From: "Susie Hale" <shale24@charter.net>

Subject: Re: VanTilburgh Info

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To: "Samuel Minter" <abulsme@abulsme.com>

Hello, Samuel,

I was delighted to find your message in my mailbox today. Your great-grandmother, Mary VanTilburgh Brandon, was a sister to my grandfather, Charles Vantilburg (he chose to drop the H). Charles was #13 of 13 children and Mary was #5. I have pleasant recollections of visits to her home on trips to Ohio with my grandparents and mother. Aunt Mary was always present at the Van Tilburgh reunions and her keen memory was a valuable resource for the gathering of our family history.

Your grandmother, Marion, was a faithful correspondent of the Reunion until shortly before her death. She was a good friend to my grandmother, Margaret, and my mother, Eleanor. I believe that your mother has been in touch recently with Luella VanTilburgh Bragger, granddaughter of Philip Weer Vantilburgh, #10. We hope that your mother will be able to join us at this year's reunion. Perhaps you, too, can join us. Luella and I always tour as many family graves as possible on the day before the reunion. I live in West Virginia and she is in Rhode Island, so our Ohio visits for the reunion offer a good opportunity for us to visit as well.

Please send me your mailing address and I will see that you receive a reunion announcement.

I am very pleased to know of your interest in the family history and that you have visited the Reunion website. We had intended to post much more information there this year, however, illness and lack of time to devote to genealogical interests have prevented that. Our intent is to publish family reunion information online as a prelude to the 100th Reunion. The 23-page booklet to which you refer in your message, I believe, was put together by my mother for the 50th Reunion (1959) in memory of her father. You will be pleased to know that we have a 257 page book which I put together for the 80th Reunion (1989) in memory of my mother. We would like to update each family's information as much as possible and republish for the 100th.

We are very proud of the pioneer history of this Ohio family and the fact that it has met consecutively for 96 years. We have lots of information to share about the family history dating to the 17th century - and we will be pleased to do so.

This will get you started. The 13 children of Thomas B. and Margaret Weer VanTilburgh were Ray, Catherine Winner, Harry, Florence Lacelle, Mary Evelyn, Josephine, Benjamin, James Calvin, Frank Clinton, Philip Weer, Alice Mabel, Thomas and Charles Kenneth.

I look forward to hearing from you. Let me know how I can be of assistance.

Thomas B. VanTilburgh Charles Kenneth Vantilburg Eleanor Dea Vantilburg Hinkle Carolyn Sue Hinkle Hale

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---- Original Message -----

From: Samuel Minter
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Sent: Monday, May 29, 2006 2:03 AM

Subject: VanTilburgh Info

Hi, don't know if you keep a master mailing list for the VanTilburgh reunions or anything, but if so, I'd like to be added. I think I attended once as a child in the 80's although my memories are dim.

I fit in through this chain:

Thomas B VanTilburgh Mary Evelyn VanTilburgh Ralph Aaron Brandon Ruth Marilyn Brandon Samuel Antionio Minter Also, if you have any more info on Thomas B and his family, I'd love pointers. I'm trying to put together family tree info and there seems to be almost nothing on the web compared to many of my other branches. From information from my mother I have that Mary Evelyn was the fifth of Thomas B's 13 children, but I don't have the names of any of the others or much else. (My mom did provide some tidbits on some of Thomas B's ancestors and mentioned that she had a 23 page VanTilburgh information booklet somewhere that she would try to find me.)

I've added the info I've found so far to a personal wiki page at:

http://wiki.abulsme.com/Thomas B Vantilburgh

Feel free to edit it directly if you wish. (I borrowed your picture, I hope you don't mind... your site is credited as a reference.)

Anyway, thanks for any information you have.

Or at least being on the mailing list. :-)

I'm in Seattle now, so no idea when I'd be able to be in Ohio in August, but my mother is moving back to Ohio next month, so perhaps sooner than I would otherwise expect. :-)

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