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President's Page

I hope you made a New Year's resolution to write about one of your Arkansas families and submit it to the Family History Writing Contest. The fun for me is searching and finding the answers to the puzzle, which has been my excuse for not taking the time to write about my families. I don't enjoy writing, but the family stories deserve to be shared and I shouldn't wait until I have all the answers. Someone else reading the story may have the missing piece. The deadline for the Family History Writing contest is June 30, but you can submit an article for publication in the Arkansas Family Historian anytime. The publications committee welcomes your articles and pictures and will work with you to get your family story ready for publication.

AGS members and friends who went to Salt Lake City in December had a great time. It was such a busy week that some of us did not see each other again until it was time to come home. We did manage to get almost everyone in one place long enough to take a group picture which is on page 34 of this issue. We won't be planning another trip to Salt Lake City this year, but will try to plan a less ambitious trip for our membership. Any preferences? E-mail me at jhdavenport@comcast.net.

Many of you know that the NGS 27th Annual Conference in the States and NGS GENTECH 2005 will be held in Nashville, TN June 1-4. There will be great lectures and lots of exhibitors. AGS will have a booth in the exhibit hall, so stop by to introduce yourself and get to know the board members that will be attending.

AGS continues to sponsor two quality seminars each year for genealogists. The "Spring Event" on April 9 will feature Pamela Boyer Porter, a gifted writer and lecturer who not only educates, but entertains. The registration form appears in this issue.

If you have research in the British Isles you will not want to miss our Fall Seminar October 21 and 22. Our guest lecturer will be Sherry Irvine of Courtenay, British Columbia. Sherry is an internationally known speaker, Course Coordinator for the English and Scottish courses at Samford IGHR, and the group leader for BIGHR trips to England and Scotland. If you want to know more about Samford and their educational opportunities visit their website at <http://www.samford.edu/schools/ighr/ighr.html>. Sherry will speak on ways to research in America before taking that trip to visit your ancestral home. You will hear more about Sherry and the Fall Seminar in coming issues.

The Priors Volume 3 book and CD should be ready for publication soon. The AGS mailing list will announce when orders can be taken and members will receive a flyer. This ongoing project is successful because of dedicated volunteers. You do not have to be on the Board of Directors or live in Arkansas to be a vital part of AGS. Any member can submit an article, Bible record, cemetery survey, or photograph to the Arkansas Family Historian or help at a conference or workshop.

Please make suggestions as to what you would like AGS to offer to its membership.

I feel honored to be asked to serve another term and thank you for your support the past two years.

Regards,
Jan Hearn Davenport, President
Arkansas Genealogical Society

Arkansas Genealogical Society

A member of the National Genealogical Society and the Federation of Genealogical Societies

The Arkansas Genealogical Society began in 1962 and is incorporated as a non-profit organization. The purpose of this society is to promote and educate its members in genealogy, to publish articles pertaining to Arkansas ancestors, and to locate and preserve genealogical, historical, and biographical information determined worthy of publication.

Membership

Any person interested in genealogy is encouraged to become a member by payment of dues in advance for one year. Annual dues are \$25.00 for individual, \$35.00 for family (only one publication per family), \$35.00 for residents outside the USA and \$100.00 for patrons. This includes a year's subscription to the society's periodicals. Make your check or money order payable to: AGS, P. O. Box 17653, Little Rock, AR 72222.

Back Issues

Back issues of *The Arkansas Family Historian* are available while supplies last. The entire set can be purchased on microfiche with our publications order form or from our website.

Research Policy

The society regrets that we do not provide research for members. We do suggest that anyone wanting fee-based research refer to the Association of Professional Genealogists website for a list at www.apgen.org.

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Authors and publishers may submit books for review by the AGS Book Review Committee. Books should be sent to Susan Boyle, 57 Plantation Acres Dr., Little Rock, AR 72210. All materials become the property of AGS to be distributed as the society deems appropriate.

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Members may submit brief queries related to Arkansas ancestors to be published in *The Arkansas Family Historian*. Send queries by e-mail to Publications@agsgenealogy.org or mail them to AGS Queries, P. O. Box 17653, Little Rock, AR 72222. Be sure to include your name, address, e-mail address and phone number.

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Members are requested to submit articles to be considered for publication. Photographs and materials will not be returned. Sources should be cited as footnotes or endnotes. Materials can be submitted by e-mail at Publications@agsgenealogy.org or on disk to AGS, P. O. Box 17653, Little Rock, AR 72222. The right to edit all material submitted is reserved by the Publications Committee. The submitter must include name, address, phone number and e-mail address with the material. Proof copies will be sent prior to printing.

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AGS Board Resolutions

The following resolutions were passed by the AGS Board on January 15, 2005.

Resolution of the Arkansas Genealogical Society in Support of the Arkansas State Archives

Be it resolved, that the Arkansas Genealogical Society supports the institution of the Arkansas State Archives as the repository and guardian of documents, papers, books and photographs valuable and meaningful to the study of Arkansas history, people, politics, government, places, events, institutions, arts, education, religion, geography, commerce and development. Furthermore, we support the mission of the Archives to make those materials available to the researching public in the most convenient and knowledgeable, yet safe and secure, way possible. We recognize that the Arkansas State Archives draws researchers from other states and other countries, and therefore it should enhance the state's reputation by being the preeminent research facility for Arkansas history.

To that end, be it resolved that the Arkansas Genealogical Society calls on the Arkansas History Commission, as the governing board of the Arkansas State Archives, to manage, fund, staff and oversee the State Archives in a way that preserves and processes documentary sources and acquires published materials important to the study of Arkansas and southern history, and ensures their availability for study and use by interested historians, scholars, teachers, students, authors, writers and hobbyists in a patron-friendly setting.

We believe that efforts should be made to publicize the important long-term effects of a proactive well-functioning State Archives on the cultural, historical, and educational life of the state's citizens and on the state's reputation in the minds of others. Furthermore, a modern, interactive, technologically current, well-managed state archives with adequate parking can be an attraction to historians, students, and writers of all kinds who make an economic impact while visiting the state.

Resolution of the Arkansas Genealogical Society in Appreciation of Dr. John L. Ferguson

Be it resolved, that the board of directors of the Arkansas Genealogical Society, on behalf of its members, wishes to express its appreciation for the many years of public service that Dr. John L. Ferguson provided as State Historian and Director of the Arkansas History Commission and State Archives.

Post-1900 White County, Arkansas, Wills

The following list was submitted by Ed Sanders. It contains the names of persons whose wills were left to be filed at the White County Courthouse after 1900. The list was maintained by the County Clerk and includes the date filed, address of the testator, and the name of the person who would pick up the will. Many of the wills were never retrieved.

| Name | Date Filed | Address | To Be Picked Up By: |
|---|------------|---------------------------|--|
| Akin, Guy E. | 5/17/1966 | | Ramah Lee Akin |
| Alexander, Reba V. | 7/12/1955 | | |
| Allen, Herman | 6/1/1950 | | Mrs. Herman Allen |
| Allen, Waunita A. | 9/13/1960 | 413 W Woodruff, Searcy | Ella J. Christopher |
| Anderson, Herbert F. | 2/14/1961 | | |
| Anderson, Treva | 2/14/1961 | | |
| Ashcraft, Rose Z. | 5/23/2001 | 222 267 Spur, Beebe | Kenny R. Termin or T. Ashcraft or M. Graybill |
| Bacus, Elmer Carl III | 3/1/2001 | | Terri Lawon |
| Baker, Moses | 11/26/1943 | | George Schug or his heirs |
| Baldwin, Edwin Alton | 2/13/1964 | | |
| Baldwin, Geo W. | 10/13/1938 | | |
| Baldwin, Lena | 10/13/1938 | | |
| Barnes, J. B. Jr. | 11/22/1943 | | |
| Barry, Edward G. Jr. | 6/15/1962 | | |
| Baugh, B. W. | 12/7/1949 | | |
| Bayles, G. R. | 4/30/1935 | | |
| Beard, Craig Wyeth | 5/21/1987 | | Kathleen Beard or Jean Beard |
| Beard, Kathleen Klein | 5/21/1987 | | Craig Beard or Margaret Klein |
| Beavers, J. A. M. | 10/30/1940 | Roosevelt, Arkansas | Opened by Sarah Beaver 1948 |
| Beck, L. B. | 7/19/1967 | | |
| Beckett, Roy | 3/18/1952 | Griffithville | Jennevie Baker Johnson |
| Belew, Maura E. | 12/15/1921 | | |
| Bennett, Frank D. | 11/14/1957 | | Mattie Bennett or Louise Bennett |
| Berg, Jane | | | |
| Biram, Madelene W. | 7/2/1971 | | |
| Birdsong, Alma Margaret | 4/25/1962 | | Linda Sample or Kenneth Sample |
| Birdwell, J. D. | 12/3/1958 | | Mary Alice Birdwell |
| Black, Robert O. (Mrs.) | 5/15/1944 | Kensett, Arkansas | |
| Bodley, Horace W. | 6/12/1962 | Higginson | Louis E. Love, Jr. |
| Bodley, Horace W. & Victoria Agda Bodley | 8/17/1962 | | |

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|-------------------------------------|-------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Boyce, William Franklin | 2/8/1963 | | Shirley K. Boyce or Connie S. Boyce |
| Branscum, Elizabeth Eugenia | 3/15/1968 | | |
| Brawner, R. L. | 12/2/1938 | Bald Knob | |
| Brown, Cyrus F. | 1/3/1968 | | |
| Brown, E. F. | 9/14/1933 | Georgetown, Arkansas | |
| Brown, Elvin R. | 9/1/1951 | | |
| Bruce, Anna (Mrs.) | 4/9/1938 | | |
| Burgess, Reuben J. | 7/27/1948 | 5124 Prairie Ave Chicago IL | Gordon Armitage or Holsey Burgess |
| Burke, R. A. | 10/21/1921 | | R. A. Burk or his executor |
| Burkett, J. T. | 4/13/1955 | | |
| Byram, Claya Lea | 11/4/1996 | Searcy | Jeffrey Hunter Byram, or et al. |
| Byram, Jeffrey Hunter | 11/4/1996 | Searcy | Claya Lea Byram or et al. |
| Cain, W. R. | 11/15/1927 | | Cora Cain |
| Caldwell, William H. | 1/21/1952 | | |
| Cates, Gracie | 9/29/1962 | | |
| Chandler, James A. | 2/15/1943 | | |
| Coleman, George Bingiman | 4/19/1933 | | |
| Corbin, Carl Troy | 6/6/1944 | | |
| Courtney, Jane | 2/12/1954 | | |
| Covington, A. F. | 3/16/1937 | | |
| Covington, Idelia | 1948 | Rosebud, Arkansas | |
| Covington, Floy Mae | 4/11/2000 | 706 N Birch, Searcy | Catherine Ashley or Charlotte Jackson |
| Cowan, Alter Lee | 5/8/1965 | | Mary Alice Lyons |
| Crawford, Fred | 1/28/1930 | | |
| Critz, Hartwell (Sam) | 5/7/1924 | Judsonia | |
| Crockett, Elbert H. | 8/16/1962 | | Mrs. William Bettencourt |
| Crockett, Rebecca E. | 8/16/1962 | | Mrs. William Bettencourt |
| Crook, Joe B. | 3/30/1959 | | Mrs. Joe B. Crook |
| Crow, Pearl | 4/18/1968 | Kensett | Emma T. Williams or Helen T. Williams |
| Dabney, James G. | 7/1/1944 | | |
| Daugherty, J. M. Katie | 5/31/1949 | | Twila D. Baker |
| Davis, Richard Huel & Margaret Dale | 10/2/1963 | Searcy | Mrs. Bobbie Elkins |
| Davis, Walter And Esther | 8/17/1972 | | |

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| Dennis, P. R. | 7/22/1966 | | |
| Dickens, Lela Berry | 12/3/1958 | | T. A. (Lonzo) Dickens |
| Dillon, Charles L. | 2/9/1999 | 101 Indian Trail, B.K. | Rita McDougal or Connie Russell |
| Doran, Thomas J. | 4/29/1965 | | |
| Doyle, W. R. | 6/22/1967 | | Ed Lightle |
| Droke, S. J. (Mrs. Cooper) | | | Ed Quinton Lindsey |
| Duncan, Altha Enola | 1/15/1968 | | |
| Duncan, Iva D. | 1/5/1976 | | Leo Duncan or Norma Whitlow |
| Duncan, N. H. (Mrs.) | 11/20/1924 | | Sam Duncan |
| Edwards, Jasper Newton | | | |
| Eiland, Freeda | 4/29/1975 | | Doyle Coward |
| Eiland, Minnie Bone | | | |
| Elliott, Mattie | | | |
| Ellis, Lovenia Pearl | 4/26/1962 | | |
| English, O. O. | 4/7/1967 | | |
| Ewing, Isaac | 3/29/1926 | | |
| Falson, Robert | 3/15/1948 | Searcy | |
| Farnsworth, Robert Lee | 4/30/1964 | | Lowell Lee Farnsworth |
| Ferguson, Treas M. | 11/6/1959 | Beebe | Mrs. Treas M. Ferguson |
| Fletcher, M. J. | 1943 | | |
| Ford, Ernest | 6/4/1962 | | Ottie Ford |
| Foreman, Harley | 11/10/1953 | | |
| Foreman, Nora | 11/10/1953 | | |
| Free, L. D. and Mearlene | 2/5/1986 | | Billy Wayne Free or Kenneth Lee Free |
| Gentry, Cecil Eugene | 11/14/1962 | Kensett | John Tom Gentry |
| Gilbert, Dollie | 9/6/1968 | | |
| Glover, Daisy Maud | 5/6/1957 | Griffithville | |
| Glover, Daniel Elmer | 5/6/1957 | Griffithville | |
| Goad, Alta | 3/12/1959 | | Odell Pollard |
| Goad, Eva E. | 1/15/1962 | | |
| Goff, Louise | 8/14/1979 | | Mary Ellen Ruble or Dale Goff |
| Goff, Winnie Dill | 11/4/1964 | | Any of her children |
| Gray, Charles C. | 10/5/1964 | | Costley Gray |
| Grayson, Ernest Jr. | 3/17/1952 | | |
| Hall, Ava Davis | 6/7/1967 | | Leonard Davis |
| Hall, Jesse | 6/23/1972 | | James E. Hall |
| Hammock, C. M. | 6/25/1929 | Pangburn | |
| Hancox, James | 7/27/1994 | | Elouise Hancox or Opal Sparaco |
| Hansing, Martha Jane | 8/3/1966 | | Truett Langley |

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| Hardcastle, Muriel Barnett | 2/2/1959 | | Oran Wallace Hardcastle, Sr. |
| Harris, Richard Ferrell, Jr. | 2/18/1986 | | Louise Harris |
| Harrison, Claud H. | 3/24/1964 | | Stella Harrison or Auita Crain |
| Hays, Janie | 6/8/1977 | | Phil Shoffner |
| Heathscott, W. W. | 4/29/1960 | Higginson | Mrs. Violet Lampburs |
| Hedrick, James A. | 8/20/1963 | 7 Harding Drive, Searcy, AR | Mrs. James A. Hedrick |
| Hefner, H. G. | 3/4/1945 | | |
| Hefner, Myrl C. | 8/8/1950 | | |
| Henderson, Vernon | 1/13/1976 | | Agnes Henderson or Vivia Algood |
| Henderson, Ward R. | 6/26/1944 | | |
| Herring, H. E. (Mrs.) | 8/27/1956 | | |
| Hicks, Edythe R. | 10/15/1975 | | |
| Hicks, Shelby Lenox | 10/15/1975 | | |
| Hilton, Clyde Maurice | 7/3/1989 | | Sandra Ellen Hilton or S. Gael Bright |
| Hilton, Sandra Ellen | 7/3/1989 | | Clyde Maurice Hilton or S. Gael Bright |
| Hilton, Thomas | 7/26/1962 | Finnville, Michigan | Martha Ann Corbit Hilton |
| House, Margot Carlene | 8/26/1993 | | |
| Hughes, Lula | 8/23/1946 | | |
| Hunter, Luella | 6/8/1969 | | |
| Hyde, Elna H. | 9/11/1969 | | Executor appointed by court |
| Hyde, G. A. | 9/11/1969 | | Executor appointed by court |
| Jackson, Ida | 3/12/1934 | Tuckerman | |
| Jackson, John N. | 7/18/1967 | | Vida Jackson |
| Jackson, Mary J. | 10/25/1930 | | |
| Johnston, Arch Lane | 10/18/1963 | | Peel A. Johnston |
| Johnston, Arch Lane | 11/29/1995 | | Peel A. Johnston |
| Joshlyn, Lillie | | Walker | |
| Joyce, Mamie Lucille | 10/18/1971 | | Willie Maud Tillman or Gloria Sue Fisher |
| Kinsman, Bruce John | 1/6/1993 | | Gregory Kinsman or Vaughn B. Kinsman |
| Kinsman, Regina Louise | 1/6/1993 | | Gregory J. Kinsman or Vaughn B. Kinsman |
| Kuhns, Rose Anna | 4/12/1993 | | Bethune Law Firm |
| Kyzer, George, Jr. | 8/13/1996 | | Susan Myres or Robert Kyzer or Barbara Janes |
| Lambert, Ella Winston | 11/9/1923 | | |

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| Lampton, Susie Jane | 4/24/1961 | | Lela Taylor Cooley, Puducah KY |
| Lance, Thomas Edward | 4/12/1947 | Georgetown | |
| Langford, Hiram T. | | | |
| Lashlee, Herbert Clifton | 3/9/1944 | | |
| Latture, Otis | | Beebe | |
| Lawson, Dewey Porter | 1/3/1944 | | |
| Lewis, Frank Walter | 5/19/1947 | 1824 Rudger St, St. Louis, MO | |
| Lewis, Onie | 6/23/1924 | | |
| Lindsey, David Andrew | 7/23/1951 | | |
| Lucas, Ellie | 7/23/1957 | | Lela Walker |
| Lucas, Paul J. | 3/10/1925 | | Geo Louks |
| Majors, Charles | 10/9/1918 | | |
| Mangum, A. S. | 6/29/1922 | | |
| Mangum, Benjamin | 8/2/1917 | Bald Knob, AR | |
| Marr, Ellison Nolen | 6/19/1937 | | |
| Martin, Hazel | 2/8/1979 | Beebe | Kimel Johnson or Richard Johnson |
| Martin, Marvin | 2/8/1979 | Beebe | Anthony Martin, Sr. or Rickey Martin |
| Martin, Mary O. | 10/8/1959 | | Wayne Pyeatt |
| Mason, D. W. | 3/9/1914 | | |
| Mason, Emma Lafferty | 11/23/1955 | | |
| McBrady, H. | 6/9/1949 | Russell, AR | Lee Chisag or Gordon Armitage |
| McCallister, Nora | 3/21/1938 | | |
| McCauley, Alma | 10/7/1955 | | |
| McDaniel, W. A. | 7/8/1965 | | |
| McEntire, Dormitt L. | 10/7/1954 | | Dr. C. C. Summers |
| McKnight, Blanch | 5/17/1962 | Bradford | Bryan Nick |
| Merryfield, James and Janice | 9/11/1965 | | Shirley Ann Losey |
| Miles, Louise | 6/13/1942 | | |
| Miller, J. M. | 7/14/1932 | | |
| Miller, Nina Goree | 12/15/1975 | 834 Apple, Beebe | Kenneth Goree or Grace Wright |
| Monday, Allen R. and Pauline E. | 7/2/1979 | | Allen, Joseph, Michael, Rebecca Monday |
| Moore, Ellen G. | | | |
| Morrison, Henry L., Jr. | 2/2/1944 | | |
| Nelson, William Orlando | 4/19/1955 | Kensett | |
| Newkirk, Martin Wayne | 3/7/1991 | | Connie Newkirk |
| Newsom, Ethel | 3/7/1955 | Beebe | |

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| Nickels, Clabourne W. | 3/14/1945 | | |
| Niswander, Richard W. | 10/9/1943 | | |
| Norman, Anna Brock | 6/20/1990 | | Danny Brock or Patsy Taylor |
| Norris, Lester and Zola | 5/20/1963 | | |
| O'Neal, George | | | |
| Orlando, Deborah Amar | 2/22/1983 | | Thomas S. Orlando or Robert F. Littlefield |
| Orlando, Thomas Salvatore | 2/22/1983 | | Deborah A. Orlando or Robert Littlefield |
| Ort, Albert L. and Hulda | 11/23/1959 | | Robert L. Ort |
| Parks, Agnes B. | 4/2/1992 | | |
| Peeler, Malcolm | 12/27/1943 | | |
| Pelley, James A. | 6/8/1966 | | Bertha Pelley |
| Pennington, George Harold | 1/21/1993 | | |
| Pennington, Linda Laree | 1/21/1993 | | |
| Plummer, Hubert Leon | 12/1/1986 | | Betty Leon Taine Plummer |
| Prewitt, Judge | 2/12/1968 | | |
| Price, H. I. & L. | 6/25/1979 | | Bennie Price |
| Pritchard, Michael L. | 9/5/2000 | | Michael Pritchard or Jack D. Childers |
| Protho, Emma | 9/16/1938 | | |
| Rainwater, Albert W. | 2/8/1944 | | |
| Rickett, Elvin Dale | 4/5/1994 | | Hazel Rickett or Patricia Toddy |
| Ritchie, Andy Thomas, Jr. & Kathryn Cullum | 5/23/1963 | | Andy T. Ritchie III or Edward C. Ritchie |
| Roberts, Edna Mae | 7/23/1963 | | Ethel McGrady (Kansas City, MO.) |
| Roberts, Sylvia R. | 5/6/1968 | | |
| Roberts, W. H. | 5/6/1968 | | |
| Roetzel, George | 6/24/1958 | | Vilas Womack |
| Roetzel, Huron A. | 1/13/1959 | Russell | Ruby Roetzel |
| Rogers, Herfirl Lewis | 1/8/1948 | | |
| Rogers, Laura | 9/15/1942 | | |
| Rogers, Sallie | 4/20/1929 | Searcy | William J. Walker |
| Ross, Charlene L. | | | Mary Fern Boyce |
| Rudd, Benjamin F. | 8/15/1944 | | |
| Sarringer, Marvin R. | 2/9/1976 | | Clyde Snow |
| Schaub, Frederick S. | 3/21/1945 | | |
| Schug, Annie Irene | 5/2/1968 | | |

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| Scrape, Wilma | 5/3/1990 | | Robert Glidewell or Mark Glidewell |
| Seaton, E. J. | 1/8/1924 | | |
| Sellers, Ruby | 7/21/1993 | | Curtis Sellers or Mary L. A. Bailey or Paul Temple |
| Shue, C. S. | 10/15/1942 | | |
| Shue, C. S. | 1/2/1953 | | |
| Smith, Bobby W., M.D. | 8/11/1995 | | Jo Anna Smith or Elizabeth Smith |
| Smith, Jo Anna M. | 8/11/1995 | | Bobby W. Smith, M.D or Elizabeth Smith |
| Smith, Leila H. | 4/17/1924 | Pangburn, AR | Paul Herndon or Herndon Smith |
| Smith, Lela | | Judsonia, AR | |
| Smith, Raymond | 1/10/1944 | | |
| Smith, Will Col. | | | Hattie Belle Pryor |
| Snowden, Odell | 4/17/1989 | | Remona Seymore |
| Sowell, Dennie | 1/14/1947 | Waldenburg, AR | |
| Spears, James H. | 9/9/1942 | | |
| Spratt, J. A. | | | |
| Stanley, S. F. | 10/17/1939 | | |
| Starbuck, Nan Welch | 7/6/1976 | | Sue Mensser, Beebe, AR |
| Stegall, Nina | 10/26/1994 | | Kim Stegall or Mike Stegall |
| Sterling, James R. | 5/26/1952 | Rt 1, Judsonia, AR | |
| Stracener, Orell | 9/11/1981 | | Ronnie Stracener or A. O. Stracener |
| Stricklin, Richard Hiram & Kimberly Sue | 8/9/1995 | | Sheila Kay Vaught |
| Tackett, Annie Dalton | 3/19/1968 | | |
| Tanneberger, A. G. | 7/17/1946 | | |
| Taylor, Larue | 10/19/2001 | | |
| Taylor, Larue & Vera | 4/5/1982 | | Lee Taylor or James Jevne |
| Taylor, Leta | 1/6/1964 | 505 N Apple, Searcy, AR | Glen D. Taylor or Milburn Taylor |
| Taylor, Leta | 1/6/1964 | 505 N Apple, Searcy, AR | Glen D. Taylor or Leta Taylor |
| Teddleton, Marshall Barry | 10/28/1966 | | Josephine Teddleton |
| Terry, G. W. | 2/29/1956 | Mt. Vernon | |
| Thompson, Consie | 1/9/1961 | | Comer Boyett, Jr. |
| Throckmorton, Marvin | 7/22/1966 | | Venita Hays or Gregory Turner |
| Thurman, Claudia | 8/24/1973 | | |
| Towe, Anna May | 4/20/1993 | | Billie Towe |
| Towe, Billie | 4/20/1993 | | Anna May Towe |

| Name | Date Filed | Address | To Be Picked Up By: |
|-----------------------------|-------------------|------------------------|--|
| Turpin, Benjamin F. | 2/23/1963 | Box 74, McRae, AR | Mrs. Earl John Turpin |
| Turpin, Earl J. | | | |
| Tye, Steve L. | 12/6/1977 | | Steve Tye, Jr. or Patricia Bolding |
| Vandament, Charles | 4/10/1944 | Beebe, AR | |
| VanPelt, Maysel | 9/24/1980 | | Mildred Womack or J. D. VanPelt or et al. |
| Vaughn, Ollie Junkins | 5/25/1959 | | Comer Boyett, Jr. |
| Wadley, Myrtle | 5/14/1975 | | Carris J. Wadley |
| Waggoner, Phoebe May | | | |
| Wallace, Chester | 1/19/1971 | | |
| Wallace, Edith | 1/19/1971 | | |
| Wallis, John C. | 9/17/1952 | Rosebud | |
| Waters, C. Welton | 8/13/1975 | | |
| Waters, Orbra G. | 8/13/1975 | | |
| Watson, Albert H., Jr. | 5/19/1989 | | Mary Elizabeth Watson or David Huffnagle |
| Watson, C. H. | 11/2/1946 | Rt 2, Beebe, AR | |
| Watson, Mary Elizabeth | 5/19/1989 | | Albert Watson, Jr. or David Huffnagle |
| Weaver, Marion W. | 5/24/1965 | Searcy | Bura Weaver |
| West, R. W. | 11/12/1931 | | |
| Westbrooks, Mattie | 4/22/1952 | | H. G. Hefner |
| Whitehead, J. | 5/1/1962 | Judsonia | Lula Whitehead |
| Whitley, W. D. | 5/20/1942 | Bradford | |
| Widener, Mary G. Herrell | 12/27/1991 | | Shirley Scarbrough or Bernice York |
| Wilkerson, Mrs. | 5/5/1944 | Beebe | |
| Wilkison, Lena | 12/30/1977 | | |
| Williams, Elizabeth | 10/16/1996 | | |
| Williams, Nanna Sue | 7/28/1970 | | |
| Winningham, John C. | 6/11/1999 | Bald Knob (Denmark) | John W. H./Brenna Camellia/ Jocelyn Sylvia Winningham |
| Woodruff, John | 1/8/1979 | | |
| Woodruff, Louwanna | 1/8/1979 | | |
| Woods, O. M. | 1/25/1916 | | |
| Woodson, Vida L. | 6/12/1939 | | |
| Woodward, George | 1/14/1969 | | |
| Woodward, George | 8/9/1965 | | |
| Zavala, Joyce | 11/21/1990 | | Nancy Collins or Jerry Hargrove |

Bethlehem Church

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Bethlehem Methodist Episcopal Church was located in Washington County, Arkansas, in Bethlehem Community on the banks of Fly Creek, where the Bethlehem Cemetery is still located. The church sat on what was then the main road from Vineyard to Cane Hill. The original church was a structure of logs built in 1827, but in 1876 a frame church was built on the same site. Bethlehem Church may have been the first church organized in Washington County. According to the records of this church, it was in existence in April of 1827, approximately one year before the Canehill Presbyterian Church was established. In 1827 James Bankston was the pastor of Bethlehem Church. The church records indicate that members came from the communities of Bethlehem, Vineyard, Dutch Mills, Cane Hill, and Sugar Hill.

Old Bethlehem Church was active in missions to the Indians. Two of the preachers who were especially active in the mission field were John Harrell and David B. Cumming. They built Mountain Springs Methodist Campground where Salem Springs is now. The first Methodist Conference in Washington County was held there September 12, 1833, with presiding Bishop Joshua Soule. In the 1840s a community sprang up around the campgrounds, and it was called Sexton after pioneer preacher Jacob Sexton.

The Bethlehem Church had as members many pioneer families who started a cemetery there on the north side of the church. It is unknown who was first buried there, but the first recorded burial was that of Jane Carnahan who died New Years Day, 1832. The next burials were of the Pyeatt children in 1833 and 1834. The Hayles family, killed by Indians on what is known

as Hale Mountain in 1835, was buried in Bethlehem cemetery. Benjamin Hayles' tombstone can still be read today, but Jacob's and Leah's stones have disappeared.

One of Bethlehem's most notable members was lay preacher Thomas Tennant, who joined the church in 1829. He had the distinction of being one of the oldest men ever to live in Washington County. Also, according to Methodist Church records, he was the oldest Methodist Preacher to ever live, reaching the age of one hundred and fourteen years. He was also on the board of directors that built Bethesda Academy, which later became Bethesda School. When Thomas Tennant died October 9, 1885, his funeral was held in the Bethlehem Church, and he was buried in the Bethlehem Cemetery. His services were conducted by Reverend George Morrow, who founded the town of Morrow, Arkansas.

The church survived several tragedies including the Civil War. Around the turn of the century, as the county became more populated, the little community of Bethlehem ceased to be. Between 1910 and 1912 the men of the church got together and, using mules and skids under the church, cut a pathway and dragged the church to the town of Morrow. After the church was moved from Bethlehem, it was renamed the Morrow United Methodist church. There the building continued to be a church until 1951, when the Methodists bought the Presbyterian Church of Morrow, and moved into it as the Methodist Church of Morrow. That building is still in use today. In 1953, Arville Loftin bought the old Bethlehem building, tore it down, and used the lumber to build his house west of Clyde on Hwy. 45. The last record of someone joining the church was Annie Tennant in 1889. Ren

David married there in 1905 to Alice Pyeatt of Cane Hill in a three-couple wedding that included John Maples who married a David girl and Henry David who married Jenny Maloy. The last registered pastor was Charles Edwards who became pastor November 18, 1908. The Methodists were still holding Camp Meetings at Salem Springs into the 1940s. The town of Sexton died out because the railroad went through Oklahoma and the post office closed in 1903. Mr. Fields was the last Postmaster.

The list of Ministers for the Bethlehem Methodist Church are as follows: James Bankston 1827; John Henry 1828; Pleasant Tackett 1829-30; John Harrell 1831; A. M. Scott, Assistant Pastor 1831; Alvin Baird 1832; William G. Duke 1833; H. G. Joplin 1834; John Harrell 1835; William H. Bump 1836; Hiram Gering 1837; Jerome B. Annis 1838; Andrew Hunter 1839; Jacob Custer 1840; W. A. Cobb, A. P., 1840; William T. Anderson 1841; Steven P. Carlile 1842; H. C. Boyers 1843-44; Alexander Avery 1845; Thomas Stanford 1846-47; Lewis S.

Marshall 1848; R. M. Morgan 1849-50; M. C. Manly 1850; Louis P. Lively 1851; Young Ewing 1852-53; Jordan Banks 1854; John Mathis 1855; Walter T. Thornberry 1856; David Carithers 1857-58; Lewis G. Woods 1859; Jacob W. Shook 1860; William M. Mathes 1861-65; Thomas J. Smith 1866-67; Henry T. Gregory 1868; James Grant 1869; Robert C. Atchley 1870-71; David Sturdy 1872; A. K. Miller 1873; Jerome Harrelson 1874; Richard M. Tydings 1875; Theodore F. Brewer 1876-77; F. S. H. Johnston 1878; William J. Stone 1879-80; Steven F. Dykes 1881-82; Preston B. Hopkins 1883-85; James A. Walden 1886-89; John R. Maxwell 1890-91; J. H. Sturdy 1892-93; John M. Clayton 1894; James J. Holland 1895; W. H. Hatfield 1896; Y. A. Gilmore 1897; J. P. Humpries 1898-99; J. W. Head 1900; Z. W. Lindsey 1901; H. D. Hutcheson 1902; J. S. Hackler 1904-06; J. B. Griffin 1907; Charles Edwards 1908; W. E. Reid 1910.

Abstracts of records from Bethlehem Church in Washington County, Arkansas

MARRIAGES – *some parents are named in the original records*

Tabitha Bates to Dr. Winn, no date.

James Shelly to Caroline Johnson, by Samuel Allen, 1843.

_____ Taylor to Bettie H. Linebarger, by Samuel Allen, no date.

Thomas H. Tennant to Mrs. Clarissa J. Slover, by Samuel Allen, 1844.

Jane Carlile to William Tucker, 1844.

Samuel Blake to Martha J. Pyeatt, by Jacob Sexton, 1845.

George Seelee to Sinai Harriet Tennant, 1845.

John Cox to Margaret Witherspoon, Cane Hill and Bethlehem, no date. These two people were the author's great-aunts's parents.

William McClure, of Missouri, to Paulina Tennant, 1846.

William S. Pyeatt to Mary M. Johnson, both of Bethlehem, by Gilbert Pylant, 1847.

Elbert Slover, Madison Co., to Elizabeth Lafferty, Carroll Co., by Reverend Mathis, 1849.

James Keet to Mary C. Tennant, both of Missouri, 1850.

Reverend William Maples to Elizabeth R. Slover, both of Carroll Co., 1853.

James H. Pyeatt, of Elm Spring, to Martha J. Maxwell, of Cane Hill, 1857.

Samuel D. Murray to Mary S. Pyeatt, both of Elm Spring, by W. D. Steele, 1859.

Henry Chafin, of Fannin Co., Texas, to Catherine A. Pyeatt, 1861.

Samuel C. Pyeatt to Fannie Tucker, 1861.
B. F. Staggs to Elizabeth Maples, both of Washington Co., by Samuel Blake, 1867.
John G. Blake to Ann E. Evins, by James Bryer, 1869.
Jack Edmiston to Fannie Pyeatt, 1870.
Benjamin Black, of Crawford Co., to Orra O. Pyeatt, by George Morrow, 1875.
George F. Pyeatt to Lorena Edmiston, both of Bethlehem, 1878.
Peter C. Pyeatt, of Cane Hill, to Henrietta J. Tennant, of Bethlehem, by Dykes, 1882.
Richard Smith to Cornelia Whinery, of Sugarhill, no date.
Robert Kimbrough, of Dutch Mills, to Josephine Evans, of Bethlehem, 1883.
Reverend P. B. Hopkins, age 36, of Boonesborough, to Heber Blake, age 31, of Bethlehem, 1886.
_____ M. McFarlan to Esther Briley, not dated.
Ren David to Alice Pyeatt, both of Cane Hill, February, 1905
John Maples to _____ David, February 1905.
Henry David to Jenny Maloy, February 1905.

DEATHS

Christene Tennant, October 1840, services by Reverend Teston; Lucinda Hughs, October 1843; Mark Williams and Sally Pogue 1844; Icyphena Pyeatt, age 48, and Sarah Chester, July 1852; Andrew Agnew, no date; Elizabeth Carlile 1852; John Ish 1857; Winey J. Graham 1862; Mary S. Murray, Feb 1869, in Fannin Co., TX; Winna Williams, 14 April 1871, by Rev. David B. Cumming; Ebenezer Miller 1873; Nancy Burgess, April 1878; Samuel Blake, age 60, 31 May 1878; Mary Alberty, July 1879, by Rev. Young Ewing; Mary M. Pyeatt, 20 March 1880; Elbert Williams, no date; Thomas H. Tennant, 9 October 1885, by Rev. George Morrow; Ira Williams, 22 March 1890; C. J. Tennant, 29 December 1891, by Rev. J. R. Maxwell; W. S. Pyeatt, 25 February 1892, by Rev. J. R. Maxwell; Fannie Watson, November 1902, by Reverend Poke Crozier.

MEMBERSHIP LIST

The list of members is by first letter of surname and then by year of joining.

1837 Mary Alberty; 1843 Milton Allen, Phoeba Allen; 1844 Andrew Agnew, Sarah Alberty; 1845 Andrew Agnew Jr.; 1848 Elizabeth Anderson, Moriah Anderson, George B. Anderson; 1883 J. B. McAlister, M. F. McAlister.
1837 Russel Bates, Mary Bates; 1840 David Biggs, Martha Biggs, Tabitha Bates Winn; 1843 Thomas Burgess, Mary Burgess; 1844 Nancy Bedford, Lewis Brittan, Nancy Burgess; 1845 Mary Bean, George Brown; 1846 _____ Bishop; 1848 James Burgess, Louis Bolton; 1850 Samuel Blake, Amanda Bartlett, David Burrow; 1867 John G. Blake, Kizzie M. Blake, Heber Blake Hopkins; 1869 Ann E. Blake; 1870 Emory E. Blake; 1882 Robert Burgess, Sarah Burgess; 1884 Ester Briley McFarland; 1885 Jo Billingsly, A. C. Billingsly.
1837 William Carlisle, Elizabeth Carlisle, Stewart Carlisle, Jane Carlisle Tucker, Benjamin Carnahan, Hopestill Carnahan, Thomas Carlisle, Mary Carlisle, Jacob Chandler, Ruhama Chandler, Emily Chandler; 1839 Catherine Carver; 1840 Obediah Chester, Sarah Chester, John Carlisle, Martha Carlisle; 1841 Kezia Couch; 1844 James Carter, Mary Carter; 1845 William N. Carlisle; 1848 Thomas Carlisle, Charles Carlisle, William Carlisle, H. A. F. Carlisle; 1871 Mary L. Crozier.

1840 Sarah Douthit; 1842 Thomas Douthit; 1843 Jane Dillingham, Catherine Dillingham; 1848 Anjaline Dillingham.

1845 Nancy Edwards; 1871 Josephine Evins Kimbrough; 1873 Ephraim M. Evins, Eulalia Evins Jackson; 1879 James L. Evins, Lorina Edmiston Pyeatt.

1848 John Fallen.

1840 George Gibson; 1843 Sarah Gibson; 1845 Thomas Green, Hester Green; 1858 Winey J. Graham; 1876 William Glenn.

1837 Alan Hughes, Lucinda Hughes, Thomas Hardister, J. W. Hunton (lay preacher), Susan Hunton; 1843 Mary L. Hughes, Sarah A. Hughes; 1844 John Hendrix; 1850 J. Hucle, Elizabeth Hucle; 1873 Paralee Hines; 1884 Amanda E. Houston.

1837 John Ish; 1845 Eliza Inks.

1837 Benjamin F. Johnson, Martha M. Johnson; 1840 Orra Johnson, Caroline Johnson Shelly; 1843 Nancy Johnson, Elizabeth J. Johnson; 1845 Thomas Jackson, Leetha Kerley Jackson, George R. Johnson; 1847 John R. Johnson; 1874 Felix J. Jobe, Nancy V. Jobe; 1882 Henry Jobe.

1837 Nancy Kellum; 1840 Mary Kellum, 1844 Franklin Kerley; 1848 Sarah Kelly; Josephine Kimbrough.

1833 Elizabeth R. Lafferty Staggs; 1837 Anna Linebarger, Susan Linebarger, Betty H. Linebarger Taylor, Franklin Linebarger; 1838 Michael Linebarger; 1840 John Linebarger; 1843 F. R. Linebarger; 1843 Harriet Linebarger; 1850 L. Lafferty.

1837 Ebenezer Miller; 1841 Disa Manes; 1843 Thomas Maxwell; 1874 George T. Morrow, Cynthia Morrow; 1883 Austin L. Maples, Nancy E. Maples.

1840 John Nunley.

1843 Elizabeth Oxendine, Charles Oxendine.

1837 Henry P. Pyeatt, Icyphena Pyeatt, Martha Pyeatt Blake; 1833 W. S. Pyeatt; 1838 Kathrene A. Pyeatt Chafin; 1841 Theodocia Jane Peters; 1844 Sallie Pogue, John H. Pope; 1845 James H. Pyeatt, Thomas Pogue; 1848 Mary S. Pyeatt Murray, Samuel C. Pyeatt; 1850 Mary M. Pyeatt; 1867 Kate P. Pyeatt; 1868 Fannie Pyeatt Edmiston; 1869 George F. Pyeatt; 1874 Henry W. Pyeatt; 1882 Peter C. Pyeatt; 1884 William M. Pyeatt, Martha F. Parker, Elizabeth Parker.

1837 Elizabeth Reader, Elisha Robinson, Spicy Robinson; 1839 Elizabeth Ross.

1837 Obadiah Seay, Joseph Stout; 1840 Emily Seay; 1842 Thomas L. Shomach, 1843 James Shelly, Clarissa Slover; 1844 Harrison Stout, James W. Shipman, exhorter; 1848 A. E. Smith; 1869 Benjamin F. Staggs, J. Z. Staggs.

1837 - Thomas H. Tennant, lay preacher, Christeen Tennant, Harriet Tennant Seelee, James Tennant; 1840 Polina Tennant, Mary C. Tennant, John A. Tennant; 1841 William Tucker, Thomas Tennant; 1843 Clarrissa Tennant; 1878 Henrietta J. Tennant Pyeatt; 1889 Thomas S. Tennant, Talitha Tennant, Emma D. Tennant, Annie Tennant.

1837 - Ira Williams, Winey Williams; 1840 Elizabeth Wilson, Albert Williams; 1841 Lucinda Wheeler; 1843 Elizabeth Williams; 1844 Mary Williams, Mark Williams; 1843 Margaret Weber, Sarah A. Weber, Margaret Witherspoon Cox; 1844 William Wilson, Eliza Jane Wheeler; 1844 Mary A. Weber; 1845 George R. Weber, George E. Weber; 1848 Benjamin C. Witherspoon; 1850 Sarah Whinery; 1868 Jesse Whittenburg; 1871 Cornelia Whinery Smith; 1877 Mary White.

Editor's note: You may view these records at Hendrix College Library, Conway, Arkansas. Or see Arkansas History Commission microfilm: Religion: Methodist Conferences, roll 9, item 5, Cane Hill/Bethlehem Methodist Church.

COSSATOT CEMETERY

Survey by Whitney McLaughlin

The Cossatot Cemetery is located in northern Sevier County, near the Howard County line (Range 30W, Township 7S, Section 18).

Turn east off Highway 71 onto Fire Tower Road at Gillham. After approximately 3 miles, veer right onto Almond Road and drive until reaching the Almond church. Turn left and travel approximately 1 1/2 miles. After crossing the Cossatot River, turn onto first road to the left.

The cemetery is neatly kept and still being used. There are obviously many unmarked graves. A new marker stands near the entrance gate and is inscribed "In memory of the many unknown people buried here." It was donated by Gerald and Sandy Roberts.

The earliest death date found was June 6, 1862, for Augustus Wallis. The earliest birth date found was January 12, 1803, for James Lowe.

The following is a survey of all readable stones found in the Cossatot Cemetery during the years 2000 to 2004. Most stones were readable. For letters or numbers that were unreadable, questions marks (???) are used.

The transcription includes the name, birth date and death date. The miscellaneous column includes other information found on the stone. Data found in brackets { } was not transcribed from the stones but added for informational purposes. Double stones are marked DS and triple stones are marked TS.

| Name | Birth Date | Death Date | Miscellaneous |
|-----------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Darrell A. "Big D" Chambers | Jan 1, 1949 | Mar 2, 2003 | |
| Allyn Dwight Paul | Dec 24, 1940 | Dec 11, 2000 | |
| "Walt" Walter Weston Warren | Feb 11, 1909 | Sep 21, 1974 | Son {DS w/ Fannie} |
| "Fannie" Frances M. Roberts | Feb 18, 1883 | Dec 31, 1975 | Mother {DS w/ Walt} |
| Louis C. Roberts | Aug 19, 1889 | Nov 9, 1961 | Texas Pvt Co L 360 Inf 90 Div WWI |
| Tommy Ward | 1924 | 1997 | {funeral home marker} |
| Mary Bayless | Oct 27, 1906 | Mar 21, 1921 | |
| George W. Ayers | 1871 | 1933 | Father {TS w/ Willie and Georgie} |
| Willie Ayers | 1910 | 1919 | Son {TS w/ George and Georgie} |

| Name | Birth Date | Death Date | Miscellaneous |
|------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Georgie Ayers | 1908 | 1919 | Son {TS w/ George and Willie} |
| R. J. Stringfellow | Mar 1, 1847 | Mar 12, 1919 | |
| Louis Bailey | Oct 14, 1934 | Jun 5, 1987 | |
| Arteley Blakely | Feb 7, 1880 | Mar 4, 1961 | Mama {DS w/ W. J.} |
| W. J. Blakely | Dec 25, 1864 | Jan 7, 1920 | Papa {DS w/ Arteley} |
| Everett "Slip" Rossall | 1912 | 1992 | |
| Martha Kennedy | Jun 24, 1883 | May 23, 1920 | wife of Dr. M. Kennedy |
| Delma M. Willmon | Apr 12, 1929 | | {DS w/ Hershel} |
| Hershel W. Willmon | Jan 5, 1917 | Oct 30, 1987 | {DS w/ Delma} |
| Kenneth Paul Ward | Mar 20, 1958 | Oct 9, 1985 | |
| Tyrel Paul Ward | Jun 2, 1981 | May 11, 1982 | |
| Elsie Davidson | Apr 6, 1904 | Feb 1, 1920 | daughter of Mr. & Mrs. S. W. Davidson |
| BABB | | | |
| Jessie Wilson | Feb 13, 1892 | Oct 17, 1915 | son of A. J. & M. M. Wilson |
| Homer Priddy | Jan 22, 1915 | Jun 18, 2003 | Matthew 6:9-13 |
| Daniel J. Brown | | | Co B 44 Ala Inf CSA |
| William W. Brown | Jan 25, 1911 | Feb 22, 1991 | Cpl US Army WWII |
| Michael Scott Gambill | Mar 10, 1958 | May 26, 2003 | |
| John W. Moore | Jan 10, 1904 | Nov 24, 1982 | |
| Majoria Joyce Moore | May 19, 1927 | Sep 6, 1927 | |
| Eugenia Levern Moore | Jun 15, 1923 | Jun 18, 1923 | |
| James Louis Roberts | Jun 13, 1910 | Sep 21, 1933 | |
| Florine Willmon | Sep 16, 1912 | May 20, 1921 | |
| Althea Chloe Gilbert | Sep 3, 1915 | Feb 10, 1917 | daughter of Paten & Rebecca Gilbert |
| Minnie Simpson | 1898 | ??? | daughter of Wade & Lou Simpson |
| Jerry Simpson | Nov 24, 1900 | Aug 13, 1902 | son of J. J. & Mary Simpson |
| Mary J. Simpson | Nov 6, 1871 | Jan 13, 1906 | wife of J. J. Simpson |
| Garnett Simpson | Oct 14, 1905 | Jul 23, 1906 | son of J. J. & Mary Simpson |
| George W. Tucker | Apr 12, 1831 | Aug 28, 1893 | Pvt Co Reeves Ark Cav CSA |

| Name | Birth Date | Death Date | Miscellaneous |
|------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|--|
| George W. Tucker | Mar 12, 1831 | Aug 28, 1898 | { 1 of 2 stones with different dates } |
| W. R. Raunsaville | Jan 9, 1844 | Sep 27, 1901 | husband of M. F. Raunsaville |
| G. R. | | | { footstone } |
| Ruby Evelyn Almond | Jun 20, 1917 | Jun 20, 1918 | daughter of A. H. & Ollia Almond |
| William J. Callahan | 1800 | 1900 | { TS w/ Mary and Minnie } |
| Mary Brantley Callahan | | 1899 | { TS w/ William and Minnie } |
| Minnie Callahan | 1881 | 1899 | { TS w/ Mary and William } |
| Minnie J. Simpson | 1897 | 1899 | { DS w/ Dellar } |
| Dellar B. Simpson | 1896 | 1902 | { DS w/ Minnie } |
| Eliza Stinnett | 1879 | 1906 | { DS w/ 2 Babys } |
| "2 Babys" Stinnett | | | { DS w/ Eliza } |
| Carter B. Coffey | Mar 31, 1887 | Jun 7, 1957 | { DS w/ Goldia } |
| Goldia M. Coffey | Apr 21, 1896 | Jul 3, 1987 | { DS w/ Carter } |
| A. Lavoy Kitchens | Jul 12, 1936 | May 13, 1945 | son of Ted & Ina Kitchens |
| N. T. Bell | Jan 21, 1904 | Jan 22, 1904 | |
| Lonsom A. Bell | Sep 3, 1880 | Apr 11, 1907 | |
| Sarah Jane Clinton | 1846 | 1899 | { DS w/ William } |
| William Curtis Clinton | 1831 | 1901 | { DS w/ Sarah } |
| Robert M. Clinton | | Dec 16, 1880 | In Memory Of |
| Archey Nobles Skinner | Oct 5, 1889 | Jan 24, 1891 | son of J. A. & F. E. Skinner |
| George Baxley | 1853 | 1923 | |
| Ethel Willmon | 1907 | 1920 | |
| Robert ??? | | 1989 | |
| Brian A. James | Jun 30, 1969 | Feb 7, 1993 | Cpl US Marine Corps Persian Gulf |
| Mary King Bell | 1874 | 1940 | |
| John T. King | Oct 17, 1867 | Sep 28, 1907 | |
| James W. King | 1846 | 1888 | { DS w/ Elizabeth } |
| Elizabeth L. King | 1845 | 1932 | { DS w/ James } |
| S. J. Laster | Feb 15, 1870 | Apr 4, 1897 | |
| Matilda Laster | | Dec 3, 1917 | aged abt 88 years |
| Beulah May Sims | Mar 23, 1896 | Nov 19, 1937 | |

| Name | Birth Date | Death Date | Miscellaneous |
|--------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------|--|
| Ethel Milam Anderson | Feb 5, 1904 | Aug 17, 1930 | |
| Edith Milam Anderson | Jul 11, 1930 | Sep 22, 1930 | |
| Ellen Anderson | Apr 27, 1866 | Oct 17, 1940 | |
| Harvey Boyd Anderson | Jul 13, 1870 | Aug 18, 1963 | |
| Hazel Ladd Fieszal | Nov 11, 1906 | Jan 1, 1984 | |
| Cecil T. Ladd | May 3, 1876 | Jan 1, 1937 | {DS w/ Husie} |
| Husie A. Ladd | May 6, 1875 | May 19, 1956 | {DS w/ Cecil} |
| Mary E. Ladd | | Jan 1925 | |
| M. L. | | | |
| S. J. L. | | | |
| Walter Randall | Sep 23, 1869 | Mar 6, 1889 | |
| Stella Ann Staggs | Apr 3, 1894 | Jan 1918 | |
| George A. Jones | Aug 21, 1890 (or 1820) | Feb 1912 (or 1902) | |
| Milton S. Almond | Mar 18, 1870 | Dec 7, 1944 | {DS w/ Jane} |
| Jane R. Almond | Feb 8, 1868 | Jan 10, 1959 | {DS w/ Milton} |
| Nolan "Buck" Anderson | Sep 2, 1925 | Apr 7, 1974 | |
| Lloyd George Simpson | Jul 26, 1910 | Jun 7, 1986 | {DS w/ Mildred} |
| Mildred Martin Simpson | Apr 28, 1914 | Aug 13, 1989 | {DS w/ Lloyd} |
| Noah Wright Simpson | Jan 3, 1878 | Feb 23, 1976 | {DS w/ Julia}; married Dec 22, 1901 |
| Julia George Simpson | Dec 28, 1883 | Feb 7, 1968 | {DS w/ Noah} |
| Arthur Mainor McDaniel | Dec 11, 1891 | Jan 8, 1971 | {DS w/ Nancye}; married Nov 1, 1911 |
| Nancye Johnston McDaniel | Jan 26, 1889 | Apr 6, 1981 | {DS w/ Arthur} |
| Orville McDaniel | | 1925 | |
| Louisa C. Stinnett | Jun 2, 1879 | Sep 28, 1885 | daughter of I. S. & S. J. Stinnett |
| Joshua & Kaleb Stinnett | Feb 11, 1885 | Mar 20, 1885 | sons of I. S. & S. J. Stinnett |
| Elizabeth Stinnett | Apr 14, 1834 | Jul 4, 1875 | |
| Emily G. Stinnett | Jan 10, 1851 | Apr 10, 1878 | |
| Charlotte Wallis | Nov 18, 1805 | Jun 11, 1877 | |
| Augustus Wallis | Apr 9, 1840 | Jun 6, 1862 | |
| Gorge B. Flanagan | Nov 28, 1879 | Dec 28, 1879 | |
| Wily J. Flanagan | Jul 13, 1881 | Mar 31, 1882 | son of J. L. & S. A. Flanagan |

| Name | Birth Date | Death Date | Miscellaneous |
|----------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|--|
| Grover C. Flanagin | Oct 5, 1892 | Sep 10, 1895 | child of S. A. & J. L. Flanagin |
| Baby Flanagin | Sep 30, 1902 | Oct 28, 1902 | child of S. A. & J. L. Flanagin |
| Lauria V. ??? | Jan 20, 1871 | Nov 1, 1889 | wife of ??? |
| Henryan R. Ladd | Jan 24, 1845 | Nov 1, 1896 | wife of D. C. Ladd |
| David C. Ladd | 1837 | 1927 | Pvt Co K 19 Ark Inf CSA {1 of 2 stones} |
| David C. Ladd | 1837 | 1927 | Uncle Dave |
| John E. Ladd | Aug 13, 1871 | Feb 26, 1872 | |
| Rena Martin | 1895 | 1896 | |
| James Kelley | Dec 21, 1853? | Jul 24, 1897 | |
| James Kelley Jr. | Feb 9, 1897 | Jul 19, 1901 | |
| Nancy Kelley | Jun 24, 1895 | Sep 11, 1898 | |
| Thomas C. Simpson | Dec 28, 1832 | Jan 26, 1897 | |
| Lethie M. Johnston | Jun 4, 1894 | Sep 26, 1895 | daughter of L. C. & I. C. Johnston |
| Shelby Simpson | 1883 | 1887 | |
| Lettie Smallwood | Mar 28, 1897 | Jun 5, 1897 | |
| Ed B. McDaniel | | 1914 | |
| ??? Brown | Jun 27, 1917 | Jun 27, 1917 | son and daughter of D. N. & Ella Brown |
| Ella Jane Brown | Jun 17, 1883 | Aug 26, 1965 | |
| Addie E. Simpson Robertson | Sep 3, 1906 | Sep 30, 1993 | {DS w/ Lige} married Jun 29, 1935 |
| Lige V. Robertson | Oct 31, 1904 | Oct 1, 1995 | {DS w/ Addie} |
| Lester L. Johnston | May 26, 1904 | Jan 29, 1943 | |
| L. C. Johnston | Apr 25, 1857 | Jan 23, 1935 | |
| Lola Adams | Oct 25, 1896 | Feb 16, 1918 | wife of M. V. Adams; daughter of L. C. & I. C. Johnston |
| Emma Bera Johnston | May 16, 1902 | Jul 28, 1903 | |
| Irene Johnston | Dec 21, 1861 | Sep 2, 1912 | wife of L. C. Johnston |
| Ira Simpson | | | son of W. B. & Betty Simpson |
| Infant son Simpson | | | son of W. B. & Betty Simpson |
| Betty Simpson | 1879? | 1912 | wife of W. B. Simpson |

| Name | Birth Date | Death Date | Miscellaneous |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Ruth M. Simpson | Aug 22, 1911 | Apr 13, 1928 | |
| William Burr Simpson | Oct 21, 1871 | May 13, 1933 | |
| Martha Covey | Dec 30, 18?? | Oct 16, 1893 | wife of C. H. Covey |
| Sallie C. Covey | Dec 25, 1854 | Sep 12, 1918 | wife of C. H. Covey |
| Grover C. Jordan | Oct 5, 1891 | Sep 5, 1893 | son of M. C. & M. J. Jordan |
| Charley M. Jordan | Sep 5, 1876 | Feb 13, 1882 | son of M. C. & S. E. Jordan |
| Sarah E. Jordan | | Apr 15, 1877 | wife of M. C. Jordan |
| Mary F. Jordan | Jan 30, 1871 | Feb 4, 1871 | daughter of M. C. Jordan |
| Nansey M. Jordan | Dec 17, 1832 | Jun 11, 1869 | wife of M. C. Jordan |
| John Warford | 1821 | 1890 | Pvt Co F 1 Ark Cav CSA |
| Harriett Hunnicutt Warford | 1828 | 1863 | {DS w/ John} |
| John Warford | 1821 | 1890 | {DS w/ Harriett} |
| Thomas C. Simpson | Dec 28, 1832 | Feb 26, 1897 | Prices Co 15 MO Inf CSA |
| Mary J. Simpson | Jan 25, 1842 | Apr 6, 1928 | wife of T. C. Simpson |
| Noah Eulah Simpson | Feb 1, 1913 | Mar 11, 1913 | {DS w/ Julia Beulah} |
| Julia Beulah Simpson | Feb 1, 1913 | Mar 11, 1913 | {DS w/ Noah Eulah} |
| Clementine J. Barber | Jul 10, 1927 | May 30, 1975 | |
| Elizabeth Allen | Apr 25, 1892 | May 13, 1982 | {DS w/ Ben} |
| Ben Allen | Oct 10, 1886 | Jul 3, 1981 | {DS w/ Elizabeth} |
| May Graves | Oct 11, 1900 | Jan 20, 1904 | daughter of Ben & Sula Graves |
| James Lowe | Jan 12, 1803 | Oct 18, 1877 | |
| Emma Gladys Willmon | Nov 20, 1916 | Jul 25, 1917 | daughter of Pink & Emma Willmon |
| Clara Cloyce Willmon | Oct 18, 1907 | Dec 1, 1907 | daughter of Thomas & Effie Willmon |
| Emma Lovern Willmon | Mar 5, 1917 | Apr 4, 1917 | daughter of Thomas & Effie Willmon |
| Effie Inez Willmon | Aug 16, 1886 | Jan 20, 1918 | wife of Thomas Willmon |
| Henry Alers | Dec 10, 1861 | Sep 1, 1912 | |
| Herbert L. Broyles | Oct 12, 1893 | Oct 8, 1918 | Co E Camp Pike S.A.R.D. Inf |
| Charlotte Isabel Cash Guire Taylor | Sep 15, 1861 | Mar 25, 1952 | |

| Name | Birth Date | Death Date | Miscellaneous |
|----------------------|-------------------|-------------------|--------------------------------|
| Florence Taylor | 1884 | 1926 | |
| David William Guire | 1885 | 1957 | {DS w/ Annie} |
| Annie Lavena Guire | 1895 | 1969 | {DS w/ David} |
| Floyd T. Guire | Jan 24, 1900 | Apr 9, 1979 | PFC US Army WWII |
| Minnie Dosha Whitley | Jul 9, 1882 | Apr 3, 1928 | |
| J. N. Whitley | May 26, 1872 | Apr 3, 1918 | husband of Mrs. Minnie Whitley |
| Benjamin Taylor | Apr 7, 1909 | Apr 9, 1909 | son of Mr. & Mrs. J. H. Taylor |

The following note was taped to the back of the S. J. Laster stone: "S. J. Laster and Matilda Laster was my great-grandfather and great-grandmother. If you know anything about them please contact Terry Laster, P.O. Box 783, Wright City, OK 74766, 580-981-2724, Kc5woq@pine-net.com"

Arkansas Ancestry Certificates

Antebellum Arkansas Ancestry Certificates for Vada Elease Powell Ritchey and her three daughters Mary Alice Ritchey Burchfield, Margurete Lou Ritchey Ralls and Wanda Sue Ritchey Payne through William Jackson Powell and Rebecca Frances Crutcher

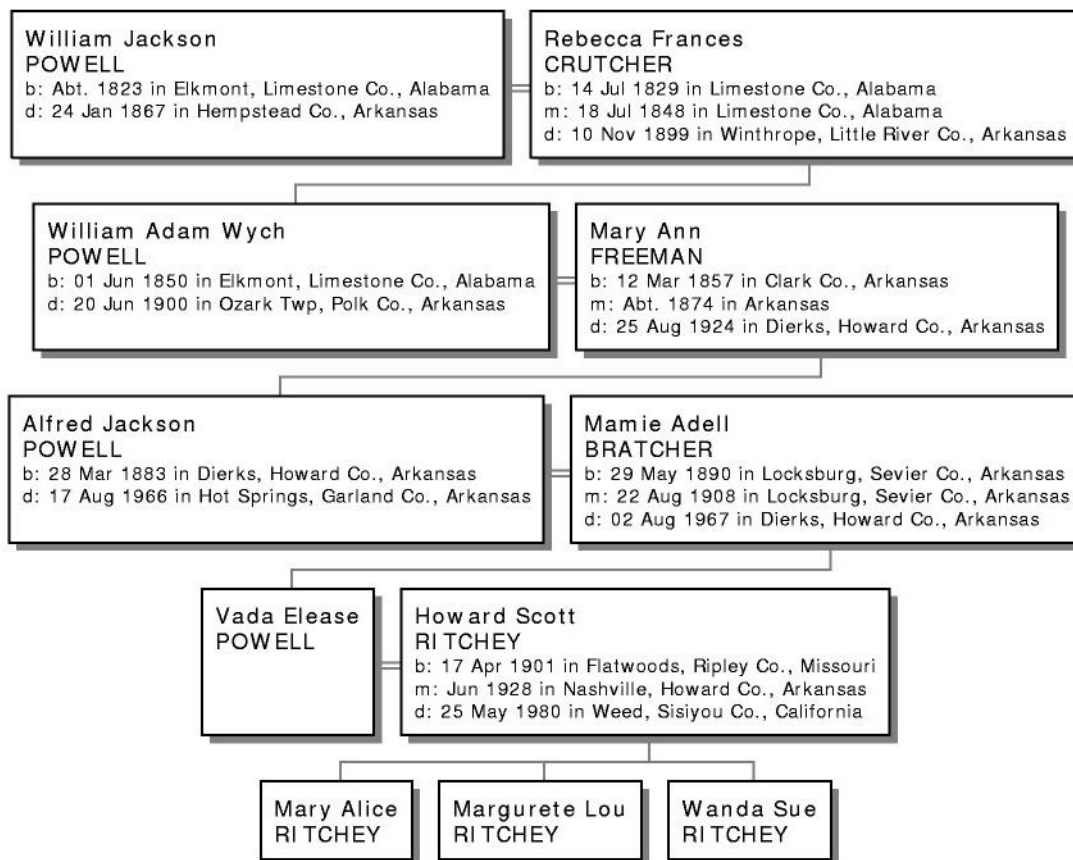
Submitted by Mary Alice Ritchey Burchfield

1984 Angel Valley Road

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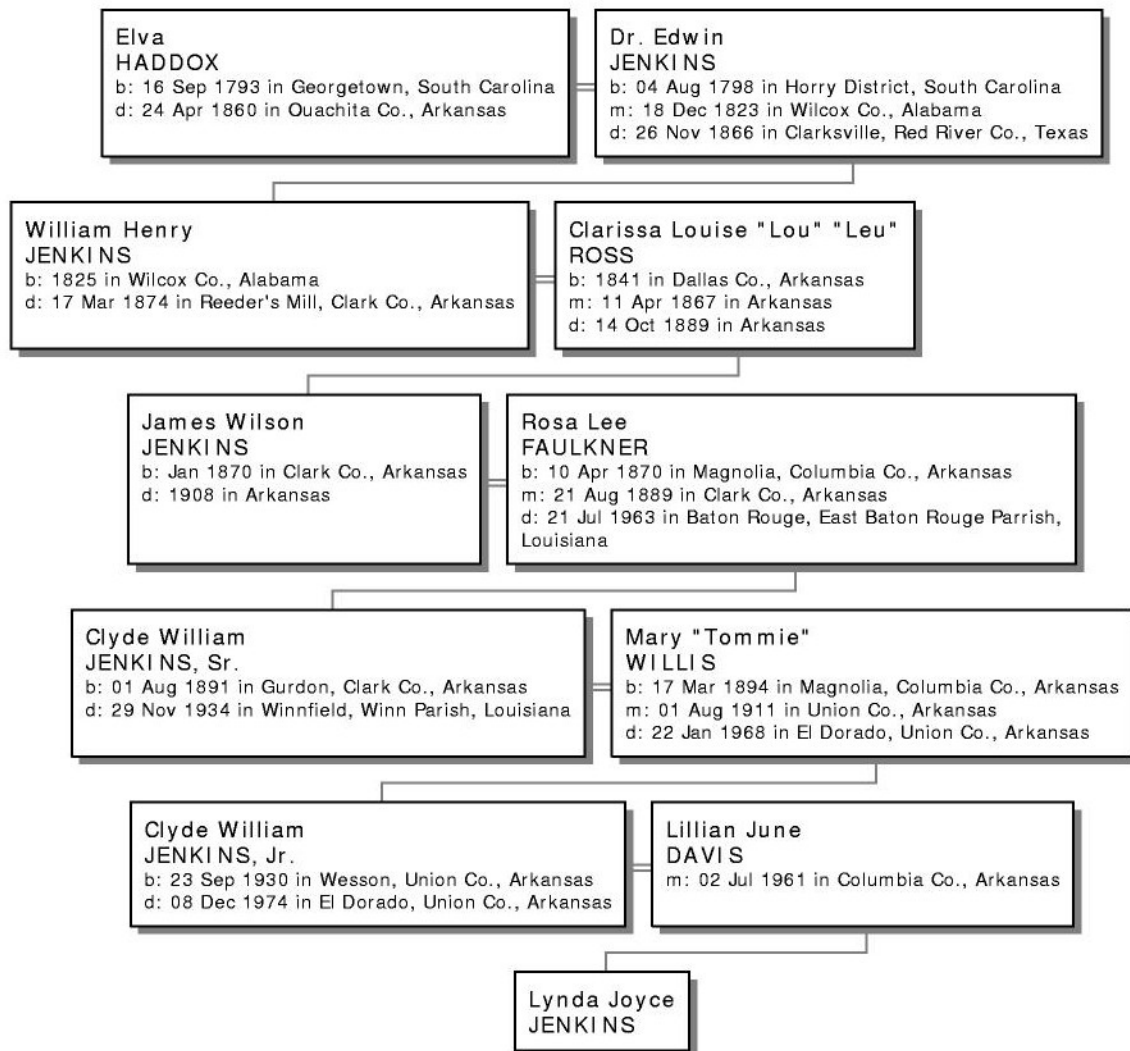
Vada Elease Powell Ritchey, Mary Alice Ritchey Burchfield, Margurete Lou Ritchey Ralls and Wanda Sue Ritchey Payne all received Certificates of Arkansas Ancestry for the antebellum period based on the documentation they submitted for the following lineage. The antebellum ancestors were William Jackson Powell and Rebecca Frances Crutcher who were resident in Hempstead County, Arkansas, in 1860 according to the 1860 census. William Jackson Powell was a private in Company C, First Regiment of the Arkansas Cavalry. He joined the Confederate Army at Washington, Arkansas, March 20, 1863. On September 1st, 1863, he was wounded and captured at the battle of Backbone Mountain.



**Antebellum Arkansas Ancestry Certificate
for Lynda Jenkins-Albright
through Elva Haddox Jenkins**

*Submitted by Lynda Jenkins-Albright
1816 E 1750 North Road
Watseka, IL 60970
815-432-6533 or 815-383-8145*

Lynda Jenkins-Albright received a Certificate of Arkansas Ancestry for the antebellum period based on the documentation she submitted for the following lineage. The antebellum ancestor was Elva Haddox Jenkins who resided in Ouachita County, Arkansas, at the time of her death 24 April 1860. Elva Haddox Jenkins' will is recorded in Clark County, Arkansas.



REMEMBRANCES OF MY CHILDHOOD

BY LAURA CYNTHELIA RICHARDSON THOMPSON

1956

Edited by
Russell P. Baker
1995

INTRODUCTION

One day while visiting the bank at Amity in Clark County, Arkansas, I was given a photocopy of a 16-page handwritten manuscript. As I looked over it, I realized that it was the childhood memories of Laura C. Thompson, the daughter of Jesse C. Richardson and Martha Baker. Martha was the daughter of Stephen Pelzer and Nancy C. Spence Vaughan Baker, and the sister of Mary Jane Baker Palmer, Joseph Alexander Baker, and Patrick Henry Baker, my great grandfather. As I read through this reminiscence, I was struck by the first hand accounts of life among the Bakers and other pioneer families of the area around old Rock Creek, the town founded in 1868 by Laura's grandfather, Stephen, in Pike County. Because of the uniqueness of this manuscript, I am editing and publishing it for the enjoyment and enlightenment of future generations of Bakers, Thompsons, Richardsons, and their kin. Although the copy I had of this account was hard to read and somewhat confusing in places, I have attempted to bring it to you as Laura wrote it. Footnotes and headings have been added for the sake of clarification.

FOREWORD

Laura Cynthelia Richardson Thompson was born September 5, 1865 near Magnolia in Columbia County, Arkansas, at

the home of her grandparents, Stephen and Nancy Baker. She was the second of eight children born to Jesse Campbell Richardson and Martha Ann Baker.¹ Soon after the Civil War, the Bakers, Richardsons, and a number of other families left Columbia County, Arkansas, and moved to the Ouachita Mountains in western Arkansas. They settled in an area south of what is now Glenwood. It was then Coldbath Township in Clark County. Laura's grandfather Baker built a mill and opened a post office in the community and named it Rock Creek. Soon it had a school, several stores, one operated by her grandfather, and two churches, the Valley Grove Missionary Baptist Church at Rock Creek and the Palmer's Chapel Methodist Church about a mile to the south along the Amity road. It was at Rock Creek that Laura and her brothers, Neander Patrick, Thomas Ira, Jesse Clinton, Stephen Earnest, William Penn, and her sisters, Cordelia Ann and Modora grew up. Their father died here in May of 1876 and was buried at Palmer's Chapel Cemetery. The family eventually moved to Amity, where Martha Ann Richardson and her sons

¹Conway, AR, *Log Cabin Democrat*, August 9, 1963, p. 1, col. 5; 1870 U. S. Census, Cold Bath Township, Clark Co., AR, p. 271; Columbia Co., AR, Marriage Book A, p. 258. Her parents married on October 20, 1861. See also Pike Co., AR, Deed Book T, p. 336-338.

operated a store for many years. Laura married Andrew J. Thompson² on November 26, 1884, at Rock Creek. They lived for many years at Amity and later in Oklahoma. The couple moved to Conway, Arkansas, in 1917,³ where Laura died on August 8, 1963, at the age of 98. She and her husband are buried in the Thompson Chapel Cemetery east of Amity, Arkansas.⁴

Laura's memoirs follow.

A LITTLE GIRL AND A SNAKE

I've often thought I'd like to keep a diary or rather write about some of the things that I remember in my childhood days. Most all children are somewhat alike and have childlike ways and thoughts. I will write of some of th[ese] things [as] far back as I can remember. We lived on a farm near Rock Creek, now known as Glenwood Ark. My grandfather [Stephen Pelzer Baker] lived there until his death in 1885.⁵ I spent most of my childhood days there with grandpa [Baker] and grandma [Nancy Carolina Spence Vaughan Baker]. I remember once grandma sent me down to the well, it was some distance from the house, for something and across the path a snake had shed its skin and left it there. I was almost frightened to death. I ran back to the house to tell grandma about the big snake and she went to see and found only its

²Little Rock, AR -, June 13, 1943, Magazine Section p. 4 – 5.

³*Log Cabin Democrat*, November 24, 1954, p. 1, col. 2 - 5 and p. 6, col. 3.

⁴*Ibid.*, August 9, 1963, op. cit.

⁵Pike County Will Book A, p. 121. This record was destroyed but an abstract of it survives in the Pike County Burned Record Book. Stephen P. Baker made his will on July 23, 1885. He died within a few months. He was known as "Old Man Steve."

shed [skin]. They laughed at me and I never forgot it.

A VISIT TO A COLORED MAN

Another time I was almost frightened frantic was [due to] the Colored man, Reuben. A bunch of we (sic) kids went down to his cabin and Etta Palmer, now Mrs. Dr. Watson, [my cousin,] called him a black n***** and he reached down in his pocket and pulled out his knife and said he was going to cut our ears off. I was always desperately afraid of him after that. When my grandmother would see him coming toward the house she would cover my face until he would pass where I wouldn't see him. I would be so frightened. Grandma's kitchen was off from the other part of the house and Uncle Joe [Joseph Alexander Baker] would lots of times carry me on his back out to the kitchen. One day he picked me up by my ears and nearly killed me and grandma scolded him good and proper.

GRANDPA BAKER'S MUSIC

My grandfather [Baker] played the fiddle, they call it a violin now. I loved to sit and watch him. I loved the tones that he made and the way he looked when he played. He [also] had a large French harp that I loved too. I used to get it and go out to the end of the house and blow it and thought I was making music. Well there was always music in my soul, [even] if I couldn't have any opportunity to develop it. I have enjoyed [seeing music talent] come out in my children. It was always my darling dream when I was young that I would do great things when I grew up. Well I did a great work but far different from what I'd dreamed it would be. I've helped to pattern 8 lives [my children] that I think [are] as fine and pure as gold.

MY FATHER, JESSE C. RICHARDSON⁶

Once before my father [Jesse Clinton Richardson] died [perhaps in May of 1876] we all went to a fish fry on the Caddo River and went in a wagon drawn by oxen. The coupling pin broke and down came the wagon bed and all. We had to stay there until my father could make another one. I don't remember very much about what happened at the picnic except that I wore some pretty little blue shoes and all the little girls just thought they were so pretty [that] they all wanted to try them on.

ROCK CREEK

Lots of times on Sat[urday] nites we would go to grandpa [Baker's] and stay until Sunday evening. Aunt Mary [Jane Baker Palmer]⁷ and her children sometimes would go too. Mattie [Martha J. Palmer] and Tump [perhaps Charles P. Palmer], her children, and all of us would have a great time. My grandfather had a store [at Rock Creek] and when we would come he would go down to the store and get a lot of red striped stick candy for us. He'd tell us witch tales and sometimes we'd feel scared but oh how we adored him. I don't remember very much about my father. He died when I was very young.

MY MOTHER, MARTHA ANN BAKER RICHARDSON

I remember once my older brother

⁶Arkadelphia, Arkansas *Southern Standard*, May 27, 1876, p. 2, col. 4; 1880 U. S. Census, Clark Township, Pike County, Arkansas, p. 457B and 458A. Laura's father has no headstone and the exact location of his grave in Palmer's Chapel Cemetery is unknown.

⁷Ibid., p. 452A.

[Neander Patrick Richardson] and I were fussing over the foot pail. I wanted to use it first and he wanted it too so father reached over and hit me on the head with a large book he was reading. It made me mad and I said when I got grown up I'd burn up that old book. My father was a very quiet and modest man and had lots of friends. My mother was a great character. She wasn't very [public in her show of affection] but we knew that she loved us and wanted us to be somebody in spite of how poor we were. She taught us many valuable lessons. She loved for us to have friends and therefore we always had lots of company. She was always jolly and loved to join in our fun. My grandfather [Baker] was a "mason"⁸ [and] a republican. He was for the union of the States [during the Civil War and so] was my father...⁹

I remember once [Stephen] Pelzer Baker [a son of Patrick Henry Baker] got a dollar bill out of his mother's [Mary Susan Smith Baker] pocket book and he was very generous with it. His mother tried to whip him but he ran and she couldn't catch him.

⁸Jeannie H. Henry, *1819 – 1849 Abstracts of Annual Returns Mississippi Free and Accepted Masons* (New Market, AL, 1969), p. 306. Stephen P. Baker became a member of the Solomon Masonic Lodge No. 126 in DeSoto Co., MS in 1851.

⁹J. C. Richardson served as a sergeant in Co., G, 33 Ark. Inf., CSA. Although he was a "Union" man at heart, he served faithfully in the Confederate Army until the end of the War. This may be why his widow never applied for an Arkansas Confederate Pension. His brother-in-law, Patrick Henry Baker, also served in the Confederate Army. He was a life long supporter of the "lost cause" of the Confederacy. This caused a rift within the Baker Family that was not healed for many years.

I GET A DOLL

Grandpa [Baker] used to go to Little Rock to buy goods for his store and it would take him about 2 weeks to make the trip. Once he brought my older sister [Cordelia Ann "Dellia"] and I (sic) a pretty wax doll apiece. I named mine "Jimmy" but soon it got its head broken and then my heart was almost broken. I always loved to play dolls. I'd lots of times steal off my self, climb up in the stable loft, and play for a half day at a time. I'd have families [of dolls] and they would visit each other. I'd talk for them and they had good times visiting with each other.

MY SCHOOL DAYS

I loved my brothers and sisters. We all had a good time together. We went to school at dear old Coker School House [just south of Rosboro, where Coker Cemetery is now located]. My father helped to build it just before he died. I always loved my teacher. She would sometimes go home with me to spend the nite. I somehow always stood in pretty well with my teachers. They seemed to always like me. The older people of the neighborhood always seemed to like me and petted me a lot. I went to see them when I was more grown up and sometimes when they were sick I'd stay all nite with them and fix them something to eat. Lots of times they'd want me to sing for them. Grandma [Baker] said I was always a song bird. She said she missed me so much when I'd go home.

My grandfather once sent me to a singing school taught by Miss Emma Sale, [who] afterwards married my Uncle Joe [Joseph A. Baker], and her brother Bob. She, I thought such a pretty young lady and she boarded at grandpa's and she taught me a lot about music.¹⁰

¹⁰Laura's uncle, a recent widower, Joseph

AT PLAY

When we lived on the Caddo River near Rock Creek we kids had a great time playing. I remember we would go on a rocky hillside and holler and the echo would sound back to us and we thought it so wonderful we nearly hollered ourselves hoarse. We had a big old white sow and she was very gentle and we would spread a blanket over her back and ride her for a horse. One day she threw me off and hurt me pretty bad so we didn't ride her any more. One day Uncle Alex and Aunt Mary [Palmer] and grandma Palmer [Sarah Powers Palmer, mother of Uncle Alexander] came to spend the day [at Rock Creek]. They came in a buggy. Buggies weren't very common [in our community] and my older brother [Neander] and I thought we'd take a ride. I got in the buggy and my brother was going to pull me down the hill but the hill was so steep that he didn't have to pull very long until the buggy was going so fast that it ran over him and landed at the bottom of the hill and threw me into [the] branch [of a tree]. I was unconscious for awhile but not seriously hurt.

OUR HOUSE AT ROCK CREEK

[At that time] we lived in a log house, 2 large rooms with an open hall between them. The kitchen was floored with [puncheons, as] they called them. But before my father died he tore the kitchen away and built a plank house [with] one room and a lean-to for a kitchen. My mother used to card rolls out of cotton and spin thread and weave into cloth to make clothes. She made counterpanes and coverlets for the beds. I learned to spin

Alexander Baker, married Emma Sale sometime in 1879.

some and to weave just plain cloth. I thought I was just about grown when I learned to weave. It was very fascinating work. I remember once I spun some thread for my father to make ropes for his plow lines. I helped him make the ropes.

THE EARTHQUAKE

Once we kids were playing out in [our] yard and we heard a rumbling noise like thunder. We were playing on a pile of boards and they began shaking and rattling and it scared us and our mother came to the door to see what was happening. The house shook and my father said that the clods of dirt rolled back and forth where he was plowing in the field. It was an earthquake. The only one I ever experienced.¹¹

GRANDMA BAKER'S KITCHEN

My grandfather and grandmother [Baker] always after the [Civil] War kept their Negro servants and they all petted me and I loved them. Grandma had a room just off from the kitchen that she called her clothes room. She kept her nicest clothes and all the things that she prized most preserves, honey, and good things to eat locked up so the [servants] wouldn't steal them. When she started towards that room I was always behind her to go in and see all the things that she had in there. That was the happiest time to follow her in that clothes room.

OUR NEIGHBORS

I remember names of many good

people that lived around old Rock Creek: the Hughes,¹² Whites,¹³ McMillons¹⁴ (sic), Thrashes,¹⁵ Palmers, Wilsons,¹⁶ Ligon,¹⁷ Powers,¹⁸ Eckols,¹⁹ Welches,²⁰ and Stoughes.²¹ [There were] many more but I

¹²1880 U. S. Census, Clark Township, Pike County, AR, p. 453A. Rev. John J. Hughes was born in Georgia. Several of his children married into the Baker and McMillan families.

¹³Ibid., p. 452A. This is probably John M. White, age 46, from Georgia.

¹⁴Ibid., p. 453B. Elizabeth Jane McMillan was the second wife of Patrick Henry Baker, brother of Laura's mother, Martha. Her family moved to Rock Creek with the Bakers shortly after the Civil War from Columbia County. Elizabeth's brother, Robert C. McMillan, a disabled Confederate soldier, also ran a store at Rock Creek.

¹⁵Ibid., p. 458. Levy Thrash was a young man from Georgia in 1880.

¹⁶Ibid., p. 454B. Allen and Ellen Wilson were a young couple, he from Texas and she from Kentucky. Elisabeth Welch, the widow of Parson F. Welch, was living with them in 1880.

¹⁷Ibid., p. 458B. P. T. Ligon, age 37, was from Georgia.

¹⁸Ibid., p. 459A. Larken H. Powers was 73 and from Georgia.

¹⁹Ibid., p. 459B. Joseph Echols, age 32, was from Alabama.

²⁰Ibid., p. 454B. Parson Thomas F. Welch, the long time pastor of Bethel Missionary Baptist Church, came to the area about 1855. He was the first settler at what is now Glenwood. He died in 1871 and was the first person buried in what is now the Glenwood Cemetery. Members of his family continued to be active in the community until about 1900 when most moved to Texas.

²¹Ibid., p. 459B. Richard Stough was 46 and from Georgia.

¹¹ Little Rock, AR *Arkansas Gazette*, May 16, 1870, p. 4, col. 2 and June 28, 1870, p. 3, col. 1. This earthquake occurred "about 15 minutes after nine o'clock in the morning on May 11, 1870".

can't think of them now. In our neighborhood, the Cokers,²² Hardys,²³ McLains,²⁴ Ponders,²⁵ Corleys,²⁶ Adams,²⁷ Spears, Haygoods,²⁸ and Martins²⁹... All good people. O yes, I was about to forget the Harrings. We all loved [Robert Herring]³⁰ so much. He was almost a father to us after our father died. He was so good to us.

MY FATHER'S MUSICAL TALENT

My father bought an accordion once and he played it one Sunday and I felt so badly about it. I thought he had committed a grave sin playing on the Sabbath day. The first school I ever attended was the old

²²Ibid., p. 457A. Phillip Coker was 51 and from Alabama. His son, John Phillip or as we know him, "Uncle Phil", did not die until the 1950s. The Coker and Baker families were always good friends. My father, Pierce Russell Baker, was named for Pierce Coker.

²³Ibid., p. 457A. Gallant Hardy was an old man aged 76 from South Carolina.

²⁴Ibid., p. 457B. Silas McLain was aged 40 in 1880 and was from South Carolina.

²⁵Ibid., p. 457B. William Ponder was also aged 40 but had come from Alabama.

²⁶Ibid., p. 457A. Mary Corley was the mother of Nancy Ann, the wife of Phillip Coker.

²⁷Ibid., p. 460B. There were several members of the Adams Family living in the area. The oldest was Simpson, aged 70 in 1880. They had come to the area from Alabama.

²⁸Ibid., p. 456B. Thomas Haygood was a 30-year-old man from Alabama in 1880.

²⁹Ibid., p. 456B. William and John M. Martin appear to be brothers from Alabama. Later they intermarried with members of the Hubbard family.

³⁰Ibid., p. 457B. He was a 40-year-old man from South Carolina.

Palmer's Chapel [Methodist Church and School, just south of Rock Creek]. My teacher's name was Mr. Basham. Miss Ella Wilson was my model for a girl. I thought she was fine in every way. She was Mrs. Dick Ward's mother.

MY GRANDMOTHER, NANCY CAROLINE SPENCE VAUGHAN BAKER

My grandmother taught me how to piece quilts and to knit my stockings. She was very nice and particular about every thing. She belonged to the Presbyterian Church until [her family] moved to Rock Creek [about 1867]. Then she joined the Methodist Church [because] there wasn't any Presbyterian Church there. She taught me many valuable lessons that I'll never forget. She had no use for tobacco or whisky.

Her housekeeper and maid was a Negro woman and I loved her very much. She petted me [in] every thing I wanted. Sometimes she'd carry me on her back to visit some of the neighbors after supper. She was so nice and such a good cook. Grandpa would sit in his chair under where the stairway went up and smoke his pipe and sometimes play the fiddle. That was when I was the happiest.

UNCLE JONATHAN AND AUNT MARY BAKER

These are the things that I remember [from] my childhood days, sweet childhood days and I just can't remember all of them. After I was 14 years [old] I went home [to stay] and my mother sent me to school at Amity. I boarded at Uncle Jonathan Baker's. And Aunt Mary [his wife] was so good to me. Her son, [William] Pitt [Baker] was about my age and we had such a good time and Aunt Mary would let us have anything we wanted. One day we knew that she was

going to bake a cake after dinner. [Afterwards] she went to see her daughter and wasn't at home when we came back from school. We ran most all the way home to see which could get there to get some cake but my Aunt thought she was wise, but it didn't prove that way [.]. She locked [the cake] up in her trunk. We looked every where and couldn't find it. We found the trunk locked we got the screw driver and took off the hinges and there was the cake. Ha! She thought it cute and just laughed about it. She should have given us a good spanking instead.

OLD AMITY SCHOOL

Dick [Richard M.] Burke was our school teacher [at Amity]. He was a kind teacher and was always patient with me about my lessons especially arithmetic. I thought him the greatest man I ever knew. I still have his autograph in my album. Old Amity School, how dear to my heart was the scenes of childhood. That's where I met my long life companion and sweetheart [Andrew J. Thompson].

CLOSING REMARKS

[My husband and I] are now in [our] nineties and still going. [I] can walk without a cane. We don't remember things clearly as we did in our younger days. [However, I] still enjoy the children coming home to see us. Our children's names are: Clarice, Grace, Nell, Clifford, Jettie, Byron, Lowell, John, Mabel, and Andrew Jackson, and Earnestine, 5 girls and 6 boys.

This [was written] on Oct. 4, 1956 by Laura C. [Richardson] Thompson, mother of all these eleven children.

Arkansas Priors Birth Index Volume 3 Available Soon

Volume 3 of the Arkansas Priors Birth Index will include 39,140 individuals who registered their birth in 1943 and who were born before 1905 plus an additional 10,578 individuals who registered in 1942 and were born in 1903 and 1904. The last group did not meet the 100-year requirement in order to be published in the previous volumes. Volume 3 will contain almost 50,000 names and will therefore be almost twice the size of Volumes 1 and 2.

The index contains the child's full name, birth date and county of birth, the maiden name of the mother and the information required to order a copy of the birth certificate from the Arkansas Department of Health.

The birth certificate contains other wonderful information including place of birth of child and both parents. Some certificates also have occupations of both parents.

A new CD containing a searchable index of all 103,000 names in Vol. 1-3 will also be available. The price of Volume 3 has not been determined, but we hope to keep the price at \$15 for the CD.

Salt Lake City Trip – December 2004



Susan Boyle



Entrance to LDS Library



Whitney McLaughlin



AGS sponsored a research trip to the LDS Family History Library in Salt Lake City in December. The library has 5 floors of genealogy books, maps, microfiche and over 2 million rolls of microfilm. There are almost 200 computers, several hundred microfilm readers and lots of very knowledgeable and patient volunteers to help you.



Lynda Suffridge



Rita Anderson & Gloria Futrell being helped by one of the many volunteers



Nina Corbin

Mystery Picture

Do you recognize the people in this picture? Some are identified below.

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Top row left to right: George Erion (mgr.); _?_ (wife related to Aunt Lula); Fuzzy Tucker; Bill Harrell; Spencer (Zeke) Plowman
Middle Row: Ed Lamb (retired police Memphis); Joe Bush; _?_; _?_
Bottom Row: Keg Morris; _?_; Ray Handy (capt. – good ballplayer)

This photo of the Little Rock area MoPac [Missouri Pacific] baseball team is owned by John Tarbell. It had previously belonged to John's grandfather, the late C. S. Plowman. Mr. Plowman was the pitcher on the team and was called Zeke by his teammates. The photo was probably taken between 1927, when Mr. Plowman came to Little Rock from St. Louis, and April 1929, when he married the late Marguerite Brannen. The couple lived in Little Rock after that, but Mr. Plowman no longer worked for Missouri Pacific or played baseball. The names of some of the other players were obtained from Mr. Plowman by his daughter shortly before his death. The photograph was taken by Joseph Schrader, the well-known Little Rock photographer, and has been added to the Schrader collection at the Arkansas History Commission.

Arkansas Queries

ADKINS – BUTLER – COSTON – ETHERIDGE – POWER – RUTHERFORD – WILCOX – COOK – CHAMBERLAIN: Interested in contacting descendants of the following families that came to Hot Spring Co AR (Magnet Cove area) in the 1800s: Adkins, Butler, Coston, Etheridge, Power, Rutherford, Wilcox, Cook, Chamberlain. **Ralph A. Coston**, P.O. Box 163, Warren, AR 71671, email racoston@earthlink.net

BLACKSTONE - BLACKSTON - BLAXTON: I would like to correspond with any descendants of any Blackstones (also spelled Blackston or Blaxton) as I am trying to connect all of these. My ancestor's, Richard Blackston(e)'s daughter, Tabitha Blackstone married Isaac Newton Mangrum about 1855, probably in Craighead County, Arkansas. I am also interested in the J. Blackston that married Mary Ann Stotts, who later married Joshua Larison. Thanks for any help. **Connie Wallace Perdue**, email clperdue@swbell.net

BOLDON/BOLDEN: Husband was named Edd (called Zeke) so his full name possibly Edward Ezekiel Boldon. His wife was Sylvia (West). Two known dau: 1) Mary Ann Elizabeth Boldon, b Oct 1865 m David Cloude 2) Lucinda Bolden b Oct 1868 m James (Jim) Waters from North Georgia. Possibly a third daughter named Margaret who married ? Logan. **Jewel S. Leonard**, 6259 Lee Road 390, Opelika, AL 36804

BRASHEARS: Looking for any information on a James Thomas Brashears. He was born in TN but was married in Greensboro, Craighead Co AR to Dovie Dacus 20 Jan 1897. His father was William Henry Brashears b in TN but lived in Green Co AR and was married to a Margaret ?; second wife Willie McDonald. James Thomas had one son William Elbert Brashears b 6 Nov 1897 m Pearlle Bell Branum b 6 Apr 1905. James Thomas & wife Dovie died when son William was very young. Can't find anything as to their death and where they were buried. Appreciate any info. on this family. **Irene Dallas Goble**, P.O. Box 60, Bassett, AR 72313

BYBEE: What happened to Fannie? Fannie M. Bybee b 1846 in Pittsylvania Co VA, m William Curtis Pitts in same county on 21 Jan 1868. 3 daughters: Olive, Fannie & Willie. Family came to AR after 1880. Wm remarried by 1890 in IZARD Co AR. Tradition says Wm. & Fannie divorced. Family stayed in AR. Looking for leads on Fannie. **Jerrie Townsend**, 307 Lee Place, Stuttgart, AR 72160, email jerrie@futura.net

CRAIN: Esther Crain died in Jackson Co AR 7 Dec 1921. States she was born in IL. Informant: Jesse Crain, Newport. Want to locate family – they may be the missing part of my family tree. **Byron Crain**, 2235 W Glenalden Dr., Germantown, TN 38139, email bcrain@midsouth.rr.com

CUNNINGHAM – EUBANKS: Researching Cunningham and Eubanks families living in NW quarter of AR from early 1800s. **Mary Ellen Johnson**, 4912 Trout Farm Rd, Springdale, AR 72762, email orphantrainlady@cox-internet.com

FERGUSON: Elizabeth Ferguson, mother of Judge Andrew Scott d 12 mar 1851 Pope Co, AR. She was also the mother of Congressman John Scott of MO, b 18 May 1782 Hanover Co, VA d 9 Jun 1861 Washington Co MO. Have detailed information about California descendants. I am a direct descendant of Judge Andrew Scott & his son Walter Ferguson Scott b 1 Dec 1822 Post of Arkansas d 14 Nov 1885 Modesto, Stanislaus Co, CA. Will gladly share. **Lynne E. Scott-Drennan**, 137 Rambling Dr., Folsom, CA 95630-4644, email amandascott@worldnet.att.net

FORTUNE: Wish to contact anyone with surname Fortune or who has a Fortune somewhere on the family tree, especially (but not limited to) those who emigrated from TN to AR after Civil War and settled in Stone, Independence, Prairie counties or were originally from Hardeman/McNairy areas of TN. **Joan Vickers**, 110 Pine Meadows Loop, Hot Springs, AR 71901

GIBSON/GIPSON: Where was Johnson Gibson/Gipson in 1820? Birthplace of children indicates AL. Where in AL? Found in Jackson Co AL in 1830. In Pope Co AR by 1840. Died Pope Co AR 1860. Does anyone know his siblings or his parents? He was b 1787 VA, m cousin(?) Lucy Gibson 1815 Louisa Co VA. **J. Lindemann**, 1809 Bradley Lane, Russellville, AR, email jlinde@cei.net

HART: Searching for the burial place of Jacob Hart. May have died around 1909 in Carroll or Madison Co AR. **Georgia Farwell**, HC 81 Box 8663, Eagle Rock, MO 65641-9803, email gfarwell@mo-net.com

HORNE: Mathew Horne b 1825 Henderson Co TN d 9 Sep 1889 Hackett, Sebastian Co AR. He was a minister in the Methodist Episcopal Church South 1860-1889. Married first Martha Chamberlain 1851 Madison Co TN, m2 Rebecca A. (nee Clements) Carpenter, Lawrence Co AR 1865. Children: Mary Francis Carpenter b 1863 AR; James Perry Horn b 1867 AR; Missouri Horn b 1868 AR; Martha Horn b 1870 AR; Henry Horn b 1879 AR; others unknown. **Iris A. Horne**, 205 Johnston Blvd., Waxahachie, TX 75165, email bjhorne@charter.net

HUNTER: Does anyone have the genealogy of Hardy Hunter? He was in Hempstead Co AR in 1803, later at Umpire AR. I have some information but not all – will share. **Mrs. C. T. Patterson, Jr.**, 1105 Hwy 108, Ashdown, AR 71822, email patterson@arkansas.net

KILBURN: Seeking information about descendants of James Kilburn and Elizabeth McGee Kilburn who were found in 1860 census of Lafave Twp, Scott Co AR. Children are: Dallas, Lewis Cass, Schaharased, Della, Rufus B. and Aaron. **Mary L. Brown**, 3139 Hwy 270W, Sheridan, AR 72150, email mlbrown@direcway.com.

MARTIN: In the 1860 Marion Co AR census there is a S. H. and Sarah Martin family. In 1870 James C., Mary F., John M. have left the household; Samuel H. & Sarah are now in Newton Co AR, Prairie Twp with Eliza J., Jonathan D., Elizira J. and William H. Martin [Eliza J. – aka Louise?] I am seeking names of spouses of Eliza J., Jonathan D., Elizira J (or E) and William H. Any information on these families will be most appreciated. **Margery H. Wheeler**, 10814 Candlewood Dr., Houston, TX 77042-1302, email wheelerwm@aol.com

MASON – HAGGARD – KIZZIA: Would like to share information with anyone searching Mason, Haggard, Kizzia families in Izard & Baxter Co AR 1830-1900. **Wanda Poteet Haggard**, 1409 N. Sherry Lane, Shawnee, OK 74801-5421, email wandah1409@aol.com

MCKUIN: Always need help with the McKuin family from Conway and Van Buren Co AR. **Ronald McKuin**, 2760 Barron Rd., Poplar Bluff, MO 63901, email rmckuin@semo.net

MCVEY – WEST: Would like to exchange information on the ancestors or descendants of Samuel Jefferson “Sam J” (1866-1944) and Luiza Jane “Liza J” (1872-1950), Jeremiah “Jerry Miah” (1851-1924) and Mary “Molly” McVey (1861-1917), William David (1854-1939) and Mary Jane Todd West (1866-1917). They lived most of their lives in Logan and Yell County AR. Many of their descendants still live in the area. **Samuel Weldon**, 9344 Lait Dr., El Paso, TX 79925-6639, phone 915-592-6935, email sweldon@elp.rr.com.

MULLIN – MURRIN – HOMESLEY: Seeking information on Mullin, Murrin and Homesley families in Washington, Benton & Madison Co AR. **Bradley Sue Howell**, 722 Ridgeway, Dallas, TX 75214, email bshowell@ont.com

NAPIER: Looking for information on Ophelia Napier b Nov 1839 in TN, dau of Madison C. and Mary Elizabeth Burch Napier, m James Claiborne 1857 Independence Co AR. She had at least 2 children about 1870. Mr. Claiborne died about 1874 but Ophelia was alive in 1876 when her sister died in London. **Teresa Citarella**, 2275 Springs Landing Blvd., Longwood, FL 32779

PARRIS – ALMOND – RAINES (RAINS) – SEXTON: William Thomas Parris (Will), my great-grandfather, came to AR from GA around 1874 and died in 1879. My grandfather, William Thomas Parris (Tommy), was 10 years old when he and his mother, Elizabeth Almond Parris, joined my great-grandfather in AR. They traveled from GA with her family, the Almonds. John Rains was the father of my grandmother. He was reported to have died in TN around 1880, but I have not been able to verify. My grandmother, Johnnie Maybell Rains, and her two siblings were brought to AR by an uncle, Will Sexton sometime after 1880. In 1893, Johnnie Maybell m William Thomas Parris (Tommy). They moved to TX in 1928. I would like to exchange information with any Parris, Almond, Rains or Sexton descendants who might know about this lost period -- 1880 to 1900. **Ovelle Bennett Cagle**, 125 Cedar Springs, Sulphur Springs, TX 75482-4876, email obc29@cox-internet.com

THOMPSON – BRIDGES: Need parents of Louisa Thompson supposedly b 7 Dec 1853/55 Floyd Co GA, m1 Henry E. Bridges 1874 Clark Co AR, m2 William G. Jones 1900, d 6 Jun 1934 Cedar Grove, Clark Co AR, buried New Hope Cemetery. Son John Bridges did not m and dau Nancy Elizabeth (Bettie) Bridges m Louis L Thomas 1896 Clark Co. Louisa’s sister Nancy P. Thompson m M. W. Wilson 1872 Clark Co. Brother Isaac Jefferson Thompson (Jeff) m Charity Story 1867 Clark Co, brother Seth Thompson m Martha Wilson 1876 Clark Co, brother Andrew J. Thompson married Sarah Wagner 1875 Clark Co. **Susan Boyle**, 57 Plantation Acres Drive, Little Rock, AR 72210-3627, 501-455-9921, email susanb1996@aol.com.

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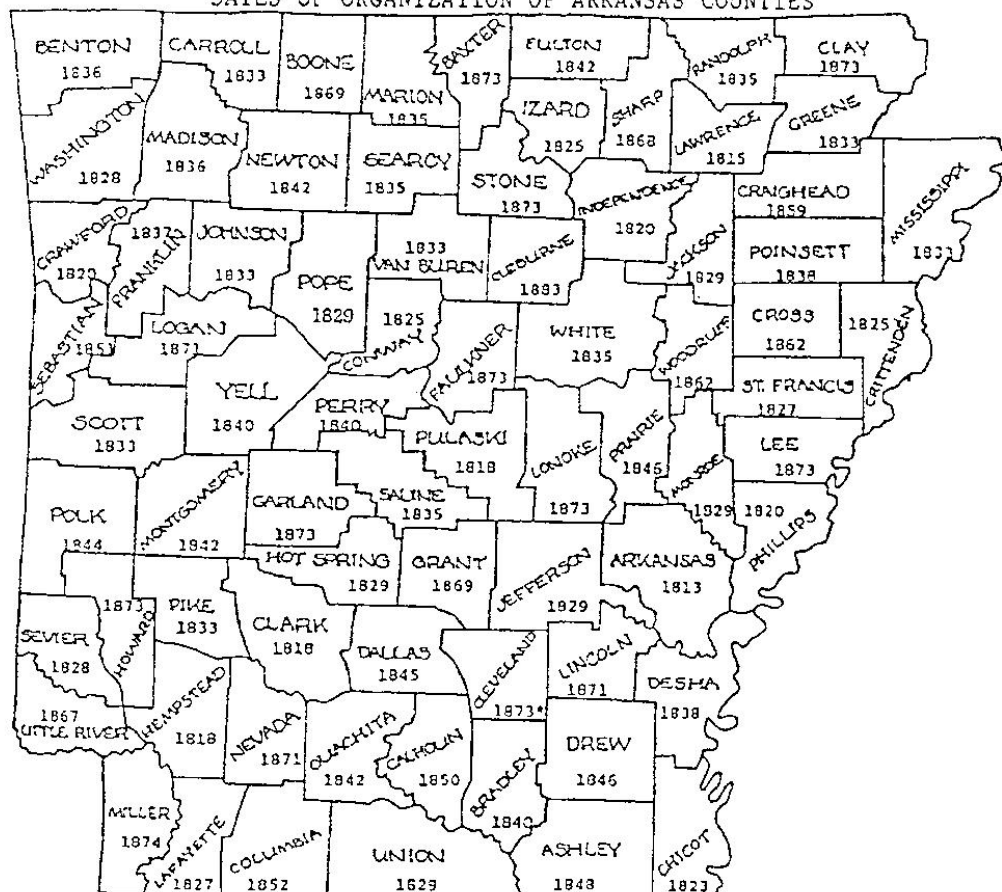
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