

MARY FONTELLA STRINGHAM HALL
By her daughter - Grace Hall Kimball

Born February 28, 1881, Mill Ward, Ashley Valley, Utah.
Died December, 29, 1941, Vernal, Utah.

Mary (called May) was the 4th child of Philip Stringham and Caroline Ann Crouch Stringham. She was the first child that was born in the two roomed log house that her father built soon after he came to Ashley Valley.

She had happy times in her girlhood life, but not always easy ones. Her family was one that sacrificed for the gospel and enjoyed it's blessings.

She attended grade school in a log school house, in Mill Ward, (Now Maeser). R. L. Woodward was her teacher for most of her classes. She was always an excellent scholar. She graduated from the Uintah Academy in Vernal. After attending the University of Utah, she taught one year at the Glines School.

With a little persuasion her childhood sweetheart Mark Moroni Hall, asked her to be his wife. There was only 2 months difference in their ages, he being the older. Mark had been in Alberta Canada for 2 years and now asked May to go with him up there and make their home.

May's sister Winnie and Sylvanus Collett also planned to be married at the same time, so the 2 couples drove a team and white top buggy to Price, Utah, where they boarded the train for Salt Lake City and were married in the Temple Jan. 20, 1904.

After this happy occasion Mark and May left by train for Alberta, Canada, where they made their home for the next ten years. Due to crop failure and the loss of a 2 1/2 year old son, Edwin Moroni, with Scarlet fever, they returned to Vernal December, 1913. They were both always active in the church.

Mary Fontella Stringham Hall was a very devoted wife and mother, always so genuine and true. May was always busy helping her family, friends, and neighbors. All who knew her loved her. She spent many years working in the Relief Society Organization as Stake Secretary of Uintah Stake and President of Maeser Ward.

While she was President of the Maeser Ward Relief Society, she had all her Relief Society Magazines bound into 23 volumes and gave them to this organization.

May was a great lover of nature and the out-of-doors. Quite often during the spring and summer months, she could be seen going up the canyon with her buggy loaded with children and some walking beside it, taking a lunch for picnic. She always took pride in raising a good garden, giving much away, after washing all soil from the vegetables.

After the death of her mother, Caroline Ann Crouch Stringham, her father Philip Stringham married her mother-in-law, Mary Bingham Hall, 21 December 1907. "Aunt Mary" as she was called, was loved by all the Stringham family.

May loved her family and the gospel, staying faithful to the end of her life, when she passed away 29 December 1941, and was buried in the Fairview Cemetery, Vernal, Utah.

She was the mother of 7 children, six of whom are living.

1. Grace Rowena Hall (Kimball)
2. Philip Ray Hall
3. Maysie Hall (Sinfield)
4. Edwin Moroni Hall (deceased)
5. Lynn Stringham Hall
6. David Bingham Hall
7. Neal Mark Hall.

POSTERITY OF MARK MORONI AND MARY (MAY) FONTELLA (STRINGHAM) HALL.

1. Grace Rowena Hall, born 5 Dec. 1904, Cardston, Alberta, Canada. Married Samuel Heber Kimball, 9 May, 1935. (This marriage was solemnized 24 Jan, 1936 in Salt Lake Temple) Grace has always been active in Church work. At present is working in Relief Society and Genealogical work.

S. Heber--born 4 October, 1906, Cardston, Alberta, Canada. Office-Manager at Dinwoodey's Furniture Store. Loves sports, hunting and fishing. He built a lovely home for his family.

Address: 3232 So. 17th East Salt Lake City, Utah

Their Children:

1. Rosemary Kimball
2. Maysie Kimball
3. Don Hall Kimball

2. Philip Ray Hall born 29 Nov. 1906, Magrath, Alberta, Canada, married Thora Ashby 5 March, 1935 in the Salt Lake Temple. Philip is active in the church and is doing carpenter work for Ashton's.

Thora--born 9 Oct, 1910, Vernal, Utah. Housewife, mother and grandmother.
Address--Vernal, Utah

Their Children:

1. Dee Ashby Hall
2. Ivan Ashby Hall
3. Donna Hall
4. Vera Hall
5. Wanda Hall

3. Maysie Hall--born 13 Oct. 1908, Vernal, Utah. Married Benjamin Travis Sinfield, 10 Dec. 1945 in the Salt Lake Temple. Maysie is on the Ashley Stake Sunday School Board. She does substitute teaching in Uintah School Dist. Ben--born 29 Aug. 1905, Lund, Nevada. Ben is secretary of High Priest Quorum, (Ashley Stake) also Cub Scout Master.
Address, Vernal, Utah Their Children:
1. Juanita Sinfield
2. Roland Hall Sinfield
3. Merlin Benjamin Sinfield
4. Edwin Moroni Hall, born 15 April 1911, Brant, Alberta, Canada. Died 18 Oct. 1913 with Scarlet Fever. Is buried at Frankburg Cemetery, Alberta, Can.
5. Lynn Stringham Hall born 10 May 1914, Vernal, Utah. Married Eula Massey, 22 June, 1935. Lynn is a contractor for the Indian Agency and has built a number of homes for Indians.
Eula--born 27 Feb. 1916, Vernal, Utah. Teacher in Maesor 2nd Ward Primary.
Address: Vernal, Utah Their children:
1. Calvin Dwein Hall
2. Michael Scott Hall
3. Linda Hall
4. Rita Beth Hall
5. Sharron Hall, born 29 Nov. 1946, Vernal, Utah. Died 11 Feb. 1947 Vernal, Utah.
6. Susan Hall
7. Shanna May Hall
8. Clark Massey Hall
6. David Bingham Hall, born 28 Nov. 1916, Vernal, Utah, Married Trevolene Harber 3 May, 1944 in Salt Lake Temple. David is a Major in U.S. Air Corp. He is stationed at McCellan Field, Sacramento, California. He will retire June 1963.
Trevolene--born 18 Aug. 1921, Richfield, Utah. Housewife and mother. Works in Primary.
Address--7534 Westgate Drive, Citrus Heights, California
Their children:
1. William Mark Hall
2. James Evan Hall
3. Larry David Hall
4. Lisa Hall
5. Jed Harber Hall
7. Noel Mark Hall born 15, Sept. 1922. Vernal, Married Jonus Slauch, 11 Dec, 1946 in Salt Lake Temple. Noel has a large farm in Paul, Idaho. Is Ward Superintendent of Y.H.M.I.A. (Paul Ward)
Jonus--born 14 Feb. 1928, Vernal, Utah. Is on the Primary Stake Board.
Address Rt. #1 Paul, Idaho Their Children:
1. Joseph Noel Hall
2. Scott Mathew Hall
3. Nina Hall

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Faith makes us strong to do what's right.
Faith takes away my fear.
Faith whispers softly, "All is Well"
Our Heavenly Father is near."

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Sometime each day, a smile--It is not much to give.
But the little gifts of love, Make sweet the days we live.