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ARE WE HAVING FUN YET?

If time flies when you are having fun, I must be having a tremendous party. It is difficult to believe we have reached the year 2023. It seems like only yesterday I was saving food and water for Y-2K... I think I will go ahead and pour it all out!!! I am not sure how many issues of this Newsletter I will publish, but I would like to reach at least 200. As I am planning to make the publication on a bi-monthly basis, it will take me through 2024 to accomplish that. The first Issue was March, 1998, so the next issue (March-April), #190, will begin the twenty-fifth year of publication.

BERLA JANE GLASSCOCK DEDMON (1940-2023)

As many of you already know, I lost my wife of almost 64 years on February 9th of this year. However, it was my second loss as dementia does that to you. She has not been herself for a few years and under hospice care for two years. It is difficult to lose one you love so dearly, but at the same time, we know that death plays no favorites and is an appointment each of us has. To the Christian death is an escape from the land of the dying to the land of the living. We anticipate with great hope the reunion with those we love. Even if we are wrong about it, we still have the strength gained from our faith that believes the dead shall live again. My brother, Bill, was one of the preachers at her Funeral Service and put it well when he said, "Jane has departed but with every departure there is an arrival. So while we mourn her departure, there are those who will welcome her arrival.



She was 83 years old on February 1, about a week before she drew her last breath, in the picture to the left, we are celebrating her 82nd birthday as she was not able to take part in number 83. Had she lived till April 5th, we would have celebrated our 64th wedding Anniversary. (See picture to the right) She was a faithful Christian Lady and a humble servant of our Lord. She lived in what some call a "Fishbowl Society" in reference to being a preacher's wife and in the scrutiny of the public eye, but she handled it well.



We celebrated our fiftieth anniversary on April 5, 2009 at the Chattanooga Valley Church of Christ, the congregation where we were married, although it was not the same building. Most of those who participated in the wedding were able to attend the anniversary celebration. (Pictures to the right)



THE LAST REAL FILLING STATION

In 1928 Babe Ruth smashed 54 home runs for the New York Yankees, while Mickey Mouse made his first appearance in the cartoon "Steamboat Willie." In 1928 Babe Ruth smashed 54 home runs for the New York Yankees, while Mickey Mouse made his first appearance in the cartoon "Steamboat Willie." And the same year, at his small filling station on the side of Highway 70, almost halfway between Lebanon and Carthage, Earl White began pumping gas for 21 cents a gallon.

Today, if you pull into White's Service Station needing a fill up or just a couple of gallons of gasoline, you might be surprised that you will not have to exit your vehicle. That's because Earl White's son Gary or his grandson Stacy, just like Earl, will handle the fueling chore themselves. Located in the Rome community, this white block garage and office with a forest green roof is one of the last real filling stations standing.

"Dad started here in 1928. The station had already been opened and was being run by the Ingram family, maybe less than a year," Gary says of the time the first White took over the business. "I've been here all my life. I took over on my own in 1965 after my dad passed away."

He remembers gas selling here for 26.9 cents a gallon in the 1960s, but today it's priced at \$2.69, exactly 10 times what it was 50 years ago. "We do oil changes, tire work, sell new tires, used tires, gasoline, batteries and work on lawn mowers. We do quite a bit of small engine repair on mowers and tillers (no weed eaters, please). That's the way it's always been. Trade seems to have worked over the years. You don't bite the hand that feeds you," Gary said.

White's Service Station on Highway 70 between Carthage and Lebanon remains one of the few gas stations in Middle Tennessee where the attendant pumps the fuel for you. Hours are 7 a.m.-6 weekdays and 7 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturdays. Address: 915 Lebanon Highway. Phone: (615) 444-5881.

"I started helping when I was in high school, about 14 years old," said Stacy, who has followed in his father's shoes. The baton passed to him several years ago, and now his father helps him. They pump gas as they have always done, but nowadays rarely wash windshields, check the oil or check tire pressure, jobs they would be glad to do, however, said Stacy, "Most of them (customers) are too busy and in a hurry."

"You never know what's gonna come through that door," said Gary. "I just help out on what I can do. Sit in that chair a lot. Wait on gas trade and help him fix mowers." "There's no such thing as a typical day. You may do nothing or you may get busy," said Stacy, who farms, raises cattle and hay.



Stacy White, who operates Whites Service Station on Highway 70 between Carthage and Lebanon, pumps gas for motorist Calvin Bridges of Clinton Tennessee. Stacy is the third generation of Whites to run the filling station as he follows in the steps of his father, Gary and grandfather, Earl.

This summer morning in August they sit in the office and watch the news on CNN. "Everything's fixed, I reckon," said Stacy, who has two used lawn mowers displayed out front, a John Deere (\$750) and a Murray (\$450).

"It's gotten harder all the time," Gary admitted of the difficulty of running an independent gas station in the second decade of a new millennium. "The oil companies we buy our gasoline from started opening up stations of their own and selling gasoline at under or what we paid for it." As far how the price of gas can leap a dime or more in the blink of an eye, he says, "I got the answer: greed. The gasoline market for years was stable. We never went up more than a couple of cents, and now it's liable to change 10 cents overnight."

Gary is no fan of the global market, but sees their goal as simply serving their local market. "At one time our business was geared toward the farming trade, but all that has dropped over the years. There was a time that Dad had a pretty good trade out of people from Livingston and Cookeville on their way to Nashville," he recollected. The Whites' most loyal customer is likely Earl North, who decades ago worked here for the original Mr. White. "He's been buying his gas here for more than 55 years," noted Gary. Another faithful fan was country music star Ricky Van Shelton, who owned a farm nearby for years before moving back to his home state of Virginia. Van Shelton traded with the Whites and enjoyed just hanging around and shooting the breeze. Other than selling fuel, this no-frills, all-American gas station has nothing in common with the myriad of convenience markets you spot across the U.S. at every intersection in towns or near interstate exits. You'll find no candies, soft drinks or cigarettes for sale here. It's strictly about car care.

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Gary and Stacy do pay homage to their patriarch, who set their careers in motion before they were born. An oval laid in the tiles of the office floor states the fact: White's Service Station, since 1928. "A neighbor laid them. I traded him a set of tires to lay it about 15 years ago," said Gary. As for the biggest change he's seen over the course of his career at one place, he answered, "I-40 happening in the '60s. It was just like a ghost town then. After it opened, the traffic left 70, but it's come back. So many people have moved back. "You should have seen yesterday," he noted of the heavy traffic flow due to an accident on the interstate which forced many motorists to take the road less traveled. For those who take the time to notice as they drive at a slower pace, perhaps they find delight in recognizing exactly what they are passing on the side of the highway, a rare breed, one of the last real filling stations in America. *(Writer Ken Beck may be contacted at kbttag2@gmail.com)*

DIXON DEDMAN: REVIVING AND CATAPULTING A WHISKEY LEGACY

It's not uncommon in the whisky world to see a brand revived after it's been dormant for a number of years. Some pre-Prohibition brands have only just come back with the recent American whiskey boom. But it is certainly less common to see such a brand revived and catapulted into premium status in just a few years, and that's precisely what has happened with Kentucky Owl. "One of the questions I get asked a lot is... 'How did I start doing this? Where was my education?'" said Dixon Dedman, the Kentucky Owl master blender who joined Whisky Advocate's #TasteWithSpace on Instagram Live on Oct. 9. "One of the greatest pieces of advice... A lot of the people I decided to emulate said, 'You know what? Make and create whiskeys that you like, that you believe in.'"

The original Kentucky Owl brand was founded in 1879 by Dedman's great-great grandfather, and Dedman relaunched it in 2014 after he'd been working in another family business—historic Kentucky hotel The Beaumont Inn. "I'm the fifth generation in my family to operate the inn, so there's a lot of history there. I pride myself on being a 12th-generation Kentuckian," Dedman said. Once the brand was revived, Dedman and his former partner set out to create "very high-profile, amazing, quality liquid with unique characteristics, with unique profiles" and develop them into barrel-proof blends without worrying about volume, Dedman added.

SECONDARY MARKET OWL

Since Kentucky Owl products are produced without concern to volume, they tend to fetch high price tags and are regular fixtures on the whiskey secondary market. Whether it be retailers marking up the shelf price or whiskey flippers capitalizing on the scarcity, these whiskeys can be hard to access for most drinkers, particularly as bars across the country remain closed. While Dedman sympathized with the drinkers who can't pay



astronomically marked-up prices, he reasoned that "for the majority of people, it's not what you pour because you've had a long day," and instead is a special drink to be enjoyed on special occasions.

Dedman addressed the pricing issue again during the audience question-and-answer segment, when he disclosed that he has been working for a number of years on an expression that will be more widely available and sold at a more affordable price than previous releases. In April of 2019, Kentucky Owl introduced Confiscated, a straight bourbon available in all 50 states and priced at \$125, meant to give curious drinkers a more attainable access point. This new, yet-to-be-named product, will push that access point even further, and we await an official announcement with additional details. (Be sure to check Whisky Weekend every Friday for information on the latest releases.)

On the opposite end of the pricing spectrum, Dedman discussed the newest Kentucky Owl release, Dry State bourbon, which was released to commemorate the 100th anniversary of Prohibition, with only 2,000 bottles available. He and Whisky Advocate digital assistant editor Ted Simmons tasted Dry State, which retails for \$1,000. "This is kind of a celebration of the 100-year anniversary of America going into a 'dry state,'" Dedman said.

DOWN MEMORY LANE

Good and Lucky, USC Coach Says

BY ROBERT GORDON '

GREENSBORO, N.C.(UPI)



Lady Luck finally smiled on South Carolina, and Frank McGuire may never be the same. The fickle lady favored the seventh-ranked Gamecocks in the final six seconds of the Atlantic Coast Conference tournament Saturday night with North Carolina leading 51-50. South Carolina's 6-3 sophomore guard Kevin Joyce was squared off against North Carolina's 6-11 senior center Lee Dedmon for a jump ball. Joyce outleaped Dedmon and tapped the ball perfectly to the Gamecocks' 6-10 Tom Owens, who grabbed it and sank a layup for a 52-51 score that gave South Carolina its first ACC basketball championship. "The good Lord has to be on your side when you win like this," said McGuire. "You have to be good and lucky."

McGuire has caused to remember such luck. In last year's tourney, South Carolina owned a one-point lead in the finals and appeared headed for victory when Ed Leftwich of North Carolina State stole a pass and raced downcourt for a layup that dashed the Gamecocks' hopes. ' But the pain of the debacle was eased considerably with the victory over the 14th-ranked Tar Heels.

"I know it's silly in a way, but right now this is the biggest thrill of my life. It's a bigger win than 1957," said McGuire, whose North Carolina team won the NCAA championship with a 32-0 record last year.

South Carolina, with a 23-4 mark now advances to the NCAA Eastern Regionals in Raleigh, N. C., Thursday where it takes on undefeated and fourth-ranked Pennsylvania. Villanova plays Fordham in the other regionals contest. "It was the year for the ball to bounce our way," said Owens. Many sports observers at mid-season began to doubt the Gamecocks would win the conference title after they lost four games to conference opponents. But the squad bounced back with 12 straight victories to erase any doubt as to its championship caliber.

The Gamecocks also drew criticism for roughhouse play, particularly alter a game against ACC rival Maryland which had to be halted after a brawl between the two teams in which Terrapin Coach Lefty Driesell claimed he was struck in the face by a Carolina player. But it was not the physical style as much as finesse which ultimately beat the Tar Heels before a picked crowd of 15,170 Saturday night.

Tar Heels star George Karl went to the free throw line for a lone and one with 21 seconds remaining and a 51-50 lead. The ball missed its mark and South Carolina grabbed the rebound. Joyce drove for the basket, but was tied up and a jump ball was called between Joyce and Dedmon.

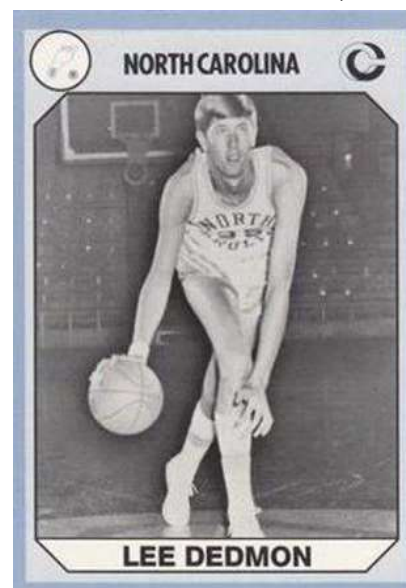
"Coach McGuire told Kevin to jump for the moon and not just the ball/' Owens said later. With perfect timing, Joyce outleaped Dedmon and tapped the ball to Owens for the winning points. North Carolina was unable to get the ball into play in the final two seconds.

South Carolina and all America guard John Roche, who led both teams in scoring with 18 points, shared the Most Valuable Player award for the tournament with Dedmon. Dennis Wuycik was high man for North Carolina with 16. Owens scored 14 points and added 19 rebounds.

Tar Heel Coach Dean Smith predicted good fortune for the Gamecocks at the regionals. "Having a super player like John Roche will be a tremendous asset for South Carolina in the playoff," said Smith. "I think they are going to go very far."

The Tar Heels, with a .22-6 record, are expected to accept a bid to the National Invitational tournament in New York.

-Suffolk News-Herald, 15 March 1971





DEDMAN and HOOKS WED

Mr. and Mrs. Archibald R. Hooks, of Dunn, N.C, who were married at Rockville, Md., yesterday afternoon are stopping: at the Hotel Rammel. The couple came to Alexandria yesterday to be married but owing to the fact that the bride, Miss Marjorie, Dedman, of Selma, N. C., had not attained her majority, and the consent of her parents not having been secured, a license could not be issued in Virginia. Mr. and Mrs. Hooks' matrimonial difficulties are thus facetiously described by Jas. F. Peyton, dean of the Alexandria newspaper correspondents in today's post.

Tightly bound in Hymen's bonds yesterday afternoon by the Rev. . Mr. White, of Rockville, Md., Mr. and Mrs. Archibald R. Hooks, both now of Dunn. N. C.. spent the first of their honeymoon at the Hotel Rammel, in this city, and will depart for Dunn this morning. The bride formerly was Miss Marjorie Dedman, 18, daughter of L. D. Dedman, banker and prominent business man of Selma, N. C. about 25 miles from Dunn,

When Mr. Dedman went to Washington on Thursday he was accompanied by his pretty, dark eyed daughter. Mr. Archibald R. Hooks, 22, cotton buyer, of Dunn, N. C., had in some mysterious way learned of the journey and arrived in Washington about 11 o'clock yesterday morning. In an equally strange manner Mr. Hooks learned where Mr. Dedman and his daughter were stopping. The rest seemed easy, but it was not as easy as it seemed. While in Selma, N.C., banker was engrossed in business affairs, the young couple met at the Raleigh Hotel and then "slipped" over to Alexandria.

Under the laws of Virginia both parties to a marriage contract must have arrived at the age of 21. The license clerk was sympathetic, however, and suggested Rockville. Washington's other Gretna Green. When the young couple returned to this city late in the afternoon and the bridegroom proudly wrote on the hotel register "A. R. Hooks' and Mrs. Hooks. Dunn N. C.." it was evident that a newlywed held the pen and the romance soon unfolded.

Alexandria Gazette, 26 February 1916

250 PW'S HELPED EDITOR READ PROOF ON BOOK

FAIRBURY, Neb. (U.P.) — Emmett Deadman, whose novel "Duty to Live" will be published this spring, is a determined author, according to his sister, Mrs. Jack B. Hennev, Fairbury. Deadman wrote most of the book in longhand on scraps of paper and candy wrappers while he was held prisoner of war by the Germans. Only after the first draft was written did camp authorities allow him to use the one typewriter in Stalag No. 3 for the work. The author then carried the manuscript with him on an evacuation march through a January blizzard.

The pages were confiscated by an illiterate guard at the end of the trip, but Deadman managed to get them back through the camp interpreter. Deadman, a former Nebraskan, now is a reporter for a Chicago paper. Before the war, he was an assistant to the foreign editor on the paper. But, his sister explains, he has had his fill of foreign areas for the present. Deadman is certain his book is one of the most thoroughly proofread manuscripts in history. He estimates that between 250 and 300 air force officers read it. The novel is the story of two men from widely different areas who are brought together as a bomber's crew. When it was accepted by Houghton-Mifflin, Deadman refused to change the title, but he did make one concession to the publishers. He now spells his name Dedmon to avoid a possible confusing relation between author and title.

-Arlington Daily, 28 February 1946

Emmett Dedmon, was vice president and editorial director of The Chicago Sun-Times and The Chicago Daily News. He joined The Chicago Times as an assistant to the foreign editor in 1941. In World War II he joined the Army Air Corps and spent two years in a German prison camp after being shot down on a bombing mission over Hanover. He later incorporated his experiences in a novel, "Duty to Live." After the war he became literary editor of The Chicago Sun and then literary and drama editor of The Sun-Times. He was named assistant managing editor of The Sun-Times in 1955 and was named vice president and editorial director of The Sun-Times and Daily News in 1968. He resigned both positions in 1978, shortly after the closing of The Daily News was announced. He served on a number of boards, including the board of trustees of the Chicago Historical Society, the Welfare Council of Metropolitan Chicago and the Chicago Chapter of the American Red Cross. He was the author of several books and a former member of the Pulitzer Prize selection committee. He graduated from the University of Chicago in 1939.

COL SAMUEL DEDMAN

Samuel Dedman was born in 1750 at York County, Virginia, and died in 1789 (aged 38–39) at Mecklenburg County, Virginia. Burial details are unknown, but possibly buried on family plot in Mecklenburg County.

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He was the son of Philip Dedman and Margaret Easter Langston, and the great grandson of Christopher and Anne Alice Marten Dedman(Deadman). Samuel married Eleanor Howard in 1771 at York county, VA. She and Col. Samuel Dedman had six children: Henry Howard Dedman, Samuel Francis Dedman, Eleanor Nellie Dedman, John Dedman, Philip Dedman, and William Dedman.

He became a surveyor on January 16, 1775 in York County and moved his family from York County to Mecklenburg County, VA, to safeguard them from the Revolution. He served as a Major in the Mecklenburg County Militia (1781-82) and Lt. Colonel in 1783. He was with General Washington at the Battle of Yorktown. The family owned land just south of the site of the Battle of Yorktown.

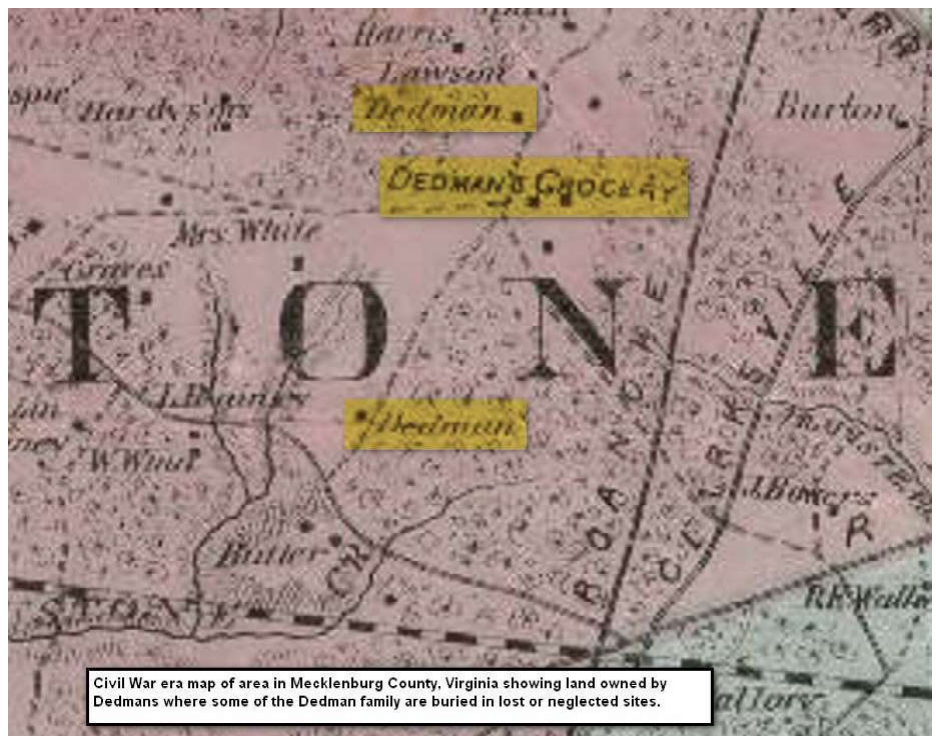
He was a member of the Committee of Safety, and a member of the Virginia General Assembly in 1782. He was a Gentleman Justice in Mecklenburg County from 1775-1783. He died in St. James Parish.

This Samuel Dedman is often mistaken for the Samuel Dedman who was born much earlier in Louisa County, Virginia. Several genealogical sites have them as the same person and add them to family trees where they do not belong.

THIS Samuel Dedman was born in York County, VA, in 1750, the son of Philip Dedman (II) and Margaret Easter Langston. The OTHER Samuel Dedman was born in Louisa County, VA, in 1722, and Samuel 1722 was the brother of Samuel 1750's father, Philip Dedman, Jr.

The Dedmans acquired land in Mecklenburg County, VA, during the life of Philip Dedman, jr. The land was located near Hallstone (a name no longer used) and was very near Skipwith. There are private family cemeteries on this land, some of which can no longer be located. The several Dedman properties in Mecklenburg County, VA, were

divided in connection with the death of Col. Samuel Dedman. His widow married twice more to (1) Robert Wilson, 1794, and (2) David Walker Pettus, 1802. One known Dedman cemetery is located just west of the intersection of highway 688 and highway 695, and just east of Little Bluestone Creek and on the south side of highway 695 (Hanford Road). The other properties were just north on what is now highway 698. There were three separate Dedman properties remaining during the period of the Civil War and after the sale of the land of John Dedman, son of Col. Samuel Dedman. Several of the Dedman graves have been identified, but others are missing marking stones. See map below.



CIVIL WAR ERA MAP IN MECKLENBURG COUNTY, VIRGINIA SHOWING LAND OWNED BY DEDMANS WHERE SOME OF THE DEDMAN FAMILY ARE BURIED IN LOST OR NEGLECTED SITES

MADISON COUNTY

Early Alabama Settler, Francis Dedman

Contributed by Dovie K. Reiff

When researching an ancestor, a life history can more easily be established when land deeds or other official records exist, such as birth and death certificates or wills which document family connections or events. When these are lacking, the records which may be found, such as census records, unrecorded notes, and children's marriages, can however, help chronicle key events for a person or family.

Francis Dedman was an early settler in Madison County, Alabama who left few personal records, but the following is intended to follow him through his known lifetime.

Francis Dedman was born about 1783 in Mecklenburg County, Virginia, son of Samuel Dedman and Eleanor Howard.¹ His father was the County Surveyor in York County, Virginia before moving to Mecklenburg County. There, in Charles Parish, the five oldest children, one daughter and four sons, were born. In Mecklenburg County, four more sons, including Francis, were born.

Samuel Dedman was a Lt. Col. in the Mecklenburg Militia during the American Revolution, a member of the Virginia House of Delegates, and a Mecklenburg County Gentleman Justice. He died in 1789, at an early age, leaving a will. Of his heirs, four were minor sons, including Francis.

At first, Francis' older brother, Henry Howard Dedman, served as his guardian. An administrator's account of Samuel Dedman, deceased, returned in 1795, had a notation for boarding and education of his sons, Thomas, Frank, and Howard. The Orphans and Wards Book of Mecklenburg listed Francis, with his brother Samuel as his guardian in 1796. In 1800, at the age of 16 however, Francis was living with his sister, Eleanor, and her husband. "Nellie" had married Larkin White in 1793; brother Henry Howard married Jincy White, Larkin White's sister, in 1795; and another brother,

John, married Elizabeth White, Jincy's sister, in 1799.

These three White siblings were children of William, Sr., and Martha White of Mecklenburg, who died in 1806 and 1804, respectively. In 1800, brother Philip Dedman married Mary C. Hawkins of Lunenburg County. Brother John Dedman remained in Virginia, but one son moved to Kentucky and one to Tennessee. His grandson was James Monroe Dedman of Selma, Alabama, who was a colonel in the Confederacy, a hotel keeper, and the mayor of Selma.

Dedman siblings Henry Howard, Philip, Francis, and sister Eleanor, who married secondly, Joseph Medley in 1807 in Mecklenburg after Larkin White's death, all moved to Alabama in the early 1800s. Henry Howard, Philip, and Francis lived in Madison County, and Eleanor Medley, with son Samuel Dedman White, lived in Limestone County, where she died in 1840.¹ Two other sons, Larkin S. and William H., lived in Madison County near their uncles, Henry H. and Philip Dedman.

Philip had obtained a land grant in 1814 in Sec 3, T3S R2W and also had later grants and land purchases. He lived until 1852, had 12 children by his first wife, four of whom went to Arkansas,

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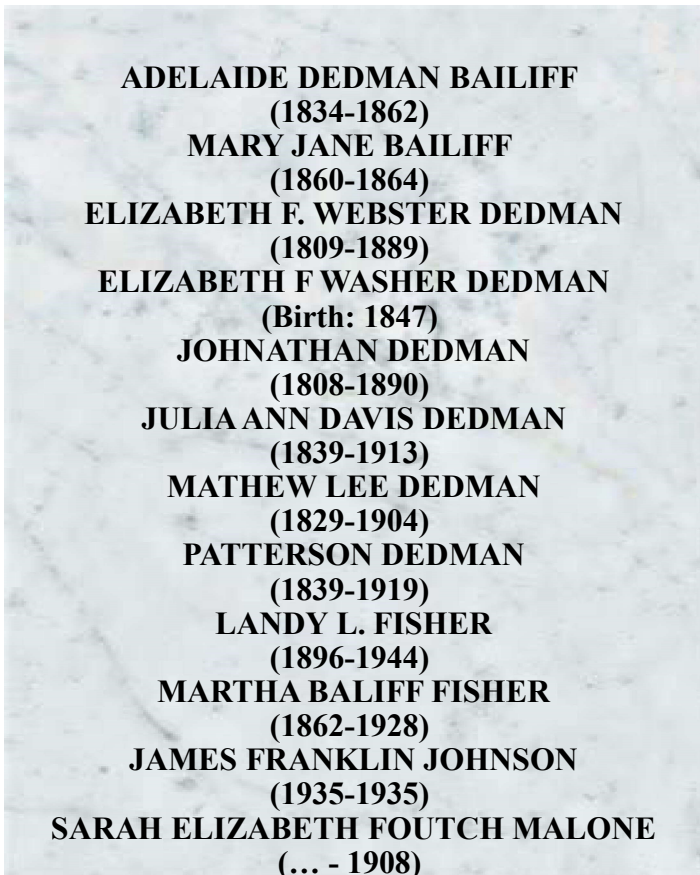
SEND ME YOUR FAMILY OBITUARIES FOR PUBLICATION

There are at least Dedman Cemeteries listed in FindAgrave.com and of course there may be others as it was not uncommon to establish family burial plots which contained few graves, many of which can not be located at the present time. I will attempt to list those here of which we are knowledgeable.

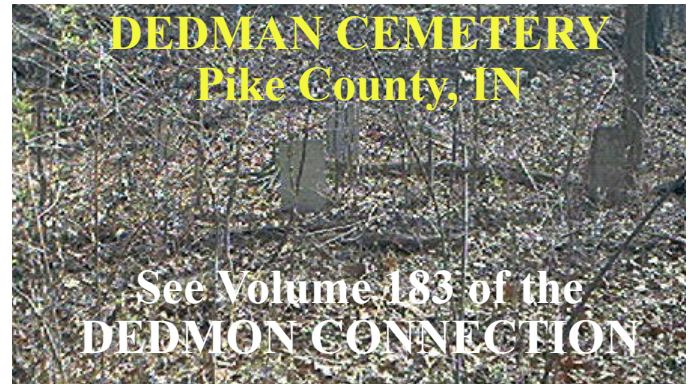


**DEDMAN CEMETERY
Helton, DeKalb County, TN**

This was probably a family burial ground, and may or may not be there in present day. It is, however, listed in the DeKalb Co Cemetery list. If someone in the area can verify using the latitude and longitude, it would be helpful.



ADELAIDE DEDMAN BAILIFF
(1834-1862)
MARY JANE BAILIFF
(1860-1864)
ELIZABETH F. WEBSTER DEDMAN
(1809-1889)
ELIZABETH F WASHER DEDMAN
(Birth: 1847)
JOHNATHAN DEDMAN
(1808-1890)
JULIA ANN DAVIS DEDMAN
(1839-1913)
MATHEW LEE DEDMAN
(1829-1904)
PATTERSON DEDMAN
(1839-1919)
LANDY L. FISHER
(1896-1944)
MARTHA BALIFF FISHER
(1862-1928)
JAMES FRANKLIN JOHNSON
(1935-1935)
SARAH ELIZABETH FOUTCH MALONE
(... - 1908)



**DEDMAN CEMETERY
Pike County, IN**

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**DEDMAN CEMETERY
Cluttsville, Madison County, Alabama**

HENRY WILLIAM DEDMAN (1810-1851)
MARY POLLY HAWKINS DEDMAN (1783-1847)
PHILIP DEDMAN (1779-1852)
ROBERT KNOX (1906-1907)

**DEDMAN CEMETERY
Covington, Kenton County, Kentucky**

ANDREW JACKSON DEDMAN (1856-1859)
JAMES DEDMAN (1787-1856)
SALLY BRYANT DEDMAN (1803-1881)
SARAH JANE DEDMAN (1834-1841)
THOMAS T. GRESAP (????-1851)

**DEDMAN CEMETERY
Dallas County, Arkansas,**

*Since there are 50 names listed for this cemetery,
I am only going to list the "Dedman" names.*
PEARLIE DEDMAN COLEMAN (1892-1964)
EDA DEDMAN (1903-1904)
IDA DEDMAN (1897-1912)
JULIA V. DEDMAN (1882-1962)
PERMALIAANN MARSHALL DEDMAN (1830-1877)
RICHARD DECABB DEDMAN (1826-1903)
SALLIE DEDMAN (1862-????)

*One can rightly assume there are numerous other
"Family Burial Plots" as it was customary to bury
loved ones on their home place. If anyone has
information on this, please let me know so we can
share with other family members...*

--Leroy

GARY EARL WHITE



Longtime Rome Community businessman, Mr. Gary White, died at 1:03 a.m. Sunday morning May 9, 2021 at his Lebanon Highway home with his family at his bedside. He was under the special care of Avalon Hospice of Lebanon. Mr. White had been diagnosed with thyroid cancer in October of 2020. He was 75.

Two of Mr. White's former ministers, Stan Stevenson and Freddie Clayton, officiated the 1 p.m. Tuesday afternoon May 11th funeral services from the Rome Church of Christ. Mr. White was a member of the Rome Church of Christ, serving as church treasurer for many years. Burial followed near his parents in the Wilson County Memorial Park.

The only child, he was born Gary Earl White on June 18, 1945 and was the son of the late John Earl White who died December 1, 1964 at the age of 56 and Ivey Lucille Lawrence White who died July 28, 1967 at the age of 52.

Mr. White was a 1963 graduate of Smith County High School where he served on the "Owls" football team all four years and was co-captain both his junior and senior years, was a member of the "C" Club and also served as class president both his junior and senior year. He was selected by his class mates as Mr. S.C.H.S. and it was said of him in his annual that he was polite, neat and charming. While at S.C.H.S. he was a member of the student council, Spanish Club, and Black and Gold Staff all his senior year.

He followed in his father's footsteps operating the then Earl White Service Station in the Rome Community and after his Father's death, the name was later changed to the Gary White Service Station. Before his retirement in 2002 and turning the reins over to his son Stacy, he had operated the business for over forty-four years.

He is survived by his wife, Jimmie Faye Woodard White; their two sons, Tim White and wife Kim of South Carthage, Stacy White and wife Genia Massey White of the Rome Community; six grandchildren, Daniel White of Mount Juliet, Ashley White of the Rome Community, Brittany White and Dr. Meagan Smith and husband Brian all of South Carthage, Matt White and wife Lynsey of Carthage, and Gary Allen White and wife Alexis of the Hiwassee Community; one great-grandchild, Haley White McDonald of South Carthage.

Find a Grave Memorial ID: 226670863

Gary is a descendent of John R. and Susanna Hunt Dedman. (Anna Deadman and James Hall) - (Allen Bethel Hall and Louisa Irwin) - (Lassie Deadman Hall and Eli L. Lawrence) - (Ivy Wilson Lawrence and Lydia Ann Denton) - (Ivy Lucile Lawrence and John Earl White)

BETTY JOYCE DEDMON COLEMAN

Betty Coleman, age 83, passed away on June 11, 2021 at Duke Hospice after a brief illness. She was a native of Lebanon, Tennessee where she lived most of her life until June 2020 when she moved to North Carolina to be close to her daughter.

She was preceded in death by her husband Marvin Thomas Coleman, and parents, Seldon and Mary Woodall Dedman, brothers James Dedman and Bill Dedman. She is survived by her daughter Tammy Krug, son in law Robert Krug, and grandchildren Cole Krug and Kelsey Krug. She is also survived by sisters Mildred Petty, Shirley Robinson, Rosa (Danny) Durham, Jane Vaught, and Lane (Eddie) Reed; Brothers Raymond Dedman, Charles (Betty Jo) Dedman, and Gary (Brenda) Dedman; and sister in law, Earnestine Dedman all of Wilson County. She is survived by several nieces and nephews as well.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Michael J Fox Foundation For Parkinson's Research. The family of Mrs. Betty Joyce Dedman Coleman will receive friends Saturday, June 19 2021 from 12:00p.m. to 1:00 p.m. at Barton's Creek Baptist Church, 1530 Barton's Creek Road, Lebanon.

A memorial service will follow at 1:00 p.m. with Pastor Charles McKnight officiating, followed by a private burial.

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Ruth E. Miley Dedman

Mrs. Ruth E. Dedman died at 11 o'clock Sunday morning at the family residence, 1172 East Olive street. Her death was caused by a complication of diseases with which she had suffered for a year. She was sixty-nine years old. She is survived by her husband. Perry B. Dedman. The body was taken to Winslow, Ind., Monday afternoon for burial Oak Hill Cemetery; Winslow, Pike County, Indiana.

Mrs Dedman had no children of her own but she leaves four adopted children that she raised from infancy. The family had lived in Decatur less than a year coming from Oakland City, Ind.

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BERLA JANE DEDMON



Berla Jane Glasscock Dedmon, age 83 of Buchanan, GA, passed away Thursday February 9, 2023. She was born Feb 1, 1940 to the late Berlin Edward and Cynthia Viola Shirley Glasscock in Chickamauga, GA. She was also preceded in death by sister, Sandra Ruth Glasscock Morton; great grandchild, Kynden LeBron Dedmon; sister-in-law, Mary Alice

Glasscock and great-grandson-in-law, Curt Douglas Webb.

Those left to cherish her memory include her husband of 64 years, Leroy Dedmon; son, Gary (Diane Toothman) Dedmon; daughter, Gwen Dedmon (George) Kiley; grandchildren, Carrie (Mark) Webb, Greg (Courtney Terry) Dedmon, Jonathan (Michele Grogan) Dedmon and Sean (Jennifer Lauda) Kiley; great-grandchildren, Cassidy Webb, Masie Webb (Ethan) Lands, Curt Webb, Makayla Webb, Brady Mac Dedmon, Carson Wade Dedmon, Devon Kiley and Bella Kiley; great-great-grandchild, Drake Austin Croley; brother, Edward LeBron (Angie) Glasscock; as well as several nieces, nephews, extended family and many friends.

Having been married to a Gospel Preacher for more than fifty years, Jane had considerable experience in “church work”. The Dedmons served seven churches where Leroy was the “full-time” pulpit preacher. Jane worked in several areas of the educational program and congregations, including coordinator of children’s educational departments, planned, coordinated and supervised VBS programs, taught children’s classes of all ages, taught women’s classes at Manchester, TN, Springfield, TN, Bremen, GA and Woodstock, GA. She has held workshops for adult classes and organized church libraries. She developed several lessons designed for special Women’s Day activities. Among them are: *“Teaching Women’s Classes”*, *“God’s Charm School”*, *“Christian Hospitality”* and *“Wives of Leaders”*.

Visitation will be 11am until 1pm Monday February 13, 2023 at the Ringgold Chapel of Wilson Funeral Home. Funeral Service will follow at 1pm in the funeral home chapel. Bill Dedmon, Larry Acuff and Phillip Gray officiating. Interment will follow at Lakewood Memory Gardens East in Chattanooga. Jonathan Dedmon officiating.

Serving as pallbearers are Greg Dedmon, Curt Webb, Mark Webb, Steve Smith, Craig Dedmon and Brian Dedmon. Honorary pallbearers are Claude Price, Tommy Dedmon, Tommy Gilbert, George Kiley, Jackie Plaster and Malcolm Plaster.

Arrangements entrusted to Wilson Funeral Home Wallis-Stewart Chapel 443 Boynton Drive Ringgold, GA 30736.

Online condolences at www.wilsonfuneralhome.com

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RUSH LANE MILLER



Rush Miller was born to John Ramsey and Susan Jean Dedmon Miller on April 12, 1981 and passed away unexpectedly on 1/28/23. He was preceded in death by his mother. He is survived by his wife, Liz Scotton. son, Rush Styvesant Miller, daughter, Shay Auroa Miller, father, John Ramsey Miller and brothers, Christian Michael David McCarty Miller and Adam Ramsey Miller. Also, several neices and nephews. A memorial and celebration of life for Rush was held Saturday at the event space the downtown warehouse-8 Church St. at 3pm in Concord, NC.

JULINA DEDMAN WILDER

Funeral services were held over the remains of Mrs. Julina Wilder at Union church on Tuesday afternoon, Rev. Godby of Rockport conducting the services. She was a member of the Union M.E. church and was a kind neighbor and loving mother. She was preceded in death by her husband, William Samuel Wilder and parents, John Ellsworth and Cynthia Traylor Dedman and brother Oliver Perry Dedman. She leaves four children - John, Daniel, William and Mrs. John Anderson, besides a sister, Mrs. Menhall and a granddaughter, Bessie Anderson.

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