



# LINNELL FAMILY NEWSLETTER

Rachel Linnell Wynn, Founder and Historian Emeritus

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## Letter From The Chairman

By Doug Roberts, Linnell Family Association Steering Committee Chair

Howdy again! There are big happenings in the LFA.

In this issue you will find the obituary for our founder, Rachel Linnell Wynn. She was granted 104 years! We will always be in her debt for pulling thousands of family members together, celebrating the descendants of Robert Linnell in America. Her loss is inestimable. Today we reach out to Linnells world-wide.

Please find part 2 of Jason’s article on Robert Linnell. This section introduces the Howse family. More of Jason’s essay will be published in later newsletters. .

Also please find part 2 of the Reunion article by Don Linnell. The first part of the article was in Volume 1 earlier this year. This is part 2 and the conclusion. If you would like to consider hosting a reunion, please contact a steering committee member.

In other big news, our historians and gravestone team members, Jason Jon Quick and Lori Linnell, have worked with the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs to provide a headstone for ancestor Samuel Linnell (1778-1847) who fought in the War of 1812 battle at Sackett’s Harbor. He was captured and spent most of the war starving on a prison ship and in a Halifax POW camp. Your little organization paid to have the stone set in cement next to his wife Eunice Mosher Linnell at the Clayton Center Cemetery.

Lori and Jason worked on this for years and made a connection with the Jefferson County historian. Samuel’s story has been published in their newsletter publication. The local team wanted to celebrate the stone placement, so nearby Fort Drum was contacted to see if they would send a flag folding team and play Taps. When the Army found out Samuel was a POW, they insisted on sending a minimum nine-man team to also provide a 21-gun salute!

The ceremony will be held at 11AM Saturday September 9 at the Clayton Center Cemetery (15650 County Rd 5, Clayton, NY 13624). Several of your servants on the steering committee plan to be there. This is a public event, and all are welcome. We would love to see you! If you wish more information, post in the Linnell Family Association page on Facebook or contact any of us via email address found in the masthead at the end this newsletter. We will post information on the [linnellfamilyassociation.com](http://linnellfamilyassociation.com) web site.

Onward!

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# RACHEL LINNELL WYNN

## (1918 – 2023)



*Our life how short a groan a sigh  
We live and then begin to die  
But oh how great a mercy this  
That death's a portal into bliss*

How apropos the above as, with heavy hearts, we pay our respects to Rachel Linnell Wynn, who passed away on May 19, 2023 at the age of 104.

The poem may look familiar as it begins the preface for The Descendants of Robert Linnell, 2<sup>nd</sup> edition (DRL book). It is also engraved on Thankful Linnell's (d. Feb 20, 1831) gravestone. It was a chance reading of a newspaper article about the gravestone that provided the impetus for Rachel's research into our family.

A few short months ago, the December 2022 newsletter congratulated Rachel on reaching her 104<sup>th</sup> birthday, wishing her many more. We didn't really just wish them for her, we wanted them. Read the bottom line of the above poem one more time; Rachel is now in a state of eternal bliss. She has rejoined her husband, JC Wynn, never to be apart again. The heavy hearts are ours, always the case when loved ones leave us.

Let us pay our respects by celebrating her life and the immense gift she gave us all: the Linnell Family Association (LFA) and its

ever expanding connection with family. For anyone not fully aware, Rachel was unquestionably the force that developed the LFA. It was her desire to learn about the Linnell history that drove the genealogical research, publishing two editions of DRL book, establishing the LFA and our reunions. Naturally, she had help, lots of help over time, but make no mistake, Rachel was the force, our matriarch, our Grande Dame.

Of course, she was much more than her LFA persona. She was a daughter, sister, cousin, friend, aunt, niece, wife, mother, grandmother, teacher, guidance counselor, and on and on. We will miss her but never forget her. We pay our respects but not our last respects. The LFA and Rachel go hand in hand, we will write about her in future newsletters, talk about her in future reunions, remembering our sense of family came from her.



*Editor's note: This is part two of a multi-part article on the life of our ancestor Robert Linnell leading up to his departure from England. The author is our historian Jason Jon Quick.*

*Review: In the first installment we learned what is known about Robert and his background in England. In this installment, we backup and learn what is known about the family of his wife Penninah. Penninah is mother of most known Linnells in America. She was a Howse.*

### **The Howse Family and Their Connections to Robert**

John Howse was a Curate at Edgerton, Kent 1592-1599, Rector, Eastwell, Kent 1603-1630. John's Patron in 1603 was Puritan supporter, Baronet Sir Moyle Finch of Eastwell, Kent. Moyle's brother, Henry Finch (1558-1625), of Whitefriars, Canterbury, later of Boxley, Kent was the chief puritan spokesman after the suppression of Wentworth, Finch had also studied at Christ's College, Cambridge, under Laurence Chaderton.

John died in Eastwell and all his children were also born in Kent. Unfortunately, his ancestry is unknown, and some speculate he was related to the Hulse family of Cheshire and Kent. John was possibly a brother of Walter Howse, B.A. Christ's College Cambridge, Vicar of St Andrew's, Cambridge, and Rector of Little Bytham, Lincolnshire and of West Deeping, Lincolnshire. There is also a Howse family in the area of Kislingbury, Rothersthorpe, and Tiffield, Northamptonshire area that were wealthy yeoman around 1500-1600.



St. Mary's Church Eastwell, Kent

### **The Howse Family and their Connections to Robert**

John Howse b. about 1565 d. Aug 30th, 1630, Eastwell, Kent, England and his poss. unknown 1st wife had:

1. Elizabeth b. abt. 1590 pos. Cambridge, England d. aft 1630 England.
2. Hannah b. May 5th Edgerton, Kent, England d. bef. Apr 1634 London, England
3. Penninah b. April 11th, 1596, Edgerton, Kent, England d. aft. Oct. 1669 Barnstable,
  1. Plymouth Colony John Howse and his second wife Alice:
  2. John b. Jun 19th, 1603, Eastwell, Kent, England d. aft. Oct 18th 1643, Lenham, Kent, England
  3. Pricilla b. Aug 25th, 1605, Eastwell, Kent, England d. Nov 28th 1618 Eastwell, Kent, England
  4. Thomas b. Aug 21st, 1608, Eastwell, Kent, England d. Oct 15th London, England
  5. Samuel b. June 10th, 1610, Eastwell, Kent, England d. Sept 12th 1661, Barnstable, Plymouth Colony
  6. Henry b. June 21st, 1612, Eastwell, Kent, England d. aft. March 1631 London, England
  7. Hannah b. abt. 1614 prob Eastwell, Kent, England d. Sept 30th London, England
  8. Drucilla b. abt. 1616 Eastwell, Kent, England d. aft. Oct 1643 London, England.

*Article continued, part 3 in next newsletter*

# 2026 LINNELL FAMILY ASSOCIATION NATIONAL REUNION

## PART II - CHOOSING A REUNION LOCATION

*(This is the second of two articles discussing the logistics of planning the next Linnell Family Association National Reunion. In Part I - Planning for the Next Reunion and Beyond, we reported on discussions that took place at the 2022 Reunion and asked for input and help in planning for the year 2026.)*

What are some of the considerations when choosing a reunion location? No surprise here, the primary one is whether there is rich Linnell history nearby. We can't get any richer than Cape Cod, that's why we return so often. For those who like numbers, we've held 12 reunions total, with 5 on Cape Cod, or 42%. Minnesota is the only other state that has hosted more than one reunion. Shown below are the locations of past reunions, highlighted in the respective states.



*Linnell National Reunion Locations, 1988-2022*

How do we know where there is a rich amount of Linnell history? Obviously, one way is from hearing stories about northern, western, and southern movements of Linnell families, away from Cape Cod. Sadly, those great migrations happened many years ago and memories/stories have waned. Fortunately, a great way to find out about our heritage is via the LFA gathered documentation and genealogy data. Below is a picture from the April 1991 newsletter showing the general routes taken by the Linnells leaving Cape Cod, with intermediate stops.

We see the well-known routes from Cape Cod to Maine, New York, Ohio, Indiana, Michigan, Illinois, Wisconsin, Iowa, and Minnesota. The lesser known migrations moved from Pennsylvania to Kentucky, Tennessee, Virginia, and North Carolina.

Comparing the reunion and migration maps, we see the main locations from Cape Cod to Minnesota have hosted several reunions. The notable exception is Maine, rife with Linnell history, landmarks, and family sites to visit. Your Steering Committee is recommending we look at holding the 2029/2030 reunion in Maine, as we were just in the northeast last year.

No reunions have been held along the more southerly route. Tennessee, Kentucky, and North Carolina may all have a lot of Linnell history, with landmarks or former family sites to visit and learn about. With an eye towards increasing reunion attendance, maybe a slightly more centralized location, in an area we've never visited, will entice more cousins to participate.

Another consideration for choosing a location is the availability of other recreational areas or attractions. Kentucky and Tennessee are renowned for their abundance of opportunities for family fun. As is North Carolina, with widely diverse opportunities depending on whether we're near the Atlantic coast or in the Blue Ridge Mountains. For future planning, we know Maine is rich in recreational areas and attractions.



**Early Linnell Migration Routes**

Finally, we get to this article's main point – your Steering Committee needs your input! Are you interested in visiting our southern cousins? Does it matter if we went to Cape Cod in 2022 or is Maine still your location of choice? Are we remiss in not considering the Great Plains for 2026? Are you able to help coordinate the reunion?

Let us know your thoughts. Email any of the committee members, our addresses are listed on the Linnell Family Association website.

## **LFA SCHOLARSHIP FUND SEEKS DONATIONS**

Like so many organizations around our country, the Linnell Family Scholarship Fund relies on donations, big or small, to continue the award of a post-high school scholarship to a deserving Linnell family member. The impact of your donation will be felt for years going forward as one of our own will be able to more readily afford a college education that so many young people are striving to achieve, and will ensure the viability of the LFA Scholarship Fund that began decades ago under the leadership of our former Chairman Jerry Linnell. Anyone interested in donating should visit the Scholarship section of the Linnell Family Association website where you can donate via PayPal or personal check. The LFA thanks you in advance for your generosity. [Linnell Family Association \(linnellassociation.com\)](http://linnellassociation.com)

# LFA RECORDS UPDATES

Many thanks to the family members who provided important records updates. If you have any Births, Deaths and/or Marriages within your respective Family Lines, please furnish the information to Paul E. Linnell, Jr., LFA Membership/Vital Records Chairman. The following are the latest updates to our LFA Family Records since the Spring 2023 Newsletter. There were no marriages reported.

## BIRTHS

**Brevin Douglas Linnell** was born on 20 January 2020 to Bryan Douglas Linnell and Tracy Lynn Brinkley.

**Evelyn Elle Carkuff** was born on 1 October 2020 to Baylee Drew Linnell and Jared Michael Carkuff.

## DEATHS

**Rachel (Linnell) Wynn** (DRL 117, 612, 123, 21 – Pages 87, 96, and 97 of the DRL – LFA Database # 468 – *FAG 254770793*), died 19 May 2023 in Catonsville, Baltimore County, Maryland, at the age of 104. Rachel was born 11 November 1918 in Wendell, Gooding County, Idaho to Rev. Edward Payson Linnell (*FAG 11124254*) and Pearl Huston (*FAG 11124368*).

**Louis Oliver Green** (*FAG 187075152*), Husband of Eileen Ruby (Smith) Green (DRL 118, 241, 112, 65-11 – Pages 369 and 398 of the DRL – LFA Database # 112), died 9 January 2018 in Willmar, Kandiyohi County, Minnesota. Louis was born 31 December 1939 in Hennepin County, Minnesota to Albert Louis Green and Esther Puffer.

**Lemenar “Lem” Roland Linnell** (DRL 117, 622, 318, 22 – Pages 60 and 62 of the DRL – *FAG 218574883*), died 10 November 2022 in Arkansas City, Cowley County, Kansas. Lemenar was born 9 January 1923 in Providence, Providence County, Rhode Island to Walter Nathan Freeman Linnell, Sr. (DRL 117, 622, 318, 2 – Pages 55 and 60 of the DRL) and Clarene Kittlety.

**Virginia Ella (Chaplin) Linnell** (*FAG 190400987*), Wife of Lemenar Rolan Linnell, died 5 June 2018 in Arkansas City, Cowley County, Kansas. Virginia was born 27 July 1925 to Vernon W. Chaplin (*FAG 40922196*) and Lydia G. DeMott (*FAG 40922177*).

**Kate Terry (Stapleton) Mancill** (*FAG 198191113*), died 27 January 2019 in Louisiana. Kate was born 25 October 1934 in Cleveland, Bolivar County, Mississippi to Ann “Annie” Louise Linnell (*FAG 194365175*) and Huber Coulson Stapleton (*FAG 206414429*).

**Paul Clement Linnell** (DRL 117, 7-10-1, 441, 2 – Pages 136 and 144 of the ACB – LFA Database # 542 – *FAG 233437775*), died 20 October 2021. Paul was born 22 November 1929 in Berlin, Coos County, New Hampshire to Richard Thayer Linnell (DRL 117, 7-10-1, 441 – Pages 127 and 136 of the ACB – *FAG 87410589*) and Beatrice Kathleen Stewart.

**Charlotte Louise (Stapleton) Hoggatt** (*FAG 24352669*), died 12 September 2022 in Brinkley, Monroe County, Arkansas. Charlotte was born 10 June 1930 in Rosedale, Bolivar County, Mississippi to Ann “Annie” Louise Linnell (*FAG 194365175*) and Huber Coulson Stapleton (*FAG 206414429*).

**Barbara Reinl (Ferguson) Keller** (DRL 117, 612, 122, 43 – Pages 86 and 96 of the DRL – LFA Database # 168 – *FAG 246245383*), died 7 December 2022 in Miles City, Custer County, Montana. Barbara was born 4 January 1932 in Newark, Essex County, New Jersey to Anna Grace Naughtright (DRL 117, 612, 122, 4 – Pages 77 and 86 of the DRL) and William Reinl Ferguson.

**Florence Louise Daniels**, died 8 April 2023 in Hyannis, Barnstable County, Massachusetts. Florence was born 24 August 1947 in Orleans, Barnstable County, Massachusetts to Alice Louise (Linnell, Young, Daniels) Dudley (DRL 11a, b12, 62-10, 32 – Page 187 of the DRL – *FAG 149781197*) and her Second Husband, Jesse Edwin Daniels (*FAG 104929604*).

(FAG = Find A Grave ([findagrave.com](https://www.findagrave.com)). A website that provides pictures of graves with obituaries and contextual information on the buried person and location.)

## LFA MEMBERSHIP REPORT

As of this Newsletter, our LFA Membership stands at a total of 143 members. Welcome to our New/Renewal Annual Members and our New Life Member:

**Dina Lynn (Reese) Deupree** – Renewal Annual Member (LFA Database # 607). Dina is a Great Granddaughter of Laura Diana (Linnell) Campbell (DRL 118, 241, 157 – Pages 336 and 346 of the DRL.

**Richard H. White** (LFA Database # 768), Son of Dina Lynn (Reese) Deupree – New Annual Member.

**Candice Beryl (Linnell) Crosetto** (DRL 118, 241, 112, 638, 1 – Page 395 of the DRL – LFA Database # 710 – New Life Member.

## LFA REGISTRATION & DUES

The Linnell Family Association of North America is a membership organization that relies on timely payment of dues. Annual Membership Dues are \$20.00. Life Membership is a onetime dues payment of \$125.00.

To register a new member and/or pay membership dues -

Go on-line to [www.linnellassociation.com](http://www.linnellassociation.com) –

- Click on “*Membership*.” complete the on-line form and pay your dues by using Pay Pal; or,
- Click on “Membership” and print the Membership Form – Fill it out and mail it, along with your Check and/or Money Order (payable to “Linnell Family Association”) to Scott Linnell, LFA Treasurer, at the address shown on the form; **OR**,
- Complete the membership form you will find on the back of this newsletter and mail, along with payment of dues, as directed.

Annual Membership is from January 1 through December 31 of each year. If you are uncertain about the current status of your membership, please contact Paul E. Linnell, Jr., LFA Membership and Vital Records Chairman.

## THE LINNELL FAMILY ASSOCIATION

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The purposes of the Association are to promote fellowship among Linnell Family members through reunions, the publication of the Linnell Family Newsletter, and the preservation of family records.

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