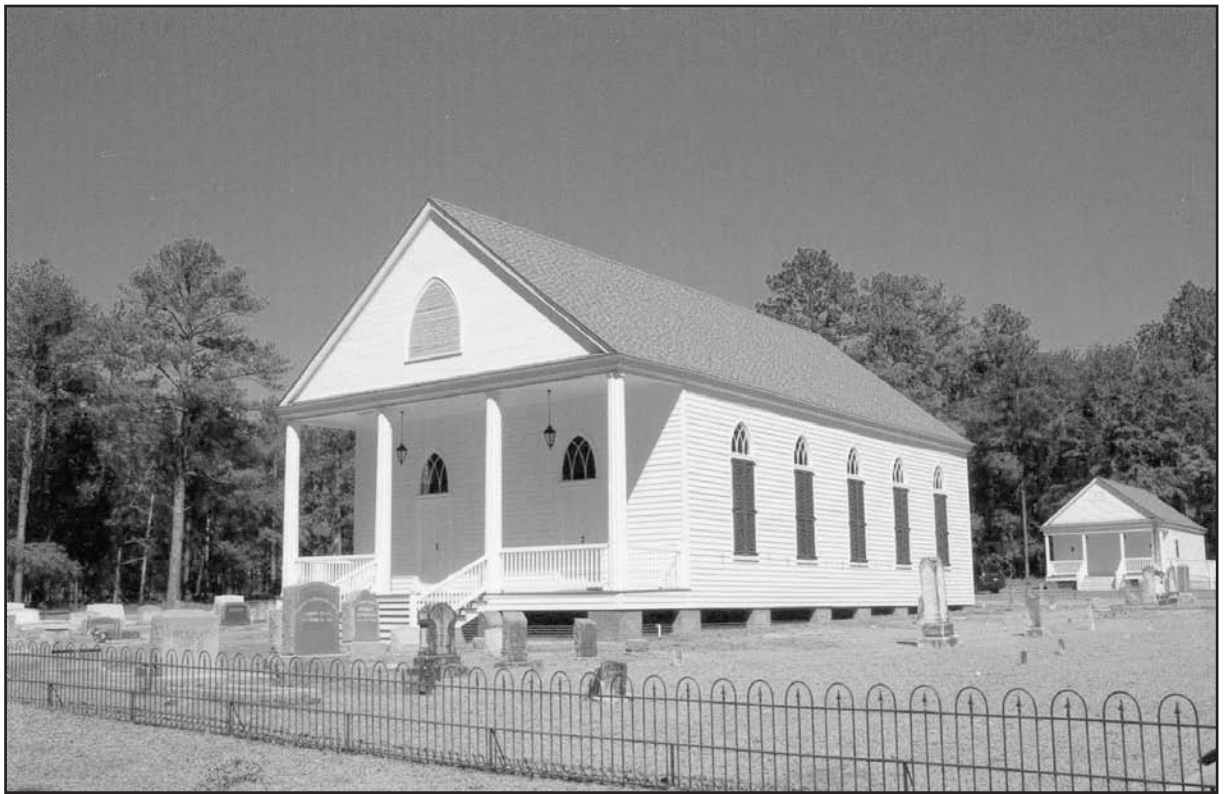


Brabham, Kears, Kirkland
McMillan and Moye
85th
Anniversary Reunion



and
Eleventh Mizpah United Methodist Church Homecoming
at
Buford's Bridge, South Carolina
October 8, 2006

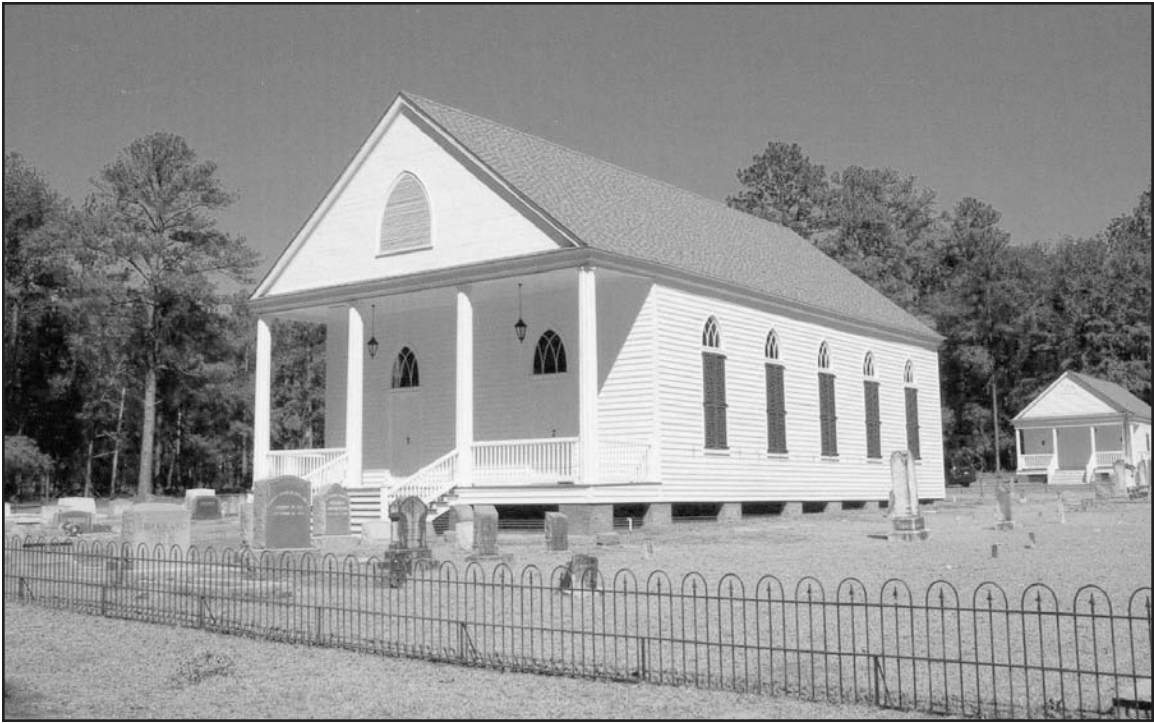


Photo by Clyde Kearsse

MIZPAH

*Go thou thy way, and I go mine,
Apart, yet not afar;
Only a thin veil hangs between
The pathways where we are.
And "God keep watch 'tween thee and me";
This is my prayer;
He looks thy way, He looketh mine,
And keeps us near.*

*I know not where thy road may lie,
Or which way mine will be;
If mine will lead thro' parching sands
And thine beside the sea;
Yet God keeps watch 'tween thee and me,
So never fear;
He holds thy hands, He claspeth mine,
And keeps us near.*

*Should wealth and fame perchance be thine,
And my lot lowly be,
Or you be sad and sorrowful,
And glory be for me,
Yet God keep watch 'tween thee and me;
Both be His care;
One arm round thee and one round me
Will keep us near.*

*I sigh sometimes to see thy face,
But since this may not be,
I'll leave thee to the care of Him
Who cares for thee and me.
"I'll keep you both beneath my wings,"
This comforts, dear;
One wing o'er thee and one o'er me,
Will keep us near.*

*And though our paths be separate,
And thy way is not mine,
Yet coming to the Mercy seat,
My soul will meet with thine.
And "God keep watch 'tween thee and me,"
I'll whisper there.
He blessed thee, He blesseth me,
And we are near.*

JULIA A. BAKER

2006 MIZPAH REUNION AND HOMECOMING ***85th Anniversary***

of the

Brabham, Kears, Kirkland, McMillan and Moye Reunion
and

Eleventh Mizpah United Methodist Church Homecoming

October 8, 2006
11:30 am

Prelude	Mary Carolyn Watson
Meeting Call To Order	Steve Kemmerlin
Invocation	Rev. Edward Stiltz, (Olar Charge)
Hymn	“Faith of Our Fathers”
Welcome To Mizpah/Poem (<i>The Spirit of Buford’s Bridge</i>)	Betty Jane Miller
Approval of 2005 Minutes & Treasurer’s Report	(Printed in book)
Old Business/New Business	Steve Kemmerlin
Election of Officers	Ched Kears
Recognition of Family Members Present	
Recognition of Youngest, Oldest, Farthest Traveled, First-Time Attendee	
Recognition of Bobby Kears Family	Steve Kemmerlin
Offertory/Special Music	Mary Carolyn Watson
Introduction of Speaker	Steve Kemmerlin
Speaker	Bernard Kears
Hymn	“Blest Be the Tie That Binds”
Benediction and Blessing	Rev. Edward Stiltz

Faith of Our Fathers

Faith of our fathers, living still, inspite of dungeon, fire, and sword; O how our hearts beat high with joy when-e'er we hear that glorious word!

Chorus: Faith of fathers, holy faith! We will be true to thee till death.

Faith of our fathers, we will strive to win all nations unto thee; and through the truth that comes from God, we all shall then be truly free.

Chorus

Faith of our fathers, we will love both friend and foe in all our strife; and preach thee, too, as love knows how by kindly works and virtuous life.

Chorus

Blest Be The Tie That Binds

Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love; the fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above.

Before our Father's throne we pour our ardent prayers; our fears, our hopes, our aims are one, our comforts and our cares.

We share each other's woes, or mutual burdens bear; and often for each other flows the sympathizing tear.

When we asunder part, it gives us inward pain; but we shall still be joined in heart, and hope to meet again.

2005 Minutes

Mizpah Reunion and Homecoming

Members of the Brabham, Kears, Kirkland, McMillan and Moye families gathered Sunday, October 9, 2005, for the 84th Reunion and the 10th Mizpah United Methodist Church Homecoming at the historic old church at Buford's Bridge, South Carolina.

Mary Carolyn Watson provided a piano prelude, "What a Friend We Have in Jesus." Louis "Lou" Odom, 2005 Reunion president (Kirkland family), called the meeting to order. Rev. Edward Stiltz, of the Olar Charge which includes Mizpah, offered the invocation. Betty Jane Miller spoke on behalf of Mizpah Church, saying, "Welcome to Mizpah this day, and every day."

Treasurer's Report and Minutes were passed on motion of Bill Craven, with a correction to be noted in the printed financial statement: the first line should read, "Bank balance as of August 31, 2005."

The Nominating Committee report was given by Cal Watson. The slate of officers was: 2006 president - Steve Kemmerlin (Kears family) and 2007 president - Michael Swindell (Moye family), with Laurence Wells continuing as treasurer and Carol Varn continuing as secretary. On motion of Mike Watson, the new officers were elected by acclamation.

Family counts were: Brabham (36), Kears (50), Kirkland (59), McMillan (4), and Moye (7). At 92, Clarice Brabham O'Neal was recognized as the oldest present. Youngest was four-month-old Jocelyn Elizabeth, daughter of Charles and Brenna Hancock and granddaughter of Judy and Donnie Ayer of Olar.

Special music was provided by the father-daughter team of Robert "Bob" Mallory and Lynn Mallory Unnold. The congregation joined in singing the final verse of "Amazing Grace."

President Odom introduced Philip Morris to discuss the progress of the Mizpah Family Book. Last updated in the 1970's, the plan is to update again by next year if possible. Morris stressed the need to provide family information so that the book can be published in the most up-to-date form possible.

Once again, program books were produced for the Reunion by Philip Morris (and his staff at Sun Printing in Orangeburg, SC) with the help of family news gatherers who provided family information. These books provide a wealth of family information, including yearly programs, floral tributes, minutes and financial statements, special information and family pictures. Of special interest this year was South Carolina Educational Television which was filming for possible inclusion in an upcoming documentary.

Richard Kears introduced the speaker, Rev. Harold Kirkland, an Ulmer native who retired after 40 years as a minister in Sumter, SC. He told the congregation he appreciated the "sacred opportunity to stand here before you," and then stressed to the congregation that "it does matter that you are here today."

After a benediction and blessing by Rev. Stiltz, the group adjourned for dinner on the grounds, with lemonade prepared by the Robbie Kears family. The 2006 Reunion will be October 8.

Respectfully submitted,
Carol B. Varn
Reunion Secretary

Mizpah Church Families Association
FINANCIAL STATEMENT
August 31, 2005 - August 31, 2006

Bank Balance as of August 31, 2005 \$7,402.95

Receipts:

Interest..... \$ 6.54

Reunion Collection - October 9, 2005..... 1406.00

Total Receipts 1412.54

Total in Bank & Receipts \$8815.49

Expenditures:

Mel Rizer - Paper Goods \$ 100.00

Helen's Florist - Flowers for Church 58.60

Sun Incorporated - Printing Program Books, etc. 854.89

Total Expenditures \$ 1,013.49

Total in Bank August 31, 2006 \$ 7,802.00

Laurence R. Wells
Treasurer

Mizpah United Methodist Church

MIZPAH FAMILY BOOK COMMITTEE

August 31, 2005 - August 31, 2006

Bank Balance as of August 31, 2006 \$9,176.13

No Receipts

No Expenditures

Special Notice

Make sure you sign up for how many Family Books you will want. These books will be available at the next reunion as long as everyone gets in their family updates. Very little updated information was given in this year and we felt we needed to postpone this book for one more year. Please help us by updating your family portion of the Family Book. When you sign up for books, please give us as much information as possible so we can get in touch with you.

Please fill out the form on page 24 of this book and give it to your Family Coordinator which is listed on page 23. If you have any questions, feel free to ask any of the coordinators.

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Memorial Flowers

by Mizpah Church Reunion Association

S. Brown Sanders

Died February 1, 2006

Myrtle Hughes Boineau

Died July 21, 2006

James Grady Kears

Died August 30, 2006

Hermine Beard McMillan

Died April 20, 2006

Carolyn Kirkland Wehner

Died February 28, 2006

Lois Anita Kears Craven

Died December 19, 2005

Ruth Snelling Linley

Died July 2006

Laura Mae Breeland

Died April 27, 2006

Esther Sease Mathis Kears

Died September 14, 2006

As well as to the memory of all the deceased in our families



*Flowers left of the pulpit
are in honor of*

James Grady Kears

January 24, 1922 - August 30, 2006

and

Lula Edmonds Kears

October 25, 1923 - August 9, 2003

Grady enjoyed nothing more than taking photographs at the Mizpah reunion. Many of the photographs published in the Mizpah reunion books were taken by Grady Kears.

Grady and Lula are survived by two daughters, Brenda Kears Jowers and Gwen Kearese Bullington, granddaughters, Amanda Rene Bullington and Jessamine Haven Jowers and sons-in-law, Walter Jowers and Joe Bullington.

Grady and Lula always looked forward to the reunion every year. They are truly missed.

*Flowers on the Piano
are in honor of*

Laura Mae Breeland

Placed by her family

Mr. & Mrs. Clyde Kears

Ms. Amanda Morris

*Flowers at Chancel Rail
are in memory of*

Lois Anita Kears Craven

July 22, 1929 - December 19, 2005

Placed by her family.

Lois is now at rest with her parents, sister, brother and nieces and nephews in her beloved Mizpah Church Cemetery. She so cherished family and friends!

YOUNGEST & OLDEST 2005



Oldest - Mrs. Clarice O'Neal - 92



Youngest - Jocelyn Hancock - 5 mos.
Mother - Brenna Ayer Hancock
Grandfather - Donnie Ayer

MIZPAH CHURCH NEWS

Mizpah Church is 150 years old this year. The church and restrooms were cleaned and painted this spring.

We plan to have the cemetery fence painted this year. Any donations toward this would be appreciated.

Chatham Harris used Mizpah cemetery as his Eagle Scout project. He and his troop cleaned numerous head and foot stones in the cemetery along with landscaping the two entrance gates. Chatham is a member of Troop 507 in Lexington, SC.

Remaining material: we still have some framed and unframed pictures of MIZPAH and note cards, heart pine flooring, brick, nails for sale.

A special belated thanks to Miss Elizabeth Reed Holt for her generous donation presented in 2004 to Mizpah Cemetery Association in honor of Mrs. Harriett Hamilton Kirkland Gilmore.

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IN MEMORIUM



We have lost a great servant of the Lord this year. Mrs. Laura Mae Breeland attended Mizpah faithfully for many years and served as Pianist. She was a lady who lived with the heartache of a mentally and physically handicapped child. But she loved him with all that was in her. She loved Mizpah because everyone accepted and loved him too. Mrs. Laura Mae will always have a special place in each of our hearts.

BRABHAM FAMILY NEWS

The Mizpah families' genealogical book (the "green book") is being updated for the first time since the 1970s. Dr. A.M. (Mickey) Brabham has graciously agreed to gather the information on births, deaths, and marriages that have occurred since the 1970s among descendants of Joseph Brabham of Buford's Bridge. To include your family's information, please contact: Dr. A. M. Brabham III, 138 River Birch Lane, Columbia, SC 29206; telephone (803) 782-7434; email mckayiii@att.net.

BIRTHS:

William Harper McCully, son of Jason and Misty McCully, was born October 19, 2005. He is the great great grandson of the late Clarence and Virginia Nettles Brabham of Bamberg.

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Jacob David Fitton, son of Bruce and Ali Guess Fitton, was born November 16, 2005. He is the grandson of Mrs. Harry Guess (Gerry) and the late Dr. Guess.

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Julianna Likes Sojourner, daughter of Robert David (Jr.) and Christina Sojourner of Johns Island and granddaughter of Bob and Minnie Sojourner of Charleston, was born November 21, 2005.

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Twin boys, Nathaniel and Alexander, were born to J. Daniel and Julia Johnson in December of 2005. Daniel is the great grandson of the late Theo Alice Brabham & J. Frank Vega.

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MARRIAGES:

Kristi L. Sanders will wed Michael J. Myer on Saturday, September 30, 2006, in Charleston, SC. Kristi is the daughter of Susan S. and Edward L. Sanders of Charleston, SC. Kristi is the granddaughter of Julia Brabham Felder and S. Brown Sanders (both deceased) formerly of Charleston, SC.

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Margaret Durham Medlin and Dr. William Walter Brabham were married in Greenville, SC, on September 16, 2006. They will make their home in Durham, NC, where Will is a resident in internal medicine at Duke Medical Center and Margaret is a hospital pharmacist (Pharm.D.). Will is the son of Dr. and Mrs. A. M. Brabham, III of Columbia.

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Rachel Sarah Sojourner, daughter of Glenn and Ann Sojourner, married Scott M. Theobald on June 24, 2006.

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DEATHS:

S. Brown Sanders, widower of Julia Brabham Felder Sanders, died on February 1, 2006, in Charleston, SC. He was 92 years old.

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The Rev. Risher Brabham, 68, of Rock Hill, SC, died Tuesday, Aug. 15, 2006, at Carolinas Medical Center in Charlotte. He was a son of the late Vance Lyn Brabham and Cynthia Waters Brabham. He grew up in Florence

BRABHAM FAMILY NEWS

and received degrees from Wofford College and Duke University. As a member of the South Carolina United Methodist Conference, he served as minister of numerous churches and was director of the Wesley Foundation at Winthrop University from 1973 to 2000. He served on many Conference boards and councils and was a civic leader in many organizations. Especially important to him was his work promoting human rights, social justice and peace. Since the 1980s, he led many groups of volunteers to Central and South America, working on housing and health care. Surviving are his wife, Katherine Greiner Brabham; two sons and daughters-in-law, John Risher, Jr. and Gina Brabham. and Vance Lyn and Alison Brabham; daughter and son-in-law, Jan Mouzon Brabham and Jeff Kalil; his sister, Marilyn Lyles of Newport News, VA; his brother Vance Brabham of Florence; and nine grandchildren, Brooke Brabham, Jamie Benfield, Jordan Brabham, Shelby Vcelka, Luke Brabham, Murphy Kalil, Cannoy Kalil, Risher Kalil and Keefe Kalil.

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John William (Billy) Breland, husband of Joyce Kinard Breland of Walterboro, died January 1, 2006. He was 69 years old and had fought rheumatoid arthritis all of his adult life. Joyce is the great great granddaughter of William Rice Brabham. Billy was a descendant of William Spencer Breland who was born in the River's Bridge area. Joyce and Billy were married for 48 years.

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Jacqueline Felder Bridges, 88, of York, SC, died March 4, 2006, in Rock Hill. She was the daughter of the late Jacob Felder and the late Inez Brabham Felder. Mrs. Bridges was a retired English teacher and librarian with York High School and a retired librarian from Winthrop College. She was a graduate of Lander College and received a master's degree from Winthrop. She was married to the late Martin Luther Bridges. She was an active member of Trinity United Methodist Church in York. Survivors include her daughter, Julie Bridges Williamson and son-in-law, Harvey Williamson of Orangeburg; son, Martin Luther Bridges, Jr. and his wife, Sara, of Cary, NC; grandchildren Jessica and McLeod Williamson, Martin Bridges, Lauren and Sara Bridges, Adrienne Bridges Tello and her husband, Guilleamo; great-grandchildren, Zachary and Noah Tello.

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Master Sgt. Edward Sojourner, U.S. Army (Ret.) of Charleston, SC, died March 4, 2006. He was born May 31, 1929 in Birmingham, AL, son of the late James Harold Sojourner and Louise Bates Sojourner. He was a graduate of Orlando Junior College and a veteran of the Korean and Vietnam wars. He served as senior instructor U.S. Army ROTC at the Citadel and was an aide to General Mark W. Clark while at the Citadel. He is survived by sons, Wayne E. Sojourner and his wife, Cheryl, Glenn C. Sojourner and his wife, Ann, and Eric S. Sojourner and his wife, Debbie; a daughter, Joan E. Sojourner, all of Charleston; grandchildren, Rachelle and Rebecca Sojourner, a great grandson, Matthew M. Theobald; brothers, James, Jasper and Nathaniel; nieces, nephews and an aunt, Minnie Sojourner.

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Woodrow Wilson "Wilsie" Brabham, Sr., son of the late Robert F. and Daisy Brabham, died May 17, 2006, in Sumter, SC. Born in Bamberg County July 24, 1918, he was a veteran of WWII, having served in the U. S. Army Amphibian Engineers in New Guinea, the Philippines, and Japan. He was retired from Thomas and Howard Co. and for several years cared for his beloved wife, Joyce, who died in 2005.

He is survived by a son, Woodrow Wilson "Woodie" Brabham and daughter-in-law, Judy, of Easley; a daughter, Sylvia Spiegel, and son-in-law, Richard, of Sumter; a sister, Phronsie Gardner of Sumter; brothers, Robert F. "Bobby" Brabham of Georgetown and James H. Brabham of Rembert; six grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by four brothers, Lemacks, Carl, Moye, and John, and three sisters, Jeanette Elam, Mell Thames, and Cornelia, the latter of whom is buried in Mizpah churchyard. Although he spent most of his life in Dalzell, Sumter County, where the family moved in the 1920s, his roots ran deep at Mizpah and Buford's Bridge. He was descended from Joseph and Flora McPhail Brabham. Another ancestor was Reuben

BRABHAM FAMILY

Kirkland.

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Lemacks Franklin Brabham, son of James H. and Virginia Beard Brabham and grandson of the late Robert F. and Daisy Brabham, died on April 20, 2006, in Sumter, SC. He was born on September 16, 1950, and served in the U. S. Army from 1968 to 1976. Surviving, in addition to his parents, are daughters, MeLissa McElveen of Scranton, Jessica Brabham of Bishopville, and Kimberely Brabham, also of Bishopville; brothers, James H., Jr. of Rembert, Richard of Bishopville, Randolphe T. of Sumter, and John Jerold of Rembert; a sister, Jenny L. Bullock of Sumter; two grandchildren, Shane and Willow McElveen; and fiancée, Joyce Whidby of Conway. He was preceded in death by his wife, Ginny Martin Brabham, and a brother Robert Glen "Bobby" Brabham.

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Harry A. Guess, MD, PhD died January 1, 2006. He was born December 24, 1940, in New York City, the son of Harry A. Guess and Vista Brabham Guess. Following his mother's death shortly after his birth, he was adopted by his aunt, Dorothy Brabham Guess, who married his father. After his father's death in 1946, Dr. Guess lived with his adoptive mother in Bamberg, SC.

He attended Georgia Tech on a Navy ROTC scholarship and graduated in 1964 with both a B.S. and a M.S. After serving five and a half years in the United States Navy on Admiral Rickover's staff at the Atomic Energy Commission, he attended Stanford University where he received a Ph.D. in Mathematics and a M.S. in Operational Research. He spent two years at Bell Laboratories developing statistical models of communication networks and went to NIH to work on mathematical population genetics and biostatistics. There, he and others developed what has become a widely used method for calculating the statistical uncertainty in cancer risk estimates based on animal data. This work kindled an interest in taking a more biological approach to understanding human health risks. He enrolled in medical school at the University of Miami. (M.D. 1979) with epidemiologic research as his career goal. His residency training in pediatrics was at the University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill. He later added board certification in preventive medicine and public health.

In 1985, Harry established the Epidemiology Department at Merck Research Laboratories and retired as vice president from Merck in 2003, in order to become the first director of the University of North Carolina-GlaxoSmithKline Center of Excellence in Pharmacoepidemiology and Public Health at UNC, and professor of Epidemiology, Biostatistics and Pediatrics. He made notable contributions to research on vaccines, the natural history of complex disease, development and validation of clinical trial endpoints and patient reported outcomes, and pharmacoepidemiology, in many cases setting the industry standard. Harry was a Fellow of the American Academy of Pediatrics, the American College of Preventive Medicine, and the American College of Epidemiology. Dr. Guess received the Award for Sustained Scientific Excellence from the International Society for Pharmacoepidemiology in August 2005. Over the years, Harry was a mentor to numerous junior and senior scientists. His success in academia and research was remarkable, yet his research endeavors were always accomplished while pursuing one of his passions: teaching and advising graduate students

He is survived by his wife of 41 years, Geraldine Graflund Guess; two daughters, Carol Guess of Seattle, WA, and Alison Guess Fitton and her husband, Bruce Howard Fitton, and one grandchild, Jacob David Fitton of Burke, VA.

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GeDelle Brabham Young, 92, daughter of Vernon and Margaret Cope Brabham, died June 6, 2006, in Greenwood, SC. She is survived by her daughter, Margaret Cope Young Anderson and a brother, Vernon Brabham. Her two older sisters were Frances Jennings Brabham Turner of Tifton, GA, and Margaret Brabham McLean of Moultrie, GA. Her paternal grandparents were H.J. and Adelle Jennings Brabham of Bamberg. Her maternal grandparents were Angus and Frances Motte Salley Cope.

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BRABHAM FAMILY

Frances Fender Brabham, widow of the late Otis B. Brabham of Charleston, died September 12, 2005. She is survived by her two daughters, Martha B Hodge & Elizabeth Brabham, both of Charleston.

ITEMS OF INTEREST:

Captain Richard G. Cliff, Jr., married to Stacy Wagoner Cliff of Crumpler, NC, is currently deployed with the U.S. Army's 2nd Infantry Division in Iraq. Richard is the grandson of Julia Brabham Felder and S. Brown Sanders (both deceased). He is the son of Julie S. and Richard G. Cliff of Mt. Pleasant, SC.

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Dustin McCully, son of Brab and Cindy McCully, graduated from Bamberg Ehrhardt High School and plans to attend Presbyterian College at Clinton. He is the great grandson of the late Clarence and Virginia Brabham.

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Edward Frick, son of Carey and Mary Lillian Bamberg Frick, is a freshman at Clemson University this year. Edward is the grandson of Henry and Lillian Kirkland Bamberg.

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Trinity United Methodist Church in Bamberg named Mrs. Ginger McCully Methodist Woman of the Year for 2006.

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The September 2006 edition of Traditional Home magazine featured the Charleston garden of Patty and Peter McGee. Patty, the daughter of the late Dr. Carlisle Moore and the late Evelyn Brabham Moore, is noted for her work as an advocate for the preservation of heritage gardens and chairs the projects committee of the national organization, the Garden Conservancy.

News of the Descendants of Ollie Brabham

BIRTHS:

Brooke Nicole Kelley was born September 21, 2005, in Columbia, SC to Minister Leroy Kelley and Shaun H. Kelley. Seth Lamar was born December 28, 2005, in Glassboro, NJ, to Sharmaine and Stephen Lamar.

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MARRIAGES:

Roxanne Brabham married James Daniels February 7, 2006, in Atlanta, GA.

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DEATHS:

Lisa Marsha Sojourner died in Denmark, SC, November 3, 2005.

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BRABHAM FAMILY

ITEMS OF INTEREST:

Ervin & Grace Brabham of Govan, SC, are pleased to announce that three of their four children have completed Masters Degrees.

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Craig Tyler is employed as a broadcast specialist at Fox News in New York City.

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Yvonne B. Kelley is Minister of Friendship Baptist Church 2006 Columbia, SC.

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Minister Leroy Kelley, IV, was named Man of the Year at St. John Baptist Church Hopkins, SC.

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Carla R Edmunds, Senior Mass Communication Major at Frances Marion University in Florence, SC, was on the Dean's List for the entire school year and is currently on the National Dean's List.

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Lori Kelley is employed as a sales associate for BellSouth.

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Chris Sojourner is employed as a sale associate for BellSouth.

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The Rev. W.C. Brabham, interim pastor of Honey Ford Baptist Church in Denmark, SC, is at home recovering from knee surgery.

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Diane Davis of Jacksonville, FL received top producer of the quarter for Distinguished Realty Inc. She is currently home recovering from surgery.

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Charles Brown Jr. of Tallahassee, FL, received a BA in Business from Flagler University.

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Taneko Brown of Tallahassee, FL, received a BS Degree in Criminal Justice.

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Rev. Diane Fauntleroy of Philadelphia, PA, founded Souls Set Free Deliverance Center on April 16, 2006.

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Elaine Sanford received a BA in Social Work from Chestnut Hill University with honors.

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Pella Parker received license as a Registered Nurse.

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Michael Sanford, a graduate of Roxborough High School, was featured in the June 2006 issue of Ebony Magazine as Ebony's top black high school senior. He was vice president of the National Honor Society and a member of national Beta Club Honor. He is enrolled in Temple University.

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Christopher Brabham of Philadelphia PA, graduated from Grover Washington School.

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BRABHAM FAMILY

The Honorable Carrie Sojourner Simmons continues her successful term as the Mayor of Denmark, SC.

If you know of Brabham family members who are not receiving notice of the Mizpah reunion, please send names and addresses to Nan O'Neal Campbell, 1262 Steele St., Denver, CO 80206.



Mr. & Mrs. David Sojourner



Brabham Family

KEARSE FAMILY NEWS

BIRTHS:

Lauren and Josh Covington of Columbus, GA, are the proud parents of a baby girl, Jillian Claire, born on August 2, 2006. Lauren and Josh have another daughter, 2-year old Reese. Reese and Jillian are the granddaughters of Louise Williams Dodds and the great-granddaughters of Laura Williams Kirby of Bamberg.

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Edward (Butch) and Jennifer (Morris) Weber are proud to announce the birth of their second daughter, Haley Nicole, born September 29th at 3:25 in the afternoon. Haley weighed in at 6 lbs. 8 ozs. and was 18 1/2 inches long. Haley is the granddaughter of Philip L. and Debra (Hughes) Morris and the great granddaughter of Amanda (Proveaux) Morris.

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DEATHS:

James Grady Kearsse died August 30, 2006. He was preceded in death by his beloved wife of 54 years, Lula Edmonds Kearsse and son, Mike Harley Kearsse.

Grady was born January 24, 1922, in Ehrhardt. He was the son of the late Henry Angus and Anabell Boynton Kearsse.

Grady was a veteran of WWII serving as an enlisted aviator and retired as a lieutenant in 1967.

All of us who loved him are lucky – very lucky – to have known him.

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Esther Sease Mathias Kearsse, 89, died September 14, 2006. She was predeceased in death by her husband, H.A. Kearsse. She was retired Postmistress of Ulmer.

A celebration of life was held Saturday, September 16 at Ehrhardt Memorial Lutheran Church with The Rev. Timothy D. Bryson and The Rev. J. Henri Bishop officiating. Burial was at the Great Salkehatchie Cemetery on U.S. Hwy 301/321 in Ulmer.

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MARRIAGES:

Laura Elizabeth Meats (Lael) married Lawrence Anthony Arango, Jr. (Tim) on November 26, 2005, in a small garden wedding in Tampa, FL. Lael is the daughter of Mary Beth Williams Harris and the granddaughter of Laura Williams Kirby and the late Col. Louis Albert Williams.

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ITEMS OF INTEREST:

Cassie Kemmerlin, daughter of Steve and Terri Kernmerlin of Varnville, was selected as the Governor's S.C. School Citizen for Varnville Elementary School for the 2005/2006 school term. The criteria for selection was based on leadership ability, academics, community involvement, the ability to communicate effectively with faculty and students, and general overall conduct. The awards ceremony was held in May at the State Capitol. Gov. Mark Sanford presented her the S.C. School Citizen Award

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along with other award winners. Each student was privileged to shake Gov. Sanford's hand and an opportunity to take a photo with him. Cassie is currently a 5th grade student at Hampton Elementary School. She is the granddaughter of Betty K. Kemmerlin Wells and the late Harold Kemmerlin. Also, she is the granddaughter of Jean Rollins and the late Bobby Rollins of Newberry.

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Director of External Affairs, Waddy Thompson, comes to OPERA America with more than two decades of experience in fundraising and communication for organizations such as the New York Foundation for the Arts (NYFA), American Music Center, and Whitney Museum of American Art. His accomplishments at NYFA include raising more than \$3 million annually and taking the lead in NYFA's Web site. His first-hand knowledge of opera comes from his background as a composer (including a doctorate in music and composition of two operas) and as a past board member of Encompau New Opera Theatre. Additionally, he is the author of The Complete Idiot's Guide to Grant Writing and is a frequent lecturer on grant writing and other topics. Waddy is the son of Elizabeth "Pert" Kearsse Thompson and the late Waddy Thompson.

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Robby and Tricia Hastings are proud adoptive parents of a beautiful daughter they have named Lorrie Cecile (Celia) Hastings after her great grandmother, Lorraine Kearsse Clark, and grandmothers, Dorothy Lorraine Hastings and Patricia Cecile Nichols. She was born on December 26, 2005, and welcomed into their hearts on February 10, 2006.

Robby is the son of Van and Dot Hastings and the grandson of Fred and the late Lorraine Kearsse Clark and James and Rachel Hastings. Tricia is the daughter of Lamar and Patricia Nichols and the granddaughter of Margie Ann and the late David C. Martin and the late T.F. and Dorothy Nichols.

Robby, who is employed by the Georgia Power Company, has been transferred from the Atlanta area back to the Valdosta, GA, area. Their new home in Nashville, GA, places Robby, Tricia and Celia much closer to both of their families in Valdosta and Pavo, GA.

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Carrie Clark, daughter of Amy and Rick Clark of Richmond, VA, began her pursuit of a Masters Degree in Communications at NC State University in August of 2006. She will be a Graduate Teaching Assistant during her two years in Raleigh, NC. Carrie is the granddaughter of Fred and the late Lorraine Kearsse Clark.

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Amanda Bullington, daughter of Gwen and Joe Bullington and granddaughter of the late Grady and Lula Kearsse, is a sophomore at the University of South Carolina in Columbia.

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Jessamine Jowers, daughter of Brenda and Walter Jowers and granddaughter of the late Grady and Lula Kearsse, is a senior at University School of Nashville in Nashville, TN.

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Chatham Harris earned the rank of Eagle Scout in August 2006. Chatham is the son of Stephen and Lynne Kearsse Harris and the grandson of Joyce and Clyde Kearsse. Chatham and his father receive the

JAMES GRADY KEARSE

JANUARY 24, 1922 - AUGUST 30, 2006



Grady enjoyed nothing more than taking photographs at the Mizpah reunion. Many of the photographs published in the Mizpah reunion books were taken by Grady Kearse.

Last spring, Grady's granddaughter, Jess, wrote a paper for her 11th grade English class. It was a celebration of Mr. Kearsse's life entitled, "The Luckiest Man Alive." As you hear about his life - which was long, purposeful and exemplary - I think you'll agree.

Grady was born on his family's farm in 1922. Like most boys of that time, he had to work on the farm. Grady started out a peanut fanner. Later, he took his peanuts to town, and became a peanut salesman.

Grady joined the Navy when he was just a teenager. By great good fortune, he shipped out of Pearl Harbor just a few days before the devastating Japanese attack of December 1941. Grady became a Naval aviator, and finished flight school just after the War was over.

Miraculously, Mr. Kearsse did all his country asked of him during his service in the Navy, yet his timing was such that he didn't have to see combat during those trying times.

Grady Kearsse was meant to be a family man. He married his sweetheart, Lula Edmonds, in 1949. Grady and Lula were a beautiful and loving - couple. Soon after Grady and Lula were married, Grady adopted Mike Harley, Lula's son by a previous marriage. In 1953, Grady and Lula's older daughter, Brenda, was born. Their younger daughter, Gwen, came along in 1954.

Grady Kearsse served in the Navy until 1967, taking his family to Naval stations all over the world. When his military service was over, Grady brought his young family to his home place in Kline. There, Grady wasn't just the head of his household, he was also the family historian. He chronicled his family's travels, celebrations, triumphs and trials in words, drawings, photographs and home movies. Grady's daughters will tell you: a goodly part of the Kearsse home is filled with those treasures still today.

By any measure, Grady Kearsse was a good and loving father, a man who led by example. Grady was a serious man with a playful streak. His daughters remember fondly the many hours that Grady spent teaching them to swim, ride bikes and roller-skate. Later, he taught them how to drive - and even repair - the family car.

By the time the 1970s rolled around, Grady's family had matured. Grady's younger daughter, Gwen, married Joe Bullington in 1977. Gwen and Joe gave Grady and Lula their first granddaughter, Amanda, in 1986.

In 1980, Brenda married Walter Jowers. In 1988, they blessed Grady and Lula with their second granddaughter, Jessamine, who just happens to be named after the South Carolina state flower.

Years later, after his granddaughters reached driving age, Grady enjoyed nothing more than putting Amanda on his golf cart, or Jess on one of his tractors, and seeing just how fast they'd go. Grady rigged up a strap on the golf cart, to keep Amanda from flying out of her seat, and he just flat-out raced tractors with Jess. "You want to go further or faster?" Grady asked Jess.

She answered, "Both, granddaddy. Further and faster."





In 1998, Lula's health started to decline. Lula had survived heart surgery, abdominal surgery and a car crash, but she didn't have the strength to overcome a failing heart, failing lungs and Alzheimer's disease.

For nearly six years, Grady kept faithful watch, and became Lula's nurse. Every day, Grady would manage Lula's oxygen, feed her, give her medicine and injections, and take her for drives through Barnwell, where they'd "see the sights." Eventually, Lula lost her sight, and her short-term memory. There was nothing more Grady could show her, and little he could say that she would remember.

Grady's son-in-law, Walter, shares this remembrance: "One day when it was pouring rain, and not at all a good day to drive into town, I watched Grady help Lula out of bed, and into the car. Then, he drove in circles around the house, over and over again."

"When Grady got back, he put Lula to bed, and then shared with me: 'I told Lula we were driving through Barnwell. I told her all about the flowers, the fine houses and the sunset. I think she enjoyed it.'"

As Lula's Alzheimer's disease worsened, she took to repeating things. Near the end of her life, she was down to this recitation: "It sure is a pretty place we have out here. I just love that big tree out back. And Grady's such a good man. All of our friends just love him."

Grady Kearsé was tough, tender and generous. About as good as a man gets. What his family needed, he provided. By anybody's measure, Grady Kearsé led an exemplary life. Grady's sons-in-law will tell you there's no better example, and no finer man than Grady Kearsé.

If Grady had a fault, it was that he was a little too generous. When friends or family spent the night at Grady's house, they'd always wake up to the smell of grits, eggs, sausage and coffee. He insisted on doing all the cooking, and wouldn't let anybody else near the stove.

Even while Grady was serving up breakfast, he'd be digging through the refrigerator, offering everybody juice, jelly, tomatoes, pickles everything he had. He wouldn't quit offering until everybody quit eating.

Every time a guest left Grady's house, he'd follow them out the door trying to give them drinks and sandwiches for the road. Nobody could leave Grady's house without at least taking a watermelon.

Last Wednesday, Grady Kearsé got up, and made his last breakfast oatmeal milk, and little glass of orange juice. He didn't feel well, though, so he put his breakfast in the refrigerator, and headed for the bed that he'd shared with Lula for 54 years. When he got to their bedroom, he stopped one step short of the bed, then went and joined Lula in heaven.

Grady Kearsé was - and is - a very lucky man. As Lula said, everybody who knew Grady well loved him. And all of us who loved him are lucky - very lucky - to have known him.





KEARSE FAMILY

Order of the Arrow in the spring.

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Lynne Kearse Harris received her Master of Education Degree, from Columbia College on August 13, 2006. Lynne is the daughter of Joyce and Clyde Kearse.

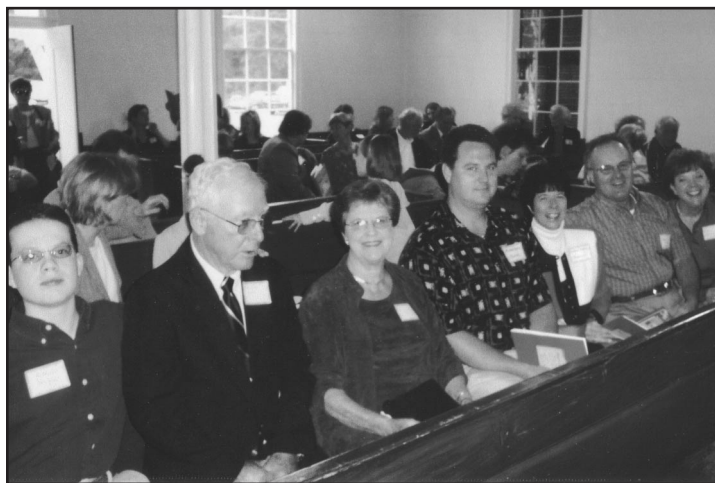
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Amanda, Joe, Gwen Kearse Bullington, Grady Kearse



Kearse/O'Neal



Chatham Harris, Clyde & Joyce Kearse,
Brian & Deborah Waltz, T Bo & Lynn Kearse



Steve & Debbie Proveaux, William Kearse Proveaux,
Ruth Proveaux McMilln, Anne McMillan Biggers

KEARSE FAMILY



Evelyn Kears, George & Lynn Dickerson,
Emanuel Jimmy & Sudie Mae Rentz Brimfoot



Mr. & Mrs. George Kears, Mike Kears - 91



George Kears & Francis Kears



Geraldine Murray, Wynette Stiltz, Bill & Lois Craven Kears



The Kears Family "Lemonade Crew"
Robbie, Ricky, McKay and other Kears family members

MEMORY LANE



An interesting old picture. L to R - Hal Kemmerlin (Kearse), Ann Thompson (Kearse), Meg Clinkscales (visitor), Robin Kemmerlin (Kearse), Clint Smoak (Moye), Chris Threatt (visitor), Brad Penley - child (Kearse) (Marian Moye Smoak's grandson from Salisbury, NC.)



Genie Bellamy & Marian Moye Smoak
(Genie Bellamy was a visitor every year for 30 years.)

KIRKLAND FAMILY NEWS

BIRTHS:

Jenny and Tripp Kemp are proud to announce the birth of their son, Thomas James Kemp. Thomas was born June 22, 2006. The new family resides in Orangeburg, SC.

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Sonja and John Paulk are proud to announce the birth of their daughter, Eliana Grace Paulk. 'Lia' was born July 7, 2006. The new family resides in Florence, South Carolina.

Tripp and Sonja are descendants of Thomas Edward Kemp, Hattie Belle Gillam, Mary Josephine Kirkland, Reuben Kirkland 111, George Kirkland, and Reuben Kirkland.

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DEATHS:

Carolyn Kirkland Welmer (88) died on February 28, 2006. She was the daughter of Ione Toney and James Hamilton Kirkland. She is survived by three children, Henry Otto Welmer, III, of Ormond Beach, FL; Helen Welmer Chumley of Crystal Lake, IL; Nick Kirkland Wehner of Marianna, FL, and one grandson, Andrew Chumley and his wife, Julie, of Dallas, TX. She had four Kirkland sisters who preceded her in death and one remaining and dear sister, Kathryn Kirkland Johnson, (90) who lives in Daytona Beach, FL.

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Ruth Snelling Linley died in July 2006 in Columbia, SC. She was the daughter of Cornelia Pauline Black and Jack Snelling and the granddaughter of Pauline (Lena) Kirkland and Paul D. Black. Surviving her are a daughter and son-in-law, Sarah and Jay Clingman, and two granddaughters, Hannah and Rebecca Clingman, of Columbia, SC.

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Rev. & Mrs. Harold Kirkland
Jennings Morris
Laura K. Kirby
Marian Smoak
Genie Bellamy

KIRKLAND FAMILY NEWS

MARRIAGES:

In a beautiful sunset garden setting on June 3, 2006, Ashleigh Elina Kemp and Bryan Duncan Skelton were married at the home of the bride's parents, Tom and Penny Kemp, in Turbeville, SC. Ashleigh and Duncan are both graduates of Clemson University and have a home in Greer, SC. Ashleigh is a descendant of Thomas Edward Kemp, Hattie Belle Gillam, Mary Josephine Kirkland, Reuben Kirkland III, George Kirkland, and Reuben Kirkland.

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Russell Walker Kirkland and Juliann Kennihan were married on June 17, 2006, in Clemson, SC. They are now making their home in Atlanta, GA. Russ is the son of Margaret Kirkland Worsham of Clemson, SC, and the grandson of the late Norman and Eloise Kirkland of Bamberg.

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Crystal McKettrick and Wesley Storey were married on June 30, 2006, in Harlem, GA. The bride is the granddaughter of Laura Ann Kirkland McKettrick and the great-granddaughter of the late Aileen and Claude Kirkland.

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Miss Elizabeth Ann Stoudenmire, daughter of Benjamin Joel Stoudenmire, was married July 2006 in Greenville, SC. Joel is the grandson of the late Benjamin Brown Kirkland of Columbia, SC.

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ITEMS OF INTEREST:

Claude Wayne McKettrick, son of Laura Ann Kirkland McKettrick, retired from the US Naval Reserve as Commanding Officer (CO) of MOMAU II Det. I on March 5, 2006. A ceremony was held on that date in his honor on the USS Yorktown (CV- 10), Charleston, SC. He served in the Navy and Reserve for 31 years.

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Norma Kirkland was awarded the 2006 Faculty Excellence Award for Columbia College. The award is based on dedication to teaching, scholarship, and service. Norma is a faculty member in the Columbia College Department of Music where she is responsible for the Music Education Program. Norma is the daughter of the late Norman and Eloise Kirkland of Bamberg.

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Betty Jane Miller, George Kirkland line, was elected Edisto District Director of the SC Division UDC in February 2006. She will be installed at the SC Division Convention in Greenville, SC, on October 14, 2006.

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KIRKLAND FAMILY NEWS

Edward Frick, son of Mary Lillian Bamberg and Carey Frick, is a freshman at Clemson University this year. Edward is the grandson of Henry and Lillian Kirkland Bamberg of Bamberg, SC.

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Mary Linda Kemp Stevenson was admitted into the Daughters of the American Revolution in a new chapter as a charter member honoring her ancestor, Reuben Kirkland, Sr. She was also admitted into the Ann White Chapter of the United Daughters of the Confederacy honoring Captain George Hampton Kirkland. She is a descendant of Thomas Edward Kemp, Hattie Belle Gillam, Mary Josephine Kirkland, Reuben Kirkland 111, George Kirkland, and Reuben Kirkland.

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Ellen and Bill Gilmore were in New Orleans for his 111th annual Sons of Confederate Veterans Convention. It was the 100th anniversary of Gen. Stephen Dill Lee giving his famous charge to uphold the honor of our brave Confederate ancestors who valiantly defended our Southern Homeland from the Yankee invaders. Both of Bill's great-grandfathers, on the Kirkland side fought in Haygoods Regiment, South Carolina Infantry.

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Curt Illies, husband of Ruthie Snelling, took an early retirement from Delta airlines on June 1 with over 24 years of service as a pilot. He retired as a Boeing 767 Captain. He is now employed as a pilot by NetJets Aviation of Columbus, Ohio. Ruthie is still at Delta, with over 25 years as a Flight Attendant. Ruthie is the daughter of Dorothy Brown and Jack Snelling and is the granddaughter of Cornelia Black and J.J. Snelling and the great-granddaughter of Pauline Kirkland and Paul D. Black.

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Mary Beth Watson Manheim was promoted to Associate Professor, Information and Decision Sciences, in the College of Business Administration at University of Illinois, Chicago. She has also been named Director of the Center for Research in Information Management in the College.

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Caroline Nicholson Watson was promoted to Major in the South Carolina State Guard on September 8, 2006. The State Guard, a division of the South Carolina Military Department under the direction and control of the Governor, is an all-volunteer organization that assists local and state law enforcement in ongoing operations and provides training and resources for post-disaster relief. South Carolina's State Guard is the oldest in the nation, having been formed in 1670. Membership is open to most South Carolina citizens without regard for prior military experience.

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Cal Watson is serving as the 2006-2007 President of the South Carolina Bar Foundation, a not-for-profit, charitable and educational organization that administers the Interest On Lawyer Trust Accounts (IOLTA) program and funds law-related services for the public and professional enrichment of members of the Bar. Mary Beth, Caroline and Cal are children of Mike and Mary Carolyn Watson and grandchildren of the late John and Bess Kirkland Tatum of Bamberg.

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KIRKLAND FAMILY NEWS

The Clemson University Alumni Association recognized Margaret Kirkland Worsham as one of five recipients of 2005 Distinguished Service Award, the university's highest alumni honor. DSA winners demonstrate a dedication to enhancing the value of the university for future generations; service to church, community, profession and public service; and personal accomplishments that serve as a model for present and future Clemson students. Margaret is the daughter of the late Norman and Eloise Kirkland of Bamberg.

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Attention: Linda Stevenson and Gene Jarrell will be available outside after the reunion meeting to help all Kirklands upgrade the "Mizpah Book".



Mary Carolyn Watson



Mr. & Mrs. Harold Kirkland



L to R - ???, ???, Betty Jane Miller,
Bill & Ellen Gilmore, Gene Jarrell

McMILLAN FAMILY NEWS

BIRTHS:

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Dr. Vickie McMillan and Ted Brasovich announce the birth of a daughter, Jenna, born February 20, 2006. Vickie is a dentist at Virginia Beach, Virginia.

Her parents are Mr. and Mrs. Joe McMillan of Bamberg.

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David and Jennifer McMillan are proud parents of their son, David Sloan McMillan, born June 2006. Mr. and Mrs. James Francis McMillan are great grandparents.

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Robert and Ashley Pek, daughter of Randy and Lynn Stumbo gave birth to a beautiful little boy, Dawson Bradley, on April 3, 2006. He was welcomed home by his little sister, Addison Peak, who is 2 1/2 years old. Ashley is the granddaughter of Carolyn McMillan Werrix and Bradley Werrix.

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DEATHS:

Myrtle Hughes Boineau, 94, of Adams Run, died Friday, July 21, 2006, at Presbyterian Home in Summerville. Myrtle was a descendant of James Jefferson Hughes, Olivia McMillan, Richard C. McMillan, Major James William McMillan and Hugh McMillan.

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Hermine Beard McMillan of the Colston Community died April 20, 2006, at the Bamberg County Nursing Center. She was the daughter of Joseph C. Beard and Harriet Anne Zeigler Beard. She was married to the late Perry Lee McMillan.

Survivors include two sons and their families - Joe McMillan of Bamberg and Ronald McMillan of Bamberg; two daughters and their families - Harriett M. Hore of Orangeburg and Gwendolyn M. Kearse of Summerville; one brother, Joseph C. Beard, of Chatsworth, CA; eight grandchildren and ten great grandchildren.

Burial was in the McMillan Cemetery in Colston Community.

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McMILLAN FAMILY NEWS

MARRIAGE:

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Ashleigh is a descendant of Annie Mae Huges Kemp, James Jefferson Hughes, Olivia McMillan, Richard C. McMillan, Major James William McMillan and Hugh McMillan.

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ITEMS OF INTEREST:

Kirby Murdaugh of Bamberg and Paul Hesse, Jr., announce their engagement. The wedding is planned for October 21, 2006.

The bride-elect is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Murdaugh, Jr., of Bamberg and the granddaughter of Ann P. McMillan and the late Furman McMillan. The bride-groom elect is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Hesse of Beaufort.

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Brian Scott Ellis is engaged to Mary Katherine Phillips of Savannah, GA. The wedding is planned for December 9, 2006, at Savannah.

Mary Katherine is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Phillips of Savannah. Brian is the son of Bruce and Beth McMillan Ellis of Bamberg.

Mary Katherine received both a Bachelor and Masters Degree in Civil Engineering from Clemson University. She is currently employed in engineering for U.S. Army Corps of Engineers in Savannah.

Brian is a graduate of the Citadel with a Bachelors Degree in Civil Engineering and a 2003 graduate of Clemson University with a Masters Degree in Civil Engineering. Captain Ellis is an active member of the U.S. Air Force and is currently serving in Guam.

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Air Force Captain, Brian Ellis, has returned from his tour of duty in Iraq. He was stationed in Tikrit, Iraq, from April through October 2005. At present, he is serving in the U.S. Army Air Force in Guam.

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Steve Proveaux
Anne McMillan Biggers
Ruth McMillan
Will Proveaux
Debbie Proveaux

MOYE FAMILY NEWS

MARRIAGES:

Sarah Moyer Young's granddaughter, Patricia Beattie McClure, also daughter of Susan Y. and Wesley McClure of Raleigh, NC, was married July 23, 2006, at Nag's Head, NC, to Michael Delfin of New York City. The groom's mother performed the wedding ceremony among the large number of both family members and a few close friends of the couple.

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ITEMS OF INTEREST:

Marion Moyer Smoak and her family of 21 enjoyed their yearly beach reunion in June 2006. They have rented the same beachfront cottage at Garden City for years. It's a week that Marion enjoys the children, grandchildren and great 'grans' — a special week of togetherness.

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In May, Tricia, a rising senior at Pratt College of Art in Brooklyn, won first place in the college category at the International Art Show for her documentary video. Her degree is in Classic Film Making.

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Marion Moyer Houck Smoak's large family is adding a new member in February. Marion's granddaughter and her husband, Ashley and Derek Ramsey, of Daniel Island, SC, are expecting a second child! They have a daughter, Morgan, who is 2 1/2 years old. This will be Marion's fifth (5th) great grandchild!

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Linda Smoak Weiland and husband, Terry, (teachers in the Dodd Schools in London, England) spent several weeks at home this summer. They will return again for the Christmas holidays spending time with Marion and family and Terry's family in Beaufort, SC.

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George Moyer Dickinson, III, was honored on his 60th birthday, July 31st, 2006, with a surprise party. Many members of his extended family and a number of friends gathered for what became quite a "family reunion" as well as birthday party. George Moyer is the youngest grandchild of G. Moyer, Sr. and Minnie Johnson Dickinson.

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Charles Price and his wife, Judy, have moved to Columbia to be near his 96 year old mother, Sara. Charles is the grandson of L.C. and Florine Dickinson Price and is a retired Baptist minister.

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Martha Moyer Dickinson Peel and husband, Chandler, toured the west coast this past summer with a group from Coker College. Martha Moyer is the daughter of G.M., Jr., and Hortense Sandifer Dickinson.

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Doug Keel and his wife, Karel, enjoy traveling at length in their motor home. Doug indulged his love

MOYE FAMILY NEWS

of Clemson baseball by following the Tigers to many games including the College World Series in Omaha. Doug is the son of L.D. and Rebecca Dickinson Keel.

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Marian Moye Smoak
Betty Kears Wells
Claudia Kirkland Sandifer
(June Kears in background)

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Items of Interest

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ETV speaking to family members at last year's reunion.

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