

# THE SUNFLOWER

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# **NOTICE: 2012 Dues Increase to: \$15**

• January 17th

The Other Censuses

February 21st

10 Reasons to Love Local Histories

March 21st

The Grist Mill - Family History Story

April 18th

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Welcome to the Melting Pot

June 20th

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• July 18th

The Cherokee Strip Land Rush of 1893

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Using Time Lines

• September 19th

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October 17th

Annual Potluck - Show & Tell

November 21st

Uncle Bill's Suitcase

December 2011

**Board Meeting Only** 

#### **Editor's Note**



Warmer weather is here and that makes me happy. Even better is my son returned home safely from his year-long deployment to Afghanistan. I hope life will return to some sense of normal for us soon as he settles in at Ft. Campbell.

The society needs people to step forward and serve. One <u>critical need</u> is for at least 3 people to step forward to commit to provide material for this quarterly, each issue. Suggestions and assistance is available.

It is my hope that our quarterly will continue to contain quality information on our Reno County roots. I see many quarterlies that are filled with what I call fluff, like poems, etc. There are many resources available at the library and online if you sub-

scribe to Ancestry.com or Newspaperarchive.com.

Please volunteer to research for future quarterlies. And, if you have not shared your Reno County family in the quarterly we welcome that too. Below is a list of ideas waiting to be researched and shared.

- Pioneers & Old Settlers
- Cities, Towns & Townships
- Veterans
- Buildings

- Societies & Organizations
- Schools
- Churches
- Businesses

- Occupations
- Historical Events: grasshoppers, buffalo, Indian scares, epidemics, etc.

#### **New Members**

No new members



New members - Do we have your email? Don't miss our monthly eNews!

#### On The Cover

Bisonte Hotel.

Photo shared by the Reno County Museum. Please stop by and see the Bisonte exhibit at the museum opening June 16th.

Photographed by Marion W. Bailey, featured in this issue.

# **Community Connections Project: Cemetery Signs**

Projects that allow us to connect with or give back to our community.

In 2009 we adopted a project of placing name signs in 17 of our 55 county cemeteries that did not have one. Here is the break down to date:

#### On site in cemetery:

- Antioch
- Hazen

#### Received - will be delivered for installation:

- Bainum
- Baker
- Buhler East / Ebenezer
- Fairview
- Haven Priest
- Lutheran
- Maple Hill
- Old Langdon
- Pleasant Hill [Ninnescah Twp]
- Reformatory
- Thiessen
- Westminster
- Yoder Amish

#### Waiting on contact / permission:

- Amish
- Pleasant Hill [Loda Twp]

And, the new dedication stone has been installed at Antioch, where we placed our first sign. See the photos featured in this issue.

#### **Marion William Bailey**

In 2010 I was contacted by local historian, Steve Conard, to see if the society had any information on Marion Bailey, an early day Hutchinson photographer. I had seen his name on photos but didn't know any more than that. [Our cover photo was taken by Bailey]. Steve owns about 300 of Bailey's photos and plans to write a book. I agreed to provide research assistance in hopes of locating living descendents and perhaps a photo of the photographer. I began with the census to determine Marion's family. From there I began researching the children. The first attempt came to a stand still so I changed directions and was able to locate a grandson, David Neighbors, living across town. I made contact with him on the phone and Steve and I met with him soon after where we were able to ask more questions and obtain two wonderful family photos. Funny thing about this is Mr. Neighbors knew Steve's dad and Steve went to school with Mr. Neighbor's daughter. Small world! Here in the pages of our quarterly is a good place to record the information I found.

Marion William Bailey was born July 11, 1869 in Richardson County, Nebraska to Thomas and Ann Bailey. By 1870 the Bailey family had relocated to Kansas, first in Doniphan County and later to Finney County.

He married Mary Jane Naylor February 9, 1891. By 1900 they were living in McPherson County with 3 children; Edna, Edith & Mabel. Another child had been born by the 1900 census but no other information is known. In 1901 Gladys Marian was born. She died 5 months later. Edna, Edith & Mabel lived to adulthood and raised a family of their own.

The 1900 to 1915 Federal and State Census record Marion's occupation as a photographer. Later years would record him as a truck driver for the oil fields. It is not known why he changed his occupation.

Marion died March 21, 1944 and was buried by his daughter, Gladys, in the Bean Cemetery in McPherson. Four years later his wife passed away and was laid to rest beside him.

#### **Marion William Bailey**

Born: 7/11/1869 Richardson Co., NE

Married: 2/9/1891 Died: 3/21/1944

Buried: Bean Cemetery, Rice Co., KS Parents: Thomas and Ann Bailey

#### Wife: Mary J. Naylor

Born: 11/3/1872 Ohio Died: 11/3/1948

Obit: Hutchinson News Herald 11/3/1948 Buried: Bean Cemetery, Rice Co., KS

#### Children:

Unknown child

Edna Blanche: [Coleman] 1892 - 1976

Edith Hazel: [Clare/Adams]

Ethel Mabel: [Neighbors] 1898 - 1978

Gladys Marian: 1/13/1901 – 6/19/1901 – Bean Cemetery

#### 1870 Iowa, Doniphan Co., KS – Federal Census – William, age 11 months.

1875 Doniphan Co., KS – State Census – Wm, age 6

1880 Wolfriver Twp, Doniphan Co., KS – Wm, age 10

1885 Doniphan Co., KS – State Census – Marion, age 16

1890 Federal Census was destroyed in fire

1895 [no Finney Co., census not taken]

#### 1900: Marquette, McPherson Co., KS - Federal Census; Bailey

Marion W., 30, July 1869, Married 9 yrs, Born NE, PHOTOGRAPHER

Mary J., 26, Nov 1873, Married 9 yrs, Born OH, 3 of 4 children living

Edna B., 7, June 1892, Born KS

Edith H., 3, Sept 1896, Born KS

Mabel E., 7/12, Oct 1899, Born KS

#### 1905: Reno Co., KS – State Census; Bailey

M W, 35, PHOTOGRAPHER

Mary J., 31

Edna B, 12

Edith Hazel, 9

Ethel Mabel, 6

#### 1910: Hutchinson, Reno Co., KS - Federal Census; Bailey

Marion W, 40, Married 19 years, Born NE, father born IL, mother born KY, PHOTOGRAPHER

Mary J., 37, married 19 years, 3 of 5 children living, Born OH

Edna B, 17, born in KS

Edith N, 13, born in KS

Ethel M, 11, born in KS

#### 1915: Reno Co., KS – State Census; Bailey

Bailey, M. W., 45, PHOTOGRAPHER

Bailey, Mary, 41

Coleman, Arlie, 26

Coleman, Blanche, 22 [Edna]

Coleman, Arlene, 13 m,

Bailey, Edith, 18

Bailey, Ethel, 16

#### 1920: Eldorado, Butler Co., KS – Federal Census; Clare

Clare, William L, 25, MO

Clare, Edith H, 23, KS

Clare, Anita 10/12, MO

Bailey, Marion W., 50, FIL, NE, TRUCK DRIVER

Bailey, Mary J, 46, OH

[living with his married daughter]

#### 1925: Reno Co., KS - State Census; Bailey

747 East Ave F

William, 55, NE, TRUCK DRIVER, Oil Fields Mary, 52, OH

1928: 4/19 - Hutchinson News article

Mr & Mrs Jack Neighbors visit Mr & Mrs M. W. Bailey of 600 N. Monroe

1930: Federal Census?

1932: Article - Easter in Hutch

1932: 9/15 Hutchinson News Article

Grandparents in obit of Jackie Bailey, 8. Lived on Medora pavement.

1944: 3/21 Died in Hutchinson

#### Obit 3/22/1944 Hutchinson News Herald - Marion

Marion William Bailey died in his home northeast of Hutchinson at 9:30 a.m. Tuesday from a heart attack. He has been in ill health a year.

Mr. Bailey was born in Richardson County, Neb., July 11, 1869 and was married Feb. 9, 1891 to Mary Jane Naylor. They had lived in this community 40 years, coming here from Great Bend. Mr. Bailey was formerly a photographer in Hutchinson and at the state reformatory.

Survivors are the widow; three daughters, Mrs. A. E. Coleman, 601 North Monroe, Mrs. Floyd R. Adams, 508 East A, and Mrs. Ethyl Neighbors, 2700 East 30<sup>th</sup>; six grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

#### Obit 11/3/1948 Hutchinson News Herald - Mary J.

Mrs. Mary J. Bailey, 21 West Eighth, died at 2:30 a.m. Wednesday. The widow of Marion W. Bailey had been ill since July. A member of the First Christian church, Mrs. Bailey was born Nov. 3, 1872 in Ohio.

She is survived by: three daughters, Mrs. A. E. Coleman, of the home, Mrs. F. R. Adams, 508 East A, and Mrs. Ethel Neighbors, 2700 East 30<sup>th</sup>: three sisters, Mrs. Clara Wheeler, Kalvesta, Mrs. Martha Spriggs, Geneseo, and Sarah Naylor, Monroe, Ore.; four brothers, Stephen and Morris Naylor, both of Monroe, Ore., Alec, Crow Indian Reservation of Montana, and Harrison Naylor, Washington, D. C.; six grandchildren; and three great grandchildren.

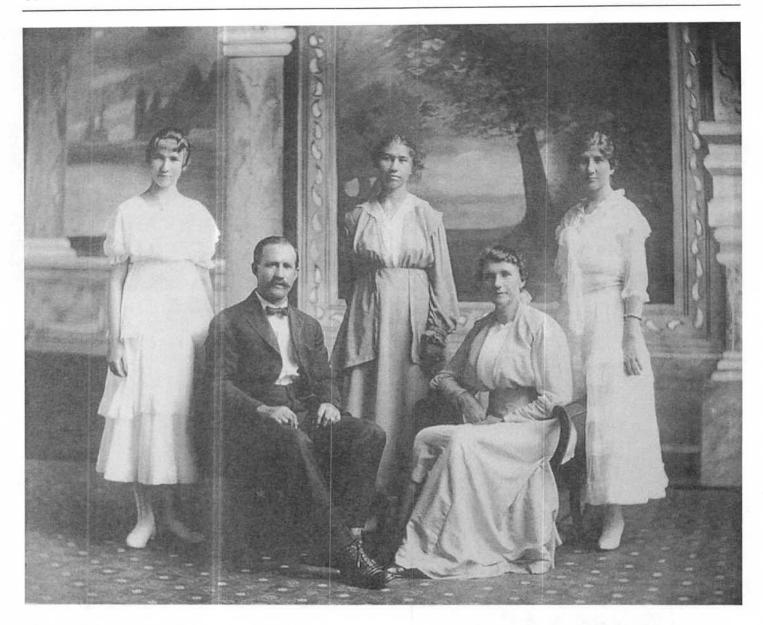












Above: Ethel, Marion, Edna, Mary Edith

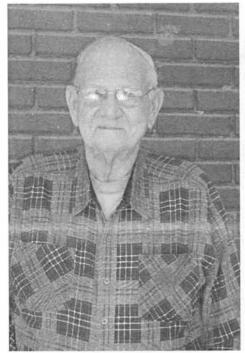
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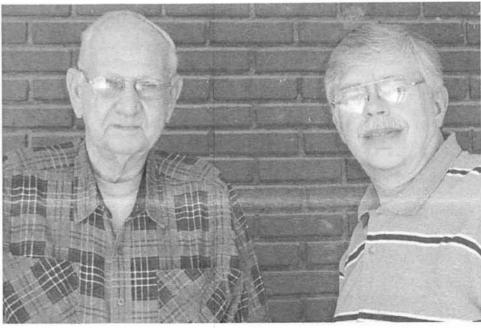
Top: Ethel, Edith, Edna, Mary & Marion

Bottom left: David Neighbors

Bottom right: Steve Conard



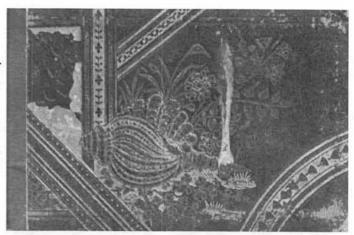




# Mary Hill's Autograph Book

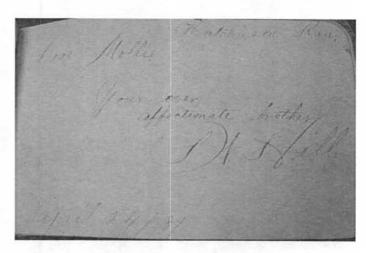
I came across this autograph book at a local antique store. The locations of the signatures are local so I thought I'd try to find out more of the owner, Mary Hill and record it in the quarterly. I would love to find a treasure like this for my ancestor.





Mary Hill is a common name so I flipped through the book for clues. I was pleased to find an entry from her brother, S. W. Hill.

Hutchinson, Kans Dear Mollie Your ever, affectionate brother, S. W. Hill April 24 / 81



A quick look at the 1880 census in Lincoln Township of Reno County provided the following family:

B. F. Swander, 32, OH Catherine, 41, OH, wife Jessie C., 7, OH, dau Daisy, 4, OH, dau Otto F., 8/12, KS, son Hill, Samuel, 23, OH, step son Hill, Mary, 18, OH, step dau

It looks as if Mary and Samuel live with their mother and step-father. I checked the Reno County marriage records and found:

Mary A., 30 to Roberson Bramwell, 26 on 11/16/1887 at the home of B. F. Swander.

So our Mary Hill is the daughter of Catherine, sister of Samuel and wife of Bramwell.

#### Mary A. Hill married Robinson Bramwell

11/16/1887 at the home of DF Swander in Reno County, Kansas

Children: All buried at Fairview Cemetery - same as parents.

 Helen V.: 1891 – 1891 [in same lot with Mary, Robinson & Warren]\*

Sidney Hill: 1888 - 1976

Warren Fay: 1892 - 1909 [drowned]

Leo Vern: 1894 - 1979



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\*I assume this to be Mary's daughter based on the census question of number of children born and number living and the fact this infant is buried in the same lot with Mary. The cemetery records show Helen as born on 4/3/1891 and died on 6/28/1891. Her death is also recorded as 6/28 in the Reno County Kansas Deaths Index 1890-1911.

Mother: Catherine L. Wright Hill Swander. I found the maiden name Wright in an online tree at Ancestry.com.

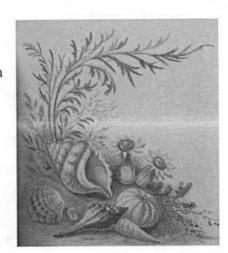
Father: ? [one online tree has Sam W. but I would like to verify this].

#### Federal & State Census for Mary A. Hill Bramwell

- 1870 Wood Co., OH: Mary Hill, 9 years old. [Catherine & Samuel Hill].
- 1880 Reno Co., KS: Mary Hill, 18 [step dau of DF Swander].
- 1885 Reno Co., KS: Mary Hill, 23 [home of DF & CL Swander].
- 1895 Reno Co., KS: M. A. Bramwell, 33. R 37, SH 7, FW 2, LV 6m.
- 1900 Reno Co., KS: Mary A. Bramwell, 38. 3 of 4 children living. Roberson, 42. Sidney H., 11, Warren F.
   7, Leo V., 5. Three sons.
- 1905 Reno Co., KS: Mary A. Bramwell 43. R 47, SH 16, FW 12, Leo 10.
- 1910 Reno Co., KS: Mary A. Bramwell 48. 2 of 4 children living. Robert 52, Sidney H 21 married 0, Pearl F. DIL 19, Leo V 15.
- 1915 Comanche Co., KS: Mary A. Bramwell 53. R 57, Leo 20.
- 1920 Comanche Co., KS: Mary Abigal Bramwell, 58. Robison 62.
- 1925 Comanche Co., KS: Mary A. Bramwell 63, Robert 67.
- 1930 Comanche Co., KS: Mary A. Bramwell, R 72. Own a radio

In the next issue we'll take a closer look at her family and siblings, along with the special pages signed by her mother and future husband. There are a few pages like this one in the book and they are in color.

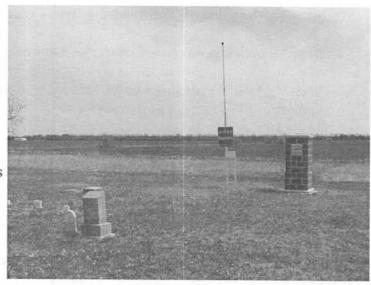
So far I haven't found any living descendents.



# **Antioch Cemetery Dedication Memorial**

Antioch Cemetery was the first cemetery to receive a name sign as part of our community connections project. The day of the dedication is was decided a dedication memorial would be installed. I finally made time to get out to see it. Here is a little history about the cemetery:

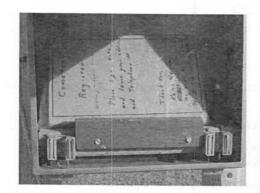
For years this was an unkempt cemetery, buried in trash, on the east side of the road, two and a half miles north of St. Joe. No name was known for it. Later it was thought to be the Weise cemetery - based most likely on a land owners name. The condition of the site changed when Keith Neuway started taking care of it in the 1980's. Today you will find a visitor's reg-



ister in the box attached to the flag pole. It is mowed on a regular basis by the neighbors.

I found an obituary in which it was called Antioch Cemetery. After discussion between Keith and myself we decided it would be dedicated as the Antioch Cemetery and our local genealogical society would provide a sign. A small crowd was present on Friday, August 28, 2009, when the cemetery sign for the Antioch Cemetery was installed. The Hutchinson News carried the story. You can read more about this on the RCGS blog and also about the grant we received from Megan Smolenyak, of Honoring Our Ancestors, to continue with the project of installing signs at the cemeteries without one.





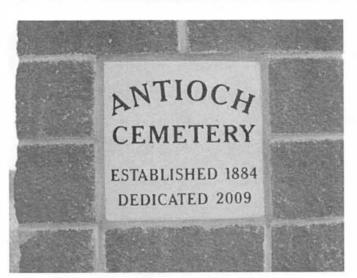


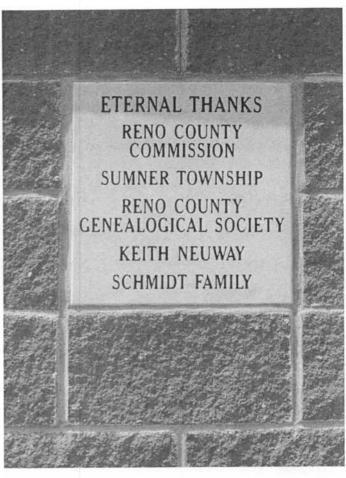
This Register was placed in this cometary on 5-24-80 by Keith Newway.

I am interested in who is buried here. If you have any information on who is buried here graves are - please contact me.

I live at the corner south of the corner and then 2 Miles west.







During my recent visit I signed the visitor book and was honored by the words Mr. Neuway recorded:

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finding the true name of the
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more detailed into on the
counciery and its history - go
to their website.

# Orlando Jarrett Undertaker Reports, continued

Thanks to Debby Potter for contacting RCGS to share these undertaker reports from her ancestor, Orlando Jarrett. I will feature the 48 reports in upcoming issues. Orlando Jarrett died in 1927 and is buried at Wildmead Cemetery. Reports are for the following:

Olmstead, Leo

Keller, Floyd

Nash, Lee

McNeill, Robert

Jeffies, Warren

Thomas, William

Bally, Terry

Sleeper, Mary E.

Wilkisen, William

Green, Frank

Correction to Feb 2010 list: Inez F. Parkham should be Inez F. Parham.

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# Remembering Walter

In the Old Langdon Cemetery lies a crumbled tombstone. Thankfully, someone placed a simple metal marker on the grave so that we would know the person resting there.

Usually I will see an interesting or sad headstone and look for an obituary to learn more about the person. This time I came across the obituary and checked to see if we had the death recorded and if I had a photo since this cemetery has been completely photographed. And my answer was yes on both of those questions.

We know his name is Walter from the marker. Perhaps the original stone also had his name on it. This little guy died a horrible death.

The Hutchinson News April 22, 1880

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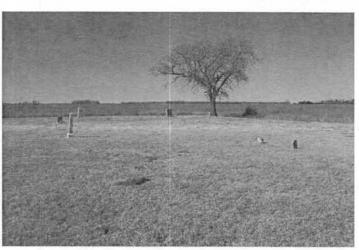
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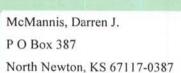
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