Russell Family History

Several undated letters

From Iva (Bell) Russell (1906-2007)

To Marie (Russell) Cochrane (1916-2005)

Personal knowledge of
William Winston Cochrane IV

Dear Marie —

These notes I've put in the letters are kind of "messy" and if there is something you don't understand or if I don't have it right, call me or correct it. I don't think I should have let this go so long but I sort of forgot it and too, I didn't know I had so much. I have tried to bring Kate's notes up to date but you can add to it, I'm sure.

~~I'm~~ should write this over, but maybe you can work it over.

I hope you are feeling good. ~~I have~~ Hello to Ann Marie

Love - Ina

Lilla's family!

① Marie - You can give this info if you want to.
Betty was about 3 or 4 years old and Helen was about 7.
After the girls were out of High School and in college, Lilla married an ~~engineer~~ engineer by the name of "Reed" I never heard his first name, she always called him, Mr. Reed (no)

② They were not married very long when he suddenly died. After that she sold her home and after 2 or 3 years, she went to Holton to see Guy and meet Mrs Bender

Helen was married to Mat McElhinney Had one son John still living in Denver The other little boy older than John died Dr. Billie had meningitis!

③ maybe you will be able to make out "meningitis" and passed away on Xmas Day before John was born. John has two boys Ben and Matt.

They both were married last - summer - one in June the other in December.

④ Bessie changed her name to Betty. Betty married Emmett Hayes in 1929. No children At present time Betty ~~is~~ is in a Care Center in St Joseph.
Emmett passed away several years ago.

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Places where they are buried
Lilla - Paola
Cemetary by her first husband
Clifford Bryan

Claude - Lowery City Mo.

Kansas
Walter - Olathe
Bert - Olathe
Fred - Liberty Mo.
Gus - Holton Ks
Katherine - Olathe Ks
Mabel - Olathe, "

Myrtle - Butler, Mo
Ernest - Bolivar, "
Ray - Paola, Ks.
Grace - I assume will probaby be in Overland Park, Ks

Sam and Stella address.
60 Carolina Shore Drive
Carolina Shores
N.C.
28467

They live in the same place but the town changed the name of the part they lived in.

① Guy and Nellie were in the Horton store for several years before he bought Ernest's Store at Holton. A short time later he bought a store at Savannah, Mo., making him own Horton, Holton and Savannah.

The rest is correct as far as I know —

& Marie you know more than I do about Grace & Mary.

"Mabel & Bill's" Son Sam
Was in Service for three
or four years and while
there he took college work
and finished about two years.
When he got out of service,
he stayed with us for a short
time. Here he met Stella Bower
(one of my girls) and about two
years later they were married.
Then they both finished college

at K.U. Sammy became a
forest ranger. They were
stationed in Washington State
for several years but his
last place was on the
Roosevelt Estate. He has
now retired and he & Stella
live in ~~Calabash, S. Carolina~~
Two boys Randy and Rodney
One lives close by, the other
in Texas. They come back
~~has~~ here & visit and seem very
happy

Mabel & Bill's son Bobbie had a rather tragic life. When he graduated from High School in Olathe. He was too young to get a job so Ray and I had given the means for college. He went to K.U. for two years and then through no fault of his own he was taken. He was

such a good kid.

Several boys gathered at a usual drug store in Olathe One boy had a new mortocycle and each boy was taking turns and when it came time for Bobbie. He made it but as he was coming back it started raining. He lost control and was thrown in front of an oncoming car. and he was killed instantly

Ernest and Fern had two boys. Donald is 73 now, has not retired a lawyer - very sucessful. Has two daughters. Pamela - a circuit judge in K.C. Last name is Brockenbridge. Susan married a man who had a furniture business. John - a contractor. (over)

Wallace - ~~Optom~~ O.D. Can't think how to spell it so I'll just say Eye Doctor. 1 year younger than Donald. Retired after his only child - ~~Pame~~ Pamela was killed in an automobile accident

Cecil and Waneta
are both buried in a little
country cemetery between
here and Ottawa.
Cecil died Oct. 6, 1986 just
21 days before Ray
passed away - Oct 26th

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Fred and Margaret were married in the early '20's. I met them about 1928 - Emma Jane was about 2½ years old and Sara Martha wasn't quite a year old. About 5 or 6 years later Freddie Lee was born. She was a beautiful child. Blond curly hair and big blue eyes; a cuddly little chubby child. When she was about four years, she and her Mother were in the porch swing reading the funny paper. Her mother had to go inside for something; told her to stay in the swing. Like many children will do, she went across the street where her sisters were playing and then when her Mother opened her door to come out outside, she saw a car when it struck Freddie Lee. The woman driving had

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her head turned, waving at
at a neighbor. Freddie Lee died
the next day in the hospital.
Emma Jane and Sara
Martha each had about the
same childhood as any other
normal child does. E.J. married
at 17 when she was out of
High School. Richard Ross.
They went to High School
together. A year later Sara
Martha graduated and Fred
sent the 3 of them to K.U. ~~Sara~~
Sara M. met a really nice
young man at K.U. Well, Rich
yrd was a nice person, too,
but I didn't know him as well.
Emma Jane and Richard had
one daughter - Carolyn who
married ~~an~~ Air Force Academy
at ~~Carolyn~~ Colorado and they
had returned to Colorado Springs
the last I heard. Emma Jane
died in 1992 and Richard about
a year later and after that I
really didn't hear from
Carolyn. Sara Martha died
Jan. 1991

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Sara Martha was always my favorite so I know a little more about her.

S. M. married Jack Coleman and as the war "War on" he went into service as soon as he was out of college. They lived in several places and the last was Dayton, Ohio. He retired as a General. Then they went to Calif. where he taught in Fullerton College. I can never think of that name.

After returning from the college He then went to Russia, China and some European countries picking out Exchange students for this college. He spent two to three years after he retired from the college.

Sara had her first cancer operation when she was about 27 years old. Just after her two daughters were born. From then on

Jack stopped to see us when he comes to Ks. He still has farmland here - Friends farm.

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it seemed that every little while it would be another operation. I didn't see how she could hardly get along with so many parts gone. Ray and I went to see them in about 1982. Jack was so wonderful to Sm. and Theresa seemed so happy. I could tell you more but its not important. I'll get back as what I started. They had two daughters, Linda and Deborah (Debbie) Linda lives in Houston but I have forgotten her last name. She and her husband separated when their two girls were small and she has taught school since but never remarried. Debbie worked at Disneyland before she married. She was engaged to a young pilot and he was killed just before they were to be married so she didn't get married till later than most girls. I think about thirty. Then she married a young lawyer. They had a little girl and a boy when I saw them last

Bert Russell's son

Russell

Cecil H. Russell, 77, San Saba, Texas, died Monday, Oct. 6, 1986, at his home.

He was born in Paola, May 24, 1909, the son of Bert and ~~Edna~~ Elva Lavena Jackson Russell.

On April 18, 1935, he was united in marriage to Juanita M. Logan Russell in Kansas City, Mo.

Mr. Russell was a pipe fitter. He was also a rock collector and owned a rock shop.

He was a member of Union Local 32 of Seattle and the Odd Fellows 107 Welcome Lodge of Superior, Mont.

A brother, Junior Russell of St. Joseph, Mo., survives.

Graveside services were at 11 a.m. today, Monday, at the Pleasant Valley Cemetery under the direction of the Wilson and Son Funeral Home of Paola. The Rev. Jerry Vaughn, pastor of the United Methodist Church, was the officiant.

Bert Russell.

Cecil Russell - died before Ray died. He was Bert and Elva's son, he and his wife Wanita visited us several times. Junior was younger than Cecil but he didn't visit us much but the last I heard from him, he lived in Gower, Mo. a small town close to St. Joseph, Mo.

Bert Russell
Elva ~~[illegible]~~ Jackson maiden name
Russell

Two sons - 1 daughter died in infancy - the younger son.

10/6 Cecil - Born 1909
Died in 1986
Junior was

Address of Bessie's daughter -

Betty & Harold ~~Bowman~~ Bowman
706 River Towers - West
4260 SE 20th Place
Cape Coral, Florida
33904