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From The Editor

Late again ... guess you're going to need to replace me. The end of the old and beginning of the new year has been extremely busy for me. I was promoted from Technical Support Analyst to Information Technology Director the first of the year. We are in a major software upgrade and part of my responsibilities is the development of the database architecture for the next generation of our application. As a result, I have spent three weeks so far in Dallas studying at the Oracle University. I'll be back down there in April for a week and at least one more week before the end of June. I'm also going to be in Florida during February for training.

By the way, if you're going to be in or you live in one of the towns where I'll be for training, let me know and let's try and get together for coffee or dinner or something. I would love to meet you and talk about your branch of the family.

Needless to say, with the new job responsibilities and the training I have simply fallen behind on putting this issue together. I'll try to do better for the April issue. I want to thank Glen Summitt for some of his efforts in providing the informative articles in this issue.

This is the last issue of the

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Descendants of Clemmie Columbus and Mary Causby Summitt

Generation No. 1

1. CLEMMIE COLUMBUS⁶ SUMMITT (WILLIAM PINKNEY⁵ SUMMIT, DANIEL F⁴, UNKNOWN MALE³, JOHANNES FRANTZ² SAMMET, JACOB¹) was born June 23, 1904 in North Carolina and died January 31, 1988 in Kings Mountain, Cleveland County, North Carolina. He married MARY CAUSBY, daughter of WILLIAM CAUSBY and ELIZABETH LOWDERMILK. She was born Abt. 1906 in Burke County, North Carolina, and died December 31, 1997 in Kings Mountain, Cleveland Cty, NC.

Notes for CLEMMIE COLUMBUS SUMMITT:

CLEMMIE SUMMITT 23 Jun 1904 31 Jan 1988 28086 (Kings Mountain, Cleveland, NC) (No Location Given) 241-14-6661 North Carolina (Before 1951)

Name: SUMMITT, CLEMMIE COLUMBUS
Date of Birth: June 23, 1904
Death Date: January 31, 1988
Sex: Male
Race: White
Age: 83 Years
Place of Occurance: Kings Mountain (P), Cleveland, North Carolina
Place of Residence: . Cleveland, North Carolina
Autopsy: No
Hospital: General Hospital 50-99 Beds
Marital Status: Married



Clem and Mary 50th Anniversary

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Confirmations and other information from the St. Paul Lutheran Church records

Confirmations

October 11, 1874

Anderson F. Shaffer, Rebecca E. Shaffer, Filmore Clemmer, Mary E. Moser, Josefine Summitt, Confirmed by J. Cloninger, David S. Summitt.

May 30, 1875

Joseph Shields, Jr.

December 26, 1875

Miranda T. Summitt, Molly Samples, John M. Moser

April 22, 1876

John Brakebill, son of William Brakebill, John Lankford, John G. Davis

March 4, 1877

Nathan Davis, Henry Sheets (age 45)

May 13, 1877

Nancy J. Summitt (age 13), J. H. Summitt (age 22), Dan H. Moser (age 16),. All were confirmed by J. Cloninger.

May 11, 1878

Thomas J. Farmer (age 20), Anna James (age 12), Frances E. Moser (age 11), and Mary E. Weathers (age 15) by J. Cloninger.

May 12, 1878

John F. Summitt (age 14) and W. H. Summitt (age 12) by J. Cloninger.

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eight year of publication. April starts our ninth year of publication. We're looking for ideas for the first issue of our ninth year. We're looking for pictures, stories, maps, anything that will help us all learn more about the family history.

Well, that's all I have room to day this issue. Let me know what you'd like to see in the future.

Paul

The picture below is of your editor (2nd from the right) and the other four students at Oracle University's Oracle 9i Performance Tuning class held in Dallas January 13-17. One more class and four exams and I will hold the Oracle 9i DBA (database administrator) certification.



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NASE Scholarship Winner



Matthew Summitt

(Editor's Note: Glen found this and forwarded it to us recently. We congratulate Matthew on this honor. For more information you can visit http://www.nase.org/sea_sep0ct02/pdf/08-1053.pdf on the Web.)

**Matthew Summitt,
son of David Summitt**

Matthew Summitt of Paragould, AR, will be a freshman at Harding University (Searcy, AR) where he will major in pre-medicine. He was vice president of the student council, a member of the National Honor Society, yearbook staff and acapella chorus.

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October 13, 1878

Sarah Catherine Lankford (age 15), Joseph Gaston, W. H. Howard (age 15), and John Hoffman (age 21) by J. Cloninger

May 8, 1881

Elviry Josphine Cloninger, Mary J. Cloninger, Margaret Ann Summitt, Isabella Summitt, and Penelopy Davis by J. Cloninger.

October 8, 1881

Mary Ann Clemmer and Isabella Blankenship by J. Cloninger.

May 8, 1887

Lary A. Moser (age 13) and Susan Elmira Cloninger by J. Cloninger.

October 8, 1887

Ann Clemmer and Mary J. Moser by J. B. Rodgers.

May 5, 1889

John Shields, John W. Summitt, Virda L. Summitt, and Harry Airhart by J. H. Summitt.

November 6, 1890

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REV. GAITHER SUMMITT JR.

DALLAS — Rev. Gaither Summitt Jr., 77, of 418 East Trade St., died Jan. 22, 2003, at his residence. He was born Feb. 15, 1925, in Gaston County, son of the late Lawson Gaither Summitt Sr. and Katie Alice Williams Summitt.

FUNERAL: 2 p.m. Saturday, Emmanuel Free Will Baptist Church, Dallas

BURIAL: Olney Presbyterian Church Cemetery, Gastonia

VISITATION: 6-9 tonight at the church He was a retired minister of Emmanuel Free Will Baptist Church but was serving as Pastor Emeritus, retired from Firestone Mill as a mail carrier, a graduate of Piedmont Bible Institute and member of the Dallas Ministerial Association.

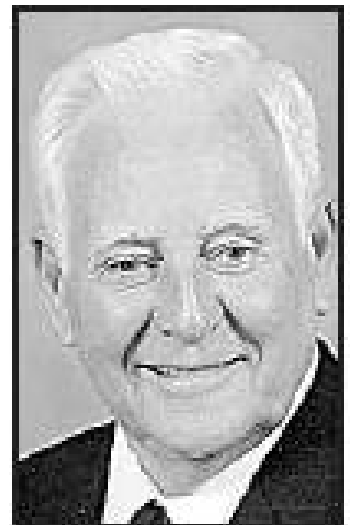
SURVIVORS: Wife, Betty Uesry Summitt, of the home; sons and daughters-in-law, Charles and Rachel Summitt, of Dallas, N.C., Randy and Betty Summitt, of Gastonia; daughter and son-in-law, Toni and Grady Long, of Dallas, N.C.; sisters, Mary Wilson and Dorothy Davis, of Gastonia; six grandchildren, Rhonda Bencivengo, July Hedgepath, Tammy Davis, Tom Summitt, Misty Taylor, Brent Summitt; six great-grandchildren, Jessica Owensby, Sara Bencivengo, Leah Hedgepath, Leslie Hedgepath, Allison Davis, Gerry Davis; one great-great-grandchild, Jessalyn Owensby.

PRECEDED IN DEATH BY: Eight brothers, Lee, Mack, Henry, Harvey, Willard, Dewey, Hubert and Wade Summitt.

PALLBEARERS: Randy Herring, Tommy Pannell, Dale Summitt, Tom Summitt, Greg Taylor, Sam Williams

HONORARY PALLBEARERS: Men's Sunday School class and Ministers of the Gospel

OFFICIATING CLERGY: Rev. Sherman Branch,



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Descendants of Henry Alfred Cloninger

Generation No. 1

1. Henry Alfred¹ Cloninger was born July 11, 1884 in Claremont, NC, and died August 05, 1932 in Statesville, NC. He married **Julia Estelle Busbee** April 20, 1907 in Wagener, SC, daughter of James Busbee and Harriet Tyler. She was born August 09, 1887 in Wagener, SC, and died April 13, 1976 in Statesville, NC.

Children of Henry Cloninger and Julia Busbee are:

- + 2 i. Quentin Kermit "Kermit"² Cloninger, born December 17, 1908; died May 03, 1990 in Catawba Memorial Hospital, Hickory, NC.
- + 3 ii. Rachel Ellamae Cloninger, born November 22, 1912 in Claremont, NC.
- + 4 iii. Henry Carlisle Cloninger, born April 20, 1918 in Claremont, NC.
- + 5 iv. James Farrell Cloninger, born December 26, 1919 in Claremont, NC; died March 09, 1984 in Hickory, NC.
- + 6 v. Mary Olivia Cloninger, born September 24, 1923 in Claremont, NC.

Generation No. 2

2. Quentin Kermit "Kermit"² Cloninger (Henry Alfred¹) was born December 17, 1908, and died May 03, 1990 in Catawba Memorial Hospital, Hickory, NC. He married **(1) Grace Dexter Shatley** August 12, 1931 in Galax, VA, daughter of Charles Shatley and Laura Rhodes. She was born March 11, 1908 in Wilkes County, NC, and died November 10, 1981 in Hickory, NC. He married **(2) Arizona Jones** October 19, 1982. She was born February 18, 1904 in Tennessee, and died Aft. 1997 in Nashville, Tennessee.

Children of Quentin Cloninger and Grace Shatley are:

- + 7 i. Patricia Ann³ Cloninger, born November 10, 1933 in N. Wilkesboro, NC.
- + 8 ii. Kermit Shatley Cloninger, born October 01, 1937 in N. Wilkesboro, NC.

3. Rachel Ellamae² Cloninger (Henry Alfred¹) was born November 22, 1912 in Claremont, NC. She married **(1) Clyde Alexander Frazier** August 10, 1940 in Spartanburg County, SC. He was born July 19, 1907 in Claremont, NC, and died June 07, 1982 in Hickory, NC. She married **(2) Oliver David "Cap"**

Smith January 15, 1995 in Bride's home, Claremont, NC. He was born October 21, 1905, and died November 05, 2001 in NC Lutheran Home, Hickory, NC.

Child of Rachel Cloninger and Clyde Frazier is:

- 9 i. None³.

4. Henry Carlisle² Cloninger (Henry Alfred¹) was born April 20, 1918 in Claremont, NC. He married **Daisy Doris Rippy** April 10, 1942 in Spartanburg, SC, daughter of Eula Rippy and Victoria Byars. She was born November 07, 1919 in Blacksburg, SC.

Children of Henry Cloninger and Daisy Rippy are:

- + 10 i. Barbara Jeanne³ Cloninger, born February 10, 1944 in Cherokee Memorial Hospital, Gaffney, SC.
- + 11 ii. Henry Carlisle Cloninger, Jr., born January 26, 1948 in Catawba General Hospital, Newton, NC.

5. James Farrell² Cloninger (Henry Alfred¹) was born December 26, 1919 in Claremont, NC, and died March 09, 1984 in Hickory, NC. He married **Geraldine "Gee" Larmon** December 26, 1950 in Bethany Baptist Church, Alvaton, KY, daughter of Frank Larmon and Alva Myers. She was born June 23, 1921 in Alvaton (Warren), KY, and died April 18, 1996 in Hickory, NC.

Child of James Cloninger and Geraldine Larmon is:

- + 12 i. Gerry Lynn³ Cloninger, born February 23, 1953 in New York, NY.

6. Mary Olivia² Cloninger (Henry Alfred¹) was born September 24, 1923 in Claremont, NC. She married **James Russell "Russell" Boggs** December 27, 1943 in Claremont, NC, son of Fitzhugh Boggs and Verdie Loftin. He was born November 18, 1923 in Claremont, NC.

Children of Mary Cloninger and James Boggs are:

- + 13 i. Olivian Russell³ Boggs, born January 12, 1946 in Columbia, SC.
- + 14 ii. Terry Kristan Boggs, born November 16, 1947 in Asheboro, NC.

Generation No. 3

7. Patricia Ann³ Cloninger (Quentin Kermit "Kermit"², Henry Alfred¹) was born November 10, 1933 in N. Wilkesboro, NC. She married **Franklin Boone**

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Clarke June 29, 1952 in St. Mark's Lutheran Church, Claremont, NC, son of Robert Clarke and Florence Fox. He was born May 03, 1927 in Burke County, NC.

Children of Patricia Cloninger and Franklin Clarke are:

- 15 i. Donna Lee⁴ Clarke, born September 03, 1954. She married (1) William David Duncan December 27, 1975 in Conover, NC; born October 12, 1952. She married (2) Steve Barringer 1992.
- 16 ii. Teresa Ann "TC" Clarke, born September 19, 1956. She married (1) Mr. Rodney Frey Aft. 1970. She married (2) Ross Bazzle April 11, 1992 in Easley, SC.
- 17 iii. Mary Elizabeth Clarke, born August 31, 1957 in Newton, NC. She married John Paul Harrell May 27, 1981; born September 03, 1954 in Morristown, TN.

8. Kermit Shatley³ Cloninger (Quentin Kermit "Kermit"², Henry Alfred¹) was born October 01, 1937 in N. Wilkesboro, NC. He married **Christine Leatherman** August 12, 1962 in Newton, NC, daughter of Russell Leatherman and Della Jarrett. She was born October 12, 1938 in Newton, NC.

Children of Kermit Cloninger and Christine Leatherman are:

- 18 i. Christy Lynn⁴ Cloninger, born April 19, 1965. She married Kemp Sigmon.
- 19 ii. David Kermit Cloninger, born October 15, 1967. He married Wendy Adele Hoke November 20, 1994 in Mt. Zion Lutheran Church, Conover, NC.

10. Barbara Jeanne³ Cloninger (Henry Carlisle², Henry Alfred¹) was born February 10, 1944 in Cherokee Memorial Hospital, Gaffney, SC. She married **Joseph Curtis "Curt" Pounders, Jr.** May 29, 1965 in her parents home near Grover (Cherokee County, SC)(Now Divorced), son of Joseph Pounders and Jeanette Spake. He was born May 17, 1943 in Shelby, NC.

Child of Barbara Cloninger and Joseph Pounders is:

- 20 i. Gregory "Greg" Curtis⁴ Pounders, born October 16, 1969 in Providence Hospital, Washington, DC. He married Sharon Renee Honeycutt June 13, 1992 in Bethel Baptist Church, Shelby, NC; born May 12, 1972 in Rutherfordton Hospital, Rutherfordton, NC.

11. Henry Carlisle³ Cloninger, Jr. (Henry Carlisle², Henry Alfred¹) was born January 26, 1948 in Catawba General Hospital, Newton, NC.

Child of Henry Carlisle Cloninger, Jr. is:

- 21 i. None⁴.

12. Gerry Lynn³ Cloninger (James Farrell², Henry Alfred¹) was born February 23, 1953 in New York, NY. She married (1) **Perry Joseph "Joe" Kerr, Jr.** August 11, 1974 in Hickory, NC, son of Perry Kerr and JoAnn. He was born April 06, 1952 in Salisbury, NC. She married (2) **William Robert "Bobby" Estes Abt.** 1985.

Children of Gerry Cloninger and Perry Kerr are:

- 22 i. Kari Diana⁴ Kerr, born June 24, 1977. She married Jonathan "Jon" Campbell Lindeman October 09, 1999 in Fairview Baptist Church, Statesville, NC.
- 23 ii. Travis Wyckliffe Kerr, born June 24, 1980. He married Katrina Marie Neitzel December 29, 2002 in Fairview Baptist Church, Statesville, NC.

13. Olivian Russell³ Boggs (Mary Olivia² Cloninger, Henry Alfred¹) was born January 12, 1946 in Columbia, SC. She married **James Alexander Boon** June 16, 1968 in Bruton Parish Church, Williamsburg, VA, son of Frank Boon and Lucinda Rutledge. He was born May 16, 1946 in Sarasota, FL.

Children of Olivian Boggs and James Boon are:

- 24 i. Catherine Olivia "Tili"⁴ Boon, born May 05, 1971 in Georgetown Hospital, Washington, DC. She married Lionel Yves Paul Cuille July 15, 2000 in Trinity Episcopal Church, Princeton, NJ; born in France.
- 25 ii. Jessica Alexis Boon, born June 13, 1976 in Durham, NC.

14. Terry Kristan³ Boggs (Mary Olivia² Cloninger, Henry Alfred¹) was born November 16, 1947 in Asheboro, NC. He married **Marcia Lou Van Gundy** August 24, 1968 in First Methodist Church, Emporia, KS, daughter of Wayne Van Gundy and Emma Rains. She was born March 10, 1947 in Emporia, KS.

Children of Terry Boggs and Marcia Van Gundy are:

- 26 i. Kristan "Kris" Vangundy⁴ Boggs, born November 18, 1972 in Chicago, IL. He married Jeanine Cress November 24, 2001 in

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Fort Worth, TX.
27 ii. Ashley Olivia Boggs, born August 30, 1975 in Salinas, KS.

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Elizabeth Ann Pressley by W. G. Wolford

May 5, 1895

James Oscar Summitt, Lafayette Summitt, and Effie Moser by W. G. Wolford.

August 4, 1895

Oliver Cromwell Phillips, Phillip Edgar Summitt (age 2), and Minnie E. Summitt, by J. C. Barb.

May 2, 1901

Walker Airheart by J. C. Miller

Baptisms and ages of infants

Luther Earnest Davis, born Dec. 3, 1875, baptized April 22, 1876 by J. Cloninger, parents W.H. and Margaret Davis.

James Walker Airheart, Feb. 28, 1876, baptized June 11, 1876 by J. Cloninger, parents Sarah Airheart.

Daries Eusebius Summitt, son of Daries and E. Summit, born Aug. 1876, baptized Oct. 7, 1876 by J. Cloninger.

Philip Edgar Summitt, born Sept. 30, 1876, baptized Dec 31, 1876 by J. Cloninger, parents John S. and Mary Summitt.

William Nathan Samples, son of Wm. H. and Sarah Samples, born Feb. 10, 1876, baptized Feb 11, 1876 by J. Cloninger.

Effie Irenne Moser, born Mar, 7, 1877, baptized May 12, 1877 by J. Cloninger, parents W. H. and Esseneth Moser.

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Attendant: Physician

Mode of Burial: Burial in state

State of Birth: North Carolina

Social Security Number: 241146661

Fathers Surname: SUMMITT

Place of Injury:

More About CLEMMIE COLUMBUS SUMMITT:

Buried:: North Carolina

Last Residence:: 28087 (Kings Mountain, Cleveland County, North Carolina)

Social Security:: 241-14-6661

State of Issue:: Bef. 1951, North Carolina

Notes for MARY CAUSBY:

Charlotte Observer

Charlotte, NC

January 1, 1998

KINGS MOUNTAIN - Mary Causby Summitt, 91, resident of White Oak Manor, died Dec. 31, 1997 at White Oak Manor.

Funeral is 11 a.m. Friday at Ollie Harris Memorial Chapel, with Rev. Mitchell Pruitt officiating. Interment will be in Wallace Grove Baptist Church Cemetery, Shelby, NC. Visitation is 9:30-10:30 p.m. Friday prior to the service at Harris Funeral Home.

A native of Burke County, NC, Mrs. Summitt was the daughter of the late William Riley and Julie Elizabeth Lowdermilk Causby. In addition to her parents she was also preceded in death by her husband, C.C. Summitt. She was a homemaker and a member of the Chestnut Ridge Baptist Church in Kings Mountain, NC.

Survivors include her sons, J.L. Summitt of Kings Mountain and W.C. Summitt of Lancaster; foster sons, Bruce Green of Charlotte, NC, Richard Whetstine of Kings Mountain, and Buford Summitt of Kings Mountain; brother, Joe Tommy Causby of Morganton, NC; sister, Louise Causby Avery of Morganton, NC; 13 grandchildren, 26 great-grandchildren, and 5 great-great-grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to the Mauney Memorial Library Children's Wing, 100 S. Piedmont Ave., Kings Mountain, NC 28086.

Arrangements by Harris Funeral Home of Kings Mountain, NC.

More About MARY CAUSBY:

Burial: Wallace Grove Baptist Cmty

Children of CLEMMIE SUMMITT and MARY CAUSBY are:

- i. BRUCE⁷ GREEN .
Notes for BRUCE GREEN:
Foster son
 - ii. BUFORD SUMMITT .
 - iii. J. L. SUMMITT.
- 2.

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- iv. W.C. SUMMITT
- v. RICHARD WHETSTINE .
Notes for RICHARD WHETSTINE:
foster son
- 3. vi. WILHELMINA ELIZABETH SUMMITT, b. October 18, 1932, Cleveland County, North Carolina; d. March 25, 1993, Kings Mountain, Cleveland County, North Carolina.
- 4. vii. L.G. SUMMITT, b. September 24, 1942; d. August 01, 1996, Catawba Memorial Hospital, Hickory, Catawba County, North Carolina.

Generation No. 2

2. J. L.⁷ SUMMITT (*CLEMMIE COLUMBUS⁶, WILLIAM PINKNEY⁵ SUMMIT, DANIEL F⁴, UNKNOWN MALE³, JOHANNES FRANTZ² SAMMET, JACOB¹*).

Children of J. L. SUMMITT are:

- i. JUDY⁸ SUMMIT .
- ii. JUDY SUMMIT .

Children of J. L. SUMMITT are:

- iii. JUDY⁸ SUMMITT .
- iv. JUDY SUMMITT .

3. WILHELMINA ELIZABETH⁷ SUMMITT (*CLEMMIE COLUMBUS⁶, WILLIAM PINKNEY⁵ SUMMIT, DANIEL F⁴, UNKNOWN MALE³, JOHANNES FRANTZ² SAMMET, JACOB¹*) was born October 18, 1932 in Cleveland County, North Carolina, and died March 25, 1993 in Kings Mountain, Cleveland County, North Carolina . She married ARTHUR SPROUSE . He was born Abt. 1933.

Notes for WILHELMINA ELIZABETH SUMMITT:

KINGS MOUNTAIN - Mrs. Wilhelmina Elizabeth Sprouse,

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Christmas 2001—Cardwell, Missouri

(left to right) Paul Moody Summitt, Chester Moody Summitt, Bruce Allen Summitt

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Mary Josephine Davis, born July 1, 1877, baptized Aug. 12, 1877 by J. Cloninger, sponsors Peter and Nancy Summitt.

Nancy Arlie Summet, born Nov. 5, 1877, baptized Aug. 12, 1877 by J. Cloninger, sponsors Peter and Nancy Summitt.

Auther Alexander Moser, born Sept 7, 1877, baptized Jan. 14, 1878 by J. Cloninger, sponsors Francis and Catharine Moser.

B. H. Moser, born Jan. 6, 1878, baptized April 14, 1878 by J. Cloninger, parents D. M. and Elizabeth Moser.

Robert H. Sheets, born June 18, 1877, baptized July 28, 1878 by J. Cloninger, parents Henry and Mary Sheets.

Willy Lafayette Summit, born June 10, 1878, baptized July 28, 1878 by J. Cloninger, parents M.L. and Cladona Summitt.

Lilla Bell Cook, born Nov. 25, 1878, baptized Jan 12, 1879 by J. Cloninger, parents Henry and Susannah Cook.

Arra Bell Lones, born Dec. 27, 1878, baptized May 11, 1879 by J. Cloninger, Henry W. and Susannah Lones.

Nancy Eugenie Summit, born Mar. 14, 1879, baptized May 25, 1879 by J. Cloninger, parents J. S. and Mary

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60, of 101 Wren Ln. died March 25, 1993, at Kings Mountain Hospital. Funeral is 3 p.m. today at Chestnut Ridge Baptist Church, where she was a member. The Rev. Mitchell Pruitt will officiate. Burial is in the church cemetery. Harris Funeral Home is in charge.

Mrs. Sprouse, a homemaker, was born in Cleveland County, daughter of the late Clemmie Summitt.

Survivors are her husband, Arthur Sprouse; daughters, Mrs. Debbie Mauney, Mrs. Shirley Wells; mother, Mrs. Mary Causby Summitt; brothers, W.C. Summitt of Summitsville of Townsville, S.C., J.L. Summitt, L.G. Summitt; four grandchildren. Memorials may be made to Chestnut Ridge Baptist Church, Chestnut Ridge Road, Kings Mountain, N.C. 28086, or to Hospice of Cleveland County, 201 W. Marion St., Shelby., N.C. 28150.

WILHELMINA SPROUSE
18 Oct 1932 25 Mar 1993
28086 (Kings Mountain,
Cleveland, NC) (No Location
Given) 244-44-9429 North
Carolina (Before 1951)

Name: SPROUSE,
WILHELMINA
ELIZABETH
Date of Birth: October 18,
1932
Death Date: March 25, 1993
Sex: Female
Race: White
Age: 60 Years
Place of Occurance: Kings
Mountain (P), Cleveland,
North Carolina
Place of Residence: .
Cleveland, North Carolina
Autopsy: No
Hospital: General Hospital
50-99 Beds

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Summit.

Betty Lee Moser, born June 26, 1879, baptized Nov. 23, 1879 by J. Cloninger, parents W. Henry and Senith Moser.

Laura Hester Florence Samples, born Oct. 14, 1879, baptized Nov. 23, 1879 by J. Cloninger, parents Wm. H. and Sarah Samples.

Jacob Luther Moser, born Jan 18, 1880, baptized May 8, 1880 by J. Cloninger, parents W. H. and F. A. Moser.

Elverdan Lee Clemmer, born June 5, 1880, baptized Oct. 3, 1880 by J. Cloninger, parents J. F. and Cassettine Clemmer.

Hugh A. Isbel, born May 24 1871, baptized Oct. 3, 1880 by J. Cloninger, sponsors Joseph and Margaret Shields.

Mary Alles Isbel, born Aug. 14, 1880, baptized Oct 3, 1880 by J. Cloninger, sponsors Joseph and Margaret Shields.

Martha Adella Isbell, born Aug 14, 1880, baptized Oct. 3, 1880 by J. Cloninger, sponsor N.E. Isbell.

Mary Tennessee Summit, born June 6, 1880, baptized Oct. 3, 1880 by J. Cloninger, sponsors M. L. and Caldona Summit.

George E. Davis, born Nov. 1, 1880, baptized July 10, 1881 by J. Cloninger, parents N.C. and M.H. Davis.

Albert Davis, born Nov 1, 1880, baptized July 10, 1881 by J. Cloninger, parents N.C. and M.H. Davis.

James F. Moser, born Jan 22, 1882, baptized April 1, 1882 by J. Cloninger, parents W.H. and Adline Moser

Jesie Isabelle Clemmer, born June 9, 1882, baptized Aug. 13, 1882 by J. Cloninger, parents J.F. and Haustine Clemmer.

Daries E. Summit, born July 28, 1882, baptized Oct. 8, 1882 by J. Cloninger, parents M.L. and Caldonia Summit

William Griss Lones, born August 10, 1883, baptized Dec. 23, 1883 by J. Cloninger, Son of Henry Lones and wife.

Catherine Branna, born Jan 23, 1883, baptized June 29, 1884 by J.H. Summitt, Anna Brannan.

Charlie Wayne Clemmer, born 1865, baptized Dec. 28, 1885. Parents John F. and ? Clemmer.

Francis Bales Clemmer, born Sept. 28, 1886, baptized April 24, 1887 by J. Cloninger, parents J.F. and Hasttino Clemmer.

William Harris Brakebill, born Oct. 24, 1880, baptized April 24, 1887 by J. Cloninger, parent John Brakebill.

Ida Ethel Moody, born Nov. 23, 1889, baptized March 7,

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(Editor's Note: The following was published in the Montgomery County News in Mount Ida, Arkansas, 17 January, 1963 and submitted by Glen Summitt.)

"THE LIGHT OF DAY IS DIM"

by

Mrs. Mary D. McDonald
920 NW 95th Street
Oklahoma City, OK

There has been a lot of water passed down the old Ouachita River since September 28th, 1879, at which date I first saw the light of a beautiful world. I was the first daughter and the third child born to William G. and Nancy Elizabeth Brewer Gibbs, in a little log house on the north side of the Ouachita River, eight miles north of Mt. Ida, Arkansas.

I have lived in hopes that Uncle Lige, or someone else would come out with a story in the Montgomery County News, of the early day life of the original pioneer settlers and family life of those noble people who, with their bare hands, a trust in the all might God, their love for each other, welded and put together a community and way of life as independent and free from the outside world as it was possible for mankind to do, but for lack of proper record it has been passed up.

This community, to which I refer was known as the Rocky community, and was about as isolated from the outside world as any place could possibly be, and its seclusion seemed to be the attraction of those noble civil war veterans who had seen their families and their homes in the Eastern States ravished and destroyed, by the scourge of war and wished to get away from it all. They were veterans of both North and South, yet that seemed to have little effect in their relations with each other. There was however, something in common with all those who cast their lot to build a home and raise a family in such an out of way place and that was that they were all of Protestant faith, and of Caucasian nationality extraction and of course, without money, this was their stock in trade and it seemed to work as we shall see.

The custom in establishing a home was to select a suitable site near a spring on Government land, cut and assemble logs with borrowed oxen, and then invite all the neighbors to a house-raising. The men would bring their axes, saws and broad-axes, the women with their pots, pans, and food, and before the sun went down there would be a complete house, with a splendid dinner thrown in. It was a struggle for the first year, of course, as land had to be cleared and oxen obtained to till the soil as well as the other things which went to making a home but he had good neighbors who were ever ready to lend a helping hand. So how could a fellow fail with such a good set up? This was Social Security in its original form.

So it was in this manner that homes were established, children were born, and society established, churches were organized and meetings held under brush arbors. Then there must be schools, which were first instituted on a subscription basis, i.e., each family could subscribe to send at least a part of the oldest children. Teachers were selected for a term of two or three months during the summer and paid with bacon, hams, molasses, corn, and the like. It was during the year of 1885, I think, that this community came under the Free School Act so the Dads of the country threw in and built a small cabin-like house for the Free School which was a three-month session during the summer months. Teachers were paid (\$30.00) per month, who in turn roomed and boarded with one of the community families at six dollars per month. Hospitals and undertakers were unknown, and doctors with only a smattering of the art of modern medical knowledge were few and far between.

Childbirth was one of the major problems, but with the splendid knowledge of a number of the elder women this was also taken care of and in good shape, with out a cost. This was a 'Duty' and they seldom lost a baby. The death rate of the community was very low, because the people were all young. My grandmother, Mrs. Leonard Danley, was the first to be buried in the Rocky Cemetery, sometime during the year 1878. Coffins were shaped and fashioned by the community men. They were then lined with cotton padding and lined with white satin and covered on the outside with black satin. They were nice coffins.

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Misdemeanor or felony was unknown among those who established this part of the land of Arkansas. There were many years elapsed before a sheriff had occasion to visit that community on official business. The people were thoroughly self-supporting in nearly every detail; even to the making of the cloth that went into their wearing apparel, and the parents often made the children's shoes. Hot Springs was the nearest Railroad market and the people had little occasion to go there except in the autumn to sell their cotton, animal hides, and tobacco. I had been to Hot Springs only twice before the year 1900, and once to Mena in that year. We younger people were not without our fun, as we began to get grown-up. We had our dances and candy breaking's during the winter at the homes of the various neighbors, and the picnics in the various communities during the summer. By that time, most families had good wagons and teams of good-spirited horses with an occasional buggy or surrey, which enable us to extend our acquaintance into other communities.

Scandals, illegitimate babies and divorces were unknown among them, because the environment was good and the Home-teaching was properly administered; and besides to indulge in any kind of underworld practices would forever ostracize one, boy or girl, from the rest of the world.

Yes, we had our fun, and funny things happened. We used the McGuffey readers in school. So it was that one and Blue-back Spellers in day, when our class was reciting, each had to stand and read certain stanzas from the reader, when one of my friends who was very droll (and drawled out her words in long syllabic tones) came to the word interminable, and pronounced it: "Enter-my-nable". This she could hardly live down, and I never could forget it.

Timepieces were scarce in the earlier days, and many had sundial markings set up on porches. That was markings at certain minutes and hours of the day on the various days of the year. They did this using transit levels that the surveyors use in measuring land and running lines.

My friend, Judy, was sitting out on her Grandpa's log porch one day in the old rocking chair when a stranger passing by stopped his 'nag; and said to Judy who was about 17, "Young Lady, can you tell me what time it is?" Judy got up and went to the edge of the porch, looked carefully for a moment, then turned to the stranger and said: "Mr., it just lacks two puncheons being twelve."

We children were taught to address our elder neighbors with the familiar "Uncle" and "Aunt" instead of Mr. And Mrs. I shall refer to them in just that manner.

Rocky Community covered an area about six miles in length and about four miles in width. The main road was curved around Uncle Berry Gibbs place, which was on the main road about one-half mile west of the school. He was blinded in the Civil War, and drew a sizeable pension. He was a good businessman and his blindness seemed to make little difference in his business activity. Of course, he had to depend on his sons-in-law to do the physical work, but he did the thinking and did a splendid job of it. He established a sawmill, a gristmill for both corn meal and for flour. He had a cotton gin, and a blacksmith shop as well as a store with limited stock of merchandise. He soon became a sort of a Banker. He helped many out of financial difficulties, and everyone liked and respected him. He was a veteran of the Union Army and on the Fourth of July would have a dancing platform built, set the women folk to preparing huge copper kettles on outside furnaces preparing food and invite all the whole community to a big two-day celebration. There was some liquor mixed into it, but he did not approve of it. But, he appointed certain ones to see that everything went off proper, and seldom did anyone get out of line. By the time all this took place his family, as well as most of other families, were getting grown and several of his were married and had their own families. His immediate family consisted of and was made up as follows:

Uncle Berry and Aunt Sarah

The children: Luany, Martha, Green, Roland, Sally, Talitha.

Of the other families in the community of the originals were Uncle Elijah, and Aunt Martha McDonald: Children Oscar, James, and Frank

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Uncle Jake Lacky and Aunt Nancy Jane:
The children: Harvey, Concie, Ruey, Bob, Zeldie, Mollie, Porter and Bell

Daddy Billie Gibbs and Mother Nancy Elizabeth
The children: Harvey, George (Dutch) Mary, Ison, Jacob, Sallie Bell, and Hezekiah.

Uncle Wade Tucker and Aunt Rip:
The children: Robert, Jim, Luther, Minnie, Oscar, Marvin, Virgie, Neeley, and Bunny.

Uncle Monroe Tucker and Aunt Bell:
The children: Hattie, Walter, Willie, Mentie, Alford, Mollie, Eliza, Claud, and Betha.

Uncle Doc Crowell and Aunt Dorah,
The children: Mollie, Jossie, Ona, Reed, Lulla, Ola, Lonnie, and Dorah.

Uncle Dan Summit and Aunt Mattie:
The children: Lulla, Mahaley, Henry, Willie, Walter, Mollie, Jessie and Grover

Uncle Ballard Summit and Aunt Ruth:
The children: Ada, Grank, Oscar, Daniel, Ollie, Savanna, Bryant and Steeley (twins).

Uncle Joseph Summitt and Aunt Rossie:
The children: Thomas, John, Jeff, Anna, Fred, Edwin, Hattie and Hatty

Uncle Den Carter and Aunt Tenny:
The children: Mollie, Bill, Jim, John, Lee, Rean Ann, Mattie Bell, Berry, Burt, Luck and Otto.

Uncle Bill Dillard and Aunt Marth:
The children: Elizabeth, Angedyn, Nettie, Lon, Fayette, Alice and Roland

Uncle George Fulton and Aunt Arkadelphia;
The children: Jeff, Jim, Roy, Julia, Ada and George

Uncle Noble Tedford and Aunt Mary:
The children: Amanda, Dovie, Sam, Lucy, George Davis, Millie, Ada.

Uncle Dave Plyler and Aunt Fannie:
The children: Lillie, Luther, Blake, Sam.

Uncle William West and Aunt Lulla:
The children: Granville, Guilford, Margie, Graden, Nezzie, and Thurman.

Aunt Sally:
The children: Ada, Bobbie, Frank, Donna, Ida, Lexter, George Virgil, Mon.

Uncle Jim McKinney

Uncle William Warren and Aunt Mollie:
The children: Thomas, Weslie, Ira, Jemima, Martha, and William Townsen (step-son).

Uncle Bonnar Maddox and Aunt Elliza:
The children; William, Jessie, John, Wash, Dimps, Martha, Lee, Malt and Ollie.

Uncle Wash Maddox and Aunt Mary:

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The children: Hattie, Donna, Betty, Bryce, Fannie, Jennie and Jonnah.

Uncle Sude Barber and Aunt Dollie:

The children: Ran, Docie, Ransom, Newton, Weslie, Dessie

Uncle Hiram West and Aunt Dott:

The children: Ransom, Sally, Marylou, and Lemmie.

Uncle Bret Beggs and Aunt Ella:

The children: Richard, John, Riley, Savanna, Jess R. and Mary.

This is not intended to be a genealogical record of these noble people who added so much to populating the earth, but since we are now into the fifth generation from those brave souls who settled in the Rocky Community during the sixties and seventies, with nothing but their bare hands to work with and who asked no odds but looked up to the blue-sky and down to the glad Earth, and with a prayer in their hearts, and brought forth a people, endowed in a spirit second to none. These are the ones I hope will be able to read this humble account of their beginning."

Presented by Jerry McDonald, grandson of Mary Desmoines Gibbs McDonald)

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1890 by W.G. Wolford, parent
Maranda T. Moody.

George Fox Clemmer, born April 16,
1890, baptized July 13, 1890 by W. G.
Wolford, parents John Fox and
Hassetine Clemmer.

Tobitha Isabell Shaffer, born Feb. 5,
1890, baptized July 13, 1890, parents
Anderson and Josephine Shaffer.

Vergia May Summitt, born Nov. 26,
1889, baptized July 12, 1890 by W. G.
Wolford, parents John S. and Mary
Summitt.

William ALonza Fine, born June 7, 1890,
baptized Aug. 4, 1890, parents H.A.
and N.C. Fine.

Fred Lee Roberson, born June 1889
baptized March 13, 1891

Floyd Dotson Roberson, born May 14,
1890, baptized March 13, 1891.

Hettie Edna Maude Brakebill was
baptized by J.C. Barb on August 4,
1895.

Myrtle Emeline Shaffer was baptized by
J.C. Barb on August 4, 1895.

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Rev. Gary Weant, Rev. Bob Hedgepath
MEMORIALS: Emmanuel Free Will Baptist
Church, P.O. Box 453, Dallas, NC 28034; or to
Hospice of Gaston County, P.O. Box 3984,
Gastonia, NC 28054

ARRANGEMENTS: Greene Funeral Service,
South Chapel, Gastonia

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Marital Status: Married

Attendant: Physician

Mode of Burial: Burial in state

State of Birth: North Carolina

Social Security Number: 244449429

Fathers Surname: SUMMITT

Place of Injury:

More About WILHELMINA ELIZABETH SUMMITT:

Burial: Chester Ridge Baptist Cmty

Buried:: North Carolina

Social Security:: 244-44-9429

Children of WILHELMINA SUMMITT and ARTHUR SPROUSE
are:

- i. DEBBIE⁸ SPROUSE , m. (1) MAUNEY ; m. (2)
UNKNOWN MAUNEY .
- ii. SHIRLEY SPROUSE , m. (1) WELLS ; m. (2)
UNKNOWN WELLS .

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Wilhemmina , W C, L G Summitt
children of Clemmie and Mary



Dessie Bright Summitt Cunningham
and Joe

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4. L.G.⁷ SUMMITT (*CLEMMIE COLUMBUS⁶, WILLIAM PINKNEY⁵ SUMMIT, DANIEL F⁴, UNKNOWN MALE³, JOHANNES FRANTZ² SAMMET, JACOB¹*) was born September 24, 1942 , and died August 01, 1996 in Catawba Memorial Hospital, Hickory, Catawba County, North Carolina . He married (1) UNKNOWN. He married (2) UNKNOWN.

Notes for L.G. SUMMITT:

KINGS MOUNTAIN - Mr. L.G. Summitt, 53, died August 1, 1996, at Catawba Memorial Hospital, Hickory. Funeral is 2:00 p.m. Saturday at David Baptist Church. Burial is at Wallace Grove Baptist Church, Shelby, with Rev. Claude McIntosh officiating. Visitation is 7:00-9:00 p.m. Saturday at Harris Funeral Home. He was son of the late C.C. Summitt; preceded in death by sister Wilhelmina Sprouse. He was a member of Fairview Masonic Lodge and worked at Pine Hall Brick in Grover. Survivors include mother, Mary Causby Summitt; daughter, Robyn S. Jarrett, Newton; son, Joel Summitt; brothers, J.L. Summitt, Richard Whetstine both of Kings Mountain, W.C. Summitt of Kenshaw, Bruce Greene of Charlotte; grandchildren, T.J. Summitt, Hunter Summitt, Nikkie Summitt, Taner Jarrett and Tyler Jarrett. Memorials may be made to Hospice of Catawba County, Hickory, NC

Name: SUMMITT,
Date of Birth: September 24, 1942
Death Date: August 01, 1996
Sex: Male
Race: White
Age: 53 Years
Place of Occurance: Hickory (P), Catawba, North Carolina
Place of Residence: . Cleveland, North Carolina

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Autopsy: No
 Hospital: General Hospital 100 Beds & Over
 Marital Status: Divorced
 Attendant: Physician
 Mode of Burial: Burial in state
 State of Birth: North Carolina
 Social Security Number: 237646802
 Fathers Surname: SUMMITT
 Place of Injury:

L SUMMITT 24 Sep 1942 1 Aug 1996 28086 (Kings Mountain, Cleveland, NC) (No Location Given) 237-64-6802 North Carolina (1959)

More About L.G. SUMMITT:

Burial: Wallace Grove Baptist Cemetery, Highway NC-18, Shelby, NC
 Last Residence:: 28086 (Kings Mountain, Cleveland County, NC)
 Social Security Number: 237-64-6802
 State of Issue:: 1959, North Carolina

Children of L.G. SUMMITT and UNKNOWN are:

5. i. ROBYN S.⁸ SUMMITT.
6. ii. JOEL SUMMITT.

Generation No. 3

5. ROBYN S.⁸ SUMMITT (*L.G.⁷, CLEMMIE COLUMBUS⁶, WILLIAM PINKNEY⁵ SUMMIT, DANIEL F⁴, UNKNOWN MALE³, JOHANNES FRANTZ² SAMMET, JACOB¹*). She married UNKNOWN JARRETT .

Children of ROBYN SUMMITT and UNKNOWN JARRETT are:

- i. TANER⁹ JARRETT.
- ii. TYLER JARRETT.

6. JOEL⁸ SUMMITT (*L.G.⁷, CLEMMIE COLUMBUS⁶, WILLIAM PINKNEY⁵ SUMMIT, DANIEL F⁴, UNKNOWN MALE³, JOHANNES FRANTZ² SAMMET, JACOB¹*). He married (1) UNKNOWN. He married (2) UNKNOWN

Children of JOEL SUMMITT and UNKNOWN are:

- i. T. J.⁹ SUMMITT .
- ii. HUNTER SUMMITT.
- iii. NIKKIE SUMMITT

(Editor's Notes: Sources for almost all information listed here are :

- (1) GlenScott.FTW, Date of Import: Feb 12, 2000.
- (2) JohnASummitt.FTW, Date of Import: Feb 7, 2000
- and (3) Summitt_Oct2002.GED, Date of Import: Nov 24, 2002.).



Dessie Bright Summitt Cuningham





WILLIAM PINKNEY⁵ SUMMITT (*DANIEL F⁴, UNKNOWN MALE³, JOHANNES FRANTZ² SAMMET, JACOB¹*) was born February 03, 1850 in Lincoln County, North Carolina, and died May 18, 1921 in Cleveland County, North Carolina. He married MARGARET HENSON July 22, 1900 in John J. Martin's, Cleveland County, North Carolina. She was born August 11, 1877, and died March 01, 1943 in Cleveland Co., NC. Notes for WILLIAM PINKNEY SUMMITT: 1920 Cleveland County, North Carolina Census Soundex Index: Volume 19; ED 57; Sheet 8; Line 38

Name	Relation	Age	Birthplace
Pink Summitt	Head	69	North Carolina
Margaret Summitt	Wife	42	North Carolina
Spurgeon Summitt	Son	19	North Carolina

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Clemmie Summitt	Son	15	North Carolina
Lester	Son	13	North Carolina
Thomas Summitt	Son	10	North Carolina
Benjamin Summitt	Son	8	North Carolina
Bright Summitt	Daughter	5	North Carolina

Buffalo Baptist Church, Highway 150 East, Shelby, NC. Buffalo Baptist Church is located on Highway 150 east about three miles out of Shelby going toward Cherryville. Turn right onto the first road past the Buffalo Creek bridge. The road is called old Stubbs Road. The church will be at the top of the hill on the right. I started on the left front of the cemetery and alternated each row left to right and then right to left till I finished. The following gravestone are there:

Summitt, Spurgeon O. ----- Jun 25, 1935 Age of 35

Summitt, Margaret Henson Aug 11, 1877 Mar 01, 1943

Summitt, W. Pickney Feb 03, 1850 Mar 17, 1921

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