

Just One Appalachian Family **The Legacy of Lacy and Ina Pauley**

Lacy was born in Martin County, KY but grew up in Pike County, KY. Ina Pauley (Lowe) was born and raised in Pike County, KY where she and Lacy were wed and began a family.

They moved to the town of Beauty in Martin County, Ky. and raised their family there. Their love produced 10 children, 22 grandchildren, 15 great grandchildren, and 4 great-great grandchildren.

Lacy spent his career as a coal miner, a farmer, a sawmill operator, a powder man (using dynamite), peddler and loved telling stories.

Ina attended college and in addition to raising 10 children, loved to garden, taught school, then taught special education. All children were educated in the Martin county school system. Several of the children received college degrees and excelled in highly technical fields.

The accomplishments of their children indicate the values and commitment they learned as children in a family of limited means:

Earl Clayton spent 4 years in the US Air Force working with electronic communications and radar systems, worked as field test engineer in the Minute Man Missile Program, received a

Master's degree in education, taught college and revised the Virginia State safety manuals.

Paul Dean attended college and served 2 years in the US Army as a paratrooper and quartermaster. He had a long and distinguished career as a barber and hair stylist.

Donald Eugene (Don) studied electronics and earned degrees in Math and Physics and Master degrees in Physics and in Operations Research. He designed new radio stations, designed high tech communications and command control systems. He created critical components for missile warning systems and battlefield protection against friendly fire for the US military and foreign governments. Don is a member of MENSA International.

Lyda Ellen received a degree in education and taught school in Kentucky then finished her career as an Optician for 25 years.

Leon earned an Associate's degree in aircraft maintenance and served 22 years in the US Air Force. He attained the rank of SMSGT and managed Aerospace Ground Equipment repair facilities in support of military aircraft operations. In his second

career, he was shift manager supervising the maintenance and operation of mail processing equipment for the US Post Office.

Lacy Jr. served in the Kentucky National guard as communications specialist, received a degree in Physics and spent his career operating electrical power generating plants, obtaining an Senior Reactor Operator's license from the Nuclear Regulatory Commission. He was a plant Shift Manager, then later trained reactor operators, managers and engineers in nuclear plant operations. His nuclear career took him to Japan and the Ukraine for training assignments.

Henry Fountain (Hank) received a degree in Industrial Hygiene. After 14 years in the US Air Force, he was manager of the Industrial Hygiene department for two different electrical power companies then worked as industrial Hygienist for Amtrak railway system.

James Harvey (Jim) had a long and distinguished career as a barber and hair stylist. Jim loved to sing and regularly met with a small group of friends to entertain residents of assisted living and nursing homes.

Randolph (Randy) began his career in the banking

industry as loan officer for a finance company, then worked as loan officer for various banks, Assistant Vice President and Regional Auditor, Senior Vice President, and ending his career as bank President and CEO. He graduated from the Graduate School of Banking. He served as President of Grayson County Chamber of Commerce, Past Advisory Board Member of Elizabethtown Community & Technical College and Past Member of the American Institute of Banking Board of Governors of the Kentucky Chapter.

Pauline received a degree in accounting and spent her career auditing programs and operations for the US Department of Energy. She is also an accomplished artist.

Lacy and Ina were hard workers and fed their family primarily on farm products they raised. They taught their children the value of hard work, honesty and to be responsible. With limited income and many hard times, they taught their children that "you are no better than anyone else and no one is better than you". They inspired the children to try to get as much education as possible and do their very best in whatever they attempted.