

Descendants of Richard II and Jane

# Gladney Gram

## PRESIDENTIAL UPDATE By Larry Ivens

Hello Gladney Cousins,

I do not have a lot of new to report. I feel a bit "out of the loop" since I was not able to attend the reunion in Winnsboro last July. Our vice president, C. Wallace Gladney, stepped up and covered for me, for which I am very grateful.

I am pleased to report that my parents' health has improved and is holding stable. Mother's knee replacement was very successful and she was able to drive a car again last November. Her doctor wants her to be more active so she and dad try to visit the Wellness Center (a health club) about three times a week. I am preparing to move back to Tennessee and trying to sell my house, but the housing market in Michigan, like other places in the country, is not good at this time.

I am very excited about the 2008 reunion

in Memphis. A big thank you goes to Mickey and Lana Johnson, Tim Johnson and other family members for graciously volunteering to host our reunion. Many of you will recall that the last time we planned a reunion in Memphis, Mother Nature was not kind to us. Bad weather prevented us from holding the reunion. I am glad the opportunity to have the reunion in Memphis has presented itself again.

My best wishes to all of you,

Larry R. Ivens, President, GIA

## 2008 REUNION MEMPHIS, TN

The 2008 Gladney reunion will be held in Memphis, TN on July 25-27. Mickey and Lana Johnson along with Tim Johnson and various other Johnson family members have volunteered to host this years

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## REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

I'm a reporter in St. Louis, and I came across your website while researching an article about Andrew Gladney.

I have been able to talk to Andrew's halfbrother, Franklin Gladney, in Illinois, about some of his branch's history (James Francis Graves Gladney). It's the side who founded 7up.

I wanted to ask you, though, about the information you found about Andrew's and Frank's father, Graves, opening up the safe-deposit box and finding a million dollars to pay for estate taxes. Frank was not aware of that story, and I wanted to see where you found the info. It might be a great story to include, but I wanted to be sure of its sourcing.

Also, I had a question or two about Franklin's wife, Nancy Meeks Gladney - are you 100 percent sure of her DOB and her date of death? I cannot find any obituary for her in our local Post-dispatch archives.

If it is easier to talk by phone, I'd be happy to call you at your convenience. Let me know.

Thanks in advance!

All best, Kristen Hinman Staff Writer Riverfront Times 6358 Delmar Blvd. Suite 200 St. Louis, MO 63130 (T): 314-754-6417 (F): 314-754-6416

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Editor's Note: This letter was received by Tim Johnson and forwarded to Bettye Bond and myself. If anyone has any information on her request, please respond to her and copy Bettye and myself. I will print any response in an upcoming issue of the Gladney Gram. We are aware of the story as it is printed on our web site. However, we have no knowledge of where the story originated.



#### HAPPY BIRTHDAY ED

Ed Stevenson (the gentleman who owned the land where the original Gladney Cemetery is located) will celebrate his 92nd Birthday on February 12, 2008

Please make it a priority to send Ed a birthday card to:

Ed Stevenson 8806 Newberry Road Winnsboro, SC 29180

Buddy will read the cards to him as he has very bad eye sight now.

Submitted by Bettye Bond

#### UPDATE FROM TRISH HOLLAND

(Article submitted after the death of her mother, Margaret Ford Gladney—obit on page 6)

Daddy is doing amazingly well - has a good appetite and I'm sure he would be delighted to hear from you and any other Gladney Cousins.

Dr. James Frank Gladney 304 East 3rd Homer, LA 71040 318-927-3294

I presume you know that his older sister Frances Nelson Gladney died Aug 9, 2005 and is also buried at Arlington Cemetery in Homer, LA.

Our current address is 7004 Wheeler Branch Trail, Austin TX 78749 phone 512.892.0680 cell 512.461.6250

Taylor, (female) dob. 5.12.1998 is Kirk's daughter and her Mom is Stephanie Meeks Holland married 8.14.1999
Laurel married to Gregory Dick Freed 3.31.2001
children: Sofia 6.12.2003 and Zachary

3.01.2006

Grace & Hope, Trish Holland (10/20/07)



Happy St. Patrick's Day March 17, 2008

## Cecil Gladney-Carrollton, GA By Cathy Newman

Cecil called me early on Saturday, October 27, 2007. He said that he has sold his home in Carrollton to his niece, Melba Smith. Melba currently lives in Cobb County and her plans for the home are undetermined at this time. She has three grandchildren that love the home and she may decide to keep it for vacations and weekends.

Cecil asked me to let everyone know that his new address is: 1130 Cedar Street Apartment H-4 Carrollton, GA, 30117

He welcomes any correspondence that you may wish to send.

Cecil and I had a good long conversation and he gave me more Gladney family information. His memory continues to amaze me. It's much better than mine!

#### REUNION (Continued from page 1)

festivities. I do not have any information on the hotel or activities yet. But, I sure hope to have some info soon.

We really hope everyone gets to Memphis this year. I was one person who did show up for the cancelled reunion when the storms hit a few years back. All of the attractions were not available due to the storms but, it was a great place to visit anyway. See you there.

#### REMOVAL OF GLADNEY BIBLE

(Correspondence between Bettye Bond and Fairfield Museum et al)
Submitted by Bettye Bond 10/24/2007

I just dug these up to let you all have copies of the final transactions for the Bible. There were many emails and calls before this. I did send emails during this time -- a combo of all was sent to Larry and Wally-but its been a while.

I just want to make sure there is no continued thought of removing the Bibles and placing them in the unsafe environment of the Museum - by giving you all more facts to VOTE NO if it comes up again.

Gladney Love, Bettye

#### My letter-sent 9 Nov 2004 to:

fairfieldmus@chestertel.com, fgr13@msn.com, hiptfarms@aol.com, rehager@aol.com,cocks2001@chesterttel.com, cholland@rvh.richland2.org, williambrowder@hotmail.com:

(Board members of the Historical Society, additional emails to Mayor, city council members and any one else I could find)

I, as President of the Gladney Family Association, thank all persons involved, for their concern and immediate removal of the Gladney Family Bibles from the Fairfield Museum.

The Richard Bible was printed in Scotland in 1775 and is of much Historic Ancestral value to this Gladney Family. I

have been concerned over the care of the

Bibles, particularly the Richard Bible, for several years.

I appreciate the concern and action to remove these Bibles from the Museum to a location that better fits the needs and desires of the Gladney Family Association.

It was never the intent of the Family to "give, donate, or relinquish ownership" of these Bibles - only to share them with the citizens of Fairfield County and any descendant of the Fairfield District/County interested in Genealogy.

The contents within the Bibles are very important proofs for DAR, DAC, UDC, COLONIAL DAMES, and other organizations, therefore they must be protected and in the environment associated with these organizations.

Thank you for your concern and actions, Bettye Hogue Bond President Gladneys in America Family Association since 1997.

#### earlier email:

PRenwick@fairgield.k12.sc.us writes:

Due to the concern expressed over the Gladney Family Bibles, the Fairfield County Historical Society Board voted at its October Board meeting on October 12, 2004 to return the Gladney Family Bibles to the Gladney Family Association.

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The board asks the Gladney Family Association to remove the Bibles from the Fairfield County Museum immediately.

#### Penny Renwick

President, Fairfield County Historical Society;

#### Bettye's reply,

Fairfield County Historical Society, thank you for your concern and action on behalf of our Family Bibles.

My desire, as the President of the Gladney Family Association, is to have the Gladney Bibles placed in the care of Mrs. Robert Malone (Linda), who will place them in the Fairfield Archives and History (including the Daughters of the American Revolution) building for Fairfield County.

It was thought by all Gladneys involved with this project from the very beginning in 1991 that the Bibles would be displayed under glass, for Genealogical purposes, not placed in an area where visiting Gladneys could not have access to them, or be placed in an upper room of the Museum with "dusty materials" and uncovered. It was the desire of the voting Board members that the Bible of Richard Gladney be protected at all times. The Museum has not kept the agreement or contract with this Family.

In the past I have written and emailed to the Museum concerning the care of the Bibles, i.e.: Displaying the Richard Bible with the glass open and unprotected, this Bible printed in Scotland 1775 is very delicate and must be protected. We as a Family Association have always given Fairfield County our support and feel a close bond to the area. Our yearly reunion will be in Winnsboro the last weekend in July 2004 and we invite all involved with research and County matters to join us.

Mrs. Gene T. Bond (Bettye Hogue) President Gladneys In America Family Association since 1997. 717-243-2241 226 Avon Drive Carlisle, PA 17013-4209

P.S. Gladney Board members have been made aware of this problem and have voted to make this change. BETTYE BOND

#### THE JELLY BEAN PRAYER Shirley Kozak—Stuttgart, Germany

Red is for the blood He gave, Green is for the grass He made, Yellow is for the sun so bright, Orange is for the edge of night.

Black is for the sins that were made, White is for the grace He gave, Purple is for the hour of sorrow, Pink is for the new tomorrow.

> A sack full of jelly beans So colorful and sweet; Is a prayer, a promise and A loved one's treat...

Submitted by Bettye Bond

#### FAMILY INFORMATION

#### **DEATHS**

MARGARET FORD GLADNEY - A Service of Witness to the Resurrection giving thanks for the life of Margaret Gray Ford Gladney will be held at 2:00 pm Sunday, September 23, 2007 at the First Presbyterian Church, Homer, LA. Mrs. Gladney died in her home on Friday, September 21. She and her husband Dr. James F. Gladney, Jr., celebrated their 65th wedding anniversary on August 12, 2007.

Margaret Gladney was born January 5, 1918, in Homer, the oldest daughter of Darden and Arabella Gray Ford. After graduating from Homer High School in 1934, she attended Judson College and graduated from Louisiana State University with a degree in Latin and Business in 1938. She did graduate work at The University of Texas in Austin.

Mrs. Gladney was a ruling elder in the Presbyterian Church where she served as choir member, organist, Sunday School teacher, president and Bible study leader of Presbyterian Women many times. In 1990 she was named Woman of the Year by the Women's Department Club. She was a member of the Homer Hospital Guild, the Garden Club, the Homemakers Club, and the Mildred Bevell Music Club.

Dr. and Mrs. Gladney have seven children: Patricia Gladney Holland, Austin, TX; Dr. Margaret Rose Gladney, Fernandino Beach, FL; Cynthia Gladney

Steele, Homer, LA; Dr. John Davidson Gladney, Shreveport, LA; Darden Ford Gladney, Elizabeth Camille Gladney Abshire, James Patrick Gladney, all of Homer; twelve grandchildren: Laurel Holland, George Scott Holland, Kirk Gladney Holland, Grace Margaret Holland, Davidson Macdonald Steele, Teresa Diane Hughes, Kelly Elizabeth Gladney, James Andrew Abshire, Joseph Benjamin Abshire, Samuel Patrick Abshire, Christina Camille Gladney, Madalene Rose Gladney and three great-grandchildren: Taylor Gladney Holland, Sofia Holland Freed and Zachary Holland Freed.

The family expresses their continuing gratitude for the loving care of her physician Dr. Sam Abshire, and her caregivers: Dorothy Malray, Ethel Allen, Lovell Stevens, Virginia Robinson, Jessie Ruth Cooper and Mary Ann Gilbert.

Pallbearers were her grandsons.

Burial was at Arlington Cemetery immediately following the worship service.

Memorials may be made to the First Presbyterian Church of Homer or the Ford Museum. Rose-Neath Funeral Home Homer, La 318-927-6110
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PATSY ANN SUGGS, age 65, of Walland, died Tuesday, June 12, 2007 at the family home. She was a member of the Maryville Church of Christ. She was pre-

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ceded in death by father, Cecil Bogle.

Survivors include her husband of 48 years, E.J. Suggs; sons and daughters-in-law, Randy and Sandra Suggs of Hunts-ville, AL, Steve and Tammy Suggs of Knoxville, Darin and Stacy Suggs of Eva, AL; daughter and son-in-law, Lesa Ann and Thomas Wilkinson of Huntsville, AL; daughter and son-in-law, Tammie and Tracy Taylor of Phoenix, AZ; mother, Lola Mae Bogle of Falkville, AL; 9 grand-children; 1 great-granddaughter; brothers and sisters-in-law, Larry and Joyce Bogle of Eva, AL, Ronnie Bogle of Huntsville, AL.

Memorial services were at 3:00 p.m. Friday, June 15, 2007 at Maryville Church of Christ, 611 Sherwood Drive, Maryville, with the Rev. Dan Chambers and the Rev. P.J. Hicks officiating. Interment will follow in Williamson Chapel Cemetery. The family will receive friends from 1:00 until 3:00 p.m. Friday at the church. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Patsy Suggs Memorial, c/o Maryville Church of Christ, P.O. Box 5293, Maryville, TN 37802-5293. Arrangements by Dotson Funeral Home, Wildwood. (865-984-5959)

As Printed in The Daily News on June 15, 2007, Blount County, TN

Patsy Ann Bogle Suggs, age 60, of Walland, Tennessee, lost a seven year battle with ovarian cancer on June 12, 2007. Patsy is survived by her husband, E. J. Suggs. E. J. is the brother of Sid Suggs. E. J. and Sid are Samuel descendents.

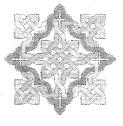
Submitted by Faye Suggs, wife of Sid Suggs, on November 5, 2007

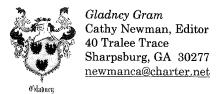
RUBY GLADNEY JOHNSON, 82, homemaker and member of Everett Memorial Methodist Church, died October 9, 2007 at Millington Health Care. Visitation was from 12 p.m. until service time at 2 p.m., Friday, October 12, both to be held at Maley-Yarbrough Chapel. Burial will be in Salem Cemetery, Atoka.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Harold R. Johnson. She leaves two daughters, Pam Edwards of Bartlett and Bonnie (Gary) Shipley of Fairview, TN; seven sons, Mickey (Lana) Johnson of Mason, Clyde (Linda) Johnson of Arlington, Timothy Johnson of Stanford, KY, Willard (Linda) Johnson of Memphis, Glen Johnson of Cordova, (Laverne) Johnson of Memphis, and Kenneth (Alice) Johnson of Cordova; three sisters, Louise Potter of Arlington, Dorothy Hampton of Atoka, and Sara Marbry of Brighton; 25 grand-children, and 10 great-grand-children.

Memorials may be sent to the American Cancer Society. Maley-Yarbrough Funeral Home 901-476-977

Submitted by Tim Johnson on 10/19/07.







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hotel, located in the heart of Charleston's historic district, offered very comfortable accommodations. A wonderful bus tour of the city and a boat trip to Fort Sumter was the Saturday entertainment for many, and dinner on Saturday evening was held in the beautiful Gold Banquet room. We missed those of you who could not attend.

We will have the 2007 Gladney Reunion in Winnsboro, SC, July 27-29, 2007. Judy Whitsell and her mother, Lucille Gladney, have agreed to host the 2007 reunion. We have reserved a block of rooms at the Fairfield Motel for two nights, July 27-29, at the rate of \$44.99 per day. Details on reservations can be found in this issue of the Gladney Gram. I always look forward to visiting the original family home site and the cemetery.

Good health to all of you,

Larry R. Ivens, President, GIA