March 13, 2025

To: Our Williamson Family

From: The 2025 Michigan Family Reunion Committee

Re: THE WILLIAMSON FAMILY REUNION: JULY 31 - AUGUST 3, 2025

HELLO FAMILY!!

It's that time again! We hope all is well with everyone and that you are looking forward to the upcoming reunion here in Pontiac, Michigan. This correspondence letter is being sent to provide an update regarding where we are presently with the planning of our reunion.

REUNION INFORMATION:

The Reunion Cost. -- \$75.00 per person
*Senior family (Age 90+ reunion costs are free! The family will cover for you.)

As in past reunions we want to keep the cost as economical as possible to provide the best opportunity for family members to attend and have an enjoyable time. The Hotel and Picnic are concerns that necessitate immediate attention because deposits are required.

Reunion money is due by June 1st, 2025. Additionally, we can be contacted directly if you have questions, concerns, or need assistance. The Michigan Contacts are listed at the end of this document.

We are still finalizing additional methodology for payment.

Currently we are ONLY TAKING CHECKS as form of payment.

Our intention is to offer both a mailing address to send payments and secure online payment options.

Please send all check payments to:

c/o Kimberly McFadden WFR2025 79 Willow Way Waterford, MI 48328

HOTEL INFORMATION

Hyatt Place – Detroit/Auburn Hills, 1545 North Opdyke Road Auburn Hills, MI 48326 (248) 475-9393

Amenities:

Free Breakfast, Free Wi-Fi Internet Access, Digital Check-In, In-Room Chromecast, Free self-parking, Swimming Pool, Spa, Fitness Center, On-Site Restaurant, Accessible, Business Center, Meeting Facilities, Bar, Smoke free, 24-hour Concierge, Conference Center



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Hotel Cost:

We were able to negotiate a special family rate for the reunion!

Room Rates:

\$119/night for King Room (with Sofa Bed) - 1 to 4 adults. \$129/ night for Double Room (Two Double Beds + Sofa Bed) - 4 to 6 adults.

Guestroom rates are per night and are not subject to applicable occupancy tax. The room rates are comparable to those of past reunions.

IF THERE IS A NEED FOR ACCESSIBLE ROOM PLEASE REGISTER EARLY. Ask for an accessible room by phone or click the Accessible Room Option when making your online reservation. For any further questions regarding accessibility, please call (248) 475-9393.

PETS: Only housebroken dogs are only allowed AT A FEE, with an emergency phone number provided in advance. Maximum: 2

REGISTRATION: You can reserve your room TODAY by calling (248) 475-9393 and use the Williamson Family Reunion Special Rate Code: **G-WFRU**

BOOK YOUR RESERVATION using the link below: https://www.hyatt.com/group-booking/DETZA/G-WFRU

For assistance with reservations, please reach out to Ashleigh.Morris@Hyatt.com

IMPORTANT -

YOU CAN RESERVE YOUR ROOM(S) NOW ONLINE OR OVER THE PHONE WITH A CREDIT/DEBIT CARD.

Card numbers will be required, but NO FUNDS WILL BE CHARGED TO YOUR CARD! The deadline for booking your reservation and locking in the reunion rate is JULY 3rd, 2025. Although we reserved a block of rooms for our reunion, the rooms are first come first served, so we strongly suggest you reserve your room immediately!!



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REUNION ITINERARY:

The overall itinerary is nearly completed, but we are ironing out some of the finer details. Here is the general itinerary based upon what we have solidified.

THURSDAY, JULY 31

- Check-in / Hotel Registration
- Evening Family Fellowship

FRIDAY, AUGUST 1

- Bus Tour of select locations in Detroit
- Family Bowling

SATURDAY, AUGUST 2

- Family Picnic
- Game Night at the Hotel

SUNDAY, AUGUST 3

- Church Service
- Catered Lunch
- Check-out / Departure

FAMILY HISTORY SURVEY & SPECIAL EVENTS:

Our families are continuing to grow faster and faster every year, so we're asking you to please send your updated family information to us so that we may add it to the "Williamson Family Heritage Archive"; a curated collection for our Family History, Biographies and Family Photos.

We are collecting the information via digital survey this year! Please click on **THIS LINK** to participate in a 25 Question Survey.

We would also like to be informed of any *special events* that have occurred or will occur before our reunion in 2025.

(<u>Note</u>: Please only include events that have happened since our last reunion of 2023 in Atlanta, GA. Example: graduations, marriages, special awards, births, and of family members who have



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gone on to glory since our 2023 Family Reunion. If you would like to share pictures of said events, a funeral program, etc., please do so.)

This information will be given to our family historian, Dwight Williamson II. The deadline for this information is: July 1, 2025.

WEBSITE:

Dwight is developing a Family Website to securely share portions of the history that we have collected. The web address is: www.williamsonfamilyheritage.com

Currently, the website is geared toward the 2025 Family Reunion in Pontiac, Michigan, but there are plans in the works to expand its functionality to serve the family better.

If you have any questions, concerns, desire to assist, donations, contributions, photos, stories, ideas or anything else, feel free to contact him below.

Dwight Williamson II | email: dwightwilliamson2@gmail.com | phone: (313) 671-1081

FINALLY:

We would like for every member of the family to attend the 2025 reunion. We are asking the state contacts to make phone calls and follow-up to get the word out to family members in your state. Please let us know if you find errors in any addresses or e-mail addresses so they can be corrected in the next email.

Be Blessed!

Sincerely,

The 2025 Michigan Family Reunion Committee!







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