



Gladney

Descendants of Richard II & Jane Wilson Gladney

Gladney Gram

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Judy Whitesell

Hello family,

Happy New Year! We're hoping that your weather is comfortable and calm. You'd hardly recognize South Carolina right now. Jim and I just returned from the Low Country (Charleston area) where there is still a blanket of white snow and ice over much of the area. That's right.... I said snow! Not being a local, you may not know, but this just does NOT happen here. Yes, we occasionally have a "dusting" or perhaps an inch or two depending on where in SC you are at the time. This extremely rare weather occurrence hasn't happened along the coast for well over 30 years. To complicate matters, it's still on the ground after 4 days. Again, this does NOT happen in SC. When it does snow, it

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2018 REUNION INFO

Janice Sakash has already been busy with plans and reservations. Our 2018 Gladney Reunion will be held in Charleston, South Carolina on July 27-29. Please make your reservations now and plan to attend. This is the 250th anniversary of Gladneys in America. Be there to share in the celebration.

Thank you, Janice.

A block of rooms has been reserved for our 2018 Gladney reunion at:

**Hyatt Place Charleston
Airport/Convention Center
3234 West Montague Ave
North Charleston SC 29418
843-302-8600**

charlestonairport.place.hyatt.com/en/hotel/home.html

All rooms are suites and the rates for the Gladney reunion are \$144 per night plus 2% destination fee (\$2.88) and 14% room tax (\$20.16) for a total of \$167.04. These rates are good for Thursday, July 26-Sunday, July 29 for folks who can come early and/or stay longer. THERE IS A CUT OFF DATE OF JUNE 25, 2018 TO GET THESE RATES!! Guests must make their own reservations by calling 888-591-1234. Ask for the Hyatt Place Charleston Airport/Convention

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FAMILY UPDATES

DEATHS

CARL EUGENE GLADNEY, JR., 47, of Troy, Missouri, passed away on Sunday, Oct. 8, 2017 at his residence in Troy.

He was born on Dec. 2, 1969, in Troy, a son of the late Carl Eugene and Janet Marie (Stoeckel) Gladney.

Carl was very active in FFA at Buchanan High and graduated in 1988. Over the years Carl worked at Jerry Bickel Race Cars as a parts salesman, Albers Manufacturing, and Virbac Corporation in electrical maintenance. He was a car enthusiast and had a true passion for drag racing. Carl enjoyed reading Stephen King books and listening to various styles of music. He was a loving, caring, intelligent man, who will be missed by many.



Carl is survived by one son and one daughter, Connor Gladney of Troy, and Cydney Gladney of Troy; one brother, Chad Gladney of Troy; a very close friend, Tristan Lenk of Troy, and numerous relatives. He was preceded in death by his parents.

Friends will be received from 4 to 7 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 13, 2017, at Kemper-Millard-Keim Family Funeral Chapel located at 351 Monroe Street Troy, MO.

Funeral service will follow at 7 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 13, 2017 at the Kemper-Millard-Keim Family Funeral Chapel. Interment will be held at the Sacred Heart Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, expressions of sympathy may be made to American Heart Associa-

tion, Kemper-Millard-Keim Family Funeral Chapel, P.O. Box 222 Troy, MO 63379.

Online condolences may be made at kemper-millardkeimfamilyfuneralchapel.com, phone 636-528-8221

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LUTHER BECKETT "SKIP" GLADNEY, September 24, 1956 - August 19, 2016, age 59, the Wizard of Southdowns, passed into the Summerland on Friday August 19, 2016. He is now sitting beside a cool, rushing, stream, drinking an IPA after taking a long walk. Skip was a lover of anything where people can get together to make music and costume, whether it was watching the LSU Band come down the hill towards Tiger Stadium, walking through the French Quarter on Mardi Gras day, or parading through Southdowns in the Krewe of Gleaux. He adored brass band music, impromptu street jams, and dancing at Jazz Fest.

Skip also enjoyed being outdoors, whether he was taking a long hard hike in the woods or cruising around in the bay-ous, after which he liked to relax under the stars. He loved the energy of big crowds and the solitude of his own mind. A Baton Rouge native and son of Mary Manship Gladney and William Washburn Gladney, Purple and Gold ran in Skip's blood. He was a devoted LSU fan who rejoiced and suffered dutifully with the Tigers.



Skip was a passionate husband to his wife of 33 years, Miriam Aretsky. He was an amazing, dedicated father to his children, Ariel Gladney and Jesse Gladney. He was a loving brother to his siblings William Gladney, Lewis Gladney

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and Mary Gay Gladney. They all thought their little brother hung the moon. He adored them and showed it in many ways. As a child and as an adult, he loved to play and bring his family together. He was central in the lives of his nieces and nephews, Nathan Koenig, Sarah Landrum, Patrick Gladney Logan Gladney, Adelaide Gladney, Anne Marie Gladney, and Kate Gladney.

Skip loved babies and children. He knew how to interact with them so they felt safe and could learn and grow. It was what made him such an exceptional and beloved teacher at La Printaniere Montessori School for the past 20 years.

Skip will be sorely missed by all who knew him. He was a unique and talented man who quietly impacted the lives of many people. We fondly remember Skip as a spirit pole waver, fire starter, tarp slinger, rock skipper, night sky watcher, maker of coffee, finder of stillness, and inventor of silly songs.

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Editor's Note: Skip was a nephew of our beloved Charles Wallace Gladney who passed on 6/26/2015.



GLADNEY CEMETERY UPDATE

Mr. Len Strozier has made the revisions to his data collected this summer on our family cemetery in Winnsboro. We now are in the process of scrutinizing the mapping to be certain that it is correct. As stated earlier, he found many unidentified graves and we're planning to place markers at each of those.

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rarely stays for more than a day or two as it usually warms up right away. It's a good

thing that you're all coming in July as traveling here is a bit of a problem at this time.

Speaking of the family reunion, thank you to Janice and George Sakash who have been busy with plans for us. Please find her article about our accommodations so that you can book your rooms soon. As she mentions, Charleston is a high tourist area and rooms will be selling out before July. We don't want you to be disappointed, so act quickly. We look forward to introducing you to the "Holy City"!...and retracing the steps of our ancestors!

GIA TREASURER CHANGE OF ADDRESS

The Gladneys In America Treasurer, Terry Burkemper, and her family have built a new home and are moving within the next couple of weeks. She has asked me to pass along her new contact information. Beginning immediately, please send any correspondence or payments to:

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290 Gnade Road
Elsberry, MO 63343
Her cell number is 660-216-5619
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Brashear/Elsberry area temps have been 12-16 degrees with wind chills at -20 to -30. They got 3-4 inches of snow right before Christmas. She said that it was supposed to be 15 degrees on January 3rd and then they were expecting the next cold wave.

Hopefully, the weather will be improving in time for the big move.

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Center in North Charleston, reference the Gladney Family Reunion or online at Hyatt.com and use code G-LADN.

All rooms are suites and you can choose between a King Size bed which will have a walk in shower or 2 queen beds which will have a tub/shower combination. Both have a sofa sleeper. A hot buffet breakfast is included in the rates. There is an indoor pool and complimentary shuttle service within a 5 mile radius. There are numerous restaurants in the area.

The hotel is approximately 8 miles from downtown Charleston. If you are interested in any tourist attractions downtown I will be providing some info and of course there is loads of info on line. Parking for downtown is available in the Visitors Center Parking Deck and there is a free shuttle to various attractions downtown.

Because Charleston has been voted the #1 tourist attraction in the US for several years, the rates at the downtown hotels are very high. We wanted to choose accommodations that would allow as many Gladney cousins to come as possible. We are looking forward to seeing everyone and more information about planned activities will be sent at a later time.

Our Friday night welcome will be at the meeting rooms at the hotel. Our Saturday evening meal will be at the parish hall at Old St Andrews Parish Church, established in 1706. The meal will be southern food catered by Alice Warren who previously ran a restaurant in downtown Charleston that was a favorite of the locals from all walks of life. We feel fortunate that Alice will be providing the food.

Make your reservations early and we will

keep you posted on activities planned as we celebrate 250 years of the Gladneys in America.

Janice Sakash



MOVING

In honor of Terry and Gene Burkemper moving into their new home, I thought it would be appropriate to tell you about some moving traditions from around the world. Moving is a major life event, and a lot can go wrong. That's why countries and cultures around the world rely on rituals to increase the odds of a lucky start in a new home.

Pick a lucky moving day. In INDIA, it's important to choose an auspicious day for your move and finish moving before sunset. Examples of auspicious days are the first day of the lunar calendar, a full moon night, or the day of a major festival.

Let a feline enter the home first. In RUSSIA, it's considered good luck to let a cat walk across the threshold of your new home before you move in. This ritual is so important that one Russian bank decided to offer a "loaner" cat for two hours to any customer who takes out a mortgage.

Exit through the correct door. When leaving your new home for the first time, you must go through the same door you entered through. If

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LOW COUNTRY SHRIMP & GRITS

Judy Whitesell

To whet your appetite, here's one of SC's finest recipes...

3 - 10.5 ounce cans of condensed chicken broth (undiluted)
 1/2 c. whipping cream
 1 c. uncooked quick-cooking grits
 1- 8oz. pkg of shredded sharp Cheddar cheese
 1 lb. shrimp, peeled and deveined
 1/2 lb. of bacon
 4 t. of lemon juice
 2 T. of chopped fresh parsley
 1 c. thinly sliced scallions
 1 lg. clove garlic - minced

Combine the chicken broth and whipping cream in a sauce pan, then bring to a boil. Stir in grits and return to a boil. Cover, reduce heat, and simmer for 5-7 minutes, then stir in cheese. Remove from heat and prepare the shrimp.

Rinse shrimp and pat dry. Fry bacon in a large skillet until browned, drain well, and chop. Add shrimp to bacon drippings in skillet and cook until pink. Add lemon juice, chopped bacon, parsley, scallions, and garlic. Sauté for 3 minutes. Spoon shrimp mixture over cheese grits and serve immediately. Yum!



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you don't follow this ritual, IRISH people believe it is bad luck. However, this applies only to the first time you leave the house.

Sweep away your old troubles. In many countries, including ENGLAND, it's tradition to replace your old broom before moving into the new place. Along with your home's dirt, traditions say that old brooms also carry troubles and negative energy. Buying a new broom assures that you will have a fresh start in your new place.



Put an Aloe plant outside your home. When a writer was moving from Texas to MEXICO, he noticed Aloe plants in front of houses and he was told that they ward off negative energy. He got an aloe plant and, after a visit by an acquaintance who said she was jealous of his nice home and that she hated him, the plant died. On the advice of his landlady, he threw the plant away outside his home and immediately bought a new one. He said that the plant sucked up the bad vibes like a magnet and the vibes were thrown away with the plant.

Sprinkle your house with protection. It's common in SCOTLAND and other countries for family and friends to bring bread and salt to the new house as gifts.

They are supposed to represent two cupboard staples that every new house needs. Some people will then take the salt and scatter it through the house, paying close attention to the windows and doors



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so as to ward off evil spirits from entering the home.

Scatter coins for prosperity. In the PHILLIPPINES, when you're moving into a new place,



you might sprinkle coins on the living room floor to bring financial good fortune to the home. Some Filipino land-

lords conduct the ritual in every property that they manage. It's a national tradition. Another important moving day tradition is to enter with rice and salt before bringing anything else into the home.

Clean out old energy for a fresh start. Some folks who practice Feng Shui use the NATIVE AMERICAN practice of smudging when moving into a new home. Set good intention and use sage, bells, or smudge spray to clean the air. Finally, bring in new energy with a blessing, mantra, or prayer.

Paint your porch ceiling blue. It's an old tradition in the SOUTHERN UNITED STATES to paint your porch ceiling blue. This particular shade of light greenish blue is known as "haint blue" and is said to prevent "haints" or lingering spirits of the dead, from getting into the house. *Editor's Note: This particular tradition also has a practical use. The blue ceiling prevents bird nests from being built by convincing the birds that the sky is above them and they have no cover from the weather.*

Hold a house warming celebration. House warming parties are common to many countries and cultures. A house warming in THAILAND involves inviting an odd number of monks to your new home and offering them food and gifts, such as biscuits, detergent, and a banana leave vase filled with flowers. The monks perform a ceremony and sprinkle holy water around the home.

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Zaddock Bonner, Jr., was one of the wealthiest men in Georgia before 1860. He discovered what became known as the "Bonner Bonanza" when he hit gold in Carroll County, Georgia. He was known to have been worth over three quarters of a million dollars before the Civil War. Gold from his mine was used on the dome of the Georgia State Capitol.

Zaddock Bonner, Jr., and Lucy Ridgeway are buried at the Bonner Graveyard off Gold Mine Road in Carroll County, Georgia near the old homesite of Zaddock, Jr."

I became almost obsessed with this line. I spent a day with my cousin from the other side of my family, the Stones, looking for information.

Zaddock Bonner was born in Carroll County, Georgia on October 11, 1929 to William Smith Bonner and Frances Treadwell. He married Mary Jane Riley in Newton County,



GA on September 19, 1859. They had six children; Lucretia Frances, Susan, John Smith, Thomas Jefferson, Eliza A.G., and Telitha Elizabeth. Zaddock served in the 53rd Regiment, Georgia Infantry, Company F, as a Private in the Civil War. This Regiment was organized on May 12, 1862 and fought in many battles including Sharpsburg (Antietam), MD, Fredericksburg, VA, Chancellorsville, VA, and Gettysburg, PA to name only a few. Zaddock was captured in Knoxville, TN on November 29, 1863. He was disabled by smallpox that he contracted in prison and released at Rock Island, Illinois on June 17, 1865. He completed a Confederate Application for Presidential Pardon in At-

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lanta, GA on August 8, 1865. The law was that any man worth over \$20,000 would not be pardoned. However, he did receive a Presidential special pardon on August 23, 1865. Zadock died on March 25, 1904 in Henry County, GA. He is buried at Ozias Primitive Baptist Church in Stockbridge, Henry County, Georgia.

I have been on a few cemetery searches. I don't go in the summer during tick season but, I have been in the fall/winter. This one warranted a search. One Sunday during my husband's vacation, we went looking for the Bonner Family Cemetery on Bonner Gold Mine Road. We found it and were pleasantly surprised at how well the cemetery has held up. It was surrounded by a four foot chain link fence. There were no locks and houses were on the left and right as well as across the street.

There were about twenty-five graves that could be distinguished. There were a few that had only rock markers but, the remaining burials had nice markers. One had fallen over but was readable. We cleaned the dirt and pine straw off so that we could get a photo. I did get photos of all the markers, even the rocks. The whole time I was thinking how nice it would be to have Len Strozier come to complete a GPR investigation on our cemetery.

According to the web site for West Georgia College in Carrollton, GA, the old Bonner house, built in Greek Revival Style, is on the campus to this day. "The Bonner House, built in 1843, is the University of West Georgia's oldest building. It was on the land long before the university was founded, and it has served many purposes in its history. Today, it serves as the Welcome Center where campus visitors can stop by to get parking passes, maps, and campus information. The "little white house" is located on Front Campus Drive, just off Maple Street".

After we located the Bonner Family Cemetery,

we set off to find the Bonner House. It wasn't difficult at all as it is front and center at the college. There was no one there since it was during the winter holidays. We walked all the way around the house noticing the original rock walls and wondering if Zadock's fingerprints might be on it somewhere. The original chimneys are still intact up to a certain point just past the roofline. Above that, you can tell that repairs had to be made. I looked in the front windows and to my delight, sunlight was streaming in from another window and highlighted the beautiful wide plank yellow pine flooring which I am certain is original. I also wondered if Zadock had a hand in felling the pine trees on the property and running them through the mill to make the flooring.

I have a special search coming up in a few weeks. I'll report on that in the next issue, space allowing.

I will continue to research this line but, thought some of you might be interested in what I have found so far. Next issue, I just might print the old photo that has kept my attention for a few months.



THE OLD BONNER HOUSE

PS—If you are wondering what happened to all that GOLD, Zadock left all of the gold to the Confederate States of America. So, it was useless and eventually went to the US Government.



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BONNER FAMILY GENEALOGY/HISTORY

Cathy's Corner

I am so fortunate that I live in / near where my ancestors lived. They left their mark in history. I had seventeen aunts and uncles along with fifteen of their spouses and tens of dozens of cousins. My Gladney side genealogy was already complete when I joined the genealogy bandwagon. The only thing I did was to document my Gladney grandfather's siblings (which were listed as his children in the red book). Of course, after I attended my first reunion in Carrollton, GA, I was hooked. I love my relatives, near and far. This "Cathy's Corner" will be about my grandmother Gladney's family, the Treadwells and Bonners.

I recently came across a YouTube video about my 1st cousin 4x removed, Zadock Bonner. It contained just enough information to get me going on that line. I have found old photos, etc. but, the following writing from a message board on Ancestry.com was the most enticing;

"In 1830, gold was discovered at Pine Mountain, near the future site of Villa Rica. Later the vein of gold was found to extend from the northeastern corner of the county to the southeastern corner. Some gold deposits were found near Carrollton on Oak Mountain, but the most important were discovered on the large plantation owned by Zadok Bonner, about eight miles southwest of Carrollton. The Bonner mines began operation about 1840, and more than a half million dollars in gold was removed before 1860, leaving the "Big Cut", 350 feet long and 20 feet deep, near the Bonner residence. The placer method was used to sift the dirt for traces of gold.

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