



Gladney

Descendants of Richard II & Jane Wilson Gladney

Gladney Gram

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Dan Pannell

I have four brothers and four sisters. I've often said that I was shortchanged because my sisters have five brothers. I also have brothers with different surnames, but they're still my family. My twenty-three years in the military rewarded me with countless brothers and sisters. I still stay in contact with those that shared my trials, hardships, and triumphs, even though they live in different states and live different lives that we once shared. So, what is Family?

Family: a word of togetherness, love, affection and warmth such as a mother, father, siblings and any other relation that make a complete family. Family is the first place where you learn, live, share, and care for others. It is said that your character, behavior, attitude, dealing with people and thoughts represents your family and tells which family you belong to. In a formal way a family is a group consisting of parents and children living together in a same residence. They all have blood relations. But, actually a family is a strong bond that can't fall apart and keeps you strong in hardships of life that supports you even if the

whole world is against you. Life can't be spent alone and we all need relations... our families.

I get excited every year when I think about being able to share time with my Gladney family. We all don't have the same parents or siblings, but we are family. Yes, we share common ancestors, but for me it's a deeper relationship than having the same DNA. We care for one another in ways that can't be expressed by words alone. We can look each other in the eyes or observe the way we hold ourselves and know what kind of day the other is having.

I vividly remember my first trip to Ireland. As soon as I arrived, I felt at home. I stood in awe looking at the same countryside and walking where my ancestors walked. I couldn't help but wonder if they were they tall, were they short, were they impoverished,

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FAMILY UPDATES

ACCOLADES

Kendall Myers of Loveland, Ohio Named to Deans List: January 22, 2019

Cedarville University student Kendal Myers of Loveland, OH, whose major is Nursing, was named to the Cedarville University Dean’s List of Fall of 2018. This recognition required Myers to maintain a 3.5 GPA for the semester and carry a minimum of 12 credit hours.

Grant Bond Wins Championship Title: On Saturday, December 10, 2018, Grant Bond (Carlisle, PA/Boiling Springs) and Nate Newberry (Biglerville, PA/Biglerville) earned individual Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference (PSAC) titles to become Bloomsburg’s first PSAC champions since 2013.

Competing in the 149-pound bracket at the 2018 Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference Championships on Saturday afternoon at Kutztown University, redshirt junior, Grant Bond, won all four of his matches—all by bonus points—to become Bloomsburg University’s first PSAC individual wrestling champion since 2013. He started the afternoon by pinning Millersville’s DJ Miele before upsetting second seeded Logan McKoy of Seton Hill by technical fall, 15-0, in the quarterfinals. He then pinned Mercyhurst’s Mike Clark 24 seconds into the second period of the semifinal round to set up a title match against top-seeded Jon Ross of Lock Haven. Bond needed just 70 seconds to earn his third pin of the afternoon as he took out Ross to claim Bloomsburg’s first individual title in five years. He was named Eastern Wrestling League (EWL) Athlete of the Week for his efforts.



Dr. Sara Pierson Gladney, daughter of Frank Gladney of Iota, Louisiana, has been named Assistant Director of Oncology, Hematology at Kaiser Permanente in Atlanta, Georgia.

Submitted by her father, Frank Gladney, on 1/25/19

BIRTHS

Help us welcome a new arrival in the family!

Adalynn Marie Carson was born on March 11, 2019 at 5:45 PM to parents Jenna and Dan Carson in Lexington, SC. The overjoyed grandparents are Jim and Judy (Gladney) Whitesell. She weighed 9 lbs. 2 oz and was 20.5 inches long. Just in time



to celebrate our heritage on St. Patty’s Day!

OBITUARIES

Betty June Gladney was born December 4, 1932, daughter of Margaret (Larrick) and Walter Graves. She died peacefully at home on Sunday, June 17, 2018. Betty grew up in rural north Missouri; attended schools in Macon and Columbia; and obtained her Bachelor’s degree in Elementary Education from the University of Missouri. She married Wayne Gladney in 1948, and they remained best friends and companions until his death in 2011. After Wayne returned from the Navy, they settled in Columbia. While Betty was working with Wayne and her parents at their first restaurant, the “G&G”, Suzanne was born; Rebecca followed the next year. Several more restaurants, a rooming house, donut shop, motel, laundry and delivery business kept Betty and Wayne busy. She began

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were they leaders of the community, what did they do to help their neighbors, and did they have goals and ambitions for their children?. Did they have smiling eyes or a captivating singing voice? So many questions.

Over the past two hundred and fifty years, our ancestors migrated throughout this great country of ours. Like the birds that return every spring after a long winter or the salmon that swim upstream to their spawning grounds, the Gladney Family returns to Winnsboro every other year. I look out over the South Carolina landscape and try to imagine what life must have been like for these first settlers. Every time I visit the cemetery, I feel the pain of our Gladneys that had to bury their loved ones. My heart fills with pride that they came to a new land not knowing what might happen and built a new life, not only for themselves, but for each of us.

I encourage you all to return home to Winnsboro this July and enjoy the bond that only a Gladney understands.

Love to All,
Dan

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her teaching career for one year in St. Clair, Missouri, and then many years in the first grade classroom at Russell Boulevard in the Columbia Public Schools. In her retirement, Betty led bus tours to many states and foreign countries.

Betty loved her family. She and Wayne were lifelong partners. Betty took active interest in Suzanne and Rebecca's education, music lessons, band and orchestra. While teaching, Betty held things together at home, worked in

the restaurants, coordinated the design and building of the house on Country Lane, made endless batches of fudge and banana nut bread, maintained flower gardens and "the circle" in front of the house, planned international trips for Wayne and herself, and helped both her parents and in-laws as they aged. Betty was always busy.

Grandchildren arrived with Charlene, Elizabeth and Sarah. Betty and Wayne's lives were happily changed to provide care for the girls, and friendship and hospitality to the girls' friends and foreign exchange students who lived with the girls and Rebecca over the years.

Betty was dedicated to her classroom students and their parents; the many students and staff who worked in the restaurants over the decades; and to community service through the Columbia Garden Club and ABWA.

Betty is survived by her children, their spouses and grandchildren, whose stories she shared with everyone: Suzanne Gladney and Alan Lubert, Rebecca and Eddie Fahrendorf; grandchildren:

Charlene Graznak and Bobbi Gourley, Elizabeth and Katie Graznak, Sarah and Pat Schloss; and great grandchildren: Sylvia Graznak, and Mary, Patrick, Joseph, John, Ruth, Jacob, Peter, Martha June and Simon Schloss.

Many thanks to the incredible caregivers, Katie and Sylvia; the loving and capable team from Home Instead Senior Care; Zach, RN and the team from Hospice Compassus; and for the decades of care and friendship

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from Dr. Jerry Kennett, MD.

Betty died peacefully at home in Columbia, on Sunday, June 17, 2018. She loved to recount stories from her life and travels and now her family and friends hold those memories in their hearts. We will be forever grateful for the loving and accepting family our mother and father created.

In Betty's memory, and to maintain beautiful garden spots around Columbia, donations will be graciously accepted by the Columbia Garden Club, c/o Evette Nissen, 10721 S. LaVista, Columbia, Mo. 65202. Mom would ask that we laugh often, hug a lot, know you can never be too kind, too gentle or thank your friends and family enough.

A gathering of family and friends will take place at 12:00pm, noon, Sunday, July 15, followed by a service at 1:00 pm; both at Parker-Millard Funeral Service.

Arrangements are under the direction of Parker-Millard Funeral Service and Crematory; 12 East Ash Street, Columbia, Missouri, 65203; (573) 449-4153. Condolences may be left online for the family at www.ParkerMillard.com

IRISH STUDIES VISIT

Janice Sakash

If anyone is interested in coming to Charleston prior to or after the reunion to find out more about the Irish Studies Special Collection Department at College of Charleston library, please let me know. Contact me at janice.sakash@comcast.net or 843-763-0227 (home) or 843-614-2213 (cell).

It is about a 2 hour drive from Blythewood, depending on traffic. I will be glad to set it up with Dr. Joe Kelly, if he is available, or

the library contact person in the Special Collection Department and meet you there.

It is quite interesting to see the techniques they have there to preserve materials. It would hopefully answer any questions if you want to consider donating memorabilia from your Gladney ancestors so it can be preserved for future generations. College of Charleston Library Irish Studies Special Collections will be coordinating with Pelham Lyles, Director of the Fairfield County Library, to cross reference Gladney materials.

If you plan a trip to Charleston any time of the year and want to go by the library please contact me and I will give you all the information.

Also, if you plan to come to Charleston at any time of the year and want more information about participation in the Oral Histories Project regarding the Gladneys with Dr Joe Kelly, Director of the Irish Studies Department, I will coordinate that for you also.

RED GLADNEY BOOK DONATION

Janice Sakash

Do you have an extra copy of Mildred Arnold's Gladneys In America, better known as our "Red Book"? Are you willing to donate it to the College of Charleston Special Collections? If the answer to these questions is YES, please let me know or bring it to the reunion. The Fairfield County Museum has a copy and it can be cross referenced but it would be an asset to have one at College of Charleston also so that it can be preserved. As you know our Gladneys In America "Blue Book" has already been donated to College of Charleston. I look forward to seeing everyone at the reunion in July.

2019 GLADNEY FAMILY REUNION DETAILS

By Judy Whitesell

Come one, Come all! It's almost time for the next Gladney Reunion. Please circle your calendars to attend July 26-28th, 2019. Our hotel base will be the Holiday Inn Express in Blythewood, SC, which is right off Interstate 77 at exit 21.

The motel address is:
Holiday Inn Express and Suites
120 Creech Road
Blythewood, South Carolina 29016

Standard King or Queen rooms are \$105 per night (plus taxes). (A complimentary hot breakfast is included.) You need to dial the hotel directly at 803-333-0315 and give the block code of "GFR" when making your reservation. The room block is open until June 26th. After that date, the regular rates will apply.

The registration form is included with this Gladney Gram as well as on our family web site gladneys.org. The cost for the weekend is \$50 for adults and \$15 for children 3-12 .

Friday, July 26

We are excited to offer three events for families. (The fees to participate are not included in your registration). Each is "self-guided" except for the canoe/kayak tour.

Option 1) A visit to Historic Brattonsville. <http://chmuseums.org/history-hb/> Historic Brattonsville presents the history of the Scots-Irish or Ulster-Scots in the South Carolina upcountry largely through preserving and interpreting the story of the Bratton family. Featuring more than 30 historic structures from the 1760s to the late 19th century, the site provides visitors

with an opportunity to see the evolution of Southern culture and architecture in the South Carolina Piedmont.

Brattonsville is located north of Blythewood about 12 miles (through the country) off of I-77. Those coming south may want to stop there on the way down. It's about an hour's drive away but very informative. The admission is \$8 adults, \$7 seniors, and \$5 for children.

Option 2) Riverbanks Zoo and Gardens in nearby Columbia is consistently rated one of the top 10 zoos in the country. (www.riverbanks.org) Not only does the zoo give us the opportunity to see some amazing animals and beautiful gardens, but it also has "waterfall junction" (kids water spray park) to keep everyone in the family happy. As you might imagine, it's usually very hot in July and the zoo offers indoor and outdoor exhibits to help keep you cool too!

Option 3) Our other "COOL" adventure is to travel down one of the local rivers by kayak or canoe. As stated earlier, the air temperature will most likely be HOT... but the river temperature hovers around 55-60 degrees, which is quite refreshing on a summer day. This excursion would last about 3-4 hours including travel time. The outfitter we use is a non-profit charity to help children in need. The cost would be \$35 per person. (You may donate more if you wish.)

If you are interested in either of these above activities, please let us know to help make those plans.

The official beginning of the reunion will take place at the hotel with check-in in the "breakfast area". We'll gather there for a light supper and time of reconnecting and visiting with one another from 4-10pm.

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Saturday, July 29

Breakfast is included at the hotel and then we'll ride to the Gladney cemetery in Winnsboro.

On Saturday afternoon, we are going to offer the opportunity for guests to go to the SC Archives and History building just a few exits away in Columbia. Hope Spillane will be heading this activity. Please contact her directly to share if you are interested. Her email is hspillane@bellsouth.net.

Saturday evening, we will enjoy our banquet meal together at Cedar Creek Baptist Church at 6:30PM. It's just 7.5 miles away and very spacious. Directions are easy to follow. * see below* We are following up on several leads for our speaker of the evening. Follow our association on FaceBook for the most current information.

Back by popular demand.....We're offering your choice of a 1) Low Country Boil (Shrimp, sausage and corn on the cob) or 2) Sliced Ham. There is a registration fee of \$50 per adult and \$15 per child (ages 3-12).

Sunday morning, July 30

We'll gather to have a few moments of reflection, say our good-byes, and adjourn until the following year when we travel to TEXAS!

DIRECTIONS TO CEDAR CREEK BAPTIST CHURCH

Address:
1920 Cedar Creek Road
Blythewood, SC

Turn LEFT out of the hotel parking lot and then turn LEFT on Blythewood Road. Follow it for 4.4 miles until it dead-ends. Turn

RIGHT onto Hwy 321 and travel 0.4 miles and turn LEFT onto Cedar Creek Road. Travel another 0.5 of miles and you will see the church on the LEFT.

DEAR ANCESTOR

Your tombstone stands among the rest;
Neglected and alone.
The name and date are chiseled out
On polished, marbled stone.

It reaches out to all who care
It is too late to mourn.
You did not know that I exist
You died and I was born.

Yet each of us are cells of you
In flesh, in blood, in bone.
Our blood contracts and beats a pulse
Entirely not our own.

Dear Ancestor, the place you filled
One hundred years ago
Spreads out among the ones you left
Who would have loved you so.

I wonder if you lived and loved,
I wonder if you knew
That someday I would find this spot,
And come to visit you.



Complete and return along with amount due to:
Terry Burkemper, 290 Gnade Rd., Elsberry, MO 63343
Phone: 660-216-5619 email: *genterburk@gmail.com*

RESERVATIONS FOR BLYTHEWOOD, SC REUNION—JULY 26-28, 2019
You are responsible for making your own room reservations. Call hotel directly at (803) 333-0315.

Descendant of : Richard _____ Samuel _____ Thomas _____

INDIVIDUAL(S) NAMES (list all attending reunion - \$50.00 per adult / \$15 per child 3-12)

TOTAL REUNION AMOUNT (number of adults x \$50.00): _____

PLUS (number of children x \$15.00): _____

DUES FOR 2019-2020 ENCLOSED (\$15.00): YES _____ AMOUNT \$ _____

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Cathy's Corner

Some of you who follow me on FaceBook already know that Jimmy and I recently purchased a motor home. It's a 1998 Minnie Winnie and needed a bit of work. We had the windshield replaced by professionals. All other work was done by the two of us. We made new drawers and cabinet doors for the kitchen and then we ripped up the 20 year old flooring and replaced it with vinyl plank flooring. I was taking down the old folding shower curtain and got involved with some mold. I ended up taking the walls out down to the studs. It's all back together now and we are planning short trips closer to home to get used to driving it.

Our first night in the RV was in our driveway. We had one rule, no trips inside the house. All went well except for the tornado warnings during the night. It woke me up but, I just listened in case it got rough. It woke Jimmy up and he said the next morning that it was soothing to him.

We have since spent a couple of nights at the new Chattahoochee Bend State Park

here in Newnan, only 10 miles down the road. I think we did well. There were some things that we forgot to pack but, we managed without the them. Just made a note for next time. There were lots of dog walkers in the park. We walked to the "Hooch" and did a little fishing but, it was so windy that we didn't get a bite. And, we found that the 20 year old smoke detector works extremely well.

Our second real trip was to West Point Lake. We had a beautiful waterfront lot with neighbors that had two very barking dogs. We again got no bites while fishing. But, I found a bag full of large fresh water snail shells. Again, that reliable smoke detector let its presence be known.

I was told that we got the older RV as a test to see if this city girl could "handle" camping. I have never been camping in my life. But, I think I did well. We were comfortable, safe, and well fed. We are already planning another long weekend. It just keeps getting better.