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THE DIFFICULTY OF FAMILY RESEARCH

In some ways the computer has made family research easier. When I first began, you had to leave home and go to places like the library, research centers, etc. and sometimes spend countless hours looking at micro film and thumbing through books. Much care and research was given to prove the relationship of those you found. Needless to say, the number of researchers were few in those days. I admit, I came on the scene just as computers were introduced to the project. However, in those days we used the computer to correspond and share what we had found. I remember how exciting it was to get an email with information.

Folks like Jim Dedmon, of Fresno, CA, Danny McBee, of Gastonia, NC and Jackie Dedman, of Tarpon Spings, FL, unselfishly shared with me the results of their years of diligent research. Others, like Gordon Black, of Ringgold, GA and John Henson, of Chattanooga, TN, who didn't have computers at the time resorted to the old fashion, telephone. I went to Gordon's home and spent hours going over material he had collected through the years. He even found a promissory note from my father to his in the purchase of a wagon. We were not sure if it had been paid, but assumed it had. Gordon was related through the Dedmon, Dickson, Black Capehart and Templeton families. He sent me home with a box full of stuff with the promise of return in two days. (That was precious stuff in that box) I stayed up most of two nights running the copier with no time to stop and read, although tempted. At that time I was living in Woodstock, GA, two hours from Ringgold. Although, I had never met Gordon, I knew by name he was a cousin of my father, but did not know how. I found that his great grandmother was a half sister to my grandfather. (To us researchers, that is close kin!) We became friends and when his wife passed away, he called me to speak at her funeral. Gordon spent his last days in a nursing home in Dalton, GA.

As the computer became more popular, I learned how to create a web page, which I did, Dedmon.org. We did not have facebook in those days, but there were several instant messengers, which allowed us to find family members and exchange information. Jackie Dedman, had published a publication called the "*Dedman Connection*" a few years back prior to the advent of the computer. She mailed me most of the issues she published and encouraged me to begin the online version, called "*The Dedmon Connection*", which I did. The first issue was posted online in March, 1988, consisting all of two pages. The response was overwhelming, with encouragement to continue. It is difficult for me to believe at times that I have, with this issue, published 92 volumes, with volumes 93, 94 and 95 almost completed. The number of pages began to increase until about volume 20 when it became 8 pages. I was thinking the other day as to how much longer I may continue and wondering if someone of the younger generation would take it over when I give it up. We do have another family newsletter published by Brenda Putnam Bridges at <http://familylobby.com/dedmon>. She also sends out email notices.

Once I created Dedmon.org, I began hearing from family members around the world. Phone calls and emails were received almost daily as folks were discovering the web site. It seems one of the first things folks did when they purchased a computer was to search their surname. I you type in Dedmon, my website usually shows up within ten searches. Also, genealogy websites such as Ancestry.com were developed and as my cousin, Tim Dedmon, said recently, they take our work and charge others to see it. It also seems with the ease of research, the need for accuracy has diminished somewhat. For example, today I was searching on Samuel Dedman, born in 1720. He has eluded us thus far as to his parents, but I thought I found them on Ancestry.com. There it was on someones family tree, *the father of Samuel, b. 1720 was Phillip Dedman, b. 1720... Oh, well....*



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

I have just learned recently the old house that I called home for about ten years. and thought of it as “the old home place” all of my life, must be torn down. the existence of black mold and termites is just too much for the 150 year old dwelling. It has also been suggested the presence of mold may have been at the root of all my problems a couple of years ago. All the Emory Clinic doctors were willing to confirm was that I had some kind of viral infection in my right ear.

My great great grandfather, John Marion Dickson is said to have built the log portion of the house around 1870-75. Mother said her father added the second phase of the house which consisted of another room and porch across the front. This was constructed of “rough sawmill lumber”. I have never been told who actually built the “lean to” kitchen and back porch, but mother was pretty sure her father built the porch and felt fairly certain her grandfather built the kitchen.

That was the way I remembered the house when I would visit my Gilbert cousins during the mid 50’s. I am not sure how long they lived there, but I guess about 20 years. The house and 80 acres belonged to my mother and her sister, Edna. I have never been quite sure how that came about, but have always assumed it was inherited from their father, George Hickman Dickson, who died when the two girls were quite young. I do know that mother was born in the house in 1912 and although she did not live there the entire 96 years, she was living there when she passed away in 2008.

Aunt Edna married around 1935 and very possibly began “house keeping” in that house about that time. I was born near there in 1939 as we were living in my grandmother’s house. We then moved into another house on the property, but am not sure who and when that house was built. I remember we tore it down during the late 50’s, but we had not lived there for several years. Dad decided he did not want to farm and got a job in Chattanooga and we moved closer to “town” when I was around three years old.

Aunt Edna moved from the house around 1956 and it remained vacant for about ten years. When dad retired he and mother moved into it and began remodeling. They brought it to the present configuration about 50 years ago.



Cheryl Dedmon Miller has achieved 15 years of distinguished service with FTC Transportation. Congratulations, Cheryl! Cheryl is the daughter of Floyd Dedmon (1936-2005) Many of you will remember Floyd for his contributions to the DEDMON CONNECTION. (See Volume 43) -Leroy



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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.

This page of the newsletter is used to help locate those "loose ends" (no pun intended in reference to the Dedmon family members) in our family tree. I have found several Dedmons at FindAgrave.com with no information to allow me to attach them to the tree. I am hoping some of the family will read this and provide us with information. - Leroy

In Volume 89, I listed the family of Richard Dedmon who was born Nov. 23, 1845 in Alabama and died Oct. 24, 1905 in Texas. He is buried in the Harmony Cemetery, Grimes County, Texas. He was married to Elizabeth Todd Dedmon, born Feb. 28, 1856 in Texas and died Apr. 4, 1928 in Houston, Harris County, Texas.

As it turns out this Richard was the son of John A. Dedman and Adaline Vaughn who were married in Madison County, Alabama and had nine children, among which was Richard. The information I have shows John and Adaline both died in Texas, but I have been unable to locate their burial sites.

This connects this family group to the Christopher Deadman line, which is one of the two major lines of the Deadman/Dedman/Dedmon family. The other, of course is the Charles Deadman line, from which I descend. There is still a strong possibility these two lines connect as they both come from Suffolk, England. We have just been unable to locate the parents of Christopher.

The change of spelling of the surname Dedmon/Dedman is very common and in fact sometimes is simply recorded wrong on birth/death certificates. I have found close family members who went by the name Dedmon and yet even on their tombstones spelled Dedman. A case in point is Arthur Dedmon, the son of son of Isaac Crate and M E Capehart Dedmon. On the findAgrave listing the spelling of both is Dedman. (Find A Grave Memorial# 47226869)

In researching you have to resort to all the possible spellings to locate the person for whom you are searching. This is also true of the other variations.

Mr. Dedmon, My name is Bruce Rives. I am doing research on my mother's side of the family up the Simmons – Smith – Day – King and Dedman lines in Graves co, KY and Weakley Co. TN. My great-great-grandmother was Dora Catherine (King) Day b. 6-7-1865, married to Richard Harvey Day of Lynnville, Graves County KY.

When starting to research this line, I was given some information that Dora's parents were James King and Catherine Deadman. The King, Day and Wade families in Graves co. were closely related and married in several branches. Unfortunately there are no records of a Catherine Dedman or Catherin King anywhere near Graves co. at the time. The information I was given about Dora's mother may be incorrect. If I had not been given the name Catherine from what I have found I might think that Mary R. Dedman was Dora's mother by James King before her marriage to John Wade. In 1870 Dora King at age 5 was the only child living with John G. Wade and Mary R. (Dedmon) Wade. In 1880 Dora was living with a Burton family in Lynnville. On the 1900 census Dora listed her father's birthplace as Virginia, her birthplace as Tennessee and her mother's birth place as Kentucky. Her father was named as Jim King on her death certificate. There are two James Kings at Lynnville that could have been her father.

I saw from the files you posted that Mary R. Dedman did have a cousin named Catherine Jane Dedman. I also saw a file for her posted elsewhere that gave a death date of 1872. Do you have any information on that Catherin Dedman? Or any other information that may show a marriage between one of the Dedman women in this branch to a King?

Your file shows, John R. DEDMAN married to his niece Lenora Ann DEDMAN. Is this an error? This would make Lenora Ann both Mary R. Deadman's mother and cousin. Lenora Ann DEDMAN shows up in Graves County KY married to Madison Johns along with Mary R. and several of Mary's brothers and sisters. Mary eventually marries John G. Wade and Dora King at age 5 lives with them in 1870. Catherine Jane Deadman is shown in your file as Lenora Ann's sister. This has to be the branch, we just need to sort it out a little. Thank you for your time, Bruce

I am sorry for the delay in posting this, but was hoping to find the answers to Bruce's questions. This is a difficult branch of the family to sort out. There are so many with same names, etc. Also, the spelling of the surname is interchanged between Deadman and Dedman often. I am hoping some of you have answers. -Leroy

MORE BRICK WALL



PATTERSON DEDMAN

Tennessee State Marriages, 1780-2002

Name: Patterson Deadman-Spouse: Elizabeth F Washer

Marriage Date: 8 Feb 1865, Marriage County: Smith

Birth Date: 10 Dec 1839, Birth Place: Tennessee

Death Date: 23 Nov 1919, Death Place: Alexander,

Dekalb County, Tennessee, Cemetery: Dedman Family

Burial Date: 24 Nov 1919, Gender: Male, Race: White

Marital Status: Married, Occupation: Farmer

Father's Name: Johathan Deadman,

Father's Birth Place: Tennessee

Mother's name: Elizabeth Webeter

Mother's Birth Place: Tennessee

Informant: Henry Dedman

The above information is listed at findagrave.com, **Memorial# 131693776**. The problem I have is that in the family connection, Elizabeth F. Washer is listed as Patterson's mother, but they have her birth listed as Mar. 27, 1809 and death Aug. 4, 1889. But the information from Henry Dedman shows his mother to be Elizabeth Webeter (actually it should be Webster). The Birth and death dates given for Elizabeth Washer are the same dates given elsewhere for Elizabeth Webster. So I think we would be safe to assume they just got the name wrong, but everything else is correct.

Further research does show Jonathan Deadman (Dedman), b. Jan. 1, 1808 - d. Mar. 1, 1890 married Elizabeth Webster, b. Mar 27, 1809 - d. Aug 01, 1889. There were seven children born to this union, maybe more: Matthew, Mary, Adelaide, Patterson, Elizabeth, William and Jonathan Jr. Patterson Dedman married Elizabeth Washer on February 08, 1865. She was born about 1847 and died about 1935. Patterson died on November 23, 1919. It is possible Elizabeth remarried and would account for our not finding her grave.

There remains some confusion as to the parents and grandparents of of Jonathan Dedman (Deadman) (Dedmon). Since there are so many variations of spelling, I will use Dedman since that is how it is spelled on his cemetery record.

The first explanation I will explore is that his parents are Jonathan Dedman and Susan Hunt. This may be true, but the mystery of the parents of this Jonathan is

still unsettled. The prevailing thought is he is the son of Mark Dedmon and Hannah Bailey. My first concern of this is that he was supposedly born around 1779 and Mark and Hannah were married on November 07, 1785. This would mean he was born six years before they married. Of course, I can't deny that could happen. Also, Hannah was born June 24, 1765, which would make her around 13 years old. That too, falls into the realm of possibility.

The answer given by some is that Jonathan was born to Mark by a previous marriage. However, there is no proof of this. The early researchers found no evidence of this. It was a strong supposition of one of our researchers and once it was mentioned on the internet, it began to spread. My good friend and cousin, the late Danny McBee, posted this in 2000:

"Apparently, John Deadman is listed in the Smith County, Tennessee Census in 1850. Wife Susan Hunt is listed in the 1880 Smith Co., Census as being 98 years old. I, Danny A. McBee, am not sure that John Deadman is the son of Mark Deadman. I am linking him as the son of Mark, as this is the only possible link that can be made at this time. [Danny A. McBee, January 31, 2000]. He was married to Susanna Hunt (daughter of Gersham Hunt and Unknown). Susanna Hunt was born about 1792. John Deadman and Susanna Hunt had the following children: Ann Deadman. Cinthia Deadman. John Deadman Jr. and Jonathan Dedman".

Here is another article I found concerning Jonathan and Susan. I found it interesting in that the spelling here is D-E-D-M-O-N. As far as we know Mark, was the first to spell our surname this way. Also, the birth date, here is listed as 1786, which is after Mark and Hannah married. However, I have not been able to find documentation to support this.

"John Dedmon Sr. was born about 1786 in North Carolina. He married Susan Hunt, also born in North Carolina, in about 1804. It is unknown to me where they were married, but prior to starting a family, the couple migrated to Smith County, Tennessee. To this union, at least four children were born. John Dedmon Jr. was born in 1806, followed by Jonathan, in about 1808. Daughters Cynthia and Matilda followed. The girls both married Amonett
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men, either brothers or cousins. All four siblings spent the majority of their lives in Tennessee. John Sr. is buried in the Amonett Family Cemetery in Buffalo, Smith County. He died in January, 1860 of apoplexy (stroke) His occupation had been that of a farmer. Susan Hunt Dedmon lived to be nearly one hundred years of age. Smith County Lines: Smith County was formed in 1799. Over the years it changed in size. In 1805 it was reduced in size to 625 square miles. In 1842, the northern portion became part of Macon County. Finally, in 1870 part of Smith County became Trousdale County.

I was not able to locate the Amonett Family Cemetery in Buffalo, Smith County in findagrave.com. However, I did find it at Roots web, but none of the names listed above were showing as being buried there. Here is the information: The Amonett Cemetery is located on Buffalo Valley Rd in Putman Co about two miles south of Highway 70 and one half mile from Smith Co line on the old Amonett place. The county line has varied there over the years and the cemetery residents are listed in the 1850 Smith Co census. Also in the Smith County cemetery book. I found the reference Danny made to the 1850 census in Smith County, TN. John Dedman is listed as 72 years old, born in NC, which puts his birth around 1778-79 depending on the month the census was taken. Susan is listed as 64 years old born in NC.

After further search, I did find Matilda Jane Dedmon, (b. Dec., 1819-d. Jul. 15, 1901), buried in Amonett Family Graveyard; Putnam County, TN. (Find A Grave Memorial# 64546698). She married John Harvey Amonett (b. 1820-d. 1895). Ten children are listed to this union, **Francis Marion, Susan, Isaac, William, Thomas, John, James, Elizabeth, Tennessee, and Amanda**. With one of them being Susan, gives some strength to Susan Hunt Dedmon, being her mother. There is also a child named John, but with her husband with the same name it is difficult to assume he may have been named after his grandfather. Also, John Amonett's mother was Susannah.... so I guess that theory is not as strong as I thought it was. On another research site, the wife of John H. Amonett, is Matilda Cynthia Dedmon. So maybe there were not two girls, but "daughters Cynthia and Matilda" are one and the same. However, since her burial record says Matilda Jane, I am staying with two girls, at the present.

Whoever the parents of Jonathan Dedmon are, we are confident they did end up in Smith County, TN. but I am still unable to find their graves. According to the Ancestry.com post, Jonathan is supposed to be buried in the Amonett Family Cemetery, which we know now is located in Putnam County, TN, but he is not listed in any of the cemetery lists, I can find. If we know for sure he is there we can add him at findagrave.com.

Now back to the original question. Is this Jonathan Dedmon, the father of Jonathan Dedman (1808-1890), who is buried in DeKalb County, TN. According to Marianne Deadmon, wife of a descendant and a very diligent and thorough researcher, "Our John was born about 1778 and married Susan Hunt 9 October 1805 in Old Rowan County, NC". This is in agreement with the information I received originally and believe to be correct and I do not believe he was the son of Mark Dedmon and Hannah Bailey. Could he have been the son of Mark by a previous marriage? Mark was 27 years old when he married Hannah, which does allow enough time for Mark to have had another marriage, but there is no documentation to support this.

In some of the recent lists in the member projects there is a John Lane Dedmon listed as a son of Mark and Hannah, which is not found in the original lists. I do know his son Thomas has a son named John Lane. If I remember correctly, there was no child named John or Jonathan in Mark's will.

Tim Dedmon, administrator of the Debenham Surname DNA Project, sent me this: "We have confirmed that John Dedman born 1778 in Rutherford County, North Carolina and died January 30, 1860 in Smith County, Tennessee and married to Susan Hunt was not the son of Mark Dedmon (Revolutionary Soldier). We believe John was taken in at a young age by Mark Dedmon's family and later given his last name". You may view and join his project at: <http://www.familytreedna.com/public/debenham>

So for the present, at least, we still do not know the Father of Jonathan Dedmon, who married Susan Hunt. Many of the Tennessee Dedmons trace their lineage back to Jonathan as well as a group from Alabama and Texas and points beyond. We do not know if they connect to the John Deadman line or the Christopher Dedmon line. Although, these families lived near each other in several places, I have yet to find a marriage between the two.

HAZEL DEDMON

Hazel Dedmon, age 93 of Rockwall, TX, passed away March 3, 2007. She was born September 24, 1913, in Spickard, MO, to Don and Mary Wilson. Mrs. Dedmon taught Spanish and English in Rockwall schools. She attended Lee Junior College in Baytown, TX, and received her Bachelors Degree from Texas State Women's University. She attended the University of the Americas in New Mexico and Texas Christian University while working toward her Master's Degree. Mrs. Dedmon was a member of Retired Teachers, Christian Women's Fellowship, the Exxon Employee Association and First Christian Church in Rockwall.

She is survived by a son: Wayland Dedmon & wife Wanda of Arlington, TX; three sisters: Helen Wellborn of Clarksville, AR, Bobbie Jeniche of Houston, TX, and Jean Robertson & husband George of Houston, TX; six grandchildren: Stewart, Kay, Craig, Shelly, Wendy and Jenny; ten great grandchildren: Patrick, Derek, Jered, Lauren, Andrew, Hailey, Kylee, Chad, Gracie and Sam; and three great-great grandchildren: Alexander, Camden and Kinsley. She was preceded in death by her husband: Jefferson Dedmon; son: Dr. Howard Dedmon; her parents; and two brothers: Russell and Vernon.

Funeral services will be held 11:00am, Wednesday, March 7, 2007, at the old Christian Church, 305 S. Fannin, Rockwall, TX, 75087. Interment will follow at 3:00 pm in Moore Memorial Garden, Arlington, TX. The family will receive friends Tuesday evening at the funeral home from 6:00 to 8:00pm. Memorial contributions may be made to First Christian Church Building Fund, 3375 Ridge Road, Rockwall, TX, 75032.

DAISY QUARLES

Daisy Beatrice Fincher Dedmon Quarles, age 97 of Rocky Face, GA, passed away Thursday, Feb 12th, 2015 in NHC Healthcare Center in Fort Oglethorpe, Georgia.



She was preceded in death by her husbands Paul Dedmon; and Burl Quarles; and son, Jesse Dedmon.

She is survived by her brother and sister-in-law, Lewis and Barbara Fincher; nephew, Marvin Dedmon; daughter-in-law, Glenda Dedmon Cox; and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be conducted 2:30 pm Sunday, February 15th 2015 from the chapel of Jones Funeral Home of Tunnel Hill with Rev. Lillard Stringer and Rev. Ronald Guffey officiating. Burial will be in Gordy Memorial Gardens.

The family will receive friends from 5:00 PM until 7:00 PM Saturday, February 14th 2015.

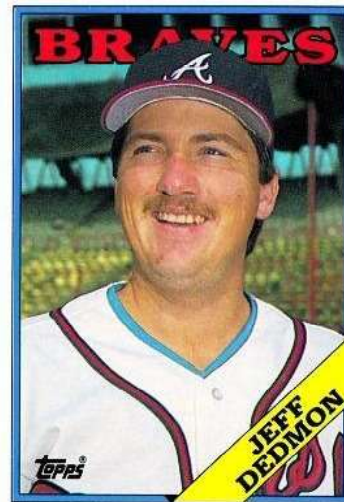
Daisy was married to my uncle, Paul Dedmon, and she was the daughter of Jesse Mills and Susie Erlean Whisenant Fincher. Her brother, Clifton married Linnie Gilbert, the sister of Malen Gilbert, who was married to my mother's sister, Edna. Daisy's sister, Irene, married my uncle Woodrow Dedmon. Therefore my Dedmon cousins were related to the Finchers and my Gilbert cousins. I wondered why I was not related to the Finchers. Aunt Daisy was good to visit mom often and the last time I saw her, she had a niece bring her by to see Jane and I.

ERNEST DEDMON, JR



Ernest, the son of Ernest Sr. and Rosetta Dedmon, was born August 7, 1925 in Kansas City, Missouri and passed away peacefully on Sunday, March 30, 2014 in Yorba Linda, California. He was preceded in death by Elsie, his wife of 41 years. Ernest is survived by his five children, Karen (Ronald) Fliss, Sharon (Michael) Mc Farland, Debra Dedmon, Jeffrey (Wilma) Dedmon and Laura (Greg) Dedmon; his sister, Frances McKinney; 8 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren.

Ernie was the father of Jeff Dedmon, who played with the Atlanta Braves. Although, I only lived an hour away from Atlanta and fully intended to meet Jeff while he played there, but I never did. What I really wanted was a #49 Jersey with DEDMON across the back. I guess I could order one, but it wouldn't be the same.



TALMADGE CARL DEDMON



SHELBY, NC – Talmadge Carl Dedmon, 86, passed away March 21, 2015, at the Hospice House in Kings Mountain. Born Nov. 2, 1928, he was the son of the late F.S. Dedmon and Jennie Alexander Dedmon.

A graduate of Waco High School and Mars Hill College; he was formerly employed with Dedmon's Livestock Yard, a family business. He was later the founder and president of Dedmon's Harvestore Systems, Piedmont Harvestore Systems, N/S Carolina Storage and RDJY

Corporation. Working was his passion and he was actively involved in his businesses until his health no longer allowed it. He represented storage solutions in Agricultural, Municipal and Industrial systems in North and South Carolina for 52 years. One of the founders and original directors of Carolina State Bank of Shelby, he was later a director of First Charter of Concord (Fifth Third Bank).

He was proud to have a part in naming the Red Cross Building on Fallston Road to honor the memory of his parents, F.S. and Jennie Dedmon. Always interested in Cleveland County and education, he was a benefactor of the Center for Cleveland County Schools Early College, as well as the Dover YMCA. He recently chose to honor his wife in the naming of the future women's shelter. He enjoyed baseball and NASCAR, took great pleasure in going to Ocean Isle Beach, as well as spring training in Florida and horseshows in Tennessee. He especially loved spending time with his grandchildren. He was a member of First Baptist Church of Shelby, and the Cal Robertson Bible Class.

In addition to his parents, he is preceded in death by his two brothers, Bill Dedmon and Gene Dedmon; and brother-in-law, Lowell Shive. He is survived by his wife of 64 years, Doris Spangler Dedmon. They planned to celebrate their 65th anniversary in April. Survivors include his daughter, June Dedmon Yarboro and husband, Ed; son, Richard Dedmon and wife, Jan, all of Shelby. He was known by "PaPaw" to his grandchildren: Will Dedmon and wife, Leigh Ervin and Molly Dedmon of Charlotte; Bonnie Yarboro and Stephanie Yarboro of Raleigh; and his great-grandson, Pless Dedmon of Charlotte. In addition, his sisters, Clara Lee Dedmon Shive of Greenville, S.C. and Dr. Rachel Dedmon of Pawley's Island, S.C.; sisters-in-law, Betty Dedmon and Joan Dedmon of Shelby; and a number of cousins, nieces and nephews.

The burial will be held at 11 a.m., on Tuesday, March 24, 2015, at Rose Hill Memorial Park, and a celebration of life service at First Baptist Church on Tuesday, March 24, at 2 p.m., with Rev. Tony Tench and Dr. Robert Canoy conducting the service. The family will receive friends after the service in the Dover activities building.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to First Baptist Church of Shelby, 120 N. Lafayette St., or to the local Red Cross, 1333 Fallston Rd., Shelby. The family appreciates the compassionate care of the Hospice and Carolina HealthCare System-Cleveland staff. Cecil M. Burton Funeral Home and Crematory is serving the family. (Find A Grave Memorial# 143996914)

MARGARET HOLT



Margaret Louise Dedmond Holt, 90, died Monday, March 14, 2011, at White Oak Manor in Spartanburg, SC. Mrs. Holt was born April 23, 1920, in High Shoals Township, Rutherford County, NC. She was one of 12 children of the late Thomas Watson Dedmond and Susan Cantrell Dedmond.

Survivors include a daughter, Jill H. Gilpatrick of Chesnee; a son, Thomas R. Holt and wife Lynne of Spartanburg; four grandchildren, Amy G. Taylor and husband Tony of Boiling Springs, Laura K. Gilpatrick and Jessica M. Holt, both of Boiling Springs, and Nicholas P. Holt and wife Laura of Columbia, one great-grandchild, Ivan Taylor of Boiling Springs; a brother, Haley Cantrell Dedmond and wife Elizabeth of Lawndale, NC; and numerous nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her husband, Robert Earl Holt of Spartanburg, January, 1985; and a son-in-law, Michael William Gilpatrick, died September, 2002.

A graveside service will be held at 11:00 AM Thursday, March 17, 2011 at Greenlawn Memorial Gardens, the Rev. Lee Roper officiating. Floyd's North Church Street Chapel

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(Find A Grave Memorial # 66995521)

TIMOTHY ALAN DEDMAN



The best player on our team has been traded. After being drafted on October 2, 1975 and completing 29 years of service for the Earthly team, Timothy Alan Dedman is now playing for the Lord's team. Tim's love of sports and recreation was a central theme throughout his life. He enjoyed sharing his love of sports with any who would listen. Tim loved camaraderie and teamwork, laughing and teasing. He enjoyed family and friends. He liked to help people and share his heart. His zest for life was evident in everything he did.

His crossover from earth to heaven occurred at home, in Montgomery, TX at 8:30 pm on Saturday, July 23, 2005 after his heroic battle against leukemia. Tim was surrounded by his family and went peacefully in his sleep, just as he had requested from hospice. He smiled and laughed up to his last 24 hours with us. He was able to look over the lake and take in beauty and nature during his final days.

Tim is survived by his wife and high school sweetheart of 10 years, Michelle, his mother, Lois, sister, Lisa Kaminski and husband, nephew Adam, brother Marcus Dedman and wife, nieces Tay and Amber and grandmother, Virdie. Predeceasing him is his father, R.M. Dedman. Tim is also loved by his family in marriage but more so in heart, Philip and Valerie Judd, Jacob and Heather.

So many words can describe him: sweet, nice, gentle, patient, kind, joyful, laughing, helpful, comic, playful, strong, athletic, outdoorsman, protector, and loving. Tim gave a little of each of those to everyone he let into his life. He filled so many roles at once, husband, son, brother, son-in-law and brother-in-law, uncle, nephew, grandchild and friend. Tim loved his family and friends and was saddened to have to leave them behind, but requested of each that they continue on and live life to the fullest.

Tim graduated from Stratford High School in Houston in 1995, attended Lamar University in Beaumont and has spent the past 8 years working for UPS. He had a strong work ethic and always tried to do the right thing. He was an avid sports fan and loved his weekend games with the guys. Tim always offered a helping hand and tried to never burn any bridges. He encompassed everything that made up a good man.

Tim carried his faith in Jesus and God with him daily through his struggles with leukemia. He questioned why now but never why me. From the day of his diagnosis he said "God has a plan for me and when it's my time, it's my time." God worked many amazing things through Tim's suffering. He reached many people with his story and faith. Tim has led a great life if you consider that the measure of a great life is the uplifting influence felt by those who are touched by that life. He will forever be in our hearts.

Visitation will be held Friday, July 29, 2005 6:00PM until 9:00PM at Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home, Montgomery, Texas. Funeral services will be held Saturday, July 30, 2005 in the Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home Chapel at 10:00AM, in Montgomery, Texas. Interment will be in the New Cemetery, Montgomery, Texas directly after the service under the direction of Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home. Pallbearers will be honored friends: David Lee, DJ McDaniel, Chris Crowley, Lyndon McDaniel, Terry Mullins, and Damien Sickenger. - (Peter McCrae)

SHIRLEY MAE TEMPLETON



Shirley Mae Templeton, 77, of Rossville, GA died Saturday, Jan. 17, 2015 in a local hospital. She was a lifelong resident of North Georgia, and attended Immanuel Baptist Church.

She is survived by her loving husband of 58 years: Wayne Templeton, Rossville; and two daughters: Tamara (David) Lowery, Ringgold and Kerri (Joe) Elkins, Chattanooga; and two brothers: Robert O. Speer, Trion, Ga and Eldred Speer, Atlanta, GA; and three grandchildren: Megan Lowery, Rachael Lowery, and Kendall Elkins.

Visit www.heritagefh.com to share condolences with the family.

Funeral Services will be held at on 10:00 AM Wednesday at Heritage Funeral Home with Rev. greg Nash and Rev. Billy Lowery officiating. Interment will be in Chattanooga National Cemetery.

The family will receive friends from 5-8 PM Tuesday at Heritage Funeral Home, Battlefield Pky.

Wayne is my second cousin, his father was my grandmother's brother. We grew up visiting and spending nights at each other's homes. I am so sorry of the loss of Shirley.