

March 26, 2024



Dear Family Member,

Greetings to you on behalf of the Roberts, Borders, Mauney, Howell, Briggs and Related Families. We hope that this letter finds you in good health and high spirits. As we anticipate the upcoming reunion, we are reaching out to you with excitement and a humble request for your support.

As the Reunion Committee plans for our 119th Annual Family Reunion, the challenge for our committee is to continue to offer an outstanding weekend of reunion activities for everyone to enjoy without dramatically increasing the registration fees. As we plan for our 2024 Family Reunion, we ask you now for your support to make a "one time" gift to help increase the Reunion Treasury so that we will have the necessary funds to conduct the business of the reunion and make appropriate arrangements for reunion planning. Note, this donation will not be applied to your 2024 Registration Dues. It will go directly to the Family Reunion General Fund. Your gift of any size will be appreciated.

We ask that you send your gift by May 1st to: **RBMHB Family Reunion, P.O. Box 16175, Charlotte, NC 28297-6175.**

In addition, the Reunion Committee is faced with adjusting the reunion registration fees to more closely cover the actual per person expenses associated with hosting the reunion weekend events. For example, the Sunday banquet actual cost per plate (including tax and gratuity) is approximately \$52 per person. The Saturday picnic actual cost per person is approximately \$30 per person.

To address this matter, the committee has made the difficult decision to increase registration fees effective 2024 as follows: Family Members age 13 and older for the reunion weekend (Saturday/Sunday) will be \$85 per person; children ages 4-12 years old will be \$50 per child, children 3 and younger is free. Saturday Only attendees will be asked to pay \$40 per person. Sunday Only attendees will be asked to pay \$60 per person.

The bus tour, which is a highlight of the reunion weekend, creates a hard cost of about \$2,000 for the bus/driver expense. Thankfully, in past years, the expenses for the bus/driver have been underwritten by several family members who collectively covered this cost. We are working hard to generate this same support from family members. If you are willing and able to donate to the bus/driver expense for the reunion, please do so.

Family members who go on the bus tour will be asked to pay \$20 to cover the expense of their Box Lunch which includes a sandwich, beverage and dessert. The bus holds 52 passengers, so register early to secure your seat.

You will find the 2024 Registration Form on the reunion website - <https://www.1906family.com/>
Click on the REGISTRATION TAB and register now. This will help tremendously with planning for the 2024 family reunion.

Also, the committee is planning some very exciting fund raising activities which will include a Silent Auction of art and artifacts, reunion raffles with great prizes, etc. We're also planning for a Youth Car Wash - \$20/car - on Saturday morning, August 3rd beginning at 8:00 a.m. until noon at the family reunion. Visit the reunion website for more details about these and more exciting reunion fundraising activities and learn how you can participate.

If you have any questions or concerns, feel free to contact me or any of our committee members. Thank you for your understanding, and most of all, thank you for your financial support and response to this appeal.

Sincerely,

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