

Heaven Is A Lot Like Kentucky

SAVING DANIEL

He was born on Dec. 10, 1756, the third of nine children of Henry Bedinger and Magdalena von Schlegel Bedinger. He was full of patriotism and fire when he joined his brother Henry and his Potomac River neighbors of Sherperdstown, in the Revolutionary War.

Mecklenburg, as the large population of Dutch immigrants to America had first called their community, was the home of a hardy breed of British colonists of German descent.

Private George Michael Bedinger fought with tenacity during the War that was, equaled only by the older and more trusted veterans of his hometown that had once fought with the British crown in the French and Indian War.



George Michael Bedinger saw his first military action while serving with the men of Captain Hugh Stevenson's Company.

Their banner bore the emblem of the coded rat tleskane with the words "Liberty or Death" engraved just below the famous motto, "Don't tread on me."

Brothers George Michael, Henry and 15-year-old Daniel, Bedinger were all members at one time or another with this company.

Henry and Daniel were captured at the Battle of Fort Washington. Henry was an officer and

accorded civil accommodations by British officers, but Daniel, like the other enlisted men, was thrown into prison, where most died.

Daniel was near death when he finally begged a Hessian officer, in the native Dutch tongue of his mother, to have mercy and spare him and place him on a barge bound for Philadelphia. The officer had him lowered into the boat and soon he was languishing more dead than alive in a hospital.

Michael, who was then in between tours of duty, searched the hospital for Daniel but did not recognize him among the other bodies that lay in the bay inside the barn that was the makeshift hospital.

There is no one in here alive," he finally asked, "after examin-

ing dead body after dead body.

"Yes, Michael, there is one alive," a weak voice said from the corner.

George Michael could scarcely believe the pitiful looking survivor who told him it was his own young son or brother, his appearance had changed so much due to his difficult imprisonment.

Michael carried the boy to a nearby house that was friendly to the American cause.

When he heard that British soldiers were on their way to search the house, George Michael, who in later life was known simply as Major Bedinger, found a chair, two pillows and two leather straps. With these items he secured his barely living brother in the chair and swung the chair onto his back as if it were a backpack.

He made his way out of the back door when the British soldiers stormed through the front.

He carried Daniel several miles to the home of a Quaker family that also tended to the infirm and ill, and where he nearly required medical attention due to his physical exertion from carrying his brother at such a fast pace.

Daniel would eventually heal and, like his older brothers, Henry and George Michael, would rejoin his surviving neighbors in their plight against the oppression of British tyranny.

George Michael Bedinger would survive the early stages of the Revolutionary War in the east and come to Kentucky in March 1779 with John Strode and

others.

He served seven months under Capt. John Holder at Fort Boonesborough. He would have many great adventures in Kentucky, and several others.

He would later settle near Blue Licks, along the Licking River, where he became an industrious and quick-minded businessman and political leader.

If the good Lord is willing, dear reader, we will join George Michael Bedinger, on his adventures in future columns.

Charlotte Bryant 1940-2008

Charlotte Bernice "Bea" Bryant, 68, of Bowling, died Thursday, November 13, 2008 at the University of Kentucky Medical Center.

She was born on November 11, 1940 in Dayton, Ohio and was a former cleaning service operator.

Survivors include three children, Marty (David) Hunter, Arthur Tyra, Jr., Fountain, Michigan; and Terri (James) Tyra-Williams, Middletown, Ohio; a brother, Edgar Caspersen, Jr., Michigan; and four grandchildren: Brook Anderson, Brittney Lundberg, Brett Rose and Breanna Rose.

She was preceded in death by her parents Edgar & Martha Miller Caspersen; a sister, Tammi Lundberg; and granddaughter, Bree Lundberg.

Private family services will be held at a later date. Arrangements are under the direction of Mathers-Gaunce Funeral Home.

James Gibson, Pennsylvania; Jackie Caywood and Jeff Becker, Nicholas Co., great-nieces and nephews; Kristy Gibson, Amanda Gibson, Holly Becker and Matthew Becker; and a great-great niece Julianna Gail Worthington.

He was preceded in death by a brother, Martin Ewing, Arthur Becker and Jeanette Lee Gibson; and a niece, Jane Gibson.

Services were conducted at 2:00 p.m. Friday, Nov. 14 at Mathers-Gaunce Funeral Home by Rev. James Gaunce. Burial with military honors followed in Carlisle Cemetery.

Casket bearers were William Carson, Charles Clark, Bobby Fay, John and J.J. Jones, and Paul Treadway.

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Doug Wright of Mt. Olivet and one sister-in-law, Helen Thaxton of Indianapolis. He is also survived by several nieces, nephews, friends and relatives.

He was preceded in death by his parents and two brothers, Charles Thaxton; and Roy Wayne Thaxton.

Funeral Services were held Monday, Nov. 10th at the Shirley Brothers Funeral Chapel. Burial was in the Washington East Memorial Cemetery in Indianapolis, Indiana.

Bobby Allen Buckler 1938-2008

Bobby Allen Buckler, 70, husband of Betty Sourd Buckler, died Sunday, Nov. 16, 2008 at St. Joseph Hospital.

He was born June 17, 1938 in Scott County, KY.

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COUNCIL

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he said.

Councilman Hal stated that members of the Newly formed Nicholas County Annual Welfare Society (NCAWS) would like to speak at a future meeting of the council and might provide solutions for the stray cat problem.

Organizers with the NCAWS will be meeting with county officials as the Mercury goes to press with information regarding that meeting and the mission of the NCAWS to be in next week's edition.

In other business the council members:

- Approved the minutes of the Oct. 6 meeting
- Approved the payroll transfers on a motion by Council member Doug Garrett, seconded by Ritchie.
- Heard a positive report on natural gas prices being closely watched by Mayor Clark.
- Adopted ordinance number 11, for 2008, which refers to identify theft, on a motion by Crawford, seconded by Hall.
- Heard a report from the mayor on continuing efforts to upgrade the city's truck fleet and improvements made in the by city employees, who recently worked diligently to stop a water tower leak. Clark and council members expressed deep praise for the selfless hours of work and diligence by city workers.
- "I don't think I've ever seen our town look like now," Clark said in reference to the many activities of beautification being recently engaged in. Clark also mentioned the possibility of purchasing a new one-ton truck, which had been allocated for in this year's budget. "We've not had a lot of luck with trucks lately," he said while discussing recent mechanical failures of one of the city's trash trucks and one of the one ton trucks.
- "Heard about the requirements of adopting a private lane into the city road plan at the request of guests, who are considering such a move with their neighbors."
- Adjourned

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Howard C. Letcher 1928-2008

Howard C. Letcher, 80, died Tuesday, November 11, 2008 at Johnson-Mathers Nursing Home.

He was born May 25, 1928 in Nicholas Co. to the late Roy D. & Leona Stangfield Letcher, was a U.S. Army veteran and was a retired painter.

Survivors include a brother, Reese Letcher, Frankfort; nieces and nephews Ann Gibson, Fleming Co.;

Kelly Thaxton 1919-2008

Kelly Thaxton, 92, died Tuesday, November 11, 2008 at Johnson-Mathers Nursing Home.

She was born May 25, 1919 in Nicholas Co. to the late Roy D. & Leona Stangfield Letcher, was a U.S. Army veteran and was a retired painter.

Survivors include a brother, Reese Letcher, Frankfort; nieces and nephews Ann Gibson, Fleming Co.;

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