

## **LAST ANNUAL FILBY REUNION in the USA – 2011**

The last annual Filby family reunion was held in Washington, Pennsylvania on Sunday, 31 July, 2011. This reunion was held every summer on the last Sunday in August, for the descendants of Orville Alva Filby. Sadly, attendance was lower than usual with only 25 people attending this year.



Orville was born on 18 March, 1894, in Bristoria, Greene County, Pennsylvania, the son of Thomas Filby (1840-1905) and Alice Eliza Sargent (1849-1916). Orville married Ethel May Fischer on 21 March, 1914. They had four daughters and five sons. After working for the Washington Tin Plate Company, Orville then worked for 15 years as a janitor at Eighth Ward School. Ethel passed away on 12 November, 1978 at the age of 85, and Orville died on 19 June, 1980.

At the reunion, a printed copy of the family tree was available covering the descendants of John Filbey (1760-1826), Orville Alva's great-great-grandfather. Attendees provided updates and additions to the information. The tree stems from the research originally carried out by Ellsworth Filby.

Jean-Jacques Filby 2011