

Thirty-Fifth Annual Reunion

Kolb - Kulp - Culp Family

East Greenville Park

Sunday, September 9th, 1962



MONUMENT

to the memory of

DILMAN KULP, 1807-1882

His wife

CHRISTINA KULP, 1802-1875

A daughter

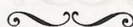
ELIZABETH E. BALL 1848-1885

In the Cemetery of the
Line Lexington Mennonite
Meeting House.

Dilman Kulp was a successful businessman from Hatfield where he operated a saw mill and dealt in feed. A grandson D. L. O. Kulp also conducted a grocery business in Hatfield and did printing.



"Time was — is past and we cannot that recall
Time future — is not and that may never be;
Time present — is ours to live the best today."



Officers — 1962

President — Clarence Kulp, Jr., Vernfield, Pa.

1st Vice President — Linneus D. Kulp, Lederach, Pa.

2nd Vice President — John B. Kulp, Eureka, Pa.

Secretary — Dorothy Kulp, Eureka, Pa.

Treasurer — Robert A. Kulp, Telford, Pa.

Program

2:30 O'clock Daylight Time

Call to Order

Invocation Rev. Jacob C. Clemens, Lansdale, Pa.
Greetings President, Clarence Kulp, Jr.
"Reunion Day Song" By the Assembly
Directed by Rev. Jesse K. Hoffman
Skippack Church of the Brethren

Appointing a Nominating Committee

Two Vocal Selections Mixed Quartette
Olivet Presbyterian Church, Elkins Park, Pa.

Report of the History Committee Mr. A. Moyer Kulp, Norristown, Pa.

Two Instrumental Selections Old Timers String Band, Boyertown, Pa.

Report of the Nominating Committee

Election of Officers

Offering — During which time, the String Band will render two selections.

Tribute to those deceased Bishop Elmer G. Kolb, Pottstown, Pa.
After which all arise and standing for
a minute of silence to the memory of the departed.

Two Vocal Selections Mixed Quartette

Historical Address

The Dielman Kolb Homestead, Mr. Robert C. Bucher, Schwenksville, R. D. 1, Pa.

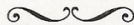
Appointing a 1963 Program Committee.

Address Rev. Ira D. Landis, Bareville, Pa.

Awarding of prizes President, Clarence Kulp, Jr.

Hymn — "Sun of My Soul" By the Assembly

Prayer and Benediction Rev. Joseph N. Cassel,
Skippack Church of the Brethren



1962 PROGRAM COMMITTEE

Clarence Kulp, Jr.

Linneaus D. Kulp, Jr.

John B. Kulp

Robert A. Kulp

Norman L. Kulp

Homer C. Kulp

Dorothy Kulp

A. Moyer Kulp

William F. Kulp

Herbert F. Steltz

Abram C. Hunsicker

Warren K. Schlotterer



ABRAM M. KULP

1889 - 1954

**Officially connected with the
Kolb - Kulp - Culp Family Association**

1925 - 1928

Abram M. Kulp, son of Rev. Isaac C. Kulp and his wife Lizzie Stauffer Metz Kulp, was born December 9, 1889, in Towamencin Township, Pennsylvania.

He started school at the age of five and one-half years in the one room "Frys" school building that opened in 1885. In 1904, he was eligible for graduation, but induced by his parents to repeat the last year courses, he was graduated with a high average in 1905, Valedictorian of his class.

The ambition of Mr. Kulp was to become a lawyer, but his father, of the Mennonite faith, preferred him to become a farmer.

His parents induced him to again take a post-graduate course at the same school, so that he repeated the same course for a third time.

In 1906, Mr. Kulp attended Perkiomen Seminary (now Perkiomen School) where he was a student for a year. There he became eligible to take the examinations for those desiring to become would-be teachers. Passing this examination, later given by County Supt. of Schools, J. Horace Landis, Mr. Kulp received a Provisional Certificate to teach.

In 1907, he obtained a position in the one room school building known as "Sunny Hall" in Towamencin Township, at a salary of \$40.00 a month, a seven month term, grades one to eight. During the summer he took courses at Perkiomen School and helped his parents on the farm.

Again in 1908 he resumed his teaching career, when he was asked to transfer to the Kulpsville School because of disciplinarian qualifications required there. For two years he taught there, grades five to eight.

In 1911, he resumed his study at Perkiomen School, graduated in 1912, and passed the Princeton College entrance examinations. He again took up his teaching position as Principal of Kulpsville School until 1914. In the meantime, he studied at nights and Saturdays at Temple University, Ursinus College and Columbia University, N. Y.

Mr. Kulp became principal of the Hatfield Borough Schools in 1914 and taught in its two year high school.

Through his sincere effort and successful years in the profession for which he proved to be capably inclined, he was looked upon with favor by County Supt. Landis. When Miss Caroline Niblo, an assistant to Supt. Landis, resigned because of illness in 1919, he appointed Abram M. Kulp to fill that position. He was one of two assistants until February 1924, when Supt. Landis died. Mr. Kulp was appointed to fill the unexpired term, and later elected to the office of County School head. Professor A. M. Kulp, as he later became known, held the position of Montgomery County Supt. of Schools for a period of thirty years until his death, December 27, 1954.

He was held in high regard and greatly respected by his many friends and educational associates.

On November 16, 1955, a large portrait of Prof. Kulp was presented to his successor, Mr. Gerald A. Hottenstein, for Montg. Co., by the School Directors Association as a memorial and tribute to a man who served the county long and well in the field of education. The presentation was made by Mr. Robert H. Hildebrand, President of the Worcester School Board and accepted by Mrs. C. Robert Smith, daughter of Prof. and Mrs. Abram M. Kulp. The portrait was placed in the office of the Supt. of Schools in the Court House in Norristown.

Prof. Kulp held B.S. and M.A. degrees from the University of Pennsylvania and prior to his illness and death had almost completed his thesis relative to a Doctorate degree he also desired to attain.

He was a member of the National Education Association, American Association of School Administrators, served on the Board of Directors of West Chester State Teachers College, member of Shiloh Lodge No. 558, F. and A.M., Lansdale, a 32nd degree Mason with membership in the Lehigh Consistory of Allentown, a member of the Sons of the American Revolution, Valley Forge Chapter, and a member of the German Reformed Church, St. John's United Church of Christ, Lansdale, Pa.

He is buried at Whitemarsh Memorial Park.



CLAUDE K. KULP

1894 - 1960

Secretary of the

Kolb - Kulp - Culp Family Association

1935 - 1938

President 1939 - 1940

Claude K. Kulp, son of Isaac F. Kulp and his wife Sallie K. Kulp, of Graterford, was born May 14, 1894.

He entered the Public Schools of Perkiomen Township and was a graduate with the Class of 1910. Later he attended Ursinus College for two years.

In 1914, he became an employee of the Reading Railroad Company as station agent. He served in that capacity at numerous places, including Chapman, Salford, Zieglersville, Graterford, Palm, Perkiomenville, Green Lane, Schwenksville, Collegetville, and lastly at Royersford.

He was a public minded citizen, and through the years received numerous honors for his contributions of time and effort to the interest of various civic, community, and religious organizations in the Perkiomen Valley. In 1951 he was presented the Outstanding Citizen Award of the Year by the Central Perkiomen Rotary Club, of which he was a member for many years, a past president, its chaplain, and held the only perfect attendance record of the club.

He was a member and served as secretary of the Lower Frederick - Schwenksville - Perkiomen Joint Consolidated School Board for a period of twenty-four years. When the new elementary school building was erected in 1955, the joint Board of Education, by unanimous vote, paid him a lasting tribute for his faithful service and named the new structure in his honor, "The Claude K. Kulp Building".

In 1954, he was elected to the office of vice-president of the Schwenksville Building & Loan Association and held same until his death.

He was also chairman and an active member of the troop committee of the Schwenksville Boy Scouts, a dependable and faithful member of the Schwenksville Service Committee, and for many years an official weather observer in the Central Perkiomen area for the Department of Forests and Waters in Harrisburg and the United States Weather Bureau.

Mr. Kulp was a biblical scholar, a member of Jerusalem Lutheran Church, Schwenksville, Sunday School teacher, and numerous time filled the pulpit as lay preacher in his own and other churches.

In 1919 he married the former Alice Fisher, and established his home in Graterford. His wife died 16 years later. He remarried in 1938 to the former Mrs. Rosa Whitman Buckley, of Norristown.

Mr. Kulp died suddenly May 24, 1960, while attending the Lutheran Ministerium Conference at Buck Hill Falls Inn, as a delegate from his church.

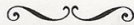
He is buried in the Schwenksville Cemetery.

OUR GUEST SPEAKER . . . AND ENTERTAINERS

We welcome to our gathering today, the Rev. Ira D. Landis, pastor of the Landis Valley Mennonite Church, Bareville, Pa. Rev. Landis is known as the editor of the Mennonite Research Journal, Lancaster, Pa. He is also President of the Mennonite Historical Society and a member of the Historical Commission of the Mennonite Church in America.

Again, we are pleased to welcome back, the string band of Boyertown. These musicians served us before and their selections provide an enjoyable asset to the reunion program.

We are grateful to all that from year to year serve in any way making these programs possible; the speakers and the musical talent whether instrumental or vocal; all are so much appreciated.



Reunion Day Song

Tune—"Is This the Crowning Day?"

1.

Happy-reunion day,
Glad day! Glad day!
God's own redeeming love
Sheds radiant light from above
In welcome to all today.

CHORUS

Glad day! Glad day!
This is reunion day;
Our ancestors came to this free land,
For truth and right they deigned to stand;
Glad day! Glad day!
This is reunion day.

2.

Friendly-reunion day,
Glad day! Glad day!
As we together meet;
Friendship and fellowship sweet
Are mingled with love today.

— Chorus —

3.

Glorious-reunion day!
Glad day! Glad day!
May we the past review;
Ancestors loyal and true,
Their mem-ries live on today.

— Chorus —

4.

Sacred-reunion day,
Glad day! Glad day!
May the "Kulp" family live;
Honor and praise e'er to give
To "Him" who reigns on for aye.

— Chorus —

Arranged by W. K. Schlotterer, 1938

Reunion Day Hymn

"Sun of My Soul"

Sun of my Soul! Thou Savior dear,
It is not night if Thou be near;
Oh, may no earth-born cloud arise
To hide Thee from Thy servant's eyes.

When the soft dews of kindly sleep
My weary eye-lids gently steep;
Be my last thought how sweet to rest
Forever on my Savior's breast.

Abide with me from morn till eve,
For without Thee I cannot live;
Abide with me when night is nigh,
For without Thee I dare not die.

Be near to bless me when I wake,
Ere through the world my way I take;
Abide with me till in Thy love
I lose myself in heaven above.

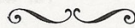
Those desiring coming early can bring their lunch. Tables are available in the park. Refreshments can also be procured.

In Memoriam

Names Submitted to the Association

NAME AND ADDRESS	DIED	AGE
Elmer H. Kulp, Kansas City, Mo.	September 19, 1960	77 years
John Bergey, Lederach, Pa.	May 16, 1961	81 years
Katie F. Kulp, Kulpsville, Pa.	July 29, 1961	82 years
Barbara R. Cassel, Hatfield, Pa.	August 26, 1961	75 years
Iva C. Allebach, Lansdale, Pa.	September 6, 1961	66 years
Brook S. Kolb, Boyertown, Pa.	October 1, 1961	88 years
Russell P. Kolb, Philadelphia, Pa.	October 13, 1961	57 years
Ida L. Myers, Decatur, Georgia	October 25, 1961	76 years
Gertrude S. Shoemaker, Trappe, Pa.	October 30, 1961	60 years
William F. Latshaw, New Hanover Twp., Pa.	November 3, 1961	76 years
George H. Kulp, Audubon, Pa.	November 11, 1961	45 years
Raymond R. Kulp, Quakertown, Pa.	November 13, 1961	39 years
Mildred H. Moyer, Souderton, Pa.	November 26, 1961	42 years
Abram S. Kulp, Norristown, Pa.	November 29, 1961	71 years
Elizabeth A. Kulp, Pottstown, R. D. 20, Pa.	December 10, 1961	77 years
Mamie G. Freed, Salfordville, Pa.	December 11, 1961	69 years
Elizabeth K. Rambo, Trooper, Pa.	December 12, 1961	55 years
Earl G. Hampton, Norristown, Pa.	December 27, 1961	
David D. Kulp, Douglasville, R. D. 1, Pa.	January 13, 1962	64 years
Ernest K. Tapner, Maple Glen, Pa.	January 16, 1962	54 years
Charles H. Taggart, Norristown, Pa.	January 21, 1962	70 years
Florence K. Bergey, Perkasio, Pa.	January 21, 1962	64 years
E. Ray Kulp, Pottstown, Pa.	January 27, 1962	72 years
James H. Harley, Norristown, Pa.	March 11, 1962	74 years
Henry K. Garges, Sellersville, R. D. 2, Pa.	April 2, 1962	87 years
*Floyd B. Kulp, Lansdale, Pa.	April 25, 1962	67 years
Howard Z. Kulp, Souderton, Pa.	May 14, 1962	78 years
William A. Solliday	May 17, 1962	64 years
Marion I. Kulp, Pottstown, Pa.	May 20, 1962	54 years
Nellie M. Kulp, Shenkel, Pa.	June 17, 1962	69 years
Esther S. Kulp, Dublin, Pa.	July 13, 1962	77 years
Lena C. Hunsicker, Collegeville, Pa.	July 19, 1962	78 years
Elmer B. Kulp, Red Hill, Pa.	August 4, 1962	86 years

*Reunion Day Song Director



"Let every thought and work and word
 To Thee be evergiven;
 Then life shall be Thy Service Lord,
 And death the gate of Heaven."