



## PREFACE

This publication encompasses the history of the Edington Family line beginning in Colonial America with Philip Edington and closing with Donald Ray Edington residing in Cheyenne, Wyoming in 2012. It uses the documentation of Charles Edington, Don's uncle, for much of the early history. Also noted is Judy Burns, who documented the Emery and Hardesty lines.

I searched periodicals, census records, online history, and numerous genealogy sites including Heritage Quest Online. Don and I traveled to many of the places the Edington families lived. We saw the marriage record of Philip and Abigail in St. Mary's Church in Burlington, New Jersey. We visited many cities called Edington in England, including Edington Somerset England and saw Edington Priory. The Edington Family Reunion July 4<sup>th</sup> 2010 in Bloomington, Indiana, helped consolidate the collection of documents, pictures and family stories. On that trip Earl visited his home in Lyons, Indiana where he was born, and met a cousin, Eugene Hardesty, still living there.

After the chapters you will find pedigree charts showing the lineage of the allied lines. Note, Abigail's line dates back to England, 1574 in Derbyshire England. The Pedigree chart begins with our son James B. Edington. You will find the descendancy charts for the Edington, Emery, Gaddis and Hardesty lines. There are ten generations of Edingtons noted, with the birth of Barrick, Jamisen and Rylan Edington our grandsons. The information from the notebooks sometimes conflict. Judy Burns would be the qualified resource on Emery and Hardesty links. There are blank sheets in the back you may copy and add your family's data.

No doubt there are going to be mistakes found as you read and absorb the chapters and the group sheets. I apologize in advance. The group sheets are typed from Uncle Charles's documents and in a few cases edited with census records and updates from family memory. The chapters are a compilation of notes, internet research and family stories. Some of the spellings are left as found in journals or as dictated. So please know that this is my best effort. Be sure to fix the error on your copy.

Secrets of our ancestors still lie in wait. Was Philip Edington of Edington, Somerset England our Philip that married Abigail Curtis in 1704 in Burlington, New Jersey? Where was Thomas Edington - 1863 really born, Indiana or Ohio? Where are all the Edingtons now? However, it is time to tidy up the lists, and pictures, notes and charts and publish the book. The next generation can take pleasure in the hunt for the elusive documents.