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The President's Corner...

Greetings and welcome to 2020!!!

I hope that the New Year has started off with a bang and good health and good fortune to all our Families.

According to the Chinese calendar, this is the year of the Rat, which is a symbol of wealth and surplus. I have not met a wealthy rat. I take that back, I have done business with quite a few, and some we call them Congressmen and Congresswomen.

We had a successful conference in Little Rock this past October and had a chance to meet new Yarbrough Families from Mississippi, Arkansas, Illinois, Missouri, Texas and Oklahoma. For those that attended, I hope that you will continue to support YNHGA.

What we want to accomplish in 2020

1. Continue promoting the DNA project to maximize the knowledge of our lineage.
2. Increase our membership through social media, Facebook etc., contacting our own relatives and calling and emailing Yarbroughs that we don't know and get new members involved. We have now have 140 dues paying members in YNGHA and 899 Facebook Friends.
3. Continue to add lines, history and stories to the digitized records for the generations of Yarbroughs to come.
4. Attend Yarbrough Family reunions or to start a tradition of a Yarbrough Family reunion.
5. The membership is working on the Indexing Project for our 164 volumes of Yarbrough History so the Family Records can be more easily researched.

Please contact Leonard Yarbrough as we need more volunteers to accomplish this goal of completion of the summer of 2023. Thank you members who are presently working on the project and keep up the good work.

Please contact Leonard or myself with any goals and ideas that you would like to share with the Family.

In closing, my thanks to the Officers and the Board for your continuing efforts in "Keeping the Family".

I wish for every Yarbrough Family member a healthy and successful New Year!

- Jim



Jottings..

The weather has been “variable,” and the weather weasels have not been entirely accurate (at least around my part of Alabama). At the moment, it appears that Old Man Winter is finally going to drop in and stay a while. The good news is that Spring is not that far off.

This quarter’s issue is sort of a mish-mash of stuff accumulated over the last three or four months. I was wondering whether to use some of it, when I reviewed several issues of *The Yarborough Family Magazine* by Charles David Yarborough. I came across various items similar to those in this issue, so I reckoned they would be of interest.

One of the things I have noticed over the years is that there generally is not a lot of news about the deeds and accomplishments of the members of our extended families. That does not imply that they have not been doing anything notable; just that they are generally not headline seekers. The past quarter yielded far more accounts than “normal”, and I found all of them interesting. There is a disclaimer, though. Three may be regarded as “political”, which is to say the subjects are/were in the political arena. Apart from whatever political position that is discussed, these are members of our extended families, and as such, I think they provide an insight into the family heritage(s).

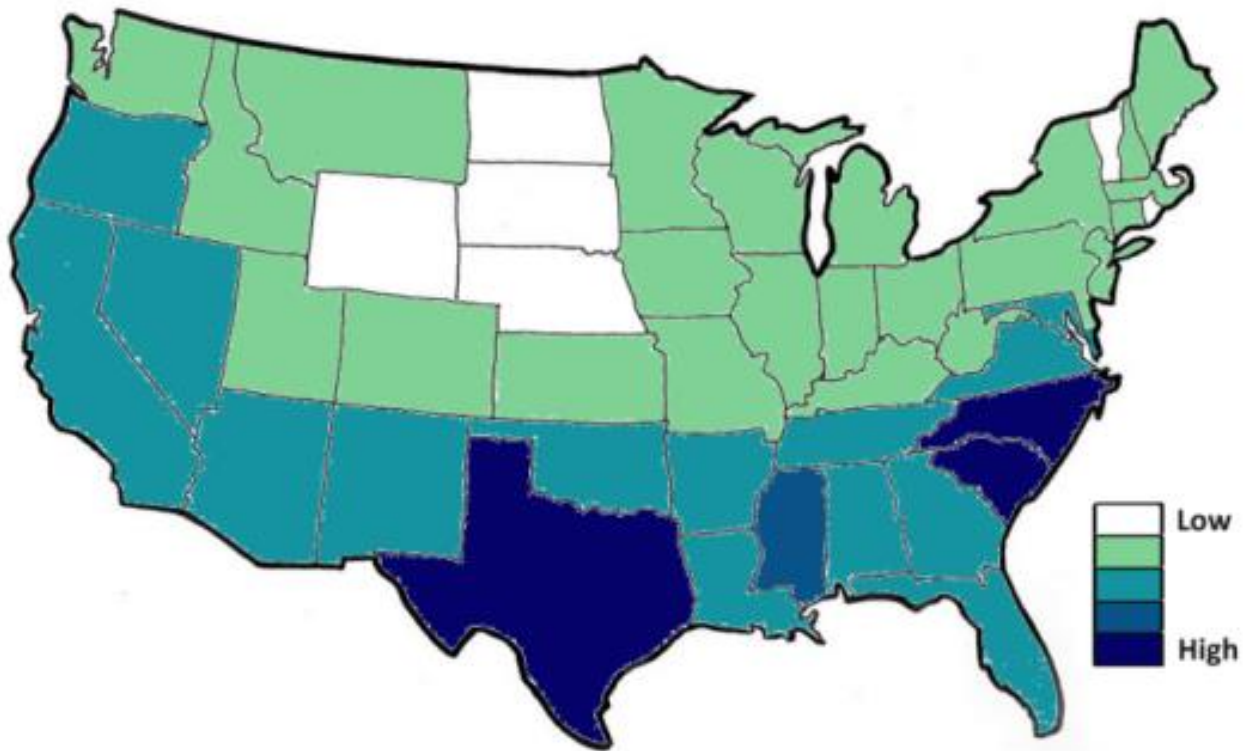
I have been researching a couple of allied families, the Handleys and Hudsons. The Handldleys have proven to be straight-forward, except for a gap between the oldest partriarch and his grandson. There are indications as to who/what the connection is, but so far no documentary evidence. The Hudsons/Hutsons are another story entirely, as there are numerous lines going back to both Great Britain and Germany and/or the Netherlands. Genetically, these lines resemble a spilled bowl of spaghetti noodles. The good news is that the portion of the Hudson family associated with the Joshua Yarborough line is well documented – exceptionally so, considering the state of affairs in colonial times. Thus, I have been able to eliminate most of the uncertainty I had in my line. Once again, I accidentally came across the information I had been seeking off and on for the past couple of decades. That is, I was helping a Blount County Museum patron search for one of her ancestors, and I found reference to the purchase of a book of church records. That opened a new avenue of research.

I am not through searching, but the path is now much clearer than before. Serendipity simply cannot be discounted when hunting down ancestral vagrants!

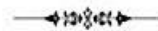
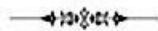
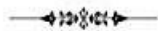
— *Leonard*

Where the Yarbrough¹ Families Are

Estimated Distribution of the Surname (all spellings)



Occasionally, the question arises as to “Where should I look for my ancestors?” While the above pictorial is at best an approximation, it provides a broad answer as to the Yarbrough whereabouts, both currently and in the past. Just to provide a bit finer resolution, the light green states have numbers closer to the teens than in the hundreds. The dark blue states have numbers in the low thousands. In general, the ancestral migrations followed the old Indian hunting trails and early Federal roads.



¹ Based on Census Records.

A Review of Early Colonial History²

After the English settlers arrived in Virginia in 1607, Powhatan, the chieftain of the Powhatan confederation of tribes, chose to trade with them rather than resort to force. Yet hostilities prevailed until 1614, when Powhatan and the English negotiated peace. Powhatan died in 1618 and his brother Opechancanough eventually succeeded him. Of the Powhatan confederation of tribes, the Pamunkey Indians were among the most aggressive at repelling English incursions. On 22 March 1622/3 Opechancanough wiped out one-sixth of the English population in premeditated attacks along the James River. A treaty of 1625 set aside Pamunkey Neck 'that land between the Pamunkey and Mattaponi rivers, including all of present-day King William County' as an Indian reserve, where no white man was allowed to settle. Although no longer threatened by the white settlers, Pamunkey still faced attacks from other marauding tribes. Needing the powerful English as allies, they opened settlement of their lands to within three miles of their villages. A tenuous peace reestablished in 1632 was shattered 17 April 1644 when Opechancanough slaughtered 500 colonists in remote settlements. The English retaliated and defeated Opechancanough and his warriors, essentially abolishing the Powhatan chiefdom.

Although Indians continued to menace the settlers in the Northern Neck, Gov. William Berkeley, did nothing to quell the uprisings, perhaps, as some allege, he and his associates benefitted from the Indian trade. Nevertheless, in 1676 Nathaniel Bacon and his volunteers ignored the governor's policies and successfully raided the Pamunkey and Occaneechi villages. Bacon's Rebellion, as it

was called, fell apart with the death of its ringleader that same year. On 29 May 1677 the English entered into a peace treaty with what remained of six tribes, including the Pamunkey, all of whom swore allegiance to the king of England and the queen of the Pamunkey (her husband Totopotami having been killed in 1656).

Among the Indian interpreters was Richard Yarbrough. He could speak the languages of the Seneca, Iroquois, Chickahominy, Pamunkey, and Mattaponi. Following the peace treaty of 1677 he arranged with the queen to lease him more than 4,000 acres of land in present-day King William County for ninety-nine years. The Virginia House of Burgesses engaged Yarbrough to join other authorities to travel to New York to seek to halt Indian raids on Virginia from the north. As Yarbrough was motivated to sell portions of his lease to new settlers, he possibly took the occasion to promote Virginia as a place to live.

Yarbrough was still living at the mouth of lower Herring Creek when Edmund Jennings secured a patent to 705 acres there in 1696. Richard was dead by June 1699 when a committee issued a report on settlers intruding on land set aside for the Pamunkey. The King had evidently failed to grant the Indians a formal patent for their reservation, contrary to the Articles of Peace. In June 1694 settlers began surveying land on the reservation prompting the "Queen of the Pamunkey Indians together with the great men belonging to the said Nation", to complain that they never received their formal grant. The committee considered the complaint and concluded that Crown must

² - from Virginians - the Family History of John W. Pritchett .

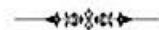
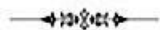
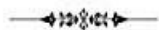
uphold its agreement as laid out in the fourth paragraph of the Articles of Peace, as follows: “That for prevention of injuries and evill conseq'ts that may arise for the future by the Violent intrusion of diverse English into & upon the Land Granted to the said Indians by the aforesaid Articles to ye great disturbance of the Peace of His Maj'ties Colony and involving it into crime & misery. It is concluded and established that noe English shall seat or plant nearer than three miles of any Indian Town.”

Yet about 50 tracts under 99-year leases were already in the hands of English. Among those listed in the June 1699 report were John Yarbrough “for himselfe and the children and devisees of Richard Yarbrough”, Richard Yarbrough, Henry Isbell , and nine individuals who had purchased a total of 3,920 acres from Richard Yarbrough. Should these tracts revert to the Crown, the Indians would have the first right to them. Among these individuals was Andrew McAllister whose land patent in 1701 was next to “... old Richard Yarborough's whole tract leased of the Pamunkey Indians.”

The Yarbroughs were originally parishioners of St. Johns' Parish that ran the 60-mile length of King William County. After 1721 the upper 30 miles became part of St.

Margaret's Parish. The upper portion of King William County became part of Caroline County in 1728 and St. Margaret's spanned both counties. Absent records of King William County, we can never know for certain who all Richard's children were. We know John and Richard were sons and we presume the other men in the next generation in that county 'William, Charles, and Edward' were his sons. In Amelia County, where William Yarbrough settled, where two other men named Yarbrough, undoubtedly connected with William. We have placed them as his brothers, sons of Richard Yarbrough. Together, Henry Yarbrough and Thomas Yarbrough secured a patent to 800 acres in Amelia County on the south side of the Nottoway River 10 June 1740 the same day William got his patent in Amelia County. Henry and Thomas evidently split the patent in half. Both Thomas and Henry witnessed the will of Moses Yarbrough . With James Jeter, husband of Priscilla Yarbrough , they witnessed the will of Matthew Wallis.

While the foregoing offers considerable insight of the life and times of Old Richard Yarborough, he remains an enigmatic ancestor. While he was unquestionably well situated in early Virginia history, the lasting evidence of his life and affairs remains conjectural.



Yarborough Cemetery, Belize City

The Old Yarborough Cemetery, was given to the Government by a Bayman of that name (James Dundas Yarborough), on the condition that it should be set apart as a place of burial. This was done at a public meeting of the inhabitants, on 25 July 1787, and its entire management and control were placed in the hands of cemetery trustees. The ground was consecrated by the Bishop of Jamaica in 1826. For nearly one hundred years, or until 1877, when the management of public cemeteries was transferred to the Government, this was the only public cemetery in Belize; but in



that year, owing to the increase of the population, and to the fact that the Old Cemetery was nearly full, the New Cemetery was formed a little to the south of the old one, the latter being then closed. The land, however, in the New Cemetery proved so low that it could not be dug to any depth, and the Government, at the end of 1881, closed the New Cemetery, and in 1882 opened the Vaults, a super-terrene structure, which had been erected in the previous year on the site known as Queen Charlotte's Town."



Another Yarbrough House

The diminutive Yarbrough House, surrounded by a white picket fence, sits in the heart of Vinings Village at the intersection of Paces Ferry and Paces Mill roads.

Built in 1880 by Samuel Yarbrough for his wife Ella Pace Yarbrough, granddaughter of early Vinings settler Hardy Pace, the house remained in the Pace family for more than a century.

In the mid-1900s, it was used as the Paces Tea House, a lunch and refreshment spot for those spending the day at the many antique shops in Vinings. In the late 1970s, Pace descendant (and VHPS founder) Ruth Carter Vanneman purchased the house and leased it for use as a restaurant, the Old Vinings Inn. The front and side porches were enclosed and a kitchen was added to the original two-room structure.



The Yarbrough House, Vinings, Georgia

When Vanneman died in 1992, the restaurant moved across the street and the fate of the building became uncertain. Piedmont Hospital purchased the property in order to build a clinic, and then generously donated the house to the newly-organized VHPS.

After extensive renovations (including removing the 1970s additions), Yarbrough House was returned to its near-original state

designated as a Cobb County Historic Landmark.

Biography of Nancy Ward³

By David Hampton

One of the joys(?) of genealogy is locating an elusive ancestor. In the Yarborough extended families there are numerous “Uncle Georges”, most of whom have entertaining tales of their foibles and antics. I was a grown man by several decades before I realized that the Uncle George in any of my father’s stories was not necessarily his Uncle George. Rather, Uncle George could have been his Uncle George, his great-uncle, his great-great-uncle, or any other George Yarborough about whom the reference was made.

His Uncle George lived about 30 miles from us. This account relates to his great-uncle George, who married a fourth grand-daughter of Nancy Ward. – Leonard Yarbrough



When she died "a light rose from her body, fluttered around the room like a bird, left through an open door and disappeared toward Chota. This was watched by those in attendance who were startled at this apparition." This statement made by her great-grandson, John Walker "Jack"

Hildebrand (1818-1910) in 1908, is part of the legend of Nancy Ward, a full-blood Native American who rose to prominence in the tribe during war with the Creeks and whose assistance to settlers in Tennessee made her a popular figure.

Dr. Emmet Starr (1870-1930), Cherokee physician, descended from Nancy Ward through both his father and mother, did a study of her life and descendants in the 1890's and early 1900's. Dr. Starr felt that her name was originally "Na-na" or "No-na" and figured her year of birth as 1695. This date was supposed to have been computed from the knowledge that she was twelve years old when William Penn made a treaty, probably with the Delaware tribe; however the exact treaty referred to is not known. We now believe that 1738 is more nearly correct year. Muriel Wright, in Springplace, Moravian Mission, Cherokee Nation, gives her name as "Nanye'hi." In any case it is not difficult to anglicize either of these to Nancy. She was born at Chota, a capital of the Cherokee Nation since 1730,

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now in Monroe County, Tennessee. She was a member of the Wolf Clan and came from an important family in Cherokee politics. Her mother's adopted brother was Attacullaculla (also called "Little Carpenter"), who visited London in 1730 as a young man. Today, Nancy's mother is usually called "Tame Doe," but this name surely came from the fictional account of Nancy's life written by E. Sterling King in 1895, entitled *The Wild Rose of the Cherokee*, or, Nancy Ward, the Pocahontas of the West; no historical sources giving this name are known. According to Jack Hilderbrand, Nancy's father was a member of the Delaware tribe, historically related to the Cherokee; it is possible he may have been related to the famous Delaware Chief Taminand.

About 1751, Nancy married a Cherokee warrior named "Tsu-la" or Kingfisher. While nothing is known about his family, he was a member of the Deer Clan, according to Emmet Starr, and likely held the potential for a high position in Cherokee politics.

Nancy first became prominent in Cherokee affairs about 1755 during a battle with the Muskogee (Creek) Indians. The Cherokee and the Muskogee had waged a heredity war for possession of what is now northern Georgia for many years. According to James Mooney, the battle of Taliwa was fought at a spot on Mountain Creek or Longswamp Creek, which enters the Etowah River near present-day Ball Ground, Georgia, in Cherokee County. James Wafford is supposed to have heard the story from the aged trader Bryan Ward about 1815, who is said to have witnessed the battle. Five hundred Cherokee warriors and about twice that number of Muskogee were engaged. The Cherokee, at first, fell back,

but rallied and drove the Muskogee from their cover. The defeat was so great that the Creeks left the upper portion of Georgia and the adjacent part of Alabama and never returned.

According to Dr. Starr, Nancy had accompanied Kingfisher to the battle, lying behind a log in order to chew his bullets so that the resulting jagged edges might create more damage. Kingfisher was killed, and Nancy picked up his rifle and continued the fight. For her valor, she was awarded some of the spoils of war, including captured slaves. Dr. Starr states that she thus became the first slaveholder among the Cherokee, but this seems doubtful. In addition, Nancy was awarded the title of "War Woman." Sometime later, just

when is not known, she was given a title which Dr. Starr calls "Ghi-ga-u" and has been translated as "Beloved Woman," sometimes as "Most Honored Woman." Holders of this title had a right to speak and vote at Cherokee Councils and had supreme pardoning power; both rights Nancy used through most of the remainder of her life.

A few years after Kingfisher's death, Nancy married again to the trader, Bryan Ward. Dr. Starr says that he came from Ireland, had been married previously and was the father of a son John "Jack" Ward who came into the Cherokee country and became the ancestor of a large family. Dr. Starr also indicated that Bryan died within a few years of his marriage to Nancy. Current research calls these beliefs into question. It appears probable that this is the same Bryan Ward who died about 1815 in Franklin County, Georgia. Other research is also calling into question whether Bryan was born in Ireland, but rather may have come from a family of Wards who had been in

Virginia for many generations. Nancy and Bryan were the parents of one daughter, Betsy, who was the Cherokee wife of General Joseph Martin of Virginia while he lived with the tribe.

During the 1760's many white settlers from the Carolinas, Virginia and Georgia began to move into the East Tennessee region along the Watauga River basin and in 1772 a group of these settlers met with Nancy's uncle, Chief Attakullakulla, in order to work out details of a lease and friendship pact. The agreement was a ten-year permit for which the Cherokee received the equivalent of a thousand dollars of trading goods and the promise not to encroach further on the Cherokee Overmountain country. There were several instances of skirmishes between the Cherokee and the white settlers over the next few years including one time in 1774 when a cousin of Chief Ostenaco was murdered. The whites, afraid of retaliation, asked James Robertson to serve as peacemaker, and he made a journey to Chota in order to apologize to the Cherokee and promise punishment for the murderer. It is thought that Robertson may have visited Nancy Ward during this trip. He later described Nancy as "queenly and commanding" and noted that her home was furnished in "barbaric splendor as befitted her rank in the nation."

During the next two years many white settlers moved into the Cherokee domain and some of the younger Cherokee leaders, including Attakullakulla's son, Dragging Canoe, began to discuss options of removing them by force. War parties were convened in July, 1776. Nancy sent four white traders, led by Isaac Thomas, to warn the Overmountain settlements. Why Nancy would warn white settlers against her own people is conjecture, but she is supposed to have later said "the

white men are our brothers. The same house shelters us and the same sky covers us all."

In July, 1776, Cherokee warriors were divided into three groups led by Dragging Canoe, The Raven of Chota, and Old Abram; they attacked white settlements. The group led by Old Abram captured two whites, Samuel Moore and Mrs. William (Lydia Russell) Bean. Moore was later burned at the stake, and Mrs. Bean was taken to a town called Toque, near Chota, where she was to have suffered the same fate. However, Nancy appeared after she had been bound and demanded that Mrs. Bean be freed. She told the warriors, "it revolts my soul that Cherokee warriors would stoop so low as to torture a squaw. No woman shall be tortured or burned at the stake while I am 'Ghi-ga-u'." Mrs. Bean was taken to Nancy's home in Chota where she taught Nancy and members of her family how to make butter and cheese. Later Nancy sent Lydia Bean back to her family accompanied by Nancy's brother, Longfellow, and her son, Fivekiller. It has been indicated that John Bean, who married Nancy's great granddaughter, Ruth Starr, was a grandson of Lydia and William Bean, but no proof has been found.

The Cherokee raid on the white settlements was unsuccessful, and there followed several years of disagreements among different factions of the tribe on how to deal with the whites. In 1785 at Hopewell, South Carolina, the new U. S. government and the Cherokee agreed to a treaty the last clause of which stated: "Any settler who fails to remove within six months from the land guaranteed to the Indians shall forfeit the protection of the United States, and the Cherokee may punish him or not as they please." At the signing, Nancy Ward spoke: "I am glad there is now peace, I take you by

the hand in real friendship. I have a pipe and a little tobacco to give the commissioners to smoke in friendship. I look on you and the red people as my children. Your having determined on peace is most pleasant to me for I have seen much trouble during the late war. I am old, but I hope yet to bear children who will grow up and people our Nation, as we are now under the protection of Congress and shall have no more disturbance. The talk I have given you is from the young warriors I have raised in my town, as well as myself. They rejoice that we have peace, and hope the chain of friendship will never more be broken."

Nancy delivered two strings of wampum, a pipe and some tobacco to the white commissioners.

During the 1790s a glimpse of Nancy Ward comes from William Martin, white son of General Joseph Martin whose Cherokee wife was Nancy's daughter, Betsy:

"When I lived in South Carolina (1791-1798) Bryant Ward, then old, sensible and intelligent, lived as my neighbor--was settled and had a family. He had, in early life, been a trader among the Cherokee. He took a wife there, the notorious Nancy Ward...she was, as I think, one of the most superior women I ever saw. Bryant Ward and his family recognized her, for I have frequently seen her there, we then living not far from the Cherokee settlements."

There is a probable mention of Nancy in the Diary of the Missionaries to Springplace with the date 5 July 1807:

"Gambold went to see the ailing Mrs. Vann. While there three old Indian women came to see her. They were from Ostenali and

were very friendly and talkative. One of them, who had been a widow for 50 years, was 100 years of age. They said that they loved the whites and when Col. Meigs came to Ostenali he stayed with the aged widow. Mrs. Vann told them why we were here as she grasped and clenched Sr. Gambold's hand and held it tightly. She told them that she loved us very much. The aged woman, named Chicouehla, claimed that she had in her youth gone to war against hostile Indians and suffered several severe wounds. Vann's wives verified this and said that she was highly respected and loved by browns and whites alike. Her left arm was covered with figures, which she said was the custom in her youth...According to Chicouehla's promise, she returned the next day and attended the entire session of school, and the children did the best to interpret for her."

In 1817 Nancy and several other Cherokee women including her daughter, Katy Harlan, presented a memorial to the Cherokee delegates requesting that this be the final cession of Cherokee lands to the U. S. As a result of that treaty, Nancy requested a life reservation of 640 acres of land in part of the ceded territory, but according to testimony given later by her heirs, she became afraid to live there and returned to the Cherokee Nation.

In 1819 the Cherokee Nation enacted a Constitution, and Nancy, who had a voice and vote at Cherokee councils, sent her walkingstick and her vote in favor of ratification, she being too old and feeble to attend in person. She thereby relinquished any power she had as "Ghi-ga-u" since there was no constitutional authority for that office.

In her last years Nancy operated an inn at the Womankiller Ford of the Ocoee River in present-day Polk County, Tennessee, near Benton. It was there that she died, in spring of 1824 according to Emmet Starr, but other sources list the year as 1822. She was buried on a small hill nearby, and rests between her brother, Longfellow, and her son, Fivekiller. It is likely that the location was preserved by

Jack Hilderbrand, who lived in the area after the Cherokee removal. Her grave was marked by the Nancy Ward Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution in 1924 and is preserved today by the State of Tennessee. In 1994 her descendants organized to form The Association of the Descendants of Nancy Ward.



Three Yarborough Myths⁴

Ralph Webster Yarborough

Back in west Texas where I grew up, before WWI we had a town of 500 and a company of 20 Confederate veterans. Some of them had fled to get away from the old south, and we had one who had charged with Pickett's brigade at Gettysburg. So, it was a dream world for a boy to hear their stories. Other people had heard them before and didn't want to listen, but I would go up to our little town and ask them for their experiences. When they found someone who liked history, they would talk. When you pulled out that Confederate flag back there in Chandler, Henderson County (Texas), we thought that was the greatest flag of any national back where I was growing up as a boy. There has been a little change in this country since then, but that was the climate back then and some of you might have lived in parts of the country where that was still the climate.

Whether you be a Yarbrough by name or a Yarbrough by birth or a Yarbrough by adoption or a Yarbrough by marriage, or whatever way you got the Yarbrough name, and whatever spelling it is - there are many different spellings, Yeredeburg, Yarborough, Yeregurg and so forth - All Yarbroughs have a natural trait. I have never run into a Yarbrough family anywhere that wasn't very proud of this name. That is one common trait that you find among members of the Yarbrough family. It pulls us all together, that common pride we have in the name, whether we are born with that name .. or it is acquired by marriage or otherwise .. and it was always stressed to me as I was growing up that this was a great family, an important name and that we should never do anything in life that would bring discredit to the Yarbrough name. That Is a common thread - "cord of memory" as Abraham Lincoln called it - that mystic cord of memory that

⁴ Excerpt from a talk given by the late former US Senator from Texas, Ralph W. Yarborough, at the Sixth Annual National Yarbrough Conference, Memphis, Tennessee, July 30, 1988. Recorded by Arlene Weidinger; transcribed and edited for the YFQ by Karen Mazock. Published in the YFQ ,Vol 1, Nr 4, pp 14 - 16, June 1992. Minor corrections to grammar and parsing made during the transcription to this format. Senator Yarborough was a dedicated family authority and proud of all things associated with the Yarborough name.

reaches back in time and binds us all together.

As I grew up, my father told us about this great family. I went to the public schools and read Virginia's history and Texas history and United States history, medieval history and ancient history and I couldn't find any Yarbrough named anywhere in any of those histories. So, I got to wondering what made us such a great family and I kept bugging my father about it over the years and he said, "Well, son, we are descended from a great judge in England."

I later bought a book of all the judges of England from 1066 down through about the time I was in law school at the University of Texas, about 1910, and no Yarbrough judge was listed in there. So, I thought that this was just a myth, a family myth. Most families have myths, you know, about how great they are.

The second myth ... I kept asking when the Yarbroughs came to America and how. My father said that seven brothers migrated to this country from the old country and each had families, that we are most of us descended from those seven brothers' migration.

Then the third thing I asked my father about was the Yarbrough name. He had said that the Yarbrough name was about to play out. I thought he was talking about the United States. He said that several times a Yarbrough woman married a man who agreed to assume the Yarbrough name. That was a condition of him marrying the woman

who had a ranch or a farm. [He said] it wasn't hard to find a husband under those conditions who would assume the Yarbrough name. I was told the name was perpetuated that way.

Well, as I grew up and went to the University of Texas Law School, I would run into other Yarbroughs there and they would say "Which one of the seven brothers are you descended from?" I was still thinking about what my father told me about the seven brothers coming from the old country - meaning England, I thought.

I found out that it was a true story of migration, but my father was a little confused as to what the "old country" was. Finally I found out that the "old country was Virginia. Those seven brothers migrated in the middle 1700's and not all at one time, from Virginia into North Carolina. The reasons for the sizable migrations from Virginia, as I know them from history, were because they [the settlers] had cultivated that tobacco there for about 100 years and worn out a lot of land. There was much new land in North Carolina; it was cheap land and they could sell worn out land in Virginia for much more than they could buy new land for in North Carolina. North Carolina was one of the only three colonies at the time of the revolution that had religious freedom. In the other ten colonies the churches were tied to the state and you had to pay taxes to support the churches. That was another thing that led to migration. So, they moved to North Carolina, and that is where many of us here from different branches are descended from. That myth of the seven brothers was not a myth⁵. It was a

⁵ It is now believed that there were three brothers and four sons who migrated. Which were the fathers and which the sons is a matter of conjecture.

true migration. The only difficulty was [determining] the place of migration.

The first myth about the great judge was a little bit harder to answer. We found out about it later when I was studying some books about Chaucer and where he got his financial support. There books were published by Oxford and the University of Texas Press simultaneously in the early 1960's and I found from them where the "great Judge Yarbrough" legend came from.

John of Gaunt was the son of a king and the father of a king. When the succession died in England, a nephew became king, even if he were just a child. It was the custom in England that when that happened, the child was strangled and an adult in the line took the kingship. But, John of Gaunt did a very strange thing. When the king died and a baby was next in line for the kingship, John of Gaunt swore a fealty to that baby ...that the baby was entitled to the kingship. John of Gaunt would not kill him. The baby was made king. As a result, John of Gaunt had great privileges from the crown from then on.

John of Gaunt - they called him that because he was born at Ghent, Belgium - through his marriage to his cousin Blanche, daughter of Henry of Lancaster, became Duke of Lancaster in 1362. After the death of Blanche, John of Gaunt married Constance, daughter of Peter the Cruel of Castile. Spain, at that time, was divided into two kingdoms, Castile and Leon. When Constance's father died, John of Gaunt went to Castile to try to put his wife on the throne. She was entitled to it through inheritance. But the Spanish would have none of it because if Constance was Queen, then John of Gaunt would be King. The Spanish were not willing to have an English king. John of Gaunt fought three

unsuccessful campaigns in Spain trying to attain the crown.

This is where our ancestor comes in. John Yarbrough held office under John of Gaunt. He was Keeper of the Royal Seal and Keeper of the Royal Wardrobe. If a king signed a document and it did not contain the royal seal, it was not considered a royal document. The Keeper of the Royal Seal had custody of the seal and he was the only man who could put that royal seal on the king's commission. It was a very [high]trust position. The Keeper of the Royal Seal had to know who to read and write - and not many people could in those days. John Yarbrough wrote all of the papers for John of Gaunt and he used the Royal Seal.

As for the Royal Wardrobe - if they had a big function (like a wedding), all the kinfolks were expected to come in appropriate robes. The only person who had enough robes to outfit all the kinfolks was the Duke or the King himself. So, the Keeper of the Royal Wardrobe would issue out these fine robes to the kinfolks to be worn for the wedding and then the wardrobe was turned back in after the affair was over.

When they were researching Chaucer's history and trying to figure out where he got his financial backing, the only financial records they found were vouchers payable to Chaucer, signed by John Yarbrough on behalf of the "Duke of Lancaster and King of Castile".

Because his wife was entitled to the throne in Spain, and because the king of England owed his life to John of Gaunt, John of Gaunt had certain privileges. He traveled all over England with a royal retinue almost like he was the king. Chaucer's wife, Philippa, was

the sister-in-law of John of Gaunt. John of Gaunt was Chaucer's patron. He appointed Chaucer a notary public and then made him Collector of the Customs of the Port of London, a very prestigious and high-paying job at that time. Having a patron like John of Gaunt gave Chaucer the time to write the *Canterbury Tales*.

Chaucer is given credit by English scholars and historians as being responsible for English being the language of England rather than French. During Chaucer's time, the court and society used French; French in the law court and French as the written language. Chaucer wrote in the vernacular at the time when French was still generally considered the proper language of literature. Chaucer used the language spoken by descendants of the Saxon's (who were conquered by William the Conqueror in 1066). It was mixed in with a smattering of Latin and a smattering of French - we could almost call it "Slanguish" because it is such a mixture of languages. Chaucer wrote in this "slangulsh" and scholars give Chaucer the credit for the fact that we, as English descendants, speak English instead of French today.

The man signing the pay warrants at the direction of John the Gaunt was John Yarbrough. This man, John Yarbrough, had what we would call quasi-judicial duties - passing on the things ordered by John of Gaunt.

We come to the third myth now - that of men marrying a Yarbrough woman and

taking the Yarbrough name. That was true. It happened, but It wasn't in America - it was in England. It wasn't before our ancestors came over from England, it was In the 1800's. In 1852 Nicholas Edmund Yarbrough died - the last male in the Yorkshire line. (Most of the Yarbroughs in America came from the Yorkshire or Lincolnshire lines.) The line then went over to the women in the family. This was Joyce Graham Severlyhouse. Her husband assumed the Yarbrough name, keeping it alive. He died in 1856 without a male heir, so the title went over to his sister, Alicia Maria. She married George John Lloyd. He dropped the Lloyd name and assumed the Yarbrough name. John Lloyd, born 1811, leaving two daughters. In 1862, the eldest, Mary Elizabeth Yarbrough, married George William Bateson who, on the death of his brother, became Lord Deremore. That was Miss Bateson de Yarbrough who died in 1884. The present Lord Deremore is still the head Yarbrough⁶. He is elderly, has two spinster daughters and he says to me that they will probably not marry, that there will be no more heirs and, when they pass away, that will end the line of Yarbroughs in England from which most of the Yarbroughs in America descend.

Ask a real historian, he will tell your that much of oral history handed down from hundreds of years proves to be based on fact. The facts may be somewhat distorted in the telling and retelling over the years, but if you dig long enough, you can sometimes uncover the facts.

⁶ Lord Deramore died in 2006, leaving the title vacant.

What We Are Doing...

Joe Yarbrough. Come May 22, Joe Yarbrough will have more free time to go out on a fishing boat with a couple of beers and drift as far away from government offices as he likes. Until then, though, the former city manager of South Daytona, who actually retired more than a month ago after three decades on the job, has to see something through that he started nearly five years ago.



When the ballots are mailed out next week for a special election on a half-cent sales tax that would raise money for road and water infrastructure projects throughout Volusia County, the final countdown on Yarbrough's government service will begin — and the results of the May 21 tally will determine if his final send-off includes a victory lap.

Yarbrough, 67, is already viewed as a role model to other city managers who came on after he arrived. And he's beloved by the residents who appreciate his folksy charm and attention to public service, including one who tells of the time the manager rushed to his house to look after a child who had accidentally eaten glass.

After a more than 40-year career in the public sector, Yarbrough's profile has never been higher. It was he who over the past five years relentlessly lobbied and cajoled leaders at Volusia's 16 cities to unite behind the sales tax push, which he has joked more than once may be the first time they've agreed on anything. But no matter the outcome of the tax, Yarbrough has no intention of leaving his home in South Daytona, where he lives with his wife, Bobbie, and raised a son, Joey. He is currently a doctor working a residency in Shreveport, Louisiana. And at 27, he's about the age his father was when he took his first city manager gig.

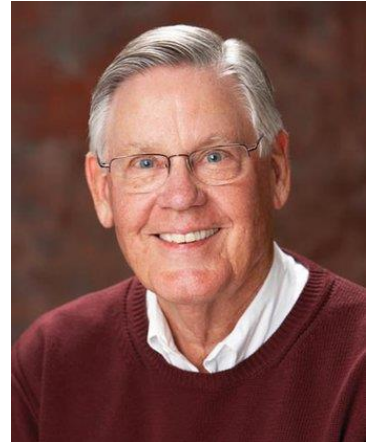
Yarbrough, a University of Tennessee alum, started in the mountain tourist town of Gatlinburg — when Jimmy Carter was in the White House. Then one of the youngest city managers in the country, Yarbrough would often struggle to fall asleep, worried that he'd messed up somehow or let down his residents, employees. While his sleep got better through the years, he still encountered restless nights from time to time even after he came to South Daytona in late 1987 and became one of the longest-serving managers in Florida.

"It's probably good that I've been that way," Yarbrough said from his home on a recent Friday afternoon. "It got a little bit better, but I never really got rid of that, I don't think. It kept me from getting lackadaisical. I don't want to disappoint those who hired me, and I certainly didn't want to disappoint the community." Even post-retirement, he expects that insomnia to return maybe to an even greater degree in the coming weeks as he anxiously awaits the sales tax

verdict. Unlike his managerial decisions and policies, this is completely out of his hands. He's done all he can do.



Dick Yarbrough. When Dick Yarbrough published his 1,000th syndicated column which appears in 35 newspapers across Georgia, there was a party. The guest list included Junior E. Lee, general manager of the Yarbrough Worldwide Media and Pest Control Company from Greater Garfield, Georgia, and Skeeter Skates of Skeeter Skates Plow Repair and Stump Removal of Ryo, Georgia. Jack and Jill the mules sent regrets. They are stranded in either Canada or Montana.



Yarbrough is known for his wacky sense of humor, his zany characters and his propensity to go after targets of any political persuasion. Sitting in the office of his Vinings home, Yarbrough said he thinks his apolitical zingers are part of the reason people keep reading. "I'm not predictable," he said. "I'm not conservative, I'm not liberal. I write about whatever I want to write about, and that, I think, has drawn a lot of people to the column. ... You've got some people, every week, they're going to bash Trump. Some people, every week, they're going to praise Trump. You've got people, you just know what they're going to do. ... I'm the only person you'll probably ever know who has been called, within a period of about a month, an Obama bedwetting liberal and a racist redneck."

Yarbrough said he was accused of wetting beds because he suggested in a column that a statue in the Capitol of Alexander Stephens, vice president of the Confederacy, be replaced with another Georgian, musician Ray Charles. He earned the racist redneck moniker after going after NFL player and activist Colin Kaepernick. "I love it," he said with a big laugh. "If I got called a racist every week, there's something wrong with me. If I got called a bedwetting liberal all the time, there's something wrong with me. But when I get called both, that's something right. Sometimes I can hear them sputtering through the email, they're so mad at me."

Yarbrough said his targets are "the humor-impaired," and gave the example of state Rep. Ron Stephens, R-Savannah. In 2013, Yarbrough wrote a column skewering Stephens for taking a junket to Turkey and Azerbaijan.

"I got a call the next day, he said 'Dick.' I said 'Yes, sir.' He said 'Ron Stephens.' I said 'Yes, sir.' He said, 'Funniest damn column I've ever read in my life.' ... I told him at the end of the conversation that's the last time I write about you because you have a sense of humor. I crossed him off the list. Fortunately, there's enough people out there that don't have a sense of humor."

Yarbrough came to the life of a humorist after spending a full career in the business world, where he retired as vice president of BellSouth in 1993 after 40 years. He went on to join the Atlanta Committee for the Olympic games, serving as managing director.

Two years after the Olympics, Yarbrough got a call from the Atlanta Business Chronicle asking him to write a column about his thoughts on the games. Yarbrough was reluctant at first, but eventually decided to write it.

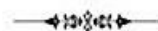
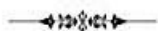
“I got it all out of my system,” he said with a laugh. “I blistered the city government, the business community and the media. I said Atlanta wasn’t even the next great city, Charlotte took that title along with our banks. And it got a tremendous response. ... The Business Chronicle asked if I’d write another one. I told my wife, who wanted me to retire, I’ll write another one, and that will be it. And then I’ll write one every three weeks. And then I’ll write one every week.”

More than 20 years later, Yarbrough is still at his laptop typing away. He said he’s blessed to have found a second career that is so fulfilling, especially after his first career did not quite lend itself to creativity.

“It was very structured, and you had lawyers looking over everything you said,” he said.

Often, Yarbrough says what’s on his mind through the mouths of characters he has cooked up. His favorite is Junior E. Lee. “I have him patterned after a real person — I can’t tell you who he is — who thinks he knows everything about everything.”

Looking back, Yarbrough said he is proud of his accomplishments in the business world, but he sometimes thinks he may have been happier starting out as a writer. “I probably would have started out doing this, now that I know how much fun it is for me,” he said.

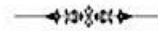
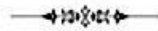
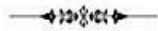


Leonard Yarbrough. Dr. Leonard Yarbrough provided the Blount County, Alabama, Memorial Museum with Vol. 135 of 164 of The Blandford Series of Yarbrough Genealogical Records, issued by the Yarbrough National Genealogical & Historical Association Inc. – as well as other documented information about his family’s genealogy and heritage.

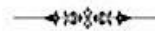
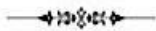
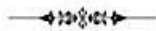
Yarbrough is a retired NASA operations research analyst, Army officer and educator, and has spent many years as an editor for the Yarbrough Family Quarterly. Meeting with the museum’s curator Amy Rhudy, gave Yarbrough the feeling that he could help out the museum while also adding structure to his life in his later years.



Yarbrough, stresses the importance of genealogy records for future generations, says in Vol. 135 of The Blandford Series, “Whether we wish to admit it or not, we are the future of our ancestors, as our descendants are our future. We owe our descendants our dreams and bequeath to them the legacy of our collective accomplishments – nothing more and nothing less.”



Jeffrey A. Yarbrough. Jeffrey A. Yarbrough is an American Actor born in Cleveland, Ohio. While attending Miami University (OH) and pursuing a degree in Aeronautics he was challenged by two friends to take an intro acting class. He not only accepted the challenge but also embraced the class as well as the whole acting journey. In 1996, Jeffrey moved to Los Angeles and was immediately cast for the role of Kevin Bass, a recurring role on NBC's Hangtime. During this time he continued to study classical theater under the instruction of Robert and Peter Ellenstein at the Los Angeles Repertory Theater Company. He enjoys taking on challenging versatile roles such as Puck in A Midsummer's Night Dream and Prince Morocco in The Merchant Of Venice. After making continued strides he was cast in two McDonald's commercials and a Discovery Card commercial in 1998 and a Tanqueray Gin commercial in 2003. Jeffrey also had guest roles in the TV shows: The Power Rangers Turbo, The Smart Guy, In The House in 1998 as well as a special appearance in the movie Battle Night: Krump Wars in 2005. After taking some time away from acting Jeffrey opened his own Martial Arts Dojo called The Katana Martial Arts Fitness Center. It was here were he developed and taught his own style of Martial Arts called Street Science Self-Defense. In 2015 Jeffrey dove back into acting and was soon cast in After The Blast as the press secretary (Vince). This movie was directed by Sam Saldivar. He was also cast in The Ghetto in 2015 as the gang member instigator (Roy). This movie was directed by Manzie Jones and Kevin Clark. A Doritos commercial followed in 2016. Finally in 2016 Jeffrey was able to bring his Martial Arts to the screen as Kamar , the villainous thug, in the short film called Take It and this was directed by Mark Newton. This was followed by a role of a drug enforcer in the movie Too Far Gone which was also directed by Mark Newton in 2017. Lastly, Jeffrey is also the producer, director, actor and choreographer in a play he wrote called Between Heaven And Earth. Jeffrey also enjoys competing in Open Karate tournaments, running marathons, riding horses and flying single engine airplanes.



Wendall Yarbrough . Wendell Yarbrough, MD, MMHC, has been named Chair of the Department of Otolaryngology/Head and Neck Surgery, effective September 17, 2018. Harold C. Pillsbury, MD, Thomas J. Dark Distinguished Professor of Otolaryngology/Head and Neck Surgery, announced last year that he would step down from his position as Chair after 17 years in the role.



Yarbrough currently serves as Section Chief of Otolaryngology, Department of Surgery, Yale University School of Medicine, Director of the Head & Neck Disease Center at Smilow Cancer Hospital, and Co-Director of the Virus and Other Infection-Associated Cancers (VOIC) Program in the Yale Cancer Center.

“I am so excited to come back to UNC where I have many fond memories,” Yarbrough said. “I am also excited by the great opportunity to lead the Department of Otolaryngology/Head and Neck Surgery and look forward to collaborating with many great researchers in the School of Medicine and in the Lineberger Cancer Center.”

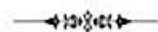
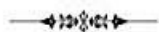
Yarbrough first came to the University of North Carolina as a Morehead Scholar. He went on to complete his medical school, residency, and fellowship training at UNC before joining the faculty as an associate professor with dual appointments in the departments of Otolaryngology/Head and Neck Surgery and Genetics and Molecular Biology. During his time at UNC, he was awarded a Jefferson Pilot Fellowship in Academic Medicine.

Yarbrough left UNC in 2003 to join the faculty at Vanderbilt University, eventually rising to the position of Barry and Amy Baker Chair in Laryngeal, Head and Neck Research. He has served in his current roles at Yale since 2012.

“Dr. Yarbrough brings a wealth of clinical expertise and a proven track record of leadership with him to this position and we are excited to welcome him back to Chapel Hill,” said Wesley Burks, MD, Executive Dean of the UNC School of Medicine. “I would also like to thank Dr. Pillsbury for his years of leadership and tireless work creating a nationally recognized department of Otolaryngology.”

Yarbrough is an international authority on head and neck cancer, with particular expertise in HPV-associated malignancies. He has served on the Head and Neck Steering Committee of the NIH’s National Clinical Trials Network, delivered numerous lectures both domestically and abroad, and serves as Editor of the journals *Cancers of the Head and Neck*, and *Laryngoscope Investigative Otolaryngology*.

His research lab focuses on identifying novel targets for therapy in head and neck as well as salivary cancers. The goal of his translational work is to improve outcomes for patients with head & neck and salivary cancers through the development of new therapies. He has recently focused on molecular defects in HPV-associated head and neck cancer as a target for therapeutics. Recently, work from Dr. Yarbrough's lab has led initiation of two clinical trials testing novel agents for treatment of this cancer. "Seeing our research translated into trials to advance care for patients is such a thrill and is the ultimate goal of our research," said Dr. Yarbrough.



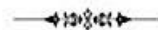
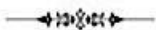
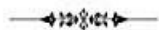
Roy Yarbrough. A Tabor City resident, Dr. Roy Yarbrough, served as one of the three starters at last weekend's NCHSAA Track and Field championships in Greensboro. Dr. Yarbrough is a United States Track and Field Association-Master level official. Dr. Yarbrough has over 45 years as a Track and Field official. In addition to his work in track, last fall Dr. Yarbrough returned to the pitch as a soccer official after a 10-year hiatus. His goal in returning was to help younger colleagues in the art of being a fair and competent official.



Dr. Yarbrough has officiated at the high school, collegiate and professional levels during his 35-year career, refereeing over 4,000 matches. He worked in the NASL for five years, working the NASL Soccer Bowls in 1980 & 1981. He has officiated over 20 NCAA/NAIA National Championship playoff games, and five state championship games in the states of Illinois, Wisconsin, Alaska, New York, and Virginia. Dr. Yarbrough was inducted into the National Intercollegiate Soccer Officials Association Hall of Fame in 1990 for his work as the NISOA Physical Performance Director from 1980-2000.

In addition to his accomplishments as an official, Dr. Yarbrough was a 1970 AAU-All American in the sport of race walking and was sanctioned to compete on the US Olympic team.

Dr. Yarbrough retired from the Coast Guard after 26 years of service, holding the rank of Lieutenant Commander. He earned his doctoral degree from UNC-Greensboro and taught Sports Management and Physical Education for nearly 40 years.



Tony Yarbrough Yarber, 36, has been Jackson's Ward 6 councilman since 2009 and is in the final days of a race to fill the remainder of Mayor Chokwe Lumumba's term, pitted against the late mayor's son Chokwe Antar Lumumba in the runoff to the April 8 special election.

Yarber first came to politics in the very room in which he was sitting earlier this week, his tall and lanky frame — 20 pounds lighter since the mayor's death, from emotional wear and tear, he said — folding easily in the chair at the conference table at his campaign headquarters.

In 2009, assisting Marshand Crisler's mayoral campaign, the conversation dovetailed toward a candidate for Ward 6 councilman. "I ended up getting tapped." He talked to his wife and struggled with the decision till 3 a.m.

"Finally, I said, 'God, if this is something you want me to do ... I need some rest.' " He awoke at 6 a.m., refreshed and at peace. "I called Pastor Barron Banks and said, 'I'm in.' " A former educator and school principal, Yarber has been married to his wife, Rosalind, for 12 years. He's the father of Carmen, 19, Cameron, 11, and Toni Michelle, 8.

Yarber's nondenominational Relevant Empowerment Church, started in July 2008, averages about 300 at Sunday worship. His mother, Deloris Yarber, said that before Tony was born "it had been prophesied that he would be filled with the spirit." After prior miscarriages and other trouble, she figured this pregnancy would come to the same end. Seven months in, she feared the grief that'd follow a loss that close to term. A minister praying for her called her unborn child "a miracle baby" and talked about all the goodness in him. "I thought he was crazy," she said.

Among Yarber's life-defining moments, he counts his eldest sister's and her son's deaths from complications with HIV when he was 13. He was 21 when his father died. "He was a hard-, *hard-working* man," whose often 12-hour work days didn't keep him from his son's football games or track meets. "I always had advice about everything ... I didn't realize how valuable my daddy was until we didn't have him anymore. "That grew me up a lot," Yarber said.

Both parents were self-made, he said — his father from a family of 12 and his mom from a family of 9. "They would have to alternate going to school sometimes because they had to share clothes, share shoes." Both sacrificed years of school to take care of family. Yarber learned, "No one owes me anything, but I owe it to myself to give everything that I have.

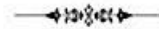
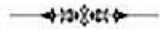
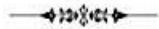
Yarber has a black belt in ninjitsu and is a Taekwondo instructor. Martial arts brought him discipline, detail, articulation. The last resort, he said, is fighting.



Yarber's the author of "Man Tips: What She Wants You to Know." He and his wife are working on a book, "10 Conversations You Must Have Before You Get Married." And he's at work on one, "The David in Me." "I am not an ambitious man at all," Yarber said. "If I could pick a different life, it would include preaching, hunting and fishing. That's it."

Leadership, he said, started by default. He was in an "extreme minority" from school in Jackson through college at the University of Southern Mississippi. His first time at a majority African-American school was in graduate school at Jackson State University. Being good at sports — martial arts since age 5, football and track — put him out front. "Coaches always put their talent to the front of the line. My daddy sometimes would call me 'a little coach' because I'd be on the field, barking orders."

Freshman year at USM, the African American Students Organization's choir went to Forrest County Agricultural High School to sing. The event's speaker was a no-show; Yarber was nominated to fill in. An entire gym of high school kids, on their feet and clapping after his motivational speech, was his affirmation. LaVerne Gentry, coordinator for the Leadership Preparation Program that Yarber went through at JSU, recalled "a vibrant young teacher" who wanted to have a stronger impact on education; she saw his subsequent moves as a way to expand that impact.



In Memoriam



Jeff Yarber. Bradley County government was rocked by the news Sunday that Jeff Yarber, the longtime Bradley County Commission vice chairman, was found deceased at his home.

The Bradley County Sheriff's Office released a statement on its Facebook page, noting that deputies responded to Yarber's home at 11:50 a.m. Sunday, where he was found unresponsive.



"EMS arrived on the scene and pronounced him dead," according to the statement. "His death appears to be related to natural causes. He was 49 years old."

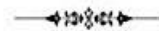
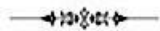
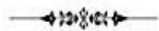
Upon hearing the news, Sheriff Steve Lawson commented that he has known Yarber “for years, both personally and professionally.

“I have worked with him closely in his role as chairman of the Law Enforcement Committee here in Bradley County,” Lawson said. “His service and dedication will be unmatched in our community and his death represents a huge loss. My friend was much more than a public servant, he was a dedicated and loving father as well. My thoughts and prayers go out to his family today.”

Tenth Judicial District Attorney General Steve Crump also offered his thoughts. "My heart is broken for Jeff's family," Crump said. "Jeff has been my friend for more than 20 years. His service to this community has been exemplary and his leadership will be missed. I share Sheriff's Lawson's feeling that we lost much more than a community leader. We lost a friend today." In addition, Commission Chairman Johnny Mull issued a statement to the Cleveland Daily Banner, noting, “We all lost a true and loyal friend. We are all grieving now.”

Mull said Yarber was elected 5th District commissioner in 2002 and served 12 of those years as vice chairman. Yarber, a dedicated public servant, advocated for not just his district, but his community as a whole, he added. “Jeff was a warrior,” Mull said. “He vehemently fought for what was right and just throughout his time on the Commission. “I speak for the full Commission when I say our hearts and prayers are with his family, especially his mother and two beloved daughters, Haley and Hannah,” Mull said. “Jeff always told us he was ‘living his best life with his girls.’”

Commissioner Milan Blake also shared his thoughts on Facebook: “I was sad to hear the passing of my good friend, Jeff Yarber. I pray God's comfort for his two beautiful girls and his entire family. ‘When someone you love becomes a memory, that memory becomes a treasure.’”

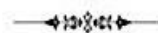
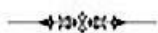
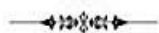


Shirley Ann Yarber. Yarber, Shirley Ann 70 of Knoxville, TN went Home to be with her Lord and Saviour just 4 days short of her 71st birthday. She was surrounded by her family and loved ones. Shirley was a faithful wife and mother who loved so many and shared her faith with others. She was a former member of Stonewall Baptist Church and a current member of New Life Baptist Church, Powell, TN for a combined total of over 50 years. Shirley welcomed everyone with a hug at church and was a Mamaw to all the children. She graduated from Cooper Institute with a 2 year business degree and St. Mary's Nursing School, class of 1988. Shirley was a RN at Parkwest Hospital, RN at St. Mary's Oak Hill, home health nurse with Care Plus, RN at Brakebill Nursing Home, RN at NHC St. Mary's, CPR instructor for Red Cross, and MDS Coordinator at Beverly Park Place Rehabilitation Center. She enjoyed listening to gospel music, spending time with her family,



helping others, receiving flowers from her loving husband weekly, collecting angel figurines, and serving others through nursing. Though her last year was a hard fought battle with cancer, Shirley's faith held strong and at 8:08pm on February 9th, 2019 she was declared cancer free when she was given her new body. She was preceded in death by parents, Roy and Stella Snelson; brother, Bob Snelson; mother-in-law, Pearl Yarber. Shirley is survived by her husband of 43 years, Jack Yarber; daughters, Tammy (David) Gray, Rhonda (Willie) Holt, Shirley (Kris) Dunsmore; sons, David (Dana) McGinnis, Paul (Barbara) Yarber, Donnie (Becky) Yarber, Tommy (Kristi) Yarber, Justin (Stephanie) McGinnis; special niece, Denise (Randall) Hayes; rescue dog, Meg; 28 grandchildren; 13 great grand children; brothers, Steve Snelson, Dave Snelson, Bill (Jackie) Snelson, Junior (Jean) Snelson; nieces and nephews.

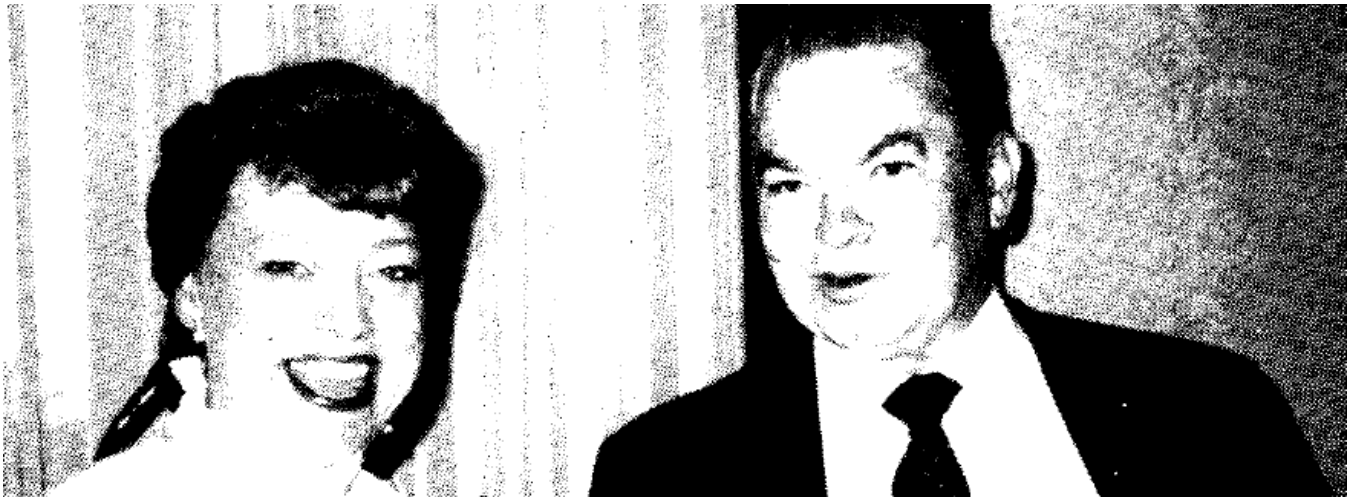
The family thanks TN Cancer Associates, Dr. Eapen and staff, Dr. Meek at Provision Care, and the staff at Beverly Park Place for their kindness during Shirley's illness. A special thanks goes to the chemo nurses and the Provision Care nurses for taking such good care of her. Family received friends at Berry Lynnhurst Funeral Home on Adair Dr. with service following. Pastor David McGinnis Jr., Brother Brian Stoutt, and Brother Michael Foust officiating.



Glimpses from the Past



(Left to Right): Charlie "Tennessee" Yarbrough, Martha and Donald Yarbrough. Phil and Mary Yarbrough, Roger Yarbrough and Senator Ralph Yarbrough (both standing), Karen Mazock. Jeannette Wilson and Leonard Yarbrough (From the 1981 YNGHA Banquet, Decatur, Georgia)



Karen Mazock, family researcher extraordinaire, and Allen Yarbrough, incorporator of the YNGHA.



Robert Price Yarbrough, whose efforts to restore the grave marker of Old Richard Yarborough, led to the YNGHA
Charles "Tennessee Charlie" Yarbrough, irascible, witty, and faithful friend.



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The President's Corner... Dear Members and Friends

Since my last letter in January, a lot has changed in the World and in our country. Our lives have been upended and nothing is normal. What has happened to make our lives so different?

The Coronavirus, a pandemic – words that very few of us used prior to January of this year. We are constantly bombarded with the latest stats, what is happening, and what is not, and who is at fault, and on and on.

One thing is for sure, we humans think that we are in control of every aspect of our human existence, and as we are reminded every now and then, we are not.

Good things.

The YNGHA membership is at an all-time high, Facebook friends are almost 1,000 and our financial health is the best ever. Please continue to support our YNGHA Family and continue to make it the best.

We have a tentative date for the 2021 Conference in Petersburg, Virginia, the month of October. Steve Yarbrough is the Conference coordinator and will be working with the Petersburg Historical Society to confirm the weekend.

With businesses opening back to limited operations, we are now ready to send our additional volumes over to the book binders in Greensboro, North Carolina this month. Please contact Leonard as to Family Reunions, Yarbrough News and anything that Yarbroughs might be doing this summer.

-Jim



*Jottings...*It continues to be “a most curious year” weather-wise and otherwise. Although it is well past the spring solstice, spring did not officially arrive in Blount County until April 12th, when the first sighting of a hummingbird occurred. By that time, the Corona-19 virus had become a pandemic, with the country in lockdown/quarantine. So far, all is well, although I am still wonder why toilet paper is such a desirable commodity. Is it a secret wide-spread fetish? Who knows? Better yet, who cares?

Last issue presented a bit of history about our colonial heritage. This issue has some history of our Viking heritage. I had vaguely recalled some of my high school history about the Battle of Hastings, but I quickly realized how little I knew. While it is perhaps more than anyone really wants to know, the account is fascinating.

There are another ten or twelve volumes to be added to our Blandford series of Yarbrough Family Records. They should have been delivered to the bookbinders a couple of months ago, but a combination of circumstances interfered, aided and abetted by the Corona virus. Eventually, they will be delivered and bound. Fortunately, these volumes will soon be appear in our digital library.

Planning is already underway for our conference next year in or near Petersburg, Virginia. We try to meet there every decade. This will be our fourth conference at that venue. Steve Yarbrough has taken the lead. There will be more about his activities in following issues.

Our FaceBook group is approaching 1,000 members, which is very gratifying. Clark Hickman and Chad Jones deserve kudos for their efforts in establishing and maintaining this activity. When the group page(s) were created, there was an active Yarbrough family forum at ancestry.com; as nearly as can be determined, the YNGHA FaceBook group has supplanted the ancestry.com forum. In addition, many of our new members come from that group.

One of the irksome features about FaceBook is that it discourages viewers from importing views of its pages. After several attempts to include views from FaceBook, I stumbled on a way that seems to work well. Now, when anyone opens the homepage of the YNGHA web site, the page opens with a popup of the FaceBook group page. It can be closed with a mouse click. One must login as a group member to see all the FaceBook pages. At the moment, this feature seems to be working as intended.

With wide-spread quarantine in vogue, I have been evaluating incorporating video calling into my repertoire of digital skills. There are a number of extant applications, but the choice has been reduced to Skype, Webex, Google Hangouts, gotoMeeting, and Zoom. At the moment, it is a tie between Zoom and Webex, with Google Hangouts very close. If this works out, we may be able to have online seminars and/or mini-conferences.

— *Leonard*

Our Viking Heritage

Norsemen first began raiding in what became Normandy in the late 8th century. Permanent Scandinavian settlement occurred before 911, when Rollo, one of the Viking leaders, and King Charles the Simple of France reached an agreement surrendering the county of Rouen to Rollo. The lands around Rouen became the core of the later duchy of Normandy. Normandy may have been used as a base when Scandinavian attacks on England were renewed at the end of the 10th century, which would have worsened relations between England and Normandy. In an effort to improve matters, King Æthelred the Unready took Emma, sister of Richard II, Duke of Normandy, as his second wife in 1002.



Lindisfarne

Danish raids on England continued, and Æthelred sought help from Richard, taking refuge in Normandy in 1013 when King Swein I of Denmark drove Æthelred and his family from England. Swein's death in 1014 allowed Æthelred to return home, but Swein's son Cnut contested Æthelred's return. Æthelred died unexpectedly in 1016, and Cnut became king of England. Æthelred and Emma's two sons, Edward and Alfred, went into exile in Normandy while their mother, Emma, became Cnut's second wife.

After Cnut's death in 1035, the English throne fell to Harold Harefoot, his son by his first wife, while Harthacnut, his son by Emma, became king in Denmark. England remained unstable. Alfred returned to England in 1036 to visit his mother and perhaps to challenge Harold as king. One story implicates Earl Godwin of Wessex in Alfred's subsequent death, but others blame Harold. Emma went into exile in Flanders until Harthacnut became king following Harold's death in 1040, and his half-brother Edward followed Harthacnut to England; Edward was proclaimed king after Harthacnut's death in June 1042.

William I (c. 1028 – 9 September 1087), usually known as **William the Conqueror** and sometimes **William the Bastard**, was the first Norman King of England, reigning from 1066 until his death in 1087. He was a descendant of Rollo and was Duke of Normandy from 1035 onward. His hold was secure on Normandy by 1060, following a long struggle to establish his throne, and he launched the Norman conquest of England six years later. The rest of his life was marked by struggles to consolidate his hold over England and his continental lands and by difficulties with his eldest son, Robert Curthose.

William was the son of the unmarried Robert I, Duke of Normandy, by his mistress Herleva. . His mother Herleva was a daughter of Fulbert of Falaise; he may have been a tanner or embalmer.^[9] She was possibly a member of the ducal household, but did not marry Robert.https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/William_the_Conqueror_-_cite_note-DNB-3 She later married

Herluin de Conteville, with whom she had two sons – Odo of Bayeux and Robert, Count of Mortain – and a daughter whose name is unknown. One of Herleva's brothers, Walter, became a supporter and protector of William during his minority. Robert also had a daughter, Adelaide, by another mistress.

Robert I succeeded his elder brother Richard III as duke on 6 August 1027. The brothers had been at odds over the succession, and Richard's death was sudden. Robert was accused by some writers of killing Richard, a plausible but now unprovable charge. Conditions in Normandy were unsettled, as noble families despoiled the Church and Alan III of Brittany waged war against the duchy, possibly in an attempt to take control. By 1031, Robert had gathered considerable support from noblemen, many of whom would become prominent during William's life. They included the duke's uncle Robert, the archbishop of Rouen, who had originally opposed the duke; Osbern, a nephew of Gunnor the wife of Richard I; and Gilbert of Brionne, a grandson of Richard I. After his accession, Robert continued Norman support for the English princes Edward and Alfred, who were still in exile in northern France.

There are indications that Robert may have been briefly betrothed to a daughter of King Cnut, but no marriage took place. It is unclear if William would have been supplanted in the ducal succession if Robert had had a legitimate son. Earlier dukes had been illegitimate, and William's association with his father on ducal charters appears to indicate that William was considered Robert's most likely heir. In 1034, the duke decided to go on pilgrimage to Jerusalem. Although some of his supporters tried to dissuade him from undertaking the journey, he convened a council in January 1035 and had the assembled Norman magnates swear fealty to William as his heir before leaving for Jerusalem. He died in early July at Nicea, on his way back to Normandy.¹

William's illegitimate status and his youth caused difficulties for him after he succeeded his father, as did the anarchy which plagued the first years of his rule. During his childhood and adolescence, members of the Norman aristocracy battled each other, both for control of the child duke and for their own ends. In 1047, William was able to quash a rebellion and begin to establish his authority over the duchy, a process that was not complete until about 1060. His marriage in the 1050s to Matilda of Flanders provided him with a powerful ally in the neighboring county of Flanders. By the time of his marriage, William was able to arrange the appointment of his supporters as bishops and abbots in the Norman church. His consolidation of power allowed him to expand his horizons, and he secured control of the neighbouring county of Maine by 1062.

In the 1050s and early 1060s, William became a contender for the throne of England held by the childless Edward the Confessor, his first cousin once removed. There were other potential claimants, including the powerful English earl Harold Godwinson whom Edward named as king on his deathbed in January 1066. Arguing that Edward had previously promised the throne to him and that Harold had sworn to support his claim, William built a large fleet and invaded England in September 1066. He decisively defeated and killed Harold at the Battle of Hastings on 14 October 1066. After further military efforts, William was crowned king on Christmas Day 1066 in London. He made arrangements for the governance of England in early 1067 before returning to Normandy. Several unsuccessful rebellions followed, but William's hold was mostly secure on England by 1075, allowing him to spend the majority of his reign on the continent.

William faced several challenges on becoming duke, including his illegitimate birth and his youth: the evidence indicates that he was either seven or eight years old at the time. He enjoyed the support of his great-uncle, Archbishop Robert, as well as King Henry I of France, enabling him to succeed to his father's duchy. The support given to the exiled English princes in their attempt to return to England in 1036 shows that the new duke's guardians were attempting to continue his father's policies, but Archbishop Robert's death in March 1037 removed one of William's main supporters, and conditions in Normandy quickly descended into chaos.

The anarchy in the duchy lasted until 1047, and control of the young duke was one of the priorities of those contending for power. At first, Alan of Brittany had custody of the duke, but when Alan died in either late 1039 or October 1040, Gilbert of Brionne took charge of William. Gilbert was killed within months, and another guardian, Turchetil, was also killed around the time of Gilbert's death. Yet another guardian, Osbern, was slain in the early 1040s in William's chamber while the duke slept. It was said that Walter, William's maternal uncle, was occasionally forced to hide the young duke in the houses of peasants, although this story may be an embellishment by Orderic Vitalis. The historian Eleanor Searle speculates that William was raised with the three cousins who later became important in his career – William fitzOsbern, Roger de Beaumont and Roger of Montgomery. Although many of the Norman nobles engaged in their own private wars and feuds during William's minority, the viscounts still acknowledged the ducal government, and the ecclesiastical hierarchy was supportive of William.

King Henry continued to support the young duke, but in late 1046 opponents of William came together in a rebellion centered in lower Normandy, led by Guy of Burgundy with support from Nigel, Viscount of the Cotentin, and Ranulf, Viscount of the Bessin. According to stories that may have legendary elements, an attempt was made to seize William at Valognes, but he escaped under cover of darkness, seeking refuge with King Henry. In early 1047 Henry and William returned to Normandy and were victorious at the Battle of Val-ès-Dunes near Caen, although few details of the actual fighting are recorded. William of Poitiers claimed that the battle was won mainly through William's efforts, but earlier accounts claim that King Henry's men and leadership also played an important part. William assumed power in Normandy, and shortly after the battle promulgated the Truce of God throughout his duchy, in an effort to limit warfare and violence by restricting the days of the year on which fighting was permitted. Although the Battle of Val-ès-Dunes marked a turning point in William's control of the duchy, it was not the end of his struggle to gain the upper hand over the nobility. The period from 1047 to 1054 saw almost continuous warfare, with lesser crises continuing until 1060.

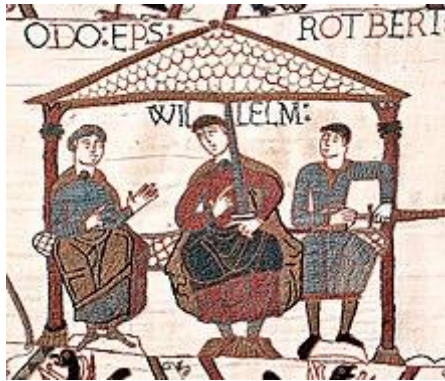


Obelisk commemorating
the Battle of Val-ès-Dunes

Consolidation of power

William's next efforts were against Guy of Burgundy, who retreated to his castle at Brionne, which William besieged. After a long effort, the duke succeeded in exiling Guy in 1050. To address the growing power of the Count of Anjou, Geoffrey Martel, William joined with King Henry in a campaign against him, the last known cooperation between the two. They succeeded in capturing an Angevin fortress, but accomplished little else. Geoffrey attempted to expand his authority into the county of Maine, especially after the death of Hugh IV of Maine in 1051. Central

to the control of Maine were the holdings of the Bellême family, who held Bellême on the border of Maine and Normandy, as well as the fortresses at Alençon and Domfront. Bellême's overlord was the king of France, but Domfront was under the overlordship of Geoffrey Martel and Duke William was Alençon's overlord. The Bellême family, whose lands were quite strategically placed between their three different overlords, was able to play each of them against the other and secure virtual independence for themselves.



The image from the Bayeux Tapestry shows William with his half-brothers. William is in the center, Odo is at the left with empty hands, and Robert is on the right holding a sword.

On the death of Hugh of Maine, Geoffrey Martel occupied Maine in a move contested by William and King Henry; eventually, they succeeded in driving Geoffrey from the county, and in the process, William was able to secure the Bellême family strongholds at Alençon and Domfront for himself. He was thus able to assert his overlordship over the Bellême family and compel them to act consistently in Norman interests. In 1052 the king and Geoffrey Martel made common cause against William at the same time as some Norman nobles began to contest William's increasing power. Henry's about-face was probably motivated by a desire to retain dominance over Normandy, which was now threatened by William's growing mastery of his duchy. William was engaged in military actions against his own nobles throughout 1053, as well as with the new Archbishop of Rouen, Mauger. In February 1054, the king and the Norman rebels launched a double invasion of the duchy. Henry led the main thrust through the county of Évreux, while the other wing, under the king's brother Odo, invaded eastern Normandy. William met the invasion by dividing his forces into two groups. The first, which he led, faced Henry. The second, which included some who became William's firm supporters, such as Robert, Count of Eu, Walter Giffard, Roger of Mortemer, and William de Warenne, faced the other invading force. This second force defeated the invaders at the Battle of Mortemer. In addition to ending both invasions, the battle allowed the duke's ecclesiastical supporters to depose Archbishop Mauger. Mortemer thus marked another turning point in William's growing control of the duchy, although his conflict with the French king and the Count of Anjou continued until 1060. Henry and Geoffrey led another invasion of Normandy in 1057 but were defeated by William at the Battle of Varaville. This was the last invasion of Normandy during William's lifetime. In 1058, William invaded the County of Dreux and took Tillières-sur-Avre and Thimert. Henry attempted to dislodge William, but the Siege of Thimert dragged on for two years until Henry's death. The deaths of Count Geoffrey and the king in 1060 cemented the shift in the balance of power towards William.

One factor in William's favour was his marriage to Matilda of Flanders, the daughter of Count Baldwin V of Flanders. The union was arranged in 1049, but Pope Leo IX forbade the marriage at the Council of Rheims in October 1049. The marriage nevertheless went ahead some time in the early 1050s, possibly unsanctioned by the pope. According to a late source not generally considered to be reliable, papal sanction was not secured until 1059, but as papal-Norman relations in the 1050s were generally good, and Norman clergy were able to visit Rome in 1050 without incident, it was probably secured earlier. Papal sanction of the marriage appears to

have required the founding of two monasteries in Caen – one by William and one by Matilda. The marriage was important in bolstering William's status, as Flanders was one of the more powerful French territories, with ties to the French royal house and to the German emperors. Contemporary writers considered the marriage, which produced four sons and five or six daughters, to be a success.

William's final years were marked by difficulties in his continental domains, troubles with his son Robert, and threatened invasions of England by the Danes. In 1086, he ordered the compilation of the Domesday Book, a survey listing all the land-holdings in England along with their pre-Conquest and current holders. He died in September 1087 while leading a campaign in northern France, and was buried in Caen. His reign in England was marked by the construction of castles, settling a new Norman nobility on the land, and change in the composition of the English clergy. He did not try to integrate his various domains into one empire but continued to administer each part separately. His lands were divided after his death: Normandy went to Robert, and England went to his second surviving son William.

Appearance and character

No authentic portrait of William has been found; the contemporary depictions of him on the Bayeux Tapestry and on his seals and coins are conventional representations designed to assert his authority. There are some written descriptions of a burly and robust appearance, with a guttural voice. He enjoyed excellent health until old age, although he became quite fat in later life. He was strong enough to draw bows that others were unable to pull and had great stamina. Geoffrey Martel described him as without equal as a fighter and as a horseman. Examination of William's femur, the only bone to survive when the rest of his remains were destroyed, showed he was approximately 5 feet 10 inches (1.78 m) in height.

There are records of two tutors for William during the late 1030s and early 1040s, but the extent of his literary education is unclear. He was not known as a patron of authors, and there is little evidence that he sponsored scholarship or other intellectual activities. Orderic Vitalis records that William tried to learn to read Old English late in life, but he was unable to devote sufficient time to the effort and quickly gave up. William's main hobby appears to have been hunting. His marriage to Matilda appears to have been quite affectionate, and there are no signs that he was unfaithful to her – unusual in a medieval monarch. Medieval writers criticized William for his greed and cruelty, but his personal piety was universally praised by contemporaries.

The events of 1066 in England effectively marked the end of the Viking Age. By that time, all of the Scandinavian kingdoms were Christian, and what remained of Viking “culture” was being absorbed into the culture of Christian Europe. Today, signs of the Viking legacy can be found mostly in the Scandinavian origins of some vocabulary and place-names in the areas in which they settled, including northern England, Scotland and Russia. In Iceland, the Vikings left an extensive body of literature, the Icelandic sagas, in which they celebrated the greatest victories of their glorious past.

The Legacy of Ambrose Yarbrough

Prior to the formation of the YNGHA, George Yarborough, an Alabama state senator, researched his family's history. While he was diligent researcher, some of his findings have been disputed, questioned and/or disproven by subsequent research, particularly regarding Richard's spouse and children. Nelle Morris Jenkins, a descendant of Thomas Yarborough (1785), used material provided by George Yarborough in her Yarbrough Family newsletter. Some of this material found its way into Charles David Yarborough's Yarbrough Family Magazine¹, and still appears in various family web sites today. Notwithstanding George Yarborough's claims, Richard was never married to Frances Proctor. While he may have had other children, at present we know only of two proven sons, Richard II and John.

Although credit for establishing our extended families in the New World is given to Richard ("the Immigrant" or "Old Richard"), Ambrose was generally regarded as a kinsman with origins in Yorkshire, whereas Richard was and is believed to be from Lincolnshire. The families in these two shires were related, and it is well-documented that nearly all our colonial Yarbroughs seemed to know about the presence of their kinsmen. Records indicate that they would head for them whenever they moved to another location. Furthermore, we probably would not have known much (if anything) about Old Richard, had it not been for Ambrose. At the time (ca 1970 – 1980), it was accepted that Ambrose was born in Yorkshire. It was a given, then, that Ambrose would seek his relatives in Virginia.

This was the situation when, Robert Price Yarbrough, a North Carolinian, began researching his family. This culminated with the publishing of his book **Yarbrough**, an account of the Ambrose Yarbrough lineage in the New World. During his research, he discovered the burial site of Old Richard Yarborough at the Old Blandford Church and Cemetery in Petersburg, Virginia. Richard Yarborough was one of the founders of the church, and his is the first interment at the cemetery. The headstone had been fashioned from a slab of sandstone and was in poor condition. It had been replaced, but the name inscribed thereon was Scarborough. This bothered Robert, and he began a campaign to raise funds to correct the record. The campaign was successful, and in 1982, many of those who had participated met with Robert in Petersburg to dedicate a marker place at Old Richard's grave. By this time, the YNGHA had been incorporated by Allen Yarbrough, and the dedication meeting became the first official conference of the Yarbrough family association.

In the cold light of twenty/twenty vision hindsight, the presumption of Ambrose's immigration should probably been questioned further by the early family researchers. One of the first indicators was the matter of Ambrose's age – was he born in 1710 or 1740? The family tree in Robert Price Yarbrough's book shows 1710 as his date of birth. Eventually, this came into question. It did not help that there were numerous Ambrose Yarbroughs around within a couple or three decades. For example, Robert's family tree shows Ambrose (1710), Ambrose Jr., (no DoB given), grandson Ambrose (1772), great-grandson Ambrose (no DoB given), and great-grandson Ambrose (1850). Whether or not Ambrose was an immigrant, he was married in Virginia. Ambrose Jr. would have been born ca 1730 – 1740. It appears that at some time, Ambrose and his on

¹ Charles published his **Yarborough Family Magazine** until his death in 1985. Charles "Tennessee Charlie" Yarbrough published an interim newsletter until 1985, and then Leonard Yarbrough began the present-day **Yarbrough Family Quarterly**.

Ambrose may have confused with each other when the question arose about his birth and arrival. The following is a descendants' listing created primarily from Robert Price Yarbrough's book. It is instructive, as it clearly shows the kinship of Ambrose's family to the Masons and Culpeppers, who have been prominent in Virginia's history.

Descendants of Ambrose Yarbrough

1 Ambrose Yarbrough 1710 - 1788
 . +Mary Blackstock
 *2nd Wife of Ambrose Yarbrough:
 . +Mary Mason
 2 Jonathan Yarbrough 1740 - 1811
 +Amelia Lee 1748 - 1811
 3 William Yarbrough 1762 -
 +Sarah Allen
 4 Elizabeth Yarbrough
 4 Robert Yarbrough
 4 Joseph Yarbrough
 4 William Yarbrough
 5 William Yarbrough 1786 -
 6 William S. Yarbrough 1817 -
 +Eliza (?) Yarbrough 1848 -
 +Mima Yarbrough 1810 -
 4 James Yarbrough
 4 Lucy Yarbrough
 4 Frankey Yarbrough
 4 Frances Yarbrough
 4 Judy Yarbrough
 3 Mary Yarbrough 1770 -
 +John Culpeper
 4 John Jr. Culpeper 1798 -
 4 Benjamine Culpeper 1800 -
 4 Nancy Culpeper 1802 -
 4 E. A. Culpeper 1804 -
 3 Joseph Yarbrough 1770 - 1823
 +Elizabeth Edwards
 4 Jonathan Yarbrough 1794 -
 4 Mary Yarbrough 1796 -
 4 Millie Yarbrough 1798 -
 4 Eleanor Yarbrough 1800 -
 4 Rachel Yarbrough 1802 -
 3 Rev. Ambrose Yarbrough 1772 - 1861
 +Phebe Holcomb
 *2nd Wife of Rev. Ambrose Yarbrough:
 +Elizabeth Culpeper - 1910
 4 Hardy Yarbrough 1810 - 1877
 +Rachel Yarbrough

..... 5 James Yarbrough 1834 - 1862
..... +[1] Mary Ann Tennessee Rainer 1835 -
..... 6 James Hutchinson Yarbrough 1859 - 1934
..... +Ida Lucinda Culpepper
..... 5 Drury Yarbrough 1836 -
..... +Rebecca Everett
..... 6 Thomas Preston Yarbrough 1858 -
..... 6 Sallie Yarbrough 1860 -
..... *2nd Wife of Drury Yarbrough:
..... +[1] Mary Ann Tennessee Rainer 1835 -
..... 6 Robert Edward Yarbrough 1866 -
..... +May Jane Stone
..... 6 Elmire Yarbrough 1868 -
..... 6 Nancy Elizabeth Yarbrough 1870 -
..... 6 Viola Yarbrough 1872 -
..... 6 Patrick Yarbrough 1874 -
..... 5 Elizabeth Yarbrough 1842 -
..... +Joseph Hardin
..... 5 Joseph Yarbrough 1842 - 1891
..... +Amanda Emaline Culpeper
..... 6 Marshall Yarbrough 1862 -
..... 6 Lony Yarbrough 1864 -
..... 6 Hardy Yarbrough 1866 -
..... 6 Tenney Yarbrough 1868 -
..... 6 Peter Yarbrough 1870 -
..... 5 John D. Yarbrough 1843 -
..... 5 William Yarbrough 1846 -
..... +Palina "Lina" Hall
..... 6 Annie Yarbrough 1866 -
..... 6 Nathan Yarbrough 1868 -
..... 5 Ambrose Yarbrough 1850 -
..... +Fannie Goodwin
..... 6 Annie Yarbrough 1870 -
..... 6 John Yarbrough 1872 -
..... 6 Ellena Yarbrough 1874 -
..... 6 Mollie Yarbrough 1876 -

..... 4 Ambrose Jr. Yarbrough 1814 -
..... 4 Joseph B. Yarbrough 1819 - 1869
..... 5 Mary J. Yarbrough 1855 -
..... +Mary McLemore
..... 5 Martha J. Yarbrough 1842 -
..... 5 Therza E. Yarbrough 1844 - 1860
..... 5 Nancy E. Yarbrough 1846 - 1860
..... 5 Richard A. Yarbrough 1848 - 1936
..... +Lucy Stroud 1848 -
..... 5 William Joshua "Caleb" Yarbrough 1852 - 1921
..... +Mary A. Brunson

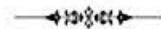
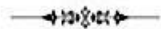
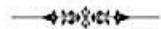
..... *2nd Wife of Joseph B. Yarbrough:
 +Frances Ella Axum
 5 Frances Ella Yarbrough 1859 -
 +George Clinton Stroud 1859 -
 4 Frances Yarbrough 1824 -
 +James Culpeper
 5 Reuben Culpepper 1844 -
 5 Thersley Culpepper 1844 -
 2 Jeremiah Yarbrough 1740 - 1797
 +Temperance Richards 1740 -
 2 Humphrey Yarbrough 1740 -
 +Mary Lee
 3 Millie "Amelia" Yarbrough
 +William Boyakin
 3 Lee Yarbrough 1772 -
 3 Humphrey Jr. Yarbrough 1780 -
 +Mary Blackstock
 4 Ambrose Yarbrough 1800 - 1870
 +Lucinda Bobo 1802 -
 5 Rebekah Yarbrough 1831 -
 5 DeCaleb Yarbrough 1834 -
 5 Sarah A. Yarbrough 1840 -
 5 Bulah A. Yarbrough 1843 -
 5 Victory Yarbrough 1843 -
 5 John T. Yarbrough 1844 -
 +S. M. Ellis
 4 Hiram Yarbrough 1802 - 1867
 +Sarah Bobo 1801 - 1876
 5 Lewis Yarbrough 1824 - 1887
 5 Perry Yarbrough 1825 - 1906
 +Jane Starnes
 5 Hiram Yarbrough 1828 - 1856
 +Martha Yarbrough 1828 -
 5 Talitha Yarbrough 1830 - 1846
 5 Mary Yarbrough 1832 - 1864
 +Hillard Hill
 5 Humphrey Yarbrough 1836 - 1870
 5 Asbury Yarbrough 1840 - 1861
 5 Daniel Yarbrough 1845 - 1913
 +Evelina Reecca Snead (or Sneal) 1845 - 1923
 5 Calvin Yarbrough 1848 - 1862
 4 Stephen Yarbrough 1808 -
 +Susan Layton 1811 - 1901
 4 John Yarbrough 1809 - 1865

..... +Sarah Miles 1806 - 1881
..... 5 Nancy Yarbrough 1834 -
..... 5 Mary Elizabeth Yarbrough 1836 -
..... 5 Harriet Yarbrough 1837 -
..... 5 Hiram F. Yarbrough 1837 - 1902
..... +Martha Layton
..... 5 Celia Yarbrough 1838 -
..... 5 Percy Postell Yarbrough 1840 - 1896
..... +Martha Caroline Fowler 1844 - 1885
..... 6 (Infant Son) Yarbrough 1862 - 1862
..... 6 John Barnett Yarbrough 1866 - 1943
..... +Flemma Lynch
..... 6 Sarah Jane Yarbrough 1867 - 1942
..... +Dennis Pearson
..... 6 James Harrison Yarbrough 1870 - 1937
..... 6 Julia Evelyn Yarbrough 1875 - 1940
..... +George T. McIntosh
..... 6 Mary Frances Yarbrough 1875 -
..... 6 Lewis Franklin Yarbrough 1879 - 1960
..... +Bertha Galloway
..... 5 Benjamin Yarbrough 1842 -
..... 5 Mary Yarbrough 1844 -
..... 5 Samuel Yarbrough 1846 -
..... 5 Luskey T. Yarbrough 1850 -
..... 4 Willis Yarbrough 1817 -
..... +Sarah Harrison 1816 -
..... 5 Leonah A. Yarbrough 1836 -
..... +Robert Allen
..... 5 Roland Stacy Yarbrough 1840 - 1864
..... +Beulah Ann Bobo 1845 - 1928
..... 6 William Henry Yarbrough 1863 - 1949
..... +Lily Williams 1868 - 1949
..... 5 William A. Yarbrough 1842 -
..... 5 Ambros M. Yarbrough 1845 -
..... 5 Hannah Yarbrough 1850 - 1916
..... +Baswell Newman
..... 5 Sarah Frances Yarbrough 1859 - 1913
..... +Horace Grafton Richards
..... 4 Martha Ann Yarbrough 1831 - 1911
..... +Sarepta Smith
..... *2nd Husband of Martha Ann Yarbrough:
..... +William Givan
..... 4 Turntine "Bud" Yarbrough 1833 -
..... +Caroline Smith
..... 4 Sarah Yarbrough 1834 -
..... +Humphries Young
..... 4 Jeremiah Yarbrough 1836 -
..... +Elizabeth Bobo
..... *2nd Wife of Jeremiah Yarbrough:
..... +Mary Yarbrough

..... 4 Julia Ann Yarbrough 1838 -
..... +William Perry Newman
..... *2nd Husband of Julia Ann Yarbrough:
..... +Ben Collins
..... 4 William Yarbrough 1840 -
..... 4 James P. Yarbrough 1842 -
..... 4 Nancy Yarbrough 1843 - 1882
..... +Silas Waldrop
..... 4 Stephen Yarbrough 1844 - 1912
..... +Victoria Bobo
..... 4 Hiram Yarbrough 1849 -
..... +Martha Ann Dennis
..... 4 Mary A. Yarbrough 1853 - 1876
..... +Wilbur Oat Huggins
..... 3 Amon Yarbrough 1787 - 1845
..... +Elizabeth Allen 1787 - 1850
..... 4 James Newell Rev. Yarbrough 1811 - 1888
..... +Sarah Boykin
..... 4 Sarah Yarbrough 1813 -
..... +John W. Smith
..... 4 Lucy Yarbrough 1815 -
..... +John M. Lanier
..... 4 Martha Yarbrough 1817 -
..... +Hugh B. Allen
..... 4 Nancy Yarbrough 1820 -
..... +Thomas Barbour
..... 4 Frances Yarbrough 1823 -
..... +Robert Axum
..... 4 Nancy "Nicy" Yarbrough 1824 -
..... +Joseph Culpeper
..... 4 Judith Yarbrough 1826 -
..... +John L. Allen
..... 4 Emaline E. Yarbrough 1830 -
..... +W. W. Gilmore
..... 4 Mary Yarbrough 1825 - 1902
..... +Henry Barbour
..... 3 Ambrose Yarbrough 1796 - 1864
..... +Mary Murdock 1800 - 1857
..... 4 Nathan G. Yarbrough 1826 - 1908
..... +Elizabeth (?) Yarbrough 1824 - 1900
..... 5 Penelope Yarbrough 1841 - 1914
..... 5 S. L. Yarbrough 1847 - 1909
..... 5 W. F. Yarbrough 1857 - 1888
..... 5 Ambrose Yarbrough 1866 - 1948

..... +Annie B. (?) Yarbrough 1871 - 1956
 6 Clarence Yarbrough 1889 - 1918
 6 Carl Yarbrough 1892 - 1918
 6 Little Solon Yarbrough 1904 - 1905
 2 Ann Yarbrough 1741 -
 +Peter Pinnell 1740 -
 2 John Yarbrough 1750 -
 2 Mary Yarbrough 1754 -
 +Stephen Blackstock
 2 Ambrose Jr. Yarbrough 1756 -
 +Susan Layton

It may be immaterial whether Ambrose was an immigrant, as claimed by Robert Price Yarbrough and other researchers, or was native born, as suggested by other researchers. What is pertinent is that Robert's research led him to Old Blandford Church and Cemetery; that in turn led to the activities that saw the emergence of the YNGHA as the Yarbrough family association for the Yarbrough and allied families in the New World.



A Peek at the Past

When August 2021 arrives, it will have been 29 years since the first National Yarbrough Conference was convened in Petersburg, Virginia. The YNGHA has returned every ten years in order to pay homage to the first known Yarbrough immigrant. Obviously, custom should dictate our return to Petersburg in 2022, but since we have begun convening every other year, it seemed reasonable to meet next year. Many of those who were present in 1982 are no longer with us, but they are remembered. The following is a listing of the 982 attendees:

Any Yarbrough Arrington
 Elizabeth Yarbrough Baker
 Linda Yarbrough Ball
 Patricia Yarbrough Beckner
 S.C. & Margaret Y. Bisset, Jr.
 Curtis A. & Dolores Bowen
 Theodore P. Brown
 Robert & Mildred Y. Carroll
 William S. & Virginia Y. Coley
 Col. Glenn E. & Mary Y. Fant
 Jack & Thelma Y. Fletcher
 Elizabeth Gill
 Faye Gray
 Beulah Grimmett
 Kenneth & Evelyn Goble
 John & Mark Harris
 Paul D. & Lucy Hayes
 Frances M. Lockwood

Beverly McCulloch
 William H. & Reba Y. Rice
 May Sidney
 Peggy Sockwell
 John & Vermelle Socky
 Mack & Marcia Y. Stone
 Arlene Weidinger
 Jeanette Wilson
 Sharon Winebarger
 Allen S. Yarbrough
 Billy Guy & Peggy Yarbrough
 Charles D. & Laura Yarborough
 Charles H. & Frances Ann Yarbrough
 Charles Hill & Mary Ann Yarborough
 Cobb Yarbrough
 E.L. & Nan Yarbrough
 E.T. & Susan Yarborough
 Dr. Harold R. Yarbrough

Hoyt & Nell Yarbrough
 Hugh L. Yarbro
 James C. & Jean Yarbrough
 Madison & Ruth Yarbrough, Jr.
 R.T. & Lyn Yarbrough
 Robbie & Lisa Yarbrough
 Sen. Ralph W. Yarborough

Robert P. & Jane Yarbrough
 Roger L. & Dolores Yarbrough
 Rupert & Vernelle Yarbrough
 Thomas C. & Margaret Yarbrough
 Thomas D. Yarbrough
 Tierce B. Yarbrough
 Maj. William Lee Yarborough



Old Richard Yarborough's Markers



Tennessee and Texas Charlie



Madison & Ruth Yarbrough



Senator Ralph Yarborough



1702 grave gets new marker

By LeeNora Everett
Times-Dispatch State Staff

PETERSBURG — Descendants of Richard Yarbrough came from 15 states yesterday to dedicate a new marker at Yarbrough's grave in Blandford Church Cemetery and to rededicate themselves to the United States.

The visitors included former Sen. R.W. Yarborough, 79, of Austin, Texas, who has a different spelling of the name.

The oldest tombstone in the city-owned cemetery is that of Yarbrough, who emigrated from Lincolnshire, England, in 1642 and died in 1702 at age 87.

But over the years, the soft stone had been damaged. Also, workers had mistakenly placed the name Scarbrough on it.

R.P. Yarbrough, a retired lumberman from Charlotte, N.C., led the drive to have a new marker with the proper name put on the grave.

"I thought of it last February," Yarbrough said. "I reserved 10 rooms at a

Petersburg motel and decided to hold a Yarbrough conference. Word was circulated in a Yarbrough newsletter; it spread from cousin to cousin. It ended up with over 100 descendants coming here. We overflowed the third floor of the motel."

A special program was held yesterday at Blandford Church, now a Confederate shrine and the oldest building in Petersburg. Dr. James H. Bailey, director of the Blandford Information Center, told of the history of the building, which dates to 1645. It was then St. Paul's Church of the Bristol Parish, Church of England. Yarbrough helped found the parish.

Before the church was built, Bailey said, "People had long been buried on this hill. The Yarbrough gravesite is at the highest elevation in the city. On a clear day, you can see 20 miles away."

Later, as the Yarbrough descendants gathered at the grave, Charles Hill Yarbrough Jr. of Louisburg, N.C., a ninth-

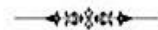
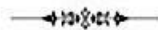
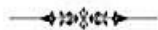
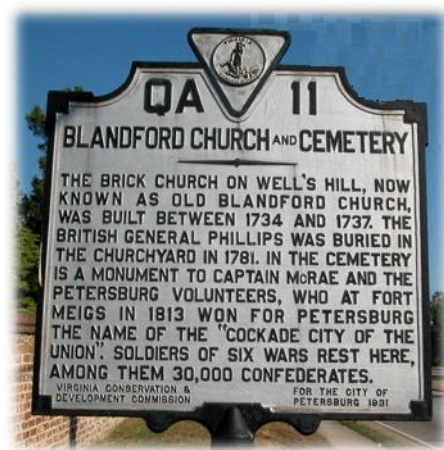
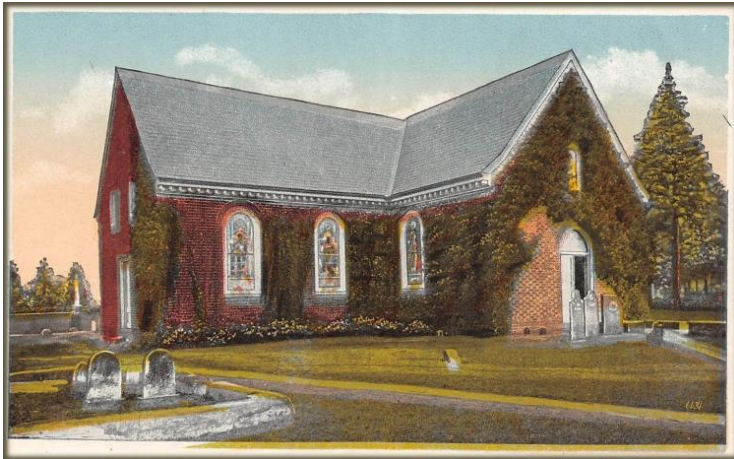
generation descendant, said, "We can be proud our ancestor lies in hallowed ground."

He urged those present, including his son, Charles H. Yarbrough III, 4, to rededicate themselves to the United States and said, "We leave with stronger ties, a renewed spirit."

Richard Yarbrough — "the immigrant," as his descendants refer to him — married Frances Proctor in London in 1635. They had seven boys and three girls. Yarbrough became a major Virginia landowner and planter.

Twenty-nine Yarbroughs fought in the Revolutionary War; most were from North Carolina. There have been Yarbroughs and Yarboroughs in Texas since the 1840s.

Countless regional Yarbrough reunions are held annually in the various states, but this was the first national Yarbrough gettogether. Participants said it was so successful, though, that they plan to make it an annual event.



What We Are Doing...

Robert Yarber. Robert Yarber (b. 1948, Dallas, Texas) lives and works in central Pennsylvania. Since the 1970s, Robert Yarber has produced mind-bendingly psychedelic paintings, first gaining international acclaim when his work was included in “Paradise Lost/Paradise Regained: American Visions of the New Decade,” an exhibit organized by the New Museum for display in the American Pavilion at the 41st Venice Biennale in 1984. Yarber gained further prominence with his inclusion in the 1985 Whitney Biennial, and he is credited as a major influence for the art direction of Terry Gilliam’s 1998 film *Fear and Loathing in Las Vegas*.



Yarber has exhibited nationally and internationally since the early eighties. Recent solo exhibitions include *Return of the Repressed*, Nicodim Gallery, Los Angeles (2018, solo); *Panic Pending*, Reflex Amsterdam, Holland (2014, solo); *Calaveras Gnosticos*, Sonnabend Gallery, New York, NY (2009, solo); *Sortie: The Demonological Survey*, Kyungpook National University Art Museum, Daegu, Korea (2007, solo); and *Robert Yarber*, Sonnabend Gallery, New York, NY (1998, solo). His works can be found in the collections of The Whitney Museum of American Art, New York, The Paine-Webber Collection,

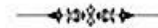
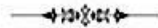
New York, The Broad Family Foundation, Los Angeles, California and The Boston Fine Arts Museum, Massachusetts, among others.

Gerald Yarborough. An award-winning creative executive, Gerald Yarborough has an in-depth understanding of the entertainment industry, as well as in art direction and creative strategy relating to film, television, and kids' brands. A seasoned leader, he has set direction and collaborated with creative professionals across numerous brands and lines of business, setting new benchmarks in quality and design in the world of licensed consumer products.



In addition to creating and sustaining successful campaigns for Nickelodeon, Comedy Central, MTV, and the Paramount portfolio, he is passionately engaged in arts education and philanthropic endeavors around corporate social responsibility, using his experiences and example as a creative executive and the Viacom platform to motivate the next generation of creators of color.

A career in art can be a parent's worst nightmare, but Gerald beat the odds and followed his dreams despite the clear obstacles.. Today, he helps others see that one can be successful in the competitive entertainment field. "Follow your dreams. Don't waste your purpose. Don't screw up." – these were among the last words his mother said to Gerald before she passed away. "They have been my motivation throughout my adult life. It was late 1998, and I was a freshman at St. John's University, settling into my studies as a pharmacy major. I had everything lined up: a five-year scholarship with the hopes of a good-paying job in a high-demand field likely upon graduation." Gerald had a loving and very wise mother.



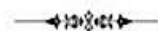
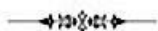
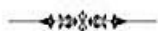
Angela Yarber. [Rev. Dr. Angela Yarber](#) is [author](#), [artist](#), and Executive Director at the [Holy Women Icons Project](#), a non-profit that seeks to empower marginalized women by telling the stories of revolutionary holy women through art, writing, and special events. With a Ph.D. in Art and Religion, she is also an ordained queer clergywoman. The author of seven [books](#) addressing the intersections among the arts, religion, and gender/sexuality, four of which were awarded the Top LGBTQ Christian Books of their respective publication years, she is currently querying literary agents for her [eighth book](#). After fourteen years as a pastor and over a decade as a professor, Angela left her job, sold her home, and traveled to Hawaii where they partnered with the television show Tiny House Nation to build an off-grid home, which is the first step in creating the Holy Women Icon Project's retreat center. Her work has been featured on NPR's Progressive Spirit and Maya Angelou's memorial celebration..



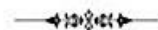
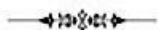
Monique Merriweather Yarborough. Merriweather-Yarborough is a dedicated human resource (HR) professional with over 18 years of professional experience in higher education, finance, healthcare and non-profit. Her most recent position was at NC State as a consultant in HR Benefits. Merriweather-Yarborough's expert areas of HR include: benefits, classification and compensation, recruitment and hiring, employee relations, performance management, career planning, leadership, talent acquisition and policy interpretation. She has received two HR certifications as a Professional in Human Resources (PHR) and as a Certified Professional by the Society for Human Resource Management (SHRM-CP).



As a human resource consultant, Merriweather-Yarborough will be responsible for providing leadership, consultation and guidance to all Poole College administrators, faculty and staff regarding HR administration. Along with [Yolanda Sanders](#), human resources specialist, she will serve as the primary central resource for human resources guidance, policies and procedures, and best practices for the college.



Beau Yarbrough. Beau Yarbrough wrote his first newspaper article taking on an authority figure (his middle school principal) when he was in 7th grade. He's been a professional journalist since 1992, working in Virginia, Egypt and California. In that time, he's covered community news, features, politics, local government, education, the comic book industry and more. He's covered the war in Bosnia, interviewed presidential candidates, written theatrical reviews, attended a seance, ridden in a blimp and interviewed both Batman and Wonder Woman (Adam West and Lynda Carter). He also cooks a mean pot of chili.



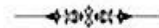
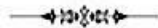
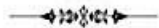
Cappy Yarbrough. Cappy Yarbrough is a graduate assistant for the Lowcountry Digital History Initiative. Ever since seventh grade, she knew she wanted to come to the College of Charleston. Both of her parents, Dabney "Champ" Yarbrough '86 and Kelley Yarbrough '85, graduated from the College, and Yarbrough grew up having an affinity for the Holy City and her parents' alma mater. Her academic journey to get to CofC wasn't easy. Growing up, Yarbrough had severe dyslexia. In fact, she didn't learn to read until the fourth grade. Her first A came from a history class in sixth grade. "It doesn't feel like work to me," she said of studying history.



The rest, as they say, is history. Yarbrough earned her bachelor's degree in history from the College and is currently earning her [Master of Arts in History](#) at the College's [Graduate School of the University of Charleston, S.C.](#) She says she finds support through her professors in the history department, which has made all the difference. "They have consistently taken a genuine interest in helping me carve a path and find success," says Yarbrough, who is a recipient of the [Principal's Fellowship](#), a scholarship for CofC graduate students. "Whether it be editing cover letters or the many office-hours meetings to bounce ideas around, I have been extremely lucky to have their support."

While she's studying for her graduate degree, Yarbrough also works as a graduate assistant for the [Lowcountry Digital History Initiative](#) (LDHI), an online project that creates exhibits about underrepresented and marginalized history in the Lowcountry. "I have a broad range of tasks, however I primarily conduct image research," she said. "This means after reading the text of an upcoming exhibit I work with the project director and my fellow graduate student to come up with images that will enhance the exhibit. We use online and archival resources to find the images. It's very challenging, but always rewarding when we find that perfect historic image that matches the text perfectly."

Her work with the LDHI has provided her with many real-world skills that she takes to the workforce, like social media management, professional collaboration and expansion of branded communications. "At this point, I am very open to possibilities about my next career move, whether it be to continue down the academic path or to look for another opportunity in the digital humanities or perhaps something outside of the specific field of history all together," she says. "LDHI was critical in opening my eyes to a range of public history jobs, for example digital archives or the digital side of museum exhibits. However, it has also been great in that it has given me experience in an office and professional environment. I now feel prepared for whatever direction I choose next."



Donna J. Yarborough. Donna has been helping Texas families through complex and trying legal issues for almost two decades all over the State of Texas. Her practice focuses primarily on will contests, guardianships, and trust, estate and fiduciary litigation.

Donna is a probate litigation attorney handling mainly contested matters including will contests, trust litigation, guardianship and fiduciary litigation, as well as estate administration. Ms. Yarborough has extensive experience in guardianship litigation, which involves dealing with incapacitated individuals to protect their health and financial estates, representing applicants as well as defending proposed wards.

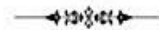
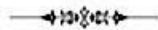
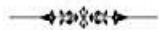
She has handled all aspects of guardianship litigation, including obtaining emergency guardianships, obtaining a divorce in a guardianship proceeding and freezing a person's financial estate to protect them from third parties. She is certified by the State Bar of Texas to serve as an attorney ad litem in guardianship proceedings.



Ms. Yarborough has experience in handling a wide variety of estate and trust litigation, from securing Temporary Administrations to prevent the dissipation of estate assets to making critical decisions to benefit the heirs in all types of estate proceedings. She has pursued even the most unusual of cases, such

as the exhumation of a body to prove heredity through DNA evidence, obtaining crime scene photos from the Dallas Police Department and photos from the Dallas Medical Examiner's Office, convincing the judge to have a guardianship hearing at the proposed ward's home, and successfully defending the proposed ward. Additionally, Ms. Yarborough has been successful in getting a decedent's loved one declared the common law spouse to that their rights were protected in the decedent's state. Donna has litigated unique estate cases throughout her active career.

Ms. Yarborough has written several articles featured in the Dallas Bar Association's Headnotes magazine and has spoken regarding guardianship to the Probate Section of the Dallas Bar, the Texas Trial Lawyer's Association and the Dallas Young Lawyer's Association.



Eddie Yarborough. Football runs in this family. His father, also named Eddie, played at Arkansas-Pine Bluff, and his uncle, Raymond Jackson, played at Colorado State. Originally signed as an undrafted free agent by Denver in 2016, Yarbrough signed with Buffalo in April 2017. The 26-year-old played 31 games – making six starts – for the Bills from 2017-18. He was waived and signed to the practice squad just before the start of the 2019 campaign. Yarbrough played for Wyoming from 2012-15 after redshirting his freshman year. Over four seasons for the Cowboys, he totaled 256 tackles (131 solo), 21.5 sacks, 39 tackles for loss, four passes broken up and four forced fumbles. Yarbrough joins fellow Colorado native Bisi Johnson (Lakewood) on the Vikings roster.

Originally born in Pine Bluff, Arkansas, Yarbrough moved with his family to Aurora, Colorado, where he was a standout linebacker at Grandview High School. In 2010, he was named to *The Denver Post* All-Colorado All-State First Team. What's one thing he has to do every time he goes back home to Aurora? Yarbrough told Bills.com that getting a breakfast burrito with green chiles is at the top of his list.



Eddie has a passion for giving back. This season, the defensive end joined Bills teammates Reid Ferguson and Dion Dawkins as elementary school mentors a Classroom Champions program². Yarbrough also helped coach a Special Olympics Unified Sports [flag football clinic](#) at the Bills facility in November.

Yarbrough began journaling as an assignment during his sophomore year of high school. "It really started as a project, but I was feeling a little bit better, and it helped me get my thoughts out of my head, so I stayed at it," Yarbrough said. "Now I journal almost every day. I grab my ukulele, my journal, my pen and my piano. And I'm all set." Yarbrough journaled throughout the NFL Draft process and start of

² https://www.instagram.com/p/B56cbWnhkOf/?utm_source=ig_web_copy_link

his career in the pros, which was chronicled by the Bills. In addition to journaling and playing the ukulele, Yarbrough's main hobbies away from the football field include fishing and hunting.



In Memoriam

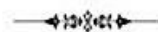
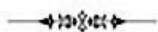
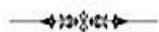


Mary Elise Yarbrow. Mary Elise Yarbrow, 98, went to be with her Lord and Savior, on Tuesday, January 28, 2020 just as she lived her life, with a smile on her face. She was born in Midlothian, Texas on June 5, 1921, to Joseph Lloyd and Mary Hamlett Alderdice. She grew up in Midlothian and graduated as Valedictorian from Midlothian High School. She received two degrees from Texas Woman's University and was listed in Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities.



She was the author of FOR GOD AND SUZI (written after the sudden death of her daughter) published in 1972 and THE LONG GOODBYE (an Alzheimer caregiver's handbook) published in 2003. She was very active in civic, community, and church work all her life: a member of University Christian Church, serving in many capacities; a member of the first committee to bring Hospices to Fort Worth in 1973; and, an accomplished speaker giving, conducting Bible studies, and leading book reviews. She was always very "crafty" and artistic with beading flowers, needlepoint, crocheting, knitting, charcoal drawing, painting, etc. When asked her favorite hobby she stated that she "dearly loved people!" As her family can attest, she was beloved as well.

She was preceded in death by beloved husband Wes Yarbrow, beloved daughter Suzanne Elise Yarbrow, grandson Richard Alan Hughes, Jr., brothers and sisters-in-law Lloyd and Dorothy Alderdice and Barham and Sunny Alderdice. She is survived by her son, Jim Yarbrow and his wife Joyce; daughter, Rosemary and her husband Richard Hughes; grandchildren Joseph Wesley Yarbrow (and his mother, Judy), Regan Elise Hughes Andrews and her husband Daniel Cullen Andrews, Robyn Hughes, Jocelynn and Clay Myers, Jeremy and Kim Ruthardt; nine great grandchildren; and numerous beloved nephews and nieces. The family thanks Dr. Robert Kelly and Stonegate Nursing staff and residents for all their love and care.

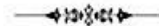
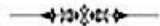


Patricia Yarbrough. Patricia Shelnutt Yarbrough went home to be with the Lord on Friday, December 27, 2019 at ARMC. She was born in Alabama to the late Dewey Hobson and Ivie Prince Shelnutt. She was the wife of William “Bill” Peter Vandervelde who survives. Patricia retired as a social worker with the state of North Carolina. She was a longtime member of First Baptist Church of Burlington where she sang in the church choir for many years. Patricia founded and organized Daphne’s Fragrance Garden at the Kernodle Senior Center.

She also founded and organized the first bowling league for the blind in Alamance County, first and only Braille class in the county through ACC. She was the president of the Federation of the Blind for Alamance County. Patricia through her tireless efforts helped to build a better life for the blind in her community.

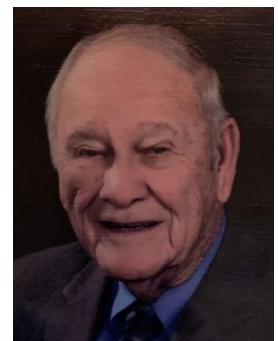


Survivors include her husband, William “Bill” Peter Vandervelde of the home; her guide dog “Phoenix”; daughters, Vicky Lynn Stuckey and Sherry Jean Dixon both of Burlington; step sons, Robert Vandervelde and wife, Myong of South Korea and Bill Vandervelde and wife, Christy of Kernersville; three grandchildren, four great grandchildren and one great great grandchild; four step grandchildren and two step great grandchildren; one brother and two sisters. A service to celebrate her life was held on Thursday, January 2, 2019 at the First Baptist Church of Burlington by Dr. Terry Peele. Burial followed at Alamance Memorial Park.



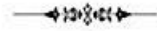
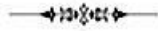
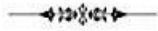
Marion Yarbrough. Memorial services for Marion M. Yarbrough, age 92 of Oakwood, were held at 11:00 AM on Wednesday, December 18, 2019 at Bethlehem Baptist Church, Clarkesville, Georgia. Dr. Craig Ward and Rev. Tommy Stowe officiated. The family received friends at the church prior to the service.

Born in Waycross, Georgia on July 5, 1927 Mr. Yarbrough was the son of the late Marion M. and Blanche L. Delk Yarbrough. He was a 1945 graduate of New Smyrna Beach High School and he was a United States Army Veteran having served in the Korean War. Mr. Yarbrough retired from Southern Bell Telephone Company with over 36 years of loyal service. He was a member and past president of the Daytona Beach Telephone Pioneers Association as well as he was a member and past president of Civitan International, Sunrise Chapter in Daytona Beach. Mr. Yarbrough was as an avid gardener and a member of Bethlehem Baptist Church where he enjoyed singing with the Singing Saints Choir. In addition to his parents, Mr. Yarbrough was preceded in death by his wife Margaret Yarbrough and brother Orin Yarbrough.

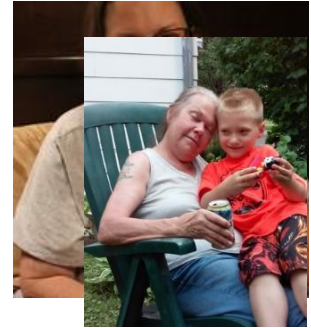


Survivors include daughter Elizabeth Lee Ayres of Suwanee, Georgia; son and daughter in law Richard M. “Rick” and Vera Yarbrough of Flowery Branch, Georgia; sister Betty Cole of Ponte Vedra, Florida;

sister and brother in law Iris Osteen and Milton Roth of Daytona Beach, Florida; sister in law Ann Yarbrough of Clearwater, Florida; grandchildren Angie Miller (Kris) of Newnan, Georgia, Lisa Allen of Orange Park, Florida, Lori Sargent of Grayson, Georgia and Jeremy Yarbrough (Dianny) of Buford, Georgia; as well as eight great grandchildren.



Karen Yarbrough. Karen Yarbrough, 54, of Nacogdoches passed away on Saturday, December 28, 2019 in Nacogdoches. She was born on August 29, 1965, the daughter of Judge J. Jack Yarbrough and Nancy Kay Graham Yarbrough. The Yarbrough family held a private service for her closest family and friends.

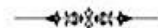
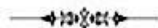


Karen was born in Denton, Texas and made East Texas her home when her family moved to Garrison on the family farm when she was 8 years old. From a very early age, Karen knew she loved being at the farm, and vowed to always return there. She spent many hours riding her favorite horse, “Choice” in the pastures at the farm. When she became older, Karen was like a mother to so many. Even Carl’s friends loved to spend time with his “cool” sister.

Karen’s love of the farm turned into a great enjoyment being outside and then to a complete love of any and all animals. Of course, her heart was drawn to cats and she always had a couple around. She loved Spooky, Cali, and Sunshine very much. Karen loved to travel and the times she spent with her dad at the casino were especially happy ones. She also enjoyed her quiet time with her mom, including learning her trade of applique and sewing with her at her shop in downtown Nacogdoches.

Karen found her true love when her son, Graham was born. She loved him without end and the joy he brought to her was endless. Together, they made a great team and from the time Graham was a young child, there wasn’t much they could not accomplish together. They enjoyed playing games, watching movies, and had a special bond with the cats, Aero and Meeko. Karen also made sure to instill a love of everything Disney in Graham. She took him there as often as she could and made some of the best memories each time they went.

Karen is survived by her son, Graham Yarbrough of Nacogdoches; mother, Nancy Kay Graham Yarbrough of Nacogdoches; father, Judge Jack Yarbrough and wife, Dorothy of Nacogdoches; and brother, Carl Yarbrough and wife, Amy of Monahans, Texas. She is also survived by her one and only nephew of whom she loved dearly, John “Bo” Yarbrough of Monahans, Texas and stepbrother, Ronnie Bush and wife, Karen of Nacogdoches and their daughters, Leslie and Lauren. She also leaves behind her special, lifelong friend, Tammy Miller Beard and husband Clay.



Virgil Yarbrough, Jr. Born Virgil Tedro Yarbrough Jr., Ted was raised on a dairy farm in Bastrop, Louisiana. After graduating high school, he joined the [U.S. Air Force](#) in December 1951. He was stationed at Hill Air Force Base in Ogden, Utah, where he became a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints and met and married his first wife.



The best thing to come from that marriage was his two daughters, Teresa Yarbrough Orton and Jennifer Yarbrough Williams. He was then transferred to Casablanca, Morocco, Montana, Michigan, Brigham City, and eventually Pocatello, Idaho as an Air Force recruiter. While on a month of leave, a good friend who was the manager at the Chevrolet dealership asked Ted to come sell cars for him. That experience ended a 17-year career in the Air Force and

began a 40-year career in the automobile industry. He saved money to purchase the Chrysler Plymouth dealership in 1970 and eventually got the Dodge, Dodge Truck, Honda, and Hyundai franchises as well.

He had one of the largest and most profitable dealerships in the Denver Zone. His employees knew him as a mentor and an honest and generous boss who always gave more than he received. By his side through all of that was his sweetheart, Wanda Moorehead, who he married in 2000. He sold the dealerships in 2001 and retired. He and Wanda spent their retirement years travelling all over the world.

A couple of his favorite trips were to China and an African Safari. They purchased a winter home in St. George, Utah, and spent the winters there until 2015 when they sold their home in Pocatello and moved to St. George full time. They served a mission in 2004 in the St. George Historic Sites Mission where he made many wonderful friends and was able to share his testimony of the restored gospel and the Savior.

He loved to fish, goose hunt, snowmobile, and set up his model trains. He held many positions in the church including Sunday School Teacher to the 14-year olds and Sunday School President. He was a proud member of the NRA, Ducks Unlimited, and Gate City [Rotary Club](#) in Pocatello. Ted also loved being a Dodge National Circuit Finals Rodeo sponsor for almost twenty years.

He is survived by his wife, Wanda, his daughter Jennifer (John) of Herriman, Utah; stepdaughter Dana (Gwen) of Boise, Idaho; grandkids Shaun, Shayla (Garret), Ryan (Julie), Elyse (Brad), Ashley (Anton), Adam (Erina), Brennan (Catherine), Laurel (Jordan); step grandchildren Matt (Holland), Andy (Abby), Katie (Jose); great grandchildren Annabelle, Jacqueline, Georgia, Livia, Ella, Jackson, Cooper, Pierce, Kennedy, Anya, Xander; and step great granddaughter Kalleigh. He is also survived by his siblings Jo Dupree, Jerry (Gerry) Yarbrough, and Jack Yarbrough.

He was preceded in death by his daughter Teresa, granddaughter Chelsea, sister in law Juanita, and sister in law Elsie, brother in law Jimmy, and his parents, Virgil Tedro Yarbrough Sr. and Wilma Nolan Yarbrough. Funeral services were held on Saturday, December 28, 2019 at the Bloomington Hills 6th Ward Building (750 East Ft Pierce Dr., St George, UT). A viewing was held on Friday, December 27, and Saturday, December 28. Ted received full military honors for his service to the country he loved.



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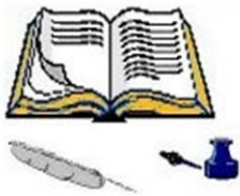
I hope everyone in our Yarbrough Family are well and if having had the virus, are recovering to full health. We have the best minds on the planet working on vaccines and some are in trials as of this date, although most expect a vaccine will not be available until after the first of 2021. As of today, we have 712,000 deaths in the World and 162,000 in our America. I put out the stats for those generations to come that will be reading the Quarterly archives. We thank the caregivers for all that they do for us.

Since the Pandemic, the Yarbrough Board of Directors Quarterly phone conferences have turned into Quarterly Zoom meetings and we all agree that it is much better to be face to face. We feel now that we have the capability of including the membership to the Zoom meetings and Leonard will send out a notice of Meeting to the membership. We have a tentative date for the 2021 Conference in Petersburg, Virginia, the month of October. Steve Yarbrough is the Conference coordinator and will be working with the Petersburg Historical Society to confirm the weekend.

With businesses opening back to limited operations, we are now just about ready to send our additional volumes over to the book binders in Greensboro, North Carolina this month. Please contact Leonard as to Family Reunions, Yarbrough News and anything that Yarbroughs might be worth mentioning this summer.

Stay Well!!!

Jim



Jottings... plus ça change, plus c'est la même chose.

It has been a strange (weird?) summer so far, with more than our fair share of rain, which is both a bane and a blessing. The bane has to do with the pervading Amazonian rain forest that the place has become. The blessing is that the pond is full, and the excess water has purged the pond of some nascent water plants that showed up last year. As there have been no strange boats in the pond, it seems that the new plant life has been contributed by the local avian population.

I have three major projects going on (note to self: do not do that again!) – indexing Marie Schaeffer's research notes and material, a new pier for the pond, and the addition to my workshop/shed/junior sized barn. Fortunately, two teen-aged brothers offered to rebuild the

pier in return for fishing privileges. They have been bringing their girlfriends along; both regularly catch larger and more fish than the boys, which I find amusing. The boys are less amused, of course, but I tell them that little humility is a good thing.

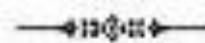
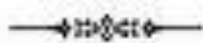
As Jim mentioned, we are going to broaden our regular meetings to include everyone (that wants to, of course), using the Zoom app. We have used the “free” version so far, and I have used it for some face to face time with my children. The penultimate page of this issue has information about setting up one’s PC, tablet or smartphone for using the app. A PC must have a camera, either built-in or attached, otherwise, only audio will be available.

The use of Zoom or similar apps will allow us to hold “mini” reunions and events other than Association business meetings. Fortunately, one does not have to be a computer whiz to set up and use Zoom, but a bit of practice is recommended.

Of course, no one knows what the state of the country will be by the time our 2021 conference time occurs. Best case scenario is we can get together without “social distancing” worst case, is that we end up with (mostly) the board members a perhaps a few others. We will at least have the capability to broadcast the agenda and whatever few activities we can provide.

I do not know which Chinaman cursed us with “May you live in an interesting time!” but if I catch him, I plan on a few unkind words with him behind the workshop.

— *Leonard*



Old Blandford Church, Petersburg, Virginia

FAMILY RECORDS

Leonard Yarbrough

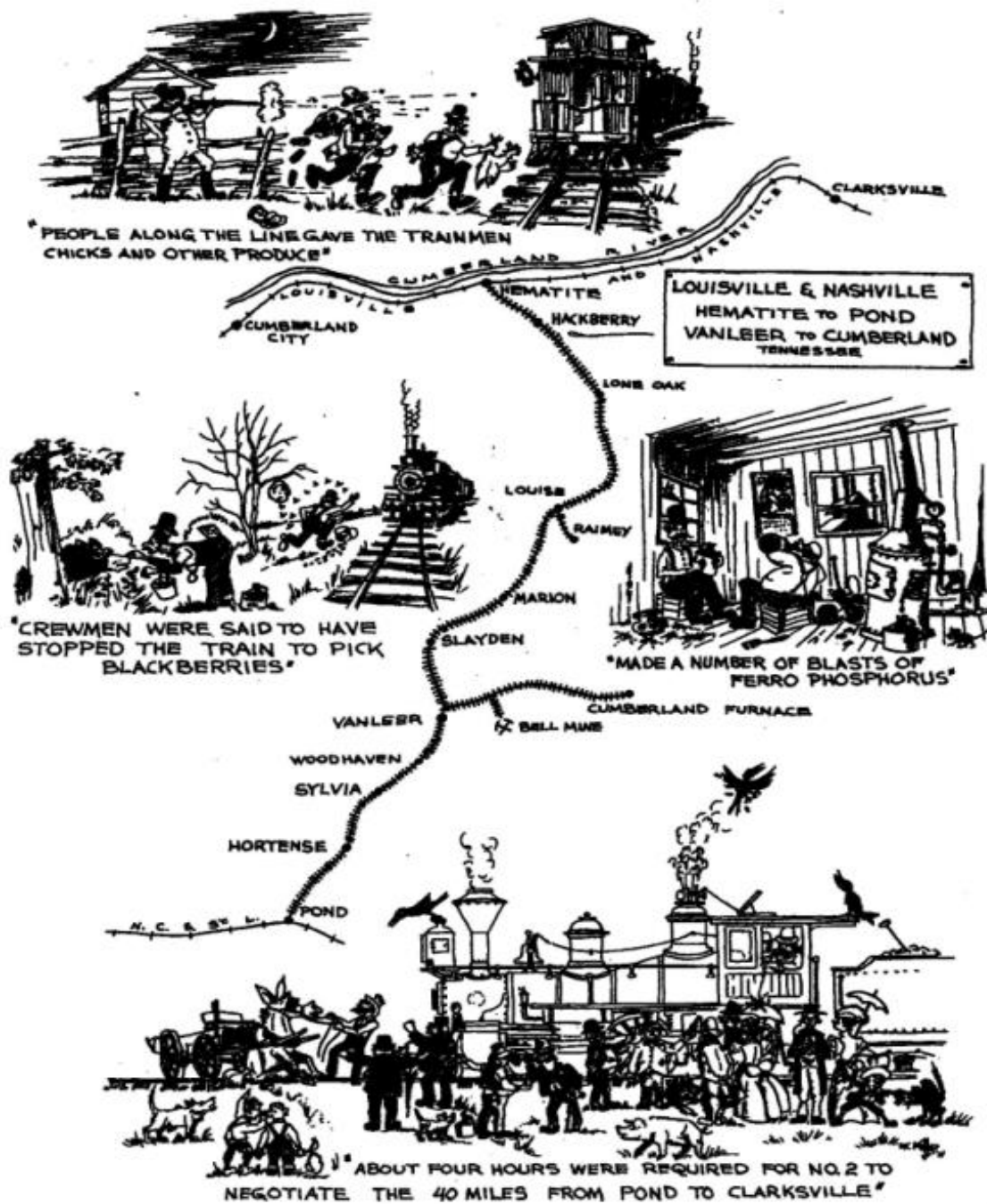
Presently, the YNGHA has 164 volumes of family records collected and provided by family researchers. At some point, these may be edited down to a smaller number, as there are duplicative volumes for several of our extended family lineages. This would be a Herculean task, but I believe it will eventually happen. In addition, we have several books about specific lines which are included in our record set, as well as volumes for the various family periodicals which have been published.

Recently, Marie Yarbrough Schaeffer, a longtime YNGHA member, donated her family records, which added another five volumes. These records are particularly note-worthy, as they include correspondence and stories about the various twigs, limbs and branches of her family tree. These latter records provide a glimpse into the lives of our ancestors that adds a richness to her records that a pedigree chart, family group page or family tree cannot convey. The following material is taken from Marie's records. As usual, the reader is reminded that he/she should provide his own due diligence regarding the veracity of family records, especially family records compiled more than fifteen or twenty years ago. This is particularly true of our early colonial records. As much as we all wish it were otherwise, we simply do not have the records to show the actual relationships between and among the first two or three generations of Yarbroughs in the New World.

Of course, things get even murkier when considering our English ancestors, thanks to Henry the Eighth and other British regents. We can make inferences with some of these ancestors, but in the final analysis, we simply do not know, and DNA cannot help very much, given that the head of the House of Yarborough was from time to time filled by a non-Yarborough.

In spite of that, ours is a rich family heritage, and we are fortunate indeed to have a lineage that extends back into the middle ages. Furthermore, ours is a family whose members apparently kept in contact, wherever times and circumstances took them. As an example, I have lately been following our allied Hudson family. Their lines are much more complicated by both British and Germanic branches of the family, who may or may not be related. Naturally, they also have to contend with the customary usage of same or similar given names for children. It's not Uncle George who gives one a migraine – it is also Uncles John, Richard, Paul, Henry, Edward and William; Aunts Mary, Martha, Elizabeth, Louise and Sarah; Brothers Robert, John, William, Thomas and Moses; and sisters Sallie, Anna, Ann, Anabelle, Ellender, Florence, and Alma. Yet, the more we learn of our lineage, the more we realize how incredibly fortunate we are to be the Yarbrough Families.

The next two illustrations introduce Marie Schaeffer's records. Indexing her material was an extended effort, mostly because the editor kept being drawn into reading Aunt Ora's letters and other material. For some reason, I cannot be a bit abashed over these lapses of editorial integrity. I hope everyone finds as much enjoyment from her records as I have.



Pictorial Snapshot of Life in Hackberry & Environs

Buster (O. W.), Pearl & sons
lived on top floor.

One year (1937), flood waters rose to
top of porch. Customers would come
by boat to shop on second floor.



Hackberry Store (about 4 miles south
of the Cumberland River)

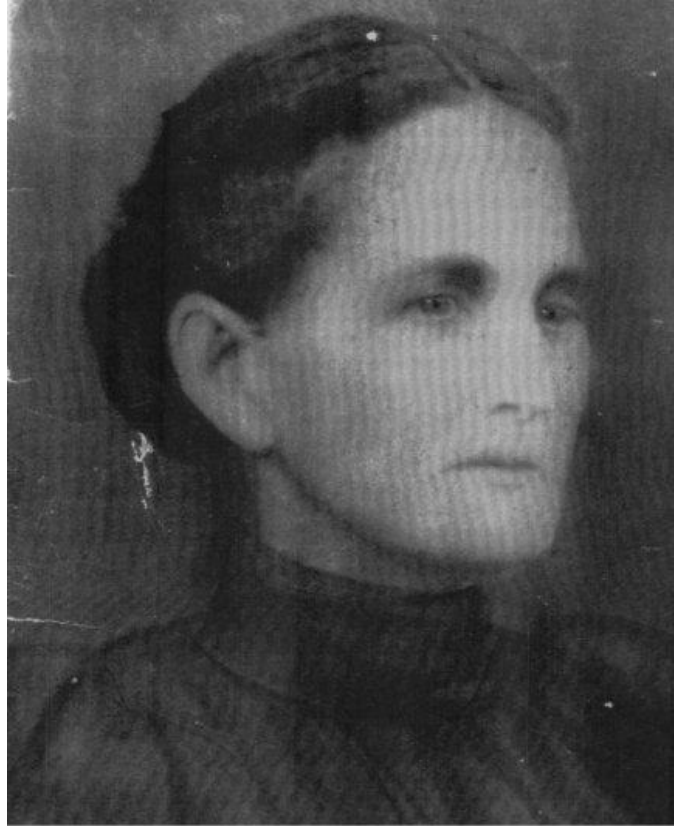
Gas Tank was here.

Four Generations of Daughters

(These photographs speak for themselves.)



Mary Hunt Yarbrough



Amanda Yarbrough Kennedy - Mary Hunt Yarbrough's Daughter



**Emma Kennedy Fain
Amanda Yarbrough Kennedy's Daughter**



**Stella Fain Hansford
Emma Kennedy Fain's Daughter**

Civil War Letter
Letter from Henry Yarbrough to C. C. Cocke¹

The following letter is a copy of the original one written by Henry Yarbrough of Humphreys County, to his son-in-law, Christopher Corlew Cooke, of Montgomery County, in the year 1861. This letter is owned now by his granddaughter, Mrs. L. H. Clinard, Springfield, Tennessee.

C. C. Cocke
Pleasant Mound, Tenn.
Dec. 27/61.

Chris.

Our family is tolerable well. The boys (our negroes) have had chills, but I have **missed** them. I wrote you the **day** of our drawing, but have not received your answer.

Our soldiers are at Fort Donaldson. Mike Hunt died at Fort Donaldson on the 24th. and was buried today at L. C. M. Lewis. Esq. Patterson died at the fort the same day Mr. Hunt died. Mrs. Reid Booker died Saturday before last, and today they buried Mrs. Jarrell, All died with pneumonia.

I expect Sally to come to Montgomery. so our place will be to let out.

I have just finished gathering corn, made the rise of 500 barrells by actual measurement. I have not killed my hogs yet.

Will kill next -week if **we** have a spell to suit.

We have had a draft among the negroes here to go to Fort Donaldson to ditch. They made a call for 130 from this County, and when they were counted up, there was but 146 in the County. Esq. C. E. Harris detailed every negro in the County, leaving one at every place where they have negroes. So there was 3 of mine detailed to go. I was a little too sharp. I called in Dr. Wilkerson, gave them, (who) gave them some physic, and then gave me a certificate. I enclosed it to Gen. Tillman and kept my sick negroes at home, so you understand how that trick was worked off. There are some that begrudged us our negroes and would be glad they were all taken to the fort to die.

I think it will be about 2 weeks before Horace and Fleas come up, on account of shoes and clothing. Bryant has been making boots all the fall for soldiers, and our family with the rest of the neighbors is barefooted.

Billy Poyner is expected to die at the fort. Brother Sam is there now waiting on him. Harriett is but very little better, if any. Josiah expects to come up in January. Hook is well, and got a bad case on hand, a woman in child-bed. She is so bad he has not been over this Christmas. He was

¹ Excerpt from Volume 170 of the **Blandford Series of Family Records** Copied by Mrs. Louise M, Herndon, Springfield, Tennessee – December 1, 1938.

to have been over on Christmas Day to go deer hunting. As it was, me and Billy drove the Gumpond drive and I went to the foot of Cyprus pond with my double barrell shot gun loaded with turkey shot, wadded with a rifle ball. He drove out 3, a 4 point buck, a doe, and a spy. They failed to run the gap, but came down the side next the design. I saw them coming and I was in the wrong place, and my horse also was in the wrong place. I ran to my horse, and they never discovered me or my horse, at this time they were cropping the end of the pond, going towards the by road. I was in about 50 or 60 yds. I cocked both barrells, leveled on the buck and fired both barrells at once. Nobody could distinguish but one gun at the crack. I turned him over, shot 1 rifle ball and 3 shots through the lights, one shot through the spine. The other ball broke the fore leg bone through the knee. Charles has killed one turkey with her and Bob Dickson his dog.

Write soon as this comes to hand.

H. Yarbrough



Picture of Thirteen Kids Taken by Thomas W. (Coonie) Arms²

² Taken in the early to mid-1930s. Names are left to right with each person in order of appearance from left to right with no emphasis on row

The Thirteen Kids:

1. 3rd row, Girl holding bottom of dress - Pauline Maynard - 1/2 niece of Sam Yarbrough (Pop)
2. 4th row - Boy on back row in jacket, shirt buttoned up to top - Robert Earl Maynard - 1/2 nephew of Pop
3. Girl on 2nd row, flowered jacket - Francis Lane - Pop/s niece's daughter (Great niece?)
4. Boy in hat on 3rd row - Carl Potter - Pop's 1/2 nephew
5. Little boy in middle on front row - Robert Lane (Poley) - Pop's great nephew
6. Boy in middle on second row - Ray Jarman (from family of Arlene Jarman Arms, Coonie's wife)
7. Boy in back row in the middle, wearing aviator's cap - Roy Slayden Yarbrough, probably 14 – 16 years old.
8. Boy on second row, shading eyes - Buddy Lane - Pop's great nephew
9. Black haired girl on 3rd row, dark jacket - Nancy Jarman
10. Boy on back row with Pop's hand on his head - Dale Jarman
11. Girl in second row white collar on dress - Margaret Potter - Gene Ellis' wife - she had old picture of Alexander Yarbrough and family - daughter of Doug Potter and Effie Yarbrough Potter
12. Girl in third row - Arlene Jarman
13. Girl in 2nd row with cloth hat - Betty Turner - Pop's great niece



Mack, Staton & Bettie Yarbrough



*Marvin Yarbrough and his father,
Joseph Nelson Yarbrough (Mack)*

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As mentioned before, creating indices for Marie Schaeffer's papers was a challenge – not because of her record keeping but because I kept trying to read everything in them! Pictures and captions such as these scream for attention, and I am too easily tempted.



Hackberry (Celtis occidentalis)

The hackberry, often forgotten by casual consumers, is “one tough tree.” Found on a wide range of soils east of the Rockies from southern Canada to Florida, it thrives in a wide range of temperatures and in an annual rainfall from 14” to 60”. They can also withstand strong winds and tolerate air pollution. It is a good landscaping choice, as it requires almost no maintenance, whatever the location.



Aunt Ora's Stories

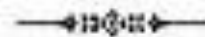
(Marie & Aunt Ora Talking) I talked to Aunt Ora tonight to wish her a Happy Birthday, (___J, She told me not to tell anybody how old she was, so I told her that I wouldn't and that way we would "juist keep' em guessing ". Aunt Ora laughed as she liked the idea of doing that. Now Aunt Ora mentioned "Aunt Betty" from time to time so I asked her who Aunt Betty was and she replied that Aunt Betty was Uncle John (Guinea) Baggett's Wife, Uncle John was her Mother's Brother. They had children that Aunt Ora and her brothers and sisters played with, Their names were Cora, Clara, Louise, Sarah, Louie, Isham was the oldest and James Edgar was the youngest. Now Aunt Betty's favorite by word was, "and sech as that" This tickled Aunt Ora for it sounded so funny to her.

There was a colored family that lived near by that worked for her daddy, the man worked on the farm and his wife helped her mother. They had children who helped out from time to time. The man's name was Lawson Kilgore and his wife was called "Visey". One time some of the Yarbrough boys were sick and one of the Kilgore boys came over and kept the fires going all night and set up with the sick boys. Now "Visey" would gather the kids in and tell them Fairy Tales and Ghost Stories, All the kids loved it.

We took Aunt Ora down to Huntsville, Al. to visit her brother who was in the hospital (Uncle Newell). On this trip as on others, we carried along a jug of water, thermos of coffee, sandwiches and homemade fried pies. Aunt Ora, as much taken with the way we travel as she expressed her dislike for eating in restaurants. This led to her telling the following stories, Aunt Ora's husband (Uncle Maury) worked for the Iglehart Milling Co. and when they went out of business he became a traveling salesman for the Colorado Milling Co. of Atlanta, Ga. Aunt Ora went on a lot of his trips out of town so she had first hand experience with bad food.

On one of the trips Uncle Maury was driving a little too fast to suit Aunt Ora and she called his hand on it. Of course he denied it and said something to the effect that if she could do better he would let her, So she took over the driving with the intention of driving at a "safe speed" when the notion took her that he did not think she could drive fast, So she pushed the gas pedal down as far as she dared and when he got the car back he did not speed again.

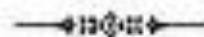
Uncle Maury's health became such that he had to give up his traveling job and go to work for Garvin Furniture Co. on Franklin St. Aunt Ora told of the time that Iron beds became popular though Daddy said they didn't need one Mother prevailed and after he swapped out the old one for the new one He took the old one out back and chopped it up for fire wood. (*It was a real pretty Jenny Lynn bed.*)



We are on the way back to Huntsville, Al. to Uncle Newell's funeral and Aunt Ora remembers how the Twins (Jewell and Newell) loved to pick on her, and tells of how they would throw rocks at the outhouse door to keep her from coming out, she would scream until her mother would come to her rescue. She played ball with them and loved

them dearly. But when they got mad at her, they would "sic" their dog on her. Aunt Ora's nickname was "Sleepy" and thinks that her Daddy gave it to her, and relates the following story as the reason.

Aunt Ora said her daddy would come to her bed room every morning and call to her "Wake Up!, Wake Up!", Then he would go milk, when he came back to the house he would find her still in bed asleep. So he called her "Sleepy" for being such a sleepy head. No matter where they traveled, Uncle Maury would always introduce her as "Sleepy," Now one time when she was introduced as "Sleepy": "the man said that is the Damnest name I ever heard." Uncle Maury never called her "Ora" for she was always his, "Sleepy"



There was two big apple trees (Yellow pound apples) down in the bottom, down from their house. When the kids would come in from school, they would have to pick up apples in the fall when they were ripe. When Grandpa (James) Baggett was over visiting, he would help pick up apples. He would walk over the hill and stay several days at a time. When Henry Y. (Aunt Ora's Daddy) moved his family to Hackberry, Grandpa would walk down there and stay several days he lived with his son Zeddie Baggett and Parthinia Y. Baggett. Grandpa was a "little bity skinny man" People told Aunt Ora she was just like her Mother, and everyone said Herman and Clara looked like her Daddy Henry Y.

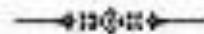
Aunt Ora told of her Mama being sick in bed with a sick headache. It seems that year Christmas day fell on Sunday, Her Mama had cleaned and cooked cakes, pies, candies, hams etc. for Christmas. They had all planned to go to church on Sunday morning (Christmas day) but her Mother got up with a sick headache and had to stay in bed all day. (She had overworked.)

Aunt Ora remembers her Mother telling about the times when she was a young girl, the young folks would go to their neighbors' homes and have dances, her Mother told her that she would dance all night almost every Sat. night. When Aunt Ora and Uncle Maury married, she only weighted 87 lbs. and Uncle Maury only 175 lbs. They went to Niagara Falls on their Honeymoon, Went by train. Uncle Maury had an Aunt Jesse Weaver that married John Davis from Hackberry No children by this marriage The John Davis place sat on a hill beside the Jim Broome place and Aunt Ora believed the house was moved down near Palmyra.

Hackberry was a booming place when Aunt Ora was a little (she's 97 now) girl. They had a school, two grocery stores, a Post Office, and a livery stable that was ran by her Daddy and Mr. Jim Broome. Her Uncle Jones Yarbrough had a grist mill and blacksmith shop and a Train that ran thru Hackberry twice a day. The local church was Cumberland Presbyterian It was first Methodist in the late 1800's. The farmers were still using Mules to plow with at this time.

The Brother of Mrs. Timmons, (he was a Baggett) lived in the little house behind the livery stable. The brother moved out one night and set fire to the house. Aunt Ora and her Daddy Henry went out on the back porch that night and saw the smoke near his stable He ran into the house and told them his stable was on fire and he had to go help Jim get the Mules out, got into his car and left, when he got there it was the little house that was on fire and he was so relieved.

Her Daddy saw Dr. Wickham shoot Mr. Baggett as he was getting on the Train at Hackberry. The Train had to stay there until the law got there. It seems the two men had been having words before this. Dr. Wickham served time for this don't know how much. (Mr. Baggett was the Daddy of Mrs. Julia Timmons) Her daddy told the family about it at supper.



Leonard Davis who married Aunt Susie (Lucinda Susan Baggett) was a drunk and would go to town and stay all day, On these days He would stop by their house late at night drunk, and stand out in the front yard hollowing Henry!, Henry!, until Her Daddy would get up and let him in and put him to bed. Nobody saw him, until the next morning, he would come down for breakfast and look just fine.

Aunt Ora told about her Mother (Adline) losing her wide gold wedding band in the garden at the home place at lone oak. Said her daddy bought her Mama another just like it since they weren't able to find it. They moved to a house in Hackberry and Clarence and Julia (Their oldest son) moved into the home place at Lone Oak. Clarence's Daughter Elizabeth was working in the garden and found the lost wedding band.

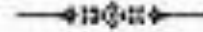
Told her mama always put a little red hot pepper in the cabbage when she cooked. It made the cabbage so good. Aunt Ora said she puts it in her cabbage too. Aunt Ora said that when they lived at Lone Oak they went to Sunday school which was held in the School house, Mr. Orgain was Superintendent at that time Preaching was held once a Month at the Locust Grove Church in Hackberry. We rode to Church in a Surrey, a two seater with top. Later on, her Dad bought a car. Her Daddy and Mr. Broome was in business before they moved to Hackberry, every spring her daddy would go to St. Louis or Chicago and buy a box car load of Mules and have them shipped to Hackberry. All the Neighbors would gather to see the train unload the Mules (a booming place back then).



I asked her about my father Herman being in partners with a Biter man Owning a grocery store at Lone Oak, She said "Oh Yes". Her daddy put up Herman's half and Ike Biter's Uncle put up his part. It was located across the railroad from the Morgan store. They weren't in business long, they couldn't make a go of it. Rumor has it that the Biter man took all the profits and left Herman, Henry, and Biter's uncle holding the bag. It really upset the uncle to lose all that money. Her daddy hated losing money too but he was a business man and knew you could lose money as well as make money.

She told of having to give a report in her Sunday school class one time. She read the report over and over again from a book until she had it memorized. After she gave it in class, one of the ladies (a school teacher) commented on what a good job she had done. That "...she hadn't had to look at her book one time while giving the report" Said she had heard her Daddies people were of an Irish decent. Her Grandma Milly Yarbrough lived in a big house with a big open hall way through it. It was near her Daddies place at Lone Oak on what is now called Vernon's creek, but

believed it was called Bud's creek back then. At the back of Grandma's house ran a railroad, and she remembers seeing the train go by. It ran out in the morning and back in the evening. She didn't remember her Grandpa Yarbrough. After her Dad moved the family to Hackberry, Grandma Milly would come down and stay for weeks at a time, with them. Said Grandma Milly was a fat woman.



When Momma killed hogs, she gave the chitlins to the Black women who worked for her. Momma cooked lunch for Daddy every day. Daddy would come home about 11:30 or 12:00 from his business with Mr. Broome. Momma never knew who was coming home with daddy. Daddy would stop his business and ask whoever was there if they would like to come home to lunch with him. Those who had manners would say no. One day Momma was away and had cooked lunch daddy came home with this man, and I had to make coffee. I had never made it before and it turned out weak. When I poured it for the man, my daddy said it looked mighty weak. Dad never drank coffee in the day, only in the morning.

Told of her Father (Henry) building the big white house in Hackberry. It had 5 bed rooms, when he bought the place it was a one room log house with a lean to for a kitchen. He tore the lean to down and built around the log house to create an 8 room house with 3 porches and a wide entrance hall. Bill asked Aunt Ora if "Ora" was all of her name, she said yes, she had asked her Mother one time and her Mother told her that her daddy named her after one of his old girl friends. (Do suppose this is why she was such a "Daddy's girl")

Aunt Ora said her Mother was real particular about her food and so was Jewell. Momma had a head of lettuce that had turned black. Aunt Ora after trimming off the black started cutting up the rest, but Aunt Gertrude stopped her and told her to throw it away for Mom would not eat any of that lettuce.

Told about visiting her Mamma's Sister Aunt Susan. Her Daddy (Henry) would take them to Aunt Susan's to spend the day and then come back for them. They weren't allowed to spend the night. She reckoned it was because Uncle Len drank a lot. Aunt Susan had cold black hair and was a little woman, but a little taller than Momma. Aunt Ora said her Mother had cold black hair as well as herself. When she was a young girl, she would sit on the front porch and swing. As for Sidney, Lyle would walk by and would always speak to her. He would always say, "Hi Crow".

One time Mrs. Staton Davis was in Hackberry visiting Mrs. Beulah Broome and saw Aunt Ora and her "black hair" - and asked Mrs. Broome if Ora dyed her hair because it was so black.

Aunt Ora told of her and her friend Mrs. Alma Miller making sandwiches for the U.S.O. Club on College st. "For those soldier boys from Camp Campbell, Aunt Ora is a long time member of the Progressive Study Club and had to give reports on different subjects. One of her reports was on Rivers which, was many pages long. She is 98 and still an active member going to meetings when someone picks her up.

Aunt Ora said when her family lived at Hackberry. Her daddy brought home a yellow pony and a yellow pony cart and a saddle to fit it. He showed them how to hook up the pony and how to

unhook it and also how to saddle and unsaddle the pony. He told them that after learning to do this they could do this by themselves. Said she would saddle up the pony and ride around the neighborhood. Told about her daddy playing the piano some. He sent Aunt Ora to Clarksville by train to get piano lessons. Her mother loved flowers, always had a flower garden.

Anut Ora said, one time she went to Nashville shopping with some friends and when she got home (about 9:00PM) there sat Maury and Herman Hicks at the table. He had invited Herman for supper and didn't tell Aunt Ora. She had to go into the kitchen and cook for them. She wasn't hungry one bit. She ate with the girls in Nashville before coming home.



What We Are Doing...

Linda Kay Yarborough. Linda was born February 16, 1945, in Atlanta, Georgia, the only daughter of Newell Dudley Yarborough and Katie Wilmouth Durrwachter Yarborough of Montgomery County, Tennessee. Newell and Katie met in Hackberry, where Katie was the 'Schoolteacher. Kay (she went by Kay since the third grade, when there were 10 Lindas in the class) graduated in 1962 from Decatur High School with the highest grade point average in her class, and received a scholarship to the University of Chicago, where she graduated in 1965 with general honors (magna cum laude). She worked as an editor for Science Research Associates in Chicago and then transferred to the company's College Division in Palo Alto, where she edited college textbooks and eventually became Editorial Manager.

In the Eighties, she became a freelance editor and columnist for various high-tech publications such as Computer Life, DOS World, Home Office Computing, and many others. She also worked as an editor for several publishing companies, and ultimately (in the Nineties) wrote about 36 books of her own on topics such as computer operating systems (DOS, Windows, Macintosh). These were quite popular (some made the *New York Times'* computer book bestseller list) and were translated into 19 different languages, including German, Japanese, Hebrew, and Polish. She is listed in Marquis *Who's Who* as well as *Who's Who in the World*.

She married Raymond Nelson in 1978. He was a theoretical physicist at SRI International (formerly known as the Stanford Research Institute). He was 20 years her senior and a Navy veteran of World War II. Ray died of cancer in 2010. They had no children. Kay lives with her 8 cats on their 30-acre ranch near Pescadero, California (a town much like Hackberry on the coast south of San Francisco). She grows her own vegetables and volunteers at the local theater company (Coastal Repertory Theater of Half Moon Bay. She also volunteers at the local children's charity thrift shop in Pescadero.

In 1998, Kay received a Congressional Citation for service to the local community. She sang for many years in the church choir of Pescadero Community Church and enjoys singing Sacred Harp music.



Edward M Yarbrough. Edward Yarbrough began his legal career serving as an assistant district attorney. Three years later, he began working in private practice. Ed has been a successful trial lawyer in Nashville for more than 40 years. Today, he focuses on dmajor criminal cases. He also helps clients with government investigations, personal injury, dispute resolution, and civil litigation for plaintiffs and defendants.



In 2007, Ed was appointed U.S. Attorney for the Middle District of Tn. Ed is well known for his time of service as a state and federal prosecutor. Ed is an award-winning lawyer and expert in his field. He was elected a fellow of the American College of Trial Lawyers. In 2011, he received the first Criminal Justice Section Service Award from the Tennessee Bar Association. The Nashville Bar Association awarded him with the Jack C. Norman Sr. award for excellence in criminal law. Recently Ed was honored by the Nashville Bar Association with the CLE Excellence Award for his leadership and dedication to continuing legal education.

While in college, Ed served as editor-in-chief of the student newspaper, *The Sou'wester*. As editor-in-chief, he learned law and politics were at the epicenter of American life and a career in the legal profession would keep him in the thick of the action. The desire to be on the front lines served him well as an infantry lieutenant in the U.S. Army. He was a ceremonial platoon leader at Arlington National Cemetery and received the Bronze Star and Combat Infantry Badge for his service in Vietnam.

Ed graduated from Vanderbilt School of Law and Rhodes College. More than anything, he values his faith, family, and work and in that order. He and his wife, Cindy, have three children, Charles, Robert and Allison. Since the age of 15, Ed has explored caves across the United States, Mexico, and Honduras. He also enjoys taking photographs, particularly of his caving expeditions with his Nikon cameras. His photography collection consists of more than 17,000 Kodachrome slides and more than 6,000 negatives.

Dorothy Rose Yarber. Ozarks Medical Center in West Plains welcomed Dorothy Rose Yarber at 2:15 a.m. New Year's Day. Dorothy was the first baby born at the hospital in 2020. From left: delivering physician Dr. Brian Isreal, OMC Women's Health Care, father Jayce Yarber holding the newest member of the Yarber family, and mother Annalise Yarber with a gift basket presented by OMC Obstetrics and Public Relations Departments.



The first baby born in 2020 at Ozarks Medical Center (OMC) arrived at 2:15 a.m. New Year's Day. Dorothy Rose Yarber, daughter of Jayce and Annalise Yarber of Mtn. View, weight in at 8 pounds, 13 ounces and was 22 inches ling.

The new arrival was welcomed by her parents and delivering physician Dr. Brian Israel of OMC Women's Health Care. As the first baby of the New Year, Dorothy was presented with a gift basket from the OMC Obstetrics and Public Relations Departments that included diapers, sleepers, supplies and blankets.

Dorothy's grandparents are Judd and Lisa Barslow, and Roland and Tami Yarber, all of West Plains.



Anna Smith Yarborough. Anna Smith Yarborough of Charlotte, NC and Timothy Hugh Gaymon, Jr. of Charlotte, NC were married on Saturday, Feb. 1, 2020 at Crane Cottage at the historic Jekyll Island Club Resort in Jekyll Island, GA.

The Reverend Megan Augustine Boatwright of Knoxville, TN officiated at the wedding. Reverend Boatwright is the wife of Brandon Boatwright, the bride's first cousin.



The bride, formerly of Edgefield, SC, is the daughter of Herbert and Susan Yarborough. She is a maternal granddaughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Frank Boyce Boatwright, Jr. and a paternal granddaughter the late Mr. and Mrs. William Glenn Yarborough. Mary Caroline Yarborough of Charlotte, NC, sister of the bride, was the Maid of Honor.



Lilly White Yarbrough. Lilly White Yarbrough, 15, has lived a stressful childhood, having been abandoned by her mother when she was 6 years old. She attended 10 schools before high school. White says her home life was so difficult that she asked the Hubert Yarborough family in Tangipahoa Parish to adopt her.

The Yarboroughs have been in the dairy business for more than 100 years and have a history of showing dairy animals that goes back about 15 years when their son was in school.

Hubert and Donna Yarborough said they had always wanted a daughter. Because they didn't have one, they say Lilly is a "godsend." The Yarborough farm is near Kentwood, where Hubert Yarborough and his sisters grew up. He now milks 74 cows on the 200-acre dairy. When discussing Lilly's work ethic, Hubert Yarborough said he has no problem helping people that want to help themselves. "Lilly is a worker. She didn't have any dairy experience when she came to us less than a year ago, but you couldn't tell that now," he said.

Lilly grew up in a rural area near Rayville, so she's not totally lost in the country, she said. "I gre up on a hunting farm," she said. "We just had deer and other wild animals."

LSU AgCenter 4-H agent Megan Roberts said Lilly is different because some of the other students have a little bit of an advantage. “Last week was the first time that she participated with livestock at our parish show, and now here she is at the district show,” Roberts said. “Overall, she’s just a good kid despite what she’s been through.”

Roberts said Lilly is in a good, stable environment now with the Yarboroughs, and she believes Lilly will be successful. So far, the setbacks in her life have not hurt her in the show ring. Lilly won first place with her heifer and third place with her cow at the Southeast District Livestock show in Covington. She is now headed to the statewide LSU AgCenter Livestock Show in Gonzales.

In addition to working on the dairy, Lilly said she already has a plan for her life once she finishes high school. “I like working on the farm, but when I grow up, I want to be a welder in one of the plants,” she said. In addition to a difficult family life, Lilly also is dyslexic. “I never let it get me down, but it has been a challenge at times when I read and try to comprehend,” she said. “Sometimes I can understand better when someone reads to me because I see some words and numbers in reverse.”

In a strange twist of events, Lilly recently learned that she will have special guests at the state livestock show in Gonzales. Her birth mom plans to come and watch Lilly show her dairy animals. “Even though I have not seen my mom but five or six times since I was six years old, she is still my mom and I love her,” Lilly said. Hubert and Donna Yarborough had Lilly invite her mom to come to visit and see where she is living and how happy and well she was doing. So on Jan. 18, Lilly’s mom came and spent the day with her.

“Lilly’s mom told us she would love to come see her again, and we would like to see her have a relationship with her mother, and we don’t have a problem with that,” Donna Yarborough said.



Lilly has invited her mom to come to the state show in Gonzales, and she told Lilly she would be there to see her show. Her sister whom she has not seen in two years also plans to be there.

David Yarbrough. David Yarbrough is a product of the Carrollton Farmers Branch ISD. Now he feels it is his time to give back to the district that educated him by running for Place 2 on the school board. Yarbrough is looking to take the district "from good to great." He feels that it is time for a fresh set of eyes to look at the problems facing the district and he wants to offer new ideas to move the district forward.

"I have lived in Carrollton for 31 years. I want to serve the community and I looked to see where I could make the biggest impact," Yarbrough said. "I currently have two boys in the district. I want them to have the same pride and education that I had when I went through the district."

Yarbrough feels he can better the district by addressing the current issues such as the budget. He feels the district should cut excessive spending and focus on students. In addition, he feels that teachers are vital to the district and should be allowed to teach since they are interacting with students every day.

"The district needs a new vision and you do not get that with the same board," Yarbrough said. "Do not get me wrong, I feel like our current board has done a great job, but I feel you need fresh ideas every so often. I feel it is that time." Yarbrough wants to get the entire community involved in the district, even those who do not have a student in the district. He wants to get feedback from the community then apply that to make both the school board and the district happy.

"I want people to seek out C-FB ISD as a place they want to bring the family and have their kids grow up," he said. "It was important to my family, and I want it to be important to others." Yarbrough started at Davis Elementary and went through the district where he graduated from Newman Smith High School in 1992. He and wife, Jennifer, have been married for 15 years and have two boys who both go to Davis Elementary.



In Memoriam



John E. Yarbrough. John E. Yarbrough, age 69, peacefully passed from this earthly life to his heavenly home on June 11, 2020 at his Jackson residence. John was born in Jackson, TN, October 2, 1950. He was the son of the late Herron and Lurlyne Meeks Yarbrough. John's passion was his career and those that he was associated with as Director of Physical Medicine and Rehab at Jackson Madison County General Hospital, having been honored in 2006 with the West Tennessee Health-care President's Award. He was named Alumnus of the year of Lambuth College in both 1995 and 2014 and served on the Board of Directors for University of Memphis - Lambuth for 3 years. He was President of the Tennessee Physical Therapy Association for several years and was given the TPTA Outstanding Service Award in 2001. He was also presented the TPTA Hall of Fame Award in 2013. He was a member of First United Methodist Church, where he served on numerous committees and boards and was currently Co-President of the Family Life Forum Sunday school class.

John is survived by his wife, Carolyn Brown Yarbrough of Jackson, TN; his son, Patrick Yarbrough and wife Holly of Memphis, TN; his daughter, Julie Terrell and husband Don of Hernando, MS; his brothers, Joe Yarbrough, Glenn Yarbrough and Harrison Yarbrough of Jackson, TN and five grandchildren, Bailey Terrell, Noel Terrell, Jake Yarbrough, Seth Yarbrough and Maddox Yarbrough.

His funeral service was held Monday, June 15, 2020 in the chapel of Arrington Funeral Directors with Dr. David Comperry, Dr. Sky McCracken, Dr. Eddie Bromley and Mr. Dave Bratcher officiating. Burial followed in Hollywood Cemetery. The family received friends on Monday, June 15, 2020 prior to the service at Arrington Funeral Directors.

Pallbearers for the service were Bryan Thorne, Herron Yarbrough, Bill Yarbrough, Bob Sadowski, Ralph Hickman and Brian Dougan. The family requested that memorial contributions be directed to the University of Memphis - Lambuth c/o the John Edwin



Yarbrough Scholarship, West TN Healthcare Foundation, 620 Skyline Drive, Jackson, TN 38305 or First United Methodist Church 200 S. Church Street, Jackson, TN 38301.

Gwen Hickman. Gwen G. Hickman (nee Dueringer) passed away peacefully on Saturday, July 4, 2020 in her 95th year. The daughter of the late George Dueringer and Ida Yarbrough, she was the devoted wife of the late Joseph F. Hickman and loving mother of [Jackie Baddeley](#) and Clark Hickman. She was the proud grandmother of [Adrian Miller](#), Aaron Miller and [Jenna Baddeley Teves](#) and was great-grandmother to [Isadora](#), Arabelle and Roxy Miller. Our loving mother-in-law, aunt, cousin, and friend to many.

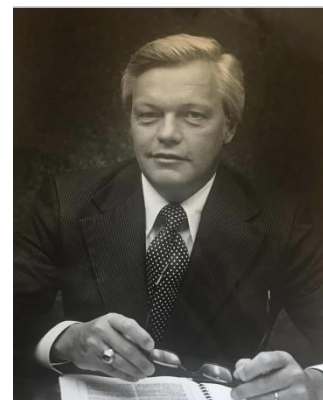
She worked for over 40 years as a PBX operator at Southwestern Bell Telephone (now AT&T) and United Van Lines (now UniGroup). After retirement, she volunteered as a computer tutor at Laclede Groves retirement community where she lived.

Funeral services were at Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Lutheran Senior Services Living Foundation, 1150 Hanley Industrial Court, St. Louis, MO 63144 or to a charity of choice.



Lyle Fredrick Wolf. Lyle Fredrick Wolf, (88), of Lexington, KY, passed away peacefully on June 20, 2020 at his home with family at his side. A private graveside funeral service will be held at Lexington Cemetery. Mark Davis, Pastor at First Presbyterian Church will officiate. Arrangements are by Milward Funeral Home, Lexington.

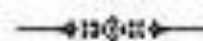
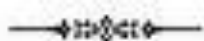
Lyle was born in Trenton, NJ to Fred Henry and Celia Sophers Wolf on March 22, 1932. He grew up in Nashville, TN and attended West End High School; where he met his life-long love; the former Elaine Hayes Yarbrough. They were married on June 17, 1954 in Nashville. He graduated with a BS in Engineering from Vanderbilt University, where he was a member of Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity. Soon after marrying, the newlyweds moved to Dallas, TX for his first job with Chance-Vaught Aircraft. They returned to Lexington in 1956, where he worked for J. Stephen Watkins Engineers. In 1965, Lyle co-founded G. Reynolds Watkins Consulting Engineers (now GRW Engineers), where in 1967 he was named President. Over the ensuing 25 years, he built one of the most successful engineering firms in Kentucky. He retired from GRW in 1992. His professional accolades include Chairman KY/TN Section American Water Works Association; where he was honored with the George Warren Fuller Award for his lifetime of service to the water works profession, Chairman Kentucky Society of Professional Engineers, and Board Member of the Kentucky River Authority.



Lyle was very active in civic and charitable organizations including Board Chairmanships for Hospice of the Bluegrass, The Lexington Hearing and Speech Center, the Lafayette Club, the Woodson Bend Condominium Owners Association, and the Island Association. He was a Founding

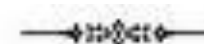
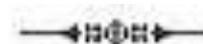
Board Member of the Triangle Foundation, and served on boards for the Bank of Lexington, the Lexington Rotary Club, the Boy Scouts of America, and United Way of the Bluegrass. In 1989, Lyle was invited to join the Board of Trustees for then Midway College; a role he so proudly fulfilled for 30 years. He was honored in 2019 by now Midway University with the Legacy Award for his exemplary service to the school.

For all who knew Lyle, they knew a man with a zest for life. They knew a man who took on challenges, overcame obstacles, and excelled. They knew a leader; who by example and deed lifted those around him. They knew a man who loved woodworking, dancing, sailing, travel, the beach...any beach. They knew a man who loved people, who cherished lifelong friendships, who never met a stranger. They knew a man of deep faith, whose service and devotion to God was represented in his life values, and his over six decades of servant leadership as a Deacon and Elder at First Presbyterian Church. They knew a man who deeply loved his family. Lyle was preceded in death by his daughter, Linda Wolf Helm. He is survived by his wife Elaine, children Susan Wolf McGoodwin (Robert) and Lyle Fredrick Wolf, Jr. (Sandra), son-in law Harvey Harmon Helm (Meredith), and grandchildren Kelly Helm Masters (David), Alex Harvey Helm, Cooper Ayres McGoodwin (Nicole), Lyle Fredrick Wolf, III (Perren), Hillary Holman McGoodwin (Brian Abbott), William Logan Wolf (Alina), and Henry Harrison Wolf. Pallbearers were Alex Helm, Cooper McGoodwin, Lyle Wolf, Logan Wolf, Henry Wolf, and David Masters. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be given to Midway University or First Presbyterian Church.

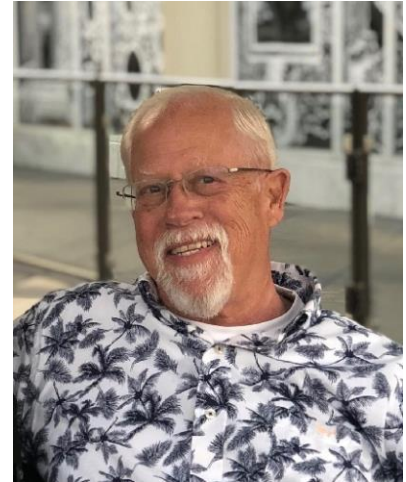


Michael Yarber. Michael Yarber, age 61, of Crossville, passed away October 7, 2019. He was born October 9, 1957 in Athens, Tennessee, the son of Clarence and Jackie Stephenson Yarber. He was an educator, having taught high school in Knox County, Sevier County and locally at Stone Memorial High School before his latest position in Rhea County. He was also a very active member of Lantana Road Baptist Church. He had a tremendous love of animals, especially his horses and rescue dogs and cats. He will be greatly missed by all who knew and loved him.

He is survived by his wife: Charlotte Yarber of Crossville; mother: Jackie Price of Crossville; stepdaughters: Lori Turner (Joey) of Seymour, Lana Covington (Audrey) of Johnson City, and Elizabeth Lynn Frye of Powell; grandchildren: Jacob Colby, Bethany Todd and spouse Corey, Holden Norton, Garrett Turner, Devon Colby, Parker Norton, Alison Colby, Nicholas Norton and Brielle Turner; and great-grandchild: Cayden Colby. Visitation was Saturday October 12, 2019 at Hood Funeral Home in Crossville. Burial followed Sunday October 13, 2019 at Sherwood Gardens and Memorial Park in Knoxville.



Ray Yarbrough. Ronald Ray "Ronn" Yarbrough passed away Wednesday, February 26, 2020 at home surrounded by family, listening to hymns, after a courageous battle with pancreatic cancer. He is preceded in death by his parents, Clifton Ray and Johnnie Mae (Turner) Yarbrough. He is survived by his beloved and devoted wife of nearly 40 years, Donna; his four sons David, Kevin, Duane and Matthew; his sisters Sue and Martha Jo; his grandchildren Jessica, Alex, Ashley, David, Ella and Turner; and great grandchild Asher. Ronn loved to paint and admired Monet paintings the most, often traveling to Europe to view originals and recreating many water lily paintings of his own. Ronn spent his free time usually near water, either scuba diving, trans-Atlantic or Caribbean cruises, or just sitting on the beach watching the waves. His last trip was a cruise to the Bahamas just a month before his death.

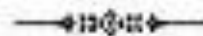
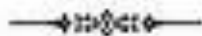


Ronn was born and raised in Sheffield, Alabama; and graduated from Sheffield High School in 1965, University of North Alabama with a BSN in 1978, and University of Alabama Birmingham with a graduate certificate of Nursing Service Administration in 1986. He worked as an emergency room RN before joining the Florida Army National Guard 131st MASH unit in 1987. He then moved back to Alabama and transferred to the Alabama Army National Guard and deployed to Desert Shield and Storm with the 109th Evac Hospital in Saudi Arabia and Iraq in 1990 and 1991.

He continued active duty service with the Alabama Army National Guard running the Soldier Readiness Process "SRP" and serving as the primary instructor for the state's Combat Life Saver "CLS" course for units deploying to OIF and OEF. He retired from MED DET JFHQ Alabama as a Lieutenant Colonel in 2008. He then worked as the Risk Manager in charge of Quality Assurance for the VA Hospital in Tuscaloosa before retiring for good in 2017. Visitation services were Tuesday, March 3rd at Southern Heritage Funeral home in Pelham. Burial with full military honors will follow at 2:00p at Alabama National Cemetery in Montevallo. In lieu of flowers, please make donations to the Eagle Fund (theeaglefund.org).

Earnest Gregory Yarbrough. Earnest Gregory Yarbrough was born Nov. 11, 1957, in Nortonville, to the late Charlie Yarbrough and Flossie Lovan. He passed away quietly at his home in Bowling Green, on Tuesday, July 14, 2020. Earnest was baptized and received Christ at an early age at Lively Stone Apostolic Church in Nortonville, where he served as the Sunday School Secretary. He was a graduate of South Hopkins High School where he enjoyed playing baseball and basketball and was a member of many clubs and organizations. After graduating, Earnest moved to Bowling Green, to attend Western Kentucky University. After working in management, Earnest began a career at Scott & Ritter Inc. where he became a construction foreman until retiring after 35 years. Earnest was very skilled and always helped anyone he could whether it be building, gardening, or any kind of handy work. Earnest enjoyed many hobbies including watching WKU and U of L sports, hunting, fishing, golfing, and gardening.

In addition to his parents, Earnest was preceded in death by his brother George Lovan and sisters Peggy Hardy, Alice Lovan, and Stacie Moore. He is survived by his wife of 32 years, Shirley Yarbrough, of Bowling Green; daughter, Shatoya Yarbrough, of Louisville; son, Gary Dunn, of Bowling Green; sister, Beverly (Sam) Kirkwood, of Nortonville; three brothers, Charles Yarbrough, of Madisonville, Shannon (Jodi) Yarbrough, of Evansville, and Terry Yarbrough, of Madisonville; sister-in-law, Chantal Lovan, of Madisonville; brother-in-law, Charles Moore, of Louisville. He is also survived by a grandson, Tadd Dunn,



of Bowling Green and a host of relatives and friends. Services were Saturday, July 18, at Mason and Sons Funeral Home, Madisonville. Visitation was Friday, July 17, at the funeral home.

Ivan Yarbrough. Ivan Yarbrough, a prominent musician and devoted family man, was called to his eternal home on Saturday, February 29, 2020. He is preceded in death by his father James Leon Yarbrough. He will be forever loved and cherished by his mother, Cleo Yarbrough, Son Marcus Yarbrough (Tia), Daughter Madison Berry, Stepson Yancy Hooks (Christal). Siblings; Raymond Yarbrough (Katrina), Vederal Laurice Taylor (Lee), Marjorie Mitchell, Jacqueline Yarbrough, Dwayne Yarbrough, four grandchildren Caden, Gabriel, James and Camryn. Family hour Friday, March 6, 2020 from 6-7 p.m. and funeral service Saturday, March 7, 2020 at 11:30 a.m. both at Rufus K. Young Christian Church, 2100 S. Main St., Little Rock, Ark. Services entrusted to Premier Funeral Home, 1518 S. Battery St., Little Rock, Ark. 72202.



Sterling Banks Yarbrough. With deepest sorrow, the family of Sterling announced that he passed away on Wednesday, February 26, 2020, near McComb, Mississippi. He was born on Sept. 24, 2000, in Monroe, Georgia to Brad Yarbrough and Lena McKnight. Services for Sterling Banks Yarbrough, 19, were held Saturday, Feb. 29, 2020, at First Baptist Church with Brother Doug Broome officiating. Visitation was from noon until service time Saturday at the church.

Although only 19 at the time of his death, Sterling affected many people in his lifetime. Those who knew Sterling, even just a little, lost a shining light in their lives. Sterling will be missed every day by his parents; his stepfather, Tim McKnight; brother, Hunter Yarbrough; grandmother, Pam Yarbrough; grandmother, Mary Brandenburg, and grandfather Pat Brandenburg; uncle, Chuck Yarbrough and his wife, Laura; uncle, Patrick Brandenburg, and his wife, Donna; and cousins, Trice and Merrit Yarbrough, Billy and Casey Brandenburg and many great friends.



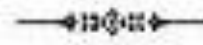
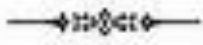
Connie Ruth Yarbrough. Connie Ruth Martin Yarbrough, 59, of Sherrills Ford, passed away Wednesday, Feb. 12, 2020, at her residence. Born March 11, 1960 in Catawba County, she was the daughter of the late "Bud" John Reave and Dorothy Strange Martin. Connie was employed at McCreary Modern for 13 years. Left to cherish her memory are her husband of 42 years, Mark Yarbrough of the home; daughter, Jennifer Y. Oneill and husband, Matthew, of Newton; grandson, Samuel Oneill of Newton; sister, Betty Hawn and husband, David, of Maiden; and brother, Steven Martin and wife, Patty, of Newton. The funeral service will be held Friday, Feb. 14, at Mays Chapel United Methodist Church, at 3 p.m., with the Rev. Dr. Jason Guyer officiating. Burial will follow in Mays Chapel



U.M.C. Cemetery. The family received friends at the church prior to the service. The family will receive friends at other times at the home of sister, Betty Hawn.

Melanie Yarborough. Melanie Ann Yarborough, 38, passed away Sunday, May 13, 2012. She was a very beautiful, kind and loving mother and touched many lives. She was preceded in death by her father, Joshua K. Yarborough; and brother, Joshua O.

Yarborough. Melanie will be greatly missed by her husband, Brian Woods; son, Brian Woods Jr.; and mother, Kathy Ann Starke; stepmother, Doreen Yarborough; many family and friends.



Installing and Using Zoom

YouTube[®] has a number of excellent tutorials about setting up and using Zoom. These are two that are quite good, and they should be reviewed a couple of times before searching for and installing Zoom.

- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bTSJ0YDoF7o>
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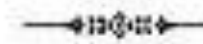
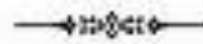
Both tutorials are very detailed and cover all one needs to know. If the participant is using a tablet or smartphone, audio/video capability is already provided. There is an app that can be downloaded and installed; it really is not needed if one is just going to be a viewer.

If one is using a PC/laptop, then there must be a camera (internal or external and focused on the user) and audio capability. Nearly everyone has audio capability already on the PC/laptop, but not everyone may have a camera. That is all right, as one can still participate with just the audio.

Prior to a scheduled Zoom meeting, each member (for whom we have a valid email address) will receive two messages:

1. The first message will provide notification of the date/time of the meeting.
2. The second notice, generated by Zoom will look like this:
 - a. (Host Name) is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.;
 - b. Topic: Host Name Personal Meeting Room
(May also be titled YNGHA Meeting Room or something similar);
 - c. Join Zoom Meeting Site (to be provided in the message);
 - d. Meeting ID: (a ten digit number, to be provided in the message);
 - e. Passcode: (to be provided in the message);

Depending on how much lead time there is before a scheduled meeting, a second message may be sent to everyone.





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The President's Corner...

Dear Members and Friends,

Greetings and welcome. Fall is upon us and we are having great weather here in the Southeast – warm days and cool nights. The farmers need a dry fall to harvest their crops. We, in the USA, are blessed to have an abundance of productive farm land to

feed us and the World.

As of October 20th, the Covid 19 virus accounts for 1,131,554 deaths worldwide and 226,294 deaths in America since March 2020. Each of us should be wearing a mask, washing our hands frequently, staying at least 6 feet apart and avoiding crowds. Our prayers and thanks are with the health care community, and we hope our Yarbrough Family stays well and safe. The Drug companies are working around the clock to develop a vaccine that hopefully will protect the World population in the months to come.

Since the Pandemic, the Yarbrough Board of Directors Quarterly phone conferences have turned into Quarterly Zoom meetings and we all agree that it is much better to be face to face. We feel now that we have the capability of including the membership to the Zoom quarterly meetings sometime in the near future. Leonard will notify the membership on when and how to attend the Zoom meetings.

We now have a tentative date for a three day Conference in Petersburg, Virginia. It will be the 3rd weekend of October (14th, 15th and 16th). Steve Yarbrough is the Conference coordinator and will work with the Petersburg Historical Society and the Tourism office to develop the itinerary for the conference weekend. Leonard will be corresponding with us on the accommodations, etc. For new members and those who have not attended, the Yarbrough Family Petersburg Conference, it is definitely worth your time and treasure, first being 1982.

Please remember to notify Leonard about Family Reunions, Yarbrough News and anything that Yarbroughs might be doing this summer. Take care and please exercise your right to vote.

Stay Well!!!

Jim



Jottings...My father always welcomed autumn with the remark, “Fall has finally fell.” I never was entirely certain as to the meaning of this remark, but this year, it seems appropriate. It has been a strange year, as many have said. In spite of the inconveniences brought about by the Covid virus, at least here in my part of the world, people seem to be getting by without rancor or bitterness. I guess we tend to ignore the resiliency and adaptability of the human species. The cooler weather is welcome, although the accompanying rains have gotten beyond annoying around there. Grumble, mumble, etc.

Finally, we have our current new volumes scanned, indexed and ready for binding. That brings our total holdings to 171 volumes, plus two volumes comprising the master index of this collection. We have also acquired a copy of Benjamin Lewis’s Day Book. It is incomplete, but it still conveys a sense of the times in the later nineteenth century. I hope that after it is scanned, it will be possible to reproduce some of the entries in future issues of the Quarterly. The book originally was donated by Kasey Seymour, who asked if the YNGHA would be interested in having it, as there was no one else to claim it. Also, Loeta Venable came across two tape cassettes of recordings from the 1987 conference. Transcription will take some time, and some of this material may be included in a future issue.

These gifts are reminders that family history and genealogy is more than filling in the branches of a family tree and/or descendants chart. It is the collection of stories, snapshots and artifacts collected by our ancestors as they lived their lives. These things tell us who we really are. Although we are of an age where instant gratification seems to be the norm, it takes time to assimilate the arcana provided by our ancestors. Furthermore, even though there are frustrations associated with affixing the various “umpteenth” removed Cousin James or the ever-elusive “Uncle George,” it is a source of amusement and satisfaction.

In closing, this issue seems to be over-loaded with family news and obituaries. I cannot explain it, but there was much more news about our extended family members than “normal.” I think the COVID virus may have had an effect on the increased numbers of obituaries, but I really had a hard time deciding what to include and what to omit. Generally, I have to scramble to find twenty-five pages of material, so this issue was an easy one to put together.

— *Leonard*

An Open Invitation!



The Covid virus has unquestionably altered our daily routines, not to mention inconveniences arising from the need for “social distancing.” These go against the grain, as we humans are by our very nature social animals, and many of us have already been out of patience with the separations arising from an increasing reliance on so-called social media applications. Fortunately, the technology that has created social media has also provided tools for alleviating the situation.

The YNGHA has struggled with dealing with the question of increased member participation. Organizations such as ours have long been troubled by the question. We have been successful to some degree, as our Facebook® group has been successful. It is grown to over one thousand members, and the majority of the YNGHA’s new members were introduced by Facebook. In addition, the Yarbrough family genealogy forum has been overtaken by the ongoing sharing of family information within the Facebook group.

This has been a mixed blessing. We have a younger membership which is much more attuned to working with modern technologies. As a corporate body, we have limited capabilities, in that we must rely on volunteers for management and projects. Fortunately, we have a dedicated Board of Directors, each one of whom takes his/her duties and responsibilities seriously. Lately, we find ourselves spread thin in some areas, as the records digitization project progressed.



The Board has approved offering the general membership the opportunity to participate in its quarterly Board meetings, using one the several meeting applications. For the time being, at least, we recently began using Zoom® for board meetings. Beginning with the January Board meeting, the general membership will also be invited to attend. While Zoom has experienced security issues in the past, it has addressed the matter responsibly. There are specific deterrents to hacking in place, and tighter meeting controls have been imposed.

The “free” version of Zoom will be used; this has a limitation of 100 participants and a meeting duration of 45 minutes. We have over 200 dues paying members, so this limitation probably will not be an issue (we would, of course, be delighted to find that to be the case).

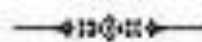
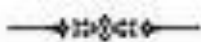
Joining a Zoom Meeting. It is a simple matter to join a Zoom meeting. An invitation will be e-mailed to all members for whom we have current e-mail addresses. The text of the message will be the following:

- *Leonard Yarbrough*¹ is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.
- Topic: *Leonard Yarbrough's* Personal Meeting Room
- Join Zoom Meeting
- <https://zoom.us/j/9017689359?pwd=TzJxd3dYZjVIUnVBaUJkV2lWNjEwdz09>
- Meeting ID: *** ** (provided by email invitation)
- Passcode: ***** (provided by email invitation)

¹ The name of the Host may be different.

Zoom will open with the attendees being placed in a “waiting room.” The meeting host will be notified and will admit attendees as they sign in. Each attendee’s digital device (PC, tablet, smartphone) will then display an image of each participant. The speaker, nominally the host, will show as a larger image.

That is about as simple as it can get. The Board anticipates extending participation invitation to the Facebook group as a next step, as well as offering virtual seminars and workshops.



Back to Petersburg Return to Old Blandford



Mark your calendars! The YNGHA will have its biennial conference in Petersburg October 14, 15, & 16, 2021!. Actually, it will begin with the Board of Directors meeting Wednesday, October 13th. There will be a more complete announcement in the January Issue of the Yarbrough Family Quarterly, along with a tentative schedule of events/activities for the weekend. This will be the fourth decadal conference, and already we anticipate it will be well attended. While the venue for lodging is not known, we will be meeting at Old Blandford Church, where we will

commemorate Richard Yarborough, our earliest ancestor, review the times and customs of the day, and renew friendships with all our cousins as well as meeting new ones. The complete set (171 volumes) of our family records will be available, both in printed form and in digital format for family researchers.

Blandford Church is a historic building; it is noted for its stained glass windows, including one rendered by Louis Comfort Tiffany. Old Richard Yarborough helped found the parish, and the YNGHA owes its existence to Robert Price Yarbrough, who was instrumental in helping create the Association. Robert was researching his family (Ambrose Yarbrough, a kinsman was at the time believed to be a kinsman from Yorkshire, whereas Richard was thought to be from Lincolnshire). Since that time, evidence seems to favor Ambrose being a lineal descendant of Old Richard.



The Legacy of Robert Price Yarbrough

It is fitting to recognize the contributions of Robert Price (Bob) Yarbrough to the YNGHA. If Bob had not agitated/advocated for the restoration of the gravestone of our believed earliest immigrant, the family association as we know it either would not have come into existence or it would have been a very different organization. The following excerpts are from Bob's book, Yarbrough. It is the definitive record of Bob's ancestor, Ambrose Yarbrough. Although Robert Price Yarbrough asserts that his ancestor, Ambrose Yarbrough, emigrated from Yorkshire, there is evidence that Ambrose was in fact a lineal descendant of Richard (the Immigrant) Yarbrough (ref. Yarbrough Family Quarterly, Volume 8, Number 1).



Robert Price Yarbrough

In the beginning the name was Yarberg, then Yarburch. Elsdon C. Smith's "American Surnames", pages 230-231 says: Other terminations are the 'burgh', endings from old Norse 'berg', often spelled 'brough', borough' usually meaning a fortified place, as in 'Yarbrough.'

M. A. Lower's "Patronymica Brittannica", page 392 says: "Yarbrough...A parish in Lincolnshire where the family were anciently resident. That Lower used the words "the family" confirms that all Yarbroughs (various spellings) are of the same vine.

Eldon C. Smith's "New Dictionary of American Surnames" says: "Yarbrough...English. One who came from Yarbrough, or Yarburch (earth fortification), the name of a place in Lincolnshire".

Patronymica Brittannica, page 394 says: "Yarber...an ancient spelling of Yarbrough."

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The spelling "Yarburgh" continued unchanged in England for almost five hundred years. The first appearance of the spelling "Yarbrough" on the family chart was the entry concerning Sir Thomas Yarbrough, Snaith Hall, Yorkshire, Knight. Sir Thomas was born in the late 1500's. Two of Sir Thomas's sons adapted the spelling "Yarbrough" while other sons continued with the old spelling. Every man of the family did not appear on the chart, so probably there were others who changed the spelling at an earlier date. The chart reveals that the majority of the English family have held fast to the spelling "Yarburgh." Here in America we Yarbroughs tend to believe that those who spell their name Yarburgh, Yarborough, Yarber, Yarboro, etc., are of a different vine - not true. Until the late 1800's people in America spelled surnames every way imaginable. It is not unusual to find a name spelled two or more ways within the same document, or discover that a man spelled his name differently on different occasions. The variety of spellings was not limited to surnames. For example, the word city

might be spelled cittie citee, citye, or even citty. This compiler has seen at least twenty-three variations in the spelling of Yarbrough.

Enclosed is a photocopy of the Yorkshire entry in the Encyclopedia of Heraldry. Note that the entry says the Yarbroughs of York County are descended from Eustacius de Yarburch. The entry says that Eustacius de Yarburch was resident in Lincoln-shire in the time of the Conquest. This documents the fact that he was there before the arrival of William the Conqueror in 1066.

Also enclosed is a true copy of the coat of arms of the Yarbroughs of Yorkshire. This heraldic symbol was extensively re- searched by the writer, by Mr. T.F. Thomas of Heraldic Studios, and by F.S. Andrus, Esquire, Herald of Lancaster, College of Arms, London, England. This picture is authentic in every detail, and is indeed the proud coat of arms of all Yarbroughs of the Yorkshire clan. An explanation of the arms colors and symbols is also enclosed.

Out of the Middle Ages and down through the centuries came the proud custom, and the romantic tradition of the ancestral coat of arms. Devised in the remote days of chivalry, borne by armed knights on ancient battlefields, cherished by forebearers of ages past, and handed down from generation to generation as a sacred emblem of family honor.

The origin of heraldry is lost, faded into the misty dawn of history. The first known use of heraldic devices was used by the sea roving Vikings who emblazoned their shields with crudely devised insignia. It was centuries later before warriors of other lands adapted the custom. There is no record of the use of such bearings during the First Crusade, and they were extremely rare in the Second Crusade. But in 1187 a number of the shields borne in the Third Crusade were emblazoned; and the great seal of Richard the Lionhearted in the same year shows his shield charged with a lion rampant. Eustacius de Yarburch was an old man when England's young warriors joined the First Crusade, he was long dead by the Second Crusade. From Eustacius we Yarbroughs have inherited a noble heritage, a proud name and an ancient coat of arms.

"Think not that the Nobilitie of thy
Ancestors doth free thee to doe all that
thou list, contrarwise, it bindeth
thee more to followe vertue".

PIERRE ERONDELL

It is interesting that the College of Arms lists three coats of arms for Yarbroughs (Yarboroughs), one in Lincolnshire, and one in Yorkshire, and all are almost identical. One Lincolnshire crest is a falcon preying on a pheasant, the other the same with a crescent; the Yorkshire crest is a falcon preying on a duck. Only kinsmen would have symbols so near alike. The Yarbroughs of England were a close knit clan, and the comradeship continued even into America. Later you will

read that Ambrose Yarbrough the Yorkshireman came to the Virginia Colony and went directly to his Yarbrough kinsmen from Lincolnshire who had been in America for ninety years.

Most researchers agree that all Yarbroughs (various spellings) in America are descendants of Richard Yarbrough who came to the Virginia Colony from Lincolnshire ca. 1642, or Ambrose Yarbrough who came to the Virginia Colony from Yorkshire in 17J2.

Included is a lineage chart beginning with Ambrose and Mary Yarbrough and ending with the children of Ida Lucinda and James H. Yarbrough.

Due to the confusing duplication of given names, this writing will capitalize the names of all direct progenitors.

At the rear of this book are thirty blank pages on which present and future descendants of .AMBROSE and MARY YARBROUGH may add their account. The great majority of American families know little or nothing of their family history; how fortunate we of the AMBROSE line are that our forefathers and mothers left their footprints in ink on the pages of county histories, courthouse records, archive records, and church records. Now that we know them, it would be a sin to forget and fail to add to their story.

AMBROSE and MARY YARBROUGH

AMBROSE YARBROUGH was born into the Yarbrough-de Bateson family of Yorkshire England in the year 1710, and at the age of twenty-two he emigrated to the Virginia Colony. Why he left the comforts of home and England we can only guess. The Yarbroughs of Yorkshire were of the gentry; he was born during the reign of Queen Anne, the last of the Stuarts, and hers was a good and just reign, often referred to as the Augustan Age, to compare it with the reign of Augustus of Rome. When AMBROSE left England George II was king, and under his able leadership, England enjoyed a lofty period of prosperity. So, it seems that AMBROSE left home not for religious, economic, or political reasons, but simply because he had to obey his adventurous nature.

AMBROSE went directly to Prince George County, Virginia, in the area that in 1735 became Amelia County, and there he joined his cousins, the descendants of RICHARD YARBROUGH. Shortly after his arrival in Virginia AMBROSE married, a young lady named MARY, his distant cousin. MARY'S exact identity has divided Yarbrough researchers. Some are convinced that her maiden name was Yarbrough, others are equally convinced that her name was Mary Mason. But all agree that Mary was a great grand-daughter of RICHARD YARBROUGH, the first Yarbrough in America who came to the Virginia Colony, ca. 1642.

That AMBROSE came directly to his kinsmen in Prince George County tells

us that the Yarbrough family in England had maintained contact with their Virginia cousins for the ninety years that the RICHARD line had been in America;

Before we proceed with AMBROSE and MARY, let us think about MARY's great grandfather RICHARD YARBROUGH, the patriarch of the Yarbrough family in America. We have not proven RICHARD'S parentage; however, there is weighty evidence indicating that his father was Sir Nicholas Yarbrough of Snaith Hall, Yorkshire and his mother was Fayth, daughter of John Downey, son and heir of Sir Thomas Downey of Seazy Hall, Yorkshire. There is a difference of opinion as to when RICHARD YARBROUGH came to the Virginia Colony. The Yarbrough Quarterly, the Yarbrough Family Magazine, and the Alabama Genealogical Register, all say that RICHARD came in 1642. The writer visited Old Blandford Church in Petersburg Virginia, and found that the Bristol Parish records say "Richard Yarbrough, an Englishman, was a founder of Bristol Parish". Bristol Parish was founded in 1642, the same year that he supposedly arrived. Surely, he had to be in Virginia several years prior to the formation of the parish to have established himself as a good Church of England member, and involve himself in the task of forming a new parish. It is highly unlikely that there were two Richard Yarbroughs in Virginia in 1642. Remember, this was only twenty-two years after the Pilgrims landed; it would be another eight years before the founding of a permanent settlement in the Carolinas, and fifty-two years before the founding of historic Williamsburg. There were very few white men in Virginia at that time. The writer has thoroughly searched the Virginia State Archives, pondering over ancient tax rolls, titheables, vestry records, parish registers, court records, everything, and has not found another Yarbrough in Virginia at that time. This Richard Yarbrough has to be our man. He and his brother Sir Thomas were the first men of the line to change the spelling of Yarbrough to Yarbrough.

An audio-visual presentation at Blandford Church Interpretation Center said, "Richard Yarbrough, and a few other wanderers ventured up the James into the wilderness." What thoughts must have flashed through Richard's mind as he sailed past the ruins of Wolstenholme Towne at Martin's Hundred, where only eighteen years before, Indians massacred the population, men, women and children, then burned the settlement to the ground. It is impossible to fathom the courage and determination of these few who sailed where no white man had sailed before and trod game and Indian trails into the unknown. The annals of the Virginia Company of London say that one out of three of the early pioneers survived the dreaded trinity: starvation, disease and Indians. Yet these adventurers continued to press landward, through the tidewater lands, through the Piedmont, through the lands of the Monacans, the Conestogas, and the Nottoways, even to the Appalachian ridges, and the great valley beyond. There, still facing westward, they gazed at the mighty granite wall of the Alleghenys. As the wild geese must fly, these few homeless wanderers were driven by a force they could not fail. "Theirs" was the curse of the Gypsy blood." (Robert Service)

We do not know for sure the name of Richard's wife. Some Yarbrough genealogists are convinced that she was Frances Proctor, and they were married in England. This could be true, for "Allegations of Marriage Licenses Issued by the Bishop of London," edited by George

J. Armytage, says: "Richard Yarbrough and Frances Proctor - 1635". This researcher has failed to document the fact that the Richard Yarbrough who married Frances Proctor was indeed our Richard. Maybe so, maybe not, but there is no call for debate.

There are numerous references to Richard Yarbrough, and his son Richard in early Virginia records that are not included in this writing. To name a few: William and Mary Quarterly, Series One, Volume 5, pages 233-240; Volume 6, pages 62-6; Volume 27, page 24. Virginia Magazine of History, Volume 6, page 40; Volume 24, page 389; Volume 25, page 66; Volume 31, page 44; Volume 32, page 75.

We do know the names of two of Richard's sons, William and Richard. An old vestry book of Blandford Church tells us that William was the church sexton, and the book contains numerous references to payments in tobacco for William's services. RICHARD'S son Richard moved to nearby New Kent County, and we were very fortunate to find several references to him there. In the following accounts of Richard in New Kent County note the clerks spelled Yarbrough.

"Att a Generall Assembly begun att James Cittie the 16 day of Aprill in the yeare of our Lord 1684. These following orders of publique charge and levy were made*** New Kent County*** To Richard Yarbrough for his service severall tymes in discovering the Senerca Indians and other public service. *** JJJ p. tobacco.")

"1685*** The report has come from ye Committee of Claimes, relating to ye New York and Albany charge is by ye house allowed of and Auditor Bacon is desired to pay *** To Richard Yarborough interpreter for his voyage and services." 4

"Att a Grande Assembly begunn att Greene Springs the 20 day of February 1676 these following orders of Publique Charge were made and allowed*** to Richard Yarbey 6000 p. tobacco." 5

"An act for the safeguarde and defence of the country against the Indians*** and forty-one men out of the lower parts of New Kent County to be garrisoned at one fort or place of defence between Yarburies house and Chickahomony Indian Towne on Mattaponi River." 6

Possibly one or more of the above accounts concern the emigrant RICHARD, however this researcher assumes they all concern his son Richard.

On pages 4, 5, and 6 are photocopies of an entry in the Virginia Historical Magazine concerning the court trial of Captain Jacob Lumpkin in New Kent County. It appears that too many toasts had been

tipped, and the good Captain's tongue began to waggle in a most seditious manner, causing the party to deteriorate in- to a brawl. At first, we wonder why Richard Yarbrough and the other guest presented such damning testimony against their friend, Captain

Jacob Lumpkin. Then we remember that this trial occurred almost a hundred years before the Revolution; these people were Englishmen, loyal to their king, and his appointed governor.

Another descendant of RICHARD'S appears in parish records. The St. Andrews Parish book (Brunswick County) tells us that Abraham Yarbrough was the sexton for Rattlesnake Swamp Chapel. Surely Abraham and his fellow parishioners were good Christians, for the church's name was enough to put a fear of the Lord into them.

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The inscription on Richard Yarbrough's gravestone was corrected in 1982. On August 14 and 15, 1982, Richard's descendants gathered in Petersburg, Virginia for a 'National Yarbrough Conference'. More than a hundred people came from California, Nevada, Utah, Oklahoma, Missouri, Texas, Alabama, Georgia, Florida, South Carolina, North Carolina, Virginia, Maryland, District of Columbia, Tennessee and Illinois. The morning and afternoon of August 14th, the group gathered in the hotel's convention hall where they shared research. Materials. Soon new found cousins were clustered in groups happily chatting and exchanging family information. Saturday night the group enjoyed a banquet and delightful after dinner program. Charles D. Yarborough, editor and publisher of the 'Yarborough Family Magazine', was master-of-ceremonies. Allen Yarbrough of Fairfax, Virginia welcomed the group to Virginia. Evelyn Goble of Magna, Utah told of her several Yarbrough research tours in England and displayed pictures of Yarbrough landmarks in Lincolnshire and Yorkshire. Tom Yarbrough of Huntsville, Alabama presented a comic magic act and former Senator, Ralph W. Yarborough of Austin, Texas told us of the early Yarbrough history in America. Doctor James Bailey of Blandford Church was our special guest. Sunday morning we formed a caravan and drove about a mile to Blandford Church. Dr. Bailey arranged for the church to be open and presented a special program for the Yarbrough clan. Afterward we gathered around Richard's grave where Charles Hill Yarborough of Louisburg, North Carolina conducted the dedication ceremony.

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After the first printing of this book, the compiler obtained numerous records of Crown Grants issued for land adjacent to Richard's land. That eight large tracts of land lay adjacent to Richard's land proves that he was a major land holder. The following abstracts are recorded in: Abstracts of Virginia Crown Land Grants - Virginia State Archives.

Edmond Jennings, 750 acres adjacent to Richard Yarbrough. (Patent Bk. 9, Pg. 1))

Edmond Jennings, 570 **acres** adjacent to Richard Yarbrough. (" "

pg.205)
 Edmond Jennings, 570 **acres** adjacent to Richard Yarbrough. (" 76)
 William Hurt, Sr. 298 **acres adjacent** to Richard Yarbrough (Patent bk. 9, pg.) 84)
 William Morris,) 66 **acres adjacent** to Richard Yarbrough. (**Patent** bk. 9, pg. 441)

Morris Floyd, 100 **acres** adjacent to Richard Yarbrough. (**Patent** bk.9. pg.4.52)
 Wm. Rawlins, 391 acres adjacent to Richard Yarbrough. (**Patent** bk.9, pg.505)
 Jacob Sellers, 353 **acres** adjacent to Richard Yarbrough. (Patent Bk.9,pg.518).

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The following abstract tells us that although Richard was a major land holder he found it advantageous to **lease** additional land from the Indians. Patent book 9, page J86 says in part. 'Andrew MacCallister 86 acres corner of old Richard Yarbrough's whole tract leased of the Pamunky Indians. In the 1600's the British did not allow the colonist to buy land from the Indians, so they avoided the restriction by leasing from the Indians.

RICHARD YARBROUGH died in the year 1702 at the age of 87, and was buried on Well's Hill at old Blandford Church. The William and Mary Quarterly (series one, volume 5, April 1897, page 233) says that RICHARD YARBROUGH was buried in the original enclosure of old Blandford Church yard near Petersburg, Virginia. The Quarterly also noted that the inscription was growing dim with age after 194 years. Today, 1981, RICHARD'S headstone is 279 years old. The marker is of soft sandstone which has slowly worn away, necessitating repairs from time to time, and it seems that errors were made with each repair. An entry in Slaughter's, "History of Bristol Parish," published by B.B. Minor in 1846, says": Richard Yarbrough 1702** aged 87. The above inscription is on a soft free-stone flag. There is a trace above the cypher making it read 1762. From my knowledge of this stone, and acquaintance with engraving, I think 1702 was the original inscription." Signed: J. Davidson, keeper of grave yard.

The writer visited Blandford Church in April 1979, and was relieved to find that the date had been corrected, but was dismayed to discover that the engraver could not decipher the faded letters, so instead of cutting a "Y" he cut "SC" making the inscription read Scarbrough. The people at Blandford Church assure me that they were aware of the error, and someday when their limited budget allowed they would have the inscription corrected. The writer sounded the alarm, and the "Yarbrough Family Magazine" trumpeted the news across the nation; as in days of yore the clan rushed to the rally. Before this writing goes to print RICHARD YARBROUGH'S headstone will be corrected.

On page 8 is a picture² of old Blandford Episcopal Church, the mother church of Bristol Parish. RICHARD'S stone stands inside the brick wall, a few feet in front of the second window from the left. On page 9 is a picture of RICHARD'S stone. You will see that the

² Picture omitted; see page 5 for current picture of the Church.

soft stone is so worn that the "G" is now cut on the right corner, and the "H" is on the side rather than the face. Here was a wooden structure there when Richard was buried on Well's Hill; the present church was not erected until 1735. The people at Blandford Church told the writer that RICHARD YARBROUGH was the first person buried on Well's Hill, and the next oldest stone is marked 1704. Since RICHARD rested, there alone the cemetery has grown to over a hundred acres, and among the thousands of graves, thirty thousand Confederate soldiers rest. A man's eyes become moist when he wonders how many of the graves hold the heroes of that rag-tag company of 129 who stood firm and fought to save Petersburg when 1300 Union cavalymen attacked on 9 June 1864. Petersburg was able to muster only 129 defenders --- young boys, old men, patients from the hospital, and inmates of the jail --- when 1300 cavalymen advanced on the town along the narrow Jerusalem Plank road. The defenders elected 17 year old Wales Hurt their commanding lieutenant. Clever young Lieutenant Hurt made his stand at a location where the enemy would be forced to funnel their men, thus denying them the advantage of a mass charge. Hurt's motly command made one of the most valiant stands in the annals of military history; their incredible defense held the Union advance until Confederate reinforcements arrived. Few defenders survived the fight, and the fallen were buried at old Blandford Church. Lieutenant Wales Hurt's grave lies not twenty feet from RICHARD'S. RICHARD YARBROUGH is with good company.

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We do not know how long AMBROSE and MARY remained in Amelia County, but we do know that they moved to, and settled in, the "Northern Neck", in the area known as Culpepper County. Let me explain the Northern Neck. In the beginning the king granted huge tracts of land to several select men; each man governed his tract, and was known as the Lord Proprietor. Lord Culpepper was Lord Proprietor of all lands between the Rappahannock, and Potomac, from the Chesapeake to the Appalachians; a princely domain known as the "Northern Neck." The proprietorships did not prove to be as profitable as the Lords had hoped, so they sold their lands back to the king, and Virginia became a Royal Colony. That is, all except Lord Culpepper, who elected to hold his tract. The Northern Neck continued to be a Proprietorship. Lord Culpepper's daughter married Lord Fairfax, and after Culpepper's death Fairfax became Lord Proprietor of the Northern Neck. Culpepper County was named in honor of Lord Culpepper. AMBROSE would have been reckless to have led his family over the lonely, and dangerous wilderness trails from Amelia to Culpepper County. Surely he went by water, just as RICHARD had sailed up the James and Appomattox. No doubt AMBROSE and his family sailed down the Appomattox, to the James, to the Chesapeake, and there turning north followed the western shore to the Rappahannock, which led them directly to Culpepper County in the Northern Neck. When the people of eastern Virginia traveled, they traveled by water; they were water people. A person could stand off Kiptopeke, set the sails on his ketch,

and glide two hundred miles northward to the Chesapeake's headland, or enter the vast estuaries of the James, York, Rappahannock or Potomac; those great rivers that extended like giant fingers from the Chesapeake to their headsprings in the Appalachians. And on the eastern shore are the Choptank, Chester, and Nanticoke. It seemed that on the Chesapeake a man could sail forever. Unfortunately, we have not established the time of AMBROSE and MARY'S arrival in Culpepper County. We suspect that they emigrated there soon after their marriage in Amelia County, but this is only an opinion, based on no facts whatsoever.

In this research the first occurrence of AMBROSE in Culpepper County appeared in correspondence between Lord Fairfax and a George Hume. The letters were found in the Virginia State Archives by the writer. Lord Fairfax's letter to George Hume stated that John Reeves had informed him that there was a tract of ungranted land along the Robinson River on Double Top Mountain in Culpepper County. The letter instructed George Hume to have the tract surveyed, and a grant would be given to John Reeves. The letter was dated 9 January 1756. On 26 May 1758 (apparently no one felt hurried in those days) Lord Fairfax's letter was answered. Fairfax was advised that according to his direction the tract had-been surveyed, but John Reeves had refused to clear or improve all of the land, and AMBROSE YARBROUGH had applied for a portion of the tract. The surveyor, Richard Young, plotted 68 acres for AMBROSE. On page 12 is a photocopy of the surveyors plot plan and boundary. On page 13 is a photocopy of Lord Fairfax's grant of sixty eight acres to AMBROSE YARBROUGH. The document stipulates that mineral rights belonging to the Royal Mines are excluded. Also, it states that the annual rent (tax) would be based on one shilling sterling money per fifty acres. It was to the Lord Proprietor's advantage to give land, for ungranted land, or waste land as he called it, earned no tax for his purse. It appears that AMBROSE either owned or was squatting on land adjacent to, or nearby, the granted sixty-eight acres, for in the surveyor's letter to Lord Fairfax it was noted that AMBROSE Yarbrough served as guide for the survey party. A party could become hopelessly lost in the wilderness; surely they selected a guide who was thoroughly familiar with the area.

AMBROSE may have cleared his land by the old Indian method of simply killing the trees to let the sun through. Or, if he was an exceptionally tidy farmer he may have chopped down the trees and burned them, but on one removed stumps. The hoe was the usual tool of cultivation; it was useless to think of pulling a plow through the tree roots. An industrious pioneer family lived reasonably well. There were vegetables from the garden, fruit from the orchard, game from the forest, fish from the streams; the cabin was crude but snug, and there was always the patch of tobacco which was used as money. The pioneer wife spun at the wheel, wove at the loom, made the clothing, cooked the meals, tended the cabin, and in her spare time helped in the field while raising a small army of children. She was Jill-of-all-trades, and mistress of some. These women were not as addicted to dull dress

as people imagine; they dyed wool and linens in hues as joyful as they could with goldenrod, or bloodroot, or indigo. Early American women took an interest in fashion; even frontier women were aware of the latest fashion, and were limited only by their purse, and sometimes social dictum.

We cannot be certain that we know the names of all of AMBROSE and MARY'S children, but we do know for a fact the following. JONATHAN, Ambrose Jr., Humphrey, Ann, Jeremiah, Mary, and John. We cannot be certain that this man was a son of AMBROSE and

MARY, but a record says that a Joel Yarbrough was in Culpepper County in 1756. "Wednesday, April 21, 1756 *** Resolved that the following claimers from the county of Culpepper ought to be paid by the public*** to John Cave, James Nash, William Twiman, and Joel Yarbrough, foot soldiers, each 92 days*** 1J80 p. tobacco." 7 A Joel Yarbrough appeared in Anson County, North Carolina in January 1757, and purchased land on Little River. 8 The brothers JONATHAN and Humphrey Yarbrough emigrated to the same neighborhood in Anson County, and first appear in Anson County deeds, volunn C-1, page 446. It is interesting that four Yarbrough men appeared in Anson County at that time, and they were JONATHAN, Humphrey, Joel, and Richard. They all settled in the same neighborhood, within walking distance of one another. At that time Anson extended to the Mississippi River, including all western North Carolina and the present state of Tennessee. Possibly coincidence brought these men together, but it is hard to believe that kinship was not involved.

What We Are Doing...

Don Yarbrow. A 15-day vacation to Hawaii has been extended for one group of people from Kings Mountain because of the coronavirus.

Don Yarbrow, his wife and a group of more than a dozen other family members and friends from Cleveland and Gaston counties, decided nine months ago that they were going on a cruise. The group saved for months. Finally, they left port on a Grand Princess Cruise from San Francisco on Feb. 21.

The ship just docked at the Port of Oakland on Monday, according to California state officials. On Tuesday, Yarbrow still reported being on board after more than 20 people were diagnosed with the virus, he said by video chat.



The Yarbrows enjoyed the first half of their vacation by touring all four islands. They were on their way to Mexico when an announcement came over the intercom.

"They came over the speaker system and announced that they had some sickness on the boat previous to our trip and that a gentleman had passed away. And that we were coming back to San Francisco," Yarbrow said.

Quarantine was enforced on March 4, and passengers were told to stay in their rooms. Passengers didn't know anything about those infected on board until they saw something on the news, Yarbrow said. "We found out on the news basically about the coronavirus, about the man dying," he said. "No, they never did (announce it)."

As the days went on room service brought meals to their door, knocked and then slid them into the rooms when the door was answered, he said. For days the ship circled the harbor. From their room Yarbrow could see the skyline of the city as U.S. Coast Guard ships buzzed around.

"Twenty-one checked positive. There was 19 in the crew that were positive," he said.

The couple, both in their 60s, have been bunking with a family friend who came down with bronchitis while in quarantine. His wife, Lynn, is a lung cancer survivor, so there is some worry, but the group is staying positive. "It's a sunshiny day, and the Bay Bridge is beautiful this morning," Yarbrow said.

It was on Monday that officials allowed them to dock. The two non-crew members were allowed to disembark and then people from the San Francisco and Oakland, Calif., area. Next charter flights for Canadian citizens were organized. The Kings Mountain group is still waiting for their next step. "They are trying to get the next group off the boat. We don't know if we will go to Texas or Georgia...We're just waiting to get off the boat," he said.

The ship carried people from 54 countries. Authorities said foreigners would be flown home, while U.S. passengers would be flown or bused to military bases in California, Texas and Georgia for testing and 14-day quarantines. "By the grace of God, all of us have survived it so far," Yarbrow said.



Felix Yarbrow. For outstanding support of Maryville College, [MC President Dr. Tom Bogart](#) presented longtime MC advocate Felix Yarbrow with the College's Presidential Citation on Nov. 19.

Established in 2001, the Maryville College Presidential Citation recognizes those individuals and organizations that have realized an outstanding accomplishment, demonstrated community leadership and/or made an exceptional impact on the College.

"This is a big deal," Bogart said during the presentation, which followed a worship service in the [Samuel Tyndale Wilson Center for Campus Ministry](#). "I'm in my 10th year as president, and this is the fourth one that I have presented."

Yarbrow, a "50-year advocate and champion of Maryville College," said his love for Maryville College began in 1961, when he joined the staff of Lindsey Memorial Presbyterian Church in Memphis, Tenn., where Gordon Harold was pastor. Harold and his wife, Betty, graduated from Maryville College in the 1920s and had a great affinity for the College.



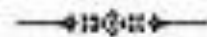
“The president during the 1920s was Samuel Tyndale Wilson,” Bogart explained. “Samuel T. Wilson was a student at Maryville College, and one of his professors was a man named Thomas Jefferson Lamar. One of the coolest artifacts we have at the College is Thomas Lamar’s diploma signed by Rev. Isaac Anderson, founder of the College. For those of you keeping track, that’s four degrees of separation back to Isaac Anderson. And the Harolds, Wilson, Lamar and Anderson are all buried in the MC cemetery. Their influence still goes today, because they made friends with and supported a young youth minister back in the 1960s, and he has influenced many others.” Yarboro became the Synod coordinator of senior high youth ministries in 1966 and directed Synod youth conferences on the Maryville College campus. Since then, he has led or participated in more than 100 conferences on campus.

“Synod offices were housed on the campus, and I worked closely with the Synod Executive, always being sure that the personnel there were being more and more informed about the College, its needs and its role with staff, students and the community at large,” Yarboro said. “I worked with churches in the Synod and throughout Presbyteries, encouraging development of their interest in the College. I developed relationships with all agencies of the church and individual churches and rekindled a renewed relationship with the College. I became aware of the treasure we had in Maryville College, and your current mission statement surpasses any other in any college of which I am aware.” Yarboro never asked others for money for the College – but through telling the Maryville College story, he was able to secure gifts for the school.

When the Samuel Tyndale Wilson Center for Campus Ministry needed a piano, he encouraged a friend – a talented musician and artist who was looking for a deserving place for her baby grand piano – to donate it to Maryville College.

Yarboro helped nurture the relationship between the College and Ralph and Orlean Beeson, and the Beeson estate donated more than \$4 million for the construction of Beeson Village, as well as the establishment of scholarships and the endowed professorship in religion. Yarboro, who has also served on Maryville College’s Board of Church Visitors, is a member of [Independent Presbyterian Church \(IPC\)](#) in Birmingham, Ala., with whom the College has a strong partnership.

“Thank you for even thinking that I deserve anything you’ve offered,” he continued. “I’ve never asked a soul for a penny. I always found out what the College had to offer and have met with individuals and determined the College’s need. I said to them, ‘Think about this and what you think you need to do about it. Take care of it on your own, and best wishes to you.’ Thank you for the honor and privilege of having been served by Maryville College.”



Julia Yarbrough. A multiple Emmy-Award winning broadcast and print journalist, Julia Yarbrough's on-air television, public speaking and professional writing and production experience reaches across multiple platforms. She began her career chasing news in the field as well as bringing viewers daily and nightly reports with segments ranging from hard news to human interest, environmental, education and political coverage, from the anchor chair in the studios of NBC6-WTVJ, in Miami, KCBS2 in Los Angeles, WSVN, South Florida, WLKY, Louisville, Kentucky, WEAR, Pensacola, Florida and KEYT, in Santa Barbara.



Most recently Julia served as the Press Information Officer with the Chico Police Department under leadership of Chief Michael O'Brien. Her skills for governmental messaging developed during a more than two-year position as Media Ambassador for the internationally recognized City of Miami Beach, leading an in-house production team producing original programming for MBTV, the Miami Beach Police and Fire Departments and social media platforms.

"I love telling stories. When I know a viewer or reader is seeing what I'm seeing and feeling what I'm feeling, then I have been successful. Sometimes engaging an audience means sharing my personal story as well. Regardless the platform, my goal is to inform, educate and invoke emotion."

Julia has produced live reports from all over South Florida as well as exotic International locations, such as the 2006 winter and 2008 Summer Olympics in Torino, Italy and Beijing, China, respectively. Never one to run from adventure and excitement, Julia flew an F-16 with the U.S. Air Force Thunderbirds! Named "Best Female News Anchor" by the Broward New Times, Julia's work has earned her professional and personal recognition and helped her build a following of loyal television viewers and on-line social media fans all over the world. Her work also caught the attention of movie director Michael Mann, casting Julia in MIAMI VICE, and landed her a one-on-one interview with music superstars Daryl Hall & John Oates.

Julia has received numerous awards, including twice the prestigious N.A.T.A.S. Emmy, The Sunshine State Award from The Society of Professional Journalists, The 3CMA Savvy Award for government programming of the MBTV-produced original programs On The Frontline and MB Culture, and is the recipient of a 2009 Fellowship with The Institutes of Journalism & Natural Resources. In 2011 Julia was named one of Broward County's "100 Outstanding Women."

She is also the creator of Julia Yarbrough Media Group, LLC which allows Julia to bring her extensive storytelling experience to a broader market; professionally evolving in the fields of communications consulting, public speaking and video production. Since its inception Julia Yarbrough Media Group has forged partnerships with organizations, corporations and individuals to identify and produce stories that have a positive impact on our society and world and secure media placement for select clients.

In October, 2013 Julia was commissioned to co-produce a documentary for GE/Africa spending three weeks in Tanzania, Ethiopia and Kenya. Known for her passion for the outdoors and issues of

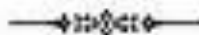
diversity, Julia partnered with NOLS - National Outdoor Leadership School to co-produce and promote a film documenting the first all African-American climbing team to attempt to summit Alaska's DENALI in June, 2013.

Julia's work has gained national attention as a result of her partnership with The HabiHut and GE to produce a video presentation in Nairobi, Kenya highlighting The HabiHut, a revolutionary new solar-powered water kiosk. Julia's production credits also include segments for The Fort Lauderdale Children's Theatre, The Broward County Minority Builder's Coalition and Children's Harbor Foster Care Agency; featuring the community work of the respective agencies.

Julia has been featured on South Florida and national television and radio programs speaking to issues such as career reinvention, work-life balance and relationships. She is often called upon to speak to organizations about life lessons learned as a result of her broadcast career and sharing with others the importance of living authentically and finding passion in one's life.

A native of Fairfield, California, Julia is graduate of The University of California, Santa Barbara with a B.A. in Economics, Julia began her journalism career as a print journalist for The Daily Nexus campus newspaper.

She and her family, which includes four backyard chickens, relocated to Butte County two years ago and now call Chico, home. When not chasing down news, Julia can be found exploring the many hiking trails in Northern California and reminding herself to watch out for rattlesnakes.



Lindal Yarbrough. After assistant coaching stints at Cumberland (Tenn.) and the Virgin Islands, Lindal Yarbrough has joined the Shawnee State coaching staff as its associate head coach for the 2019-20 season on forward. He will be in his second season serving in the spot in 2020-21.

In 2019-20, Yarbrough, who works with the team's guards, played an instrumental part in recruiting First-Team All-MSC honoree and Honorable Mention NAIA All-American Kyree Elder into the fold. Elder averaged a team-high 18.1 points while also posting 6.9 rebounds on 46.3 percent shooting from the field and 83.5 percent shooting from the foul line. Yarbrough served as DeLano Thomas' top assistant on the bench as Shawnee State's 21-11 overall record led to the program's first-ever NAIA National Tournament bid.



Yarbrough, a native of Nashville, Tenn., served as an assistant coach for the men's basketball program at Cumberland (Tenn.) for five seasons upon his graduation from the institution in 2012 -- while also serving as the program's interim head coach with the Phoenix during the second half of the 2017-18 season -- graduated with a bachelor's degree in Business Administration at

Cumberland. Prior to his time at CU, Yarbrough attended College Heights Christian Academy in Gallatin, Tenn. before transferring to Hunters Lane High School in the northern part of Nashville.

At College Heights, Yarbrough obtained back-to-back state championships as a freshman and sophomore in high school before transferring to Hunters Lane for his final two seasons of varsity competition. While there, Yarbrough helped lead the Warriors to a 27-6 overall record and a Tennessee High School Athletic Association (THSAA) Class AAA State Tournament appearance as a senior in 2005-06.

After walking on to play for former Middle Tennessee State and current Ole Miss head coach Kermit Davis at Middle Tennessee State, Yarbrough transferred to Cumberland in January 2010, where the 6-1 guard became an integral part of the starting lineup at CU. He averaged 8.2 points, 4.3 assists, and 1.6 steals per bout in the 16 games that he participated in during the 2009-10 season, then came back and averaged seven points and 2.9 assists per contest in the 2010-11 campaign as a senior.

Since finishing his playing days at Cumberland, Yarbrough has successfully pursued a career in coaching. At CU, Yarbrough landed players such as Cameron Johnson, Telvin Wilkerson, and Trenton Perry during his time at Cumberland while also coaching Ty'Sean Powell, a two-time Second-Team All-Mid South Conference honoree.

Yarbrough also coached up Diondrey Holt, Jr., who developed into a two-time First-Team All-Mid South Conference and two-time NAIA Honorable Mention All-American player while with the Phoenix. Yarbrough finished up his five year stint at Cumberland as the program's interim head coach when the institution's head coach, Lonnie Thompson, stepped away after 16 seasons with the Phoenix.

Izaac Yarbrough. Izaac has appeared in twenty-four games, pitching twenty-six innings. His longest outing came in NCAA Regional play with three innings and two strikeouts against Charleston (5/29). He threw nineteen total strikeouts during the season, picking up a first save of two innings while surrendering one hit with no runs at South Carolina. Overall, he posted a 3.46 ERA while issuing only four walks. At Wallace State Community College for Randy Putnam, he finished 4-2 with 1.85 ERA last season, recording 36 strikeouts in 48.2 innings while issuing just nine walks. He was an all-conference selection after his , although freshman season. He suffered a season ending injury after first appearance of his sopho-more season. In high school, he made 12 appearances, including nine starts.



Izaac played at Vinemont High School for Chad Shannon and was Super All-State in 2011 and 2012. He became three time All-State selection , as well as the 3A Pitcher of the Year in 2012 and the 3A Hitter of the Year in 2011. Overall, he had a combined record of 17-3 with 242 strike outs during his junior and senior seasons. As a junior he hit .520 with four home runs and 63 RBI.



Joey & Jessie Yarbrough. When it comes to health, the Yarbrough family is all in. They have turned their Dotsonville farm in southwest Montgomery County into a 100% offering of organic products grown on pure, certified USDA soil.

Yarbrough Organics raises 250 acres of organic row crops and 10 acres of produce, according to Jessica Yarbrough, the wife of Joey Yarbrough and the mother to four children, ages 1 to 13. “This is a family operation,” Joey Yarbrough said. “Each morning we get up and pick what we offer each day. It’s always fresh when we sell and distribute our crops.”

The Yarbroughs are beginning to draw a steady flow of customers, many who turned out to be their regulars or returning customers. However, as they sell their crops each Saturday at the Farmer’s Market in downtown Clarksville, the Yarbroughs also see new faces, those who are introduced to a new and healthier way of living and eating.



“Later this week, we will have our first crop of corn, and it is sweet,” Jessica Yarbrough said. “We try to bring everything we have that is in season to the market. Toward the end of the day, we begin running low on our produce, so it’s best to arrive early.”

Yarbrough Organics also delivers twice weekly to the Turnip Truck, a trendy natural market in Nashville. The small family of Jessica and Joey Yarbrough are five years into their first generation of organic farming in the Dotsonville area of Montgomery County. The list of crops they grow without chemicals is not only good for the consumer, but also for their family of six, according to Jessica Yarbrough.

“We raise certified organic produce, and our objective is to provide the highest quality produce for our community,” she said. “We are member of Pick-Tennessee Products and the Tennessee Organic Growers Association.”

The list of USDA-certified organic produce is long, including peas, green beans, fresh herbs, tomatoes, cucumbers, peppers, sweet corn, squash, zucchini, spinach, potatoes and eggplant. They also offer free-range eggs, cut flowers and hanging baskets. “Our chickens eat certified, organic seeds,” Yarbrough said. “They also eat lots of organic vegetables and herbs that we raise, and they free range on certified, organic pasture.” Through the USDA, an organic certifier, has approved the farm as one that follows strict guidelines, including where the Yarbroughs source their seed.





In Memoriam



Donald R. Yarber. Donald R. Yarber, 81, passed away on Tuesday, September 22, 2020. Don was a loved and respected friend to all who knew him. His proudest accomplishment in life was the family he leaves behind. He was the loving husband of Sylvia Yarber for 43 years; Loving father to Tim Yarber, Don Yarber, Kim Walters Martino, Mark Walters, Greg Walters, Grant Walters, and Clayton Walters; Grandfather of 9 and great grandfather of 9; Brother to Robert Yarber, Lois Reeves, Arlene Kukla, the late Larry Yarber, and uncle to 24.

After graduating from high school, Don worked as a barber and was affectionately known as “Yarber the Barber”. He then served two years in the US Army.

After his discharge from the Army, Don worked for the MOPAC and Union Pacific Railroad for 34 yrs. After his retirement from Union Pacific, Don served his community of Cottleville for three years as an alderman and eight years as Mayor. He also was Co-Owner of the Cottleville Wine Seller with his wife and his good friend Gary Grafeman for three years.

Donald was loved by all who knew him and will be dearly missed by all his family and friends.

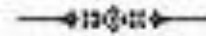
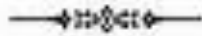
Richard Nolan Yarber. Richard Nolan Yarber, age 73, passed away in Sunnyside, Washington on June 23, 2020 due to complications of Parkinson’s disease. He was born July 29, 1946 in Sugar City, Idaho to Raymond Earl and Eudora F. Yarber. Richard graduated from Sunnyside High School in 1964. He was a member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

Richard and his wife Pamela Kay were married on January 13, 1970 in Pocatello, Idaho. They were sealed in the Idaho Falls Temple a year later. He was a truck driver for many years while also working for Six Robblees’ of Yakima. In 1981 he and his wife opened their own heavy-duty truck parts business. They ran their family business up until 2017 when they decided to retire due to Richard’s health. Many of his customers became like family and he was grateful for every single one of them.

Richard was preceded in death by his parents Raymond and Eudora Yarber and his brother Lynn. He is survived by his wife of 50 years Pamela Kay and their children, Richard Lynn (Lisa), Alisa (John), Angela, Joshua and Andrea; grandchildren Ricky Jr. and Paige; brother Raymond Ellwood (Lota).



There will be no funeral services due to COVID-19. Those wishing to sign Richard's online memorial book may do so at www.funeralhomesmith.com Smith Funeral Home is in care of arrangements.



Barbara Yarber Wallace. On Wednesday morning, July 29, 2020, Barbara Yarber Wallace, 76, resident of Ripley, passed away peacefully at her son's residence following an extended illness.

Funeral Services remembering the life of Mrs. Wallace will be at 2 PM Friday, July 31 at Pleasant Hill Baptist Church with Bro. Jeremy Hughey officiating. Burial will follow in Pleasant Hill Cemetery and arrangements will be provided by The Ripley Funeral Home.

Mrs. Wallace was born June 14, 1944 in Tennessee, the daughter of the late John and Evelyn Parnell Yarber. A Christian, Mrs. Wallace was a valued employee of Wal-Mart Corporation for 30 years before retiring.

Mrs. Wallace will be remembered as a kind hearted person who loved to sew and read her Bible. In earlier years she enjoyed cooking and canning. She will be greatly missed by all that knew and loved her.

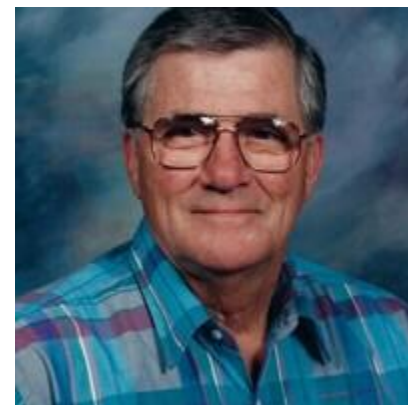
Visitation will be from 11 AM to 2 PM Friday, July 31 at Pleasant Hill Baptist Church.

Those left to share her memories include her children, Tammy Moyer of Michigan, Larry Wallace, John Wallace and Donnie Jordan, all of Missouri, Paula McCoy of Tennessee, Randall Jordan and Charles Wallace of Ripley, two sisters, one brother, seventeen grandchildren and thirty four great grandchildren. She was also preceded in death by her husband of 53 years, William E. Wallace, one grandson, two sisters and one brother.



Charles Yarborough. Graveside service for Charles Yarborough, 84, will be held at 10:00 AM on Saturday, August 22, 2020, at Sunset Memorial Park Cemetery. Mr. Yarborough passed away on Tuesday, August 18, 2020, in Boerne, TX. He was born July 27, 1936. Charles Yarborough was born and raised in Shelby County where he was proud to be a Center Roughrider where he was a member of the baseball and basketball teams.

In 1957, Charles met the love of his life and soon made her his wife. He and Judy (Chandler) Yarborough have made many memories over their 63 years of marriage. Together, they raised their daughter to be exactly what they had wished for her. His best and most valuable treasure in life was his family. Charles spent many days coaching little league baseball and was the proud coach of a World Championship Team. His role as "Paw Paw" sent him to many sporting events with his grandsons and he was a regular at the Nacogdoches High School football games.

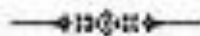


Charles had many talents but found a particular interest in his flower gardens. He was taught the love of day lilies from his mother which led to his expertise with other beautiful flowers in his gardens. Charles made his career at Nibco and also worked as the Nacogdoches County Road

Administrator. He made many lasting friendships during his tenure at both these places and enjoyed working with great co-workers.

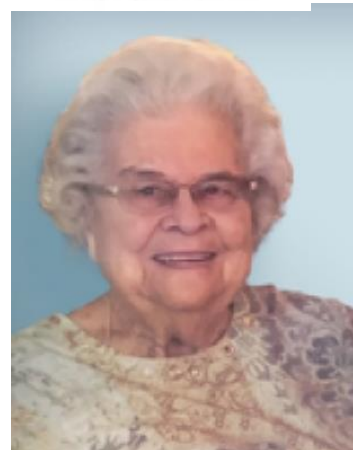
Among other things that Charles took pride in was his abilities at bowling and dominoes. In 1962 he bowled a 300 game and gained the title of “domino champ” one year at The Blueberry Festival. He was kind and loving and often referred to as being an ultimate servant. His daughter and grandchildren and their families adored him, as did others who met him. He was humble and lived a simple life but was always available when someone needed him and expected nothing in return.

Above all, Charles was a godly man who loved his Lord and Savior. He was a deacon at Calvary Baptist Church for many years and quoted his favorite scripture often, Psalm 23. Charles is survived by his loving wife and best friend, Judy Chandler Yarborough; daughter, Kimberly Yarborough Ball and husband, Danny; 4 grandsons, Major Daniel Ball, Jr and wife, Samantha, Matthew Ball and wife, Kristine, Joshua Ball and wife, Megan, and Jacob Ball; sister, Sherry Yarborough Ward; and 8 great grandchildren. He is preceded in death by his father, Charles Chester Yarborough, mother, Creva Mae Abbott Yarborough; and sisters, Charlotte Yarborough Bailey, Chestine Yarborough and Johnnie Sue Yarborough.



Margaret Yarborough. Margaret Blackmon Yarborough, 93, died, Friday, July 31, 2020, at McLeod Hospice House, after an illness.

Mrs. Yarborough was born July 15, 1927, in Florence County, a daughter of the late Willie and Letha Osborne Blackmon. She was educated in the Florence County Schools and was a member of Lee's Tabernacle Church. She was first married to Clarence Foster Lee, who died in 1966, and second to Robert James "RJ" Yarborough, who died in 2005. She retired from Belk Department Store in Lake City. Mrs. Yarborough enjoyed reading, visiting the nursing home, and traveling with her friends and sisters.



Survivors include a daughter, Diane L. Tanner and her husband, Furman of Johnsonville; a son, Pete Lee of Lake City; two step-sons, Rev. Dale Yarborough and his wife Martha; Pete Yarborough and his wife Linda all of Scranton; two sisters, Mary Nell Welch and her husband Lamar of New Zion; Marie Ham, also of New Zion; a brother, Harry Blackmon of Manning; a daughter-in-law, Janice C. Lee of Sumter; two sisters-in-law, Miriam Blackmon of New Zion and Shirley Blackmon of Alcolu; a brother-in-law, Donald McElveen of Columbia; fourteen grandchildren and a number of great-grandchildren and great great grandchildren. Mrs. Yarborough was preceded in death by a son, Jerry Lee; a step-son, Bill Yarborough; a step-daughter, Helen Hart; great-grandsons, Spencer Tanner and Hunter Lee; two brothers, Billy Blackmon and Bobby Blackmon and a sister, Miriam McElveen.

Funeral services will be Monday, August 3, 2020, 3:00 PM at Lee's Tabernacle Church, with burial to follow in Lake City Memorial Park. The family received friends, prior to the service at the church. Memorials may be made to Lee's Tabernacle, 2226 N. Matthews Road, Scranton, SC 29591 or McLeod Hospice House, 1203 E. Cheves Street, Florence, SC 29506.

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