

# *The Dedmon Connection*

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## **Editorial** *eroy's* **L**ines

I am trying to get the January issue of the Dedmon Connection finished and online before the month is over. I trust you all had a great holiday season and are having a good 1999 so far.. It's hard to believe that the year 2000 is so close

upon us. Our research on the family is going quite well. I used to think I knew every Dedmon in the United States... Of course you have to understand that I thought that there were only a few of us... Almost every week I hear from a new Dedmon. One thing I have discovered is that most Dedmons know very little about their families.

I am in the process of making some changes to the Web Page. I have added the Surname search feature. I believe this will help you in your quest for your heritage. However, it takes a lot of my space and I am having to locate other web sites to "house" some of the other parts of the page.. For example this newsletter is found at <http://members.xoom.com/gldedmon/connection.html>.

Presently many of the photos are not on-line right now. I have registered the name dedmon.org and plan to use it as soon as I can get the details arranged. Thanks to all of you who have offered to assist me financially for this project. The day may come when I will have to take you up on the offer, but as for now everything is ok.. However, I do need your help in providing articles, etc. for publication. Don't be bashful, send me some stories from your family archives. I know all of us grew up hearing those "tales of yester year"... So come on folks, lets share with others....

### **Catoosa County Heritage Book**

The Catoosa Book is now available. It is a beautiful red bound book with gold letters. There are approximately 400 pages and almost 1000 articles of history. There are several stories relating to the Dedmon family. It will be a valuable addition to your genealogy library. There are other printed materials available from Catoosa County. The heritage book can be obtained from:

**Catoosa County Historical Society**

**P.O. Box 113**

**Ringgold, GA 30736**



**THE DEDMON HOMEPLACE, MOCKSVILLE, NC.**

Thanks to Danny McBee for submitting the following photos. He sent me several that I intend to use in future issues of the DC. I know he was beginning to wonder if I would ever return them... He was very patient and understanding...



**JAMES DORSETT HOLSHOUSER, JOHN FRANKLIN DEADMON, THOMAS JEFFERSON DEADMON, AND MARSHALL OWENS DEDMOND.**

If someone can identify which name goes with which face.. let me know... James Holshouser was the husband of Sarah "Sally" Dedmond. She was a sister to the grandfather of Danny McBee.



# In the Mailbag

## Fan Mail

(Well everybody likes to be bragged on)

This is the best edition of the dc yet. No ifs, and, or buts about it. Great job. Lots of neat information. I have often wondered about old Seneca Dedmon myself. Thanks again for all your efforts on the dedmon connection.  
Danny (McBee49@aol.com)

Leroy, It looks great. I just had to read all of it. Some very good responses. Is your newsletter just another index.html file that you link to?  
Thanks again,  
Janna (JannaBSU@aol.com)

Looks great as usual, thank you for the wonderful paper you put out... Jackie  
(:Jackie5050@aol.com)

Hello, Leroy!  
It is good to hear from you! I enjoyed the newsletter for December. It amazes me that you are both willing and able to take on such a wonderful project. I know how busy you are at this time of year, and your newsletter is a special gift to thousands of folks. ....I heard from Jim Dedmon. He was kind enough to send a printout of the Descendants of John L. Dedmon. I was glad to know you shared the data I sent to you. I have some very nice cousins! Merry Christmas!  
Sue (jslloyd@swbell.net)

Thanks Leroy,  
I just checked the Dedmon site, enjoyed, please notify me when you do another connection. I was surprised to find Danny mcBee on the first one--small world. He and my husband are connected through the Magbee, to me, McBee to Danny. I will have to get in touch with him to she where he ties in because the Magbee line is not connected to the Dedman line.  
Clare (Tiafind@aol.com)

Leroy,  
Thanks for the information on the newsletter. I enjoyed reading it. Hope you and your family are well. Take care.  
Lois Arthur  
(parish@smithville.net)

Hello Leroy,  
My apology for late data. You were right on Howard Danial Smith (dec) m to Dorothy. Tried to use your system to organize data the best I could & maybe you can gather some usable info from it. We got the 'Generations Deluxe Edition of Family Tree' SW but I have to learn how to input data. Cindy (Traphagan) Warren in Texas City (cindy\_x\_Warren@amoco.com) has info also. Cindy & others are Org. Rariden/Dedmon Reunion in Lewisville, TX for Memorial Day & working on Genealogy tree also. One big note: \*\* Ernie Dedmon Jr. is Floyd's older brother, (\*not oldest son) Attached 5-6 pages are far from complete but maybe the update will help. Saw your web site, & it's great. Also the Kozlowski's had a 3rd child Anita, also.  
Bob Kenney  
(rkenney1@airmail.net)

Be sure to visit the Dedmon Family Home Page and View My Guest Book. Also if you have not already done so, be sure to Sign My Guest Book.

Hello again Rev. Leroy Dedmon,

We talked about a year ago, when I had just discovered my DEDMON connection, which is through Mark and Hannah's daughter, Sarah who married Abraham PADGETT. Their daughter, Sicily PADGETT married my gg-grandfather, Samuel GREEN. Their son, Joseph Kimsey GREENE was my g-grandfather. His son, Clyde Alexander GREENE was my grandfather and Joseph Clyde GREENE was my father. You helped so much when I was just getting started (and Danny McBee, too). I am still about where I was then, with DEDMON research. You shared so much with me and it was so thorough. One thing is new. The ladies at the local (Rutherford Co., NC) Genealogical Society have been wanting me to join the DAR, because I have several Revolutionay War Ancestors. While looking over each of them, I discovered that I probably already have sufficient documentation to go in through Mark DEDMON's service. I checked with the National DAR and they said that they do not have Mark in their Patriot Index, which is another good reason to use Mark. Because of his service, he really should be listed as a Patriot. I have the following documentation: Mark's Rev. War Pension Application from the National Archives, a record of his pay vouchers from the NC State Archives, Mark and Hannah's marriage bond from the NC State Archives, Marriage bonds for Sarah DEDMON and Abraham PADGETT and for Sicily PADGETT and Samuel GREEN, Family Bible Record of Abraham PADGETT and Sarah DEDMON, and birth, marriage, and/or death certificates for all the others, as well as copies of Census Records, showing family groups. I think I am just about ready to submit it to the local chapter. If I have listed anything here, that you do not have and would like copies, I would be happy to mail them to you. Also, if you are in contact with other DEDMON researchers, please pass along the fact that I do plan to get Mark into the DAR Patriot Index. One other thing I would like to share with you. The old, lost PADGETT family cemetery, where Mark's daughter, Sarah (Dedmon) PADGETT and Abraham PADGETT are buried, has been located and the descendants are in the process of reclaiming it. There are about 80 graves there, most marked with field stones. As a little girl, I can remember going to High Shoals Bapt. Church with my grandfather and father to take flowers on their annual Memorial Day. After visiting there, my grandfather would walk through the woods for about a mile to the old cemetery to visit the graves of Abraham and Sarah. His grandmother, Sicily PADGETT Green had asked him to visit the graves of her parents as long as he was able, which he did, so even though there are no names and dates on their tombstones, I do know for sure that they are there. It has been nice to chat with you again.

Shirley (Greene) Pittman  
(moochie@rfci.net)

Hi Leroy! I just got connected to our new email system here at work and I have dozens of messages I never saw. Thanks so much for sending this. I'm printing it out and will get back to it soon. I don't know how to work all the bells and whistles yet. Hope you and yours are still wonderful. Except for flu bugs we're just fine. Bobby retires from GTE Friday 1/22/99, but will still work for someone for a few more years yet. Take good care of yourself! The home page is WONDERFUL! -Marye Dedmon  
(mdedmon@pasco.k12.fl.us)

Dear Leroy,

I finally got through mindspring to your homepage. I had to go to the mindspring user home pages and do a search. I was beginning to believe that I was never going to see the Dedmon newsletter. Thankfully, I finally got there. I just wanted to let you know that I really enjoyed the newsletter and your home page and that I now have it bookmarked so I can find it more readily. Thanks again. Robyn  
beverly.davidson@MCI2000.com

Greetings from the Allens of Pinellas County, Florida. Just found your webpage on the Deadman Family thru ICQ. Would love for you to email us at this address at: jcallen23@prodigy.net. Have additional info for you and would also like to ask some questions. Pretty surprised to find the web site. Good job. We really enjoyed it.  
Jeffery Allen

*The following letters are all from Shanna Franks, I am including them as she wrote them to me. I am sure the information she includes will aid some of you in your research.... This is the kind of response we always look for... Thanks Shana*

Dear Sir: I am busy researching my family tree for my grandmother. Her maiden name is Dedmon and she was born and raised in Oklahoma. Her father was Raymond A. Dedmon, and his father was Hansel M. Dedmon. He is unfortunately as far back as I have gotten. He was born October 14 1876 and died June 7 1962. We believe that Hansel's father was an immigrant from Ireland. I also believe that the spelling then was Dedmond. If you have any information that could help me I would sincerely appreciate it. Thanks so much for your time -Mrs.Franks

Mr Dedmon: Thanks so much for your speedy reply. I support Windows 98 so anything you can send me will be appreciated. Also, I have some new information about Hansel Marcus that you can add to your records. His actual date of birth is October 14 1876, and he died June 7 1962. His wife Ada L. Pearson was born 1880 and died 1958. They both are buried in Monroe, Oklahoma. There is also another child that was not mentioned and his name is Novie Udell Dedmon and he was born about 1922. He is still living and doing well. Raymond Arthur Dedmon was born December 31, 1904 in Oklahoma and he married Annice Menthy Gregory January 4, 1936. They had two children, Melba Kay Dedmon and Mildred Fay Dedmon. Melba was born November 2, 1936 and Mildred was born June 20, 1942. Melba married Earl Benton Barnes September 16, 1952. They had two children Diana Kay Barnes born January 6, 1960 and Tamara Rebecca Barnes born June 22, 1961. Diana married Jack W. Wilson October 11, 1974. They had one child Shana Diane Wilson born June 18, 1975. Shana Diane married Brian Dean Franks July 17, 1992. They have two children. Brandon Shea born December 27, 1994, and Briana Lynn born November 12, 1996. Diana's second marriage was to Donnie Allen Waymire June 18, 1976. They had three children, Alecia Ann born September 26, 1977, Andrea Kay born July 6 1983, Joshua Isaiah born March 1 1989. Alecia Ann married KC Bunn September 21, 1998. Tamara Rebecca married Curtis Eugene Kunze January 21, 1981. They have one son Daniel Curtis Benton Kunze born March 25, 1984. Tamara died July 17, 1996. Mildred Fay Dedmon married Ovil Nay Brand June 21, 1959. They have two children Kimberly Fay born November 12, 1961, and Mark Edward born March 17, 1976. Kimberly Fay married John Albert January 1981. They have one son, John David Albert born April 1983. Mark Edward married Lorrie ? July 17, 1998. I hope this new information will help you to put another branch on our tree. I will talk to my grandma tomorrow and she can get some more information about Hansels other childrens families. Thanks so much -Shana Franks

Dear Mr. Dedmon: I spoke to my grandma this morning and she talked to Novie Udell and he has some different information then you have recorded. He looked these things up in their family bible and these are the corrections. These are the children of Hansel and Ada in order from first to last. 1. Flossie -died at birth August 1899 2. Iva- died at birth March 7, 1901 3. Ona -born Oct 1, 1902 4. Raymond -Dec 30, 1904 5. Herman- March 6, 1907 6. Pearl -Aug 14, 1909 7. Opal- Feb 27, 1916 8. Eva -Oct 7, 1918 9. Novie -Oct 29, 1922 Novie also said that he knows that our branch of the tree is Dutch/German. The Irish I was talking about before is on Ada's side. These are some corrections to the information I gave you yesterday. Mark Edward Brand married Lorrie Macdonald July 17, 1998 John David Albert was born April 26, 1984 Kimberly Fay married John Albert February 7, 1981 Kimberly Fay was born November 12, 1962 Novie is going to send us more information about his wives and child. I hope these corrections help you and I am eager to get the information you have about my ancestors. Thanks so much. -Shana Franks (franx@lemoorenet.com)

## Lost Relatives???

On occasion I stumble across obituaries that contain names of our relatives?? that I am unable to connect. I share them with you in hopes you may be able to connect them to the family tree.

**McClain County: Purcell Register, Thursday, December 25, 1999:**  
**Emery DEDMON**, age 69, died Dec. 21, 1997 at Byars. Interment at Byars Cemetery. Born May 26, 1928, in Elk City, to Rabin and Mary Alice (STEVENS) DEDMON. Married Fay GOLDEN on October. 9, 1948.

<http://www.rootsweb.com/~okbits/okbits/query110.htm#1599>  
(Oklahoma Obits)

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--Leroy

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