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Neil and Marlene Bowen

Neil and Marlene Bowen are "snow birds" and spend their winters in Floral City, Florida, and their summers at their home in Wellsboro Pennsylvania.

Neil was born in 1935, the son of Clark David Bowen and Mildred Edwards and the Grandson of Ransom Wheeler Bowen and Vera Matilda Ingerick. He was the Great Grandson of Orson G. Ingerick and Nancy S. Klock (Andrew J., Adam A., Adam, Adam Johannes, Col. Jacob Klock and Hendrick Klock. Earl is a graduate of Charleston High School, class of 1953. He served as vice president of the Future Farmers of America Group in High School. After graduation he attended Pennsylvania State University where he graduated with a degree in dairy husbandry. After graduation he married Marlene Ruth Torpy. The daughter of Mr. and

Mrs. Maxwell Torpy. Marlene graduated from Wellsboro High School, class of 1954. Neil and Marlene were married June 16, 1957 by Rev. Edward T. Read, pastor of the First Methodist Church in Wellsboro, Pa.

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Neil was a prominent dairy farmer. He was selected as the 1969 Outstanding Young Farmer in the Wellsboro Area by the Wellsboro Jaycees. In partnership with his father, together they owned approximately 100 dairy cows. Neil developed the cow that was judged "All Pa. three years old" at the Eastern National Holstein Show.

Neil was a dealer in purebred Holstein cattle. He was a member of many associations among them the Pennsylvania Holstein Association where he held the office of President. He was a member of the Tioga County Extension Service, DHIA, 4-H, and NEBA where he has held many offices.

Neil and Marlene had two daughters, Ronda Lynne who married Franz Gaverning and Marcia Ruth who married Neil Buffington. Marlene and her daughter were active in Girl Scouts and loved horse- back riding. In 2009 Earl and Marlene for their 52nd wedding anniversary they took cruse to the Scandinavian countries.

Marlene sent me an obituary a couple years ago on Leon Klock which I have written the following Family Sketch. Leon lived in the Wellsboro area.

Family Sketch Leon H. Klock

Leon Henry Klock was born July 12, 1884 in Wellsboro, Tioga Co. Pennsylvania. He was the only child of Milan (Jeremiah, Adam A., Adam, Adam Johannes, Col. Jacob and Hendrick Klock) and Harriett "Peake" Klock. Milan was born March 15, 1857 and reared on the family farm.

When 21 he began operating the farm on his own account. On September 18, 1877 he married Harriet C. Peake, of **Continued Next Page**

Family Sketch of Leon Klock Continued

Charleston. He ran the farm for about four years. Then he conducted a meat market at Antrim, afterwards purchasing a 140 acre farm in Delmar, near Wellsboro in December 1883, where he had previously purchased a home and engaged in the live stock business, which he continued up to the time of his death. He was a member of the Methodist church and Knights of Pythias. Politically he had been a lifelong Republican. Active in civic affairs, he served on the Borough Council from 1888 to 1891, for many years he served on the School Board, and had held the office of Assessor for 50 years. Milan died August 1938. Harriett was born December 17, 1856 and died in 1925.

Leon's Grandfather, Jeremiah Klock came from a large family, he was one of ten children. Jeremiah was born in Herkimer, New York on May 3, 1824. Jeremiah was twelve years old when he moved with his family to Pennsylvania. Jeremiah being was of German descent and could not speak a word of English when they moved to Pennsylvania. . They lived on a farm about four miles from Wellsboro. Jeremiah married Maria Abrams on October 30, 1845. Five children were born from this union three daughters and two sons. Jennie, Clara, Milan, Nancy and Nelson Vilroy. Of the daughters: Jennie married Russell E. Ely, Clara married Sterry E. Kimball, and Nancy married William H. Smith. Of the sons, Milan married Harriett Peake and Nelson married Ada Bush. Nelson died June 25, 1900 at the age of 39. Nelson and Ada did not have any children.

In October 1877 Jeremiah moved in the town of Wellsboro. Jeremiah was a member of the Presbyterian church. Jeremiah and Maria had many happy years together and he was highly esteemed by all who knew him. Jeremiah died November 06, 1910 at the age of 86.

Leon H. Klock, the subject of this sketch graduated from the Wellsboro High School. In 1903 he secured a position in Blatchley & Campbell's drug store and began studding pharmacy. He became a student of pharmacy at the Medico-Chi College in Philadelphia. While there he developed a case of what was first reported as tonsillitis and was quarantined at the college hospital. His mother soon arrived at the hospital to assist in

his care. He was taken to the Municipal Hospital in Philadelphia where he was diagnosed with a serious case of diphtheria. With his mother at his bedside, his condition gradually improved.

Leon was active in the business life of Wellsboro. According to a note published in the Wellsboro Gazette August 23, 1906, "Leon H. Klock has a new Wayne runabout automobile, for which he has the agency for this section."



Above is a picture of a Wayne Automobile that I found on line. The Wayne Automobile Company was formed in 1904 by Charles F. Palms of Detroit, Michigan. The Wayne was produced from 1904 to 1908. Leon was 22 at this time.

On December 30, 1908 Leon married Marion Smith. They were the parents of three children, Henry, Harriet and Willys. In 1921, Willys, his son while crossing Main street in front of the Pagan jewelry store stepped directly into the path of a Ford car and was struck a glancing blow which knocked him to the pavement. There were a number of witnesses to the accident and much excitement prevailed for a time. The child was taken to the office of Dr. C. W. Webb who, after a careful examination, announced that the child was not seriously injured.

Leon was in the Insurance Business, he purchased the business in June 1010 and sold to Frank J. Campbell in Jan 1920. He was Manager of the KarBrak Chemical Company. He was a bookkeeper in the Tioga County Savings & Trust Co. One of the organizers and a stock holder in the company which built the Arcadia Theatre. He managed the cinema house for some years. Originally built in 1921 as a one screen movie house, the Arcadia was renovated in 1997 to house 4 screens, showing the latest Hollywood films. Leon also worked for the Auditor Generals Department of Pennsylvania, a position in which aptitude for detailed mathematical work was of **Continued Next Page** great value.

Leon Klock Family Sketch Continued

In 1934, while in Erie, working as a State Auditor, he became a victim of hold up. He went to a parking lot after his car, which he was about to enter, when two men jumped from behind a parked car, knocked him out and stole his car, money and valuables. He was severely beaten by his assailants. When he recovered consciousness some time later, he reported the assault and robbery to the police. The car had very little gasoline in the tank and the thieves abandoned it outside the city, where it was found, undamaged. His sons, Henry and Willys, and Lloyd Benjamin went to Erie and brought him home.

Leon Klock died at the age of 52 on August 30, 1936 in Harrisburg Hospital following an operation. Leon's wife, Marion was a Librarian in Wellsboro. She died April of 1972 according to the Social Security Death Index.

Willys Klock was born September 30, 1916 and died May 29, 1937 in a terrible car accident. He was 21 years of age. Henry was born September 10, 1912. When he nine years old he had what was reported as scarlet fever. With his mother by his side, he recovered. Henry attended State College. On August 20, 1939 in St. Anne's Church in Annapolis, Maryland he married Betty Covode Davis. The daughter of Navy Commande Covode Davis. At the time of their marriage Henry worked for Household Paper Products. In 1941 Henry was appointed manager of the Dixon Crucible Company at Harrisburg, Pa. Henry and Betty had three children; Janet, Marion and John Henry Klock. Henry died October 14, 2000.

Harriet attended Mansfield State Teachers College and received her degree in music at the College of Wooster, Wooster, Ohio. She was a member of the office staff of the Wellsboro Electric Company. She married Leon Niles, he was manager of the L.G. Niles Lumber Company at Wellsboro. Harriett and Leon had three children; Linda, Janet and William Harrison Niles. Harriet died at her home in Wellsboro on March 13, 1960.

Information for this Family Sketch came from several newspaper clipping and obituaries and the Obituary of Leon Klock sent to me by Earl and Marlene Bowen of Wellsboro, Pa.



Vernon R. (Bummer) Klock, Jr.

Vernon R. Klock, (known as Bummer) was born January 26, 1971 in Herkimer, New York, the son of the late Vernon R. Klock, Sr. (Kenneth Sherman, Sherman O., Jacob, Luther, John J. Jr., John J, Johannes Klock and Hendrick Klock) and Janet Benson Klock. I told you about the death of his father Vernon R. Klock, Sr. in Issue # 19, back in February 2003. Vernon Sr. was born March 22, 1942 and passed away December 30, 2002 at his residence after a long battle with cancer. Esophageal Cancer took the life of his son one year ago on Thursday, Feb. 24, 2011, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center, Utica.

Vernon (Bummer) graduated from Little Falls High School, class of 1989. He was united in marriage to his wife of 13 years, the former Erlene A. Barhydt, on Feb. 28, 1998, at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, Little Falls, with Rev. David Blank.

Bummer was an avid outdoorsman and sportsman, enjoying hunting, fishing and playing golf. He was employed by the city of Little Falls Department of Public Works, with more than 20 years of service. He worked as a heavy equipment operator and later took over the head greens keeper job at the Little Falls Municipal Golf Course.

Bummer is survived by his wife, Erlene A. Klock; his mother, Janet M. Klock; a son, Jacob, and daughter, Paige Klock, still at home; three sisters, Jean Marie Fowler and her husband,

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Adam, of Ilion, Michele Maiorano and her husband, Michael, of Herkimer, and Robin Klimacek and her husband, John, of Little Falls; three sisters-in-law, Brenda Morse and her husband, Ed, of Dolgeville, Jackie Cool and her husband, Charlie, of Michigan, and Shelly Leslie, of Little Falls; his in-laws, Beatrice and Earl Barhydt; several aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces and nephews; and the many special friends that he has made over the years. Vernon was a devoted and loving follower of Jesus, attending the New Life Church, Herkimer. He was predeceased by his father. Vernon R. Klock, Sr., on Dec. 30, 2002. His Uncles, William Roy Klock, April 29, 1999, James Kenneth Klock, March 01, 1993, His Aunts, Sharon Bessie Herringshaw, July 28, 1996 and Rose Mary Rockwell, April 30, 2010.

Funeral services took place on Tuesday, March 1, 2011 from the New Life Church in Herkimer, with the Rev. David Hayner officiating. Interment will take place in Mountain View Memorial Gardens, town of Little Falls, in the spring.

Kylie Klock Update

First of all, my name is Brad Klock (Kylie's father). I would like to thank you for helping my family by putting the notice in your paper. I just wanted to write to you and give you an update on how Kylie was doing. She is now 1 year and 3 months old. Last week, she started to get up on all fours and crawl a little bit. Kylie's treatments are going well and we have moved from going to the Cardiac Unit to the infusion center for her treatments. It's still at Children's Hospital, just another part of it. We have an appointment with the cardiologist in the coming weeks to take a look at her heart to see if it has gone down at all. They did tell us that her ejection fraction (the amount of blood your heart pushes out to the rest of your body) has gone up. When we took her into the hospital in September it was at 17% (which is in heart failure) and now it is around 24 %. So that is a great improvement.

Kylie has started to eat more table food, however she still does not chew that well. The pulmonologist checked her out the other day and apparently she is aspirating

food into her lungs. They are going to follow up with this in the near future, but she is still in great spirits and is improving and doing different things everyday.

I would like to thank you again for your time and generosity on helping my family with the article in the paper. I would also like to personally thank all the subscribers that sent donations to the Kylie Klock fund. All donations are greatly appreciated and it aweinspiring how many people are willing to help out with my child. I will try to upload some pictures and send to you also.

Thanks again! Sincerely, Brad Klock

To donate, sent a check to:

Kylie Klock Benefit Account c/o 1st Summit Bank 367 Locust St. Sidman, Pa. 15955

Klock Family Reunion

In the next issue of Klock Connections I will have more information about the upcoming Klock Family Reunion. I will also include a form you can use to let me know if you can attend.

Cemetery List



Information for this cemetery list comes from several different sources and therefore may not be completely reliable. If you have additions or Corrections, please let me know.

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Brownville, Cemetery Town of Brownville Jefferson County, New York

AKA: Dexter Cemetery

Klock, Elizabeth died June 13, 1883 at the age of 83yrs.9 mo., wife of Andrew Klock. Additional Information: Elizabeth Van Allen was born September 21, 1802. She married Andrew Klock (Henry J., John J., Johannes and Hendrick Klock) on February 25, 1824. No known children. Elizabeth parents were Richard Van Allen and Anna C. Zimmerman.

Klock, Eleanor M. (Chavoustie) b. 1921 wife of Fred B. Additional Information: Eleanor Chavoustie was the daughter of Earl C. and Julia Chavoustie. She married Fred B. Klock December 27, 1943. (See Line Below) No record of Burial in Brownville Cemetery. She may be alive. Her parents are buried in Cape Vincent.

Klock, Fred B. b. Aug. 12, 1921 d. May 2, 1980 married Dec. 27, 1943 WWII Vet. Additional Information: Fred B. Klock was the son of Ned James Klock (Thomas Cade, George Henry, Thomas A., George I., Johannes, Han Henrich and Hendrick Klock) and Rena M. Cook.

Klock, George H. b. Jan 21, 1890, d. April 17, 1962, married Dec. 5, 1915. Additional Information: George was the son of Thomas Cade Klock (George Henry, Thomas A., George I., Johannes, Han Henrich and Hendrick Klock). He married Isabelle E. Hollenbeck. I have no record of any children.

Klock, Harriett J. b. 1920-1922. Additional Information: Harriett, was "probably" the daughter of Earl E. Klock (Thomas Cade, George Henry, Thomas A., George I., Johannes, Han Henrich and Hendrick Klock) and Olga Hollenbeck.

Klock, Isabelle E. (Hollenbeck) b. March 14, 1897 d. Aug. 5, 1969, wife of George H. Additional Information: Isabelle Hollenbeck married George Henry Klock (Thomas Cade, George Henry, Thomas A., George I., Johannes, Han Henrich and Hendrick Klock).

December 05, 1915 in Cape Vincent, Jefferson Co., New York

Klock, Madeline A. (Mills) b. 1919, - d. ?, wife of Preston E. Additional Information. Madeline A. Mills married Preston E. Klock (Earl E., Thomas Cade, George Henry, Thomas A., George I., Johannes, Han Henrich and Hendrick Klock).

Klock, Mary E. (Northrop) b. July 1, 1905, d. Sept. 13, 1989, wife of T.C. Klock. Additional Information: Mary E. Northrop married Thomas Cade Klock, Jr. (Thomas Cade Sr., George Henry, Thomas A., George I., Johannes, Han Henrich and Hendrick Klock) Thomas and Mary had three children; Albert James, Patricia and Paul Northrop Klock.

Klock, Ned J. b. April 18, 1895, d. Feb. 1, 1964, married March 9, 1918. Additional Information: Ned James Klock (see line above) was the son of Thomas Cade Klock Sr. and Edith Fredenburg. Ned married Rena M. Cook and they had seven children.

Klock, Olla (Hollenbeck) b. Jan 30, 1890, d. May 23, 1976, wife of Earl. Additional Information: Olla Hollenbeck married Earl E. Klock, the son of Thomas Cade Klock Sr. and Edith Fredenburg. (See line above). Earl and Olla had five children.

Klock, Percy 1897-1967 married Nov. 24, 1919. Additional Information: Percy Klock was another son of Thomas Cade Klock Sr. and Edith Fredenburg. (See line above) Percy married Alice Gale and they had three children.

Klock, Preston E. b. Nov. 27, 1908, d. July 27, 1976 married Jan. 25, 1941. Additional Information: Preston E. Klock was the son of Earl E. Klock and Olga Hollenbeck. Earl Klock was the son of Thomas Cade Sr. and Edith Fredenburg (see line above). I have Preston's first wife as Pauline May Buckman who was born April 26, 1911 and died March 08, 1938. Preston and Pauline had at least one child, Preston Jr. who served in WW-II. His second wife was Madeline A. Mills, who he married in 1941.

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