

## The Quarter in the Bank

Roy and Edna Moore  
began their post-war venture  
with empty pockets

saving this quarter  
to bankroll their married life  
and recall their roots

dreaming of a home  
to hold family treasures,  
love's rich dividends

eighty years forward,  
their roots bore twenty-one sprouts  
from three strong daughters

we, their grateful clan  
count our wealth of blessings in  
loving memory

— Susan Moore Dana



The story: Roy and Edna put this quarter—their entire savings—in this doggy-bank in 1945 upon arrival in Kansas City from Ohio after WWII. Unopened, it traveled with them throughout their lives in Kansas and South Dakota until their deaths in 2003. Susan and Shawna had always known the keepsake doggy-bank contained that priceless quarter but had never seen it. The coin was retrieved December 2, 2023, by Shawna Moore and Gary Davidson.

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