

The Plume Family

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Richard W. Plume moved to the Millersburg area in 1900 with his wife Sarah (Maynard) Plume. Richard worked on the Chandler farms when he first came to the area, which now is the Horrocks farm near Onaway. In 1903 he went to work for McKay's Mill, and at the same time bought property on the



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Plume was in charge of 10 men at the camp and his wife was the camp cook. They were at the camp with their children when the Metz fire swept the area. Plume and his men loaded the waiting wagons and led the horses through the surrounding fire. His face was badly burned and his eyes were swollen shut. They had to go to Millersburg for medical treatment from Dr. N.C. Monroe who was able to save his sight.

Their third child, Priddy, died at the age of two months and is

buried on the farm where the lilac tree blooms each year. When their son, Donald was born they moved to Rock Pointe, which is by Grand Lake. Their farm was taken over by Sarah's father, John D. Maynard.

In 1912 another daughter was born and named Mildred. It was an answer to Sarah's prayer to have another girl but seven years later her appendix ruptured and Mildred died.

Richard and Sarah moved back to Millersburg after he was hurt in a fall at the quarry in Rock Pointe. Sarah had some money she had earned and they purchased some river front property with it for \$300.

In 1926, their son, Harry married Pearl Walmsley. This was the same year John Maynard died and the Maynard family asked Harry to take over the care of the farm.

Harry and his wife had three boys, Garnet, Robert, and Eugene. He built the cobblestone house that now sits on the farm. The oldest son, Garnet lives there with his wife Virginia.



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Harry passed away in 1945, his father, Richard in 1950, and his mother, Sarah in 1955.