



Gate to the peaceful Matthews Cemetery near Reynolds Bend in Throckmorton County, Texas, was photographed by **Al H. Smith MH2353** on 14 July 2012. It was part of the tour of historic places led by **Doris and Bill Cauble E7221** and **Shelly Cauble Baize E72222**. Those who attended were unaware previously of the history and beauty of the area. We hope to offer a similar tour at the 2013 Cauble-Rotan Family Reunion. Thanks to our tour leaders for an enjoyable afternoon.

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Cauble-Rotan Family Report

September 2012

President's Letter

Greetings Kin,

I hope this finds you well, although I know some still need our prayers. Please remember them. School has started along with all its activities. Hopefully, those of you with children are adjusting to your new schedules.

In July we celebrated our 25th Annual Cauble-Rotan Family Reunion at Stasney's Cook Ranch near Albany, Texas, and it was a huge success. Believe it or not, I did not have a single complaint from anyone. That's unusual for a group of around ninety people, especially when we are all related. We started Friday with a good turnout for the potluck dinner, visiting, and catching up on family news. A dozen children entered the fishing contest. Although the fishing was slow, they all had a fun time and did not want it to end. **Brad Christmas** handed out prizes to the winners and then we were entertained by **George and Gale Rotan** and their two grandchildren, **Lista and Kam Sneed**. They sang and played both gospel and bluegrass music which was enjoyed by everyone. We hope they do an encore performance next year.

Saturday began with registration, visiting, scrapbooks viewing, and picture taking. **Becky Christmas** gave a presentation on our nation's flag and what each fold represents as **Brad and Will Christmas** folded the flag. That flag was then presented to me as representative of the Texas



Reunion group photograph was made by Jim Wallner.

President's Letter

Cauble Family Association and it will fly at all future reunions and family gatherings.

Lunch was catered by **Bill Cauble** and as usual it was excellent. We had two choices of meat and vegetables along with a salad and tea and it was still only \$10. That's quite a bargain. We had eighty-three pay for meals, so I am assuming we had close to ninety in attendance.

After lunch, **Shelly Baize** announced the dessert contest winners —**Dan Cauble, Aubry Nell Cauble, and Renee Cauble**. A short business meeting followed. This was an election year and since there were no nominations for any of the offices, current officers agreed to serve another two-year term.

Kaylee Carr, Sydnie Long, and Katie Watkins were introduced as 2012 winners of the **Capt. Todd Christmas Memorial Scholarship** and each was presented with a check for \$1000 and a memory plaque. These are outstanding young women and we wish them well. We also expect them to keep us informed on how they are doing during the school year.

At this time we are still searching for a location for the 2013 reunion. We were informed on Friday of the reunion that the cost of the Cook Shack would double. We feel that \$1500 is too much to pay and we do not want to start charging attendees a fee at registration. Bill is looking for another place in the Albany area. We want to find one with a lake or stock tank for our fishing contest and a place where the children can play outside. We are thinking about the second weekend in July for the date and at present the Whitney Theatre is still available. One possibility is to meet at an outdoor location on Friday and move to the Whitney on Saturday. We will keep you informed on our findings and decisions to give you plenty of time to make reservations.

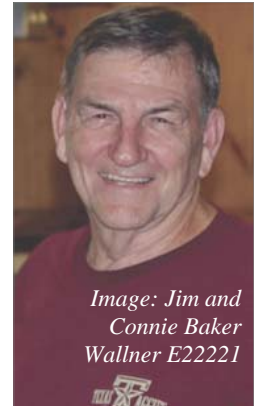
After the business meeting, door and special prizes were handed out, followed by an arts and crafts

auction with **Dan Chick** as auctioneer and all the children as his helpers. It was fun and we raised \$1044 for the scholarship fund. Thanks to everyone who brought auction items and to all who had winning bids.

Following the auction **Bill and Doris Cauble** led a tour of some of the historical places in the area of Lambshead Ranch in Throckmorton County.

Have a great year and remember to keep us informed of any changes in your family or your address.

God bless,
James



*Image: Jim and
Connie Baker
Wallner E22221*

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Editor's Note of Special Thanks to:

Karen Helms for desserts on Friday evening;
Brad, Becky, and Will Christmas for the fishing fun and the flag presentation;
Gale and George Rotan for the concert;
Lista and Kam Sneed for their performances;
Dan Chick for overseeing breakfast Saturday and for creating a fun auction;
Bill and Doris Cauble for reduced cost for Saturday lunch and for the historic tour;
Rick and Elaine Cauble for memory plaques;
Jim and Connie Baker Wallner for photographs;
James and Ernestine Cauble for table decorations, hosting the reunion, and cleaning up;
All who paid dues, and;
All who made special contributions to Cemetery Maintenance, DNA Project, and Captain Todd Christmas Memorial Scholarship Fund.

Our 2012 Scholars



Kailee Carr H132111 posed with her grandparents, **Pat and Dan P. Cauble H1321**, her mother, **Judy Cauble Bryant H13211**, and stepfather, **David Bryant**, after receiving the Capt. Todd Christmas Memorial Scholarship. The award consists of a memory plaque and a \$1000 check for college expenses.

Kailee will spend the next term at Hill College where she plays softball.

Image: Shawn Chick H235311



The charming **Sydnie Long H236231** was all smiles as she accepted the Capt. Todd Christmas Memorial Scholarship from **Becky and Brad Christmas D6.10.32** at the 2012 family reunion. Sydnie was a 2011 recipient as well and plans to transfer to Texas A&M University at College Station for the fall semester. She was enrolled at the Galveston campus of TAMU during her freshman year.

Image: Shawn Chick H235311

Our 2012 Scholars



Above: **Katie Watkins C1423221** was pictured in front of her parents, **Mike and Karen Hughes Watkins C142322** and beside her grandmother **Lue Hughes WC14232**. Also pictured were **Becky and Brad Christmas D6.10.32** and **Will Christmas D6.10.323**, scholarship supporters.

Right: Katie gave her thanks to the group. She will attend college in Arkansas.

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Sydnie Long H236231, 2012 winner of Capt. Todd Christmas Memorial Scholarship, posed with her grandfather, **Sid Long MH2362**, her mother **Lin Long H23623**, and her grandmother **Carolyn Cauble Long H2362** after the awards were made at the 2012 family reunion.

Image: Shawn Chick H235311

At 2012 Cauble-Rotan Family Reunion



Mildred and her Waterford vase

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At 2012 Cauble-Rotan Family Reunion

Family Secretary **Connie Baker Wallner E22221** and 2012 Scholar **Kailee Carr H132111** looked over the merits of an object.



Image: Shawn Chick H23531



Gavin Armistead, a guest of his mentor, **Dan Chick H23531**, took time out of his busy play for a spontaneous nap on the sofa.



Image: Shawn Chick H23531



Fishing contestants posed happily with their sponsors, **Will Christmas D6.10.323** and **Brad Christmas D6.10.32**



Image: Jim and Connie Baker Wallner E22221

In the kitchen: **Fred Ivy E22211**, a first-time reunion attendee, joined **Jack Cauble E1512** and **Jim Wallner ME22221** for conversation.



Image: Shawn Chick H23531



A domino game seemed to call for concentration by **Patrick Fortner MH13212** [left] and his sons **Daniel** and **Joseph**. At right in deep thought were **Dan Chick H23531** and **Kennedy Carr H132112** with his back to the camera.



Image: Shawn Chick H23531

Family News

New Descendant



Image: Revis Cauble Leonard H23611

Phillipa Adelaide Alixe Gerdes H2361114 was born recently to **Kristi Nell Bookout Gerdes H236111** and her husband **Stephen Michael Gerdes** in San Antonio, Texas.

Adelaide is a granddaughter of **Revis Cauble Leonard H23611** and **Tommy Leonard**. Her great-grandparents are **Aubry Nell Dennis and Kiefer C. Cauble H2361**. We welcome Adelaide to our family!

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Contributions to Capt. Todd Christmas Memorial Scholarship Fund have been given in memory of

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Earl Ernest Bluhm, Sr. MH127 (1914-2012)

Mary Helen Teague Cauble MH242 (1924-2012)

John Duane Basham H2212(1926-2012)

Patrick Rudolf Levý E13613 (1967-2012)

Rheba Irene Grissam Cauble WE1.12.4 (1920-2012)

by Al H. and Julia Cauble Smith H2353

Family Website

Sylvia Caldwell Rankin C76211, our webmaster, and her staff manage our family website. Access it at <http://cauble-rotan.org>. Family researchers will find much of our genealogical research posted at our site. Many thanks to our talented and generous cousin, Sylvia.

Family Facebook Page

To post thoughts, news, and research questions go to our family association Facebook page at www.facebook.com/TexasCauble. We will check to see what is new with you.

We Get Letters

We would like to give a big THANK YOU to everyone at the reunion for being so nice and just accepting us as part of the family. Each person has been so kind and has made us feel right at home. We've been to other reunions that were mostly grandparents, cousins, aunts, uncles, and siblings [of the same family] and another reunion where no one noticed someone new was there! I think it is neat that there are people [in our family association] that represent the different branches of the one big family! Again, thank you to the Cauble-Rotan family. We hope to see you again next year.

Gale and George Rotan RE2112

Nolan, Texas

*Image by Jim and Connie
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I am stunned when I think of the beautiful vase the reunion group gave me in recognition of my being the oldest member present at the 25th reunion. My birthday being so near made it doubly wonderful. Thank you! Thank you!

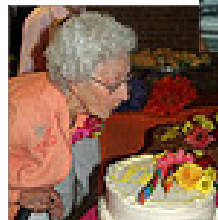
Julia, your expertise in history has given our family a great, great gift. Your work and love in developing the family reunion and managing the newsletter through all these years will never be forgotten by members. I know the work and planning took a lot of thought and caring. You have made each reunion a special event. There are others who have followed into the pattern and you guided them so well. Each president has contributed so much and James is so special.

Please word a thank-you to the family group in the next newsletter. This reunion will be one of a kind in my memory. I also thank Al for all he has done.

With all my love,

Mildred Cauble Callihan E1.13.3

Big Spring, Texas



Images of Mildred and her birthday party on 4th of August were made by Jim and Connie Baker Wallner E22221

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Dear Gwen,

Just wanted to drop a note to let you know how much we appreciate the gift of \$500 from the Cauble Family. It is always a blessing to hear from you and we love your family. We have had a great summer and have had many kids come through our facilities. May God give you His best.

Sincerely,

Bro. Steve Hays

Editor's Note:

Camp Ta-Ku-La maintains our ancestral home, the Historic Peter Cauble House and Cauble-Burch Cemetery. We are pleased to be able to contribute \$500 each year to the work of Bro. Hays and the Christian camp.

Roby Cemetery is a folk cemetery where a large number of Cauble descendants are buried. Roby Cemetery, like Prairie Grove Cemetery, and Old Woodbury Cemetery, gladly and gratefully receives \$200 from our family association each year.

The Roby Cemetery Association thanks you
for your generous contribution
in memory of your loved ones.



Your gift is a blessing and
will go toward the maintenance
and beautification of our cemetery.

Those Who Are Gone



Image: Obituary

Patrick Rudolf Levý E13613 (14 April 1967 Fort Ord, California-8 August 2012 Austin, Texas; cremated), a son of **Jane Garrett E1361** and **Rudolf Victory Levý** (1930-2001), attended The University of Texas in Austin, where he was an accomplished diver with the Longhorn Aquatics Diving Club and The University of Texas diving team. Patrick worked as a diving clown off a 100-foot platform in Barcelona, Spain, after the 1992 Olympic Games. He also made several stunt dives off Mansfield Dam for a movie. He was an adventurous man who loved life. Patrick searched for spiritual peace, which his family feels he found with his beloved Golden Retriever, **Deuce**, and his family by his bed when he departed this life. Patrick's memorial service will be held on 6 October 2012 at Bethany United Methodist Church on Anderson Mill Road in Austin. Patrick is survived by his mother, **Jane Garrett Levý**, his sister, **Laurie Levý E13611**, his brother, **Andrew Levý E13612**, a large extended family across Texas, and a host of friends.

Rheba Irene Grissam Cauble WE1.12.4 (9 March 1920-10 July 2012 Big Spring, Howard County, Texas; buried Trinity Memorial Park, Howard County, Texas), a daughter of **Caroline** (1893-28 March 1944; buried Mount Olive Memorial Park, Howard County, Texas) and **Charley Melton Grissam** (9 April 1898-1963; buried Mount Olive Memorial Park, Howard County, Texas), married **James P. [Buster] Cauble, Jr., E1.12.4** (1916-2003), a son of **Virginia Dare Williams** and **James Pink Cauble E1.12.**, on 11 August 1944.



Image: Obituary

They had a daughter, **Jannine**. Since Buster was an old-time cowboy and ranch foreman, the couple lived on West Texas ranches around Big Spring. Buster and Rheba were charter members of Texas Cauble Family Association and attended the first Cauble Reunion at Biggs Ranch, Crawford, Texas, on 27-30 May 1988. Siblings of Rheba Grissam Cauble were **Thurlo Grissam**, **Garner Grissam**, and **Charlene Grissam McKinnon**.

Our American Heroes



*Thanks to
Revis Cauble Leonard
H23611 for posting this
Wounded Warrior Project
image on Facebook.*

We remember them!

Remembering Those Currently Serving in Our Nation's Military

*U. S. Army: **Thomas Aquinas Bayer II** MD249211; **Mary Loughlin Bayer** D249211*

***Paul Hill** MH231213; **Scott Atwood** H231211 in Iraq; **Trenton H. Yarter** H29122*

***Tanner Green**, allied kin of H2353 family is home from Afghanistan;*

***Jacey Shack** E722215; **Jonathan Batte** H132113S, West Point*

*U. S. Marines: **Brent Cauble** E723312*

*U. S. Navy: **Brandi Baize** E72222S; **Michael Douglas Hunt** E146121*

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This genealogical newsletter is distributed online. It is dedicated to documenting the lives of Peter Cauble, Sr. (1786 NC-1870 Tyler Co. TX), his wife, Mary Ann Rotan (1794 SC-1860 Tyler Co. TX), and their thousands of descendants. The aim is also to report the news and genealogical research of Texas Cauble Family Association.

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