Pendleton Family



he Pendleton name was brought to Frankenmuth in 1958. Fred, his wife, Marie, and two sons, Kevin and David, moved to Frankenmuth so that Fred could work at Central Industrial Engineering in Bridgeport, Michigan, as a tool buyer.

Fred Arthur Pendleton was born on August 22, 1930, in Gate City, Scott County, Virginia. He attended rural schools and graduated from Gate City High School on May 26, 1947, at the age of 16. He moved north looking for employment and eventually settled in Detroit, Michigan, in 1949, where he went to work for Hudson and Dodge Motor Company.

On Feb. 1, 1951, Fred entered the United States Air Force and served in the United States, Japan, Korea and Guam. He returned to the United States in the spring of 1954. On September 11, 1954, Fred married Marie A. Affendikis at Central Woodward Christian Church in Highland Park, Michigan. Fred and Marie resided in Mesa, Arizona until his honorable discharge in 1955.

Fred and Marie returned to the Detroit area where Fred was employed by the Burroughs Corporation in the fledgling computer industry.

Their first two sons were born in Detroit: Kevin Clayton on November 13, 1955, and David Allen on July 2, 1957. Their third and fourth children were born in Frankenmuth: Sandra Marie on July 8, 1959, and Kraig Arthur on March 19, 1966.

Fred and Marie became self-employed as industrial tool distributors in November of 1965, operating as the F. A. Pendleton Company, celebrating 30 years of operation in 1995.

Fred is a charter member of the Jaycees and a present member of the Frankenmuth Chamber of Commerce. He has also worked with Boy Scout Troop 3255 as a committeeman and chairman. Fred and Marie are members of the Bridgeport Community Church, where their children were baptized. All four children were educated in the Frankenmuth Public School system. Fred and Marie presently reside in Frankenmuth.

Kevin C., a pharmacist, married Jennifer Reindel. They have two children, Adam and Emily.

David A., an investment broker and financial planner, married Lori Geyer. They have four children: Shanna, Nicole, John David, and Zachary.

Sandra Marie, a banker married Stephen Cilek. They have two children, Charlie and Sophia.

Kraig A., having earned a Masters in business from the University of Michigan, is presently working in advertising. He married Sara Weber. They have three children: Joshua, Luke and Caleb.

The Pendleton name can be traced to the Pendletons in Lancashire, England, where George Pendleton, Esq. lived. The great grandsons of George Pendleton, Esq. came to Virginia in 1674. They were Phillip, a 24 year old teacher, and Nathaniel, a minister of the Church of England. Nathaniel died without issue, leaving all to be descendants of Phillip.

Fred Arthur Pendleton's ancestors settled in the foothills of the Blue Ridge Mountains, later known as Scott County. Fred Arthur's paternal grandparents were John L. born July 29, 1869, and Eleanor B. nee Penley born November 27, 1873.

Fred Arthur's father was Charles Clayton born April 19, 1899, and his mother was Emma Alice nee Templeton born April 19, 1899.

