

Descendants of Richard II and Jane

Gladney Gram

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Home to South Carolina in 2007



Remember

Complete the enclosed form and send it to C. Wallace Gladney. Also, remember to make your reservations for accommodations at the reunion.

Of Special Interest

- Trip to Ireland
- Reunion Registration
- Gladney/Liles Cemetery Photos

President's Page by Larry Ivens

Dear Gladney Cousins,

Arrangements are being finalized for our next family reunion in Winnsboro, S. C. July 27-29. Details appear elsewhere in this newsletter.

My parents and I have just returned from Roanoke, Alabama, where cousin Sid Suggs and his wife, Faye, joined us in our search for locations significant to our Gladney family. The trip was intended to be an exploration of a possible site for the 2008 Gladney family reunion.

Randolph County, Alabama and neighboring Troup County, Georgia have locations of great significance to Gladneys from the Samuel line. Samuel's son, Thomas, and his wife, Rachel Creighton, moved to Georgia from Winnsboro. Thomas's sons, Samuel G. and (Continued on page 3)

Reunion To Honor Military



In honor and memory of our Gladney family members (alive or dead) who have served or are currently serving in any branch of the military, we would like to recognize their contributions at the reunion this July. Please send information including name, photo (then and now if possible), branch of military, years of service and honors or recognitions he/she received. You may include other information you feel would be beneficial. This information may be sent electronically via email or by regular mail. ALL INFORMATION MUST BE RECEIVED BY JULY 1st. Email info to jwhitesell@sc.rr.com or mail to Judy Whitesell, 309 Moss Creek Dr., Cayce, SC 29033.

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Thomas McCann Family Update

Hello, I wanted to catch you up to date on my family. My father was Thomas Gladney McCann, born June 25, 1894. He used to tell me he was born six months before Christmas and six months after. He died May 16, 1967 in Columbus, Mississippi. My mother is now 98 years old and living in Columbus.

I have three sons, Major Thomas Gladney McCann II USMC, graduated from West Point 1992, and OLE MISS Law School 1991, did this while in the military. He is in Iraq for his 2nd tour and so is his wife, Kim a lawyer in the Navy, both JAGS. My second son, John Robert McCann is a CPA and a lawyer, both degrees from Ole Miss and working now in Memphis. My third son, Jacob Seth McCann, named by his older brothers, has just started Kindergarten and quite a T-ball player.

My wife, Cindi and I live in Peachtree City, Ga. and have ever since I retired from Delta after 45 years of flying including the AirForce, PanAm and Delta. Now I wake up with nothing to do and go to bed with about half of it done. I love to play golf and plan to play some at the next reunion.

All the best,

Thomas Mitchell McCann (named for my mother's dad)



A belated

Happy Saint Patrick's Day to you all.

Ireland Trip 2008

Since Charleston, no interest has been shown in participating in a family trip to Ireland in 2008. We must hear from you soon if there is to be a trip. Much time and planning will be required for the arrangements to be made and get good ticket prices.

Please, if you are interested in taking this trip in 2008 (no definite date yet), please write or email Bettye. Include in your correspondence any sights you may be interested in visiting during the trip. Bettye's email address is: retteacher@aol.com. Her mailing address at home is: 226 Avon Drive Carlisle, PA 17013-4209.

President's Page (continued)

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William (numbers 53 and 54 respectively in the Blue book) are buried in an isolated, overgrown cemetery, the Gladney/Liles Cemetery in western Randolph County. We were able to locate this cemetery and we took pictures, included in this publication, of the gravestones of Samuel G. (53) and William's son, Samuel.

Before we visited the Gladney/Liles Cemetery, we located the graves of William's son, Thomas, and his wife, Mary Jane Ussery, in Fellowship Baptist Church Cemetery at Bacon Level, just outside of Roanoke, Alabama.

Unfortunately, our visit to Roanoke/Wedowee, Alabama area was cut short by a fall my mother suffered at the Gladney/ Liles cemetery. After a night in Randolph Medical Center, we had to take her by ambulance to Tennessee to get to her orthopedic surgeon. At the time of the writing of this letter (3/30/07), she is in St. Mary's Hospital in Knoxville, Tennessee, waiting for a knee replacement operation. Please keep her in your prayers. We are very hopeful that all will go well.

Larry R. Ivens

UPDATE: Larry reports that blood clots in Virginia's lungs are preventing surgery but she is in good spirits and was due to be transferred on 4/13/07 to Asbury Acres, a skilled nursing facility, for rehabilitation.



Grave of Samuel Gladney (#53 in Blue Book) located in Gladney/Liles cemetery near Wedowee, Alabama. Located by Larry Ivens, Reed and Virginia Ivens, and Sid and Faye Suggs.



The almost unreadable inscription on this stone located at Friendship Baptist Church Cemetery reads: "In Memory of Thomas Gladney, Born August 30, 1818, Died May 24, 1896, Age 78 Years, 8 Months, 21 Days".

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Larry Ivens and Virginia Ivens shown with gravesite of Larry's ggg-grandparents Thomas and Mary Jane Gladney.



Sid and Faye Suggs at graves of Thomas and Mary Jane (Ussery) Gladney in Roanoke, Alabama.

Gladney Book

The cost of the big blue Gladney book has been reduced to \$119.00 by the Higginson Book Company. All books should be ordered directly from the Higginson Book Company. This is a good time to purchase a book and donate it to your local genealogical society or library so that any queries about the Gladney Family will be directed to this book.

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Cathy's Corner



I work for a small, family owned business. They actually own several business, one of which does some land development. One of those developments has a main entry road that needed a name. My boss wanted me to name that street. Of course, my first thought was to name it in honor of my son, Adam Veitch, who was killed in a car accident in 2000. If you are ever in the Newnan, Georgia area, venture down Sprayberry Road and look for a street named "Adam Lane". To the left is a photo of the road sign.

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The Bonds' Holidays

Hi to all,

We spent Christmas with our oldest son and family in Quito, Ecuador. We flew from D.C. to Houston on December 19th and flew back the 29th. Its a long 9 1/2 hr. flight and very tiring with all the international security and small plane seats.

We spent all day Christmas Eve, after a 2 1/2 hour drive up the mountains, in a very remote village where they minister to the poor indigenous Ecuadorian farmers who grow onions, leeks, and potatoes. We were treated to The Christmas Story by the children and then served a "banquet for the poor" to all who would WALK DOWN to the church (a one room cinder block - no heat - room). Rod gives the ladies of the church money to purchase any of the needed food. They served chicken, rice, potatoes and a corn/peas/onion salad. Their mainstays are potatoes and rice. I had apples for the children and was told most of them had never had an apple because they don't grow them in that area of the mountains and they can't afford to buy them.

Another day, we visited a church, same style, farther up on the small winding dirt/cobble stone road where when they saw Rods old 4-wheel drive vehicle they left the fields and came to visit. They were literally black from the rich black soil where they raise the onions/leeks/potatoes. Some were digging potatoes with a stick and their hands. But they were so happy to see us and share a prayer with us when we left. We are really tired but so blessed.

Happy New Year! Gene & Bettye







Wally's Golfing Again

C. Wallace (big Wally) Gladney underwent a carotid transplant on March 6, 2007. The doctors removed a 5" vein from his upper thigh. The blocked carotid artery was removed and then replaced with the vein from his leg. The vein was turned around to flow like an artery. He returned home the next day and even went out to lunch with friends on the second day. He reports that the leg was tender for about three weeks but his neck healed quickly. And, to top it off, he attended the Masters in Augusta, Georgia on Thursday and Friday, April 5 and 6. He will be attending the Winnsboro reunion and plans to play golf all the way up and back.

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2007 Reunion—Winnsboro, SC

Hello everyone, time is passing quickly and our 2007 Gladney Reunion is just around the corner. Having traveled to Charleston last year to see where our ancestors first set foot on this land and now to follow in their footsteps as they lead us back to Winnsboro.

Our get-together is once again hosted at the **Winnsboro Motel.** The room fees are a modest \$48.14 per night including tax. (The receptionist asked that you inform them that you are with our group so that you get the best rates.) Please call 1-803-635-6925 for reservations. YOU MUST MAKE YOUR OWN RESERVATIONS. In our summer heat, we're sure that everyone will want to join us in the pool so <u>bring your beach towels</u> and come on!



Friday evening we're having a cookout! Wear your beach wear and come to the meeting room ready to meet and greet your extended family. We'll have hamburgers and hot dogs with all the trimmings!

And.... Be sure to wear your dancin' shoes. After dinner, we're going to learn the South Carolina State Dance, the Shag!

Saturday morning, you'll have breakfast on your own. Then we'll gather in the parking lot at 9:00 a.m. to drive out to the cemeteries. From 10:00 a.m. until noon, you're welcome to go to Fairfield Archives and History to look at the Gladney Bibles or do research.

Your afternoon time is your own! You may enjoy the pool, take a nap, or visit with new and old friends. If you're interested in seeing the movie of Edna Gladney's "Blossoms In The Dust", it will be shown then.

At 6:30 p.m., we'll gather in the meeting room once again to enjoy our farewell meal.

The menu consists of Baked Ham, Grilled Chicken, Macaroni and Cheese, Potato Salad, Green Beans, Corn on the Cob, Tossed Salad, and of course, tea and rolls.



After the meal, we'll have a short ceremony honoring our current and past military family members. Please look for information in this newsletter to assist with gathering this information.

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Family News

DEATHS

Charles Edward (Ed) Faulkner passed away on January 25, 2007 in Carmichael, CA at age 83. He suffered with vascular dementia disease and his health had been deteriorating for about six months. Submitted by Ed's wife, Miriam Gladney Faulkner

Timothy Thomas Gladney passed away five days after his uncle Ed Faulkner on January 30, 2007 at the age of 47. Tim was the nephew of Miriam Gladney Faulkner. He was the son of Miriam's brother, Stanley Amos Gladney and lived in Woodland, CA. Besides his parents, he is survived by a 15 year old son and a 5 year old daughter. Submitted by Miriam Gladney Faulkner.

Please send your family announcements to Cathy Newman for printing in an upcoming Gladney Gram. The mailing address and email address are on the back of this publication.

Reunion (Cont.)

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Sunday morning, most of us will be packing and eager to get on the road to our respective homes. But, before leaving, please join us for a church service at 9:00 a.m. in the parking lot. We would love for you to join us.



If you would prefer to stay in a bed and breakfast, there are two nearby. Go to these websites for more information.

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If camping is more your style, contact Judy Whitsell, our host in Winnsboro, for more information. Her phone number is 803-796-4697.



South Carolina State Flag: What's in a Symbol?



In the fall of 1775, the Revolutionary Council of Safety asked Colonel William Moultrie to design a flag for the South Carolina troops to fly in the Revolutionary War. Moultrie chose a blue background that matched their uniforms and placed the silver crescent that the troops were on the front of their caps in the center of the banner.

South Carolina needed a national flag after it seceded from the Union on December 20, 1860. The General Assembly considered many designs, but on January 28, 1861, almost one hundred years after Moultrie's original design, they voted to add a palmetto tree, officially creating the flag we know today. The palmetto tree was added to represent Moultrie's defense of the palmetto-log fort on Sullivan's Island. The fort held against British attack on June 28, 1776.