



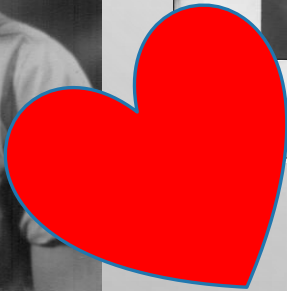
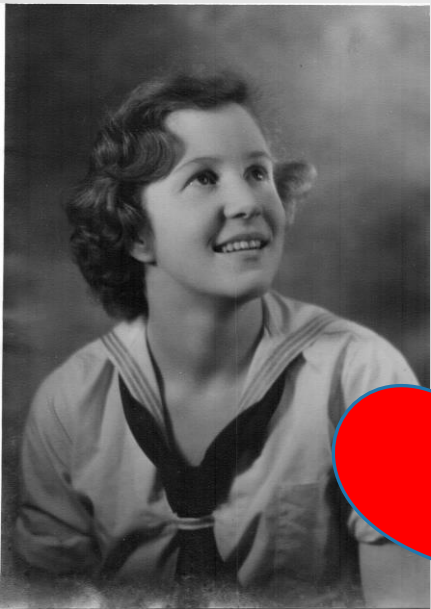
**23andUS**

**Rebecca TRUMBULL**  
**Eric Winship TRUMBULL**



# The Trumbulls

Bettina Winship Freeman & VanVechten Trumbull  
Married Sept. 1, 1937, Schenectady, NY



Hepzibah,  
1930-1931 Ford Model A  
Cabriolet Convertible

# Trumbull progeny

**Jonathan**



September 13, 1941 –  
April 12, 1972

**Nancy  
Elisabeth**



March 7, 1943 –  
April 15, 2009

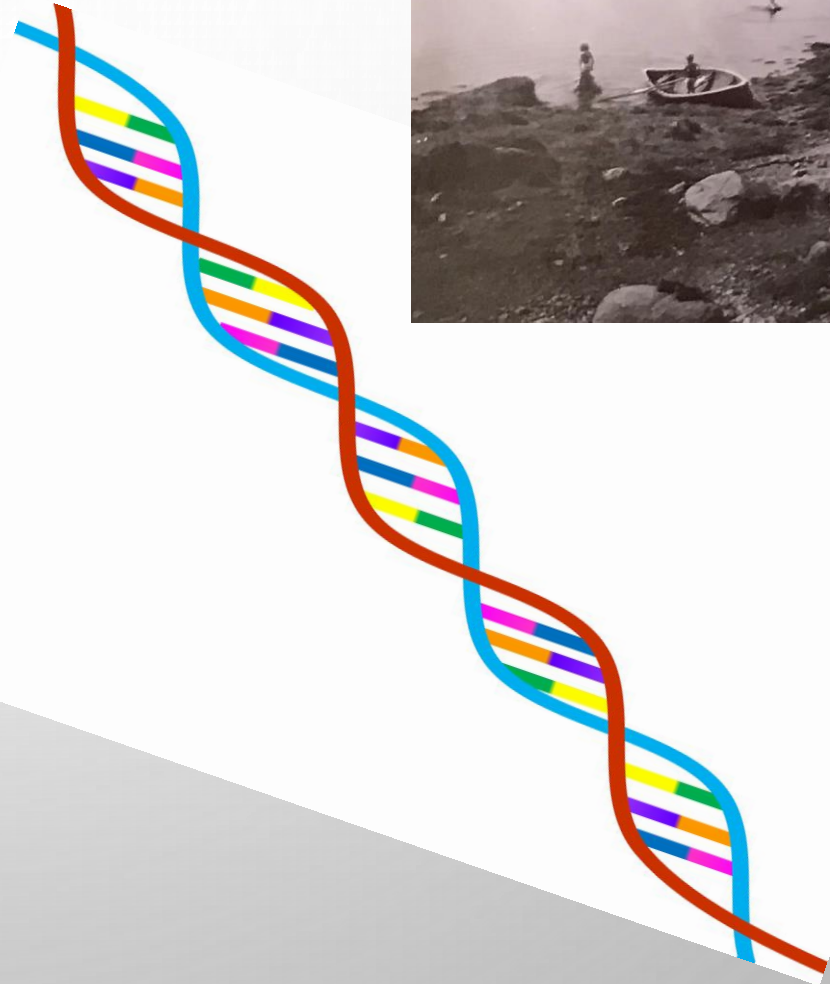
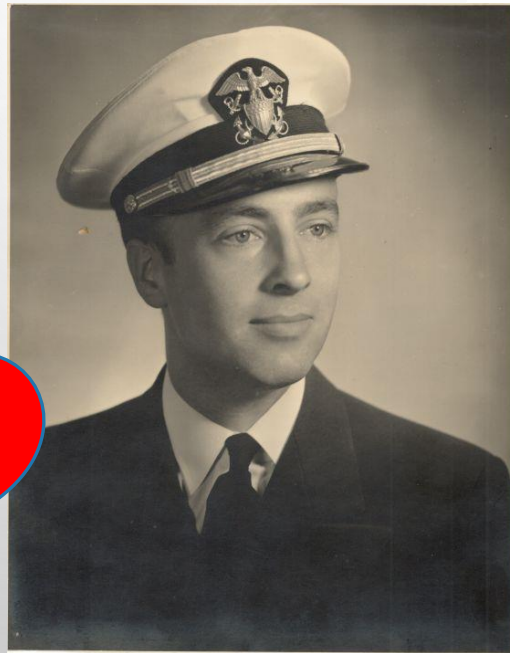
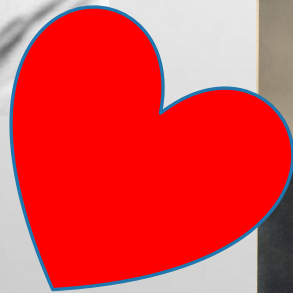
**Peter  
Freeman**



January 1, 1946 –  
August 5, 1962

# The Murphys

Evelyn Harriet Doane (Tottie) & William Michael Murphy  
Married Sept. 2, 1939, Barrington, NS



# Murphy Progeny

**David  
Timothy  
Michael**



June 13, 1941

**Susan  
Doane**



March 4, 1943

**Christopher  
TenBroeck**



January 28, 1946

# Intertwined Families



# The Progeny — Best Friends



**Jonathan**

**David**

# The Progeny — Best Friends



**Susan**

**Nancy**

# The Progeny — Best Friends



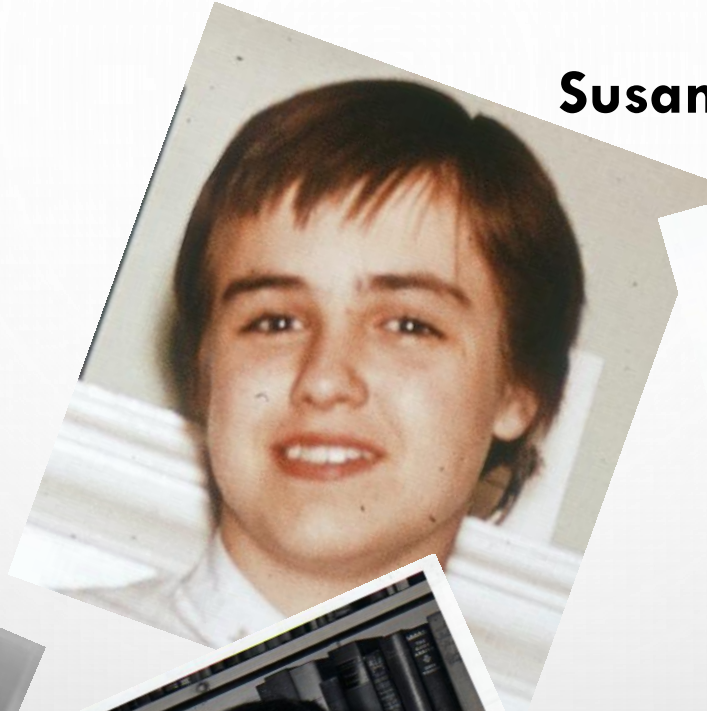
**Christopher   Peter**

# Overachievers — 4 attended Harvard College

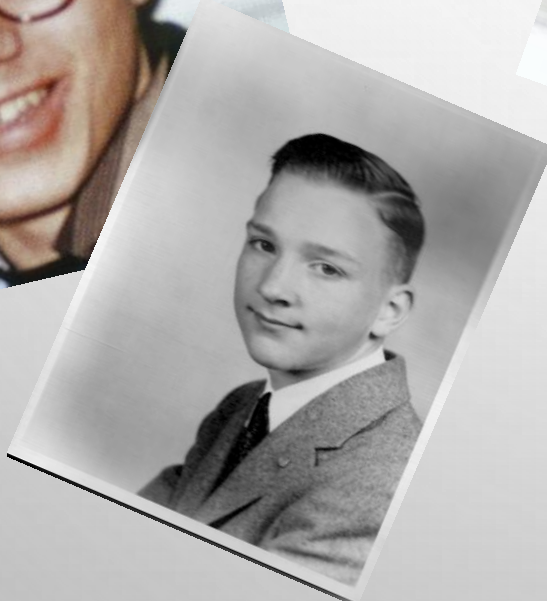
**David**



**Susan**



**Christopher**



**Jonathan**



**Nancy**



**Peter**



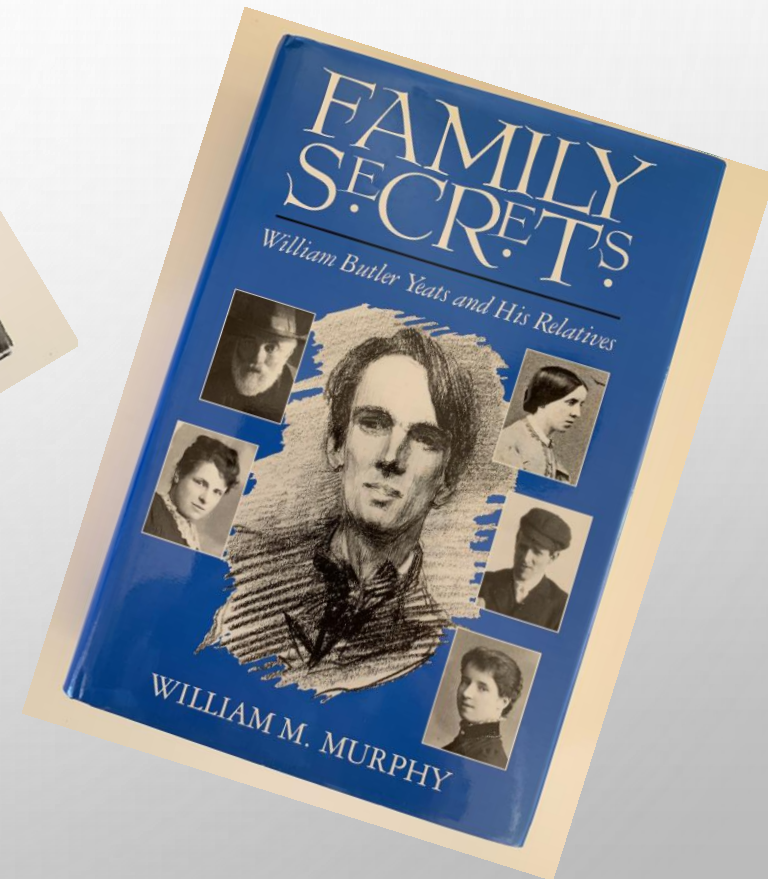
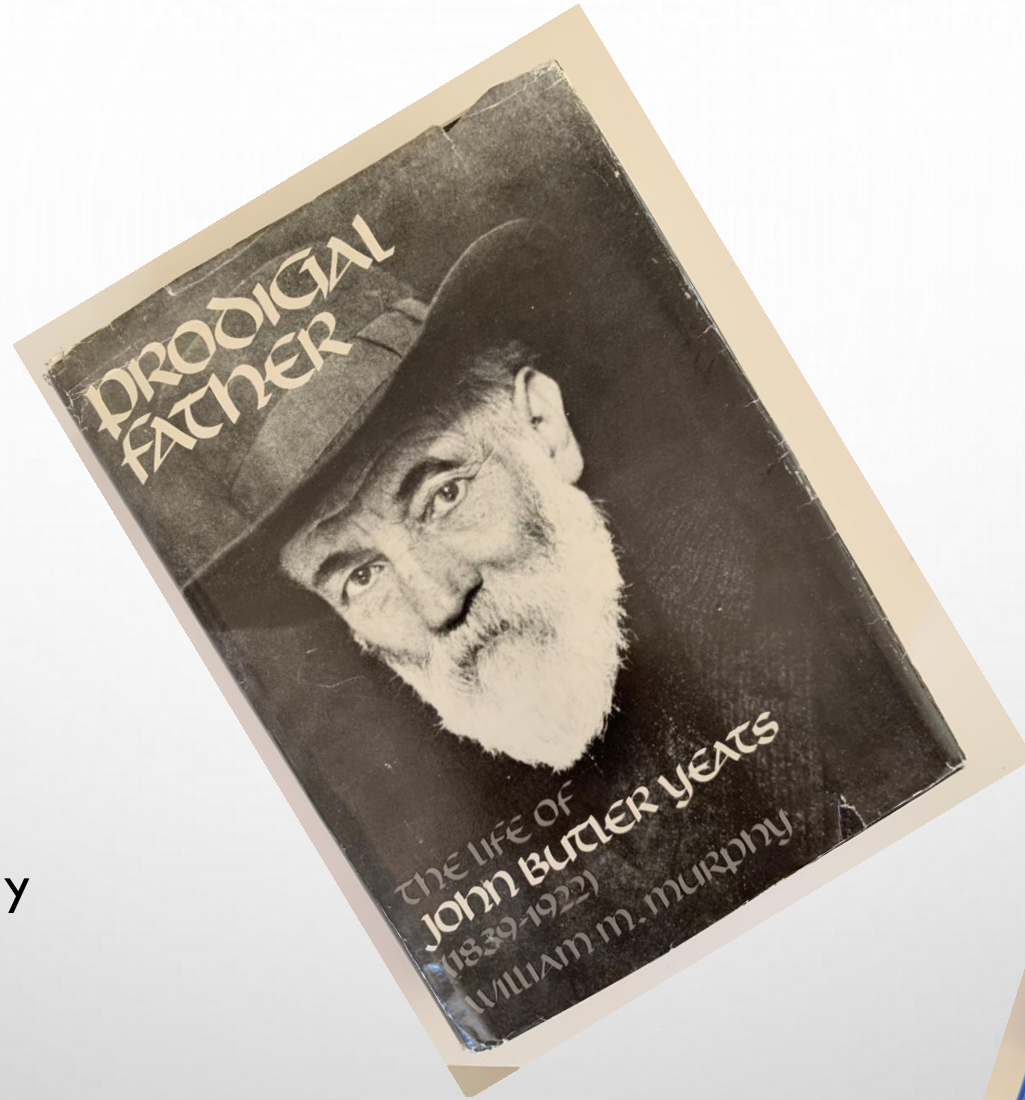
**Except for the later additions...**



Ricky and Becky... and we didn't go to Harvard

# Murphys

- ❑ 1947 *Isabella*
- ❑ 1978 ***Prodigal Father***
  - ❑ National Book Award
- ❑ 1995 ***Family Secrets***
- ❑ World's foremost expert  
William Butler Yeats Family
- ❑ Global recognition



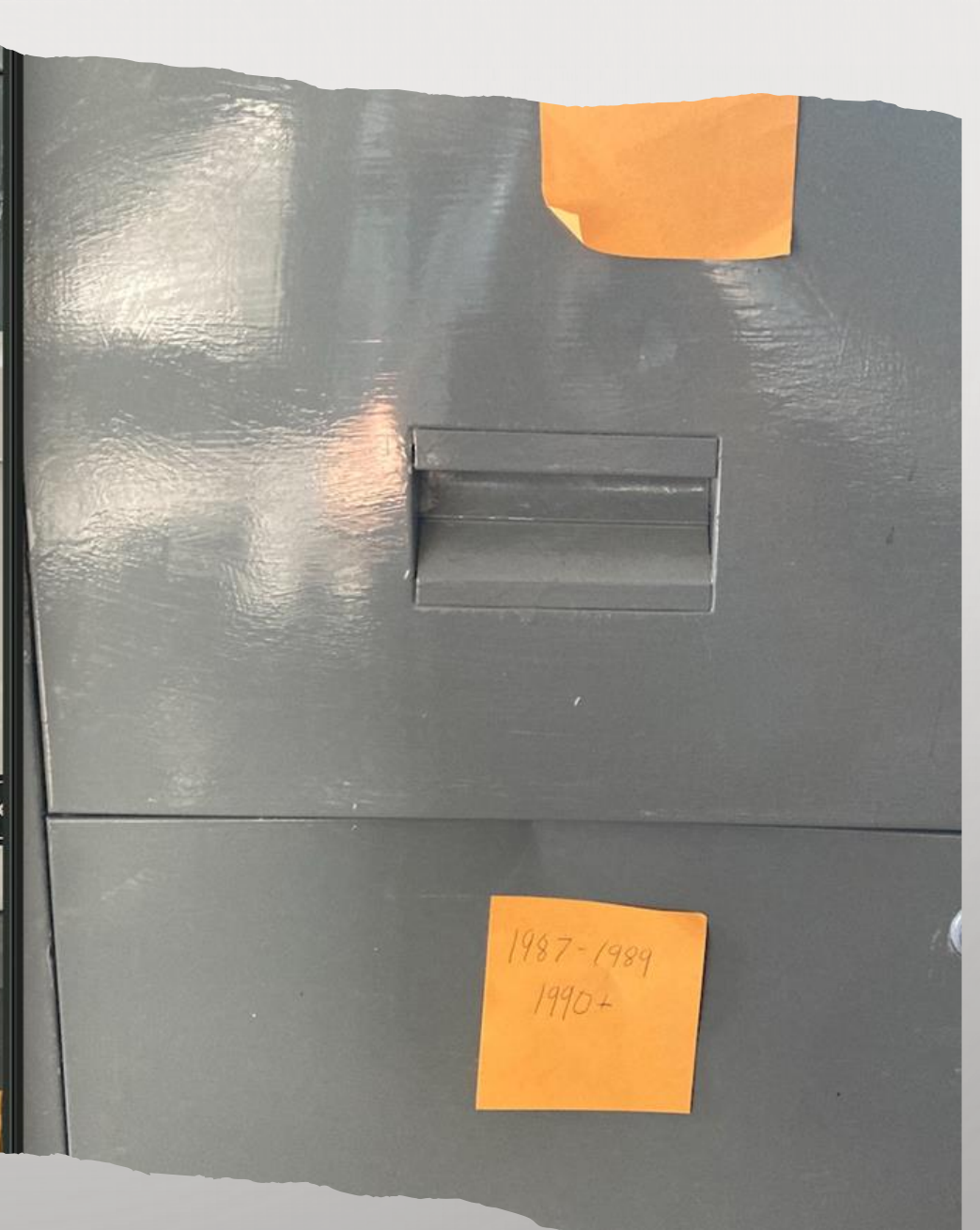
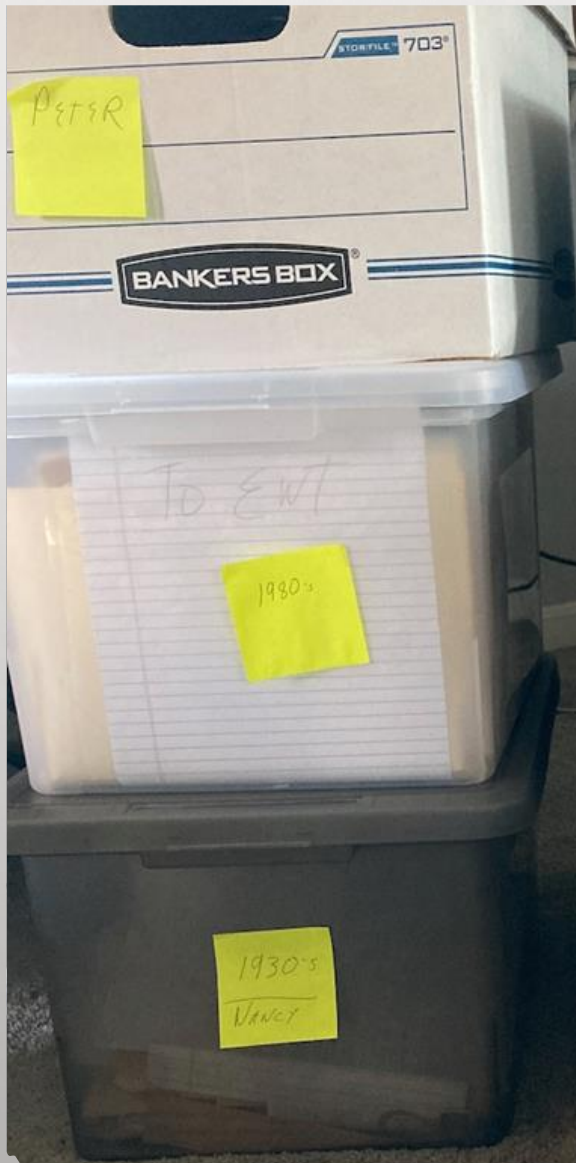
# Beck-a-Noodle



Bill

Becky

- 6 — 1962 Brother Peter drowned, age 16
- 9 — Father Van's alcoholism
- 10 — Death of mother's first baby at 8 days
- 16 — 1972 Jonathan, suicide, age 30 years
- 20 — 1974 Bettina, suicide attempt, age 60 years
- 24 — 1980 Nancy, first psychotic break, age 34 years





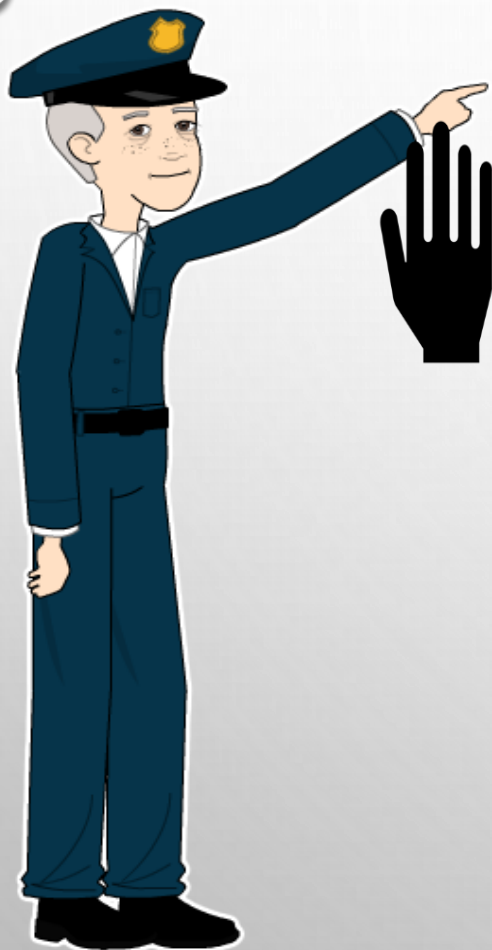
Fascinated  
by and  
pride in all  
things  
Trumbull



Trumbull College  
Yale



Stop!



Police Officer, Trumbull, CT

Here's my license,  
Officer.



Uncle Ralph Trumbull

So sorry, Mr. Trumbull!  
Have a good day!



Cinematographer and director Douglas Trumbull



TRUMBULL  
HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Trumbull Corner, NY

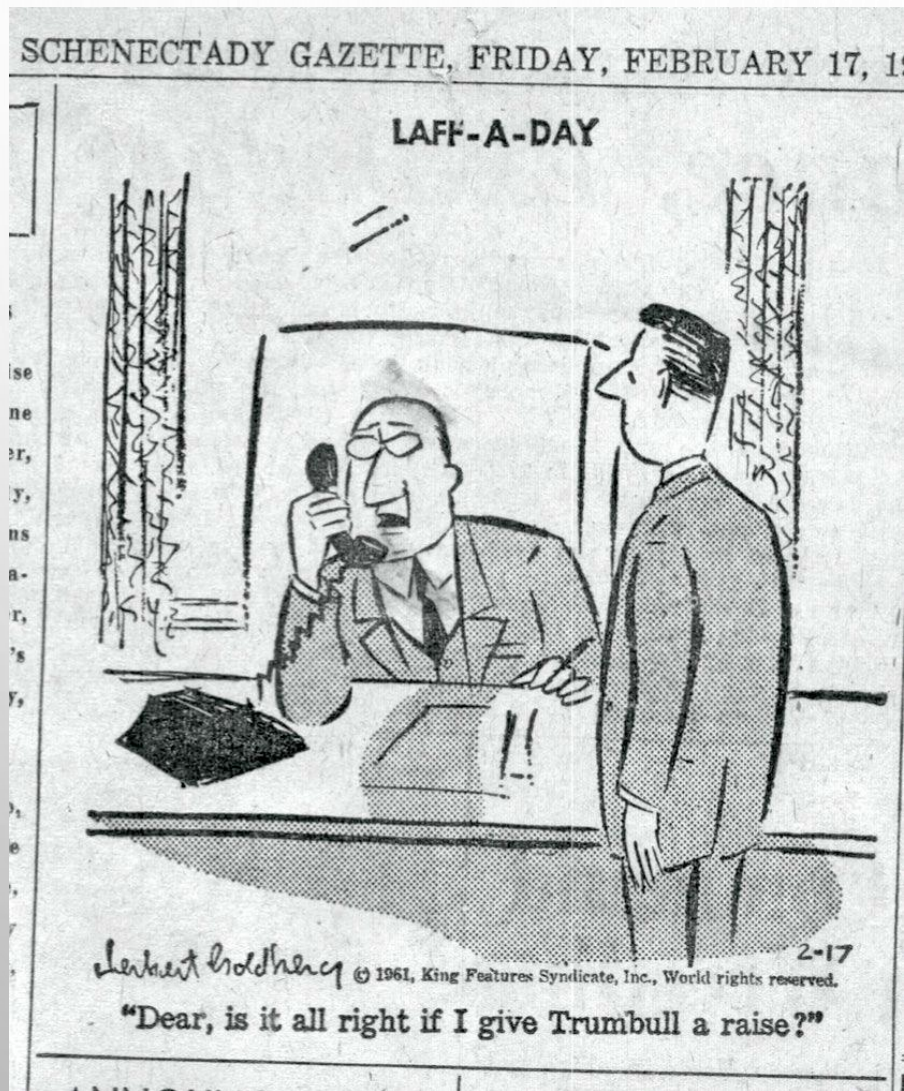
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Trumbull, Texas

[Mount Trumbull Wilderness](#)

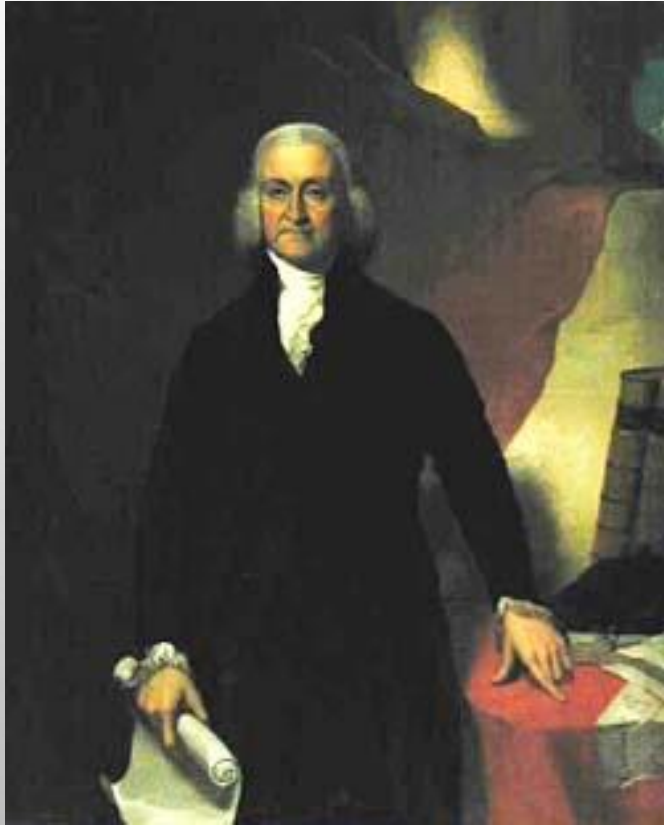
Lucy and Ricky Ricardo's neighbor and baby sitter,  
Mrs. **Trumbull**



Trumbull Stickney, poet

# MISSPELLED!!!!

- “IT’S TRUMBULL, PEOPLE, “BULL” AT THE END.”
- NOT
  - TRUMBLE
  - TRUMBALL
  - TRUMBELL
  - TRUMBEL
- ALL VARIATIONS OF “TURNBULL”



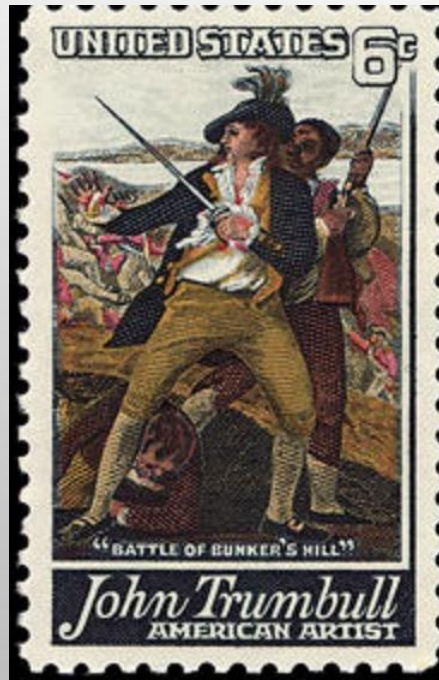
Jonathan Trumbull,  
Sr. (1710-1785)  
Statesman

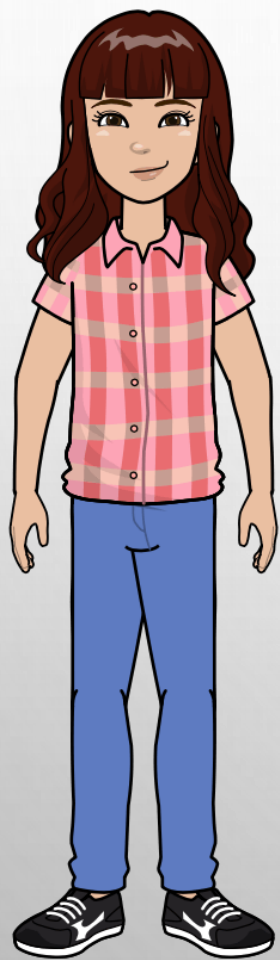
# JOHN TRUMBULL, AMERICAN ARTIST

(1756 –1843)



JOHN TRUMBULL STAMPS

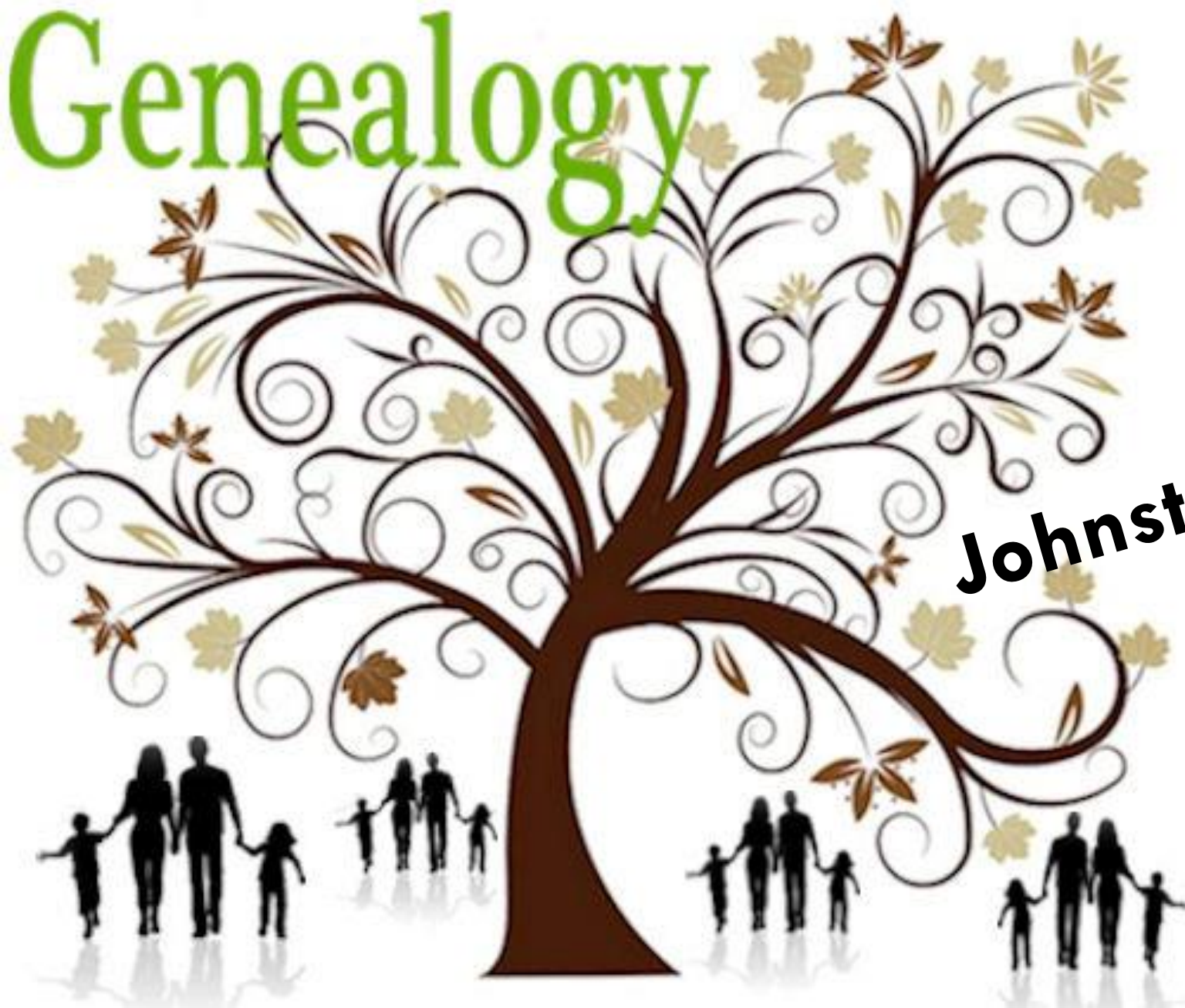




# Genealogy



# Genealogy



**Johnstown, New York!!!???**

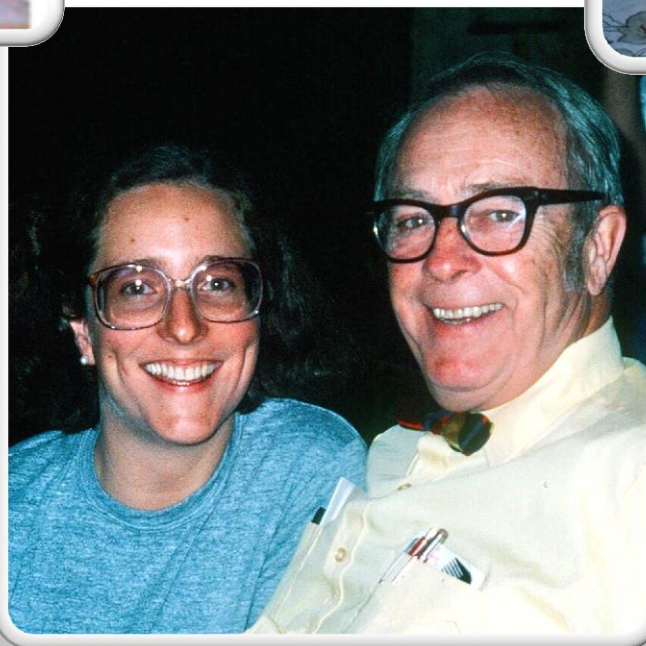
**NOT RELATED TO ANY  
FAMOUS TRUMBULLS  
AT ALL**



Van and me



Bill and me

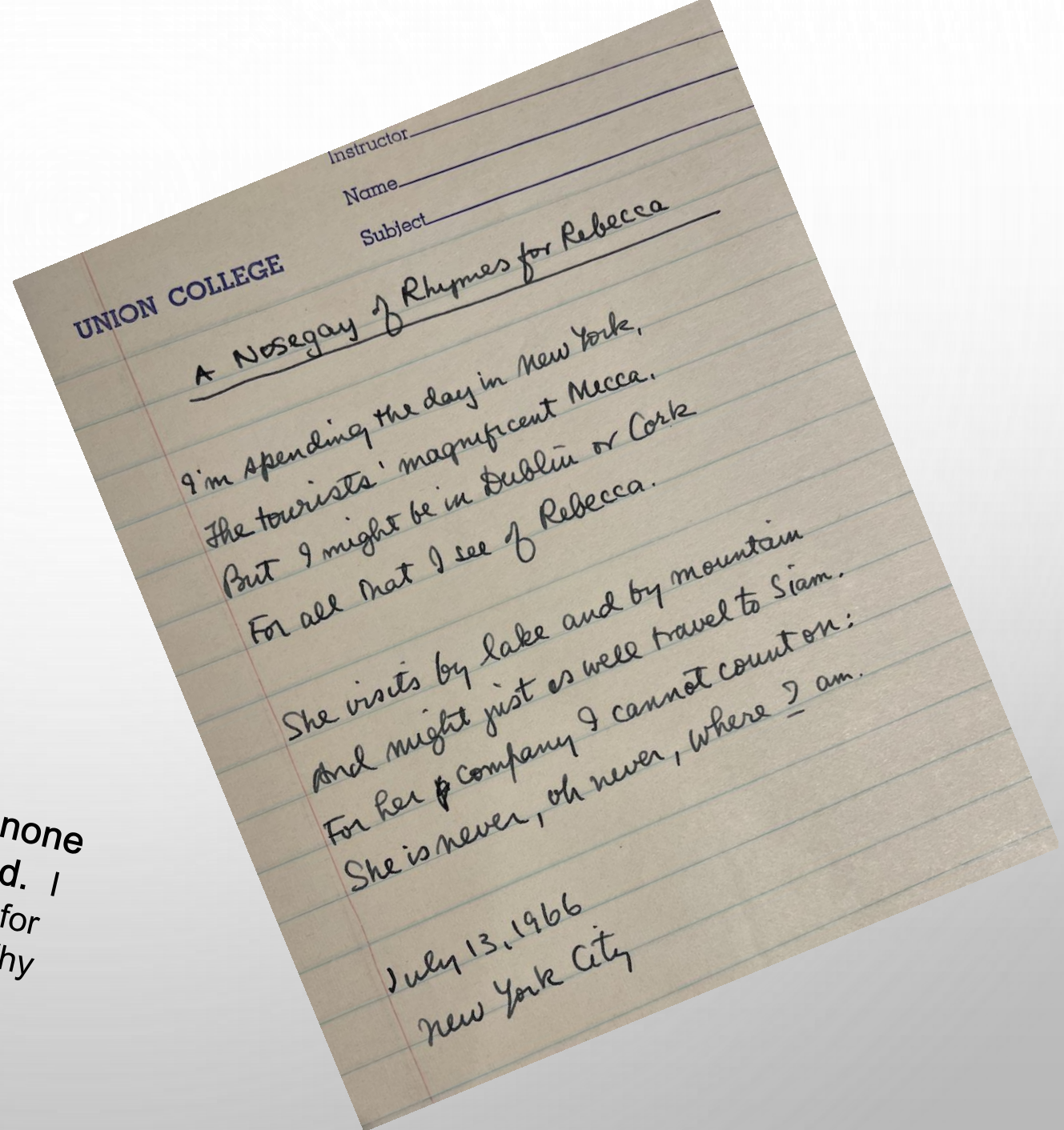


# BILL'S POEMS FOR ME

## If Chaucer had known you what poetry he would have written.

You were born five hundred years too late – or two early.  
But I am glad you were born while I was here to watch you grow."

I wanted to write a poem for you but there was none  
worthy of you so I write this prosaic letter instead. I  
still hope that there may be "once in a while a thought for  
me." How did you ever turn out to be so wonderful? Why  
do so many people love you?



# BILL'S LETTERS TO ME...



My mother Bettina and me

*"Two lines from a Shakespeare sonnet always come to mind  
when I think of you and your mother together."*

*"Thou art thy mother's glass, and she in thee  
calls back the April of her prime."*



Chris Murphy and me

# DNA Relatives

Get started with your predicted relationships, then connect and message to learn more.

Filters

Showing 1500 of 1500 relatives

Sort by Strength of Relationship ▼

Search keywords

Reset

Notifications ⓘ

Profile features and activity ⓘ

Showing 1500 of 1500 relatives		Sort by Strength of Relationship ▼
☆	<div>ET</div> Eric Trumbull	Brother 47.58% DNA shared, 46 segments Connected
☆	<div>ST</div> Susan Thompson	Half Sister 19.60% DNA shared, 30 segments Connected
☆	<div>DM</div> danielle murphy	2nd Cousin, Once Removed 0.88% DNA shared, 3 segments

## Eric & Me

- Full siblings
- Half-siblings of Murphy children
- Half-siblings of Trumbull children

## Same father

- William Michael Murphy

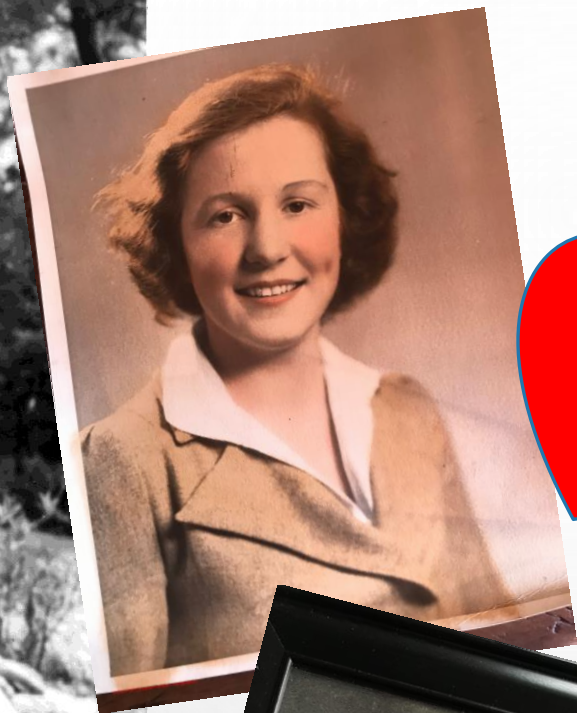


**LITTLE AS YOU  
WERE...  
A LIFE REVEALED**





# THE LOVE AFFAIR





Van

Tottie

Bill

Bettina



Becky and Ricky  
The love children



# DNA Relatives

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Filters

Showing 1501 of 1501 relatives

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Search keywords

Name, location, notes

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Rebecca Trumbull

Sister

47.58% DNA shared, 46 segments

Connected



Susan Thompson

Half Sister

24.44% DNA shared, 33 segments

Connected

## RELATIONSHIP WITH MOM

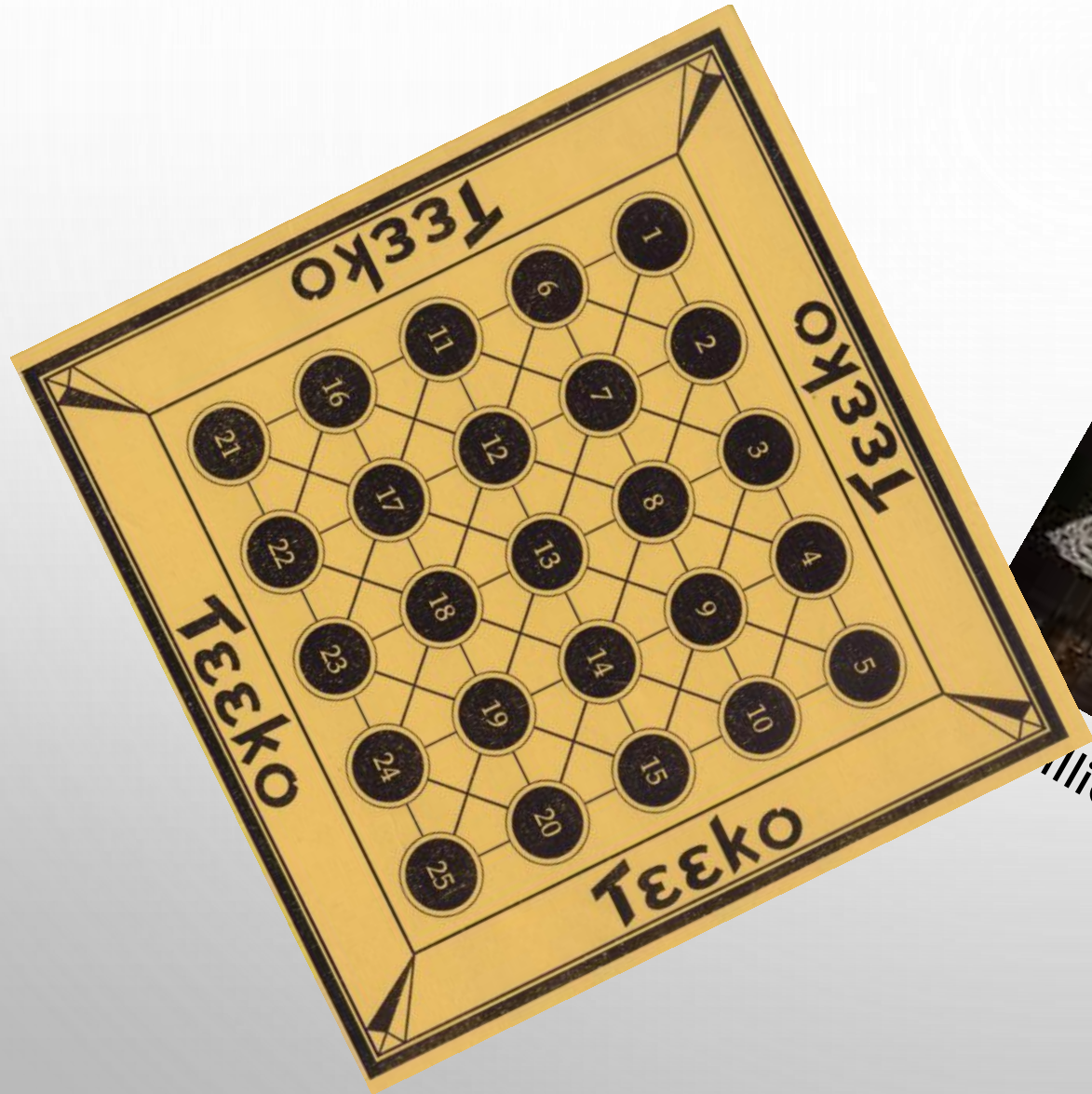
- DIFFERENT -- NOT NEARLY AS CLOSE
- MY PARENTING MODELS



BIO-DAD "UNIVERSITY"  
LIFELONG

MURPHY  
LIFELONG





William Shakespeare



THIS CHANGES  
NOTHING.

THIS CHANGES  
EVERYTHING.

**THE WISDOM TO  
UNDERSTAND THE  
DIFFERENCE.**





A very happy Easter  
to you







# What do We Call Ourselves?

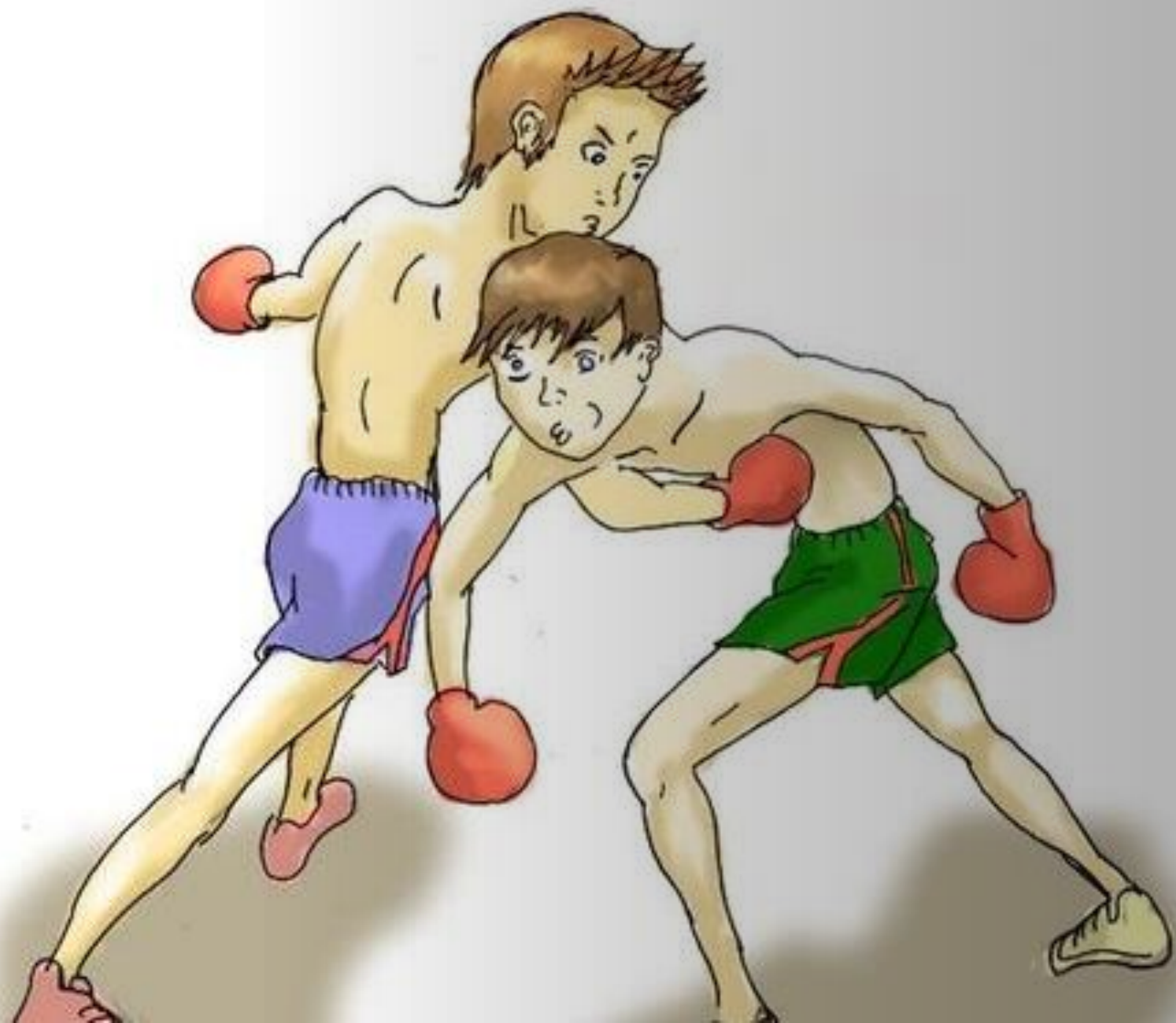
Wait! You mean you're  
NOT MY DAD??!!!

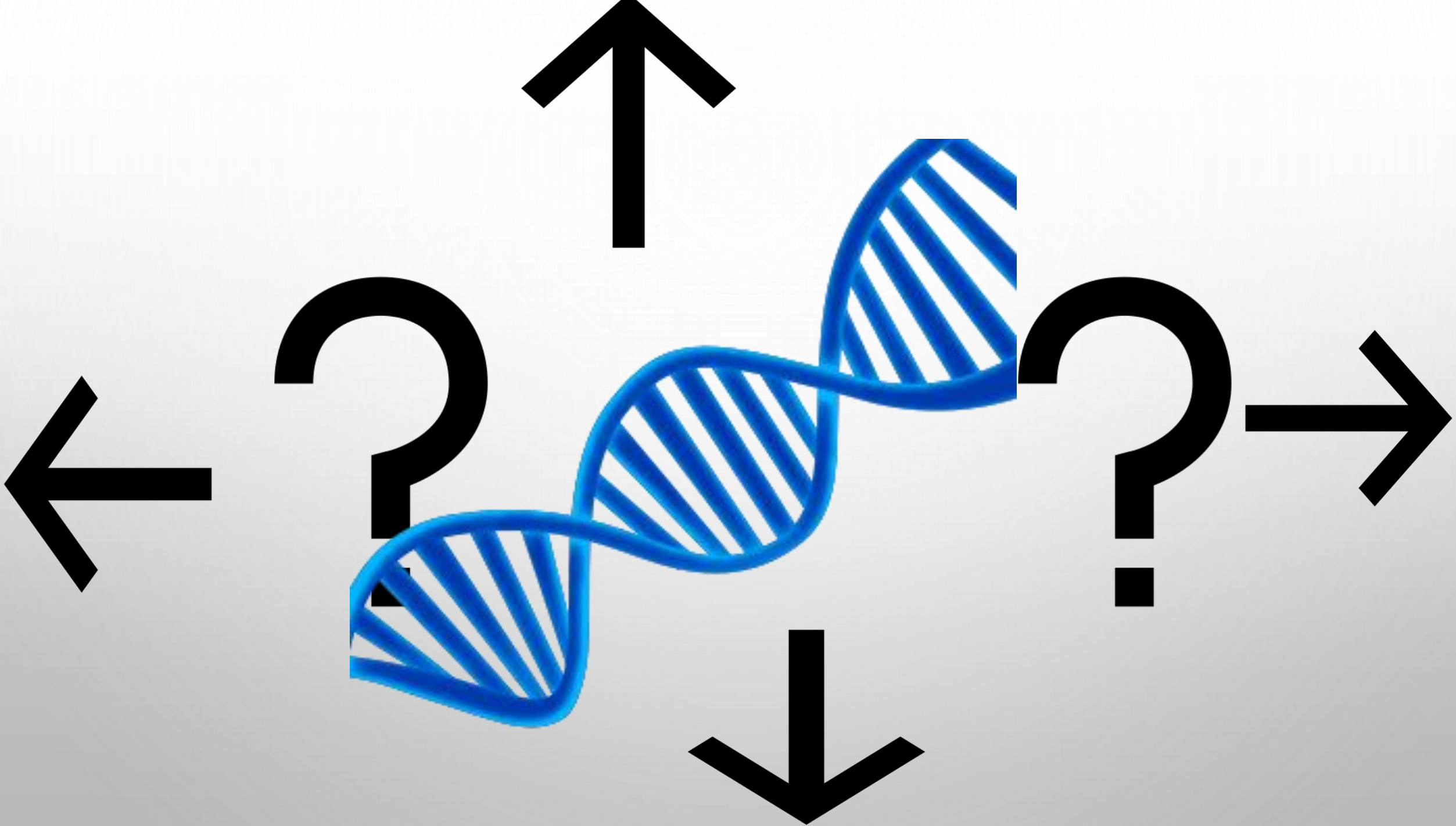
## □NPE

Non-paternal event or  
Not Parent Expected

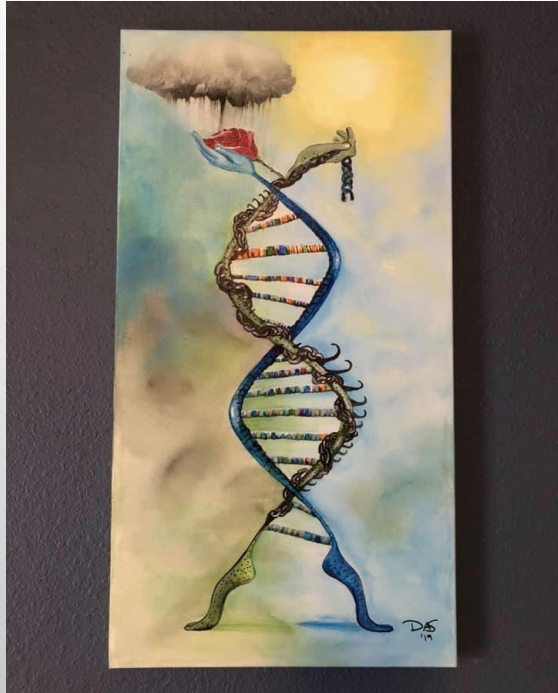
Oops!







- “I NEVER KNEW THE SOUL HAD SO MANY EMOTIONS.”



My life has been a lie!

Mom lied to me her whole life  
How would you feel?

another form of child abuse

# WHO IS REBECCA'S FATHER?



Rebecca



Van



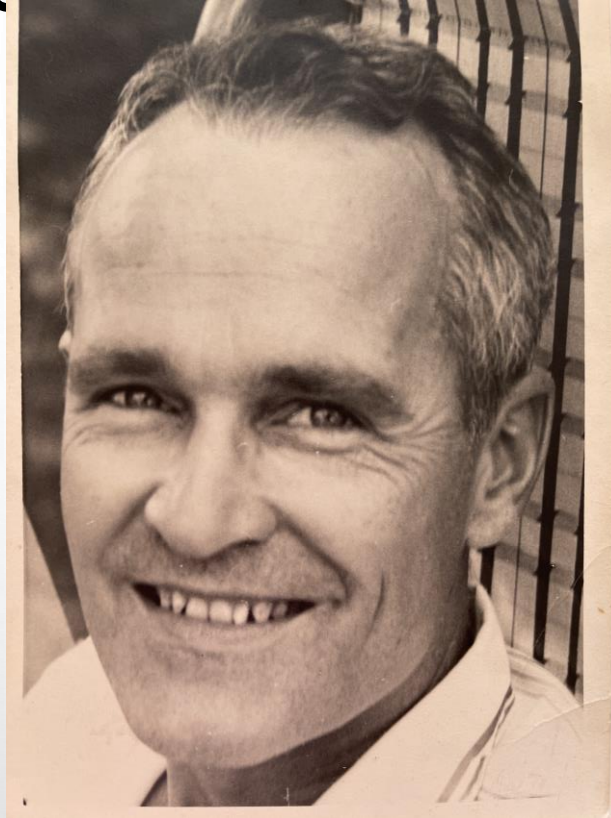
Bill

HINT: Van's chiseled jawline

WHO IS ERIC'S FATHER?



Eric



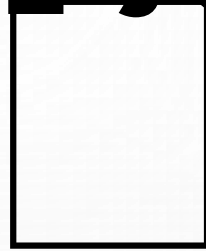
Van



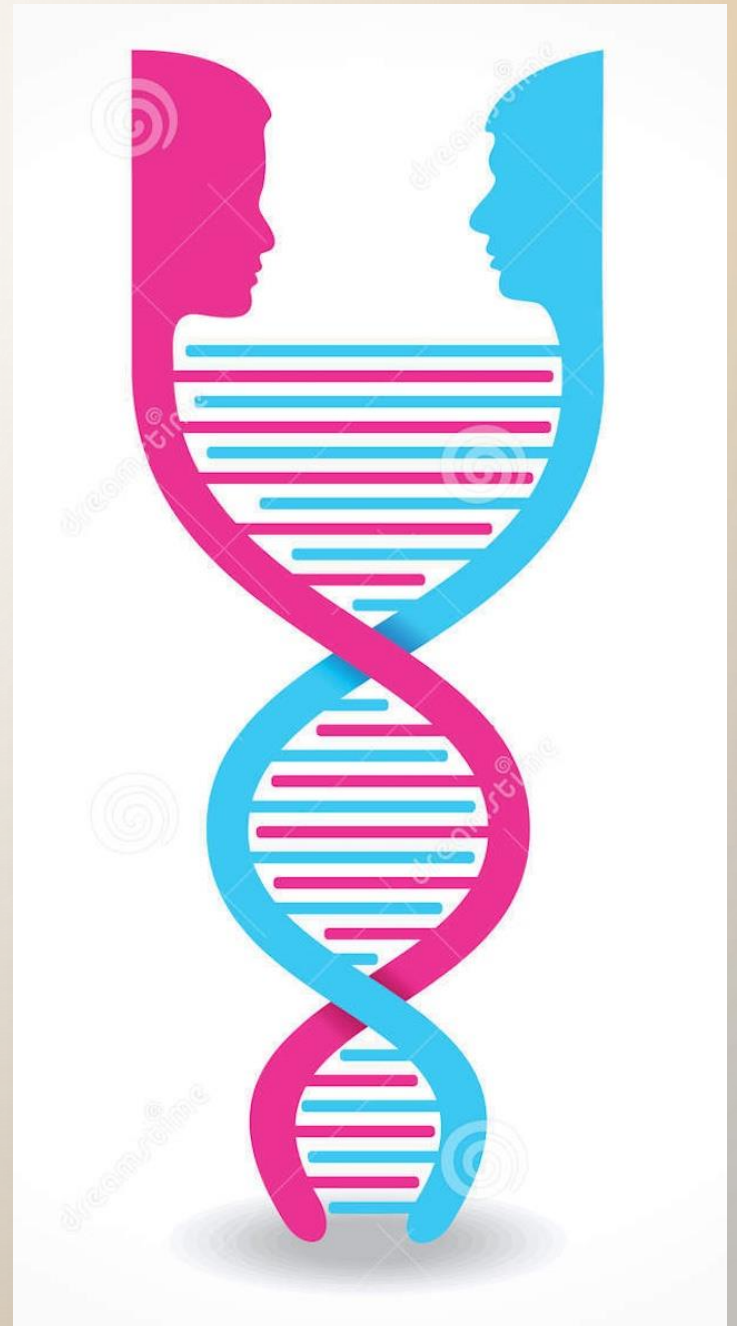
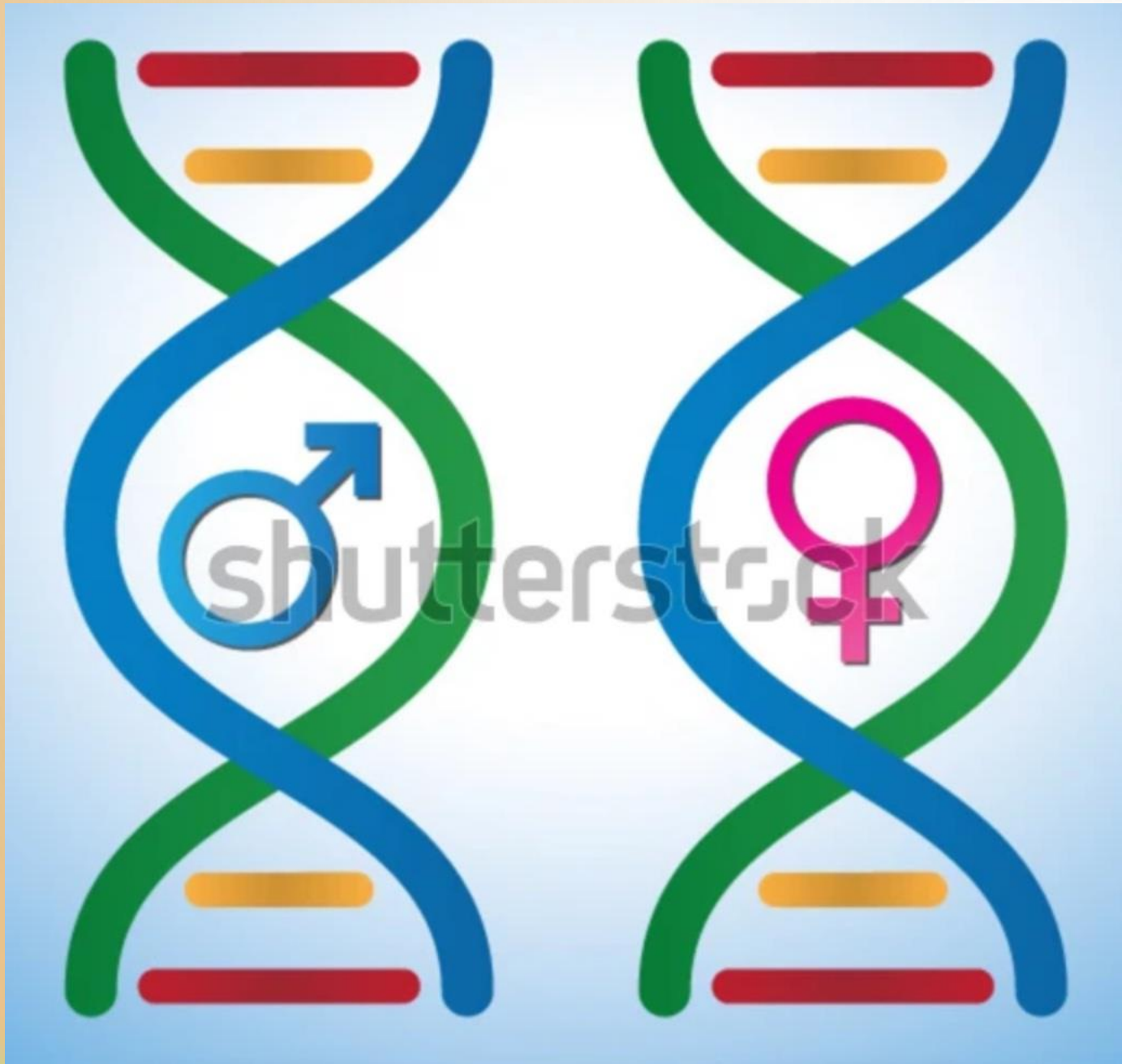
Bill

HINT: Bill's nose

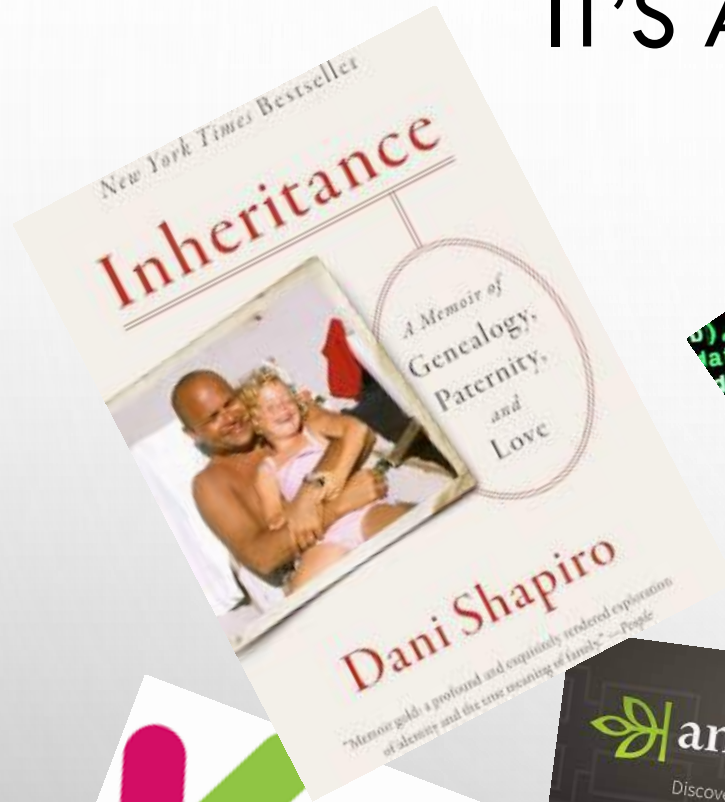
# BEST NPE JOKE:



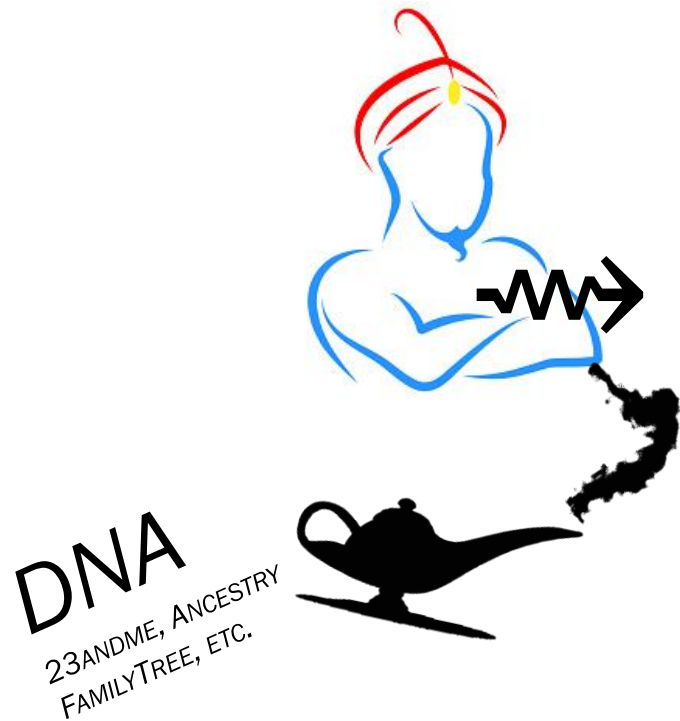
- A NATIONAL CHAIN DRUGSTORE HAS  
BEGUN SELLING FATHERS' DAY CARDS  
IN PACKS OF FIVE



# IT'S A NEW WORLD, GOLDE!



“The Genie is out of the bottle...”



“...Ancestry’s database is stocked with the genetic data of more than **fifteen million customers.**”

The impact of this type of trauma is yet to be seen. Perhaps, we will be looking at **a new mental health category** specifically created to treat this NPE population.”

# ADVICE FOR DEALING WITH NPE REVELATION



# THINGS NOT TO SAY TO AN NPE



**Your dad will always be your **'real' father**.**  
**Your biological father was 'just' a sperm donor.**  
**Blood doesn't make family.**  
**You're **still the same person**.**  
**You can't miss something you never had.**  
**Think about how this will affect your parents.**  
**You should be **grateful to be alive**.**  
**You have a good life – focus on the positives.**  
**It's not a big deal – get over it!**  
****What difference does it make** – who cares?**

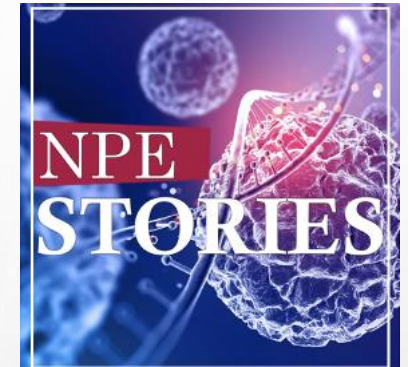
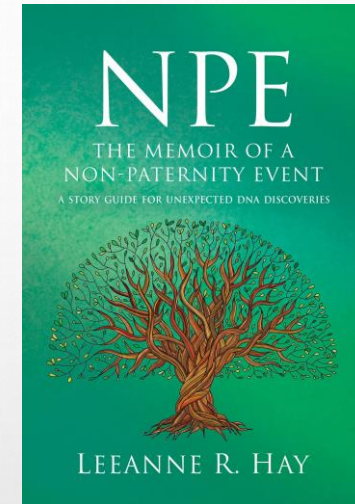


# ***THE LOST FAMILY: HOW DNA TESTING IS UPENDING WHO***

BY LIBBY COPELAND



“...the past is not over.”



“...we are embarking on a vast social experiment, the full implications of which we can't yet know.”

# 1. WHO OWNS THE TRUTH?



Science has killed the Family Secret

## 2. FAMILY SECRETS → COLLATERAL DAMAGE?

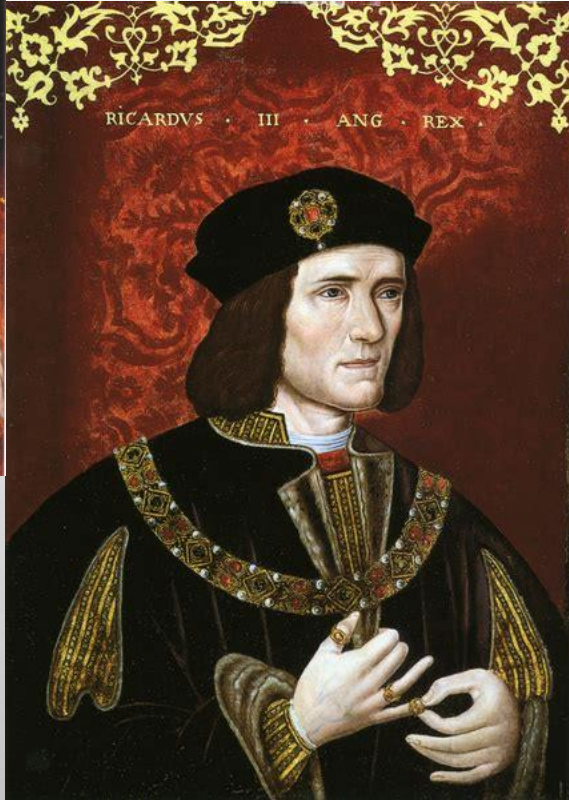


### 3. What's in a Name?



“What's in a name? that which we call a rose  
By any other name would smell as sweet.” - Shakespeare

## 4. What's in that Blood?



Prince Harry and Diana's paramour



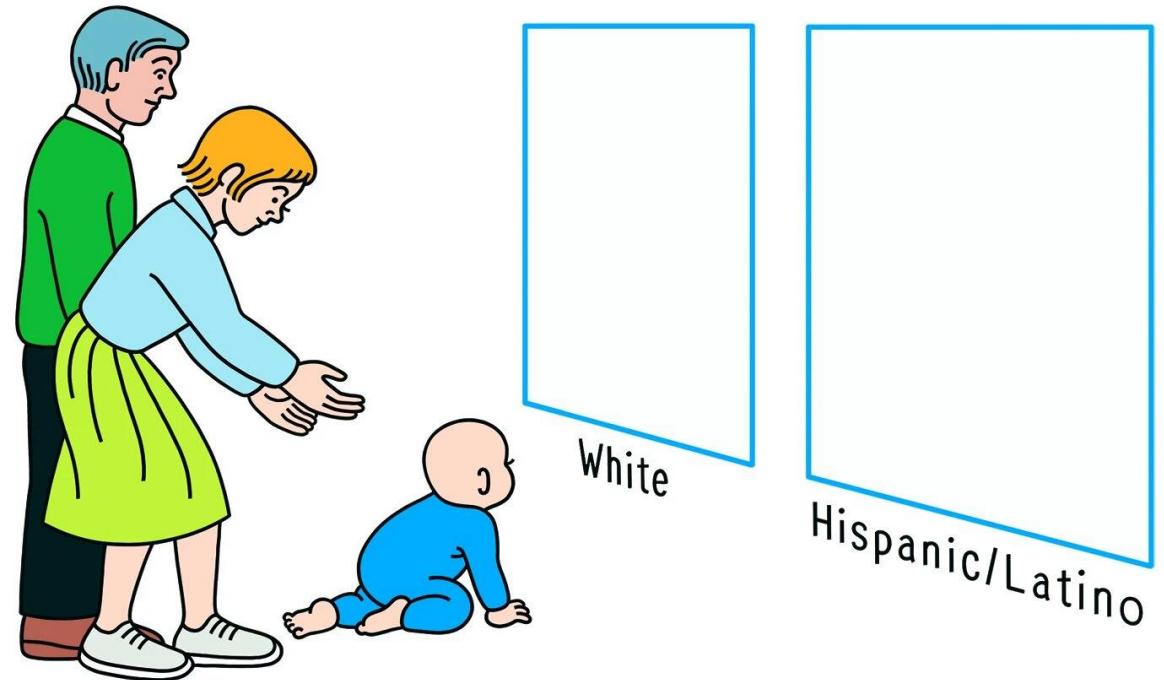
Prince Harry and Prince Charles

## 5. WHAT ROLE DOES SCIENCE PLAY?



# NEW YORK TIMES 4/7/2021 THE ETHICIST

- **MY CHILD'S EGG DONOR IS  
LATIN AMERICAN. DOES  
THAT MAKE HIM LATINO?**  
BY BY KWAME ANTHONY  
APPIAH



Rebecca and Bill





Rebecca and Bill





# “UNCLE” BILL AND ME

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“Uncle” Bill and me



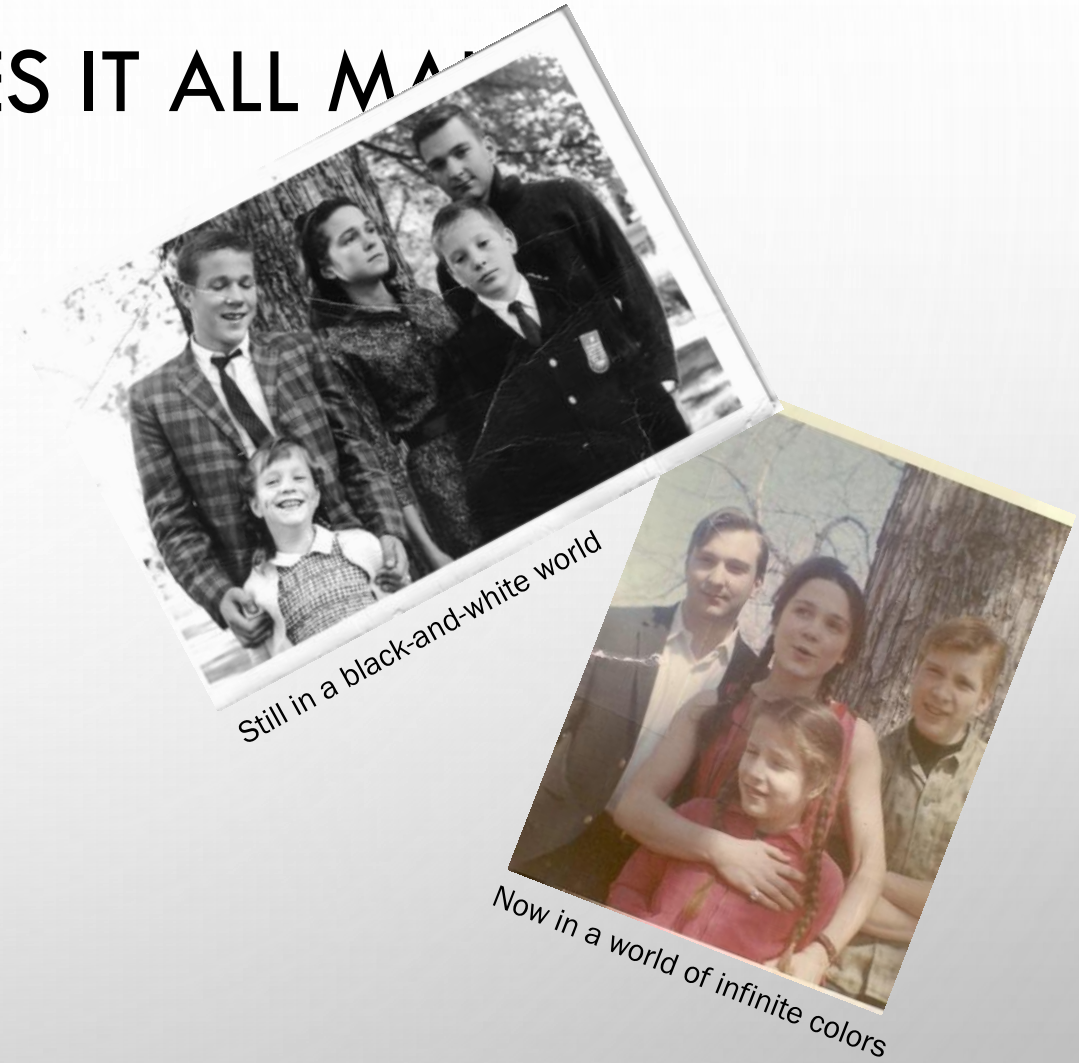
# WHAT DIFFERENCE DOES IT ALL MAKE



Eric

Bill

Rebecca



# NOTHING CHANGED. EVERYTHING CHANGED.



**BILL MIGHT BE MY  
FATHER?**

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VAN MIGHT  
NOT BE MY  
FATHER?

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# “WHERE’S THE DUTCH?”

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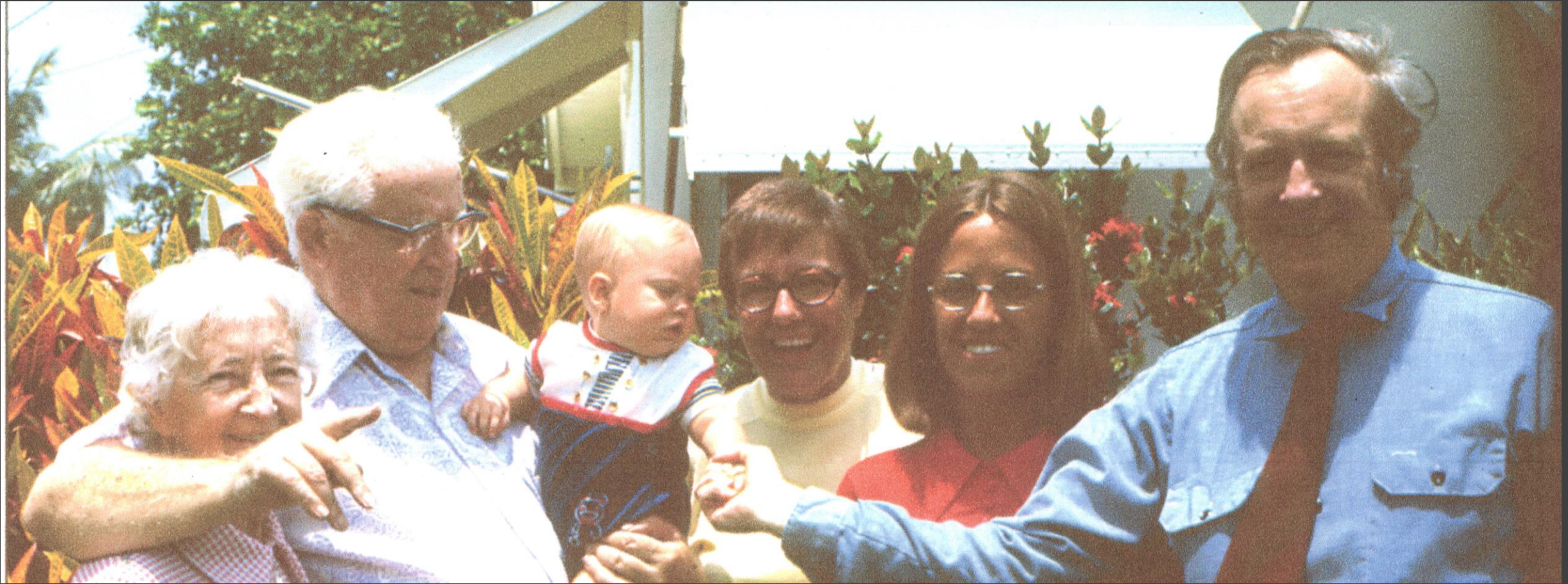




## My profile

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- THE UNMET MURPHY GRANDPARENTS TIM AND FLO



# TRUMBULL FAMILY REUNIONS





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# TRAUMA





MOM AND DAD  
WITH OUR FAMILIES  
ON LAHAVE ISLAND  
FERRY





GRANDPA VAN WITH  
DANIEL AND BETTINA