

Recollections

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This completes our newsletter's first year. We of the Burlson Family Research Group hope everyone has enjoyed sharing the latest research and contributing your own family news. It has been a busy and productive year with several important discoveries added to our history.

We would really appreciate your comments and suggestions for future issues. To make sure you continue to receive every "Recollections" please send in the enclosed renewal slip.

In each issue we like to introduce our newest subscribers and do an in-depth article on several other members. Our new subscribers are:

- Otha D. Cook
- Betty J. Austin
- Marlene Thompson
- Kathleen B. Efird
- Mrs Joe Lane

In this issue we would like to introduce in-depth PK and Hazel Burlson.



PK and his family at the Grave of Isaac Burlson Sr.

L/R Back Row Jerry, Katherine Elizabeth, Adrienne, Hazel
Front Row Daniel, Christopher and PK Burlson
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On the next two pages we have an article written by PK. This is what we are all about at the Burlson Family Research Group. In 50 years PK's great-great-grandchildren will read this article and know a little information about Adam Burlson. This information would be lost forever if PK didn't take the time and effort to write his memories down for all to read. *We at the BFRG want to thank PK on behalf of his descendants for all the hard work he has done for the preservation of Burlson History.* We hope that many of you will take the time to write some of your memories down for your grandchildren.

PK is the son of Jape and Iler Honeycutt Burlson and grandson of Adam and Sarah Poplin Burlson.

I would like to share a little history on how I first met PK and his wife, Hazel. On my first visit to The Stanly County Library to do some research on the Burlson Family, Lou Koontz (the Librarian) showed me a letter from PK announcing a grave marker dedication for Isaac Burlson Sr. I called PK and he told me that some of his family and members of the Sons of the American Revolution and he and his wife, Hazel, were going to erect the headstone at Isaac Burlson Sr. grave site in May. I met with them and we erected the headstone on May 5, 1995. On May 28th 1995 we had the Grave Marker Dedication Ceremony, performed by the Honor Guard of the NC Sons of the American Revolution. You can read an Article written by PK on page 2 - 3 of the *Recollections* and also on the Burlson Family Research Group's web page www.bfrg.net. From this ceremony the idea of a Burlson Reunion was formed. Thru the hard work of Don Burlson, Hazel Hopkins and PK Burlson we had our First Burlson Family Reunion, on Morrow Mountain in June 1996. Following this reunion the Burlson Family Research Group was started and we had our first meeting in August 1996. There were eight in attendance:

- PK and Hazel Burlson
- John Hoyle Burlson
- Aaron Lorch
- JD and Karol Burlson
- Alvin Burlson
- Tony Burlson

Remembrances of My Grandfather, Adam Burleson

By PK Burleson October 2002

He died when I was only 6 years old and I don't remember many things.

Our family used to visit him quite often, usually on Sundays. He had the first radio I first remembered seeing. Being in the country, they did not have electricity and the radio ran off automobile wet cell and dry cell batteries. The radio was one with 2 large tuning dials and many knobs and switches. The large speaker which sat on top of it looked like a giant Morning Glory.

My dad and older brother installed for him an antenna. It was 2 large poplar poles with a wire in between and down into the window and to the radio. I don't recall which station he received. There was a lot of static and noise on the radio in those days. On Sunday mornings, he loved to listen to preaching on the radio.

I remember on another occasion, he showed my dad a small tobacco patch. I had never seen tobacco plants before. Generally tobacco was not grown in Stanly County. This tobacco patch could not have had more than 20 or 30 plants in it. He pointed out how he rolled some of these tobacco leaves in, what I believe, was molasses and rolled it then up in a horseshoe shape. That was his chewing tobacco.

Granddaddy had a long white beard which came to his waist and he was sometimes careless and stained his beard with tobacco juice.

Everyone used to call granddaddy, "Cap" Burleson. I knew he was in the Civil War and I was always impressed with that so I supposed "Cap" meant he was a real Captain. Later I found out he was a Private. Granddaddy was only in the Civil War for approximately 6 months. He went in as a young lad of 17 years old. General Lee and his troops were in Petersburg at that time. Granddaddy surrendered with General Lee in Appomattox.

The men of the southern army were brave and gallant soldiers. They faced overwhelming odds with no supplies. The only thing they had plenty of was courage. A few days after surrender, grandfather rode a train from Appomattox to Salisbury, NC and walked on into Stanly County and home.

I don't remember him talking about the Civil War and the battles, but my oldest brother, who is now deceased, used to tell some of the things he had heard him say.

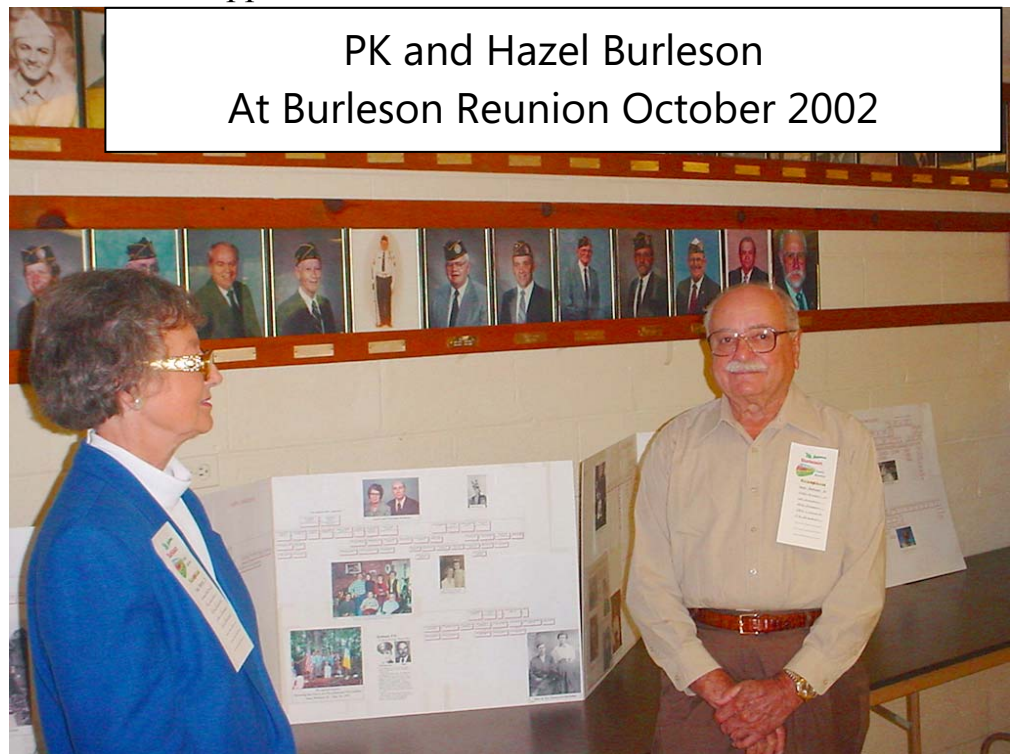


Somewhere in Virginia, he and his troops were running to a wall for cover and it just so happened the northern boys in blue were also running for the same wall and they reached the wall about the same time. They were shooting and bayoneting each other across the wall. He also talked about the hunger they seemed to always have. There was never enough food to eat. Sometime just before the surrender, they were 3 days without food.

Grandfather had a bad leg..he limped badly. Being small, I used to think he was hit with a cannon ball but this was not the case. I found out he and his sons did a lot of coon hunting before radio and TV, which was a form of entertainment. One night he was holding a lantern while his sons were cutting down a tree to a “Possum” when the axe came off the handle and hit my granddaddy in the leg causing the injury. He limped for the rest of his life.

Grandfather was with General Lee at Appomattox for the surrender. History has it that General Lee and General Grant and their Staffs were in the McLean House where the surrender took place. However, many ordinary soldiers from both armies assumed the surrender took place under an old apple tree. The reason for this is that these officers, from both sides, attended West Point and they knew each other and were friends before the war; and they met each day under the old Apple Tree to renew old acquaintances. It was only natural that the ordinary soldiers might think this was the place the surrender took place. After the surrender was announced, the southern soldiers cut down the old apple tree and cut it up in small pieces for souvenirs. Granddaddy Burleson brought one of the pieces back with him to Stanly County. After he passed away, it was at our house for many years, and I never did know what happened to it.

Granddaddy Burleson was interested in the Confederate Veterans organizations and like many of the man, had a new uniform made; and several times a year, my father would drive him down to Ansonville on a Sunday to have dinner with old General Smith. Once a year, there would be a huge gathering at General Smith’s house for a reunion. I understand many rebel yells rang out. This old uniform stayed in our



home for many years after my Granddaddy died; and sometime during World War II, my mother threw it away. It was badly stained with tobacco juice.

Pvt. Adam BURLESON of Stanly County, N. C., Confederate States Army.
(Mrs. WATKINS great-grandfather.)

Adam BURLESON, formerly spelled BURLEYSON, son of Lee and Elizabeth (Betsey) BURLESON was born in Stanly Co., N. C. near Albemarle. On June 1, 1864, at age 17, he enlisted in the Confederate army at Camp Holmes, Raleigh, N. C., and he became a private in Company G, 1st Inf. Regt. N. C. Junior Reserves. The Muster-in roll gave his description as follows: height, 5'7½"; complexion, fair; hair, light; eyes, blue.

After a short period of training he was sent to a post at Weldon, N. C. While in Weldon he did not know that his father, Lee, age 39, was dying in the local Confederate military hospital of "intermittent fever". His father passed away Oct. 15, 1864, and was buried in the nearby Confederate military cemetery. On that same date, Oct. 15, 1864, Adam was transferred to Company D, 28th N. C. Inf. Regt., a combat-hardened unit serving in the Petersburg, Va. siege lines. Adam joined this unit at Petersburg. During that period the 28th Regt. was part of the Third Army Corps commanded by Lt. Gen. Ambrose P. HILL. Under this corps were Wilcox's Division, commanded by Maj. Gen. Cadmus M. WILCOX and Lane's Brigade, commanded by Brig. Gen. James H. LANE. The following infantry units were in Lane's Brigade: 7th N. C. Regt., 18th N. C. Regt., 28th N. C. Regt., and the 37th N. C. Regiment.

During the fall and winter of 1864-65, Wilcox's Division held the left of the Third Corps front at Petersburg. This six-mile front, located south and southwest of town, extended from Fort Gregg to Burgess' Mill. Gen. LANE's Brigade occupied the section of the siege line just east of Fort Gregg and included the fortification known as Fort Lee.

During the last half of 1864 and the first quarter of 1865, the Union Army, commanded by Maj. Gen. U. S. GRANT, hammered away at the thin-spread Confederate line. The Confederate army, badly out-numbered and short on food, clothing, medical and military supplies and equipment, was in a bad way.

Finally, on April 2, 1865, the Union forced through the outer defenses of Petersburg at Fort Gregg and Lane's Brigade was cut in two. The survivors retreated to the inner line, but this too was soon pierced and the Federals, at one point, broke through to the Appomattox River. Petersburg was doomed.

The night of April 2-3, 1865, the Confederates evacuated the city, crossed the Appomattox River, and then retreated west toward Amelia Court House, Va. A few hours later, Richmond, the Confederate capital, was evacuated and Federal forces marched in.

The Confederate army, with the Union army following, retreated through Amelia Court House, Farmville, etc. and finally was cornered at Appomattox Court House, Va., where it surrendered on April 9, 1865. At Appomattox, Adam was paroled by the Union army and he returned home to Stanly Co. where he spent the rest of his life farming. Note: Information from family and official sources. Adam married Sarah Ann POPLIN, daughter of David POPLIN.

We are in the process of publishing our 3rd book *The Descendants of Adam and Sarah Burlson*. It will be ready in May 2003.

The Third Daughter of Isaac Burleson Jr. Re-Discovered

Ever since I started to research my Burleson family in Almond Township I would occasionally come to a gap I couldn't fill. This happened many times and later upon finding additional information, some of these gaps would be filled. That is why I started researching the Almond Family. There are several serious researchers working on the Almond line and I expect a definitive publication in the future.

Reviewing all the Almond information, I found an article in the new Stanly County Heritage Book submitted by Tena B. Almond Lackey of Malvern, AR. The article identifies all her ancestors in Arkansas back to Dink Almond. Dink moved to Arkansas from Stanly County, NC in 1896. According to the Arkansas native, Dink's parents are Larkin Almond, son of Martin Almond and Mary Hatley. Mary Hatley was the daughter Hardy Hatley. His mother was Elizabeth Burleson, daughter of Isaac Jr. and Christine Burleson. This caught my eye and I began to check to see if this was possible.

Larkin and Elizabeth are listed in the 1850 census. Elizabeth's age indicates that she was born in 1828. In my search of the 1830 census we find Isaac Jr. with three daughters, the oldest between 10 and 15 years old, this is Dovie (married Absalom Harwood); one between 5 and 10 years old, this is Christine (married Achilles Almond Jr.); and one between 1 and 5 years old, this could be Elizabeth.

Isaac Jr. is not recorded in the 1840 census therefore we can make no judgment, but so far it looks entirely possible that Elizabeth is the daughter of Isaac Jr. and Catherine Burleson. I am definitely going to write to Mrs. Lackey in Malvern, AR for copies of any documentation she may have on this line.

There are two facts that would connect the Isaac Burleson family and Larkin/Elizabeth Almond family. First, the fact that Isaac and Catherine are buried in what was known in the 1930's as the Larkin Almond Cemetery. This cemetery was destroyed by 1980. Last and most important, I examined the Family Bible of Billie and Roda Burleson. Grandpa Billie had wonderful handwriting. His entries can clearly be distinguished from other entries. Billie entered his Mother's and Father's birth and death dates. Other than his parents and children, the only other entries belong to Dovie Harwood died in 1893 and Elizabeth Almond died April 9, 1893.

I know Dovie was a sister to Billie and now I 'm convinced that Elizabeth Almond was also a sister. I am satisfied we have filled another gap in the Burleson/Almond Families.

John Hoyle Burleson

WOW!!!! For a genealogist this is like finding a gold mine. **Congratulations** to John Hoyle Burleson for this discovery. We are constantly putting pieces of the puzzle together. We would constantly find Larkin Almond listed next to the Burlesons in the census and on several land deeds. Now with this discovery we know how he is connected with our Burleson Family. Below is the Isaac Burleson Jr. family sheet, with Elizabeth added.

Descendants of ISAAC BURLESON JR

1. ISAAC BURLESON⁴ JR (*ISAAC BURLESON³ SR, ? JOHN² BURLESON, AARON¹*) was born 1784, and died July 4, 1863 in STANLY CO NC. He married CATHERINE CASTLE 1810, daughter of THOMAS CASTLE and ELIZABETH COLTER. She was born 1789, and died 1867.

More About ISAAC BURLESON JR:

Fact 1: 1810, Census Mont Co NC male 1, 16-26, females 1, under 10, 1 16-26

Fact 2: 1830, Census Mont Co NC male 1 under 5, 1, 5-10, 3 10-15, 1, 40-50

Fact 3: 1830, females 1, under 5, 1, 5-10, 1, 10-15, 1, 30-40

Fact 4: 1850, Stanly Co NC 430/431, page 28 shows Isaac Burleson age 66, Catharine age 60, Nathan, age 18, Sarah Cassel age 6, and John Moss, age 50

Fact 5: 1860, Stanly Co NC Isaac Burleyson, age 76 & Catherine age 71

Children of ISAAC JR and CATHERINE CASTLE are:

- i. WILLIAM (BILLIE)⁵ BURLESON, b. January 29, 1812, MONTGOMERY CO NC; d. November 27, 1896, FRIENDSHIP METH CH CEM STANLY CO NC; m. (1) SARAH HARWOOD; b. 1810; d. October 1855, SUSIE HARWOOD CEMETERY, STANLY CO NC; m. (2) RHODA SPRINGER; b. 1836; d. BEAR CREEK BAP CH STANLY CO NC.
More About WILLIAM (BILLIE) BURLESON: Fact 1: April 10, 1864, drafted Co D 34th Scales Bde, age 52 150
- ii. JONATHAN BURLESON, b. 1814, NC; m. (1) PERMELIA; b. 1814, NC; m. (2) JANE RICHARDS, Dec 10, 1865, HARDIN CO TN.
- iii. DOVIE BURLESON, b. 1818; m. ABSALOM HARWOOD, 1832; b. June 6, 1812; d. December 23, 1885.

- iv. CHRISTINA (TENY) BURLESON, b. January 20, 1820, MONTGOMERY CO NC; d. October 19, 1901, JOHN ALMOND CEM STANLY CO NC; m. ACHELLIS (JR) ALMOND; b. 1823; d. March 1863, JOHN ALMOND CEM STANLY CO NC.
- v. JOSEPH BURLESON, b. October 17, 1822, MONTGOMERY CO NC; d. February 24, 1902, FRIENDSHIP METH CH CEM; m. (1) LUCY B. ALMOND; b. September 25, 1823; d. September 29, 1892, FRIENDSHIP METH CH CEM OLD ALBEMARLE CEM; m. (2) JANE WHITLEY; b. 1844; d. December 2, 1922.

Notes for JOSEPH BURLESON:

Joseph Burleyson Private Company K 57th North Carolina Jubal Early's Division

- vi. LEE BURLESON, b. 1826, Montgomery Co NC; d. October 15, 1864, Weldon NC; m. ELIZABETH ALMOND, 1846, STANLY CO NC; b. 1824, Montgomery Co NC; d. November 29, 1903, CANTON BAP CH STANLY CO NC.

More About LEE BURLESON:

Fact 1: October 15, 1864, Died IN CIVIL WAR at a field hospita in Weldon NC

- vii. ELIZABETH BETSY BURLESON, b. 1828; m. LARKIN SR ALMOND, Bef. 1847; b. 1829.
- viii. NATHAN BURLESON, b. 1835, MONTGOMERY CO NC; d. June 16, 1863, RICHMOND VA; m. (1) MARTHA J. HATLEY; b. July 4, 1835; d. June 4, 1918; m. (2) MARY (POLLY) ALMOND

Descendants of ELIZABETH BETSY BURLESON

1. ELIZABETH BETSY⁵ BURLESON (*ISAAC BURLESON⁴ JR, ISAAC BURLESON³ SR, ? JOHN² BURLESON, AARON¹*) was born 1828. She married LARKIN SR ALMOND Bef. 1847. He was born 1829.

Children of ELIZABETH BURLESON and LARKIN ALMOND are:

- i. JACK⁶ ALMOND.
- ii. MARY ALMOND, m. ACHABALD SMITH.
- iii. CATHARINE ALMOND, b. 1847; m. JOHN H. LOWDER, February 11, 1872, STANLY CO NC.
- 2. iv. TENIA ALMOND, b. April 19, 1851, STANLY CO NC; d. November 12, 1936, CANTON BAPT CH CEM.
- v. SOPHRONIA ALMOND, b. 1854; m. JOHN WHITE.
- vi. JAMES ACHILLES ALMOND, b. 1856; m. JULIE ANN WHITLEY, September 14, 1876, STANLY CO NC; b. 1856.
- vii. HIRAM ALMOND, b. 1858; m. LUCINDA BURRIS.
- viii. PENNY ALMOND, b. 1860; m. LARKIN LEE VANHOY.
- ix. ELIZABETH ALMOND, b. 1862; m. LARKIN VANHOY; b. 1863.
- x. LARKIN JR. ALMOND, b. 1864.
- xi. MARGARET ALMOND, b. 1867.

Notes for MARGARET ALMOND:

MARGARET WAS KILLED BY LIGHTENING WHILE STANDING AT THE DOOR WATCHING A THUNDER STORM

- xii. BENTON ALMOND, b. 1869.
- 3. xiii. DINK ALMOND, b. June 20, 1871, STANLY CO NC; d. June 4, 1955, PLEASANT HILL CEMETERY, HOT SPRINGS ARKANSAS.

Generation No. 2

2. TENIA⁶ ALMOND (*ELIZABETH BETSY⁵ BURLESON, ISAAC BURLESON⁴ JR, ISAAC BURLESON³ SR, ? JOHN² BURLESON, AARON¹*) was born April 19, 1851 in STANLY CO NC, and died November 12, 1936 in CANTON BAPT CH CEM. She married WEDDINGTON BURLESON February 11, 1874, son of JOSEPH BURLESON and LUCY ALMOND. He was born April 19, 1855 in STANLY CO NC, and died November 9, 1908 in CANTON CH CEM STANLY CO NC.

Children of TENIA ALMOND and WEDDINGTON BURLESON are:

- i. ERASTUS HILLIARD⁷ BURLESON, b. August 24, 1875, STANLY CO NC; d. December 27, 1959, CANTON BAPT CH CEM; m. HESTER LLOYD, November 9, 1909, ROCK HILL SC; b. June 10, 1888; d. January 22, 1959, CANTON BAPT CH CEM.
- ii. CHANEY ESTHER BURLESON, b. June 6, 1878; d. November 23, 1910, CANTON BAPT CH CEM.
- iii. MOLLIE BURLESON, b. 1879.
- iv. SAMUEL BURLESON, b. February 4, 1883, STANLY CO NC; d. August 10, 1969, CANTON BAP CH STANLEY CO NC; m. HATTIE MORRIS, January 11, 1917; b. October 26, 1889; d. March 11, 1923, CANTON BAP CH STANLY CO NC.
- v. SHINE GURLEY BURLESON, b. April 14, 1885, STANLY CO NC; d. April 21, 1969, FAIRVIEW MEM PARK ALBEMARLE NC; m. (1) MAGGIE HARPER, March 27, 1910; b. July 15, 1893; d. June 3, 1914, CANTON BAP CH STANLEY CO NC; m. (2) ANNIE MORTON, October 30, 1916, STANLY CO NC.
- vi. MAUDE BURLESON, b. June 29, 1887, STANLY CO NC; d. February 25, 1940, CANTON BAP CHURCH STANLY CO NC; m.

HENRY M. PARKER, February 5, 1904; b. September 5, 1882; d. May 8, 1948, CANTON CHURCH CEM.

- vii. BILLY B. BURLESON, b. October 4, 1894, STANLY CO NC; d. October 30, 1962, CANTON BAPT CH CEM; m. JOSSIE HARPER, April 26, 1914; b. April 21, 1896; d. October 26, 1970, CANTON BAP CHURCH STANLY CO NC.

3. DINK⁶ ALMOND (*ELIZABETH BETSY⁵ BURLESON, ISAAC BURLESON⁴ JR, ISAAC BURLESON³ SR, ? JOHN² BURLESON, AARON¹*) was born June 20, 1871 in STANLY CO NC, and died June 4, 1955 in PLEASANT HILL CEMETERY, HOT SPRINGS ARKANSAS. He married ADA JANE "JENNIE" WALLACE March 30, 1912, daughter of JOSEPH WALLACE and JANE SKAGGS. She died July 29, 1929 in PLEASANT HILL CEMETERY, HOT SPRINGS ARKANSAS.

Children of DINK ALMOND and ADA WALLACE are:

- i. TENA B. ALMOND, m. GUSSIE DAVID LACKEY, Dec 28, 1939.
- ii. CARL EVINS ALMOND.
- iii. HUGH VANCE ALMOND.
- iv. RUBY JANE ALMOND.
- v. WALLACE EUGENE ALMOND.



Burleson Family Reunion

October 21, 2002

Our Reunion was a great success. The theme this year was early home places in Stanly County. We had several large maps that showed the locations of over 75 early farms and home places of Burleson and related families. Several homes

were added at the reunion.



Here is a photo of all the descendants of R. Hurley Burleson who attended our Reunion. Front row, L/R Jay Brice & Betty Russell Burleson, Carol Westbrook Burleson, Carolyn Hughes Burleson, Hunter Paul and Angie Burleson Rudisill, Lucienne Burleson Morris Second row, Cindy & Ron Dry, Hilda Burleson Snuggs, Pauline Burleson Ingram, Dewey Duke Burleson Jr., Bradey Rudisill, Johnny Paul Burleson

Hilda Burleson Snuggs talked about her grandfather's, Ralph Hurley Burleson, farm. See page 154 for what she told everyone at the reunion.

Back row Dwight, Deron, Shanda, middle row, Alisha, Brandi, Joyce, in front Dereck and Erin Smith.



Descendants of JOYCE IRENE BURLESON

JOYCE IRENE⁹ BURLESON (*ABSALOM TAFT⁸, JOHN FLORENCE⁷, ABSALOM⁶, WILLIAM (BILLIE)⁵, ISAAC BURLESON⁴ JR, ISAAC BURLESON³ SR, ? JOHN² BURLESON, AARON¹*) was born February 2, 1943. She married DWIGHT L. SMITH December 19, 1969 in STANLY CO NC.

Children of JOYCE BURLESON and DWIGHT SMITH are:

2. i. DERON LOUIS SMITH, b. June 1, 1973, STANLY CO NC.
- ii. SHONDA DAWN SMITH, b. July 3, 1979.
- iii. ALISHA JOY SMITH, b. March 18, 1981.

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2. DERON LOUIS¹⁰ SMITH (*JOYCE IRENE⁹ BURLESON, ABSALOM TAFT⁸, JOHN FLORENCE⁷, ABSALOM⁶, WILLIAM (BILLIE)⁵, ISAAC BURLESON⁴ JR, ISAAC BURLESON³ SR, ? JOHN² BURLESON, AARON¹*) was born June 1, 1973 in STANLY CO NC. He married BRANDI MASON October 29, 1994 in STANLY CO NC. She was born July 7, 1976.

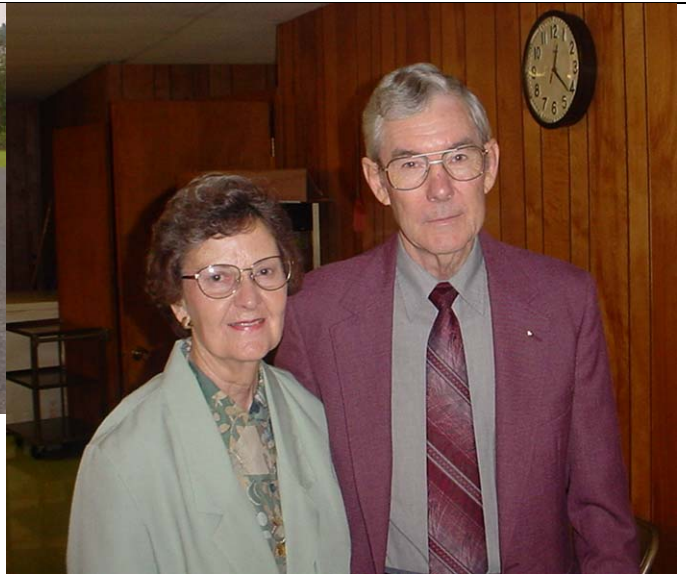
Children of DERON SMITH and BRANDI MASON are:

- i. DEREK LOUIS¹¹ SMITH, b. April 8, 1994, CMC, CHARLOTTE, NC MECKLENBURG CO.
- ii. ERIN BEANE SMITH, b. January 4, 1996, SMH, ALBEMARLE, NC STANLY CO.



Lucienne Burleson Morris, Mary Burleson Eudy, Janet & Don Burleson, Sarah Dry and Alice Holt

Guide Horse for the visually impaired
Don & Janet Burleson raise and train them
 See page 158-159 for article



Kenneth and Bobbie Nell Burleson Efir



LB Teeter addressing our reunion, he is the grandson of Gus Burleson. He told how his grandfather was a share cropper and several of the different places he remember him living.

LB is one of our WWII Veterans and he has given us pictures of the aircraft that he flew in during the war. In a future issue we will do a full story on his military days in WWII.

Descendants of ELLA JANE BURLESON

1. ELLA JANE⁸ BURLESON (*AUGUSTUS GRAHAM⁷, WILLIAM HOMES⁶, WILLIAM (BILLIE)⁵, ISAAC BURLESON⁴ JR, ISAAC BURLESON³ SR, ? JOHN² BURLESON, AARON¹*) was born January 16, 1899, and died November 9, 1955 in CANTON BAPTIST CHURCH, STANLY CO NC. She married THERA ALONZO TEETER November 27, 1918. He was born October 5, 1901, and died October 20, 1981 in CANTON BAPTIST CHURCH, STANLY CO NC.

Children of ELLA BURLESON and THERA TEETER are:

- i. HELEN⁹ TEETER.
 - ii. EUNICE TEETER, b. January 30, 1921; m. CHARLIE HARRINGTON.
2. ii i.LUTHER B. TEETER, b. Jun 12, 1923, STANLY CO NC.
 Iv .MARGARET TEETER, b. July 22, 1928; m. RAY BURRIS.

Generation No. 2

2. LUTHER B.⁹ TEETER (*ELLA JANE⁸ BURLESON, AUGUSTUS GRAHAM⁷, WILLIAM HOMES⁶, WILLIAM (BILLIE)⁵, ISAAC BURLESON⁴ JR, ISAAC BURLESON³ SR, ? JOHN² BURLESON, AARON¹*) was born June 12, 1923 in STANLY CO NC. He married RUTH BARBEE. She was born June 13, 1922 in STANLY CO NC.

Children of LUTHER TEETER and RUTH BARBEE are:

- 3. i. NICKY¹⁰ TEETER, b. October 25, 1947.
- 4. ii. GAIL TEETER, b. July 26, 1952.
- 5. iii. PHILLIP TEETER, b. May 26, 1956.

Generation No. 3

3. NICKY TEETER (LUTHER B.9, ELLA JANE⁸ BURLESON,



Thera Alonzo and Ella Jane Burleson Teeter

Thanks to LB Teeter for supplying these pictures of his parents and him and his sisters when they were young.

AUGUSTUS GRAHAM⁷, WILLIAM HOMES⁶, WILLIAM (BILLIE)⁵, ISAAC BURLESON⁴ JR, ISAAC BURLESON³ SR, ? JOHN² BURLESON, AARON¹) was born October 25, 1947. He married BRINDA MORGAN.

Children of NICKY TEETER and BRINDA MORGAN are:

i. SCOTT TEETER.

ii. NATICIA TEETER.

4. GAIL TEETER (LUTHER B.⁹, ELLA JANE⁸ BURLESON, AUGUSTUS GRAHAM⁷, WILLIAM HOMES⁶, WILLIAM (BILLIE)⁵, ISAAC BURLESON⁴ JR, ISAAC BURLESON³ SR, ? JOHN² BURLESON, AARON¹) was born July 26, 1952. She married WILLIE D. JR LAWHON.

Children of GAIL TEETER and WILLIE LAWHON are:

i. ERIK LAWHON.

ii. CORY P. LAWHON.

5. PHILLIP TEETER (LUTHER B.⁹, ELLA JANE⁸ BURLESON, AUGUSTUS GRAHAM⁷, WILLIAM HOMES⁶, WILLIAM (BILLIE)⁵, ISAAC BURLESON⁴ JR, ISAAC BURLESON³ SR, ? JOHN² BURLESON, AARON¹) was born May 26, 1956. He married SALLY JENKINS. Child of PHILLIP TEETER and SALLY JENKINS is:

i. TRENT TEETER.



Eunice, Margaret, Helen and LB Teeter

The program for the annual BFRG gathering in October 2002 put emphasis on Burlson farms in the past. These notes are memories of the three youngest children of Klou Roy and Lena Lowder Burlson. While traveling through some of the states in the west prior to the reunion, we had time to help each other remember small moments of our past on a Burlson farm.

Dad's Name

Johnny remembered the story of the origin of Dad's name. At some time in the past there was a favorite slave by the name of Klou who worked on the Burlson farm. He was a good worker, hard worker, and was liked by all. He was in an accident up on Gold Branch which flowed west from the gold mine area across the northern part of the Burlson tract. A tree fell on the slave Klou and he died. He is buried with several other slaves about 25 feet north of Burlson Cemetery # 1. Grandma Lillie remembered him and named our dad after him.

Division of Land

Grandpa Hurley and his brother Fred inherited the Joshua Hearne tract of land from their mother Mary Hearne Burlson. The land lay between Canton Church Road and Red Hill south of Hatley Farm Road and another tract along Hwy. 24/27. Over time, Fred sold his land and moved to Albemarle where he lived and operated a store. Grandpa Hurley divided his estate so that each child could live on a small farm tract or receive rental property. Each child paid him one-fourth of their crops or rent each year until his death. Then they inherited their tracts or house.

Naming Fields

Each field on Grandpa Hurley's place was named so that in making plans and giving directions, everyone knew the exact location. Some of the names were the long field, old bottom, machine field, gum spring, etc. Plans for all the farming began at Grandpas and each child helped the other with plowing, sowing, and gathering. Equipment was shared. It was much like a community.

Burlson Gatherings

Grandpa Hurley liked for the family to gather. He planned meals with children and grandchildren as often as he could. One Thanksgiving was memorable. We got out of school the day before Thanksgiving at noon. Grandpa had all parents who could gather to prepare a Thanksgiving lunch which was ready when we got off the school bus. What a feast and what good memories! I'll never forget the aroma of that meal.

Keeping Traditions Alive

Thurman attempted to keep the family gatherings alive after Grandpa Hurley died. I remember one in particular. It was during the war years and our mom had begun public work and needed all her time at home on weekends. Thurman planned a picnic at Morrow Mountain State Park for Sunday for all the families. Mama maintained all week that we would not be able to go. Of course we were especially good and kept dropping hints and hoping. As late as Saturday evening the prospects of going were slim. But when we got up on Sunday morning to do our chores, we found that Mama had woken up early, had gone to Uncle Newt, who opened his store next door, and had brought enough picnic food for us to go on the outing. The photos of that outing helped us relive the fun and remember the good times we had.

More memories of life on a Burlson farm by Johnny, Del, and Hilda:

CORN SHUCKINGS

We remember helping with corn shuckings at each of the homes on Burlson Road when we were small. Corn would be pulled, hauled in wagons, and piled in long heaps in barnyards. At some homes watermelons and bottles of pop would be hidden in the piles as treats for the workers. If anyone found a red ear of corn, it was a custom to kiss the nearest girl. On a good evening with plenty of neighbors and kin to help, the corn would be finished and the shucks put away in a shed before stopping. To round up the shucks, each man would clasp his right arm across the shoulder on his right and his left arm around the waist to his left to form a long chain. Walking close together and kicking the shucks ahead of the chain, most of them could be carried along to the place for storage. Meanwhile, the women would have headed to the kitchen to finish the chicken stew that had been simmering. After much good food, families would plan the next shucking and head home.

JOHNNY REMEMBERS:

Grandpa Hurley had had an unsuccessful cataract operation and wore a black patch over one eye. He would ask a grandson to go with him to "sprout" a new ground and would always take his shotgun. He was known to be a marksman with his gun. Johnny would watch as he would scare up a covey of birds getting one with shot from one barrel as they rose in flight and at times two more with the other barrel as they crossed in flight. Grandpa felt it his duty to make sure the boys knew about the land that would be theirs someday. On their walks, he would always point out corners and property lines. Chewing tobacco was grown on the place from 20 to 30 plants each season. The tobacco was woven into twists. The twist would be placed in a 18" wooden box and put between a vise and a floor joist under the house to cure. Grandpa would mix the new tobacco with some of his old to keep a supply all year. Until he got sick, he chewed his tobacco daily while Grandma Lillie dipped snuff. He also kept home brew and some wines that were made on the place in the smokehouse in his barnyard. Grandpa Hurley had a 1937 truck with an Arvin box heater which Johnny remembers. A very serious expression Johnny remembers of Grandpa when he really meant business was "That's all there is in 'ter about it" probably meaning "and that's all there is to say about it." And he used the expression often. Grandma Lillie outlived Grandpa, but he said often before he became sick, "Lillie is failing fast." Johnny also remembers Grandma Lillie scraping her apple

with a spoon and as she ate, her nose seemed to almost touch her chin. Also her dress-up outfit was a black hat and a black dress with a white lace collar. That was good for doctor's appointments, funerals, homecomings and any occasion. When Mama would send Johnny, Ted, and Jay out to check on Grandma Lillie and visit a while in the evening, she would share tales. One (which was disproved long ago) Grandma told about her cow Dollie coming in for milking making mournful bellowing sounds because of a coach whip snake which had attached itself to the cow's side and was whipping it from side to side. Of course the grandsons took in every word. Later they learned that the coach whip snake is usually about 18 inches in length and has a tail somewhat like a braid of hair. They crawl on a log and make a whipping sound to stay warm, and the sound can be heard for a distance.

DEL REMEMBERS:

Grandma Lillie was the best apple-peeler around. With the pocket knife she always carried in her apron, she would start at the top of the apple and the peel would be in one long chain all the way to the bottom of the apple. Del remembers the hum of the fan in Grandpa Hurley's sick room which was a former sitting room but was turned into a sickroom for him. In that same room, Johnny remembers a small cup of kerosene under each bedpost as added assurance there would be no chinch bug on any bed. There was always a Thanksgiving turkey in the barnyard. One particular one made Del its prey and would attempt to flog her as she neared. One happy time during cotton-picking times on the farm, Del remembers that Mama made a cotton sack that fit perfectly and did not drag along on the ground the way the others had. Del also remembers the cotton sheets that were tied to four cotton stalks and used to dump the cotton bags as the pickers stopped to unload.

HILDA REMEMBERS:

Grandma Lillie baked teacakes each Thursday afternoon. They would remind you of a Pecan Sandie today without the pecans. She would use white feed sacks that had been washed and bleached in the place of paper towels. She baked enough to last a week. We always made a visit to Grandma's on Thursday. I remember sweeping our gravel/dirt yard with brush brooms made of dogwood limbs. The tops would serve as the bristles. All chaff and bits of straw or twigs would be swept so that the yard was neat. We had a push lawnmower, but it had no motor. If the grass got too high, we had a major job mowing the small amount of lawn we tended. I remember a huge threshing machine that would go from farm to farm after the harvest and would shake the grain from the stalk and leave the straw. Each farmer was on a list, and neighbors would follow the machine and give a hand on threshing day. Again, the women would prepare a huge lunch with several families pitching in with the meat, vegetables, desserts, and breads. A bailer would also be passed from farm to farm for bailing the hay and straw. There was also a molasses-making process that was located near Mr. Ralph Burluson's place. The cane would be carried, run through a juicer, which would fall into a vat for boiling. When the juice boiled just the right amount of time, it would be ladled into jars. I remember Grandpa Hurley's cane. We would see him walking over the hill to our house. Mama had us prepare a good chair for him. Grandpa would sit and cool for a while, then he would reach out with his cane and hook it around our neck and we would sit beside him or on his knee until he had gotten around to spending a little time with each child.

Con't from Volume 4,

Recollections

Honoring the Teachers of the Burluson Family Past and Present

Fannie Poplin Burluson

Fannie Poplin Burluson, is the widow of Randall Burluson. She lives in Lumberton, NC. She taught the 5th thru the 8th grades for 40 years. She taught at Hatley School, Millingport Elementary, Ebenezer School, Norwood, Boys Home, Lake Waccamaw, Endy Elementary and Tabor City Schools.

Her inspiration for becoming a teacher; "Take every opportunity that comes your way to help someone who was not as fortunate as you were to be able to relax and "go where he wants to go" through reading. There are also places to where you can't go in person. Grab every opportunity to make life for someone more pleasant".

Her advice for young teachers today: "Grab every opportunity that presents itself to be able to "get out of your shell" so to speak – be independent and go where you can't go literally".

Her most Challenging Experience; "The most challenging and interesting experiences in my life was the six years I was principal and teacher at Boy Home at Lake Waccamaw near Tabor City, NC. The boys spent their early years without love as it should be given. They had to fend for themselves. They hungered for someone who would care and love them, good meals, training to do different jobs, periods of play and exercise, and to commune with someone who cared. It was a super experience that gave me the chance to love the unloved".

Marie Roer Burleson

Marie Burleson is the widow of Monte Floyd Burleson. She lives in Wingate, NC. She has taught 8 years at South Piedmont Community College. Her mother was her inspiration for becoming a teacher. She was a teacher of Drama and Literature for the 7th and 8th grades.

Her advice to students today is to learn it now! It only gets harder later on. Many of my community college students have to balance work and family along with their studies. Advice to young teachers, when you get discouraged say to yourself “June, July and August”! Her most challenging experience was teaching a math class to a wheelchair bound student who couldn’t hold a pen or speak very clearly.



John David Burleson

John David Burleson is a son of Raeford Burleson and grandson of Fred Burleson. He lives in Charlotte, NC. He taught school for 33 years, at Rich Square Middle, Albemarle Road Junior, Independence and Butler High School. His inspiration was a number of his former teachers. He said in the beginning he was not sure that education was for him, but after seeing many positive results he realized he was in the right profession. His advice to students today are, stay focused and develop organizational skills, set reasonable goals on a yearly basis and consider options in accordance with your abilities.

His advice to young teachers today is to realize that you are not going to make a fortune but you do have the opportunity to make a difference!!! Staying current with new trends but yet relying on sensible values is most challenging.

He has also coached junior high football, basketball, baseball and golf. Presently he is retired but teaches part time and coaches football at Butler High School in Matthews (Charlotte) NC.

- Outstanding Young Educator (PTSA) 1974 Albemarle Road Junior High
- Football “Coach of the Year” ARJH 1980, 1982, 1988, 1990, 1992, and 1995.
- Basketball “Coach of the Year” ARJH 1982, 1988, 1990 and 1993.
- Three Football Conference Championship Teams

We also would like to thank John David Burleson for sending in several pictures of his grandfather, Fred Burleson’s Family. We are in the early stages of completing a book on John David’s great grand father Isaac Burleson, and he is going to help us fill in a lot of missing information.



Fred Burleson's Family

L/R Birchard & Carrie, Radford & Minnie, Fred & Lizzie, Ted, Marie, Bush, and Jenny Tucker Child John David Burleson

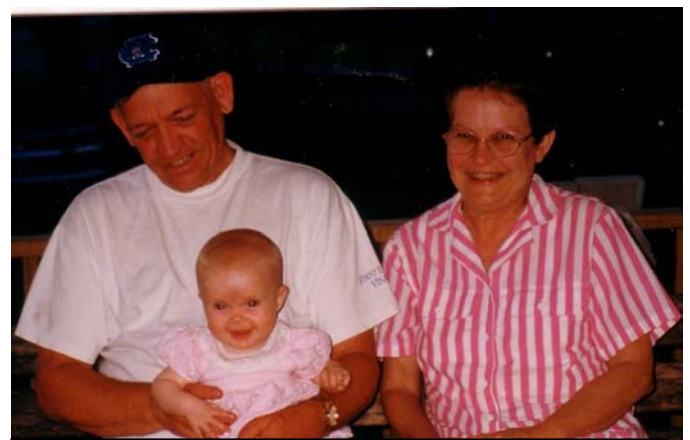
Mike Burleson

Mike Burleson is the son of Ramon and Helen Harrington Burleson (See page 161) and the grandson of William Holbert Burleson. He married Bobbie Toublefield and they have four children, Todd, Kimberly, Scott, and Jennifer. Mike was a school teacher and principal for over thirty years.

- 1967-68 6th grade Brunson Elementary, Winston Salem, NC
- 1968-70 6th grade Mt. Pleasant Middle School
- 1970-72 Special Education, Mt. Pleasant High School
- 1972-75 Industrial Corp Training, Mt Pleasant High School
- 1975-80 Federal Programs, Cabarrus County, NC
- 1980-83 Principal, NW Cabarrus Middle School
- 1983-92 Principal, Mt Pleasant High School
- 1992-98 Principal, Wolf Meadow Elementary School, Concord NC

His advice, learn to develop patience, have a real love for children, and communicate with parents.

Two of Mike's sons Todd and Scott are also teachers,



Mike and Bobbie Burleson with Mary Clair Burleson

Todd Burleson

Todd is the son of Mike and Bobbie Burleson. He married Natalie Stowe and they have 4 children, Todd was the Headmaster and teacher at Covenant Classical School, Concord, NC. He and his wife Natalie have home schooled their children for ten years. His advice is learn what you're good at and develop it to the fullest.



TODD AND NATALIE DARE STOWE BURLESON WITH CHRISTIAN MICHAEL, DYLAN BRICE, MARY CLAIRE, AUSTIN BLAKE



Scott Burleson

Scott Burleson is the son of Mike and Bobbie Burleson. He is married to MELISSA (MISSIE) MAYNARD and they have 3 children. He taught high school and coached football and track at Parkwood High School, Union County, NC, from 1992 till 1994. He taught high school English from 1994 till present at Northwest Cabarrus High School and coached softball, football and basketball. His advice to prospective teachers/students is to listen carefully to your students/teachers.

Scott and Missie Burleson, with AMANDA (MANDY) MAYO, ZACHARY MICHAEL MAYO and MATTHEW SCOTT BURLESON

Don and Janet Burleson also have a web site, www.guidehorse.com please visit and check out this fascinating work they are doing.



The only drawback to horses, says Burleson (with Cuddles), is that "they can't lie down and curl up like a dog."

People Magazine by Michael Ballard, February 26, 2001

As she ambles around the Crabtree Valley Mall in Raleigh, N.C., Twinkie is creating quite a stir. Harried shoppers stop in their tracks. Kid's gaze openmouthed. After all,, you don't get to see a 24-in.-tall miniature horse wearing sneakers (two pairs, for

traction) every time you head to the store. The blue blanket on Twinkie's back explains her presence. It reads: Assistance Animal in Training.

Twinkie, learning the skills she needs to help a blind person around a crowded mall -- including navigating elevators and escalators -- is one of 10 tiny horses being trained at Janet and Don Burleson's 13-acre farm in Kittrell, N.C., outside Raleigh. By later this year, The Burleson's hope to have the horses placed with blind and visually impaired people around the U.S., to serve as an equine version of guide dogs. "Horses are natural guides," says Janet, 26. "They are extremely calm and they have phenomenal memories." The Burlesons, who set up the nonprofit Guide Horse Foundation last May to defray the expenses of acquiring and training the animals (roughly \$25,000 each), believe the horses will be especially suitable for vision-impaired people who live in suburban and rural areas. "Our goal," says Don Burleson, 44, "is to make them available to the recipients at no cost."

The couple -- she's a Web designer, he's a database consultant, and they met on the Internet -- were newlyweds in 1998 when they bought Smokey, their first miniature horse, as a pet. Soon after the clatter of little hooves turned into a mini-stampede, as they added horses the way other people accumulate goldfish. "They are very intelligent, easy to housebreak and incredibly easygoing," says Janet -- the daughter of Amos, a salesman, and Jean, a home-maker -- who began training horses as a teenager. "They come in, eat popcorn and watch TV with us."

It was Twinkie, a silver-dappled mare they acquired in November 1998, who gave them the idea that horses could be useful to people in need. "When we saw how accessible and eager to work she was," says Don, "we began to realize the possibilities."

Training Twinkie wasn't completely without hitches. "The first time we took her to a grocery store," says Don, "she snapped up a Snickers bar." Still, as word of their work spread, the Burlesons began getting donations (One backer is mystery writer Patricia Cornwell, who has donated \$30,000 to the foundation. "The governor in Isle of Dogs, the book I'm working on, has bad eyesight," she says. "I thought it would be great fun to have a Guide Horse clomping around the governor's mansion.")

In February 2000, after months of training, Twinkie was put to the test at the mall, guiding homemaker and part-time student Karen Clark, 53, of Raleigh, who lost her eyesight as a child and has already outlived three guide dogs. "On the average, miniature horses live 30 to 40 years," says Don. "A guide dog's life span is only 10 to 12 years. Mini-horses are also less costly to maintain -- they eat grass, maybe \$20 a year in oats." And, says Clark, "when we stopped, Twinkie would stand there quietly, where a dog has to sniff everything." In fact, says Janet, the horses even take naps while standing in line.

Burleson Family Research Group Meetings for 2003

We have always tried to secure the meeting room in Stanly County Library for the first Monday of each month. This year there were some conflicts and we will have to meet the second Monday in several months. Below are the dates for our meeting.

- January 6th
- February 3rd
- March 10th (2nd Monday)
- April 7st (See Article below for Location of Meeting)
- May 5th
- June 2nd
- July 7th
- August 4th
- September 8th (2nd Monday)
- October 13th (2nd Monday)
- October 19th is our Reunion at Burleson Square, DAV Building Hwy 24/27 By-pass
- November 3rd
- December 1st

The Burleson Family Research Group Archival Storehouse

We at the BFRG are proud to announce that The Klon Roy and Lena Lowder Burleson Farm House will be used for a storage facility and meeting place together and share Burleson history. We are still in the planning stages of this endeavor, and don't know exactly how it will develop. We are in the process of purchasing a storage unit with glass doors to store all of our publications and related documents. Hilda Burleson Snuggs, who is one of our hardest working members, has discussed this with all her siblings and they support us in this very exciting project. Because we have a conflict with the Stanly County Library for our April 2003 meeting, we have decided to have our meeting at Lena's farm house.

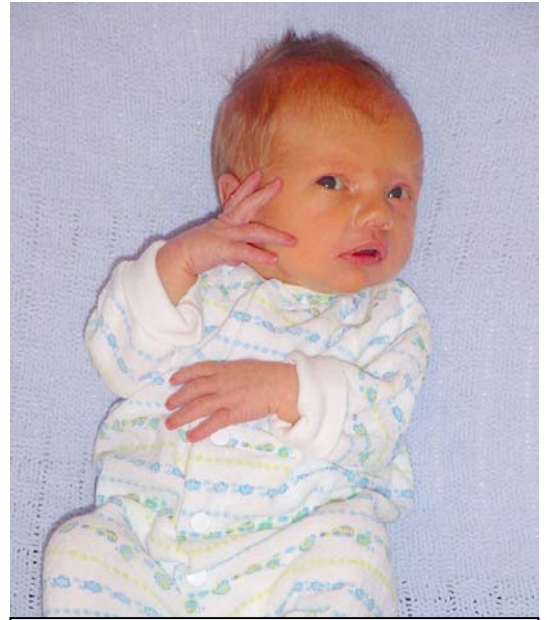
The home is located at 26750 Burleson Road, off of Canton Road. We will have additional information on this project as it develops. We trust this will grow into something that will be a great asset for those wanting to learn more about the Burleson Family.

Major Milestones

We would like to announce the arrival of my third grandson. Logan Caleb Breese was born on November 4th 2002, to Patrick and Sheila Burleson Breese.



Tyler, Logan and Adam Breese



Logan Caleb Breese

This portion of the newsletter for everyone to announce new arrivals, marriages, graduations, obituaries or any Major Milestone that would be of interest to all the Burleson Family. So please send them in to,

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Clara Mae Burleson

Clara Mae Tucker Burleson of Granby, Conn. Died November 27, 2002 at her home. She was 81. A funeral service was held at Hartsell Funeral Home in Midland with Rev. Molly VanDerweken and Rev. Jessie Rushing presiding. Burial was Locust United Methodist Church in Locust. Mrs. Burleson was born May 15 1921 in Hanover County. Her parents were Roy Clyde and Lora Tucker. She was married to the late Roby Alton Burleson, Sr. She was a member of Locust United Methodist Church. Survivors include her daughter and husband Wanda and John Jones of Granby, Conn. a brother Dwayne Tucker of Locust; a sister Lois Price of Concord and one grandson, David Jones.

Mrs. Helen H. Burleson is Killed and Her Sister Critically Injured When Hit By Truck On Saturday

Re-printed from an article in the Stanly New and Press, Tuesday March 13 1945.
Bud Williams Is Held As Driver-Of Wood Truck
Fence Demolished and Post Broken by Truck.

Williams In Jail, Pending Charges In the Matter -- Rites for Mrs. Burleson set For Tuesday.

Mrs Helen Harrington Burleson was killed and her sister, Miss Elizabeth Harrington, was severely injured at 1:45 o'clock Saturday afternoon near the north gate of the Wiscassett Mills when they were struck by a truck, owned by the Sibley Manufacturing Co., and driven by Alphonso "Bud" Williams, negro 39 of Kingville.

Mrs. Burleson, wife of Sgt. Burleson, Ft. Knox, Ky., who was the mother of a five-months-old baby, boy was killed almost instantly and was pronounced dead at the hospital. Miss Harrington, who suffered serious head injuries and one leg was broken, was taken to Stanly General hospital where it is stated she is in a critical condition.

At the time of the tragedy the young ladies, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Harrington, 806 Ludlow street, and with whom they lived, were on their way to a nearby store and were walking west on the sidewalk bordering the fence and road near the entrance to the mill. According eye-witnesses the truck, traveling at high speed in the same direction, after rounding the curve about 180 feet distant from the spot where Mrs. Burleson was killed, veered to the left side of the road onto the sidewalk and crashed in the young women. About 25 feet of the fence was demolished and an iron gate/post about four inches in diameter was broken off.

Williams told officers he was trying to avoid an oncoming car which was on the wrong side of the road, but eye-witnesses declared there was no such car and the road was clear. Vance Lowder, gate-man at the Wiscassett Mills, said he witnessed the tragedy and saw no car approaching from the opposite direction.

No Statements

Rumors are rife that the Negro, Williams, was under the influence of intoxicants at the time. Deputy Sheriff Tarleton, Chief Ralph Smith and Officer Vester Brooks, who were at the scene shortly afterwards, have been non-committed concerning the state of Williams condition. He was injured about the face and head and was treated by Dr. W.N. McKenzie, county physician, who would also make no statement as to whether Williams was intoxicated or not.

Williams was brought to the county jail, where he is being held without bail pending the filing of formal charges against him. Officers are still investigation the case but it is expected they will complete their investigating work shortly.

Williams was driving a Plymouth pick-up truck, had just delivered a load of wood and apparently was returning to Sibley's Wiscassett yard when the young women were struck. He had been employed by the Sibley Manufacturing Co for about two years.

Mrs. Burleson's husband arrived in Albemarle early Monday morning and her brother, ARM2c Thurman Harrington reached here Sunday afternoon. Harrington, who was on his way from Sanford, Me to a new assignment in Florida was intercepted at Norfolk and flew to Charlotte, from which point he was driven to Albemarle. The American Red Cross here arranged for the necessary leaves for both men.

The victim was widely known in Albemarle and had the admiration and respect of the entire community. She attended Albemarle High School and was popular with both students and teacher while there. Mrs. Burleson, in addition to her husband, parents and sister, is survived by her infant son and two brothers, Thurman Harrington, US Navy, and Lex Harrington, Albemarle.

Funeral services for Mrs. Burleson will be held Tuesday afternoon at 3:00 o'clock at Grace Baptist Church, with the Revs J A Seymour, C B Reid, W B Holmes and W J Russell, officiating. Burial will follow in Fairview Cemetery.



Helen Harrington Burleson is the wife of Ramon Cline Burleson. Ramon is the son of William Holbert and Minnie Bowers Burleson. She is also the mother of Mike Burleson, the teacher we are honoring in this issue. Mike is the 5 month old infant son of Helen.

Articles from
The Stanly County Heritage Book
John Burleyson Co. H 14th North Carolina

John was the second son of Joseph and Lucy Almond Burleyson of the Little Bear Creek area of Stanly County. We know little of his short life. I do know that the 1850 census shows Joseph and Lucy with their second son named John age 7 years old. The 1860 census lists him to be 16 years old, but he is not listed in the 1870 census.

In May 1861 he would have been old enough to join then, like his two uncles Lee and Nathan, or even a year later, before the Conscription Act was passed. What we do know comes from the Stanly County Record of Pensions original copy preserved in the Heritage Room of the Stanly County Library. Here M. Burleyson of Bloomington, widow of J. M. Burleyson of Company H 14th North Carolina filed for a pension and was approved. It shows John died of disease.

This is the only record we have of John's service, or his wife. This young man left a young wife behind and died in the Service of North Carolina. "Least we forget!"

Submitted by: John Hoyle Burleson
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Isaac Burleyson
Company C 42nd North Carolina Hoke's Brigade
1842 – 1910

Isaac was the third son of William "Billie" and Sarah Harwood Burleyson of Little Bear Creek in Stanly County. He enlisted into the Confederate Army on February 1, 1862. His service started as a prison guard at Salisbury and ended at Bennett's Place in May 1865. This included service with the Army of Northern Virginia.

The 42nd saw action in the Eastern part of North Carolina in 1862 and 1863. In 1864 the 42nd, Hoke's Brigade, was sent to defend Richmond. General Grant suffered greatly in his attack at Cold Harbor against Hoke's Brigade.

The 42nd was positioned in the center and all other regiments were aligned to the left and right of the 42nd at Bentonville. This was the very last battle to stop Sherman's much larger army.

Isaac gave his service in full measure from February 1862 until the final Confederate surrender and the disbanding of the 42nd on May 2, 1865 at Center Church in Randolph County.

Isaac returned to Stanly County after the war to marry Mary Hearne and there they raised their family and helped to rebuild their community. Today they lay in rest in the family graveyard on Burleson Road.

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