

**Cauble–Rotan Family Reunion  
Whitney Theatre, Albany,  
Shackelford County, Texas  
18-20 June 2004**



*E7 Cauble Family  
Photographs*

Juriah Virginia Vines (13 Nov 1862 Sabine Parish, Louisiana-Nov 1957 Shackelford County, Texas) and Charles Monroe Cauble (05 Mar 1855 Hill County, Texas-30 July 1925 Shackelford Co., Texas) were married 23 March 1879 in Hill County, Texas. Charles Monroe Cauble was the seventh child of Sarah E. Green and Isaac Butler Cauble and a grandson of Mary Ann Rotan and Peter Cauble, Sr., of Tyler County, Texas.



From left: Juriah Vines Cauble, her son Bailey Butler Cauble E72, her grandson Joseph Edgar Cauble E724, and her great-grandson Joseph Bailey Cauble E7241 in Albany about 1945.

*Image submitted by Ann Cauble Lenhart E7242*



The historic home of Juriah Virginia Vines and Charles Monroe Cauble E7 still stands in Albany, Texas. The Caubles bought the house, located in Block Ten, Railroad Addition, on 27 July 1905 from Rose Ellen Matthews Conrad, the widow of Frank Eben Conrad, a prominent local merchant. The selling price of the house in 1905 was \$2,000, which equates to about \$40,000 in today's money. It was a bargain and it gave family members many happy days over the next fifty-two years.

Reportedly, the house had been built about 1884 for Mrs. Conrad and her children by her father, who was known locally as Uncle Joe Matthews and who had settled on the Clear Fork near Fort Griffin about 1861.

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Sketch by Bill Cauble*

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**Thanks to our reunion hosts—All E7 Descendants**

## Family Stories

### An Albany Christmas Memory

My favorite one [Christmas] was when I was about four years old [1911] and I lived with Grandma and Grandpa [Juriah Virginia Vines and Charles Monroe Cauble] up at the big house [in Albany]. I got a *rocky* horse and two silver dollars.

The tree was always kept locked behind closed doors in the parlor until Christmas morning. Every year Grandma baked a big fruit cake and it was aged in a big crock down in the basement, which she basted all year long with her homemade wine she called *Black Jack*.

Grandpa bought all us kids a big stalk of bananas and called down to Bryant-Link [a local store] and told them to give us a wheelbarrow full of fireworks.

—**Joseph Edgar Cauble E724 as told to Ann Cauble Lenhart E7242 and Brian Lenhart E72422**

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Texas, on 27-30 May 1988. The couple had a son, **Douglas Glen Cauble** and two grandchildren, **Bonnie** and **Christopher Cauble**.

**H23.10 Lavonia Cauble** (25 November 1919 Fisher County, Texas-19 March 2004 Abilene, Taylor County, Texas; buried Bellvieu Cemetery, Fisher County, Texas), the youngest child of Helena Olivia Ziegenfuss and James Andrew Cauble, grew up in Fisher County. On the 1920 U. S. census, she lived with her parents and siblings on their farm near Royston, Texas. After attending school at Royston, she married **Fred Oliver Loving** (18 March 1914 Stonewall County, Texas-06 May 1970 Fisher County, Texas; buried Bellvieu Cemetery, Fisher County, Texas) in 1937. Lavonia and Oliver Loving spent their life together in Fisher County, parenting four children—**Gail Barnes**, **Phyllis Goodwin**, **Fred Oliver Loving, Jr.**, and **Deborah Loving**. Lavonia Cauble Loving attended the third Cauble reunion at Lake Brownwood in July 1990 and at later reunions she was known for her peach cobbler. She lived in Abilene, Texas, in the last years of life.

**E1.12.2 Dorothy Voncille Cauble** (03 March 1912 Flagerman, New Mexico-25 April 2004 Big Spring, Howard County, Texas; buried Trinity Memorial Park, Howard County, Texas), a daughter of Virginia Dare Williams and James Pink Cauble, lived with her parents and siblings in Big Spring on the 1920 U. S. census. She married **Burnis Joiner Petty** (12 September 1896-August 1965; buried Trinity Memorial Park, Howard County, Texas) in 1933. After his death, she married **Herman Fowler** (03 September 1903-January 1979) in 1972. Dorothy attended the first Cauble Reunion at Biggs Ranch, Crawford, Texas, on 27-30 May 1988 and several later ones. Dorothy has been described by many as “one of a kind.” Without doubt, she was an independent woman who always preferred herding cattle to tending a house. Dorothy was a member of a Baptist church, Howard County Home Demonstration Club, Howard-Glasscock Old Settlers Reunion, Rebekah Lodge, and Farm Bureau.

*God, grant peace to these, your children.*



Cemetery, Parker County, Texas), daughter of **Nora May Tullous** (10 April 1887 Oklahoma Territory-04 July 1939 Midland County, Texas; buried Fairview Cemetery, Midland County, Texas) and **Rockdale [Fred] Cauble** (08 October 1872 Hill County, Texas-21 October 1938 Midland County, Texas; buried Fairview Cemetery, Midland County, Texas), lived her early life with her parents on part of the old Quien Sabe Ranch, located thirty-five miles south of Midland, Texas. Viola was educated through study with a teacher who lived on the ranch. On 24 October 1921, she married **Neil William Wickizer** (17 April 1897-03 April 1979 Parker County, Texas) and together they raised and exhibited registered Hereford cattle for fifty years. The couple ranched until their retirement, when they moved to Aledo, Texas. They were the parents of three children—only daughter **Mayola Wickizer Lasater** and daughter-in-law **Joe Alice Wickizer** survive. Viola had five grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. Viola attended the first Cauble Reunion at Biggs Ranch, Crawford, Texas, on 27-30 May 1988 and several later family reunions.

**E762 Frances Ann Cauble** (about 1925 Albany, Shackelford County, Texas-01 February 2004 Abilene, Taylor County, Texas; buried Albany Cemetery, Shackelford County, Texas) was born to **Allee Howsley** (11 August 1897 Texas-22 November 1973 Harris County, TX; buried Albany Cemetery, Shackelford County, Texas) and **Volley Monroe Cauble E76** (24 August 1896 Hill County, Texas-16 April 1940 Shackelford County, Texas; buried Albany Cemetery, Shackelford County, Texas). She married **Herman T. Harty** (30 September 1918-05 May 1995) in 1946. The couple had three children—**John Harty**, **Carolyn Harty Howard**, and **Sherry Harty Baker**. Frances Ann Cauble Harty had eight grandchildren and eighteen great-grandchildren.

**E1.13.2 Douglas John Cauble** (03 May 1914 Van Horn, Culberson County, Texas-01 March 2004 San Angelo, Tom Green County, Texas; buried Stiles Cemetery, Reagan County, Texas), a son of **Julia Mary Jane Anderson** and **Euclid Gideon Cauble, Sr.**, grew up on his parents' Reagan County ranch. After graduation from Stiles High School, he began ranching on his own. He met **Georgia Mae McKinley** (22 February 1921 Hooker, Texas County, Oklahoma-02 March 2000 San Angelo, Tom Green County, Texas; buried Stiles Cemetery, Reagan County, Texas) when she worked at Marie Weeg Clinic and they married on 22 November 1941 at Howard County, Texas. Douglas joined the Army Air Corp shortly after December 7, 1941, and served three years in New Guinea. He enjoyed flying and continued as an active pilot for more than fifty years. The couple lived on their Reagan County ranch until they moved to San Angelo in 1989. Douglas and Georgia attended the first Cauble Reunion at Biggs Ranch, Crawford,

**Texas Cauble Family Association  
Cauble-Rotan Family Reunion  
Whitney Theater, Albany, Texas  
June 18-20, 2004**

Friday, June 18 2:00-6:00 p.m.	Visiting and <a href="#">refreshments</a> at the Whitney; or, shopping and sight-seeing in and around Albany
6:00 p.m.	Chuck-Wagon meal by Bill Cauble's Western Wagons, serving on the courthouse lawn across the street, or at a restaurant of one's choosing
After dinner	Visiting, games, scrapbook viewing at the Whitney; Fandangle at dark for those choosing to attend this evening.
<i>Caps, aprons, T-shirts [\$10 each], and stationery [\$5 each package] are on sale as fund-raisers to cover the cost of this and future reunions and to maintain cemeteries and our ancestral home. Please buy something to help.</i>	
Saturday, Juneteenth 9:00-10:00 a.m.	Registration: <b>Gwen Chick MH23531</b> , Treasurer, and/or <b>Connie Baker Wallner C22221</b> , Secretary, in charge. Visiting; photographing of old pictures and documents; viewing of many scrapbooks.
10:00 a.m.	Visiting; entertainment by volunteers; games; Board Meeting to discuss future plans of family association. <b>Kiefer Cauble H2361</b> , presiding.
11:30 a.m.	Welcome by President <b>Kiefer Cauble H2361</b> Introduction of all E7 descendants and Juriah Vines and Charles Monroe Cauble biographies by <b>James Sterling Cauble E7223</b>
12:00 noon	Noon meal is \$6.00 per person. Prayer before meal led by <b>Kiefer Cauble H2361</b>

Remember our family members serving in the military:

*U. S. Army*

**Carol R. [Trey] Caldwell C762121** home from Iraq

**Todd Christmas D6.10.321** home from Iraq

**Jerry Futch of D8 family**, who may be discharged by now

**Paul Hill MH231213** in Iraq

**Justin Wimberley MH236111** in Afghanistan

*U. S. Marines*

**James Leonard Saint E151112** home from Iraq

*U. S. Navy*

**Erin Bell H232212**

**James Andrew Tanner H127111** aboard the *U. S. S. George Washington*.

Remember our family members who have serious health concerns, the elderly, and all children.

12:30 p.m. Introduction of speaker by **Bill Cauble E7221**

Our speaker is **Bob Green**, a Shackelford County rancher, local historian, and author of *Okinawa Odyssey*. We are happy to host a book-signing for the speaker's new book before the business meeting.

1:00 p.m. Dessert contest winners announced and awards presented by **Jessie Cauble Pendergrass H239**, chair.

Recognition of long-distance attendees, of oldest attendee, and of youngest attendee;  
Door Prizes with **Dan Chick H23531**, in charge

1:30 p.m. Book-signing session, honoring **Bob Green** and **Bill Cauble**; this is your chance to buy signed copies of their interesting books. Bathroom break.

1:50 p.m. Business Meeting  
President **Kiefer Cauble H2361**, presiding

\*Reading of reconstructed minutes for last meeting, **Connie Baker Wallner C22221**, Secretary

\* Report of treasurer  
**Gwen Chick MH23531**, Treasurer

## Those Who Have Recently Departed This Life

**MD623 James Robert Leeton, Sr.** (21 February 1919 Merkel, Taylor County, Texas-06 September 2003 Midland, Midland County, Texas; buried Greenwood Cemetery, Fort Worth, Tarrant County, Texas), a son of **Mary Isla McDonald** and **H. B. Leeton**, married **Peggy Lewis D623** on 14 January 1943 at Turner Air Field Chapel, Albany, Georgia. Jim Leeton was a pilot and flight instructor during World War II and practiced law in Fort Worth and Midland until his retirement in 1978. Jim was the father of **Lucy Leeton Link** (1945-1998), **James R. Leeton, Jr.**, **Katherine Leeton Fowler**, **Patricia Leeton**, and **Elizabeth Leeton Shipman**.

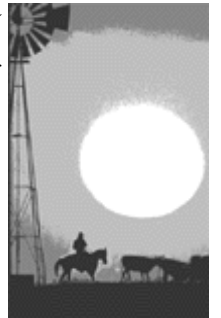
**MD638 Cecil R. Warren** (13 March 1932 Hamilton County, Texas-27 September 2003 Midland County, Texas; buried Fairview Cemetery, Midland, Texas), a son of **Maudie** and **John Eldee Warren**, and husband of **Dorothy Virginia Lewis D638**. He was the father of **Pat Awbrey**, **Linda Galloway**, and **Wayne Warren**.

**MH2321 Mildred V. Snapp** (01 August 1921 Fisher County, Texas-14 October 2003 Grande Prairie, Dallas-Tarrant counties, Texas; buried Grove Hill Memorial Park, Dallas County, Texas), a daughter of **Maggie M. \_\_\_\_** (about 1882 South Carolina-after 1930), and **George D. Snapp** (1880 Arkansas-before 1920 Texas). She married **Benny Lee Hearn**, the natural son of **Maggie Lee Lightfoot** and **Rector Ernest Cauble H232** in 1941. The couple had a son and a daughter—**Lorraine Walker** and **Ben Hearn**.

**John A. Rotan Descendant, Cecile Reed** (29 June 1919 on her parents' ranch in Sterling County, Texas-10 December 2003 San Angelo, Tom Green County, Texas) was the only child of **Bill and Neita Reed**, pioneer Sterling County ranchers. She married **Chesley McDonald** in August 1940, after graduating from Abilene Christian College that year with honors. The couple's children are **Dr. Don McDonald**, **Celia McDonald Davis**, and **Jeanie McDonald Bird**. Cecile was a Bible scholar and a gifted cook, who was widely-known for her hospitality. Except for her college years and those at the end of her life, Cecile was grateful to live life on her beloved ranch.

**E512 Viola Elizabeth Cauble** (28 February 1906 Midland, Midland County, Texas-29 December 2003 Weatherford, Parker County, Texas; buried Aledo Brown

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## In Memory of Those Who Have Departed

*O God, whose mercies cannot be numbered: Accept our prayers on behalf of thy servants and grant them an entrance into the land of light and joy, in the fellowship of thy saints; through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.*

— *The Book of Common Prayer, 1977*

\* Report of Board Meeting,  
including decision about date and site of  
next reunion

\* President's Comments—thanks to those  
who volunteer their time, pay dues, and  
contribute to the upkeep of Historic Peter  
Cable House and ancestral cemeteries

\* Old business

\* New business

Election of officers and directors for next term,  
**Roy Hughes C14232**, presenting the nominat-  
ing committee report

\* Remembering those who have died  
**Julia Cauble Smith H2353**, Registrar

2:35 p.m.

Cauble and allied family stories told by  
anyone who has a good family story about  
growing up in earlier times.

3:00 p.m.

Posing for family pictures

3:15-6:00 p.m.

Visit to the historic home of Juriah Vines and  
Charles Monroe Cauble; Visit to Albany  
Cemetery; shopping and sight-seeing; or, visit-  
ing, games, scrapbook viewing, and snacking at  
the Whitney

6:00 p.m.

Chuck-wagon meal served on courthouse lawn  
or a restaurant of your choosing

After dinner

Games, visiting, scrapbook viewing at Whit-  
ney; Fandangle at dark for those attending

Sunday, June 20

9:00 a. m.

Coffee and sweet rolls [cost \$2.00] followed by  
a devotional and prayer, **James Sterling Cau-  
ble E7223**, presiding

## Gladys' Story

Our lives have been closely involved with Jack Mansfield and ranching. During the depression, my father, **H. C. Collett**, moved his family to El Indio Ranch near Eagle Pass, where he worked for Mr. Mansfield. **Jack Cauble** also worked for the Mansfields. This is where Jack and I met. We married June 29, 1935, in Eagle Pass. Our first home was two rooms and a path. All the water was hauled from a dirt tank. Jack's wages were sixty dollars a month.

Two children were born in 1937—Peggy in January and Jack Howard in December. In 1939 our family moved to Alamosa Ranch, north of Vega, Texas, which Jack Mansfield and Houston Harte had purchased. I did not like the flatness of the panhandle, so I was pleased that Alamosa Ranch was on rough and rolling land. Bruce was born there in 1941.

Jack did not serve during World War II because he had a family and was needed on the ranch. Since so many men had gone to war, women had to help with the fall and spring roundup. This meant getting up before dawn, riding horseback many miles to gather cattle for branding. Sometimes, we women ran the branding iron and vaccinating needle, which seemed fun to us because we were too young to know it was hard work.

The winters were quite severe with lots of deep snow. One time we were running short of food and could not get to Vega in the car. Jack hitched mules to the two-wheel cart and drove us to town. The snow was belly deep to the mules in some places along the road. The children and I spent several days in town, staying at Mrs. Bessie Montgomery's hotel. After a few days cooped up in a small room with three small children, I was glad to get back to the ranch, even on an open sled that was pulled through drifts by a tractor.

Some years later we moved to Albany where Jack's folks lived. He tried oil field work, but was soon back on a ranch near Albany. We stayed there several years, then moved to Sheffield, Texas, where Jack went into the trucking business. The next move was back to Alamosa Ranch where we stayed until Peggy, Jack, and Bruce finished Vega High School. We traveled many miles to attend the football games while Jack was a star player. Peggy was a cheerleader and queen candidate all four years of high school. She was finally crowned queen her senior year.

In 1958 we moved to Quien Sabe Ranch, west of Channing. After twelve years there, Jack retired and we moved into Vega. He still works at Alamosa Ranch some for the Mansfields and I have worked at Vega Drug Store for almost ten years.

Our children have gone their separate ways. Bruce, our only cowboy, and his wife Ramona live on a ranch north of Amarillo. Their children are Rhett, Brandi, and Skelly. Jack and Ester live in Wichita, Kansas, where Jack works for Overhead Door Company. Their children are Gary, Jacque, and Jeffery. Peggy has lived in San Diego, California, for more than twenty years. She works as an assistant to a plastic surgeon. Her children are Debi, Theresa, and Tom.

— Gladys Collett Cauble, about 1980, Vega, Texas

