



Killian Family Newsletter



Message from the President

Hello Killian Cousins,

I am Bill Killian from Waco, Texas. I have had the privilege serving as president of the AKDHA for the past year. It has been a challenge to accomplish what needed to be done from so long a distance. Eddie Killian has been a life saver by setting up ZOOM meetings that allowed my participation. Thank you so much, Eddie.

The planning committee is working diligently to arrange an exciting and innovative reunion agenda. We have all observed the shrinking attendance over the last several years. It is our hope to enlarge the participation by shortening the reunion to a Friday night and Saturday event. It is my personal desire to make this event a meaningful occasion for our family. It needs to be a time of reconnecting and renewing relationships. I know most of you live within a reasonable distance of each other and may just take a reunion for granted. I hope this will not be the case any longer.

In this time when our nation is so divided, finding unity in family is extremely important. I want to encourage each of you to seriously consider attending the reunion this year. It is the 91st reunion. It will be special. See you at the reunion.

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Andreas Killian Descendants Historical Association Reunion

Celebrating 91 Years of Reunions

September 12-14, 2025

Schedule of Events

(All times Eastern Standard Time)

Friday and Saturday During the Reunion

Tables provided encouraging you to bring: AKDHA Table, Killian Books (Things I Remember, Forefathers of Andreas Killian, Family of Andreas Killian by AKDHA, The Andreas Killian Family Cookbook), Tables for photos; crafts; books; genealogy info; AKDHA website, items of interest; DNA info; self-guided tour booklets

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will be available; other family items to show (sharing books involved people bringing any books they no longer need or want. There would be no rules about exchanges or cost, merely take what you would be interested in reading with no obligation to return it/them.)

Friday, September 12, 2025

- 6:30 pm: **Social Gathering** at Mt. Zion Lutheran Church Family Life Center
- 7 pm: **Potluck Dinner** with delicious home cooked recipes prepared by local Killian cousins. Local descendants, it is suggested you bring enough food to feed your family and two guests.
- 8:30 pm: Wrap up evening with a group photo before concert by Workers in the Harvest.

Saturday, September 13, 2025

- 10:00 am: Request tour of Killian points of interest, cemeteries (self-guided tour booklets), etc.
- 10:30 am: **Genealogy 101+ Questions and Answers** by Eddie Killian
- 11:30 am: **Festival of Activities:** hamburger & hot dogs fresh from the grill by B.S.A troop, booths/tables (take home items, genealogy research, website, historical items, books for sale, etc.), corn-hole games, horse shoes, card games, chess, checkers, dominos, music, children's games, door prizes throughout the day
- 12:30 pm: **Killian DNA Program** by James Walker Green, III
- 1:30 pm: **AKDHA Annual Business Meeting:** Election & appointment of association officers, Prizes for youngest, oldest, and farthest traveled, etc., AKDHA Scholarship Award presentation (descendant of Samuel C. Killian): Riley "Aiden" Killian, Conover NC.
- 3:00 pm: **Racing Killian's** by Eddie Killian, possibly local Elmer and/or Glenn descendants and/or visit to museums with cars, litterateur, possibly comments from descendants
- 4:00 pm: **Group photo;** then go to **Hickory Motor Speedway** to experience a race like when the Killian's raced in the 1960's. Buy your supper at the speedway and we will eat together. The race will be too loud for us to talk, so we will plan to return to the Best Western lobby to talk, research, DNA and mingle.

Sunday, September 14, 2025 (On your own)

- 10:00 am: Service and Homecoming at **Old St. Paul's Church** or
- 10:30 am: Service at **Mt. Zion Lutheran Church**

Reminders:

- Plan to come to upcoming Andreas Killian Descendants Historical Association Reunion, September 12-14, 2025
- Invite family and relatives to upcoming reunion
- Send your family history information, pictures, articles, etc. for the AKDHA newsletter or AKDHA website (Eddie Killian: fairfieldgenealogy@truvista.net and Kim Sipe: kimbosipe@charter.net)
- Visit your/our AKDHA website: www.andreaskillian.com
- Join/Sign-up for AKDHA Email list at AKDHA website
- Still looking for a person(s) to do the newsletter and or assist in getting the newsletter together and published

Killian Reunion (Hotel Gathering Place for One-on-One Learning Sessions)

(Submitted by James Walker Green, III)

Best Western, Hickory I-40 Exit 125 1520 13th Ave Dr. SE, Hickory, NC 28602-5183 (828) 323-1150

BestWesternHickory@Yahoo.com

Includes: Weight Room; Pool; (open until end of Oct. from ~8 AM to 9, 10 PM or whenever last person leaves, no Lifeguard);

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Continental breakfast: (refrigerated biscuits, muffins, donuts, cereal, grits, sometimes boiled eggs, fruit (whole or cut up) & much more); no laundry; free ice. In evenings there's free coffee, hot chocolate, juice milk etc. & usually a snack of popcorn, cookies or cake until they run out. Cable TV, FREE Wi-Fi, limited printing in the lobby from their computer from the web (One ink jet printer).

I asked Chanel, the General Manager the cost of rooms, if you say you are attending the Killian Reunion

\$105 Killian Reunion rate Exterior rooms Double or King bed

\$115 Killian Reunion rate Interior rooms 2 Queen Beds or a King bed

\$134 Regular Interior Rate 2 Queen beds

\$139 Regular Interior Rate 1 King bed

\$124 Double bed \$129 King Size Exterior normal rates

Plus 13% Room Tax

Killian rates good until 2 weeks prior to reunion (or 1 Sept.) per Theresa, the Front Office manager

Pets are allowed only in Exterior rooms. There is a \$30 surcharge for Pets.

AARP & Senior (55+) discounts can't be combined with Killian rates & Killian rates are cheaper than AARP & Senior Discounts. Ordering rooms from other websites often puts you in an exterior, smoking room.

You might sign up for the BW Rewards or if you already have BW Rewards points, use your pts. By phoning BW Rewards at 800-237-8483, give them your name, zip, type room you want then phone B. West. Hickory at 828-323-1150 to have your room put in the Killian rooms Block with Killian Rate, then you show your credit card when you check in then check that the price is right on receipt when you check out.

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90th Reunion Recap

New Attendees:

Jenny Lynn Paris Mohundro, 1940 - (1st time Attendee) Texas, wife of Rev Samuel Elmus Mohundro (1935-1978), Parents were Ollie Jane Killian Parris & John Pickney Parris. Grandparents Gaines Rural Killian & Sarah Frances Sallie Killian, Descended from Samuel C Killian & Barbara Hager

Robbie Allen Killian, Conover NC (1st time Attendee), son of Bobbie Joe Killian and Sandra Coulbourn Killian, grandson of Arville Leonard Killian and Metta Celeste Starnes Killian, descended from Samuel C Killian; along with 1st time Attendee **Barbara Jo Killian Nurdyke** (half sister)

Dorothy Byers Hawn, Conover NC

Youngest Attendee: **Silas Avery Todd** (13 mos.) Great Grandchild of Doris Killian Pope, descended of Samuel C Killian

Oldest Attendees: **Robert Killian** (84 yrs. & 6 mos.) NC;

Jenny Paris Mohundro (84 yrs. & 6 mos.) TX;

Jimmie Price (83 yrs. and 10 mos.) VA.

News on Births: **Kyle & Abigail Guins** announce the birth of their third child, Ines Reigh Guins, Born Feb. 21, 2025 in Paris, France. She is the granddaughter of Celeste & Phillip Guins (in memory of Phillip), great granddaughter of Bobby Joe Killian and Sandra Coulbourn Killian of Conover. Great-Great Granddaughter of Arville Leonard Killian and Metta Celeste Starnes Killian, Descended from Samuel C Killian.

News on Deaths: **Doris Loretta Killian Lail** (76), wife of Johnny Lail (deceased), Daughter of Donald Leonard Killian and Elsie Decker Killian, Granddaughter of Arville Leonard Killian and Metta Celeste Starnes, Descended from Samuel Killian.

DNA News: **Cheryl Mann Killian** and **James Walker Green III**, please look into submitting your DNA to the AKDHA. Got questions, please contact Cheryl Killian or James Green to tie in your DNA with your family.

Speakers: Luther Killian III presented his Killian Collection from SE TN and NW GA; Jimmy Price presented Prices, Prices and More Prices; Eddie Killian presented Lifetime Achievement Awards to longtime Board Members and Reunion Helpers.



AKDHA Board and Scholarship Committee

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The AKDHA Scholarship Committee consists of the executive board of AKDHA. We would like to report to the association the following report for 2025.

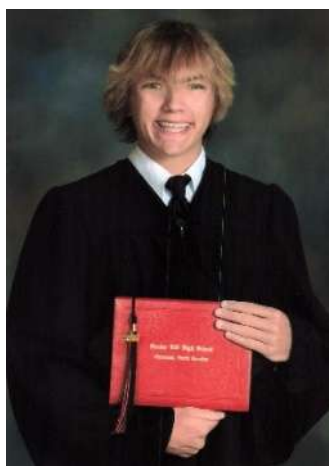
First, we normally award a young man and a young woman each year; as long as monies are available and applicants apply. Basically two first place awards would be awarded by splitting the monies available for the current year evenly; i.e. \$1500 available awarded \$750 each.

Secondly, Charles and Cheryl Mann Killian of Atlanta, Georgia continued their generous support and this year gave \$2,000 toward the Charles & Cheryl Mann Killian scholarship fund (alias AKDHA scholarship fund). Thank you!

Thirdly, this year we received only one application, a descendant from Samuel C. Killian: Riley Aiden Killian from Conover, North Carolina.

Now to the awards, the committee unanimously agreed that Riley would receive the top award of \$1,000. Committee also agreed by unanimous vote that any applicant can apply every two years.

The associations along with this committee are excited about this year's applicant and eagerly award this young aspiring second year college student and hope the best for his future and his endeavors. It is not required for Aiden to be present at the AKDHA Annual Meeting at the reunion. However, we would like to see him if possible and at least hear back from him how he is doing in his new adventure.



Aiden Killian
May 2024

Racing Killian's – Hickory Motor Speedway



HISTORY

Hickory Motor Speedway is a short track located in Hickory, North Carolina . It is one of stock car racing 's most storied venues, and is often referred to as "The World's Most Famous Short Track" and the "Birthplace of the NASCAR Stars".

The track first opened in 1951 as a 1 / 2 -mile (0.80 km) dirt track. Gwyn Staley won the first race at the speedway and later became the first track champion. Drivers such as Junior Johnson , Ned Jarrett , and Ralph Earnhardt also became track champions in the 1950s, Earnhardt alone winning five of them.

In 1953, NASCAR's Grand National Series (later the Sprint Cup) visited the track for the first time. Tim Flock won the first race at the speedway, which became a regular part of the Grand National Schedule. After winning his track championship in 1952, Junior Johnson became the most successful Grand National driver at Hickory, winning there seven times.

The track has been re-configured three times in its history. The track became a 0.4-mile (644 meters) dirt track in 1955, which was paved for the first time during the 1967 season. In 1970, Hickory was shortened a second time to its present length of 0.363 miles (584 meters).

Hickory was dropped from the Grand National schedule after the 1971 season when R. J. Reynolds began sponsoring the series and dropped all races under 250 miles (402 kilometers) from the schedule. It remained in use as a popular NASCAR Late Model Sportsman Series venue. When the series was reformed as the Budweiser Late Model Series (later the Busch Grand National Series and currently the Nationwide Series) in 1982, Hickory played a prominent part of its first season, hosting six of the series' 28 races. Drivers Jack Ingram and Tommy Houston , two former track champions, each won eight times at the track in the Busch Series.

As more tracks began hosting Busch Series races, Hickory's involvement was progressively reduced to two races a year by 1987, and then just the Easter weekend by 1995. By 1998, the Busch Grand National Series began adding more races at Winston Cup Series tracks, and Hickory was dropped from the schedule after 17 years.

Hickory is still used as a venue for NASCAR's club racing division, the Whelen All-American Series . The CARS Tour featuring Late Model and Super Late Model touring series cars on the same night also features a full meet at the track.

Hickory Motor Speedway Opened In July 1951
First winner (Gwyn Staley)

Track Size & Banking

.363 mile asphalt oval
14 degrees Turns 1 & 2
12 degrees Turns 3 & 4
8 degrees Front & Back stretch

Capacity

9,600 Seating & 3,600 additional lawn seats

Location

3130 Highway 70 Southeast, Newton, NC 28658
Interstate-40 - Exit 128

[Hickory Motor Speedway](#), the .363-mile NASCAR Home Track located in Newton, North Carolina. One of the most storied tracks in stock car racing, Hickory in 2022 continues to host weekly racing [from March through October](#) as part of the NASCAR Advance Auto Parts Weekly Series. The track's "Big 10" events conclude with the Weekly Series championship night — with double points for all divisions — in September. **RELATED:** [Watch Weekly Series action all season on FloRacing](#) From Gwyn Staley in 1951 to Josh Kossek in 2021, the list of track champions at Hickory is loaded with notable names. And that list does not include the NASCAR national series winners at the track in the 1950s, '60s, '70s, '80s and '90s. Below is everything to know about Hickory Motor Speedway.



Tentative 2025 Race Schedule

Revised Date 6/17/2025 Sponsor Nights to be Added
Subject to Change as Needed
 Scheduled Divisions Subject to Change

22-Feb	Open Practice Day by the hour			
1-Mar	NAAPWS-CT Season Opening Blowout!!!	4	"BIG 10"	LMS-Twin 40s / LT / ST / TK / R
8-Mar	NAAPWS-CT Dougs Fleet and Auto Glass	4		LMS-75 / LT / ST / CPLMS / R
3/14-3/15	Pass-Pro All Star Series			
22-Mar	NAAPWS-CT Leapfrog Landscaping	4		LMS-Twin 40s / LT / ST / BG / R
29-Mar	NAAPWS-CT Smart Electric Night	4	"BIG 10"	LMS-Twin 40s / LT / ST / CPLMS
5-Apr	NAAPWS-CT Priority Electrical and Lighting			LMS-Twin 40s / LT / ST / TK / R
12-Apr	SMART Modifieds Dale Earnhardt Chevrolet Night			SMART Modified / CPLMS / CM / SS / V
19-Apr	NAAPWS-CT	4	"BIG 10"	LMS-Twin 40s / LT / TK / ST / R
26-Apr	Knights of Destruction Round 1			
3-May	NAAPWS-CT Compleat Kidz / United Sewing (Rained Out)	4		LMS-Twin 40s / LT / ST / R / Legacy / V
10-May	NAAPWS Catawba County Shriners - Fireworks	4	"BIG 10"	LMS-Twin 40s / LT / ST / TK / CPLMS
17-May	NAAPWS-CT Bumgarner Oil Military Night	4		LMS-Twin 40s / LT / TK / ST / R
22-May	ASA Stars National Series/NEX Legends National Qualifier			
24-May	Possible Rainout Make up Date			
31-May	NAAPWS-CT TWFG - Jeff Kincaid Insurance / Avendi RX	4	"BIG 10"	LMS-Twin 40s / LT / ST / TK / SS
7-Jun	NAAPWS-CT Heritage Finance Night / WHKY	4		LMS- 100 / LT / ST / CPLMS / R
8-Jun	Hickory Motor Speedway Drift Revival			
14-Jun	Available for Lease / Possible Rainout Make Up Date			
21-Jun	NAAPWS-CT All Fire Services / Modern Nissan	4	"BIG 10"	LMS-Twin 40s / LT / ST / TK / R
28-Jun	NAAPWS-CT HMS 75th Birthday Night / Bark Mobile	4	"BIG 10"	LMS-Twin 40s / LT / CPLMS / TK / ST / CM
5-Jul	Closed			
12-Jul	ZMAX Cars Pro Tour			Cars Tour Pro / others tbd
19-Jul	NAAPWS- 4th Annual Jack Ingram Memorial	4		LMS- 111 / LT / PLM / ST / SS
26-Jul	NAAPWS-CT	4	"BIG 10"	LMS-100 Laps / LT / BG / CPLMS / CM / BG
2-Aug	CARS Tour Throwback Event			
9-Aug	NAAPWS-CT 84 Lumber Night / Coley Holmes			LMS-Twin 40s / LT / ST / TK / R / Legacy
16-Aug	SunDown Audio Competition			
23-Aug	NAAPWS-CT NAPA / Clearwater	4		LMS-Twin 40s / LT / ST / TK / SS
30-Aug	NAAPWS - Bobby Isaac Memorial- Paramount Auto Group Night	4	"BIG 10"	LMS-150 Laps / LT / ST / PLM
6-Sep	Raindate for NAAPWS Playoffs if necessary			
13-Sep	NAAPWS-CT Championship Night presented by Catawba County United Way (double points night all divisions)	4	"BIG 10"	LMS-75 Laps / LT / ST / TK / R / V
20-Sep	Raindate for Championship Night			
27-Sep	Knights of Destruction Round 2			
4-Oct	EL Car and Truck Show			
11-Oct	\$3,000 to Win Paramount Auto Group Limited United Sewing / Unified Electric			LT-125 Laps / PLM / SS / BG / V
18-Oct	Available for Lease			
25-Oct	Trunk or Treat			
1-Nov	Available for Lease			
8-Nov	Fall Brawl presented by Calico Coatings 200 lap Late Model / 100 lap Limiteds / 100 lap PLM / Street Stock / Allison Legacy	6L M		LMS-200 Laps / LT-100 / CPLMS / Stars SS Tour / Allison Legacy
15-Nov	Available for Lease			
22-Nov	Available for Lease			
29-Nov	Available for Lease			
13-Dec	Christmas Kaboom!!!! Fireworks and Christmas Show			

Sponsor Nights and schedule is still subject to change based on final agreements

2020's	
2020 Ryan Millington	2025
2021 Josh Kossek	2026
2022 Landon Huffman	2027
2023 Kade Brown	2028
2024 Michael Bumgarner	2029
2010's	
2010 Andy Mercer	2015 Matt Piercy
2011 Jesse LeFever	2016 Dexter Canipe, Jr.
2012 Austin McDaniel	2017 Ryan Millington
2013 Austin McDaniel	2018 Jacob Heafner
2014 Josh Berry	2019 Thomas Beane
2000's	
2000 Robin Harris	2005 Keith Bumgarner
2001 Mark Setzer	2006 Andy Loden
2002 Pete Silva	2007 Andy Loden
2003 Matt Carter	2008 Andy Loden
2004 Matt McCall	2009 Andy Mercer
1990's	
1990 Max Prestwood Jr.	1995 Max Prestwood Jr.
1991 Larry Caudill	1996 Scott Kilby
1992 Scott Kilby	1997 Marty Houston
1993 Dennis Setzer	1998 Dexter Canipe
1994 Andy Houston	1999 Shane Huffman
1980's	
1980 John Settlemyre	1985 Max Prestwood Jr.
1981 John Settlemyre	1986 Toney Warren
1982 Gary Neice	1987 Richard Townsend
1983 Dennis Setzer	1988 Robert Huffman
1984 Max Prestwood Jr.	1989 Robert Huffman
1970's	
1970 Ned Setzer	1975 Tommy Houston
1971 Jack Ingram	1976 Tommy Houston
1972 Bob Pressley	1977 John Settlemyre
1973 Harry Gant	1978 John Settlemyre
1974 Bob Pressley	1979 John Settlemyre
1960's	
1960 Glen Killian	1965 Allen Rankin
1961 Glen Killian	1966 Ralph Thomas
1962 Pete Stewart	1967 Bobby Waddell
1963 Pete Stewart	1968 Jack Ingram
1964 Ken Houston	1969 Harry Gant
1950's	
1951 Gwyn Stanley	1956 Ralph Earnhardt
1952 Junior Johnson	1957 Ralph Earnhardt
1953 Ralph Earnhardt	1958 Johnny Miller
1954 Ralph Earnhardt	1959 Ralph Earnhardt
1955 Ned Jarrett	



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The Race::1997 Elmer Killian Memorial 100 was a [Goody's Dash Series](#) event held at Track::Hickory Motor Speedway on June 7, 1997. [Robert Huffman](#) broke [Mike Swaim, Jr.](#)'s four-race winning streak by holding off Swaim, the eventual season champ, by leading every single lap. [Monk Gulledge](#) was third with [Brian Sockwell](#) and [Scott Weaver](#) as the remainder of the top-five. NASCAR Modified race [Daytona International Speedway](#), Daytona Beach, FL. Feb. 17, 1962, 100 laps on 2.5 mile paved oval; 250 miles, 54 cars started the race. Time of race: 01:42:14, Average Speed: 146.723 MPH, Pole Speed: 57.725 seconds Attendance: 28,000

Fin	St	Driver	#	Owner	Car	Laps	Money	Status	Laps Led
1	6	LeeRoy Yarbrough	9		1956 Ford/Pontiac	100	4,800	running	
2	2	Cale Yarborough	50		1956 Ford/Lincoln	100	3,030	running	
3	4	Larry Frank	20		1953 Studebaker	99	1,850		
4	1	Frank Secrist	86		1953 Studebaker/Ford	98	1,325		
5	13	Roy Trantham	99		1956 Ford	97	1,075		
6	21	Al Smith	35		1959 Chevrolet	96	950		
7	23	Gus Linder	71		1953 Studebaker	95	825		
8	29	Carl Burris	30		1954 Ford	94	775		
9	27	Jean-Paul Cabana	5		1959 Pontiac Sportsman	94	700		
10	16	Jack Evans	53		1953 Studebaker	94	700		
11	15	Sonny Black	80		1957 Chevrolet	93	550		
12	49	Johnny Gouveia	23		1953 Studebaker	91	525		
13	38	Eddie Crouse	38		1956 Ford	90	475		
14	19	Bill Morton	11		1953 Studebaker	89	425		
15	32	Elmer Killian	21		1956 Chevrolet	89	400		
16	51	Jimmy Griggs	43		1957 Chevrolet	88	400		
17	24	Dick Nephew	51		1955 Chevrolet Sportsman	84	375		
18	52	Glenn Killian	24		1956 Ford Sportsman	84	350		



(Elmer) Killian's Hardware & Automotive

(Submitted by Eric Killian, AKDHA past-President, Treasurer)



Killian's Hardware & Automotive Advertisement on Side of Race Car
Car is Part of Elmer Killian Collection at Killian's Hardware, Hickory, NC

(Killian) Women Run Hickory Hardware Store Hits Nearly 70 Years in Operation

[Queen City News, Hometown, Women Run Hickory Hardware Store Hits Nearly 70-years in operation](#)



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German Naming Practices

(Submitted by Sherry Taylor, Michael and Margaret Killian Price Descendant)

Preisch Price Preis

I have taken a recent research class, in this class was a section on German Naming Practices. I will share that information here.

The **second name**, known as the *Rufname*, along with the surname is what would be used in marriage, tax, land and death records.

The first name may be a religious name and not used in civil records. So in a family with boys Johann Friedrich, Johann Peter, Johann Daniel, etc., the children would be called by and recorded in documents as Friedrich, Peter and Daniel. Usually, the name Johannes in these records marked a "true John" who would continue to be so identified.

We see examples of the German Naming Practice in our Price Research as I list the names of David and Agnes Hoffman Price's children.

Anna Margaretha Price: 1713 - 1820

Daniel Price: 1715 -1722

Johan Michael Price: 1718 - 1802

Augustine: 1722 - 1786

Daniel Price: 1724 -

Johan Heinrich Price: 1725 - 1797

Families would reuse given names for children who died young. We see this practice used with the name Daniel Price. There are even documented instances of families using the same name for two children who both survived.

Johannes is normally the secular name for John. German boys almost always were baptized with the first name Johannes or Johann, and abbreviated Joh.

German girls were baptized Maria, Anna or Anna Maria. This means a family could and often did have boys or girls with the same first name. You can see the high potential for confusion until you understand that the first name is often a name of tradition.

The religious name may be derived from the church, town, or in my best guess: the family patron saint.

We recognize the names of John Henry, Anna Margaretha, and John Michael, and I have also noticed the name Issac. I am often seeing the name Issac associated with David Price. I have not concluded the family placement of the name Issac. Is he a brother of John Michael Price, or could he be a son of my David? It is likely Issac could be a child of my David, there is a military document that states David is heir of Issac. Also Issac is enumerated in the early Rockingham County, Virginia Tax List with and close to David. In my research, the Price brother known as Augustine does not have a known religious name.

Jr. and Sr. could refer to Grandchild and Grandparent or even Uncle or Friend.

Baptismal Sponsors

In German-speaking areas, children were almost always named for one or more of their baptismal sponsors. The most common pattern would be for sons to be named in this order:

- first born son to be named for his father's father
- second born son to be named for his mother's father
- third born son to be named for his father
- fourth born child and on, uncles of the children

The same pattern applies to daughters but using the mothers' names (father's mother, mother's mother, etc.).

The first and second male child were typically named after the fraternal and maternal grandfathers while the third child was typically named after a parent.

En & in suffix = female

Er & ner suffix = named after something.

Various marks used in German records.

+ cross mark indicates "death" connected with that date.

"ux" indicates a wife or spouse.

"ex" means "of" as in a locality such as "ex herxheim - of Herxheim.

"J" denotes joined or married (each priest had his own system of recording events)

Nicknames

Another naming tradition involves nicknames, often called *Kurzformen*. In English, most nicknames are created by dropping the last syllable of the given name. (for example, Christopher and Christine become "Chris") Germans, however, often shorten a given name by dropping the first part of it. It's important to note that these familiar forms are used in church or other records, even though by today's standards we might expect full or formal names to be used.

Some of the many examples (using more authentic but understandable German spellings) are:

- Nicklaus = Klaus
- Sebastian = Bastian
- Christophel = Stophel
- Christina = Stin or Stina
- Katharina = Trin

In the event of additions or corrections to this research, contact / email the author shown below.

Common German Names and Nicknames

[Sherry Taylor](#)

Price Family Questions

I wonder if anyone has comments about the following

(Submitted by William "Bill" McCreight, an Andreas Killian Descendant)

The Price family is probably the best authority and they believe, although there is no proof, that Anna Margaretha Kilian was the Margaret who married Michael Price. If that is the case, and it is most likely true, it seems to me that at least several of Andreas' children, and possibly as many as five, were born in Pennsylvania.

Michael Price arrived in Philadelphia two years after Andreas. Since the Price family, including Margaret, never went to North Carolina, the couple most likely met in Pennsylvania. They could have met on the way south, but I do not think so.

Judging from the birth date of Margaret's first known child she was probably married at the latest in 1745, which would make her 19 years old. She would not have married much younger, because it was customary in Franken for women to be 18 or older when they married.

Michael Price bought land in Virginia in 1748. It is not likely they wandered to an unsettled area of Virginia, still under occasional Indian attack, and then waited several years to acquire land. I think they left Pennsylvania in about 1747 and acquire their land in 1748. Andreas and his sons appeared in the North Carolina colonial militia list that same year. If they were related by marriage, they may have travelled together. There were still hostile Indians and it was safer to travel in large groups.

I know some of you have made diligent searches and found no evidence of Andreas and his family in Pennsylvania. But it is a matter of knowing where to look. If children were born there, it should be recorded in the pastoral acts of some church, but it is not practical to attempt a search the church books of every church that existed in Pennsylvania between 1732 and 1748. In fact it has not proven easy to even learn what church books exist from this period.

I thought it may be possible to narrow the scope of the search as follows.

I now have an unbroken chain of handwritten church book documents from 1516 to the signing of Andreas' oath in Philadelphia. One can learn a lot from the content of these documents and everything indicates it is highly doubtful the Kilian family could have accumulated the resources to immigrate. They would have to pay their passage and provide their own food for the voyage. They would have to possess enough money to buy tools and support them selves for at least a year before they could clear land and harvest a crop. I feel certain Andreas had to indentured himself to finance his immigration, as 65% of all Germans who immigrated up to 1776 did. After his Indenture expired he would have to work for wages long enough to accumulate the funds, in excess of

living costs, to buy tools, weapons, supplies and transportation south. The diary of Gottfried Johannes Arends shows that 27 years later in 1776 a daily wage was only 2 shillings. This can explain the 16 year gap in the records.

I thought if I could find the indenture contract this would show where Andreas lived for his first years in America and then we could concentrate on nearby churches to find his children's baptismal records. I thought these contracts must be recorded somewhere, because many disputes arose between the parties and the contract holder sometimes refused to release the person after the term of the contract.

However, neither the archives of Philadelphia, nor the archive of Philadelphia, nor the Pennsylvania German History Society have any indenture records. Also indenture contracts only appeared in court records when the contract was disputed.

Passengers to the British colonies were required to travel on British ships and most of the research I have found on indentures in America concerns British subjects. There were three types: First people who could not finance their immigration made a contract to pay by a certain number of years of service. Second, the British government simply rounded up people they regarded as social undesirables, shipped them off to the colonies and sold them as indentured servants. Last people convicted of crimes sometimes had the choice of being hanging or transported to the colonies as indentured convicts.

When the indentured person ran away advertisements were placed in the English language newspapers offering rewards for their return and there were bounty hunters who made a profession of catching and returning them. Searching these newspapers is one way to track down the location of a person.

But, I do not think Andreas ran away. First it would be difficult to hide unless one disappeared over the frontier into unsettled territory. Andreas apparently made no attempt to hide. He served in the militia and he applied for land grants in his own name. Besides that Andreas had children. That hindered his movements and made running away without detection almost impossible. German indentures were usually very different. They were called redemptioners. Most Germans embarked at Rotterdam, Bremen or Hamburg on British ships. Most of the German immigrants, ca. 65%, had the money to reach one of these harbors, but that was all. The ship's captain took them on board if they promised a relative or a friend would redeem them by paying their passage within two weeks of landing. If no one came forward to redeem them, the captain sold the contracts.

This was a rather brutal system and many families, including young children, were separated and lost track of one another. Many advertisements appeared in the German language newspapers by people trying to find lost relatives. This may be a better bet for finding where Andreas lived; except for the fact that the North Carolina records show in 1748 the family was together.

Unless Andreas contested his contract in court, ran away or was separated from his family, the chances of finding his indenture or redemption contract are not promising.

Never-the-less I want to determine if the English and German language newspapers or court records give any clues.

I wonder if any of you have any other ideas about how to track down Andreas's children born in Pennsylvania.

(Response: (the late) Dan Sipe, AKDHA past-President, etc.)

Thanks for the challenge again. I have a request in to the Patrick Beaver Library of Hickory on a book:

Coldham, Peter Wilson. *The Complete Book of Emigrants, 1700-1750: a comprehensive listing compiled from English public records of those who took ship to the Americas for political, religious, and economic reasons; of those who were deported for vagrancy, roguery, or non-conformity; and of those who were sold to labour in the new colonies.*

Jean Deal the researcher is researching the index on Andreas and it may reveal some information for us in PA.

Linda Hoyle gave me her name after I goggled and found a most likely help in this book.

(Response: Linda Hoyle, AKDHA (various committees))

If any of you have not downloaded this book, [History of Goshenh 2829](#). It is from the right area.

(Response: Sherry Taylor, Michael and Margaret Killian Price Descendant)

I have been interested in the placement of Andreas and John Michael after their departure from their respective ships, Adventure and Winter's Galley. They were about 6 years apart in their arrival to the British Colony of Pennsylvania, 1732 and 1738, if memory serves. I have found Andreas in the colony of Pennsylvania and I do not think the research I have places him to be indentured.

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August 22, 1935

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This copy of the original "The History of the Killian Family in North Carolina" by J. Yates Killian, was scanned in using an OCR program. The copied scanned was very bad so a lot of manual corrections had to be made. I have tried to keep all spelling and punctuation the same as the copy scanned even through some spellings in the original were obviously incorrect. WL Setzer

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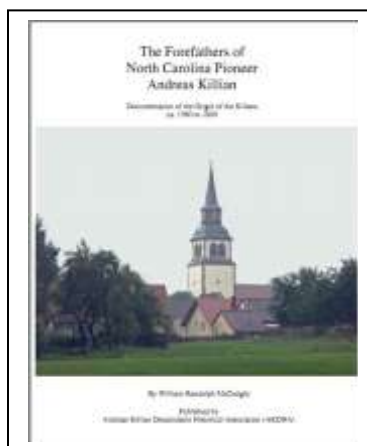
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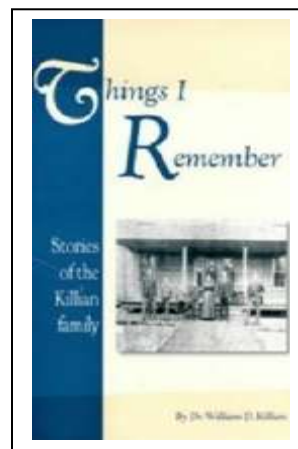
'Things I Remember...

by Dr. William D. "Bill" Killian of Hendersonville, NC'

Before his death in 2019, Dr. Bill Killian donated nineteen copies of his book to the organization he supported. AKDHA still has a few copies available for sale. All proceeds from the sale of books goes to AKDHA, a 501c3 Nonprofit Organization. AKDHA has no paid staff or employees and depends entirely on volunteers and donations which Dr. William D. "Bill" Killian was a promoter.

Book available by mail from the editor, Cost: \$20.00 Check

Payable: Andreas Killian Descendants Historical Association or AKDHA Mail to: Cheryl Mann Killian, 130 Rowan Rd, Ellenwood, GA 30294. For more details about these books phone me at (770) 337-5310 or email: Cheryl K.



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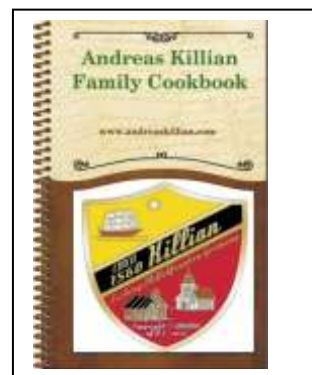
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Submitted Obituaries



Robbie Dean Killian, August 21, 1963 - May 18, 2019

Robbie Dean Killian, 55, of Hickory passed away on Saturday, May 18, 2019 at Carolina Caring of Sherrills Ford.

He was born August 21, 1963 in Burke County to Jimmie and Shelby Brown Killian. Robbie was of the Lutheran faith. He loved hunting and his favorite thing to do was to go offshore fishing in the Gulf of Mexico. Driving a race car at both Hickory Motor Speedway and Tri-County in the late 1980's and 1990's, he won several championships working alongside his brother, Michael Killian and friends. Robbie was employed at his family business, Killian's Service Center as a mechanic.

He was preceded in death by his brother, Michael Killian.

Those left to cherish his memory are;

Daughter: Bridget Mitchell and husband Michael of Hickory

Father: Jimmie Ray Killian of Hickory

Mother: Shelby Maxine Brown of Hickory

Sister: Dottie Hudson of Hickory

Grandchildren: Bryce and Moxon

A memorial service to celebrate Robbie's life will be held on Tuesday, May 21, 2019 at 5:00 p.m. at Woodlawn Baptist Church in Conover. Dr. Ed Yount will officiate. The family will receive friends following the service.

Condolences may be sent to the Killian family at www.bennettfuneralservice.com



Jerry David Killian, February 2, 1945 - June 18, 2025, Conover, North Carolina

Jerry David Killian, 80 of Conover NC passed away June 18, 2025. Jerry David Killian, 80 of Conover, NC went home to be with the Lord on Wednesday, June 18, 2025, at his residence surrounded by his loved ones.

Born on February 2nd, 1945, in Catawba County, NC, Jerry was the son of the late Joe Carson and Byrlea Bumgarner Killian. Jerry worked as a machinist, a welder and a maintenance person his entire life. He was employed by Drillers Service for 19 years and Siecor/Corning for 19 years and finished his career at Classic Leather, Inc.

In addition to his parents, he is preceded in death his 4 brothers, Howard Killian, Sam Killian, Dwight Killian and wife, Betty and Steve Killian; his sister, Judy Wilson and husband, Bill; his stepson, Curtis Gragg and a step-grandson, Dallas Gragg.

Those left to cherish his memory include the love of his life, Jane Gragg Morrison; his son, David Killian and wife, Sherry; his son, Mark Killian and wife, Teresa; his stepson, Ritchie Gragg and wife, Teresa; 9 grandchildren, Faith Killian, Grace Killian, Heather Letterman, Alexander Letterman and wife, Brittany, Anita Boyles and husband, Kevin, Tyler Gragg, Timothy Gragg, Cody Gragg, and Chris Gragg and wife, Amanda; 9 great grandchildren, Travis Gragg, Abby Gragg, Alexis Dennis, Kinslee Letterman, Gavin Boyles, Curtis Gragg, Ansleigh Gragg, Landon Gragg and Mason Gragg; his brother, Robert Killian and wife, Nancy; 3 sisters-in-law, Annie Killian, Dot Killian and Phyllis Killian.

A Celebration of Life Service will be held at Catawba Funeral Home on Friday June 27th, 2025, at 11:00 am with Pastor Troy Grant officiating. Jerry will be laid to rest following the service at Catawba Memorial Park.

The family will receive friends prior to the service from 10:00 am to 11:00 am.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Carolina Caring of Newton in Jerry's name.



[Stephen Andrew Killian](#)

[6 Jul 1951 – 19 Dec 2024](#), Hickory, Catawba County, North Carolina, Memorial ID 277884782

Andreas Killian Descendants Historical Association, Past President, Past Vice-President, Cemetery Committee Chairman

Stephen Andrew Killian, 73 of Hickory went home to be with the Lord on Thursday, December 19th, 2024, at Catawba Valley Medical Center surrounded by his loved ones.

Born on July 6th, 1951, in Catawba County, NC, Stephen was the son of the late Joe Carson and Byrlea Bumgarner Killian. Stephen graduated from ASU with a master's degree in education. He taught school for 28 years and was a painting contractor for 25 years. His grandchildren were the joy of his life. He was loved by his family and will be dearly missed.

In addition to his parents, he is preceded in death by, his brothers, Howard Killian, Sam Killian, and Dwight Killian and wife, Betty, and his sister Judy Wilson and husband, Bill.

Those left to cherish his memory include, his wife of 38 years, Phyllis Swanson Killian; his daughter and son-in-law, Michelle Killian Vitelli and Matthew Vitelli; his son and daughter-in-law, Jimmy Killian and Elisa Killian; his grandchildren, Sean Killian, Elinore Rae Killian, Mason Vitelli, and Mari Karson Vitelli; his brothers, Robert Killian and wife, Nancy and Jerry Killian and wife, Jane; sisters-in-law, Annie Killian and Dot Killian, as well as, many nieces and nephews.

The Killian family is in the care of Bennett Funeral Service of Conover, 828-465-2111



Doris Loretta Killian Lail, October 13, 1948 — October 18, 2024, St. Peter's Lutheran Church, Conover, North Carolina

Doris Loretta Killian Lail, age 76, born on October 13, 1948, in Catawba County, NC, passed away peacefully on October 18, 2024, in her beloved hometown. A dedicated leather marker throughout her career, Doris exemplified dedication and craftsmanship that marked her life's work.

Doris was not only known for her commitment to her career but also for the warmth she extended to everyone around her. Her caring nature endeared her to family, friends, and all who had the pleasure of knowing her. Doris had a profound love for cooking, shopping, and spending quality time with her cherished grandpups. One of her fondest memories included joyful camping trips at the beach, where laughter and relaxation were plentiful.

Doris leaves behind a loving family; she is survived by her daughter, DeAnn Lail Barnes (Chris), her sisters Karen Smith and Patricia Oliver, and her brothers Donald Killian Jr. and Kelly Killian.

She is preceded in death by her husband of 54 years Johnny Lail, her parents, D.L. Killian Sr. and Elsie Decker Killian, and her brother, Gary Killian.

Her life will be celebrated during a visitation on Monday October 21, 2024, from 2:00 PM to 3:00 PM, followed by a funeral service at 3:00 PM at St. Peter's Lutheran Church, located at 6175 St. Peter's Church Road, Conover, NC 28613. Pastor Peter Frank will officiate, and Rev. Sammy Jacobs will share the eulogy. Burial will follow in the church cemetery.

Doris Loretta Killian Lail will be deeply missed, remembered for her kindness, her unwavering support for her loved ones, and the joy she brought into their lives. Her legacy of care and compassion will certainly endure in the hearts of those she touched. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to St. Peter's Lutheran Church Mission team at 6175 St. Peter's Lutheran Church Road, Conover, NC 28613

Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to Alexander Funeral and Cremation Service.

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[Alberta Helen Novick Killian](#)

[unknown – 21 Sep 2024](#), Memorial ID 274675251

Saint Mary's Cemetery, Plymouth, Luzerne County, Pennsylvania



[Barbara Ann Boyer Killian](#)

[7 Dec 1940 – 18 Nov 2024](#), Memorial ID 276750614

Stahl Mennonite Cemetery, Somerset County, Pennsylvania

[Barbara Joyce Brown Killian](#)

[22 Aug 1946 – 1 Mar 2025](#), Memorial ID 280543960

Sunset Memorial Gardens, Cleveland, Bradley County, Tennessee



[Barry Neal Killian V. Veteran](#)

[9 Dec 1938 – 10 Mar 2025](#), Cremated, Memorial ID 280712300

Mount Holly, Gaston County, North Carolina

[Bernita E. Killian](#)

[11 Mar 1933 – 11 Jun 2025](#)

Spring Hill Cemetery, Shippensburg, Cumberland County, PA

[Betty Bowler Killian](#)

[unknown – 20 Apr 2025](#),

Friendship Baptist Church Cemetery, Chester County, South Carolina

[Billy Lynn Killian Jr. Memorial ID](#)

[unknown – 19 Feb 2025](#), Cremated, Memorial ID 281959522

Blytheville, Arkansas



[Brandi Nicole Eckard Killian](#)

[29 Jun 1983 – 27 Dec 2024](#), Memorial ID 277882388

Hickory, Catawba County, North Carolina

[Brenda Killian](#)

[5 May 1962 – 4 Oct 2024](#), Memorial ID 275315805

Fort Payne, Alabama

[Carl Ernest Killian V. Veteran](#)

[22 May 1938 – 23 Feb 2025](#), Memorial ID 280573146

National Memorial Cemetery, Quantico, Prince William County, VA

[Christopher Joseph Killian](#)

[20 Dec 1977 – 11 Dec 2024](#), Memorial ID 277610160

Hansville Cemetery, Fosston, Polk County, Minnesota



[Cleveland Max Killian V. Veteran](#)

[17 Jan 1926 – 31 Oct 2024](#), Memorial ID 276273303

Mesa, Maricopa County, AZ Plot info: Block 909, Lot 4, Grave 3



[Debra Ann Nutt Ayers Killian](#)

[27 May 1955 – 21 Mar 2025](#), Memorial ID 281017726

Evergreen Cemetery, Paris, Lamar County, Texas

[David Osburn "Buck" Killian V. Veteran](#)

[23 Jun 1934 – 6 Jul 2025](#)

Forrest Park Cemetery, Forrest City, St. Francis County, Arkansas



[Dorothy Gene Carter Killian](#)

[30 May 1959 – 7 Feb 2025](#), Memorial ID 279558502

Forest Hills Cemetery, Garvin, McCurtain County, Oklahoma



[Dorothy Mary Winebarger Killian](#)

[19 Sep 1926 – 23 Dec 2024](#), Memorial ID 277884075

Catawba Memorial Park, Hickory, Catawba County, North Carolina



[Edna "Moe" Rines Killian](#)

[6 Oct 1939 – 23 Jan 2025](#), Cremated, Memorial ID 278669456,

Morristown, Tennessee



[Elsie Mae Hopkins Killian V. Veteran](#)

[13 Aug 1938 – 2 Oct 2024](#), Cremated, Memorial ID 275884654,

Baldwin County, Alabama



[Mrs Elsie Mildred Perry Killian](#)

14 Oct 1945 – 9 Sep 2024, Memorial ID 274608611
Philadelphia Cemetery, Olive, Grundy County, Tennessee

[Gary A. Killian](#)

20 Sep 1943 – 2 Feb 2025, Memorial ID 279499999
Forest Home Cemetery, Milwaukee, Milwaukee County, Wisconsin



[George D. Killian V. Veteran](#)

8 Oct 1935 – 22 Sep 2024, Memorial ID 275012019
Gravel Hill Baptist Church Cemetery, Collbran, DeKalb County, AL



[Jan Don Killian](#)

20 Dec 1937 – 6 Nov 2024
Payson City Cemetery, Payson, Utah County, Utah



[Janet Rose Zahner Killian](#)

10 Sep 1940 – 16 Feb 2025, Memorial ID 279861876
Mount Hope Cemetery, Perryville, Perry County, Missouri



[Janice Lorainne Killian](#)

26 Dec – 5 Apr 2025, Memorial ID 283918391
Saint Lukes Lutheran Church, Summerville, Dorchester County, SC



[Janice Marie Walvatne Killian](#)

22 May 1944 – 24 Feb 2025, Memorial ID 280295985 Jefferson
Barracks National Cemetery, Lemay Township, St. Louis County,
Missouri Plot info: SECTION 1GH SITE 448



[Jim Calvin "J.C." Killian](#)

16 Dec 1954 – 5 Nov 2024, Memorial ID 276271950
Coker Cemetery, Rosboro, Pike County, Arkansas

[Joan Murphy Killian](#)

27 May 1937 – 21 Apr 2025, Memorial ID 281978569
Saint Michael's Cemetery, Springfield, Hampden County, MA



[Joan Killian-Fisk](#)

9 Feb 1947 – 16 Jan 2025, Memorial ID 279006408
Greenlawn Cemetery, Uniontown, Stark County, Ohio



[John Patrick "Pat" Killian](#)

13 Feb 1951 – 12 Dec 2024, Memorial ID 277273523
Gethsemani Cemetery, Lima, Allen County, Ohio



[John Russell "Johnny" Killian](#)

11 Nov 1993 – 17 Nov 2024, Rising Sun, Maryland



[Joy Nicole Killian](#)

30 Sep 1990 – 17 Jan 2025, Memorial ID 278902679
Aumsville, Marion County, Oregon



[Karen Elaine Smith Killian](#)

23 Sep 1966 – 17 Dec 2024, Memorial ID 279051209
Calvary Memorial Gardens, Connelly Springs, Burke County, NC



[Katie Anna Killian](#)

13 Oct 1995 – 11 Aug 2024, Cremated, Memorial ID 274173173
Fairgrove, Tuscola County, Michigan

[Lois Virginia Stevens Killian](#)

17 Nov 1933 – 13 Dec 2024, Cremated, Memorial ID
277623739 Hillsboro, Washington County, Oregon



[Maquire Scott Killian](#)

12 Apr 2005 – 30 Nov 2024, Memorial ID 277089768
Riverside Memorial Park, Jacksonville, Duval County, Florida



[Marjorie Ann Killian](#)

27 Sep 1944 – 19 Mar 2025
Maple Hill Cemetery, Huntsville, Madison County, Alabama



[Mark A Killian](#)

26 Feb 1945 – 15 Sep 2024, Memorial ID 274808725
Holy Cross Cemetery, Normal, McLean County, Illinois



[Martha Joan Roberts Killian](#)

2 Nov 1945 – 26 Mar 2025, Memorial ID 281197974
Gravel Hill Baptist Church Cemetery, Collbran, DeKalb County, AL

[Marty Killian](#)

7 Nov 1959 – 6 Jan 2025, Memorial ID 278029471
Kesterson Family Cemetery, Scoot Mill, Greene County, Tennessee



[Mary Ann Holcomb Killian](#)

[30 Nov 1938 – 6 Feb 2025](#), Memorial ID 238420894 Sayre-Doxey Cemetery
Sayre, Beckham County, Oklahoma



[Norman Raymond "Norm" Killian](#)

[9 Jun 1929 – 21 Dec 2024](#), Memorial ID 277791810 Saint Joseph's Cemetery
Prescott, Pierce County, Wisconsin

[Patrick Ambrose "Pat" Killian V. Veteran](#)

[21 Aug 1961 – 20 May 2025](#), Memorial ID 283448435 Desert Lawn Memorial Park
Kennewick, Benton County, Washington

[Peter Killian V. Veteran](#)

[unknown – 2 May 2024](#), Memorial ID 270012830
Saint Joseph's Cemetery
Fleming, Cayuga County, New York

[Priscilla Ann Killian](#)

[25 Jan 1964 – 6 May 2025](#), Memorial ID 282440487 Fort Sam Houston National Cemetery
San Antonio, Bexar County, Texas



[Ralph E. Killian](#)

[6 Feb 1938 – 15 May 2024](#), Memorial ID 283918363
Saint Lukes Lutheran Church, Summerville, Dorchester County, SC

[Randall "Boz" Killian](#)

[7 Jun 1957 – 4 Jul 2025](#), Cremated, Memorial ID 284700469
Cleveland, Bradley County, Tennessee



[Raymond Taylor Killian](#)

[1935 – 25 Mar 2024](#), Memorial ID 268806949
Resurrection Cemetery, Bensalem, Bucks County, Pennsylvania



[Rhyne Meredith Killian V. Veteran](#)

[6 May 1934 – 21 Sep 2024](#), Memorial ID 275605217
Florida National Cemetery, Bushnell, Sumter County, Florida
Plot info: SECTION 613D SITE 677



[Richard Alan Killian V. Veteran](#)

[4 Oct 1942 – 25 Dec 2024](#), Memorial ID 277677573 Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery, Elwood, Will County, Illinois
Plot info: SECTION 27, SITE 854



[Richard T. Killian V. Veteran](#)

[21 Jan 1930 – 10 Jun 2024](#), Memorial ID 271402067
Saint Stephens Cemetery, Streator, LaSalle County, Illinois



[Robert Louis Killian V. Veteran](#)

[25 Jul 1942 – 15 Jan 2025](#), Memorial ID 278320391
Southside Cemetery, Catawba County, North Carolina



[Robert S. Killian V. Veteran](#)

[2 Jun 1934 – 12 Aug 2024](#), Memorial ID 276886309
Riverside National Cemetery, Riverside, Riverside County, CA Plot info: Section 63E, Site 312

[Robert Wayne Killian](#)

[1940 – 2025](#), Memorial ID 284497778
Catawba Memorial Park, Hickory, Catawba County, NC



[Roger A. Killian](#)

[21 Jul 1989 – 16 Dec 2024](#), Memorial ID 277564585
Pequea Township, Lancaster County, PA



[Rose E Collins Killian](#)

[20 Oct 1933 – 11 Feb 2025](#), Memorial ID 279801672
Riverside Cemetery, Farmington, Hartford County, Connecticut

[Roy Garfield "Bud" Killian V. Veteran](#)

[7 Nov 1925 – 11 Jan 2024](#), Memorial ID 263145076
Mountain View Cemetery, Blacksburg, Cherokee County, SC

[Ruth Ann Lyman Killian](#)

[20 Jul 1934 – 14 Jan 2025](#), Memorial ID 278252445
Saint Boniface Cemetery, Lafayette, Tippecanoe County, Indiana



[Sharon Hughes Killian](#)

[24 Jan 1946 – 26 Feb 2025](#), Memorial ID 280465727
Gilkey United Methodist Church Cemetery
Rutherfordton, Rutherford County, North Carolina
—OR— Memorial ID 280383940
Saint Eugene Catholic Church, Asheville, Buncombe County, NC

[Sheffield Demaris "Sheff" Killian](#)

[13 Jan 1938 – 17 Apr 2025](#), Memorial ID 281774133
Evergreen Memorial Park, Ogden, Webster County, Utah



[Steven G Killian](#)

[17 Apr 1965 – 23 Feb 2025](#), Memorial ID 280386326
Pleasant View Cemetery, Sinking Springs, Berks County, PA

[T Foster Killian](#)

21 Jan 1944 – 27 Jun 2025, Memorial ID 284526806
Monroe City Cemetery, Monroe, Ouachita Parish, Louisiana



[Ted Jackson "Jack" Killian V. Veteran](#)

2 Sep 1932 – 9 Mar 2025, Memorial ID 280899621
Eagle Point National Cemetery, Eagle Point, Jackson County, Oregon
Plot info: SECTION 32 SITE 572

[Theodore J. Killian V. Veteran](#)

1925 – 16 Jun 2025, Memorial ID 284053419
Saint Mary's Cemetery, Plymouth, Luzerne County, Pennsylvania



[Tyler Mary Harder Killian](#)

17 Jul 1970 – 12 Feb 2025, Memorial ID 280089413
Lakewood Cemetery, Minneapolis, Hennepin County, Minnesota

[Victoria Lynn "Vickie" Killian](#)

12 Mar 1951 – 13 Apr 2024, Memorial ID 270118443
Camp Butler National Cemetery, Springfield, Sangamon County, IL
Plot info: N SITE 7



[Wesley James Killian](#)

4 Apr 2023 – 15 Jul 2024

AND

[William Andrew Killian](#)

2018 – 10 Jul 2024, Cremated, Memorial ID 273832791
Alameda, Alameda County, CA, San Cayetano Istepeque, El Sal.



[William David Killian V. Veteran](#)

11 Oct 1940 - 1 Jan 2025 (aged 84), Memorial ID 277894739
Resurrection Memorial Cemetery, Oklahoma City, OK County, OK

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The Genetics of the Kilians

(Shared by William "Bill" McCreight)

First, I would like to say, the name Kilian is not misspelled. I deliberately wrote it with one "L" because Andreas Kilian himself signed his name as Andreas Kilian. We have several of Andreas' signatures, on the ship's passenger list, on two oaths he signed in Philadelphia, on his will, and on several land records. Although Andreas' will is signed Andreas Kilian, the will calls him Andrew Killian. I never found it spelled with two "Ls" in any of the hundred documents I found in Germany, although I found a family named Kylian. It is probably spelled Killian in America, because only British ships were allowed to carry cargo and passengers to British colonies. A British ships officer spelled the passengers names the way they sounded to him, and one sees many strange spellings on most passenger lists.

Earlier I reported that Andreas Kilian's grandfather Georg's first wife Ursula Raysigs, who bore him five children, died seven days after the birth of her last child. Three months after Ursula's death Georg married Apollonia Burckard, and in 1649 they moved from Lobenhausen to Schainbach, where Apollonia had twelve children. When George died Apollonia was pregnant, and later had a stillborn child, so they actually had thirteen children, bringing Georg's total children to eighteen children.

When I visited Schainbach I met Walter Kilian, living in the same village where Andreas' grandfather Georg, born in 1616, had lived. Walter gave me what he knew about his ancestors in the 1800s, and I traced them to Georg's first wife Ursula Raysigs, whom I formerly had not discovered. According to church documents, we are half eighth cousins one time removed.

However, I wanted more proof, and Walter gave me a DNA sample. I have no Kilian male Y-DNA, because my Kilian connection is through my mother. Walter's Y-DNA matched several male Kilians in North Carolina, and this conclusively proved our relationship as well as my previous research that was only supported by documents, which are sometimes not correct, as were some of the Kilian documents I found.

But it also proved much more than that. I found three other people of interest related to Walter. Two who now live in Ireland and another now living in Scotland. The common ancestor of Walter and the two people in Ireland lived 2,500 and 3,400 years ago. The one in Scotland lived 2,900 years ago.

Walter's haplogroup is uncommon in Germany. It is most commonly found in Ireland, and among the Basque in Spain. The Basque are not an Indo-European people, as almost all Europeans are. They were probably the aboriginal people of Spain before the Indo-European people arrived.

Several times Walter told me "We are not Bavarians. We are Franks." The Franks were a Germanic people who migrated from Scandinavia to the area of the Rhine River in the 3rd century AD. They ultimately drove out the Romans, subjugated other Germanic tribes and established a United Kingdom that covered most of Europe. This culminated in the empire of Karl der Große, born in Aachen, Germany most likely in 748 AD, whom the French called Charlemagne. His grand-children fought over the empire and it was divided into West Frankia (France), East Frankia (Germany plus other lands) and Lotharingia (Alsace and Lorraine both now in France).

The fact that Walter Kilian's DNA shows a haplogroup mostly found in Ireland, he is closely related to three Celtic people who lived between 2,500 and 3,400 years ago and whose descendants now live in Ireland and Scotland, and the Celts originated in the area where Walter lived, for about 4,000 years before any Germanic tribes appeared outside of Scandinavia, all together indicates that Walter is of Celtic descent.

Walter died, and I usually visited his widow and daughter Andrea once a year. I asked Andrea what her father thought when I told him he was not a Frank. She said: "It's alright as long as he was not a Swabian." Swabia begins not far from where Walter lived, and was settled by the Germanic Suebi tribe.

Historians usually consider ancient chronicles as mythology, but Dr. Bryan Sykes, who pioneered mitochondrial DNA research, said that his experience shows that there is far more truth in ancient chronicles than the stories dreamed up by historians and archaeologists. I have found this to be true, not only with the ancient Irish and Scottish chronicles, but also with the Anglo- Saxon, Scandinavian and Gothic chronicles.

Dr. Sykes' mitochondrial DNA research showed that virtually all Europeans are descended from only seven women, the first came 40,000 years, and the last 10,000 years ago. Almost all other genetic lines have apparently died out.

Before cells divide, the pairs of chromosomes (one from the father and one from the mother) entwine and exchange genes. Then the male Y-chromosome contains some genes from the grandmothers and great-grandmothers etc., and the female X-chromosome contains some genes from the same male ancestors.

But at the end of the Y-Chromosome there is an area of archaic genes that no longer have an active purpose. This part does not recombine. It is only changed by very rare mutations. That is why this part is of the most interest to genealogists.

The mitochondrial DNA is not in the chromosomes. It is passed only from the mother to both her female and male children, and never changes, except by extremely rare mutations.

Therefore, it is essentially the same in every generation back to the genealogical Eve. This makes it a valuable research tool.

In my opinion, Walter's DNA proved the validity of at least the storyline in the ancient Irish and Scottish Chronicles, which says the Irish and the Scots came to Ireland from Spain in about 500 BC, where they formed three kingdoms. In about 500 AD a group of them moved from Ulster, Northern Ireland to the land of the Picts, which is now Scotland. We know from historical document that these Celts were subjugated by the Picts for centuries until Kenneth MacAlpin (Cináed mac Ailpín) married a Pict princess. He later became the first King of Scotland in 843 AD and reigned until 858.

DNA, language and culture show that the Picts were also Celts closely related to the Welsh, Cornish, and Breton Celts.

There are two opinions of how Kenneth MacAlpin became king. One is that he overthrew the Pict leader. The other opinion is that Pict inheritance passed through the female line, making him legally King.

To fully understand why this proves the chronicle storyline is true, requires a look at the origin of the Celts. Almost all people in Europe are descended from the same Indo-European stem, with the exception of the Basque in Spain and the Uralic people. These are the majority of the Finns, Estonians and Magyar (who live in Hungary). The Basque and the Uralic people together only amount to about 4% of the European population, 96% of the Europeans are of Indo-European descent.

About 4,000 years ago, The Celts branched off from the Indo-European stem in Middle- Frankia, which is now in Württemberg Germany where Walter lived, and nearby parts of Austria. They spoke a proto-Celtic language.

The Germanic people separated from the Indo-European stem about 2,500 years ago in Scandinavia and spoke a Proto-Germanic language. The first Germanic Cimbri and Teutoni tribes moved south into what is now Bohemia in 200 BC, and a great many other tribes followed about 600 years later.

In about 500 BC the Celts began to expand into what became France, England and Spain.

In 390 BC they sacked Rome and settled northern Italy. Then they attacked Delphi, Greece but were driven off. They moved on into Parts of Russia and the land of the Scythians. The Scythians were a nomadic horse-riding people, of Persian origin, who dominated what is now the Ukraine and the neighboring parts of Russia.

The Celts have been called the first Pan-European Culture. But they left no written records except a few runic inscriptions on stone monuments, so other than archaeological excavations, little known about them except what was written by their enemies, the Greeks and Romans, who described them as barbarians.

Actually, they had an advanced culture and among their other talents, they were excellent metal workers. They had better weapons than the Romans and far out-numbered the Romans. The Romans could never have defeated them if the Celts had Roman discipline, and were united. This enabled the Romans to conquer them one tribe at a time.

The Celts did unbelievable gold work. I visited an expedition of Celtic gold work found all over Europe, including Russia, in Venice, Italy. Some of it was so fine that magnifying glasses were mounted over the gold work, so one could see work too small to see without the lens. This was the first and only time all of these works could be seen in one place.

Celts lived among the Scythians and traded with them, but there is no evidence that the Celts conquered them. The Scythians also did excellent gold work, which they could not have traded from the Celts, because the designs usually had various native animal themes, unlike Celtic gold work.

Getting back to the ancient Irish and Scottish chronicles, which say the Celts came to Spain from the east, via Egypt. Considering the above, this was probably the land of the Scythians, Ukraine and southern Russia.

When the Romans arrived in Spain in about 218 BC there were already many Celtic tribes there. Some had mixed with the indigenous Iberian people and were called Celtiberians. The Romans lost several battles against the Celtiberians and other Celtic tribes. In fact, they continued to harass the Romans and kill Roman soldiers for almost 200 years.

There is still a Celtic region called Galicia, in north-western Spain with an active Celtic culture. The Romans called the Celts Gaul's, and there are other regions in Europe called Galicia.

The Greeks named the Celts (Ancient Greek Κελτοί (Keltoi). In the 6th century BC, Hecataeus of Miletus called the people in Southern France Keltoi. Herodotus called the people living in western of Europe "Keltoi.

It is not clear what Keltoi means. Others used Keltoi for various meanings, such as: "tall ones," "heroic ones," "to strike," "hidden people," Celtic religion forbid writing mystical knowledge.

In Latin Keltoi is Celtae, but the Romans called them Gaul's or Galli. This comes from Greek town "Γαλάται" (Galátai). The Gaul's invaded southeastern Europe and settled in Galatia, in modern Turkey.

History, archaeology, DNA and present Celtic cultures all support the conclusion that the ancient Irish and Scottish chronicles are correct, at least in the fundamental story they tell, and they are not mythology.

I had my DNA tested at FamilyTree DNA, 23AndMe, and 24Genetics. In addition, the National Geographic Society financially supported the Geographic projects 1 and 2. I submitted my own and my wife's DNA to both projects. The two projects tested nearly a million people in 120 countries. They used DNA evidence to map the migrations of modern humans out of Africa to populate the rest of the world.

The Neanderthals and Denisovans were not part of this movement. They were already in Europe and Asia for a million years before any modern humans came. They must have evolved in Europe and Asia because their DNA is not found in Africans, but most Europeans have about 3% Neanderthal DNA and about 2% Denisovan DNA, as both my wife and I do. The Denisovans have 17% Neanderthal DNA.

The presence of Neanderthal DNA in Europeans is because the first modern humans in Europe arrived in the last Ice Age. The Neanderthal had moved south of the glaciers and they coexisted with the new-comers until they became extinct. About 20,000 years later, the ice began to melt and eventually the new-comers moved into a totally uninhabited Europe.

Because my mother's Kilian mitochondrial DNA dates back to the genealogical Eve, except for very rare mutations, I could use the Geographic Project 1 and 2 to trace their migration out of Africa to Europe.

Most of these people came from central east Africa because this is near the only two ways out of Africa without crossing water. They probably had no intention of migrating, but were simply following their primary food sources, grazing animals.

Between Ice Ages, when sea levels were high, they could go through the Sahara, which was then lush grass-land, shown by cliff painting in the Sahara with people hunting grazing animals. This led through Gaza on into Anatolia, in Turkish west Asia, and from there, via the Bosphorus into southern Europe.

During Ice Ages the sea levels were very low and the second way was to walk across the then dry Bab-el-Mandeb Straits between East Africa and what is now Yemen, then north through Saudi Arabia into Anatolia and via the Bosphorus into Europe.

The Germanic people are the only people known to not enter Europe via the Bosphorus.

They went north through what is now Russia, along the Black Sea to the Sea of Azov, then along a River Valley to an uninhabited Scandinavia, where they remained until 200 BC.

When my maternal ancestors left Africa there was no Ice Age and sea levels were high. They took the Gaza route into Europe, where the Celtic branch divided to form its own culture, and turned toward present-day Middle-Frankia where Walter Kilian lived. The others went on to central Europe.

My paternal ancestors left Africa during the last Ice age, when sea levels were extremely low, and they took the route into Yemen and Saudi Arabia, on to Anatolia, then followed the same route as my maternal ancestors, but they continued to what is now Belgium, across the channel into England and ultimately to Scotland. So, some of the Scotts came this way and others came from Spain to Ulster, Ireland, then to Scotland. So, my Haplogroup is not the same as those who came via Ireland, and is not among the most common haplogroup in Scotland.

With the aid of DNA, I was able to learn that the McCreight surname emerged in south-western Scotland about a thousand years ago, when the surnames were first required. Celtic, Germanic and Scandinavian people used their father's name, with the genitive form of "son of" added as either a suffix or a prefix, as a surname. In Scottish and Irish Gaelic, the prefix "Mac" or its abbreviation

“Mc”, means son of. In Welsh Gaelic it is “ap”. In Danish it is the genitive suffix “sen,” in Swedish and Norwegian “son”, and in German “Sohn”.

The earliest McCreight documents I could find were of William McCreight, born in Scotland in 1645, about 645 years after the name emerged. Because fathers of cousin, uncles, etc. had different names, with DNA one finds many 1st cousins with various other surnames.

What to Bring to DNA Table at Reunion

(Shared by AKDHA DNA Co-Administrator, [James Walker Green III](#))

DNA talks with Q&A sessions followed by workshops downloading & uploading your DNA & Gedcoms from Ancestry.com, FTDNA, Wiki-Tree, Living DNA, Ged-Match, & more to FTDNA, Wiki-Tree, Living DNA, Ged-Match, y-tree Y-Full, & more.

Bring your laptop or other device if you know how to use it, with downloading & uploading & to get codes sent to your email or phone.

Bring kit# or email address to login & passwords to login into your kits at all companies where you have your DNA already.

Log in to make sure you know how and to make sure a company has not changed password requirements or instituted 2-step logins where you have to enter a code sent to a phone # or to an email address you can get into.

Print a few copies of your pedigrees, Y-DNA matches, Big-Y Block Trees, & autosomal matches.

We may have a few kits to sell cheap e.g. Ancestry.com kits for \$45 & laser printer copies. I may have Kit #'s & passwords for kits in projects I manage. Join your Killian Y-DNA kits to the Killian project & join project at FTDNA Y & autosomal kits to the FF-Killian DNA project at FTDNA.

Phone me (James Walker Green III) at 803-402-3710 well before the reunion to try to work out some of these details before you come to bring to share download of your DNA from Ancestry.com to upload your DNA to MyHeritage.com.

DNA 101 for all Killian* Descendants

(Shared by AKDHA DNA Co-Administrator, [James Walker Green III](#))

For the DNA program, I intend to go over, for the group presentation, one of your all's or my mom's mtDNA & my Y-DNA at:

- 1) FTDNA & autosomal DNA
- 2) MyHeritage
- 3) Ancestry
- 4) 23andMe
- 5) Living DNA

then uploading a tree from a genealogy program or website such as ancestry.com, unless you all have DNA questions leading us in other directions.

Bring your kit #/s (for FTDNA) & email address/es (for DNA at other companies) & password/s to log into your kits at all companies where you & your & kin have DNA, e.g. Ancestry.com, FTDNA, MyHeritage, Living DNA, Wikitree, Gedmatch, & 23andme.com.

After the program, we can go over uploading DNA & trees (gedcom files) to gedmatch, individually in the Mt. Zion Fellowship Hall & in the lobby of Best Western Friday, Saturday & Sunday. Cheryl Killian, Kim Sipe, Eddie Killian, I & others of you all should be available to help each other. What one of us does not know, I expect others of us may know.

If you have never been to the Andreas Killian Reunion or it has been more than 5 years, email your Killian lineage starting with yourself & going back as far as you can, to [Kim Sipe](#). She will then be able to make you a name tag for the reunion like everyone else has.

I am inviting those descended from Andreas Killian & any and all Killian* descendants in the Killian DNA projects.

*regardless of how Killian is spelled, e.g Killian, Kilian, Killion, Kileen, Kilerin, Kilion, Killam, Killan, Killeen, Killeen, Killen, Killens, Killiam, Killins, Killion, Killum, Kilyan, Schilon ...

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