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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

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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Our quarter publication, ***THE JOURNAL***, welcomes unpublished material pertaining to genealogy and history, particularly in North Louisiana.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 Collections of the Shreve Memorial Library in Shreveport, Louisiana.

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*The only rose without a thorn is friendship.*

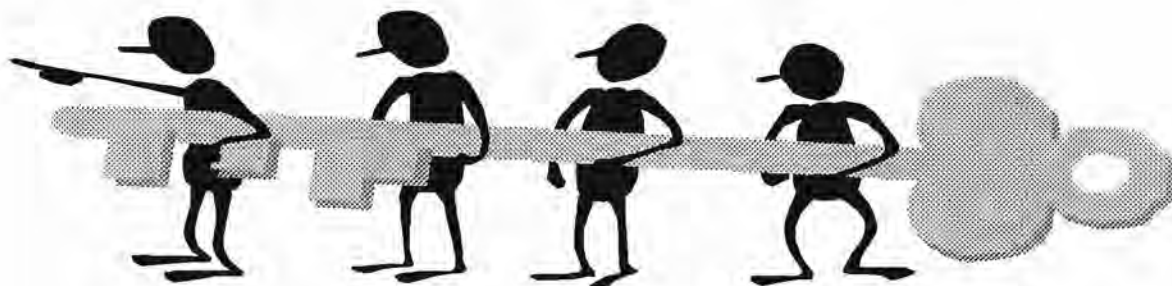
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***Together, we can unlock the secrets of the past.***

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## MARK YOUR CALENDAR



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

January 2, 1999	February 6, 1999	March 6, 1999
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 Achee 318-746-3688 or Laura Duffy 318-424-7648 for up-to-date program information. (E-Mail: [bachee@softdisk.com](mailto:bachee@softdisk.com) or [lhduffy@shreve.net](mailto:lhduffy@shreve.net))

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

The Ark-La-Tex Genealogical Association, Inc. will hold its Annual Genealogical Seminar "Locating Your Conderate Forebear" featuring Peggy Fox and Jim Whittington on August 13-14, 1999. A registration form is on the next page; don't miss this event!

The Arkansas Genealogical Society will hold its 1999 Fall Seminar & Book Fair on October 22-23, 1999. There will be several speakers on a variety of topics. Contact David Malone at P. O. Box 1048, Fayetteville, AR 72702-1048 for further details.

## IN MEMORY

*Benjamin Hunter Graham -- February 24, 1999*

*Evelyn Sandifer Hall -- January 29, 1999*

*Clinton Devon Lanning -- January 19, 1999*

*Wayne Ralph Sullivan -- May 2, 1999*



ARK-LA-TEX GENEALOGICAL ASSOCIATION, INC.  
ANNUAL GENEALOGICAL SEMINAR  
PRESENTS

**"LOCATING YOUR CONFEDERATE FOREBEAR"**

PEGGY FOX SPEAKING ON

- ♦ STATE TROOPS, HOME GUARD, AND STATE MILITIA
- ♦ CONFEDERATE STATES OF AMERICA TROOPS (CSA)
  - ♦ CONFEDERATE GOVERNMENT TROOPS
- ♦ SOURCES: *PENSIONS, CAPSULE HISTORIES, STATE ARCHIVES, NATIONAL ARCHIVES, SPECIAL COLLECTIONS, LOCAL LIBRARIES*

AND

JIM WHITTINGTON RE-ENACTING

- ♦ GETTING READY FOR BATTLE IN THE CIVIL WAR

FRIDAY, AUGUST 13, 1999  
7:00 P.M. - 9:00 P.M.

AND

SATURDAY, AUGUST 14, 1999  
9:00 A.M. - 5:00 P.M.

AT THE

RAMADA INN, SHREVEPORT  
5116 MONKHOUSE DRIVE  
SHREVEPORT, LA 71109

WITH A SPECIAL ROOM RATE OF \$59.00 PLUS TAX FOR OUT-OF-TOWN GUESTS

**P**eggy Fox is a nationally recognized lecturer and has conducted many workshops on various Civil War topics. Her ancestors arrived in Hill County, Texas, from Tennessee and Mississippi during the late 1860's. Having descendants of Confederate soldiers in her family tree, she is currently the Assistant Director of the Confederate Research Center, Hill College, Hillsboro, Texas. Mrs. Fox is President of the Hill County Genealogical Society, and a member of the Hillsboro Historical Society, Hill College Century Club, Hillsboro Heritage League. She is Saturday's featured speaker.

**J**im Whittington is an entertaining speaker who uses historical re-enactment in his presentations. On Friday he will wear a Confederate soldier's uniform and will re-enact a Confederate soldier preparing for battle. Mr. Whittington was in the movie, "Gettysburg."

Various vendors will have genealogical books and material available for sale. Please call Mrs. Ethel Krause at (318) 746-3125 if you need additional information concerning this Seminar.

A registration fee of \$30.00 includes lectures with light refreshments (August 13) and lunch (August 14). The registration fee without lunch on Saturday is \$20.00. Registration for Saturday's lectures begins at 8:00 a.m. Deadline for the submission of four (4) surnames: August 1, 1999. Register early. Seating is limited.

Mail registration form with check or money order (\$30.00 with lunch; \$20.00 without lunch) made payable to the Ark-La-Tex Genealogical Association, Inc., Post Office Box 4462, Shreveport, LA 71134-0462.

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## ***WRITING GENEALOGICAL CORRESPONDENCE***

by Doug Smith, Senior Producer  
Palladium Interactive, Inc. <webstar@palladium.net>

Like many hobbyists I learned good research habits by making mistakes or achieving success. Letter writing was no different. The responses to my first letters were embarrassing. The clerks who read my letters found them unclear or lacking in important information required to locate the record. After more than a few returned requests I did my best to follow these simple rules:

- \* Determine the correct address for the agency that can provide a certified copy of an official record.
- \* Always know the correct cost of the record or search you want. Send the payment in an acceptable form. I always send payment in the form of a money order. Virtually everyone accepts money orders since they are as good as cash.
- \* When I anticipate writing lots of letters to a specific area I purchase a phone book for that town or county.
- \* Be specific about the record you ask for and always include enough information about the person in the record you expect to find. When you send for a birth record, also mention the mother's maiden name and the father's name as well as any dates or places that might be used to confirm the identity of a person.
- \* Provide as much information as you can on one page. The longer the letter the less likely you are to get a good response.
- \* Be neat. Make sure your letter is easy to read.
- \* Keep in mind that official records are not kept primarily for genealogical purposes. Registrars are busy with the work of the courts and other public agencies.
- \* Don't write with a chip on your shoulder. An angry, pushy, or demanding attitude gets you nothing. Look at it this way: in most cases you will be writing for information where you don't pay taxes. The fee you pay for the record probably doesn't cover the entire cost of the search. Your success depends on how well you write the letter and in the quality of the information you supply. An angry letter is going to get very little notice. Angry letters can also ruin the next search for the next family historian who mails a request to that same clerk.
- \* Always send a self-addressed stamped envelope (SASE) with each request. I do this even if the cost of the record should include return postage.

Things have improved a lot since I started in the 1980s. The Palladium Interactive Records Requester <http://www.uffree.com> is an excellent genealogical utility for creating and tracking my correspondence. It contains many of the addresses you will need for vital record searches in the U.S. and abroad. (Records Requester comes with default letters in 13 languages.) You can edit letters that the program creates to reflect your writing style, and even keep copies of the letters for later review. The handy correspondence log in the product not only tracks the letters it creates, it lets me log all my correspondence. For sure, I'll never write the same letter twice. My correspondence is clearer and includes all the important information.

*Previously published in RootsWeb Review, Volume 1, No. 12 (September 2, 1998). Please see their Web Page at: <http://www.rootsweb.com>*

# 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 Miss Bugg: My great-grandfather married an Indian Princess after the Civil War in Arkansas or Missouri. I can't seem to find them in the Census Records. Any ideas?

Dear Princess: The white people who married Indians were not listed on the Census Records if the marriage took place in Oklahoma, Arkansas, or Missouri before 1889 because they were considered part of the Indian Nation into which they married. Starting in 1906, all Indians had to fill out a claim including children, parents, grandparents, birth, death, and other information. The National Archives in Washington, D.C. has these applications to the Court of Claims. Now, about that Princess part.....



Dear Ima G\* Bugg: I am in the process of writing my family history and wish to publish portions of it in various periodicals. Is there any way I can protect my material until I actually publish my book?

Dear Writer: Yes, you can. Under the title of your article, write the word *Copyright* followed by the year in which you began writing and your name. This is called "common-law copyrighting" and will protect your work until your book is printed. You can file copyright papers with the Copyright Office, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C. 20559. To avoid problems with who has the original copyright to published material, mail a certified copy of your material to yourself before you publish it; when you receive it, file it unopened. If you have a problem later on, you have a sealed, dated copy of your material to present to the judge.



Dear Miss Ima: The burned courthouse villian has struck again. Can you tell me some other places to look for information that might have gone up in smoke?

Dear Scorched: There are more places to look than you might imagine. One of our members, Reese Sircher, has recently written an article on that subject, and it is published in this issue of **THE JOURNAL**. So, read and enjoy!



*Families are like fudge...mostly sweet...with a few nuts.*

## ***THE COURTHOUSE IS BURNT!***

*By our Roving Reporter, Reese Sircher*

It was a beautiful fall afternoon when an explosion and fire swept through the Hazard County Courthouse. Fortunately no one was injured although the Record Room suffered severe damage. The loss was most keenly felt by a visitor to our city, Anita Record. I heard her distressed cry, "What am I to do? The Courthouse is burnt! Oh, my! Everything is gone. . ."

"Honey, can I help you?" an interested bystander came up, "I'm Hope Springs. Just what did you want in the Courthouse anyway?"

"Why", said Anita, "I came to find everything there is to know on my great-grandmother, Anne Cestor. I'm sure it was all in there, and now it's gone. . ."

"Now don't fret", said Hope encouragingly, "I'm sure someone here can help you. Let's see, there's Ms. Newsworthy." She works at the Hazard Weekly Standard. "Ms. Newsworthy, this is Anita Record and she needs help finding information on her family."

"Well, my dear," Ms. Newsworthy said factually, "I keep at least one copy of every paper I print. Maybe you will find what you're looking for in my files. Exactly what are you interested in?"

"Genealogical information," said Anita, "I was hoping to find a marriage record on my great-grandparents that would give me their parents' names."

"Oh, I see," said Ms. Newsworthy, "you're needing really old news. Copies of newspapers prior to 1990 have been committed to microfilm and that film can be viewed at the State University Library."

"I was interested in Probate Records too," said Anita, "I had hoped to find when my great-grandparents died, possibly find their graves. . ."

"Well, well, little lady, let me introduce myself, I'm Mort Titian, proprietor of Titian Funeral Home. Most folks don't volunteer to come visit me. But over to the funeral parlor I keep real good records. Better than most businesses in town. And almost everyone does business with me in the end. I have records back to 1875 when our family started the business. Oh, and I know where all the bodies are buried."

"Before you start giving her a sales pitch, Mort," interjected Ms. Newsworthy, "I want Anita to talk to Ms. Knowless. Anita, this is Ms. Knowless, principal of the Hazard School."

"Yes, Ms. Newsworthy, what is this about?" asked Ms. Knowless."

"I'm Anita Record and I came here to find information on my family and the Courthouse is burnt."

"Well, Antia," Ms. Knowless said instructionally, "I keep the very best of records. I have to send a school census to the State Board of Education. I keep attendance records, and, of course, parents' names and addresses. You are welcome to stop by any day during school hours. All my records are in apple-pie order. And have you considered visiting Ms. Goodwin, secretary of the Town Church? Oh, there she is, Ms. Goodwin!"

"Ms. Goodwin, I want you to meet Anita Record and see if you can help her with some information on her family."



"Why, of course," gushed Ms. Goodwin, "we have all kinds of records at the Town Church. We have records of births (you know we sprinkle), marriages, and deaths. We give letters of introduction to members in good standing when they move off. I keep up with all these things in the minutes. And, if we have to remove a member in bad standing, that's in there too. You are always welcome at the Town Church. We're the oldest institution in the area, organized in 1843!"

"Are you looking for old records, young lady? May I introduce myself, I'm Arch Chives. I have an area on the second floor of the City Library. We have a lot of military records there. The Daughters of the American Revolution and the Sons of Confederate Veterans visit me a lot. We have pension records that often give the applicant's birth, marriage and family connections. We have all the records from the Old Soldiers Home. We have land bounty warrant records. Now original land patents are at the Land Office in Washington City. But in our archives we have a lot to look at. And while you're in the library, be sure to meet our librarian. Oh, here she is right here. Anita, this is Paige Turner, our librarian. She can help you with family history."

"Hello, Anita," Paige shook her hand reservedly, "we have several family histories in the library. Were you contacted when the Mug Book man came and took information on families in our county? Well, there was a slight charge to have your family included in the Hazard County Biographical Volumes. And I noticed that some of it is not quite accurate. But, of course, when you're *paying* to put your family history in, you can tell it your way! Most of the family history books written by individual researchers are more credible. And, one of our local writers, Warren Peace, although working on historical fiction, has done a great deal of research in this area. You might want to read his book for local color and to get a feel for what was going on in the county in years past. Let me introduce you to his sister, Lydie Gation. She's a legal secretary."

"Lydie, this is Anita Record, she's looking for records on her family and is distraught that the Courthouse has burned."

"Hello, Anita," said Lydie brightly, "I'm a legal secretary. I work for Sioux, Cheatham & Winn, you know, the grandsons of old Will Sioux, who began a law practice in this county in 1850. We have every file on every case ever handled by the firm, whether Civil or Criminal. Of course, we're very busy. You would have to know exactly what you're looking for before submitting a request to review a file. We will advise all of our clients to refile their deeds at the Courthouse after this fire. But you know how people put things off. They probably won't do so until the property changes hands years from now."

"Another source, particularly for land records, would be the Abstract Title Co. They do title searches for us all the time. Why Steele Trapp, one of the partners of the title company, can give you a six or seven generation rundown on just about any property in the county. Of course, their first priority is running a business, and there is a fee for their records."

"Excuse me! Excuse me!" a scowling woman interrupts, "I'm Neva Humble, Clerk of Court of Secure County. Perhaps I can help you. You may not know, but Secure County is one of our *original* counties. Much older than Hazard County. Some call Secure a "parent county." Why, Hazard wasn't even divided off from Secure County until after the War of Northern Aggression. All our records are well kept. Now if your people were latecomers to the area, carpetbaggers and such, then I doubt we have anything on them. But, if your people were among the *original pioneers*, then we will have your records at the Secure County Courthouse. We keep our records high and dry in Secure County. We pride ourselves that we have never lost a deed book. Our motto is, "We keep our records secure, while they mature."

"Well", said Anita expectantly, "I believe there is hope for my research!"



## FROM OUR EXCHANGE QUARTERLIES



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

### **CONCUBINAGES & LEGITIMIZATIONS - ST. LANDRY PARISH, LA (1821-1833)**

These legitimization were recorded among early 19<sup>th</sup> cent. deeds, Conveyances, Vol. F1 – H. *American Genealogy Magazine*, Vol. 13, Nos 1&2 (March-June, 1998), Stephenville, TX

**SEARCHING FOR YOUR CIVIL WAR ANCESTOR** -- Sources are provided for Civil War research, including web sites, and addresses for libraries and archives.

*Branching Out*, Vol. 26, No. 2 (February 1999), Marissa, IL

**THE CIVIL WAR IN CLARK CO, AR** -- The entire annual issue is devoted to articles, records, rosters, cemetery lists, and other information relating to the Civil War.

*Clark County Historical Journal*, 1998, Arkadelphia, AR

**PELICAN, LA** -- This entire issue is devoted to the town of Pelican, DeSoto Parish, LA.

*DeSoto Plume*, Vol. XXXIV, No. 2 (Spring 1999), Mansfield, LA

**MUSTER ROLL OF CO. K (THEN G), 8<sup>TH</sup> TN INF, CSA** -- This Company fought at Corinth, MS. The listing was prepared by John S. Quarles, Captain, and contains personal information on most of the soldiers.

*The Upper Cumberland Researcher*, Vol. XXIII, No. 4 (Winter 1998), Cookeville, TN

**OLIVER SPRINGS CEMETERY** -- Survey of cemetery located on Carney Lane (about half way between Figure Five and Rudy off of Highway 348) in Crawford Co, AR.

*Panning for Nuggets of Old*, Vol. 19, No. 2 (Fall, 1998), Alma, AR

**CROSSETT GENEALOGY** -- A compilation of genealogical material relating to ancestors of Edward Clark Crossett; begins with Anthony Du Crozat, a Huguenot refugee settling in Ireland.

*Kin Collecting*, Vol. XIII, No. 3 (Winter 1998), Crossett, AR

**WARRENTS OF SURVEY – LEXINGTON DIST (SC) 1840-1868** -- This abstract contains the name and date, and in some cases, other information is provided.

*Dutch Fork Digest*, Vol. XIII, No. 4 (December 1998), Chapin, SC

**1841 PIKE COUNTY ARKANSAS TAX LIST** -- Alphabetical list of present owners (in 1841) of all property taxed.

*The Gems of Pike County Arkansas*, Vol. VII, No. 4 (Fall 1996), Murfreesboro, AR

**DESCENDANTS OF ELISHA THOMPSON RANKIN** -- Rather detailed genealogy of Elisha Thompson Rankin (born 1845 Tishomingo Co, MS; died 1911 Roy, Pike Co, AR) who married Martha Willie Daniel in 1884 in White Oak, Cleveland Co, AR.

*The Arkansas Family Historian*, Vol. 36, No. 1 (March 1998), Hot Springs, AR

**UNION CO (NC) ABSTRACTS FROM THE CHARLOTTE DEMOCRAT – 1890 --**  
These abstracts can help Union Co researchers during the time-period gap due the burning of the 1890 Federal Population Census.

*The Carolinas Genealogical Society*, Vol. XXXIV, No 4 (Spring 1997-1998), Monroe, NC

**INDEX TO SOME PROBATE DOCKETS OF RAPIDES PARISH, LA 1854-1940 --**  
Continuing series from the book of the same title.

*Central LA Genealogical Society*, Vol. 12, No 1 (January 1998), Alexandria, LA

**1860 CLAIBORNE PARISH LA CENSUS --** Continuing series shows Name (including household members), Age, Sex, Occupation, R/P Property, Birthplace, Married, School, and Read/Write status.

*Claiborne Parish Trails*, Vol. XIII, No. 2 (Second Quarter, 1998), Shreveport, LA

**ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH RECORDS --** A combined register of births, marriages, and deaths in Wilmington, NC, beginning in 1845.

*Clarendon Courier*, Vol. 11, No. 1 (Winter 1999), Wilmington, NC

**PROBATE COURT RECORD BOOK A (1841-1850) --** Continuing series of transcriptions of these probate records.

*Bradley County Roots*, Vol. VII, No. 3 (September 1998), Warren, AR

**CLARKE CO (AL) POST --** Extractions from from this weekly newspaper from 1836 and 1865; series will be continued.

*Clarke Co Historical Society*, Vol. 22, No 1 (Summer 1997), Jackson, AL

**THE GRIFFITH FAMILY OF DeSOTO PAR (LA) --** This history begins with Edward Joseph Griffith, born 1834 in GA and settled in DeSoto Parish in 1859. He married Margaret Jane Pace in DeSoto Parish in 1859.

*DeSoto Plume*, Vol. XXXIV, No. 3 (Summer 1998), Mansfield, LA

**ROGERS FAMILY RECORDS --** History of the Rogers family in DeSoto Parish LA. Other families mentioned are Wagner and Jenkins.

*DeSoto Plume*, Vol. XXXIV, No. 3 (Summer 1998), Mansfield, LA

**WOOD FUNERAL HOME RECORDS (BOGATA, TX) --** This is a continuing series, beginning with the oldest available record book. It is arranged in alphabetical order and gives date and place of death.

*Red River Co TX Genealogical Society Quarterly*, Vol. XIV, Spring 1999, Clarksville, TX

**ABSTRACTS OF TATE CO (MS) WILL BOOK I --** Continuing series, late 1800s.

*Tate Trails*, Vol. XVI, No 1 (March 1997), Senatobia, MS

**THEY ALSO WORE GREY --** Detailed information about the Key family members who served during the War Between the States.

*The Arkansas Family Historian*, Vol. 37, No. 1 (March 1999), Hot Springs, AR

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Have a place for everything and keep the thing somewhere else; this is not advice, it is merely custom.

.....Mark Twain



**SHREVEPORT CHAPTER  
AFL-CIO CENTRAL TRADES & LABOR  
COUNCIL RECORDS 1902-1976**

Extracted from material in the Noel Memorial Library, Archives and Special Collections of Louisiana State University in Shreveport.

The surviving records of the Shreveport Chapter of the Central Trades & Labor Council cover the earliest years, 1902-1907 and then take up again in 1957. The correspondence concerns Chapter applications in the early years and divisions of the parishes in later years.

It is often difficult to trace tradesmen in our southern census records as they followed the large construction jobs, often lodging in the boarding houses of communities where they worked.

The earliest archive record dates from March 4, 1902 and is a Charter Record from the Shreveport Central Trades & Labor Council, 118 Fannin Street, Shreveport, Louisiana. This document is signed by Joseph Gibbons and R. S. Creel, Chairman of the Charter Committee. Unions participating in this organization were the Wood Workers Union No. 183, the Barbers Union No. 161, the Shoe Makers, Bakers and Electrical Workers. George M. Sessions is listed as President of the Council. J. A. Clesi is Vice President and Joseph Gibbons is Secretary/Treasurer.

On November 2, 1903, a Charter was mailed to Sam Frankel in Shreveport.

A document dated October 28, 1903 is an application from the Council located at the corner of Texas and Common Streets. A money order for \$7.50 is included for the Charter and Seal. The number of members in the Council is 31. C. W. Cory is President and Sam Frankel is Secretary. The following members are listed:

James Cannon	Box 261
Madison M. Kendrick	1-3 Waring Building
John McNay	Painter – Local 485
D. T. Haynie	926 McNeil Street
Dave Morris	522 McNeil Street
C. W. Boatwright	143 Loma Street
Sam Frankel	216 Texas Street (location of Phelps Shoes)

Letters are sent from the American Federation of Labor, Washington, D. C. dated November 10, 1903, to W. E. White, their local organizer and representative at 522 McNeil Street and to Sam Frankel, advising the men to get together to combine their efforts at organization.

On March 29, 1905 there is an Application for Certificate of Affiliation from the Shreveport Federation of Labor, Union Labor Hall, Milam Street. The number of unions in the Federation is eight. D. J. McFarlane signs as President and J. Edward Coppedge is Secretary. The following are listed on the application:

D. J. McFarlane, 1034 Topeka Street	L. S. Ferguson
J. Edward Coppedge, General Delivery	V. T. Hazone
F. H. Mills, General Delivery	B. Stevenson
R. W. Marwel, 925 Snow Street	

May 24, 1905 W. E. White of 324 Larell (sic) Street, send \$10 to Frank Mortson in Washington, D.C. to accompany the application.

September 3, 1906, a letter is written to Frank Morrison, Sr., Washington, D.C., sending \$5 for a charter from the Shreveport Trades and Labor Union, which is composed of :

- Shreveport Typographical Union No. 155
- American Federation of Musicians No. 116
- The Printing & Pressmens Union No. 181
- United Brotherhood of Carpenters & Joiners of America No. 764
- International Association of Machinists No. 281
- International Association of Journeyman Barbers No. 1161
- International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers No. 194
- Brotherhood of Painters, Decorators & Paperhangers of America No. 485
- United Brotherhood of leatherworkers & Horse Goods Local No. 108
- International Brotherhood of Blacksmiths Local No. 62
- Brotherhood of Railway Clerks Local No. 57
- Brotherhood of Boilermakers & Iron Shipbuilders of America Local No. 328
- United Journeymen Plumbers & Gas Fitters Local No. 14

Officers of the Shreveport Trades and Labor Council, September 3, 1906, are as follows:

President	L. W. Thomas of the Printing & Pressmen
Vice Pres.	W. E. Cox of the Carpenters
Secretary	G. H. Mills of the Machinists
Treasurer	J. Dambly of the Musicians
Guide	M. G. Stewart of the Machinists
Guardian	B. S. O'Brien of the Blacksmiths
Board of Trustees:	W. E. Cunningham of the Machinists
	R. L. St. Slone of the Electricians
	W. T. Ecks of the Typographers
	H. Oglesby of the Carpenters
	A. Cooley of the Barbers

The organizer was W. T. Ecks.

October 11, 1906 a charter is issued to the Shreveport Council. It is mailed to W. T. Ecks, Box 675, Shreveport, Louisiana and forwarded to G. H. Mills.

December 20, 1956 a charter was mailed to President C. M. Shaw, Central Trades and Labor Council, Carpenters Hall, 1660 ½ Texas Avenue, Shreveport, Louisiana. It states 33 unions are members and lists the following individuals:

C. M. Shaw	AASER&MCE Division 558
Raymond B. Oliver	Fire Fighters No. 514
James H. Terrell	IBEW No. 194
Luther Mays	IBEW No. 329
D. H. Daniel	Carpenters No. 764
James S. Lynch	Fire Fighters No. 514
W. C. Graff	Barbers No. 161
J. C. Hayes	Glass & Ceramics No. 5
E. A. Bryant	Sleeping Car Porters

J. B. Avery	AASER&MCE Division 558
G. I. Miller	Carpenters No. 764
Bertha Bussie	Hotel & Restaurant Employees and Bartenders Intl. Union No. 710
L. S. Anderson	Carpenters No. 2367
C. F. Streetman	Sheet Metal Workers No. 361
I. R. Reynolds	Laundry Workers No. 44
W. T. Fountain	AASER&MCE Division 558
Curtis Williams	Meat Cutters No. 181
H. L. Carver	Letter Carriers No. 197
J. R. Britton	Glass & Ceramic Workers No. 5
J. C. Hayes	Glass & Ceramic Workers No. 5
Otha Phillips	Glass & Ceramic Workers No. 5
Ed Brown, Jr.	AFSC & ME No. 406
Mae G. Terrell	AFSC & ME No. 406
A. L. Roberts	Bakers No. 369
H. H. Williams	Bakers No. 369
Jodie Yates	Bakers No. 369
W. R. Kerr	Barbers No. 161
W. S. Cooper	Carpenters No. 764
W. M. Darwin	Carpenters No. 764
W. C. Gentry	Carpenters No. 764
J. J. Pratt	Carpenters No. 764
C. W. Plants	IBEW No. 194
Charlie A. Guin	IBEW No. 194
Victor Bussie	Fire Fighters No. 514
Terrence C. Hayes	Fire Fighters No. 514
Harry S. Adams	Fire Fighters No. 1051, Bossier City, La.
James P. Cole	Fire Fighters No. 1051, Bossier City, La.
Francis H. Disiere	Glass Cutters League No. 2
James A. Huddleston	Glass Cutters League No. 2
C. B. Monroe	Glass Cutters League No. 2
Elijah Nicholson	American Federation of Grain Millers No. 238
Thomas Turner	American Federation of Grain Millers No. 238
Henry McQueen	Hod Carriers, Building & Common Laborers No. 229
Will Mays	Hod Carriers, Building & Common Laborers No. 229
Clarice Bryant	Hotel & Restaurant Employees and Bartenders Intl. Union No. 710
Walter T. Coleman	Laundry Workers No. 44
Bennie Rowell	Laundry Workers No. 44
John E. Kerley	Letter Carriers No. 197
C. H. Adams	Machinists No. 281
George W. Mitchell	Machinists No. 281
James Ryan	Meat Cutters No. 181
B. F. Gates	IATSE&MPO No. 222
C. G. Parker, Jr.	IATSE&MPO No. 222
Harry M. Allgood	IATSE&MPO No. 222
Steve E. Grunhart	Musicians No. 116
W. C. Roberts	Oil Field & Refinery Workers No. 23091
Joe Anders	Painters No. 485
W. W. Roberson	Painters No. 485

C. E. Fitzgerald	Plumbers & Steamfitters No. 144
Sam E. Burleson	Post Office Clerks No. 418
C. A. Vogel	Post Office Clerks No. 418
W. C. Hatcher	Printing & Pressmen No. 181
J. L. Lynn	Roofers No. 59
R. P. Scudder	Roofers No. 59
W. B. Parish	Roofers No. 59
W. A. Fletcher	Sheet Metal Workers No. 361
N. I. Gamble	Sheet Metal Workers No. 361
Allen Whilley Jr.	Sheet Metal Workers No. 361
Leo Harris	Shreveport Division Sleeping Car Porters
C. E. Reichler	IATSE Stage Hands No. 298
George Gabour	Stereotypers & Electro. No. 132
C. E. Goza	Stereotypers & Electro. No. 132
E. O. Siders	Stereotypers & Electro. No. 132
E. F. Johnson	Teamsters No. 568
F. W. Dillard	AASER&MCE Division 558
Harry G. King	AASER&MCE Division 558

On an August 1, 1957 Charter, the following names will be inscribed:

C. M. Shaw	L. S. Anderson
James H. Terrell	R. R. Hicks
Raymond B. Oliver	J. E. Kerley
J. B. Avery	James S. Lynch
D. H. Daniel	L. G. Morgan
G. I. Miller	Will Mays
Harry King	Terry Hays
James E. Tolar	Mae G. Terrell
W. E. Kerr	G. R. Skidmore
W. K. Wall	T. M. Nelson

A June 7, 1968 Charter lists the following officers:

John C. Bright, President	Engineers, Operating No. 406
George P. Eagles, Vice Pres.	State, County and Municipal No. 1714
Roy L. Brister, Secy/Treasurer	Fire Fighters No. 514, Shreveport
T. W. Fountain	Transit Union No. 558
Tom F. Brown	Typographical No. 155
Johnnie J. West, Jr.	Papermakers Local No. 685
Oscar Millings	Glass & Ceramic No. 5
Joe Anders	Painters No. 385

A document dated June 17, 1968, John E. Bright is President of the Central Trades and Labor Council of Shreveport and Vicinity, AFLCIO.

In a June 15, 1976 document, John E. Bright is still president and the council covers the parishes of Caddo, Bossier, Desoto and Red River. In a June 17, 1976 document the parishes of Webster and Claiborne are relinquished to the Ruston Central Trades and Labor Council, Thomas R. Gates, President.

## ***BAPTIST BUILDERS IN LOUISIANA***

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**Rev. Joseph Willis:** father was of English and his mother of Cherokee Indian ancestry; he was born 1758 Bladen Co., N. C., reared in S. C. and in 1798 he was associated with William Thompson and Richard Curtis in the constitution of a church near Natchez, Miss. Came to Louisiana in 1804, preached at what is now Lafayette and also at Branch; later founded other churches. Moved to Rapides Parish; died Sept. 14, 1854, buried in cemetery near Occupy church in Rapides Parish. Married four times and in 1933 one son, Aimuwell Willis, was still living at age of 96.

**Rev. Peter Crawford, A. D., D. D.:** b. Louisa Co., Va., February 1809, graduated Richmond College; moved to Marion, Ala., in 1835 and was founder of Judson Female Institute, later moved to Clinton, Miss., and was president of Central Female College. Moved to Keatchie, La., 1866, and was president of Keatchie Female College and also served as pastor of other churches in the area. Married in early thirties to Miss Anna Maria Montague of Virginia, and they had four children: Mattie Victoria (Mrs. Joe Williams), late of Keatchie; Mary (Mrs. W. X. Moseley) late of Keatchie; Anne (Mrs. Dr. Ed Beasley) later of Keatchie, and Charles, who died in the war. Rev. Crawford died April 25, 1873. Rev. (Dr.) Crawford also reared a nephew, Charles Edgar Crawford, who graduated from Mississippi College in 1857, was pastor of Summer Grove and other churches and principal of Keatchie Male Academy and died 1877. Mrs. J. S. Atkinson of Shreveport is daughter of Mrs. Mary Crawford Moseley.

**Rev. William Edwards Paxton, A. B., A. M., D. D.:** b. 1825 in Little Rock, Ark., graduated Georgetown College, Ky., taught in Kentucky four years before coming to Bienville Parish, La., in 1853. Taught at Mt. Lebanon University; studied law under Judge W. B. Egan and admitted to bar at Sparta, 1854; was captain in Civil War and fought at battle of Shiloh. Licensed to preach in 1854 and ordained the next year by the Sparta Church. He accepted in 1866 the Minden church and was principal of a boys' academy there for five years. In 1872 he took charge of Baptist College for young men in Shreveport. Went to Warren, Ark., 1878 as pastor of church and principal of Centennial Institute there, and four years later to a pastorate at Fort Smith where he died in 1883. He was married three times: in 1851 in Kentucky to Sarah Mothershead, who died the same year; in 1857 to Rebecca Wardlaw of Sparta who died in 1864, and in 1866 to Mrs. Eugenia Fuller, who survived him. Living children are Mrs. D. C. Scarborough, Natchitoches; William Egan Paxton, Houston, Tex.; Mrs. James Hutchison, Shreveport, and Mrs. D. W. Saunders, Mansfield.

**Rev. William Peterson Carter, Sr., M. A.:** b. on a farm on Pontotoc Co., Miss., Oct. 12, 1852, son of Samuel and Rachel Sparks Carter; joined Pleasant Grove Baptist Church when 16 years old (near place of his birth) and later this church ordained him to preach. Graduated Miss. College 1876 with M. A. Degree, and later got degree from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, and began mission work in Louisiana. In 1880 he and W.



## Baptist Builders of Louisiana (continued):

C. Friley organized Opelousas Baptist church and in December, 1881, he became pastor of Mt. Lebanon church and about same time of Gilgal, Athens and Homer churches. Was principal of Mt. Lebanon High School and later was president of Mt. Lebanon College; died at age of 33 and buried at Athens, Claiborne parish. Died June 18, 1885, left widow, now Mrs. Alice W. Wright, and two small sons. One son, M. C. Carter, is prominent business man in N. O., and other is Rev. W. P. Carter.

**Rev. Samuel T. Cobb:** b. Tuscaloosa, Ala., Aug. 21, 1817, and remained there until the early forties when he moved to Saline Co., Ark., and soon entered Baptist ministry. Moved to Union Co., Ark., about 1847, and in 1851 he went to Caledonia Baptist Church (then called Spring Hill) and spent 20 years, serving at same time some other country churches, among them Bethel, Spearsville and later served other churches in Louisiana. He married Nov. 16, 1837, Miss Malinda Clements of Ala., and they had 12 children, six sons and six daughters. Three sons died in early life, and other three, Wilson, James H., and John S., married and reared families. Daughters were: Lucinda (Mrs. Wm. Spears), Elizabeth (Mrs. Harvey Cole), Helen (Mrs. J. E. Davis), Hannah (Mrs. Robert B. Everett), Josie (Mrs. Charles Prior) and Mollie, who died single at age 65. Rev. Cobb died Jan. 12, 1888, and was buried in Camp Creek Cemetery.

**Rev. John Pinkney Everett, D. D.:** b. March 20, 1826, in Alabama, reared in Perry County. At close of Mexican War, of which he was a veteran, he with his father, Rev. George Everett, moved to Oakland, in Union Parish, La. The oldest of 8 children, baptized by his father in 1845. Helped organize Spring Hill church and ordained there in 1855 and became its pastor in 1856, succeeding his father who died that year. Served there 20 years, also served other north Louisiana churches and some in Ark. Established a school at Oakland in 1854 with Mrs. D. A. Goldsby as principal (a widow who later married J. B. Early, Baptist minister of Ark). In 1875 he moved to Shiloh and led in establishing Concord Institute there. Married 1851 to Miss Sarah Buckley of Tenn., had 10 children, two of whom are now living: Mrs. R. M. Boone, widow of late Rev. R. M. Boone of Marks, Miss., and Edward Everett, Farmerville, La. Rev. Everett died June 21, 1891.

**Deacon Winburn Theodore Lawton:** born Feb. 6, 1843, in Buford Co., N. C., reared partly in Ga. and partly in Fla., educated at Mercer University, Macon, Ga. Served in Civil War with Confederacy and at close of war returned to his home community and taught school awhile. He married Miss Mary Anne Whaley of Troy, Ala., June 27, 1867, and had 10 children: Winburn B., Lona, Mollie, Frank, Charles, Josie, Ida, Birdie, Clara and Ralph. In 1867 Mr. Lawton, wife and little son (the later Dr. W. B. Lawton) moved to Greenwood, La., and he was superintendent of a plantation belonging to his lawyer cousin in Shreveport. Moved to Atlanta, Tex., taught school and later taught near Bloomberg, Tex. In 1878 moved to near Ida (his P. O. was Frog Level and his church was Line Creek) served his church and taught school, filled pulpit in absence of pastor. Died Nov. 14, 1892.

Baptist Builders of Louisiana (continued):

**Rev. J. C. Hale:** b. Oct. 30, 1834, Pontotoc Co., Miss., entered ministry before Civil War and was ordained. Fought for Confederacy in Civil War. Married Miss M. C. Parr of Tennessee. Soon after war ended he moved to Louisiana, locating in Grant Parish, where he spent remainder of his life, helped organize several churches, among them Hebron Church, Iatt, Bethel and Pleasant Hill, Fish Creek and others. Six children lived to be grown, but only two living now are J. R. Hale of Pineville, and Elizabeth, wife of Rev. P. W. Lofton, Sterlington. He died March 30, 1893, buried in Hebron Cemetery.

**Rev. William McBride:** b. in 1829 at Tchula, Miss.; his parents had moved there from Tenn, 1819, in a wilderness country. His mother was a Scotch woman. When 23 years old he was converted, moved to Jackson parish, La., attended Mt. Lebanon College to prepare for ministry, but forced to leave when eyes failed him. Married Mrs. Ann Hargove and they had seven children. Ordained by his home church, Ebenezer, to the ministry Jan. 1, 1860, served as pastor for 24 years. Died 1894 at Gansville.

**Rev. Franklin Courtner, M. D., D. D.:** b. Walkertown, Va., June 4, 1812, educated Richmond College, Va., and received degree in medicine from Univ. of Pennsylvania. Married to Adelaine Pendleton, 5 Nov 1835. Both converted at same time, uniting with the Baptist Church at Gainesville, Ala., at same time; ordained to ministry by Providence church, Sumter Co., Ala., in 1845. Went to El Dorado, Ark., 1845, and to Mt. Lebanon, La., about 1852. Served both as preacher and physician. Later moved to Grand Cane, La., died May 28, 1896.

**Rev. Green Washington Hartsfield, D. D.:** b. Muscogee Co., Ga., Dec. 14, 1833, son of Andrew Hartsfield, with whom he moved to Spring Ridge, Caddo Parish, La., in 1849. Converted and baptized by Jesse Lee, December 3, 1851. Attended Mt. Lebanon University and taught there; licensed to preach in 1858 and ordained in 1860. Married May 1, 1860, Eunice Haseltine Brown, daughter of George Brown of Bienville Parish (she was educated Mt. Lebanon Female College, died 1914). They had 10 children, four of whom died young. Those living are Nora (Mrs. Henry Youngblood), Mansfield, Mary (Mrs. W. H. Lester), George W., Lillian (Mrs. J. H. Anderson), Edna (Mrs. Fred McElveen) all of Shreveport. He preached 1860-65 in Bienville Parish and in 1865 accepted call to church at Mansfield, remaining there 22 years. Was pastor of Arcadia Church 1889 to time of his death, May 22, 1896, and buried at Arcadia.

**Deacon William J. Mobley, M. D.:** b. Bienville Parish, Aug. 21, 1843, son of William and Martha A. Williams Mobley, the former born in S. C., the latter in Illinois in 1819. The father was a farmer and in all probability built the first water mill in that parish. He died in 1884 and his widow survived him many years. His paternal grandfather Michael Mobley, was born S. C., his maternal grandfather (Williams) was a native of Wales. Deacon William J. Mobley was the second of three children; attended Mt. Lebanon Univ. and in 1862 left school and joined Co. C., 9<sup>th</sup> La. Inf., and fought for Confederacy; was in 32 important engagements, wounded at Sharpsburg and surrendered with Lee at Appomatox; graduated medical department of New Orleans University (now Tulane) in 1869. Began practice in Sparta, La., 1870, but moved to Bellevue, Bossier Parish. After 1879 he gave his attention also to the drug business and became owner of a 1000 acres of



## Baptist Builders of Louisiana (continued):

farming land; was coroner for some years, other activities. Married 1870 Miss Mattie L., daughter of Eldred and Mary Hardy. The former was born in S. C., the latter in Bienville Parish. Moved from Bellevue to Gibsland in 1892, then to Shreveport where both died. The doctor died March 20, 1897. During yellow fever epidemic of 1873, Dr. Graves, a Baptist philanthropist, found Jesse Woods (bereft of both parents) whom Dr. and Mrs. Mobley took and educated, he assuming their name, hence Jesse Woods Mobley, now Dr. J. W. Mobley, Vivian, La.

**Rev. J. W. Melton:** b. Perry Co., Ala., June 28, 1832, baptized at Pisgah Baptist Church, Perry Co., ordained to preach by same church about 1853; taught school in connection with his pastorates. He married about 1853 Miss Jane C. Mahan. In 1870 he moved to Claiborne Parish, La., taught and preached in Lisbon and Cold Springs church near Homer. Moved in 1894 to Shiloh, Union Parish, and was at Pisgah, Mt. Olive and Pine Grove churches. Gave up work in 1897 because of failing health and was succeeded by his son-in-law, Rev. William Cooksey. Died in 1898 and buried in cemetery at Lisbon. Has six children: William, deceased, former of Lisbon; Jesse A., Shreveport; John M. of Bernice; James W. Jr., of Antioch; Maggie (Mrs. William Cooksey) Hot Springs, Ark., and Hattie (Mrs. J. Cal Moore), Bernice, La.

**Rev. Silas Simmons Nettles, Jr.:** b. April 14, 1864 in East Feliciana Parish, La., son of D. S. S. Nettles and Elizabeth Cheney, the latter being a granddaughter of Rev. Bailey E. Cheney, first Baptist preacher to preach a sermon in Louisiana. Rev. Nettles was reared at Grangeville, small town in St. Helena Parish. Converted and united with Baptist church in 1881 while attending school at Norvilla Institute, Greensburg, La. Later spent 2 years at Miss. College, Clinton, licensed to preach by Greensburg church; ordained by Slaughter church 1888. Taught school several years in La. and south Miss. Married Oct. 23, 1887, Miss Mary Lou Morris of Wesson, Miss. Children now living are one daughter, Willie Kirke, and four sons, Silas S. Jr.; John R.; James Morris and Maine Eyric. Brother Nettles, known as Brook, was pastor at Broussard Grove, Ascension parish, then attended Southern Baptist Theological Seminary and returned to his own state to pastor Bluff Creek and Grangeville churches; then was at Clinton, Jackson, Hammond; moved to Alexandria in 1897; died of yellow fever Oct. 4, 1899, aged 35; buried Pineville.

**Rev. Jonathan S. Payne:** born N. C., Jan. 5, 1829, moved when young with his family to near Selma, Ala., married Miss Martha Weaver in 1886 and moved to Montgomery, La., 1870, was a blacksmith and then farmed. Became a deacon and the church, without a pastor, asked him to become pastor. Later held pastorates at other churches. Children: Malinda (the late Mrs. J. T. Durham of Winnfield); Mamie (Mrs. S. E. Richardson of Shreveport); J. Jackson of Albuquerque, N. M.; George A., late of Winnfield; Clem W., Lecompte, La.; Addie (Mrs. Dr. G. W. Durham); Sutton; Dr. I., later of Pineville and Alexandria; Rhoda (Mrs. J. E. Wallace), Verda, La.; Jesse L., Urania, La. (dec'd); Orzo, Pineville, La.; Emily (Mrs. H. H. Bagwell) DeRidder, La.; and Joe R., Pollock. Died 1906 and buried Mt. Zion cemetery near Montgomery, La., his wife died 24 years later.

Baptist Builders of Louisiana (continued):

**Rev. Charles William Tomkies, A. D., D. D.:** b. Oct. 18, 1847, Hanover Co., Va., son of Edward Morgan and Mary Douglass Christian Tomkies, both of Virginia; educated Randolph-Macon College, came to Louisiana 1869 and taught school; was connected with old Helm College, Shreveport, and Shreveport University and Thatcher Institute, principal of Keatchie Male Academy, 1876-78. United with Salem Baptist church, DeSoto Parish, 1872, ordained to preach 1878; served Summer Grove, Kingston (Evergreen), Spring Ridge and Boggy Bayou churches, other church offices, and became president of Keatchie College and resigned 1899 and became pastor of Valence Street church, N. C., then later at Cameron, Tex.; field secretary of theology dept., Baylor Univ. Died soon after moving to Dallas (Aug. 28, 1907 date of death); married Dec. 22, 1879, Sarah Viola Scott, daughter of James and Sarah Jefferson Scott of DeSoto Parish, formerly of Alabama. Mrs. Tomkies died June 15, 1909. They had four children: Gertrude Douglass (Mrs. John A. Simmons) Decatur, Tex.; Charles Daswell, d. 1925; James Scott Tomkies, M. D., Dallas; Sallie Battle (Mrs. George Bennett Dickson), Shreveport.

**Rev. Thomas DeLoach Bush:** b. near Westville, Simpson Co., Miss., April 26, 1844, son of Issac Bush and Martha Murray, daughter of Alex Murray, Baptist minister of south Miss. Served in Confederate Army, wounded Battle of Kennesaw Mountain; converted at 14. Baptized by Rev. Thomas Price whose daughter, Emily, he later married on March 31, 1864, had 10 children. Ordained 1876 by Juniper Grove Church, Hancock, Co., Miss., served as missionary, then pastor at Monticello, Augusta and Ellisville; attended seminary at Louisville, Ky., 1887-1888, became missionary in Louisiana, locating at Rocky Mount in Bossier Parish; moved to Keatchie; in last 20 years of his ministry he built 12 church buildings; while pastor at Vinton his health failed in 1909 and he spent remaining months with his daughter, Mrs. E. R. Gandy at West Lake, until death Feb., 1910.

**Rev. Ivan Monroe Wise, B. A., M. A., L. L. D.:** b. at Lisbon July 15, 1854, son of Ambrose and Mahany O'Bannon Wise; joined Sharon church in 1866 and was ordained and preached his first sermon at same church in 1871. Graduated Miss. College, Clinton; Liberty College and Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky. Married Oct. 29, 1879, to Mary Hagan of Lees Summit, Mo., had 9 children; Leah Wise Blanton, Houston, Tex.; Mary Wise Burt, Houston, Tex.; Paul Eaton Wise and Harold G. Wise, both of Houston; Jenness Wise Jones, Shreveport; Carl V. Wise, San Francisco; James S. Wise, N. Y. C.; Ivan Hagan Wise, N. Y. C.; and Will S. Wise, Whitsell, N. Y.; pastor at Independence, Mo., Camden, Ark., Covington, Tenn., Princeton, Ky., president of Ohio Valley College many years; mission work in Owensboro, Ky., other offices; was historian, collected data for Paxton's "History of Baptist of Louisiana", published 1888, authored "Footsteps of the Flock"; died May 22, 1912, buried in family plot at Lisbon.

**Rev. Henry Astor Sumrell, B. A., Th. B., D. D.:** b. Oct. 1, 1861, Maysville, Ky., educated Covington, Ky., and graduated Georgetown College and So. Baptist Theological Seminary; married Miss Alice Jane Pritchard of Ironton, Ohio, Oct. 31, 1882. Two children: Harold A. Sumrell, Dallas, Tex., and Mrs. Helen Sumrell Cox,

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Shreveport; served churches in Ironton, Lebanon and Mansfield, Ohio, and Bay City, Mich., Danville, Ky., and First Church in Shreveport 1904-11. Died Dec. 17, 1911, Shreveport.

**Rev. Lawrence Decatur Ivins:** b. Meringo Co., Ala., April 26, 1840, son of William Thomas Ivins and Mary Frances Johnson Ivins; his father was from New Jersey and his mother from Alabama. Moved to Louisiana with his parents when 12 years old; baptized while serving in Confederate Army; licensed to preach 1847, ordained 1848. Married March 26, 1866, to Miss Ruth Louise Posey. They had 9 children, three of whom died in early life, five grew up and reared families, and one, Miss Rosalind, died unmarried. Those marrying were Mrs. M. A. Burney, Vivian, La.; Hamilton Ivins and Mrs. L. A. Shores, Vivian; Mrs. E. F. Owens and Mrs. A. D. Conley, both deceased. Rev. Ivins was pastor at Walnut Hill, Caddo Prairie and Bethsaida, also Mooringsport, Rodessa, Line Creek, Mt. Gilead, New Hope, Bright Star, Macedonia and Ephesus and others; died 1912, buried Black Bayou church.

**Rev William Madison Reese, A. B., A. M., Ph. D.:** Born Warren Co., Ga., Dec. 16, 1847, joined Confederate Army at age of 16 and served until close of war; Baptist church, Pennfield, Ga., in 1866, ordained to ministry at Sardis, Ga., December, 1868. Married April 8, 1867, to Miss Isabella D. Hill of Georgia, who died in early part of 1888. They had 3 sons, Oswald, Maner and Jefferson. On Aug. 8, 1888, Dr. Reese married Miss May Adeline Courtney of Mt. Lebanon, La., who is now living with her daughter, Mrs. Ruby Myrtle Key, Gibsland, La. Other children are W. C. Reese of San Antonio, Tex.; E. F. Reese of Kansas City, Mo.; Dr. H. C. Reese, Nashville, Tenn.; Mrs. Grace Elizabeth Zimmerman and Mrs. Esta Mae Hettler, Shreveport. Dr. Reese graduated Mercer University, Ga., and University of Chicago, came to Louisiana in 1870, remained a year, went to Texas and edited a Baptist paper at Jasper for some time. Returned to Louisiana, held pastorates at Homer, Mt. Lebanon and others, president of Claiborne College at Homer for three years, president of Mt. Lebanon College (now Louisiana College, Pineville) in 1885; served four years, resigned ill health. Held pastorates in Texas and Miss., died in Jackson, Miss., Oct. 1, 1913.

**Prof. Charles J. Gilbert:** b. Union Parish, La., Dec. 31, 1868, son of Charles J. and Mary Powell Gilbert, the father dying before the subject of this sketch was born. The mother later married J. P. Brown and the family soon moved to Jackson Parish, locating near Jonesboro. Attended Peoples' Music School, Dayton, Va., graduated 1898; was special student at Bridgewater College, Roanoke, Va., and College of Music, Cincinnati, Ohio; taught for a few years and founded school of music in connection with Verda College, Verda, La., taught there, then Winnfield High and was head of Dept. of Music at Mt. Lebanon Academy and at Louisiana College. Wrote several songs, co-edited a music textbook. Married Miss Bettie Durham, Verda, La., June 18, 1903, and had three children: Miss Velva, teacher in East St. Louis, Ill.; Nelwyn (Mrs. Dee Hollyfield), El Dorado, Ark.; and C. J. of Ruston, La.

Baptist Builders of Louisiana (continued):

**Rev. J. V. B. Waldrop:** b. Jefferson Co., Ala., in 1838, moved to Ashley Co., Ark., and in 1866 was ordained to preach by Unity Baptist Church. He served this church 5 years, Central Church, six years, Beech Creek from 1880 to 1888 and others in same county. Moved to Spearsville, Union Parish, La., December, 1889, and was pastor 12 years. Also served Caledonia (Ark), Bethel, Mt. Union, Canaan, Camp Creek, Hebron, Beulah and Mt. Olive. Married 1858 Miss Sarah Stone, had 10 children, only 2 now living are J. M. Waldrop, Haile, La., and Mrs. Dora (C. J.) Lambert. Rev. Waldrop d. 1916, buried at Spearsville.

**Rev. Marion Monroe Voyles:** b. Dec. 17, 1860, at Cedar Town, Ga., moved with his parents when a child to Gadsden, Ala., 1869; educated in private school of C. H. Potter; moved to Tuscumbia, Ala., 1887 where he was in mercantile business. Married that same year to Miss Mae Evelyn Gurley of Corinth, Miss., and had three sons, Claude A., served a number of pastorates in La.; Fred C., died in infancy; and Thad E. Voyles. Moved in 1897 to New Orleans, La., with Southern Railway Co., felt call to ministry, did mission work. In 1905 ordained and moved to Mandeville, La., in 1907; later pastor of Zoar Baptist Church until his death in 1916, buried at this church.

**Drew Ferguson:** b. in S. C., April 16, 1848, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jonathan Ferguson; moved with his parents to Homer, La., soon after close of Civil War. Attended Mt. Lebanon College and a college in N. C., was clerk of court in Claiborne Parish for 30 years and one term in state legislature from his parish; active in church and state convention. Married first to Miss Elizabeth Otts of Homer and she died 1895; later he married, in 1896, Miss Pattie Langford of Mississippi who is still living; no children of either marriage. Died Oct. 13, 1917, buried near Homer.

**Deacon John Noah Shealy:** On July 30, 1862, in Chambers Co., Ala., a young mother wrote her husband in the Confederate Army of the birth of a second son – the baby, named for his father, was J. N. Shealy. His father died in the army without seeing the baby---his mother was Mrs. Eugenia Burson Shealy. The widowed mother and her two boys moved to La., settled in Webster Parish. John Noah and his brother, Lonnie, attended Normal College, Bowling Green, and J. N. taught in Kentucky, then at Mt. Lebanon College, La. He married Miss Lydia Walker, daughter of Rev. J. A. Walker of Webster parish, July 26, 1887, and she died June 23, 1932; they had 5 children: Kuma, Elsie, Claire, Gladys (who died in infancy), Lavinia and John Andrew. He was in business in Minden and in 1911 became superintendent of Louisiana Baptist Orphanage, Lake Charles; resigned because of failing health, died Jan. 17, 1917.

**Deacon James Lucius Durham:** b. near Cuthbert, Ga., May 21, 1848; moved with parents in 1859, to Winn parish, near Winnfield. Brother of Revs. A. P. and J. B. Durham. Married Jan. 2, 1868, Talitha McIlwain, and had 10 children. Two daughters died in infancy and 2 sons, James T. and Joel M., beyond middle life. Living children are: Rev. J. P., Junction City, Ark.; Dr. G. W. of Ruston; Mrs. Bettie Gilbert of Winnfield; Dr. S. L. of Dearborn, Mo.; Lula (Mrs. Rev. Z. F. Bond) Chicago; and Alma (Mrs. A. N. Latham), Mansfield, La. Ordained a deacon at 18; died March 10, 1920.

Baptist Builders of Louisiana (continued):

**Rev. Corneluis Emmett Foster:** b. Pickens City, Ala., May 31, 1839, son of B. F. and Julia Mitchell Foster, the former of Spartanburg, S. C., and the latter of Baltimore, Md. Spent early years in Brooksville, Miss., came to Louisiana in 1871, married in 1873 Miss Betty Sparks of Lisbon, and had seven children; ordained to ministry in 1881 by Rocky Springs church, Claiborne Parish; served that church and others, among them Walnut Creek (near Simsboro), Colquitt, Saline, Holly Springs, Sardis, Jonesboro, and Bryceland. Died 1922 at Jonesboro.

**Rev. John Alexander Hackett, D. D.:** b. Crawford Co., Ill., Oct. 13, 1832; brought by his parents when 3 years old to Madison Co., Miss., baptized in Jersusalem church, Scott County, and entered Miss. College, but did not finish because of war; entered Confederate Army, served as chaplain; ordained at Canton, Miss., served churches in Yazoo Co., and Jackson, Miss., Crystal Springs, Hazelhurst and Clinton, and in 1877 came to First Church of Shreveport; received D. D. degree from Keatchie college. Married twice, first in 1869 to Maria Storr of New Orleans who died while he lived in Shreveport, leaving him five children. In fall of 1884 he accepted the call to a church in San Antonio, Tex., and about this time married Emma Gardner; three years later he returned to Miss. and with Dr. J. B. Gambrell published the Baptist Record, published then in Meridian, also served churches in that area; returned and resided in Meridian at time of death, March 5, 1923, at age of 90. Of his first set of children three are living: Mary (Mrs. C. G. Elliott), Arkadelphia, Ark.; John A. Jr., Phillippine Islands, and Allen Storr, N. O. Two who died are Robert K., late of Cleveland, Ohio, and Albert S., Crystal Springs, Miss. Of the second set, three are living, Annie (Mrs. James Bennett) of Meridian; Oswald Gardner, Meridian, and Harley B., Charleston, S. C.

**Deacon John Wesley Ford:** b. Dec. 11, 1844, in Catahoula Parish, La., son of John Ford and Martha O'Neal Ford who had moved from Ala. to La.; baptized at Sardis Baptist church soon after he was converted in 1858. Married Cynthia Litton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Litton, Sabine parish, near Converse on Jan. 31, 1867, and she is still living at age of 82. Had 9 children: John Wesley (d. 1932); Frances Thomas, Center, Tex.; A. E., Shreveport; Evie Aaron, Noble, La.; Lawrence (Deacon), Houston, Tex.; Henry, Pleasant Hill, La., Cora Champion, Converse, La.; Preston, Logansport, and C. I., Shreveport. Deacon J. W. Ford assisted in organizing Fellowship Baptist Church and helped "split logs" for building; was a member for 48 years. Died March 5, 1923, age 79.

**Rev. Iley M. Brian:** b. near Jackson, Miss., 1847, son of Frances and Salome Causey Brian, brought to Winn Parish, La., by his parents in 1848; served 4 years in Confederate Army. Had 2 half-brothers who were Baptist preachers, B. F. and James; and two brothers, Dr. Frank N., Boyce, La. and Morgan, noted lawyer of Winnfield. One sister, Mrs. E. W. Teddlie, Coushatta, survives. Joined Shady Grove Baptist Church, Caldwell Parish; farmed and taught school. In 1872 married Miss Eula Lee Traylor of Caldwell Parish and they had 13 children, eight of whom are living include: Dr. S. Morgan Brian, Winnfield; Dr. Nat M. Brian, Montgomery, La.; E. A. Brian, Montgomery; D. A. Brian,



## Baptist Builders of Louisiana (continued):

Novosota, Tex.; Homera (Mrs. C. C. McQuiddy), Gladewater, Tex.; Nena (Mrs. O. L. Hastings), Kilgore, Tex.; Oddette (Mrs. Roy Barker) Houston, Tex.; and Olive E. (Mrs. C. T. Rhinehart), Alexandria. Ordained at Antioch Church, Winn Parish, 1885, some of early churches he served were Antioch, Sardis, New Hope, Mar's Hill in Winn Parish, Boyce in Rapides Parish, and later Robeline, Natchitoches Parish, Pollock, Selma, Rochelle, Dry Prong, Verda, in Grant Parish, and Big Cane in Avoyelles. He died Sept. 14, 1923, buried St. Maurice Cemetery, Winn Parish.

**Rev. Charles Blufred Hollis:** b. Dec. 9, 1843, in Texas; served in Civil War. Married April, 1866, Miss Samantha Peters; converted at 20, entered ministry in 1868 and ordained same year by Sand Prairie church, Madison Co., Tex. Moved to Bossier Parish 1887 and was pastor of Rocky Mount, then moved to Old Haynesville and became pastor of New Friendship, also served Homer, Colquit, Summerfield, and Blackburn. Moved 1900 to Keatchie; died March 15, 1925. Living children now are David P. Hollis, Clyde, Tex.; Mrs. Hattie Houston, Sarepta, La.; Mrs. W. J. Jones, San Angelo, Tex.; Miss Lula Hollis, Springhill, La. A son, Joseph L., died 1900.

**Rev. J. U. H. Wharton, D. D.:** b. Dec. 25, 1854, near Pine Buff, Ark., and married March, 1874, to Miss Mattie May. She died in 1891. He married again in 1892 to Miss Alice Smith of Farmerville, La. Two sons by his first wife survive: Dr. J. B. Wharton, El Dorado, Ark., and J. M. Wharton, Homer, La. A third son, John H., El Dorado, Ark., died in 1928. Rev. Wharton ordained 1875 and in 1903 Mt. Lebanon College conferred D. D. on him. Pastored at rural churches near Rison, Ark., Caledonia; Lake City, Fla.; Shiloh and Farmerville, La.; El Dorado, Ark., Ruston, La., Little Rock, Ark., Homer and Monroe, La., Strong, Ark., and Bastrop, La. He died in Homer, La., Jan. 31, 1925.

## *23<sup>rd</sup> Psalm for Genealogy*

*Genealogy is my passtime, I shall not stray  
It maketh me to lie down and examine tombstones  
It leadeth me into still courthouses,  
It restoreth my Ancestral Knowledge.  
It leadeth me in the paths of census records  
And ships' passenger lists for my surnames sake.  
Yea, though I walk through the shadows of research libraries and microfilm readers,  
I shall fear no discouragement; for a strong urge is within me.  
The curiosity and motivation, they comforteth me.  
It demandeth preparation of storage space for the acquisition of countless documents;  
It anointest my head with burning midnight oil.  
My family group sheets runneth over.  
Surely birth, marriage, and death dates shall follow me all the days of my life;  
And I shall dwell in the house of a family history seeker forever.*

# QUERIES

## **CRAWFORD CO. AR BURIALS DATA BASE**

I am compiling a computer database containing name deceased, place of burial, names of parents, spouse and marriage data, and other research information. If you have relatives buried in Crawford County, please contact me.

*Ruby P. Moore, 802 Hemlock Street, Van Buren, AR 72956-2659*

## **NASH**

Where is Gilbert Lee **NASH** buried? He died 8 Sep 1906 in Mangham, LA. Also need birth, death, and burial information on his daughter Minnie Bell **NASH** (died c1906 or 1907).

E-Mail: [LNBowden@aol.com](mailto:LNBowden@aol.com)

*Leda Nash Bowden, 13126 Arlingford Ave, Baton Rouge, LA 70815-6413*

## **CONNELL**

Seeking information on the **CONNELL** family of DeSoto Parish, LA from 1845 to present. Where did this family migrate from?

*Randall W. Connell, 810 Voyager, Houston, TX 77062-5619*

## **CAMP, SWARTZ**

Looking for information on William W. **CAMP** and Ann Elizabeth **SWARTZ** (married Jun 1871 Webster Par LA). They lived in Bossier Par LA c1876. 1880 Census of Ouachita Co. AR shows **CAMP** children with his first family, her son James Henry **SWARTZ** from her first marriage and her daughter Ida from **CAMP-SWARTZ** marriage.

*Carolyn J. Cunningham, 17128 Randalls Ferry Road, Norwood, NC 28128-7453*

## **NEAL (NEILL)**

Searching for information on Godfrey **NEAL**, born 1815-1820 VA, and his wife Julia (?), born 1826 GA. They had 7 children: William, Alfred, Stephen, Marlindy (Linda), Francis, Solomon W., and Samuel. This family may have lived in the Gilbert and Wisner, Franklin Par LA area. Who were their parents and family?

*Willie Ray Griffin, 3884 Winterpark Drive, Shreveport, LA 71119-7011*

## **GILBERT, THOMAS**

Searching for information on Edward (Ed) **GILBERT**, born 1854 Catahoula Par LA, and his wife Lou Anna **THOMAS-GILBERT**, born 1854 Catahoula Par LA. She was the mother of 9 children: Jessie, Louise, Catherine, Kizzy Ann, Mittie, Ernest, Tommy, Harris, and Willie. This family lived in and around Franklin Par LA. Who were their parents and family?

*Willie Ray Griffin, 3884 Winterpark Drive, Shreveport, LA 71119-7011*

## **JONES**

Chris **JONES** of Rush Co TX may have been orphaned during the Civil War. Who were his parents and who reared him?

*Lillian Jones Hall, 106 Chelsea Drive, Shreveport, LA 71105-4206*

## **GREENWOOD**

Seeking parents of Martin **GREENWOOD** of Rush Co TX.

*Lillian Jones Hall, 106 Chelsea Drive, Shreveport, LA 71105-4206*



### **BROWN, BRYANT, MURPHY**

Looking for information about James C. **MURPHY**, born 28 Jul 1847 (per census). He married Elizabeth **BRYANT BROWN** c1856.

*Florence Herring, 496 Lake Road, Waskom, TX 75692-4042*

### **BRYANT (BRIANT)**

Looking for information on John **BRYANT (BRIANT)**, born c1848 AL. He settled c1855/6 in Ouachita and Jackson Parishes LA.

*Florence Herring, 496 Lake Road, Waskom, TX 75692-4042*

### **DeROSSET, PAYNE, NETTLES**

Nancy **NETTLES**, born 1817 Franklin Co. TN, married 1836 Boswell Blackburn **PAYNE** in Dyer Co. TN. She died 1896 Clay Co. AR. Looking for information on her parents Jessee **NETTLES**, born NC, and Catherine Polly **DeROSSET**, born NC; both were raised in TN.

*Darlene M. Hofer, P. O. Box 661, Waskom, TX 75692-0661 <ehofer@internetwork.net>*

### **KELLER, VAUGHN**

Seeking information on my great-grandparents: George **KELLER** married Sarah **VAUGHN** 2 Mar 1882 Caddo Par LA, probably in Shreveport. The marriage was performed by Rev. W. C. **DUNLAP**; the witnesses were William **KELLY**, Meyer **MORITZ**, and Henry **KNIEP**. Their son (my grandfather) George James **KELLER**, born 13 Aug 1884 Shreveport LA moved to New Orleans LA and married my grandmother Belle Camille **PRADOS**. I don't know if there were any other children. <rmajeste@pol.net or rmajeste@worldnet.att.net>

*Cheryl Keller Majeste, 1505 Northwold Drive, NE, Atlanta, GA 30350-4106*

### **DAVIS, LYLE (LOWRY)**

Looking for information on James Clayton **DAVIS**, born 1853 MS. He married 1874 Rebecca **LYLE (LOWRY)** in TX. Their son James Edward **DAVIS**, born 1875 Austin, Travis Co TX. He then married Elizabeth (Sarah Elizabeth?) (?); they were in Bell Co TX in 1904 when they had a son, Alfred Clayton (AC) **DAVIS**.

*Eddie Lynn Davis, 1231 E. Wyatt Road, Midlothian, TX 76065-5024 <davises@airmail.net>*

### **KENNON, PEPPER, SHOWS, UNDERWOOD**

Looking for anyone related to me who had relatives living in Jackson, Winn, Franklin, or Webster Parishes LA between 1830 and 1920. My paternal grandmother was Ella Bell **PEPPER**; she married Monroe **SHOWS** in Winn Par LA. Her parents were James Emory **PEPPER** and Ida Ann **UNDERWOOD**; both of them were born in Winn Par LA. James Emory's parents were James Benjamin **PEPPER** and Jane **KENNON** of Jackson Par LA. James B. was Irish and served in the Civil War. Jane was born c 1840 and was an Indian Chief's daughter. What Indian Tribes were living near Jonesboro LA in the 1830s & 1840s? Was a Robert **KENNON** governor in 1952? His father may have been a constable somewhere in Webster Par LA. James Emory was a Baptist and a homesteader. Jane's father owned at least 80 acres of land, probably in Jackson or Winn Par LA.

*Elaine Tribbett, 204 Kings Way, Central Point, OR 97502-1849*

### **CAMPBELL, LEE, ROBERTS**

My third great-grandparents John Paul **CAMPBELL** and Rachel **LEE** were both from NC and went to TN near Nashville with JP's two brothers. One stayed in that area and JP and the other one went on to MS then to LA, finally settling in the Caldwell Parish area. John Paul and Rachel's son Wilson Alexander married Elizabeth Ann "Betsy" **ROBERTS** in 1839 in Caldwell

Par LA and had my great-grandmother Henrietta **CAMPBELL** in 1841. Wilson and Elizabeth were both dead by the time Henrietta was 4 years old; Rachel **CAMPBELL** and Elvin **ROBERTS**, Elizabeth's father, fought several custody battles over her. Would love to have more information on these folks.

*Doris Moore, 1810 Briar Valley Road, Bedford, PA 15522-7928 <djmoore@nb.net>*

#### **WHEATON**

Does anyone have information on the Major **WHEATON** given as a survivor in the obituary of his daughter Mrs. Dona **WHEATON LEFFINGWELL** who died 28 May 1887? Was he related to the Charles **WHEATON**, first judge of Hempstead Co Ark. Terr. about 1819? The latter died between 11 Sep and 12 Dec 1821 in Hempstead Co. [Ed. Note: This obituary appeared in the Shreveport Times 29 May 1887.]

*Mrs. Howard W. Dougherty, 238 Wells Road, Quitman, TX 75783-1705*

#### **HAMILTON**

While looking through the 1920 Claiborne Parish LA Census for a listing of my husband's family, I ran across an interesting street name: "Hamilton Settl'm't Rd. bet. Homer and Lisbon-Antioch Rd." My husband's family name is **HAMILTON** and at the time of the 1920 Census his paternal grandparents were living on "Pearl Settl'm't Road bet. Homer Road and Lisbon-Antioch Rd." Gladden **HAMILTON** (33 yrs old), his wife, Mattie (25) and their four children, were black and listed as "farm laborers." I'm thinking the streets were parallel and was wondering someone could steer me in the directions of getting more information about the street/road names. Would there be maps available; would there be locality specific historical books available? Are there African-American genealogists in the northern area of LA willing to correspond with me? Any information appreciated. <AngelaM820@aol.com>

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**IVEY, IVY, HILL, HUDSON, JETER**

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Linda **SKAINS TIFFIN**, 230 Tiffin Road, Arcadia, LA 71001-5409

**BEARDEN, CAUSEY, SKAINS, WEST**

*The spelling of your European ancestor bears no relation to  
its current spelling or pronunciation.*

S/=Source

## Family Group Sheet

\*Shreveport Ties

Husband's Full Name SAMUEL WALKER TRIMBLE

Chart No.

Husband's Date	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Husband
Birth	20	AUG	1838-48			AR? TX?	"Jay Bird"
Chr'd							
Marr	01	DEC	1874		Atascosa	TX	2-207 S/10
Death	21	FEB	1915 (1914?)	Del Rio	Val Verde	TX	S./7
Burial				Del Rio	Val Verde	TX	S/7
Places of Residence	AR TX			Co E 32 Rgt TX Cav			
Occupation	Rancher/Prof Gambler			Church Affiliation	Military Rec. Mar-Aug 1864		
Other wives, if any, no. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.							
His Father	MOFFET E. TRIMBLE			b. KY	Mother's Maiden Name	MARY E. GARNER b. TN	

Wife's Full Maiden Name HARRIET MERRIT SPEAR (aka Bethany M.; Fannie)

Wife's Date	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Wife
Birth	21	JAN	1861		Frio	TX	S/11
Chr'd							
Death	14	APR	1931	S/11	TERRELL	TX	Uremia
Burial				Del Rio	S/14	Val Verde	TX #20805
Places of Residence	TX (Frio, Atascosa, Val Verde, Terrell)						
Occupation				Church Affiliation	Military Rec.		
Other husbands, if any, no. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.							
Her Father	JOHN B SPEARS			b. AL	Mother's Maiden Name	ELIZABETH M. ?? b. AL	

Sex	Children's Date	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children
F	1	MAY (Mable)*	Birth	02	Sep	1876	Pleasanton Atascosa TX	S/12
		Full Name of Spouse	Marr	11	Jul	1897		
		DAVID C ROBINETTE	Death	13	Jul	1928	Caldwell TX	#29213
			Burial					
M	2	WESLEY WALKER	Birth	22	Apr	1878	TX	S/14
		Full Name of Spouse	Marr	26	Dec	1906	San Antonio Bexar TX	S/14
		ROSA MAE EDWARDS	Death			1944	AZ	
			Burial					
F	3	(Maggie?)	Birth			1879-80 (Maggie B Jan 1880)	TX	S/7
		Full Name of Spouse	Marr.					
		LENA (Pauline?)	Death			daus (2) Vida May		
		?? SCHILDT	Burial			Kathleen		
M	4	IRA L.	Birth			1882	TX	
		Full Name of Spouse	Marr.				Switchman, S.P. Yards	
		Single	Death	19	Aug	1911	Killed in RR accident Bexar Co	
			Burial				Tx Cert #17037	
F	5	(Addie)	Birth			Dec 1883	TX	N/I
		Full Name of Spouse (rancher)	Marr					
		W. OLIVER PRENTISS	Death	29	Nov	1940	Val Verde TX	S/11-13
			Burial				cert #52868	
F	6	DEE (Maggie)	Birth			Feb 1885	TX	
		Full Name of Spouse	Marr.				(2) D. BOSWORTH	
		(1) GEORGE McCONAUGHEY	Death					
			Burial					
F	7	FRANCES E.	Birth			Dep 1888	TX	
		Full Name of Spouse	Marr.					
		Single	Death	ca		1978	Kerrville Sanitarium Kerr TX	
			Burial					
	8		Birth					
		Full Name of Spouse	Marr.					
			Death					
			Burial					

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**Additional Children and Sources:**

Husband's name SAMUEL WALKER TRIMBLE

Wife's name HARRIET MERRIT SPEAR

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# *Bits & Bytes*

## Where Are Your GEDCOMS Tonight?

By Myra Vanderpool Gormley, CG

Is personal information about you, your children, and living relatives posted on a web page where any crook or kook can find it? It may be if you have shared your genealogical data via GEDCOM, pedigree charts, or family group sheets. (Use any search engine and look for your names and check GenDex <http://www.gendex.com/> as well as visit some of the commercial vendors' websites who encourage software owners to contribute their GEDCOMs.)

Are you guilty of invading the privacy of others, such as your living relatives, by passing along their genealogical data to someone else without their expressed written permission? You are, if you have shared your genealogical databases or research notes with a third party. The dead do not have a right to privacy, but the living do.

Genealogists are sharing, caring people, and most of us think nothing of handing over all of our genealogical data to distant cousins, even strangers. We should start thinking about this.

The idea of sharing is good and technology has made it easy. However, technology is not an exclusive tool for honest people. If detailed personal information about you and your living relatives is on the internet, crooks can and do find it, and some scam artist may use it to hoodwink your grandmother into giving out the secrets that will open her bank account. It has happened.

Your relatives have the same rights to privacy that you do and among these rights are:

1. Appropriation of one's name or likeness by another without consent;
2. The right to be free of unreasonable and highly offensive intrusions into one's seclusion, including the right to be free of highly objectionable disclosure of private information in which the public has no legitimate interest; and
3. False light in the public eye – the right to avoid false attributions of authorship or association.

Publishing (and putting it on a GEDCOM, chart, or on the web is publishing) genealogical information about a living person without their consent may involve all three aspects of their right to privacy and they may be able to seek legal relief through a civil lawsuit.

What can you do?

- If you find someone has posted information about you or living relatives on the internet, ask them to take it down. Be as forceful as is necessary.
- Exclude information about any living persons from your GEDCOMs and charts before sharing them with others. Most genealogy software will allow you to exclude all persons born after a particular date, which you can pick as 1920, 1910, or 1900, for example. Or use a handy utility program called GEDClean.
- Educate yourself about privacy issues on the internet.

Share your genealogical data, but don't intrude on others' privacy and do not allow them to violate yours.

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## THE FAMILY OF HENRY W. ROBERTSON

27 FEBRUARY 1782 - 18 SEPTEMBER 1853

by

Jane Leslie Newberry

Even before Alabama became a state on 14 December 1819, settlers had been pouring into the Alabama territory. These pioneers had begun their land search into the area as soon as the land was opened for American settlement. Shelby County was part of this section of land in which population began to increase after the Creek Treaty in 1814.

In 1818, families which were later to become closely related settled in the newly opened former Indian Lands in Shelby County, Alabama. Henry W. Robertson was one of these settlers who was to become the ancestor of this particular Robertson line. Henry W. Robertson was one of three Robertson families which appear on the first state census of 1820: Henry W. Robertson, Henry B. Robertson, and William Robertson.

The Henry W. Robertson family plantation in Shelby County, Alabama, remained in the hands of the Robertson family until the 1980s. Several items from the original plantation are now on display at the Shelby County Museum and Archives in Columbiana, Alabama. Henry W. Robertson, assorting to his tombstone at Four Mile Cemetery, Shelby Ct., AL, was born 27 Feb 1782. The 1850 census of Alabama states that he was born in South Carolina. Research has not yet revealed his parents.

*NOTABLE MEN IN ALABAMA*, by DuBose, in an article about the grandson of Henry W. Robertson, John Henry Robertson, states that Henry W. enlisted in the war of 1812 in Georgetown, VA. Then he went to South Carolina, married Rebecca Roberts in 1784, and moved to Alabama in 1818.

However, census records of his children indicate that Henry W. must have married prior to 1812 as his daughter, Permelia Robertson Farr [wife of George Farr] was born c. 1802-05 in South Carolina. Therefore, it is not possible to correctly determine the date of his marriage to Rebecca Roberts, but that they were most likely married in South Carolina.

The 1810 census of South Carolina, Greenville District, page 118, shows H. Robertson: 1 male under 10, 1 male 26-45; 2 females under 10, 1 female 16-24. Also listed on that census in the same area are J. Sammons, J. Robertson, and J. Robertson. The Sammons family was also later in Shelby Ct., AL. Noting the ages of the children, this could very possibly have been Henry W. Robertson.

Henry W. Robertson first appears on the 1820 Shelby Ct., AL census with 1 male to 16; 2 males 16 and up; 1 female 10-15; 3 females 16-25, and 1 female 16-45. This researcher has concluded that those children were Permelia, James B., Peter, Henry B., Teresa, and Jane. Three other known children were born after this census.

During this period, Henry made registration of a patent, Certificate #176 for 80.4 acres of land in Shelby Ct., to the land office in Tuscaloosa, 1 May 1823. This was recorded in Volume 1, page 170, in the General Land Office. Family tradition states that Henry W. Robertson homesteaded 1000 acres in the Shelby County area. The Tuscaloosa Land Office also notes a land transaction for a Henry Robinson, 6 July 1821 - 35-15-2E.

On 20 Dec 1824, Henry sold 80.40 acres in Shelby Ct. to Lewis Miller for \$65.00. His wife, Rebecca, relinquished her dower right. [Abstracts of Early Deeds, Shelby Ct., - pages 151, 152, 153 - located at the Alabama Archives in Montgomery, Alabama.]

Another transaction, dated 20 December 1825, was a deed executed by Henry W. Robertson and his wife, Rebecca [Deed Book A, pg 111, Shelby Ct., AL]. In 1830, Henry W. Robertson was listed as an overseer in Shelby Ct., from Bulley's Creek to Yellow Leaf. At the time of his death in 1853, Henry W. owned considerable land in St. Clair and Shelby Counties. [Estate records - Shelby Ct., AL]

The 1830 census of Shelby Ct., AL, indicates Henry W. Robertson with 2 male children under 5; 1 male 6-10; 3 males 15-20; one adult 40-50; 2 females 1-15; 1 adult female 30-40.

There are several confusing elements in the study of Henry W. Robertson. In the 1820 and 1830 censuses, there was ANOTHER Henry Robertson, Henry B. Robertson. Both men seem to be approximately the same age according to the census records. Research has not determined the relationship between the two men, but it seems doubtful that the other Henry could have been Henry W. Robertson's father. Henry B. Robertson does not appear after 1830. Another Henry Robertson is on the 1840 census. It is noted the designation was always made with the "W" to distinguish the two Robertsons. This Robertson could not be Henry Brown Robertson, son of Henry W., since he was not married until 1841 - and no previous marriage is noted. Henry Brown Robertson could have been named for the elusive Henry B. Robertson. Consequently, it is impossible to determine which Henry Robertson was appointed constable in St. Clair Ct., AL on 20 Nov 1818.

The 1850 Shelby Ct. census shows Henry W., age 67, Farmer, \$2500 property, living with his wife, Rebecca, age 66, and their son, Marion, age 20. Also living in the same household was Berry M. Robertson, age 26, and his wife, Sarah[Sally], age 25 plus their young son, John, age 7/12. William Green Robertson, another son, lived in the household, also.

Henry W. Robertson died 18 September 1853. The final administration of his estate was not completed until 1857. Fortunately for the researcher, his children were all named in the administration papers. The following children were listed in the administration records: Permelia, James B., Peter, Henry B., Teresa, Berry Mann, William Green, Marion.

Rebecca Roberts Robertson died 18 September 1864 and is also buried at Four Mile Cemetery, located near Columbiana, Shelby Ct., AL. Unfortunately, a storm destroyed many



of the old grave markers in the 1920s or 30s. Henry's stone was the only one left standing the area. However, it is known that many other family members were buried in the same cemetery.

**Permelia Robertson Farr** was born c 1802-05 in South Carolina, according to the 1850 Shelby Ct., AL census. She died after 1870 and before 1880 according to census records. Permelia married George Farr, also from South Carolina. Research has not determined where they married or the names of their older children. Permelia Robertson and George Farr had the following known children: Mary Ann, b 27 Oct 1829- married Francis M. Pitts; Sarah, b c 1830; Rebecca, b c 1834 - married Pleasant Wilder 19 Feb 1852; Frelora, b c 1836 - married William J. Kennedy 8 Sept 1861; Hugh, b c 1838; John Riley, b May 1840 - married [1] Melvina Farr [2] Merial Cordelia Robertson, daughter of William Green Robertson, c 1873; Penny, b c 1842.

**James B. Robertson**, born ?, married, according to *Early Marriages of Shelby Ct., AL*, Mahulday Skelton, 16 Oct 1834. The administration papers of Henry W. Robertson stated that he lived in Perry Ct., AL in 1855.

**Peter Robertson**, born ?, married ? - according to the administration papers, Peter was living in Texas in 1855, location unknown.

**Teresa Robertson Martin** was born in 1816 or 1818. She married Robert Martin and evidently lived in Shelby Ct., AL at the time of her father's death. Teresa Robertson and Robert Martin had the following known children: James, b c 1833; Calvin, b c 1835; John, b c 1836; Louiza, b c 1838, Martha, b c 1839; Thompson, b c 1842; Charles M., b c 1847 [1850 Shelby Ct., AL census records.]

**Henry Brown Robertson**, was born c 1817 in Alabama according to the 1850 census. Henry married Priscilla Bullock McGowan, 28 Jan 1841. Priscilla Bullock was married first to Edward McGowan who died c. 1836. Two son, James McGowan, born 19 May 1832 and George W. McGowan, born 8 Oct 1834, lived and died in Shelby Ct. Between the time of his father's death and the completion of the administration papers, Henry Brown Robertson died, probably after 10 Aug 1855. His widow and children are listed in the final administration report, dated 14 Jan 1857. Henry Brown Robertson is most probably buried at the Four Mile Cemetery. Henry and Priscilla had the following known children: Martha J., b 2 Oct 1842, married David Pennington, 23 Aug 1859. She died 29 Oct 1914 and is buried at Wilsonville Cemetery, Shelby Ct.; Rebecca Ann, b 1844 - married Augustus M. Ballard, 12 Nov 1863 [Shelby Ct. Marriage Records.] Both Priscilla Robertson and Martha J. Pennington are listed as widows living in the same household on the 1880 census. Martha J. Robertson Pennington had one child, John, also living in the household.

**Jane Robertson White** was born c 1820, place unknown. She married Pleasant D. White, 18 Oct 1842. In 1857 she was living in Benton Ct., AL.

**Berry Mann Robertson** was born 24 May 1822 on the original plantation in Shelby Ct., AL, according to the article in *NOTABLE MEN OF ALABAMA*. During the Civil War, he served two years with Co. K, 31st Alabama under General Pettus. A description of Berry Mann included in his Confederate papers depicts him with light hair, blue eyes, six feet tall, fair complexion, and age forty-one at enlistment 14 Sept 1863 in Wilsonville, AL. He married Sallie Ray [b c. 1823] in South Carolina, the daughter of John and Cynthia Robertson Ray. The article further states that John Ray came to Shelby CT. from South Carolina in 1818. [This is the property that remained in the hands of the Robertson's until after the death of the 6th generation Robertson. The farm was sold in 1983 to settle the estate.] Berry Mann died 26 Feb 1876 and is probably buried in the Four Mile Cemetery. Berry Mann and Sally Ann Ray had only one child who lived to adulthood. John Henry Robertson, born 30 Mar 1850, married Cynthia Elizabeth Morgan, daughter of James M. and Eugene More Morgan. Children of James H. and Cynthia Robertson [1880 census] were: Berry Franklin., 2 [1 Feb 1878 - 20 May 1949]; James H., 1/12 [born in May] Sally A. Robertson is listed as a widow in the 1880 census. John Henry Robertson died 11 Sept 1926 and is buried at Wilsonville Cemetery.

**William Green Robertson** was born 24 June 1828 in Shelby Ct., AL. He married 14 Dec 1852 [Shelby Ct., Marriages, 1850-1854, pg 74] Eugenia Victoria Morgan who was probably the daughter of Albin and Elizabeth Hicks Morgan, also of Shelby Ct. William Green served during the Civil War in Co. I, 18th Regiment, Alabama Infantry and was captured during the Battle of Atlanta, August 30, 1864. He was eventually transferred to Camp Douglas near Chicago, Illinois where he died of pneumonia, 27 Feb 1865, only days before he was to be exchanged. William Green is buried in the Chicago City Cemetery, Chicago, IL. His widow, Eugenia, remained in Shelby Ct. after the war and attempted to farm. In the 1870s, she went to Texas where she settled in Denson Springs, near Palestine, with other family members. She died 30 July 1903 and is buried in the Denson Springs Cemetery. William Green and Eugenia Morgan Robertson had the following known children: Merial Cordelia, born 5 Nov 1853 - married her first cousin, John Riley Farr, son of Permelia Robertson and George Farr; Henrietta, b 17 Mar 1855 - married David E. Brasher 5 Feb 1878 [Shelby Ct. Marriages; Annie, b 26 Sept 1856 - possibly married Hampton Watts, Anderson Ct., TX; Martha Jane, b 29 Oct 1858 - married 20 April 1879 to Pleasant Mitchell Watkins; Laura, b 1 Sept 1860; Marion B., b 11 Aug 1861.

**Marion M. Robertson** was born c 1830 in Shelby Ct. He married Tenna [Peninah] Miller 28 Jan 1858. According to the 1860 census, he and his wife were living with Rebecca Robertson, widow of Henry W. Robertson. Marion and Tenna had the following known children in 1870: Rowe Ramey [killed in an accident Aug 1895 - Shelby Ct. Advocate 15 Aug 1895], b c. 1859; Sarah, b c. 1861; James, b c. 1863; Beulah, b c. 1865; John, b c. 1869. The 1880 census added the following children: W. M., male, age 9; Anne E., age 6, and E. B., male, age 2. Marion and Tenna Miller Robertson later moved to Meade, Indian Territory where he died in 1906; she died 31 Jan 1913 [Shelby Advocate 20 Feb 1913].

According to *PIONEER FAMILIES OF ANDERSON COUNTY, TEXAS PRIOR TO 1900*, compiled by the Anderson County Historical Association, Jennie M. Auld wrote

that Eugenia Victoria Robertson and her daughter, Martha Jane, came to Anderson County, Texas from Shelby County, Alabama in 1878. They left Wilsonville, Alabama by train and traveled to Memphis, TN. They crossed the Mississippi River and traveled south to Palestine, TX. When they arrived in Palestine, friends and relatives met them in wagons and transported them to Denson Springs, a community about twenty miles from Palestine. Later information, provided in conversation with Martha Jane's daughter, Effie Mae Watkins Austin, relates that Eugenia Victoria's daughter, Annie and son, Marion, also came with her.

It has also been determined that Eugenia's mother and brother, Eliza Hicks Morgan and William H. Morgan were also in Anderson County. [1880 Anderson Ct., TX census]

Eugenia Victoria Morgan Robertson married again 30 Oct 1879 to R. M. Watts in Anderson Ct., TX [*Anderson Ct. Marriage Records*, page 332]. However, Eugenia's tombstone at Denson Springs Cemetery lists her as Eugenia Victoria Robertson, wife of W. G. Robertson.

It is also interesting to note that members of the Farr families of Shelby Ct., AL also moved to the Anderson Ct. community of Denson Springs. These included Sarah Ann Farr Gardner, daughter of Abraham Farr and her son, John Simpson Gardner; John Riley Farr and his wife, Merial Cordelia, daughter of Eugenia Victoria Morgan Robertson and William Green Robertson.

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## OLD CAMP GROUND CEMETERY

Located near Battle Field in Sabine Parish, LA. Surveyed by Mr. & Mrs. J. D. Cawthon in 1979.  
Taken from a copy in Verticle File at Shreve Memorial Library, Shreveport, LA.

<u>Last Name</u>	<u>First Name</u>	<u>Born</u>	<u>Died</u>	<u>Comments</u>
GIBBS	Willie Irene	22 Jul 1894	30 Oct 1912	
GIBBS	Georgia	1 Feb 1901	25 Aug 1902	
GIBBS	Eligah G.	28 Mar 1857	20 Mar 1901	
RAUSHECK	T. W., Jr.	4 Mar 1891	21 Jul 1892	Little "T"
WILSON	R. J.	15 Jan 1852	21 Feb 1940	
GRANFORD	Susan Dianna	10 Sep 1859	14 Nov 1918	Wife of P. J. Wilson
BEDINGFIELD	Mary	10 Dec 1821	13 Jun 1879	Wife of J. M. Gibbs; born Dallas Co AL
GIBBS	James Monroe	18 Feb 1816	26 Feb 1885	
REED	W. P.	6 Jun 1845	28 Oct 1906	Mason
REED	Mary Lou	10 Jul 1874	10 Jul 1891	Daughter of Wm. P. & Mary E. Reed
BROWN	Willie Olga	2 Mar 1893	19 May 1893	Daughter of W. A. & Fannie Brown
WEATHERFORD	Mary L.	27 Mar 1823	26 Jun 1859	Wife of Doct. W. F. Howell
HOWELL	Bonaparte	12 Mar 1846	24 Oct 1852	Son of Dr. W. F. & M. L. W. Howell
HOWELL	Natalie D.	16 Aug 1844	8 Apr 1859	Dau of Dr. W. F. & M. L. W. Howell
RAINES	James A.	4 Oct 1816	1 Dec 1900	<i>Here lies an honest man</i>
McLAIN	Daniel M.	29 Nov 1821	12 Jul 18??	
BRANNON	Ann Eliza	1818	3 Aug 1881	Wife of Jno. G. Pullen
PULLEN	John G.	Dates Gone		
GIBBS	Sarah J.		26 Sep 1848	Aged 6 yrs, 7 ms, 12 ds
KING	Marion Jordan	8 Mar 1847	21 Jul 1847	
RAUSHECK	Sarah Ola	9 Nov 1886	9 Jan 1888	Daughter of L. L. & T. W. Rausheck
HAMPTON	Rev. John	4 Jul 1809	31 May 1860	Mason
HAMPTON	William	30 May 1813	1 May 1891	Mason
HAMPTON	Mary E.	17 Sep 1841	17 Jan 1917	
WILSON	W. M. E.	18 Oct 1858	14 Nov 1883	Son of W. M. & Susan G. Wilson
HAMPTON	Elizabeth	2 Dec 1821	25 Apr 1859	Wife of James Hampton
HAMPTON	Sarah R.	15 Dec 1815	8 May 1907	
DICKSON	Sarah Anna	11 Sep 1837	20 Apr 1859	Wife of James Dickson
PULLEN	De Witt Clinton	4 Jun 1849	18 Jun 1870	Son of Jno. C. & Ann E. Pullen
FIKE	John Jefferson	16 Jan 1843	29 Oct 1917	Father
	Emily Hampton	20 Feb 1842	6 Oct 1917	Mother

Old Camp Ground Cemetery (continued):

WILSON	R. F.	30 Mar 1879	26 Nov 1907	Son of R. P. & M. L. Wilson
WILSON	Ross Ashton	11 Jan 1882	1 May 1887	Son of R. P. & M. L. Wilson
GIBBS	Lillie Bessie	15 Jul 1876	23 Oct 1877	Daughter of N. C. & R. A. Gibbs
GIBBS	William R.	28 Jan 1855	23 Jul 1898	
WILSON	Willie Martin		29 Dec 1977	Age 80 yrs, 0 ms, 2 days
GRIFFIN	Ada	18 Feb 1866	18 Sep 1890?	
CAMPBELL	May	13 Sep 1870	28 Apr 1914	Wife of J. D. Campbell
PARKER	Needham W.	11 Apr 1811	1887	Broken Marker
CLARK	Corp. J. H.			Co. F, 19 LA Inf, CSA

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## WHITE - LATTIER CEMETERY, SHREVEPORT, LA

Located in woods immediately south of Long Lake Subdivision, about 1/4 mile due SW of intersection of Ellerbe Road and Overton Brooks Road. Not accessible by vehicle, on posted property (Simon property). Courtesy of Eric Brock, Shreveport Historian.

| <u>Last Name</u> | <u>First Name</u>        | <u>Born</u> | <u>Died</u> | <u>Comments</u>                      |
|------------------|--------------------------|-------------|-------------|--------------------------------------|
| LOE              | Thomas                   | 11 Dec 1820 | 6 Jul 1846  | Son of George A. & Tobithe Loe       |
| LOE (?)          | <i>Headstone Missing</i> |             |             | Footstone with initials M. L.        |
| LOE              | Tobithe                  | 20 Jul 1786 | 14 Apr 1850 | Wife of George A. Loe                |
| WHITE            | Reuben                   | 18 Sep 1849 | 19 Oct 1851 | Son of Reuben & Marthe White         |
| WHITE            | Marthe Ellen             | 27 Oct 1852 | 13 Aug 1853 | Dau. Of Reuben & Marthe Loe White    |
| CHILDERS         | O. Ben                   | 14 Feb 1839 | 28 Dec 1910 | Co. B, La. Inf, CSA (see note below) |
| CHILDERS         | Josephine Lattier        | 28 Sep 1855 | 6 Jul 1893  | Wife of O. Ben Childers              |
| LATTIER          | Adolf                    | 14 Aug 1862 | 11 Dec 1916 |                                      |
| ??               | Annabelle                |             | 25 Sep 1875 | Dau. Of E. M. ??                     |

Note: O. Ben Childers, according to pension records, Sgt., 2nd Co. D, 19th La. Inf., CSA. Also Sgt., Co. E, Pelican Regt., CSA (formed of Cos. B, D, & H, 19th La. Inf., CSA). Enlisted 11 Dec 1861, taken prisoner at Citronelle, AL 4 May 1865; paroled at Meridian, MS 13 May 1865. Applied for pension benefits 28 Apr 1908. Records also show he was wounded in action.

Note: Reuben White (Sr.) and Marthe Loe White are buried at Oakland Cemetery in Shreveport, LA. The Whites resided at Rush Island Plantation near Shreveport. Descendants include the Mayer family of Shreveport.

*The great thing about preserving your memories is that they'll never spoil!  
No matter how long you keep them, they just get better with age. ....Ziggy*



## SHREVEPORT TIMES OBITUARIES

January 1, 1888 -- January 31, 1889

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).

**James F. Patterson** Mr. Patterson was born November 1, 1860 in Shreveport, LA and died after being thrown from his horse on April 17, 1888 at 1 p.m. in Shreveport at his residence. He hit a post cutting a 4" gash above his left eye and sustained internal injuries. He lived about 1 hour after his fall. Funeral services are at the family residence at 618 Milam on the 18<sup>th</sup> of April at 4 p.m. and will be conducted by Rev. Dr. VanLear & Rev. Dr. Scruggs.  
[Times 18 Apr 1888]

**George Woodyard** Died April 18<sup>th</sup> at Boyce, LA at the station of the New Orleans & Pacific Railroad. Mr. Woodyard was a fireman for the N.O. & Pacific R.R.  
[Times 19 Apr 1888]

**Charles F. Brownell** Died April 18<sup>th</sup> at 10:20 a.m. from a railroad accident in which he was scalded and died from his injuries. The locomotive turned over. He was an engineer for the TX & Pacific R.R. His remains were sent to relatives in New York. He was a member of #177 Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen.  
[Times 19 Apr 1888]

**Arch Murphy** Mr. Murphy died in his home in Tyler, Texas on Monday April 23, 1888. He leaves his spouse Willie Kimball. Funeral services were yesterday and his place of burial is in Tyler, TX.  
[Times 25 Apr 1888]

**Bettie Witt** Colored. Died Sunday April 30<sup>th</sup> at the Antioch Colored Baptist Church. She fell dead under the influence of religious exhortation in Church. Death resulted from heart disease. Funeral services are at the above mentioned Church on May 2, 1888.  
[Times 2 May 1888]

**Peter Demeiz** Mr. Demeiz of Homer, LA died last Saturday afternoon in Homer at the age of 46 years. He was employed as a Barber by Frank Gill of this city. He leaves a daughter Mrs. Rufus Awbry, who lives 10 miles south of Homer.  
[Times 3 May 1888]

**Lettie Williams** Aunt Lettie Williams died on May 2, 1888. She was accidentally burned while drinking her coffee, her dress ignited in her cabin on Fairfield.  
[Times 8 May 1888]

SHREVEPORT TIMES OBITUARIES (continued):

**Mrs. Caroline Mulhaupt** She was born in Baden, Germany and was a resident of Shreveport. She died on May 26, 1888 at the age of 58 years. She was married to Mr. F. X. Mulhaupt. Funeral services are at 4 p.m. in the Catholic Church and burial is in Oakland Cemetery.

**Thomas G. Ford, Jr.** Thomas died of an accidental death on June 17, 1888 at 8:30 a.m. at the age of 12 years and 6 months. Funeral services will be at the home of Capt. S. B. McCutchen on June 18<sup>th</sup>. [Times 19 June 1888]

**Jennie E. Moore** Mrs. Moore who is a resident of Mooringsport leaves to mourn her death her husband J. M. Moore. [Times 19 June 1888]

**Gertrude Loeb** Gertrude Loeb a resident of Shreveport died the 24<sup>th</sup> of June. Funeral services will be at her residence on Crockett Street on June 26, 1888 at p.m.. She leaves her parents Mr. & Mrs. H. Loeb to mourn her passing. [No newspaper date given]

**Otto Emile Basch** In this city Monday, December 31, 1888 at 2 a.m. Otto Emile, infant child of John and Annie Basch. The remains were interred in the City Cemetery [Oakland] last evening. [Times 1 Jan 1889]

**S. Watis** Dead, day last, the 16 year old S. Watis of Bossier died. He was a promising and beloved. [Times 1 Jan 1889]

**Mrs. C. H. Ardis** Yesterday there passed away and assuredly to brighter realms than this Mrs. Hattie L. Hamilton, wife of Col. C. H. Ardis of this city. This estimable lady, whose whole life was a priceless blessing to relatives and friends, was the sister of the late W. E. Hamilton and of Mrs. John Chaffe of New Orleans. She was born near Macon, GA in 1824. Gentle and unassuming in manners and kindly of heart, she won the affections of all with whom she was brought in association. She was a devout Christian practicing what she professed and had for a number of years been a model member of the Baptist Church. There are left to mourn their irreparable loss a devoted husband, two daughters and a son and a wide circle of relatives and friends. The blow, severe as it was, was in some sort softened by an anticipation of the sad event, she had been in precarious health for some time past. Died – Ardis – at 3 p.m. Jan. 1, 1889 Mrs. Hattie L. Hamilton wife of Col. C. H. Ardis aged 64 years. The remains will be taken to Minden this morning for interment in the family burying ground. [Times 1 Jan 1889]

**John J. Meyee** Succession Notice of John J. Meyee doc. No. 2.880 Mrs. Laura J. Meyee application to be appointed administrator. [Times 3 Jan 1889]

**Arilas Boagman** Died in New Orleans on Jan. 5, 1889 Arilas infant child of Henry C. Boagman. The remains will arrive on the train from New Orleans tonight and the funeral will take place from the New Orleans & Pacific depot Monday morning at 10 o'clock. Buried at Oakland Cemetery. [Times 6 Jan 1889]

## SHREVEPORT TIMES OBITUARIES (continued):

**Gus A. Bourquin** Died in this city, Thursday morning Jan. 3, 1889 G. A. Bourquin in his 47<sup>th</sup> year at 3 o'clock. Born in New Orleans, resided in Shreveport before the war. He enlisted in the Watson battery. He returned to Shreveport and was employed by Capt. Joseph Boissea. Left to mourn are his devoted wife, daughter of Mrs. L. Iler and sister of Mr. B. L. Iler, and 4 children. Funeral will take place this Friday morning at 11 o'clock from the family residence No. 908 Mc Neil Street. Castle Hall of Calanthe Lodge No. 10 K. of P. Shreveport, La. Jan. 4, 1889 – the officers and members are notified to assemble promptly at 10:30 this morning to pay last sad tribute of respect to our late brother G. A. Bourquin. Officers and Members of Damon Lodge No. 2 are invited to attend. Headquarters Benevolent Association of Confederate Veterans of Shreveport, La. Jan. 4<sup>th</sup> requests officers and members of the association to meet promptly at 10:30 to attend the funeral of our comrade Gus. A. Bourquin of Watson Battery Louisiana Light Artillery C.S.A. J. V. Nolan, Sec. and J. F. Utg, Pres.  
[Times 4 Jan 1889]

**Mrs. Hester Newman** Mrs. Newman died at Jackson, La. Dec. 31, 1888 at the age of 50 years. Wife of M. Newman of Shreveport. Buried near Clinton, LA. [Times 6 Jan 1889]

**Charles O. White** Mr. White died in Detroit, Michigan. He was born in Alexandria, Va. His mother, age 80, lives in Washington. He leaves a wife, 3 brothers and 3 sisters. One of the former is Mr. B. C. White of this city who received dispatch on the 3<sup>rd</sup> giving sad intelligence of his brother's death.  
[Times 6 Jan 1889]

**Edward B. Marlis** Edward died at O. B. Childres' Plantation near Ash Point on the 7<sup>th</sup> instant. He was 57 years of age. The deceased was for some years a citizen of Shreveport. He was a skilled mechanic, an honest, industrious man and had the good opinion of all who knew him. He leaves two daughters, a son and a grandchild.  
[Times 9 Jan 1889]

**Napoleon Hicks** The Times is informed by letter of the suicide of Napoleon Hicks, a young man residing near Whitehead, Texas. No cause is assigned for the rash act committed a few days ago.  
[Times 10 Jan 1889]

**Hudson** It is reported that a white man named Hudson was drowned a few days ago in the lake near Mooringsport.  
[Times 11 Jan 1889]

**Charles Sweeney** A member of the Benevolent Association of Confederate Veterans died last night, Friday, Jan. 11<sup>th</sup> at 9:15 after a illness of a few days. He was about 60 years of age and a resident of this city for many years. Officers & members of the Benevolent Association of Confederate Veterans are requested to meet at their hall at 10:30 this morning to attend the funeral which will take place at 11 o'clock from the residence on Spring near Caddo Street.  
[Times 12 Jan 1889]

**Mrs. Gould** New York dispatch of the 13<sup>th</sup> – Mrs. J. Gould died today. Mrs. Gould was the daughter of Daniel S. Miller, a former wholesale grocer of Brooklyn. Mother is over 80 years of age and is living in New York.  
[Times 15 Jan 1889]

## SHREVEPORT TIMES OBITUARIES (continued):

**Richard Byland** Mr. Byland died in Paris, Texas on Tuesday Jan. 15<sup>th</sup> at 11:30 p.m. He was 39 years old. Two years ago Mr. Byland while ceiling a house, accidentally swallowed a nail, which caused him great suffering. He sought medical aid in vain. The nail produced an abscess on the lung, which terminated his life. The deceased was well known in this city where he resided at one time. He leaves many relatives and hosts of friends to mourn his death.  
[Times 17 Jan 1889]

**Aleck P. Mountford** Aleck died on Wednesday January 16<sup>th</sup> at the age of 56 years. The funeral will take place from his residence, 628 Travis St. at 3 o'clock this evening Thurs. Jan. 17<sup>th</sup>. For many years he was connected with steamers plying in the Red River. He was a man of genial disposition, kind hearted, generous and combined many traits of character that drew to him friends that loved him well during his long residence in this city. The deceased was from Louisville, Ky. He leaves a devoted wife to mourn his demise.  
[Times 17 Jan 1889]

**Ed Houston** A Scotchman named Ed Houston was found drowned recently at the skiff landing on Ferry Lake near Mooringsport, in two feet of water. It is believed he had relatives in one of the northern states.  
[Times 23 Jan 1889]

**Julia Prudhomme** Died in Natchitoches Parish Louisiana, Friday night January 18<sup>th</sup> at the residence on Red River, opposite Grand Ecore, Mrs. E. V. Debilieux, nee Julia Prudhomme aged 60 years. The deceased was buried in the Catholic cemetery at Natchitoches last Sunday. A large concourse of citizens followed the casket to the grave. She was widely connected with leading families in Natchitoches Parish.  
[Times 23 Jan 1889]

**J. J. Kimball** He died among strangers and breathed his last in a strange land. J. Kimball kept a popcorn stand near Phenix Hotel and he occupied a room at Linman house on Texas Street. He took sick Wednesday and died on Thursday morning of pneumonia. He had been at the Linman house four days. Among his effects which are in the possession of Mr. Linman, were found 3 well executed photographs cabinet size, two being undoubtedly his father and mother and the other of himself and possibly his wife ?, a certificate, a silver medal, on the face of which is the word Application and a buff colored satin badge with the printed words Fourth Reunion Society of the Twenty Eighth Wisconsin Volunteer Infantry Meeting, Sept. 23<sup>rd</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup> 1886, indicate that he had been connected with that organization and was a veteran soldier of the Federal Army. With these mementoes are several letters, one being from a brother named Chas. Kimball of Douglas, Olmstead County, Minn. The unfortunate man was impecunious and was buried Friday at the expense of the city.  
[Times 24 Jan 1889]

**Col. L. L. Tomkies** His many friends in this city were pained to learn yesterday morning January 29<sup>th</sup> of the death at Gloster, De Soto Parish of Col. L. L. Tomkies. The deceased was born in Gaston County, N.C. in 1829. His father removed with his family to De Soto Parish nearly 40 years ago. The deceased removed to Shreveport after the war and first engaged in the mercantile business but subsequently established a bank here. He was universally popular, but his generous nature prompted him to be too lenient and he finally failed. He leaves many friends, no enemies, a wife, 3 worthy sons, and a charming daughter. The remains will be interred in the family burial ground at Hazlewood Church, DeSoto Parish. [Times 30 Jan 1889]

## SHREVEPORT TIMES OBITUARIES (continued):

**J. Foster Taylor** Mr. J. Foster Taylor died in Minden, La. on January 28<sup>th</sup>. He was a prominent attorney of the law firm of Taylor & Stewart of this place. He was struck with apoplexy about 8 o'clock this morning and died at 12:30. Mr. Taylor was a leading lawyer of the North Louisiana bar, and at the time of his death he had completed and had placed in the hands of the printer a complete digest of the Supreme Court annuals from 1878 to 1888. He leaves a wife and a mother and a host of friends to mourn his sad death. He was a native of Houston County, Ga. and came to this state in the year 1872 and formed a partnership with A. B. George, which continued until Mr. George was elected to the position of circuit judge. Mr. Taylor was a member of the Masonic Lodge and of the Baptist Church. The funeral will take place from the Baptist Church tomorrow at 11 o'clock. [Times 29 Jan 1889]

**Rem George** Rem George, a farmer having many friends in the city & throughout the parish, and 3 negroes drowned in Clear Lake near Albany last Saturday. The skiff in which they were last seen has been recovered and is broken. The search failed to lead to their whereabouts. Believed they accidentally drowned. Rem was a farmer. [Times 30 Jan 1889]

**James Pool** Homer, La. January 28<sup>th</sup> - James Pool attempted suicide about 6 o'clock yesterday morning by cutting his throat with a razor. The gash reaches from ear to ear. He is still alive, but chances for his recovery are very slim. No cause in assigned for the rash act. [Times 31 Jan 1889] From Homer, La. James Pool is going to recover. [Times 3 Feb 1889]

**Capt. J. K. Womack** New Orleans, January 28<sup>th</sup>. The Times - Democrat Greensburg, La. special says Capt. J. K. Womack keeper of the Nicholls Hotel was shot and mortally wounded Saturday at Grangeville by his son-in-law Page Stricklin. [Times 31 Jan 1889]

**Mrs. Caroline Sharkey** Mrs. Sharkey, a widow, living on a farm two and a half miles north of here, was found murdered in bed this morning January 31st. Her only son, Elmer Sharkey, who lived there is no doubt the murderer. [Times 31 Jan 1889]

**Jim Jones** And old crippled homeless negro was refused shelter by his own race. The Coroner's jury - Ed Martin, Ike C. Hunter, Preston Sparks, J. W. Edward & V. Grosjean, reached the conclusion that Jim Jones came to his death on the night of January 26<sup>th</sup> from neglect & exposure in the open air and through the refusal of Wm. Gooch and Annie Rogers, his wife, to give him temporary shelter. [Times 31 Jan 1889]

*To be continued... ..*

### **Delinquent Tax Debtors of the Parish of Caddo Supplemental List Ward One** *From the Shreveport Daily Times 7 May 1887*

|                        |                                                                                                                                  |
|------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>MEREDITH CARTER</b> | A half of SW quarter of section 15, township 23, Range 15,<br>1883 - \$1.44, 1884 - \$1.44, 1885 - \$1.44, 1886 - \$3.19         |
| <b>HARDY CARTER</b>    | SW quarter of SE quarter, section 15, township 23, range 13,<br>1883 - 72 cents, 1884 - 72 cents, 1885 - 72 cents, 1886 - \$1.47 |
| <b>MRS. S. F. VICK</b> | NW quarter, section 23, township 22, range 15 \$7.35                                                                             |





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