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Deaths for Sept., Oct., Nov. 2011

Allen, Rebecca "Becky" Cash	79 B	10/24/2011	James Samuel & Juanita Champion Cash
Bagley, Helen Taylor	88 B	11/14/2011	George & Alma Thorpe Taylor
Barker, Ann Brown	86 B	10/13/2011	Irl Christopher & Ruby Winn Brown
Black, Lillie M.	80	11/5/2011	Not listed
Blalock, Katie G.	90 B	10/2/2011	Not listed
Boyd, James Bradsher	81 C	11/10/2011	Alford W. & Merthenia Beaver Boyd
Brame, William Thomas "Tommy"	58 B	9/16/2011	William Robert & Mary P. Brame
Braswell, Dennis H.	48 B	11/14/2011	Stephen & Mary Frances Braswell
Brogden Jr., Archie Lee	58 B	11/15/2011	Archie Lee & Lillian McDonald Brogden
Burt, Joann	71	10/27/2011	Not listed
Burwell, Nat Morton	80 C	11/21/2011	Joseph Thomas & Annie Lee Burwell
Butler, Richard Perry	93 B	11/24/2011	Perry & Mable (Holly) Butler
Chappell, Richard Thompson	39 B	9/24/2011	Harry Lee & Carolyn Danaho Chappell
Chavis, Ella Louise	66 B	11/15/2011	Buck & Lucy Marrow Burnette
Clark, Charles M.	89 B	10/30/2011	Everett & Annie Johnson Clark
Clark, Exie Lee Overby	86 B	9/9/2011	Ernest & Nancy Thomas Overby
Clayton, Celia Green	82 B	9/30/2011	Gary & Addie Mae Green
Cliborne, Oscar Glenn	86 B	10/6/2011	Harvey Nathan & Lillie Glasscock Cliborne
Crews, Virginia McQueen	C	9/19/2011	Sam & Lutie Cartrette McQueen
Dawes, Marilyn Jean	67 B	10/3/2011	Luke & Lucy Dawes
Dickerson, Grady Gresham	81 C	10/18/2011	Roy Booth Sr. & Malla Gresham Dickerson
Dunkley, Ethel Mary Eakes	96 B	10/9/2011	Reuben & Julia Frazier Eakes
Edwards, Patsy Ruth Davis	69 B		Dewey R. & Ellen Reece Davis
Epps, Dorothy Rice Honeycutt	79 B	9/8/2011	Arthur & Lucy Morris Rice
Faulkner, Dora J.	81 B	11/21/2011	Not listed
Faulner, Sonjie Etta Harris	68 B	11/15/2011	Not listed
Forbes, William "Al" Alvin	80 C	10/2/2011	Norman J. & Mable E. Thick
Forsythe, Bianche Adams	B	9/2/2011	Wesley I. & Aiton Hooker Adams
Frazier, Ronald Allen	C	11/15/2011	Samuel H. Frazier Jr. & Janice Humphries F. Jones
Fuller, Bettie Mae	92 B	10/8/2011	Joe & Martha Person Kingsberry
Glascoe, James "JT"	69 B	11/15/2011	Andrew Jackson & Lillian Parker Glascoe
Graham, Annie Bell	102 B	11/17/2011	Not listed
Gravitt, Harvey Ingram	81 B	8/31/2011	Jessie Enos & Mary Frances Gravitt Gravitt
Hall, Johnnie Lee	52 C	9/9/2011	George Cleveland & Ernestine Cooper Hall
Hamlett, Frances Monalisa Black	61 B	10/5/2011	John W. Black Sr, Frances Juanita Sisk Esslinger
Hargrove, Charles L.	77 B	10/27/2011	Robert L. & Mary Harris Hargrove
Harris Sr., Willie T.	82 B	11/1/2011	Hezekiah & Betty Chavis Harris
Harris, Frances Aiken	80 B	9/13/2011	Harold M. & Annie Sandling Aiken
Harris, Hubert Lee	82 B	9/30/2011	Ronald White & Freda Blackwell
Harris, Lonnie	45 B	10/20/2011	Manie R. Fields & John "Bay" Handy
Hawley, Stephen	58 B	10/3/2011	Jonah Sr. & Barbara Morton Hawley
Hicks, Billy "Doodlebug" Gray	73 B	11/25/2011	Clyde Lee & Odessa Gardner Hicks
Hobgood, Mozelle O'Briant	90 B	10/25/2011	Johnnie & Ellie Daniel O'Briant
Holland, Lillian Young	90 B	10/18/2011	Samuel Oscar & Mattie Philpott Young
Holt, Robert Nello	74 B	9/23/2011	Robert Holt & Ruth Holt Bryant
Huff, Michael Lane	65 B	10/29/2011	Rufus & Frances Lunsford Huff
Hutson, Rosa Pear Riggan	94 B	10/13/2011	Cuff & Cornelia Williamson Riggan
Jackson, Ralph Bryant	75 C	11/10/2011	Johnnie B. & Annie B. Jackson
Jay, Hallie Mae H.	98	9/26/2011	Not listed
Johnson, Annie Lenora	67 B	11/22/2011	Annie Jones
Jones, Abell Cooper	84 B	11/21/2011	Lela Mae Waller & Willie Lee Cooper
Jones, Rosetta Hicks	78 B	10/26/2011	Not listed

King, Luanne O'Brian	48 C	9/27/2011	Bobby & Gladys Godsey
Lewis, Mary Terry "Tootsie"	66 B	11/11/2011	Eilizabeth Terry & James T. Hamilton
Lindsey, Gladys Clayton	83 B	11/27/2011	Ernest & Eunice Thornton Clayton
Marrow, Deborah Stewart	56 C	11/17/2011	Not listed
Mayes, Mary Liza Hester	B	11/14/2011	Not listed
McCrimmon Jr., Bennie "Bo"	76 B	11/17/2011	Bennie Sr. & Bettie Tharrington McCrimmon
Melton, Inez Harrison	80 B	11/6/2011	Walter Alfred "Cute" & Mollie Allison Harrison
Morton, James Taylor	81 B	9/1/2011	Israel Ashmond & Pearl Thornburg Morton
Moss, Jr., Willie	69 C	10/6/2011	Not listed
Myers, Sylvia Buchanan	70 B	8/29/2011	Theodore Vernon & Ethelene Hobbs Buchanan
Nelson, Queenie Isabel Norwood	95 B	9/25/2-11	James & Lizzie Taylor Norwood
Newell, Mattie Stegall	63 B	11/20/2011	Grover Cleveland Sr&Ola Elizabeth Short Stegal
Noell, Jamie Moore	60 B	8/31/2011	Thomas Penn Noell Jr. & Ann M. Noell
Overton, Goldie Eunice Bray	84 B	10/30/2011	Lonie & Pearl Englebright Bray
Parham, Raymond "Taylor"	67 C	10/25/2011	Raymond Whitfield & Frances Clark Parham
Pettiford, Mary Nell	70 B	11/17/2011	Not listed
Phifer, Mae	66 B	11/7/2011	Willie & Fannie Scott Phifer
Pickett, John Thomas	94 B	11/22/2011	James G. & Bessie Fuller Pickett
Puckett, Frances Talley	86 B	11/10/2011	Robert & Victoria Cole Talley
Roberson, Alma Felts	92 B	10/21/2011	Obediah William & Alma Pearl Sammons Felts
Rogers, Franklin "Frank"		11/6/2011	Andrew Lewis & Clara Hopkins Rogers
Ross, Samuel Robert	82 B	9/30/2011	Joseph Alfred Sr. & Margaret Ann Milam Ross
Sanford, Richard B.	72 B	10/4/2011	Not listed
Saunders, Margaret Lee Burwell	90 B	9/25/2011	Joe T. & Annie Lee Burwell
Scott, Mary McEver		10/26/2011	Not listed
Shearin, Lucia Elliott	82 B	9/26/2011	Zebulon Vance & Lonie Wilkinson Elliott
Sheets, Luria Parks	85 B	9/21/2011	Berry & Mary Ledford Parks
Simons, Rev. Harrison Thayer	77 B	8/31/2911	Webster L. Simons & Dorothy Ballard Swett
Smith, Margie "Louise" Holman Allen	65	10/16/2011	Not listed
Sommer, Melvin James	64 B	11/13/2011	Mary O'Neil Sommer Wooten
Stainback, Rickey	44 B	10/5/2011	Jerome & Josephine Williams Stainback
Tate, Shelly Renee Tyler	52 B	10/29/2011	Hugh & Della Hicks Tyler
Thomas, Mildred Woody	97 B	11/9/2011	Gabe & Jesse Green Woody
Townes, Duane A.	53 B	9/23/2011	Joel & Julia Evans Townes
Tuck, Hattie O.	80 B	9/20/2011	Not listed
Vaughan, Elizabeth "Becky" Lodema	74 B	10/1/2011	Ira "Bud" & Lottie Gentry Day
Walters, Ola Curtis	91	10/22/2011	Not listed
Washburn, Joe "Dan"	81 B	not listed	Joe C. & Estilla McSwain Washburn
Washington, Coral W.	90 B	9/30/2011	Royster & Grey Yancey Wiggins
Washington, Elijah Thomas	31 B	11/20/2011	Carolyn Gooch & James Thomas Wortham
Webb, Polly Dorsey	90 B	9/25/2011	Joe & Harriett Nelson Dorsey
Whitaker, Ellsworth Foltz	88 B	10/23/2011	Joseph & Florence Anna Bettlestone Whitaker
White, Fannie Bell Mitchiner	94 B	11/10/2011	Walter & Lonie Byrd Mitchiner
Wilkerson, Barbara Evans	61 B	11/19/2011	Robert Lee & Nellie Hester Harris
Wilkins Jr., Elvin Bryant "E.B."	85 B	10/9/2011	Elvin Bryant & Rosa Ferrell Wilkins
Woodlief, Anita Currin	60 C	10/5/2011	Vernon W. & Faye Currin Currin
Wrenn, Gertrude Joyner	91 B	11/3/2011	John & Mary Allen
Young, Brian Thomas	42 B	10/1/2011	Joseph Glenn & Paula Louise Richardson Young

NORTH CAROLINA ROOM WISH LIST

"Citizens of Halifax County, NC, and Vicinity 1824-1825", by Barry Munson.

1. "A Fierce Personal Pride: The Story Of Mount Hope Finishing Company [the story of a Butner, N. C. textile manufacturer]", by Burke Davis.

"The Life And Times Of Sir Archie: The Story Of America's Greatest Thoroughbred, 1805--1833" by Elizabeth Amis Cameron Blanchard & Manly Wade Wellman.

"The Architecture of Warren County, North Carolina, 1770s to 1860s" by Kenneth McFarland, 2001. Published by the Warren County Historical Association. Available directly from the Warren County Historical Association, PO Box 441, Warrenton NC 25789.

Railway train books by Oxford native Curt Tillotson, Jr. including:

"Classic Steam Trains of the South"

"Southern Railway Steam Trains Volume 1-Passenger"

"Southern Railway Steam Trains Volume 2-Freight"

"Southern Railway: Diesel Locomotives and Trains 1950-1980"

"Afro-American Death Notices from Eastern North Carolina Newspapers 1859-1935" by Barry Munson.

"Obituaries: North Carolina Civil War Soldiers and Veterans, Volume 10 & Volume 11" by Barry Munson [we have volumes 1 through 9].

"Free African Americans of North Carolina, Virginia, and South Carolina From the Colonial Period to About 1820." Fifth Edition by Paul Heinegg, Two Volumes.

"Danville During The Civil War", by Charles A. Pace.

"Post Offices and Postmasters of North Carolina Colonial to USPS Volume 1 Alamance through Durham" by North Carolina Postal History Society [We have Volume 2 of this series].

"Post Offices and Postmasters of North Carolina Colonial to USPS Volume 3 Onslow through Yancey" by North Carolina Postal History Society.

"Post Offices and Postmasters of North Carolina Colonial to USPS Volume 4 Indexes, Bibliography & Addenda 2000" by North Carolina Postal History Society.

"Afro-American Sources in Virginia - A Guide To Manuscripts" Michael Plunkett, Editor.

"Confederate Veteran Magazine 1893-1932", 43 Volumes, including Index.

"North Carolina 1850 Agricultural Census: Volumes 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, & 6", by Linda L. Green.

School Annuals--particularly those with connections to Granville, Vance, Franklin or Warren Counties.

"Some Farrar's Island Descendants" by Alvahn Holmes & "The Farrar's Island Family and its English Ancestry" by Alvahn Holmes.

"Old Free State, The: A Contribution to the History of Lunenburg County and Southside Virginia." 2 Volumes, by Landon C. Bell.

Microfilm: Wake County Deeds & Wills.

Microfilm: Person County Deeds & Wills.

"Lunenburg County, Virginia Deeds" by T.L.C. Genealogy: Volume 3, 1757-1761; Volume 4, 1761-1764; Volume 5, 1763-1764; Volume 6, 1764-1771; Volume 7, 1771-1777; Volume 8, 1777-1784; Volume 9, 1784-1787; Volume 10, 1787-1790; Volume 3, 1790-1795.

"Mecklenburg County, Virginia Deeds" by T.L.C. Genealogy: Volume 3, 1777-1779 and Volume 4, 1779-1786.

"Abstracts Of Pittsylvania County, Va., Deeds 1783--1790", by Gayle Austin.

"The Land Tax Lists Of Pittsylvania County, Va., Deeds 1782--1802", by Gayle Austin.

"The History and Architecture of Nash County, North Carolina" by Richard L. Mattson, 1987. Published by the Nash County Planning Department.

"Gov. Tryon's books About The Regulation War", by Stewert Dunaway.

"Nash County N. C., Mill Records, 1782—1875", by Stewert Dunaway.

Most issues of the Oxford Public Ledger are missing for the years 1947 to 1967. Anyone with issues from this time period are urged to allow these to be microfilmed by the State Archives, which can be arranged through the N. C. Room at the Thornton Library.

ACQUISITIONS SINCE LAST PUBLICATION

"Granville County North Carolina Gazetteer", by Leonard F. Dean, updated 2011 hardbound edition donated by the author.

"Centennial Celebration For Mount Zion United Holy Church Of Oxford, N. C. Inc. 1906--2006", donated by Anthony Smith.

"First United Church Of Stovall 135th Anniversary [established 1875]", donated by the First United Church Of Stovall.

"Union Chapel Baptist Church [Mecklenburg County, Virginia], A Light On History, 1908--2008", donated by Mrs. Judy H. Murray.

"The Ram, 1964 [Annual], Mary Potter High School, Oxford, North Carolina".

"Wrenn Family Tree", by Granville County, North Carolina native, Kay Mangum Kittrell, donated by the author.

History Of A Granville County Harris Family", by Arnom Hunter Harris, Jr., donated by the author.

"A Singing Stream: A Black Family Chronicle [the Landis Family Of Granville County, North Carolina]", by Allen Tullos, Daniel W. Patterson and Tom Davenport, from the North Carolina Folklore Journal, Winter--Spring 1989, donated by Mark A. Pace.

"Ivy Mills 1729--1866, Wilcox And Allied Families", by Joseph Wilcox, donated by Mrs. Dorothy Wilkinson.

"Lineage Notes On Solomon & Louisa Ayscue: Allied Lines, Ayscue, Huff, Roberts, Wright, Allgood", by Ruby Jonas Lassister, donated by the author.

"William Littlejohn Descendants", by William Harris Littlejohn.

"Descendants Of Richard Gill And James Phelps, Sr.", by Gerald and Wanda Gill, donated by The Granville County Genealogical Society, 1746.

"The Gordon Families Of Scotland, North Carolina, Arkansas And Texas", donated by The Granville County Genealogical Society, 1746.

"Genealogy Of The Page Family In Virginia", donated by The Granville County Genealogical Society, 1746.

"Mabel, Her Life, Her Hometown, Her School, Her Church" autobiography of Granville County resident Mabel Catherine Allen Harris with her daughter Janie Preddy Harris, donated by the authors.

"Joseph Henry Gooch [Funeral Director for the Stem Community]", by John E. Newell, donated by Ethel Oakley Blalock.

"The Descendants Of Hiram Brinkley And Annis Oakley [of Granville County, North Carolina]", by Bill Brinkley, donated by Ethel Oakley Blalock.

"Map Of Charlotte County, Va." by Lieutenant C. E. Caswell, C.S.A., September 15th, 1864, donated by Chotsey Winborne.

"Back With The Tide, Memoirs Of Ellen Douglas Bellamy [a New Hanover County, North Carolina resident who lived her entire life at the famous Bellamy Mansion in Wilmington],

"Without Precedent: The Life Of Susie Marshall Sharp", by Anna R. Hayes; Judge Susie Marshall Sharp's mother, Annie B. Blackwell Sharp, was a native of Vance County, North Carolina.

"1967, Carolina Telephone [Directory]: Henderson, Centerville, Franklinton, Louisburg, Norlina, Oxford, Wake Forest, Warrenton, N. C.", donated by Mrs. Nancy Gregory Shank.

"Polk's Oxford City Directory 1987", by R. L. Polk & Company Publishers, supplemental copy donated by Dawn Marie Omokunde.

"Miscellaneous Records Of Granville County, North Carolina", by Harold Anthony Lloyd.

"Order Of First Families Of North Carolina, Ancestor Biographies, Volume 1" by John A. Brayton, donated by the author.

"Land Confiscation Records Of North Carolina, Volume 1, 1779--1800 [including Granville County]", by Stewart Dunaway.

"Person County, N. C. Road And Bridge Records, 1797--1888", by Stewart Dunaway.

"Caswell And Person County, N. C. Mill Records", by Stewart Dunaway.

"Vance County, North Carolina, Burial Permits: 1934, 1935 And 1936"

"Mrs. Lois Coghill Thompson's Memory Book of Vance County, North Carolina, Military Personnel Who Died In Service During World War II".

"Pep-Pac '50 [Henderson High School Annual, Henderson, N. C., 1950", donated by Mrs. Mary McGhee."

"Vance Vikings Sports, 1983--1984, Vance Senior High School [Henderson, N. C.], donated by The Vance County Historical Society.

"Souvenir Program, Golden Anniversary, The Rotary Club Of Henderson, North Carolina, February 22, 1972".

"Warren County, North Carolina, Roster Of Confederate Veterans".

"Genealogical Abstracts, Duplin County Wills, 1730--1860", by William L. Murphy, donated by Bowling-Wood U.D.C. Chapter 2622, Butner, N. C.

"Cemeteries & Gravemarkers, Voices Of American Culture", edited by Richard E. Meyer, donated by Bowling-Wood U.D.C. Chapter 2622, Butner, N. C.

"Young Southern Pines [the early history of a Moore County, North Carolina town]", by Helen G. Huttenhauer.

"Central North Carolina [Genealogical] Journal", 1990, 1991, 1992, 1993 and 1994 covering Bladen, Chatham, Cumberland, Harnett, Hoke, Montgomery, Moore, Orange, Randolph and Wake Counties, donated by Bowling-Wood U.D.C. Chapter 2622, Butner, N. C.

"Shell Castle: Portrait Of A North Carolina House [in Halifax County, North Carolina]", by Catharine W. Bishir and Elizabeth Matherson.

"Flooded: Reflections On Hurricane Floyd [in the Rocky Mount vicinity]", collected and edited by Friends of Braswell Memorial

Library, Rocky Mount, North Carolina, donated by Vann Cutts.

"Time, Talent, Tradition: Five Essays On The Cultural History Of The Lower Cape Fear Region, North Carolina [Wilmington and New Hanover County]", edited by Janet K. Seapker.

"Old Nag's Head: Personal Recollections And Some History Of The Region In North Carolina At The Edge Of The Sea Where Our First Colonists Landed", by Edward R. Outlaw, Jr.

"Seasoned By Salt: A Historical Album Of The Outer Banks", by Rodney Barfield.

"Pen & Picture Sketches, City Of Fayetteville, North Carolina [published 1916]", by Central Publishing Co., Inc., Richmond, Va.

"Watts Hospital Of Durham, North Carolina, 1895--1976: Keeping The Doors Open", by P. Preston Reynolds, M. D. and Joe Liles.

"Durham And Her People, Combining History And Who's Who In Durham Of 1949 And 1950", edited by W. C. Dula, donated by Betty Jean King.

"Architectural Guide, Winston-Salem, Forsyth County" by the Winston-Salem Section of the North Carolina Chapter of the American Institute of Architects, donated by Betty Jean King.

"35,000 Tennessee Marriage Records And Bonds, 1783--1870, Volume 1 A--F", donated by Betty Jean King.

"35,000 Tennessee Marriage Records And Bonds, 1783--1870, Volume 2 G--N", donated by Betty Jean King.

"35,000 Tennessee Marriage Records And Bonds, 1783--1870, Volume 3 O--Z", donated by Betty Jean King.

"Obituaries From Early Tennessee Newspapers 1794--1851", edited by Rev. Silas Emmett Lucas, Jr., donated by Betty Jean King.

"Marriages From Early Tennessee Newspapers 1794--1851", edited by Rev. Silas Emmett Lucas, Jr., donated by Betty Jean King.

"Index To The Headright And Bounty Grants in Georgia, 1756--1909", edited by Rev. Silas Emmett Lucas, Jr., donated by Betty Jean King.

"This New Founde Land: The Henry & Kaye Spalding Map Collection At Hampden-Sydney College [featuring early maps of Virginia]", donated by Betty Jean King.

"The Town Of La Crosse, Virginia: A History", by James B. Cooke, Jr. and Lewis Ryland Rash, Jr., donated by Betty Jean King.

"Long Ago In Lunenburg On Stoney Creek Of The Meherrin", by June Banks Evans, donated by Betty Jean King.

"Recollections Of My Childhood And Beyond", an autobiography of Lunenburg County, Virginia native Elloise Marable Callahan, donated by the author.

"The Heritage of Charlotte County, Virginia, 1765--2011, Volume II", donated Chotsey Winborne.

"Pittsylvania County, Virginia: A Brief History" by Larry G. Aaron.

"Divorces And Separations From Petitions To The North Carolina General Assembly, 1779-- 1837", abstracted by Janet and Ransom McBride, donated by Mark A. Pace.

"Images Of America: Remembering North Carolina's Confederates", by Michael C. Handy, donated by Granville Grays, 409 U.D.C.

"Madison County, North Carolina Service Men & Women 1775--Present, Revision A, 2010", compiled by Richard M. Nallenweg, donated by Granville Grays, 409 U.D.C.

"The Corps Forward: The Biographical Sketches Of The VMI Cadets Who Fought In The Battle Of New Market", compiled by Col. William Couper, donated by Granville Grays, 409 U.D.C.

- "Bushwhackers! The Civil War In North Carolina: The Mountains", by William R. Trotter, donated by Granville Grays, 409 U.D.C.
- "Rebel Boast: First At Bethel--Last At Appomattox [the story of Confederate soldiers from the Enfield vicinity of Halifax County, North Carolina]", by Manly Wade Wellman.
- "Appointments Of Postmasters, 1825--1929, Granville County, North Carolina", compiled by Shirley Jones Mallard, donated by the author.
- "The Jones Family Of Granville County, N. C.", by Shirley Jones Mallard, donated by the author.
- "The Roberts Family Of Granville County, N. C.", by Shirley Jones Mallard, donated by the author.
- "Roberts--Allen Families And Related Families: Davis, Highfill, Rogers", compiled by Merritt E. Roberts, donated by Shirley Jones Mallard.
- "Marriages Of Granville County, North Carolina: 1753--1868", compiled by Brent H. Holcomb, supplemental copy donated by Shirley Jones Mallard.
- "Some Cemeteries Of Granville County, North Carolina", by Frances Wheeler, supplemental copy donated by Shirley Jones Mallard.
- "The Wheelers Of Granville County, North Carolina: Their Ancestors And Descendants", by Frances Wheeler, supplemental copy donated by Shirley Jones Mallard.
- "Forsyth, Lowery, Rust, Evans And Related Families: Cox, Lamkin, Rucker, Westmoreland: Volume One", by Leona Lentz Weaver, supplemental copy donated by Shirley Jones Mallard.
- "Histories And Genealogies Of Old Granville County, North Carolina, 1746--1800", by Thomas Owens, supplemental copy donated by Mrs. Agnes D. Powell.
- "Windows, Volume II", short stories, poems, personal reflections and family information, by Granville County native, Peggy Oakley Norwood.
- "Man By Nature Righteous: False Teachings And His Animal Nature The Cause Of Sin" by Dabney, North Carolina resident Dr. Charles David Wyche; published in 1924.
- "The Promise Of Rest, A Novel", by renown author and Warren County, North Carolina native, Reynolds Price.
- "Memories 1920--1925", poems by Henderson, North Carolina native, Thomas Paul Rose, Jr.
- "Southern Accent: From Uncle Remus To Oak Ridge", observations on The South, by Warren County, North Carolina native, William Tasker Polk, donated by Bennett H. Perry, Jr.
- "Second Harvest", writings by Raleigh, N. C. "News & Observer" columnist, Dennis Rogers, donated by Mark A. Pace.
- "Tungsten; The Story of An Indispensable Metal", prepared by Mildred Gwin Andrews, published by The Tungsten Institute [contains information on the Tungsten Mine in Vance County].
- "The Henderson Story" a reprint of a series of six articles, dated December 10 & 24, 1959, February 4, 11 & 25, 1960 and March 3, 1960 that appeared in "America's Textile Reporter" Magazine detailing the Harriet-Henderson Cotton Mills Strike.
- "Tar Heel Women", by Lou Rogers, features a chapter on noted Vance County native, Mary Lewis Wyche.
- "When We're Green We Grow", by noted State of North Carolina Home Demonstration Agent and former Warrenton, North Carolina resident Dr. Jane Simpsons McKimmon.
- "Gift From The Hills: Miss Lucy Morgan's Story Of Her Unique Penland School [Mitchell County, North Carolina]", by Lucy Morgan and LeGette Blythe.
- "God's Gambler", a spiritual biography of Raleigh, North Carolina businessman, Bruce Garner, by Dr. R. Frederick West.

"Glamorous Dolly Madison", by Alice Curtis Desmond, a biography of the noted Guilford County, North Carolina native and First Lady, donated by Dr. Richard L. Taylor.

"Keeper Of The Moon: A Southern Boyhood", an autobiography by noted author and Cumberland County, North Carolina native Tim McLaurin.

"The True Life Story Of The Corn Bread Man" an autobiography and genealogy of Johnston County, North Carolina resident, Ray Wheeler, operator of that county's historic Atkinson Mill, donated by Mark A. Pace.

"The Papers Of Thomas Ruffin, Volume I", collected and edited by J. G. de Roulhac Hamilton.

"The Papers Of Thomas Ruffin, Volume II", collected and edited by J. G. de Roulhac Hamilton.

"The Papers Of Archibald D. Murphy, Volume I", edited by William Henry Hoyt.

"The Papers Of Archibald D. Murphy, Volume II", edited by William Henry Hoyt.

1958 County Yearbook, 1959 County Yearbook and 1960 County Yearbook, by the North Carolina Association Of County Commissioners.

"North Carolina Agriculture From The Mountains To The Sea", published by the North Carolina Association Of County Agricultural Agents.

"North Carolina Illustrated, 1524-1984: Over 1150 Photographs", edited by H. G. Jones.

"North Carolina Folklore Journal", seventeen sundry issues, 1962 through 1996, donated by Mark A. Pace.

"The Discoveries Of John Lederer", contains the the very first written descriptions of the area that was to become Granville County, explored in 1670, by the first known European to visit this area, explorer John Lederer, donated by Bennett H. Perry, Jr.

Dollarhide's Genealogy Rules, by William Dollarhide

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We will refer to these "Rules" from time to time in later issues of "Genealogy Pointers." For now, enjoy them and take them to heart.

1. Treat the brothers and sisters of your ancestor as equals, even if some of them were in jail.
2. Death certificates are rarely filled in by the person who died.
3. When visiting a funeral home, wear old clothes, no make-up, and look like you have about a week to live. The funeral director will give you anything you ask for if he thinks you may be a customer soon.
4. The cemetery where your ancestor was buried does not have perpetual care, has no office, is accessible only by a muddy road, has snakes, tall grass, and lots of bugs--and many of the old gravestones are in broken pieces, stacked in a corner under a pile of dirt.

5. A Social Security form SS-5 is better than a birth certificate because few people had anything to do with the information on their own birth certificate.
6. The application for a death certificate you want insists that you provide the maiden name of the deceased's mother, which is exactly what you don't know and is the reason you are trying to get the death certificate in the first place.
7. If you call Social Security and ask where to write for a birth certificate, tell them it is for yourself. They won't help you if you say you want one for your great-great-great-great-great-great grandfather who died in 1642.
8. When you contact your home state's vital statistics office and ask if they are "online" and they respond, "on what?" you may have a problem.
9. An 1850 census record showing all 12 children in a family proves only that your ancestors did not believe in birth control.
10. Work from the known to the unknown. In other words, just because your name is Washington doesn't mean you are related to George.
11. With any luck, some of the people in your family could read and write--and may have left something written about themselves.
12. It ain't history until it's written down. (See #19.)
13. A genealogist needs to be a detective. Just gimme da facts, Ma'am.
14. Always interview brothers and sisters together in the same room. Since they can't agree on anything about the family tree, it makes for great fun to see who throws the first punch.
15. The genealogy book you just found out about went out of print last week.
16. A good genealogical event is learning that your parents really were married.
17. Finding the place where a person lived may lead to finding that person's arrest record.
18. It's really quite simple: first, you start with yourself, then your parents, then your grandparents. Then you QUIT--and start teaching classes in genealogy.
19. If it's not written down, it ain't history yet. (See #12.)

20. In spite of MTV, computer games, or skate boards, there is always a chance that your grandchildren will learn how to read someday.
21. "To understand the living, you have to commune with the dead, but don't commune with the dead so long that you forget that you are living!" (From "Midnight in the Garden of Good and Evil" by John Berendt.)
22. It is a known fact that St. Peter checks all your Family Group Sheets for accuracy before you are allowed to enter the Pearly Gates.
23. Locating the county where your ancestor lived is the first step in finding records about the time he was hauled into court for shooting his neighbor's dog, threatening the census taker with a shotgun, or making illegal corn whiskey behind the barn.
24. A cousin, once removed, may not return.
25. When going to another town for genealogical research, you will always find information on the ancestor for whom you brought no notes.
26. When in a courthouse miles from home, you will always find the breakthrough court record at 4:55pm on Friday afternoon.
27. Research in one county that leads you to information in another county will only be revealed on the last day of your vacation.
28. The tombstone you want to find is always located in the extreme opposite corner of the cemetery from where you started your search.
29. The page on the census where your ancestor's town was enumerated has no page number.
30. That cemetery in Missouri where your great-grandparents were buried is now called Interstate 70.
31. The 1892 newspaper article describing your ancestor as a child winning the grade school spelling bee will misspell her name.
32. Your ancestor will be featured in the county history because he was the first prisoner in the new jail.
33. Your ancestor moved frequently and sold all of his property to his children before he died to avoid probate.
34. The query you found in an old magazine was placed by an unknown cousin--who died two years ago.

35. The courthouse containing the information crucial to your research is always closed for renovation on the day you arrive.
36. The roll of microfilm you need for county research is the only roll in the drawer that was sent out for repair earlier that day.
37. The post office shown on the census page where your ancestors are listed is for a town that does not appear on any known map ever published.
38. The oldest living person in the county has never heard of your ancestor, who lived there years ago.
39. Genealogy is the examination of the maximum amount of data in the maximum amount of time for a minimum result.
40. If you find a query in an old periodical giving two related names for which you are searching, it will be a query that you placed yourself four years ago and forgot about.
41. You always receive more e-mail about your ancestors the day before you are scheduled to go on vacation.
42. If you took Family Group Sheets to the last wedding you attended, you probably are an addicted genealogist.
43. If you can remember your ancestors' marriage dates but not your own, you probably are an addicted genealogist.
44. Genealogy is an addiction with no cure and for which no 12-step program is available.
45. I'm crazy about genealogy, but not necessarily yours.

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### **A Boy with a Good Memory**

Biblical Recorder June 30, 1859

John Franklin was a native of Canaan, Litchfield, Connecticut. An instance of his remarkable memory, when a lad, will show that he was no ordinary boy. Having accompanied the family to the place of worship, the meeting house being only inclosed, but neither ceiled or plastered, the beams and rafters were all exposed to view. John saw that his austere either sat through the sermon with great uneasiness, but could not divine the cause. On returning home, "John" said his father, "it is my duty to give you a severe thrashing (common in old times) and you shall have it presently; so prepare yourself."

"But you won't whip me, father, without telling me what for." "No, certainly; your conduct at meeting, is the cause. Instead of listening to the sermon you were gaping about as you were counting the beams and rafters of the meeting house. "Well father, can you repeat the sermon?" "Sermon, no; I had as much as I could do to watch your intention." "If I tell you all the minister said you won't whip me?" "No John, no, but that is impossible." Young Franklin immediately named the text, and taking up the discourse, went through every head of it with surprising accuracy.

"Upon my word," said the delighted parent, I should not have thought it." "And now, father," said John, "I can tell you exactly how many beams and rafters there are in the meeting house."

**Transcribed by Linda Perdue, December 2011**

**Will of William Pleasants**

**Recorded in Book No 2 of Wills on page 216. WABobbitt CSC**

In the name of God, Amen. I **William Pleasants** of the County of Granville and State of North Carolina being in health of body but getting, old, of sound mind, memory and understanding, praise be God for the same, do make this, my last Will and testament in manner and form following:

I give devise and bequeath to my beloved wife **Susan Malinda Pleasants** during her natural life all my property, real, personal and mixed of what nature or kind soever, and wheresoever the same shall be at the time of my death, and at her death, I give devise and bequeath all my property real, personal & mixed of what kind soever and wheresoever the same may be at her death to my good friend and benefactor **D J Breedlove** who is now living with me at my house in Fishing Creek Township Granville County North Carolina adjoining the lands of my brother **James Pleasants Henry Harris, A J Dickerson & others.**

And I do nominate and appoint my wife Susan Malinda sole executrix of this my last will and testament hereby revoking and making void all and every other wills at any time heretofore made by me and do declare this to be my last will and testament.

In witness of where of I the said William Pleasants have here unto act my hand this 13<sup>th</sup> day of December 1890. W. Pleasants

Signed, declare and published at the above named William Pleasants as and for his last Will and testament in the presence of us who at his request and in his presence have subscribed our names as witnesses hereto.

**Charles Hicks**

**H A Taylor**

Will – Probate of Will – With Examination of Witnesses thereto

State of North Carolina, Granville County. SS. In Superior Court.

A paper writing purporting to be the LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT of William Pleasants deceased, is exhibited before me, the undersigned, Clerk of the Superior Court for said County, by Susan Malinda Pleasants the executrix therein mentioned, and the due execution thereof by the said William Pleasants is proved by the oath and examination of H. A. Taylor and Charles Hicks the subscribing witnesses thereto: who, being duly sworn, doth depose and say, and each for himself deposeth and saith that he is a subscribing witness to the paper-writing now shown him purporting to be the last will and testament of William Pleasants that the said William Pleasants, in the presence of this deponent, subscribed his name at the end of said paper writing, now shown as a foresaid, and which bears date of the 13<sup>th</sup> day of December, 1890.

AND THE DEPONENT FURTHER SAITH, That the said William Pleasants the testaor aforesaid, did, at the time of subscribing his name as aforesaid, declare the said paper-writing so subscribed by him and exhibited, to be his LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT,

and this deponent did thereupon subscribe his name at the end of said Will as an attesting witness thereto, and at the request and in the presence of the said testator. And this deponent further saith, that at the said time when the said testator subscribed his name to the said last Will as aforesaid, and at the time of deponent's subscribing his name as an attesting witness thereto, as aforesaid, the said William Pleasants was of sound mind and memory, of full age to execute a will, and was not under any restraint to the knowledge, information or believe of this deponent: And further these deponents say not:

H. A. Taylor  
Charles Hicks

Severally sworn and subscribed this 18<sup>th</sup> day of February, 1893 before me.  
W. A. Bobbitt, Clerk Superior Court.

**Application for Letters Testamentary  
Granville County – in the Superior Court.**

IN THE MATTER OF THE WILL OF William Pleasants Before W. A. Bobbitt, Clerk  
Superior Court.

Mrs Susan Malinda Pleasants being duly sworn, doth say:

That William Pleasants, late of said County, is dead, having first made and published his last Will and Testament; and that Mrs Susan Malinda Pleasants is the executor named therein.

Further, that the property of the said William Pleasants consisting of \$300.00 Personal property and real Estate \$500.00 is worth about \$800.00, so far as can be ascertained at the date of this application, and that Susan Malinda Pleasants and D. J. Breedlove are the parties entitled under said will to the said property.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 18<sup>th</sup> day of Feby 1893  
W A Bobbitt



Signed by Susan M Pleasants

**EXECUTOR'S OATH  
State of North Carolina, Granville County. SS In the Superior Court.**

I, Susan Malinda Pleasants do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I believe this writing to be and contain the last Will and Testament of William Pleasants deceased; and that I will well and truly execute the same by first paying his debts and then his legacies, as far as the said estate shall extend, or the law will charge me; and that I will well and faithfully



execute the office of an executor agreeable to the trust and confidence reposed in me, and according to law, so help me God.

Sworn and subscribed before me this 18<sup>th</sup> day of Feby 1893.  
W A Bobbitt, Clerk Superior Court.

*Susan M. Pleasants*  
Signed by Susan M Pleasants

Copies of these documents provided by the North Carolina State Archives, December 15, 2011  
Granville Co. Wills, 1749-1968, CR.044.801.31, William Pleasants, 1893.

On 5 July 1909 Malinda Pleasants filed a "Widow's Application for Pension".

GRANVILLE,  
WIDOW'S APPLICATION FOR PENSION.  
ACT OF MARCH 6, 1909

Mrs. *Malinda Pleasants*  
Widow of *Wm. Pleasants*  
Company, *K*, *44* Regiment  
North Carolina State Troops.

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APPROVED FOURTH CLASS.

GRANVILLE,  
Filed by Board of Pensions of  
*Granville* County, N. C.,  
*6* day of *July* 19*09*

WIDOW'S APPLICATION FOR PENSION.

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA.

COUNTY OF Greenville

On this 5 day of July, A. D. 1909, personally appeared before me, J. G. Shattuck, C. S. C. in and for the State and county aforesaid, Malinda Pleasant, age 44 years, and a resident at Cypress R7D45 postoffice, in said county and State, and who, being duly sworn,

makes the following declaration in order to obtain the pension under the provisions of an act entitled "An act to amend chapter 674 of the Laws of 1907, for the relief of certain Confederate Soldiers Sailors and Widows," ratified March 8, 1909; that she is the widow of the late William Pleasant who enlisted in Co. K 44<sup>th</sup> Regiment North Carolina State Troops, on or about the 13 day of Feb, 1862, to serve in the armies of the late Confederate States. She further states that she was married to said soldier or sailor before the first day of January, 1865, and that she is now a widow, and has been for twelve months immediately preceding this Application for Pension a *bona fide* resident of North Carolina; that she holds no office under the United States, or under any State or county, from which she is receiving the sum of three hundred dollars as fees or as salary annually; that she is not worth in her own right, or the right of her late husband, property at its assessed value for taxation to the amount of five hundred dollars (\$500), nor has she disposed of property of such value by gift or voluntary conveyance since the 11th of March, 1865.

Sworn and subscribed to before me, this 5 day of July, 1909,  
J. G. Shattuck  
Signature of C. S. C.

Malinda Pleasant  
Signature of Applicant.

CERTIFICATE OF WITNESSES.

Also personally appeared before me, A. Dickerson, who resides at Dickerson postoffice, and J. R. Buchanan who resides at Cypress postoffice, in said county and State, whom I know to be respectable and entitled to credit, and being by me duly sworn, say that they are acquainted with Malinda Pleasant, the widow of the late Wm Pleasant, of Co. K 44<sup>th</sup> Regiment North Carolina State Troops, and that they believe her to be the identical person she represents herself to be, and that the facts set forth in her affidavit are correct to the best of their knowledge and belief, and that they have no interest, direct or indirect, in this claim.

Sworn and subscribed to before me, this 5 day of July, 1909,  
J. G. Shattuck  
Signature of C.S.C.

A. Dickerson  
J. R. Buchanan  
Signature of Witnesses

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA.  
*Granville*  
~~IMPRESS COUNTY~~ COUNTY.

To the Auditor of the State of North Carolina:

We certify that we have carefully examined the application of *Melinda Pleasant*  
the widow of the late *William Pleasant*  
who enlisted in Company *K* ..... *44*..... Regiment North Carolina State Troops, for a pension under  
the provisions of an act entitled "An act to amend chapter 674 of the Laws of 1907, for the relief of certain Con-  
federate Soldiers, Sailors and Widows," ratified March 8, 1909, and the proofs filed in support thereof; that we are  
satisfied the said *Melinda Pleasant* ..... is a widow of the late  
*William Pleasant* ..... who enlisted in Company *K* .....  
..... *44*..... Regiment North Carolina State Troops, on or about the *13*..... day of *Feb*  
186*2*. We certify the following allegations set forth in her application to be true, namely: That she is now a widow;  
that she is, and has been for twelve months immediately preceding this Application for Pension, a bona fide resident of  
North Carolina; that she holds no office under the United States, or under any State or county, from which she is  
receiving the sum of three hundred dollars as fees or as a salary annually; that she is not worth in her own right, or  
the right of her late husband, property at its assessed value for taxation to the amount of five hundred dollars (\$500),  
nor has she disposed of property of such value by gift or voluntary conveyance since the 11th day of March, 1865,  
and therefore her application is correct and just under the act.

*J. G. Shoemaker*  
Clerk Superior Court.

(IMPRESS COUNTY SEAL HERE)

Approved:  
*S. D. Boothman*  
*M. Blalock*  
*B. J. Baudette*  
County Pension Board.

Copies of these documents provided by the North Carolina State Archives,  
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State Auditor's Office Pension Series, 1901, William Pleasants, Granville County.

**Transcribed by Linda A. Perdue**

**Maude Perdue Clopton** – died December 8, 1949, Henderson, Vance County, North Carolina

Henderson Daily Dispatch, Henderson, North Carolina  
Thursday afternoon, December 8, 1949 Page 3

Obituary – Mrs. Clopton, 55, Dies At Hospital  
Funeral Will Be Saturday At 3 p.m.

Following a stroke last Sunday morning, since which time she had been critically ill. Mrs. Maude Perdue Clopton, wife of Herbert A. Clopton, of North Henderson died at 8:30 a.m. today at Maria Parham hospital.

Mrs. Clopton was a native of Henderson and was born April 14, 1894 and was a lifelong resident of this city. She was a daughter of George A. Perdue and Belle Vaughan Perdue, and was an active member of City Road Methodist church for many years.

Surviving are the husband; one son, Harold Clopton; two daughters, Mrs. Robert G. Stonesiefer, of Baltimore, Md., and Mrs. J. E. Suits, of Norfolk, Va.; one grandson; four sisters, Mrs. George R. Rooker, Mrs. D. H. Carter, Mrs. J. H. Edwards and Mrs. W. S. Strange, all of Henderson; and three brothers, George Ollie Perdue, of Henderson; W. C. Perdue, of Burlington, and Floyd Perdue, of Raleigh.

Funeral services will be held at the residence Saturday afternoon at three o'clock, conducted by Rev. H. F. Leatherman, pastor of City Road Methodist church, assisted by Rev. Leonard Thomas, pastor of North Henderson Baptist church. Burial will follow in Elmwood cemetery.

Pallbearers were named as follows:

Active -- Archie Knight, Wallace Edwards, Tally Perdue, B. B. Grissom, A. L. Faulkner, Curtis Carter.

Honorary – Henry A Dennis, E. O. Falkner, Kenneth Hawkins, J. Glenn, Carl Bowling, George A. Parrish, Elbert Bradsher, Joseph Woodlief, Raymond Adams, Eugene Nelson, A. B. Conn, Donald Reavis, E. C. Seaman, Henry Daniel and Carlton Flowers.

The body will remain at the Kesler Funeral Home until Friday afternoon, when it will be removed to the residence to await the funeral Saturday afternoon.

NOTES: Tally Perdue (my father) is Tyrus Ollie Perdue – his nickname from childhood is "Tally". George Ollie Perdue is the father of Tyrus Ollie Perdue, my grandfather.

**Transcribed by Linda A. Perdue**

**Mrs. B. W. Clapton** – died April 20, 1929, Henderson, Vance County, North Carolina

Henderson Daily Dispatch, Henderson, North Carolina  
Saturday, April 20, 1929, Page 2

Obituary – Mrs. B. W. Clapton Passes Away Today

Mrs. B. W. Clapton, age 72 years died this morning at her home in the Gilburg community, after being in feeble health for several months. She was a widow of the late B. W. Clapton of Vance county, and had made her home in the same community for sometime.

The deceased is survived by the following children, Mrs. J. L. Holmes, Mrs. J. W. Knight and Mrs. A. L. Faulkner, H. A. Clapton and B. W. Clapton, Jr., all of Henderson, Funeral services will be held from New Sandy Creek Baptist church tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock of which she was a member. The services will be conducted by Rev. Evans assisted by Rev. H. A. Ellis of the First church.

NOTES: Mrs B. W. Clapton was the wife of Benjamin Wiley Clapton/Clopton. Her name is Tabitha Lloyd Clopton.

This is based on viewing the death certificates for H. A. Clapton (Herbert Ashville Clapton) and B. W. Clapton, Jr (Benjamin Wiley Clapton).

The information from her death certificate (Ancestry.com) indicates the following:

Mrs. Tabith Lloyd/Loyd was born 10 October 1856 in North Carolina and died on April 20, 1929 in Sandy Creek area of Vance County, North Carolina. Her father's name was Robert Lloyd (Loyd). Her mother's name was Fannie Short.

She was 72 years of age when she passed away.

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