

Greetings Yuille Family Members:

We, the Yuille Historical and Genealogical Preservation Corporation, are excited to announce the Yuille Family Reunion 2023 to be held Friday, July  $28^{th} - 30^{th}$ , 2023 in Lynchburg, Virginia. The theme of the reunion is "*Back To Our Roots*" (II Samuel 23:5) connecting to our ancestors, George and Phoebe Yuille, along with their fifteen children.

The Yuille Historical and Genealogical Preservation Corporation, a 501c3 non-profit organization was established in 2022 to give the Yuille Family a corporate presence. In addition, we will be able to secure grants and scholarships, not only to assist our family in locating our roots, but other families as well.

The mission of the Yuille Historical and Genealogical Preservation Corporation is as follows:

- Provide high quality services and culture for reuniting families,
- Assist families with genealogy and DNA research,
- Broaden family roots and strengthen family connections,
- Cultivate understanding and to increase pride in African American culture, and
- Educate and instill value within the family spectrum.

The Executive Board leadership of the Yuille Historical and Genealogical Preservation Corporation is Shannon-Keith Turner, President; Gregory Cooper, Vice President; Marlene Hamlette; Secretary; Darlene Johnson, Parliamentarian; and Shawna Banks, Treasurer. We are looking forward to serving the Yuille Historical and Genealogy Preservation Corporation, a 501c3, not-for-profit, along with the many board members.

We anxiously anticipate an exciting weekend July 28<sup>th</sup> through July 30<sup>th</sup>, 2023 in Lynchburg, VA. Highlights of the weekend include celebrations of family, art expression, history and religion. The Yuille family has a wonderful heritage with unlimited talents, which will be on full display over the course of the weekend. A day trip to Brookneal, VA is being planned where librations to the ancestors and communion for our souls will take place.

Pay close attention to all the attachments with this mailout. The success of the Yuille Family Reunion 2023 depends on your full participation. Registration for the reunion and hotel accommodations will commence after the  $15^{\text{th}}$  of November. You will receive detailed information prior to the  $15^{\text{th}}$ .

If you have questions do not hesitate to contact the respective committee chairs via email to have all your concerns answered.

Yours In Family,

S. Keith Turner

Gregory OS. Pooper

Shannon-Keith Turner, President

Gregory S. Cooper, Vice-President



## This is Us . . .

#### **Did You Know?**

- 1870 is the first census which enumerated African-Americans
- George Yuille was the first pastor of Spring Hill Baptist Church.
- As early as 11 years old children were separated from their parents to perform servitude duties
- A DNA Family project will provide more Yuille cousin connections from the 11 living descendent lines
- Save the Date for the 2023 Yuille Family Reunion July 28-30 in Lynchburg, VA

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Our mission is to collect and share the genealogical history of the Yuille Family beginning with the union of George and Phebe Yuille who united in marriage in 1850. Our Yuille ancestors are first found in the 1870 US Census, which was the first census that included African-Americans after Emancipation in 1865. The family lived in Roanoke Township Charlotte County, Virginia. George's occupation was a farm laborer and Phoebe was keeping home. There were six living children; Mollie (age 12), Bettie (age 10); George (age 6); America (age 4); Delia (age 2) and Fannie (age 1). The oldest daughter Lousia was not present in the home but one can assume she was a live-in domestic servant. George and Phoebe's family would increase to a total of 15 children by the 1880 census. The additional children were James, William (Willie), Charles Winston, Jenny (Virginia) Thomas Squire and Martha Ann. Lucy and a stillborn baby predeceased George and Phoebe. Our research reveals that there are eleven living descendants from their fifteen children.

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## Our Oldest Legacy . . . Lizzie Gertrude Moore Robinson

Interviewed 6.6.22 by Brenda Yuille

Lizzie is the 8th child born to Sallie Ann Yuille Moore and Alonzo Moore Sr. She was born February 14, 1931, at Red Hill, in Charlotte County, Virginia. Red Hill was the plantation owned by Patrick Henry former governor of Virginia.

Lizzie remembers that when she grew up as a child there, the property of Red Hill was owned by Lucy Gray Henry Harrison, who was the great-granddaughter of Patrick Henry.

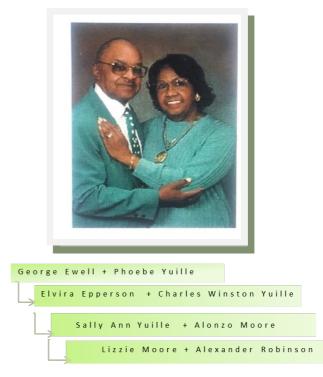
Lizzie's father, Alonzo was the caretaker of the property. She remembers he would feed the animals and show the other workers what to do. For example, he showed them how to cut the grass and trim the bushes. He would always read the Farmer's Almanac.

Lizzie recalls that Sallie Ann, her mother, took great care in raising her children. She was a leader. She made their clothing even their underclothes from feed sacks that she would wash and soften. The material was harsh but she made it beautiful. She made her own patterns for her children's clothing. Lizzie's remembers that Sallie Ann would cover the inside of their home with newspapers creating their own insulation and wallpaper.

Lizzie started school at age 7. She remembers attending Spring Hill Baptist Church when there was a woodstove and kerosene lamps. She recalls how her parents talked about the goodness of the Lord, and how they would pray and sing together. They laughed and had a lot of fun. Sallie Ann would make them apologize and hug each other if there was an argument.

Lizzie was a member of the family singing group called, "The Gospel Four" (even though there were more then Four). The members were, Ruth, Esther, Lizzie, Joseph, and Alonzo, Jr. Their Uncle Nowlin Yuille played the guitar, and their Uncle Murial Yuille was their manager.

Lizzie Married, Alexander Robinson on August 2, 1949. She was 18 and he was 23. They moved to Roanoke, VA. And

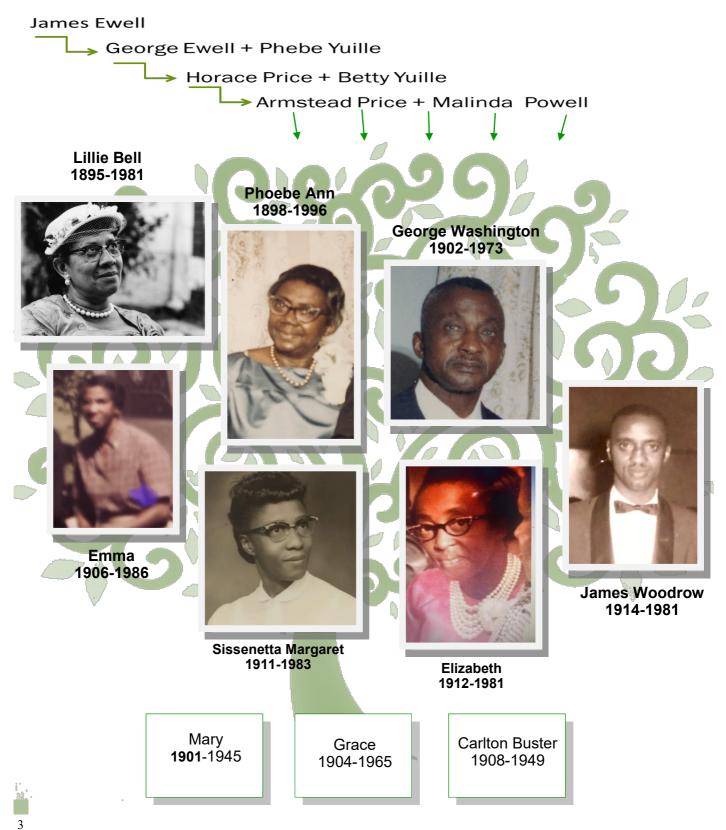


raised a family of four including Lewis, Kathy, Steve and Amanda.

Lizzie was blessed with the gift of sewing, just like her mother. She could make clothing just by seeing a style. She could also sketch and make her own patterns. Lizzie's recalls how her father Alonzo, taught her how to measure fabric and fit people. She was always learning and worked at a textile and sewing factory, where fabric and clothing were made in Salem Virginia. There she worked in the cutting room where she showed others how to make patterns.

Lizzie along with her sisters; Marcell, Vandelia, Elvira (Vinnie), and Louise performed as the Moore Sisters. When she joined Maple Street Baptist Church, she joined the choir and served a deaconess. Lizzie remembers that her grandfather Winston and grandmother Elvira Epperson Yuille, lived with them at Red Hill. When her father Alonzo bought his own land, he took Winston and Elvira with them and they lived in a house on his farm until they moved to Roanoke.

# Meet Your Family: Betty Yuille's Descendants . . .



Family History and Genealogy Committee descendants are Lisa Beal; James Clark. Gloria Price-Ketobiokou, & Lynn Price Brownlee-Williams

# Meet Your Family: Thomas Yuille's Descendants . .

James Ewell

George Ewell + Phoebe Yuille

Thomas Yuille + Pollie Hamlett

Curneal Yuille + Annie Pannell



Not Pictured: Shirley Yuille (Maynard's Twin), and Clayton Yuille (1935-2001),

i 82.-

## WHO ARE YOU-ILLE?

Are you a Yuille, Youille, Ewell, Juell, Yuill, Yule, Guile ....?

Genealogist have learned that there are many various of surnames among family members. The name Yuille is a perfect example of this phenomena. Yuille is an Scottish Anglo-Scene surname derived from the medieval word in English yule, which means Christmas. No matter how you spell it, we are the descendants of George and Phoebe Yuille.

### DID YOU KNOW . . .

The Yuille family has shaken Basketball for decades from 1995 hands with the First Black President of the United States of America!

Well, if you don't know, now you know. Meet Assistant Head Coach Steve Robinson. Steve is the: Great-great grandson of George Ewell and Phoebe Yuille. He is the great-grandson of Charles Winston and Elvira (nee Epperson) Yuille; Grandson of Launsey (Alonzo) Moore, Sr. and Sallie Ann Yuille: the son of Alexander and Lizzie Gertrude (nee Moore) Robinson. Cousin Steve or Coach Rob has been involved in College

to 2002, at the University of Tulsa and Florida State University where he served as the Head Men's Basketball Coach.

At the University of North Carolina - Chapel Hill: Coach Rob has been the Assistant Coach under the legendary Head Coach Roy Williams.

When Carolina Tar Heels won the 2009 National Championship in Basketball the team was invited to the White House. Check out the picture! This is us, our cousin Coach Rob shaking the hand of then President Barack Obama! We Yuille's Rock!

#### WHO ARE YOU-ILLE?

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President Obama shaking the hand of Coach Rob at the White House in May 2009

## SHARE YOUR FAMILY STORY ....

The Yuille Family History and Genealogy Committee encourage you to share your family stories and contribute memorabilia, artifacts and documents as we expand our knowledge of our family history. From stories your grandma told you, to interviews of cherished elders, family pictures, home-going, memorial programs, obituaries and clippings of the Yuille Family. Do you have photos of unknown relatives, let us help you identify them. For our living relatives who are making history, let's get our stories told. So dust off those memories and share those stories-our stories tell us who we are!

Mail submissions to yuilleroots2022@gmail.com



The Sankofa Bird reminds us that we must continue forward as we remember our past. At the same time we plant a seed for the future generations to come after us.

**YUILLE ROOTS** 

# Food Roots . . . "The Bread Bowl"



Great Grandma Sallie Ann Yuille Moore's Bread Bowl!

Family, Who has recipes that we can share? Andre Crouch wrote the song, "Take Me Back..."

Pictured here is the Wooden Bread Bowl that Sallie Ann Yuille Moore, the daughter of Charles Winston Yuille and Elvira Epperson, the granddaughter of George and Phoebe Yuille that was used daily. Here Sally Yuille's hands would mix the dough for her

biscuits, everyday, but on Sunday morning (so it's told by my mother) those yeast rolls would rise. She would pull just enough dough off to make each roll the perfect size and place it in the pan. Sallie Ann then covered the pan with a dish towel and would let the rolls rise while everyone was all at church. After returning from church, Sallie Ann would go into the pantry, and uncover the pan and reveal those uncooked rolls that looked like they had risen two inches or more and placed them in the oven to let them bake and brown on top! Oh how the aroma filled the house, and if the window was open, you could smell the hots rolls on the outside. My mom, Brenda Yuille said, "Those rolls were so good, you could almost make a meal out of the bread alone!" and there were always plenty to go around.

In closing, Catherine Crawley states the next time I hear the song, "Take Me Back," and see that bowl on our dining room table, it will always take me back to my roots, making me remember where I got my love of baking!

## Our Oldest Legacy . . . Lizzie Gertrude Moore Robinson (cont'd from page 2)



She said her grandfather Winston, was a godly man with a lot of wisdom. He always taught them about God's word. She recalls her grandmother Elvira being a quiet woman who stayed to herself. When Alonzo bought his land, he opened a sawmill. Lizzie's remembers when Ruth and Esther were in the Campbell County Training School, the Home Economics class would have a special field day and they would travel to the Moore farm for a great time.

Alonzo, and his sons would build rides for the day, and the students picnic in the yard enhanced by the blooming flowers.

Lizzie remembers their mother telling them to always lookout for each other and stick together. Today, Mother Lizzie is 91 Years old, a widow and the matriarch of the family.



**YUILLE ROOTS** 



## Yuille Family Artifacts . .



#### "FAMILOVE"

Sharing a childhood memory when visiting from New Jersey to his Great-Uncle George Price's log cabin home in the tobacco country of Brookneal, VA (circa 1950).

> Submitted /titled by James M. Clark, Member of Family History Committee

Share your own family picture yuilleroots2022@gmail.com

## Yuille Family DNA Project . .

So you received your DNA data and found out some new and interesting things about your lineage but it also created several questions. After reviewing your results, what are your next steps to expand family knowledge.?

Well, the Family History & Genealogy Committee is creating a Yuille Family DNA Project to expand our collective knowledge.

Using DNA to research family history is a new and exciting tool that can be especially helpful in reconnecting broken lines. DNA testing is painless, safe, and most importantly, secure and the history committee invites all those that have been tested or are interested in testing to join us in creating a Yuille Family DNA Project.

It doesn't matter who you tested with AncestryDNA (the largest DNA ancestry testing company) or another (Family Tree DNA, 23andMe, MyHeritage, etc.); we can use the data by using a number of DNA mapping tools.

To be clear, this work cannot tell us specifically where our ancestors came from, but it can help us find missing cousins that we have not found using traditional research. We are particularly interested in preserving the Y-DNA of our oldest men/fathers. Interested in hearing more? Please reach out to Lisa Beal. <u>LisaSBeal@gmail.com</u>



**YUILLE ROOTS** 

## Living Legends / Family Reunion 2023 / Living History



Lizzie Gertrude Moore Robinson	2/14	91 years
Ollie Mae Yuille-Smith	9/04	91 years
Alexander Yuille	9/27	90 years



July 28-30, 2023 Lynchburg, VA Info: Marlene Hamlette

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Congratulations to Malia Yuille who graduated from Accelerated Dental Assisting Academy on July 23, 2022, Lynchburg, VA. Malia is the daughter of **Rodney and Molly Yuille**, and granddaughter of **Sylvia Yuille**.

Congratulations to Megan A. Harris for making the cover of Atlanta Style Wedding Magazine. The September/October 2022 issue, Megan is the daughter of **Rodney and Molly Yuille**, and granddaughter of **Sylvia Yuille**.



## 2023 Yuille Family Reunion

### Lynchburg, VA

July 28<sup>th</sup> - 30<sup>th</sup>, 2023

### **CONTACT INFORMATION**

	Name: First/Last	Maiden Name	Address	City/State/Zip	Telephone	<u>Click here</u> to complete Family Lineage Chart
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### **Reunion Program Calendar**

FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
July 28.2023	July 29, 2023	July 30, 2023
Registration: 9:00 am – 3:00 pm	Registration: 9:00 am - 12:00 pm	Continental breakfast 8:00 am
Meet and Greet 6:00 pm	Tour of Red Hill, VA 9:00 am – until	Sunday Morning Worship 9:00 am – 10:30 am
	Come join the family as we celebrate our ancestors visiting Red Hill, VA and the slave cemetery concluding with congregating at Spring Hill Baptist Church (Brookneal, VA).	
Buffet Dinner 7:00 pm	Reception 6:00 pm	Closing Official closing of the 2023 Yuille Reunion
Family Social Hour Live entertainment and	Banquet Dinner 7:00 pm (Dress to Impress)	
dancing	Enjoy the music and arts presentation and a special guest artist!	

**Family Choir:** *Calling all singers and musicians!* Come join us on Sunday, July 30, 2023 as we sing praises to our God and Father in a choir composed of family members. A special call rehearsal will be held on Saturday, July 29, 2023. Details will be provided at arrival. Minister Dean Robinson will be share song selections for the morning worship service. All are welcome!!!!

Accomplishments and Celebrations: If you have accomplishments and/or celebrations that you would like to share with the family please send notifications and pictures to: <u>SundayCelebration.YFR@email.com</u>. We want to share your joy with the family (i.e., marriages, births, birthdays, graduations, promotions, publications, etc.). Your accomplishment / celebration will be featured in the souvenir booklet for the reunion and/or special video presentation on Saturday night. Our desire is that everyone will be acknowledged, so don't wait to pass that information along to the Souvenir Booklet Committee, Chair James "Rusty" Spencer at <u>SouvenirJournal.YFR@gmail.com</u>.

**Venue of 2023 Reunion:** Virginian Hotel 712 Church Street Lynchburg, VA 24504: Hotel Registration information will be forthcoming in the November along with room rates.



Dear Family/Business/Community Member, the Yuille Family will hold it's Family Reunion "Back to Our Roots" from July 28 – July 30, 2023, in Lynchburg, Virginia.

We will celebrate our family legacy, acknowledge family accomplishments, and support Lynchburg businesses and community programs.

By placing an ad in our souvenir journal, your business/organization will benefit from exposure at our event and support the mission of the Yuille Historical and Genealogy Preservation Corporation, Inc.

Please refer to the attached Journal Ad Form to view your options.

Please email your camera-ready art file for advertisement to yuillefoundationjournalads@gmail.com.

The Souvenir Booklet Ad Form/payment should be mailed to: Yuille Historical and Genealogy Preservation Corporation, Inc. ATTN: Souvenir Booklet P. O. Box 20432 Roanoke, VA 24018

For more information, please email \_\_\_\_\_\_ or contact James Spencer by email at jamesspencer777@aol.com or by phone at (410) 666-9221.

Thank you in advance for your willingness to financially support the mission and work of the Yuille Historical and Genealogy Preservation Corporation, Inc.

Working together can make a difference!

Sincerely yours,

Souvenir Booklet Committee

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All ads can be in color and must be sent in ad ready; photos must be high quality resolution (.jpg preferred or High-Resolution .pdfs). There will be a \$75 set-up charge to make the ad ready. Please contact: If you want to create your own ad visit Adobe Express at Visme applications to make your electronic submission.

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### Submitting your ads:

Ads must be submitted electronically by **Monday, May 15, 2023** to: email@gmail.com

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