



HOW DO YOU SPELL D-E-A-D-M-A-N?



For more than 50 years I never considered kinship to anyone who did not know how to spell D-E-D-M-O-N. There was an exception that I heard about. As the story goes someone in our family added a “d” on the end of his name because his mail kept getting mixed up with a relative down the street. That was the only exception to the rule. I am still not exactly sure who that was, however, I do know some fairly close kin Dedmonds. In looking over the family tree, I am fairly certain the “culprit” was James Lee Dedmon(d). His father, three brothers and a sister were Dedmon, and he is Dedmond. His three children continued with Dedmond as did his grandchildren. Also, James was a popular name among the Dedmon family. I know my uncle James was about the same age.

I never actually met a Dedmond until Harrison came to our family reunion. He is definitely not the one to be responsible for the permanent change as all his siblings and children stayed with Dedmon. I am not exactly why he changed. I think he told me, but my memory is short.

I only knew two other Dedmons that was not my uncle or first cousin until I was well out of high school. I had a class mate named Annette Dedmon, but her parents were divorced and she did not know much about her surname. She was friends with my sisters and they think she said her father’s name was Paul. I really want to talk with her as I have not seen her in over 50 years. She married Cecil Ledford and the last I heard was living in Chickamauga, GA. Maybe she will see this.

The other Dedmon I knew worked at the bank in Rossville, GA. Her name was Sue and she recently passed away. She came to our reunion in 2000 and I found out how she was related. My parents may have known, but as a kid, I never thought to ask.

I became aware of other Dedmons through the years. I met some of the West Tennessee Dedmons at Freed-Hardeman University and when I moved to Middle Tennessee, I knew of some Dedmon family members, but never met them. They were not my uncles or cousins, so they could not possibly be kin!! My son, Gary, met Jeff Dedmon, the Atlanta Braves relief pitcher in the 80s, but neither knew enough about their families to establish kinship. One of our girls at Springfield married John Dedmon, but all we could figure out was that both of us knew how to spell D-E-D-M-O-N...

What about the variation in spelling the surname? Well, think about it, if I never allowed the possibility of those who spelled their name the same as me to be kin, how could those of different spellings possibility be related?

While living in Huntsville, Alabama I saw a truck with **DEDMAN PLUMBING SERVICE**, painted on the door. I thought, “*They may be good plumbers, but they can’t spell*”. Again, I never thought there could be a family connection. It was when I moved to Manchester, TN that I encountered the real shocker. I met Frank and Fred Deadman and they owned the Manchester Funeral Home, also known as Deadman Funeral Home. My first thought was they changed the spelling to create an unbelievable situation. In fact, it did make Ripley’s Believe it or Not publication. We became friends and often wondered if we might be related, because they had some relatives who spelled the surname the same as me. However, we dismissed the idea because they thought their ancestors came from North Carolina and I knew mine were from Georgia.

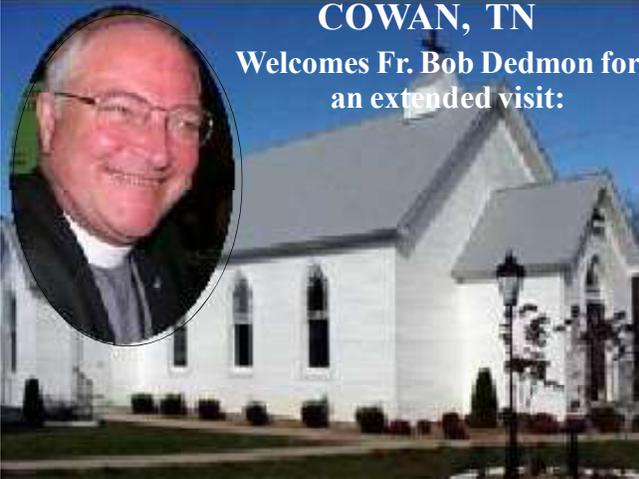
When I began the research project one of the first things I learned was my ancestors came from England to Baltimore and migrated down to North Carolina before coming to Georgia, and the original surname was **D-E-A-D-M-A-N**. We have at least six varied spellings of our surname and a few more possibilities. I saw recently where William Dudman is listed in the family. We should not be surprised at this as our ancestors insisted on the three “Rs” for basic education, *Reading, Riting and Rithmetic*. We know they couldn’t spell.



NEWS WORTHY

ST. AGNES' EPISCOPAL CHURCH, COWAN, TN

Welcomes Fr. Bob Dedmon for
an extended visit:



November 28, 2014: On Sunday, December 14th, and on Christmas Eve, St. Agnes' will welcome The Very Rev'd Robert Dedmon as a visiting priest while Fr. Wise is recovering from surgery.

Fr. Dedmon recently retired as Dean of St. Paul's Cathedral in Peoria, Illinois. Prior to that he was Canon to the Ordinary in the Diocese of Tennessee under Bishop Herlong. He is a native Tennessean and attended The University of the South. After being ordained into the priesthood in 1983, he served at St. Paul's Chattanooga, St. Matthew's Antioch, and St. Bede's Manchester.

He and his wife Judy, also a native Tennessean, recently moved to Manchester. We look forward to Fr. Dedmon's visit and appreciate his assistance while Fr. Wise recuperates.

KARI G. DEDMON



Kari Dedmon is a 1999 graduate of UT Chattanooga with a BS in Exceptional Education K-12. She graduated magna cum laude and was in the top 10% of the graduating class that year, and also highly qualified in mathematics. She is the department chair for the exceptional education department

and works with the math department closely to assist with students that need additional help. She has taught at East Ridge High for 15 years and considers East Ridge her second home. *(East Ridge is just outside of Chattanooga on the Georgia State Line)*

J. MICHAEL DEDMON

Political Science / Ph.D. Student

Raised in Colorado, Michael received a BA in International and Comparative Politics from the American University of Paris in 2009, and an MSc in EU Politics and Government from the European Institute at the London School of Economics in 2010. His previous research focused on the EU's foreign policy system, particularly the effect of elite socialization within EU institutions on domestic foreign policy priorities, and on the relationship between the Union and its Eastern neighbors through the Eastern Partnership framework. While at Maxwell, Michael plans to field in Comparative Politics and International Relations.



MANNY DEDMON

November 30, 2013 by News In Brief
Football, North Richland Hills, Texas.

Autistic teenager Manny Dedmon, from Texas, is at the heart of the Birdville football team. Birdville football team is proud to include Manny as a



team player. Ted Madden who interviewed friends and family about the autistic teenager was told that his smile is what sets him apart. Manny is not just seen as a 'token gesture' he is very much a valued member of the team and played with the junior varsity all year, even scoring 4 touchdowns. Manny is fully included in the team. Head coach Jim Skinner is reported as saying: "Our players really care about Manny. They look after Manny, they take care of Manny, and nobody messes with Manny." Manny struggled socially as a child due to his autism, but that isn't a problem now. Manny's best friend on the team, Jake Bransford, voiced that Manny was very quiet and shy when he first joined the team. They have now become very close and he drives Manny to and from football practice. Erica Dedmon was told that her son would never have friends or get married due to his social problems but she now believes that anything is possible.

PAULA DEDMON HONORED AS GASTON COLLEGE FACULTY EMERITUS

Stephanie L. Michael-Pickett
Public Relations, Gaston College

DALLAS, N.C. – Gaston College has bestowed the title of Faculty Emeritus on Paula Dedmon, who retired in May 2014 after 25 years at the College.

Dedmon joined Gaston College in December 1989 as a biology instructor in the Division of Arts and Sciences. Dr. Melissa Armstrong, Chair of the Science and Math Department, considers Dedmon to have been a hidden treasure at the College. “She is a quiet person by nature,” says Armstrong, “but she left a huge mark on the students and faculty of the science and math department.”



(Left to Right) Gaston College President, Dr. Patricia Skinner, Paula Dedmon, Faculty Emeritus and Dr. Don Ammons, Vice President for Academic Affairs. (Photo Courtesy of Gaston College)

The “brain trust” of the Science and Math Department, Dedmon could always be relied upon to have notes and files on any topic that would arise. Her extensive collection of animals harvested from roadways around the area was studied in her biology classes and earned her the nickname of the “road kill queen.”

Dedmon served multiple terms on the Gaston College Faculty Senate and was the group’s Historian. She also served on several hiring committees. She initiated and coordinated the “Gray Matter Awards” to honor the top performing student in each biology class each term. In April 2015 she returned to campus to assist with the annual Gaston College SciVisit, which introduces high school students from Gaston and Lincoln to the various STEMM (science, technology, engineering, math, and medical) educational and career paths offered by Gaston College.

Dedmon is the 35th retired faculty member to be honored as Gaston College Faculty Emeritus. This title is offered to retiring members of the faculty who have completed at least 15 years of full-time service. Those who hold the Emeritus designation receive continued use of the College library, parking, privileges, and college publications, and are included in campus events such as graduation. They also are recognized with an appropriate award.

ABOUT GASTON COLLEGE

Celebrating nearly 50 years of service, Gaston College is one of 58 community colleges in the North Carolina Community College System. Serving both Gaston and Lincoln counties, Gaston College enrolls over 6,000 students each term in curriculum programs and averages over 16,000 annually in its Economic and Workforce Development and Continuing Education programs. Gaston College offers over 100 fields of study to obtain a degree, diploma or certificate. To learn more about the College’s services and programs, visit the Gaston College website at www.gaston.edu.

I am not 100% sure, but Paula may be the wife of Richard Albert Dedmon, the son of Albert Pinkney (Buddy) and Betty Grey Grill Dedmon, Jr. She is the only Paula Dedmon, I have in my data base that could be her. Of course, it could be someone of whom I have no record. If I am correct she is Paula Hord Dedmon and the mother of at least two: Christian Laine Dedmon and Leah Brice Dedmon. Of course, I could be wrong, so don’t chisel this in stone until we know for sure. I have very little information on this family group, but I suppose some of our readers may have the correct information and send it to me. -- Thanks, Leroy

DA VIN TEE'S MILLER AN ARTIST AND PRINTER

By Michael Knox

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CONCORD, NC — Adam Ramsey Miller is used to seeing his work when he travels around Cabarrus County with his screen printing company — Da Vin Tee — printing shirts for local schools and businesses, including Cabarrus Brewing Co., Lil' Robert's Place, Peach Tree Market and others. "I can walk into Food Lion sometimes and see three, four or five t-shirts I made," Miller said. "All the time, when I am going down Union Street, someone is wearing one of my shirts."

But Miller's medium is not just limited to creating t-shirts. Miller also builds furniture and is a sculpture and has been involved in the arts ever since he was a child. "Part of why I have this business is to be creative," Miller said. Miller is able to be creative by working with customers to develop artwork and designs for the shirts he prints. If customers have their shirts printed in the shop, Miller provides art work for free. Another way he gets to be creative is through a t-shirt line he's created with a friend out of Mississippi, developing the clothing line, "Hard Time Supply." His friend makes photo-realistic sketches of vintage mugshots from the 1930s to the 1960s for the t-shirt line and Miller creates funny bios for the different "characters."

One "mugshot" bio talks about a woman charged with destruction of property after having more than 200 cats in a trailer chase a mouse and causing the trailer to shift under the cat weight and tip over. Another fake bio for "Hard Time Supply" is about a kid arrested for breaking into a hardware store and stealing helium tanks and proceeding to serenade people on the streets in a helium infused voice. The bios let him be creative, writing stories that read like "dumb crook news."



Another creative outlet is his actual studio — located at 82 Spring St SW, Concord. Miller has painted mural after mural painted on the walls with a variety of creations and characters.



Miller's murals range from a pig with a rocket strapped to its back to a cat holding a sword and riding a

unicorn. Another wall has a giant octopus and a "catfish" with the creature having the body of a fish and the face of a cat. He's also invited the public to come in and paint on the walls. "People feel the creative vibe when they come in and its super laid back," Miller said. "We're serious about making shirts, but we like to joke around and be playful and creative."

Create the Connection: Switch on the Sidewalk

Another creative venture Miller is striking out on is the Concord Downtown Development Corporation event "Create the Connection: Switch on the Sidewalk" which runs from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sat., Oct. 22, 2016 in downtown Concord. There will be 12 temporary installations of interactive art displays along the Union Street sidewalks for the event. Displays will be in three blocks on both sides of the street, stretching from the Hotel Concord block down to the courthouse block. The 12 participants range from students, many from area high



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school STEM programs, to professional artists and manufacturers. Miller's display will be a "robot" that will have a chalkboard body that has a chalk dispenser allowing anybody to walk up and write on the robot's body, even its spinning head.



"This, I feel, is pretty interactive," Miller said. "It doesn't have to stay one thing. It's whatever you want. Just because the shape is a robot you can still put whatever you want on it." Since it is a temporary display on Union Street, Miller is already planning to bring it back to his studio which is open to several

artists, including Miller's brother, Rush, and adding the robot to the creative environment. "It's definitely very open," Rush Miller said. "We toss around ideas and show each other our art and try to grow as artists.

"Boutique t-shirt business"

Rush Miller himself has a background as a tattoo artist and is now a partner in Da Vin Tee, which first started in a garage around 2011. Adam Ramsey Miller started his business for less than \$500, purchasing what equipment he needed. Since then, Miller has gradually purchased more equipment and has slowly grown his business.

"You didn't really want to advertise because if you took too much stuff on you couldn't pump it out, especially since everything was manual," Miller said, referring to his first set up. Now, he has a fully automated system to keep up with his growing business, with repeat customers and new clients.



Last year alone, he printed about 80,000 shirts, but in the first six months of this year he had already printed 120,000 shirts. "We keep people, so it's compounding," Miller said. "I treat people the way I want to be treated."

Miller offers a "boutique t-shirt business" service to local schools and small businesses in the community, including Villani's Bakery, Southern Grace Distilleries, Habitat for Humanity Cabarrus County, J. Talbert, Ltd., Carolina Courts and others.

One thing that helps Miller land clients is his ability to be flexible. He can make as few as 12 shirts, with a single color or a multiple color shirt with a minimum of 36 shirts. And prices can go as low as \$5 to \$8 each for several hundred shirts, depending on what a client wants. "If somebody has a budget, I'm going to find something that fits into their budget," Miller said.

Miller said in an average week they have 15 to 20 orders with print runs ranging from 50 to 1,000 shirts. Rarely does he get orders for more than 1,000 shirts at a time. Customers also come back to Miller because they get to deal with him directly, unlike larger companies. "It's hard to contact these super-big companies when you have an issue," Miller said. "You can talk to me if you have a problem and I am going to take care of you."

Visit <http://www.davintee.com/> for more information on Da Vin Tee Screen Printing Co. Contact Diane Young at diane@concorddowntown.com or 704-784-4208 for more information on Concord Downtown Development Corporation and the Create the Connection: Switch on the Sidewalk event on Oct. 22, 2016 (*Of course that date has passed.*)

The public is encouraged to pick up a free voting ticket for the event from the Concord Downtown Development Corporation table located on the historic Cabarrus County Courthouse lawn, 65 Union Street, South. After viewing all 12 installations patrons can use this ticket to vote for their favorite installation at Create the Connection: Switch on the Sidewalk.

The top three vote-getting installations will receive cash prizes with first place at \$1000, second place at \$500 and third place at \$250. Additional voting tickets may be purchased by the public for \$1 each or six for \$5. If one installation is extremely well received the Concord Downtown Development Corporation may explore permanently building it out on the sidewalk in downtown Concord.

This article appeared in the Independent Tribune, a local newspaper for Cabarrus County, NC, on October 20, 2016 and of course the contest mentioned has already taken place.

Adam and Rush Miller are the sons of John Ramsey and Susan Dedmon Miller. (Leroy)

DEREK DEADMAN

(11 March 1940 – 22 November 2014)



Derek was a British character actor who appeared in numerous British films and television series over a 40-year period. The chances are, you have seen Derek Deadman in a movie - but just don't realize it! He is one of those actors to whom you instantly recognize the face, but not the name.

He has starred in a whole array of films and television series since the 1970s, playing normally minor roles, generally as the fall guy who gets kicked around by some nasty villain, or as a comedic sidekick to people such as Benny Hill. But it's minor roles that have seemed to keep this actor in business. Work has always seemed to be available to him and, most recently, Derek has starred in one of the Harry Potter movies, Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone (2001), as Tom the Landlord.

He has also appeared in the non-franchised James Bond film Never Say Never Again (1983); Robin Hood: Prince of Thieves (1991); Crush (2001) and other major films. If you happen to be watching a 1970s or 1980s British movie, look out for Derek Deadman - chances are he's in it!!

Deadman appeared on television in minor roles before being cast in a more significant part as Rankin in two episodes of the RAF sitcom Get Some In! in 1975 and 1978. He then played Ringo in 39 of the 66 episodes of the series Never the Twain between 1981 and 1991. He also played the ruthless Sontaran Commander Stor in the Doctor Who serial The Invasion of Time.

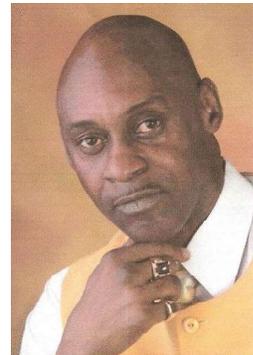
His film appearances include roles in The Canterbury Tales (1972), Queen Kong (1976), Jabberwocky (1977), The Glitterball (1977), The Big Sleep (1978), the film version of Porridge (1979), A Nightingale Sang in Berkeley Square (1979), The Apple (1980), Time Bandits (1981), Never Say Never Again (1983), Bullshot (1983), Brazil (1985), National Lampoon's European Vacation (1985), Robin Hood: Prince of Thieves (1991), and the barman of The Leaky Cauldron, Tom, in Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone (2001).

One of three sons of George and Edith Deadman, he worked as a window cleaner and decorator before becoming an actor. Early in the 21st Century, he moved to France to retire. He died November 22, 2014, in Frespech, France, The fifteenth Harry Potter film series cast member to die.

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CARLTON DEADMON

Mr. Carlton (Shine) Bernard Deadmon was born Tuesday, June 26, 1956 in Bolivar, TN. He was the only child of the late Opal Deadmon. Carlton was loved dearly by his Grandmother, Gertrude Harris (Edward) whom he shared his life with and his Grandfather Carl, his namesake.



Carlton confessed Christ at an early age at Bethlehem Missionary Baptist Church in Bolivar, TN. Carlton graduated from Bolivar Central High School in 1974. Throughout high school he was known for his exquisite taste in clothing. Immediately upon graduation, Carlton enlisted in the United States Air Force and was stationed in London, England. He was honorably discharged in 1978.

Upon being discharged from the United States Airforce, Carlton relocated to Rockford, IL, where he utilized his talents at WZOK Radio Station among other professional interests.

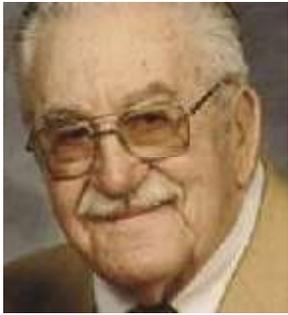
Carlton was the father of 2 beautiful daughters, Natasha and Shaletha. In his free time, Carlton loved to cook (he was a graduate of Culinary School), loved vintage cars and could spend hours treasure hunting in antique shops.

During his time in Rockford, IL, Carlton was happily married to Johnnie Bailey, who preceded him in death. Carlton later moved to Denver, CO, in 2010 to continue his education at Lincoln Technical College. There he studied the business aspects of automotive mechanics with the goal of owning his own automotive shop. After a long illness, Carlton quietly answered the Master's call on Wednesday, September 9, 2015.

He leaves to cherish his memory, daughters Natasha Harris of Rockford, IL and Shaletha (Carl) Justice of Bolivar, TN; 2 grandchildren, Cortavious Hill (Nashville, TN) and CaLandria Justice (Bolivar, TN); cousin, Nancy Wilson (Orlando, FL); God Sister, Jeanette Wilson (Orlando, FL); special friend, Teresa Young and family (Denver, CO) and a host of family and friends. Carlton was preceded in death by his wife, Johnnie Bailey, mother, Opal Deadmon; his grandparents Gertrude Harris-Curry; Edward Harris and Carl Deadmon.

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GARRIED AUSTIN DEDMON



Garried Austin Dedmon, son of Austin and Edith (Patterson) Dedmon was born April 13, 1922 in Wright County, Missouri and departed this life on May 8, 2009 in Rocky Ridge Manor, Mansfield, Missouri at the age of eighty-seven years and twenty-five days. On August 23, 1941 G.A. was united in marriage to Virginia Matney and to this union three children were

born. Virginia preceded him in death on April 6, 2007 after sixty-five years of marriage. He was also preceded in death by his parents; a granddaughter, Jill Clouse; two brothers, Bill Dedmon and Gaylen Dedmon; and one sister, Lois Owens.

He is survived by his children, Sue Clouse and husband Roy of Mansfield, Missouri, Gary "Bud" Dedmon of Mansfield, Missouri and Beth Barker and husband Keith of Forsyth, Missouri; ten grandchildren, twenty-four great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren; two brothers, Roy Dedmon and wife Nelda of Hartville, Missouri and Jack Dedmon and wife Frances of Mansfield, Missouri; a sister, Kay Patterson of Marshfield, Missouri; an aunt, Romaine Endsley from the State of Texas; sister-in-law, Joan Dedmon of Ava, Missouri; many nieces, nephews other relatives and friends.

G.A. retired in 1990 from the USDA office in Hartville where he was the ASCS director for Wright County. He was a lifelong farmer, fisherman and hunter. An Army veteran, he proudly served his country in the South Pacific during WWII from 1944 thru 1946. He was with Company G in the 38th Infantry, Cyclone Division, "Avengers of Bataan."

He was a lifetime member of the Clarence King Post #128 of the American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars, a fifty-five year member of Mansfield Masonic Lodge A.F. & A.M. where he served as Worshipful Master in 1975, member of York Rite in Mtn. Grove and Scottish Rite, Valley of Joplin; and Abou Ben Adhem Shrine Temple in Springfield, Missouri where he was a member of the "Hospital Dad's Unit". He was a charter member and former National President of the Bluetick Breeders Association and was also a member of the Wright County Deputy Sheriffs mounted patrol.

G.A. had recently professed his acceptance of the Lord as his Savior and found complete inner peace of going to heaven and joining his family and friends. We celebrate his life and will remember the wonderful memories of this great man. Services will be 1:00 P.M. Tuesday, May 12, 2009 in Holman-Howe Chapel, in Mansfield, Missouri with burial in Steele Memorial Cemetery in Hartville, Missouri. Visitation will be 6:00-8:00 P.M. Monday in the funeral home. Memorials have been established to Community Hospice or Missouri Masonic Home and may be made through Holman-Howe Funeral Home P.O. Box 199, Mansfield, Missouri 65704.

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HAZEL WILSON



Hazel Byrd Hollifield Wilson, 90, of Boiling Springs, NC went to be with her Lord on Tuesday, October 9, 2012 at Hospice of Cleveland County.

A native of Rutherford County, she was born March 1, 1922, a daughter of the late Clifford and Zinnie Lovelace Hollifield. She was a member of Cleveland County Quilters Guild, member of the "Golden Girls," and a member of Sharon United Methodist Church.

In addition to her parents, she is preceded in death by her late husband Carl Wood Wilson and a granddaughter, Andrea Beth Blackwell. She is survived by her three children, Beverly Wilson Blackwell and husband, Ron of Boiling Springs, Thomas Maxwell Wilson and wife Linda of Ellenboro; Dr. Clifford Byron Wilson and wife Deborah of Boiling Springs; four grandchildren, Steven Blackwell and wife Amber of Newport, NC; Kathy Wilson Kring of Ellenboro; Jennifer Wilson Allen and husband Preston of Ellenboro; Travis Wood Wilson and wife Meredith of Oxford; four great grandchildren, Conner Lela Kring, Jake Wilson, Avery Wilson and Caitlin Allen.

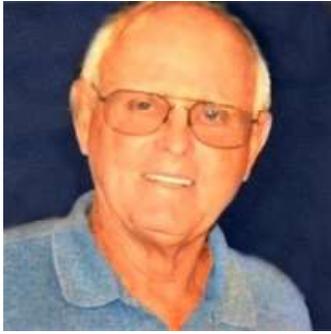
The family will receive friends at Cleveland Funeral Services & Crematory, Wednesday, October 10, 2012, 6:00 – 8:00 pm.

The funeral will be held at Sharon United Methodist Church, Thursday, October 11, 2012, 2:30 pm. The body will lie in state thirty minutes before the service. The Revs. April Abernethy & Scott Huffman will officiate. Burial will be in Cleveland Memorial Park.

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Carl Wood Wilson was the son of Byron and Eulah Fay Dedmon Wilson. He was the grandson of Albert Jenkins and Louisa Jane Irvin Dedmon.

RUFUS JOHN DEDMON



Rufus John Dedmon, Sr. died Monday, June 27, 2016, after a sudden and short illness. He is a graduate of Andrew Jackson High School. He retired from a prestigious 50 year career as a real estate developer and

general contractor. John had been a resident of Jacksonville, FL Macclenny, FL and presently resided in Leesburg, FL. He is survived by his wife, Melba Dedmon, son John Dedmon Jr. and daughter, Robin Dedmon, grandchildren Joshua and Amber Carroll and Danielle Robbins. At John's request a private service was held for his immediate family. Memories and condolences may be shared on the tribute wall.

MARTHA J. SHORT SMITHERMAN



Martha Jeanette Short Smitherman, 87, of Clanton, died Sept. 12 at Shelby Baptist Medical Center in Alabaster. She was born on April 14, 1928, in Clanton, the daughter of the late Johnny Short and the late Leila Weldon Short. She was a machine operator.

Surviving are her son, Joe Dedman (Carol) of Clanton; daughters, Nita Summerlin (David) of Selma, Gina Lecroy (Randy) of Clanton, Lisa Paris (Jason) of Deatsville; 11 grandchildren, 13 great-grandchildren, a host of other family; brothers, Melton Short (Linda) of Clanton, J.W. Short (Glenda) of Alabaster; sisters, Sally Davis of Clanton and Delene Carroll (Erskine) of Clanton. She was preceded in death by her parents, Johnny and Leila Short; daughter, Sheila Ann Smitherman; two sisters and one brother.

Friends were received from 5-7 p.m. Sept. 14 at Martin Funeral Home. Services will be held Sept. 15 at 11 a.m. at Martin Chapel with the Rev. Melton Short and William Earl Short officiating. Interment will follow in New Harmony Holiness Cemetery in Clanton.

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REV. THOS. DIXON, SR., DEAD

Passed Away at Home of His Daughter in Raleigh.

(Special Star Telegram.)

Raleigh, N. C., May 1.—Rev. Thos. Dixon, father of Thomas Dixon, Jr., the noted playwright and Rev. A. C. Dixon, a distinguished minister of Chicago, died here tonight in his 90th year having been born in South Carolina December 25th, 1820. He was in the active pastorate of the Baptist churches in and around Shelby sixty year. He had been several weeks in the home of his daughter, Dr. Delia Dixon Carroll here, gradually sinking the past three days without any disease, but simply under the weight of years. His son Frank Dixon, of Washington, D. C., and two daughters, Dr. Dixon Carroll and Mrs. Ernest Thacker, of Norfolk, were with him when the end came. Rev. A. C. Dixon, of Chicago, and Thomas Dixon, Jr., of New York, are to reach here Sunday afternoon. The remains will be taken to the burying ground of New Prospect church, Cleveland county, a church he organized and served as pastor 60 years. Burial will be at 3 o'clock Monday afternoon.

HAZEL DEDMON

NORTH LITTLE ROCK, Ark. — Hazel Hearn Dedmon, 69, died Saturday, July 31, 2004, at the Baptist Hospital in Little Rock, Ark. She was born Aug. 18, 1934, in New Albany. She was a retired employee of Life of Arkansas in Little Rock and a member of Baring Cross Baptist Church.

Services will be at 11 a.m. today at Griffin-Leggett-Rest Hills Funeral Home in North Little Rock with Dr. Marty Watson officiating. Burial will follow at Rest Hills Memorial Park.

Survivors include a daughter, Donna Dedmon; two sons, Ronnie Dedmon and Danny Dedmon; four sisters, Helen Wood, Carolyn Bailey, Anne Wages and Diane Steward; two granddaughters, Mandy Dedmon and Christy Dedmon; a grandson, Craig Dedmon; one great-grandson; several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents, the Rev. and Mrs. L.S. Hearn.