

<b>Father George Tucker Sartwelle</b>		
Birth	3 Mar 1885	Ft. Worth, Tarrant, Texas
Death	4 Aug 1948	Del Rio, Val Verde, Texas
Fact 1		Del Rio, Val Verde, Texas
Marriage	28 Aug 1918	Del Rio, Val Verde, Texas
Father	William Dinsmore Sartwelle (1852-1897)	
Mother	Caroline Olivia Tucker (1855-1938)	
<b>Mother Mary Josephine Jourdan</b>		
Birth	1 Dec 1897	Wichita Falls, Texas
Death	26 Feb 1962	Del Rio, Val Verde, Texas
Fact 1		Del Rio, Val Verde, Texas
Father	William Forrest Jourdan (1865-1937)	
Mother	Dora Deana Nicholson (1870-1926)	
<b>Children</b>		
<b>F</b>	<b>Mary Margaret Sartwelle</b>	
Birth	3 Mar 1920	Del Rio, Val Verde, Texas
Death	29 Jun 2002	Eagle Pass, Maverick, Texas
Burial	2 Jul 2002	Del Rio, Val Verde, Texas (Westlawn Cemetery)
Spouse	Marvin Charlton Jr. (1921-2011)	
Marriage	4 Jan 1941	Yuma, Arizona
<b>M</b>	<b>George Tucker Sartwelle Jr.</b>	
Birth	1 Jan 1925	Del Rio, Val Verde, Texas
Death	9 May 1945	USS England, Okinawa, WWII
<b>F</b>	<b>Olivia Deane Sartwelle</b>	
Birth	8 Jun 1926	Del Rio, Val Verde, Texas
Death	18 Aug 1982	Del Rio, Val Verde, Texas
Fact 1		Del Rio, Val Verde, Texas
Spouse	Dee Jay Barton (1925-2000)	
Marriage	22 Nov 1947	Del Rio, Val Verde, Texas

**FATHER NOTES: George Tucker Sartwelle**

**General:** Children: Mary Margaret, Olivia Dean (Preshy), George Tucker, Jr.

Buried: Masonic Cemetery, Del Rio, Texas.

Profession: Accountant

Son George Tucker, Jr. died September 5, 1943 aboard USS England which was sunk by Japanese Kamikaze at Okinawa during World War II.

**MOTHER NOTES: Mary Josephine Jourdan**

**General:** Buried: Masonic Cemetery, Del Rio, Texas

**CHILD NOTES: Mary Margaret Sartwelle**

**General:** Mary Margaret Sartwelle Charlton

March 3, 1920 - June 29, 2002

By Catherine Charlton Cogburn (July 2002)

Mary Margaret Sartwelle Charlton came into this life in Del Rio, Texas on March 3, 1920., the first born of George and Mary Sartwelle. She grew up in the country north of Del Rio, learning (but never liking) to ride horses and herd sheep. Her little brother, George, and her little sister, Preshy, were a source of great joy to her. She grew into a charming and beautiful young woman, well-loved for her humor and playfulness. She captured the heart of her lifelong companion, Marvin, in the summer of 1938. It took him two years to convince her to marry him. Their wedding took place on January 4, 1941 in Yuma, Arizona, and they lived and worked and played together in Los

Angeles until the start of World War II. During this extended honeymoon, they danced as often as possible to the sounds of the big bands they never stopped loving.

They were blessed with three children, Cynthia, Dennis, and Catherine, and Mary Margaret devoted her love, talents and intelligence to caring for her husband and raising her children. She was also a great friend and even better bridge player. Her greatest tragedy may have been the loss of her sister and best friend, Presly, in 1982. During the year before Presly's death, Mary Margaret taught us all the meaning of devotion, and courage to face the impossible with grace and determination.

Her grandchildren, Alan, Darren, David, Erin, Melanie, Laura, Michael and Daniel were her pride and joy. Little Daniel came into our lives after her stroke, and she would light up so much whenever he came to see her most every day. He made her last few years of struggle far easier and more full of love. Daniel's parents Dennis and Gabriela were selfless in their constant support of both Mary Margaret and Marvin.

Her husband Marvin dedicated himself to her care for seven years. His incredible patience, love and kindness was a lesson of true service, and the living out of the highest level of morality. He made her final years meaningful for her, and for her family. She was an honest and straightforward woman who gave her strength, love and humor to us all. She will be missed, and she will live inside each of us forever.

### **CHILD NOTES: George Tucker Sartwelle Jr.**

**General:** Died: During Japanese Kamakazi attack on the USS England off Okinawa, May 9, 1945 (WWII).

The following received from Dennis O'Brien on July 7, 2000:

I run the web site for the USS Englands, both DE-635 and the ship on which I served, CG-22. I thought you might find the following interesting.

DE-635 was a Buckley class destroyer escort laid down by Bethlehem San Francisco on 4/4/43, launched 9/29/43 and commissioned 12/10/43. She was named in honor of John C. England who died while rescuing men from the capsized USS Oklahoma, Pearl Harbor 12/7/41. In May of 1944 she distinguished herself by sinking 6 enemy submarines in two weeks! A 5/29/44 message from Admiral Halsey to the USS England read "May there always be an England". Chief of Naval Operations E. J. King reiterated this with "There'll always be an ENGLAND in the United States Navy." ENGLAND earned the Presidential Citation.

SARTWELLE, George T., Jr., S1c, USNR, died on DE-635 during an attack on the ship by a Val bomber. At the aircraft approached the ship, ENGLAND opened fire and commenced an evasive turn to port. The pilot of the Val steered the plane for ENGLAND's bridge as kamikazes had been trained to do. The gunners on ENGLAND killed the pilot and as the ship turned the Val nearly missed her, but a wing caught the boat davit and hurled the aircraft into ENGLAND, starboard at the bridge. 36 men died in the attack which took the might ENGLAND out of the war.

The ship was damaged and slated for conversion to APD in preparation of the invasion of Japan. She returned to Philadelphia for repair and conversion. A memorial for those lost was held on July 15, 1945 at the Navy Yard, Philadelphia. You can view the quickly made program for this event at: <http://ussengland.net/DE635/images/memorial.jpg> and more about the history of ENGLAND at <http://www.ussengland.net/>. The conversion to APD was never completed. the war ended. she was stricken 11/1/45 and sold for scrap 11/26/46. Her scoreboard was saved however and is on display in Annapolis. you can see a picture of it here: [http://ussengland.net/DE635/uss\\_england\\_scoreboard.htm](http://ussengland.net/DE635/uss_england_scoreboard.htm).

There is an England Hall at the antisubmarine Warfare Training Center Base in San Diego as well as a Prock Hall, named for the sonar man at the instruments for most of the runs on the six submarines. As for

"There'll always be an ENGLAND in the United States Navy." In 1963 the USS England DLG-22, later called CG-22, hit the seas and served the United States for over 30 years. She is now in the MARAD reserve fleet awaiting scrapping.

I hope this information is of some value to you are you research your family.

Take care,

Dennis

**CHILD NOTES: Olivia Deane Sartwelle**

**General:** Buried: Masonic Cemetery, Del Rio, Texas.

Called "Preshy" by everyone. This supposedly from being "precious" as a baby.

The following was written by the daughter of Preshy Sartwelle Barton as an editor's note to the book, "The Sartwelle's in America 1635 - 1981":

Olivia Deane (Preshy) Sartwelle Barton was a very blessed woman for she knew and understood the key to happiness in life - LOVE - love of God, love of her family and love of all mankind.

This book will hopefully be a lasting memorial to my mother's goodness and everlasting love of family and its heritage.

On September 25, 1981, in the midst of compiling this book, she was diagnosed as having incurable lung cancer. She immediately prayed to God that He would allow her enough time to finish the compilation of the book and in His infinite mercy He granted her prayers. My only regret is that she did not live long enough to see the printed copy.

Preshy Sartwelle Barton died August 18, 1982 in Del Rio, Texas. Her funeral services were held at St. James Episcopal Church in Del Rio where she was baptized, confirmed and married. She is buried in the Masonic Cemetery next to her father.

"To live in the hearts of those we leave behind is not to die."

Dorothy Barton Sanders - 1982