

2010 Dingler Reunion to be held in Mobile, Alabama, July 16-18

By Scott Ladewig (scott@ladewig.com)

The 2010 Dingler Family Reunion will be the 31st annual gathering of our group. We'd like to thank everyone for their continuing interest in keeping the group going for all these years, and we're looking forward to a good turnout in Mobile this year.

This will be the second time the reunion has been held in Mobile and the first since 1991.

The Wingate by Wyndham has reserved a block of 30 king and double rooms for the reunion. The rate is \$89 per night plus tax. A free deluxe hot continental breakfast is offered daily. Make reservations before July 8th to receive the special rate, and specify that you are with the Dingler reunion.

Our dinner and meeting on Saturday night will be held at 5 p.m. at Wintzell's Oyster House in downtown Mobile. Dinner will be a buffet and we have a great menu picked out. Details on menu and location are provided later in this newsletter. There is no need to prepay, but we do need to know how many people will be attending for the caterer. Please let us know how many people will be at dinner. You

can email us or use the enclosed form to RSVP.

As always, during the day on Saturday is your time to enjoy the city of Mobile. We will have local information available in the hospitality room when you arrive, but here are a few suggestions.

Interested in military history? You won't want to miss a visit to the USS Alabama Battleship!

Do you enjoy gardens? You can visit Bellingrath Gardens, Kirk House &

Garden, and the Mobile Botanical Gardens!

Civil War buff? Check out the Fort Gaines Historic Site, Historic Blakeley State Park, or the Civil War Trail: Battle for Mobile Bay!

Things are shaping up to make this a great reunion year. We're looking forward to seeing all of you and hope to see some new faces this year. As always, our website (see the bottom of the page) contains the latest information about the reunion.



Look how much fun Linda Hunt and Dick & Annette Bates were having last year in LaGrange! Don't miss out! Be sure to join us in Mobile in July.

Stay in Touch!

Do you have news you want to share? Pass it along so we can post it on the web site and include in the newsletter. You can contact us in multiple ways:

E-mail: info@dingler-family.org
US Mail: Dingler Family
c/o Scott Ladewig
433 Coventry Trail Ln
Maryland Heights, MO 63043

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If you received this newsletter in the mail, you can help us reduce expenses by asking us to send it to you via e-mail.

Printing, stuffing envelopes, and postage all add up in time and money. We understand that not everyone is online, but if you are, please send your name and e-mail address to us at info@dingler-family.org to start e-delivery.

Every little bit helps! Thank you!

Report from the 2009 Reunion in LaGrange, Georgia

By Kristin Smith Ladewig (kristin@ladewig.com)

Were you at the reunion in LaGrange last year? If not, you missed the fun of tromping around cemeteries (some in better conditions than others) and taking the “scenic route” through the Georgia countryside.

The 2009 reunion was held in LaGrange, Georgia, the site of the 1998 reunion. This reunion marked the 7th time we’ve met in Georgia. Georgia has now tied Alabama, but still has a little way to go to unseat Mississippi as the site of the most reunions, with nine total.

The Best Western Lafayette Garden Inn in LaGrange was our home base for the weekend. People seemed to like the convenience of having an attached IHOP restaurant. Free breakfast as part of the room rate wasn’t too shabby either. We had 57 people sign the guest book which was a respectable turnout for 2009!

On Saturday, a group went to visit the Old Whatley Cemetery where Nancy Paschall Dingler is buried. As you may recall, installing Nancy’s marker was the highlight of the last reunion in LaGrange. Afterwards, the group journeyed on to find and visit the Bushby Creek Cemetery in Carroll County.

On Saturday night, we met for our dinner at the Cracker Barrel Restaurant. We had a bit of an issue as the plans we had made with the manager at the restaurant didn’t get communicated to everyone, but we managed to straighten things out and dinner went off without a hitch. We had our own room for dinner and filled it completely. Everyone ordered off the menu and enjoyed a good meal with friends and family.

After dinner everyone gathered back at the hotel meeting room for conversation, cookies, and cake! One highlight of the evening was the first virtual reunion attendee. My husband Scott was not able to attend the reunion because our dog Collen was very ill. Collen recovered and is doing great now, but at the time it was touch and go. Since Scott couldn’t attend in person, we used Skype to let him attend via a video conference.



2009 Reunion Attendees at Old Whatley Cemetery

Help Support the Cost of Mailings

By Scott Ladewig (scott@ladewig.com)

Each year, we take up a collection at the reunion to help defray expenses related to the event. Our biggest expense is for mailing the reunion postcard and newsletter, and the people who attend the reunion have been subsidizing those who don’t.

As postage increases each year, the cost to produce and send these mailings also goes up. We’re shifting to email as much as possible, so if you have an e-mail address, please let us know. If you don’t have an email address, please consider sending a small donation. A donation as small as \$5 will help cover costs for the next few years of mailings to you.

You can donate online using PayPal by going to the Dingler Web site and clicking the Donate button. If you aren’t online, you can send your donation to the address on the front page of the newsletter. If you send a check, make it payable to Scott Ladewig and put “Dingler Reunion donation” in the memo line. We’ll acknowledge your donation on the web site.

Thanks!

Can you help find these People?

Mailings to the following people have been returned for various reasons. If you know a current address for any of these people, please let us know. Names are listed alphabetically by last name and include the last known city and state.

Don & Beryle Almack (Moore OK)
Charles & Ann Anderson (Nashville TN)
Paul & Brenda Chapman (Fort Valley GA)
Alfred Dingler (Fayetteville GA)
Callie H. Dingler (Moreland GA)
Dennis Dingler (Teaneck NJ)
Glenna Dingler (Loganville GA)
Lamar Dingler (Little Rock AR)
Mary Dingler (Texarkana TX)
Rev. Ralph Dingler (Rome GA)
Thomas Garry Dingler (Cumming GA)
W. E. Dingler (Donaldson AR)
Ruth Dingler Haines (Moreland GA)

Jackie Jones (Whitesburg GA)
Mary Ann Dingler Kee (Magnolia AR)
Michelle Phillip (Bowman SC)
Annie Price (Raleigh NC)
Docia Dingler Stanford (Springhill LA)
Martha M. Stanford (Louisville KY)
Dawn Stanley (Woodstock GA)
Mardha Stephens (Cumming GA)
Bill & Barbara Swearingen (Kodiak AK)
John W. Vaughn (Mesquite TX)
Fay Dingler Wilson (Georgetown FL)
Jimmy & Melanie Winkles (Flowery Branch GA)
Larry Winkles (Flowery Branch GA)

2010 Reunion Dinner – Wintzell’s Oyster House (Please RSVP!)

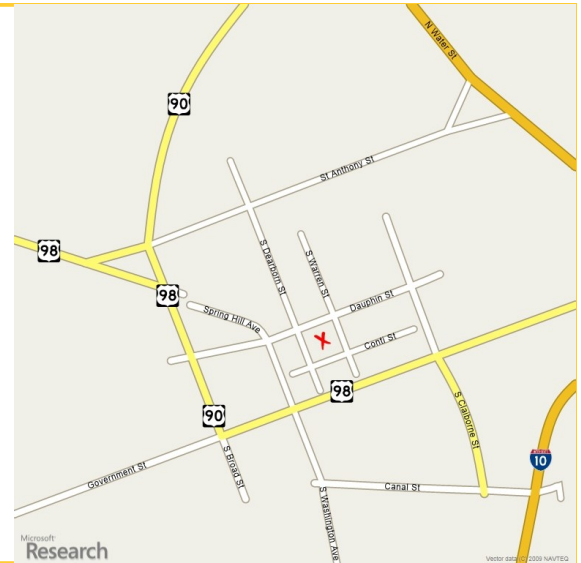
Our Dinner and Meeting will be held at Wintzell’s Oyster House in Downtown Mobile. There will be a buffet dinner this year. Your cost per person is \$20 which includes your meal, beverage, gratuity, and local tax. No extra charges! Our menu:

Entrée: Grilled Jumbo Shrimp, Honey Citrus Chicken
Sides: Macaroni & Cheese, Turnip Greens
Dessert: Peach Cobbler
Beverages: Soft drinks, tea, coffee

Directions from Hotel:

1. Turn left onto Spring Hill Ave (becomes US-98) for 4.6 miles
2. Bear right on S Scott St and immediately turn left on Dauphin St.
3. Wintzell’s is on the right at 605 Dauphin St.

Parking is available on the street and in a designated lot.



Yes, we’re coming to dinner!

Name

Address

City/State/Zip

How many Adults?

How many Children?

If you are coming to dinner, please let us know how many people will be in your party.

If you have e-mail, send your response to:
reunion@dingler-family.org

Or cut out this form and mail it to:

Dingler Family Reunion
433 Coventry Trail Ln
Maryland Heights MO 63043-5135

2010 Reunion Hotel

Our hotel for the 2010 reunion is the Wingate by Wyndham in Mobile. We have a block of rooms reserved for the reunion at a special rate, but you have to book by July 8. The hotel provides a free Hot Deluxe Continental Breakfast each morning.

King or Double Room \$89 + tax per night

Call the hotel to reserve your room and be sure to ask for the Dingler Family Reunion rate.



Wingate by Wyndham
516 Springhill Plaza Ct
Springhill Ave & I-65
Mobile, AL 36608

(251) 441-1979

Web Site: <http://tinyurl.com/33m9rez>

Hotel Amenities include:

- Free Hot Deluxe Continental Breakfast
- Free high speed wired & wireless Internet
- Fitness Room & Whirlpool
- Outdoor Pool
- Microwave & refrigerator in room
- Neutrogena bathroom amenities

The hotel is right off of I-65 at Exit 5A.

From the North

I-65 to Exit 5A Springhill Ave
Go straight to Springhill Plaza Ct
Hotel is on right.

From the South

I-65 to Exit 5A Springhill Ave
Turn left on Springhill Ave
Turn right on Springhill Plaza Ct
Hotel is on right.

