

Welcome Back

LUAU

**Daniel and Sophia Turknett
79th Family Reunion**

Friday, June 21, 2024

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Sunday, June 23, 2024

**American Legion
Buddy Wright Post No. 48
at Fireman's Park
903 N. Park Street
Brenham, Texas 77833**



Middle: Elnora (Big Momma) King Turknett
Wife of Daniel George Turknett
Right: Daniel George Turknett (Papa Turk)

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Warm Greetings Family!

We pray this invitational correspondence finds you and yours well and peaceful!

Memories of a lifetime! Reconnection! Laughter! Fun! A Welcome Back Luau! Your 2024 Turknett Family Reunion Planning Committee is excitedly planning a festive family reunion experience sure to honor and hold in memoriam our ancestors while creating new memories with familiar and newly met cousins. We invite *you* to join us in sharing our family's rich history and carrying the communing-together-torch into the future that was ignited approximately 79 years ago by our ancestors!

We are planning an array of exciting activities and opportunities for personable, intergenerational engagement for all attendees – fostering the opportunity to *really* engage with one another. A detailed weekend itinerary and information regarding the Family Business Meeting will be provided closer to the date of the reunion. However, we do need to immediately begin the registration and information gathering process. For 2024, this process will be entirely online via our dedicated and secure Turknett Family Reunion website (see link below) and other electronic communication processes as needed. (If needed, hold the 'Ctrl' key and click the link.)

<https://turknettfamily.com>



For your review, the following pages contain essential information for your participation, attendance and general knowledge. We plead with you, to please, share copies of this entire document with all family members within your family line and sphere of influence. As, only by each of us ensuring to reach another one of us will we have the opportunity to reach *all* our Turknett family members.

This correspondence is only the initial informational document. There will be many more to come as we keep you informed of the reunion information, processes and needs.

If you are unable to attend the 2024 reunion, we encourage you to still submit your updated family information on the *Registration Form* for our confidential family database. The Turknett Family database will not be shared or used for any purposes other than our own private family census and communicating with one another.

Weekend attire: In keeping with the luau-themed reunion, we encourage you to dress/plan your attire as creatively as you would like for the entire weekend!

Enjoy and share the *Save-the-Date* short embedded in the .mp4 link below created by Louis Williams II, a digital artist in the Ina Turknett family branch! (If needed, hold the 'Ctrl' key and click the link.)

[2024 Family Reunion Save the Date.mp4](#)

LODGING

For your convenience and choice, the Committee has secured special group nightly base rates with the following three (3) Brenham hotels. Reservations are open as of now and we encourage you to make your reservation without delay. There will not be an official ‘Hospitality Suite’ at either hotel. All gatherings, even late night, can be held at the venue, as our access includes late into the night.

Hampton Inn – 2605 Schulte Blvd, Brenham, TX 77833 | 979.337.9898

<https://hamptoninn.hotellandsuites.com/brenham/hamptoninn>



- ❖ \$159.00 nightly base rate for regular rooms (taxes and applicable fees are not included in the base rate).
- ❖ You must book under **2024 Turknett Family Reunion (TFR)** to receive the discount rate.
- ❖ A credit/bank card will be required to secure a reservation.
- ❖ 15 rooms have been reserved for the TFR. (Staff will provide room types.)
- ❖ Additional rooms, if needed and available, will be added in increments of 5.
- ❖ Reservations booked under another name cannot be added to the TFR group at a later time.
- ❖ Check-in at 4:00 p.m.
- ❖ 48-hour cancellation notice required, a \$159 fee will apply if cancellation is within 48-hours.
- ❖ A continental breakfast is available.

Holiday Inn Express & Suites – 2685 Schulte Blvd, Brenham, Texas 77833 | 979.830.5331

<https://holidayinnbrenhams.hotellandsuites.com> (the ‘s’ at the end of the hotel name is correct)

- ❖ \$145.99 nightly base rate for regular rooms (taxes and applicable fees are not included in the base rate).
- ❖ You must book under **2024 Turknett Family Reunion (TFR)** to receive the discount rate.
- ❖ A credit/bank card will be required to secure a reservation.
- ❖ 20 rooms have been reserved for the TFR (8 singles, 12 doubles).
- ❖ Additional rooms, if needed and available, will be added in increments of 5.
- ❖ Reservations booked under another name cannot be added to the TFR group at a later time.
- ❖ Check-in at 3:00 p.m.
- ❖ 24-hour cancellation notice required, a fee will apply if cancellation is within 24-hours.
- ❖ A full, hot breakfast buffet served daily.



Best Western Inn of Brenham – 1503 Highway 290 East, Brenham, Texas 77833 | 979.251.7791

https://www.bestwestern.com/en_US.html

- ❖ \$129.99 nightly base rate for regular rooms (taxes and applicable fees are not included in the base rate). This rate is available until May 21, 2024.
- ❖ You must book under **2024 Turknett Family Reunion (TFR)** to receive the discount rate.
- ❖ A credit/bank card will be required to secure a reservation.
- ❖ 15 rooms have been reserved for the TFR. (Staff will provide room types.)
- ❖ Additional rooms, if needed and available, will be added.
- ❖ Reservations booked under another name cannot be added to the TFR group at a later time.
- ❖ Check-in 3:00 p.m. | Check-out 11:00 a.m.
- ❖ 24-hour cancellation notice required, a fee will apply if cancellation is within 24-hours.
- ❖ A full, hot breakfast buffet served daily.



COMMUNICATING WITH YOUR 2024 FAMILY REUNION COMMITTEE

There are various methods available to correspond with your 2024 Turknett Family Reunion Planning Committee Executive Board. The bulleted info below is available for you to ask questions, express concerns, submit information, provide pictures/information for the family website, etc. The Turknett Family website will not be used for solicitations of any sort, nor is to be shared or copied outside. This Turknett family website is to remain secure and used only for the intended purposes of honoring our ancestors and celebrating and staying connected with each other in the present.

Turknett Family Website: <https://turknettfamily.com>



- Submit your registration documents and payments via the various links.
- Enjoy celebrating our heritage and family.
- Peruse the website and determine pictures, documents or news you would like to have included.
- Stay informed/ view updated reunion info.

Postal Mail: Turknett Family Reunion
c/o LaTosha Turknett
PO Box 11028
Houston, TX 77293

- If you are unable to register via the family website, you may mail your registration/t-shirt forms with your check/money order to this address.
- Checks/money orders payable to: LATOSHA TURKNETT



Email: famboard@turknettfamily.com

- Email your pictures, news, celebratory documents, questions, concerns, etc.

Phone Calls or Texts: Kim Turknett, 2024 Committee Co-Chair
346.300.1168



or

Bridgette Newsome-Hayes, 2024 Committee Co-Chair
832.561.3620



GENERAL INFORMATION

2024 Planning Committee Assistance

The 2024 Planning Committees listed below need YOU! TODAY! To offer your time and talents to the committees, please email your area of interest and contact information to: contact@turknettfamily.com.



- Food Committee
- Audio/Video/Photography Committee
- Activities Committee
- Welcome/Hospitality Committee
- Registration Committee
- Social Media Committee

Art Contest

The 2024 Turknett Family Reunion Planning Committee Executive Board is holding an art contest! We are in need of a logo for 2024 (1) general correspondence use and (2) the t-shirt graphic. The 2024 Executive Board will vote on which design to use. The design must be from a Daniel (Papa Turk) Turknett descendant and from ones own hand/creative expression – not from a friend, sourced art, etc. Below is the verbiage to include with the graphic design:

- Welcome Back Luau
- 79th Annual Turknett Family Reunion
- Friday, June 21 – Sunday, June 23, 2024
- Brenham, Texas

PLEASE NOTE: should you decide to submit a design – this is *only* on a voluntary, gifting basis to the 2024 Turknett Family Reunion. No monetary value, compensation, reimbursement or royalties will be provided to the artist for the use and duplication of the image on all the 2024 reunion items. Certainly, the artist should affix his/her identifier/signature to the design for proper recognition. Designs should be submitted via email at:



- contact@turknettfamily.com
- Art Contest submission **deadline: Sunday, December 31, 2023**

2024 Turknett Family Reunion Business Meeting

There will be a formal family business meeting on Saturday morning in conjunction with brunch. The exact time will be confirmed in the weekend itinerary closer to the date of the reunion. However, we urge you to consider, now, how you would like to engage in discussions/planning regarding the future of our Turknett family reunion.

Do you have parliamentarian skills? Practiced and experienced with Robert's Rules of Order? Experienced in capturing official meeting proceedings? Experienced in facilitating formal meetings? It would be great to hear from you! Please email your interest in assisting with the Family Reunion Business Meeting to: contact@turknettfamily.com.