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Choctaw County Genealogical Society

Annual Elections Held



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From the President



Happy 2015!

I can't believe that 2015 is already here, but looking forward looks very promising for the Choctaw County Genealogical Society.

As the Society's President, I would like to share with you what I see in 2015....

(1) We have a 'Cemetery Project' that I am truly enjoying. Our goal is to photograph as many cemeteries in our county as we can. We hope to partner with other organizations to clean up some of the older cemeteries that do not have an association to maintain them. We also want to make sure that all are posted in Find A Grave.

(2) One of the things that I see happening in genealogy societies is that members forget why they became society

members. We became members to 'help' our society grow, to learn how and where to do our research, and to help others to know what genealogy is so we can help them with their research. I would like to start in January a series of free monthly programs that will take anyone from 'Where do I start with my research' to 'Look what I can do'. So instead of having a speaker for our monthly programs, we will now have free genealogy classes.

(3) In December I would like to recognize our volunteers and install new officers instead of having a program. It should be attended with family and society friends along with community leaders.

(4) And most of all, Have Fun and enjoy our trip with our ancestors' research.

I would like to say Thank You to each one of our members and to all who gave programs at our meetings. Each one of you have helped our society grow and have helped me personally throughout the year. Saying Thanks just not seem good enough for how special ya'll have become to me.

I am looking forward to working along side everyone this coming year and having fun.

Happy New Year,

Donna Joy Willison Head

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Chahta **Anumpa** (Choctaw Language)

A, I, O Sounds

Halito - hello

Anchi - quilt

Okhlili - dark, dusk

Mahli - wind

Hoponi - to cook

Homma - red

Pinak - groceries, food

Tohbi - white

Click on any of the Choctaw words in red above to hear an audio clip from ChoctawSchool.com
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Choctaw Language Rules

Rule 1

The basic vowels are usually written with the letters a, i, and o.

a sounds like

1. a in the word water, or
2. a in the word sofa

i sounds like

1. i in the word pit, or
2. i in the word machine (e sound)

o has a very unique sound. There is not an English word which equates this unique sound. You will learn this sound by listening to and repeating the examples given. Click on the words to the left to hear the pronunciation.

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New Members & Member Birthdays



We would like to wish a warm welcome to our newest Society members!

Betty Montgomery - Hugo, OK	Janie Allensworth - Ft. Towson, OK
Debra Usry - Paris, TX	Stella Jefferson - Hugo, OK
Donna Calloway - Hugo, OK	Gary Akin - Wichita Falls, TX

We would like to wish a very happy birthday to the following members...

Sue Roebuck - Jan 8th	Cindy Burkhalter - Feb 19th
John Brewer - Jan 24th	Sim Morgan - Mar 3rd
Gary Akin - Feb 2nd	Donna Calloway - Mar 25th
Betty Montgomery - Feb 3rd	Peggy Maeger - Mar 29th



Upcoming Events

January

1st - Happy New Year!!
 2nd-8th - Genealogy Do-Over Week 1
 5th - CCGS Meeting - 6:30 p. m.
 9th-15th - Genealogy Do-Over Week 2
 11th - CCGS Cemetery Gathering -
 9:30 a. m. & 1:30 p.m.
 13th - Genealogy Roadshow Season 2
 Premiers on PBS, 7 p. m.
 16th-22nd - Genealogy Do-Over Week 3
 17th - Beginner Genealogy Class pre-
 sented by Debra Usry at Hugo
 Library 10:00 a. m.-4 p.m.
 19th - Martin Luther King Day
 20th - Genealogy Roadshow
 on PBS, 7 p.m.
 23rd-29th - Genealogy Do-Over Week 4
 27th - Genealogy Roadshow
 on PBS, 7 p.m.
 30th-Feb 5th - Genealogy Do-Over
 Week 5

February

2nd - CCGS Meeting - 6:30 p. m.
 3rd - Genealogy Roadshow
 on PBS, 7 p.m.
 6th-12th - Genealogy Do-Over Week 6
 8th - CCGS Cemetery Gathering -
 9:30 a. m. & 1:30 p.m.
 10th - Genealogy Roadshow
 on PBS, 7 p.m.
 13th-19th - Genealogy Do-Over Week 7
 14th - Valentine's Day
 16th - President's Day
 17th - Genealogy Roadshow
 on PBS, 7 p.m.
 20th-26th - Genealogy Do-Over Week 8
 24th - Genealogy Roadshow Season
 Finale on PBS, 7 p.m.
 24th - Who Do You Think You Are
 Premiers on TLC 9 p.m.
 27th-Mar 5th - Genealogy Do-Over
 Week 9

March

2nd - CCGS Meeting - 6:30 p. m.
 3rd - Who Do You Think You Are
 on TLC 9 p.m.
 6th-12th - Genealogy Do-Over Week 10
 8th - CCGS Cemetery Gathering -
 9:30 a. m. & 1:30 p.m.
 8th - Daylight Savings Time
 10th - Who Do You Think You Are
 on TLC 9 p.m.
 13th-19th - Genealogy Do-Over Week 11
 17th - Who Do You Think You Are
 on TLC 9 p.m.
 20th-26th - Genealogy Do-Over Week 12
 24th - Who Do You Think You Are
 on TLC 9 p.m.
 27th-Apr 3rd - Genealogy Do-Over
 Week 13
 31st - Who Do You Think You Are
 on TLC 9 p.m.

REMINDER MEMBERSHIP RE-NEWALS ARE COMING UP

The Membership Director will be sending out email or postal mail reminders to each member at the beginning of their membership renewal month.

Genealogy Do-Over

by April (Wharton) Makerney

I started researching my family about 10 years ago. While I had a desktop computer at home, I didn't have the Internet. I went to the local library and did a little research on their computer on "how" to research. I learned there was such a thing as a genealogy database program and knew being computer oriented that was the way for me.

I ordered Family Tree Maker and waited very impatiently for it to arrive. In the meantime, I was spending a small fortune printing everything I could get my hands on to take home and enter into my new database.

You might say, what's wrong with that? Oh, if only I knew then what I know now. I did so many things wrong. Some I knew as I was doing at the time and thought I'd fix it later and some I didn't know any better.

For instance, I had very clearly read all about the importance of citing sources. While I did write on the back of many of the documents I printed where I got it, I wasn't consistent with transferring those citations into my database. It wasn't a problem, I knew where I got it and I wasn't sharing my information with anyone else anyway. My database grew.

Then I got the Internet at home and boy was my world opened up. I was able to upload a tree to Ancestry and next thing I knew I was finding all kinds of information from other people I didn't have. I was adding other people's unsourced information into my tree left and right. I'm sure you can guess my next mistake. I merged someone else's tree with mine. My database quadrupled. Now in my defense, I was only trying to merge a section of their tree into mine and accidentally merged the whole thing. That being said, I would NEVER merge someone else's tree into mine today. That tree merge has been the bane of my existence for almost a decade. Couple that with the fact that their tree wasn't sourced either and man, what a headache! Now my database was extremely large and I was having a hard time differentiating between their information and my own. Hardly anything was sourced, mine or theirs, because I had yet to go back and source my information like I told myself I would.

Then I joined my local Genealogy Society. There was so little information from my county available that documenting information from my county was my priority. I could link most of the information to my

database even though the people were not related to me, so I thought one database is better than a bunch of different ones. I still wasn't citing sources like I should have been...if at all.

Skip ahead 10 years. I now have a database with well over 45,000 people. Over half of this is from the merged tree. Little to no source information. And no, I don't remember where I got anything! I was so sure I would remember.

People come to me to help them with their research and all I can think about is how embarrassing it is that my personal work is a perfect example of everything NOT to do.

About a year ago, I took all of my online trees off the Internet. I didn't want to spread misinformation around and I couldn't be sure that I wasn't.

The plan was to basically start over. I got a new genealogy database program that had a feature that helped with creating source citations correctly (Legacy Family Tree Software) which was going to be my main focus.

Well. That didn't happen. What a daunting task. How extremely boring and so NOT fun. Just the thought of the reality of what I was undertaking stopped me in my tracks. So, my work has sat there untouched for almost a year. I refused to research and add to the mess and yet I am dragging my feet about cleaning up my mess.

WELL NO MORE PROCRASTINATING!

NO MORE EXCUSES!

Thomas MacEntee of Geneabloggers must be reading my mind because 2015 is the year of the Genealogy Do-Over! Join us!



Genealogy Do-Over

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Are you ready to hit the restart button?

Is Your Genealogy Ready for a “Do-Over”?

With each new year, many consider making changes in their lives such as losing weight, getting more exercise, etc. Even genealogists like to get in on the act and in 2015 there's a special online educational program that can help you get rid of “bad research habits” and learn some new tricks.

The **Genealogy Do-Over™** is the brainstorm of genealogy author and educator Thomas MacEntee and since its announcement in mid-December 2014, has attracted over 1,000 participants from around the world. And the best part? The entire 13-week program which starts on January 2, 2015, is FREE. Visit the Genealogy Do-Over at <http://www.genealogydo-over.com> to see the announcement and the latest news.

Genealogy Do-Over: A New Journey of Genealogical Discovery

Here is the short summary of **Genealogy Do-Over** as Thomas sees it:

I set aside everything* related to my genealogy research including notebooks, papers, and even digitized files and my genealogy database files and START OVER. I'm hitting the reset button. I'm allowing myself to have a do-over! (*certain items such as vital records ordered and paid for or research gathered on a long-distance trip will be retained).

Since genealogists started their research 10, 20 or 30 years ago (or more), much has changed in the areas of genealogy research methodology and education. Many now realize the need to collect facts and track them properly, including the use of source citations. Many understand the process of analyzing evidence and proving facts to reach a conclusion. In essence, as Thomas puts it: “I know a lot more about the ‘process’ of genealogical research and I want to put it to use.”

How Does the Genealogy Do-Over Work?

The Genealogy Do-Over journey is constructed of 13 mileposts or journey markers spread out over 13 weeks. Participants can choose any pace they want, and even spread the topics out over the course of a year. Or some may decide to drop some of the less important tasks and add different topics. The goal is to do whatever it takes to ensure that a firm footing to finding ancestors.

A synopsis of the planned route – the Schedule of Topics – can be found at <http://www.geneabloggers.com/genealogy-dooover-schedule-topics/>. As each week progresses, participants will continue researching and add more and more skills and areas of focus including citing sources, tracking searches, building a research toolbox, creating an educational plan, researching offline as well as online, and more.

By the end of the 13 weeks – or 13 journey markers – the group will have covered a firm foundation in genealogy and family history research. For individual participants, some focus areas may differ; participants have the freedom to add or remove content from their own Genealogy Do-Over plan. As Thomas says, “This program has to work for you and not something that you dread each week or that you find you are working against.”

What's the Cost? What's the Catch

There is no price. A journey that could very well revolutionize the way you've been doing genealogy research is priceless. When you join the Genealogy Do-Over (see below), you'll receive weekly updates about the current topics, you'll be part of an active and passionate collaborative group sharing genealogy tips and tricks, and more. Legacy Family Tree is hosting a FREE webinar entitled **My Genealogy DO-Over - A Year of Learning from Research Mistakes** (<http://legacy.familytreewebinars.com/?aid=461>) presented by Thomas MacEntee on Wednesday, January 21, 2015.

Here's How to Be a Part of the Genealogy Do-Over

Visit the following sites to get involved and set out on your own Genealogy Do-Over journey in 2015!

- Website: <http://www.genealogydo-over.com>
- Facebook Group: <http://www.facebook.com/groups/genealogydoover/>
- Email List (weekly updates): <http://www.geneabloggers.com/gendo-over-emails>

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Schedule of Topics – Genealogy Do-Over

Week 1 – January 2-8, 2015

- Clean house
- Prepare to research
- Review the Golden Rules

Week 2 – 9-15 January 2015

- Setting Research Goals
- Conducting Self Interview
- Conducting Family Interviews

Week 3 – 16-22 January 2015

- Tracking Research
- Conducting Research

Week 4 – 23-29 January 2015

- Managing Projects and Tasks
- Tracking Searches

Week 5 – 30 January-5 February 2015

- Building a Research Toolbox
- Citing Sources

Week 6 – 6-12 February 2015

- Evaluating Evidence
- Reviewing Online Education Options

Week 7 – 13-19 February 2015

- Reviewing Genealogy Database Software
- Digitizing Photos and Documents

Week 8 – 20-26 February 2015

- Conducting Collateral Research
- Reviewing Offline Education Options

Week 9 – 27 February-5 March 2015

- Conducting Cluster Research
- Organizing Research Materials – Documents and Photos

Week 10 – 6-12 March 2015

- Reviewing DNA Testing Options
- Organizing Research Materials – Digital

Week 11 – 13-19 March 2015

- Reviewing Social Media Options
- Building a Research Network

Week 12 – 20-26 March 2015

- Sharing Research
- Reviewing Research Travel Options

Week 13 – 27 March-3 April 2015

- Securing Research Data
- Reviewing the Journey



Gone But Not Forgotten - Joe Wilkins



Joe Howard Wilkins A resident of the French Quarter and Bywater communities in New Orleans, Joe was born March 2, 1938 in Hugo, OK to Mary Elizabeth and Lloyd Wilkins; grandson of Mary and Robert Rountree. After a life filled with family, friends, loved ones and flea market treasures Joe passed away Thursday, November 27, 2014. Joe graduated from Hugo High School. He was Class President, a member of the school band and the Thespian Society. He also founded and managed The Rose Hill Plantation Society in Hugo. Joe began his career in Fashion Merchandising in Dallas, and later became Director and Manager of Display for Neiman Marcus, working in both Atlanta and Houston for many years, then moved to New York to work at Christie's Auction House. Joe's final move was to New Orleans as Display Manager

for D.H. Holmes, and where he made his home for the next 25 years. Joe also managed the restoration of 2 Historic Homes in The Vieux Carre. Joe's lifelong passion was family history and genealogy and the preservation of family heirlooms. He was a big brother to his many cousins and a constant companion to aunts, uncles, and grandparents. For the past 20 years Joe worked exclusively for one of his closest cousins, friend, and "little sister", Nina C. Tyler. Joe is survived by his brother Robert Wilkins, cousins Nina Tyler, Gail Campbell, Mark Rountree, Nancye Rountree Segers, Richard, Vince, and Rick Rountree, Barbara Patrick, Tamara Cameron as well as his dear friend, companion, and caregiver Paxton Brinkley. The family wishes to thank Paxton for his love for and dedication to Joe. During his illness Joe was visited by many friends and relatives from around the country. Joe was everyone's favorite person. A celebration of Joe's life will be held in the near future. No services are planned. Joe was preceded in death by his parents and aunt and uncle Robert and Miller Rountree Hamilton.

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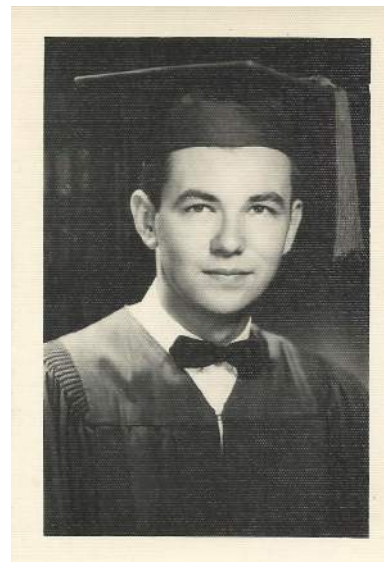
We'll Miss You Joe! - RIP

Joe Wilkins has been a contributor to the Choctaw County Genealogical Society for many years.

Joe has sent us boxes filled with school year books, old phone books, newspapers, newspaper clippings, photographs and other items pertaining to Choctaw County.

CCGS can not express how very appreciative we are of all the donations Joe has made.

The Joe Wilkins collection is available in our research library ensuring his selfless sharing will educate many generations to come.



Joe Wilkins

Hugo High School Graduate - 1956

Choctaw County Recollections



From the scrapbook of Joe Wilkins:
Robert 'Bob' Lloyd Wilkins, b. 01 Nov 1936 in
Hugo, son of George Lloyd &
Mary Elizabeth Rountree Wilkins



Vice-President Norm Pence & President
Donna Head scanning scrapbooks with
our new ScanSnap SV600 Scanner.



Richard and Margaret Beard

Happy Anniversary



HARVESTING THEIR first lemon crop are youngsters at the Eugene Field school, left to right, Carla Askew, Sherri Fountain, Gem Percival, Gary Redwine and Fred Moore. Paul Coggins jr. is at right; and, in background, Mrs. Ida Horton, second-grade teacher and, Bill Moore, school

principal. The Ponderosa tree was planted two years ago in Mrs. Horton's secondgrade class-room. The youngsters moved on to other grades but maintained an eager interest in watching the plant grow, as have other students at the Hugo school.

HUGO, OKLAHOMA, THURSDAY, MAY 24, 1956



Miss Martha Russell, R.N.

Two Hugo Nurses To Be Capped in Sunday Ceremony

Due to be graduated Sunday from Mercy School of Nursing in Oklahoma City are two Hugo girls, Miss Martha Russell and Miss Seldra Whaley. Miss Russell is a daughter of Mrs. Roy Russell and the late Mr. Russell, 303 East Bluff. Miss Whaley's parents are Mr. and Mrs. V. V. Whaley, 603 North F Street, Hugo.

The graduation ceremonies will be held in Sacred Heart church, the Rev. Thomas W. Donnell being the guest speaker. Later a reception will be held at Mt. St. Mary's school for friends and relatives of the newly-capped nurses. These will include Mrs. Russell and two of her sons, Bobby and Roy, and Miss Laura Russell, sister of the late Mr. Russell, all of Hugo.

Both girls are graduates of Hugo High school in the class of 1953. They entered the Mercy school the following August. Both have been members of the Oklahoma Student Nurses Association, Student Faculty Association, Mercy Mirror and Mercy Madcaps. Miss Whaley also was a member of the Speakers Bureau of Recruitment Project.



Miss Seldra Whaley, R.N.

Mrs. Frederick Is Honored for Years of Teaching

Forty years spent in "the little red school houses" of the Southwest, as well as the preparation years of her life were touched on when Ft. Towson residents honored a retiring teacher, Mrs. Fannie Frederick, Friday night at a party in the school gymnasium.

Mrs. Frederick, member of the Ft. Towson school faculty since 1945, has taught 30 of those 40 years in Choctaw county.

Many friends, former students and relatives of the veteran teacher attended the event.

Born in Brenham, Tex., Mrs. Frederick first came to Oklahoma in 1911 with her husband, the late Oscar Frederick. Her education included attendance at Paris Junior College, Paris, Tex., and other college work was done at Brenham, Denton, the University of Texas and Texas Christian University and Southeastern State College, Durant.

Mrs. Frederick has taught mathematics and history in both the elementary and high school grades in Ft. Towson.

Two years ago she was named Choctaw county's teacher of the year and was honored as such at the Oklahoma State Fair in Oklahoma City.

Lions President



Houston Ward was elected president of the Lions club at their luncheon today. Mr. Ward came to Hugo as county agent in August, 1941, and has held that position since that time.

He came to Hugo from Sallisaw, where he was a member of the Lions club, in October, 1938, and was elected president of the club in 1941, but only served at one luncheon before being transferred to Choctaw county as agent.

These clippings and photographs are from some of the many scrapbooks that have been donated to CCGS.

These scrapbooks and many other items are available to view in our Research Library located at 703 E.

Jackson Street, Hugo, OK

We would love for you to come and visit!



Lt. Col. Maurice Nash

Hugo Officer Named Chief Of Plans, Operations At Ft. Polk

FORT POLK, La. — Lieutenant Colonel Maurice Nash has been assigned here as chief of the plans and operations division, training section. Colonel Nash returned in November from Ethiopia where he was an advisor to the Ethi-

opian 8th Infantry Brigade from October 21, 1965, to October, 1966.

His decorations include the Army Commendation Medal and the Air Medal.

Colonel Nash is the son of Mrs. Homer Nash, 602 E. Duke St., Hugo, Okla., and a 1943 graduate of Hugo High School.

He lives with his wife, Myrona, and two sons, Damon and Daryl, at 15 State St., DeRidder.

Dr. Fuquay Named To Medical Post With Mayo Clinic

Dr. Maurice Fuquay, son of Mrs. Flora Fuquay, Hugo, has been accepted for a position at the Mayo Clinic at Rochester, Minnesota beginning in October, 1953, according to word received by his mother.



Dr. Maurice Fuquay

Dr. Fuquay, who attended high school in Hugo, and later graduated from the University of Oklahoma medical school at Oklahoma City, received a three-year appointment to Mayo Clinic.

He is currently serving an internship at the Medical College Hospital in Richmond, Va.

He is a veteran of World War II, serving in the Europe Theater. Following his graduation from the OU school of medicine, Dr. Fuquay served a brief internship at the Baptist Hospital at Nangum, Oklahoma.

Dr. Fuquay Named To Surgery Staff Of Mayo Clinic

Dr. Maurice Fuquay, only son of Mrs. Flora Fuquay, of Hugo, has accepted a three-year appointment on the surgery staff of Mayo Brothers clinic in Rochester, Minn.

Doctor Fuquay is a graduate of Hugo High school and of the school of medicine of the University of Oklahoma. He will complete his year's internship at the Hospital of Virginia in Richmond, Va., next June, after which he will go to Rochester.

Chosen President



MISS FANNIE GLENN

Miss Fannie Glenn, member of the faculty of Hugo high school, was chosen president of the district teachers educational association at their meeting in Durant Friday. Miss Glenn succeeds Herbert Flowers of Haworth.

Miss Glenn received her Masters Degree from the University of Oklahoma, with a major in History.

She is head of the history department of Hugo high school.

Past president of the Twentieth Century club; past president of the Shakespeare club; Past Matron of the Eastern Star; served as District Deputy, District No. 6 of the Eastern Star during the time Mrs. Ida M. Weir was Grand Matron of the state of Oklahoma.

She is present vice president of Chapter DA, P. E. O., teacher of a Bible class in the First Methodist church and a member of the Women's Society of Christian Service.

The News joins the friends, and that includes everybody, in extending congratulations to Miss Glenn on being selected to head the group for which she has been a faithful worker and counselor for many years.

Choctaw County Recollections

THE SATURDAY SUN, HUGO, OKLAHOMA, MARCH 20, 1948

Campbell-Loftin Wedding Vows Exchanged Sunday

Marriage of Miss Jean Campbell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Campbell, and Lee Loftin Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Loftin, was a double ring ceremony solemnized at First Methodist church Sunday morning, April 18, by the Rev. Littleton Fowler, pastor.

The couple was attended by Miss Eunice Campbell, sister of the bride, and Gene Nesbit. Miss Campbell wore a spring suit of red, with navy accessories and a corsage of white carnations.

The bride was married in a baby blue linen suit, with which she wore navy accessories and an orchid corsage.

Orchid and white stock in baskets decorated the church chancel for the occasion. An arrangement of carnations in two tones was on the piano. As the couple approached the altar Mrs. J. M. Lee, church organist, played the wedding march.

On a wedding trip to Hot Springs, Ark., Mrs. Loftin wore a Kelly green suit with brown accessories. They will make their home at 801 North Second street.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Loftin are graduates of Hugo High school and are members of well-known Hugo families. He is a member of the staff of E. M. DeWeese and Company, and Mrs. Loftin is connected with the City Drug store.



Mrs. John D. Baldwin Henson Photo

Mrs. John D. Baldwin, before her marriage at the Church of Christ in Hugo Monday night, March 15, was Miss Gladys O'Neal, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George T. O'Neal. Mr. Baldwin is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Payte Baldwin, of Cordell.

The vows were exchanged with Joe Dan Tipps, minister of the Church of Christ at Childress, Texas, officiating.

Foy O'Neal, LeRoy O'Neal, Byron Bedwell, and Jack Webb, of Clarksville, Ark., sang "O, Promise Me," the bride's sister, Mrs. James Ferguson, of Antlers, singing "I Love You Truly." The bride was given in marriage by her father.

Mrs. Foy O'Neal was matron of honor, bridesmaids being Miss

Virginia Spears, Miss Jo Kelley, and Miss Peggy O'Neal. The four attendants were dressed similarly and carried blue carnations.

The bride wore a dress of white satin fashioned with a lace yoke, full skirt and fitted bodice. Lace and lilies of the valley trimmed the scalloped hemline of the skirt. Her veil of illusion was attached to a tiara of lilies of the valley and she carried a bouquet of white roses.

Jesse Van Hoosier, Oklahoma City, was best man and ushers included Bill Handy, El Paso, Texas; Bill Brown, Fort Smith, Ark., and Dan Crawford and Joe Baldwin, Cordell. Jack Baldwin, Cordell, lighted the candles.

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Political Announcements

The following have announced their candidacy for office, subject to the Democratic Primary Election July 1, 1958.

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For County Clerk—
S. E. (BILL) MARSHALL
(Re-election)

For Sheriff—
ED THORNTON
BIRD COLLINS

For County Commissioner—
(District 2)
HOWARD RORIE
SI (S. C.) WILLIAMS

For County Commissioner—
(District 3)
BERT SWINK

For Representative—
LUCIEN C. SPEAR

For Court Clerk—
HELEN WARREN

For County Superintendent—
EUGENE NASH

JUSTICE OF PEACE, Place 1, Hugo
BERT BUSH

For Constable, Everidge Township—
JAMES E. SMITH

Infant Buried

Funeral services for Lloyd Haskell Winfrey Jr., infant son of Pvt. and Mrs. Lloyd Winfrey, of Hugo, were conducted at 2 p.m. Monday by the Rev. Carl Bunch, pastor of the Church of the Nazarene at the church. Burial in Mount Olivet cemetery was in charge of Coffey Funeral home. Born at Hugo hospital January 4, the baby died January 7. In addition to the parents, he is survived by the grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Haynes and Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Winfrey, of Hugo, and several uncles and aunts.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Lane and son, Bobby Frank, returned to their home in Houston Tuesday after spending several days in Hugo.

H. S. Baker, who was stricken with a heart attack last Tuesday, was carried to St. Joseph Hospital in Paris, Texas, last night. He was reported resting easier after arrival at the hospital.

JARY 29, 1948

Miss Mary Lue Mathis And James Beesley To Be Married

Announcement of the engagement and approaching marriage


of Miss Mary Lue Mathis, of Hugo, and James C. Beesley, of Mulhall and Hugo, was made this week by Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Bugg, parents of Miss Mathis. The wedding date is February 21.

Miss Mathis, who is a granddaughter of Mrs. Ethel Carter, of Hugo, is a graduate of Hugo High school and has been a Southwestern Bell Telephone company employe for the last several years.

Choctaw County Recollections

Ft. Towson School 'Memories of the Tigers' - 1948

			FRED R. NICKLES Senior Sponsor
			FRANK WELLS Sr. Pres., Basketball, Baseball, 4-H Club
			JUNE WILSON Sr. Sec. Honor Roll
			AGNES GASWAY Honor Roll, Asst. Ed.
			MARY BURCHFIELD Staff, Honor Roll, Glee Club
			CHARLES COLLINS Basketball, Baseball, 4-H Club, Honor Roll
			BERNICE HUTCHINGS Glee Club
			BILLY MELCHER Honor Roll
			JEAN BALL Glee Club
			DORIS HEDDLESTON
			CLASSYE SALES Honor Roll, Glee Club
			ROY VOYLES President of 4-H Club, Vice Pres. of Sr. Class, Editor-in-chief
			JAMES BRYANT Basketball, Asst. Coach Senior King
			VAY SONGER Staff, Senior Queen, Honor Roll, Glee Club
			MARY LOU DRAPER
			HELEN REDING Basketball
			CHARLES COKER Basketball, Baseball
			RICHARD STORY 4-H Club, Baseball
			QUILLIE CLIFTON Baseball, Basketball
			DOROTHY FENNELL Glee Club
			DORCIE FENNELL Glee Club

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Choctaw County Recollections

6TH GRADE EUGENE FIELD 1950 HUGO, OKLAHOMA



BACK	CYTHIA MITCHELL	JUNE SWANK	KAREN KAY MILLER	ALMA SIPES CHUMLEY	MARY BONKS	VERA PAUL DOLMAR	EUGENE MORRIS	JOE WILKINS	JACKIE MARTIN	CALVIN HOPKINS	MICHAELIS
2ND	DOIS JEAN ROBINSON	IMogene CHUMLEY	Shoni BARNETT	BOBBIE JOE DANIELS	JOE PUFFIN	JACKIE GILMORE	NON PRATER	WYATT JONES	BARBARA ANN GRANT	JANE CORDELL	JACKLYN FERGUSON
1st	OSCAR STEWART	KENNETH WATKINS	RONALD LEE MATTHEWS	RICHARD JENNINGS	RONNE ALLEN	JOHNNY GARLAND	JAMES SPEER	DON WELLS	RONALD MARTIN	DAVE	



RONALD LEE MATTHEWS NON CALDWELL JOE WILKINS BILLY CUMMINGS DON SHORT JOHNNY GARNER (FRONT)
 HUGO HIGH SCHOOL 1955 TEACHER FROM IRAN



Arnold and Katie Babcock

Babcocks Look Back: 64 Years Together

Arnold Edward Babcock says looking back on life brings one big event to mind: His marriage to Katie.

But, he says, it took three long years to get it done.

Arnold said the first time he asked Katie's father for her hand in marriage he pulled out a shotgun.

The second time he pulled out a shotgun.

For three years this went on, they both smiled.

Then one day, three years after that first encounter, Katie's father went to town and the couple eloped.

They were married on Nov. 30, 1929 ... sixty-four years ago.

Born May 2, 1904, in Donavon, Mo., Mr. Babcock says his family came to Hugo in 1911.

When he and Katie were married, the nation was just entering the Great Depression.

"Oh," he says, "those times were hard. But we always had a cow, a few hens and a pig or two."

He says the family was assured of having milk, eggs and bacon.

"I can still see that farm," he says today. "We raised vegetables of every variety and Katie could really put them together. It was truly family living and the enjoyment of my children kept us going."

Arnold and Katie have one son, three daughters, nine grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

He farmed, worked as a night watchman, mowed lawns and even cut firewood up to the age of 80.

Arnold still enjoys being active in his church. He attends whenever he can.

Arnold is active in activities at the nursing home. He enjoys visiting with everyone.

And "most of all," he says, "my family is still close to me."

He goes home with them for frequent visits to spend the day.

He says life has been good to him. "It still is," he smiles.

Two Hurt When Pickup Hits the J. A. Parnell Car

Two persons were injured, neither seriously, late Thursday when a pickup truck crashed into the rear of an automobile three miles east of Hugo on Highway 70.

Mrs. J. A. Parnell, who lives east of Hugo, was driving a 1954 Ford sedan, which was struck by a 1957 Chevrolet truck owned by the Oklahoma Drug Sales Company, Lawton. It was loaded with sundries and driven by Billy Bob Maddox, 24, Route 3, Denison, Tex.

Highway Patrol Trooper Edgar Vandergriff said both vehicles were traveling west. He quoted Maddox as saying he "looked away" and, when he returned his gaze to the road, it was too late to go around the Parnell car.

Maddox was in Memorial hospital with fractured ribs. Neither Mr. nor Mrs. Parnell was detained at the hospital, where they were taken for examination. She had minor injuries.

The pickup truck traveled 651 feet after the impact and came to rest in a bar ditch after jumping a culvert. Damages to the truck were estimated between \$700 and \$800. At least \$500 damages were estimated done the Parnell car, which traveled about 700 feet after the impact.

Maddox received a summons charging him with reckless driving.

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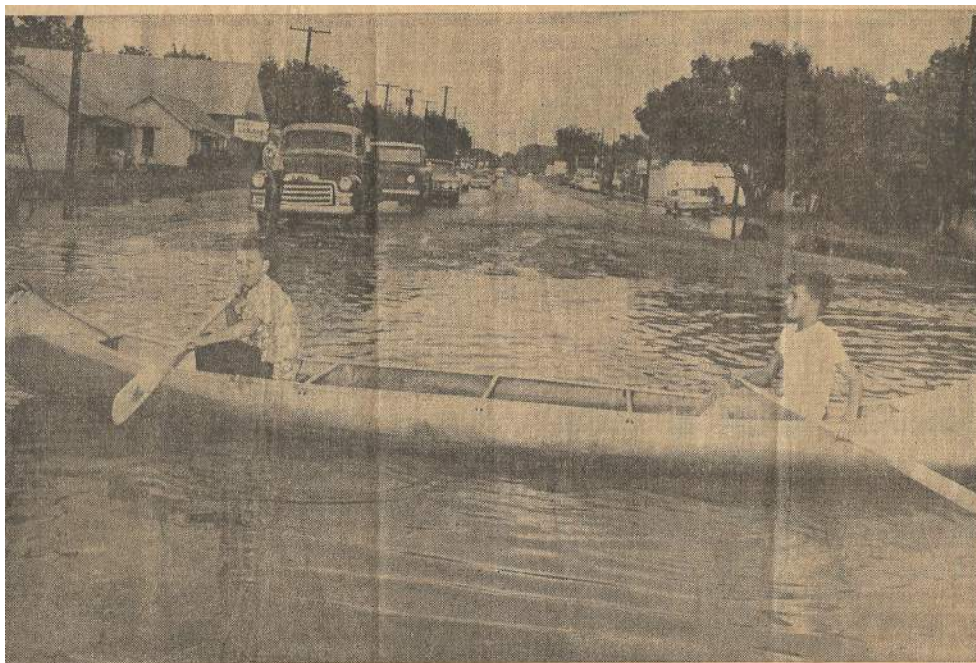


BEAUTIFUL EUFAULA LAKE as seen from equally beautiful Arrowhead Lodge is admired by Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Short who live four miles west of Hugo. Mr. and Mrs. Short spent the weekend at the lodge as guests of Hugo retail stores who recently sponsored a "second honeymoon" contest in connection with a George Washington sale promotion.

"We didn't know there was anything this pretty in the whole country," Mr. Short said. Mrs. Short added that she hoped Hugo stores would "do this again" so other people in this area might enjoy such a weekend. The Shorts agreed it was the nicest trip they ever had.

Mac - 8th 1967

(Staff Photo)



HOW MANY POLICEMEN do you know who, at one time or another in their careers, had to stop traffic on main street to allow a canoe to cross an intersection? It happened on West Main street in Hugo Saturday afternoon after heavy rains produced flooding conditions. Jack Stamper, Hugo Daily News publisher, just happened to be on hand

with his camera when coincidentally his 13-year-old son, Stan (in rear seat of canoe) and friend Danny Bloodworth paddled across the thoroughfare. Ralph Bowlin held up cars while the adventuresome pair scooted across. A tipsy driver leaned out the window to say, "I promise to never take another drink as long as I live."

*If you have
clippings,
photographs, etc.
you would like to
see featured in our*

*Choctaw County
Recollections, scan*

*and email them to
choctawcountygen*

soc@live.com or

mail them to us at

703 E. Jackson

Street, Hugo, OK

74743

Research Library Visitors



Research Library

The Choctaw County Genealogical Society maintains a Research Library in the Heritage Room of the Donald W. Reynolds Library at 703 E. Jackson Street, Hugo, Oklahoma. The Heritage Room is available during library hours. We do ask that you sign in at the library front desk as well as sign our guestbook located on the Society desk. No food or drink is allowed.

Children under the age of 12 who enter the Heritage room must be under constant supervision of an adult. Children are not allowed to handle any genealogical materials or equipment in the Heritage room. Children are required to be respectful of other researchers by not being loud or otherwise disruptive. Any child being loud, using Heritage room research materials or equipment, or disruptive in any way will be asked to leave the Heritage room.

Library Hours

Monday, Tuesday & Thursday	9am - 7pm
Wednesday & Friday	9am - 6pm
Saturday	9am - 2pm
Sunday	Closed

October

Visitor - Visitor Location - Names Researching

Betty Tom, Hugo - Tom
 Melissa Folsom, Hugo - Priddy, Ussary
 Barbara Long, Bakersfield, CA - Coran, Fode, Randolph
 Rita & Homer Davis, Hugo - Adams, Bailey, Lucas
 Debra Usry, Paris, TX - Coston, Fields, Usry/Ussery
 Sandi Johnson, Hugo - not listed
 Carl Fora, Hugo - not listed
 Debi Clay, Hugo - West, Inge, Gardner, Murphy
 Chey Momas, Paris, TX - Hernby, Hendrix
 Debbie Cody, Ft. Towson - Easterwood
 Curtis Barr, Jr. and LaMecia Barr, Grant - Rucker
 Lizzie Wesley, Idabel - Wesley, Jesse
 T. J. McFarland, Hugo - not listed
 Vicki Leard, Valliant - not listed

November

Visitor - Visitor Location - Names Researching

David Damron, Hugo - Damron/Dameron
 Melissa Folsom, Hugo, - Ussery, Usray, Priddy
 Debra Usry, Paris, TX - Coston
 Donna Blagg, Sawyer - Robison
 Robert Birdsong - Birdsong
 Peggy Maeger, Ft. Towson - not listed

December

Visitor - Visitor Location - Names Researching

Donna Head, Hugo - DAR
 Cindy Burkhalter, Hugo - DAR
 Sherri Cheek, Bowsell - DAR
 Sydney Groat, Hugo - DAR
 April Makerney, Hugo - DAR
 Dorothy Clark, Merryville, LA - Clark, Courtney
 Lina Bell, Antlers - Clark, Courtney
 Martha Davis, Hugo - Davis, Wilaims
 Lorie Stevenson, Hugo - Sumner

Donations

In November, the Allen County Public Library donated \$20 to our new Adopt a Book Program.

In December, several CCGS members (Donna Head, Cindy Burkhalter, April Makerney & Sherri Cheek) went to Idabel for a DAR (Daughters of the American Revolution) meeting. While there, we visited the genealogy department of the Idabel library. We were very happy to discover that the McCurtain County Genealogical Society had copies of several past issues of the CCGS Newsletter that were lost to us. They were kind enough to let us make copies for our records free of charge.

The following newsletters have been recovered.

Oct 1996	Nov 2001
Jan 1997	Jun 2002, Summer
Jun 1997	Fall & Winter 2002
Feb 1998	Spring & Summer 2003
Nov 1998	Fall 2003
2 Jan 1999	Mar 2005
4 Jan 1999	May 2005
Aug 2000	1st Quarter, 2006
Mar 2001	Vol. 1, Issue 2, Apr 2006
Sep 2001	

New Member, Mr Gary Akin of Wichita Falls, TX was kind enough to donate \$500 to CCGS.



President Donna Head accepting a \$200 donation from Shane Spillman of Security First National Bank

Thank You



President Donna Head accepting a \$200 donation from Shane Spillman of the Lion's Club

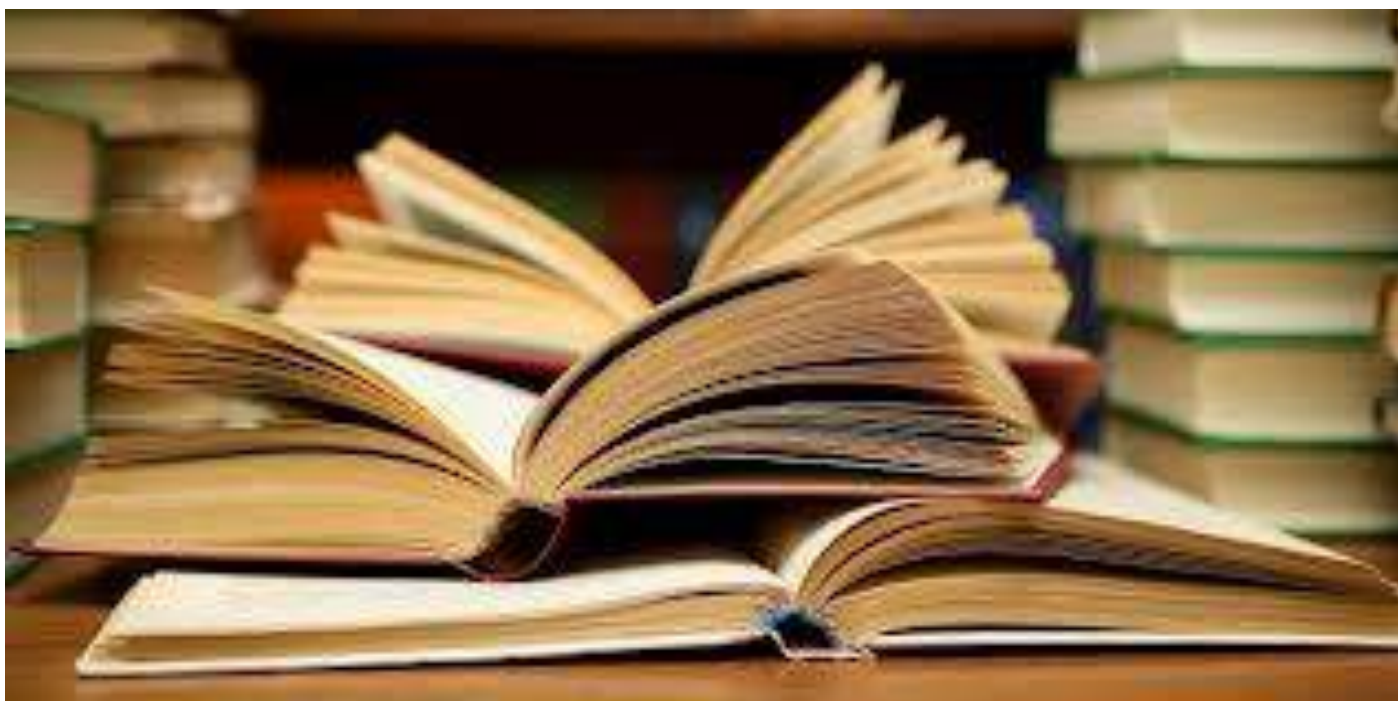
DONATIONS

Donations are always welcome and will be preserved in our research library.

Remember donations are tax-deductible.

[Click here](#) for our donation form.

CCGS Bookshelf



New on the bookshelf (bookshelf items received in the mail or purchased this quarter...

Greene County Historical & Genealogical Society Newsletter, Vol. 27 Issue 7, Sept-Oct 2014, Vol. 27 Issue 8, Nov 2014, Vol. 27 Issue 9, Dec 2014, Vol. 27 Issue 4, Winter 2014

Hopkins County Heritage, Vol. 31 #3 Sep 2014

TL&M Genealogy, Vol. XXII #2 2014

Muldrow Newsletter, Vol. 7 Issue 3 Nov 2014

The Arkansas Archivist, Sep 2014 & Oct 2014

St. Francis Co. Historical Society, Vol. 1 Issue 12 Oct 2014

Stirrin' the Pot, Vol. 4 Issue 9 Sept 2014

Robert Alexander Rountree Family Chart & Pictures (by Mr. Wilkins)

District of Columbia 1820 Census Index by Ronald Vern Jackson, Gary Ronald Teeples & David Schaefermeyer

GA 1850 Census Index by Ronald Vern Jackson, Gary Ronald Teeples & David Schaefermeyer

KY 1850 Census Index by Ronald Vern Jackson, Gary Ronald Teeples & David

Schaefermeyer

AL 1850 Census Index by Ronald Vern Jackson, Gary Ronald Teeples & David Schaefermeyer

AR 1850 Census Index by Ronald Vern Jackson, Gary Ronald Teeples & David Schaefermeyer

American Passenger Arrival Records by Michael Tepper

New and Improved How To Book For Genealogists, 8th Edition by The Everton Publishers, Inc.

Red River County, TX Deed Abstracts, Vol. 1, Republic of TX & State of Coahuila & TX, Abstracted by Joyce Martin Murray

Kiowa County Genealogical Society Newsletter, Vol. 21 #45, Nov 2014

The Chronicles of Oklahoma, Vol. XCII #3, Fall 2014

Mistletoe Leaves, Vol. 46 #1, Jan 2015

Biskinik, Dec 2014

50th Reunion Hugo High School Class of 1941

Hugo Rodeo & Homecoming Newspaper, 1994

Hugo, OK Community Birthday Calendar, 1953 & 1958

The Hugo Daily News (newspaper), Vol. XXIV #221, 7 Dec 1943 'Honoring Our Veterans'

The Daily Oklahoman, 21 Oct 1945 'History of WWII' compiled by The Associated Press

Hugo Daily News Centennial (newspaper), 25 Oct 2001 'Hugo's 100 year celebration begins'

Austin Genealogical Society Quarterly, Vol. 45, #1-4, Mar 2004-Dec 2004; Vol. 46, #1-4, Mar 2005-Dec 2005; Vol. 47, #1-3, Spring 2006-Winter 2006; Vol. 48, #1-4, Spring 2007-Winter 2007; Vol. 49, #2-4, Sep 2008-Dec 2008; Vol. 50, #1, Mar 2009; Vol. 52, #2-4, Summer 2011-Winter 2011; Vol. 53, #1, 2012, #4, 2012

Available in our research library (inventory)...

Ohio—cont'd

Tracking in Crawford Co., OH Newsletter, 1999-2001

The Ohio Genealogical Society Newsletter, 1999-2000

Northwest Ohio Quarterly, 2000-2001

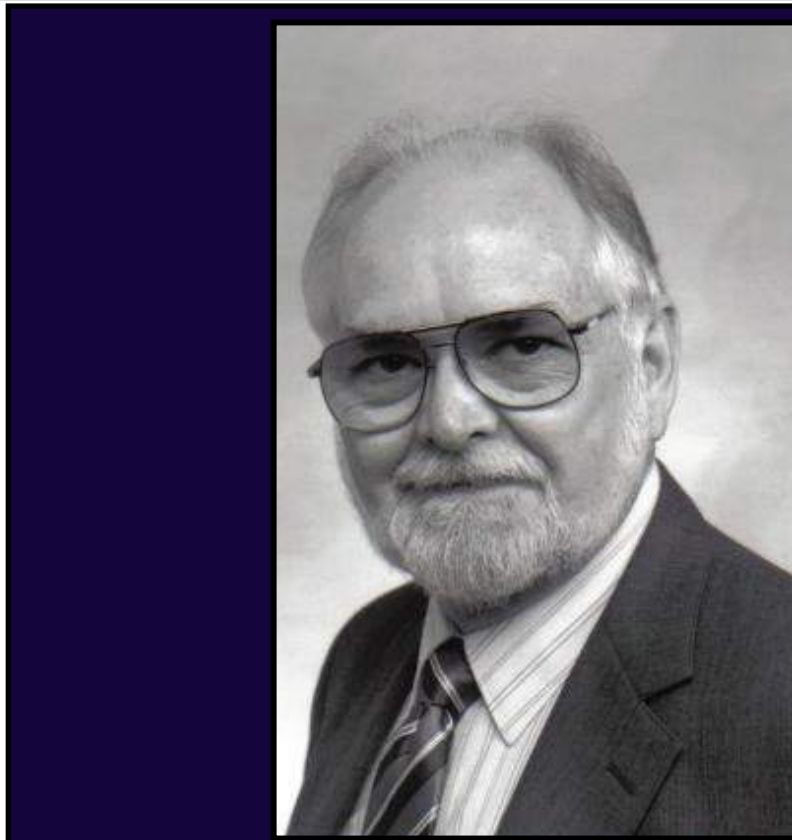
Oklahoma

1900 OK Soundex: surname Brandon

CCGS Bookshelf

- Harlow's Oklahoma History, 6th edition
The Fighting Men of Oklahoma
Daughters of 1812 Members & Their Ancestors
Oklahoma, The History of an American State by Ellen Sue Blakely
New Hope Cemetery, Leflore County, Oklahoma by Mack & Bess Stanley
Spiro Cemetery, Leflore County, Oklahoma
The Original Constitution of the State of Oklahoma
Durant, 1872-1990 by James C. Milligan, L. David Norris & Ann Vanmeter
Pushmataha County Cemeteries, Old & New, 2nd Edition
Hochatown & All Around
100 Years of Valliant Memories, 1902-2002
2014 Valliant Alumni Association Reunion Calendar
The University of Oklahoma, A History by David W. Levy, Foreward by David L. Boren
One Family: One Century
Historical Atlas of Oklahoma by John W. Morris & Edwin C. McReynolds
Leflore County, Oklahoma Cemeteries: The Shady Point Area, Vol. II Jun3 1979
Bryan County, Oklahoma Cemeteries, Vol. IV
The LeFlore County Heritage 2013, Vol. 33 # 1-4
An Annotated Guide to The Chronicles of Oklahoma by Carol Welsh
Oklahoma, A History by H. Wayne Morgan & Anne Hodges Morgan
Christmas in Oklahoma by Linda Kennedy Rosser
Oklahoma Elections: Statehood to Present, Vol. II Jan 1994
Coal County History, Vol. I
The Chronicles of Oklahoma Cumulative Index: 1921-1959, Vols. 1-37
The Chronicles of Oklahoma Cumulative Index: 1960-1979, Vols. 38-57
The Chronicles of Oklahoma Cumulative Index: 1980-1999, Vols. 58-77
Heart of the Promised Land, Oklahoma County
Oklahoma Cemeteries by Barbara Pierce & Brian Basore
McCurtain County: A Pictorial History, Vol. II
Here We Rest, Historic Cemeteries of Oklahoma by Kent Ruth & Jim Argo
Ragtown: A History of the Greater Healdton-Hewitt Oil Field by Kenny A. Franks
Arkoma, OK: Back Then & Now by R. L. Sosebeee
Small Towns, Ghost Memories of Oklahoma
The Rush Begins: A History of the Red Ford, Cleveland & Glenn Pool Oil Fields by Kenny A. Franks
Ghost Towns of Oklahoma by John W. Morris
The Annals of Red Oak, Latimer County, Oklahoma
Leflore County, Oklahoma Cemeteries: The Wisser Area, Vol. I
Oklahoma's Historical Edition: Diamond Jubilee, 1907-1982
Pushmataha County, The Early Years by Dorothy Arnote West
Mead Oklahoma, The People and the School - 1995 by Darrell Gentry & James Hitchcock
Oklahoma: Confederate Pension Applications, 1861-1865
1975 Directory of Oklahoma
1977 Directory of Oklahoma
Guide to the Historical Records of Oklahoma by Bradford Koplowitz
The WPA Oklahoma Slave Narratives by T. Lindsay Baker & Julie P. Baker
Ship of State on a Sea of Oil by Henry F. Wade
A History of Atoka County by William Henry Underwood
The Kiamicki Journal: A Voice in the Wilderness (Rattan, OK), 1995-2004
Prairie Lore Newsletter (SWO Historical Society), Vols. 2 & 3
United Daughters of the Confederacy Oklahoma Division, Vol. 2 #1, Dec 2007
Oklahoma Yesterday, Oklahoma Today
Muldrow, Oklahoma Newsletter, 2008-2010, 2012-2014
Kiowa County Genealogical Society Newsletter, 1995, 2006-2014
Oklahoma Genealogical Society Quarterly, 1978-1979, 1991, 1999
Oklahoma Genealogical Society Special Publication #6
Oklahoma Pontotoc County Quarterly, Vol. 17-19
Intikba, The McCurtain County Genealogical Society Newsletter, 1988, 1991-1993, 1996-2009
Tom News, Tom Baptist Church, Tom, OK Newsletter, 1999, 2001-2004
The Kiamichian, Kiamichi County Genealogy Society (Broken Bow, OK) Newsletter, 1998-2014
Little Dixie News, Carter County, Oklahoma Newsletter, 1995-2003
The Leflore County Heritage Newsletter, 1995-1997, 1999-2003, 2006-2013
TGS Newsletter (Tulsa Genealogical Society), May 2001
Bryan County Heritage Quarterly, 1985, 1992, 1995, 1997-1998, 2005-2006
The War Chief, Oklahoma County, Oklahoma Newsletter, 2000-2001, 2003-2010
CGS Newsletter, Cushing Genealogical Society, Cushing, Payne County, Oklahoma, 1997-2007
Mistletoe Leaves, Oklahoma Historical Society Newsletter, 1990, 1993-1997, 2001-2014
Logan County Genealogical Society Newsletter, Vol. XXXIII #1
Oklahoma Educator, State Department of Education
Roots & Branches, Vol. 25 #4, 2002
Turning the Lights On in Southwest Oklahoma, 1940-2010 by Herb Matlock
Index to Brides of Pushmataha County, Oklahoma, 1907-1994 compiled by Mrs. Kay Brown Black

Veteran Spotlight



Bill Ryan Baker

Dr. Bill Ryan Baker passed away on September 11, 2014. Bill, born in Denton TX on January 26, 1930, grew up on a farm in Oklahoma, the son of school teachers. He received his dental degree from Baylor University, his masters from Indiana and his Master of Public Health from the University of Houston. After twenty years in the Air Force, he retired as a Colonel and taught dentistry at the University of Texas at San Antonio Health Science Center Dental School for the next twenty four years.

Bill was predeceased by his parents, Callie and Bailey Baker and his sons; Bill Ryan Jr. and John Thomas Baker.

He is survived by his wife and soul mate Stella DeVoise of Boerne; His daughters, Lela Buckley and Nancy Frescas (Fernando), both of San Antonio, Sabrina Porter (Joel) of Cedar Hill TX, Charla Sartain (Dennis) of Baton Rouge LA, and son Jason Schwab (Karen) of Boerne TX. Known as "Papa" to his grandchildren, Laura Samuelsen (Micah), Katherine Keener (Garret), Ryan Buckley, Rachel Porter, Mason Porter, Caleb Porter, Ellis Sartain, Brady Sartain, Sydney Schwab, Andrew Frescas and Elise Frescas as well as numerous cousins and friends.

The Reverend Fred Brown will officiate at the graveside service with full military honors to be held at 11 am on Saturday, September 27, 2014 at the Boerne Cemetery in Boerne TX.

A light lunch will follow at Ye Kendall Inn in Boerne. Please donate in honor of the memory of Dr. Bill Ryan Baker to The Dr. Bill Ryan Baker Library at the Ebby House of Juliette Fowler Communities, 1234 Abrams Rd., Dallas, TX 75214 or the charity of your choice.

Vaughan Funeral Home Website, 9/20/2014

Annual Elections Held

(Continued from page 1)

CCGS annual elections for the 2015 year were held on December 1st.

The offices up for election / re-election were as follows...

Vice-President
Corresponding Secretary*
Treasurer
Newsletter Editor
Society Librarian*
News Reporter *

* new offices per new bylaws. New bylaws have been emailed out to all current members.

Norm Pence was re-elected as Vice-President for a second term.

Sydney Groat was elected to the new office of Corresponding Secretary.

Cindy Burkhalter was re-elected as Treasurer for a second term.

April Makerney was re-elected as Newsletter Editor for a second term.

Cindy Burkhalter was elected to the new office of Society Librarian.

Donna Head was elected to the new office of News Reporter.

Congratulations to all the Officers, may the next two years be rewarding and prosperous!

The offices that will be up for re-election in December 2015 for the 2016 year are...

President
Recording Secretary*
Webmaster
Parliamentarian*
Program Director*
Membership Director*

John Brewer has volunteered to fill the offices of Recording Secretary & Parliamentarian for 2015.

The new offices of Membership Director and Program Director are currently unfilled. If you would like to volunteer for one of these offices, please contact us at choctawcountyokgensoc@live.com

President, Donna Head, will perform the tasks of these offices (interim) until they are filled.



Choctaw County Government

Choctaw County

Assessor - Rhonda Cahill

Clerk - Emily VanWorth

County Commissioners

County Barn #1 - Ronnie Thompson

County Bard # 2 - Randy Robertson

County Barn # 3 - Roger Vandever

Choctaw County Industrial Authority - David Hinkle

Choctaw County Memorial Hospital - Marcia O'Connor

Choctaw County Ambulance Authority - Mike Bryant

County Election Board - Cathy Davidson

Court Clerk - Laura Sumner

District Attorney - Mark Matloff

Economic Development - David Rawls

Emergency Management - Pat Collins

OSU Extension Office - Monty Montague

Sheriff - Terry Park

Treasurer - Arlene Minchey

City of Hugo

Mayor - Stan Payne

Hugo Area Chamber - Jean Browning & Judy Wilson

City Council

Councilman

1st Ward - Larry Rudrow

2nd Ward - Francine Morris

3rd Ward - Stan Payne

4th Ward - Bart Tedder

City Manager - Jeff Rabon

City Clerk - Leah Savage

City Treasurer - Wanda Ward

Water Department - Robin Sober

Code Enforcement - Ricky Britt & Kenneth Winship

Emergency Management - Joe Webb

Police - John Paul Bozeman

City Court Clerk - Dana Hampton

Streets Department - Dennis Moffitt

Town of Boswell

Mayor - Buck Eastwood

Town of Ft. Towson

Mayor - Rodney Wren

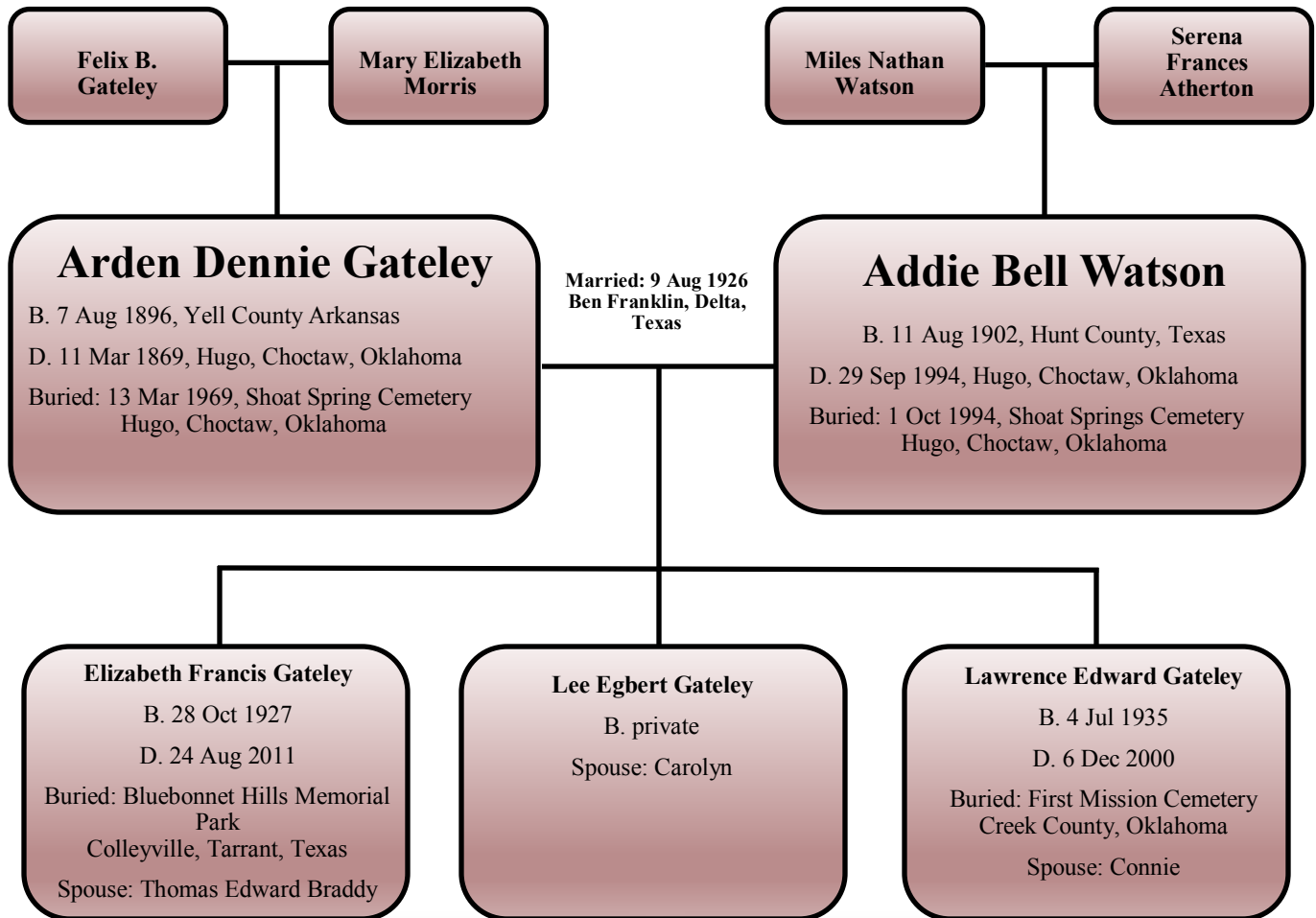
Town of Sawyer

Mayor - Tom Mandrell

Town of Soper

Mayor - Randy Springfield

Featured Family - Gateley



Arden Dennie Gateley



Addie Bell (Watson) Gateley

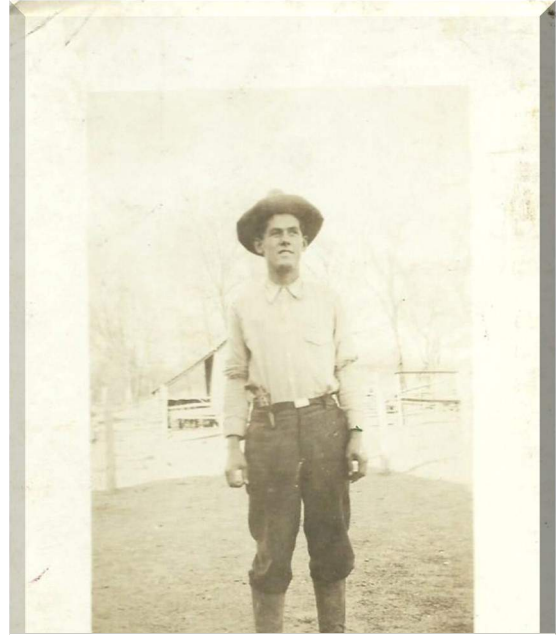
Featured Family - Gateley

There is debate about whether the Gateley, Gate-ly, Gatley name originated in England or Ireland. There is less debate about the first three Gate-ley's in the United States. They came from Ire-land. County Rosecommon in Ireland is home to many Gateleys.

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County Roscommon Sign Post

There is no debate about the first Gateley's who came to Choctaw County, Oklahoma. They were Felix B. Gateley and his wife, Mary Elizabeth (Morris). They arrived in 1927. Two of their children settled here as well. Their daughter, Martha Mable Baze Parker still has family living in this area. Their son, Arden Dennie Gateley and his wife, Addie Bell (Watson) and daughter, El-zibeth Frances Gateley came to the Hugo area in 1930.



Arden went by the name of Dennie.
Dennie was a Word War I Veteran.



Felix B. Gateley and his
three sons...
Dennie, Homer, & Calvin Ray
(Dennie is in his WWI
uniform)

Featured Family - Gateley

Serial No. Ord #492 Registration No. 34

1 Name in full Arden Dennie Gateley (Last name) 21 (First name)

2 Home address Diesel Tax Route 2 (City or town) (State)

3 Date of birth August 7 1896 (Year) (Month) (Day)

4 Where were you born? Missouri (State)

5 I am A native of the United States.
 A naturalized citizen.
 A descendant of a naturalized citizen.
 A descendant of a foreign-born citizen.

6 If not a citizen, of what Nation are you a citizen or subject? X

7 Father's birthplace Ill. Arkansas (City or town) (State)

8 Name of employer W.M. Shannon (City or town) (State)

9 Name of nearest relative F.B. Gateley (City or town) (State)

10 Race - White, Negro, Indian, or Oriental White

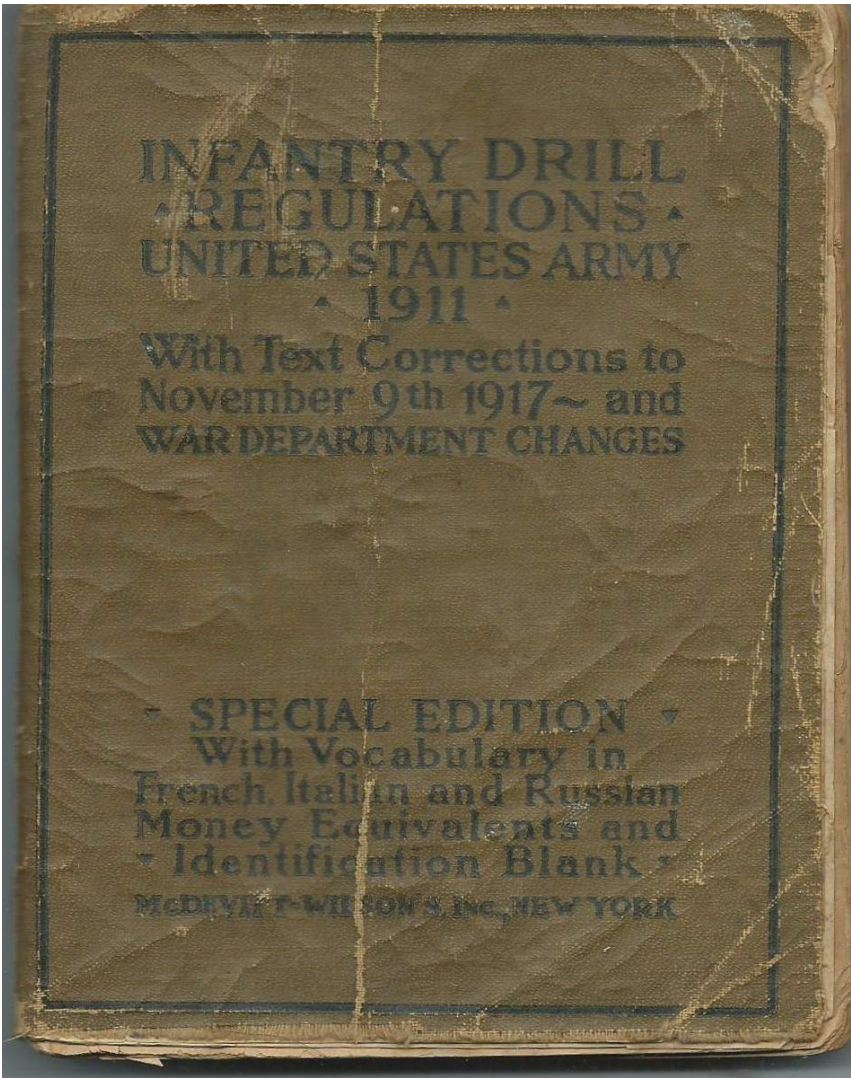
I affirm that I have verified above answers and that they are true.

Arden Dennie Gateley
 (Signature of Mark of Registrant.)

P.M.G.O.
 Form 1 (Rev. 2-1918)

REGISTRATION CARD. 3-2719

Arden Dennie Gateley's
 World War I
 Registration Card



Front Cover & Pages
 from Dennie's
 World War I
 Regulation's Manual

REGISTRATION CARD

1 White Negro Indian Oriental

2 Color of eyes Blue Color of hair Black

3 Has person lost arm, leg, hand, eye, or is he palpably physically disabled (specify)? no

I certify that my answers are true; that the person registered has read his own answers; that I have witnessed his signature, and that all of his answers of which I have knowledge, are true, except as follows:

Hemphrey
 (Signature of Registrar.)

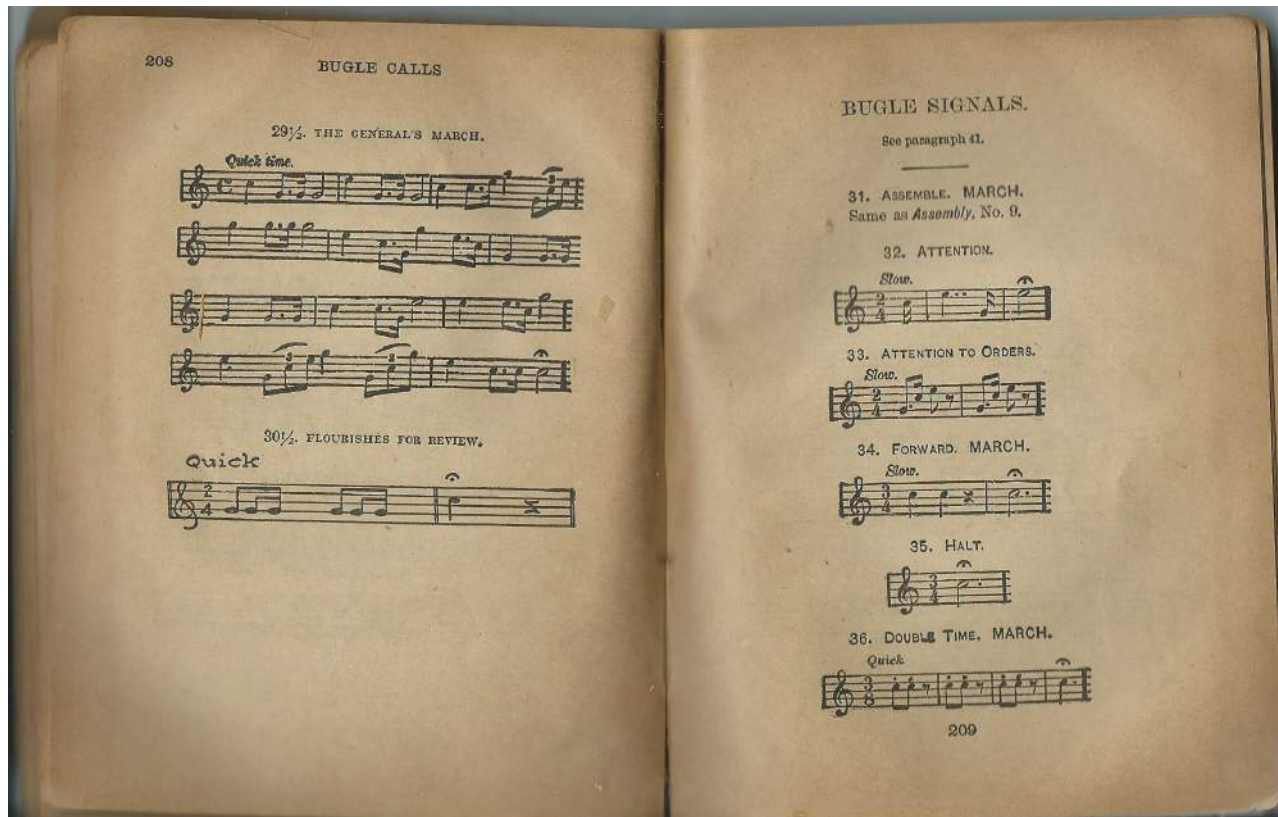
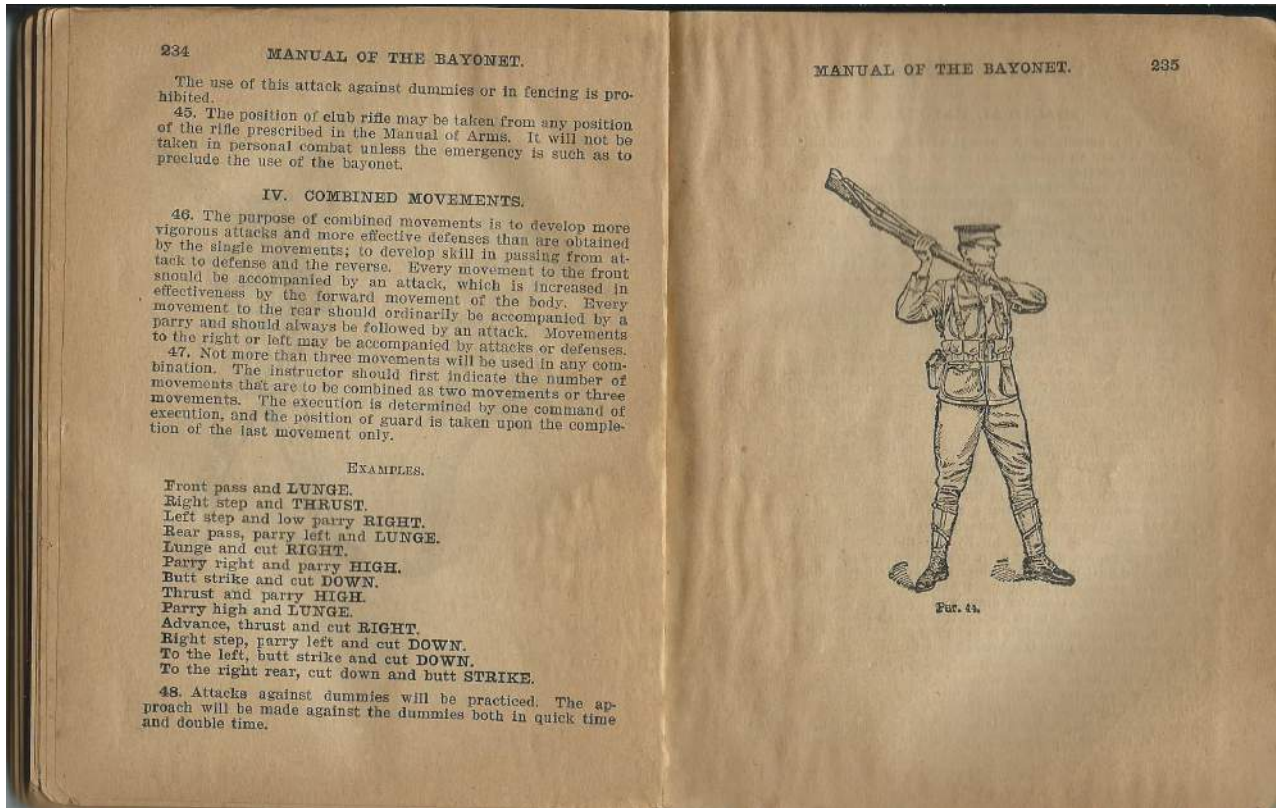
June 5 1918
 (Date of Registration.)

LOCAL BOARD NO. 1
 COUNTY OF LAMAR
 STATE OF TEXAS
 PARIS, TEXAS

(Stamp of Local Board.)

The stamp of the local board having jurisdiction of the area in which the registrant has his permanent home shall be placed in this box.

Featured Family - Gateley



Featured Family - Gateley

Dennie & Addie
 married
 9 Aug 1926 in
 Delta County, Texas

210 RECORD OF MARRIAGE LICENSE

The State of Texas
 County of Delta

any Regularly Licensed or Ordained Minister of the Gospel, Jewish Rabbi, Judge of the District or County Court, or any Justice of the Peace in the State of Texas—Greeting:

YOU ARE HEREBY AUTHORIZED TO SOLEMNIZE THE RITES OF MATRIMONY

between Mr. *Andrew D. Gateley* and Miss *Addie Bell Watson* and the due return to the Clerk of the County Court of said County within sixty days thereafter, certifying your action under this License.

WITNESS my official signature and seal of office, at office in Cooper, Texas, the *9th* day of *August* A.D. 192*6*

R. H. Hood Clerk
 of the County Court, Delta County, Texas

By *R. W. Sanning* Deputy

I, *R. W. Sanning* certify that on the *9th* day of *August* A.D. 192*6* I solemnized in Marriage *Andrew D. Gateley* and *Miss Addie Bell Watson* the parties above named.

WITNESS my hand, this *10th* day of *August* A.D. 192*6*

R. W. Sanning
 Minister of Gospel

Returned and filed for record the *11th* day of *August* A.D. 192*6* and recorded the *13th* day of *August* 192*6*

By *R. H. Hood* Deputy County Clerk.

Dennie & Addie
 moved to
 Choctaw County,
 Oklahoma
 in 1930.

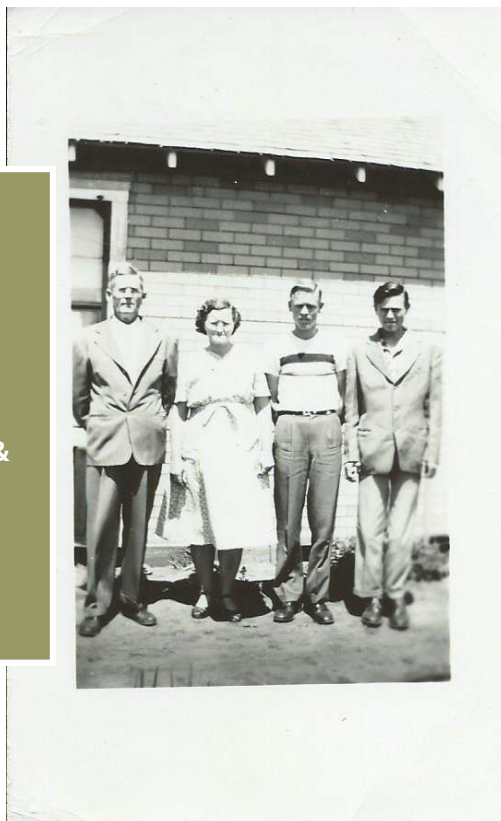


Lee Egbert Gateley, age 4 &
 Lawrence Edward Gateley, age 2
 Sons of Dennie & Addie Gateley

Featured Family - Gateley



Dennie & Addie with their daughter, Elizabeth and son Lee - Labor Day Weekend 1955



Dennie & Addie with their two sons, Lee & Lawrence

REGISTRATION CARD—(Men born on or after April 23, 1877 and on or before February 16, 1897)

SERIAL NUMBER	1. NAME (Print)		ORDER NUMBER
U. 1187	Arden	Dennie Gateley	
	(First)	(Middle) (Last)	
2. PLACE OF RESIDENCE (Print)			
4 miles north of Hugo		Hugo Choctaw Oklahoma	
<small>(Number and street)</small>		<small>(Town, locality, village, or city)</small>	<small>(County) (State)</small>
[THE PLACE OF RESIDENCE GIVEN ON THE LINE ABOVE WILL DETERMINE LOCAL BOARD JURISDICTION; LINE 1 OF REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE WILL BE IDENTICAL]			
3. MAILING ADDRESS			
Gen. Del. Hugo, Oklahoma			
<small>(Mailing address if other than place indicated on line 2. If none insert word none)</small>			
4. TELEPHONE	5. AGE IN YEARS	6. PLACE OF BIRTH	
	45	Yell Co.	
		<small>(Town or county)</small>	
	DATE OF BIRTH		
	Aug	7	1896
	<small>(Month)</small>	<small>(Day)</small>	<small>(Year)</small>
		<small>(State or territory)</small>	
7. NAME AND ADDRESS OF PERSON WHO WILL ALWAYS KNOW YOUR ADDRESS			
Mrs. Addie Gateley, Hugo, Oklahoma			
8. EMPLOYER'S NAME AND ADDRESS			
Self			
9. PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT OR BUSINESS			
		Hugo	Choctaw Oklahoma
<small>(Number and street) or R. F. D. number</small>		<small>(Town)</small>	<small>(County) (State)</small>
I AFFIRM THAT I HAVE VERIFIED ABOVE ANSWERS AND THAT THEY ARE TRUE.			
D. S. S. FORM 1 <small>(Revised 4-1-42)</small>	<small>(OVER)</small>	16-3840-2	Arden D. Gateley <small>(Registrant's Signature)</small>

Dennie Gateley's World War II Registration Card

After the United States entered World War II a new selective service act required that all men between the ages of 18 and 65 register for the draft. This was known as the "old man's registration".

Featured Family - Gateley



Addie & Dennie Gateley

11 Nov 1968



Arden Dennie Gateley - Military Headstone
Shoat Springs Cemetery, Hugo, Choctaw, Oklahoma

Service Set Thursday For A. D. Gateley

Arden D. Gateley, 72-year-old retired farmer living at 507 West Duke Street here, died Tuesday afternoon at his home about 3:15 o'clock of an apparent heart attack.

Services will be Thursday at 2 p. m. in the Southside Baptist Church, with burial in Shoat Springs cemetery. Coffey Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Born Aug. 7, 1896, in Yell County, Ark., he was a World War I veteran and a deacon in Southside Baptist Church. He had lived in Oklahoma many years and in Hugo most of the time since 1930.

Survivors are his wife, Mrs. Addie Gateley, two sons and one daughter. They are Lee Gateley, of Bristow; Lawrence Gateley, Sherman, Tex.; and Mrs. Elizabeth Braddy, Eulless, Tex. Ten grandchildren and two sisters, Mrs. Mable Baze, Hugo, and Mrs. Nora Guin, Ivanhoe, Calif., also survive.

Hugo Daily News

Featured Family - Gateley

Bachelor Button Cookies

1 C Butter or Margarine
1 C light Brown Sugar
1 egg - $\frac{1}{2}$ tea salt
2 Cup flour 1 teaspoon Soda
1 C chopped pecan
1 C Coconut
mix as listed Roll into Balls
About 1" around Press center
with fork Bake at 400°
for 10 min Make 5 doz

Egg Custard

$\frac{1}{2}$ C sweet milk $\frac{1}{2}$ C sugar
3 large eggs
1 teaspoon Vanilla
Dot Butter Dot Butter & Nut meg
Put in unbaked pie shell
& Bake in oven 350°



This Rolling Pin was made for Addie by Dennie on his wood lathe.

Addie was known for her love of sweets.

A look through her recipe box reveals many recipes, most of which are for desserts.

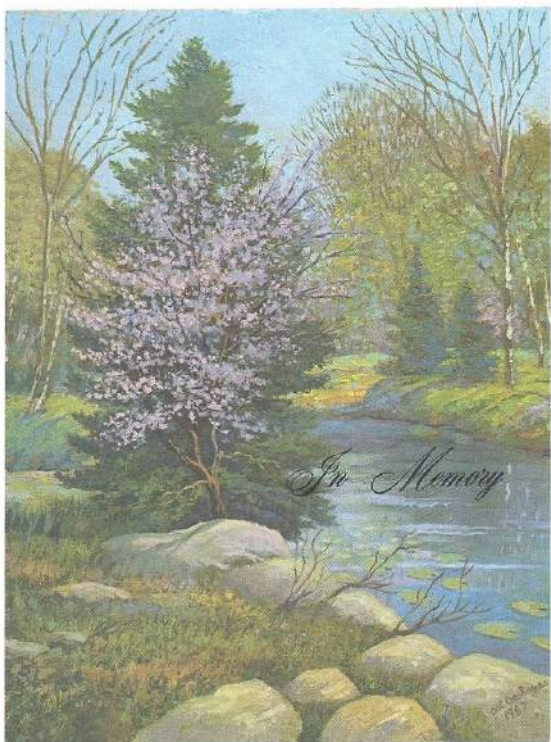
She loved trying new recipes.

Here are a couple of her recipes written in her own hand.

Pecan pie -

1 C. white Sugar. 1 C Brown Sugar
2 eggs slightly beaten 2 T^o flour
 $1\frac{1}{2}$ C milk. 1 t^o Vanilla
1 C. pecan.
mix sugar, flour. add milk and eggs
Cook in double boiler until mixture
coats spoon. remove from fire stir in
Vanilla and pecans. pour in to baked
pie shell and Chill until set Top with
Whipped Cream.

Featured Family - Gateley



Addie B. Gateley

Funeral services for Addie B. Gateley of Hugo will be held on Saturday, October 1, at 2:00 p.m. at the Lampton-Mills & Coffey Chapel. Mrs. Gateley died on Sept. 29 at the age of 92.

Mrs. Gateley was born August 11, 1902 in Hunt County, Texas, to Miles Nathan and Serena (Atherton) Watson. She married Dennis Gateley August 9, 1926 in Texas. She was a homemaker and a member of the Southside Baptist Church. She had been a member of this community 66 years.

Surviving relatives include two sons: Lee Gateley and Lawrence Gateley, both of Drumright, Oklahoma; a daughter: Elizabeth Braddy of Euless, Texas; a brother: Aubrey Watson of Paris, Texas; two sisters: Evie Reel of Paris, Texas, and Bulah Crouch of Wills Point, Texas; 11 grandchildren and 21 great-grandchildren.

Rev. Mutt Wallace will officiate the services with burial following in Shoat Springs Cemetery under the direction of Lampton-Mills & Coffey Funeral Home.

Hugo Daily News

*The Lord is my Shepherd; I shall
not want. He maketh me to lie
down in green pastures; He leadeth
me beside the still waters. He
restoreth my soul; He leadeth me
in the paths of righteousness for
His name's sake.*

*Yea, though I walk through the
valley of the shadow of death, I will
fear no evil; for Thou art with me;
Thy rod and Thy staff they comfort
me; Thou preparest a table before
me in the presence of mine enemies;
Thou anointest my head with oil,
my cup runneth over.*

*Surely goodness and mercy shall
follow me all the days of my life;
and I will dwell in the house of the
Lord forever.*

IN MEMORY OF

ADDIE B. GATELEY

DATE OF BIRTH

*August 11, 1902
Hunt County, Texas*

DATE OF DEATH

*September 29, 1994
Hugo, Oklahoma*

SERVICES FROM

*Lampton-Mills & Coffey Chapel
2:00 P.M. October 1, 1994*

CLERGYMAN OFFICIATING

Reverend Mutt Wallace

FINAL RESTING PLACE

*Shoat Springs Cemetery
Choctaw County, Oklahoma*

CONDUCTED BY

Lampton-Mills & Coffey Funeral Home

Featured Family - Gateley



Arden Dennie & Addie Bell (Watson) Gateley
Shoat Springs Cemetery
Hugo, Choctaw, Oklahoma

*All family information, photographs, and documents
were provided by Cindy (Gateley) Burkhalter,
granddaughter of Dennie & Addie Gateley.*

Circus - Fulton Family

by Larry Moore

The Fulton Family is SPECIAL with capital letters. I've known of them for a long time, but I've only got to know them recently. I knew they were on circus, not that they all were on circus. I met Michael Fulton on volunteer projects, and asked if I could write about his family. So, here we are. The Jack and Barbara Fulton family is based in Hugo, OK. They had 5 children, 4 sons, Jack, Michael, Dana & Randy, and 1 daughter, Lisa. Jack and Barbara raised their family on circus. The Fulton family history has not always been circus. They have always been Choctaw.

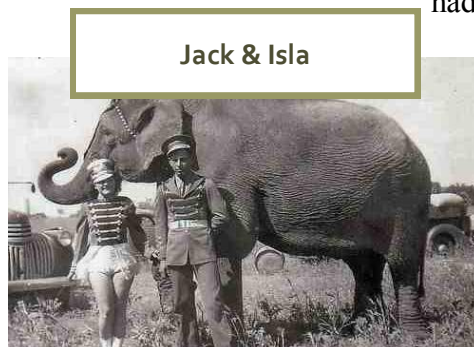


Choctaw Mural

Their grandfather, Jeff Fulton, was a US Marshall in the early 1900's. Jeff is pictured in a mural in the Choctaw

Nation Museum. Complete Records of Choctaws at that time have gone missing. We must rely on memories and stories as Native Americans done for centuries.

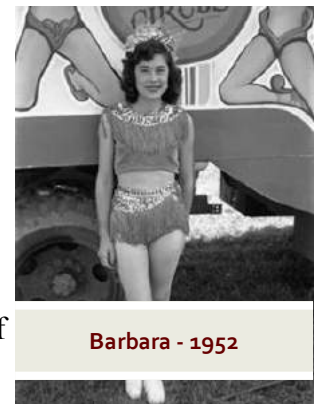
Their father, Jack Lloyd Fulton, was growing up at Goodland Academy, near Hugo, OK (Circus City). There must have been circus/saw dust in the air causing Jack to run away and join a circus. He hopped a ride



Jack & Isla

on a freight train to Kansas where he joined Kelly Miller. Jack was a natural with animals. He worked with mostly horses and elephants. The animals each had special transportation needs. Since a circus moves to a new location every day this is essential for circus operation. Jack became Transportation Superintendent. He was responsible for the operation and maintenance of all, 35-50, trucks to move the circus.

Their Mother, Barbara June Freydenall, joined Kelly Miller when she was 18 years old. Barbara's introduction to circus was not as exciting as Jack's. She was a niece of DR and Isla Miller, Owners of Kelly Miller Circus; circus/sawdust was in her blood. Barbara started as a showgirl. She learned her talents were better suited to cooking, costume designing and elephant blanket making. These jobs are not glamorous but the results, costumes & blankets, are glamorous. She would cook for more than 100 people or more, all working on circus. Costumes usually



Barbara - 1952

had thousands of sequins, all sewn on by hand. The elephant blankets were very large. They would probably cover a pickup truck. Jack and Barbara both worked in the background of circus operations. They met and married.

Circus - Fulton Family

Their family had the benefit of an extended family, all on circus. Everyone helps each other, like a neighborhood. Unlike a neighborhood they move their home to a new location every day for about 220 days each year. Growing up on circus the children learned all aspects of circus business.

The boys like their dad, have a talent for working with animals. Lisa like her mom has a talent for costume and show design. Since retiring from circus Jack, Mike and Dana have been called upon for special animal needs: Providing an elephant for a promotional event; Transporting a tiger to a zoo; Tracking an animal that gets loose, elephants, tigers, etc.; and filling in when and where needed during circus season. The Fulton family did not get star billing, but as D. R. Miller said "The show would not go on without the Fultons."

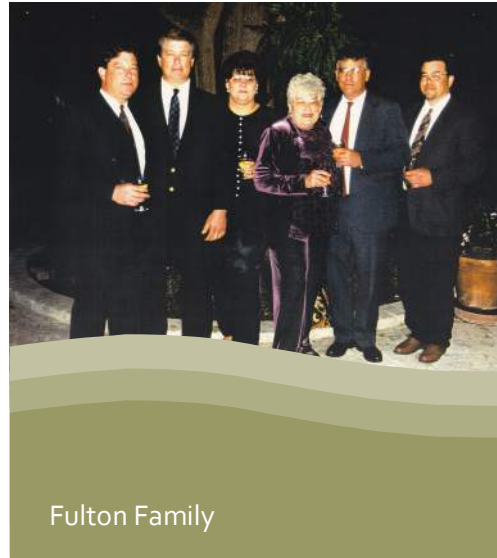
Jack and Barbara would be proud of their children and grand children. They are all Choctaw with "sawdust" (circus) in their blood. The more I learn about Choctaw and circus they go good together.

OSU interviewed Michael Fulton as part of a circus oral history project. You can see Michael tell the stories much better than I can at their web site,

<http://www.library.okstate.edu/oralhistory/circus/>



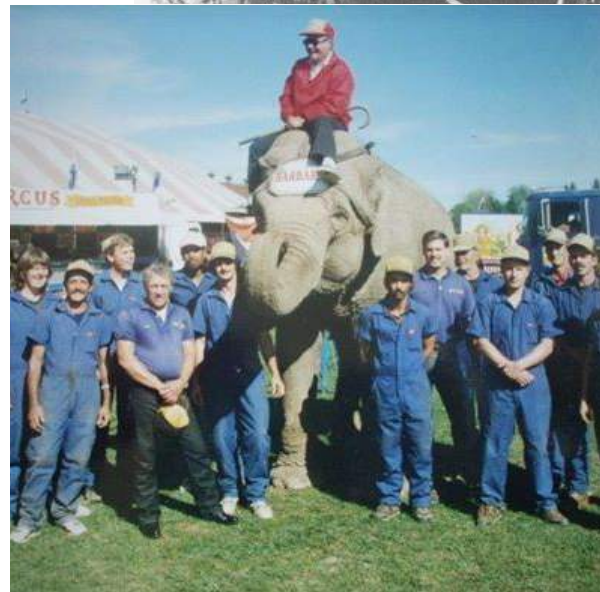
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Fulton Family



Fultons
On Show



Choctaw County Records

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

MARRIAGE LICENSE

COUNTY OF CHOCTAW

IN COUNTY COURT

To any Person Authorized to Perform and Solemnize the Marriage Ceremony—Greeting:
 You are hereby authorized to join in marriage Mr. D. C. Daniels
 of Wright County of McCurtain State of Okla.
 aged 26 years, and Miss G. L. Coble of Wright
 County of McCurtain State of Okla. aged 18 years.

And of this License you will make due return to my office within
 thirty days from this date.

Witness my hand and official seal, at Hugo, in said County,
 this 14th day of Aug. A. D. 19 19

County Judge.

By Ed Inice Court Clerk
E. J. Adminis Deputy

Recorded this 20 day of August 19 19

By Ed Inice Court Clerk
E. J. Adminis Deputy

CERTIFICATE OF MARRIAGE

STATE OF OKLAHOMA, CHOCTAW COUNTY, ss.
 I, W. T. Glenn, County Judge

OFFICIAL DESIGNATION COURT OR CONGREGATION
Hugo in Choctaw County, State of Oklahoma, do
 hereby certify that I joined in marriage the persons named in and authorized by this
 License to be married, on the 14th day of Aug. A. D. 19 19 at
Hugo, in Choctaw County, State of Oklahoma, in the presence of
Miss E. F. Adminis, of Hugo, Okla.
 and Mr. Z. J. Harrison of Hugo, Okla.
 MY CREDENTIALS ARE RECORDED IN MINISTERS' CREDENTIALS

BOOK _____ PAGE _____
 OF _____ COUNTY, OKLAHOMA

Returned and recorded this 20 day of Aug. 19 19

By Ed Inice Court Clerk
E. J. Adminis Deputy

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MARRIAGE LICENSE AND CERTIFICATE

D. C. Daniels
AND
G. L. Coble

CHOCTAW COUNTY, OKLA.

Issued Aug. 14, 19 19

Married Aug. 14, 19 19

License Recorded Aug. 20, 19 19
 on page 414 of Marriage Record 8

County Judge.

Ed Inice Court Clerk

By E. J. Adminis Deputy

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research library.

Choctaw County Records

Choctaw County Marriage Records are held at the Choctaw County Courthouse Court Clerk's Office 300 E. Duke Street Hugo, OK 74743

MARRIAGE LICENSE

State of **Oklahoma** Choctaw County

IN COUNTY COURT
TO ANY PERSON AUTHORIZED BY LAW TO PERFORM AND SOLEMNIZE
THE MARRIAGE CEREMONY—GREETING:

You are hereby authorized to join in marriage Mr. Emmet Cain
of Paris County of Lamar State of Texas
aged 38 years, and Miss Jukia Rhodes of Paris
County of Lamar State of Texas aged 24 years.

And of this license you will make due return to my office
within thirty days from this date.

Witness my hand and official seal, at Hugo in
said County this 23rd day of November A.D. 1929
J. W. Hunter Court Clerk.

By _____ County Judge Deputy.

Recorded this 23rd day of Nov. 1929.
J. H. Wilkins Court Clerk.

By Mae Booth Deputy.

CERTIFICATE OF MARRIAGE

State of Oklahoma, Choctaw County, ss.
I, T. W. Hunter County Judge,
Official Designation _____ Court of Congregation _____
of Paris in Lamar County, State of Oklahoma do hereby
certify that I joined in marriage the persons named in and authorized by this license
to be married, on the 23rd day of November A.D. 1929
at Hugo in Choctaw County, State of Oklahoma in the presence
of Ruth Hunter of Hugo, Oklahoma.
and C. F. McDonel of Hugo, Oklahoma.
My certificate was recorded in the office of the clerk of the
County of Oklahoma at _____
By J. W. Hunter (SIGN HERE)
County Judge OFFICIAL DESIGNATION _____

Returned and recorded this 25th day of Nov. 1929
J. H. Wilkins Court Clerk.
By Mae Booth Deputy.

**MARRIAGE LICENSE
AND CERTIFICATE**

Emmet Cain
AND
Julia Rhodes
Choctaw COUNTY, OKLAHOMA

ISSUED 11-23-1929

MARRIED 11-23-1929

LICENSE RECORDED 11-25-1929

ON PAGE 413 OF MARRIAGE RECORD 16

J. H. Wilkins COURT CLERK
BY Mae Booth DEPUTY

Paris

Choctaw County Records

MARRIAGE LICENSE

STATE OF OKLAHOMA CHOCTAW COUNTY

in County Court

TO ANY PERSON AUTHORIZED TO PERFORM AND SOLEMNIZE THE MARRIAGE CEREMONY—GREETING:

You are hereby authorized to join in marriage Mr. Cecil N. LaBrove of Lamont, County of Crawf, State of Oklahoma aged 21 years, and Miss Elmer Stubbard, of Spencer, County of Choctaw, State of Oklahoma, aged 15 years.

And of this License you will make due return to my office within thirty days from this date.

Witness my hand and official seal, at HUGO, in said County, this 17th day of Dec., A. D. 1918

W. J. Marshall County Judge
By C. F. Admire Deputy

Recorded this 27 day of Dec., 1918

W. J. Marshall Court Clerk
By C. F. Admire Deputy

CERTIFICATE OF MARRIAGE

State of Oklahoma, CHOCTAW County, ss.

I, R. E. Anderson Minister

of Spencer Spencer in Choctaw County, State of Oklahoma, do hereby certify that I joined in marriage the persons named in and authorized by this License to be married, on the 19th day of Dec, A. D. 1918, at Spencer in Choctaw County, State of Oklahoma, in the presence of Mr. E. Anderson of Spencer and Miss Elmer Wimsat of Spencer BY CREDENTIALS ARE RECORDED IN MINISTERS' CREDENTIALS.

BOOK PAGE
OF Choctaw COUNTY, OKLAHOMA. R. E. Anderson

Returned and recorded this 27 day of Dec., 1918

W. J. Marshall Court Clerk
By C. F. Admire Deputy

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MARRIAGE LICENSE AND CERTIFICATE.

Mr. Cecil N. LaBrove AND Miss Elmer Stubbard

CHOCTAW County, Okla.

Issued Dec. 17th 1918

Married Dec. 19 1918

License Recorded Dec. 27 1918

on page 15 of Marriage Record &

County Judge.

W. J. Marshall Court Clerk
By C. F. Admire Deputy

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Choctaw County Records

MARRIAGE LICENSE

Choctaw County
IN COUNTY COURT

State of Oklahoma
TO ANY PERSON AUTHORIZED BY LAW TO PERFORM AND SOLEMNIZE
THE MARRIAGE CEREMONY—GREETING:

You are hereby authorized to join in marriage Mr. Hubert L. Glaze
of Sulphur Bluff County of Hopkins State of Texas
aged 32 years, and Miss Ira Belle Swann, of Sulphur Bluff
County of Hopkins State of Texas, aged 20 years.

And of this license you will make due return to my office
within thirty days from this date.
Witness my hand and official seal, at Hugo in
said County this 25th day of January A.D. 1930
T. W. Hunter Court Clerk.

By _____ County Judge Deputy.

Recorded this 25th day of Jan. 1930
J. B. Wilkins Court Clerk.

By Mae Booth Deputy.

CERTIFICATE OF MARRIAGE

I, T. W. Hunter County Judge
Official Designation _____ Court or Congregation _____
of Hugo in Choctaw County, State of Oklahoma do hereby
certify that I joined in marriage the persons named in and authorized by this license
to be married on the 25th day of January A.D. 1930
at Hugo in Choctaw County, State of Oklahoma, in the presence
of Ruth Hunter of Hugo, Oklahoma.
and Etta Hopkins of Hugo, Oklahoma.
My credentials are recorded in the minutes of Credentials
Book _____ Page _____ of _____ County, Oklahoma.
(SIGN HERE)
T. W. Hunter
County Judge
OFFICIAL DESIGNATION _____

Returned and recorded this 31st day of Jan. 1930
J. B. Wilkins Court Clerk.
By Mae Booth Deputy.

**MARRIAGE LICENSE
AND CERTIFICATE**

Hubert L. Glaze
AND
Ira Belle Swann

Choctaw COUNTY, OKLAHOMA

ISSUED 1-25-1930
MARRIED 1-25-1930
LICENSE RECORDED 1-31-1930
ON PAGE 79 OF MARRIAGE RECORD 17

J. B. Wilkins COURT CLERK
BY Mae Booth DEPUTY

Hold until called for.

Cemetery Project

Our cemetery project is still going strong. Since we started this project in June 2014, we have completed the re-enumeration and photographing of five Choctaw County Cemeteries and started on sections of one of our larger cemeteries, Mt. Olivet. We plan to continue this project in 2015. Below is a reminder of the cemeteries that were completed in 2014.

Good Springs Cemetery - 8 Jun 2014

Mt. Olive Cemetery - 9 Nov 2014

McKee Family Cemetery - 14 Sep 2014

Woodlawn (Messer) Cemetery - 7 Dec 2014

Shoat Springs Cemetery - 12 Oct 2014

Mt. Olivet Cemetery - continuing



Woodlawn Cemetery

Upcoming Cemetery Gatherings for the First Quarter of 2015

Those that would like to can meet us at the Hugo library parking lot at 9:30 a.m. Everyone is welcome to join us and you do not have to be a member of the Society to help. For more information, please call the Society's President, Donna Willison Head at 580-743-3381, email us at choctawcountyyokgensoc@live.com or visit the project page at our [website](#).

January

Sobol Cemetery - 11 Jan 2015
Choctaw Academy - 11 Jan 2015
Swink Cemetery - 11 Jan 2015 (if enough time)

February

Sawyer Cemetery - 8 Feb 2015

March

Springs Family Cemetery - 8 Mar 2015
Crosley Cemetery - 8 Mar 2015

All cemetery gatherings are weather permitting. Cancellation notices will be emailed (to members), posted on our [facebook page](#), and updated on our [event calendar](#).

If we finish the designated cemeteries and there is enough time left in the day, we will go to Mt. Olivet cemetery.



Military Cemetery in Arlington County, Virginia (photo by Ken Kaminesky Photography)

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Queries

Be advised, all queries are submitted as received. We do not correct spelling, dates, grammar, punctuation, etc.

Belle Blair

Looking for information on Aurilla Belle (Cain) Blair, specifically her exact date of death and obituary. Her parents are Edward Cain & Permelia Ann Turner. Belle was born Jul 1874 in Iuka, MS and died 1926 in Hugo, OK. Belle married Andrew Jackson Blair, Sr. on 6 Jan 1893.

Any information is appreciated.

Toni Love

tlove44ok@yahoo.com

William Magruder Jefferson

Born in Murfreesboro, Arkansas. Parents Peterfield & Emma (Bussel) Jefferson. Peterfield was a postmaster in Murfreesboro. William also had a half-brother, Mead Jefferson.

Would appreciate any information on William and his parents.

Janie Allensworth

HC 63 Box 2270

Ft. Towson, OK 74735

580-876-3630

Fuller Family

I've been researching the FULLER fam-

ily tree for my husband

I'm researching my husband's father's side of the family and am having problems doing so because of the conflicting (or missing) info out there. Any help would be appreciated. The following information is all I know starting with my father-in-law:

1) Carl W FULLER

b 1921 in Ashdown, Red River, AR

d 1959 in Germany

m Loretta E Hoffman - date and place unknown

2) father: John A FULLER b. Arkansas

date /place of death unknown.

3) mother: Myrtle CLARDY - date/ place of birth unkn.

date/place of marriage unknown (AR, OK, GA?)

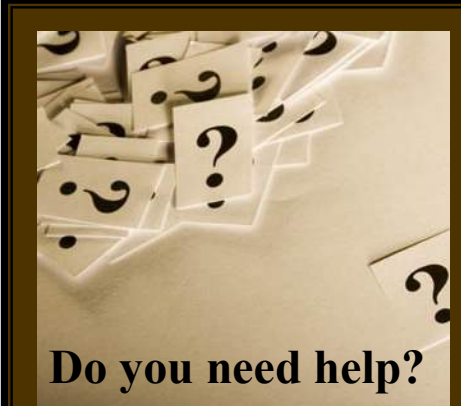
Carl W. FULLER died unexpectedly at the age of 37. The family always traveled with him so they never had the opportunity to get to know their grandparents, or their grandmother's maiden name.

The discrepancy in the spelling of Myrtle's last name comes from my father-in-law's military papers where he spells it "CLARITY". However, I believe it is CLARDY.

My husband and his siblings tell me their parents both told them both of their paternal grandparents come from a Native American [Cherokee or Choctaw?] bloodline. The only information I can find to prove this is on my father-in-law's military papers / personal history where he indicates he is "native" as opposed to "white",

but then, later orders, etc. indicate he is "white". I believe this was an oversight of the person who filled out the later documents. Further, I'm not sure if John and Myrtle were married in Ok, AR, or TX, or OK because I cannot find a marriage license. My husband and siblings all tell me their parents told them there is Cherokee blood from both sides of their paternal grandparents; that their grandfather met Myrtle on an Indian reservation in Oklahoma and took her to Arkansas, then later moved to Texas. Any help you can give me on this research would be greatly appreciated.

Please Email me at fuller501@aol.com if you have any information or questions. Blessings to you.. Sharon Fuller



Do you need help?

Consider placing a query in an upcoming Newsletter. Queries are free for members and just \$3 each for non-members.



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