

Frank Martin
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Wouldn't it be nice to go back in time, and meet all the people you most admire? I would and that took me all the way back to the year 1880 when my great great grandfather was born. My great great grandfather is Frank Martin. He was a very well known man in the Page, Arizona area. Back in the 1900's, people in the Page area would've known him as Daagha Holini. Which is his Navajo name. In English it translates to "Bearded Man." He was born when it was cold. They didn't have calendar's back then so my great grandmother (his daughter), told me they went by seasons and the stars and the moon. They could read the stars and figure out the time of the night, and the moon determined a new month. The sun helped them determine what time of day it was.

Frank Martin was very very tall. I would say around 7'foot tall. He was also very strong and a hard working man. He rode horses a lot and I would assume so because he had only a wagon for transportation. He was a hard working man because he had a lot of livestock, including at least 1,000 heads of sheep. He also had 16 known children and two wives. His two wives were sisters. His children were all born at home. They didn't have children at hospitals.

Hogans is what they lived in. There were no paved roads, only dirt roads. He hauled wood in his wagon and also hauled water in water

barrels. He hauled water from Kaibeto, Arizona which was roughly 40 to 50 miles from where he was building a dam. Along with hauling water and wood, he built dams. Hand made dams. He helped build a Cameron bridge which still stands today in Cameron, Arizona.

Unfortunately , the bridge is no longer in use. Frank Martin hauled steel for the bridge from Flagstaff, Arizona. Cameron to Flagstaff is 52 miles, one way! Can you imagine taking that in a wagon and how long it would take? WOW!

My great great grandfather was a devoted christian. When he was about the age 84, he had a stroke. My great Grandmother (his daughter) said he was healed from his stroke by the grace of God. After the stroke, he lived another 14 years and passed away in his sleep when he was 98.

My name is Brylee Daniels and I am the fifth generation of Frank Martin.