

Fianning Family Reunion

Fianning Family Stories: The Fianning Family Home 1011 South Eighth Street Friday, July 18, 2003

George and Frances Charlotte Von Pein Fianning built 1011 S. 8th Street in 1904. Eight of their nine children were born there. Frances died there in 1918. Sophia Fredericka (Ricka) Von Pein Fianning came to live at 1011 in 1918 to help manage the household and enable the family to stay together. Ricka and George married and their child, Rudolf (who was born at Reid Memorial Hospital) was the 10th child in the Fianning Family.

I. Introduction - Kathy and Edie

- A. Welcome
- B. History of 1011
- C. Context of tonight's stories:
Helps in remembering the "original" 10 children

II. Stories of 1011: a story about each of the "originals" when living at 1011 AND stories about memories of 1011 from the children of the "originals" (*), the first cousins (in order of their birth). Note the color of the nametags so you can see which of the grandchildren are siblings.

III. Order of Stories

*Richard Charles [9/3/03 – 1/27/92]

- 1. Frances Wilt - 2/20/25
- 2. Janet Gatzek [4/08/26 – 11/01/84] (58)
- 3. Dan Fianning - 7/15/28
- 4. Wanda Mullins - 8/11/29
- 5. Betty Coleman - 5/17/31
- Marilyn McKay - [9.02.32 0 12.28.99] (67)

*Esther Charlotte [10/01/09 - 3/18/01]

- 6. Joan Kuipers - 3/25/34

*Ruth Marie - 11/22/07

- 7. Gene Frazelle - 10/27/34
- 8. Jane Vincent - 11/23/35
- 9. Jim Youngflesh - 10/08/37
- 10. Sandy McNab - 12/20/38

*Edith Louise [4/06/06 - 8/24/98]

- 11. Edie Croake - 12/20/41
- 12. Frank Morris [12/20/41 - 4/03/96] (54)
- 13. Jay Youngflesh - 7/31/42

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*George William [1/07/11 - 12/18/60]

William

*Paul Frederick [7/12/12 - 7/27/78]

*Martha Jane [3/27/14 - 2/09/81]

*Edward Henry - 5/26/16

14. Chuck Fianning - 1/21/44

*Robert Louis - 12/25/17

15. Dana Minaya - 8/26/44

16. David Fianning - 7/19/46

17. Jenny Fianning - 1/27/47

*Rudolph - 11/02/24

18. Georgianna Powell - 8/13/48

19. Kathy Chefas - 6/02/50

20. Robbie Blystone - 12/1/51

21. Ron Fianning - 12/4/51

22. Greg Fianning - 2/08/62

II. Remarks from two of the "originals" if there is time:

Ed and Rudy

Building History of 1011 S. 8th Street The Fianning Family Homestead

1904-05

George and Frances contracted with Mr. Hasecoster to build the first floor (parlor, dinning room, bedroom/"borning" room with a walk-in closet, kitchen, pantry), a second floor (two unheated bedrooms and an attic), and a concrete slab with a roof over it behind the kitchen. (There was a basement under the whole house.) George, Frances, Richard (age 2) move in. The home was built for \$3,000. The family paid 50 cents a week to the Building and Loan.

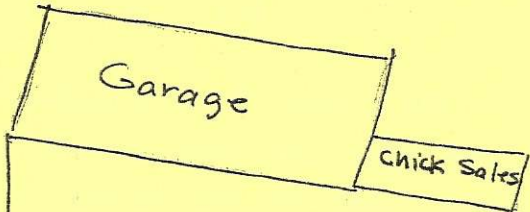
Later, a bathroom, a hallway, a closet, a bedroom with a walk-in closet were added to the second floor. Also a stairway was built to the third floor attic. A bedroom was built on the third floor with a walk-in closet and three gables were constructed. The ceilings were plastered throughout the attic and a floor and some cupboards were installed. A hot air furnace was added under the dining room which provided heat to all bedrooms.

Early 1980's

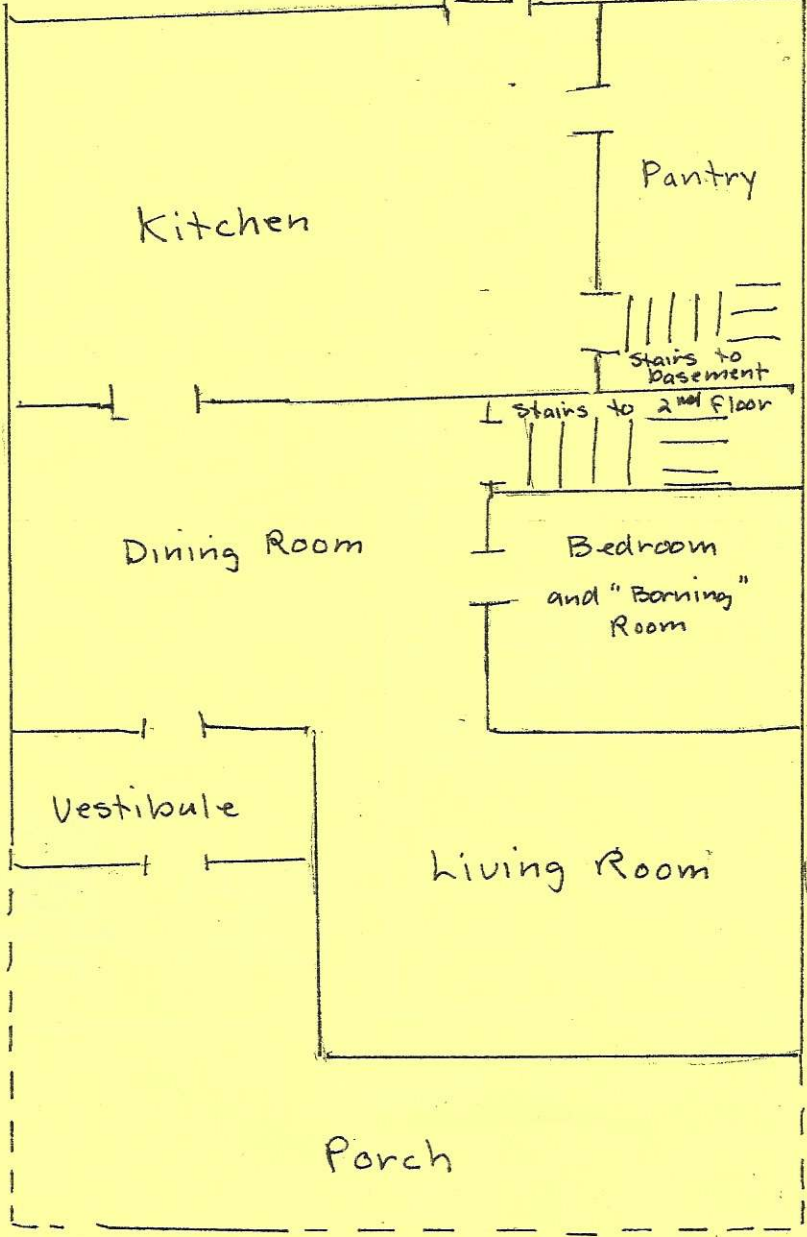
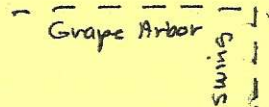
The home at 1011 was sold to a new family.

1011 South 8th Street: (Not to scale)
The first floor (of three) and yard

The Alley



Back Yard



(Grandma Lena's house)

J Street

L Street

South 8th Street

The 1011 South 8th Street Block

Matt Von Pein (father of Ricka) owned the land on the west side of the block between South J and L. Then other side of the block -- that was 8th -- was owned by Fred Von Pein (father of Frances, brother of Matt).

