Soule Kindred Newsletter

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Soule Kindred Gravestone Project by (The Revd. Dr.) W. Becket Soule, O.P.

Genealogists are known, and often mocked, for tromping through graveyards in search of their ancestors’ gravestones. Put this hunt to good use!

Soule Kindred in America is compiling a gravestone database containing important information about the stones for research purposes as well as to save this valuable information for future generations. While the original intention was only to record the first five or six generations, on further reflection it appeared advisable to record all Soule gravestones, of whatever generation. Many gravestones become illegible or disappear because of weather, age, vandalism, or other causes, and this will preserve the record, and even a picture, even if the original stone is no longer legible or extant.

Sites such as Find-a-Grave and Billion Graves are somewhat spotty in their coverage, and frequently erroneous, because the writeups are regularly downloaded from Ancestry trees, and are not checked. For example, the gravestone pictured in the entry for Seneca6 Soule (1760-1829) clearly says that the person buried there—who is, in fact, named Seneca Soule—“died in the 18th year of his age.” So that can’t be the 69-year-old!

A form is included on page 10.
Greetings family and friends!

I admit, sometimes I am reluctant to do something new. How often do we have a new program thrown on us at work? A new password we are required to create? Or a new roundabout we’ll need to drive on? New can be a bit daunting.

But new can also be better. Exciting. Productive. Even fun! In this issue of Soule Kindred Newsletter, we have lots of new! Becket Soule explains our new Gravestone Project (cover). A new location is announced for our next Reunion in 2024—where we’ll have Soules in the Smokies (page 7).

If you need new tips and tricks for your family research, contact the Lineage Assistance Committee (page 9). New Members can be found on page 11. Our newest Strategic Plan is described (on page 12) and can be accessed on our website (https://soulekindred.org/strategic-plan). And you can help build our Board of Directors by nominating new candidates (form on page 14).

Lastly, I need new material for upcoming issues of Soule Kindred Newsletter. See examples of past articles (page 13). Please send your family stories, personal hobbies, and even recipes to me, Kathleen Kingman, at my new email address: kathleen.kingman@soulekindred.org

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2024 Soule Kindred Reunion in Maggie Valley, NC
Mark your calendar for Sept. 13–15, 2024 for our next big reunion. Lots of fun activities are in the works.

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Greetings cousins and friends!

I hope all our cousins are surviving the strange weather we have been facing—heat, storms/flooding, wildfire smoke!

We held our Annual Meeting on April 22nd where we reviewed our Strategic Plan. This is available on the website (https://soulekindred.org/strategic-plan) and I would appreciate your thoughts about the plan. Feel free to share your thoughts with me or anyone on the board.

As we move forward, we need to continue to increase our membership and determine more ways to add value for existing members. The Membership Committee has been reinvigorated with a couple additional volunteers—Liz Pierson and Selene Bennett. Along with chair, Andy Turner, they have recently updated the communication we send out to new members as well as those whose membership has lapsed. They also updated the brochure touting our organization. This is available on the website. We will be distributing some of these at the GSMD Congress in Plymouth this September.

The Research Committee is also taking a new focus on autosomal DNA, hopefully giving us the ability to start linking more recent generations to each other (your “distant” cousins).

We will have two opportunities to get together during Congress in Plymouth. See more details below and be sure to contact us if you plan to participate as numbers are limited.

You should have received notice about nominations for the Soule Kindred Board. You can also look for more information in this issue (see page 14]. We need three new board members for the term starting in January of 2024 through December 2026. This is a great opportunity to play an active role in steering this organization! You can nominate yourself!

We are in the beginning stages of planning a 2024 reunion in conjunction with the Delano Kindred. This will be in September 2024 in Maggie Valley, NC. If you are interested in assisting with the plans, please contact me or Becket Soule (see page 7).

Lastly, remember that we are always looking for more volunteers. This organization can’t survive without active membership! See the list of committees and the names and contact information of the chairpersons available on the website and in the newsletter (see page 15).

Chris Schlosser
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Attending Congress this September?

Some Soule Kindred members will be taking a tour of the King Caesar house in Duxbury on Friday, September 8th. This will be followed by a memorial service for our long-time member Judy Hughes. If you are interested in participating, please contact Andrew Turner at Andrew.Turner@soulekindred.org

There is a limit on participants for the house tour so please let us know if you plan to attend. Friday evening, we will be gathering for dinner at a local restaurant —Dutch treat. Please let Cynthia Stone know if you plan to attend as we will need to update our reservation: Cynthia.Stone@soulekindred.org

Any general questions, contact Chris Schlosser at Christine.Schlosser@soulekindred.org
The information being collected is as follows:

**Name of Deceased:** name on the gravestone; any other names by which the deceased was known (such as maiden name).

**Descent from George1 Soule:** if the person submitting this does not have that information, Soule Kindred’s sleuths can add it. In the case of a Soule spouse (alliteration is a hard habit to kick), the lineage would be for the Soule descendant (such as “Spouse of George3”, etc.), unless both spouses were directly descended from George1 Soule, in which case both lineages would be provided as well. If there is more than one lineage, at least one will be listed.

**Inscription on Marker:** copied exactly as it occurs on the marker. Dates and names are to be recorded exactly as they read, so that errors, misspellings, gaps, etc. are recorded without any correction. If necessary, a note can be appended indicating any errors. If there is an inscription, that should be copied as well. Distinguishing features should also be noted, such as the kind of marker, if buried next to spouse, children or parents, etc.

**Cemetery and Location:** This is important, since so many cemeteries are in remote places, or are on private property and regular public access to them is not possible. Many cemeteries have similar or identical names. At least a street address should be given, although if there are GPS coordinates, that information is welcome.

**Comments:** State and condition of the marker (fallen over, illegible, vandalized, etc.), condition of the cemetery (on private property, overgrown, etc.), location on cemetery map (such as plot or guide number [such as A-4, B-7, etc.]), or any other relevant notation.

**Photograph or digital image:** if possible. If none is available immediately, it can be added later.

Forms can be submitted to: gravestones@soulekindred.org

As an example, here is an entry for my father’s grave:

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Mary Athearn Matson, 89, passed away in Charlottesville, Virginia, on Sunday, November 20, 2022. [George, John, Josiah, Micah, Asa, Almond, Moses Kimball, Lucetta Sarah (Soule) Royalty, Florence (Royalty) Athearn, Clarence]. Mary was a Life Member of Soule Kindred in America.

She was born Mary Florence Athearn on March 15, 1933, in Washington, D.C., the daughter of the late Clarence Royalty Athearn and Laura May Armstrong Athearn.

Mary is survived by her husband of 68 years, Robert Edward Matson; her children, Laurie Matson Fear, Jeanne Matson Blake (Michael R. Simpson), and Robert Scott Matson; as well as grandchildren, John Henry Blake and Alexis Danielle Blake Werbacher (George Werbacher).

Mary spent her childhood in the Bronx, New York City. Eventually, her family moved to Athens, Ohio, where she graduated from Athens High School in 1950. She continued her studies in Athens at Ohio University. While at university, she met her husband, Bob. They were married after Mary graduated cum laude in 1954 as a member of Mortar Board national honor society. After their wedding, while Bob served as an Army 1st Lieutenant in Korea, Mary worked as a teacher and docent at the Dayton Art Institute in Dayton, Ohio. Upon Bob’s return from Korea, the couple returned to Athens to work as graduate assistants while pursuing their master’s degrees. Mary received a Master of Fine Arts in Design with a minor in Art History from Ohio University in 1958.

With master’s degrees in hand, along with their first child, Mary and Bob moved to Bloomington, Indiana, where Bob completed his doctoral degree at Indiana University. Their next move was to Waukesha, Wisconsin, where Mary, now a young mother of two, taught painting and drawing at Carroll College and Bob served as Dean of Men.

In 1965, after their third child was born, the family moved to Kent, Ohio, where Bob was a university administrator. In 1970, they moved to Houlton, Maine. The family remembers Mary hosting many students, faculty and board members while Bob was President of Ricker College.

In 1974, Mary and Bob made their final move to Charlottesville, Virginia. Once settled in with her busy family, Mary worked as a substitute teacher for both the city and county schools, as a graphic artist for the county planning department, and as a custom framer at Frames Etc.

One of Mary’s passions was genealogy. Her research took her to archives, libraries and records offices across the country, as well as to Scotland and Finland, retracing the steps of family ancestors. She was a generous genealogist, often helping friends and extended family with their research. Mary shared her deep love of nature with her family and friends. She was an avid bird watcher and could identify all manner of plants and animals on nature walks. Her love of books and reading was prominent throughout her life. She also enjoyed attending her water exercise classes, where she made many special friends.

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Soule Kindred Remembers Continued

Clarence Herbert Soule, 78, passed away on June 11, 2021, after a long battle with bladder cancer. [George, Nathaniel, Sylvanus, William, Jacob, Jacob, Ebenezer J., Jacob Deloss, Harrison Avillo, Charles A.]. Clarence was a Life Member of Soule Kindred in America.

Clarence was born on April 12, 1943, to the late Charles and Sarah (Vermilyea) Soule; the youngest of 7 children. Family meant the world to him, and he wore the title of son, brother, husband, dad, grandpa/pepa and unk proudly. He is survived by his loving sister, Dorothy Giordano; predeceased by his sisters Daisy VanEtten and Nettie Juett, and brothers Stanley, Audrey and Harrison.

Clarence married his childhood sweetheart and adoring wife of 58 years, Jeanne (Thompson) Soule; together they had 4 children: Sarah Mader; Yvonne (Kevin) Mead; Clifford (Maureen) Soule and Jessica (Jim) Franz; as well as 2 bonus children: Carolyn (Phil) Butt and Wesley (Becky) Benson. Their family circle continued to grow with grandchildren: Dana (Bellamy) Swann; Tonya (Thomas) Weber; Dillon (Elizabeth) Mader; Veronica (Joe) Underwood; Kevin (Sue) Mead; Miranda Mead; Ariana and Kyle Creech; and Haley Benson; and great grandchildren: Shaun; Gerald; Jacob; Jackson; DeAnna; Taylor; and sadly, predeceased by Kaiden and Johnathan.

Clarence and Jeanne served as the inseparable dynamic duo as pillars of the mountaintop community of Jewett, NY. Clarence’s dedication to his church and community showed through his warm smile, laughter and a heart to help anywhere he could. He was an elder of the church for over 40 years. He was honored for his 60 years of service with the Jewett Fire Department. He founded and served many years on the Jewett Rescue Squad. He worked for the Town of Jewett as a tax assessor and councilman; was Chairman of the Jewett Democratic Committee for 15 years; and delivered Meals on Wheels. He and Jeanne were NYS and Greene County Senior Citizens of the Year in 2005. He was employed as a milk tester for 19 years, then became a school bus driver/mechanic at WAJCS for 33 years. A better man than he would be most difficult to find.


Born in Pensacola, FL, he was the son of the late Richard W. and Vera Mae (Davis) Phillips. He was a graduate of Bridgewater-Raynham High School. Michael was both a U.S. Navy and Army veteran, serving in the Vietnam War. He was a member of Taunton Area Vietnam Veterans Association (TAVVA).

Michael worked as a nursing assistant at the V.A. Medical Center in Brockton, MA, for over 20 years until retiring in 2008. He enjoyed photography, and visiting the Cape Cod Canal and Newport, R.I.

Michael was the beloved husband of Patti (Mullaney) Phillips for 19 years; loving brother of Debby Luce and Karen Bessette; and an uncle of many.
Soules in the Smokies!
Come to Maggie Valley, NC
for our Soule Kindred Reunion
September 13–15, 2024

Soule Kindred in America invites you to our next reunion in Maggie Valley, North Carolina, in the heart of the Great Smoky Mountains, from Friday, September 13, through Sunday morning, September 15, 2024.

For those who wish to go to the General Board of Assistants meeting of the General Society of Mayflower Descendants, the Delano/Soule reunion is scheduled for the weekend after that meeting in Asheville, North Carolina, about 30 minutes away. We are planning this reunion jointly with the Delano Kindred.

Friday and Saturday will feature two excursions: one is to Biltmore House in Asheville, the largest private residence in the United States and the birthplace of the North Carolina Mayflower Society, which celebrates its centennial in 2024. The other excursion is to the Great Smoky Mountains National Park, the largest National Park in the United States. In nearby Cherokee, North Carolina, the Tribal Archives at the Museum of the Cherokee Indian will be putting on a special exhibit for us on William Holland Thomas, the Colonel of Thomas’ Legion in the Civil War. He was the last “white chief” of the Cherokee, and a Mayflower descendant (from Isaac Allerton).

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The reunion will conclude with a brunch on Sunday morning and attendance at special reunion services at Saint Margaret of Scotland Catholic Church, up the hill from the retreat center.

For those who wish to add on an extra day, we have a special event scheduled in Delano, Tennessee (there is a Soule’s Swamp in North Carolina, but this will be much more attractive). On Thursday, September 12, we plan a steam-powered ride on the Tennessee Valley Railroad and a visit to the scenic Nantahala Gorge. For the less adventurous, there is a winery in Delano, as well.

Accommodations will be at Living Waters Catholic Reflection Center in Maggie Valley on Jonathan Creek. There will be a festive dinner each night, with topical speakers, as well as time for the annual meeting.

The closest airport to Maggie Valley is Asheville (AVL), served by all major carriers. There is no public transportation in the mountains, however, but rental cars are available at the airport in Asheville. The airport is between half an hour and forty-five minutes from Maggie Valley; the town is just off I-40.

Look for more information in upcoming issues of Soule Kindred Newsletter but block out the dates in your calendar now! and We need volunteers to help make our reunion in the Smokies a most spectacular event! Please contact Becket Soule and the Reunion Committee to help!

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E-mail: wbsoule@rcdoc.org (official) or bsoule78@gmail.com (personal)
Do you recall the thrill you felt when you finally found information about the one ancestor needed to link you to *Mayflower* passenger George Soule? Many of your cousins are still searching for that one ancestor needed to complete their lineage.

Our Lineage Assistance Committee (LAC) assists Soule Kindred members by researching a member’s lineage based on information supplied by the member and by data in our Soule Kindred database. Some new members list their lineage as part of their Profile on our Soule Kindred website. This may be a complete lineage, a partial lineage, or no lineage at all. When no lineage or only a partial lineage is listed, an email is sent to the member requesting (if known) the full name at birth, date and place of birth, marriage and death (if deceased) for themselves, their parents and their Soule grandparent. If known, the same information is helpful if supplied for other Soule ancestors and their spouses.

Upon receiving a reply from the member, a LAC member begins to research or verify the information provided using available resources. When the identification or verification of ancestors is completed, it may be shared with other committee members for confirmation. Once confirmed, the lineage is posted as the Accepted Soule Lineage (ASL) on the member’s Profile and is added to the Directory of Members with Accepted Lineage. This Directory can be accessed under the MEMBERS button after logging in to Soule Kindred website https://soulekindred.org.

Enter in the Search dialog box the name of the member with the Accepted Lineage that is to be viewed followed by a return. The Name of the Member and their Accepted Soule Lineage will appear. The guidelines and conventions used for the listing of the members’ lineage can be found by clicking on the HERE link above.

As of the writing of this article, there are 379 members listed in this directory.

In a future issue of *Soule Kindred Newsletter*, we will have an article covering what goes on behind the scenes at the Lineage Assistance Committee (LAC). In that article we will describe the basic processes used by the LAC members and the challenges they encountered in reviewing and accepting a member’s George Soule lineage.

Submitted by the Lineage Assistance Committee:
Amy Badertscher, Jackie DeBaeremaeker, Pat Tilley, with Co-Chairs Andrew Turner and Steven Mortenson.
### Soule Kindred Gravestone Project Form

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Submitted Form to: gravestones@soulekindred.org
New Members July 2022 – June 2023

Alabama
Sarah Hodges
Kiley Soule

Arizona
George Soule, III

California
Carole Cotter
Maryann Garcia
Kimber Patscheck
Mary Sayles

Florida
Muriel Cushman
Cathy Johnson
Pamela Klitzka
Michelle Jackson

Georgia
Ashley Silverman

Iowa
William Boatman
Scott Davis

Kansas
Rodney O’Neil

Maine
Rebecca Miller
Massachusetts
Marie Jennings
Nancy McDonald

Michigan
Steven Blackburn
Rachael Jones
David Seiter
Kathleen Wages

Missouri
Cynthia Horn
Lawrence Kratz
Kevin Olson

Montana
Lianne Gregory

Nebraska
Richard Dalton
Edward Sowl

New York
Linda Penwright
Daniel Soles

Ohio
Ann O’Toole-Pastore

Pennsylvania
Cheryl Hayes
Albert Kennedy
Kevin Smith

South Carolina
Francis Frame
Audrey Massie

Texas
Linda Hoerner

Washington
John Hughes

Wisconsin
Cheryl Timm

US Virgin Islands
Steven Schlosser

Alabama
Sarah Hodges
Kiley Soule

Arizona
George Soule, III

California
Carole Cotter
Maryann Garcia
Kimber Patscheck
Mary Sayles

Florida
Muriel Cushman
Cathy Johnson
Pamela Klitzka
Michelle Jackson

Georgia
Ashley Silverman

Iowa
William Boatman
Scott Davis

Kansas
Rodney O’Neil

Maine
Rebecca Miller
Massachusetts
Marie Jennings
Nancy McDonald

Michigan
Steven Blackburn
Rachael Jones
David Seiter
Kathleen Wages

Missouri
Cynthia Horn
Lawrence Kratz
Kevin Olson

Montana
Lianne Gregory

Nebraska
Richard Dalton
Edward Sowl

New York
Linda Penwright
Daniel Soles

Ohio
Ann O’Toole-Pastore

Pennsylvania
Cheryl Hayes
Albert Kennedy
Kevin Smith

South Carolina
Francis Frame
Audrey Massie

Texas
Linda Hoerner

Washington
John Hughes

Wisconsin
Cheryl Timm

US Virgin Islands
Steven Schlosser

Did you know...
In 1644, John Winthrop established the Saugus Works, which had a dam to provide water, a smelting furnace, a forge, and a rolling and slitting mill. The facility produced two types of iron—cast iron that could be poured into molds to make a product, and pig iron, lumps that could be remelted and used in manufacturing.

John Winthrop was the 2nd, 6th, 9th and 12th Governor of the Massachusetts Bay Colony.

It took 66 days for the Mayflower to complete the 2,750 mile journey from Plymouth, England, to Cape Cod, MA. The ship averaged less than 2 mph.
Soule Kindred in America (SKA) a non-profit member organization founded in 1967 by two descendants of Pilgrim George Soule: Col. John Edward Soule and George Standish Soule. Membership is open to anyone, although most are descendants of George Soule. Soule Kindred programs and activities include:

- **Soule Kindred Newsletter** that documents the history and milestones of the Soule family in America produced three times per year.

  - Lineage assistance to families researching their ancestors.
  - Reunions, hosted in different locales, where cousins can meet, mingle, and learn about their shared history.
  - Research on Soule family genealogy, including DNA testing, in U.S. and Europe.
  - College scholarships awarded to Soule descendants.
  - Communication through a variety of outlets, including newsletters, website (soulekindred.org), Facebook, email, and U.S. mail.

The Board recognizes that the Strategic Plan is a living document that will change over time as new opportunities and circumstances occur. Therefore, the plan will be revisited each year in January and revised as needed.

**Vision**
Researching and preserving the heritage of Pilgrim George Soule, his wife Mary Beckett Soule, and their descendants for future generations.

**Mission Statement**
Soule Kindred in America is the premier resource for information about the history and genealogy of George Soule, his wife Mary Beckett, and their descendants. SKA will continue to expand and support a vibrant, active family community; increase our understanding of the history and lives of our ancestors; and assure this information is available to future generations.

**Goals**

1. Soule Kindred in America will continue to focus on the following areas:
   - Collaborate with other genealogical and historical organizations.
   - Provide resources and services to members.
   - Maintain a strong financial base.

2. Soule Kindred in America will further the knowledge base of George and Mary (Beckett) Soule, and their descendants:
   - Research the heritage and ancestry of George and Mary (Beckett) Soule and their descendants.
   - Collect and update information and documentation on George and Mary (Beckett) Soule and their descendants.
   - Educate and promote the efforts of SKA to the general public and membership via effective and accurate communication. The Strategic Plan provides a roadmap for Soule Kindred of America to be used over the next three years.

You can read the entire 2023-2026 Strategic Plan at: [https://soulekindred.org/strategic-plan](https://soulekindred.org/strategic-plan)
Wanted: YOUR STORIES!!!! A Call for Submissions

Soule Kindred Newsletter has shared stories from cousins, like you, since the very first issue was published in January, 1967. George Standish Soule, the first editor, knew that readers want to hear about Soules. Yes, we want to hear about George and Mary and the many famous Soules from the past. But we also want to hear about each other.

Through my years as editor, some of my favorite stories have come from people who have interesting hobbies, passions, or vocations. For example, I got to interview Daniel Soule, who told me all about his family’s all-natural shave ice business on the island of Kauai, Hawaii. [See “The Fresh Shave” on page 12 of the Summer 2019 issue, Vol. LIII, No. 2].

The following Summer 2020, we got to know cousin, Barb Moritz, who wrote about her “Skeletons in an Iowa Closet”. Barb has lived in Australia for 48 years and now volunteers at the Historical Society. Barb’s article described how she discovered that her Canadian forefather was a Patriote AND a convict in Tasmania! And her family ended up in… Iowa! (see Vol. LIV, No. 2, page 6).

Also in that issue, we met “Country Girl” cousin Candy Bennett Raffaele who was awarded first prize in the weaving category at the national level of the DAR American Heritage Committee contest. Candy’s Hitched Horsehair Hatband celebrated 100 years of Idaho’s women’s suffrage (page 8).

“Buttons, Buttons and MORE Buttons! was a fun story about Anna Bristol’s Great Aunt Bertha, who collected thousands of special buttons and even created artwork like The Button Church featured in the photo at left (see the Fall 2020 issue, Vol. LIV, No. 3, page 8).

Mrs. Dolbee is seen holding her folk art creation, The Button Church, c. 1960s

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Soule Kindred Board of Directors Nomination Form
for Period beginning January 1, 2024 and ending December 31, 2026

Please note: Board directors must be members of Soule Kindred in America in good standing and are expected, when possible, to attend virtual quarterly meetings and annual meetings during their term of office. Board members must also be familiar with the internet and use email. Feel free to nominate yourself or someone else.

Name of Nominee: ________________________________________________________________________________
Address: _________________________________________________________________________________________
City: __________________________________________ State: ____________ Zip Code: _______________
Telephone: _______________________ Email: ________________________________________________________

Professional Experience: _________________________________________________________________________
_________________________________________________________________________________________________
_________________________________________________________________________________________________
Other Experience: (personal, volunteer) ____________________________________________________________
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Please indicate which of the following skills / experience / expertise the nominee / you possess. (Check all that apply.)

○ Accounting and Finance ○ Business / Business Administration
○ Computer Expertise / Web Development ○ Fundraising
○ Genealogy ○ Legal
○ Marketing ○ Volunteer Coordination

What area(s) of Board work might the nominee / you be most interested in? (Check all that apply.)

○ Board Policy and Governance ○ Finance
○ Fundraising ○ Communications
○ Social Media ○ Genealogy / History
○ Research ○ Reunion Planning
○ Marketing ○ Scholarships

Why are you nominating this person or yourself for a position on the SKA Board of Directors?
_________________________________________________________________________________________________
_________________________________________________________________________________________________
_________________________________________________________________________________________________

Your Name: __________________________________________________________ Date: ___________________

Please return to:
Kendra Richards Ohmann
32443 Meadow Lane
Saint Joseph, MN 56374
kendra.richardsohmann@soulekindred.org
A Call for Submissions continued

Cousin Anna also submitted her Great Aunt Bertha’s Maple Syrup Pie recipe. We LOVE recipes! Please send your recipes! Send your stories! We look forward to hearing from you!

Don’t worry about the grammar, punctuation or formatting. We can help with that! Just collect your stories and ideas and some photos or illustrations. Of course, articles about genealogical research are also welcomed and encouraged. Email them to me, your editor: kathleen.kingman@soulekindred.org

Great Aunt Bertha’s Maple Syrup Pie

I have experimented with Great-Aunt Bertha’s recipe three times and offer this updated version. This pie is not overly sweet, despite the quantity of maple syrup.

Put into a saucepan one cup of maple syrup, one cup of hot water and 1 1/2 tablespoons butter. Into a bowl put 2 tablespoons of cornstarch and enough water to make a thin paste. Add one egg yolk and beat well. Bring the syrup mixture to a boil, add 2 tablespoons of lightly cooled syrup into the cornstarch mixture, add to the syrup mixture, quickly whisking it.* When clear, pour into a Keebler Shortbread pie shell. Cool 3 hours in refrigerator, until set. Beat the egg white with 1 tablespoon of maple syrup; when stiff, drop in dollops over pie top and brown under the broiler to a deep golden color.

If some of the egg cooks, strain the finished filling directly into the pie shell.

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