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#### FRIENDS OF GENEALOGY, INC.

The purpose of FRIENDS OF GENEALOGY, INC. is to foster an interest in and to promote and encourage the development of genealogy. Our objectives are:

- 1. To share and assist any individual or organization with a common interest in genealogy and history.
- 2. To promote and encourage the preservation of genealogical and historical materials.
- 3. To teach the principles of correct documentation.

Membership is open to all individuals and organizations interested in accepting our purpose and objectives. Annual membership dues are:

Individual \$15.00 Family \$20.00 Sustaining \$25.00 Life Memberships: Individual \$125.00 Family \$175.00

Our monthly meetings are normally held the first Saturday of each month at 1:00 p.m. in the Eaves Room at Shreve Memorial Library, 424 Texas Avenue, Shreveport, Louisiana. Program topics and other meeting information are published in local newspapers. Following many of our meetings, we have informal round-table discussions for the purpose of assisting individuals with their research.

Our quarterly publication, <u>THE JOURNAL</u>, welcomes unpublished material pertaining to genealogy and history, particularly in North Louisiana. Other information includes pedigree charts, family group sheets, and reviews of books, publications, and other genealogical material donated to our organization. Queries are free of charge; they will be edited and published as space is available. Friends of Genealogy, Inc. is not responsible for the accuracy of contributed material.

We welcome exchanges of quarterlies and other publications. We also accept donations of books, publications, and other genealogical material for review in our quarterly. All materials are deposited in the Genealogy Department of Shreve Memorial Library in Shreveport, Louisiana.

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Thank you for your memorial donations over the last several months. As you know, these donations are used to purchase publications and microfilm to be placed in the Genealogy Collection at Shreve Memorial Library. Donated items are marked in memory of the person for whom the donation is made. Recently, donations have been made in the memory of Bernice Lee Volentine, Aline Meyer Beard, and Joel Dunlap.

## THE PRESIDENT'S PAGE

Dear Friends, I hope your summer has been a good one. I missed you all in July and hope we don't have to cancel another meeting. One of the greatest benefits of our organization is working and learning together at Shreve Memorial Library.

Remember, real research today is still done in musty courthouse basements, cemeteries, Federal and State archives, and at the library. While I am as excited by new technology as most other computer users, we have to admit there are few original documents available there. The computer is best used as a place to plan your research, such as library card catalogs, addresses of county offices, and local historical and genealogical societies, and to discover background information. While it is unlikely you could download your family history at the click of a mouse, you can participate in newsgroups and discussion groups, where you can post information, locate common ancestors, and find new sources to research. I have met wonderful and helpful new cousins, and hope to continue to move forward into the computer age.

I felt like you would also enjoy hearing from our editor, so I've asked her to share this page with me from time to time.

Thank you for being a "Friend of Genealogy."

Laura Hair Duffy, President





Thanks, Laura. As you all know, *THE JOURNAL* is a big responsibility and I appreciate all the help I have received. Your contributions are always welcome. We especially want articles dealing with history and genealogy in the Ark-La-Tex area, plus Bible records, cemetery listings (church, family, and community), family stories, "how-to" articles, transcriptions of courthouse and church records, and other information of interest to genealogists. We prefer to use previously unpublished material; however, with proper permission and citations, we will be glad to reprint information of interest to our readers. And, let's don't forget those queries, ancestor charts, and family group sheets!

Janine Johnson Dunlap, Editor

### MARK YOUR CALENDAR



Programs tentatively scheduled for 1997 by Friends of Genealogy, Inc.:

Sept. 6, 1997 - Greenwood and Oakland Cemeteries, Shreveport, LA --Member Jane Leslie Newberry

October 4, 1997 - Computers & Genealogy -- Member Reed Mathews

November 1, 1997 - Handwriting Analysis -- Miriam Ewing

December 6, 1997 - Annual Christmas Luncheon

Unless otherwise noted, all meetings are held at 1:00 p.m. in the Eaves Room, Shreve Memorial Library, on the first Saturday of each month. However, times, locations, and topics are subject to change. Check local newspapers prior to each meeting, or call Elsie Jones at 318-459-3565 (work) or 318-742-3471 (home) or Laura Duffy 318-424-7648 for up-to-date program information.

Monthly Board Meetings are generally held the Monday evening prior to the regular Saturday meeting. Our Board Meetings are open and all members are encouraged to attend at least one meeting during the year. Remember, this is your organization; please present your thoughts and ideas. Contact any Board Member for the time and location of any meeting you wish to attend.



The Federation of Genealogical Societies and The Dallas Genealogical Society is presenting "Unlock Your Heritage with Creative Problem Solving" September 3 - 6, 1997, Contact the FGS Business Office, P. O. Box 830220, Richardson, TX 75083-0220; Phone/Fax: 972-9727; E-mail: fgs-office@fgs.org

The Winn Parish Genealogical & Historical Society will hold a Genealogy Workshop September 13, 1997 in Winnfield, LA. Various topics will be "Louisiana Roots" (Randy DeCuir), Genealogical Organizations (several speakers), Native Americans (Chief Rufus Davis), and Cammie J. Henry Research Center (Mary Linn Wernet). Contact Jo Branch, Vice President, P. O. Box 652, Winnfield, LA 71483 (Phone 318-628-9726).

The Jefferson Genealogical Society will hold its 13th Annual Workshop October 4, 1997 at the Holiday Inn Select in Kenner, LA. Desmond Walls Allen will speak on "Creative Problem Solving," "Getting the Most from Death Certificates," and "Social Security Resources." Write to Chairman, Workshop Committee, P. O. Box 961, Metairie, LA 70004-0961.

The Arkansas Genealogy Society will hold its 1997 Fall Seminar and Book Fair October 3-4, 1997 at the Holiday Inn - Airport-East in Little Rock, AR. Christine Rose will present four lectures: Successful Courthouse Research, Estates - A Goldmine, Military Records Between the Revolution and Civil War, and Using Little Known and Neglected Sources. Contact AGS Fall Seminar, P. O. Box 908, Hot Springs, AR 71902-0908.

## ASK

#### Miss Ima G\* Bugg





Dear Miss Bugg: I'm looking for my Revolutionary War ancestor in Allen County, KY. This courthouse burned in 1902. Are any records available, or did they all go up in smoke?

Dear Burned: You're in luck; not all of the records are gone. Some records available are:

All Deeds prior to 1863; Deeds from 1880-1895, unindexed.

Many Wills and Administrations; Wills from 1824-1902,

Many Settlements dated from 1860 to 1902.

Many Guardianships dated 1860 to 1902.

Many Marriages and fragments thereof 1815-1898; Colored also.

Book upon book of County Court Orders 1847-1899 (sporadic); these show Probates, Guardianships, etc.

Many re-recorded Deeds after the fire 186+ to 1902.

Division of Lands 1857-1902.

Sheriff's Settlement Book 1879-1902.

Miscellaneous Book, undated; Miscellaneous Bonds 1873-1912.

Commissioners Deed Books 1885-1897.



Dear Ima G\* Bugg: I think "sticky notes" are the best invention since sliced bread; now I hear that we shouldn't be using them. What gives?

Dear Stuck: As usual, what is too good to be true, is. It is recommended that removable selfstick notes NEVER be used on any paper records that have permanent value because the adhesive stays behind when removed and the colors tend to run when wet. I like to put my documents in archival-safe sheet protectors; then I can put my sticky notes on the outside of the protector. If this is taboo, will one of my archivist buddies please let me know?



Dear Ima G\* Bugg: When were postage stamps first issued?

Dear Stamp Collector: United States postage stamps were first issued in 1847. As stamps were not readily available at many post offices, the adhesive stamps were not required until 1 Jan 1856. Earlier letters consisted of folded letter sheets sealed with wax; they usually had a postal mark or date stamp that gave the date and the city and state from which they were mailed. Envelopes were not generally used prior to the 1850s; they were considered as an additional piece of paper under prevailing postage rates.



Dear Miss Bugg: I plan to visit some country cemeteries this fall when the weather turns cooler. Have you any suggestions for me?

Dear Searcher: Yes, there are dangers lurking out there. Many cemeteries have wooded areas along the boundaries where animals live. Also, in the isolation of country cemeteries, you can run into the human predator. Watch out for snakes in areas that are not mowed. Carry a walking stick like hikers use to poke around in front of you or help explore a bushy area. There is often no one near to help you if unlevel ground or a rock causes you to fall and injure yourself. Be careful and follow this rule: Always take someone with you!



Dear Miss Bugg: What does the term "microform" mean?

Dear Curious: That was a new one to me, too. I'm told it is a term including all forms of photographically reduced printing, typically microfilm and microfiche.



Dear Ima G\*: I'm planning a trip to Scotland next year and hope to do a little research while I'm there. Any helpful hints?

Dear Scot: Spend your time enjoying the sights while you're there. All birth, marriage, and deaths records are kept at New Register House in Edinburgh, and as there are only a limited number of public access seats, research can be very frustrating. Computer experts have been hired to make these records accessible via the internet; this website is expected to be up and running by September of this year. Initially, only the records for the years 1855 to 1896 will be available, but plans are to have all parish registers between 1553 and 1854 added, along with the census details from 1881 and 1891. (Glasgow Herald, 23 Jun 1997, via the internet)



Dear Ima G\* Bugg: What is a "hogshead?"

Dear What: It's not what you think. A hogshead is a barrel or cask holding 63 gallons. Other measurements you may run across are:

Pipe - A large cask for wine or oil of 2 hogsheads, or about 126 gallons.

Barrel - 31 1/2 gallons of liquid measure; 196 lbs. of flour; 200 lbs. pork

Tierce - 1/3 of a pipe; a cask between a barrel and a hogshead

Puncheon - A large cask of varying capacity, 72 - 120 gallons

Picul - A unit of weight in Asia, about 133 lbs.

Keg - Small barrel, usually less than 10 gallons; unit of weight for nails (100 lbs.)

Bushel - Unit of dry measure equal to 4 pecks or 32 quarts

Peck - One-quarter bushel or 8 quarts



Summer is the time when it's too hot to do the things it was too cold to do during the winter!

#### **DESOTO PARISH MARRIAGE LICENSES 1887 - 1896**

Marriage Licenses Issued by W. R. Sutherlin, Clerk of Court (Continued from Volume IX, No. 2)

Date	Groom	Bride
4 Jan 1893	GLASS, Seymore	BRISKER, Joaner
5 Jan 1893	GREEN, George	JACKSON, Emma
5 Jan 1893	NERVOUS, Johnson	BLACK, Eliza
5 Jan 1893	THOMAS, John	DELTON, Lilla Ann
5 Jan 1893	CHARRINE, Joseph	DOMBARD, Maggie
10 Jan 1893	HENDERSON, Ervin	SIMOND, Ollie
10 Jan 1893	WHITE, Jack	SCOTT, Judy
11 Jan 1893	SEWELL, Willie	HENDERSON, Angeline
11 Jan 1893	JACKSON, John	TAYLOR, Mary
11 Jan 1893	WHITE, Thos	DODSON, Lizzie
11 Jan 1893	SCOTT, Wyatt	WASHINGTON, Judith
11 Jan 1893	RICHARDSON, Nelson	BROWN, Annie
11 Jan 1893	COLE, Roland	ERNEST, May
12 Jan 1893	MOSELY, J	MITCHELL, Lina
13 Jan 1893	FARR, George M.	BICE, Maggie L.
16 Jan 1893	BROWN, Ivey G.	BARR, Huldah
16 Jan 1893	SIAS, Nathan	THOMAS, Rosa
17 Jan 1893	TAYLOR, Howard	BURNS, Tildy
17 Jan 1893	HAMILTON, John A.	WILLIAMS, Lou
19 Jan 1893	JONES, Moses	FRIERSON, Leana
	Returned Not Executed	
21 Jan 1893	HANDY, Asbury	HALL, Roxie
	Returned Not Executed	
21 Jan 1893	BRISKER, Alex	THOMAS, Carrie
24 Jan 1893	MORRIS, Wm	JONES, Cora
25 Jan 1893	FLORNOY, Elias	CHAPMAN, Kittie
25 Jan 1893	EDWARDS, William	CALDWELL, Sallie
26 Jan 1893	HILL, Walter	SCH, Bertie
26 Jan 1893	EDWARDS, Edward	BOYD, Frances
27 Jan 1893	WILLIAMS, Benjamin	HALL, Roxie
30 Jan 1893	MITCHELL, Andrew	RANDALL, Virggie
1 Feb 1893	NORRIS, Samuel	GRAVES, Mamie
1 Feb 1893	GIBSON, Henry	BOYKIN, Anna
1 Feb 1893	ANDERSON, Aleck	WYATT, Mary
1 Feb 1893	WILLIAMS, Leon	PEGUES, Sarah Ann
2 Feb 1893	PRICE, Henry	AUDEEN, Frances
2 Feb 1893	ALLEN, Anderson	BOYD, Charlotte
2 Feb 1893	STANLY, Wm	RENCHER, Nora
1 Feb 1893	ALEXANDER, Judge	THOMAS, Anna
3 Feb 1893	GLENN, Volly	BAKER, Julia
4 Feb 1893	BARLOW, Thos. L.	McCRAKCEN, Estelle
8 Feb 1893	PERRY, Jonas	WOODS, Phoebe
9 Feb 1893	GILLIAM, James	TAYLOR, Dalia
9 Feb 1893	HOWSLEY, Robert	DAUGHTY, Laura
9 Feb 1893	HENDERSON, Peter	HIGHTOWER, Anna
10 Feb 1893	BROWN, Jodie	HOLLOWAY, Amy
11 Feb 1893	HESSAR, Adolphus	DAVIS, Salina

## DeSoto Parish Marriage Licenses (continued):

Date	Groom	Bride
14 Feb 1893 15 Feb 1893 15 Feb 1893 16 Feb 1893	HALL, Hall WILLIAMS, John ADAMS, Green HENRY, Isham Returned Not Executed	BROWN, Roxie MURDOCK, Mary REYNOLDS, Aggie JONES, Baisie
16 Feb 1893 17 Feb 1893 18 Feb 1893 18 Feb 1893 21 Feb 1893 22 Feb 1893 23 Feb 1893	WILLIAMS, Parhous HANDY, Frank BRADFORD, Joe ASHTON, Wm JACKSON, Jas. A. HOUSTON, Preston CLARK, Dock HENDERSON, Emerson	WARREN, Louisa Ann JEFFERSON, Mariah SANDERS, Fanny QUARLES, Maria WALKER, Annie Lee BROWN, Carrie L. HOUSTON, Amanda MITCHELL, Viney
4 Mar 1893 4 Mar 1893 7 Mar 1893 7 Mar 1893 7 Mar 1893 7 Mar 1893 11 Mar 1893 13 Mar 1893 15 Mar 1893 16 Mar 1893 21 Mar 1893 22 Mar 1893 22 Mar 1893 24 Mar 1893 24 Mar 1893 28 Mar 1893 31 Mar 1893	MURPHY, Thomas A. WALKER, Henry FLOOD, Peyton KYER, Joseph WILSON, Carl THOMAS, Jno. JACKSON, Arthur ASHTON, Henry PARKER, Moses C. SMITH, Albert PARSONS, James W. THOMAS, A. CARROLL, Calvin JAMES, Isaac (?) MATTHEWS, John H. GREEN, William MICHEL, Albert DAVIS, Michael JENKS, Soloman	JUGE, Lizzie E. WEST, Bettie THOMPSON, Mary CARTER, Georgia NOBLE, Lillian M. ALEXANDER, Susan JACKSON, Ann SAMUELS, Nettie RAINS, Nora C. HENDERSON, Ellen JACKSON, Maggie BIRD, Roberta BROWN, Ginnett WELLS, Lizzie RICE, Alice ROSS, Jennie WADE, Lizzie ANDERSON, Herman McCRARY, Phillis
5 Apr 1893 5 Apr 1893 15 Apr 1893 15 Apr 1893 25 Apr 1893 28 Apr 1893 29 Apr 1893	LOGAN, John T. WICKEVIN (?), Joseph MONROE, John WILLS, James H. FINCHER, Silas BULLOCKS, John LEWIS, Emanuel PARDIE, Eli	SUTHERLIN (?), Emma L. ADKINS, Elizabeth SATTERWHITE, Malissa HALL, Rachael NEAL, Sallie BLOM, Emma JACKSON, Nancy PROCELLE, Feliciana
4 May 1893 11 May 1893 12 May 1893 13 May 1893 17 May 1893 18 May 1893 25 May 1893	JENKINS, Timothy BUTTERFIELD, Jerry ARIE, Peter HART, Stewart MORRIS, Jno. HALL, Frank Y. RANDALL, Frank Jr.	NORRIS, Martha MOSELY, Caroline HOY, Mrs. Mary HARRISON, Anna SLOAN, Beulah GRAHAM, Lizzie E. ROBINSON, Susan
1 Jun 1893 2 Jun 1893	JONES, Green GRAHAM, Geo. G.	SCOTT, Celia DANS, Mary E.

## DeSoto Parish Marriage Licenses (continued):

Date	Groom	Bride
3 Jun 1893	JOHNSON, Thomas	O'NEAL, Roxana
6 Jun 1893	Returned Not Executed HUGHES, N. C.	DuBOIS, Lula
7 Jun 1893	GREGORY, Quincy W.	REDDING, Nettie
8 Jun 1893	JACKSON, Osear	PORTER, Mandy
10 Jun 1893	SISTRUNK, Jefferson D.	CARRELL, Sarah J.
13 Jun 1893	JONES, Jim	HALLE, Emily
13 Jun 1893	McMILLAN, James C.	MOSS, Mabel M.
17 Jun 1893	WILLIAMS, Wise (?)	GARRETT, Nettie
22 Jun 1893	TAYLOR, William	BELL, Alzoha
24 Jun 1893	PHILLIPS, Joel	MILLER, Lenora (?)
3 Jul 1893	HYAMS, Jospeh	JACKSON, Dora
5 Jul 1893	PICKETT, Willie	HILL, Mary Ann
5 Jul 1893	HICKS, William J.	McMICHAEL, Nancy C.
6 Jul 1893	HOGAN, Harlan (?)	SATTERWHITE, Adine
11 Jul 1893	HOWARD, John B.	TAYLOR, Mary Lou
15 Jul 1893	MATCH, Alex.	FOSTER, Hattie
15 Jul 1893	STRASSLE, Joseph	RINKE, Annie
17 Jul 1893 19 Jul 1893	DUERSON, George K. CARTER, Josh.	FLENIKEN, Cora A. KANSAS (?), Phoebe
21 Jul 1893	DORSEY, Willis	BRANTLEY, Adeline
22 Jul 1893	NEEL, Henry B.	NEEL, Belle
24 Jul 1893	BANKS, Geo	RUSSELL, Nancy
2 Aug 1893	SORELLS, Walter F.	BENNETT, Alice L.
5 Aug 1893	WALTZ, James	ROBINSON, Fannie Pearl
9 Aug 1893	ANDERSON, Thomas	WASHINGTON, Ella
9 Aug 1893	BERRY, Henry D.	BUTLER, Alice
9 Aug 1893 12 Aug 1893	DRAYTON, July WILSON, Isaac	BARNES, Lizzie
12 Aug 1893	DIAS, James	PARKS, Georgia MAYES, Livy
18 Aug 1893	McDANIEL, Jerry	ADAMS, Matilda
19 Aug 1893	BRASHER, Leroy B.	BATES, Mollie C.
24 Aug 1893	GOLDMAN, Harris	MILLER, Clara
27 Aug 1893	CATES, Wiley E.	BOZEMAN, Emma
28 Aug 1893	COLLINS, Wm M.	DEAR, Dear
6 Sep 1893	WASHINGTON, Clem	BUTLER, Ann
7 Sep 1893	ADAMS, Jno.	KING, Della
9 Sep 1893	FLENIKEN, Joseph J.	SMITH, Julia J.
12 Sep 1893 13 Sep 1893	BARBER, James M. PRICE, Jno C.	ROGERS, Ella
13 Sep 1893	BAMBARD, C. E.	BUFKIN, Annie J. DAVIS, Emma
13 Sep 1893	DEVAULTZ, Levy H.	CLANTON, Lizzie
21 Sep 1893	JONES, Jimmie	TAYLOR, Pearl
21 Sep 1893	RICHARDSON, Jno	PARROTT, Minnie
27 Sep 1893	OGILVIE, John	MITCHELL, Hattie
30 Sep 1893	EVANS, Abraham	CEAGER, Charity
9 Oct 1893	UKACE (?), Thompson	BUCKLES, Ella
10 Oct 1893	BUSTER, J. W.	REDDING, Fannie
14 Oct 1893	WILLIS, July	THOMAS, Belle
19 Oct 1893	STEPHENS, Jesse B.	LONG, Nelwyn

## DeSoto Parish Marriage Licenses (continued):

Date	Groom	Bride
24 Oct 1893 26 Oct 1893	WATTS, John E. McKASKELL, Samuel E.	WILSON, Jinnie E. McPHEARSON, Callie BRANTLY, Pick
28 Oct 1893 1 Nov 1893 8 Nov 1893 8 Nov 1893 11 Nov 1893 14 Nov 1893	ROLAND, Albert THOMAS, Thomas FOSTER, S. B. MATHIS, Eddie L. SMITH, Jamy J. MUSTIFUL, Jerome	DRAUGHAN, Scilla HADEN, Etta G. HOWELL, Addie R. CASWALL, Emma OWENS, Luby
15 Nov 1893 15 Nov 1893 15 Nov 1893 16 Nov 1893 16 Nov 1893 21 Nov 1893	ADAMS, Geo. M. BROWN, Henry DURHAM, O. S. WASHINGTON, Jas. LEE, Robert PUGH, Milton LANGFORD, Joseph A.	COLHAM (?), Pearl A. WEST, Lucy SCOTT, M. T. LORD, Lucy IVEY, Sarah BLUNT, Annie DAVENPORT, Emma
23 Nov 1893 24 Nov 1893 27 Nov 1893 28 Nov 1893 29 Nov 1893 30 Nov 1893	GILBERT, Sweety SMITH (?), James VANCE, Adam FIELD, Will JOHNSON, H. JACKSON, James	WASHINGTON, Elvira BALSEN, Ella ALEXANDER, Mintie SHANNON, Rilla JOHNSEN, Henrietta GARDNER, Narcissa
5 Dec 1893 7 Dec 1893 9 Dec 1893 9 Dec 1893 9 Dec 1893 13 Dec 1893 14 Dec 1893	McMICHAEL, Saml E. CLARK, Vance CRAWFORD, Alfred JENKINS, Nelson Jr. ATKINS, Oliver BRASHER, John HALL, Albert ABRAHAM, Henry	DIXON, Ella M. BIRD, Lizzie WILLIAMS, Fannie JENKINS, Lou CLARK, Louisa DeSOTO, Louise MARSHALL, Henrietta MOSELY, Jane
14 Dec 1893 16 Dec 1893 18 Dec 1893 20 Dec 1893 20 Dec 1893 20 Dec 1893 21 Dec 1893	WILLIAMS, Uriah SCOTT, Taylor JACKSON, Jeff ARMSTEAD, Cesar WILLIAMS, George WILLIAMS, J. T. DEMOSE, Jno.	HALL, Lucy SHANNON, Julia A. BOYD, Caldwell JORDAN, Minnie WALMSLY, Anna ETHERIDGE, Addie MOORE, Mary
22 Dec 1893 22 Dec 1893 22 Dec 1893 23 Dec 1893 23 Dec 1893 23 Dec 1893 23 Dec 1893 23 Dec 1893	CERSY, Dan WILLIAMS, Lewis PROVOST, Stuart MARSHALL, Charles WALKER, Asbury HAMBRICK, Rolon FORTSON, Westly	CROWELL, Annie TUCKER, Tencie JONES, Bama PURVIS, Alice WALKER, Malissa KYE, Isabella DAVIS, Luvenia
26 Dec 1893 26 Dec 1893 28 Dec 1893 28 Dec 1893 28 Dec 1893 29 Dec 1893 29 Dec 1893	GREEN, Ishmael WHITE, Rufus MILES, Harrison MOSELY, Henry CANNON, Honor BRANTLY, Aaron BIRD, Dennis LEWIS, Davis	GURDON, Hattie WALKER, Laura WILLIAMS, Mary JAMES, Bettie WALKER, Fannie LEWIS, May J. WASHINGTON, Tilda WASHINGTON, Lizzie
30 Dec 1893	WILLIAMS, James	PRATT, Roxie (to be continued)

Jan. 25, 1863 Camp near Fredricksburg Dear Sister,

I take this present opportunity to let you know that I am well and hope these few lines will find you the same. I have spent a very merry Christmas and a happy New Year. I hope you have the same. My heart is filled with joy to hear of the return of Galveston. I dare say it was a most brilliant affair. I have not heard any particulars about the fight as yet. I hear that the Island is being well fortified. I hope it is so. I think General Magruder is the right man in the right place. If it is fighting the boys want, he is the man to give it to them. I wish I could have been there and taken a hand in the fight myself. I suppose Wm. Young has reached Texas by this time. Everything is quiet along here. The Yankees are still on the opposite side of the Rappahanock River. We go on picket once every two tweeks. We have plenty of clothes to keep us warm, which is the main thing nowadays. We have not had any orders to go into winter quarters yet, but we have all built ourselves cabins and are now as comfortable as can be expected these times. I tried to get a furlough, but I could not make the riffle. I hope the war will soon be over and we all will get everlasting furloughs. Settle boys are well. Charley sends his kind regards. is in Richmond at his uncles. I have not received that bundle of clothes yet. I think they must be lost. Please remember me to all my friends and those who inquire for me. Write soon.

I remain your most affectionate brother, William

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Feb. 4, 1863 Camp near Fredricksburg Dear Sister,

I have just received your welcome letters dated Dec. 16 and 25. Jas Nagle has arrived here and brought the clothes you spoke abt, for which I am under a thousand obligations to you for them. Everything is quiet along here. I have just come off picket and therefore could not sooner write. I spoke to some of the Yankee pickets. They told me that they were sick and tired of the war and they expected peace in less than 3 months. I wish it were so. General Burnside, Franklin and Sumner have resigned. Geo Hooker is now in command of the Yankee force. The weather is very cold and the ground is partly covered with snow. We had a great game of snow ball a few days ago. There was about five thousand men engaged in the game. It was a great sight. Jas. Nagle looks very well, but is not in the best of spirits, by all appearances his lady love must have given him the mitten, whoever she is. I don't know. You ask me who my best friend is. That is very hard to tell for I have not a single enemy in the company.

clothes you sent me are a very handsome Christmas present for me. I wish I had something to return for them. Jas. Nagle brought us some papers giving full particulars about the fight at Galveston. The Settle boys are well. Ham is still in Richmond. I am well and hearty and hope these few lines will find you the same. Please give my kind regards to all my friends.

Your affectionate brother, William

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March 15, 1863 Camp near Richmond Dear Sister,

I have just received your welcome letter dated Jan. Leslie Thompson and George Branard have just arrived. Les brought me a letter from you dated Jan. 18 in which I was very glad to hear you were well. While in winter quarters it was rumored that the Yankees were sending troops on the South side of the James River so Lee sent General Hood's and Pickett's Divisions down here to watch the enemy's movements and check them if they should advance. We left our comfortable quarters on the 17 of Feb. weather was cold and it was snowing very hard so we had a very hard march of it. We arrived here on the 22 of Feb. and are encamped 7 miles below Richmond on the South side of the James River. Our camp is a very nice one. We have wood and water so handy. Les Thompson looks very well. So does George Branard. A trip home improves the boys Charley and Ham Settle are both in camp and very much. well. I received two pair of socks from you by Ham Settle for which I am thankful to you for them. I am glad to hear that Genl. Magruder is fortifying the Island. I am sure he will not give it up like Genl. Herbert did. I have heard that they hung Nicarauga Smith. I think they did perfectly They ought to have hung him 3 years ago. I suppose you have seen Wm. Young before this. He can tell all the particulars better than I can. I am very well and hope these few lines will find you the same. Please give my kind regards to all my friends. Write soon and I will do the same.

I remain, your affectionate brother, WM

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April 29, 1863 Camp near Suffolk, Va. Dear Sister,

I take this present opportunity to let you know that I am well and hoping these few lines will find you the same. I have just received your welcome letter dated Feb. 15 and was glad to hear you were well. Dear Sister, while in camp near Richmond I wrote you several letters, but have received no answer as yet. I hope you have received them by this time. We are now encamped within 3 miles of Suffolk which place the Yankees have possession of, and have had for the last twelve months, which gave ample time to make it

impregnable. The city is perfectly surrounded with breastworks and forts. The Nansemon river is on our left, in which the Yankees have 6 qunboats, and the Dismal Swamp is on our right, which is impassable for man or beast. Our artillery had a fight with the gunboats the other day and they sunk one and disabled another. We have had several small skirmishes but did not amount to anything. I do not think that we will attack the enemy in his stronghold but annoy him all we can and try to draw him out. We have been very busy since we have been here. We have to go on picket every two days and remain there thirty six hours. We have now about 800 wagons to work gathering corn flour, bacon and forage. They got at one farm alone 80 thousand pounds of bacon which had been bought by some Yankee government contractor and on hearing of our approach ran off and left it, so it fell into our hands. Leslie Thompson is in the Ham and Charley Settle are both well and hospital sick. send their kind regards.

I understand that Genl. Magruder is going to try and take Brooklyn. I hope he will succeed. I have not heard from Galveston for a good while and would like to hear from there. I had a letter from Wm Young in which he says that he had his furlough extended sixty days longer. I have heard of the sudden death of G.A. Behrman. Please let me know what has become of Fred Behrman. I have not heard from him since I left home. Dear Sister, I am well and enjoy good health and thank the Lord for my safety. Please give my kind regards to all my friends.

I remain your affectionate brother, William

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Aug 16, 1863 Camp near Fredricksburg Dear Sister,

I take this present opportunity to let you know that I am well and hope these few lines may find you the same. I have just received your welcome letter dated June 21. I was truly glad to hear that you were enjoying good health and hope you will continue so. I am very sorry to hear of the misfortune that happened to Mr. Muller's little daughter. I hope she may soon recover. We have just returned from our campaign into Pennsylvania. It was an active one. We met the Yankees at Gettysburg, Pa., where they were strongly fortified. We attacked them in their strong position but could not succeed in dislodging them and consequently had to fall back. The fight lasted 3 days and was one of the severest ever fought during this war. Our loss was very heavy. That of the enemy was still larger. A great many of our wounded were left in Pa., among them was Charley Settle. He was wounded in the shoulder. Ham has since received a letter from him stating that he was in Washington and was getting along very well. Ham is well and sends his kind regards to you. The following is a list of the killed and wounded in our company: killed, W.H. Porter, I.W. Southwick, I. Waters, Th. Mellhousen. Wounded, I. Brown in leg, W. Taylor in arm, I. Cummings in leg, H. McGar in hand, A.M. Farquer in face, W. Shepperd in hand, W. Wood in leg. Several of those wounded are well and now with the company. Henry Truehart has been to see us a few days ago. He looks well. He says he is going to join Stuart's cavalry. He wants to see service.

Dear Sister, it is very difficult to get letters across the Mississippi River since the fall of Vicksburg. I will try and send this by hand. Everything is quiet along here. I do not think we will have any fight here soon. I am well and thanks be to the Lord for my safety. Fruit is plentiful here, but watermelons sell for ten dollars apiece and very small at that. The sun is hot and I will have to go on drill in a few minutes. Please give my kind regards to all my friends.

Your affectionate brother, William

P.S. Les Thompson is in camp and doing well and sends his kind regards to you all.

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Oct. 26, 1863 Madison Georgia Dear Sister,

I take this present opportunity to let you know how I am getting along. The last letter which I received from you was dated in June. I was very glad to hear that you were well. I will try and send this letter by politeness of Major Dunnwoody, who is here on business for the government and will return to Texas in a few days. Since my last letter there has been quite a change in military affairs. Longstreet's corps which we belong to, has been transferred from General Lee's army to Genl. Bragg's army in Tennessee. We left Port Royal, Va., on the 7 of Sept. and arrived at Bragg's army on the 18 of Sept. just one day before the big fight. Next day we began skirmishing with the enemy until 3 o'clock, when a heavy battle ensued in which I was wounded. A minie went in my knee and struck the bone and glanced off. The battle lasted two days and ended in the routing of the enemy and driving him into his entrenchments in Chattanooga, where he now remains. captured six thousand prisoners and 60 pieces of artillery. The loss to my company was severe. The following is a list of the casualties: Jack Lewis killed, E.C. Crawford died of his wounds, C.H. Kingsley wounded in the arm, I. Pratt in leg, A. Kelso in both legs, I. Murphy in the foot, Wm Leach in leg, P. Gilles in hand, A. Wood in leg, Wm. Sheppard in leg, Irving Nagle in face, A. Brandt in face, D. Elmendorf in foot, F. Schmidt in arm, I. Frolish in arm, Lieut. R.A. Armstrong in arm, Lieut. W.P. Randall taken prisoner, I. Coffey missing, Wm. Robinson in the shoulder,

S. Lasarno in leg, Wm. Schadt in leg, C.C. Crawford was wounded with a piece of shell, he died six days after the Myself and his brother were with him when he died. His loss will be a severe one to his parents. He was one of my mess mates ever since we left Galveston and I regret his loss deeply. Dear Sister, I am now at the house of Col. I.B. Walker in Madison, Ga. Mr. Walker is a very kind and wealthy gentleman. He owns two plantations in Texas and two here. He came to the hospital and took me and several other Texans to his house and says he wants us to stay with him until we get perfectly well. My would is doing very well and I will be able to join my company in a few weeks. Les Thompson was struck with a piece of spent shell but did not break the skin. He was well when last I saw him. Ham Settle was well and not wounded in the last Charley Settle is well and still a prisoner. He fight. was not wounded so some exchanged prisoners report. George Robbensk was wounded and doing well when last heard of. General Hood lost his leg in the last fight. Genl. Jenkins is in command in his place.

Dear Sister, I cannot speak in too high a term of Mr. and Mrs. Walker for their kindness towards me. Mr. Walker is well acquainted in Galveston. He is the father-in-law of W.H. Goddard. I am having quite a fine time and know how to appreciate it just about this time. My wound was very painful, but thank the Lord I am all right now.

I remain, your affectionate brother, William

A.I. Scott of my company was killed by falling off the cars.

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Nov. 14, 1863 Madison, Ga. Dear Sister,

I now take my pen in hand to let you know that I am well and hope you enjoy the same blessing. I am still at the house of Mr. Walker. My wound is well entirely and I will start for my regiment in a few days. Mrs. Walker has provided me with plenty of under clothes and socks. May the Lord bless her for her kindness. Mr. Walker had two sons in the army. One of them was wounded at Gettysburg and had since died. This is the first time that I have been away from my command and the first time that I have ever had a chance to witness and appreciate the feelings of the citizens of old Georgia, and I find them very kind and clever and especially the young ladies.

I have just received a letter from Chas. Kingsley from my company. He was wounded in the battle of Chickamauga and has now lost the use of his arm. He has got a furlough. He says he is going to make his way to Texas. If he does I will send a letter by him. You may possibly get to see him, for he will go either to Galveston or Houston.

I have not heard a word from the Settle boys since I have been wounded. I am anxiously looking for a letter

from you. Please write soon. A great many of the wounded boys have returned to the regiment. I will be there in a few days. Please give my kind regards to all my friends. I remain your affectionate brother, William

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Nov. 22, 1863 Loudon, Penn. Dear Sister,

I drop you these few lines to let you know that I am well and I hope you enjoy the same blessings. I am now on my way to my regiment. I expected to find it at Loudon, I am now but on arriving here I find that they have gone on to Knoxville, which is thirty miles from this place. Longstreet and his corps have been sent to east Tennessee to clean out Burnside. I hope we will succeed. Burnside and his army are now in Knoxville and our troops are within a mile of the town. Continual skirmishing is going on and we expect to fight daily. I am here with Capt. Baldwin and I am awaiting an opportunity to get a ride in one of the wagons to the regiment as I am not able to march as My wound is healed but I have not gotten the entire use of my leg yet. I intend to stay with the regiment while in camp and when on a march I will go with the wagons until I get all right. I am glad to say that I had quite a fine time during my stay at Col. I.B. Walker's in Madison, Ga. I was treated just as if I had been their own son and I shall ever remember them for their kindness. There is some talk here now about the Texas Brigade being furloughed next spring to go to Texas. I hope it is true. I will send this letter by Jas. Nagle who is going home on furlough. Les Thompson is well and with the company. I have not heard from the Settle boys lately. Please give my kind regards to all my friends. Write soon. In haste. I remain, your affectionate brother, William

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#### PERSONNEL RULES FOR EMPLOYEES IN 1872

Office employees will daily sweep floors, and dust all the furniture, shelves, and showcases. Each day fill lamps, clean lamp chimneys, and trim wicks. Wash the windows once a week. Each clerk will bring in a bucket of water and a scuttle of wood for the day's business. This office will open at 7 a.m. and close at 8 p.m., except on the Sabbath on which it will remain closed. Each employee is expected to attend church. Men employees will be given an evening off each week for courting purposes, or two evenings a week if they go regularly to church. After an employee has spent his 13 hours in the office, he should spend the remaining time reading the Bible and other good books. Every employee should lay aside a goodly sum of his earnings for his declining years so that he will not be a burden on the society or his betters. An employee who smokes Spanish cigars, uses liquor in any form or frequents pool and public halls, or gets shaved in a barber shop will give me good reason to suspect his worth, intentions, integrity, and honesty. The employee who has performed his labors faithfully and without fault for five years will be given an increase of five cents per day in his pay, providing profits from the business permit it.

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Friends of Genealogy, Inc. exchanges publications with more than 80 other genealogical and historical organizations. These publications provide excellent information, aiding in research in many areas of our country. They are placed in the Genealogy Collection of the Shreve Memorial Library in Shreveport, Louisiana. Here are a few examples of articles and other information contained in these publications.

1860 LeFLORE COUNTY (OK) AREA CENSUS -- Includes Moshulatubbee District, Choctaw Nation, Indian Territory.

The LeFlore County Heritage, Vol. 17 No 1 (January 1997), Poteau, OK

**EARLY DEEDS OF WOOD CO TX** -- All Wood County Courthouse records were destroyed by fire on 11 Dec 1878. This is a listing of deeds refiled after this date. *Wood County Genealogical Society Newsletter*, Vol. 1997, No 46 (April 1997), Quitman, TX

ST. LANDRY PARISH VOTER REGISTRATION BOOK OF 1898 -- This is a list of registered voters resulting from the "Grandfather Act" of 1898. The list contains name, age, nativity, residence, occupation, father/grandfather's name and residence, and other information.

N'Oubliez Pas, Vol. IV, No 4 (Winter 1996), Opelousas, LA

THE NEWBERRY CONFEDERATE MONUMENT -- The names of the 467 Confederate soldiers who died in the War Between the States are listed on this monument erected in 1880.

Dutch Fork Digest, Vol. XII, No 2 (June 1997), Chapin, SC

JAMES ANDREW SMALL - CONFEDERATE SOLDIER -- This is an account written in 1922 by James Andrew Small of his experiences as a Confederate soldier. He was in the 17th LA Regiment, Company B.

The Natchitoches Genealogist, Vol. XXII, No 1 (April 1997), Natchitoches, LA

**BRADLEY CO (AR) MARRIAGE INDEX** -- Index shows names of groom and bride, their ages, date of marriage, race, book and page; dates range mid 1800s through early 1900s. *Bradley County Roots*, Vol. VI, No 2 (June 1997), Warren, AR

ACADIAN HISTORY -- Several articles provide information on the history of the Acadians, who were driven from their home land (the present Canadian provinces of New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Island, parts of Quebec and the state of Maine) in 1755. Many people in Louisiana are descendants of these Acadians. Kinfolks, Vol. 21, No 2 (1997), Lake Charles, LA

JACKSON CO TENN 1836 TAX LIST -- This abstract contains name, number of acres owned, and the white poll columns; the original list (on microfilm) contains eighteen columns. *The Upper Cumberland Researcher*, Vol. XXII, No 1 (Spring 1997), Cookeville, TN

FAMILY SKETCHES -- This issue contains several family sketches, including Stanley, Monroe, Metcalf, Crittenden, Russell, Pridgen, Baker, and McKinnon *Pea River Trails*, Vol. 22, No 2 (Summer 1997), Enterprise, AL

**DARLINGTON DISTRICT (SC) CSA DESERTERS, 1864-1865** -- Lists the Name, Command, Report Date, and Remarks of deserters reported to En Officer Darlington from Head Quarters.

The Darlington Flag, Vol. 9, No 1 (Winter 1997), Hartsville, SC

FIRST UNITED STATES MARSHALL, DISTRICT OF ALABAMA -- Information on Colonel David Jasper Files, who was appointed by President James Monroe on 13 May 1820. Clarke County Historical Society Quarterly, Vol. 21, No 3 (Winter 1996-97), Jackson, AL

**BRICKYARD CEMETERY** -- This is a transcription of a small cemetery located in Bienville Parish, north of Readhimer near Briarwood.

The Natchitoches Genealogist, Vol. XXII, No 1 (April 1997), Natchitoches, LA

MISSISSIPPI BAPTIST PREACHERS -- Biographical sketches of Baptist preachers in the Tate County, MS area.

Tate Trails, Vol XV, No 1 (March 1997), Senatobia, MS

MEN WOUNDED, CAPTURED, OR KILLED AT FORT FISHER ON 15 JAN 1865 -- This alphabetical list is part of a series of soldiers at the Battle of Fort Fisher.

Clarendon Courier, Vol. 8, No 4 (Winter 1996), Wilmington, NC

**HOPEWELL BAPTIST CHURCH** -- Minutes of the formation of this church in 1880 as well as a roll of members 1880 - 1897.

Texas a.g.o., Vol. XVI, Nos 1&2 (Spring/Summer 1997), Athens, TX

**TEXARKANA CITY DIRECTORY 1899-1900** -- Continuing series contains reprints of pages from the old city directory.

Texarkana USA Quarterly, Vol XXIV, Nos 1&2 (Spring/Summer 1997), Texarkana, TX

MARRIAGE AND DEATH NOTICES FROM THE NORTH CAROLINA ARGUS 1848 - 1861 -- The notices were of marriages and deaths from many areas of NC; this listing contains only those in Union County, NC.

Carolinas Genealogical Society Bulletin, Vol. XXXIII, No 4 (Spring 1997), Monroe, NC

FINAL RECORDS 1846 -- Abstracts of estates in the court records of DeSoto Co, MS DeSoto Descendants, Vol. 15, No 2 (May 1997), Hernando, MS

THE GANN FAMILY -- Several articles provide information on the Gann family in Cobb County, GA and Saline County, AR. The Gann family settled about 1786 in Wilkes County, GA, and had previously lived in North Carolina and Frederick County, VA. Family Tree Quarterly, Vol. 7, No 1 (March 1997), Marietta, GA

#### RED RIVER PARISH SUCCESSION RECORD INDEX

This is a transcription of the Red River Parish, LA, Succession Record Index, Volume A - O, for the years 1871 - 1958. The succession records were filed in the court house in Coushatta, LA. This series began in First Quarter, 1996 (Vol. VIII, No. 1) issue of *THE JOURNAL*.

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## **QUERIES**

#### **McCONATHY**

Seeking information on my 2nd Great-Grandfather, Randolph McCONATHY, and/or his family, of Bienville Parish, LA. He lived in Bienville in the mid 1800s. Kevin McConathy, c/o Louisiana Roots, P. O. Box 383, Marksville, LA 71351

E-mail: decuir@popalex1.linknet.net

#### **Dutch Fork Slaves**

DeLoris Fellers has been compiling a list of slaves from Dutch Fork (SC) wills and estates. If you have any of these in your collections and would like to share, please mail a copy to her.

DeLoris Strom Fellers, 203 Range View Circle, Greenville, SC 29617-3151

#### **BUSH, DENNIS**

Mary P. (Maiden Name Unknown) was born May 1845 in AL. She married (1) Mr. DENNIS and had two children, William James DENNIS (1868 - 1923) and Rena/Lena. She married (2) Moses E. BUSH 5 Nov 1893 in Bossier Parish, LA. Moses died about 1898/99. The last census on which Mary is found is 1900 Rusk Co, TX, visiting her son William and his (2) wife Emma. Any information will be appreciated. Carolyn C. Bell, 3133 Windsor Road, Carrollton, TX 75007

#### BASS, DENNIS, HEATH

William James DENNIS (son of Mary P. above) married (1) Bulah C. BASS 27 Dec 1886 in Bossier Parish, LA and was divorced 1898 in Rusk Co, TX. He married (2) Emma Cora HEATH 17 July 1898 in Rusk Co, TX. Family group sheets for both of these families are on the following two pages. Mrs. Bell would like to correspond with descendants of the DENNIS children of William's first marriage. They were living in Bossier Parish 1900 - 1920 around Rocky Mount and Plain Dealing. Some of his children are buried at Pleasant Hill Cemetery in Plain Dealing.

Carolyn C. Bell, 3133 Windsor Road, Carrollton, TX 75007

#### THOMPSON, STRONG

Seeking descendants of Cyrus B. THOMPSON, in Western Division of 1850 Bienville Parish LA census, page 287, #551. Is he the Cyrus B. THOMPSON born in Christian Co KY, son of John THOMPSON, Jr. and Jane Goodin STRONG? An 1868 letter from his aunt, Elizabeth WILSON (page 258, #171 of same census) mentions that Cyrus B. lived in the state of TX and had died away from home on a trading expedition, and that Cyrus's brother, James THOMPSON, was then living in Bienville Parish. Cyrus's father's probate record (in 1833) stated that Cyrus was a resident of LA.

Betty R. Darnell, 204 Hartford Drive, Mt. Washington, KY 40047

To know where I come from is one of the greatest longings of the human heart. More than genealogical data, we seek in the lives of those who went before us the meaning of our lives.

......Ardis Whitman

Husband: William James DENNIS

Born: Feb 1868

in: Plain Dealing, Bossier Parish, LA

Married: 27 Dec 1886

in: Bossier Parish, LA

Died: 26 Jan 1923

in: New Salem Cemetery, Rusk Co, TX

Father:

Mother: Mary P. (DENNIS) (BUSH)

Other Spouses: Emma Cora HEATH

Wife: Bulah C. BASS

Born: Jul 1867

in: Alabama

Died:

in:

Father: D. E. BASS Mother: Ione

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Other Spouses:

	CHILDREN	
1	Name: Ida M. DENNIS Born: Jun 1888	in: Bossier Parish, LA
F	Married: Died: Spouse: Arthur M. BURKS	in: in:
2	Name: Jennie L. DENNIS Born: 9 Feb 1890	in: Bossier Parish, LA
F	Married: Died: 14 Jul 1970 Spouse: Ira A. GLEASON	in: Northwest LA
3	Name: Lena Roberta DENNIS Born: Nov 1891	in: Bossier Parish, LA
F	Married: Died: Spouse: Frank ARLEDGE	in: in:
4	Name: George Monroe DENNIS	in Desire Desire I A
M	Born: 27 Aug 1893 Married: Died: 16 Jul 1942 Spouse: Lucille SPEARS	in: Bossier Parish, LA in: in: Northwest LA

#### Notes:

William James DENNIS and Bulah C. BASS were divorced 8 Jul 1898, Rusk Co, TX.

He was a member of the New Salem (TX) Masonic Lodge #87 1906-1923.

Places of Residence: Webster Parish, LA, Bossier Parish, LA, Cherokee Co, TX,

Rusk Co, TX, Nacogdoches Co, TX.

Sources:

Bossier Parish, LA Census Records

Birth Records, Rusk Co, TX

1880, 1900, 1910, 1920

Marriage Records, Bossier Parish, LA

New Salem Cemetery, Rusk Co, TX

Masonic Records, Waco, TX

NW LA Tombstone Inscriptions, J P Frazier

Carolyn C. Bell, 3133 Windsor Road, Carrollton, TX 75007

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Father:

Mother: Mary P. (DENNIS) (BUSH)
Other Spouses: Bulah C. BASS

Wife: Emma Cora HEATH

Born: 19 Mar 1882 in: Rusk Co, TX

Died: 12 May 1918 in: New Salem Cemetery, Rusk Co, TX

Father: Burrell W. HEATH Mother: Louisa HOGGARD

Other Spouses:

	CHILDREN		
1 M	Name: Homer H. DENNIS Born: 26 May 1899 Married: 10 Dec 1918 Died: 22 Nov 1983 Spouse: Laura BAILEY	in: Rusk Co, TX in: Rusk Co, TX in: Port Arthur, TX	
2	Name: William Jackson "Jack" Born: 10 Apr 1902	DENNIS in: Rusk Co, TX	
M	Married: Died: Spouse: Edna DICKEY	in: Jacksonville, TX in:	
3	Name: Infant (?) DENNIS Born: Aft 1902	in	
F	Married: Died: Spouse:	in: in:	
4	Name: Opal Hart DENNIS Born: 7 Apr 1906	in: New Salem, Rusk Co, TX	
F	Married: 19 Nov 1922 Died: 13 Jun 1959 Spouse: Sidney Jean BERGERG	in: Rusk Co, TX in: Houston, TX	
5	Name: James Elmer "Bill" DE		
M	Born: 20 Jan 1908 Married: Died: 1958	in: Rusk Co, TX in: in:	

Sources:

Masonic Records

Family Records 1900 Census Records, Rusk Co, TX New Salem Cemetery, Rusk Co, TX

Spouse: Inez PAXTON

Birth Records, Rusk Co, TX
Marriage Records, Rusk Co, TX
Cherokee Co, TX Courthouse Records

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#### NANCY COX & LEWIS HENDERSON

By: Sherry GRESHAM GRITZBAUGH, 4507 Verone Street, Bellaire, TX 77401

The first record that I have been able to find of Nancy COX and Lewis HENDERSON was when they married in Clarke County, AL on 6 Apr 1817 at the home of her father, Thomas COX. According to Clarke County records, the last will of Thomas COX was proved on or about 10 Feb 1821. I glean from the record that his wife was Polly, whose maiden name is unknown to me. Heirs listed were: Elizabeth LOWERY, Leah LOWERY, Nancy HENDERSON, Lewis COX, Richmond COX, Rachel COX, Mary COX, Rebecca COX, Barbary COX, Thomas COX, Susan GRAHAM COX, and Grace GRIFFIN COX.

There is a marriage record on file for Lewis COX to Mary CHAPMAN on 24 Jul 1822 in Clarke County, AL. There is a marriage record on file for Richmond COX to Nancy FORD on 16 Oct 1823, also in Clarke County. I will continue to search for the records on the other children of Thomas COX. It is unknown to me who the parents and family of Lewis HENDERSON were.

#### Union Parish, LA Jury Minutes:

- 4 Sep 1843: Soloman FEAZLE, W. E. FULLER, Lewis HENDERSON, J. C. MAYES, Joel HART, Eli HART, and George FEAZLE were appointed commissioners to lay out a direct route from Farmerville to Mr. LONG's "settlement" in Claiborne Parish, LA to intersect the Claiborne line at the corner between Sections 6 & 7, Twp. 21, Range 3W.
- 3 Jun 1845: John BOATRIGHT was appointed overseer on the Farmerville-Claiborne Road from the Corney Bayou to Lick Branch, having the hands of Lewis HENDERSON, Willis AUSTIN, James AUSTIN, and Widow AUSTIN. Moses PEARSON, Soloman FEAZLE, and Lewis HENDERSON were appointed commissioners from Election District for the year 1846.
- 16 Dec 1845: Jesse FULLER, J. C. MAYES, and Lewis HENDERSON were appointed election commissioners for elections, to be held at Jesse F. FULLER's residence.
- 14 Jul 1846: John BOATRIGHT was appointed overseer on the Farmerville-Claiborne Road from the Cornie Bayou to Lick Branch, having the hands of Lewis HENDERSON and sons, Joel CORNET, Widow AUSTIN and James AUSTIN, Thos. PEARSON, William R. JOHNSON, and Soloman FEAZLE.

The Union Parish, LA census records indicate that Lewis HENDERSON was born in SC about 1797. I have also found his name as Louis HENDERSON. I am unable to say which is the correct spelling. The census records indicate that Nancy COX HENDERSON was born about 1799 in GA.

In 1867, Louis HENDERSON was postmaster at Shiloh in Union Parish, LA.

On 18 Jan 1871 in Union Parish, LA, Louis HENDERSON married Mrs. Nancy HODGE as his second wife. There were no known children born of this union. After his death, she remarried and was known as Nancy WILSON.

It is unknown to me how many children were born to Nancy COX and Louis HENDERSON or the correct order of birth. Perhaps a reader will help me fill in the gaps.

LEWIS HENDERSON, Jr. was born about 1822 and died of consumption Mar 1860 in Union Parish, LA. He married Jane FEAZEL, daughter of Christiana FERGUSON and John O. FEAZEL. By June of 1860, Jane FEAZEL HENDERSON had also died, leaving three minor children: Nancy, Eli, and David HENDERSON. Nancy HENDERSON married William P. KYLE and died in 1918 in Union Parish, LA. Eli HENDERSON was living in Ellis County, TX in 1880 in the home of his Uncle Dewitt FEAZEL. David HENDERSON was born about 1857 and died around 1877.

MARY HENDERSON was born about 1823 in AL. She became the third wife of David REDDEN, who was born about 1805 in SC. He had previously married Rachel LINDSEY and Jane GLASS. Rachel was the mother of Martha, Milla, Nancy, and George REDDEN. Jane was the mother of James, Margaret, and Thomas REDDEN. Mary HENDERSON and David REDDEN were the parents of:

- John M. REDDEN was born about 1861 and died around 1920. He married Delaware BAGWELL in Union Parish, LA.
- David Frank REDDEN, Jr. (Twin to Lewis J. REDDEN) was born about 1855. He
  was twice married, first to Ellen BAGWELL; after her death, he married Lou A.
  BUCKALEW.
- Lewis J. REDDEN (Twin to David Frank, Jr.) died in 1912. He first married Bonnie BAGWELL. After her death he married Lucinda BAGWELL
- Sophie REDDEN was born about 1858. She married Charlie BAGWELL.

I find it interesting that the BAGWELL family also migrated to Union Parish, LA during the 1840s from the state of AL. Many descendants of Mary HENDERSON REDDEN still live and own land in Union Parish, LA today.

LOUISA HENDERSON was born about 1824 in AL. About 1843 she married Willis AUSTIN in Union Parish, LA, son of Joannah FERGUSON and Richard AUSTIN. It appears from court documents that Louisa had died before her father's estate was settled in 1878. Her heirs were living in TX. I glean her children to have been:

- Melvina AUSTIN born about 1844 in LA.
- Talitha AUSTIN born about 1846 in LA.
- Missouri Ann AUSTIN born about 1849 and died about 1880. She married Gilbert Layfayette "Fate" FEAZEL, son of Mary Ann Clarissa WISE and Michael FEAZEL. They were the parents of four children: Francis Eugene, Sarah Ann, Jesse Willis, and Michael Lafayette "Mike" FEAZEL.
- Almeda AUSTIN was born about 1852. She married Robert G. STERLING about 1871 in Union Parish, LA.
- Allen AUSTIN was born about 1854 in LA.
- Frank AUSTIN was born about 1857 in LA.
- Richard AUSTIN was born about 1859.

After Louisa HENDERSON died between 1860 and 1867, Willis AUSTIN remarried on 6 Apr 1867 to Alice LOWE in Union Parish, LA.

FLORA ISABELLA HENDERSON, my great grandmother, was born about 1826 in AL. She was twice married. Her first marriage was to Lewis FEAZEL, born about 1825 in Union Parish, LA, the eldest son of Christiana FERGUSON and John O. FEAZEL. Great Grandfather Lewis FEAZEL died 20 Mar 1864, leaving a widow and seven minor children and a considerable estate consisting of real and personal property (Suc. Book "A-1" page 498-499, dated 24 Mar 1864 pet. for inventory). Flora died 29 May 1869 in Union Parish, LA. She had remarried to William K. CARR about 10 Apr 1868; no children were born of that union.

It is sad to be told that two of the first marriage books disappeared from the Union Parish, LA court house years ago, thus I have been unable to locate the marriage records of Flora and Lewis FEAZEL. There was an old bible, but a descendant needed to obtain his proof of birth, tearing the record pages out of the bible to be mailed to New Orleans. New Orleans vital records did not retain a copy for their files. Perhaps a reader can furnish the missing dates.

I glean from the census and probate records that Flora and Lewis were the parents of:

- · Jane FEAZEL was born about 1848 and died without ever having been married.
- John FEAZEL was born about 1850 and died without ever having been married.
- A. I. "Sam" FEAZEL was born about 1851. He was reputed to have married Callie or Sallie LEGGETT, daughter of Samuel LEGGETT. He was not an heir when his grandfather John O. FEAZEL died in 1879. His widow was listed in the 1880 census as a widow living in her father's home. There were no known children born to this union.
- Mary Ann "Mollie" FEAZEL was born about 1853 in LA and died around 1914. She
  was married to Joseph SHAW, Jr., son of Caroline LYNN and Joseph SHAW, Sr. Joe
  Jr. was killed while turkey hunting in 1897, leaving eight children: James Alexander,
  Alice, Eula Lee, Aggie, Vice Eugene, Martha, A. J., and Jodie SHAW.
- Nancy FEAZEL was born in 1853 and died in 1905. She was married to Joseph M. SUTTON who died in 1894. She was listed in the 1900 census as a widow, owned a farm, and had five children: John Willie, Jessie Eugene, Joseph M. Jr., Gussie, and Charles.
- Catherine (or Christiana) FEAZEL was born about 1856. She was not an heir when her parents died.
- William FEAZEL was born about 1858 and was not an heir when his parents died.
- Benjamin McCullough "Ben" FEAZEL was born about 1861 and died in 1927, never having been married.
- Rebecca Belmira FEAZEL, my grandmother, was born 9 Jan 1863 in Union Parish, LA and was known as "Belle" FEAZEL. She was twice married and died in Union Parish, LA. Her first marriage ended in divorce after the birth of a daughter who died at the age of four years. She wed Marcelleous Allen GRESHAM, son of Sarah HAMMACK and William Thornton GRESHAM. He was born in AL 23 May 1866 and died in Union Parish, LA in 1953. Belle and M. Allen GRESHAM were the parents of eight children: Tiny Belle, Lillie Eugene, Parker Beasley, Alice, Ben Allen, William Thornton, Cortez Newton "Jake," and Ruby Cecil.

Ben Allen GRESHAM was my father. He married Ressie BAGWELL, daughter of Mattie ANDERSON and Latress Cleva BAGWELL. My parents had three daughters: Bennie Jean, Royce Gale, and Sherry Larue, the writer of this sketch. I am the wife of James Marstan "Jim" GRITZBAUGH, son of Ruth Margaret TROLLER and Merritt Stanley GRITZBAUGH of Rockford, IL. We are the parents of two daughters, Mrs. Donna MOFFETT and Mrs. Dana ANDRY. We have three grandchildren: Cade MOFFETT, Kaitlyn ANDRY, and Kelsey ANDRY.

 Amanda Frances FEAZEL was born in 1864 after her father's death. Frances died about 1900, having been married to Luke R. REA, son of Margaret EDWARDS and Theopholiust H. REA/RAY. The REA/RAY family also migrated to LA from AL. Their children were: Josie, Luke, Harrison, Annie, Henry, and Nettie.

JESSE HENDERSON was deceased by 1878 when his father's will was probated. He left heirs in TX whose names are not known to me. There is a marriage record in Union Parish, LA dated 2 Jun 1844 for Jesse HENDERSON and July Ann HART.

NANCY HENDERSON was born about 1834 in AL. She married Mr. AUSTIN, whose given name is unknown to me. They left minor heirs who were living in TX in 1878. I have been unable to obtain the names of her children.

REBECCA HENDERSON was born about 1837 in AL and died about 1874 in Union Parish, LA. She was married to Benjamin Franklin FEAZEL, son of Mary Ann Clarissa WISE and Michael FEAZEL. They were know to be the parents of two children: Cisley P. and Missouri N. Cisley FEAZEL married William P. JOHNSON. They are reputed to have migrated to OK where they lived and died. After Rebecca HENDERSON died, Benjamin Franklin FEAZEL remarried to Mrs. Amanda FITSALLIE McCLAIN TIDWELL.

MARION HENDERSON was a resident of TX in 1878. I have wondered if he was the same child as James HENDERSON who was living with Nancy COX and Lewis HENDERSON in the 1850 Union Parish, LA census.

From what I have been able to glean from the probate of Nancy COX and Lewis HENDERSON, I gather that Lewis HENDERSON died on 8 Jul 1874 in Union Parish, LA. He married Mrs. Nancy HODGE 18 Jan 1870 or 1871. She had married James P. WILSON on 28 Mar 1879. She and Mr. WILSON had separated before 5 May 1886 when she deeded him 47 acres of land for money he had loaned her. Mr. WILSON died about 1917. In the 1900 Union Parish, LA census, Nancy WILSON was born in Aug 1831 and had ten children. Only two were living: David HODGE (born about 1846) and J. C. HODGE (born about 1859).

Upon request I will be happy to share any information in my files. Corrections and additions to this sketch would be greatly appreciated.

#### OSBORNE FUNERAL HOME RECORDS - INDEX

#### Book IV -- December 1, 1915 to May 15, 1917

This is an index of the burial records of the Osborne Funeral Home in Shreveport, LA. The information is taken from microfilmed copies of the individual record sheets; these sheets contain a wealth of information including name, date of death, residence, occupation, age, physician, funeral data, cemetery, clergyman, cause of death, parents, marital status, etc. These records were filmed by members of Friends of Genealogy, Inc. and copies of the microfilm are located in the Shreve Memorial Library Genealogy Collection, Shreveport, LA and in the Allen County Library, Fort Wayne, IN. (Continued from Vol. IX, No 2)

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The four stages of man are:

Infancy, Childhood, Adolescense, and Obsolescense

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## The USGenWeb Project http://www.USGenWeb.com

The USGenWeb concept was first initiated by Jeff Murphy, who inspired the KYGenWeb project which was the pilot effort. It has grown dramatically since its inception in June 1996, all due to hundreds (if not thousands) of volunteer genealogists. The USGenWeb project has rapidly become the number one spot for genealogy on the WWW.

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On the USGenWeb home page you will find various hyperlinks to other pages of this project. A hyperlink can be a picture, a 3-D image or colored text usually underlined with the URL address of another page embedded within. A colorful map of the United States provides a link to all 50 states. Simply point your mouse at the state of your choice, click and you'll be in say, *Tennessee Genealogy*.



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A medley of other hyperlinks exist within each state page that will lead to

county pages, upcoming major genealogy events, research help, maps and lists of related links. Many county pages have lists of volunteers who will do FREE lookups from their own private reference books. Each state home page and each county home page are personalized and offer a unique selection of material depending upon the individual who has volunteered to maintain that page.

A new format has recently been added that makes it very easy to reach any state page. Simply enter:

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where xx is the abbreviation for your state. It's that easy. Even though the various state pages are scattered on servers all over the country, you can reach them easily with one easy to remember address.

The USGenWeb home page has also added two new and important hyperlinks which lead to the Archives and the FTP Site where you will find State

Archives Table of Contents, State FTP Archives and the Manger of those sites. FTP stands for File Transfer Protocol, a protocol used to provide file transfers across a wide variety of systems. Again quoting from this page, "The USGenWeb Archive was developed to present actual transcriptions of public domain records on the Internet. This huge undertaking is the cooperative effort of the either have electronically formatted files on census records,

volunteers who either have electronically formatted files on census records, marriage bonds, wills, and other public documents, or are willing to transcribe this information to contribute." The FTP site is where you can actually view the records or download them if you so desire. As an example, volunteers in Arkansas and Louisiana have added the original land grant records, which can be searched with the find function found on the menu of most web browsers.

In addition to the United States site, the World Genealogy Web Project was also created where you can find hyperlinks to home pages from Afghanistan to Zimbabwe. A click on say Germany will bring you to *Welcome to Germany Genealogy*. Again many hyperlinks are found here to direct you to the area of your interest. Although most pages on the World Genealogy Project still need to be adopted, many of the European countries have established coordinators.

This project is still in its infancy so there is much yet to come.

Not all county pages have volunteers and some are not maintained as well as others. We welcome the effort, though, of all the people who have volunteered to support this project and look forward to further expansion of this site

#### SHREVEPORT TIMES OBITUARIES

FEBRUARY, 1883 - DECEMBER 31, 1883

Obituaries in the early newspapers were limited and placed in various locations in the copy. Therefore, it is most difficult to locate this data. Furthermore, very seldom were family members mentioned. Frequently, much more emphasis was placed on obituaries from out of the city than local residents. The following obituaries begins a series of 1880s and 1890s obituaries which have been extracted from the *Shreveport Daily Times*, Shreveport, Louisiana. [Note that if the date of death is listed as *about* - date of newspaper is given.] The microfilm is located on the third floor of the Shreve Memorial Library, Genealogy Department, Shreveport, Louisiana. This series began in Vol. IX, No. 2.

Lysle, Mrs. Rowena Died 1 Feb 1883, Fort Worth TX. Age 28 years, 4 months, 19 days. Married to J. M. D. Lysle. Parents J. B. and Margaret M. Hursey. [Times 8 Feb 1883]

Cook, Leonard Resident of Shreveport, died Wednesday 21 Feb 1883 at 7 p.m. Age 49 years, 8 months. Services held at family residence, corner Louisiana and Crockett Streets, 22 Feb 1883 at 3 p.m. [Times 22 Feb 1883]

Fair, Mrs. Kittie B. Died 22 Feb 1883 at the residence of Judge John W. Jones. She was the third daughter of Judge James I. Weems. [Times 23 Feb 1883]

Jacobs, Cora E. Died 30 Jan 1883 at 10 a.m. in Minden, LA. Age 2 years, 10 months, 14 days. She was the daughter of W. B. and Ada S. Jacobs. [Times Feb. 1883]

Moncure, Landon C. Died 24 Feb 1883, age 17. He was the son of Judge J. C. Moncure. Services held at St. Marks Church, 25 Feb 1883, at 3 o'clock. [Times 25 Feb 1883]

Levy, Samuel Died Sunday at 4 a.m. 4 Mar 1883 in Shreveport. Age 48. Services held at family residence, Sunday 4 Mar 1883 at 3 p.m. [Times 6 Mar 1883]

Aikin, Alexander Jr. Born 25 Mar 1857, died 6 Jan 1883 in Harrison Ct., TX; age 25 years 9 months, 11 days. He married Bettie Mooring 25 Sept 1879. "Died of black jaundice, leaving mother and two little ones."

Steward, Mrs. Mary
Oied Saturday 10 Mar 1883, Jewella, Caddo Parish. Age 49. Wife
Of M. F. T. Steward.

[Times 13 Mar 1883]

Herring, Miss Bettie Died Saturday, 17 Mar 1883 at the residence of I. W. Pickens, her brother-in-law's home in Summer Grove. [Times 18 Mar 1883]

Houser, P. C. Died Saturday 17 Mar 1883 in Shreveport. Member of the city council and a fireman. Services held at family residence, Sunday evening at 4 p.m.

[Times 18 Mar 1883]

Taber, Mrs. Regina Mullen Died Tuesday morning at 1:30, 20 Mar 1883. She was the wife of John W. Taber. Left several children [unnamed] [Times 21 Mar 1883]

Stacey, Mr. A. J. Died Tuesday, 21 Mar 1883 at his plantation on the river below Shreveport. He was a grocery and commission merchant. Leaves wife and one son. His wife is the sister of Mrs. John Caldwell. [Times 21 Mar 1883]

Scott, Mrs. W. T. Died Sunday morning in New York City. She was the wife of Colonel Scott and a resident of Scottsville, Harrison Ct., TX. She leaves a daughter, Mrs. Austin. Mrs. Scott was in New York for medical treatment. A telegram came Monday announcing her death on Sunday.

[Times 29 Mar 1883]

**Zeigler, Miss Georgia** Died 11 June 1883 at age 22, in Abbeville, South Carolina. She was the brother of S. J. Zeigler of this city. [Times 2 June 1883]

Prather, Mrs. Annie Died 8 June 1883 in Benton, Bossier Parish, LA. She was the wife of W. R. Prather and leaves one child. [Times 16 June 1883]

Enright, James L. Died Wednesday, 20 June 1883, at 7:15 o'clock. Age 1 year, 4 months, 23 days. Services held at the family residence, 21 June 1883 at 10 o'clock. He was the son of James T. and Nannie Enright. [Times 21 June 1883]

Thurmond, Miss Litha Cleveland Born 13 Feb 1868 in Shreveport, LA and died 30 June 1883, in Shreveport. Daughter of O. G. and Rebecca S. Thurmond. Services held at Baptist Church 1 July 1883 at 5 o'clock. [Times 1 July 1883]

Gilmer, Thomas M. Age 68. Died 30 June 1883 in Shreveport at her residence. He was born on the line of Kentucky and Tennessee. He married Miss Louisa L. Saunders in 1848. She was a native of Cooke County, Arkansas. Services conducted by the Rev. Dr. Dalzell. Survivors included: Daughters: Mrs. W. H. Sebastian of Springridge, MS; Mrs. Dr. J. C. Calhoun of Greenwood, LA; Mrs. Wimberk Boney of Bossier Parish; Mrs. R. C. McRady of Shreveport; Mrs. R. C. Stinson of Bossier; one single daughter. [Times 1 July 1883]

Ford, Lena Died 1 July 1883 in Stonewall, LA. Age 16 months, 2 days. She was the daughter of E. L. and Nellie Ford and the only child of the parents. [Times 5 July 1883]

Kennedy, Mrs. Mattie Gilmer Died Sunday 8 July 1883 in Cottage Hill, Bossier Parish, LA at age 47. She was the daughter of James Gilmer, deceased. James Gilmer came to Bossier Parish from Alabama as a widower over 40 years ago. He had three daughters. Later he married Mrs. Pauline Pickett. In 1863, Mattie Gilmer married Col. P. V. O'Neil, also of Bossier City who died in 1870 leaving her with four children - three girls and one boy. The oldest was 19 and the youngest was 13. A few years after Col. O'Neil died, she married P. J. Kennedy who died in 1879, leaving her a widow for the second time. Survivors include a son and two daughers, Mrs. Whit Vance and Mrs. R. Y. Graves. Services held at the Catholic Church, Tuesday, 10 July 1883.

Foy, George Died 7 July 1883 of black jaundice at the family residence on the Red River below Shreveport. Age 8 years, 2 months, and 12 days. He was the son of Henry H. and Cornelia Foy. [Times 11 July 1883]

Wells, Mrs. A. S. A former resident of Shreveport, she died 11 July 1883 in Bellevue, Bossier Parish, LA. She was 67 years old. Services held at the home of her daughter, Mrs. E. G. Hinkle at 10 o'clock. [Times 13 July 1883]

Kirk, Nicholsa Sewall Daughter of J. Benjamin and E. Leo Kirk, died Friday 11 July 1883, age 16 months 11 days. Residence Gum Springs, Bossier Parish, LA. [Times 24 July 1883]

Whitworth, Joseph Dickson Died at age 61 near Hempstead, Texas. He was a veteran of the lost cause and a member of Capt. Robson's 25th LA Volunteers. He was also a member of Jackson Lodge #45 F.A.M. of Greenwood, LA. [Times 24 July 1883]

Jordan, Mrs. Mary B. Wife of W. W. Jordan, died 20 Aug 1883 at 7:30 p.m., age 18. Services at the family residence on Louisiana Street, near corner of Texas, Tuesday, 21 Aug 1883 at 6 o'clock. [Times 21 Aug 1883]

Holmes, Benjamin E. "It is our painful duty this morning to announce the death of our young friend, Benjamin E. Holmes. He has recently been conducting a small store on the Stacey plantation below here on the river. Last Saturday morning he was brought up in a buggy to his brother's and it was clearly evident that he was desperately ill with that terrible disease, swamp fever. Dr. Ford was immediately summoned, who with his accustomed zeal and promptness in such cases, exhausted all his medical skill, assisted yesterday by Dr. Billus, but the attack was too severe to overcome. He leaves three brothers and three sisters to lament his untimely death."

He was the son of John and Temperance Holmes, age 22 years and 9 months. Services at the home of his brother, B. A. Holmes, on Jordan Street in Fairfield, Wednesday, 22 Aug 1883 at 5:30 p.m. [Times 22 Aug 1883]

Windham, Elder Allen
Rocky Mount.

Died 16 Aug 1883 at age 83 at his old home in Bossier Parish near
[Times 23 Aug 1883]

Ryland, Dr. R. H. "Our community was startled this morning at the announcement of the sudden death of our esteemed fellow citizen Dr. R. H. Ryland while superintending some repairs on his gin house. He missed his footing and fell several feet and was instantly killed. Dr. Ryland was a native of Virginia, but for the past 30 years has been a resident of West Feliciana Parish. He has been prominent in public life as a legislator, member of the board of supervisors of the University of Louisiana and was a zealous devotee of education and advancement of southern agriculture. The medical profession loses a brilliant member and our parish [West Feliciana] will mourn the loss of one of her best citizens. Dr. Ryland will be buried tomorrow in the family cemetery from the residence of his brother-in-law, Dr. Jos. S. Wade. [Copied from a Bayou Sara special to the Times Democrat]

Bell, Robert A former of this city, he was killed in an explosion or fire in a machine shop in St. Louis. He was a member of Louisiana Lodge No. 1, and the Improved Order of Red Men. He leaves a wife and several small children. [Times 8 Sept 1883]

Moore, Margaret Infant daughter of P. W. H. and Margaret Cummings Moore, aged 9 months and 23 days. Died 12 Sept 1883 at 1 o'clock in this city. [Times 13 Sept 1883]

Price, Mr. S. N. "A few days ago, Mr. S. N. Price, living near Fillmore, Bossier Parish, left for Monroe in a buggy and took sick on the road. Monday evening he stopped at the residence of Mr. W. W. Patrick, fourteen miles from Monroe and died within an hour afterward."

[Times 20 Sept 1883]

Alston, Miss Ella Died in Shreveport, Thursday 20 Sept 1883 at 12 o'clock. She was 29 years of age. Service from the old family residence on Caddo Street - forenoon at 10 o'clock.

[Times 20 Sept 1883]

Nauphlet, Virginia Infant daughter of Henry C. and Anna H. Duty Nauphlet, died 9 Sept 1883, aged four months 29 days. She was the only child. Residence near Walnut Hill, Ark.

[Times 22 Sept 1883]

Martin, E. A. Died Sunday night 23 Sept 1883 at age 58. He was a well-known river pilot and had been in the Shreveport area for the past 10 or 12 years. Bom Portland, Maine. Survivors include two sisters in Maine. He was buried at the city cemetery [Oakland] with services conducted by the Improved Order of the Red Men. [Times 25 Sept 1883]

Pitts, Ann Died Saturday, 28 July 1883 at age 78. Survivors include a son, R. D. Pitts on Ferry Lake and two granddaughters of Shreveport. [Times 1 Aug 1883]

Boney, Clifford Ashton Died 4 Aug 1883 of diptheria at the residence of Mr. R. F. Walters near Spring Ridge. He was four years old and the only child of Richard C. and Kate A. Boney. Services held at the family residence on Travis between Market and Spring Streets Sunday 5 Aug 1883 at 9 o'clock. [Times 5 Aug 1883]

Calhoun, Dr. Tennent L. Born in 1854 in Abbeyville, S. C., and died at 12 o'clock Friday 3 Aug 1883 in Shreveport, LA at age 29. He came to Shreveport in December 1882. A graduate of medicine in Atlanta, GA in 1881 and was a grand nephew of South Carolina's great statesman, John C. Calhoun. Death was caused by a "malarial-type" fever. Episcopalian services at the city cemetery [Oakland] conducted by Rev. Dr. Dalzell. Survivors include aged mother, two brothers, and several sisters.

Poland, Annie Died Saturday 11 Aug 1883 at 2 p. m. in Shreveport. She was the nine-year-old daughter of Mrs. Thomas Poland. Services conducted at the residence of C. R. Griswold, corner of Market and Franklin Streets, 12 Aug 1883 at 5 p.m. [Times 12 Aug 1883]

Alto, Sarah Daughter of Mrs. D. Cooper, died 16 Aug 1883 in Alto, TX. Remains arrived by train 17 Aug 1883 and were interred in the Jewish cemetery at 6 p.m. [Times 18 Aug 1883]

McCutchen, Salome Era Daughter of Geo. E. and Lula A. McCutchen, died on 14 Aug 1883 near Rose Hill, Caddo Parish, LA. [Times 19 Aug 1883]

Smith, Fannie Belle Age 1 year, 6 months - Died Sunday, 12 Aug 1883, in Longview, TX. Son of Henry and Sammie Bruner Smith. Burial at city cemetery [Oakland] [Times 14 Aug 1883]

Parry, Arthur Died at the residence of John R. Jones at 8 o'clock 3 Oct 1883. He was 21 years old. Born in Burlington, LA. Services from the residence of Mr. Jones on Fannin Street 4 Oct 1883 at 4 o'clock. [Times 4 Oct 1883]

Gilmer, Virginia Elizabeth Infant daughter of W. L. Gilmer, died 9 Aug 1883, age 1 year and 1 week. [Times 12 Oct 1883]

Moss, Eulalie[?] Catherine Infant daughter of T. B. and S. S. Moss, died 17 Oct 1883 at the Bates place on the Red River, Caddo Parish. Age two months and four days. [Times 23 Oct 1883]

Holland, Major Dick F. Age 51. Died in Shreveport at 9:30 p.m. Wednesday, 24 Oct 1883. Services from the family residence on Jordan Street Thursday, 25 Oct 1883 at 3 o'clock.

[Times 25 Oct 1883]

**Thompson, Major Joseph B.** Age 77 years and resident of Caddo parish for 45 years. Died at his homeplace near Mooringsport suddenly Monday, 22 Oct 1883. [Times 26 Oct 1883]

Ford, J. W. S. Infant son of John and Ellen Ford, age nine months and 21 days. Died in Shreveport, Friday, 26 Oct 1883. Services at the residence of his parents, corner of Caddo and Commerce Streets. Interment at Summer Grove. [Times 27 Oct 1883]

**Browning, William D.** Died at age 72 in Atlanta, Texas. He was an old time citizen of Caddo parish, living in the Black Bayou vicinity for some 45 years. [Times 28 Oct 1883]

Dorian, Charles Funeral 2 Nov 1883, Shreveport, Louisiana. He was member of Germania Hook and Ladder Company No. 2 and the Osceola Tribe of the Improved Order of Red Men. [Times 3 Nov 1883]

Lewis, Miss Mattie Kleine Died in Shreveport, Saturday morning, 3 Nov 1883. Age 27 years. Born in Shreveport 12 July 1856 and was the only child of Thomas C. and Minerva Lewis. [Editor's note: Lewis was an early druggist in Shreveport- Minerva died in 1885- family is buried in Oakland Cemetery known as City Cemetery in the 1880s]. [Times 6 Nov 1883]

Allen, S. E. Former resident of Shreveport, died in Mansfield, Louisiana on the morning of 5 Nov 1883. He was a tailor by trade, but had been paralyzed for three years. He leaves a widow and four children. [Times 7 Nov 1883]

Gilliland, Willie B. Died Monday 12 Nov 1883 at 9 o'clock p.m. He was the son of John H. and Josephine R. Gilliland. Age 11 years 7 months and 12 days. He died of lackjaw which followed an accidental discharge of a toy pistol causing a wound in the hand. Services from the family residence on Franklin Street between Spring and Market Streets. [Times 13 Nov 1883]

Levi, Mrs. Harriett Died in Shreveport Monday 12 Nov 1883 at 8:35 p.m. She was the wife of I. C. Lewis. Services at residence of M. Baer on Market Street "to the railroad junction this morning at 11 o'clock"

[Times 13 Nov 1883]

Henry, William R. A farmer and resident of Harrison County, TX, was shot and killed by an unknown party in ambush. "A colored man by the name of Pete Washington is suspected of the crime but there are no clear or positive grounds on which to base accusations against any particular person. Seven large buckshot wounds were found on Mr. Henry's back which caused his death. Henry was an old and respected citizen of Harrison County. He leaves a wife to mourn his loss."

[Times 18 Nov 1883]

Iler, Thomas H. Died 12 Dec 1883 in Shreveport of typhoid fever. Age 43. He was an old citizen of Shreveport and served with honor and credit through the late war in one of Shreveport's volunteer companies. He was a member of Caddo Lodge #179 and leaves a wife and four children. Service from the family residence on Lake Street at 4 o'clock p.m. [Burial at Oakland] [Editor's note: His wife was Marie Robson Iler who lived until 24 July 1934. The family is buried at Oakland.]

Herold, Jacob Died 13 Dec 1883 at 1:30 p.m. after a short illness at age 84. He was the father of Simon and Herman Herold. Services at the residence of Mrs S. Bahr on Texas Street at 10 o'clock. [Editor's note: Herold was born in Eilerstadt, Rhenish Bavaria 25 Aug 1800.]

[Times 14 Dec 1883]

Wheaton, Mrs. S. E. Died 20 Dec 1883 at 9 o'clock in Shreveport. She was a native of Kentucky and the wife of R. J. Wheaton. Age 61. Services at the residence on the corner of Texas and Edwards Streets, Friday 21 Dec 1883 at 10 o'clock. [Times 21 Dec 1883]

Maples, Clem B. Died Saturday, 29 Dec 1883 at 2 o'clock p.m.at age 23. Services at the family residence on Texas Street at 2 o'clock.

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