



Austin Family Association of Lost Creek



21st Annual Reunion

LOST CREEK, WHITE COUNTY, TENNESSEE

September 29, 1985



WILLIAM and JINSEY (PHIFER) AUSTIN were the children of pioneer White County, Tennessee settlers. William's parents were NATHANIEL and MARY AUSTIN of Lost Creek, and Jinsey's parents were JOSEPH and LUCINDA WITT PHIFER. William (3 Sept. 1805 - 28 Nov. 1878) and Jinsey (8 Sept. 1818 - 7 May 1875) lived in the Mt. Gilead community of White County and are buried in the Methodist cemetery there. Their children were JOHN (1836 - 1839), MARY STACY (1838 - 1923), LUCINDA (1840 - ?), twins ELIZABETH ANDERSON (1841 - 1872) and SUSAN (1841 - 1862), THOMAS A. (1844 - 1931), NANCY SCOTT (1846 - ?), MARTHA JANE (1849 - ?), FORRESTER (1851 - 1870), NATHANIEL (NATIE) (1853 - 1929), JAMES R. (1857 - 1888), and HANNAH MIRANDY WITT (1862 - 1937).

William and Jinsey Austin wed the 23rd of December, 1834. The photograph of this couple is used courtesy of Mrs. Eva Witt Palmer, a great-granddaughter, who now lives in Rossville, Georgia. It was given her by her grandmother, Hannah Austin Witt.

NEWS OF THE AUSTIN FAMILY

LINDA JEAN McCASKEY graduated from Tennessee Tech University on June 8, 1985, and she was united in marriage on June 22 to Billy Hickey at Sparta's First United Methodist Church. They live in Tech Village, Cookeville. Linda, the daughter of Jack and Illa McCaskey (formerly of Pennsylvania but now of Sparta, TN), is a granddaughter of Rama and Lillie (Austin) McCormick..... another granddaughter of the McCormick's, LISA McCORMICK, was married to Kevin Richards on May 17, 1985 at Sparta's Bear Cove Baptist Church. She is the daughter of Jim and Bernita McCormick..... On Dec. 8, 1984, JONGEE KAY SMITH was wed to William Kevin Jarvis at the Livingston (TN) Church of Christ. Jongee is the daughter of Jimmy and Gwin (Dycus) Smith and a granddaughter of Mrs. Goldie Dycus and her late husband Jimmy Dycus of Sparta. Jongee is currently doing an outstanding job as assistant manager of Wal-Mart Store in McMinnville and often helps set up new Wal-Mart Stores around the country. ...KENDA COLLEEN BRASHEAR, daughter of Ken and Colleen (Davis) Brashear of Dallas, TX, was wed to William Marks (Bill) Dalrymple on June 8, 1985 at the Perkins Chapel, SMU, in Dallas. They now live in Austin, TX where Bill is taking advanced courses at the Univ. of Texas Law School. Kenda is a granddaughter of Frank and Hazel Davis of Dallas. (Frank is a son of the late EPHRAIM and ATTIE ANDERSON DAVIS of Tennessee).

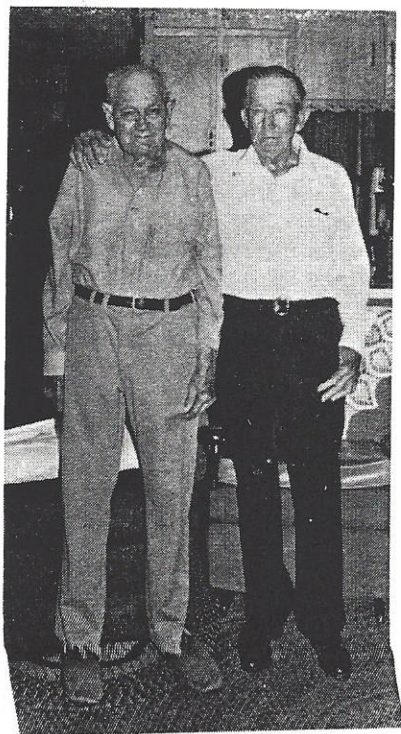
BIRTHS: JAMES ANDREW (ANDY) DAVIS was born on Sept. 7, 1984 to Tana and

Wayne Davis of White County, TN..... BENJAMIN RYAN GOODWIN was born October 1984 in Israel to Myron & Carol Goodwin. Mr. & Mrs. Wm. A. (Bill) Goodwin of Cookeville, TN are the grandparents..... NATALEE MARIE ANDERSON was born November 27, 1984 to Billy and Brenda (Dycus) Anderson of Sparta, TN. Natalee is a granddaughter of the late Jimmy Dycus and Mrs. Goldie Dycus of Sparta. Andy Davis is a grandson of Leonard and Dorothy Davis of White County, TN..... OTHER NEWS: Lt. JEFFERY AUSTIN, son of Luther, Jr. of Knoxville, is a Naval Flight Officer, flying from the U.S.S. Carl Vinson in the western Pacific. A '79 UT-K grad, he pilots an antisubmarine jet aircraft.



THE AUSTIN FAMILY GATHERING AT LOST CREEK'S AUSTIN CEMETERY at the
1984 REUNION

DEATHS: We are saddened by the passing of these members of our clan during the past year: Oct. 16, 1984=MRS. BESSIE CUMMINGS MITCHELL, 87, of Spencer, TN died in Sparta. She was the widow of Aaron Mitchell (who died July 1, 1970) and was buried at Cummingsville Cemetery. Bessie was the mother of Mrs. Faye Smith and grandmother of Greg Smith.....F. C. BOYD, JR., 61, died Oct. 27, 1984. The brother of our J. Austin Boyd, McMinnville, F. C. was widely known as the man who helped keep the rates low as a member of several area utility boards and agencies. He will be missed by many water and electricity users in this region, perhaps especially those limited-income folks who he sought to help....ESCOL HALE, 93, of Frasier's Chapel community in White County, TN. Last year he and his good wife Sophia, celebrated their 70th wedding anniversary. Escol died March 13, 1985. He is featured in a commemorative volume on the area's World War I veterans, THE EAGLE book #4 (available at Haston's Bookstore in McMinnville, TN).....August 26, 1985=NATHAN LAWRENCE, 78, was the husband of Mamie, daughter of Dal & Randy Austin Oaks. Burial was in Zion Cem., Ozark, Ill. His daughter Mildred lives at Creal Springs, southern Illinois.....FRANK T. AUSTIN of Dallas, TX, died in late August 1985. He was retired from Braniff Intn. Airline after 42 years and is survived by wife Roslie, daughters Linda Sauls & Phyllis Austin, & brother J. C. Austin, Morristown. Burial: Restland Mem. Park, Dallas. Our sympathy to all the families of these departed kinsmen and to any others who we may not be aware of having departed this life.



OTHER NEWS: The photo at left is of brothers JAMES L. ANDERSON, 88, of Rusk, TX and RUFUS ANDERSON, 78, of Pikeville, TN. They are grandsons of Elizabeth and Thomas Anderson (featured in our 1983 Austin Newsletter). The happy occasion was James' birthday on April 7, 1985 at Rusk.....MRS. J. AUSTIN (ALENE DAVIS) BOYD was the editor of a 1984 history, FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF McMINNVILLE, TENNESSEE. A large, well-illustrated volume, it has been complimented by several authorities as the best local church history book of the Tennessee Methodist Conference.....Alene's son, LARRY BOYD, wrote LEGACY OF THE CIRCUIT RIDERS: THE METHODIST CHURCHES OF WARREN COUNTY, TENNESSEE in commemoration of the 1984 Methodist bicentennial.....Congratulations to EDD and GENEVA (SAPP) DAVIS of Van Buren County, TN, who celebrate their 50th anniversary of life together on September 28, 1985.....The AUSTIN FAMILIES ASSN. OF AMERICA has sent some very interesting newsletters this year. Membership is \$5 a year. Write Oliver & Lorena Austin, Rt. 1, Bx. 233, Claude, Tx 79019.....And remember to send items for this Austin Newsletter to your editor, Larry C. Boyd, P. O. Box 512, McMinnville, TN 37110. Ph. (615) 473-2574.