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Enoch and Malinda Lyness

George Lyness	John Lyness	Rosella Weddle	Henry Lyness	Josephine Bowyer	Albert Lyness	Frank Lyness	Walter Lyness
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A Note from Jeremy

Greetings, family!

I hope your year is going well and that you are all looking forward to reunion in Summer 2026. It's been really busy around our house the past few months, dealing with insurance companies, work events and the like.

As we head into the holiday season, family is always top of mind for us. We enjoy spending time with loved ones and celebrating together. With reunion coming up soon, we are also looking forward to seeing many of you! We hope to have more information about dates, location, etc. soon, so keep an

eye out for an update. We treasure the time spent together with family and anticipate a great time together this coming summer!



Births

Mitchell Boone, son of Tom Boone, grandson of Twyla Boone, and great-grandson of Ralph Bowyer, and his friend, Charity Lee, had Elias Boone October 10, 2024.

Andrea Cook Davidson, daughter of Philip Alan Cook, granddaughter of Phyllis Cook, and great-granddaughter of Willard Lyness, and her husband, Brent Davidson, had Sophia Hope Davidson some time around October 10, 2024.

Constance Marie Holcomb-Thomas, daughter of Andrea Holcomb, granddaughter of Donna Holcomb, and great-granddaughter of Richard Bowyer, and her friend Angel Rafael Nevarez-Garcia, had Delphine Rosa Faye Navarez Holcomb December 20, 2024. She weighed six pounds 14 ounces.

Preston Landau, son of Brent Landau, grandson of Donna Landau, and great-grandson of Bertha Vosburgh, and his wife, Emily Landau, had Peter Phillip Landau in February, 2025.

Ashlyn Robertson, daughter of Tonya Shriver, granddaughter of Marilyn Harbaugh, and great-granddaughter of Viola Rose, and her husband, Joshua Robertson, had Avery Kay Robertson on August 26, 2025. Avery weighed eight pounds 4 ounces.

Logan LeBlanc, son of Julie LeBlanc, grandson of Dick Bowyer, and great-grandson of John Bowyer, and his wife, Lauren, had Luna Adeline LeBlanc September 14, 2025. She weighed seven pounds and seven ounces, and was 19.75 inches long.



Deaths

George Thorsen, son of Esther Thorsen, grandson of George Lyness, and great-grandson of Enoch and Malinda Lyness, died December 19, 2023. He was survived by nine grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren. He was a faithful attendee at Bowyer-Lyness reunions, often leading the Sunday morning worship service.

Margie Bowyer, whose husband is Ray Bowyer, son of Ralph Bowyer and grandson of Pem and Josie, died January 12, 2025, in Sandy Springs, Georgia. She left three children, six grandchildren, and eight great-grandchildren. She had been very active in many family gatherings.

Ronald Lyness, son of Richard Lyness, grandson of Charles Lyness, and great-grandson of John Joseph Lyness, died February 7, 2025.

Yonta Lyness, whose husband was Randy Lyness, son of Richard Lyness, grandson of Charles Lyness, and great-grandson of John Joseph Lyness, died February 10, 2025.

David Lockhart, son of Carol Lockhart, grandson of Mary Elizabeth Scherler, and great-grandson of Bernice Hall, died March 5, 2025. He left two children: Mason and Emma.

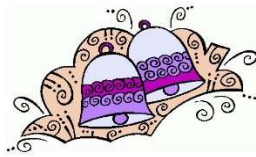
Timothy Bowyer, son of Ray Bowyer, grandson of Ralph Bowyer, and great-grandson of Pem and Josie, died March 22, 2025, at his home in Flower Mound, Texas.

Morris Mayo Cochran, whose wife was Sylvia Sue Boone, daughter of Twyla Boone, granddaughter of Ralph Bowyer, and great-granddaughter of Pem and Josie, died April 15, 2025, in Arapahoe County, Colorado.

Anna Jeffries, daughter of Harry Lyness, granddaughter of John Lyness, and great-granddaughter of Joseph Hargitt Lyness Jr., died June 22, 2025, in Aurora, Indiana. She was 101 years old.

Ruth Ann Lyness, whose husband was Philip Lyness, son of Willard Lyness, grandson of John Lyness, and great-grandson of Enoch

Lyness, died July 22, 2025, in Omaha, Nebraska. She was 97 years old.



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Weddings

Mark Scherler, son of Russ Scherler, grandson of Mary Scherler, and great-grandson of Bernice Hall, married Libby Benton March 16, 2025.

Colin Sytsma, son of Sally Sytsma, grandson of Mary Beth Harris, and great-grandson of Bessie May Stark, married Libby Brugger May 31, 2025, on the shore of Big St. Germain Lake, Wisconsin.

Matthew Bowyer, son of Andy Bowyer, grandson of Ray Bowyer, and great-grandson of Ralph Bowyer, married Meghann Walsh June 26, 2025.

Nathan Brackenridge, son of Tammy Brackenridge, grandson of Elaine Allen, and great-grandson of Lawrence Lyness, married Olivia Willbrand June 27, 2025.

Alexander Maxwell, son of Randall Maxwell, grandson of Linda Lynss Maxwell, and great-grandson of Harry Lyness, married Rachel Kraus in Yorkville, Indiana July 12, 2025.



Family News—Pem and Josie Descendants

Kaden Wyatt, daughter of Sean Wyatt, granddaughter of Cheryl Wyatt, and great-granddaughter of Clyde Paul Simmons, transferred to University of Northern Colorado in Greeley for her sophomore year.

Coen Hollis, son of Thomas Hollis, grandson of Leo Hollis, and great-grandson of Frieda Hollis, announced his engagement to Eileen Herrera. No wedding plans have been announced.

Luke Bowyer, son of Andy Bowyer, grandson of Ray Bowyer, and great-grandson of Ralph Bowyer, announced his engagement to Abbey Acolia. They plan a marriage in August 2027.

Madeline Clark, daughter of Andrea Clark, granddaughter of Donna Holcomb, and great-granddaughter of Dick Bowyer, has graduated from high school. She plans to attend the University of Science and Arts of Oklahoma in Chickasha in the fall.

Hua Hua Bowyer, daughter of Daniel Bowyer, granddaughter of Richard Bowyer, and great-granddaughter of John Bowyer,

graduated from the College for Creative Studies with a bachelor's degree in fine arts.

Hadley Gourley, daughter of Amy Gourley, granddaughter of Vicki Anne Morgan, and great-granddaughter of Aletha Holcomb, graduated from Ozark High School in Ozark, Missouri, and plans to attend Missouri State University in the fall.

Clare Bowyer, daughter of Andy Bowyer, granddaughter of Ray Bowyer, and great-granddaughter of Ralph Bowyer, announced her engagement to Freddy Hole on May 31, 2025. No wedding plans have been announced.

Ellie Marie Pittman, daughter of Kristi Pittman, granddaughter of Russel Simmons, and great-granddaughter of Clyde Simmons, graduated from Park Hill High School in Kansas City, Missouri. She plans to enroll in Kansas University in the fall, majoring in public health and biology.

Family News—Other than Pem and Josie Descendants

Alex Maxwell, son of Randall Maxwell, grandson of Linda Lyness Maxwell, and great-grandson of Harry Clark Lyness, announced his engagement to Rachel Kraus. No wedding plans have been announced.

Curtis Cook, son of Philip Cook, grandson of Phyllis Cook, and great-grandson of Willard Lyness, earned a bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering.

Mason Lochart, son of David Lockhart, grandson of Carol Lockhart, and great-

grandson of Mary Scherler, graduated from high school. He plans to enter Oklahoma State University.

Rhianon Lyness, daughter of Ronald Lyness, granddaughter of Richard Lyness, and great-granddaughter of Charles Lyness, qualified as a nurse practitioner at Akron Children's Hospital in Akron, Ohio



The Family on the Web

The Bowyer/Lyness family is on the web at <http://www.bowyerfamily.org/lyness>. The site has back issues of this newsletter, in case you want to know what happened in the past.

Facebook members: Enter "Lyness family" in the search box to get access to Lyness information.

Pictures from three recent reunions are on Google photos. If anyone else took pictures, please send them to your editor and they will be added. Enter one of the following links in your browser to obtain access to the pictures:

<https://photos.google.com/share/AF1QipPft2aycM3HNE07Dir2Wl7xE00fhkj1TB97D8Q4wJf2tsjvCbXZKFxEr-KrDYZirA?key=dGFpLXl7WlJMaXhrU18yclQ1NXdTTExsMkQ5WDB3>

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Book

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