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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:

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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Our quarterly publication, THE JOURNAL, welcomes unpublished material pertaining to genealogy and history, particularly in North Louisiana.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 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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THE PRESIDENT'S PAGE

Dear Friends,

Thank you for allowing me to continue as your president in the forthcoming term. I also want to thank our former presidents: Wanda Volentine Head, LaJuana Butler Goldsby, Jane Leslie Newberry and Charles W. Sedam for the excellent examples set for this office and organization. I am very proud of this organization and its' membership. Thank you to our founding members. As we begin our eleventh year, I want to acknowledge our early leaders. Our original Board of Directors were: Wanda Volentine Head, President; LaJuana Butler Goldsby, First Vice President; Lou Wiltcher Martin, Second Vice President; Mary Thrash Day, Secretary; Ruthann Pearce Billimek, Treasurer; Joyce Shannon Bridges, Publication Editor; Jimmie Jean Pate Bowman, Historian; Jane Leslie Newberry, Trustee; and Quinby McMullan, Trustee. To these we owe a debt of gratitude, as we do to all the founding members.

To carry us into the new millennium (1999-2000), our new Board of Directors will be: Laura Hair Duffy, President; Benjamin Achee, First Vice President; Wanda Volentine Head, Second Vice President; Danielle Neal, Secretary; Rachael McIntyre Mangum, Treasurer; Linda Campbell Yoblonsky; Janine Johnson Dunlap, Editor; Historian; Darlene Jackson Hofer, Trustee; Kenna Armentrout Dossett, Trustee; Jane Leslie Newberry, Trustee; Jimmie Jean Pate Bowman, Trustee; and Charles W. Sedam, Past President. To every member, I hope your New Year's Resolution is: Become more involved with Friends of Genealogy, Inc.; Volunteer to be on a Committee!

The genealogical community suffered a great loss in October, 1998. Please read the tribute to Bill Randolph by Marjorie Wright in this issue. Should you desire to make a donation in his memory, our Memorial Fund donation form is on page 198.

Myra Vanderpool Gormley, C.G., will be the speaker for our Seminar and Book Fair to be held on March 6, 1999. The registration form, which includes her topics and information, appears on the next page. Register early!

MERRY CHRISTIMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Thank you for being a Friend of Genealogy, *Laura Hair Duffy, President*

FRIENDS OF GENEALOGY, INC.
ANNUAL GENEALOGICAL SEMINAR & BOOK FAIR

MYRA VANDERPOOL GORMLEY, C. G.

MARCH 6, 1999

Myra Vanderpool Gormley, C. G. is an internationally renowned journalist and author. She is coeditor of several internet newsletters, including *Missing Links*, *Shaking Your Family Tree*, and *RootsWeb Review* and has written several books and numerous articles for various genealogical publications. Her topics for this seminar will include:

- Family Diseases -- This definitely should be a part of your research procedures; Myra will give you tips on how to find and record this information.
- Finding and Identifying Immigrant Ancestors -- Locating the ships on which your immigrant ancestors arrived and determining the exact origins of your families in the "old country."
- Getting Your Ox Out of the Ditch -- Tricks and common-sense methods to solving your genealogical problems.
- If It Please the Court -- An overview of American civil and criminal court records and how to use them to solve genealogical problems.

Various vendors will have genealogical books and materials available. Interested vendors may write or call Laura Duffy before February 10, 1999. Also, books and materials donated to our organization for review and placement in the Genealogy Collection at the Shreve Memorial Library will be on display.

The registration fee is \$25.00 and includes a "lite lunch" and materials. Pre-registration is advised; there will be limited seating available. To have your surnames included in the program listing, please send in your registration by February 20, 1999.

Registration begins at 8:00 a.m. and the program is 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the
Summer Grove United Methodist Church
9119 Dean Road (off Bert Kouns Ind. Loop)
Shreveport, Louisiana 71118

If you have any questions or need directions, call Laura Duffy at 318-424-7648 or Wanda Head at 318-929-1730. Make your check payable to Friends of Genealogy, Inc. and mail it and the registration form below to P. O. Box 17835, Shreveport, LA 71138-0835.

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ADDRESS _____
CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP+4 _____
Surnames (with locations) Researched (Limit 4) _____

MARK YOUR CALENDAR



Meeting dates scheduled for 1999 by Friends of Genealogy, Inc.:

January 2, 1999	February 6, 1999	March 6, 1999 (Seminar)
April 3, 1999	May 1, 1999	June 5, 1999
July (No Meeting)	August 7, 1999	September 4, 1999
October 2, 1999	November 6, 1999	December 4, 1999

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 Ben Achée (318-746-688) or Laura Duffy (318-424-7648) for up-to-date program information.

A TRIBUTE TO BILL RANDOLPH

(By Margery Wright)

During his lifetime, Bill Randolph wore many hats: Naval officer, electrician, real estate developer, investor, gardener, vestryman, genealogist, mayor, Democratic Party committee man, club member, and friend. For more than thirty-five years I was privileged to be Bill's friend as well as sharing in many of these same interests.

To say that Bill gardened is like saying Pavoretti sings some. He was a forerunner of recycling with composting and mulching. His fantastic garden was a thing of beauty. True to his nature, Bill shared generously and graciously with any and all who came to gather the bountiful harvests. He also shared the plants, the seeds, and compost. When spring comes, I will miss the vegetables that always came wrapped in the *Wall Street Journal*. A true gentleman farmer.

His deep religious faith knew no bounds and guided his life. He decided to build a Catholic Church in Waskom [TX], a WASP community. He bought a tree-studded lot and set to work. He built it and they did come. St. Lawrence Church opened with about a hundred parishioners. He enjoyed being lay reader and vestryman. In his youth he entered a Franciscan monastery, but left before final vows. He never lost that close association with his faith; in fact, he did regular retreats to a monastery.

Even though a bachelor, he was involved with family. He and his sister, Wanda Smoak, shared many interests, such as china collecting. His godson, Dr. William Randolph Procell, was a source of pride.

His genealogy was an important part of his busy life. Bill was a self-taught genealogist, using his time at sea for extensive reading. Being a careful, knowledgeable researcher, he earned his reputation as an authority on the Randolphs of Virginia.

His willingness to share his knowledge was legendary. He taught many of us the importance of understanding the world in which our ancestors lived. However, less well known was his generosity in supplying resources for securing research material in our library and others. Bill also worked with genealogy groups to promote genealogy and to preserve our heritage.

Bill's greatest asset was that of friend. His picture should be in the dictionary to define the word "Friend." The genealogical and historical community has lost a major pillar. I have lost a friend.

*Sunset and evening star,
And one clear call for me!
And may there be no moaning of the bar
When I put out to sea.*

ASK

Miss Ima G* Bugg

* Genealogy



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 Ima G* Bugg: Everyone called my grandfather "Grandpa Pink." I learned recently that his given name was John Pinckney. It seems that the name "Pink" (or Pinckney) was fairly common during the early to mid-1800s. Any idea of how it started?

Dear Tickled Pink: You bet! Pinckney was the name of a prominent family in the pre-Revolutionary War era in South Carolina. Elizabeth Lucas Pinckney is credited with the development of the process of making dye from the indigo plants. She managed three plantations with the indigo plants as the primary crop. The rich blue dye created a large demand in Europe in the years preceding the Revolution. Elizabeth Lucas married Charles Pinckney who was selected to serve as colonial agent in London. Charles died in 1758 just after they had returned to America. President George Washington, at his request, served as a pallbearer for Elizabeth's funeral as a token of appreciation for her contributions to the Revolution.

The two sons, Charles Pinckney and Thomas Pinckney, both had illustrious careers. Charles Pinckney served as a member of the Constitutional Convention, Minister to France, and ran as a Federalist for vice-president and president. Thomas Pinckney served as governor of South Carolina, and as a U. S. Representative. He is best remembered for the Pinckney Treaty (1795) with Spain. This treaty established the southern boundary of the US with the Spanish territory which included Florida and the areas along the Gulf coast to the Mississippi River. The treaty also gave the U. S. access to the mouth of the Mississippi duty free. This treaty was probably important to the settlers of Georgia and South Carolina since the negotiations could have established the boundary much further north in an effort to gain duty-free access to the mouth of the Mississippi. This duty-free port was critical to the development of the then western expanse of the U. S.

So it seems the name Pinckney played an important part in the development of the areas that were home to some many of our forebears. *(Thanks to member John Albritton)*



Dear Miss Bugg: I saw the word "cenotaph" on a tombstone recently – what does it mean?

Dear Curious: "Cenotaph" engraved on a tombstone indicated an empty grave, with the stone erected in honor or memory of a person buried elsewhere. It is often erected in honor of a person lost at sea.



FELLOWSHIP BAPTIST CHURCH Dubach, Lincoln Parish, Louisiana

As the twentieth century begins to wind down, the historic Fellowship Baptist Church of Dubach will celebrate its 150th anniversary on 1 July 1998. Founded in 1848 with only eighteen members, this church has taken its place as an import body of believers. It towers as a pillar of strength at a time when the foundation of America is quavering. Not once in all these years has it hesitated on its mission of taking the gospel to the people.

This historic old church was founded by the Rev. Elias **George** as its pastor and Elias **George**, Presbytery. Charter members were (1) Andrew **Mayes**, ordained deacon, (2) Isaac **Mayes**, ordained deacon, (3) Wiley **Cook**, ordained deacon, (4) Thomas H. **Wright**, (5) George W. **Moore**, (6) John C. **Glaze**, (7) Mary M. **Mayes**, (8) Mary **Wright**, (9) Mary O. **Wright**, (10) Jincy **Wright**, (11) Cinthia L. **Cook**, (12) Elization P. **Cook**, (13) Ann E. **Moore**, (14) Susan **Davis**, (15) William S. **Norris**, (16) John E. **Norris**, (17) Harriet E. **Norris**, and (18) Celia I. **Norris**.

In September, 1848, Martin S. **Bagwell**, Sydney **Bagwell**, and others were received by experience. They had moved to the Fellowship community from the state of Alabama. The area was then known as Union Parish, Louisiana.

By 1849, Martin **Bagwell** was dismissed by letter, at his request.

In July, 1850, Furney **Bagwell** and others were appointed to a newly formed building committee. Jesse **Tubbs** was pastor. In 1854, a new committee was formed. No **Bagwells** were on the new committee.

In September, 1854, Furney **Bagwell**, Robert **Bagwell**, and Elizabeth **Bagwell** were received by letter. Mahulda **Lewis** was also received by letter. She married Andrew Jackson **Bagwell** on 18 January 1855. All of these **Bagwells** were the children of Parthenia **Bayless** and Furney O. **Bagwell** who had settled in the area with their ten children: (1) Cynthia, (2) Bayless, (3) Robert, (4) Susan, (5) Robert, (6) Mary Elizabeth, (7) George Washington, (8) Andrew Jackson, (9) Leroy C., and (10) Lucas. Robert was killed by Buck **Mayes** before 10 November 1860 when his land was deeded to his brother, Bayless **Bagwell** (J461 – Union Parish, LA).

It was in 1858 that Catherine and Bayless **Bagwell** built a home located about one mile behind the old homeplace of Harvey Bell **Anderson** and Willie Oran **Bagwell**. They were the parents of: (1) Emanuel Dewitt, (2) Robert Jefferson, (3) Alice, (4) Manson F., (5) Aletha Angelina (who married Parker **Knowles**), (6)

John Green, (7) Michael Horace, (8) Aaron, (9) Benjamin Franklin, and (10) George Washington (who married Elsie **Leguin**). Ted **Knowles** is a descendant of Aletha Angelina **Bagwell Knowles**. Today, he serves the church as a deacon.

It was in September, 1860, when a letter of dismissal was granted to F. **Bagwell** and Leroy **Bagwell** at their request.

Callie Clarissa **Thomas** and Robert Jefferson **Bagwell** built a home located at 4853 Highway 151 and raised their children in the Fellowship Baptist Church. Most are interred in the Church Cemetery. Their children were: (1) Everett Lee, (2) Aletha May, (3) Lotress Cleve (buried at the Evergreen Baptist Church Cemetery in Union Parish, LA, (4) Oscar Jeffers, (5) Rosa Edwin, (6) Willie Oran, (7) Grady Elma, (8) Robert Pecola, (9) Jesse Douglas, (10) Curtis B., (11) Stillborn Child, and (12) Lavada (who married Herbert **Deloach**). Donna and Cade **Moffett** were living in the family home in 1997.

Henry **Watts** is the grandson of Willie Oran **Bagwell**. He is also an ordained deacon. W. O. **Bagwell, Jr.** is the youngest child of Willie Oran **Bagwell**. Grady **Bagwell** is the son of Curtis B. **Bagwell**.

Terry **Knowles** is a descendant of Aletha Angelina and Parker **Knowles**. He is also an ordained deacon.

My grandson, Cade Alan **Moffett** was baptised in a very impressive service at the Fellowship Baptist Church on 1 September 1986. Rev. Randy **Lee** had the deacons hold hands and form a circle around Cade. They promised their guidance in promoting Cade's spiritual growth in **Christ**. Both he and Donna will need their prayers as he grows up in the Fellowship Community. Thank **God** for being so good to the **Bagwell** family, and thank **God** for Fellowship Baptist Church! I do not know the names of three of the deacons who were there the night Cade was baptised. I wish I knew their names.

Cade **Moffett**, son of:
Donna **Moffett**, daughter of
Sherry **Gresham Gritzbaugh**, daughter of
Ressie **Bagwell Gresham**, daughter of
Latress Cleve **Bagwell**, son of
R. J. **Bagwell**, son of
Bayless **Bagwell**, son of
Flurney O. **Bagwell**

This article was submitted by Sherry Gresham Gritzbaugh, 4507 Verone Street, Bellaire, TX 77401-5513.



FROM OUR EXCHANGE QUARTERLIES



LEON COUNTY (TX) PROBATE RECORDS -- Continuing series beginning with Probate Book A, September term, 1846.

The Leon Hunters, Vol. XVIII, No 3 (Spring 1997), Centerville, TX

YELLOW FEVER IN DECATUR, AL -- Account of the 1888 epidemic, generally attributed to a stranger by the name of Livingston.

Morgan Memories, Vol. 5, No. 1 (March 1998), Decatur, AL

THE BATTLE OF PLEASANT HILL -- This issue contains several detailed articles, including pictures and maps, of this battle beginning 9 Apr 1864 in DeSoto Parish, LA.

DeSoto Plume, Vol. XXXIII, No. 1 (Winter 1998), Mansfield, LA

INDEX TO PROBATE PACKETS, BOSSIER PARISH LA -- Continuing series shows Name, Type of Record, and Date. Some Tutorship records show names of minors.

Claiborne Parish Trails, Vol. XIII, No. 3 (Third Quarter, 1998), Shreveport, LA

1911 OBITUARIES REPORTED IN NACOGDOCHES, TX -- A collection of obituaries from various sources.

Yesterdays, Vol. XVIII, No. 2 (Sept 1998), Nacogdoches, TX

RESIDENTS OF RAPIDES PARISH (LA) IN 1810 -- This is a listing of the heads-of-households from the 1810 Federal Population Census, the first for Louisiana.

American Genealogy Magazine, Vol. 12, No. 1 (March 1997), Stephenville, TX

1849 COBB COUNTY (GA) TAX DIGEST -- This listing for Militia District 845 contains Name, Poll, Slaves, Land, No., District, and County.

Family Tree Quarterly, Vol. 8, No. 2 (1998), Marietta, GA

THE CLOUDS OF LA – A TRIBUTE TO HERMAN CLOUD -- This article was written by Dr. Tommy G. Johnson in memory of Herman Cloud, a noted historian. Those mentioned in connection with the research done on the Cloud family include David Crockett and Capt. William Harrison. Other family names include: Owens, Marrs, and Lacy.

The Natchitoches Genealogist, Vol. XXIII, No. 2 (October 1998), Natchitoches, LA

THE CLARKE COUNTY (AL) POST, SUGGSVILLE -- Newspaper extracts beginning in 1836 of genealogical interest.

Clarke County Historical Quarterly, Vol. 22, No 2 (Fall 1997), Jackson, AL

ARKANSAS CONFEDERATE VETERANS LIVING IN OKLAHOMA IN 1911 -- Listing includes Name, Rank, Company, Regiment & Arm, and Address.

Arkansas Family Historian, Vol. 36, No. 2 (June 1998), Hot Springs, AR

THE FORGOTTEN CHRISTMAS TREE LADY OF SHREVEPORT

By Jane Leslie Newberry

They called her “The Christmas Tree Lady,” and for hundreds of poverty-stricken children in the 1920s and 1930s, Adah Hill Vinson DeLay was the single most important person in their lives at Christmas time. Each year, she would place a Christmas tree at the Shreveport City Hall Auditorium. Then the inhabitants of the old folk’s home and the orphanage, along with hundreds of children, would receive gifts of toys, candies, fruits and, particularly, warm friendship. More often than not, she would use her own money for her project.

But the Christmas tree project was far from the only philanthropic work that was done by Adah DeLay. More important was the child welfare program she instituted in which she placed more than 2,000 orphaned or abandoned children in good homes. Today, however, she lies in an unmarked grave at Oakland Cemetery in Shreveport, Louisiana – forgotten. *[Editor’s Note: The Shreveport Chapter UDC helped to put a permanent marker at her grave in 1996. The inscription reads “The Christmas Lady” and states that she was a charter member of the Shreveport Chapter #237, United Daughters of the Confederacy.]*

Not too long ago, the Louisiana State University – Shreveport Archive Department had a request for information about Adah DeLay from one of those orphans. Unfortunately, there was none available. Then, after extensive research, her burial place was finally located, in her beloved Oakland Cemetery – another of her projects. But, who was Adah Vinson DeLay? What was it that drove her to use all of her financial resources in these philanthropic endeavors?

Adah Hill Vinson was the daughter of Richard Tucker Vinson and Sallie Hill. Richard Vinson was the son of James B. and Lucy T. Harper Vinson. James B., born in Tennessee, was a large sugar planter in Assumption Parish, Louisiana, and had emigrated to that area about 1832. During the Civil War, he brought his family to Caddo Parish to escape the Federal forces that had occupied his plantation. His son, Richard Tucker Vinson, born on July 20, 1842, was educated at Centenary College in Jackson, Louisiana, and volunteered in the Confederate Army during his junior year, serving as a captain with the 5th Company, Washington Artillery. After the war he became a planter in Bossier Parish and became active in politics. He served as mayor of Shreveport from 1890 to 1896. He married Sallie Hill on August 3, 1864 in Shreveport and the couple had two children, Adah Hill, born circa 1880, and Allen.¹ Richard T. Vinson died February 21, 1904 and is buried at Oakland Cemetery in Shreveport. Sallie Hill Vinson died December 6, 1914 and is also buried at Oakland.²

As a young woman, Adah was popular and vivacious. She was deeply loved by her father and active in the social life of Shreveport at the turn of the century. It is said that she loved to dance and play cards, was unusually beautiful, and loved to see other people happy.³

In 1897, Adah was a state sponsor for the Louisiana veterans at the annual reunion of the United Confederate Veterans in Birmingham, Alabama. In 1898, she was listed as

treasurer and charter member of the Shreveport Chapter of the United Daughters of the Confederacy.⁴ During this time, she met a brilliant young newspaperman, Cyril Scott DeLay from Arcade, Wisconsin. He was a graduate of the University of Wisconsin and a Spanish-American War veteran. Although Scott was born in Wisconsin, his father was a southerner who had served under Robert E. Lee during the Civil War. On April 24, 1900, Adah and Scott DeLay were married by the Rev. Joseph H. Spearing at St. Marks Episcopal Church in downtown Shreveport. Witnesses were F. Marsden, A. Shehee, and L. J. Smith.⁵ One of the ushers was Ruffin G. Pleasant, later to become governor of Louisiana.

Twenty-six months later, on August 27, 1902, Cyril Scott DeLay was dead at age twenty seven. DeLay was managing editor of The Shreveport Times at the time of his death. He is buried at Oakland Cemetery in the same plot with Adah's father. (Note: Records at St. Marks Episcopal Church state that he was 25 years, 11 months and 20 days old.⁶ The tombstone record states 27 years.)

Less than two years later, Adah lost her beloved father, Richard T. Vinson. It must have been during this time that Adah determined to direct her life to helping others.

In 1912, Adah was a member of the hospital guild of St. Marks Episcopal Church where she was a devoted member. The guild was composed of young women who met weekly to sew and provide entertainment for the babies in the Charity Hospital in Shreveport. Dr. A. P. Crain was made surgeon-in-chief and asked Adah to take charge of the baby ward. Under her chairmanship, the baby ward was supplied with its first incubator, medicine chests, wheel chairs, and other types of needed furniture. When a child died, Adah never permitted it to be buried in the potter's field, but saw to it that the child was given a decent burial. It was during this period that she began her Christmas tree activities in the Charity Hospital. A tree was placed in each ward and gifts were given to the patients, with the interns acting as Santa Claus.⁷

In a report written by Dr. Crain concerning the Charity Hospital for Chronicles of Shreveport, he reported that during the period 1912 to 1916, that Mrs. Adah Vinson DeLay had given much help to the hospital and brought much happiness to the sick and needy.⁸

This, however, was only the beginning of a long list of her social and community welfare programs. As noted previously, Adah was very active in the United Daughters of the Confederacy. She became a friend of Dr. George W. Kendall, a local dentist and Confederate veteran. Kendall was also a close associate of Adah's father, R. T. Vinson, and a member of the LeRoy Stafford Camp #3 of Confederate Veterans.

Dr. Kendall had, for many years, placed flags on the graves of both the Confederate and Union soldiers buried at Oakland Cemetery. He had previously donated a lot at the cemetery for the burial of Confederate veterans. Before his death in 1903, he asked Adah to take over his work.

She not only did as he asked, but for over twenty years she directed the care of Oakland, many times using her own money to foster this project. The local United Daughters of the Confederacy chapters were responsible for both the Confederate

monument erected in front of the courthouse in 1905, unveiled in 1906, and the monument placed and dedicated at Oakland in 1922. There is no doubt that Adah played an important role in the erection of these two monuments, as she is mentioned in several newspaper articles concerning Memorial Day programs sponsored by the UDC.

She as a member of the Oakland Cemetery Association which had its beginning circa 1914. The organization was incorporated in 1918 with Adah serving as the second vice-president. The president of the association was Mrs. Mattie H. Williams and Miss Nettie Boisseau was first vice-president. Records also indicate that Adah and Nettie Boisseau were members of the grounds committee in February, 1920.⁹

Her greatest service to Shreveport was her work with orphans and abandoned babies. During her lifetime, she placed over 2,000 babies in homes, making it possible for them to have a chance in life. As there was no place in Shreveport in the early 1900s for infants pending adoption, Adah frequently took care of babies in her home. She saw to it that the children had proper medical attention and loving care. She thoroughly screened the families who wished to adopt a child. She insisted that they have letters from their pastors and family doctors, owned their homes, and could prove that they were legally married. The prospective parents had to pay for the legal filing of the adoption papers. Adah went to the lawyers with the adopting parents to be certain that all was legally and morally correct for the sake of the children. She had a multitude of pictures of "her" babies in her home.¹⁰

Various stories have been related concerning some of the infants for whom she cared. At one time, a night watchman called her to ask if she had a home for a baby girl. Adah gave proper medical attention to the child who was an orphan whose eyes had not been properly treated at birth. Adah nursed the child for three weeks. Then it was adopted by fine parents, growing into a beautiful young lady.

Once she found a one-day-old, two-and-one-half pound baby on her front porch. She employed a wet nurse for the infant, but it was so small that it had to be fed with an eyedropper. After she had kept the child for two months, it was adopted by suitable parents.

At another time, when she was in a store, Adah overheard a woman scolding a baby. When she investigated, she found that the child was not the woman's. Only five days old, it was wrapped in an old bath towel. After receiving a phone call the next day about the baby's welfare, she called the police to help her rescue the child from the unfit home. Unfortunately, they did not arrive in time to prevent the child's hand from being dreadfully burned.¹¹

Not only did Adah assist orphans, but she also helped young women who were pregnant out of wedlock. She assisted these young women during their pregnancies and then placed their children in good homes. She was deeply interested in the welfare of girl delinquents and women who were victims of abuse. Before the establishment of the home for delinquent girls in Alexandria, and often at her own expense, Adah would take young girls who had been committed to the House of Good Shepherd in New Orleans. Even the older adults came to her when they were in distress. At one particular time, an old Northern veteran hobbled up to her at the hospital and asked her to see to it that he

was not buried in potter's field. Shortly afterward he died and was buried in the Confederate plot at Oakland.¹² Adah was always ready to aid young and old in need of assistance.

Numerous other stories surround the life of Adah Vinson DeLay. She chose to do her work without compensation so that her work would not be restricted. Neither did she join with other charity organizations, although they frequently sent her cases. Her work was never completed, and she knew no holidays from her efforts. Toward the end of her life, she exhausted her own resources to the point that in 1932 financial conditions and her declining health kept her from placing her annual Christmas tree.¹³

The December 20, 1933 issues of the Shreveport Times and the Shreveport Journal both stated that Mrs. Adah Vinson DeLay was reported to be in very serious condition, suffering with Bright's Disease (Nephritis) and pneumonia, and that hope for her recovery had been abandoned. The articles further stated that she had been found at her home unconscious and had been in the hospital for a week. The next day, both papers reported the death of Mrs. DeLay on their front pages.

Adah had been working on plans for the 1933 Christmas tree at the time of her death. An editorial in the Shreveport Journal on December 21, 1933 stated that the Christmas tree would not be presented, but had "Miss Adah" been spared, it would have no doubt been a reality.¹⁴

In an editorial in the Shreveport Times on December 22, 1933 the writer expressed the following concerning the death of Mrs. DeLay:

In these days when human helpfulness is so important a factor in shaping the destinies of afflicted individuals and groups, Shreveport can ill spare any of those among its people who have dedicated their lives and resources to alleviating human suffering or relieving human want.

For this reason, the untimely death of Mrs. Adah Vinson DeLay is particularly unfortunate. For upwards of thirty years she had been continuously active in philanthropic and humane work. Her policy of deliverance of others from difficulty or distress took a wide range and the beneficiaries of her labors mounted into the thousands. Whenever poverty or pain or trouble appealed, she responded without question and without delay.

Mrs. DeLay did not work with charity organizations; in her efforts for others she preferred to retain her individuality. There were some who did not agree with this conception of duty; but none doubted her sincerity of purpose, her unflagging zeal in behalf of distressed humanity, or the fruits of her tireless energy. In thousands of homes where orphaned or abandoned children were placed through her efforts, her name is recalled with respect and affection. Hundreds of poor children will miss this year her annual Christmas tree, in preparation for which she was stricken with the illness which produced her death.

The poor will remember Mrs. DeLay as a kindly spirit moving among them encouragingly and helpfully; older citizens of Shreveport will remember her as the daughter of one of its foremost civic leaders; her friends and admirers, which

were numerous, will remember her as a woman of intense depth of feeling and kinliness (sic) of soul always enlisted in behalf of those who needed her sympathy and aid and leaned upon the.

*Requiescat in pace.*¹⁵

After Adah Hill Vinson DeLay died on December 20, 1933, her funeral was held at Roll Osborn funeral chapel at 3 o'clock Thursday afternoon, December 21, 1933, as hundreds mourned her death. She was buried at Oakland Cemetery beside her father, mother, and husband. Pallbearers included well-known Shreveporters: T. O. Harris, T. H. Hughes, S. I. Davis, E. C. Schavey, Simon Ehritch, R. F. Sabastian, R. E. Jacobs, and Dolph Frantz. Her only surviving relative was her brother, Allen Vinson.

Court records indicate that at her death, Adah left no real estate, personal property appraised at \$948.95 including a 1926 Essex Coach automobile and contents of a bank box. Her property was later sold at a sheriff's sale and brought \$623.00. Her debts, which included funeral and court expenses, rent and utilities due, amounted to \$1,362.44. Adah had evidently sold a number of lots and other tracts of land between 1906 and the late 1920s for her philanthropic work. As a result, when she died, Adah was in serious financial difficulty. Her estate was not settled until 1937 because there were not enough funds to cover her debts.¹⁶

The remarkable and generous woman, who left such an impact on Shreveport, has rested at Oakland Cemetery for almost sixty years with no tombstone to mark her burial place. It is unfortunate that her efforts have gone unnoticed so long, and that her resting place remains unmarked.

AFTERWARD

Several years ago, when I was researching the history of Oakland Cemetery, I ran across Adah DeLay's name. She was one who had been a benefactor to the upkeep and beautification of the cemetery. I wondered why she was not buried at Oakland.

Then recently, I decided to research her name in earnest. St. Marks Episcopal Church helped with her marriage and death records, leading me to the front page record of her death, and her place of burial at Oakland. United Daughters of the Confederacy records gave some information along with the scant material about the Oakland Cemetery Association in the early and mid 1900s.

Most important, however, I was fortunate to talk with Edward DeLay Clark, one of the children whom Mrs. DeLay placed for adoption in 1919. He shared some pleasant memories of "Miss Adah" with me.

Mr. Clark remembers her as a lovely lady, dark haired and beautifully dressed. She was a frank person, he remembered, and completely dedicated to the welfare of children and helping others. He told that as a young boy, his mother took him to Miss Adah's home on Merrick Street at Christmas time. She knocked on the door and said to Miss Adah, "Here's one of our children." Mr. Clark remembered that Miss Adah gave

him a peppermint all-day sucker. She also helped him get a job at the school he attended, which was very important to his family, for times were hard then.

Mr. Clark's adopted father was a stonecutter, and it is possible that he carved many of the little tombstones for those babies and children who died – those that "Miss Adah" saw were not buried in potter's field.

Although Mr. Clark has known since early childhood that he was adopted and that he was named for Mrs. DeLay, he expressed deep gratitude that he was placed in the home of Edward and Lou Lyles Clark, who accepted him as their own son.

ENDNOTES:

¹ Biographical and Historical Memoirs of Northwest Louisiana (Nashville: Southern Publishing Company, 1890), 103.

² St. Marks Episcopal Church, Shreveport, LA, Death Records.

³ Julia Rule, Tribute to Adah DeLay written and published in the late 1920s when civic and church leaders began a movement to secure a national award for Adah V. DeLay. The tribute was published in the Shreveport Journal, December 21, 1933. (Mrs. Rule was also a charter member of the United Daughters of the Confederacy and a close friend of Adah's.)

⁴ United Daughters of the Confederacy, Chapter 237, Minutes, 1898, Peter's Research Center, Centenary College, Shreveport, LA.

⁵ St. Marks Episcopal Church, Shreveport, LA, Marriage Records.

⁶ St. Marks, Death Records.

⁷ Shreveport Journal, December 21, 1933.

⁸ Maude O'Pry, Chronicles of Shreveport (Shreveport: Journal Printing Co., 1928), 265.

⁹ Oakland Cemetery Association Records, included with unpublished papers of Nettie Boisseau, Larkin Edwards Room, Shreve Memorial Library, Shreveport, LA.

¹⁰ Shreveport Journal, December 21, 1933.

¹¹ Rule, Tribute to Adah DeLay, Shreveport Journal, December 21, 1933.

¹² Ibid.

¹³ Shreveport Times, December 21, 1933.

¹⁴ Ibid.

¹⁵ Ibid.

¹⁶ Succession of A. V. DeLay, (63122), Caddo Parish Courthouse, Shreveport, LA.

QUERIES

HALL, LUNDY, McGUIRE, St. CLAIR, TOOMER, WILLSON

Member Tom **WILLIAMS** would like to add the above names to his list of surnames he is researching and also to add his E-mail address: <73060.3310@compuserve.com>
T. R. (Tom) Williams, 6400 Middle Ridge Lane, Hixson, TN 37343-3526

ALBRITTON, ODOM, RAMSEY

New member John **ALBRITTON** is researching the above families. He also has information on the **BALLARD, BOATWRIGHT, and TAYLOR** families.
<JohnA0526@aol.com>

John Albritton, 2106 Chase Crossing, Shreveport, LA 71118-4613

HARRIS, OSBOURNE, GURGARNY

Seeking parents of Capt. Thomas **HARRIS**, born ca. 1580, died ca. 1658 in VA. He married (1) Adria **OSBOURNE**, and (2) Joanne **GURGARNY**. He came to VA in May 1611 in the "Prosperous." His wife Adria came to VA in Nov 1621 in the "Marmaduke." He was in the Indian War of 1622; Burgess (1623, 1639, 1647) for Henrico Co, VA.
Mary Duncan Bridges, 529 Oriole Lane, Shreveport, LA 71105-4307

COMEAX

Would like to hear from anyone researching the **COMEAX** family. They are organizing their 1999 family reunion. The **COMEAX** family organization meets each second Tuesday at the Scott City Hall in Scott, LA at 6:00 p.m.

Barbara Comeaux Strickland, 13727 North Amiss Road, Baton Rouge, LA 70810-5042

WILKINSON

Looking for any information on a **WILKINSON** family in Louisiana:

- Brother Abner d 2 Oct 1839 in Madison Parish; left a wife, Syble (maiden name not known), a daughter Eliza who had a daughter Wilhelmina L. **STEWART**, daughter Abigail who married James **CRANDALL**, and son James W. who married Rebecca **HAMMONDS**.
- Brother Samuel who died 1834 in St. Mary Parish, LA., unmarried and without issue. As I understand it, siblings of both the whole and half blood shared in his estate. In the case of a deceased sibling who had left issue, these nieces and nephews were included in the distribution of the estate.
- Brother Jehu who died 1852, also in St. Mary Parish, LA. Know nothing at this time re the distribution of his estate; however, it is thought he was also unmarried and without issue. Jehu had been in NC prior to his arrival in LA, probably shortly before 1810.

These three men are purportedly the brothers of either the whole or half blood of my ancestor William **WILKINSON** m Elizabeth (maiden name not known). I'm guessing that William died ca 1800 in NC. If I am correct, this William **WILKINSON** was the father of Mary (m Owen **CONERLY** who came to MS and from whom I descend), Rebecca (m Owen's brother Luke), and Catherine who m1 Dr. **McALPINE**; m2 Calvin **MAGEE**, a Baptist minister. There may also have been two sons, James M., and Jehu, Jr., but I, personally, have no record or knowledge of them. They're part of my quest. Would appreciate any help I can get in positively identifying these persons.

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Civil War Diary Of Peter Norrix

This diary (presented in *THE JOURNAL*, Vol. X, Nos. 1-3) was reprinted from *The Pratt Descendants*, Vol. II. It was submitted by member Shirley King White, 4209 Logan Street, Bossier City, LA 71112-4323. The following information has been transcribed from an exact photocopy of the pages still extant of the original journal attributed to Peter Norrix. A great-grandson has the original documents in safe keeping.

THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S REPORT - HISTORY OF ELEVENTH INFANTRY..... "January 1st to 5th, 1865, en route to Kenner, La.; February 4th to 7th, en route to Dauphine Island, via Lake Pontchartrain; (probably when Peter Norrix went into the hospital) March 17th to April 12th, engaged in operations against Mobile, Ala., marching from Fort Morgan, participating in the investment and siege and final capture of Spanish Fort and Fort Blakely, and in the assault on the latter. April 12th, marched into and took possession of the city of Mobile, staying there until the 27th of May, when embarked in transport and moved via Lake Pontchartrain to New Orleans; from thence to Alexandria, La., remaining there until June 22d; thence to Baton Rouge, La., to be mustered out of service; mustered out July 14th, 1865, and left for Springfield, Ill., for payment and final discharge."

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Peter Norrix was enrolled on the 15th of August, 1862 at Anna, Illinois in Co. H., 109th Regiment of Illinois Volunteers. He was mustered in as a Pvt. on the 11th day of Sept., 1862.

On April 23, 1863 he was transferred to Capt. Vore's, Co. B, 11th Illinois Volunteer Inf. at Miliken's Bend, Miss. The 109th was consolidated with the 11th. (Special Orders No. 6, Lake Providence, La., April 10, 1863 by order of the Secretary of War: L. Thomas, Adj. General.)

The following information is taken from Peter Norrix's pension files:

**CLAIM FOR INVALID PENSION** signed by Peter Norrix on August 11, 1865 in Springfield, IL ".....while in said service and in the line of his duty at Dauphin Island in the state of Alabama on the 1st day of February, 1865, while with his company and regiment at Dauphin Island as above stated by reason of hard marching he contracted Tic Doloraux, which caused his feet to get very sore and to swell - they are so sore and inflamed that he can scarcely walk, while his ankle joints are also greatly swelled. He is entirely unable to do anything for his support in consequence of the above disability....

**OFFICER'S CERTIFICATE TO DISABILITY OF SOLDIER** signed by John Spire, 1st Lieut. Co. B. 11th IL Inf, December 26, 1866. ".....that during the month of August, 1864 by exposure on march of 24 consecutive hours from Port Hudson to Clinton, La. over sandy, swampy, and muddy roads, his feet became sore and diseased and returning over same route immediately without rest - he contracted disease of the feet which resisted all assistance of Medical Staff and prevented his further marching and forced his being sent to Hospital on Dauphin Island, Ala. and subsequently to Marine Hospital, New Orleans, La. and prevented



*Peter Norrix Diary, Continued:*

his being personally present with the 11th Reg. at time of its discharge, but was discharged by special order some months after the muster out of his regiment....." (Peter Norrix was mustered out on August 11, 1865 at Springfield, IL. His regiment was discharged on July 14, 1865.)

**SWORN STATEMENT MADE TO THE HONORABLE COMMISSIONER OF PENSIONS,** United States of America by Peter Norrix. Statement dated 28th of August 1876. ".....by reason of diseases contracted while in the military service of the United States and while in the line of his duty he was confined in the Military Hospital of the United States as Vicksburgh from on or about the first day of February 1864, until on or about May first, 1864.....while in the line of his duty as a soldier he contracted deafness and loss of eyesight in his right ear and eye.....was detailed as an army blacksmith.....while shoeing a government mule at the mouth of White River in Arkansas, in the month of September 1864, he was ruptured, from the affects of which he has never recovered.....was confined in the Marine Hospital at New Orleans from about the first day of April 1865 and thence for a month or six weeks."

**SWORN STATEMENT MADE TO THE STATE OF ILLINOIS,** County of Union, in the matter of the claim of Peter Norrix for Invalid Pension dated July 11, 1879. Statement sworn to by Silas Trees of South Passs, IL. "....that while he (Silas Trees) was so enlisted and in the regular line of duty he knew Peter Norix, the applicant, and that he visited the so called General Hospital at Vicksburg, Mississippi while the said Peter Norix was under the medical treatment of Dr. Morris for Pneumonia about the first day of February 1864, and that to affiants personal knowledge the said Peter Norix remained in said hospital for the period of three months under medical treatment for said disease.....he became deaf in the right ear and blind in the right eye.....about the month of October 1864, he knew the said Peter Norix to have been detailed as a blacksmith while the regiment was camped near the mouth of White River in the State of Arkansas....said Peter Norix then and there received a severe injury said to result from the kick of mule while said Norix was shoeing him in a government shop....said kick caused a rupture....."

**SWORN STATEMENT MADE BY PHILLIP H. KROH,** Union Co., IL on May 30th 1880. ".....I know that at the time of his (Peter Norix) enlistment (August 1862 in the 109th) he was in good health and was a sound bodied man, being regarded as one of the best men physically is said regiment. I was in said regiment at the time as Chaplin and my information is derived from my own personal knowledge and acquaintance. I know further that the said Peter Norix was in bad health from some cause unknown to me while he was in the Military Service of the United States and further that he has been in bad health from and before the time of his discharge from said Service....."

From the Company Muster Roll of the 109th Regiment, Co. H for the months of September and October, 1862 Peter is reported as absent, left sick in hospital at Camp Anna, IL - also reported absent sick until April 30, 1863.\*

*Peter Norrix Diary, Continued:*

Muster Roll of Co. B 11th Regt. Ills Vols reports him sick in General Hospital May and June of 1863. July through December of 1863 he is reported as present with his company.

Peter is again reported sick at Vicksburg, Miss. from January 1, 1864 through June, 1864. It was during this period that the regiment was sent home on a 30 day furlough (quoting from a letter addressed to the Governor of Illinois dated March 13, 1864 from Major-General James B. McPherson....."Sir: The following regiments from this corps belonging to your State have re-enlisted as veteran volunteers and will be ordered north to report, through you, to the superintendent of recruiting service for reorganization and furlough as fast as the exigencies of the service will permit:.....The Eleventh, Twentieth,....."). Peter was sick in the General Hospital at Vicksburg suffering from pneumonia during this time but he must also have spent some time at home as his daughter, Eliza Jane was born on November 19, 1864.

For the months of December, 1864 through February, 1865 Peter is listed as present with his company - from the month of March, 1865 until his discharge Peter is reported as absent sick at New Orleans, La.

\*It is not known why Peter is listed as absent sick for ten whole months. The 109th Regiment did get to Holy Springs, Miss. but did not engage in the battle. Because of misconduct the 109th Regiment was placed under arrest and it's Officers cashiered and discharged from Service. As many as 347 Men may have deserted. As Peter states in his diary, the 109th was consolidated with the 11th IL Vol in April, 1863.

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***ELLIS ISLAND OF THE WEST***

At the turn of the century, Galveston, Texas, numbered among the top five U. S. ports of entry for immigrants. Known as the "Ellis Island of the West," the port welcomed tens of thousands of people, especially Czechs, Scandinavians, Germans, and Eastern European and Russian Jews.

Today, a permanent exhibit at the Texas Seaport Museum in Galveston examines the city's immigration heritage. A database that lists more than 130,000 names of people who passed through Galveston allows visitors to track their ancestors. If you have a relative who immigrated through Galveston between 1839 and 1949, by following the easy computerized instructions, you can trace details regarding the country of origin, port of departure, occupation, date of voyage, and ship's name. (Note: Some of the records between 1871 and 1894 were destroyed in a fire.)

The Texas Seaport Museum is located at Pier 21 on Port Industrial Boulevard near The Strand; it is wheelchair accessible. For hours and admission fees, write to 2016 Strand, Galveston, TX 77550 (Telephone 409-763-1877).

"Grasp the Past," *Texas Highways*, Special Issue (September, 1993), page 65.



## SHREVEPORT TIMES OBITUARIES

JANUARY 1, 1887 -- DECEMBER 31, 1887

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 are in 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 (Second Q, 1997).

**May Savage** Sudden death of a white woman of ill repute, died Thursday night (6 Jan) of congestion of the bowels. She was between 25 and 30 years old and has relatives in Arkansas. [Times 7 Jan 1887]

**Mrs. Elizabeth Steele** Died 18 Jan, aged 67 years. She was born in London, England, and resided in Shreveport in the same house where she died for the past forty years. She leaves one daughter, Mrs. M. C. Valentine. Funeral from her late residence on Lake Street. [Times 9 Jan 1887]

**L. E. Walker** Died 8 Jan. of pneumonia at his residence near Summer Grove, aged about 40 years. He was a successful farmer. He leaves a wife and two children. Interrment near the Summer Grove Church on Monday at 11 o'clock. The officers and members of Charity Lodge No. 9 A.O.U.W. are invited to attend his funeral.

### *In Memoriam*

Whereas the Great Architect of the Universe has removed from this life and from the scene of his usefulness our beloved brother L. E. Walker, be it resolved, that we the members of Landmark Lodge No. 214 express our profound regret at the death of our honored and esteemed brother who was a most worthy citizen and a true and consistent Mason. His life being squared to the golden rule which is the very essence of the spirit that gives vitality to the mystic brotherhood. Resolved, that in the death of Brother Walker, the community has lost one of its most useful members, the Masonic fraternity a most worthy brother, and his family a devoted husband and father. Resolved that as a token of regret and as a badge of mourning for the untimely death of our brother the members of this lodge wear the usual badge for thirty days and that the lodge room be draped in black. Resolved, that these resolutions be spread upon the minutes of the lodge and a copy be sent to the family of our deceased brother.

Signed: J. Henry Shepherd, J. W. Pickens and W. J. Alexander. [Times 9 Jan 1887]

**SUSIE Zeigler** Died 8 Jan., the youngest daughter of S. J. Ziegler, aged 2 years, 1 month and 23 days. [Times 9 Jan 1887]

**Mrs. M. Stockwell** Died 10 Jan., aged 63 years, at the residence of her  
\_\_\_??\_\_\_ J. Stockwell. [Times 11 Jan 1887]

SHREVEPORT TIMES OBITUARIES (continued):

**W. T. Ellis** Died 17 Jan. at his home in Greenwood of pneumonia. He was about 30 years of age and leaves a wife and one child and was constable of Ward Five. He was a son-in-law of M. W. Bradford Mayor of Greenwood.  
[Times 18 Jan 1887]

**R. R. Hanks** Died 16 Jan. on the Hurricane Bluff Plantation. He was one of the oldest citizens of Bossier Parish.  
[Times 18 Jan 1887]

**Mrs. V. B. Hamilton** Died 18 Jan. at Greenwood, La. of pneumonia. She was born in Aberdeen, Mississippi, 10 Sep 1855. She leaves a husband, J. G. H. Hamilton, and seven children, the youngest only four weeks old, her mother, and J. M. Dunn's family. She has relatives in Mansfield, LA.  
[Times 19 Jan 1887]

**Trigg Bawden** A reliable gentleman informed us that on last Sunday evening (23 Jan) an affair occurred in Coyle's store in Bossier Parish near Martin Mill, between two negroes named Trigg Bawden and James Matthew. Bawden was killed and Matthew escaped.  
[Times 25 Jan 1887]

**Mrs. D. R. Pratt** An estimable lady is dead. It is learned with regret that Mrs. Pratt of Minden died in New Orleans on the 23<sup>rd</sup> instant. The deceased was the mother-in-law of Hon. J. C. Vance. She leaves two daughters Mrs. W. A. Sugg and Mrs. T. J. Vance and one son Mr. D. W. Pratt of Minden. The remains reached Minden yesterday and will be interred today in the family burying ground. [Times 26 Jan 1887]

**James M. Phillips** Died 13 Jan. at Greenwood, La., son of C. C. and Deilah (?) Phillips aged 2 years.  
[Times 2 Feb 1887]

**Roderick Stephens** Died 2 Feb, aged 79 years, at the residence of Mr. A. M. Thomas Shreveport of pneumonia. He was a native of Georgia, a first cousin and devoted friend of Alex H. Stephens to whose education he contributed materially. He was a member of the Methodist Church from his youth. He leaves his only daughter and grand children.  
[Times 6 Feb 1887]

**Ferryman White** One man killed and another wounded. W. J. Sullivan justice of the peace and acting coroner, held an inquest Sunday (6 Feb) on the body of Ferryman White, on the T. J. Fullilove place six miles beyond Spring Ridge.  
[Times 8 Feb 1887]

**Col. J. S. Flournoy** It was not until yesterday that the death of Col. J. S. Flournoy was made known in this city. Col. Flournoy was a gentle man of intellect and a most honorable citizen who had a large circle of friends in this parish. He passed away from earth at his residence on Bayou Rapides, LA. on the first day of the present year after a very brief illness. He was 56 years and 4 months, and leaves a wife and five children to mourn his loss.  
[Times 18 Feb 1887]

**George Coker** A suicide. Midway, La. February 17<sup>th</sup> Mr. George Coker, a farmer, took laudanum and died.  
[Times 22 Feb 1887]

## SHREVEPORT TIMES OBITUARIES (continued):

**A. Guynemer** Died 19 Feb. unexpectedly at his residence near the park on Fairfield. Aged 59 years, 1 month and 4 days old. He was born in Charleston, S.C. and at manhood removed to New Orleans. He later located in Shreveport with his family. At the time of his death, he was a bookkeeper for the firm of Buckelew & Pleasants. He leaves his wife and two little children. He was buried yesterday (21 Feb) at noon in the city cemetery (Oakland) from the Catholic Church, where a requiem mass was held by Father Gentile. [Times 22 Feb 1887]

*Editor's Note: His mother, Mrs. A. Guynemer, died 23 Nov 1886 in New Orleans and was buried in Shreveport. See Times 24 Nov 1886.*

**Dr. J. C. Calhoun** Died at his residence at Greenwood, Sunday (27 Feb) afternoon after a painful and prolonged illness. He was about 49 years old and was a native of South Carolina. He came to this parish 20 years ago and for the past 10 resided at Greenwood. At the breaking out of the war he was among the first to offer his service to the Confederacy and held a prominent position as surgeon until the close of the contest. He leaves a wife and 2 children. His wife is the daughter of the late Col. Thomas Gilmer who was a most successful planter. The remains were buried at Greenwood last evening with a delegation of Caddo Lodge F. and A.M. of this city and a large concourse of sorrowful relatives and friends. [Times 2 Mar 1887]

**Moses Rubenstein** Homicide in Bossier. The fatal results of a quarrel over a game of cards. The announcement of the death of Moses Rubenstein was a surprise to those who know him in this city and occurred Benton, Bossier Parish Tuesday evening (1 Mar). The cause which led to his demise as related to us briefly stated as follows: It appears that on Monday evening between 4 & 5 o'clock Moses Rubenstein and Sam Goldburg were playing a game of freeze out poker at Wolf's grocery store in Benton. Charles H. Edmunds a young man well known in this city, while on his way to Shreveport, stopped in this store and became engaged in the game. A misunderstanding arose over the cards between Rubenstein and Edmunds which culminated in hot words and finally to blows. It is alleged that Edmunds seized a chair and struck Rubenstein on the head with it inflicting a wound that proved fatal. Edmunds mounted his horse and rode to Shreveport that night little dreaming that he had involved himself in a most deplorable and sad homicide. It is stated that soon after Rubenstein was struck he became speechless and after lingering in painful agony breathed his last Tuesday evening. The deceased was a Polander aged about 50 years and at one time resided in this city. The remains were buried yesterday in the Jewish Cemetery. [Times 3 Mar 1887]

**Thomas P. Gannon** Died 26 Mar. of pneumonia: Aged 29 years and 6 months. He was born in New Orleans and resided in this city many years. He leaves an aged mother, two sisters, and two brothers. Funeral at the Catholic Church and burial in the new Catholic Cemetery. [Times 26 Mar 1887]

**Mary Beile Clark** Died 16 Apr In Natchitoches, La., aged 28 years. She was consort of John Clark and the only daughter of Col. S. R. Laurin. [Times 20 April 1887]

SHREVEPORT TIMES OBITUARIES (continued):

**James Leonard** Died 13 Apr. at the residence of J. W. White, aged 19 years. [Times 21 April 1887]

**Capt. George Alban** Died 9 May, aged 71 years. His funeral will take place from 304 Commerce Street. He was born in West Virginia in November 1816 and came to Shreveport in 1837 where he resided until the time of his death. He was pilot and Captain of steamboats and was the first man who took a steamboat to Jefferson, TX. He was also the first constable in this Parish. He leaves a brother in this city. [Times 10 May 1887]

**Captain B. B. Frainey** Died 7 May, in his 53<sup>rd</sup> year. He was from Indiana and married Mrs. M. A. Pagan of this city on 6 Aug 1885. His son was notified of his loss and on his arrival the funeral hour will be announced. [Times 10 May 1887]

**William Capers (a/k/a March Caperton)** The body of William Capers, colored, better known as March Caperton was found floating in Cross Bayou Sunday morning. It appears he left his home Friday (13 May) at 12 o'clock on the way to Shreveport, fell in the ditch, and drowned. [Times 17 May 1887]

**James Emory** Died 15 May at his residence in this parish 12 miles from this city, aged 51 years & 7 months. He was born in Evansville, Indiana and came to Caddo Parish years ago. He was a successful farmer and engaged in mercantile pursuits near the Emory toll bridge. He leaves a wife and three children to mourn his demise. [Times 18 May 1887]

**Anne Neville Moncure** Died 21 May at age 18 months, the only child of Conway and Effie Moncure. The burial will take place from the family residence on Christian Street at 5 o'clock this afternoon. [Times 21 May 1887]

**James Redding** Died 26 May. He was run over by a freight train and was instantly killed at Provencal, where he was a resident. He, while in a state of intoxication, was walking on the side track on which the freight train had switched. (Natchitoches Review) [Times 29 May 1887]

**Charley Brown** On 28 May, a colored man was ran over and killed by the passenger train. He also was intoxicated. [Times 29 May 1887]

**Abe Kelly** Died after having his skull fractured by a piece of plank falling on his head while he was asleep in Mr. N. Greggs dwelling. He was unconscious from the time of the accident until his death. [Times 29 May 1887]

**Mrs. Dona Wheaton Leffingwell** Died 28 May in New Orleans after a lingering illness, aged 31 years, 1 month and 28 days. She leaves C. A. Leffingwell, her husband and Major Wheaton her father. She will be buried from the family residence on the corner of Milam and McNeil streets. [Times 29 May 1887]

SHREVEPORT TIMES OBITUARIES (continued):

**Lou Stiles** The insane colored woman, Lou Stiles, died Thursday night at the Charity Hospital. Her remains were taken by her brother to Greenwood last evening for interment. The unfortunate woman bore a good reputation. She was industrious and had many friends among the white and black people. Until the day she became insane her health was always good. She leaves several children to mourn her loss. [Times 4 June 1887]

**Mrs. Annie Land Harper** Died 19 June and was interred on 21 June in the family burial grounds near Pickensville, Pickens County, Alabama. She at one time resided in Mansfield, DeSoto Parish, where she had relatives. [Times 3 July 1887]

**Sallie Nicholson Boagman** Died 8 July after a brief illness, aged 3 months. [Times 9 July 1887]

**Hattie Mills** Died 10 July, aged 1 year, infant daughter of G. H. and Pennie Ardis Mills. [Times 12 July 1887]

**Mr. A. Sour** Died 10 July, aged 64 years, of congestion of the bowels at his residence. He had resided in Shreveport over 35 years. He was engaged in the house furnishing goods business in which he was very successful. He leaves a wife and several children. The burial was attended by the members of Caddo Lodge No. 179, F. and A.M., the B'Nai Brith, the Sons of Israel and a large concourse of friends. The remains were interred in the New Jewish Cemetery. [Times 12 July 1887]

**Rogers (Infant Girl)** Infant daughter of J. M. and M. E. Rogers, aged 11 months and 11 days; funeral services at the residence of Mr. T. H. Morris. [Times 13 July 1887]

*From July 14, 1887 until December 28, 1887 there was no paper.*

**Ed Lyon (a/k/a Frank A. Jones)** The remains of Ed Lyon, better known as Frank A. Jones, killed last Saturday (24 Dec.) night, will be interred this afternoon at 2 o'clock. The funeral will take place from the establishment of Mr W. W. Waring, undertaker on Texas Street. It was intended at first to forward the remains to Columbus, Georgia for internment, but the relatives of the deceased have expressed a wish to have the remains buried here for the present. The friends of the deceased are invited to attend the funeral at the hour mentioned. [Times 28 Dec 1887]

**T. H. Morris, Jr.** Died 23 Dec at Los Angeles, CA. He was born in Shreveport 11 May 1859; aged 28 years, 7 months, and 11 days. He left this city recently, accompanied by his father and mother for California in the hope of improving his health but he grew worse and gently passed away. Interment was in the City Cemetery (*Oakland*). The solemn funeral rites were conducted by Rev. Dr. Van Lear in the Presbyterian Church. [Times 28 Dec 1887]

*The pleasure of a day's journey is not how swiftly it is completed  
but by how many discoveries you make along the way.*



# BITS & BYTES

Two long established web sites, both sponsored all or in part by Family Tree Maker Online, are Matthew L. Helm's **Genealogy Toolbox** and Steve Lacy's **Genealogy Gateway To The Web™**. Both sites offer queries pages that have high visibility.



<http://genealogy.tbox.com/>

In late 1994, Matthew Helms created Helm's Genealogy Toolbox which premiered on the WWW in February 1995 with a mere 135 links in 12 categories. By December 1995 Toolbox Internet Marketing Services, Inc. (TIMS) was formed and a couple of months later the company's first server was launched on the Internet. Partnership with Broderbund Software, Inc. began in September 1997 with the resulting Genealogy SiteFinder now containing over 45,000 entries in 25 major categories. This is an extremely organized site with aided search capabilities.

**GenealogySoftware Toolbox**      <http://www.genealogysoftware.com/>

A one-stop location for information on genealogical software and related products. Here you can compare each software product and make a informed decision prior to a purchase.

**Genealogy SiteFinder**      <http://sitefinder.tbox.com/>

A joint venture between the Genealogy Toolbox and Family Tree Maker Online. The SiteFinder contains links with full descriptions of over 45,000 genealogically-related Internet resources.

**Query Central**      <http://query.tbox.com/>

This site allows genealogists to post queries about their research efforts. It currently contains over 80,000 queries since October 1995.

**Registration Central**      <http://registration.tbox.com/>

Create a new genealogy site recently? This page is designed to allow users to register their new genealogy site with several different genealogy indexes without requiring them to go to each individual page. A form is found for each of the follow indexes:

- Helm's Genealogy Toolbox/Genealogy SiteFinder
- Cyndi's List of Genealogy Sites on the Internet
- Genealogy Home Page
- Genealogy Resources on the Internet
- NetGuide: Genealogist's Guide to the Internet
- RAND Genealogy Club

**Journal of Online Genealogy**      <http://www.onlinegenealogy.com/>

A monthly web magazine focusing on the use of online resources and techniques in genealogy and family history.



<http://www.gengateway.com/>

A very large and un-wielding web site, but with patience, literally any significant genealogy related link can be found at this site. The webmaster advertises 49,000 listings at this time, and well over 5 Million "page views" since January, 1997. Queries, Surnames and Homepage listings are accepted and a variety of search engines are provided for searching these very large forums.

**Messaging Forums**

<http://www.gengateway.com/forums.htm>

Homepage Self-Listing Forum  
Commercial Website Forum  
The Surname Springboard

The Family Query Forums  
Your Listing Update Forum  
Lacy Family Resource Center

**Listing Gateways**

<http://www.gengateway.com/lists.htm>

All 120 Alpha-Link Categories  
All 150 Query Forum Pages  
Website Awards & Reviews

All 30 Genealogy Gateways  
Homepage Self-Listing Forums  
Lacy Genealogist Homepage

**Surname Gateways**

<http://www.gengateway.com/surnames.htm>

The Surname Springboard  
The Lacy Lineage Archive  
People, Places & Things

The Family Query Forums  
Family Names & Surnames  
Surname & Family Homepages

**Specialty Gateways**

<http://www.gengateway.com/extras.htm>

On-line Obituary Searches  
Website & WWW Searches  
Query Forum Page Index

On-line Military Searches  
Beginner Help Listings  
On-line Databases & Gophers

**Ethnic & International**

<http://www.gengateway.com/myworld.htm>

International Listings  
The Gateway To Scotland  
Worldwide & Ethnic Resources

Acadian & Ireland Listings  
Easy Index To United States  
Newsgroups and Mailing Lists

**United States Resource**

<http://www.gengateway.com/usa-page.htm>

All 50 States Easy Index  
Surname & Family Listings  
USA Vital Statistics

NGS Resource Listings  
Military & Virginia Links  
History & Historical Maps



Quoting from Steve Lacy himself, "This list is an immense collection of the best genealogy, history and family related homepages on the internet. Through these links one can find anything & everything genealogical on the WWW. It is a condensed "access map" to the more than 14,500 files that make up the Genealogy Gateway(TM) To The Web. Be sure to "bookmark" this fast loading page (<http://www.gengateway.com/collect.htm>) and use it as your personal bookmark file to the complete world of on-line genealogy."



## BOOK REVIEWS

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### **A LOCKHART FAMILY IN AMERICA**

By Anna May COCHRANE IV GREGATH soft cover, 138 pages, full index \$10.00 postpaid  
Four generations of frontiersmen in PA, VA, OH, NE, and OK begin with Robert LOCKHART, born ca. 1744 in Scotland, who married prior to June 1778 Margery (DENNY) WILSON of Chester County, PA. There are wills, narratives, and area histories throughout. Extended to seven generations, allied lines include ALEXANDER, COOK, GOOD, JACKSON, McCULLEN, SCRIVENOR, and WILSON.

Order from: Gregath Publishing Co., Box 505, Wyandotte, OK 74370

### **C. P. BERRY CLAN 1854-1997**

Compiled by Betty Jo BERRY MINER, soft cover, 85 pages, full index Price on Request  
Columbus Payne BERRY (1854 GA - 1941 LA) married 7 Nov 1878 Sarah Edna Rebekah KING (1861 GA - 1955 AR). Their eleven children are treated in individual sections that include listings of 31 grandchildren and 74 great-grandchildren. Although documentation is lacking, there is enough information to provide a basis for further research. Current addresses are given for descendants, and among the surnames are ALACK, COBB, HEARN, LAGRONE, RADER, and WALKER.

Order from: Betty Jo MINER, 500 Laurel Lane, Marshall, TX 75672

### **THE HOUSE OF CANTELOU & CO.**

By Stephen A. McLEOD hard cover, 705 pages, full index \$44.95 postpaid  
The author's research in France and America resulted in this well-done biography of Louis CANTELOU (born ca. 1756 in France) who married 17 Apr 1784 Alice CYRMES (born 28 May 1757 VA) in Lunenburg Co. VA. There is a section on each of their five sons. Narrative style throughout; photos; references; CANTELOU Arms. Surnames include AYCOCK, BENNETT, BuBOSE, GOBBLE, IVEY, KEY, NUNN, RANSOM, TANKERSLEY, ZENZEN.

Order from: Stephen A. McLEOD, 602 N. Lakeshore Drive, Tallahassee, FL 32312-1415

### **OBITUARIES OF BENTON COUNTY ARKANSAS, Volume 10, 1930-1931**

By Barbara PICKERING EASLEY soft cover, 455 pages, full index \$39.00 postpaid  
With the additions of Volume 10, the collection of Benton County Obituaries presented in this series now extends from 1884 through 1931. Calendar year chapters are alphabetically arranged by Surname. Maiden names are included when known, as well as family information not furnished in the original obituary. Surnames include ALLEN, BOGGS, DEASON, HODGES, LEWIS, OSBORNE, TAYLOR, YOUNG.

Order from: Heritage Books, Inc., 1540-E Pointer Ridge Place, Suite 300, Bowie, MD 20716



### **MATILDA'S STORY**

By Jacquelyn HANSON                      hard cover, 654 pages, chapter index                      \$27.45 postpaid  
A biographical novel that follows the life of Matilda RANDOLPH, born 1836 Randolph's Grove, IL, and the daughter of John Gardner RANDOLPH of NC and Elizabeth Ann STRINGFIELD of AL. Matilda married (1) Lewis Clark BALDWIN and had issue, and (2) Alfred WHELOCK. Genealogy section includes COTTRELL, DYER, EVANS, MOORE, ROBERTSON, TATE, and WELCH. The author, Matilda's great-granddaughter, realized that Matilda's life and experiences as a pioneer woman should be preserved, which resulted in a personal journey to trace the covered-wagon trek from Kansas to California. Included are some fictional episodes that are based on true-life accounts.

Order from: Glenhaven Press, 2401 E. Orangeburg, Suite 675-109, Modesto, CA 95355

### **OUR YOUNG FAMILY**

By Norman R. YOUNG                      hard cover, 440 pages, full index                      \$35.00 postpaid  
Compiled by generations, using a Modified Register numbering system, the line of George Jacob YOUNG (JUNG) and his wife, Anna Maria, is traced primarily through their son, Heinrich Jacob YOUNG (born 1791) and his issue. Emigrations from the Pfalz section of Germany began in the year 1839 with the families settling near Ossian, Indiana. Narrative style, family photos, documents, bibliography, background history comprising Germany of that period. Allied family lines include ARNETT, DETTMER, GROTRIAN, LIPP, RESLER, TODD, ZIMMER.

Order from: Norman F. YOUNG, 509 Cokesbury Lane, Ashville, NC 28803

### **47 PIONEER FAMILIES OF ROCKINGHAM CO., VIRGINIA**

by Robert L. BROCK                      hard bound, 434 pages, full index                      \$40.00 postpaid  
An account of closely integrated families with common backgrounds and interests from the late 1700s, to westward migrations during the period 1858-98. Interim stops in Ohio, Indiana and Illinois and into Missouri. Three-part compilation includes European origins, individual surname chapters with narratives, data sources and Missouri, Ohio and Indiana descendants. Among the featured surnames are ARMENTROUT, BOWMAN, FITZWATER, LAYMAN, ROADCAP, TRISSEL, ZIGLER.

Order from: Robert L. BROCK, 1925 SW 170<sup>th</sup> St., Seattle, WA 98166-3345

### **SOME EARLY LLOYD (LOYD) FAMILIES OF NEW JERSEY, VIRGINIA, TENNESSEE, AND KENTUCKY**

by Gary G. LLOYD                      soft bound, 166 pages, full index                      \$17.00 postpaid  
Biographical information for 915 descendants of Thomas LOYD (b. prior 1745 NJ) who migrated to VA (by 1783), then to TN by 1793. Among others, children include Nicholas LOYD, Eleanor BACK, Frethias LOYD and John LOYD. Narratives, 3 generation chart, maps, illustrations, references. Allied lines include ALBRIGHT, DeGARMO, GILL, LYND, PROKOPCHUK, SHIREY, VAUGHN, YANDRELL.

Order from: Gary G. LLOYD, 7 Center Rd., Kirksville, MO 63501

### **SOME SLAVEHOLDERS AND THEIR SLAVES, UNION PARISH, LOUISIANA, 1839-1865**

by Harry F. DILL and William SIMPSON    soft bound, 195 pages, full index    \$24.00 postpaid  
A reference book for those seeking ancestors in Union Parish during this time frame. Sources include original documents and census records. Compiled in three sections: 1. slave owners on 1860 census (18 June - 6 Aug.); 2. abstracts of successions; 3. abstracts of conveyances or slave

deeds. Selected surnames: ABSENT, CARR, FARRAR, IVEY, McGOUGH, TUBB, YONGUE. Slave index. Publisher accepts Visa/MasterCard/Checks/Money Orders.  
Order from: Heritage Books, Inc., 1540-E Pointer Ridge Pl., Suite 300, Bowie, MD 20716

### **SCHWARZTRAUBER, STEWART AND RELATED FAMILIES**

by Sayre Archie SCHWARZTRAUBER hard bound, 1000 pages, full index

Chapter 1 includes all of the Swiss and German ancestors of the SCHWARZTRAUBERS who migrated to America. Following chapters detail the line of Jacob SCHWARZTRAUBER, (1816 Bavaria - 1893 OH) m. Marie Katharina SCHILLING (1820 Mussbach - 1895 OH), his brothers and cousins. Associated lines include ARTHUR, DENNER, GLARUS, JUDY (TSCHUDI), PENQUITE, SINDALL, WING, ZINCKGRAFF. Charts, sources, maps, numerous family photos.

To order, contact: Sayre Archie SCHWARZTRAUBER, P. O. Box 589, Osterville, MA 02655

### **GRIGSBY**

by Camellia T. DENYS hard bound, 157 pages, full index

Variant spellings of GRIGSBY are GRIGBY and GRIGBIE. Historical origins of the family in England are charted and expanded from the family tradition of Lincolnshire beginnings. John GRIGSBY, the immigrant (b. 1624 Kent, Eng.) m. Jane ROSSER in Virginia ca 1676. This line is followed through group records, narrations, maps, documents, color photos, illustrations. Associated surnames are ALLEN, ESKRIDGE, JACKSON, MASON, REMEY, TORRES, YATES.

To order, contact: Camellia DENYS, 1251 Briar, Provo, UT 84604.

### **MILLER TIMES**

By Coyne Connell Miller, Jr. spiral-bound, 336 pages, full name index \$27.00 postpaid  
Immigrant James MILLER, of English and Scotch-Irish stock, came to America in the early 1700s and settled in August County, VA. From there, the MILLER descendants went to NC, TN, AR, OK, MO, MS, and various other states. This book contains U.S. Census Records, wills, land surveys, deeds, and 70 pages of photographs. Selected surnames are: BRIGHT, CLARK JACO, JOHNSON, MILLER, ROWLAND, SIMRELL SPARKMAN, and WILSON.

Order from: C. C. MILLER, 107 Overton Road, Natchez, MS 39120-5246

### **REVOLUTIONARY WAR PERIOD – VOL. 19: BIBLE, FAMILY, AND MARRIAGE RECORDS GLEANED FROM PENSION APPLICATIONS**

By J. Chan EDMONDSON and John V. SOBIESKI

Soft cover, 149 pages, full name index \$21.00 postpaid

Concentration in this series is directed to the widow's pension application because of the scope of information it contains, and to extract the birth, marriage, and death records found therein. Material was abstracted from "selected records from Revolutionary War pensions and bounty-land warrant application files, 1800-1900, Micro Publication M-805 (record group 15) National Archives Publication. Volume 19 soldiers are HICOCK – HOLDREN. There is a composite index to Volumes 1 – 19 at <<http://www.dhc.net/~revwar>> Index: ACOCK – YOUNGLOVE.

Order from: Chan Edmondson, 4051 Buena Vista Street, Dallas, TX 75204

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*It is not so important how much you know and remember  
As it is to know where to find what you need to know.*

## ***THE JOURNAL -- TEN-YEAR INDEX (1989 - 1998)***

This is a topical index of the information published in *THE JOURNAL*, Volumes I - X (1989 - 1998). Topics included are:

- Bible Records
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- Research Articles and Information
- Computer Resources
- Articles of General Interest

### **BIBLE RECORDS:**

### **Q/Year**

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| J. W. Bickham Family Bible           | 1/1993 |
| Hattie Lucille Lacy Bridges Bible    | 1/1989 |
| Brown, McClellan, & Bullock Families | 1/1991 |
| Chiles-Pollard-Davidson Bible        | 2/1995 |
| Clarke Family Bible                  | 2/1991 |
| Field, Lewis, Strong Bible Record    | 3/1991 |
| Frederick L. Flesher Bible           | 4/1990 |
| Lillian Jefferson Gilmer Bible       | 4/1991 |
| Malinda Martha Cox Hicks             | 4/1989 |
| Mason Family Bible                   | 3/1991 |

### **CEMETERY TRANSCRIPTIONS:**

### **Q/Year**

#### ***ARKANSAS:***

|                                                          |        |
|----------------------------------------------------------|--------|
| Connell Cemetery, Marvell, AR (Phillips Co.)             | 4/1989 |
| Marks Graveyard, Marks Mills Battlefield (Cleveland Co.) | 3/1992 |
| Smalley Cemetery, Marvell, AR (Phillips Co.)             | 4/1989 |

#### ***LOUISIANA:***

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| 500 LaSalle Street, Shreveport, LA                      | 2/1998 |
| B'Nai Sholom Cemetery, Bastrop, LA                      | 1/1998 |
| Cemetery Listings, Greenwood, LA                        | 2/1996 |
| Cemeteries Preserved at Red River Lock & Dam #4         | 1/1992 |
| Cemeteries Within the Bounds of Toledo Bend, LA Project | 3/1995 |
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| Gravel Point Catholic Cemetery, Frierson, LA                 | 4/1990 |
| Greenwood Cemetery Unknown Burials, Shreveport, LA           | 3/1996 |
| Guthrie Family Cemetery (Tensas Parish)                      | 4/1994 |
| Hebrew Rest No. 2, Shreveport, LA                            | 1/1993 |
| Hebrew Rest No. 2, Shreveport, LA                            | 2/1993 |
| Hebrew Rest No. 2, Shreveport, LA                            | 3/1993 |
| Hebrew Rest No. 2, Shreveport, LA                            | 4/1993 |
| Hebrew Rest No. 3, Shreveport, LA                            | 2/1994 |
| Memorial Cemetery, Blanchard, LA                             | 3/1992 |
| Memorial Cemetery, Blanchard, LA                             | 4/1992 |
| Oakland Burials - St. Marks Episcopal Church, Shreveport, LA | 3/1995 |
| Old Newellton Cemetery (Tensas Parish)                       | 2/1991 |
| Old Nicholson Plantation Cemetery (Caddo Parish)             | 1/1991 |
| Pickens Cemetery, Shreveport, LA                             | 2/1992 |
| Three Lone Graves (Robertson, Spann) (Caddo Parish)          | 4/1992 |
| Wesley United Methodist Church Cemetery (Tensas Parish)      | 4/1993 |

**MISSISSIPPI:**

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| Concord Cemetery (near Canton, MS)                  | 1/1990 |
| Lessley Cemetery (Wilkinson Co.)                    | 2/1990 |
| Old Lewis Cemetery, Fort Adams, MS                  | 3/1990 |
| Old Sulphur Springs Catholic Cemetery (Madison Co.) | 1/1989 |
| Sulphur Springs (Culipher) Cemetery (Madison Co.)   | 1/1989 |

**TEXAS:**

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| Denson Springs Cemetery (Anderson Co.)     | 4/1995 |
| Ramah Baptist Church Cemetery (Shelby Co.) | 1/1994 |
| Ramah Baptist Church Cemetery (Shelby Co.) | 3/1994 |
| Ramah Baptist Church Cemetery (Shelby Co.) | 4/1994 |
| Ramah Baptist Church Cemetery (Shelby Co.) | 1/1995 |
| Ramah Baptist Church Cemetery (Shelby Co.) | 2/1995 |

**CHURCH RECORDS AND HISTORIES:****Q/Year****ARKANSAS:**

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|---------------------------------------------------------|--------|
| Cedar Grove/Jamestown Baptist Church (Independence Co.) | 2/1991 |
| Pilgrim's Rest Baptist Church (1899) (Lawrence Co.)     | 1/1990 |

**GEORGIA:**

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| Bethesda Baptist Church, Union Point, GA (Greene Co.) | 1/1992 |
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**LOUISIANA:**

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| Fellowship Baptist Church, Dubach, LA | 4/1998 |
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| Baptism Records (1905-1922)                           | 1/1997 |
| Death Register (1904-1912)                            | 1/1992 |
| Death Register (1912-1918)                            | 2/1992 |
| Death Register (1918-1922)                            | 3/1992 |
| Dunlap Death Register (1875)                          | 3/1992 |
| Holy Trinity Catholic Church, Shreveport (1898)       | 1/1990 |
| Keachie Presbyterian Church (DeSoto Parish)           | 3/1993 |
| LA Baptist Ministers - 1859                           | 4/1997 |
| LA Baptists (1925-1962)                               | 2/1993 |
| Red River Presbytery (N. LA Ministers)                | 4/1989 |
| Resolution Grace Church (St. Mark's Episcopal) (1851) | 4/1990 |
| Some Early Baptist Churches in LA                     | 2/1992 |
| Some Early Baptist Churches in LA                     | 3/1992 |

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| Hopewell Baptist Church, Crystal Springs (Org. 1828) (Copiah Co.) | 3/1989 |
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| Springfield Baptist Church (Org. 1872) (Scott Co.)                | 2/1989 |

***TEXAS:***

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| Smyrna Baptist Church (Cass Co.) | 3/1996 |
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***VIRGINIA:***

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| Bristol Parish Baptismal Registers | 2/1994 |
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**CIVIL WAR RECORDS, ARTICLES, AND DIARIES:****Q/Year*****ARKANSAS:***

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| Arkansas Parks have Civil War Connections    | 2/1993 |
| Arkansas National Guard, 3rd Regiment (1917) | 4/1993 |

***LOUISIANA:***

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| Co E, Brazeal's Battalion, 2nd LA Cavalry   | 4/1990 |
| Deaths of La Conf. Soldiers in Other States | 4/1993 |
| Deaths of La Conf. Soldiers in Other States | 1/1994 |
| Deaths of La Conf. Soldiers in Other States | 3/1994 |
| LA Baptists and the Civil War               | 4/1992 |
| LA Baptists and the Civil War               | 1/1993 |
| LA Confederate Military Units Research      | 4/1992 |
| LA Soldiers in Conf Cemetery, Vicksburg, MS | 2/1993 |
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| <b>LOUISIANA - Caddo Parish:</b>                                |        |
| Caddo Parish, LA in the Confederacy                             | 1/1989 |
| Caddo Parish, LA in the Confederacy                             | 2/1989 |
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| Caddo Parish, LA in the Confederacy                             | 2/1990 |
| Conf. Soldiers Who Died at the Conf. Hospital in Shreveport, LA | 1/1998 |
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| Enumeration of Conf Soldiers & Widows (1911)                    | 3/1992 |
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| Camp Moore Reopening (1993)                                     | 1/1994 |
| <b>LOUISIANA - Union Parish:</b>                                |        |
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| <b>OKLAHOMA:</b>                                                |        |
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| Muster Roll of Capt. Wm. H Martin (Henderson Co.)               | 3/1995 |
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| Memoirs of Isaiah Edward Bazer, 19th Inf, Co F                  | 1/1993 |
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| My Glidewell Family            | 3/1992 |

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| Old Families of Little Rock, AR (1931) | 3/1989 |
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***KANSAS:***

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***LOUISIANA:***

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| Ancestor Chart - Bennie Rachel Bailey (Claiborne Parish)            | 1/1996 |
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| Ancestor Chart - William James Dennis (Bossier Parish)              | 3/1997 |
| The Duprees of Red River Parish, LA                                 | 1/1992 |
| Reverend John Dupree (1806-1899) (Red River Parish)                 | 1/1992 |
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| Old Greenwood Plantation (Flower Family, West Feliciana Par)        | 1/1992 |
| "In the Gloaming" Goldsby Family (Union Parish)                     | 1/1991 |
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| Nancy Cox and Lewis Henderson (Union Parish)                        | 3/1997 |
| Family Group Sheet - Lewis A. T. Johnson (Bienville Parish)         | 3/1995 |
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| Notable Men of Louisiana                                            | 1/1994 |
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| Atwood 71st Wedding Anniversary          | 1/1993 |
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| Ancestor Chart - Elizabeth Pauline Waite | 2/1996 |
| Ancestor Chart - Paul Terry Wiggins      | 2/1996 |
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## *Genealogist's Night Before Christmas*

'Twas the night before Christmas When all through the house  
Not a creature was stirring, Not even my spouse.

The dining room table with clutter was spread With pedigree charts and letters which said...  
"Too bad about the data for which you wrote; Sank in a storm on an ill-fated boat."

Stacks of old copies of wills and such Were proof that my work had become too much.  
Our children were nestled all snug in their beds, While visions of sugarplums danced in their heads.

And I at my table was ready to drop From work on my album with photos to crop.  
Christmas was here, and such was my lot That presents and goodies and toys I'd forgot.

Had I not been busy with grandparents' wills, I'd not have forgotten to shop for such thrills,  
While others bought gifts to bring Christmas cheers, I'd spent time researching those birth dates and years.

While I was thus musing about my sad plight, A strange noise on the lawn gave me such a great fright.  
Away to the window I flew in a flash, Tore open the drapes and yanked up the sash.

When what with my wondering eyes should appear, But an overstuffed sleigh and eight small reindeer.  
Up to the house top the reindeer they flew, With a sleigh full of toys and 'ole Santa Claus, too.

And then in a twinkle, I heard on the roof The prancing and pawing of thirty-two hoofs.  
As I drew in my head, and bumped it on the sash, Down the cold chimney fell Santa--KER-RASH!

"Dear" Santa had come from the roof in a wreck, Tracked soot on the carpet, (I could wring his short neck!)  
Spotting my face, good 'ole Santa could see I had no Christmas spirit you'd have to agree.

He spoke not a word, but went straight to his work And filled all the stockings, (I felt like a jerk).  
Here was Santa, who'd brought us such gladness and joy: When I'd been too busy for even one toy.

He spied my research on the table all spread "A genealogist!" He cried! (My face was all red!)  
"Tonight I've met many like you," Santa grinned, As he pulled from his sack a large book he had penned.

I gazed with amusement--the cover it read *Genealogy Lines for Which You Have Plead*.  
"I know what it's like as a genealogy bug." He said as he gave me a great Santa hug.

"While the elves make the sleigh full of toys I now carry, I do some research in the North Pole Library!  
A special treat I am thus able to bring, To genealogy folk who can't find a thing."

"Now off you go to your bed for a rest, I'll clean up the house from this genealogy mess."  
As I climbed up the stairs full of gladness and glee, I looked back at Santa who'd brought much to me.

While settling in bed, I heard Santa's clear whistle, To his team, which then rose like the down of a thistle.  
And I heard him exclaim as he flew out of sight, "Family history is Fun! Merry Christmas! Goodnight!"

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