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# CCGS Member Family History: Beverly Latham Lenoir

**Beverly Latham Lenoir** was born in Tyler, Texas on August 18, 1950 and grew up there. She lived in Killeen, Texas from 1972 to 1980 and in Abilene, Texas from 1980 to 2010. In 2010, she and her husband moved to Wylie, Texas, in Collin County. She is a fifth generation Texan and through each of her eight great-grandparent surnames, she is the fifth generation to live at least part of their lives in Collin County (sixth in three lines). Her daughter, Erin Lenoir Morales and granddaughters Evalina and Elena, are sixth and seventh generations to have lived part of their lives in Collin County. Beverly's parents, Sid Latham Jr. and Charlene Rike, were born and grew up in Farmersville, Texas, and her four grandparents, Sid Latham Sr. and Halla V Terry, and Charles J. Rike and Thelma Frazier, were all born and lived their lives in Collin County.

Those great-grandparent surnames are:

**Copeland** – Ellen Elvira (Bird) Copeland was born in Celeste, Hunt Co, TX, but the 1900 census for Collin Co, TX, Precinct 8, District 23, showed Ellen as a 16 year-old child of James C. Copeland, born in Georgia, and Fannie S. Young, born in Texas.

**Frazier** – John Jackson Frazier was born to Charles Frazier and Mary J. Guinn in 1877 in Callis, Collin Co, TX. John's parents are buried in Blue Ridge, Collin Co, TX, and Mary Jane's parents, Charles Guinn and Elizabeth Husbands, are also buried in Blue Ridge.

**Latham** – Leroy Latham was born in Tennessee to Moses Latham and Lovina Gibson in 1870, but Leroy and Aurora Smith married in 1893 in Collin Co, TX. In addition, the 1910 census for Collin Co showed Leroy's mother living with them, and Leroy's father Moses and grandfather John Nathaniel are both buried in Farmersville, Collin Co, TX.

**Manning** – Bettie Manning Frazier was born to Wiley Manning and Bettie Atkinson in 1879 in Pike, Collin Co, TX.

**Odom** – Orela Blanche Odom was born in Albany, GA, but her father, G.W. Odom, was shown in the 1880 census in Collin Co, Precinct 2 and was teaching school. Orela Blanche moved to Collin Co and married George W. Rike in 1885.

**Rike** – George William Rike was born to Robert A. Rike and Maria Seitz in 1857 in Farmersville, Collin Co, TX.

**Smith** – Aurora Smith was born in Alabama, but she and Leroy Latham married in 1893 in Collin Co, TX. Her mother, Sarah Margaret Gilbert, is buried in Farmersville, Collin Co, TX.

**Terry** – Robert Brown Terry was born in Tennessee in 1880, but the 1900 census for Collin Co, TX, Precinct 8, District 24, showed that the family had moved to Texas, with Robert Brown still living at home with parents Thomas W. Terry and Eliza Jane White.

# Deep and Wide Roots in Collin County



Beverly Ann Latham Lenoir was born in Tyler, Smith Co, Texas, on August 18, 1950. In 2010, she and her husband, Kenneth Lenoir, moved to Wylie, Collin Co, Texas. During the pandemic stay-at-home weeks of 2020, she compiled the factual information about her eight great-grandparents, initially for her own daughters and grandchildren, into one document for each of the four couples. She realized that she was the fifth generation (sixth in a couple of lines) of all eight of her great-grandparent lines to live at least part of their lives in Collin County, Texas! At that point, she decided this family information

might be interesting to a wider audience in Collin County. Beverly has been a member of Collin County Genealogical Society since 2015 and has served as Recording Secretary and Vice President for Programs in CCGS.



Beverly's parents were Thelma Charlene Rike, born 8 Apr 1928 in Farmersville, Collin Co, TX, and died 2 Feb 2007 in Ben Wheeler, Van Zandt Co, TX; and Sid Latham, Jr., born 13 Jul 1926 in Farmersville, Collin Co, TX, and died 4 Dec 2010 in Longview, Gregg Co, TX. They married on 6 Apr 1947 in Farmersville, TX. They lived much of their adult lives in Tyler, Smith Co, TX.





Charlene Rike's parents were Charles Jesse Rike, born 15 Nov 1896 in Farmersville, Collin Co, TX, and died 18 Feb 1978 in McKinney, Collin Co, TX; and Sula Thelma Frazier, born 2 Sep 1901 in Pike, Collin Co, TX, and died 15 Jul 1987 in Ft. Worth, Tarrant Co, TX. They married on 25 Dec 1924 in Collin Co, TX. Charles J. Rike's parents were George William Rike and Orela Blanche Odom. Thelma Frazier's parents were John Jackson Frazier and Bettie Manning.

Sid Latham Jr's parents were Sid Latham, born 22 Jul 1899 in Collin Co, TX, and died 10 Jul 1981 in Farmersville, Collin Co, TX; and Halla V Terry, born 25 Mar 1905 in Blue Ridge, Collin Co, TX, and died 9 Aug 1974 in McKinney, Collin Co, TX. They married in 1922 in Collin Co, TX. Sid Latham Sr's parents were LeRoy Latham and Aurora Smith. Halla V Terry's parents were Robert Brown Terry and Ellen Elvira (Bird) Copeland.



Beverly Lenoir's great-grandparents – Rike, Odom, Frazier, Manning, Latham, Smith, Terry, and Copeland are discussed in detail in the following articles, along with her two sets of grandparents – Latham, Terry, Rike and Frazier. Only factual information from census data, birth and death certificates, draft registrations, etc. are included, for the most part. However, family pictures are included that should make the reading more interesting!

#### Sid William Latham and Halla V Terry Latham

Grandparents of Beverly Latham Lenoir

#### Sid Latham

b. 22 Jul 1899, Collin Co, TX

d 10 Jul 1981, Farmersville, Collin Co, TX

m. Halla V Terry, 30 Sep 1922, Collin Co, TX



Sid first appeared in the 1900 census (Collin Co, TX, Precinct 2, District 7) which showed his parents Leroy and Aurora with two little boys – Clyde, 3, born April 1897 and Sid(ney), 10 months, born July 1899 in Texas. Moses and Lovena Latham, Leroy's parents, lived with them. Leroy was born in TN, and Aurora was born in AL.



The 1910 census (Farmersville, Collin Co, TX District 11) showed Sid Wm., age 10, along with one older brother Clyde and younger brothers Silbie, Chester, and Roy E(lliot), and one sister, Lillian L(ovena). Lovena A. Latham, the children's grandmother, 75, born in KY, also lived with them. Clyde and Sid were listed as farmers – Sid at age 10!

Sid had another younger brother in the 1920 census (Collin Co, TX, Precinct 2, District 14): Jimmie, 7; Sid, 20, and two brothers were all listed as laborers on a home farm. Sid earned wages and was able to read and write. Lovena was no longer listed in the household.

By the time of the 1930 census (Collin Co, TX, Precinct 2, District 43-

12), Sid had married Halla V (she was 17 when they married) and they had two children: Billie F(rances), 5 years and 6 months, and Sid Jr., 3 years and 8 months. The family lived on Maple Street in Farmersville and Sid was the proprietor of a café.



In 1940, the census (Collin Co, TX, Precinct 43-15) showed that Sid was 40 and had completed 8<sup>th</sup> grade. The previous week, he had worked 50 hours. He was employed as a service man at the ice plant. He worked 52 weeks in 1939 and his income was \$1,080. Halla V was 35 and had finished 3 years of high school. The three oldest children were in school: Billie, 15, had finished 3 years of high school; Sid Jr., 13, had finished 8<sup>th</sup> grade, and Carolyn, 6, had finished 1<sup>st</sup> grade. Terry, the youngest boy, was 1.

The Collin County Marriage Index shows that Sid Latham and Halla V Terry married in 1922 in Collin County, Texas, and the Texas Select County Marriage Records, 1837-2015, indicated a marriage date of 1922.

However, their gravestone shows their marriage date as September 30, 1922. Sid's WWI draft registration was dated 12 September 1918 when he was 19. His occupation was farmer and his nearest relative was L.R. Latham. There was a mark where his middle name would have been, and it indicated he was white, native born, of medium height, with slender build, grey eyes, and light hair. His WWII draft registration showed no



of Farmersville as the person who would always know his address. He was employed by Taken December 24, 1950, this picture

middle name, age 42, telephone number 379, with Mrs. Halla V Latham

shows Sid Latham Jr. holding daughter Beverly Latham, Sid Sr. in the middle, and LeRoy Latham on the right. was employed by Community Public Service on S. Washington in Farmersville.

Sid's death certificate listed his birth as 7-22-1899 in Texas and his death on 7-10-1981 at Hinton Nursing Home in Farmersville. He was widowed, was not in the armed forces, and retired from the Ice Company. His parents were LeRoy Latham and Aurora Smith. He died of respiratory failure and cardiac arrest due to arteriosclerosis, generalized. He was buried on 7-12-1981 in the IOOF Cemetery in Farmersville, and the funeral home used was Fielder-Baker of Farmersville with J.R. Bratcher as director. The doctor who signed was Jack L. Webb, M.D., and Sid Latham, Jr. provided the information on the death certificate. [Note by Sid's granddaughter Beverly Latham Lenoir: some of the handwriting on the death certificate belonged to Charlene Latham, wife of Sid Jr. and mother of Beverly Lenoir].



The first 7 granddaughters: *Back, left to right:* Dianne Dyer, Jennifer Alexander in Beverly Latham's lap, Linda Latham, Terry Jean Dyer in front of Linda. *Front:* Betsy Alexander, Gretchen Alexander.



An obituary in the Tyler Morning Telegraph on July 11, 1981 indicated that Sid Latham was survived by 2 sons, 2 daughters, one sister Lillian Whitaker of Austin, and one brother Elliott of Greenville, 8 granddaughters, and 5 greatgrandchildren. He was a member of First Baptist Church of Farmersville.

Left to right: Sid and Halla V Latham, Halla V's sister Natalie Terry and daughter Carolyn (both standing) and (seated) Halla V's mother Bird Terry, granddaughter Dianne Dyer, and son Terry. Halla V's death certificate said that she lived at 502 Maple St, Farmersville, Collin County,

Memorial Hospital after one day there.

Texas. She died at Collin

#### Halla V Terry Latham

- b. 25 Mar 1905, Blue Ridge, Collin Co, TX
- d. 9 Aug 1974, McKinney, Collin Co, TX

Halla V's parents were Robert Brown Terry and Ellen Elvira (Bird) Copeland. She was the older of two daughters. The 1910 census (Texas, Collin County, Justice Precinct 8, District 30) listed Halla V as a five-year old, and her sister Nattie (Natalie) is 3/12. Both were born in Texas. Father R.B. was born in Tennessee and mother Bird was born in Texas. In the 1920 census, Halla V was 14 and Nat was 10. At the time of the 1930 census, she was 25.



A young Halla V with first child, Billie Frances. c1925

4 generation picture: Sid Latham Jr. holding Beverly Latham, Halla V Terry Latham, Ellen (Bird) Copeland Terry



Halla V as a cute baby

She was a housewife, in the domestic industry. Born March 25, 1905, she died August 9, 1974. Her father was Robert Brown Terry and her mother was Ellen E. Copeland. She died from a cerebral vascular accident and respiratory failure. The death certificate was signed by Sid Latham Jr. The doctor was Jack Webb, M.D. of 106 Johnson St., Farmersville. She was buried in the IOOF Cemetery in Farmersville. The funeral home was Fielder-Baker and the director was B. C. Fielder. [The cause of death was written in Charlene Latham's handwriting.]



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The four children of Sid and Halla V Latham: (standing) Sid Jr., seated are Billie, holding Terry, and Carolyn *c1940* 

Gene and Billie Latham Dyer, Terry Latham, Don and Carolyn Alexander, and Sid and Charlene Latham. They were together on the occasion of Sid Latham Jr.'s retirement from the Texas Highway Department.





Per Paul R. Culwell, Born 1923:

*Back row:* Wife and Paul A., Audie Green (AG) Culwell, Jimmie Vera Copeland Culwell, Sadie Irene, ?, Hoyt, Lela Hattie, Natalie Terry, Monnie Lloyd, Ellen (Byrd) and Brown Terry, James D. Culwell

*Second row:* ?, Edger Davis, Wilma Copeland Cathey, Sarah Francis, James Calloway, ?, Roberta Copeland Davis holding ?, ? holding ?, Halla V and Sid Latham, Douglas Carlyle Culwell,

*Front row:* Sid Latham, Billie Frances Latham, Bill Davis, Paul R. Culwell



Halla V Terry Latham, in her 60s

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# Charles Jesse Rike and Thelma Frazier Rike

Grandparents of Beverly Latham Lenoir

Charles Jesse Rike

b. 15 Nov 1896, Farmersville, Collin Co, TX

d. 18 Feb 1978, McKinney, Collin Co, TX

m. Sula Thelma Frazier, Collin Co, TX

Charlie first appeared in the 1900 census (Farmersville, Collin Co, TX, District 10) which showed his parents George, 42 and born in Texas, and Orela B., 34 and born in Georgia, with four sons – Zeb, 14; George C., 12; Maurice O., 8; and Charles J., 3, all born in Texas. Sallie, George's sister, was 27, single, and a seamstress and lived with them. George C. and Zeb were in school, but even Charles was listed as able to read, write, and speak English. George was a druggist. His parents were born in North Carolina.



The 1910 census (Farmersville, Collin Co, TX District 13) showed George as a retail merchant in the drug industry. He owned their home (free) and lived in a house rather than on a farm. Maurice O., 18, and Charles, 13, were still at home.

The Rike family lived on Bois d'Arc St. in the 1920 census (Farmersville, Collin Co, TX, District 15). Only Charles was still at home and was listed as an assistant at the Post Office. George was the proprietor of a drug store.





By the time of the 1930 census (Collin Co, TX, Precinct 2, District 12), Charley, now 33, had married Thelma, 28, and they lived on Hill St. Charley was a salesman at a drug store and earned a wage. Their daughter, Charlene, was 1 11/12.



In 1940, the census (Collin Co, TX, Precinct 43-18) showed that Charlie, 44, and Thelma, 40, lived in the same house as in 1935. Charlie had completed a fourth year in college, was a pharmacist at Rike Drug Store, and was an employer who worked 52 weeks in 1939. His income was \$1200, and he had income from other sources. Daughter Charlene was 12 and had completed 6<sup>th</sup> grade, Zeb was 3, and Betty Blanche was 10/12.

The Collin County Marriage Index shows Chas. J. Rike and Thelma Frazier married in 1924. Their marriage license showed the date as December 25, 1924.



Charlie's WWI draft registration was dated June 5, 1918. It listed Chas. Jesse Rike as a native of the U.S., with gray eyes and brown hair, and his father's birthplace was Farmersville, Texas, USA. The form was signed by Chas. J. Rike and by Joe Aston, Registrar. Charlie's employer was the USPO, Farmersville. His nearest relative was Geo. W. Rike, father. His WWII draft registration listed Charlie's place of residence as McKinney Rd. He was 45 years old. *(Therefore, the* 



*date was c. 1941.)* His address was PO Box 287, and his telephone was 242. He was born in Farmersville, Texas on November 15, 1896 and Mrs. Thelma Rike was listed as the person who would always know his address. He was self-employed at Rikes Drug Store. It was signed by Chas. J. Rike.

Charlie's death certificate showed that he was DOA at Collin Memorial Hospital in McKinney, Collin Co, TX. He died February 18, 1978 at age 82 *(he was actually still 81 at the time of his death)*. His usual residence was Candy Street, Farmersville, Collin Co, TX. He was a retired druggist who was born in Farmersville, Texas. His father was George William Rike, and his mother was Orela Blanch Odom. The certificate was signed by Charlene Latham, who listed his cause of death as coronary occlusion due to heart disease, arteriosclerotic, acute, for 2 years. His doctor was Jack Webb, M.D. of 106 Johnson St. He was buried February 19, 1978 in the IOOF Cemetery by Fielder-Baker Inc., J.R. Bratcher, undertaker.

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#### Sula Thelma Frazier Rike

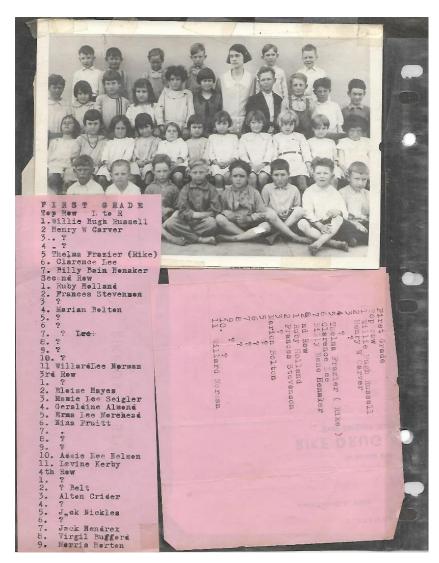
b. 2 Sep 1901, Blue Ridge, Collin Co, TX

d. 15 Jul 1987, Ft. Worth, Tarrant Co, TX

Thelma's parents were John Jackson Frazier and Bettie Manning. The 1910 census (Texas, Collin County, Justice Precinct 8, District 29) listed Thelma as an 8 year old, and she had an older sister Hazel, who was 14, and younger sister Ava, 3, and Harold, 1. John was a miller at a grist mill. Both John and Bettie were born in Texas, but their parents had been born in Georgia.

By the time of the 1920 census (Farmersville, Collin Co., Texas, District 15) there was a new little brother, Kenneth D, who was 4. Also at home were John, 42; Bettie, 40; Thelma, 18; Ava, 13; and Harold, 11. John was a real estate agent. Thelma was a public school teacher.





The 1930 census (Farmersville, Collin Co., Texas, District 12) listed Charlie and Thelma's home value at 15. It was not a farm. Thelma was 28 and had no occupation (?!) and daughter Charlene was almost 2 (1 11/12).

The 1940 census (Other places, Collin Co., TX, District 43-18) listed Thelma as having completed the 3<sup>rd</sup> year of college, and at 40 years old, had 2 preschoolers and 1 teenager.



Thelma's death certificate indicated that she was white, not of Spanish origin, 85, and widowed. She had not served in the armed forces. She died in Ft. Worth, Tarrant Co, Texas. Her father was John Jackson Frazier and mother was Betty Manning. The certificate was signed by Betty Robinson. Thelma was buried in the IOOF Cemetery in Farmersville on July 17, 1987. Dr. Byan Rutledge , M.D., signed as the doctor. The funeral home was Fielder-Baker and J.R. Bratcher was the funeral director.



The Rike family about 1957: Charlene and Sid Latham, Thelma, Betty Blanche, Charlie, and Zeb Rike.



Four generations: Thelma Frazier Rike, her daughter Charlene Rike Latham holding Beverly Latham, and Thelma's mother Bettie Manning



Christmas 1976: *Back:* Frank, Zeb, and Carmon Rike, Thelma and Charlie Rike, Betty and Tommy Robinson, Carl, Cindy, and Teresa Robinson.

*Front:* Martha Robinson, Linda Latham, Sid Latham, Beverly Latham & Ken Lenoir, Charlene Latham. Lisa Robinson.



Charlie and Thelma on the occasion of their 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Their three children stand behind them: Charlene Latham, Zeb Rike, and Betty Blanche Robinson.

The Rikes with their 8 grandchildren:

I-r: Beverly Latham Lenoir, Linda Latham, Lisa Robinson, Thelma Rike, Teresa Robinson, Martha Robinson, Charlie Rike, Frank Rike, Carl Robinson, and Cindy Robinson.



#### Leroy Latham and Aurora Smith Latham

Great-grandparents of Beverly Latham Lenoir

#### Leroy Latham

b. 22 Sep 1870, TN

- d. 2 Feb 1956, Farmersville, Collin Co, TX
- m. Aurora Smith, 1893, Collin Co, TX







The 1900 census (Collin Co, TX, Precinct 2, District 7) showed Leroy and Aurora with two little boys – Clyde, 3, born April 1897 and Sidney, 10 months, born July 1899.

Leroy was a farmer, his parents were born in TN and KY, and he was 29 at the time of the census. Aurora's parents were born in TN and AL (according to the census, but her father was actually born in SC), and she was 25. Both Leroy and Aurora could read, write, and speak English. Their house was rented.

The 1910 census (Farmersville, Collin Co, TX District 11) showed 6 children: Clyde, 12; Sid Wm., 10; Silbie, 7; Chester, 6; Lillian L., 3; and Roy E(lliot), newborn. Lovena A. Latham, Leroy's mother, 75, born in KY, also lived with them. Her parents were born in VA. Clyde and Sid were listed as farmers! The census indicated that Leroy was an employer and owned his home – free, not mortgaged.

The 1920 census (Collin Co, TX, Precinct 2, District 14) listed a new child, Jimmie, 7. Clyde, 22; Sid, 20; and Silbie, 18 were all listed as laborers on a home farm. Clyde and Sid earned wages. Lovena was no longer listed in the household.

The 1930 census (Collin Co, TX, Precinct 2, District 15) indicated Elliot, 18; Jimmie, 16; and Lillian, 21 were still at home. Leroy was not a veteran.

The 1940 census (Collin Co, TX, Precinct 2) showed:



Leroy, 69, was a farmer, widowed, finished fourth grade, and worked 25 hours the week before the census was taken.

Jimmy, 26, was constable for J.P. 2 and had \$600 in income plus income from other sources. He finished 1 year of high school.

Clyde, 42, was a farm laborer with \$100 in income. He was widowed and finished 7<sup>th</sup> grade.

Henry (Clyde), 2, was Clyde's son and grandson of Leroy.

Leroy Latham and Aurora Smith married in 1893 in Collin County, TX. Leroy died on February 2, 1956 at 85. His death certificate lists his father as Mose Latham and his mother as Lovena Ann Gibson. Son Elliot signed the death certificate. He died of pneumonia, hypostatic (7 days). Antecedent causes were cerebrovascular accident, hemorrhage (2 months). These were due to arteriosclerosis, generalized. The doctor who signed was Jack L. Webb, M.D. He was buried in the IOOF Cemetery in Farmersville, TX. B. C. Fielder was the funeral director.

These pictures show a four-generation picture with Leroy, Sid (Leroy's second son), Sid Jr., and Beverly Latham. The other picture is of Leroy holding Beverly and her cousin Dianne Dyer (Sid Jr.'s sister Billie's daughter). Beverly's mother, Charlene Rike Latham, said she was scared that he was going to drop those two babies! The children in the picture are Carla and Larry Jones, second cousins of Beverly and Dianne.





#### Aurora Smith Latham

b. 27 Jul 1876, TN

d. 16 Aug 1938, Farmersville, Collin Co, TX

Aurora's parents were William Smith and Margaret Gilbert Smith. She was one of four

daughters as shown in the picture. She is on the left, standing.

The 1880 census (Limestone Co AL, Beat #5, page 19) listed Aurora as the oldest daughter of the family and age 6 at the time. William 28, was born in TN and was a farmer. Margaret (Sarah M.) 25, was born in AL and was keeping house. In addition to Aurora, Ella was 3 and Cora was 3 months old. Gilbert Brooks, 24, was a black man listed as a servant who "works on farm." He was born in AL and his parents were born in SC and AL.



Aurora died 16 Aug 1938 in Collin Co TX at age 64. Her death certificate listed her as a retired housewife whose parents were W. J. Smith and Margaret Gilbert, both born in TN. Her residence was Route 2, Farmersville, TX and she had lived there for 35 years. The informant was Lillian Latham, her daughter. Cause of death was myocarditis, chronic, and hypertension. Also listed was acute pulmonary edema. She was buried in Farmersville, TX by the Farmersville Funeral Home, undertaker G. E. Bolger.

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#### George William Rike and Orela Blanche Odom Rike

Great-grandparents of Beverly Latham Lenoir

George William Rike

b. 21 Dec 1857, Farmersville, Collin Co, TX

d. 25 Apr 1940, Farmersville, Collin Co, TX

m. Orela Blanche Odom, 29 Mar 1885, Collin Co, TX

The 1860 census (Texas, Collin Co, Precinct 8, page 189) showed George, the youngest in the family at that time and one of four children to have been born in

Texas. His parents were Robert A. Reich, 38, a farmer, and Maria, 41, both born in North Carolina. Robert's real estate value was listed as \$2980 and his personal estate as \$1500 (total equivalent in purchasing power to about \$139,000 in 2020).

Maria had kept a diary on their trip from NC to TX, and the first three children travelled with them: Henry A, now 15; John S., now 13; and Lewis J., now 11; all born in NC. Born in TX were Julia S., 8; Owen A., 6; Robert E., 4; and George W., 2. H.P. Horton, 28, was a school teacher living with them. Henry down through Owen were attending school.

Robert's real estate was valued at \$12,000 and personal estate at \$1,000 (~\$254,000 in 2020) by the 1870 census (Texas, Collin Co, Precinct 2, page 29). He was then married to Martha, who was keeping house and was also born in NC. Children at home were Julia, 18; Owen, 16; Robert, 14; George, 12; and Mary, 9. John Rike, 23, is married to Elisabeth, 17, who was born in TX. Robert, John, and Henry lived in adjacent houses. Henry, 25, was married to Mary, 18, and they had a baby, 9/12, named Julia. Henry was a farmer with real estate valued at \$4,500 and personal estate of \$800. Julia, daughter of R.A. Rike, was at home. Owen, Robert, and George were at school.

By the time of the 1880 census (Texas, Collin Co, Precinct 2, Enumeration District 21, page 1) R.A. was 58 and Martha was 39. Living at home were George, 22, a farm laborer; along with Ema, 9; Sallie, 7; and Mattie, 3/12.

The 1900 census (Texas, Collin Co, Farmersville, Enumeration District 10, Sheet 5), showed that George, 42, born Dec 1857, was married to Orela B., 34, born May 1866 and they had four sons: Zeb, 14; George C., 12; Maurice O., 8; and Charles J., 3. In addition, George's sister, Sallie, 27, a seamstress, lived with them. George was a druggist whose parents were both born in NC, and Orela's parents were born in GA, as was she.

In the 1910 census (Texas, Collin Co, Part of Precinct 2, Farmersville, Enumeration District 13, sheet 17), George, 52, was a retail merchant in the drug industry and an employer. He owned his home (house) free.

The 1920 census (Texas, Collin Co., Farmersville, Enumeration District 15, sheet 16B) listed Charles, 22, an assistant at the Post Office, as the only child still at home. George was shown as proprietor of a drug store, of his "own account."





In the 1930 census (Texas, Collin Co, Farmersville, Enumeration District 43-12, sheet 13B), George, 72, had been 27 at the time of their marriage and was proprietor of a drug store and an employer, and Blanche was 53.

In the 1940 census (Texas, Collin Co, Farmersville, Precinct 2, Enumeration District 43-15, sheet 8B), George, 84, was a proprietor of a retail drug store who worked 52 weeks in 1939 and listed an income of \$0 but had income from other sources. He and Orela, 74, lived in the same house as in 1935.

The Collin County Marriage Index shows the marriage of George W. Rike and Orola [Orela] B. Odom in 1885. This pitcher on the right was a wedding gift.



George's death certificate lists him as George William Rike, who lived in Farmersville for 82 years. He was a retired druggist who died Apr 25, 1940 of heart failure following pneumonia with contributory causes, pneumonia and age.

His father was listed as John Rike, but this was incorrect. John was George's uncle, rather than his father. The death certificate also lists George's mother as unknown. It was signed by Charles J. Rike, who later studied and wrote about his own genealogy, but at the time he signed the death certificate, he either did not know much about his

grandparents or was too distraught to think straight. George was buried in the IOOF Cemetery on Apr 26, 1940. The undertaker was B.C. Fielder and the doctor was A.C. Corry.



#### Orela Blanche Odom

- b. 18 May 1866, Albany, Dougherty Co, GA
- d. 11 Aug 1944, Farmersville, Collin Co, TX

The 1880 census (Georgia, Dougherty Co, Albany, District 24) showed that Orela was living with J.J. Odom, 38, and his wife Elmina, 47. Miles Fields, 90, lived with them. Orela Blanche was 13 and listed as a niece. She was at school and was born in Georgia, as were her parents. J.J. Odom was born in Georgia, but his parents were born in South Carolina and

Georgia. Orela's father, G.W. Odom, 40, had moved to Texas and was shown in the 1880 census (Texas, Collin Co, Precinct 2, District 20) in Collin County, Texas. He was a boarder and was teaching school. He and his parents were from Georgia. He lived with the E.M. Glass family.









The Confederate Pension file for Alabama, Texas, and Virginia had statements from several men from Farmersville who said that they had known Blanche's father, G.W. Odom, since 1877. He served nearly 4 years in Confederate service as a non-commissioned officer, sergeant, in Co. F 51<sup>st</sup> Georgia Regiment of the Georgia infantry. Blanche's mother, Dorothy Minter Cox, died in 1868, when Blanche was two. She had a younger brother Benjamin. Dorothy may have died at his birth.

Orela's death certificate listed her as a white female who died Aug 11, 1944 at age 78. She was widowed, born May 18, 1866 in Albany, GA. She was a housewife whose father was G.W. Odom, but her mother was listed as unknown. The undertaker was B.C. Fielder. No cause of death was listed.

The funeral home memory book listed her pallbearers as Eldridge Pendleton, Ray Rike, Dr. W.F. Hayes, Burton Allison, Harold Frazier, and Guy Spruill. Many flowers were sent, including from the Junior Department of the Baptist Church. Many visitors were also listed.



Orela was an active Baptist. Several Mission Study Certificates from the 1920s exist to show Orela's involvement with the Woman's Missionary Union of the Southern Baptist Convention. In 2010, Beverly and Ken Lenoir delivered to the Baptist Building in Dallas several copies of the Baptist Standard from the early 1900s that had labels addressed to Mrs. George Rike in Farmersville.

Charles J. Rike, George's youngest son, wrote in his own memoir that:

As seems to have been customary in those days, Grandfather gave each of his 8 children farms or cash, at the time they left home on their own. Dad chose to take his in cash. With this cash, he with E.H. Pendleton and W.B. Yeary established Farmersville's first Drug Store – Pendleton, Yeary, and Rike.

The store operated as Pendleton, Yeary, and Rike until in the early 1890s when Mr. Pendleton sold his interest to Yeary and Rike, the other partners. The business continued as Yeary and Rike. In 1901 Mr. Yeary sold his part to J.R. Holloway, at which time the name was changed to Rike and Holloway. Zeb W. Rike Sr. bought Mr. Holloway's interest in 1920. The business became known as Rike Drug Store. In 1935, Chas. J. Rike bought the interest of Zeb's heirs after the death of Zeb in 1930. After my father George Rike died in 1940, I bought his interest in 1941. It has continued as Rike Drug Store since that time until now (1963).



#### Robert Brown Terry and Ellen Elvira (Bird) Copeland Terry

Great-grandparents of Beverly Latham Lenoir

**Robert Brown Terry** 

b. 17 May 1880, TN

d. 24 Oct 1934, Farmersville, Collin Co, TX

m. Ellen Elvira (Bird) Copeland, 1 Jan 1904, Collin Co, TX





The 1880 census for North Gibson, Gibson Co, TN shows R.B. (Robert) as a 1/12 year-old newborn with one older brother, Edgar, 1. His parents were Thomas W. Terry, 24, a farmer, and Eliza Jane, 27, who was keeping house.

By the time of the 1900 census (Collin Co, TX, Justice Precinct 8, District 0024, sheet #5), the family had moved to Texas. Thomas was a farmer on a farm that was mortgaged. They owned their house. The two oldest boys at home were Robert B., 20 and Thomas A., 18, who were farm laborers. Other sons were Luther C., 16, and Geather A., 15, both in school. John C. was 8.

The 1910 census (Collin Co, TX, Justice Precinct 8, District 0030, Sheet 17) for the Robert B. Terry, 29, family showed that he had been married to Bird, 26, for 6 years. Two children, both living, had been born to the couple: Halla V, 5, and Natalie, 3/12, both born in Texas (*shown in picture at right*). R.B.'s parents were both born in TN. Bird's parents were born in TX and GA. R.B. did general farm work and worked as "own account." He read and wrote English and rented their home.

By the time of the 1920 census (District 31) Robert and Bird (listed as Ellen), R.B. was listed as a chauffeur for a motor truck and earned a wage. Halla V was 14 and Natalie was 10.

By the census of 1930 (Farmersville, District 0012), R.B. and Bird (listed Bertie)



were 49 and 46. Their home was rented. The home value was listed as 17. (Perhaps this was the rent per month.) R.B. was a mechanic at a garage and earned a wage. Bird was a seamstress at home and worked as own account. Natalie was 20 and had no occupation. (Halla V had married and left home by this time.)

R.B. Terry and Ellen E. Copeland married in 1904 in Collin Co, TX.

R.B. died 24 Oct 1934 at age 55. His death certificate showed he died of Hodgkin's disease. His trade was listed as a filling station agent. He was born in TN to T.W. Terry and Eliza White, both born in TN. The informant was Mrs. Brown Terry (Bird). He was buried 25 Oct 1934 in the IOOF Cemetery (Find a Grave memorial #35852617). The doctor who signed the death certificate was W.O. Wright and the undertaker was Frank Tolbert, both of Farmersville.

R.B.'s WWI draft registration card, dated 9-12-1918, listed him as Robert Brown Terry, 38, date of birth May 17, 1880. He was white, native born, and a farmer whose employer was T.W. Terry. His permanent address and place of employment were "3Rout", Blue Ridge, Collin Co, TX. His nearest relative was Ellen Terry (wife), at the same address. He was of medium height and build with brown eyes and dark hair. He was not physically disqualified.

#### Ellen Elvira (Bird) Copeland Terry

- b. 30 Jan 1884, Celeste, Hunt Co, TX
- d. 26 Apr 1967, McKinney, Collin Co, TX



The 1900 census for Collin Co, TX, Justice Precinct 08, District 0023, showed Ellen as a 16-year old who was born in Texas. Her father was James C. Copeland, 45, a white male, born



Aug 1854 in GA, who was married (for 21 years) to her mother, Fannie S., 37, a white female born in Dec 1862 in TX. Fannie had given birth to 7 children, 6 of whom were living: Mattie R., 20; Paul A., 18; Ellen E, 16; Janney V., 13; Sadie I., 10; and Loyd M., 5. James was a farmer who read, wrote, and spoke English. Mattie was a music teacher and Paul was a farm laborer who attended school 5 years. Ellen and other children attended school 6 years.



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Ellen's (Bird's) death certificate indicated she died on 26 Apr 1967 at age 83 at Collin Memorial Hospital in McKinney. She lived at 106 Maple Street, Farmersville, TX and her occupation was housewife. She was born in Celeste, TX on 30 Jan 1884 and her father was J.C. Copeland and her mother was Sarah Frances Young. The informant was Natalie Terry (her daughter). The immediate cause of death was pneumonia, bilateral lobar, terminal (10 days) due to CVA, secondary to arteriosclerosis (4 weeks) due to heart disease, old infarction (2 years). An autopsy was performed. The signing physician was Jack L. Webb, M.D. Bird was buried 27 Apr 1967 in the IOOF Cemetery in Farmersville, TX. The funeral director was B.C. Fielder of Fielder-Baker Funeral Home.

# COLLIN CHRONICLES



Dec. 25, 1950

Great-granddaughter Beverly Latham Lenoir, shown as baby in picture on left, with her dad, Sid Latham Jr., grandmother Halla V Terry Latham, and great-grandmother Bird Terry, remembers her great-grandmother. Bird lived with her single daughter Natalie Terry, who taught first grade at Tatum Elementary School in Farmersville for 42 years. Bird died when Beverly was 16.



Natalie Terry



Per Paul R. Culwell, Born 1923:

*Back row:* Wife and Paul A., Audie Green (AG) Culwell, Jimmie Vera Copeland Culwell, Sadie Irene, ?, Hoyt, Lela Hattie, Natalie Terry, Monnie Lloyd, Ellen (Byrd) and Brown Terry, James D. Culwell

Second row: ?, Edger Davis, Wilma Copeland Cathey, Sarah Francis, James Calloway, ?, Roberta Copeland Davis holding ?, ? holding ?, Halla V and Sid Latham, Douglas Carlyle Culwell,

*Front row:* Sid Latham, Billie Frances Latham, Bill Davis, Paul R. Culwell

#### John Jackson Frazier and Bettie Manning Frazier

Great-grandparents of Beverly Latham Lenoir

John Jackson Frazier

- b. 10 Feb 1877, Callis, Collin Co, TX
- d. 1 Mar 1950, McKinney, Collin Co, TX
- m. Bettie Manning, 15 Jan 1899, Hunt Co, TX



The 1880 census (Texas, Collin Co, Precinct 8, District 8, page 28) showed John as a three-year old, but there were two younger children, Eliza, 1; and George W., 1/12. All together, the family of Charles and Mary Frazier had ten children: William, 18; James, 14; Elijah, 12; Harriet, 11; Martha E., 9; Jesse, 7; Sarah, 5; in addition to the three youngest.

By the time of the 1900 census (Texas, Collin Co, Precinct 8, District 24), John, 23, and Bettie, 21, had been married a year and had a baby daughter named Hazel who was 7 months old. John was born in Texas, but his parents were born in Tennessee and Alabama. Bettie's parents were born in Alabama, but she was a native Texan. John was in general merchandising and they rented their home. John and Bettie read, wrote, and spoke English.

At the time of the 1910 census (Texas, Collin Co, Precinct 8, District 29) John and Bettie were 33 and 31 and had four children: Hazel, 14 (probably 11, but looks like 14); Thelma, 8; Ava, 3, and Harold, 1. [John's and Bettie's parents were all listed as having been born in Georgia! Who gave that information?] In 1910, John was a miller at a gristmill.

The 1920 census (Texas, Collin Co, Farmersville, District 15) listed John as 42 with parents from Tennessee and Alabama, and Bettie was 40 with parents from Alabama. Thelma was 18, Ava was 13, Harold was 11, and Kenneth D. was 4. John was a real estate agent, on his own account.

The 1930 census (Texas, Collin Co, Farmersville, District 12) showed that Ava, 23, and Kenneth, 14, were still living at home. John was then a cotton buyer, and they lived in a home on Murchison Street that had a value of \$4,000. They did not have a radio set.



The picture at right shows the extended family with spouses and grandchildren.

John Jackson Frazier's death certificate showed that he died in McKinney at City-County Hospital after a stay of 14 days. He died on March 1, 1950. It showed his birth having been on February 10, 1877 to Charles Frazier and Mary J. Guinn in Blue Ridge, Texas. It stated that he was a salesman who died at 73 years of

By the time of the 1940 census (Texas, Collin Co, Farmersville, District 43-15), John was 63 and Bettie was 61. He worked as a retail automobile salesman and worked 40 hours the previous week and 52 weeks the previous year. Their annual income was \$900.

The picture at left shows the Frazier family, from left to right, Harold, Hazel, Thelma (behind), John Jackson and Bettie, Ava, and Kenneth.



age. The informant was Mrs. John Jackson Frazier. The condition directly leading to death was acute coronary occlusion. There was no autopsy. J.M. Anthony, M.D., signed the certificate and B.C. Fielder was the funeral director. He was buried in the IOOF Cemetery in Farmersville. The family address was listed as General Delivery, Farmersville.

The Texas Marriage Collection listed a record for J.J. Frazier and Bettie Manning on 15 January, 1899 in Hunt Co, Texas. J.J.'s WWI draft registration card showed him as 41 in 1918 and self-employed as a cotton buyer. He had gray eyes, black hair, medium height and build, and it was witnessed by H.M. Markham on September 10, 1918 and signed by John Frazier.

#### **Bettie Manning Frazier**

b. 9 Feb 1879, Pike, Collin Co, TX

d. 1 June 1965, McKinney, Collin Co, TX

The 1880 census listed Bettie as the one-year old daughter of Bettie and Wiley Manning. There were seven older kids – from Yancy, 18, to William, 15; Lela, 10; Georgia, 8; Claude, 6; Wiley E, 3; to Bettie. Wiley, 40, was a farmer who was born in Alabama, as were his parents. Mom Bettie was born in Alabama and both her parents were from Georgia. Three servants lived with the family: Caladonia, George, and Mary E, with surnames of Manning.



The picture at right shows Bettie and her friends at college. Bettie is on the far right, seated on the floor.





Bettie's death certificate showed that Bettie M. Frazier died on June 1, 1965 at age 86 after an 8-day stay at Wysong Hospital in McKinney. She was a white female who was widowed and born on Feb. 9, 1879 in Pike, Texas. She was a housewife who lived at 100 Austin Street in Farmersville. Her father was Wylie Manning and her mother was Elizabeth Atkinson. The informant was W.H. (Harold) Frazier. The immediate cause of death was stroke. She was buried in IOOF Cemetery in Farmersville and the funeral director was B.C. Fielder.



The picture above shows Bettie Frazier about 1960 with great-granddaughters Beverly (left) and Linda (right) Latham. Beverly remembers her family (Grandmother Thelma, Mother Charlene, Beverly, and Linda) would often go by to see Bettie (Mama) when they were in Farmersville. She quilted and Mother and Grandmother talked about sewing and garden plants. Beverly remembers her Mother going out to Mama's garden to dig up starts for various plants.



### Newspaper Obituaries Collected from Celina, Texas

The "Newspaper Obituaries Collected from Celina, Texas" will include obituaries from the 1900s through 2010 and was submitted to CCGS by Gayle Maxson, author of three Collin County cemetery books:

- 1. The people of Cottage Hill Cemetery. Denton, Texas: G. Maxson (1999)
- 2. The people of Old Celina Cemetery, Celina, Texas. Decorah, IA: Anundsen Pub. (2002)
- 3. Cottage Hill Cemetery, Collin County, Texas. Decorah, IA: Anundsen Pub. (2004)

A large portion of the obituaries were clipped from old Collin County newspapers by Juanita (Francis) Maxson, Gayle's deceased mother-in-law. Jane Huddleston at the Celina Heritage Museum allowed Gayle to transcribe six scrapbooks full of old obituaries (cut out and pasted with no documentation by persons long deceased). The Celina Record newspaper began publishing weekly in 1902. Papers from 1923-1924 are missing from the collection. **Thanks Gayle for preserving, consolidating, organizing and sharing this historical content!** 

# 1990's continued – Newspaper Obituaries Collected from Celina, Texas

<u>Glen F. O'Brien</u>: Funeral services for Glen F. O'Brien, 75, were held at 10 a.m. Tuesday at the Sparkman-Crane Funeral Chapel, with Revs. R. Keith Oditt and Ira M. Thompson, Jr., officiating. Mr. O'Brien died Saturday, October 28, 1995. He worked for Earl Hayes Chevrolet as New Car Manager and at Steakly Chevrolet. He retired from Lone Star Cadillac after 17 years of service. He was a member of Hella Shrine Temple and Roy Stanley Masonic Lodge. He was also a 32 Degree Scottish Rite Mason and a member of Casa View Christian Church. Mr. O'Brien served in the European Theater during World War II. He was preceded in death by his wife of 47 years, Tommie Mobley O'Brien. Survivors include his son and daughter-in-law, Patrick and Joann O'Brien of Evans, Georgia; four sisters, Faye Copeland, Irene Messina, Hazel Damstrom, all of Dallas, Texas and June Lair of Celina, Texas; two grandsons; and several nieces and nephews. (The Celina Record, Celina, Texas, Thursday, November 2, 1995)

<u>Mary Kathleen (Bray) O'Brien</u>: Services for Mary Kathleen O'Brien, 81, of 517 West Oak Street in Celina, Texas were 5 p.m. Tuesday, August 15, 1995 in Cantrell Funeral Chapel with Rev. Ron Hathcoat officiating. Burial in Cottage Hill Cemetery with Cantrell Funeral Home. Mrs. O'Brien died 11:22 a.m. Sunday, August 13, 1995 in North Texas Medical Center in McKinney. She was born April 27, 1914 in Van Alstyne, Texas, daughter of the late G. V. and Annie Blassingame Bray. She married Richard Paul O'Brien December 1, 1933, in Celina, Texas. Mrs. O'Brien was a homemaker and member of First Baptist Church of Celina and Fidelis Inter Se Club. She is survived by son, Richard Bray O'Brien of Celina, Texas; daughter, Judy K. Stanton of Celina, Texas; sisters, Myra Strinkle of Ft. Worth, Texas and Marguerite Jennings of Sherman, Texas; seven grandchildren and one greatgrandchild. (The Celina Record, Celina, Texas, Thursday, August 17, 1995) **<u>Richard Paul O'Brien</u>**: Funeral services for Richard Paul O'Brien, 79, of Celina, Texas were held at 2 p.m. Wednesday, April 29, 1992 at Cantrell Funeral Chapel with Rev. Ron Hathcoat and Rev. Rodney Bunch officiating and interment in Cottage Hill Cemetery. Mr. O'Brien died Monday evening, April 27, 1992, at North Texas Medical Center in McKinney, Texas. He was born March 5, 1913, in Celina, Texas, son of Gus S. and Emma Lytle O'Brien. He and Mary Kathleen Bray were married December 1, 1993, in Celina. He was a member of the First Christian Church in Celina and was a farmer, electrician, member of the Celina Fire Department, Grayson County Farmers Co-op, Alla Hubbard Trust and ASC Board of Directors. Survivors are his wife, Mary, of Celina, Texas; one son, Richard Ray O'Brien of Celina, Texas; one daughter, Judy K. Stanton of Celina, Texas; seven grandchildren, Sherry Mather and Jimmy and Cindy Stanton and Kevin O'Brien all of Celina, Texas, and Chris Stanton of Prosper, Texas, Gayna O'Brien of McKinney, Texas and Shanna O'Brien of Tyler, Texas; and one great-grandchild, Alex Mather of Celina, Texas. (The Celina Record, Celina, Texas, Thursday, April 30, 1992)

**Fannie (Bull) O'Dell**: Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. today (Thursday) at Bethel Baptist Church for Mrs. Fannie O'Dell, 64, of Celina, Texas with Rev. Ron Hathcoat and Rev. Brian Waite officiating. Interment will be in Cottage Hill Cemetery under direction of Cantrell Funeral Home. Mrs. O'Dell died Tuesday, January 7, 1992 at Hilltop Haven Nursing Home in Gunter, Texas. She was born July 27, 1927, in Prosper, Texas, daughter of Henry and Gladys Haynes Bull. She and Robert O'Dell were married April 14, 1946, in Collin County, Texas. Mrs. O'Dell was a beautician and a member of Bethel Baptist Church. Survivors are her husband of Celina, Texas; her mother, of Prosper, Texas; two sons, Ronnie O'Dell of Celina, Texas and Donnie O'Dell of Pottsboro, Texas; one daughter, Margaret Franklin of Celina, Texas; two brothers, Thomas Bull of Prosper, Texas and Marvin Bull of Celina, Texas; five grandchildren and one great-grandchild. Pallbearers were Terry Waller, E. L. Marks, Joe Wilcox, Mike Norman, Sam Warren and Rex Mask. (The Celina Record, Celina, Texas, Thursday, January 9, 1992)

**Joseph Carter O'Dell**: Services for Joseph Carter O'Dell, 97, of Apple Valley, California were held at 2 p.m. Wednesday, August 23, 1995 in Cantrell Funeral Chapel in Celina, Texas with Rev. Bob Layman officiating. Burial was in Cottage Hill Cemetery under direction of Cantrell Funeral Home Mr. O'Dell died Saturday, August 19, 1995 at 8:55 a.m. in California. He was born December 2, 1897, in Celina, Texas, son of the late LaFayette and Martha Elizabeth Click O'Dell. He married Dottie Leglenn Crosswhite February 14, 1919 in Denton, Texas. Mr. O'Dell was a Methodist, a commercial architect and a charter member of Lawndale Rotary Club in Lawndale, California. Survivors include six sons, Ralph L. O'Dell of Waco, Texas, Clayton M. O'Dell of Lubbock, Texas, Harold S. O'Dell of Gainesville, Texas, Kenneth W. O'Dell of Rockwall, Texas, Wallace J. White of Portales, New Mexico and Bobby R. White of Denver, Colorado; three daughters, Rowena Sealy of Austin, Texas, Freda J. Green of Wimberley, Texas and Avanell Y. Witherspoon of Denton, Texas; 30 grandchildren, 43 great-grandchildren, one great-great-grandchild and several nieces and nephews. (The Celina Record, Celina, Texas, Thursday, August 24, 1995)

<u>M. H. "Hubbard" O'Dell</u>: Funeral services for M. H. (Hubbard) O'Dell, 90, of Irving, Texas were held at 2 p.m. Saturday, May 1, 1993, at First Baptist Church of Irving with Dr. C. H. Murphy officiating. Masonic graveside services were held at 4 p.m. Saturday at Cottage Hill Cemetery with Chism-Smith Funeral Home of Irving in charge. Mr. O'Dell died Thursday, April 29, 1993 at his home in Irving, Texas. He was born in Celina, Texas December 23, 1902. He was a member of the First

Baptist Church of Irving, Irving Masonic Lodge #1218, A.F. & A.M., and was a retired bookkeeper for E-Systems. He had attended North Texas State University for two years. Survivors are his wife, Helen Conatser Odell, of Irving, Texas; one brother, Joe O'Dell of Apple Valley, California; one son, George O'Dell of Juneau, Alaska. (The Celina Record, Celina, Texas, Thursday, May 6, 1993)

Edna E. (Taylor) Rush/Odle: Graveside services for Edna E. Taylor Rush Odle, 73, were held at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, May 31, 1995 at Pecan Grove Cemetery in McKinney with Rev. Malcom Cave officiating. Mrs. Odle died Monday, May 29, 1995. She was born October 31, 1921, daughter of Will Taylor and Hattie Mae Lisbon. She is survived by daughters and son-in-law, Jerry Ann and Earl Anderson of McKinney, Joan Susan and Michael Hay of Baton Rouge, Louisiana; son-in-law, Ronnie Hughes of Celina; nine grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren. (The Celina Record, Celina, Texas, Thursday, June 1, 1995)

<u>Nancy Ann O'Keefe</u>: A memorial service for Nancy Ann O'Keefe, 48, of Celina, Texas was held Saturday, May 10, 1997 at the family home. Mrs. O'Keefe died May 7, 1997. She was a nurse for Baylor Richardson Medical Center. Survivors include husband, Tim O'Keefe of Celina; son, Tim O'Keefe of Yuba City, California; daughter, Kristen O'Keefe-Mosher of Dallas, Texas; mother, Pearl Pereira of Pacoima, California; and sister, Barbara Smith of Scottsdale, Arizona. The family requests memorials be made in Nancy's memory to The Lupus Foundation of America, North Texas Chapter, 14465 Webb Chapel Road, Dallas, Texas 75134. (The Celina Record, Celina, Texas, Thursday, May 15, 1997)

<u>K. Lorene (Malone) Ownsby</u>: Funeral services for K. Lorene Ownsby of Richardson, Texas were held at 10 a.m. Friday, October 7, 1994 in Restland Funeral Home Memorial Chapel with Rev. Kenneth Gibson officiating. She died Wednesday, October 5, 1994. Mrs. Ownsby was born in Celina, Texas to James and Hattie Lee Hathaway Malone, and married Glen G. Ownsby. She attended North Texas State Teachers College. She taught school briefly at Rock Hill School in Collin County. She was a member of the Business and Professional Women's Club of Richardson, Triple E. Retirement Club, Daughters of the American Revolution Richardson Chapter, Richardson Historical Society and Camaraderie Book Club. She was a Baptist. Surviving are one daughter, Jeanne B. Housley of Richardson, Texas; four grandchildren, Sheila K. and William Housley of Richardson, Texas; three great-grandchildren, Kandyce and Sarah Horner of Rockwall, Texas and Nicholas Housley of Tulsa, Oklahoma; one niece, Evelyn Lovelady of Austin, Texas; one nephew, Harold Clark of Celina, Texas; six great-nephews and three great-nieces. (The Celina Record Celina, Texas, Thursday, October 13, 1994 p. 16)

**Tommie Lillian (Cunningham) Ownsby:** Services for Tommie Cunningham Ownsby, 100, of Celina, Texas were held at 2 p.m. Wednesday, June 7, 1995 in the First United Methodist Church with Rev. Clay Womack and Rev. Doug Miller officiating. Burial was in Old Celina Cemetery under the direction of Cantrell Funeral Home. Mrs. Ownsby died Monday, June 5, 1995, at the Celina Care Center. She was born March 8, 1895, in Denton County, daughter of the late John Mitchell and Mary Skaggs Cunningham. She married Ben Ownsby in Celina, Texas and he preceded her in death in 1949. Mrs. Ownsby was a retired High School English teacher, having taught in Weston and Prosper, Texas for 30 years. She was a past president of the Celina Inter Se Club, Texas Association of Retired Teachers and the SMU Alumni Association and was a tournament bridge player. She was a member of

the First Methodist Church in Celina. Survivors include a son and daughter-in-law, J. C. and Etta Christie Ownsby of Celina, Texas; two granddaughters and six great-grandchildren. (The Celina Record, Celina, Texas, Thursday, June 8, 1995)

**Betty A. Pace**: Funeral services for Betty A. Pace, 69, a native of Celina, Texas were held Wednesday, January 16, 1991, at 2 p.m. at Cantrell Funeral Chapel with Rev. Brian Waite officiating. Interment was in Cottage Hill Cemetery. Mrs. Pace died Sunday, January 13, 1991 at Harris Hospital in Fort Worth, Texas. She was born October 14, 1921, in Celina, Texas, the daughter of William Barney and Donna Pafford Pace. She was a retired registered nurse and a veteran of World War II. She was a member of the Baptist faith. She is survived by one sister, Melba Anderson of Fort Worth, Texas; and two nieces, Carol Rosas of Dallas, Texas and Catherine Anderson of Port Royal, S. C. (The Celina Record, Celina, Texas, Thursday, January 17, 1991 p. 2)

**Daniel Allen Pace**: Funeral services for Daniel Allen Pace, 24, of Dike, Texas were held at 10 a.m. Friday, November 23, 1990 in the Tapp Funeral Home Chapel with Darrell Tubb officiating. Interment was in Restlawn Memorial Park. Mr. Pace died at 10:01 a.m. Tuesday, November 20, 1990 in Hopkins County Memorial Hospital following a lengthy illness. He was born September 21, 1966 in Sulphur Springs, Texas, the son of Joseph C. and Vela Pomeroy Pace. He was a 1986 graduate of Sulphur Springs High School and a member of Shannon Oaks Church of Christ. He was a dairyman, a member of the National Rifle Association, and while in high school was active in the FFA and all phases of 4-H. Survivors are his parents of Dike; four brothers, Thomas Eugene Pace, James Byron Pace, John Clifton Pace and Joel Ellis Pace, all of Dike, Texas; one sister, Jo Alice Merritt of Celina, Texas; a niece and three nephews. (The Celina Record, Celina, Texas, Thursday, November 29, 1990)

<u>Mary Frances (O'Neal) Pafford</u>: Funeral services for Mary Frances (O'Neal) Pafford, 90, of Mesquite, Texas will be August 19, 1993 at 11 a.m. at Cottage Hill United Methodist Church with elder Hylton Crain and Rev. Thomas Sullinger officiating, burial in Cottage Hill Cemetery under direction of Restland Funeral Home. Mrs. Pafford died at her home Monday, August 16, 1993. She was born June 4, 1903 in Sherman, Texas, daughter of James S. and Florence E. Jones O'Neal. She married Frank W. Pafford, Sr. in 1923, and he preceded her in death in 1987. She lived in the Cottage Hill Community until 1960, then moved to Mesquite. Mrs. Pafford was a member of Cottage Hill United Methodist Church where she had taught the adult Sunday School Class. She was also active in the Celina PTO. Survivors are sons and daughters-in-law Winton and Marge Pafford of Gainesville, Georgia, Frank Wesley Jr. and Dorothy Pafford of Abilene, Texas, Jim and Kathy Pafford of Graham, Texas and Edward Lynn and Ruth Ann Pafford of Plano, Texas; one sister, Allison McCaskill of Houston, Texas; 25 grandchildren; 31 great-grandchildren; three step-grandchildren and 15 step-great-grandchildren. She was also preceded in death by one son. Lewis Pafford, in 1986. (The Celina Record, Celina, Texas, Thursday, August 19, 1993)

**Norman Kenneth Pafford**: Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. today (October 28) for Norman Kenneth Pafford, 59, of Graham, Texas at Cottage Hill Methodist Church under the direction of Cantrell Funeral Home of Celina. Burial will be in Cottage Hill Cemetery. Mr. Pafford died Monday, October 25, 1993 in Graham. He was born May 30, 1934, in Celina, the son of the late Frank W. and Mary Frances O'Neal Pafford. He and Mary Farace were married May 3, 1968, in St. Louis, Mo. He was a member of the Methodist faith, a veteran of the U. S. Army, and a self-employed siding and home improvement contractor. Survivors are his wife, Mary, of Florissant, Mo.; one daughter, Teresa Pafford of Florissant, Mo.; two sons, Mike Pafford of Iowa City and Frank Pafford of Graham; one sister, Donna Muhlinghause of Garland; five brothers, Winton Pafford of Gainesville, Ga., Wesley Pafford of Abilene, John Pafford of Carrollton, Jim Pafford of Oklahoma City, Ok., and Lynn Pafford of Plano; and two grandchildren. (The Celina Record, Celina, Texas, Thursday, October 28, 1993)

**Phillip Houston Parker**: Funeral services for Phillip Houston Parker, 68, of Celina, were held at 10 a.m. Wednesday, May 12, 1993, at Turrentine-Jackson-Morrow Chapel with Bro. Buddy Cole officiating. Burial was in Ridgeview Memorial Park. Mr. Parker died at the V. A. Medical Center in Dallas, Texas on May 8, 1993. He was born December 15, 1924 in Magnolia, Miss., the son of Luther and Rosa Belle Brown Parker. He and Dora Ella Gatwood were married January 26, 1946, in Magnolia. He was a retired garage door installer for Hollywood Overhead Door Co. and a member of Celina Church of God. Survivors are his wife of Celina; four sons, Phillip Jerry Parker of Celina, Jimmy Parker of Sherman, Herb Parker of McKinney and Neil Parker of Alvarado; 11 grandchildren, three great-grandchildren; and two sisters, Hazel Wall of McComb, Miss. and Donis Rushing of Pensacola, Florida. (The Celina Record, Celina, Texas, Thursday, May 13, 1993)

<u>Alice L. (Young) Parks</u>: Funeral services for Alice L. Parks, 68, of Celina, Texas will be held Friday, May 11, 1990 at 2 p.m. at the Celina Church of God, Rev. Buddy Cole officiating. Interment will be at Cottage Hill Cemetery. Mrs. Parks died Tuesday, May 8, 1990 at North Texas Medical Center in McKinney, Texas. Born July 12, 1921 in Collin County, she was a cook and member of Cottage Hill Methodist Church. Survivors are two sons, Billy Gene Armstrong of Celina, Texas and James R. Armstrong of Wilmer, Texas; one daughter, Dolores Jean Ryba of Celina and 12 grandchildren. (The Celina Record, Celina, Texas, Thursday, May 10, 1990)

**Bessie (Greenwood) Parks**: Services for Bessie Greenwood Parks, 99, of Sherman, Texas were held at 10 a.m. Wednesday, August 17, 1994 in Dannel Funeral Home Chapel. Rev. Kenneth Dacus, formerly of Kerr Chapel Baptist Church officiated, with entombment at Hillcrest Mausoleum at Hill Crest Cemetery in Dallas. She died Sunday at Heritage Country Manor Nursing Home. Mrs. Parks was born in Prosper, Texas, the daughter of John and Lydia Doyle Greenwood, and attended schools in Prosper. She retired from Pool Manufacturing after 13 years of service. She was a member of Kerr Chapel Baptist Church. Surviving are her daughters, Gertrude Spears of Sherman, Viola Davis of Dallas, Gladys Wiggins of Sanger and Vergie O'Connor of Dallas; stepdaughter, Mildred Holland of Houston; sister, Allie Robertson of Prosper; five grandchildren; five great grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild. Memorials may be made to Kerr Chapel Baptist Church, North Travis, Sherman, Texas 75090. (The Celina Record, Celina, Texas, Thursday, August 18, 1994)

**Bill Parks**: Bill Parks, 41, of Plano, Texas passed away Saturday, June 13, 1998. He was born November 22, 1956, son of Don Randall and Dorothy Anna (Harris) Parks in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. Bill married Shelley Renea Wall on August 7, 1982 in Plano, Texas. He was a faithful Christian and member of the Waterview Church of Christ, a Texas A&M graduate and a deputy sheriff for Collin County, serving as bailiff for District Judge Betty Caton's court. He had been a scoutmaster, a church officer and a children's Sunday school teacher. He loved children and over the years many children came to know and love Bill as a wonderful role model. Surviving him is his wife, Shelley of Plano; son, Gregory Thomas Parks of Plano; parents, Don and Dorothy Parks of Tyler, Texas; brother Mike and his wife Susan Parks of Tyler; sisters; Jenny and her husband Barry Hughes of Nacogdoches,

Texas and Kate and her husband Rick Peery of Houston, Texas; grandmother, Alma Parks of Cooper, Texas and father and mother-in-law, Noel and Nancy Wall of Bells, Texas. The family will receive guests at their home in Plano tonight from 6 to 8. Memorial services will be held 2 p.m. Tuesday, June 16, 1998, at the Waterview Church of Christ, 1409 N. Waterview Dr., in Richardson, Texas with Noel Wall and Robert Oglesby officiating. The family will again receive guests at the church following services. Memorials may be made to North Texas SIDS (Sudden Infant Death Syndrome) Alliance...Arrangements were under the direction of Turrentine-Jackson-Morrow Funeral Directors. (The Celina Record, Celina, Texas, Thursday, June 16, 1998)

<u>George R. Parvin</u>: Graveside services for George R. Parvin, 81, of Prosper, Texas were held Tuesday, August 11, 1998 at Ridgeview Memorial Park in Allen, Texas with the Rev. Larry Krueger officiating. Mr. Parvin died Saturday, August 8, 1998 at Hilltop Haven Nursing Home in Gunter, Texas. He was born June 22, 1917, in Canyon, Texas to Thomas Howard Parvin and Elizabeth George Bates Parvin. He married Billie Katherine Bryant November 20, 1948, in McKinney, Texas. Mr. Parvin was owner of George Parvin's Barber Shop in Prosper and a member of First United Methodist Church of Prosper. He was preceded in death by brother, Thomas Parvin and sisters, Laura Strickland and Charlotte Burden. Survivors are wife, Billie of Prosper; son, Bill Parvin of Dallas, Texas; daughters, Mary Jo Parvin of Dallas and Vera Parvin Price of Denison, Texas; sisters, Elizabeth Greene of Frisco, Texas and Mary Jo Green of Richardson, Texas; seven grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren. (The Celina Record, Celina, Texas, Thursday, August 13, 1998)

**Elizabeth Perry (Elmore) Payne**: Services for Elizabeth (Perry) Payne, 88, of Celina, Texas were held Sunday, August 29, 1999, at 2 p.m. in Cantrell Funeral Chapel in Celina with the Rev. Ron Hathcoat officiating. Burial was in Cottage Hill Cemetery. Mrs. Payne died Friday, August 27, 1999, at Heritage Nursing Home in Carrollton, Texas. She was born January 8, 1911 in Texas, the daughter of the late William and Maggie Jayne Perry Elmore. She and Willie Walter Payne married in 1927. She was a member of the Baptist faith and a housewife. Survivors are three daughters, Billie Elizabeth Brandon and Martha Jane McWhorter both of Bonham, Texas and Jo Lynn Nichols of Carrollton, Texas; a sister, Billie Margaret Brisco of Oklahoma; three brothers, Jack, Donald and Herbie Elmore; nine grandchildren, 21 great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren. (The Celina Record, Celina, Texas, Thursday, September 2, 1999)

**Lonnie Peavy**: Funeral services for Lonnie Peavy will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday October 27, 1990, at Cantrell Funeral Home Chapel in Celina, Texas with the Rev. Willie Green officiating. Interment will be in Community Cemetery north of Celina, Texas. Mr. Peavy died October 20, 1990 at his residence in Celina. He was born April 6, 1929 in Mississippi, the son of the late Grady and Ellie Lott Peavy. He was a member of the Baptist faith. Survivors are six brothers, Jesse Peavy of Mississippi, Cato Peavy of Louisiana, Joe Peavy of Chicago, Illinois, Evinezer Peavy of Dallas, Texas, Stanley Peavy of Chicago, Illinois and Ernest Peavy of Dallas, Texas. (The Celina Record, Celina, Texas, Thursday, October 25, 1990 p. 2)

<u>Margaret Twila (Davis) Penland</u>: Services for Margaret Twila Penland, 81, of Frisco, Texas were held Monday, September 21, 1998 at The Word Center in Frisco with the Rev. M. L. Melton and the Rev. Johnny Bob Hooper officiating. Burial was in Little Elm Cemetery. Arrangements were under the direction of Cantrell Funeral Home of Frisco. Mrs. Penland was born August 6, 1917, in Warren, Arkansas, daughter of the late Johnny Elmer and Ruth Thompson Davis. She married Anderson

Penland in October 1933, in Atoka, Oklahoma. She was a member of the Assembly of God faith and was a retired cook with the Frisco ISD. Survivors are daughters, Bertha Laverne Mayes of Tioga, Texas and Johnnie Ruth Parvin of Frisco; brother, Johnny Elmer Davis Jr. of Celina, Texas; sister, Tommie Greenwood of Pilot Point, Texas; six grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren. (The Celina Record, Celina, Texas, Thursday, September 24, 1998)

<u>Carl Lee Perkins</u>: Funeral services for Carl Lee Perkins, 82, of the Mustang Community were held at 2 p.m. October 31, 1995 at the First United Methodist Church in Pilot Point, with Rev. Larry Kruger, assisted by Rev. John Hicks, officiating. Mr. Perkins died Sunday, October 29, 1995 at Kern Manor Nursing Center in Pilot Point, Texas. Burial was at the Pilot Point Community Cemetery under the direction of Huff/Slay Funeral Home of Pilot Point. Mr. Perkins was born in Celina December 11, 1912, the son of S. A. (Lon) Perkins and Molly Daisy Knox Perkins. He married Ruby Fae Moore on November 1, 1933, in the Mustang Community. Mr. Perkins was a retired farmer and rancher. He was Sunday School Superintendent of the Mustang Methodist Church for 43 years and a church trustee. He was voted Farmer of the Month in March of 1957, served as an election judge for many years and was a member of the First United Methodist Church. Survivors include his wife of Mustang; two daughters and sons-in-law, Joyce and Elvis Stephens of Denton, Texas and Carla and Larry Kruger of Farmersville, Texas; two brothers, Wayne Perkins and Grover Perkins of Mesquite; one sister, Lois Thomason of McKinney; five grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. (The Celina Record, Celina, Texas, Thursday, November 2, 1995)

**Grover Thomas Perkins**: Services for Grover Thomas Perkins, 89, of Mesquite, Texas, formerly of Celina, Texas will be held at 2 p.m. Thursday in Cantrell Funeral Chapel with Rev. Larry Kruger officiating. Burial will be in Cottage Hill Cemetery. Mr. Perkins died Tuesday at 11:30 a.m. in the Mesquite Tree Nursing Home. He was born March 28, 1906, in Denton County, son of the late S. A. and Daisy Knox Perkins. He married Clara Beatrice Thomason December 11, 1927 in Celina, Texas and she preceded him in death February 1, 1979. Mr. Perkins was a Methodist and a retired warehouse supervisor with G. E. Lamp. He is survived by his son, Tommy Perkins of Mabank, Texas; sister, Lola Thomason of McKinney, Texas; brother, Wayne Perkins of Mesquite, Texas; three grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. (The Celina Record, Celina, Texas, Thursday, January 11, 1996)

Arvin Ray "Dink" Perry: Funeral services for Arvin Ray "Dink" Perry, 78, of Weston, Texas were held Tuesday at First Christian Church of Weston with the Rev. John Quick officiating. Mr. Perry was born May 10, 1919. He died Monday, May 19, 1997 at Columbia Medical Center in McKinney, Texas. He was the son of the late Felix and Daisy Perry of Weston. He married Billie Jo Lee of Celina, Texas who preceded him in death in 1975. He was born and raised in Weston, Texas. He served in Europe in the army during World War II where he earned a Bronze Star and a Purple Heart. He was a member of the First Christina Church of Weston and retired from Texas Sign Company. Survivors include one son, Glen E. Perry of Alpine, Texas; daughter and son-in-law, Debbie Jo and Paul Peterman of Celina, Texas; granddaughter and grandson, Paula Jo Peterman and Austin Ray Peterman, both of Celina; two brothers, Guy Perry and Jack Perry, both of Weston; two sisters, Pauline Birdsong and Gladys Cave, both of Weston; and many nieces and nephews. Burial was in Cottage Hill Cemetery under the direction of Cantrell Funeral Home of Celina. (The Celina Record, Celina, Texas, Thursday, May 22, 1997)

<u>Gebe Perry</u>: Services for Gebe Perry, 60, of Canton, Texas were Saturday, February 20, 1999 at Cantrell Funeral Home with burial in Cottage Hill Cemetery and Cantrell Funeral Home of Celina, Texas in charge. Mr. Perry died Wednesday, February 17, 1999 at Cosby Germany Hospital in Grand Saline, Texas. He was born December 10, 1938 in Celina, Texas, son of the late Bill and Meedy Winnett Perry. He was Baptist. Survivors are brothers, Tom Perry of Denver, Colorado and Bill Perry Jr. of Cedar Hill, Texas; two sisters, Vera McKinney and Fae Pafford both of Dallas, Texas. He was preceded in death by his parents; four brothers, Ernest, John, Joe and Jimmy; and two sisters, Rena Moore and Viola Giles. (The Celina Record, Celina, Texas, Thursday, February 25, 1999)

<u>**Guy Clifford Perry</u>**: Funeral services for Guy Clifford Perry of Sherman, Texas, 83, were held at 2 p.m. April 4, 1994, in Dannel Funeral Home Chapel with Quinton Gage officiating and Barney Martin giving the eulogy, both of Center Street Church of Christ. Mr. Perry died March 31, 1994 at his residence. Burial was in Old Celina Cemetery in Celina, Texas. Mr. Perry was born August 14, 1910 in Celina, Texas, son of Ben Gearhart and Mary Louise Bunch Perry. He married Lenora Thurman on January 9, 1938 in Celina, Texas and attended Gunter Schools. He was a retired, self-employed paint contractor and was a member of Center Street Church of Christ. Surviving are his wife; daughter, Sally Eaglet of Vienna, Virginia; brother, Ben Perry of Gainesville, Texas; sister, Jane Blaine of Celina, Texas and three grandchildren and one great-grandson. (The Celina Record, Celina, Texas, Thursday, April 7, 1994)</u>

Houston Willis "Jack" Perry: Funeral services for H. W. (Jack) Perry, 88, of Prosper, Texas, formerly of Sanger, will be held at 10 a.m. today, August 18, 1994, at Cantrell Funeral Chapel in Celina, Rev. Tommy Palmer and Dr. Christa Dixon will officiate, with interment in Old Celina Cemetery under the direction of Cantrell Funeral Home. Mr. Perry died Tuesday, August 16, 1994 at North Texas Medical Center in McKinney. He was born August 22, 1905 in Prosper, Texas, to J. W. and Dama Roberson Perry. He married Elizabeth Ann Dobie December 22, 1929 in Prosper. He was a member of the Presbyterian Church in Prosper. He owned and operated Princess Restaurants in Dallas for several years. After moving to Sanger in 1945, he owned and operated the International Harvest dealership for 13 years. In 1958 he moved to Morton where he owned and operated Morton Seed Co. until he retired and moved to Prosper. Mr. Perry was a 32 Degree Scottish Rite Mason in Sanger and past member of Southern Seed Association. The family will be at the funeral home in Celina from 7 to 9 tonight for visitation. Surviving are his wife, Elizabeth, of Prosper; son, Jim Perry of Denton; daughter, Peggy Heist of Prosper; three sisters, Essie Crockett of Prosper, Ruby Stone of Celina and Valta Lester of Abilene; four grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandchild. Pallbearers will be Bobby King, Frank Kerby, Buddy Carey, Mark Carey, Dan Stone, Sam Holland, Ken Smith and Roger Caldwell. (The Celina Record, Celina, Texas, Thursday, August 18, 1994)

**Jimmy Perry**: Obituary and notes: (1) Funeral services for Jimmy Perry, 52, a Celina, Texas native, were held at 2 p.m. Wednesday, September 12, 1990 at Cantrell Funeral Chapel with Rev. J. T. Bledsoe officiating. Interment was in Cottage Hill Cemetery. Mr. Perry died September 10, 1990 in Irving, Texas where he had been a resident. He was born October 27, 1932 in Celina, Texas, son of Bill and Meedy Winnett Perry. He was a Baptist and a welder with Brown & Root Co. He was retired from the Air Force. Survivors are one daughter, Donna Holiday of California; two sons, Andrew Perry and Jeffrey Perry both of California; one granddaughter, Vina Marie Perry of California; five brothers, Johnny Perry of Euless, Texas, Joe Perry of Irving, Texas, Tom Perry of Lakewood, Colorado, Gebe Perry of Canton, Texas and Bill Perry Jr. of Cedar Hill, Texas and two sisters, Vera McKinney of

Euless, Texas and Faye Pafford of Dallas, Texas. (The Celina Record, Celina, Texas, Thursday, September 13, 1990) (2) Note: The gravestone at Cottage Hill Cemetery in Collin County, Texas has an engraved death date of September 9, 1990. (Cottage Hill Cemetery, Collin County, Texas, by Gayle Maxson, 2004, p. 631)

Joe Perry: Graveside services for Joe Perry, 68, of Rockwall, Texas were held Sunday, March 16, 1997, in Cottage Hill Cemetery under the direction of Cantrell Funeral Home of Celina. Mr. Perry died Saturday, March 15, 1997, in Lake Pointe Medical Center in Rowlett, Texas. Survivors are sons, Michael Perry of Rowlett and Mark Perry of Denton Texas; brothers, Tom Perry of Lakewood, Colorado, Gebe Perry of Canton, Texas and Bill Perry Jr. of Cedar Hill, Texas; sisters, Vera McKinney and Faye Pafford, both of Dallas, Texas; and four grandchildren. (The Celina Record, Celina, Texas, Thursday, March 20, 1997)

<u>Houston Willis "Jack" Perry</u>: Services for H. W. "Jack" Perry, 88, of Prosper, Texas will be 10 a.m. today, August 18, 1994, at Cantrell Funeral Chapel with Rev. Tommy Palmer and Krista Dixon officiating. Interment in Old Celina Cemetery under direction of Cantrell Funeral Home. Mr. Perry died Tuesday, August 16, 1994 in North Texas Medical Center in McKinney, Texas. He was born August 22, 1905 to J. W. and Dama Roberson Perry. He married Elizabeth Dobie December 22, 1929 in Prosper, Texas. He was a member of the Presbyterian Church in Prosper, a 32<sup>nd</sup> degree Scottish Rite Mason in Sanger, Texas and a retired feed and implement company owner. Surviving are his wife of Prosper; son, Jim Perry of Denton, Texas; daughter, Peggy Heist of Prosper; three sisters, Essie Crockett of Prosper, Ruby Stone of Celina, Texas and Velta Lester of Abilene, Texas; 4 grandchildren, 4 great-grandchildren; 1 great-great-grandchild. (The Celina Record, Celina, Texas, Thursday, August 18, 1994 p. 10)

Willie C. (Mugg) Perry: Funeral services for Mrs. Willie C. Perry, 79, of Portales, New Mexico were held at 10 a.m. Saturday April 4, 1992, at University Baptist Church in Portales with the Rev. Hugh Frazier and the Rev. Alfred Richard officiating. Mrs. Perry died Tuesday, March 31, 1992 at Roosevelt General Hospital in Portales. She was born November 9, 1914 in Collin County, the daughter of John and Jennie Mugg. She attended school in Anna, Texas and graduated from McKinney, Texas. She and George F. Perry were married February 16, 1933 in McKinney. The family moved to Celina, Texas in 1940, where they farmed and owned and operated a laundry. She moved to Portales in 1946 and operated Perry Laundry there until 1970. She and her husband George then served as fulltime house parents in the Baptist Children's Home in Portales for eight years. She was preceded in death by her husband on August 4, 1987, her parents, two brothers and one sister. She was the sisterin-law of Ted and Gladys Cave, Ruby Smith, Jack and Marie Perry, Dink and Francis Perry, Guy and Dorothy Perry and Pauline and Jack Birdson, all of Celina, Texas. Mr. and Mrs. Cave, the Dink and Guy Perry families, Sharron Cave of Celina and Daisy McCormick of Plano, Texas all attended the services. Other survivors are a son, Howard Perry of Roswell, New Mexico; two daughters, Jennie Sparks of Clovis, New Mexico and Mary Ellen Parkey of Gila, New Mexico; nine grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; and one great-grandchild. (The Celina Record, Celina, Texas, Thursday, April 9, 1992)

<u>Hugh Riley "Punk" Peterman</u>: A memorial service will be held for Hugh Riley "Punk" Peterman on Saturday, August 28, at 8:30 a.m. in Cottage Hill Cemetery. Mr. Peterman died April 21, 1993, in Salem, Oregon. Following cremation, his ashes were scattered over the Pacific Ocean off the

coast of Newport, Oregon. He was the son of the late Hugh B. and Claudie Phillips Peterman. He was born in Celina, Texas, March 29, 1929. He attended school in Celina, Texas and retired in June 1967, as ABH1 after 20 years in the U. S. Navy and from the University of Oregon Marine Science Center in Newport, Oregon, in June 1988. He was married to Sherry Carroll on August 18, 1952. He is survived by his wife Sherry of Salem, Oregon; stepdaughter Kathy Tyler of Toledo, Oregon; two brothers, Dale Peterman of Hurst, Texas and Donald Peterman of Frisco, Texas; two sisters, Betty McDonald of Dallas, Texas and Diane Strickland of Pilot Point, Texas; and three grandsons, Jeff, Gregg and Zach Tyler, all of Oregon. Memorial services will be conducted by Church of Christ Minister Rusty Peterman, nephew of the late Mr. Peterman. (The Celina Record, Celina, Texas, Thursday, August 26, 1993)

<u>Cov Ennis Phelps</u>: Services for Coy Ennis Phelps, 88, of Mesquite, Texas, formerly of Celina, Texas were held Tuesday, June 9, 1998 at Cantrell Funeral Chapel in Celina with Bro. Earnest Landry officiating. Mr. Phelps died June 7, 1998 in Mesquite, Texas. Burial was in Old Celina Cemetery. Arrangements were by Cantrell Funeral Home in Celina, Texas. Mr. Phelps was born March 18, 1910 in Celina, Texas to the late Thomas Hargis and Nancy Ellen Roberts Phelps. He married Garnetta Pope on September 27, 1931 in Durant, Oklahoma. She preceded him in death September 29, 1992. He was a retired vending company owner and a member of the Church of Christ. Survivors are son and daughter-in-law, Bob and Joyce Phelps of Mesquite, Texas; daughter and son–in-law Shirley and Don Goin of Cordova, Tennessee; sister, Camille Smith of Colorado Springs, Colorado; grandchildren, Jerry Goin of Memphis, Tennessee, Scott Phelps and Teresa Roofner, both of Dallas, Texas; great-grandchildren, Alexandra Goin and Anderson Goin, both of Memphis, Tennessee; Brian Roofner and Brad Roofner, both of Dallas, Texas, Thursday, June 11, 1998)

**Garnetta (Pope) Phelps**: Garnetta Phelps, 77, of Mesquite, Texas passed away Saturday morning, September 19, 1992, at the Christian Care Center. Born September 30, 1914, in Celina, Texas, she was the daughter of the late William and Lillie B. McNeal Pope. She married Coy Ennis Phelps September 27, 1931 in Durant, Oklahoma. She was a member of the Church of Christ. She is survived by her husband of Mesquite, Texas; son and daughter-in-law, Bob and Joyce Phelps of Mesquite; daughter and son-in-law, Shirley and Don Goin of Memphis, Tennessee; four grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. Services were 1:00 p.m. Tuesday on September 22, 1992 at Christian Care Center, Mesquite, Texas conducted by Bro. Virgil Bentley with interment in Old Celina Cemetery, Celina, Texas. Cantrell Funeral Home of Celina, Texas in charge of arrangements. (The Celina Record, Celina, Texas, Thursday, September 24, 1992 p. 9)

<u>Glen Carlton Philips</u>: Services for Glen C. Philips, 83, of Pottsboro, Texas were held at 3 p.m. Wednesday, March 1, 1995 in Cantrell Funeral Chapel with Rev. Hugh Dais and Rev. Gary Reichenbach officiating. Burial was in Cottage Hill Cemetery under direction of Johnson-Moore Funeral Home. Mr. Philips died Monday February 27, 1995, at Care Inn of Denison, Texas. He was born in Collin County, son of Richard and Jennie Earthman Philips. He attended Alla High School, north of Celina, Texas. On November 20, 1940 he married Kathleen Meachum in Celina. He was owner and operator of Philips Auto Supply in Celina and Philips TV and Radio Repair in Celina and Pottsboro. He was a Methodist. Surviving are his wife; daughters, Glenda Laney of Spring, Texas and Peggy Currie of North Richland Hills, Texas; sisters, Pearl Reneau of Richardson, Texas, Thursday, March 2,

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<u>Gussie (McWhirter) Philips</u>: Services for Gussie Philips, 84, of McKinney, Texas were held Friday, January 31, 1997 in the Turrentine-Jackson-Morrow Chapel with the Rev. Jim Dorff and the Rev. Kathy McLean-Davis officiating. Burial was in Cottage Hill Cemetery. Mrs. Philips was born October 23, 1912 in Weston, Texas to Will and Rosa Helms McWhirter. She married Ben C. Philips, October 12, 1934, in Collin County. She was an assembler for Texas Instruments and a member of the Methodist faith. Survivors are daughters, Pat Bates of McKinney, Texas, Stephanie Talbot of Dallas, Texas; sons, Monty Philips of McKinney; son-in-law, Mike Anderson of Richardson, Texas; sisters, Lois Luscombe of Melissa, Texas and Earline McWhirter of McKinney; four grandchildren; and several nieces, nephews and other relatives. She was preceded in death by her parents, husband, daughter Sandra Anderson and sisters, Mamie Crosswhite and Edna McWhirter. (The Celina Record, Celina, Texas, Thursday, February 6, 1997)

<u>Willie Louis (Francis) Philips</u>: Services for Willie Louis Francis Philips were held Saturday, November 30, 1996, at Waldo Funeral Home Chapel. She died Tuesday, November 26th at Integrated Health Systems in Sherman, Texas. The Rev. David Parker of First United Methodist Church in Sherman officiated and burial was in Cottage Hill Cemetery in Celina, Texas. Mrs. Philips was born April 7, 1912 in Celina, the daughter of W. E. (Fleetwood) and Nora Wester Francis. She was a graduate of Gunter High School in Gunter, Texas, and earned her degree from the University of North Texas in Denton, Texas. She married W. J. "Bill" Philips October 20, 1933, in Howe, Texas. He preceded her in death in 1967, after 35 years of marriage. Mrs. Philips was a school teacher having taught at Elm View four years, Gunter , Texas 10 years and Washington Elementary in Sherman, Texas 33 years. She retired from teaching in 1977 after educating children for 47 years. She was a member of First United Methodist Church, B&PW, State of Texas Association of Retired Teachers, Grayson County Association of Retired Teachers, National Retired Federal Employees Association, U. M. W. Lydia Group, The Triple L. Club and The Craft Club for Senior Citizens. Survivors are step-mother, Winnie Francis of Sherman, Texas and step-sister, Mildred Estes of Sherman. (The Celina Record, Celina, Texas, Thursday, December 5, 1996)

**Russell Thomas Phillips**: Graveside services with military honors and Masonic rites were held Sunday, November 15, 1998 for Russell Thomas Phillips, 71, of Ruffin at Tabor U. M. Church Cemetery with the Rev. Jim Lewis officiating. Mr. Phillips died Friday, November 13, 1998 in Colleton Medical Center in Walterboro. He was born October 24, 1927, in Celina, Texas, son of the late Arthur Winfield Phillips and Flossie Proffitt Phillips. He was a retired Navy Veteran serving in World War II, the Korean Conflict and the Vietnam War. He was a member of St. Jude's Episcopal Church, Bells Masonic Lodge #236, Omar Shrine Temple, and the Delta Lodge of Scottish Rite. Survivors are wife, Ouida Herndon Phillips; sons, Arthur A. Phillips of Greensboro, North Carolina and Russell T. Phillips Jr. of Ruffin; daughter, Elizabeth P. Cranston of Palm Bay, Florida; brother, Carl Phillips of Dallas, Texas; sisters, Julia Rucker of Celina, Movelda Miller of Mesquite, Texas and Martha Ellen Mason of McKinney; four grandchildren, Catherine A. Phillips, Arthur A. Phillips Jr., Annie A. Cranston and Elise E. Cranston. (The Celina Record, Celina, Texas, Thursday, December 3, 1998)

Steven B. Phillips: Two articles: (1) Services for Steven B. Phillips, 34, of Dallas, Texas were held Tuesday, October 15, 1996 in Dallas, Texas. Mr. Phillips died Saturday, October 12, 1996, following a lengthy illness. He was born March 18, 1962, in McKinney, Texas. He was a 1980 graduate

of Celina High School and worked many years in the Dallas Metroplex in property management. He was preceded in death by grandparents, A. W. Phillips Jr. of McKinney, Texas and Cotton and Loreta Nelson of Celina, Texas. Survivors are parents, Bud and Patsy Phillips of Celina, Texas; grandmother, Anna Rae Phillips of McKinney, Texas; sister and brother-in-law, Jill and Paul Rodarmer of Franklin, Maine; nieces, Meredith, Courtney, Lauren and Bethany; nephew, Nelson. (The Celina Record, Celina, Texas, Thursday, October 17, 1996) (2) To our friends and family: There is no way to measure the value of your love, encouragement and prayers for us during the past year. Thanks to each of you for every act of kindness shown to us. God has blessed us with peace and assurance that Steve is now in heaven. The family of Steven Phillips: Bud & Pat Phillips, Jill & Paul Rodarmer & family. (The Celina Record, Celina, Texas, Thursday, October 17, 1996)

<u>Ann (Cunningham) Phipps</u>: Funeral services for Mrs. Ann Phipps, 74, will be held today at 2 p.m. at Cantrell Funeral Chapel in Celina, Texas with the Rev. Ron Hathcoat officiating. Burial will be in Little Elm Cemetery. Mrs. Phipps died Sunday, December 27, 1992, at her residence in Dallas. She was born November 11, 1918 in Denton, Texas, the daughter of the late Richard L. and Rose Etta James Cunningham. She and Loma Edward Phipps were married December 8, 1947, in Dallas, Texas. She was a beauty salon owner and a member of the Baptist faith. Survivors are four sons, Douglas Owens of Blue Ridge, Texas, Ben Owens of Rhea's Mill, Texas, Ronnie Phipps of Denton, Texas and Eddie Phipps of Austin, Texas; one daughter, Shirley McCormack of Plano, Texas; two brothers, Earl Cunningham of Frisco, Texas and R. L. Cunningham of Bridgeport, Texas; 12 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. (The Celina Record, Celina, Texas, Thursday, December 31, 1992)

**Bonnie Doy (Langham) Plumlee**: Funeral services for Bonnie Doy Langham Plumlee, 94, of Los Angeles, California and formerly of Celina, Texas were held at 2:30 p.m. Tuesday, December 29, 1992 at Cantrell Funeral Chapel. Burial was in Old Celina Cemetery in Celina, Texas. Mrs. Plumlee died Monday, December 21, 1992 in California. She was born February 9, 1898 in Bell County, the daughter of George Langham and Mary Lula Moss. She was a homemaker and a member of Tuley Street Methodist Church. Survivors are one daughter, Dorothy Birnbaum of Los Angeles; and one grandson, Bill R. Robertson of California. (The Celina Record, Celina, Texas, Thursday, December 24, 1992)

<u>Alla (Mallone) Pool</u>: Graveside services for Alla Mallone Pool, 90, of Sanger, Texas were held Tuesday, July 15, 1997, at West End Cemetery in Stephenville, Texas. Mrs. Pool was born August 1, 1906, in Celina, Texas to George Newton and Leona Bozarth Mallone. She married Abner R. Poll in Denton, Texas on May 31, 1946. She graduated from Texas Normal Teachers College (University of North Texas). She was a retired schoolteacher and a member of First United Methodist Church in Denton, Texas. Survivors are several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her husband and two sisters, Hixie Mallone Chrismon and Mable Mallone Moses, both of Denton, Texas. (The Celina Record, Celina, Texas, Thursday, July 17, 1997)

**Leslie Hugh Pope**: Funeral services for Hugh Pope, 75, of Weston, Texas were held Sunday, June 6, 1993, at First Baptist Church of Weston with Rev. Jim Poole and Rev. Mac Pope officiating. Masonic graveside services were conducted at Cottage Hill Cemetery under direction of Cantrell Funeral Home. Mr. Pope died Friday, June 4, 1993 at his residence in Weston, Texas. He was born December 7, 1917 in Anna, Texas, son of the late Calvin and Sarah Matthews Pope. He and Willie Hall Vines were married March 29, 1967 in Durant, Oklahoma. Mr. Pope was retired from Texas Power and

Light and was a member of First Baptist Church in Weston. He was also a member of Mantua Masonic Lodge #209 AF & AM and Leah Elliott Chapter #119 Order of Eastern Star in Van Alstyne, Texas. Survivors are his wife; three sons, Hugh Ben Pope of Paris, Texas, Randal Pope of Royce City, Texas and Richard Pope of Plano, Texas; two daughters, Sarah Hanks of Garland, Texas and Judy Skow of Plano, Texas, Three sisters, Opal Gracy, Jackie Speck and Alma Jackson all of Weston; 8 grandchildren and 1 great-grandson; nieces and nephews. (The Celina Record, Celina, Texas, Thursday, June 10, 1993 p. 11)

**Thomas Alonzo Pope**: Funeral services for Thomas Alonzo Pope, 89, of Clifton, Texas were 2 p.m. Wednesday, August 19, 1992 at Cantrell Funeral Home Chapel in Celina, Texas with Revs. Jim Poole, Clyde Moore and Mac Pope officiating. Interment in Cottage Hill Cemetery. Mr. Pope died Monday, August 17, 1992 in a Clifton, Texas hospital. He was son of Calvin and Sarah Matthews Pope. He and Oma Waters married Jan. 23, 1923, in Oklahoma. He was a retired barber and a Baptist. Survivors are his wife; one son, J. C. Pope of Clifton, Texas; one brother, Hugh Pope of Weston, Texas; three sisters, Opal Gracy, Alma Jackson and Jackie Speck, all of Weston, Texas; and three grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren. (The Celina Record, Celina, Texas, Thursday, August 20, 1992)

<u>Carly Jo Porath</u>: Graveside services were 2 p.m. Wednesday, August 19, 1992, at Cottage Hill Cemetery for Carly Jo Porath, two-week old daughter of Carl Philip Michael Porath II and Christy Jo Castleberry Porath of Denton, Texas with Cantrell Funeral Home of Celina, Texas in charge of arrangements. Carly Jo died Monday August 17, 1992 at Cook Children's Hospital in Ft. Worth. She was born August 3, 1992 in Ft. Worth, Texas. Survivors are parents; grandparents, Clint and Betty Castleberry of Cedar Creek Lake, Texas and Carl and Diane Porath of Celina, Texas; and great-grandmother, Louise Tuisenberry of Ft. Worth, Texas. (The Celina Record, Celina, Texas, Thursday, August 20, 1992)

<u>Cecil W. Porter</u>: Funeral services for Cecil W. Porter, 86, of Celina, Texas will be 2 p.m. Friday at Turrentine-Jackson-Morrow Funeral Chapel with Rev. David Kautt and Tim Sublett officiating. Mr. Porter died Tuesday, July 22, 1997, at Celina Care Center. Burial will be in Cottage Hill Cemetery. Mr. Porter was born June 27, 1911 in Melissa, Texas, son of William Guyer Porter and Dora Estelle Phillips. He married Stella Corine Flannery November 6, 1937, in Van Alstyne. He was a farmer and member of Northwest Christian Church in McKinney and Woodmen of the World. Survivors include his wife of Celina, Texas; daughter, Yvonne Heistand of Celina; son, Carl Porter of Ore City; grandchildren, Jeff Porter of Garland, Texas, Mike McGarrah and Scott Heistand both of Celina, Texas, Laura Haddox of Mansfield, Texas; great-grandchildren, Jeremy and Brandy McGarrah and Collin Heistand of Celina, Texas and Sam and Jeffrey Porter of Garland, Texas; sisters, Thelma Giles of Visalia, California, Elizabeth Graves and Erma Adney of Leander, Alice Rockett of Corsicana, Texas and Jo Ann Preston of Pasco, Washington; brothers, Tom Porter of Anna, Texas and G .W. Porter of Mesquite, Texas. (The Celina Record, Celina, Texas, Thursday, July 24, 1997)

**Edith Porter**: Services for Edith "Granny" Porter, 81, of Anna were held at 1 p.m. Friday, December 30, 1994, in Restland Abbey Chapel in Dallas with Rev. Mike Miller officiating. Restland Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements. Mrs. Porter died Tuesday, December 27, 1994, in North Texas Medical Center in McKinney. She was born January 11, 1913. She was preceded in death by her husband of 28 years, Harry J. Porter Sr. Survivors include her daughters, Cissie Mosier of Anna and

Marie Hall of Boerne; son, Harry J. Porter Jr. of Blue Ridge; grandchildren, Ann Marie O'Neal, Lynn Michael, Matthew and Lacey Mosier, Gordon Lee Hall and Robin Lynn Johnson; sisters, Arelia Scott of Dallas and Gladys Fowler of Garland; and brother, Bailey Dickerson of Celina. Memorials may be made to The American Heart Association, 1615 Stemmons Freeway, Dallas, 75207, or to the Arthritis Foundation, 2824 Swiss Avenue, Dallas, 75204. (The Celina Record, Celina, Texas, Thursday, January 6, 1995)

Edwin F. Powers: Newspaper article and a notation. (1) Word has been received of the death of Edwin F. Powers, 45, a native of McKinney, Texas on May 19, 1990, following a lengthy illness. Mr. Powers was a member of the staff of the Committee of Appropriations in the United States House of Representatives in Washington. He was born in McKinney, Texas May 2, 1945. He attended public schools there and earned his bachelor's degree from Austin College and held a master's degree from the University of Texas. In 1969, he entered government service as a state budget officer under Gov. Preston Smith, where he served until 1973. He was clerk of the Foreign Operations Committee of the House from 1980 to 1985, then on the full committee staff. Survivors are brothers Tim and Kim Powers of New York; one aunt, Altha Robinson of Plano, Texas; and a great-aunt, Bonnie Tucker of Cottage Hill, Collin County, Texas. Mr. Power's mother, Creola Perkins Powers, taught school in the Celina, Prosper and McKinney systems. (The Celina Record, Celina, Texas, Thursday, May 27, 1990) (2) Note: Edwin F. Powers is buried in Cottage Hill Cemetery in Collin County, Texas next to his mother, Creola (Perkins) Powers. Their locations are S-83-13 and S-83-14. (Cottage Hill Cemetery, Collin County, Texas by Gayle Maxson, 2004, p. 510)

<u>Gerald Palmer Red</u>: Graveside services for Gerald Palmer Red, 40, of Celina, Texas were held at 10 a.m. Wednesday in Alexander Cemetery, near Anna, Texas. Rev. Lynn Vowell officiated and Flesher Funeral Home of Van Alstyne was in charge of arrangements. Mr. Red died Monday, August 8, 1994 at his home. Mr. Red was born in Miami, Florida, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Calvin J. Red. Surviving are his wife, Marcia Kay Red of Celina; parents of Anna; sisters, Joyce Encizo, Margerite Richardson and Constance Harris all of Anna, Texas; and brother, Thomas Red of Anna. (The Celina Record, Celina, Texas, Thursday, August 18, 1994)

<u>William Thurman Redden</u>: Graveside services for William Thurman Redden, 91, were held Monday, May 5, 1997, at West Hill Cemetery with the Rev. Randy Reddell of Central Christian Church officiating. He died Friday, May 2, 1997, at his residence. Mr. Redden was born January 31, 1906 in Waxahachie, Texas to Sidney Alexander Redden and Mary Frances Chase Redden. He attended Weston schools and married Ethel Lacy in 1925. She preceded him in death September 28, 1958. In 1939, Mr. Redden moved to Sherman, Texas from Dallas, Texas with Meadow Lake Dairies. He was employed in 1949 as the distributor for Borden Milk Company until his retirement at age 65. He was a member of the Disciples of Christ Church. Survivors are son, Dwayne Redden and wife Norma of Pottsboro, Texas; sisters, Daisy Craft of McKinney, Texas and Madee Arbuthnot of Garland, Texas; daughter-inlaw, Jerry Nell Redden of Van Alstyne, Texas; six grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandchild. (The Celina Record, Celina, Texas, Thursday, May 8, 1997)

**Donald C. Reece**: Services for Donald C. Reece of Prosper, Texas will be at 2 p.m. today (Thursday) at Turrentine-Jackson-Morrow Funeral Chapel with Rev. Tommy Palmer and Rev. Christa Dixon officiating. Burial will be at Ridgeview Memorial Park. Mr. Reece died Wednesday, February 15, 1995, at Care Inn of Sanger, Texas. He was born December 8, 1915, in Waxahachie, Texas to

Augustus and Jewel Alene Pennington Reece. He married Lois Johnson in 1944 in Dallas, Texas. He was a postmaster for Prosper Post Office for 18 years, and a member of First Methodist Church of Prosper, the Masonic Lodge No. 26 and the Postmaster's Association. Mr. Reece was a master mason and a veteran of WWII in the Navy. He is survived by his wife, Lois Reece of Prosper; two daughters, Sharon Bembry of Arlington, Texas and Carol Hoover of Round Rock, Texas; one sister, Mary Anna Kirby of Arlington; one brother, Robert H. Couser of Orange, Texas; three grandchildren and one great-granddaughter. (The Celina Record, Celina, Texas, Thursday, February 16, 1995)

Leda Elizabeth (Stroud) Reed: Funeral services for Leda Elizabeth Reed, 90, of Gunter were held at 2 p.m. Wednesday, January 26, in College Hill Church of Christ, where she was a member. Burial was in Gunter Cemetery. Mrs. Reed died Monday, January 24, 1994 in a Sherman hospital. She was born in Van Alstyne, Texas, the daughter of John and Lou Ida Mayes Stroud. She married William E. Reed in 1922. Survivors are four sons, Tommy Reed and Curtis Paul Reed, both of Gunter and John Reed and Robert Reed, both of Cleburne; 12 grandchildren, 20 great-grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. (The Celina Record, Celina, Texas, Thursday, January 27, 1994)

Elizabeth Marie (Rothfus) Reeves: Graveside services for Elizabeth Marie Reeves, 70, of McKinney, Texas were held at 2 p.m. Monday, March 9, 1992 at Ridgeview Memorial Park in McKinney with the Rev. Ron Hathcoat officiating. Mrs. Reeves, a homemaker died Saturday, March 7, 1992 in McKinney. She was born June 29, 1921 in Sachse, Texas, the daughter of John G. Rothfus and Annie Catharine Poynter. She married Troup V. Reeves, who preceded her in death. Survivors are a daughter, Betty McClain of Capistrano, California; four sons, Fred Reeves of Lancaster, Texas, Jack Reeves and Gary Reeves of Frisco, Texas and Ben Reeves of Grand Prairie, Texas; two grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; three brothers, John Rothfus of Celina, Billy Rothfus of Arkansas and David Rothfus of San Antonio, Texas; seven sisters, Clara Hensley of Richardson, Texas, Dollie Kissinger of Dallas, Texas, Ana Lou Gentle and Mary Barger of Allen, Texas, Martha Boyd of Garland, Texas, Jerry Edwards of Carrollton, Texas and Virginia McKissick of Arlington, Texas. (The Celina Record, Celina, Texas, Thursday, March 12, 1992)

Leonard A. Reneau: Services for Leonard A. Reneau, 88, of Irving, Texas will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday, April 1, 1995 at Hughes Jefferson Chapel in Dallas, Texas with Rev. Kathy Idol officiating. Burial will be in Laurel Land Memorial Park. Mr. Reneau died Tuesday, March 28, 1995. He was born September 24, 1906, in the Bethel Community. Mr. Reneau was a retired plant supervisor with H. L. Hunt Company. He had participated in many gospel quartets and following his retirement, he and his wife, Irma, volunteered much of their time singing at Cliff Manor, Tyler Street Manor, the Salvation Army, senior citizens clubs and churches. He is survived by his wife, Irma McCants Reneau of Irving, Texas; daughter, Nona Nielson of Victoria; two grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. (The Celina Record, Celina, Texas, Thursday, April 6, 1995)

Sarah Emma Reneau: Graveside services for Sarah Emma Reneau, 81, of Denton, Texas were held at 11 a.m. Saturday at Harmony Cemetery in Winnsboro, Texas with the Rev. Edd Painter officiating. Mrs. Reneau died Thursday, October 11, 1990 at the Vintage Care Center in Denton. She was born December 9, 1908 in Brownwood, Texas and married M. J. Reneau on January 23, 1928. He preceded her in death in 1966. She was a member of Bell Avenue Methodist Church and a retired food service worker at the Denton State School. Survivors are a son and daughter-in-law, Don and Nancy Reneau of Prosper, Texas and one grandson, Bobby Reneau. (The Celina Record, Celina, Texas,

Thursday, October 18, 1990)

<u>Alex B. Rhodes</u>: Funeral services for Alex B. Rhodes, 59, of Celina, Texas were held Saturday, March 23 at 11 a.m. in St. Phillips Baptist Church in Celina with Cedar Crest Funeral Home of Dallas, Texas in charge of arrangements. Mr. Rhodes died at his home in Celina Tuesday, March 19, 1991. He was born June 4, 1931 in Tulsa, Oklahoma, the son of Florinea and Jim Rhodes. He was a member of the armed forces. Survivors are his mother, Florinea Coy of Celina, Texas; a daughter, Mrs. Sharon A. Rhodes of McKinney, Texas; two sons, Robert E. Rhodes of Fort Worth, Texas and Alex B. Rhodes of Irving, Texas; a sister, Mrs. Lurisa Varner of Celina, Texas; a brother, Robert L. Rhodes of Dallas, Texas. (The Celina Record, Celina, Texas, Thursday, March 28, 1991 p. 12)

<u>Charlie W. Richardson Jr.</u>: Services for Charlie W. Richardson, 72, of Dallas, Texas will be held Saturday, April 5, 1997 at 11 a.m. at St. Phillips Baptist Church in Celina, Texas. Burial will be in Celina Cemetery. Mr. Richardson was born July 3, 1927 in Aldoss, the son of Cara Walker and Charlie W. Richardson Sr. Survivors are wife, Laura Mae Perry Richardson of Dallas, Texas; son, David Richardson of Celina, Texas; daughters, Ada Fay Williams, Linda Ruth Dotson and Annetta Thompson all of Celina, Texas; sisters, Dorothy M. Richardson, Bessie M. Long and Beatrice Williams all of Dallas, Texas and Helen Richardson Coby of Lewisville, Texas. (The Celina Record, Celina, Texas, Thursday, April 3, 1997)

**Fave (King) Riggs**: Funeral services for Celina native, Faye Riggs, 65, were held at 12 p.m. Friday, November 24, 1995 at Restland Memorial Chapel in Dallas, Texas with Keith Lay officiating. Burial was in Restland Memorial Park. Mrs. Riggs died November 22, 1995 at her residence in Dallas, Texas. She was born July 5, 1918, the daughter of Tracy and Dortha Holford King. She is survived by two sons and daughters-in-law, John Riggs Jr. and wife Elease of Dallas, Texas and Billy Joe Riggs and wife Annette of Ben Wheeler, Texas; grandchildren, Melissa, Christina and Dani; four brothers, Robert King of Celina, Joe King, Tracy King and Monroe King; and three sisters, Millie Lee, Janette Carrier and Mary Sue Haven. (The Celina Record, Celina, Texas, Thursday, November 30, 1995)

**Ruth (Kenner) Rigsby**: Services for Ruth Rigsby, 88, of Howe, Texas will be held at 1 p.m. today (Thursday, March 5, 1998) in the First Baptist Church of Howe with Rev. Roger Tidwell officiating. Burial will follow in Van Alstyne Cemetery. Mrs. Rigsby died Sunday, March 1, 1998 at Post Oak Nursing Home in Sherman, Texas. She is survived by her sons, Henry Carroll Rigsby of Riverton, Wyoming, Elvis Leon Rigsby of Houston, Texas, Ralph Eugene Rigsby of Wolfe Point, Montana and Larry Frank Rigsby of Farmers Branch, Texas; sisters, Ruby Helms of McKinney, Texas, Bonnie Rutherford of Celina, Texas, Cleo Boyer of McKinney, Texas and Dorothy Wilson of Princeton, Texas; brothers, Jim Kenner of Winnsboro, Texas and Wade Kenner of Celina, Texas; 11 grandchildren, 26 great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild. (The Celina Record, Celina, Texas, Thursday, March 5, 1998)

**James Wilbur Riley**: Funeral services for James Wilbur Riley, 64, of Celina, Texas will be held at 2 p.m. today at First Baptist Church in Celina with the Rev. Brian Waite and the Rev. Luther Slay officiating. Interment will be in Krum Cemetery. Mr. Riley died Tuesday, December 24, 1991 at his home. He was born in Krum, Texas, the son of the late James Marten and Stella Yatts Riley. He and Eloise Tischler were married in Celina, Texas, November 16, 1949. Mr. Riley was a farmer and rancher, a veteran of World War II and a member of First Baptist Church in Celina. Survivors are his

wife of Celina, Texas; a daughter, Sandra Hollar of Pilot Point, Texas; one brother, John Riley of Euless, Texas; two sisters, Delma Jones of Euless and Wanda Blackstock of Fort Worth, Texas; and two grandchildren. (The Celina Record, Celina, Texas, Thursday, December 26, 1991)

**Patsy Ruth (Nelson) Rincon**: Funeral services for Patsy Ruth Rincon, 47, of Prosper, Texas were held at 2 p.m. Wednesday, May 2, 1990 at Turrentine-Jackson-Morrow Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. Randy Stevens officiating. Interment was in Ridgeview Memorial Park. Mrs. Rincon died Monday April 30, 1990 at North Texas Medical Center in McKinney, Texas. She was born July 25, 1942 in McKinney and was the daughter of Raymond Houston and Nola Gertrude Kissinger Nelson. She and George Rincon were married September 17, 1965 in Oklahoma. Mrs. Rincon was a nurse and a member of Walnut Grove Presbyterian Church. Survivors are a daughter, Lisa S. Rincon of Prosper; her mother, Nola of Prosper; a brother, Mike Nelson of Prosper; a sister, Peggy Williams of Prosper; and a number of nieces and nephews. (The Celina Record, Celina, Texas, Thursday, May 3, 1990)

Jimmie Lee "Shelley" Roberson: Funeral services for Jimmie Lee "Shelley" Roberson, 80, of Farmersville, Texas were held at 10 a.m. Wednesday at Flesher Funeral Home Chapel in Van Alstyne, Texas with Frank and Rick Garner officiating. Ms. Roberson died Sunday, October 5, 1997, at Pavilion Nursing Home in McKinney, Texas. Burial was at Cottage Hill Cemetery under the direction of Flesher Funeral Home. Ms. Roberson was born August 29, 1917, in Weston, Texas to James Schuyler Shelley, Sr. and Susie Mary Bozarth Shelley. Mrs. Roberson was employed as a secretary. Survivors include two sisters, Mary Garner of Greenville, Texas and Gertrude Hayes of Plainview, Texas; several nieces and nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews. (The Celina Record, Celina, Texas, Thursday, October 9, 1997)

<u>Helen B. (McClure) Roberts</u>: Services for Helen Roberts, 91, of Houston, Texas were held Saturday, November 9, 1966, in Cantrell Funeral Chapel in Celina, Texas. She died November 7, 1996 in Houston. Burial was in Old Celina Cemetery. Mrs. Roberts was born March 6, 1905, in Corsicana, Texas, daughter of the late Samuel and Margaret Hardeman McClure. She married Joe Roberts and he preceded her in death in 1956. She was a member of the Christian faith, Celina Chapter #587, O.E.S. and was a homemaker. Survivors are nieces, Jacqueline Morgan of Houston and Lillian Ray of Orange, Texas. (The Celina Record, Celina, Texas, Thursday, November 14, 1996)

Hazel J. (Freeman) Robinson: Funeral services for Hazel J. Robinson, 83, of McKinney, Texas were held at 1 a.m. today, at Turrentine-Jackson-Morrow Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Tom Gaumer and Rev. Frank Morgan officiating. Interment was in Cottage Hill Cemetery. Mrs. Robinson died Tuesday, May 7, 1991 at North Texas Medical Center in McKinney, Texas. She was born March 18, 1908, in Barry, daughter of John D. and Martha Jeanette Champion Freeman and married Cecil G. Robinson. He preceded her in death, as did her parents, two sons, four brothers and one sister. She was a homemaker and member of Cottage Hill Methodist Church. Survivors are one son and daughter-in-law, Jerry and Anna Robinson of McKinney, Texas; a grandson, David Robinson of Dallas, Texas; a granddaughter and husband, Debra and Larry Pintar of McKinney, Texas; a great-granddaughter Vanissa Pinter of McKinney; three sisters, Irma Scott of Gunter, Texas, Gaye Lindsey of McKinney and Johnnie May Myers of Summerville, Georgia; nieces and nephews. (The Celina Record, Celina, Texas, Thursday, May 9, 1991 p. 9)

**Lyman D. Robinson**: Funeral services for Lyman D. Robinson, 86, of McKinney, Texas were held at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, December 18, 1990 at First United Methodist Church in McKinney with the Rev. Jack Gibson and the Rev. Michael Haynes officiating. Interment was in the Van Alstyne Cemetery. Mr. Robinson died Saturday, December 15, 1990 at his home. He was a native of Van Alstyne, Texas and a career educator. He served in a coaching and principal's role at Howe, Texas and Celina, Texas and was a former McKinney ISD principal. He was formerly superintendent of Collin County Schools. Throughout his career he was active in school related efforts at the state and local levels. Survivors are a son, Lyman "Don" Robinson of McKinney; a daughter, Linda Robinson Sullivan of Denison, Texas; five grandchildren and one great-grandchild. (The Celina Record, Celina, Texas, Thursday, December 20, 1990)

<u>Jesse Rae Rogers</u>: Memorial services for Jesse Rae Rogers, 82, of Rockwall, Texas will be held Saturday, July 18, 1998 at 10 a.m. in Cottage Hill Cemetery. Arrangements are under the direction of Cantrell Funeral Home of Celina, Texas. Mr. Rogers died Sunday, July 5, 1998. He was born September 9, 1915 in Collin County, son of the late Arthur and Ellen O'Dell Rogers. He was a retired machinist with Chance-Vaught Aircraft. Survivors are George Edward Rogers of Rockwall, Texas; daughter, Joyce Raines of Rockwall, Texas and sister, Mary Shaff of Sweet Home, Oregon. (The Celina Record, Celina, Texas, Thursday, July 16, 1998)

Lorene Rogers: Graveside services for Lorene Rogers of Sherman, Texas, 66, were held Wednesday, October 24, 1990, at Old Celina Cemetery with the Rev. Ron Hathcoat officiating. Mrs. Rogers died Monday, October 22, 1990. She was born February 11, 1924 in Grayson County, Texas, the daughter of Thomas Andrew and Jewel Mae (Owens) Rogers. She was a member of First Baptist Church of Sherman. Survivors are a brother-in-law, Allen Bartlett of Sherman; a sister-in-law, Mary Rogers of Celina, Texas; six nieces and nephews. (The Celina Record, Celina, Texas, Thursday, October 25, 1990 p. 2)

Mary Oline Rolater: Memorial services will be held at 10:30 Monday, February 15, 1993, in the B. Building Chapel of C. C. Young Memorial Home in Dallas for Mary Oline Rolater, 85, with Dr. Ramon Womack of First Methodist Church officiating. Ms. Rolater died Sunday, February 7, 1993 in Dallas, Texas. She was born February 8, 1907, in Clarksville, the daughter of Willie Olin Rolater of Celina and Edna McAnear. She graduated from Wylie High School and her life was devoted to her family, friends and the children she taught. After receiving her teaching certificate in 1929, she began a teaching career that spanned four decades. While teaching in Mingus from 1929 to 1936, she completed her BS at North Texas State Teacher's College. She taught in Wink from 1936 to 1944, receiving her MS from Vanderbilt University in 1941. In 1944 she joined the Dallas ISD where she taught until her retirement in 1973. She was a member of Delta Kappa Gamma and the First Methodist Church of Dallas. She is survived by her nephew, Rick Rolater of Dallas; great-nephews, Charles Rolater and John Rolater; cousin, Liska Webb; and her special Friend, Gaynell Crawford. (The Celina Record, Celina, Texas, Thursday, February 11, 1993)

Lylan Lee (Stone) Roller: Funeral services for Lylan Lee Roller, 89, of Celina, Texas will be held at 4 p.m. Thursday, June 10, 1999, at Cantrell Funeral Chapel with John Allen officiating. Interment will be in Cottage Hill Cemetery. Mrs. Roller died Monday, June 7, 1999 at Kern Manor in Pilot Point, Texas. She was born May 24, 1910 in Celina, Texas, the daughter of the late Bedford Cleveland and Pearl Hayes Stone. She and Johnny Andrew Roller Sr. were married July 2, 1925, in

Sherman, Texas. She was a member of the Celina Church of Christ and was a housewife. Survivors are one son, Johnny Roller of Celina, Texas; one daughter, Patricia Allen of Celina; two brothers, Eugene Stone and Hugh M. Stone of Celina; one sister, Edith Moore of Celina; five grandchildren, seven great-grandchildren and four great-great-grandchildren. (The Celina Record, Celina, Texas, June 10, 1999, p. 8)

James Franklin Rucker: Funeral services for James Franklin Rucker, 79, of Celina, Texas were held at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, June 4, 1997, at Cantrell Funeral Chapel in Celina with Rev. Bob Layman officiating. Mr. Rucker died Monday, June 2, 1997, at Columbia Medical Center in McKinney, Texas. Burial was in Cottage Hill Cemetery under the direction of Cantrell Funeral Home. Mr. Rucker was born December 7, 1917 in Celina, Texas, the son of the late B. H. and Lillie Mize Rucker. He was a farmer and a member of the Baptist faith. Survivors include his son, Don Rucker of Celina; daughter, Linda Johnson of Celina; four grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; and close friend Frances Stewart of Celina. (The Celina Record, Celina, Texas, Thursday, June 5, 1997)

Lee Rucker: Services for Lee Rucker, 85, of Celina, Texas are set for 2 p.m. Saturday, August 9, 1997, at First Baptist Church in Celina with Dr. Raymond Horne, the Rev. Bob Layman and the Rev. Ron Hathcoat officiating. Burial will follow in Cottage Hill Cemetery in Celina. Family visitation is set for 6-8 p.m. Friday evening at Cantrell Funeral Home in Celina. Rucker died Wednesday night, August 6, 1997, at Columbia Medical Center in McKinney, Texas. He was born August 27, 1911 in Celina, Texas, to Arthur and Alla George Rucker. He married Julia Irene Phillips on May 11, 1935, in Celina. Rucker graduated from Alla High School. He was the owner of a Celina grocery store for many years. He also was a member of the First Baptist Church in Celina where he was a long time deacon. Rucker was a former member of the Celina ISD board of trustees, a volunteer fireman, president of the Cottage Hill Cemetery Association, member of the Woodmen of the World for 65 years and was active in all community activities. He was preceded in death by his parents and one brother, Allen Rucker. Memorials may be made to the First Baptist Church Building Fund. Survivors include his wife of 62 years, Julia Rucker of Celina; two sons, Jimmy Rucker and A. L. Rucker and his wife, Carole all of Celina; a daughter, Lynell Pinion and her husband, Ray of Frisco, Texas; four grandchildren, Jimmy Rucker of Denver, Colorado, Byron Pinion of Houston, Texas, Kimberly Alexander of Laredo, Texas and Robyn Bercaw of Pittstown, New Jersey; six great-grandchildren; a brother, Horace Rucker of McKinney, Texas; two sisters, Minnie Bass and Wilma Scott, both of McKinney; and a host of other relatives and friends. (The Celina Record, Celina, Texas, Thursday, August 7, 1997)

**Buna** (Coffey) Rue: Funeral services for Buna Coffey Rue, 95, of Celina, Texas were held at 2 p.m. Sunday, December 16, 1990, at Cantrell Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. Banks Dishmon officiating. Interment was in Good Hope Cemetery. Mrs. Rue died Friday, December 14, 1990 at Celina Care Center. She was born July 6, 1895, in Aubrey, Texas, the daughter of W. R. Coffey and Nancy Tidmore Coffey. She and Grover C. Rue Sr. were married November 22, 1920. He preceded her in death in 1978. She taught school in Gladewater, Carrollton and New Hope and was a retired Aubrey postmaster. She was a member of the Presbyterian Church. Survivors are one son, Grover C. Rue Jr. of Celina, Texas; a daughter, Lanell Giles of Dallas, Texas; four grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren. Memorials may be made to the Good Hope Cemetery, P. O. Box 27, Celina, Texas 75009. (The Celina Record, Celina, Texas, Thursday, December 20, 1990)

Margaret (LoCoco) Sagnibene: Mass of the Christian Burial was said for Margaret LoCoco Sagnibene, 103, of Dallas, Texas at 10 a.m. Tuesday, May 30, 1995 at St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church in Dallas with the Rev. Msgr. John T. Gulezynski officiating. Burial was in Calvary Hill Mausoleum under the direction of Sparkman-Hillcrest Funeral Home. Mrs. Sagnibene died Saturday, May 27, 1995. She was born February 15, 1892, in Palermo, Sicily, and emigrated to Bayou Current, Louisiana in 1902 with her parents, Frank and Mary Domino LoCoco, and five sisters and one brother. She and Frank Sagnibene were married February 17, 1912. They were married 62 years and he preceded her in death in 1974. The couple moved to Dallas in 1920, and owned an independent grocery store until retirement in 1939. Mrs. Sagnibene is survived by one daughter, Francis Donathan; one son and daughter-in-law, Joe and Emma Lou Sagnibene of Celina, Texas; five grandchildren, Margaret Ann Sagnibene, Frances Sagnibene Donaldson, Robert Donathan, Cathy Sagnibene Apple of Celina and Debbie Donathan Price; five great-grandchildren, Joe and Buddy Apple of Celina, Joy Donathan, Robert Donathan Jr. and Francesca Price. Pallbearers were Bob Apple, Rick Donaldson, Robert L. Price, Peter Robillata, Mike Vullo and John Van Horn. Memorials may be made to Meals on Wheels, 1440 W. Mockingbird Lane, Dallas, Texas 75247. (The Celina Record, Celina, Texas, Thursday, June 1, 1995)

**Elma C. (Fleming) Salter**: Graveside services for Elma C. Salter, 90, of Hilltop Haven Nursing Home in Gunter, Texas were held Thursday, May 17, 1990 at 3 p.m. at Mission Cemetery with Earl Sidney Hardin of San Antonio, Texas officiating. She died Tuesday, May 15, 1990 at North Texas Medical Center in McKinney, Texas. Mrs. Salter was born in Fairview, Texas in Wilson County, the daughter of S. J. and Martha Haul Fleming. She and Ray Salter were married in 1922 in San Antonio, Texas. (The Celina Record, Celina, Texas, Thursday, May 24, 1990)

**Dillard C. Sarrett**: Services for Dillard C. Sarrett, 88, were held Saturday, September 7, 1996 at Westside Church of Christ in McKinney, Texas with Bro. Tom Gaumer and Bro Allen Jenkins officiating. Burial was in Bluff City Cemetery, Bluff City, Arkansas with Bro. Ordis Copeland officiating. Mr. Sarrett died Thursday, September 4, 1996, at Columbia Medical Center in McKinney, Texas. He was born July 1, 1908, in Rosston, Arkansas, to Samuel Jasper Sarrett and Mollie Etta Barksdale Sarrett. He married Lois Nelson November 23, 1929, in Nevada County, Arkansas. He was a member of Church of Christ and a minister for over 43 years. Survivors are son, Ronald D. Sarrett of Celina, Texas; brothers, Sam Sarrett of Texarkana, Arkansas, and Dale Sarrett, Rex Daniel Sarrett and Rhonda Denise Sarrett all of Celina, Texas; great-grandchildren, Brittani Sarrett and Rowdy Sarrett of Celina. (The Celina Record, Celina, Texas, Thursday, September 12, 1996)

Judith Ann (Rickerson) Sarrett: Services for Judith Ann Sarrett, 46, of Celina, Texas will be held today, August 22, 1996 at Westside Church of Christ, McKinney, Texas with Bro. Tom Gaumer and Bro. Alan Jenkins officiating. Burial will be in Ridgeview Memorial Park. Mrs. Sarrett died Monday, August 19, 1996 at Columbia Medical Center in Plano, Texas. She was born July 30, 1950, in La Junta, Colorado to James H. Rickerson and Evilena Burnside Rickerson. She was a homemaker and member of Westside Church of Christ in McKinney. Survivors are husband, Ronald D. Sarrett of Celina, Texas; sons, Rodney Dale Sarrett of North Carolina and Rex Daniel Sarrett of Celina; daughter, Rhonda Denice Sarrett of Celina; grandchildren, Brittani Sarrett and Rowdy Sarrett; mother, Evilene Sartain of McKinney, Texas; father, James H. Rickerson of Granbury, Texas; brothers, Dwayne Rickerson of Greenville, Texas and Gerry Rickerson of Allen, Texas; and sister, Teresa Robertson of

Plano, Texas. (The Celina Record, Celina, Texas, Thursday, August 22, 1996)

<u>Elizabeth Saylor</u>: Graveside services for Elizabeth Saylor, 86, of Honey Grove Community will be held today, March 7, 1996 in Oakwood Cemetery with Rev. Dan Boyd officiating. She died Wednesday, February 28, 1996 in McCuistion Medical Center in Paris, Texas. Surviving is her brother, Robert Saylor of the Cottage Hill Community. (The Celina Record, Celina, Texas, Thursday, March 7, 1996)

**Garold Wayne Schreibvogel**: Services for Garold Wayne (G. W.) Schreibvogel, 36, of Springer, Oklahoma are set for 10 a.m. Saturday at St. Michael's Catholic Church in McKinney, Texas with Father Carl Vogel officiating. Burial will be at Cottage Hill Cemetery in Celina, Texas. Rosary is set for 7 p.m. Friday at Cantrell Funeral Home in Celina. Schreibvogel died Tuesday, October 15, 1997, at Baylor Hospital in Dallas, Texas due to injuries sustained in an automobile accident. He was born November 26, 1960, in Garden City, Kansas to Francis and Shirley Straklejohn Schreibvogel. Schreibvogel married Lois Hendrix August 22, 1981, in Celina, Texas. He was owner of Texoma Pet Supplies in Ardmore, Oklahoma and Super Pets in Arlington, Texas. Survivors include his wife, Lois Schreibvogel of Springer; two sons, Chisum Schreibvogel and Dustin Schreibvogel, both of Springer; his parents, Francis and Shirley Schreibvogel of Springer; two brothers, Yarri Schreibvogel of Pottsboro, Texas and Joe Schreibvogel of Arlington, Texas; his mother-in-law, Florene Hendrix of Celina and several nieces, nephews, sisters-in-law and brothers-in-law and numerous friends. Memorials may be made to the G. W. Schreibvogel memorial account at Local Federal in Ardmore or at Security National Bank of Arlington. (The Celina Record, Celina, Texas, Thursday, October 17, 1997)

<u>Billy Ray Sells Sr.</u>: Memorial services for Billy Ray Sells, 65, of Celina, Texas were scheduled at a date to be determined following his death Saturday, February 14, 1998 at Columbia Medical Center in Plano, Texas. Cremation arrangements are under the direction of Cantrell Funeral Home in Celina, Texas. Mr. Sells was born January 6, 1933, in Weston, Texas, the son of the late Claude and Nellie Young Sells. He and Cheryl Mays were married September 16, 1969 in Paris, Texas. Mr. Sells was a mechanic. Survivors are his wife, Cheryl of Celina, Texas; two sons, Billy Ray Sells Jr. and Claude Sells both of Celina; one daughter, Cherry Sells of Celina; his mother, Nellie Sells of Weston, Texas; and three sisters, Edith Gardner of Bochilla, Oklahoma, Wanda Sexton of Caddo, Oklahoma and Rita June Clark of Waco, Texas. (The Celina Record, Celina, Texas, Thursday, February 19, 1998)

**Eugene Walker Settle**: Memorial services for Eugene Walker Settle, 73, of Prosper, Texas were held Saturday, September 28, 1996, at Prosper Methodist Church. Mr. Settle died Wednesday, September 25, 1996 at Hilltop Haven Nursing Center in Gunter, Texas after being incapacitated by Alzheimer's in 1978. He was born October 15, 1921, a descendant of a pioneer Collin County family and was a well-known farmer and businessman. He was a graduate of Prosper High School and served in the U. S. Navy in World War II, where he met and married Ruth Barnes of Pensacola, Florida in 1945. He is survived by his wife and business partner, Ruth Barnes Settle of Prosper; a daughter, Sue Settle Zuber of Richardson, Texas; one son and other business partner, Ronnie Settle of Prosper, who has continued the family business as one of the owners of Settle-Radke Machinery in McKinney, Texas; a daughter-in-law Patricia Settle of Prosper; grandchildren Sean Settle of Irving, Texas, Joel Settle of Prosper, Toby Settle of Denton, Texas, Neal Settle and Laci Settle of Prosper; sisters, Mrs. B. W. Durham of Prosper and Mrs. Aubrey Skelton of Garland, Texas; brother-in-law and sister-in-law Mr.

and Mrs. R. T. Jernigan of Milton, Florida; and numerous nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by son-in-law Charles B. Zuber III in 1992. So that other families will not suffer the tragedy of this disease, Mr. Settle's body has been donated to The Willed Body Program and Southwestern Medical School. Should friends desire, memorials may be made to Prosper Methodist Church, Box 206, Prosper, Texas 75078 or the Alzheimer's Association, 2910 Swiss Avenue, Dallas, Texas 75204. (The Celina Record, Celina, Texas, Thursday, October 3, 1996)

J. D. Shaw: Funeral services for J. D. Shaw, 77, of Van Alstyne, Texas were held at 1 p.m. Saturday, January 30, 1993, at Flesher Funeral Home with Jim Poole officiating. Burial was in Van Alstyne Cemetery. Mr. Shaw died Wednesday, January 27, 1993, at a Sherman hospital. He was born in Van Alstyne, the son of Addie and Armia Ruddle Shaw. He and Mary Sweeney were married December 9, 1939, in Van Alstyne. He was retired from Grayson-Collin Electric Cooperative and a member of Elmont Baptist Church. Survivors are his wife; one son, David Shaw of Houston; two sisters, Pauline Williams of Sherman and Artell White of Waco; one brother, A. J. Shaw of Celina; and one grandchild. (The Celina Record, Celina, Texas, Thursday, February 4, 1993)

Julia Elizabeth (Tischler) Shaw: Services for Julia Elizabeth Shaw, 78, of Pilot, Point, Texas were held Saturday, December 5, 1998 at Calvary Baptist Church in Pilot Point, Texas with the Rev. Roger Marsh, Kent Crutsinger and Keith Crutsinger officiating. Burial was in Pilot Point Community Cemetery. Mrs. Shaw was born September 7, 1920, in Pilot Point, Texas to the late Andrew and Minnie A. Bauer Tischler. She married Jackson William Shaw November 28, 1937, in Pilot Point, Texas. She was a member of Calvary Baptist Church in Pilot Point and The Friends of Freedom in Pilot Point. Survivors are husband, Jackson of Pilot Point, Texas; son and daughter-in-law, Raymond and Betty Shaw of Pilot Point; daughter and son-in-law, Willene and Jimmy Crutsinger of Pilot Point; sisters, Mary Irene Turner of Tioga, Texas; Madeline Elizabeth Stone of Celina, Texas, Frances Catherine Gregg, Eloise Clara Riley and Loretta Mae Sherek, all of Pilot Point, Melva Doris Faulk of Carrollton, Texas and Anita Joy Bass of Glen Rose, Texas; seven grandchildren; and 17 great-grandchildren. (The Celina Record, Celina, Texas, Thursday, December 10, 1998)

<u>Harold C. "Bud" Shelton</u>: Services for Harold C. "Bud" Shelton, 71, of Mabank, Texas were Monday, February 25, 1991, at Cantrell Funeral Home Chapel in Frisco, Texas, Rev. Greg Johnson officiating. Interment in Cottage Hill Cemetery. Mr. Shelton died Saturday, February 23, 1991 at North Texas Medical Center in McKinney, Texas. He was born January 21, 1920 in Frisco, Texas, son of the late Farris and Dovie Fielder Shelton. He and Juanita Shelton married March 17, 1972 in Rockwall, Texas. He was a veteran of World War II and a Methodist. Survivors are his wife of Mabank, Texas; one son, Jerry Shelton of Lucas, Texas; one daughter, Barbara Yates of McGregor, Iowa; stepson, Johnny Stanley of Dallas, Texas; stepdaughters Ann Gardner of Dallas, Texas and Lon Daniels of LaGrange, Texas; one sister, Kathleen Moore of Frisco, Texas and 14 grandchildren and 12 greatgrandchildren. (The Celina Record, Celina, Texas, Thursday, February 28, 1991 p. 2)

**Buell Eugene Shields Jr.**: Funeral services for Buell Eugene Shields, 76, of Emory, Texas were at 2 p.m. Wednesday, April 30, 1997, at Cantrell Funeral Chapel in Celina, Texas with Rev. Mike Varrassi officiating. Mr. Shields died Sunday night, April 27, 1997, at Presbyterian Hospital in Winnsboro, Texas. Interment was in Cottage Hill Cemetery under the direction of Cantrell Funeral Home. Mr. Shields was born September 11, 1920 in Cottage Hill Community, the son of the late James and Ora Mae Williams Shields. He married Beudah MacKay July 19, 1954 in Oklahoma. He was a

truck driver and a member of the Cottage Hill Methodist Church. Survivors include his wife of Emory, Texas; son, Bobby Gene Shields of Celina; two daughters, Dolores Fasulo of Dover, New Hampshire and Sally Strange of Cape Cod, Massachusetts; one brother, Malcolm D. Shields of Carrolton, Texas; two grandchildren, Christopher and Jill Fasulo of Dover, New Hampshire; and one great-grandchild, Kaitlyn Fasulo of Dover, N. H. He was preceded in death by his parents and one brother, J. W. Shields. (The Celina Record, Celina, Texas, Thursday, May 1, 1997)

**Bertha Mae (Allen) Shook**: Funeral services for Mrs. Bertha Mae Shook 82, of Celina, Texas were held at 2 p.m. Monday, October 7, 1991 at First United Methodist Church of Celina with the Rev. Doug Miller officiating. Interment was in Oakwood Cemetery in Whitesboro, Texas. Mrs. Shook died Saturday, October 5, 1991 at Celina Care Center. She was born in Snyder, Texas, the daughter of Frederick Sidney Allen and Virgie Mae Gassaway. She and Robert Justin Shook were married December 24, 1933, in Southmayd, Texas. Mrs. Shook was a retired teacher in the Celina ISD, a member of the Eastern Star and had lived in Celina for 47 years. She was a member of First United Methodist Church here. Survivors are one son, Robert A. Shook of Houston, Texas; one brother, Gene Allen of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma; one sister, Ruth Chisum of Whitesboro, Texas and two granddaughters. Memorials may be made to First United Methodist Church in Celina. (The Celina Record, Celina, Texas, Thursday, October 10, 1991)

**Brenda DeAnne Sidebottom**: Services for Brenda DeAnne Sidebottom, 37, of Garland, Texas were held Saturday, October 25, 1997 at Huff-Slay Funeral Chapel in Pilot Point, Texas with the Rev. Harold Bowman officiating. Burial was in Belew Cemetery in Aubrey, Texas. Ms. Sidebottom was born Sept 11, 1960, in Wichita, Kansas to Max and Virginia Sidebottom. She was a lab technician for Smith Kline Beecham Laboratories. She was a member of First Baptist Church in Aubrey, Texas and a volunteer for a Dallas area animal shelter. Survivors are parents of Diamond City, Arizona; brother, Brian Sidebottom of Austin, Texas; sister, Dawn Corn of Gunter, Texas; and grandfather, Jim Bining of Yellville, Arkansas. (The Celina Record, Celina, Texas, Thursday, October 30, 1997)

**Dorothy Lee Sims**: Dorothy Lee Sims was a resident of 401 North Texas in Celina, Texas. She was born November 22, 1933 in Fairfield, Texas, the daughter of King David Stewart and Marie Daniels. She died Saturday, April 1, 1995 at 8:10 a.m. at her residence at the age of 61. She was a nurse and a Baptist. Services were held Monday, April 3, 1995, with Rev. Isiah Moore officiating. Burial was in the Community Cemetery north of Celina, Texas with Cantrell Funeral Home in charge of arrangements. (The Celina Record, Celina, Texas, Thursday, April 6, 1995)

<u>Aletha Kirk Slocum</u>: Arrangements are pending on services for Aletha Kirk Slocum, 83, of Little Elm, Texas. Ms. Slocum died Tuesday, August 9, 1994 in HCA Lewisville Hospital. Mulkey-Mason Funeral Home of Lewisville is in charge of arrangements. (The Celina Record, Celina, Texas, Thursday, August 18, 1994)

**Bobby Eugene Slough Sr.**: Graveside services for Bobby Eugene Slough Sr., 68, of Prosper, Texas were held Monday, December 7, 1998 at Cottage Hill Cemetery with the Rev. Mark Bryant officiating. Mr. Sough was born August 11, 1930, in Choctaw County, Alabama to Willard Edward and Vinnie Leigh Doggett Slough. He married Eunice Marie Fort December 21, 1950, in Irving, Texas. He was a retired auto mechanic and a member of the Christian faith. Survivors are wife, Eunice Marie Slough of Prosper, Texas; son, Bobby Eugene Slough Jr. and wife Rosa of Prosper, Texas; daughters,

Debra Kay Miller and husband Jimmy Don, Vanessa Droigk and husband Lynn and Mary Ann Mitchell, all of Prosper, Texas; sister, Mary Ann Angott of Garland, Texas; brother, Fred Edward Slough of Garland, Texas, and eight grandchildren. (The Celina Record, Celina, Texas, Thursday, December 10, 1998, p. 11)

**Ethel Mae (Cozart) Smiley**: Funeral services will be 3 p.m. today, September 16, 1993, for Ethel Mae Smiley, 87, of Celina, Texas at Cantrell Funeral Chapel with the Rev. Raymond Horne officiating. Burial will be in Celina Cemetery. Mrs. Smiley died Tuesday, September 14, 1993 at Celina Care Center. She was born February 4, 1906 in Celina, Texas, the daughter of the late William T. and Sarah Minnie Dearing Cozart. She and Jack Emberson Smiley were married. She was a member of the Presbyterian Church and a retail sales clerk. Survivors are two brothers, Dave Cozart of Mesquite, Texas and Earl Cozart of Fort Worth, Texas; three sisters-in-law, Bessie Cozart, Georgie Cozart and Gertrude Cozart all of Celina, Texas; one brother-in-law, O. D Hays of Celina, Texas; and several nieces and nephews. (The Celina Record, Celina, Texas, Thursday, September 16, 1993)

<u>Alison Doyle Smith</u>: Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. today for Alison Doyle Smith, 79, of Dumas and Colorado Springs, Colorado, at Cantrell Funeral Chapel in Celina. Burial will be in Old Celina Cemetery. Mr. Smith died Saturday, March 6, 1993 in a Dumas hospital. He was born May 23, 1913 in Princeton, Texas, the son of Washington T. and Virgie Mae Bagwell Smith. He and Camilla Phelps were married March 17, 1935 in Dallas. He was a retired civil service employee with the Air Force in Colorado Springs, Colorado, a 50-year member of the Masonic Lodge, a member of the Scottish Rite and was a Baptist. Survivors are his wife of Dumas; one son, Tommy Doyle Smith of Langhorne, PA.; a daughter, Dorothy Mae Tonks of Forked River, N. J.; six sisters, Laveda Sichler of Penn Valley, California, Jewel Poston of Prosper, Ina Phillips of Dumas, Mildred Broyles of Garland, Modine Faucett of Garland and Doris Holloway of Thornton, Colorado; four grandchildren and a number of nieces and nephews. (The Celina Record, Celina, Texas, Thursday, March 11, 1993)

Ammon Smith: Funeral services for Ammon Smith, 89, of Princeton, Texas who was a teacher and administrator for 24 years in public schools in several Texas communities, including Alla Hubbard, were held at 3:30 p.m. Monday, May 21, 1990 at Turrentine-Jackson-Morrow Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. Paul A. Hixon and Glynn Vickers officiating. Interment was in Ridgeview Memorial Park. Mr. Smith died Saturday, May 18, 1990 at North Texas Medical Center in McKinney, Texas. He was born December 30, 1900, in Collin County and was the son of William David and Nancy Caroline McGee Smith. He earned his bachelor's degree at North Texas State University and coached Alla Hubbard's basketball team to a county championship while there. He also served as a principal at several Texas schools. He and Leta Horn were married July 10, 1928. She was a first grade teacher from Rhea's Mill Community. He was also a member of First United Methodist Church of Princeton, Texas. Survivors are his wife; two daughters, Denna L. Davis of Princeton and Marian L. "Mickey" Story of McKinney; a sister, Martha Burkett of Beeville, Texas; six grandchildren, Cheryl K. Loftice and LaQuita L. James, both of Princeton, and Cheri L. White of Grapevine, Texas, Teri L. Vrba of Allen, Texas, Edward G. Davis of Woodlands, Texas, Kyle W. Story of Denison, Texas; three greatgrandchildren and several nieces and nephews. (The Celina Record, Celina, Texas, Thursday, May 24, 1990)

**Bertis Smith**: Services for Bertis Smith, of Ben Wheeler, Texas, formerly of Celina, Texas were held recently at Eubanks Funeral Home in Canton, Texas. Burial was in Kaufman Cemetery. Mr.

Smith was son of the late Sam and Dessie Smith, who lived west of Celina for many years. He was born August 19, 1921, in Rockwall, Texas. He died in a Tyler, Texas hospital after a long illness. He was preceded in death by his wife; one grandson; two brothers, one being the late Brown Smith of Celina; and four sisters, one being the late Dee Ethridge of Mustang Community, Texas. Survivors are brothers, Wayne Smith of Balch Springs, Texas, Jim Smith of Jacksonville, Texas, Kenneth Smith of Seven Point; sister, Mary McBride of Corsicana, Texas; and several nieces and nephews, including Alvin Smith of Celina. (The Celina Record, Celina, Texas, Thursday, August 1, 1996)

<u>Clyde Milton Smith</u>: Services will be held for Clyde Milton Smith, 73, of Quinlan (formerly of Celina and Mesquite, Texas) will be held on Friday, July 28, 1995 at 4 p.m. at Ted Dickey Funeral Home Chapel in Plano, Texas with Rev. Bob Layman officiating. Burial to follow at Plano Mutual Cemetery. Mr. Smith was born September 17, 1921 in Atoka, Oklahoma. He was owner of C. M. Smith Builders in Mesquite, and former Pastor of the Highland Hills Baptist Church in Mesquite, longtime member of Bethel Baptist Church in Celina, a Veteran of U. S. Army serving in WWII, and a lifetime member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars. He is survived by his sons, Clyde Milton Smith II of Quinlan; William Mark Smith and Roy Martin of Lufkin, Texas; Phillip Michael Smith of Arlington, Texas; 10 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. (The Celina Record, Celina, Texas, Thursday, July 27, 1995)

**Eugene Elmer Smith**: Graveside services for Eugene Elmer Smith, 70 of Coppell, were held at 2 p.m. Friday, February 5, 1993, at Little Elm Cemetery under the direction of Cantrell Funeral Home. Mr. Smith died Tuesday, February 2, 1993 at Trinity Medical Center. He was born October 9, 1922, in Celina, Texas, the son of Bruce McKinley and Lena Elizabeth Rucker Smith. He and Ina Heath were married July 14, 1940, in Madill, Oklahoma. He was a member of the Baptist faith and a service station owner. Survivors are his wife of Coppell; one son, Jerry Smith of Coppell, a brother, Glenn Smith of Houston; two sisters, Corrine Henry of Big Sandy and Barbara Dunnam of McKinney; three grandchildren, Terry Smith of Corpus Christi, Toby Smith and Tara Rogers, both of Carrollton; two great-grandchildren, Stevie Denice Rogers and Cam Smith. (The Celina Record, Celina, Texas, Thursday, February 11, 1993)

**Emma Ruth (Webster) Smith**: Services for Emma Ruth Smith, 88, of Celina, Texas were held Tuesday, April 14, 1998 at Cantrell Funeral Chapel in Celina, Texas with the Rev. Mike Varrassi officiating. Burial was in Cottage Hill Cemetery. Arrangements were under the direction of Cantrell Funeral Home of Celina. Mrs. Smith died Saturday, April 11, 1998 at Columbia Medical Center in McKinney, Texas. She was born September 17, 1909 near Weston, Texas daughter of the late Thomas William and Lillie Ida Bourland Webster. She married Robert Fay Smith January 4, 1932, in Clovis, New Mexico. She was a member of the First Christian Church in Celina and was a homemaker. Survivors are husband, Robert Fay Smith of Celina, Texas; son, William Harper Smith of Celina; daughter and son-in-law Shirley Ann and Elton Clark of Sherman, Texas; brothers and sisters- in-law, Charlie Frank and Eleanor Webster of Irving, Texas and C. O. and Nell Webster of Celina. Also, sisters, Beulah Dee Webster of Duncanville, Texas and Willie Evelyn Tucker of Irving, Texas; seven grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren. (The Celina Record, Celina, Texas, Thursday, April 16, 1998)

James Weldon Smith: Obituary and notes: (1) Graveside services for James W. Smith of Celina, Texas, a 73-year-old retired construction worker, were Friday, February 2, 1990, at Cottage

Hill Cemetery under direction of Cantrell Funeral Home, Rev. Don Bohlcke officiating. Mr. Smith died February 1, 1990 at Medical Plaza Hospital in Sherman, Texas. He was the son of Jimmy R. and Minnie Montgomery Smith. He and Ruby Perry were married in 1940 in Dallas, Texas. Mr. Smith was a navy Seabee and veteran of World War II. Survivors are son, Jerry Smith of Weston, Texas; a sister, Erma Black of Rusk, Texas and two granddaughters. (The Celina Record, Celina, Texas, Thursday, February 8, 1990) (2) According to Cantrell Funeral Home records, James Weldon Smith was born December 12, 1917. (Cottage Hill Cemetery, Collin County, Texas, by Gayle Maxson, 2004, p. 151)

**James Woodrow Smith**: Funeral services for James Woodrow Smith, 78, of Anna, Texas were held at 2 p.m. Monday in Westminster Baptist Church, with Mike Hensley officiating. Mr. Smith died Saturday, November 25, 1995 at Meadowbrook Nursing Home in Van Alstyne, Texas. Burial was in Elm Grove Cemetery under the direction of Flesher Funeral Home of Van Alstyne. Smith was born March 21, 1917, in Myra, the son of James C. Smith and Sara Nola Peak Smith. He married Glynadee Barnett on September 5, 1937, in Greenville, Texas. He was a veteran of both the U. S. Army and U. S. Air Force and was retired. He owned a self-service station and was a member of Westminster Baptist Church. Surviving are his wife of Anna, Texas; one daughter, Dequita Ranly of Anna; four brothers, Edgar L. Smith, Herbert R. Smith and Billy G. Smith, all of Wichita Falls, Texas and James C. Smith Jr. of Leonard, Texas; one sister, Nell Carter of Leonard; two grandchildren, Denise Roush of Prosper, Texas and Shelli Conway of Anna; two great-grandchildren; and three step-great-grandchildren. (The Celina Record, Celina, Texas, Thursday, November 30, 1995)

**Rachel Leona (Littrell) Smith**: Funeral services for Rachel Leona Smith, 81, of Celina, Texas will be held Thursday, June 12, 1997 at 2 p.m. at Cantrell Funeral Chapel in Celina, with Rev. Mike Varrassi officiating. Mrs. Smith died 11:40 p.m. Monday evening, June 9, 1997, at her residence. Burial will be in Cottage Hill Cemetery under direction of Cantrell Funeral Home. Mrs. Smith was born November 24, 1915, in Sedalia, Texas, daughter of the late John B. Sr. and Alabama Dunn Littrell. She married Roy Smith April 11, 1952, in Van Alstyne, Texas. She was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Celina and a housewife. Survivors include her husband of Celina, Texas; brother, John Littrell of Celina, Texas; sister, Nona Hardin of Van Alstyne, Texas. (The Celina Record, Celina, Texas, Thursday, June 12, 1997)

**Raymond Harvey Smith**: Graveside services for Raymond Smith, a former Dallas, Texas school teacher and square-dance instructor, will be at 11 a.m. Saturday, April 6, 1996, at Cottage Hill Cemetery. Mr. Smith, 88, died March 8, 1996 of cancer at his home in San Benito. Though he taught Texas history for 40 years at Boude Storey Middle School, Mr. Smith is better known to many for his square-dance instruction and calling. He taught thousands of dancers across Dallas, Texas, including 20 years at Kidd Springs Park for the Dallas Park and Recreation Department. Mr. Smith took his family on the road each summer in pursuit of square-dancing and even taught and led tours in Europe, Mexico, Cuba and Nassau in the Bahamas. Mr. Smith was born in Ferris, Texas and was raised in Celina, Texas. He was a captain of the football team at North Texas State Teachers College (now the University of North Texas) and earned a Bachelor of Science degree there in August 1934. A bit of a free spirit, he used to let children sneak into the North Texas football games without paying. Mr. Smith wrote three books on square-dance instruction and was co-author of <u>After Party Fun</u>, which is in its fifth printing. Mr. Smith was the third person inducted into the Square Dance Hall of Fame. Survivors include daughters, Sherry Hopkins of Dallas, Texas and Diane McCall of Bertram, Texas; son, Dan H. Smith of Houston, Texas; sisters, Dottie Boren and Dovie Shaw of Celina, Texas; brothers, Fay Smith,

Roy Smith and Harper Smith of Celina; and five grandchildren. (The Celina Record, Celina, Texas, Thursday, April 4, 1996)

**Ruby Lorene (Perry) Smith**: Services for Ruby Lorene Smith, 82, of Celina, Texas were held at 2 p.m. Monday, May 15, 1995, in the First Christian Church in Weston, Texas. Rev. John Quick officiated and burial was in Cottage Hill Cemetery under direction of Turrentine-Jackson-Morrow Funeral Home in McKinney. Mrs. Smith died Saturday, May 13, 1995 at North Texas Medical Center in McKinney, Texas. She was born in Weston, Texas, daughter of Felix and Daisy Marks Perry and married James W. Smith in Dallas, Texas in 1940. She was a member of the First Christian Church in Weston, Texas. Surviving are her son, Jerry Smith of Weston; sisters, Gladys Cave and Pauline Birdsong both of Weston, Texas; brothers, Jack Perry, Dick Perry and Guy Perry all of Weston; two grandchildren and one great-grandchild. (The Celina Record, Celina, Texas, Thursday, May 18, 1995)

<u>Keister Snodgrass</u>: Services for Keister Snodgrass, 85 of McKinney were held at 2 p.m. Monday, September 19, 1994, in Turrentine-Jackson-Morrow Funeral Home Chapel. Dr. James Pucket officiated and burial was in Pecan Grove Memorial Park. Mr. Snodgrass died Friday September 16, 1994 at North Texas Medical Center. He was born in Celina, Texas, son of Joseph and Lula Keister Snodgrass. He married Kathryn Foster November 15, 1945, in McKinney, Texas. He was employed as an electrician by the Veterans Administration and the University of Texas at Dallas. He was a member of the First Baptist Church of McKinney, Sherman Veteran of Foreign Wars Post 2772 and was a World War II Navy veteran. Surviving are his daughter, Susie Ratliff of Dallas; sister, Dorothy Stelzer of Celina; and two grandchildren. (The Celina Record, Celina, Texas, Thursday, September 22, 1994)

<u>Audrey (Walker) Sonntag</u>: Services for Audrey Sonntag, 88, of Celina, Texas were held Monday, December 9, 1996, at Cantrell Funeral Chapel in Celina with the Rev. Ron Hathcoat and the Rev. Bob Layman officiating. Burial was in Cottage Hill Cemetery. Mrs. Sonntag died Saturday, December 7, 1996 at Columbia Medical Center in McKinney, Texas. She was born December 24, 1907, in Celina, Texas to the late Dr. R. N. Walker and Jane Perkins Walker. She was a member of the First Presbyterian Church and a housewife. She was preceded in death by brother, Nolan Walker. Survivors are Cecil W. Sonntag of Dallas, Texas; sister, Wilma Cox of Dallas, Texas; nephew, Robert Cox of Dallas; and 2 granddaughters. (The Celina Record, Celina, Texas, Thursday, December 12, 1996, p. 2)

Anna Bell (McManus) Speck: Funeral services for Anna Bell Speck, 98, of Celina, Texas were held at 2 p.m. Saturday, April 24, 1993, at Cantrell Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Doug Miller and Rev. Clay Womack officiating. Burial will be in Cottage Hill Cemetery, Mrs. Speck died Wednesday, April 21, 1993, at Hilltop Haven Nursing Center in Gunter, Texas. She was born August 15, 1894, in Mt. Vernon, Texas, daughter of the late Pinkey Jackson and Ada Lou Pennington McManus. She and Robert L. Speck were married March 20, 1919, in Quitman, Texas. She was a housewife and member of First United Methodist Church of Celina, Texas. Survivors are one son, Winfred Jackson Speck of Pensacola, Florida; five daughters, Mildred McManus of Bloomington, California, Anna Lee Sullivan of Dallas, Texas, Madeline Pebsworth of Hugo, Oklahoma, Opal Jaco of Greenville, Texas and Vee Moore of Sugarland, Texas; 14 grandchildren, 31 great-grandchildren and nine great-great-grandchildren. (The Celina Record, Celina, Texas, Thursday, April 29, 1993)

<u>Effie (Hobson) Speck</u>: Services for Effie Speck, 87, of Austin, Texas, formerly of Celina, Texas, will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday, January 7, 1995 at Cantrell Funeral Chapel. Burial will be in

Cottage Hill Cemetery. Mrs. Speck died Tuesday, January 3, 1995. She was born December 4, 1907 in Ellis County to the late Richard Gilliam and Tessie Jane Sewell Hobson. She married A. P. Speck October 22, 1932. She received her bachelor of science from North Texas State Teacher's College in 1937 and taught for 38 years in Routh, Lone Star and Warden and 24 years in Albany, Texas as a first grade teacher. She was a member of the Weston Baptist Church. Surviving are her son, Jerry Charles Speck of Spring, Texas; daughter, Ann Elaine Steele of Dripping Springs, Texas; sisters, Cara Lou Hansard of Valley View, Texas, Grace Tolleson of Seattle, Washington, and Aline Young of Plano, Texas; four grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren. (The Celina Record, Celina, Texas, Thursday, January 5, 1995)

**Florence Sidney (Moore) Speck**: Florence Sidney Speck, 82, of San Antonio, Texas died December 30, 1998 at Alamo Heights Rehabilitation Center in San Antonio. Mrs. Speck was born May 28, 1915 in Celina, Texas, the daughter of M. E. "Doc" and Ethel Harrison Moore. She was preceded in death in 1961 by her husband M. L. Speck. She was a long time resident of Gunter, Texas and in recent years had divided her time between San Antonio and Ruidoso, New Mexico. Survivors are daughter and son-in-law, Sue and Bob Barse; sister and brother-in-law, Jo and A. L. Daily; and niece, Ann Daily Savage, all of San Antonio. Following cremation, Mrs. Speck's ashes will be scattered in the mountains of southern New Mexico. (The Celina Record, Celina, Texas, Thursday, December 31, 1998)

**Jackie Pearl (Pope) Speck**: Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Thursday for Jackie Pearl Speck, 72, of Celina, Texas, who died Tuesday, July 16, 1996, at Columbia Medical Center in McKinney, Texas. Services will be at First Baptist Church in Weston, Texas with the Rev. Steve Swinney officiating. Eastern Star Funeral will follow conducted by Leah Elliott Chapter 1119, O.E.S. with burial at Cottage Hill Cemetery under the direction of Cantrell Funeral Home of Celina. Mrs. Speck was born February 22, 1924, in Anna, Texas to the late James Calloway and Sarah Matthews Pope. She married R. J. Speck on September 21, 1940, in Sherman, Texas and he preceded her in death May 4, 1984. She was a member of Weston Baptist Church, Leah Elliott Chapter 1119, O.E.S. in Van Alstyne, Ladies Auxiliary Weston Fire Department and the Senior Adult Choir. Survivors include a son, Tony of Garland, Texas; a daughter, Joan Ramsey of Las Vegas, Nevada; a sister, Opal Gracy of Weston, Texas; four grandchildren, Noel Ramsey, Angela Ramsey, Megan Speck and Lydia Speck; and several nieces and nephews. Visitation will be from 7 to 9 tonight at Cantrell Funeral Home in Celina. (The Celina Record, Celina, Texas, Thursday, July 18, 1996)

**Pauline (Griffin) Spradley:** Funeral services for Pauline Griffin Spradley of Prosper, Texas, 73, were held at 2 p.m. Monday, March 12, 1990 at the First Baptist Church with the Rev. Joe Blankenship officiating. Interment was in Ridgeview Memorial Park. Mrs. Spradley, a housewife, died Saturday, March 10, 1990, in a Dallas Hospital. She was born in Prosper, Texas, the daughter of Jim Griffin and Addie Standerfer Griffin. She married V. C. Spradley on September 9, 1933 in Prosper. Survivors are the husband; a son, Jim Spradley of Prosper; a daughter, Shirley Smotherman of Prosper; five grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. (The Celina Record, Celina, Texas, Thursday, March 15, 1990)

**Darwin Robert Spraggins**: Graveside services for Darwin R. Spraggins, 85, of Sherman, Texas were held Friday, June 7, 1996 at Cottage Hill Cemetery. Dr. Howard McNamara of First Baptist Church officiated. Mr. Spraggins was born August 3, 1910, in Sherman, Texas, the son of Oscar

Spraggins and Myrtle McManus Spraggins. He graduated from Sherman High School in 1928, and attended Texas Tech University in Lubbock for two years. After retiring in 1974, from the Frisco Railroad where he was a diesel machinist for 45 years, he attended Grayson County College. Survivors are wife, Opal Spraggins of Sherman, Texas; sons, Gary Johnson Spraggins and wife, Linda Webster Spraggins of Lexington, Kentucky and Darrel Joe Spraggins and wife, Elizabeth McWilliams Spraggins of Houston, Texas; brother, Jimmy Pelly Spraggins of Conroe, Texas; sisters, Leah Mae Smithson of Sherman, Texas and Clotell Keller of Glen Rose, Texas; four grandchildren; and one great-grandson. (The Celina Record, Celina, Texas, Thursday, June 13, 1996)

Lynn Eldon Stambaugh: Two articles: (1) Services for Lynn Eldon Stambaugh, 67, a lifelong resident of Celina, Texas were held at 2 p.m. Tuesday, February 14, 1995 at First Baptist Church in Celina with the Rev. Dr. Raymond Horne officiating. Burial was in Cottage Hill Cemetery under direction of Cantrell Funeral Home. Mr. Stambaugh died early Saturday morning, February 11, 1995 at North Texas Medical Center in McKinney, Texas. He was born April 1, 1927, in Celina, Texas, the son of John William and Edith Dennis Stambaugh. He and Dorothy Cashon were married November 23, 1946 in Celina. Mr. Stambaugh was a member of the First Baptist Church in Celina, where he served as a deacon. He was a member of the board of directors of the Greater Celina Chamber of Commerce, a past-president and life member of the Celina Quarterback Club, and was named Celina's Citizen of the Year in 1989. He was also a World War II veteran of the U.S. Navy. Mr. Stambaugh was active in the real estate business in Celina. Survivors are his wife, Dorothy, of Celina; one son, Tom Stambaugh of Doha, Qatar; two daughters, Lynda Stambaugh of Austin, Texas and Jerry Dickerson of Celina; two sisters, Joyce Crook and Pat Granstaff, both of Celina; five grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. Memorials may be made to the First Baptist Church Building Fund, Celina, Texas. (The Celina Record, Celina, Texas, Thursday, February 16, 1995) (2) Several hundred people packed the sanctuary at First Baptist Church here Tuesday, February 14, 1995, at 2 p.m. to pay their final respects to Lynn Eldon Stambaugh, life time resident and supporter of Celina, Texas. "He WAS Mr. Celina," asserted Dr. Raymond Horne, pastor, in eulogizing Mr. Stambaugh as he delivered the message. The World War II Navy veteran and former First State Bank officer here suffered a severe heart ailment some 13 years ago but never ceased his efforts as one of Celina's biggest boosters. Mr. Stambaugh, 67, died early Saturday morning, February 11, 1995, at his home here and was pronounced dead at North Texas Medical Center in McKinney, Texas. He is survived by his wife Dorothy, three children, two sisters, five grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. (The Celina Record, Celina, Texas, Thursday, February 16, 1995)

<u>Orval Ray Stambaugh</u>: Services for Orval Ray Stambaugh, 80, of Whitewright, Texas will be held at 2:00 p.m. Thursday, November 21, 1996 at Whitewright Baptist Church with Virgil Blaylock officiating. Burial will be in Cottage Hill Cemetery in Celina., Texas. Mr. Stambaugh was born June 28, 1916, in Celina, Texas, the son of Samuel Stambaugh and June Iva Lee Franklin. He married Annie Bell Miller on June 12, 1938, in Durant, Oklahoma. He was an industrial inspector and a member of the First Baptist Church in Whitewright. Survivors are wife, Annie Bell Stambaugh of Whitewright; daughters, Jennifer Huff and Reba Ulmer, both of Whitewright; sons, William "Bill" Ray Stambaugh of Howe, Texas, Pat Stambaugh of Tom Bean, Texas, Joe Stambaugh of Dallas, Texas, and James Stambaugh of Wolfe City, Texas; sister, Ruth Carey of Celina, Texas; 14 grandchildren; and 17 greatgrandchildren. (The Celina Record, Celina, Texas, Thursday, November 21, 1996) Mary Ellen (Dawson) Phillips / Stanton: Services for Mary Ellen Stanton, 89, of Frisco, Texas were held Friday, July 3, 1998, at Cantrell Funeral Chapel in Frisco with the Rev. John Peel officiating. Arrangements were under the direction of Cantrell Funeral Home of Frisco. Mrs. Stanton died Wednesday, July 1, 1998 at Pavilion Nursing Home in McKinney, Texas. She was born September 3, 1908, in Frisco, Texas, daughter of the late Samuel and Mary Shelly Dawson. She married Oliver Eugene Phillips on September 3, 1930, and he preceded her in death October 21, 1943. She later married Samuel Shrader Stanton and he preceded her in death December 29, 1945. She was a member of the First United Methodist Church and was a seamstress. Survivors are son and daughter-in-law, Billy Gene and Oma Lee Phillips of Frisco; grandsons, Ronald Dean Phillips and wife Donna of Orlando, Florida and Dr. Donald Gene Phillips and wife, Lisa of Troy, Illinois; great-granddaughter, Maria Eilean Phillips of Troy, Illinois; stepson, Truman Stanton and wife Ofelia of Frisco, Texas; step-daughter, Tommie Jo Sanders of Frisco; and sister, Gladys Jenkins of Irving, Texas. (The Celina Record, Celina, Texas, Thursday, July 9, 1998)

<u>Austin Carroll Stapp</u>: Funeral services for Austin Carroll Stapp, 82, of Weston, Texas were held at 2 p.m. Thursday, March 15, 1990 in the First Baptist Church of Weston with Rev. Tim Sublett and Rev. Jolly Terry officiating. Interment was in Cottage Hill Cemetery. Mr. Stapp, an automobile mechanic and businessman, died Tuesday, March 13, 1990 at North Texas Medical Center in McKinney, Texas. He was born in Valdasta, Texas, son of Luther Stapp and Sarah Jordan Stapp. He married Dorothy Mae Dinsmore. He was a member of First Baptist Church in Blue Ridge, Texas. Survivors are two daughters, Nancy Miller and Linda Scott both of Celina, Texas; one son, Austin C. Stapp of Austin, Texas; two sisters, Sally Mae Farley of Palestine, Texas and Volial Blankenship of Rusk, Texas; eight grandchildren and six great-grandchildren. (The Celina Record, Celina, Texas, Thursday, March 15, 1990)

<u>Cecil Clifton Stark</u>: Graveside services for Cecil Clifton Stark, 81, of Seminole, Texas formerly of Denton County, were held at 2 p.m. Sunday, March 5, 1995 in Little Elm Cemetery with Dr. Jim Wicker officiating. Mr. Stark died Thursday, March 2, 1995 at Pioneer Nursing Home in Seminole. He was born May 25, 1913, at Camey Spur in Denton County to Robert T. and Sally J. Stark. He was married to Gladys J. Hazelwood by Rev. R.H. McSpadden in the parsonage of the First Baptist Church in Frisco, Texas. They were married for more than 60 years. In 1963, he became a regional sales manager for Gold Bond Stamp Co., where he worked until 1976. The Starks moved to Seminole in 1970, and in 1976 he opened Stark Nursery, which he operated until his health failed in 1992. Survivors include his wife of Seminole; three sons, Robert Marion Stark of Longview, Texas, John David Stark of Celina, Texas and Cecil Eugene Stark of Dallas, Texas; two daughters, Patsy Elaine Smith of Seminole and Gladys Jane Bradley of Norman, Oklahoma; two brothers, R. T. "Shorty" Stark of Palestine and Price Stark of Frisco, Texas; five sisters, Grace Carroll of Fort Worth, Texas, Evelyn Prewitt of Richardson, Texas and Vivian McCallum, Doris Jean Marshall and Jo Ann Templin all of Frisco, Texas; 12 grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren. (The Celina Record, Celina, Texas, Thursday, March 9, 1995)

(To be continued in future Collin Chronicles)



## CCGS Member Family History: George Bull

## Who was William Davis?

Collin County was created 3 April 1846 from Fannin County which had itself been created in 1837 from Red River County. The first county seat for Collin was located at Buckner, about 4 miles northwest of downtown McKinney. First district court was held 21 October 1846. The first courthouse was located in John "Jack" McGarrah's store at Buckner. When it was discovered that the county seat was not located in the center of the new county, it was decided to relocate the county seat to what is now the City of McKinney in 1848. On 12 January 1848, the newly formed Texas State Legislature had determined that county seats needed to be located within 3 miles of the center of the county

The center of the county was located in land owned by William Davis. He had qualified for a land grant of 3,130 acres due to his service to the Republic of Texas in its war for Independence from Mexico.

But what do we know about William Davis?

Here is what the Collin County History website (*https://www.collincountyhistory.com/davis-william.html*) has for his biography:

Governor P. H. Bell, for the State of Texas, granted William Davis and wife, Margaret, two-thirds of a league and one labor of land where the town of McKinney now stands, totaling 3,130 acres. This was in support of a decree from the District Court of 1841, but was registered and patented at the Land Office in Austin August 1, 1856.

William Davis and his family had a little log cabin on the land in 1848 when the new County seat was moved to present McKinney. He and his wife gave 120 acres to the new town of McKinney to be used as a townsite. Commissioners receiving the donation were J. B. Wilmeth, James McReynolds, John Fitzhugh, and William McKinney. William Davis asked that lots 13 - 27 and 65 in Blocks 2 - 4 be reserved for his use. Neither he nor his wife could write so signed the document with the "Mark", as many other pioneers had to do. Schools were non-existent in the very early days and few could read unless they were educated before coming to Texas. Joel Stewart was then the county clerk.

Several descendants of William Davis live in Collin County and some are still here. Ida Lee married Conley Hockett, a Virginian. Her inheritance from her grandfather was a farm northwest (northeast?) of McKinney and here she reared her family. One of the Hockett children was Dewey Hockett.

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William Davis land grant tract.

What else can we find out about this man William Davis? Davis is a common last name and research has been difficult, trying to sort out Davis families in north Texas in the 1800s. There was a William David Davis, born in 1832 in Alabama, who came to Texas in 1870, and his niece married Clint Thompson, editor of the

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McKinney Examiner for a number of years. He's not our man. There was also a William Davis, born around 1807 in Ohio, married to Elizabeth, lived in Collin County in 1860 and was the father of Sanford R. Davis. He's not our man either.

William Davis who owned the 3,130 acres in Collin County was born around 1818 in the state of Missouri. Further research needs to be done, but he could be the son of a John Davis who lived in Cape Girardeau County, Missouri in the early 1800s and was the builder of the first county courthouse for that county, located in the city of Cape Girardeau. The courthouse stood from 1818 until 1839, when a replacement was built. DNA research with Davis matches indicates a relationship to a Davis family originating possibly in Quaker Pennsylvania, then in New Hanover County, North Carolina (near Wilmington), then in the late 1700s to Rowan County, North Carolina. A number of the Davis family members moved to Kentucky before moving to Missouri. In a Bible record of the Davis family of North Carolina there is a John Davis born in 1794 of whom no one in several genealogy websites has further information on. There are deed records from 1818 to 1821 in Cape Girardeau County, Missouri for a John Davis, whose wife named Nancy also signed the deeds. For sure our William Davis was the son of John Davis who died in Lamar County in 1842, as he was named administrator of his estate.

At some point William Davis' parents moved to northwest Arkansas, probably around the early 1830s. There are tax records in Crawford County, Arkansas for John Davis in 1830 and 1835. I have identified Crawford County, Arkansas as the origin of several families who came to Lamar County, Texas in the late 1830s, using records of the General Land Office in Austin. Included among these are Marmaduke O'Neal, Hardin T. Chenoweth (he was sheriff in Crawford County according to a Chenoweth family history book), Samuel Edmondson (and wife Eliza Edmondson). These individuals will play a part in my family history later in this article.

William Davis' land record indicates his arrival in the Republic of Texas in late 1835 or in February 1836 (conflicting dates on land records). On 2 March 1836, independence from Mexico was declared. Of course Mexico didn't recognize this so on 18 July 1836 William signed up with Captain John Thomas Hart's company of Texans to fight against the Mexican army. It is not known why William came to Texas from Arkansas, as he would have only been 17 or 18 years old. He was the first of his family to come, his parents came two or three years later. It is possible that he saw an opportunity to acquire land for free, as the Mexican government at that time had been attempting to lure American settlers to Texas, most notably starting with Stephen F. Austin's Colony in 1821. Men need only be 17 years of age at that time.

William Davis signed up with Hart's company for a term of 3 months, which would have ended in October of 1836. Serving with him in Hart's company were Gabriel Chenoweth (possible relative of Hardin Chenoweth), Martin and Meredith Hart, ages 11 and 15 respectively (sons of 46 year old Captain Hart) and 40 year old Daniel Rowlett (Rowlett Creek was named for him). The wide age range of the soldiers is interesting, not at all like today's army. Presumably Capt. Hart was able to bring his sons with him to act as helpers or something akin to drummer boys in the Civil War. But they were definitely listed on the official rolls. Red River County was created in 1836, so William was a resident of that county until Lamar County was formed on 17 December 1840. I believe William probably lived in what is now Lamar County from his arrival in Texas until around 1843 when he moved to Collin County. A little bit about "leagues and labors" in Texas land records is in order. A league is 4,428 acres and a labor is 177 acres. The following paragraph from Wikipedia explains the use of leagues and labors in early Texas land grants:

When a league is subdivided, it is subdivided into 25 labors. Leagues can be divided or undivided (some leagues exist without labors). Labors cannot exist without leagues. A labor is one million square varas. Therefore, a league is 25 million square varas.

"A league and a labor" was a common first land grant and consisted of a league of land away from the river plus one extra labor of good riparian (river-situated) land. A headright of this much land was granted to "all persons [heads of families] except Africans and their descendants and Indians living in Texas on the day of the declaration of independence." To any single man, 17 years or older, one-third league was granted (1476 acres).

William Davis in later court records says he married in 1838 and is entitled to an "augmentation" as a married man for more acreage for his land grant from Republic of Texas. His <sup>3</sup>/<sub>3</sub> league was 3,130 acres. It is unknown who his first wife was. No marriage record has been found. It is entirely possible he was not married and was trying to gain extra acreage by nefarious means.

William hired attorney John B. Denton, Texas pioneer, minister and militia captain to help him with his land grant paperwork (William could not read nor write). John B. Denton was killed 22 May 1841 in battle with Indians at Battle of Village Creek in what is now Tarrant County in the City of Arlington. Denton's children sued William Davis' heirs years later to claim title to land William signed over to Denton for his legal work.

No censuses were taken under the Republic of Texas (1836 to 1845), although tax records provide a substitute census for 1840. William Davis is listed in Fannin County.

Early 1840 My theory is that William had a relationship with "Eliza" Edmondson (born Eliza Perryman in 1810 in Virginia) and had a son Thomas Jefferson Davis born 28 Nov 1840 in Lamar Co (birthdate and place are both per his statement on his application for Confederate pension). His name doesn't appear as Davis until after 1850. In the 1850 census he is living with mother Eliza and step-father John C. Bates (listed twice...as Bates in Collin Co. and Edmondson in Milam Co.), In the 1860 census he is listed as Thomas Davis in Magnolia, Columbia County, Arkansas, as a "waggoner." Eliza also had a daughter Jane born around 1842, possibly daughter of William Davis also. Jane apparently died without marrying. Thomas Jefferson Davis is my great grandfather, he was married three times, having children by the first two wives. He moved to Sherman, Texas and my great grandmother (born Caroline Rice) divorced him in Collin County, then he moved to Gainesville, Cooke County, where he died in 1914. He served as a Confederate soldier in the Civil War and received a pension from the State of Texas.

In 1842 John Davis Sr. died and William Davis, his eldest son, was administrator of his estate in Lamar County, Texas. John Sr. had received a large land grant which was divided between his four children, William, John Jr., Nancy and James. However Nancy died, leaving an only son as her heir, by name of John W. O'Neal. After Nancy's husband Marmaduke O'Neal died, she married John C. Bates and they had one son Henry Edwin Bates, who died without issue. It seems a lot of men were dying in Lamar County Texas in the early 1840s. Widows typically remarried fairly quickly, as life on the frontier was especially tough for those living alone.

My reasoning for this theory is that I have not found any other Davis in north Texas in the time period involved other than William Davis who could have had fathered a child, plus I have numerous DNA matches to known descendants of William Davis through his daughter with Margaret Eddlemon, as well as numerous DNA matches to known descendants of William's brother John Davis, Jr. and sister Nancy Davis O'Neal.

Eliza Perryman married Samuel Edmondson in 1827 in Elbert County, Georgia and they had two children, Mary born 1829 and James born 1833 both in Georgia. Soon after the second child was born they moved to northwest Arkansas. Evidently she left Samuel Edmondson and moved to Lamar County, Texas with her daughter Mary, who was living next door to Eliza in the 1850 census in Milam County, Texas. Son James must have stayed with his father Samuel in Arkansas. Samuel was an attorney and later judge, first practicing in Crawford County then later in Van Buren, Arkansas after that county was formed. He remarried twice after Eliza. Eliza was shown living in Lamar County, Texas and on land records claimed she was a widow. However she married in early January 1844 to Hardin Thomas Chenoweth, the former sheriff of Crawford County, Arkansas, became pregnant shortly afterwards, then Hardin died about 30 days after the marriage, leaving Eliza alone. She gave birth to daughter Elizabeth Chenoweth in November 1844. Eliza later married John C. Bates in 1846 in Lamar County, giving birth to a son Amos "Richard/Dick" Bates and daughter Georgiana Bates (married William Jordan Higgins). John Bates was from Staffordshire, England and immigrated to the United States as a young man, joined the US Army, and was stationed in both Louisiana and Texas. After leaving the U.S. Army he stayed in Texas. Hardin Chenoweth qualified for a large land grant which was located east of and adjacent to William Davis' land grant. His heirs were involved in lawsuits regarding the division of the land. Many of Amos Bates' and Georgiana Higgins' descendants lived in Collin County. Elizabeth Chenoweth married Howell Lewis Jeffries and they moved to Oklahoma. I believe Eliza had known the Davis family back in Arkansas.

Early graves in Collin County were mostly not marked with tombstones. If anything, they were marked with wooden markers, which have long since disappeared. I have found very few graves for my Davis connections in Collin County but I did find a grave for Amos Bates' widow Aurora Marowski Bates at Woodlawn Cemetery, northeast of McKinney, she died in 1938. The earliest marked grave there is dated 1870 but I suspect there were earlier burials and possibly William Davis would have been buried there since he died in 1868 and lived fairly close by.

Back to William Davis' life. In 1840 Lamar County was formed, then around 1843 William moved to Collin County, according to Helen Hall's book on the history of Collin County. He was married to Lavina or Lavinia

Chenoweth in 1843 in Fannin County (no record found), the daughter of Hardin Thomas Chenoweth and Nancy Hart (they were divorced) according to records of the court in Collin County. The marriage was short, they divorced on 30 Nov 1846 without having children. Hardin, as previously mentioned, later married Eliza Perryman Edmondson.

In December 1845 Texas became a state and in April of 1846 Collin County was organized from Fannin County. On 3 January 1847 William married Margaret T. Eddlemon in Collin County. She was born in 1828 in Fentress County, Tennessee, daughter of Daniel Eddlemon and Nancy Roseberry. They both signed the deed for 120 acres for the county seat by making their marks, as neither one could read or write. By Margaret he had only one child, a daughter Mary Narcissa Davis, born about 1849, who married John William Lee (1847-1918) and they lived east of McKinney. Mary Narcissa died in 1877, having had two daughters Ida Lee (married Conley Hockett) and Rose Etta Lee (married James David Caudle).

25 Dec 1848. William's brother John Davis Jr. died at his house per Collin County court record. I think John Davis Jr. lived in Fannin Co., I can't find him in Collin at all other than him dying at his brother William's home and court records regarding daughter Malinda's guardianship. I think it was filed in Collin because John Jr. owned land in Collin or perhaps his widow Elizabeth (nee Viser) moved there after his death. Also Malinda's mother Elizabeth lived with her brother in law William Davis in 1850 (Malinda also). Why would he die at William's home? He must have been visiting him from Fannin Co. Malinda married John R. Beck and had a daughter Nancy R. Beck who figures in Collin Co. land suits regarding the estate of John Davis Jr.

1849. William leaves Texas to go on the gold rush in California. Per ex-wife's obituary in 1906. John "Jack" McGarrah also went to California and died there or on his way home in 1852. I read that a group of 150 travelled together leaving from the Ft. Worth area. Collin County court records in the early 1850s refer to William as having left the state. Perhaps he didn't leave until 1850 as he is listed in the 1850 census in Collin County. While some gold rush participants took month-long trips on ships around the tip of South American, I believe William and the others from Texas went by land, crossing what was part of Mexico and now New Mexico and Arizona to get to California. It would have been a long and arduous journey, but with expectation of getting rich. Most were disappointed. Many, if not most, returned to their homes after a year or two. William stayed a lot longer and left a wife alone to raise their daughter.

20 Nov 1850. William is listed in McKinney living with Margaret in census, age 38 born Ark. His occupation is shown as a "trader". Neither William nor Margaret can read or write. Daughter M. N. (Narcie) living with them as well as James Davis (believed to be younger brother), E. (Elizabeth Viser Davis, widow of his brother John Davis Jr.) and her daughter M. A. (Malinda Ann) who married in 1868 to John Wesley Cawthron.

There is a William Davis in the 1850 federal census in Butte County, listed as a miner, so this could be him. There is a William Davis in the 1852 state census of California, living in Placer County who could be this William. Hard to read the census but ancestry thinks he's 32, I can't read the birthplace. William returned from California around 1855 and Margaret divorced him shortly after his arrival. She went on to marry W. H. Slane (Sloane?) in 1856, then later James Richard Arnold, dying in 1906 in Bosque County, Texas, having had additional children by her other husband. William Davis married again around 1858 to Sarah "Sallie" James, daughter of neighbor Richard James and his wife Letitia Carpenter but apparently didn't obtain a license (no record found). But I did find an article in The Standard newspaper from Clarksville, Red River County in 1860 (no paper was published in McKinney at this time) referencing the state legislature legalizing their marriage. They had two sons, Nicholas (1859-1873) and Franklin (1863-1874). Dates are approximate, from information in Collin County court records. William is listed with wife "Sally" in the 1860 census in Collin County, along with son Nicholas, nephew John W. O'Neal, daughter "Narcus" (Mary Narcissa), and a neighbor boy, "Poley" (probably Paul) Gates, age 10. The Gates family lived close by and many are buried at Woodlawn Cemetery.

William died 16 June 1868, according to the website of the Daughters of the Texas Republic. William's service in the Texas War of Independence qualifies descendants for membership in that organization.

After William died lawsuits continued against Sarah "Sallie" Davis to obtain title to some of William's land. She remarried on 16 September 1872 in Collin County to Charles B. Lewis. The marriage was a short one and they separated in 1873 and she remarried 25 Jul 1874 again in Collin County to William M. Webb. I have not been able to find a record of her death or that of her later husbands. She had been born around 1836 in Kentucky. As far as I know she had no children.

No doubt some of the large amount of land that William Davis originally owned was sold off by him, then additional amounts lost to lawsuits by the Denton heirs. When one looks at a map of McKinney, a good portion was originally part of the William Davis grant. With a 3 month stint in the War for Texas Independence, multiple marriages, divorces and relationships and a sojourn as a miner in California during the Gold Rush for about 5 or 6 years, it was an interesting life for a man who could neither read nor write and only lived to be about 50 years old.



Caroline Rice who married T. J. Davis, son of William Davis.

Caroline Rice Davis Soden is the lady in the front row middle sitting next to her husband Phillip Soden with grandson Phillip Robbirds in between them. Immediately behind them are their sons Owen and Tom Soden. Standing on each side of the two brothers are Mattie Soden (later Smith) on the left and Vira Soden (later Harris) on the right. The other lady on the left sitting is Julia Davis Robbirds with her 3 children, Bessie, Phillip and Cleo. Julia was Caroline's daughter by her first husband Thomas Jefferson Davis. My grandmother Nellie Davis Addington was not in the photo; she was probably expecting a baby or had a newborn (my uncle was born April 1903), as the photo looks to be taken in 1903. I think Tom is the taller Soden brother.



This photo was probably taken in 1905 since Owen Soden is not in the photo having died in 1904. The three unmarried children at that time were Tom, Vira and Mattie Soden.

