

## People Involved in Mission to Millboro

Underlined name means current life

**Bold means name in Millboro**

**Red means a major player in the Millboro story.**

Maurine Williamson: born 1950; was Rebecca, **Becky** in Millboro; \1861 or 31; war; north and south; Marlboro, VA; hot springs in the town; found Millboro on the map; mentioned Robin's Nest; Rebecca Ashford; people pronounced it Marlboro; "cute kid;" had 8 children, 5 survived; wore hair down which was "wanton;" as a girl--fun, loving, warm, and friendly; met John in her father's blacksmith shop; married at about 15; happy go lucky, fun loving; enjoyed love-making; good cook; made carrot cake for John; explained that Guy Fawkes Day was a big event in Millboro; Later on, Becky had an affair with Charley, the man who trained horses; she loved John--said "John is my heart. Peter is my soul." (She called Charley Peter.) Becky also had an affair with Samuel; baby Peter was actually Samuel's baby; John knew by looking at him that he was not his; Becky was 36 when Jake Bauer was hired to kill her; Jake took her to the barn, raped and strangled her; baby Peter witnessed it; John, with Charley and Jeff, hung Jake; Becky's reputation was so bad in town because Constance talked so much, and she lied and gossiped; Becky's family spread the word that she had died in the epidemic; in trance, Peter and Elizabeth realized that John was a Northern spy and Charley a confederate spy, and that Becky's death was because of the war, etc.

Barbara Roberts: born 1930; **Liz**; "Singing Bird," John's mother; Becky's mother-in-law; remembered Green Valley about 10 miles from Millboro; Liz raised among the Indians until school age; then father (Frank Gillian) took her to live with his brother in Louisa County; uncle made her work hard; some schooling; sold at 14 to a man named Jud Aushlick--Ailstock, married, lived on a farm in Green Valley; beautiful girl; Jud died about a year later; she stayed to work the farm--didn't like it; husband's and family didn't like her; she met an Indian, White Eagle or Little Eagle, who helped her work; they fell in love; married and moved to Robin's Nest, an Indian village; had son--Pony Boy; when she moved into town with son, Little Eagle would come to see her at night; town did not know she was Indian; she made bread to sell and did sewing; the women wore hoop skirts; Liz was making one for Becky; Liz took Becky's death extremely hard; she withdrew for weeks and was unable to function;

**John Daniel Ashford** (Aushlick); Pony Boy; born in Robin's Nest; mother Indian--Liz; when two years old, Indiana council decided that Liz should move into town and raise him as white so he could get an education and help the Indians; John did not know his father was an Indian (Little Eagle) until he was 8 years old; he came to love and respect his father; married Becky; became a lawman in town; had an affair with Rose who ran a bawdy house; Becky called him Peter (her rock); John did not help much with the children; he was gone a lot; he was head of a Union spy ring; had affair with Rose to get information; thought he was doing right; John brought letters from Phillip to Honey as part of spy ring; John realized that Charley had a girlfriend but didn't know who; Union sympathizer knew it was Becky who might give information; John was completely devastated by Becky's death; cried; began drinking constantly; Charley and others covered for him in his work; after the war, the epidemic, and his children were settled, he left Millboro. He went to live with the Indians, eventually joining the Sioux in the Dakotas.

Robin Park: Canadian, born 1925; remembered being short Indiana woman; **Warm Sun**; was at Liz's wedding; friend of Liz's--taught her English Warm Sun taught Liz the Indiana ways; married to a tall man; she's not too bright; died from a fever before middle age; stated that in this life she worried about living long enough to raise her children; also stated that Warm Sun was leary of the hypnotist when under hypnosis because she was white. She told how the soldiers made the Indians leave Robin's Nest in the Fall after the war.

Don: Robin's ex-husband; had been **Warm Sun's husband** in Robin's Nest; remembered being killed by a bear; when

Warm Sun died, he promised to raise children on berries and vegetables, not meat;

**Linda Roberts Ross:** Barbara Robert's daughter; **Mary** in Millboro; friend of Liz's in town; lived across the road; husband was Steven; during war soldiers kept taking her horses; she sold eggs in town; Steven went to fight and she couldn't keep the farm; had to leave;

**Nancy** (not her real name): **Constance** Waverly in Millboro; rich and spoiled; Becky's childhood friend; father cold, rich politician; grew up with servants; she and Ava loved Becky who played the clown for them; father made her marry his friend Garrett at 15; she hated him; Constance and Nancy both had flaming red hair; became involved with Lieutenant Orr when war started; also had an affair with Derrick, an underwear salesman, but she told him she was Becky; Constance when married had a housekeeper she hated called Buelah Blackbottom--also called Waddles;

**Alice:** **Ava**, Constance's mother; didn't like her life or husband; was happy only with Constance; considered unbalanced; people mentioned her lovely grey hat and grey dress to match; hat came from a catalogue, but dress was made by dressmaker in town; called Mrs. Waverly; very beautiful and well dressed but very unhappy; soon after her husband died her house burned down--probably set by her; husband involved in black magic--one reason Ava wanted to burn it down--to rid it of evil; her husband had several women on the side and she knew about them; very artistic and drew pen and ink drawings; went to live with Constance after her house burned; Ava took Becky to the bawdy house to prove that John was having an affair with Rose;

**Joe Nazarowski:** born 1947; **Charley** Morgan in Millboro; came to town a couple of years into the war; cavalry officer who had been wounded at battle of Shiloh, walked with a limp; came to Millboro to train horses for the Confederacy; Charley went to West Point, class of 1861; commissioned into Union Army; then resigned and joined Confederacy; corral in middle of town near the railroad stock loading area; became friends with John and helped him with constable duties; would go on hunting trips--actually to find out about where the Yankees were; the Indians helped him (for pay) avoid moonshiners in the hills; he gambled and drank; had an affair with Becky; she had tended his leg when injured by a horse; Becky snuck into his room many times at the Boarding House; Charley felt guilty about the affair because he liked John; after the war left Millboro; he worked to organize the South to rise again and directing them in acts of sabotage; he died of a head injury after a fight in a bar. Later, under hypnosis, it was found that Charley had an undercover mission: specific orders to secure the railroad, blow it up, also the two tunnels if the Yankees ever threatened to take Millboro.

**Linda Ross: Mary;** friend of Becky's; told about Katy's Tunnel; tried to comfort Liz after Becky's death;

**Katie;** prostitute; set up business in a tunnel; put up a lantern when open for business; was eventually run out of town. tunnel was still called Katie's Tunnel;

**Millie Sproule:** **Honey;** operated the Boarding House--husband had won in a card game; she was a good cook and a hard worker; very generous; had a big heart; loved to dance; told words to the chicken song; married unhappily to Thomas Mason who was shot in a card game; Honey found lots of Confederate money in his office after he died; she changed it to gold and put it in the bank; liked Phillip, a Union soldier who went to war; had two girls--Martha died in a drowning accident; baby died in an epidemic; she participated with John in the spy ring; helped John and Rose see each other; John brought her letters from Phillip; Honey comforted Charley after Becky's death; he cried for hours; John took Peter to Honey after Becky died and asked her to take care of him, which she did;

**Rose;** ran a bawdy house on the edge of town; John was having an affair with her; John had been ordered by the Union to consort with Rose to get information; Constance told Becky about the affair;

**Diana Lovegren:** **Elizabeth**, one of Becky's children; first to be regressed by Dee Hahn--another hypnotist invited to join the study; accurately described Millboro as a child; told of all the supplies stacked around town; many soldiers who kept to themselves; didn't like the man who trained horses--he was mean (Charley); father dressed like a constable--was John; a loner; at 6 Becky did not make her go to school; she did not like to be around other people; cousin Lila was about the only one she spent time with; Peter in trance complained that Elizabeth tattled on the other children; in trance she told that little Elizabeth, 2 yrs old, had witnessed Becky's murder; Elizabeth-- later p. 110 it says that she was 9 when Becky was killed and she married John Thacker 3 years later at 12. He worked in the feed store and later owned it. She had three children and a good life. She died in 40's from illness.

**Jan Dunwoody:** recognized Diana Lovegren when regressed to Millboro; Jan was a friend of Marge Rieder, the author; stated that she felt instant hatred when she saw Joe Nazarawski (in this life; his office was near hers) even though she didn't know him; thought she might be part of the story; turned out to be **Lila**, Elizabeth's cousin; as a young woman was planning to marry Robert; as a child she doesn't like Charley--"He is hateful and mean to the horses and he whips them."

**Luke Gremling:** **baby Peter**--Becky's youngest; (Other children at the time--Priscilla 12, Robert 10, Rachel 7, Elizabeth 6, Peter 6 months) Peter remembered his mother Becky crying at night and parents arguing because John was gone so much; complained in trance that Elizabeth tattles on the kids and on Charley when Charley holds baby Peter on a horse; went to live with Honey after the murder; he liked Honey and she him; Maureen's youngest son; was **baby Peter** in Millboro, Becky's youngest baby by Samuel; under hypnosis he told of seeing the murder, living later with Honey, moved away with Honey when she married her soldier boyfriend after the war; at 18 he had a girlfriend named Becky. He was interested in becoming a Texas Ranger but was too young. Under hypnosis he knew that John was not his real father; Charley had sent money from time to time when Peter lived with Honey; Honey kept a tight rein on him; did not want him to get out of her sight; he finally left Virginia to go to Texas to be a Ranger without telling Honey; he left her a note; he knew she would not have let him go. One Texas Ranger post turned him down when he told him his real age. He went to another and lied about his age and got it. They trained him for three weeks, and he was a Ranger. Stationed in a small town in Texas, he fell in love with Sally, who ended up being killed in a gun battle he had with a felon. Later, at 42, he married a Becky and had three children. When he retired, he went back to Millboro for a while to try to solve his mother's murder. He had no luck. He was shot and killed at 64 by someone he had sent to jail while on a trip to visit their grown children.

**Jeff;** was John's cousin and Lila's father; worked in the general store, then the mill; help John as a deputy when needed; helped John and Charley hang Jake after the murder;

**Dave Gremling:** **White Bear**; flaming red hair, lots of freckles; a small boy crying, was teased by Indian children; Singing Bear rescued him; he was left by a wagon train going west; lived in basement of bar for two years; swept it out and was given food; White Eagle took him to woods and helped him make a cave to live in; taught him to hunt small animals; brought him bread from Liz; a deer in the winter; he brought Pony Boy (John, his son) sometimes to play but had to be secretive so John wouldn't be found out as an Indian; grew into strong man; worked for the blacksmith, who called him Derrick and gave him a horse; White Bear rode often in the hills around town; he was secretly in love with Becky. Under hypnosis it came out that he felt guilty for not saving Becky from being killed. White Bear had lived in a cave since he was about 7 years old. He died alone on the top of his mountain when he was about 50.

**Smokey Williamson:** **Samuel**; ran ammunition, sold guns; printer and journalist; Union spy; upset with North but John straightened him out; wrote paper Pen and Quill; had to write against North to keep his cover; revealed that John was head of the Union spy ring around Millboro; the spy ring met in a shack; a young black boy named Coffee lived there also and would fetch John when any member of the spy ring would appear; he had an affair with Becky; he was baby Peter's real father. In later years, he sent money via the little black boy named Coffee to Honey, who was raising Peter. He was described as a printer from Roanoke.

**Coffee:** He was a young black boy who brought and ran messages for John.

**Jake Bauer:** drifter; nasty, surly man with chip on shoulder; did odd jobs, stole, was often drunk; opened fence of John's neighbor and took sheep to town to sell when they got out; John found him out and tried to arrest him; they had a fight; neighbor didn't press charges; there was "bad blood" between them; later he said some things about Becky and John hit him; they fought and Becky ended up hitting Jake on the head with a bottle; Charley got mad at Jake in the saloon because he was claiming to have slept with Becky; Charley hit him with a chair and knocked him out; dirty, boisterous, pompous, bully; somewhat friends with Samuel; Becky was 36 when Jake Bauer was hired to kill her; Jake took her to the barn, raped and strangled her; baby Peter witnessed it; John, with Charley and Jeff hung Jake;

**Jackie Spagnolo:** Jackie was a friend of Maureen, who thought that Jackie was part of the story. She was **Ruthie** in Millboro. She remembered the Guy Fawkes Day celebration party. Ruthie was raised by an old couple that were not her parents. When she got old enough, she went to Rose's Bawdy house for a job. She talked about how Rose did not like Constance; that she pretended to be Becky's friend but was not because she talked about Becky and got her into trouble. She said that Constance took business away from Rose. When regressed with Liz, Liz said that Ruthie was Ava's (Constance's mother) niece. She had lived with Ava, but Constance did not want her around, and Ruthie was sent to the old couple. Ruthie was killed at age 32 by a stray bullet when a drunk stranger at the bawdy house shot through the ceiling for fun. Ruthie had had a relationship with an Indian, **Running Bear**. She loved him and had a child, a daughter, which the Indians kept to raise. In this life, in a painting class, she had painted a picture of an Indian which she realized after the hypnosis had a great resemblance to Running Bear.

**Sharon Olive:** Didn't remember her name in Millboro; she lived in a big white house with an old man with a bad back and legs; she was there to help him and was sent there because it would be safer for her. She told about activity in the basement of the house—men going in there. There were captured or lost Union soldiers; the man and she helped to get them back behind Union lines; it had been used to help running slaves—underground railroad; John from town helped the old man and brought food when he could.

**Marge Rieder:** the author and hypnotist; Charley recognized her as **Sarah, a nurse**, sent by the Union government after the war to help with the epidemic. Sarah Cashman; she was a tall blond, very pretty, efficient, and organized. Was happy young girl, then a widow who went to nursing school. She remembered the horror of war, and young soldiers with missing limbs. There is not enough supplies of medicine, blankets, cots, etc. She was anxious for the war to be over, and had met a man she planned to marry, but then she volunteered to go back to the South when an epidemic hit. The doctors and nurses had been told that the people of Millboro would hate them and be against them, but actually the people of Millboro welcomed them as their saviors. They set up tents out of town by the river to treat plague victims (most likely Typhoid fever.) If they could get the fever down, the person would most likely live. Sarah was in charge of the nurses. Sarah stayed with a wonderful family named Campbell who treated them like royalty. Millboro became very crowded with people from other towns who had been burned out in the war. They lived in sheds and dirt caves. (No wonder an epidemic followed.) When asked, under hypnosis, if she knew Charley, she said she knew of him but did not socialize with him in the bars, etc. She was too busy and was a representative of the North. She saw John working in the town, keeping order, helping with problems and burying the dead. The nurses were treated well, but kept aloof. Townspeople were farmers and the doctors and nurses were mostly well educated, sophisticated people from cities. They loved the people, though, and went home with a good feeling. Sarah went home and got married. They had three children. Sarah died in her 60's from pneumonia in 1891.