

## LYLE'S HISTORY

By Louise

Lyle's middle name, Martin, was also his mother's maiden name. Her name was Eva (no middle name). His father was John Roscoe? Creamer.

Grandma always told that Grandpa disagreed about something with his family and quit having anything to do with them. He also changed the spelling of his name from Cramer or Kramer to Creamer.

Grandpa was a somewhat stern man, very much inclined to want the family to humor his every whim. Although I loved him because he was my grandfather, I do not think he practiced the Christianity he preached.

Grandma Creamer was one of the best influences in my life. She was very intelligent, a good  pianist and organist. musician + poet . In addition, she has humor, **\*\*imagination\*\***, and patience.

She and Grandpa gave me my stamp collecting set when I was 9 or 10, and she faithfully sent me unusual or foreign stamps and post cards all her life.

She encouraged <sup>my</sup> desire to read and learn. She gave us a piano and a violin, as well as that little portable typewriter. The summer we stayed there, she taught me touch typing (that's when she gave me the typewriter).

She had naturally curly reddish-brown hair which did not gray until she was an old lady.

Her shoulders tended to be rounded (stoop-shouldered)

especially as she got old. She was upset about it, and suggested several measures I could use to help me keep from having <sup>the same</sup> problem. One of them was to sleep without a pillow, which I still do.

John and Eva Creamer lived in a number of places, where he preached at the Methodist churches. Among these were Altoona and Howard in Kansas, Trinidad and Loveland in Colorado, and Newport, Kentucky. After they retired, they moved to Fort Myers, Florida.

Lyle graduated from high school at Howard or Moline, Kansas and attended Kansas University for two years. He stayed with his Grandma Martin while attending Kansas University.