Family Group Report for John Fitzgerald KENNEDY

NAME: John Fitzgerald KENNEDY, Born 29 May 1917 in Brookline, Norfolk Co, MA, Died 22 Nov 1963 in Dallas, Dallas Co, TX; FATHER: Joseph Patrick KENNEDY, Born 6 Sep 1888, Died 18 Nov 1969 at age 81; MOTHER: Rose Elizabeth FITZGERALD, Born 22 Jul 1890; John F. Kennedy's charismatic personality was evident from early childhood, as was his competitiveness. His love of books and history, capacity for introspection and curiosity about ideas developed largely from the many hours he spent in bed with illnesses, starting with a particularly virulent attack of scarlet fever when he was two and one-half years old. Although he was often absent from school and illness forced him to drop out of a preparatory school and later, Princeton University, he graduated cum laude from Harvard University in 1940.

With the 1944 death of his brother Joe, the family's political ambitions transferred to Jack. His road to the White House began withhis election to Congress in 1946. Three terms there and he was ready to wrest a Senate seat from the popular Republican Henry Cabot Lodge, Jr.

Jack's foray into presidential politics started with his narrow defeat for nomination to be the vice presidential candidate on the 1956 ticket with Adlai Stevenson, Jr. In 1960 he sought and won the presidential nomination and subsequently, the election. When he took his oath of office on the old family Bible that had belonged to the first Fitzgerald to come to America, he was affirming the immigrant belief in America.

On November, 22, 1963, John F. Kennedy was assassinated by Lee Harvey Oswald in Dallas, Texas.

EVENT Information:

01: Burial, DATE: 25 Nov 1963(), PLACE: Arlington, Arlington Co, VA

MARRIED 12 Sep 1953 to Jacqueline Lee BOUVIER, Born 28 Jul 1929 in Southampton, Long Island, NY; FATHER: John Vernou BOUVIER, Born 19 May 1891, Died 2 Aug 1957 at age 66; MOTHER: Janet Norton LEE, Born 1906

CHILDREN:

- 1. F (infant) KENNEDY, Born 23 Aug 1956, Died 23 Aug 1956
- 2. F Caroline Bouvier KENNEDY, Born 27 Nov 1957 in New York City, NY, married Edwin SCHLOSSBERG on 19 Jul 1986; Caroline Lee Kennedy Schlossberg was only 3 years old when her father was elected 35th President of the United States. After his death in 1963 her mother, Jacqueline Bouvier Kennedy, fiercely guarded her and brother John's privacy to ensure as normal an upbringing as possible away from continuous public scrutiny.
 - She attended the Brearly School in New York, Concord Academy andRadcliffe College in Massachusetts as well as Sotheby's fine arts training school in London. She is an accomplished horsewoman, poet, painter and photographer.
- 3. M John Fitzgerald KENNEDY, Born 25 Nov 1960 in Washington, DC; John Fitzgerald Kennedy, Jr. was born to a newly elected President of the United States as an entire country waited in anticipation. The toddler who was known for playing "hide and seek" in the oval office says he has no recollection of those years. It was John Jr.'s 3rd birthday when he stood by his mother and sister and saluted his father's flag-draped coffin.
 - John attended Philips Academy and Boston College. He has an active interest in the theater and appeared in school productions. He made his New York debut in August of 1985 in an invitation only production of "Winners" where he played the male lead.
- 4. M Patrick Bouvier KENNEDY, Born 7 Aug 1963 in Falmouth, Barnstable Co, MA, Died 9 Aug 1963 in Boston, Suffolk Co, MA