



Hillcrest Baptist Church
Lebanon, Missouri

1991 Directory
of
Hillcrest Baptist Church

399 Hoover
Lebanon, Missouri 65536

Reverend Fred Bobe, Pastor
Church Telephone 532-6159

Schedule of Services

Sunday School.....9:45 AM
Morning Worship..... 10:50 AM
Church Training.....6:00 PM
Evening Worship.....7:00 PM
Wednesday Evening.....7:00 PM

HISTORY

HILLCREST BAPTIST CHURCH

Hillcrest Baptist Church began as a mission project sponsored by the First Baptist Church, Lebanon, Missouri. For several years the First Baptist Church realized its responsibility in starting some branch Sunday Schools in needy areas of the community numbering 8000 in population. Seemingly the obstacles were too great. But one day, under the leadership of the Holy Ghost, the encouragement of Pastor Bradley Allison, and the prodding of a guilty conscience, the Missions Committee went to work. A vacant house was rented in a needy field. Workers were enlisted and visitation started. Hillcrest Baptist Mission was under way on January 17, 1954 with 26 persons present. Officers and teachers were: Superintendent Cleacy Cozort; Associate Superintendent Lucille Cozort; Secretary-Treasurer Ray Mason; Teachers: Mr. and Mrs. Charles Barnes, Mr. Ray Mason, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Mason, and Miss Esther Barker.

Our first Sunday School was located in a four room house rented for \$22 a month. In April a two room house was rented for the smaller children. A Vacation Bible School was held beginning June 21 for ten days. Attendance was 70 with Lucille Cozort directing. A revival was held in August 1954 with Dr. Bradley Allison preaching, Russell O'Dell leading the singing and Rosemary Harrill Jackson playing the piano. Many were saved.

Sunday School attendance October 3, 1954 was 96. Training Union was begun this date with an attendance of 48. Esther Barker, directing.

The Mission was growing so rapidly that a lot on the corner of Hoover and Polk Streets was purchased at a cost of \$2,000 with the hopes that a building could soon be built. On October 1954 the Building Committee for Hillcrest Mission recommended the erection of a one story building, 62' x 32', with a flat roof. Approximate cost was to be \$5,000. It was to be constructed of concrete blocks and to be erected on the rear on the newly purchased lot. The building was completed in time for the presentation of the Christmas Program and the following Sunday, December 26, 1954 the Sunday School and Training Union were in their new home. We will always be grateful to the efforts of Fred Kelly and Virgil Stout. Wednesday night Prayer Meetings begun in January 1955. Sunday preaching services began in April 1955 with Charles Pratt as our Mission Pastor.

In April 1955 Sunbeams, Girls Auxiliary and Royal Ambassador classes were organized. A Women's Missionary Society had been active for some time.

A Building Fund was established October 11, 1956 as we were outgrowing our building. Rev. W. V. Williams, a pastor with a vision of growth, became our Pastor January 23, 1957. Our hope was to move from Mission status to a regular organized church. On March 7, 1957 First Baptist church received our petition request. Our property was deeded in our name and we were given assistance in negotiating a loan not to exceed \$10,000 for building purposes. Curtis Hull presented plans for building expansion. Two additional lots were purchased adjacent to the west side of the original property for the new pastorium to be built by King Hodges.

It was a joyous day for Hillcrest Baptist Mission of Lebanon, Missouri when the mission was organized into the Hillcrest Baptist Church April 14, 1957 with a roll call of 76 Charter Members. Our pastor was W. V. Williams. Trustees were: Cleacy Cozort, Curtis Hull, Gilbert Vernon. Deacons were August Thomas and Rollins DeGraffenreid. Church Clerk was Ruth White and Treasurer was Charles Barnes.

In August 1957, two additional stories were added to the basement church and a three bedroom parsonage was completed. In September we applied and were accepted in the Laclede County Association.

February 9, 1961 the church was incorporated.

The church continued to grow until a new auditorium was needed. Ground breaking services were held August 30, 1964. Construction began under direction of Pastor Elmo Terry with most of the work being donated. The bricks were laid by Wayne Showler, Victor Smith and Jack Stickler. In January 1965 a wild game supper was held after clearing out rubbish caused by building. This gave visitors a chance to see the size of the building.

On April 11, 1965 the new baptistry was used for the first time with 11 persons being baptized. The baptistry was built in one piece by Jim Dinsmore in his shop. April 14, 1965 the Johnson property was purchased with the house to be remodeled into a parsonage. Our other parsonage was to be sold.

Our Deaf Ministry of "Silent Friends" began in April 1965 with Mrs. Victor Smith and Mrs. Cleacy Cozort directing.

Between 1967 and 1973 while Jack Clark was pastoring, an educational building was added on the north end of our building and other remodeling to give additional class rooms, nursery, kitchen and office space.

During our ministry we have had four young men surrender to preach, all being licensed and ordained: Clifton Adkins, Bobby Reid, Charles Cross and Fred Bobe.

In 1981 our Pastor, Bro. Lee Miller and wife Deb Miller were accepted for commissioning by the Foreign Mission Board and left us to serve in Guyana, South America. They, with their children Scott and Leigh Ann, left the United States in June 1982.

Our ministry extended further as we added another staff position of Minister of Music/Youth in 1982.

We have been active in our State Programs of RA Congress with two of our young men holding state offices. Several of our children have received state honors in Bible Drill.

On September 7, 1986 we celebrated in a special service, the burning of our note. This symbolized that our debt in the amount of \$93,000 had been paid in full.

In 1987 under the leadership of our pastor Bro. Fred Bobe, we remodeled the entire church plant to make better use of the room for our now 460 resident members.

In March 1989 we established a Building Survey committee to look into the feasibility of a new auditorium, paving our parking lot and remodeling the present auditorium into a fellowship hall.

In October 1989 the church voted to buy the property adjoining the church on the east side.

On September 30, 1990 we ordained five new deacons: Paul Dudley, Ben Foltz, Tom Gottman, Terry Moots and John Stewart.

Much prayer and hard work has gone into our ministry and we look forward to days ahead of how our Lord is going to bless and how lives will continue to be changed for His glory.

MISSION PASTORS

Rev. Charles Pratt

Rev. Fred Drake

SUPPLY PASTORS

Rev. Larry Allison

Rev. Ronnie Walstrom

PASTORS FROM APRIL 14, 1957 TO PRESENT

Rev. W. V. Williams

Jan. 23, 1957 to Mar. 24, 1963

Rev. Elmo Terry

Aug. 20, 1963 to Aug. 29, 1965

Feb. 11, 1966 to Mar. 19, 1967

Rev. Jack Clark

Apr. 8, 1967 to Aug. 27, 1973

Rev. Bill Fetters

Dec. 23, 1973 to Mar. 23, 1977

Rev. Frank Noel

May 24, 1977 to Jan. 6, 1979

Rev. Lee Miller

Aug. 8, 1979 to Dec. 16, 1981

Rev. Charles Tyson

Aug. 22, 1982 to Apr. 15, 1984

Rev. Fred Bobe

Sept. 9, 1984 to Present

MINISTERS OF MUSIC/YOUTH

Bill Maxon

Jan. 16, 1983 to Jan. 20, 1985

Gary Pace

June 9, 1985 to Present



Rev. Fred Bobe
Pastor

PASTORAL STAFF

Praise the Lord for the past six years of continuous growth at Hillcrest Baptist Church.

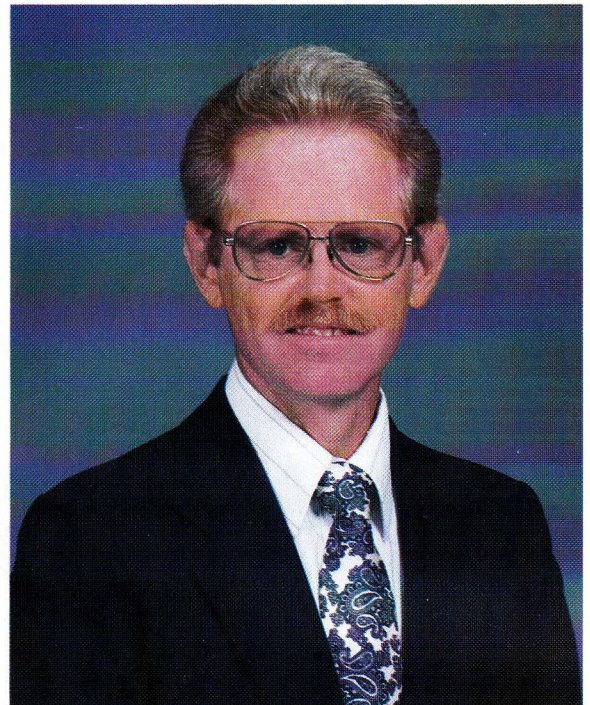
Let us enter into the future with the full understanding that the limits of our potential is equal to the power of God times our spiritual vision. The secret to the success of our church is in spiritual, not physical talents and spiritual, not physical abilities.

Please join me in praise to our Heavenly Father.

It is such a joy to serve as your Minister of Music and Youth. God is really blessing our church in these areas.

We are seeing growth in all five choirs as well as our Youth Department. My prayer is that there is growth spiritually and not just in numbers.

I look forward to all God has in store for us in all the days that lie ahead.



Gary Pace
Minister of Music & Youth

STAFF

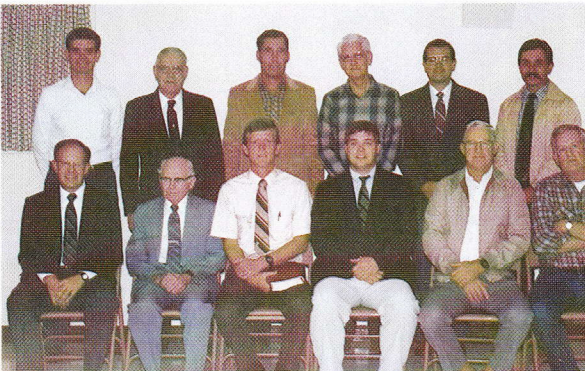


SECRETARY
Gerry Hoke

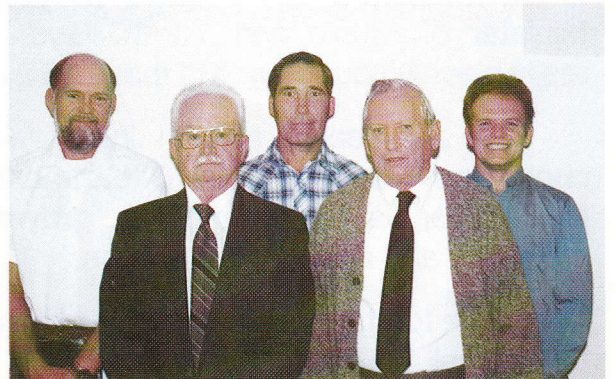


CUSTODIAN
Larry Nutter

LEADERSHIP

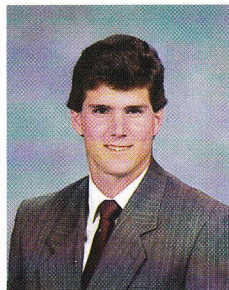


DEACONS- T. Moots, H. Gresham,
T. Gottman, P. Dudley, L. Jones,
B. Cates, D. Morrow, R. Palmer,
R. D. Brown, G. Vernon, J. Stewart,
B. Foltz



TRUSTEES- J. Hamm, J. Adams,
T. Owens, R. D. Brown, D. Jemes

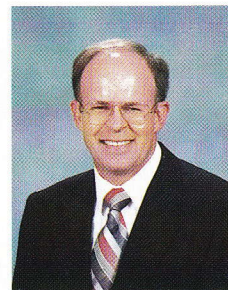
OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS



SUNDAY SCHOOL
Jeff Hall



CHURCH TRAINING
John Stewart



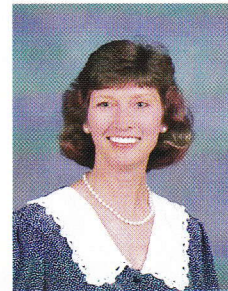
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Terry Moots



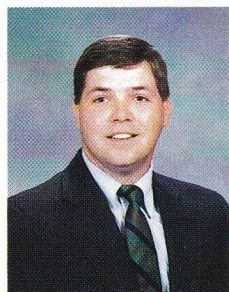
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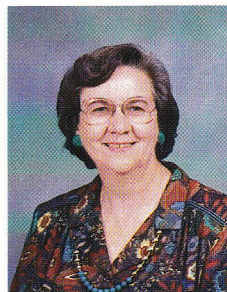
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HISTORIAN
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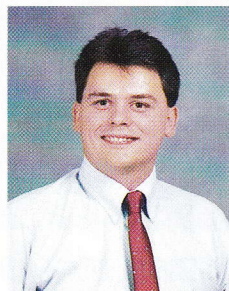
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Paul Dudley



WMU
Wilma Hamm



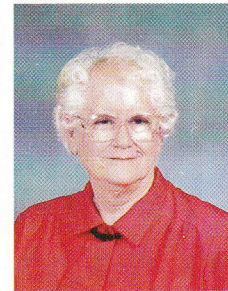
VBS
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CHILDREN'S CH.
Johnny Vaughn



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Kelly Vaughn

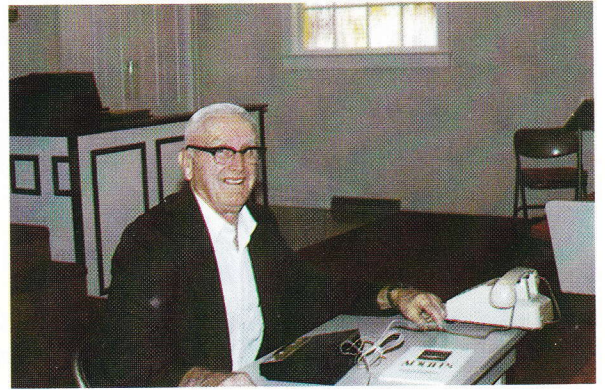


CHILDREN'S CH.
Ruth Collier

SPECIAL MINISTRIES



DEAF-Geneva Smith, Director
Jerry McGuire, Assistant



CONFERENCE
Victor Smith



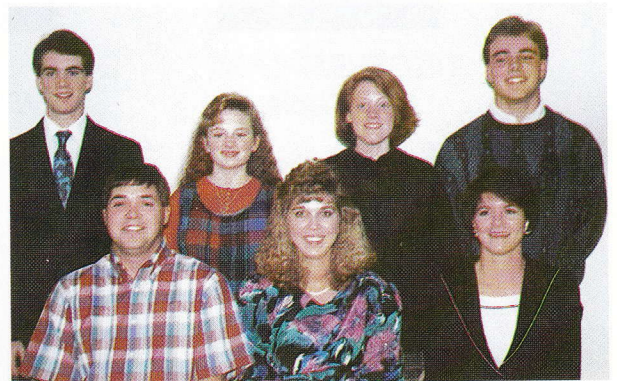
BUS-Bob Cates, Juanita Nutter,
Johnny Vaughn, Bob Payne,
Leonard Jones & Terry Moots



RADIO
Butch Hoke

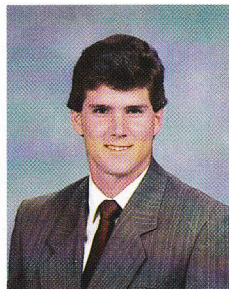


SINGLES
Stephen Hubbell & Joyce Butts



YOUTH DEVELOPMENT
P. Dudley, N. Jemes, M. Rippy, M. Pace,
C. Saunders, K. Pace & J. Hoke

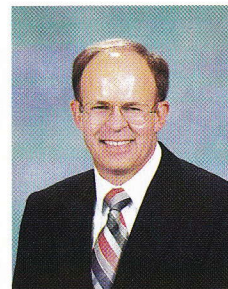
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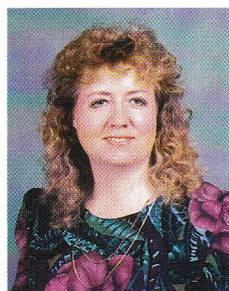
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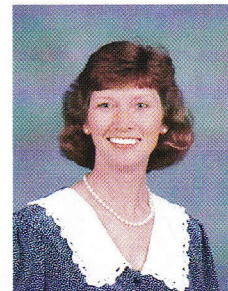
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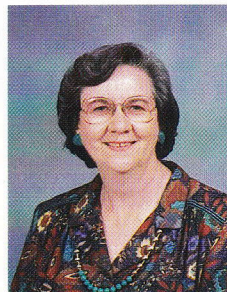
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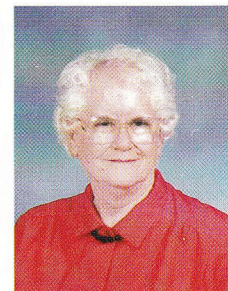
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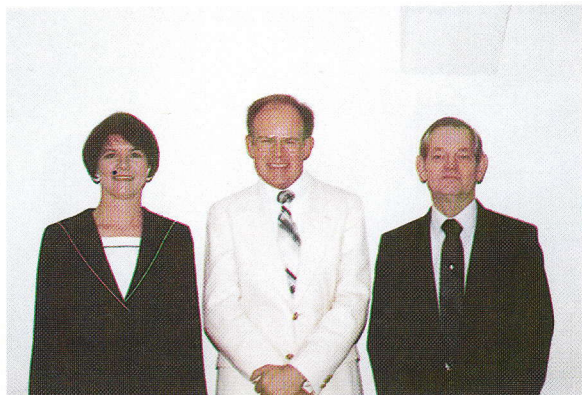


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Kelly Vaughn



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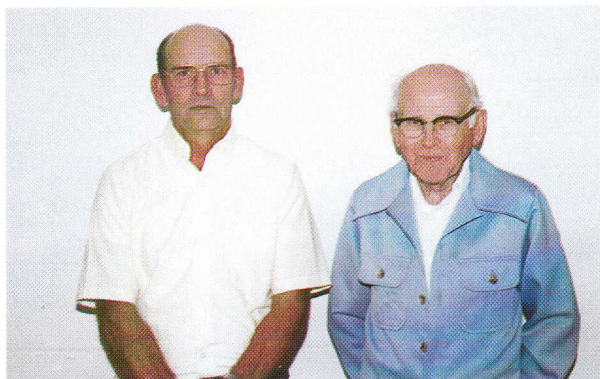
SUPPORT COMMITTEES



FINANCE
Mary Rippy, Terry Moots, Bob Daniels



MUSIC
Johnny Vaughn, Ruth Collier,
Angie Gottman & Gerry Hoke



EXECUTIVE BOARD
Chester Agee, Herman Gresham



NURSERY
Sonya Hall & Natalie Jemes



KITCHEN
Hazel Caudle, Lou Cates,
Bonnie Agee



FLOWER
Florence Clark
Bethel Howe & Alma Stickler

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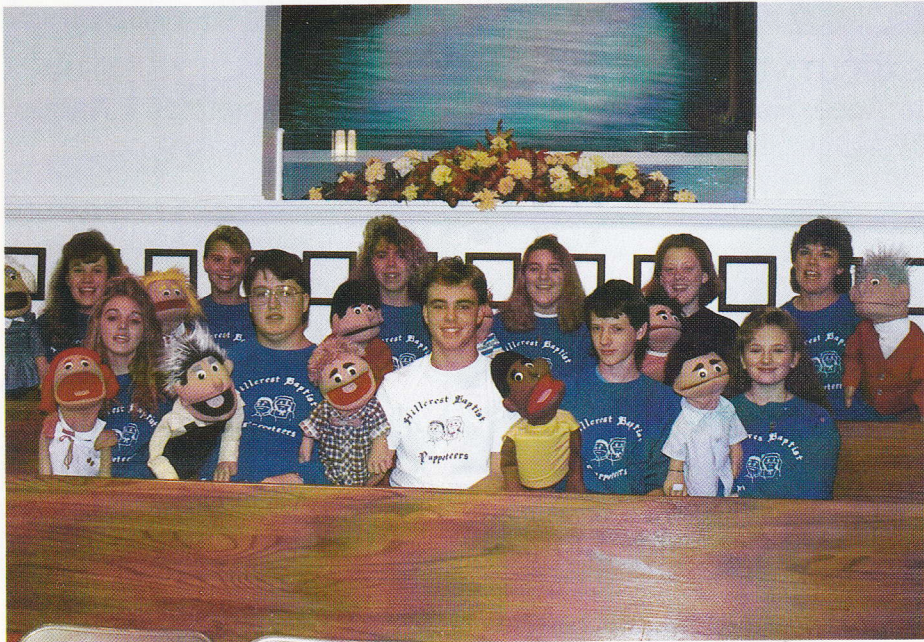


BENEVOLENT
Ina Harrill & Alma Stickler



MEMORIAL
Ruth Cook, Glandean Branstetter
Kay Cruz

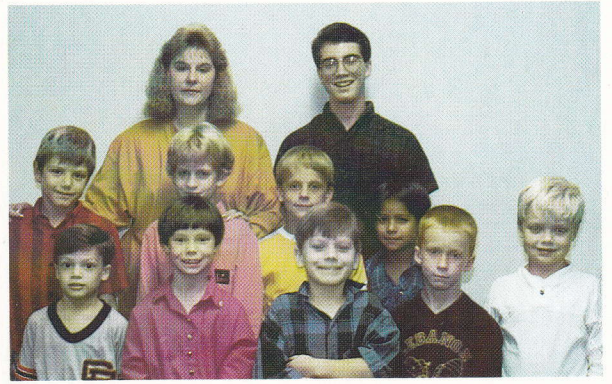
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MUSIC MINISTRY



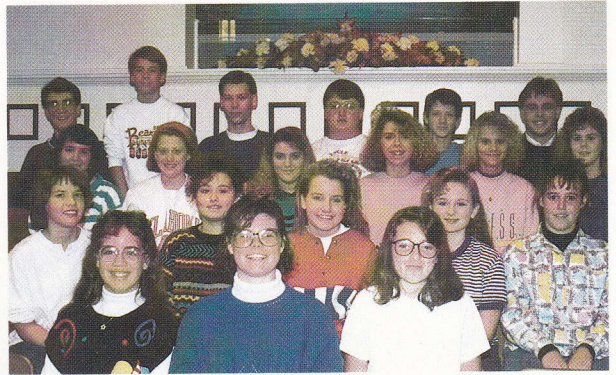
PRE-SCHOOL CHOIR



MUSIC MAKERS
Grades 1-3



YOUNG MUSICIANS
Grades 4-6



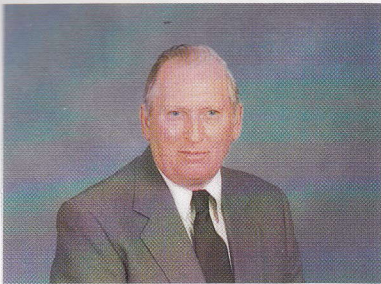
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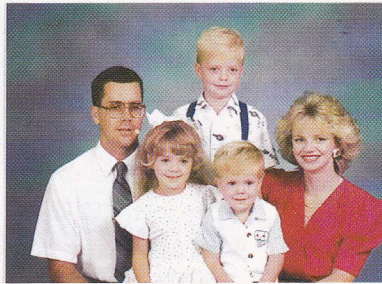
ADULT CHOIR



ACCOMPANISTS
Melba Jones, Gerry Hoke
Julie Coppedge, Michael Pace & Gretchen Brown



James Adams



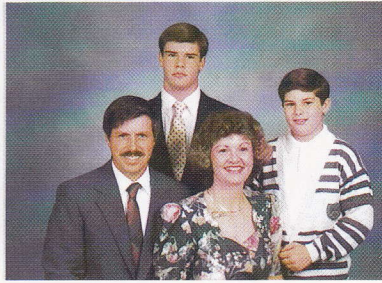
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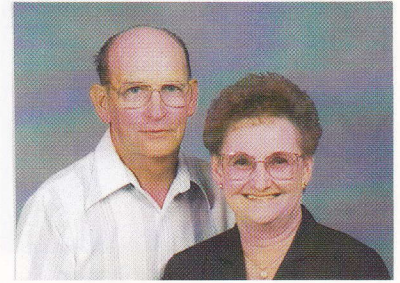
Lucille Agan



Paul & Mary Agan



**Roger & Marcia Agan,
Jeffrey & Timothy**



Chester & Bonnie Agee



Glenn & Marie Akers



C. W. & Florene Alexander



Helen Allee



Betty Allen



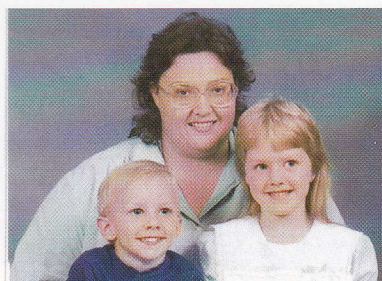
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Brett & Brooke**



Esther Barker



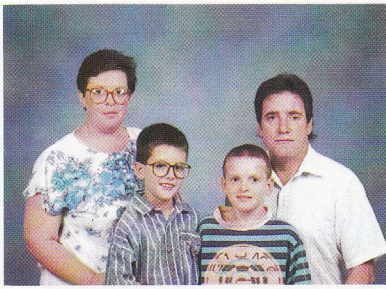
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& Lacy Lane**



**Leslie Blackburn,
Carissa & Justin**



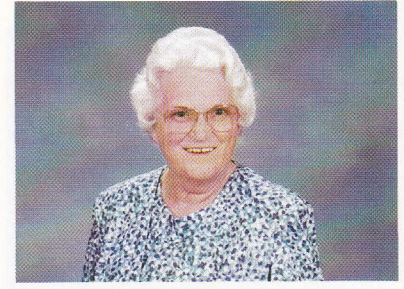
Fred & Carolyn Bobe



**Donnie & Linda Bogan,
Jake & Josh**



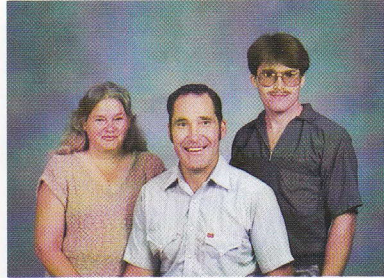
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Glandean Branstetter



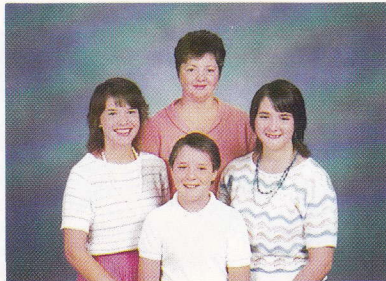
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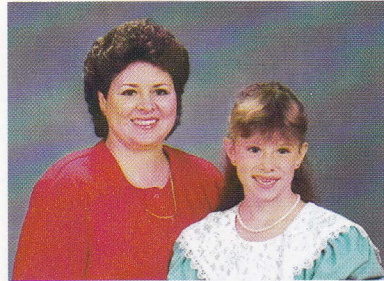
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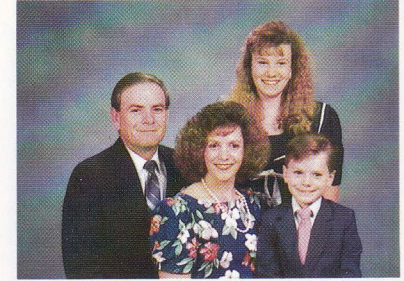
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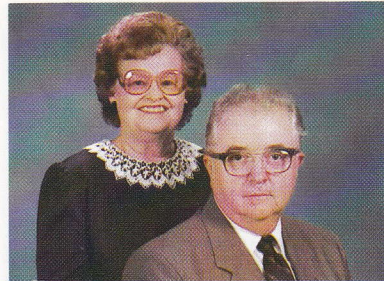
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**Gary & Rita Bryant,
Michelle & John**



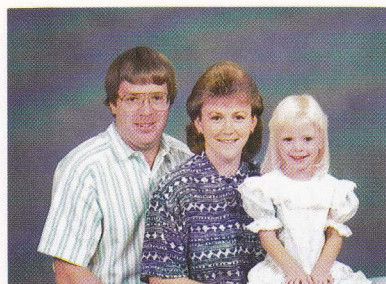
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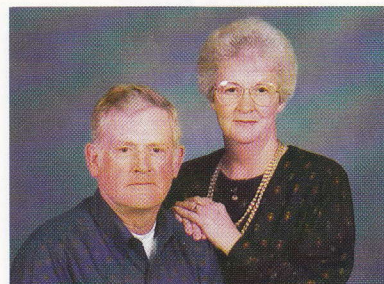
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Susan Capps



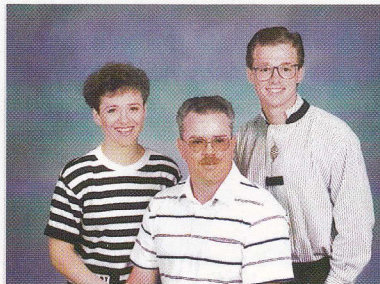
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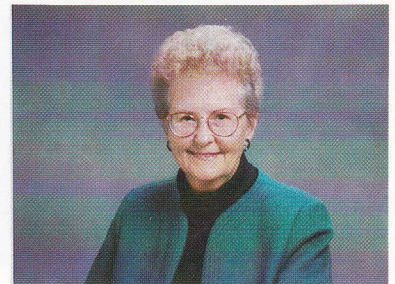
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Vernon & Hazel Caudle



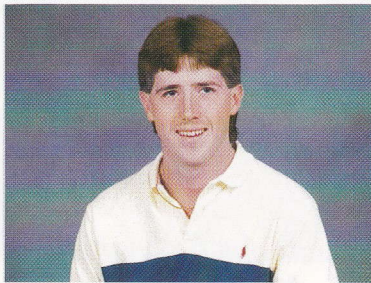
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& Jeremy



Florence Clark



Ruth Collier



Eddie Cook



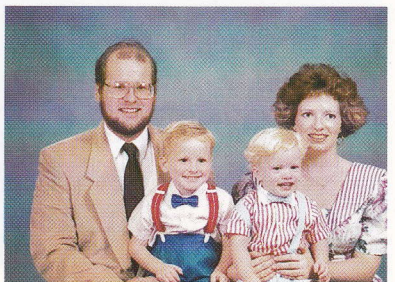
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Ruth Cook



Donald & Shelly Copling
& Trenton



Jeff & Julie Coppedge,
Shane & Dustin



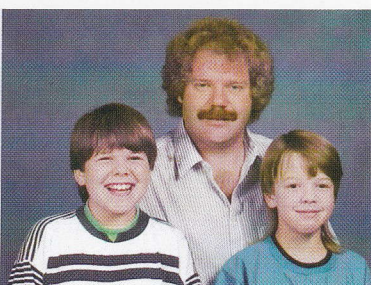
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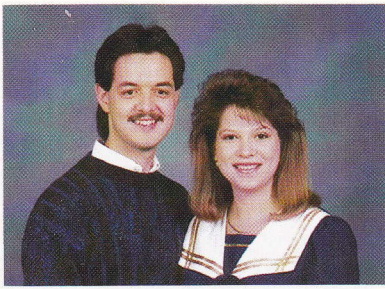
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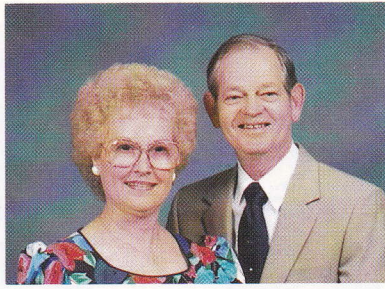
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Michael & Johnny



Al & Kay Cruz



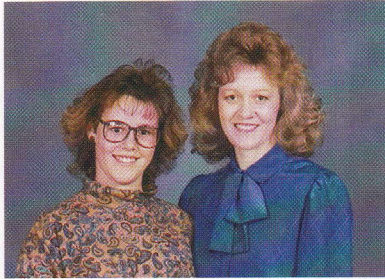
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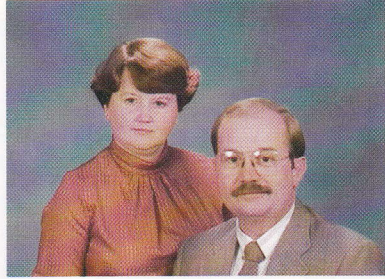
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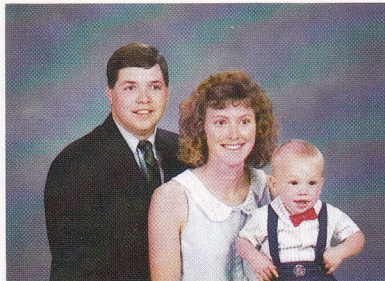
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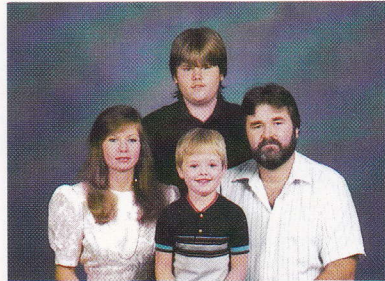
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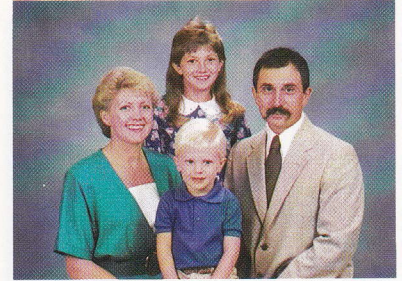
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& Cerissa



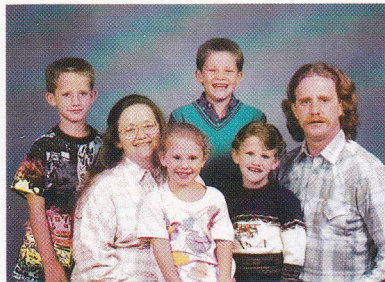
Paul & Mary Dudley
& Caleb



Danny & Brenda Ellis,
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Ben & Cheryl Foltz,
Jennifer & Jordan



John & Becky Fraley,
Jon, Charles, Shaun & Vila



Evelyn Franklin
& Steven



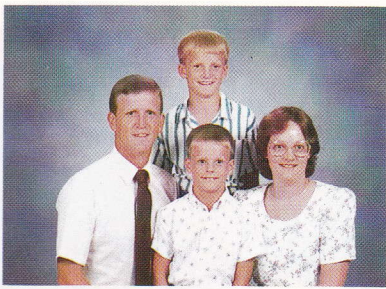
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James & Pam Gage



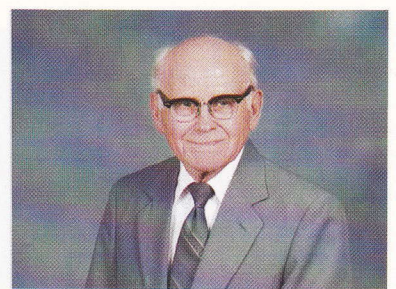
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Joshua & Jared



Mae Green



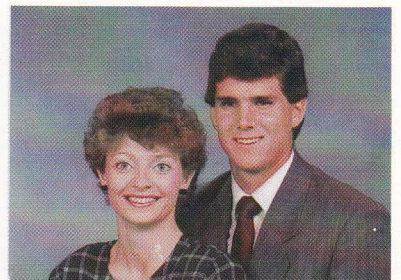
Herman Gresham



Laura Griffin



Bonnie Hageman



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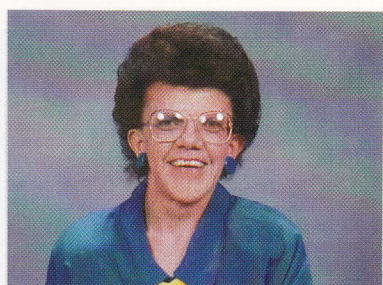
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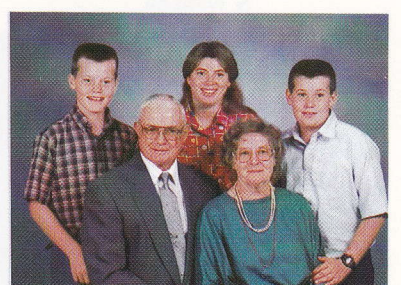
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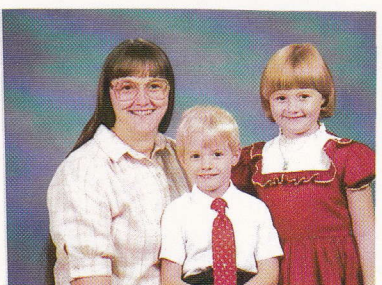
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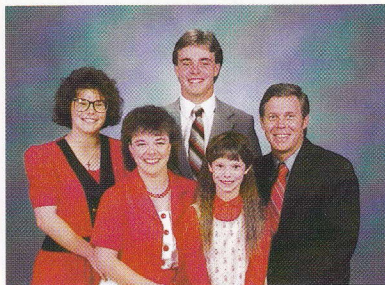
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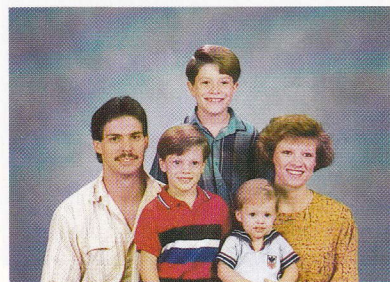
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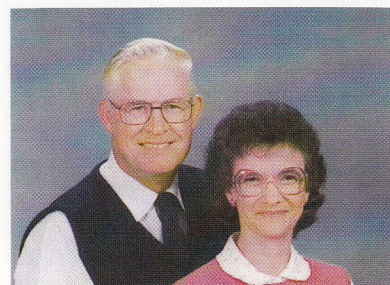
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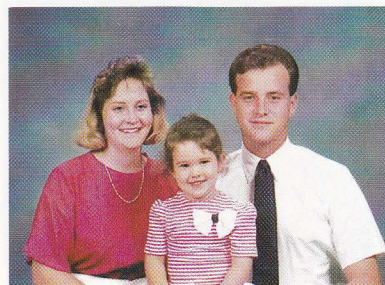
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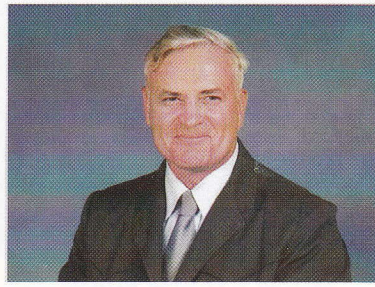
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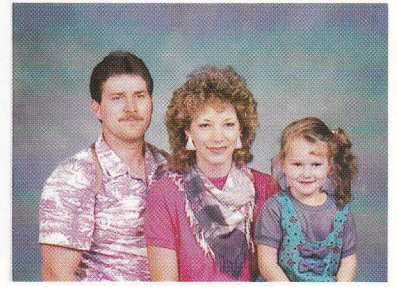
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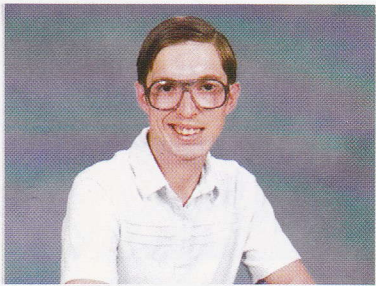
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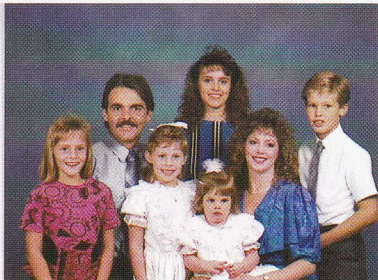
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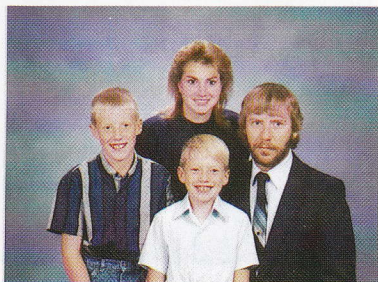
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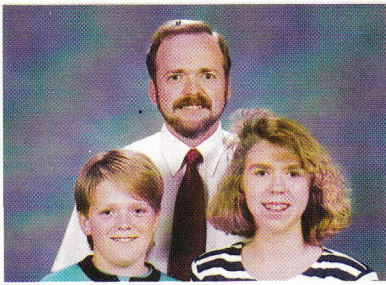
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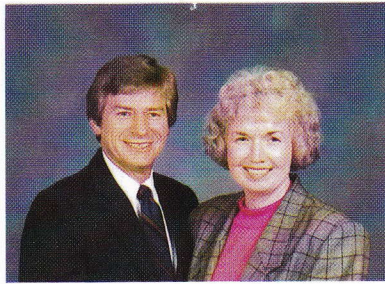
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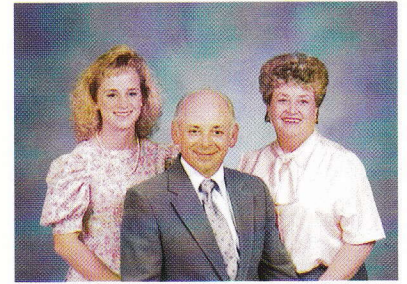
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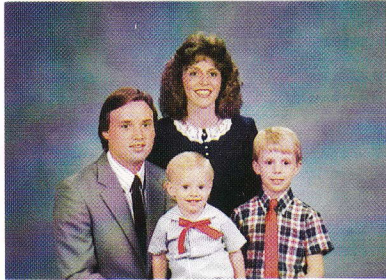
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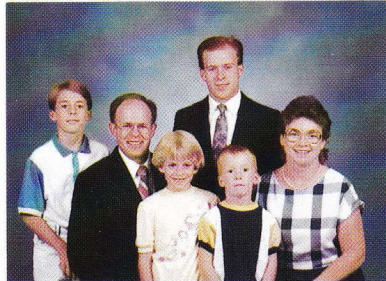
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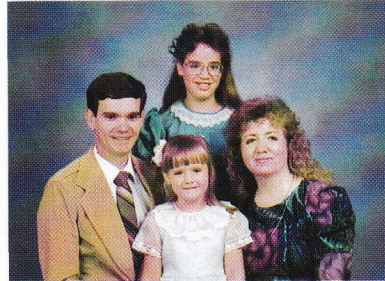
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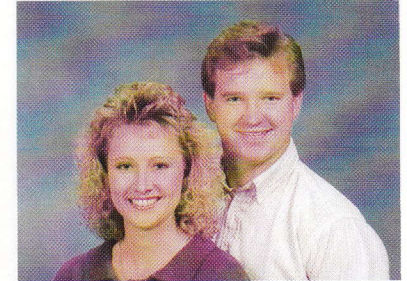
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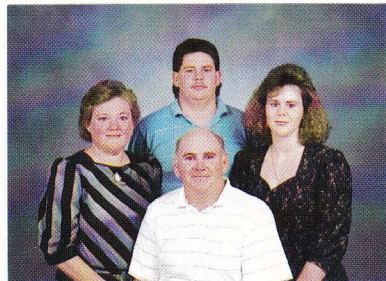
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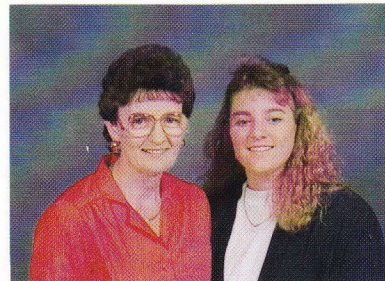
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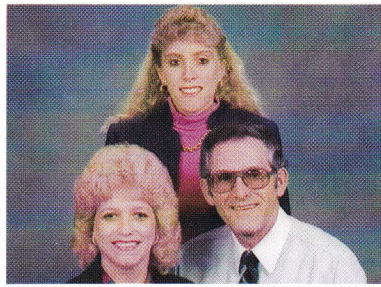
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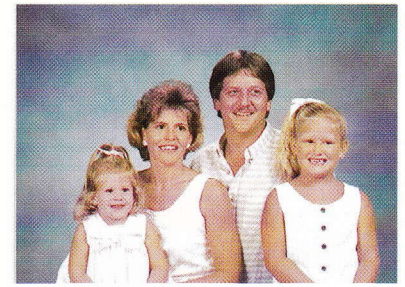
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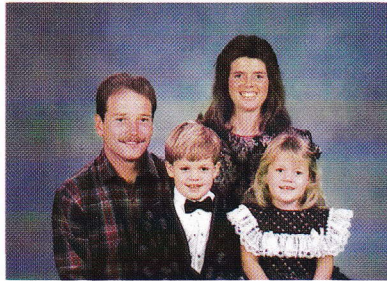
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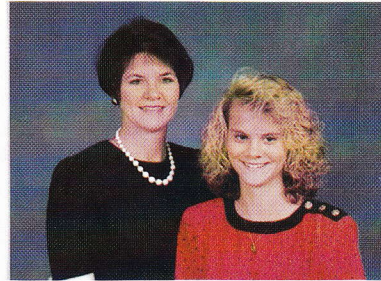
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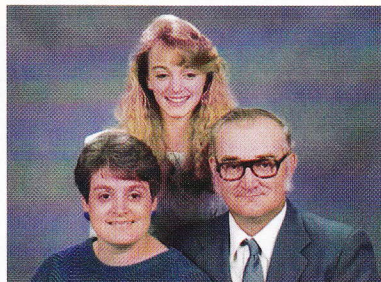
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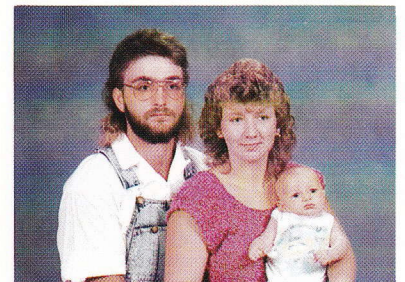
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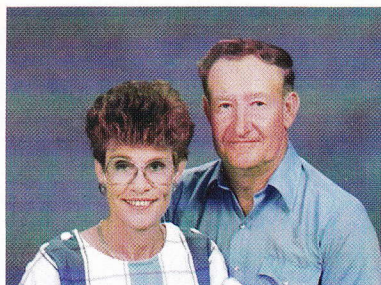
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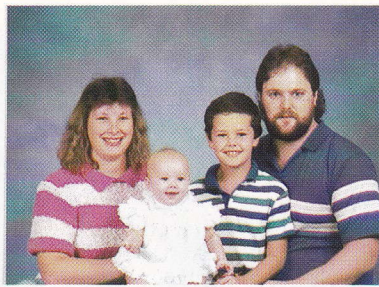
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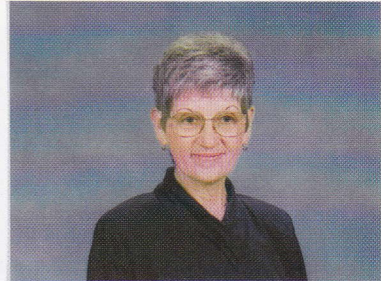
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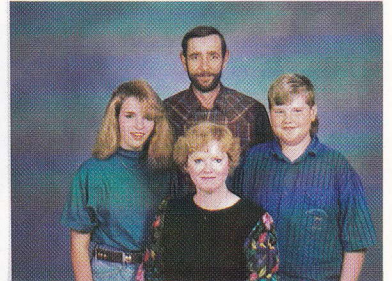
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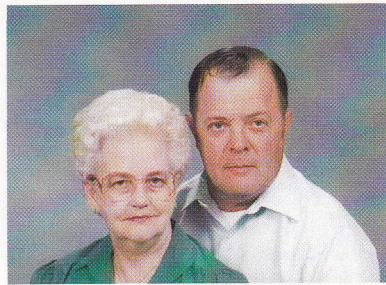
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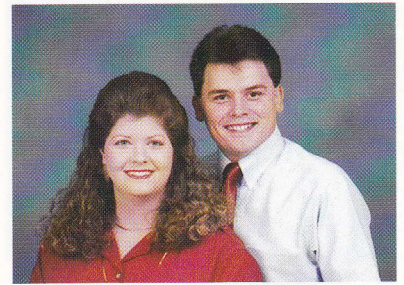
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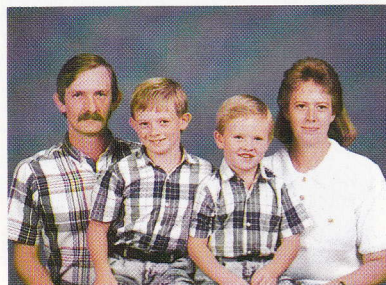
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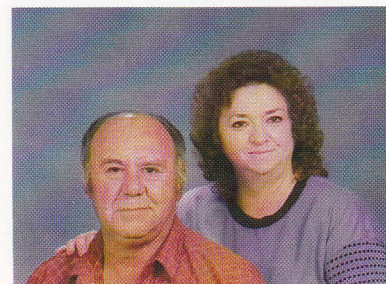
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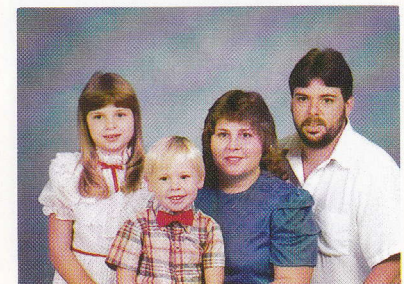
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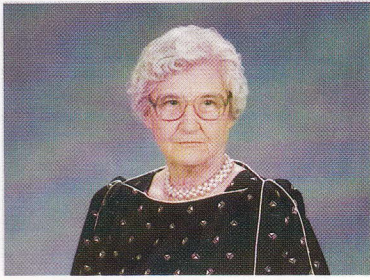
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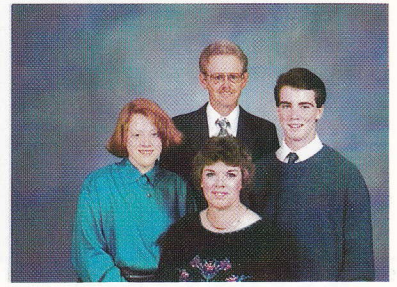
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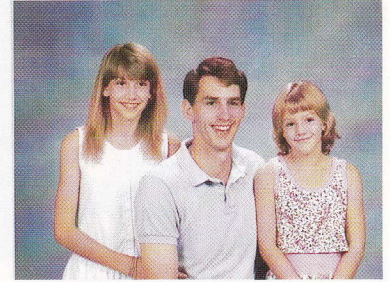
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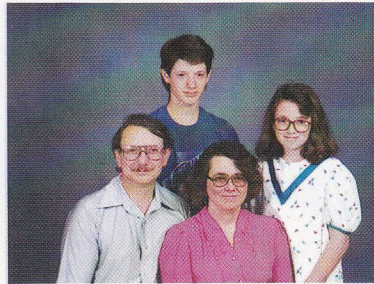
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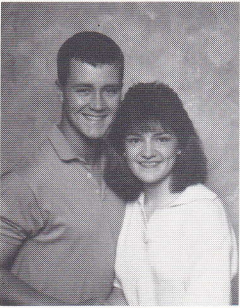


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