# Descendants of Ruffin Brown

#### Generation No. 1

**1.** RUFFIN<sup>1</sup> BROWN was born 1765 in Henry Co., Virginia, and died April 18, 1838 in Williamson Co., Tennessee. He married (1) JEAN JAMISON 1794 in Franklin Co., Virginia. She died Unknown. He married (2) MARY SUDBURY Aft. 1794. She died Unknown.

Children of RUFFIN BROWN and JEAN JAMISON are:

- i. ANN M.<sup>2</sup> BROWN, d. Unknown; m. JAMES HARVEY NANCE; d. Unknown.
- ii. JOHN J. BROWN, d. Unknown.
- iii. MARTHA BROWN, d. Unknown; m. THOMAS STACY; d. Unknown.
- iv. MARY H. BROWN, d. Unknown; m. EDWARD SUCITTE; d. Unknown.
- v. PATSEY BROWN, d. Unknown.
- vi. WILLIAM H. BROWN, d. Unknown.
- vii. JESSE BROWN, b. December 25, 1806, Williamson Co., Tennessee; d. April 09, 1884, Silver Springs, Mississippi.

#### Generation No. 2

**2.** JESSE<sup>2</sup> BROWN (*RUFFIN*<sup>1</sup>) was born December 25, 1806 in Williamson Co., Tennessee, and died April 09, 1884 in Silver Springs, Mississippi. He married MARY "POLLY" JULINA NANCE. She died Unknown.

Children of JESSE BROWN and MARY NANCE are:

- i. BYRD RUFFIN<sup>3</sup> BROWN, b. December 21, 1832, Wayne Co., Tennessee; d. Unknown.
  - ii. SALLY CORDELIA JANE BROWN, b. October 27, 1834; d. Unknown; m. BENJAMIN JONES; d. Unknown.
  - iii. CALDONIA ANN CONSTANTIA BROWN, b. March 03, 1841, Tippah Co., MS; d. Unknown; m. (1) J. A. SMITH; d. Unknown; m. (2) M. M. WALKER; d. Unknown.
  - iv. MARY TENNESSEE IONE BROWN, b. April 24, 1844, Tippah Co., MS; d. Unknown; m. HARRIS TAYLOR; d. Unknown
- 4. v. FLORENCE MADORA BROWN, b. February 14, 1847, Tippah Co., MS; d. January 07, 1914, Barry Co., TX.
  - vi. HOLAND JESSIE BROWN, b. April 03, 1850, Tippah Co., MS; d. Unknown; m. JAMES WHITEHURST; d. Unknown.
  - vii. JOSEPH T. BROWN, b. 1855, Tippah Co., MS; d. Unknown.
  - viii. MARCY BROWN, b. 1859, Tippah Co., MS; d. Unknown.

## Generation No. 3

**3.** BYRD RUFFIN<sup>3</sup> BROWN (*JESSE*<sup>2</sup>, *RUFFIN*<sup>1</sup>) was born December 21, 1832 in Wayne Co., Tennessee, and died Unknown. He married CATHERINE TEMPERANCE BUCHANAN September 03, 1851 in Mississippi, daughter of JOSEPH BUCHANAN and MARTHA BUCHANAN. She was born Abt. 1835 in North Carolina, and died Unknown.

Children of BYRD BROWN and CATHERINE BUCHANAN are:

i. TOM4 BROWN, d. Unknown.

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- ii. JESSIE RUFFIN BROWN, b. 1853, Ripley, Tippah Co., MS; d. Unknown.
- 6. iii. FLORENCE IONE BROWN, b. March 20, 1859, Tippah Co., Mississippi; d. March 05, 1904, Burnsville, Mississippi.
- **4.** FLORENCE MADORA<sup>3</sup> BROWN (*JESSE*<sup>2</sup>, *RUFFIN*<sup>1</sup>) was born February 14, 1847 in Tippah Co., MS, and died January 07, 1914 in Barry Co., TX. She married JOHN ROBERT NOBLE. He died Unknown.

Children of FLORENCE BROWN and JOHN NOBLE are:

- i. ROBERT LEON<sup>4</sup> NOBLE, b. October 07, 1866, Tippah Co., MS; d. Unknown.
- ii. HOLLAND MADORA NOBLE, b. September 20, 1868, Tippah Co., MS; d. Unknown.
- 7. iii. FLORENCE IONE NOBLE, b. March 15, 1871, Silver Springs, Tippah Co., MS; d. March 15, 1971, Houston, Harris Co., TX.

- 8. iv. WALTER BYRD NOBLE, b. July 15, 1871, Tippah Co., MS; d. Unknown.
  - v. ANNIE BEALE NOBLE, b. December 06, 1874, Tippah Co., MS; d. Unknown; m. MARVIN WOSSUM; d. Unknown.
- 9. vi. CHARLES OAKLEY NOBLE, b. June 07, 1878, Tippah Co., MS; d. Unknown.
  - vii. ALMA GRACE NOBLE, b. May 16, 1886, Tippah Co., MS; d. Unknown; m. \*\*\* BINGHAM; d. Unknown.
- 10. viii. LESTER LOVE NOBLE, b. September 11, 1891, Tippah Co., MS; d. Unknown.

#### Generation No. 4

**5.** JESSIE RUFFIN<sup>4</sup> BROWN (*BYRD RUFFIN*<sup>3</sup>, *JESSE*<sup>2</sup>, *RUFFIN*<sup>1</sup>) was born 1853 in Ripley, Tippah Co., MS, and died Unknown. He married LUCINDA "LOU" MITCHELL 1872 in Corinth, Alcorn Co., MS. She died Unknown.

## Children of JESSIE BROWN and LUCINDA MITCHELL are:

- i. JAMES BYRD<sup>5</sup> BROWN, b. 1874, Ripley, Tippah Co., MS; d. Unknown.
- ii. LULA IONE BROWN, b. 1876, Ripley, Tippah Co., MS; d. Unknown.
- 11. iii. EDGAR BROWN, b. December 18, 1878; d. Unknown.
  - iv. LOTTIE BROWN, b. November 10, 1880; d. Unknown.
- **6.** FLORENCE IONE<sup>4</sup> BROWN (*BYRD RUFFIN*<sup>3</sup>, *JESSE*<sup>2</sup>, *RUFFIN*<sup>1</sup>) was born March 20, 1859 in Tippah Co., Mississippi, and died March 05, 1904 in Burnsville, Mississippi. She married CHARLES ANDERSON ISOM September 04, 1881 in Corinth, Alcorn Co., Mississippi, son of BRYANT ISOM and LUCINDA BLAKENEY. He was born December 03, 1855 in Alabama, and died April 20, 1938 in Spruce Pine, Alabama.

#### Notes for FLORENCE IONE BROWN:

Florence Ione Brown Isom died in 1904 when her youngest son, Fred,was nine years old. Not much is known about her ecept that she was an exceptional seamstress. The family of Fred Brown Isom still has an exquisitely hand sewn and embroidered baby gown that was made for him before 1895. Another branch of the family still has a hand embroidered guilt made by Florence.

## Children of FLORENCE BROWN and CHARLES ISOM are:

- 12. i. GERTRUDE HOLLAND<sup>5</sup> ISOM, b. November 25, 1882, Glen, Alcorn Co., MS; d. June 01, 1960, Colbert Co.,
- ii. BYRD BRYANT ISOM, b. September 06, 1884, Glen, Alcorn Co., MS; d. November 04, 1930, Cornith, Alcorn Co., MS.
- 14. iii. CHARLES BRYCE ISOM, b. May 07, 1887, Burnsville, Tishomingo Co., MS; d. March 03, 1955, Franklin Co., AL.
- 15. iv. WORLEY EDWARD ISOM, b. July 27, 1889, Burnsville, Tishomingo Co., MS; d. August 02, 1959, Tuscumbia, Colbert Co., AL.
- 16. v. LEEOTIA C. ISOM, b. April 03, 1891, Burnsville, Tishomingo Co., MS; d. April 27, 1969, Franklin Co., AL.
  - vi. JESSIE DUDLEY ISOM, b. September 04, 1892; d. Abt. 1905.

More About JESSIE DUDLEY ISOM: Burial: Unknown, Saulsbury, Tennessee

- 17. vii. FRED BROWN ISOM, b. March 08, 1895, Saulsbury, Hardin Co., Tennessee; d. May 30, 1987, Hawk Pride Mtn, Tuscumbia, Colbert Co., Alabama.
- **7.** FLORENCE IONE<sup>4</sup> NOBLE (*FLORENCE MADORA*<sup>3</sup> *BROWN, JESSE*<sup>2</sup>, *RUFFIN*<sup>1</sup>) was born March 15, 1871 in Silver Springs, Tippah Co., MS, and died March 15, 1971 in Houston, Harris Co., TX. She married JAMES BARBER WELLS. He died Unknown.

## Children of FLORENCE NOBLE and JAMES WELLS are:

- i. MALCOLM STERLING<sup>5</sup> WELLS, b. November 24, 1900, Corsicana, TX; d. December 25, 1981, Bastrip.
- 18. ii. LYNDELL LEE WELLS, b. June 15, 1902, Corsicana, TX; d. May 17, 1988, Houston, Harris Co., TX.
- 19. iii. JIMMIE HAZEL WELLS, b. November 23, 1904, Barry, TX; d. November 03, 1970, Corpus Christi, Nueces Co., TX.
- 20. iv. ROLFE GARRETT WELLS, b. December 01, 1906, Barry, TX; d. March 05, 1987, Houston, Harris Co., TX.
- 21. v. ROBERT SLOAN WELLS, b. Private.

**8.** WALTER BYRD<sup>4</sup> NOBLE (*FLORENCE MADORA*<sup>3</sup> *BROWN, JESSE*<sup>2</sup>, *RUFFIN*<sup>1</sup>) was born July 15, 1871 in Tippah Co., MS, and died Unknown. He married (1) LINNIE KNIGHT. She died Unknown.

Child of WALTER BYRD NOBLE is:

- 22. i. ARTHUR KNIGHT<sup>5</sup> NOBLE, b. Private.
- **9.** CHARLES OAKLEY<sup>4</sup> NOBLE (*FLORENCE MADORA*<sup>3</sup> *BROWN*, *JESSE*<sup>2</sup>, *RUFFIN*<sup>1</sup>) was born June 07, 1878 in Tippah Co., MS, and died Unknown. He married Top. She died Unknown.

Children of CHARLES NOBLE and TOP are:

- i. CHARLES OAKLEY NOBLE<sup>5</sup> JR., b. Private.
- ii. LULA MAE NOBLE, b. Private.
- **10.** LESTER LOVE<sup>4</sup> NOBLE (*FLORENCE MADORA*<sup>3</sup> *BROWN, JESSE*<sup>2</sup>, *RUFFIN*<sup>1</sup>) was born September 11, 1891 in Tippah Co., MS, and died Unknown. He married MITTIE. She died Unknown.

Child of LESTER NOBLE and MITTIE is:

i. BERNON<sup>5</sup> NOBLE, b. Private.

#### Generation No. 5

**11.** EDGAR<sup>5</sup> BROWN (*JESSIE RUFFIN*<sup>4</sup>, *BYRD RUFFIN*<sup>3</sup>, *JESSE*<sup>2</sup>, *RUFFIN*<sup>1</sup>) was born December 18, 1878, and died Unknown. He married BELLE MACKEY April 12, 1904 in Tuscumbia, Colbert Co., AL. She died Unknown.

Children of EDGAR BROWN and BELLE MACKEY are:

- i. GRACE MACKEY<sup>6</sup> BROWN, b. Private.
- 23. ii. BIRDIE LUCILLE BROWN, b. Private.
  - iii. EDGAR RICHARD BROWN, b. Private.
  - iv. EMMA SALINA BROWN, b. Private.
- 24. v. FLORENCE KATRINA BROWN, b. Private.
  - vi. MARY LEE BROWN, b. Private.
- **12.** GERTRUDE HOLLAND<sup>5</sup> ISOM (*FLORENCE IONE*<sup>4</sup> *BROWN, BYRD RUFFIN*<sup>3</sup>, *JESSE*<sup>2</sup>, *RUFFIN*<sup>1</sup>) was born November 25, 1882 in Glen, Alcorn Co., MS, and died June 01, 1960 in Colbert Co., AL. She married CHARLIE L. BROWN June 16, 1905 in Burnsville, MS. He died Unknown.

More About Gertrude Holland Isom:

Burial: Unknown, Spruce Pine Cemetery, Franklin Co., AL

More About Charlie L. Brown:

Burial: Unknown, Spruce Pine, Franklin Co., AL

Children of GERTRUDE ISOM and CHARLIE BROWN are:

 RUBY IONE<sup>6</sup> BROWN, b. April 22, 1906, Burnsville, Tishomingo Co., MS; d. February 05, 1953, Colbert Co., AL.

More About RUBY IONE BROWN:

Burial: Unknown, Oakwood Cemetery, Tuscumbia, Colbert Co., AL

- RAYMOND CLAUDE BROWN, b. April 19, 1908, Burnsville, Tishomingo Co., MS; d. October 01, 1987, Colbert Co., AL.
  - CLYDE BROWN, b. March 10, 1910, Burnsville, Tishomingo Co., MS; d. December 30, 1924, Spruce Pine, Franklin Co., AL.
  - iv. RUTH BROWN, b. March 09, 1912, Jasper, AL; d. June 27, 1914.
- 26. v. ELMO BROWN, b. Private.
- 27. vi. MARY LOUISE BROWN, b. May 04, 1915, Jasper, AL; d. February 22, 1995, Colbert Co., AL.
  - vii. GEORGE BROWN, b. September 28, 1917, Spruce Pine, Franklin Co., AL; d. November 04, 1918, Spruce Pine, Franklin Co., AL.

- HORACE BROWN, b. November 18, 1918, Spruce Pine, Franklin Co., AL; d. August 07, 1921, Franklin Co.,
  AL.
- 28. ix. CHARLES ISOM BROWN, b. July 22, 1922, Spruce Pine, AL Franklin County; d. January 16, 2001, Colbert County, Tuscumbia, AL.
  - x. EVA BROWN, b. July 10, 1925, Franklin Co., AL; d. July 10, 1925, Franklin Co., AL.

More About EVA BROWN:

Burial: Unknown, Spruce Pine, Franklin Co., AL

- 29. xi. MAURICE MILTON BROWN, b. September 26, 1927, Franklin Co., AL; d. June 17, 1983.
- **13.** BYRD BRYANT<sup>5</sup> ISOM (*FLORENCE IONE*<sup>4</sup> *BROWN, BYRD RUFFIN*<sup>3</sup>, *JESSE*<sup>2</sup>, *RUFFIN*<sup>1</sup>) was born September 06, 1884 in Glen, Alcorn Co., MS, and died November 04, 1930 in Cornith, Alcorn Co., MS. He married LILLIE PAYSINGER March 18, 1884. She died Unknown.

Children of BYRD ISOM and LILLIE PAYSINGER are:

- i. BERTON BRYANT<sup>6</sup> ISOM, b. Private.
- ii. CHARLES CLYDE ISOM, b. Private.
- iii. HOWARD HURLEY ISOM, b. Private.
- iv. JIM FRANK ISOM, b. Private.
- v. LEON L. ISOM, b. Private.
- vi. MARTHA IONE ISOM, b. Private.
- vii. MARY INEZ ISOM, b. Private.
- viii. WILLIE ELMER ISOM, b. Private.
- **14.** CHARLES BRYCE<sup>5</sup> ISOM (*FLORENCE IONE*<sup>4</sup> *BROWN, BYRD RUFFIN*<sup>3</sup>, *JESSE*<sup>2</sup>, *RUFFIN*<sup>1</sup>) was born May 07, 1887 in Burnsville, Tishomingo Co., MS, and died March 03, 1955 in Franklin Co., AL. He married FANNIE LOUISE KING February 04, 1914 in Franklin Co., AL, daughter of GEORGE KING and MARTHA GRISSOM. She was born December 16, 1885 in Franklin Co., AL, and died September 01, 1954 in Franklin Co., AL.

More About Fannie Louise King:

Burial: Unknown, Spruce Pine, Franklin Co., AL

Children of CHARLES ISOM and FANNIE KING are:

- i. OLLIE BRICE<sup>6</sup> ISOM, b. July 19, 1912, Franklin Co., AL; d. June 25, 1914, Narvoo, Alabama.
- 30. ii. CHARLES FRANKLIN ISOM, b. Private.
- 31. iii. JAMES CLIFFORD ISOM, b. August 14, 1916, Franklin Co., AL; d. March 14, 1960, Franklin Co., AL.
- 32. iv. LILLIAN DELL ISOM, b. May 11, 1918, Frankin Co., AL; d. November 09, 1999, Frankin Co., AL.
- 33. v. ERNEST MASON ISOM, b. May 04, 1920, Franklin Co., AL; d. August 23, 1987, Colbert Co., AL.
  - vi. RATHER RUDOLPH ISOM, b. June 18, 1922, Franklin Co., AL; d. June 30, 1990, Franklin Co., AL.
- 34. vii. BERTHA MAE ISOM, b. October 02, 1924, Franklin Co., AL; d. June 13, 1989, Lauderdale Co., AL.
- **15.** WORLEY EDWARD<sup>5</sup> ISOM (*FLORENCE IONE*<sup>4</sup> *BROWN, BYRD RUFFIN*<sup>3</sup>, *JESSE*<sup>2</sup>, *RUFFIN*<sup>1</sup>) was born July 27, 1889 in Burnsville, Tishomingo Co., MS, and died August 02, 1959 in Tuscumbia, Colbert Co., AL. He married BLANCHE MAUDE KING March 19, 1913 in Birmingham, AL, daughter of GEORGE KING and MARTHA GRISSOM. She was born December 31, 1891 in Franklin Co., AL, and died March 18, 1977 in Colbert County, AL.

Children of WORLEY ISOM and BLANCHE KING are:

- 35. i. EDWARD HARLEN<sup>6</sup> ISOM, b. February 19, 1914; d. July 30, 1969, Colbert Co., AL.
- 36. ii. MATTIE IONE ISOM, b. September 04, 1914; d. Unknown, Colbert Co., AL.
  - iii. RUTH MAE ISOM, b. Private; m. THOMAS EDGAR CLEM, Private; b. Private.
  - iv. GRACE IOLA ISOM, b. Private.
- 37. v. VERA VEATRICE ISOM, b. Private.
- 38. vi. EDGAR BRYANT ISOM, b. February 23, 1923; d. September 20, 1999, Colbert Co., AL.
  - vii. INFANT SON ISOM, b. Private.
- 39. viii. JEWEL DEAN ISOM, b. Private.
- 40. ix. GEORGE FRANKLIN ISOM, b. November 24, 1927; d. October 08, 1990.
- 41. x. GLADYS MOLENE ISOM, b. Private.

**16.** LEEOTIA C.<sup>5</sup> ISOM (*FLORENCE IONE*<sup>4</sup> *BROWN, BYRD RUFFIN*<sup>3</sup>, *JESSE*<sup>2</sup>, *RUFFIN*<sup>1</sup>) was born April 03, 1891 in Burnsville, Tishomingo Co., MS, and died April 27, 1969 in Franklin Co., AL. She married SAMUAL L. BINGHAM. He died Unknown.

More About LEEOTIA C. ISOM:

Burial: Unknown, Spruce Pine, Franklin Co., AL

More About SAMUAL L. BINGHAM:

Burial: Unknown, Spruce Pine, Franklin Co., AL

Children of LEEOTIA ISOM and SAMUAL BINGHAM are:

- i. EULA MAE<sup>6</sup> BINGHAM, d. 1996; m. LIVING SLAY, Private; b. Private.
- ii. GEORGE BINGHAM, b. Private.
- iii. HELEN INEZ BINGHAM, b. Private.
- iv. IONE BINGHAM, b. Private.
- v. IRENE BINGHAM, d. August 1893, Bear Creek, AL; m. \*\*\* POUNDERS; d. Unknown.
- 42. vi. OPAL BINGHAM, b. Private.
  - vii. VERLON BINGHAM, b. Private.
  - viii. WILLIE ELMER BINGHAM, b. Private.
  - ix. LELIAR OTIA BINGHAM, b. Private.
  - x. SAMUEL BINGHAM JR., b. Private.
  - xi. BRYCE BINGHAM, b. Private.

**17.** FRED BROWN<sup>5</sup> ISOM (*FLORENCE IONE*<sup>4</sup> *BROWN, BYRD RUFFIN*<sup>3</sup>, *JESSE*<sup>2</sup>, *RUFFIN*<sup>1</sup>)<sup>1,2</sup> was born March 08, 1895 in Saulsbury, Hardin Co., Tennessee, and died May 30, 1987 in Hawk Pride Mtn, Tuscumbia, Colbert Co., Alabama. He married ALMA MAE GRISSOM<sup>3,4</sup> January 23, 1916 in Spruce Pine, Franklin Co., Alabama, daughter of WILLIAM GRISSOM and ALLIE TAYLOR. She was born June 27, 1894 in Spruce Pine, Franklin Co., Alabama, and died November 21, 1983 in Hawk Pride Mtn, Tuscumbia, Colbert Co., Alabama.

Notes for FRED BROWN ISOM:

Isom Grissom Family, as published in The Heritage of Colbert County, Alabama, pub. 1999, p. 222.

Fred Brown Isom was born on 8 March 1895 in Salsbury, Tennessee to Florence Ione Brown (b. 20 may 1857) and Charles Anderson Isom (b. 31 Dec 1855). Fred was a gradnson of Lucinda Blakney (b. 10 Jan 1821) and Bryant Dudley Isom (b. 9 March 1815). He was the great grandson of Susannah Agens Mean and George W. Isom (B. 1792, Va). Fred's mother died when he was about 9 years old. A few years after the death of Fred's mother, the family followed his father's railroad job to the Franklin Co., Al area. Alma Mae Grissom was born on 27 June 1898 in Franklin Co., Alabama to Allie louise Taylor (b. 5 July 1877)n and William Henry Grissom (b. 25 oct 1871). Alma was the granddaughter of Sarah melton (b. 1849) and james Alonzo Grissom (b.1848, MS). She was the great granddaughter of sarah Spring(b.1803, TN) and Philip Grissom (b. 1798, NC) who married in Wilcon Co., TN in 1820. Alma grew up in the Frog Pond Community near Spruce Pine in Franklin Co., Alabama.

Fred was living with his sisters Leotia Bingham and Gertrude brown in the Frog Pond Community while working at Rockwood, Alabama. Alma and fred met at Frog Pond Baptist Chuch and were married on 23 jan 1916. Their fist home was in the Frog Pond Area. They later moved to Russellvill, Alabama for a few years, before settling in the New Bethel Community on Wheeler Mountain in Colbert County, alabama in 1936. They were content in the New Bethel Community for the rest of their lives.

Fred was a carpenter by trade and was a member of Carpenter Local #109 for fifty=two years. Fred wordked on TVA's Pickwick, Guntersville, and Wheeler Dam projects, Reynolds metals Plant, and other large contstuction sites. He was a farmer and a country merchant. alma kept the home fires burning while Fred's construction jobs took him away from home during the work week. The family operated a country store located on Wheeler Mountain from 1936 to 1946. Fred and Alma were industrious, always were operating a side business such as the country store or raising caged laying hens, cattle,or crops. Alma and Fred raised five daugthers and one son. Nellie Isom married Rathar Poerter, Ludie Allie Isom married Roy Wagnon. Freddie Mae Isom married L. D. Malone, Mildred Isom married Bruce Helsley. Betty Jean Isom married John Nathan Hester. Fred clayton Isom married Bernice Romans.Fred And Alma celebrated their golden anniversary in 1966. They were surrounded by a multitude of children, grandchildren and extended family. Fred remarked on that day that Alma was as pretty on their 50th anniversary was she was on the day that he married her. Their marriage lasted sixty-seven years

until Alma's death. alma died on 21 nov 1983 at the age of eighty-five after suffering from a series of strokes. Fred died on 30 may 1987 with complications of congestive heart failure at the age of 92. They are both buried in New Bethel Cemetery.

More About FRED BROWN ISOM:

Burial: Unknown, New Bethel Baptist Church Cemetery, Hawk Pride Mtn, Tuscumbia, Colbert Co., Alabama

More About ALMA MAE GRISSOM:

Burial: November 23, 1983, New Bethel Baptist Church Cemetery, Hawk Pride Mtn, Tuscumbia, Colbert Co., Alabama

Children of FRED ISOM and ALMA GRISSOM are:

- NELLIE LUCILLE<sup>6</sup> ISOM, b. November 21, 1916, Spruce Pine, Franklin Co., AL; d. June 25, 2003, Colbert Co., AL.
  - CHARLES WILLIAM ISOM, b. December 19, 1917, Spruce Pine, Franklin Co., AL; d. January 21, 1918, Spruce Pine, Franklin Co., AL.

More About CHARLES WILLIAM ISOM:

Burial: January 23, 1918, Mountain Home Cemetery, Belgreen, Franklin Co., AL

- 44. iii. LUDIE ALLIE ISOM, b. January 10, 1918, Spruce Pine, Franklin Co., AL; d. July 14, 2003, Colbert Co., AL.
- 45. iv. FREDDIE MAE ISOM, b. Private.
  - v. MILDRED "MICKIE" IONE ISOM, b. Private; m. BRUCE ALDINE HELSLEY, Private; b. January 29, 1919, Woodstock, VA; d. March 22, 2000, Woodstock, VA.

More About BRUCE ALDINE HELSLEY:

Burial: March 26, 2000, New Bethel Baptist Church Cemetery, Hawk Pride/Wheeler Mtn, Tuscumbia, Colbert Co., AL

- 46. vi. BETTY JEAN ISOM, b. Private.
- 47. vii. FRED CLAYTON ISOM, b. Private.
- **18.** LYNDELL LEE<sup>5</sup> WELLS (*FLORENCE IONE*<sup>4</sup> *NOBLE, FLORENCE MADORA*<sup>3</sup> *BROWN, JESSE*<sup>2</sup>, *RUFFIN*<sup>1</sup>) was born June 15, 1902 in Corsicana, TX, and died May 17, 1988 in Houston, Harris Co., TX. She married ALVIN HALL. He died Unknown.

Children of LYNDELL WELLS and ALVIN HALL are:

- i. FLORENCE LYNN<sup>6</sup> HALL, b. Private.
- 49. ii. ROBERT ALVIN HALL, b. Private.
- **19.** JIMMIE HAZEL<sup>5</sup> WELLS (*FLORENCE IONE*<sup>4</sup> *NOBLE, FLORENCE MADORA*<sup>3</sup> *BROWN, JESSE*<sup>2</sup>, *RUFFIN*<sup>1</sup>) was born November 23, 1904 in Barry, TX, and died November 03, 1970 in Corpus Christi, Nueces Co., TX. She married EMMETT CAREW BEAN. He died Unknown.

Child of JIMMIE WELLS and EMMETT BEAN is:

- 50. i. EMMETT CAREW BEAN<sup>6</sup> JR., b. Private.
- **20.** ROLFE GARRETT<sup>5</sup> WELLS (*FLORENCE IONE*<sup>4</sup> *NOBLE, FLORENCE MADORA*<sup>3</sup> *BROWN, JESSE*<sup>2</sup>, *RUFFIN*<sup>1</sup>) was born December 01, 1906 in Barry, TX, and died March 05, 1987 in Houston, Harris Co., TX. He married JUDITH VIRGINIA ROLLOSSON Private. She was born Private.

Child of ROLFE WELLS and JUDITH ROLLOSSON is:

- 51. i. JAMES ROBERT<sup>6</sup> WELLS, b. Private.
- **21.** ROBERT SLOAN<sup>5</sup> WELLS (*FLORENCE IONE*<sup>4</sup> *NOBLE, FLORENCE MADORA*<sup>3</sup> *BROWN, JESSE*<sup>2</sup>, *RUFFIN*<sup>1</sup>) was born Private. He married (1) EARLINE MONTAZ CARTER Private. She was born Private. He married (2) BABE PARRISH Private. She was born Private.

Child of ROBERT WELLS and EARLINE CARTER is:

- 52. i. DAVID ROLFE<sup>6</sup> WELLS, b. Private.
- **22.** ARTHUR KNIGHT<sup>5</sup> NOBLE (*WALTER BYRD*<sup>4</sup>, *FLORENCE MADORA*<sup>3</sup> *BROWN*, *JESSE*<sup>2</sup>, *RUFFIN*<sup>1</sup>) was born Private. He married EVELYN SMITH Private. She was born Private.

Child of ARTHUR NOBLE and EVELYN SMITH is:

i. \*\*\*6 NOBLE, b. Private; m. WILLIAM W. MCLEAN, Private; b. Private.

#### Generation No. 6

**23.** BIRDIE LUCILLE<sup>6</sup> BROWN (*EDGAR*<sup>5</sup>, *JESSIE RUFFIN*<sup>4</sup>, *BYRD RUFFIN*<sup>3</sup>, *JESSE*<sup>2</sup>, *RUFFIN*<sup>1</sup>) was born Private. She married WILLIAM C. BOLTON Private. He died Unknown.

Child of BIRDIE BROWN and WILLIAM BOLTON is:

- i. BETTY LUCILE<sup>7</sup> BOLTON, b. Private.
- **24.** FLORENCE KATRINA<sup>6</sup> BROWN (*EDGAR*<sup>5</sup>, *JESSIE RUFFIN*<sup>4</sup>, *BYRD RUFFIN*<sup>3</sup>, *JESSE*<sup>2</sup>, *RUFFIN*<sup>1</sup>) was born Private. She married EDWIN EUGENE HOOPER Private. He died Unknown.

Children of FLORENCE BROWN and EDWIN HOOPER are:

- i. WILLIAM GENE<sup>7</sup> HOOPER, b. Private.
- ii. ANN MACKEY HOOPER, b. Private.
- **25.** RAYMOND CLAUDE<sup>6</sup> BROWN (*GERTRUDE HOLLAND<sup>5</sup> ISOM, FLORENCE IONE*<sup>4</sup> *BROWN, BYRD RUFFIN*<sup>3</sup>, *JESSE*<sup>2</sup>, *RUFFIN*<sup>1</sup>) was born April 19, 1908 in Burnsville, Tishomingo Co., MS, and died October 01, 1987 in Colbert Co., AL. He married VERA JAMES Private. She was born Private.

Children of RAYMOND BROWN and VERA JAMES are:

- i. BETTY JO<sup>7</sup> BROWN, b. Private.
- ii. DUWARD DELANEY BROWN, b. Private.
- iii. JEAN ELIZABETH BROWN, b. Private.
- iv. JIMMY BROWN, b. Private.
- v. MARY CATHERINE BROWN, b. Private.
- vi. PATSY BROWN, b. Private.
- **26.** ELMO<sup>6</sup> BROWN (*GERTRUDE HOLLAND*<sup>5</sup> *ISOM, FLORENCE IONE*<sup>4</sup> *BROWN, BYRD RUFFIN*<sup>3</sup>, *JESSE*<sup>2</sup>, *RUFFIN*<sup>1</sup>) was born Private. He married CLARA HOVATOR Private. She was born Private.

Children of ELMO BROWN and CLARA HOVATOR are:

- i. GLENDA ROSE<sup>7</sup> BROWN, b. Private.
- ii. SANDRA BROWN, b. Private.
- **27.** MARY LOUISE<sup>6</sup> BROWN (*GERTRUDE HOLLAND*<sup>5</sup> *ISOM, FLORENCE IONE*<sup>4</sup> *BROWN, BYRD RUFFIN*<sup>3</sup>, *JESSE*<sup>2</sup>, *RUFFIN*<sup>1</sup>) was born May 04, 1915 in Jasper, AL, and died February 22, 1995 in Colbert Co., AL. She married LEE MITCHELL Private. He was born Private.

Child of MARY BROWN and LEE MITCHELL is:

- i. HAROLD<sup>7</sup> MITCHELL, b. Private.
- **28.** CHARLES ISOM<sup>6</sup> BROWN (*GERTRUDE HOLLAND*<sup>5</sup> *ISOM*, *FLORENCE IONE*<sup>4</sup> *BROWN*, *BYRD RUFFIN*<sup>3</sup>, *JESSE*<sup>2</sup>, *RUFFIN*<sup>1</sup>)<sup>5</sup> was born July 22, 1922 in Spruce Pine, AL Franklin County<sup>6</sup>, and died January 16, 2001 in Colbert County, Tuscumbia, AL<sup>6</sup>. He married ADDIE IRENE MALONE Private, daughter of HOUSTON MALONE and LYDIA HOVATOR. She was born Private.

More About CHARLES ISOM BROWN:

Burial: Unknown, Oakwood Cemetery, Tuscumbia, AL Colbert Co.6

Children of CHARLES BROWN and ADDIE MALONE are:

- 53. i. JUDITH ANN<sup>7</sup> BROWN, b. Private.
  - ii. JOYCE IRENE BROWN, b. Private; m. (1) THOMAS E. THORNE, Private; b. Private; m. (2) DANNY S. PAYNE, Private; b. Private.
- 54. iii. DOUGLAS HOUSTON BROWN, b. Private.
- **29.** MAURICE MILTON<sup>6</sup> BROWN (*GERTRUDE HOLLAND<sup>5</sup> ISOM, FLORENCE IONE*<sup>4</sup> *BROWN, BYRD RUFFIN*<sup>3</sup>, *JESSE*<sup>2</sup>, *RUFFIN*<sup>1</sup>) was born September 26, 1927 in Franklin Co., AL, and died June 17, 1983. He married BEATRICE REEVES Private. She was born Private.

Children of MAURICE BROWN and BEATRICE REEVES are:

- i. LIVING<sup>7</sup> BROWN, b. Private.
- ii. LIVING BROWN (2), b. Private.
- **30.** CHARLES FRANKLIN<sup>6</sup> ISOM (*CHARLES BRYCE*<sup>5</sup>, *FLORENCE IONE*<sup>4</sup> *BROWN*, *BYRD RUFFIN*<sup>3</sup>, *JESSE*<sup>2</sup>, *RUFFIN*<sup>1</sup>) was born Private. He married LINDA NORMAN Private. She was born Private.

Children of CHARLES ISOM and LINDA NORMAN are:

- 55. i. BRYCE NORMAN<sup>7</sup> ISOM, b. Private.
  - ii. BYRD ISOM, b. Private.
  - iii. CLAUDETTE ISOM, b. Private.
  - iv. MURIEL ISOM, b. Private.
  - v. TIMOTHY ISOM, b. Private.
- **31.** JAMES CLIFFORD<sup>6</sup> ISOM (*CHARLES BRYCE*<sup>5</sup>, *FLORENCE IONE*<sup>4</sup> *BROWN, BYRD RUFFIN*<sup>3</sup>, *JESSE*<sup>2</sup>, *RUFFIN*<sup>1</sup>) was born August 14, 1916 in Franklin Co., AL, and died March 14, 1960 in Franklin Co., AL. He married ICIE PORTER Private, daughter of ALEXANDER PORTER and MAGGIE BOHANON. She was born Private.

Children of JAMES ISOM and ICIE PORTER are:

- i. JONELL<sup>7</sup> ISOM, b. Private; m. \*\*\* DANIEL, Private; b. Private.
- ii. STEVEN DOUGLAS ISOM, b. Private.
- **32.** LILLIAN DELL<sup>6</sup> ISOM (*CHARLES BRYCE*<sup>5</sup>, *FLORENCE IONE*<sup>4</sup> *BROWN, BYRD RUFFIN*<sup>3</sup>, *JESSE*<sup>2</sup>, *RUFFIN*<sup>1</sup>) was born May 11, 1918 in Frankin Co., AL, and died November 09, 1999 in Frankin Co., AL. She married GORDEN HARGETT Private. He was born Private.

Children of LILLIAN ISOM and GORDEN HARGETT are:

- i. HOWARD EUGENE<sup>7</sup> HARGETT, b. Private; m. MARIE BENDALL, Private; b. Private.
- 56. ii. GERALD RAY HARGETT, b. Aft. 1935; d. June 29, 1987.
- **33.** ERNEST MASON<sup>6</sup> ISOM (*CHARLES BRYCE*<sup>5</sup>, *FLORENCE IONE*<sup>4</sup> *BROWN*, *BYRD RUFFIN*<sup>3</sup>, *JESSE*<sup>2</sup>, *RUFFIN*<sup>1</sup>) was born May 04, 1920 in Franklin Co., AL, and died August 23, 1987 in Colbert Co., AL. He married (1) LENNIE Private. She was born Private. He married (2) CATHERINE FULLER Private. She was born Private.

Children of ERNEST ISOM and LENNIE are:

- i. JAMES<sup>7</sup> ISOM, b. Private.
- ii. JOHN ISOM, b. Private.

Children of ERNEST ISOM and CATHERINE FULLER are:

- iii. WANDA<sup>7</sup> ISOM, b. Private.
- iv. LYNN BRYAN ISOM, b. Private.

**34.** BERTHA MAE<sup>6</sup> ISOM (*CHARLES BRYCE*<sup>5</sup>, *FLORENCE IONE*<sup>4</sup> *BROWN, BYRD RUFFIN*<sup>3</sup>, *JESSE*<sup>2</sup>, *RUFFIN*<sup>1</sup>) was born October 02, 1924 in Franklin Co., AL, and died June 13, 1989 in Lauderdale Co., AL. She married OLIVER WENDELL CURTIS Private. He was born Private.

Child of BERTHA ISOM and OLIVER CURTIS is:

- 57. i. MICHAEL KEITH<sup>7</sup> CURTIS, b. Private.
- **35.** EDWARD HARLEN<sup>6</sup> ISOM (*Worley Edward*<sup>5</sup>, *Florence Ione*<sup>4</sup> *Brown, Byrd Ruffin*<sup>3</sup>, *Jesse*<sup>2</sup>, *Ruffin*<sup>1</sup>) was born February 19, 1914, and died July 30, 1969 in Colbert Co., AL. He married (1) Leslie Michael Private. She was born Private. He married (2) Ella Van Key Private. She was born Private. He married (3) Mabel Barr Private. She was born Private.

Children of EDWARD ISOM and LESLIE MICHAEL are:

- i. BETTY<sup>7</sup> ISOM, b. Private.
- ii. BUFORD ISOM, b. Private.
- iii. PATRICIA ISOM, b. Private.
- iv. REBECCA ANN ISOM, b. Private.

Children of EDWARD ISOM and ELLA VAN KEY are:

- v. MARGARET ANN<sup>7</sup> ISOM, b. Private.
- vi. MARY MAUDE ISOM, b. Private.
- **36.** MATTIE IONE<sup>6</sup> ISOM (*WORLEY EDWARD*<sup>5</sup>, *FLORENCE IONE*<sup>4</sup> *BROWN*, *BYRD RUFFIN*<sup>3</sup>, *JESSE*<sup>2</sup>, *RUFFIN*<sup>1</sup>) was born September 04, 1914, and died Unknown in Colbert Co., AL. She married WILLIAM WADDELL CARROLL Private. He was born Private.

Children of MATTIE ISOM and WILLIAM CARROLL are:

- i. EVANLINE JANE<sup>7</sup> CARROLL, b. Private.
- ii. PAUL EDWARD CARROLL, b. Private.
- iii. SHERRY ANITA CARROLL, b. Private.
- iv. WILLIAM WADDELL CARROLL JR., b. Private.
- **37.** VERA VEATRICE<sup>6</sup> ISOM (*WORLEY EDWARD*<sup>5</sup>, *FLORENCE IONE*<sup>4</sup> *BROWN, BYRD RUFFIN*<sup>3</sup>, *JESSE*<sup>2</sup>, *RUFFIN*<sup>1</sup>) was born Private. She married (1) DONALD EARL TYON Private. He was born Private. She married (2) GRADY LEE BLACK Private. He was born Private.

Children of VERA ISOM and DONALD TYON are:

- i. BRUCE<sup>7</sup> TYON, b. Private; m. BRENDA BUSH, Private; b. Private.
- 58. ii. CHARLENE TYON, b. Private.
- 59. iii. DEBRA DEAN TYON, b. Private.
  - iv. DONALD EARL TYON JR., b. Private; m. (1) DOROTHY "DOTTIE", Private; b. Private; m. (2) SHARON BIRDIE, Private; b. Private.
- 60. v. GREGORY MICHAEL TYON, b. Private.
- **38.** EDGAR BRYANT<sup>6</sup> ISOM (WORLEY EDWARD<sup>5</sup>, FLORENCE IONE<sup>4</sup> BROWN, BYRD RUFFIN<sup>3</sup>, JESSE<sup>2</sup>, RUFFIN<sup>1</sup>) was born February 23, 1923, and died September 20, 1999 in Colbert Co., AL. He married HELEN SHARPSTON Private. She was born Private.

Children of EDGAR ISOM and HELEN SHARPSTON are:

- 61. i. EDGAR (EDDIE)<sup>7</sup> ISOM, b. Private.
- 62. ii. JAMES "JIMMY" ISOM, b. Private.
- 63. iii. SUSAN ISOM, b. Private.
- **39.** JEWEL DEAN<sup>6</sup> ISOM (WORLEY EDWARD<sup>5</sup>, FLORENCE IONE<sup>4</sup> BROWN, BYRD RUFFIN<sup>3</sup>, JESSE<sup>2</sup>, RUFFIN<sup>1</sup>) was born Private. She married ELMER (PREACH) MCCORD Private. He was born Private.

Children of JEWEL ISOM and ELMER MCCORD are:

- i. JUDY<sup>7</sup> MCCORD, b. Private.
- ii. THOMAS (TOMMY) MCCORD, b. Private.
- **40.** GEORGE FRANKLIN<sup>6</sup> ISOM (*WORLEY EDWARD*<sup>5</sup>, *FLORENCE IONE*<sup>4</sup> *BROWN*, *BYRD RUFFIN*<sup>3</sup>, *JESSE*<sup>2</sup>, *RUFFIN*<sup>1</sup>) was born November 24, 1927, and died October 08, 1990. He married (1) DORTHY (DOTTIE) POWELL Private. She was born Private. He married (2) DELORIS COATOIS Private. She was born Private. He married (3) FREDDIE JONES Private. She was born Private.

Child of GEORGE ISOM and DELORIS COATOIS is:

i. WORLEY ADAM7 ISOM, b. Private.

Children of GEORGE ISOM and FREDDIE JONES are:

- ii. LAURA<sup>7</sup> ISOM, b. Private.
- iii. MICKIE ISOM, b. Private.
- **41.** GLADYS MOLENE<sup>6</sup> ISOM (WORLEY EDWARD<sup>5</sup>, FLORENCE IONE<sup>4</sup> BROWN, BYRD RUFFIN<sup>3</sup>, JESSE<sup>2</sup>, RUFFIN<sup>1</sup>) was born Private. She married (1) JIMMY BECK Private. He was born Private. She married (2) HUBERT H. BALAY Private. He was born Private. She married (3) GEORGE WESSON Private. He was born Private.

Children of GLADYS ISOM and GEORGE WESSON are:

- i. ALICE DIANE<sup>7</sup> WESSON, b. Private; m. DOUGLAS LOWERY, Private; b. Private.
- ii. WILLIAM HOWARD WESSON, b. Private; m. DIANE WRIGHT, Private; b. Private.
- **42.** OPAL<sup>6</sup> BINGHAM (*LEEOTIA C.*<sup>5</sup> *ISOM, FLORENCE IONE*<sup>4</sup> *BROWN, BYRD RUFFIN*<sup>3</sup>, *JESSE*<sup>2</sup>, *RUFFIN*<sup>1</sup>) was born Private. She married LOUIE WILLAED EZZELL Private. He was born Private.

Child of OPAL BINGHAM and LOUIE EZZELL is:

- i. DONALD B.7 EZZELL, b. Private.
- **43.** NELLIE LUCILLE<sup>6</sup> ISOM (*Fred Brown*<sup>5</sup>, *Florence Ione*<sup>4</sup> *Brown*, *Byrd Ruffin*<sup>3</sup>, *Jesse*<sup>2</sup>, *Ruffin*<sup>1</sup>) was born November 21, 1916 in Spruce Pine, Franklin Co., AL, and died June 25, 2003 in Colbert Co., AL. She married RATHER HOYT PORTER December 19, 1935 in Colbert Co., AL/Franklin Co., Line at Littleville, AL, son of ALEXANDER PORTER and MAGGIE BOHANON. He was born November 21, 1916 in Hodges, Franklin Co., AL, and died November 24, 1985 in ECM Hospital, Florence, Lauderdale Co., AL.

More About RATHER HOYT PORTER:

Burial: November 26, 1985, New Bethel Baptist Church Cemetery, Hawk Pride/Wheeler Mtn, Tuscumbia, Colbert Co., AL

Children of Nellie Isom and Rather Porter are:

- 64. i. HAROLD HOYT<sup>7</sup> PORTER, b. Private.
- 65. ii. HARRY GLEEN PORTER, b. Private.
- **44.** LUDIE ALLIE<sup>6</sup> ISOM (*FRED BROWN*<sup>5</sup>, *FLORENCE IONE*<sup>4</sup> *BROWN*, *BYRD RUFFIN*<sup>3</sup>, *JESSE*<sup>2</sup>, *RUFFIN*<sup>1</sup>) was born January 10, 1918 in Spruce Pine, Franklin Co., AL, and died July 14, 2003 in Colbert Co., AL. She married LOUIS ROY WAGNON May 19, 1940 in Colbert Co., AL/Franklin Co., Line at Littleville, AL, son of JOHN WAGNON and ADA MCCORKLE. He was born September 28, 1913 in Colbert Co., AL, and died May 24, 1999 in Lauderdale Co., AL.

More About LUDIE ALLIE ISOM:

Burial: July 17, 2003, Colbert Memorial Garden, Colbert Co., AL

More About Louis Roy Wagnon:

Burial: May 26, 1999, Colbert Memorial Garden, Colbert Co., AL

Children of LUDIE ISOM and LOUIS WAGNON are:

- 66. i. ALMA ANNE<sup>7</sup> WAGNON, b. Private.
- 67. ii. REBECCA (BECKY) LANE WAGNON, b. Private.
- 68. iii. TIMOTHY ROY WAGNON, b. Private.

**45.** FREDDIE MAE<sup>6</sup> ISOM (*FRED BROWN*<sup>5</sup>, *FLORENCE IONE*<sup>4</sup> *BROWN, BYRD RUFFIN*<sup>3</sup>, *JESSE*<sup>2</sup>, *RUFFIN*<sup>1</sup>) was born Private. She married L.D. MALONE Private, son of JAMES MALONE and EFFIE MCCORKLE. He was born July 24, 1919 in Tuscumia, Colbert Co., AL, and died March 05, 1983 in Tuscumbia, Colbert Co., AL.

More About L.D. MALONE:

Burial: March 07, 1983, New Bethel Baptist Church Cemetery, Hawk Pride/Wheeler Mtn, Tuscumbia, Colbert Co., AL

Children of FREDDIE ISOM and L.D. MALONE are:

- 69. i. JANET MARCEL<sup>7</sup> MALONE, b. Private.
- 70. ii. CHRIS DUPREE MALONE, b. Private.
- **46.** BETTY JEAN<sup>6</sup> ISOM (*FRED BROWN*<sup>5</sup>, *FLORENCE IONE*<sup>4</sup> *BROWN*, *BYRD RUFFIN*<sup>3</sup>, *JESSE*<sup>2</sup>, *RUFFIN*<sup>1</sup>) was born Private. She married JOHN NATHAN HESTER<sup>7,8</sup> Private, son of FREDDY HESTER and MARY DHORITY. He was born July 01, 1925 in Colbert Co., AL<sup>9</sup>, and died August 01, 1997 in Colbert Co., AL<sup>9</sup>.

Notes for JOHN NATHAN HESTER: [Ligon Family Genealogy.FTW]

Notes for John Nathan Hester: The Hester Family History:

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The Hester Family History: John Nathan & Betty Jean Isom Hester & Descendants

Both John Nathan Hester and Betty Jean Isom were born in the sweltering heat of an Alabama July. These two remarkable individuals came together to begin a family amid hardships that would have defeated many people, but they persevered together over a lifetime to raise five children.....

John Nathan was born on July 1, 1925, to Fred and Mary Pearl Dhority Hester. They lived "in the valley" then, on land near Spring Creek in Colbert County that Papa Hester worked as a cotton farmer. The oldest son of a family that would grow to include eight children, Nathan learned tow work hard and to assume responsibility at a very young age. In 1934, the family moved to a farm on Hawk Pride Mountain Road in the New Bethel community when Nathan was nine years old. He always loved hunting and fishing. He worked extremely hard during the week so that he could participate in area basketball games on weekends. The stories of how he had to walk all the way to Spring Park in Tuscumbia just to be able to play the games amused and amazed us during our growing up years.

Betty Jean was born on July 8, 1930, in Russellville, Alabama, the sixth of seven children born to Fred and Alma Grissom Isom. As the youngest daughter, Betty is remembered as a precocious and mischievous child, who would sneak off across the railroad tracks and hide in the shrubbery while Mama Isom called for her to come home. Betty would coax her dog to remain silent by petting his fur and whispering, "shhhh." When Betty was six years old, the family moved to Colbert County, settling for a couple of months in the Valdosta community. The Isoms then moved to a house on Frankfort Road in the New Bethel community. A storm destroyed the original house in 1938. Betty remembers Mama Isom hiding the children in a wardrobe to protect them from the storm when winds tore the roof from the house. After the storm, Papa Isom built the fieldstone house for the family to live in. Papa Isom went to work with TVA in 19323, working on Guntersville Dam, Joe Wheeler Dam, and Pickwick Dam projects. He was also involved in the early construction of the Reynolds Metals Plant. His work often took him away from home. Mama Isom kept the home fires going and took care of the family. Papa and Mama Isom also operated a country store. The kids helped out in the store.

Thus, Nathan and Betty were living within a few miles of each other during their growing up years. It was at

the end of the Great Depression. The country was limping along. Signs of economic recovery for the Valley were beginning to emerge. The development of the Tennessee Valley Authority flood control project, rural electrification, and FDR's Civilian Conservation Corps were beginning to have some impact on the region. Both attended New Bethel School and were taught by Miss Belle Richardson. Betty remembers being taught by Mrs. Figures, a niece of the noted teacher Maud Lindsey. Mrs. Figures was a wonderful storyteller, and a woman who endeavored to teach resourcefulness as well as basics to her students. She taught knitting, crocheting, sculpture, and carving to both boys and girls. Neither Nathan nor Betty has a recollection of noticing on another very much until Betty has a recollection of noticing on another very much until Betty reached the age of 14. As Nathan recalls, "She was the prettiest thing I ever saw." America had become embroiled in World War II in both Europe and the Pacific. Nathan and Betty married in 1945. A short week later, Nathan was inducted into the Army for training at Camp Fannin, Texas. The US was preparing a ground force to counter the Japanese Army's control of the Pacific Theater. Betty remained living at home with Mama and Papa Isom. Betty was able to visit Nathan at Camp Fannin for two weeks in April of 1945.

After completion of basic training, Nathan shipped out for the Pacific from San Francisco. He remembers a desolate feeling as they passed under the Golden Gate Bridge on their way to the Pacific Theater. On August 14, 1945, Japan surrendered in the face of the devastation of Hiroshima and Nagasaki. On September 2, 1945, Nathan's ship floated alongside the Missouri, on which General MacArthur and Japanese authorities signed the formal surrender. Nathan's mission was changed from being part of the ground force to mop up the South Pacific Islands to being part of the force occupying surrendered Japan. His recollection of post war Japan is of a devastated, starving nation.

Meanwhile, back on Wheeler Mountain, Betty gave birth to their first child, Sarah Nell Hester, on August 19, 1945. They continued living with Mama and Papa Isom and awaited news of the war through radio reports and newsreels at movie theaters. The price of admission to the movies was about 50 cents. Betty bought their first furniture, a bedroom suite from Montgomery Ward, while she waited for Nathan to come home. When Nathan returned from the Pacific and saw Sarah for the first time, she was eleven months old.

A couple of months after Nathan's discharge from the Army, the family moved into an old log house owned by Hosie Malone. Life was hard with no indoor plumbing. Cooking and heating were provided by a woodstove. Nathan began working at TVA. At this time, they moved to the old house on the hill on Mama and Papa Hester's place. Betty gave birth to their first son, Fred Nathaniel Hester, on July 19, 1947. Another daughter, Carol Jean Hester, followed on August 24, 1948. Betty has often remarked on those days. The workload was heavy. Water was toted from the spring at the bottom of the hill. There were three babies still in diapers. Wood had to be chopped and carried in for the stove. Even so, the house was cold in the winter. Nathaniel was a curious child. He kept them very busy just trying to keep up with him. Carol was a blessing because she had an easier disposition. It was Nathaniel's curiosity that brought the family's earliest and deepest tragedy. He died as a result of a fire caused by playing with matches on October 26, 1949. His grave is located at Crooked Oak Cemetery in Russellville, Alabama. In spite of the deep sorrow that followed Nathaniel's death, and with the loving support of family and friends, the family survived the tragedy. They moved to the Tom Keeton place on Allen Road in the New Bethel community.

In 1951, the family bought its first home, the little white house on Hawk Pride Mountain Road, from Louis Smith. The house was still heated by an iron woodstove and water was hauled by hand from a well. Nathan and Betty added a bathroom and larger kitchen to the house in 1961. It was in this house that the second round of children were born. John Douglas Hester was born October 21, 1952. Paul Daniel Hester made Flag Day forever memorable to us by being born on June 14, 1955. Susan Marie Hester finished up the litter of children on January 3, 1959. Or neighbors were Mrs. Sherrod, Jean and Marshall Pennington, Frances and Kenneth Sherrod, Eloise and Waldon James, Bud and Pearl James, Louis and Minnie Smith, Aunt Nellie and Uncle Rather Porter. The house provided a safe environment surrounded by caring neighbors and allowed us to roam and explore the world around us. We all have memories of learning to ride our bikes down the hill in front of Bud James' house, digging fox holes, climbing trees, having pets, stealing apples from Bud James's trees, being afraid that Bud James would get us if we didn't behave, and being worried that Bud James would see us as we took a bath in a washtub on the back porch.

We were also blessed to grow up in an extended family in which our best friends were nearly always our cousins. Mother always warned us that we had better behave because if we didn't she would surely hear about it. An abundance of aunts and uncles ensured that we at least tried to be on our best behavior because someone was certainly watching. On Daddy's die, it was Nelson and Mildred Hester, Edward and June Hester, Pearline and RC McMurtrey, Gerald and Jean Lee Hester, Alton and Mae Jean Hester. On Mother's side, it was Nellie and Rather Porter, Ludie and Roy Wagnon, Freddie Mae and LD Malone, Mildred "Mickie" and Bruce Helsley, and Clayton and Bernice Isom. Nobody saw it as a negative. We were spoiled not with material things, but with the abundance of personal attention that can only come from large families. Friday evenings when the McMurtreys would come from Birmingham or Uncle Nelson's family would come from Memphis to Mama Hester's were the

high point of the week. We all gathered there to visit and to play. Summers were filled with work in the garden, peddling, canning and freezing, baseball games, fireworks, swimming, fishing, dinner on the grounds at New Bethel Missionary Baptist Church, and camping trips with the Junior and Joyce Webb family.

1962 marked the beginning of a difficult period for the family. Papa Hester died of complications from prostrate surgery. In April 1963, Nathan was severely burned when a valve controlling a supply pipe blew during his job at TVA. Seventy percent of his body was burned by contact with the chemical phosphorus. Hospitalized for several months, he began a long convalescence at ECM Hospital. It was a hard time. Betty was stretched between the hospital and five school age children at home. She has often remarked that she would not have made it without the support of family and friends. Nathan worked hard to recover. Skin grafts were transferred from his back to his severely burned arms and legs. In July, he came home. By fall 1963, he returned to work at TVA.

By 1965, all the children were in school so Betty began working at Aunt Ludie and Uncle Roy Wagnon's Hilltop Market on Frankfort Road. The kids were all busy with their education. Sarah was enrolled at the University of Alabama in Birmingham's Nursing School. Carol was at Cherokee Vocational High School. Doug, Dan, and Suzy were at New Bethel Elementary School. Life was full. All five children were good students. All five were encouraged to pursue an active extracurricular life. It is amazing to think how they kept all five going to 4-H, basketball, football, baseball, cheerleading, and other activities. It was also in 1965 that Nathan and Betty bought the house at the bottom of the hill from Louis Smith. The house sat on 67 acres. This provided a pond for fishing and swimming. Nathan and Betty started working harder than ever as they began to farm the new land.

In the late '60s, the family entered a new phase as the older sisters began to graduate from high school and college. The family welcomed new sons-in-law when Carol married Frank Whitaker, and Sarah married Jimmy McKee, both of Cherokee, Alabama. We were blessed with the addition of new grandchildren that saw us into the turbulent '70s. Doug graduated from high school, started college, and married Rhonda Rich from Cherokee, Alabama. Dan was the first to attend Colbert Heights High School. He graduated in 1973, and started college. In 1974, Daddy suffered his first heart attack. We had a very special Thanksgiving that year. After his surgery in 1975, Nathan retired. Betty began working at the sewing factory in Cherokee. Dan married Sheryl Young. Susan graduated from high school in 1977, and started college. She married Ahmad "Adam" Karbaf.

The late '70s marked a change for Nathan and Betty. With Nathan retired, Betty went back to school to study nursing. She became a part of the army of working women that entered the workforce in the '70s. She started out in 1978 as a LPN at Helen Keller Memorial Hospital. In 1979, she returned to school to get her RN certification at Northwest Alabama State Junior College. During her career, Betty worked in home healthcare as a nursing assistant's supervisor and both as a floor nurse and charge nurse at the hospital. In 1995, Betty retired from the Sullivan Center at HKM Hospital, ending a career that spanned nearly twenty years.

As full and a rich as our lives have been, it is only with the addition of in-laws and grandchildren that our family has been made complete. Nothing made us any happier than being made aunts and uncles while still in school. The grandkids....Carla, Dana, Derrick, Mona, Amanda, Molly, Daniel, John, Elizabeth, and Betsy.....remind us of what life is all about. With a 14-year span from the oldest to youngest children, and nearly the same period of time between the younger children and the grandchildren, we have a treasured closeness. The cycle repeats itself with the great grandchildren. We have been blessed to always have young children to keep things lively and to remind us of what is important in life. At last count, Nathan and Betty had 10 grandchildren and six great grandchildren with one more on the way. Shk 2/27/97. Nathan passed away on August 1, 1997. There are now nine great grandchildren. Revised 12/25/98.

John Nathan Hester

Service History

John Nathan Hester, Army Serial # 44053413, Private 1st Class was drafted into the United States Army after Christmas, December 1944. John married Betty Isom on January 2, 1945. John left Tuscumbia, Alabama by bus on January 9, 1945 bound for Fort McClellen, Alabama. There, he had a physical and was sworn into the Army on January 12, 1945. He was then sent to Camp Fannin, Texas for basic training. He traveled to Camp Fannin by bus by way of Camp Shelby, Mississippi. Camp Fannin was located between Tyler and Longview, Texas. He was assigned to Company C, 62nd Battalion.

Also drafted into service at this time were several local men, Choat Bird, Charles King, James Byrd, Travis Kimbrough, and William Holland. John was assigned to the same company as William Holland. On February 24, 1945, John was recognized as a sharpshooter and received a medal. After completion of basic training at Camp Fannin, Texas, John was sent to Fort Benning, Georgia for six weeks Paratroop training. He made six jumps and received a Paratroop medal called wings.

John visited home two weeks during June before reporting to Fort Ord, California for overseas duty on July 7, 1945. He was sent first to Luzo then to Manila in the Philippines. The war had ending in Europe. The US under the leadership of President Truman decided to drop the atomic bomb on Japan in August, which brought WWII to an abrupt end. John was ten assigned to the 1st Calvary Division that was a part of the occupation army in Japan. While stationed in Japan, John traveled through many cities including Tokyo, Yokohama, Osaka, Honshu, Kobe, Kyoto, and the two cities where the bombs had been dropped, Nagasaki and Hiroshima. The two cities were completely destroyed. Also witnessed General Douglas MacArthur and the leader of Japan signing the Peace Treaty and the end of WWII.

John arrived back in the United States on April 11, 1946, and was then sent to a convalescent hospital at Camp Welch in Daytona Beach, Florida for a few months. He then went to Walter Reed Hospital where he got an honorable discharge from the Army on July 17, 1946.

Decorations & Citations:

- Philippine Liberation Medal
- Asiatic Pacific Medal
- World War II Victory Medal
- Servicing Continental Service 9 months, 4 days.
- Foreign Service, 9 months, 5 days

#### More About JOHN NATHAN HESTER:

Burial: August 03, 1997, New Bethel Cemetery, Tuscumbia, AL Colbert Co., AL<sup>9</sup>

Fact 1: World War II Veteran<sup>10</sup>

Fact 2: Retired from T.V.A., Muscle Shoals, AL<sup>10</sup>

# Children of BETTY ISOM and JOHN HESTER are:

- 71. i. SARAH NELL<sup>7</sup> HESTER, b. Private.
  - ii. FRED NATHANIEL HESTER<sup>11,12</sup>, b. July 19, 1947, Colbert Co., AL<sup>13</sup>; d. October 26, 1949, Colbet Co., AL<sup>13</sup>.

#### More About FRED NATHANIEL HESTER:

Burial: October 28, 1949, Crooked Oak Cemetery, Tuscumbia, AL Colbert Co., AL<sup>13</sup>

Cause of Death: Accidental. 14

Fact 1: Buried at Crooked Oak Baptist Church Cemetary in Franklin County, Alabama. 14

- 72. iii. CAROL JEAN HESTER, b. Private.
- 73. iv. JOHN DOUGLAS HESTER, b. Private.
- 74. v. PAUL DANIEL HESTER, b. Private.
- 75. vi. SUSAN MARIE HESTER, b. Private.
- **47.** FRED CLAYTON<sup>6</sup> ISOM (*FRED BROWN*<sup>5</sup>, *FLORENCE IONE*<sup>4</sup> *BROWN*, *BYRD RUFFIN*<sup>3</sup>, *JESSE*<sup>2</sup>, *RUFFIN*<sup>1</sup>) was born Private. He married BERNICE ROMANS Private. She was born Private.

Children of FRED ISOM and BERNICE ROMANS are:

- i. FRED STEVEN<sup>7</sup> ISOM, b. Private.
- 76. ii. DAVID CLAYTON ISOM, b. Private.
- 77. iii. JAMES RAY ISOM, b. Private.
- 78. iv. MICHAEL BRUCE ISOM, b. Private.
- 79. v. SHARON RUTH ISOM, b. Private.
- **48.** FLORENCE LYNN<sup>6</sup> HALL (*LYNDELL LEE*<sup>5</sup> WELLS, FLORENCE IONE<sup>4</sup> NOBLE, FLORENCE MADORA<sup>3</sup> BROWN, *JESSE*<sup>2</sup>, *RUFFIN*<sup>1</sup>) was born Private. She married ROLLIE R. JAYNES Private. He was born Private.

Children of FLORENCE HALL and ROLLIE JAYNES are:

- i. DERREL ROGER<sup>7</sup> JAYNES, b. Private.
- ii. KAREN LYNN JAYNES, b. Private.
- iii. BETH ANN JAYNES, b. Private.
- **49.** ROBERT ALVIN<sup>6</sup> HALL (*LYNDELL LEE*<sup>5</sup> *WELLS, FLORENCE IONE*<sup>4</sup> *NOBLE, FLORENCE MADORA*<sup>3</sup> *BROWN, JESSE*<sup>2</sup>, *RUFFIN*<sup>1</sup>) was born Private. He married PATRICIA LOU BAILEY Private. She was born Private.

Child of ROBERT HALL and PATRICIA BAILEY is:

- i. BLAKE HAMILTON<sup>7</sup> HALL, b. Private.
- **50.** EMMETT CAREW BEAN<sup>6</sup> JR. (*JIMMIE HAZEL*<sup>5</sup> WELLS, FLORENCE IONE<sup>4</sup> NOBLE, FLORENCE MADORA<sup>3</sup> BROWN, *JESSE*<sup>2</sup>, RUFFIN<sup>1</sup>) was born Private. He married ALICE ELIZABETH BROADWELL Private. She was born Private.

Children of EMMETT JR. and ALICE BROADWELL are:

- i. CRAIG LEE<sup>7</sup> BEAN, b. Private.
- ii. EMMETT CAREW BEAN III, b. Private.
- iii. GARY ROLLISON BEAN, b. Private.
- iv. HAROLD WESLEY BEAN, b. Private.
- v. HOROLD CARLOS BEAN, b. Private.
- vi. THOMAS BRANDON BEAN, b. Private.
- **51.** JAMES ROBERT<sup>6</sup> WELLS (*ROLFE GARRETT*<sup>5</sup>, *FLORENCE IONE*<sup>4</sup> *NOBLE*, *FLORENCE MADORA*<sup>3</sup> *BROWN*, *JESSE*<sup>2</sup>, *RUFFIN*<sup>1</sup>) was born Private. He married ROBERTA ANN LOVE Private. She was born Private.

Children of JAMES WELLS and ROBERTA LOVE are:

- i. STEPHANIE ELIZABETH<sup>7</sup> WELLS, b. Private.
- ii. SUZANNE LOVE WELLS, b. Private.
- iii. CAROLYN JUDITH WELLS, b. Private.
- **52.** DAVID ROLFE<sup>6</sup> WELLS (*ROBERT SLOAN*<sup>5</sup>, *FLORENCE IONE*<sup>4</sup> *NOBLE*, *FLORENCE MADORA*<sup>3</sup> *BROWN*, *JESSE*<sup>2</sup>, *RUFFIN*<sup>1</sup>) was born Private. He married KATHY GAYLE HEATON Private. She was born Private.

Children of DAVID WELLS and KATHY HEATON are:

- i. HEATHER RENEE<sup>7</sup> WELLS, b. Private.
- ii. ROBERT BRENT WELLS, b. Private.

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**53.** JUDITH ANN<sup>7</sup> BROWN (*CHARLES ISOM*<sup>6</sup>, *GERTRUDE HOLLAND*<sup>5</sup> *ISOM*, *FLORENCE IONE*<sup>4</sup> *BROWN*, *BYRD RUFFIN*<sup>3</sup>, *JESSE*<sup>2</sup>, *RUFFIN*<sup>1</sup>) was born Private. She married UNKNOWN WOODY Private. He was born Private.

Children of JUDITH BROWN and UNKNOWN WOODY are:

- i. RON8 WOODY, b. Private.
- ii. JOHN M. WOODY, b. Private.
- **54.** DOUGLAS HOUSTON<sup>7</sup> BROWN (*CHARLES ISOM*<sup>6</sup>, *GERTRUDE HOLLAND*<sup>5</sup> *ISOM*, *FLORENCE IONE*<sup>4</sup> *BROWN*, *BYRD RUFFIN*<sup>3</sup>, *JESSE*<sup>2</sup>, *RUFFIN*<sup>1</sup>) was born Private. He married HOLLIE CHERYL CORNELUIS Private. She was born Private.

Children of DOUGLAS BROWN and HOLLIE CORNELUIS are:

- i. DOUGLAS HOUSTON8 BROWN, JR., b. Private.
- ii. LUKE CORNELUIS BROWN, b. Private.
- **55.** BRYCE NORMAN<sup>7</sup> ISOM (*CHARLES FRANKLIN*<sup>6</sup>, *CHARLES BRYCE*<sup>5</sup>, *FLORENCE IONE*<sup>4</sup> *BROWN*, *BYRD RUFFIN*<sup>3</sup>, *JESSE*<sup>2</sup>, *RUFFIN*<sup>1</sup>) was born Private.

Child of BRYCE NORMAN ISOM is:

- i. WILLIAM<sup>8</sup> ISOM, b. Private.
- **56.** GERALD RAY<sup>7</sup> HARGETT (*LILLIAN DELL*<sup>6</sup> *ISOM, CHARLES BRYCE*<sup>5</sup>, *FLORENCE IONE*<sup>4</sup> *BROWN, BYRD RUFFIN*<sup>3</sup>, *JESSE*<sup>2</sup>, *RUFFIN*<sup>1</sup>) was born Aft. 1935, and died June 29, 1987. He married VERINA ALLMON Private. She was born Private.

Children of GERALD HARGETT and VERINA ALLMON are:

- i. JANET<sup>8</sup> HARGETT, b. Private.
- ii. JENNIFER HARGETT, b. Private.
- iii. MYRA HARGETT, b. Private.
- **57.** MICHAEL KEITH<sup>7</sup> CURTIS (*BERTHA MAE*<sup>6</sup> *ISOM*, *CHARLES BRYCE*<sup>5</sup>, *FLORENCE IONE*<sup>4</sup> *BROWN*, *BYRD RUFFIN*<sup>3</sup>, *JESSE*<sup>2</sup>, *RUFFIN*<sup>1</sup>) was born Private. He married JANICE MINOR Private. She was born Private.

Children of MICHAEL CURTIS and JANICE MINOR are:

- i. BRITTANY<sup>8</sup> CURTIS, b. Private.
- ii. BRYCE CURTIS, b. Private.
- iii. MELODY CURTIS, b. Private.
- **58.** CHARLENE<sup>7</sup> TYON (VERA VEATRICE<sup>6</sup> ISOM, WORLEY EDWARD<sup>5</sup>, FLORENCE IONE<sup>4</sup> BROWN, BYRD RUFFIN<sup>3</sup>, JESSE<sup>2</sup>, RUFFIN<sup>1</sup>) was born Private. She married GARY ISBELL Private. He was born Private.

Children of CHARLENE TYON and GARY ISBELL are:

- i. JASON<sup>8</sup> ISBELL, b. Private.
- ii. JASON JEFFREY ISBELL, b. Private.
- **59.** DEBRA DEAN<sup>7</sup> TYON (*VERA VEATRICE*<sup>6</sup> *ISOM*, *WORLEY EDWARD*<sup>5</sup>, *FLORENCE IONE*<sup>4</sup> *BROWN*, *BYRD RUFFIN*<sup>3</sup>, *JESSE*<sup>2</sup>, *RUFFIN*<sup>1</sup>) was born Private. She married ROGER CRITTENDEN Private. He was born Private.

Children of Debra Tyon and Roger Crittenden are:

- i. ANGEL<sup>8</sup> CRITTENDEN, b. Private.
- ii. JOHN CRITTENDEN, b. Private.
- **60.** GREGORY MICHAEL<sup>7</sup> TYON (VERA VEATRICE<sup>6</sup> ISOM, WORLEY EDWARD<sup>5</sup>, FLORENCE IONE<sup>4</sup> BROWN, BYRD RUFFIN<sup>3</sup>, JESSE<sup>2</sup>, RUFFIN<sup>1</sup>) was born Private. He married (1) DEBRA PATTERSON Private. She was born Private. He married (2) CHRISTI MILSAP Private. She was born Private.

Children of GREGORY TYON and DEBRA PATTERSON are:

- i. HEATHER<sup>8</sup> TYON, b. Private; m. \*\*\*\* BOATWRIGHT, Private; b. Private.
- ii. MICHAEL TYON, b. Private.
- **61.** EDGAR (EDDIE)<sup>7</sup> ISOM (*EDGAR BRYANT*<sup>6</sup>, *WORLEY EDWARD*<sup>5</sup>, *FLORENCE IONE*<sup>4</sup> *BROWN*, *BYRD RUFFIN*<sup>3</sup>, *JESSE*<sup>2</sup>, *RUFFIN*<sup>1</sup>) was born Private. He married KATHERINE (KATHY) LEIGH WHITLOCK Private. She was born Private.

Children of EDGAR ISOM and KATHERINE WHITLOCK are:

- i. BRYANT<sup>8</sup> ISOM, b. Private.
- ii. KEVIN ISOM, b. Private.
- **62.** JAMES "JIMMY"<sup>7</sup> ISOM (*EDGAR BRYANT*<sup>6</sup>, *WORLEY EDWARD*<sup>5</sup>, *FLORENCE IONE*<sup>4</sup> *BROWN*, *BYRD RUFFIN*<sup>3</sup>, *JESSE*<sup>2</sup>, *RUFFIN*<sup>1</sup>) was born Private. He married JOY NELL WEEMS Private. She was born Private.

Children of JAMES ISOM and JOY WEEMS are:

- i. JAMIE<sup>8</sup> ISOM, b. Private.
- ii. JARED ISOM, b. Private.
- **63.** SUSAN<sup>7</sup> ISOM (*EDGAR BRYANT*<sup>6</sup>, *WORLEY EDWARD*<sup>5</sup>, *FLORENCE IONE*<sup>4</sup> *BROWN*, *BYRD RUFFIN*<sup>3</sup>, *JESSE*<sup>2</sup>, *RUFFIN*<sup>1</sup>) was born Private. She married LANCE THOMASON Private. He was born Private.

Children of SUSAN ISOM and LANCE THOMASON are:

- i. LANCE THOMASON<sup>8</sup> JR., b. Private.
- ii. SPENCE THOMASON, b. Private.

**64.** HAROLD HOYT<sup>7</sup> PORTER (*NELLIE LUCILLE*<sup>6</sup> *ISOM*, *FRED BROWN*<sup>5</sup>, *FLORENCE IONE*<sup>4</sup> *BROWN*, *BYRD RUFFIN*<sup>3</sup>, *JESSE*<sup>2</sup>, *RUFFIN*<sup>1</sup>) was born Private. He married GAY WEETA NOE Private. She was born Private.

Children of HAROLD PORTER and GAY NOE are:

- 80. i. KIMBERLY ANN<sup>8</sup> PORTER, b. Private.
- 81. ii. HAROLD HOYT PORTER II, b. Private.
- **65.** HARRY GLEEN<sup>7</sup> PORTER (*Nellie Lucille*<sup>6</sup> *Isom*, *Fred Brown*<sup>5</sup>, *Florence Ione*<sup>4</sup> *Brown*, *Byrd Ruffin*<sup>3</sup>, *Jesse*<sup>2</sup>, *Ruffin*<sup>1</sup>) was born Private. He married Brenda Sue Jackson Private. She was born Private.

Children of HARRY PORTER and BRENDA JACKSON are:

- i. ANDREW GLENN<sup>8</sup> PORTER, b. Private.
- ii. CARA LEIGH PORTER, b. Private.
- iii. HARRY TODD PORTER, b. Private.
- **66.** ALMA ANNE<sup>7</sup> WAGNON (*LUDIE ALLIE*<sup>6</sup> *ISOM*, *FRED BROWN*<sup>5</sup>, *FLORENCE IONE*<sup>4</sup> *BROWN*, *BYRD RUFFIN*<sup>3</sup>, *JESSE*<sup>2</sup>, *RUFFIN*<sup>1</sup>) was born Private. She married JAMES RAY BEVIS Private. He was born Private.

Children of ALMA WAGNON and JAMES BEVIS are:

- 82. i. MELODY ANNE<sup>8</sup> BEVIS, b. Private.
- 83. ii. ROBYN RAE BEVIS, b. Private.
- 84. iii. AMY YVETTE BEVIS, b. Private.
- 85. iv. HOLLY CAROL BEVIS, b. Private.
- **67.** REBECCA (BECKY) LANE<sup>7</sup> WAGNON (*LUDIE ALLIE*<sup>6</sup> *ISOM*, *FRED BROWN*<sup>5</sup>, *FLORENCE IONE*<sup>4</sup> *BROWN*, *BYRD RUFFIN*<sup>3</sup>, *JESSE*<sup>2</sup>, *RUFFIN*<sup>1</sup>) was born Private. She married RAYMOND MCBRIDE Private. He was born Private.

Children of REBECCA WAGNON and RAYMOND MCBRIDE are:

- 86. i. BEVERLY LANE<sup>8</sup> MCBRIDE, b. Private.
- 87. ii. VALERIE LEIGH MCBRIDE, b. Private.
- **68.** TIMOTHY ROY<sup>7</sup> WAGNON (*LUDIE ALLIE*<sup>6</sup> *ISOM, FRED BROWN*<sup>5</sup>, *FLORENCE IONE*<sup>4</sup> *BROWN, BYRD RUFFIN*<sup>3</sup>, *JESSE*<sup>2</sup>, *RUFFIN*<sup>1</sup>) was born Private. He married CINDY ALLISON COBURN Private. She was born Private.

Children of TIMOTHY WAGNON and CINDY COBURN are:

- i. APRIL ALLISON<sup>8</sup> WAGNON, b. Private.
- ii. TIMOTHY ADAM WAGNON, b. Private.
- **69.** JANET MARCEL<sup>7</sup> MALONE (*Freddie Mae*<sup>6</sup> *Isom, Fred Brown*<sup>5</sup>, *Florence Ione*<sup>4</sup> *Brown, Byrd Ruffin*<sup>3</sup>, *Jesse*<sup>2</sup>, *Ruffin*<sup>1</sup>) was born Private. She married CHARLES WILBORN MORRIS Private. He was born Private.

Children of JANET MALONE and CHARLES MORRIS are:

- 88. i. SCOTT MATTHEW8 MORRIS, b. Private.
  - ii. STACY MARCEL MORRIS, b. Private.
- **70.** CHRIS DUPREE<sup>7</sup> MALONE (*FREDDIE MAE*<sup>6</sup> *ISOM*, *FRED BROWN*<sup>5</sup>, *FLORENCE IONE*<sup>4</sup> *BROWN*, *BYRD RUFFIN*<sup>3</sup>, *JESSE*<sup>2</sup>, *RUFFIN*<sup>1</sup>) was born Private. He married CAROLYN DEAN WALLACE Private. She was born Private.

Children of CHRIS MALONE and CAROLYN WALLACE are:

- i. KEITH DUPREE<sup>8</sup> MALONE, b. Private.
- ii. CHRISTOPHER BRENT MALONE, b. Private.
- 71. SARAH NELL<sup>7</sup> HESTER (BETTY JEAN<sup>6</sup> ISOM, FRED BROWN<sup>5</sup>, FLORENCE IONE<sup>4</sup> BROWN, BYRD RUFFIN<sup>3</sup>, JESSE<sup>2</sup>,

RUFFIN<sup>1</sup>) was born Private. She married JIMMY DOAN MCKEE Private, son of THURMAN MCKEE and OLA WOODS. He was born Private.

Children of SARAH HESTER and JIMMY MCKEE are:

89. i. DANA MARIE<sup>8</sup> MCKEE, b. Private.

90. ii. JIMMY DERRICK MCKEE, b. Private.

**72.** CAROL JEAN<sup>7</sup> HESTER (*BETTY JEAN*<sup>6</sup> *ISOM, FRED BROWN*<sup>5</sup>, *FLORENCE IONE*<sup>4</sup> *BROWN, BYRD RUFFIN*<sup>3</sup>, *JESSE*<sup>2</sup>, *RUFFIN*<sup>1</sup>) was born Private. She married (1) ERNEST FRANKLIN WHITAKER, JR Private, son of ERNEST WHITAKER and HATTIE HARRELL. He was born Private. She married (2) ERNEST FRANKLIN WHITAKER, JR. Private, son of ERNEST WHITAKER and HATTIE HARRELL. He was born Private.

Children of CAROL HESTER and ERNEST WHITAKER are:

91. i. CARLA DENICE<sup>8</sup> WHITAKER, b. Private.

92. ii. MONA JEAN WHITAKER, b. Private.

Child of CAROL HESTER and ERNEST WHITAKER is:

93. iii. CARLA DENISE<sup>8</sup> WHITAKER, b. Private.

**73.** JOHN DOUGLAS<sup>7</sup> HESTER (*BETTY JEAN*<sup>6</sup> *ISOM, FRED BROWN*<sup>5</sup>, *FLORENCE IONE*<sup>4</sup> *BROWN, BYRD RUFFIN*<sup>3</sup>, *JESSE*<sup>2</sup>, *RUFFIN*<sup>1</sup>) was born Private. He married RHONDA GAIL RICH Private, daughter of TOMMY RICH and EVELYN CHOAT. She was born Private.

Children of JOHN HESTER and RHONDA RICH are:

- i. MOLLY EVE<sup>8</sup> HESTER, b. Private.
- ii. JOHNNA BETSY HESTER, b. Private.
- **74.** PAUL DANIEL<sup>7</sup> HESTER (*BETTY JEAN*<sup>6</sup> *ISOM, FRED BROWN*<sup>5</sup>, *FLORENCE IONE*<sup>4</sup> *BROWN, BYRD RUFFIN*<sup>3</sup>, *JESSE*<sup>2</sup>, *RUFFIN*<sup>1</sup>) was born Private. He married (2) SHERYL KATHRYN YOUNG Private, daughter of FROHMAN YOUNG and MARY KIRSCH. She was born Private.

Children of PAUL HESTER and SHERYL YOUNG are:

- 94. i. AMANDA KATHRYN<sup>8</sup> HESTER, b. Private.
  - ii. DANIEL NATHAN HESTER, b. Private.
- **75.** SUSAN MARIE<sup>7</sup> HESTER (*BETTY JEAN*<sup>6</sup> *ISOM, FRED BROWN*<sup>5</sup>, *FLORENCE IONE*<sup>4</sup> *BROWN, BYRD RUFFIN*<sup>3</sup>, *JESSE*<sup>2</sup>, *RUFFIN*<sup>1</sup>) was born Private. She married AHMAD ADAM KARBAF Private, son of MOHAMMAD KARBAF and GHAMAR KOOPAIE. He was born Private.

Children of SUSAN HESTER and AHMAD KARBAF are:

- i. JOHN AHMAD<sup>8</sup> KARBAF, b. Private.
- ii. ELIZABETH ROYA KARBAF, b. Private.
- **76.** DAVID CLAYTON<sup>7</sup> ISOM (*FRED CLAYTON*<sup>6</sup>, *FRED BROWN*<sup>5</sup>, *FLORENCE IONE*<sup>4</sup> *BROWN*, *BYRD RUFFIN*<sup>3</sup>, *JESSE*<sup>2</sup>, *RUFFIN*<sup>1</sup>) was born Private. He married MARY ELLEN PORTER Private. She was born Private.

Children of DAVID ISOM and MARY PORTER are:

- 95. i. TIFFANI MARIE<sup>8</sup> ISOM, b. Private.
  - ii. DAVID CLAYTON "CLAY" ISOM, b. Private.
- **77.** JAMES RAY<sup>7</sup> ISOM (*FRED CLAYTON*<sup>6</sup>, *FRED BROWN*<sup>5</sup>, *FLORENCE IONE*<sup>4</sup> *BROWN*, *BYRD RUFFIN*<sup>3</sup>, *JESSE*<sup>2</sup>, *RUFFIN*<sup>1</sup>) was born Private. He married MICHELLE DENICE BLASINGIM Private. She was born Private.

Children of JAMES ISOM and MICHELLE BLASINGIM are:

i. CHRISTY DENICE<sup>8</sup> ISOM, b. Private.

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- ii. CLINTON RAY ISOM, b. Private.
- **78.** MICHAEL BRUCE<sup>7</sup> ISOM (*FRED CLAYTON*<sup>6</sup>, *FRED BROWN*<sup>5</sup>, *FLORENCE IONE*<sup>4</sup> *BROWN*, *BYRD RUFFIN*<sup>3</sup>, *JESSE*<sup>2</sup>, *RUFFIN*<sup>1</sup>) was born Private. He married DEANNE GAY GREEN Private. She was born Private.

Children of MICHAEL ISOM and DEANNE GREEN are:

- i. KARLI AMBER<sup>8</sup> ISOM, b. Private.
- ii. KALLIE ERIN ISOM, b. Private.
- iii. ANNA KAITHLAN ISOM, b. Private.
- iv. MICAH ADDISON ROSS ISOM, b. Private.
- **79.** SHARON RUTH<sup>7</sup> ISOM (*FRED CLAYTON*<sup>6</sup>, *FRED BROWN*<sup>5</sup>, *FLORENCE IONE*<sup>4</sup> *BROWN*, *BYRD RUFFIN*<sup>3</sup>, *JESSE*<sup>2</sup>, *RUFFIN*<sup>1</sup>) was born Private. She married JIMMY JOE SMITH Private. He was born Private.

Children of SHARON ISOM and JIMMY SMITH are:

- i. JUSTIN MATTHEW8 SMITH, b. Private.
- ii. JARED CLAYTON SMITH, b. Private.

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**80.** KIMBERLY ANN<sup>8</sup> PORTER (*HAROLD HOYT*<sup>7</sup>, *NELLIE LUCILLE*<sup>6</sup> *ISOM*, *FRED BROWN*<sup>5</sup>, *FLORENCE IONE*<sup>4</sup> *BROWN*, *BYRD RUFFIN*<sup>3</sup>, *JESSE*<sup>2</sup>, *RUFFIN*<sup>1</sup>) was born Private. She married JAMES GREGORY KIEL Private. He was born Private.

Children of KIMBERLY PORTER and JAMES KIEL are:

- i. JAMES BLAIR<sup>9</sup> KIEL, b. Private.
- ii. BROCK PORTER KIEL, b. Private.
- iii. MOLLY BROOKANN KIEL, b. Private.
- **81.** HAROLD HOYT<sup>8</sup> PORTER II (*HAROLD HOYT*<sup>7</sup>, *NELLIE LUCILLE*<sup>6</sup> *ISOM*, *FRED BROWN*<sup>5</sup>, *FLORENCE IONE*<sup>4</sup> *BROWN*, *BYRD RUFFIN*<sup>3</sup>, *JESSE*<sup>2</sup>, *RUFFIN*<sup>1</sup>) was born Private. He married KIMBERLY JUANITA LATHAM Private. She was born Private.

Children of HAROLD PORTER and KIMBERLY LATHAM are:

- i. HALLEY KAY<sup>9</sup> PORTER, b. Private.
- ii. HAYDEN WILSON PORTER, b. Private.
- **82.** MELODY ANNE<sup>8</sup> BEVIS (*ALMA ANNE*<sup>7</sup> WAGNON, LUDIE ALLIE<sup>6</sup> ISOM, FRED BROWN<sup>5</sup>, FLORENCE IONE<sup>4</sup> BROWN, BYRD RUFFIN<sup>3</sup>, JESSE<sup>2</sup>, RUFFIN<sup>1</sup>) was born Private. She married BOBBY DON BAKER Private. He was born Private.

Children of MELODY BEVIS and BOBBY BAKER are:

- i. CHANNING ELIZABETH<sup>9</sup> BAKER, b. Private.
- ii. AMELIA RAE BAKER, b. Private.
- **83.** ROBYN RAE<sup>8</sup> BEVIS (*ALMA ANNE*<sup>7</sup> *WAGNON, LUDIE ALLIE*<sup>6</sup> *ISOM, FRED BROWN*<sup>5</sup>, *FLORENCE IONE*<sup>4</sup> *BROWN, BYRD RUFFIN*<sup>3</sup>, *JESSE*<sup>2</sup>, *RUFFIN*<sup>1</sup>) was born Private. She married PERRY ALLEN BALCON Private. He was born Private.

Children of ROBYN BEVIS and PERRY BALCON are:

- i. BLAKE BEVIS<sup>9</sup> BALCON, b. Private.
- ii. CELESTE ANNMARIE BALCON, b. Private.
- iii. DEREK ALLEN BALCON, b. Private.

**84.** AMY YVETTE<sup>8</sup> BEVIS (*ALMA ANNE*<sup>7</sup> *WAGNON, LUDIE ALLIE*<sup>6</sup> *ISOM, FRED BROWN*<sup>5</sup>, *FLORENCE IONE*<sup>4</sup> *BROWN, BYRD RUFFIN*<sup>3</sup>, *JESSE*<sup>2</sup>, *RUFFIN*<sup>1</sup>) was born Private. She married STEPHEN MCMILLAN POE Private. He was born Private.

Children of AMY BEVIS and STEPHEN POE are:

- i. STEPHEN MCMILLION "MAX" POE, b. Private.
- ii. EMILY ANN POE, b. Private.
- iii. JOHNATHAN SANDERS POE, b. Private.
- **85.** HOLLY CAROL<sup>8</sup> BEVIS (*ALMA ANNE*<sup>7</sup> WAGNON, *LUDIE ALLIE*<sup>6</sup> ISOM, FRED BROWN<sup>5</sup>, FLORENCE IONE<sup>4</sup> BROWN, BYRD RUFFIN<sup>3</sup>, JESSE<sup>2</sup>, RUFFIN<sup>1</sup>) was born Private. She married DAVID MICHAEL JOHNSTON Private. He was born Private.

Children of HOLLY BEVIS and DAVID JOHNSTON are:

- i. MEGAN D'ANN<sup>9</sup> JOHNSTON, b. Private.
- ii. ELIZABETH SARAH ALLIEANN JOHNSTON, b. Private.
- **86.** BEVERLY LANE<sup>8</sup> MCBRIDE (*REBECCA (BECKY) LANE<sup>7</sup> WAGNON, LUDIE ALLIE<sup>6</sup> ISOM, FRED BROWN*<sup>5</sup>, *FLORENCE IONE*<sup>4</sup> *BROWN, BYRD RUFFIN*<sup>3</sup>, *JESSE*<sup>2</sup>, *RUFFIN*<sup>1</sup>) was born Private. She married GREGORY EMERSON Private. He was born Private.

Children of BEVERLY MCBRIDE and GREGORY EMERSON are:

- i. ERICA LANE<sup>9</sup> EMERSON, b. Private.
- ii. WILLIAM "WILL" EMERSON, b. Private.
- **87.** VALERIE LEIGH<sup>8</sup> MCBRIDE (*REBECCA (BECKY) LANE*<sup>7</sup> *WAGNON, LUDIE ALLIE*<sup>6</sup> *ISOM, FRED BROWN*<sup>5</sup>, *FLORENCE IONE*<sup>4</sup> *BROWN, BYRD RUFFIN*<sup>3</sup>, *JESSE*<sup>2</sup>, *RUFFIN*<sup>1</sup>) was born Private. She married DAVID SHAWN DRUMONDS Private. He was born Private.

Child of VALERIE MCBRIDE and DAVID DRUMONDS is:

- i. GRAYSON LEE<sup>9</sup> DRUMONDS, b. Private.
- **88.** SCOTT MATTHEW<sup>8</sup> MORRIS (*JANET MARCEL*<sup>7</sup> *MALONE, FREDDIE MAE*<sup>6</sup> *ISOM, FRED BROWN*<sup>5</sup>, *FLORENCE IONE*<sup>4</sup> *BROWN, BYRD RUFFIN*<sup>3</sup>, *JESSE*<sup>2</sup>, *RUFFIN*<sup>1</sup>) was born Private. He married ALLISON RENEE KNOWLES Private. She was born Private.

Child of SCOTT MORRIS and ALLISON KNOWLES is:

- i. ETHAN ALEXANDER<sup>9</sup> MORRIS, b. Private.
- **89.** DANA MARIE<sup>8</sup> MCKEE (SARAH NELL<sup>7</sup> HESTER, BETTY JEAN<sup>6</sup> ISOM, FRED BROWN<sup>5</sup>, FLORENCE IONE<sup>4</sup> BROWN, BYRD RUFFIN<sup>3</sup>, JESSE<sup>2</sup>, RUFFIN<sup>1</sup>) was born Private. She married MARK TODD WALLACE Private, son of CHARLES WALLACE and DIANE. He was born Private.

Children of DANA MCKEE and MARK WALLACE are:

- i. JOHN MARK<sup>9</sup> WALLACE, b. Private.
- ii. NICHOLAS TODD WALLACE, b. Private.
- iii. SARAH MARIE WALLACE, b. Private.
- **90.** JIMMY DERRICK<sup>8</sup> MCKEE (*SARAH NELL*<sup>7</sup> *HESTER*, *BETTY JEAN*<sup>6</sup> *ISOM*, *FRED BROWN*<sup>5</sup>, *FLORENCE IONE*<sup>4</sup> *BROWN*, *BYRD RUFFIN*<sup>3</sup>, *JESSE*<sup>2</sup>, *RUFFIN*<sup>1</sup>) was born Private. He married VICTORIA "VICKIE" ANN HUNTER Private, daughter of C.W. HUNTER and ELEANOR. She was born Private.

Children of JIMMY MCKEE and VICTORIA HUNTER are:

- i. JAMES HUNTER<sup>9</sup> MCKEE, b. Private.
- ii. NATHAN SAMUEL MCKEE, b. Private.

**91.** CARLA DENICE<sup>8</sup> WHITAKER (*CAROL JEAN*<sup>7</sup> *HESTER, BETTY JEAN*<sup>6</sup> *ISOM, FRED BROWN*<sup>5</sup>, *FLORENCE IONE*<sup>4</sup> *BROWN, BYRD RUFFIN*<sup>3</sup>, *JESSE*<sup>2</sup>, *RUFFIN*<sup>1</sup>) was born Private. She married LARRY DON BROCK Private, son of PAUL BROCK and LILA KING. He was born Private.

Children of CARLA WHITAKER and LARRY BROCK are:

- i. JORDON ETHAN<sup>9</sup> BROCK, b. Private.
- ii. EVAN NATHANIEL BROCK, b. Private.
- **92.** MONA JEAN<sup>8</sup> WHITAKER (*CAROL JEAN*<sup>7</sup> *HESTER, BETTY JEAN*<sup>6</sup> *ISOM, FRED BROWN*<sup>5</sup>, *FLORENCE IONE*<sup>4</sup> *BROWN, BYRD RUFFIN*<sup>3</sup>, *JESSE*<sup>2</sup>, *RUFFIN*<sup>1</sup>) was born Private. She married (1) RANDALL "RANDY" BARBEE Private. He was born Private. She married (2) RANDALL HUGH BARBEE Private. He was born Private.

Child of MONA WHITAKER and RANDALL BARBEE is:

- i. HOUSTON<sup>9</sup> BARBEE, b. Private.
- **93.** CARLA DENISE<sup>8</sup> WHITAKER (*CAROL JEAN*<sup>7</sup> *HESTER, BETTY JEAN*<sup>6</sup> *ISOM, FRED BROWN*<sup>5</sup>, *FLORENCE IONE*<sup>4</sup> *BROWN, BYRD RUFFIN*<sup>3</sup>, *JESSE*<sup>2</sup>, *RUFFIN*<sup>1</sup>) was born Private. She married LARRY DON BROCK Private, son of PAUL BROCK and LILA KING. He was born Private.

Child of CARLA WHITAKER and LARRY BROCK is:

- i. JORDAN ETHAN<sup>9</sup> BROCK, b. Private.
- **94.** AMANDA KATHRYN<sup>8</sup> HESTER (*PAUL DANIEL*<sup>7</sup>, *BETTY JEAN*<sup>6</sup> *ISOM*, *FRED BROWN*<sup>5</sup>, *FLORENCE IONE*<sup>4</sup> *BROWN*, *BYRD RUFFIN*<sup>3</sup>, *JESSE*<sup>2</sup>, *RUFFIN*<sup>1</sup>) was born Private. She married JAMES CHARLES BALTZ Private, son of DENNIS BALTZ and GERTRUDE NIEMAN. He was born Private.

Children of AMANDA HESTER and JAMES BALTZ are:

- i. JESSICA MARIE<sup>9</sup> BALTZ, b. Private.
- ii. STEPHEN JAMES BALTZ, b. Private.
- **95.** TIFFANI MARIE<sup>8</sup> ISOM (*DAVID CLAYTON*<sup>7</sup>, *FRED CLAYTON*<sup>6</sup>, *FRED BROWN*<sup>5</sup>, *FLORENCE IONE*<sup>4</sup> *BROWN*, *BYRD RUFFIN*<sup>3</sup>, *JESSE*<sup>2</sup>, *RUFFIN*<sup>1</sup>) was born Private. She married HEATH DEWAYNE STONECIPHER Private. He was born Private.

Child of TIFFANI ISOM and HEATH STONECIPHER is:

- i. MADELINE MARIE<sup>9</sup> STONECIPHER, b. Private.
- **96.** CHRISTY DENICE<sup>8</sup> ISOM (*JAMES RAY*<sup>7</sup>, *FRED CLAYTON*<sup>6</sup>, *FRED BROWN*<sup>5</sup>, *FLORENCE IONE*<sup>4</sup> *BROWN*, *BYRD RUFFIN*<sup>3</sup>, *JESSE*<sup>2</sup>, *RUFFIN*<sup>1</sup>) was born Private. She married (2) JAMES EUDONE VINSON Private. He was born Private.

Child of CHRISTY DENICE ISOM is:

i. LAUREN ASHLEY9 ISOM, b. Private.

Children of CHRISTY ISOM and JAMES VINSON are:

- ii. CHASE<sup>9</sup> VINSON, b. Private.
- iii. AUSTIN JAMES VINSON, b. Private.

#### **Endnotes**

- $1. \ \, Betty \ Jean \ (Isom) \ Hester, Ligon \ Family \ Genealogy. FTW, \ Date \ of \ Import: \ Jan \ 17, 2003.$
- 2. Francis%20Hester%20Descendants.ftw, Date of Import: May 7, 2003.

- 3. Betty Jean (Isom) Hester, Ligon Family Genealogy.FTW, Date of Import: Jan 17, 2003.
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