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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 Meeting Room at Shreve Memorial Library, Broadmoor Branch, 1212 Captain Shreve Drive, 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Our quarterly publication, *The Journal*, welcomes unpublished material pertaining to genealogy and history, particularly in North Louisiana.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 materials for review in *The Journal*. All materials are deposited in the Genealogy Collection of the Shreve Memorial Library in Shreveport, Louisiana.

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# **Editor's Page**

Dear Friends of Genealogy:

I am so excited that John Sellers is coming to teach our classes in November. I missed his session at our 2003 lessons and first heard him earlier this year at our July workshop.

He truly is an accomplished genealogist who is comfortable speaking before a group and has the rare ability to make all facts interesting. Being quite handsome doesn't hurt either.

It has been some 30 years now that I have been pursuing genealogy research, yet every meeting, every workshop, every lesson, I learn something new and helpful. I think it is rather like playing bridge: with each hand dealt, one learns something.

With all the life changes that have come onto my plate lately—unanticipated retirement, learning new job skills and settling into a new lifestyle—I am particularly grateful to my genealogy friends, especially Wanda Head, who has taken over and "done" this issue of *The Journal* for us. Such "pitching in" is typical of our organization.

It certainly takes more than two or three people to put an issue together, and I simply would not want to tackle any part of this job without all the aid and assistance I receive all year long. A big THANK YOU to all of you who donated family histories and research.

Let's all get ready for a great fall season of leaning new research skills and finding new information on our ancestors.

Sincerely,

Danielle Neal, Editor

# Comments from Workshop Co-Chairmen

We have a wonderful opportunity to hear a totally new and different version of the basic ingredients for genealogy research. We would like to take this opportunity to encourage all of our members (the new and the experienced) to attend this workshop. We believe we will all learn from it. Many times those of us that have been doing research for many years forget some of our basic steps and we need to be reminded to go back through all those steps for each new ancestor that we find. H ope to see you all there!! R emember that we are limited on seating, so register early.

Wanda & Laura



# Annual Genealogy Instructional Workshop taught by John Sellers



Friday, November 5, 2004, 5 p.m., Registration & Supper with speaker at Manna House (Old Piccadilly Restaurant), classes begin at 6 p.m.; Saturdays, November 6 & 13, 2004; registration at 8 a.m.; classes begin at 9 a.m.

Summer Grove Baptist Church

(Old South Park Mall Building)

8924 Jewella Avenue

Shreveport, LA 71118 (enter building on the south side)

Sunday, November 14, 2004, 2 p.m., a guided tour of Shreve Memorial Library, Broadmoor Branch, Genealogical Department, conducted by Joe Slattery, Librarian

# Classes will include the following topics:

Beginning Genealogy, Organizational Skills, Using Census Records, Court Systems and their Records, Making the most of Land Records, Wars & Military Records

Total cost for classes is \$35.00 per individual; \$55.00 for a married couple

We encourage everyone to eat at the Manna House for Saturdays' lunch; drinks will be on sale for \$0.75 each during the day; coffee, juice and donuts will be available for breakfast.

John Sellers is a fifth generation native to Hopkins County, Texas. He graduated from Texas Tech University, with a degree in advertising/public relations and received his teaching certificate in history from Texas A&M, Commerce.

John has been featured on radio's Family History Show. He has been a faculty member for Angelina College Genealogy Conference in Lufkin, Texas since 1999; a speaker for both FGS and NGS Conferences and the featured speaker at the DRT Genealogical Conference at the Alamo in 2002 and 2003. John is also a graduate of Samford University's Advanced Methodology Course.

His favorite area of research is in the courthouse. During his research he has visited many courthouses in the southern states and done extensive research in Louisiana and Texas. He is an active member of the Hopkins County Genealogical Society. John is the author of a historical newspaper article, called "Hopkins County Remembered." He has also compiled an addendum to the 1850 Census of Hopkins County.



The only rose without a thorn is Friendship

# Outline for Genealogical Classes

November 5th, 6th, & 13th, 2004

#### Friday Night

Getting Organized- "In the Beginning" Part I- Beginning with you and your family. Finding records at home. Interviewing family members and recording oral history and tradition. Identifying the family genealogist. Learning research techniques and rules of evidence. Keys to successful research. Part II-"Using the Basic Tools for Research!"- Learning about basic research forms. The pedigree and family group sheet and their uses. Organizing your research. Creating a filing system and using it. Research logs and reports will be reviewed. The use of a time line will be reviewed.

# 1st Saturday

1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Sessions- Census Research- "The ABC's and Double S's of Census Research"- Type of Censuses will be discussed. Availability and what information may be obtained from census research. Census facts and rules of census use are reviewed. The Soundex and its meaning and how to utilize it will be discussed. The researcher will learn about various internet sites and their uses in your census research. Special or non-population schedules are discussed.

3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sessions- Courthouse Research-" Dusty Books and Musty Rooms", The Adventures of Courthouse Research"- The basics of courthouse research. Preparation and arrival at the courthouse will be addressed. The student will learn about the court systems and different offices. Probate, Vital Records, and Court Records, both civil and criminal will be reviewed. Research techniques and examples of records will be reviewed. Pitfalls and genealogical treasures will be discussed.

# 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday

1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Sessions- Land Records- "Researching Your Ancestor's Plot of Dirt" Deed research in the courthouse will be reviewed. The student will learn to abstract and analyze the value of deeds. Land and Deed terminology will be discussed. State and Federal land states will be covered. The meanings of range and townships, metes and bounds will be discussed. Various examples of deeds will be reviewed. Genealogical pitfalls and treasures of deed research will be discussed.

3<sup>rd</sup> Session- Military Records and Their Uses "Did They Serve?"- The various wars that your ancestors might have participated in will be highlighted. Their service records and how to access them. Their pensions and their widow's pensions will be discussed. Their genealogical value will be analyzed.

4<sup>th</sup> Session- Newspaper Research- "What are They Saying About Your Family in the Paper?"- Newspaper research in genealogy is both challenging and rewarding. Vital records and personal information that can be gleaned from this research will be discussed. Newspapers used as evidence and its possible pitfalls are analyzed. Proper research technique and the tricks of this research will also be discussed.

# Mark Your Calendar

Meeting dates scheduled for balance of year 2004 by Friends of Genealogy, Inc.

October 2, 2004 - Regular meeting, Bossier History Center, 2206 Beckett St., Bossier City, LA, 1 p.m., Ann Middleton is the speaker. Ann is the new director of the Bossier History Center.

October 8 & 9, 2004 - Trip to the Dallas Public Library. If interested in going on this trip, contact Ben Achee, e-mail address below.

November 5, 6, & 13, 2004 - Genealogical Classes, Summer Grove Baptist Church, 8924 Jewella Ave., (Old South Park Mall Building), Shreveport, LA 71118.

<u>December 4, 2004</u> - Covered Dish Christmas Social, St. George Episcopal Church, 1959 Airline Dr. Bossier City, LA.

Unless otherwise noted all meetings are held at 1:00 p.m. in the Meeting Room, Shreve Memorial Library, Broadmoor Branch, 1212 Captain Shreve Drive, Shreveport, LA 71105 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 Ben Achee at 318-746-3688 for up-to-date program information. (E-mail: bachee@bellsouth.net.)

Monthly Board M eetings a regenerally held the Monday evening prior to the regular Saturday meeting at 5:30 p.m. Our Board Meetings are open and all members are encouraged to attend at least one meeting during the year. Contact Danielle Neal at 318-425-7069 or any Board Member for the time and location of any meeting you wish to attend.

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# Remember.....

Register early for the Genealogical Classes, limited seating!!! We believe these classes will be rated one of the best and most informative workshops that you'll attend. We encourage all our members and their guest to come.

### COMMENTS ON OUR GENEALOGY CLASSES, FALL 2003 Written by WANDA GOULD

Last fall, I stumbled onto a beginner's Genealogy Seminar flyer while I was in the Shreve Memorial Library doing family history work. Now I am not a "newbie" to genealogy, having spent the last 25 years chasing dead folks down rabbit holes. I was positive that I knew everything there was to know about genealogy and the hunting of one's ancestors. After all, I had boxes of papers and notes all over my house to prove it.

What drew my attention was the group sponsoring the classes. I was not familiar with Friends of Genealogy. I wondered who they were and if they had the same addiction I did. I decided to attend the six-class seminar, so I called and registered myself and Jerry for the upcoming classes. I actually thought the classes would help Jerry more than they would help me. Wrong!

The first Saturday, class was packed with others looking for the same people I was looking for, just different names. The organizers of the event, *Friends of Genealogy*, had carefully planned various speakers. Each speaker provided printed handouts on their topic of discussion. The speakers were knowledgeable, friendly and answered every question with professionalism as well as a little humor. The topic handouts alone were some of the best reference material I have seen.

At break time, nobody wanted to leave the room for coffee, lunch or other business. We could not stop talking about our mutual connection. What a small world it was when I met the in-laws of my first cousin. Then I met Janie, who has since become my "gen buddy." I learned that Janie was researching Pike County, Alabama. My father, grandfather and great-grandfather were all born in Pike County, Alabama. Janie and I now schedule frequent lunches to get our "gen fix" between meetings and work together at the library whenever possible. We will soon be doing our second road trip.

The seminar began with the basic steps for starting genealogy work and progressed with specific needs information. Board members were always available to assist with individual questions or help with finding things at the library.

During the six-week seminar (we met every Saturday), we covered topics such as census records, courthouse researching, wars, cemetery hunting, naming patterns, and internet tools. Remember those boxes in my house? Organization was one of our topics. You must be organized to be successful. In my case, having it and finding it was too different things. I have it and can now find it. Almost.

Before our studies ended, I joined *Friends of Genealogy*. The way I now work on my family history has made a huge change for the better. *FOG*, as we affectionately call our group, issues a quarterly publication called *The Journal*, which is well worth the annual dues.

In short, I urge everyone, whether you are a beginner or a seasoned "hunter" to get involved with a local genealogy group. *FOG* is currently working on its next seminar schedule. I wonder who I will meet this year.

Wanda Gould

# ASK

# Miss Ima G\* Bugg





Miss Ima G\* Bugg, our own unique, lighthearted research associate, has agreed to try to answer our questions and give us some research clues. If you are confused and in need of help, drop her a line. If she can't help you, maybe some of our readers can. Send your questions/comments to: Miss Ima G\* Bugg, Friends of Genealogy, Inc., P. O. Box 17835, Shreveport, LA 71138-0835.



Dear Miss Ima: I just cannot find my target family in the 1880 Census Soundex for Louisiana and *I know they are there!* This is a pretty big census and it may take me years to read every page looking for them. I really feel like I'm running short of time. Can you help?

Dear Short: First, the Soundex version was created by the WPA at the end of the depression to assist the more senior members of our nation in applying for Old Age Pensions. Since the target group would have been below 12 years of age in 1880, the WPA logically deduced that they need not include households with no children under 12 in this Soundex. This worked fine for the original purpose, but for us doing research some 70 years later, we wish everyone were included. Well, the Latter Day Saints Church has done an every-member index of the 1880 USA, 1881 British and 1881 Canadian Censuses. These indexes are found on the site <a href="https://www.familysearch.com">www.familysearch.com</a>. When you find your family in this index you can go backward and forward to the adjoining families in the census—always a good idea. Now, always remember that human beings like you and me did the indexing work and a few errors and misinterpretation of 1880 handwriting may come into play. But you persevere and you will in all likelihood find your family in this index.



Dear Miss Ima: I have searched wills, marriage records, census and cemetery records and just cannot get anywhere on my Miller family in northern Mississippi. Am I overlooking something?

Dear Overlook: I think so . . . . look down. What's there? The ground. You need to search land records: deeds, buying and selling, do you dig? For starters I want to recommend a good book: Locating Your Roots: Discover Your Ancestors Using Land Records by Patricia Law Hatcher. If it is not in your local library it may be ordered for \$21.99 from Betterway Books, 1-800-289-0963.



Dear Miss Ima: My great-grandfather lived all his life in Desoto Parish, LA. He may have been born there for all I know. But his death certificate is from Caddo Parish. Now why would he have moved late in his life?

Dear Puzzled: Your question brings up a fact all genealogists need to keep in mind—as parents age and are no longer able to farm, or tend store, or whatever they did for a livelihood, then they went to live with their children. Often the property they lived on for so many years is sold many years before they die and is not part of a probate proceeding. In more modern times, the migration to a more metropolitan area where doctors and hospitals were more plentiful may have been a factor. When we lose track of the elder persons in the area they were known to live in, look for the location of their children.



Dear Miss Ima: I am really at a brick wall with my Scots ancestors. I know they were in Georgia by 1830, but cannot trace them back to anywhere. I am beginning to form theories regarding space ships . . . Help!

Dear Stumped: Before you join the Scots Space Cadets, maybe you should examine a new book: Scots in Georgia and the Deep South 1735-1845 by David Dobson. Georgia was formed as a buffer zone between the English colony of South Carolina and the Spanish land of Florida. At the conclusion of the Seven Years War [French and Indian War on this side of the Atlantic], Spain ceded Florida to the English. This lessened the danger of settling in Georgia and saw in influx of Scots as well as veterans of the war who were given bounty lands. Most of the settlement was along the gulf coast as the Creek Indian Nation still held the inland areas of west Georgia and parts of Alabama.



Dear Miss Ima: I live in California, but have heard through the grapevine that the area of Shreveport, LA that my grandparents lived in what is now considered the Highland Historical District. Since I have other family members in Shreveport during this era, can you tell me just what the boundaries of the district are?

Dear Californian: I'll give this a try. I hope you have a map of Shreveport to assist you. The Highland Historic District is bounded by Vine Street on the north to Kings Highway on the south; from Centenary Boulevard on the east to Line Avenue on the west. Major streets running north-south in this district are Creswell Avenue, Highland Avenue and Gilbert Drive. The majority of the homes were built from 1890 to 1920. In 2001 the district had 1,124 contributing element structures. Many architectural styles are represented with the Craftsman/Bungalow style comprising 51% of the homes.

# CADDO PARISH REGISTRY OF CATTLE BRANDS AND CATTLE MARKS

# By Joe Slattery

The registered cattle brands and cattle marks for residents of Caddo Parish are found in a ledger book in the Deed Room of the Caddo Parish Courthouse. As you enter the Deed Room they are against the wall on the left side. Joe Slattery of the Shreve Memorial Genealogy Department transcribed the registered marks from the inception of the parish up to 1880. There are more, so if your relative began raising cattle after 1880, then by all means check out this source. Some entries only provide the name and the date, but most include a reproduction of the mark, which is included in this listing.

No.	Name	Brand	Date
1.	John the Baptist POREEA		31 March 1838
2.	Samuel NORRIS	5	22 May 1838
	May Eliza NORRIS	E 1	22 May 1838
	May Susanah NORRIS	S 2	22 May 1838
	Nathaniel Alexander NORRIS	N3	22 May 1838
	Samuel Ignatius NORRIS	S4	22 May 1838
	Ann Milborne NORRIS	A 5	22 May 1838
	Sarah Elizabeth NORRIS	S 6	22 May 1838
	Permelia Rebecca NORRIS	<b>P</b> 7	22 May 1838
3.	John F. SMYTH	JFS	5 July 1838
4.	Lucinda T. SMYTH	LS	5 July 1838
5.	John C. F. LEGRAND	JL	1 October 1838
6.	Robert W. LEGRAND	RL	1 October 1838
7.	William IVY	au	1 October 1838
8.	Alexander Blunt	a	1 October 1838
9.	Elizabeth LAFITTE	Sp	26 November 1839
10.	Charles ROMBIN	CR	26 November 1839

11:	Charles ROMBIN	CL	26 November 1839
12.	Ahzalu Dubon	JC	24 January 1840
13.	Andre RENOY – daughters Millac And Jane	МЈ	28 February 1840
14.	Marie Theodore VALENTINE, wife of Alexander VALENTINE	W	13 March 1840
15.	Elizabeth Porrier	EP	13 March 1840
16.	Joseph PORRIER	T	13 March 1840
17.	Zelia PORRIER	ZP	13 March 1840
18.	Catherine PORRIER	CP	13 March 1840
19.	Mary Jane Olivia PORRIER	OP	13 March 1840
20.	Louisa PORRIER	2	13 March 1840
21.	Marie Louise PORRIER	B	13 March 1840
22.	Mary Rachal, wife of Yny MORENO	MZ	7 April 1840
23.	Jane POSIER	<b>P</b> 3	13 May 1840
24.	John Baptiste POSSIER	J/B	13 May 1840
25.	Augutious POSSIER	M	13 May 1840
26.	Mary Merceline NICOBICH, wife of Joseph VALUNTINE	8	2 December 1840
27.	Rebecca MCDANIEL, wife of Jessee T. MILLER	40	5 January 1841
28.	Antonay W. PUSSREY	A	5 January 1841
29.	Kesiah JONES, wife of Antony W. PUSSREY	AW	5 January 1841
30.	John L. ROGERS	R	5 January 1841
31.	Willis POLLARD	-WD	5 January 1841
32.	Joseph OLDHAM		2 August 1841
33.	Mrs. Martha STERRETT		11 September 1841
34.	Milton W. PAGES	12	9 December 1842
35.	Rachael SHENIX	R. S.	9 December 1842
36.	Joseph ELSWORTH	JE	31 January 1843
37.	John M. SIMS		22 April 1843

38.	Hanah MACKDONALD	MD	20 November 1843
39.	J. W. HARDWICK	6	17 April 1844
40.	Jacob RUSSELL	J. R.	19 December 1844
41.	Robert W. SEGAN		20 December 1844
42.	Henry P. STEPHENS	BC	1 January 1845
43.	Sarah HOLLINGSWORTH		25 February 1845
44.	Daniel WADDELL		28 April 1845
45.	James W. RAY	R	18 August 1845
46.	Cynthia W. LACY	CL	5 November 1846
47.	Martha STEPHENS	S	6 November 1846
48.	E. R. HALL		28 January 1848
49.	S. W. CLARK		24 February 1848
50.	John PARNELL		20 March 1848
51.	Thomas B. JONES		30 April 1848
52.	James G. COX		25 May 1848
53.	Martha OLDHAM, wife of John H. ALLEY	мо	13 September 1848
54.	John E. MANGAN		13 September 1848
55.	Samuel SOJOURNER	S*S	27 November 1849
56.	Benjamin STANTON		8 November 1850
57.	Abagill WOOD		30 November 1850
58.	John ROWT		20 December 1850
59.	Ned BAKER		3 October 1851
60.	John WALPOOL		14 February 1853
61.	Robert LOWE		15 Feb 1853
62.	John H. PAYNE		8 March 1853
63.	James M. FINLEY		22 March 1853
64.	John F. HERNDON		13 April 1853
65.	James B. MCCAIN		26 April 1853
66.	John MCCAIN		26 April 1853
67.	Lewellin J. HAMLIN		29 April 1853
68.	Thomas R. SIMPSON		29 April 1853
69.	Jeremiah N. MCLELLAND		3 May 1853
70.	John KNOX		7 May 1853
71.	William SAUNDERS		4 June 1853

72.	John NICAR	6	6 June 1853
73.	David A. ABBOT	DA	29 July 1853
74.	John MCLAUGHLIN		23 August 1853
75.	James SHRICK		29 August 1853
76.	Mrs. Wealthy COLE	NC	10 November 1853
77.	R. T. B. EDDIN		20 December 1853
78.	Roland LANE		5 January 1854
79.	J. W. RICE		5 January 1854
80.	Thomas JACOBS		27 February 1854
81.	James GILPIN	<b>C</b> .3.	14 June 1854
82.	Eli S. WYLIE		7 July 1854
83.	Joseph N. ALLEY	9. A	17 July 1854
84.	J. M. SIMMON		7 August 1854
85.	Mathew G. JACKSON	M	7 August 1854
86.	Henry HASSABRAUCK		7 August 1854
87.	Joseph B. WELCH		21 November 1854
88.	R. T. BUCKNER	R. <b>J</b> .B.	15 February 1855
89.	Josaphene BARKER, minor, recorded by Grandfather, James DICKINSON	9	23 June 1855
90.	F. M. & A. WALDRON	W	1 March 1856
91.	William PETERS		17 July 1855
92.	George W. ILES	w	31 July 1855
93.	Howell ILES	4.2	31 July 1855
94.	John R. R. HARRISON	00	30 November 1855
95.	Eliza CARNAHAN	EH	24 January 1856
96.	William STUDDARD		12 February 1856
97.	Joseph Clinton BEALL	J.C.B.	19 February 1856
98.	Nathan SAMSON	728	19 February 1856
99.	Joshua EVERS		19 February 1856

101.	E. D. WILLIAM	D	26 March 1856
102.	W. W. SIMMONS		7 April 1856
103.	W. N. JETER		8 April 1856
104.	Nathan HASS		9 April 1856
105.	James WILSON		12 April 1856
106.	J. M. WILLIAMS		26 April 1856
107.	Thomas MCCALL	9	30 April 1856
108.	William M. BICKHAM	6	5 June 1856
109.	Noah TYSON	97	23 June 1856
110.	W. W. GRAY		19 July 1856
111.	Edmund H. RHODES		December 1856
112.	M. WHITTINGTON	1 1 100	December 1856
113.	William HOLMES	WH	December 1856
114.	W. M. YORK (Made in Error)		January 1857
115.	Joseph Augustin NORRIS		31 January 1857
116.	N. F. NORRIS		31 January 1857
117.	William A. DONOVAN		9 February 1857
118.	Thomas C. SAMSOM		9 February 1857
119.	Jacob LUFT		17 February 1857
120.	Josiah S. HALE		20 February 1857
121.	M. B. MILAM		23 March 1857
122.	Taylor JOHNSON		23 March 1857
123.	Charles BARLOW	/	23 March 1857
124.	Isaac FORTNER		25 March 1857
125.	Benjamin S. ROGERS	S.R.	12 April 1857
126.	Benjamin F. POINDEXTER		12 April 1857
127.	John SEMPE	P. S.	1 June 1857
128.	W. M. YORK		4 June 1857
129.	Mrs. Mary NOEL, Widow		22 July 1857
130.	J. G. MCWILLIAM		30 July 1857
131.	Michael HARRIS	2	18 September 1857
132.	A. LEONARD		11 September 1857
133.	Thomas PHILYAW		3 October 1857
134.	Wesley JOHNSON		3 October 1857
135.	W. R. MUNNERLYN	96	11 January 1858
136.	John B. MUNNERLYN		11 January 1858
137.	Warren P. DAVIS		25 February 1858
138.	B. FOSTER	100	8 March 1858
139.	Thomas GRUBBS	29	8 May 1858

To Be Continued...

### Jackson Parish, Louisiana 1890 Tax Assessment Roll

This list has been transcribed from the microfilmed records, a copy of which will be donated to the Genealogy Collection at the Shreve Memorial Library in Shreveport, Louisiana. The handwritten records seemed to be in good condition at the time of filming but as with all records of this type are in many places difficult to read. As a result, this transcription will contain errors, but it is hoped that this information will assist those researchers with Jackson Parish ties. As always, please verify this information with the microfilmed records.

These records list the taxpayer's name and quantity of land as well as the values of land, livestock, and personal property. We are listing here only the taxpayer's name and amount of land shown, along with a notation for non-white persons. A blank field in the land column indicates that the taxpayer is listed for poll tax and/or personal property tax and does not own land. [Series began in Volume 15, 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter 2003, was not in the 3<sup>rd</sup> or 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter 2003 issues, resumed in the 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter 2004 issue and concludes with this entry.]

Non-Resident Taxpayers	Non-White	Acres	Non-Resident Taxpayers	Non-White	Acres
ASHLEY, W. F.		440	COLLINS, C. C.		280
ALLEN, J. Y.		280	COLLINS, Peter		240
ATWATER, L. L.		240	CHADDICK, W. (Estate)		1,440
			CRAIG, T. L.		40
BURGESS, N.		2,040	CARAWAY, H. J.		80
BARKER, SB&SK		12,906	COLON, Mrs. W. V.		1,280
MARTIN					
BOWLING, Josephine		240	CULPEPPER, J. J.		80
BRYANT, J. L.		515	CHATHAM, Susan		240
BEARDSLY, J. D.		80	CHADDICK, W. A.		40
BOND, W. F.		320			0.10112
BUTLER, Mrs. Josephine		41	DOMMUS, William		160
BURROUGHS, Mrs. E. C.		160	DAWSON & BOYDKIN		80
BONNETT, Jno. B.		80	DUNCAN, B. L. (heirs)		440
BROADWELL, W. C.		1,100	DEGRAFFINREED, W. H.		200
BRITT, J. W.		280			
BURROUGHS, B. B.		140	EMMONS, L. D.		120
BROWN, D. E., Jr.		240			400
BUCKINGHAM, H. G. (Estate)		160	FREEMAN, A. J.		480
BILES, Mrs. E. H.		200	FLUITT, H. D. L.		200
BAILEY, P. G.		160	FLOURNOY, G. F.		120
BLALOCK, J. R.		200	FLOURNOY, William		960
BARNES, Mrs. M. E.		1,200	004444 514 6 0		40
BARRETT, James		120	GRAHAM, E M & Co.		40
BONNER & Co.		360	GRAHAM, E. M.		2,200
BRITTAIN, B. B.		235	GRAHAM, BAILEY & NM SMITH		560
BROOKS, Mrs. Lula		160	GREEN, J. Gillen		80
BRYANT, M. A.		40	GREENHAW, B. B. (Estate)		160
BROADWELL, W. J.		100	GREEN, Allen (Estate)		80

# Jackson Parish, LA 1890 Tax Assessment Roll (Continued)

(Continued) Non-Resident Taxpayers	Non-White	Acres	Non-Resident Taxpayers	Non-White	Acres
GRIFFIN, J.		1,120	MURPHY, BUTLER & AVRITT		120
GULLATT, William		120	MILLS, T. E. (Estate)		720
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·			MANNING, James A.		1,100
HARDY, Robert M.		162	MONK, Mrs. Mary		80
HEARD, W. B.		80	McLAIN, L. D.		640
HAIGLER, N.		240	MAYES, J. H.		240
HOOD, Mrs. A. E.		80	McLEROY, Mrs. Delila		580
HINTON, B. T.		187.5	Mezziter, Miet Bellie		000
HINSON, Mrs. S.		280	NEWMAN, Isadore		6,400
HINES, Mrs. Mary S.		80	NEILSON, J. J.		320
HILL, J. L.		780	NORMAN, Mrs. Ada		80
HATLEY, J. L.		80			
HUNT, Mrs. M. M.		180	OWEN, Mrs. S. J.		400
IVIS, C.		40	POOL, A. J.		320
IVY, C. D.		80	PHILLIPS, G. P.		60
			PYBURN, H. P.		80
JOHNSON, Mrs. Lizzie		40	PYBURN, D. M.		280
JONES, J. W.		120	PYBURN, A. J.		40
JOHNSON, E. M.		122	PRIKICE, John		80
JOSEPH, L. H.		1,680	PRICE, M. A.		150
JOHNSON, W. L.		240	PITTARD, E. H.		700
JONES, Mrs. P. E.		200	PETTIT, J. M.		60
			PEARCE, L. C.		160
KIDD Estate, GRAHAM & N M SMITH		40	PEARCE, T. E.		80
KIDD Estate & N M SMITH		3,640	PENTECOST, E. H.		160
KIDD, M. B. (Estate)		8,003	PRICE, G. A.		780
KIDD, M. B. (Estate)		410			
KIDD, Mrs. May L.		630	RISER, H. G.		80
KIDD, J. H.		360	RISER, A. H.		120
KELLY, W. J.		125	ROBINSON, J. W.		220
KENT, Robert		120	ROBROSON, J. T.		120
KENNEDY, Robert		320	ROBROSON, Jerry (heirs)		520
KAHN, G.		320	ROBROSON, C S & M S JACKSON		750
KIDD, E E & M A PRICE		40	ROBROSON, R. L.		120
KIDD, E. E.		560	RISER, Adam		80
			RENTZ, Amos		100
LEONARD, A. H.		1,320	RENTZ, Mrs. A.		80
LINDSEY, John P.		160			
LOWRENCE, M. A.		80	STANDIFER, T. C.		850
LEWIS, G. W.		80	STEGALL, B. F.		80
LEWIS, W. A. J.		280	SPINKS, W. J.		190
LEWIS, J. L.		768	SMITH, H. T. (MD)		1,780
LEWIS, William		720	SMITH, E. H.		260
LUSK & GRIFFIN		40	STONE, William		720
LEONARD, J. W. (Estate)		720	STOKES, W. H.		

Jackson Parish, LA	1890	Tax	Assessment Roll
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Non-Resident Taxpayers	Non-White	Acres	Non-Resident Taxpayers	Non-White	Acres
SILLINGER, Mrs. M. E.		1,280	WALKER, E.		40
SIKES, Duncan		80	WALDRIP, J. T.		40
STEWART, J. W.		100	WACABOTH & JOSEPH		320
SERGET, James & C. Minor		240	WILLIS, E. W.		167
SCOTT & WEST		680	WILLIAMS, James		280
			WILDER, Mrs. Lou		80
THOMAS, Mrs. F. P.		240	WRIGHT, Mrs. Mattie		160
TANNEHILL & CRAIG		720	WILLIAMS, A. D.		80
TRASK, Mrs. E. J.		360	WILDER, George		280
TERRIL, W. G.		200			
TERRIL, G. T.		400	V. S. & P. R. R. Co.		13,960
			VAIL, Henry		240
WALKER, Mrs. N. W.		820			
WILCOX & PYBURN		80	Unknown Owners:		
WILLIAMS, Caroline	X				
WALKER, W. F.		100	KILLIN, G. W. (Entryman)		120
WATERS, E. D.		80	SHOLARS, L. G. (Entryman)		40
WILLIAMS, W. J.		120			

This concludes the listing.

# American Revolutionary War Ancestor DAR Lookup

Need A DAR lookup? Do you think you might have an ancestor who served in the American Revolutionary War (1775-1783)? Would you like to know whether your ancestor is listed with the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution (NSDAR) in the "Patriot Index"? A helpful group of organized DAR VIS Volunteers monitor the RootsWeb DAR Message Board every day and welcome look up requests.

Include your Revolutionary War-era ancestor's first and last name, spouse's name (if known), dates of birth, death, and state of residence when posting your lookup request. You need not be interested in joining the NSDAR to request a lookup.

### http://boards.ancestry.com/mbexec?htx=board&r=rw&p=topics.organizations.dar

Or go to: http://boards.rootsweb.com/ and in the Find A Message Board window type in DAR. Select No. 2 of the choices -- the organization and society.

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# Lydia and the James Gang

## Contributed by Shirley King White

It was Saturday morning and on their Union County, IL farm, Peter Norrix and his wife, Eliza Jane Pratt Norrix, prepared their three youngest children for a trip into Cobden for supplies.

A trip to town offered excitement from the routine of farm life and the children were always eager to see what was happening there. The family went into the Emporium and Peter discussed the weather, crops and various topics with the store owner. Eliza Jane gave the clerk her list and looked at various piece goods. Lydia Norrix, age 12, soon got bored with this part of shopping and went outside the store. Her exit was just in time to see masked robbers leaving the bank. And one of them grabbed Lydia and threw her on his horse. Lydia called, "Papa, Papa," as they rode out of town but her cries were lost in the noise of the horses' hooves and the beginning of shouts as citizens recovered from their shock.

The getaway was successful and there appeared to be no posse in pursuit, so the gang decided they didn't need a child as a hostage. They decided to wait until dark when one of them would return Lydia to the outskirts of Cobden. The gang rested in the shade and talk turned to the recent war. Tales included talk of cold camps and one man teased Lydia about being "a Yankee girl."

Now Lydia, born three years after the Civil War ended, was the quiet child. She often sat and listened when the men folks talked of the things men talk of—farming, the family, and their experiences in the war. Lydia now relayed to the gang that she heard her papa talk about riding with Bedford Forrest in the war. She immediately had their interest. They told her they were from Missouri and they, too, had fought for the south.

One of the robbers got two double-eagle coins out of his saddlebag. He told Lydia to put them away and not tell anybody where she got them or somebody would take them away from her. Lydia took the coins and put them in her shoe.

Darkness fell and one of the men put Lydia on his horse and rode toward Cobden. Once they got as close to town as he dared go, he reminded her not to tell anyone about the money.

Lydia walked into town, found the sheriff's office and asked the sheriff to please take her home. Her family was greatly relieved and happy to see her. She had to relate her experience over and over, but she always omitted any mention of the money.

Days later a story appeared in the local newspaper about the bank robbery, Lydia's abduction, and release. One of the robbers had been identified as a member of the "Jessie James Gang" so naturally the robbery was assumed to be committed by the infamous James gang.

The seasons rolled on and Peter Norrix' money dwindled after crops were planted and the next harvest was several weeks off. Lydia, hearing her Papa discuss the shortage, waited until an appropriate time when she was alone with him and whispered in his ear, "Papa, you can have one of my coins, a double-eagle, but you can't tell anybody where you got it or somebody will

take it away from you." Naturally Peter questioned his daughter about where she had gotten a \$20 gold piece.

Then she related the story about her abduction and included the part about the coins. She told her papa the men were really nice men, had been in the war, and one of the men had given her the coins because her papa had been a Rebel and times were still tough for Rebels.

Peter immediately asked, "What made them think I'm a Rebel?" Lydia explained that she told them about his riding with Nathan Bedford Forrest. Peter asked, "Where did you get the idea I rode with Forrest?" Lydia explained she had heard him talk about riding with Forrest in the war.

Peter calmly explained to Lydia that she had gotten her war stories mixed up a bit. Peter Norrix had served in the Union Army in Co. B of the 11<sup>th</sup> IL and Co. H of the 109<sup>th</sup> IL. Then he thought to inquire about the second coin, "Where is it?" "In my shoe," replied Lydia.

Lydia relayed this story to her great-nephew, Oscar King, in 1920 when he was 15, she was 52. It was always one of Oscar's favorite family stories. Lydia lived until 1949 when she died at the grand old age of 81.

# **Woodard Cemetery**

Bienville Parish, Louisiana

Take the U.S. Highway #80, Ada – Taylor exit (#54) from I- 20 and follow Highway 80 until you see the Taylor Baptist Church on the left hand side, turn left and circle around to the back of church, where the road divides. Take the Pine Grove Church road, go approx. one and one half miles; cemetery will be on the left. It is located in Section 7 Township 18 Range 8W (GPS 322357N-930749W). This survey was started at the Northwest corner of the main section. The survey was conducted on July 5 & 6, 2004 by John C. Head.



16 Nov 1945

09 Jul 1953

KENDRICK, \*Dewey S. (Daddy)

30 Dec 1903

24 Mar 1990

<pre>{md 03 Jan 1925}  *Glynnie A. (Mother)</pre>	28 00	ct	1907	09	Jan	1997
KENDRICK, Dewey S. Jr. (Father)	26 00	ct	1925	19	Oct	2002
ADKINS, *Eugene H. (Daddy) *Emmie M. (Mother)			1880 1886			1967 1965
RENO, Isiah Louis	12 Ja	an	1904	04	Sep	1991
RENO, *Louis (Father)  *Sallie M. (Mother)			1877 1875			
RENO, Filmore L. (LA HQ Bat 2 Fld Arty WW II)	23 At	ug	1901	21	Mar	1971
MOBLEY, Grover C.			1888			1944
MOBLEY, Bobbie Joe [infant]						1938
MOBLEY, Virgie Mae	13 Ma	ay	1905	17	Nov	1990
HILL, *H. Warren *Linda W.			1934 1940	02	Aug	1989
HILL, *Warren M. (Father)[Mason] *Ruby Laura (Mother)			1908 1911			1936 1985
REID, #Katherine DAVIS, #Della LOYD #Evered W. #Inf. s/o M/M E. W. Davis	21 No	ov	1925 1901 1900	09 23	Oct Dec	1989
WOODARD, Pearl BURFORD	23 00	ct	1876	07	Dec	1945
McCONATHY, Carolyn Virginia	03 A	pr	1931	12	Sep	1973
OUTLAND, Truman Richard (Brother)	11 Ju	un	1943	31	Aug	1997
WOODS, Delbert Nolan (Capt US Marine Corp - Vietnam)	29 Jı	ul	1946	20	Aug	1977
BRADY, *Edmond L. {md 23 Apr 1921}	05 00	ct	1901	17	Aug	1984
*Abbie B. AVANT	23 A	pr	1903	06	Jan	1978
BRADY, Donald J. (Tec 4 US Army WW II)	26 Jı	un	1926	09	Feb	1986
CALHOUN, Dorothy B.	07 D	ec	1922	20	Apr	1994
BRADY, *Blanchard Levell (Sgt US Army Korea) {md 05 Oct 1953} *Carolyn BARNES			1930 1935	22	Sep	1999
COPELAND, Grayson "Bo" [Mason]			1918	22	Oct	2003
COPELAND, Anne R.		-	1919			2001

COPELAND, *Allen B. {md 01 Oct 1913}	04 Mar 1892 07 Aug 1978
*Alice V.	01 Jul 1894 05 Jan 1992
SLAY, *Douglas Ernest	01 Aug 1908 04 Mar 1955
*Jewel WOODARD	22 Dec 1911 29 Apr 1985
WOODARD, Carrie Lee (w/o Shelby Woodard)	17 Sep 1879 19 Apr 1925





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WOODARD, Shelby [WOW]	02	Feb	1875	02	Jul	1937
WOODARD, *Arthur N.	22	Nov	1903	29	Sep	1979
{md 20 Jul 1920} (Ch: Vannette, Dorothy	, Jeni	nings	3)		4	
*Flossie L.			1908	03	Apr	2002
WOODARD, *Prentice Shelby (US Navy WW II) {md 31 Dec 1932} (Ch: Lyn		Jan	1906	27	Apr	1988
*Arminer CATEN	29	Apr	1906	25	Oct	1989
WOODARD, Arthur Nathaniel (GM US Navy)	22	Nov	1903	29	Sep	1979
McNEILL, Willie Drew (LA Pvt Co G 1 <sup>st</sup> Casual Camp WW I)	06	Oct	1890	02	May	1970
McNEILL, Louie	14	Dec	1909	16	Jun	1922
McNEILL, Aurelia R.	15	Mar	1873	21	Jun	1968
McNEILL, W. D.	10	Apr	1863	09	Dec	1939
STRUBE, Mrs. Jennie	29	Aug	1857	25	Jan	1944
LAWLER, **Rebecca Nell **[blank]	23	Apr	1961	21	Jun	1961
HOUSTON, **Edmond "In memory of"	26	Aug	1932	16	Feb	1988
WILLIAMS, #*William H. (LA Pvt US Army WW I)			1895			
*Dot C.	24	Oct	1896	04	Jun	1984
COPELAND, #Mary Glen	26	May	1894	17	Oct	1963
MOORE, #*Annie COPELAND	17	Jun	1899	01	Jul	1961

*Bertis "O.G." (Daddy) [Mason]	08 Apr 1904 2:	3 May 1978
COPELAND, #*Joe D. (Father) [Mason]		
*Voncile "Cilf" (Mother)	06 Jul 1911 1:	3 Jan 1975
#Joe D.	1857	1930
#Mattie H.	1869	1939
HENDERSON, Robert Lee	1901	1971
HENDERSON, Herman [Mason] [731]	22 Oct 1896 2	7 Dec 1927
HENDERSON, Frank	19 Feb 1909	Jun 1909
(s/o M/M Bob Henderson)		
GLENN, Laudie E. HICKS	27 Mar 1905 1	Jun 1923
HARRIS, Sammie Eller	05 Jul 1860 0	6 Dec 1919
MILLER, *Joby	03 Nov 1889 1	7 Oct 1936
*Jincie CRYE	12 Aug 1885 1	6 Jan 1974
MILLER, *Charley Joby [Mason] {md 02 Jan 1937}	12 Jul 1915 0	9 Apr 1980
*Lela Odelle HICKS	26 Mar 1917	
HENDERSON, Mary	1883	1957
HENDERSON, Samuel	1873	1946
HENDERSON, Pleasant	05 Oct 1818 2	8 Sep 1900



Pleasant Henderson marker

HENDERSON, Virginia
HENDERSON, Baldie



Virginia Henderson marker

18 Aug 1830 28 Sep 1914 1857 1936

MASON, Bert	28	Dec	1895	27	Mar	1987
MASON, *Alonzo L.  *Mamie H.						1899 1944
MASON, *Lillie May *Willie P.			1893 1890			1982 1983
FOSTER, George Bryant	13	Mar	1908	22	Feb	1938
FOSTER, *William J.  *Fannie C.			1873 1881			1955 1965
O'NEAL, W. C. D.	05	May	1849	12	Jan	1923
ONEAL, Sarah Catherine (w/o W. C. Oneal)	21	Mar	1848	20	Dec	1917
COOKE, Cary M.	24	Jun	1899	15	May	1911
O'NEAL, *John William		_	1885			1964
*Clara Bell DAVIDSON	03	Apr	1897	20	Aug	1962
COOKE, *Ross B.  (PFC US Army WW II) {md 02 Oct 1937}	04	Oct	1913	26	Sep	1984
*Velma M.	22	Nov	1915	29	Sep	1990
COOKE, *Jim M. [Mason] *Nellie W.			1904 1912	04	Oct	1984
COLLINS, Florence V. FOSTER			1899	24	Aug	1986
FOSTER, Luther Clifton [Mason]	18	May	1889	18	Jan	1950
[unknown]						
COOKE, R. B. (Age 45 yrs 5 mons 18 days)	18	Feb	1857	06	Aug	1902
SHAFFER, Mrs. Emma COOK	05	Apr	1866	24	Mar	1928
[unknown]						
MOBLEY, Joseph H. (Father)	12	Apr	1876	10	Мау	1917
RENO, *Lester C. (Father) {md 17 Jul 1924}			1900			1967
Lovel F. (Mother)			1905			1997
??, Francis [small marker, no other data]						
CATES, *Elton *Julia A.			1887 1872			1925 1943
BRASWELL, *George *Eula C.			1902 1913	27	May	1979
SPEER, Francis Melvin	08	Mar	1886	06	Feb	1950

SPEER, *J. D. "Jake"  *Velma S.		1908 1907	25 Mar 1985 23 Aug 1999
SPEER, *J.D. Jr. (Father) *Frances H. (Mother)	06 Mar 16 Feb	1933 1931	11 Jan 1985
COBB, Chester L.	11 Mar	1931	26 Sep 1996
DEW, *Willie Homer {md 04 Mar 1939}	14 Sep	1918	16 Apr 1981
*Louvenia E. COOKE	16 Dec	1918	27 Oct 1996
DOWE, *Onnie D. *Ethel E.		1888 1910	25 Sep 1981 23 Nov 1971
COOKE, *Clifton C. HICKS, *Frankie B. COOKE		1915 1919	01 Mar 1964 11 May 2004
COOKE, *Monroe J.  *Cornelia O.		1875	27 Nov 1957 04 Apr 1967
COOKE, Inf. d/o M/M M. J. Cooke	11 Oct	1907	02 Nov 1907
JACKSON, Emily C. "Kate"	21 Feb	1902	02 Jun 1991
JACKSON, John D.	10 Dec	1893	29 Nov 1927
HINES, Robert Wiltz [Mason]	24 Apr	1919	10 Aug 1987
HINES, *Charles J. *Lela C.		1880 1886	04 Sep 1951 12 Sep 1968
HINES, *Herman Jefferson *Bessie CHANDLER	01 Dec 11 Mar		06 Apr 1983
COOKE, Richard T.	26 Apr	1862	10 Jun 1947
COOKE, Mary L.	09 Apr	1868	26 Jan 1931
COOKE, Victoria Ellen (d/o R. T & M. L. Cooke)	14 Jun	1890	21 Feb 1902
STRONG, Willie H.	11 May	1873	29 Jul 1899
STRONG, Inf. S/o M/M W. H. Strong		[no da	tes]
NEWMAN, *Alex *Mattie		1870 1877	10 Mar 1946 30 Mar 1933
STRONG, Gertrude Alice	22 Jun	1887	18 Jan 1985
HOLLAND, Maude STRONG	01 Jun	1891	05 Aug 1975
STRONG, Sarah Tabitha	21 Jun	1883	26 Nov 1973
STRONG, Sallie ADAMS (Mother)	16 Dec	1850	18 Dec 1929
STRONG, William E. (Father)	23 Feb	1840	19 Feb 1907



Paul Strong marker

VIZE, A.	30	Jul	1892	30	Jul	1892
CATES, Curtis Rufus (LA Cpl 352 Ftr Sq AAF WW II)	28	Oct	1910	05	Mar	1969
CATES, Bernice	13	Mar	1908	09	Jun	1950
[unknown]						
PECOR, *William [Mason] {md 26 Apr 1902}	19	Aug	1874	03	May	1924
*Maude	03	Feb	1884	06	Jun	1974
PECOR, [granite pot with flowers]						
BREWSTER, Earlene V.			1917			1944
PECOR, [granite pot with flowers]						
PECOR, Maude Irene			1921			1995

27 Mar 1905 CROW, Abner [infant] (s/o J. M. & Susie Crow) [death date covered by concrete]

CROW, James M. [WOW] [864]

04 Aug 1876 01 Jul 1908



James M. Crow marker

MILLER	*Elias W.	16	Feb	1861	07	Sep	1932
	*Annie H.	09	Mar	1870	19	Feb	1937
CATES,	*Lillian	06	Sep	1893	17	Jul	1977
	*Robert E.	04	Nov	1882	16	Jul	1959
CATES,	Bobbie	25	Feb	1923	06	Jan	1927
FLOYD,	Otis G.	13	Feb	1897	07	Dec	1970
FLOYD,	Bessie MILLER	22	Jun	1904	21	Aug	1991

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# William Gaskell Reynolds' Journal

### Contributed by Carolyn Bland

My father, William Gaskell Renolds, wrote this short journal, and I found it after he died in 2001. It is a treasure to me, as the stores he told us are now in his own writing, and we can look back on his life through these pages. I hope it may encourage others to stop a while and do what he did. It renews wonderful, and very real, memories.

William Gaskell Reynolds, Born July 10, 1904 at Summerfield, La. Second son of Sam and Trebie Reynolds.

Every person born on this earth creates history along the pathway of life, circumstances do effect our lives to a degree, I am outlining some of these experiences as I remember during my seventy-eight years -

Today I'm 93 yr's old. I thank God for this life he has given me—July 10th, 1997. Gaskell Reynolds

At my birth, Father was principal of the Summerfield, LA. School. From Summerfield we moved to Haynesville, LA. Louise, my sister, was born in Haynesville June 30, 1907.

Sometime in this period my father learned telegraphy in Haynesville under Mr. Joe Roberts, Agent for the L&NW Railroad. In 1909 we lived in Magnolia, Ark. My father evidently was connected with the L&NW R.R. I have a card written by my mother from Magnolia to my older brother, Roy, and to me when we were visiting our Grandmother Reynolds in Myrtle, Miss. in June 1909.

From Magnolia we moved to Chestnut, Athens, and Natchitoches, La. My father was still connected with the L&NW R.R. We were living in Natchitoches in 1913 when Shirley, my youngest sister, was born there August 25, 1913. She passed away in Baton Rouge, LA on July 31, 1975.

We eventually moved from Natchitoches to Aloha, La. On the LR&N R.R. in late 1913 or early 1914, only there a few months. Then we moved to Angola, La. Where my father was Agent for the LR&N R.R. Angola was the location of the State Penal Farm. Trains were carried on barges between Naples (on the Atchafalaya River) across the Mississippi River to Angola, approximately eight miles. Two boats powered the barges, the "William" and "Sarah" Edenborn. Edenborn being the President of the LR&N R.R.

I remember shortly after moving there, I slipped off one day and walked the tracks to the docks to watch the trains being unloaded. This was

approximate two miles from Angola depot. It just so happened Mr. Edenborn and his wife had come across on the boat in his private car and he gave me a good jacking up for being there on the dock. He pulled both my ears and scared me read bad, and I remember wetting my britches to boot. So I never pulled that stunt again as my Dad almost got fired when the Edenborns reached the depot. I was ten years old at the time.

In December 1914 tragedy struck our family as Mama developed blood poisoning from an infection in her mouth and her face was swollen almost beyond speaking. Dad had a doctor come up from St. Francisville, and he advised she be taken to the hospital in Baton Rouge. The doctor accompanied her on the train. In a couple of days Dad was called as her condition had worsened. The last words she said to me before boarding the train were, "Be good and take care of the little ones."

I made numerous trips from our house to the depot for any word. Finally one morning, must have been December 29, 1914, I walked in the depot and the Operator had just received a wire saying,

Tell the children their mother passed away last night. Have them ready to board No. 2 tonight. Burial Haynesville.

The Operator, seeing me, asked that I go out and bring in a bucket of coal for the stove. While I was gone he went over to our house just a short distance with the news to the others, where a neighbor was taking care of the smaller children.

I remember walking down the railroad right-of-way, sitting down and placing my head between my knees and weeping. I was not alone as the Lord was there with me, giving me the strength to help endure the sorrow. Then I went to the house, and a family who lived just inside the prison grounds took us, gave us food and baths, and took care of us until the train came in around midnight. They took us to the station through a pouring rain. We arrived in Haynesville around noon the next day and Mama was put to rest in the Shady Grove Cemetery two miles west of Haynesville.

Being only ten years of age, I realized the road ahead would not be easy. Roy, Dad, and myself returned to Angola and the three younger ones stayed on with relative. In a couple of months Dad lost his job, Roy and I were sent back to Haynesville. Dad gave us 50 cents each for snacks.

Aunt Tine and Uncle Tom Lee took me and Roy went with other relatives. This was in February or March 1915.

I stayed in Haynesville until March 1916 when Dad sent Roy and me to Myrtle, Miss. I had a home with Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Barnett on a farm in the country. Roy went to live with Grandma Reynolds and Aunt Prude Poe, her sister at a cross-roads settlement called Enterprise.

The Barnetts (no relation to us) lived in a three-room house on top of a hill. They had one cow, a horse and a few chickens—a very crude existence. Water had to be brought up from under the hill from an artesian well. People lived very hard and their only means of support was farming from some very poor land. I found this adjustment hard to take after leaving a better place in Haynesville to live with strangers.

Mrs. Barnett suffered from asthma and many nights would have to sit up the entire night. Mr. Barnett taught me to plow and milk the cow, so eventually I adjusted to the life they lived. We shelled corn and carried it on the horse to the gristmill for our cornbread.

I resumed school in the fall as I had not been the previous year. School was in the little wooden building and my teacher was a Miss Hickey. I enjoyed the five-month school year.

In December 1916 Mr. Barnett passed away with pneumonia. The Barnetts had only one child, Otis, who was married and living across the creek from his folks. He took his mother in and she, not wanting to give me up, took me with her. I had to sleep on a cot in her room and keep a fire going in the fireplace during winter when she had the asthma attacks.

Otis was a hard worker and during plowing and planting season would awaken me at 3 a.m. We would do the chores and catch our mules. Going out at daybreak, we worked until dark. This was in 1917 when World War I was being waged. Due to a shortage of flour, we ate cornbread for breakfast with sorghum syrup. That summer I had chills ever other day and would work until I felt it coming on, then would rush to the house and cover up with several quilts and eventually go through a sweat and make it until the next seizure. I broke land with two mules and a large steel-beam plow. This was really too much to handle for my age. I lived with Otis from December 1916 until March or April 1919. By doing odd jobs during these three years, I had saved up \$8.00.

I wrote my Dad in Hastings, Colorado, a small coal mining town a few miles out of Trinidad on the Colorado & Southeastern R.R. I told him I was leaving Mississippi and what were his thoughts? I had had enough of my situation. Dad arranged for me to come to Hastings in the spring of 1919. He had remarried to his fourth wife, formerly Ellen Burns. My other two stepmothers I never knew as they passed away while I was in Mississippi. In late 1919 the folks went to Denver, Colorado and purchased a neighborhood grocery store at 2400 Washington Street. We lived in three back rooms of the store. I started to Whittier School close by and worked after school cleaning seven rooms of the twenty-eight in the school and shoveling snow from the walks. My pay was \$7 per month.

The grocery store did not pay, so it was sold at a loss in early 1920. Then Dad took a telegraph job on the CBEQ R.R. at Salem, Nebraska. This job was soon abolished, so we moved back to Denver. Stepmother went down to Walsenburg to visit her people. In the meantime, Dad secured a job at Basin, Wyoming with the CBEQ R.R., so he and I went up and Stepmother came up later. This was in early spring around May 1920. As the school term was about over, I did not enter school in Basin. I had already gone to school in Hastings, Denver and Salem, Nebraska that school term.

At Basin I soon landed a job washing dishes and doing odd jobs at the "Big Horn Café" for a dollar a day and meals. This didn't last long as the owner and cook left town one night owing several bills. I had quit a day or so prior, so he did not owe me. I had gone down one morning to work, and he was sprawled out asleep on the kitchen floor. I couldn't get him up. He had been out partying all night and several people were waiting for the café to open.

From there I worked for a man named Curly Forsythe who owned a tailor shop and a small parcel of land on the outskirts of town. My job was to irrigate and do odd jobs out there. My pay was \$3 a day. Along about the first of August I was pretty much discouraged, so I decided Wyoming was not for me and I returned to Haynesville.

In Haynesville Uncle Tom Lee found me a home with Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Green on a farm some three or four miles east of Haynesville. He came for me in his one-horse wagon. We stopped in town and bought me two overalls and blue work shirts and that afternoon I was put to work gathering corn with a black boy he had hired. I guess this was in September 1920. Mr. Green had agreed to send me to school after the crops were in and this was accomplished sometime in October. Here I was, sixteen years old and in the seventh grade. After doing the morning chores, I walked into town through all kinds of weather,

struggled to catch up with the class to no avail, became discouraged, and with no help I left school.

I stayed on with the Greens through the winter, made a crop the next year (1921). Mr. Green as a cripple who used a walking stick. We raised produce which he peddled in town.

Along in August or September, I returned to Basin, Wyoming and worked as messenger and janitor around the depot for \$60 a month for a few months. Then I returned to Haynesville to work for Mr. Green for \$1 a day and made another crop.

I made another trip back to Basin and worked as warehouse foreman for the CB&Q R.R. in 1922 and 1923. Also I worked as a yard clerk at Lovell, Wyoming in February 1923. I came back to Haynesville in March 1923 and hired out to Hugh Hardin (Mr. Green's son-in-law).

Hugh and Jewel Hardín lived on the Greens' place in a small shot-gun house and had several children, so we had to build a shed room on one side for a place for me. I loaned Hugh \$200 and we put in a large cotton crop with the hope the crop would pay off. However, the Army worms hit and almost cleaned the field.

Hugh and I took to the woods and sawed stove wood which was sold in town. Some way Hugh paid me off and eventually I went back to the Greens and helped around the place for my board.

In the fall of 1923 or 1924 I went to Greenville, Texas and picked cotton out from town a few days. Then it started raining for several days, so I left there and walked several miles into a little town, cleaned up at a barber shop, sold my cotton sack for a dollar, caught a bus for Ft. Worth and stayed in a hotel. The next morning was bright and sunny. After a good breakfast I strolled around and found a connection with some guys in a truck taking pickers to Spur, Texas. I hitched a ride and rode all night until noon the next day. Along with three or four others we were housed in a barm with mattresses on the floor for sleeping.

A couple of days after our arrival it came a Blue Northerner. The roof leaked and we were some uncomfortable. I took stomach cramps and wished I had never seen West Texas. After daylight the employer went to a neighboring farm and came back with a bottle of Watkins liniment and poured a tablespoon in a glass of water, which I took. It did burn all the cramps away. I picked seven bales of cotton and made a few dollars. In late October I rode with these people down to Abilene, Texas

where I caught the train to Ft. Worth, bought some clothes, and returned to Haynesville.

By the way, some nights on this cotton picking expedition, a fellow named Ely and I would sleep on a load of cotton in the wagon. The last night I remember us doing so, Ely waked up in the morning and frost was all over our heads. We brushed the frost off and Ely said he had enough and left for home.

My next move, as I remember, Clift Miller, a cousin, came out to the Greens' one night and offered me a job in his drug store. I worked there for a year in 1925. Then I went to work in the Dixie Dry Goods Store in Haynesville in 1926. The store went out of business in late 1926, so I secured employment with the Hearne Dry Goods Co. in Shreveport January 10, 1927. I was lost in Shreveport, not knowing anyone, and too had fallen in love back in Haynesville with Mary "Futchie" Moseley. In June 1928 after her graduation, the Moseleys moved to Bossier City, buying a store-café and there on December 23, 1928, we were married.

I helped out in the store and on January 8, 1930 our first child was born, William Gaskell Jr. "Billie." Times were very hard in the early 1930s during the depression years. It was hard to make a living as my salary went down to \$12 a week. In July 1935 Mrs. W. F. Pregge from the L&A Rwy Auditor's Office at 110 Lake Street gave me a job for \$70 per month as a Clerk. I work on several jobs during my 24 years there. On June 30, 1959 the Lake Street office was merged with the KCS General Office and the Lake Street office was closed. I went to Kansas City for one week and said, "Good-bye."

Up there on Friday night and resigned as the circumstances did not work out. From here I went to Deramus Yard and worked for the KCS Railway truck lines from July 15, 1959 to May 31, 1970 in payroll and clerical duties until my retirement June 1970.

My Daddy started this journal when he was 78 years old. He lived one month beyond his 97<sup>th</sup> birthday, and died August 6, 2001 in Shreveport, LA. Here is a list of the people he mentions as this may be of value to others:

His parents: Samuel B. Reynolds and Alice Jane "Trebe" Morgan.

His sister: Irma Louise Reynolds Splain. Still living in California, she is 97 years old.

His brother: Roy Dalton Reynolds (possibly Leroy, as his mother referred to him in some of her letters).

Grandmother Reynolds: Frances Augusta Ferguson Reynolds, second wife of Daddy's grandfather, William L. Reynolds.

Aunt Prude Poe: sister of Frances Ferguson Reynolds, nee Prudence Ferguson, married Jess Poe.

His sister: Shirley Reynolds, adopted by Mr. & Mrs. Jim Hearne of Haynesville when she was about 18 months old. She was Shirley Hearne Helmke.

Mr. Edenborn – no relation.

Aunt Tine and Uncle Tom Lee: Lavinia Matilda Morgan, Trebe's older sister. She lived June 1, 1866 to April 1, 1957. Tom Baker Lee was her husband.

The Barnetts and their son, Otis: no relation.

Mr. & Mrs. Monroe Green, Hugh and Jewel Hardin: no relation.

Cliff Miller: referred to as a cousin, he is the son of Hester Morgan Miller, Trebe's sister. His wife: Mary Gertrude "Futchie" Moseley was the daughter of Stanton Ulyses "Jack" Moseley and Zella Agnes Gregg. Mr. Moseley co-owned a mercantile stone in Haynesville in the 1920s with a Mr. Teet.

His son: William Gaskell Reynolds, Jr. "Billie" was killed in Korea on August 5, 1952.

His other brother: Homer Obannon Reynolds. Probably lived with Grandmother Morgan (Julia Louise Morgan, widow of Alfred Gaskell Morgan) during the time their father was in Colorado, Nebraska and Wyoming. Homer died in Cheyenne, Wyoming at the age of 91. His wife, Delpha still lives there.

## Obituaries and Deaths from Northwest Louisiana Newspapers

Contributed by Wanda Volentine Head

1855/03/14 - Died on the 3rd inst., Mr. William Walker, aged 70 years, of Clifton Hill, Luzerne County, Pennsylvania. He was a native of Berwickshire, Scotland, and for the last 16 years a shining light of the Methodist Church. [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, March 14, 1855]

1855/03/14 - Died suddenly in Camden, New Jersey, on the 19th ult., Captain Thomas Cullen, aged 79 years, late of Philadelphia. [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, March 14, 1855]

1855/03/21 - Died on the 14th inst., at Greenwood, after a long and painful illness, Mr. John Quincey Egerly, aged about 22 years. [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, March 21, 1855]

1855/03/28 - We are pained to hear of the demise of Mrs. Fanny Smith Bullitt, consort of our highly valued friend and contemporary, Alex C. Bullitt of the Picayune. [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, March 28, 1855]

1855/04/04 - Died in New Orleans on the 22nd ult., little Faulk, only child of Atticus and Virginia Slaughter. [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, April 4, 1855]

1855/05/16 - Died on the 10th inst., Emma Martha, aged 14 months, only child of Mr. and Mrs. McCarty. [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, Mary 16, 1855]

1855/05/16 - Died on the 10th inst., of scarlet fever, Gracie, aged five years, daughter of Colonel Sam and Cornelia Ford. [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, May 16, 1855]

1855/05/23 - Died on the 26th inst., in Caddo Parish, Chas. N. Gary, aged about 36 years, a native of South Carolina. [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, May 23, 1855]

1855/06/06 - A gloom was thrown over our town on Saturday evening by the death of Capt. John M. Collins. During the past week he was engaged in getting the steamer Solo (Sodo?), which was aground in Loggy Bayou, afloat, and after several days of hard labor and exposure in the water succeeded in bringing her into port. On Friday morning he was taken ill, and although every effort was made to afford him relief, he died the next day. Capt. Collins was one of our oldest and most esteemed citizens and has long been distinguished for his indomitable energy, enterprise and public spirit. For the past two years he represented the first ward in the town council, and his loss will be deplored and felt by the whole community. [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, June 6, 1855]

1855/06/06 - Died yesterday, at the residence of Mr. J. Smith, Caddo Parish, Major William Terrall, aged 45 years. A prominent member of the bar, and one of the oldest citizens of Shreveport. [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, June 6, 1855]

1855/06/06 - The Louisiana Democrat records the death of Mr. L. M. Archibald, late associate editor of that paper. For the past 15 years he was connected with the press of Louisiana and was an able and fluent writer. [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, June 6, 1855]

1855/06/13 - Died on the 7th inst., at the residence of Colonel J. B. Golmer, Bossier Parish, of cholera, Mrs. Sallie Cummings, consort of R. C. Cummings (of the house of Cummings, Stewart & Co., New Orleans). [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, June 13, 1855]

1855/06/13 - The Alexandria Republican, of the 2nd inst., says the Rev. J. J. Weems, residing above the Gray's Creek settlement in the piney woods was yesterday killed by a Negro boy named Frank, about 15 years old, who was living with him and belonged to a ward. Frank chopped his head off with an axe. Only a little white boy was present. Mr. Weems was an industrious, kind-hearted and estimable man. [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, June 13, 1855]

1855/06/13 - Tribute of Respect: At a meeting of the Shreveport bar to the memory of Maj. William Terrall, June 6, 1855. (Mentions a daughter, not named) [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, June 13, 1855]

1855/06/20 - Died in this place on the 22nd inst., Mrs. Amelia Virginia, aged 22 years and 14 days, consort of Mr. Sam VanBibber, and daughter of the late Wm. A. Powell. [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, June 27, 1855]

1855/06/20 - Tribute of Respect: Joppa Lodge No. 74, F. & A.M., for John B. Stevens. [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, June 20, 1855]

1855/06/27 - Died on the 19th inst., Mr. Prolemny Hicks, aged 25 years, late of Alabama. (The Grove Hill Herald will please copy) [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, June 27, 1855]

1855/06/27 - Tribute of Respect: At a called meeting of the Jackson Temple of Honor at Greenwood, Friday evening, June 15, 1855. Death has visited our village and taken Martha Melissa, wife of Lewis T. Epps. [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, June 27, 1855]

1855/07/04 - Died at the residence of his father in Caddo Parish, on the 12th ult., William, infant son of Luke F. and Laura P. Holt. [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, July 4, 1855]

1855/07/11 - Died on the 11th inst., Mr. John B. Ohmann, aged about 23 years. [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, July 11, 1855]

1855/07/11 - Died on the 8th inst., near this place, Mr. Lemuel Austin, aged about 42 years. [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, July 11, 1855]

1855/07/18 - Died on the 15th inst., at the residence of her husband, in Bossier Parish, Mrs. Eliza Ann, aged 32 years, consort of James N. Cooper, and daughter of Livingston and Martha Gardiner. She was a native of Edgefield District, South Carolina and for 16 years a consistent member of the Baptist Church. (The Selma and Cahawaba, Alabama papers will please copy) [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, July 18, 1855]

1855/07/18 - Died on the 15th inst., Rezin Bowie Sterrett, aged 23 years, treasurer of the town of Shreveport. His loss is mourned by a doting mother, a brother, sisters, and a large circle of fiends, to whom his many good qualities had endeared him. [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, July 18, 1855]

1855/07/18 - Died on the 15th, John W., aged about 18 months, son of the late J. W. and Catherine M. Morris. [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, July 18, 1855]

1855/07/18 - Tribute of Respect: Joppa Lodge No. 74, F. & A.M., July 15 A.D. 1855 for Rezin B. Sterrett. [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, July 18, 1855]

1855/08/01 - Died at the residence of Mr. A. D. Battle, near Blossom Hill, Mr. John K. Parsons, aged about 37 years, for many years a citizen of this place. [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, August 1, 1855]

1855/08/08 - Tribute of Respect: Joppa Lodge No. 74, F. & A.M., for John K. Parson. [The South-Western, August 8, 1855]

1855/08/15 - Obituary: On the 26th of July, ult., Miss Mary Beck departed this life at Pattersonville, Louisiana. The deceased was the eldest daughter of Colonel W. C. Beck, of this place, was in the 24th year of her age. She had been for some time in delicate health and therefore went more than a year ago to visit her sister, Mrs. R. H. Read, of Pattersonville, where she remained until her death. (Memphis papers will please copy) [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, August 15, 1855]

1855/08/22 - Mr. George Murphy was accidentally drowned a few days since, near Albany in this parish. He fell off a skiff and it is supposed his head struck a stump underwater which so severely stunned him that he never rose. Mr. McClelland jumped into the water, for the

purpose of rescuing Mr. Murphy, but life was extinct before he reached him. [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, August 22, 1855]

1855/08/22 - Obituary: Died on the 30th ult., of inflammation of the brain, John Kain Parson, aged 31 years. He leaves a wife, mother, sisters, brother, and a host of friends. [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, August 22, 1855]

1855/08/22 - The New Orleans papers record that the death of Lucius C. Duncan, an old and esteemed citizen. He died from an attack of apoplexy. He was near 55 years of age, and though a native of Kentucky, had resided in the city since 1812. He was admitted to the New Orleans bar in 1822, and enjoyed an extensive practice. [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, August 22, 1855]

1855/08/22 - We are pained to learn that Samuel J. Peters, Esq., one of the oldest and most enterprising citizens of New Orleans died on the 12th. [The South-Western, Shreveport, August 22, 1855]

1855/08/29 - Died in New Orleans, on the 11th inst., at 4 o'clock p.m., Mr. Douglass H. Donovan, aged about 27 years. A native of Glamorganshire, Wales, once a resident of Shreveport. [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, August 29, 1855]

1855/08/29 - We are deeply pained to learn that Andrew S. Flower, Esq., the worth editor of the Mansfield Times, died a few days since. Business called him to Baton Rouge and New Orleans and whilst on his return home he was attacked by yellow fever, and breathed his last on board of the wharf boat at the mouth of Red River. His loss will be deeply regretted. [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, August 29, 1855]

1855/10/03 - We regret to perceive by the New Orleans paper that Colonel Robert W. Powell (of the firm Powell & Hopkins), died a few days ago at the lake end of the Pontchantrain railroad. Colonel Powell enjoyed a large amount of the confidence and business of the cotton planters of eastern Texas, and by his probity and rectitude won the esteem of all who transacted commercial affairs with him. [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, October 3, 1855]

1855/10/10 - At the latest date the yellow fever had broken out with increased fatality at Norfolk, according to a letter received by us from a member of New Orleans Howard Association, now on duty at Norfolk, and also one from Mr. Balentine, of the Mobile Tribune, dated the 19th, the deaths in Norfolk and Portsmouth average eighty per day. Among the victims was a Miss McHenry (or McIlhenny) of Monroe, Louisiana. [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, October 10, 1855]

1855/10/10 - Died on the 6th inst., at her father's plantation, Caddo Parish, Talula, aged six years, daughter of James H. and Ann Bryant. [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, October 10, 1855]

1855/10/10 - Died on the 8th inst., at the same place (Caddo Parish), Mrs. Ann S., aged about 45 years, consort of Mr. James H. Bryant, formerly of Georgia. [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana October 10, 1855]

1855/10/31 - Caught: We learn from the Picayune that Sergeant Kearney and Officer Howard, on the 19th inst., captured Robert Jones, alias John Briggs, alias, Aaron Briggs, on the levee, as a fugitive from justice. The prisoner, it is alleged, murdered a man named Buck Clark, at Shreveport, in the parish of Caddo, about one year ago. He was arrested at the time that the offense was committed, but broke out of prison and has ever since been wandering about a fugitive from justice. His resistance, when the officers undertook to arrest him, was of a most desperate character. [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, October 31, 1855]

1855/10/31 - Died on the 29th inst., at his plantation, near this place, Mr. Ballard F. Epps, and old and respected citizen of Caddo Parish. [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, October 31, 1855]

1855/10/31 - Samuel L. Webb, Adjutant General of the State of Louisiana, died at New Orleans, on the 19th inst., after a short illness. He was much esteemed by a large circle of friends, and acquaintances. The Governor has already received several applicants for the vacant office. [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, October 31, 1855]

1855/10/31 - The Vicksburg Whig records the death of the Hon. Caswell R. Clifton. Judge Clifton has filled several important offices in Mississippi, and was at the time of his demise clerk of the high court of errors and appeals. [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, October 31, 1855]

1855/10/31 - We regret to notice in the Concordia Intelligeneer the death of Dr. John A. Sanderson, at Etania plantation, of the yellow fever. He was one of the richest planters of Louisiana or the south, being the proprietor of Deer Park, Panola, Waverly, and the Briar's plantations and was much esteemed. [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, October 31, 1855]

1855/11/07 - Died at the City Hotel, on the 2nd inst., Mr. W. G. Lewis, attorney at law, of Mansfield. [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, November 7, 1855]

1855/11/07 - Died on the 3rd inst., Mr. J. R. Jones, carpenter, aged about 35 years. [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana November 7, 1855]

1855/11/21 - Died on the 14th inst., Mrs. Martha Ann Stewart, consort of H. T. Stewart, aged 38 years, a native of Tennessee. (Memphis papers please notice) [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, November 21, 1855]

1855/11/28 - Died at Cincinnati, on the 1st inst., of typhoid fever, Mrs. Mary Jane, age 31 years, consort of William D. Bateman, of the steamer, St. Charles. [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, November 28, 1855]

1855/12/05 - We learn from Mr. J. C. Geiger that a gentleman named Edward Burns, fell overboard from the steamer, Swan, and was drowned, on the evening of the 24th ult. He was on his way to Shreveport. [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana December 5, 1855]

1856/01/02 - Died on the 27 ult., Anne, infant daughter of the Hon. Roland and Anne N. Jones. [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, January 2, 1856]

1856/01/16 - Died at Austin, Texas, on the 25th ult., Mrs. Lenora Poland, aged 30 years, consort of John S. Poland. [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, January 16, 1856]

1856/01/16 - Died yesterday, Mary L., aged two years and one day, daughter of Levin and Virginia Ann Knox. [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, January 16, 1856]

1856/01/16 - We regret to learn that Captain Hawes, of the steamer, Victoria, was accidentally drowned a few days since on the falls. He was in the yawl, for the purpose of getting a hawser out, and his legs becoming entangled in the coil, he was pulled overboard. His body was recovered but life had fled. Captain Hawes was an enterprising and energetic man, and his loss will be deplored in the sea coast ports of Texas, where he was well-known. [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, January 16, 1855]

1856/01/23 - Mr. James G. Cox for many years a citizen of this parish, set out with his Negroes some time in December for western Texas where he had determined to locate. We learn while crossing a prairie forty miles wide the cold northern attacked his party and eight of his Negroes froze to death, and two of his wagons were cut up and burned as fuel to save the lives of himself and the balance of his Negroes. Mr. Cox was himself seriously ill. (From the Caddo Gazette) (Note added: We are informed that the above is incorrect.) [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, January 23, 1856]

1856/01/23 - The will of John D. Fink, a well-known rich old miser, who died in New Orleans a few days since without having any family or relations in the United States has been proven and filed in the second district court. He was a native of Wirtemburg and about 70 years old when he died. He had resided in New Orleans between 35 or 40 years. (Other information on where his money was given, etc.) [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, January 23, 1856]

1856/01/30 - Died on the 25th inst., Mary Jane, aged two years and one month, daughter of Joel and Rebecca Tallmadge. [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, January 30, 1856]

1856/02/13 - Died in New Orleans, on the 3rd inst., Louis H. Pibie, aged sixteen months, son of L. C. and Margaret Dillard. [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, February 13, 1856]

1856/02/13 - The Minden Herald says a few days ago D. J. Morris killed John Markham, both of Claiborne Parish, by stabbing him in the breast and side. It occurred at the house of Morris. The case was investigated before Judge H. A. Drew and Morris was discharged. [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, February 13, 1856]

1856/03/26 - Died on the 22nd inst., Mr. William Thompson, aged about 36 years, a native of North Carolina. [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, March 26. 1856]

1856/03/26 - Died on the 23 rd inst., Helen S., infant daughter of W. F. and Ann Murray. [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, March 26, 1856]

1856/04/02 - Died at the Bone-yard ranch, halfway from Gorote to Maxwell's creek, California, on the 28th January, of typhoid fever, Thomas Gamblin, aged 45 years, a native of

South Carolina, and late of Shreveport. [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, April 2, 1856]

1856/04/09 - Fatal Accident: On Sunday evening, as the steamer, Financier, from Jefferson, was landing at this port, a youth named Charlton Dickinson, a passenger, in removing a shot gun which had been placed between a number of trunks, accidentally shot himself and died in a few minutes. Coroner Bauman held an inquest over the remains and the jury brought in a verdict in accordance with the foregoing statement. Dickinson was about 16 years of age, and was attached to the circus corps. [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, April 9, 1856]

1856/04/23 - Died on the 21st inst., Mr. John Kerley. [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, April 23, 1856]

1856/04/23 - Died on the 21st inst., Thomas Neuville, aged one year, infant son of Dr. and Mrs. William H. Williams. [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, April 23, 1856]

1856/04/23 - The Oldest Man Dean! "Doctor Jim," a well-known colored man in this parish, aged upward of 125 years, died in this place on last Saturday morning. The old man boasted much of having been the play-fellow of General Washington, and could relate many circumstances connected with the American Revolution. He was perfectly familiar with the names of the ancient families about Fredericksburg, Virginia, such as: Spottswood, Dangerfield, Thornton, Lewis, Willis, Throckmorton, Barton, French, Wellford, Chew, Fitzhugh, & others. Dr. Jim retained until the day before his death, the full use of all his faculties, and walked several miles daily and often spoke of getting a young wife. [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, April 23, 1856]

1856/05/07 - We regret to learn that lady of Senator Rusk of Texas died not long since at Nacogdoches after a severe illness. [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana May 7, 1856]

1856/05/21 - Died in this place, on the 18th inst., Mr. H. C. Atchison, of Preston, Texas. [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, May 21, 1856]

1856/05/28 - A fatal due between two merchants of New Orleans took place at Pass Christian on the 21st inst. Mr. Michael Cuddy, of the commission house of Brown, Cuddy & Co. and the banking house of Brown, Johnson & Co., challenged Robert W. Eastlin, cotton factor. They fought, with pistols at ten paces and at the second fire Mr. Cuddy fell mortally wounded, surviving but a few minutes, the ball having passed through his body and striking his left hand on the opposite side. Mr. Eastlin was also slightly wounded. The difficulty originated about the amount of damages on a few bales of cotton. [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, May 28, 1856]

1856/05/28 - Murder: We are indebted to R. T. Buckner, Esq., for the following extract from a letter written by Mr. N. Jones and dated Jonesville, Texas, May 22, 1856: As Napoleon Jones and T. C. Bently were returning from a fishing excursion in the company with some other friends, and just after parting with the latter, they in a buggy, laughing and talking, were passed by Lodwick P. Alford with a double-barrel gun on his shoulder, shot T. C. Bently in the right breast and he died immediately. He shot at Jones but missed him. Jones got away to a neighboring house whole Alford was reloading his gun. The perpetrator is in custody of the sheriff. [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, May 28, 1856]

1856/06/11 - Died in Greenwood, Monday, 9th inst., at 10 o'clock a.m., Ida, infant daughter of Thos. H. P. and Cecelia Scott, aged four months of cholera infantum, with which the brain was implicated. She was attacked very severely on Saturday night and appeared to suffer the most excruciating pain until Monday morning when it was relieved of all its suffering. [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, June 11, 1856]

1856/06/11 - Died in Minden, Louisiana on the 5th June 1856, Johana Josephine Ellenore, in the eighth year of her age, daughter of William Jasper and Elizabeth Armilda Blackburn. [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, June 11, 1856]

1856/06/11 - Died on the 4th inst., Edward Pomroy, aged two years and five months, eldest son of Nat. and Lucy J. Moore. [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, June 11, 1856]

1856/06/11 - Died on the 9th inst., Mr. Thomas Robinson, carpenter, aged about 42 years, for some time a resident of this place. [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, June 11, 1856]

1856/06/11 - We learn with extreme regret that Mr. David Martin, for many years editor of the Louisiana (Alexandria) Democrat, died at Baton Rouge, on the 1st inst. He was the ablest democratic writer in the state. [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, June 11, 1856]

1856/06/18 - Died at 10 o'clock Saturday night, 14th inst., William Logan, aged two years, seven months, and 26 days, son of J. J. and Rebecca Kline. [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, June 18, 1856]

1856/06/25 - Died on the 19th inst., Charlotte Maria, aged 16 months and 12 days, daughter of J. M. and S. F. Landrum. [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, June 25, 1856]

1856/06/25 - Died on the 21st inst., Anna Ona, aged 18 months and 22 days, daughter of G. W. and Martha Goodwyn. (New Orleans Christian Advocate please notice) [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, June 25, 1856]

1856/06/25 - Died on the 21st inst., Mr. Robert Burnshide, aged 24 years, a native of Scotland, but for the last 45 years a citizen of the United States. He fought under Jackson at the Battle of New Orleans. [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, June 25, 1856]

1856/06/25 - Died on the 22nd inst., Bettie, infant daughter of Wm. And Elizabeth Thatcher. [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, June 25, 1856]

1856/07/02 - Died on the 26th ult., Josephine Amanda Fitzeland, aged three years, daughter of Joel and Rebecca Talmadge. [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, July 2, 1856]

1856/07/02 - Killed: Mr. John R. Stark, a well known butcher of this place, while crossing Texas Street, near the market, early Thursday night, was shot and died in a few seconds. Two inquests were held over the remains. One by the coroner, the other by Justice Roberson, but no clue could be found as to who committed the deed. The affair is a complete mystery; on the person of Stark two loaded pistols and a bowie knife were found. [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, July 2, 1856]

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1856/07/09 - Died on the 3rd inst., Mr. Ludlow Lodwick, son of Captain J. F. Lodwick, of the steamer, B. E. Clark. [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, July 9, 1856]

1856/07/23 - Died on the 21st inst., John William, aged 16 moths, adopted son of John S. and Mary Allwine. [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, July 23, 1856]

1856/07/23 - Mr. Gabriel G. Bell, a carpenter, late of Memphis, on Thursday evening, jumped into the river and was drowned. He had taken passage on the Camden, and finding that the boat had left the landing he attempted to swim after her. It is thought he was deranged at the time. [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, July 23, 1856]

1856/08/06 - Died on the 21st ult., in New Orleans, Josiah Hale, M. D., a native of Virginia. He resided for many years in Alexandria, Louisiana, where he was much esteemed for his moral worth and scientific attainments. During the yellow fever epidemic of 1853, he visited Shreveport, and did every thing in his power to relieve the suffering of the sick, and stay the ravages of the disease. [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, August 6, 1856]

1856/08/06 - Died on the 31st ult., of consumption, Mr. Matthew Meisner, aged about 40 years, an industrious and upright citizen, respected by all who knew him. [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, August 6, 1856]

1856/08/13 - More Bloodshed: Coroner Bauman, on the 9th inst., held an inquest at Bethany on the body of Seaborn W. Johnson. The jury rendered a verdict that the deceased came to his death by a pistol ball fired by F. M. Flynn. Flynn is now in jail at this place. [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, August 13, 1856]

1856/08/27 - Obituary: Thomas Jenkins departed this life on the 23rd inst., of congestive fever, at his residence in Greenwood, in the 38th year of his age, leaving behind an only child, a daughter of eleven. He was a gentleman of refined feelings, pleasant manners, and beloved by all who knew him. He had been a resident of this place for 14 years and has left a host of fiends, relatives and acquaintances to bemourn his loss. (Florence, Alabama Gazette please copy) [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, August 27, 1856]

1856/08-27 - We regret to notice in the New Orleans papers the death of Colonel Samuel W. Oakey, of the house of Oakey & Hawkins, and one of the oldest American merchants in the city. Col. Oakey was native of Albany, New York and some 35 years ago removed to New Orleans and engaged in the wholesale dry goods trade, which he continued with great success until 1836, when he entered into the cotton factorage and commission business. His loss will be deeply regretted by a large circle of friends. [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, August 13, 1856]

1856/09/10 - Correspondence to the South-Western, Hot Springs, Arkansas, August 15. Concerning the murder of Professor Charles Wilson, an ambro-typist, killed by two Irish deck hands hired to row him from Little Rock to Pine Bluff on the Arkansas River. He had been in Shreveport last spring. He was an Englishman by birth and well known in St. Louis, where he formerly resided. [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, September 10, 1856]

# Boggy Bayou Cemetery Caddo Parish, Louisiana

This Cemetery is located behind the second house on Buncombe Road, traveling east from US Highway #79 in Bethany, Caddo Parish, Louisiana. This is in Section 17 Township 16 Range 16W. The GPS location is N322221-W940158. The cemetery contains four old cast iron fence enclosures. Most are damaged and the tombstones inside are damaged. The cemetery is in very poor condition. No upkeep has been done in many years. It is within a small clump of trees, where cattle are keep and it appears that the cattle has knocked over nearly every tombstone. Survey was made Nov 17, 2002. Listings noted with [n1], which were found listed on an earlier listing, were not located at this time.





WOODALL, Joanna (w/o R. H. Woodall)	11	Sep	1846	07	Dec	1868
GUILL, Margaret (w/o D. R. LEE)	20	Feb	1850	19	Aug	1869
ARRINGTON, Martha (Mother)[n1] (b. Newberry Dist., SC; Member Boggy Ba	5.5	C. S. Alb. 1	1810 ist)	22	Nov	1868
DAVIS, D. A. [nl]	05	Feb	1858	0.8	Jan	1888
DAVIS, Mattie E. [nl] (w/o J. N. JERNIGAN) (age 41 yrs 22 days		Oct	1858	06	Oct	1899
DAVIS, Winnie Leal (d/o J. M. & Mary J. Davis)			1900			1905
MILLS, Pearl (w/o D. F. Mills)	16	Mar	1885	06	Dec	1905
DAVIS, Mary Jane [nl] (w/o J. M. Davis)			1861			1921
DAVIS, Margaret [nl] (w/o A. J. Davis)			1828			1921

27 Oct 1883 02 May 1924 McANN, Mary Elizabeth 22 Jan 1858 16 Jan 1891 McANN, \*Mary Frances 06 Nov 1888 27 ?? 1887 \*Robert Clifton



Marker for Mary Frances & Robert McANN

McANN, \*David G. HARRIS, \*Mary J.

02 Nov 1831 17 Jan 1865 03 Jan 1842

24 Apr 1909



Marker for David McANN & Mary J. HARRIS

OWENS, Sallie [n1] 06 Dec 1847 04 Aug 1902 (w/o W. J. Owens)

TUCKER, M. A. [n1] (b. Laurens Co., SC) 06 Mar 1827 07 Sep 1878

RUDD, John (age 68 yrs) [Mason]

19 Jun 1874

RUDD, Elizabeth 10 Sep 1812 24 Jul 1859 (d/o James & Frances Hill; b. SC; w/o John Rudd) [vault]



Elizabeth Rudd marker

RUDD, Joseph (s/o J. & E. Rudd) (b. Newberry Dist.,	06 Apr 1834 16 Jan 1 SC, d. Panola Co. Tx)	859
HILL, John T. [nl] (s/o James & Frances Hill)	17 Jan 1825 10 Feb 1	860
VANCE, W. M.	27 Jan 1861 27 Jul 1	861
VANCE, W. L.	07 Jun 1825 19 Oct 1	863
VANCE, L. C.	18 May 1856 13 Sep 1	864



L. C. Vance marker

VANCE, S. C.		24 J	Jul	1862	10	Jul	1985
RUDD, Joseph	[n1]	20 M	far	1779	07	Jan	1867

RUDD, Mattie E. [nl] (w/o John S. Rudd)

11 Sep 1837 12 Jul 1860

VANCE, Lafayette (s/o J R. Vance) Jan 1877

1878



Markers for Lafayette & Ella VANCE

VANCE, Ella (d/o J. R. Vance)	01	May	1878			1878
WELLBORN, *Carrie Lee	29	Sep	1858	11	Jan	1898
*John S.	11	Feb	1855	26		1913
HOOD, William H.	27	Feb	1875	19	Aug	1877
HILL, F. M. [nl] 02 Nov 1863 15 Nov 1901						
HENSLEY, Gertrude [nl] (d/o L. C. & Georgia Hensley)	04	Jan	1878	05	Aug	1880
WOMACK, L. A. [n1]	28	Dec	1821	28	Feb	1870
BATEMAN, Mable V.  (b. Panola Co., TX; d. Shreveport, LA)(c. Bateman)			1888 . & V. A		Feb	1891

BATEMAN, Frances H.

[no dates]

B., V. A. E. [footstone only - no dates]

5 17 Feb 1903
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[Markers listed below were located but not on earlier list.]

DAVIS, M. J. 06 Jul 1826 04 Jul 1881

DAVIS, Anna Virginia 07 Oct 1868 07 Aug 1907 (w/o William Davis)

Davis, J. M. 1856 1907

D., W. M. [foot marker only]
D., F. B. [foot marker only]

JOHNS, Ella 14 Mar 1858 24 May 1878 {md J. R. VANCE 23 Apr 1876}[d/o John Bunyon JOHNS & Jane Elizabeth HARMAN]



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