

A TRANSADDITION ANCESTRY

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In the November 1992 and May 1993 *Kickshaws*, Peter Newby wrote of a transaddition ancestry where each woman gave her daughter a name which was a transdeletion of her own, "I" being the end of the line. At least so he says, but, if they named their daughters that way, Brenda Eva Nellie's mother was *not* Brenda Elvira Rene!

Here is an ancestry of my own. It shows the same transdeletion tradition, "I" being at the end of the line. However, the ancestors here were more imaginative in naming their daughters. None of them gave her daughter any of her own names or those of any of her ancestors. The woman with which this ancestry begins was not just a "Grande Dame" but a "Grande Pangrandma"!

Zana Jacqui Flow Vest Brighde Kym Pixie
 Zowie Judith Fran Alix Mavis Peg Becky
 Zuba Jody Fatmeh Vicki Spring Alexie
 Xenia Mayvis Bridget Hopeful Jacki
 Fidelma Virtue Gabi Josepha Nicky
 Josephina Maudie Gilberta Vicky
 Victoria Pheby Magdaline Sukie
 Virginia Phoebe Micaela Dusty
 Hibernia Lucia Paige Modesty
 Amphelisia Egidia Courtney
 Carmelita Dionysia Euphie
 Precious Maidie Nathalie
 Patricia Medina Heloise
 Sophie Araminta Delice
 Carita Ophelia Denise
 Catherine Opal Sadie
 Stephanie Cordelia

Doritha Pleasance
 Haroldene Stacie
 Doriana Celeste
 Rosalinde Tace
 Dorcas Elaine
 Cora Daniele
 Carla Dione
 Carolinda
 Clarinda
 Larinda
 Andria
 Diana
 Dina
 Ida
 Di
 I

If reusing a name were allowed, you could go on ad nauseam, and the transadding doesn't get any harder. Even if it were banned, you could still go on for far longer than I cared to. I intended brevity to be a merit: to set a goal so that, the fewer stages and fewer names are needed, the better. (The above ancestry uses 33 stages and 92 names.) Hence the goal to make the line begin with a pangram.

All names are in *Everyman's Dictionary of First Names* by Leslie Dunkling and William Gosling.