



Reunion 2013

Time to step up to the voting booth and voice your opinion on some light-hearted, but important Duffey details:

When is our 100th? Want online memorials for our loved ones? Plans for the 100th Reunion? Duffey Treasury funds?

A. Duffey Reunion Moniker

Choose one of the following:

☐ We should call this year "The 91st Duffey Reunion" because we have gathered only 91 times since the beginning in 1916. This means next year will be the 92nd, etc., and our 100th Duffey Reunion will be held in 2022.

☐ We should call this year "The 97th Annual Duffey Reunion" because it has been 97 years since the beginning in 1916. This means next year will be the 98th, etc., and our 100th Duffey Reunion will be held in 2016.

(further explanation on reverse)

B. Online Memorials for Duffey Reunion

Choose one of the following:

☐ I agree we should sponsor the online (www.findagrave.com) memorials for deceased Duffey family lines at \$5/entry paid for from the Duffey treasury when available. This includes **no** ads, pictures where available, an obituary and other information as available/provided. It will be noted as "Hosted by: Duffey Family."

☐ I agree we should sponsor but NOT pay for the online (www.findagrave.com) memorials for deceased Duffey family lines. This includes ads over which we have no control, pictures where available, an obituary and other information as available/provided.

C. Plans for the 100th

☐ I voted we call this year "The 91st Duffey Reunion." That means the 100th Reunion is in 2022 and too far away to worry about yet. Let's not make plans yet.

☐ I voted we call this year "The 97th Annual Duffey Reunion." That means the 100th Reunion is in 2016 and planning should begin now.



D. Choose as many of the follow as apply to you:

☐ I would like us to have planned activities for the children so I can bring the kids, grandkids, great-grandkids, neighbor kids, strays, etc.

☐ I would purchase an updated Duffey Calendar (donation).

☐ I would likely purchase a copy of an updated, revised Duffey Family book.

☐ I would like to read periodically between reunions updates about Duffey folks via email ☐ via mail ☐

☐ I approve the purchase of 2 large multi-generation wall charts to post for edits and additions at all future reunions.

☐ I may be interested in purchasing a copy of a smaller version of the completed multi-generation Duffey wall chart.



So What's the Big Deal About Annual Reunion vs Plain Ol' Reunion???

Well, it's important partly because of genealogy accuracy. It's also important because it determines when we have our 100th celebration. And, it's also partly because of historical accuracy. After much research, here is what was found:

Proper label for an annual event that skipped a year or more

Q. If you've had 5 annual events in 5 consecutive years, then skip the 6th year, and have the event again the 7th year, do you call it the 6th annual or the 7th annual?

A. On first thought, if anything, it would be the sixth annual. Literally, you only had six. Calling the sixth the seventh would be a lie. However, there is an exception. If it's annual, and on the sixth year, something happened, like a tornado, or logistical problems, that prevented the event from being hosted, then it would rightfully be the seventh.

One can probably imagine this event's website. This website would have a history section. Subsections would show 'year 1', 'year 2', and so on. 'year 6' would simply say that the event was held, but fans who arrived would all know that hosting problems occurred.

If the reason was simply that people were lazy to do a sixth year or forgot, but not some unforeseeable intervention, then this whole thing is a fallacy. It is NOT the sixth year, nor the seventh year; it is the first year.

So, what..... The Duffey-Freeze Reunion only had a break in continuity during WWII at the request of the United States government to restrict travel. It was an outside, unforeseeable intervention that caused a break in continuity. So... from a practical side, it would appear that the considered opinion is that if it is called the 91st (or whatever) Duffey Reunion, it should be minus the "Annual." However, there is authority for saying that the term "Annual" is still technically appropriate where the reason for skipping an event is due to a *force majeure* which is the situation in this case (WWII), and therefore it should be called the 97th Annual... so it seems the bottom line is this is either the 91st Duffey Reunion or it is the 97th Annual Duffey Reunion.

Online Memorials

Find-a-Grave is an extremely popular website that has currently catalogued over 102 million graves around the world and is the standard genealogy resource.

What is Find A Grave?

Find a Grave's mission is to find, record and present final disposition information from around the world as a virtual cemetery experience.

Memorial contributions to Find A Grave should fulfill that mission - registration of the final disposition. If the memorial contribution corresponds with only the main mission, then the memorial fulfills its purpose as part of Find A Grave's mission.

Find a Grave memorials may contain rich content including pictures, biographies and more specific information. Members can leave remembrances via 'virtual flowers' on the memorials they visit, completing the virtual cemetery experience.

The screenshot shows the memorial page for Amos Duffey. The page includes a sidebar with navigation links like 'Begin New Search', 'Refine Last Search', and 'Cemetery Lookup'. The main content area displays the memorial title 'Amos Duffey', tabs for 'Memorial', 'Photos', and 'Flowers', and a 'Share' button. The memorial details include birth and death dates (1851-1918), burial location (Center Grove Cemetery, Lincolnville, Wabash County, Indiana, USA), and a photo of the headstone. A 'Learn about upgrading this memorial...' link is visible. The page also features a 'Sponsor This Memorial!' button and a 'Vital Records Found For Amos Duffey in Indiana' section at the bottom.

Find A Grave is a resource for anyone in finding the final disposition of family, friends, and 'famous' individuals.

The screenshot shows the memorial page for Pvt John Duffey. The page includes a sidebar with navigation links like 'Begin New Search', 'Refine Last Search', and 'Cemetery Lookup'. The main content area displays the memorial title 'Pvt John Duffey', tabs for 'Memorial', 'Photos', and 'Flowers', and a 'Share' button. The memorial details include birth and death dates (1846-1863), burial location (Cumberland Gap, Claiborne County, Tennessee, USA), and a photo of the headstone. A 'Learn about upgrading this memorial...' link is visible. The page also features a 'Sponsor This Memorial!' button and a 'Vital Records Found For Amos Duffey in Indiana' section at the bottom.

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Sponsoring a memorial page will permanently remove the annoying ads from the page...and it only costs \$5! Sponsoring memorials is a great way to donate to Find A Grave because you can actually see the effects of your donation instantly! To sponsor any non-famous Find A Grave Memorial page, simply click the sponsorship link at the top of the page, fill out the secure sponsorship form and you're done!

DREAMS AND VISIONS AND HOPES AND FAMILY

If I were to write of my heart for the Duffey Clan, it would take pages and pages. Yet, what is a reunion to most of you? Torture you endure for the sake of your parents? A welcome break from a long hot summer? An obligatory time to help the kids connect? A chance to kick back and visit with kinfolks? I think it has been all of this to me at different points in time, and probably to most of you, too, if we were honest. But what CAN it be?

“About 200,000 families across North America get together for reunions each year, says Edith Wagner, editor of U.S.-based Reunions Magazine. The publication tracks reunion trends and statistics through polling. Most reunions have about 50 attendees, she says, and they usually take place on a weekend.

Why do people participate in them?

"People say it's to keep the kids connected," Wagner says. "But I think people just really enjoy them."

A true family reunion takes place just for the sake of familial bonding. “ — Vancouver Times, 2007



*I want my children
and grandchildren to be able to say, as I do now,*

Those Duffeys sure know how to hold a rip-roaring celebration!! They get together every year for some of the best homemade grub, gabbing, games, and goofing off together.

Let's not lose the momentum!!

I guess this is why I am dreaming big for the 100th Reunion... big fun... big hearts... Big dreams... big hopes.... Tours, haunts, games, roasts, campfires, time capsule, storytelling, memorabilia to buy and take home. Us Duffeys are like none other around. We tamed Indiana... nothing tames us!

100 YEARS STRONG!!

WHAT WILL YOUR DUFFEY LEGACY BE WHEN THE DAY IS OVER?