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# ***FRIENDS OF GENEALOGY, INC.***

The purpose of *Friends of Genealogy, Inc.* is to foster an interest in and to promote and encourage the development of genealogy. Our objectives are:

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

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

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Our monthly meetings are normally held the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of each month at 1:00 p.m. in the Meeting Room at Shreve Memorial Library, Broadmoor Branch, 1212 Captain Shreve Drive, Shreveport, Louisiana. Program topics and other meeting information are published in local newspapers. Following many of our meetings, we have informal round-table discussions for the purpose of assisting individuals with their research.

Our quarterly publication, *The Journal*, welcomes unpublished material pertaining to genealogy and history, particularly in North Louisiana.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

We welcome exchanges of quarterlies and other publications. We also accept donations of books, publications, and other genealogical materials for review in *The Journal*. All materials are deposited in the Genealogy Collection of the Shreve Memorial Library in Shreveport, Louisiana.

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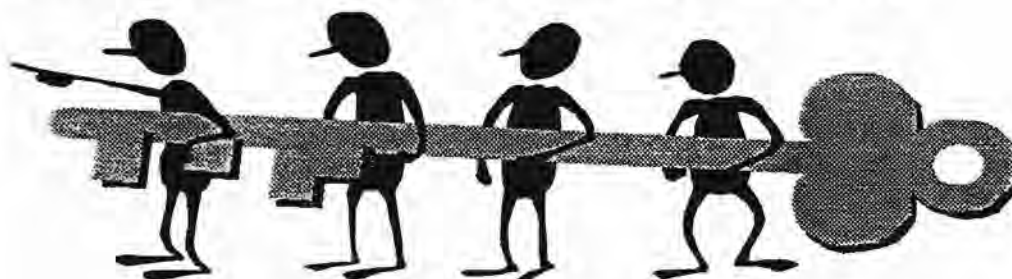
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*Together, we can unlock the secrets of the past.*

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## President's Page

Friends of Genealogy is always in need of volunteers. Our organization is only as successful as our volunteers make it. The more volunteers we have, the more materials we can contribute to our library. Projects in progress now are a miscellaneous file index, which consists of obituaries, anniversaries, and other articles of genealogical value; a computer database index to the burials in Northwest Louisiana taken from cemetery surveys; a computer database index for wedding anniversaries taken from newspaper articles or shared by others; a database of deaths taken from newspaper articles or shared by others. We need volunteers for clipping articles and taping on 4x6 index cards, which will later be laminated and alphabetized in the file boxes; computer data in-put into an excel file for our anniversary and death indexes; surveying cemeteries; or volunteer to chair one of our committees or work with a chairman on a committee. And last, but certainly not lest, we always need materials for our quarterly publication, "The Journal." If you would like to volunteer on one of the projects, please contact Wanda Head, 318/929-1701 or e-mail at [wvhead@cmaaccess.com](mailto:wvhead@cmaaccess.com).

If you would like to attend our board meetings, we meet on the Monday before the 3rd Saturday at Jane Newberry's home, 6045 Fox Chase. We start gathering about 5 p.m., eat at 5:30 p.m. and our business meeting starts around 6 p.m. The event is always an eating meeting, and we bring a covered dish of some sort (can be bought or home cooked). Surprise us!! For information on directions to Jane's home, contact her at [ejln@shreve.net](mailto:ejln@shreve.net) or 318/687-1652 or contact one of the board members, listed on the inside of the back cover of our quarterly publication. We would love to have you attend.

It's time to renew your dues for 2005. Dues remain at \$15 for an individual and \$25 for a married couple. You may send your dues to Friends of Genealogy, Inc., P. O. Box 17835, Shreveport, LA 71138-0835 or pay at the monthly meeting.

We look forward to a successful year in 2005, both in our research and in our organization. Encourage your friends to come with you and visit our library and attend our meetings. They just might get hooked on genealogy.

Wanda Head



## Mark Your Calendar

**Friends of Genealogy, Inc. has moved its regular meeting date to the third Saturday each month.**

<b>January 15, 2005</b> Milton Finley on Robert E. Lee	<b>February 19, 2006</b> Kathy Jackson on book binding and book restoration	<b>March 19, 2005</b> Sandra Haynie on the Prudhommes of Natchitoches Parish
<b>April 16, 2005</b> Margaret Bateman on North Caddo Parish History	<b>May 21, 2005</b> Lt. Col. John Mitchell, Ret. On How to Research a Military Unit	<b>June 18, 2005</b> John Basco on the Records Project (Digitalized Records)
<b>July 16, 2005</b> Sally Hamer, LSUS, on Writing Family Histories	<b>August 20, 2005</b> Open House, Membership Drive Mini Lessons	<b>September 17, 2005</b> Ann Lipscomb Webster on MS Archives Research
<b>October 15, 2005</b> Visit Oakland Cemetery & meet notable folks buried there!	<b>November 19, 2005</b> TBA	<b>December 17, 2005</b> Christmas Social

**Add to Mark Your Calendar, Mansfield, Louisiana: Battle of Mansfield Reenactment - April 8-10, 2005, on the 141st anniversary of the Battle of Mansfield, April 8, 1864.**

Unless otherwise noted all regular meetings are held at 1:00 p.m. in the Meeting Room, Shreve Memorial Library, Broadmoor Branch, 1212 Captain Shreve Drive, Shreveport, LA 71105 on the first Saturday of each month. However, times, locations, and topics are subject to change. Check local newspapers prior to each meeting, or call Wanda Head at 318-929-1730 for up-to-date program information. (E-mail: [wwhead@cmaaccess.com](mailto:wwhead@cmaaccess.com))

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

Visit our web site. Here, too, we invite your comments and suggestions. Help us structure our organization to be of the utmost benefit to you and your research.

## Editor's Letter

Dear Friends of Genealogy:

Welcome to a new year with new possibilities and potential for your research and our group! Have you set personal goals for your research? Setting a goal can be a positive influence, for once you have exhausted all conventional means to find information, then you get into the creative ways and means and often that bears bounteous fruit.

Long before the connections provided by the Internet, I knew I had Harrison extended family in the southern counties of Arkansas. My goal for that particular year was to make contact with them and further my Harrison line. My great-grandfather died quite young, possibly from Civil War health problems, and my grandfather was his only surviving son. But my great-grandfather had brothers and sisters and I wanted so much to find their descendants.

After searching genealogical journals from southern Arkansas and finding no queries that rang a bell, I resorted to sending a 3 X 5 inch card with my query to the Clerk of Court in the pertinent county, asking that it be posted on a bulletin board in the courthouse. Nothing happened for several months. Then I had a phone call from an extended family member. She had read my card, wondered who in the world I was and how in the world I fit into the Harrison family. Finally, her curiosity got the better of her and she contacted me. A wonderfully satisfying trip to that county to meet many extended family members resulted--all from setting a goal and doing something unorthodox to achieve it.

Likewise, Friends of Genealogy, Inc. has set goals for this year. Come and see what we have on tap! Check out the *Mark Your Calendar* page for coming meeting topics. You never know who you will run into at our meetings and several years experience have taught me I always learn something from each speaker.

We are assembling new data for *The Journal* and hope it will assist you in your quest. Have you paid your 2005 dues? Will you continue to receive *The Journal*? Are you going to continue in the doldrums or salley forth this year with new goals and accomplishments?

Sincerely,

Danielle Harrison Neal

# 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 Ima: My ancestor died in 1849 in Mississippi and while I can almost pinpoint his date of death from the probate created, he did die at a fairly young age and I would like more information. Did he have an accident? Did he die of natural causes? Did somebody shoot him? Any suggestions on a source for more information?

Dear Wondering: You know, a good old gossip newspaper from 1849 is just what you need! Don't be discouraged. Remember, the impossible just takes a little longer. Now, there are two books you can look for right now in your library for genealogical material gleaned from MS newspapers. Betty Couch Wiltshire has authored two volumes of *Mississippi Newspaper Obituaries*. Also look for Mary Lois Ragland's *Spreading the Word: Mississippi Newspaper Abstracts of Genealogical Interest, 1825-1935*.

Now, in the "little longer" department, the National Endowment for the Humanities and the Library of Congress are digitizing some 30 million pages of newspapers published from 1836 through 1922, and these records should be available by 2006. This is called the National Digital Newspaper Program. I really have no idea what digitizing is—but these newspaper files will be available over the Internet. And, Honey, the Internet is the greatest invention since the hairnet. I bet you will find something to shed light on your ancestor's death. Don't limit yourself to only newspapers from the immediate vicinity where the ancestor lived. News of deaths and such were published widely in the 19<sup>th</sup> Century. Look all over Mississippi and in New Orleans papers when you can.



Dear Miss Ima: Often "less" is "more," or more better. Those of us researching Smiths will know this to be true. I have a Smith ancestor born 1875 in Texas. Have you any idea the size of the 1880 Soundex for the Smith surname? It could take weeks to go through it. I'm in a hurry. Any short cuts available would be appreciated.

Dear Hurried: Maybe there is a shortcut. Did you know that in 1869 the Texas Constitution called for registration by county of all births and this registration went into effect in 1873? Well, it did. So why don't we have better Texas birth records? It was repealed in 1876. However, your Smith ancestor was born within the 3 years this law was in effect. Maybe you will be very, very lucky and find your Smiths were one of those folks a bit confused by the law who registered all their children and their own births as well. Wouldn't that be dandy? The name of the book with these records is *Early Texas Birth Records 1838-1878*. It costs \$38 plus postage and may be ordered from Southern Historical Press, Box 1267, Greenville, SC 29602-1267.

## WWI Draft Registration Card Index Bossier Parish, LA

There were three draft registrations for World War I in which more than 24 million men born between September 13, 1873 and September 12, 1900 registered. Only a small percentage of those registering actually were inducted into service. Not all who served in our military branches participated in this registration, but the compilation of such a large number of male citizens and alien-born men is a useful source of information. This is a particularly good source for tracing African American men.

A typical WWI draft registration card possibly may include the registrant's full name and signature, home address, age, date of birth, citizenship status, occupation, employer's name and address, race, dependents or nearest relative, and physical description. Cards for registrants born between June 6, 1886 and August 24, 1897 may also include birthplace, previous military service, and marital status.

Registration	Date	Men Eligible
First	June 5, 1917	Born between 6/6/1886 and 6/5/1896
Second	June 5, 1918	Born between 6/6/1896 and 6/5/1897
Supplemental	August 24, 1918	Born between 6/6/1897 and 8/24/1897
Third	September 12, 1918	Born between 8/24/1897 and 9/12/1900 Also between 9/13/1873 and 9/12/1887

If you find a person you are interested in and want to obtain a copy of the full registration card, write to Friends of Genealogy, Inc., include a stamped, self-addressed envelope, and a donation to cover copying. This index includes Bossier registrants from all registrations and many are obviously not residents of Bossier Parish, but chose to register there. This index began in Volume XV, No. 2 (Second Quarter 2003) and will continue until all who registered in Bossier Parish are listed.

Last Name	First/Middle Name	Residence	Date of Birth
Haily	Bob	Benton	17 Feb 1893
Hale	George	Plain Dealing	25 May 1895
Haley	Eustis	Bossier City	9 Sep 1900
Haley	James	Allendale	2 Jul 1887
Haley	Tom	Benton	11 Jun 1899
Haley	William	Curtis	6 Nov 1894
Holt	Albert	Bodcau	20 Mar 1893
Hall	Andrew Jr.	Benton	Not given
Hall	B.	Elm Grove	21 Jan 1886
Hall	Bill	Shreveport	29 Nov 1892
Hall	Coleman	Atkins	15 Mar 1899
Hall	Elbert	Atkins	1 Jan 1892
Hall	Ed	Benton	4 Jan 1885

Last Name	First/Middle Name	Residence	Date of Birth
Hall	George	Benton	8 Oct 1896
Hall	George Willis	Curtis	15 Oct 1887
Hall	Ike	Plain Dealing	1886
Hall	Isom	Atkins	14 Nov 1889
Hall	Jake	Curtis	21 Dec 1896
Hall	Jim	Benton	1 Jan 1896
Hall	Jim Clinton	Benton	21 Feb 1896
Hall	John Andrew	Curtis	11 May 1893
Hall	John Bell	Rocky Mount	26 Nov 1884
Hall	Larkins	Benton	26 Nov 1884
Hall	Mid	Shreveport	2 Mar 1896
Hall	Nathan	Atkins	10 May 1889
Hall	Neal	Taylortown	26 Aug 1899
Hall	Robert	Curtis	30 Jun 1889
Hall	Sidney	Shreveport	10 Feb 1895
Hall	Willie	Hughes Spur	4 Oct 1890
Hall	Will	Benton	1878
Holoway	David Everett	Plain Dealing	17 Oct 1893
Hansburg	Tommie	Shreveport	28 Sep 1899
Hamilton	Cary	Ninock	15 Jan 1876
Hamilton	Douglas	Curtis	15 Mar 1896
Hamilton	Elmo	McDade	8 Feb 1900
Hamilton	Gertanor	Bossier City	1892
Hamilton	Gus	Elm Grove	20 May 1881
Hamilton	Ernest	Shreveport	28 Oct 1895
Hamilton	Henry	Ninock	12 Oct 1880
Hamilton	Jerry	Elm Grove	15 Sep 1879
Hamilton	Jessie	Shreveport	15 Mar 1886
Hamilton	Joe	Elm Grove	10 May 1895
Hamilton	Joel	Plain Dealing	14 Aug 1893
Hamilton	John	Atkins	6 Jun 1892
Hamilton	Louis	Plain Dealing	16 Aug 1896
Hamilton	Lucien	McDade	22 Jan 1894
Hamilton	Perry	Atkins	2 Jan 1874
Hamilton	Raymond Bryan	Benton	10 Jan 1895
Hamilton	Robert	Atkins	21 Jul 1886
Hamilton	Sidney R.	Cotton Valley	15 Apr 1887
Hamilton	Spencer	Bolinger	5 Jul 1894
Hamilton	Walter	McDade	10 Jan 1889
Hamilton	Will	Plain Dealing	14 Feb 1875
Hamilton	Will	Atkins	16 Nov 1883
Hamilton	Youree	Shreveport	29 Nov 1889
Hamiter	David	Plain Dealing	4 Mar 1895

<b>Last Name</b>	<b>First/Middle Name</b>	<b>Residence</b>	<b>Date of Birth</b>
Hamiter	Bossier	Plain Dealing	22 Feb 1894
Hamiter	Olie	Plain Dealing	25 Jan 1884
Hamiter	Robert Edward	Plain Dealing	26 Jan 1876
Hammett	George Washington	Benton	17 may 1880
Hammett	John Bird	Benton	17 Sep 1882
Hammett	William Carroll	Benton	23 Nov 1877
Hamner	Charlie Daniel	Haughton	11 Feb 1893
Hamner	Earl Bertram	Haughton	28 Nov 1886
Hamner	Otis Tim	Haughton	13 Sep 1888
Hamilton	Abraham	Shreveport	8 Jan 1899
Hampton	Sigh	Benton	8 May 1898
Hampton	Spencer	Curtis	4 May 1896
Hampton	Wade	Shreveport	1896
Hampton	Willie	Bossier City	10 Jun 1895
Hankins	Jim	Benton	1 Jan 1894
Hanks	Charles Henry	Benton	13 Dec 1875
Hanks	John Tidwell	Benton	24 Aug 1888
Hanley	John Joseph	Bossier City	1 January 1889
Hardaman	Talmage	Benton	17 Apr 1895
Hardcastle	Archie W.	Arkana	18 Oct 1888
Hardcastle	Elvis Reece	Plain Dealing	10 Aug 1885
Hardcastle	Sidney R.	Plain Dealing	21 Jan 1893
Hardiman	Caleb	Benton	1 Jul 1882
Hardiman	Dan Jr.	Benton	Dec 1880
Hardiman	Horrace	Benton	1896
Hardy	Joe Henry	Bossier City	5 May 1899
Hardy	Mitchell	Bodcau	10 Nov 1872
Hardy	Mose Henry	Shreveport	1883
Hardy	Neal	Bodcau	16 May 1881
Hargrove	George	Shreveport	23 Feb 1898
Hargrove	Charles	McDade	1895
Hargrove	Richmond	McDade	1891
Harvey	Charlie	Arkana	5 Jul 1900
Hooper	Charles Henry	Haughton	28 Sep 1892
Harper	James Exie	Bellevue	16 Oct 1875
Harper	James Monroe Jr.	Haughton	26 Jun 1894
Harrell	Gibson Turner	Haughton	6 Feb 1896
Harrell	Thomas Blanchard	Arkana	2 Dec 1890
Harris	Alford Lee	Plain Dealing	1883
Harris	Anthony	Ivan	30 Jul 1900
Harris	Bruce	Allendale	1888
Harris	Charley	Bodcau	17 Mar 1898
Harris	Charles	Ivan	1 Oct 1880



<b>Last Name</b>	<b>First/Middle Name</b>	<b>Residence</b>	<b>Date of Birth</b>
Harris	Charlie	Alden Bridge	31 Mar 1882
Harris	Clifford	Cotton Valley	8 Jan 1894
Harris	Curtis H.	Taylortown	7 Aug 1880
Harris	Dawserd	Shreveport	1892
Harris	David	Cotton Valley	23 Oct 1897
Harris	Earl	Haughton	25 Dec 1895
Harris	Elias	Curtis	8 Aug 1898
Harris	Eugene	Minden	19 Jun 1885
Harris	Frank B.	Plain Dealing	5 Feb 1884
Harris	Fred	Shreveport	1896
Harris	Fred	Plain Dealing	11 May 1878
Harris	Isaiah	Plain Dealing	4 Jul 1890
Harris	Jesse	Plain Dealing	11 Sep 1899
Harris	James	Plain Dealing	11 Oct 1875
Harris	Jesse Williams	Benton	6 Apr 1880
Harris	John Jr.	Plain Dealing	1 Jan 1897
Hart	Lucian	Benton	2 Jul 1896
Harris	John J.	Plain Dealing	2 Sep 1881
Harris	Leslie	Curtis	1895
Harris	Levi Sr.	Ivan	11 May 1884
Harris	Lemuel	Shreveport	20 Mar 1880
Harris	Robert	Benton	14 aug 1888
Harris	Robert	Plain Dealing	15 August 1886
Harris	Sam	Curtis	6 May 1892
Harris	Stanley	Elm Grove	15 Jul 1891
Harris	Sydney	Bellinger	1883
Harris	Tom	Plain Dealing	15 Sep 1890
Harris	Will	Elm Grove	10 Mar 1894
Harris	Wiley	Curtis	1893
Harris	Will	Plain Dealing	1898
Harris	Will	Plain Dealing	2 Apr 1875
Harris	Will	Cotton Valley	29 Oct 1882
Harris	William Johnson	McDade	14 Feb 1886
Harrison	A. W. Jr.	Benton	29 Jul 1882
Harris	Willie	Alden Bridge	25 Dec 1877
Harrison	Andy	Cotton Valley	12 Oct 1883
Harrison	Charles Alexander	Plain Dealing	30 Jun 1873
Harrison	China W.	Benton	26 Oct 1878
Hart	Harry	Benton	12 Jul 1878
Hartman	Earl W.	Haughton	20 Nov 1892

*To be continued. . .*



# Woodard Cemetery Bienville Parish, Louisiana

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WOODARD, James 22 Jun 1809 07 Jan 1877

Plaque located amongst oldest graves in the cemetery [047]

Family of James WOODARD and Sarah FRIAR WOODARD  
1809-1877 1814-1903

Margaret Jane WOODARD	1832-1864
George WOODARD	1834-1853
Thomas Elias WOODARD	1836-1899
Jessie WOODARD killed in Civil War	1840-1862
Isaac WOODARD	1841-1923
Mary Ann WOODARD	1844-1926
Asa WOODARD	1846-1920
Martha Catherine "Tat" WOODARD	1848-1923
Her infant son [first grave]	1851
John Alexander WOODARD	1853-1926
James Buchanan WOODARD	1855-1920

Erected by  
Lettie Van Landingham 1966  
Helen WOODARD



WOODARD, Sarah 30 Jun 1814 20 Dec 1903  
(w/o James Woodard)

WOODARD, Isaac [no dates]  
(Co F 13<sup>th</sup> LA Partisan Rangers CSA)

WOODARD, Sallie 26 Jan 1843 05 Jun 1920

(w/o Isaac Woodard)		
WOODARD, Emma (w/o J. B. Woodard) [053]	26 Jun 1859	21 Oct 1913
WOODARD, James Buchanan	30 Jan 1855	18 Aug 1920
ALLISON, Charles S. (La Cpl 1252 Base Unit AAF WW II)	04 May 1914	14 Mar 1955
BODDIE, Inf. d/o Allen A. & Dorothy W. Boddie "Janet"	23 Sep 1953	
BARBEROUSSE, #*Joseph Leon	08 Jan 1888	06 Nov 1958
*Mattie C.	23 Nov 1891	16 Jun 1969
#Myra E.	20 Jun 1920	13 May 1943
#Dorothy Ann		28 Nov 1931
WOODARD, #John H. (h/o Elizabeth WORSHAM)	1872	1957
#Elizabeth (w/o John H. Woodard)	1879	1941
WOLFE, #Elsie WOODARD	26 Sep 1903	10 Feb 1998
WOODARD, #Inf d/o J. H. & Lizzie Woodard		24 Sep 1909
#Inf s/o J. H. & Lizzie Woodard		14 Sep 1905
HUNT, Margaret	1788	09 Aug 1881



Margaret Hunt marker

WOODARD, J. A.	18 Mar 1853	06 Jun 1930
ROBERTS, Delos M.	13 Jul 1892	11 Nov 1892
ROBERTS, Lester Clair	15 Jul 1894	26 Jan 1895
ROBERTS, J. C.	11 Sep 1868	18 Feb 1925
RICE, Flora D.	22 Apr 1891	30 Apr 1978
FULLER, *Joe Roye {md 09 Apr 1932}	09 Apr 1912	26 Nov 1996
*Mary GARRIGA	25 Dec 1910	10 Oct 2003

KILPATRICK, Annie Mae	11 Aug 1897	21 Dec 1977
KILPATRICK, Oscar L.	25 Dec 1895	12 Aug 1969
McCOY, #Nellie C.	1889	1975
#W. R. Sr. [Mason]	1880	1939
LAUNIUS, Wendell A. (Father) [Mason]	03 Sep 1928	
LAUNIUS, Susie W. [WOODARD]	30 Dec 1932	24 Jul 1984
HOLMES, Beatrice W.	02 Oct 1910	04 Nov 1991
FREEMAN, Minnie Lee	19 Jul 1911	13 Nov 1980
FREEMAN, Laurice R.	06 Sep 1906	24 Jul 1971
FREEMAN, *John Thomas (Daddy)	24 Sep 1883	12 Jun 1949
*Hattie S. (Mama)	14 Dec 1885	26 May 1960
WOODARD, Susie Edith	14 May 1891	10 Jan 1988
WOODARD, James T. B.	11 Mar 1877	23 Jul 1941
WOODARD, U. G.	20 Dec 1868	24 Jul 1941
WOOD, Emmett E.	04 Sep 1895	09 Feb 1979
WOOD, Thora Mae	27 Oct 1916	24 Oct 2000
JONES, Vicki KILPATRICK	20 Apr 1959	30 Jan 1978
McCOY, *Henry Herbert	24 Feb 1919	10 Sep 1976
(Tec 4 US Army WW II) {md 20 Dec 1941}		
*Clotile LYLES	23 Apr 1924	11 Dec 2002
McCOY, *Walter Rauleigh Jr.	13 Apr 1914	08 Mar 1990
(Lt Col US Air Force WW II Korea Vietnam)		
*Nellie Lucille CURRIE	10 Feb 1915	
McCOY, Henry Lane (Pop)	03 Oct 1947	20 Feb 1995
MERRITT, *Janie M.	19 Sep 1882	27 Mar 1963
*Marshall P.	05 Jul 1875	08 Mar 1950
BENEDICT, *Earl P.	29 Jun 1893	26 Sep 1974
(Pvt US Army)		
*Minnie M.	30 Apr 1901	06 Jun 1972
BENEDICT, Marshall H.	26 Sep 1929	06 Apr 1999
(US Air Force Korea)		
[recent grave with no FHM - only flowers]		

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SMITH, #Juanita SPRING	29 Oct 1914	15 Nov 2000
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#John Dee Jr.	01 Jan 1904	06 Jan 1966
MILLER, *Melvin R.	18 Apr 1918	24 Mar 1986
*Irene A.	18 Sep 1916	27 Oct 1978
MILLER, *Clarence B.	17 Jan 1894	27 Nov 1984
*Gertrude W. (Grandmother)	20 Feb 1896	08 Jul 1991
SMYTHE, *Chester Stone (Father)	02 May 1911	12 Sep 1999
*Edna MILLER (Mother)	14 Jan 1914	26 Aug 1991
WORSHAM, Sybil MILLER	09 Oct 1915	24 Oct 1953
BOOTH, *William M.	1898	1957
*Mattie S.	1895	1980
JONES, *Arthur L. [picture]	19 Jun 1917	24 Apr 1989
{md 06 Nov 1945}		
*Ruby Jewel [picture]	19 Jan 1926	01 Aug 1980
WATSON, *James Edward	17 Nov 1913	22 Oct 1991
{md 21 May 1939}		
*Inez CLIFFT	05 Feb 1918	27 Oct 1991
CLIFFT, *Sherwood	04 Oct 1874	06 Feb 1958
*Nannie M.	09 Jul 1880	09 Sep 1968
GREEN, Gary Lynn [infant]		18 Jul 1959
GREEN, *Shirley CANDLER	15 Jan 1938	23 Jul 2002
{md 07 Dec 1957} (Ch: Gary, Kristi, Kyle, Kelli)		
*Robert C. Jr. "RC"	31 Mar 1934	
CROWELL, *James Griffin (Father)	19 Dec 1875	28 Jan 1964
{md 12 Feb 1903}		
*Mary POWELL (Mother)	02 Jun 1875	31 Oct 1964
STROZIER, *Henry Fred	12 Apr 1915	07 Mar 1996
*Lucille C.	15 May 1918	
FRANKS, Mary W. FOSTER	07 Aug 1919	19 Jan 1982
COLE, Elva W. MURPHY	28 Jan 1908	23 Aug 1989
MURPHY, Henry Mitchel	18 Oct 1905	19 Sep 1961
(LA PFC 1262 SVC Comd Unit WW II)		
WHITLOCK, Frank Ward (Father)	13 Jun 1882	19 Dec 1959
BLANK, Jonathon Kevin	08 Jun 1961	15 Feb 1962
MILES, *Charlie P.	04 Aug 1911	
*Mary Lee	06 Apr 1912	12 Dec 2000
COTTLE, *Gloria June	16 Jul 1940	
(Vet US Marine Corps) (Ch: Dennis, Kevin)		
*James Dennis, Jr. "Cooter"	18 Oct 1934	26 Feb 2002
VIZE, Ernest Melvin (Brother)	13 Sep 1937	28 Apr 1974

(PFC US Army) [Military marker has birth: 13 Sep 1936]

VIZE, *Henry C. (Daddy)	08 Nov 1910	27 Jul 1978
*Eunice S. (Mother)	17 Aug 1910	
VAUGHN, *Billie Jean (Mother)	17 Jul 1929	
*Stacy Amelia (Dau.) [picture]	13 Jul 1968	28 Mar 1981
DORMAN, *Lonnie Alford	11 Oct 1915	18 Nov 1966
*Lucy BREWER	14 Apr 1908	29 Apr 1966
BUTLER, Timmy W.	01 Mar 1958	23 Aug 1993
BUTLER, *Oscar	19 May 1889	02 Jul 1966
*Anna COX	24 Jun 1904	03 Jan 1973
BUTLER, Ronnie Wayne	19 Aug 1958	14 Feb 2002
MILES, *Willie Melvin (Daddy)	08 Nov 1908	30 May 1972
*Ethel SPEER (Mother)	04 Dec 1912	06 Jun 1993
RENO, *Atone	17 Aug 1913	02 Jun 2004
{md 03 Dec 1931}		
*Lizzie M. EVANS	31 Dec 1912	19 Mar 2002
POWELL, *Howard	29 Dec 1917	12 Jul 1979
{md 10 Oct 1959}		
*Ruby R.	18 Jan 1933	
GIVINS, Beulah	1907	1996
GIVINS, P. W.	1905	1967
GARNER, Ora Lee	19 Mar 1914	14 May 1992
BUTLER, *Reba S.	27 Mar 1938	14 Nov 1999
{md 24 Dec 1957}		
*Bobby G.	30 Apr 1935	
BUTLER, *Henry (Father)	07 Oct 1901	21 Sep 1980
*Jewel M. (Mother)	06 May 1905	19 Feb 1985
BUTLER, *Nettie Rae	18 Oct 1909	14 Feb 1993
*Moses Larkin	25 Nov 1905	24 Apr 1993
STRICKLIN, Roger Dale "Strick"	22 Feb 1966	18 Apr 1987



Roger Dale Stricklin marker

STRICKLIN, *Grady T.	13 Jan 1933	17 Dec 1990
*Patsy R.	05 Mar 1940	

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STRINGER, *James C. "J.C."	24 Dec 1908	07 Aug 1984
*Virginia CATES	15 Jun 1925	

RENO, Mary Helen (Helen, Arlene, Maurine)	05 Dec 1928	10 May 1999
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BACON, Maurine RENO	19 Nov 1909	30 Aug 1983
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SMITH, *Elzie Drew {md 06 Apr 1947}	19 Mar 1921	
*Julia Laura RENO	23 Dec 1930	16 Apr 2003

Section III - South of driveway on south side of main section.

HUGHES, *Lee Edward {md 09 Nov 1934}	02 Jan 1910	30 Jul 1999
*Elaine BOUNDS	28 Apr 1917	23 Apr 2002

BASHAM, *Parmer F. {md 08 Jul 1939}	05 Jan 1918	11 Aug 1989
*Willie BARBER	16 Aug 1922	

ROBERSON, *Willard	04 Aug 1918	28 Aug 2002
*Emily	26 Apr 1922	12 Mar 1999

TAYLOR, Mrs. Vetra BRADY [FHM]	23 Jul 1928	27 Apr 2004
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THOMAS, *Eugene D.	27 Dec 1929	
*Doris J.	17 Nov 1935	

COLLINS, *Lloyd W.	18 Oct 1913	07 Dec 1991
*Evelyn J.	31 Aug 1926	

OGWYN, *John Hardy [Mason] {md 27 Dec 1936}	27 Nov 1905	14 Dec 1983
*Trudie MILLER [ES]	10 Aug 1918	

Markers listed on previous listing which were not located during this survey.

HENDERSON, Pearlla	1871	1911
HENDERSON, Robert	1863	1914
WARE, Edmond B.	08 Sep 1951	18 Sep 1951
WOODARD, Sugar B. - [illegible dates]		

[End of Cemetery]

## **Obituaries and Deaths From Northwest Louisiana Newspapers**

### **Contributed by Wanda Volentine Head**

(Continued from Vol. VXi, No. 4)

Metcalf, Rufus Richardson

1857/06/24 - Died on the 21st inst., at the residence of his parents, in Caddo Parish, Rufus Richardson, aged 8 years, son of V. D. and Virginia Metcalf. [The South-Western, June 24, 1857]

Allen, James S.

1857/06/24 - Died on the 22nd inst., after a lingering illness, Mr. James S. Allen, aged about 45 years, of the late firm of Allen & Paxton. [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, June 24, 1857]

Thatcher, William

1857/06/24 - Died on the morning of the 21st. inst., aged about 5 months, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Thatcher. [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, June 24, 1857]

Wallace, E. (Mr.)

1857/06/24 - Jumped overboard from a steamer Swan, on the 14th inst., a few miles from Alexandria, Mr. E. Wallace, (a tailor), late of Shreveport. The Louisiana Democrat states that the deceased was laboring under an attack of delirium tremens. [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, June 24, 1857]

[Unknown], John

1857/07/01 - Drowned: Coroner Bauman on Saturday held an examination on the body of a young man, generally known as "John," found floating in the river. He had been for some time employed on the steam ferryboat as a fireman and deckhand. On Wednesday evening the engineer told him to throw a few sticks of wood in the furnace, since which time nothing was seen of the deceased until his remains were found in the water. He was in the habit of going into the wheel house for the purpose of enjoying the cool atmosphere and it is supposed that he fell overboard, and the wheel striking him was rendered incapable of reaching the shore or calling for aid. [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, July 1, 1857]

Yarborough, Arthur

1857/07/08 - Died on the 6th inst., at Willow-Chute, Mr. Arthur Yarborough, aged 35 years. [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, July 8, 1857]



Guice, Jonathan

1857/07/15 - Died on the 11th inst., at his residence near this place, Mr. Jonathan Guice, aged 64 years, a native of Franklin County, Mississippi, and for the last 19 years a citizen of Caddo Parish. He leaves a large circle of relatives and friends to mourn his loss. (Natchez and Vicksburg papers please copy) [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, July 15, 1857]

Boarman, A. J. (Mr.)

1857/07/15 - Sudden Death: As Mr. A. J. Boarman was walking down Market Street on Friday morning, he suddenly fell and expired in a few minutes. He had been in low health for some months and is supposed to have ruptured a blood vessel. [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, July 15, 1857]

Haygood, George W.

1857/07/22 - Capt. George W. Haygood, an old and well known Red River and Atchafalaya steamboat man died on the 12th inst., at Corpus Christi (Texas). [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, July 22, 1857]

Smith, Chester Bulkley

1857/07/22 - Died on Friday morning last, 10th inst., in this parish, Chester Bulkley, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Dunlop Smith. [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, July 22, 1857]

Cunliffe, John H. (Dr.)

1857/07/22 - Died on the 10th inst., after a lingering illness, Dr. John H. Cunliffe, aged 67 years, a native of Richmond, Virginia, and for the last 16 years a resident of North Louisiana and Arkansas. [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, July 22, 1857]

Ford, Sam Nicholson

1857/07/22 - Died yesterday, Sam Nicholson, aged 10 years, 10 months and 21 days, eldest son of the late Sam and Mrs. C. V. Ford. The friends of the family are respectively invited to attend the funeral, which will take place this morning at 8 o'clock. [The South-Western, July 22, 1857]

Rusk, General

1857/08/05 - Death of General Rusk: The Henderson Flag of the Union says, "we regret to learn from Nacogdoches, just as we are going to press, that General Rusk shot himself through the head on Wednesday last and died immediately." Col. B. M. Johnson, of this place, received on Sunday evening, information to the effect that Gen. Rusk had shot himself. No particulars are given, and his constituents are left to conjecture what could have induced so distinguished a soldier and statesman to commit suicide. [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, August 5, 1857]

Walls, James

1857/08/12 - Died on the 3rd inst., after long suffering from abscess of the liver, at his residence in DeSoto Parish, Mr. James Walls, for many years a citizen of this parish. [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, August 12, 1857]

Nelson, Paul Booker

1857/08/12 - Died on the 6th inst., Paul Booker, age four years, one month, and twelve days, son of Colonel and Mrs. C. T. Nelson. [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, August 12, 1857]

Decker, Mrs.

1857/08/12 - Drowned: Early Monday night Mrs. Decker drowned herself by wading out into the river, opposite the foot of Texas Street. She was speedily rescued but every effort to resuscitate her proved fruitless. She had for some days labored under an aberrance of mind, occasioned it is supposed by morphine, and attempted to drown herself Sunday night, but was frustrated by the vigilance of her family. Monday night she succeeded in eluding her friends and found a watery grave. [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, August 12, 1857]

Matlock, Tulula

1857/09/08 - Died on the 28th ult., at the residence of Mr. W. H. Woodley, Harrison County, Texas, after an illness of two and a half days, Tulula Matlock, daughter of Mrs. C. Matlock. [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, September 8, 1857]

Crooks, Lelia Dudley

1858/09/22 - Died on the morning of the 18th inst., at half past 3 o'clock, of malignant sore throat, after an illness of nine days, Lelia Dudley, a daughter of James and Sallie Crooks, aged 3 years, 10 months and 12 days. (Louisville, Kentucky and St. Joseph, Missouri please copy) [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, September 22, 1858]

McCall, Thos.

1858/09/29 - Died on the 25th inst., after a long and painful illness, at his residence in Caddo Parish, Mr. Thos. McCall, aged 60 years, an old and respected citizen of this parish. [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, September 29, 1858]

White, J. F. (Mr.)

1858/09/29 - Died on the 28th inst., Mr. J. F. White, (tinner) aged 40 years, a native of England, and for many years a citizen of this place. (New Orleans papers please notice) [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, September 29, 1858]

Williams, John Oliver

1858/10/06 - Died at the residence of his parents, on Ferry Lake, Caddo Parish, on Friday, 27th August, John Oliver, aged 17 months and 21 days, son of Thomas J. and Melissa A. Williams. [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, October 6, 1858]

Larey, Elizabeth Blanton

1858/10/06 - Died at the residence of Mr. H. M. G. Larey, Lafayette County, Arkansas, on the 14th September, Mrs. Elizabeth Larey, aged 28 years, wife of Evens L. Larey, and daughter of Richard and Mary Blanton. [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, October 6, 1858]

Alston, W. W. (Mr.)

1858/10/06 - Died on the 28th ult., in the parish of DeSoto, Mr. W. W. Alston, aged 55 years, a native of Halifax, North Carolina and for a number of years a resident of Sumpterville, South Carolina. (Raleigh and Halifax papers please copy) [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, October 6, 1858]

Caperton, Cornelius Y.

1858/10/06 - Died on the 29th ult., Cornelius Y., aged 2 years, 4 months and 18 days, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Caperton. [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, October 6, 1858]

Gooch, Mattie Shivers

1858/10/06 - Died on the 30th ult., Mattie Shivers, aged 3 months, infant daughter of J. L. and Mattie Gooch. [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, October 6, 1858]

Dashiell, Sarah Louisa

1858/10/13 - Died on the 3rd inst., Sarah Louisa, aged 16 years, 1 month and 14 days, daughter of Dan'l Dashiell. [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, October 13, 1858]

Roach, John H.

1858/10/27 - Died on the 15th inst., at Jefferson, Texas, John H., son of Henry S. and Ann J. Roach, of this parish. [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, October 27, 1858]

Willis, Bethesia B. (Mrs.)

1858/10/27 - Died on the 22nd inst., at the residence of Mr. James B. Willis, in Caddo Parish, Mrs. Bethesia B. Willis, in the 56th years of her age, consort of Dr. Robert Willis, formerly of this parish. The deceased had resided in this parish for many years where

she had enjoyed the society of numerous friends and relatives. She had returned from her home in Texas to see her friends and children who still remain here. (Dallas, Texas Herald please copy) [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, October 27, 1858]  
Dickinson, Albert

1858/10/27 - Died on the 22nd inst., in Caddo Parish, Mr. Albert Dickinson, aged about 27 years. [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, October 27, 1858]

Stephens, Louisa Anne

1858/10/27 - Died on Tuesday, 12th inst., near Summer Grove, Caddo Parish, Louisa Anne, aged nine years and one day, daughter of B. K. and Martha Stephens. Louisa died suddenly; she was taken ill on Sunday morning and remained in a state of unconsciousness until Tuesday morning. (Summer Grove, October 22, 1858) (Louisiana Baptist please copy) [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, October 27, 1858]

Smith, Wm W. (Mr.)

1858/11/03 - Caught: Ward, accused of the murder of Mr. Wm. W. Smith, was apprehended, on the 24th ult., at the house of Mr. David Tatum, Jackson Parish, and brought to this place on Wednesday evening and lodged in prison to await his trial. Previous to being secured, Ward made a desperate defense, killing a Mr. Barnes and wounding Mr. J. F. Walker. He was then shot in the shoulder by Mr. Tatum and finally secured. His wound is not serious. [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, November 3, 1858]

Knox, Thulina Rebecca

1858/11/03 - Died on the 31st October, Thulina Rebecca, aged 3 years, 2 months and 25 days, daughter of Levin and Virginia A. Knox. [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, November 3, 1858]

Greneaux, Charles E.

1858/11/10 - The Hon. Charles E. Greneaux, ex-treasurer of the State of Louisiana, died at Natchitoches on the 25th ult., after a short illness. Judge Greneaux filled a number of public offices with credit to himself and the satisfaction of the public. His death will be regretted by a large circle of friends. [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, November 10, 1858]

Levy, James

1858/11/17 - Body Found: Coroner Bauman on Sunday held an inquest over the body of Mr. James Levy, found floating in Red River. The deceased was a shoe maker by trade and was last seen at the fire which destroyed Gilmer's sawmill. It is thought he incidentally (sic) (accidentally) fell into the river and was drowned before he could make his situation known. [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, November 17, 1858]

Clafles, Clark

1859/01/12 - Died on the 5th inst., Captain Clark Clafles, aged about 45 years, an old resident of this place. [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, January 12, 1859]

Heine, Adolphus L.

1859/01/12 - Died on the 7th inst., in New Orleans, Mr. Adolphus L. Heine, for the last twelve years, a citizen of Shreveport. He was a kind, affectionate husband, a doting father, and always among the first to join in any scheme of philanthropy or public utility. He leaves a large circle of friends to deplore his loss. (Savannah and Charleston papers notice) [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, January 12, 1859]

Heine, A. L. (Mr.)

1859/01/19 - Tribute of Respect: At a meeting of the Hebrew Mutual Benevolent Association, held at Shreveport, on the 14th of January, 1859, a resolution was reported by a special committee in the death of friend, A. L. Heine, who died in New Orleans, on the 7th inst. [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, January 19, 1859]

Gooch, Martha (Mrs.)

1859/01/26 - Died on the 21st January, Mrs. Martha Gooch. She was a wife, mother, a neighbor and a friend. (Long article but not much information) [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, January 26, 1859]

Silvy, Joseph C.

1859/02/02 - Died on the 21st ult., at Osyka, Amite County, Mississippi, Mr. Joseph C. Silvy, aged about 40 years, formerly of Shreveport. [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, February 2, 1859]

Jones, Emily Augusta (Mrs.)

1859/02/02 - Obituary: Died, at the residence of her husband, Ringgold, Louisiana, on the 10th November, 1858, of nervous fever, Mrs. Emily Augusta Jones, wife of Dr. A. P. Jones. She was aged about 28 years. When we first went to Minden in 1848, she was living there, a beautiful and accomplished woman full of life and hope with a heart and soul as noble, pure and kind as any in the land. Her maiden name was Desha, and as we had known some of the members of her noble ancestral family, we readily became friends. She left two children, James Harrell and Lucy Desha. Editor Illiad, Homer, Louisiana, January 22, 1859. [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, February 2, 1859]


Dashiel, William Chisolm

1859/02/09 - Died in Montgomery, Alabama, on the 17th February, William Chisolm, the oldest son of W. H. and M. J. Dashiel, of Shreveport, Louisiana. [The South-Western, Shreveport, Louisiana, March 9, 1859] [Continued in next issue]

## CADDO PARISH CATTLE BRANDS

By Joe Slattery

The registered cattle brands and cattle marks for residents of Caddo Parish are found in a ledger book in the Deed Room of the Caddo Parish Courthouse. As you enter the Deed Room they are against the wall on the left side. Joe Slattery of the Shreve Memorial Genealogy Department transcribed the registered marks from the inception of the parish up to 1880. There are more, so if your relative began raising cattle after 1880, then by all means check out this source. Some entries only provide the name and the date, but most include a reproduction of the mark, which is included in this listing. This listing began in the 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter 2004 *Journal* and concludes in this issue.

No.	Name	Brand	Date
225.	Mrs. H. C. Lewis		12 December 1861
226.	David Forbis		16 January 1862
227.	John c. Griggs		4 March 1862
228.	A. Flournoy		4 March 1862
229.	Isaac McKee		4 March 1862
230.	Levy Hutto		13 March 1862
231.	S. M. Attaway		13 March 1862
232.	Joseph Vincent		15 March 1862
233.	Aaron Townsend		20 March 1862
234.	Mrs. Jane M. Jordan		10 April 1862
235.	Sarah Ann Markham	6	15 April 1862
236.	George Andrews		16 April 1862
237.	D. P. Bickham		18 April 1862
238.	J.B. Pearce		21 April 1862
239.	Mahala Ann Attaway		7 May 1862
240.	J. W. Attaway		7 May 1862
241.	Littleberry Attaway		4 June 1862
242.	Andrew Doe		1 June 1862
243.	Joshua Bryant		27 June 1862
244.	W. J. Foster		21 July 1862
245.	Joel Tallmadge		13 August 1862
246.	Pierre Bollean		13 August 1862
247.	Harrison Meyer		13 August 1862
248.	William Wilds Deloach		25 August 1862
249.	A. Winter		27 October 1862
250.	S. B. Jones		27 October 1862



No.	Name	Brand	Date
251.	W. J. Beard	3	24 November 1862
252.	N. E. Wright		27 November 1862
253.	J. N. Posey		16 December 1862
254.	J. T. Jeffries		13 March 1863
255.	W. L. McMahan	♡	22 April 1863
256.	M. Watson	MW	22 April 1863
257.	Samuel Van Bibber	V	25 July 1863
258.	J. J. Domnigues	J D	22 August 1863
259.	E. H. Grubbs		31 August 1863
260.	Arba McCall		24 September 1863
261.	H. T. Farmer		24 September 1863
262.	P. Kiely		4 December 1863
263.	Thomas M. Penick		25 January 1864
264.	Mrs. Mary Z. Phillips		25 February 1865
265.	B. H. Roach		28 March 1865
266.	Mary L. Rambin		22 September 1865
267.	John W. Smith		7 November 1865
268.	J. B. Hinkley	HH-	9 November 1865
269.	George L. Cagle	C	16 March 1866
270.	Robert E. Rankin, Jr.		24 April 1866
271.	H. T. Liles		24 July 1866
272.	Jacob Rigdon	J.R.	1 September 1866
273.	J. S. Liles		28 September 1866
274.	John Shows		28 September 1866
275.	J. J. Carstarphen	8	3 November 1866
276.	John Young	J.Y	22 May 1867
277.	Frank Lashe		29 November 1867
278.	James A. Burcham		30 December 1867
279.	Wilson Simons		24 July 1868
280.	William Springet		7 November 1868
281.	Mrs. Irene Hecox	I.H.	16 December 1868
282.	John B. Newton		16 August 1869
283.	Joseph P. Beaird	J. B.	18 August 1869
284.	Joseph English	J. E.	3 December 1869
285.	Alfred Leroy (Called Alfred Winter)		22 December 1869
286.	Amos Ford (Colored)		4 October 1870
287.	D. J. Smith		22 October 1870



No.	Name	Brand	Date
288.	W. B. Jones		22 October 1870
289.	Peter B. Brown		20 June 1871
290.	Handy Walker	H.W.	1 July 1871
291.	Robert Spencer		7 August 1871
292.	Elijah M. Smith		11 August 1871
293.	Silas M. Self		23 September 1871
294.	Mary E. Ross	MR	4 October 1871
295.	Jerome B. Gilmore		12 October 1871
296.	Charles Davis (Colored)	C.D.	3 April 1872
297.	W. R. Cox	COX	16 August 1872
297.	Francis Simmons	FS-	31 August 1872
298.	Mrs. Mary Marshall		10 September 1872
299.	Handy Ford		28 December 1872
300.	William Ayers (Colored)		28 December 1872
301.	Jefferson Walker	J.W.	12 February 1873
302.	D. R. Lee		28 March 1873
303.	Eliza Griffin	E G	19 April 1873
304.	Mary Markham	mm	6 June 1873
305.	Sy Thomas	ST	21 August 1873
306.	William Mack McCoy		1 November 1873
307.	Tom Janes	T.J.	7 January 1874
308.	Daniel Monroe		12 August 1874
309.	George M. Efner		11 December 1874
310.	Jefferson Cole	J.C.	22 October 1875
311.	Ben Diggs	BD	16 February 1876
312.	James E. Smith	J E S	29 April 1876
313.	Austin Young	AY	1 May 1876
314.	James Greenfields		3 August 1876
315.	Charles Jones	C.J.	21 September 1876
316.	William Hutchinson	TC	17 November 1876

No.	Name	Brand	Date
317.	Isaac Reams	IR	26 January 1877
318.	Madison Reams	M.R	26 January 1877
319.	Washington Walker	WW	17 March 1877
320.	John Caldwell	J. C.	3 April 1877
321.	Seymour Massingale	S.M	8 June 1877
322.	Sawdea Whitehurst	SW	16 June 1877
323.	Mary Jane Williams		31 January 1878
324.	Moses Boldin	M	6 April 1878
325.	John Watson	J. W.	8 March 1878
326.	N. B. Hughes		27 May 1878
327.	Mrs. M. C. Bates	25	1 June 1878
328.	John Williams	JW	14 August 1878
329.	Lafayette Tharpe	LT	24 August 1878
330.	Nicholas Raimond	NR	31 October 1878
331.	Missouri Downs	MD	18 December 1878
332.	Barbara Wright	97	21 February 1879
333.	Robert G. Bagley	9	12 April 1879
334.	Gilbert Meyers		10 June 1879
335.	Henry Markham, Jr.	HC	11 October 1879
336.	Mrs. Josephine E. de Bergue	Jd	19 January 1880
337.	Mrs. Martha Matthews	M	18 February 1880
338.	Mrs. Elizabeth Stephenson	S	18 February 1880

No.	Name	Brand	Date
339.	Johnson Simmonds	JS	27 March 1880
340.	W. E. Hamilton	WH	10 May 1880
341.	Dan Monroe	DM	11 June 1880
342.	Irvin Andrews	IA	24 July 1880
343.	Mose Harris		19 August 1880
344.	Jane Thompson		9 October 1880

#### ~~~~~ The Story Tellers.....

We are the chosen. My feelings are that in each family there is one who seems called to find the ancestors.

To put flesh on their bones and make them live again, to tell the family story and to feel that somehow they know and approve. To me, doing genealogy is not a cold gathering of facts but, instead, breathing life into all who have gone before.

We are the story tellers of the tribe. All tribes have one. We have been called as it were by our genes. Those who have gone before cry out to us: Tell our story. So, we do. In finding them, we somehow find ourselves.

How many graves have I stood before now and cried? I have lost count. How many times have I told the ancestors you have a wonderful family that one could be proud of.

How many times have I walked up to a grave and felt somehow there was love there for me? I cannot say.

It goes beyond just documenting facts. It goes to who I am and why I do the things I do. It goes to seeing a cemetery about to be lost forever to weeds and indifference, and say I can't let this happen.

The bones here are bones of my bone and flesh of my flesh. It goes to doing something about it. It goes to pride in what our ancestors were able to accomplish. How they contributed to what we are today. It goes to respecting their hardships and losses, their never giving in or giving up, their resoluteness to go on and build a life for their family.

It goes to a deep pride that they fought to make and keep us a Nation. It goes to a deep and immense understanding that they were doing it for us. That we might be born who we are, that we might remember them. So we do. With love and caring and scribing each fact of their existence, because we are them and they are us. So, as a scribe called, I tell the story of my family. It is up to the one called in the next generation to answer the call and take their place in the long line of family story tellers.

That is why I do my family genealogy, and that is what calls those young and old to sep up and put flesh on the bones.

[Author Unknown]

## THE ALDEN FAMILY IN LOUISIANA: DESCENDANTS OF ISAAC<sup>6</sup> ALDEN

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This article is an excerpt from my unfinished research on the descendants of my great-great-great grandparents, David<sup>5</sup> (*Eleazor*,<sup>4</sup> *Joseph*,<sup>3</sup> *Joseph*,<sup>2</sup> *John*<sup>1</sup>) and Lucia<sup>5</sup> "Lucy" (*Mary*,<sup>4</sup> *John*,<sup>3</sup> *Joseph*,<sup>2</sup> *John*<sup>1</sup>) (Thomas) Alden. Both David and Lucia were fifth generation descendants of John and Priscilla (Mullens) Alden. Their daughter, Lydia (Alden) Gray, was my great-great-grandmother. David and Lucia moved to Huntstown, Hampshire County, Massachusetts<sup>[1]</sup> about 1765 with four children and settled on Proprietor's Lot #48 in the 1<sup>st</sup> Division.<sup>[2]</sup> Children of David and Lucia (Thomas) Alden: Isaac<sup>6</sup> Alden, David Alden, Jr., John Alden, Lydia Alden and Enoch Alden.

Six of Isaac's children settled in northwest Louisiana in the early part of the 19<sup>th</sup> century. These children and their families are the subject of this article.

Some of my information on the Isaac Alden family was taken from a family history, *The Ancestors and Descendants of Isaac Alden and Irene Smith*, self-published in 1903 by Harriet Chapin Fielding, which included legible images of four hand-written pages from the Isaac Alden family Bible. At least fourteen of Isaac and Irene's grandchildren were alive and contributors to this 1903 genealogy, including four who had lived in Louisiana: Philomela (Rathbun) Day, daughter of Philomela; Emma Frances (Alden) Proctor, daughter of Joshua; George R. Alden, Irene (Alden) Fuqua, and Dr. Philo Alden, children of Philo. Many of the great-grandchildren were contributors, also. This 1903 family history can be found in many genealogical libraries, so I have not rewritten it here. My research adds to, corrects, or corroborates the information in this earlier genealogy. I have used the dates written in the Isaac Alden Bible record and those given for the family members who were alive in 1903. Dates and other information that need further verification are preceded by "ca," "may have," or "probably."

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The record is far from complete; this researcher welcomes any corrections or additions with their sources.

### ISAAC ALDEN

**ISAAC<sup>6</sup> ALDEN**, b. 5 or 6 May 1755, at Stafford, Conn.,<sup>[3]</sup> d. 5 March 1822, moved with his parents to Ashfield, Mass. ca 1765, m. 18 May 1780 at Ashfield to **IRENE SMITH**, b. 4 July 1757 at Ashfield, d. 14 March 1834, daughter of Ebenezer and Remember (Ellis) Smith. Irene's father, Ashfield's first Baptist minister, married them. Irene's grandfathers, Richard Ellis and Chileab Smith, were two of the earliest settlers of Ashfield.<sup>[4]</sup> Isaac and Irene lived at Buckland, Mass. just north of her parent's home at Ashfield. Eight of their eleven children were born probably at Buckland, before Isaac sold his farm and they moved to New York after August 1793.<sup>[5]</sup> They lived at Western, Oneida County, N. Y. until 1802, when they moved to Williamstown, Oneida (now Oswego) County, N. Y. They had three more children while they lived at Western. Isaac built several sawmills, was a commissioner of schools, Justice of the Peace for Oneida County, a town supervisor, and a sealer of weights and measures. He was captured and imprisoned by the British ca 1811. He did not return to his family until ca 1821 and probably died shortly after his return. Irene lived with her son, Richard Alden, at Camden, N. Y. and Warren County, Pa.; she may have lived for a while ca 1830-1833 with some of her children in La.<sup>[6]</sup> Children of Isaac and Irene (Smith) Alden, b. at Buckland, Mass. and Western, N. Y.: 1. **PHILANDER<sup>7</sup> ALDEN**, b. 1782; 2. **PHILOMELA ALDEN**, b. 1783; 3. **JOSHUA SMITH ALDEN**, b. 1785; 4. **PLINY ALDEN**, b. 1787; 5. **ISAAC ALDEN, JR.**, b. 1789; 6. **FANNY ALDEN**, b. 1791, d. 1791; 7. **JACOB ALDEN**, b. 1792, d. 1792; 8. **HIRAM ALDEN**, b. 1792; 9. **RICHARD ALDEN**, b. 1795; 10. **ENOCH ALDEN**, b. 1797; 11. **PHILO ALDEN**, b. 1800.

Six of these children lived in northwest Louisiana and at least four of them died there.

### PHILOMELA (ALDEN) RATHBUN

2. **PHILOMELA<sup>7</sup> ALDEN**, the second child and only surviving daughter of Isaac and Irene, b. 10 Dec. 1783, probably at Buckland, Mass., may have d. June or July 1861 at Dallas, Madison Parish, La., m. 22 Aug. 1802 at Camden, N. Y. to **DR. JOEL RATHBUN**, b. 20 Aug. 1779, probably at Colchester, Conn., d. 23 Aug. 1820 at Camden, N. Y., son of Benjamin and Huldah (Williams) Rathbone.<sup>[7]</sup>

Philomela was living at Minden, La. with her daughter, Philomela, on 3 Oct. 1850,<sup>[8]</sup> ten days before the younger Philomela married Saunders P. Day of Minden. Philomela returned to N. Y. in the summer of 1860 to visit two of her sons. This may explain why she was not counted in the

1860 U. S. census. By 1860 her youngest son, Joel, a planter, was at Big Mound Plantation, Dallas, Madison Parish, La. Philomela may have died there in 1861.<sup>[9]</sup> Children of Joel and Philomela (Alden) Rathbun, all b. at Camden, N. Y.: i. LEVANT<sup>8</sup> RATHBUN, b. ca 1803; ii. SELDEN RATHBUN, b. ca 1806; iii. ALDEN RATHBUN, b. 24 Oct. 1808; iv. PHILANDER RATHBUN, b. ca 1810; v. LYSANDER RATHBUN, b. ca 1813; vi. DORLISKA RATHBUN, b. ca 1815; vii. PHILOMELA RATHBUN, b. 15 Dec. 1817; viii. JOSHUA RATHBUN, b. ca 1819, d. in infancy; ix. JOEL RATHBUN, b. 1821.

Five of these children lived in Louisiana:

ii. SELDEN<sup>8</sup> RATHBUN, b. ca 1806, went south ca 1830. He may have d. in either Miss. or La. In 1840 S. Rathbone, age 30-40, was living at Orleans Parish, La.<sup>[10]</sup>

iii. PHILANDER RATHBUN, b. ca 1810, may have d. ca 1842. On 5 Dec. 1846 Benjamin Dial of Claiborne Parish sold one hundred sixty acres of "land purchased from Philander Rathbun, decd," described as the southwest quarter of a section of Township 19, Range 52.<sup>[11]</sup>

v. LYSANDER RATHBUN, b. ca 1813, d. before 19 Mar. 1863 near Salem, Miss., m. (1) before 1842 to RUTH LOWER, b. ca 1825 in N. Y., may have d. ca 1851; m. (2) 14 Mar. 1852 to MARY KING, d. before 12 Sept. 1860; m. (3) after Sept. 1860 to ANN (\_\_\_\_).<sup>[12]</sup> In 1850 Lysander, as "John Rathburn," a farmer, was living at Bossier Parish with his wife, "Mary," and two children.<sup>[13]</sup> In 1854 he was appointed postmaster at Bellevue.<sup>[14]</sup> On 12 Sept. 1860 Lysander was a widower "now housekeeper" living at Bellevue with his two youngest sons.<sup>[15]</sup> Lysander enlisted in the Confederate Army 4 Apr. 1862 at Monroe, La. as a sergeant in Co. A, Capt. Webb's Squadron La. Cavalry (Minden Rangers Co. Cavalry of Bossier). He died of pneumonia near Salem, Miss. before 19 Mar. 1863. On 9 Dec. 1865 Philo Alden, appointed earlier by the court to administrator his nephew's succession, filed a petition saying that Morris "Rathborn," a "beneficiary heir" had been "absent in the Army" when Lysander died. Philo successfully asked the court to appoint Morris in his place. On 29 Dec. 1866 Ann "Rathborn," "surviving spouse," was appointed administratrix of Lysander's succession. Children of Lysander Rathbun: 1. *Philander<sup>9</sup> Rathbun*, b. ca 1842 in N. Y., d. 6 Feb. 1865, enlisted at Camp Moore 11 Dec. 1861 in Co. A, 19<sup>th</sup> La. Inf. (Vance Guards), C. S. A. He was appointed a corporal in 1861; he reenlisted Mar. 1864 and was appointed a quartermaster sergeant. He was taken prisoner Dec. 1864 at Franklin, Tenn., imprisoned at Louisville, Ky., then transferred to Camp Chase,



Ohio, where he died from pneumonia; 2. *Morris Rathbun*, b. 1 July 1843, in N. Y., d. 14 Feb. 1889, enlisted the same day as Philander in the Vance Guards. He was wounded and on furlough for 30 days in May 1862. He reenlisted in 1864 at Dalton, Ga., was sick on furlough and "absent without leave" after 26 Mar. 1865; 3. *Frank Rathbun*, b. ca 1853 in La.<sup>[16]</sup>

vi. DORLISKA RATHBUN, b. ca 1815, d. 23 Jan. 1887 at New Orleans, La. m. ca 1837 to LUTHER E. PRATT, b. ca. 1815 or 1817, probably at Hollis or Hebron, N.H., may have d. before June 1859, son of David and Elizabeth (Spaulding) Pratt.<sup>[17]</sup> In 1840 Luther was in commerce. They were living next to her uncle, Philo Alden, in Claiborne Parish. On 30 Sept. 1850 Luther, a merchant, and "Delesca" were still in Claiborne Parish. In 1851 Luther E. Pratt applied to the U. S. Land Office for one hundred sixty acres of Section 32, Township 19N, Range 9W. On 3 June 1859 the land office refunded the money.<sup>[18]</sup> On 11 July 1860 D. R. Pratt, a teacher and the head of her household, was living at Minden, Ward 4, Claiborne Parish, with her seven living children. Children of Luther E. and Dorliska (Rathbun) Pratt, first seven b. at Overton, La.: 1. *Edward E.<sup>9</sup> Pratt*, b. ca 1838; 2. *Frances Almedia Pratt*, b. ca 1840; 3. *Clarence Pratt*, b. ca 1842; 4. *Daniel Webster Pratt*, b. 19 June 1845; 5. *William C. Pratt*, b. 1848, d. 1850; 6. *Helen O. Pratt*, b. 1850; 7. *Laura Belle Pratt*, b. 14 Feb. 1852; 8. *Alice Pratt*, b. 4 June 1854 at Homer, La.<sup>[19]</sup>

vii. PHILOMELA RATHBUN, b. 15 Dec. 1817, d. after 1903, m. 13 Oct. 1850 at Minden, La. to SAUNDERS PERFECT DAY, b. ca 1801 in Ky.<sup>[20]</sup> In 1848 he kept a "little tavern" at Athens, La. just north of Minden. On 2 Oct. 1850, "Sanders" P. Day was an innkeeper at Minden. On 18 July 1860 S. P. Day, a hotelkeeper, and his wife, "Philema," were living at Shreveport.<sup>[21]</sup> Saunders Perfect Day of Claiborne Parish purchased, as a patentee, on 1 Oct. 1852 forty acres of Section 35, Township 19N, Range 9W. On 1 April 1859 he purchased three parcels of land totaling one hundred twenty acres, part of Sections 29, 30 and 32 in Township 17N, Range 9W. In 1880 "Sanders," a postmaster, and "Philo" Day were living in Navarro County, Tex.<sup>[22]</sup>

xi. JOEL RATHBUN, b. 1821, d. ca 1879 at Poplar Grove, Ark., m. before 1853 to FRANCES (\_\_\_\_), b. ca 1832 in Miss. In 1850 Joel, a merchant, was unmarried and living in Madison Parish, La. By 19 July 1860 Joel had a wife and probably three children; he was a planter at Big Mound Plantation, Madison Parish. His real estate value was \$65,000. This may be where his mother died in 1861, although she was not with him in June 1860 when the U. S. census was taken. In 1865 Joel



“Rathburn” of Madison Parish paid a Civil War Tax of \$26.75. Sometime between 1865 and 1870 they moved to Carroll Parish, La. On 16 July 1870 Joel, and his wife, Frances, were living near Oak Grove, La. with five of their children. Children of Joel and Frances (\_\_\_\_) Rathbun, all b. in La.:<sup>[23]</sup> 1. *Katherine<sup>9</sup> Rathbun*, b. ca 1853; 2. *George Rathbun*, b. ca 1855; 3. *Cora Rathbun*, b. ca 1857; 4. *Caroline Rathbun*, b. ca 1861; 5. *Mary Rathbun*, b. ca 1864; 6. *Charles Rathbun*, b. ca 1865

#### JOSHUA ALDEN

**3. JOSHUA SMITH<sup>7</sup> ALDEN**, b. 10 June 1785, probably at Buckland, Mass., third child of Isaac and Irene (Smith) Alden, may have d. Nov. 1846 at Bristol, Ind., m. 15 Nov. 1827 at Ashville, Chautauqua County, N. Y. to **LOVISA/ LOUISA FLETCHER**. They moved to Claiborne Parish, La. from Ashville, Chautauqua County, N. Y. sometime after the sale of their property in Sept. 1835 and before the birth of their daughter, Lucy Ann, in 1837. In 1840 they were living at Claiborne Parish, La.

Children of Joshua and Louisa (Fletcher) Alden, first three b. in N. Y.:

- i. **MARY JANE<sup>8</sup> ALDEN**, b. Aug. 1828, d. July 1846 in La.
- ii. **EMMA FRANCES ALDEN**, b. 11 July 1830, d. before 6 Dec. 1910 in San Bernadino County, Calif.
- iii. **ISAAC FLETCHER ALDEN**, b. April 1832, d. July 1840 in La.
- iv. **LUCY ANN ALDEN**, b. Sept. 1837 in La., d. 1843 in La.
- v. **ELLEN CORNELIA ALDEN**, b. July 1839 in La., d. June 1840.<sup>[24]</sup>

#### ISAAC ALDEN, JR.

**5. ISAAC<sup>7</sup> ALDEN, JR.**, fifth child of Isaac and Irene (Smith) Alden, b. 19 Feb. 1789, probably at Buckland, Mass., d. before 16 June 1870 at Bienville Parish, La.,<sup>[25]</sup> m. (1) by 1818 to “Mrs. Johnson”,<sup>[26]</sup> m. (2) 27 Apr. 1834 to **SALLY HENDERSON**, b. between 1790 and 1800 in Tenn., d. 24 Aug. 1848; m. (3) 15 or 18 July 1849 to **SARAH E. ROBERTSON**, b. ca. 1804 in Va., d. after 1870. Sarah Robertson had at least two children from a previous marriage.<sup>[27]</sup>

Isaac Alden, Jr. probably was the first member of his family to remove from N. Y. to La. He may have been in northwestern La. as early as 1806 or by 1811, traveling from New Orleans up the Red River to Lake Bistineau and Bayou Dorcheat. An entry in the Alden Family Bible says, “Isaac, Jr. supposed to have died in the Army in the spring of 1808.” A later entry says, “Isaac, Jr. not dead but returned from Natchitoches June 1821.” In 1818 his cabin was one of two located “on the hunter’s trail eight miles east of Minden.”<sup>[28]</sup> In 1820 he was living in

Natchitoches Parish. In 1830 he was marshal of the Western Territory of Claiborne Parish and the census taker.<sup>[29]</sup> Isaac purchased, as a patentee, two parcels of government land in Claiborne Parish. About 1832 Isaac In 1837 he purchased 80 acres, Section 8, Township 17N, Range 9W; in 1846 he purchased 74 acres, Lot 3, Section 24, Township 17N, Range 10W.<sup>[30]</sup> In 1840 Isaac and Sarah had three young people living with them as well as three adult males. On 26 October 1850 Isaac and his wife were living in Bienville Parish with four young people and eight slaves.<sup>[31], [32]</sup>

Children of Isaac Alden:

- i. JOHN ALDEN, b. ca 1819, d. 4 June 1848.<sup>[33]</sup>
- ii. FEMALE<sup>8</sup> ALDEN.<sup>[34]</sup>
- iii. ISAAC ALDEN, b. ca 1840 in La., d. Nov. 1862 of measles at Camp Moore, a member of the Vance Guards, Co. A, 19<sup>th</sup> La. Inf., C. S. A.<sup>[35]</sup>

#### RICHARD ALDEN

**9. RICHARD<sup>7</sup> ALDEN**, b. 19 May 1795 at Western, N. Y., the ninth child of Isaac and Irene Alden, d. 2 May 1883 at Warren, Pa., m. 27 Jan. 1827 at Ashville, Chautauqua County, N. Y. to **BETSEY NEWMAN**, b. 26 Sept. 1801, possibly at Butternuts, Oswego County, N. Y., d. 11 Apr. 1894 at Warren, Pa.<sup>[36]</sup> Richard was in Louisiana for a very short time. Probably Dr. Hiram Newman, and Philander Inglesby came from Warren with Richard. Both d. in La. and were buried at Overton Cemetery.<sup>[37]</sup> Richard's wife and three children stayed in Warren County, Pa. In 1837 he was a patentee of U. S public lands in La., purchasing eighty acres of the west half of the northeast quarter of Section 8, and one hundred sixty acres of Section 9 in Township 17 N, Range 9W. His brother, Isaac, had purchased the east half of the northeast quarter of Section 8 a year earlier. In 1840 Richard was the assistant marshal of Claiborne Parish and the census taker. He was living by himself and had no slaves. He returned to Pennsylvania in time to be recorded also in the 1840 federal census there. In 1861 he was elected vice-president of a group formed to assist President Lincoln to raise troops to defend Wash. D. C. against the confederacy on which side some of his Louisiana nephews were fighting.<sup>[38]</sup>

#### ENOC ALDEN

**10. ENOC<sup>7</sup> ALDEN**, b. 9 Dec. 1797 at Western, Oneida County, N. Y., the tenth child of Isaac and Irene (Smith) Alden, d. 27 June 1833 at Claiborne Parish, La. of yellow fever, m. 18 Jan. 1819 to **MARY**

**“POLLY” WEBB**, who d. 30 June 1833 at Claiborne Parish, La. of yellow fever. Enoch and Polly moved to Louisiana with their children after 1830 and before 1833.

Children of Enoch and Mary “Polly” (Webb) Alden, first three b. in Pa.<sup>[39]</sup>

i. FEMALE<sup>8</sup> ALDEN, b. ca 1820 in Pa., may have d. young, but after the 1830 U. S. census was taken.<sup>[40]</sup>

ii. JOSHUA E. ALDEN, b. ca 1822 in Pa., d. ca 1848 at Claiborne Parish, killed when the boiler exploded in the steamboat he was operating on Lake Bistineau, m. ca 1843 to LAURELLA \_\_\_\_\_. He left two children: 1. *Enoch J. Alden*, b. ca 1844 at Claiborne Parish, d. Jan. 1880 at Red River Parish, m. (1) 24 May 1866 to widow Mary Weaver, d. ca 1868, m. (2) 10 Feb. 1871 to widow Christi Ann (Stevenson) Goodwin; 2. *Richard H. Alden*, b. 20 Mar. 1848 at Bienville Parish, d. 12 Mar. 1885, at Jackson Parish, La., buried Ebenezer Cemetery, m. (1) ca 1869 to \_\_\_\_\_ Bussey, d. 1870, m. (2) ca 1872 at Webster Parish to Judy Strain.<sup>[41]</sup>

iii. WILLIAM ALDEN, b. 1827 or 1828 in Pa., d. between 1861 and 1865, possibly in the Civil War, m. before 1852 to PERMILLA (\_\_\_\_\_) b. ca 1831 in La., probably d. before 1880. On 9 Nov. 1850 William Alden, b. ca 1828, a farmer, was living in Natchitoches Parish by himself. In 1860 William Alden, b. ca 1827, was living at Gonzales, Gonzales County, Tex. with his wife, P. J. Alden, and three children. Children of Permilla (\_\_\_\_) and William Alden: 1. *Jane Alden*, b. ca 1852 in La.; *William P. Alden*, b. ca 1854 in Tex., and *Charles Alden*, b. ca 1857, may have d. before 1870 in Tex. 4. *Martha Alden* was b. ca 1861 in Tex. By 1870 Permilla had married Joshua Stewart and was living in Bee County, Tex. with seven of his children, three of her children and three of their children.<sup>[42]</sup>

iv. FEREBY ALDEN, b. ca 1832 in Ark.<sup>[40]</sup>

#### PHILO ALDEN

**11. PHILO<sup>7</sup> ALDEN**, the eleventh child of Isaac and Irene (Smith) Alden, was b. 3 July 1800 at Western, Oneida County, N. Y., d. 6 Nov. 1866 at Bossier Parish, La., m. 15 Apr. 1827 in N. Y. to **MARGARET ELLEN RIEMER**, b. 23 July 1808 in N.Y., d. 28 or 29 July 1868 at Benton County, Ark., buried in Bethel Cemetery.<sup>[43]</sup>

Philo Alden moved with his wife and two daughters to Claiborne Parish, La. from Warren County, Pa., between 1830 and the birth of his son, George, in 1833. According to his son, George Alden, Philo moved

from Claiborne Parish to Bossier Parish in 1843 and built a sawmill on Cypress Creek near the Red River about 25 miles north of Shreveport. George recalled that they cut cypress timber “night and day... about 2000 feet of lumber in 24 hours.”<sup>[44]</sup>

In 1839 Philo executed a “slave deed” to Harrison Presnall of Minden. In 1840 Philo was in commerce and owned three slaves. In 1845 Philo was the Junior Warden of the newly chartered Masonic Lodge No. 51 at Minden; in 1854 he was Worshipful Master of Cypress Lodge No. 89 at Collingsburgh. In 1848 Philo left his family in Bossier Parish and went to look for gold in Calif. He was unsuccessful and returned to his family and his trade as a carpenter by 1852.<sup>[45]</sup> He ran unsuccessfully for sheriff in 1857. In 1859 he was elected Sheriff of Bossier Parish, a position he held until his death in 1866. He was a delegate to the state Democratic Convention in 1860 and a corporal in the Bossier Parish militia in 1861. In 1865 he was appointed by the governor to collect the war tax for Bossier County. In Sept. 1866 he was jailed with Judge Weems after he arrested “John, a freeman of color” and the judge sentenced John for stealing a horse. The Provost Marshal of the Freedman’s Bureau claimed they had no authority to arrest or sentence a Negro man. After the Bossier Parish Bar Assoc. appealed to President Johnson, both the sheriff and the judge were released from prison.<sup>[46]</sup>

In 1841 Philo purchased, as patentee, eighty acres in Section 34, Township 19N, Range 9W. In 1858 he was the assignee of warrant land in Section 28, Township 21N, 13W. In 1860 he purchased eighty acres, as patentee, and was the assignee of another eighty acres of warrant land in Section 27, Township 21N, Range 13W. In 1863 he sold three hundred twenty acres in Sections 27 and 28, Township 21N, Range 13W. He purchased other land in 1860, including two ten square acre parcels in Sections 32 and 33, Township 20, Range 11.<sup>[47]</sup>

Philo Alden died from a head wound caused when his mule, spooked by a slipping saddle, bolted and dragged him into a fence post. George R. Alden was appointed Administrator of his father’s succession.<sup>[48]</sup> On 21 Sept. 1867 Margaret Alden sold ten square acres of Section 33, ten acres of Section 32, and another portion of land, all part of Township 20, Range 11 for “\$400 cash and promissory note.” A few days earlier, her son, George, had sold three hundred and twenty-five acres of the land he had purchased in Nov. 1866. On 19 October George appointed two attorneys to act as his administrators “during his absence for the State of Louisiana.” Shortly thereafter, Margaret with four of her children and their families moved to Benton County, Ark. On 15 Oct. 1869 “by order

of the Parish Court” the Sheriff “sold at public auction, for \$30, property of the succession of Philo Alden, dec’d” the remaining ten square acres of Section 33, Township 20, Range 11 and two acres lying north of this tract.<sup>[49]</sup>

Children of Philo and Margaret (Riemer) Alden, b., except Elizabeth and Margaret, at Claiborne (later Bossier) Parish, La.:<sup>[50]</sup>

i. ELIZABETH ELLEN<sup>8</sup> ALDEN, b. 2 March 1828 in New York, d. 11 March 1855, m. before 1850 to LUCIEN BONAPARTE MALLORY, b. ca 1820 in Ky, d. 1898 at Benton County, Ark. Child of Lucien B. and Elizabeth Ellen (Alden) Mallory: 1. *Ella Moore*<sup>9</sup> Mallory, b. 2 Dec. 1852 at Bossier Parish, La.

ii. MARGARET EMELINE ALDEN, b. ca 23 June 1830 in Pa., d. 1890 at Benton County, Ark., m. (1) 1 April 1849 at Bossier Parish to JOSEPH DAVIS LONG CROWLEY/CROWLY, b. ca 1822 in La., m. (2) 1 July 1862 at Bossier Parish to her brother-in-law, LUCIEN B. MALLORY. Both Lucien and Margaret are buried in Barron Cemetery near Vaughn, Ark. On 1 Oct. 1852 Joseph D. L. Crowley purchased, as patentee, 40 acres, Section 31, Township 20N, Range 10W. On 20 Aug. 1858 he purchased, as patentee, three parcels totaling one hundred sixty acres, Sections 29, 30 and 32, Township 23N, Range 5W. Joseph D. L. Crowley was a private in Co. G, 1<sup>st</sup> Texas Heavy Artillery, C. S. A. In March 1858 Lucien Mallory purchased, as assignee, the warrant land of Green Coutins, located in the NW quarter of Section 28, Township 21N, Range 13W. In 1870 Lucien and Margaret were living in Osage, Ark. Children of Margaret Emeline (Alden) (Crowley) Mallory, all b. in La.: 1. *Spofford*<sup>9</sup> Crowley, b. 8 Dec. 1850 at Bossier Parish, La.; 2. *Robert Rinaldo Crowley*, b. 15 July 1857 at Bossier Parish; 3. *Beulah Benton Mallory*, b. 2 Feb. 1866 at Caddo Parish, La.<sup>[51]</sup>

iii. GEORGE R. ALDEN, b. 23 July 1833 at Claiborne Parish, La., d. 2 Aug. 1904, of heart disease, at Benton County, Ark., m. 10 Jan. 1866 at Bossier Parish to IRENE YOUNG, b. ca 1848 in Ala. George R. Alden enlisted at Camp Moore 11 Dec. 1861 as a private in the Vance Guards, Co. A, 19<sup>th</sup> La. Inf., C. S. A. He and Irene were buried in the plot with his mother in Bethel Cemetery. Children of George R. and Irene (Young) Alden: 1. *Mollie*<sup>9</sup> Alden, b. 23 Oct. 1866 in La.; 2. *Pauline Alden*, b. 28 Dec. 1868 in Ark.; 3. *Emeline Alden*, b. 6 Sept. 1870 in Ark.<sup>[52]</sup>

iv. RINALDO ALDEN, b. ca 23 Jan. 1836, d. 29 Dec. 1863. In 1860 he was deputy sheriff in Bellevue, Bossier Parish. He enlisted with his brother at Camp Moore, 11 Dec. 1861, as a private in the Vance Guards, Co. A, 19<sup>th</sup> La. Inf., C. S. A. He was wounded and captured at

Missionary Ridge on 25 Nov. 1863. He died of his wounds at No. 3, U. S. A. General Hospital, Chattanooga, Tenn.<sup>[53]</sup>

v. MARY JANE ALDEN, b. 4 March 1838, d. 12 April 1928 at Benton County, Ark. m. 17 Nov. 1853 at Bossier Parish to ALEXANDER MCQUEEN RODGERS, may have been b. 20 Feb. 1824 in Mecklenburg County, N. C., d. 28 May 1886 at Benton County, Ark., son of Parmenio and Rachel (Adams) Rodgers. On 27 Aug. 1860 they were living in Rocky Mount, Bossier Parish, La. He was a planter. On 1 Oct. 1860 Alexander M. and Israel Rodgers purchased, as patentees, one hundred and twenty acres of land in Section 28, Township 22, Range 11. In 1865 they paid a civil war tax of \$2.93. Alexander M. "Rodgers" served as a private in Co. B., 28<sup>th</sup> Louisiana Infantry (Grays), C. S. A. He was on the roll of prisoners of war paroled at Shreveport on 17 June 1865. They moved to Ark. in 1867; in Aug. 1870 he and Mary Jane were living in Round Prairie, Benton County, Ark.; in 1880 they were in Wallace, Benton County, Ark. Alexander was elected as a delegate to help frame the Arkansas state constitution. They were buried in Bethel Cemetery. Children of Alexander and Mary Jane (Alden) Rodgers, the first four b. in La., the others in Ark.: 1. *Margaret<sup>9</sup> "Maggie" Rodgers*, b. 30 Oct. 1854, d. 18 Nov. 1886; 2. *Parmenio Austin Rodgers*, b. 31 Aug. 1857; 3. *Roxana Beatrice Rodgers*, b. 1861; 4. *Sterling Rodgers*, b. 8 Sept. 1865; 5. *Israel "Iddie" Rodgers*, b. 1868, in Ark., d. 1886, bur. Bethel Cemetery; 6. *Dell Ellen. Rodgers*, b. 1871; 7. *Philo Alden Rodgers*, b. 13 Nov. 1873, d. 1964, bur. Decatur Cemetery; 8. *(Roland) Lanier Rodgers*, b. 29 Sept. 1879, d. 1941, bur. Bethel Cemetery.<sup>[54]</sup>

vi. IRENE ALDEN, b. 10 Aug. 1841, m. 23 Nov. 1865 at Bossier Parish to EDWARD B. FUQUA. They signed a marriage contract in which he set up a usufruct of \$10,000 in gold coins.<sup>[55]</sup>

vii. PAULINE ALDEN, b. May 1842, d. Dec. 1844.

viii. PAULINE ALDEN, b. May 1842, d. Dec. 1844; viii. PAULINE ALDEN, b. 8 April 1845, d. 2 Dec. 1888 at Benton County, Ark., m. 18 Dec. 1872 at Benton County to THOMAS KNOTT BURNS, b. 11 Apr. 1835 in Tenn., d. 23 Apr. 1879 at Benton County. They were buried in Barron Cemetery. Children of Thomas K. and Pauline (Alden) Burns, b. in Ark.: 1. *Robert<sup>9</sup> Burns*, b. 8 Sept. 1874; 2. *Edwin Earl Burns*, b. 20 Aug. 1876, d. 1946; *Thomas Knott Burns*, b. 1879<sup>[56]</sup>

ix. PHILO ALDEN, b. 26 Jan. 1848, d. 12 Sept. 1913 at Benton County, Ark., m. 7 Oct. 1875 to MARY IDA MCANDREW, b. 6 April 1856 at Lawrence County, Mo., d. 11 Oct. 1935 at Benton County, Ark., dau. of Joseph McAndrew. They were buried in Barron Cemetery. Philo went to



Barnes Medical College in St. Louis. He practiced medicine in the Osage Valley and built the Alden mill, a gristmill run by waterpower from a dam he constructed across Little Osage Creek. Children of Philo and Mary Ida (McAndrew) Alden, b. in Ark.: 1. *Philander<sup>9</sup> Alden*, b. 14 Oct. 1876, d. 9 May 1891; 2. *Melinda Ellen Alden*, b. 2 May 1878, d. 15 Mar. 1955; 3. *Rathbun Alden*, b. 25 Nov. 1880, d. 5 June 1909; 4. *Lizzie Pauline Alden*, b. 5 Aug. 1882, d. 6 Sept. 1883; 5. *Irene Alden*, b. 26 Oct. 1884, d. 4 March 1971; 6. *Perry Alden*, b. 7 July 1886, d. 29 Oct. 1960; 7. *Emeline Alden*, b. 5 March 1888, d. 24 Oct. 1986.<sup>[57]</sup>

*Editor's Note:* This work by Nancy Garvin is thoroughly documented in a most professional manner. The notes of documentation are as lengthy as the text presented here. This full text and the documentation have been placed in the Vertical File at the Genealogy Department, Broadmoor Branch, Shreve Memorial Library, Shreveport, LA and in the Bossier History Center, Bossier City, LA. Ms. Garvin may be contacted at Post Office Box 234, Ashfield, MA 01330. This segment of her work, on the Louisiana branch of the family, is part of a larger body of research on the Alden Family.

#### Query

Looking for information on the cemetery located on the northeast side of Caddo Lake overlooking the Caddo Lake Dam. It is located on the high ground between Caddo Lake and Black Bayou. This is located at the end of Dawes Road that goes from Louisiana Highway #1 around the lake to this point. This is in Section 21 Township 20 Range 15 (GPS 324249N-935451W). The area where the cemetery is located is presently covered with tree tops and limbs from timber being cut several years ago. It is impossible to get around the area to search for markers.

An article written by R. T. Douglas in 1982 referred to the cemetery as STEWART-BONHAM. It was stated that several years before there had been some vandalism and some of the graves had been broken into. Mrs. Margaret Bateman of Oil City confirms this, and stated that she went to the cemetery afterwards and remembers that some of the caskets were made of cast iron. One had a glass covering that opened at the top where a young red-headed girl could be seen. The little girl was wearing a pink dress. Mrs. Bateman stated that she thought the graves were broken into in the 1950's or early 60's and that an article was in the Shreveport paper.

Mr. Douglas located one marker, which was homemade of concrete, which was at that time broken into several pieces.

GILBERT, Robert Sidney

1882

1895

At our visit to this area, only one marker was located. It had been placed there since Mr. Douglas' article.

COPELAND, \*George Gipson

24 Aug 1859 06 Jun 1905

\*Mary INGRAM

28 Oct 1858 28 Oct 1898

Contact John Head, telephone #318/929-1701 or e-mail at jchead@cmaaccess.com



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## FOREST PARK / WHITWORTH CEMETERY

From Shreveport on Interstate #20 go west to exit #3, Greenwood exit, turn left, go south to the red light at US Highway #80, turn right, then go approx. 1.2 miles, turn left onto Elysian Fields Road and immediately turn right onto Walton's Ferry Road, then go approx. 1.2 miles. Cemetery will be on the right situated approx. 100 yards off the road on a hill with an iron fence around it. This is in Section 29 Township 17 Range 16W (GPS 322628N-940125W). The cemetery had recently been cleaned and the timber had been cut around it on the hill.

This would be one of the oldest cemeteries in Caddo Parish. From the appearance of some of the monuments, there was a lot of money spent on markers.



WHITWORTH, W. B.  
(b. Greene Co., AL)

01 Nov 1830      24 Apr 1861

WHITWORTH, Samuel  
(b. Rockingham Co., NC)

04 Sep 1786      11 Aug 1843



Samuel Whitworth marker



Margaret Whitworth marker

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WHITWORTH, Margaret DICKSON  
(w/o Samuel Whitworth)

23 Mar 1795      06 Nov 1862



ARGUS - Tomb marker

ARGUS, Wm C.      15 Jun 1822      19 Oct 1878

MARTIN, Margaret D.      27 Sep 1848      06 Jun 1926  
(w/o W. C. ARGUS)

ARGUS, Bell Howell      09 Apr 1877      06 May 1878  
(s/o Wm C. & Margaret D. Argus)

[marker base - marker broken off]      28 Dec 1868

HOWELL, Benj. E. (age 32 yrs)      23 Jun 1905



Howell markers

HOWELL, Z.      03 Oct 1833      19 Jul 1911

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(Lieut Co A 25<sup>th</sup> LA Vol Infty CSA)

WHITWORTH, #Isabella	09 Nov 1832	31 Mar 1896
(w/o Z. HOWELL) (b. Greene Co., AL)		
HOWELL, #Joseph		11 Feb 1863
#Margaret W.		05 Aug 1867
#Elizabeth A.		09 Aug 1872
#Lucy Mai		08 Jan 1878
[all five names on one stone]		

PHILLIPS, Charles C.	1845	1913
(Co D 11 La Inf CSA)		

PHILLIPS, Charles C. Jr.	01 Dec 1888	14 Jun 1953
(b. Greenwood, LA)		

PHILLIPS, Edgar S.	10 Mar 1891	16 Mar 1942
(LA Pvt 15 Service Co Sigc WW I)		

PHILLIPS, Delilah MARTIN	1850	1928
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MARTIN, J. M.	17 Aug 1846	25 Jun 1903
(Co G 3 <sup>rd</sup> LA Cav CSA)		

HOWELL, Zack C.	20 May 1864	16 Jun 1937
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HOWELL, John W.	01 Feb 1870	27 Aug 1922
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DEVERS, John	1876	04 Dec 1921
(Choyce Chamber-4625 Greenwood, LA)		

FLOURNOY, James Martin	17 Mar 1884	29 Jan 1899
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MARTIN, Georgia E.	01 Nov 1852	10 Mar 1899
(w/o J. P. FLOURNOY)		

[base with broken bottom of marker]

## Items below are outside the fence.

OLD., S. W. (age 42 yrs 6 mos 9 days)	29 Jul 1853
[this marker is supposed to have been a slave]	

[2 marker bases with no tombstone; one has a "P" inscribed in it and the other has "P" & "F" on the opposite side.]

# History of the Harrison-Harrell Cemetery

## North Caddo Parish, Louisiana

*by John Robert Harrison*

Reuben R. Harrison and James “Jim” Calvin Harrell were descendants of pioneers. Their American ancestors had migrated from Virginia to the Carolinas, and then on to Central Alabama. When Reuben and Jim reached manhood, it was only natural that they look westward, and seek better land and opportunities for their families.

In about 1845, Reuben scouted the sparsely populated area between the Red River and the Texas border, in North Caddo Parish, Louisiana. He found abundant land, cheap in price, which he thought would produce good crops and support plentiful livestock. He went back to Alabama and enthusiastically reported his findings. Reuben’s wife, Mary Ann, and a young daughter, were living near other family members in the area of Benton, Lowndes County. Jim and his wife, Frances, who was Reuben’s sister, were also interested in moving to this new area.

Shortly after Reuben’s exploratory trip, he returned with his family to cut a permanent home from the unspoiled wilderness. This was not an easy move as they had to travel on wagons, loaded with as many possessions as they could carry, over the primitive roads which allowed westerly movement. The place which Reuben selected was about three miles southeast of a small settlement called “Terrapin Neck”, the present town of Vivian. He cleared enough land to build a house and outbuildings, and to begin farming. This land was available for purchase by patent upon application to the United States government. Mary Ann’s second child, a son, soon became the first Harrison to be born on this Louisiana frontier.

Jim and Frances, and the youngest of her three children from a prior marriage, also moved and established a homestead west of Reuben’s land, nearer to the Texas border.

Unfortunately, Reuben was not able to fully accomplish his dreams of a large and prosperous farm, nor allowed time to further expand his family. In July 1847, he returned from a trip to his former home. He traveled by steamboat to Mobile, took a gulf packet to New Orleans, and then went again by steamboat up the Mississippi and Red Rivers to Monterey, which was just across the Texas line on the north end of Caddo Lake. Apparently Reuben’s farm overseer, an elderly man named Collins, was sent to meet the steamboat. Collins arrived early and whiled away his time by drinking alcohol and betting on game roosters. Both of these activities were common in Monterey which had a reputation as a wild and lawless settlement. An argument



arose between Collins and the local blacksmith regarding a cockfight. This dispute culminated in an altercation in which the blacksmith killed Collins. When Reuben arrived and learned of the events, he sought out the blacksmith to avenge the death of his overseer. The two men armed themselves with implements from the blacksmith's shop and engaged in a fight wherein both received fatal blows from the other's weapon. Thus, on July 7, 1847, Reuben Harrison became the first of his family to die in this new land.

It then became the task of Mary Ann, and Jim and Frances Harrell, to find a burial ground for Reuben's body. The place they selected was the highest spot on the virgin land which attracted Reuben to Louisiana, and on which his family made their home. Reuben and his overseer were buried, side by side, at what would later become the final resting place for many other members of the Harrison and Harrell families.

Although the cemetery originated under the duress of these unanticipated deaths, its location could not have been better selected. It is the highest hill in the area and affords an unobstructed view of miles of gently undulating land, for more than 180 degrees, to the south. Peace and quiet always prevail at this secluded spot in the piney woods.

In 1850, Mary Ann received a patent from the United States for the land which she and Reuben had made application to purchase. The 560 acres included the South one-half of Section 6, Township 21 North, Range 15 West. The burial ground was in the Northwest Quarter of Southeast Quarter of said section.

The migration of Harrisons to North Caddo Parish continued after Reuben's death. Another of Frances' bothers, Dr. John R. R. Harrison, and his wife and young son, moved near Vivian. After the death of her second husband, Frances and John's mother, Elizabeth Rives Harrison Adams, moved to reside with John's family. After the Civil War, Richard Kirkland Harrison, the last of the three brothers, with his wife and children, migrated from Alabama.

The Harrell family also grew and expanded. Jim and Frances had 6 children and 29 grandchildren. Their progeny spread throughout the area.

As family members passed on, and the cemetery grew in size, title to the surrounding land passed through Harrison descendants and their spouses. In 1851, Mary Ann married Andrew J. Hitchcock and, three years later, they sold the property to Dr. John R. R. Harrison, her former brother-in-law. Although Mary Ann no longer owned the property, she continued to live in the area until her death and the cemetery was called the "Hitchcock Cemetery".



John R. R. Harrison was one of the few physicians in North Caddo Parish for many years. He was an active practitioner and very successful in his profession. He and his wife, Narcissa, eventually owned some 3,800 acres of land east and southeast of Vivian. Many stories were told by early residents of the warm reception and friendly hospitality they enjoyed when visiting the home of "Old Doctor Harrison."

When Narcissa passed away in 1890, John laid her to rest beside their only child, Wilaby, who had died in 1861. He enclosed these two graves with an ornate iron gate and fence within the cemetery.

John remarried to Lessie T. Young in 1896, and, after he died in 1906, she inherited most of his property. Lessie remarried, the land was sold, and passed permanently from the Harrison family. After 1910, it was owned by a series of oil and gas production companies (1910-1968) and timber companies (1968-2003) until it was purchased in 2003 by the Caddo Ward II Industrial Development Corporation as part of a large land acquisition for economic development.

Over the years, the cemetery grew in size and became generally known as the Harrison-Harrell Cemetery. Its rectangular boundary was marked with a sturdy fence, 100 by 75 feet, in length. Dollie Sterling Harrell, a granddaughter of Jim and Frances, was the last person to be buried here after her death in 1979.

As with many small family graveyards, the Harrison-Harrell Cemetery fell into disrepair when burials ceased. It was sadly neglected with only periodic and incomplete maintenance. The deteriorated condition became critical after a tornadic wind swept the hillcrest and leveled most of the trees in and around the cemetery during early 2003. The fence was completely destroyed and some grave markers displaced. At the request of the Frances Rebecca Harrison Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution, and the Harrison-Harrell family descendants, the Development Corporation kindly used its heavy equipment to remove the downed trees and clear the surrounding area. Family members rebuilt the fence and returned order to the cemetery. A cemetery preservation association has now been formed to provide regular grass cutting and cleaning.

This article has been revised from one that appeared in the Louisiana Genealogical Register, Volume LI, No. 3, September, 2004, by permission from the author, John Robert Harrison. Richard Kirkland Harrison and his wife, Rebecca E. Smith, the last of the Harrison family to migrate from Alabama, were the great-great-grandparents of the writer.

## HARRISON-HARRELL CEMETERY

Take Louisiana Highway #170 East from Vivian, Louisiana for approx. two miles. Turn right on Harrison-Harrell Cemetery Road, which is a one lane unpaved road. Follow the road for approx. one mile. The cemetery is on top of a hill, with a great view overlooking the valley to the southwest. This is in Section 6 Township 21 Range 15W (GPS 325018N-935717W). The first trip to this cemetery in 2003 found a major disaster from the strong winds that had occurred a year or so earlier. Trees were down every where and underbrush and weeds had taken over the cemetery.

Judge John Robert HARRISON, a descendant of this family, who lives Monroe, Louisiana started and headed up a project to clean up the cemetery. His and other descendant's efforts have done an outstanding job. Their future plan is purchase and set a monument dedicated to all the early pioneers that are buried there and set up a fund which will provide funds to maintain the cemetery. Judge Harrison is interested in getting additional contributions for this work; anyone interested can contact him by e-mail: [jrhmonroela@msn.com](mailto:jrhmonroela@msn.com). There are numerous graves marked with pipe, brick, rocks etc. Listed below the known markers is a list of additional known burials in the cemetery. This list was made available by Judge HARRISON.

The HARRISON & HARRELL families moved to Caddo Parish in 1846 from Lowndes County, Alabama and are found listed on the 1850 Caddo Parish census.



Before cleanup



After cleanup

HARRELL, Robert Hiram	22 Sep 1849	31 Mar 1929
[concrete block with very light writing]		

HARRISON, Wilaby T. R.	31 Jul 1846	02 Oct 1861
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Wilaby Harrison grave



Wilaby Harrison marker

HARRELL, *Frances HARRISON	25 Mar 1819	02 Oct 1874
*James C.	1818	17 Mar 1876
SISCO, *Francis R.	18 Feb 1892	18 Apr 1959
*Daniel E.	22 Dec 1888	12 Feb 1922
HARRELL, Joe B.	22 Apr 1855	26 Jul 1921
HARRELL, James C.	17 Aug 1904	08 Dec 1908
(s/o S. P. & Ida Harrell)		
HARRELL, S. P.	10 Jun 1864	28 Jun 1927
HARRELL, Ida Myrtle GARDNER	07 Aug 1879	21 Mar 1948
(w/o S. P. Harrell)		
HARRELL, Dollye Sterling	03 Apr 1902	19 Dec 1979
HARRELL, H. R. "Shell"	15 Mar 1896	01 May 1936
HARTZO, Clara A. [WOW]	24 Apr 1876	08 Jan 1916
HARRISON, John R. R.	26 Mar 1824	17 Mar 1906
[John R. R. was a pioneer doctor in Caddo Parish. He practiced here for over 50 years and was known for his special work on eyes. He married Narcissus BARLOW 04 Jul		

## HARRISON-HARRELL CEMETERY

1845. They had only one son, who died during the Civil War at the age of sixteen.]



John R. R. Harrison Marker

Listed below are additional known burials in the cemetery.

HARRISON, Reuben R.	07 Jul 1847
COLLINS, Mr. (overseer)	07 Jul 1847
MEYER, Mary E.	Abt. 1848
HITCHCOCK, Mary Ann HARRISON	Bef. 1870
ADAMS, Elizabeth RIVES HARRISON	08 Jul 1873
HARRISON, Reuben R. Jr.	Jul 1877
HARRISON, Richard Kirkland	18 Apr 1878
HARRISON, Rebecca SMITH	1878-1880
WILLIAMS, Lilly HARRELL	01 Apr 1894
HARRELL, Molly WILLIAMS	18 Feb 1902
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