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From The Editor

HAPPY HALLOWEEN!

Welcome to the October issue of *The Summitt Family Quarterly*. I guess the most important piece of news I should tell you is that Mary is doing fine. She has recovered from her broken ankles and is now hobbling around the house and even comes down to the office again now. She has an air brace on the right ankle but otherwise she doesn't have any casts or braces anymore. We want to thank all of you who emailed or called about her.

This issue has some really great stuff. Back in the early 1970's, my family and I were living in Jonesboro, Arkansas. We lived out north of town on Highway 141. I had started searching for the family roots a couple of years before but really wasn't getting very far. About that time, a Bill Summitt and his family moved in across the highway from us. We weren't able to figure out how they were connected at that time. That's why I am so excited and happy to see Paul C. Summitt's article on William Harrison Summitt. This article answers a lot of questions for me.

You'll also notice that we're continuing to publish the notes from the St. Paul's Lutheran Church Records. These records are extremely interesting in how they provide insight into

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LINE OF WILLIAM HARRISON SUMMITT

Introduction

This is a brief story of a remarkably uniform line of William Harrison Summitts stretching from the birth of the original William Harrison Summitt in Nicholas county, Kentucky about 1829 to a modern William Harrison Summitt III currently living in Arkansas--a name line broken only once in those 170 years. The original William Harrison Summitt was rooted in the early Summitt settlers of Kentucky who came to settle Summit Station (Fort) in current Nicholas county about 1783. See, *Early Kentucky Summitt Families*, *The Summitt Family Quarterly*, Vol. 4, issue 1 (April 1998) and *Kentucky Summitts--The Second Generation*, Vol. 4, Issue 2 (July 1998). The information contained herein has been drawn from material supplied by numerous individuals, particularly Donna Wade Summitt, wife of the late William Harrison Summitt Sr., of Ash Flat, Arkansas, Myron and Mary Elizabeth Robbins of Sheridan, Indiana, Glen Summit of Beverly, Massachusetts, and David and Jean Simrak of Albuquerque, New Mexico.

The generations of William Harrison Summitt are:

George and Rosannah Graham Summitt
James and Mariah Barnett Summitt
William Harrison and Isabelle Morris Summitt
William Harrison and Martha Ellen Klingler Summitt
Mitchell H. Summitt and Goldie Sherley

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