

An on-line Family Newsletter

The Dedmon Connection

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In Volume 76 I honored several of our military members for the sacrifice they made for our great country. Of course, I realize some have been overlooked, but the standard policy of my editor privilege is to print any I have missed when it is called to my attention. It goes without saying, I cannot print that which I do not know. In this Issue I am going to mention those I can find who have been granted some kind of service medal, such as the Purple Heart, Silver Star and POW Medal, etc. Remember, an omission is an oversight. I will use photographs where they are available and record the information as found in record. Due to space I am only including the Deadman and variation of spelling surnames. I will in other issues be glad to mention our other relatives who are in laws and cousins of other names.



THE SILVER STAR

The Silver Star Medal, is the third-highest military decoration for valor awarded to members of the United States Armed Forces.

Any uniformed service member may receive the medal, which is awarded for gallantry in action against an enemy of the United States.



DONALD CLAY DEDMON
Awarded for actions during the Vietnam War, Status: KIA
Home of record: Chicago Illinois,
August 30, 1934 - June 10, 1965

The President of the United States of America, authorized by Act of Congress July 9, 1918 (amended by an act of July 25, 1963), takes pride in presenting the Silver Star (Posthumously) to Staff Sergeant Donald Clay Dedmon (ASN: RA-16502635), United States Army, for gallantry in action while serving with Detachment A-342, 5th Special Forces Group (Airborne), 1st Special Forces. Sergeant Dedmon distinguished himself by gallantry in action on 10 June 1965, while serving as heavy weapons adviser for an American

Special Forces unit in the Republic of Vietnam. When the American compound in which he was stationed came under intense hostile fire from a Viet Cong attack, Sergeant Dedmon remained at his defensive position placing effective fire on the enemy with his recoilless rifle even after he was severely wounded by an enemy grenade. Sergeant Dedmon continued to operate his weapon until his ammunition was expended and then moved through the intense hostile fire to the ammunition re-supply point. As he attempted to secure additional ammunition Sergeant Dedmon was mortally wounded by the Viet Cong. By his aggressive action in holding his position, he was instrumental in preventing the compound from being overrun in the initial attack. Sergeant Dedmon's gallantry in action was in keeping with the highest traditions of military service and reflects great credit upon himself, his unit, and the United States Army. *General Orders: Headquarters, Military Assistance Command: Vietnam, General Orders: No. 1431 (July 1, 1965) Action Date: June 10, 1965, Service: Army, Rank: Staff Sergeant, Company: Detachment A-342, Regiment: 5th Special Forces Group (Airborne) Division: 1st Special Forces. Continued on page 2*

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(SILVER STAR)



ERNEST R. DEDMON , JR.

Place of Birth: Kansas City, MO

(Awarded for actions during the World War II)

The President of the United States of America takes pleasure in presenting the Silver Star to Private Ernest R. Dedmon, Jr. (MCSN: 491229), United States Marine Corps Reserve, for conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving with Company A, First Engineer Battalion, FIRST Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Okinawa, Ryukyu Islands, 6 May 1945. After extremely heavy hostile machine-gun and mortar fire had forced the tactical withdrawal of the assault company, Private Dedmon volunteered with a comrade to go forward of friendly lines to bring back a wounded Marine who had been overlooked by the corpsmen. Undaunted by intense enemy fire and the difficult terrain, he ran approximately four hundred yards to reach the casualty and, upon finding that the man's left leg had been completely severed, assisted in applying a tourniquet fashioned from communication wire, and helped carry the wounded man on a poncho back to an aid station. His outstanding courage and devotion to duty under fire were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service.

General Orders: Commanding General, Fleet Marine Force Pacific: Serial 79496, Action Date: May 6, 1945, Service: Marine Corps, Rank: Private, Company: Company A, Battalion: 1st Engineer Battalion, Division: 1st Marine Division

HAROLD D. DEDMON

Harold D. Dedmon, United States Army, is reported to have been awarded the Silver Star under the below-listed General Orders for conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity in action against the enemy in Korea. Notes Corporal Dedmon was a medic with the Medical Company, 955th Field Artillery Battalion, U.S. Army. He was Killed in Action while tending his wounded comrades in North Korea on July 25, 1953.

Awards: Corporal Dedmon was awarded the Purple Heart, the Korean Service Medal, the United Nations Service Medal, the National Defense Service Medal, the Korean Presidential Unit Citation and the Republic of Korea War Service Medal.

General Orders: Headquarters, IX Corps, General Orders No. 217 (1953) Action Date: Korean War Service: Army

SAMUEL EDWARD DEDMON

Awarded for actions during the World War II

The President of the United States of America, authorized by Act of Congress July 9, 1918, takes pleasure in presenting the Silver Star to Staff Sergeant Samuel Edward Dedmon (ASN: 38236810), United States Army Air Forces, for gallantry in action while serving as Tail Gunner of a B-24 airplane of the EIGHTH Air Force, on a mission over enemy occupied Europe, 4 October 1943. When Sergeant Dedmon was knocked out of his turret by an exploding shell, he immediately re-entered the turret and manned his guns with great skill, and destroyed the attacking fighter. Shortly afterwards, he was again knocked out of his turret and wounded during a fierce attack by enemy planes. With utter disregard for his own safety, Sergeant Dedmon courageously crawled back to his guns and continued to fight until the last enemy plane had been driven off. The gallantry, skill and devotion to duty displayed by Sergeant Dedmon contributed materially to the safe return of his aircraft and reflect highest credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the United States.

General Orders: Headquarters, 8th Air Force, General Orders No. 210 (November 18, 1943), Action Date: October 4, 1943, Service: Army Air Forces, Rank: Staff Sergeant, Division: 8th Air Force

THEODORE R. DEDMON

Prisoner of War Medal

Awarded for actions during the World War II

Corporal Theodore R. Dedmon (MCSN: 223029), United States Marine Corps, was captured by the Japanese at Chinwangtao, China, on 8 December 1941, and was held as a Prisoner of War until returned to U.S. Military Control at the end of the War.

Action Date: December 8, 1941 - September 1945 Service: Marine Corps Rank: Corporal, Division: Prisoner of War (China)

OWEN H. DEDMON

Awarded for actions during the World War II

Private Owen Harris Dedmon, United States Army, was awarded the Silver Star for gallantry in action in connection with combat operations against the enemy while serving with Company A, 745th Tank Battalion, 1st Infantry Division in the Mediterranean Theater of Operations during World War II.

General Orders: Headquarters, 1st Infantry Division, General Orders No. 3 (1945) Action Date: World War II, Service: Army, Rank: Private, Company: Company A

**Those who died in the Vietnam War whose last names are Dedman/Dedmon
(I did not find any of the other variations of spelling)**

SSG JULIAN DEAN DEDMAN

SP4 TONY DEDMAN

SP4 RONALD EUGENE DEDMAN

SP4 LESLIE PAUL DEDMAN

SSG DONALD CLAY DEDMON

A Note from The Virtual Wall

The casualty database contains the names of seven men who died when a helicopter was shot down in Thua Thien Province on 23 Apr 1969. Staff Sergeant Julian Dedman is one of them. The L Co/75th Infantry web site says that "**Julian D. Dedman** was in a helicopter that was hit by ground fire, exploded and burned."

Only one helicopter is known to have gone down in Thua Thien on 23 April: a UH-1H (tail number 67-17697) belonging to the C Troop, 2nd Squadron, 17th Cav, 101st Airborne. Two of the seven men lost are known to have been aircrewmembers aboard 67-17697; by deductive reasoning one can conclude the other five men were aboard as well, since that was the only aircraft lost. The seven men were: C Troop, 2/17th Cav aircrewmembers killed when 67-17697 was shot down: **SGT Otto Philip Barnhart, crew chief, C/2/17th Cav**
SGT Henry Waters Cardwell, gunner, C/2/17th Cav
SFC William Frank Rocco, passenger, HHT/2/17th Cav
SSG Julian Dean Dedman, passenger,

L Co, 75th Infantry

SP4 James Phillip Heim, passenger, D/2/17th Cav
SP4 John Francis Koehler, passenger, B/2/17th Cav
SP4 John Werner Tiderencel, passenger, D/2/17th Cav

Lucio Vazquez, at the time a crewman with C/2/17th Cav, remembers the incident:

This was my mission but SP4 Barnhart talked me out of flying that day and crewed in my place. The mission was to rappel a LRRP and an engineering team through some very tall trees so they could cut a new Landing Zone in the A Shau Valley. This was the first of four Hueys over this site which happened to be on a well-fortified NVA camp. I estimate the trees were well over

100 feet tall and that the team had a 150 foot rappel. The NVA shot the hovering Huey either with tracers into the fuel cell or with an RPG because the aircraft suddenly exploded without any call or signs of trouble. The front part of the ship with both pilots strapped in their seats separated from the rest of the Huey in the explosion and was blown well over 40 feet from the rest of the wreck. I believe one of the pilots was a CW3 and the other was a CPT. Both survived the explosion and the fall; but I seem to recall that the CPT died a few days later. The CW3's seat landed so that he was facing up toward the sky. He was paralyzed from the neck down. CONDOR BLUE aborted the mission but returned with another helicopter unit and more troops. This force was inserted at a few locations a hundred yards or so from the site of the exploded Huey. It took them 6 to 8 hours to recover the pilots and what remained of the others on the ship. I don't recall if the LRRPs or the engineers had any casualties, but I'd be surprised if they didn't. Taken from the Vietnam Helicopter Pilots' Assn database

The information available to The Virtual Wall is not sufficient to confirm that Staff Sergeant Dedman was aboard 67-17697 but it seems fairly certain that he was ... there is no other candidate aircraft.

EUGENE DEDMAN

Corporal Dedman was Killed in Action while fighting the enemy in South Korea. His remains were not recovered and his name is listed on the Courts of the Missing in the Honolulu Memorial in Honolulu, Hawaii.

Home Town/State Jefferson, Kentucky; Branch of Service, Army; Date of Incident: 07/31/1950; Conflict: Korean War 1950-1953; Service Rank: Corporal Unit: Company C, 1st Battalion, 19th Infantry Regiment, 24th Infantry Division; Status: Killed in Action.

Information provided by the American Battle Monuments Commission.

**J. S. Dedmon
Korean War**

Aviation Electronics Man First Class Dedmon was a crew member of a PBM-5S Mariner patrol bomber with Patrol Squadron 892, based at Naval Air Station Iwakuni, Japan. On August 7, 1952, the aircraft was returning to its base with only one engine in bad weather. It struck Luzon Mariveles Mountains, Philippines killing 13 crewmen.



CONGRATULATIONS DR. JARVIS!!!



Rodney Jarvis recently received his PhD in genetics from UGA, Athens, GA. He worked evenings for a local Pizza business to subsidize the family income, along with student teaching and being in the lab during the day. He is the son of Renae Smith Crowe.

Renee is related to me (Leroy Dedmon) through the Templeton family. Her grandfather, Elgin Templeton was a brother to my maternal grandmother, Pearl Templeton Dickson Vess. Their relationship to the Dedmon family comes from Hannah Dedmon Dickson, the wife of David McArthur Dickson. Elgin Married Maybelle Black who was a great granddaughter to Hannah and David. Hannah was my mother's great grandmother and my father's great aunt. Although Maybelle and Elgin were not related, they were both kin to the same people. The story goes that they were concerned about getting married afraid they were "blood" kin. Convinced by other family members they were not related, they married.

Rodney and his wife, Katherine, recently became the proud parents of a baby boy, Harvey James Jarvis. They are currently living in Marietta, GA as Rodney is seeking employment. We wish them well...

KELLY DEADMON

Kelly Deadmon is an American actress. Kelly Deadmon is the host of Date Plate, a Food Network TV show that matches dates together through culinary persuasion. Originally from Crossville, Tennessee, this New York City-based actress has appeared on every New York based television



show and soap opera including Law and Order, Third Watch and Ed. Ms. Deadmon has also appeared on the big screen in such movies as 'Keeping the Faith' with Ben Stiller and 'Anger Management' with Jack Nicholson. Deadmon has hosted a number of game shows with such stars as David Brenner and Danny Bonaduce. Kelly has also been seen in countless commercials in the US, spanning over 13 years. Deadmon resides with her husband Victor in Manhattan, where they're currently collaborating on a monthly variety show. She was born June 26, 1967, Crossville, Tennessee, United States. *Best Known For Movie: Snake Eyes, Filmography: Freeheld (2015), Inside Amy Schumer (2014), The Blacklist (2013), Law & Order: Special Victims Unit (2000-2013), The Good Wife (2012), 30 Rock (2012), Royal Pains (2011-2012), Montauk (2011), Unforgettable (2011), The Big C (2010), Big Lake (2010), Louie (2010), Law & Order: Criminal Intent (2002-2010), Law & Order (2001-2009), (Untitled) (2009), Cashmere Mafia (2008), As the World Turns (2007), The Agency (2007), The Doctor Cares (2006), Drift (2006), Rescue Me (2004), H.O.L.E.: The Disillusionment of Mike and Eva (2002), Ed (2001), Hopewell (2000), Keeping the Faith (2000), Third Watch (1999), Snake Eyes (1998), Apt. 2F (1997), Tour of Pain (2002), What's Next! (2005), Race to the Red Carpet (2005), Date Plate (2004). Astrological Sign: Cancer, Occupation: Actress, Spouse: Victor Verhaeghe, Movies: Keeping the Faith, (Untitled), Height: 5ft 8in (1.73 m).*

Kelly is the daughter of Ken and Carolyn Deadmon of Lake Tansi Village, a resort community in Cumberland County, Tennessee,

WENDELL DEDMON

Wendell Kelly Dedmon, 66, of Cabot, passed away Wednesday, Aug. 30, after a 16-year battle with chronic lymphoid leukemia. He was born Aug. 14, 1940 in Cabot, to the late James Kelly and Marjorie Freeman Dedmon. He retired from the U. S. Navy as senior chief petty officer in the field of electronics with a specialty in submarine sonar.

He continued in the area of research and design of sonar electronics serving as vice president of signal processing and measurement division at Planning Systems, Inc., of Reston, Va. He received numerous achievement awards and commendations during his naval career. He was a member of the American Legion and the United States Submarine Veterans—Razorback Base.

He was preceded in death by three brothers, Jimmy Dedmon, Andy Dedmon and David Dedmon. Survivors include his wife, Bessie Dedmon; two daughters, Nona Davis and husband Jered of Cabot and Amy Martin and husband Matt of Clarksville, Tenn.; one stepson, Charles Smith and wife Dale of Cabot; three sisters, Anna Lee White and Rhoda Belle Burgess of Cabot, and Martha Osgood of Iowa; two grandchildren, three step-grandchildren; and six step-great grandchildren.

Services will be held at 10 a.m. Tuesday at Bayou Meto Baptist Church in Jacksonville with burial to follow in Arkansas State Veteran's Cemetery in North Little Rock. Funeral arrangements are by Thomas Funeral Service in Cabot. The family would like to express sincere appreciation to Dr. Anne Marie Maddox and all others at the Cancer Research Center. In lieu of flowers, the family would appreciate memorials be made to the Cancer Re-search Center at the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences, 4301 West Markham, Little Rock, Ark., 72205. **Find A Grave Memorial# 46707674**

WANDA GALE CRANE

ROSSVILLE, GA—Wanda Gale Crane, 75, of Rossville, Ga., passed away on Sunday, Oct. 30, 2016. Born Jan. 30, 1941, she was the daughter of



the late Golden and Ruby Thompson. She was a lifelong resident of the Rossville area where she was a member of the Westside Baptist Church. Mrs. Crane retired in 1994 from ACG Construction as the secretary/bookkeeper with 20 years of service. Her passions in life were God, family, church, and flower gardening. She is survived by her husband of 56 years, Donald Crane; daughter, Sonya Crane, of East Ridge; two sons, Ken Crane and wife, Julie, of Ringgold, Ga., and Darryl Crane, of Jacksonville, Fla.; sister, Linda Davis, of East Ridge; brother, Hayven Thompson, of Ringgold, Ga.; two grandchildren, Jack and August; and several nieces and nephews. Condolences may be sent to www.lane-southcrest.chapel.com. Funeral services will be conducted at 11:30 a.m. Friday, Nov. 4, 2016, in the South Crest Chapel, with Rev. Gary Moore officiating. Interment will follow in Burning Bush Baptist Church Cemetery in Ringgold, Ga. The family will receive friends Thursday, from 5 to 8 p.m., and Friday, from 10 to 11 a.m., at the South Crest Chapel of Lane Funeral Home and Crematory, located at the end of historic Missionary Ridge, Rossville.

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Most of my childhood years were about a mile from Donald Crane. Our families were close friends and attended the same church. We never knew we were related until I began the research project 20 years ago.

ELIZABETH VEAL

Elizabeth Lucille (Tiny) Veal, 71, Lexington, died Wednesday of an apparent heart attack at Central Baptist Hospital. She was the widow of Leslie G. (Captain Tag) Veal, who was known for his traffic reports from his helicopter. Born November 6, 1923 in Waco, she was a daughter of the late Archie V. and Annabelle Lanter Dedman. A member of Calvary Baptist Church, she and her husband operated a distribution company and an aviation flying school at Bluegrass Airport. She was active in the establishment of the first aviation flying school at Eastern Kentucky University, and upon the death of her husband she became the owner and president of Contract Aviation Services Inc. A former administrative assistant and executive housekeeper for the Campbell House Inn, she was a former division manager for Sears Roebuck, a former Jockey Club manager, and past manager and purchasing agent for Lexington Air Taxi. She was a member of Daughters of the Nile, the Kentucky Aviation History Roundtable, and a Kentucky Colonel. Survivors include a son, a daughter in law, a step granddaughter, two sisters, Nell Yarnell and Mary Carroll Dedman, both of Lexington, two brothers and sister-in-law, Leroy and Juanita Dedman, Kissimmee, FL, and Archie H. and Mae Dedman, Lexington; and several aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, great-nieces, and great nephews. Funeral Services will be 1 p.m. Sat at Calvary Baptist Church by Dr. Robert G. Baker. Burial will be in Lexington Cemetery. Friends may call from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. today at Kerr Brothers Funeral Home. Memorials are suggested to Captain Tag Veal Memorial Aviation Fund, PO Box 19A, Eastern Kentucky University, Richmond, KY 40475 or Calvary Baptist Church Building Fund, 150 E. High Street, Lex. 40507

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SHIRLEY DEADMON



Mrs. Shirley Velma Scercy Deadmon, 82 of Landis, passed away at home on Tuesday, August 16, 2016. Born on August 6, 1934 in Cabarrus County, she was the daughter of the late Jonah Benjamin and Beulah Elizabeth Roberts Scercy. Earlier in life she worked for the Stag and Doe Restaurant. Later she was employed by and retired from Cannon Mills Company. In addition to her parents, she was preceded by her husband, William C. Deadmon in 2014.

Those left to cherish her memory are her children, daughters Renee Deadmon, Kelly Dennard and Stephanie Hannah, all of Landis and son Timothy M. Deadmon (Jennifer) of Trinity. Also surviving her is her sister Lucille Eatherly and grandchildren Brian Dennard (April), Christopher Dennard (Hayley), Cody Dennard, Katie Dennard, Jonathan Hannah and Drew Hannah. Also surviving her are her great grandchildren, Austin, Paige, Aiden, Jaime, Charlie, Damien, Alissa, Allie, Ashton and Waylon.

Visitation will be on Saturday from 1:00 til 2:00 at Linn Honeycutt Funeral Home in Landis with funeral following at 2:00 also at the funeral home with Rev. Larry Beaver, minister. Burial will follow at West Lawn Memorial Park.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the American Alzheimers Association 4600 Park Road Suite 250, Charlotte, NC 28209. Online condolences may be made to the family at www.linnhoneycuttfuneralhome.com.

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WILLIAM C. DEADMON

LANDIS - Mr. William C. Deadmon, 85, of Landis, passed away Saturday, July 19, 2014, at Tucker Hospice House in Kannapolis. Born on April 21, 1929, in Rowan County, he was the son of the late Marshall and Bertha Sechler Deadmon.

A graduate of Landis High School, he served his country in the U.S.

Army. He was of the Methodist faith and retired from the Town of Landis as the public works director. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by brothers Marshall, O.C., Banks, John and Ralph Deadmon; and sisters Ila Hampton and Edith Clawson.

Those left to cherish his memory are his wife, Shirley S. Deadmon; daughters Renee Deadmon, Kelly Deadmon Dennard, Stephanie Deadmon Hannah; and son Tim Deadmon (Jennifer). He is also survived by his sisters, Mary Ann Hollar and Lola Beaver. His grandchildren are Brian, Christopher, Cody and Katie Dennard and Jonathan and Drew Hannah. He is also survived by great-grandchildren Austin, Aidan, Paige, Waylon, Jaime and Ashton.

Visitation is Wednesday from 6 to 8:30 p.m. at Linn-Honeycutt Funeral Home in Landis, with the funeral Thursday at 2 p.m., also at the funeral home with burial at West Lawn Memorial Park.

Memorials: May be made to Hospice and Palliative Care of Cabarrus, 5003 Hospice Lane, Kannapolis, NC

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MARIE CURD

Mrs. Flossie Marie Dedmon Curd age 29, wife of S G Curd, died at a local sanitarium yesterday morning, following a short illness. She is survived by her husband: two children by a former marriage, Marie and Johnnie Neal: her father and mother, Mr and Mrs J W Deadman: three brothers, Thomas, Mark and Edward Deadman, two sisters, Mrs Goldie Eskew and Miss Mary Deadman, all of this city. On account of illness in the home, the funeral will be held at the Hixson Cemetery this afternoon at 2 o'clock instead of at the home, as previously announced. The Rev Brown and the Rev Newton will officiate.

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RUBY GRANSTAFF

Services for Mrs. Ruby Lee Jones Granstaff, 80, of Watertown were held June 10, 1996 at the Union Hill Cumberland Presbyterian Church conducted by Bro. James Messer and Bro. J. H. Jackson. Interment was in the church cemetery. Mrs. Granstaff died June 8 at Cedars Health Care Center, Lebanon. Mrs. Granstaff was born in Sykes, the daughter of the late Jessie Lee Jones and Arie Laverne Dedmon Jones. She was married to Clyde L. Granstaff, who preceded her in death on April 27, 1989. They lived in Sykes before moving to Watertown in 1984. Mrs. Granstaff was a cook at Gordonsville School for many years. She was a member of the Union Hill Cumberland Presbyterian Church.

GERTRUDE DEDMAN

Dedman, Mrs. Gertrude, 77, formerly of 845 Bennett Avenue, died at 3:30 p.m. Monday at a nursing home in Nicholasville after a long illness. She was the wife of the late H.B. Dedman, born in Woodford County, daughter of the late Arthur Thomas and Gertrude Hurst Strange. She was a member of Hillcrest Baptist Church. Survived by four daughters, Mrs. Rebeccah Hensley, Lexington; Mrs. Lena Barnes, Lexington; Mrs. Opal Hensley, Jessamine County; Mrs. Florine McBride, Lexington. three sons, Owen Dedman, Charles Thomas Dedman, Dixson Everett Dedman, all of Lexington; three sisters, Mrs. Margaret Smith, of Lexington; Mrs. Carolyn Carl, of Indiana; Mrs. Mary Ann Desponet, of Woodford County; two half-brothers, Arthur and Albert Strange, both of Jessamine County; twenty-two grandchildren, twenty great-grandchildren, and several nieces and nephews. Funeral services will be held 2:30 p.m. Wednesday at Kerr Brothers Funeral Home with Rev. Donald White officiating. Burial in Bluegrass Memorial Gardens. Friends may call after 5 p.m. today.

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DARLENE DEADMON



Darlene Kendrick Deadmon, age 73, of Little Rock, went to heaven on the wings of an angel Sept. 12, 2010. She was born March 29, 1937 to the late John Henry Sr. and Rutha Mae Cary Kendrick. She was a member of the original Spiritual Echos Gospel Singers of Little Rock.

She is survived by husband, Walter James Deadmon; two sons, Robert (Ruthie) and Garry (Daphne) Deadmon; six grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren; one sister, Ruthie (Thomas) Pearson; four brothers, Elroy (Dorothy), Hermon (Geneva), William (Deloris) and Bernard Kendrick all of Little Rock.

Service will be 11 a.m., Saturday, at Greater Trinity COGIC. Family hour 6-7 p.m. at Woods Temple COGIC. Interment, Arkansas State Veterans Cemetery, Monday, 11 a.m. Watson-Northcrest (501) 812-5303.

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TAMMY COCKRELL

Tammy Dedmon Cockrell, 54, died Tuesday, January 14, 2014 at University of Mississippi Medical Center. A funeral service will be held at 1:00 p.m. Saturday, January 18, 2014 at Byram Assembly of God with burial following at Lakewood Memorial Park. Visitation will begin at 10:00 a.m. Saturday at the church.

Survivors include her husband, Jackie Cockrell of Jackson; daughter, Cassie Turbeville Boyd of Star; son, Joseph Shayne Turbeville of Pearl; step-daughter, Amanda Randall Woods of Edwards; 3 grandchildren; brothers, Glenn Dedmon of Ashville, AL; Steven Dedmon of Pearl; Bobby Hittle of Houston, TX; Kenny Hittle of Pearl; Keith Dedmon of Florence; Jordan Dedmon of Florence; sisters, Angie Parker Everett of Moss Point, MS; Beverly Parker Dedmon of Richland; Belle Dedmon of Florence and numerous nieces and nephews.

Tammy was born on July 10, 1959 in Vicksburg, MS, the daughter of William Joseph Dedmon and the late Betty Joe Stafford. Raised by Mother Carolyn Stevens Dedmon.

Tammy graduated in 1978 from Pearl High School and continued her education at Hinds Community College, where she studied to become an LPN. She began her career working at the Mississippi State Hospital. She also worked from Brandon Health and Rehabilitation and most recently at Willow Creek in Byram.

Tammy was gentle, sweet, caring, and always smiling and would help anyone in need. In her younger years, she served as both a Boy Scout and Girl Scout Leader. She attended Byram Assembly of God in Byram. She will most be remembered as a loving wife, beloved mother, cherished sister and devoted grandmother.

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HOMER HARDEMAN

HARDEMAN, Jr., Homer Age 91, of Douglasville, GA. passed away Oct. 30, 2016. Services Nov. 3, 12:00 PM at Whitley Garner at Rosehaven Funeral Home, Douglasville, GA. He is survived by his wife of almost 68 years, Sarah Inez Broome. She is the daughter of William Monroe and Ola Wade Tinney Broome and granddaughter of William Louis and Caroline Caldonia "Callie" Dedmon Broom. (All deceased) Homer was preceded in death by his Parents Homer and Mary Hardeman, a son Steve and one grandson.



WILLIAM PEGRAM

William Cowan Pegram, age 90 of Hermitage, formerly of Dayton, died Monday, January 21, 2008 at McKendree Health Care Center in Hermitage, TN. Bill was born September 17, 1917 in Waverly, TN, the son of the late William Erdean and Beulah (Collier) Pegram. He was also preceded in death by his wife of 68 years, **Gladys Lee (Dedmon) Pegram**, sisters Mabel Bulla and Louise Booker and granddaughter Janice Darlene Leuty. Bill had lived in Dayton since 1940 where he was an insurance sales representative.

He was the former Mayor and City Councilman of Dayton and was a member of Dayton First Baptist Church where he served as a deacon for many years. Bill is survived by his son, Rev. Dan (Carmoleta) Pegram of Savannah, GA, daughter Moya Leuty of Hermitage, TN, two grandsons, Jim (Carolyn) Leuty, Jr. of Franklin, TN and D. Lynn (Leslie) Pegram of Savannah, GA and three great-grandchildren, Jason Leuty and Laura Leuty of Franklin and Jakob Pegram of Savannah.

Funeral services for Bill will be held Thursday afternoon at 2:00 pm in the funeral home chapel with Rev. Milton Knox officiating. Burial will follow in Rhea Memory Gardens. The family is being served by Vanderwall Funeral Home where they will receive friends Wednesday from 5:00 pm until 8:00pm. Please share your memories with the family on their

**on-line guest register at
www.vanderwallfh.com.
Find A Grave Memorial#
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BERTA C. DEDMON

Aug. 6, 1926 - Dec. 14, 2005

She was the wife of the Benjamin Dedmon, (her spouse of 50 years who preceded her in death). She was the 2nd of 15 children born to Jim and Della Carter. She retired in the early 1980s from Napa State Hospital after working for many years as a Hospital Worker in the Children's Program and a member of Starlight Missionary Baptist Church. She is survived by her daughters, Bennice Dedmon and Sharon Booker; son, Cardell Dedmon; four grandchildren. Preceded by her parents; brothers, MH, JC, Robert, Jessie and sisters, Helen, Jimmy Mae, Georgia Mae, Jessie Mae and Johnnie Mae. Service: Starlight Missionary Baptist Church. Burial at Sunrise Memorial Cemetery.

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GENEVA D. LEE

Funeral services for Mrs Geneva Dedmon Lee, 38, who was killed Sunday in an automobile accident on I-24 are now complete. She is the sister of Mrs William (Bosh) Lawson of Cleveland. Services were to be conducted today at 2 p.m. in R.J. Coulter Chapel with the Rev Wally Angel officiating. Burial was to be in Hamilton Memorial Gardens. Pallbearers were Charles Thomas, Frank Stonesipher, W.F. Sullivan, Ralph Vineyard, S.B. Farmer and Don Nicholson

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Genevea was the daughter of Thomas Crawford and Mae Lovelady Dedmon. She is survived by her husband George Lee.



Geneva Dedmon Lee

GEORGE E. LEE

George Eddley Lee of Savannah, Georgia and formerly of Lafayette, Georgia, widower of Geneva Dedmon Lee, died Sunday morning, December 14, 2003, at Azalealand Nursing Home. He was 80 years old. Born in Hamilton County, Tennessee, he was a son of the late James E. Lee and Jennie Fuller Lee. Mr. Lee was of the Baptist faith and retired from Hardware/Garden Center sales. He was a United States Army Air Corp veteran having served in the South Pacific during World War II. Surviving are his son and daughter-in-law, Michael T. and Nancy C. Lee of Savannah, Georgia; three grandchildren, Mark Lee and his wife Tonya of Knoxville, Tennessee, Elizabeth Lee, a student at Georgia Southern University, and Richard Lee, a student at Savannah Christian Preparatory School, and one great-grandson, Hunter Lee. Funeral service was held at 11 o'clock Tuesday morning at the graveside, Hamilton Memorial Gardens in Hixson, Tennessee, conducted by The Reverend Dr. Charles A. Cornwell, Jr. Remembrances: Savannah Christian Preparatory School - Post Office Box 2848,

Savannah, Georgia
31402-2848

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