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**Leroy Dedmon,**  
Editor

## FOOTBALL COACH BUILDING CONFIDENCE IN YOUTH

*When I came across this article, my first thoughts reminded me of my childhood days. We literally played outside from dawn to dark and sometimes later. Hats off to Damion Dedmon for the good work he is doing. I hope you enjoy the article as much as I did.*

In his day, kids used to play outside until the streetlights came on, said Damion Dedmon. Now kids want to sit around inside and play video games. "That is the common thing parents talk to me about. We don't understand it," said Dedmon. "I ended up doing something that is all-year around to keep then playing." In his spare time he runs the Play Makers, a flag football league for youths.

"Play Makers is a competitive NFL affiliated youth flag football program. By being a member of the NFL Play 60 program, the idea is to have our youth running and burning calories for at least 60 minutes a day," Dedmon said. "In my opinion, the NFL-brand flag football game has been a perfect collaboration in order to achieve this goal." NFL Flag Football is a non-contact sport that is played five on five. It teaches the fundamentals of the game of football. It also builds confidence for the modest of players and patience for the more talented ones. Sportsmanship and learning the importance of becoming a student athlete is emphasized.

"I believe kids need to play for at least 60 minutes a day," he said. "Video games have become the norm for a majority of kids to spend their free time. This mindset is unacceptable for parents of my generation. We seem to like to see our kids playing a competitive sport." "Since flag football is non-contact, a lot of parents enjoy seeing their child participating in this sport because they know there is very minimum risk for an injury to occur," he said. "It builds confidence in all players, even for the smaller players because it is non-contact and they can pull the opponent's flags without the fear of being injured." Dedmon's Play Makers is made up for about 50 youths, from ages 5 to 13, who come from all over south Phoenix.

We have the league divided into teams in NFL affiliated flag football jerseys. We play each other throughout the season," he said. On a recent weekend the league took part in their first Big Red Flag tournament where they played against teams from Tucson and other teams from the greater Phoenix area. "We didn't win as many games as the other kids, but they (his kids) came back with a lot of knowledge, which is priceless."

About 2,000 kids participated in the event which was held at ASU stadium, he said. Next time I expect for us to win a lot of games," he said. "It's important for the kids to have memories. Coming from a small town in Oklahoma, I didn't have the opportunity to have sports to choose from. One of my motivating factors is that I try to do some things I could have done."

The first day, after registration, the kids are put through the paces of running though skill assessments. "We see how fast they are, how well they throw the football and what team they are going to be on," he said. He said he has no trouble attracting players. "I do a local television station, I give flyers to the local elementary schools, and I speak to people randomly and at community events. If there is a local event, I make it a point to be there," he said. "My major challenge is finding the right facility to accommodate all our needs," he said. "Being from this side of town, we don't have the best facilities like North Phoenix or Scottsdale," he said.

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They currently play at Trailside Point Elementary School, but will soon outgrow it. He has eight volunteer coaches and his wife Holly and her friend Rosa Dieken to help out and keep things running smoothly.



**Damion Dedmon**

The best thing about being in the league is that he sees a boy who was shy at first become more confident and more assertive. "I've seen a kid catch the ball for the first time and run straight to their parents and say, 'see what I did,'" he said. Even seeing a child who continually runs the wrong way down the field, finally figure it out is a treat for him," he said.



Once they hit high school, the youths understand the basics of the game and all that is left is for them to learn how to tackle, he said. Three of his children are boys 7, 11 and 13. They play in the league, his oldest helping out.

The couple also has a 2-year-old daughter. His day job is a project manager of fiber equipment for Cox business projects. He has been with Cox for six years.



USA Football is excited to announce that the 2016 NFL FLAG Championships will be held at Pro Bowl in Orlando, FL. NFL FLAG will host 8 Regional Tournaments this fall in Indianapolis, New Orleans, Washington DC, Boston, New York, Houston, Phoenix, and San Diego. The winners in each age division from each tournament will advance to the Championships at Pro Bowl. Age divisions are as follows: 9-10 Coed, 11-12 Coed, 13-14 Boys, 13-14 Girls..

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Memory Lane*

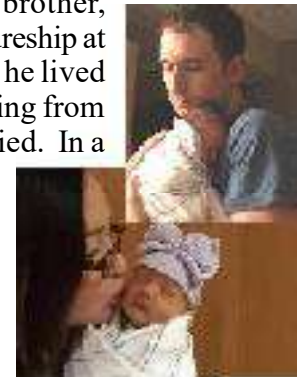
*Send me your old stories or articles relating to the  
Dedmon Family. Come on folks!!! Dig into that old  
shoe box in the closet and bring out the goodies!!!!*

**AMONG OUR LATEST ARRIVALS**



**Lucie Williams, born August 19, 2016  
to Joey and Allison Williams**

When I saw this it reminded me of the swiftness of passing of time. It seems only yesterday when Joey was not much older than this. Although, he was around ten when I first met him. His father and mother, Mark and Paula Smith Williams, moved to Woodstock and placed their membership with the church where I was preaching. Paula became one of the secretaries and Mark was appointed as an elder. What we did not know at the time was both of them crossed family lines with the Dedmon family. This was discovered several years after I retired and moved from Woodstock. I was in conversation with Mark's brother, Tony, while attending a lectureship at Karns, TN. I knew Tony as he lived in Woodstock after graduating from college and before he married. In a discussion of where I was living at the time, he said "that's the area where my folks are buried". While we have not discovered actual "blood kin" they are both cousins to several of my Dedmon cousins.



**Proud parents,  
Joey and Allison**



## WILL THE REAL JIM DEDMAN PLEASE STAND UP

Thanks to James (Jim) Monroe Dedman, III for the information provided on this page.



**“Four Jim Dedmans”:** (L-R) James Monroe Dedman, Jr., James Edwin Dedman, Jr. (in Columbia Military Academy uniform), James Monroe Dedman, and Dr. James Edwin Dedman (US Army Medical Corps) taken in the early 1920s.

THE COLUMBIA HERALD FRIDAY, DECEMBER 6, 1918

### EMOTIONAL FRENCH KISS SOLDIERS AT PEACE CELEBRATION

PARIS WAS WILD WITH JOY FOR  
TWO DAYS AFTER SIGNING  
ARMISTICE.

#### LETTER FROM BERT DEDMAN

*Describes Scenes in French Capital and Says There Has Never Been Anything Like it in History—Coming Home When Peace Made.*

There has never been another celebration in history that would begin to compare with the demonstration in Paris when the news of the armistice was received in the French capital, according to a letter from Bertram C. Dedman, former city attorney now with the auditing department of the American Expeditionary Forces, who is stationed in Paris. The people went wild with joy and their pent up emotions were let loose for hours. They danced in the streets, kissed each other and imbibed wine until they were absolutely exhausted.

Mr. Dedman's letter was written on November 12, the day after the signing of the armistice was announced. "The people simply thronged the streets all day yesterday and last night," he said, "and they are still parading tonight."

"It would be impossible to describe it, but it is sufficient to say that there never has been another celebration in history that could begin to compare with it. I have never seen as much kissing in my life as I saw yesterday. Everybody that cared to grabbed a girl and there didn't seem to be any objection to it at all. The soldiers especially were showered with kisses. The cafes and bars certainly did a rushing business, and believe me there were many who had as much under their belts as they could conveniently carry."

Mr. Dedman stated that he himself was not feeling well and was back at his hotel by 10 o'clock. He said that he does not expect to come home before the peace terms are signed, which may be two months hence, but that as soon as those documents are signed he is going to "beat it for Columbia."

Referring to another American associated with him in the work in Paris, Mr. Dedman said: "Chumbley told me this morning that he had some time last night. It seems that he got in with an American general and colonel and they proceeded to take in all the shows. He says that he guesses he kissed as many as 200 girls yesterday and I don't doubt it as I saw him kiss about 50 in about an hour's time."

Paris is a big city and the Columbia boys over there are far from home, but they get to see each other occasionally. Mr. Dedman stated that he had received a letter from William Fry telling him that Girard Brownlow was in a hospital at Paris suffering from wounds. He said that he was going to see Brownlow in a few days.

Bertram Cottingham Dedman, brother of James the dancer, served the Allied Expeditionary Force in the accounting service in WWI. The above letter home shortly after the armistice of Nov. 11, 1918, is rather interesting.



Col. James Monroe Dedman is the one with the mustache; the other is a young friend of his.

(Photo to the right) James Monroe, Sr., and wife Elizabeth Claiborne Bibb Fariss Dedman were prominent Columbia, TN, ballroom dancers. They were often called upon to demonstrate new dances or regular dances at local social events. This photo is probably around 1918-1920.



Elizabeth Claiborne Bibb Fariss Dedman served in the women's motor service in WWI—an auxiliary service



James Monroe, Sr., and Elizabeth Claiborne Bibb Fariss Dedman

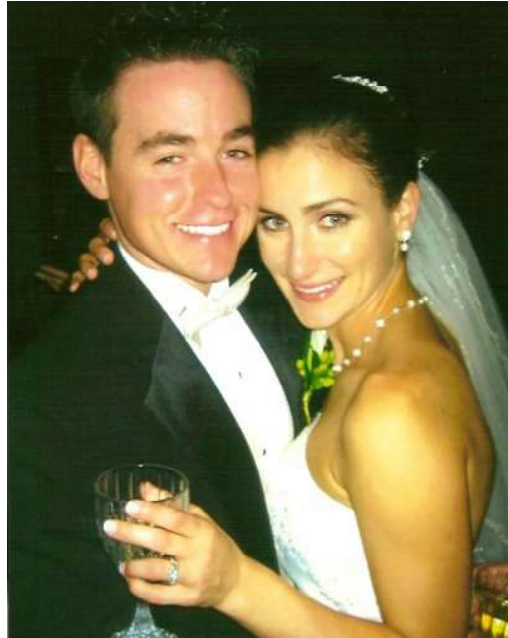
## CODY DEDMON AND JESSICA HOOD



**Married June 8, 2013**

The marriage of Ms. Jessica Hood of Richmond, VA, the daughter of Mr. Ronnie Hood Jr. of Richmond, to Mr. Cody Dedmon of Henrico, son of Mr. and Mrs. Laurence and Glenda Brown IV of Henrico, took place June 8, 2013, at Walmsley Boulevard United Methodist Church in Richmond. Pastor Thomas Crowder officiated. The bride is the granddaughter of Ronnie Hood Sr. of Richmond; Ruth Rainey, also of Richmond; and the late Robert Rainey. The groom is the grandson of Helen Taylor of Waycross, Ga.; the late Willard Taylor, formerly of Richmond; and the late Laurence and Joan Brown III, formerly of East Brunswick, N.J. The bride was given in marriage by her father, Ronnie Hood, and her great-aunt, Shirley Doss, in the double-ring ceremony. Immediately following the ceremony, a reception was held at Chester Christian Church in Chester. They will reside in North Chesterfield.

## BRIAN DEDMOND AND KRISTEN EVANS

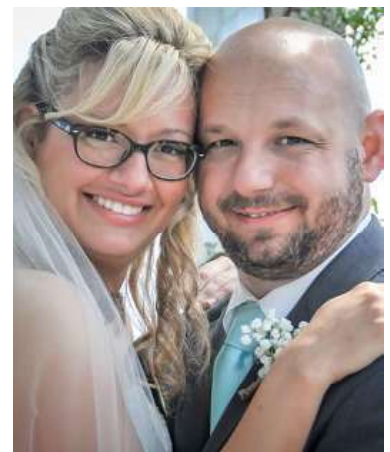


**Married Sept. 15, 2007**

Kristen Ashley Evans and Brian Richard Dedmond of Chapel Hill, NC were married Sept. 15, 2007, at Childress Vineyards in Lexington, NC. Kristen is the daughter of Sue and Larry Evans of Mount Airy, NC and the granddaughter of Helen Brinkley Evans of Lexington and the late Fred M. Evans and Erna and Weldon Joyce of Mount Airy. She is a 1998 graduate of North Stokes High School in Danbury, a 2002 graduate of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill with a Bachelor of Science degree in biology and a 2007 graduate of UNC-CH with a Bachelor of Science degree in dental hygiene with honors. She was elected to Sigma Phi Alpha, the national dental hygiene honorary society. She is employed with Dr. Waka Kodoma's periodontal practice in Chapel Hill.

Brian is the son of Kathy and Keith Dedmond. His grandparents are Margaret and Ralph Dedmond of Shelby and the late Lena and Ed Noggle of Shelby. He is a 1999 graduate of Lincoln High School, a 2003 graduate of UNC-CH with a Bachelor of Arts degree in biology and a 2007 graduate of the UNC School of Dentistry. Following a one-year residency in the Advanced Education in General Dentistry at the UNC School of Dentistry, he joined his father in Dental Practice in Lincoln.

## HEATHER DEDMON & ANTHONY PACETTI



**Married March 21, 2015**

Heather is the daughter of James Floyd and Vicki Hammonds Dedmon. Her grandfather, Herbert, was my first cousin. I was living in Bremen, GA when Herbert passed away 1987. He was living at Villa Rica, GA, just fifteen miles away and I was not aware of it until a couple of years later when my mother gave me his obituary. Her grandmother, Doris Grubb Dedmon, is presently living in Chattanooga, TN. Her great grandparents were James and Myrtle Painter Dedmon. Uncle James was my father's oldest brother and I barely remember visiting his home. Her father, Herbert, was ten years older than me and married when I was ten and moved away. I guess that probably accounts for my not knowing him very well. If my records are correct he had eight children and I never knew them. I met his daughter, Connie, who attended our reunion in 2000 and have corresponded with some of them. I featured Heather's father, James, in Volume 97.

Heather and Anthony reside at Weatherford, TX, just outside of Fort Worth.



## STEPHEN DEDMAN

Stephen Benjamin "Ben" Dedman passed away Sunday, the 9th of December 2012, at the age of 44, after a short but courageous battle with renal cancer. Ben was born on the 20th of August 1968, in New York



City, New York, and moved to Texas as quickly as he could. Ben graduated from Texas A & M University in 1992 and worked in sales in the oil and gas industry. He was an avid outdoorsman. No one loved hunting or fishing the north jetties as much as he. Ben was preceded in death by his mother, Johna Clark Dedman, and his father, Harry Lee Dedman.

Ben is survived by his wife, Alicia Baggett Dedman and his sister, Harriet Dedman Salem. He had three nieces who adored him; Alexis Hux (15), Whitney Perkins (12), and Lillian Salem (9). He had four nephews who worshipped him; Landon Hux (13), Harry Salem (7), Ben Salem (5) and Wesley Perkins (3). He had three brothers-in-law, who thought him rather fine as well; Oscar Gonzalo Salem, Ricky Hux and Craig Perkins. His mother and father-in-law, Marguerite and Patrick Baggett loved him like their own son.

A memorial service, honoring Ben's life, is to be conducted at two o'clock in the afternoon Saturday, the 15th of December, in the Jasek Chapel at Geo. H. Lewis & Sons, 1010 Bering Drive in Houston. Immediately following all are to be invited to greet the family during a reception at a venue to be announced during the service.

In lieu of customary remembrances, contributions in Ben's memory may be directed to the Coastal Conservation Association, 6919 Portwest Dr., Suite 100, Houston, TX, 77024; or to M.D. Anderson Renal Cancer Research Fund, P.O. Box 4486, Houston, TX, 77210.

## VIOLET MARY FLEMING

Mrs. Violet Mary Fleming, age 88 of Carrollton, GA passed away Monday, April 21, 2014. Mrs. Fleming was born in Watton Thetford Norfolk, England on June 20, 1925 to the late Burton Baldwin and Doris Armiger Baldwin. She was a retired US Postal Letter Carrier and a member of Stripling Chapel United Methodist Church.



Survivors include her sons and daughters-in-law, Dale and Sylvia Fleming, Patrick and Wanda Fleming, all of Carrollton; grandchildren, S. April Dedman, C. Andrew Fleming, Charles L. Fleming, Julie C. Fleming; great grandchildren, Nicholas Dedman, Reid Dedman, Anna Dedman, Ella Fleming, Lee Fleming, Allene Krywy, Kai Raulerson, Wade Fleming; brother, John Baldwin of England.

Besides her parents she was preceded in death by her husband, Alton Fleming; brother, Victor Baldwin; son, Christopher Barry Fleming. The family will receive friends at Almon Funeral Home on Tuesday from 6 p.m. until 8 p.m. Funeral services will be Wednesday, April 23, 2014 at 2 p.m. from the chapel of Almon Funeral Home, Rev. Michael White officiating.

Pallbearers are Phil Chandler, Mike Fleming, Ronnie Lewis, Tommy Fleming, Jim Wallace and Benjie Fleming. Interment will be in Carroll Memory Gardens. Condolence messages may be expressed to the family at [www.almonfuneralhome.com](http://www.almonfuneralhome.com). Almon Funeral Home Carrollton, has charge of arrangements

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## BRENDA CURRENCE

She was born in Gaston County, daughter of the late Issac Dedmond Cavender and Bryte Pennington Cavender. Brenda was a member of Independent Full Gospel Church, Dallas. She is survived by brothers and sister Joe Lewis Cavender and wife Annette of Bessemer City, Nancy Cavender Taylor of Sylva, Rev. Thomas Lee Cavender and wife Karen of Gastonia; numerous nieces and nephews.

In addition to her parents she was preceded in death by brother, Charles Issac Cavender; sisters, Pearl Lee Cavender Parker, Cynthia Ann Cavender. Archie Whitesides Rd. Gastonia officiated by the Reverends Willard Whitted and Don Combs. Internment: Private with family only Funeral: Greene Funeral Service, West Chapel, 216

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## ROBERTA GANO

Roberta Dedmon Gano, 81, died Monday 4/17 in Orange Park. A native of Jacksonville, she moved to Melrose in 1979. Retired secretary for Duval County School Board, member of Trinity Episcopal Church and the E. C. W. and Melrose Woman's Club. Served as a Volunteer with North Central Florida Hospice. Survived by sons, Derry W. Dedmon of Green Cove Springs, Eddie L. Dedmon of Callahan, Carl B. Dedmon of Jacksonville & Charles Gilbert Dedmon, Jr. of Fernandina; and 8 grandchildren. Preceded in death by husbands, Charles Dedmon, Sr. and Ovid Gano. Funeral service at 3:00 PM Thursday, 4/20 in Trinity Episcopal Church with Rev. Dale Warner, Gary Patience & Pat Nahikian, officiating. Burial in Eliam Cemetery. Family will receive friends at JONES FUNERAL HOME, Wed. 6:00-7:30 PM.

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## THOMAS BYRON YOW



**GREENSBORO, SC** - Thomas Byron Yow Sr. passed away on Sunday, August 14, 2011. A celebration of his Life will be held on Thursday, 2 p.m. at Hanes Lineberry Sedgefield Chapel with Pastor Kevin Bauswell officiating. Burial will follow at Guilford Memorial Park.

Thomas was born on March 19, 1918, one of seven children of Carl Hampton and Lena Osborne Yow. He served as a private in the US Army during WW II. He was employed with the Greensboro News-Record from 1936 until 1975 as Foreman of the Composing Room. Thomas was a lifetime member of the printers union, CWA Printing, Publishing and Media Workers. He also was a charter member of Spring Garden Friends Meeting and a lifetime member of the Society of Friends..

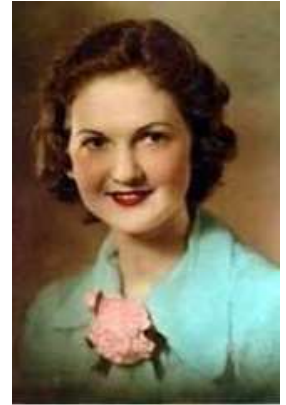
Thomas was proud of his military service and his career in publishing. He loved his family, driving road trips, his church, Ford automobiles, the beach, country music, NASCAR racing, "No mercy" checkers, the Democratic Party, construction projects and his home. He was fiercely independent to his last day.

Those left to cherish his memory are his loving wife of 72 years, Vardelle D. Yow; one brother, Rev. Howard Yow of Friends Home; two sons, Thomas B. Yow Jr. and Barry D. Yow and wife Mary Ann, all of Asheboro, NC; two daughters, Brenda Y. Parker and husband Dr. H.R. Parker and Dianne Y. Porter and husband James, all of Greensboro, NC; four grandsons; Herman R. Parker III and wife Sonya of Madison, NC, Robert E. Parker of East Lansing, MI, Stiles and Keillor Fifield, both of Greensboro, NC and Cheryl Parker, widow of grandson Phillip Parker who predeceased him, of Summerfield, NC; seven great grandchildren.

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## VARDELLE DEDMOND YOW

**GREENSBORO, SC** - Vardelle Dedmond Yow, 91, passed away on Sunday, Oct. 28, 2012. A celebration of her life will be held on Thursday, Nov. 1, at 3 p.m. at Hanes Lineberry Sedgefield Chapel, with Pastor Kevin Bauswell officiating. Burial will follow in the family plot at Guilford Memorial Park. Vardelle was born in Greensboro, one of three children of Jesse Harmon



Dedmond and Mamie Belle Brown Dedmond. She was a faithful lifetime member of Spring Garden Friends Meeting and the Society of Friends.

She worked as a homemaker and bookkeeper in the family businesses. Vardelle remained active, living in her own home until her brief recent illness and made it to within two weeks of her 92nd birthday. In her earlier years, she was fond of hand crafts, knitting, crocheting, sewing, painting and sang in a gospel trio with her sister and father. She was a quiet woman with a prodigious green thumb and was famous for taking tiny florist garden plants given to her for special occasions and growing them into four foot high Palm trees touching the ceiling.

Vardelle particularly enjoyed the retirement time spent at their beach home on Oak Island and her family. She was a survivor of Greensboro's first recorded tornado which famously struck downtown Greensboro in April of 1935, doing damage estimated at over \$1,200,000 over 2.5 miles and she remained ever after an intense observer of changing weather patterns and cloud formations. Vardelle was preceded in death by her husband of 72 years, Thomas B. Yow Sr.; her brother; a granddaughter; and grandson. She is survived by a sister, Agnes D. Ozment; two nieces; and a nephew. Left to cherish her memory are two sons, Thomas B. Yow Jr. and Barry D. Yow and wife, Mary Ann, of Asheboro; two daughters, Brenda Y. Parker and husband, Dr. H.R. Parker and Dianne Y. Porter and husband, James, all of Greensboro; four grandsons; seven great-grandchildren; and two great-great-granddaughters. The family will receive friends on Thursday, one hour prior

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## MARY JANE DEDMON BLACK

Mary Jane Dedmon Black, age 91, died Wednesday, June 11, 2014 in Mena, Arkansas. She was born April 3, 1923 in Hunter, AR the daughter of Miles Whitworth Dedmon and Ora Lee Miller Dedmon. Survivors include: three daughters; Sharon Pena (Richard) of Hatfield, AR, Paulette O'Briant (Bobby) of Hot Springs, Shirley Chatham of Star City, One brother; Leroy Dedmon (Lona) of Wichita, KA. Mary was preceded in death by her parents, her husband; James "Red" Black, a brother; George Dedmon, and two sisters; Mildred Dedmon and Evie Lorene Oxner. Graveside services will be 2:00 p.m. Friday at Oaklawn Cemetery in Brinkley.

## HARRY D. DEDMAN

Feb. 26, 1938 - July 21, 2015

Harry Dan Dedman, age 77 of Birmingham, AL passed away on July 21, 2015. Dan graduated from Woodlawn High School in 1956. He served in the U.S. Navy and attended the University of Alabama. He served in management while he was employed by South Central Bell for several years before transferring to AT&T where he retired. Dan was a member of Cross Point Baptist Church where he served as a Deacon. Dan had a passion serving God and truly enjoyed being a part of his Sunday School Class. Dan enjoyed golfing, traveling and watching Alabama sports, but mostly enjoyed being a part of his Church. Dan is preceded in death by his parents and sister, Tommie Ann Dedman Gardner. He is survived by his loving wife of 58 years Nancy Johnson Dedman; daughter, Dana Denise Dedman Thorn (Al); son, Michael Lane Dedman (Victoria); six grandchildren, two great grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews. Funeral service was at 2:00 p.m. on Friday, July 24th, 2015 at Jefferson Memorial Chapel with visitation two hours prior to the service. The Reverend Steve Parr officiated. Jefferson Memorial in Trussville directed.

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## JOHNNY DEDMON

Nov. 05, 1938 - Mar. 08, 2011  
BEECH ISLAND-Mr. Johnny H. Dedmon, 72, died Tuesday, March 8, 2011. Funeral services will be private. Mr. Dedmon is survived by his son, Tom Dedmon of Beech Island. Shellhouse Funeral Home Inc., Aiken, SC

## BRENDA DEDMON

Brenda Sue (Hannah) Dedmon, 57, passed away Wednesday, February 28, 2007 in Jacksonville. Brenda was a native of Logan, West Virginia and was a long-time resident of Jacksonville and a 1967 graduate of Ribault high School. She had resided in Callahan, FL since 1970 and had retired from the State of Florida as Records Manager. She was a member of Starratt Road Christian Church.

Survivors include her husband, Eddie L. Dedmon; 2 daughters, Jennifer Bennett and Carla Thigpen (Tony); 1 sister, Elsa Lee Bolt (Ben); 1 brother, Clyde Hannah; 5 grandchildren, Christa, Caleb, Taylor, Madison, and Tyson. Serving as active Pallbearers were Michael Bolt, George Bolt, Clayton Hannah, Derry Dedmon, Carl Dedmon and Jerry Nelson. Brenda was buried in Riverside Memorial Park on March 3, 2007.

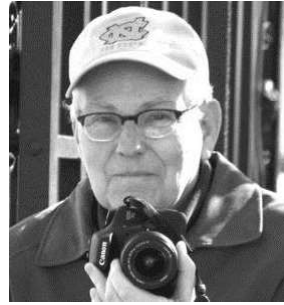
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## RON DEADMAN

Ron Deadman of Portland passed away peacefully at Dorset County Hospital on 2nd January 2012 in his 90th year. Husband of the late Evelyn, dad of Ken, father-in-law to Sue, "Pap" to Michael and Gemma and great grandad to Abigail. His funeral service will take place at Weymouth Crematorium on Friday 13th January at 1.45pm. Flowers and enquiries to Rose Funeral Service, 35 Shrubbery Lane, Wyke Regis DT4 9LY. Tel (01305) 785832 or email info@rose-funeral.co.uk

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in Emglnd))**

## SAM JOHN NORMAN



MORGANTON, NC - Sam John Norman, 80, of Morganton, died Sunday, May 1, 2016. He was born in Burke County, April 15, 1936, the son of

the late Samuel Norman and Etta Smith Norman. Sam was a lifetime member of Salem United Methodist Church and was a veteran of the N.C. National Guard. He was an avid UNC Tar Heel fan, photographer, nature lover, furniture builder, clock maker and gardener. He worked at Knob Creek from its inception, then Ethen Allen, and then retired from G & G of Morganton. He was a great friend who never met a stranger and was always on an adventure. He was an amazing father, husband, Paw-paw, brother, and uncle. Mr. Norman is survived by his daughters, Wanda Norman Anderson and her husband, Pastor Ken, of Spruce Pine and Kim Norman Woolard and her husband, Dennis III, of Raleigh; grandchildren, Lisa Anderson, Deborah Anderson, Thomas Anderson and Samantha Woolard; a sister, Ruby Turner of Morganton; and numerous nieces and nephews. In addition to his parents, Sam was preceded in death by six siblings, Fred Norman, Lucy Caraway, Jim Norman, Bill Norman, Ethel Whitener and Marjorie Hopper. The family will receive friends from 4 to 5 p.m., Friday, May 6, in the fellowship hall of Salem United Methodist Church. The memorial funeral service will follow in the church sanctuary at 5 p.m., with the Rev. Dr. John Fowler officiating. Memorial contributions may be made to the Alzheimer's Association, 4600 Park Rd., Suite 250, Charlotte, NC 28209; Blue Ridge Parkway Foundation, 717 S. Marshall St., Suite 105B, Winston-Salem, NC 27101; or Salem United Methodist Church, 1206 Salem Rd., Morganton, NC 28655. Sossoman Funeral Home and Crematory Center is assisting the family with the arrangements. Condolences may be sent to the family by visiting [www.sossomanfh.com](http://www.sossomanfh.com).

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**DURA BELLE  
DEDMON GRIGG**  
MORGANTON, NC



Dura Belle Dedmon Grigg, 86, died Sunday, April 4, 2004, at McDowell Nursing Center in Nebo, following a lengthy illness. She was born Sept. 13, 1917, in Cleveland County, NC, a daughter of the late Buren and Jackie Hoyle Dedmon. Mrs. Grigg was a retired employee of Broughton Hospital, and was an avid seamstress and gardener.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, David Lawrence Grigg; brothers, Talmadge Dedmon and Ralph Waldo Dedmon; sisters, Corrine Putman and Faye Bush; and a grandson.

The funeral will be at New Prospect Baptist Church, Shelby. Burial will follow in the church cemetery.

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**FRAN DEDMON**

Miss Fran Dedmon, age 87, died in the Haywood Park Community Hospital, Brownsville, TN, Saturday, September 24, 2005. She was preceded in death by brothers, Fred Dedmon on September 17, 1979 and Paul Dedmon on August 27, 1996.

The funeral service will be conducted in the Brownsville Funeral Home Chapel at 3:00 PM, Sunday, September 25, 2005 with burial in Zion United Methodist Church Cemetery.

Miss Dedmon is survived by one sister, Ruth Kirby of Brownsville, TN; two nephews, Fred Dedmon and his wife, Jean of Bells, TN and Mike Dedmon of Memphis, TN; five nieces, Suzanne Bushart of Humboldt, TN, Debbie Harwell and her husband, Jerry Lynn of Brownsville, TN, Amy Cowen and her husband, Charles of Bradford, TN, Jenny Bryant and her husband, Barrett of Collierville, TN and Bettye Gray Powell of Brownsville, TN. Nine great-nephews and nieces.

Visitation will begin at 1:00 PM Sunday, Sep. 25, 2005 in the Brownsville Funeral Home.

**Reported in The  
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**JESSE J. DEDMAN**

DEDMAN, Jesse James Age 73 Bon Aqua, TN. December 4, 2008 at his home. Retired employee with the State of Tennessee Dept of Corrections and retired barber. Father of the late Metro Police Officer, Christy Jo Dedman. A native of Hickman County, he was the son of the late Claude and Mary Jane Tidwell Dedman, and preceded in death by a brother, Clayton Dedman. Survived by his wife of 47 years, Vera Tidwell Dedman of Bon Aqua; his son, Curtis E. Dedman of Bon Aqua; his sisters, Thelma McNabb of Antioch, TN, Elizabeth (Harlan) Clifton of Dickson, Jolene (Tommy) Clifton of Bon Aqua, TN and Eulene (Merrell) Arnold of Hermitage, TN; host of nieces, nephews, cousins, also Kassi and Kara Dedman. Visitation was on Friday evening and will continue on Saturday, December 6th, beginning at 9 a.m. until time of service. Funeral services will be Saturday, December 6th at 1 p.m., from the Chapel of the Taylor Funeral Home, with Bro. Tommy Clifton officiating. Place of rest will be in the Memory Gardens in Hickman County. Services under the direction of the TAYLOR FUNERAL HOME,  
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**JOHN D. DEDMON**

A graveside memorial service for John D. Dedmon, 44, of Ariel, WA, who died of cancer at his home Jan. 21, 2001, will be at 1:30 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 17, 2001, at the Abilene Cemetery. The Rev. Mike Eurit will officiate. He was born March 30, 1956, in Dallas, the son of John A. and Betty Dedmon. He attended school in Independence, Mo., and Springfield, Mo. Mr. Dedmon had worked for Hearing Aid Association in Portland, Ore., for eight years and for Tractor Sales in Woodland, Wash., for two years.

Survivors include two sons, Zachary Dedmon of West Palm Beach, Fla, and Travis M. Dedmon of Shell Knob, MO, his mother, Betty Dedmon of Abilene; a sister, Kathleen Herndon Burkhardt of Grapevine, Texas; and a brother, Daniel Dedmon of Highlandville, MO. He was preceded in death by his father and grandparents. Memorial contributions may be made to Hospice of Dickinson County, c/o Memorial Hospital, 511 N.E. 10th, Abilene, KS 67410. **(Find A Grave Memorial# 95258567)**

