

Eustace Families Post

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Remembering
Donald D. Eustice (1923-1976)
Sheriff of Waseca County, Minnesota
40th Anniversary of his death

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The Eustace Families Association was formed in 1976 with the objectives of:

Preserving for posterity the considerable knowledge now held in the histories of families originating in Flanders and the British Isles who bear the name "Eustace" or spelling variants thereof and of their descendants throughout the world.

Encouraging and assisting namesakes to research the story of their immediate and extended families and to disseminate the knowledge gained to those interested.

Developing and extending friendship and understanding between namesakes and welcoming visitors from overseas.

The Eustace Families Association was formed in the United Kingdom by the late Donald W. Eustace of Chiswick (London), and other family members. Following the death of Donald Eustace in 1993, the Eustace Families Association took a brief hiatus. In 1995, David Eustace of Cheltenham, Gloucestershire, England and Ronald Eustice of Savage, Minnesota, USA began to correspond via e-mail and the Eustace Families Association was resurrected. Eustace Families Musters (Reunions) have been held in 1979 (Pyrton), 1981 (Bledlow), 1983 (Watlington), 1985 (Lambeth) and 1999 (Watlington). The Great Eustace Gathering was held at Ballymore Eustace, Ireland in 2009.

The Eustice family of Waseca County, Minnesota has had well-attended family gatherings on numerous occasions. In 2011 Eustice families of New Jersey held a gathering with over 100 in attendance.

Beginning in 2006, the Eustace Families Association began gathering Y-chromosome DNA data on male namesakes of various origins. To date more than 165 namesakes have submitted DNA samples. DNA profiles of 16 to 67 markers have been compared. Contact Ronald Eustice to participate in the program.

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From The Editor's Desk



Ronald F. & Margaret Eustice

In July, friends asked me to join them on a trip to New England and Eastern Canada. We travelled over 5,000 miles for 16 days. Besides New England, we saw the Canadian Maritimes, Quebec and southern Ontario. It was a delightful journey. One of the highlights was visiting with Noel and Shirley Eustace in Moncton, New Brunswick. Noel has been a member of the Eustace Families Association for a number of years. His roots go back to Newfoundland and eventually to Ireland. Noel shared an impressive family tree with me during our visit. You can learn more about Noel and Shirley and their family on pages 21 and 22 of this issue.

While in Maine, I stopped in the village of Eustis. One of the founders of Eustis was Charles Lyman Eustis who was born in 1802. In 1823, along with others, he purchased the north half of Township No. 1, 4th Range on Dead River in western Maine not far from the Canadian border. A small town resulted and was named Eustis. You can learn more on page 25.

On our return from Minnesota to Tucson, we spent a couple of hours at Eustis, Nebraska. The town was named after Percy Sprague Eustis, a railroad agent who was responsible for bringing the railroad to the town. It was incorporated as a village in 1888. See pages 24-24 for pictures of "The Worst Capitol of Nebraska."

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During a visit to Minneapolis in July, Steve Eustis of San Angelo, Texas suggested that I join him for a few days in Boston in mid September. Steve is a commercial real estate investor and belongs to an investment group that holds quarterly meetings in various parts of the US. The September meeting was in Vermont which afforded us the opportunity to tour historic places in Boston. Steve has traced his family to Eustis ancestors in Boston as well as Eustaces in Virginia. In fact, he connects to the Virginia Eustace branch twice. Steve has successfully located the graves of nearly all of his direct paternal line through Findagrave.com. The headstone of Steve's ancestor Captain Thomas Eustis (1735-1807) was badly broken. Steve arranged to have the headstone repaired by Ivan Meijer, a preservationist who has worked on many historic places including the Alamo. (See page 33). Our next issue will feature important findings during our trip to Boston. The Eustis family of Boston were part of American history from the Colonial days to the present. They rubbed shoulders with the founding fathers of the US.

About the Cover:

Forty years ago in September, the peaceful southern Minnesota town of Waseca (population 19,000) was shaken by a tragedy that will never be forgotten.

Sheriff Donald Eustice was shot and killed on a quiet Saturday morning while serving papers on a mentally disturbed man. Don Eustice was one of the most respected peace officers in the state of Minnesota.

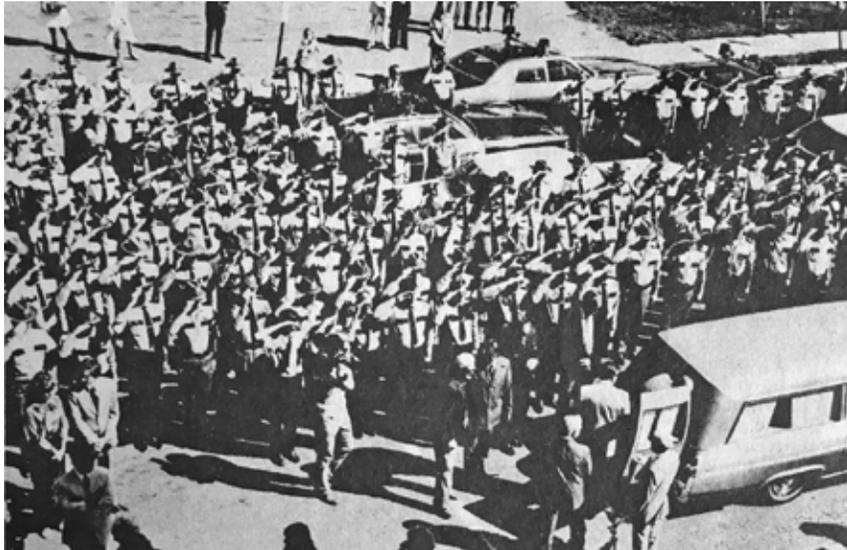
He was respected not only by general public but also by many of those whom he apprehended.

His legacy lives on through scholarships and other activities designed to help young people improve their lives.

This issue is devoted to the memory of Sheriff Don Eustice.

Four decades later, editor remembers Sheriff Don Eustice, the murder and the biggest story of the newspaperman's career

By TOM WEST Special to the County News (Published September 2, 2016)



Over 400 Minnesota law enforcement officers were present at the funeral of Sheriff Don Eustice on September 6, 1976.

Forty years ago this weekend, I broke the biggest story of my newspaper career. Every Labor Day since, I think of that tragedy.

I was the editor of the Waseca Daily Journal. I didn't have a police scanner at home, so I slept with my window open a crack to listen for sirens. If I heard only one siren, I figured it was a medical and ignored it. If I heard two sirens, however, then I checked it out, in case it was a fire or a major accident.

Shortly after daybreak that Saturday before Labor Day, I heard one siren, so I went back to sleep. Two hours later, I was about to go to the office to catch up on some paperwork. As I walked out the door, I ran into my mailman, Max Hopkins. He told me he had just heard a rumor a few minutes before that the sheriff had been shot.

I was stunned, and then panicked because I didn't know how I would verify it, since all news from the sheriff's department had to come from the sheriff himself.

My pulse raced above 100, but I thought for a second, and then called the ambulance driver, Mark Neste, and asked him if the information were true. He said the sheriff had been shot. I asked him if he was alive or dead. Mark hesitated, then finally said, "Tom, he has a hole in him the size of a softball."

I had heard only one siren because law enforcement was already on the scene.

I raced to the office and somewhat stupidly, since I didn't have any more detail than that, I called the Associated Press. When I told the editor on duty, he said words I can't repeat. Then he posted my message to the world that Waseca County Sheriff Donald Eustice had been killed.

Eustice, 47, and his chief deputy, Mert Schwarz, had gone to a farm home at the request of the man's family. The farmer, Kenneth Jewison, who had a history of mental illness, had been acting strangely. Their task was to take him in for a mental evaluation.

They pulled in the farm yard and got out of the car and approached the front porch. The farmer was standing just inside the screen door. The sheriff said something to the effect, "Hi, how're you doin'?"

And with that, Jewison kicked open the door and blasted him with a shotgun at a range of 15-20 feet.

I learned all that shortly afterward. After calling the AP, I went over to the sheriff's office. Being Saturday, only the dispatcher was there, and when I walked in, before I even said anything, he said, "They're over at the county attorney's office."

At that time, the county attorney was a part-time position, and then-County Attorney Bill Patton worked out of his private office downtown. I went over there, and walked in. A deputy, Ed Mosher, was standing by the door and a man and a woman were sitting in the waiting room. The deputy told me to have a chair. I could hear voices in the background. Patton was taking a deposition from Schwarz.

I sat there for about 45 minutes next to the woman. The man was across from us and appeared to be sleeping. Suddenly he stirred, and then stood up. The deputy yelled at him, "You sit down, you sit down."

And the man said, "You put murderers in jail, don't you? Well, let's go."

I had been sitting by the murderer and his wife. By the time I got back to the office after interviewing the chief deputy and county attorney, the whole town was crawling with big city reporters. I rode with several of them out to the crime scene, which wasn't taped off yet. In fact, no one was around. We stared at the sheriff's blood on the ground.

Don Eustice Remembered Forty Years Later

Waseca Residents believed the Sheriff was invincible

I thought he was invincible. Sheriff Eustice was one of those larger than life individuals, the likes of which one meets only a few times in life. A couple of times he took me along on high-speed rides to accidents and once to corral a defendant who, in the middle of his trial, had run from the courthouse in Mankato. The sheriff often called me to take photos for him at the scene of an accident. Another time, he threatened to put me in jail if I wrote anything about how he himself had been detained in another county for trying to help a family deprogram their child, who had become involved in a religious cult. I laughed and told him the story was already on the AP, so it would be best if he told his side of the story. (The charges were dropped after an investigation and an acquittal by a Grand Jury.)

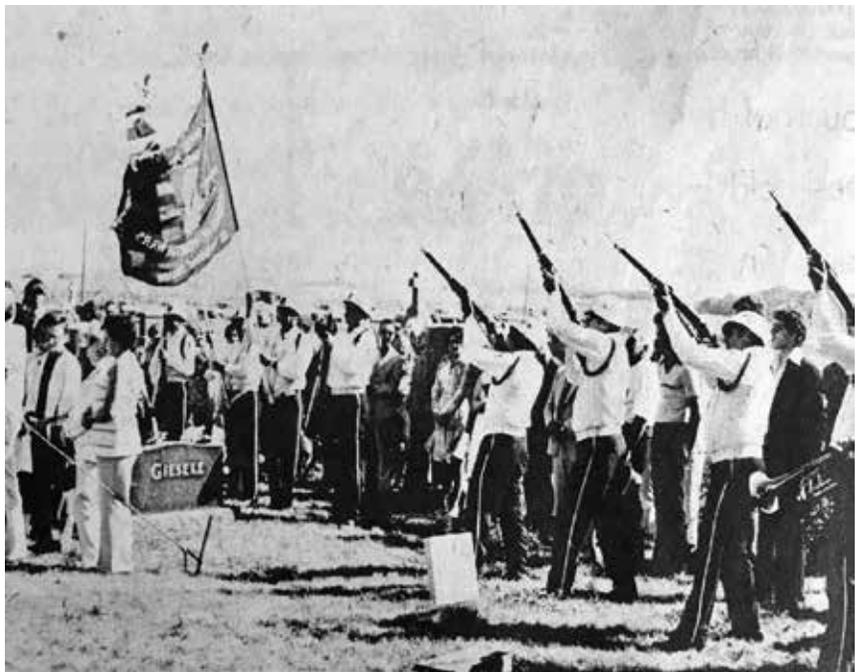
The paper was not scheduled to print on Labor Day, but we put out a special edition, the only one I've ever done. The funeral was held that morning. At the funeral mass at Sacred Heart Church, I sat on the stairs to the balcony, the only seat left. I confess there were tear drops on my notepad. The priest used as his text, "Death may come like a thief in the night."

The sheriff was buried in a small country churchyard, St. Jarlath's, in Iosco Township. There were hundreds of cop cars in Waseca that morning, and standing on the cemetery hilltop, you could see them stretching out for miles, all with their lights flashing.

I worried for some time that I would be called to testify at Jewison's trial, but he never saw a courtroom. He lived the rest of his days in mental institutions, incompetent to stand trial.



The casket carrying the body of Waseca County, Minnesota Sheriff Don Eustice is carried up the stairs of Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Waseca for his September 6, 1976 funeral. Sheriff Eustice, remembered for his caring nature and community-mindedness was shot and killed two days previous.



The VFW Drill Team gave a twenty-one gun salute at the burial of Sheriff Don Eustice in St. Jarlath's Cemetery, Iosco Township in rural Waseca County.

These days, some people are trying to give law enforcement a bad rap. They forget about all the good that cops do that doesn't make the news. They forget about people like Sheriff Eustice, who was blown away for doing nothing more than saying hello. But I don't. I remember what happened on September 4, 1976 like it was yesterday.

Source: http://www.southernminn.com/waseca_county_news/news/article_f5b2e765-1c89-57e1-ad53-8db281d9b60a.html

IN REMEMBRANCE

The Waseca Daily Journal remembered Waseca County Sheriff Don Eustice in a Sept. 7, 1976 editorial.

Don Eustice was loved and respected by almost everyone he knew. Even many of those whom he had to bring to justice knew him as a fair man.

Don was a leader of overwhelmingly dynamic force. In his numerous civic activities, he was not only a member of an organization, but more often that not he was the primary driving force who either got the organization off the ground or breathed new life into it.

In particular, he was a master at dealing with young people. Many upstanding members of the community today have Don to thank for keeping them or returning them to the straight and narrow path. He felt every youngster, no matter what his circumstances, deserved an even break to make it in this world.

Now he is gone, the victim of an apparently senseless act.

One strives to find meaning in this tragic event.

Don spent his life protecting us not only from each other, but from ourselves. He was a living example for all of us to follow. In serving, he made the ultimate sacrifice — he gave his life.

The bell tolls for all of us, asking that this man who serves us shall not have died in vain. He was involved in mankind, and his death should serve as a cue to all of us to live life as he did, to the fullest.



Sacred Heart Church in Waseca was filled to capacity for Sheriff Don Eustice's funeral on September 6, 1976.

Remembering my friend Sheriff Don Eustice

by William B. Patton, former Waseca, Minnesota County Attorney

Donald Dean Eustice was born September 24, 1928 on a farm north of Elysian, Minnesota. He was the son of Thomas Eustice and Ethel Haley. When he was about five years of age, the family moved to Janesville, Minnesota. Don had one brother and four sisters (one sister was his twin). Don's life changed one morning in July of 1942 when his mother died unexpectedly during the night from a massive heart attack. The children were separated - each going to live with a relative. Don came to Waseca to live with an aunt and her husband, who farmed just west of Waseca.

In 1946, Don joined the U.S. Navy and was stationed in San Diego. His ship, the U.S. Antietam, made the "goodwill tour" following World War II, stopping at ports in Hawaii, Australia, Japan and Singapore. Don was discharged in July of 1948 and he returned to Waseca where he was employed at various jobs. He married Esther Clayton and they were the parents of nine children: Douglas R., Gary D., Rebecca, Scott D., Bradley M., Todd W., Margaret, Barry J., and Barbara.

In March of 1952, Don was interviewed by the Waseca City Council for a position with the Waseca Police Department. He was employed by the City of Waseca for nearly a year when Sheriff Happy Lowe and his deputy Harvey Domy announced that they were retiring. Don applied for the job as deputy and Stanley Bailey, a Janesville policeman, applied for sheriff - and both were accepted by the County Commissioners. The two worked together until 1966, when Stan decided to retire. Don filed for sheriff in 1966 and was elected. He took office on January 1, 1967 as Sheriff of Waseca County - a position he held until September of 1976, having been re-elected in 1970 and again in 1974.

In 1963, Don was named Waseca's Outstanding Young Man because of his work with the youth. The Waseca Herald on March 8, 1963, reporting on this award, said "apparently believing that the prevention of delinquency is better than curing it, the deputy sheriff is active in the affairs of the Teen Canteen which he heads and serves as Cubmaster. He is a member of the Waseca Fire Department, Knights of Columbus, and the VFW."

The Mankato Free Press ran a similar story on March 8, 1963 with an article entitled "He Got His Experience at Home". "Don Eustice has had ample op-

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portunity to gain experience working with youth as he has seven children of his own". (Two more children were born later.) Don became a Rotarian in September 1963. In 1973 he became president of the organization. In the fall of 1967, Don became the first president of the Bluejay Booster Club - a club he helped organize. Don also was the chairman of the Waseca Sleigh and Cutter Festival in 1969.

In 1968, Don became president of the Boys Ranch in Austin. The "Eustice Center" (a school and gym at the ranch) was named in recognition of his efforts to make the program of rehabilitation for youths before they got into more serious trouble.

Don accepted the Governor's Safety Award from Minnesota Governor Harold LeVander in 1970 for "Meritorious Achievement in recognition of outstanding accident prevention performance in traffic safety law enforcement." It was also in 1970 that Don organized a sheriff's posse and sometime later, a snowmobile posse.

The Waseca Journal ran an article in 1971 that said "Don instigated a drug emphasis week in the area schools. The program received more favorable support than any program of its kind in the area. A team of three former drug addicts met with the students in New Richland, Janesville, Waldorf, Southern School of Agriculture as well as the Waseca Central students. The main speaker was William Cahn, District Attorney of Nassau County, New York, who also had a program in the evening for adults.

Don belonged to the Southern Minnesota Peace and Police Officers Association - often hosting the meetings. He was a member of the Minnesota Sheriff's Association, holding many offices in the organization as well as being elected as President in 1973, a position he held for a couple of years. As president of the Minnesota Sheriff's

Association, Don expressed his hopes to be able to set up a program of in-service training and continued education for all sheriffs and deputies in Minnesota that would then establish them as the best trained, best educated sheriffs.

The Invitational Wrestling Tournament started in December 1974 with Don being instrumental in promoting it. Following Don's death, the name of the tourney was changed to the Don Eustice Memorial Wrestling Tournament. The tournament was discontinued in 2006.

Sheriff Pat Smith Sr. of LeSueur County and Don started a boy's group home in Waseca in 1975 to serve both counties for wayward boys. The grant that helped to get the Waseca-LeSueur Boys Group Home established was applied for by Don Eustice. The home was located on the corner of 3rd Street and 2nd Avenue NE, Waseca. Besides the organization listed above, Don was a member of the Sportsman Club in Janesville, the Eagles, worked on Region 9 Criminal Justice Advisory Committee, worked with the schools to have a home-school counselor, applied for grants to bring in drug agents for the quad counties, and started the Operation Identification for Waseca County.

It was through Don's efforts working with Senator Hubert Humphrey that Waseca County was able to receive their first police radios. When Waseca County needed an ambulance service, Don found a competent person to fill the job. Many Waseca County youngsters were aboard the school buses that took them to the Minnesota Twins Knot-Hole baseball games (with soda pop and snacks available during the game), all arranged by Don. Teenagers were entertained most every Saturday night (and every night during the county fair) with Teen Canteen dances held in a building at the fairgrounds. The bands were booked by Don and chaperoned by Don and his friends.

Throughout Don's adult life, he was known by many for his support and guidance. He was a mentor, an advisor, a sounding board, and he had an "Irish" sense of humor. He gave generously of his time, his home was always open for those seeking shelter, and helped those in need with limited financial support. Because of his involvement in so many areas, Don was often asked to be a guest speaker at church functions, women's groups, civic organizations and at schools throughout the county.

On September 4th, 1976, Don went with a deputy to serve a commitment paper on a mentally-ill man in rural Waseca County. The man had known Don for a long time - in fact, he had brought garden produce to the jail the previous week. When Don and the deputy arrived at the farmhouse, they called to this man to come outside - he opened the door, raised up his shotgun and shot Don in the chest.

This is about the death of my friend, Don Eustice. Don Eustice felt every man could be his friend and by his own actions in the face of all kinds of opposition I have seen him quiet a drunk, quell a fighter, soothe a distraught individual, almost always by making friends with him. This time Don knew he could help his friend and he went forth without question. But this last time it didn't work. Don literally laid down his life upon his cardinal belief that every man could and would be his friend - it was nothing foolhardy - it had always worked - except this time."

Donald D. Eustice, Sheriff

1928-1976

Donald Dean Eustice, son of Thomas Eustice and Ethel Haley was born September 24, 1928 at Waterville, LeSueur County, Minnesota. He married Esther, daughter of Ray Daniel Clayton and Jessie Alma McGrath on November 12, 1948 at Sacred Heart Church in Waseca.

Donald D. Eustice attended Janesville and Waseca Public Schools, and graduated from Waseca High School in 1946. He served in the United States Navy from 1946 to 1948.

He spent most of his adult life in law enforcement, serving on the Waseca Police Department one year before joining the Waseca County Sheriff's Department in 1953. In 1966, Don Eustice was elected Waseca County Sheriff and eventually was re-elected for two additional terms in 1970 and 1974. In 1968 he was elected president of the Minnesota Sheriff's Boys Ranch where he served two terms.

In 1970 he organized a sheriff's posse. Sometime later, he started the snowmobile posse. In 1973, Don was elected president of the Minnesota Sheriff's Association. He served as President, of the Minnesota Sheriff's Association, President of the Waseca Rotary Club, President of the Waseca Blue Jays Booster's Association, Pack Master of the local Cub Scouts and Explorer Scout Leader. Don Eustice became a legend in his lifetime. Local people considered him invincible.

On September 4, 1976 around 9:00 a.m., Sheriff Donald Eustice and Chief Deputy Mert Schwarz went to serve papers at the Kenneth Jewison farm, eight miles north of Waseca in Iosco Township. Normally one person served papers, however because they were not busy, Deputy Schwarz rode with Sheriff Eustice.

Eustice was in plain clothes and unarmed and Schwarz was in uniform

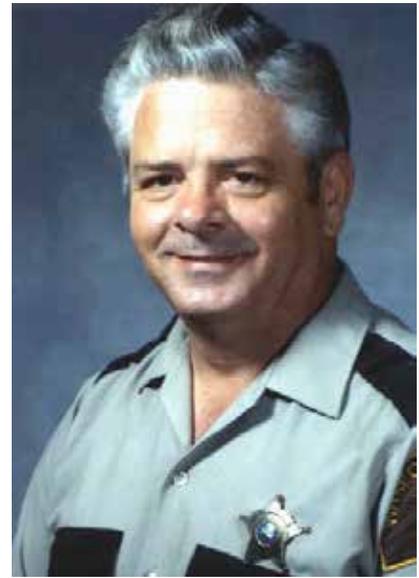
and armed. As they approached the house, they saw Jewison, 64, standing behind the screen door. They both acknowledged him saying "Hi Kenny." Jewison then came outside, aiming a 12-gauge double barreled shotgun at them and fired from about 12 feet away, hitting Eustice in the right side of his chest. Eustice went down and never moved.

Schwarz ordered Jewison to put down the gun but Jewison went into the house. Schwarz ordered Jewison to surrender a second time. Jewison threw out the gun and said, "I give up." Schwarz then took Jewison into custody and placed him in the squad and radioed for help. Sheriff Eustice had succumbed to his injuries.

Kenneth Jewison was indicted on first-degree murder by a grand jury four days after the murder. He was however, found incompetent to stand trial. He was to remain in a closed ward at St. Peter (Minnesota) State Hospital where he had been since November 19, 1976, and his psychiatric evaluation was to be sealed.

Sheriff Eustice was 52 years old. He served in the U.S. Navy from 1946—1948. He had been in law enforcement since 1952. He started with the Waseca Police Department, then went onto the sheriff's office in 1953. In 1963, Donald was selected as the Waseca Jaycees Outstanding Young Man of the Year by the Waseca Jaycees. He was a member of the Knight of Columbus, the Janesville Sportsman's Club, the Minnesota Police and Peace Officer's Association, the Veterans of Foreign Wars and the Fraternal Order of Eagles. Don started Teen Canteen and was also was a member of the Waseca Fire Department.

One of his proudest accomplishments was the organization of Sheriff's Boys Ranch at Austin, Minnesota. He was a prime mover in this organization



Sheriff Don Eustice

whose purpose is to provide boys and young men whose lives have lacked direction with guidance and leadership skills Donald served as president of the ranch and a gymnasium is named in his honor.

Don was instrumental in starting the Invitation Wrestling Tournament in Waseca in 1974. Following his death, the name was changed to the Eustice Memorial Wrestling Tournament.

Since Don's death, the Eustice Community Service Award is presented annually to an individual who has served the community. This is presented by the Chamber of Commerce to an individual who has been active in a number and variety of areas, and has served as a leader and assumed responsibility for that service. A scholarship, "Donald D. Eustice Memorial Scholarship Fund" is given to a deserving student/s in Waseca County who has been accepted to a college of their choice to pursue a career in law enforcement.

Don was survived by his wife, Esther, and nine children, Doug, Gary, Becky, Scott, Brad, Todd, Peggy, Barry and Barbara. He was buried in St. Jarlath's Cemetery in rural Waseca County.

Sheriff Don Eustice's Legacy

By Gary Eustice

We are here to celebrate my father's legacy and pay respect to his memory. He died forty years ago and I have now lived nearly twenty years longer than he was allowed. Time is fleeting and not always kind. We are here in part to mourn, but that would be averse to the notion of who my father was. He was proud of his Irish ancestry. Like the Irish he loved to talk, found humor in adversity and believed in family above all else. His humor was boundless, his speech borderless and his family was large. In his day it was said there were 87 Minnesota counties, and Minnesota had 86 county sheriffs and one Sheriff at large. He was known for his compassion which took him beyond the boundaries of conventional policing. He was a teacher, a counselor, a lawyer, a judge. He allowed his heart to rule his work.

In these days where we honor people for wealth, power and celebrity, he followed none of those paths. His legacy is not glitzy but humble. He was and still is known for his desire to see that no one suffered unnecessarily.

On this day in which we mark his death. It is said that every person dies three times. We die for the first time when the spirit of life leaves our lips. We die a second time when our families disperse from our memorials, and we die for the last time, when no one any longer mentions our name. With that silence we evaporate from memory as if we never existed.

My father is not dead. He legacy lives. Fifteen years ago, twenty-five years after his death,

A few years ago, I was attending a meeting in Virginia Minnesota. A native woman kept staring at me as if we were acquaintances. Two days later I was in my office. The front desk called and said a woman in crisis needed to see me immediately. I went to meet her. The native woman was waiting. She shared a story of pain and shame. She had been taken from her family after having been sexually abused. She was placed in a foster home in Waseca and was being sexually abused in her new home. She told many but no one would believe her. She ran away several times but she recalled my father always found her. Her story then morphed into spending time in jail. Each time she was caught my father put this eight-year-old in jail. I was appalled but before I could apologize she shared that she found great comfort there and it was the only time she spent in Waseca that she felt safe. She shared that my mom would cook special meals for her and my dad would read to her. She escaped her purgatory when she blurted out to a judge that she was being abused. He too ignored her pleas. She escaped when sitting in the social services office one day she said my dad came in and he yelled a lot. She was quickly reunited with her family. She was sitting before me this day, because in the prior meeting she recognized in my



Don Eustice as a Deputy Sheriff (About 1964)

face, my father. She sought out my assistance only because she trusted my father and she bestowed his trust upon me. Following my mother's funeral, I stopped at a local restaurant. When I paid with a credit card the waitress asked if my father had been the sheriff. Before I could reply she began to cry. Her story was familiar. A child lost and confused, unsure who to turn to. She was fourteen and feeling her life had no meaning. Her friends encouraged her to call the sheriff. She called him on the phone several times. He was always patient and kind. She recalled getting through the worst years of her life because she could call her 911, the Sheriff, my father.

One year ago I began working with a native family in their home. Over the years they had adopted 12 terribly abused and traumatized children. I spent half a day with them on my first visit. The adoptive mom walked me to my car. I confessed I didn't know if I could help, but I would do my best. "You will help. You are like your father and he was a good man." My father's name is honored on the reservation and I benefit from his legacy.

So you see he is not dead. His compassion and strength still live. When you feel the wind brush past your shoulder that is my father pushing past to help someone in need. Only follow with an open mind. When you see the branches in the trees waving to you, that is my father beckoning you to assist all those in need. Go with an open heart. When you are silent, you will hear his voice upon the wind encouraging you to find your empathy and compassion. Reach out your hand to someone who has fallen. Listen to someone unheard. Give to someone in need. If each of us lives a kinder, gentler life, then his legacy continues and he will never die.

Gary Eustice, son of Don and Esther Eustice, presented the eulogy written above at the 40th anniversary commemorative event held in honor of his father at Waseca, Minnesota on September 4, 2016.

THE ANCESTORS OF DONALD DEAN EUSTICE

GENERATION I

James Eustace/Eustis/Eustice was born about 1797 in County Longford, Ireland. His siblings included Bridget, John and Patrick Eustace. Ann, William and Thomas Eustace were possible siblings as well. James Eustace married Bridget Kennedy on February 8, 1829 at Templemichael Parish (Longford). Witnesses at the marriage were James McGee and Catherine Dowd, Templemichael. Bridget Kennedy Eustace died during the Irish Famine at Ballymahon (Shrulle Parish), County Longford on September 23, 1848 at Laragh Townland near Ballymahon. James Eustace left Ireland in 1849 and emigrated to the United States. He departed through Liverpool on board the Fides, a 698 ton ship and arrived at the port of Boston on October 31, 1849. James Eustis died at the age of 58 when he was crushed by a falling tree at a chopping bee on March 27, 1855, at Mapleton, Waukesha, Wisconsin. His body was buried in St. Catherine's Cemetery, Mapleton.

GENERATION II

John Eustace/Eustis/Eustice was baptized January 6, 1833 in the Parish of Shrulle (Ballymahon), County Longford, Ireland. John Eustace/Eustice was baptized in Shrulle Parish (Ballymahon) County Longford, Ireland on January 4, 1833. The baptismal sponsors were Sponsors were Patrick Kelly and Catherine Kennedy. John reached adolescence in Ireland and emigrated to the USA in 1850. He departed from Limerick on board the Polly together with his cousins Bridget and Thomas (children of Patrick Eustace) and arrived at the port of New York on May 18, 1850. His name is listed as Daniel Eustace on the ship's manifest. John lived for a few years with his Aunt Bridget Eustace Carroll (Carle) in Schuylerville, Saratoga County, New York before going to Mapleton, Wisconsin in about 1853. He married Annie Jewison, daughter of Christopher Jewison and Mary White in St. Catherine's Roman Catholic Church at Mapleton, (Waukesha County), Wisconsin on March 19, 1863. Soon after the marriage John and Annie Eustice headed to Marquette in Michigan's Upper Peninsula, where John worked in the mines. In late 1868 or early 1869, John and Ann loaded Mary, age 4 and James, less than 2, into a wagon and headed west toward a place called Okamon on the shores of Lake Elysian near Janesville, Minn.

Children of John Eustice and Annie Jewison:

- 1.) **Mary Agnes Eustice** was born October 24, 1865, Mapleton, Waukesha County, Wisconsin and died May 20, 1934 at Faribault, Minnesota. She married **Dennis Hogan**, October 26, 1885 at St. Ann's Catholic Church, Janesville, Waseca County, Minnesota.
- 2.) **James Henry Eustice** was born October 8, 1867 in Marquette, Michigan, and died October 29, 1950 in Janesville. James Eustice married **Catherine Hogan**, daughter of Andrew Hogan and Mary Handerhan at St. Ann's Catholic Church in Janesville.
- 3.) **John Daniel Eustice** was born October 1, 1869, Janesville. He died March 10, 1963 at Farmington, Michigan. John Eustice married **Florence Mae Sill**, April 13, 1898 at St. Ann's Catholic Church, Janesville.
- 4.) **Christopher Eustice** was born September 22, 1872 at Janesville and died January 29, 1951 at Faribault, Minnesota. He married **Winnifred Ford** on June 1, 1903 at St. Ann's Catholic Church, Janesville.
- 5.) **Thomas Eustice** was born September 25, 1874 at Janesville and died June 15, 1966 at Janesville. He married **Ellen "Nellie" Cahill** at Janesville on November 20, 1900.
- 6.) **William Frederick Eustice** was born October 10, 1876 at Janesville, and died March 7, 1952. He married **Mary Wheelock** at Waseca on August 17, 1898 at Waseca.
- 7.) **George Eustice** was born May 11, 1882 at Janesville and died October 2, 1949 at Janesville. He married **Bertha Sill** on September 1, 1903 at St. Ann's Catholic Church, Janesville.

GENERATION III

Thomas Henry Eustice was born September 25, 1874 in Janesville Township, Waseca County, Minnesota; he married **Ellen "Nellie" Cahill** (*John Cahill and Mary Cavanaugh*) November 20, 1900 at St. Ann's Catholic Church, Janesville, Minnesota. Ellen "Nellie" Cahill was born at Janesville on August 6, 1877 in a log cabin at his parents farm northeast of Janesville near the settlement then known as Okaman.

Tom Eustice spent all but nine years of his 92-year lifetime living on the original farm that John and Annie (Jewison) Eustice purchased in 1869. One of those years away from the farm was spent at Bertha in Central Minnesota where he worked as a buttermaker. He also worked off the farm as Janesville's first butter maker for about eight years.

THE ANCESTORS OF DONALD DEAN EUSTICE

Tom Eustice operated the original 80 acre farm where he was raised plus another 80 purchased later, until he retired in 1941, when his son Henry and his wife Anastasia took over. A portion of the farm remained in the Eustice family in 2001.

During his active years, Tom Eustice took considerable interest in town and community affairs. He served as manager of the Janesville Creamery for many years and was a long time member of the creamery board. Tom Eustice served 46 years on the Janesville Town Board and took considerable pride in pointing out that he helped build all the township roads in Janesville Township. He spent countless hours actually working on construction and seldom charged for his time or efforts. It is said that he was much sought after following Sunday Mass by local citizens wanting to discuss pot holes that needed to be filled and other repairs that needed to be done on nearby roads. Tom could easily be spotted after Mass in the crowd proudly wearing a light-colored hat.

He was first elected to the Janesville Town Board in 1922 when he was 47, and served until the spring of 1964 when he was nearly 90. He lost his bid for re-election to the town board to John Kapaun, a write-in candidate, by 4 votes.

Thomas continued to drive his car until he was well past his 90th birthday and was mentally and physically alert right up to the end of his life. His favorite retirement activity was daily trips to Janesville where he spent his afternoons playing cards with friends at the American Legion clubroom in Janesville. Tom and Ellen Eustice were lifetime members of St. Ann's Catholic Church in Janesville.

Tom Eustice died June 15, 1966 at Janesville. He was only two months short of his 92nd birthday. Ellen died July 4, 1938; she was 61. They are both buried in St. Ann's Cemetery, Janesville.

Children of Thomas Eustice and Ellen "Nellie" Cahill:

- 1). **Thomas Eustice** was born September 12, 1901 at Janesville, Minnesota. He married (1) **Ethel Haley** (*Mark Joseph Haley and Hannah Forsythe*) at Janesville, Minnesota on October 6, 1920.
- 2). **Ellen Eustice** was born in 1901 at Janesville, Minnesota; She married (1) **Patrick William Morgan** on September 19, 1922 at Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Waseca, MN; married (2) **Leonard Snyder** on March 3, 1924. Ellen Eustice Snyder died at Charles City, Iowa on April 6, 1963 and is buried in Calvary Cemetery in Charles City.
- 3). **George Henry Eustice** born September 9, 1904 at Janesville, Minnesota; married **Anastasia Fien** on May 4, 1932 at Marysburg, Lesueur County, Minnesota
- 4). **Benedict Eustice**; born October 9, 1909 at Janesville, Minnesota; married (1) **Margaret Mary Williams** (*Williams and Catherine Klaseus*) on October 14, 1930 at St. Ann's Catholic Church in Janesville. He married (2) **Elvira (Brown) Mullerleile** on November 6, 1972 at St. Ann's Catholic Church, Janesville. Ben Eustice died May 29, 1993 at Rochester, Olmsted County, Minnesota and is buried in St. Ann's Cemetery, Janesville.



Tom Eustice (center) with his children Ben, Ellen and Henry. Missing is Tom Jr.



Thomas Eustice Jr. married Ethel Haley October 6, 1920. The marriage ended in divorce.

THE ANCESTORS OF DONALD DEAN EUSTICE

GENERATION IV

Thomas Eustice⁴ (THOMAS³, JOHN², JAMES¹)

Thomas Eustice was born September 12, 1901 at Janesville, Minnesota. He married Ethel Haley (*Mark Joseph Haley and Hannah Forsythe*) at Janesville on October 6, 1920 at St. Ann's Catholic Church. Father Samuel Condron celebrated the Mass. Thomas and Ethel lived at various places in the areas of Waseca and Waterville. Shortly after Hope was born, Thomas left the family. He worked as a night watchman in Chicago among other jobs.

Family of Thomas Eustice and Ethel Haley:

- 1). **Inez Ellen Eustice** was born January 9, 1922 at Waseca. She married Jonnie A. Workman. She died April 1963 and is buried in Mt. Calvary Cemetery, Topeka, Kansas.
- 2). **Lyle Thomas Eustice** was born January 5, 1923 at Waseca. He married Hazel Frances Tews on May 9, 1941. Lyle Eustice died in Napa, California on August 10, 1969. Lyle and Hazel are buried in St. Jarlath's Cemetery in Iosco Township.
- 3). **Lucille Catherine Eustice** was born October 2, 1924 and died November 30, 1924. Lucille Catherine is buried St. Jarlath's Cemetery.
- 4). **Viola Mary Eustice** was born November 2, 1925 in LeSueur County. She married Daniel Michael Ryan on August 18, 1942 at St. Ann's Catholic Church, Janesville. Viola Eustice Ryan died May 22, 1957 in St. Joseph's Hospital, Mankato and is buried in St. Ann's Cemetery in Janesville.
- 5). **Donald Dean Eustice** was born September 24, 1928 in Waterville Township, LeSueur County. He married Esther Clayton on November 12, 1948 at Waseca. Donald died September 4, 1976 while serving as Waseca County Sheriff. He is buried in St. Jarlath's Cemetery in Iosco Township, rural Waseca.
- 6). **Dorothy Mae Eustice** was born September 24, 1928 in Waterville Township, LeSueur County. She died July 20, 1952 of heart failure at the Minneapolis and is buried in St. Jarlath's Cemetery in Iosco Township.
- 7). **Hope Ruth Eustice** was born April 5, 1930 at Elysian, LeSueur, County. She married Robert John Dennis on November 25, 1947 in Winona, Minnesota. Hope Dennis died Oct. 16, 2009, at her home in Winona.



Esther Clayton and Don Eustice were married on November 12, 1948 at Waseca, Minnesota. Don was twenty years old and Esther was just eighteen years old. Esther Eustice was a strong woman who preferred to stand in the background in support of her husband. Among her many interests was a passion for family history.

Don's first Day as Waseca County Sheriff



HIS FIRST DAY AS Sheriff of Waseca county and what do we find Don Eustice doing? Sitting down on the job, that's what! And another thing-Don has been so occupied he even forgot to order out a sheriff's badge. He's still ruming around wearing his old deputy star. (What's the matter, Don, won't Stan sell you his old one, or does he plan to keep his for possible use in warmer climes?)





*Donald & Esther (Clayton) Eustice Family about 1968
L-R, Front Row: Todd, Esther, Barry, Don, Barbara, Peg; Back Row: Brad, Becky, Doug, Gary, Scott.
(Photo courtesy of Todd Eustice)*

Family of Donald Dean Eustice and Esther Clayton:

- 1). **Douglas Raymond Eustice**, born January 18, 1950 at Waseca, Minnesota. He married Sandra Mary (Jenson) Larson on December 4, 1982.
- 2). **Gary Dean Eustice**, born March 12, 1951 at Waseca. He married Ann Catherine Byron, daughter of Richard Byron and Julia Chicco on July 16, 1977 at Sacred Heart Church, Waseca.
- 3). **Rebecca Eustice**, born March 26, 1952 at Waseca. Becky Eustice married Thomas Joseph Bruner, son of Ervin Bruner and Delphine Doll on September 1, 1973 at Waseca. Thomas Bruner was born December 22, 1951.
- 4). **Scott David Eustice**, born March 9, 1953 at Waseca. He married Susan Frances (Pitcher) Doepp on June 29, 1974. Susan Pitcher was born September 23, 1949 and is the daughter of Wayne Pitcher and Alice Torgerson.
- 5). **Bradley Michael Eustice**, born May 3, 1954 at Waseca, MN. Brad married Mary K. Sinner, daughter of William Sinner and Addie Jane Beron at Castleton, North Dakota on June 16, 1979.
- 6). **Todd William Eustice**, born June 28, 1957 at Waseca. Todd Eustice married Patricia Evelace Dockter on August 26, 1989 in Mora, Minnesota. Patricia Dockter was born February 20, 1961 at Breckenridge, Minnesota.
- 7). **Margaret Jane “Peg” Eustice**, born January 16, 1959 at Waseca. Peg Eustice married Charles Schwab on October 14, 2000 at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Waseca. Peg Eustice died May 20, 2001 at Mankato, Minnesota. She is buried in St. Jarlath’s Cemetery, Iosco Township, Waseca County.
- 8). **Barry Jon Eustice**, born June 15, 1964 at Waseca. Barry Eustice married Bonnie Susan Musel on October 19, 1991 at Waseca. Bonnie Musel was born January 25, 1965 at Waseca.
- 9). **Barbara Donelle Eustice**, born May 18, 1966 at Waseca. Barbara Eustice married John Arthur Hertzog on April 6, 1991 at Waseca. John Hertzog was born on January 24, 1966.

Our Journey to our Eustace Irish Ancestral Home

By Patty Eustice



Todd and Patty Eustice of Mora, Minnesota enjoy a Guinness with their daughter Meghan in Dublin on June 15th; Guinness is good for you!

My husband Todd and I spent about a week in Ireland in June and found it to be the trip of a lifetime. Our daughter Meghan is currently living in Dublin, so we got to spend some quality time with her experiencing this wonderful country.

We arrived in Dublin on the morning of June 15 and spent the day exploring the city. We had a personal tour of St. Audoens Church, where we learned that an ancestor, Roland Fitzeustace, worshiped and made major financial contributions to the parish. Ron Eustice had put this church on the list of must-sees when we asked for tourist suggestions and it was impressive. We also saw the beautiful St. Christ's Church and St. Patrick's church. Meg took us through the Temple Bar Area. She worked at the Temple Bar for a few months and knew the area well.

That evening we took the DART, a local train system, to the nearby harbor town of Howth, where we walked along the cliffs overlooking the city, ate dinner outside at a local pub and had our first Guinness! We spent our first night in Ireland at the River House Hotel in Dublin, located on Eustace Street!

Day two we got our rental car and Todd took a big gulp and began driving us through Ireland, with Meghan on her GPS as his co-pilot! We traveled to Trim, where we toured Trim Castle, which was used in the filming of Braveheart. It was amazing to note this castle was in the middle of the village. We walked the steps up to the top and had a breathtaking view of Trim and the landscape. It was sobering to think we were in a structure that had been inhabited by nobility centuries ago.

After Trim, we made a quick stop in Ballymore Eustace, where we toured the town, stopped in at Paddy Murphys, a local pub and visited with the locals.

We then drive to Kilkenny, where we took in a ghost tour and visited local pubs. Most of the pubs had live music, which was very enjoyable to listen to. At the last pub we visited for the evening, a local young man was playing music. When he found out we were from Minnesota, he played a song he had written about "Minnesota nice," and said that he would be playing at the Halfway to St. Patrick's Day festival in Kilkenny, MN this fall and we should come hear him there. Small world!

Day three we went to Cashel in Tipperary and explored the Rock of Cashel there. It is another castle/fortress and dated back to the 300AD. It is a former fortress, fought over by rival clans for many years until it was given to the church in 1100. The history in the country is amazing.

We had a bit of a drive to reach Ardroom, a tiny, tiny village on the Beare Peninsula where we planned to stay in for two nights. Our hostess was a lovely woman named Anna-Marie, who also ran the Village Inn Pub with her parents. We rented one of her cozy cottages, the Drewannea, which was a minute's walk from the pub. She couldn't have made us feel more welcome. Todd talked politics with the locals in the bar, while Meghan and I visited with two people from Dublin, who were there on holiday.

Day four we left Ardroom for the day and drove around the Ring of Beare and viewed the rugged, beautiful coastal landscape. When we got to the westernmost point, we took a cable car to Dersey Island and explored a bit. Back at Ardroom that evening, we ate at Anne-Marie's pub and enjoyed the evening visiting with local people.

Day five we debated whether to drive the Ring of Kerry or the Dingle Peninsula, after Anna-Marie advised us we couldn't do both in a day and decided on Ring of Kerry. Todd had found driving on the "wrong side of the road," was challenge enough, but driving the narrow road around the Ring of Kerry was, at times, a white-knuckle experience! Huge tour buses were on the road as well, and it was a good thing the tour book he read, had suggested we drive the Ring clockwise, as the tour buses all drove counter-clockwise! The scenery was amazing, but the fog and mist Ireland is famous for decided to come out in full force that day.

Journey to our Eustace Irish Ancestral Home

From the Ring of Kerry we travelled to the Cliffs of Moher on the west coast of County Clare. At first it was so foggy, we couldn't see much, but then the fog lifted a bit and we were treated to a breathtaking view of the cliffs and the water crashing on the rocks below. We walked along the cliffs for a while, taking in this unbelievable scenery. It was truly another amazing sight.

We continued north on Ireland's west coast and stopped at Doolin, where we had dinner and heard local musicians playing traditional Irish music, a real treat. We hoped to hear more before we left the Green Isle.

Our destination for that evening was Kinvara, a small village where we stayed at the Merriman Hotel, an older establishment with a thatched roof! We pub-hopped a bit downtown before calling it a day. We met up with a family from Michigan who told us Connolly's Bar had live traditional music earlier in the night and we should try there tomorrow.

Day 6. We drove back to Doolin to catch one of the ferries that take people to the Aran Islands. We went to the closest island, Inisheer. It was amazing! There were several people with horse and carts, offering to drive us around the island, but Meghan, Todd and I decided to walk! It was quite a climb to the top, where we explored O'Brien's castle and O'Brien's tower built in 1400, but left in ruins by Cromwell's troops in the 1600s.

This island used to be nothing but rock. Settlers began stacking rock into fence lines and laid seaweed on the land to encourage growth and now green farmland exists, all neatly fenced in to determined whose land is whose. One of the men working on the ferry told us rock is stacked into fences a particular way to note what family owns the land. Then we made the descent to the shoreline to have a close look at the shipwreck of the An Plessy, a ship that was wrecked at sea, but tossed on shore in 1960 during a storm. The ship has since stayed on the rocks the waves placed in on during that storm.

Meghan had Galway on her Irish bucket list, so after Inisheer, we drove to Galway and hung out in the Latin Quarter. This area is rich in the Spanish culture. The harbor inlet was once home to the Claddagh fishing village. The village is now gone, but the picturesque harbor is still there and the famous Claddagh ring tradition of course, lives on. After all that we headed back to Kinvara and found our way to Connolly's Bar in hopes of catching some Gaelic music. We had the evening of our dreams – local musicians began coming into the pub, all sitting around the same table playing their instruments and joining in on whatever song someone began playing.



Irish pub music is a memory to behold.

There were accordions, fiddles, guitars, a flute and even a harp! We sat mesmerized listening to the spontaneous group play for the entire evening. What a wonderful, wonderful memory!

Day 7. We left Kinvara and headed to Ballymahon, which Ron Eustice told us was where the Eustice clan originated. He had encouraged us to look up Steven and Cissy Duggan, who still lived near the original Eustace digs. The Duggans were wonderful, warm people and Cissy took us to the site where the Eustace home and neighborhood had been. The Duggans were originally neighbors and friends of the Eustaces.

Our trip was unfortunately coming to a close, and we had to head back to Dublin. We visited Meghan's house and met some of her roommates who hail from France, Brazil, England, as well as other parts of Ireland. They are a wonderful eclectic group of people and we see why Meghan enjoys living there.

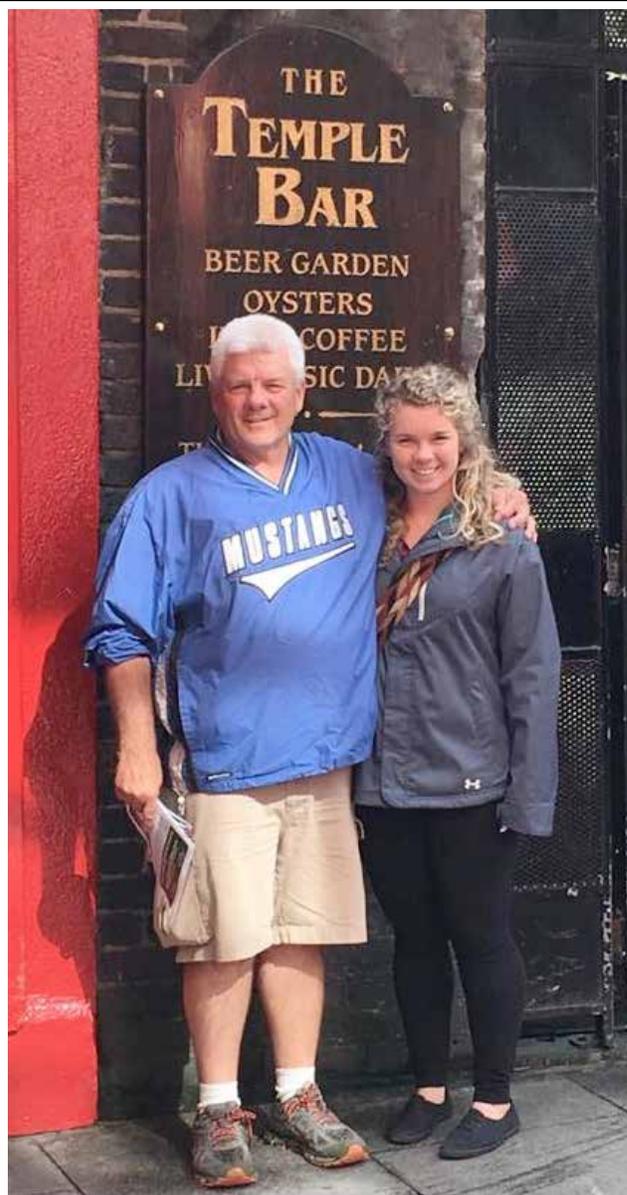
We walked to City Centre Dublin from Meg's apartment and had dinner at Bad Bob's a pub in the Temple Bar area. We walked Ha' Penny Bridge, a landmark where people used to have to pay a half penny to cross. Meg also took us to Brazen head, the oldest pub in Dublin, established in 1198. We entered through an archway and were actually outside in a courtyard surrounded by the pub. This was a very neat way to end our holiday.

Day 8 we headed back to the states and Minnesota. What a wonderful, wonderful, trip. The people we met were so warm and friendly. Everyone was interested to hear what we'd seen and offer suggestions and what else we could do while we're there. I asked Meghan, who has traveled Europe quite a bit, if all of Europe has such wonderful people. She said the Irish people are the warmest she'd encountered and that's why she wanted to live there for a while and experience the culture. Todd and I are already talking about going back!



Meghan and Todd Eustice at St. Audeon's Church on High Street, Dublin

We had a personal tour of St. Audoen Church, where we learned that an ancestor, Roland Fitzeustace and his wife Margaret, worshiped. Roland was one of the most influential men of his time and was a major benefactor to the church.



Following our visit to St. Audeon and Christchurch Cathedral we decided we were thirsty. A stop at the Temple Bar seemed both appropriate and necessary. Meghan worked at Temple Bar for several weeks as part of her "work/study" program.



At left: Effigy of Roland & Margaret FitzEustace in St. Audeon's church, Dublin. One of Roland's daughters was named Alison. Ron Eustice had put this church on the list of must-sees when we asked for tourist suggestions and it was impressive. We felt very welcome.

EUSTACE FAMILIES POST

November 2016



Meghan & Todd Eustace at Ballymore Eustace



Todd Eustice at Ballymore Eustace



A picture postcard showing Ballymahon, County Longford in 1880 at left and a current view below.

The 1880 postcard shows a view similar to how Ballymahon appeared when John Eustice left for America in 1850.

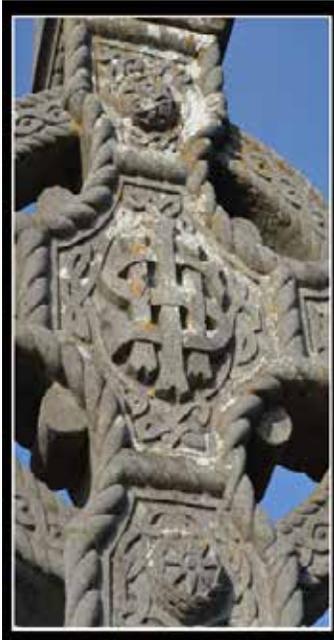


Scene from Ballymahon, County Longford where our ancestors lived in the 1830s until 1850.



County Longford Map showing Ballymahon on bottom of map. Longford is bordered by County Westmeath on the south and east. Roscommon is to the west. Leitrim is on the north. Ballymahon is in the center of Ireland about mid-way between Dublin and Galway.

Typical Irish cottage similar to where our Eustace ancestors lived near Ballymahon, County Longford. These cottages, largely abandoned, are scattered throughout the Irish countryside.



Gaelic Cross near Ballymahon, County Longford.



Meghan Eustice, Cissy Duggan, Todd Eustice and Steve Duggan . The Duggan family lived next door to the Eustace family in the parish of Shrule near Ballymahon, County Longford, Ireland

We Salute the High School Class of 2016



Allison Eustice, daughter of Todd & Patty Eustice, Mora, Minnesota

Allison Eustice, daughter of Todd and Patty Eustice graduated with honors from Mora High School in Mora, MN in June 2016. Allison was involved in many activities during her high school career. She played tennis 7-12th grade and was captain her junior and senior year. She played hockey 9-12th grade on a co-op team consisting of Mora, Pine City and Cambridge girls. Allison started out high school playing softball like her sisters, but switched to track her sophomore year and was captain for her senior year. She ran sprints and relays and long-jumped. This June the two relay teams she was on, the 4x100 and 4x200 went to state. Their 4x200 team placed 7th in the state meet. It was a great way to end her high school athletic career! Allison also played flute in the band all through high school, was a member of student council and served on the yearbook committee. She was a student advisor for the Mora Education Foundation, a local group that helps fund school projects.

Allison is attending University of Wisconsin Stout at Menominee, and will major in elementary education.



Ryan Eustice, son of Keith & Kelly Eustice of Waseca, Minnesota

Ryan Eustice, son of Keith and Kelly (Arnoldt) Eustice of Waseca, Minnesota graduated from Janesville-Waldorf-Pemberton (JWP), Minnesota High School in June 2016. While a student at JWP, Ryan was a member of the National Honor Society all four years of his high school career. He was Quarterback on the JWP football team in his senior year and Homecoming King. As a graduating senior he received the following awards: Jack Dahl Male Athlete Award, Steele-Waseca Cooperative Electric Scholarship (\$500), Red Cross Scholarship (\$1,000), Mayo Clinic Scholarship (\$12,000).



Joseph Eustace & Family Visit Dublin and County Clare



The Eustace family at the Old Ground Hotel in Ennis. L-R: Catherine Lerer Anderson, her mother; Mary Catherine Eustace Lerer, Blair Eustace, and her father, Joseph (Bud) Eustace, Jr..

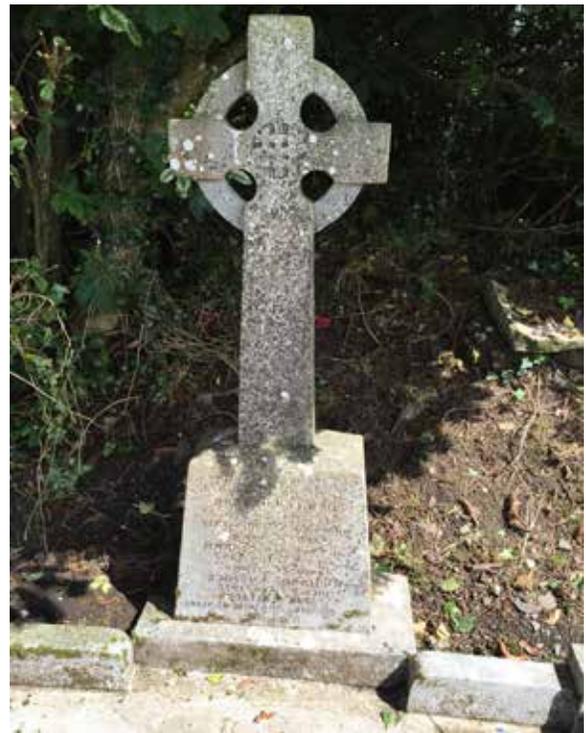


The Eustaces in Dublin on Eustace Sreet, outside of Eustace House. L-R: Joseph Eustace, his daughter Blair, and his sister Mary Catherine Eustace Lerer.

Joseph A. Eustace of Tampa, Florida writes, “Made the trip to Ireland in July 2016 as part of my daughter’s high school graduation celebration.”

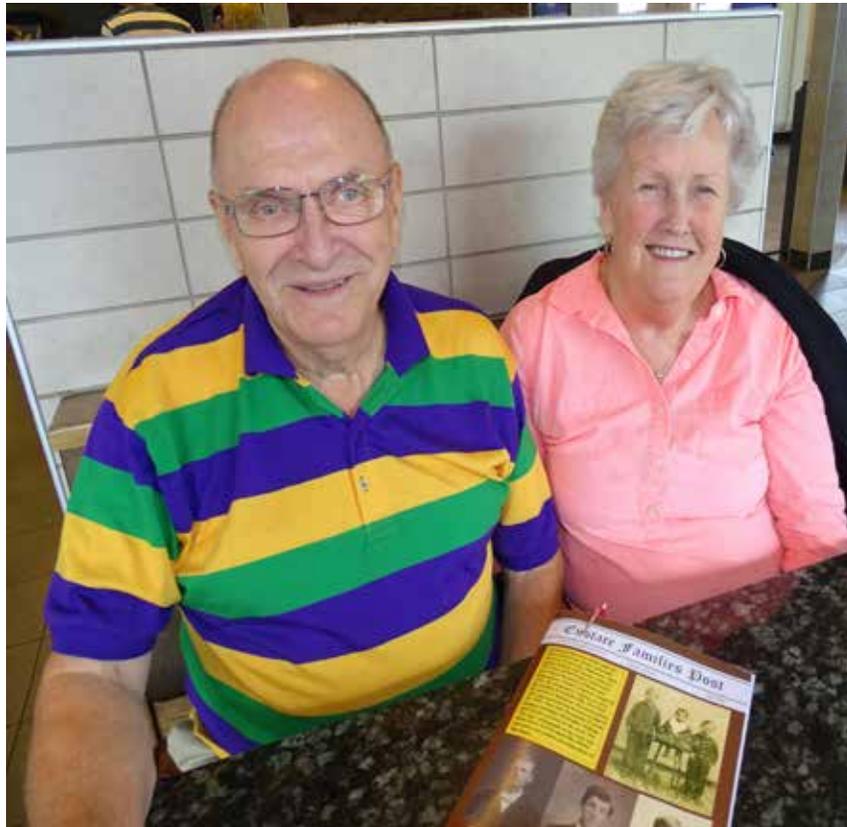


Eustace family at the Gap of Dunloe. L-R Joseph, Blair, Mary Catherine, and Catherine.



Celtic cross marking the grave of Joseph’s great-grandfather, Charles Eustace, in Cahermurphy, Kilmihil, County Clare.

A Visit with Noel & Shirley Eustace in Moncton, New Brunswick, Canada



Noel & Shirley (Carson) Eustace of Moncton, New Brunswick

Editor's Note: In July, I had the distinct pleasure of meeting Noel and Shirley Eustace in Moncton, New Brunswick, Canada. I was travelling through the Canadian Maritimes following attending a Holstein cattle sale in Vermont. During our visit, Noel shared an impressive family tree that has been compiled.

Noel Carter Mansel Eustace was born in Moncton, NB on July 9, 1943, baptized Aug 4, 1943, St. Paul's, Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island (P.E.I.). Noel is the son of **Harlan Cyrus Willoughby Eustace** (1913-1957) and **Catherine Ruth Cudmore** (1915-1968). Harlan Eustace and Catherine Cudmore were married: Dec 31, 1936 at Charlottetown, PEL Harlan and Ruth lived in Moncton, NB where Harlan worked as a commercial traveller. He died at a young age.

Noel attended schools in Moncton, NB and Woffville, NS and at the completion of his education, became involved in public accounting and then owning his own businesses. His main hobbies are his family and sailing.

Noel Eustace married **Shirley Marleen Carson** (Born Oct 9, 1941) on Sept 26, 1964 in Saint John, NB at Hillcrest Baptist Church.

Family of Noel Carter Mansel Eustace & Shirley Marlene Carson:

1). Noel Carson Michael Eustace born in Moncton, NB on April 15, 1965. Noel Carson Eustace married Karen Elizabeth Peacock (born Dec 23, 1965) on Sept 7, 1991 at First United Baptist Church in Moncton NB. Noel Carson Eustace and his wife Karen, own an Instant Imprints franchise in Fredericton, NB.

Their children are:

- i Courtney Allyssa born in Moncton, NB on Dec 1, 1992
- ii. Chelsey Anne born in Moncton, NB on June 10, 1994
- iii. Corey Alexander born in Moncton, NB Nov 27, 1997

2). Neal Cyrus Marshall Eustace born in Moncton, NB on May 14, 1968 Neal Cyrus Marshall Eustace married Beverly Ann Campbell (B Aug 19, 1970) on Oct 2, 1999 at St Georges Moncton, NB. Neal works
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Their children are:

- i. Olivia Shirley Faye Eustace born in Moncton on Sept 9, 2002.
- ii. Laura Ruth Ann Eustace born in Moncton on Jan 30, 2005.
- iii. Harlan Noel Kenneth Eustace born in Moncton on April 17, 2007.

3). Nancy Catherine Marleen Eustace born in Moncton, NB on Dec. 17, 1969. Nancy Catherine Marleen Eustace married Daniel Joseph LeBlanc (B Oct 15, 1964) on Oct 15, 2005 at St Georges, Moncton, NB

Their children are:

- i. Danielle Nancy LeBlanc born in Moncton on Feb 27, 2007
- ii. Chanelle Noelle LeBlanc born in Moncton on July 30, 2009.

The Eustace family owns and operates Vickers Marketing Ltd. in Moncton which is a family business that distributes small engine and lawnmower parts in Eastern Canada with warehouses in Guelph, Ontario and Moncton, NB. Nancy Eustace is President and Neal Eustace is Vice President.

***Vickers Marketing Ltd
1120 Berry Mills Rd
Moncton, NB E1E 4R8
Canada***

Noel & Shirley Eustace Family of Moncton, New Brunswick, Canada



*Noel & Shirly Eustace Children with their spouses
Danny LeBlanc, Nancy Eustace-LeBlanc, Neal Eustace, Bev Eustace, Noel Eustace, Karen Eustace.*



*Noel & Shirley Eustace with all the grandkids:
Front row : (L to R) Chanelle LeBlanc, Harlan Eustace, Danielle LeBlanc
Middle row : (L to R) Laura Eustace, Shirley Eustace, Olivia Eustace
Back Row: (L to R) Chelsey Eustace, Noel Eustace, Corey Eustace, Courtney Eustace.*

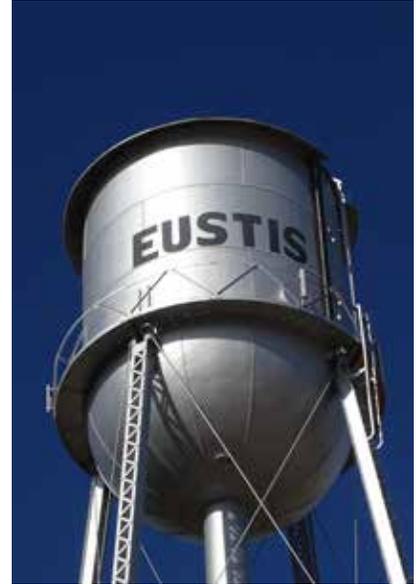
Visiting the World of Eustis: A Stop at Eustis, Nebraska



Eustis, Nebraska is a small village nestled in the rolling hills mid-way between the Platte River and the Republican River. Ronald and Margaret Eustice visited Eustis, Nebraska on October 9, 2016 enroute to their home in Tucson, Arizona.

Eustis is located just off Highway 23 and is 13 miles south of Interstate 80. Eustis had its start in the year 1886 by the building of the railroad through that territory.

It was named for Percy Sprague Eustis, a railroad official and incorporated as a village in 1888. The 2010 census showed there were 401 people, 180 households, and 118 families residing in the village.



The Eustis water tower on Main Street.

Eustis has an excellent school system with many professionals at the top of their fields who can claim alumni status. In 2010, Eustis-Farnam Public School was one of four schools in Nebraska to receive the National Blue Ribbon School award from the US Department of Education. From athletics to FFA to mock trial, students participate in a broad curriculum to prepare them for life after high school.

One of the most well-known natives of Eustis, Nebraska was Clayton Keith Yeutter (born December 10, 1930) who served as United States Secretary of Agriculture under President George H. W. Bush from 1989 to 1991 before serving as Counselor to the President in 1992. He served as United States Trade Representative from 1985 to 1989 and as Chairman for the Republican National Committee from 1991 until 1992.



Eustis is in Frontier County, Nebraska

Eustis, Nebraska where the wurst is the best!



Der Wurst Haus, a meat shop and grocery store on Main Street in Eustis proudly proclaims that their wurst is best.

The village has a proud German heritage which has been kept alive by many customs, foods and celebrations. On Jan. 8, 1993, Eustis was declared the "Sausage Capital of Nebraska" by the Nebraska Legislature.



We found that Eustis is a quiet but progressive community with several successful businesses. This sign at the entrance to the County Fairgrounds tells us that agriculture is the main driver of the local economy.

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Ron Eustice on his visit to Eustis, Maine in July 2016.
 Eustis is a town in Franklin County, Maine, United States. The population was 618 at the 2010 census. Benedict Arnold and his troops passed through the area on October 19, 1775, on their way up the North Branch of the Dead River to fight in the ill-fated Battle of Quebec. Eustis was first called Township No. 1 of Range 4, West of Bingham's Kennebec Purchase. The original settler was Caleb Stevens from New Hampshire, who brought his wife and nine children. About 1831, the northern half of the township was purchased from the state of Maine by two men, one of whom was Charles L. Eustis of Lewiston. That same year he built a sawmill and gristmill. In 1840, the township was organized as Hanover Plantation, which about 1850 became part of the larger Jackson Plantation. On March 30, 1857, however, the township was set off and organized as Eustis Plantation, named after its early proprietor. Then on February 18, 1871, with a population of 342, it was officially incorporated as a town.

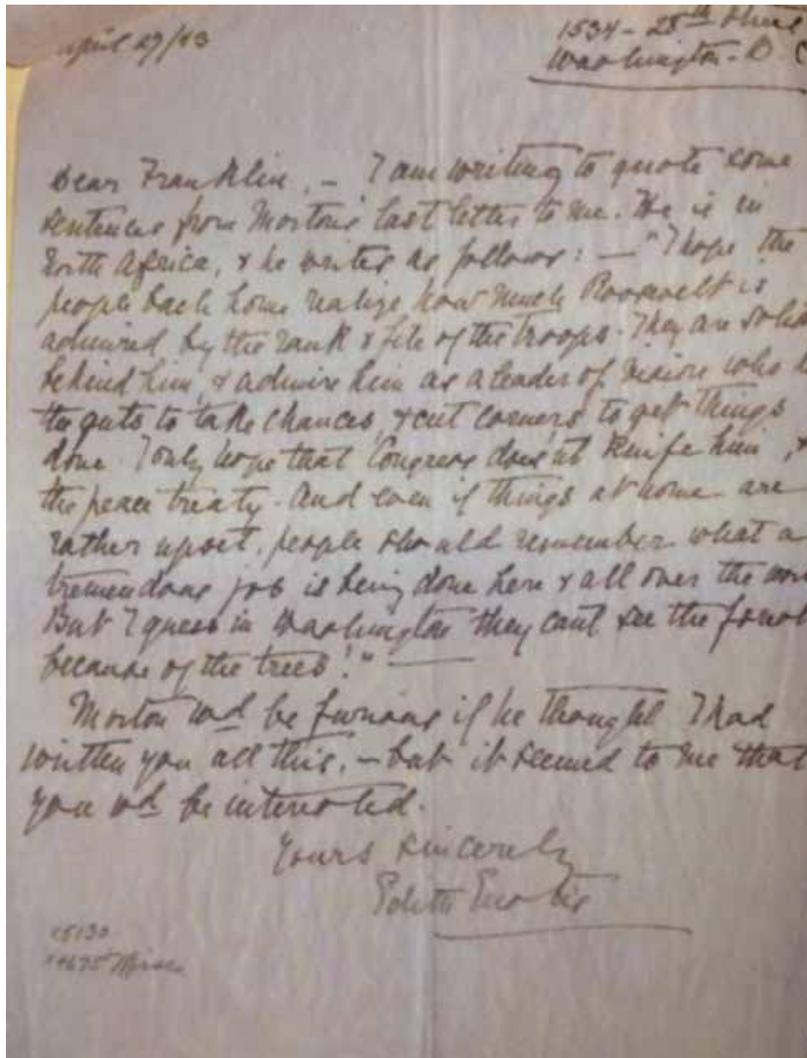


Eustis, Maine which includes the village of Stratton, is a popular recreation area.



Letters reveal close bond between FDR and Oatlands Eustis family

Loudoun (Virginia) Times-Mirror (May 19, 2016)



A letter from Edith Eustis, former owner of Oatlands Historic House and Gardens, to President Franklin Delano Roosevelt in 1943.

The long-time bond between Edith Eustis, former owner of Oatlands Historic House and Gardens, and President Franklin Delano Roosevelt has been uncovered through a series of letters and photographs, and Lori Kimball, director of programming and education at Oatlands, is now searching for any mention of Oatlands or Loudoun County among the records at the Franklin D. Roosevelt Presidential Library and Museum in Hyde Park, N.Y.

"We are really seeing how close they were," Kimball said. "[Mrs. Eustis] mentions several things that demon-

strate that they are not just acquaintances. There are lots of examples, like the fact that she sat right behind the press at the third inauguration."

In a letter sent soon after that inauguration on Jan. 20, 1941, Eustis wrote to Roosevelt thanking him for including her family. "A line of most grateful thanks for the wonderful seats which you sent me for the inauguration," she wrote. "We were straight in front of you, just behind the press. Saw everything, heard everything and were deeply impressed by the solemnity and beauty of the ceremony.

I think the inaugural address struck the right note at this moment ... and it made me feel that I was glad that the affairs of the nation were in your hands for safekeeping."

Roosevelt's connection to Eustis - born Edith Morton - started in childhood. Both were born into prominent families in New York. They were powerful and politically well-connected. Morton's father, Levi Parson Morton, served as vice president under Benjamin Harrison.

After Edith Morton's marriage to William Eustis in 1900, the couple settled in Georgetown in D.C. Soon after, the Washingtonians longed for a country retreat and purchased Oatlands in 1903 from the founder of The Washington Post, Stilson Hutchins, who never lived on the property.

Mrs. Eustis was an avid gardener and Mr. Eustis an accomplished equestrian. He was a founding member of the Loudoun Hunt, still in the area today. The Loudoun Point-to-Point Races are hosted each year at Oatlands in April.

Roosevelt's visits occasionally included his wife, Eleanor, and his mother, Sara. His alleged longtime mistress, Lucy Mercer, is rumored to have met him at Oatlands, but so far, no documents have been conclusive.

Kimball is still looking for clues. "We are looking into the sources of that," she said. "It seems that they did meet here but we don't know how frequently that was. It's also possible she met him at the Eustis' home in Washington."

The seriousness of topics discussed in their correspondences is varied. In a telegram Eustis sent FDR while he was away in Hawaii, she looks to take advantage of her friend's clout, soliciting his help in preventing a road-widening project in front of their home in Georgetown.



Edith Morton Eustis

Edith Eustis often provided commentary after FDR's famed *Fireside Chats*, writing, "I hope you will not take it amiss if I tell you how greatly I admire the speech you made over the radio last night."

Eustis's son Morton was sent to France during World War II and served under Gen. George Patton. He was killed and buried abroad in 1944. Found in his pocket at the time of his death was a casual photograph of Roosevelt with an inscription on the back. "From his old friend Franklin Roosevelt," it read.

Both FDR and Eleanor sent letters of condolence when the news of Morton Eustis's death arrived home.

Kimball, over the next several months, hopes to uncover additional letters and pictures between the families. She wants to have them transcribed in an effort to continue presenting factual stories about the Eustis family and their relationships.

Processing the FDR documents is a long-term project. "Digitizing our manuscripts is an ongoing process," said Kirsten Carter, supervisory archivist at the FDR Presidential Library &



Oatlands Mansion, Virginia

Oatlands was donated to the National Trust for Historic Preservation following the death of Edith Eustis in 1964 by her two surviving daughters, Margaret Eustis Finley and Anne Eustis Emmet. It currently boasts a National Historic Landmark designation, which requires possession of unique value in memorializing or illustrating the history of the United States.

Museum. "We have about 1 million pages online currently. We estimate that we house over 77 million pages of manuscripts from the Roosevelt family and from donations made by people who worked with them."

Currently on display at Oatlands is a photograph of Roosevelt and Eustis as children playing in snowshoes. It was sent along with a letter from FDR, where he reflected on that captured moment in time. Eustis, eight years his senior, had just called him a naughty boy and told him to return home.



President Franklin D. Roosevelt was a childhood friend of Edith Morton Eustis. She called him a "naughty" boy. The friendship continued through their lives.

Eustis Estate in Milton, Mass. on National Register of Historic Places



The focal point is the 1878 stone mansion designed by Boston architect William Ralph Emerson for William Ellery Channing Eustis and Edith Hemenway Eustis.

The Eustis Estate is a historic family estate on Canton Avenue in Milton, Massachusetts. Its centerpiece is the mansion house, an eclectic Late Victorian stone building, constructed for William Ellery Channing Eustis in 1878. The estate also includes several other houses associated with the Eustis family and was listed on the National Register of Historic Places as a historic district in 2016.

Most of the original estate is owned by Historic New England (HNE), a regional architectural historic preservation organization and is scheduled to be opened to the public as a museum property in 2017. Other buildings within the new district include a gatehouse facing Canton Avenue, a barn across the street that is in private ownership, the Colonial Revival-style Frederick Augustus Eustis house, and the privately owned Vappi-Myers ranch house. The protected open space includes landscape designed by prominent landscape architect Ernest Bowditch, open fields, cultivated agricultural fields and orchards, a historic ice pond, and woodland.

The Eustis Estate occupies approximately 100 acres of uplands in a rural-residential area of Milton, and abuts the Blue Hills Reservation at its rear. 80 acres of the estate are protected by conservation easements. It is located on the southeast side of Canton Avenue, just east of its junction with Dollar Lane. Set close to Canton Avenue are two houses, one of which is a 1950 ranch house that is not historically significant, but stands on land subdivided from the estate in the 1940s. The other is a three-story wood frame house, built in Hyde Park by Frederick A Eustis II in the 1890s and moved to this location in 1910. Standing across the street from each other are a stable and gatehouse, both built out of uncoursed stone. These were designed by William Ellery Channing Eustis and built in the late 19th century; the stable is now in separate ownership and has been converted to residential use.



The elegant staircase in the Eustis mansion

The main house stands well back from the road, and is now accessed via a drive located south of the gatehouse. It is a three-story masonry structure, exhibiting an eclectic mix of stylistic elements from popular late-19th century styles. It is built out of local stone, with accents of red and yellow brick, and is covered by a red tile roof.

The Eustis mansion has a porte-cochere with Romanesque arches, and numerous gables and projecting sections that are typical of the Queen Anne style. Its roof is pierced by six chimneys, which exhibit multi-colored bands of brickwork.

The estate was developed beginning in 1878 by William Ellery Channing Eustis, whose family had long owned land in the area, augmented by land acquired through the family of his second wife, Edith Hemenway, who was heir to a mercantile fortune. The estate house remained in the Eustis family until it was sold in 2012 for over \$7 million to Historic New England.

Eustis Estate in Milton, Massachusetts, being transformed into museum and study center; Opening in 2017.



A look at the exterior of the home on the Eustis Estate. Courtesy of Historic New England



The Eustis home's dining room. —Courtesy of Historic New England

William Ellery Channing Eustis (1849-1932)


William Ellery Channing Eustis

Born: November 24, 1849,

Died: October 29, 1932, Milton, Massachusetts

He is # 110 in Genealogy of the Eustis Family by Professor Henry Lawrence Eustis (1878)

Today, many young couples choose a “starter home,” a modest house that comfortably accommodates a small family on a tight budget. When William Ellery Channing (W.E.C.) Eustis and Edith Hemenway Eustis moved into their first house, they actually moved into their forever house: a custom-built, 18,600-square-foot stone mansion in Milton, Mass., complete with more than a hundred acres of land.

William Ellery Channing Eustis was the son of Frederick Augustus Eustis (#78 *Genealogy of the Eustis Family by Professor Henry Lawrence Eustis (1878)*) and Mary Channing. He was born November 24, 1849. The family moved to Milton in the 1850s. Frederick and Mary purchased an eighteenth-century house on Canton Avenue that had previously been owned by family members.

W.E.C. Eustis was a Harvard-educated mining engineer, but by personal preference he was a country farmer. While W.E.C. was at the helm, the Eustis Estate was a self-sustained farm. Because of this endeavor, he employed a full farm staff, the majority of whom were from the same family. William Ellery Channing Eustis died at Milton, Massachusetts on October 29, 1932. Edith Hemenway Eustis died January 18, 1904. Edith and William Ellery Channing Eustis are buried in Milton Cemetery, grave 11, lot # 921.

Edith Hemenway (b.1851) began to spend time in Milton when her parents, Augustus and Mary Hemenway, purchased an old farmhouse on 230 acres on Canton Avenue in 1866. Although they already owned a stately mansion on Beacon Hill, their Milton house, known by all as Old Farm, was to serve as a country retreat.

When W.E.C. and Edith were married in 1876, a sizable estate was carved out between the two properties for the young couple to maintain as their own.

When the couple moved into their new house their family was growing. In 1877 their twin boys, Frederic and Augustus, were born; daughter Mary was born in 1885. W.E.C. and Edith lived in this house for the rest of their lives.

A mining engineer by trade, W.E.C. fancied himself a farmer as well. The majority of the estate’s open land was devoted to farming, which meant that a large staff of laborers was kept to maintain and operate the farm. A full staff worked inside the mansion as well, consisting mostly of women who were housed in the servants’ wing. Historic New England has been lucky to discover the names of these workers and servants in census records.

THE ANCESTORS OF WILLIAM ELLERY CHANNING EUSTIS

An Excerpt taken from Genealogy of the Eustis Family, by Prof. HENRY LAWRENCE EUSTIS, A.M. Harvard

1. WILLIAM¹ EUSTIS. No record has been found earlier than the date of birth of his child in 1659. His name appears in the tax-lists of Rumney Marsh (now Chelsea) in 1674. He died Nov. 27, 1694. He m. Sarah —, who died June 12, 1713, at about 74 years. Her gravestone is in Charlestown. His widow Sarah and his son John administered William Eustis's estate in 1694. Inventory; Personal property; £154; Real, £110. The estate owed John for building a house, £49 1 shillings 3 pence. His children were:

2. i. JOHN,² b. Dec. 8, 1659.
3. ii. WILLIAM,² b. Feb. 25, 1660/61
4. iii. JOSEPH,² b. Nov. 20, 1662.
- iv. JOSHUA,² b. July 11, 1661. No further record of him is found.
- v. BENJAMIN,² b. May 17, 1666; d. Jan. 4, 1690, grave site at Malden.
5. vi. DAVID,² b. May 31, 1670.
6. vii. JONATHAN,² b. 1675.
- viii. ELIZABETH,² b. July 14, 1678; m. Oct. 25, 1709, Pelatia Whittemore.

3. WILLIAM² EUSTIS. (*William¹*) was b. Feb. 25. 1660/1; m. Oct. 29, 1688, **Sarah Cutler**, daughter of Thomas Cutler. William² Eustis d. Feb. 10, 1736-7, at about 77y. 11m. 20d; grave site; N. Chelsea. Sarah d. June 28, 1748; grave site N. Chelsea. Their children were:

8. i. BENJAMIN,³ b. Feb. 20, 1690.
9. ii. WILLIAM,³ b. April 11, 1692.
- iii. SARAH,³ b. May 7, 1691; m. Jan. 10, 1716, Joseph Baldwin; d. 1773, age 79.
- iv. MARY,³ b. Aug. 11, 1696 ; m. July 24, 1723, John Willard.
- v. RUTH,³ b. Feb. 2, 1698; m. April 30, 1721, Joseph Whittemore.
- vi. HANNAH,³ b. May 23, 1699; d. Aug. 1, 1705. Joseph,³ b. Jan. 12, 1700.
- 11.viii. THOMAS,³ b. Nov. 16, 1703.
- ix. SAMUEL,³ b. Jan.2,1707; d. July 16,1726.
12. x. NATHANIEL,³ b. Dec. 16, 1708.

8. BENJAMIN³ EUSTIS (*William², William¹*) was b. Feb. 20, 1690. He m. March 4, 1713/14, Katherine, dau. of George Ingersoll, and died Jan. 9, 1761. Benjamin's will leaves property to sons George and Benjamin, who administer the estate of their father. Children:

- i. BENJAMIN⁴, b. Dec. 19, 1714; d. June 6, 1719.
18. ii. GEORGE⁴, b. April 24, 1718.
17. iii. BENJAMIN⁴, b. April 16, 1720.

18. BENJAMIN⁴ EUSTIS (*Benjamin³, William², William¹*) was b. April 16, 1720. He m. May 11, 1749, Elizabeth, dau. of Abraham and Prudence (Hancock) Hill. She d. May 30, 1775, aged 47. Perhaps he m. second, June 7, 1781, widow Elizabeth Brown. He d. May 4, 1804, at about age 84; grave site at Copp's Hill. Benjamin Eustis was a housewright, and lieutenant in the Ancient and Honorable Artillery, 1763. Children:

- i. BENJAMIN⁵, b. Aug. 31, 1750; d. Sept. 16, 1750
- ii. BENJAMIN⁵, b. Sept. 4, 1751; d. before 1825, unmarried.
26. iii. WILLIAM⁵, b. June 10, 1753.
- iv. GEORGE⁵, b. Feb. 8, 1755; d. Oct. 19, 1779, age 25; grave site at Copp's Hill.
27. v. ABRAHAM⁵, b. April 26, 1757.
28. vi. JACOB⁵, b. July 24, 1759.
- vii. KATHERINE⁵, b. March 18, 1761; m. Ebenezer Wells; d. Sept. 17, 1818.
- viii. NATHANIEL⁵, b. Nov. 24, 1762; d. unmarried, Norfolk, Virginia (1798).
- ix. ELIZABETH⁵, b. Oct. 8, 1764; d. August 24, 1765.
- x. ELIZABETH⁵, b. May 20, 1766; d. unmarried, Norfolk, Virginia (Dec. 9, 1789).
- xi. PRUDENCE⁵, b. March 26, 1769; m. Dec. 9, 1792, Francis Armory; d. before 1825, without issue
- xii. NANCY⁵, b. April 4, 1771; m. May 8, 1702, Henry Sherburne Langdon; d. March 23, 1818.

THE ANCESTORS OF WILLIAM ELLERY CHANNING EUSTIS

27. ABRAHAM⁵ EUSTIS (*Benjamin⁴, Benjamin³, William², William¹*) was b. April 26, 1757. He m. July 29, 1784, Margaret, dau. of Daniel and Margaret (Jarvis) Parker, and sister of Chief Justice Parker. She was b. in Boston, June 1762, and d. at Cambridge, Nov. 24, 1841. Abraham⁵ Eustis d. December 24, 1788, at Petersburg, Virginia. Their only child:

48. i. ABRAHAM⁶, b. March 26, 1786.

48. ABRAHAM⁶ EUSTIS (*Abraham⁵, Benjamin⁴, Benjamin³, William², William¹*) was b. March 26, 1786, at Petersburg, Va. He m. July 6, 1800, Rebecca, dau. of John and Rebecca (Chambers) Sprague, of Dedham, Mass., who d. June 8, 1820, at Jamaica Plain. Abraham was A.B. of Harvard College (1804), and A.M. Bowdoin (1806). He studied law and commenced practice, but soon relinquished it to enter the army. He served during the War of 1812, in the Black Hawk war of 1832, and in the war with the Seminoles in Florida. For many years he was in command of the school for Artillery Practice at Fortress Monroe, Old Point Comfort, Virginia. At the time of his death he was colonel 1st Artillery and Brevet Brigadier General, headquarters at Portland. His second wife was Patience W.B. Izard, of South Carolina, who d. without issue in 1860. Eustis, Florida and Fort Eustis, Virginia are named after Abraham Eustis. Children:

75. i. WILLIAM⁷, b. Nov. 17, 1810.

76. ii. HORATIO SPRAGUE⁷, b. Dec. 25, 1811.

iii. HENRY LANGDON⁷, b. April 29, 1813; d. June 30, 1817.

77. iv. ALEXANDER BROOKS⁷, b. Jan. 30, 1815.

78. v. FREDERIC AGUSTUS⁷, b. June 12, 1816.

79. vi. JOHN FENWICK⁷, b. Nov. 3, 1817, Fort Independence, Boston.

80. vii. HENRY LAWRENCE⁷, b. Feb. 1, 1819.

78. FREDERICK AUGUSTUS⁷ EUSTIS (*Abraham⁶, Abraham⁵, Benjamin⁴, Benjamin³, William², William¹*) was b. June 12, 1816, at Newport, R. I. He married June 1843, Mary, daughter of Rev. William Ellery Channing. He graduated from Harvard College in 1835, and Harvard Divinity School in 1839. He preached in Philadelphia, and had a private school there. He removed to Milton, Mass., and had a private and boarding school there. During the war of 1861- 65, he bought a plantation at Ladye's Island, South Carolina, belonging to the estate of his deceased stepmother, Mrs. Patience (Izard) Eustis. Here he caught the southern fever and died at Beaufort, SC.; June 19, 1871. Children:

i. MAY,⁸ b. October 5, 1844; married March 4, 1868, William Rotch Wister, of Philadelphia. They had:

Mary, b. March 1870; William, b. November 1871, died August 1872, Newport, R.I.; Frances Anne, b. Nov. 24, 1874.

ii. ELLA,⁸ b. October 1, 1846.

110.iii. WILLIAM ELLERY CHANNING,⁸ b. November 24, 1849

110. WILLIAM ELLERY CHANNING⁸ EUSTIS (*Frederick Augustus,⁷ Abraham⁶, Abraham⁵, Benjamin⁴, Benjamin³, William², William¹*) was b. Nov. 24, 1849. He m. Nov. 9, 1876, Edith, dau. of Augustus Hemenway, of Boston, Massachusetts. He was A.B. Harvard University (1871) and S.B. (1873). Children:

ii. Frederic⁹

ii. Augustus⁹

iii. Mary,⁹ born in 1885

Tracing Eustis and Eustace Ancestors in New England and Virginia



Ron Eustice and Steve Eustis of San Angelo, Texas study the genealogy of the Eustace family of Virginia in June 2016.

Steve Eustis is a descendant of the Eustis family of Boston and the Virginia Eustaces. In fact, he traces to the Eustaces of Virginia twice, so he is genealogically more “Eustace” than “Eustis.” In the photo above, Steve is examining a pedigree chart developed by Colonel Hal Eustace in the 1960s/70s.

Hal Eustace was a descendant of the Virginia Eustace family and spent many years tracing his family history. Hal never married and when he passed away much of his research was lost. Some of Hal’s research has surfaced such as the above chart that was shared with Ron Eustice in the 1970s by Sue Eustace of Catlett, Virginia.

Our next issue of the Eustace Families Post will feature pictures and a historical perspective from Steve and Ron’s Boston adventure. We are certain that you will find it interesting.

Steve Eustis of San Angelo, Texas has had a strong interest in his family roots for several decades. Steve’s ancestry is of special interest because he is a descendant of the Eustis family of Boston as well as the Eustaces of Virginia. Both the Eustises and the Eustaces have strong connections to the earliest days of what became the United States of America. The Eustises of Boston were neighbors of American patriots including Paul Revere, Samuel Adams and John Hancock. Eustises are buried in the same cemetery where Ben Franklin’s parents have their final resting place. The Eustaces of Virginia intermarried with the Lee family and had connections to George Washington through his wife Martha’s family.

Steve invited Ron Eustice to join him in Boston for a few days in September. Steve and Ron experienced American history in a unique way. By locating cemetery headstones of Steve’s ancestors, they were able to piece together many pieces of an intricate historical puzzle and gain a greater appreciation for the role the Eustis family played in history.

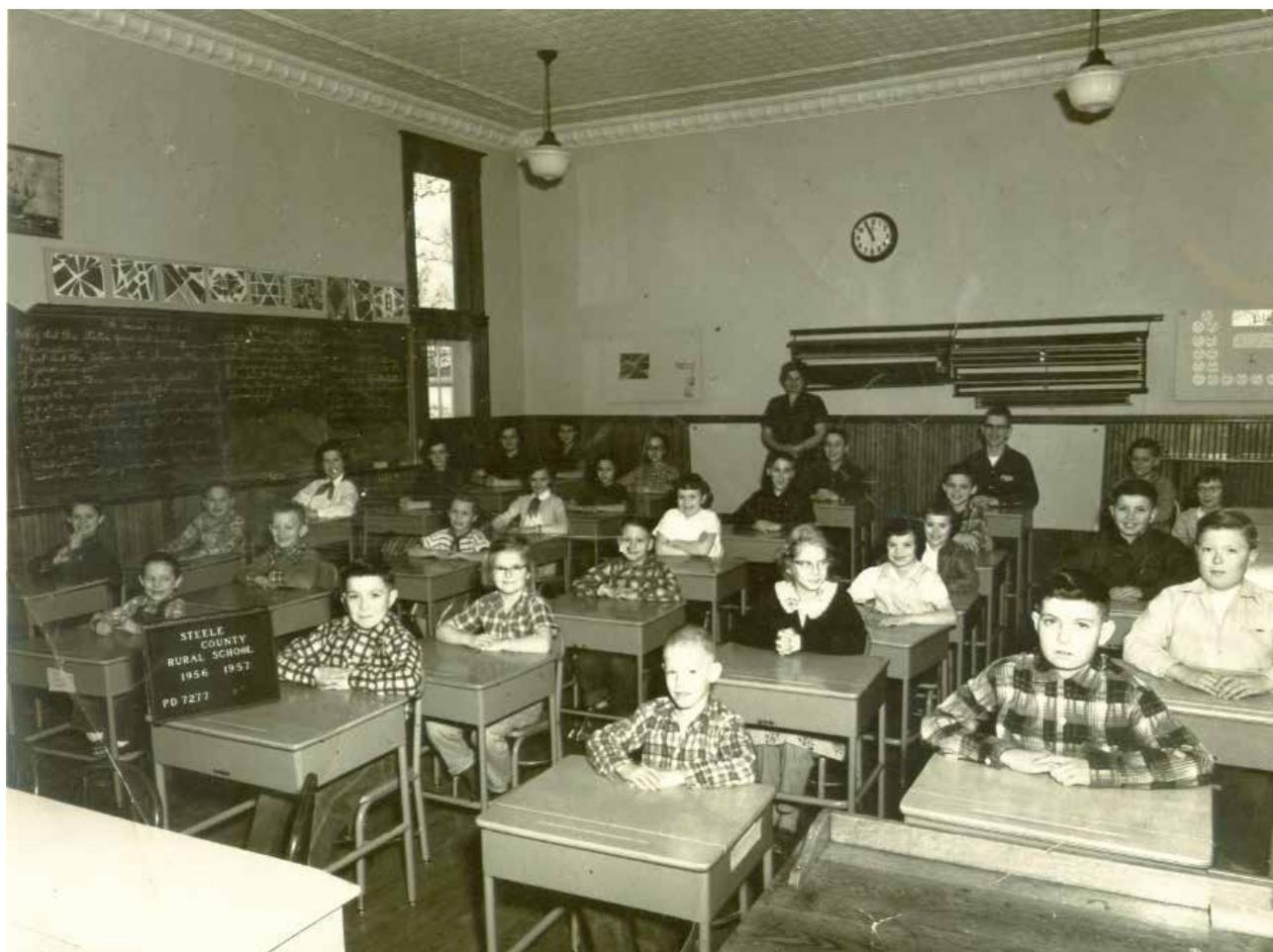


Ivan Meijer with Steve Eustis at the West Parish Burial Ground, Newton, Massachusetts. Steve’s ancestor Captain Thomas Eustis (1735-1807) is buried here along with his wife Katherine Wheat, a daughter Abigail and Elizabeth Eustis, wife of Legrand Lucas. The headstone of Captain Thomas Eustis was badly broken and was repaired by xxxx Meijer pictured above.

Eustice siblings in 2016 and sixty years ago



Ronald, Robert, Marjorie & Donald Eustice in September 2016 at family gathering in Kasson, Minnesota



Ronald, Robert, Marjorie & Donald Eustice are pictured in this photo taken in 1956 at Steele County District 2142, the one-room rural school they attended in Deerfield Township, Minnesota.

Eustice Family Photos



Marcia Eustice Newman, daughter of Donald J. Eustice and Cynthia Clark



Chasity Eustice, daughter of Meghan Eustice; grand-daughter of Donald J. Eustice & Cynthia Clark



Bob Eustice with the youngest of his ten grandchildren, Brady, son of Brent & Casey



Casey & Brent Eustice with son Brady, three weeks old

RECIPIENT OF STEELE COUNTY, MINNESOTA LIVESTOCK HALL OF FAME NAMED

Recipients of the Steele County Livestock Hall of Fame were recognized August 16th at the Steele County Fair

The Steele County Livestock Service Award, goes to a person in the livestock industry who gained their leadership skills through youth work in Steele County. The award will not necessarily be given yearly. Recipient of the first award is Ron Eustice, a native of Deerfield Township. He served as Executive Director of the Minnesota Beef Council for 22 years (1990-2012).

He is recognized internationally as an expert in food safety and irradiation and has lectured at over 150 workshops in 30 states and 9 foreign countries. He was an early promoter and director for two years of the Red & White Dairy Cattle Breed and has authored books on the history of the breed.

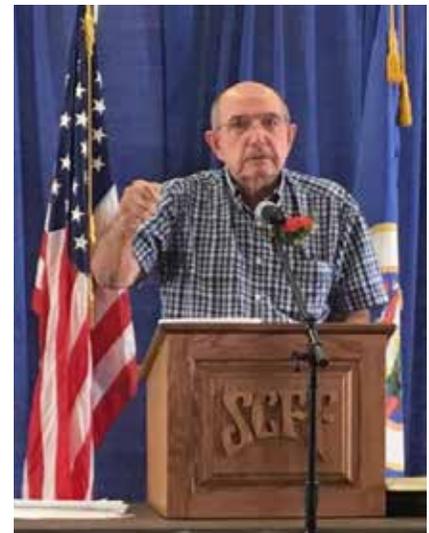
Ron has also authored several textbook chapters, magazine articles and is the editor of the Eustace Families Post.

He was elected to the Minnesota Livestock Breeders Hall of Fame in 2008. He was an international 4-H Youth Exchange delegate to Uruguay, South America in 1967-'68 and is still in contact with several of his host families in Uruguay. Ron is married to Margaret McAndrews and they have two living children, Kevin and



Ron Eustice was the first recipient of Steele County Livestock Service Award at the Steele County Livestock Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony held at the Steele County Fair on August 16th. Seen above with Ron are Livestock Superintendent Tom Trotman and Dan Deml, Steele County Fair Board President.

AnnMarie. Ron has two brothers in southern Minnesota. Robert in Byron owns a large purebred Holstein herd, Donald lives in Faribault. Ron's sister Margie is married to Mike Root and lives in Austin, Texas. The Eustice parents were Donald F. and Alice Mae Eustice.



Ron Eustice is semi-retired but does consulting work in food quality and safety. He and his wife Margaret live in Burnsville, MN and Tucson, AZ. They have two children; Kevin and AnnMarie and a granddaughter Sabine.



Ron Eustice together with his wife Margaret and daughter AnnMarie at Steele County Livestock Hall of Fame Ceremony at Steele County Fair. Photo by Ashley Stewart, Owatonna Peoples Press (August 16, 2016)

Lives Remembered



*Frederick George Eustace
(1923-2016)*

Eulogy Presented at the Funeral of Fred Eustace

Despite his rapid decline in health in the past few months Frederick Eustace had a very active and interesting life and the family had the opportunity to gather for the celebration of Fred and Win's 70th Wedding Anniversary in January of this year where he enjoyed the occasion.

Fred started his working life on a market garden on the Wirral in Cheshire where he was born – gardening remained a hobby and great interest for the whole of his life. When living in New Street, Cheltenham, he had two allotments and grew more than enough vegetables for the family. After moving to Innsworth Lane he had his own garden and loved his dahlias, chrysanthemums, roses, runner beans and tomatoes.

A short time after starting work on the market garden and given a timber sawyer apprenticeship he was called up to the army and joined the Cheshire Regiment. This is where he started long association with medical services after volunteering for training at medical school in Aldershot.

After his medical training Fred was posted to India in 1942 and served in the Far East during the Second World War until returning home on leave in 1946. Win had agreed to wait for him to return and he sent her an engagement ring in the post from the Far East. While at home on the short period of leave he married Win before again returning to the Far East. He finally returned home in 1947.

Fred now moved from Cheshire to Gloucester where he had a wide variety of jobs. He started as a postman for the GPO, then quickly moved to Hatherley Timber works while living at Tarrington Road.

On moving to Cheltenham, Frederick Eustace resumed his medical experience working as a nurse Salterley Grange for several years, however, his shifts at Salterley Grange did not allow him to see his sons David and Robert while they were up which led them to ask Mum who the strange man was that came. Upset by this he left Salterley Grange to get a job with more normal hours to be with and enjoy his family.

For a period of some 9 months he worked at H H Martins in Cheltenham who were manufacturing the interiors for Passenger Liners. Fred then got a job as a nurse at Cheltenham general Hospital where again he picked up his medical experience. Looking for an increase in pay he then succeeded in getting employment at GAC (Gloucester Aircraft Company), Brockworth where he worked as a fitter only to find his medical experience being called upon again and transferred to the Ambulance Station at Brockworth Engineering.

After working at Bentham for some 15 years the factory closed and he then got a job at the Coal Board in Stoke Orchard where yet again his medical experience called him to the Ambulance Room there. For a few years he worked at Dowty's propeller factory at Staverton.

His final job was as an electrical maintenance engineer at Gloucester Hospital and local district Hospitals where he worked for 22 years until his retirement in 1987.

From his first power assisted cycle to get to work at Salterley Grange he took a great interest in motorcycles and enjoyed going to Draper's Farm in Prestbury to watch Scramble Racing at the weekends. He also bought his own motorcycle on which he visited his home in Burton. Also, for several years he took the family on holiday to the Isle of Man to watch the TT races. He also went touring around Wales on Motorcycles with his friend Don Thompson. He loved his holidays and visiting family and friends.

Lives Remembered

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Hedley Dean Eustis

11 August 1935 - 1 July 2016

*A special smile, a special face, a special someone we can't replace,
Remembering you is easy we do it everyday
Missing you is the heartache that never goes away
There is a place in our hearts that only you can own
we love you and we always will,
until we are all together again for eternity*

Editor's Note: Hedley Dean Eustis served as the Eustace Families Association "Link" in Australia and New Zealand for many years.

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Family  Announcements

**EUSTACE
Frederick George
(Fred)**

On 6 June 2016,
Aged 93 years.

BURMA STAR RAMC

Dearly loved husband of wife Win, father of David and Robert and father-in-law of Annette and Mary, grandfather of Rachel, Sarah, Emma, Sharon and Adam, great-grandfather of Jemma, Sam, Beth, Spencer, Hollie, Callum, George, Mcaully, Jenson, Martha, Harriet, Peyton, Grace, Florence and Sebastian and great-great-grandfather of Charlie.

Special thanks for the loving care and attention at Bramble House Nursing Home.

Funeral service to be held at Holy Trinity Church, Longlevens on Thursday 30th June at 11am, followed by burial at Chosen Hill Burial Ground.

Family flowers only or donations in lieu for RNLi or Air Ambulance may be sent to

Co operative Funeralcare,
338 Barton St,
Gloucester.
GL1 4LE,
Tel. 01452 522676.

Please make cheques payable to the charity

Editor's Note: Frederick George Eustace was the father of David Eustace, EFA UK & Europe Link.

Lives Remembered



Paul Eustice and former British prime minister David Cameron

Paul Eustice, the founder of one of Cornwall's first ever pick-your-own farms and father of Camborne and Redruth MP George, has died after an eight year battle with a rare form of cancer.

Along with his wife, Adele, Mr Eustice opened the gates of their farm Trevaskis, near Hayle, to the public in 1979 and he grew the business into a popular attraction in its own right. His son George, who was elected to British Parliament in 2010 and is now a minister for agriculture, food and fisheries, paid tribute to his father farming and business acumen.

Read more at <http://www.westbriton.co.uk/tributes-paid-to-paul-eustice-of-trevaskis-farm-one-of-cornwall-s-first-pick-your-own-farms/story-29829019-detail/story.html#UCkotQ74HKhZx11W.99>

Reflections on my friendship with Paul Eustice.

I've known Paul for 55 years. The first time that we met was in 1961 - Paul, Eric Pascoe and myself qualified to travel in a small, select Cornwall School's Athletics Team, to compete in the All England Schools Finals - at Hull.

Paul - a pupil at Truro Cathedral School - possessed excellent levels of speed and strength - he was an outstanding 400m runner.

We were both fortunate to play in a magnificent Camborne Colts era - never losing a match during our three year span, against another Cornish Club. One of the highlights was our 1963-64 season win away against the unbeaten Bristol Colts - captained by the future England Senior International prop - Barry Nelmes.

Paul played superbly in our - 1963 County Colts Sevens Final Winners Team, defeating by 21 pts. to 8 pts. a very strong Penryn side that included three players who were to figure prominently in Cornwall's 1969 County Championship Final v Lancaster; - Ken Plummer (England); Gerry McKewan, (England Trialist) and Vernon Parkin (Bristol & Coventry).

By the 1964-65 Season - many of us had moved into the 1st. XV, including Paul. We were fortunate to be the two wingers in a famous 1964 Good Friday victory over the previously unbeaten, that calendar year - Saracens - captained by the current England No. 8 - George Sheriff. A late 55 yard penalty from scrum-half George Blake, secured an unforgettable win.

Paul and I were the wingers in another notable 1964 match. The game against a star-studded Capt. Crawshays XV - marking the last time that Camborne played the famous Welsh team, on an annual basis.

I left Camborne in Sept. '65 for student life and rugby, in London. Paul and I rarely played together for Camborne again - he had 1st. Team spells with Redruth & Hayle, but his heart has always been in Town rugby.

In recent years, through his Trevaskis Farm and Restaurant sponsorship, Paul and his son Giles, have provided major financial support to . He has also given excellent support to Brian and Ian with factors relating to grounds maintenance.

I will miss greatly the over a cup of coffee or pint, rugby discussions and reminiscences Paul was a gentleman - on and off the pitch. He played his rugby in the true spirit of the game - I never saw him involved in any aspect of foul play and he always treated opponents and match officials with respect. Paul was always excellent company in the clubhouse. He will be greatly missed by all of those in the 'family.'

R.I.P. Paul Eustice - it's been my great privilege to have been friends with you over so many years and to have shared so many wonderful times together. The memories will live on.
Roger Moyle

USELESS EUSTACE



"FOR HEAVEN'S SAKE, EUSTACE! NEXT TIME
LET ME MAKE THE TOAST!"

Jack Greenall was born in Whitefield, Lancashire, United Kingdom in 1905. He sold his first cartoon at the age of fifteen, and his first strip - "Pa, Ma and the Boy" - appeared in Pictorial Weekly in 1929. Greenall's early cartoon series were short-lived, and it was not until he created the single-frame "Useless Eustace" that he found a successful format. The first "Useless Eustace" cartoon appeared in the Daily Mirror on 21 January 1935, and thereafter appeared in every issue of the paper. At first drawn as a typical office-worker, Greenall later transformed Eustace into a comic symbol of the common man, and gave him any trade or profession that fitted the joke. Useless Eustace was Winston Churchill's favorite cartoon. Jack Greenall died in Lancing, Sussex, UK in July 1983.