

Generations

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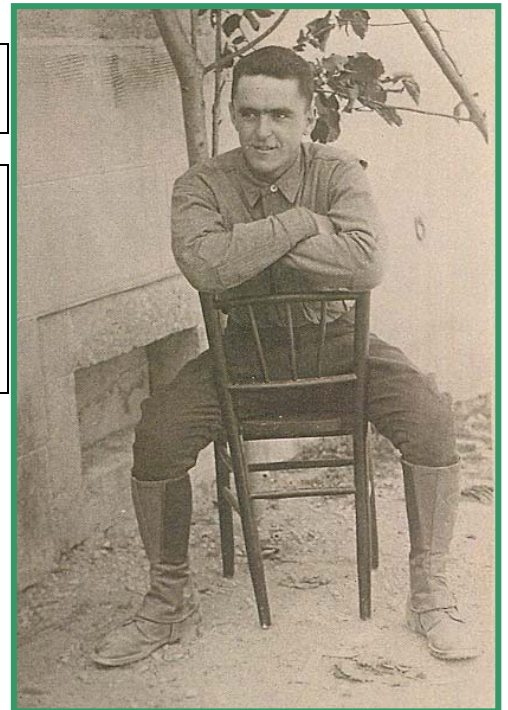
Top left: Graduation photo of Fleur Ange Durocher (Peryea) Oldest child, and only daughter, of Louis Alexander Durocher and (Marie) Blanche Gagné Durocher

Three generations: Top right: Graduation photo of Thomas Louis Peryea, oldest child of Fleur Ange Peryea and Guy Peryea, Photo left to right: (Marie) Blanche Gagné Durocher, Guy Peryea, Thomas Peryea, Fleur Ange Durocher Peryea, Louis Alexander Durocher



Left - Edgar Surprenant, 1st husband of Cecelia Durocher and Dad to Edgar Jr. & Sandra

Right: Eugene Girard, (son of Delia Coulombe Girard) Delia and Cecelia Coulombe Durocher were sisters. Cecelia and Eugene corresponded during WW1 when Eugene was in the service. Cecelia's family lived on the farm in Clayburg; N.Y. Delia's family lived in the Ware, Massachusetts area.



Bottom--left to right: Mary Louise &, Isabelle Anderson (daughters of Mary Durocher Anderson & Charles Anderson, (granddaughters of Alexander Durocher), Cecelia Durocher Surprenant, Sandy Surprenant, & Andrew Gouger (son of Charlotte (Anderson) Gouger).

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Some of the Sources of Information Used by Our Researchers:

Some of the information is based on documentation, some is oral history. Brother Ernest Gagné (Reverend Frère Magloire) did much of the original research on the Gagné branch. Much of the information about the early Durocher lineage is from The Centre Marie-Rose, Montreal.

- Association des familles Gagné - Bellavance d'Amerique, the newsletter is written primarily in French with some English and is available from: C.P. 6700 Sillery, Quebec, GIT 2W, Canada.
- Centre Marie-Rose, 80 Rue St-Charles est., Longueuil, Quebec, J4H 1A9
- State University of Plattsburgh Feinberg Library, Special Collections, Plattsburgh, NY, 12901

- Northern New York American-Canadian Genealogical Society, P.O. Box 1256, Plattsburgh, NY, 12901-0120



Web pages that may be of interest

General Information:

<http://www.familysearch.org>
has the 1880 US census and the 1881 Canadian census

The Gagné Branch

Gagnier (Gagné) History & Family Association sites:

English site: <http://www.gagnier.org>

French site: <http://www.infinet.net/jybell>

Reverend John F Gagnier's email address is gagnier@dor.org

<http://pages.videotron.com/jybell/lgml.pdf>

The family line including many branches of the family tree. (French)

NOTE: In Europe the dates are listed date-month-year. (October 10- 1946 would be 4-10-1946).

<http://www.geocities.com/Heartland/Meadows/9951> This web site even has a picture of a sign on Rout 3 in W. Plattsburgh!

www.angelfire.com/ny5/clinton/FamilyNamePages/Gagne/GagneandAlliedFamiliesWeb.htm - English

www.perche-quebec.com/files/perche/lieux/saint_cosme.htm
Information about the 13 families who left, St. Cosme DeVair Sarthe, France (French)

Association des familles GAGNÉ-BELLAVANCE d'Amérique Inc: <http://pages.infinet.net/jybell/>

French Canadian Ancestors: Gagné
<http://www.rootsworld.com/~nozell/GEN-NYS-L/archives/1997/05/0227.html>

Gagné Family Genealogy Forum:
<http://genforum.genealogy.com/gagne>

Louis (Lewis) Gagné dit BELLEAVANCE:
<http://www.soonet.ca/users/acadien/d0000/g0000081.html#1178>

The Durocher Branch

Valerie DuRocher's Genealogy Page Updated September 19, 2001 email joyrose94@yahoo.com
<http://familytreemaker.genealogy.com/users/d/u/r/Valerie-R-Durocher/> Genealogy Descendants of Francois Durocher 1982 in St. Peter's Square in Rome, when before a huge crowd Pope John Paul II proclaimed Marie-Rose Durocher blessed.

http://www.houseofnames.com/coatofarms_details.asp?sId=27E8B7C0-46BB-4A2B-B2BB-FFD8CEB8F068&s=durocher

This site has a history and coat of arms for the Durocher name. It reads in part, "The name Durocher is derived from the Old French word roche, meaning rock, and indicates that the original bearer was distinguished by residence near a prominent rock.First found in Burgundy, where this ancient family was recognized as one of the original families of the region."



Family Losses and Gains 2007- 2008

Birth	Brayden Benjamin Emrich b. 4/8/08 son of Valida Genditzk and Sean Emrich
Birth	Giselle Genevieve Bossart b 4/1/2008, daughter of Kami and Michael Bossart, born at home in San Antonio, Texas
Birth	Lexi Marie Sloan b. 5/6/1007, daughter of Maegan Sloan
Births	Ethan Kelsey Dominey b. 11/30/2007, son of Arron Dominey and Misty Tuttle Dominy
Death	Bonnilee Sandra Mille Strong Myers b. 12/26/1943 d 3/6/2008, wife of Leo Myers
Death	Stanley Bordeau b. 7/16/1925, d. 2/07, Plattsburgh, New York, wife of Eleanor Durocher Bordeau
Death	Gerald Delaney b. 8/9/1934 d/ 2/24/07, cancer, former husband of Elsie Durocher Delaney
Death	Edward Jackson b. 10/31/1958 d. 2/7/07, husband of Patti Ann Kourofsky Jackson
Death	Yvette Gagné 6/8/1945 m 4/18/1960 Gerard Desrochers died 5/ 28/2007 daughter of Eximère Gagné (died from a heart attack)
Death	James Anthony Gratto b. 5/14/1931 d. 12/20/2007 husband of Agnes Durocher



Feedback

Forwarded to Beverly Morgan by Bernice Donaldson

Bonjour Madame Donaldson,
It's very interesting about our tree family. I have all information from Frère Magloire at home. Frère Magloire did a very great job. Our grandfather Exemir and my mother Laurentia were brother and sister. Aunt Rose Eva and Aunt Blanche were also sisters. Be sure I will put this new information in my book....Fleur Ange is the only person I know a little bit. She came to the funeral (for Yvette Gagné) with her daughter

Marissa and Maurice Gagné from Saint-Rémi.

Laure Desrochers



The Original Gasnier Coat of Arms



Of ancient and unknown origin, this coat of arms is found in the General Illustrated Armorial by Joannes Baptist Reitstap, dated 1952. This coat of arms, with alternating red and orange sections surrounded by a black border, is associated with the Gasnier name in the Maine Province of France. <http://www.gagnier.org>



Key to charts:	
<u>b</u> is for born	<u>bapt.</u> is baptized
<u>bur</u> is buried	<u>d</u> is for died
<u>div</u> is divorced	<u>m</u> is married



The Gagné line --Marc, Christophe, (There is question as to whether Marc and Christophe are in the family line.*) Louis, Louis, Ignace, Jacques, Jacque, Jean Baptiste Joseph, Jean Baptiste, Israël Ancestors of Rose Eva and Blanche)

1 st Marc Gasnier?		
2 nd Christophe Gasnier? b. 1555 (or 1567) Le Mans, Main France (or Stcomedevair, Perche, Orn)	Spouse one would be Louis's Mother. Spouse 2 Françoise Vallee b 1559 .Mar. 1570 or 1579? in Le Mans, or Ige Maine, France died, 1628	Mar. 4/13/1587 Ige, (Stcomedevair) Perche, France
3 rd generation: Louis Gasnier b 1580 St.-Cosme-de-Vair, Sarthe buried 4/9/1640 St Cosme-de-Vair, Sarthe, France	Marie Launay Gasnier d. April 9, 1640 bur. in St. Cosme-de-Vair, St. Cosme-en Aviaries, Sarthe France	Mar.1604 St. Cosme-de-Vair, Sarthe, France

4th generation: Louis Gasnier- bapt. 9/13/1612, St. Martin, Igé France, d. 2/2/1661 or ? 7/14/1661, (emigrated to Canada in 1644)	Marie Michel Gasnier b. 1620- d. November 12, 1687 bur. at Ste-Anne, Beaurpré, Montmorency, Québec, Canada 11/12/1687 Ste-Anne-de-Beaupre, Montmorency, PQ. Daughter of: Pierre Michel Birth : Belleme, Orne, France and Louise Gory, (Gosri) Chartres, b. Abt 1595 Belleme, Orne, France	June 11, 1638 St. Martin-du-Vieux Belleme (France)
5 th Generation: Ignace Gasnier, b. 3/12/1656, Quebec FR John Gagnier WEB page: Records show an emergency Baptism at the Gasnier home on March 12) Other records show a Baptism date 7/14/1661 for Ignace and 4/15/1656, Quebec Gasnier. d. 9/13/1712 or 7/20/1702, Quebec	Barbe Dodier Gagné bap. 1665 – buried 2/7/1689 Sts-Pierre-et-Paul, Baie-st-Paul, Charlevoix, PQ Daughter of: Jacques Dodier & Catherine Caron 2) Louise Tremblay Gasnier bapt. 10/21/1669	11/5/1680 Baie St. Paul PQ or St Anne-de-Beaupre, Montmorency PQ 11/6/1689 L Ange-Gardien PQ?
6 th generation Jacques Gage b. 10/8/1688 St. Francois-Xavier, Petite-Riviere-St-Francois, Charlevoix, PQ bapt. 10/9/1688 Sts-Piere-et-Paul,Baie St.Paul, Charlevoix PQ Canada	Hélène Perron Gagné bap.1694 to bur. 10/ 26/1735 Ste-Famille, Ile-d'Orleans, Montmorency, Daughter of: Antoine Perron and Jeanne Tremblay	2/24/1716 Baie St. Paul PQ
7 th generation Jacques Gagné dit Sancier bapt. 4/13/1722 Baie St. Paul	Marie Françoise Gibaut Gagné 1729 to 3/24/175?) Daughter of: Philibert and Françoise Le Cuyser	4/29/1748 LaPrairie PQ
8 th generation Jean Baptiste Gagné (bapt. Redford or La Prairie?)	Isabelle Poupart Gagné Daughter of: Pierre Poupart & Marie Anne Deniau	4/3/1780 LaPrairie PQ
9 th generation Joseph Gagné bapt. 3/20/1785 Acadie (Quebec?) d. 9/21/1879 bur. in Redford NY.	Marie-Anne Bissonnet Gagné d. 9/ 11/1879 (Redford NY.) Daughter of: Jean-Baptiste Bissonnet & Charlotte Longuetain	11/26/1804 Chambly Canada
10 th generation Jean Baptiste Gagné b. 1817(?) to 8/8/1886 (bapt. Redford NY, b. Redford NY	Lucie Dupuis Gagné 1823-d. 9/4/1905 Bur. in Redford NY.	1838 or 1839
11 th generation Israël Gagné 6/23/1855 (bapt. 9/9/1936 Redford NY 7/22/1855) bur. Sherrington, PQ 9/30/1936	Louise (Iloise) Poupart Gagné 1862- 11/14/1939 Daughter of: Joseph Poupart & Emelie (on gravestone) Mélina (Milie) Gauthier d. 11/14/1937 bur. Sherrington, PQ 11/19/1937	10/6/1881 St Joseph's parish Cohoes, NY

12 generation (a) Rose Eva Gagné Durocher 4/6/1901- bapt. Sherrington PQ, d. 10/4/1946 Plattsburgh, NY	Nelson Durocher bapt. Redford NY. 6/2/1895 5/16/1895 -12/1/1967, d. of Brights disease Son of: Louis Durocher & Cecelia '	10/8/1922 Sherring- ton PQ
12 generation (b) Marie Blanche Elodia Gagné Durocher b. 9/24/1903 bapt. 9/25/1903, Sherrington, PQ, d. 9/ 27/99 at CVPH (Champlain Valley Physicians Hospital, Plattsburgh, NY	Louis Alexander Durocher b. 7/16/1899 bapt. 7/30/1899 Redford, NY. d. 10/19/1991 son of :Louis: (Lewis) Durocher & Cecelia Coulombe'	10/15/ 1923 Sherring-ton, PQ



Children of Israel Gagné & Elaise Poupart Gagné, m. 10/6/1881

Parents: Israel (Israël) Gagné & Elaise (Louise/Heloise/Eloise) Poupart Gagné m. 10/6/1881 Cohoes, NY
1) Wilfrid Gagné b 10/13/1882, Cohoes NY d 10/8/1961 Spouse: Elizabeth Longtin m. 2/14/1905, St. Constant d. 10/8/1961 Parents: Ovila Longtin & Suzanne Rouleau
2 a) Eunelia (Unilia) (Nellie) Gagné Faille b 4/27/1884, Lyon Mountain? 2/6/1962 (twin of Lucian) d. 2/6/1962 (Parents of twins) Spouse: Theodule Faille m. 9/18/1900
3) Lucian Coren Gagné b. 4/27/1884 bapt. 5/10/1884 Lyon Mountain NY, (twin of Nellie) died as an infant
4) Arthur Gagné b. 2/11/1886, Cohoes, NY
5) Agnes Gagné b 3/ 30/1888, Cohoes NY (died in 1888 as an infant)
6) Lady-Anne Gagné b 5/27/1889, (died in infancy) Cohoes NY
7) Eximer Gagné b. 2/6/1891 Negaunee USA (Lake Michigan). d. 3/3/1973, Montreal Spouse: Agnes Beauvolks m. 2/13/1929 Napierville P.Q.
8) Brother Ernest (Reverend Frere Magloire) Gagné b 4/30/1893 Cooks Mills, Michigan d. 12/25/1971
9) Laurentia Gagné Demers b. 1/16/1895 Sherrington Quebec d 7/13/1974, Windsor, Ontario Spouse: Ludger Demers m 11/28/1918
10) (Cleoplas)-Anthime Gagné b 3/1/1897 Sherrington P. Quebec d 7/11/1961, buried in Sherrington PQ (d. July 11, 1970 Claudia Lecuyer m 10/29/1927 d: September 1982, buried Sherrington, PQ
11) Rose-Alma Gagné b 2/6/1899 Sherrington Quebec d 9/ d: March 01, accrd. to B. Donaldson,(?) 1920 or Sept 4, 1920? in Sherrington, P.Q.
12) Rose-Eva Gagné b 4/6/1901 & baptized Sherrington Quebec d 10/4/1946, Plattsburgh NY (childbirth) Spouse: Narcisse (Nelson) Durocher, m 10/8/1922, (brother to Marie Blanche's husband) Parents: Louis Durocher & Cecelia Coulombe
13) Marie Blanche Elodia Gagné Durocher b 9/24/1903 Sherrington Quebec, d. 9/ 27/99 at CVPH (Champlain Valley Physicians Hospital, Plattsburgh, NY Spouse: Louis Alexander Durocher, m 10/15/1923, Sherrington PQ (brother to Rose Eva's husband) Parents: Louis Durocher & Cecelia Coulombe

14) Exerilda Gagné Legault , b 4/29/ 1906 Sherrington Quebec d.8/30/2003 St. Remi, Quebec Buried/9/3/2003 Sherrington, PQ. Spouse: Romeo Legault m. 5/19, 1932 d. 3/26/1993
15) unnamed--stillborn boy



Descendant Trees of Those Who Walked With Champlain

Based on information from the Lake Champlain Weekly, January 16, 2008 and information from the website www.nnyacgs.com

The Samuel de Champlain Quadricentennial celebration is coming soon. In Canada, that celebration got underway in January 2008, the year coincides with the 400th anniversary of Samule de Champlain's establishment of settlements in Quebec and Acadia (now Nova Scotia). New York's celebration begins in 2009 to coincide with the anniversary of Champlain's arrival at Lake Champlain in 1609.

You can go to www.nnyacgs.com to discover how many connections you can make to those who walked with Champlain. The first settlers who established themselves in Quebec City in the early 1600s knew Samuel de Champlain. Some of them had been with him on prior voyages to Acadia (now Nova Scotia). Several of them had Samuel or his wife, Helene, as godparents. Each descendant tree from a pioneer to a different member in your family is eligible for a button. Extra buttons for family members with the same ancestor, after submission of an original descendant tree, are \$1 each. Send payment to, "They Walked with Champlain", 105 Prospect Avenue, Plattsburgh, NY 12901.

Our family is tied in through Quebec on the Gagné side of the family. Through the ROBERT CARON and MARIE CREVE connection.

From the Generations family you can see:

- ✓ Kelly Goff - Morrisonville, NY
- ✓ Nelson Durocher Jr. Kids - Plattsburgh, NY.

They are descendents of the Nelson Durocher and Rose Eva Gagné branch of the family. There may be more ways we connect. Check it out!

2 Marie Blanche Elodia Gagné b: September 24, 1903 in Sherrington PQ d: September 26, 11:00 PM Pronounced dead on September 27, 2:00 PM 1999 Champlain Valley Physicians Hospital in Plattsburg N.Y. USA, congestive heart failure, buried Plattsburgh, N.Y.
+Louis Alexander Durocher b: July 16, 1899 in Stracksville, NY, Bapt 7/30/1899 Redford NY m: October 15, 1923 in St Patrick's Church in Sherrington PQ d: October 19, 1991 in Plattsburg Father: Louis Durocher Mother: Cecelia (Cecile) Coulombe (Columbe)

Descendents of Marie Blanche Elodia Gage and Louis Alexander Durocher

3 Fleur Ange Durocher b: November 01, 1924 in at home at 4 Maple Street, in Plattsburgh NY
+Guy Lewis Peryea b: January 04, 1923 in Altona, NY m: August 17, 1946 in St.Peters, Plattsburg NY d: February 11, 1989 in Plattsburgh
**4 Thomas Louis Peryea** b: June 3 0, 1947 Plattsburgh, New York
**+Rita Ruth Rock** b: November 25, 1951 m: June 27, 1970
**5 Thomas Guy Peryea** b: February 05, 1971 in Plattsburg NY
**5 Rebecca Peryea** b: March 09, 1974 in Plattsburg NY
*2nd Wife of **Thomas Louis Peryea:**
**+Susan Jane Scarsboro** m: January 04, 1991
*3rd Wife of **Thomas Louis Peryea:**
**+Gloria Steeves** m: May 24, 1997
**4 Michael Norman Peryea** b: August 26, 1948, Plattsburgh, New York
**+Anne Martin** m: August 8, 1973 divorced.
**5 Jerry Michael Peryea** b- August 8, 1974 in Plattsburg NY
**+Anna Benway** m: October 31, 1998 divorced.
**6 Dylan Michael Peryea** b: October 07, 1996
2nd wife of **Jerry Michael Peryea:**
***Amy Mesce Bacon** b: 5/27/1975 m: July 7, 2002
**6 Eathan Bacon** b: February 18,1997 (Child of Amy Mesce Bacon Peryea)
**6 Keedan Hunter Peryea** February 9, 2001
**5 Carrie Peryea** b: January 09, 1976 in Plattsburg NY
**+ Michael Coyer** November 26, 1997 Okalahoma City
**4 Gayla Marie Peryea** b: March 24, 1950, in Plattsburgh, New York
**+Jeffery Paul Lacross** m. April 07, 1973 in St. Peters, Plattsburg NY
**5 Matthew Donald Lacross** b: December 17, 1975 in Japan
**+ Kim Osmond** m.: October 22 1999 near Rochester N.Y.
**6 Jessica Lily Lacross** b: January 19, 2002
**5 Angela Louise Lacross** b: October 22, 1979 in Plainfield NJ
**4 Guy Peter Peryea** b.- December 08, 1951, Plattsburgh, New York
**+Debra Peek** in: April 22, 1978: divorced.
*2nd Wife of **Guy Peter Peryea:**
**+Karen Frances Larose** M. : October 21, 1989 (year corrected 5/08) in St. Mary's, Plattsburg NY divorced.
**5 Alex Leo Peryea** b: April 4, 1991 in Plattsburgh N.Y.
**4 Teresa Anne Peryea** b: August 29, 1956, Plattsburgh, New York
**+Philip Raymond Desaultels** m: July 02, 1977 in St.Peter's Plattsburg NY
**5 Erin Elizabeth Desaultels** b: June 02, 1983 in Plattsburg NY
- **4 Mark Alexander Peryea** b: May 12, 1958 (twin) Plattsburgh, New York
**4 Martin Alex Peryea** b: May 12, 1958 (twin) Plattsburgh, New York
**+Maria Ximena Cadena** m: September 04, 1983 in Flushing NY
**5 Louis Martin Peryea** b: March 31, 1990 in Bedford, Texas
**5 Roy Anthony Peryea** b: July 02, 1993 in Bedford, Texas

.....**4 Marissa Eva Peryea** b: March 22, 1960, Plattsburgh, New York
 + **Malcolm George Snell** b:1/21/1957 m: July 01,2000 in Plattsburgh Marriage ending
 November, 19, 2001

.....**4 Michelle Elise Peryea** b: March 13, 1961, Plattsburgh, New York
 - +**Robert Sydney Brown** m: October 01, 1994
 -**5 Christopher Edward Brown** b: May 05, 1997 in Boston, Massachusetts
 5 Elise Fleur Ange Brown July 8, 1999
 5 Amanda Marie Brown June 27, 2001

.....**.3 Herman Magloire Durocher** b: October 26, 1926 born at home, 3 Champlain St., Plattsburgh,
 N.Y.
 +**Gladys Leona Parent** b: July 08, 1921 d: March 23, 1997 in Plattsburg NY Age at death: 75
 Father: Mother:
 *2nd Wife of **Herman Magloire Durocher**:
 +**Florence Cleland** b: April 20, 1928 m: January 25, 1947 in St. Peters Rectory, Plattsburg NY d:
 April 07, 1980:
**4 Louis Herman Durocher** b: February 24, 1960, Plattsburgh, New York
 +**Debra Ellen Suher** m: July 05, 1981 divorced.
 5 Jennifer Lynn Durocher b:9/17/1983 Rochester N.Y.
 *2nd wife unknown
 *3rd Wife of **Louis Herman Durocher**:
 +**Lisa Claire Comeau** in: April 29, 1989 Pine Bush N.Y.
 5 Andrew Joseph Tewillinger b: 7/24/1979 Middletown, N.Y. Child of Lisa Claire
 Comeau and Joseph Tewillinger
 5 Robert Louis Durocher b: December 25, 1989, Newburg, N.Y.
 5 Scott Herman Durocher b: August 4, 1992, Newburg, N.Y.

..... **4 Marie Ann Durocher** b: April 17, 1962
**4 Lawrence (Larry) William Durocher** b: August 21, 1967
 +**Danielle Elise Sileo b: October 17, 1968** m: 9/16/1989 in Mesa, Arizona
 5 Chelsea Lynn Durocher b. 4/14/1992 Peoria Arizona
 5 Emily Alyssa Durocher b. 3/8/1996 Peoria Arizona
 5 Julie Marie Durocher b. 2/23/99, Peoria, Arizona

.....**.3 Arthur Alfred Durocher** b: October 16, 1928 born at home, 3 Champlain St. Plattsburgh, N.Y.
 +**Victoria (Vicki) Theresa Lambert** in: June 14, 1952
**4 David Alan Durocher** b: April 10, 1953 in Plattsburg NY
 +**Jo-Anne Lee Lloyd** --divorced.
 5 Emily Nicole Durocher b: October, 9 1985 Peterborough, NH
 5 Erin Lynn Durocher b: October 10 1987 Peterborough, NH
 2nd wife of **David Allen Durocher**
 + **Judy Muzzy** m: August 08, 2001 in New Hampshire
**4 Richard Durocher (Ricky)** b: May 25, 1956 in Plattsburg NY
 +**Mary Dolores Dauphin** m : November 24, 1989 Oswego N.Y.
 5 Daniel Richard Durocher b: August 20, 1992 Sodus, N.Y.
 5 Ethan David Durocher b: November 13,, 1996 Sodus N.Y.
 4 Robert (Bob) Arthur Durocher b: August 04, 1959 in Plattsburg NY
 +**Robin Lynn Delosh** m: June 09, 1984
 5 Ryan Jonathan Durocher b: August 3, 1987, Ft Myers FL
 5 Danielle Ashley Durocher b. December 30, 1989 Potsdam NY
 5 Trent Robert Durocher b.January 24, 1993 Potsdam, NY

.....**4 Diane Maria Durocher** b: February 28, 1965 in Oswego NY
 + **John Grey Hawk** m: April 7, 2001
 6 Zidane Alexander Grey Hawk b: September 17, 2001, Pelzer, S. Carolina

.....**4 John Fitzgerald Durocher** b: January 10, 1967
 +**Suzzara Chase** m: in: July 29, 1995
 6 Jack Armstrong Durocher b. February 5, 2000
 6 Tristan Alexander Durocher b. September 3, 2002

.....**.3 Donald Leo Durocher** b: January 28, 1930 born at home, 3 Champlain St. Plattsburgh, N.Y.
 +**Eleanor Beverly Jacobsen** m: April 11, 195 5 in Plattsburg NY

.....**4 Lois Jeanne Durocher** b: February 03, 1956 in Plattsburg NY
+**Robert Christopher Allen** m: April 23, 1984 Kauai Hawii
 5 Travis Christopher Allen B: March 8, 1986 Plattsburgh, New York
 5 Brent Justice Allen b: July 17, 1989, Plattsburgh N.Y.
**4 Daniel Leo Durocher** b: October 26, 1957 in Plattsburg NY d: August 19, 1969 auto accident
 hit by a pickup truck
**4 Beth Marie Durocher** b: May 05, 1959 in Plattsburg NY
 + **Richard Murphy** m: April 7, 2000
**4 Amy Laurie Durocher** b: August 20, 1963 in Plattsburg NY
 **4 Monique Lee Durocher** b: March 25, 1969 in Plattsburg NY
+**Randy Hart** in: May 25, 1991
 6 Ivy Rose Hart, May 19, 2000
 6 Nikolas Xavier Hart b. January 7, 2002

The Durocher Family Coat of Arms



The Durocher line--François, Joseph, Rêne Joseph, Jean Baptiste (JB), Joseph, Joseph, Alexander, Louis Napoleon, ancestors of Frederic, Nelson, (Mary) Laura, Louis, Cecelia, Valida, Leon (Leo), Beatrice Durocher

Snippets of Peryea Life in 2006

Personal correspondence from:
Fleur Ange Peryea to Beverly Morgan.

Just a Thanksgiving note to let you know I have not left for Florida yet (from New York). I am quite busy with canning, and meals for my gang. Mark lives with me. Peter has his equipment here and they leave, Mark and Peter, for work and return here at night and eat with me. So I keep pretty busy. I try to make daily Mass, choir practice on Thursday nights, 6 month check-ups for eyes and blood pressure. Time flies! Mark will be driving me down to Florida when the snow flies...



Love
Fleur Ange

And from Marissa at Christmas.

The weather has been mild so far this year but I'm not complaining. The snow will come. My brother Mark drove Mom to Florida this year – just before Thanksgiving. I have a new job. I'm now employed (rather than self employed) at BOLES + I go to Beekmantown School as their occupational therapists. (They have a total of 50 that need O.T. work). The kids are great. I'll fly to Florida during my April break and drive mom back to Plattsburgh. Hope all is well in 2007!

Love,
Marissa



Master Taylor to the King

Personal correspondence from Fleur Ange Peryea to Beverly Morgan.

2/15/06

I read an article in the Travel Section of a newspaper quite a while ago about a place to visit was Angiers (pronounced ANjay) France. Angiers was the summer place for the King of France. I had wondered how come Joseph the Pioneer was the Master Taylor to the King. So when the King was in Angiers, Joseph was given the job to see about designing and seeing to the clothing of the king I believe. It was all done by hand so there had to be quite a few at

work on it .We have illustrious ancestors.

Alençon was noted for its beautiful lace. St Thérèse of Lisieux's parents were from Alençon and that is where St Thérèse of Lisieux was brought up. Her mother was noted for her beautiful lace work and it was much in demand. Maybe some of the Gagné ancestors played with St Thérèse because perhaps some of them ended up in Alençon, especially the females.

I see Orleans on the map and that is where Jeannine Nichols is from. She's the war bride that has the healing ministry at the Morrisonville Church. She's had a heart attack a while back and almost died again. I hear she was very weak and her daughter was taking care of her and policing her mother so she wouldn't get to tired.

It's amazing how we end up not to far from each other. In one of the Bible readings the Lord said "I will bring my people together from far and near and they will be my people and I will be their God." Our area has always been a pocket of church-going people. Look at all the churches in our areas and the protestant churches are also Gods people. Jesus said, "Those who hear my words and obey them are my people." When Peter told Jesus there was some not of our group who were healing in Jesus name.

It is good that we know our roots. The blurb on the bottom (Volume 10, #2, 2005) of Generations, says a person dies when there is no one to remember them. I had framed it and had it a long time. It got taken down when we painted. "To live in the hearts of those we love is to never die."

Bernice (Donaldson) called me. They have been sick and in the hospital. She sold her place (it was where she grew

up) and bought a smaller place in Tecumseh. I was hoping we could get together at Madeline Faille's place this summer. I hope to go spend a couple weeks with her. She's in Aunt Nellie's and Uncle Theodule's place. Raoul and Madeline bought it from Aunt Nellie. That's how come she ended up in St. Bernard de La Colle. Because I had no sisters I really loved my cousin's company and every chance I got I spent at Grandma's (Both of them).

After we got married and the babies came and my husband was a dairy farmer, and I didn't drive, we did not visit as much and we didn't visit that much any more. It is good that you are able to do Generations. It helps us to stay in touch much better. We are truly blessed.

Love
Fleur Ange



Generations Reaches Out

Bernice Donaldson sent the following email in June 2007.

The following letter is from a cousin that I have never met. Her grandfather is Eximer Gagne. I wrote to her mother last week. I was shocked to hear she died from a heart attack 2 weeks ago.

Her mother is Yvette Gagne married to Gerard Desrochers. Date of death May 28, 2007

I have been feeling a lot better lately. I have had 2 cortisone shots in my knee. I will be having an arthroscopic surgery on Monday Aug 27th 2007. The surgeon is not sure that will be my cure, but said according to my Xray's does not think I need a knee replacement yet.....Hope I do get some relief.



1	François du Rocher Parish of Daze', ville de Château-Gontier	Perrine LeFaucheur born- Parish of Dazy, Chateaugontier , France (Valerie DuRocher WWB Page)	mar. Parish of Daze, Ville de Chateau- Gontier
2	Joseph DuRocher b. 1681, St. Maurille Parish, Anjou, France d. 1749 (V Du Rocher WEB Page)	Marguerite Le Roy Durocher b. 1685 in France daughter of: Michel LeRoy & Renée Pasquereau	10/6/ 1705 St. Maurille, Church, diocese of Angers in Anjou France
3	Réne Joseph 3 Durocher (Brien, Joseph 2, Francois) b. 7/2/1706 Anjou France, d. 1755 (1749 V. Durocher WEB cite) in Batiscan P.Q.	1) Marie-Louise Catherine Juillet d'Avignon Durocher 5/29(not 30 according to V. DuRosher) /1710 in Pte-Aux Trembles d. 1743, Montreal Daughter of: Blaise Juillet & Madeleine (Marie) Forestier (Fortier spelling of last name Valerie DuRocher WEB) 2) Marguerite Gaudet (Godé) Jarry Durocher b. 1702	a) m. Marie- Louise 6/03/ 1730 Batiscan b) m. 6/24/1743 Parish of Batiscan (near Three Rivers, PQ)
4	(J.B.) Jean Baptiste Durocher 1732-1795, Quebec Canada?	1) Geneviève 2) Marguerite Boucher-Desnois Durocher d. 12/21/1795 at Nicolet Daughter of: Joseph a & M. Anne Bailleuil	1752 ----- 7/22/1766 L Assomption
5	Joseph Durocher Betrand LaPrairie, Canada	Josette Brodeur Durocher Daughter of: Louis Brodeur and Judith Hébert	1/31/1791 LaPrairie
6	Joseph Durocher - Betrand b. 0/21/1789 (or 1794) d 10/1871 bur. in Redford NY.	Catherine Hébert Durocher b 10/8/1792 bap. 11/8/1792 La Prairie (corrected) d. 1871 bur. Redford NY Daughter of: Joseph Hébert & Marie Bisaillon	11/2/1822 Notre Dame de la Prairie de la Madeline
7	Alexander (Francis Xavier or Alexandre) Durocher b 3/14/1823- Chazy N.Y d 1/26/1915 bur. in Redford NY	1) Mary Gobriau (Gobriaux) Durocher b 1838 d 3/24/1863 2) Marie Caille Cahier (Carriere, Carrieres, Coryer) Lapanne (LaPann) Durocher b 1839- d 3/25/1904	----- 10/1/ (?) or 9/24/ 1865 St. Peters, Plattsburgh NY.
8	Louis Napoleon Durocher b. 7/14/1868, Saranac, N.Y. bapt. Redford, N.Y. on Aug 15, 1868. d. 6/12/1946	Cecelia Coulombe Durocher b. 6/30/1869 Saranac, N.Y. Daughter of Narcesse (Nelson) Coulombe & Lesina Parent	10/31/1892



Children of Louis Durocher & Cecelia Coulombe Durocher m. 10/31/ 1892

**Parents: Louis Durocher & Cecelia
(Cecile) Coulombe (Columbe) Durocher (**
m. 10/31/ 1892) Ware Mass.

1) Frederic Lawrence Durocher b.10/15/1893
-d. 9/9/1973 . m. 6/20/1920 Ora Margaret
Bell Durocher b. 1/8/1900, d. 8/30/1963

2) Nelson (Earl) Harold Durocher b
5/16/1895-bapt. 6/2/1895 Redford NY (with
middle name Earl) d 12/1/1967 m. St.
Patrick's of Sherrington, PQ Rose Eva
Gagné b. 4/6/1901 d.10/4/46

3) (Mary) Laura Durocher b 4/6/1897 bapt.
5/2/1897 at Redford NY d. of "overlay" later
called crib death, now called SIDS (Sudden
Infant Death Syndrome) at 1 month old b.
5/8/1897 at Assumption of Mary, Redford
NY.

4) Louis Alexander Durocher b. 7/16/1899,
Strackville, b. 7/30/1899, Redford, N.Y. d.-
10/19/1991 m. 10/15/1923 Marie Blanche
Elodia Gagné Durocher b. 9/24/1903 St.
Patrick's Parish, Sherrington PQ

5) Cecelia Durocher Surprenant Provost
4/11/1901- 11/20/1994 m. Edgar
Surprenant, Assumption of Mary, Redford
NY 9/1/1935 Fred Provost b. 6/15/1906, d.
3/22/1975, m.8/24/1964 Assumption of Mary,
Redford NY?

6) Valida Durocher Myers 5/30/1903-
12/8/1980 m 1928, Howard J. Myers b.
6/7/1907d. 7,1966 married at Assumption of
Mary, Redford NY

7) Leon (Leo) Durocher, b 5/8/1905
bapt.5/14/1905
d. at 4 months old of Influenza (Dysentery)
b. at Assumption of Mary, Redford, NY
9/14/1905.

8) Beatrice Durocher b 6/22/1909 bapt.
6/27/1909 Assumption of Mary, Redford NY,
d 1/24/1999, burial service, 1/26/1999,
Plattsburgh, NY, interred in the spring, St.
Peter's Cemetery, m. Bill (William G.) Hall,
6/22/1943. Bill b.1/8/ 1900, (correction to
birth month 2007) Paul Smith d. 8/1 /1977 in
Plattsburgh, N.Y. Parents George &
Elizabeth (Marshall) Hall



Louis Napoleon and Cecelia (Coulombe)
Durocher



Obituaries for Louis Napoleon and Cecelia (Coulombe) Durocher

The focus of the Generations newsletter is on the siblings and the descendents of the Louis Napoleon Durocher & Cecelia Columbe families. Both Louis and Cecelia died in 1946. On June 12, Louis Napoleon died, on August 30, his wife Cecelia Coulombe Durocher died. Both had been living at the farm in Clayburg that they purchased in 1911. They were living with their son Nelson and his family.

The workload for Rose Eva, Nelson's wife, of caring for two frail, adults as well as her large family during her pregnancy for her 11 child was very heavy.

Therefore it was decided among family members to send Cecelia to the home of her son Louis in Plattsburgh. Cecelia, with failing health and failing mind however, wanted to return to the farm and was sent home by ambulance in June of 1946. Her husband, Louis, however, died before she returned to the farm and the same ambulance that returned Cecelia to the farm removed the body of Louis.

There is an old saying that "things come in 3's. That was true for the Durocher family farm in Clayburg in 1946 On October 4 of 1946, just 4 days before their 24 wedding anniversary, Nelson's wife Rose Eva died in childbirth which is another story. (Some of back issues which cover this aspect of the family tapestry are in; Volume 1, #1 pg 18-19, 1996, Volume 3 #1 pg5, 1998, and Volume 7 # 2 pg 17, 2002)

The obituaries of Louis and Cecelia were in the local Plattsburg paper.

Durocher Services to be Held Tomorrow

Plattsburgh Press Republican June (died on June 12, 1946)

Funeral Services for Louis Durocher, 78, who died at home at Clayburg, Wednesday at 10 p. m. will be held tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock from Assumption Church at Redford. Burial will be in the church cemetery.

Mr. Durocher, who was born at Saranac, July 15, 1868, the son of Alexander Durocher and Mary Coryer Durocher, is survived by his widow, the former Cecile Coulombe; three sons, Fred and Louis of Plattsburgh and Nelson of Clayburg; three daughters, Mrs. Howard Myers and Mrs. Edgar Surprenant of Redford and Mrs. William Hall of Plattsburgh; one brother, Wilfred, of Peasleeville; 23 grandchildren, one great-grandchild and several nieces and nephews.

Final Rites Are Held For Louis Durocher

Final rites for Louis Durocher of Clayburg were held Saturday morning at 9:30 o'clock from Assumption Church at Redford. Rev. Euclid Elie, pastor, celebrated the requiem Mass, assisted by Rev. W.C. McMann, pastor of St. Matthew's Church at Black Brook as deacon and Rev. Thomas Robillard,

assistant pastor of Assumption Church, as sub-deacon.

Internment was in the church cemetery, where Father Robillard recited prayers at the grave.

Pallbearers were John Gleason, Charles Miner, Michael Waldron, Wilfred Chartier, Euclid Pellerin, and George Raymond.

Mrs. Cecelia Durocher Dies At Clayburg Home

From the Plattsburg Press Republican
September 1, 1946

Mrs. Cecelia Durocher, 77, widow of the late Louis Durocher, died yesterday at her home in Clayburg.

Mrs. Durocher was born in Redford, the daughter of Narcisse (Nelson) Coulombe and Lizze (Onesime) Parent. She was a member of the Lady of Rosaries society and a member of the Union of Prayers.

Survivors include three sons, Fred and Louis of this city (Plattsburg) and Nelson of Clayburg; three daughters, Mrs. Edgar Surprenant and Mrs. Howard Myers of Clayburg and Mrs. William Hall of Plattsburg; and one sister Mrs. Ada Keef of Watertown, mass.

Funeral services will be held Monday morning at 9:30 o'clock from the Church of the Assumption, Redford. Burial will be in the church cemetery.

Final Rites Held for Mrs. Cecelia Durocher

From the Plattsburg Press Republican
(September, 1946)

Funeral services for Mrs. Cecelia Durocher, 77, who died Friday at her home in Clayburg, were held yesterday

morning at 9:30 o'clock from the Church of the Assumption, Redford.

Rev. Euclid Elie, pastor, celebrated the requiem high Mass, assisted by Rev. Joseph Doyle as deacon and Rev. Father Robillard as sub-deacon. Members of the Rosary Society, of which Mrs. Durocher was a member, attended services in a body.

Pallbearers were James Farrell, Charles Turner, Henry Butler, Henry Brickey, Henry Lamora and James Catarac.

1946 was an important year for the Nelson Durocher branch of the family in another way. With endings come new beginnings.

- ❖ 1946 was the start of another generation for the Nelson and Rose Eva branch of the family when Eileen Durocher Kourofsky and Joker (Joseph) Kourofsky had a baby girl named Joan Eileen Kourofsky on April 27, 1946.
- ❖ In the Fred and Ora Durocher branch-- Edward Harold Durocher married Mary Bedard on August 16, 1946
- ❖ In the Louis and Marie Blanch branch-- the oldest child Fleur Ange Durocher married Guy Lewis Peryea on August 17, 1946
- ❖ Beverly Morgan, child of Nelson And Rose Eva Durocher, the sprout that lead to the Morgan/Durocher branch of the family, was born on October 4, 1946

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Descendants of Cecelia Durocher Surprenant & Edgar Surprenant m. 9/1/1935

2 Cecelia Durocher Surprenant

+ Edgar Surprenant m.9/1/1935, Redford NY

(Child of Edgar step-child of Cecelia)

3 Edgar Surprenant Jr. b. 4/2/0/1922 Binghamton N.Y. d.11/21/1995

+ Alice Nickerson m. 10/5/1942, Binghamton, NY, (d. 11/7/1978)

4 Michael Surprenant b.1/20/1947

+ Tess (Theresa) Romanus m. 11/18/1972, Charleston, South Carolina

5 Jason Romanus Surprenant b.1/11/1974 Charleston, South Carolina

5 Michael Romanus Surprenant b. 9/28/1976 Charleston, South Carolina

5 Tracy Romanus Surprenant b. 1/9/1978 Charleston, South Carolina

4 Maureen Surprenant (twin) 8/8/1950/ died 2/17/01,Plattsburgh, NY

4 Maria Surprenant (twin) 8/8/1950

3 Clement Albert Surpernant (Suprenant) 3 Stillbirth 5/1/1944 (birth defects)

3 Sandra Surprenant b. 1945 (adopted)

+ Partner: **Marvin Morrow**

4 Debbie Ann Surprenant Dominy b. 7/27/1960 Plattsburgh NY (adopted by Richard Dominy)

+ **Spyros Haralambopolous** b10/3/1956 m.: 8/11/84 (deceased)

5 Arron Allen Dominy b. 9/26/78

1st Husband of **Sandra (Sandy) Surprenant**

+ **Richard Dominy**

4 Ricky Allen Dominy b. 12/30/1961 Albany NY

+ **Ann Marie Dominy** b 1/28/61 m.: 7/28/90

5 Sarah Lynn Domily b. 3/19/78

5 Ricky Allen Dominy Jr. b 1/7/88

5 Julia Marie Dominy b 1/21/92

4 Lisa Marie Dominy b. 8/24/1963 Albany NY

+ **Jeffrey Owen Bonesteel** b.8/11/61 m: 6/1/1985

5 Jeffrey Paul Bonesteel b 12/8/81

5 Andrew Joseph Bonesteel b 11/4/85

5 Tiffany Marie Bonesteel b. 3/29/90

4 Patricia Lee Dominy b. 7/26/1966 Albany NY,

+ **Timothy Albert Charbonneau** 8/26/65 m. 11/28/87 div. 12/28/98

5 Ryan Owen Charbonneau b 5/6/88

5 Matthew Patrick Charbonneau b 7/30/90

4 Cheri Lynn Dominy b.1/28/68 Albany NY,

+ **Gilbert Henry Shepard** 11/11/60 m. 4/3/92

5 Kristina Marie Shepard b 10/1/86

5 Heather Lynn Shepard b /7/3/90

4 Edward Lawrence Dominy 1/09/1970 Troy NY,

+ **Patricia Ann Dominy** 1/20/66 m. 5/9/92

5 Amber Rae Dominy b. 6/15/90

5 Shane Edward Dominy b 2/12/93

2nd husband of **Sandra (Sandy) Supernant**

(first name unknown) Salway

3rd husband of **Sandra (Sandy) Supernant**

Ernie Rogers

2nd husband of Cecelia Durocher Surprenant

Fred Provost m: 1964 d: 1975



Cecelia Durocher's 6th Grade Report Card

Cecelia Surprenant' Provost, the child of Louis Napoleon and Cecelia (Coulombe

Durocher), kept her 6th grade (1st half) report card among her family documents. The hand written report card is a page from a blue-lined notepad that was penned by her teacher Margaret A Gleason. Reading 76%

Writing 78%
 Spelling 76%
 Arithmetic 83 2/3%
 Geography 88%
 Physiology 75%
 English 83%
 Mature Study Age 94%
 Drawing 98%

Signed by
 Margaret A Gleason
 Teacher



From Eugene Giard to his cousin Cecelia

Cecelia corresponded with her cousin Eugene. (Eugene's mother Delia Coulombe Giard and Cecelia's mother, also named Cecelia Coulombe were sisters). Cecelia's family lived on a farm in Clayburg; N.Y. Delia's family lived in the Ware, Massachusetts area. It is believed that Delia had 3; Eugene (Gene) Wesley and one son, who's name is unknown. Her daughter's name was Iona.

A copy of the letter was provided by Lita (Myers) Maroney, daughter of Valida Myers, Cecelia's sister.

Fort Ethan Allen
 Vermont
 March 2, 1918

Dear Cousin Cecelia,
 Received your nice letter of the 27th and was very glad to hear from you. It seems very strange that I have a cousin so close and that I have never heard from you before. Iona told me that she had written to you and that you were going to write. How far is your home from here? I might be able to run over some Sat and Sunday if it is not very far.

That is if I hear from you soon for we do not think we will be here long. We are all ready to move every thing is packed and most of our things are turned in. All our boxes and other things are marked

"American Expeditionary Forces". That means that we are going "across" and very soon. We have our trench shoes and overcoats. The shoes are great heavy things, one pair weighing four pounds. The soles are about 3/4" thick – all covered with bob-nails, like woodsmen wear and the heels have a horseshoe. The rough side of the leather is on the out side of the shoe and the dressed, or finished, side on the inside. It's an awful looking shoe but I guess it is just the thing for the trenches. The overcoats are short ones, just reaching down to the knees.

I haven't been home since last July and I won't be able to go. For all they will give us, at the most, is 36 hour pass; which would not be enough to go to Springfield (Massachusetts). It hurts like the dickens to think of going to the Front with out seeing the folks once more, but this is the army and one can't do as he wants. All we do is make the best of it and pray that this war will soon be over. You say you have two brothers in the army, have you any more brothers or sisters? Have you a picture of your self that I could have soon! If we should move from here before I hear from you I will write as soon as I know where we are going to be. For now that we have started writing we must keep it up, it's a shame that we, cousins, should never have seen or heard from one another before this.

We are having some nice weather today. Notice I said today, for tomorrow it may be snowing and awful cold. It sure seems a country for change in weather one day nice and warm and makes one think of spring and the next a regular winter day.

I like the army very much but believe me I would rather be back home. I am a "first class private," now. That means three dollars more per month and the first chance to be made a corpl. I also

work for an officer as his orderly which means more money and a lot of time off from drills.

Must close now. Write soon won't you Cecelia and don't forget the picture. Would it be right to send my "little" or "big" cousin a `kiss and my love? I do. And if you think I have my nerve say so in your next letter.

Your loving cousin
(Gene) Eugene
Private Eugene E. Giard
Troop ZM 2nd Calvary
Fort Ethan Allen
Vermont

Editor's note: Only one of Cecelia's brothers was in the service, Nelson. For more of the Eugene war correspondence and the Nelson Durocher war letters check out Generations, Volume 12, #1, 2007.



Cecelia Writes to one of her Nieces

Plattsburgh N.Y.
November 10, 1983

Dear Beverly.

No doubt you will be surprised to get this letter and doily. I have made all my nieces each a doily. You and Laura are the last ones. I am also sending her one too. I do not hear from your girls very often. Leona called me a while back and she was supposed to go back to Texas with her daughter November 4th.

I keep busy crocheting and knitting. I crochet Afghans also. I have 4 made for Sandra's children. I have two more to go so I make them, then give them away.

I've already sent Yvonne the doily and she wrote back. Her twins are already 15 years old. It don't seem possible. No wonder I am feeling old.

We saw snow for the first time Saturday. Leo (Myers) called Aunt Bea and said

they got about 6 or 7 inches in Clayburg. Aunt Blanch and Uncle Louis celebrated their 60th Wedding anniversary the 15th of October. Leo Myers daughter was married the same day so we had quite a day of it.

Uncle Louis had a birthday party the 16th of July; his 84th birthday. I guess we haven't seen Nelson and Lorraine since picnic day (Redford Picnic) and Raymond, Aunt Beatrice and I went up there (the farm in Clayburg) Labor Day We saw the girls (Nelson and Rose's Eva's daughters) at Uncle Louis's Wedding Anniversary, all but Elsie.

Aunt Beatrice come after to go to church so I spend every weekend with her. I come back on Monday. I hope you get this all right. Let me know when you get this letter.

I sign off, so Bye Bye
Love Aunt Cecelia.



Matriarch Moves from New York to North Carolina

Sandra (Sandy) Dominy Rogers, daughter of Cecelia Surprenant Provost and Edgar Surprenant grew up in Redford, New York, just a couple of miles from the farm in Clayburgh where her mother grew up.

Sandy spent many years in the Cohoes, New York area where she brought up her children. She later moved to North Carolina where some of her children lived. Family members, including her niece Maria Surprenant also moved to the area contributing to a thriving branch of the family in North Carolina.

Sandy shared some of her day to day life in a personal correspondence sent to Beverly Morgan when she sent some of her mother's collection of photos and papers to be included in Generations.

January 4, 2007
 Wilmington, North Carolina

Here are some of the pictures I promised you. We moved again in August and things got all packed again. We only went about 10 miles but its closer to the city. We were outside the area of the city lights. Now we are closer to the stores and the girls and have a garage with this house. We've had company from N.Y. several times and with me babysitting five days a week my weekends are pretty busy with shopping, cleaning and church and whatever is going on. Of course until the end of October the beach was one of the priorities for the weekend. Wrightsville Beach is 1 mile down the road.

In a few days I will have lived here a year and I'm still wondering why I didn't do this sooner. I know you are probably used to not wearing a coat all winter and no snow but I still can't get over it! We were putting up and taking down Christmas decorations in short sleeves and Capri's. My granddaughters came for Thanksgiving and now they are planning to move down this spring. Christmas was quite different this year though. Mine used to be like on the farm (in Clayburg) when everyone was still there and this one we only had 10 people here. (Less clean up and confusion though!) My health is still great down here I haven't been sick since I've been here.

Love
 Sandy



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Lemay Twins Compete

Bernice Donaldson sent this note from her twin granddaughters. (Children of Gerald Thomas Lemay and Virginia Manahan).

Hi grandma and grandpa, thank you very much! We did our best and it was amazing. We were only less than 3pts away from bronze and 7pts away from silver. It was a very tight competition. I attached a photo of us diving, that's on the front page of the philstar.com.

DOUBLE TAKE: Twins Dhayna and Nicole Lemay of the Philippines compete in the women's 3-meter synchronized springboard finals of the 24th Southeast Asian Games in Nakhon Ratchasima, Thailand. - Photo by JOEYMENDOZA

