



THE RICE PLANTER

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Dear Members and Friends,

Did you notice something different in the beginning of this newsletter? There has been some confusion as to the correct name of our chapter. Judy has informed me (which I am thankful for Judy keeping me straight!) that we may have some legal problems along the way if we fail to correctly use our chapter's legal name. So this means that the new stationery that was voted on and approved at the meeting in May has been thrown out and another one made, keeping as much of what was voted on in but making sure the name is legal! You may think this is not such a big deal, but let us keep in mind we all gather the data on our family histories, legal issues can and often do raise their ugly heads!! I have recently found such to be the case in my own family! I have found that some of my relatives who had been abandoned by their husbands, told everyone that they were a widow and one even went so far as to remarry without benefit of a divorce! My husband has told his mother that he has married into a family of bigamists! They both laughed! Now we can all interject some humor into the situation, as William Shakespeare declared, "A rose by any other name would smell as sweet" so to would our Chapter but let us all use the same variety and stay with the legal name.

Our annual Genealogy Workshop will be August 10, 2002 from 9am until 4pm at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints located at 306 Dandridge Road in Walterboro, SC. We will need all members who can attend to bring their reference materials. This workshop is open to the general public who have an interest in genealogy. We will have membership information available for anyone interested in joining our Chapter.

From the LOW COUNTRY COURIER of Charleston, SC is an announcement of the Annual Meeting of the South Carolina Genealogical Society in Charleston on Oct. 11, 12, and 13th. I will have more information available at the Sept. meeting or you can e-mail. The agenda is listed as a tentative schedule.

The Live Oak Cemetery Book is finished and can be bought from Judy. It is selling for \$33.00 if picked up or an extra \$5.00 if mailed, should you want two copies mailed to the same address add an additional \$2.50 for postage.. She also has about 50 reprinted copies of the Cemeteries of Lower Colleton Co.

I have just looked at my desk, thought of the old saying that the sign of a true genius is a cluttered desk, and spent close to a half hour going through all the scattered papers, genealogy information that has been gathered, old family photos that are on loan with a threat of bodily injury should I lose them, (if my Mother knew I had scattered them, I would be in major trouble!) I think I have found the information for our newsletter and will begin with the Fred Parker Funeral Home obituary records. I hope you are enjoying the newsletter, as much as we are in doing it.

FRED PARKER FUNERAL HOME WALTERBORO, SC 1954 and 1955

These following deaths are copied from the original records:

JOHNNY HARRIOTT WAY

b: not listed

d: December 3, 1954 @ 12:00 midnight at Roper Hospital, Charleston, SC.

44 yo husband of Mrs. Reba Westbury Way of Monk's Corner H'way, Summerville, SC.

His occupation is listed as Line Foreman SC Electric and Gas. SS# 248-05-8278

He was born in Bamberg Co., SC

He was the son of: John H. Way. He was born in Orangeburg, SC.

Mother's maiden name: Mary L. Hutto, birthplace listed as Barnwell Co., SC.

He has been under the care of Dr. Priadeaur (appears to be) and had been sick 2 months. No cause of death listed.

Services were held at the Fred Parker Funeral Home Chapel on Saturday, Dec. 5, 1954 @ 3:00 PM with the Rev. E. S. Dunbar and the Rev. Sullivan.

Burial: U. D. C. St. George

Surviving Relatives:

Mother: Mrs. J. H. Way of Andrews, SC.

Wife: Mrs. Reba Westbury Way of Summerville, SC.

Brothers: Charles C. Way of Bamberg, SC

James L. Way of Columbia, SC

Harvey H. Way of Clay Pool, Ariz.

Sisters: Mrs. O. A. Palmer, Raleigh, NC

Mrs. L. A. Burn, Andrews, SC

Mrs. W. J. Ackerman, Andrews, SC.

Above information was given by Cecil Way.

ARTHUR REUBEN WHITE

b: July 6, 1898 in Jersey Shore, PA.

d: Sept. 3, 1954 @4:30 PM in Colleton County Hospital, Colleton Co., SC.

55 yo husband of Mrs. Bessie Coleman White of Canadays

His occupation is listed as Assistant to Dr. George Moore, Veteranian.

He was the son of Joe P. White, birthplace: PA

Mother's name: Emma White, birthplace: PA

He was under the care of Dr. G. C. Brown and had been sick 6 weeks.

Cause of death is listed as Uremia (Removal of the Right Kidney).

Funeral held at the Fred Parker Funeral Home Chapel on Sunday, Sept. 5, 1954 @ 2:00 PM with the Rev. W. C. Gregory.

Burial at Grover Cemetery.

Brother: Bert White of LA.

Sister: Mrs. Belle Krinner of Washington, DC (appears to be)

Member of Cannan Baptist Church.

Above information was given by, Mrs. A. R. White.

JACOB WITSELL WILLIAMS

b: July 13, 1896 in Colleton Co., SC

d: Dec. 2, 1954 in Walterboro, Colleton County Hospital, Township of Verdier, SC.

58 yo husband of Flora Kelly Williams of Ruffin, SC

His occupation is listed as Naval Stores Operator and farming.

He was under the care of Dr. W. M. Bennett and had been sick 10 days.

Cause of death is listed as Acute Cor Pulmonale, emphysema and bronchitis.

Father's name: The late Henry Jake Williams born in Colleton Co., SC.

Mother's maiden name: Nancy Carter born in Colleton Co., SC

Funeral held at the Ruffin Methodist Church, Ruffin, SC on Friday, Dec. 3, 1954 @ 3:00 PM with the Rev. J. C. Inabinet, Rev. Victor Hickman, Rev. W. R. Parker, and the Rev. J. R. Gennis

Burial: Live Oak Cemetery, Walterboro, SC.

Mother: Mrs. Nancy Carter Williams

Wife: Mrs. Flora Kelly Williams of Ruffin, SC.

Son: Jake Witsell Williams, Jr. Wofford College

Daughters: Mrs. Charles T. Speth, Marion, SC

Mrs. Joe P. Waters, Jr., Florence, SC

Miss Nancy Williams, Columbia, SC

Brothers: B. Meric Williams of Walterboro, SC

Duncan Williams of Denmark, SC

Clinton Williams, Herman Williams, and Kline Williams all of Ruffin, SC

Sisters: Mrs. Molly Fox of Walterboro, SC

Mrs. Robert Breland of Bamberg, SC

Mrs. Inez Maxey of Ruffin, SC.

1 grandchild.

Remarks: Veteran of WW1 and member of the American Legion, Member Board of Directors Colleton County Hospital, Assistant of Ruffin Meth. Sunday School for 30 years., a former trustee Ruffin School District # 1. He was a member of Ruffin Meth. Church serving as steward for many years, Treasurer of Beel's A. F. M. Lodge #236 and was a member of the Ruffin Eastern Star Chapter #14.

Above information was given by Mrs. J. W. Williams.

WILLIE HENRY WILLIAMS

b: May 12, 1884 in Colleton County, SC.

d: Nov. 27, 1954 @ 1:10 PM at Colleton County Hospital, City of Walterboro, Township of Verdier

70 yo husband of Mrs. Getrude Carter Frunderburk Williams of Ruffin, SC

His occupation is listed as A. C. L. agent and Farmer for 42 years.

He was under the care of Dr. W. M. Bennett having been sick 1 day. His cause of death is listed as Coronary Thrombosis.

Father's name: The late Tom Williams born in Colleton, Co., SC

Mother's maiden name: The late Alice Smoak born in Colleton, Co., SC

Funeral held at the Fred Parker Funeral Home Chapel on Monday, Nov. 29, 1954 @ 11:00 AM with the Rev. Furman B. Faunkberry, Rev. J. C. Inabinet, and the Rev. Victory Hickman.

Burial Rites will be at the Live Oak Cemetery by Ruffin Masonic Lodge #236.

Wife: Mrs. Gertrude Carter Funderburke Williams of Ruffin, SC.

Son: Dr. W. H. Williams, Jr., Athens, GA

Daughter: Mrs. Hebert R. Padgett of Charleston, SC.

Brothers: T. M. Williams of Green Pond, SC

Harold Williams of Philadelphia, PA

Ackerman Williams of Branchville, SC

Sister: Mrs. John F. Coleman of Smoaks, SC

1 Grandchild

Remarks: Former trustee of Ruffin Schools, member of Ruffin Meth. Church serving as a former steward, member of Bells A. F. M. Lodge #236 and was secretary for many years. O. E. S.

Above information was given by Mrs. W. H. Williams.

SGT. CARL WINFORD WIGGINS

b: April 1, 1930 in Colleton County, SC

d: June 3, 1954 in Germany appears to be Oattalbach

24 yo husband of Daisy Bella Stutts Wiggins of Rt. 3, Walterboro, SC.

no cause of death listed.

Father's name: Eddie Wiggins of Ashton, SC, birthplace: Colleton Co., SC

Mother's maiden name: Pearl Johnson of Cornell, NY, birthplace: Colleton Co., SC

Funeral held at the Fred Parker Funeral Home Chapel @11:00 AM on Saturday, Aug. 21, 1954 with the Rev. L. G. Cribb and the Rev. James E. Gullege.

Burial in Section D-846 in Live Oak Cemetery, Walterboro, SC
Parents: Eddie Wiggins of Ashton, SC and Mrs. Pearl Johnson Wiggins of Cornell, NY
Wife: Mrs. Daisy Belle Strutts Wiggins
Sons: Bruce Wayne Wiggins (15 months)
Carl Winford Wiggins, Jr. (6 weeks)
Half-Brothers: Robert Wiggins of Ashton, SC
David Wiggins of Cornell, NY
Half-Sisters: Ann Wiggins of Ashton, SC
Sisters: Mrs. Kenneth White of New York
Mrs. Gayle Wiggins Lyons of Walterboro, SC
Remarks: was with the 15th Engineers in the 9th Infantry Division in Nuernberg, Germany.
Above information was given by Mrs. Carl W. Wiggins.

MRS. MAMIE CARN FISHBURNE WALSH

b: Dec. 8, 1879 in Walterboro, SC.
d: May 2, 1954 @ 12:40 AM in Roper Hospital, Charleston, SC.
75 yo widow of Thomas T. Walsh of Walterboro, SC.
Her occupation is listed as Domestic.
She was under the care of Dr. Henr was the daughter of William J. Fishburne born in
Walterboro, SC
Mother's maiden name: Mary Carn born in Walterboro, SC.
Funeral was held on Monday, May 3, 1954 @ 5:30 PM in St. Jude's Episcopal Church with the
Rev. Jim Bodley and the Rev. Llewellyn B. Catlise.
Burial in Live Oak Cemetery in Walterboro, SC.
Sons: Rev. Tracy Fishburne Walsh of Cecilton, MD.
Dr. Joseph Norman Walsh of Monks Corner, SC
Dr. Merrick Kershaw Walsh of Columbia, SC.
Daughters: Mrs. Edward S. Bullock of Mt. Pleasant, SC.
Brothers: Dr. W. K. Fishburne of Pinopolis
Judge E. L. Fishburne and Irving M. Fishburne both of Walterboro, SC.
Above information given by: I. M. Fishburne.

SGT. BALLARD C. VAUGHN

b: Sept. 5, 1928 in Fredericksburg, Virginia, Grayson County
d: November 7, 1954 @ 4:30 AM Colleton County Hospital in Walterboro, SC. from multiple
injuries sustained in an auto accident. He was under the care of Dr. W. E. Fender, Jr. on arrival
to the hospital.
His occupation is listed as Recruiting Service of the United States Air Force
He was single.
Father's name: Ballard Clinton Vaughn birthplace not listed.
Mother's maiden name: Mollie Smith birthplace not listed.

Parents address is listed as Rt. 1 Box 148 Fredericksburg, VA.
Place of burial Galax, Virginia.
Felts Memorial Cemetery. Funeral was held Nov. 12, 1954.
Brother: William W. Vaughn
Unknown who gave above information.

WILEY OSBORN THOMPSON

b: Oct. 18, 1882 in Bamberg Co., SC
d: July 5, 1954 @ 5:10 AM in the Colleton County, Hospital, Walterboro, SC.
71 yo husband of Maggie Linder Kinsey Thompson of Ruffin, SC.
His occupation is listed as Farming.
He was under the care of Dr. W. M. Bennett and had been sick about 2 weeks, cause of death listed as a strangulated hernia.
Father's name: John I. Thompson birthplace listed as Bamberg Co., SC
Mother's maiden name: Mary Myers birthplace listed as Bamberg Co., SC
Funeral Services were held at Little Swamp Methodist Church on Tuesday, July 6, 1954 @ 11:00 AM with the Rev. E. C. Hageman and the Rev. Felix Heade. Burial in the Little Swamp Methodist Church Cemetery with Masonic Service at grave side.
Stepson: F. M. Kinsey of Smoaks, SC
Stepdaughters: Mrs. Bill Linder of Smoaks, SC
Mrs. Mary Kinsey of Ruffin, SC.
10 Step Grandchildren
11 Step great-grandchildren
Several Nieces and Nephews.
Member of Carter Ford Baptist Church. Masonic Lodge #122, Lodge, SC and member of the Eastern Star Hope Chapter #165.
Above information was given by: F. M. Kinsey, Stepson of Smoaks, SC.

JUDGE EDGAR FRANCISCO SMITH

b: Oct. 9, 1879 in Colleton County, SC
d: August 31, 1955 @ 7:50 AM in Colleton County Hospital in Walterboro, SC
75 yo single male of 348 N. Jefferies Blvd. Walterboro, SC
He was under the care of Dr. Marshall Bennett and had been sick several days. Cause of death listed as Acute Coronary Thrombosis.
Father's name: the late English Smith birthplace listed as Colleton, Co., SC
Mother's maiden name: the late Jane Padgett birthplace listed as Colleton Co., SC
His occupation is listed as a retired package shop.
Funeral on Thursday Sept. 1, 1955 @ 4:00 PM at the Fred Parker Funeral Home Chapel in Walterboro, SC.
with the Rev. J. C. Inabinett.
Burial with Masonic Rites in the Live Oak Cemetery in Walterboro, SC.

Number of Nieces and Nephews.

Remarks: Mr. Smith was a 50 yr. Mason. He was clerk of draft board during WW I. Was Magistrate of Verdier Township for a number of years. For a number of years he resided at Bunnell, Florida and operated a lumber business.

GEORGE WILLIAM SUMPTER

b: Jan. 26, 1893 in Treuton, MO.

d: Aug. 1, 1955 @ 11:40 PM at the Colleton County Hospital in Walterboro, SC.

62 yo husband of Mrs. Mammie Farmer Livingston Sumter 214 Lucas St. City of Walterboro, Township of Verdier, SC.

No cause of death listed. He was under the care of Dr. R. Ackerman, Jr. and had been sick 5 months.

His occupation is listed as retired Engineer Chicago Great Western, out of St. Paul, Minn.

Father's name: Christopher Richard Sumpter birthplace listed as Blackford County, Ind.

Mother's maiden name: Emma Jane Hillary birthplace listed as Marsh alton, Iowa

Funeral Services held on Wed., August 3, 1955 at the Fred Parker Funeral Home Chapel in Walterboro, SC with the Rev. Thomas R. Kemmerlin.

Burial in Live Oak Cemetery, Walterboro, SC.

Son: Robert William Sumpter of Los Angeles, California

Brother: Charles Sumter of Omaha, Nebraska

Sisters: Mrs. W. E. Christian of High Point

Mrs. James Haines of De Moines

Mrs. Jake Miller of St. Paul, Min

Mrs. Airy Robertson of Still Water

Mrs. Orral Gutzman of Los Angeles

Mrs. Bill Medina of Still Water

Remarks: Veteran of WW I and was a Methodist. He was a member of the American Legion.

Above information given by Mrs. G. W. Sumpter

MRS. GATTIE BRELAND SANDERS

b: Oct. 27, 1882 in Colleton County, SC

d: July 27, 1955 @ 10:00 AM at her home in Savannah, GA.

She was the 72 yo widow of Milford J. Sanders. Her occupation listed as Domestic.

Father's name: M. W. Breland birthplace listed as Colleton County, SC

Mother's maiden name: Rebecca Varn birthplace listed as Colleton County, SC

She was under the care of Dr. T. A. Peterson of 11 W. Jones ST. Savannah, GA and she died suddenly. No cause of death is listed.

Funeral Services held on Thursday, July 28, 1955 @ 3:30 PM in the Doctors Creek Baptist Church with the Rev. William F. Crowe.

Burial in the Doctors Creek Baptist Church Cemetery.

Sons: M. J. Sanders, Jr. of Savannah, GA

Decanie Eugene Sanders of Columbia, SC
Daughters: Miss Sarah Sanders of Savannah, GA
Mrs. Glenn Ritter of Rt. 1 Walterboro, SC

Brothers:

W. H. Breland of Ruffin, SC
M. H. Breland and Stetson Breland both of Walterboro, SC.

Sisters:

Mrs. Martha Smith and Mrs. L. A. Powell both of Savannah, GA
Mrs. Joe Connelly of Ruffin, SC
Mrs. Susie B. O'Neal of Fairfax, SC
Mrs. Wilma B. Adams and Miss Minnie Lee Breland both of Walterboro, SC
Mrs. Berkeley Breland of Hendersonville, SC

6 Grandchildren

number of nieces and nephews.

Remarks: Mrs. Sanders had been living with her daughter, Miss Sarah Sanders in Savannah, Ga for the past 10 years.

She was a member of the Drs. Creek Baptist Church.

MRS. NORA VARNADOE WOODS VINCENT

b. March 12, 1879 in Colleton Co., SC.

d. May 5, 1955 (Wed. Night) at Old Roper Hospital in Charleston, SC.

73 yo widow (no husband's name listed or occupation).

She was the daughter of the late Mr. & Mrs. Charles Varnadoe of Colleton Co., SC. The mother's maiden name is listed as Davis.

She was under the care of Dr. P.H. Furman and had been ill for two months. No cause of death is listed.

Funeral services held on Friday, May 6, 1955 at the Fred Parker Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. T.W. Smallwood.

Burial at Peniel Methodist Church Cemetery, grave location: Blanchard Robertson.

Son: C.O. Woods of Columbia, SC.

Nephew: Charles Smith of Savannah, GA.

Nieces: Mrs. Mary Dodd of Savannah, GA.

Miss. Lucia Smith of Savannah, GA.

Mrs. Nora Futch of Augusta, GA.

She was an Episcopalian.

The following is showing up in several websites and newsletter devoted to genealogy. This is , after all what we do-we tell the story.

The Story Tellers

We are the chosen. My feelings are 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 on 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 you would be proud of us?

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

It goes beyond documenting facts. It goes to seeing a cemetery about to be lost forever to weeds and indifference and saying 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 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 use. So, as a scribe called,

I tell the story of my family. It is up to that one called in the next generation to answer the call and take their place in the long line of family storytellers.

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

(Unknown Author)

Tidbits

Have you ever wondered about what the Nursery Rhyme “Ring Around the Rosey” was written to describe? It was written about a Plague. Infected people with the plague would get red circular sores (“Ring around the Rosey”), these sores would smell very bad, so the common folk would put flowers on their bodies somewhere conspicuously, so that it would cover the smell of the sores (“a pocket full of posies”). Furthermore, people who died from the plague would be burned so as to reduce the possible spread of the disease (“ashes, ashes, we all fall down”).

I do not know the author. It was circulated on the AL Cemeteries list from Rootsweb.

Census News

From the Davis-L@Rootsweb: These Census are missing from the U.S. Archives files; They were never microfilmed—being lost, misplaced, burned . . .

1790...Missing Federal Census Schedules:

Delaware...all

Georgia...all

Kentucky...all

Maryland...Alleghany, Calvert, Somerset Counties

New Jersey...all

North Carolina...Caswell, Granville and Orange Counties.

Tennessee...all

Virginia...all

The printed volume of schedules is made up of state tax lists, not census.

1800...Missing Federal Census Schedules:

Georgia...all
Indiana territory...all
Kentucky...all
Maine...part of York County.
Maryland...Baltimore County, outside the city of Baltimore.
Massachusetts...part of Suffolk County.
Mississippi Territory...all
New Hampshire...parts of Rockingham and Swafford Counties.
New Jersey...all
Northwest Territory Ohio River...all
Pennsylvania...parts of Westmoreland County.
South Carolina...Richland County.
Tennessee...all
Virginia...all

1810...Missing Federal Census Schedules:

District of Columbia...all
Georgia...all
Illinois Territory...all except Randolph County
Indiana Territory...all
Louisiana...all
Maine...part of Oxford County
Michigan...all
Mississippi...all
New Jersey...all
New York...Cortland and part of Broome County
North Carolina...Craven, Green, New Hanover and Wale Co.
Ohio...all
Pennsylvania...parts of Bedford, Philadelphia, and Cumberland Co.
Tennessee...all except Rutherford Co.
Virginia...Cabell, Grayson, Greenbriar, Halifax, Hardy, Henry, James, King William, Lee,
Louisa, Mecklenburg, Nansemond, Northampton, Orange, Patrick, Pittsylvania, Russell,
Tazewell.

1820...Missing Federal Census Schedules

Alabama...all

Arkansas Territory...all

Georgia...Franklin, Rabun, Twiggs

Indiana...Daviess

Maine...parts of Penobscot, Washington

Missouri...all

New Hampshire...Grafton, and parts of Rockingham and Strafford

New Jersey...all

North Carolina...Currituck, Franklin, Montgomery, Randolph, Wake.

Ohio...Franklin & Wood

Pennsylvania...parts of Lancaster and Luzerne

Tennessee...Anderson, Bledsoe, Blount, Campbell, Carter, Clairborne, Cocke, Grainger, Greene,
Hawkins, Hamilton, Jefferson, Knox, McMinn, Marion, Monroe, Rhea, Roane, Sevier

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Monthly meetings are now being held on the second Sunday afternoon of each month at 3 PM at 109 Hiers Street in Walterboro (off Jefferies Blvd.) Beginning with the September meeting. Our monthly meetings will be every month except July and August. Dues are \$12.00 for an individual membership, \$18.00 for family membership (2 at the same address) and \$8.00 associate membership. Dues should be mailed to Judy Ballard, Treasurer, 104 Wade Hampton Avenue, Walterboro, SC 29488-9261.

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