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NEWSLETTER

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## Message from the President—Betty Hall

Dear PFA members,

I hope you are all having a good winter. Iowa has only had one little snow so far. But it's too cold to mow the lawn.

Fall is always a busy time for me with my volunteer work, but now I am starting to work on the Pontius family history books that were donated to the PFA by Heather Riley. I found several interesting notes, and I thought I would share a couple:

2/20/1969 Found, after six years of research, the grave of Anna Pontious 1814-1852, 1<sup>st</sup> wife of Andrew Pontious by J. Philip Pontius. "No written record was ever found of the date and place of burial of Anne Pontius 1814-1852, first wife of Andrew Pontious 1816-1893 who came from Ross County, Ohio to Fulton County, Illinois about 1850. While searching cemeteries north of Table Grove, Ill during February 1969, the Grave of Anna Pontious was found in Miner Cemetery in Farmers Township, Fulton County, Illinois."

This makes me so thankful for computers. Joseph Philip Pontius worked for 6 years to find her grave and now we can sometimes find the information in a few clicks.

I also found "1970 Facts for Oct 19<sup>th</sup> meeting by J. P. Pontius."  
"....Jacob. 1828-?? to America from Prussia in 1846; d. 1875. Escaped forced German Militarism; settled allotment land. Guide to take us into three counties 100 mile trip. Two male descendants living. Carl another Immigrant 1800."  
"Solomon 1838-1925 grave unmarked for 45 yrs. Buried alone on a mountain side at Penfield, Pa."

I feel so grateful that Heather Riley contacted Harry Pontious instead of just dumping all the information.

I know that Joan and David are working hard on making the next reunion in Massachusetts be a great time for all. I am looking forward to seeing everyone there.

Betty Hall, President

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Directors Emeritus:

Anita DeGraff, Donald Forquer, Virginia Johnson, Edith Swank, and Eileen Pontious Surridge

The Pontius Family Association is a nonprofit corporation dedicated to research, education, and preservation of family history and genealogy.

[www.pontiusfamilyassociation.org](http://www.pontiusfamilyassociation.org)



# Get ready for the 2025 Reunion of the Pontius Family Association !!

Our reunion this year takes us to Worcester, Massachusetts in New England.

Our hotel, the Hilton Garden Inn Worcester, is downtown and is a short walk to restaurants and cafes and less than a mile and a half from attractions including:

- **The American Antiquarian Society**—Since its founding in 1812 by Revolutionary War patriot and printer Isaiah Thomas, AAS has assembled what is today the world’s largest and most accessible collection of books, pamphlets, broadsides, newspapers, periodicals, children’s literature, music, and graphic arts material print before the twentieth century in what is now the United States.
- **Salisbury Mansion**—Built in 1820, home of one of Worcester’s most dynamic and prominent families.
- **The Worcester Art Museum** - houses over 38,000 works of art dating from antiquity to the present day and representing cultures from all over the world.
- **The Worcester History Museum** - Worcester is home of the Smiley Face!
- **The Crompton Collective** - Determined by Merchant Machine to be the place in the state to shop for antique souvenirs and vintage collectables.



The hotel is a half mile from the train station, making for an easy day trip to Boston. Arrive early or stay an extra day and take the train to Boston for hop-on/hop-off trolley tour or the Freedom Trail walking tour. David Reno has offered to lead a guided tour on Thursday.

Our Saturday banquet will include “**Pontius Got Talent!**” as well as our raffle. Share up to three minutes of your own talent or a story about your favorite ancestor.

## Getting there

For participants flying to Boston:

- rent a car. Worcester is an hour drive from Boston Logan Airport.
- take a train. The Hilton Garden Inn is half a mile from Worcester train station.

For participants driving, Worcester is centrally located in Massachusetts, making it a great road trip destination.

## Hotel Reservations

We have reserved a block of rooms with the Hilton Garden Inn Worcester for the nights of Thursday, Friday, and Saturday (July 17, 18, & 19) for \$159/night + tax. (Parking is \$14.95/night) Book early! Reservations made after June 26, 2025 will only be taken on a space and rate available basis.

**Hilton Garden Inn Worcester**    **Phone: 508-753-5700**  
35 Major Taylor Blvd, Worcester, MA 01608  
**Block Code: PFA25**                      **Block Price \$159/night + tax**

Breakfast may be purchased for \$8.00 & up or \$16.95 for buffet.

Direct questions or suggestions to Joan Pontius (443-963-4403) or joanpontius@gmail.com and look for additional details in our next PFA Newsletter coming out in the spring.



*See you in Worcester !*

## General Schedule for Worcester, Massachusetts 2025 Reunion / *More to come...*

### Thursday, July 17

Optional 2-mile guided tour of Boston by PFA's own David Reno to visit the State House, Paul Revere's house, USS Constitution, and one of the country's oldest public libraries—the Boston Athenaeum.

2:00-5:00 pm Registration

7:00-8:30 pm Board of Directors Meeting

### Friday, July 18

Registration

Morning - Meet and Greet Meeting

Genealogy Meeting led by Micheal Pontious

### Saturday, July 19

General Meeting at First Baptist Church Banquet Room

Evening - Gather for group photos, Dinner, Socializing, ***Pontius Got Talent***, Raffle, and Closing Remarks by Betty Hall

### Sunday, July 20

Join other PFA members on a day trip to Boston possibly walking the Freedom Trail or using the Hop On/Hop Off Trolley.

More specific details and activities will be provided in the Spring Newsletter.

## FUTURE REUNION DATES:

2025      **Worcester, Massachusetts** July 17-20  
Hosted by Joan Pontius and David Reno



2026      Alton, Illinois  
Hosted by Mitzi Schwertfeger



2027      Host and location needed



Please mark your calendars to join us in Massachusetts and think about hosting a reunion in the future.

Please contact Denise Millard if you are interested in discussing hosting a meeting in the future. Denise may be reached at 610-223-1239 or [denisemillard57@gmail.com](mailto:denisemillard57@gmail.com).

## REGULAR CHANGED TO LIFE MEMBERS

Ron Weekes (M\*-11143222) of Jerome, Idaho

### WELCOME NEW REGULAR MEMBERS

Josh Shevlin (J-376536XX) of Vienna, VA

Grandson of Paul & Diane Pontius (J-376536) of PA

Rebecca Pontius (J-3162784\*) of Methuen, MA

### MESSAGE FROM THE ARCHIVIST by Micheal Pontious:

We have our first Maria Catherine Pontius Herold member with a PFA ID number. It has a weak link in it so in the future there could be a change. As far as I know, this is the first. I had a little problem with the letter at the beginning of the number. At first, I was going to use just a capital "M" like we do with Johannes and Nicholas. The problem here is what happens when we start to give ID numbers to the two Mathias Pontius lines, if ever? So, I decided to use "M\*- ", since her name changed from Pontius at the onset. Let me know what you think of it.

In investigating a new Johannes line member, I found a mistake in the ancestors in our tree. It occurred at Benjamin Franklin Pontius (1850-1912), the son of Henry Brouse Pontius (1811-1876.) The correct Benjamin for this line was born July 9, 1850. The record had the dates correct but the wife and children were not correct. The sources attached to the record were for a Benjamin Franklin Pontius (1851-1930) born May 1851, son of Andrew Pontius 1803-1881 and Jane Shankin (1817-1888). He was married to Caroline Main Richman (1850-1919), and they had three children. The correct Benjamin Franklin Pontius was married to Mary Eister or Eyster (1859-1926). This correction of the database should not affect anyone's PFA ID numbers. Both Benjamins have no direct members before this.

I also found that my Great grandmother Anna Maria Baer Pontius was married to two Andrew Pontius's. My great grandfather Andrew Pontius (1816-1893) and Andrew Pontius (1819- U). Both Andrew's were attached to her children. Andrew Pontius (1816-1893) is the correct one. He remarried after Anna died, for a total of 18 children. It was difficult to correct this. Luckily, only Anna's six children were involved.

The database is up to 28,373 entries, and I just sent twelve more files to Ohio Genealogy Society.



Micheal Pontious 402-290-9261 mspontious@cox.net

## Bylaws of the Pontius Family Association

Our 2024/2025 Bylaws Committee — Betty Hall, Dawn Currie, and Fred Weaver—have reviewed and updated our Bylaws.

A copy of our Bylaws has been included in this mailing for your review, as required by Article XIV - Amendment of Bylaws. Acceptance requires a two-thirds vote by members of the Association present at our Annual Meeting to be held July 19, 2025. *Changes are in bold and underlined.*

If you have any question or comments, please contact the Committee.

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Dawn Currie	937-522-1198	ganderswamp@ymail.com
Fred Weaver	937-307-3686	fredweaver47@gmail.com

## Interesting things our Members are involved in across the country...

### EVENTS OF OUR MUSIC TEACHER'S ASSOCIATION FOR TEACHER & STUDENTS

As a private piano teacher, I am one of over a 100 members in our local **Central East Ohio Music Teachers Assoc** (CEOMTA). Here, we plan district and state conferences, attend national conferences, plan piano workshops, teacher forums, a professional teacher certification process and for students .... there are Recital Competitions, Summer Scholarships, Pianorama, with 10 pianos; a multi-piano ensemble where students learn duet literature with a partner, gain audition and rehearsal experience, and perform in a large ensemble concert, conducted by an OhioMTA teacher. Another exciting event is Scale Olympics, offering nine events with earned ribbons.

Since 2014, I have been the Chairman of Out and About. As chairman of this activity, I set up volunteer performance opportunities for student musicians once a month, typically on a Sunday. The students share their beautiful music with visitors, family, patients, workers ...in our Hospital lobbies, waiting rooms, senior living places, and on a piano at the mall. Interested teachers who have performance-ready students will email me with information at least by Wednesday before the event. I make a printed program for the family.

Attendance at each event runs anywhere from four to 18 performers and can be piano, string players or students of any teacher member.

Miriam Brown, NCTM  
Nationally Certified Teacher of Music, Piano  
"Ohio Nationally Certified Teacher of the Year 2022"  
Central East OMTA member / Out & About Chairman  
614-898-0900 [miriam@columbusharpist.com](mailto:miriam@columbusharpist.com)



***Miriam (N-42321\*3) is our PFA Secretary and has been a Board member for many years. She joined the PFA in 2005 and is a Life member. Her brother Dale Weber is also a Life member. Along with Paul Weber (deceased), they are the children of Margaret Elizabeth Pontius Weber. First cousins include Jan Hamilton, Edith Swank, and Barb Remy.***

## Book Notes from Janice Pontius Hamilton:

My grandfather was Alton Abner Pontius born in 1874 in Stark County, Ohio, Plain Township in the Village of Greentown. Probably a hundred folks lived in Greentown in 1874. The area was platted in 1816.

In 1892, the Interurban was built. This rail system ran across the state of Ohio through Greentown. It was renamed Route 8 in about 1900. This rail system went into Indiana.



Valparaiso College in Indiana was on the Interurban line. This college was established by the Methodist Church. Alton would have been about 18 in 1892. He took the Interurban to Valparaiso to study, and he probably stayed in a rented room of a local person. There were no dormitories at that time.

This connection with the Methodist Church and the college is fairly clear as Alton's father was involved in the founding of the Greentown Methodist Church in 1832. Alton returned to Greentown and began teaching in a one-room school in 1892 and taught until 1928.

As a child, I recall visiting my grandparents after piano lessons and children's choir practice at the Methodist Church. My grandparents, Alton and Dicie Pontius, lived in a beautiful Victorian home beside the Methodist Church. The home was built by Flossie Dell Pontius Rees's family. Flossie studied music in Oberlin College and directed the Methodist Church choir. (Flossie was the mother of David Rees who was a member of the PFA from 1994 until his death 5/13/2023.)

There were lots of books in the house and two beautiful bookcases with glass fronts that are still in the family. My grandfather was always reading.

In 1950 or 1951, the Bookmobile from the Canton Library came to Greentown Square. I rode my used bike up to get books. I would read 3 or 4 a week. I'm still reading, and I started two book clubs--one at my church and one with friends in the summer.

*I have suggestions for two fine books for you to read:*

The Seven Daughters of Eve by Bryan Sykes. Using DNA, he traced the direct maternal ancestor of all 650 million European people. Human origins began in Africa and dispersed 40,000 years ago. (Semifictional—1/2 nonfiction and 1/2 historical fiction)

The Orphan Train by Christina Baker Kline. In 1854, in New York City, orphan street children were placed on trains and delivered across the country. Probably 100,000 children. (Fictional but based on true history.)

These books are available on Kindle or Amazon, as well as your public library.

***Jan Pontius Hamilton (N-4232121\* and N-2\*6\*22121\*) has been a PFA Board member for many years. Jan joined the PFA in 2002 and is a Life member. Her sisters Edith Swank and Martha Smith are also Life members. Their parents were Ralph and Phyllis Pontius. First cousins Barb Remy, Miriam Brown, and Dale Weber are also Life members. Jan lives in Virginia.***





## **The Cascades Breaks Ground in Yellow Springs, Ohio**

Ohio nonprofit organization Yellow Springs Home, Inc. broke ground last summer on its most ambitious project to-date: a 32-unit development that will provide homes for 22 senior households and 10 families on two acres formerly occupied by a Wright State University medical clinic. The community, dubbed “The Cascades” after a local landmark waterfall, was designed by Cleveland firm, City Architecture, with input from several focus groups and more than 10 years of advocacy by a Senior Housing Working Group. It will feature 10 buildings, containing two to five units each, and will include a mixture of rental and for-sale homes.

Accessible, affordable housing for seniors is one of the greatest housing needs in communities across the U.S., with Yellow Springs, a village of roughly 4,000 residents, located approximately 20 miles east of Dayton, being no exception. As the number of older adults grows, nationally, so too does the number who are “housing cost burdened,” with an estimated 11.2 million older adults spending more than 30% of their household income on housing costs, according to a recent study by The Joint Center for Housing Studies of Harvard University.

A community land trust, YSHI specializes in shared equity homeownership and other programs that promote long-term affordability. YSHI recently celebrated its 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, a span during which the organization has developed 40 “forever affordable” homes, investing more than \$7 million on projects that promote sustainability and diversity in Yellow Springs.

Chris Bongorno has served as YSHI Board President for the past seven years. For more information on The Cascades and the other work that YSHI does, visit [www.yshome.org](http://www.yshome.org).

***Chris Bongorno (N-4231\*21222 & N-5\*8621222) joined the PFA in 2008. He is the son of David and Roberta Bongorno and grandson of Hazel Miller. Formerly from Cleveland, Ohio, Chris now lives in Yellow Springs, Ohio, with his wife, Naomi, and three children: Nora, Elise, and Simon.***



## Message from the Editor—Bobbie Bongorno:

Thank you to Joan Pontius for another wonderful Bridge Builder, and thank you to those who submitted the articles. What a wonderful organization we have!



Please send me any articles you would like to have included in future Newsletters. Maybe write about an organization your are involved with, trips you have been taking, hobbies you enjoy, or brag about your children, grandchildren, or pets. It is so nice to hear what our members are doing across the country.

During our Reunion Meet and Greet sessions on Friday morning, everyone gets a chance to stand up and tell a little bit about how they got involved with the PFA and a little about their families. We would love to hear about what you are doing even if you can't make it to a reunion.

Send to Bobbie Bongorno at [bjbongo@sbcglobal.net](mailto:bjbongo@sbcglobal.net) or 21810 Fairmount Blvd, Cleveland, Ohio 44118-4816. If you can't type it up yourself, you can call me at 216-308-0584 and read your notes to me. I will type it up and put it in the newsletter.

Please see the PFA Membership Application and the Cemetery Restoration Application Forms at the end of this newsletter. Please encourage a family member to join our organization or use the cemetery form to request help with restoration.

## BRIDGE BUILDER Editor—Joan Pontius:

If anyone has interesting stories or genealogy about a family member, send the information to Joan and she can help write the article. She asks that the article be sent in a word document, not to send a PDF file. Please send any photos separately. Send to [Joanpontius@yahoo.com](mailto:Joanpontius@yahoo.com) or mail to 4879 Manor Lane, Ellicott City MD 21042-6119. If you have questions, please call 443-963-4403.



## Legacy Fund Program:

As was documented in the Minutes of our June 2023 meeting, the Legacy Fund has been established and has begun to be funded. Members of the PFA can apply for funds for any activity that would promote the heritage of the Pontius Family. The Legacy Committee will review and accept or deny the Applications.

The Application Form and Protocols are available at: [pontiusfamilyassociation.org](http://pontiusfamilyassociation.org).

If you would like to make a contribution to this fund, please send your check to: Pontius Family Association, 21810 Fairmount Blvd, Cleveland, OH 44118-4816.

Money available in this Fund will come from donations and bequeaths not from the regular budget.



## DECEASED MEMBERS

*Remembering their families in sympathy.*

We have printed partial obituaries. To read the entire obituaries, please search on Google or contact Bobbie Bongorno at 216-308-0584 to have a copy mailed to you.

### **Fred Elbert Porter 1927—2024**

Fred Elbert Porter of Richland, Washington, passed away July 14 at the age of 96. He was born December 8, 1927 in Erie, PA. to Herbert and Minnie Porter. Fred grew up in Harbor Creek PA and Findley Lake NY.

Fred attended Behrend Center, Penn State, after serving in the Navy. He worked for General Electric in Erie PA and then transferred to Richland in 1959.

Fred will be remembered for his positive attitude, willingness to help others, ability to make friends, generosity and kindness. Flying his sailplane and Taylor Craft airplane, hunting, fishing, shooting, golfing, gold prospecting, bowling, & softball were among the many things that Fred enjoyed. He convinced his brother, Ron, to move to Washington in 1964 to pursue his education and to help him with the construction of his sailplane. They spent many hours working together on the sailplane and hunting and fishing.

He was preceded in death by his parents, brothers Harold "Herky" & Lloyd Porter and sister Dolores Wilkinson and special friend Ila Buchanan. Fred is survived by his brother Ronald (Kimberly) Porter, and many nieces and nephews.

***Fred (N-63313\*51) joined the PFA in 1995 and was a Life member since 1998.***



### **Selma Porter 1940—2024**

Selma Brown Porter, 83, of Orem, Utah, died June 18, 2024, after a long illness. She was born on August 2, 1940, in St Anthony, Idaho to George Smith Brown and Ruth Ricks Brown. She married the love of her life, William C. Porter, on January 31, 1962, in the Salt Lake City Temple. He preceded her in death on March 6, 2007.

Selma's life was full of people. Her most treasured times were with family, neighbors, her book club, and scouting. She was an avid member of the Boy Scouts of America for over 40 years and was honored with the Silver Beaver award. She was a devoted wife, mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother. Most of all she loved our savior Jesus Christ and served him in every way that she could through her words and actions. She embodied the love of Christ.

Selma is survived by her 3 siblings Sandra Skousen; Sid (Chris) Brown; Spence (Wendy Spaulding) Brown; 7 children, Lexie Walker, Elaine (Rob) Watts, William Jr (Little Bill), Sherman (Heather), Greg (Emy), Ben (Wendy), and John (Erica); 11 grandchildren; and 1 great-grandchild. She was preceded in death by her husband Bill and two siblings Mike and Mary Ann.

***Selma and William joined the PFA in 2001. Selma served on the Board of Directors from 2011-2015. William was Editor of The Bridge Builder from 2004-2007. Selma and William hosted our 2006 Reunion in Salt Lake City, UT.***

**Bridge Builder** Please submit to our Editor, Joan Pontius, 4879 Manor Lane, Ellicott City MD 21042 or joanpontius@yahoo.com or call Joan at 443-963-4403. Past Bridge Builders are available for purchase. Catalog is on our website: pontiusfamilyassociation.org.

Future **Newsletter** articles may be sent to Bobbie Bongorno at bjbongo@sbcglobal.net.

**Reunion Photo Books** Picture books created by Dave and Bobbie Bongorno are available for past reunions. If you would like a copy, please send \$7.50 each to cover the booklet and postage to: Pontius Family Association, Roberta Bongorno, 21810 Fairmount Boulevard, Cleveland OH 44118. Be sure to indicate which year(s) you want.

2023 Denver, Pennsylvania

2022 Springfield, Illinois

2021 Dayton, Ohio

2019 Hannibal, Missouri

2018 Iowa City, Iowa

2017 Mifflinburg, Pennsylvania

2016 Richmond, Virginia

2015 Frankenmuth, Michigan

2014 Bryan/College Station, Texas

2013 Denver, Pennsylvania

2012 Circleville, Ohio

2010 St. Louis, Missouri

2009 Belleville, Michigan

2008 Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania



PDF versions of the Photo Books are available for free. Email request to Bjbongo@sbcglobal.net.

**Email List** - If you are not already on our "email" list and would like to receive PFA updates if they occur during the year between the published Newsletter mailings, please send your email address to Bobbie at bjbongo@sbcglobal.net. Be sure to edit your settings to allow our group email to be received.

**Address Changes** - Please remember to send any address changes to Bobbie Bongorno at the address above or Bjbongo@sbcglobal.net or call 216-308-0584. Thank you--this helps us keep our postage costs down. Also, if you know of someone's passing, please forward information and/or obituaries.

**Membership Application Form** is available at www.pontiusfamilyassociation.org or from Bobbie Bongorno at 216-360-9561. Please use this Membership Application to purchase memberships for your family members or give to those you may be interested. Dues notices are sent to remind those who are already yearly members when renewal is due.

### **Cemetery Restoration Assistance/Application**

If you are interested in applying for assistance with repairing or restoring a cemetery stone for a Pontius ancestor, please contact Mark Wehr, Chairman of the Cemetery Restoration Committee, 1060 Buffalo Creek Rd, Mifflinburg PA 17844-7708 or 570-966-2304 or email markwehr@windstream.net with questions.

**Legacy Fund** - The Application Form and Protocols are available on our website.

PFA Website: Pontiusfamilyassociation.org.

***Mark your calendars for Worcester, Massachusetts July 17-20 2025!!!***



# Pontius Family Association Membership Application

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Spouse: \_\_\_\_\_

*If wife, please include maiden name.*

Pontius Number, if known: \_\_\_\_\_

Second Address Information: If you live in another location part of the year.

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_

State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ When: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Pontius Ancestor: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship of Ancestor: (i.e. Grandmother) \_\_\_\_\_

Where did you hear about the PFA? \_\_\_\_\_

Membership Fees:

\_\_\_\_\_ 1 year \$12.50      \_\_\_\_\_ 2 year \$24.00      \_\_\_\_\_ 3 year \$35.00

\_\_\_\_\_ Junior \$4.00 (ages 1-21 w/o Bridge Builder)

\_\_\_\_\_ Life (69 and younger) \$120.00      \_\_\_\_\_ Life (70 and older) \$100.00

Make checks payable to: Pontius Family Association

Mail to: Pontius Family Association, 21810 Fairmount Blvd., Shaker Heights, OH 44118-4816

If paying by PayPal, please add \$1.00 to cover processing fees.

Sign into PayPal and use [PontiusTreasurer@gmail.com](mailto:PontiusTreasurer@gmail.com).

Thank you for your membership!

**Pontius Family Association  
Cemetery Restoration Application**

In keeping with the Pontius Family Association Articles of Incorporation Article III -Purposes: To identify, locate, rehabilitate, and rebuild graves, memorials, markers, and edifices and to finance such work and rehabilitation through voluntary contributions by members of the Association or others desiring to contribute, we have established the Cemetery Restoration Committee. This committee is to help PFA members with the expense of repair or replacement of a stone. The committee will carefully consider all applications and will make the decision on what will be done and the amount that can be spent on the repair and or replacement of a stone. Please note all replacement stones will be small head stones and will only include the name and dates of the deceased.

Name of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_ PFA # \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Deceased: \_\_\_\_\_ PFA Number if known \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Death: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Cemetery: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Section: \_\_\_\_\_ Lot: \_\_\_\_\_ Row: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Local Monument Company: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Is deceased a Veteran? Yes No If yes: Branch of Service: \_\_\_\_\_

Unit: \_\_\_\_\_ Rank: \_\_\_\_\_

Deceased Social Security Number (if known) \_\_\_\_\_

**Degree of Damage:** Cracked: \_\_\_\_\_ Broken in more than two pieces: \_\_\_\_\_ Laid down but whole: \_\_\_\_\_

Needs re-engraved: \_\_\_\_\_ Missing: \_\_\_\_\_ Footer still usable? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

Information on stone if legible: (Please copy all information as it appears on the stone:) \_\_\_\_\_

**Requirements: Send to: Mark Wehr, 1060 Buffalo Creek Rd, Mifflinburg PA 17844-7708**

Please attach photo(s) of the stone and/or area in which stone will be placed.

Please send copy of cemetery records and obituary (if available) for the deceased.

Are there descendants who are willing to make a donation towards the purchase cost? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

If yes, please indicate the amount you have been able to collect. \_\_\_\_\_

Please list the names of those descendants who have made donations on the back.

After the repair or replacement of a stone we ask that you send a photo of it.