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BUNKER HILL, MA

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NANTUCKET, MA

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Amphill and Tingrith, Bedfordshire, England Parish Records

The BFA Historian has a book: *Bedfordshire Parish Registers* edited by F. G. Emmison, Clerk of Records, Bedfordshire. Published under the auspices of the County Records Committee of the Bedfordshire County Council, ad of the Ven. The Archdeacon of Bedford., Volume XVII, Amphill - 1602-1812, Tingrith - 1578-1812, Bedford County Record Office, Shire Hall 1928.

It contains transcriptions of the parish baptism, marriage and burial records as well as other information.

Is this a good source to prove your ancestry? The original records would be better but most of them are so fragile that they can no longer be scanned or photographed. This is probably the second best source you can find for these records. However, since it is a transcription, there are possibilities of errors. There is a possibility that the original record was wrong. There are, in fact, several errors noted in the book where something has been later changed. There is also a possibility that the transcriber read the handwriting of the recorder wrong, the proof reader did not catch an error or changed something and created an error, or I have made an error in copying. NOTHING is without a possibility of error.

Do these records prove your ancestry? Maybe. What happens where there are records indicating three George Bunkers were alive and living in the same area at the same time? Which one is your particular ancestor? Without more information you would have to make an assumption based upon any other information you found.

New records become available all the time. Those are fraught with error too. Recording everything can sometimes lead to the correct answers but sometimes you are left with just several different possible solutions. A CD of Bedfordshire parish records with images and more data can be purchased online (a recent BFA purchase). <http://www.bfhs.org.uk/parishcd.html>. Bunkers lived in several parishes.

A note in the book states: "The greater part of this volume is taken up by the interesting Register of Amphill; a market-town in the centre of the county. In order to fill the volume to maximum length, a small parish near Amphill has been added." That small parish is Tingrith.

The name Bunker has been spelled many different ways among which are Bunker, Buncker, Bonker, Bunger, Bungert, Banker, Buncher, Bunsher, and Boncoeur.

AMPTHILL BAPTISMS 1602-1812

Aug 24, 1759 William son of William Ann Buncher
Jan 15, 1766 Ann daughter of William Ann Buncher
Dec 20, 1772 Mary daughter of William Dinah Buncher
Aug 21, 1774 Sarah daughter of William Dinah Buncher
Mar 31, 1776 Elizabeth dau. of William Dinah Buncher
May 24, 1778 Thomas son of James Elizabeth Bunker
Sept 17, 1779 Thomas son of James Elizabeth Bunker
Jan 15, 1787 Betsy daughter of James Elizabeth Bunker
June 12, 1791 Mary daughter of James Elizabeth Bunker
Sept 14, 1800 Sam son of James Charlotte Bunker
Nov 30, 1804 Job son of Thomas Mary Bunker
Oct 18, 1805 Sarah daughter of Thomas Mary Bunker
born Sept 21, 1805
Aug 23, 1807 Eleanor daughter of Thomas Mary Bunker
born June 11, 1807
Dec 3, 1809 Eady daughter of Thomas Mary Bunker
born Dec 15, 1808
Dec 8, 1812 Charles son of Thomas Mary Bunker born
Mar 4, 1812

AMPTHILL MARRIAGES

Oct 25, 1803 Thomas Bunker and Mary Burton
June 22, 1812 John Smith and Mary Bunker

AMPTHILL BURIALS

Feb 11, 1760 Mary daughter of William Buncher,
aledraper
May 3, 1765 Mary daughter of William Mary Bunker
Nov 6, 1770 Ann daughter of William Buncher
May 11, 1780 William Buncher, infant
June 11, 1781, Mary Buncher, infant (cont. 2384)

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President's Dialogue

This edition of the Banner contains a list of Bunkers (with multiple spellings) gleaned from the book, *Bedfordshire Parish Registers* in Bette's possession. Included on page **2383** are more names uncovered in the recently purchased CD, of Chalgrave, Bedfordshire events. The list will finalize in the **May 2020** edition with Westoning, Odell and Leighton Buzzard events.

While somewhat tedious to examine, these events document our earliest ancestors and offer clues to the Bunker lineage. The *May Bunker Banner* specifically will note the marriage of George Bunker (C-I) and Judah Maior (probably Judith Majors) in Odell on 9 Aug 1624. George (C-I) arrived circa 1634 at Charlestown, Mass and owned the now legendary Bunker Hill.

Offering no guaranties, Bette gave a hard look at the George (N-I) quandary and the elusive Jane Goddard question that haunts her waking moments (see p.**2378**).

Regretfully, as our association evolves with the present, it is becoming more tolerant of today's ever changing technology and less of a social organization. The eruption of DNA usefulness in closing "cold cases" has produced positive identification to many nameless killers and rapist. Justice for innocent victims comes after years or even decades of languishing in dusty police files. As a retired police officer, I concur with this technique and say, "Book-em Danno."

Whoa, not so fast, exclaimed our historian. Catching bad guys is good but not at the expense of compromising the identity of everyone else. You cannot search DNA files just because they are available and especially without permission. The right to privacy supersedes the right of law enforcement intervention.

"While we all want crooks caught and punished; being investigated by the police simply because you are distantly related to someone you did not even know existed is really hard to handle. Your neighbors and employers think you are a crook and your creditors get really suspicious. And you have no idea why because the police don't come to you and ask you if you know someone in your family that committed a crime, they just check you out with everybody else. If you live in a so-called crime free apartment complex you might even get evicted or have that threat hanging over your head. The right to privacy does NOT supersede the right of law enforcement intervention; innocent people should not be persecuted either. *Bette*"

gil Bunker

Bunker Babble

BETTE BUNKER RICHARDS welcomed on ...*Nov. 19, my third great-great-grandchild, MALOREE LYNN GARRIS. She was born in Spokane, WA and joins her parents Levi Garris and Josephine Dykeman and big brother, Russell.* Congratulations to GGGB on the escalation of her genealogical hierarchy. * **MARY-GENE PAGE**, Fair Oaks, CA sent information regarding Wikitree.com; it contains “mucho” material on **JAMES BUNKER**, born 10 Feb 1639, Slapton, Devonshire. The site is easy to use; just type in the person's name you wish to research. * *Dumpty* by **JOHN LITHGOW** has hit the best seller list. John is a multi-talented descendant of a Nantucket Bunker. His review: "Award-winning actor and bestselling author John Lithgow wields a whip-smart, satirical pen in this poetic diatribe chronicling the last few abysmal years in politics. ... Google Books." John is nice to have in the family; the BFA will respect his privacy and not place his pedigree out there for others to exploit. *Bette* * **MARALYN ANDERSON**. Federal Way, WA mailed some wonderful photographs of past reunions. I especially enjoyed several from the 1998 Madbury Dig when our English cousin **BRIAN JOHN BUNKER** of Hong Kong, joined in the excavation of several stone markers. BFA members participating in the Madbury Dig included (among others) **MARALYN'S** husband **JIM ANDERSON**, **LAUREL BUNKER** Dover NH, **DEL BUNKER** Yakima WA, and **DENNIS STALEY** Olympia WA; none were afraid to get their hands dirty digging for lost markers. The newly uncovered stones yielded no clues to **ZACHARIAH** and his daughter **DORCAS**, buried there in 1750 and 1740 respectively. Thanks Maralyn, you do good! * Thanks to a lead from BFA member **JIM PAXTON**, Lynnwood, WA the association was contacted by Samantha, who wrote: “Hi Mrs. Richards, My name is **SAMANTHA BUNKER DAVIDSON** (New Bern, NC), a great grand-daughter of Milton Isaac (Bunker), Sr. and the only surviving direct descendant of Milton Jr. and Hilda Clanton. I am learning about this side of my family as all of my family on that side, are deceased. I am fascinated that there is so much interest and information on the Bunker family and I look forward to learning more...” - Hi Sam, I have **MILTON ISAAC¹⁰, Jr.** (D-1029B-I; 1982 BunGen p.331) in the database but no children for him so I would appreciate it if you would send information down to and including you. I am attaching a pedigree for you... (the pedigree chart went back to James [D-1] b c1628 Devonshire, England; d 1698 Dover, NH - Samantha updated our files with her and her dad's lineage; see **Dover Branch, 2379**). *Bette* * **Bunky**, when was the last time you updated the files on your side of the family? There must be many events i.e. births, marriages and deaths the BFA should include in the genealogies. Répondez s'il vous plait. *gb*

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Devonshire Bunkers – 2000

-Bette Bunker Richards

Descendents of James (D-1) on a USB flash-drive. Approximately 1,333 pages in length, it updates the 1982 Bunker Genealogy – parts of the 1965 Bunker Genealogy and more.

It includes descendants of:

- James (D-1) Bunker of Dover, New Hampshire
 - Benjamin Bunker & Betsey Daniels, New London, NH
 - Thomas Bunker & Alice Pertie, Rattery, Devon, UK
 - William Bunker & Ann Forrester, New Castle, DE
- Plus:
- Devonshire Parish Records
 - Military service info for Bunkers from all branches
 - Nearly 100 pictures • Maps • Indexes

Bedfordshire Bunkers – 2008

-Bette Bunker Richards

Descendants of

Roger Bunker, Tingrith, Bedfordshire, England available on a USB flash-drive, including:

- George (C-1) Bunker of Charlestown,
 - George (N-1) Bunker of Nantucket
- and the following connected by DNA tests:
- Joseph Bunker (b ca.1797 St. Albans, UK) and Mary
 - Samuel B. Bunker (1849-1890) and Almira Goodwin
 - Thomas Bunker and Clarissa Chamberlin
- Plus:
- Parish records (except Devon) that are copied to date
 - Military service info for Bunkers from all branches
 - Ships named Bunker Hill (with histories & photos)
 - Numerous images and photographs

One book \$25.00; both books on one USB \$35.00; mail to: Shirley Bunker Howell, 38 West 1600 South, Orem UT 84058-7444

- Indicate which flash-drive you want •
- Free Bunker Family History w/USB purchase (International book postage is extra)

Bunker Family Association Library

Bunker Family History –Henry L. Bunker, III; 1984; 147p; +8p index; paperback; \$15.00 each; two for \$25.00.

Bunker Genealogy 1942 –Edward C. Moran; Dover branch James (D-1) to the 11th generation; Maine census records; hardback; index; geographical index; 232pp; \$29.60 \$24.00. We have the last two in stock, ready for shipment.

Bunker Genealogy 1931 –Charles C.W.O. Bunker; with Charlestown, Nantucket, Delaware, Maryland branches; hardback; bibliography; index; 797pp; \$58.85 \$49.00. Only two more remain.

All books w/free USA p/h. – International postage, extra Mail check to BFA President

Military Bunkers

Benjamin Bunker (U-452; RN 20952)

A veteran of the war and apparently made a career as a Gunner in the U.S. Navy and served on the USS *St. Louis* in 1841 and on the USS *Independence* in 1847. (SOURCE: *Bunker Family History* p.101)

INDIVIDUAL NARRATIVE

Benjamin BUNKER (U-452; RN=20952) married Elizabeth __ (RN=20954). He was born on 30 Oct 1791 at Twin to Daniel, Beverly, Massachusetts. Served on the crew of the schooner *Mary* out of Salem, MA. Born in Beverly. Resided in Beverly. Dark complexion 19 Mar 1809. Served on the crew of the schooner *Jeremiah* out of Salem, MA. Living in Salem 29 Jun 1810. Served on the crew of the bark *Patriot* out of Salem, MA. Residence Beverly 9 May 1811. Served on the crew of the brig *Pilgrim* out of Salem, MA 11 Jan 1812. He married Rebecca OBER (20953) on 25 Mar 1813 at Beverly, Essex Co, Massachusetts. Served on the crew of the ship *Alexander Hodgdon* out of Salem, MA 9 Mar 1815. Served on the crew of the schooner *Beverly* out of Salem, MA 16 Nov 1819. He was gunner USS *St. Louis*. He died 25 Jan 1865 at Philadelphia, PA, age 73.

USS *St. Louis*

Re-commissioned on 19 September 1832, *St. Louis* departed New York on 12 October to base at Pensacola, Florida, as a unit of the West Indies Squadron. Spent the following six years, largely as flagship for the squadron cruising the Caribbean. On 28 May 1838, she sailed from Havana for New York where she again was placed in ordinary on 1 July and laid up till 5 April 1839.

St. Louis sailed on 30 June to join the Pacific Squadron at Monterey, California. En route, she put in at San Francisco, California where her commanding officer interceded with the government of California for imprisoned foreign residents. She had the distinction of being the first American man-of-war to carry the flag into that port. Following operations off the coast of Peru, she returned to Norfolk on 15 September 1842 and was laid up in ordinary there the following day. SOURCE: [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/USS_St._Louis_\(1828\)](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/USS_St._Louis_(1828))

USS *Independence*

Benjamin served on the USS *Independence*. In 1846, commanded by Commodore Shubrick, the *Independence* paid its first visit to California, having come around the horn to harass the Mexican coast, at the time of the war with that country. Returning to the east-coast, the frigate became the flagship of the European squadron. It returned to this coast eight years later and has been at Mare Island (CA) ever since.

SOURCE: www.sfmuseum.org/hist6/independence.html

Bette Bunker Richards - 11 Feb 2008

Ed. NOTE: The following WILL, AFFIDAVITS, INVENTORIES, etc are of Benjamin Bunker (U-452) and copied for your perusal in the *Bunker Banner*. They are not included in the mil db, however a notation regarding the location of these documents, will be entered.

A big THANK YOU is extended to our Historian Bette for locating this data cache.

(Below copy in the *Calligraphy* font implies hand-writing.)

Last Will & Testament

I Benjamin Bunker, of the First Ward of the City of Philadelphia, formerly of Charlestown in the County of Middlesex, State of Massachusetts, Gunner in the United States Navy being of sound and disposing mind memory and understanding do make and publish this as and for my last Will and Testament hereby revoking and making void all former wills by me at any time heretofore made.

Item - I direct: that all my just debts be paid as soon as may be after my decease.

Item - I give and bequeath unto my grandddaughter Abby R. Bunker the sum of One hundred dollars.

Item - I give and bequeath unto my friend John McKinley Boatswain in the United States Navy the sum of Eighty dollars, if called for.

And as to the rest, residue and remainder of my estate, real personal and mixed of what nature or kind so-ever and where-so-ever the same may be at the time of my decease I give the same unto my son Benjamin Bunker Junior and my daughter Caroline C. Philbrick their heirs executors administrators and assigns forever to be equally divided between them share and share alike.

I nominate constitute and appoint my son Benjamin Bunker Junior to be my sole Executor of this my Last Will and Testament.

In witness whereof I have herewith set my hand and seal this seventeenth day of December Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and sixty four.

*Signed sealed declared and published by)
the named Benjamin Bunker as own for)
his last will and testament in the presence) Benj Bunker
of us who have herewith subscribed our)
names as witness in the presence of)
the said testator and of such other.)
Samuel F. Flood)
Amelia P. Logien)*

(cont. next page)

City and County of Philadelphia, ss.

Register's Office, Jan. 31 18 65

Then personally appeared Samuel F. Flood and Amelia P. Logien the subscribing witnesses to the foregoing last will of Benjamin Bunker deceased, and on their solemn affirmation did say that they were present, and did see and hear Benjamin Bunker deceased, the testator therein named, sign seal, publish and declare the same for his last will and testament, and that at the doing thereof he was of sound, disposing mind, memory, and understanding, to the best of their knowledge and belief.

Affirmed and subscribed before me, the date above

Samuel F. Flood
Amelia P. Logien
Sam'l Sloyn Register.

City and County of Philadelphia, ss.

Register's Office, Jan. 31 18 65

I do Swear, that as the Executor of the foregoing last will and testament of Benjamin Bunker, decease I will well and truly administer the goods and chattels, rights and credits of the said deceased, agreeably to law ; and that I will comply with the provisions of the law relating to Collateral Inheritance.

Sworn and subscribed before me the date above, and letters testamentary granted unto him

Benjn Bunker
Sam'l Sloyn, Register.

City and County of Philadelphia, ss.

~~Personally came before me, Register of Wills,~~ in and for the said City and County

Lambert R. Walker and W. H. Matthews who upon their solemn oaths did say, that at the request of the Executor they did "well and truly, and without prejudice or partiality, value and appraise the Goods and Chattels, rights and Credits," which were of Benj Bunker deceased, "and in all respects perform their duties as appraisers, to the best of their skill and judgment."

Sworn and subscribed this 27 day of February 186 5 before me
Samuel F. Flood REGISTER

Lambert R. Walker
W H Matthews

Inventory and Appraisement of the Goods and Chattels, Rights and Credits which were of Benj Bunker late of Philadelphia taken and made in conformity with the above deposition:

½ doz Walnut chairs	\$5	\$ 30.00
1 Walnut Table		12.00
1 " Sofa		18.00
1 Looking Glass		3.00
25 Yards Carpet	\$1	25.00
½ doz Cain Seat Chairs		4.50
1 Rocking Chair		1.25

1 Candle	.50
1 Stove	1.50
1 Work Stand	2.50
1 Lounge	3.00
1 Extension Table	8.50
a lott of oil cloth	2.50
1 Cooking Stove	5.00
½ doz Chairs	1.75
1 Lott of Crockery Ware	2.50
1 Lamps 3 Flat irons 2 Coal scuttles	1.00
1 Wash board 1 Basket 1 Bench	.75
Lott Coal	18.00
" Wood	7.00
2 Wash Tubs	2.00
1 Bucket 1 Sine	.75
1 Saw 1 Ax 1 Shovel 1 Cloth (sp)	1.75
Entry oil cloth	1.50
2 Door mats	.50
Store carpet & rods	3.00
Back Room Carpet	2.00
1 Bead Stead	2.50
1 Straw Mattress	1.50
1 Staned Table	3.00
1 Table cover 2 window curtains	1.25
Middle Room carpet	5.00
1 Bedstead	2.50
1 Bucket 2 Boxes	.50
	<u>\$ 176.50</u>
	Over

Amount forward \$ 176.50

25 yds. Carpet	\$ 4.00
1 Side Chair	10.00
1 Rocking do	3.00
1 Small table	1.50
1 Small stove	1.50
1 window shades	1.00
1 Looking glass	.75
1 Clock	3.50
1 Beaurow	10.00
1 Wash stand 2 Ware	3.50
1 Bead quilt	3.00
1 Flax mattress small	1.50
1 Cain do do	6.00
1 Feather bed, bolster, pillows	18.00
1 Walnut Bedstead	<u>4.00</u>
	\$ 245.25

W H Matthews
Lambert Walker

(49/65 Estate of Benjamin Bunker dec. Filed March 3/65)

Benjamin Bunker junior Executor
of Benjamin Bunker dec.
in a/c with said Estate

1865

Feb 3	Amount of inventory and appraisement	\$ 245.25
April	Cash from McPherson purchaser of premises in Tasker Street and under proceedings in O. C.	1300.00
	Policy of Insurance	9.50
	Cash from purchaser of Real Estate proportion of taxes 1865	7.50
	Cash from U.S. Government back pay of decedent	60.45
	Cash from Rent of house	24.00
	Cash from C. S. Close deposit as security for rent	30.00
	Cash from rent of house	<u>11.40</u>
		<u>\$ 1688.10</u>

Contra

	By cash paid for debtors testamentary	\$ 10.55
	By " " " house rent	15.00
	By " " " J. R. Walker for groceries	3.50
Feb 24	By " " " S. Heritage medical services	57.00
23	By " " " for Gas bill	2.48
27	By " " " S. Sterling	5.00
	By " " " appraisal, filing (sp)	5.86
	By " " " house expenses January	20.00
	By " " " S. Wards bill	11.00
	By " " " J. A. Freedman Auctioneer	
	Including order of sale	<u>37.00</u>
		167.39

(Next page)	By Amount Forward	167.39
	By Cash clerk, Orphans Court for bond	4.00
	By " " Paid taxes 1865	10.40
	By " " Paid taxes 1864	11.74
	By Allowance to purchaser for water rent 1865	2.68
	By Cash paid, stamp duty on deed	1.50
	By " " " J.A. Berry, promissory note with interest	51.50
	By " " " B. L. Bullock, undertaker	140.30
	By " " " W. Mitchell	10.00
	By " " " B. Bunker for his claim for services to decedent	100.00
	By " " " for certified copy of will to send to Washington	3.50
	By " " " S. F. Flood, professional Services	50.00
	By " " " filing this account	12.50
	By Commissions on \$ 1676.70 @ 5%	83.80
	By Cash G. Barr, lettering gravestone	5.00
	By Cash paid Abbey R. Bunker	100.00
	By " " " John McStanley	<u>80.00</u>
	Total credits	\$ 834.31

Balance due Estate \$ 853.79
\$ 1688.10

NOTE:

Benjamin Bunker legacies which appear by the above Phila account to have been paid by the Executor he desires him bequeaths __ as follows: and as to the rest residue and remainder of my Estate, real personal and miscea of what nature or kind so-

ever and where-so-ever the same may be at the time of my decease, I give the same unto my son Benjamin Bunker Jr and my daughter Caroline C. Philbrick their heirs executors administrators and assigns forever to be equally divided between them share and share alike. The said parties are of age and are under no legal disability. Despondent was with acquainted with the business of the said Benjamin Bunker dec. and he believes that all the debts have been paid and that the debts which appear to have been paid by the Executor as per his account despondent believes to have been all the debts which were due and owing by the said Benjamin Bunker at the time of his decease.

What the pair Benjamin Bunker Jr and Caroline C. Philbrick who have signed the above written agreement to confirm the Executors account are the residuary legalities and desires of said Benjamin Bunker dec. and the only parties in interest in the balance as shown by said account.

Sworn and subscribed to before)
 me this day in year aforesaid) Thomas J. Berry
 AB Pottingu)
 Aldmn)

Bette Bunker Richards – 7 Nov 2019

More about Jane Godfrey

“In my never ending search to find even one possible record for a Jane Godfrey who may have married George Bunker of Nantucket, I have searched the surname index of the Bedfordshire Parish Records and find no Jane Godfrey of an age that could have married George. The only mention of Elizabeth Godfrey is her marriage to George Bunker in Malden 5 May 1644. We know George was in Massachusetts by 1655 and believe he was there by 1652. There is no record of a Jane Godfrey of an age and single that could have married George in Massachusetts between 1648 when his son, William, was baptized in England and 1652 when his daughter, Mary, was born. We do not know where Mary was born (and) there are no records of her baptism in England that we can find so we assume she was born in America. The only record we have of her birth is the age given in the administration of her father's estate. Figuring from that, we place her birth c.1652 and probably in America. We have no records in America naming Jane Bunker except the administration of George's estate and her subsequent marriage to Richard Swain. I keep looking but we will probably never solve this problem. I do not accept that Elizabeth and Jane is the same person. I believe that Elizabeth died and George then married a woman named Jane but have no idea if this is true.”

Bette – 1 Jan 2020

Dover Branch

Milton Isaac Bunker, Jr.

(D-1027B-I; 1982 BunGen p.331)

MILTON ISAAC¹⁰, JR; Korean War Veteran, served USS *Tarawa* Aug 1946-Jan 1948, S2; b 15 Apr 1929; m Oct 1959, Orange FL to HILDA ELIZABETH CLANTON b 14 Aug 1939, d 14 July 2001. He d 20 Mar 1960, Orlando, FL.

From what I understand Milton came back from the war with severe PTSD and suffered from blackouts, during one of these he passed away. Hilda died from complications after surgery. She had several other children with two other husbands that we know. Milton had only my father.

Samantha

Historian NOTE: Milton's name is on the Mackinac Island plaque with his brothers, a member of VFW, American Legion Post No. 19, DAV, Korean War veteran. Survived by five brothers: Francis Bunker, U.S. Marines, Washington, D.C.; Frank E. Bunker, Orlando; Thomas C. Bunker, U.S. Marines, Japan; Raymond Bunker, Georgia Tech and Carl M. Bunker, Orlando.

Bette

ROGER DALE¹¹ "SAM" BUNKER b 15 Feb 1961 Gaston Co NC; he d 24 Mar 2016 Mecklenburg Co NC, in motor vehicle accident; m 23 Dec 1983 SC to CATHY GERALDINE WEAVER;

SAMANTHA DANIELLE¹² BUNKER DAVIDSON b 22 May 1987 Gastonia NC; m 14 Aug 1983 to NICHOLAS KENT DAVIDSON; 2 issue.

CADE¹³ b 27 Dec 2014 Kailua HI
LUCAS¹³ b 8 Dec 2016 Kailua HI

The Government Wants Your DNA. Don't Run Away

By Max Nisen / *Bloomberg* – 23 Aug 2019

One of the U.S. government's most intriguing health programs is going to start bearing fruit soon. And the more people who join, the better.

The National Institutes of Health's "All of Us" project, launched last year, aims to collect genetic information from at least 1 million Americans and make it broadly available to researchers looking for medical breakthroughs. At least 230,000 people have enrolled in the free program, and 175,000 have contributed biologic samples.

It's not just about blood and spit. The program collects health questionnaires, electronic records, Fitbit data, and physical measurements from people who opt in. And

unlike other similar efforts, it's committed to giving data back to recruits in a useful way. On Wednesday, the NIH announced a partnership with San Francisco Bay area startup *Color*, which will provide genetic counseling services for participants. *Color* will help people understand how genetic test results might affect their health, adding a tangible benefit on top of the initiative's more abstract goals.

The NIH plans to incorporate health claims and even air-quality data, and will follow participants for at least a decade, making the program one of the most ambitious research projects ever attempted – some might even say intrusive. Yes, such a large-scale initiative raises significant privacy issues that will require strict safeguards. The program's long-term potential to improve health across a wide swath of the population, particularly those in marginalized groups and under-served areas, makes it an initiative worth rallying around.

The falling cost of genetic testing is already changing health care. Researchers have developed gene therapies that can alter the course of deadly diseases with a single treatment, as well as effective cancer drugs targeted at specific mutations. Consumer-oriented testing companies are offering genetic insights (of varying quality) into everything from dietary issues to vulnerability to disease.

So-called precision medicine that is informed by genetic data is still the exception rather than the rule, however, and there are considerable gaps in our knowledge. Like just about everything in health care, the benefits of these advances disproportionately flow to wealthy and well-insured Americans. The limited data that is broadly available to researchers isn't diverse and is often divorced from crucial information on the many environmental and lifestyle factors that impact health.

The NIH program is a promising step forward. Under-represented groups, including ethnic minorities, make up 80% of participants so far. The program will continue to target those groups, which will help make future research findings significantly more reliable and easier to generalize. And the more expansive genetic dataset, especially when connected to the variety of other information collected by the study, will help scientists ask and answer a wider range of questions.

*Speaketh not the silent names on chiseled stone,
ancient ancestors who shan't endure; save for
life's memoirs to generations yet unborn,
the progeny of our mortality.*

gb – dec 2000

Genetic genealogy can help solve cold cases. It can also accuse the wrong person.

Under the High Bridge in 1987, 20-year-old Jay Cook's body was discovered. The body of his girlfriend, 18-year-old Tanya Van Cuylenborg, was recovered nearly 80 miles away. The case was unsolved for 32 years, until genetic genealogy emerged.

Under the bridge, on Thanksgiving Day, pheasant hunters found the body of Jay Cook. The 20-year-old had been beaten around the head and strangled with twine tied to dog collars. A pack of Camel Lights had been stuffed down his throat.

Two days earlier, a passerby, more than an hour's drive away had also found a body. It was Cook's girlfriend — 18-year-old Tanya Van Cuylenborg.

"Tanya's body was found mostly nude on the side of the road," said James Scharf, a Snohomish Co. patrolman at the time. "She'd been raped and she'd been shot in the head probably right there on the side of the road."

The couple had come down from Victoria, Canada, to pick up machine parts for Cook's dad, who owned a furnace company. The couple turned the errand into a road trip through Seattle, camping out in Cook's family van, a bronze Ford.

The killer probably "parked under a bridge that he knew was a good out-of-the-way place where nobody would see the van," Scharf told the PBS NewsHour.

"That is where he would have killed Jay, and he would have come back and try to set Tanya at ease" before killing her, too.

The van was found in a parking lot nearby Van Cuylenborg's corpse. There was semen on her body, as well as the hem of her pants, (found) inside the van.

And that's where the trail went cold for three decades. No eyewitnesses. No concrete leads.

At the time, there was no DNA database anywhere in the country to compare the semen and search for a potential culprit. But last year Scharf, now a detective in the Major Crimes Unit, heard about a forensic tool called genetic genealogy.

"Without genetic genealogy, this case never would have been solved," Scharf said. "That's how powerful genetic genealogy is in solving crimes."

Genetic or forensic genealogy combines direct-to-consumer DNA tests — like those purchased through *23andMe* or *Ancestry.com* — with the age-old hobby of tracing a family tree with public records, such as birth certificates and land deeds.

The technique relies on the simple principle that, if you go back far enough in history, everyone is related, and therefore has thousands of relatives. Assuming that an average family has 2 to 3 kids, then a typical person would — statistically speaking — have nearly 200 third cousins, 950 fourth cousins and 4,700 fifth cousins.

If a genealogist can find a cousin of an unknown suspect who has left behind DNA at a crime scene, then they can use old school family trees — sometimes literally drawn on paper or white boards — to track down the perp. That's how the Golden State Killer and about 70 other suspects behind brutal cold cases — rapes, murders and assaults — have been caught since April 2018.

In June, a Snohomish County jury convicted 56-year-old William Earl Talbott, II for the first-degree murder of Cook and Van Cuylenborg. The episode is historic because Talbott's trial and conviction were the first made through genetic genealogy.

From a law enforcement perspective, the case for using genetic genealogy is strong. But experts are also flagging concerns about what the method means for people's legal and DNA privacy.

Big companies like *23andMe*, *Ancestry.com* and *MyHeritage* don't allow police to rifle through their records, at least not without a subpoena or search warrant. So genetic genealogy for cases like Talbott's rely on people who willingly upload their DNA profiles to more public databases - raising the specter of personal health information being exposed.

Genetic genealogy - in truth, any forensics dependent on DNA - can fall prey to the same human biases that plague other aspects of law enforcement. Close relatives or even non-relatives can be accused of the crime if care is not taken with how the genetic genealogy is interpreted.

By Nsikan Akpan - *A digital science producer for PBS NewsHour and co-creator of the award-winning, NewsHour digital series ScienceScope. For secure communication, he can be reached via Signal (240) 516-8357 - 7 Nov 2019*

Ed NOTE: As much as Bette and I believe you should keep abreast of DNA research, unfortunately, this article continues for four more pages. It goes on with a 2014 accusation of a man charged with murder due to a false lead from genetic genealogy. Complexity of the error; its rationalization and a final vindication is fully explored by the author, a digital science producer for PBS. Other areas of research (and infallibilities) are explained including DNA phenotyping and the Fed's Combined DNA Index System, or CODIS.

I can send interested members an attachment or paper copy of the entire article. It is too long for inclusion in the *Bunker Banner* however you may download its entirety at the following site. *gb*

<https://www.pbs.org/newshour/science/genetic-genealogy-can-help-solve-cold-cases-it-can-also-accuse-the-wrong-person>

***Ancestry.com* Policy Statement**

Your privacy is important to us. That's why we want to share our position on a recent event where a Florida judge issued a search warrant to allow law enforcement to search all of *GEDmatch*, an open data personal genomics database. Following the issuance of the search warrant, *GEDmatch* opened its database of nearly one million users - beyond those who had consented to such access - within 24 hours.

Ancestry believes that *GEDmatch* could have done more to protect the privacy of its users, by pushing back on the warrant or even challenging it in court. Their failure to do so is highly irresponsible, and deeply concerning to all of us here at Ancestry. *GEDmatch*'s actions stand in stark contrast to our values and commitment to our customers.

We want to be clear – protecting our customers' privacy and being good stewards of their data is our highest priority. Not only will we not share customer information with law enforcement unless compelled to by valid legal process, such as a court order or search warrant, we will also always advocate for our customers' privacy and seek to narrow the scope of any compelled disclosure, or even eliminate it entirely.

Additionally, each year we release a transparency report that outlines law enforcement requests for member data. To date, we have received no valid requests for information related to genetic information of any Ancestry member, nor have we disclosed any such information to law enforcement.

With regard to this situation, we, together with our partners at *The Coalition for Genetic Data Protection*, which was formed to advance business practices **2381**

that ensure the privacy and security of an individual's genetic data, have issued the following statement:

The Coalition for Genetic Data Privacy is deeply concerned by the recent decision by *GEDmatch* - a publicly accessible genetic database that is neither a member of our Coalition nor a signatory to the Best Practices - to not challenge the search warrant in the interests of their users' privacy.

The Coalition believes that individuals deserve the full protection of the law when it comes to their personal and genetic data. This includes an obligation by companies who process genetic data to commit resources to closely scrutinize and challenge the validity of any warrant, including where the warrant may infringe on individuals' Fourth Amendment rights.

When our users choose to upload their personal genetic data to other services that do not adhere to our Best Practices, they should carefully consider the commitments made by such services as they relate to law enforcement access.

It is incumbent on any company entrusted with sensitive personal information, including genetic data, to approach the issue of law enforcement access with a high degree of scrutiny, transparency, and prioritization of customer privacy.

We deeply value our Ancestry community and remain fiercely committed to providing a protected environment for journeys of personal discovery.

-Eric Heath – 8 Nov 2019 in Website

***23andMe* Policy Statement**

OUR STANCE ON PROTECTING CUSTOMERS' DATA
A Florida judge recently issued a warrant granting law enforcement access to search the database of *GEDmatch*, a small publicly accessible DNA and genealogy research site. Allowing law enforcement access to *GEDmatch*'s nearly one million users should trouble anyone who values people's right to privacy.

It certainly troubles us here at *23andMe*.

Perhaps just as disturbing is *GEDmatch*'s apparent lack of scrutiny and challenge of the validity of the warrant issued. According to reporting by the *New York Times*, the company opened up its database to law enforcement within 24 hours of the judge's decision. Given this timing, it does not appear that *GEDmatch* exhausted all legal avenues to challenge the warrant. In contrast, if we had received a warrant, we would use every legal remedy possible. And to be clear, because our database

is and always has been private, we don't believe that this decision impacts *23andMe*.

In our 13 year history, *23andMe* has never turned over any customer data to law enforcement or any other government agency. Protecting the security and privacy of our customers' information is at the core of what we do as a business. Unfortunately, not all businesses adhere to these same principles. That is in part why we warn our customers about uploading their genetic data to third-party, public websites like *GEDmatch*.

It is also why *23andMe* was the first consumer genetics company to openly publish a Transparency Report, which details the number of government requests we've received for customer data. To date, we've received seven requests for data from 10 of our 10 million customers and we've successfully challenged each one. In addition, we aligned with the non-profit organization *Future of Privacy Forum* and other leading personal genetic testing companies to create best practice industry guidelines to support the industry as a whole in protecting consumer privacy.

All of us have a certain expectation of privacy. In the United States, the Fourth Amendment is meant to protect people's right to privacy and freedom from unreasonable searches and seizures.

23andMe believes that people's right to privacy is worth fighting.

-*Kathy Hibbs, 23andMe* - Chief Legal and Regulatory Officer
- 7 Nov 2019

Another George Bunker

NO. 1129 - The Last Will and Testament of George Bunker (1833) Unity Township, Wilmington Co. (PA) –

I, George Bunker considering the understanding of this Mortal Life and being of sound mind and memory (Blessed be Almighty God from this I came) do make and publish this my Last Will and Testament in manner and form following (that is to say) First I allow and bequeath unto my beloved wife Catherine Bunker that she is to have her maintenance of this my Real Estate while in this her natural lifetime, She is to have twenty four bushels of wheat, ten bushels of corn, ten bushels of oats, five bushels of buckwheat, two brown, one horse and if she chooses, she is to have six sheep and a sufficiency of pasture and hay for the same household and kitchen, bed and bedding as much as she see proper to keep – after my death. Her own room to live in and sufficient quantity of fuel provided for her each year, brought to her door. Item 1st I give and bequeath unto my eldest son Jacob Bunker after my death, all that tract of land situated in Unity Township, it being the same

tract of land on which I now reside to have and to hold to him the said Jacob Bunker, his heirs and assigns forever. But the said Jacob Bunker is to pay out of the same to my wife C. Bunker the above bequeathed items. And likewise eleven hundred dollars out of the same to my daughter twelve years after my death, he is to pay to my daughter Anna Rings three hundred and fifty dollars at the expiration of twelve years, to my daughter Sarah Bowman three hundred and fifty dollars, at the expiration of twelve years. To my daughter Susannah Zimmerman the sum of three hundred dollars. To my daughter Elizabeth Barnheart the sum of one hundred dollars it being a part of her share. Item – I bequeath to my youngest son George Bunker Jr. (cont. p.302) all that tract of land situated in Salem township and county aforesaid it being the same tract of land that my son J. Bunker now resides on but he is to pay out of the same to my daughter the sum of nine hundred eighty four dollars to be paid twelve years after my death paid (sp) to my daughter Elizabeth Barnheart the remaining part of her share it being the sum of eighty four dollars to my daughter Polly Painter the sum of three hundred dollars, to my daughter Catherine Kahl the sum of three hundred dollars, to my daughter Margaret Leorine the sum of three hundred dollars. By him to have and to hold the above mentioned items to him, his heirs and assigns forever. And finally as to all the rest residue and remaining part of my moveable furniture, property, goods and chattels of what kind so ever I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Catherine Bunker. And I make and ordain Adam Fisher & John Leasure Esq Executors of this my last will and Testament hereby revoking all former wills by me made.

In witness thereof I hereto set my hand as seal.

George Bunker (~~Seal~~) in the year of our Lord Eighteen hundred and thirty three December the sixteenth daye. Signed, sealed as per his hand and declare by the above named George Bunker to be his last will and testament in the presence of us who at his request and in his presence have subscribed our names as
Witness thereunto -- *John Kilgore Jun, John Leasure*
Legally proved and approved the 14th day of February A.D. 1834. Same day recorded *V. Sellard* Testamentary ___ to *Adam Fisher*. (John Leasure the witness ___ in said will named reporter to Act.

Adam Fisher sworn before *A. Johnston*

SOURCE: *PA Wills and Probate Records 1683-1993* from *Ancestry.com* - Westmoreland, Case # 1129, Will Books Vol. 1-2, 1774-1839.

Bette reported: *No Jacob with a dad named George and none of the girls with those last names. Nothing in any of the BFA database's and can't find anything on Ancestry.com either.*

Sorry.

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TINGRITH BAPTISMS (cont from p.2373)

- 1572, Feb 4 Thomas son of Oliver Buncker (the first baptism in the register)
1574, May 6 Francis son of Oliver Buncker
1576, Edmond son of Oliver Buncker
1604, Jul 16 Elizabeth daughter of John Buncker
1609, Dec 3 Henry son of John Buncker
1610, Apr 29 Oliver son of Francis Buncker
1611, Feb 25 Jonathan son of Francis Buncker
1613, Jan 23 Frances daughter of Francis Buncker
1616, Oct 6 John son of John Buncker
1617, Apr 6 George son of Francis Buncker
1619, Nov 7 Jane daughter of Francis Buncker
1619, Mar 12 Frances daughter of John Buncker
1621, Apr 25 George son of Timothy Buncker
1621, Mar 3 Joan daughter of Francis Buncker
1623, Oct 26 William son of Timothy Elizabeth Buncker
1624, Nov 17 William son of Francis Tabitha Buncker
1625, Aug 28 Joan daughter Timothy Elizabeth Buncker
1667, May 12 Oliver son of Timothy Bunker
1668, Nov 29 Mary Buncker
1670, Apr 24 John son of Timothy Bunker
1698, Nov 6 William son of Thomas Bunker (agric: (farmer))
1700, Oct 26 Sarah daughter of Thomas Bunker b Oct 25
1705, Aug 20 Sarah daughter of Thomas Sarah Buncker
1708, Jul 25 Thomas son of Thomas Sarah Bunker
1710, May 14 Ann daughter Thomas Sarah Bunker

TINGRITH MARRIAGES

- 1586, Sep 18 William Vause and Alice Buncker
1596, Nov 2 John Charge and Gillian Buncker
1602, Feb 6 John Buncker and Elizabeth Wright
1609, Jul 10 Francis Buncker and Tabitha Davey
1620, May 3 Timothy Buncker and Elizabeth Hawkins
1624, Jul 1 William Page and Elizabeth Buncker
1634, Jul 31 Henry Deacon and Alice Buncker
1672, Jun 18 Oliver Buncker and Alice Page
1797, Oct 11, Edward Ashley of Toddington and Elizabeth Bunker

TINGRITH BURIALS

- 1617, Apr 7 Joan wife of Timothy Buncher
1623, May 18 John Buncker
1625, May 26 Joan Buncker
1631, Feb 12 Tabitha Buncker
1632, Aug 16 Francis Buncker
1636, Dec 3 William Buncker
1651, Oct 3 Elizabeth daughter of John Ann Bunker, infant
1652, Sep 29 wife of Timothy Bunker (her given name is not recorded)
1657, Apr 11 Timothy Buncker
1665, Feb 15 the wife of Oliver Bunker (her given name is not recorded)
1679, Apr 15 Oliver Bunker
1687, Mar 10 John Bunker
1689, no day and month given John Buncker
1692, Apr 1 Alice Buncker
1696, May 10 Ellen wife of Thomas Buncker
1705, Oct 5 Sarah daughter of Thomas Sarah Buncker
1705, Mar 20 Ann daughter Thomas Sarah Buncker
1707, Aug 2 William son of Thomas Sarah Bunker
1724, May 30 Thomas Bunker yeoman
1739, May 15 Sarah widow of Marston Morteyne (a nearby community)

Historian NOTE: The above names and dates are abbreviated in the *Bedfordshire Parish Registers* publication. I have written them in a modern format.

Bette – 7 Sep 2019

Bedfordshire Family History Society, CD

CHALGRAVE BAPTISMS

- Buncker, Ellen d John 2 Feb 1628
Buncker, Mary, d. Thomas 19 Nov 1626
Buncker, Dorothy d. John 21 Apr 1588
Buncker, Edward s. John 30 Apr 1592
Buncker, Robert s. John 23 Mar 1595
Buncker, Elizabeth d. John 19 Feb 1609, Note: Father is Junior
Buncker, John s. John 25 Aug 1611
Buncker, Joseph s. John 22 May 1614
Buncker, Joan d. John 6 Apr 1617
Buncker, Thomas s. John 3 Jan 1623
Buncker, Ann d. Robert 22 Mar 1618
Buncker, Susan d. Thomas 18 Aug 1616
Buncker, Thomas s. Thomas 1 Nov 1618
Buncker, Joan d. Thomas 9 Sep 1621
Buncker, Alice d. Thomas 21 Mar 1624
Buncker, Sarah d. Thomas 19 Apr 1629
Buncker, Thomas s. Thomas 1661
Bucker, John s. John 30 Nov 1581
Bucker, Thomas s. John 21 Apr 1583
Bucker, George s. John 28 Nov 1585
Note: Also Buncker? In Bishop's Transcripts
Buker, Elizabeth s. John 6 May 1580
Note: Also Buncker

CHALGRAVE MARRIAGES

- 1597 July 19 Richard Wrenne, Katherine Bucker
1617 Dec 17 Robert Buncker, Elizabeth Cook, widow

CHALGRAVE MARRIAGE INDEX

- Buncker, Robert 1617 Dec 17
Buncker, Sarah 1664 June 16
Buncker, Frances 1637 Nov 1
Buncker, Thomas 1656 Nov 22
Buncker, Katherine 1597 Jul 19

CHALGRAVE BURIALS

- Buncker, Ann 29 Mar 1618 d. Robert
Buncker, Dorothy 14 Apr 1614 d. Katherine (widow)
Buncker, Elizabeth 18 Jul 1603 d. John
Buncker, John 27 Mar 1609
Buncker, John 8 Apr 1629 s. John
Buncker, John 24 Jul 1637
Buncker, No name 5 Jul 1654 widow (old woman)
Buncker, Alice 8 Feb 1655 wife of Thomas
Buncker, Thomas 6 May 1670 old man
Buncker, Thomas 26 May 1692
(cont. May 2020)

Genealogist NOTE: Elizabeth, born 19 Feb 1609, daughter of John, Jr. married William Johnson in Dunstable 4 Oct 1630, and they arrived on the *Griffin* in 1634 settling in Charlestown, MA where they had nine children. After William died, she married Thomas Carter 24 Oct 1679, who died in Charlestown, MA, 6 Oct 1684. When her father John, Jr. (buried 24 Jun

1637) wrote his will he stated that both Elizabeth and his daughter, Joan (b. 6 Apr 1617) were in America. The Chalgrave Bunkers were in Chalgrave by 1580 and are descendants of John Bunker who died in Potsgrove, Bedfordshire, England, in March 1451. There are no Bunkers listed in Chalgrave after 1700.

Also, this is only family I put together so there may be more to the Elizabeth *Bunker* Johnson family story. Since she arrived in America as early as George (C-1) or possibly earlier, it would be interesting to write more about her and her family. *Bette* – 19 Nov 2019
SOURCE: *Bedfordshire Family History Society*, CD

In Memory Of DOUGLAS A. BUNKER 1962-2019

Bunker, Douglas A. (RN=515289) Kalamazoo, MI - Doug passed away Saturday, September 7, 2019 at his home in Kalamazoo. He was born October 24, 1962 in South Bend, Indiana, the son of Donald and Josephine (Fergusson) Bunker. Doug owned and operated Bunker Insurance Group in Otsego for over 20 years. Doug loved playing and coaching baseball and enjoyed Notre Dame Football and the Chicago Cubs.

On September 28, 1991 at Allegan Congregational Church he married Julie Cook who survives. Also surviving are his daughters, Brianna Bunker of Kent City and Kaylee Bunker of Otsego; sister, Gail Van Polen of Allegan; several nieces and his dog Peanut, who was like a son to Doug.

He was preceded in death by his parents. According to his wishes cremation has taken place. Contributions in memory of Doug may be made to Kalamazoo Christian Schools. Messages may be posted at www.WinkelFuneralHome.com.
Kalamazoo Gazette - Sept. 10, 2019

MARY ELIZABETH BUNKER c1945-2019

Mary Elizabeth *Murray* Bunker (RN=515298), 72, a longtime resident of Stoughton, died peacefully at the Boston Medical Center on Saturday, October 19, 2019 after a period of failing health. Mary was the wife of Robert F. Bunker for 44 years. Daughter of the late John and Mary *Casey* Murray, she was born and raised in Brighton. She graduated from Dedham High School, Class of 1964, earned her Bachelor's Degree at Boston State College and went on to earn her Master's Degree in Microbiology from the University of Massachusetts-Amherst. Mary worked for many years in the laboratory field where she met her husband Robert. For over 45 years she worked for the Goddard Memorial Hospital in Stoughton and the Good Samaritan Medical Center in Brockton as a Medical Technologist.

In her free time Mary enjoyed traveling, especially to Orlando for trips to Disney World. She enjoyed taking cruises, cinema, doing puzzles, and all things related to arts and entertainment. Her true love was reading. Mary read thousands of books and had a special fondness for mysteries.

Mary was the mother of Christine Mirot and her husband Adam of Longmeadow, Elizabeth Catrambone and her husband Gregory of Easton, Robert Bunker II and his wife Margo of Burlington and Jonathan Bunker and his wife Pamela of Stoughton. Mary was the grandmother of Ranen, Abigail, Kyle, Alex, Lincoln, Elsie and Sterling. She survived also by her dear friends Terri and Freddy Hansen.
Funeral Services: Private.

Donations may be made in Mary's name to the MSPCA, 350 South Huntington Ave., Boston MA 02130.

JIMMY LEE BUNKER 1956-2019

Jimmy Lee "Jim" Bunker (RN=515307), age 62 of Jenison, formerly of Fremont, passed away Friday, May 24, 2019 at his home in Jenison following a six year battle with cancer. Jim was born on July 25, 1956 in Fremont to Floyd and Jean (Dewey) Bunker and graduated from Fremont High School in 1975. Jim later moved to Coopersville and ten years ago moved to Jenison. Jim had been a machinist at SPEC Tool for 19 years and later retired from Best Machine Products. He enjoyed attending classic car shows, had won several car show awards with this S-10 Blazer he modified, enjoyed fixing small engines and tinkering, riding his bicycle in his younger years and was always willing to go out of his way to help others.

Jim is survived by his daughter, Sarah (Joe Kunard) Bunker of Hudsonville; his grandchildren, Grace and Devin Kunard; his brother, Scott (Susan) Bunker of Fremont; his nephew, Scott Bunker Jr.; great nephew and niece, Ethan and Kayleigh; his aunts, Dorothy Wolford of Fremont; Joyce Trudell of Walker.

Celebration of life service: June 29, 2019 at the Sherman Township Hall where hot dogs and burgers will be provided and friends are encouraged to bring a dish to pass and share fellowship and memories of Jim.
Interment: Sherman Township Cemetery.
Memorial contributions: Spectrum Health Foundation for the Lemmon Holton Cancer Pavilion in Grand Rapids.

Can you identify these Bunkers? The BFA requests assistance.

Bunker Bard

I WONDER

I saw a flock of geese fly by
Across the bright blue springtime sky,
They know not which is north or south
Or when the seasons change,
But they always find their way back home
To their favorite nesting range
Across the land so far and wide.
Do these geese know God is their guide?

-Maude *Woolley* Bunker, D-795-D
(1894-1982)