

The Thrasher Newsletter

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Tom and Sande Thrasher: Now Reunion Regulars

By David E. Sumner

Judge Tom and Sande Thrasher have become familiar faces at the last four Thrasher reunions after they made cross-country trips from their home in Villa Park, California. "We have fun, and they're great people here," Tom says. Judge Thrasher retired in 2004 after a distinguished judicial career on the Orange County Superior Court. Born in Dallas, Texas, Tom traces his roots to Thrashers in Alabama. But he credits Sande as being the genealogist in the family and the one who first learned about the Thrasher family reunions. "Sande is the one who can trace back generations and back to what she believes is George Thrasher in the 1700s. She has all the pertinent information and I pick it up by osmosis," he said during an interview in Savannah on June 26.

Sande grew up in Fort Wayne, Indiana, and they still make visits to see her mother there. She has also done extensive genealogical research at the Fort Wayne library. "It's generally recognized as the second largest genealogy library in the country after the Mormon library," she says. Known as the Allen County Public Library, its renowned genealogy collection includes more than 350,000 printed volumes and 513,000 items of microfilm and microfiche.

Thomas Neal Thrasher served from 1988 to 2004 on the Orange County Superior Court bench following his appointment by Governor George Deukmejian. He held posts as assistant presiding judge and supervising judge of the civil panel. He was named "Judge of the Year" by the Orange County Trial Lawyers Association in 2004 and "Judge of the Year" in 1994 by the Litiga-



Tom and Sande Thrasher

tion Section of the Orange County Bar Association. Prior to 1988, he was in private practice, specializing in business and commercial disputes, real property, bankruptcy and personal injury. He was also an adjunct professor at Western State University College of Law from 1967 to

1987.

Judge Thrasher graduated with a business administration degree from U.C.L.A. in 1958. Between college and law school, he served a three-year tour in the Navy on the U.S.S. Midway and rose to the rank of lieutenant junior grade. He graduated from Hastings College of Law in San Francisco in 1964. He worked during law school summers as a Lake Tahoe blackjack dealer. He met Sande, a nursing graduate of the University of Michigan, during his senior year of law school, and they married in December of 1964.

With more than three million residents, Orange County, California, is the state's second-largest county. Here Judge Thrasher earned his greatest distinction as a mediator. He created the Orange County mediation program in 2002. In addition to his normal case load as a Superior Court judge, he conducted 16 to 18 mediations each week with parties referred by other judges or attorneys. Thrasher said that 80 percent of his cases settled out of court and only a few went out to other judges for trials.

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"With mediation, I can take cases at their sixth or eighth month of life, very early, and save everyone a lot of time, trouble, and money," Tom Thrasher told the *Los Angeles Daily Journal* in a 2004 profile in the legal newspaper.

John Connolly, a Mission Viejo attorney who has known Tom for 30 years, said that the judge can be a bit of a "curmudgeon" but is a phenomenon at mediation. "He's the one who puts the reality check on people's expectations. He can turn on the charm and turn on the hardball and when you walk away, everybody's grateful." Connolly told the *Daily Journal* in the same article.

After retiring in 2004, Tom started working part-time for JAMS—Judicial Arbitration and Mediation Services—a national organization founded in 1979 to provide alternative dispute services. "I will work two or three days a week; the other days I play golf."

His reputation as a top-notch mediator followed him into retirement. *The Los Angeles Daily Journal* wrote another profile of him in 2009. "Mediation is a search for a solution, not a search for who's right or who's wrong. What's important is you need to establish a rapport with the parties," he told the *Daily Journal*.

"He was phenomenal at settling cases," attorney Doug Vanderpool told the *Journal*. Vanderpool goes to Thrasher for mediation at least twice a year. "He's the guy I use all the time. I never had one case in front of him that didn't settle," he said.

When he's not mediating, babysitting, or golfing, Tom enjoys reading history and visiting Civil War battle sites. "I've always been very interested in history. When I was in the Navy, I taught American history to sailors so they could get their G.E.D. I started reading about the Civil War when I was in the sixth grade when I learned about my great grandfather being in the Civil War. So I've got all the books on the Civil War, been to Gettysburg three times. I've been to all the major Civil War sites from Antietam to Fredericksburg to Shiloh to Vicksburg to Richmond. I've always been a student of history."

He tells the story about his great grandfather, also named Tom Thrasher, who served in Alabama's 28th Volunteer Regiment in the Civil War. He went off to the war, but died in a Richmond, Virginia, hospital in 1862 from an illness. The judge's great-grandmother, Teresa Thrasher, was eight months pregnant with his grandfather, who never saw his father. Teresa Thrasher lived in Alabama until 1890 when she moved to Honeygrove, Texas. She raised five children alone and Tom marvels at how she did it. "The Civil War was going on around her, there was no grocery store; how did she keep five children fed? How did she make money? She must have been an amazing woman."

He and Sande made a trip to Richmond to try to locate his great grandfather's gravesite. They did not find it, but did discover the site of the hospital where he died. After getting a parking ticket while doing genealogy research, they discovered that the Richmond Police Headquarters is now located on the site of that hospital.

Although he has received numerous career honors, Judge Thrasher is most proud of his family. Tom and Sande have been married 46 years and have three children: Tom Jr., Kathleen, and Suzanna. All three graduated from UCLA, married UCLA graduates and live within five miles of Tom and Sande. They have eleven grandchildren, and one daughter has five-year-old triplets. "With this number of grandkids, Sande is a full-time babysitter. I get to participate on a limited basis." And by the way, having held season football tickets for the last 43 years, he says they always root for the UCLA Bruins.

It is with great pleasure that we publish another of David Thrasher's member profiles. It has been some time since he has written one, due to other demands on his time. Professor of journalism and coordinator of the magazine journalism major in the Department of Journalism at Ball State University in Indiana and a textbook author are only two of those. Thank you, David.

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In Memoriam

Suzette Kelly Rainer

Mrs. Suzette Kelly Rainer, 60, of McDonough, Georgia, passed away September 28, 2010. She was born in Atlanta, Georgia to the late Otis Clark Kelly and Frances Mary Clark Kelly.

Mrs. Rainer received her master's degree in library science and was a passionate educator who enjoyed teaching for 27 years with Henry County Schools.

She was a member of McDonough Presbyterian Church, where she formerly served as a deacon.

Survivors include her husband of 30 years, Ray Rainer of McDonough; two sons, Clark Rainer of Flovilla, and Robbie (Becky) Rainer of McDonough; two grandchildren, Haylee and Bert Rainer; a sister, Maxine (Frenchy) Allegret of Tucker; and her best friend, Kay Veasley.

Memorial services were Friday, October 1, 2010, at the McDonough Presbyterian Church. Arrangements were made by Haisten Funeral Home of McDonough.

John Robert Thrasher

John Robert Thrasher, age 69, of Niceville, Fla., died September 14, 2010, at a hospice center in Niceville after a fight with cancer.

He was born May 29, 1941 to James E. and Frances (Dutcher) Thrasher, both now deceased, in Hazel Park, Mich.

John served in the U.S. Navy and was a commercial air pilot for a time in Florida. He enjoyed his final years as an innovator and experimenter in electronic and computer technology.

Surviving are his brother Dale of Leesburg, Fla.; sisters Dolores Vigderman of Port Richey, FL, and Jean Henderson of Conroe, Texas. Also surviving are his children, Kimberly Hogan and Tracey Thrasher, both of Ga., as well as five grandchildren and two great grandchildren. One brother, James F. Thrasher, and two sons, Ronald and Phillip Thrasher, predeceased him.

It is planned that his cremains will be interred in a military cemetery.

Congratulations to Author, Author!!

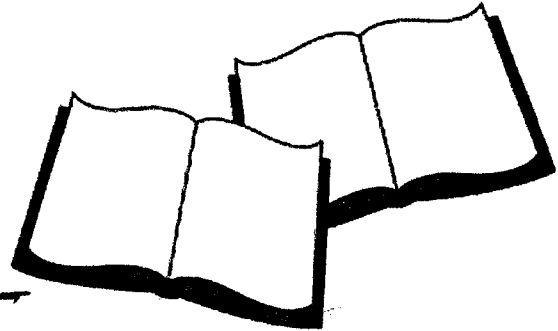
And that is literally author, author. Two Thrasher Association members have new books out in two very, very different categories!

David E. Sumner's newest journalism textbook, "The Magazine Century: American Magazines Since 1900," which is his fifth, came out in June. David wrote: "I have received excellent anecdotal reports and feedback, although I have no sales figures yet from the publisher. I have been interviewed about the book by three magazines: one in New York, one in Stockholm, Sweden, and the third, "Madison Magazine," published by the local daily newspaper here in Madison County.

H. Grady Thrasher's third children's book, "Tim and Sally's Year in Poems," was released this summer. While the first two books told stories, this one has the two children writing poems about their

year. Athens artist Elaine Hearn Rabon again did the illustrations.

Grady, who lives in Athens and writes from a farm outside of Watkinsville, has always been a writer, but for years his writing was light years away from the children's fiction he now writes. Before retiring, he lived in Atlanta and was a securities lawyer. Quite a change from writing legal briefs!



Academic Congratulations!

Editor's note: At the June reunion Dale Thrasher mentioned that his granddaughter Anna, who is the daughter of Dale Jr. and Debbie Thrasher, had "charged" her senior year of high school and started college. When asked what this was he referred the question to Dale Jr., Anna's father. This is Dale Jr.'s reply:

Savannah Rose, who is "Anna" to most of us, was 17 and had completed her junior year at Sobrato High School in Morgan Hill, Calif., in the spring of 2010.

Having taken several AP and honors courses and with a 4.0 GPA when it came time for her to enroll in her senior year she only needed 2 core classes and 2 electives for graduation. With budget cuts and other issues in California schools, electives were cut and her school could only offer her the core classes. Her electives would have to be in the form of other advanced studies, which was not a very appealing option.

We started to explore alternatives such as online schooling and dual enrollment, but each had major challenges. The local community college offered the core courses she needed (as well as the electives) and she could get college credit... after all why not take the courses required for high school graduation but get

college credit? However, to enroll in college she needed a diploma or release from the high school. The high school would not give her high school credit or release her (she had to take the courses at the high school if they were offered). But she discovered another alternative which was similar to the GED. While the GED is only available to persons over 18, the State of California has a "California High School Proficiency Examination" that upon passing is the equivalent of a diploma and, with parental permission, would allow her to skip her senior year and go straight to college. This is generally referred to as "charging." She would get a certificate from the State of California which looks like a diploma but she is not "graduating" with her class -- which she doesn't mind.

Anna aced the exam, skipped her senior year of high school and enrolled at Gavilan College in Gilroy, Calif., as a freshman. Although it is early in her college career, she thinks she would like to pursue psychology. Personally, I think she will be a lawyer or politician! Either way, when she puts her mind to it, it happens.

Dale (Skip) Thrasher, Jr.

EDITOR'S CORNER



Eleanor Thrasher said she still has some cookbooks in case you haven't gotten one yet. Remember that they make good "keep-on-hand for the unexpected" gifts as well. There are no more supplements, so the price for the cookbook alone is \$10 plus \$2.50 shipping.

Coming in the next issue: David Sumner has written a brief, informative piece about using Google Alerts as a genealogical research tool, there will be definite reunion information, and (I hope) some news items from other family members.

Don't forget -- the address to send things for future issues is 13318 Omega Ct., Dade City, FL 33525; or send an e-mail to <beger@earthlink.net>. Pictures are always welcome and I promise to scan and return any you send!

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Bits and Pieces

Tentative Reunion Plans

Reunion plans are under way, but not yet firm. Mary and Jim Thrasher are checking for accommodations in St. Augustine, Fla. Unfortunately, Mary recently fell and fractured her foot -- not once, but twice! So things are on hold until she is allowed to do more than minimal walking. Dates will be June 24 - 26. Those of you who attended the 2005 reunion there know that St. Augustine offers something for everyone. Choices range from exploring its rich history as the oldest continuously settled city in the country to "shopping til you drop" in the "Old City" or at two modern outlet malls. And the many restaurants have all sorts of goodies for our food-loving Thrashers!

And most important of all -- very best wishes for a fast, complete recovery, Mary.

Directory Changes/Additions

Ken Thrasher's area code should be **843**, not 834.

Louise Thrasher Carpenter's new e-mail is <thuweez@aol.com>.

Our latest new member is from Texas. Her grandmother was Roberta Annie Thrasher, daughter of Velpo R. Thrasher. Welcome, Janie!

Janie Mathus Mosley
2030 Pontchartrain Dr.
Rockwell, TX 75087-6542
janiemosley@charter.net

Merry Christmas

and a happy new year

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Another Sports Connection!

There is already a Thrasher connection to hockey with the Atlanta Thrashers and now there is a minor-league baseball team tie-in!

The Clearwater Threshers are a Florida State League baseball team based in Clearwater, Florida. Since the 2004 season, the team has played in the West Division of the Florida State League, and is the high-A affiliate of the Philadelphia Phillies. The Threshers play their home games at Bright House Field. From 1985 to 2004, they were called the "Clearwater Phillies."

They played as the Clearwater Phillies through the 2003 season. After the 2003 season the team moved into a new ballpark, Bright House Networks Field, adjacent to the Phillies' minor league training facility. With the move to the new ballpark, the Clearwater Phillies renamed themselves the "Threshers" and adopted a new team logo and colors.



Reindeer Update

Evidently Thrasher the reindeer has become part of the holiday season TV repertoire. "Prep and Landing" was on again this year right along with Frosty and other kid fare. For those of you who have not yet seen or heard of him, Thrasher is in charge of the elves that precede Santa -- they make sure all is ready for his visit and light up the rooftop landing strips at each house.

The genealogy on the following pages -- "The Descendants of John Thrasher" -- was prepared and submitted by Robert Patton (Buddy) Thrasher, Columbus, Miss.

Descendants of John THRASHER

Generation No. 1

1. JOHN¹ THRASHER died 1788. He married RUTH CLOUD. She was born 1734 in Chester, Pa.

Marriage Notes for JOHN THRASHER and RUTH CLOUD:
_STATMARRIED

Children of JOHN THRASHER and RUTH CLOUD are:

- i. JOSEPH CLOUD² THRASHER.
- ii. JOHN THRASHER.
2. iii. ISAAC THRASHER, b. Abt. 1758, Va.

Generation No. 2

2. ISAAC² THRASHER (JOHN¹) was born Abt. 1758 in Va.. He married RUTH BARTON.

Marriage Notes for ISAAC THRASHER and RUTH BARTON:
_STATMARRIED

Child of ISAAC THRASHER and RUTH BARTON is:

3. i. JOHN³ THRASHER, b. 1790, Penlington S.C.; d. 1871, Bibb Co. Ala.

Generation No. 3

3. JOHN³ THRASHER (ISAAC², JOHN¹)^{1,2} was born 1790 in Penlington S.C., and died 1871 in Bibb Co. Ala. He married MARY ANN EVANS. She was born 21 Feb 1795 in South Carolina, and died 11 Feb 1855 in Ala.

More About JOHN THRASHER:

Burial: 1871, Thrasher Cemetery

Residence: 1860, West Side Cahaba River, Bibb, Alabama²

Marriage Notes for JOHN THRASHER and MARY EVANS:
_STATMARRIED

Children of JOHN THRASHER and MARY EVANS are:

- i. EMANUAL CLOUD⁴ THRASHER, b. 01 Jul 1831, Alabama.
- ii. MARY THRASHER, b. Abt. 1820, Alabama.
4. iii. JOSHUA THRASHER, b. 1812, Tennessee, USA; d. Pickens Co. Al.
- iv. JOHN W. THRASHER, b. 1814, Tennessee.
5. v. JOSEPH THRASHER, b. 1818, Bibb Co. Ala.
- vi. ISSAC T. THRASHER, b. 1825, Bibb County Al.
- vii. REBECCA THRASHER, b. 1827, Bibb County Al.
- viii. POLINE ANN THRASHER, b. 1830.
- ix. MARGARET THRASHER, b. 1833, Bibb County Al.

Generation No. 4

4. JOSHUA⁴ THRASHER (JOHN³, ISAAC², JOHN¹)³ was born 1812 in Tennessee, USA³, and died in Pickens Co. Al. He married (1) ADALINE ROLING. She was born 18 Sep 1813 in Tennessee, and died 10 Aug 1851 in Bibb Co. Ala. He married (2) MARY E. RILEY 14 Feb 1852 in Tuscaloosa, Alabama⁴.

More About JOSHUA THRASHER:
Burial: Gordo, Pickens County Al

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More About ADALINE ROLING:
Burial: Caffee Cemetery

Marriage Notes for JOSHUA THRASHER and ADALINE ROLING:
_STATMARRIED

Marriage Notes for JOSHUA THRASHER and MARY RILEY:
_STATMARRIED

Children of JOSHUA THRASHER and ADALINE ROLING are:

- i. MARION J⁵ THRASHER, b. 1833, Ala..
- ii. PAUL W. THRASHER, b. 1835, Ala.
- iii. JOHN C. THRASHER, b. 1837, Ala.
- iv. WILLIAM F. THRASHER, b. 1839, Ala.
- v. MARTHA THRASHER, b. Abt. 1840, Bibb County, Ala.
- vi. THOMAS J. THRASHER, b. 1844.
- vii. ANDREW J. THRASHER, b. 1849, Ala.
6. viii. JOSHUA A. THRASHER, b. 1850, Bibb County Al; d. 09 Dec 1918, Pickens County Al.

Children of JOSHUA THRASHER and MARY RILEY are:

- ix. ELIZABETH M⁵ THRASHER, b. 1853, Pickens County Al.
- x. TANDY R. THRASHER, b. 1856, Pickens County Al.
- xi. JAMES B. THRASHER, b. 1858, Pickens County Al.

5. JOSEPH⁴ THRASHER (*JOHN³, ISAAC², JOHN¹*)^{4,4} was born 1818 in Bibb Co. Ala. He married ELIZABETH ATKINS⁵. She was born 1823 in Alabama⁵.

More About JOSEPH THRASHER:
Residence: 1880, Kingdom, Bibb, Alabama, United States⁵

More About ELIZABETH ATKINS:
Residence: 1880, Kingdom, Bibb, Alabama, United States⁵

Child of JOSEPH THRASHER and ELIZABETH ATKINS is:

- i. AMANDA⁵ HARRIS⁵, b. 1853, Alabama⁵.

More About AMANDA HARRIS:
Residence: 1880, Kingdom, Bibb, Alabama, United States⁵

Generation No. 5

6. JOSHUA A.⁵ THRASHER (*JOSHUA⁴, JOHN³, ISAAC², JOHN¹*) was born 1850 in Bibb County Al, and died 09 Dec 1918 in Pickens County Al. He married (1) EMILY ELMORE⁶, daughter of ROLAND ELMORE and NANCY STRICKLAND. She was born Abt. 1848 in Pickens Co. Al, Southern District, and died in Pickens, Ala, USA. He married (2) MINDY CARVER. She died in Pickens, Ala, USA. He married (3) SAMANTHA ELMORE⁶ 23 Jan 1888 in Pickens County Alabama, daughter of ROLAND ELMORE and NANCY STRICKLAND. She was born Aug 1845 in Pickens Co. Al, Southern District, and died in Pickens, Ala, USA.

Notes for JOSHUA A. THRASHER:
Nickname: <NICK> Josh

More About JOSHUA A. THRASHER:
Other-Begin: Pickens County⁷
Residence: 1900, Bostic, Pickens, Alabama⁸

Notes for EMILY ELMORE:
BIOGRAPHY: In the cencus records Emily (1850), Emellia (1860), Emelia (1870) and Amelior (1880).

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Emily Elmore Thrasher died before 1888 she is buried in he Thrasher/Reynols Cemetery Pickens coujnty alabama

More About EMILY ELMORE:

Burial: Pickens, Ala, USA

Marriage Notes for JOSHUA THRASHER and EMILY ELMORE:

_STATMARRIED

Notes for MINDY CARVER:

Third wife of Joshua A. Thrasher is buried in the Hillis Springs Cemetery Pickens County Ala date unknown.
Information from Gail Hous's mother

More About MINDY CARVER:

Burial: Holly Springs Cematory, Pickens Co. Al

Marriage Notes for JOSHUA THRASHER and MINDY CARVER:

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Notes for SAMANTHA ELMORE:

Date of death unknown Place of burial from Gail House's Mother No marker on grave

More About SAMANTHA ELMORE:

Burial: Pickens, Ala, USA = Thrasher/Reynols Cemetery

Marriage Notes for JOSHUA THRASHER and SAMANTHA ELMORE:

_STATMARRIED

Children of JOSHUA THRASHER and EMILY ELMORE are:

7. i. JAMES MONRO⁶ THRASHER, b. 03 Oct 1872, Pickens Co Al.; d. 02 Dec 1951, Fayette, Ala.
8. ii. JOHN JORDAN THRASHER, b. 30 Jan 1874, Pickens, Ala, USA; d. 28 May 1950, Ala.
9. iii. CHARLEY THRASHER, b. Abt. 1877, Pickens Co Al.; d. Abt. 1881, Pickens Co Al.
10. iv. FLORNEY LEE THRASHER, b. May 1882, Pickens County Al.; d. Mar 1946, Louisville, Ms.
11. v. WILLIAM JACKSON THRASHER, b. 1870, Pickens, Ala, USA; d. 13 Jul 1940.
- vi. DANIEL WEBSTER THRASHER, b. 1879, Alabama.

Generation No. 6

7. JAMES MONRO⁶ THRASHER (*JOSHUA A.⁵, JOSHUA⁴, JOHN³, ISAAC², JOHN¹*) was born 03 Oct 1872 in Pickens Co Al., and died 02 Dec 1951 in Fayette, Ala. He married ANNIE ELIZABETH WELCH⁹ 14 Mar 1895 in Pickens County Alabama. She was born 08 Apr 1874 in Pickens, Alabama, USA⁹; and died 14 Apr 1932 in Lamar, Alabama, USA⁹.

Notes for JAMES MONRO THRASHER:

Marrage: Monro married Annie Welch in Pickens County Ala by S. W. Williams, Misister of he Gospel on March 14, 1895. alabama Marrages 1800-1920.

Notes for ANNIE ELIZABETH WELCH:

Marrage: James Monroe Thrasher married Annie Welch on 14 March 1895 in PickensCounty Ala. by Misister of the Gospel S. W. Williams.

Marriage Notes for JAMES THRASHER and ANNIE WELCH:

_STATMARRIED

Children of JAMES THRASHER and ANNIE WELCH are:

- i. VERDO⁷ THRASHER, b. 20 Nov 1897⁹; d. 04 Jul 1908⁹.

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- ii. JIMMY LEE THRASHER, b. 10 Jul 1905; d. 19 Aug 1968.
- iii. LUMMIE JOE THRASHER, b. 20 Jul 1908.
- iv. NOLIE THRASHER, b. 09 Aug 1903, Lamar County Milport Ala; d. Apr 1983, Tuscaloosa Co. Tuscaloosa, Ala.
- v. EMMIE ONNIE THRASHER, b. 11 Sep 1912, Bostic Community Pickens County Al; d. 07 Nov 1995; m. HIRAM ROBERT HOLMAN; b. 15 Nov 1898; d. 25 Jul 1995.

8. JOHN JORDAN⁶ THRASHER (*JOSHUA A.⁵, JOSHUA⁴, JOHN³, ISAAC², JOHN¹*) was born 30 Jan 1874 in Pickens, Ala, USA¹⁰, and died 28 May 1950 in Ala. He married LULA WILLIAMS¹¹ Abt. 1901. She was born 1881 in Alabama¹¹, and died 09 Jun 1947 in Tuscaloosa.

More About JOHN JORDAN THRASHER:

Residence: 1920, Bostic, Pickens, Alabama¹¹

More About LULA WILLIAMS:

Residence: 1920, Bostic, Pickens, Alabama¹¹

Children of JOHN THRASHER and LULA WILLIAMS are:

- i. EARVIN⁷ THRASHER¹¹, b. 1902, Alabama¹¹.

More About EARVIN THRASHER:

Residence: 1920, Bostic, Pickens, Alabama¹¹

- ii. WALTER THRASHER¹¹, b. 1903, Alabama¹¹.

More About WALTER THRASHER:

Residence: 1920, Bostic, Pickens, Alabama¹¹

- iii. MARLIN THRASHER¹¹, b. 1905, Alabama¹¹.

More About MARLIN THRASHER:

Residence: 1920, Bostic, Pickens, Alabama¹¹

- iv. LATHA THRASHER¹¹, b. 1907, Alabama¹¹.

More About LATHA THRASHER:

Residence: 1920, Bostic, Pickens, Alabama¹¹

- v. MERTICE THRASHER¹¹, b. 1911, Alabama¹¹.

More About MERTICE THRASHER:

Residence: 1920, Bostic, Pickens, Alabama¹¹

- vi. LOICE THRASHER¹¹, b. 1914, Alabama¹¹.

More About LOICE THRASHER:

Residence: 1920, Bostic, Pickens, Alabama¹¹

- vii. JUNIE THRASHER¹¹, b. 1918, Alabama¹¹.

More About JUNIE THRASHER:

Residence: 1920, Bostic, Pickens, Alabama¹¹

9. FLORNEY LEE⁶ THRASHER (*JOSHUA A.⁵, JOSHUA⁴, JOHN³, ISAAC², JOHN¹*) was born May 1882 in Pickens County Al., and died Mar 1946 in Louisville, Ms. He married (1) NEALEY GRAY, daughter of SAMUEL GRAY and MARY BALLARD. She was born 1882 in Pickens County Al, and died 1912 in Gordo, Pickens County Al. He married (2) SALLIE M. BROWNING. She was born May 1899 in Pickens County Al, and died 24 Nov 1918 in Pickens County Al. He married (3) LULA BELLE JOHNSTON. She was born Abt. 1906 in ms.

Notes for FLORNEY LEE THRASHER:

Sallie and Florney had two children both died as babies

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More About FLORNEY LEE THRASHER:
Burial: White Hall Cemetery Louisville Ms.

More About NEALEY GRAY:
Burial: 1912, Thrasher Cemetery

Marriage Notes for FLORNEY THRASHER and NEALEY GRAY:
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Children of FLORNEY THRASHER and NEALEY GRAY are:

12. i. IRENE⁷ THRASHER, b. 1906, Pickens County Al; d. Pickens County Al.
13. ii. SR ROBERT PATTON THRASHER, b. 04 Jan 1907, Pickens County Al; d. 21 Oct 1991, Columbus, Lowndes, Mississippi, United States of America.
14. iii. MARY ELIZEBETH THRASHER, b. 1910, Pickens County Al; d. Reform Al Nursing home Pickens County Al.
- iv. WESLEY THRASHER, b. Abt. 1911, Pickens County Al; d. Abt. 1912, Pickens County Al.

Children of FLORNEY THRASHER and SALLIE BROWNING are:

- v. BABY⁷ THRASHER, b. Pickens County Al; d. Pickens County Al.
- vi. BABY THRASHER, b. Pickens County Al; d. Pickens County Al.

Children of FLORNEY THRASHER and LULA JOHNSTON are:

- vii. HERLENE⁷ THRASHER, b. Winston Co. Ms; m. JAMES ROBINSON.
- viii. JAMES S. THRASHER, b. 11 Nov 1927, Winston Co. Ms; d. 18 Nov 1998, Monroe La..
- ix. FREEMAN L. THRASHER, b. 22 Jan 1932, Winston Co. Ms; d. 06 Jan 1992, Monroe La..
- x. LOU THRASHER, b. 30 Mar 1931, Winston Co. Ms; d. 08 Sep 1992, Los Angeles Ca..
- xi. DAVID W. THRASHER, b. 05 Dec 1941, Winston Co. Ms; d. 25 Sep 1996, Middlesex N. J..
15. xii. LOUISE T. THRASHER, b. Winston Co. Ms; d. Clarksdale Ms.

10. WILLIAM JACKSON⁶ THRASHER (*JOSHUA A.⁵, JOSHUA⁴, JOHN³, ISAAC², JOHN¹*)¹² was born 1870 in Pickens, Ala, USA¹², and died 13 Jul 1940¹². He married (1) SUSIE MAE BERNICE THRASHER. She was born 09 May 1898, and died 07 Apr 1933. He married (2) EVIE A WELCH 16 Jan 1890 in Pickens County Alabama¹².

More About WILLIAM JACKSON THRASHER:
Residence: 1920, Bostic, Pickens, Alabama^{13,13,13,13,13,13,13}

Children of WILLIAM THRASHER and SUSIE THRASHER are:

- i. CHARLES WEBSTER⁷ THRASHER.
- ii. DAVID J. THRASHER.
- iii. HOBSON THRASHER¹³, b. 1917, Alabama¹³.

More About HOBSON THRASHER:
Residence: 1920, Bostic, Pickens, Alabama¹³

- iv. LUCILLE THRASHER, b. 1919, Alabama; d. ?

More About LUCILLE THRASHER:
Residence: 1920, Bostic, Pickens, Alabama¹³

- v. FLORA MAE THRASHER.

Children of WILLIAM THRASHER and EVIE WELCH are:

- vi. WILLIAM EDGER⁷ THRASHER, b. 1901.
- vii. EVIE THRASHER¹⁴, b. 1897¹⁴.
- viii. EFFIE MAE THRASHER¹⁴.
- ix. HENRY OTIS THRASHER¹⁴, b. 1905.
- x. GIRLIE JACKSON THRASHER¹⁴, b. 1903.
- xi. ALLIE THRASHER¹⁴, b. 1893.

11. DANIEL WEBSTER⁶ THRASHER (*JOSHUA A.⁵, JOSHUA⁴, JOHN³, ISAAC², JOHN¹*)^{15,16,16} was born 1879 in Alabama^{17,18,19}. He married ELLA M. THRASHER²⁰ Abt. 1906. She was born 1891 in Alabama²⁰.

More About DANIEL WEBSTER THRASHER:

Other-Begin: Pickens County^{21,21}

Residence: 1900, Bostic, Pickens, Alabama²²

More About ELLA M. THRASHER:

Residence: 1910, Bostic, Pickens, Alabama²³

Children of DANIEL THRASHER and ELLA THRASHER are:

i. EMMIT D.⁷ THRASHER²³, b. 1907, Alabama²³.

More About EMMIT D. THRASHER:

Residence: 1910, Bostic, Pickens, Alabama²³

ii. WILLIAM B. THRASHER²³, b. 1908, Alabama²³.

More About WILLIAM B. THRASHER:

Residence: 1910, Bostic, Pickens, Alabama²³

iii. MAGLINE THRASHER, b. 1911, Alabama.

iv. CHARLIE W. THRASHER, b. 1917, Alabama.

Generation No. 7

12. IRENE⁷ THRASHER (*FLORNEY LEE⁶, JOSHUA A.⁵, JOSHUA⁴, JOHN³, ISAAC², JOHN¹*) was born 1906 in Pickens County AL, and died in Pickens County AL. She married EARLY MONROE COOK. He died in Pickens, Ala, USA.

Children of IRENE THRASHER and EARLY COOK are:

i. NELEY LOUISE⁸ COOK.

ii. DOROTHY COOK.

iii. BETTY JEAN COOK.

iv. MARGIE NELL COOK.

13. SR ROBERT PATTON⁷ THRASHER (*FLORNEY LEE⁶, JOSHUA A.⁵, JOSHUA⁴, JOHN³, ISAAC², JOHN¹*) was born 04 Jan 1907 in Pickens County AL, and died 21 Oct 1991 in Columbus, Lowndes, Mississippi, United States of America²⁴. He married MARY LORENE PRIDMORE 01 Jul 1933 in Steens Ms, Lowndes County, daughter of NOLAND PRIDMORE and ANNIE HUGHES. She was born 11 Aug 1917 in Lowndes Co. Ms..

Notes for SR ROBERT PATTON THRASHER:

Nickname:<NICK> Pat

Name Suffix:<NSFX> Sr

More About SR ROBERT PATTON THRASHER:

Burial: Lowndes Co Col. Ms. Beershaba Presy. Cemetery

Social Security Number: 427-22-2210²⁴

SSN issued: Mississippi²⁴

Marriage Notes for ROBERT THRASHER and MARY PRIDMORE:

_STATMARRIED

Children of ROBERT THRASHER and MARY PRIDMORE are:

i. NEALIE GENEVA⁸ THRASHER, b. 25 Jan 1934, Pickens Co AL; m. JAMES RAY GILDON, 05 May 1951, Lowndes County Mississippi, Ref Ms marriage records; b. 01 Dec 1927, Pickens County AL.

Notes for NEALIE GENEVA THRASHER:

Nealie Married James Gildon born 02 Dec. 1927 in Pickens County Ala

More About NEALIE GENEVA THRASHER:
Graduation: May 1951, New Hope High School, Lowndes County Mississippi
Marrage: 05 May 1951, Columbus Ms

Marriage Notes for NEALIE THRASHER and JAMES GILDON:
_STATMARRIED

- ii. JR ROBERT PATTON THRASHER, b. 21 Mar 1936, Pickens County Al; m. GLENDA JOY CRUM, 28 Jun 1959, Alcorn Co. Cornith, Ms; b. 12 Aug 1940, New Orleans La..

Notes for JR ROBERT PATTON THRASHER:

Nickname: <NICK> Buddy

Name Suffix: <NSFX> Jr

BIOGRAPHY: Started School at Forrest One room school Forrest Al. 1941-1944 Moved to Liberty 4th grade 1945. Moved to Lowndes County Al Jan. 1946 to begin School at New Hope.
Enter National Guard 1952 During high school.

Graduated: 5/3/54 New Hope High School Lowndes County Ms.

First Job was with FBI in Washington DC May 1954 as Fingerprint Tec.

Entered US Army Jan. 1955, Basic Training at Fort Knox Ky. Then to Fort Devens Mass. for school in ASA Cryptography. went To Germany in Sept. 1955 returned to USA in Jan. 1958. released from Army Jan. 1958. remained in inactive reserve until 1961. Started work with American Bosch in Columbus Ms. 1958. Married 1959 and started to Miss. State University for Freshman year. After freshman year dropped out and did Correspondence with Intenational Correspondence Schools Recieved Deploma in 1969. Continued work with American Bosch until 1978 when theywere sold to United Technologies. In 1986 UT transfered me to Dearborn Mi. Where we remained until 1996 then was moved to Brownsville Tx. In 1998 UT sold to Lear Corp. lear then sold Our division to Johnson Electric Hq's in Hong kong China. Remained with JE until Feb.2002 when i Retired after 44.5 years. Moved back to Columbus Ms.

BIRTH: Born march 21, 1936 in Pickens County Al.in a tin topped shotgun 3 room house about 2 miles from the Ms Line.

Notes for GLENDA JOY CRUM:

Glenda was Born in New Orleans La. To Jimmy Ruth Gober (unwed) and given up to adoption 1940. She was adopted by Mr. Duffy Turner Crum and Hettie Ketchem (Garrett) Crum In 1941 from the Mississippi Childrens Home, Jackson Ms. After adopted parents death Glenda located oher Mother in ALq. New Mexico. There was no other Children born to Ruth. Ruth Moved to Columbus Ms. May 2005 where She and Glenda have a very good relationship. Ruth is enjoying her Grand and Great Grand Children.

BIOGRAPHY: Glenda was born (named Barbara Jean Gober) in New Orleans La. to Jimmie Ruth Gober (unwed) and given up for adoption. She was moved from N.O. la. to Jackson Mississippi Childrens home. She was adopted by Mr. Duffy Turner Crum and Mrs Hettie Ketchum (Garrett) Crum living in Cornith Miss. in 1941. After adoped parents Glenda located Ruth in Albq. New Mexico. After Glenda's birth she married but had no other children. After his death she moved to NewMexico. Ruth now has moved to Columbus to be near the family and is enjoyin the Grand and Great Grand Children.

Marriage Notes for ROBERT THRASHER and GLENDA CRUM:
_STATMARRIED

- iii. SHIRLEY MOZETT THRASHER, b. 06 Aug 1938, Pickens County Al; m. (1) ROLAND RAY; m. (2) HAROLD NANCE, 1956, Tuscaloosa Al; m. (3) SAMUAL PARKER, Jun 1959, Columbus Lowndes Co. Ms; b. 09 May 1937, Pickens, Ala, USA; d. 13 Mar 1993, Tuscaloosa, Al.

Notes for SHIRLEY MOZETT THRASHER:

First Marrage to Rolalnd Ray ended in divorce

Second marrage ended in Death of Samual P:arker

third marrage ended in divorce to Harold Nance

Marriage Notes for SHIRLEY THRASHER and ROLAND RAY:
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More About SAMUAL PARKER:
Burial: Tuscaloosa Co Al

Marriage Notes for SHIRLEY THRASHER and SAMUAL PARKER:
_STATMARRIED

- iv. LANADA GAIL THRASHER, b. 26 Sep 1944, Pickens County Al; m. RONALD MARCINKO, 15 Jul 1962, Lowndes County Mississippi²⁵; b. 27 Sep 1942, Penn. USA.

Notes for LANADA GAIL THRASHER:

Ron and Lanada married on 15 July 1962 at Beersheba Church Lowndes Co Ms

Notes for RONALD MARCINKO:

Ron and Lanada married in Beersheba Church in Lowndes County Ms on 15 July 1962

- v. ANGIE MARCELLA THRASHER, b. 18 Sep 1951, Lowndes Co Col. Ms.; m. JAMES EDWARD WHITTEN; b. 23 Nov 1946, Pickens Co Al.

Marriage Notes for ANGIE THRASHER and JAMES WHITTEN:
_STATMARRIED

- vi. TAMMY LYNN THRASHER, b. 25 Feb 1960, Lowndes Co Col. Ms.; m. RONALD STEVENS, 18 Apr 1980, Lowndes County Mississippi, Caldonia; b. 18 Oct 1954.

Notes for RONALD STEVENS:
Nickname:<NICK> Ron

Marriage Notes for TAMMY THRASHER and RONALD STEVENS:
_STATMARRIED

14. MARY ELIZABETH⁷ THRASHER (*FLORNEY LEE⁶, JOSHUA A.⁵, JOSHUA⁴, JOHN³, ISAAC², JOHN¹*) was born 1910 in Pickens County Al, and died in Reform Al Nursing home Pickens County Al. She married HARVEY BONDS. He died in Reform Al Nursing home Pickens Co Al.

Notes for MARY ELIZABETH THRASHER:
Nickname:<NICK> Lizzie

Children of MARY THRASHER and HARVEY BONDS are:

- i. PAUL⁸ BONDS, b. Lowndes County Ms.
- ii. JIMMIE BONDS, b. Lowndes County Ms.

15. LOUISE T.⁷ THRASHER (*FLORNEY LEE⁶, JOSHUA A.⁵, JOSHUA⁴, JOHN³, ISAAC², JOHN¹*) was born in Winston Co. Ms, and died in Clarksdale Ms. She married JIMMY L. RICHARDSON. He was born in Louisville, Ms.

More About LOUISE T. THRASHER:

Burial: 31 Jan 2007, Beth Eden Cemetery, Louisville Ms

Children of LOUISE THRASHER and JIMMY RICHARDSON are:

- i. TIMMY LAWERANCE⁸ RICHARDSON, b. 14 Oct 1966, Vicksburg Ms; d. 13 Jul 1967, Columbus, Lowndes County Ms.

Notes for TIMMY LAWERANCE RICHARDSON:

Timmy Died from ingeres from a Automobile acident on July 13, 1967 at the intersection of ANew Hope Road and highway 182 (82) about 5 miles east of Columbus Ms. In Lowndes County. He was buried in Beth Eden Cemetery Louisville Ms.

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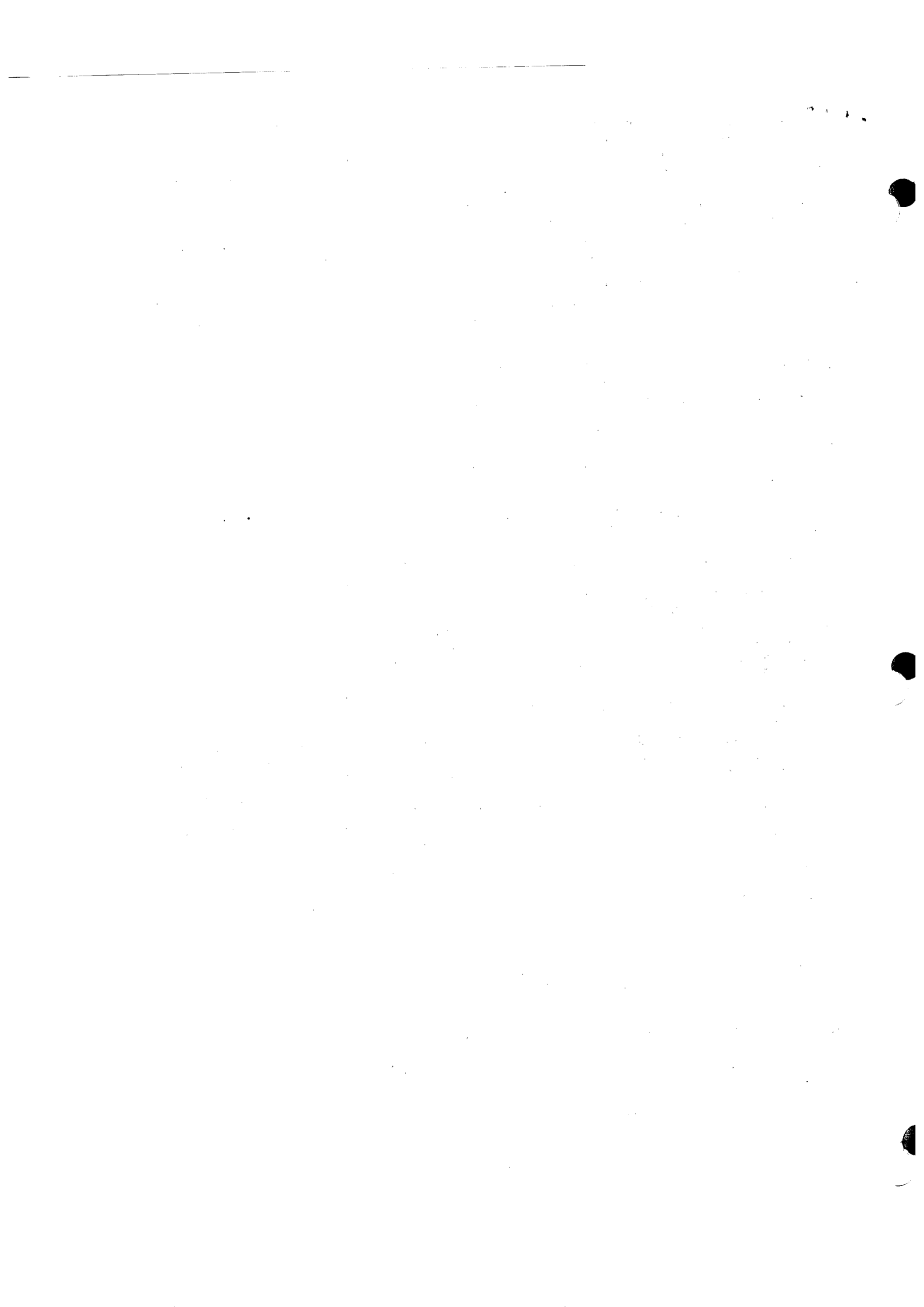
ii. MELISSA RICHARDSON KING, b. Vicksburg, Ms.

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The Thrasher Newsletter

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Get Ready for Fun, Food and Fellowship -- Come to St. Augustine this June!

Mary and Jim Thrasher have planned what promises to be a fun time for the 2011 Thrasher Family Association reunion. We will be gathering in St. Augustine, Fla., June 24 - 26. A block of rooms has been set aside at the Holiday Inn Express, 2300 State Road 16, St. Augustine, for Friday, June 24 and Saturday, June 25. Cutoff date for reservations is June 10. However,



St. George Street

if rooms are available after that date, reservations can still be made at the same group price. Rooms have either two queen beds or a king-size bed and our group rate is \$89.00. Room tax is 10%. Cancellations are accepted until 4:00 p.m. on the day of arrival. Reservations must be made by calling the Holiday Inn Express direct at 904-824-5151 and asking for the Thrasher Family Association rate. A credit card guarantee is required. Anyone who wishes to come a few days early or stay a few days after the reunion can do so at the group rate.

The meeting room has been reserved for our use, so be sure to bring your materials for "show and tell." Our annual meeting will begin promptly at 2:00 p.m. Saturday due to dinner being early. If anyone would like to bring a door prize for the meeting it would be great. That has been a fun addition over the past few years. Mary wrote that snacks will also be welcome, saying "I

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never met a Thrasher yet who didn't enjoy munching on some goodies."

A hot breakfast bar is included in the room rate. There is an indoor swimming pool and an exercise room available at no extra charge. A laundry room is also at our disposal.

Friday night dinner will be at the Raintree Seafood & Steakhouse, 102 San Marco Ave., in the downtown historic area. Our group will have a private room. The menu will consist of three entree choices: filet mignon, chicken saltimbocca, or baked salmon. A salad, two sides and dessert are included, along with coffee and tea. The price of \$36.90 per person includes tax and gratuity. Alcoholic beverages or appetizers are extra. Parking is available at no charge. This restaurant is recognized nationally and internationally as one of Florida's top destination restaurants. If you attended the 2005 reunion you'll remember how good the food was then! Saturday evening dinner will be at



The Old Jail

Barnacle Bill's Downtown, 14 Castillo Drive. Plenty of parking is available. We can order from the regular menu and individual checks will be provided.

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St. Augustine in June

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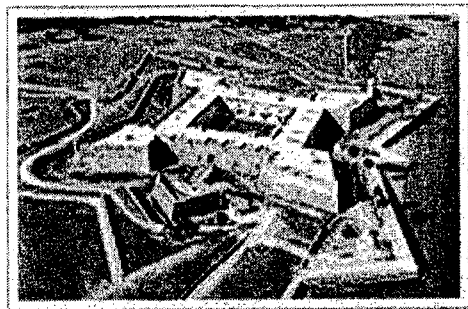
Dinner will be early -- 5:00 p.m. -- they don't normally take group reservations on the weekends due to all the "locals" dining there. With this early dinner time, folks may want to take a stroll down to the historic area afterward. A chance to see some sights and work off calories at the same time!

Located immediately off I-95, the hotel is just six miles from the ancient St. Augustine historic district. But St. Augustine offers much more than history! If you have visited St. Augustine before then you know how much there is to see and do, and if the reunion will be your first visit be prepared to be delighted with all the city has to offer. With its beaches, historic sites, a host of great restaurants, the shopping opportunities at two outlet malls and much more, St. Augustine is an unforgettable place.

On August 28, the Feast Day of Saint Augustine, Don Pedro Menendez de Aviles first sighted the coast of Florida. Twelve days later, on September 8, he stepped ashore, planted the Spanish flag into the sandy soil and, with soldiers and settlers who had traveled with him and Timicuanos who greeted his arrival watching, Menendez founded a new city and named it St. Augustine. The year was 1565.

Whatever your definition of fun, you're sure to find it here. A beach lover?? Visit Anastasia State Park with its gorgeous beaches and fishing. Feeling like some exercise? Visit the recently restored St. Augustine Lighthouse. After looking at the exhibits at ground level, if you are up for the complete experience and feeling really fit, it's a huff-and-puff climb up 219 stairs. As you climb imagine being a keeper carrying 30-pound buckets of hot lard up to fuel the flame. Sign up for an evening Ghost Tour -- either on foot or a less strenuous but just as scary version on one of the trolleys, visit Ripley's Believe It or Not (a true museum of the weird), or enjoy the beauty of Flagler College's signature

building with its stained glass windows. Ghostly note: Henry Flagler, the Standard Oil magnate who transformed Florida with grandiose hotels and railroads, died in 1913 and was lying in state in the rotunda of the building that is now his namesake college. Local legend holds that during the service, the casket lid slammed down, a puff of



Castillo de San Marcos

smoke flew up to the top of the dome, flashed down like lightning and seared a portrait of the man himself in one of the inch-square floor tiles. Just ask a local where to look in this sea of mosaic tiles that form the floor.

Catch a glimpse of past defense fortifications in a tour of Castillo de San Marcos. Cross the drawbridge; close your eyes -- you can almost imagine the smell of ancient gunpowder as its cannons were fired; look around you and visualize the soldiers' lives in what must have been a dark and gloomy place.

In St. Augustine there is a panoply of offerings from which to choose for your enjoyment. With more than four centuries of colorful local history to draw from, the combination of historic sites and modern-day storytelling make the attractions of St. Augustine one of the most popular features of this oldest continuously occupied European settlement in the United States.

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A Remembrance: The World's Smallest Airport

By Grady Thrasher

Perhaps the only traveling circus ever to spring from Athens roots to national recognition in the Smithsonian Air and Space Museum was the innovative and outrageous 1940s air show known as The Thrasher Brothers' Aerial Circus.

In 1945 my father, Grady Thrasher, and his two younger brothers, Bud and Tunis, returned home to Athens from service during World War II. Bud and Tunis saw Naval action on ships in the Pacific. Grady, an experienced pilot before Pearl Harbor, spent his war years as a flight instructor for the Army Air Corps.

When the war ended, Grady happily accepted an offer to return to Athens to help manage its airport. Bud and Tunis, who had been taught to fly by brother Grady as teenagers before the war, arrived back in Athens without clear employment or career prospects.

But, as they would later recount, they were "ready to try anything that didn't involve being shot at."

I was three years old at the time. My mother, a 22-year-old native of Toccoa, was pregnant with my sister, Miki. For a while, we all, including Uncle Bud and Uncle Tunis, both unmarried, lived with my Grandmother Thrasher in her home at 840 West Hancock Avenue. The spacious, aging Victorian-era structure, squeezed onto a small, terraced lot, easily accommodated everyone. The tiny back yard ended a few feet from the emergency entrance to the original St. Mary's Hospital on Milledge Avenue, a venue for witnessing continual drama, both exhilarating and tragic, throughout my early childhood.

All three Thrasher brothers had grown up in the old house. Grandmother

Thrasher, widowed at the outset of the Great Depression, had raised her children on the value of thrift, initiative and self-reliance, and taught them that a good sense of humor can soften the hardest of times. As a teenager, Grady learned to fly before the war while hanging out and doing odd jobs for pilots and maintenance personnel at the Athens airport.

Although only 26 when the war ended, he had logged several thousand hours flying and flight instructing, and was proficient in all aspect of avionics. Aware that airplanes, generally, and daring aero-

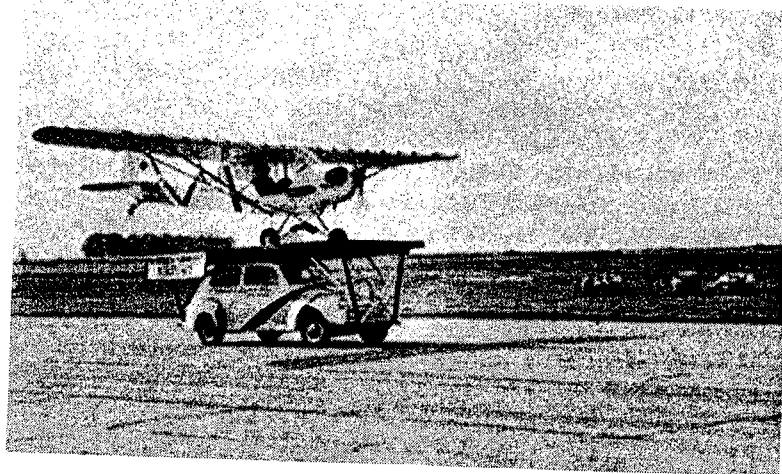
batics, in particular, had captured the postwar public's fancy, he convinced his brothers that people would pay to see the three of them perform aerobatic stunts at the Athens Airport.

But first, they needed an airplane.

Lucky for them, the federal government at that time was disposing of its war surplus equipment at public auction. The brothers scrounged up a few hundred dollars and made a successful bid on an almost new, ready to fly, maneuverable, single-engine Piper Cub,

Then, as my father told it, "We had some really good luck. I got a loan from an Athens bank and purchased the first brand-new 1946 sedan delivered by the Ford Motor Company to an Athens dealership."

They painted the car white with red stripes, then built a steel and wooden platform on top strong enough to bear the weight of the Piper Cub. Signs were created and placed on the sides of the platform to proclaim "The World's Smallest Airport." The Thrasher Brothers' Aerial Circus was born.



The World's Smallest Airport

The World's Smallest Airport

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The trick was to land and take off as the "airport" sped down the runway.

The brothers practiced during the week and performed their aerial feats on Sunday afternoons, first at the Athens Airport, then at airports throughout the Southeast. The acts included a "delayed opening" parachute jump by Bud (an early version of skydiving) and wing walking, during which Bud hung by his bare hands or knees from the wing struts of the Piper Cub piloted by Grady. Soon they acquired a couple of old, but powerful, radial engine biplanes in which the brothers, piloting separate planes, could perform an amazing array of coordinated loops, spins, rolls and other stunts. Carefully choreographed near misses always drew gasps from crowds.

The centerpiece act of the Aerial Circus was Grady's landing the Piper Cub onto The World's Smallest Airport as Tunis drove it down the runway. Sometimes, a strong crosswind required two or three approaches before a successful landing could be achieved, but Grady always managed to get it done. When Tunis stopped the car, Grady would step out of the airplane, grin and wave to the crowd. Then he climbed back into the cockpit, pushed the airplane's throttle forward, and as Tunis accelerated The World's Smallest Airport to Piper Cub takeoff speed (about 60 mph), Grady and the Piper Cub would roar back into the sky.

As their daredevil reputations spread, the Thrasher brothers received invitations to perform at airports all around the country, but Athens was where it began, and Athens was where it ended in 1950 when Grady, Bud and Tunis decided to quit pressing their luck. They shut down the Aerial Circus, sold their airplanes and sought more conventional ways to earn a living.

Their feats were not forgotten, however. In 1976, when the new Smithsonian Air and Space Museum opened in Washington, DC, the Thrasher Brothers' Aerial Circus story and photographs were displayed in the Exhibition Flying Hall of the museum. They remained on display there until 1981.

In the early years of the Flying Circus, the income generated barely exceeded

the costs of putting on the shows. I remember as a five year-old, riding with my father in the Piper Cub above the Athens airport on Sunday just before a show would begin, both of us counting the vehicles lined up to gain entrance to the airport. The price of admission was a dollar per car, truck or tractor without regard to the number of people it carried.

But there is another side to the story.

In 1947, most of the Air Circus airplanes and practice sessions were moved to Elberton's then little-used airport to avoid interfering with the growing air traffic around Athens. For about 18 months we lived in Elberton before moving back to Athens. The tight finances of the Air Circus made it necessary for The World's Smallest Airport to serve also as our family car.

My mother, never a good driver to begin with, would take me to kindergarten, go grocery shopping and run typical household errands in the red-and-white-striped Ford turned mobile-aircraft landing strip. On several occasions, the extended-corners landing platform ripped into store awnings and dented traffic signs when she took the unwieldy vehicle into town. The merchants and town officials were forgiving at first, perhaps because of the novelty of it all, but eventually the Elberton police chief sent a polite letter to my father requesting, "for public safety reasons, please do not allow Mrs. Thrasher to drive The World's Smallest Airport inside Elberton's city limits".

Whether for that reason or other, we moved back to Athens and lived in a house on the Athens Airport grounds until the Aerial Circus closed in 1950. By 1949, when I was in the third grade, we could afford a new family car. In 1951 the unused, rusting and battered World's Smallest Airport was sold for parts.

H. Grady Thrasher III is a retired attorney and the author of three children's books. He lives in Athens, Georgia, and also has a home in Watkinsville, Georgia, where he does his writing. Grady very kindly gave his permission to reprint this article, which first appeared in Flagpole Magazine.

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Using Google alerts

By David E. Sumner

Google alerts are an Internet tool mentioned at last year's Savannah reunion as a way of keeping up with Thrasher family research. You can monitor the Internet for interesting new content about the Thrasher family or for any other topic you choose using it.

Google alerts are email updates of the latest relevant Google results (web, news, video, etc.) based on your choice of a topic. Here's how you find it. Go to www.google.com. At the top of the page you will see the options "web," "news," "video," "blog," "shopping," "gmail," and "more." Click on "More." When the next dialogue box comes up, you will see a list of several more options with the last one titled "Even More." Click on "Even More." Then a dialogue box shows you a list of these options and the very first one is "Alerts." Click on this option. Then you can type in your search term, your email address, and choose whether you want results e-mailed to you as they happen, once a day, or once a week.

For example, I signed up for Google alerts using the search term "Thrasher." Almost immediately it gave me the results of four newspaper or TV website articles involving people named Thrasher. These media outlets included the St. Augustine Record, Tampa Tribune, KVOA-TV in Tucson, and the Ventura County (CA) Star. If you choose a broad term like "Thrasher" you will get frequent results. If you choose a narrow term, like the name of "John J. Thrasher" results, of course, will be infrequent. Or you can use it to follow any of your favorite sports stars, celebrities, or any other topics of special interest.

David Sumner has been generous with his contributions to the newsletter. His profiles of members have been enjoyed by everyone. Now this piece on using Google Alerts can help a lot with finding information on the Web. Thanks, David.

In Memoriam

Idus Thrasher Woodruff

Mr. Idus Thrasher (Ike) Woodruff, Jr., age 60, passed away on January 1, 2011. He was born on October 28, 1950, in Zebulon, Georgia.

He graduated from Griffin High School in 1968 and The University of Georgia in 1972. He was an avid tennis player, hunter, and runner who ran the Peachtree Road Race many times even after he was diagnosed with multiple sclerosis.

Ike Woodruff was preceded in death by his father, Idus Thrasher Woodruff. He is survived by his wife, Becky Hendrix Woodruff; a son, Idus Thrasher Woodruff, III; a daughter, Katie Brooks Woodruff; his mother, Gladys Brooks Woodruff; and two brothers, James Ronald Woodruff and Comer Brooks Woodruff.

James V. Pleasants

James V. (Jim) Pleasants, 74, of St. Simons Island, GA died January 22, 2011.

Mr. Pleasants was born on August 17, 1936, in Tiger, Georgia. After graduating from Young Harris College in 1956 he entered the Naval Aviation Cadet program in Pensacola, Fla., where he was commissioned as a 2nd Lieutenant in the US Marine Corps. His first assignment was to fighter squadron (VMF-232, The Red Devils) stationed at Marine Corps Air Station Kaneohe Bay, Hawaii.

He graduated in 1964 from the University of Georgia School of Law and began practice in Rabun County, Georgia. He reentered active military service and had two tours of duty as a fighter pilot during the Vietnam War. Leaving the military in 1976, he moved to St. Simons Island, where he again practiced law.

Survivors include his wife Jeanne, his son Pau Pleasants; daughter Dr. Anna Sobolewski; sisters Margaret (Peggy) Pleasants Thrasher and Janie P. Taylor as well as numerous others.

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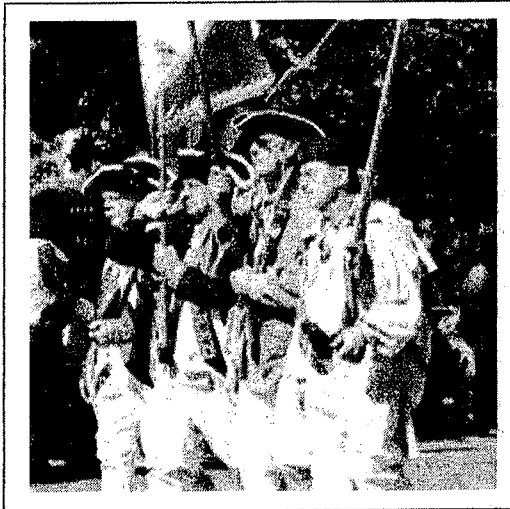
Bits and Pieces

Jim Thrasher SAR Chapter President

Jim Thrasher has been elected president of the Lake City, Florida, chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution for 2011.

The SAR currently has 28,000 members in over 500 chapters in the United States, Canada, France, Germany, Switzerland, and the United Kingdom. Almost 165,000 descendants of those who brought this country into being have been admitted since the organization's founding, including 16 presidents of the United States.

Third from left in the picture below is Jim with some of his fellow SAR members as they marched in the Tallahassee Veterans' Day parade last November.



Directory Changes/Additions

There are five **new members** to add to your directories! Welcome to all!

Deborah Dodd Squires
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Nancy001@centurytel.net

Michael S. & Elizabeth Thrasher
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Anna Maria, FL 34216
918-896-6301
mike@yellowfish.com

Robert E. & Barbara Thrasher
Batiki West Condo #407
Ft. Myers Beach, FL 33931
(winter address)
5062 Wynn Park Dr.
Oregon, OH 43616
(summer address)

New e-mail address:

Linda Burkhalter -- change to
oconeedawg@comcast.net

EDITOR'S CORNER



Be sure to make your reunion reservations early -- June 10 may seem a long way off, but it will creep up and catch you unaware! The reunions always have a great group of people and lots of fun and good food. One thing that seems to be a common thread with Thrashers is a love of "good eats"!

Eleanor Thrasher still has some cookbooks available -- books only, supplements are sold out -- so check with her if you'd like one for yourself or for a gift. Cookbook only price is \$10, and if you want to order by mail the postage is \$2. Her address is 6424 S.E. 169th Ave., Micanopy, FL, 32667.

Spring frequently brings graduations and weddings -- if you have a special event coming up (new babies, too) we'd love to have the information so that it can be included in the newsletter.

Don't forget -- the address to send items for future issues is 13318 Omega Ct., Dade City, FL 33525; or send an e-mail to <beger@earthlink.net>.

The Thrasher Newsletter

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Reunion Reservation Deadlines Fast Approaching!

Reunion time is closer than you think! When you receive this newsletter both dinner and motel reservation deadlines will be less than three weeks away, so stop procrastinating and act NOW!

In case you don't have the last issue handy, here's a repeat of the information.

A block of rooms has been set aside at the Holiday Inn Express, 2300 State Road 16, St. Augustine, for Friday, June 24 and Saturday, June 25. Located immediately off I-95 at exit 318, the hotel is just six miles from the St. Augustine historic district. Cutoff date for reservations is June 10. However, if rooms are available after that date, reservations can still be made at the same group price. The reservations desk will make every effort to have our group close together. Rooms have either two queen beds or a king-size bed and our group rate is \$89.00 plus 10% tax. Handicapped rooms are available. A hot breakfast bar is included in the room rate. Rooms are equipped with microwaves and refrigerators and there is wi-fi at no charge.

Reservations must be made by calling the Holiday Inn Express direct at 904-824-5151 and asking for the Thrasher Family Association rate. A credit card guarantee is required. Cancellations are accepted until 4:00 p.m. on the day of arrival. Anyone who wishes to come a few days early or stay a few days after the reunion can do so at the group rate.

The meeting room has been reserved for our use for the entire weekend, which gives us plenty of room for "show and tell," so bring your charts, pictures, books, etc. to share; a small door prize to add to the "pile" would be welcome. Our annual meeting will begin promptly at 2:00 p.m. Saturday.

Friday night dinner will be at the Raintree Seafood & Steakhouse, 102 San Marco Ave., in the downtown historic area. Our group will have a private room. We have three entree choices: filet mignon, chicken saltimbocca, or baked salmon. A salad, two sides and dessert are included, along with coffee and tea. The price of \$36.90 per person includes tax and gratuity. Alcoholic beverages or appetizers are extra. Parking is available at no charge. Deadline for sending your meal reservation form to Mary Thrasher is the same as the hotel reservation deadline - June 10 - so be sure to send it soon. Form is the last page of this newsletter.

Saturday evening dinner will be at Barnacle Bill's Downtown, 14 Castillo Drive. Plenty of parking is available. We can order from the regular menu and individual checks will be provided. Dinner will be early - 5:00 p.m. - they don't normally even take group reservations on weekends due to all the "locals" dining there. With dinner at 5:00, there will still be daylight to take an after-dinner walk through the historic area to see some sights and work off calories at the same time!

St. Augustine has many more things from which to choose. More than four centuries of history make this oldest continuously occupied European settlement in the United States a fun and educational place to visit so you may want to come in a day or two early or tarry afterward to enjoy some of them. And check out the two outlet malls if you need a modern shopping "fix."

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DNA Project Update

By Nancy Cherry

Results from our first British participant are in, and, disappointingly, he is not a close match with any of our established family lines. David Thrasher of Surrey, whose family was in Frome Somerset for generations, is of the same R1b1a2 haplogroup as most of the TFA participants. However, enough of his markers differ from those of our American participants that his tie-ins with us are remote, at best.

He is another example of why it is important to invite Thrasher men of unknown lineage to join our study. We now have several men with no matches in the study but the power of the study to link fragmented families will grow as the number of participants increases.

FTDNA has announced a new Y-chromosome test for 111 markers for new customers. The cost is \$339. The company also offers an upgrade, from 67 to 111 markers, for \$101. FTDNA requests that any current participant who has not yet tested for 67 markers upgrade to the Y-67 test before adding the additional 44 that comprise the Y-111 upgrade. Although some FTDNA surname projects are establishing the Y-67 test as their standard and even contemplating changing their standard to the Y-111 test in a few years, our standard for the moment will remain the Y-37, with upgrades to be purchased as preference or the need for further definition requires.

If, on the other hand, you wish to leave behind as much genetic information as possible, you may want to upgrade and/or to invest in the mtDNA test for your mother's maternal line or the Family Finder test to identify male and female descendants of any of your ancestors for the past several generations.

In Memorium

John Richard Goldsby

John Richard Goldsby, 79, of Bellair Bluffs, Fla., passed away March 20, 2011. Richard was born August 14, 1931 in Dade City, Fla. Richard was a bookkeeper. He was employed by Slough Groves early on, then spent many years working for Wallace Hatchery before retiring to Bellair Bluffs.

He is survived by his wife, Frankie Sumner Wubbena Goldsby, two sons, Joey (Lisa) Wubbena and Charles Wubbena, Sr., and a daughter, Kaye Kirkpatrick, one sister, Marjorie Miranda, six grandchildren and two great-grandchildren and many nephews and nieces. Richard was predeceased by his parents, Anne Mae and Sidney (Bun) Goldsby, and brother Robert (Bobby) Goldsby.

Richard served 12 years in the Florida National Guard and enjoyed volunteering for many civic groups: as a volunteer firefighter for the Dade City Fire Dept.; as treasurer for First Presbyterian Church -- Dade City; treasurer for Florida Gulf Coast Joey's RV Club; and with the AARP in Largo, Fla.

Services were held at the First Presbyterian Church in Dade City March 26. Interment was in Dade City Cemetery. A memorial service was also held at the Christ Presbyterian Church in Largo, Fla., March 27.

Note from the Editor

This issue is a little short of what one usually looks like and contains. I had a "computer disaster" and while I have a new one, all of the old material has become unavailable and my old software is too old (Who knew that software is so much like people?) to function on the new computer. So this issue is sort of a wing it on a laptop that does have the layout software, but not all the items I had for publication. If you sent me something prior to mid-April please resend it or tell me about it at the reunion. Thanks.

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The Magazine Man They Call DOC

By Meira Bienstock

As a young child in the 1950s, David Sumner grew up on a farm in central Florida where his father was an orange grower and rancher.

The family subscribed to two magazines: *The Progressive Farmer* and the widely popular *LIFE*.

During his college years at Stetson University, Sumner routinely went to the library to read *Time* magazine, his link to the news of the day, not surprising due to his fields of study: sociology and economics.

In 1969, his first published magazine article appeared in the alumni magazine for Stetson. In 1976, the magazine ran another Sumner-penned article describing why he valued his Stetson education. Falling into the writing world, his first magazine job was in 1980, working for a small company publishing magazines for the Kentucky Firefighters Association and the Fraternal Order of Police.

Now, page ahead to 2010. Sumner is 64 and teaching journalism at Ball State University. On one floor of his office are three boxes of various magazines; one box is packed with premiere publications — first editions of *People*, *George* and dozens of others.

In his office, he talked about his third book written specifically about magazines.

In Sumner's most recently published book, *"The Magazine Century: American Magazines Since 1900,"* he scrutinizes how magazines grew dramatically in 20th century America. Each chapter is titled with a new decade that examines different publishers and how they were innovative with ideas for new magazines.

"Three things made me realize there was a need for this book," said Sumner.

"There were no books about American magazine history published since 1991. And two, there had been no books published at all specifically about 20th century magazines. The third thing was I recognized that there had been a tremendous expansion and growth in magazines over these hundred years and I wanted to tell that story" he said passionately.

"Because most people think that magazines are going out of business and they are not, by any means."

Sumner lives in Anderson (Ind.), his home of 14 years, with Elise, his wife of 27 years. He has been teaching courses in magazine journalism at Ball State University for 21 years. With a PhD from the University of Tennessee in mass communication, he is known to his students as 'Doc.' Sumner's freelance work has ranged from *The Wall Street Journal* and *Encyclopaedia Britannica Yearbook* to *American History Illustrated* and Anderson's *The Herald Bulletin*.

And in the midst of writing articles non-stop and teaching classes, he took a sabbatical in the fall of 2009 to write his book, which was published last June by Peter Lang Publishing, an international company with offices in several countries.

When in the classroom, Sumner begins teaching the details of his book at a rapid, excited pace to his magazine management class. Yet as simple as it may look to teach his students his findings, writing the book took dedication, research and passion.

His research began in New York in the archives at Conde Nast, the worldwide publisher of such magazines as *Vogue* and *GQ*. There, he pored over correspondence, papers and records from Nast himself.

"The most fascinating part of my research was visiting the archives at Conde Nast Publishing in New York City in 2009 and reading dozens of original letters and memos typed by Mr. Conde Nast. I read friendly letters exchanged between him and Mr. Henry Luce, who founded *Time*, *Life*, *Fortune* and *Sports Illustrated* magazines. Nast offered to sell his company to Luce during the 1930s depression, but Luce declined the offer. I also read inter-office memos exchanged between Nast and Clare Booth in 1933-34, who was his managing editor of *Vanity Fair*. Clare Booth Luce left the magazine in 1935 to marry Henry Luce and later was elected to Congress from Connecticut during the 1940s and was appointed ambassador to Italy by President Eisenhower," Sumner said.

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Magazine Man

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Other stops included the archives of the Magazine Publishers of America, as well as Chicago's Auto Bureau of Circulation.

With this hopeful and encouraging note, Sumner sees a bright future for magazines.

"Well, I think magazines provide an experience. And magazines provide an emotional connection with their readers. And for that reason, I think magazines' future is fairly strong," he said. "It's going to be a little smaller because magazines are not untouched by the economy. So there's going to be a little bit of downsizing and adapting, but I think magazines have been amazingly resilient and adaptable to the changing economy and to changing reader interest and adapting and making the most of their online editions as well."

Publications are turning more to electronic versions.

"I think it's great. I think magazines are embracing the electronic world. It's not a question of either print or electronic: it is both print and electronic," said Sumner.

"I think it's the portability, and the affordability is part of it. You can carry a magazine anywhere; you can read it on the toilet or on the plane for only \$4.95 or \$3.95. But I'm still a little skeptical about how many people are going to be willing to pay \$500 - \$800 for an iPad or some electronic device and still pay additionally for the magazine to receive it electronically."

Two magazines he thought were doing exceptionally well were *The Economist*, which has more than doubled circulation in the last 10 years, and *Rolling Stone*, which has held onto its older readers who have grown up with the magazine, as well as attracting younger readers.

Sumner laughed when discussing the simplicity of some magazines that were thriving the most.

"In general food magazines are doing well," he said, referring to *Food Network Magazine*.

Taking a breath, Sumner stared ahead, thinking. He said, "I think people are looking for an escape. You know we live in such difficult times and people are reading magazines that give them an

escape like cooking and entertainment and travel, lifestyle, leisure magazines — those magazines are doing, generally, doing better than any other sector."

And as for Sumner, he subscribes to two magazines regularly: *Consumer Reports* and *The New Yorker*. When he is finished reading each one, they go to the recycling bin — though he doesn't recycle them all.

"I love to collect anniversary issues. Like 25th or 50th or 70th anniversary issues. Since I have a passion and also interest for magazine history, they really contain kind of a treasure trove of history. I have a pretty good collection of anniversary issues; like *Sports Illustrated*, *Time*, *People*, *Rolling Stone*.

"All four of those file cabinets," — he pointed to the cabinets with a total of 10 drawers — "are filled with magazines plus all you see in those boxes there, they are anniversary issues. I collect anniversary issues particularly."

Some of those issues landed on the cover of "*The Magazine Century: American Magazines Since 1900*."

He added, "I want the book to be the first place to stop for people interested in magazine history. I want it to be the first place they go to for information. [The] go-to reference book in magazine history."

Anyone interested in ordering *The Magazine Century*, or any of Sumner's three books about magazines, can visit his website: www.professormagazine.com

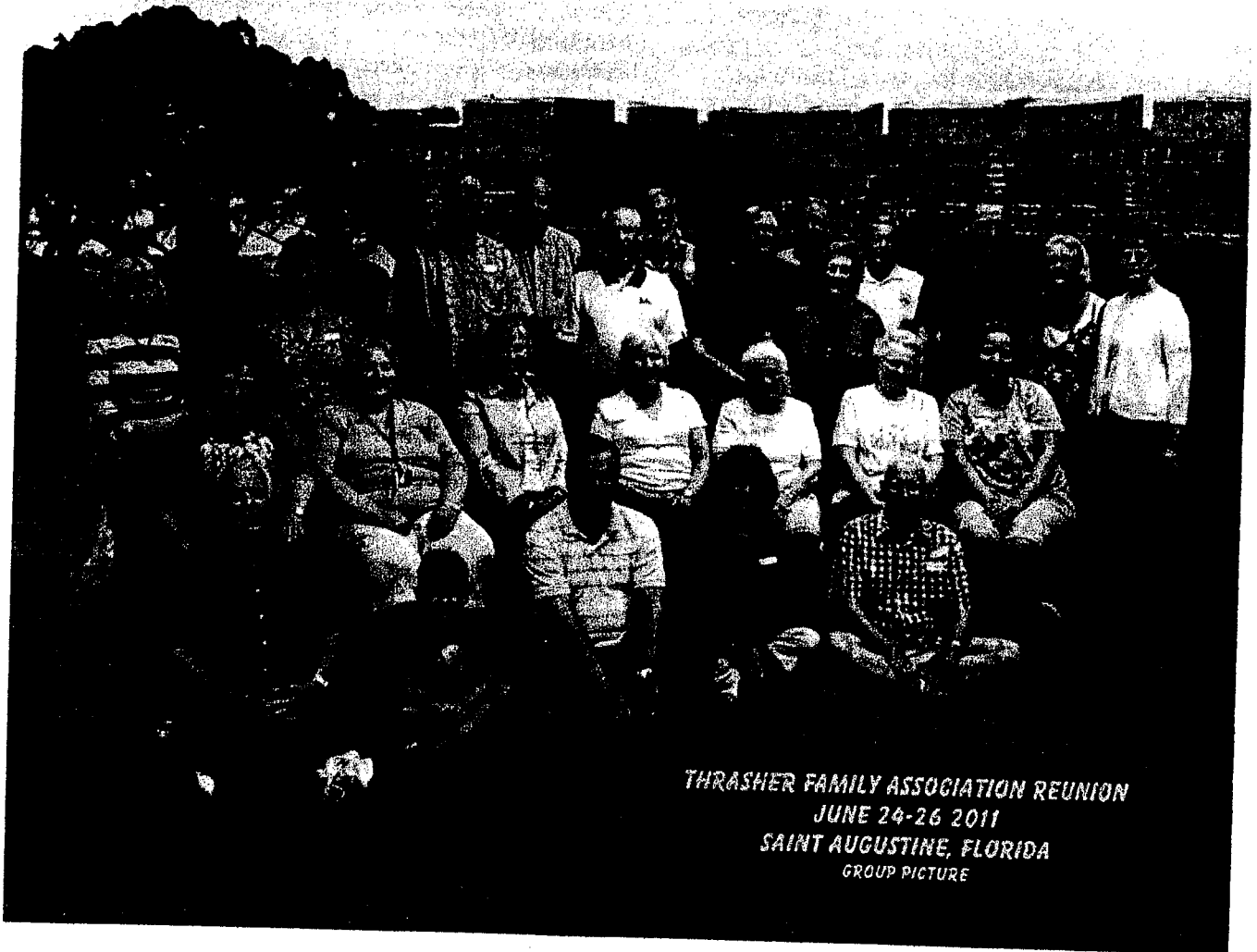
Story by Meira Bienstock; reprinted with permission from Madison Magazine, Anderson, Indiana.

We all have enjoyed David Sumner's profiles of Association members over the years. His willingness to do them in spite of an already full schedule of teaching, writing and other interests has been a great contribution to the newsletters. So is it really nice that we received permission to reprint this article about him — a profile of the profiler!

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THRASHER FAMILY ASSOCIATION REUNION
JUNE 24-26 2011
SAINT AUGUSTINE, FLORIDA
GROUP PICTURE

1st row l. to r.: Buddy Thrasher, Donovan Martin, Bill Miller, Janice Miller, John E. Thrasher III
2nd row l. to r.: Glenda Thrasher, Nancy Thrasher Cherry, Mary Thrasher, Sande Thrasher,
Eleanor Thrasher, Barbara Eger, Anna Sutherland
3rd row l. to r.: Joellen Laveigne, Sandra Harbison, Jim Thrasher, Tom Thrasher, Betty
Thrasher, Trudy Thrasher, Rick Davidson, Vera Davidson, Juanita Thrasher
4th row l. to r.: Mike Harbison, Andrew Harbison, Frances Leitner, Jim Moule, Ken Thrasher,
Ken Sutherland, Bill H. Thrasher, Dale Thrasher, Janna Losciale

Donovan Martin is Rick and Vera Davidson's grandson; Bill and Janice Miller are Frances Leitner's son and daughter-in-law; Janna Losciale is JoEllen Laveigne's daughter. Missing from picture: Gail Thrasher

Once again Bill H. Thrasher has done a spectacular job on the group picture. A huge "Thank You" is due to Bill from all of us! His ability to get us all together (with no wig-gling!) and his talent with photo editing to add in those who for some reason aren't in the shot adds so much to the post-reunion newsletter.

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St. Augustine Reunion a Big Success!

The 2011 Thrasher reunion lived up to the standards set by previous years! Reconnecting with old friends, getting acquainted with new ones, informative programs, and, of course, good food made for another great reunion. Mary and Jim Thrasher did a bang-up job of putting it all together, so a big thank-you to them both. The shopping wasn't too shabby, either. Think quite a few of the group contributed to the St Augustine economy, either in the quaint shops of the old town or in the two outlet malls that were a quick ride away from the motel.

A number of people arrived Thursday to start things off early - this seems to be a growing trend for the reunion. The "official" start was Friday dinner at the Raintree Restaurant, followed by an informal social hour in the motel's meeting room. Once again, we had the use of the room for the entire weekend and there were all kinds of family information on display.

Saturday afternoon's business meeting saw the unanimous reelection of Chair John E. Thrasher III, Recording Secretary Nancy Thrasher Cherry and Treasurer Robert P. (Buddy) Thrasher. The 2010 meeting minutes and the treasurer's report were approved. Four members made presentations for the program.

Bill H. Thrasher showed slides of cemeteries he had visited and proposed that the association start a project aimed at replacing damaged or missing grave markers.

Bill Miller, Frances Leitner's son, gave a talk on caring for our natural resources. Citing such threats to the environment as forest fires and the introduction of non-native species, he emphasized the need for conservation and the use of alternative energy sources. Bill is executive director of the non-profit Saltillo River Corp. in Georgia.

Jim Moule told about two men from the Maryland Thrashers who migrated to Mississippi. One of the men, Stephen Thrasher, was a colorful character who is mentioned in several books on Mississippi history. Both men apparently became wealthy but left no legitimate descendants.

Jim Thrasher gave out genealogy workshop booklets and talked about doing research on the web. Jim is Registrar/Genealogist for the Lake City (Fla.) chapter of the S.A.R. and finds stories of what ancestors did and how they lived as interesting as knowing simply names and dates. Check the meeting minutes for a genealogy web-search tutorial that Jim recommended.

After adjournment and a little time to relax and freshen up, everyone went to dinner at Barnacle Bill's.

Sunday morning brought "goodbye and see you next year" all around to wind up a great weekend.

Chattanooga Choo-Choo!

This just in - Buddy and Glenda Thrasher have volunteered to host the 2012 reunion in Chattanooga, Tenn. No details yet, but check the next couple of newsletters for details. If you were at the Vicksburg reunion you know what a great job they did there. Chattanooga has a lot to offer visitors so keep this in your to-do thoughts!

Editor's Note

As you can probably tell, I'm still struggling with InDesign, the new program that replaced my old faithful PageMaker. But things are going better and I hope will keep going upward! Meanwhile, send stuff to beger@earthlink.net or snail-mail to 13318 Omega Ct., Dade City, FL 33525.

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News and Notes

Cake Caution

Eleanor Thrasher sent the following note about a correction to her recipe for Coconut Pound Cake on page 66 of the Thrasher Cookbook:

"... the recipe should call for 1 cup of Crisco, NOT 2 cups.

"I hope all you marvelous bakers will try this recipe. It is so moist and downright good that you will have to keep a bag of coconut on your pantry shelf as a staple."

Eleanor added that she is really embarrassed about this error and hopes no one has tried it yet!

Celebrations!

Dale and Trudy Thrasher have several happy family events to report -- two granddaughters' graduations and a great-niece's wedding.

Geneva Thrasher, daughter of Clifford & Patricia Kirchberg Thrasher, graduated May 20, 2011, from the University of Maryland School of Social Work with a Master's Degree. Geneva will be employed with the Anne Arundel, Md Dept of Social Services and will reside on Kent Island, Md.

Rachel Thrasher, daughter of Arthur & Nancy Bell Thrasher, graduated on May 21, 2011 from McDaniel College in Maryland with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Graphic Design. Rachel is currently employed by Professional Sportscare and Rehab Physical therapy doing marketing. She will reside near Westminster, Md.

Jennifer Thrasher and Major Michael Reilly, United States Air Force, were married at St. Dominic Catholic Church in Panama City, Fla., on July 2, 2011. Jennifer is the daughter of Kennen and Ana Thrasher, of Panama City, Fla., and granddaughter of James F. and Juanita Thrasher.

In Memorium

Ruth Sumner Hoffman

Ruth Sumner Hoffman, 92, of Belleair Bluffs, Fla., formerly of Dade City, Fla., died May 11, 2011, after a brief illness. She was born in Waxhaw, N.C., July 28, 1918, the daughter of Lessie and Edward E. Auton. Her first husband, Joseph D. Sumner, a Dade City citrus grower, who died in 1959, preceded her in death. Her second husband, C. H. Hoffman, also of Dade City, died in 1999.

She was active at First Baptist Church of Dade City before moving to Belleair Bluffs in 1997, where she became a member of Christ Presbyterian Church in Largo. She is survived by three children, Joann Bandy and Frankie Goldsby of Belleair Bluffs and David E. Sumner (Elise) of Anderson, Ind. She has six grandchildren, Joey Wubbena (Lisa) of Dade City, Charles Wubbena of Ocala, Fla., Kaye Kirkpatrick of Ocala, Michelle Gibson of Fairbanks, Alaska, Joel Bandy of St. Petersburg, Fla., and Alan Bandy (Necoe) of Shawnee, Okla. She is also survived by ten great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren. Eight brothers and three sisters preceded her in death. Funeral services were held Wednesday, May 18, at First Presbyterian Church in Dade City, with interment at Dade City Cemetery.

Directory Changes

Michael and Elizabeth Thrasher -- use P.O. Box 841 rather than street address.

New email address for Fayra Ray -- <waynerfayraray@gmail.com>.

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MINUTES

The Thrasher Family Association Meeting of June 25, 2011 St. Augustine, Florida

Attending: Nancy Cherry of Beltsville, MD; Rick and Vera Davidson of Huntersville, NC, with grandson Donovan Martin; Barbara Eger of Dade City, FL; Mike and Sandy Harbison of Riverview, FL, with son Andrew Harbison; JoEllen LeVeigne of Gainesville, FL, with daughter Janna Losciale of New Smyrna Beach, FL; Frances Leitner of Jacksonville, FL; Bill and Jan Miller of White Oak, GA; Jim Moule of Berkley, CA; Ken and Anna Sutherland of Jacksonville, FL; Billy H. and Juanita Thrasher of Live Oak, FL; Buddy (Robert P.) and Glenda Thrasher of Columbus, MS; Dale and Trudy Thrasher of Leesburg, FL; Gail Thrasher of Montgomery, AL; Jim and Mary Thrasher of Lake City, FL; John E. and Eleanor Thrasher of Micanopy, FL; Ken and Betty Thrasher of Myrtle Beach, SC; Tom and Sande Thrasher of Villa Park, CA.

Pre-meeting Program: Attendees watched a DVD of author David McCullough's keynote address to the National Genealogical Society's conference last May in Salt Lake City. The talk in SLC was part of a special evening program, "A Celebration of Family History," sponsored by FamilySearch.

On the evening before, the group had enjoyed dinner at the beautiful Raintree Restaurant.

Call to Order: The annual business meeting of the Thrasher Family Association (TFA) was called to order by Chair John E. Thrasher, III, at 1:20 p.m. on Saturday, June 25, 2011, in the meeting room of the Holiday Inn Express on State Road 16 in St. Augustine, Florida. The room was lined with members' displays, photo albums, research notebooks, and interesting memorabilia of Thrasher families.

Program: The program consisted of four short presentations.

First, Bill H. Thrasher showed slides of Thrasher cemeteries he had visited. His presentation included a discussion of costs and other considerations for obtaining and setting grave stones where tombstones are damaged or missing. He concluded his talk by showing a real tombstone for Birttie Thrasher which he had purchased for \$125 and is going to set in place himself.

The second speaker was Bill Miller, son of Frances Leitner. Bill is Executive Director and River Keeper for the Saltillo River Corp in Georgia, a non-profit educational organization. He warned of the danger of losing natural resources if we don't take care of them. He cited forest fires and large invasive fish that consume native fish and are inedible themselves because of high mercury content. He stressed need for conservation education and more use of solar and wind technology.

Jim Moule was the third program speaker. Jim told stories of two men from the Maryland Thrasher line who went to Mississippi. One of them, the Honorable Stephen Thrasher, was apparently a colorful rascal. He's found in a number of books on the history of Mississippi. Both accumulated wealth but left no children except for one illegitimate daughter.

The fourth speaker, Jim Thrasher, distributed Genealogy Workshop booklets and urged everyone to go through the tutorial found at <http://www.learnwebskills.com/family/debbieduay.html>. Jim is Registrar/Genealogist for Lake City (Florida) Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution. He is interested in family stories and in knowing what his ancestors did, and why, as well as their names and dates. He works with Florida law enforcement and cited instances where knowledge of genealogy resources and techniques can solve problems that traditional police work cannot.

Minutes: Minutes of the 2010 meeting, submitted by John and Eleanor Thrasher, were approved as written. Minutes were published in the newsletter last August and John had copies at this meeting.

Treasurer's Report: Buddy reported a balance of \$2498.08 in the treasury as of the end of May 2011. The Association had decided in an earlier year to keep funds in the treasury rather than maintaining a balance with our DNA testing company; the TFA balance at the testing company is now zero. Actually, FTDNA shows a balance of \$30, but that is the Mid-Atlantic Thrasher Association's balance. Buddy provided copies of the annual financial report for each attendee, and one is attached to these minutes.

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Election: The next item of business was the election of officers. Barbara's motion to retain the current set of officers was seconded by a chorus, and John as Chair, Nancy Cherry as secretary, and Buddy Thrasher as treasurer were re-elected by acclaim. Barbara agreed to continue as newsletter editor.

Committee Reports:

Newsletter: John thanked Barbara for the newsletter. Barbara suffered a computer problem this year that caused her to need a new computer and also new software. She warned that the next few newsletters may not be in the usual format until she learns the new software.

Membership and the Biennial Directory: Membership forms for the coming year were distributed. The Directory will be distributed at the 2012 reunion. Barbara asked that members send contact corrections to her so that they can be printed in the newsletter and entered into the database for next year's directory. She also reminded members to make changes in their current directories when they see new contact information for members printed in the newsletter. A few copies of the 2010 directory were available for those who needed them.

DNA: Nancy reported that full haplotype data for each man in our Y-chromosome study is now online at FamilyTreeDNA's Thrasher/Thresher project page. We have 43 men participating in the Thrasher Y-chromosome DNA project. Five of them are haplogroup E1b's, representing the Maryland Thrashers, and the others are haplogroup R1b's, most from the southern families now being researched. Our testing company, FamilyTreeDNA, has announced a Y-111 test; however the entry level into our study will remain the Y-37 test until further notice. Participants may choose to upgrade to the 67-marker or the 111-marker test as they decide that further definition is needed. We now have two men from England participating in the Y-chromosome test: one has his results and does not match closely with anyone in our database; the other man, Mike Thrasher, has ordered his test-kit but has no results yet. Nancy recommended that men and women in the Thrasher family consider FTDNA's autosomal test, called the Family Finder test, to find relatives from any of their ancestral lines, back to 4th or 5th cousins. The FF test makes it necessary to research all ancestral lines, back to your great grandparent's great grandparents. A similar test is available from a company called 23andMe, and soon there will be software allowing those who have taken the test from 23andMe to compare their results with those who have taken the FF test.

John has been in contact with a chap in Florida who goes by the surname Austin. Mr. Austin tested as part of the Austin Y-chromosome project but did not match. Instead, he matches the Thrashers. John also has been in touch with a brother and sister who grew up with the name Sullivan but believe themselves to be children of Oney Thrasher, son of John Peter Thrasher of the Benjamin Thrasher line of Georgia. They will use the Y-chromosome test and the Family Finder test to confirm their belief.

Rick Davidson donated his dinner refund to the treasury to become part of a DNA testing "scholarship."

Old Business:

Tombstones: John opened the discussion by advising that the TFA should spend its money when a need is identified rather than accumulating a large treasury. Three cemeteries have been identified as needing clean-up and/or tombstone work.

Bill H. Thrasher referred to his report from last year on the situation in some of the Alabama cemeteries. He estimates that two or three stones, in addition to the one for Birttie which he has already purchased, are needed. He will set them himself. Dale moved that \$450 be set aside for Bill H's use to buy 3 stones. Jim seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. Ken C reminded Billy to take GPS readings for each cemetery and preferably for each grave. Billy is taking readings for each cemetery from Google Earth.

Peggy and Al Thrasher's pictures of destruction in the David Thrasher cemetery in Newton County, Georgia, were displayed. At their own expense, Al and the Rainer boys, Ray and Bobby, have commissioned a restorer to clean up and reconstruct the cemetery. They are waiting for the restorer's estimate. Barbara suggested that TFA wait until the estimate is received to decide on how much TFA contributes to the project. Her thought was turned into a motion by Tom, seconded by Dale, and passed unanimously.

Sande is interested in stone(s) for graves in Texas. She will look into what is required. She would like to see the grave of Theresa Thrasher marked. Theresa singlehandedly kept the Thrasher unit together after her

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husband Thomas died in the Civil War. She was from Georgia, lived in Alabama, and died in Texas. The location of Thomas' grave is unknown. It was suggested and agreed to that \$150 be set aside, pending Sande's investigation.

Cookbooks: Eleanor still has about a dozen of the TFA cookbooks for sale at \$10.00 each.

New Business:

Computer: Dale suggested that the TFA acquire a new computer with software for Barbara. Barbara thanked Dale for the thought but replied that she has already bought a new computer and software.

Genealogies: John believes that there is enough material relating to three family lines – those of Old George, Billy, and John, that the histories need to be distributed and also put into archives for use by researchers. John has 47 pages of the genealogy of the Benjamin of Georgia line and 22 pages for George Washington, son of "Old George." John has written his own family story, printed it out on his computer, and had it bound at a local bindery. He is putting a copy in the Gainesville library. He suggested that others take similar steps to make their research available. He said that the binding had not been expensive. Nancy suggested sending copies of the TFA Newsletters to the Allen County library in Fort Wayne, Indiana, because that library seemed genuinely pleased to get copies of the newsletter from the Mid-Atlantic Thrashers.

Next year's reunion. John asked for suggestions or volunteer hosts for next year's reunion. Jim's question about the most convenient site led to a reading of the locations of previous reunions. Jim thought that north of Atlanta would be logical; Ken suggested Lavonia, GA on Route 85 just south of South Carolina. Ken said he would look into possibilities. John warned that a decision and arrangements must be made within the next few months.

Family News: Ed Bolin, Bill Cherry, Richard Goldsby and Charlotte Thrasher have passed away since the last reunion. David Sumner is undergoing treatment for breast cancer. On a happier note, Jodie Thrasher was married on January 1 to a lady that he and Charlotte had known for 60 years. The new Mrs. Jodie Thrasher, whose name is Marian, fell getting off a boat in Germany and is now recovering from the injury. Eleanor has just finished a new cookbook for the Micanopy Historical Society. Sandy Harbison may not be moving back to Indiana for retirement. Buddy congratulated John E. and Eleanor on their 56th anniversary. Nancy Henry Thompson is a descendant of Rebecca Thrasher, daughter of David Thrasher; she was planning to attend this reunion, but at the last minute she couldn't make it. John's niece, Bonnie Summers Schmidt, has joined DAR on the John Thrasher line. Barton E. Thrasher Jr.'s daughter and son-in-law, Kimberly and Karl Walliser, are new members of the TFA.

Wrap-up:

Door prizes. Mary, Eleanor, Glenda and Barbara had collected a tableful of door prizes. Six-year-old Donovan Martin, grandson of Rick and Vera Davidson, assisted in the prize give-away by announcing the winning numbers in the drawing.

Kudos: John thanked Jim and Mary for planning and hosting a very successful reunion. He also thanked Billy and Mike for making the electronic equipment work and Billy for his photography. Buddy spoke for everyone when he thanked John for serving, and continuing to serve, as TFA Chair.

Group picture: Billy H. took the group picture in the conference room. He promised to photograph an appropriate background and to create a composite picture using the background and including photos of those not available at the time the group picture was taken.

Close of Meeting: The meeting was adjourned and, after a short break, everyone re-assembled in the hotel lobby for the drive to dinner at Barnacle Bill's Restaurant.

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Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Thrasher Cherry, TFA secretary

THRASHER FAMILY ASSOCIATION FINANCIAL REPORT

06/01/2010 THRU 05/31/2011

| Description | Deposits | Expense | Totals |
|---|----------|--------------|----------------|
| General Funds available Trustmark National Bank Columbus Mississippi 05/31/2010 | | | 2293.37 |
| Deposits June 1, 2010 thru May 31, 2011 | 1002.50 | | 1002.50 |
| Total 06/01/2010 thru 05/31/2011 | | | 3295.87 |
| Disbursements 06/01/2010 thru 05/31/2011 | | | |
| Monies set aside for DNA Scholarships fund yearly 2010 and 2011 Reunion expense | | 300.00 | |
| Newsletter expense | | 400.00 | |
| Cookbooks Eleanor Thrasher | | 375.29 | |
| Total expense 06/01/2010 thru 05/31/2011 | | 22.50 | |
| General Funds available Trustmark National Bank Columbus Mississippi 05/31/2011 | | | 1097.79 |
| Scholarships funds available 05/31/2011 | | | 2198.08 |
| Total funds available as of 05/31/2011 | | | 300.00 |
| | | | 2498.08 |

Robert Thrasher

Robert Thrasher Treasury

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1800 August 15

Franklin County, Georgia

August 15, 1800 – GEORGE THRASHER and wife CASIA vs. Francis Barden, at house of John Thrasher.

Georgia - Franklin County - To the honors of the Inferior Court for said county

Geo Thrasher et al)

vs

SLANDOR

Frances Barden)

The petition George Thrasher and Cassia his wife humbly sheweth that they have always from their nativity up supported honest and fair characters and as such have always been held reputed and taken by their neighbors and all others who knew them until one Frances Barden greatly & envying happy state and condition of your petitioner did on _ of August in year of our Lord eighteen hundred the fifteenth day at the house of John Thrasher in the county aforesaid In the presents and hearing of divers good citizens of this state falsely maliciously and slanderously utter say pronounce and loudly proclaim of and concerning your petitioners the following false feigned scandalous, malicious, wicked, sinful and apprehensions words of and concerning your petitioners: viz George Thrasher meaning thereby your petition stole money from Daniel Mecay or a sum of money from Daniel Mecay and that Cassia Thrasher meaning there by your petitioner had bore three different children by three different Brothers meaning thereby that your petitioners had been guilty of whoredom and of the detestable in theft. by which false maliciously and apportions words spoken by said Frances Beaden on the day and year aforesaid as well as at divers other times and places both before and after your petitioner say they have been greatly injured; and hath sustained damage five thousand dollars. Wherefore they pray process may issue requiring said Frances Barden to appear before their honors the Judges of the Inferior Court at a court to be holden for the county of Franklin on the first Monday in February next then and there to answer your petitioner in an action of slander.

A. Martin Plaintiffs attorney

Georgia - Franklin County - To the Sheriff of Franklin County Greeting

Geo Thrasher)

vs

SLANDER

Frances Barden)

the defendant is hereby required personally or by attorney to appear at next Inferior Court to be holden for the county of Franklin on the first Monday in February next to answer the plaintiff in an action of slander to his damage five thousand dollars or in default thereof said court well proceed as to Justice shall appertain. Witness the honorable Larkin Cleveland one of the Judges of said Court this 7th October 1800.

D. Cleveland C.I.C.

Georgia – Franklin County)

George Thrasher being duly sworn saith that he has been injured and hath sustained damage from Frances Bearden one thousand dollars and further that he has just cause to apprehend the loss of what he may recover or some part thereof unless said Francis Bearden is held to Bail.

Sworn to before me the 4th October 1800

Dudley Jones I.P.

George his g mark Thrasher

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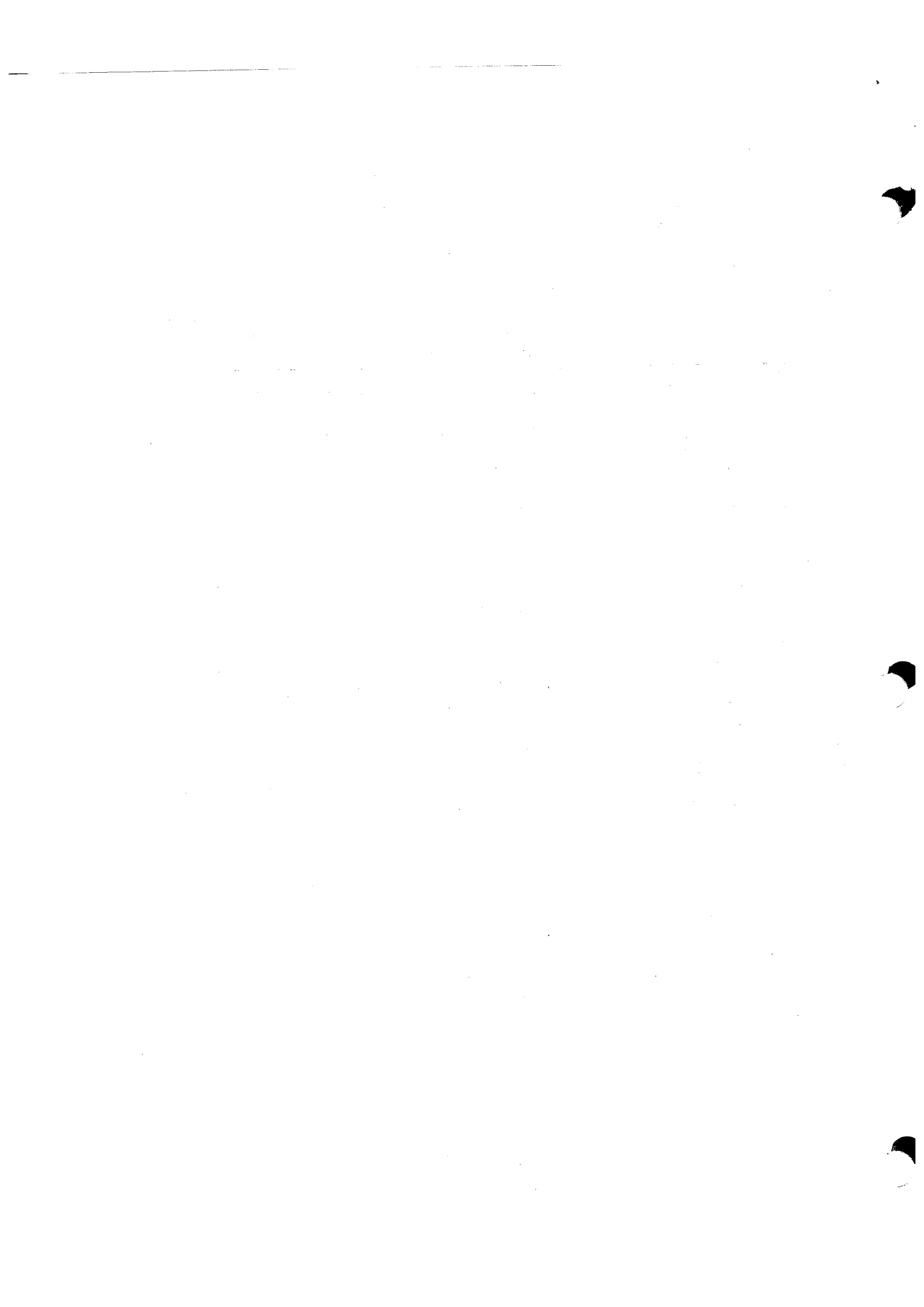
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Thrasher Family Association

Annual Reunions 1974 - 2010

| Date | City | Place | Hosts |
|------------|-------------------------|--|--|
| Sept. 1974 | Macon, Ga. | Cag's Restaurant | Dot and Joe Pruett* |
| June 1975 | Macon, Ga. | Pruett Home | Dot and Joe Pruett |
| June 1976 | Macon, Ga. | Pruett Home | Dot and Joe Pruett |
| June 1977 | Athens, Ga. | Thrasher Home | Warren and Caroline Thrasher |
| June 1978 | Pine Mountain, Ga. | Calloway Gardens | Dot and Joe Pruett |
| June 1979 | Milledgeville, Ga. | Pruett's Lake House | Dot and Joe Pruett |
| June 1980 | Micanopy, Fla. | Masonic Lodge | John and Eleanor Thrasher |
| June 1981 | Quitman, Ga. | Country Club | James Cloud Thrasher descendants |
| June 1982 | Forsyth, Ga. | Holiday Inn | Dot and Joe Pruett |
| June 1983 | Quitman/Dixie, Ga. | Westbrook School | James Cloud Thrasher descendants |
| June 1984 | St. Simon's Island, Ga. | Epworth by the Sea | Tom Dodd/Rainers/Pruetts |
| June 1985 | Sweetwater, Tenn. | KOA Campground | Hugh and Helen Thrasher |
| June 1986 | Macon, Ga. | Quail's Nest | Dot and Joe Pruett |
| June 1987 | Macon, Ga. | Quail's Nest | Dot Pruett |
| June 1988 | Macon, Ga. | Quail's Nest | Dot Pruett |
| June 1989 | Jekyll Island, Ga. | Jekyll Island Inn | John and Eleanor Thrasher |
| June 1990 | Norcross, Ga. | Thrasher Park | Frank Combes |
| June 1991 | Athens, Ga. | Holiday Inn | Warren and Caroline Thrasher |
| June 1992 | Columbus, Ga. | Woodman Lodge | L.Z. and Margie Thrasher |
| June 1993 | McDonough, Ga. | Holiday Inn | Robert & Jane Rainer and "boys" |
| June 1994 | Athens, Ga. | Holiday Inn | Warren and Caroline Thrasher |
| June 1995 | Ashburn, Ga. | Thrasher home | Lyn and Evelyn Thrasher |
| June 1996 | Moultrie, Ga. | Colquitt Hotel | Gerald Bishop |
| June 1997 | Montgomery, Ala. | Hudson Cattle Ranch | Jerry Hudson |
| June 1998 | Montgomery, Ala. | Hudson Cattle Ranch | Jerry Hudson |
| May 1999 | Micanopy, Fla. | Thrasher Warehouse | John and Eleanor Thrasher |
| May 2000 | Thomasville, Ga. | Quality Inn | Barbara Eger |
| May 2001 | Newnan, Ga. | Hampton Inn | John Paul and Paula Thrasher |
| May 2002 | Flovilla, Ga. | Plantation Lodge | Al and Peggy Thrasher |
| May 2003 | Micanopy, Fla. | Thrasher Home | John and Eleanor Thrasher |
| Mar. 2004 | Dade City, Fla. | D.C. Garden Club | Frankie Goldsby, Joann Bandy, David Sumner |
| June 2005 | St. Augustine, Fla. | Best Western Hist. Inn | Barbara Eger, John & Eleanor Thrasher |
| June 2006 | Tiger, Ga. | A. & P. Thrasher home | Albert & Peggy Thrasher |
| June 2007 | Jefferson, Md. | Jefferson Community Center and Thrasher Farm | Nancy & Bill Cherry, Steve & Joleen Thrasher |
| June 2008 | Kingsland, Ga. | Country Inn & Suites | Frances Leitner |
| June 2009 | Vicksburg, Miss. | Holiday Inn Express | Buddy & Glenda Thrasher |
| June 2010 | Savannah, Ga. | Savannah Garden Hotel | John & Eleanor Thrasher |
| June 2011 | St. Augustine, Fla. | Holiday Inn Express | Mary & Jim Thrasher |

*In addition to the Pruett's, this organizational meeting was attended by Robert Rainer and his mother, Vessie Thrasher Rainer; Tom and Dorothy Thrasher, Elizabeth and Asbury Baldwin; and Warren and Caroline Thrasher.



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**Descendants of George Thrasher
(1755 N. C. - Gwinnett County, Georgia 1849)**

**George Washington Thrasher
(c 1790 - 1877)**

As you know from the discussions at the TFA reunions and as recorded in the Minutes of the business meetings held at the reunions, a decision was made that the TFA would try to publish more of the research done by its members so that the information could be spread by means of the Thrasher Newsletter.

There are at the present time complete collections of Thrasher Newsletter issues from 1983 to the present in the Georgia Department of History and Archives in Morrow, Georgia and the C. Artz Public Library in Frederick, Maryland. At the reunion last June the TFA voted to place another complete set in the Genealogy Center of the Allen County Public Library in Fort Wayne, Indiana. That will be done this year as I have just finished indexing the newsletters for the past five years. At this time no one seems ready to compile the genealogy/research material into book form.

With this in mind, I decided to go ahead with this material on George Washington Thrasher, a descendant of "Old" George Thrasher, as we familiarly call him.

The Thrasher Newsletter (Volume 28, #1, for December 2009) devoted eight pages to information concerning "Old" George. This was done so that his other children's records could be published without repeating those first eight pages. Thus, the following genealogy is referenced to the oldest proven (by DNA) member of that Thrasher family line.

The genealogy of George's son, George Washington Thrasher, is certainly not my work alone. Special credit goes to George Benton Thrasher (1918 - 2004), father of George C. Thrasher whom most of us know. George B. Thrasher compiled and published a series of papers that he called "The Thrasher Chronicles" from about December 1998 to 2003. I was one of the lucky ones to subscribe!

Information in the genealogy was also received from George C. Thrasher, James "Jim" F. Thrasher, Jodie T. Thrasher, Thais Rust Sykes and J. Walter Hoskins, which added greatly to my own research.

Great care has been made to document and affirm that this information is as accurate as possible. I'm sure other researchers will find some errors and that information they have is not included. Please share it with me!

John E. Thrasher III

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Descendants of George Washington Thrasher

Generation No. 1

1. GEORGE WASHINGTON¹ THRASHER was born Abt. 1790 in Wilkes County, Georgia, and died December 03, 1877 in Morgan County, Alabama. He married ELIZABETH (NEALY ALENDER) WHITE August 26, 1817 in Franklin County, Georgia. She was born Abt. 1800 in Ireland, and died Abt. 1873 in Prob. Morgan Co. Alabama.

Notes for GEORGE WASHINGTON THRASHER:

George Washington Thrasher is found in the 1830 Census for Franklin County, Georgia; the 1840 Census for Forsyth County, Georgia; the 1850 Census for Forsyth County, Georgia; the 1860 Census for Morgan County, Alabama; and the 1870 Census for Morgan County, Alabama.

See: First Book of Marriages, Franklin Co. GA, from 1805 - 1825, Transcribed by order of the Inferior Court of 1857. Page 194: "Aug. 26 (1817) George Thrasher and Alender White".

Since George's son, Samuel Jackson Thrasher (born 1823), was no longer living with his parents in 1850, but had established his own family, proof of this father-son relationship can not be shown through the Census records and other ways of proving this relationship had to be found. Thus:

A copy of the Southern Commission Claims Record for George Thrasher (1790) who served in the War of 1812, was printed in the "Thrasher Newsletters", Vol. 10, #2, November 1991 (Index Vol. I, pages 196-205). It is entitled, "Testimony as to Loyalty Deposition of George Thrasher ".

This claim was filed for illegal seizure of a mule and a mare by the Union Army.

George's first two answers to questions were: "My name is George Thrasher - am 86 years old - live 11 miles SW of Decatur, Alabama, Morgan County. Have lived here 17 years or more - am a farmer." and "I am the claimant."

Following George's deposition are three depositions and one sworn statement made by family members which are of great importance in establishing the fact that Samuel Jackson Thrasher was the son of George.

1. Deposition by Elizabeth Kelley: "My name is Elizabeth Kelley - am 57 years old - live here with my daddy - have never left him in my life and never will - - - -".

2. Deposition of John L. Thrasher (born 1850, son of Samuel Jackson Thrasher). "My name is John L. Thrasher - am going on 26 years old - live by Hartselles Station, Morgan County, Alabama - Lived there two years - lived right here at grand daddy's all the rest of my life - at least since we came to this county fifteen years ago - am a farmer."

3. Deposition of George W. Thrasher (born 25 March 1849 and son of Samuel Jackson Thrasher). "My name is George W. Thrasher - am 27 years old - live eleven miles SW of Decatur, Alabama - am a farmer - Have lived here since 1862. Am the grandson of the claimant, but have no interest in the case. Yes sir, I saw the mule and mare charged in this case taken - - -"

4. Sworn statement made by George W. Thrasher (1849) "- - - he was the one who ordered grandpa to dismount. The mare and mule were taken by U.S. troops by commissioner. Grandpa owned this stock - - -"

5. Additional by Mrs. Elizabeth Kelley: "In the spring of the last or year before the last year of the war, Daddy and the two boys John and George rode off on the mare and mule one day and came back home in the evening afoot. That's all I know about it. This stock was daddy's. I had no right to them. He was mighty hurt about it"

In this same Claim's Record, answer #9, George was asked if he had any near relatives in the Union Army or Navy. His answer did not say "Union". "Yes, Bill Thrasher and Marion Thrasher my brother's children. (His brother William's son, William Walton Thrasher and his brother James's son, James Marion Thrasher).

Another proof of relationships is found in the 1880 Census for Morgan County, Alabama Census report for George W. Thrasher 's (1849) family. Elizabeth Kelley is living with them and her relationship to George is listed as "Aunt".

Both George W. Thrasher (1849) and William Pierce Thrasher managed the affairs of their grandfather upon his death.

George was granted Bounty Land for his service in the War of 1812 - 80 acres in the Lebanon Land District,

Randolph County, Alabama. Pension Records show George was a resident of Morgan County, Alabama, Post Office: Bashams Gap.

George enlisted November 21, 1814 and was discharged 6 May 1815. When his Declaration for Pension was made, on October 6, 1871, he was 81 years of age and blind. He was a Private in the 4th Regiment of Jones Georgia Militia.

He received two grants, 80 acres in 1852 and 80 acres in 1854.

He stated that he married Elizabeth White in Franklin County, Georgia on 17 August, 1817.

The Department of the Interior paid his pension of \$8.00 per month from February 14, 1871 until December 1877. The allowance to defray expenses of his last illness and burial was \$28.00. This is dated February 1878 and witnessed by William P. Thrasher and George William Thrasher. Samuel Jackson Thrasher sent his son William Pierce Thrasher to help and live for a while with his old blind grandfather.

DNA results from five of George's father's (George Thrasher 1755 N. C. - 1849 Gwinnett County, Georgia) sons (James, William, Thomas, Jesse and George Washington) match each other showing a common ancestor.

Notes for ELIZABETH (NEALY ALENDER) WHITE:

The Thrasher Chronicles, Issue #2, by George B. Thrasher stated that the Elizabeth White information came from Georgia Bible Records - Steven White Bible, pages 217, 331, and 307.

Children of GEORGE THRASHER and ELIZABETH WHITE are:

2. i. JAMES MARION² THRASHER, b. June 05, 1818, Prob. Franklin Co. GA; d. March 23, 1900, Antioch, Alabama.
- ii. ELIZABETH THRASHER, b. Abt. 1819; d. June 13, 1900; m. KELLEY.

Notes for ELIZABETH THRASHER:

The death date is from a letter written by her nephew, George Washington Thrasher (1849) on the 18 June, 1900. She was living with George at the time. The letter was written to his brother Josiah and thanks to Thais Sykes, it was reprinted in the Thrasher Chronicles, Issue #4.: " - - - Aunt Bets is dead. She died the 13 of this month. She was sitting in her chair when death struck her last Tuesday morning, 20 minutes after eleven and she lived til half past five Wednesday. All of the children here but Hallie. She lives down clost to Tupolo and it rained so much she could not come. Aunt Bets has been with us 22 years in February and it seems like giving up our own mother. - - - We buried her at Shiloh Church near Kirksville where Bills baby is buried".

More About ELIZABETH THRASHER:

Burial: Shiloh Church Cemetery, Kirksville, Itawamba Co. MS

3. iii. SAMUEL JACKSON THRASHER, b. September 15, 1823, Georgia; d. 1894, Los Angeles County, California.
- iv. WILLIAM THRASHER, b. Abt. 1832, Georgia.
- v. GEORGE W. THRASHER, b. Abt. 1839.

Generation No. 2

2. JAMES MARION² THRASHER (*GEORGE WASHINGTON*¹) was born June 05, 1818 in Prob. Franklin Co. GA, and died March 23, 1900 in Antioch, Alabama. He married NANCY LOTT August 25, 1850 in Benton Co. Alabama. She was born Abt. 1833 in Georgia.

Notes for JAMES MARION THRASHER:

James is first found in the 1850 Census for Benton County, Alabama. He was living with his brother Samuel Jackson Thrasher.

James is buried in Antioch, Cleburne Co. Al which is is located on Alabama Rt. #49, Abernathy exit from Interstate Highway #20, between Anniston, AL and Atlanta, GA.

This family's genealogy is recorded in the book "Our Thrasher Heritage" (compiled by D. S. Pruett 1986, pages 541 - 549) as "Families of Unknown Relationship" to the family and descendants of John and Ruth Cloud Thrasher. This family information brings the data for James Marion Thrasher (1818) up to 1986.

This information was submitted for inclusion in OTH by Melba Sue Thrasher Oaks who died ca Christmas 2006.

Index to Pension Applications for the Indian Wars Service between 1817 & 1898, page 2: Thrasher: James M., widow Nancy, Survivor's Application 1345 & Survivor's Certificate 1696 filed 2 September 1892 in Alabama. Widow's Application 7867 & Widow's Certificate 5607 filed 9 April 1900 in Alabama, he served in

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Capt. Buffington's Company Mtd Vols in the Cherokee War."

Index to Old Wars Pension Files, 1815 - 1926, page 712: Thrasher: James M., Invalid's Application 23612R filed 7 August 1884 in Georgia, Indian War Survivor -#1345 & WO - 7867, served in (Capt.) Buffington's GA Vols in the Florida War as Private."

More About JAMES MARION THRASHER:

Burial: Antioch United Methodist Church Cemetery, Cleburne Co. AL

Children of JAMES THRASHER and NANCY LOTT are:

- i. ASBURN³ THRASHER, b. 1852, Alabama.
- ii. FRANCES PARALEE THRASHER, b. 1865, Alabama.
- iii. JAMES MARION JR. THRASHER, b. February 09, 1867, Alabama; d. May 04, 1911; m. MARY ANN MCCORD.
- iv. MILES FRANCIS THRASHER, b. April 18, 1869, Alabama; m. LUDY.
- v. FRANCES EVILIE THRASHER, b. 1874, Alabama.

3. SAMUEL JACKSON² THRASHER (*GEORGE WASHINGTON*¹) was born September 15, 1823 in Georgia, and died 1894 in Los Angeles County, California. He married REBECCA RUTH LONG June 18, 1848. She was born October 25, 1826 in GA, and died Abt. 1873.

Notes for SAMUEL JACKSON THRASHER:

Samuel Jackson Thrasher is found in the US Census for 1850 in Benton County, Alabama under "J. Thrasher" ; In the 1860 Census for Talladega County, Alabama, he is listed as "Samuel J. Thrasher"; The 1870 Census for Lawrence County, Alabama lists him as " Saml Thrasher"; and he is listed as "Samuel J" in the 1880 Census for Union County, Mississippi.

Samuel Jackson is listed in the Census as a blacksmith and farmer.

The birth date is taken from a family Bible.

In 1880 Samuel was a widower. He was married for a second time in Union County, Mississippi, to L. A. McDonald on Friday, 6 September 1881. This information was found in the Union Co. MS Marriage Records.

Samuel's mother had red hair and he did also. He was called "Red Grandpa" and "Grandpa Jack" by some of the grandchildren.

When he moved to California, the second wife remained behind.

The family story said that when he got word of the success of his son James Monroe and Alice in CA, he decided that he should go there. He took his son Joseph/Josiah with him. The trip across the Mojave desert in a hot rail car with no air conditioning was too much and he caught pneumonia and died five days later.

More About SAMUEL JACKSON THRASHER:

Burial: Pioneer Memorial Cemetery, Sylmar, Los Angeles Co. CA

Notes for REBECCA RUTH LONG:

Birth date taken from the family Bible.

According to family stories recorded in the "Thrasher Chronicles," Sena Lou remembered her mother, Rebecca, and was about eight years old when she died. Sena Lou, the only female in the family, took over the care of the home.

Children of SAMUEL THRASHER and REBECCA LONG are:

4. i. GEORGE WASHINGTON³ THRASHER, b. March 25, 1849, Georgia; d. April 24, 1913, Itawamba County, Mississippi.
5. ii. JOHN LEWIS THRASHER, b. June 25, 1850, Alabama.
- iii. SARAH A. E. THRASHER, b. March 01, 1852.

Notes for SARAH A. E. THRASHER:

Birth date taken from the family Bible. Died young.

6. iv. WILLIAM PIERCE THRASHER, b. January 24, 1854, Talladega Co. Alabama.
7. v. BENTON CYL VESTER THRASHER, b. March 02, 1855, Alabama; d. December 23, 1923, Tulare County, California.
- vi. JACOB C. THRASHER, b. March 02, 1855.

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Notes for JACOB C. THRASHER:

Birth record taken from the family Bible. He was a twin with Benton Cyl Vester Thrasher. Died young.

8. vii. THOMAS BECKUM THRASHER, b. March 16, 1857, Talladega Co. Alabama; d. January 14, 1945, Aransas Co. Texas.
- viii. ROBERT M. THRASHER, b. November 14, 1860.

Notes for ROBERT M. THRASHER:

Birth date is taken from the family Bible. He seems to have died young.

9. ix. JAMES MONROE THRASHER, b. April 20, 1862, Alabama.
10. x. SENA LOU THRASHER, b. February 14, 1865, Alabama; d. April 03, 1946, Los Angeles County, California.
11. xi. JOSEPH/JOSIAH JACKSON THRASHER, b. February 27, 1867, Morgan County, Alabama; d. April 13, 1943, Van Nuys, Los Angeles County, California.

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4. GEORGE WASHINGTON³ THRASHER (*SAMUEL JACKSON², GEORGE WASHINGTON¹*) was born March 25, 1849 in Georgia, and died April 24, 1913 in Itawamba County, Mississippi. He married SARAH RUTH ASKEW, daughter of PHILLIP ASKEW. She was born August 09, 1849 in Alabama, and died December 29, 1909 in Itawamba Co. MS.

Notes for GEORGE WASHINGTON THRASHER:

George is found in the 1850 Census for Benton, County, Alabama as "G. W. Thrasher"; Found in the 1860 Census for Talladega County, Alabama listed as "Geo. W. Thrasher"; Found in the 1870 Census for Morgan County, Alabama listed as "Geo Thrasher; Found in the 1880 Census for Morgan County, Alabama listed as "George W. Thrasher"; Found in the 1900 Census for Itawamba County, Mississippi where is listed as "George Thrasher"; Found in the 1910 Census for Itawanba County, Mississippi listed as "George Thrasher".

George was a farmer.

In the 1880 Census for Morgan County, Alabama in the George W. Thrasher household are also listed Phillip Askew, father in law, James D. Askew and Elizabeth Kelley, aunt.

Many bits of information about the children of George W. Thrasher (1849) are found in the "Thrasher Chronicles" by George Benton Thrasher.

More About GEORGE WASHINGTON THRASHER:

Burial: Stephens Cemetery, Mantachie, Itawamba Co. MS

More About SARAH RUTH ASKEW:

Burial: Stephens Cemetery, Mantachie, Itawamba County, MS

Children of GEORGE THRASHER and SARAH ASKEW are:

12. i. WILLIAM "WILLIE" J.⁴ THRASHER, b. Abt. 1871, Alabama.
13. ii. JAMES JASPER THRASHER, b. March 11, 1872, Decatur, Morgan County, Alabama; d. August 01, 1957, Booneville, Prentiss County, Mississippi.
- iii. REBECCA E. THRASHER, b. Abt. 1874, Alabama.
- iv. MAHALA "HALLIE" THRASHER, b. Abt. 1877, Alabama; m. GEORGE CULVER.
- v. PEMELIA THRASHER, b. January 02, 1877, Alabama; d. 1944; m. JAMES WILSON BARNES; b. September 13, 1872; d. 1954.
14. vi. TINNIE CILVESTER THRASHER, b. March 20, 1879, Itawamba County, Mississippi.
15. vii. FANNY THRASHER, b. Abt. 1881, Alabama.
16. viii. PHILIP WASHINGTON THRASHER, b. November 09, 1883, Alabama/MS.
17. ix. JOHN LEMUEL THRASHER, b. June 27, 1886, Alabama/Mississippi; d. September 27, 1960.
18. x. TIMOTHY C. THRASHER, b. October 24, 1889, Fulton, Mississippi.
19. xi. HENRY HOWARD THRASHER, b. May 04, 1891, MS; d. May 03, 1969.

5. JOHN LEWIS³ THRASHER (*SAMUEL JACKSON², GEORGE WASHINGTON¹*) was born June 25, 1850 in Alabama. He married (1) MARY E. MILLER Abt. 1875. She was born Abt. 1858 in Alabama. He married (2) LIZZIE Abt. 1880. She was born 1849 in Alabama.

Notes for JOHN LEWIS THRASHER:

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Birth date taken from the family Bible.

Soon after 1867, John moved to Mississippi and farmed. The area became known as "Thrashers" and exists on the maps of Mississippi today. He was post master for a time. His wife may have taught school.

John L. was listed in the 1880 Census for Union County, MS as "John L Thrasher". In the 1900 Census John is found in Claiborne Parrish, Louisiana listed as "J. L. Thrasher". In the 1910 census is was found in Claiborne Parrish, Louisiana listed as "John L. Thrasher".

Child of JOHN THRASHER and MARY MILLER is:

20. i. JAMES EDD⁴ THRASHER, b. October 1876, Mississippi.

Children of JOHN THRASHER and LIZZIE are:

- ii. JOHN HUGH⁴ THRASHER, b. Abt. June 1883, MS.
- iii. BENNIE FRANK THRASHER, b. Abt. February 1885, MS.
- iv. SENIE SYLVIE THRASHER, b. Abt. October 1888, MS.
- v. MONOVIE NABIE THRASHER, b. Abt. 1890, MS.
- vi. RUBEN DESMOND THRASHER, b. Abt. August 1891, LA.

6. WILLIAM PIERCE³ THRASHER (*SAMUEL JACKSON², GEORGE WASHINGTON¹*) was born January 24, 1854 in Talladega Co. Alabama. He married ROXANNE LINDSEY October 24, 1882 in Itawamba Co. MS. She was born October 1859 in Alabama, and died Bet. 1900 - 1910.

Notes for WILLIAM PIERCE THRASHER:

Birth date taken from the family Bible.

Pierce is found in the 1860 Census with his parents in Talladega Co. Alabama; In the 1870 Census he is listed as Wm. Thrasher and is living with his grandfather George Thrasher (1790) age 80, and Elizabeth 53 in Morgan Co. Ala. He is a few houses away from his brother George (1849); In the 1900 Census he is listed as Wm. Pierce in Colbert Co. Alabama; In the 1910 Census for Los Angeles County, CA, he is listed as William P. Theacha. In the 1930 Census he is listed as Pierce and living with his daughter Emma Kemplin and her family in Los Angeles Co. CA.

In the 1910 Census for Los Angeles Co. CA, a grandson, William Pate , is living with William Pierce.

In the early years, Pierce was a farmer. William Pierce is listed as a "broker - real estate" at age 76!

Pierce is seen in a family photo of a group of Thrashers taken on the Santa Monica Pier in 1904.

Children of WILLIAM THRASHER and ROXANNE LINDSEY are:

- 21. i. EMMA L.⁴ THRASHER, b. May 1885, Alabama.
- 22. ii. JAMES JEFFERSON THRASHER, b. November 1887, Alabama; d. December 03, 1980, Los Angeles County, California.
- iii. BRICE HARRISON THRASHER, b. April 08, 1889, Alabama; d. June 26, 1955, San Diego, CA.

Notes for BRICE HARRISON THRASHER:

Brice is first found in the 1910 Census for Lankershim, Los Angeles County, California, with his father listed as "Brice Theacha". In the 1920 Census for Lankershim, Los Angeles County, CA he is listed as "Harman B. Thresher". In the 1930 Census for Los Angeles, Los Angeles County, CA he is listed as "Brice A. Thrasher". His occupation was listed as "pruner - orchard" in 1920 and "truck driver - Delivery Company" in 1930. In 1920 and 1930 Brice was single.

California Death Index, 1940 - 1997.

U.S. Veterans Gravesites, ca 1775 - 2006. Listed as "Brice Thrasher". Began service 22 July 1918. Interment date 30 June 1955. Cemetery: Ft. Rosencrans National Cemetery, San Diego, CA. (Section P, site 1433)

More About BRICE HARRISON THRASHER:

Burial: June 30, 1955, Ft. Rosencrans National Cemetery, San Diego, CA

- 23. iv. CHARLES ODIE THRASHER, b. November 1891, Alabama.
- v. MARY LOUISE THRASHER, b. October 1894, Alabama.

7. BENTON CYL VESTER³ THRASHER (*SAMUEL JACKSON², GEORGE WASHINGTON¹*) was born March 02, 1855 in Alabama, and died December 23, 1923 in Tulare County, California. He married ELMIRA HOSKINS December 13, 1876 in Baldwin, Lee County, Mississippi. She was born February 12, 1845 in Alabama, and died October 07, 1921 in Tulare, California.

Notes for BENTON CYL VESTER THRASHER:

Birth record is taken from the family Bible. He was a twin with Jacob C. Thrasher who died while young. Benton C. Thrasher is first found in the 1860 Census for Talladega Co. AL with his parents. In 1870 he is with his parents in Lawrence Co. AL. In the 1880 Census, Benton and his own family are located in Union County, MS. The family is found in Wilbarger Co. Texas in the 1900 Census. Benton and family are found in Los Angeles Co. CA in the 1910 Census and in 1920 they were located in Tulare, Co. CA.

From the Thrasher Chronicles, Issue #10 (a copy of the document): "The State of Alabama, Morgan County. The Baptist Church of Christ at Pleasant Hill": "This is to certify that our beloved Brother, Benton Thrasher, By order of the Church, was granted permission to Preach the Gospel". (Signed) J. Gunn, Moderator; (signed) J. S. Hale, C. C." "Decatur, Alabama. August 1, 1876".

Benton worked as a teamster and later as a button maker.

Many records for this family are from the "Thrasher Chronicles" by George B. Thrasher. Issues #1 - 11 published 1998 - 2003.

From the Thrasher Newsletters, May 1993: Notes by George Benton Thrasher ("They moved around a lot," he said.)

"The first place they really settled was in Vernon, (Walbarger Co. Texas) where they remained for perhaps 15 years before heading for California. While there Benton worked as a surveyor's helper in laying out a prortion of Indian Territor (now Oklahoma) for settlers. Why he didn't get a parcel for himself, I don't know."

"Oliver Barnes wrote -- mentions that Uncle Bent met them at the railroad station (Vernon) and took them to his (Benton's) dugout where he and his family made their home."

More About BENTON CYL VESTER THRASHER:

Burial: Tulare Cemetery, Tulare, Tulare County, CA

Notes for ELMIRA HOSKINS:

The 1900 Census reports that Elvira was the mother of 12 children, 6 living in 1900. She and Benton had been married for 23 years at that time. Her first four children were with her first husband, Lazarus Hamm.

The children of Lazarus Hamm and Elmire Hamm Thrasher are half brothers and sisters to the children Elmira had with Benton.

The Children were: 1. Elizabeth Hamm, born 17 January 1868, died 25 January 1928; 2. Luther Wilba Hamm, born 30 January, 1870, died 7 August 1872; 3. Frances A. Hamm, born 4 January 1872, died 19 July 1954; and John L. Hamm, born 1 September 1874, died 26 June 1942.

More About ELMIRA HOSKINS:

Burial: Tulare Cemetery, Tulare, Tulare Co. CA

Children of BENTON THRASHER and ELMIRA HOSKINS are:

- i. MARY JANE⁴ THRASHER, b. July 21, 1877; d. September 08, 1877.
- ii. VIRGINIA "JINNIE" REBECCA THRASHER, b. October 05, 1878, Baldwyn, Prentiss Co. MS.; d. December 10, 1921, Vernon, Wilbarger Co. Oklahoma; m. CHARLES A. RATLIFF, December 12, 1899, Vernon, Wilbarger Co. Texas.
- iii. UNNAMED DAUGHTER THRASHER, b. December 11, 1880.
- iv. CHARLIE BRICE THRASHER, b. November 25, 1881; d. December 05, 1885, Texarkana, Texas.
- v. LILLIE MAUD THRASHER, b. March 28, 1884; d. July 18, 1885.
- vi. UN NAMED SON THRASHER, b. September 09, 1886; d. September 09, 1886.
24. vii. GEORGE ANDREW THRASHER, b. January 08, 1888, St. Paul, Collins Co. Texas; d. December 24, 1967, Tulare, Tulare Co. California.
25. viii. GEORGIA ANNE THRASHER, b. January 08, 1888, St. Pauls, Collins Co. Texas; d. June 23, 1952, Hanford, Kings County, CA.

8. THOMAS BECKUM³ THRASHER (*SAMUEL JACKSON*², *GEORGE WASHINGTON*¹) was born March 16, 1857 in Talladega Co. Alabama, and died January 14, 1945 in Aransas Co. Texas. He married (1) JOSEPHINE MARTIN LINDSEY January 13, 1883 in Itawamba Co. MS. She died Bet. 1900 - 1908. He married (2) ROSELLA (SHUGART) Abt. 1908. She was born Abt. 1872 in Nebraska.

Notes for THOMAS BECKUM THRASHER:

The birth date is taken from the family Bible.

Thomas is found in the 1860 Census for Talladega County, Alabama with his parents. In the 1870 Census he is still with his parents, but living in Lawrence County, Alabama. Thomas is found in the 1910 Census for

Vernon, Wilbarger County, Texas with a second wife. In the 1920 Census he is living with his son, Charles, and his family in Vernon, Wilbarger County, Texas.

Thomas's occupation is listed twice as "Laborer and odd jobs".

Internet: unverified: Family Data Collection - Individual Record: Thomas Beckum Thrasher; parents Samuel Jack Thrasher, Rebecca; Birth place: Talladega, Alabama; birth 16 March 1857; marriage date: 14 Feb. 1882; death date, 14 Jan. 1945; death place: Aransas Pass, Texas.

Notes for JOSEPHINE MARTIN LINDSEY:

Josephine was the sister of Roxanne Lindsey who married William Pierce Thrasher, brother of Thomas.

Children of THOMAS THRASHER and JOSEPHINE LINDSEY are:

26. i. WILLIAM M.⁴ THRASHER, b. November 08, 1884, Guntown, MS; d. February 08, 1981, Paris, Lamar County, Texas.
27. ii. CHARLES EDWARD THRASHER, b. Abt. 1893, Alabama.
- iii. BESSIE MAY THRASHER, b. Abt. 1900, Alabama.
- iv. BELLE THRASHER, m. KELLEY.

Notes for BELLE THRASHER:

Belle is named as a sister in her brother's obituary

9. JAMES MONROE³ THRASHER (*SAMUEL JACKSON², GEORGE WASHINGTON¹*) was born April 20, 1862 in Alabama. He married ALICE SÄDIE ANSLEY December 26, 1886. She was born December 23, 1864 in GA..

Notes for JAMES MONROE THRASHER:

Birth date taken from the family Bible.

Called "Jim". He moved to California and lived in the San Fernando Valley. His occupation is listed as "farmer - truck farm".

James is first found in the 1870 Census in Lawrence County, Alabama with his parents. In the 1880 Census the James M. is listed in Union Co. MS. still with his parents. In the 1900, 1910, 1920, and 1930 Census James M. Thrasher is found in Los Angeles, Co. CA. with his own family.

The 1900 Census says that James and Alice had been married for 13 years and had 7 children, all living at that time.

Children of JAMES THRASHER and ALICE ANSLEY are:

28. i. STERLING MONROE⁴ THRASHER, b. September 07, 1887, Texas.
- ii. JOSEPH PRESTON THRASHER, b. June 21, 1889, CA.; m. GRACIA; b. Abt. 1893, Vermont.

Notes for JOSEPH PRESTON THRASHER:

His name is listed as Joseph P. and Preston J. in the 1920 and 1930 Census for Burbank, Los Angeles County, CA.

He is listed as Joseph Preston Thrasher in the family Bible, born on 21 June 1889.

Occupation: Farmer and common laborer. Does not live on a farm. Does not own a radio set!

- iii. NETTIE ELLEN THRASHER, b. December 06, 1891, California.

Notes for NETTIE ELLEN THRASHER:

Nettie is listed in the family Bible as Nettie Ellen Thrasher born 6 December 1891.

- iv. DESSIE ALICE THRASHER, b. October 10, 1893, Ca..

Notes for DESSIE ALICE THRASHER:

Dessie is listed in the family Bible as Dessie Alice Thrasher born 10 October 1893.

29. v. JAMES VIRGIL THRASHER, b. August 17, 1895, CA.
- vi. MARJORIE M. THRASHER, b. August 1898, CA..
- vii. NELLIE E. THRASHER, b. March 1900, CA..

10. SENA LOU³ THRASHER (*SAMUEL JACKSON², GEORGE WASHINGTON¹*) was born February 14, 1865 in Alabama, and died April 03, 1946 in Los Angeles County, California. She married ALEXANDER KITCHENSON BARNES July 12, 1882 in Guntown, Lee County, Mississippi. He was born Abt. 1863 in Alabama, and died Abt. 1902 in Texas.

Notes for SENA LOU THRASHER:

The birth date was taken from the family Bible. Even though the Bible spelled her name "Senea", she was known by most as "Sena".

Sena went to California with at least seven of her children after her husband's death. In the 1910 Census following her husband's death, she reported being the mother of 12 children, 8 living at that time.

Sena is first found in the 1870 Census with her parents in Lawrence Co. Alabama; In the 1880 Census she is with her father in Union Co. Mississippi; In the 1900 Census Sena and her own family are located in Lamar Co. Texas; In the 1910, 1920, and 1930 Census she is "head" of the family and found in Los Angeles Co. CA.

Notes for ALEXANDER KITCHENSON BARNES:

Alexander Barnes was a farmer and blacksmith.

Children of SENA THRASHER and ALEXANDER BARNES are:

- i. OLIVER LEANDER⁴ BARNES, b. August 1883, MS; d. 1986.

Notes for OLIVER LEANDER BARNES:

In the 1910 Census Oliver was listed as "Clerk, general store".
Oliver dies at age 104.

- ii. JASON COLUMBUS BARNES, b. February 1885, Texas.
- iii. LUTHER SCOTT BARNES, b. September 1886, Texas.

Notes for LUTHER SCOTT BARNES:

In the 1910 Census, Scott was listed as a "farmer - working out".

- iv. CARRIE MIRANDA BARNES, b. January 1890, Texas; m. ERNEST KIRKPATRICK.
- v. ALEXANDER C. BARNES, b. August 1895, Texas.
30. vi. TOY BARNES, b. November 02, 1897, Texas; d. January 28, 2006, Los Angeles County, California.
- vii. HARLEY BARNES, b. October 1899, Texas.
- viii. HARVEY BARNES, b. October 1899, Texas.
31. ix. BUNKLEY C. BARNES, b. March 22, 1901, Texas; d. September 02, 2002, El Dorado County, CA.

11. JOSEPH/JOSIAH JACKSON³ THRASHER (*SAMUEL JACKSON², GEORGE WASHINGTON¹*) was born February 27, 1867 in Morgan County, Alabama, and died April 13, 1943 in Van Nuys, Los Angeles County, California. He married ALICE BERTHA PENLAND September 29, 1896 in Los Angeles, CA, daughter of JAMES PENLAND and SARAH DAVIS. She was born July 29, 1878 in Azusa, California, and died October 02, 1906 in Lankershim, Los Angeles Co. CA.

Notes for JOSEPH/JOSIAH JACKSON THRASHER:

Joseph Thrasher is found in the Census for 1870 in Lawrence County, Alabama; He is listed as Joseph Thrasher in the 1880 Census for Union County, Mississippi; He is listed as Joseph Thrasher in the 1900 Census for Los Angeles County, California; In the 1920 and 1930 Census, Joseph is listed as Josiah Thrasher in Los Angeles County, California.

The birthdate is taken from the family Bible (believed to be from the family of James Monroe and Alice Thrasher) and 1900 Census. The Bible record has a middle initial (J S J Thrasher) thought to be "Silas".

California Death Index, 1940 - 1997: Josiah Jackson Thrasher; born 27 Feb. 1867 in Alabama. Died 13 April 1943. Death place: Los Angeles, CA; Mother's maiden name: Long; Father's surname: Thrasher.

Granddaughter Thais Rust Sykes' information about several generations of the family and copies of the Bible pages. 2007

Notes for ALICE BERTHA PENLAND:

The birth date is taken from the family Bible.

More About ALICE BERTHA PENLAND:

Burial: Pioneer Memorial Cemetery, Sylmar, CA

Children of JOSEPH/JOSIAH THRASHER and ALICE PENLAND are:

32. i. MINNIE LOUGENA⁴ THRASHER, b. August 11, 1897, Toluca, Los Angeles County, California; d. November 23, 1978, Granada Hills, Siskiyou Co. CA.

- 33. ii. MARY MELVINA THRASHER, b. April 01, 1899, North Hollywood, Los Angeles Co. California; d. December 16, 1973, Anaheim, Orange County, CA.
- 34. iii. INA ELIZABETH THRASHER, b. March 10, 1901, Toluca, Los Angeles County, California; d. December 04, 1988, Westminster, Orange County, California.
- 35. iv. DOROTHY ALICE THRASHER, b. December 18, 1905, North Hollywood, Los Angeles County, California; d. April 24, 1958, Colusa, Colusa Co. California.

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12. WILLIAM "WILLIE" J.⁴ THRASHER (*GEORGE WASHINGTON*³, *SAMUEL JACKSON*², *GEORGE WASHINGTON*¹) was born Abt. 1871 in Alabama. He married (1) OLLIE. She was born Abt. 1890 in MS. He married (2) EMMA Abt. 1897. She was born September 1876 in Mississippi.

Notes for WILLIAM "WILLIE" J. THRASHER:

William and family were living next door to his father and mother in the 1900 and 1910 Census for Itawamba County, Mississippi.

In the 1920 Census William and family are still in Itwamba Co. MS living four houses away from his brother, John Lemuel Thrasher. In 1930 William and his second wife, Ollie, are living in Itwamba Co. MS three houses away from his son, Jewell Thrasher and his family.

William is listed as being a farmer. He was not able to read or write.

Notes for OLLIE:

The 1930 Census reported that Ollie has a daughter, Estell Thrasher (born ca 1917 in MS), from her first marriage. She has taken the Thrasher name.

The Census reported that Ollie married Jewell at age 34 which would have been only six years before the 1930 Census was taken. The "son" listed, Vay Thrasher (born ca 1919 in MS), probably is a step son also even though it is not stated in the Census report.

Notes for EMMA:

In 1910, the Census reported that Emma was the mother of 6 children, 5 living.

Children of WILLIAM THRASHER and OLLIE are:

- i. VAY⁵ THRASHER, b. Abt. 1919, MS.

Notes for VAY THRASHER:

Vay's mother, Ollie, married Jewell Thrasher at age 34 which would have been only six years before the 1930 Census was taken. The "son" listed, Vay Thrasher (born ca 1919 in MS), was probably a step son even though is not noted in the 1930 Census.

- ii. LOIS THRASHER, b. Abt. 1925, MS.

Children of WILLIAM THRASHER and EMMA are:

- iii. AILCIE/ELSIE⁵ THRASHER, b. September 1898, MS.
- iv. RAMEY L. THRASHER, b. December 1899, MS.
- 36. v. JEWEL THRASHER, b. Abt. 1903, MS.
- vi. GEORGE MARVIN THRASHER, b. Abt. 1907, MS; m. BEULAH; b. Abt. 1907, MS.

Notes for GEORGE MARVIN THRASHER:

George Marvin Thrasher is found with his parents in the 1910 and 1920 Census for Itawamba Co. MS. In the 1930 Census he is still in Itwamba Co. MS with his wife, Beulah.

- vii. ANNIE LOU THRASHER, b. Abt. December 1909, MS.
- viii. ELOISE THRASHER.

13. JAMES JASPER⁴ THRASHER (*GEORGE WASHINGTON*³, *SAMUEL JACKSON*², *GEORGE WASHINGTON*¹) was born March 11, 1872 in Decatur, Morgan County, Alabama, and died August 01, 1957 in Booneville, Prentiss County, Mississippi. He married MARY JOSEPHINE "JOSIE" STEPHENS February 01, 1895 in Itawamba Co. MS. She was born Abt. 1877 in Mississippi, and died 1954 in Booneville, Prentiss County, Mississippi.

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Notes for JAMES JASPER THRASHER:

James Jasper Thrasher is listed with his parents in the 1880 Census for Morgan County, Alabama. In the 1910 Census for Itawamba County, Mississippi, the name is misspelled and James Jasper Thrasher is listed as J. Thosher. The names of his wife, Josie and his son Ariel are also misspelled (Jocie and Arol). In the 1920 Census he is found in Itawamba County, MS. listed as "Jasper J. Thrasher". In the 1930 Census he is found in Tishomingo County, MS. listed as "Jasper J. Thrasher". James Jasper Thrasher was a farmer.

The following obituary for James Jasper Thrasher 1872 - 1957 was provided by Dennis Thrasher and James F. Thrasher, great grandson and grandson of James Jasper Thrasher. The name of the newspaper is unknown. "Golden, Miss. (special) ---James J. Thrasher, 83, died at a Booneville, Miss. hospital at 11:28 P. M. on Aug. 1. (1957)

Funeral services were conducted this afternoon at 4:30 at Golden Methodist Church with Rev. Louis Parker officiating. Interment was in Salem Cemetery with Highsmith Funeral Home of Russellville in charge.

He is survived by three sons, Toy Thrasher, Golden; Flaud Thrasher, Sheffield; and Nona Thrasher, Ashburn, Ga.; three brothers, Bill, Lemuel, and Henry Thrasher all of Marietta. Five grandchildren also survive."

More About JAMES JASPER THRASHER:

Burial: Salem Cemetery, Itawamba County, MS

Notes for MARY JOSEPHINE "JOSIE" STEPHENS:

This obituary for Mary Josephine (Stephens) Thrasher 1877 - 1954 was provided by Dennis Thrasher and James F. Thrasher. The name of the newspaper is not known.

"Mrs. J. J. Thrasher, 79, died at the Boonville hospital Friday afternoon, about 3 o'clock. She died of heart trouble shortly after entering the hospital.

She was a member of the Church of Christ. Her funeral was held Sunday afternoon at the Golden Methodist Church with the pastor, Rev. E. S. Furr, and her nephew, Rev. Ray Rogers, of Pototoc conducting the service.

Surviving are her husband; 3 sons, Dock Thrasher, Sheffield, Ala., Nona Thrasher, Ft. Payne, Ala., and Toy Thrasher, Golden; one sister, Mrs. J. O. South, Golden; one brother, Earnest Stephens, Ozark; and six grandchildren.

Burial was in Salem Cemetery with her nephews as pallbearers. McMillan and Sons of Boonville were in charge".

More About MARY JOSEPHINE "JOSIE" STEPHENS:

Burial: Salem Cemetery, Itawamba County, MS

Children of JAMES THRASHER and MARY STEPHENS are:

37. i. ARIEL LEE "BIBBS" THRASHER, b. November 07, 1895, MS; d. December 19, 1950.
38. ii. WILMER LEEROY "TOY" THRASHER, b. August 25, 1897; d. April 03, 1986, Franklin, Monroe County, Alabama.
39. iii. FLAUD STEPHENS "DOC" THRASHER, b. March 19, 1903, Louisiana; d. June 02, 1973.
40. iv. NONA BINUM THRASHER, b. October 07, 1910, Itawamba County, Mississippi; d. May 29, 1997, Lake City, Columbia County, Florida.

14. TINNIE CILVESTER⁴ THRASHER (*GEORGE WASHINGTON*³, *SAMUEL JACKSON*², *GEORGE WASHINGTON*¹) was born March 20, 1879 in Itawamba County, Mississippi. He married RENA BELL RODGERS. She was born January 26, 1890 in MS.

Notes for TINNIE CILVESTER THRASHER:

World War Draft Registration, 1917 - 1918: Tinnie Cilvester Thrasher; County: Itawamba; State: Mississippi; birth date: 20 March 1879; Race: White; Roll: 1682927

In the 1920 Census Tinnie is listed in Itawamba Co. MS as Jim S. Thrasher (Tim S. Thrasher).

Notes for RENA BELL RODGERS:

Renar Bell was married before she and Tinnie married. In the 1920 Census household there is one Seasel Wigginton, age 13 who is listed as "Step-son".

Children of TINNIE THRASHER and RENA RODGERS are:

- i. DUVAL⁵ THRASHER, b. Abt. 1913, MS.

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- ii. NORMAN V. THRASHER, b. Abt. 1915.
- iii. DOROTHY THRASHER, b. Abt. September 1918.
- iv. BILL THRASHER.
- v. SYBIL THRASHER.

15. FANNY⁴ THRASHER (*GEORGE WASHINGTON*³, *SAMUEL JACKSON*², *GEORGE WASHINGTON*¹) was born Abt. 1881 in Alabama. She married CAVER.

Notes for FANNY THRASHER:

Fanny is found in the 1910 Census with her father. She is listed as "daughter" and "widowed". Listed as Fanny Caver. Another husband may be named Rogers.

Children of FANNY THRASHER and CAVER are:

- i. EDD⁵ CAVER, b. Abt. 1903, MS.
- ii. RUTH CAVER, b. Abt. 1905, MS.

16. PHILIP WASHINGTON⁴ THRASHER (*GEORGE WASHINGTON*³, *SAMUEL JACKSON*², *GEORGE WASHINGTON*¹) was born November 09, 1883 in Alabama/MS. He married (1) ADA KUYKENDALL. She was born Abt. 1889 in Arkansas. He married (2) PEARL CUMMINGS.

Notes for PHILIP WASHINGTON THRASHER:

Phillip Thrasher is found in the 1900 Census for Itawamba Co. MS with his father. In the 1910 Census Phillip is located in Columbia Co. Arkansas. In 1920 he is located in Hadley, Lafayette County, Arkansas. He is listed as a "farmer" and "laborer on farm".

Children of PHILIP THRASHER and ADA KUYKENDALL are:

- i. LESTER S.⁵ THRASHER, b. Abt. June 1909, Arkansas.
- ii. WILLIAM EARL THRASHER, b. Abt. April 1910, Arkansas.
- iii. BERNIE ORLEAN THRASHER, b. Abt. 1912, Arkansas.
- iv. JESSIE CLYDE THRASHER, b. Abt. 1915, Arkansas.
- v. RAY THRASHER.
- vi. JIMMY THRASHER.
- vii. BOBBY THRASHER.

17. JOHN LEMUEL⁴ THRASHER (*GEORGE WASHINGTON*³, *SAMUEL JACKSON*², *GEORGE WASHINGTON*¹) was born June 27, 1886 in Alabama/Mississippi, and died September 27, 1960. He married MILA SULLINS. She was born September 14, 1890 in MS, and died November 23, 1964.

Notes for JOHN LEMUEL THRASHER:

John Lemuel Thrasher, son of George and Sarah Thrasher (1849) is found in the 1900 Census with his parents in Itawamba Co. MS. In the 1920 Census he and his family are found in Kirksville, Itawamba Co. MS. He is listed as "John L. Thrasher". In 1930 he is listed as "Lem Thrasher" (misspelled in the WPA translation of the Census as "Gene Thrasher") in Itawamba Co. MS. See original census record.

John Lemuel Thrasher was a farmer. He could not read or write.

From The Thrasher Chronicles, Issue #9: John Lem may have had another marriage, perhaps first, to a Retha, last name unknown.

More About JOHN LEMUEL THRASHER:

Burial: Stephens Cemetery, Thrasher, Mississippi

More About MILA SULLINS:

Burial: Stephens Cemetery, Thrasher, Mississippi

Children of JOHN THRASHER and MILA SULLINS are:

- i. DELIE⁵ THRASHER, b. Abt. 1908, MS.
- ii. MALIE THRASHER, b. Abt. 1910, MS.
- iii. OLLIE THRASHER, b. Abt. 1915, MS.
- iv. MYRTIS IRENE THRASHER, b. Abt. September 1917, MS.
- v. ULAN THRASHER, b. Abt. November 1919, MS.

- vi. LILLIE M. THRASHER, b. Abt. 1923, MS.
- vii. CLIO THRASHER, b. Abt. 1925, MS.
- viii. AGNES THRASHER, b. Abt. February 1928, MS.

18. TIMOTHY C.⁴ THRASHER (*GEORGE WASHINGTON*³, *SAMUEL JACKSON*², *GEORGE WASHINGTON*¹) was born October 24, 1889 in Fulton, Mississippi. He married LORA CALDONA WILLINGHAM. She was born 1899 in Alabama.

Notes for TIMOTHY C. THRASHER:

Timothy C. Thrasher is first found in the 1900 Census with his parents, George and Sarah Thrasher in Itawamba Co. MS. In 1910 he is in Itawamba Co. MS with his father listed as "Sim" Thrasher. In the 1920 Census he is listed as "Cim T. Thrasher", still in Itawamba Co. MS. In the 1930 Census he is listed in Tishomingo Co. MS as "Sim Thrasher".

Sim Timothy Thrasher is listed in the WWI Civilian Draft Registration: Born: 24 Oct. 1889; birth place, Fulton, MS; City/county, Itawamba, MS; ethnicity, W.

His occupation in the census was listed as a farmer.

Children of TIMOTHY THRASHER and LORA WILLINGHAM are:

- i. RISSIE L.⁵ THRASHER, b. Abt. 1915, MS.
- ii. DOVIE C. THRASHER, b. Abt. November 1917, MS.

Notes for DOVIE C. THRASHER:

Her name could be Dorie C. Thrasher

- iii. DAWLAN/DULON M. THRASHER, b. Abt. May 1919, MS.

Notes for DAWLAN/DULON M. THRASHER:

His name could be Dulon Thrasher.

- iv. OLEN THRASHER, b. Abt. 1923, MS.
- v. JESSIE R. THRASHER, b. Abt. 1926, MS.
- vi. LESTER E. THRASHER, b. Abt. 1928, MS.
- vii. LESSIE M. THRASHER, b. Abt. January 1930, MS.

19. HENRY HOWARD⁴ THRASHER (*GEORGE WASHINGTON*³, *SAMUEL JACKSON*², *GEORGE WASHINGTON*¹) was born May 04, 1891 in MS, and died May 03, 1969. He married MATTIE ANN SPRADLING. She was born February 26, 1899 in MS.

Notes for HENRY HOWARD THRASHER:

Henry is found in the 1910, 1920 and 1930 Census for Itawamba Co. MS.

Can not read or write.

Henry was a farmer.

More About HENRY HOWARD THRASHER:

Burial: Stephens Cemetery, Thrasher, Itawambe County, Mississippi

More About MATTIE ANN SPRADLING:

Burial: Stephens Cemetery, Thrasher, Itawamba County, Mississippi

Children of HENRY THRASHER and MATTIE SPRADLING are:

- i. JAMES DURELL⁵ THRASHER, b. Abt. 1916, MS.
- ii. HENRY E. THRASHER, b. Abt. 1919, MS.
- iii. DICK THRASHER.
- iv. BOBBY GENE THRASHER.

20. JAMES EDD⁴ THRASHER (*JOHN LEWIS*³, *SAMUEL JACKSON*², *GEORGE WASHINGTON*¹) was born October 1876 in Mississippi. He married WILLIE A.. She was born in Texas.

Notes for JAMES EDD THRASHER:

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James Edd Thrasher is found in the 1880 Census for Union County, MS with his parents listed as "James E". He is still with his parents in the 1900 Census for Claiborne Parrish, Louisiana listed as "Edd". In the 1910 Census James is found in Moss, Columbia County, Arkansas listed as "James E. Throscher". In the 1920 and 1930 Census he is located in Burbank, Los Angeles County, CA.

James' occupation was "farmer." In 1930 he is listed as a "teamster".

Children of JAMES THRASHER and WILLIE A. are:

- i. VIOLA P.⁵ THRASHER, b. Abt. 1905, Louisiana.
- ii. CHARLEY E. THRASHER, b. Abt. 1907, Arkansas.
- iii. VANCE W. THRASHER, b. Abt. 1911, Arkansas; m. DOROTHY, Abt. 1930; b. Abt. 1913, Montana.

Notes for VANCE W. THRASHER:

Vance is listed in the 1930 Census for Burbank, Los Angeles County, California as W. Vance Thrasher.
His occupation is: Interior Decorator - Drapery Company."

21. EMMA L.⁴ THRASHER (*WILLIAM PIERCE³, SAMUEL JACKSON², GEORGE WASHINGTON¹*) was born May 1885 in Alabama. She married ELMER L. KEMPLIN. He was born Abt. 1889 in California.

Children of EMMA THRASHER and ELMER KEMPLIN are:

- i. RUBY L.⁵ KEMPLIN, b. Abt. 1921, California.
- ii. LLOYD L. KEMPLIN, b. Abt. 1929, California.

22. JAMES JEFFERSON⁴ THRASHER (*WILLIAM PIERCE³, SAMUEL JACKSON², GEORGE WASHINGTON¹*) was born November 1887 in Alabama, and died December 03, 1980 in Los Angeles County, California. He married MABEL J. Abt. 1910. She was born Abt. March 1887 in Colorado.

Notes for JAMES JEFFERSON THRASHER:

James is first found in Colbert County, Alabama in the 1900 Census with his father. In the 1920 Census he and his family are located in Lankershim, Los Angeles County, CA. In the 1930 Census he is still living in Lankershim, Los Angeles County, CA.

James was a truck driver for a packing company in 1920 and 1930.

California Death Index, 1940 - 1997

World War I Draft Registration, 1917 - 1918

Children of JAMES THRASHER and MABEL J. are:

- i. ARTHUR J.⁵ THRASHER, b. Abt. 1911, CA.
- ii. EVELYN J. THRASHER, b. Abt. 1913, CA.
- iii. KENNETH J. THRASHER, b. Abt. 1916, CA.
- iv. PAULINE P. THRASHER, b. Abt. 1921, CA; m. GATES.
- v. PIERCE A. THRASHER, b. Abt. 1924, CA.

23. CHARLES ODIE⁴ THRASHER (*WILLIAM PIERCE³, SAMUEL JACKSON², GEORGE WASHINGTON¹*) was born November 1891 in Alabama. He married C. BLANCH Abt. 1917. She was born Abt. 1896 in Michigan.

Notes for CHARLES ODIE THRASHER:

From Issue #1, "Thrasher Chronicles": Odie opened a trout farm near Fresno, ca May 28, 29 and 30, (year ca 1936), but was flooded out and he gave up the project. The sign read "Rainbow Trout Farm - Thrasher's Kings River Trout Meadows." It was located on Trimmer Road, one and one half miles north of Belmont (Fresno area) and near the Friant Canal.

Charles Odie Thrasher is found in the 1920 Census for Gardena, Los Angeles County, CA. and in the 1930 Census for South Gate, Los Angeles County, CA.

His occupation in 1920 was "steel worker - shop" and in 1930, "leathertreater - plant".

Child of CHARLES THRASHER and C. BLANCH is:

- i. EARL S.⁵ THRASHER, b. November 16, 1917, California.

Notes for EARL S. THRASHER:

California Birth Records Index, 1905 - 1995.

24. GEORGE ANDREW⁴ THRASHER (*BENTON CYL VESTER³, SAMUEL JACKSON², GEORGE WASHINGTON¹*) was born January 08, 1888 in St. Paul, Collins Co. Texas, and died December 24, 1967 in Tulare, Tulare Co. California. He married GOLDIE BROWN May 23, 1917 in Fresno, Fresno Co. CA. She was born January 21, 1897 in Tulare, Tulare Co. California, and died September 13, 1955 in Tulare, Tulare Co. California.

Notes for GEORGE ANDREW THRASHER:

Records from the "Thrasher Chronicles" by George B. Thrasher, Issues #1 - 11. Dec. 1998 through 2003.
Found in the 1920 and 1930 Census in Tulare, Tulare Co. CA

George worked for his Uncle Jim when he first arrived in California on James' and Alice's ranch in the Chatsworth Area of Los Angeles Co. CA. George A. worked later in a winery, a sugar beet factory, and 1910 for the Southern Pacific Railroad as a signal maintenance repairman. He retired on Jan. 8, 1954.

More About GEORGE ANDREW THRASHER:

Burial: Tulare Cemetery, Tulare, Tulare Co. CA

More About GOLDIE BROWN:

Burial: Tulare Cemetery, Tulare, Tulare Co. CA

Children of GEORGE THRASHER and GOLDIE BROWN are:

41. i. GEORGE BENTON⁵ THRASHER, b. May 06, 1918, Tulare, Tulare County, California; d. March 02, 2004, Tulare, Tulare County, California.
- ii. GOLDIE ALMIRA THRASHER, b. February 09, 1920, California; m. ROBERT WILLIAM STEWART, August 24, 1951.
- iii. RUBY M. THRASHER, b. November 24, 1921, Tulare, California; d. December 08, 1983.
- iv. JIM SYLVESTER THRASHER, b. Abt. 1927; d. May 13, 2000.

25. GEORGIA ANNE⁴ THRASHER (*BENTON CYL VESTER³, SAMUEL JACKSON², GEORGE WASHINGTON¹*) was born January 08, 1888 in St. Pauls, Collins Co. Texas, and died June 23, 1952 in Hanford, Kings County, CA. She married JOHN MARTIN.

More About GEORGIA ANNE THRASHER:

Burial: Arroyo Grande, San Luis Obispo Co. CA

Child of GEORGIA THRASHER and JOHN MARTIN is:

- i. MARGARET ALMIRA⁵ MARTIN.

26. WILLIAM M.⁴ THRASHER (*THOMAS BECKUM³, SAMUEL JACKSON², GEORGE WASHINGTON¹*) was born November 08, 1884 in Guntown, MS, and died February 08, 1981 in Paris, Lamar County, Texas. He married MINNIE B. FREEMAN March 23, 1904 in Paris, Lamar Co. Texas. She was born Abt. 1884 in Alabama, and died April 25, 1966 in Texas.

Notes for WILLIAM M. THRASHER:

Information is taken from his obituary and funeral service program.

"He was a retired minister Baptist minister - - He was ordained as a Baptist minister in 1926. Served as a missionary minister in Lamar, Red Level, and Delta Counties. He is survived by one son, Hubert Thrasher of San Bernardino, CA; Five daughters: Mrs. C. D. Patterson, Dallas; Mrs. Robert Cummings, Mrs. K.L. DePue, and Mrs. T. G. Bowman, all of Paris; Mrs. Earl Roberts, Kemp;, and one sister Mrs. Belle Kelley, Cuero (Ed Witt Co. Texas.)"

William is found in the 1920 and 1930 Census for Paris, Lamar County, Texas as William N. and William M. Thrasher

More About WILLIAM M. THRASHER:

Burial: Meadowbrook Gardens, Paris, Lamer Co. Texas

Children of WILLIAM THRASHER and MINNIE FREEMAN are:

- i. EDNA⁵ THRASHER, b. Abt. 1905, Texas.
- ii. HURBERT THRASHER, b. Abt. 1907, Texas.

Notes for HURBERT THRASHER:

In 1981 Hubert Thrasher lived in San Bernardino, San Bernardino Co. CA.

- iii. ADA THRASHER, b. Abt. 1909, Texas.
- iv. EVA MAY THRASHER, b. Abt. 1912, Texas.
- v. VERA MAY THRASHER, b. Abt. 1914, Texas.
- vi. CECIL EVELYN THRASHER, b. Abt. 1917, Texas.

27. CHARLES EDWARD⁴ THRASHER (*THOMAS BECKUM³, SAMUEL JACKSON², GEORGE WASHINGTON¹*) was born Abt. 1893 in Alabama. He married RUBY Abt. 1914. She was born Abt. 1893 in Texas.

Notes for CHARLES EDWARD THRASHER:

Charles E. Thrasher is found in the 1920 Census and 1930 Census for Vernon, Wilbarger County, Texas. In 1930 his father, Thomas, is living with him and his family.

Charles was a butcher in a butcher shop.

Children of CHARLES THRASHER and RUBY are:

- i. MAYME⁵ THRASHER, b. Abt. 1915, Texas.
- ii. ERWIN A. THRASHER, b. Abt. 1918, Texas.

Notes for ERWIN A. THRASHER:

Erwin is found in the 1920 Census for Wilbarger County, Texas. It is likely that he and a son of Charles, Thurmond, who is found in the 1930 Census are the same person as they have the same age. No further information available.

- iii. THURMAN THRASHER, b. Abt. 1918, Texas.

Notes for THURMAN THRASHER:

It is likely that he and Erwin A. Thrasher, sons of Charles E. Thrasher are the same person as they are found in different Census reports, but are the same age.

- iv. OLETA THRASHER, b. Abt. 1923, Texas.
- v. FRANCES THRASHER, b. Abt. 1925.
- vi. MYRTLE THRASHER, b. Abt. July 1926.

28. STERLING MONROE⁴ THRASHER (*JAMES MONROE³, SAMUEL JACKSON², GEORGE WASHINGTON¹*) was born September 07, 1887 in Texas. He married BESSIE E. HAMILTON Abt. 1918. She was born 1890 in California.

Notes for STERLING MONROE THRASHER:

He is listed in the family Bible as Sterling Monroe Thrasher, born 7 September 1887.

Sterling is found in the 1920 and 1930 Census for Burbank, Los Angeles County, CA. His occupation is listed as first, "farmer", then "truck driver - lumber Company".

In 1930 his mother - in - law, Mary A. Hamilton, is living with Sterling and family.

Child of STERLING THRASHER and BESSIE HAMILTON is:

- i. ANNA L.⁵ THRASHER, b. December 1919.

29. JAMES VIRGIL⁴ THRASHER (*JAMES MONROE³, SAMUEL JACKSON², GEORGE WASHINGTON¹*) was born August 17, 1895 in CA. He married ALICE T. Abt. 1918. She was born Abt. 1898 in Kansas.

Notes for JAMES VIRGIL THRASHER:

The 1920 Census for Burbank, Los Angeles County, CA first lists him as "Vergil J. Thrasher", then in 1930 as "Virgie J. Thrasher".

The entry in the family Bible lists him as James Virgil Thrasher born 17 August 1895.

He is listed as being a farmer, then later as a salesman for an oil company.

He does not live on a farm and does have a radio set in 1930!

Children of JAMES THRASHER and ALICE T. are:

- 42. i. ORWYN H.⁵ THRASHER, b. Abt. 1921.

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- ii. LOIS E. THRASHER, b. Abt. 1919.
- iii. MARGARET E. THRASHER, b. Abt. 1926.
- iv. MELVIN J. THRASHER, b. Abt. June 1927.

30. TOY⁴ BARNES (*SENA LOU³ THRASHER, SAMUEL JACKSON², GEORGE WASHINGTON¹*) was born November 02, 1897 in Texas, and died January 28, 2006 in Los Angeles County, California. She married CLYDE MCCLELLAN May 19, 1920. He was born April 08, 1894, and died February 03, 1973 in Los Angeles, Los Angeles Co. California.

Notes for TOY BARNES:

The 1920 Census for Los Angeles County, CA reported that Toy was working in an organ factory. In the 1930 Census she is in Los Angeles County, CA with her husband and daughter.
Toy died at age 108.

Notes for CLYDE MCCLELLAN:

Clyde is listed in the Social Security Death Index.
Clyde is listed in the California Death Index, 1940 - 1997.

Child of TOY BARNES and CLYDE MCCLELLAN is:

- 43. i. MARVELL⁵ BARNES, b. 1923.

31. BUNKLEY C.⁴ BARNES (*SENA LOU³ THRASHER, SAMUEL JACKSON², GEORGE WASHINGTON¹*) was born March 22, 1901 in Texas, and died September 02, 2002 in El Dorado County, CA.

Notes for BUNKLEY C. BARNES:

Died at age 101. He was an electrician's assistant for Universal Studios where he was hired in 1923. He was the "fastest short-stop in and around Studio City".

Child of BUNKLEY C. BARNES is:

- i. LINDA⁵ BARNES.

32. MINNIE LOUGENA⁴ THRASHER (*JOSEPH/JOSIAH JACKSON³, SAMUEL JACKSON², GEORGE WASHINGTON¹*) was born August 11, 1897 in Toluca, Los Angeles County, California, and died November 23, 1978 in Granada Hills, Siskiyou Co. CA. She married (1) GROVER C. HOSKINS SR., son of JAMES HOSKINS and CHARITY GREEN. He was born 1890 in Kentucky. She married (2) PAROTT.

Notes for MINNIE LOUGENA THRASHER:

Minnie Thrasher is found in the 1900 Census for Los Angeles County, California. She is found in the 1920 and 1930 Census for Los Angeles County, California under the name Minnie Hoskins.
Her birth date is taken from the family Bible.

Children of MINNIE THRASHER and GROVER SR. are:

- i. WILLIAM K.⁵ HOSKINS, b. California.
- 44. ii. GROVER CLEVELAND HOSKINS JR., b. October 22, 1919, California; d. Los Angeles County, California.
- iii. SIDNEY J. HOSKINS, b. April 20, 1921, Los Angeles County, California.
- iv. MAYME A. HOSKINS, b. April 16, 1922, Los Angeles County, California.
- v. GILFORD J. HOSKINS, b. November 08, 1924, Los Angeles County, California.
- vi. JIMMIE KRNE JR., b. June 17, 1926, Los Angeles County, California.

33. MARY MELVINA⁴ THRASHER (*JOSEPH/JOSIAH JACKSON³, SAMUEL JACKSON², GEORGE WASHINGTON¹*) was born April 01, 1899 in North Hollywood, Los Angeles Co. California, and died December 16, 1973 in Anaheim, Orange County, CA. She married CARL RAYMOND KAYS. He was born Abt. 1896 in Ohio.

Notes for MARY MELVINA THRASHER:

Mary Thrasher is found in the 1900 and 1920 Census for Los Angeles County, California.
In the 1910 Census for Los Angeles County, California, she and her sister, Dorothy, were living with their grandmother, Sarah Penland, following the death of her mother. Her father could not care for all four girls at one

time and work too. When the two daughters were a little older, they returned to live with their father. In the 1930 Census she is living in Los Angeles County, CA with her husband, Carl R. Kays.

The birth date is taken from the family Bible.

Notes for CARL RAYMOND KAYS:

In the 1930 Census for Los Angeles County, CA, Carl's occupation is listed as "paving streets." Thais Sykes said (2007) "He worked for the railroad early on and later at Douglas Aircraft until he retired".

Children of MARY THRASHER and CARL KAYS are:

- i. CARL R.⁵ KAYS, b. July 09, 1921, Imperial County, California.
- ii. MARLYN A. KAYS, b. May 23, 1924, Los Angeles County, California; d. 2002, Anaheim, Orange Co. CA.

34. INA ELIZABETH⁴ THRASHER (*JOSEPH/JOSIAH JACKSON³, SAMUEL JACKSON², GEORGE WASHINGTON¹*) was born March 10, 1901 in Toluca, Los Angeles County, California, and died December 04, 1988 in Westminster, Orange County, California. She married (1) MORRIS ANDREWS. She married (2) CLAYTON CARL RUST November 19, 1919 in San Fernando, Los Angeles County, California, son of RAYBURN RUST and ELLA HETHERINGTON. He was born May 02, 1878 in Long Pine, Brown County, Nebraska, and died May 02, 1974 in Huntington Beach, Los Angeles Co. CA.

Notes for INA ELIZABETH THRASHER:

Ina Thrasher is found in the 1910 Census for Los Angeles County, California.

The birth date is taken from the family Bible.

An Affidavit of Birth for the State of California. Affidavit by Josiah Jackson Thrasher, father of Ina Elizabeth (Thrasher) Rust attesting to Ina's birth. The Affidavit is dated 15 July 1942.

Information from Ina's daughter, Thais Rust Sykes. 2007

Children of INA THRASHER and CLAYTON RUST are:

- i. RODNEY RAYBURN⁵ RUST, b. Stillborn.
- ii. THAIS MELBA RUST, b. April 05, 1925, Santa Monica, Los Angeles Co. CA.

35. DOROTHY ALICE⁴ THRASHER (*JOSEPH/JOSIAH JACKSON³, SAMUEL JACKSON², GEORGE WASHINGTON¹*) was born December 18, 1905 in North Hollywood, Los Angeles County, California, and died April 24, 1958 in Colusa, Colusa Co. California. She married JESSE A. LYTTON April 1925. He was born Abt. 1896 in Indiana.

Notes for DOROTHY ALICE THRASHER:

Dorothy is first found in the 1910 Census for Los Angeles County, California living with her grandmother, Sarah Penland. After her mother died, her father could not care for all four girls at one time and work too so Mary and Dorothy lived for a time with their grandmother. Later Dorothy and Mary returned home to their father. Dorothy Thrasher is found in the 1920 Census for Los Angeles County, California living with her father, Joseph/Josiah Jackson Thrasher. In the 1930 Census Dorothy is found in Sutter, Sutter Co. California living with her husband, Jesse A. Lytton.

The birthdate is taken from the family Bible.

California Death Index, 1940 - 1997

Children of DOROTHY THRASHER and JESSE LYTTON are:

- i. JAMES A.⁵ LYTTON, b. February 25, 1924, Los Angeles County, California.
- ii. ROBERT N. LYTTON, b. April 10, 1925, Los Angeles County, California.
- iii. WILLIAM HARRY LYTTON, b. May 21, 1936, Los Angeles County, California.

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36. JEWEL⁵ THRASHER (*WILLIAM "WILLIE" J.⁴, GEORGE WASHINGTON³, SAMUEL JACKSON², GEORGE WASHINGTON¹*) was born Abt. 1903 in MS. He married ELVIE Abt. 1923. She was born Abt. 1909 in Alabama.

Notes for JEWEL THRASHER:

Jewell Thrasher is found in the 1920 and 1930 Census in Itawamba County, MS.

He was a farmer.

Children of JEWEL THRASHER and ELVIE are:

- i. EUNICE⁶ THRASHER, b. Abt. 1925, MS.
- ii. ONESTA THRASHER, b. Abt. 1926, MS.
- iii. DEXTER THRASHER, b. Abt. August 1927, MS.

37. ARIEL LEE "BIBBS"⁵ THRASHER (*JAMES JASPER⁴, GEORGE WASHINGTON³, SAMUEL JACKSON², GEORGE WASHINGTON¹*) was born November 07, 1895 in MS, and died December 19, 1950. He married (1) ARIZONA DUNCAN. She was born Abt. 1902 in Alabama. He married (2) RENA.

Notes for ARIEL LEE "BIBBS" THRASHER:

The 1910 Census for Ariel's father and his family has very bad spelling. Ariel is listed as Arol Throsher. In the 1920 Census he is listed as Ariel Thrasher. In 1930 he is listed as Arron L. Thrasher in Tishamingo Co. MS.. Ariel and his wife are living next door to his parents and in a home with his older brother, Flaud, in the 1930 Census for Tishomingo County, MS.

Ariel's occupation in the 1930 Census is listed as "edging - lumber mill".

His nickname was "Bibbs". The correct spelling of his name, "Ariel" is verified by his nephew, James F. Thrasher. Sept. 2007

From his nephew, James F. Thrasher: Ariel served in the U.S. Army during World War I and was severely injured during a German Mustard Gas attack. As a results of the mustard gas, he was in poor health until the time of his death at age 55.

More About ARIEL LEE "BIBBS" THRASHER:

Burial: Fairview or Dennis Cem. MS

Child of ARIEL THRASHER and ARIZONA DUNCAN is:

- i. INFANT⁶ THRASHER.

Child of ARIEL THRASHER and RENA is:

- ii. CLETRA MAE⁶ THRASHER.

38. WILMER LEEROY "TOY"⁵ THRASHER (*JAMES JASPER⁴, GEORGE WASHINGTON³, SAMUEL JACKSON², GEORGE WASHINGTON¹*) was born August 25, 1897, and died April 03, 1986 in Franklin, Monroe County, Alabama. He married LUCILLE HECK JAMES. She was born Abt. 1908 in MS.

Notes for WILMER LEEROY "TOY" THRASHER:

Wilmer is first found in the 1910 Census for Itawamba Co. MS with his parents. The name is misspelled: Throsher. In the 1930 Census for Tishomingo Co. MS, he is listed as Toy W. Thrasher.

His nickname was, "Toy" according to his nephew, James F. Thrasher. Sept. 2007

In 1930 his occupation was "truck driver".

WWI Civilian Draft Registration: Thrasher, Wilmer Lee Roy. Lives at Rfd, Marietta, Itawamba Co. MS.

Ethnicity: W

Social Security Death Index: Wilmer Thrasher. SSN: 425-26-8346. Last residence: 35582 Red Bay, Franklin, Alabama. Died: Apr. 1986. State (year) SSN: Mississippi (Before 1951).

Some statistics from his nephew, James F. Thrasher. Sept. 2007

More About WILMER LEEROY "TOY" THRASHER:

Burial: Belmont City Cemetery, Belmont, Tishomongo Co. MS

Child of WILMER THRASHER and LUCILLE JAMES is:

- i. ALDEAN⁶ THRASHER, d. 1998.

39. FLAUD STEPHENS "DOC"⁵ THRASHER (*JAMES JASPER⁴, GEORGE WASHINGTON³, SAMUEL JACKSON², GEORGE WASHINGTON¹*) was born March 19, 1903 in Louisiana, and died June 02, 1973. He married GLADYS I. SWENNEY. She was born Abt. 1909 in Louisiana.

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Notes for FLAUD STEPHENS "DOC" THRASHER:

Flaud is first found in the 1910 Census for Itawamba Co. MS with his parents. His name is misspelled: Floyd Throsher.

The 1920 Census for Itawamba Co. MS lists Flaud as "Claud Thrasher".

Flaud and his wife are living in the same house as his brother Ariel, next door to their parents in the 1930 Census for Tishomingo County, MS.

Flaud's occupation listed in the 1930 Census is "Trimmer - lumber mill".

His nickname was, "Dock". His correct name, "Flaud" is verified by his nephew, James F. Thrasher who also supplied some vital statistics for this family. Sept. 2007

More About FLAUD STEPHENS "DOC" THRASHER:

Burial: Oakwood Cem. Sheffield, Colbert County, Alabama

More About GLADYS I. SWENNEY:

Burial: Oakwood Cem. Sheffield, Colbert County, Alabama

Child of FLAUD THRASHER and GLADYS SWENNEY is:

46. i. SUEL OGEAN⁶ THRASHER, b. October 06, 1930.

40. NONA BINUM⁵ THRASHER (*JAMES JASPER⁴, GEORGE WASHINGTON³, SAMUEL JACKSON², GEORGE WASHINGTON¹*) was born October 07, 1910 in Itawamba County, Mississippi, and died May 29, 1997 in Lake City, Columbia County, Florida. He married GASTON MARIE FALLS December 26, 1936 in Olivehill, Hardin County, Tennessee, daughter of FLETCHER FALLS and EFFIE WILSON. She was born December 19, 1915 in Savannah, Hardin County, Tennessee, and died August 06, 1996 in Lake City, Columbia County, Florida.

Notes for NONA BINUM THRASHER:

Nona Binum Thrasher is first found in the 1920 Census for Itawamba Co. Ms with his parents. His name is spelled "Nonia".

In 1930 he is listed with his parents in Tishomingo Co. MS as "Nonon B. Thrasher".

In 1930 his occupation is listed as "Carriage - lumber mill".

Nona B. Thrasher is found in the Florida Death Index, 1877 - 1998.

Nona B. Thrasher is found in the Social Security Death Index.

More About NONA BINUM THRASHER:

Burial: Mt. Carmel Cem. Lake City, Columbia County, Florida

More About GASTON MARIE FALLS:

Burial: Mt. Carmel Cem. Lake City, Columbia County, Florida

Children of NONA THRASHER and GASTON FALLS are:

47. i. JOE LEONARD⁶ THRASHER, b. January 08, 1939, Clifton, Wayne County, Tennessee; d. December 29, 2006, Daphne, Baldwin County, Alabama.

48. ii. JAMES F. THRASHER, b. September 18, 1946, Fort Payne, DeKalb County, Alabama.

41. GEORGE BENTON⁵ THRASHER (*GEORGE ANDREW⁴, BENTON CYL VESTER³, SAMUEL JACKSON², GEORGE WASHINGTON¹*) was born May 06, 1918 in Tulare, Tulare County, California, and died March 02, 2004 in Tulare, Tulare County, California. He married LILLIAN MARIE HOWARD September 21, 1940 in Tipton, Tulare County, CA. She was born April 29, 1922 in Chicota, Oklahoma, and died August 07, 1979 in Tulare County, California.

Notes for GEORGE BENTON THRASHER:

Many of the records are from George himself as published in his family publication, the "Thrasher Chronicles," Issues #1 - 11, Dec. 1, 1998 - 2003. He was a sincere, dedicated, an energetic genealogist. As a young boy and man George worked on the family farm and ranch doing the usual chores of all kinds. He was interested in amateur radio and in 1934 received his Amateur Radio Licence. He graduated from Tulare Union High School in 1936. George worked for the Golden State Company and wrote detailed instructions on how to perform certain jobs. He was a volunteer fireman for eight years, then as a paid firefighter, fire marshall/assistant fire chief and acting fire chief. George retired in 1973 after 30 years of service.

George was a member of many organizations and was recognized for his work with them many times. For

further information see his obituary, published in the Tulare Advance Register, March 9, 2004.

More About GEORGE BENTON THRASHER:

Burial: Tulare District Cemetery, Tulare County, California

Children of GEORGE THRASHER and LILLIAN HOWARD are:

49. i. GEORGE CLINTON⁶ THRASHER, b. September 09, 1941, Tulare County, California.
50. ii. BENJAMIN WALTER THRASHER, b. September 25, 1944, Tulare County, California.
- iii. KENNETH OLIVER THRASHER, b. June 06, 1947, Tulare County, California; m. (1) CAROL CANTRELL; m. (2) DEBORAH (THORNTON) GILLIAM.

42. ORWYN H.⁵ THRASHER (*JAMES VIRGIL⁴, JAMES MONROE³, SAMUEL JACKSON², GEORGE WASHINGTON¹*) was born Abt. 1921. He married TINA RASMUSON.

Children of ORWYN THRASHER and TINA RASMUSON are:

- i. DARLENE GAE⁶ THRASHER, b. November 26, 1941, Los Angeles County, California.
- ii. DIANE MAE THRASHER, b. June 24, 1944, Alameda County, California.

43. MARVELL⁵ BARNES (*TOY⁴, SENA LOU³ THRASHER, SAMUEL JACKSON², GEORGE WASHINGTON¹*) was born 1923. She married JOHN GUM 1945. He died 1987.

Notes for MARVELL BARNES:

Information for Marvell McClellan Gum and her descendants was received from Thais Rust Sykes in 2007

Children of MARVELL BARNES and JOHN GUM are:

51. i. GWENDALEE⁶ GUM, b. 1946.
52. ii. JOAN GUM.

44. GROVER CLEVELAND HOSKINS⁵ JR. (*MINNIE LOUGENA⁴ THRASHER, JOSEPH/JOSIAH JACKSON³, SAMUEL JACKSON², GEORGE WASHINGTON¹*) was born October 22, 1919 in California, and died in Los Angeles County, California. He married GRACE (RITA MARY) MISSICK.

Child of GROVER JR. and GRACE MISSICK is:

- i. J. WALTER⁶ HOSKINS, b. November 10, 1941, Los Angeles County, California.

45. THAIS MELBA⁵ RUST (*INA ELIZABETH⁴ THRASHER, JOSEPH/JOSIAH JACKSON³, SAMUEL JACKSON², GEORGE WASHINGTON¹*) was born April 05, 1925 in Santa Monica, Los Angeles Co. CA. She married JOHN "JACK" MEAD SYKES August 30, 1956 in Santa Monica, CA, son of SHERMAN SYKES and GLADYS HESS. He was born November 25, 1925 in Hollywood, Los Angeles County, CA.

Children of THAIS RUST and JOHN SYKES are:

53. i. LORINA⁶ SYKES, b. January 13, 1958, Pomona, Los Angeles County, CA.
- ii. LISA SYKES, b. May 22, 1961, Pomona, Los Angeles County, CA.

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46. SUEL OGEAN⁶ THRASHER (*FLAUD STEPHENS "DOC"⁵, JAMES JASPER⁴, GEORGE WASHINGTON³, SAMUEL JACKSON², GEORGE WASHINGTON¹*) was born October 06, 1930. He married MARGIE.

More About SUEL OGEAN THRASHER:

Burial: Sheffield Cemetery, Sheffield, Colbert County, Alabama

Child of SUEL THRASHER and MARGIE is:

- i. DENNIS H.⁷ THRASHER.

Notes for DENNIS H. THRASHER:

From his cousin, James F. Thrasher: Dennis was living in Auburn, Alabama about 2003-2004 and worked for

the Dept. of Mechanical Engineering at Auburn University.

47. JOE LEONARD⁶ THRASHER (*NONA BINUM⁵, JAMES JASPER⁴, GEORGE WASHINGTON³, SAMUEL JACKSON², GEORGE WASHINGTON¹*) was born January 08, 1939 in Clifton, Wayne County, Tennessee, and died December 29, 2006 in Daphne, Baldwin County, Alabama. He married ROSELLA SOUZA (OVERBY) April 01, 1961.

Notes for JOE LEONARD THRASHER:

Joe Thrasher was retired from Roadway Express Trucking Company with thirty years driving experience and had achieved over three million miles without any driving offences, which put him in an elite class that was attained by very few drivers.

Joe was a veteran of the U. S. Air force, stationed mainly at McClellan Air Force Base in California, and Elmendorf Air Force Base in Alaska.

Joe was also a craftsman brick layer and a Free Mason.

More About JOE LEONARD THRASHER:

Burial: Silverhill Cem. Baldwin County, Alabama

Notes for ROSELLA SOUZA (OVERBY):

Rosella had two children by first marriage: Kurt and Robin. Both children were adopted by Joe Thrasher.

Kurt Thrasher in 2006 lived with his wife Sandra in Meridian, MS.

Robin Thrasher Lewis in 2006 lived with her husband, Dale Lewis, in Liberty, MS.

Kurt and Robin are half brother and sister to Joella Thrasher.

Child of JOE THRASHER and ROSELLA) is:

- i. JOELLA⁷ THRASHER, b. May 18, 1965, Lake City, Columbia County, Florida; m. KEN CUPIT, 1984.

48. JAMES F.⁶ THRASHER (*NONA BINUM⁵, JAMES JASPER⁴, GEORGE WASHINGTON³, SAMUEL JACKSON², GEORGE WASHINGTON¹*) was born September 18, 1946 in Fort Payne, DeKalb County, Alabama. He married (1) SUE ELLEN DEAS July 20, 1967 in Lake City, Columbia County, Florida, daughter of JOHN DEAS and BETTYE HAYES. She was born July 07, 1947 in Panama City, Bay County, Florida. He married (2) MARY ANN HOWELL September 17, 1982 in Lake City, Columbia County, Florida, daughter of ROSCOE HOWELL and MARGARET DOUGLASS. She was born February 28, 1945 in Jacksonville, Duval County, Florida.

Notes for JAMES F. THRASHER:

Jim served in the U. S. Army between 25 July 1965 and 31 August 1996. He retired from U. S. Army active duty with the rank of Sergeant Major, E-9 on 31 August 1996.

Notes for SUE ELLEN DEAS:

Sue and Jim were divorced in 1982.

Children of JAMES THRASHER and SUE DEAS are:

54. i. TRACI JO⁷ THRASHER, b. May 17, 1973, Athens, Clarke County, Georgia.
55. ii. JOHN WILSON THRASHER, b. April 14, 1976, Atlanta, Fulton County, Georgia.

49. GEORGE CLINTON⁶ THRASHER (*GEORGE BENTON⁵, GEORGE ANDREW⁴, BENTON CYL VESTER³, SAMUEL JACKSON², GEORGE WASHINGTON¹*) was born September 09, 1941 in Tulare County, California. He married GLORIA (PENDLETON) APPELL May 11, 1963 in New London, CT.

Child of GEORGE THRASHER and GLORIA APPELL is:

- i. GEORGE DAVID⁷ THRASHER.

50. BENJAMIN WALTER⁶ THRASHER (*GEORGE BENTON⁵, GEORGE ANDREW⁴, BENTON CYL VESTER³, SAMUEL JACKSON², GEORGE WASHINGTON¹*) was born September 25, 1944 in Tulare County, California.

Child of BENJAMIN WALTER THRASHER is:

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- i. NANCY⁷ THRASHER, m. HUNT.

51. GWENDALEE⁶ GUM (*MARVELL⁵ BARNES, TOY⁴, SENA LOU³ THRASHER, SAMUEL JACKSON², GEORGE WASHINGTON¹*) was born 1946. She married JOHN NITTA.

Notes for JOHN NITTA:

John Nitto was a doctor.

Children of GWENDALEE GUM and JOHN NITTA are:

- i. CHRISTOPHER J.⁷ NITTA, b. November 12, 1976, Orange County, California.
- ii. BRIAN JAMES NITTA, b. May 19, 1978, Orange County, California; m. NORMALYN.

52. JOAN⁶ GUM (*MARVELL⁵ BARNES, TOY⁴, SENA LOU³ THRASHER, SAMUEL JACKSON², GEORGE WASHINGTON¹*) She married LARRY LAITY June 1967.

Children of JOAN GUM and LARRY LAITY are:

- i. BILL⁷ LAITY, b. August 1973.
- ii. RYAN SCOTT LAITY, b. September 16, 1978, Los Angeles County, California; m. ALANNA.

53. LORINA⁶ SYKES (*THAIS MELBA⁵ RUST, INA ELIZABETH⁴ THRASHER, JOSEPH/JOSIAH JACKSON³, SAMUEL JACKSON², GEORGE WASHINGTON¹*) was born January 13, 1958 in Pomona, Los Angeles County, CA. She married STEVEN JAMES ARDIS September 10, 1983 in Orange County, CA, son of GORDON ARDIS and LOIS POULIN. He was born September 28, 1957 in Ottawa, Canada.

Notes for LORINA SYKES:

Lorina was married on 10 September 1983 to Steven James Ardis in Orange County, CA..

Children of LORINA SYKES and STEVEN ARDIS are:

- i. NICOLE ELISE⁷ ARDIS, b. November 27, 1986, Orange County, CA.
- ii. JONATHAN JAMES ARDIS, b. April 07, 1989, Orange County, CA.
- iii. CHRISTOPHER WAYNE ARDIS, b. April 07, 1989, Orange County, CA.

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54. TRACI JO⁷ THRASHER (*JAMES F.⁶, NONA BINUM⁵, JAMES JASPER⁴, GEORGE WASHINGTON³, SAMUEL JACKSON², GEORGE WASHINGTON¹*) was born May 17, 1973 in Athens, Clarke County, Georgia. She married JOEY ACOSTA.

Children of TRACI THRASHER and JOEY ACOSTA are:

- i. COURTNEY⁸ ACOSTA.
- ii. CAITLIN ACOSTA.
- iii. JACOB ACOSTA.

55. JOHN WILSON⁷ THRASHER (*JAMES F.⁶, NONA BINUM⁵, JAMES JASPER⁴, GEORGE WASHINGTON³, SAMUEL JACKSON², GEORGE WASHINGTON¹*) was born April 14, 1976 in Atlanta, Fulton County, Georgia. He married TERESA ELKINS.

Children of JOHN THRASHER and TERESA ELKINS are:

- i. SARAH⁸ THRASHER.
- ii. JACKSON THRASHER.

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