

# Looking Back to Move Forward

## THE GREEN FAMILY TREE & World Events of that Time

### 1956 - Friday, March 1956 - My biological Mother - Trudy Kropetz Baumeister Green was born.

Massive resistance to Supreme Court desegregation rulings was called for Mar. 12 by 101 Southern congressmen. U.S. Supreme Court, Apr. 23, unanimously ruled against racial segregation on intrastate buses.

Federal-Aid highway Act signed June 29, creating interstate highway system. First transatlantic telephone cable activated Sept. 25. On Oct 8, in Game 5, Yankee right-hander Don Larsen pitched only perfect World Series game. Eugene O'Neill's *Long Day's Journey into Night*, autobiographical play about dissolution of his family, opened in November on Broadway.

### 1962 - Sunday, March 1962 - My biological Father - Herbert Charles Green was born.

Pres. Kennedy said Feb. 14 that U.S. military advisers in Vietnam would fire if fired upon. Lt. Col. John H. Glenn Jr. became first American in orbit Feb. 20 when he circled the earth 3 times in the Mercury capsule Friendship 7.

In *Baker v. Carr*, Mar. 26, Supreme Court ruled that constitutional challenges to unequal distribution of voters among legislative districts could be resolved by federal courts. James Meredith became first black student at Univ. of Mississippi Oct. after 3,000 troops put down riots.

A Soviet offensive missile buildup in Cuba was revealed Oct. 22 by Pres. Kennedy, who ordered naval and air quarantine on shipment of offensive military equipment to the island. He and Soviet Prem. Khrushchev agreed Oct. 28 on formula to end crisis. Kennedy announced Nov. 2 that missile bases in Cuba were being dismantled.

Rachel Carson's *Silent Spring* launched environmentalist movement.

### 1980 - Friday, December 1980 - My older sister - Natasha Lynn Green was born.

Trudy = 24 years old (24 years & 9 months old)

Herbert = 18 years old (18 years & 9 months old)

Pres. Carter announced, Jan. 4, economic sanctions against USSR in retaliation for Soviet invasion of Afghanistan. At Carter's request, U.S. Olympic Committee voted, Apr. 12, against U.S. participation in Moscow Summer Olympics. Lake Placid, NY, hosted Winter Olympics for second time. The U.S. hockey team defeated heavily favored Russian team Feb. 22 en route to winning gold medal in what was called a "miracle on ice."

Eight Americans killed and wounded, Apr. 24, in ill-fated hostage rescue attempt held by Iranian militants. Mt. St. Helens, in Washington State, erupted May 18. The blast, with others May 25 and June 12, left 57 dead. In sweeping victory, Nov. 4, Ronald Reagan was elected 40<sup>th</sup> president, defeating incumbent Pres. Carter. Republicans gained control of Senate. Former Beatle John Lennon was shot and killed by Mark David Chapman, Dec. 8, in New York City.

### 1982 - Thursday, August 12, 1982 - Me - Michael Ray Charles Green was born.

Trudy = 26 years old (26 years & 5 months old)

Herbert = 20 years old (20 years & 5 months old)

The 13-year-old Justice Dept. lawsuit against AT&T was settled Jan. 8. AT&T agreed to give up 22 Bell System Companies and was allowed to expand. Equal Rights Amendment, sent to states in 1972, defeated when deadline for ratification passed June 30 with only 35 of 38 necessary numbers of states supporting amendment. Centers for Disease control, July 16, reported evidence of growing AIDS epidemic, responsible for 184 deaths in country since first

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Reported in U.S. in June 1981. The economy showed signs of recovery from recession that began in mid-1981, as Dow Jones Industrial Average hit 1016.93 Oct. 13, its highest level in 18 months. NFL strikes ended Nov. 16 after 57 days when players and team owners settled with 1.6 bil pact. Retired dentist Dr. Barney B. Clark became first permanent artificial heart recipient, Dec. 2; he died Mar. 23, 1983. The House, Dec. 16, cited EPA administrator Anne Gorsuch for contempt after refusing to produce certain documents concerning the Superfund, law that established fund for cleanup and authorized prosecution of hazardous waste dumpers. Singer Michael Jackson's *Thriller* released; eventually considered best-selling album of all time.

### 1984 - Thursday, February 1984 - My younger brother - Marques Ray Charles Green was born.

Trudy = 27 years old (27 years & 11 months old)

Herbert = 21 years old (21 years & 11 months old)

Natasha = 3 years old (3 years & 2 months old)

Michael = 1 1/2 years old (1 year & 6 months old)

Seven regional companies took over local telephone service from AT&T, Jan. 1. On space shuttle Challenger's fourth trip, launched Feb. 3, two astronauts became first humans to fly free of a spacecraft. On May 7, Vietnam War veterans reached out-of-court settlement with 7 chemical companies in class-action suit over the herbicide Agent Orange.

Former Vice Pres. Walter Mondale won Democratic presidential nomination, June 6. He chose Rep. Geraldine Ferraro (D, NY) as vice presidential candidate, first woman to be nominated for position by major political party. Pres. Reagan signed bill July 17 cutting federal transportation aid to states that keep their drinking age under 21. Pres. Reagan reelected Nov. 6 in Republican landslide, carrying 49 states for record 525 electoral votes. Bernhard Goetz shot and wounded four allegedly menacing teenage boys on NYC subway train, Dec. 22; later acquitted of major charges but was successfully sued.

### 1990 - March - Herbert Charles Green - Deceased sometimes near his 28<sup>th</sup> birthday

Herbert = 28 years old

Trudy = 34 years old

Natasha = 9 years old (9 years & 3 months old)

Michael = 7 years old (7 years & 7 months old)

Marques = 6 years old (6 years & 1 month old)

Junk bond financier Michael Milken pleaded guilty to fraud-related charges, Apr. 14; agreed to pay \$500 mil in restitution; sentenced Nov. 21 to 10 years in prison. Justice William Brennan announced, July 20, resignation from U.S. Supreme Court. His replacement, Judge David Souter, confirmed Sept. 2. Pres. Bush signed Americans with Disabilities Act, barring discrimination against the disabled, July 26. Operation Desert Shield forces left for Saudi Arabia Aug. 7, to defend that country following invasion of Kuwait by Iraq, Aug. 2. Pres. Bush Nov. 15 signed into law Clean Air Act, strengthened version of Clean Air Act of 1970; focus on urban pollution, cancer-causing emissions from industrial sources.

### 1991 - June - Michael is placed in long-term Foster Home/Care Placement with Foster Parent Nancy H. Conner and foster siblings Shenea Conner & Keith Jones

Trudy = 35 years old

Herbert = would have been 29 years old

Natasha = 11 years old

Michael = 9 years old

Marques = 7 Years old

Shenea = 16 years old

Keith = 14 years old



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