

# The Dedmon Connection

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(Dedmon, Dedman, Deadman, Deadmon, Dedmond, Dedmond, etc.)



**Leroy Dedmon**

Those who know me well are probably asking, “who is this imposter?”... I know it is hard for me to believe that this is actually the sixth issue of the **CONNECTION** this year, but it is all your fault... When I started this little project back in March 1998, it was intended to be a monthly publication. However, the years 1998-2003 proved to be some of the busiest years of my entire preaching career. The building project at Woodstock which should have been at the most a year’s project is just now being completed after three years. The past six months have been a busy time for me. Not only has my preaching schedule kept me “on the road”, I am having to adjust to the life of “bad bad Leroy (farmer) Brown”... You should see my yard and garden.... Well, this month I will show you my yard, next month my garden....



**THE CACTUS ARE REALLY BEAUTIFUL WHEN THEY ARE ALL IN FULL BLOOM.**



**STANDING ON THE NORTH SIDE OF THE HOUSE AND LOOKING ACROSS THE FRONT YARD. THE HOUSE IS TO THE LEFT..**



**A VIEW WITH MY BACK TO THE HOUSE LOOKING NORTH. STILL THE FRONT YARD.**



**THE PICTURE DOES NOT DO JUSTICE TO THE LITTLE LILY POND. ALL THE ROCKS ACTUALLY CAME OUT OF THE HOLE.**



**FROM ALMOST THE SAME SPOT, BUT LOOKING WEST TOWARD THE MOUNTAIN.**



**PLEASE DON'T ASK ME TO IDENTIFY ALL THE FLOWERS. MAYBE NEXT YEAR...**



**THIS SHOWS THE POND IN RELATION TO THE HOUSE. YOU CAN SEE THE LOG PORTION OF THE HOUSE THROUGH THE**



**WE ARE ON THE SOUTH SIDE WITH OUR BACK TO THE HOUSE, LOOKING EAST.**



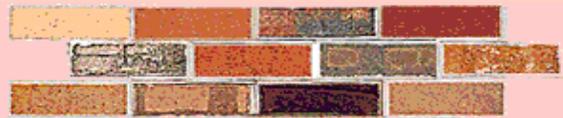
*Send me your old stories or articles relating to the Dedmon Family. Come on!!! Dig into that old shoe box in the closet and bring out the goodies!!!*

All my life I have heard the Dedmons were part Indian. My particular Indian blood supposedly came through Mary Wells, my great grandmother. However, I have never been able to prove it. Since becoming involved in this family research project I have received countless inquiries concerning the Indian connection. It seems that almost every branch of the family has some stories of Indian connection. The article from Tim Dedmon in the next column is just another example of what I am talking about. So let me hear from you and tell me your "Indian Story". Who knows somewhere we may actually find the proof we need. I do know that there are some "Indian" features (dark hair, skin, etc.) among many of the Dedmons, including myself. However, there are other stories that say we are of German and Dutch/German descent. Therefore, there are the traditionally "dutch" features (blond hair, blue eyes, etc.) among many of the Dedmons, including my son, Gary. Maybe there is some truth in all these stories.

All the research shows that we are from England. However, we may have come to England via Germany and Holland. I seem to recall from my History classes that there were folks who left Germany and went to Holland and on to England. At any rate we have some English research that puts us in England in the 1400's.

As to the "Indian Blood", the jury is still out on that one for sure. Some of the stories just have to be true, but that may be hard to prove. Mom tells me (at 92 yrs. I still find her to be the best research source available) that folks were very reluctant to make public the knowledge of marriages and relationships with the Indians. Just a brief glimpse of our frontier history may reveal that to be true. After all, the neighbors didn't take kindly to "consorting with the enemies". Then there was the "take the law into our own hands" groups and also the "hooded" clan (KKK). Well I await your response. Surely, somebody has some "facts" and nothing but the "facts"... (Joe Friday..).

## THE BRICK WALL



*I have discovered at least five major Deadman branches that we have been unable to connect. If you have information on any of the Deadman family branches, please submit.*

**From:** tdedmon@netzero.net  
[mailto:tdedmon@netzero.net]

**To:** gldedmon@alltel.net

**Subject:** Re: Rebecca Mc

Leroy,

Thanks for thinking about me, I copied this and several other obituaries from the Chattanooga Library a while back. Rebecca wore an Indian coat that had Blackfoot written on its back. My family always thought she was a full blooded Indian. I was always proud to be part Indian. I almost never wear a jacket in the winter, and when people would ask me where my jacket was, I tell them I am part Indian and the other part crazy. After finding Rebecca's family in Athens, McMinn County, Tennessee from the Census, and posting it on my Family Tree, one of the McElhaney descendents contacted me and told me Rebecca was not an Indian, and none of her brothers or sisters were Indian. So after being a proud Indian for fifty years, when people ask me where my jacket is now, I tell them I'm just crazy. cuz, ***Tim, join the club, but don't give up hope, there may still be some Indian blood in them veins. I suspect somewhere there are some family members with the proof needed.... Rebecca's obit is on page 8 of this issue.... Leroy***

***I found this email in one of the earlier issues of the CONNECTION. I reprinted it here as it relates to the "Indian Heritage".***

**Larry Gene Dedmon**

E-Mail: Doclgd711@aol.com

Location: Northern Idaho

Comments: I am the third son of four boys. My father's name was Arthur Lee Dedmon, Mother was Ethel Berniece Burns Dedmon. Dad was from the Heavner, Oklahoma area and I think they were married in Ft. Smith Arkansas. I have a lot of info on the Dedmon Family from Cherokee heritage as far back as Chief Seminol in Florida.

## 'Big Brother' Secret's Out: O Half-Sister, Where Art Thou?

(CBS - Thursday, July 08 09:22 PM)

*(I don't know how all this came about as I am not a fan of this show. I did watch a portion of this program. It is still not clear to me as to how they both were selected to be on the show and it seems that CBS somehow knew all about this. Letters from their dad support this.)*



**Jennifer  
Dedmon**  
San Antonio, TX  
Restaurant Hostess

21

Single

**Michael  
Ellis**  
Durant, OK  
Security Officer  
23  
Engaged



## CAT'S OUT OF THE BAG

(taken from CBS website: )

In the summer's first nomination ceremony, first HoH Jase nominates Mike and Jennifer for eviction. But before the ceremony, Michael decides to reveal that Jennifer, a.k.a. Nakomis, is his half-sister. Pulling Jase and Scott aside, he lets them in on his secret, recounting how he put the pieces together: the father's name, the tour in Vietnam, the foot blown off. The initial reactions are shock and disbelief. Initially, Jase is stunned, saying, "I'm just tripping out of my mind." Then he thinks he's being gamed, adding, "I have a problem with the timing." Scott, too, is skeptical: "I didn't believe it." ..... Without hemming and hawing, Michael just puts it out there: "We have the same father." She sums it up in her own unique way, "If that's so, that is a trip."

*(I received two emails regarding the "Big Brother" program, from Carole Thomason and Glenda Tucker. I am including the portion of Carole's letter that pertains to the show. I will publish her letter in its entirety in August.)*

**From:** Carole [mailto:carolet@xtn.net]

**Subject:** note of interest (maybe)

Hi, Leroy, ... The real reason I'm writing is to let you know that some cousins of ours are on TV - two of the contestants (Michael & Jennifer) on this summer's Big Brother 5 program on CBS are children of Arthur Guy Dedmon (son of William Burton Dedmon), who is mentioned on your webpage at <http://www.dedmon.org/html/d0007/g0000000.html#I04842>. Apparently Michael & Jennifer are half brother & sister, and did not know of each other's existence before coming onto the show (that's the DNA connection that CBS has been heavily advertising).

They were both born in Houston, Texas (they revealed on tonight's show), and Michael's mother moved her children to Oklahoma, while Jennifer's Mom (and Dad, too, I think) moved to San Antonio, Texas. Tonight's episode showed Michael figuring it out after she spelled her last name for him "D-E-D-M-O-N", but he didn't immediately tell Jennifer about their connection. Of course, these are taped shows, not live, so I'm sure he's actually told her by now. I can't wait to see Thursday's episode!

I've figured out that they are my 7th cousins, but you would be of closer relation to them (I think you'd be 2nd cousin to their father, Arthur Guy).

Isn't it a small world?? --- Carole

**From:** Glenda Tucker

[mailto:MomofKGS@aol.com]

**Subject:** Check out CBS.COM

Leroy.....I'm sure someone has told you about the TV show and the fact that two Dedmons were on the show last week. They did not know they were brother and sister. This site explains it. Let me know if you think they are cousins of ours. Also I cannot find your Homepage. I do get as far as the page of your church. Thought you had retired??? Glenda

*(If my information is correct, their father is Arthur Guy Dedmon II. His father was Roy Lane Dedmon and his father was William Burton Dedmon. William's grandfather was my great grandfather, William D. Dedmon. William D's father was William the brother of Thomas, Glenda's ancestor.... Carole connects back at Rebecca Deadman, the daughter of Edmond Deadman. Thanks to Carole and Glenda for keeping me informed.. Go and do thou likewise...)*

## From the Mail Bag



**From: Danny McBee**  
[mailto:McBee49@aol.com]  
**To: gldedmon@alltel.net**  
**Re: DEDMON CONNECTION**

Leroy, as always, you have done a great job with the newsletter. I enjoyed reading the eight pages. Our quest from the beginning was to learn more about our Deadman/Dedmon/Deadmon/Dedmond/Dedman ancestry and our cousins of the like name. We have certainly done that these last many years since Rad Dedmon shared with us some original Dedmon Connection articles. I really thank you for your efforts and at any time I will open my files to anyone needing information or willing to share information with us on our Dedmon ancestry and heritage. I appreciate all you do and all that our fellow cousins are doing to find out more about us Dedmon descendants. My Dedmond connections are slowly but surely dying off. I have two Dedmond aunts left and that will be it as far as my line goes back [but not forward]. Their names are Gussie Dedmond Enloe and Agnes Rebecca Falls. They are 96 and 82 years old respectively. I hope all of our cousins will continue to help us break down every brick wall that needs breaking down and continue to share information with us. May God Bless. Also, a belated July 4th to all of my cousins.. Danny Albert McBee, son of the late Dorothy (Dorthea) Dedmond McBee.



***Danny has been one of the most “faithful” supporters of our research project from the beginning. I really plan to meet him in person this summer. I always appreciate his input and kind comments. He is shown here with his mother at a very early age.***

## DEDMON DELIVERS

OKLAHOMA CITY — Kristen Dedmon hadn't had an at-bat in more than two weeks. She hadn't driven in a run in a month. The 18-year-old freshman didn't know exactly what she was getting into before delivering the biggest hit of UCLA's season. Dedmon drove in the go-ahead runs with a pinch-hit, two-run single with two outs in the fifth inning yesterday and the Bruins went on to beat California 3-1 for their second straight NCAA Division I softball championship.

The Bruins (47-9) won their 10th national championship and became the first team to win back-to-back titles since Arizona in 1996-97. UCLA beat Cal 1-0 in nine innings to take last year's championship. Dedmon said she had been swinging her bat near the outfield to get ready in case Bruins coach Sue Enquist called on her. When it came time, she threw off her visor, put on a helmet and stepped to the plate, not entirely aware of the pressure. “I didn't know there were two outs,” she said.

Claire Sua, who hit a towering homer to tie the game earlier in the inning, said Dedmon's lack of awareness was for the best. “She honestly didn't have time to think, ‘Oh, no, this is pressure; oh, no, this is a close game,’” Sua said. “She didn't really have time to doubt. As a hitter, you want to have a clear head.”

Cal (53-13) was up 1-0 and pitcher Kelly Anderson (25-9) was perfect through four innings. After giving up Sua's homer, Anderson hit the next batter, Stephanie Ramos, in the back and walked Jodie Legaspi on six pitches before being replaced by Kristina Thorson. Thorson, a sophomore, is a graduate of Shorecrest High School in Shoreline. Dedmon, who hit 191 during the regular season, hit a 1-1 pitch to center that scored runners from second and third.



***Kristen is the daughter of Jeff and Wilma Dedmon. Some of you “old timers” may remember when Jeff pitched for the Atlanta Braves. She is shown here “following in her father's footsteps”.***

**From:** Debra Sigmon  
[mailto:sigsiddy@wnconline.net]  
**To:** minister@mindspring.com  
**Subject:** Jane Blanton

Hello,  
I was just looking at your family tree on Ancestry.com. I am researching the Huskey surname and was looking for information on Louisa Jane Blanton b.1/16/1854 in Rutherfordton NC, parents are listed as Jackson Blanton and Milleva Padgett. This Louisa Jane Blanton was married to my gr. gr. grandfather who disappeared after they had two boys. We don't even know his real name. He is David or Dave Huskey. I am wondering if the Milleva Padgett is Jane Padgett? Louisa Jane went by Jane also. Any help will be greatly appreciated!

Thanks,  
Debra Huskey Sigmon  
[sigsiddy@wnconline.net](mailto:sigsiddy@wnconline.net)

**My reply:**

**From:** Leroy Dedmon  
**To:** Debra Sigmon  
**Subject:** RE: Jane Blanton

It sounds as if my Jane Padget(t) could be the one you are looking for.. do you have more info... I can also send this inquiry to more of our family researchers and also include it in the next newsletter... Do you know about the Padget and Padgett spellings.... Leroy (*her answer is next column*)

## From the Mail Bag

Hello,  
Thank you for answering.  
I don't have anything else.  
I looked in the census records for Rutherford, NC



and found some names. But don't have a clue yet. Here is all that I do know for sure. I just have Louisa Jane Blanton (Jane Huskey my GR. Gr. grandmother) B. 1/16/1854 in Rutherfordton, NC D. 4/16/1928 in Asheville , NC Father: Jackson Blanton Mother: Mileva Padgett. My mother said the record she has could actually say "Minerva Padgett" and was hard to read. Louisa Jane Blanton (Jane) married my Gr. Gr. Grandfather David or Dave Huskey. She is buried in Green Hills cemetery Asheville, NC headstone says : Jane Huskey d. April 17, 1928 age 74 years. She and Dave had two sons James Oscar Huskey b. 10/1/1887 d. 8/13/1973 (my gr.grandfather) William Burnette Huskey b.2/4/1888 d.11/12/1948. They are also buried at Green Hills Cemetery, Asheville. I would appreciate any help greatly. I am definitely a newbie to genealogy! Oh and what is it about the "T or TT"? Thank you,  
Debra Huskey Sigmon <[sigsiddy@wnconline.net](mailto:sigsiddy@wnconline.net)>

*I think I was just asking if there was any information available as to the Padget or Padgett spellings... It is sometimes interesting as to why there are varied spellings to the same surname. Of course the Dedman, Dedmond, Deadman... spellings are good examples of that...*



**From:** Gary Deadmond [cpod0558@lv.rmci.net]  
**Sent:** Friday, June 25, 2004 10:17 PM  
**To:** [gldedmon@alltel.net](mailto:gldedmon@alltel.net)

This is Bluford Deadmond and his wife, Emiline Adams. Bluford, is the fourth child of Thomas Deadmond and Elizabeth Milliron, b. 28 March 1815, d.25 Jan. 1900 in Eugene Oregon. Emiline Adams, (no info on her family), b. 8 March 1822 in Tenn., (no info on her date of death) married 31 Dec 1837 in Marion County Ill. Both buried in Oregon. I can dig up more info if you need it. In fact, I can send you a file on all I have collected if you would like. It is about thirty pages and growing.....Gary

*Thanks Gary, and of course I would love to see the entire file. I appreciate all you do. It's folks like yourself that make this project fun... (Leroy) (Gary in fact, did send me his thirty page and growing file. I have not had time to digest it all, but found it quite interesting. I plan to feature more on Thomas and Elizabeth Milliron Deadman as there is still some mystery surrounding them. It seems that both limbs of our tree claim him. Christopher Deadman researches also have him listed...)*

## From the Mail Bag



Leroy,  
I was just made aware of your site by my son, who was doing a search on our name. I have been looking at some of the information out there about our family and can add some additional information about dates and such. I can also add more info about our next generation as me and both my siblings have children.

I am just beginning to enter into the genealogy databases, and have a lot to learn about it all! It looks to me like we share the lineage from William D Dedmon back, but I go forward through Thomas William Dedmon. My grandfather was Arthur Lee Dedmon, and my father is Theodore (Ted) Arthur Dedmon.

Incidentally, my son's name is Jesse Dedmon. It was nice to see that it is also a family name, although I did not know it was at the time.

Probably the best place to e-mail me at is home at k.dedmon@attbi.com  
Thanks for your time!

Kibby C. Dedmon, KCD  
Fred Meyer, Inc  
Reconciliation Specialist  
**kdedmon@fredmeyer.com**

*In the words of our kinsman and Dedmon(d) researcher Danny McBee, "we will find all the Dedmons... one at a time". Thanks Kibby for contacting me and I am awaiting more information regarding your immediate family. I don't know how the genealogy program calculates it, but we are kin a dozen different ways. Our closest connection is half-2nd cousin twice removed (whatever that means) Then we also are 13th cousins.. ...Leroy*

**From:** Terry Smallwood  
[mailto:Genpatton1944@aol.com]  
**To:** gldedmon@alltel.net  
**Subject:** Re: dedmon

Hello Rev. Dedmon,  
It is so nice to hear from you . No. 19 would be Joseph Maxwell Smallwood , my father, and son of Joseph Greenberry and Mary Maud (Hogue) Smallwood. I have got the copy made of Laura and I am sorry I have not sent it to you yet. I will sure get it to you , I have just been very sick the last few months. Everything else you have got down there is excellent on the Dedmon's. Have you ever heard of the Smallwood's and Mapp's before? I will also let you know when Thomas W. Dedmon first moved to Trion, he is mentioned in an old article in Chattooga County.

Your Distant Cousin,  
Terry Smallwood

***Thanks Terry, I am looking forward to receiving the picture of Laura and the information of Thomas moving to Trion. I have been to the graves of Thomas and Janie at the cemetery in Trion...***

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From: smeatharpe  
alan.j.nicholls@btinternet.com  
To: Dedmon@yahooogroups.com  
**Subject: [Dedmon] deadman family history**  
Hi I'm looking for info on the ancestors of Sarah Ann Deadman who was born 1870 in Aston, Birmingham, daughter of George Deadman. She married Charles Georege Revell 1892 at Hammersmith. Her father George married to Ann Smith, 1869 in Bradfield, Berkshire and was a locomotive fireman in 1881. Any info on the family greatly appreciated.  
Alan

From: Mary  
[mailto:bionic01@sprynet.com]  
To: minister@mindspring.com  
Subject: Pauline Norman

Hi..  
Just browsing.... are you from one of Pauline's children?? She married Hood Watterson ??? Am looking around for maybe as to who James Robert Norman's father is ??? and grandfather ??? Thanks,  
Mary Ruth (Norman)Thomas

***My reply:***

***Good to hear from you, but I don't have info on the Normans except for Pauline and James Robert... I am not a descendant of them as the Watterson connection comes through the Griggs, via Cecilia Victoria Dedmon..***

***Her answer:***

From: "Mary"  
<bionic01@sprynet.com>  
To: Leroy Dedmon  
<minister@mindspring.com>  
Subject:Pauline Norman  
Good Evening Leroy!  
Thanks for the reply. I am not connected to these lines, but was helping another person - Fred Bowen on his Norman lines from the Cleveland Co., N.C. lines. My Norman lines are from Cross Keys, Union Co., S.C. Since Fred is so connected - he could probably help you more so than I can. But will keep in touch ! Thanks a lot  
Mary Ruth

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### FROM THE GUEST BOOK

Name: Richard & Patty Dedmon  
Email:dedmonprop@aol.com  
Comments: My husband's dad is Don Dedmon and his dad was Glen Dedmon. We are from San Diego County CA.

## From the Mail Bag



From: "Leroy"  
<gldedmon@alltel.net>  
To: <eudica@hotmail.com>  
Subject: diggin in ga

Hi, I just applied to the Diggin in Georgia Webring. At one time I was the Ringmaster, but I guess my inactivity caused that to be removed from me. That is ok, I was given that against my best judgment and for that reason I am glad someone has it who can keep it current. I look forward to working with you in the future... thanks, Leroy Dedmon

From: Gia D [mailto:eudica@hotmail.com]  
Sent: Wednesday, November 19, 2003 9:58 PM  
To: gldedmon@alltel.net  
Subject: Re: diggin in ga

Hi Leroy!

Glad to have you back. I 'm sorry about them taking your ring, I really didn't know that you were unaware of what they were doing. I thought you had to let them know that you were giving the ring up before they would put it up for adoption. I would be happy to share the management if you would like.

You have a great website! I notice that we have a lot of surnames in common. We may just end up related in some way! \*smile\* I will check some of your names with my files when I have the time. I do have 9th greatgrand parents Charles Grymes and Katherine Dedman from Gloucester, Virginia married about 1658. I am descended from their son John Grymes.

Best Regards,  
Glenda

*I don't mind not being the webmaster for the Digging in Georgia Webring. It was very time consuming and I certainly did not do a good job. It was good also to hear form the Grymes-Dedman connection. I have seen that name often and had no information on it at all. Now at least we have a contact for that "limb" on the old family tree.. Thanks Glenda... --Leroy*

From: Helen Morrison  
[mailto:hmhans22134@aol.com]  
To: minister@mindspring.com  
Subject: Dedmon

Hello.

Just finished visiting your website. GREAT. I have been in contact with Floyd Dedmon in Terrell Texas. I descend from Ferguson, Coleman's son James Quiller Ferguson. Believe you descend from James Older brother John Luther Ferguson.

Noticed you live in Woodstock, Ga. Coleman Ferguson and his wife Lucretta Bonner Ferguson is buried at Holly Springs. One of the Ferguson decendents lives in Woodstock. Her name is Sandra Lamb. Her husband is Roger Lamb. Believe she is a Nurse Practioner.

Have found another connection to the Dedmon family who lives in Temple, Texas. Small world. Found his family in Wilkes Co N.C. living in the same community with Coleman Ferguson/Mary Proffitt. My sister and I visited Wilkes Co N.C. in August. Was a thrill to find connections. Never did I dream that the KEELINGS would be connected to the DEDMON/ FERGUSON family. Keelings connect through the YOUNG family and from Mary Elizabeth Dedmon who married Samuel Hardister.

Thanks for your wonderful web site and all the hard work and research. I am most grateful for all of this work you have contributed.

I go to Morganton N.C. each year in August for a MORRISON reunion. I am Morrison. My husband's family is FERGUSON. When/where is DEDMON reunion?

THANKS AGAIN.  
Helen Morrison Hanson  
Temple, Texas

*Thanks Helen for the information and I apologize for not answering sooner, but with the move and retirement, I have really gotten behind in answering all my email... As far as I know there is a Dedmon reunion in NC in August each year. I have not heard for anyone yet, but hopefully will get the details soon.... --Leroy*

## DEATH NOTICES

*(Some of the obits in this issue date back a couple of years, but I am including them anyway as they contain a wealth of info.... Leroy)*

### Demetti Marie Dedmon

*Shawnee, Oklahoma  
Friday, May 17, 2002*

Demetti M. Dedmon, 94, of Shawnee died Tuesday in a local nursing home. She was born 6-23-07, in Mangum, the daughter of Orville Winfield and Rosie Elizabeth (Curtis) Jacobs. Dedmon was a homemaker and a nursing home cook. She came to Shawnee in 1927 from Abilene, Texas. She lived in Shawnee for 58 years and in Byars for 17 years.



She married Jerry M. Johnson on Sept. 7, 1923, in Tonapah, N.Y. After her first husband died, she married **Rabin Dedmon** on Nov. 15, 1967. She was a member of Liberty Baptist Church and the American Association of Retired Persons. Dedmon was preceded in death by her parents; both husbands; six brothers and sisters; two daughters, Dorothy Johnson Bryce and Frances Johnson Hill; a son, Fred Johnson; and two grandsons, Clifford C. Chyz and Jerry James Hart. Survivors include a son, Phillip E. Johnson of Shawnee; a daughter, Elsa M. Chyz of Shawnee; a son and daughter-in-law, J.D. and Ina Johnson of Shawnee; two brothers and sisters-in-law, Jack and Jean Jacobs of Oklahoma City and Calvin and Patsy Jacobs of Shawnee; 14 grandchildren; 27 great-grandchildren; six great-great grandchildren; and many cousins and friends.

A service will be 11 a.m. Saturday at Roesch-Walker Funeral Chapel with the Rev. Bill Matthews officiating assisted by the Rev. Phil Thompson. Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery.

[http://www.news-star.com/stories/051702/obi\\_50.shtml](http://www.news-star.com/stories/051702/obi_50.shtml)

### Rebecca Ellen McElhaney Dedmon

**(See article from Tim Dedmon on page 2)**

DEDMON – MRS. REBECCA, age 84, passed away at her residence, Cherokee Boulevard, early Sunday morning. Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. George Cain and Mrs. Porter Godsey; three sons, Ed and Tom Dedmon and John Isabell; brother, Charlie McElhaney, all of Chattanooga; also survived by 17 grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren. Funeral services conducted by the Revs. W. T. McMahan and W. R. Houser, will be held from the Calvary Baptist Church Monday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Interment will be in Chattanooga Memorial Park. Pallbearers, active, will be the following nephews: Robert Dudley Talley, Wallace Miller, Roy L. McElhaney, Robert R. McElhaney, Elwood McElhaney and Charles J. McElhaney. Honorary, Andy Houser, Capt. Ed Ricketts, Leslie Runion, Johnnie Walker, Ralph Willimas, Ira Brewer, Sanford Brown, A. O. Pierce, George Schroder, R. L. Taylor, Jack Bennett, Bill Neelby, Fred Polk, Tom Harris, J. T. Hoodenpyle, Murrell Phipps, Everett Rogers, Alex Rogers, Harry Brown, Lee Vandergriff, Luke Hixson, Max Hartman, Ed Hartman, Louis Williams and W. D. Gaston. The remains are at the National Funeral Home and will remain there until the hour of service. The Chattanooga Times, Monday, December 23, 1946. Note: Daughter of Thomas Nolan & Sarah Jane (Frank) McElhaney. Wife of Robert Isbell & William J. Deadmon.

### Paul Dedmon

**The Joplin Globe**

GROVE, Okla. ... Paul Dolphus Dedmon, 79, died at 5 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 2, 1996, at Grove General Hospital after a short illness. Mr. Dedmon was born March 15, 1917, at Waldron, Ark. He moved to Grove in 1982 from the state of California. He was retired from the investment business in California. He was a member of the Masonic Lodge. He married Loy Caudill on May 14, 1960, at Carson City, Nev. She survives. Additional survivors include a sister, Ruth Smedley, Orinda, Calif. Services will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday at Worley-Luginbuel Funeral Home, Grove. The Rev. John E. Butler will officiate. Burial will be in Olympus Cemetery.