1876) and at Bahia (now Salvador) for various times from 1893 until his death there in 1897. He does not appear to have married.*
- T553. FRANCES ANN, *b. 1836 in British Guiana. She married Dr. Charles Gordon and they had three children: Charles, who died a bachelor; Mary, who married J. B. Taylor; and Sally, who died young. Mary had four children, Gordon, Leno, Iris and Daphne. Their father died before 1881, when Frances and children were living in London.*
- T554. WENTWORTH TUCKNISS, *b. 1837, he was a merchant. In 1870 in Cheltenham, he married Lucy Augusta Guinness, daughter of Dr. Arthur D'Esterre Guinness. Wentworth died in 1883 in Bath, Somerset, after which Lucy went to live with her parents in Oxford.*
- T555. CATHERINE EMMA, *b. 1838 in Pernambuco, Brazil. She married Thomas Comber, a British subject who had been born in Brazil. Thomas became a magistrate in India. Catherine Emma died before 1881, by which time Thomas had remarried.*
- T556. CHRISTOPHER EDWARD LEFROY, *b. 2 March 1841 +*
- T557. FREDERICK WILLIAM, *b. 1844 in Pernambuco, Brazil.*
- T558. AEMILIUS SAUNDERS, *b. 1847 +*
- T559. HENRY ARTHUR WEBSTER, *b. 1851 in Pernambuco.*
- T61. JAMES DEAR³ AUSTIN (*John*,² *Thomas*¹) was born on 9 October 1795 in Barbados. was a doctor of medicine like his father. He married Elizabeth Mary Pierce, sister of William Pierce (the husband of Joseph Gibson Austin, see T72 on page 717). Elizabeth was born on 6 February 1795. James died in 1831. Elizabeth died on 25 June 1885, and was buried in Redland, Clifton.
- T611. JOHN, *d. in infancy*
- T612. EDWARD, *b. 29 June 1823 in Barbados +*
- T613. SARAH ELIZABETH, *b. 23 October 1825. She married a Mr. Einery. Sarah died on 8 June 1894.*
- T62. THOMAS³ AUSTIN (*John*,² *Thomas*¹) was born in 1808 in Barbados. He must have lived in Demerara as a man, for he married Elvira Reed there on 18 February 1836. The officiating clergyman was Elvira's cousin the Rev. Leonard Strong, and Thomas and Elvira named their fifth son after him. The following year, Thomas and Elvira emigrated to the United States and lived principally in Stratford, Connecticut where they had a large family. He died in 1882 in Stratford, Elvira died in 1888 and is buried in the Stratford Cemetery. Children:
- T621. MARY ELIZABETH, *b. 1837 in New York, she m. Francis W. Peters of Boston, Massachusetts. Five children: Austin, Alice, Francis, William Morris Austin and Lucian Haynes.*
- T622. ANNA ELVIRA, *b. 1838 in New England, m. P. Edwards Johnson in Peterson, New Jersey. They had no children.*
- T623. JOHN GROSCORT, *b. 26 May 1839 in England, but grew up in Stratford. He m. in New York, but had no children. He d. in 1910 in New York, and is buried in Stratford Cemetery.*

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**Richard Barker Austin (1801-1858)
and his wife
Melicent (Inniss) Austin (1814-)**

- T624. EDMUND HAYES, *b. 1840 in New York +*
 T625. JAMES CHAPMAN, *b. 1843 in New York +*
 T626. WILLIAM MORRIS, *b. 1844 in England. he became a surgeon in the U.S. Army and died a bachelor in Texas in 1868. He was buried in Stratford Cemetery.*
 T627. LEONARD STRONG, *b. 26 February 1846 Stratford+*
 T628. FRANCIS BAYNES, *b. 1847 Stratford +*
 T629. LUCY, *b. 1849 in Stratford, she married J.R. Haxton in Kent, Connecticut and they had five children.*
 T62A. MADELINE BEAN, *b. Stratford, married Paul Whitehead, no children.*
 T62B. HUGH PIERCY, *b. 1852 Stratford, he was a bachelor. he died in 1881 in Florida, and is buried in Stratford Cemetery.*
 T62C. THOMAS SEPTIMUS, *b. 1855, he married —, they had a daughter Germania Austin. Thomas died in 1906 and is buried in Stratford Cemetery.*
 T62D. LETITA ISABELLA, *b. 1856, d. 1890 in Stratford, buried Stratford Cemetery, no issue.*

T63. LETITIA³ AUSTIN (*John,² Thomas¹*) was born in 1809 in Demerara, British Guiana. Letitia married Dr. Jonathan Amory, who was a businessman from Boston, Massachusetts. They had one known child:

- T631. THOMAS ISAAC COFFIN, *born on 27 November 1828 in Boston, he later became a Colonel in the U. S. Army*

T64. SARAH ELIZABETH³ AUSTIN (*John,² Thomas¹*) was first married to Joseph Beale and they had five children: Sarah Eliza, James, Mary, Margaret, and Letitia Mehetabel. Sarah Elizabeth's second marriage was to Charles Bean.

T71. RICHARD BARKER³ AUSTIN (*Joseph Gibson,² Thomas¹*) was born 4 March 1801 in Barbados. He was christened on 5 October 1801 in St. Joseph, Barbados. Richard was named for his uncle, Joseph's eldest brother. Fatherless so young he was probably brought up in Barbados for his mother was a Barbadian, but he returned to Demerara, British Guiana, as a sugar planter and was owner or manager of an estate called Bathsheba's Lust in Essequibo. On 22 September 1836 in St. Peter's, Leguan, Essequibo, in Demerara, he married Melicent Inniss. She was born 25 April 1814 in Barbados, the daughter of James Inniss and Sarah Rebecca Saer.

Standing to lose when slavery was abolished in 1837, Richard took his slaves with him to Plantation Kleinhoop in Surinam. We can only speculate on his relationship with his uncle Richard Austin who, in 1822, had been dismissed from his position as officiating minister at All Saints' parish church in New Amsterdam and went to live at Kleinhoop. He died on 19 November 1858 in Kleinhoop, Surinam, and was buried there, as were his uncle and aunt. Melicent died in British Guiana. Richard and Melicent had ten children:

- T711. SARAH PIERCE, *b. 15 July 1837 +*
 T712. JAMES DEAR, *b. 1838 in Barbados +*
 T713. MELICENT ANN, *b. 5 May 1840 +*
 T714. JOSEPHINE GIBSON, *b. 10 January 1842 +*
 T715. RICHARD BARKER, *b. 25 October 1843, d. 20 Dec. 1847*
 T716. SAMUEL INNIS, *b. 17 May 1845 +*
 T717. SUSANNAH GILL, *b. 20 November 1846, d. 5 March 1868*
 T718. RICHARD, *d. 1858*
 T719. SAMUEL, *believed to have married and had three children.*
 T71A. SUSAN, *d. young*

T72. JOSEPH GIBSON³ AUSTIN (*Joseph Gibson,² Thomas¹*) was born 12 March 1802 in Barbados. Her father died seven months before her birth, and her mother named her after her father in spite of her sex. Joseph married William Edward Pierce, they had ten children:

- T721. MARY ELIZABETH, *b. 1828 d. 1848*
 T722. JOSEPHINE WILHELMINA JACOBA, *b. 1829 d. 1830*
 T723. SUSANNAH, *b. 1830 d. 1913*
 T724. HARRIET, *b. 1832 d. 1833*
 T725. ANNA MERCER, *b. 1833 d. 1900*
 T726. HELEN, *b. 1835 d. 1898*
 T727. JOSEPHINE AUSTIN, *b. 1837 d. 1867*

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Hugh Whitchurch Austin

T728. WILLIAM EDWARD, *b. 1839 d. young*
 T729. WILLIAM EDWARD, *b. 1840 d. 1881*
 T72A. SARAH MILLICENT, *b. 1842 d. 1897*

FOURTH GENERATION

T2A1. HUGH WHITCHURCH⁴ AUSTIN (*Thomas³, Hugh Williams², Thomas¹*) was born in 1824 in England. He received a good classical and mathematical education according to correspondence written by his father. Hugh was eleven years old when the family moved to Canada. Two years later he was serving in the ranks of the cavalry troop his father had raised, guarding the border between Lower Canada and the United States and being exposed to all hardships of two winters. This experience led to a military career for Hugh. In 1842 he joined, as an Ensign, the 56th (West Essex) Regiment of Foot when it was stationed briefly at Fort Chambly. He rose to the rank of Captain in 1853. He spent about fifteen years of service was spent in various places including Gibraltar and Bermuda, Jamaica, India, Ireland and the Crimea. Immediately following the Crimean campaign and the battle of Sebastopol (and the charge of the Light Brigade) Hugh's record was added to with the following laudatory statement:

"Captain Austin was actively employed during the rebellion in Canada in 1837-38 in a local regiment of cavalry, served also at the siege and fall of Sebastopol (Medal and Clasp)."

The regiment returned from the Crimea in August 1856 and Hugh resigned his position. He returned to Chambly to live and in 1858 he married Ada Fanny Cox, daughter of Sir Edmund Cox of Kingsey, Quebec. Hugh became Fishery Overseer for Richelieu division and moved to Berthier-en-Haut a few years before his death in 1886. He and his wife are buried in St. Stephen's churchyard, near the Austin family vault in Chambly.

- T2A1-1. [unknown], *b. 4 August 1859, d. 5 August 1859.*
 T2A1-2. ADA MAUD, *b. 1 August 1860, m. 1 June 1886*
Charles Denny Hanson
 T2A1-3. CONSTANCE MAY, *b. 15 April 1863, m. 12 March 1892*
Charles Henry Low. Constance d. 9 March 1958.
 T2A1-4. CHARLOTTE DECLARE, *b. 15 June 1868, m. 31 July 1890*
John Bissette Rose b.6 September 1862. John d. 28 July 1937, Charlotte d. 3 April 1948.
 T2A1-5. HUGH EDMUND FAUNCE, *b. 8 May 1876, m. Susan Rosina Ellis. He d. 31 May 1944, she d. 7 September 1944.*
 T2A1-6. REGINALD EDEN, *b. 13 June 1878 d. 1 June 1952, m. Christine —, they had two children, Gordon and Nedra.*

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Henry William Austin

T2A2. HENRY WILLIAM⁴ AUSTIN (*Thomas³, Hugh Williams², Thomas¹*) was born on 10 August 1825 in Ilfracombe, Devon, England He was ten years old when the family moved to Canada. After finishing his education in Lennoxville, he was articled firstly with Francis G. Johnson and then with the Robert Mackey, lawyers in Montreal. He was called to the bar of Lower Canada in February 1848 and subsequently joined Robert Mackey and formed the law firm of Mackay & Austin, advocates. Henry Austin was appointed Bar Examiner in 1868 and a Joint Fire Commissioner in 1878. He was married to Marie Louise Guy in Montreal in 1860. She was of French-Canadian descent, a daughter of Hipolite Guy, a judge in Montreal. In 1880 Henry was named Chief Justice of the Bahamas Islands by Imperial Appointment, which was announced by 10 Downing Street. He and his wife and their three youngest children arrived in the Bahamas on 5 October and he was sworn in the next day. As Chief Justice he was the sole judge of all the Superior Courts in the Colony, Chancellor and Judge of the Vice-Admiralty Court, and was later named President of the Legislative Council of the Bahamas. During his term of office four different governors had been appointed, the last being Sir Ambrose Shea, with whom Henry had an antagonistic relationship. Henry's career as Chief Justice ended acrimoniously when Governor Shea sought the Chief Justice's dismissal. Henry protested, but the Governor's demand was upheld by the Colonial Office in London and Henry left the service with a pension.

After his return to Montreal he wrote a 120-page booklet entitled "Ten Years Chief Justice of the Bahamas, 1880-1890: The Reasons of my Resignation." In this booklet he referred to the cases which brought about Governor Shea's demand. The Chief Justice had alleged that the Attorney General had withheld information during a murder trial, as many of the witnesses and members of the jury were his relatives. He also accused a prisoner of attempted murder and sentenced him to life imprisonment and flogging. The prisoner, appearing in court on another charge, had left the dock and tried to attack the Chief Justice. Henry was bitter that he was not allowed an appeal, to which he was entitled by law, and that the newspaper refused to print addresses of support he had received on his retirement. One such address from Archdeacon Charles Wakefield on behalf of the Nassau clergy states "I view your departure as a misfortune, for I hazard the assertion that outside a certain circle of a few

clergy states "I view your departure as a misfortune, for I hazard the assertion that outside a certain circle of a few bound by blood and marriage, it is impossible to find in this colony a dozen persons who speak otherwise than with respect and confidence of one who is styled by the masses as 'the righteous judge.'" Henry had gained expertise in maritime law while in the Bahamas, so he opened a law practice in Montreal specializing in that aspect of law. Henry died on 16 December 1893 in Montreal, he was buried in Chambly, Quebec. He and Marie Louise had three sons and a daughter:

- T2A2-1. HENRY GUY, *b. 14 April 1861, he was in the North West Territory Mounted Police in Canada. He died 6 April 1883 in the N. W. Territory.*
- T2A2-2. AUGUSTUS FREDERICK BURY, *b. 27 August 1865+*
- T2A2-3. ADOLPHUS EDWARD GLOUCESTER, *b. 1870 d. 14 February 1937.*
- T2A2-4. CHARLOTTE LOUISE, *b. 22 March 1878 m. 12 July 1904 Sir Archibald Lennox Milliken Napier, who was b. 2 November 1855. He d. 18 January 1907, she d. 11 July 1962. They had no children.*

T2A5. WYNDHAM BRUCE⁴ AUSTIN (*Thomas³, Hugh Williams,² Thomas¹*) was born 21 July 1831 in Bitton, Gloucestershire, England. He was very young when the family moved to Canada. His teenage years were spent in Chambly, Quebec a town surrounding Fort Chambly where his father Thomas Austin served as Chambly County Registrar from 1844 to 1864. After his early education, Wyndham became a medical student in Montreal but did not continue to graduation. On 25 October 1853 he married Ellen Louise Winchester in Boston, Massachusetts. She was born 6 February 1835, the daughter of Colonel William P. Winchester of Boston, the family that produced the famous Winchester rifle. They lived in Chambly, Quebec, and had five children:

- T2A5-1. ELIZA WINCHESTER, *b. 6 August 1855, also known as Lilly, she fell backwards out of a first floor window when she was very young. She became paralyzed and spent the rest of her life in a wheelchair. She died 27 December 1910.*
- T2A5-2. THOMAS ADOLPHUS, *b. 12 July 1857, d. 26 June 1858, he was buried in Chambly.*
- T2A5-3. WYNDHAM BRUCE, *b. 9 June 1859, m. 1 April 1904 Beatrice May Holden, b. 1877. They adopted a son Ginger Austin and had a daughter Dolly Austin. They resided latterly in Montreal. He d. 6 February 1953, she d. 17 March 1960.*
- T2A5-4. AUGUSTUS WINCHESTER, *b. 21 September 1860 +*
- T2A5-5. WILLIAM WINCHESTER, *born 10 July 1863, died 11 February 1937, he was buried in Chambly.*

T312. WILLIAM GEORGE GARDINER⁴ AUSTIN (*William Piercy³, William,² Thomas¹*) was born 15 April 1835 in British Guiana. He was named after his father's half-

uncle and is referred to in letters as W.G.G. William was not nearly so outstanding a personality as his father the Bishop, although he too was a fine oar and won his

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William George Gardiner Austin (1835-1904)

rowing blue at Oxford in 1856. From Magdalen College, he gained his B.A. in 1858 and M.A. in 1859. He was called to the Bar of Lincoln Inn in 1858. William took Holy Orders and married Mary Emily Gray Smyth on 27 December 1859 in Hampton Court Chapel. She was a gentle amiable woman held in great affection by his relations. He was for a time his father's Chaplain in Georgetown but most of his life was spent in England where he was Chaplain at the private Chapel at Hampton Court. Later he was Vicar of Stanway in Essex and then of Abingdon in Berkshire. On retirement he bought a house in Reading which became a meeting place for relations from overseas and at home and his family remained there for many years after his death. William George Gardiner Austin died 27 October 1904 in England, Mary Smyth Austin died 3 February 1921. William and Mary had eight children.

- T312-1. WILLIAM EDWARD PIERCY, *b. 1860 +*
- T312-2. MARY ANNETTE PIERCY, *b. 1862, she m. Alexander Milne and they had two daughters: Celia, believed to have been born in 1903, and Annette Mary, (1904-1984). Annette Mary married Rev. Stephen Sinker and they have a daughter, Celia Audrey.*
- T312-3. CHARLES THOMAS PIERCY, *b. 26 May 1864, he d. 8 November 1878.*
- T312-4. ELLEN LOCKHART PIERCY, *b. 20 April 1865, never married. She d. 7 July 1938 in Reading, England.*
- T312-5. RALLPH H. PIERCY, *b. 1 October 1869, he never married. He died 1 October 1926 in California.*
- T312-6. LANCELOT ST. GEORGE PIERCY, *b. 30 April 1871 +*

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- Rachel Austin** d. Mitchellville MD
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- Verlie A. (Austin) Child** age 74 d. Lewiston ME
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- Ira C. Austin Sr.** age 57 b. Tallahassee FL d. Louisville KY
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- Imogene (Austin) McCarley** age 66 b. Wellington TX d. Carmichael CA
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- Robert N. Austin** age 60 d. Fayetteville NC
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- John H. Austin** age 91 d. Kittery ME
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- Miss Ida Gertrude Austin** age 86 d. Truro NS
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- Marie A. (Campbell) Austin** age 46 d. Isle of Palms SC
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- Barbara Austin (Austin) Foote** age 81 d. Bellingham WA
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- Jalan Austin** d. Newark NJ
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- Robert J. Austin** age 89 b. Rochester NY d. Groves TX
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- Phyllis (Mayhugh) Osteen** age 50 d. Breckenridge TX
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- Phyllis (Johnson) Osteen** age 50 d. Breckenridge TX
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- Elaine H. () Austen** age 74 b. IL d. Walnut Creek CA
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- Mildred "Micke" () Austin** age 91 d. San Luis Obispo CA
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- Cecil Junior Austin** age 45 d. Council Bluffs IA
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- Lottie Mae () Austin** d. Houston TX
Houston Chronicle, Houston TX 17 June 1999
- Richard A. Austin** age 63 d. Brazil IN
The Springfield Journal-Register, Springfield IL +17 June 1999
- Andrew James Austin Jr.** age 68 d. Manassas VA
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- Edna Louis () (Dunn) Austin** age 75 d. Smithfield NC
The Fayetteville Observer-Times, Fayetteville NC 18 June 1999
- Thelma Austin** age 82 d. Stanislaus County CA
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- Vera L. (McCauley) Austin** age 82 d. Portland OR
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- Annie (Austin) Brannan** age 92 d. Raleigh NC
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- Jeanne Bellamy (Kelly) Austin** age 69 d. Ashland City TN
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- Jeanne Bellamy (Kelly) Austin** age 69 d. Ashland City TN
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- Chad William Austin** age 19 d. HI
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- Richard A. Austin** age 77 d. Wayne County OH
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- Shirley Frances (Keach) Austin** age 69 d. Corning NY
Fort Myers News Press, Fort Meyers FL 20 June 1999
- Audrey (Donald) Austin** age 88 d. Thunder Bay ON
Chronicle Journal, Thunder Bay ON 22 June 1999
- Dorothy (Jefferson) Austin** d. Baltimore MD
The Baltimore Sun, Baltimore MD 24 June 1999
- Gertrude Austin** age 97 d. Tallahassee FL
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- James Arthur Austin** age 60 d. Perry FL
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- Mary M. () Austin** age 80
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- Glenna Ruth () Austin** age 89 b. Anderson IN d. Conway AR
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- Mabel (Endsley) (Daugherty) Austin** age 86 d. Coshocton OH
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- Mary () Austin** age 82 d. Flint MI
The Flint Journal, Flint MI 27 June 1999
- Mary P. () Austin** age 82
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- Vernice E. Austin** age 77 b. Steen MN d. Garden Grove CA
Los Angeles Times, Los Angeles CA 27 June 1999
- Mae Belle () Astin** age 89 d. Stamford TX
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- Cody Tyler Austin** d. Leighton AL
The Times-Daily, Florence AL 30 June 1999
- Brenda Sue (Burgess) Austin** age 52 d. Jackson TN
The Savannah Courier, Savannah TN 1 July 1999
- Stella (Brown) Austin** age 87 d. Norman OK
The Purcell Register, Purcell OK 1 July 1999
- Willie Ivie "Bill" Austin** age 94 d. Troy TN
The Messenger, Union City TN +2 July 1999
- Gladys Lee Austin** age 90 d. Richmond Heights FL
The Miami Herald, Miami FL 5 July 1999
- Maudlee (Trammell) Austin** age 84 d. Springfield IL
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- Dorothy F. (Steed) (Dow) Austin** age 66 d. Worcester MA
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- Lillie Marie (Rogers) Austin** age 86
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- Eula (Verdiglione) (Austin) Chilton** age 82 b. Washington DC d. NC
Maryland Independent, Waldorf MD 7 July 1999
- Edith M. (Whittaker) (McCarthy) Austin** age 73 d. Warwick RI
The Providence Journal, Providence RI 8 July 1999
- Myrtle (Harris) Austin** age 84 b. Boston MA d. Auburn ME
Sun Journal, Lewiston ME 9 July 1999
- John David Austin** age 74 d. Granite Falls NC
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- Fern (Billingsley) Austin** age 85 d. Mendon IL
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- Lawrence Edward Austin** age 43 b. Worthington MN d. Tucson AZ
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- Lawrence Edward Austin** age 43 d. Tucson AZ
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- Lynette K. Austin** d. Glen Burnie MD
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- Pauline V. () Austin** age 84 b. Kennett MO d. Flint MI
The Flint Journal, Flint MI +13 July 1999
- Florence R. (Scott) (Flowers) Austin** d. Ider AL
The Huntsville Times, Huntsville AL 14 July 1999
- Jeanne Evelyn "Jean" (Weller) Austin** age 89 d. Bowmanville ON
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- Rona () Austin** age 83 d. Reading ENG
Newbury Weekly News, Newbury BRK ENG 15 July 1999
- Oce Beryl (Williams) Austin** d. Beaumont PA
The Citizen's Voice, Wilkes-Barre PA 16 July 1999
- Tammy Paige (Austin) Bosen** age 30 b. Logan UT d. Preston ID
Idaho State Journal, Pocatello ID 16 July 1999
- Arletta (Christy) (White) Austin** age 82 b. Cambridge IA d. San Diego CA
The San Diego Union-Tribune, San Diego CA 20 July 1999
- Arletta (Christy) Austin** age 82 b. Cambridge IA d. San Diego CA
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- Edward L. Austin** age 49 d. Englewood CO
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- Doris B. (Gagne) Austin** age 76 d. Winchester NH
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- Daniel Fletcher "Danny" Austin** age 29 d. Raleigh NC
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- Matthew Austin** age 30 d. Tampa FL
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- Laura Blanche (Steele) Austin** age 71 d. Goodrich MI
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- Bennie Austin** age 65 d. Broxton GA
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- Rosa Lee (McQueen) (Gaddy) Austin** 61 b. Lumberton NC d. Youngstown OH
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- Mary () (Creek) Austin** age 88 b. Adamson OK d. Enumclaw WA
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- Jerry Ernest Austin** age 58 d. Lewisburg TN
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- Elmer "Gene" Austin** age 79 b. Taunton MA d. Louisville KY
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- Donna () Austin**
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- Mattie Elizabeth (Scott) Osteen** age 89 d. Tucker GA
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- Audrey Cora (Shilling) Austin** age 87 b. AB d. Shelton WA
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- Clare Austin** age 92 d. Hollywood FL
The Miami Herald, Miami FL 5 August 1999
- Bill Eugene Austin** age 65 d. Morganton NC
The News Herald, Morganton NC 7 August 1999
- Lillian T. (Cromartie) Austin** d. Dorchester MA
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- Glenn T. Austin** age 78 d. Lake Lanier GA
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The Baltimore Sun, Baltimore MD 10 August 1999
- Jean (Austin) Hagen** age 70 d. Georgetown TX
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- Jean (Austin) Hagen** age 70 b. Owatonna MN d. Georgetown TX
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- Frank Kenneth Austin** age 91 d. Grand Junction CO
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- Edna Mae (Austin) Coburn** age 99 b. Arkadelphia AR d. Everett WA
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- Alta Maxine (Casteel) Austin** age 75
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The Sun Journal, New Bern NC 18 August 1999
- Joe Newton Austin** age 76 b. Wayne OK d. Temple TX
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- Mary J. (Jamieson) (Hillemeier) (Talon) Austin** 92 d. Evansville WI
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- Vivian (Henson) Austin** age 72 d. Buena Vista VA
The Roanoke Times & World News, Roanoke VA 19 August 1999
- Siddie Alma Austin** age 86 d. Bristol TN
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Smyth County News & Messenger, Marion VA 21 August 1999
- Trevor Austin** age 64 b. Birmingham ENG d. Halifax NS
The Chronicle-Herald, Halifax NS 19 August 1999
- Trevor Austin** age 64 b. Birmingham ENG d. Halifax NS
Halifax Daily News, Halifax NS +20 August 1999
- Trevor Austin** age 64 d. Halifax NS
The Bulletin, Bridgewater NS 01 September 1999
- Leavirta Austin** age 88 d. Lubbock TX
The Lubbock Avalanche-Journal, Lubbock TX 21 August 1999
- Gertrude L. Austin** age 89 d. Bartlett TN
The Commercial Appeal, Memphis TN 22 August 1999
- Lillian M. () Austin** age 83 d. Little Egg Harbor NJ
The Press of Atlantic City, Atlantic City NJ 23 August 1999
- Lillian M. () Austin** age 83 d. Little Egg Harbor NJ
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- Marsha Perkins Austin** d. Burr Ridge IL
Chicago Tribune, Chicago IL +23 August 1999
- Caroline Maud (Alexander) Godwin-Austen** 78 b. Raphoe IRE d. San Diego CA
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- Elaine T. () Austin** age 74 d. Fremont CA
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- Evelyn (Robinson) Austin** age 72 d. Asheville NC
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- Doria Jean (Summers) Austin** age 74 d. Fairmont WV
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- Evelyn (McCarthy) Austin** age 69 d. Bangor ME
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- Norris B. Austin** age 78 d. Altus OK
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- Norris B. Austin** age 78 d. Lawton OK
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- Charles W. Austin** age 82 b. Uncasville CT d. Hopkinton RI
The Providence Journal, Providence RI 27 August 1999
- Deaetra V. Austin** age 55
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- Charlie C. Austin** age 85 d. Taylorsville NC
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- Marian Elizabeth () Austin** age 84 b. Independence IA d. Chula Vista CA
The San Diego Union-Tribune, San Diego CA 28 August 1999
- Sandra Lee "Sandie" (LeHoullier) Austin** age 29 d. Newington CT
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- Josephine "Jo" (Aguirre) Austin** age 76 d. Oklahoma City OK
The Lawton Constitution, Lawton OK 30 August 1999
- Wilma A. (Schaper) Austin** age 92 d. Wabasha MN
Eau Claire Leader-Telegram, Eau Claire WI +30 August 1999
- Wilma A. (Schaper) Austin** age 92 d. Alma WI
Winona Daily News, Winona MN 30 August 1999
- Wilma A. () Austin** age 92 d. Alma WI
Winona Post, Winona MN 1 September 1999
- Louise Lampkin () Austin** age 79 d. Sandston VA
Richmond Times-Dispatch, Richmond VA +31 August 1999
- Thomas William Austin Jr.** age 88 b. Omaha NE d. Hilton Head Island SC
Omaha World-Herald, Omaha NE 31 August 1999
- Kenneth Allen Austin Sr.** age 44 d. Hendersonville TN
The Tennessean, Nashville TN 1 September 1999
- Benjamin Austin** age 48 d. Memphis TN
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- Edra Russ () Austin** age 70 d. Leesburg FL
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- Barbara Austin** age 64 d. Norris City IL
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- William Montgomery Austin** age 82 b. McCook NE d. Redding CA
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- Harold Weston Austin** age 93 b. Bakersfield CA d. Ashland OR
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- Vincent J. Austin** age 80 d. Fairfield ME
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- Charles W. Austin** d. Buffalo NY
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- Helen M. (Davis) Austin** age 85 b. Harrison SD d. Meridian ID
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- Don Austin** age 56 d. Phoenix AZ
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- Sarah E. (Nelson) Austin** age 77 b. Turkey Ridge MO d. Lewiston ID
Lewiston Tribune, Lewiston ID 10 September 1999
- Ivor Mardel Austin** age 59 d. Urbandale IA
Des Moines Register, Des Moines IA 11 September 1999
- Grace May (Crow) Austin** age 92 d. Grand Junction CO
The Daily Sentinel, Grand Junction CO +14 September 1999
- Janie (Waldrop) Austin**
Polk County News, Benton TN 15 September 1999
- Elizabeth Frances Austin** age 75 b. Long Beach CA d. Des Moines WA
The Seattle Times, Seattle WA 19 September 1999
- Pennie Austin** age 94 d. Waco TX
Waco Tribune Herald, Waco TX 19 September 1999
- B. A. Austin** age 95
Omaha World-Herald, Omaha NE +20 September 1999
- George Albert Austin** age 77 d. Claypool VA
Bristol Herald Courier, Bristol VA 20 September 1999
- Ruth Ellen (Austin) Brake** age 85 d. Decatur IL
Decatur Herald & Review, Decatur IL 20 September 1999
- Morris H. Austin** age 83 d. Cordova TN
The Commercial Appeal, Memphis TN 22 September 1999
- Betty () Austin** age 84 d. Kelowna BC
Daily Courier, Kelowna BC 23 September 1999
- Mary J. () Austin** age 81 b. Horton KS d. Stuart FL
Omaha World-Herald, Omaha NE +23 September 1999
- Noah Alexander Logan Austin** age 2 d. Jacksonville FL
Florida Times-Union, Jacksonville FL 23 September 1999
- Jane (Austin) Long** b. Edmonton AB d. Markham ON
The Edmonton Journal, Edmonton AB 24 September 1999
- Floyd E. Austin** age 89 d. Yorkville IL
The Herald News, Joliet IL 25 September 1999
- Floyd E. (Gerchar) Austin** age 89 d. Yorkville IL
Plano Record, Plano IL 30 September 1999
- Tiernan Austin** age 91 d. IL
Chicago Sun Times, Chicago IL 25 September 1999
- Dawn L. (Perry) (Austin) Friedman** 39 b. Des Moines IA d. Melbourne FL
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- Billie June Austin** age 71 d. Dayton TN
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- Caroline (Tylutki) Austin** age 91 d. Amsterdam NY
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- Gerald Winston Austin** age 84 d. Houston TX
Houston Chronicle, Houston TX 26 September 1999
- Bessie (Austin) Fletcher** age 78 d. Boone NC
Winston-Salem Journal, Winston-Salem NC 27 September 1999
- Martha Elizabeth () Austin** age 92 d. Salina KS
The Manhattan Mercury, Manhattan KS 28 September 1999
- Edith Virginia (Austin) Darnaby** age 73 d. Brownsville TN
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- William F. Austin** age 72 d. Milford CT
The New Haven Register, New Haven CT 29 September 1999
- Lavina () Austin** age 92 d. Vegreville AB
The Edmonton Journal, Edmonton AB 30 September 1999
- Muriel (Klein) Osten** age 82 d. Del Ray Beach FL
Chicago Sun Times, Chicago IL 30 September 1999
- Miss Helen Natalie Austin** age 92 d. Richmond VA
Richmond Times-Dispatch, Richmond VA +1 October 1999
- Rev. Ralph F. Austin** age 79 d. Evansville IN
Evansville Courier & Press, Evansville IN 2 October 1999
- Nellie (Morris) Austin** age 77 d. Asheville NC
Asheville Citizen-Times, Asheville NC 3 October 1999
- John E. Austin** age 86 b. Kent CT d. Methuen MA
Eagle Tribune, Lawrence MA 5 October 1999
- John E. Austin** age 86 b. Kent CT d. Methuen MA
Worcester Telegram & Gazette, Worcester MA 5 October 1999
- Edith (Threlkeld) Austin** age 77 d. Temple TX
Waco Tribune Herald, Waco TX 7 October 1999
- Evelyn L. "Smev" (Olmstead) (Anderson) Austin** age 45 d. Olympia WA
The Daily World, Aberdeen WA 7 October 1999
- Evelyn Lorraine (Olmstead) Austin** 45 b. Tillamook OR d. Olympia WA
The Olympian, Olympia WA 7 October 1999
- James Earl Austin** age 29 d. Helena GA
The Macon Telegraph, Macon GA +7 October 1999
- Pauline (Austin) Fleming** age 89 d. Buffalo SC
The Greenville News, Greenville SC 7 October 1999
- Pauline Minnie (Austin) Fleming** age 89 d. Buffalo SC
Herald-Journal, Spartanburg SC 7 October 1999
- Gertrude Jane (Harmon) Austin** age 99 b. Kelligay WV d. Homosassa FL
Times-Herald, St. Petersburg FL 10 October 1999
- Ray W. Austin** age 81 d. Providence RI
The Providence Journal, Providence RI 10 October 1999

- Joseph E. Austin** age 88 d. Grand Junction CO
The Daily Sentinel, Grand Junction CO 12 October 1999
- Richard W. Austing** age 89
The Cincinnati Post/Enquirer, Cincinnati OH 12 October 1999
- Adelbert L. Austin** age 62 d. New Berlin NY
The Daily Star, Oneonta NY +13 October 1999
- June M. (Shrodes) Austin** d. Cherry Hill NJ
Courier Post, Camden NJ 13 October 1999
- Marion Adelle Austin**
The Washington Post, Washington DC 13 October 1999
- Michael Charles Austin Jr.** age 19 d. Memphis TN
The Commercial Appeal, Memphis TN +14 October 1999
- Devona Lee (Carey) Austin** age 79 b. Enid OK d. Everson WA
Bellingham Herald, Bellingham WA 15 October 1999
- Kathryn (Conrad) Austin**
Chicago Tribune, Chicago IL 15 October 1999
- Marguerite (Austin) (Etcheverry) Hamel** age 74 d. Gatineau QC
La Presse, Montreal QC 15 October 1999
- Hazel (Austin) (Arms) Casebeer** age 86 d. Clarksville TN
Leaf Chronicle, Clarksville TN 16 October 1999
- Leathia "Nell" (Austin) (Miller) Christian** 57 b. Andalusia AL d.
Panama City FL — *The News Herald*, Panama City FL 17 October 1999
- John H. Austin** age 79 d. Whitefish MT
Missoulian, Missoula MT 18 October 1999
- Herman Denver Osteen** d. Nashville TN
The Tennessean, Nashville TN 18 October 1999
- Helen (Giles) Austin** age 88 d. Oakville ON
The Globe and Mail, Toronto ON 20 October 1999
- Clarence William "Peanut" Austin Sr.** 77 b. Jacksonville FL d. Lawrence NJ
The Times, Trenton NJ 20 October 1999
- Nell K. (Osteen) Draughon** age 77 d. Asheville NC
Asheville Citizen-Times, Asheville NC 20 October 1999
- Helen (Giles) Austin** age 88 d. Oakville ON
The Globe and Mail, Toronto ON +21 October 1999
- Helen Davis Austin** age 79 d. Claiborne Parish LA
The Times, Shreveport LA 23 October 1999
- Morris E. Austin** age 89 b. Galesburg MI d. Laurel MD
The Washington Post, Washington DC 23 October 1999
- James Saunders Austin** age 78 d. Arlington VA
The Washington Post, Washington DC 27 October 1999
- Mary (Austin) Byrnes** age 85 d. Port Huron MI
The Times Herald, Port Huron MI +27 October 1999
- Irene M. (Austin) Dukes** age 87 d. Depauw IN
Corydon Democrat, Corydon IN 27 October 1999
- Marion (Shurtliff) Austin** age 83 b. Baker OR d. Salt Lake City UT
The Deseret News, Salt Lake City UT 28 October 1999
- Marion (Shurtliff) Austin** age 83 b. Baker OR d. Salt Lake City UT
The Salt Lake Tribune, Salt Lake City UT 28 October 1999
- Ruby "Mader" (Williams) (Allen) Austin** 72 b. Lumberton MS d. Saginaw MI
The News-Gazette, Champaign-Urbana IL +28 October 1999
- Velma (Morris) Austin** age 76 d. Luling LA
The Times-Picayune, New Orleans LA 28 October 1999
- Jerry David Austin** age 56 b. San Antonio TX d. Green Bay WI
Sioux City Journal, Sioux City IA 28 October 1999
- Jeannine O. Osteen** d. Port Republic MD
The Washington Post, Washington DC 29 October 1999
- Velma Morris Austin** age 76 d. Luling LA
The Times-Picayune, New Orleans LA 29 October 1999
- Virginia Pearl "Dolly" (Austin) Birney** age 91 d. Stockton MO
The Hutchinson News, Hutchinson KS 29 October 1999
- Walter Austin Jr.** d. Orange NJ
Newark Star-Ledger, Newark NJ 29 October 1999
- Alfred L. Austin** age 84 d. Rocky Mount VA
The Roanoke Times & World News, Roanoke VA 30 October 1999
- Doris E. (Langer) Austin** age 71 d. Adams MA
Berkshire Eagle, Pittsfield MA 30 October 1999
- Hester Austin** d. Hurricane Mills TN
Bristol Herald Courier, Bristol VA 30 October 1999
- Marion Julie (Schuler) Austin** age 86 d. Woodbury NJ
The Gloucester County Times, Woodbury NJ 30 October 1999
- Charles O. Austin Jr.** age 84 d. Rock Island IL
Quad-City Times, Davenport IA 30 October 1999
- Alice B. (Jewer) Austin** d. Winchester MA
The Boston Globe, Boston MA +31 October 1999
- Nedra Patterson Austin** age 79 d. Pinehurst TX
Beaumont Enterprise, Beaumont TX 31 October 1999
- Walter Ervin Austin** age 73 d. Louisville KY
The Courier-Journal, Louisville KY 31 October 1999
- Edward F. Austin** age 63 d. Martinsburg WV
Northern Virginia Daily, Strasburg VA +1 November 1999
- Edward F. Austin** age 63 d. Martinsburg WV
The Winchester Star, Winchester VA +1 November 1999
- Gerald Dempsey Austin** age 70 b. Clinton MO d. Vallejo CA
Contra Costa Times, Contra Costa County CA 1 November 1999
- William M. Austin** age 72 b. Urbana IL d. Charlton MA
The Herald News, Fall River MA 1 November 1999
- William M. Austin** age 72 b. Urbana IL d. Swansea MA
The Providence Journal, Providence RI 1 November 1999
- Martha Louise Austin** age 82 d. Knoxville TN
The Knoxville News-Sentinel, Knoxville TN +1 November 1999
- Martha (Trent) Austin** age 79 d. TN
Kingsport Times News, Kingsport TN 2 November 1999
- Josephine (Boynton) Austin** age 88 d. Hartford CT
The Hartford Courant, Hartford CT 5 November 1999
- Malcolm Austin** age 84 d. St. Hubert QC
Le Journal de Montreal, Montreal QC 7 November 1999
- Jennie Lee () Austin** age 84 d. Memphis TN
The Commercial Appeal, Memphis TN 9 November 1999
- Ella Mae (Rose) Austin** age 63 d. Clintwood VA
Dickenson Star, Clintwood VA 11 November 1999
- Hazel (Austin) Appell** age 97 d. Los Angeles CA
Los Angeles Times, Los Angeles CA +12 November 1999
- Frank B. Austin** age 84 d. Georgetown TX
Austin American-Statesman, Austin TX 13 November 1999
- Elizabeth Mary () Osteen** age 92 b. Philadelphia PA d. Orlando FL
Orlando Sentinel, Orlando FL 13 November 1999
- Jacqueline C. (Gray) Austin** age 71 d. Knoxville TN
The Knoxville News-Sentinel, Knoxville TN 14 November 1999
- Rev. Maurice Snipes Austin** age 61 d. Kansas City KS
The Kansas City Star, Kansas City MO 14 November 1999
- Miss Jacqueline C. Austin** age 71 d. Knoxville TN
The Knoxville News-Sentinel, Knoxville TN 15 November 1999
- Jewel (Lowery) Austin** d. McDonough GA
Atlanta Journal-Constitution, Atlanta GA 16 November 1999
- Elba Mary (Caverly) Austin** age 76 d. Huntsville ON
The Toronto Star, Toronto ON 17 November 1999
- Henry O'Neil () Austin** age 76 d. Allyn WA
The Sun, Bremerton WA 17 November 1999
- Louise (Austin) Robinson** age 74 d. Meadowview VA
Bristol Herald Courier, Bristol VA +17 November 1999
- Marie J. (Christen) Austin** age 82 b. Glasgow SCO d. WA
The Seattle Post-Intelligencer, Seattle WA 17 November 1999
- Marie J. (Christen) Austin** age 82 b. Glasgow SCO d. Seattle WA
West Seattle Herald, Seattle WA 24 November 1999
- Allen Leon Austin** age 67 d. Asheville NC
Asheville Citizen-Times, Asheville NC +18 November 1999
- Bernadette M. Austin** age 63 d. Casco Twp MI
The Times Herald, Port Huron MI +18 November 1999
- Verdie (Morrow) Austin** age 100 d. Albertville AL
The Huntsville Times, Huntsville AL 18 November 1999
- Sara Eleanor (Austin) Fletcher** age 79 d. Amherst NS
Halifax Daily News, Halifax NS +18 November 1999
- Sara Eleanor (Austin) Fletcher** age 79 d. Amherst NS
The Chronicle-Herald, Halifax NS 18 November 1999
- Willie Alfred Austin Sr.** age 59 b. Lansing MI d. Atlanta GA
Lansing State Journal, Lansing MI 19 November 1999
- Norah (Grogan) Osten** age 85 b. Cleveland OH d. La Mesa CA
The San Diego Union-Tribune, San Diego CA 19 November 1999
- David B. Austin** age 73 d. Johnson City TN
Kingsport Times News, Kingsport TN 20 November 1999
- Mattie (Austin) Ford** age 72 d. Memphis TN
The Commercial Appeal, Memphis TN 20 November 1999
- Glenda Fern () Austin** age 67 d. Searcy AR
The Hutchinson News, Hutchinson KS 21 November 1999

- Howard L. "Bud" Austin** age 69 d. Norris City IL
Evansville Courier & Press, Evansville IN 21 November 1999
- Lawrence Lee Austin** age 80 d. Hatteras NC
Coastland Times, Outer Banks NC 21 November 1999
- Frank L. Austin Jr.** age 64 d. Superior WI
Duluth News Tribune, Duluth MN 22 Nov & 2 Dec 1999
- Eva (Austin) Darling** d. North Collins NY
The Buffalo News, Buffalo NY 22 November 1999
- Violet Mary Marie (Scholl) (Austin) Mead** age 72 d. Sioux Falls SD
Argus Leader, Sioux Falls SD 22 November 1999
- Louie Austin** age 80 b. Beekman LA d. Richmond CA
West County Times, Contra Costa County CA 24 November 1999
- Steven A. Austin** age 81 b. Janesville WI d. Grand Rapids MN
Thief River Falls Times, Thief River Falls MN 24 November 1999
- Walter B. Austin** age 89 b. Littleton ME d. Woonsocket RI
The Providence Journal, Providence RI 24 November 1999
- Betty Jayne (Bessent) Austin** d. Bellwood IL
Chicago Tribune, Chicago IL 25 November 1999
- John E. Austin** age 89 d. Memphis TN
The Commercial Appeal, Memphis TN 25 November 1999
- Brock I. Austin** d. MI
The Detroit News, Detroit MI 25 November 1999
- Brock Isaac Austin** age 101 b. Indian Mound TN d. Livonia MI
Leaf Chronicle, Clarksville TN 26 November 1999
- Hilda May () Austin** age 72
St. Thomas Times Journal, St. Thomas ON +26 November 1999
- Ruby K. Austin** age 90 d. Bainbridge GA
Tallahassee Democrat, Tallahassee FL 29 November 1999
- Eugene H. Austin** age 83 d. Newville PA
The Sentinel, Carlisle PA 2 December 1999
- Eugene O. C. Austin** age 55 d. Trenton FL
Gilchrist County Journal, Gilchrist County FL 2 December 1999
- Savoia Austin** age 74 d. Athens TX
Beaumont Enterprise, Beaumont TX 2 December 1999
- George Earl Austin** age 73 d. Memphis TN
The Commercial Appeal, Memphis TN 3 December 1999
- Hazel May (Lewis) (Petersen) Austing** age 83 b. Pomeroy WA d. Bend OR
The Register-Guard, Eugene OR +3 December 1999
- Bessie Mae () Austin** age 79 d. Hastings MN
Eau Claire Leader-Telegram, Eau Claire WI 4 December 1999
- Jacquelyn "Jackie" (Austin) Fritz** age 74 d. Beaumont TX
Beaumont Enterprise, Beaumont TX 5 December 1999
- Alice G. (Tyler) Austin** age 97 d. Midland MI
Midland Daily News, Midland MI +6 December 1999
- Goodrich Austin Jr.** age 72 b. Jackson MS d. San Diego CA
The San Diego Union-Tribune, San Diego CA 8 December 1999
- Sue Ann (Austin) Harmon** age 68 d. Jerseyville IL
Calhoun News Herald, Calhoun County IL 8 December 1999
- Gabrielle Ellana () Austin** age 1 d. Mason MI
Lansing State Journal, Lansing MI 9 December 1999
- Marguerite (Pearce) Austin** age 82 d. Ruston LA
The Times, Shreveport LA 9 December 1999
- Linda (Austin) Blanken** age 46 d. Asheville NC
Asheville Citizen-Times, Asheville NC 9 December 1999
- Iris Austin** age 88 d. TX
Houston Chronicle, Houston TX 10 December 1999
- Martin T. Austin** b. RI d. Westfield MA
Springfield Union News, Springfield MA 11 December 1999
- Martin T. Austin** age 92 b. Providence RI d. Westfield MA
The Providence Journal, Providence RI 11 December 1999
- Myrle Elizabeth Austin** age 85 d. Honesdale PA
The Scranton Times, Scranton PA 11 December 1999
- William Thomas Austin** age 64 b. Minneapolis MN d. Spring Valley CA
The San Diego Union-Tribune, San Diego CA 11 December 1999
- Daisy (Samora) Austin** d. Albuquerque NM
Albuquerque Journal, Albuquerque NM 12 December 1999
- Willie C. Austin** d. DC
The Washington Post, Washington DC 14 December 1999
- Bernice Estelle (Austin) (Crocket) Hansen** 90 b. Los Angeles CA d. Reno NV
Reno Gazette-Journal, Reno NV 14 December 1999
- Louida C. () (Osteen) Jespersen** age 66 d. Kissimmee FL
Orlando Sentinel, Orlando FL 14 December 1999
- Rose (Hoffman) Austin** age 73 d. Mandan ND
The Leader-News, Washburn ND 16 December 1999
- Martha Euralee (Williams) Osteen** age 78 d. Trenton FL
The High Springs Herald, High Springs FL 16 December 1999
- Merline Austin** age 61 d. Steelton PA
Harrisburg Patriot News, Harrisburg PA 19 December 1999
- Agnes Ann Austin** age 80 b. Eibenstock GER d. Seattle WA
The Seattle Post-Intelligencer, Seattle WA 20 December 1999
- Bryonna Marie Austin** d. Shelby NC
The Gaston Gazette, Gastonia NC 20 December 1999
- Marjorie Lucille (Peters) Austin** age 80 d. Fayetteville NC
The Fayetteville Observer-Times, Fayetteville NC 20 December 1999
- Alice F. (Campbell) (Austin) Fitchman** age 88 d. Eckert CO
The Daily Sentinel, Grand Junction CO 21 December 1999
- Alice F. (Campbell) (Austin) Fritchman** age 88 d. Eckert CO
Delta County Independent, Delta County CO 22 December 1999
- Dr. Eugene Austin** age 86 d. Indianapolis IN
Evansville Courier & Press, Evansville IN 22 December 1999
- Randall C. Austin** age 53
Chicago Tribune, Chicago IL 22 December 1999
- Bryonna Marie (Austin) Goble** d. Shelby NC
The Gaston Gazette, Gastonia NC 22 December 1999
- Bryonna Marie (Austin) Goble** d. Shelby NC
The Star, Shelby NC 22 December 1999
- Helen () Austin** age 67 d. MI
The Detroit News, Detroit MI 23 December 1999
- Mabel Austin** d. Brownwood TX
Abilene Reporter-News, Abilene TX 23 December 1999
- Mabel () Austin** age 96 d. Brownwood TX
San Angelo Standard-Times, San Angelo TX 23 December 1999
- Mabel (Hays) Austin** age 96 d. Brownwood TX
Goldthwaite Eagle, Goldthwaite TX 30 December 1999
- Margaret May () Austin** age 82 d. Arkansas City KS
The Wichita Eagle, Wichita KS 23 December 1999
- Betty Ray Austin** age 56 b. Olive Branch MS d. Las Vegas NV
Las Vegas Sun, Las Vegas NV 23 December 1999
- Betty Ray Austin** age 56 b. Olive Branch MS d. Las Vegas NV
Las Vegas Review-Journal, Las Vegas NV 27 December 1999
- Dr. Warren R. Austin** age 88 d. Seattle WA
Santa Barbara News-Press, Santa Barbara CA +24 December 1999
- John Wesley Austin** age 71 d. Union SC
Herald-Journal, Spartanburg SC 24 December 1999
- John Wesley Austin** age 71 d. Union SC
The Greenville News, Greenville SC 24 December 1999
- Nellie E. (Beasley) Austin** age 72 d. Topeka KS
The Wichita Eagle, Wichita KS 24 December 1999
- Annie Bell Austin** age 98 d. Caddo Parish LA
The Times, Shreveport LA 26 December 1999
- Jack R. Austin** age 71 b. North Fork AR d. Lockeford CA
The Record, Stockton CA 27 December 1999
- Jean Evelyn (Weller) (Vince) Austin** age 90 d. Bowmanville ON
Canadian Statesman, Bowmanville ON 27 December 1999
- Joyce Austin** age 74 d. Hesper IA
La Crosse Tribune, La Crosse WI 27 December 1999
- Joyce () Austin** age 74 d. Hesper IA
Winona Daily News, Winona MN 27 December 1999
- Lise (Austin) Cote** age 69 d. Deux Montagnes QC
Le Journal de Montreal, Montreal QC 27 December 1999
- Robert Tucker Austin** age 86 d. Hallsville MO
Santa Barbara News-Press, Santa Barbara CA 28 December 1999
- Dr. Robert George Austin** age 75 b. Selah WA d. Stockton CA
The Record, Stockton CA 29 December 1999
- Hanson Cowan Austin** age 82 d. Winston-Salem NC
Winston-Salem Journal, Winston-Salem NC 29 December 1999
- Samuel Dixon Austin** d. Leesburg VA
The Winchester Star, Winchester VA 30 December 1999
- Leona (Coon) Austin** age 95 d. Portage MI
Midland Daily News, Midland MI 31 December 1999
- Walter P. Austin** age 73 b. IA d. Honolulu HI
Honolulu Star Bulletin, Honolulu HI 31 December 1999
- Walter Phillips Austin** age 73 d. HI
Honolulu Advertiser, Honolulu HI 31 December 1999

QUERIES

850-1. **Leander Alfus Austin** was born in 1834 in Carroll County, Georgia, and had a brother William. He was known as "Lee" and married on 28 December 1854 Rachel Frances Barber in Paulding County, Georgia. Lee died in Alabama. He had served as a Confederate soldier, and nearly all of the information we have on him comes from his wife's application for a pension in Paulding County. His daughter Martha E. Austin was my great-great-grand-mother, and she was married to Robert B. Bullard. I am looking for any information concerning Leander Alfus Austin's parents or family.

850-2. **Lucy Austin** had this portrait taken in 1879 by J. Notman (**AOA Photo 850**). His studio was located at 99 Boylston Street, opposite the Boston Public Garden in Boston, Massachusetts, and he had branches in Canada. The back of Lucy's portrait is imprinted with "Photographer to Her Majesty." The year 1956 is written in pencil beside Lucy's name, perhaps she died that year? I found two possible matches in the 1880 Boston census. One possibility is the Lucy Austin born circa 1860 in Massachusetts, one of five children of Frank B. and Helen Austin of Boston, with siblings Frank, James, Louise and Richard. The second possibility is the Lucy Austin born circa 1861 in Massachusetts, one of five children of William Austin (born New Brunswick) and Lucy (born Maine) of Boston, with siblings Henry, William, Gertrude and Richard. Would like to identify Lucy Austin's family.

850-3. **William Austin** was born in Connecticut circa 1793 and his wife Mary was born in Canada circa 1800, according to the 1850 U.S. census for Sanilac, Michigan (see *Austins of America* page 605). That census shows that some of their children were born in Michigan: Jedediah b. circa 1833, m. Mary Catherine Burgess; Phebe b. circa 1837, Sarah b. circa 1838, and Edwin b. circa 1842. In that same town's 1850 census are found William Austin born circa 1831 in New York and Noah Austin born circa 1821 in New York. Both were bachelors living with other families, could one or both of these men also be children of William and Mary? The 1880 federal census for Lincoln Township, Osceola County, Michigan, and the 1900 census for Sunnyside, Yakima County, Washington, both list Jedediah's father's birthplace as Vermont. Is there any connection between William and Mary Austin and the Job Austin who died in Michigan circa 1850 while visiting his daughter Esther Austin Burdick Campbell? Seeking William's parents.

850-4. **Abigail Austin** married Stephen Wallace Doughty they had eight known children: Stephen Jr. born circa

1801 and died 1845 in Ohio, married Nancy Gardner; Susan married Cyrus Benedict in Ohio; Elmira married Rufus Vining in Ohio; George Washington born 12 April 1806 in Maine married Martha Allen Buck and had ten children; William H. married first Hannah — and second Ann Elizabeth Smith; Abigail married Samuel Alexander; Mary Jane born 1811 Maine and died 1888 in Minnesota, she married Erastus Buck born 1813 in New York; Thomas born 1815 in Maine died in Wisconsin, married Jane Benedict in Ohio. Stephen died in 1839/40, Abigail on 26 October 1855, one or both buried in Ebenezer Cemetery in Morrow County, Ohio. Benjamin Austin born circa 1741 and Susannah Varney resided in Falmouth, Maine, and had a daughter Abigail born 7 February 1772. Seeking evidence that might link their daughter Abigail to my Abigail Austin Doughty.

850-5. **Edward Austin** was born in October 1861 in Chittenango, Madison County, New York. His parents are unknown, but he had brothers J. Wesley Austin and Charles Austin of Michigan, and a sister Nellie Austin Grimm of Michigan, and he might have had a brother David Austin. Edward also had an uncle and aunt, William and Josephine Austin from Manlius, Onondaga County New York. Edward Austin died in Cheboygan, Cheboygan County, Michigan, and was perhaps buried with his family in Detroit. Seeking Edward's ancestry.

850-6. **Nancy Austin** was born circa 1824 in Buncombe County, North Carolina. She married circa 1840 Robert B. Roberts, born circa 1820 in Buncombe County. Eleven children and approximate birth years: Lydia Jane 1841, Sarah A. 1843, Katherine 1844, Nancy Emeline 1846, William T. 1848, James T. 1849, Samuel 1853, Robert B. 1854, Lewis Pinkney 1857 in Madison County, North Carolina, Malinda 1860 & Rachel L. In 1880 census for Haywood County, North Carolina widow Nancy lived with Rachel and her husband Samuel L. Underwood. Seeing any information on Nancy Austin's ancestry.

850-7. **Henry Stephen Austin** was born in Denmark, Lewis County, New York, in 1857, son of Stephen and Nancy Mellon Austin. He married Alice Irene Harris, born in 1860. They had a daughter Mary Alice Austin born in August 1881 and a son Elon Clark Austin born 19 May 1889 in Harrisburg, Lewis County. Elon married Lillian L. Hie, born 27 October 1884 in Cobourg, Northumberland County, Ontario, daughter of James Isaac and Mary Jane (Harris) Hie. Lillian had a son by a previous marriage. Elon and Lillian's eldest child was my grandmother, Florence Lillian Austin born 11 September 1915 in German, Chenango County, New York. Would like to exchange information and photos on this Austin family.

**SOME DESCENDANTS OF
JEREMIAH AUSTIN AND HELEN THURSTON
OF JONES COUNTY, IOWA**

*by Carolyn Austin Kingston
and William John Neal*

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Philip Austin contacted Punch Dickens, head of Canadian Airways, and asked him for a job, but was told he lacked experience. War broke out in September 1939, the same year Philip and Lois divorced. Dickens got in touch with Philip and suggested that if he wanted a job flying, he should "report to Dick Ryan at #3 Air Service School in Regina." Philip moved to Regina, Saskatchewan, and he became part of the British Commonwealth Air Training Plan. He flew Avro Anson planes as a civilian pilot, on navigation, bombing and night-flying exercises. Philip also taught navigation. In 1943 the Air Training Plan began releasing American pilots doing the same job as Philip. This applied only to American pilots, but after he produced an American birth certificate, he was released on 10 January 1943.

In 1941 in Regina Philip married Jean Agnes Lawrence, born 17 December 1915 in Brownlee, Saskatchewan, the daughter of Harry & Barbara (Ramsey) Lawrence. During her teens Jean developed tuberculosis, resided in a sanatorium for four years, and lost a lung. In 1943 the couple moved to Quebec, where Philip flew planes for Quebec Airways delivering mail to outposts on the St. Lawrence River. He was based in Rimouski, on the south shore of the river, and flew regularly to Baie Comeau, Sept Isles, and other places on the north shore. Once he flew John Urwin (of Canadian Pacific Air), Punch Dickens, and Grant McConachie, three notables in Canadian history. On another occasion a heavy lady was seated directly behind Philip, and a flat tire caused her seat to give way on landing, propelling her into the pilot's compartment. The plane tipped on its nose, but there was no panic and the lady had a nice smile. "I think she thought that was a normal way to land an airplane," Philip joked. He recalled that he went fishing while waiting for a new tire to be sent out from the company.

Due to Jean's limited breathing capacity, a Quebec doctor recommended that the family move to a higher altitude. Thus in 1945 with help from his father Carl Austin, Philip bought a ranch near Cochrane, Alberta, in Grand Valley, in the foothills of the Rocky Mountains. They ran cattle, had horses, and ended up with 1960 acres. The ranch was called the "Diamond A." Jean enjoyed horseback riding, and their two children excelled in it. She was a thoughtful, hard-working rancher's wife, a loving

mother, and a great cook. She adapted to ranch life with its many chores. During the haying season she would deliver food to the field as well as serve hot meals in the house. She made butter, collected eggs, separated cream, shopped, picked up the mail, and drove their children to the school bus. She was quick and had a warm laugh.

AOA Photo 851-1

Carolyn and father Philip

AOA Photo 851-2

**Former pilot and rancher John Philip Austin (1918-)
with his wife Jean Agnes Lawrence Austin (1915-1997)**

AOA Photo 851-3

**Philip Austin's "Diamond A" ranch in Grand Valley, in
Rocky Mountain foothills near Cochrane, Alberta**

Jean developed a form of Alzheimer's, struggling with the very tiring disease for many years, cared for by her husband. She died in the hospital in Golden, British Columbia, on 15 April 1997. In part her obituary reads:

God saw you were getting tired, when a cure was not to be. So He closed His arms about you and whispered "Come to Me." You did not deserve what you went through, and so he gave you rest. God's garden must be beautiful, He only takes the best.

Jean and her mother Barbara are buried with Philip's parents in the Queens Park Cemetery in Calgary. Philip at age 89 currently resides at his home in Windermere. He had one child by his first wife and two by his second:

S246-3174-211. CAROLYN JANE, b. 11 July 1936 +
 S246-3174-212. PAUL LAWRENCE, b. 15 October 1942 +
 S246-3174-213. SALLY ANNE, b. 19 August 1947 +

S246-3174-22. MARGARET LOUISE¹⁰ AUSTIN (*Carl Eugene*,⁹ *George Thurston*,⁸ *Jeremiah Corliss*,⁷ *Edward W.*,⁶ *Jonathan*,⁵ *Jonathan*,⁴ *Zebediah*,³ *Thomas*,² *Samuel*¹) was born 28 June 1915 in Minneapolis, Minnesota, and was just an infant when the family moved to Fort Garry, Manitoba. She was widely known as "Marnie," and with her sister Mary Jane enjoyed exciting aquaplane rides at the family's summer home on Lac du Bonnet, Manitoba. Marnie became a Gamma Phi Beta sorority sister at the University of Manitoba, where she received her Home Economics degree in 1938. She married at her parent's home in Fort Garry on 20 September 1939 to William Scott Neal. In December 1939 her parents gave them a farmhouse across Lac du Bonnet from their own cottage.

Scott was born 6 October 1914 in Winnipeg, Manitoba, son of William Merton Neal, an orphan from Southern Ontario, and Frances Jean Scott Neal of Renfrew, Ontario. He attended the University of Manitoba, receiving Arts and Law degrees in 1939. Initially a legal consultant for the McCabe Grain Company, he continued his career with National Grain, and later was corporate secretary of Cargill Grain until his 1980 retirement. He was president of the Tryton Investment Company and manager of the Traders' Building until a 1982 stroke left him partially disabled and aphasic. He served as Mayor of Fort Garry in 1954/55, as President of the Winnipeg Chamber of Commerce, the Manitoba Forestry Association, and Boy Scouts of Manitoba. He was a founding member of the Manitoba Museum of Man and Nature, Chairman of the Board for the

AOA Photo 852

Margaret Louise Austin and Mary Jane Austin with their grandmother Mary Rosalie (Blackmar) Austin.

Misericordia Hospital, an Advisor to the Canadian Council of Rural Development, Director of the Zoological Society, and an honorary life member of the Fish & Game Association, and served as Director of the Canadian National Institute for the Blind. Marnie was an active member of the St. Agnes Guild for the Children's Hospital Research Foundation for 25 years.

Scott was an avid naturalist and conservationist, and he established a waterfowl sanctuary at their Lac du Bonnet farm which is carried on by the family. His large library on Western Canadiana, exploration, British history, and literary works was donated to the University of Manitoba. Marnie and Scott were both members of the Fort Garry United Church. Scott died 19 May 1993 at the Personal Care Home in Lac du Bonnet, Marnie died 8 June 1997 at home in Fort Garry. Both are buried in the Elmwood Cemetery in Winnipeg. They had four children:

S246-3174-221. WILLIAM JOHN, b. 22 July 1940 Winnipeg, m. 23 November 1963 Hilda Diane Nilsson, they reside in Lac du Bonnet. Two adopted ch: Richard John b. 1968 & Scott Allen b.1970.
 S246-3174-222. MARGARET JEAN, b. 27 October 1941, m.on 19 March 1981 Robert Ford Lidstone in Beausejour, Manitoba, they divorced in 1997. They had two children: Robert Scott Lorne b. 1981 and Margaret Claire b. 1983.
 S246-3174-223. CARL DAVID, b. 21 January 1946, two ch: Curtis David b. 1969 & Cory Dion b. 1974.
 S246-3174-224. JAMES SCOTT, b. 28 June 1947, m. 8 April 1972 Cherrie Chelle, ch: James Scott b.1975, Maria Heidi b.1978, Jonathan Matthew b.1979

S246-3174-23. MARY JANE¹⁰ AUSTIN (*Carl Eugene*,⁹ *George Thurston*,⁸ *Jeremiah Corliss*,⁷ *Edward W.*,⁶ *Jonathan*,⁵ *Jonathan*,⁴ *Zebediah*,³ *Thomas*,² *Samuel*¹) was born on 10 August 1916 in Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada. She played the accordion very well, could blow bubbles from her tongue, and enjoyed canoeing, bird watching, swimming, riding horses, skiing and singing. Mary Jane earned her B.A. degree in Home Economics at the University of Manitoba. She first married in 1944 to Pat Garrow, and for a brief period lived away from Winnipeg. They divorced, and she married second in Calgary, Alberta, on 9 November 1947 Lionel McKenzie Gillies, who was born on 22 June 1913 in Toronto, Ontario. Gil had served with the Royal Canadian Army as a Lt. Corporal,

and saw action on D-Day at Normandy. His battalion crossed France and Belgium, and helped liberate Holland. Later Gil was the Regional Sales Manager in Western Canada for Dover Elevators, and was on the Board of the Calgary Stampeders Football Club. Jane was a stay-at-home mother, with many friends in her beloved Calgary. For over 20 years they lived near her widowed mother Helen, the mother and daughter were always very close.

In retirement Jane and Gil had a winter house in Sun City, Arizona. They loved the outdoors and bird watching, and spent summers at their "Owl's Nest" cottage on Shuswap Lake in Eagle Bay, British Columbia. Once swallows abandoned their nest of chicks, so Jane contacted a local bird expert. She was amazed to learn the birds knew there were not enough insects available to feed a family, and they chose to let their family die. At summer's end, on the day of departure of their American neighbors, Gil would post a large sign out on Eagle Bay Road. It would read "Yankee, Go Home!" What are friends for?

Jane made a career out of laughing at herself. Once she spied a gentleman neighbor swimming past the Owl's Nest. She called out and invited him in for coffee and muffins. As he passed again, she called out and very nearly walked down shore to meet him as he left the water. She could not understand his reluctance to accept her hospitality until his wife later explained he did his swimming in the buff! Once while attending Eagle Bay Community Church, a rather pompous and overbearing preacher got her attention. He was trying to make the congregation squirm by asking why they came. Were they there to be seen? Had they sinned and were seeking repentance? Were they sporting their new clothes? The list went on. Thoroughly ticked off, Jane turned to her neighbor and said, "I don't know why you're here, but I came because it's my turn to do lunch!" Gil and Jane had an active social life, and she was an excellent cook.

Later Jane underwent a hip replacement. Gil had knee surgery, his sight was diminishing, and he was on oxygen. Reluctantly they sold the "Owl's Nest" at the end of the summer 1997. In their later years they bought a condo close to their daughter in Drayton Valley, Alberta. Gil died there of lung problems on 6 July 1998, and Jane died there on 16 October 1998. Mary Jane and Lionel Gilles had two children born in Calgary:

- S246-3174-231. NANCY JANE, *b. 12 April 1949, m1. on 26 October 1968 Jasper Stevenson. Ch: Rodney William b.1970 & Sheila Ann b.1972. Nancy m2. on 26 January 1986 Douglas Germann.*
- S246-3174-232. DANIEL AUSTIN, *b. 13 September 1950, m. in Calgary to Carol Ann Wilson of Calgary. They had one child: Heather Marie b.1977.*

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Some descendants of Carl Eugene Austin and Helen Louise Riheldaffer. Left to right: Shane Wilkinson, Philip Austin, Mary Jane Austin Gilles, Margaret Jean Neal, Margaret Louise Austin Neal and Paul Lawrence Austin.

ELEVENTH GENERATION

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S246-3174-211. CAROLYN JANE¹¹ AUSTIN (*John Philip*,¹⁰ *Carl Eugene*,⁹ *George Thurston*,⁸ *Jeremiah Corliss*,⁷ *Edward W.*,⁶ *Jonathan*,⁵ *Jonathan*,⁴ *Zebediah*,³ *Thomas*,² *Samuel*¹) was born 11 July 1936 in Winnipeg, Manitoba. After her parents divorced in 1939, she lived with her grandparents. Carolyn can remember that as a child at their summer home on the shores of Lac du Bonnet, she saw Indians in ceremonial dress quietly paddling by in canoes. Carolyn thoroughly enjoyed the outdoor life. She loved skiing and swimming and was passionate about boating, gardening and the companionship of her dogs.

When her grandfather Carl Austin retired and moved to Alberta, Carolyn went with them. She spent a year living on the ranch with her father Philip, her stepmother Jean and her stepbrother Paul. During the school months, she boarded at St. Hilda's School for Girls in Calgary, Alberta. By the time World War II had ended, Carolyn had returned to Winnipeg to live with her mother Lois and her stepfather, Robert George McCulloch who had returned from Halifax, Nova Scotia, after completing duties with the Royal Canadian Navy. She was adopted as Carolyn "McCulloch" on 21 June 1949, and she had an adopted brother, William Robert McCulloch. Carolyn attended several schools and eventually graduated from the Winnipeg Children's Hospital School of Nursing.

Following graduation, Carolyn and two other classmates worked in Norway House Indian Hospital, three hundred miles north of Winnipeg. Bush planes flew in and out as it was on an island. One could lie on the frozen lake, watching and listening to the swishing changes of the colored northern lights. The Indians whistled to make them dance. Carolyn held an interesting variety of other jobs. One was being a Nursing Sister with the Royal Canadian Navy, another working in Student Health at the Southern Alberta Institute of Technology in Calgary.

Carolyn Jane Austin/McCulloch married twice – once a brief legality – before marrying a third time in Mission, British Columbia on 2 June 1990 John Barry Kingston. Barry was born in London, England on 12 December 1925, the son of Richard and Lillian Ethel (Underwood) Kingston. He grew up mainly in Kent, England, and went to school at Seven Oaks School for Boys. During his later teens, he would remember the V-1 rockets or 'doodle bugs' hurling down during World War II. Barry was commissioned at the Royal Military College in

John Barry and Carolyn Jane Austin Kingston

Sandhurst. He joined the Queens Own Royal West Kent Regiment as a Lieutenant and demobilized in 1948. In 1949 he entered King Alfred's College and completed two years of teacher's training. That same year Barry married Sheila Margaret 'Dickey' Palfreyman. They had a daughter Lindsay Jennifer Kingston who married Ken Wood and lived in Salmon Arm, British Columbia, with their two children, Chris and Jodi Wood.

Barry and Dickey emigrated to Saskatchewan in 1955 where they both taught school, first at Pierceland, then in Lenwall near Lloydminster, Saskatchewan. In 1965, the family moved to Delta, British Columbia and Barry taught school in Surrey. Later Barry and Dickey divorced. While in Surrey Barry earned his Bachelor of History and English at the University of British Columbia in 1967, and earned a Masters of Education Administration at Western Washington University in the U.S. in 1981. Barry was Vice-Principal of the Fleetwood Elementary School in Surrey when he retired in 1986.

Barry learned to fly in 1968. He subsequently built part of an airplane in the basement of his house, finishing it later at the Delta Airpark. He married a second time, but it ended in divorce. Barry enjoyed golf. What he lacked in skill, he made up for in enthusiasm, and was a great believer in Mulligans. He also had a natural talent with pen and ink and created several framed pictures which demonstrated his skill. Barry has a great sense of humor, always seeing the funny side of most situations.

Carolyn and Barry lived in their house on the side of a hill, surrounded by trees, birds and flowers. They lived on almost a quarter acre in Mission, enjoying their dogs, deep sea fishing, and gardening. Both sang in the church choir, and for four years Carolyn chaired the colorful 53-foot church float in Mission's Candle Light Parade. For declining health reasons, they now reside in a large condominium in Chilliwack, British Columbia. Carolyn and Barry have no children together, but they enjoy the children and families of Barry's first marriage.

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stable over thousands of years. Individuals sharing the same M marker profile are said to belong to the same haplogroup. By contrast, the repeat number at a DYS locus changes much more rapidly. Changes in repeat number occur as a result of a copying error, from slippage during pairing. Present knowledge suggests that the repeat number at a given DYS locus has about a 1 in 300 to a 1 in 500 chance of changing per generation. It is not known whether some DYS loci are more stable than others, but this seems quite likely. An individual's DYS alleles reflect his recent ancestry.

Y-chromosome marker profiling is now being offered commercially for up to 25 markers, 12 being about the minimum needed in genealogical studies. A particular DYS marker profile (a particular combination of DYS alleles) is known as a haplotype, and will be passed from father to son usually with no change. The more markers for which testing is carried out, the greater the chance of the marker profile of a son differing slightly from that of his father, but the more unique that profile will be. For these reasons, the interpretation of DYS marker profiles is subject to some uncertainty. For a 25 marker comparison, one mismatch is likely to occur after 12 to 20 generations. If we are interested in comparing the profiles of two males whose most recent common ancestor was 6 generations ago, it is quite likely that there will be one mismatch (a total of 12 father-to-son transitions separate the two males from each other). If a perfect match is found there is practically no chance of misinterpretation. If there is a mismatch at one DYS locus, it will not necessarily mean that that individual was fathered by someone outside the line. Testing of cousins and uncles may establish at which point in the genealogy the DYS allele changed. It should be pointed out that some haplotypes are more common than others. If a given Austin line turns out to have a common haplotype, false positive matches may be found in the database of the testing organization, though it is quite unlikely that they would share the same surname. Thus males with the same DYS marker profile (haplotype) should not be assumed to share a common recent male ancestor, especially if their haplotype is relatively common. There needs to be independent evidence that they may have a common ancestor. Likely, though not invariably, they will have the same surname, and/or they may trace their roots to the same geographical area (village or town).

AVAILABILITY OF DNA PROFILING

Several companies offer marker profiling for those interested in their family history who wish to augment the 'paper trail' (birth & marriage information) with DNA evidence. At present, FamilyTreeDNA in Houston, Texas, seems to offer a good value service. A 25-marker test for

an individual costs \$229. A group of people may form a Project, and the group rate is \$169. The analyses are done at a laboratory associated with the Division of Biotechnology at the University of Arizona in Tucson. The Division is the home of the YCC (Y Chromosome Consortium), and is a major center of research into the human Y chromosome. It has a large database of YDNA profiles and provides, as part of its service, e-mail addresses of any males it has tested that match the profile of the individual who has submitted his DNA for analysis. If an individual wishes to learn of any others who FamilyTreeDNA have tested, but not to have his profile information made available, this wish is respected absolutely. Apart from FamilyTreeDNA, other companies undertake DNA profiling (both for Y chromosome markers and mtDNA markers), in the US and in other countries. Among these other companies are: Relative Genetics, Oxford Ancestors and Gene-Tree. A web search for 'DNA profiling' will show up these companies and the services they offer.

THE FUTURE

We may expect that many more DYS loci will be discovered, that more will be learned about the stability at these loci of individual alleles, and that the analytical methods for Y-DNA profiling will be improved and costs reduced. As more individual profiles are determined, the base of information that genealogists can call on will increase, perhaps allowing them to learn more of family history before paper records were kept.

The Austin surname and its variants is most unlikely to have a unique origin. Thus, many of those with the surname Austin will not share the same Y-DNA profile. It may, however, be possible to find families within the total population of Austins who share the same profile but are not aware that they may share a common ancestor. The Austin-Austen DNA Project is one effort that promises to make such discoveries possible.

FURTHER READING

D. L. Hartl and E. W. Jones, *Essential Genetics: A Genomics Perspective*. third edition. Published by Jones & Bartlett, Sudbury, MA, 2002. (An introduction to genetics including molecular aspects that may be of interest to a non-specialist wishing to learn about human genetics.)

Spencer Wells, *The Journey of Man: A Genetic Odyssey*. Published by Penguin Books, New York 2003. (A non-technical account of human migration, based mainly on evidence from theM series markers.)

Numerous scientific journals publish articles on aspects of the Ychromosome and genetics, including their relevance to genealogy, paternity testing and forensics. These journals include: *Trends in Genetics*, *Human Biology*, *American Journal of Human Genetics*, *International Journal of Legal Medicine*, and *Human Molecular Genetics*. These journals will be found in many university libraries. However, most articles found in these and other scientific journals are written at a highly technical level for specialists in these areas.

DEFINITIONS

Allele - One of the different forms of a gene or DNA sequence that can exist at a single locus. Also, one of several alternate forms of a gene occupying a particular location on a chromosome.

Chromosome - Is composed of DNA, which itself is composed of four nucleotides: containing A (adenine), T (thymine), C (cytosine) or G (guanine). Humans have 46 chromosomes. Of these, 44 'pair' and recombine (exchange DNA) during the cell division (meiosis) that leads to sperm or ovum formation. Human males have one X- and one Y-chromosome, and these pair only at their extreme ends. Human females have two X-chromosomes, which pair normally.

DNA - DeoxyriboNucleic Acid. A molecule made out of two strands that are tied together by hydrogen bonds; each strand being made up of a chain of nucleotides, joined by their bases (A,T,C or G).

DYS - Stands for D = DNA, Y = Y-chromosome, S = segment. In the present context of Y-DNA testing, S denotes Short Tandem Repeat.

Gene - A sequence of nucleotides (typically 1000 or more) that code for an enzyme or other protein. See allele.

Haplogroup - Distinct Y chromosomes, defined solely on the basis of unique mutation event (UME) combinations, are designated as haplogroups. Each haplogroup shares the same UME combination but may, and usually does, vary in Y-STR haplotype.

Haplotype - A set of alleles (genes or DNA polymorphisms) inherited as a unit. A contraction of the phrase 'haploid genotype'. Different combinations of STRs form haplotypes.

Locus (plural **loci**)- A specific location on a chromosome. Also, the position on a chromosome at which the gene for a particular trait resides.

M - Symbol to indicate a SNP, e.g. M173, which originated some 30,000 years ago and is present in many males from Northern and central Europe.

Marker - Allele of a gene, or DNA polymorphism, that can be used to keep track of an individual, a chromosome, or a gene. Otherwise, any character that acts as a signpost or signal of the presence of an allele of a gene or heredity characteristic in an individual.

Mitochondrion - Mitochondria are subcellular entities, or organelles, that 'burn' sugar and thus produce the energy needed to drive cells, tissues and so the entire organism. Mitochondria contain DNA which is passed to the offspring of females.

MRCA - Most Recent Common Ancestor

mtDNA - The DNA in mitochondria. By comparison with chromosomes, mtDNA molecules are very small and usually circular.

Non-coding region - Region in a chromosome that does not code for a product. Sometimes known as 'junk DNA'. A large proportion of most chromosomes is thought to be of non-coding DNA.

Non-recombining region - In the Y chromosome, the great majority of the chromosome which does not recombine with the X chromosome.

Nucleotide - A molecule composed of a sugar (ribose or deoxyribose), a phosphate group and one of four bases (Adenine, Guanine, Cytosine or Thymine).

PCR - Polymerase Chain Reaction, a method of DNA analysis that amplifies a specific DNA region, allowing rapid analysis for STR or M alleles.

Polymorphism - A naturally occurring or induced variation in the sequence of genetic information on a segment of DNA. It can be a SNP, or especially in the Y-chromosome, an STR.

SNP - Single Nucleotide Polymorphism. Otherwise known as Unique Mutation Event (UME). In the present context, a change, generally in the non-coding region of the Y-chromosome, in one nucleotide (e.g. A changed to G). Such changes (mutations) are very stable over many generations, and persist in the male line.

STR - Short Tandem Repeat (also known as a microsatellite). For example:- DYS385, which has the sequence GAAA repeated from 7 up to 23 times. Thus [GAAA], is one of about 20 alleles at this locus. A particular male will have one of these alleles. Rarely, a copying error will occur that will form a different, sometimes new, allele in a male line.

UME - Unique Mutation Event. See SNP.

X-chromosome - Human females have two copies of this chromosome.

Y-chromosome - In humans, the chromosome carried only by males and passed from father to son, with little or no change.

AUSTIN-AUSTEN DNA PROJECT – PROFILES TABLE

Kit	1st Generation	2nd Generation	3rd Generation	Other Generations	393	390	19	391	385a	385b	426	388	439	389-1	392	389-2	458	459a	459b	455	454	447	437	448	449	464a	464b	464c	464d	
1812	John Austin ba.1692 of Southside VA	?	William bc.1750	>M>M>M>M>M	15	21	16	10	16	18	11	12	12	14	11	31														
3128		John Jr. bc.1720	Isaiah b.1759	>M>M>M>M>M>M	15	21	16	10	16	18	11	12	12	15	11	32														
8647	William Austin b.1793 CT	Jedediah b.1833	Lafayette Kossuth	>M>M>M	12	23	14	10	14	17	11	15	11	13	11	29	14	9	9	11	11	25	15	21	29	14	14	15	16	
8672	Thomas Austin b.1767 MD	Thomas bc.1816	Thomas Gilmore	>M>M>M	15	23	17	10	15	17	11	13	11	14	12	31														
12188	Thomas Austin b.1727 of Barbados	Richard bp.1770	Charles Ayde	>M>M>M	13	23	14	11	11	14	12	12	11	13	13	28	18	9	10	11	11	26	15	19	31	15	15	17	18	
????		William bp.1759	William Piercy	>M>M>M>M	Numbers match previous line except for a single DYS location mutation																									
11349		William bp.1759	John Gardiner	?>M>M>M>M	13	22	14	10	13	14	11	14	11	12	11	28	16	8	9	8	11	22	16	19	30	12	14	14	15	
????		Thomas bp.1762	William b.1794	?>[?]>M>M>M>M	Preliminary results indicate no match with the Kit 12188 test results																									
13568	Samuel Austin b.16?? of Boston MA	Thomas b.1671	Thomas b.1692	>M>M>M>M>M>M>M	13	23	14	11	11	14	12	12	12	13	13	29	17	9	10	11	11	24	15	19	29	15	16	17	19	
13566		Thomas b.1671	Zebediah b.1701	>M>M>M>M>M>M>M	13	23	14	11	11	14	12	12	12	13	13	29	17	9	10	11	11	24	15	19	30	15	16	17	19	
16561		Thomas b.1671	Benjamin b.1694	>M>M>M>M>M>M>M																										
13565	Richard Austin bc.1598 England of Charlestown MA	Anthony b.1636	Nathaniel b.1678	>M>M>M>M>M>M>M	13	22	14	10	13	14	11	14	12	12	11	29	15	8	9	8	11	22	16	20	28	12	14	15	16	
14164		Richard b.1632	Joseph b.1667	>M>M>M>M>M>M>M	15	23	15	11	15	15	11	13	11	14	12	31	16	8	9	11	11	25	14	20	27	11	14	14	15	
16603		Anthony b.1636	Richard b.1666	>M>M>M>M>M>M>M																										
13567	Robert Austin b.16?? of Kingstown RI	Edward bc.1667	Edward bc.1690	>M>M>M>M>M>M>M	12	23	14	10	14	17	11	14	11	13	11	29	14	9	9	11	11	25	15	21	29	14	14	15	16	
14165		Jeremiah bc.1664	David bc.1694	>M>M>M>M>M>M>M																										
13716	Robert Austin b.1794 NH	Jonathan b.1813	William Bicknell	>M>M>M																										
14387	William Austin b.1813 NY	William Allen b.1836	Samuel Marcus	>M>M	12	25	16	10	14	17	11	15	11	12	11	28	15	8	8	11	11	27	16	19	29	13	15	15	19	
14691	James J. Austin bc.1822 GA	James Madison b.1851	Thomas Demetrous	>M	13	24	14	11	11	14	12	12	12	14	13	30	17	9	10	11	11	24	16	19	29	15	16	16	16	
15049	William Austin b.1700 VA	Charles bc.1725	James Allen b.1764	>M>M>M>M>M>M	13	24	14	11	11	14	12	12	12	14	13	30	17	9	10	11	11	24	16	19	29	15	16	16	16	

Notes: (1) The "Kit" number is the FamilyTree DNA.com sample number. (2) Bold numbers at the top of the rightmost 25 columns are the DYS numbers. (3) A ? indicates a break in the known paper documentation, so the subsequent males in the line may not be descended from the first generation male. Thus the DNA test was done to determine whether or not the DNA donor was a descendant of the listed first generation male. (4) The rightmost M under "Other Generations" is the DNA donor. (5) b. = born, ba. = b. after, bb. = b. before, bc. = b. circa, bp. = baptized, d. = died, da. = d. after, db. = d. before, and dc. = d. circa.

DNA PROFILING OF THE JOHN AUSTIN LINE OF SOUTHSIDE VIRGINIA

by Dan C. Wharton

According to an article by Janet Austin Curtis in *The Virginia Genealogist* [Oct-Dec 1961, pp.147-154], John Austin of Cornwall Parish and Lunenburg County, Virginia was probably born between 1680 and 1700. His origins are unknown, but some speculate he came from Kent, England. The first record for John appears when he and a Richard Austin asked the Brunswick County, Virginia, court to add them to the list of tithables. John eventually became Lunenburg County constable and owned at least 1,000 acres in what later became Halifax and Pittsylvania.

In one document John's son, John Jr., identified himself as a Saponi Indian and his wife Mary McBee as a Susquehanna Indian. We assume his Saponi link was through his mother, Hannah Love Austin. John Sr.'s will mentions his wife Hannah and sons John, Valentine, Stephen, Richardson and Joseph. Prior to about 1715, immigration lists have far more males than females, and historians note that marriage to Native American women was encouraged. The Austin family is probably remarkable only in that a record exists of tribal identification.

DNA testing for this family resulted from a question by a descendant of William Austin of Anderson County, Tennessee. Circumstantial evidence had suggested that William Austin – who was born about 1750, married Mildred Dalton, and died in Anderson County – was likely the same William Austin listed as a son of John Austin, Jr. William's family had some documented association with known sons of John Austin, Jr. For instance, John Jr.'s son, Isaiah Austin, was married to Lucy Blevins, and some other members of the Blevins family married into William's family. We employed 12-marker YDNA tests to compare a known descendant of John Austin Jr. through his son Isaiah Austin with a known descendant of William Austin. The results (see Kit 1812 & Kit 3128 in the DNA Profiles Table on page 856) show a close match of a rare haplotype with what amounts to a single mutational difference at DYS 389-1 and 389-2. This DNA evidence in combination with traditional research now allows an excellent degree of confidence that William Austin of Anderson County, Tennessee was in fact a son of John Austin Jr. and a brother to Isaiah.

Now that the haplotype of the John Austin Jr. line has been identified, we can ask more questions about this family. Are we correct in connecting John Austin, Jr. to Constable John Austin of Lunenburg County? The latter's sons Richardson and Joseph have male line descendants today whose Y-DNA can be compared with John Jr.'s. Whether or not these lines match, we will gain additional information on the origins of John Austin, Sr. Will his haplotype match that of the Austins of Kent, England? Already, the number of different haplotypes for various Austin families suggests that the differences may be associated with unrelated Austin family founders from distinct geographical regions in the British Isles. Testing some British Austins with deep roots in their respective counties might provide major insight into our American Austin origins.

DNA PROFILING OF THE THOMAS AUSTIN OF BARBADOS LINE

by Roger Brian Austin

The Thomas Austin of Barbados line appears on page 715 of *Austins of America*. Y-DNA samples from two documented descendants of Thomas were analyzed. One descendant was six generations from Thomas and his first wife, the other five generations from Thomas and his second wife. Thus the most recent common ancestor (MRCA) of these descendants was Thomas Austin. Their DNA profiles (see table on page 856, Kit 12188 and the line immediately below it) differ only by a single mutation at one of the 25 markers analyzed, which confirms the expected relationship between them.

A person whose family lived in Guyana until recently, and who was thought to be a descendant of Thomas Austin and his first wife, provided a DNA sample for analysis. The Profiles Table shows that person's Y-DNA (Kit 11349) differs markedly from that of the known Thomas descendant (Kit 12188). This shows unequivocally that the putative Austin descendant is not a descendant of Thomas Austin. Further investigation into this line suggests that this putative Austin may be a descendant of a female Austin, and an attempt is being made to locate a living male line descendant of that female's husband. If one is found, and he is willing to have his DNA tested, then a match between his Y-DNA marker profile and that of the putative Austin would reveal the relationship now suggested.

DNA PROFILING OF THREE NEW ENGLAND AUSTIN LINES

by Michael Edward Austin

As part of the Austin-Austen DNA project, two DNA samples were tested for each of the three largest Austin lines – Richard Austin of Charlestown, Massachusetts, Robert Austin of Kingstown, Rhode Island & Samuel Austin of Boston, Massachusetts. The Samuel results (Kits 13566 and 13568) differ only by a single mutation at DYS marker 449, confirming the expected relationship between them. A third test will determine whether Samuel had a 29 or 30 at DYS 449. The Richard results (Kits 13565 and 14164) differ markedly from one another, so at least one of the donors cannot be descended from Richard. A third test is planned to help unravel this problem. One Robert result (Kit 14165) was not available in time for this report, so the putative Robert result (Kit 13567) has not yet been confirmed. Results to date indicate no connections between the known Samuel, the putative Richard, and the putative Robert lines. Kit 8657 differs by a single mutation at DYS 388 from the putative Robert Kit 13567, at last revealing William Austin's line. Kit 14387 shows no connection to any of the lines tested to date. Kit 14691 is a perfect match to Kit 15049, confirming that James J. Austin of Georgia is of the William Austin of Virginia line. The Austin-Austen DNA Project Profiles Table will be expanded over time to include numerous other known Austin lines, and it will become a valuable resource for those researchers seeking to identify their Austin lines via DNA.