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# THE DEDMON Connection

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**BE FRUITFUL, AND MULTIPLY, AND REPLENISH THE EARTH**  
*Man has been doing this from the beginning of time. As the saying goes, gain some, lose some. It seems there are more death announcements, than birth. This is because I do not receive many announcements of our newborn and they are not published as freely on the internet as obituaries. However, when I get the information, I publish it.*

## GREAT GRANDCHILD NUMBER 6 IS NOW PRESENT AND ACCOUNTED FOR (OR IS IT 8?)

Carson Wade Dedmon arrived on June 28, 2014, just one day after I celebrated my 75th birthday. He is the second child of my youngest grandson, Jonathan Dedmon. Jonathan, of course, is my only son, Gary's youngest son. We were not able to be there when he was born and circumstances kept us away until the first week of October. But it was a joy to hold the little bundle of joy when we finally got there.



Jonathan and his wife Michelle are now the parents of two, Brady Mac and Carson Wade. These are the first two boys with the Dedmon surname in that generation of my father's lineage. So maybe the name will continue for at least another

generation. Mama Jane gets in on the action with Carson, Brady and Jonathan. It is still hard to believe sometimes that Jonathan has these two precious boys as it does not seem that long ago when he was their age. With the addition of Carson, we now claim eight great grandchildren. Although, three of them are actually considered "step", we just don't consider that to matter. In fact, I don't even like that word. I never really knew my grandfathers as dad's father died when I was six years old and mother's father died when she was seven. Grandmother remarried to Olan Vess and he was the only "granddaddy I really knew. He had about thirty grandkids, but ten of us were "step", but we would have never known it, if we had not been told. He treated us all alike.



YOURS TRULY WITH CARSON AND BRADY

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When I began dating Jane (who is now my wife of almost 56 years), I also met her family. One could not have found a better family with whom to visit, especially at meal times. I found myself eating most of my Sunday dinners and several “suppers” through the week. The Glasscock family became my family.

Jane’s father was an elder at the Chattanooga Valley Church of Christ. I began attending there in my junior year of high school and became a member the next spring a couple of months before graduation in 1957. Her father was a great encouragement to me as a young man as well as many of the members, young and old alike at the church we often refer to as home or “The Valley”. Jane and I married on April 5, 1959 and moved to Huntsville, AL. in June, where I was employed at the Redstone Arsenal by the Chrysler Corporation as a design draftsman on the NASA project of the Saturn Missile. Her father passed away at the age of 50 on May 27, 1961. In the fall of 1961 her mother moved to Henderson, TN and became a “Dorm Mother” at Freed-Hardeman University. She passed away on my birthday in the summer of 1972 at the age of 57.

She was a wonderful mother-in-law and all who knew her loved and respected her. I recently saw these comments about her on Facebook by some who lived in her dorm. *“She was my dorm mother in 1970-1971. I learned the true meaning of mercy at her feet. I loved her so much.” ... “I was in Brigance Hall in 1967 and 1968. Sister Glasscock was my dorm mother. She was a wonderful dorm mother and loved each of us girls, just like we loved her. I’m happy you got to be her son-in-law” ... “I remember her well, and fondly”*

Jane has a brother, Edward Lebron Glasscock and a sister, Sandra Ruth Glasscock Morton. Ed is the youngest of the three children, but he and I became pretty good friends and built a “go cart” as a joint project. We later traded the cart for a 22 rifle and by then Jane and I were getting pretty serious about matrimony and I forgot about the rifle and turned my thoughts to other things. In fact, I had not thought the rifle until I wrote this article. Ed entered the Army as soon as he was of age, around seventeen, I think. After two years serving Uncle Sam, he married Mary Hayes and they had two girls, Cynthia Lea and

Cheryl Lynn. Mary passed away in 1979 and Ed and the girls moved in with us for several years. He is now married to Angie Sawyer and lives in Carrollton, GA. not far from where we are now living. Cyndi and Cheri also live in this area.

Jane’s sister, Ruth, who was slightly younger than Jane, was often the life of the party and a lot of fun to be around. I have always said I was her favorite brother in law. Of course, that is true and maybe her most disliked brother in law. In fact, I am her only brother in law as Jane is her only sister and she married an only child, Mickey Morton. I have always kidded and joked a lot with her. She is a very good sport. Mickey and Ruth had two children, Sandra Kay and Michael. Their marriage, sadly, ended in divorce several years ago. For about ten years, Ruth lived here in the Buchanan area and worked for Gwen (my daughter) at **“Gwen’s Family Resturant”**. Due to failing health she has moved to Florida to be near her daughter.

I was privileged to conduct the wedding ceremony for Ruth’s daughter, Sandra Kay when she married Tim Sholar in 1981 following Kay’s graduation from Harding University as a nurse. They presently live in Niceville, FL. They have two children, Stephen Lee and Elaine Marie Sholar, which brings us to the reason for the article. Pictured here is Ruth with her granddaughter, Elain and her new baby, Piper Allyn, who of course is

Ruth’s great granddaughter.



**ENTER THEODORE LOCKAVITCH MILLER**

Adam Ramsey and Jessica Lockavitch Miller became the proud parents of their second child, Theodore Lockavitch Miller on November 29, 2014. Jessica and Adam live in Concord, NC where he is the owner of his own business, Da Vin Tee. You can read more about his venture at: <http://www.Davintee.com>

Adam and Jessica’s wedding was featured in Volume 74 of the **DEDMON CONNECTION**, page 5. On July 28, 2012, they became parents when their first child, Adam Ramsey Miller II, made



**RAMSEY AND THEODORE**

his presence known to this world. He is shown to the left with his new brother. Adam is the grandson of Roy Lane and Allie Pearl Dees Dedmon. Roy’s family was featured in Volume 77 of the newsletter. Adam attended Delta State University in Mississippi for two years before transferring to UNCC in Charlotte, NC. Jessica is the daughter of Joe and Angela Lockavitch, of Concord, NC. She graduated in 2010 from Meredith College in Raleigh, NC, with a degree in art with a Studio Arts major and an Arts Management minor.



**PROUD PAPPA ADMIRING HIS NEW SON**

The elated grandparents, John Ramsey and Susan Dedmon Miller now have eight grandchildren. Their two other sons, Christian and Rush, are responsible for their other six grandchildren, Alexa, Eli, Max, Sasha, Rush and Shay. John is a published author of about a dozen suspense thriller books and also works with Adam in the T-Shirt business. Susan is a multi talented cousin of mine, who manages the household, raises a garden, and sometimes travels with her sisters. In her spare time she works for Wells Fargo Bank in Charolette, NC. Susan’s family was discovered very early in my research project to find my roots and they have become great friends as well as cousins. She and her two sisters, Judy and Liz, recently stopped for a brief visit with Jane and myself here in Buchanan on their way to Texas, with a stop in Louisana for celebration of U.B. Simoneaux’s, a maternal cousin of theirs, 93rd birthday, which occured on Halloween..

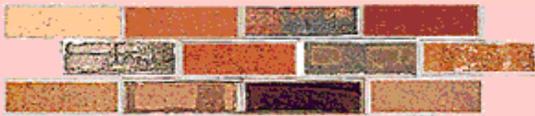


**ADAM AND JESSICA**



**SUSAN AND JOHN**

## THE BRICK WALL



*I have discovered at least five major Deadman branches that we have not been able to connect. If you have information on any of the Deadman family branches, please submit.*

Among the difficulties I have found in researching the Dedmon surname is the varied spellings. I think all the researchers agree the spelling when we arrived in America was D-E-A-D-M-A-N. Of course, when we go back to England it changes again. You can go to <http://www.dedmon.org/dedmonhistory.html>, for more information on our surname.

One thing is certain, the way it is spelled does not necessarily indicate whether or not we are kin. I have found in looking at the documents sent to me, or those I have found several instances where the parents and sibblings spelled their name differently. In fact, the first record we have of the spelling D-E-D-M-O-N, was Mark Dedmon. His father is Deadman and all his sibblings is shown to be Deadman except one sister which is Dedman. Also, there are situations where the birth record is spelled differently that the information on tombstones. In fact, this is also true in many families. My maternal grandfather grandfather was born George Dickson, but his tombstone has George Dixon. As a side note he was also a Dedmon descendent as his grandmother was Mary Hannah Dedmon. Somehow this makes me kin to myself. According to Family Tree Maker, I am my fourth cousin and my 3rd cousin once removed.

I mentioned the above to indicate in trying to locate specific individuals we have to check all the possible spellings. Of course, there are other obstacles presented in the case of divorces and remarriages, etc..

Recently, in researching the Texas Dedmons through FindAgrave.com, I ran across Charles C. Dedmon, born in Texas on June 17, 1875. He died on June 10, 1928 and is buried in the Pecan Grove Cemetery, McKinney (Collin County, TX). His parents were listed as unknown and his occupation was barber. He had three children (maybe more), whose names were: Carol Burton Dedmon, Era T. Dedmon and Kathlyn Dedmon. His wife was Salle "Gertrude" Apple, born in Smith County, TN on January 17, 1879. Her being from Smith County, TN makes me wonder if perhaps his father was also from Smith County. The "woods are full" of Dedmon, Deadman, Dedman and Deadmon families in Smith County and the surrounding area.

Gertrude's mother was a Timberlake and there are other connections in the family with the Timberlake family. One such connection is Robert Dedman, married to Elizabeth V. Timberlake. This connection is in Virginia.

Now back to Charles C. Dedmon. His son, Carol "Burton" Dedmon, Sr. was born Nov. 28, 1897 and I presume in Texas. He died on May 27, 1977 in Dallas, Texas and is buried in the Restland Memorial Park in Dallas. Burton married Laura Lee House, the daughter of Frances Deliah Kirk and George Washington House. Burton and Laura had at least two children, a son and daughter. Their daughter, Doris Dedmon, was born in 1926 (see her obituary on page 4) and I have no information on their son, except he is listed as preceding Doris in death in her obituary. Since Burton is listed as Sr. I feel it would be safe to say the son was Carol Burton Dedmon, Jr. Of course, there is a strong possibility there were other children. Buried in the same cemetery is Patsy Ruth Clark Dedmon (see her obituary in Volume 85). She was married to James E. Dedmon, Sr. and it appears age wise he would probably have been a son of Burton and Laura. However, this would just be guessing. Her son, James was listed as preceding her in death, but there are some Dedmon survivors in 2010 and just maybe some of them will read this newsletter and contact me.

Charles C. and Gertrude Dedmon had at least two other children. An infant, Era T. Dedmon was born in 1900 and died in 1903. She is buried beside her parents in Pecan Grove Cemetery. This note is listed at FindAgrave.com, ***Although marker indicates first name was Era, the obituary in the Fort Worth Record on Nov. 25, 1903 lists child as "Eva"***.

Their other daughter, Kathlyn Dedmon was born on Dec. 5, 1907 and died Oct. 14, 1990. She was buried in the Sparkman Hillcrest Memorial Park (Also known as: Hillcrest Mausoleum & Memorial Park, Hillcrest Memorial Park) in Dallas, TX. She married Leroy Herschel Luckey and no children are listed. There is a Lisa Luckey buried with them who was born in 1964 and died rather young in 1974. She is listed as the daughter of Raymond Luckey. Raymond could have been the son of Kathlyn and Leroy.

If anyone has information on this family, please contact me at [leroydedmon@gmail.com](mailto:leroydedmon@gmail.com) and maybe we can determine the parents of Charles C. Dedmon as well as other family members connected with these kindred.

## OBITUARIES

*I realize many of the obituaries I publish are several years old, but the information is valuable. Also, I do not edit them unless I see an obvious mistake. If you have copies of family obituaries not published, please send to me. You can check the published obituaries by clicking on the obituary link from the main menu page. (LD)*

### DORIS DEDMON McBRIDE

Doris Dedmon McBride passed away peacefully at the Denton Rehabilitation and Nursing Center on December 26, 2010 with her family at her side.

She was born in Dallas, TX to Burton and Laura Dedmon on June 10, 1926. She worked as a teacher's aide for Rockwall Independent School District, retiring in January, 1992.

She is preceded in death by her parents, a brother, and one son, Donald R. Bornman, Jr. She is survived by three children and their spouses: Laura and Bryan Waddle, Jeffrey and Beth Bornman, and Galyn and John Lyles. She is also survived by two grandchildren, which were the light of her life, Andrew Patrick Waddle and Morgan Mai Lyles.

The family wishes to express their sincere gratitude to the staff of Accolade Hospice, Accolade Home Care, and Denton Rehabilitation and Nursing Center for the care and support of their mother over the past year. Also, sincere thanks to Jack Manes for his ministry to her and the family during this time. Private graveside services will be held at Restland Memorial Park, Dallas. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the charity of your choice.

### WILLIAM GORDON DEDMON JR

William Gordon Dedmon, age 85, passed away September 6, 2014 at Alvin C York Medical Center. He was a native of Smith County, TN and lived in Murfreesboro, TN the past forty years. William served in the United States Navy and worked as a tool and die machinist at Alcon in Murfreesboro.

William was preceded in death by his parents William Gordon and Luke Dedmon and Alma Vernell and Robert Dunn; and wife, Anna Jo Sauls Dedmon. He is survived by his son, William "Ricky" Sydney Dedmon of Clarksville, Charles Wayne Dedmon of Alabama; daughters, Billie Ann Dedmon Wooten of Murfreesboro, Joyce Sauls of Murfreesboro; brothers, Kenneth Dedmon of Nashville, John Dedmon of Mt Juliet; nine grandchildren; ten great-grandchildren; and one great-great grandchild.

A memorial graveside service will be Saturday, September 13, 2014, 10:00 AM at Boyd Cemetery.

Jennings & Ayers  
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Murfreesboro, TN 37130  
615-893-2422.

Leave online condolences at  
[www.jenningsandayers.com](http://www.jenningsandayers.com)

### ALTON R. SMITH

Funeral services for Alton R. Smith, 95, will be held Sunday Sept. 21, 2014 at 3:30 P.M. at the Friendship Funeral Home with Richard McCaskill officiating and burial to follow in Bellevernon Cemetery. Mr. Smith died Friday, Sept. 12, 2014 at Regency Retirement in Jackson. He was born in Monroe, LA son of the late Harvey R. and Lillie Brasfield Smith and had lived in the Friendship Community for the past 88 years where he was a landowner and farmer. He was the widower of Mary Miller York Smith and attended the Friendship Church of Christ and was a veteran of the U.S. Navy serving in WWII.

He is survived by a son, Richard Smith (Cindy), Lubbock, TX, three daughters, Carolyn Smith, Maury City, TN, **Judy Dedmon** (Robert) Manchester, TN, Linda Yarbrough, Jackson, TN, a brother, Leland Smith, Mt. Juliet, TN, grandchildren, Regina Ferrell, Craig, Smith, Allison Parker, Marianne Dedmon, Mitchell Smith, Brandon Yarbrough, Rachel Raab, Morgan Smith, **Kenneth Dedmon, Jennifer Dedmon** and 8 great grandchildren.

In addition to his parents and wife he was preceded by a daughter, Marilyn Ferrell and a brother Dwight Smith.

Pallbearers will be Craig Smith, Kenneth Dedmon, Mitchell Smith, Brandon Yarbrough, Morgan Smith and Tommy Smith. Honorary pallbearers will be Grant Smith, Matthew Smith, Charlie Rogers and Gerald Rogers. Visitation will be at the Friendship Funeral Home Saturday, Sept 20, 2014 3-8 P.M.

### CYNTHIA LOU DEDMON

Cynthia Lou Dedmon was the infant daughter of Roy Lane and Pearl Dees Dedmon. She was born a "blue" baby and only lived a few days. Of course, the technology in 1950 was not as advanced as it today and most of them died in their infancy.



## CATHERINE PAULINE DEDMON FREIS

Aug. 14, 1959 ~ Nov. 2, 2014



Our beloved "Kitty" passed away Sunday morning in her home in Vallejo, CA. She was a loving grandmother, mother, sister, a dear friend, and she could warm an entire room with her laughter and child-like spirit. Kitty was born in Tai Pei, Taiwan, the daughter of J.W. and Maureen Estelle Dedmon.

She adopted her nickname as a baby as her brothers thought that their parents were keeping a kitten in the crib where she made "meowing" sounds. She considered herself an "army brat" and spent her early years living on an army base in Colorado along with her brothers. She later moved to Concord, CA, and it was here that she met who would become her closest and life long friends.

While she was in High School she met David Meiland Hansen and shortly after High School they were married. They had two children together, Steven and Jennifer, and lived together in small yellow house in Benicia, CA, filled with love, music and joy. Although their marriage did not last she found love again when she met and married Robin Alan Freis and they spent many years together as husband and wife.

Those who knew Kitty might describe her as having an unquenchable thirst for life. She was spontaneous and would come to your side at a phone calls notice. She enjoyed spending time with her close friends, her kids, and she absolutely adored her grandchildren. She recently purchased her first home in Vallejo, CA and was in the process of organizing her new place when she passed. She was so proud to have something that she could call her own and she might boastfully say as you walked through her door, "Did you see my new home yet... what do you think?" all the while trying to contain a widening smile as her eyes followed your gaze around her new place.

Kitty is survived by her son, Steven Hansen daughter-in-law (Amanda); daughter, Jennifer Christie son-in-law (Pete); four grandchildren, Lily, Miles, Alaina, and Madison; brother Mike Dedmon (Cia); brother John Dedmon (Karleen); brother Pat Dedmon (Socorro). She follows her parents, J.W. and Maureen, into heaven and will be reunited with her brother Cliff, whom she has missed for many years.

A service will be held at Memory Gardens, 2011 Arnold Industrial Way, Concord, CA on Friday November 14th @ 2:00 P.M. We invite friends and family to join us and we thank you for being a part of her beautiful life. Published in Contra Costa Times on Nov. 8, 2014 - See more at: <http://www.legacy.com/obituaries/contracostatimes/obituary.aspx?pid=173087732#sthash.ElErXuj.dpuf>

## J W DEDMON

Resident of Concord Sgt. Major J.W. Dedmon, Ret. U.S. Army. A native of Canute, OK, and longtime resident of Concord, passed away Friday in Concord, CA at the age of 75 years. His career in the U.S. Army spanned 23 years; serving during the Korean and Vietnam Wars. He was an Operations Manager with American Protective Services for over 15 years, he enjoyed the outdoors and spending time with his family and friends. He was an avid coin collector and loved walking. Preceded in death by his mother, Winnie Christian; father, Cliff Christian; brothers, Gerald, Daniel and Ray Dedmon; and son, Cliff Dedmon. He is survived by his loving wife of over 50 years, Maureen Dedmon; sons, Michael (Cia), John (Karleen), and Pat (Socorro); daughter, Kitty Freis; 9 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren.

## MAUREEN ESTELLE DEDMON

Maureen E. Dedmon, age 71, passed away on Tuesday, July 8, 2008, at John Muir Medical Center in Concord, CA. Maureen was born June 25, 1937, one of three children of John and Margaret Maguire, and has resided the past 39 years in Concord. She had worked as a kitchen designer for Sears in Concord for 18 years before her retirement, but her true passion in life was being a loving wife and mother. She also enjoyed knitting and loved playing the piano. She was preceded in death by her loving husband of 52 years, Sgt. Major J.W. Dedmon on May 18, 2007. Maureen will be deeply missed by her loving children, Mike Dedmon (Cia) of Middleton, CA, Kitty Freis of Concord, CA, John Dedmon (Karleen) of Covington, WA, and by Pat Dedmon (Socorro) of Oakley; by her beloved mother, Margaret Maguire of Concord, CA; by her loving brother Jack Maguire of Tennessee; by her loving sister Patricia Tongue of Rhode Island; by nine adoring grandchildren; and three adored great-grandchildren.

**Contra Costa Times (Walnut Creek, CA)  
July 12, 2008**

*(As you can tell all three of these are father, mother and daughter. I certainly would like to have more information on J.W.'s family)*  
-- Leroy

## JIMMY WILSON DEDMON



Jimmy Wilson Dedmon, 63 of Calvert City, Kentucky died on Tuesday, April 29, 2014, at Baptist Health in Paducah, Kentucky. He was retired from the Plumbers and Steamfitters Local 184 in Paducah. He was a member of the American Legion and served his country in the Army Reserve. He was born on Saturday, February 10, 1951 in Smith Co., Tennessee. He was the son of the late Leonard Dedmon.

Surviving are his mother, Jackie (Wilson) Dedmon of Gilbertsville, KY; wife, Caroline (Baker) Dedmon of Calvert City, KY; sons, Tyler Dedmon of Smithland, KY and Joshua Whaley of Northport, FL, daughter, Kristen Ellenberger of Benton, KY, sisters, Mary Jayne Choate of Eddyville, KY and Linda Kay Dunn of Gilbertsville, KY; and 4 grand children: Gage and Cole Dedmon of Smithland, KY and Hunter and Kinley Ellenberger of Benton, KY.

He was preceded in death by his father, and son, Bobby Dedmon. A Funeral service will be at 11:00 AM on Friday, May 2, 2014 at Collier Funeral Chapel located at 211 West 5th St. Benton, Kentucky 42025 with the Rev. Johnnie Davis officiating. Interment will follow in Marshall Co. Memory Gardens, Benton, KY.

Visitation will be held between the hours of 5:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. on Thursday, May 1, 2014 at Collier Funeral Home. Memorial contributions may be given to the American Legion, 2047 Ridge Rd., Gilbertsville, KY 42044.

## RYAN SCOTT DEDMON



Ryan Dedmon, 37 years of age, passed from this life on May 17, 2014, as a result of an accidental head injury sustained from a fall in his parent's home. Ryan was raised in Carrollton, Texas and was a graduate of Newman Smith High School where he played football and was active in the Drama Department.

He is preceded in death by his mother, Patricia Wiens Dedmon and his grandparents on both sides of his family. He is survived by his wife, Brittany Neidert Dedmon of Carrollton, Texas, father, Stan Dedmon of Carrollton, Texas, two brothers, Bryan Dedmon and family of Wichita Falls, Texas and Kevin Dedmon and family of Houston, Texas, three nieces, three nephews and one grand niece. He is also survived by several uncles and aunts and several cousins, all of whom he cherished throughout his life.

Ryan was an independent contractor in the computer hardware and software design and installation industry and lived his entire life in Carrollton, Texas. A Memorial Service is to be held at The North Dallas Funeral Home, 2710 Valley View Lane, Dallas, Texas at 1:30 PM on Saturday June 14, 2014. The family requests that in lieu of flowers contributions be made to The American Cancer Society.

## SUE CASSIDY DEDMON



Mildred Sue Cassidy Dedmon, age 86, of Chattanooga, passed away Friday, August 15, 2014 at her home. She was the daughter of the late Albert C. and Helen Crowe Cassidy and was a lifelong resident of Chattanooga.

Sue was a graduate of the Chattanooga High School and Edmondson School of Business and retired in 1992 from First Tennessee Bank as a Vice President and Trust Officer following 34 years of service.

Her grandson, Jared Levi Dedmon preceded her in death. She is survived by her son and daughter-in-law, Richard H. and Deborah Dedmon; granddaughter, Nicole Dedmon Lubbe of Chattanooga. A graveside service will be held Wednesday, August 20, 2014 at 1:00 p.m. at Hamilton Memorial Gardens.

There will be no visitation at the funeral home. Memorial contributions may be made to the Shriners Hospital, Memphis, TN at [www.shrinershospitalforchildren.org](http://www.shrinershospitalforchildren.org).

Arrangements are by the North Chapel of Chattanooga Funeral Home, Crematory & Florist, 5401 Highway 153, Hixson, Tennessee 37343

*I remember as a kid, going to the bank with dad in Rossville and Sue was the one who always waited on us. I don't think at the time we knew exactly how we were related, but we figured it out later.*

## FRANCES OLIVIA DEDMON

Graveside services for Frances Olivia Dedmon, 91, of Monroe, LA will be held at 11:00 AM Monday, January 30, 2012, at Stoneville Cemetery, Stoneville, MS, with Dr. Larry Stafford officiating. Services are under the direction of Mulhearn Funeral Home, Sterlington Road, Monroe.

Mrs. Dedmon passed away after a long illness on January 26, 2012. She was born to Thomas Burton Mosley and Ruby Lee Mosley on June 23, 1920 in Arcola, MS.

Mrs. Dedmon was preceded in death by her parents, sister, Monnie Nunnery; brothers, Robert "Bob" and Sherman "Bubba"; and son, Charles W. "Chuck" Dedmon, Jr.

Survivors include her husband of 69 years, Charles; sister, Jean Lewilyn, (Lew); brother, Thomas Burton Mosley, Jr. (Jewell); brother-in-law, Harry Dedmon (Wanda); daughter-in-law, Gloria J. Dedmon; granddaughter, Melanie Dedmon; and numerous other relatives. Any memorials may be made to The First United Methodist Church on Loop Road or the Black Bayou Wildlife Refuge.

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Mulhearn Funeral Home, Sterlington Rd, Monroe, LA

## WILLIAM AND IVA RAWLINGS DEDMON

Iva Rawlings Dedmon was born in Van Zandt County, Texas in 1910. She was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Rawlings. She had two sisters, Ethel Rawlings Taylor and Myrtle Rawlings Rowan. She was employed for many years by Neiman Marcus. She married William Alexander Dedmon, who was born in Mississippi in 1903, the son of Alexander Hardin and Rena Elizabeth Collum Dedmon. He moved to Oklahoma as a child and lived there until he was a young man, before moving to Van Zan County, Texas. He was well known to the people of the area and of his era, known to most people simply as Willie. For several years, in addition to farming, he also served as the community barber, working out of the Phalba store in the 1930's. In 1948, he and Iva moved to Dallas, living in the Pleasant Grove area of that city. For many years, he worked for and retired from the City of Dallas Parks Department. William and Iva did not have children.

*(William and Iva are second cousins and share the same great grandfather, William D. Dedmon. His grandfather and my grandfather were brothers.)*



## CHARLES WILLIAM DEDMON, SR.

Graveside services for Charles William Dedmon, Sr., 90, of Monroe, will be held at 1:00 PM Monday, October 1, 2012, with Dr. Larry Stafford officiating. Services are under the direction of Mulhearn Funeral Home, Sterlington Road, Monroe. LA



Mr. Dedmon passed away Thursday, September 27, 2012, at St. Francis Medical Center. He owned a furniture and appliance store in Arcola, MS. Mr. Dedmon first served as alderman then was elected Mayor of Arcola, MS from 1956 until retiring in 1986. He was a U. S. Army veteran where he saw action in WWII, then was called to active duty in the Korean Conflict.

Mr. Dedmon was preceded in death by his parents, L. M. and Hattie Miley Dedmon; brothers, L.H. and James; sisters, Lillie Mae Rossen and Waudell Billings; son, Chuck; and wife, Frances.

Survivors include his granddaughter, Melanie; daughter-in-law, Gloria; brother, Harry and wife Wanda; and numerous nieces, nephews, and cousins.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the First United Methodist Church, 3900 Loop Road, Monroe, LA 71201.

*Charles' obituary was published in Volume 80, but this one contains more information, so I am listing it again. I also published his son Chuck's obituary in Volume 75, but did not have the picture, so for those interested, here it is. Also, if you have or know someone who has information on the parents of Charles Sr., L. M. and Hattie Miley Dedmon. please let me know. Charles, Frances and Chuck are buried at the Stoneville - Leland Cemetery in Stoneville (Washington County), MS. In fact these are the only three Dedmon graves I could find in Mississippi. I know there are others, but I have no easy way to find them since I am not living in Mississippi. I am positive there are cemetery books available for that state, so maybe someone will be able to locate more information on this family.*



CHUCK DEDMON  
(OBIT VOL 75)