



Farrar Family Newsletter

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From the President's desk....

As I write this Spring has just arrived and trees and flowers are just starting to bud out, thank goodness it is getting warmer, although by June and our reunion it will be quite hot in northern Arkansas!! The political races are hyping up more and more every day and I'm already getting tired of those pesky phone calls!! Gary is just starting to plant our garden, radishes, potatoes, peas, spinach, lettuce and onions are putting their roots down as I write! Received a message from cousin Cindy Hix a few weeks ago to tell me about a TV show called, "Finding Our Roots" one episode featured actor Neil Patrick Harris and low and behold he was related to our ancestors William & Cecily Farrar!!! The show didn't give anymore information other than what we have, but related the tale that Cecily has the notoriety of being named in the 1st Breach of Promise suit in the new land. What I didn't know was that William Farrar was not only involved in the suit, but was her lawyer!!

We are not far away from commencing our 39th reunion, hoping that we will have a good turnout because we will be planning all the festivities for our 40th annual reunion blowout!!! If you have any good ideas or suggestions, plan on being present at the business meeting and sharing with us. I have been in contact with several people who are interested in being added to the list for our Newsletter and attending our annual reunion from Florida to California, hope some day they will have the time to come join us!!!! One in particular is Floyd Farrar from Hawaiian Gardens, CA a Navy veteran, I have included some information he has shared about his Farrar ancestors activities during the Civil War, hope you enjoy it. So be planning what to pack and getting your camping gear together or calling in reservations to motels so that you can be with us June 19th - 25th. Hope to see you in Arkansas!!!

Nancee Lehnhoff, Farrar Family Reunion President

Please attend!! we want our picture to look like . . .



35th Farrar Family Reunion 2012

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NOT THIS!!!

MENU FOR 2016 REUNION

Furnished by Reunion:

Refrigerator for storing food for meals; ice for drinks (not for private coolers); all cooking utensils, bowls, pans; flatware, paper plates & bowls; napkins, salt, pepper, catsup, mustard, sugar, creamer, coffee, tea, toilet paper, paper towels, jelly for toast

Regular Thousand Island, Ranch, Italian, and French dressings will be provided by Reunion. Or, bring your favorite.

Breakfasts: Cooked by early risers. Scrambled eggs, bacon, sausage, pancakes, fried potatoes, sliced fruit, toast, butter, jellies/jams, any pastries and/or homemade items brought. Bring what your family would eat of these items for the days you are attending. Not all items will be fixed every day. Example: if pancakes are fixed, we would not fix potatoes.

Nightly desserts / snacks: whatever you wish to bring

Lunch and/or in-between meal snacks is whatever you bring for your family. As a general rule, you are on your own. But, feel free to chow down on leftovers from the previous suppers.

Bring portions for your family only AND only for the days you are attending. Write your name on stuff you bring. **Please, Take it home with you when you leave if it has not been used.** This helps eliminate waste at the end of the week and helps with the cleanup. Be sure to put your name on dishes that need to be returned to you after use. Feel free to bring and share any of your favorite side dishes for any meal. We all love to eat! !

Canoe trip: peanut butter & jelly sandwiches, snacks (supplied by Doug & Pat Williams)

SATURDAY

Hamburgers, hot dogs, brats, or your choice of meat on the grill (your choice/you fix)

Buns for your choice of meat

Bakes beans

Veggies & dip (celery, cauliflower, broccoli cucumbers tomatoes and or/coleslaw

Chips

SUNDAY

Pork Roast (please pre-cut into medium or large chunks)

Potatoes

Green Beans

2 cucumbers/1 small onion (to make Barb's cucumber salad)

MONDAY

Beef tips and noodles (please pre-cut meat into bite size pieces) - NOTE: Jill will supply the noodles

2 cans beef broth

Corn on the cob (already shucked and cleaned, please)

2-3 fresh peaches, at least 1/2 lb bing cherries for ingredients for watermelon salad (watermelon will be provided)

TUESDAY

Goulash - 1 lb. hamburger (more if you have a large family)

1 can diced tomatoes

1 green pepper

1 package dry sloppy joe mix (2 depending on how much meat you bring)

Jill will provide macaroni noodles and parmesan cheese

Salad

Garlic toast/bread

WEDNESDAY

Breakfast will be fixed, but reunion will "officially" shutdown. However, anyone that wants to stay is welcome to do so, but you would be on your own for meals.

Anyone able to stay and help with the cleanup process would be greatly appreciated.



THE FARRAR FAMILY REUNION

A week long camp out commencing on FATHER'S DAY each year. Regularly held on FARRAR REUNION INC.'S own 12+ acres, with a lake on adjoining property owned by Bob Farrar near Wirth, AR. ALL FARRAR descendants, family and friends welcome!

DRIVING DIRECTIONS

From Hardy, AR go north on US 63 approximately 12 miles. See "FARRAR REUNION" sign on the right shoulder. Turn right onto Wirth Road and follow the signs.

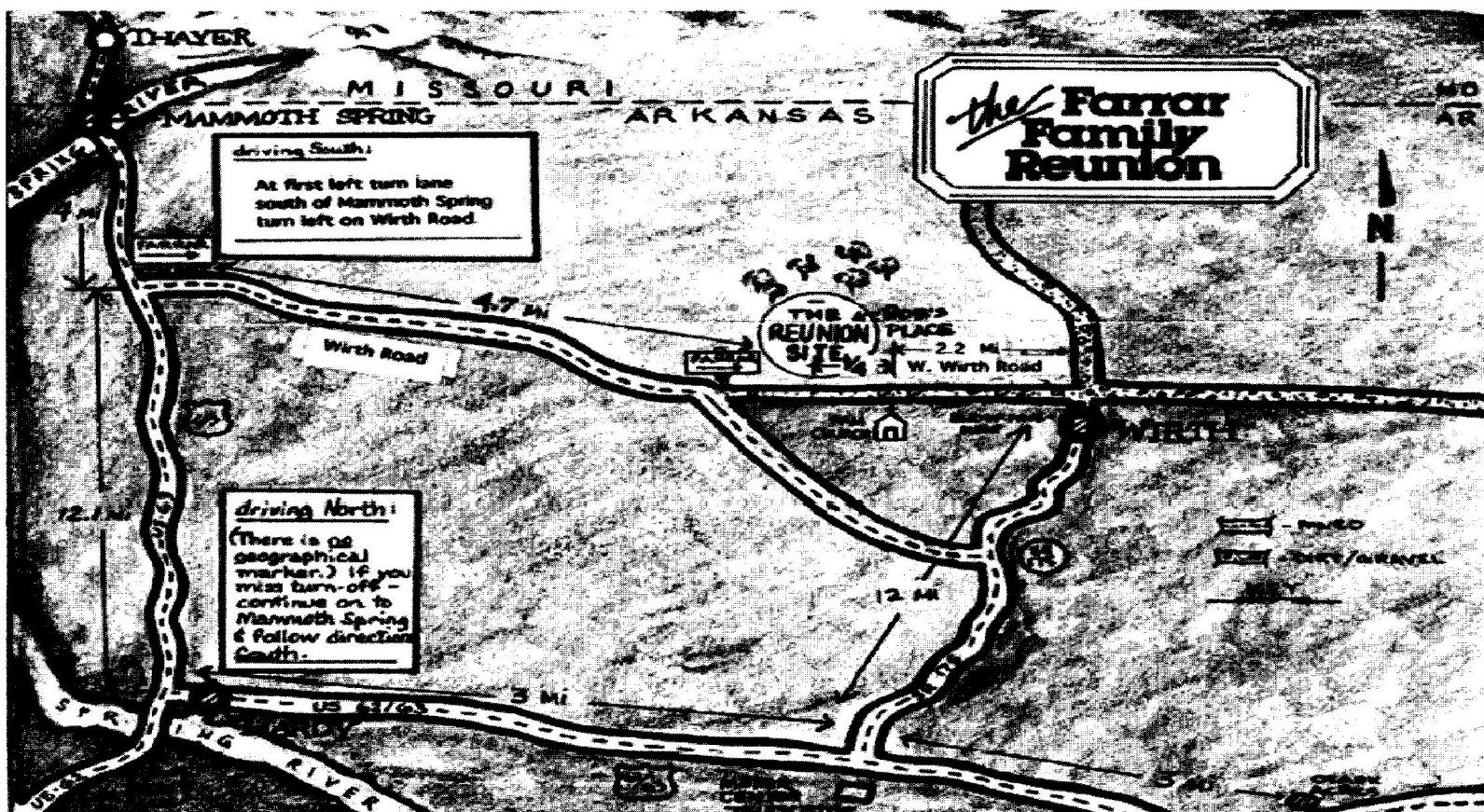
From Mammoth Spring, AR go south on US 63 approximately 4 miles to first left turn lane. See "FARRAR REUNION" sign on the left shoulder. Turn left onto Wirth Road and follow signs.

ACCOMMODATIONS

This is a semi-private, boondock-type campground. We provide a roofed and screened pavilion, with generator for evening lighting, space for tents and campers (no hook-ups), flush toilets, cold-water gravity fed showers, picnic tables, benches, propane stoves, all cooking and dining utensils, refrigerator for food, coffee, iced tea, etc. You provide your camping facilities or other accommodations, your lounge chairs, your food (see Menu), your thirst quenchers, etc. Other accommodations include the **Riverview Motel** in Mammoth Spring (1-870-625-3218) and the **Mammoth Spring RV Park** (1-870-625-7364). There are also motels available in Hardy, AR.

ACTIVITIES

Nightly bonfires, a lake for fishing and swimming, hiking trails, bird watching, star gazing, napping, volleyball, card and board games, horseshoes and washers, a constructed children's playground, and lots of love and camaraderie. We fly our country's flag daily, have a moment of silent prayer for all fathers who have predeceased us, conduct an annual business meeting on Father's Day, and do maintenance work on our facilities and grounds on Work Day (usually Monday). There is also a canoe trip scheduled one day (usually Tuesday) on the Spring River.



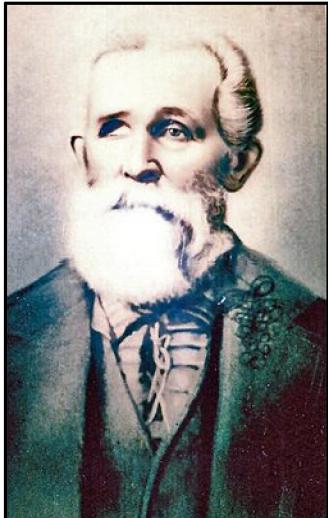


Say "Hello" to your cousin Floyd Farrar, a Navy veteran, he resides in California with his wife Sherry and has been involved in some Civil War enactments and is very interested in genealogy. He's sent me some interesting information on some of our ancestors sons of our Great-Great-Great-Grandfather (to the 2nd Generation) John Howard Farrar who was married to Elizabeth Roland Harris. Together they had 10 children who lived to adulthood. The article I read, lists 5 brothers Albert Gallatin, Junius Henry, James Franklin, Rufus Harrison, & Lucius Augustus (Gus). **Albert Gallatin & Junius Henry** both homesteaded near Cave Springs, AR. Albert was reportedly killed in the battle of Pea Ridge, AR. An unconfirmed family legend states that Albert was quite possibly killed by his own brother Junius Henry.

They didn't see eye to eye on session and the Pea Ridge battle was near their homesteads. Even tho Junius was a Union sympathizer he didn't join the Union Army at the start of the war, but after his farm was burned for the second time he joined in 1863 along with two of his sons John Harrison & Nicholas who were aged 18 & 17 respectively. On August 20, 1865 at Memphis, TN all three mustered out of the U.S. Army and returned home to Benton county, AR. **James Franklin** enlisted as a Private in Company K, Tennessee 41st Infantry Regiment at Camp Trousdale, TN in November 1862 James returned to his home in Flat Creek, Bedford county, TN and lived an additional 39 years following the end of the Civil War. **Rufus Harrison** enlisted as a Private in the Tennessee 2nd Infantry Regiment in 1861 and this regiment was mustered into the Confederate Army in Lynchburg, VA. Rufus was killed in action in 1862 at the Battle of Shilo, TN. **Lucius Augustus (Gus)** enlisted in Company K, Tennessee 8th Infantry Regiment at Camp Harris, Tennessee on May 18, 1861. Lucius was elected to First Sergeant in 1862 and was wounded and left in the hands of the enemy following the battle of Murfreesboro/Stone's River in December, 1862. He was paroled sometime after March 1863 and vowed to never take up arms against the United States again. Then in May of 1864 he is shown on the Muster Report of his old unit as present and accounted for. Unfortunately he is once again captured, this time during the Battle of Atlanta July 22, 1864 by elements of General William Tecumseh Sherman's command. He was sent to Federal Military Prison in Louisville, KY before being sent to Camp Chase, Ohio in July of 1864. In March of 1865 he signed an Oath of Allegiance and was released. He returned home to Bedford, AR and lived another 47 years after the end of the Civil War.

Reportedly, 2 other brothers Samuel Terry & John Ingle are believed not to have served in any capacity with either the Union or Confederacy during the Civil War.

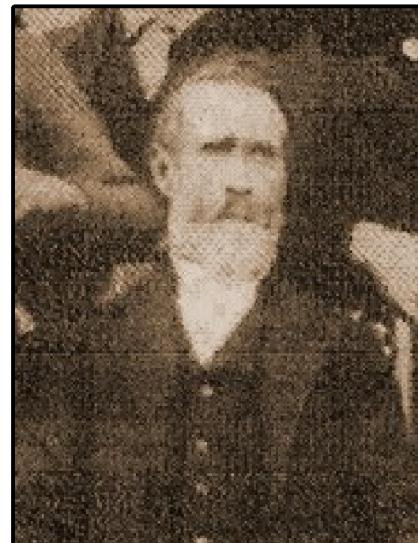
A sister to these boys was Parmelia Howard Farrar, she married her first cousin Joseph Howard Farrar and they are our Great-Great Grandparents. Her husband Joseph, son of Jordan Farrar was also a Civil War Veteran. Jordan & John Howard Farrar were brothers.



Junius Henry Farrar



41st Tennessee Infantry Flag



James Franklin Farrar

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The Farrar Family Tree

This tree will function alone or as a great companion to the Farrar Island books. A 3'x5' scroll, on white paper, in black ink, non-fading easily readable, begins three generations into England, over the ocean to Jamestown and our immigrant grandparents, William & Cecily, and then follows our particular line through each generation to the present. The Farrar Family Tree is \$25.00 per copy.

The Farrar's Island Books

The Farrar Family Reunion, Inc. is the source for the two volume set of books by Alvahn Holmes. The books cover our Farrar family history back to Jamestown and to England. Learn about our Farrar ancestor, William Farrar I. William received 2,000 acres of land including the 600 acre island known as Farrar's Island on the James River in Virginia for his sponsoring of 40 settlers to Jamestown Colony in the early 1600's...

Vol. I: The Farrar's Island Family

Vol. II: Some Farrar's Island Descendants

The books can now be ordered on eBay using your eBay or Paypal account, Vol. I \$45 Vol. II \$65 or as a set \$105 with shipping to be determined. If you choose not to use a credit account you can send an email to rfarrar@pacbell.net with your book request and shipping information and pay by check or money-order. In that case the cost of the books are: Vol. I \$40, Vol. II \$60 and the set \$95 plus shipping. More information on our website: www.1horizon.net/farrarbook. These prices are subject to change.

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Reunion Dues:

Each member of the Reunion is expected to pay annual dues to help defray expenses and keep the Reunion financially viable. Annual dues are levied as follows: 2nd/3rd Generation (40+ years old) - \$50; 2nd/3rd Gen. (<40 years old) - \$25. Any additional donation amounts are appreciated, as are contributions from anyone who cares to donate. Please send your dues to our Treasurer, your timeliness in doing so is greatly appreciated!

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