

Pauline Reep Parnell

Pauline Reep Parnell, 83, of Warren, AR died Friday, 6 June 2003, at her home. She was a great-great granddaughter of Jane Gladney Gibson and the great granddaughter of Samuel Bruce Gibson, CSA 1st AR INF. She was of the Samuel line.

Pauline was a business woman, the widow of Jerone Parnell who died 28 Jan. 1974. She was a member of the First United Methodist

Church of Warren. Funeral services were held 9 June 2003 at the chapel of Frazer's Funeral Home.

She is survived by a son, Rodney Parnell and a daughter, La Nue Reynold both of Warren. She is also survived by a brother, Roland Reep, and a sister, Reba Sue Cash and several grand and great grandchildren.

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would be open before Monday. There went the Hard Rock.

We walked back to our car and headed back to the hotel. No electricity yet. When we got to the front desk, they informed us that the reunion had been cancelled. My husband and son wandered off to play more games but I stayed and struck up a conversation with Bryan in Guest Services. I inquired about email usage and he said that if I could find your *(Bettye Bond's)* email address, he could power up a PC and see if we could get in touch with you. I remembered *retteacher@aol.com*. The PC powered up okay on the generator but the internet was not working.

I finally remembered the Gladney Gram. I searched through it until I found your home number. Your daughter gave me your cell phone number. You told me you had contacted everyone except me and that two sisters from California made the trip even though they knew there was the threat of cancellation. They were at the Hawthorne Suites across the street and asked me to contact them.

We found out the Marriott was taking walk-ins and they had elec-

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Historical Marker for Church

The former Mt. Zion Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church which was torn down two years ago recently received recognition. An historical marker was placed at the church's former location. This marker is on land owned by LeRoy Gladney near Highway V in the Okete community.

The placing of the marker was a project of four committee members including Mary Agnes Mitchell, Frances Houston, Charles Gladney (LeRoy Gladney's uncle) and Karl Shannon.

Once the committee was formed they wrote letters to past and present members of the church for contributions.

The church dates back to the early

settlement of the state. Among the first were Peter Galloway, a ruling elder of the associate congregation of York County, SC. He came with his family in 1818. He was followed by Samuel Gladney and David Wilson.

The first deacons mentioned in church records were James Shannon, James Alexander and Richard T. Gladney, elected 10 September 1847.

A few years ago the congregation built a new church on Highway V in Troy.

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Wednesday, July 23, right after work. We would drive half way Wednesday night and the rest of the way Thursday morning.

At about 9:00 p.m. We found a Jameson Inn in Jasper, AL that was absolutely fabulous. We slept well and had a great breakfast.

Our luck changed on the outskirts of Memphis. The ramp to I-240 was closed. Not just one side of the ramp,

the entire ramp.- ALL LANES.

We followed the directions from our MapQuest search on the internet and found the streets with ease. We did notice that a couple of the traffic lights were out, caused by road construction - or so we thought.

After finding the hotel, we parked and noticed that your *(Bettye and Gene Bond's)* motor home wasn't there yet. In fact, there were very few vehicles at all in the parking lot.

We walked into the beautiful atrium and lobby area and immediately no-

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ticed the wall of warm air that hit us as we walked in.

When we reached the registration area we were informed that there was no electricity.. It had been off since a bad storm in the area on Tuesday. The electric company had promised it would be restored by 11:30 a.m. Thursday. That time had come and gone so they thought the electricity would be restored at any time .

We arrived on the sixth floor without incident. We were the only living beings on the entire floor. Had the air conditioning been working, it would have been a perfect get away. But, it was so hot and none of the exterior mirror-clad windows would open.

We unpacked and decided to go out to eat, hoping that when we returned, the air would be back on. We called the front desk (some things were powered by generator) and asked for someone to come get us in the elevator. .

We inquired for a good place to eat that was fairly close. Corky's Barbecue was recommended. On the way, we noticed there were still some traffic lights out but, once we crossed the interstate, most of the businesses were open and doing a brisk business due to the outage on he other side.

We headed back to the hotel. The

electricity was still not on.. We sat in the lobby for a while and talked. That didn't last long. My husband and son got involved in a video game on my husband's pocket PC. I balanced my checkbook and cleaned out my purse. We were getting desperate. We had to get out.

We decided we would try to go on with our sightseeing plans. We headed toward Beale Street on the opposite side of town.... We also wanted to visit the Hard Rock Café and maybe take a dinner cruise on the Mississippi River. We wanted to ride across the river so that I could say I had been in Arkansas. . We rode across the river, took a couple of pictures of the "Welcome to Arkansas" sign, did a u-turn, and returned to Tennessee. We found a parking garage and walked to Beale Street.... Then, it was time to see the Hard Rock Café. We knew from the internet that it was on Beale Street so we headed on down the street. When we got to the first intersection, we noticed several policemen and crime tape across the streets. The storm had knocked the large construction crane off balance. This was not just any crane. It's the kind that they put in the middle of a skyscraper when they are building them. I would guess that it was 200 feet tall. We asked the policemen and he said that nothing within the crane's crash distance

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Sisters Die on Same Day

Anna Belle Carroll Heyward and Churchill Carroll Powers, sisters and Samuel descendants, died Wednesday, 21 May 2003. They were the daughters of Anna Belle Gladney Carroll and Churchill Williford Carroll.

Anna Belle was born 13 February 1916 in York, SC. She graduated from Winthrop College in 1937 with a degree in business. In her senior year she was crowned "May Queen."

Mrs Heyward was a member of The Junior League, The Assembly, The Palmetto Club, Forest Lake Club and The Pine Tree Hunt Club. She was also an active member of Saint Joseph Catholic where she was a member of the Mackin-Murphy Guild.

She was a wonderful, loyal, generous friend with a marvelous sense of humor. She was a kind, loving parent and will be missed by all.

Surviving are her 2 sons: Albert Rhett Heyward, III of Chapin; Church Carroll Heyward of Columbia; Anna Belle Heyward Kibler of Columbia; 1 daughter: Sarah Boykin Heyward Ide of Springfield, VA; 9 grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

Churchill was born 28 February 1923 in York, SC, She also graduated from Winthrop College in 1945 with a degree in social work. Like her sister

she was crowned "May Queen" in her senior year. Following graduation, she pursued social work in the American red cross.

Mrs. Powers will always be remembered as a loving and caring mother. Her generous spirit and independent strength guided and molded many lives. She will be missed by all who loved her.

Surviving Mrs. Powers are 2 sons: Robert Wilson Powers of Atlanta, GA and Churchill Carroll Powers of Columbia, SC; 3 daughters: Gladney Powers Brooks of Mt. Pleasant, SC, Jane Powers Quick of Florence, SC, and Virginia Powers O'Connell and of McLean, Va; 14 grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

**The 2004
Gladney Reunion
Will be Held
25-27 June
In Baton Rouge,
LA**