

THE GOBLE FAMILY NEWSLETTER

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Hi there, Goble Cousins!

Reunion time is approaching and we have plans for a great Goble Family Association 2016 Reunion! Next summer our reunion is scheduled to be in the Minneapolis, MN area. Many thanks to Chuck and Ginny Goble, who live near there, for doing the legwork of helping us find a reunion site. Our reunion hotel is the **Hilton Minneapolis/Bloomington**, where we will have a block of rooms set up for us. **Rates are \$99 + tax for a king room and \$109 + tax for a room with two double beds.** The hotel contact information is on the Reunion Registration page in this newsletter. We also have our own webpage for room reservations. (see reservation form.) If you reserve your room by phone, please call the hotel directly and mention the **Goble Family Reunion** to receive our special rate. **Reunion cost for attendees ages 12 and up is \$55 each. Children ages 3 to 11 are \$25, and children under the age of 3 are free.** That charge covers the lunch and miscellaneous expenses.

T-shirts were very popular at our 2007 reunion in Branson, Missouri, so we're doing them again in 2016. Because of increased costs of everything, we can't include the T-shirts in the reunion package unless we raise the cost. Instead, we are giving you the option of ordering them at \$10 each. Those of you with little ones may be saying, "Hey wait a minute!" But the cost of having shirts for the kids is actually a little MORE than for the adults. So we are charging the same for all of them.

You will find the registration page in this newsletter with all the details spelled out. In order to make it practical to hold the reunion, we need to have at least 50 people committed to attending. It is VITAL that we know ASAP if you are planning to attend. Those of you who have been

to one of our Reunions know how much fun they are. I hope to see many of you there! Please be sure to complete the registration form and send it to me at my address on the registration page along with your check made payable to Goble Family Association, so I have names for name badges and sizes for T-shirts.

Our plan is to hold an informal gathering on Friday evening in the Washington Room. We may have a presentation on Goble DNA research for those who are interested. We are fortunate to have several of our newer members serve as our resources in this area. If you have family items or information to share, let us know how much space you will need, so we can have enough table space available. We will set up exhibits early Saturday morning and have our program in the late morning. The buffet lunch at noon will be followed by awards and our business meeting. We can spend the rest of the afternoon visiting and taking the exhibits down.

Our program will be a film, "Echoes of World War II – a Bay Area Perspective", produced by Goble cousin, Patricia Weaver. If you want to see a preview, the link is <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zcJ10QTzgcs>

Evelyn and I have talked and have both come to the conclusion that it is definitely time to find others in our group who are willing and able to take on leadership roles. If you want to do something to benefit the Association, please contact me (bgvolker@comcast.net) or Evelyn (EvelynGobleSteen@gmail.com).

I wish you all a blessed Christmas and a happy and productive New Year.

Barbara Goble Volker

President/Treasurer
and 2016 Reunion Chair

A Series of Strange Accidents in the Lives of Martin, Aaron and Frank Goble

Lawrenceburg, Indiana Is there such a thing as luck? Is there a destiny which shapes our ends against which it is useless to strive? Yet what strange fate has pursued this Goble family for more than 50 years? Read the record of accidents which have befallen them. If it is not luck, if it is not fate, what is it? Of the ten sons born to Aaron Goble, only five are living and three of them have passed through experiences which brought them into the valley and the shadow of death.

The first accident was when James Goble, age 22, lost his life in the explosion of the steamer Redstone on the Ohio River, April 3, 1852. Two additional Lawrenceburg men, Ell G. Crisman and Edmond N. Durbin, brother of former Governor Winfield Durbin, were also killed. All three were printers. Friends in life, in death they were not divided. A single monument marks the spot where they rest in the old cemetery.

Twenty-four years later, his brother Isaac lost his scalp in a collision on the I C & L Railroad. He survived, but met his death four years later in a manner, the details of which remain unknown. On May 4, 1880, his severed body was found beside the track at the end of town.

After several years, there came to the three living brothers a succession of casualties, which only by their barest chance did not result fatally.

More accidents have befallen Martin than would normally happen to a dozen men. As a boy while playing ball, he was struck in the head, causing injuries which it was feared would terminate fatally, but he recovered within three weeks. For 23 years he was employed by the Ohio Valley Coffin Co. In 1898, while engaged in piling wood, a board flew out of his hands and hit him, fracturing his skull. It was predicted he would be laid up for three months, but he was back at work in two weeks.

Two years later he suffered a more serious accident. While carrying a board into the machine room, Mr. Goble fell off a platform and fractured his spine. For eight days he lingered between life and death. From the effects of these injuries, he was compelled to use crutches for three years, and he could not work for five years. After regaining his health, he purchased a horse and cart, and began hauling coal. Again, what many persons would term "bad luck" seemed to overhang the man's determination. Within three days, he suffered many mishaps. A broken finger was followed by a horse tramping on his foot, mashing off a toenail. He then stepped off of a coal boat and injured his back. Most men encountering such accidents would ask, "What next?" But not Mr. Goble. He faced the future resolutely and hopefully. He was rewarded by a few years in which to follow his daily occupation with nothing to add to his past misfortunes. But in 1912, while trying to help his friend's horse, which had fallen, the animal threw itself against Mr. Goble, breaking his leg. 8 days later, the leg

was broken in the same place, and he was disabled for 17 weeks. Before this, Mr. Goble had a narrow escape from death when a Big Four engine killed the horse he was driving and demolished the cart upon which he was seated. He saved himself by jumping. Amidst everything, he has been optimistic and cheerful. His philosophy of life is summed up in his own words as "The man who gives up is the man who's going to let go."

Aaron Goble is the youngest brother. He too was an employee of the Ohio Valley Coffin Co., his service lasting 24 years. He reached middle age without meeting any major accident. But in 1907, he fell through the hoistway at the factory from the machine floor to the basement, landing on his hip. This laid him up for several weeks.

Twice within a few months in 1911, Mr. Goble suffered injuries which appeared to be permanent. In February, while carrying a casket, he fell across a pile of molding and dislocated his left kneecap. Barely three months passed by when he was again injured, this time more seriously. While stacking lumber, a gust of wind blew an eighteen foot board and it crashed upon his head, causing a fracture of the skull. Incredible as it may seem, he continued to work all afternoon, but the next day he was confined to his bed. He was unable to get up for six weeks. Two months later, a surgeon cut out a piece of his skull as large as a silver dollar. Examination showed that a section of the brain about three inches in diameter was practically dead. Since the fracture, Mr. Goble has not been able to do anything except light work. Those who know his experience marvel that he is alive. **But Goble grit is the kind that does not give up.**

Frank Goble is serving his fourth year as city clerk. He is the oldest of the three, but his appearance does not indicate that he has reached the age of 62. He was also employed by the Ohio Valley Coffin Co. During his service extending over 26 years, during which he was engaged in running machinery, he escaped without injury. Equally remarkable is the fact that he lost only 2 1/2 days on account of sickness. "But there came a day," to quote from the Book of Job, and with that day came affliction threatening. What is termed a orloid cancer developed in his right leg. The variety is so rare that the attending physician said that it is the second one of which he had ever seen. Three times within four months the affected limb was opened and the bone scraped, but to no avail. In March 1908, surgeons amputated the leg at the hip. It was several months before Mr. Goble recovered from the operation, but there has been no recurrence of the cancerous growth. Physicians familiar with the case say there will never be. Throughout his affliction, Mr. Goble was ever hopeful that he would get well, and he is well.

If one does not believe in fate or in luck, then again the question asked at the beginning. "What is it?"

Excerpted from The Indianapolis Star November 24, 1913

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WELCOME GOBLE FACEBOOK FRIENDS

Join our Goble Genealogy Facebook page. We currently have 474 members and lots of good discussion about all sorts of Goble history. We also have a closed Facebook group for Goble Genetic Genealogy. Contact Rebecca Evans a member of our Goble Genealogy Facebook page to join.

Please go to Facebook and enter "Goble Genealogy" <https://www.facebook.com/groups/259543309607/>

GOBLE ASSOCIATION BUSINESS

The Bylaws of the Goble Family Association call for the election of officers triennially at the time of our reunion. Since we had to cancel our 2010 meeting on the West Coast and no election was held in 2013, officers elected in 2007 have remained. That current slate of officers is as follows:

PRESIDENT (Treasurer): Barbara Goble Volker
SECRETARY: VACANT
NEWSLETTER EDITOR: Michaela Kehrt
HISTORIAN/GENEALOGIST: Evelyn Goble Steen
NEWSLETTER DISTRIBUTION: Barbara Goble Volker

REGIONAL REPRESENTATIVES:

Mountain: VACANT
Midwest: Glory Lund

South: Nada Watrous
East (Atlantic): Evelyn Goble Steen
Canada: VACANT
Western (Pacific): Miji Ryan

REUNION COMMITTEE CHAIRS BY REGIONS

Western: Barbara Goble Volker
Midwest: VACANT
East: Brian Valentino

If you would like to nominate someone, or volunteer to perform in any of offices listed, please let us know. Call Barbara Volker with questions about the responsibilities of the offices.

NOMINATIONS/VOLUNTEERS: If nominated, the candidate must agree to serve.

Goble Athlete

HollyAnn Goble was named the Southern States Athletic Conference Women's Cross Country Runner of the Week October 19 after setting a new school record with a 5K time of 19:31 at the Choctaw Open. She became the first Auburn University of Montgomery women's runner to earn the award. Last year she received the Army ROTC Achievement Award and was named the Southern States Athletic Conference Women's Cross Country "Runner of the Week" four times. HollyAnn is the daughter of Olen and Rebecca Goble. She is majoring in biology and is a member of the College Bowl at AUM. Her other activities include serving as Athletic Affairs secretary in the Student Government Association and belonging to the Tri-Beta and Alpha Epsilon Delta health science clubs. She is a member of the executive board for the National Society of Leadership and Success and the AUM Student-Athlete Advisory Committee. HollyAnn is from the Southern Goble tree.



WEDDINGS

Kathleen (Kat) Kehrt (12) and Sean McAuley were married in Cranbury, New Jersey at the home of her parents, Michael (11) and Allan Kehrt, on June 19, 2015. Kat's sister, Emily, officiated. The wedding was small, with only intermediate family, the family dogs, and a few very close friends attending. The next day was the PARTY, a backyard barbeque complete with an ice cream truck handing out wonderful ice cream treats. Friends and family competed in lawn games and canoe and kayak races. A week after the wedding, Kat and Sean left to spend a month traveling to their new home in the Denver area via Montana and California, camping (with their dog) in as many national parks as possible. Kat now teaches in a local elementary school and Sean has a job with a structural engineering company. Kat and Sean met in a rock climbing gym and now spend most of their free time climbing and hiking.



OBITUARIES

James Scott Goble, 86, of Peoria, Illinois passed away on Tuesday, July 21, 2015, at his son's home in Knoxville, Tennessee. He was born on November 14, 1928, to Forrest and Lela (Botchlett) Goble in Racine, Wisconsin. James married Norma Luecht on May 22, 1948. James is survived by his wife, his sons, David S. of East



Peoria, Robert A. of Knoxville, and James R. of Peoria; six grandchildren; and sixteen great-grandchildren. James was preceded in death by his parents, two brothers and two sisters. He served our country in the U.S. Navy from 1946 to 1948. James was a baker for Sunbeam Bakery for 27 years. *(Thomas Goble Tree)*

Rachel K. Terry, 37, of New Castle, Indiana, passed away February 4, 2015, after a long battle with cancer, surrounded by family and Friends. She was employed by Hillcroft in New Castle. Rachel loved babies, animals, music and her family. She enjoyed participating in the Special Olympics, doing well in swimming and track. She is survived by her parents, Christi Goble (Mark Scherry) of Decatur and Dennis (Judy) Terry of Silver Springs, Florida.; sisters, Leah (Adrian) Dennis of Ocala, Florida, Faun Terry of Plano, Texas, April Hogle, Brandy Terry, and Shannon Shively, all of Fort Wayne; brother, Clinton Goble of Hampton, Virginia.; and many aunts, uncles and cousins. She was preceded in death by her brother, Nathaniel; and grandparents, Gerald and Evelyn

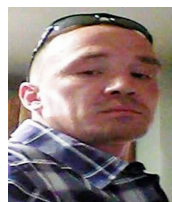


Terry

(Smith)Terry, Chris Choka, and Frances and Jim Strong. *(Thomas Goble Tree)*

Michael Jayson-Ross Tackett, 34, passed away March 19, 2015 in Stamping Ground, Kentucky. He was born on January 23, 1981 in Lexington to Michael J. and Lynda Goble Tackett. Along with his parents he is survived by his brother, Cliff Tackett; grandmothers Joyce Tackett and Florence Goble; and numerous aunts, uncles, and cousins. Funeral services are 1pm Sunday, March 22, 2015 at Tucker, Yocum, & Wilson Funeral Home. Burial will be in Masonic Cemetery. *(German Goble Tree)*

Billy Jo Goble, 38, a lifelong resident of Scranton, died unexpectedly Sunday at home. Born in Scranton, Pennsylvania, son of Llewellyn and Ann Marie Krisovitch Goble, he was employed by Sarno and Son. He loved his children, his family and his dog, Diesel; and he will be dearly missed. Surviving are his wife, Tina Goble, three children, Sandy Goble, Jon Michael Rocco and Tina Goble, all of Scranton; a granddaughter; three sisters, Ann Marie Shaffer and her husband, Bill, Dickson City; Angie Goble, Scranton; and Margaret Goble, Scranton; three brothers, Llewellyn Goble, Scranton; John Goble, Throop; and Jesse Goble and his wife, Vicki, Old Forge; aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews and cousins. *(Unconnected Goble Tree)*



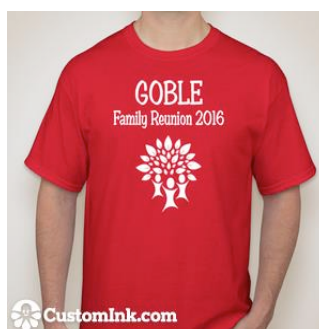
Lois A. Goble Grubbs, age 78, of Hamilton, Ohio passed away at home on April 26, 2015 surrounded by her family. She was born in Hamilton on November 20, 1936 to the late Cletus and Ruth Goble. On June 20, 1958, she married Merle Grubbs. Lois was a loving wife, mother and caregiver to their daughter Toni. She was a longtime member of First Baptist Church of Hamilton where she served as a Deaconess. Lois is survived by her husband Merle, a son; Mike (Linda), daughters; Amy (Lester) Jones, Kim (Steve) Wolter, Teri (John) Stark, and Beth (Randy) Payne; grandchildren Paden, Jake, Emily, Alexandria and Anna Stark, Caleb and Hannah Jones and Allyson Payne; great grandson Chance Grubbs and her faithful companion Otis. She is also survived by brothers, Don (Liz), Gordy (Margaret), Harry (Susan), Henry (Edith) and Dale (Becky); and numerous nieces, nephews, family and friends. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by a daughter, Toni Grubbs and grandson, Isaac Stark. **(Hawkhurst Goble Tree)**



Harold Eugene "Gene" Goble, age 87 of West Salem, Illinois passed away on November 5, 2015 at Richland Memorial Hospital, in Olney, Illinois. He was born on September 28, 1928 in Louisville, Illinois to Edgar Pearl and Stella Mae (Sparling) Goble. He was a veteran and served his country between WWII and the Korean War; he entered in May 1947 and was honorably discharged in May 1950. Gene and Marilyn Cutright married on March 17, 1953 in Carmi, Illinois. He worked in the oilfields for over fifty years, retiring at the age of 80. Gene found enjoyment in rabbit and squirrel hunting with the boys, just being outdoors was where he preferred to be; whether it was cutting wood, mowing the lawn or tinkering. In the early 1970's he could often be found stock car racing at the White Squirrel Speedway. Gene's kids and grandkids were #1 in his book, and "He loved Moms' cooking!"; Mom, being Marilyn, the mother of his

nine children. He was preceded in death by his parents, granddaughter, Adrienne Pina and nine siblings: Tony, Rosemarie, Sherman, Therman, , Betty, Billy, Tris, Clarie Mae and Tom. Left with wonderful memories are his wife, Marilyn, five daughters: Derinda Goble Tynan, Rory (John) Yates, Lannie (Tony) Hayes, Macy (Clarence) Bell and Revel (Eric Honnold) Turner, four sons: Kim Goble, Barry (Lisa) Goble, Tod (Tammy) Goble and Dink (Denise) Goble, two sisters: Lou (Walter) Hundley and Selma Franstead, two brothers: Jim (Carole) Goble and Ron (Jeanie) Goble, seventeen grandchildren: Jade and Seth Lemmons, Landon and Logan Yates, Lindsay Summerfield, Ethan Goble, Kyle, Jacob and Justin Goble, Sydney and Cale Hayes, Mariah Nichols, Megan Raber, Mallory Goble, R.J., Dalton and Santana Turner, and 17 great-grandchildren.. Burial will be in the Zion United Methodist Cemetery in West Salem with military rites. **(Thomas Goble Tree)**

Wilma F. Knechtel, 74 of Coudersport, Pennsylvania, passed away July 20, 2015 at Cole Memorial Hospital in Coudersport. Born February 6, 1941 in Wellsville, New York, she was the daughter of Bertheir and Clara Barr Goble. Wilma worked for many years as a nurse's aide at Cole Memorial Hospital prior to her retirement. She also attended the Coudersport Alliance Church. Wilma is survived by her children; Paul R. (Lisa) Knechtel, Buffalo, New York, Christopher M. (Theresa) Knechtel, Palatine, Illinois, Theresa A. (Mark) Sipes, Coudersport, and Timothy A. (Ann) Knechtel, Smethport, Pennsylvania, brother, Larry Goble, Summit, Missouri and Lucille Goble, Hollywood, Florida, twelve grandchildren and eighteen great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her son; Brian Keith "Tigger" Knechtel, sister, Loretta Clark and former husbands; Robert B. "Hut" Knechtel, R. Elna Weimer and Arthur D. "Jim" Haight. Wilma's graveside service was held Thursday, July 23, at the Hill Cemetery in Roulette, Pennsylvania. **(Unconnected Goble Tree)**



2016 Reunion T-shirt

REUNION PROGRAM

The article below describes Pat Weaver's three year effort to create the film that she will show at our reunion next summer. Afterward there will be time for questions and sharing of experiences. She doesn't mention it in the article, but Pat did her part in those years by entertaining wounded soldiers as a child performer with Kay Kyser's band.

Patricia Weaver produces documentary about the children of World War II

Three years ago, Patricia Weaver decided to give voice to the children of World War II. The result is a 38-minute film that she produced featuring the stories of nine of these children who are now in their 70s.

"The concept I strived to convey was one of unity, of Americans coming together with a common purpose," said Weaver, 78. She was a child growing up in Southern California during WW II. "I have lived my entire life in war – World War II, the Cold War, Korea, Vietnam, Iraq, Afghanistan. But, World War II was different," Weaver said.

The film "Echoes of World War II – a Bay Area Perspective" is the result of her three-year effort. The documentary tells about fathers who went to war and never came home, about how families coped, what it was like to be Japanese after the Japanese attacked Pearl Harbor, how people did without and of holiday dinners with servicemen as guests.

"This was the biggest thing I've ever done in my life," said Weaver. "It was the biggest challenge and the most successful and most meaningful thing I've done. I was there. I know what went on."

Three years ago, Weaver got the idea to make the film. She knew nothing about movie making, but quickly learned how to plan, research, film and edit a movie and then to publicize it. Always the optimist, she managed to enlist a director...and a musician...who did the original score. She also found a cameraman and the people to interview, some of who (sic) live in Rossmoor...Much of the money to make the film came from Weaver.

The idea was to show through their stories the unity Americans felt as they came together for a

common purpose. "Everyone had someone in the service," Weaver said. And, everyone did what they could on the home front to help soldiers on the front lines, she said. Children saved rubber bands, their parents bought war bonds, nurtured victory gardens, made their own soap and were air raid wardens, among other things.

Weaver wants to take her film to the nation. She hopes to inspire those children of World War II to help today's American soldiers who fought in Afghanistan and Iraq.

By Cathy Tallyn, Staff Writer for Rossmoor News – Reprinted with permission



Reserve your spot at the 2016 Goble Family Reunion in Bloomington, MN!

When: July 8-10, 2016. Reunion Location: Hilton Minneapolis/Bloomington, 3900 American Blvd. West, Bloomington, MN 55437, phone 952-893-9500. If you phone to register, **be sure to mention Goble Family Reunion to get our special rate.**

Or go to our Goble Family Reunion website to register:

http://www.hilton.com/en/hi/groups/personalized/M/MSPBWHF-GOBFAM-20160707/index.jhtml?WT.mc_id=POG

Rooms must be booked no later than the 8th of June. Reservations made after the 8th may not be at the special rate. Cancellation of rooms will be accepted no later than May 21st.

Our Group Rate is \$99 + tax per night for King Room

\$109 + tax per night for Double/Double Room

Wireless Internet access and parking are complimentary with your room

The Luncheon on Saturday will include*:

Market Salad with Radishes, Peppers and Tomatoes with Buttermilk Chive Dressing

Crispy Fried Chicken

Molasses Braised Beef Short Ribs with a Honey Molasses BBQ Sauce

Skin-On Mashed Potatoes

Chef's Seasonal Vegetables

Rolls and Butter

Chef's Selection of Whole Fresh Fruit

Apple Pie

Coffee and Tea

*Please let us know if you have specific dietary needs.

Yes, I will attend the 2016 Goble Family Reunion.

(PLEASE PRINT)

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Spouse/S.O. Name: _____

Email: _____

Additional Names: _____

Cost per person is \$55.00. Children under 12 are \$25.00, under age 3 are free.

Adults: number in your party: _____ **x \$55.00 =** _____

Number of Children (ages 3-11): _____ **x 25.00 =** _____ **# of Children (under 3):** _____

Number of T-shirts _____ **x10.00** _____ **If ordering give sizes below.**

Total: \$ _____ **(Check to Goble Family Association enclosed)**

PLEASE PRINT NAMES for Nametags & T-shirt size (additional names & sizes on the back)

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Display table/s needed: _____ **How many miles will you be traveling?** _____

Deadline for Reunion Reservations is 7th of April, 2016.

Make your check out to: **Goble Family Association.** If you have questions, call **Barbara at 559-432-6330.**

Mail to: **Barbara Volker, 2016 Goble Family Reunion, 684 West Stuart Avenue, Fresno, CA 93704**