

GLADNEYS IN AMERICA FAMILY ASSOCIATION

GLADNEYGRAMS...

8TH EDITION

5-11-84 Ltr from MRS. OTTIS H. GREEN (Carmen Gladney Green), 324 Wilson St., Henderson, Tx. 75652:...Please direct to GIA treasurer my Gladney Cemetery check (\$100.00) as annual dues for myself, NADYNE GLADNEY HANCOCK and JUDGE JOSEPH COLLIER GLADNEY of Henderson, Tx., and a new addition for the mailing list, my niece, MRS. MARCIA G. BRYARS (Mrs. John F. Bryars) of San Diego, Ca. Marcia, who was very interested in the family, is the daughter of ALBERT TATUM GLADNEY, JR. who was killed in action in WW-II (father Albert Tatum Gladney listed p.17-GIA, Samuel line). Nadyne will join you with the Russell girls at the reunion. Thank you, Carmen, for your donation for postage also.

** SECRETARY-TREASURER-DIRECTORS...Changes to GIA mailing list:
ADD...No. 206 MRS. MARCIA G. BRYARS, 2823 Nipoma Street, San Diego, Ca. 92106.
CHANGE...No. 106 MRS. OTIS GREEN to MRS. OTTIS H. GREEN.

5-11-84 Ltr from MILTON P. GLADNEY and wife LOIS M. GLADNEY, 24 Watson Dr., Newnan, Ga. 30263...Appreciate so much getting Gladneygram newsletters...keep sending them...\$10.00 annual dues and a donation for postage enclosed...hope to see you at reunion. Thanks, Milton & Lois.

5-11-84 Ltr from MRS. REID IVENS, Rt. 1, Box 75, Loudon, Tn. 37774 (Samuel line, p.27-GIA)...Really do enjoy Gladneygrams...donation enclosed for postage...wish I could be able to attend the reunion...please send me names-addresses of descendants in Tennessee...perhaps someone close is going and I can make connection and go with them...will be visiting son in Baton Rouge, La. next week where I understand some Gladney descendants live. Thank you, Virginia, for your donation and for sending me the Chattanooga address of JULIA JOSEPHINE BORK GLADNEY, widow of Thomas Harold Gladney, p.26-GIA...will send her this Gladneygram edition...perhaps she will send me family info about her 3 sons and 2 daughters. Today, mailed info requested by Virginia.

5-11-84 Ltr from MRS. DAVID BISHOP, 8110 Skillman #1030E, Dallas, Tx. 75231 (nee Mary Elizabeth Meadows d/o Eugenia Gladney Meadows, Richard line, & Rev. Claude Riley Meadows, p.85-GIA)...My sister, MRS. HOWARD LAKE (Vallie Kate Meadows Lake) of Huntsville, Tx. called to tell me how thrilled she was to be put on the GIA mailing list and to receive her first Gladneygrams...am enclosing \$10.00 for her dues, \$5.00 for a Gladney Coat of Arms color reprint which you may mail direct to her, and a donation for Gladneygrams postage...Have been trying to research my Meadows family ancestral lineage using the genealogy department of the Dallas Public Library...would appreciate hearing from anyone with info on the Meadows family (Alabama, Georgia, possibly Virginia)...Am also working to update info on my Gladney family lineage...There is so much to tell about my father REV. CLAUDE RILEY MEADOWS. After his death in 1964 I wrote a book about him "The Steps of a Good Man" with the help of my mother and my brother Claude Riley Meadows, Jr. My father was pastor of the First Baptist Church in Jacksonville, Tx. for 20 years, president of Jacksonville Baptist College during World War II (serving without pay), teacher of homilectics in the Theological Seminary in Jacksonville, former editor of the Baptist Progress, corresponding

secretary of the Baptist Missionary Association, and secretary of the National Baptist Association...I would like to give you one of these books and am mailing it under separate cover...I think it can be found in most Baptist Missionary Assn. church libraries...It was a labor of love, not profit; we donated the proceeds from the sale of the book to the Jacksonville Baptist College. Thank you very much, Mary.

5-11-84 Ltr from MISS GENE GLADNEY, 113 W. Elm St., Phoenix, Az. 85013 (Mary Eugenia Gladney d/o Andrew Gaston Gladney & Mary Alice Gladney, Richard line, p.97-GIA)...Want to thank you for all your work on the Gladneygrams - so interesting and can't believe how many Gladneys you've contacted...I'm a descendant of Richard Gladney & Jane Strong Gladney...shortened my name to Gene a long time ago and have always used that name...my father (born Lincoln Co., Missouri) was a teacher most of his life and was superintendent of an Indian School in Oklahoma for 10 years before moving to Phoenix for his health...Sorry won't be able to attend reunion this year; attended first one in 1976 and again in 1980; enjoyed meeting Mrs. Arnold since she had corresponded with my mother for many years...I want to give you present address of BETTA ALTON about whom you sought info in recent Gladneygram...Betta is my grand niece; she has married and is now MRS. JIM PHILLIPS, 229 Rosewood, Ventura, Ca. 93001... Enclosed is a donation for postage and \$5.00 for a Gladney Coat of Arms color reprint...Enjoy reading my Gladneys In America book purchased in 1968; if you are in it where can I find you? Thank you, Gene, for your donation and helping me locate Betta Alton...you will find my great grandfather who was a great grandson of Samual Gladney-I shown on p.22-GIA as James Gladney, 7th child of William and Sarah Young Gladney; read page 125 also...his old Bible record in my possession shows him as James Hugh Gladney, Sr., b. 4-17-1836 Randolph Co., Ala., d. 3-2-1864 Randolph Co., Ala. just 6 days before my grandfather James Hugh Gladney, Jr. was born. My grandparents came to Hubbard, Tx. from Alabama in 1893. My father was William A. Gladney...I am another William...and so is my son Bill, Jr. in Atlanta. At the 1983 GIA reunion at Winnsboro, S.C. I was proud and pleased to present Mrs. Arnold about 30 family group sheets updating family lineage through 5 generations and about 150 years! Know what happened? They made me a family leader and gave me this job...which I am enjoying!

** SECRETARY-TREASURER-DIRECTORS...Changes to GIA mailing list: RESTORE TO LIST AS NO. 207...MRS. JIM PHILLIPS, 229 Rosewood, Ventura, Ca. 93001...formerly listed as Betta Alton.

5-12-84 Prepared Gladney Coat of Arms color reprints to mail one each to MRS. HOWARD LAKE and MISS GENE GLADNEY.

5-12-84 Ltr from MRS. MELVIN GLADNEY (Gloria Golson Gladney), 1427 Mitchell Rd. NW, Cullman, Al. 35055...The Gladneygram idea is super...please add us to your mailing list. My husband MELVIN EUGENE GLADNEY (s/o William Augustus Gladney & Ethel Fanning Gladney, Samuel line, p.40-GIA) has 4 sisters (Ellen Gladney Moulton, Beatrice Gladney Gilley, Mildred Gladney Horton & Jean Gladney Glover) who are equally grateful for this channel of communication... In 1973 Clifford Alan Gladney, our 13-year old son, died from polyarteritis. He had the personality and character worthy of the Gladney name; yet with his death the name ended for the William

Augustus Gladney line. Nonetheless, I'm delighted to add that the blood lineage continues through our daughter KAREN GLADNEY WELFORD (MRS. TIMOTHY HORACE WELFORD, 47 Eastwood, Alexandria, La. 71301 and her son, 2-year old MATTHEW LEE WELFORD...enclosing \$10.00 dues plus a donation for postage. Thank you, Gloria...will consider your suggestion and discuss with GIA directors.

** SECRETARY-TREASURER-DIRECTORS...Changes to GIA mailing list:
ADD...208. MR. & MRS. MELVIN E. GLADNEY, 1427 Mitchell Road NW, Cullman Alabama 35055.
ADD...209. MRS. TIMOTHY HORACE WELFORD, 47 Eastwood, Alexandria, Louisiana 71301.

5-13-84 HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY to all mothers in the family...though belated, may this day have been an enjoyable one for each of you and may God always hold you in high esteem...your virtue and goodness being more valuable than rubies (read Proverbs 31:10-31).

5-14-84 Mailed \$140.00 dues receipts to GIA treasurer WILLIAM C. GLADNEY, JR., Atlanta...total received to date \$825.00.

5-15-85 Ltr from MRS. J.E. HOOVER, 308 S. Ward, Italy, Tx. 76651 (nee Gladys Elizabeth McWilliams d/o Florence Alta Gladney McWilliams, Richard line, & George McWilliams, p.85-GIA)...Enclosed is \$10.00 for dues and \$5.00 for a Gladney Coat of Arms color reprint...My grandparents were William James Gladney & Elizabeth Harden Gladney (Choctaw Co., Ms.); they had 15 children. My mother Florence, their 2nd child, was born 12-5-1876 and died 6-6-1969. My father, George McWilliams, was born 11-5-1877 and died 1-1-1915...My mother came to work in Lewisville, Tx. where she met and married my father, a Cotton Belt Railway agent, then they moved to Craft, Tx. where he died. I grew up in Hubbard, Tx...I have lived in Italy, Tx. since 1941, a retired teacher who taught 34 years. Thank you so much, Gladys...appreciate update family info above, some of which does't appear in GIA genealogy book.

5-17-84 Phone call from VIRGIL C. GLADNEY, 1365 W. 15th St., Tempe, Arizona 85281 (s/o Adolphus D. Gladney & Eunice Lewis Gladney, Samuel line, p.25-GIA)...Virgil called to volunteer his help in photocopying and mailing Gladneygrams to 20 descendants on GIA list...also gave new address of W.D. GLADNEY (his brother) about whom I sought info due to mail being returned undelivered. Virgil, a 25-year employee of Motorola Corp., and his wife Terry Aguilar Gladney have three children, Phil Gladney (now serving in U.S. Army), Johnny Gladney, and Martha Ann Gladney who is now Mrs. Steve Raether of Chandler, Arizona. Martha's husband Steve is a police detective with 15 years service in the PD of Mesa, Arizona. Virgil requested addition of his mother and his daughter to GIA mailing list. Thank you very much Virgil for calling and volunteering to help distribute Gladneygrams (9th volunteer helper)!

** SECRETARY-TREASURER-DIRECTORS...Changes to GIA mailing list:
96. Change of address...show W.D. GLADNEY as WILLIAM DOUGLAS GLADNEY, 2049 Breckenridge Drive NE, Atlanta, Ga. 30329.
ADD...210. MRS. ADOLPHUS D. GLADNEY, PO Box 393, Wedowee, Al. 36278.
ADD...211. MRS. STEVE RAETHER, 1504 W. Estrella Street, Chandler, Arizona 85224.

5-17-84 Greeting card from REV. J. AUSTIN GLADNEY, Monroe, Ga. enclosing \$10.00 dues for his sister MRS. A. S. WYNN, 110 Mara St.,

Camden, Ga. 30117 (nee Ruth Gladney d/o Earl F. Gladney & Lou Dues Gladney, Samuel line, p.31-GIA)...Rev. Austin expressed appreciation for work being done for the Gladney Family and his hopes that Ruth will be able to go to the reunion. My thanks right back to you Rev. Austin for help you render as No. 1 volunteer helper-mailer... your prayers and mine surely reached our God...we now have nine volunteers...how great He is! Appreciate sentiment expressed in your card.

5-17-84 Ltr from MRS. ADON DUNCAN, Rt. 3, Box 516, 801 Wightman Lane, Rusk, Tx. 75785 (nee Mary Montel Gladney d/o Hewstraight Rufus Gladney & Ella Florence Nelson Gladney, Richard line, p.76-GIA)...You are stimulating interest in the Gladney Reunion with your newsletters... hope to see you in Sardis, Ms...enclosed is check for dues (\$10.00) and a donation for postage. Thank you Montel and Adon...I must say that I'm impatient to depart for Mississippi!

5-18-84 Wrote ltr to VIRGIL C. GLADNEY, Tempe, Az. sending him a list of 20 Gladney descendants to whom he will mail photocopies of Gladneygrams. The 20 are JACOB K. BENNETT, JR. (Ca.), MRS. CHARLES P. BROOKS (Ok.), MRS. MARCIA G. BRYARS (Ca.), MRS. ADOLPHUS D. GLADNEY (Al.), MISS GENE GLADNEY (Az.), MR & MRS MELVIN E. GLADNEY (Al.), W. LOVVORN & ZELMA GLADNEY (Ga.), MRS. RONALD HOEFT (Or.), MRS. CHARLES C. HOWARD (Mo.), MR & MRS R.E. HUFF (NJ), MRS. REID IVENS (Tn.), MRS. FRED KUMMERFIELD (Wy.), MISS MARY AGNES MITCHELL (Mo.), MRS. JIM PHILLIPS (Ca.), MRS. ED PINNEY (Ca.), MRS. STEVE RAETHER (Az.), MRS. L.C. REID (Mo.), MRS. MILDRED GLADNEY B. RIORDAN (Mo.), MRS. W.J. ROE (Mich.), and MISS SARAH RUSSELL (Ca.). Thanks again, Virgil, for your willingness to help.

5-19-84 Oh, how I appreciate the book "The Steps of a Good Man" that I received today from Gladney descendant MRS. DAVID BISHOP of Dallas (see 5-11-84 Gladneygram). Read it from cover to cover at one sitting, not being able to lay it aside...a 126-page biography of her father REV. CLAUDE RILEY MEADOWS (1891-1964)...authored by her as Mary Meadows Utt...an humble Man of God who characterized the true ideals of the Christian ministry. What great rewards in Heaven must be his! Thank you so much, Mary. Maybe others can find a copy in a Baptist Missionary Assn. church library.

5-19-84 Ltr from MRS. R.A. MOORE, JR., Rt.3, Box HS60, Farmville, Va. 23901 (nee Anne Elizabeth Macfie d/o Alva Elizabeth Stevenson Macfie, Samuel line, & Reuben Rice Macfie, Jr., p.11-12-GIA)... "Thanks for Gladneygrams & best wishes for the reunion this year. Sorry my mother and I cannot attend but send best wishes to all who remember us...my mother Alva (d/o Alva Gertrude Gladney Stevenson) has helped with reunion arrangements in Winnsboro, SC and enjoyed meeting all of you. My daughter Alva is a student at Davidson College; daughter Paula enters Erskine College in Fall 1984; daughter Margrette begins high school." Enclosed \$10.00 annual dues, \$5.00 for a Gladney Coat of Arms color reprint, and a donation for postage. Thank you, Anne...appreciate other family info & data you sent too.

TO BE CONTINUED (TAKING BREAK TO GO TO GIA FAMILY REUNION, SARDIS, MS.)

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