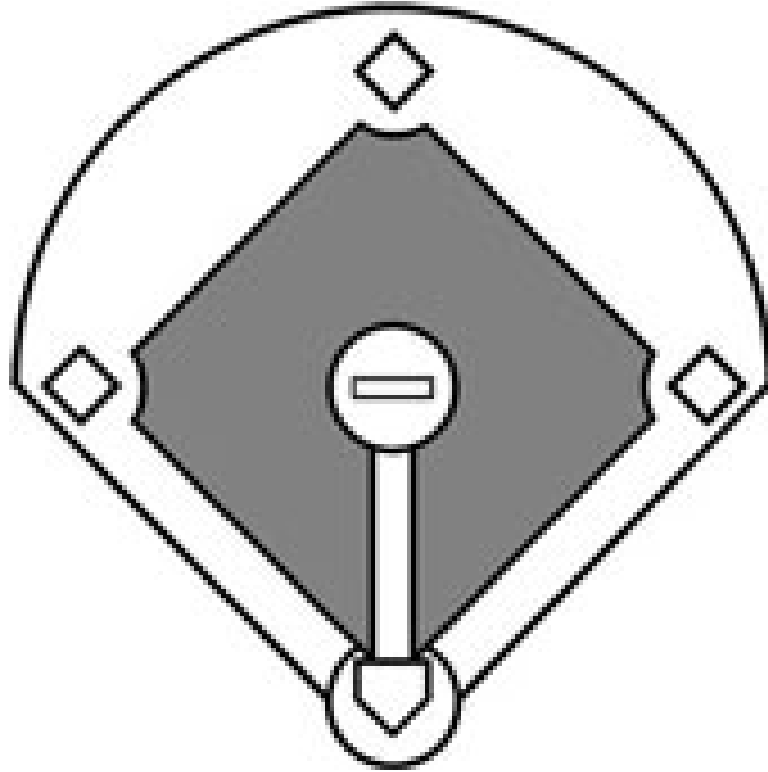


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## Jewett Website

Jewett Family member, Rodney Jewett has volunteered to host and maintain his Jewett website for our benefit. He does own the domain name. You can access the website at [www.jewett.org](http://www.jewett.org). Back issues of the newsletter, and yearbooks have been added. Current issues of the newsletter are not available at this time but will be added at a later date.

### From the Editor's Desk

Thank you to Dorothy Jewett Brigham, Jessie Elliott, Sarah Jewett King, Carrie Cole, Toni Chavez, Carol Jewett, Linda Moulton, Michael Jewett and Jim Jewett for their contributions to this edition of the Quarterly. Your time and efforts are most appreciated.

Please note that my collection of submitted material is very low at present. I would welcome any material that you would like to share, including stories, articles, pictures and even interesting web sites for the next or future Quarterly issues. If you would like to send photos please send either glossy prints or JPG files.

Additionally, I would be open to suggestions on what you might like to see in the newsletter. If possible, drop me a line, and I or another family member could research the topic for presentation in an upcoming newsletter.

Tom

## Contemplations of your President

Well, the reunion has happened and I believe everything went well. We only had about 60 members & their families attend but everything went according to schedule and all seemed to enjoy themselves. The First Congregational Church and staff welcomed us with open arms. Church moderator Nancy Schmidt opened the format program with a welcome and a prayer and did the benediction at the conclusion. Church Sexton Roger Merry set up tables, made coffee, and did whatever we asked of him to make the reunion run smoothly. We were also blessed with probably the best weather of the summer here in New England.

I was pleasantly surprised with how many attendees arrived at noon on Friday, visited the library, and were at the cemetery service. By my quick tally, 38 members socialized and attended the Rowley Library Tour hosted by library director Pamela Jacobsen. The service at the cemetery was brief and, upon its conclusion, Barbara Shaw and Bunny Mansir (Our Rowley Cemetery experts) answered questions about the headstones and the Jewetts buried there. Barbara and Bunny are in the process of compiling a book about the Jewetts in the Rowley Cemetery which will be available from the JFA when completed.

Saturday dawned brightly and Claire, Johanna and I enjoyed breakfast at the Village Pancake house. The food was excellent, the service prompt and the price reasonable. The JFA has had many past directors meetings at the Pancake House which was originally owned by a Jewett. We then proceeded to the church where Roger had already made coffee and we added some Dunkin Donuts munchkins.

We had several speakers at the formal program at the church. The first was Jonathan Appell who is a gravestone preservationist. Jonathan gave a brief presentation on the Jewett stones in the Rowley Cemetery and how the stones can be cleaned and preserved. Jonathan will be providing us with a proposal on how he can help us with this project. The other was on the history of Jewetts in literature by the current author of a series of three historical novels Col Kenneth Jewett (ret.). He was dressed in period costume and spoke of Sarah Orne Jewett and The Jewett Publishing Company publisher of *Uncle Toms' Cabin*.

We adjourned around noon and everyone gathered at the side of the church for a group photograph after which we had a delicious luncheon of sandwiches, chips and bottled water provided by the Old Town Bread Company. There was plenty of delicious food and no one went away hungry.

At 2:00 PM a tour of the Rowley Historical Society house was led by Bob Merry and other Historical Society staff and attended by a large group of Jewetts who walked the quarter mile from the church to the Historical Society housed in the Bradstreet farm – the oldest farm in the US. A “coffee house” roundtable was held at 4:00 PM at the church with “budding authors” and other interested.

Quarterly four will have a lot more coverage of the reunion but I couldn't resist giving you this quick report. I hope you were one of the attendees but if you weren't, you now know what you missed. Make sure you join us for the next one in five years.

Toujours le même,



**FYI and ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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Volumes I and II of the **History and Genealogy of the Jewetts of America** can now be downloaded free on-line from the Internet Archives.

[www.archive.org/details/historygenealogy01jewe](http://www.archive.org/details/historygenealogy01jewe)

[www.archive.org/details/historygenealogy02jewe](http://www.archive.org/details/historygenealogy02jewe)

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**Looking for Information**

I am looking for information on any family members that may be related to Orris (O.W.) Jewett, Nora Jewett, or Catrice Jewett. I have pictures and not sure if they are friends of my family, or are related in some way. Any information would be helpful. Would be glad to provide further information if anyone is related.

Contact: Melody Deyle (e-mail)

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***Congratulations***

John Sheridan Campbellton was born 12 Aug 2010 to Valerie Lynn (Mayo) and Joshua Allen Campbellton in Lewiston, Maine. Valerie is a descendant of Joseph Danforth Jewett #5499, Frank E Jewett, Forest Wilber Jewett, Florence M Jewett, Sarah Frances Bernardo, Valerie Lynn Mayo



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A daughter, Alexia Maria Jewett, was born June 4, 2010, at Prentice Women's Hospital in [Chicago](#) to Nora (del Busto) and Chase Jewett of Chicago. Grandparents are Nora and Ramon del Busto of Bloomfield Hills, Mich., and Cynthia and Harvey Jewett (JFA #23,686) of Aberdeen

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Dr. Megan Rene Parker and Ryan Stewart Peters were united in marriage at Wrightman Chapel at Scarritt Bennett Center, Nashville, TN. on June 12, 2010. Megan is the daughter of Charles and Charlotte (JFA #23432) Parker, Murfreesboro, TN.. Ryan is the son of Michael and Joy Peters, Murfreesboro, TN. Megan is the granddaughter of Jessie (JFA #23406) Elliott, Madison, TN. Megan is employed by Belmont University as a professor of human development and with the Metro Nashville schools as a psychologist. Ryan is employed by as a senior auditor with Crowe-Horwath, LLC. They are making their home in Nashville, TN.

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Hope Marie Darting and Neil Kale Oxford were united in marriage, July 10, 2010, at Finney Park, Garden City, Kansas. Hope is the daughter of John and Edith (JFA #23403) Darting, Hillsboro, Kansas. Neil is the son of Leonard and Edith Oxford, Ulysses, Kansas. They are making their home in Beaver, Oklahoma.

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## ***Congratulations 2010 Graduates***

**Genna Marie Parker** graduated from the University of Tennessee on May 14, 2010. She earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Psychology. She graduated Summa Cum Laude, which means that Genna graduated with a grade point average above 3.75. Genna is now starting her Masters degree in Counseling at Middle Tennessee State University.

**Megan Rene Parker** graduated from the University of Tennessee on May 13, 2010. She earned a Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) in School Psychology. She now plans to either work in the schools as a psychologist or teach at a college.

Megan and Genna are the daughters of Charles and Charlotte (JFA #23,432) Parker, Murfreesboro, TN. and the granddaughter of Jessie (JFA #23,406) Jewett McCarty Elliott, Madison, TN.

**Sarah Ann Jewett**, daughter of Michael William (JFA #22,680) and Andrea (nee Joss) Jewett of Woodbury, Minnesota, graduated from the Math and Science Academy in Woodbury, Minnesota in June 2010. Sara will be attending the University of Iowa, Iowa City, IA this fall to study engineering.

**Allison Jewett**, daughter of Tracy and Lori Jewett of Rome, Pennsylvania graduated from Northeast Bradford High School in June 2010.

### **Other Recent Graduations**

**Jackie Jewett**, daughter of Clyde (JFA #18,238) and Tina Jewett graduated from the University of Phoenix with her Masters degree in 2009.

**Lauren Viejo** (JFA #18,356) daughter of Sylvia Jewett (JFA #18,289) and Miguel Viejo, graduated from Florida Christian High School in May 2009. She is currently attending Miami Dade College.

**Ivan Alfredo Chavez** (JFA #18,359), son of Ivan and Antonia (JFA #18,293) Chavez completed his Paramedic Training in December 2009.

## NEWS FROM THE EDITOR

As you may have guessed, the current newsletter is late. I had originally planned on having the newsletter ready for publishing shortly after the Jewett Family Reunion in Rowley, in mid-August. However, upon returning from the reunion we discovered that a fire had broken out in our basement the day before we returned. The cause of the fire was a short in a surge protector that I had the dehumidifier plugged into. With the exception of the refrigerator, this was the only thing left plugged in while we were attending the reunion. After all, who unplugs a dehumidifier in the middle of the summer. While the actual fire damage was confined to a small area of the basement, the fire put out a significant amount of smoke and soot. Being electrical in nature, the main breaker was pulled, and due to some bare and damaged wiring, we were advised not to reconnect the power until we had an electrician repair the damage and check the rest of the wiring. As we are on a well, no electricity means no water. As a result, we have been living in a hotel about 20 miles from our house for nearly the past month and a half. Lodging in the Northern Tier of Pennsylvania is hard to come by these days due to the large influx of workers engaged in natural gas exploration. With all the extra travel, dealing with the insurance companies, cleaning crews and the contractor, I have not been able to devote the time needed to finishing the newsletter until this past weekend.

To date, our insurance company, Allstate has been fairly responsive to any questions we have had, and very helpful in getting the house back in order. Service Master is in charge of cleaning all the soot and smoke damage from the house, which due to the amount of items stored in the basement is taking longer than expected. As I write this, Service Master has everything cleaned except the basement, and they hope to finish that off “soon”. Every wall and ceiling in the house, including the closets will be repainted. Painting of the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor has been completed, and they are now working on painting the ground floor. With considerable luck, we may be able to move back in by the last week in September. One of the biggest delays was in locating a contractor and getting him to begin working on the repairs. In the end, we did not have electricity in the house until the nearly the middle of September. The repairs have now been completed, and they have passed inspection. One of the other necessary, but time consuming and unavoidable chores has been to compile a list of all the items that could not be salvaged due to soot and smoke damage, and to then provide a approximate replacement value for all the items. The amount of items that were deemed non-salvaged has been far more extensive than I would have thought. We lost food, clothing, books, decorations, stored drapes and other miscellaneous items. Fortunately, the losses did not really include anything of great monetary or sentimental value. However, for the last couple of weeks I have been carrying a clipboard with me wherever I go in order to check prices in any number of stores. I have encountered very understanding and helpful clerks in every store I have been in to check prices. Some even check competitor prices for me on their internal web sites. For such a small fire, it certainly created an oversized problem.

Thank you for your understanding. Moving forward, I am looking forward to getting the newsletters out on a more standard schedule.

## *In Sympathy*

**Daniel “Dan” William Jewett** (JFA #24,133), 53 of Valdosta, Georgia died Monday, June 14, 2010 at South Georgia Medical Center. Dan was born in St. Louis, Missouri on July 19, 1956, son of James Edward Jewett and Suzanne Hamel Jewett. The Jewett family moved from St. Louis to Minneapolis and later to Tampa, Florida where Dan’s family grew to include sister, Julie. They then moved to Denver, Colorado where Dan attended school, graduating from Wheat Ridge High School in 1974. After high school, Dan worked in sales for a few years. He then turned to his creative side and designed jewelry and knives. He earned a Master Gardner Certificate from the Colorado State University Extension program. His interests included music (bass guitar), salt-water aquariums, fishing, hunting, gardening, orchid cultivation and cooking. After recovering from a 1994 motor vehicle accident, Dan began to give back by volunteering at Craig Rehabilitation Hospital and the Denver Botanical Gardens in horticultural therapy. He moved to Valdosta, Georgia in 2002 where he had since lived at Heritage House. In Valdosta, Dan became a member of Trinity Presbyterian Church. Dan is survived by his mother, Suzanne Jewett, sister, Julie Reffel, brother-in-law, Jim Reffel, niece Suzanne Reffel and nephew, Mark Reffel, all of Valdosta, Georgia. His father, James Jewett, precedes Dan in death. Services: A memorial service celebrating Dan’s life will be held on Sunday, June 27 at 5:00 p.m. at Trinity Presbyterian Church. Dan will be interred at Sunset Burial Park in St. Louis, MO.



*Reprinted from the Valdosta Daily Times  
June 17, 2010*

**Merle P. Jewett**, 85, of Hermiston died Saturday, Aug. 7, 2010, at Rose Arbor Assisted Living Facility in Hermiston. Merle was a descendant of Henry Jewett (JFA #944). Graveside funeral services with military honors will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday, Aug. 12 at the Hermiston Cemetery. Mr. Jewett was born July 19, 1925, in Evaro, Mont., to Myron P. and Gladys Mildred (Baylor) Jewett. He was raised in Frenchtown, Mont., and attended schools there until the eleventh grade. He was drafted into the Navy, where he served during World War II. After the war he met and married Shirley Yvonne Wallace in 1948 in Athol, Idaho. They lived in Pinehurst, Idaho, before moving to Lewiston, Idaho, where they both earned their teacher's certificates from Northern Idaho Teacher's College. They owned a four-acre nursery, Dulton Gardens, in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, for a time before moving to Umatilla, where he worked on the construction of McNary Dam and finally moved to Hermiston. They owned and operated many businesses, including the McNary Motel, the Dunes Motel, the Blue Haven Apartments, the Town House Villa and many other apartment buildings. They designed and built houses with his brother-in-law, Ralph Wallace, and were longtime business partners with Charlie and Pat Kik in an ice business and with Sanitary Disposal. In 1980, he retired and received the "Business Man of the Year" award from the Hermiston Chamber of Commerce. Mr. Jewett is survived by sons Mike and Rick Jewett, both of Hermiston; daughter Debbie Brown of Hermiston; brother Darrell Jewett of Fairview; six grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his wife Shirley Jewett in 2008; and sister Bess Weller in 2007.



*Reprinted from the Hermiston Herald, Hermiston, OR  
August 10, 2010*  
Submitted by Jim Jewett



**Mary Ellen Jewett** (JFA #16,195) aged 95 of Lighthouse Point, Florida, passed away Saturday, June 26, 2010, at her home. Miss Jewett was born in Meigs County Ohio, the youngest child of Emmett and Margaret Archer Jewett. Besides her parents, she was preceded in death by three sisters, Letha Morris, Sylvia Pool, and Grace Wickline, and one nephew, Earl Morris. Surviving are one nephew; Carl Morris, of Long Bottom, Ohio, and two nieces, Eleanor Crabtree, Houston, Arkansas, and Ruth Lehman, Georgetown, Texas. Mary Jewett completed nurse's training at Camden-Clark Hospital in Parkersburg, West Va., and joined the Women's Army Corps as a nurse, serving at Wakeman General's 9000-bed hospital at Camp Atterbury in Indiana during World War II. After the War she nursed at hospitals in Cincinnati, Ohio, and later in life in hospitals in Broward County, Florida.

*Reprinted from the Sun Sentinel, Dade County, Florida*

*June 30, 2010*

Submitted by Sarah Jewett King

**Mildred Sim (Jewett) Moulton**, 83, passed away Aug. 17, 2010 in Beverly Hospital following a brief illness. Born in Salem on March 7, 1927 she was the daughter of the late Mildred Evelyn Sim (Jewett) and the late Edward Everett and Bernice Ring Atwood Jewett. She was raised and educated in Boston and graduated from Jeremiah E. Burke High School for Girls in 1944. She went on to graduate from Simmons College in 1948 with a degree in biochemistry and graduated from Northeastern Univ. Physician Asst. Program as a licensed Physician Asst. in 1975. Mildred contributed significantly to the early developments in the field of neurosurgical research on brain tumors, and with her close friend and mentor Dr. Bertram Selverstone, she published some of the first research papers done in this field while working at Mass. General Hosp. She later worked with Dr. Selverstone at Tufts New England Medical Center and the Miriam Hosp. in Providence, RI in the same field. She was a member of one of the earliest graduating classes from Northeastern in the newly established program for training Physician Assistants, following which she worked first at Wheaton College in Norton, then with a dedicated passion at the Veteran's Admin Hospital in Jamaica Plain, working in the drug abuse unit. She retired in 1995, and relocated to Cotuit, MA, devoting the remaining years of her life to helping to raise two granddaughters, of whom she was very proud. Mildred was a dedicated scientist, intellectual, artist, mother and grandmother. She was a unique individual in pursuing her dreams at a time when women rarely had the opportunity. She has instilled that strength and independence in her daughter and granddaughters, who will keep her spirit alive. She was the beloved mother of Linda Ann Moulton, and adored grandmother of Lisa May Moulton Goddard and Sarah Jewett Goddard all of Danvers and Cotuit. She was the former wife of Richard Brooks Moulton. A Funeral Service will be held on Sat., Aug. 21, 2010 at 11AM in C.R. Lyons & Sons, Funeral Directors, 28 Elm St., Danvers, MA. Burial will follow in Walnut Grove Cemetery, Danvers.

*Reprinted from the Salem News, Salem, MA*

*August 20, 2010*

Submitted by Linda Moulton

**Edward B. Jewett**, 86 years, died on July 13, 2010. He is survived by his spouse of 59 years, Carol Jewett; by his children Earl Jewett and Cynthia Clark; his grandchildren Paul, Theresa, Benjamin, Shane, and Jake and his great-grandchildren Chauntel and Evan. There will be a gathering Saturday, July 17th from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. at 945 Bedford St. in Whitman. Anyone with information about this family is asked to submit information to myself or the family historian.

*Reprinted from the Patriot Ledger*

*July 15, 2010*

**Debbie Ann Jewett**, 51, passed away July 8, 2010. Funeral services will be 10 a.m. Monday at Holy Rosary Catholic Church, 911 E. Missouri Ave, KCMO 64106. Burial in Mt. Saint Mary's Cemetery. Visitation will be 9-10 a.m. Monday at the church prior to the service. Debbie was preceded in death by mother, Mary Brocato Veasey. Survivors include her children, Shawn, Kellie, and Kristen Jewett; grandchildren, Tasha, Santos, and Jose Ayalla-Jewett; father, Gene Veasey; brothers Gene, Eddie, John, and Paul Veasey; husband, Donald Jewett; father-in-law, Lawrence Jewett and wife Donna; uncles, Albert, Vincent, and Salvatore Brocato and several nieces, nephews and cousins. The relationship between the main Jewett family lines and This family is currently unknown. Anyone with information about this family is asked to submit information to myself or the family historian.

*Reprinted from the Kansas City Star  
July 11, 2010*

**Gerald Keith Jewett**, better known as Keith, age 69, died from complications due to cancer at his home Sunday, Aug. 22, 2010. Gerald was descended from Joseph Danforth Jewett (JFA #5499). He was born in Liberty on Jan. 29, 1941, a son of the late Forrest and Lyndia (Fuller) Jewett. Keith was a graduate of Walker High School in Liberty, class of 1959. He was the owner of Jewett's Auto Service for 31 years. Following his retirement, he had been employed by Soule's Auto in Chelsea. Keith was the former deputy chief of the Jefferson Volunteer Fire Department, where he has been a volunteer fireman for many years. Keith enjoyed many years of hunting, fishing, bowling and camping. One of his most memorable times was the moose hunting trip with family and friends. He was predeceased by a grandson, Jason Jewett; a great-grandchild; two brothers, Wilbur and Forrest Jewett and three sisters, Mildred Jewett, Florence Bernardo and Ruth Cooper. Keith is survived by his wife of 51 years, Beverly (Hanson) Jewett of Jefferson; two sons, Gerald K. Jewett Jr. and his companion, Charlotte Hayes, of Jefferson and Jeffrey Jewett and his wife, Pam, of Jefferson; a daughter, Jackie Reynolds and her husband, Greg, of Waldoboro; a brother, Steven Jewett and his wife, Janice, of Liberty; a sister, Ernestine Hooper and her husband, Ernest, of Washington; six grandchildren, Allan, Brian, Kristen and Lindsey Jewett and Jeremy and Steven Reynolds; a sister-in-law, Marylin Jewett of Liberty; as well as several nieces, nephews and cousins.

*Reprinted from the Kennebec Journal, Kennebec, ME  
August 24, 2010*

**Everett Grenville Jewett**, 84, (JFA #24,221) passed away Sun August 29, 2010, after a period of failing health, with his family by his side. Everett was born April 9, 1926 In Newburyport, Mass. but soon moved to Ipswich, Rowley, Mass. Everett was the eldest son of past president & sec and Treasurer of the Jewett Family of America, Inc., Everett Douglas Jewett and Edna Phoebe (Towne) Jewett, of Rowley and Ipswich, Mass. He was a Life member of the JFA, and was the Grandson of Amos Everett Jewett of Rowley, Ma who was instrumental in keeping the JFA going. Everett married Shirley Margaret Fish in Dec. 1952, in Oakland, Ca. They resided in Stockton, Ca, where he and Shirley had 4 children, Patricia B.; 14 Jun 1954, San Bernadino, Ca married Reece Edward Young, William Douglas; 16 May 1956 In Fresno, Ca killed by hit & run driver 28 Oct 1969 in Fresno. Ca., Everett Grenville: 23 Aug. 1958 in Fresno, served in US ARMY in Germany, married Afentoula Natalie Lousie in Fresno, Ca. Everett married Isabell Lopez Sept 19, 1970 in Nev. They resided in Coalinga, Ca for 40 years, until his death. Everett Grenville is survived by his sisters Dorothy Edna Jewett Brigham of Acton, Maine (former Pres of JFA )1996 to 2008, Judith Louise Brennan of Brookfield, N.H and his brother Edward Jewett of New Hampshire. He also leaves grandchildren, and several step children, nieces and nephews, cousins. He was preceded by brothers Alfred Douglas Jewett of Rowley, Ma, and Walter Amos Jewett of Newburyport, MA and a sister Natalie Towne Bruce of Guilford, CT.

Submitted by Dorothy Edna Jewett Brigham

**Robert R. "Bob" Jewett**, 80, of Grand Island died Wednesday, July 14, 2010, at the Grand Island Nebraska Veterans Home. Robert is a descendant of Charles Jewett (JFA #10,133). Services will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday at the Nebraska Veterans Home All Faiths Chapel. The Rev. Joseph Edwards and Chaplain Bill Noer will officiate. Visitation will be one hour before service time. Cremation will take place following the service with burial of ashes at the Grand Island Nebraska Veterans Cemetery. Mr. Jewett was born Sept. 20, 1929, at Ralston, the son of Lloyd and Mary (Dixon) Jewett. Survivors of the immediate family include his wife, Patricia; a daughter, Sherry Jewett and her special friend, Jack Rysavy, of Grand Island; a son, William Jewett, of Grand Island; a brother, Calvin Jewett of Bellevue; and a sister, Darline McClure of Gustine, Calif. Other survivors are four grandchildren, Bobby Jewett, Patty Pokorney, Jeremy Jewett and David Jewett; nine great-grandchildren and special friends, Diana and Doug Johnson. He was preceded in death by his parents and sisters, Roberta Cox, Janice Smith and Jeanette Smith. Bob was raised in Omaha attending Omaha South High School. He entered the United States Army on Feb. 12, 1951, serving in the Korean War. He was honorably discharged on Jan. 29, 1953. Following the military, he worked at Kellogg's and Omaha Flour Mill for 15 years. On Oct. 30, 1954, he was united in marriage to Patricia (McKay) Galbraith. They moved to Grand Island in 1968. Bob worked at Northwest High School for 24 years before retiring in 1994. He is a member of the Apostolic Assembly Church and a lifetime member of the VFW. Bob enjoyed talking about Jesus. Other enjoyments were building clocks, telling jokes and making people laugh and antique cars.

*Reprinted from the Grand Island Independent, Grand Island, NE  
July 17, 2010*



**Melissa K. Jewett**, 43, beloved daughter of Theodore and Mina Jewett, of Burlington passed away in Burlington on Thursday, June 17, 2010. She was born on October 6, 1966, in Newport, a daughter of Ted and Mina (Carter) Jewett. Missy was an avid reader, enjoyed outdoor sports, loved being around her niece and nephews and delighted in teaching her students in the third grade at South Burlington Central School for many years. Melissa graduated from Moorestown High School, Moorestown, N.J. in 1984 after attending Elementary School in Derby. She also attended the University of Vermont and graduated with a Bachelor of Science Degree, Elementary Education in 1990, and a Master of Education, Curriculum and Instruction, in 1995. Melissa endured a thirty year struggle with Type 1 Diabetes with many complications. She volunteered at the Ronald McDonald House and was a past member of the Board of Directors of the Stearns Center for Language and Learning as well as the State Education Standard Board. She is survived by her parents; brothers, Matthew Jewett and his wife Jacquelyn of Duxbury, Mass., and Brian Jewett of South Burlington; a niece, Elizabeth; nephews, Timothy and Cyrus Jewett; and several aunts and uncles. She is also survived by her grandmother, Dorothy Carter; grandfather, Bert Jewett and his wife Ann. She was predeceased by her grandfather Melvin Carter and grandparents Reginald and Elizabeth Sherman.

Anyone with information about this family is asked to submit information to myself or the family historian.

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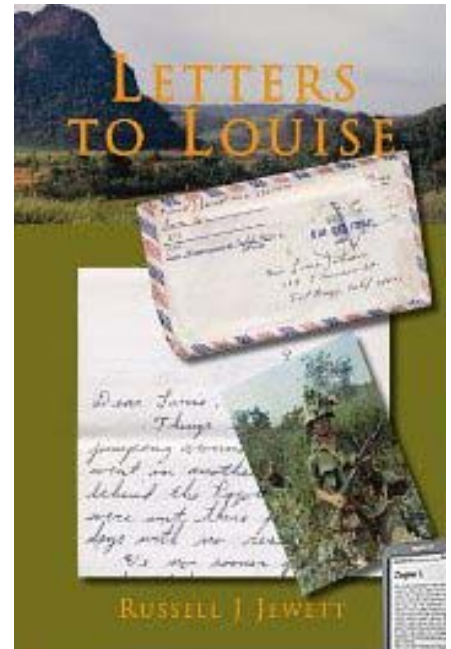


# LETTERS TO LOUISE

BY  
RUSSELL J. JEWETT

*Letters to Louise* is an autobiography about a naive young man coming from a very stable and protected environment who went into the navy. As a navy hospital corpsman, he became a combat corpsman with the US Marines. This memoir recounts his life in the military service where he experienced to live, eat, fight, and sleep in the mud and jungles. But more than that, it also chronicles the memories of events and the actual text of letters written over a period of four years to his high school girlfriend while he was in The United States, Japan, and Vietnam.

Russell J. Jewett, son of Norman Edward Jewett (JFA #23,224) and Carol Jewett, was born in the isolated town of Fort Bragg and lived with three generations of relatives on the Mendocino Coast of Northern California. At age 17, he enlisted in the military to see what the world had to offer. By age 20, he had been stationed in Japan before assignment to the Fleet Marine Force Vietnam as a combat corpsman with an infantry battalion. He lived, ate, fought, and slept in the mud and jungles on the DMZ with a remarkable company of Marines who became known as Ripley's Raiders. During the entire time in the service, he corresponded regularly with his high school sweetheart Louise. Those letters surfaced thirty-eight years later, and he used them as a framework to chronicle his memories.



In 1993 when his third marriage failed, Russell realized that he was suffering from unexplainable depression. In 1999 he created a website, [www.gruntfixer.net](http://www.gruntfixer.net), a photo essay about his time in Vietnam, which he still maintains. As a result, he made contact with the remaining members of Ripley's Raiders. In 2005, with encouragement from his comrades, he sought help from the Veterans Administration and was diagnosed as having posttraumatic stress disorder (PTSD). As part of his therapy, he committed his memories to text, which helped him overcome some of the symptoms of PTSD.

In 2009, Russell and four other Ripley's Raiders returned to their battlefields of 1967. They went without their loved ones, and by not having the distractions created by those not having been there, they were all able to banish some old ghosts. Russell currently lives with his fifth wife, Tereza, and Ringo, their Australian kelpie shepherd in his hometown of Fort Bragg, California.

For anyone interested in learning more about the author, or reading an excerpt from the book, the details can be found on line at <http://www.letterstolouise.com>.

## *The Jewett Baseball Connection*

Baseball is referred to as the national pastime and there have been several family members who have been involved in the game at various levels, from the earliest days of the game until the present day. While the listing below is far from complete, it should give a flavor of the involvement of the Jewett family in our national pastime.

### **Nathan W. Jewett (1844 – 1914)**

Nathan Jewett, son of Perry Jewett (JFA #2,873) and Catharine Twonbly was born in New York, New York in 1844, one of 7 children. Although he did not have an extensive career, he was present for the birth of baseball as a professional organization. Nathan lived his entire life in New York City and its environs. Nathan married Christina in 1868 in New York City and they had 9 children. Census records list Nathan as a letter carrier in 1870, with later sources listing his occupation as laborer and clerk.

Nathan played baseball for the Brooklyn Eckfords from July 4, 1872 to July 6, 1872. Playing as a catcher for 2 games, Nathan had 1 hit in 8 at bats and scored 1 run. The Ecklands operated as a baseball club from 1855 to 1872. In 1872 the Ecklands joined the National Association of Professional Baseball Players (NA), the first professional baseball league. The Ecklands finished the season with a record of 3 – 26, in 9<sup>th</sup> place. The NA operated from 1871 to 1875, and included such teams as the Boston Red Stockings, Philadelphia Athletics, Chicago White Stockings, and the Washington Nationals. The NA league collapsed after the 1875 season due to several issues, but 6 of the teams plus 2 independent teams banded together in 1876 to form the National League of Professional Baseball Players, still in existence today. Of those original 8 teams, only 2 are still in existence today, Boston and Chicago. However, today those original teams operate as the Atlanta Braves and the Chicago Cubs.

Sources for this article include Baseball Reference.com, Wikipedia and Carrie Cole.

### **Trent Jewett**

He was born as Philip Trent Jewett in March 1964 in Dallas, Texas to Philip Marshall Jewett and Vicki Lynn (Stewart) Jewett. In October, 1995 he married Susan L. Hatcher.

Prior to entering professional baseball, Trent played collegiate baseball for North Texas State University as a catcher. Trent graduated from North Texas State with a degree in business management.

After college, Trent spent 4 years in the Pirate's farm system, playing in Bradenton (FL), Augusta (FL), Princeton (WV), Salem (Va) and Harrisburg (PA). Trent played in 116 games as a catcher ending with a .172 batting average, 2 HR and 26 RBIs.

In 1992 Trent left the field for a career as a manager. His first assignment was as manager of the Welland Pirates, finishing 31-46. In 1993 he was moved to the Augusta Pirates where the team went 59-82. Trent was moved again in 1994, to the Salem Buccaneers, and went 64-75. 1995 saw Trent moved to the Carolina Mudcats, where he managed the team to 89-55 and captured the league



championship. Trent was then moved to the Calgary Cannons, of the Pacific Coast League, where he spent 2 years and went 134-146. In 1998 Trent was posted to the Nashville Sounds, also in the Pacific Coast League. Trent remained with the Sounds through June 2000, generating a record of 176-164. In June 2000 Trent was elevated to the ranks of major league coaches where he became the Pittsburgh Pirates Third Base Coach under Gene Lamont and Lloyd McClendon.

After 2 and a half years in the majors, Trent returned to the minor leagues to resume managing the Nashville Sounds in 2003 and 2004 finishing his stint with the Sounds with record of 320-305, and taking the Sounds to the League Championship Game in 2003. In 2004 Trent was moved to the Indianapolis Indians, where he managed the team through 2008, building up a record of 290-281. Trent took the Indians to the International League's Governors' Cup Finals in 2005 and in 2006 earned a share of the International League's West Division Crown. Although the Indians' performance dropped in 2007, Trent picked up his 900<sup>th</sup> win as a minor league manager. That year he was also selected by Baseball America as the International League's "Best Manager Prospect".

While with the Pirates' organization Trent compiled a managerial record of 989-990. He also saw several of his players advance to the major leagues. Among those still with the Pirates organization are; pitchers Zach Duke, Tom Gorzelanny, Paul Maholm and Ian Snell; catcher Ryan Doumit and outfielder Nate McLouth. Jose Bautista (3B) with the Blue Jays and Ronny Paulino ( C), with the Phillies were also mentored by Trent. Trent's coaching abilities have not been overlooked, and as recently as late 2006, Trent was interviewed by the Washington Nationals as a candidate to replace Frank Robison as manager.

After the 2008 season, the Pirates organization shook up the farm club system, and they release Trent, who had spent 21 years with the Pirate's organization. His absence from the game did not last long, as the Washington Nationals were quick to pick up Trent and place him in charge of the single A Potomac Nationals. On May 1, 2009 Trent picked up his 1,000<sup>th</sup> career coaching win, when the Potomac nationals beat the Wilmington Blue Rocks by a score of 6 – 0. The Nationals finished the year 42 – 28. In the off season the Nationals moved Trent up to the AAA Syracuse Chiefs, for the 2010 season, where he led the chiefs to a second place finish in their division with a record of 76-67.

Information supplied by Websites from the Pittsburg Pirates Baseball organization, the Washington Nationals Baseball organization, and Carrie Cole

## **Travis Jewett**

A native of Tacoma, Washington, Travis Jewett is a 1993 graduate of Washington State. He played two seasons at Lower Columbia College in Longview, Washington before finishing his degree at WSU, where he did not play baseball. After graduating from college Travis began his collegiate coaching career at Tacoma Community College, first as an assistant in 1994 then two years as the head coach. He was the head coach at Edmonds (Wash.) Community College for two seasons, earning NWAACC Coach of the Year and National Junior College Coach of the Year honors in 1998. Travis was also an assistant coach at Gonzaga from 1999 to 2001, helping lead the Bulldogs to a West Coast Conference division title in 2001.

Travis spent three years at Washington coaching infielders and third base. The Huskies made the NCAA Tournament in each of his three seasons (2002-04), reaching the Regional finals all three years. In 2005 Travis moved to Washington State University where he was an assistant head coach and recruiting coordinator through 2009, helping the Cougars to an NCAA

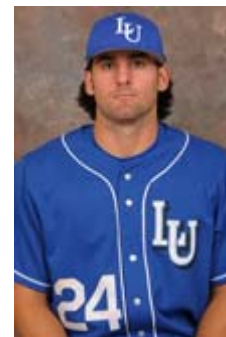


Tournament berth his last year. In 2009 Travis moved to Arizona State University to become an assistant coach and recruiting coordinator.

During his coaching career, Travis has coached numerous Major Leaguers, including Jason Bay, Brent Lillibridge, Bo Hart, Sean White and 2008 Cy Young Award winner Tim Lincecum.

## Chris Chavez

Born Christian Douglas Chavez on December 9, 1987 in Beaufort, South Carolina, Chris is the son of Ivan and Antonia Chavez. Chris spent his freshman and sophomore college years at Brevard Community College and Broward College, respectively. He excelled at both schools, where he played a combined 72 games. His batting average at Brevard was .302, and at Broward was .269, with a combined total of 39 RBIs. Chris then transferred to Lynn University in Boca Raton, Florida, where his major was criminal justice. His junior year in baseball at Lynn was one to remember. While playing first base, Chris started 60 games, batted .345 with 12 home runs, 16 doubles and 65 runs batted in. Chris led the team in home runs and RBIs, was second in total bases (130) and slugging % (.591) and third in doubles. He finished fourth in the Sunshine State Conference in RBIs, T-12th in home runs and hits and T-13th in doubles. Chris opened the 2009 season with hits in 19 straight games, batting .426 (29-for-68) with six home runs, six doubles and 23 RBIs. Standout performances include his first game where Chris went 1-for-4 with a home run and four RBIs, Feb 1, 2009; later he blasted a pair of homers while going 4-for-6 with four runs scored and five runs batted in against nationally ranked South Carolina Aiken; and he had his best day at the plate against Molloy, on Mar. 17, 2009, going 3-for-8 with two home runs and eight RBIs. Chris helped power the Lynn University Fighting Knights to the NCAA Division II playoffs in 2009, where he had the game-winning RBI single in the national championship game against Emporia State May, 30, 2009, with Lynn winning 2-1.



The 2010 season was less successful for Lynn, with The Fighting Knights finishing the season 16-37-1 overall and 6-18 in the SSC. In spite the team record, Chris produced one of his finest seasons at the plate and in the field. He led Lynn University as well as the Sunshine State Conference with a [career](#)-high 15 home runs and 66 runs batted in. In addition, he finished in the top-10 of the conference for slugging % (.663), hits (74), doubles (17) and total bases (138). His .991 fielding percentage this season ranks as the third-highest mark at Lynn while his .987 career fielding percentage is tied for the third best all-time at LU. For his efforts, Chris was honored as a Second Team All-Region selection by two publications, the [American](#) Baseball Coaches Association and National Collegiate [Baseball Writers](#) Association and was named Daktronics Second Team All-South Region. Chavez also earned First Team Gold Glove All-Region accolades by Rawlings/ABCA and was eligible for Gold Glove All-America honors.

Chris had hoped to turn professional, by being selected in the 2010 Major League Draft in early June of this year. However, it was not to be. Rather than enter the minor leagues as a free agent, Chris has opted to finish his degree at Lynn, where he will graduate in December 2010. According to his mother Chris then plans join the fire dept like his grandfather, father, sister and soon to be hired, hopefully, twin.

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