

Grandpa Joe

By Gene McCain

Preface

When I was working on my first book* about my Dad, John N. McCain, I began learning a lot about his dad, Joe P. McCain, and realized that many of the traits and characteristics that John exhibited had come from his dad, my Grandpa Joe. So, I decided that it would be worth the time to continue my research on Joseph Presley McCain. As I began following his life's experiences, I would notice dates on other historical occurrences, and realized that I normally never thought about other things that were taking place during the life of our earlier generations – things that to me just took place a hundred or so years ago, but never connected the fact that for our ancestors, these were current items that they were hearing about, and even sometimes experiencing on a personal level. So, as a result of this observation, you will find a lot of timely historical references that may have affected the life and thinking of the specific people about whom I am writing. I hope these references and side notes will also give you a greater appreciation of the times within which our ancestors lived.

Happy Reading,
Gene McCain

* "Everything's Rosy, The John N. McCain Story"

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