

Felix Edward 'Buddy' Grubbs, 68

Felix E. Grubbs, 68, Anne; three brothers, Horace LaPlace, La., died Friday, June 4, 2010, at his home.

Grubbs was born July 4, 1941, in Bradfordsville to the late, Laura Belle Gribbins Grubbs Cobern and Bowen E. Grubbs.

Survivors include: his wife, Dorothy Shippley Grubbs; three sons, Ray, Larry and Wayne Grubbs; one daughter,

W., Milton L. and D.C. Grubbs; two sisters, Bowena Boyd and Clara Wright; and many grandchildren, nieces and nephews.

Services were held in LaPlace, La.

Bardell's Mortuary of Mt. Airy, La., was in charge of arrangements.

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James C. Grubbs Jr., 83

James C. Grubbs Jr. 83, Louisville, died Nov. 3, 2008, at Norton Audubon Hospital in Louisville.

Born April 17, 1925, in Bowen, Grubbs retired as district manager at Inter-County RECC.

He was preceded in death by: his parents, Lela David White Grubbs and James C. Grubbs Sr.; a brother, Morris Grubbs; and two grandchildren.

Survivors include: his wife, Mary Glenn Corn Grubbs; a son, James Glen Grubbs of Louisville; a daughter, Jean Ann Shewmaker of Lebanon; a brother, Charles Grubbs of Louisville; a sister, Ruth Gray of Danville; six grand-

children; and 11 great-grandchildren.

Visitation will be from 4 until 8 p.m. today at Preston-Pruitt Funeral Home in Danville.

Funeral services will be held tomorrow, Nov. 6 at Preston-Pruitt Funeral Home with burial in Bellevue Cemetery, Danville. Bro. Gary Story will officiate.

Pallbearers will be Bobby, Clifton, Charlie and Steven Grubbs; Jackie and Jimmy Gray, Mike Wease, Ross Kent Shewmaker and Josh Hall.

Memorial contributions are suggested to the American Heart Association. Guestbook and video tribute available at www.preston-pruitt.com.

straightened from his work and had done the same thing.

The big car stopped and sat for several minutes while the two men looked at us. By the time they got out and walked across the little footbridge over the shallow creek, we were almost done.

Leaning on his goose-necked hoe, Little Tom said "howdy" to the two men. As for me, being only a boy, I felt best to keep quiet while I unhooked the mule and led him toward the creek to water him. Never out of earshot, I heard one of the men say as politely as you please, "We've heard it said that someone on this creek has been making and selling illegal whiskey, and we have a paper here signed by the county judge giving us the right to search your place. Is that all right?" "Why, sure," said Little Tom, "but you don't need a paper to search. There ain't nobody in the house, and there's a beagle in the barn, but she don't bite; she just had a litter of pups."

The two men took their time. Picking up a pitchfork, one of them probed the haystack, and then they searched the barn, the corncrib, the smokehouse, and the outdoor toilet. They looked through the house and even down the shallow well.

Before they left, the two men thanked Little Tom and said "Well sir, it looks like we got the wrong place. By the way, that's a fine looking corn crop you've got there."

"Oh," I thought, but I kept it completely to myself, "You don't know the half of it!"

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The Snow And Grubbs Store

My parents, Edward Smith Grubbs and Rosa Lee Cochran, had a general country store, Snow and Grubbs, at Kidds Store, Casey County, Kentucky. Dad's cousin, Noah Dudley Shaw, ran the store after the early 1920s until he was elected sheriff of Casey County in 1929. He served as sheriff from 1930-1934 in Liberty, the county seat of Casey County.

This was a thriving business, nine miles from Liberty and five miles from Hustonville, in Lincoln County. It served a large area in northern Casey and Lincoln counties.

Elijah Kidd and his brother, Daniel,



Lucille G. Kirkland of Lexington, Kentucky, shares this photo of her parents, Edward Smith Grubbs and Rosa Lee Cochran Grubbs, taken in front of their store at Kidds Store, Casey County, Kentucky, sometime after the 1920s. See "I Remember" at left.

from Lancaster had struck it rich in the California Gold Rush. They returned home and bought the lush acreage near the Lincoln County line. There they built a fine home and started Kidds Store. Dad eventually rented this farm and store.

My grandfather, Jim Grubbs, and Amanda Jane Snow Edwards Grubbs must have run the store first, because he was the postmaster preceding his

son.

Mr. Ed and Miss Rosie, with their sons, George, Fred, Edward, Durward, Bowen, and James Hardin, ran this fascinating establishment. With the only radio around, it attracted customers and neighbors, because they wanted to hear Uncle Dave Macon and the Nashville artists of WSM until midnight on Saturday nights. Every space was crammed full as they sat on kegs, cow



Catherine Cornett Fischer, 1670 Drenik Drive, Wickliffe, OH 44092, shares this photo of Cruise Ridge School (Rockcastle County, Kentucky), in 1945. Front row, l-r: Billy Azbill, Shirley Cornett, unknown, unknown, Lloyd Chasteen, James Cornett, Jerry Thomas, Flora Bowman, unknown, and Ruby Chasteen. Second row, l-r: Clifford Thomas, Fay Thomas, Ray Thomas, Catherine Cornett, Vivian Bowman, Ralph Jones Clark, Alvin Rice, Wanda Chasteen, Lonnie Bowman, unknown, and unknown. Third row, l-r: Walter Abrams, Harold Bowman, Nadia Chasteen, Ralph Bowman, Irene Bowman, Raymon Azbill, Chester Azbill, Dennis Thomas, Eli Chasteen, Nick Chasteen, and Geneva Rice. The soldier is Dick Cornett.

feed, and whatever was around the potbellied stove. This provided the news and recreation for this wonderful community.

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Rockcastle Memories

In 1945 I was in the fifth grade and attended the Cruise Ridge School in Rockcastle County, Kentucky. Our teacher was Anna Thomas Hatton.

Back then school started in July and ended in January or February. That is why we were in school in August. We had learned about the countries involved in the war Allies and the Axis power. Most of us had family members in the military, and all had supported the war effort in various ways. There were scrap iron drives and pie suppers held to raise money for war bonds. My dad, Jim Cornett, often acted as auctioneer at the pie suppers.

Our class wanted to do something to celebrate the end of the war, so we made pennants. The big ones declared victory in Europe and Japan. The

smaller ones each had the name of a country.

The war years were stressful for everyone. My father's three younger brothers were all in the Army.

My grandmother, Susan Cornett, was widowed and was alone. My brother or I often spent the night with her. I liked those nights with Grandma. She often let me write the V-mail letter to her sons: Robert, Jack, or Dick. There were lots of letters and gift boxes going from our house. My grandmother died in March, shortly after receiving word of the death of her son, Robert.

Mother had five brothers in the Army. She always remembered them with gifts of candy, chewing gum, and cigarettes. My uncle, Rob, was killed in Germany in December 1944. The others survived.

I had the pleasure of meeting Anna Hatton again in 1985, 40 years later. She was living in Berea then. We renewed our friendship and kept in touch until her death. She was pleased that I had become a teacher. I was pleased to be able to let her know how much I had admired her and had always remembered my years with her.

The memories of my years in Kentucky have not faded. I treasure them all and have always been grateful for such a positive beginning of my education.

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The Inspiration Of My Aunt Sissie

The following was written by my mother-in-law, Elizabeth Lester Meisberger.

"Aunt Sissie lived in a small community about three miles south of Nancy called Schepola, Pulaski County, Kentucky. My story takes place about 1929 to 1930.

"Aunt Sissie Garner's life has been an inspiration for me since I can remember anything.

"One of my earliest remembrances is when she would come to visit her twin brother, Fountain Samuel Lester, and my grandmother, Lillie.

She would ride Old Boldie, her sure-footed old horse, sidesaddle. She would pull me up on the horse and let me ride with her to the gate. I'd slip out of those large, loving arms to the ground and run and open the gate. Aunt Sissie would



Carol Meisberger of Brooksville, Florida, shares this photo of Sissie Garner. Date and place of photo not given. See "I Remember" above.

Genealogy From The Long Ago

(OLD SCRAPBOOK - 1890s)

Editor's Note: We have come across an interesting collection of old clippings dealing with Kentucky family history. Since these clippings are over 100 years old, your editor feels they will be of interest to many of our readers. We will continue this column each month until the supply is gone.

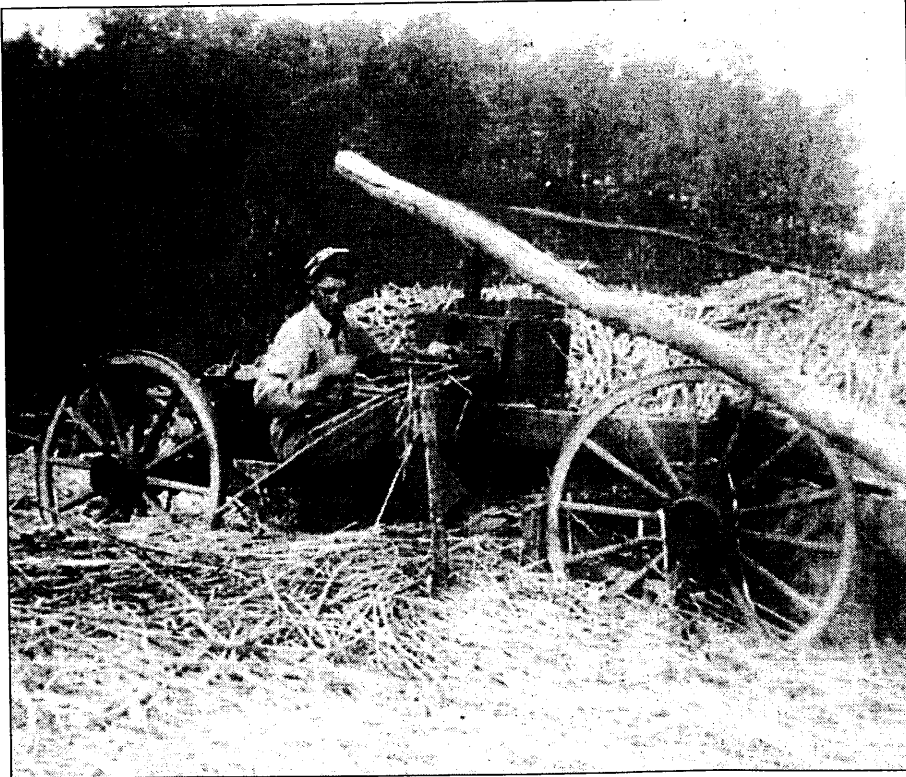
Landrum-Robertson

Kate Landrum Robertson was first married to Roger Robertson. Amanda Robertson married Sommers Dean. Harriet Robertson married Elijah Shipps of Ohio County, Kentucky, and both died young. Mrs. Dean left two children: Johnson Dean and Henry Rogers Dean. Mrs. Shipps left one daughter: Amanda, the widow of Robert Burnett of Hartford, Ohio County, Kentucky. William J. Robertson had a family of six children in Breckinridge County. Allan Dean, attorney-at-law; and Mrs. Wood Wortham

of Owensboro, Kentucky, are great-grandchildren of Kate Landrum Robertson. Mrs. Kate Robertson married ___ Payne and had Emma, Margaret, John, Thomas, and Allan.

Grubbs

Leroy Johnson, M. D., and Elizabeth G. Grubbs were married in Virginia and emigrated to Franklin, Tennessee; thence to Lexington, Kentucky, where Leroy died in 1843, aged 77 years. Elizabeth died in Louisville, Kentucky, and is buried at Cave Hill. There were eight children. One son, Nelson Cole



Harold Roaden, 415 Brixham Court, Indianapolis, IN 46214, shares this photo of Evan Roaden at a cane mill on Falls Road in Corbin, Kentucky. The photo was taken in the early 1940s, before he was drafted into the Army. He was killed in Germany in WWII, February 28, 1945. He was the son of Terrell and Betty Roaden.

Johnson, married Fannie Pollard Smith. Their son, William B. Johnson, moved to Missouri.

Willis

William Willis (born December 11, 1788, died November 14, 1868) and his wife, Elizabeth Garnett, were the parents of John Willis; who had Elizabeth or Betsey Willis, born January 10, 1795, and died May 24, 1877. She married George Cornelius, August 11, 1814. Their children were: Edward G., born 1833; Matilda, born 1818, married Henry T. Gaines, Boone County, Kentucky; P. S. Cornelius; and others. William moved to Indiana in 1834. Elizabeth's brother was Lewis Garnett.

Bryan

William Bryan married Ann Hundley. William Bryan was born March 12, 1762, died September 5, 1823. Ann Hundley Bryan was born December 23, 1765, died July 7, 1826. William and his family emigrated from Halifax County, Virginia, to Washington County, Kentucky, 1795. It is believed that William and Ann were born in Virginia.

Walker

Asaph Walker removed from Buckingham County, Virginia, to Madison County, Kentucky, about 1781, bringing his family. He is the ancestor of several well-known Walker families of Madison and Garrard counties. He was born in Virginia in 1735, in Henrico County. He married Judith Watkins, who was born at Monicantown in 1742, the daughter of Stephen Watkins and wife, Judith Trabue. Stephen Watkins owned land in Chesterfield County in 1755. One of Asaph Walker's sisters married Maj. Henry Flood of Chesterfield County; and another, Elizabeth, married Col. John Jones of Buckingham County. She became the ancestress of the people who made the names of Jones, Winston, and Pettus famous in Georgia, Alabama, and Mississippi.

Darke

William Darke was born in Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, in 1736. In 1740 his parents moved to Virginia. He was with Virginia troops at Braddock's defeat in 1755, and a cap-