

OPINION

Heaven Is A Lot Like Kentucky

Amid the Ashes

"Michael Cassidy, a little Irishman, says in my mess, got a horse some how and was alone... He came back with his fingers all bloody American tribes and claws with weapons and ammunition to drive the settlers from the sacred lands of Kentucky."

By Charles Horton

None seemed more intent of inflicting pain as Cassidy, though, and his actions disgusted Lazy Bill Cassidy was a fearless fighter, and Lazy Bill remembered all too well his cousin's charge during the Battle of Red Bank near Battle Run Branch along the Licking River, when Cassidy had saved the life of Captain John Fleming.

Early November 1782, on the Great Miami River at the Shawnee village of New Chillicothe.

General George Rogers Clark and his second in command, Colonel Benjamin Logan, moved their army of 1052 soldiers north across the Ohio River, crossing the Mad River and continuing northward up the Little Miami River to Old Chillicothe, farther north along the Big Miami River to New Chillicothe, and then they planned on moving farther north still to the Indian villages near the junction of the St. Mary and St. Joseph Rivers and perhaps locate and destroy the trading post of Pierre Loranme.

But several of the men with Cassidy had died on his pregnant wife, Mary Money Clinkenberg. She was due with their first child any day and he longed to be near her and comfort her.

Major John Morrison in Kentucky had been so tired in the summer of 1782, a year most who survived would simply refer to as "The Year of Blood," that General Clark had sent orders to all the settlements that every single able-bodied man was ordered to join the expedition.

Many of the Kentuckians, like Lt. Colonel Daniel Boone, had suffered the loss of family members during the Battle of Blue Licks fought in August, and were along for retribution.

Pierre Loranme's store was burnt and he was taken on prisoner but released along by Logan at the Ohio River and told to take a message to the Shawnee and Miami warriors. Logan said he would exchange one Shawnee prisoner every two white prisoners he had. Clark had several prisoners locked up in Louisville and two from the raid they had devastated the Shawnee and Kentuckians lived in relative peace for almost two years.

Several young warriors, perhaps even the one known as The Crowsfoot Panther (Tocumseh) stood amid the ashes of the raid and vowed revenge, particularly on the small Irishman named Cassidy.

In Nov. of 1784 they found him. If the good Lord is willing, dear reader, in the near future we will examine that confrontation. Excerpted principally from "Michael Cassidy, Frontiersman" by Samuel Cassidy, and the Draper Manuscripts, including interviews with William Clinkenberg, Josiah Collins and others was re-written with

Steve's Report

Empty Nest

By Steve Seal

My daughter, Sarah, got married on Oct. 10. She was our first to get married, so we went without

my work, my imagination not the best of me and I half-expected getting back up to the house to find out Katie had come and gone without even saying hello to me.

The first Friday finally arrived and I had the day off work. I slept in a little later, then got up and ate breakfast with Cindy.

Just then, Katie came running down the hill towards me, arms held out wide, calling, "Dadda! Dadda!" and my foolish, grumpy I just couldn't get over how quiet the house was - in a good way. After the hectic week we had just experienced, the peacefulness was healing to the soul.

Then, part of me was still in denial. I went down for lunch together. I pulled out the cribbage board - something we used to do all

Friday was also Sarah's birthday, so we had the usual, family birthday celebration, complete with cake, ice cream and an evening of games. Later in the evening, as they prepared to head back home, we loaded up their car with more stuff. Cindy supplying them with plenty of fresh produce and other things from our pantry.

Except she wasn't coming home with me. So I did every reasonable mature man would do: I sat down for lunch together. I pulled out the cribbage board - something we used to do all

Sunday, Katie came back home for Sunday dinner - something she has promised to do as often as possible. And of course, we couldn't send her back empty-handed.

And to make matters worse, the following Tuesday, my other daughter, Katie, packed up her stuff and moved to Lexington so she can get a job and start classes at the University of Kentucky in January.

There you have it! In less than a week, the predictions of our wisest friends are beginning to prove true already. And we wouldn't have it any other way.

Some of my wisest friends here in Carlisle

And that's my two cents, Steve Seal

Central Kentucky Fox Hunters Association

The Central Kentucky Fox Hunters Association, Inc. held its Seventy-Sixth Annual Bench Show and Field Trial, Sept. 23 through 26, at Clay Wildlife Management. On Wednesday evening the old fashioned Burger Supper was a delicious meal that drew a large crowd and was followed by the Bench Show.

The first cast of Darby Hounds was Thursday morning along with first cast of all-age hounds. All daylong on Friday morning, the final cast of darby hounds and second cast of all-age hounds were held. Darby Awards Presentations were held at the Clay Wildlife Area Lower Creek Unit Check Station, and a fish fry followed the awards presentation.

At daybreak on Saturday morning, the final cast of All-Ages hounds was held. Placed by Perry Foster of Wellington, KY with his 1st place Darby HGO winner "Little Red." The lowest also took 2nd place in Darby Hounds with "Speed & Drive, 2nd Place Endurance, for a total score of 220 points. Perry was awarded a Trucking Cellar, donated by Johnson Telemetry of El Dorado Springs, Missouri.

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OBITUARIES



Melva M. Feaback

Melva M. Feaback, 70, died on Friday, Oct. 16, 2009. She was born in Cincinnati on June 22, 1939 to the late Raymond and her ex-husband, Billy F. Feaback, Sr. She is survived by her son: Billy (Ruby) Feaback, Jr. and daughter: Patricia (Tammy) Smith. She is survived by her children: Archie Ray (Lisa) Smith, Kirby Joe (Aimee) Smith, and two daughters: Mary Louise (Henry) Rhington McKenzie of Mt. Olive, Tenn. and Donna Moorefield, 24 grand children; 10 great-grandchildren; four brothers: Archie Lewis Brown, Ollie Ray Brown, Irvin Brown, Denver Brown; and two sisters: Gwendolyn (Lloyd) Graham and Charlotte (Billy) Masengale.



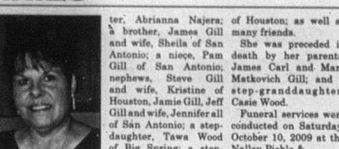
Judy Fay George

Judy Fay George, 59, of Mt. Olive died on Friday, Oct. 16, 2009 at the St. Joseph Hospital in Lexington. She was born in Montgomery County on Mar. 28, 1950 to the late Bobby and Mary Rogers. She is survived by her children: Michael Smith and Ramona Mitchell; four grandchildren: Latasha Mitchell, Jessica Mitchell, Brooke Smith and Michelle Smith; one great-grandchild, Emily Curtis; one brother, Ricky (Angela) Najera; and special friends: Gail Moore and Opal Compton.



Mary Louise Gill Wood

Mary Louise Gill Wood, beloved wife, mother, sister, grandmother and aunt passed away peacefully on Wednesday, Oct. 7, 2009 after a brief, but courageous battle with cancer and a long battle with fibromyalgia. She was born in Canton, Illinois on Feb. 20, 1950. She graduated from Nicolas County High School in Carlisle in 1968. She was a member of Baptist Temple Church in Big Spring and was a member of the church choir, and had worked for Specs and Company in Big Spring.



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Thank You The Family of Judy Day would like to thank everyone for the cards, flowers and food. Johnson Mathers Nursing Home for their care, the Ministers, the Carlisle Christian Church and Clark's Funeral Home for their services.

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