



WALTON RELATIONS

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Who Are They?

Was Edgar's Grocery Market the same as Edgar's Café and Tourist Camp? If so, it was located on Highway 90 about 1-1/4 miles west of DeFuniak Springs. If you have information about Edgar's or this photograph, please contact us.

WCGS Meetings

The Walton County Genealogy Society will not meet in October because we will be at the Walton County Fair. We will not meet in November or December either due to other Walton County Heritage Association events. We will resume our meetings in January 2013.

Anderson-Broxson Family Reunion

The Anderson-Broxson Family Reunion will be on October 26 and 27 at the Pleasant Grove Baptist Church, which is located at the intersection of county highways 1883 and 183B. Reunion events include a Potluck Dinner on Friday evening, October 26, and the meeting of the families on Saturday morning, October 27, followed by Dinner in the Grove. For more information, contact Bob Anderson.

Walton County Heritage Museum

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Graduates of the State Normal School

The State Normal School opened in DeFuniak Springs in October 1887 and closed in 1905. At the time of its closure, female students were sent to the Florida State College for Women in Tallahassee (now Florida State University) and male students were transferred to the University of Florida in Gainesville. An asterisk (*) indicates the person was deceased when the following list was published circa 1902.

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| W. T. Blutworth J. M. Calhoun * S. C. Cawthon S. D. Cawthon | <p style="text-align: center;">1889 – Two Years’ Course</p> Jennie Dixon J. M. Garrett T. W. Grace Sallie Landrum | A. H. Miller J. H. B. Miller L. J. Reeves * E. B. Speight |
| Missouri Cawthon W. S. Cawthon Libbie Dann Theo. Everett | <p style="text-align: center;">1890 – Two Years’ Course</p> Stuart Knox Gillis W. L. Gordon Alonzo Hollowell Ida Jones | D. L. McSwain Susie Miller |
| Carrie Campbell G. W. Coltrine Sidney Cook | <p style="text-align: center;">1891 – Two Years’ Course</p> Etta Hancock Victoria Hulse Daisy Rowton | |
| Angus Graham Campbell Mamie Baker * M. B. Balcom John W. Bowers | <p style="text-align: center;">1892 – Two Years’ Course</p> R. E. L. Buie * Ella Cawthon John A. Jones W. F. King | W. F. McKinnon M. A. Parish |
| Christine O. Gillis | <p style="text-align: center;">1893 – Three Years’ Course</p> Margaret McLeod | |
| Addie Beardsley Coralie Gillis | <p style="text-align: center;">1894 – Three Years’ Course</p> Mary McKinnon Ida Parish | |
| B. Linwood Cawthon | <p style="text-align: center;">1895 – Three Years’ Course</p> Harlo G. Everett | |
| Sallie Hemphill | <p style="text-align: center;">1896 – Four Years’ Course</p> H. J. Rogers | W. H. Watson |
| Hugh Brodie Joe. B. Locky | <p style="text-align: center;">1897 – Four Years’ Course</p> Finis Plank Hurd Walker | |
| Giles Bowers Campbell | <p style="text-align: center;">1898 – Four Years’ Course</p> Julia McKinnon | Retta McQuarrie |
| Emma Campbell Christian McDonald | <p style="text-align: center;">1899 – Four Years’ Course</p> Annie McKinnon Della Moore | |

1900 – Four Years’ Course

Della Moore, Special Post Graduate Certificate, “Professional Primary Teacher”
Alameda Carter James McL. Gillis
Annie Colvin * John M. Morrison

1901 – Four Years’ Course

Charles O. Andrews W. B. Jernigan Edwin Wallace McMullen
Orin A. Bailey Lonny I. Landrum Elsie Nipe
Kate Fitzgerald Clarence E. McKinnon

1902 – Graduate Students

| <u>Name</u> | <u>Post Office</u> | <u>County</u> |
|------------------------------------|--------------------|---------------|
| Christian O. Gillis, Class of 1892 | DeFuniak Springs | Walton |
| Lonny Inge Landrum, Class of 1901 | DeFuniak Springs | Walton |
| Mary McKinnon, Class of 1894 | DeFuniak Springs | Walton |

1902 – Four Years’ Course

| <u>Name</u> | <u>Post Office</u> | <u>County/State</u> |
|-------------------------|--------------------|---------------------|
| Rylla A. Bailey | DeFuniak Springs | Walton |
| Elpa Grace Berry | Bartow | Polk |
| Fannie Lou Cawthon | DeFuniak Springs | Walton |
| Isabelle Fitzgerald | DeFuniak Springs | Walton |
| John David Gable | Alliance | Calhoun |
| Lorenzo Dow Hathaway | Westville | Holmes |
| Etta Jones | Catawba | Santa Rosa |
| Catherine McDonald | DeFuniak Springs | Walton |
| John Curtis McKinnon | DeFuniak Springs | Walton |
| Leroy DeVillo McRae | Marianna | Jackson |
| Roswell Carlisle Mobley | Ocean Springs | Mississippi |
| Milbra Moore | DeFuniak Springs | Walton |
| Annie Radcliffe | DeFuniak Springs | Walton |
| Kate Black Radcliffe | DeFuniak Springs | Walton |
| Don Register | Tampa | Hillsboro |
| George Alan Stephens | DeFuniak Springs | Walton |
| Edward Patrick Watson | DeFuniak Springs | Walton |

Lake Victoria

One of the 1891 graduates of the State Normal School apparently had a local lake named for her.

In March 1972, Anna Reardon contributed a short article to the *DeFuniak Springs Herald*, stating that one of the twin lakes in western DeFuniak Springs known as Back Lake had been named Lake Victoria over 80 years before.

Victoria Halse [sic] was one of the renowned singers at the Florida Chautauqua and it seemed appropriate to name a beautiful body of water for her, so it was done.

Miss Victoria Hulse was the niece of Dr. C. A. Landrum, Sr., a pioneer physician of DeFuniak Springs. . . . Her mother was Mrs. Sarah Landrum Hulse. She was related to Judge and Mrs. Reeves who lived in Pensacola later. . . . Mrs. Reeves was a teacher at the Florida State Normal School. . . .

Genealogy News You May Have Missed

African American Gateway - The African American Gateway is a growing resource for African American research and includes information from the United States, Canada, and the Caribbean, and well as a few other countries. The links to websites in this gateway are paired with a bibliography of resources for African American research in The Genealogy Center collection of the Allen County (Indiana) Public Library.

“Ask Granny's” Book of Genealogical Quotations – An entertaining online booklet about the struggles of research and writing.

Georgia State Archives Closing - Effective November 1, 2012, the Georgia State Archives located in Morrow will be closed to the public due to budget cuts. Georgia will be the only state in the country that will not have a central location in which the public can visit to research and review the historical records of their government and state. The staff that currently works to catalog, restore, and provide reference to the state of Georgia's permanent historical records will be reduced. After November 1st, the public will only be allowed to access the building by appointment; however, the number of appointments could be limited based on the schedule of the remaining employees.

Native American Gateway - The Native American Gateway is a resource for those exploring First Nations family history. Information on how to begin such research and links to materials from the National Archives and popular data are complemented by a continually updated listing of resources held by The Genealogy Center collection of the Allen County (Indiana) Public Library.

Our Military Heritage - Our Military Heritage includes images of books, pamphlets, government documents, original letters, diaries, biographies, photographs, videos, unit histories, and rosters as well as service and pension records. A project of The Genealogy Center of the Allen County (Indiana) Public Library, this collection of data files offers materials from the Colonial era through the Afghanistan and Iraqi Wars. Contributions of additional data are most welcome.

220 Years of Census Data - Archives.com has created a fun and informative interactive graphic showcasing all 23 Censuses! It can be accessed at www.archives.com/1940-census-facts.html.

World War II Airman Identified - Defense Department forensic scientists identified the remains of 2nd Lt. Samuel E. Lunday of Marianna, an airman lost in action during World War II. They returned his remains to his family for burial with full military honors at Arlington National Cemetery. Lunday disappeared with four other crewmen flying in a C-87 Liberator Express cargo aircraft from Yangkai, China, to their base at Chabua, India, on April 24, 1943. Rescuers were unable to locate the crash site due to heavy snow in the Himalayan Mountains and dense jungle canopy along the crew's assumed flight route. In 2003, an American hiker stumbled upon the mountainous crash site, roughly 100 miles short of the base at Chabua, near the Indian border with Burma. The hiker recovered the aircraft's identification placard and human remains that led to Lunday's identification.

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