

GENERAL NEWS

Heaven Is A Lot Like Kentucky

RAINTEE'S RIDERS AT THE BATTLE OF BLUE LICKS

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Captain Robert Patterson had sprinted so hard toward the Licking River it felt as if his heart would explode.

He had completely over exerted himself in his haste to flee from the enemy.

Patterson, 25, was a very experienced and respected militia officer.

He was a subordinate commander under Lt. Colonel Daniel Boone this day, but even he and Boone had known early in the fighting that the Kentuckians were soon to be routed by a numerically superior enemy force consisting of Native American warriors and elite British-Canadian rangers under the British command of Capt. William Caldwell.

Patterson sat dejectedly on a log as one sharp pain after another exploded within his side. He'd suffered a deep tomahawk wound in 1776, six years earlier at the hands of the same foe. The wound had broken two ribs, punctured a lung and nearly cut him into.

Patterson first came to Kentucky in the spring of 1773 with John McClelland.

In 1776, he helped establish what would one day become Lexington, Ky.

The next year, during a skirmish with Shawnee warriors, he had been shot twice in the right arm and received the vicious tomahawk wound.

He never fully recovered from those wounds, but his military leadership was

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such that he soon became the commander of the Lexington Blockhouse, and when Bryan's (Brian's) Station was attacked in August of 1782, he had led a group of militia soldiers to their aid. When the enemy departed he had joined the dead body of his friend, Ezekiel Fields, being dragged behind the horse, and he immediately cut Fields' ensnared boot from the twisted stirrups. He then mounted the dead horse, named Rainette, and rode to the river.

He managed to outdistance the enemy, and as he approached the river saw Capt. Patterson. He stopped and offered his hand to Patterson, who simply waved him on.

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"Here Captain! Take my hand!" Reynolds implored as he approached.

Patterson looked up to see several Native American approaching.

"Too tired son, can't move, go on without me and save your own hide," he told Reynolds.

Reynolds then dismounted and lifted Patterson onto the right flank and center portion of the army retreating as Boone and Patterson's command on the left flank pushed forward into the enemy force.

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near him, while Patterson and the remaining survivors of the left flank turned back to the river and ran with all of their strength, to escape the murderous enemy combatants.

Thus the slaughter began in earnest. Boone, a soldier in Boone and Patterson's command, found himself trapped by the encroaching enemy and made a mad lunge at a horse as it went racing by. He found the dead body of his friend, Ezekiel Fields, being dragged behind the horse, and he immediately cut Fields' ensnared boot from the twisted stirrups. He then mounted the dead horse, named Rainette, and rode to the river.

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grab the reigns of the horse belonging to the widow of his brother Ned Boone. Ned had been killed by Shawnee warriors in 1780 while he and Daniel Boone were hunting near Plum Lick, and Ned's widow had given the horse to a relative to ride two days ago.

Mount up and ride Rainette," Boone screamed frantically as he held the reigns of the terrified horse while the enemy loomed around him.

"I won't leave you father," Israel replied and was about to say more when he was struck in the base of the throat by an enemy bullet.

He died within moments in his father's arms.

Israel Reynolds, meanwhile, managed to escape from his captors and reach upon inspection, seven bullet holes were discovered in his hunting shirt. His wife ripped the shirt from his back and surprisingly found no wounds other than three black streaks made by bullets passing so close to his skin as to leave a mark.

Of the 182 frontiersmen, known to have participated in the battle, 63, including Col. Todd and Lt. Col. Stephen Trigg, are known to have perished.

Capt. Robert Patterson rewarded Aaron Reynolds with a fine horse and 200 acres of land for his actions in saving him at the Battle of Blue Licks.

Robert Patterson and his wife Elizabeth would have ten other children in the years to follow. Capt. Robert Patterson died Aug. 5, 1827.

According to Boone family members, throughout the remainder of his long life, Daniel Boone was never able to utter Israel Boone's name without weeping uncontrollably.

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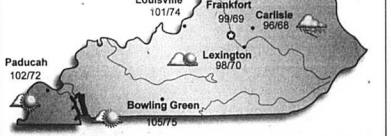


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barrel and vehicles have been conducted, but so far neither the Soldier nor the weapons have been located.

On the final judgment order signed by Honorable Judge Robert McGinnis, the order reads as follows.

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he said while speculating about the Uniform Code of Military Justice, military law, which all soldier adhere to.

Coloel David Miller, another public affairs officer with the Kentucky National Guard, who served in the first Gulf War and recently completed a tour of duty in Iraq, said he has no information regarding Pfc. Longnecker's status.

He commented on the M1 rifle, a semi-automatic rifle that fires a 5.56 caliber projectile.

Memorial services were held Aug. 13, 2007 at the Carlisle Cemetery Chapel with the Rev. Ernie Carmack officiating.

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OBITUARY

William Hobert Jones 1925-2007

William Hobert Jones, 82, died Aug. 9, 2007.

He was born in Mercer County May 24, 1925 to the late Celestine Phillips Jones and William Hobert Jones Sr. He was a WW II veteran and traveling salesman for Tobacco State Chemicals Co. and Clay Seed Co. He was a member of the Carlisle United Methodist Church.

K, and Oma Jones, Danville, Ky., and Beck and Susan Anderson, Kingsport, Tenn.; grandchildren, Tabitha and Kevin Wagner, Alexandria, Ky.; Brad Allen, Lancaster, Ky., and Megan Lee Jones, Jones.

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