

CHAPTER 15  
DESCENDANTS OF  
LEMUEL AND MISSOURIE PEEL GARDNER

The remainder of this book will be devoted to the decedents of Lemuel and Missourie Peel Gardner. It will be divided into several chapters and these chapters will not take the children in the order that they were born. In this chapter I will cover the ones whom I have the least information about.

2. James T. Gardner was born April 29, 1870 and was the second child of Lemuel and Missourie Gardner (see the family chart on page 296). He went to Alabama to live and work after he grew up. I do not know where in Alabama he lived. He died in Danville, Virginia August 22, 1901. He was found dead in his hotel room by a hotel employee. He had been traveling by train from Alabama to Virginia in order to visit his parents and was spending the night in Danville before continuing on to Suffolk, Virginia.

3. Bettie Gardner was born August 13, 1871 and was the third child of Lemuel and Missourie Gardner (see the family chart on page 296). She never married and lived at home with her mother and father until they passed away. She then went to live with her brother, Oscar Lee Gardner, in Buckhorn, Virginia. She died April 18, 1948 and is also buried at South Quay Baptist Church.

9. Oscar Lee Gardner was born November 27, 1887 and was the ninth child of Lemuel and Missourei Gardner ( see the family chart on page 296). He worked for the Seaboard Coast Line Railroad for a while in Buckhorn, Virginia as station agent. The railroad wanted to transfer him to

the Suffolk station, but he did not want to live in Suffolk. Therefore, he quit his job and opened a store in Buckhorn which operated the rest of his life. He died March 5, 1954 and was buried at South Quay Baptist Church beside his sister Bettie.

6. Putmon D. Gardner was born March 18, 1879 and was the sixth child of Lemuel and Missourie Gardner (see the family chart on page 296). I do not have any more information on him except for his death. He died July 16, 1894 and is also buried at South Quay Baptist Church.

5. India Nora Gardner was born November 4, 1877 and was the 5 th. child of Lemuel and Missourie Gardner (see the family chart on page 296). She never married and also lived at her parents home. She died March 23, 1908. She is also buried at South Quay Baptist Church.

10. Annie Mae Gardner was born March 18, 1890 and was the 10 th. Child of Lemuel and Missourie Gardner. She taught school but I do not know where she was educated. She married late in life. She was married to Stanton Blount and they lived in Gates County, North Carolina. She was buried at a Church in that area but her husband latter had her remains moved to Portsmouth, Virginia. He had sold his farm and remarried and was living in Portsmouth at the time. I do not know the name of the cemetery in which she is buried. Annie had no children.

7. Hudson J. Gardner was born August 18, 1881 and was seventh child of Lemuel and Missourie Gardner (see the family chart on page 296). Hudson Gardner married Eva S. Byrd. I do not have the date of their marriage. He had no children of his own, however he was the step father of Texanna Smith Byrd. Hudson died February 8, 1926.

7A. Texanna Smith Byrd was born January 1, 1915 and was the step daughter of Hudson Gardner. She married Durward Cecil Butler September 9, 1933. They had five children:

1. Frances Yvonne Butler - born June 17, 1935.
2. Judith Rene Butler - born October 10, 1942.
3. Durward Anne Butler - born October 22, 1944.
4. Linda Lynnette Butler - born September 20, 1945.
5. Cecil Eugene Butler - born August 28, 1953.

(See the family chart on page 303)

Texanna Smith Byrd Butler died May 28, 1985.

1. Frances Yvonne Butler married Riddick Marshall Jones, Jr. They have two children:
  - A. Riddick Marshall Jones III - born May 20, 1960. He married Joy Jones December 20, 1960. They have one child - Riddick Marshall Jones IV - born July 17, 1982.

(See the family chart on page 304 & 305).

- B. Vicki Sylinda Jones- born December 28, 1965. She married Geoffry Jones September 15, 1984.

(See the family chart on page 305)

2. Judith Rene Butler married Willard Ray Hatfield November 4, 1961. They have one son.
    - A. Michael Ray Hatfield - born January 18, 1966. He married Paula September 29, 1990.

(See the family chart on page 305)

3. Durward Anne Butler married John Kirby Smith September 18, 1966. They have one child.
    - A. Joseph Kirby Smith - born February 17, 1973.

(See the family chart on page 306)

*Descendants of Texanna Smith Byrd*

Texanna Smith  
Byrd  
1915 - 1985

Durward Cecil  
Butler  
1909 - 1983

Children

Frances Yvonne  
Butler  
1935 -

Riddick Marshall  
Jones, Jr.  
1934 -

Judith Rene  
Butler  
1942 -

Willard Ray  
Hatfield  
1940 -

Durward Anne  
Butler  
1944 -

John Kirby  
Smith  
1942 -

Linda Lynnette  
Butler  
1945 -

Eugene Moore  
Dilday

Cecil Eugene  
Butler  
1953 -

Elizabeth  
Leggett

*Descendants of Riddick Marshall Jones, Jr.*

Riddick Marshall  
Jones, Jr.  
1934 -

Frances Yvonne  
Butler  
1935 -

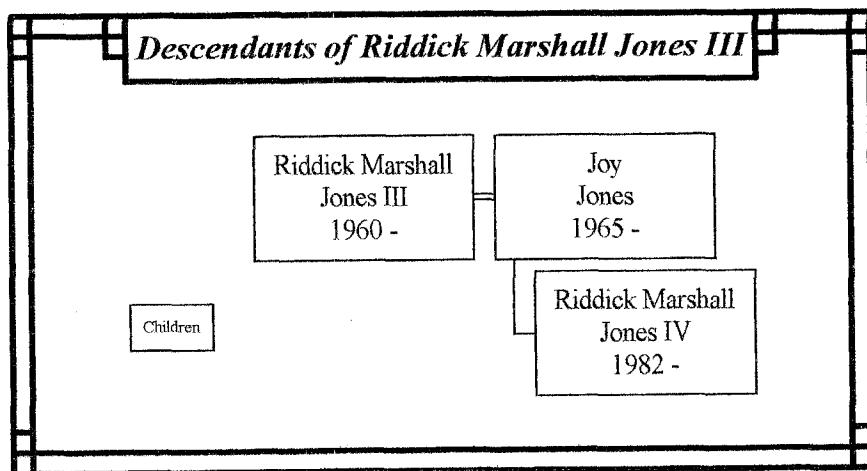
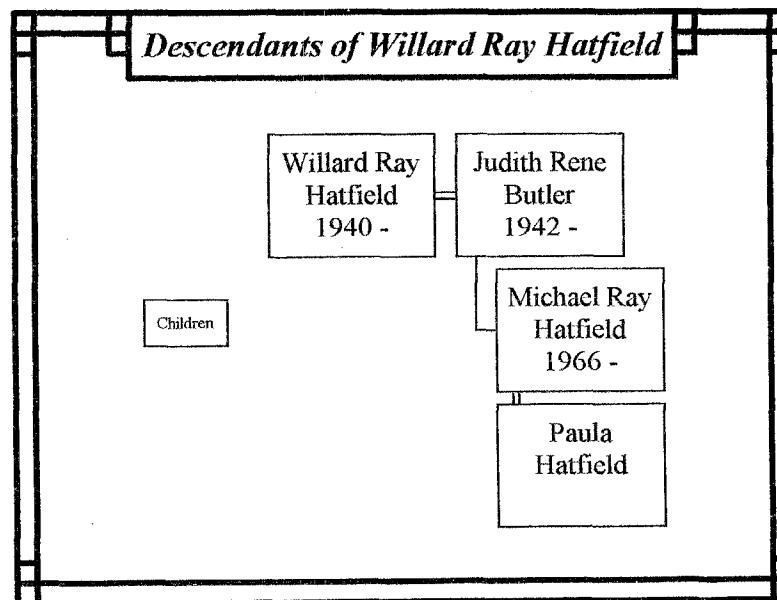
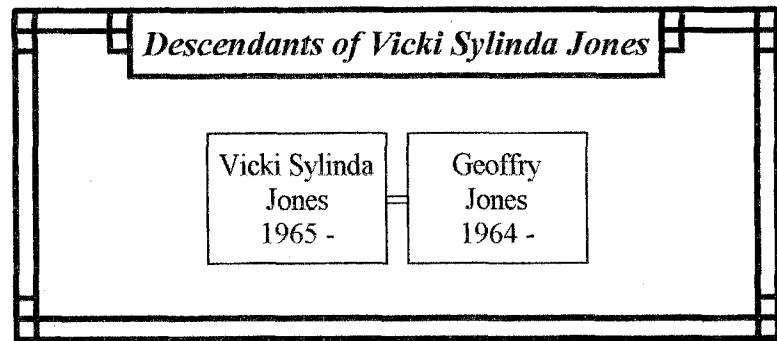
Children

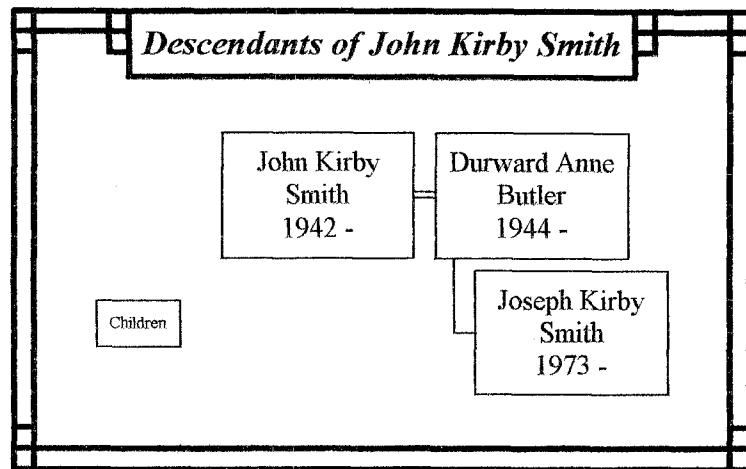
Riddick Marshall  
Jones III  
1960 -

Joy  
Jones  
1965 -

Vicki Sylinda  
Jones  
1965 -

Geoffry  
Jones  
1964 -





4. Linda Lynnette Butler married Eugene Moore Dilday March 14, 1964. They have two children.

- A. Beth Lynnette Dilday - born September 11, 1969.
- B. Bryan Eugene Dilday - born February 12, 1974.

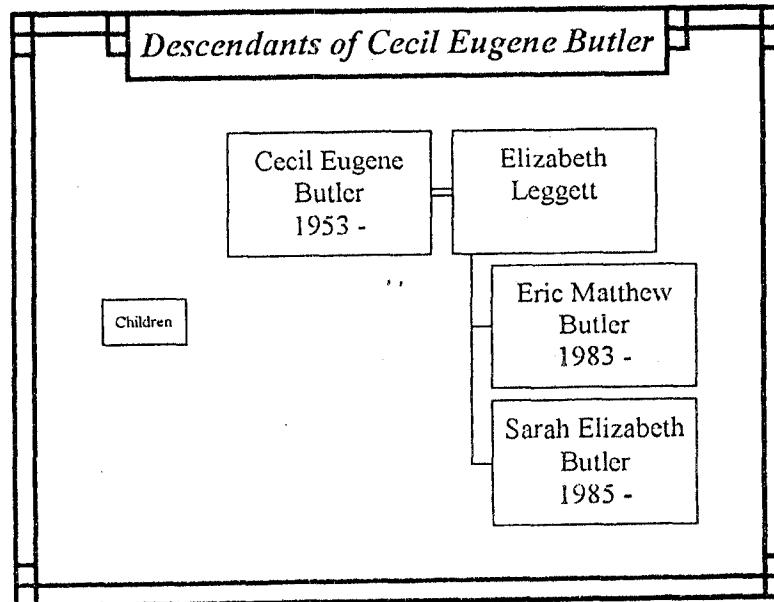
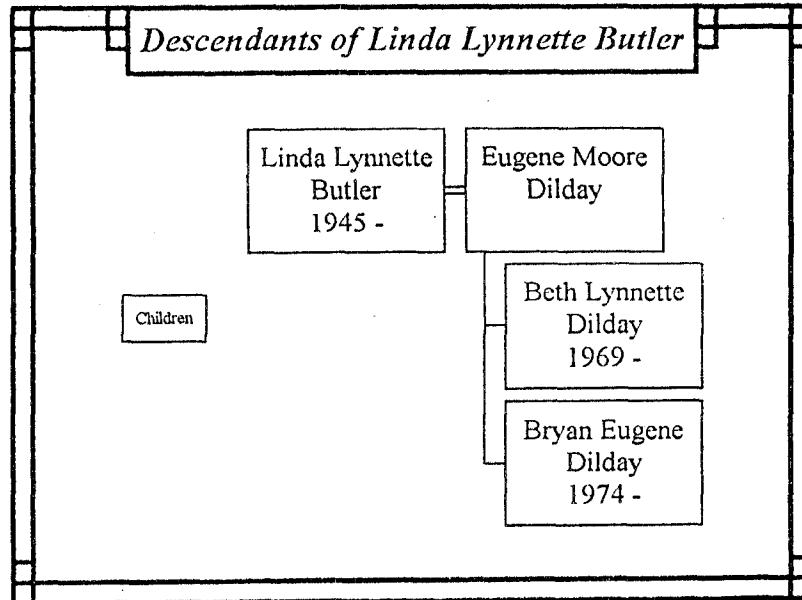
(See the family chart on page 307)

5. Cecil Eugene Butler married Elizabeth Leggett September 14, 1980. They have two children.

- A. Eric Matthew Butler - born December 19, 1983.
- B. Sarah Elizabeth Butler - born February 28, 1985.

(See the family chart on page 307)

This concludes all the information that I have on Hudson J. Gardner and his family. Hudson J. Gardner is buried at Bethlehem U. C. C. in Suffolk, Virginia.



CHAPTER 16

THIS CHAPTER WILL BE DEVOTED TO

THE FAMILIES OF

JOSEPH C. GARDNER AND LEMUEL RANDOLPH GARDNER

4. Joseph C. Gardner was born July 12, 1873. He was the fourth child of Lemuel and Missourie Gardner (see the family chart on page 296). He married Katie Holland April 27, 1904. He was a farmer and his farm was on Box Elder Rd. In Suffolk, Virginia. Of course, when he was living the area was Nansemond County. He and Katie had four children:

- A. Lloyd Holland Gardner - born June 9, 1905.
- B. Joe Henry Gardner - born July 24, 1908.
- C. Bettie Sue Gardner - born October 5, 1910.
- D. Nannie Sue Gardner - born October 5, 1910.

(See the family chart on page 309)

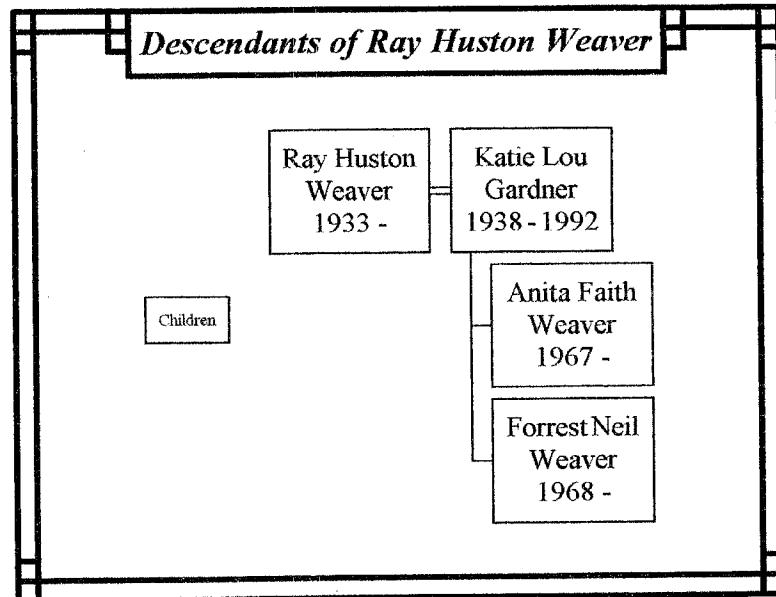
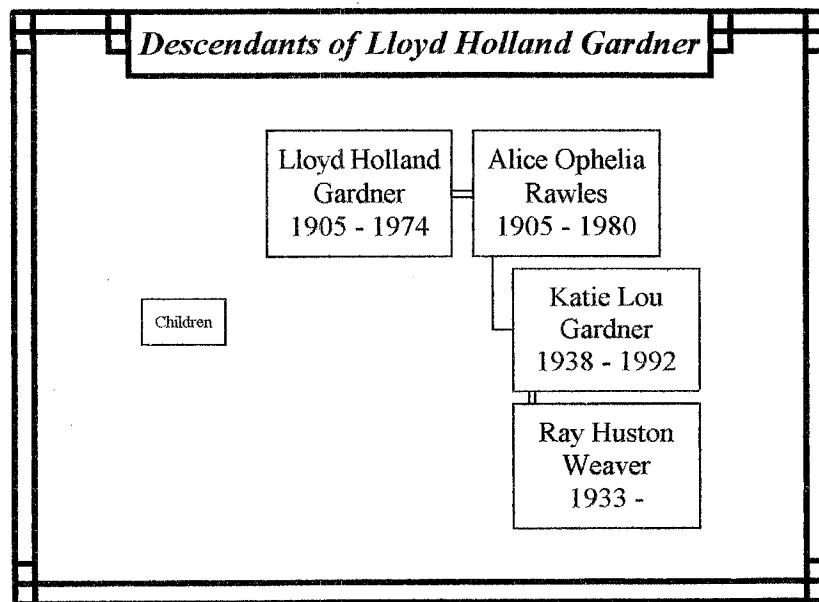
Joseph C. Gardner died November 28, 1924. He left the farm to his wife and four children. However, his son Loyd bought out his two sisters part. His brother, Joe Henry, would not sell his part of the farm to Loyd. His wife, Kattie Holland Gardner was born January 1, 1873 and died November 8, 1957.

A. Lloyd Holland Gardner married Alice Ophelia Rawles April 22, 1937. Alice was born June 23, 1905. They had one child.

- 1A. Katie Lou Gardner - born December 13, 1938.

(See the family chart on page 309)

Lloyd and Alice lived on the farm and he cultivated the land as long as he was able. He then rented



the farm out. Lloyd died December 3, 1974. After his death, his wife Alice went to live with their daughter in Stuart Draft, Virginia. Alice Gardner died October 28, 1980. After her death the farm was sold for building lots and now has several homes built there.

1A. Katie Lou Gardner married Ray Huston Weaver May 25, 1963. Ray was from Stuart Draft, Virginia and that is where he and Katie made their home. They have two children;

1. Anita Faith Weaver - born July 22, 1967.
2. Forrest Neil Weaver - born October 23, 1968.

(See the family chart on page 309)

Katie Lou passed away November 29, 1992 from a heart attack. I have no other information on this family.

2. Joe Henry Gardner married Mary Edith Camp January 19, 1933. They lived on what is now Quaker Drive in Suffolk, Virginia. Joe Henry was also a farmer all his life. Mary Edith was born August 5, 1911. Joe Henry Gardner was the son of Joseph C. and Kattie Holland Gardner (see the family chart on page 296). Mary Edith and Joe Henry had two children:

- 2A. Betty Sue Gardner - born October 5, 1933.
- 2B. Joseph Decatur Gardner - born April 5, 1941.

(See the family chart on page 311)

2A. Betty Sue Gardner drowned in an unfortunate accident while at church camp. She died June 25, 1953.

2B. Joseph Decatur Gardner married Sonya Gates April 21, 1962. Sonya was born July 3, 1942. They lived near Black Creek, Virginia. They had three children:

1. Joseph Decatur Gardner, Jr. - born September 13, 1963.
2. Sue Ann Gardner - born July 24, 1965.

### *Descendants of Joe Henry Gardner*

Joe Henry  
Gardner  
1908 - 1987

Mary Edith  
Camp  
1911 - 1980

Children

Betty Sue  
Gardner  
1933 - 1953

Joseph Decatur  
Gardner  
1941 - 1998

Sonya  
Gates  
1942 -

### *Descendants of Joseph Decatur Gardner*

Joseph Decatur  
Gardner  
1941 - 1998

Sonya  
Gates  
1942 -

Children

Joseph Decatur  
Gardner, Jr.  
1963 -

Robin  
Kitchen

Sue Ann  
Gardner  
1965 -

Dwight  
Blythe

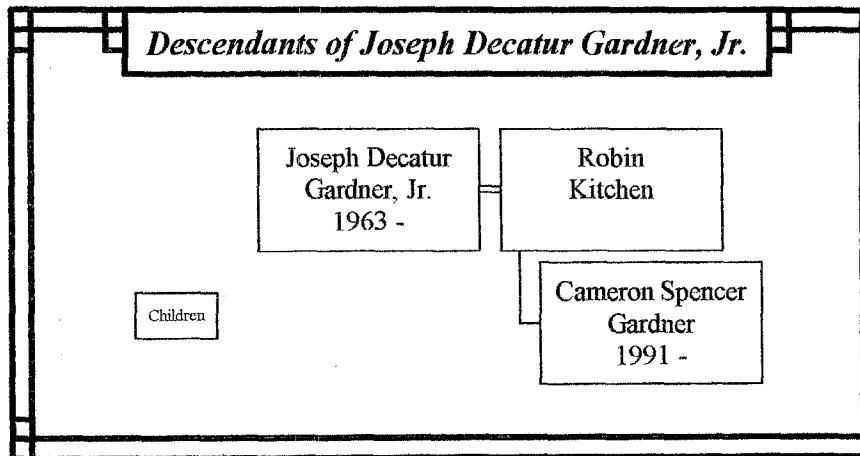
Jon Eric  
Gardner  
1969 -

3. Jon Eric Gardner - born June 12, 1969.

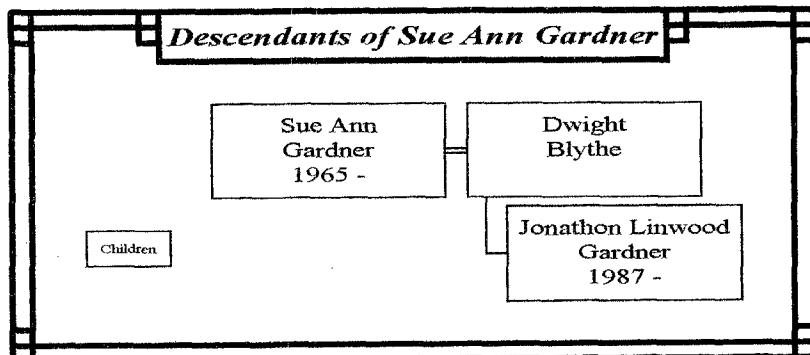
(See the family chart on page 311)

Joseph Decatur Gardner died May 15, 1998. Sonya Gates Gardner still lives in their home at Black Creek, Virginia.

1. Joseph Decatur Gardner, Jr. Robin Kitchen November 1, 1987. They have one child - Cameron Spencer Gardner - born September 12, 1991. (See the family chart below)



2. Sue Ann Gardner married Dwight Blythe. She has one child - Jonothon Linwood Gardner - born September 21, 1987. She lives in the Joe Henry and Mary Edith Gardner home on Quaker Dr. in Suffolk, Virginia. (See the family chart below)



3. Jon Eric Gardner - I have no other information for this child.

This all the information I have on Joe Henry Gardner and his decedents.

4. Bettie Mary Gardner was the third child of Joseph C. and Kattie Holland Gardner. She was born October 5, 1910. She first married Garland Augustus Holland (he was born December 21, 1909). I do not have a wedding date for them.

(see the family chart on page 314)

There was one child born to this marriage:

4A. Nancy Virginia Holland - born November 19, 1928.

Nancy Virginia Holland married Calvin Cooledge Duke June 28, 1946. There were two children born to them. Calvin Cooledge Duke died July 2, 1978.

(See the family chart on page 315)

1. James Calvin Duke - born July 3, 1947. He married Donna Lee Capps June 15, 1974. They had one child - James Clayton Duke - born December 31, 1976. James Calvin Duke died February 12, 1985.

2. Joan Elizabeth Duke - July 12, 1952. She married John Robert Glover August 12, 1979.

(See the family chart on page 315)

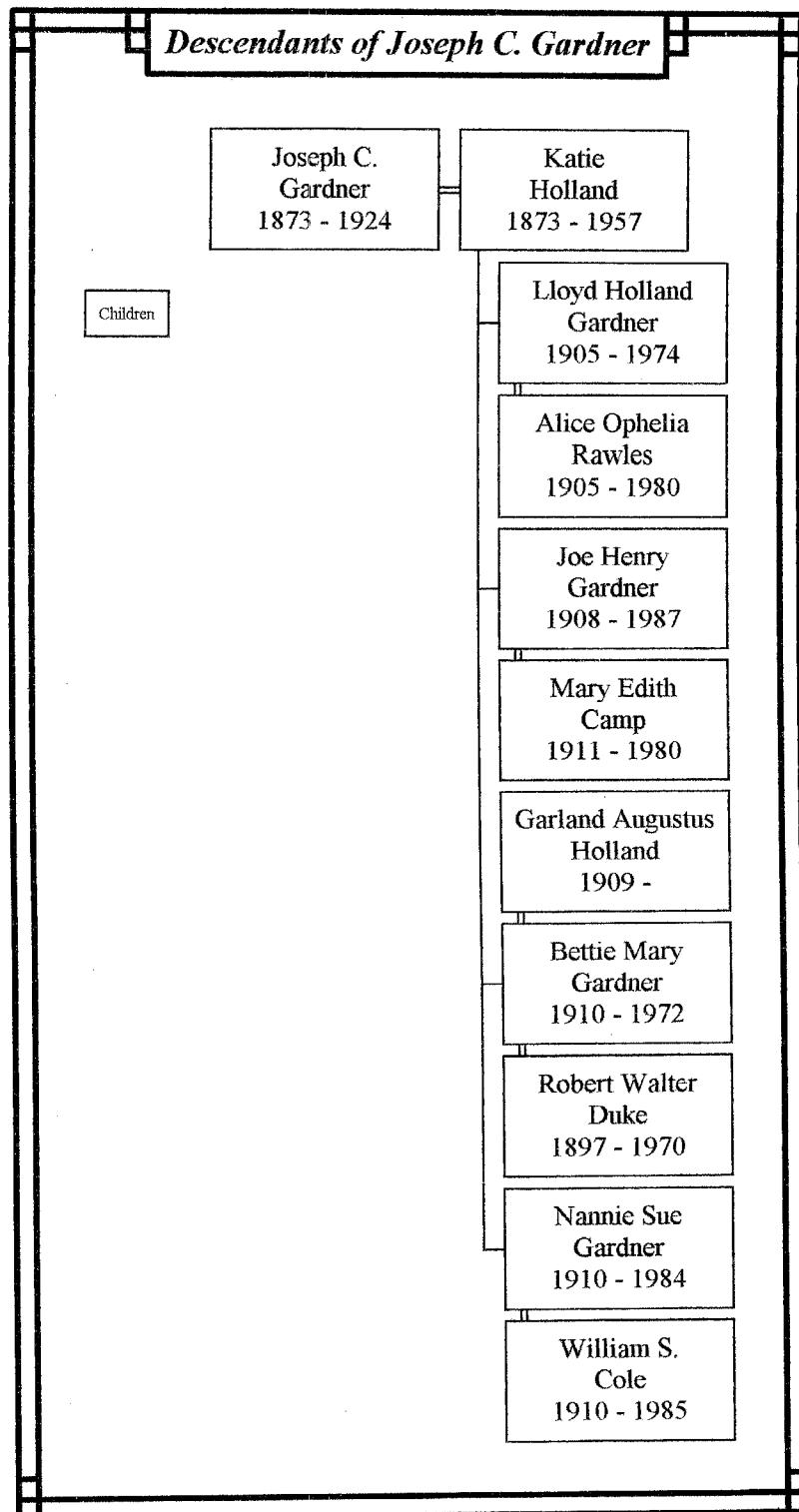
Bettie Mary Gardner's second husband was Robert Walter Duke. They were married March 28, 1948. There was one child born to this marriage:

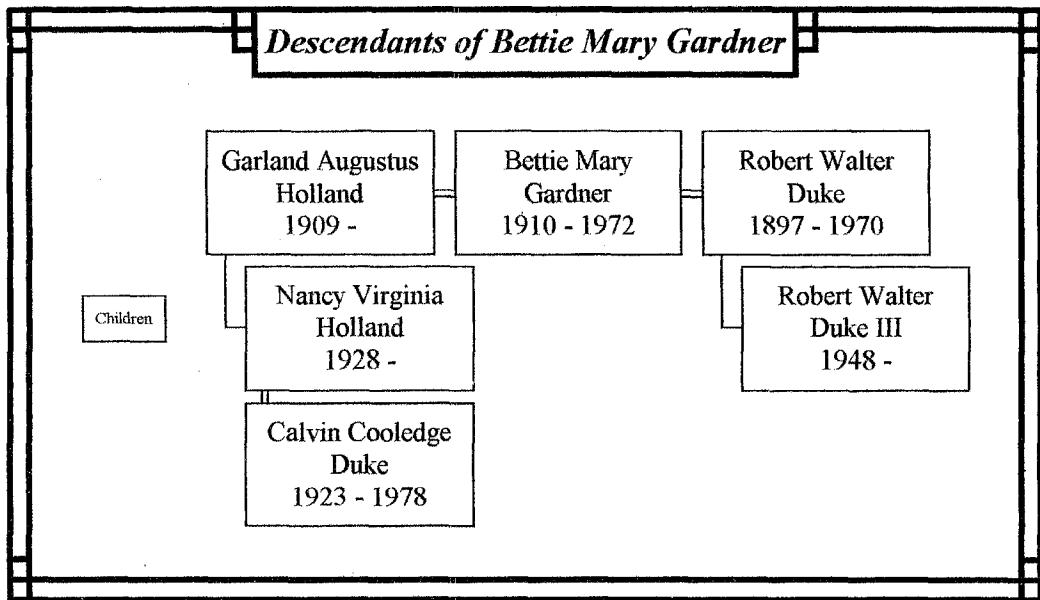
1. Robert Walter Duke III - born December 13, 1948.

Robert Walter Duke died December 6, 1970 and Bettie Mary Gardner Duke died January 19, 1972.

(See the family chart on page 316)

## *Descendants of Joseph C. Gardner*





4. Nannie Sue Gardner was the fourth child of Joseph C. and Katie Holland Gardner. She was born October 5, 1910. She married William S. Cole November 29, 1935. They lived in northern Virginia. William S. Cole died October 4, 1985 and Nannie Sue died June 29, 1984. There were two children born to this marriage:

4A. Diane Cole - born March 22, 1938.

4B. Sandra Cole - born September 1, 1942.

(See the family chart on page 317)

4A. Diane Cole married William H. Adams March 19, 1960. They have three children:

1. William H. Adams, Jr. - born November 21, 1963.

2. Christine Adams - born October 19, 1966.

3. Tracey Adams - born July 25, 1969.

(See the family chart on page 318)

2. Christine Adams married Dave D'Amato October 1, 1988. They have one child - Nichole

D'Amato - born September 21, 1991. (See the family chart on page 318)

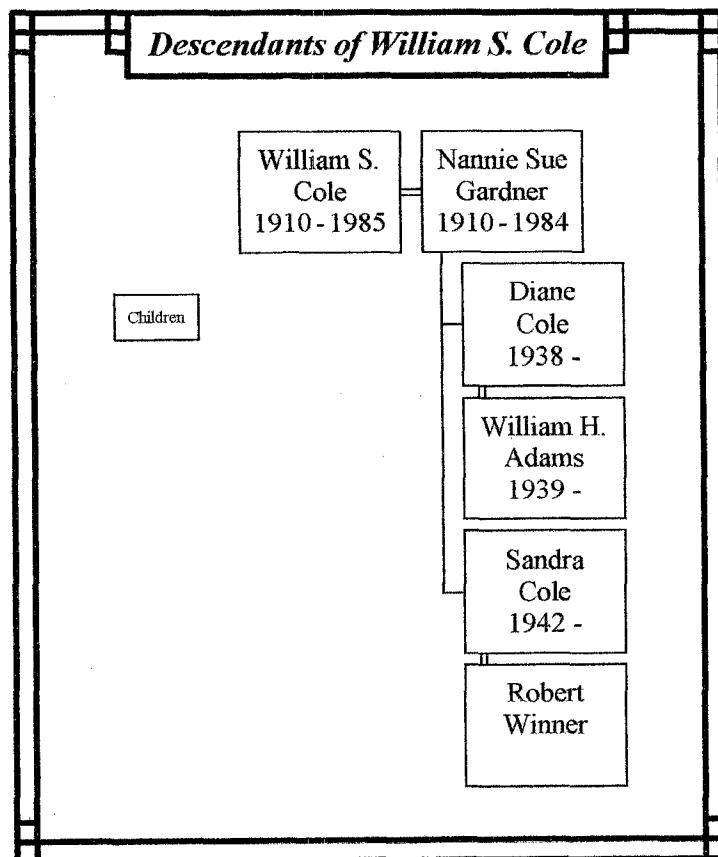
3. Tracey Adams married Jeff Graham February 6, 1990. They have one child - Matthew Graham - born August 16, 1991. (See the family chart on page 319)

4B. Sandra Cole married Robert Winner March 26, 1962. They have two children:

1. John Winner - born November 27, 1964.

2. Joan Winner - born December 16, 1970.

(See the family chart on page 319)



### *Descendants of Diane Cole*

Children

Diane  
Cole  
1938 -

William H.  
Adams  
1939 -

William H.  
Adams, Jr.  
1963 -

Christine  
Adams  
1966 -

Dave  
D'Amato

Tracey  
Adams  
1969 -

Jeff  
Graham

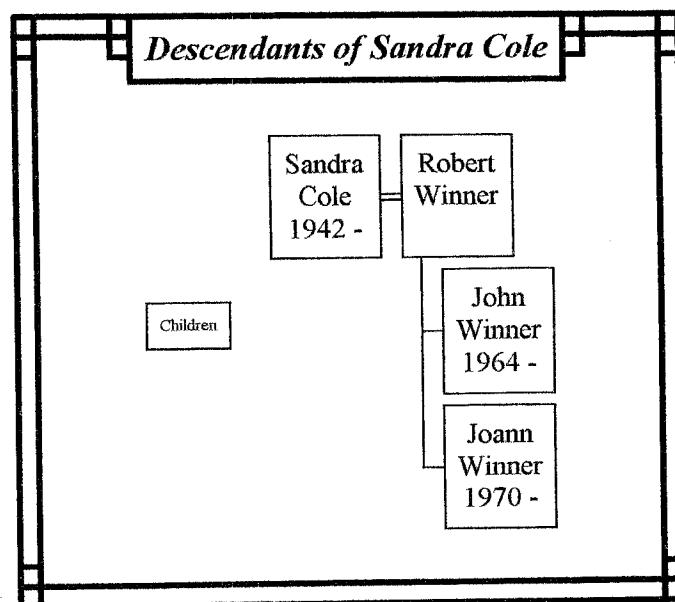
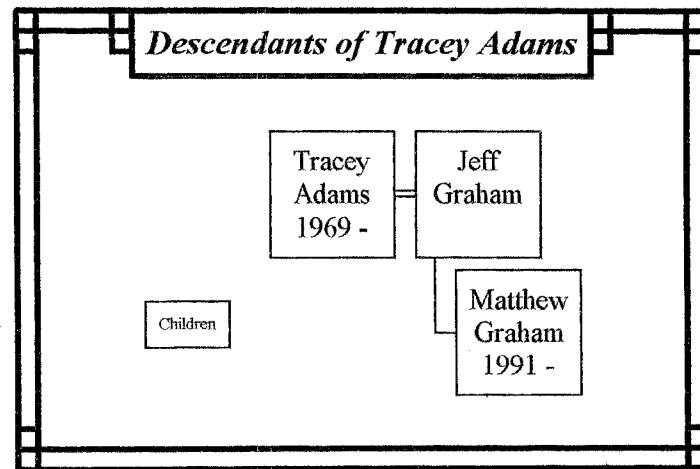
### *Descendants of Christine Adams*

Children

Christine  
Adams  
1966 -

Dave  
D'Amato

Nichole  
D'Amato  
1991 -



This concludes all the information which I have on Joseph C. Gardner and Katie Holland Gardner and their descendants.

8. Lemuel Randolph Gardner was the 8 th. Child of Lemuel and Missourie Peel Gardner. (See the family chart on page 296). He was born September 20, 1884. He married Jessie Holland March 17, 1917. He owned and cultivated a farm on State Rt. 58 in Suffolk, Virginia (between Holland and Suffolk). Jessie Holland was born December 15, 1890. They had three children:

8A. Randolph Holland Gardner - born August 14, 1918.

8B. James Roger Gardner - born March 4, 1924.

8C. Alice Gardner - born March 24, 1924.

Lemuel Randolph Gardner died January 4, 1962 and his wife, Jessie Holland Gardner, died October 12, 1970. (See the family chart on page 322)

8A. Randolph Holland Gardner married Margaret Spiers September 11, 1942. Margaret Spiers was born February 1, 1922. They had two children:

1. Nancy Faye Gardner - born July 18, 1946.

2. Freddie Randolph Gardner - born July 27, 1953.

Randolph and Margaret's home is on the farm which belonged to Randolph's father. Randolph died March 25, 2000 from a stroke. (See the family chart on page 323)

1. Nancy Faye Gardner married Alvin Owens. I do not have the date of this marriage. They had one child, Melissa Claire Owens - born June 25, 1977. Nancy and Alvin are now divorced.

Nancy then married David Kent Daughtrey September, 1980. Kent was born March 27, 1955. There was one child born to this marriage, Jessie Amanda Daughtrey - born October 8, 1981 (See the family chart on page 323). Nancy and Kent live in the home place of Lemuel Randolph and Jessie Holland Gardner.

2. Freddie Randolph Gardner married Mitzi Jo Copeland. I do not have the date of their marriage. They have two children, Shana Rene Gardner - born May 8, 1976, and Nathan Randolph

Gardner - born February 17, 1984. Freddie and Mitzi make their home in Suffolk, Virginia (see the family chart on page 324).

8B. James Roger Gardner married Rebecca Gertrude Harriman June 22, 1946. Rebecca was born April 20, 1922. They have one child, Edward Keith Gardner - born November 8, 1956. Roger and Gertrude are now divorced. They both still live in Suffolk, Virginia.

Roger is now married to Bess Boyce. They have no children and live in Suffolk, Virginia.

(See the family chart on page 324)

8C. Alice Gardner married Percy Bridger April 20, 1946. Percy was born July 21, 1919. Their home is also located on the farm of Alice's father, Lemuel Randolph Gardner. They have two children:

1. Gail Bridger - born March 8, 1953.
2. Frank Sterling Bridger - born October 19, 1958.

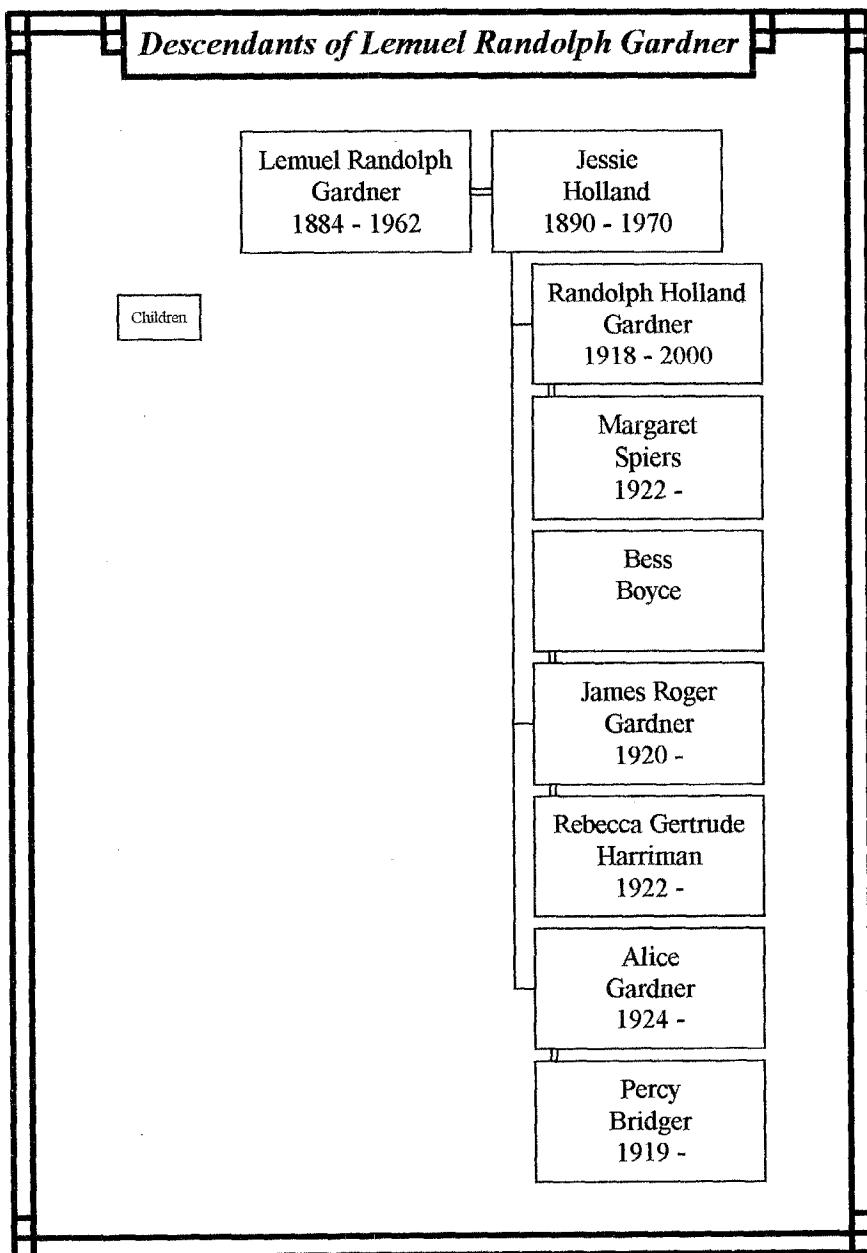
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1. Gail Bridger married Fred Roptto May 22, 1982. Fred was born August 1, 1939. They have two children:

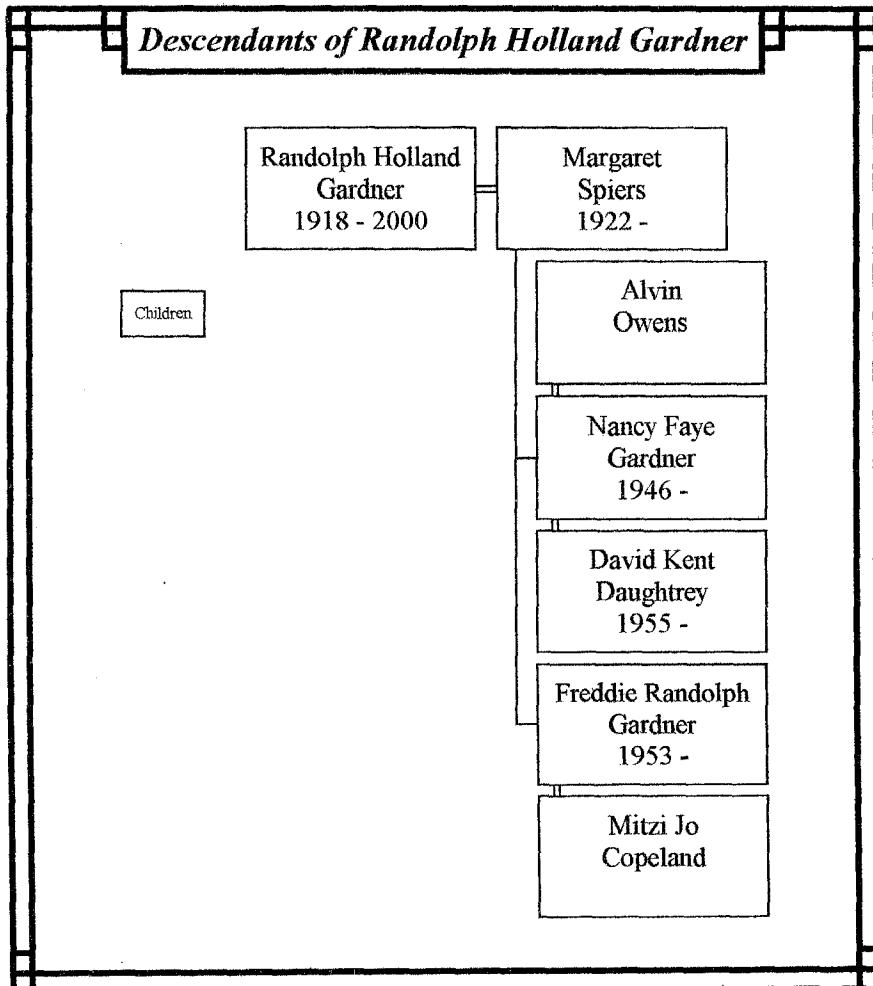
- 1A. Linda Roptto - born in 1964.
- 1B. Mark Roptto - born in 1966. Mark is married to Teresa - born March 22, 1966. I do not have her maiden name. (See the family chart on page 325)
2. Frank Sterling Bridger married Alice Ray Piland Duke December 30, 1978. Alice Ray was born June 24, 1953. She has one child by a previous marriage, Angie Duke - born August 5, 1975. Frank and Alice have one child, Brian Christopher Bridger - born February 3, 1981.

(See the family chart on page 326)

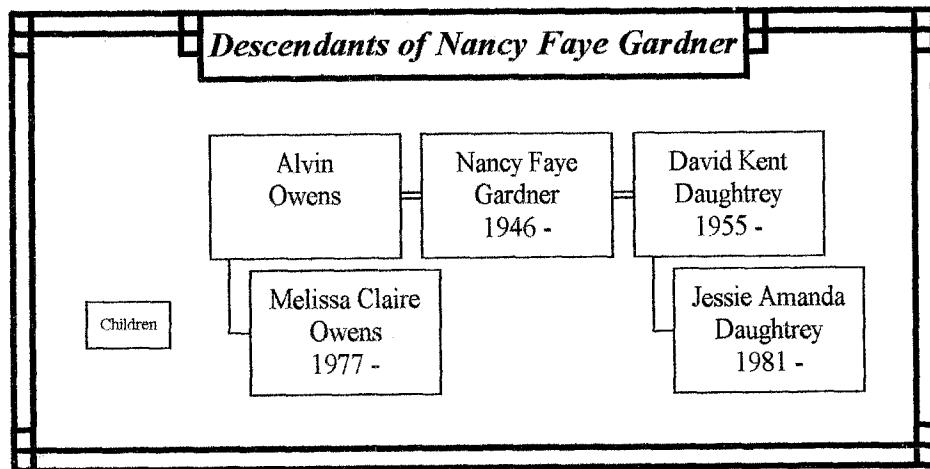
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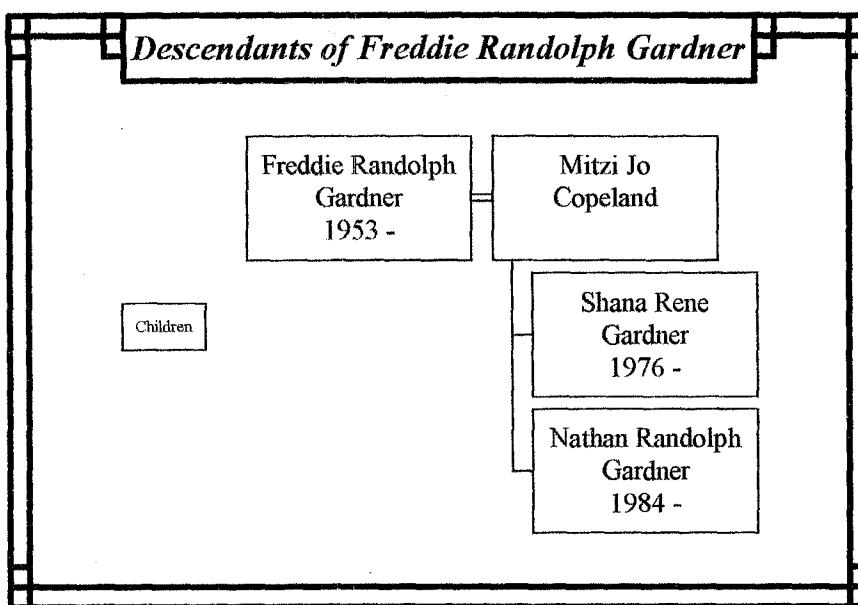
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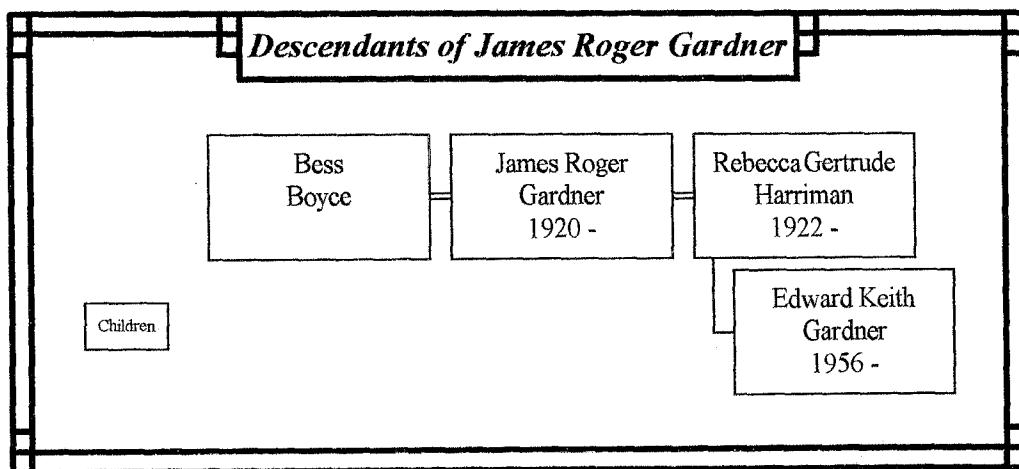
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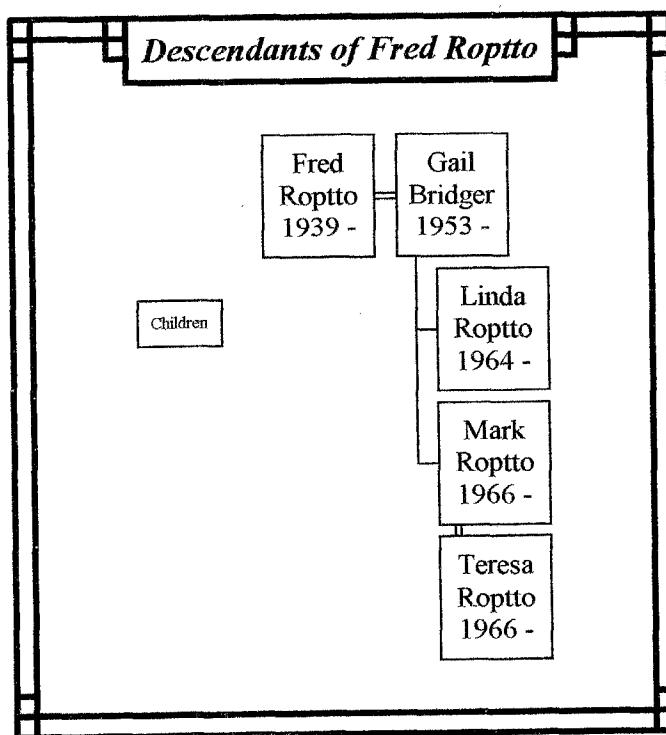
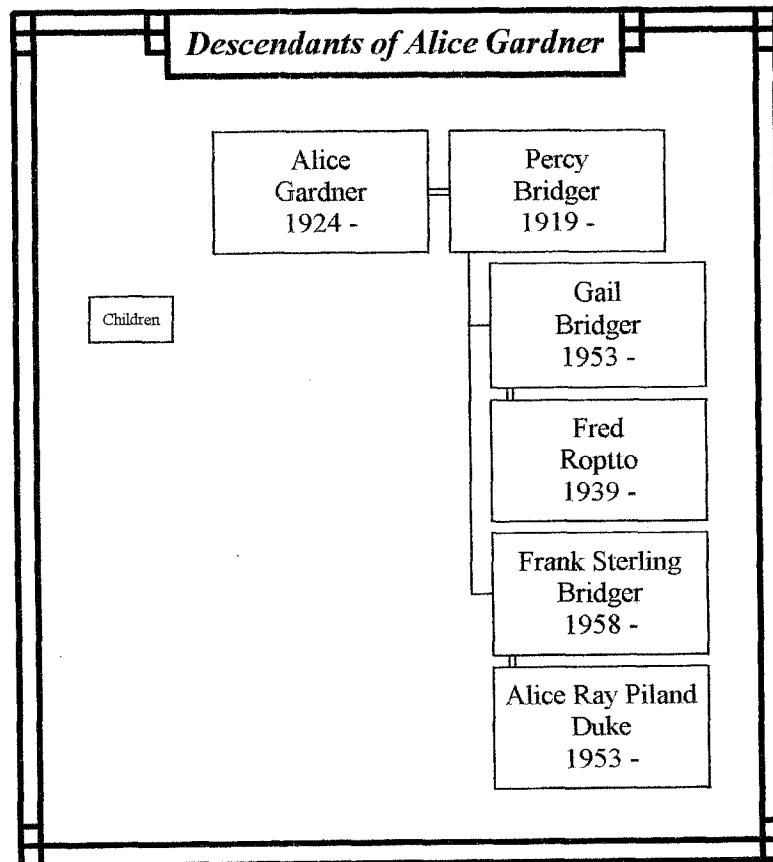


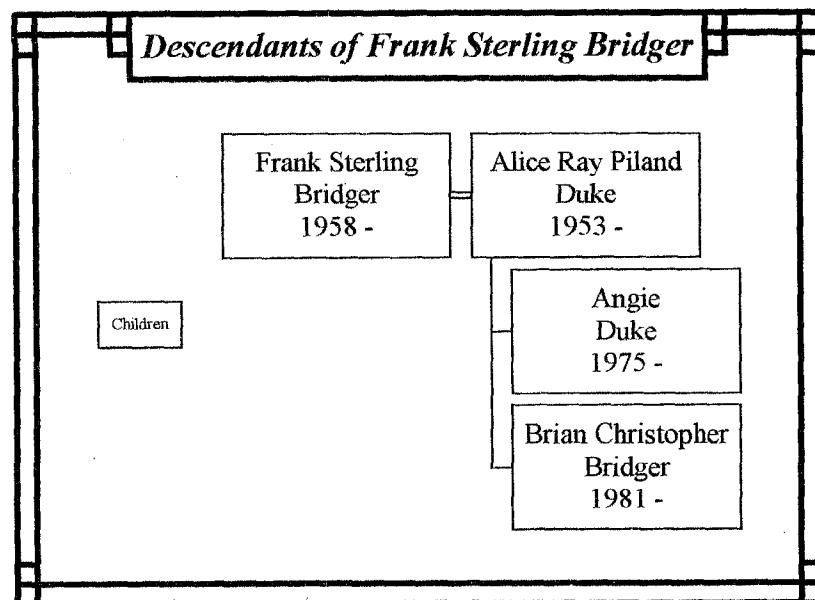
*Descendants of Freddie Randolph Gardner*



*Descendants of James Roger Gardner*







This concludes all the information which I have on Lemuel Randolph Gardner and his wife Jessie Holland Gardner and their families.