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2-13-86 Today, mailed 293 copies of the 19th Edition Gladney-Grams newsletter to Gladney descendants on our GIAFA mailing list. 27 additional copies were mailed to persons with Gladney surname (not on our mailing list) which telephone directories show living in Memphis, Tn.; Magnolia and Little Rock, Ark.; Colorado Springs, Co.; Decatur and Mobile, Al.; Clinton and Jackson, Ms. Let's see what the response might be from these Gladneys. Copies were also mailed to Gladney descendants JOHN C. LYBRAND of Wills Point, Tx. and MRS. ROBERT W. RICHARDS of Oklahoma City, Ok. who are not on mailing list. ROBBIE DELL RUSSELL of Henderson, Tx. furnished address of Mrs. Richards who had inquired about our family association. Also mailed a copy of the newsletter to the manager of the Windsor Inn in Monroe, La. where our upcoming reunion is to be held. Total distribution of the 19th Edition Gladney-Grams was 323 copies...times the special bulk mailing rate of 121/24 each equals \$40.38 postage cost.

2-18-86 A thank you to INEZ RICHARDS of Carrollton, Ga. for dues/contribution check for GIAFA...recently added to our mailing list per request of CECIL GLADNEY also of Carrollton...nee Inez Driver, d/o Sevilla Gladney Driver and Dock Driver, P.50-GIA.

2-24-86 Mailed contributions to GIAFA totaling \$75.00 to treasurer, Atlanta, Ga.

2-26-86 Letter from REV. J. AUSTIN GLADNEY, Monroe, Ga. commenting

A Penny Is Not Worth Much...BUT Our Friendship Is Worth Millions



Rev. J. Austin Gladney Retired

Route 3, Monroe, Ga. 30655

Phone 267-8859

about how much he enjoyed reading the 19th Edition Gladney-Grams and telling me that he called the Windsor Inn, Monroe, La. on 2-24-86 and made reservations for four to attend upcoming reunion of the Gladney clan...his wife Dexter and their son and daughter-in-law, Danny and Judy Gladney of Lawrenceville, Ga.

TO GLADNEY DESCENDANTS LIVING NEAR ATLANTA, GEORGIA....Received second letter from REV. J. AUSTIN GLADNEY stating, "Danny, Judy, my wife and I are making plans to attend the reunion. I have already called for room reservations and Judy is working on air travel....The travel agency says if we had 15 people the rate would be cheaper. Those Gladney descendants living near Atlanta who would be interested in flying to Monroe, La. as a group, please call or write DAN and JUDY GLADNEY, 933 Martins Chapel Rd., Lawrenceville, Ga. 30245...their phone number is (404)-962-1064."

2-26-86 DR. THOMAS Y. GLADNEY, MD, Baton Rouge, La. wrote, "Enclosed is a check to cover our 1986 dues and donation to the family association...If I have not previously informed you, it is my sad duty to report the death of my brothers Rankin and Joseph in 1985. RANKIN CAPERS GLADNEY passed away in Colorado Springs, Colo. on Feb. 6, 1985 and was buried in Colorado Springs. JOSEPH ATKINSON GLADNEY passed away here in Baton Rouge on June 12, 1985 and was buried here in Baton Rouge. (Ref. P.8-GIA)... This leaves only two boys, myself and JAMES PATRICK GLADNEY who is now disabled and taken care of in Villa Feliciana, Jackson, La., a nursing home. Then we still have our two sisters, MRS. MARGARET GLADNEY SAVAGE of Beaumont, Tx. and MRS. LOUISE GLADNEY WATSON of Miami, Okla...I am hoping that we will be able to meet with you in Monroe come June 27-29."

3-5-86 DENSON M. POUND, Auburn, Al. sent \$5.00 for a Gladney Coat of Arms 8" x 10" color photo reprint and enclosed 10 Family Group Sheets containing information on several generations of the descendants of Denson's grandparents, Melinda Jane Gladney Pound (1838-1924) and Jim Pound, P.22-GIA, who lived in Randolph County, Al.

3-6-86 JAMES GLADNEY "Dick" HENDERSON (GIAFA Director), Dalton, Ga. sent his dues check for 1986 with a note that he has received no response to his letter to Rev. Thompson of Winnsboro, SC about our interest in helping to maintain the Old Lebanon (Old Rock) Churchyard Cemetery where a number of early Gladneys are buried (see P.158-GIA). A Mrs. Nelle McMaster Sprott did write to Dick asking him to join the Fairfield County Historical Society, which he is doing, and commenting that some refer to what we call the "Old Rock Church" as the "Old Stone Church." This old church, now in ruins, with its churchyard cemetery is not very distant

from the early Gladney colonial land grants. Be persistent in your effort, Dick...someone will respond.



OLD LEBANON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH RUINS (Old Rock or Old Stone Church) - West of Winnsboro, SC



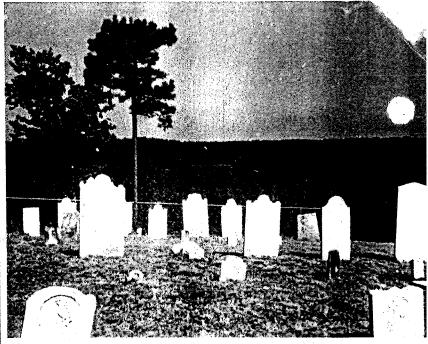
OLD GLADNEY CEMETERY, WINNSBORO, SC

3-6-86 Letter from JOHN DUDLEY MEADOWS, Rt. 11, Box 478, Longview, Tx. 75603; Samuel Gladney line descendant of Mary Anne Gladney Russell (1800-1876) and Forgus McDowell Russell.... "I would like to join the GIAFA. My sister, MRS. DELORES LOMAX (Mrs. Robert G. Lomax), is a member and has told me about the yearly reunions. I would like to meet some of my mother's family members so thought this would be a good way to get acquainted ... I enclose my check for \$20.00 to cover membership and a donation. I am planning on attending the reunion in June of this year in Monroe, La. and would appreciate receiving any of the information concerning same ... Please make reservations for the banquet meetings on nights of Friday, June 27, and Saturday, June 28, for me and my wife. We will also like to take the excursion trip on the Twin City Queen river vessel...Looking forward to meeting you and the other members."

Thank you, John. It is always a great pleasure to hear from a Gladney descendant and add them to our GIAFA mailing list. Welcome to the family clan!

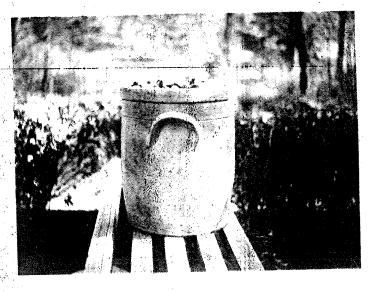
Ref. Mary Anne Gladney Russell, P.20-27-GIA.

NEW GIAFA MEMBER... 3-7-86 JEFFREY CHANDLER BARNES, 203 S. 30th Street, Louisiana, Mo. 63353...Letter from ENID C. BARNES (Mrs. Byron Barnes), St. Louis, Mo., stating, "Enclosed please find a Family Group Sheet on our son, Jeffrey and his wife, Dawn, for the supplement of Gladneys In America. They are very interested in our organization and I am enclosing a check for one year's dues for Jeff and would appreciate your adding his name to the mailing list for the Gladney-Grams. will become the next generation genealogist in our line and I am trying to give him all the information that I He is very interested in the upkeep and maintenance of the old Gladney Cemetery



A VIEW IN OLD GLADNEY CEMETERY NEAR WINNSBORO, FAIRFIELD COUNTY, SC.... Gravestones of the widow Jane Wilson Gladney (Mother of Gladneys In America) and her four Irish immigrant sons, Samuel, Richard, Thomas and Joseph Gladney

and will be sending you a check for that purpose. He and Dawn are in the process of building a house and of course we are all excited over that. It is so interesting that Jeff is putting down his roots where several generations ago the Gladneys came to Missouri looking for a place to put down their roots. I feel that he has come home again to Eastern Missouri. I am in the process of finding another line of ancestry - this time I will be searching for my grandmother's line - descending from Gideon Carr of Virginia - it seems to be a bit more difficult than the Gladney line! My husband Byron will have a meeting in Charleston, SC next year and we plan on taking a few extra days to visit our family site and especially the Gladney Cemetery." Welcome to the clan, Jeffrey!



THE OLD GLADNEY CROCK proudly possessed by Enid Chandler Barnes, St. Louis, Mo. Story has passed from generation to generation that this old crock was packed with hard boiled eggs in salt providing a main source of food for immigrant Gladney ancestors on their ocean trip from Ireland to colonial South Carolina. Enid Chandler Barnes, great granddaughter of Margaret Ann Gladney Chandler (1832-1908) and Abe Chandler, P.87-GIA.

3-7-86 FRANCES ANNETTE GLADNEY OWENS (Mrs. John B. Owens), Canton, Tx. wrote, "Enclosed is a check for GIAFA dues with \$10.00 added toward the purchase of a copying machine, which I hope you will be able to buy in the near future...I would like to express my appreciation for the obituary article entitled "Memoirs of R.H.B. Gladney" which

The clock of time is wound but once,
And no man has the power
To tell when the hands will stop
At late or early hour.

The present only is our own, Live, love, toil with a will--Place no faith in ''tomorrow''--for The clock may then be still.

you included in the 19th edition Gladney-Grams. He was my father and naturally I am very proud of him...We hope to see you in Monroe." This GIAFA secretary thanks you, Frances, for thinking about making my newsletter writing efforts easier "tomorrow" and in the future. Shown above is what the reverse of Rev. J. Austin Gladney's personal card on page 114 has to say about the present and "tomorrow." Your timely letter became significant to me because of what happened for me...tomorrow.

3-8-86 Attended a public auction for a Waco firm discontinuing business, selling inventory and office equipment...was able to bid successfully (\$420.00) for seemingly new Minolta EP-310 copying machine which I knew retailed new for about eighteen hundred dollars. This "Texas Gladney horse trader" quickly decided to buy this copier himself and not seek any future financial assistance for same from our GIAFA fund in Atlanta. I want to see that account continue to build up for the perpetual care of the Gladney Cemetery and the promotion of our family association. thank God for letting me have and use such a wonderful and versa-All of you can see what it is doing for this edition tile machine. We have come a long way to a "new beginning" of Gladney-Grams. with the newsletters. I especially welcome your comments, letters about your family, photos, articles, memorabelia, etc...have much to share with you in future newsletter editions. Hope you all will continue to support this effort with your voluntary dues and donations to the GIAFA...the clan, the Gladney clan, our clan!

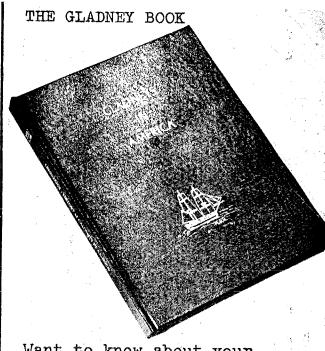


MILDRED GLADNEY ARNOLD (Mrs. Tom M. Arnold)

This beloved Gladney descendant, born Sept. 7, 1897 at Marion, Arkansas, daughter of Dr. Richard Adair Gladney and Martha Shackelford Hodges Gladney, P.72-GIA, is a resident of Kennesaw, Georgia, her mailing address being P.O. Box 13, Kennesaw, Ga. 30144. We are indebted to Mrs. Arnold for authoring and publishing the wonderful Gladneys In America Genealogy/Family History book in 1966... 160 pages...over 100 pages of Gladney genealogy tables...over 50 pages of narrative, dramatic history-story of Gladneys In America...profusely illustrated with pictures, Coat of Arms, rare

pioneer scenes, early maps, etc. A work of family love! Send \$25.00 in your letter of request to Mrs. Arnold for a copy.

3-9-86 ANOTHER NEW GIAFA MEMBER... Received phone call from California and had a very pleasant conversation with B. J. KENNEDY, 16625 Crenshaw Blvd., Apt. 20, Torrance, Ca. 90504, phone (213)-516-6811. B. J., who indicated that he would follow-up with a letter to me about his closer Gladney ancestors of the Mississippi branch, is a great grandson of Jane Strong Gladney (b. 1827 SC; m. Hannah), P.82-GIA, a daughter of Charles Gladney and Nancy Gladney. He expressed interest in perhaps coming to the upcoming reunion. Welcome to the clan, B.J...all are invited and please do think about coming! Hope this newsletter gives you insight. into our large, extended "of the blood" family clan. We appreciate your interest, and I have again stated in this



Want to know about your ancestors?

edition how you may obtain a copy of what many of us call "The Gladney Book."

3-12-86 CHARLES S. GLADNEY, Foley, Mo. wrote, "Just a short note to say I enjoyed our phone conversation when I called you last week...enclosing check for my GIAFA dues and a Gladney Coat of Arms emblem patch...I plan to be in Monroe, La. for the reunion if work will permit. I work with R.R. Construction and don't always know where I will be at a set time." We thank you, Charles, and we'll look forward to meeting you in June...hope that the Missouri family branch will be coming with you in large numbers.

3-12-86 MRS. JUNE GLADNEY, wife of DR. ERNEST SCOTT GLADNEY, Los Alamos, NM wrote, "We were pleased to see in the latest Gladney-Grams that an update on the family history book is being worked on. Please send me three of the family group sheets and I will fill them out and return them before August. Enclosed is my stamped return envelope...Thank you for the warm welcome into the family association. We regret we will not be in Monroe, La. in June, but hope the reunion is a fine time for all!"

3-13-86 Mailed \$145.00 to WILLIAM C. GLADNEY, JR., Treasurer, Atlanta, Ga. for deposit in GIAFA account.

3-13-86 MRS. TIMOTHY H. WELFORD, Tupelo, Ms. sent a check covering 1986 dues for herself and her parents, MR. AND MRS. MELVIN GLADNEY E. GLADNEY of Cullman, Al. Sorry, Karen, that I made the typographical error in your address on the mailing list. Awhile back I was an accurate typist, but now I am learning to erase 60 words a minute! Thanks for letting me know. I have corrected your address to read: MRS. TIMOTHY H. WELFORD (Karen), 1322 Ida, Apt. E-1, Tupelo, Ms. 38801.

3-14-86 MRS. JESS S. BOWEN, JR. (Margarete Gladney Chesnut Bowen), Waverly, Tn. wrote, "Thanks for the very informative newsletter

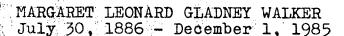
and instructions for the reunion to be held in June. We have a conflict and do not know if it will be possible for us to attend. Our daughter, DR. JUDITH MARGARETE BOWEN, is graduating from the Menninger Clinic in psychiatry the weekend before, which will be in Topeka, Kansas. She has been hired by the Menninger Clinic to be on the professional medical staff after graduation...Enclosing check for my dues. If at all possible, we will do our best to attend. Will be looking forward to your newsletter telling us all about it. We do appreciate all of your great effort in keeping the clan together." Our congratulations to you, Judith...a special invitation to you to come to the reunion with your parents and let us all meet and congratulate you personally for your achievement!

3-14-86 TOLL FREE 800 NUMBER FOR WINDSOR INN, MONROE, LA. NO LONGER A WORKING NUMBER. GEORGE L. GLADNEY, JR., GIAFA President, Rayville, La. has informed me about this. I'm sorry that I obtained the 800 number from a motor club guide which I have, and failed to check it out before giving it to you in the last newsletter. But I did give you the regular number for the Windsor Inn too...PHONE (318)-325-5851... Please call that number to make your room reservations for the reunion.

3-15-86 A letter came from JACK SHELTON GLADNEY who was recently added to our GIAFA mailing list and whose address should now be corrected to 7608 NW 25th Terrace, Bethany, Ok. 73008. Thanks for a dues check from Jack who also enclosed two typewritten pages of information on the descendants of Allen Gilchrist Gladney (1872-1940) and Elizabeth Logan Gladney, P.17-GIA - 8 children and quite a number of grandchildren, Jack being the 8th child. 7 sons and 1 daughter in the family of Allen Gilchrist Gladney! And there was no lineage information beyond him for Mrs. Arnold to include in the Gladney genealogy book. Jack, we all must understand that only that information which is available to a genealogical compiler or author can be included in a publication or, for that matter, any supplementary genealogy tables. Thank you very much for sending the new information on your family lineage. thanks to LUTHER W. GLADNEY of Pauls Valley, Ok. for finding and contacting Jack in a suburb of Oklahoma City. Jack, I'm glad that you enjoyed our most recent Gladney-Grams newsletter. You and the other interested members of your close family may order the Gladney book from Mrs. Arnold in Kennesaw, Ga. (suburb of Atlanta). All of you "crank up your flivvers" and drive down to Monroe, La. in June...we would like to meet you and have the pleasure of your company.

Without rewriting the above article, I want to add that Jack's father, Allen Gilchrist Gladney, was one of nine children of Joseph Patrick Gladney (1812-1878) and m.(2) Anne Thomas Ellington Gladney, there having been 7 children in Joseph's marriage (1) to Jane Ross Lacy Gladney. Joseph Patrick was a son of James Gladney and a grandson of immigrant ancestor Samuel Gladney I. You might want to read the interesting history/story about this Gladney line on pages 135-136-GIA.

3-17-86 The 19th edition Gladney-Grams contained an obituary article on the passing of MARGARET LEONARD GLADNEY WALKER, age 99 - a shining star of our Gladney clan. My thanks went to Ella Mae Gladney Andrews (Mrs. Henning Andrews) of Houlka, Ms. for sending the newspaper clipping. My deep gratitude now goes to MARGARET KYLE WALKER WELLFORD (Mrs. Alexander W. Wellford), Memphis, Tn., for sending me much information on her beloved mother and three generations of her descendants. Let the Gladneys In America clan thank God for this member of the family - one whose long life span of nearly 100 years went back halfway to our immigrant ancestors - one who obviously regarded education as of major importance, encouraging and urging it for all of her descendants as ancestors in her direct family line surely did beginning with her great great grandmother, Jane Strong Gladney, wife of immigrant ancestor Richard Gladney III.





Margaret Leonard Gladney Walker, widow of Iverson Jones Walker, Jr., died December 1, 1985 at her home in Memphis, Tennessee. She was the daughter of William Hervey Gladney and Elizabeth Barnes Gladney (P.65-GIA). She was born in Hamburg, Ashley County, Arkansas, was educated in Hamburg, attended private school in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, and graduated from the Maddox Seminary in Little Rock, Arkansas. As a young woman, she was to be presented to society at a large reception in her honor in Little Rock by relatives and

friends of the family, when her father became fatally ill and she returned instead to her home in Hamburg....Later she met and married Iverson Jones Walker, Jr. and moved to Williston, Tennessee where he was a business, civic and religious leader. Her husband's family had settled the area, formerly known as Walker Station. his death in 1919 she was drafted to teach Latin and French at the Williston Academy. Later she chose teaching to farming, running a bank, a gin, sawmill, gristmill, sorghum mill, all of which she knew nothing about managing, to say nothing about the myriad requirements necessary for the place. She went to the University of Tennessee and completed her requirements for a B.A. degree and got her Master degree. She taught history in the Memphis City School System (she was qualified to teach French, Latin and English and could read Greek) until she was made principal of Christine Grammar School in Memphis and then principal of Bruce Grammar School, one of the largest in the city system with 600 pupils. She ran Bruce School without the help of a secretary, although the principal who followed her upon her retirement required three secretaries.... She made her home with her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Alexander W. Wellford. She is survived by two daughters, Elizabeth Walker Bailey (Mrs. John B. Bailey) of Knoxville, Tennessee, and Margaret Kyle Walker Wellford (Mrs. Alexander W. Wellford) of Memphis, Tennessee, seven grandchildren and eleven great grandchildren.

PERSONAL NOTE FROM DAUGHTER, MARGARET KYLE WALKER WELLFORD..."Our beautiful, brilliant mother was a great inspiration to all of us.

She was left a widow at a very early age (her early 30s) with three children, ages ten, eight, and five. She brought her children through the Depression, sending us to the best available My sister, Elizabeth Walker (Mrs. John B. Bailey), was valedictorian of her high school class in Somerville and is a graduate of the University of Tennessee in Knoxville. My brother, Iverson Jones Walker III (1910-1955), was a graduate of the University of Tennessee and Harvard Law School and had a brilliant career as an attorney in Dallas, Texas until his untimely death. Margaret Kyle Walker (Mrs. Alexander W. Wellford) graduated from Miss Hutchison's School in Memphis and attended Rhodes College (then Southwestern at Memphis) My mother was well-travelled, having gone to Europe a number of times. She was at ninety-nine still beautiful; friends marvelled at her lovely complexion. had a rich heritage from her Beckett-Gladney and Dean-Barnes forebears and she has left her mark on all of us. A lady well-born, she was renouned for her beauty and brilliance. She was cultured and refined, with strength and fortitude."

MARGARET KYLE WALKER WELLFORD (d/o Margaret Leonard Gladney Walker) and her husband, ALEXANDER WHITE WELLFORD, have three children and seven grandchildren. Their three children, who all reside in Memphis, Tennessee, are (1) MARGARET WALKER WELLFORD, b. 2-10-1938, m. Dr. Owen Britt Tabor; (2) ALEXANDER WHITE WELLFORD, JR., b. 7-19-1942, m. Karen Marie Lancaster; and (3) CHRISTINA GLADNEY WELLFORD, b. 11-4-1951, m. Jeffrey Alvin Posson.

- (1) MARGARET WALKER WELLFORD TABOR ... Graduated from Miss Hutchison's School; graduate of Connecticut College for Women, New London, Ct.; was Queen of Osiris, Memphis Cotton Carnival Organization; went to Duke graduate school; got Masters degree at Memphis State; married Dr. Owen Britt Tabor while he was in medical school; both active in civic, social and religious circles. He is a member of Idlewild Presbyterian Church and she a member of 2nd Church of Christ, Scientist. Dr. Tabor's family was from Georgia - Tacoa and Tifton - but he was born and grew up in Philadelphia, Pa. attended Penn-Charter School, then Weslyan at Middletown, Ct., then Duke Medical School. He interned at the University of Pennsylvania Hospital; went to Flight Surgeons School in Pensacola, Fl., and was ordered to the Oceana Naval Hospital at Virginia Beach, Va. for three years U.S. Navy duty. He came to Memphis and did his residency at the famous Campbell's Clinic and is now a practicing orthopedic surgeon in Memphis with the firm of Stratton, Boles, Tabor and Morris. This couple has four children ... MARGARET KYLE TABOR (called Kyle), b. 1-11-1963, is a graduate of the Hutchison School and the University of Virginia, and is currently working in Washington, DC in the office of Senator Hecht of Nevada...MARY BRITT WELLFORD TABOR, b. 10-4-1965, is a senior at Princeton, having also graduated from the Hutchison School... OWEN BRITT TABOR, JR., b. 2-22-1967, graduated from Memphis University School and is in his first year at the University of Virginia ... ALEXANDER WELLFORD TABOR, b. 9-13-1968, is a senior at Memphis University School.
- (2) ALEXANDER WHITE WELLFORD, JR...graduated valedictorian from Memphis University School; graduated from Princeton magna cum laude; graduated from Yale Law School and is a practicing attorney

with his firm of Humphreys, Dunlap and Wellford. He married Karen Marie Lancaster, an American who with her mother lived in Europe about 14 years. She went to school in Munich, Switzerland, University of Paris, and transferred to Mt. Holyoke in South Hadley, Massachusetts where she met her husband, Alexander, then at Yale. She is an artist and sculptress and is currently teaching history of art at the Hutchison School part time. This couple has two children...ALEXANDER WHITE WELLFORD III, b. 8-19-1969, is a tenth grader at Memphis University School...MARGARET ANNE DUDLEY WELLFORD, b. 10-14-1973 (named for all four grandparents and called "Megan"), is about a 7th grader at Hutchison School.

(3) CHRISTINA GLADNEY WELLFORD...graduated from the Hutchison School; completed a semester at Fleming College, Lugano, Switzerland, then transferred to Rhodes (formerly Southwestern) in Memphis where she graduated Phi Beta Kappa. She also had a summer with Rhodes' Oxford England program and a semester at Mt. Holyoke. Christina also went to the Conservatory in Cincinnati and studied voice for three years, then came home and got her Masters in Voice degree at Memphis State. She has sung with several opera groups and the Southern Opera Company but has become interested in the stage. She is married to Jeffrey Alvin Posson, an actor, professor and director. They have a one year old son, JEFFREY WELLFORD POSSON, b. 2-19-1985.

Yes, Peggy (Margaret Kyle Walker Wellford), it does appear that your mother, Margaret Leonard Gladney Walker, passed her rich heritage on to her descendants and left her mark on each of you. Much gratitude back to you for sending me all of the above information plus the genealogical update information on the families of your sister, MRS. JOHN B. (Sarah Elizabeth Walker) BAILEY of Knoxville, Tn., and your brother, IVERSON JONES WALKER III, deceased. It's not necessary for you to send the information to Mrs. Arnold. And thank you for your contribution check for GIAFA for your mother and yourself.

Letter from new GIAFA member BILLY J. KENNEDY, Torrance, 3-19-86 Ca., mentioned on page 118 this edition...sent \$10.00 dues, a diagram showing his lineage back to immigrant ancestor Richard Gladney III...he is ordering the Gladney Book from Mrs. Arnold. Billy's lineage diagram shows some new update information on his great grandparents who are the last ancestors of his line shown in the Gladney book, P.82-GIA. They were Jane Strong Gladney (d/o Charles Gladney and Nancy Gladney, P.59-GIA), b. 5-27-1827, d. 2-20-1873, m. 1849 Alexander T. Hanna, b. 10-17-1822, d. 12-19-1861. Billy's grandparents were Sarah A. Hanna, b. 11-23-1860, d. 6-2-1913, m. 1878 Andrew Y. Kennedy, b. 2-22-1853, d. 5-4-1930. His parents were Henry Grady Kennedy, b. 7-7-1886, d. 11-18-1979, m. 1928 Stella Romedy, b. 4-22-1896, d. 4-20-1959. BILLY J. KENNEDY, b. 5-4-1933, m. 1961 Flora Santa Cruz, b. 12-17-1928; they have one son, ROBERT J. KENNEDY, b. 10-3-1963. Thank you, Billy, for your interest, letter and enclosures. The Thomas Stitt whom you mentioned in your letter was a son of Jane Gladney Stitt and Robert Stitt (P.102-GIA) of the Thomas Gladney line.

3-22-86 ADDRESS CHANGES... The Postal Service returned 19th Edition Gladney-Grams newsletters to me showing address correction/change for the Gladney descendants named below:

WILLIAM FULLER, 579 Wright St. #4-307, Lakewood, CO. 80228 to 145 S. Zang Way #D, Lakewood, CO. 80228.

J. DAVID GLADNEY, 1338-G 34th St. S., Birmingham, AL. 35205 to PO Box 53095, Atlanta, GA. 30355.

MR. & MRS. VICTOR GLADNEY, Rt. 7, Box 67-A, Hendersonville, NC. 28739 to 2800 S. Ocen Blvd. #22-D, Boca Raton, FL. 33432.

M. TUCKER GRILLS, 5350 Amesbury Dr. #2007, Dallas, Tx. 75206 to 2709 W. Royal Ln. #609, Irving, TX. 75063.

BECKY STALLINGS, 3278 Hickory View Place, Memphis, Tn. 38115 to 3469 Renault Street, Memphis, TN. 38118.

DELETIONS FROM GIAFA MAILING LIST...19th Edition Gladney-Grams newsletters sent to below named Gladney descendants were undeliverable by Postal Service. Anyone have information about them?

J. T. GLADNEY, 2831 Grand Avenue SW, Atlanta, GA. 30315.

MRS. RUTH G. FEATHERSTON, 701 W. Main Street, Homer, LA. 71040.

MRS. JAMES W. REEVES, 425 Lake Drive, Marietta, GA. 30060.

3-26-86 Note from CECIL and POLLY GLADNEY, Carrollton, Ga. sending Easter Greetings and saying that they have written to the Windsor Inn, Monroe, La. for room reservations for themselves and Cecil's sisters, MRS. ALTON (Geneva) DAVENPORT and MRS. BOND (Alice) FULLER, to attend upcoming Gladneys In America reunion. In late April they are going on a one week trip to Orlando, Florida; second week in June they will be flying to San Francisco, California for a one week stay.

3-27-86 Went crappie fishing today at Lake Waco with my uncle, HERSHEL MORGAN GLADNEY of nearby Hewitt, Tx. and he handed me his 1986 GIAFA dues. Lake Waco, about three miles from my home, has been giving up some very large crappie this season. We caught a few and I lost one - one so large that it came untied and slid off my fender while driving home! Know how to tell when a Texan might be a prevaricator -- when his lips are moving!

CHANGE OF ADDRESS NOTE received today from MRS. ANNE W. RAULERSON of Bartow, Fl. changing the address of her 91-year old mother, MRS. VERNON G. WIDERQUIST (nee Johnette Wilie Odom, P.64-GIA) from 2673 Rhode Island Ave., Fort Myers, Fl. 33901 to Mrs. Vernon G. Widerquist, c/o Anne W. Raulerson, P.O. Box 570, Bartow, FL. 33830. Glad to hear that you like to read about the Gladneys in the newsletters, Mrs. Widerquist, and thanks for enclosing your GIAFA dues check with your daughter's note. The Gladney clan sends Happy Birthday greetings to you on your 91st on April 1!

3-28-86 ELLA MAE GLADNEY ANDREWS (wife of Rev. Henning Andrews), Houlka, Ms. sent GIAFA dues, two family group sheets, and a note that their daughter, MARY ELEANA ANDREWS COOLEY, son-in-law KENNETH B. COOLEY, and granddaughter REBECCA LEIGH COOLEY (b.10-30-81)

have moved from Houston, Tx. to Belton, Tx. which is about 45 miles from Waco. Ken is employed by Texas Instruments in nearby Temple, Tx. CHANGE OF ADDRESS: MR. & MRS. KEN B. COOLEY, 7206 Postwick Ct., Houston, Tx. 77095 to 300 St. Andrews Place, Belton, Tx. 76513. Thanks, Ella Mae, and do come by when you come to Texas for a visit.

4-1-86 Mailed \$105.00 to WILLIAM C. GLADNEY, JR., Treasurer, Atlanta, for deposit in GIAFA account.

4-2-86 1986 dues received from MARGUERITTE WEBSTER, Texarkana, Ark., who stated she will be attending upcoming reunion in Monroe, La. in June. In fact, she is down there now to attend the wedding of her granddaughter, KAY WEBSTER (b. 10-1-1964, a/o WILLIAM WICKHAM WEBSTER, JR. and Norma Kinlock Stewart Webster, residents of Monroe, La.)...this couple has one other child, a son, WILLIAM KINLOCK WEBSTER, b. 12-29-1961. Margueritte, I contacted Waco resident, Mrs. Ruth Montgomery, about whom you wrote, and found that she is not a Gladney descendant...84 years old, she talked at length about Magnolia, Ark. where you said that you grew up.



Rev. George Holland, Pastor, Central Presbyterian Church, Waco, Texas, and wife, newly ordained Rev. Patricia Ann Gladney Holland, Assistant Pastor. See article in 19th Edition Gladney-Grams

4-7-86 OLDEST LIVING GLADNEY DESCENDANT TO ATTEND UPCOMING REUNION IN MONROE, LOUISIANA! He travelled 500 miles from Texas to Sardis, Ms. in 1984 to meet and be with you all at the gathering of the clan. Uncle LUTHER LYLES GLADNEY, who will be 97 years old on Sept. 30, 1986, will be with all of us again at our gathering in Monroe, La. Now living at the Heritage Village Retirement Community in Ft. Worth, he will be coming with his daughter, VIOLET GLADNEY GROSSKREUTZ, and her husband, DELL GROSSKREUTZ, of Arlington, Tx. Cousin "Vi" called me today and said she was calling for reservations at the Windsor Inn in Monroe. Now you all must surely come and meet this exceptional elder member of our family clan...a grand gentleman who was a center of attraction at the Sardis reunion. The honor of having him in attendance will be such that all of us "youngsters" should show up there too!



Plan to be on the road to Monroe, La. in June! 4-8-86 GIAFA dues from WYLIE M. HEATH, Carrollton, Ga. A note from Wylie, s/o Mandeville Gladney Heath and Rufus Heath, P.50-GIA, states he's just back from a Florida vacation and indicates that he is coming to the GIAFA reunion in Monroe, La.

4-12-86 GIAFA dues from MRS. FRED H. CHRISTIAN (Marcia Gladney Christian), Houston, Tx. and MRS. LOUISE N. GLADNEY, Rayville, La. These descendants will be coming to upcoming reunion.

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4-12-86 Following up on a suggestion from THOMAS RALPH McCANN, a Gladney descendant living in Monroe, La., GIAFA President GEORGE L. GLADNEY, JR. informed me by letter today that he has made arrangements for Gladney



CALVIN B. DRIVER (s/o Sevilla Gladney Driver and Dock Driver, P.50-GIA) and wife INA DRIVER of Whitesburg, Ga.; both age 82; a delightful couple and strong supporters of GIAFA and family heritage.

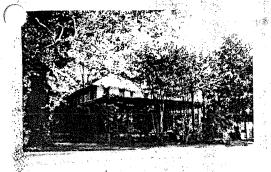
descendants attending the upcoming reunion to tour the EMY-LOU BIEDENHARN FOUNDATION BIBLE MUSEUM in Monroe at 2:00 pm on Friday, June 27, 1986. Information on this attraction appears on the next George stated in his letter, "THOSE INTERESTED IN GOING ON THIS TOUR SHOULD PLAN TO BE AT THE WINDSOR INN EARLY ENOUGH FOR THE TOUR...AND TO LET HIM KNOW A COUPLE OF WEEKS PRIOR TO THE REUNION SO THE PROPER NUMBER OF GUIDES WILL BE AVAILABLE." George's address is Rt. 3, Box 210, Rayville, La. 71269; phone (318)-728-3008. now have a lot of planned activities for the reunion...tour, social and business meeting activities, two evening banquets, riverboat excursion on the Twin Cities river vessel, and Sunday am worship service. MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS NOW TO ATTEND THE GLADNEYS IN AMERICA REUNION AT MONROE, LA. ON JUNE 27-28-29, 1986. WRITE WINDSOR INN, 2102 Louisville Ave., Monroe, La. 71201, OR PHONE (318)-325-5851 FOR ROOM RESERVATIONS... Special room rates for GIAFA members per night - Single (\$24.00), Double (\$28.00), King (\$30.00). 1986 GATHERING OF THE CLAN...AN EVENT YOU SHOULD NOT MISS!

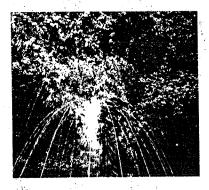


WILLIAM C. GLADNEY, SR. (left), Waco, Tx., presenting ED STEVENSON a framed Gladney Coat of Arms emblem patch at Old Gladney Cemetery, Winnsboro, SC. Deep appreciation to Ed and his wife, Mitt, of Winnsboro for their loyalty to GIAFA and topnotch care and maintenance of the old cemetery. Ed is a current director of GIAFA. (July 1985 GIAFA reunion photo).

WILLIAM C. GLADNEY, SR. served as GIAFA President, July 1983 to July 1985.

Emy-Lou Biedenharn Foundation provides.... A Fantastic Trio of Attractions







ELsong Gardens Bible Museum

ELsong Gardens Sible Muse. Miss Emy-Lou -- Family, Career, and Foundation



Miss Emy-Lon Biedenharn was a patient, industrious, intelligent, and determined manner of things she believed to be important. Translating her beliefs into tangible realities, she left a legacy of monuments of interest to her city, her state, and the world.

Miss Emy-Lou was the daughter of Joseph A. and Anne Schlottman Biedenharn. In 1894 in Vicksburg, Mississippi, Mr. Joe took the popular fountain beverage known as Coca-Cola and put it into bottles for the first time ever.

The Biedenharn family, including three sons and Miss Emy-Lou, moved to Monroe in

1913. Their beautiful home was built in 1914.

Her love of music and her great musical talents took Miss Emy-Lou to Europe during the 1930's, where she thrilled audiences in London, Hamburg, Berlin, Munich, Copenhagen, and other cities with her rich contralto voice.

The now-famous Gardens were designed by Miss Emy-Lou and Landscape Architect C. C. Fleming in 1946. Commenting that the beautiful formal gardens were Miss Emy-Lou's new song, her father

appropriately named the family home and gardens ELsong—Emy-Lou's song.
Following several years of planning, Miss Emy-Lou established and financed the Emy-Lou Biedenharn Foundation. Through the Foundation, she established the Bible Research Center in 1971. She donated ELsong Gardens to the Foundation in 1977 and the family home, ELsong, in 1982.

Her vision and wisdom in developing the Bible Research Center and in perpetuating ELsong and ELsong Gardens

created a living tribute to the stature of her life personally and to her abiding love for others.

Bible Museum

Opened in 1971, the Bible Research Center contains a large and priceless collection of rare Bibles, coins, musical instruments, and antique furnishings. The following list is only a sampling of its many notable items:

- A sixteen-volume Ante-Nicene Christian Library, which embraces writings from the First Century A.D. to 325
- Comments on the Scriptures written by the most-learned scholar of Anglo-Saxon times, the Venerable Bede (A.D. 673-735)
- Greek, Hebrew, Latin, and Aramaic Bibles; also Tyndale and Coverdale reprints
- An original Danish Martin Luther Bible (1550) and nine original Geneva Bibles (from 1584 to 1615)
- Originals of the Biblia Sacra (1523), the Beza New Testament (1596), and the King James Holy Bible (1617)
- A Parallel Bible of great beauty and art interest with its 2500 engravings. a cherished Rembrandt Bible, and a modern Jerusalem Bible
- Wall displays of Fifteenth-Century Mosaics, Spanish antiphonal music on vellum, and framed engravings of paintings by Raphael, Hogarth, and Andrea del Sarto

