The August Celebration Newsletter

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THE 2026 FAMILY REUNION DATES JUNE 19, 20, 21

✨ Mark your calendars — we're heading to Pittsburgh for a weekend of love, laughter, and legacy! 🖤💛

📢 Spread the word and make sure your info is up to date. we are using a new system this year

👉🏻 Update here:
mccoyupdate.earnnowwithai.com/mccoyupdate







August 2 – John McCoy
Parents: John & Mattie McCoy
Descendant of: Willie Joel McCoy & Needa Williams McCoy

August 3 – Jalen Rhodes
Parents: James & Celeste Rhodes
Descendant of: Minnie Lee McCoy Henderson & Ira C Henderson

August 5 – Kamoni Perry
Parents: DaNai Perry
Descendant of: Willie Joel McCoy & Needa Williams McCoy

August 6 – Mylez Greene
Parents: Roger & Marlana Henderson
Descendant of: Minnie Lee McCoy & Ira C. Henderson

August 6 – Jimmie Scott
Parents: Willie Scott Sr & Shirley Smith Scott
Descendant of: Jannie Mae McCoy Smith & Eugene Smith

August 7 – Riva Davis
Parents: Wilbert McCoy and Elizabeth McKinney
Descendant of: Ellis Bradford McCoy & Vessie Glenn McCoy

August 7 – Jordan Rhodes
Parents: James & Celeste Rhodes
Descendant of: Minnie Lee McCoy Henderson & Ira C Henderson

August 8 – Victoria Scott
Parents: Wife of Jimmie Scott
Descendant of: Jannie Mae McCoy Smith & Eugene Smith

August 8 – Dennis Smith Jr.
Parents: Dennis Sr. & Mary Smith
Descendant of: Eddie Walter McCoy & Clorenda Anderson McCoy

August 8 – Debbie Smith-Cook
Parents: Salt & Jackie Smith
Descendant of: Jannie Mae McCoy Smith & Eugene Smith

August 11 – Linda McCoy
Parents: Willie and Mary McCoy
Descendant of: Ellis Bradford McCoy & Vessie Glenn McCoy

August 12 – Darin Perry
Parents: Husband of Dana McCoy Perry
Descendant of: Willie Joel McCoy & Needa Williams McCoy

August 17 – Ciera Miley
Parents: Teri (McCoy) Wiggins & Casey Ireland
Descendant of: Ellis Bradford McCoy & Vessie Glenn McCoy

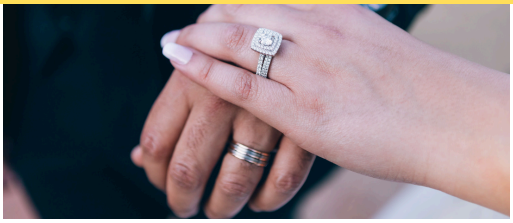
August 18 – Angie Smith-Gilliam
Parents: Rudy and Daisy Smith
Descendant of: Jannie Mae McCoy Smith & Eugene Smith

August 20 – Jimmie Rhodes JR
Parents: James & Celeste Rhodes
Descendant of: Minnie Lee McCoy Henderson & Ira C Henderson

August 23 – Alphonso Rembert Jr.
Parents: Riva (McCoy) Davis & Alphonso Rembert
Descendant of: Ellis Bradford McCoy & Vessie Glenn McCoy

August 28– Teri Wiggins
Parents: Wilbert McCoy & Elizabeth Duffie
Descendant of: Ellis Bradford McCoy & Vessie Glenn McCoy

August 31 – Dana Perry
Parents: John & Mattie McCoy
Descendant of: Willie Joel McCoy & Needa Williams McCoy



August 19 –Melvin & Erika Redd
Parents: Robert & Dorothy Mae Henderson Pitts
Descendant of: Minnie Lee McCoy & Ira C. Henderson











August 30 –Michael & Crystal Smith
Parents: Bob & Rutha Smith
Descendant of: Jannie Mae McCoy Smith & Eugene Smith





We are So Proud of Each of You & Your Accomplishments. Congrats!



🎉**JaydenGonzalez**
Starts his College Journey on **August 18th** at Morgan State University
Parents: Tia & Carliss Adams Eldridge
Descendant of: Jannie Mae McCoy Smith & Eugene Smith



🎉**Alex Eldridge**
Starts her College Journey on **August 18th** at Hampton University
Parents: Grant & Stephanie Eldridge
Descendant of: Jannie Mae McCoy Smith & Eugene Smith



🎉**Yaree Carter**
Starts her College Journey on **August 19th** at Penn State University
Parents: Maya & Ace Foster
Descendant of:Minnie Lee McCoy & Ira C. Henderson







🌹 **August 4, 2025** – Eugene "Salt" Smith
Parents: Jannie Mae McCoy Smith & Eugene Smith, Sr.

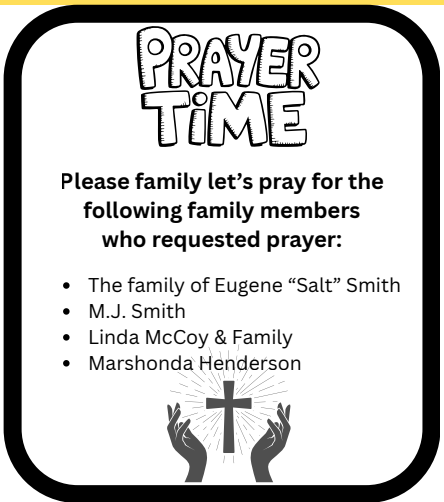
Gone but Not Forgotten. We Love You until we meet again.



New Births Since Last Reunion & or Last Newsletter



🎉**May 20, 2025 –Jacobi Roberts**
Parents: Madison & Reggie Roberts
Descendant of: Jannie Mae McCoy Smith & Eugene Smith





✅ **Innovative Business Services, LLC Andrea Pollard, Founder/CEO**
🌟 Virtual Assistant -
https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61559857972236

✅ **Hook'd Crochet Creations – Anissa Rutledge Brown**
🧶 Handmade crochet fashion, accessories & home décor
🔗 **Hookdcrochet.com**

✅ **Code Differently – Grant & Stephanie Eldridge**
💻 Tech training, workforce development & staffing
🔗 **codedifferently.com or @codedifferently**

✅ **Mo Betta Blu's – Alcestis "Blu" Henderson**
🍽️ Soulful food catering made with love
📱 **Facebook: Mo Betta Blus | Instagram: @mobettablus**

✅ **RTS HR Consulting, LLC. – Celeste Rhodes**
🎨Human Resources Services
🔗 **Visit - www.linkedin.com/in/celeste-rhodes-70600720**

✅ **Brand New You Coaching and Consulting – WApostle Dr Victoria Scott**
Global and Executive Leadership Consulting
We lead the established and establish new leaders through Leadership Brilliancy and mentoring programs.
Connect: IG: @ApostlevicScott

✅ **Changed Living at Brad's Place Inc. – Willie Alfreida McCoy, Founder/CEO**
🌟 Reentry services, social support for children of incarcerated parents, and substance abuse recovery resources.

✅ **Artful Acres – Kendrick Fanniel**
🎨 Handmade soaps, plants, and original art.
🔗 **Visit - www.tiktok.com/@artfulacresllc**

✅ **Dreamtime Enterprises LLC – Alisa Gentry**
✈️ Travel planning services to help make your dream vacation a reality. (678) 296-1972

✅ **Global Impact Providers – Marshonda Henderson**
🤖 AI automation services for small businesses, plus marketing support to help you grow multiple income streams.
📱 **Facebook: UnleashYourAIGenius**

✅ **Karen (Kerry) Miller – AVON Independent Representative**
💄 Beauty & Skincare Delivered to Your Door
🛍️ www.youravon.com/kmiller1422 | 📞 **(615) 268-0076**

✅ **Cherished One Home Care – Henry Gentry**
🧑🏽‍⚕️ Compassionate Care for Veterans & Seniors
🏡 cherishedonehomecare.com

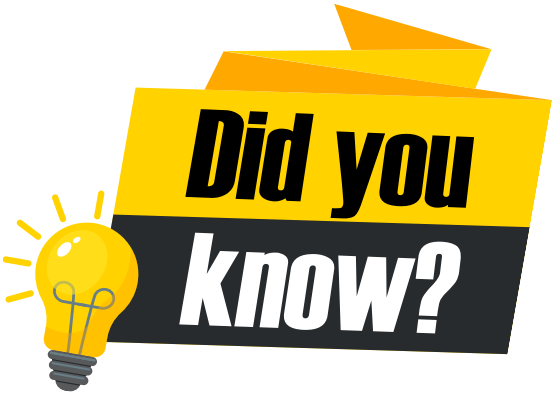
LET'S UPLIFT & SUPPORT THE AMAZING ENTREPRENEURS IN OUR FAMILY! 💚



For September, since graduations will be few, we'd love to honor any family members who have served in the Armed Forces. Plus We're also adding a Youth Spotlight for anyone under 35 to share their talents and gifts with the world. Encourage our military family members and our young people to submit, or share on their behalf!

👉🏽 Submit your September info here:
https://tinyurl.com/MCcoySeptemberCelebrations





Since our next reunion will be over Juneteenth weekend we thought it would be great to share not only some family history but some other all black history each month

✅ **Frederick McKinley Jones** – Invented the refrigerated truck system that revolutionized food transportation
✅ **Granville T. Woods** – Invented the telegraphony (a device combining a telephone and telegraph) and improved electrical railway systems.
✅ **Lewis Latimer** – Invented the carbon filament that made light bulbs longer-lasting and more practical.
✅ **Lonnie G. Johnson** – Invented the Super Soaker water gun and holds over 100 patents.
✅ Marie Van Brittan Brown – Invented the home security system with closed-circuit TV monitoring.

McCoy Family Fact: (Family we need your support in providing these golden family nuggets)
✅ Cousin Stephanie Smith-Eldridge is making a big impact! She's the CEO of Code Differently, helping underprivileged communities gain tech training for career opportunities. Recently featured in Delaware Business Times — see article here: https://delawarebusinesstimes.com/supplements/de222/de22-honoree-stephanie-eldridge/ and had the opportunity to ring the bell on the NY Stock Exchange Floor. We are so proud of you Stephanie keep up the awesome job — she also had the honor of ringing the bell on the NY Stock Exchange floor. We're so proud of you, Stephanie — keep up the amazing work!🙌🏽

✅ Great Grandfather PA believed in building a legacy for his children's children. He purchased land in Blakley to ensure his family for generations would have something to call their own — and to this day, much of that land remains in our family's possession.❤️



📬 Final Note from the Planning Team
This newsletter is created with love and is never meant to exclude anyone. We share the info provided by family members who completed the form, and if we missed someone, please accept our apologies and grace as we grow this together. 🤍
For September, remember we have 2 new groups to spotlight any **family members who have served in the Armed Forces** and our **Youth Spotlight for anyone under 35** to share their talents and gifts with the world. Encourage our young people to submit, or share on their behalf!
Our goal is to continue this monthly, so start gathering our September celebrations now!
👉🏻 Submit your September info here: https://tinyurl.com/MCcoySeptemberCelebrations
We also need your help!
📍 We're collecting physical addresses for all VIP family members (Ma & Pa's living grandchildren (the sons & daughters of Ma & Pa's 6 kids).
👥 Plus, we're looking for 2–3 volunteers from each of Ma & Pa's family lines to help us gather birthdays, anniversaries, phone numbers, and more.
If you're willing to help or have questions, please reach out:
📱 Text us at 412-414-8443 🌐 Or connect with us on Facebook: McCoy Family Facebook Group
Let's continue celebrating, connecting, and preserving our beautiful legacy—together. 🤍

1 THESSALONIANS 5:16–18 (NIV)
"REJOICE ALWAYS, PRAY CONTINUALLY, GIVE THANKS IN ALL CIRCUMSTANCES; FOR THIS IS GOD'S WILL FOR YOU IN CHRIST JESUS."

