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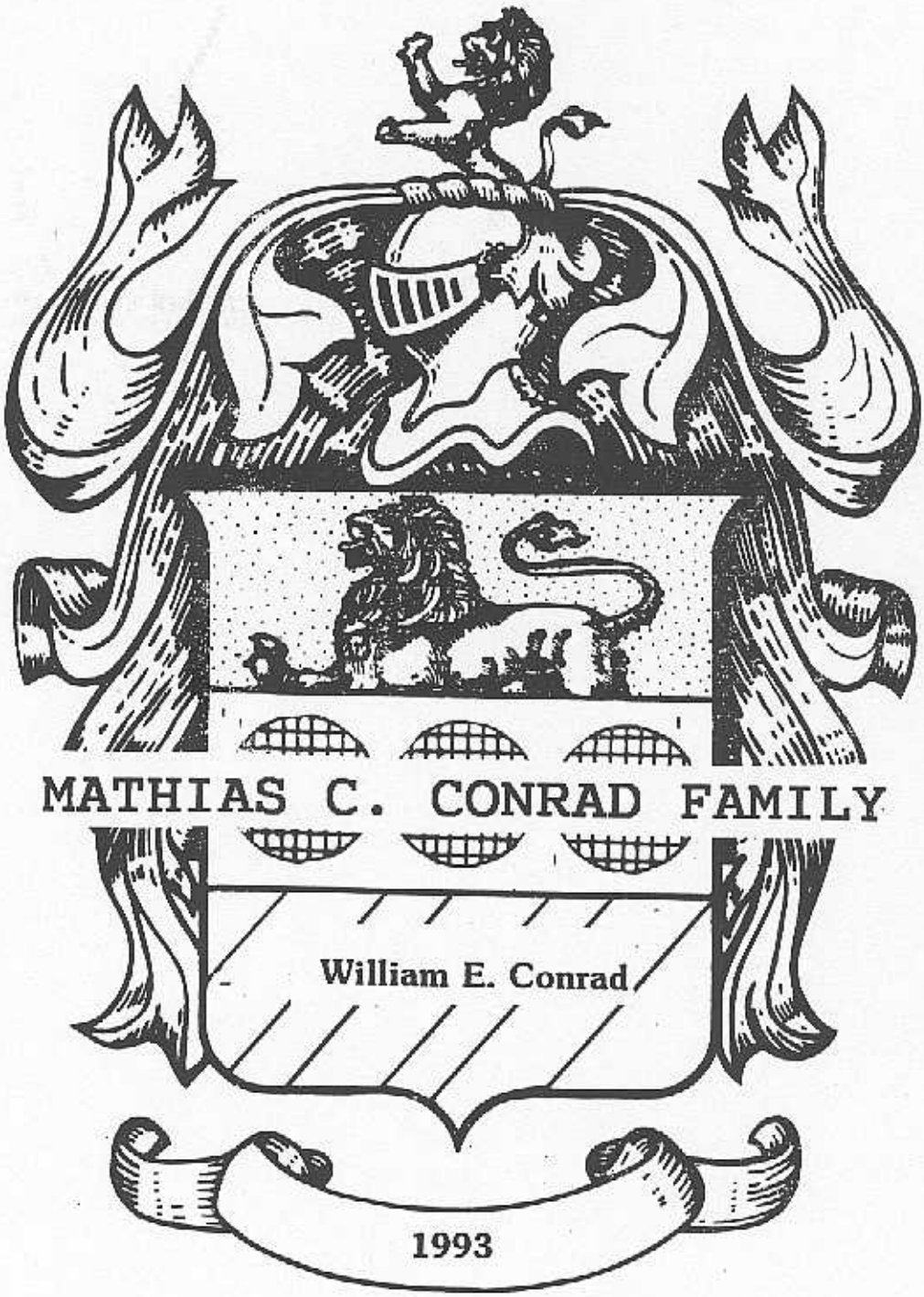

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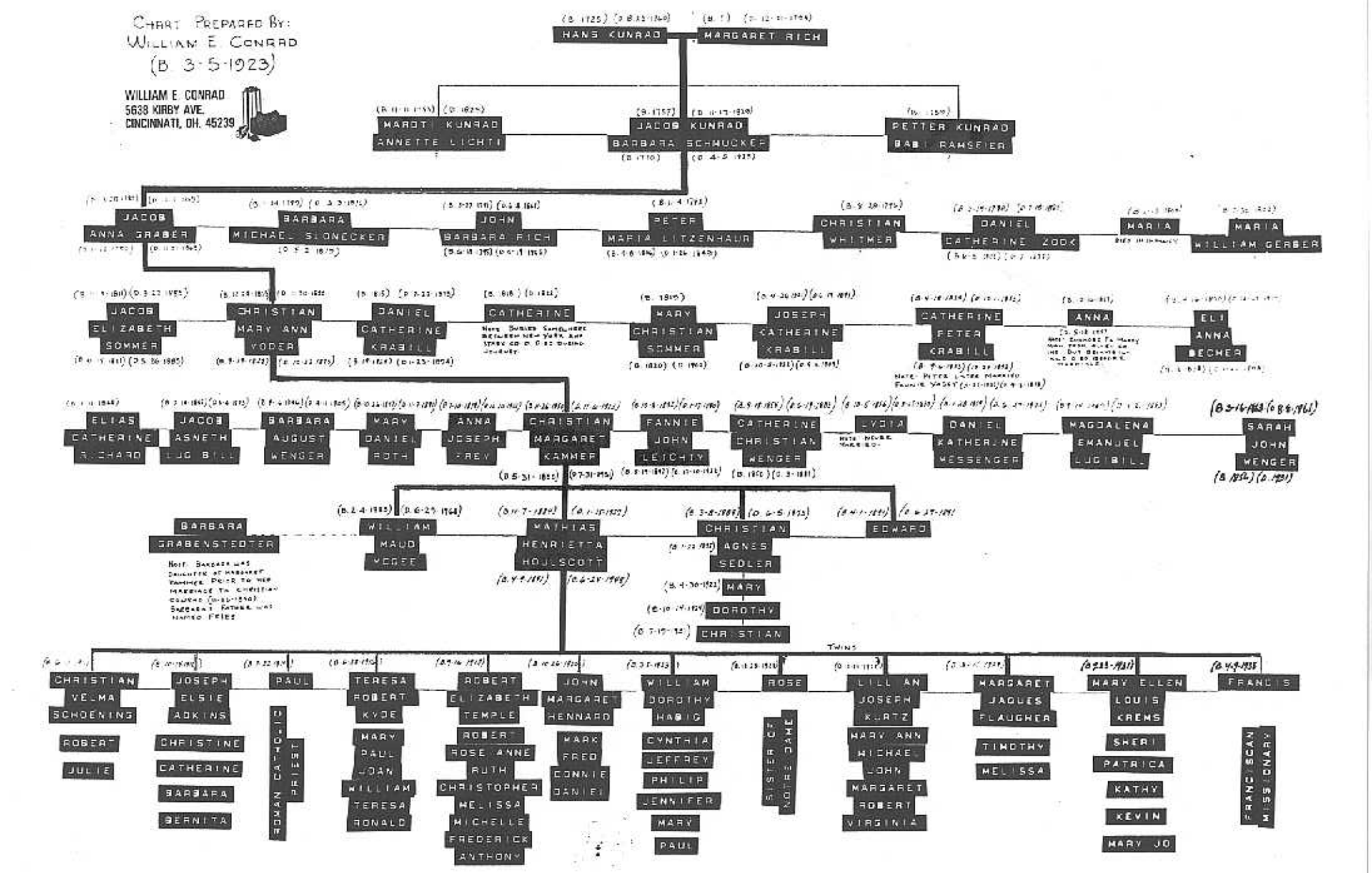
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MATHIAS C. CONRAD--HENRIETTA HOULSCOTT

THIS SECTION OF THE GENEAOLOGY OF THE CHRISTIAN CONRAD FAMILY PORTRAYS THE FAMILY OF MATHIAS C. CONRAD AND HENRIETTA (HOULSCOTT) CONRAD.

MATHIAS AND HENRIETTA WERE MARRIED AT SAINT JAMES ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH IN WYOMING, OHIO. HENRIETTA WAS ALSO BAPTIZED A ROMAN CATHOLIC THERE IN 1891, ON APRIL 19TH.

MATT WAS BORN IN DOWNTOWN CINCINNATI ON NOVEMBER 7TH 1884. TOGETHER THEY HAD 13 CHILDREN BORN TO THEM OVER A SPAN OF 25 YEARS. CHRISTIAN, THE FIRST CHILD WAS BORN ON JUNE 13, 1911, AND THE LAST CHILD FRANCIS, WAS BORN ON APRIL 9TH 1935. ONE OF THE THIRTEEN CHILDREN DIED SHORTLY AFTER BIRTH, HER NAME WAS DELORES AND HER PHOTO DOES NOT APPEAR AMONG THE PHOTOS OF THIS SECTION.

HENRIETTA DIED IN 1948 ON JUNE 24TH, OF A STROKE THAT SHE SUFFERED AT ANNUNCIATION CHURCH FESTIVAL, ON A HOT DAY IN JUNE.

MATT SUFFERED A STROKE THAT LEFT HIM BEDRIDDEN, HE EVENTUALLY DIED AFTER THE LONG ILLNESS OF PNEUMONIA AT ST MARY HOSPITAL IN CINCINNATI ON JANUARY 15, 1957.

THE PHOTOS THAT FOLLOW TELL THE STORY OF THE MATHIAS AND HENRIETTA (HOULSCOTT) CONRAD FAMILY.

BOTH MATT AND HENRIETTA ARE BURIED IN THE NEW ST. JOSEPH CEMETARY IN PRICE HILL, AT THE END OF WEST 8TH ST. IN CINCINNATI.

CHRISTIAN ANTHONY CONRAD (1911-1996)

BY JULIE ZAENKERT (1940)

CHRIS WAS ALMOST 24 YEARS ON THIS PHOTO. HE WAS BORN JUNE 13, 1911 IN WALNUT HILLS, CINCINNATI, OHIO. HE WAS THE OLDEST OF MATHIAS AND HENRIETTA'S THIRTEEN CHILDREN. HE WAS FROM CHILDHOOD VERY DARING AND PRONE TO MISCHIEF. AT THE AGE OF 12 YEARS HE PUT TOGETHER 3 BICYCLES FROM SCRAP PARTS USING MONEY HE EARNED FROM A NEWSPAPER ROUTE, AND RENTED THE BICYCLES OUT FOR 15 CENTS PER HOUR TO NEIGHBORHOOD CHILDREN. AFTER GRADUATING FROM ST ANTHONY"S CATHOLIC SCHOOL IN THE WEST END OF CINCINNATI, HE ATTENDED THREE MONTHS IN A CATHOLIC SEMINARY,BUT LEFT TO HELP SUPPORT THE GROWING CONRAD FAMILY.

WHEN HE WAS 15 YEARS OLD HE WORKED AT A BAKERY, AND IN SEPTEMBER OF 1927, HE TOOK A POSITION WITH THE WESTERN UNION TELEGRAPH CO. AS A MESSENGER IN THE DOWNTOWN AREA OF CINCINNATI. HE LATER BOUGHT A NEW BICYCLE. FROM HIS SAVINGS HE BOUGHT A MOTORCYCLE FOR 15 DOLLARS, AND THEN A MODEL "T" FORD FOR 25 DOLLARS, AND BECAME A WESTERN UNION MOTOR MESSENGER. IN 1929 HE BOUGHT HIS FIRST NEW CAR, A MODEL 'A" FORD FOR 525 DOLLARS. IN A CONTEST IN 1933, HE WON A CORRESPONDENCE COURSE IN RADIO OFFERED BY THE DE FOREST RADIO SCHOOL IN DETROIT, MICHIGAN AND OBTAINED THE NEEDED MATHEMATICS AT THE UNIVERSITY OF CINCINNATI, AT NIGHT. WHILE GETTING HIS FORMAL RADIO TRAINING, HE REPAIRED RADIOS

BY SOLICITING WORK FROM FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS AT A VERY NOMINAL COST TO THEM. IN 1935, HE MARRIED VELMA SCHOENING, WHO PASSED AWAY IN 1971 FROM CANCER. THEY HAD TWO CHILDREN BORN TO THEM ROBERT CHRISTIAN, BORN 1939 AND JULIE ANN IN 1940. IN 1937, CHRIS LEFT WESTERN UNION FOR TEST CONSTRUCTION AT CROSLEY RADIO CORPORATION ON ARLINGTON ST., IN THE MILLCREEK VALLEY. HE LEFT THIS POSITION WHEN A FRIEND RECOMMENDED THAT HE WORK HIS JOB AT LOCKE AND GLEN CO. SERVICING MOTOROLA CAR RADIOS. CHRIS STAYED IN CONTACT WITH MOTOROLA AND SERVICED POLICE 2 WAY RADIOS WHICH REQUIRED A LICENSED RADIO ENGINEER UNDER THE RULES OF THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION, AT THE POLICE STATIONS. AFTER WORLD WAR 2 THERE WAS AN ACUTE SHORTAGE OF RADIO BROADCAST ENGINEERS, AND CHRIS JOINED RADIO STATION W C P O , WHERE HE WAS BROADCAST ENGINEER FOR ALL THE CINCINNATI REDS BALL GAMES. IN IN 1952, HE PURCHASED A HOME ON GALBRAITH ROAD AT WINTON, AND COMBINED IT INTO A BUSINESS WHEN THE ZONING LAW CHANGES TOOK PLACE. IT BECAME CONRAD RADIO INC. HIS BUSINESS FLOURISHED DURING THE 1950'S AS MORE TAXI CABS COS. AND THE HAMILTON COUNTY POLICE DEPARTMENT CONTRACTED UNDER HIM. IN 1962 HIS SON ROBERT WITH HIS COLLEGE EXPERTISE JOINED HIM AND THE BUSINESS EXPERIENCED A GREAT EXPANSION. IN 1996, CIT MOBILCOM BECAME THE 6TH LARGEST MOTOROLA TWO-WAY RADIO DEALERSHIP IN THE UNITED STATES. THE COMPANY EMPLOYES OVER 130 PERSONS FROM IT'S HEADQUARTERS IN GREENHILLS, OHIO.

AFTER VELMA'S DEATH IN 1971, CHRIS MARRIED ANN WESSELS IN 1974.

CHRIS DIED AT THE AGE OF 84, THE CAUSE OF CHRISTIAN'S DEATH WAS CONGESTIVE HEART FAILURE WHICH HE SUFFERED WHILE VACATIONING IN HIS WINTER HOME IN LEHIGH ACRES, FLORIDA. CHRIS KEPT A DIARY WHICH HE BEGAN IN 1933, AND KEPT IT UP UNTIL A FEW DAYS BEFORE HIS DEATH IN 1996. HIS REMAINS ARE BURIED ALONGSIDE HIS FIRST WIFE VELMA, WHO BORE HIM HIS CHILDREN. THEY ARE BURIED IN THE VENICE CEMETARY AT ROSS, OHIO.

ROBERT CONRAD MARRIED NANCY EARNST IN 1962. THEIR FIRST CHILD WAS GREGORY, WHO MARRIED LYNETTE NIEDERMAN. THEY HAVE A DAUGHTER NAMED CAROLINE, BORN IN 1995. GREGG WAS BORN IN 1963.

IN 1964, SUZANNE WAS BORN. SHE MARRIED RONALD MERSCH AND THEY HAD THE FOLLOWING CHILDREN. ZACHERY,1984. CLARA,1986. NATHANIEL 1989. LYDIA,1990. ISABEL, 1993.

IN 1965, JOSEPH WAS BORN, AND HE MARRIED CHRISTINE MC DONALD. THEIR CHILDREN ARE MATTHEW, 1990. JESSICA, 1994.

SALLY WAS BORN IN 1967, AND SHE MARRIED DAVID NIEMAN. THEIR FIRST CHILD WAS BORN IN 1994. IN 1996, TWINS WERE BORN TO THEM JONATHAN AND JACOB.

JULIE, SECOND CHILD OF CHRISTIAN AND VELMA CONRAD, WAS BORN IN

1940. SHE MARRIED FRED ZAENKERT IN 1960. THEIR FAMILY IS AS FOLLOWS: ROBERT 1961, MARRIED MICHELLE STENGER. THEIR CHILDREN ARE CHRISTOPHER, 1992, AND NICHOLAS 1994.

DANIEL BORN 1963 MARRIED BARBARA KELLER. THEY HAVE A SON BRANDON BORN IN 1988.

MADONNA, BORN IN 1964, MARRIED ROBERT BEAMER.

FREDERICK THE 3RD, BORN 1971, MARRIED ANGELA WOOSLEY. THEY HAVE A SON AARON BORN IN 1991, AND A DAUGHTER BRITTANY, BORN IN 1992.

JOSEPH WAS BORN IN 1977.

CHRISTA WAS BORN IN 1978.

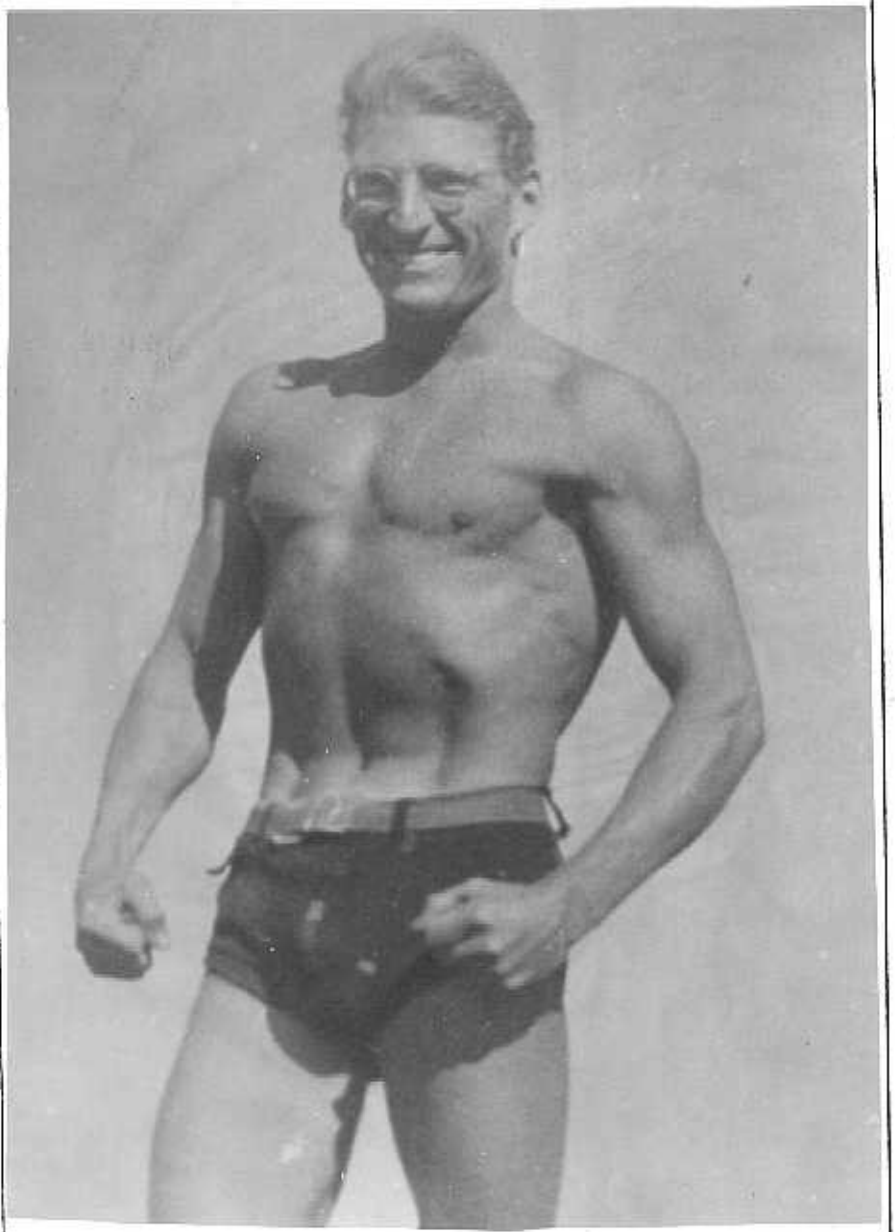
JENNIFER WAS BORN IN 1980.

AMY WAS BORN IN 1982.

FRED AND JULIE ALSO HAVE TWO ADOPTED CHILDREN:

HARRY, BORN IN 1957, MARRIED TINA BRIDGEFORD. THEY HAVE TWO CHILDREN, SARAH, 1980. AND JASON 1982.

MARGIE, BORN IN 1958, MARRIED ANTHONY SEARS. THEY HAVE TWO CHILDREN, JEREMY,1983. AND ELIZABETH BORN IN 1984.



JOSEPH J. CONRAD (10/14/1912)

BY JOE CONRAD

BORN OCT.14, 1912. HIS EARLY YEARS WERE SPENT IN THE SAME HOUSES MENTIONED IN MY BROTHER CHRIS CONRAD'S BIOGRAPHY. DITTO FOR SCHOOLS. THEY ATTENDED THE SAME SCHOOLS AND WERE IN THE SAME GRADES TILL THEY LEFT ST. ANTHONY'S ON BUDD STREET IN THE WEST END OF CINCINNATI.

CHRIS AND JOE WERE SCHEDULED TO START AT ST. FRANCIS SEMINARY, HOWEVER CHRIS BECAME SICK AND JOE WENT ALONE. CHRIS LASTED THREE MONTHS AFTER HE FINALLY ARRIVED, AND JOE LASTED A YEAR AND A HALF. VOCATIONS GONE SOUR. ON TO ELDER HIGH SCHOOL. SOMEWHAT OF AN ENTREPENEUR WITH 120 EVENING PAPER CUSTOMERS AND A PAPER CORNER WITH 2 HELPERS, HE HAD MORE OF AN EYE FOR MAKING MONEY THAN SITTING IN SCHOOL. SO HE QUIT HIGH SCHOOL ON HIS SIXTEENTH BIRTHDAY. CHRIS WAS ALREADY WORKING FOR THE WESTERN UNION AND HAD DEVELOPED A FRIENDSHIP WITH THE COMMERCIAL MANAGER, MR. MOORMAN, BECAUSE BOTH WERE AMETUER RADIO BUGS. MOORMAN TOOK A LIKING TO JOE AND AFTER A MONTH OR SO AFTER HE STARTED AS A BICYCLE MESSENGER, MR. MOORMAN SENT HIM OFF TO TELEGRAPHERS SCHOOL TO LEARN THE NEW SIMPLEX METHOD OF TELEGRAPHY. OUT OF TELEGRAPHY SCHOOL, HE WAS MANAGING A BRANCH WESTERN UNION OFFICE WHEN HE WAS 16 YEARS OLD. ON THE DAY THAT THE STOCK MARKET CRASHED IN 1929, HE WENT TO WORK AT 7 IN THE MORNING, AND WAS STILL SENDING OUT MARGIN CALLS AT MIDNIGHT.

COME THE GREAT DEPRESSION, AND HE WAS GIVEN THE CHOICE OF BEING LAID OFF, OR BECOMING A MESSENGER. HE CHOSE THE MESSENGER JOB, RIDING A BICYCLE, MOTORCYCLE, OR MOTOR SCOOTER, WHILE DOUBLING AS A RELIEF TELEGRAPHER, ACCIDENT INVESTIGATOR, AND OTHER MISCELLANEOUS JOBS NOT REQUIRING A FULL TIME EMPLOYEE. WHEN BUSINESS PICKED UP AND HE WAS RECALLED TO A FULL TIME OPERATOR POSITION, HE REFUSED AND STAYED ON AS A MESSENGER, GRADUATING TO A FULL TIME AUTOMOBILE MESSENGER.

COME WORLD WAR 2, AND HE WAS DRAFTED, LOSING A GASOLINE FILLING STATION HE WAS RUNNING IN HIS OFF HOURS ALONG WITH BROTHER-IN-LAW BOB KYDE. STARTING OUT IN THE ARMY IN THE QUARTERMASTER CORPS AS A MOTORCYCLE MECHANIC, HE PROGRESSED TO THE MILITARY POLICE, THEN TO THE SIGNAL CORPS, WINDING UP AS A CHIEF OPERATOR IN A RADIO STATION. HE DID NOT GO OVERSEAS LIKE HIS OTHER BROTHERS.

OUT OF THE ARMY AND BACK AT THE WESTERN UNION, HE MARRIED ELSIE ADKINS, ALSO A WESTERN UNION EMPLOYEE. THEY HAD FOUR GIRLS BORN TO THEM. THE FIRST, CHRISTINE, DIED AT BIRTH. THE OTHER THREE WERE CATHY, BARBARA, AND BERNITA IN THAT ORDER. ELSIE PASSED AWAY ON ELECTION DAY IN NOVEMBER OF 1988.

HE NEVER PAID RENT TO A LANDLORD. ONCE MARRIED HE BOUGHT A HOUSE AFTER WORLD WAR 2 JOINTLY WITH HIS BROTHER JOHN, WHO WAS JUST MARRIED TO MARGARET HENNARD. THE HOUSE WAS AT 1673 HARRISON IN FAIRMOUNT. NEXT BUY WAS AN INVESTMENT BEAUTY SHOP ON BAYMILLER ST. IN CINCINNATI'S WEST END. THEN ANOTHER INVESTMENT

AT 3011 RIDDLEVIEW LANE IN CLIFTON. THEN HE SOLD THE HOUSE ON HARRISON AVE., AND THE BEAUTY SHOP AND MOVED INTO TH HOUSE AT 3011 RIDDLEVIEW LANE WHILE HE BUILT A NEW HOUSE AT #3025 RIDDLEVIEW LANE ON AN ADJOINING LOT.

AN AVID DO-IT-YOURSELFER, HE LIFTED WEIGHTS, SWAM EVERY SWIMMABLE DAY, BUILT HIS OWN HOUSE PHYSICALLY, BUILT HIS OWN 35 FOOT HOUSEBOAT ON THE OHIO RIVER, BICYCLES FROM SCRATCH, AND DROVE OVER TWO MILLION MILES IN CARS THAT HE RESURRECTED FROM THE JUNK YARDS.

ASKED BY THE EDITOR OF THIS GENEALOGY TO RECALL THE TOUGHEST DAY OF HIS LIFE, HE SAID THAT IT WAS ON VALENTINE'S DAY WITH SNOW ON THE GROUND WHEN HE STARTED AT 7 IN THE MORNING AND WAS STILL WORKING AT 1 AM, THE NEXT DAY, HAVING RIDDEN A BICYCLE IN THE SNOW FOR 125 MILES WITH NOTHING TO EAT OR DRINK. IT WAS ALSO THE DAY HE DELIVERED THE NOW FAMOUS TELEGRAM WHICH READ "I ASK THROUGH MILES OF FROZEN WIRE, WON'T YOU BE MY BALL OF FIRE" 14 WORDS - 40 CENTS.

EDITORS NOTE: DURING THE GREAT DEPRESSION, OUR FATHER MATT WORKED NIGHTS TO EARN MORE MONEY TO SUPPORT OUR LARGE FAMILY. IT WAS JOE WHO TOOK OVER THE ROLL OF BEING FATHER OF THE FAMILY FOR US. I AM PERSONALLY GREATFUL FOR ALL HE DID FOR ME WHILE I WAS GROWING UP AND NEEDED A DAYTIME FATHER.

PAUL A. CONRAD (1914-1990)

PAUL A CONRAD WAS THE THIRD CHILD OF MATHIAS C. CONRAD AND HENRIETTA (HOULSCOTT) CONRAD. HE WAS BORN IN CINCINNATI ON JULY 22, 1914, WHEN THE FAMILY LIVED AT #3009 CLEINVIEW AVE. IN WALNUT HILLS.

AFTER GRADUATING FROM ST. ANTHONY ROMAN CATHOLIC SCHOOL IN THE WEST END OF CINCINNATI, PAUL ENTERED ST. GREGORY SEMINARY, AND FINISHED HIS THEOLOGY AT MT. SAINT MARY SEMINARY IN NORWOOD, O. HE WAS ORDAINED A SECULAR PRIEST IN THE ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH IN 1941, AND READ HIS FIRST MASS AT SAINT HENRY CHURCH AT 1058 FLINT ST. IN THE WEST END OF CINCINNATI, IN JUNE, 1941.

HE SERVED AS ASSISTANT PASTOR AT NUMEROUS CHURCHES IN CINCINNATI, HAMILTON, AND DAYTON. HE WAS PASTOR OF CHURCHES IN HAMILTON, XENIA, JAMESTOWN, WAYNESVILLE, AND GERMANTOWN, O. HE WAS PASTOR OF ST. AUGUSTINE CHURCH IN GERMANTOWN, O. AND DIED AT HIS RETIREMENT HOME IN GERMANTOWN. HE WAS A PRIEST FROM THE TIME THAT HE WAS ORDAINED UNTIL HIS DEATH IN 1990.

FATHER PAUL WAS A VERY MILD MANNERED MAN, AND WAS LOVED BY HIS PARISHIONERS EVERY WHERE HE WENT. HE WAS NOT A MONEY ORIENTED PERSON AND ALWAYS PREACHED THAT THE LORD WILL PROVIDE FOR EVERYTHING IN LIFE.

HE WAS A "FIX IT" PERSON AND HAD THE ABILITY TO PERFORM NUMEROUS

PROJECTS WITH MECHANICAL AND ELECTRICAL PROBLEMS. HE HAD A REPUTATION FOR FIXING UP THE CHURCHES HE WAS ASSIGNED TO. A VERY INDEPENDENT PERSON WHO NEVER SAW THE NEED FOR A HOUSEKEEPER AND NEVER HAD ONE AS LONG AS HE WAS PASTOR OF A CHURCH. HE WAS FIXING UP HIS RETIREMENT HOME AT THE TIME OF HIS DEATH.

HE WAS A LOVER OF AUTOMOBILES, BOATS, CAMERAS AND GADGETS OF ALL KINDS. MANY OF THE PHOTOS IN THIS GENEOLOGY WERE TAKEN BY HIM OF THE FAMILY. HE ALSO TOOK 16 MM MOVIE FILMS OF THE FAMILY WHICH HE GAVE TO ME FOR FUTURE FAMILY VIEWING.

AFTER SUFFERING FROM HIGH BLOOD PRESSURE FOR MANY YEARS, HE SPENT SOME TIME IN ST. CLARE REHABILITATION CENTER IN HARTWELL, AND RETURNED TO GERMANTOWN O. TO THE HOME HE WAS FIXING UP.

A YEAR BEFORE HIS DEATH, JOSEPH AND I VISITED HIM AND ASKED HIM IF HE WISHED TO GO INTO A RETIREMENT HOME IN CINCINNATI IN ORDER TO BE CLOSER TO HIS FAMILY. HE REFUSED THIS OPTION AND SAID THAT HIS PLANS WERE TO FIX UP AN OLD HOME.

SEVERAL MONTHS BEFORE HIS DEATH, ROBERT CAME TO SEE HIM, AND SUBSEQUENTLY WROTE A LETTER TO JOSEPH AND MYSELF, AND STATED THAT FATHER PAUL CONSIDERED HIS PARISHONERS HIS REAL FAMILY, AND WAS LEAVING IN HIS WILL EVERYTHING THAT HE OWNED TO A PARISH FAMILY THAT WAS CARING FOR HIM WHILE HE WAS IN ILL HEALTH, WHICH HE DID.

PAUL DIED ON OCT. 18,1990, AND IS BURIED AT THE GATE OF HEAVEN CEMETARY IN THE CIRCLE OF 13 PRIESTS WHO WERE ORDAINED WITH HIM

TERESA M.(CONRAD) KYDE

BY WILLIAM E. CONRAD

TERESA WAS BORN ON JUNE 26, 1916 DURING WORLD WAR ONE, WHEN THE FAMILY LIVED AT #1 HARPER PLACE IN WALNUT HILLS. TERESA WAS A WELCOME GIFT TO MOM AFTER HAVING THREE BOYS BETWEEN JUNE 1911 AND JULY 1914.

TERESA ATTENDED ST ANTHONY ROMAN CATHOLIC SCHOOL IN THE WEST END OF CINCINNATI, UNTIL THE FAMILY MOVED TO NEWPORT KY. FOR A SHORT TIME BETWEEN 1929 AND 1930. SHE FINISHED HER ELEMENTARY EDUCATION AT ST. HENRY ROMAN CATHOLIC SCHOOL IN THE WEST END IN 1930.

AFTER GRADUATING FROM ST. HENRY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, SHE ATTENDED SEWING VOCATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL LOCATED ON COURT ST., AND FINISHED A TWO YEAR COURSE IN SEWING. SHE ATTENDED EAST NIGHT HIGH SCHOOL WHICH DURING THE DAY WAS WOODWARD HIGH SCHOOL. SHE GRADUATED FROM THERE IN 1935. TERESA BECAME INTERESTED IN DRAMATICS AND THE 1936 CINCINNATI CITY DIRECTORY LIST HER OCCUPATION AS AN ACTRESS.

TERESA ATTENDED THE CINCINNATI ART ACADEMY AND TOOK LESSONS ON SATURDAYS AT THE CINCINNATI ART MUSEUM. SHE BECAME AN EXCELLENT ARTIST. SHE WORKED WITH OIL PAINTING AND PASTELS. OVER THE YEARS SHE HAS PRODUCED NUMEROUS WORKS IN PASTELS OF PERSONS OF RENOWN, AND MANY RELIGIOUS WORKS OF BEAUTY.

SHE MET ROBERT KYDE AT NIGHT SCHOOL WHEN THEY WERE BOTH

ATTENDING WOODWARD. BOB LIVED JUST UP THE STREET FROM US WHEN WE LIVED AT 1155 POPLAR ST. BOB WAS AN INTERIOR DECORATOR WHO WORKED WITH HIS FATHER, WHO ALSO WAS AN EXCELLENT INTERIOR DECORATOR. MY FIRST REAL JOB WAS WORKING FOR BOB, STEAMING OFF WALL PAPER IN FANCY HOMES. WE WERE WORKING IN WALNUT HILLS ON HIGHLAND AVE. WHEN THE GASOLINE POWERED STEAMER CAUGHT ON FIRE. BOB WAS VERY COOL HEADED AND GRABBED THE FLAMING STEAMER, AND THREW THE STEAMER OUT OF THE SECOND FLOOR WINDOW AND SAVED THE BUILDING FROM BURNING. THE STEAMER EXPLODED JUST AS IT HIT THE GROUND IN THE FRONT LAWN, WITHOUT DAMAGE TO ANYTHING EXCEPT THE STEAMER. JOHN WAS AN APPRENTICE UNDER BOB KYDE AND BECAME AN EXCELLENT INTERIOR DECORATOR. A PROFESSION HE PRACTICED UNTIL HE DIED.

BOB AND TERESA WERE MARRIED AT ST. HENRY'S CHURCH ON AUG. 30TH 1941. FATHER PAUL CONRAD, WHO WAS JUST ORDAINED A PRIEST IN JUNE OF 1941, PERFORMED HIS FIRST MARRIAGE CEREMONY FOR A FAMILY MEMBER. INCIDENTALLY, 10 YEARS LATER IN 1951, HE MARRIED MY WIFE DOROTHY AND ME AT OUR LADY OF LOURDES CHURCH IN WESTWOOD.

BOB KYDE WAS AN EXCELLENT MATHEMATICIAN AND TAUGHT ME ALGEBRA AND GEOMETRY WHEN THE TEACHER AT AUTOMOTIVE HIGH SCHOOL TRIED AN EXPERIMENT TO TEACH ALGEBRA WITHOUT A TEXT BOOK. ONLY TWO PEOPLE PASSED THE FINAL EXAMS, BOB KYDE AND ME. THE WHOLE CLASS HAD TO TAKE THE YEAR OVER EXCEPT ME. I WAS GIVEN ONE YEAR OF MECHANICAL DRAWING IN LIEU OF ALGEBRA, THE MECHANICAL DRAWING KNOWLEGE CAME IN HANDY WHEN I GOT MY CITY JOB AND WHEN I WAS DRAFTED INTO THE UNITED STATES ARMY IN 1942.

TERESA AND BOB HAD SIX CHILDREN BORN TO THEM: MARY ROSE...PAUL.. JOAN MARIE...WILLIAM...TERESA...RONALD.

TERESA (CONRAD) KYDE WAS A HARD WORKING SECOND MOTHER TO ALL OF US CHILDREN WHEN THE FAMILY WAS GROWING UP. HENRIETTA SUFFERED FROM "OPEN LEG SORES" FROM CARRYING SO MANY CHILDREN DURING HER MANY PREGNANCIES. TERESA HELPED MOM AND WAS EXCELLENT AT BOTH RUNNING THE HOUSE AND WITH HOUSEHOLD FINANCES, AS MOM CARED LITTLE ABOUT OR NOTHING ABOUT MONEY. AS LONG AS THE FAMILY WAS PROPERLY FED, CLOTHED, AND HEALTHY, SHE CARED LITTLE OR NOTHING ABOUT ANYTHING ELSE, OTHER THAN OUR SPIRITUAL WELFARE.

BOB KYDE WAS BORN JANUARY 27TH, 1916, AND DIED JANUARY 20TH 1969 FROM A HEART CONDITION, AS DID OUR BROTHER JOHN. ON THE FRONT OF BOB'S FUNERAL CARD APPEARS THE VERSE FROM ST. LUKE, "HOLD HIGH YOUR LAMPS ALIGHT" THIS MESSAGE FOR HIS FAMILY.

TERESA AND BOB AND THEIR FAMILY SPENT MOST OF THEIR LIVES IN DEER PARK, OHIO, JUST OUTSIDE CINCINNATI ON SUPERIOR AVE. TERESA NOW LIVES IN WEST UNION, OHIO, AS DOES HER THIRD CHILD JOAN MARIE.

WHEN FATHER PAUL CONRAD WAS A PRIEST AT ST. JOHN'S PARISH IN DEER PARK, OHIO, ROGER STABACK, THE GREAT FOOTBALL QUARTERBACK, WAS ONE OF HIS ALTER BOYS.

ROBERT M. CONRAD (1918-1994)

BY ROSE ANN (TAYLOR) CONRAD
AND WILLIAM E. CONRAD

ROBERT M. CONRAD WAS BORN ON SEPT 16, 1918 IN LOCKLAND, OHIO AT #913 DAVIS STREET. HE ATTENDED ST ANTHONY ROMAN CATHOLIC SCHOOL ON BUDD ST. IN THE WEST END OF CINCINNATI,O. HE FINISHED HIS ELEMENTARY EDUCATION AT ST. HENRY SCHOOL WHEN THE CONRAD FAMILY MOVED TO 1211 POPLAR ST. IN THE WEST END, IN 1930. BOB ATTENDED AND GRADUATED FROM ELDER HIGH SCHOOL, AND WAS THE ONLY SON OF MATHIAS C. CONRAD TO GRADUATE FROM HIGH SCHOOL UP TO THIS TIME. BOB WAS A BRILLIANT PERSON WITH GREAT LITERARY TALENTS AND COULD WRITE OR TELL STORIES FOR HOURS ON END. HE WAS A CLASSICAL PERSON AND LOVED CLASSICAL MUSIC AND THE ARTS.

AFTER GRADUATING FROM ELDER HIGH SCHOOL AT THE HEIGHT OF THE GREAT DEPRESSION, THERE WERE NO OBTAINABLE JOBS. ROBERT ATTENDED BARBER COLLEGE AND WAS THE FIRST BARBER TO EVER CUT HAIR IN THE NEW CITY OF GREENHILLS, O. WHEN THE AREA WAS CONSTRUCTED INTO A FLOOD RETAINING AREA AFTER THE GREAT OHIO RIVER FLOOD OF 1937. BOB WAS A VERY CHARITABLE PERSON WHO USED TO DRIVE OUT INTO THE COUNTRY AND GIVE FREE HAIR CUTS TO PEOPLE WHO WERE BED RIDDEN. HE DID THIS IN A MODEL A FORD IN ALL KINDS OF WEATHER IN THE STEEP HILLS AROUND CINCINNATI. HE WAS A "BOHEMIAN" FROM THE FIRST DAYS THAT I REMEMBER HIM, WITH NOT MUCH LOVE FOR MONEY OR WHAT IT STANDS FOR.

I BECAME A CLASSIC GUITAR BUILDER OF INTERNATIONAL RENOWN. I GOT THE BUG WHEN BOB BUILT A VIOLIN AND USED TO PLAY IT QUITE FREQUENTLY. I WATCHED HOW HE BUILT IT, AND LEARNED ABOUT THE

SPECIAL GLUE, VARNISHES, TONE WOODS ETC.

BOB AND I WERE IN THE SAME ARMY CAMP (HOOD) TEXAS, FOR OUR TANK DESTROYER TRAINING IN 1943. HE WAS A LIEUTENANT, AND I WAS AN ENLISTED PRIVATE SOLDIER. HOWEVER WE USED TO GO INTO TOWN TOGETHER ON THE WEEKENDS AND TO MRS. MEADORS HOME IN MC GREGOR TEXAS, SHE LIKED BOB AND ME VERY MUCH, AND TREATED US LIKE SHE WAS OUR MOTHER. WE WERE BOTH IN THE TANK DESTROYERS AT THIS TIME, HOWEVER WE BOTH ENDED UP IN THE INFANTRY, AT LEAST THATS WHAT OUR HONORABLE DISCHARGES SAY.

BOB VOLUNTEERED TO JOIN THE U.S. ARMY WHEN CONSCRIPTION BEGAN IN 1940, AND HE TRAINED IN MISSISSIPI WITH BROOM STICKS BECAUSE THE ARMY HAD NO GUNS AT THE TIME. HE BECAME A RADIO OPERATOR IN A TANK DIVISION AND APPLIED FOR OFFICER CANDIDATE SCHOOL, COMPLETED THE TRAINING, AND GRADUATED A SECOND LIEUTENANT, AND WAS ASSIGNED INTO THE 132 TANK DESTROYER BATTALION IN SOUTH CAMP HOOD TEXAS. I WAS A PRIVATE AT THE TIME, IN THE 130TH TANK DESTROYER BATTALION.

AT THIS POINT WE WILL PICK UP WHERE ROSE ANN(CONRAD) TAYLOR, BOB'S DAUGHTER TELLS WHAT SHE AND I BOTH KNOW.

BOB WENT INTO THE EUROPEAN THEATRE DURING WORLD WAR 2 RIGHT AFTER "D" DAY. HE FOUGHT WITH THE TANK DESTROYERS UNTIL GEN. GEORGE PATTON HAD THE GERMAN TANKS ON THE RUN. BOB WAS TRANSFERRED INTO THE INFANTRY AND GIVEN A BATTLEFIELD COMISSION OF CAPTAIN AND HE BECAME THE COMPANY COMMANDER.

BOB'S COMPANY TUFFED IT OUT TO THE END OF THE WAR, AND BOB'S COMPANY WAS THE FIRST COMPANY TO RECAPTURE NURREMBURG, GERMANY AND BOB SENT HOME THE NAZI FLAG FROM THE TOP OF THE CITY HALL TO MY MOTHER. LATER I ASKED BOB HOW HE COULD SEND THIS FLAG HOME AND HE SAID THAT AS COMPANY COMMANDER, HE CENSORED ALL THE MAIL AND CLEARED ALL THE PACKAGES GOING OUT. HE ALSO SENT MY MOTHER A HUGE BOLT OF PARACHUTE SILK.

AFTER THE WAR BOB WANTED TO GO THROUGH COLLEGE UNDER THE G.I. BILL, BUT ALL THE LOCAL COLLEGES WERE FULL AND NOT TAKING NEW STUDENTS. BOB TOLD ME THAT AFTER SIX YEARS IN THE ARMY HIS LIFE WAS SLIPPING AWAY, AND IF HE WAS GOING TO HAVE A FAMILY, HE HAD TO GET STARTED RIGHT AWAY. BETTY TEMPLE AND I USED TO WALK HOME FROM HUGHES NIGHT HIGH SCHOOL WHERE I WAS ATTENDING TO FINISH OFF MY HIGH SCHOOL CREDITS TO GRADUATE AND GET MY DIPLOMA, WHICH I DID.

BOB NOTICED BETTY'S CLASSICAL NATURE AND FROM THERE ON YOU KNOW THE REST. ALSO BETTY WORKED AT PEASE WOODWORKING CO. DURING THE DAY AND ALSO MY SISTER LILLIAN, AND SHE WOULD BRING BETTY UP TO OUR HOME ON CLIFTON ON OCCASION.

BOB FOUND OUT THAT HE COULD GET INTO HENDERSON STATE TEACHERS COLLEGE IN ARKADELPHIA, ARKANSAS, SO HE QUICKLY MARRIED BETTY AND AWAY THEY WENT FOR ONE YEAR BEFORE RETURNING HOME TO GO TO XAVIER UNIVERSITY IN CINCINNATI.

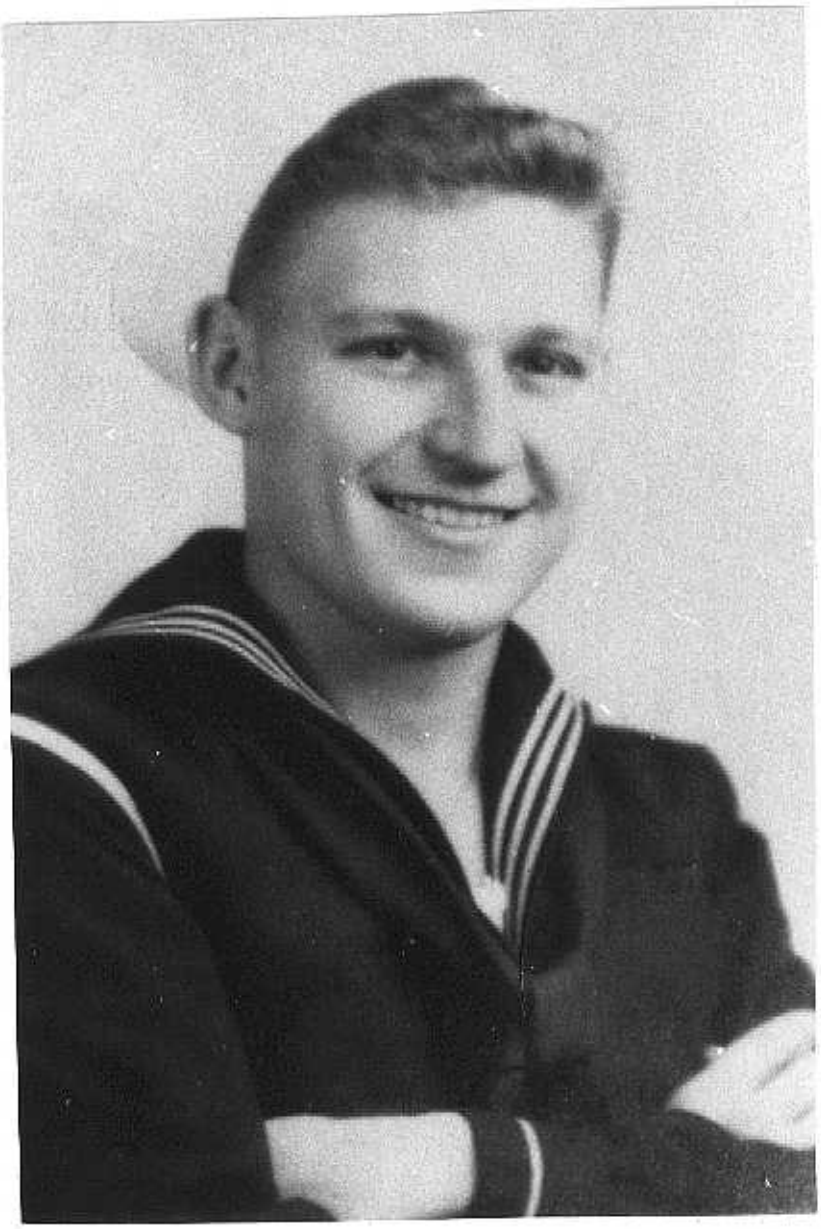
ROSE ANN WAS BORN WHILE THE CONRAD FAMILY WAS LIVING AT 3978

CLIFTON AVE.,AND SINCE THERE WERE NO APPARTMENTS AVAILABLE AFTER WORLD WAR TWO, MY MOTHER CONVERTED OUR DINING ROOM ON THE FIRST FLOOR INTO A BED ROOM FOR BETTY AND BOB. BETTY AND BOB BOUGHT A FARM IN ADAMS COUNTY OHIO, NEXT TO A GAME PRESERVE, THEN MOVED TO INDIANA ON ANOTHER FARM FOR ABOUT A YEAR, THEN THEY MOVED TO ILLINOIS, THEN MARYLAND WHERE BOB WORKED WITH THE SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION. HE WORKED FOR THEM UNTIL HE RETIRED IN THE MID 1970"S.

ROBERT AND ELIZABETH HAD EIGHT CHILDREN AND LIVED IN SEVERAL STATES INCLUDING ARKANSAS, OHIO, ILLINOIS, INDIANA, AND MARYLAND. ROBERT JR, ROSE ANN, RUTH ELLEN, CHRISTOPHER, MARY FRANCES, MICHELLE, FREDERICK, AND ANTHONY WERE ALL BORN TO THEM.

WHILE IN MARYLAND, ROBERT VOLUNTEERED AS AN ART THERAPIST AT THE SIKESVILLE STATE PHYCHIATRIC HOSPITAL FOR MANY YEARS. AFTER RETIREMENT, HE MOVED TO HORNELL, N.Y. AND DEVOTED HIS TIME TO AMATUER PAINTING, WRITING, AND GEOLOGY. HE WAS A MEMBER OF THE POETS THEATRE IN HORNELL, N.Y. FOR MANY YEARS UNTIL HIS DEATH FROM CANCER ON DECEMBER 24, 1994.

BOB WAS A DIFFERENT PERSON WHEN HE RETURNED FROM OVERSEAS AFTER WORLD WAR TWO. HE HAD SEEN AND BEEN THROUGH TOO MUCH TO SEE LIFE AS WE SEE IT. HE WAS A BRILLIANT MAN WITH A SUPERIOR I.Q. HE WAS A SOLDIER'S SOLDIER, AND LAID IT ALL ON THE LINE FOR HIS COUNTRY. I CAN ONLY RESPECTFULLY DESCRIBE HIM AS A TRULY GREAT AMERICAN.



JOHN F. X. CONRAD (1920-1985)

BY MARGARET (HENNARD) CONRAD

JOHN FRANCIS XAVIER CONRAD, BORN OCTOBER 26, 1920 TO HENRIETTA AND MATHIAS CONRAD AT 513 DAVIS STREET, LOCKLAND, O. HE ATTENDED ST. HENRY ROMAN CATHOLIC SCHOOL IN THE WEST END OF CINCINNATI.

AS A YOUNG BOY, JOHN BECAME INTERESTED IN MUSIC, TEACHING HIMSELF TO PLAY NUMEROUS MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS...THE TRUMPET BEING ONE OF HIS FAVORITES. AT AGE 18, HE FORMED A TWELVE PIECE SWING ORCHESTRA WHICH PLAYED AT MANY OF THE LOCAL DANCES. HIS LOVE OF MUSIC REMAINED WITH HIM THROUGHOUT HIS LIFE. HE STARTED WORKING AROUND AGE TWELVE, DELIVERING NEWSPAPERS. HIS NEXT JOB WAS WITH THE WESTERN UNION TELEGRAPH CO. DELIVERING TELEGRAMS ON HIS BICYCLE. JOHN WAS NINETEEN WHEN HE LEARNED INTERIOR DECORATING AND WORKED AS AN APPRENTICE UNTIL OCTOBER 1942, WHEN HE ENLISTED IN THE UNITED STATES NAVY DURING WORLD WAR TWO. JOHN WAS ON ACTIVE DUTY IN THE PACIFIC THEATRE DURING THE WAR YEARS AND SERVED IN NOUMEA , NEW CALIDONIA, FROM DEC. 1942 UNTIL SEPT. 1944. HE WAS STATIONED ON THE AIRCRAFT CARRIER, U.S.S. GILBERT ISLANDS DURING THE BATTLE OF THE PACIFIC. HE WAS HONORABLY DISCHARGED FROM THE UNITED STATES NAVY IN DEC. 1945. JOHN RESUMED WORKING AS AN INTERIOR DECORATOR AND LATER FORMED HIS OWN DECORATING BUSINESS. JOHN WAS A VERY INDEPENDENT PERSON WHO DID NOT LIKE TO WORK FOR ANYONE ELSE.

JOHN FIRST MET ME, MARGARET HENNARD, (BORN MARCH 21, 1923) AT A DANCE GIVEN BY THE SISTERS OF MERCY AT OUR LADY OF MERCY HIGH

SCHOOL, WHICH WAS LOCATED ON FREEMAN AVE AT LINCOLN PARK DRIVE, NEXT TO THE CINCINNATI UNION TERMINAL. WE DID NOT START SERIOUS DATING UNTIL A FEW YEARS LATER AND WE BECAME ENGAGED TO BE MARRIED IN 1944. WE WERE MARRIED IN ST LEO CHURCH ON FAIRMOUNT AVE. ON JULY 20TH, 1946. I WORKED AS A SECRETARY FOR THE CROSLEY AND AVCO CORPORATIONS FROM 1941 UNTIL 1951. WE HAD FOUR CHILDREN....MARK, BORN 8-24-51, FRED, 3-23-54, CONNIE, 12-10-56; AND DAN, 1-1-60. BOTH PARENTS WERE PLEASED THAT EACH OF THEIR CHILDREN ENJOYED MUSIC AND ALL PLAY MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS. JOHN, WAS A PERSON OF NUMEROUS TALENTS....HAND HIM A BOOK OF INSTRUCTIONS AND HE COULD BUILD OR REPAIR JUST ABOUT ANYTHING. HE DREW UP THE PLANS AND BUILT THE FAMILY HOMESTEAD AT 7881 ALTHAUS ROAD, IN TAYLORS CREEK, CINCINNATI; WHERE THE FAMILY LIVED FOR THIRTY NINE YEARS.

IN DECEMBER 1979, JOHN SUFFERED HIS FIRST HEART ATTACK AND FOR THE NEXT FIVE YEARS, HE WAS IN AND OUT OF HOSPITALS. JOHN EXPIRED AT THE VETERANS HOSPITAL IN CINCINNATI ON NOV. 5, 1985. HE DIED FROM HEART FAILURE DUE TO CARDIOMYOPATHY. HE WAS VERY INTERESTED IN ORGAN DONATION. AFTER HIS DEATH, THE SKIN FROM HIS LEGS WAS GIVEN TO THE SHRINER'S BURN INSTITUTE, AND THE CORNEAS FROM HIS EYES WERE ALSO DONATED. JOHN WAS A PERSON OF STRONG FAITH AND A DEEP LOVE OF GOD. HE SPENT MUCH OF HIS LAST FIVE YEARS OF HIS LIFE COMPOSING THE WORDS AND MUSIC TO MANY GOSPEL SONGS AND OPENLY SHARING HIS FAITH WITH OTHERS. AT JOHN'S FUNERAL EVIDENTLY GOD DID NOT LIKE TO SEE JOHN LEAVE THIS

WORLD, AND ON A CLEAR, CRISP, AUTUMN DAY IN NOVEMBER, AS THE PRIEST AND FAMILY WAS SAYING THE OUR FATHER...OUT OF A CLEAR BLUE SKY CAME FLASHES OF LIGHTENING AND THUNDER, AND WENT AWAY JUST AS FAST AS IT CAME. JOHN IS BURIED ON THE SIDE OF THE HILL IN THE CEMETARY NEXT TO ST. BERNARD'S ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH AT TAYLOR'S CREEK ON HARRISON PIKE.

CONNIE HAS FOUR CHILDREN: TWINS, JAY AND JESSE, BORN SEPT. 15, 1980....TYLER, BORN SEPT. 11, 1984.....ERIC, BORN JUNE 18,1987. MOLLY BETH, BORN MAY 28, 1993. CONNIE IS MARRIED TO JEFF EHRNSCHWENDER.

JOHN DEAR, I LOVE YOU WITH AN EVERLASTING LOVE. I THANK YOU FOR BEING MY HUSBAND, AND THE FATHER OF OUR CHILDREN.

IN MEMORY OF OUR 50TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY
JULY 20, 1996

MARGARET

WILLIAM E. CONRAD (1923)

WILLIAM E. CONRAD, THE SEVENTH CHILD OF MATHIAS C. AND HENRIETTA (HOULSCOTT) CONRAD WAS BORN IN LOCKLAND,O. AT #513 DAVIS ST. NEAR THE STERNS AND FOSTER MATRESS CO. I SPENT MY CHILDHOOD IN THE WEST END OF CINCINNATI, AT #1155, #1211, AND #1212 POPLAR STREET, JUST AN ALLEY AWAY FROM OLD CROSLEY FIELD HOME OF THE CINCINNATI REDS BASE BALL TEAM. I ATTENDED SAINT HENRY ROMAN CATHOLIC SCHOOL AT #1058 FLINT STREET IN THE WEST END THE ENTIRE 8 YEARS OF MY ELEMENTARY EDUCATION, UNDER THE STRICT DIRECTION OF THE SISTERS OF NOTRE DAME DE NAMUER.

I ATTENDED AUTOMOTIVE TRADE SCHOOL WITH THE HOPES OF BEING AN AIRCRAFT ENGINE MECHANIC, HOWEVER I WAS FORCED TO DROP OUT TO HELP GET THE FAMILY THROUGH THE GREAT DEPRESSION, AND FATHER PAUL THROUGH THE SEMINARY. I AS MY OTHER BROTHERS HAD TO RELY UPON WHAT BROTHER JOSEPH TAUGHT US ABOUT STREET SMARTS AND HOW TO WORK WITH OUR HANDS, AND HOW TO USE NUMEROUS TOOLS. THE CONRADS HAVE BUILT IN THEIR GENES A COMMON WORK ETHIC THAT COMPELS THEM TO PRODUCE, NO MATTER WHAT THEY ARE DOING. ONE OF THE FIRST THINGS THAT I REMEMBER BROTHER JOE TEACHING ME IS THIS: THERE ARE A BUNCH OF GENIUS'S RUNNING AROUND IN THIS FAMILY, BUT DON'T EXPECT ANYBODY TO NOTICE IT, AS THERE IS NOT ONE PERSON IN A HUNDRED THOUSAND THAT IS ABLE TO RECOGNIZE ONE WHEN THEY SEE ONE.

BY THE TIME I WAS 16 YEARS OLD I WAS REBUILDING AUTOMOBILE ENGINES AND I REMEMBER TEARING THE ENGINE OUT OF TERESA'S HUSBAND, BOB KYDES PLYMOUTH AND REBUILDING THE WHOLE THING OVER THE WEEKEND. I SIMPLY THOUGHT THAT ANYBODY COULD DO THAT.

I STARTED MY WORKING DAYS JUST AS MY OTHER BROTHERS DID AS A WESTERN UNION MESSENGER. I WORKED OUT OF THE NEW UNION TERMINAL DELIVERING TELEGRAMS ON TRAINS AND ON A BICYCLE TO INDUSTRIAL PLANTS LOCATED IN THE WEST END OF CINCINNATI. I ATTENDED OLD WOODWARD HIGH SCHOOL AT NIGHT WORKING ON MY HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA, UNTIL I WAS DRAFTED INTO THE U.S. ARMY DURING WORLD WAR TWO, AT THE AGE OF 19 IN 1942. I COMPLETED HIGH SCHOOL AT HUGHES NIGHT SCHOOL AFTER THE WAR IN 1947.

WHILE AT ST. HENRY'S SCHOOL, I SOLD CATHOLIC TELEGRAPH PAPERS IN THE REAR OF THE CHURCH ON SUNDAY AFTER ALL THE MASSES AND EARNED ENOUGH TO BUY A NEWSPAPER ROUTE FROM LEONARD SCHOENING THAT HAD 128 DAILY CUSTOMERS, 6 DAYS PER WEEK. AT THAT TIME THE PAPERS SOLD FOR 3 CENTS EACH AND I BOUGHT THEM FROM THE SUPPLY BOSS FOR 2 CENTS AT LIBERTY AND FREEMAN AVE. THEORETICALLY, I COULD HAVE MADE ABOUT 7.50 PER WEEK, HOWEVER I SOON FOUND OUT THAT I WAS MAKING ABOUT A DOLLAR A WEEK AS PEOPLE KEPT PUTTING OFF PAYING ME. SO I CUT THE CUSTOMERS DOWN TO ABOUT 80 AND MADE ABOUT 5.00 PER WEEK PROFIT. I PURCHASED A BASS VIOLIN AT A LOAN SHOP ON CENTRAL AVE., AND MY BROTHER JOHN, WHO COULD PLAY ALL KINDS OF INSTRUMENTS BY THEN, TAUGHT ME TO READ BASS MUSIC AND PLAY IN HIS SWING ORCHESTRA. INTERESTINGLY, I EARNED ENOUGH

MONEY LATER ON TO COMPLETELY PAY FOR A NEW HOME WE PURCHASED IN 1953. I PLAYED BASS IN THE CECIL YOUNG ORCHESTRA FOR 13 YEARS AT NIGHT. WE PLAYED AT THAT TIME MOSTLY AT THE COUNTRY CLUBS FOR DEBUTANTE PARTIES WITH FOURTEEN PIECES.

ONE THING THAT I LEARNED FROM THE PAPER ROUTE WAS THE PEOPLE WHO PAID THEIR PAPER BILLS WERE CITY OR GOVERNMENT EMPLOYES WHO WORKED IN THE NEW POST OFFICE ANNEX AT LIBERTY ST. AND DALTON AVE. RIGHT THEN I DECIDED THAT I WAS GOING TO WORK FOR CIVIL SERVICE AND HAVE A MONTHLY PAYCHECK LIKE THE PAYING CUSTOMERS. SO AS SOON AS I WAS 18 YEARS OLD, I TOOK MY FIRST CIVIL SERVICE TEST AND STARTED MY CAREER WITH THE CITY OF CINCINNATI AS A JUNIOR ENGINEERING AIDE. I WAS HIRED UNDER W.P.A. FOR 960.00 PER YEAR. I TEMPORARILY LEFT THE POSITION TO GO INTO THE UNITED STATES ARMY IN 1942, DURING WORLD WAR TWO, I SERVED THREE YEARS AND WAS HONORABLY DISCHARGED WITH THE RANK OF TECHNICAL SERGEANT FROM THE HEADQUARTERS OF THE 4TH ARMY AT FORT SAM HOUSTON, TEXAS 1946. I WAS IN THE INTELLIGENCE SECTION AND DREW PERSONAL MAPS FOR MAJOR GENERAL LUCAS, WHO WAS THE COMMANDANT. AFTER THE WAR I RETURNED TO MY WAITING CIVIL SERVICE JOB WITH THE CITY, AND HELD NUMEROUS POSITIONS DURING MY 42 YEAR STAY WITH THE CITY. I WAS SENIOR DRAFTSMAN WITH THE CITY ENGINEER...SUPERVISOR OF PERMITS. DESIGNED WATER MAINS FOR THE WATER WORKS...RAN THE CITY COMPLAINT DEPT....LANDSCAPED THE INTERSTATE HIGHWAYS THROUGH CINCINNATI...I BECAME ROADSIDE DEVELOPMENT ENGINEER....WAS CHIEF HIGHWAY INSPECTOR FOR THE HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE DIVISION...AND AFTER MY 42 YEARS WITH THE CITY I RETIRED HOLDING THE POSITION

OF ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDANT OF THE HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE DIVISION.

IN 1951 I MARRIED DOROTHY HABIG. I MET HER AT THE BLIND MAN'S CONFECTIONERY STAND AT CITY HALL DURING OUR WORK BREAKS. SHE WORKED FOR THE HEALTH EDUCATOR AS A SECRETARY. WE HAVE SIX CHILDREN FROM OUR MARRIAGE, WHICH TOOK PLACE AT OUR LADY OF LOURDES ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH IN WESTWOOD. FATHER PAUL CONRAD HAD THE MASS AND OFFICIATED.

DURING THE YEARS AFTER I QUIT THE CECIL YOUNG ORCHESTRA, I STARTED MAKING CLASSICAL GUITARS OUT OF FINE TONE WOODS, AS A SIDELINE, AND BECAME WELL KNOWN ACROSS THE COUNTRY AS A MASTER CRAFTSMAN. I WAS A MEMBER OF THE GUILD OF AMERICAN LUTHIERS. I ALSO BUILT BANJOS, BASS GUITARS, AND BARITONE UKULELES. ALSO I REPAIRED NUMEROUS STRING INSTRUMENTS AND REBUILT MANY.

I STUDIED MUSIC THEORY FROM THE GREAT GUITARIST JOS'E MADRIGAL FOR ABOUT TEN YEARS, AND HE WAS ONE OF MY STUDENTS WHEN I TAUGHT MUSICAL INSTRUMENT BUILDING AT NORTHERN KENTUCKY UNIVERSITY FOR ABOUT 5 YEARS. I TAUGHT STRING INSTRUMENTS AT MC AULEY HIGH SCHOOL IN CINCINNATI, FOR 3 YEARS.

I AM RETIRED NOW AND DOING ONE OF MY FAVORITE ENDEAVORS, AND THAT IS OPERATING A PORTFOLIO OF STOCKS, BONDS, AND MUTUAL FUNDS IN THE FINANCIAL MARKETS.

MY GREATEST ACHIEVEMENT WHILE WORKING FOR THE CITY OF CINCINNATI WAS RESTORING THE FORT WASHINGTON MONUMENT. IT WAS DISMANTLED MANY YEARS AGO, CRATED UP AND STORED UNDER CENTRAL PARKWAY IN

HUGE CRATES ALONG WITH 4 CIVIL WAR CANNONS. VANDALS SET THE CRATES ON FIRE AND DESTROYED THE IDENTITY OF THE PIECES. CITY MANAGER GAVE ME PERMISSION TO RESTORE THE MONUMENT IN IT'S PRESENT FORM AND WITH THE HELP FROM VARIOUS CIVIC CLUBS WHO FINANCED THE RECONSTRUCTION, I DESIGNED AND OVERSAW THE RESTORATION IN IT'S PRESENT FORM. THE PARK BOARD TOOK OVER THE MAINTENANCE OF THE LANDSCAPE. IT IS THE SYMBOL OF THE OPENING OF THE NORTHWEST TERRITORY. IT IS ON THIRD STREET BETWEEN SYCAMORE ST. AND BROADWAY. I HOPE THAT OUR GRANDCHILDREN WILL STOP BY THERE IN THE FUTURE TO APPRECIATE IT, AND REMEMBER THEIR CIVIC MINDED GRANDFATHER WHO BUILT IT. THE FOUR CANNONS ARE PLACED MUZZLE DOWN TO SIGNIFY PEACE, WHICH I HOPE FOR ALL WHO READ THIS CONRAD GENEOLOGY.

CHILDREN AND GRANDCHILDREN:

CYNTHIA A.(CONRAD)MORRISON (11/1/1952) RICHARD (5/4/1950)
JEFFREY W. CONRAD (5/22/1954) GAYLE (ZELLNER) (1/14/1956)
MELISSA(4/24/86) JESSICA(7/8/87) REBECCA(9/8/89) AMANDA(3/24/93)

PHILIP A. CONRAD (9/10/1955) PAM (BORGEMENKE) 8/17/1959
SCOTT A. CONRAD (10/17/1980)

JENNIFER L.(CONRAD) SHAW (10/4/57) LEONARD (6/7/1955)
KEVIN (1/12/1988) BRIAN (3/21/1990) ANDREW (4/1/1992)

MARY A. (CONRAD) CASTAGNA (6/28/1960) JOSEPH (8/26/1961)
CATHERINE (2/14/1996)

PAUL J. CONRAD (2/16/1963) (TRICIA SAMAD) (6/27/1964)
DANIELLE (7/16/1989) ERIC (7/25/1991) MICHAEL W. (2/7/1994)

ROSE MARY AGNES CONRAD (12/23/1925)

BY SISTER MARY ROSETTA 8/11/1996

IT SEEMS THAT THIS PHOTO WAS TAKEN AROUND 1959 WHEN I WAS 33 YEARS OLD. I ENTERED THE CONVENT AUGUST 22, 1959 AT 33 YEARS OF AGE. I HAVE A TWIN SISTER NAMED LILLY. WE WERE BORN DEC. 23, 1925 (MOM WAS EXPECTING US ON 1/26/1926 - WE CAME EARLY) AND BAPTIZED ON JANUARY 3,1926. MY BAPTISMAL NAME IS ROSE MARY AND LILLY'S IS ELIZABETH MARGARET AS SHE NEEDED A SAINTS NAME FOR BAPTISM. DURING GRADE SCHOOL THE TEACHERS CALLED HER LILLIAN BUT THOSE WHOM WE PLAYED WITH CALLED HER LILLY AS WELL DID OUR FAMILY. I AM 15 MINUTES OLDER THAN LILLY. WE BOTH ATTENDED COMMERCIAL VOCATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL IN WALNUT HILLS, WE TOOK 4 YEARS IN 2 AND GRADUATED IN 1942. I STARTED RIGHT AFTER GRADUATION WORKING AT MERCHANTS COLD STORAGE CO LOCATED ON FREEMAN AVE. NEAR SIXTH ST. IN THE WEST END OF CINCINNATI. I DID TYPING AND CLERICAL WORK UNTIL 1949. MY MOTHER, HENRIETTA O' TIL IA PHILOMENA (AS SHE ALWAYS CALLED HERSELF IN FUN) DIED JUNE 24, 1948, AT AGE OF 57, AFTER SUFFERING A STROKE. WE WERE LIVING AT # 3978 CLIFTON AVE. IN CLIFTON AT THE TIME . MOM DIED AT HOME AFTER ABOUT A WEEK IN GOOD SAMARITAN HOSPITAL. I WENT TO WORK FOR CINCINNATI COTTON PRODUCTS CO. I WORKED THERE FOR MR.GOLDFARB FROM 1949 TO 1952. I QUIT WORK THERE TO STAY HOME WITH DAD WHO WAS RETIRED AND HELP AROUND THE BIG OLD HOUSE THAT WE OWNED IN CLIFTON. IN 1953 WE SOLD THE BIG HOUSE IN CLIFTON AND MOVED TO EDGEMONT AT #7501 ROSS AVE. AS THE BIG HOUSE WAS TOO BIG FOR JUST MY DAD, MARGIE, AND I. BUTCHIE, (FRANCIS) WAS

STUDYING AT. ST. FRANCIS SEMINARY TO BECOME A PRIEST, IN MOUNT HEALTHY O. AT THE TIME. SHORTLY AFTER WE MOVED TO EDGEMONT, I STARTED WORKING FOR GENERAL ELECTRIC CO. AT THE JET ENGINE PLANT IN EVENDALE, OHIO. I WAS WORKING THERE WHEN MY FATHER SUFFERED A STROKE AT HOME AROUND NOVEMBER OF 1954, WHILE MARGIE AND I WERE AT WORK. DAD WAS PARALYZED ON ONE SIDE. WITH THE HELP OF FATHER PAUL WE COULD GET HIM INTO A WHEELCHAIR IN THE BEGINNING BUT HE WAS EVENTUALLY CONFINED TO BED AND HIS MIND WAS NOT TOO CLEAR. HE REQUIRED CONSTANT CARE SO MARGIE QUIT HER JOB AT GENERAL ELECTRIC CO. TO STAY HOME WHILE I CONTINUED TO WORK THERE. AFTER A YEAR OR SO THE STRAIN BEGAN TO SHOW ON MARGIE. I WANTED TO QUIT MY JOB AND LET HER GO BACK TO WORK BUT SHE SAID THAT I WOULD BE IN THE SAME BOAT AS SHE WAS IN. MRS. ETHEL SCHEINER, OUR NEIGHBOR NEXT DOOR, OFFERED TO FEED AND CHANGE DAD DURING THE DAY UNTIL WE GOT HOME FROM WORK. IN 1955, I GOT MARGIE A JOB AT GENERAL ELECTRIC CO. WITH ME AS SWITCHBOARD OPERATOR, AND IT WAS A PERFECT SET UP. SHE DROVE US BACK AND FORTH (WE HAD THE SAME HOURS, THANK YOU JESUS). DAD DIED JANUARY 15,1957 AT THE AGE OF 72 WHILE IN ST. MARY HOSPITAL LOCATED ON BETTS STREET IN THE WEST END OF CINCINNATI. HE DIED OF PNEUMONIA. I ENTERED THE CONVENT OF THE SISTERS OF NOTRE DAME IN COVINGTON KENTUCKY ON 8/22/1959; WAS INVESTED 8/15/1960; I MADE MY FIRST PROFESSION 8/14/1962; MADE FINAL VOWS 8/6/1967. ON 8/8/1987 I CELEBRATED MY SILVER JUBILEE (25 YEARS PROFESSED) THIS SAME YEAR FATHER SIMON CONRAD CELEBRATED 25 YEARS AS A FRANCISCIAN PRIEST WITH THE FRANCISCAN MISSIONS IN THE WESTERN UNITED STATES.

LILLIAN (CONRAD) KURTZ 12/23/1925

BY LILLIAN MARGARET MARY (CONRAD) KURTZ - 1996

I "LILLY" ALONG WITH MY TWIN SISTER ROSE, WAS BORN IN CINCINNATI WHEN THE FAMILY LIVED AT #722 MELVIN STREET IN THE WEST END, DURING A SNOW STORM, ON DECEMBER 23, 1925. WE ARRIVED A LITTLE PAST FOUR O'CLOCK IN THE MORNING, WITHIN 15 MINUTES OF EACH OTHER. WE WERE DUE ON JANUARY 16TH, 1926, BUT CAME EARLY AND UNEXPECTEDLY.

THERE WAS NO DOCTOR IN ATTENDANCE UNTIL OUR BROTHER JOE WENT UP TO DOCTORS ROW ON WEST EIGHT ST TO FETCH ONE. IN THE MEANTIME, MOM SENT ANOTHER BROTHER OUT TO GET THE LADY NEXT DOOR, MRS. KNAPP TO COME HELP HER WITH THE DELIVERY UNTIL THE DOCTOR ARRIVED. MRS. KNAPP HAD NO EXPERIENCE IN BIRTHING BABIES, AND BECAME A NERVOUS WRECK. WHEN I CAME FORTH, SHE PICKED ME UP AND MISTAKENLY TOOK THE UMBILICAL CORD FOR SOMETHING ELSE, AND TOLD MOM "THIS ONE IS A BOY".

OUR MOTHER "ETTA" AS SHE WAS CALLED, BEING IN A SOMEWHAT DAZED CONDITION, ACCEPTED HER REMARK AND REPLIED,"HIS NAME IS LAWRENCE". BUT THEN, WHEN MOM HAD BEARINGS ABOUT HER, SHE GAZED DOWN AT HER TWO BABIES TO LOOK THEM OVER, AND FOUND THAT BOTH WERE GIRLS. ONE LOOKED ROSY, WITH DARK HAIR, THE OTHER ONE LOOKED PALE, AND THE LITTLE HAIR SHE HAD ON HER HEAD WAS LIGHT. AS SHE STUDIED THE BABIES LYING THERE, THEY REMINDED HER OF TWO FLOWERS--'THE ROSE AND THE LILLY",AND THAT'S HOW WE GOT OUR NAMES. ONE WAS BORN WITH A PRENATAL CAUL OVER ITS HEAD. MOM

SAID "WHEN A BABY IS BORN WITH A CAUL OVER IT"S HEAD IT MEANS THAT THE BABY COULD HAVE A MISSION IN LIFE" I BELIEVE MOM SAID THAT IS WAS ROSE.

WHEN IT CAME TIME FOR BAPTISM, ROSE WAS BAPTIZED "ROSE MARY" AND I WAS SUPPOSED TO BE BAPTIZED "LILLIAN MARGARET", BUT THEY FOUND OUT THAT NEITHER LILLIAN OR LILLY WAS A SAINTS NAME, SO, THEY TRIED TO FIND A DERIVATION OF THE NAME, AND CAME UP WITH "ELIZABETH"-- SO I WAS BAPTIZED "ELIZABETH MARGARET". IN CONFIRMATION I CHOSE THE PATRON NAME OF "MARY" AFTER THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY, AND ASKED HER TO BE WITH ME THROUGHOUT MY JOURNEY THROUGH LIFE.

ALTHOUGH ROSE AND I WERE CLOSE IN MIND AND SPIRIT, WE WERE DIFFERENT IN OTHER WAYS. ROSE WAS A MODEL DAUGHTER, SHE WAS NEAT AND ORDERLY, ROSE COULD SING AND DANCE AND TELL JOKES, AND WAS ALWAYS WANTING TO HELP AROUND THE HOUSE, BUT IT WASN'T IN ME TO DO ANY OF THESE THINGS. I WAS THE LAZY ONE-- ALWAYS SITTING AROUND DRAWING PICTURES, OR PLAYING OUTSIDE WITH THE BOYS, AND WAS CONSIDERED A "TOMBOY". I NEVER WANTED TO GROW UP, AND WHEN I FINALLY DID HAVE TO, I WASN'T LIKE MOST KIDS MY AGE. "SPIN THE BOTTLE" AND SUCH GAMES WERE NOT TO MY LIKING....MOST PEOPLE THOUGHT THAT I WAS KIND OF "DIFFERENT"- BUT THAT WASN'T IT EITHER, MY THOUGHTS WERE USUALLY TURNED TO GOD, AND WISHED NEVER TO OFFEND HIM IN ANY WAY. HE WAS THE "ONE" I LOVED, AND IT WAS HIM WHOM I WISHED TO PLEASE. MAYBE BECAUSE OF HIS GREAT CREATIVITY WHICH I ADMIRED SO MUCH, AND THE BEAUTY HE CREATED

WAS ALL AROUND TO SEE.

FOR A TIME I WANTED TO BECOME A NUN, UNTIL SISTER MADELINE JULIE, ONE OF MY GRADE SCHOOL TEACHERS AT SAINT HENRY'S TOLD ME THE FIRST THING THAT ONE MUST LEARN IS "OBEDIENCE". I CHANGED MY MIND AFTER THAT, AND WENT BACK TO THE DRAWING BOARD. HA!.

FROM GRADE SCHOOL, ROSE AND I WENT TO COMMERCIAL VOCATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO TAKE A BUSINESS COURSE TO PREPARE US FOR OFFICE WORK. WE TOOK 4 YEARS IN 2, ATTENDING CLASSES FROM SEPTEMBER TO AUGUST, BOTH YEARS. AFTER GRADUATING WE WERE TOO YOUNG TO TO LEAVE SCHOOL, SO WE HAD TO GO BACK TO SCHOOL AND TAKE A POST-GRADUATE COURSE IN BUSINESS ORGANIZATION AND LAW. FROM THERE ROSE WENT MERCHANTS COLD STORAGE CO. FOR EMPLOYMENT, AND I WAS SENT TO PEASE WOODWORKING CO.,IN NORTHSIDE. FIRST AS A FILE CLERK WITH OTHER OFFICE DUTIES FOR A SHORT TIME. THEN I WOUND UP AS A COMPANY SWITCHBOARD AND TELETYPE OPERATOR FOR ABOUT FIVE YEARS, AND ENJOYED IT VERY MUCH.

IT WAS THERE THAT I MET MY FUTURE HUSBAND JOE KURTZ. AT THE AGE OF 21, WE WERE MARRIED AT ST. PATRICK'S ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH IN NORTHSIDE. OUR MARRIAGE TOOK PLACE ON SATURDAY JULY 26TH, 1947. OUR MARRIAGE PRODUCED SIX BEAUTIFUL CHILDREN. SIX LIVED, BUT ONE IN THE 5TH MONTH OF PREGNANCY WAS MISCARRIED ON JANUARY 25, 1953, AND I THINK OF THE BABY YET.

OUR CHILDREN'S NAMES ARE MARIANNE, MICHAEL, JOHN, MARGIE, BOBBY,

AND GINNY MARIE KURTZ. ALL ARE GROWN AND HAVE TURNED OUT REAL WELL. EACH HAS THEIR OWN INDIVIDUAL PERSONALITY, AND I LOVE THEM IN DIFFERENT WAYS, AND FOR DIFFERENT REASONS. WE ARE A VERY CLOSE KNIT FAMILY. SOME HAVE CHILDREN, SOME DO NOT. AS OF TODAY I HAVE 6 BLOOD RELATED GRANDCHILDREN, AND 6 THROUGH MARRIAGES. SO FAR I HAVE 2 GREAT-GRAND CHILDREN, WITH NONE TO CARRY ON THE KURTZ NAME. PERHAPS THIS WAS MEANT TO BE, I DON'T QUESTION IT.

I AM CURRENTLY WORKING ON THE GENEALOGY OF JESUS AND HIS MOTHER MARY. I ALSO HAVE BEEN GIVEN TO WORK ON OUR PRESENT DAY CALENDAR TO SET THE RECORD STRAIGHT.

WITH ALL DUE RESPECT, I WISH TO PRESENT TO THE CONRAD FAMILY FIRST, THE CORRECT CALENDAR AS IT WAS GIVEN TO ME RECENTLY, SO HISTORIANS AND SCHOLARS WILL KNOW THE TRUTH, WHEN THEY TRY TO EXPLAIN THE CONFUSING PERIOD BETWEEN 'B.C.' BEFORE CHRIST AND ANNO DOMINI, "IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD'.

TO THOSE IN THE FAMILY THAT ARE INTERESTED , I ASK THEM TO CONTACT ME AND I WILL GO OVER WITH THEM WHAT I HAVE CONCERNING THIS GENEALOGY.

MARGARET (CONRAD) FLAUGHER (1929)

I AM MARGARET (CONRAD) FLAUGHER. BORN MARCH 15, 1929, AT HOME WHEN THE FAMILY LIVED IN NEWPORT KENTUCKY, AT 308 W. 10TH ST. OUR FAMILY HAD TO MOVE BACK TO CINCINNATI, IN ORDER THAT MY BROTHER PAUL COULD ENTER ST. GREGORY SEMINARY, AS KENTUCKY IS NOT IN THE ARCHDIOCES OF CINCINNATI. I GREW UP AT 1211 POPLAR ST. IN THE WEST END OF CINCINNATI, AND STARTED MY ELEMENTARY TRAINING AT ST HENRY'S ROMAN CATHOLIC SCHOOL. I BEGAN THERE IN 1935 AND COMPLETED MY GRADE SCHOOL IN 1943. DURING THIS TIME I LIVED AT 1211 POPLAR ST...1212 POPLAR ST....AND 1155 POPLAR ST.

DURING THE 1937 GREAT OHIO RIVER FLOOD, ST HENRY'S SCHOOL WAS FLOODED UP TO THE SECOND FLOOR CLASS ROOMS, DUE TO BACKWATER FROM THE MILL CREEK. WE COMPLETELY LOST THE SECOND ONE HALF YEAR FROM THE END OF JANUARY TO THE THE MIDDLE OF MAY BECAUSE THE SCHOOL ROOMS DID NOT DRY OUT FROM THE FLOOD WATERS. IT WAS A MESS. ON OUR REPORT CARDS, SOME SISTERS JUST DREW RIPPLED WAVES WHERE OUR GRADES SHOULD HAVE BEEN AND SIMPLY WROTE THE WORD "FLOOD. WE DID NOT HAVE TO TAKE THE YEAR OVER AS THEY EXCELLERATED THE STUDIES THE FOLLOWING YEAR.

IN 1943, DURING WORLD WAR TWO, I STARTED AT HUGHES HIGH SCHOOL IN CLIFTON. I ATTENDED THERE FOUR YEARS, AND GRADUATED AFTER THE WAR IN 1947. STAR SINGER ROSEMARY CLOONEY ATTENDED HUGHES HIGH SCHOOL WHILE I WAS THERE.

I WORKED AS SECRETARY/SWITCHBOARD RECEPTIONIST AT VARIOUS PLACES IN CINCINNATI...DR. SCHOLL SHOE CO...SCHOENLING BREWERY... CINCINNATI GARDENS...AND IN TELECOMMUNICATIONS AT GENERAL ELECTRIC AIRCRAFT ENGINES IN EVENDALE, OHIO, AND AS SECRETARY TO THE CHIEF OF SECURITY PATROL. WHILE WORKING IN THIS POSITION, I MET JACQUE H. FLAUGHER, A SECURITY SPECIALIST, WHOM I LATER MARRIED.

WHEN MY FATHER BECAME BED RIDDEN FROM A STROKE THAT HE SUFFERED, I TOOK CARE OF HIM ALONG WITH MY SISTER ROSEMARY, UNTIL HE FINALLY DIED IN 1957, AFTER HIS LONG ILLNESS.

JACK AND I WERE MARRIED AT FATHER PAUL'S CHURCH (ST PATRICK) IN BELLEFONTAINE, OHIO. FATHER PAUL CONRAD OFFICIATED AND SAID THE MASS. THIS WAS ON SEPT. 5TH 1964.

WE HAVE TWO CHILDREN FROM OUR MARRIAGE: TIMOTHY JACQUE FLAUGHER BORN DEC 31, 1966. HE MARRIED KATIE MEEHAN JULY 28, 1990. THEY HAVE TWO CHILDREN FROM THEIR MARRIAGE. BOTH ARE BOYS, COREY AND KYLE.

TIM IS A GREEN BARET WITH THE U.S.ARMY SPECIAL FORCES. HE IS A MEDIC, AND AT PRESENT HE IS STATIONED AT FORT SAM HOUSTON, TEX., AFTER RETURNING FROM ACTIVE DUTY IN HAITI. DURING WORLD WAR TWO, MY BROTHER BILL WAS STATIONED AT FT. SAM HOUSTON FOR SOME TIME.

MELISSA IS A GRADUATE OF OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY...B.S.,MAJORING IN ART HISTORY, SHE ATTENDED I YEAR MASTER OF ARCHITECTURE AND WORKS FOR AN ARCHITECT. MOST OF OUR MARRIED LIFE WAS SPENT IN CINCINNATI, BUT WE HAVE NOW RETIRED TO FT. MYERS, FLORIDA.

MARY ELLEN (CONRAD) KREMS (1931)

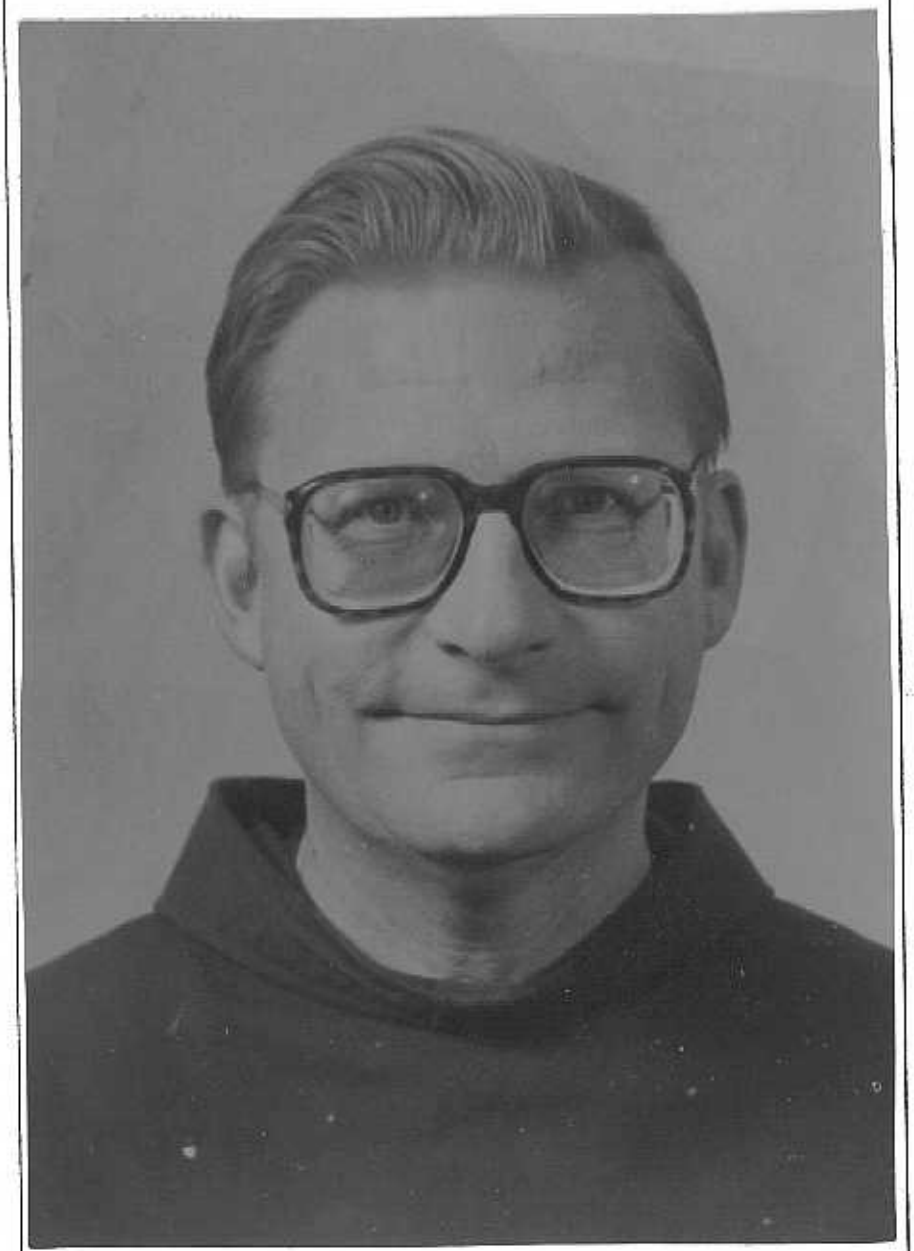
I WAS BORN ON SEPTEMBER 23, 1931 AT GOOD SAMARITAN HOSPITAL IN CINCINNATI, OHIO. THIS PHOTO WAS TAKEN IN 1962 WHEN I WAS 32 YEARS OLD. I ATTENDED ST. HENRY ROMAN CATHOLIC SCHOOL AT 1058 FLINT STREET IN THE WEST END OF CINCINNATI UNTIL THE SEVENTH GRADE WHEN THE FAMILY MOVED INTO A HOME THAT WE PURCHASED AT #3978 CLIFTON AVE, IN CLIFTON. THERE I FINISHED 8TH GRADE AT ANNUNCIATION ROMAN CATHOLIC SCHOOL AND ATTENDED HUGHES HIGH SCHOOL. I MARRIED LOUIS (LOU) KREMS IN 1952 AND WE HAD SEVEN CHILDREN, ALL BORN ALSO AT GOOD SAMARITAN HOSPITAL IN CINCINNATI. THEY INCLUDE SHARON (7/22/53); PATRICIA (5/2/55); KATHLEEN (2/26/58); TWINS MARY BETH AND MARY ROSE, BORN AND DIED (5/30/60); KEVIN (11/27/62); AND MARY JO (11/24/64). WE MOVED FROM CINCINNATI TO WALNUT CREEK, CALIFORNIA IN 1970 WHEN LOU, WHO WORKED AS BUSINESS MANAGER FOR THE NATIONAL LEAGUE BASEBALL CLUBS, WAS TRANSFERRED TO SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA. WE MOVED TO HUNTINGTON, NEW YORK, IN 1977 WHEN THE NATIONAL LEAGUE OFFICE WENT TO NEW YORK CITY. SHARON MARRIED PAUL CALHOUN, PATRICIA MARRIED WAYNE WALCOFF AND THEY REMAINED IN CALIFORNIA. SHARON AND PAUL HAVE TWO CHILDREN, PAULA AND KEVIN. KATHLEEN RESIDES IN BROOKLYN, N.Y. AND KEVIN IN WHITESTONE, N.Y. MARY JO MARRIED CRAIG ZIMMERMAN. THEY HAVE A SON, JASON AND THEY RESIDE IN PORT JEFFERSON, N.Y.

I BEGAN WORKING AT HUNTINGTON, N.Y. PUBLIC LIBRARY IN 1981 AND

MUST HAVE A BIT OF OUR GRANDFATHER, CHRISTIAN H. CONRAD IN MY GENES, BECAUSE I UNKNOWINGLY FOLLOWED HIS FOOTSTEPS BY BECOMING PRESIDENT OF THE HUNTINGTON LIBRARY UNIT OF THE CIVIL SERVICE EMPLOYEES ASSOCIATION IN 1993. IT IS INTERESTING TO NOTE THAT MY BROTHER BILL'S FIRST SON JEFFREY W. CONRAD BECAME A LAWYER, AND WAS PRESIDENT OF THE COCA COLA DRIVERS UNION IN CINCINNATI FOR MANY YEARS. SOME PEOPLE HAVE JOKINGLY TAGGED ME 'NORMA RAE WITH WINGS". I AM ALSO DEEPLY INVOLVED IN ST. PARTICK'S CHURCH AS PRAYER GROUP LEADER, EUCHARISTIC MINISTER, AND ASSIST THE CATHOLIC CHAPLAIN AT HUNTINGTON HOSPITAL IN DISTRIBUTING HOLY COMMUNION AND VISITING THE SICK SINCE 1982.

EDITORS NOTE;

MARY ELLEN LIKE OUR BROTHER BOB, IS A VERY BRILLIANT PERSON. I REMEMBER DURING HER HIGH SCHOOL YEARS THAT SHE MASTERED THE ART OF BUSINESS SECRETARY. MARY WAS ALWAYS ONE OF MY FAVORITE SISTERS AND WE ALWAYS HIT IT OFF WELL WHEN SHE WAS YOUNG. SHE WAS BRIDESMAID AT OUR WEDDING IN 1951. MARY JO, LOU AND MARY ELLEN'S DAUGHTER HAS AGREED TO CONTINUE THE CONRAD GENEOLOGY FROM WHERE I LEAVE OFF AT THE END OF SECTION 8. SECTIONS 1 THRU 8 COVERS THE FAMILY FROM 1725 TO 1996. I HOPE TO HELP MARY JO ALL I CAN WITH INFORMATION, PHOTOS AND ANYTHING ELSE THAT I HAVE CONCERNING THE FAMILY. I AM SURE THAT SHE WILL BE PROUD OF HER ACCOMPLISHMENTS CONCERNING THIS GREAT FAMILY.



FRANCIS CONRAD (1935)

BIOGRAPHY OF FRANCIS CONRAD WRITTEN AUGUST 8 1996

I AM WRITING THIS ON AUGUST 8TH, 1996 AT THE REQUEST OF WILLIAM CONRAD, MY BROTHER, WHO IS PUTTING TOGETHER A BIOGRAPHY OF ALL FAMILY MEMBERS FOR POSTERITY. THIS IS SORT OF AN UNUSUAL OPPORTUNITY TO MAKE A BREIF SYNOPSIS OF MY HISTORY "IN MY OWN WORDS". LETS SEE WHAT COMES OUT OF MY "GENERAL" UNRECORDED FILES OF MEMORIES.

AS I LOOK BACK ON MY LIFE AT AGE SIXTY-ONE, IN MANY WAYS IT APPEARS UNEVENTFUL. I AM PRETTY WELL UNKNOWN BY PEOPLE OF MY EARLY LIFE. TO PEOPLE OF MY PRESENT LIFE FOR THE LAST THIRTY THREE YEARS, MANY OF THEM INDIAN AND HISPANIC PEOPLE OF THE SOUTHWEST I WILL ALWAYS BE SOMEWHAT OF AN OUTSIDER, SINCE I CAN NEVER FULLY IDENTIFY WITH THEM.

I AM A FRANCISCAN FRIAR AND A CATHOLIC PRIEST. IMPRESSIVE AS THAT MIGHT SOUND TO SOME, AT PRESENT THESE ARE ONLY "ROLES" AND DO NOT CAPTURE THE DEEPEST ASPARATIONS AND MOTIVATIONS OF MY LIFE. MY "ORIGIONAL VISION" THAT THREADS THROUGH MY LIFE IS TO SOMEHOW FIND THE "KEY" TO THE MYSTERY OF LIFE. FROM MY EARLIEST DAYS I KNEW INSTINCTIVELY THAT THE "KEY" WAS SOMEHOW CONNECTED WITH A RELIGIOUS EXPERIENCE. I HAD AN EARLY CONVERSION, AND I SEE SOMEHOW THAT IT WAS CONNECTED WITH THE GOSPELS. IN THE SIXTH GRADE I FOUND A COPY OF THE NEW TESTAMENT

THAT BELONGED TO MY FATHER AND READ IT FOR THE FIRST TIME. AND IN THE EIGHTH GRADE I FOUND A COPY OF THE GOSPELS IN GREEK THAT BELONGED TO MY BROTHER , FATHER PAUL. I STILL HAVE IT TO THIS DAY-- AND YES, I HAVE COME FULL CIRCLE TO FINDING THE "KEY" TO ALL LIFE IN THE GOSPEL, WHICH TURNS OUT TO BE A PERSON, THE PERSON OF JESUS CHRIST. I HAVE RETURNED TO A NEW AWARENESS THAT THE PERSON AND STORY OF JESUS IS THE MAIN INTEREST IN MY LIFE. HAVING SAID THIS TO PUT MY STORY INTO FOCUS, I WILL PROCEED TO SOME DETAILS OF THAT STORY.

I FEEL THAT MANY EVENTS OF MY LIFE WERE PROPHETIC. BY "PROPHETIC" I MEAN THAT MY LIFE STORY HAS A MEANING PRECISELY BECAUSE I HAD NO CONTROL OVER MANY OF THE EVENTS.

I WAS BORN ON APRIL 9TH 1935 ON MY MOTHERS BIRTHDAY. MY MOTHER HENRIETTA WAS AGE 44 WHEN I WAS BORN AND MY FATHER MATHIAS WAS 50. BY MODERN STANDARDS I WAS A "RISK". I CERTAINLY WASN'T "NEEDED" AS THE THIRTEENTH CHILD. BUT STILL MY MOTHER ALWAYS TOOK IT FOR GRANTED I WAS MEANT TO BE. I WAS THE SEVENTH SON , WITH FIVE LIVING SISTERS.

ABOUT EIGHTEEN MONTHS I WAS SERIOUSLY BURNED, AND SHORTLY AFTERWARDS WAS TAKEN FROM THE SECOND FLOOR OF MY HOME BY BOAT IN THE 1937 OHIO RIVER FLOOD. THUS I PASSED THROUGH FIRE AND WATER AT AN EARLY AGE.

THE SECOND WORLD WAR HAD A DEFINITE EFFECT ON MY LIFE, EVEN THOUGH I WAS TOO YOUNG TO BE IN THE MILITARY. BUT I DID SEE MY BROTHERS GO OFF TO THE SERVICE, AND THE DAILY NEWS WAS LARGELY

NEWS ABOUT THE WORLD WAR.

I HAD AN EARLY CONVERSION AT ABOUT AGE 13 AFTER THE DEATH OF MY MOTHER IN 1948, AND FROM THAT TIME ALL MY ADOLESCENT ENERGY WAS LOOKING FORWARD TOWARD THE FRANCISCAN LIFE AND PRIESTHOOD. I HAVE NEVER HAD ANY DOUBTS ABOUT MY VOCATION, ALTHOUGH I HAD FEARS I WOULD NEVER OBTAIN IT. I NEVER THOUGHT THAT MARRIAGE WAS AN OPTION FOR ME, SINCE MY MAIN PRIORITIES WERE RELIGIOUS.. ALWAYS LOOKING FOR THE "KEY".

I WAS BORN IN THE WEST END OF CINCINNATI, AND ATTENDED ST. HENRY SCHOOL. DURING THE WAR YEARS, 1943, WE MOVED TO CLIFTON AND I ATTENDED ANNUNCIATION SCHOOL. THAT IS WHERE I HAD MY EARLY CONVERSION, AND CHOSE TO HAVE MY FIRST MASS THERE IN 1962. I HAD A PAPER-ROUTE IN CLIFTON THAT ENTAILED A LOT OF WALKING-- AND A TIME TO THINK.

I ENTERED ST. FRANCIS HIGH SCHOOL SEMINARY IN 1949. IN 1953 I BECAME A FRANCISCIAN. I WAS ORDAINED A PRIEST IN 1962. THIS WAS RIGHT BEFORE THE VATICAN COUNCIL. SO I HAD ONE FOOT IN THE OLD LATIN TRADITION, AND ONE FOOT IN THE UPSETTING CHANGES OF THE SIXTIES. ALTHOUGH THIS WAS THE TIME WHEN MANY LOST THEIR FAITH, EVEN PRIESTS AND RELIGIOUS, I WAS NOT AFFECTED, EXCEPT TO GRIEVE THE ALIANATION OF MANY. I FELT THAT TO LIVE IN THESE TIMES OF UPHEAVAL WERE PROPHETIC ALSO.

BESIDES, ARRIVING ON THE NAVAJO RESERVATION IN 1963, MY ATTENTION WAS ABLE TO SHIFT EASILY TO CULTURE AND LANGUAGE

STUDIES. MUCH ENERGY WENT INTO STUDYING LANGUAGE AND ANTHROPOLIGY, WITH A VIEW OF HOW TO MAKE THE GOSPEL REVELENT IN A NON-CHRISTIAN CULTURE. THIS FOR ME WAS A STEP IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION, SINCE THE GOSPEL IS THE KEY TO BECOMING A HEALTHY HUMAN BEING. (ANTHROPOLIGY IS THE STUDY OF "HUMAN BEINGS").

SOMEONE ONCE TOLD ME THAT MY BIGGEST PROBLEM IS THAT I HAVE TOO MANY INTERESTS. I KNOW IT IS TRUE. MY LATEST INTEREST IS THAT OF SOMEHOW BRINGING ALL TOGETHER THROUGH MUSIC AND ART. IN RELIGIOUS TERMS THAT WOULD BE "LEARNING THE SONG OF THE LAMB". I BELIEVE THAT FOR ME SONG WILL BRING ALL THINGS TOGETHER SOMEHOW. THIS WAS CONFIRMED BY THE FUNERAL I HAD THIS MORNING--THE DEATH OF A 35 YEAR OLD MAN IN A CAR ACCIDENT, WHERE PEOPLE WERE BEST BROUGHT TO THE GOSPEL BY MUSIC. IT IS THE CROSS THAT UNITES US BEST INTO ONE CHRISTIAN FAITH.. AND JESUS SINGS FROM THE CROSS.

I DID NOT ASK TO COME TO THE NAVAJO RESERVATION AFTER ORDINATION TO THE PRIESTHOOD IN 1962. I FOUND OUT LATER THAT FR. BLAISE BRICKWEG ON THE FRANCISCAN COUNCIL IN 1963 HEARD THAT I WAS GOOD AT LANGUAGES AND WANTED ME TO COME TO THE RESERVATION TO CARRY ON THE WORK OF FR. BERARD HAILE, A GREAT NAVAJO LINGUIST.

DURING MY FIRST YEARS ON THE NAVAJO RESERVATION I WAS MOVED AROUND QUITE A BIT. IT GAVE ME A GOOD OVER-ALL PERSPECTIVE NOT JUST OF THE NAVAJO, BUT ALSO OF THE HOPI PUEBLO CULTURE. I WAS EDITOR OF THE PADRES TRAIL FOR FOUR YEARS AND LEARNED PHOTOGRAPHY. I WAS ABLE TO EFFECTIVELY FOLLOW THE VARIOUS

MOVEMENTS IN THE CHURCH FROM AFAR THE RESERVATION, INCLUDING THE CHARISMATIC MOVEMENT, DEPTH PSYCHOLOGY, CODEPENDENCY ISSUES, ETC, EVEN THOUGH I WAS NOT PART OF THE MAINSTREAM CONTEMPORARY LIFE. STRANGE AS IT MIGHT SEEM, THE LORD HAS PROVIDED VERY RICH SPIRITUAL AND INTELLECTUAL OPPORTUNITIES FOR ME OUT HERE IN THE DESERT, AND HAS BROUGHT SOME VERY INTERESTING PEOPLE INTO MY LIFE.

IT WAS NOT UNTIL 1974 THAT I BECAME A PASTOR AT KEAMS CANYON ON THE HOPI RESERVATION. PRESENTLY IN 1996, I AM PASTOR AT ST. MICHAELS MISSION, WHICH WAS THE FIRST MISSION FOUNDED IN 1898 BY FRANCISCIANS FROM CINCINNATI. (100TH COMING UP). IN THE FUTURE I WOULD LIKE TO GET BACK INTO INDIAN SPIRITUALITY AS IT RELATES TO THE GOSPEL, BUT WITH THE PASTOR SHORTAGE I MIGHT HAVE TO KEEP THAT A PART TIME PURSUIT. REALISTICALLY, I DO NOT SEE THE POSSIBILITY OF EVER COMPLETELY RETIRING FROM PASTORAL WORK. THERE ARE TOO MANY NEEDS.

MAYBE EDITOR BILL CONRAD HAS SOME DETAILS HE WOULD LIKE TO ADD. I ALWAYS OVERLOOK THE OBVIOUS RELEVENT FACTS IN FAVOR OF THE DEEPER MEANING EVENTS HAVE FOR ME. BUT THAT SAYS SOMETHING ABOUT ME ALSO..FOR THE RECORD.

EDITORS NOTE: FATHER SIMON SENT ME SEVERAL PHOTOS OF HIMSELF AND ALLOWED ME TO REPHOTOGRAPH THEM INTO 5 X 7 PRINTS. HE ALSO GAVE ME PERMISSION TO USE THE ONE I WANTED OPPOSITE THIS BIOGRAPHY. THE ONE YOU SEE IS THE ONE I CHOSE.

Jesus! Mary! Joseph!

Your prayers are requested for the repose of the soul of

MATHIAS CONRAD

who passed away Tuesday, January 15, 1957, well fortified with the sacraments of the holy Church, at the age of 72 years.

PRAYER

O most merciful Jesus, fond lover of souls, I pray thee by the agony of Thy most Sacred Heart and by the sorrows of Thy Immaculate Mother that Thou wouldst receive the soul of Thy faithful servant **MATHIAS** into the enjoyment of eternal happiness, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Our Father, Hail Mary.

"Grant eternal rest, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine on him." Amen.

O, most sacred heart of Jesus, I implore that I may ever love Thee more and more. 300 days Indulgence.

"In memory of that day on which was given — what is not given to Angels — that I should offer — God to God."

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Rev. Paul A. Conrad

Ordained Priest

June 7, 1941

First Solemn Mass

June 8, 1941

St. Henry's Church

Cincinnati, Ohio

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Pray for me

Jesus! Mary! Joseph!

Your prayers are requested for the repose of the soul of

Henrietta Conrad

(Nee Houlscott)

who passed away Thursday, June 24, 1948, well fortified with the Sacraments of the Holy Church, at the age of 57 years.

PRAYER

O most merciful Jesus, fond lover of souls, I pray Thee by the agony of Thy most Sacred Heart and by the sorrows of Thy Immaculate Mother that Thou wouldst receive the soul of Thy faithful servant **HENRIETTA** into the enjoyment of eternal happiness, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Our Father, Hail Mary.

"Grant eternal rest, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine on her." Amen.

O, most sacred heart of Jesus, I implore that I may ever love Thee more and more. 300 days Indulgence.

"Have pity on me, have pity on me, at least you my friends, for the hand of God has touched me."

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Jesus! Mary! Joseph!

In Loving Memory

of

MARGARET CONRAD

Born May 31, 1850

Died July 31, 1931

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PRAYER

To Thee, O Lord, do we commend the soul of Thy servant, MARGARET, that being dead to the world she may live unto Thee and whatsoever sins she has committed through the frailty of her mortal nature, do Thou, by the pardon of Thy most merciful love, wash away. Amen.

O sweet Jesus, through Thy holy agony, grant eternal rest to Thy faithful departed.

Our Father. Hail Mary.

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Fr. Simon Conrad

Franciscan

Ordained a Priest

June 14, 1962

First Solemn Mass

Annunciation Church

Cincinnati, Ohio

June 17, 1962

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Lord Jesus, Eternal High Priest, Good Shepherd, bless all those who have led me to Your Altar.

"We have loved her dearly during life; let us not abandon her until we have conducted her by our prayers into the house of the Lord."

—St. Ambrose

Jesus! Mary! Joseph!

In Loving Memory of

CATHERINE HOULSCOTT

(nee Riedinger)

Departed this Life

Tuesday January 17, 1950

Age 82 years

Well Fortified

PRAYER

O God, the Creator and Redeemer of all the faithful grant to the soul of Thy servant departed the remission of all her sins, that, through the devout prayers of Thy Church on earth, she may obtain that remission of pain, which she has ever desired, who livest and reignest, world without end. Amen.

Our Father. Hail Mary.

Eternal rest give unto her, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her.