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PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Hello cousins!

Nelda and I have made the move from Baton Rouge to our place on Lake Bruin in rural Tensas Parish, LA. We moved out of about 2200 sq. ft. into about 1000 sq. ft., and still have lots of boxes to open. Most of my genealogy work is still packed, and I am forced to use a very slow dial-up connection to reach the internet. Neither Wi-Fi, DSL or cable had made it out here yet. I'm considering installing a satellite internet connection. In spite of the "inconveniences" of rural life, it's really nice to get up in the morning and look at the sun rise over the lake.

Be sure and check out the convention news provided elsewhere in this issue. Once again I urge all Coffey Cousins to get a big crowd together and bring them to Ft. Smith Arkansas in June 2004.

And, I want to urge all of you to consider participating in the Family Tree DNA project being headed up by Lori Okel. E-mail her at lorieokel@yahoo.com for more details. Eight of us have submitted our DNA sample for testing, and hope to have

results available soon. I look forward to learning if I am related to any of our current cousins.

Cheers!

Jack Coffey

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EDITOR'S LETTER

Dear Cousins,

The Board of CCC has moved the 2004 convention to Fr. Smith, AR. J. B. McCarley' ex wife and sister have both passed away in the last couple of weeks. It was felt that we shouldn't add to his responsibilities at this time. You can send sympathy cards to J.B. at 1512 Parker St. Amarillo, TX 70102.

We have another mile-stone in Coffey/Coffee research to celebrate. Lori Okel is leading the effort to establish a DNA trail for us. Six men with the last name of Coffey/Coffee had to volunteer their DNA and \$99 to get it started. Lori now has eight Coffey/Coffee men who have donated DNA as of December 1. We will have more information on this by next issue.

I realize just how busy the Christmas season is but if you recognize anyone from the queries and/or form our new cousins, drop a quick card and follow up after Christmas. It will be one of the best gifts you can give. I promise you won't regret it.

Keep in mind that January and February make good months to dig around in libraries and court houses. Let us know what you find. We would love to have some great new records to work with. Every little piece adds something to the big picture.

Be sure to check your label to see if your subscription is due. The year in the upper right corner tells you when your subscription runs out. If it says 12/31/03 or earlier, you will need to renew. The cost to U.S. Subscribers is \$10 a year. I appreciate your renewals and hope that everyone will continue

working with us. Lots of us working together is what it takes to add all the little bits of information.

I do hope all of you have a very Merry Christmas and happy new year — and really successful year with your genealogy

You

Bonnie



*MERRY CHRISTMAS
& tflWPY NEW YEAR*

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NEW NAMESANCESTOR

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Henry B.
 Chesley
 Cyrus

NEW COUSINS

* Betty Landers says that she has spoken to Brad Howland and has had email contact with Al Carhart concerning Henry Bradford Coffey. Both men have been so much help but she still would like to locate a descendant of Henry B. so keep her in mind. Mr. Howland and Mr. Carhart lines are through Alexander H. Coffey, brother of Henry B.

Thanks to Jack Coffee, Al Carhart and Brad Howland, we now have a new Coffey Cousin. Betty's address is in the new cousins list. Email is dclander@bellsouth.net

* Fred Coffey, <FredCoffey@aol.com> has taken the DNA test and sent his lineage. Those who want to verify their lineage off of his line will find this a big help. He writes;

- (1) My name is Leo Frederick Coffey (called "Fred"), born in 1942.
- (2) My father is Leo Newton Coffey, 1901-1998.
- (3) His father is Newton Coffey, 1875-1969.
- (4) His father is William Coffey, 1848-1896.
- (5) His father is Newton Eli Coffey, 1823-1890.
- (6) His father is Eli Coffey, 1775-1833.
- (7) His father is Salathial Coffey, 1753-1784.
- (8) His father is probably Chesley

Coffey, born between 1720 and 1730, died after 1760. This connection is somewhat uncertain.

(9) His father might be Edward Coffey, roughly 1700-1774. This connection is very uncertain.

(10) His parents are probably Edward Coffey, born between 1650 and 1670, died 1716, and Ann Powell.

I believe number (10) is considered to be the most likely common ancestor of us "Coffey Cousins", and presume you will try to lead all lines back to there?

Fred Coffey, 2604 University Blvd., Houston, TX 77005

{Actually Lori Okel says that we have DNA from descendants of several lines, Edward Coffey, Chesley Coffey, Peter Coffee and Hugh Coffey all living in early Virginia. Bonnie}

* Larry Widigen is researching the line of his maternal grandmother, Mary Ann Delp who married Lester Coffey in 1901 in Whiteside Co., IL Lester was listed as age 24 making him born around 1876-1877. He was born in Kentucky. His father was listed as Cyrus Coffey and his mother as Emma Wheat. Note: A 1910 census entry lists Texas as his state of origin. Larry would appreciate help from anyone has information on this family. His address is in the new cousin list and e-mail: bignum@aol.com

Coffey/Coffee Cousins listen up

(by Lori Okel)

(COFFEY/COFFEE Cousins - Lets break down those Brick walls)

We have started a genealogy DNA project for the Coffee/ey surnames.

1. For all of you who would like to prove or disprove suspected relationships to other Coffey/ee lines.
2. To find new relationships for those who have reached a dead end in their genealogical paper trail.
3. To determine the countries of origin of the many Coffey/ee lines. The test will also tell us if there is America Indian in the DNA.
4. To develop a database that combines DNA results with traditional genealogy research.

To participate in this Y-chromosome DNA testing project, you must be a male with the COFFEY/COFFEE/COFFEE etc. surname. This test is painless as you only swab the inside of your jaw with two swabs.

We are using the Family Tree DNA company out of Houston, Texas.

The cost for the kit and test results is 12 markers for \$99.00 plus about \$2.00 for postage. For the 25 markers is \$169.00 plus about \$2.00 pp.

All you have to do is log on to FamilyTreeDNA.com to order your test.

Also if you have any questions you can e-mail them direct to receive an answer. You can also write me Lorie Okel, 18625 NE August Ave. Battle Ground, WA 98604 or [e-mail—lorieokel@yahoo.com](mailto:lorieokel@yahoo.com)

So far we have 8 who have ordered the kits, Luther Coffey descendant of Benjamin Coffey 1747-1834, Paul Coffey documented of Bennett Coffey, Fred Coffey from Chesley, Virgil Coffee from Larkin Coffee, Jack Coffee from Albert Coffee, Spencer Coffey from John Coffey (1773-1843), Jim Coffey from Marvel Coffey and Richard Coffey from George Coffey and Margaret Rucker.

Tim Peterman adds, "It would determine whether all of the presumed male line Coffey descendants of Chesley Coffey & Jane Cleveland really are related and whether the Chesley clan is really related to the nearby James Coffey clan and resolve questions of kinship to other large Coffey/ Coffee branches throughout the south.

OBITUARIES**WILLARD DUNCAN**

Willard Duncan died Oct 11, 2003. He is survived by his wife and daughter Julie Duncan Wilbur of White Pine, TN. We send our sympathy to Julie and her mother.

JESSIE COFFEE GOODLOE WILSON

Jessie Coffee Goodloe Wilson, sister of Reams Goodloe, died on December 4, 2002 in Tampa FL of complications from a brain tumor.. She was born January 3, 1926 in TN. She was a member of the Coffee Cousins and attended the convention in Sanford in 2000. She is survived by three daughters, Jan Wilson Morehouse of Casselberry Fl, June Lee Wilson Pettway of Duluth GA, Jaylynn Irene Wilson Krentz of Lynchburg VA and one son Jay Ward Wilson III of FL and seven grandchildren. Her divorced husband, Jay Ward Wilson II, disappeared in 1981 and is believed to have been a murder victim. We send our sympathy to her family.

KAREN L. COFFEY

Karen L. Coffey died October 11, 2003 in Aumsville, OR. She was born April 12, 1942 in Salem to William and Grace (Arnold) Earnest and went to North Salem High School. She married Larry Coffey on July 6, 1963 in Salem. They celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary this year.

She was a hair dresser for Meier and Frank in Salem.

Survivors include her husband, Larry; daughter and son-in-law, Janell and Bryan Snyder; son and daughter-in-law, Kent and Shelley Coffey; and three grandchildren. Interment will be at Restlawn Memory Gardens.

(Source: Statesman Journal, Salem, OR -from Jack Coffee)

STEVEN JAMES COFFEY

Steven James Coffey was born September 26, 1956 in Marysville, CA and died June 16, 2003 in Tucson, AZ. He was cremated and his ashes are to be scattered in a place of his liking. He is the brother of Januita (Coffey) Daniel.

CARLTON COFFEY

Carlton Coffey passed away on Tuesday Nov. 4, 2003 at the age of 75. He was born Aug 14, 1928 to William Adolph and Abbie Selvage Coffey. He attended Eureka schools.

Mr. Coffey worked for the Pacific Gas and Electric Co. For 35 years. He retired in 1986 as a line sub-foreman. He was a member of the Masonic Lodge for over 50 years and was a 32nd degree Mason for over 25 years. He is survived by Joanne, his wife of 54 years; a son, Criag C. Coffey and wife Linda of Crescent City; daughters, Janice M. Felt of Eureka and Wenda Jane Coffey of Santa Rosa; a brother, C. Richard Coffey and wife Ardell of Mesa, AZ; two grandsons, Jason D. Roblson and Jesse R. Smith both of Eureka. He was preceded in death by his mother Abbie E Hamner and stepfather Dr. Keith Hamner; his father Adolph Coffey; and son-in-law. Gerald A Felt. Interment was at Sunset Memorial Park, Eureka.

(Info. From www.tlmes.standard.com and Bennie Loftin)

STEVE RUCKER

On Wednesday, 29 October 2003, Steve RUCKER and three other firemen were fighting the fire in San Diego County. The fire overtook them too

fast for them to escape and Steve was killed. His companions are in the hospital with severe burns. Steve was 38-years-old.

Please, pray for the safety of all firemen. (The Ruckers are an allied family with many of our Coffey cousins.)

TERRY E. "T.C." COFFIE

A retired meter technician and a resident of Baton Rouge, died Sunday, Nov. 16, 2003, at 4:30 a.m. He was 58 and a native of Boston. He was a U.S. Air Force veteran, honorably discharged. Survived by his wife, Fannie L Coffie; mother, Vernella Coffie; three daughters, Martina Coffie and Myshawnick Coffie, both of Baton Rouge, and Dever and husband Alfred Hudson; two sisters, Gwendolyn Coffie, Sunnyvale, Calif., and Catina Sparks, Baton Rouge; a brother, Gerald Coffie, Boston; and a grandson, Bryce Hudson. Preceded in death by his father and maternal grandmother. Interment in Port Hudson National Cemetery. (The Baton Rouge Advocate, Thursday, Nov. 20, 2003 -from Jack Coffee)



NEW ADDRESSES

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DEAD ENDS

* Bennie Loftin is looking for information on "Coffey's Arkansas CAV. CSA.

She has found the following tombstone inscriptions;

Hamilton, Thomas; husband of Georgia Ann Hamilton;

COFFEY'S ARKANSAS CAV. C S A;

b. around 1833; d. 2 October 1941.

* Karen Hedrick says that she has a problem with her husband, Tommy's family. She states that although both Elijah/Elisha and Martha were both Coffeys, there is not much else that we know about them. We are not sure who Elijah's parents were—only that his father was a Samuel or Sam. As for Martha, we know her parents—Jasper Newton Coffey and Ruba Jane Shell—but we know nothing about Jasper and who his parents were. We can't find where these 2 men fit in. Tommy's great uncle, Henry Coffey, s/o Elijah/Elisha Coffey and Martha (Coffey) Coffey is still living and lives in Grainger Co., Ta Karen thinks it would be of great benefit to get Henry's DNA tested since they have been unable to find out much about Elijah (Henry thinks Elijah's father was a Samuel/Sam Coffey from Thorn Hill area of Grainger/Hancock County, Tn. Tommy's father was Billy Hedrick—Billy is s/o Robert Hedrick, grand son of William H. Hedrick and Margaret Coffey. Margaret was d/o Thomas Coffey and Martha Jane Shockley. If you can help Karen, her email address is csnyfan@starband.net

* Betty Coffey Scott of Dardanelle, AR, writes; "I have a daughter in Owasso, Ok. that has been looking for anything on the Coffeys, Her name is

Sandy Cardillicchio and her e-mail is MsSandyC@aol.com. My e-mail is grandmabettyjean@centurytel.net."

Betty's grandfather was George Samuel Coffey, born Dec 30th 1865 in Maury County, Tn. He died on Sept 3, 1930 at Russellville, AR. He married Sara Ann Foster—born Dec 31, 1868 in Ar. died Jan 23, 1950. Betty's Dad was John Seth Coffey born 1888 in AR. He died in Jan 28, 1976. He was married to Sarah Cleo Croy, born 1893 in AR. died Feb. 16, 1975. They were 10 of us that lived and 2 died when small. I'll send a list later. There was a George W. Coffey born 1829 Maury County Tn.. D 1881, TN. married Nancy Louiza Morrow B 1841 in Tn.— and a Samuel Morrow B 1808 in Hickman Co, Tn. D Aug. 4, 1869. He married Anna Maria Seagraves B 1820 in No, Carolina, also a William Morrow B - 1775, -D. Nov. 15 . 1815 in Smith Co, Tn. married Mary Martin in 1801 in Abbeville, S.C. A Thomas Morrow B about 1740 in S.C. died after 1815. As I said my daughter has more of the names, I so know my grandfather had an older brother by the name of John who had been here working on the rail road and wrote for them to come here and when they got here, he was no longer here and they never heard from him, but thought he may have gone on with the railroad to OK.

* Juanita Daniel <letadan@comcast.net> and Tim McGinnis <timmcginnis@comcast.net> have been working together to solve the murder of Perry Coffey in Ozark Co. MO. Tim sent the following to Juanita;
"I will send you the info "word for

word" later, as I don't have it in front of me and will have to find it in my stacks of papers. BUT, here is the bulk of it. . . . I was at the Springfield, MO library during early August and I was looking through old Springfield newspaper indexes. I found two vague references to clippings from 1886, one each from a different Springfield newspaper of the time. I looked both of them up on microfilm and here is what they said;

- (1) One paper had a brief note that said that A. M. Coffee, who had been held in the Springfield/Greene County jail for several months, was sent to Gainesville to stand trial for the murder of his uncle Peter Coffee.
- (2) The second one was from a few days later, in another paper, and said that J. F. Coffee, who had been imprisoned in Springfield for several months, was acquitted in Gainesville of the murder of his half-uncle Perry Coffee. (NOW, in the index listing for this clipping, someone had written "you genealogists; what is a half-uncle?" At the bottom of the page this note had been referenced and the explanation was given "The half-brother of one of your parents").

The first clipping and the second clipping are obviously about the same situation, but the first one is apparently in error. We know that the victim was not Peter Coffee. Also, the A. M. Coffee may well be wrong as well. The J. F. Coffee from the second clipping (it may have been spelled Coffey, can't remember) fits in with the handed down story of a "Finley" Coffey. But who was he? Was he A. J. Coffey's son? Was he the son of

another brother of **A. J.** or Perry? Of course, we're pretty sure that **A. J.** and Perry were **half-brothers**.

Wouldn't you know **it** that all papers from 1885, the year of the incident, are **all MISSING** from collections **in** the Springfield Library!

I went to Gainesville in hopes of finding old clippings or references to the murder/trial etc They really have nothing down **there**. The Ozark County Times keeps no records, and they say anything that was ever copied is at the Missouri Historical Society in **Columbia, MO**. At the Ozark County Court House, they didn't have anything, and the lady that was there to talk to me and my Mom acted **like** she really didn't want us asking in the first place :)

I've GOT to believe that there is information out **there**. **And you** know what, **I've** got to believe there are some old timers around Gainesville that must remember some stories, etc. I went to visit my Aunt **Lois** at the facility she lives in now in Gainesville she is my Uncle Melvin **Scott's** widow). She remembered the story but didn't remember who the accused was, only that he was "kin".

Any ideas on Finley Coffey? Could J. F. Coffey be him? I don't have any record and Andrew Jackson Coffey having a son named J. F., although I do believe there **was a J. M. who was his** son. **Know of** any Coffey researchers who might have a clue? This is interesting and fun, but kind of frustrating."

If anyone has any information on **this** line, they would like to hear from you.

* Shirley **Kays**, <kays@cdsinetnet>, is interested to know if anyone has any information on the following line of Susan

Elizabeth Coffey, b abt 1839 in Thorn Hill, Grainger Co. TN; **m** #1 in Grainger Co. 15 Nov 1858 James Crittenden **Webb** #2 Aaron McGinnis.

Susan and James Webb went to Ozark Co. MO in **1870's**. Their greatgrandson is Charles **Dolan** Webb. She is trying to connect the families of **Elisha B.** Webb, Abel **Webb** and Levi Webb.

1. John Crittenden Webb.

He married Mary Singleton Children Webb:
i Virginia Mary (Polly) Webb b. 1766.

Second Generation

2. Virginia Mary (Polly) Webb, b. 1766. After the death Of Virginia Mary's husband Jacob, she moved to Decatur IN, with her daughter Mary Delilah and husband William Fear. They moved from Harrison Co. **KY to Decatur Ca IN** in abt 1833.

She married Jacob Lanter, 20 Dec. 1787, in Orange Co. **VA**, b. 11 Aug. 1762, Orange Co. **VA**, (**son** of Peter Lanter and Susan Bourne) **d.** 1 July 1837, Campbell, KY.

Jacob appears on the pension roll, in Harrison Co. KY, **Feb.** 1833 showing an age of 73 years of age

Children Lanter

i Wyatt Lanter, b. abt 1788,

ii Benjamin Lanter, b. abt 1790,

iii William Lanter, b. 1791, married Rhoda **Callahan**.

iv Archibald Lanter, b. Dec. 1792, Orange Co. **VA** & 1882, Green Co. **VA**

Archibald and Theodosia (Callahan) Lanter had five **children**.

v Mary Frances Lanter, b. 1794.

vi James Lanter, b. 1795,

vii Mary Delilah Lanter b. 15 Nov. 1796.

viii Larkin Lanter, b. 14 Feb. 1796,

& 25 March 1887, Harrison Co. KY,
married Nancy Millner, 26 June 1819, in
Harrison Co. KY.

ix John Thompson Lanter, b. 1800,
Decatur Co. IN, mar. Mariah Handen

Third Generation

Mary Delilah Lanter, b. 15 Nov. 1796,
Orange Co. VA, d. 18 Nov. 1865, Decatur,
IN, buried: Grove Cemetery, Hartsville, IN
She married William Hamler Fear, abt
1814, in KY

Children Fear.

i Martha Frances Fear, b. 22 Aug 1837,
Clay Twp. Decatur Co. IN, d. 17 Sep. 1923,
St Louis Crossing, Flat Rock Twp.

Bartholomew Co. IN, buried: Sharon
Cemetery, Clay Twp. Bartholomew Co. IN.

She married Levi Webb, 10 Nov. 1855, in
Decatur Co. IN b. 13 July 1833, Hancock

C., IN, (son of Abel Sr. Webb and
Elizabeth Kelsey) & 17 Dec. 1895, St
Louis Crossing, Flatrock Twp. Bartholmew
Co. IN, buried: Sharon Cemetery, Clay
Twp. Bartholomew Co. IN.

Children Webb:

i William Abel Webb, b. 2 Dec. 1856,
Decatur Co. IN, d. 1863, Decatur Co. IN

ii Delilah Jane Webb, b. 16 June 1858,
Decatur Co. IN, & 26 June 1940,

Bartholomew Co. IN, buried: Hope
Cemetery, Hope, Bartholomew Co. IN. She
married Thomas Everroad, 11 Dec. 1876,
in Hope, Bartholomew Co. IN. Thomas:
Thomas and Delilah Webb and four
Children.

iii Unknown Infant Son Webb, b. 21 Jan.
1860, Decatur Co. IN, d. 25 Jan. 1860,
Decatur Co. IN, buried: Center Grove
Cemetery, Decatur Co. IN

iv Minerva Elizabeth Webb, b. 30 June
1861, Decatur Co. IN, d. 11 July 1881,
Clifford, Bartholomew Co. IN. She married

William Henry McIntyre.

v William R. (A.) Webb, b. 1 Nov. 1862,
Decatur Co. IN, d. 20 Jan. 1951, Masonic
Home, Franklin, Johnson Co. IN, buried:
Hope Cemetery, Hope, Bartholomew Co.
IN. He married (1) Malissa Ella Gillispie, 18
Sep. 1884,

married (2) Lydia Roberts, 13 Mar 1892.

vi Wilbur Newton Webb, b. 23 Mar 1867,
Decatur Co. IN, d. 24 Nov. 1949,
Bartholomew Co. IN

vii Martha Ann Webb, b. 28 April 1869,
Decatur Co. IN, d. 17 Oct 1904, Hope,
Bartholomew Co. IN, buried: Sharon
Cemetery, Clay Twp. William and Martha
Webb McIntyre were the parents of 7
children. Martha was the 2nd wife of
William McIntyre. Williams first wife,
Minerva Elizabeth Webb was Martha Anns
sister.

viii Willard Holman Webb b 7 Sept 1870.

ix Mary Matilda Webb, b. 4 Dec 1873,
Decatur Co. IN, d. 14 Nov. 1950/51,
Bartholomew Co. IN, buried: Hope
Cemetery, Hope.. She married Ralph
McNeely.

x Robert L Webb, b. 25 July 1876,
Bartholomew Co. IN, d. 20 Nov. 1938.
mar. (1) Ida M. Greenfield - mar. (2) Ollie
Kennedy, 25 May 1916.

xi Franklin B. Webb, b. 20 Dec. 1880,
Bartholomew Co. IN, d. 16 Nov. 1882.

* Rick Reid, <iemanja@cox.net>, has been
researching the early Coffey family and
has a question. Rick says that on the
Coffey Cousins Clearinghouse web page
there is information from the late Dr.
Marvin Coffey's book. "It says that Edward
Coffey was given "His Freedom, Corn &
Clothes" from the Mosley Estate in Sept of
1700. I have seen this on different
websites, some stating Sept 10, 1700. I

need the document source of this information in the Colonial Records (Probably Essex County, VA) I have been through these records and must have overlooked it somehow. I have found the Will of CoL William Mosley which mentions "servant Ed Coffe" in 1699. I have also found an Estate Inventory for CoL William Mosley dated June, 1700. The names of the Black Slaves and the Indentured Servants are listed, but Edward Coffey's name does not appear. Strange, since he has been reported as being "released" from his Indenture in Sept 1700. The Estate Account record for CoL William Mosley does not appear until 1706. In this record, it says Edward was given his "Freedom Corn & Clothes but does not say when. This "proof document ties the others together."

* Norma Weismann says that she has lived in Wisconsin for the last 46 years but was born in Temple, TX. Her grandmother, Parkey Coffey was born in Creelsboro, Russell co. KY in 1882; her father, John Wesley Coffey, (1845-1899) lived his whole life in or near, Russell co. KY. He was a sheriff or constable there. His first wife was killed by an outlaw at a very young age, and his second wife died shortly after Parkey was born in 1882. John W. Married his third wife when Parkey was about 2 years old. Norma believes that he had one child by his first wife and quite a few children by the last two wives, but she is still trying to verify this information. She believes that his father was Andrew Coffey and his grandfather a Martin Coffey in Russell Co., (She also believes that there were two Martin Coffeys in Russell co. So is at a stand-still for now. If you can help

Norma, her address is 125 Cedar Ridge Dr., Unit #S-134, West Bend, WI, 53095-3673; email is; snomann7@msn.com

* Teri Stanek wants help. She writes: "I come from Hugh Coffey, who begot John Melvin Coffey, begot Hugh Ben Coffey, begot Vanita Ann (Coffey) Bell, begot Fredrick Hugh Bell, begot me, Teri Vanita (Bell) Stanek. They are from Cooksville, Daingerfield, Omaha and Mt Pleasant Texas. There were 4 brothers (John, Hugh, Gig and Brinton) bora in Adair City Kentucky and lived in Scottsboro, Jackson City, Alabama before going to Texas. I know that Langston Coffey was with them. What I do not know is how Langston was related to them or who the father was to the 4 brothers. (Also, do not know who John and Gig are). Hugh, Langston and Brinton are all buried in Omaha and Daingerfield, Texas. Hoping that the "cousins" can help me connect to one of the estab-lished line going to Chesley, Salathiel, Gen. John Coffey, Joel, etc I have read Marvin Coffey's books, spent 2 weeks in Salt Lake City, been to Adair City Kentucky twice, and Alabama once and to Texas many times. Cannot find the piece of the puzzle I need. So look

forward to being in touch with other cousins and hopefully meeting some of them. I live at 12316-A North May Ave #132, Oklahoma City, OK 73120 email; teristanek@hotmail.com

* Betty Landers is trying to find info on Thomas Coffee buried in Wartrace in family graveyard, Oct 22 1891. I would like to know wife and children's names and who are Thomas Coffee parents. If you can help Betty she would appreciate an email at dclander@bellsouth.net.

CORRECTIONS & ANSWERS

For Sheri Kelly, Sept Issue 92, page 8. I have listed an address that I am not sure where it came from. Please see her address in the new cousins list

THEN — Joyce Grisby has sent an answer to Sheri's question as to the murder of William Coffey. I quote:

The Wm. Coffey, Sheri asked about was William Find Coffey, son of Calvin and Elizabeth Fine Coffey. Wm. Fine was the great grandson of one of Maurey Co. TN's early settlers, Chesley Coffee, Jr., This incident happened in Mt Pleasant TN, in Maury Co. NOT Hardin Co. Wm. Fine was a Lt in the CSA and was sent to conscript some men for the CSA This Howell fellow was conscripted which made him angry. Also there were no supplies for the new recruits and this caused more hard feelings as men were without food and basic necessities.

Howell deserted under these conditions and joined the Union, but blamed Coffey for his ill luck. Wm. Fine was sitting defenseless on the porch in Mt Pleasant when he was shot Howell was in the company of another Union soldier.

Wm Fine Coffey's wife, Priscilla (Howard) Coffey took her family to Texas after a court case was held over this incident This case can be found in Maury Co. TN in the old records department It was a lengthy case. Joyce says that she does not know who Major Howell was but feel this was a given name and not a military rank. She has checked the Howells in the 1860 census in Maury Co. But could not find Howell

Someone suggested that this was the Howell killed by "Night Raiders" in his home about this time This seems to suggest a very sad ending for both Wm. Fine and Major Howell

Joyce says that she looks forward to exchanging information with descendants of William Fine Coffey's father, Calvin Coffee, his grandfather, Nathan Coffey who married Elizabeth Gilbreath, or his

great grandfather, Chesley Coffey, jr. Who married Margaret Baldwin. Joyce's line is Isaac Hamilton Coffey, son of Calvin and Elizabeth (Fine) Coffey and brother to William Fine Coffey. Hamilton's only child was named for his deceased uncle, Wm. Fine, and was Joyce's maternal great grandfather. He was called Billy. Joyce's address is 1224 County Road 363, Lexington, AL 35648.

CURRENTS IN THE STREAM**CONFEDERATE DEAD**

from Bennie Loftin.

W.W. Coffey is William W. Coffey, son of Cleveland Coffey and first wife Susan Hayes.

Calvin Coffey, twin to Calton, is son of Benjamin Coffey and Nancy Hayes.

Of the five that joined "D" Company of the 26th TN on the same day, only Marvel Coffey survived. Calton joined the same company later. He deserted.

Bennie has also sent pictures of really rough, hand carved tombstones from Kentucky. They read;

N. Coffey, b. Apr 28, 1837, d. Nov. 4, 1903
M. E Coffey, b. July 18, 1872, d. Oct 16, 1884

* We wrote about a series of books written by a Jan Coffey a couple of issues ago. It seems that Reams Goodloe found information on this Jan Coffey. Reams sent the following;

"As you may have already know, the book author Jan Coffey is a fictitious name, or pen name for James and Nikoo McGoldrick of CT. Jan for "J"ames "A"nd "N"ikoo. This information is on their web site www.JanCoffey.com, which was listed in the back on another Jan Coffey book."

* Dan Page, at; depage@ipa.net, says, "The only Coffey in my database is Charlotte Catherine Coffey b abt 1835 TN, d 1 May 1875 Farmersville, Collins Co. TX. She md Granville Wilcoxson, a descendant of Squire Boone. His brother David Wilcoxson md Nancy Bailey and the Baileys had Milton Huggins connections. Tenn. locations included Giles Co. and Maury Co. Some of that would be in the book "The Descendants of Elisha Milton."

* Bennie Loftin
<bloftin@indiannatloninternetnet> found this John L Coffey in the 1920 census by accident

Marshall Co. OK O'Dell Township ED. 164
John L. Coffey, 30, born in OK, father in MO, Mother in OK
May H. wife 28 TX AL TX
Bernice dau 8 OK OK TX
John L son 5 5/12 OK OK TX
Sadie B. dau 2 2/12 OK OK TX
Also in that same township was Lee Coffee, age 18, born OK, both parents born in TX. Lee living in the house hold of Edward S. & Mattie Mackle. Lee was listed as a step-son.

Bennie had found the following earlier.
Marshall County, OK, Marriage Records;
Volume I, Dates 26 Nov 1907 to 8 June 1912;

John L Coffee - May French, page 287
M.O. Coffee-Addie Moates - page 537.

Bennie also found the following marriage record this morning.

Atoka Co. OK Court House, Book 2 page 512

Vesta Coffee age 19 of Atoka, OK
Henry Rowton age 24 of Tushka, OK
married 3 July 1913


License was applied for by Walter F. Mobb age 23 for the above couple.

Witnessed by W.F. Mobb and James Rowton

* The next Rucker Reunion will be held in Lynchburg, Virginia on June 18, 19 and 20, 2004. It will be at the same time as the James River Bateau Festival. Peter and sons invented the bateau boat I think. They have bateau races and things like that at the festival. I think their will be a Rucker Family entry in a parade of boats.

* Thelma Barberree of 2415 Washington Ave., Findley, OH 45840 has started researching her Coffey ancestors again and is looking to re-join us again. She descends from Reuben and Naomi (Hays) Coffey through their daughter Denzla Coffey. We look forward to hearing from her again.

MAIL BOX



Ed Coffee wrote that his father, Virgil Coffee, was in the hospital with congestive heart failure Nov. 20-23. He is out now and is staying with his daughter, Pat, in Albuquerque. It was a near fatal episode, but the doctors were able to pull him through using some strong medication. Virgil told Ed that he feels very weak but thinks he is recovering from this episode. (We sure hope that he is a LOT better by the time he gets this newsletter.)

William M. Coffey called and wanted us to send a copy of the newsletter to his sister Agnes Coffey Jenness of Fort Worth TX. We hope she enjoyed reading it. Bill is from 2980 Yukon Cir., Cedar Park, TX 78613. They both descend from Hugh Coffey.

DOCUMENTS GALORE

GRAINGER CO., TN - CEMETERIES

Stalsworth/Stolsworth Family Cemetery
<http://ftp.rootsweb.com/pub/usgenweb/tn/grainger/cemeteries/stalcem.txt>
 (This information came to CCC from
 From:* Sheri Kelly
 <bluemoonrotts@yahoo.com>

Directions: Traveling northeast from Knoxville, TN on US Highway 11W, pass through Blaine, TN & turn right on Indian Cave Road at the east side of town. Continue till the road divides at Nance Ferry Road & Indian Ridge Road. Turn left & continue on Indian Ridge road. Indian Ridge Baptist Church is on the right just past Fennel Road, eight miles from US Highway 11W. The New Indian Ridge Cemetery is on both sides of the road approaching the Church. Continue past the church 1/10 mile east, & turn right onto a gravel lane at the top of the hill. Follow the lane south about 100 yards, & the Stalsworth Family Cemetery is on the right about 50 yards to the west. This cemetery was surveyed by Harlon V. Wells on 25 Oct. 1980. It was clean and well kept throughout. Its somewhat elevated location provides a beautiful view of the surrounding country-side.

GRAVES

- 1-7 Unmarked Grave-Fieldstone Marker
 8) William R. Stalsworth, son of Dudley Roger STALSWORTH & Pearley DIXON, b. Apr. 12, 1918, d. May 31 1918
 9) William Daniel Stalsworth, son of Samuel STOLSWORTH & Susan COFFEE, born April 23, 1868, died Jan. 19, 1932, unmarried.
 10) Martha Lona Stalsworth, daughter of Samuel STOLSWORTH & Susan COFFEE, b. Feb. 20, 1877, d. Apr. 19, 1947 unmarried.

11) Raymond Stolsworth, son of Samuel STOLSWORTH & Susan COFFEE, d. March 24, 1873, b. April 6, 1873

12) Samuel Stolsworth, son of Amos STALSWORTH & Katherine MURPHY b. Nov. 17, 1833, d. July 15, 1899

13) Susan Stolsworth, (ne) COFFEE, b. July 23, 1836, d. June 16, 1911.

She married Samuel STOLSWORTH in Grainger County, TN, on 19 Feb 1855.

14) Nolia Stolsworth, daughter of Samuel STOLSWORTH & Susan COFFEE b. Sept. 17, 1870, d. Mar. 4, 1895

15) Retta Chesher Full name: Mary Aretta STOLSWORTH born Oct. 15, 1865 died Aug. 23, 1913 daughter of Samuel STOLSWORTH & Susan COFFEE Wife of John CHESHER

Some info from Claiborne Co., TN Obituary Book - Vol. 3 - 1940 to 1949 by Mark Treadway, page 146.

COFFEE, WILUAM CASWELL - Jan. 10, 1952

William Caswell Coffee was born (faded) passed away December 31, 1951, being 62 years of age. Survivors: wife Mrs. Alice Young Coffee of Sandusky, Oh.; daughter Mrs. James Drinnon of Lone Mountain; sons Leonard, Charles Coffey of Tazewell; one brother Tilmon Coffey of Mohawk, Tenn.; two half sisters Mrs Cordy Davis of MD, Mrs. Nan Seals of Howards Quarter; half brothers Albert and Kyle Coffey of Tazewell, Arthur Coffey of Washburn, Clint Barnard of Sandusky, Oh., Milburn Coffey and Mat Coffey of Sandusky, Oh., Hamilton Coffey of Tazewell.

He was a member of the Missionary Baptist Church in Hancock County. Funeral services were held at 1:30 p.m. Friday at the Chittum Chapel Church with

Rev. Sam Coffey and Rev. Johnnie Coffey officiating.

Interment in the Mabe Cemetery. Coffey Stubblefield Funeral Home in charge.

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Lori Okel sent some Obituaries that she found as they might help someone in the future.

W. "BILL" HOWARD COFFEE

William "Bill" Howard Coffee 81, of Gold Hill died Sat. Sept. 8, 2001, at Rodgue Valley Medical Center. A grave side service will be held at Hillcrest Memorial Park. Hull & Hull Funeral Director is in charge of arrangements. Coffee was born June 27, 1920, in Atheno, Tenn. He worked as a test pilot for an aircraft manufacturing company. He married Eleanor Parisi, who died on May 18, 2000. (DAILY CURIER, Grants Pass. OR. Sept.12, 2001)

JESS ROBERT COFFEY

Jess "Red" Coffey, 77 of Loma Linda died Nov 2, 2000 at Redland Health Care Center. Born 19 May 1923, Coffey, a native of Perryville, MO., lived in Loma Linda 65 years. He was owner/operator of Coffey Tile Co. for 40 years and was a World War II Marine Corps Veteran. Survivors include his daughter, Ronda of San Diego; his brother, Jim of Redlands; and his sister Betty Bullerdieck of St. Louis. Services at Redlands Church of Christ, Roosevelt Rd., Redlands. (SAN BERDINO SUN, Fri. Nov. 10, 2000)

Joyce Grigsby sent a copy of a page from a journal kept by one of the Grigsby family on their trip to California about 1850. We hope someone will recognize the James Coffee listed. It is very interesting and much longer than can be printed here. The list of names might

help to identify this James Coffee. If you recognize this James, Joyce can be contacted for more information.

May 23 - We are camped in the Black Hills 10 miles above Fort Laramie. We have an old man in our train by the name of Stripling who worries that all the horses will die, making such hard drives. We have had an awful lot of windy weather on the Platte river. I saw two buffalo and some antelope today. We had a little row in camp today between JAMES COFFEE and Frederic Western, but no blood was shed. At night we had a nice dance. There are four lady dancers in the train.

May 31 - We are at Willow Springs between the Platte and Sweetwater Rivers. This day's travel makes just two months since we left St. Louis.

June 1 - We are on Sweetwater River 3 miles below Independence Rock. It is 500 yards long by 100 feet high. It is covered with names of hundreds of emigrants. Six miles farther we passed Devils Gate. We now have our guarding arranged. There are 32 men in our train. We put six men on each night, 3 until midnight and 3 to replace them for the balance of the night. Two are left off to act as camp hunters. They are Mr. Beech and A. F. Grigsby.

First Guard

Frederic Western
James Peter
John Tuttle
Wiley Hawley
Tompson Coan
Chriss the Dutchman

Second Guard

John Taylor
WilsonBurdsey
Collier Gordon
Ezra Moe
John McIver
Geo. Robbins

Third Guard

A.G. Rhodes
McRobbins
Wm. Gibbs

Fourth Guard

John Taylor
G.S. Branard
Hugh Knowles

Deacon Parsons	Alec Moe	Henry Williams	Frank Palmer
Ez Peters	Joe Robbins		
Noah Sheckles	C. B. Stripling	Western, Gibbs, Stripling, Gordon and	
<u>Fifth Guard</u>		Beech have their wives & families along.	
JAMES COFFEE	John Hughs		
R.F. Grigsby	Warren Lockman		

COFFEE/EYS IN BUSINESS IN IRELAND

(from Tom Veal, continued from Issue 13, page 16)

First name	Last name	Occupation	Address	Page	Chrono.
District		Source			
COFFEY	POSTING ESTABLISHMENT				
	CAPPOQUIN TOWN Co	WATERFORD THOM'S	1909/1910	233	1909
THOMAS	COFFEY	LABOURER	2 COLLEGE GREEN,		
	BALLYTRUCKLE WATERFORD CITY	THOM'S	1909/1910	59	1909
JOHN	COFFEY	WATCHMAN	37 JOHNSTOWN		
	WATERFORD CITY	THOM'S	1909/1910	68	1909
MICHAEL	COFFEY	LABOURER	43 MORRISON'S ROAD,(OPPOSITE SIDE)		
	WATERFORD CITY	THOM'S	1909/1910	76	1909
JOHANNAH	COFFEY	1 PERRIN'S COTTAGES			
	WATERFORD CITY	THOM'S	1909/1910	81	1909
JOHN	COFFEY	PENSIONER-ROYAL	IRISH CONSTABLUARY		
POLEBERRY	(OPPOSITE SIDE) WATERFORD CITY	THOM'S	1909/1910	82	1909
ELIZABETH	COFFEY	HOUSEHOLDER	45 THE GLEN (BALLYBRICKEN)		
	WATERFORD CITY	THOM'S	1909/1910	91	1909
JAMES	COFFEY	MONUMENTAL SCULPTOR	BALLYRAGGET		
	Co. KILKENNY	BASSETT KILKENNY	1884	157	1884
PATRICK	COFFEY	ABBEYSIDE SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPH	ABOUT 1905		
	ABBEYSIDE DUNGARVAN Co.	WATERFORD YOUNG HISTORY OF DUNGARVAN			
83	TIMOTHY	COFFEY	BALLYMACMAGUE WEST,		
	DUNGARVAN Co.	WATERFORD 1901 CENSUS/NOEL FARRELL		3	1901
WILLIAM	COFFEY	38 ST MARY'S STREET,			
	DUNGARVAN Co.	WATERFORD 1901 CENSUS/NOEL FARRELL		13	1901
WILLIAM	COFFEY	2 SHEARS STREET ABBEYSIDE,			
	DUNGARVAN Co.	WATERFORD 1901 CENSUS/NOEL FARRELL	1	5	1901
PATRICK	COFFEY	2 SHEARS STREET, ABBEYSIDE,			
	DUNGARVAN Co.	WATERFORD 1901 CENSUS/NOEL FARRELL		15	1901
MARGARET	COFFEY	SHOP ASSISTANT	31 GRATTAN SQUARE,		
	DUNGARVAN Co.	WATERFORD 1911 CENSUS/NOEL FARRELL		23	1911
PAULINE	COFFEY	3 MITCHEL STREET,			
	DUNGARVAN Co.	WATERFORD 1911 CENSUS/NOEL FARRELL		26	1911
SARAH	COFFEY	43 O'CONNELL STREET,			
	DUNGARVAN Co.	WATERFORD 1911 CENSUS/NOEL FARRELL		28	1911
PATRICK	COFFEY	SAILOR	2 SHEARS STREET, ABBEYSIDE,		
	DUNGARVAN Co.	WATERFORD 1911 CENSUS/NOEL FARRELL		30	1911
MARY	COFFEY	SHOPKEEPER	43 ST MARY STREET,		
	DUNGARVAN Co.	WATERFORD 1911 CENSUS/NOEL FARRELL		32	1911

ALICE	COFFEY 43 ST MARY STREET, DUNGARVAN Co. WATERFORD	1911 CENSUS/NOEL FARRELL	32	1911
PATRICK	COFFEY 43 ST MARY STREET, DUNGARVAN Co. WATERFORD	1911 CENSUS/NOEL FARRELL	32	1911
AGNES	COFFEY 43 ST MARY STREET, D UNGARVAN Co. WATERFORD	1911 CENSUS/NOEL FARRELL	32	1911
MARY	COFFEY O'CONNELL STREET Co. WATERFORD	1936 ELECTORS REG NF	39	1936
JAMES	COFFEY PARNELL STREET, DUNGARVAN Co. WATERFORD	1936 ELECTORS REG NF	39	1936
KATE	COFFEY SARFIELD STREET, ABBEYSIDE, DUNGARVAN Co. WATERFORD	1936 ELECTORS REG NF	40	1936
THOMAS	COFFEY 9 COOLAGH, DUNGARVAN Co. WATERFORD	GRIFFITHS 1856 NF	44	1856
HONORIA	COFFEY 9 DEVONSHIRE SQUARE, DUNGARVAN Co. WATERFORD	GRIFFITHS 1856 NF	44	1856
DENIS	COFFEY 29 KING STREET, ABBEYSIDE, DUNGARVAN Co. WATERFORD	GRIFFITHS 1856 NF	45	1856
WILLIAM	COFFEY 8 GRATTEN STREET, YOUGHAL, Co. CORK YOUGHAL	NOEL FARRELL 1901 CENSUS	006	1901
NORA	COFFEY PROSPECT HALL, YOUGHAL, Co. CORK, YOUGHAL, Co. CORK	1943 ELLECTORS REG -NF	38	1944
WILLIAM	COFFEY PROSPECT HALL, YOUGHAL, Co. CORK YOUGHAL, Co. CORK	1943 ELLECTORS REG -NF	38	1944
NELLIE	COFFEY STRAND STREET, YOUGHAL, Co. CORK YOUGHAL, Co. CORK	1943 ELLECTORS REG -NF	39	1944
MAUD	COFFEY SOUTH ABBEY, YOUGHAL, Co. CORK YOUGHAL, Co. CORK	1943 ELLECTORS REG -NF	39	1944
WILLIAM	COFFEY 30 SOUTH MAIN STREET, YOUGHAL, Co. CORK YOUGHAL, Co. CORK	GRIFFITH'S VALUATION [NF]	47	1851
JAMES	COFFEY 36 SOUTH MAIN STREET, YOUGHAL, Co. CORK YOUGHAL, Co. CORK	GRIFFITH'S VALUATION [NF]	47	1851
JAMES	COFFEE SHOPKEEPER SOUTH MAIN STREET, YOUGHAL Co. CORK	POLL BOOK, ANN BARRY	145	1835
JOHN	COFFEE QUAY LANE, YOUGHAL, Co. CORK	POLL BOOK. ANN BARRY	146	1835
JAMES	COFFEY SHOPKEEPER SOUTH MAIN STREET, YOUGHAL Co. CORK	POLL BOOK, ANNE BARRY	42	1837
JOHN	COFFEY SHOPKEEPER QUAY LANE, YOUGHAL, Co. CORK	POLL BOOK, ANNE BARRY	42	1837
COFFEY & FERRALL	BREWER & MALSTER CENTUAR LANE, CARLOW, Co. CARLOW	PIGOT'S DIRECTORY 1824	139	1824
JOHN	COFFEY GROCER DUBLIN STREET, CARLOW, Co. CARLOW	PIGOT'S DIRECTORY 1824	139	1824
JAMES	COFFEY INN/HOTEL (WHEAT-SHEAF) BURRIN STREET, CARLOW, Co. CARLOW	PIGOT'S DIRECTORY 1824	139	1824
JOHN	COFFEY WINE AND SPIRIT MERCHANT, DUBLIN STREET, CARLOW, Co. CARLOW	PIGOT'S DIRECTORY 1824	140	1824

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Darby House, Clayton House and the
Fort Smith Art Center. Additional sites
by special appointment are Bonneville
House, Michael's Mansion and Im-
maculate Conception Church.

Our cost on the conference room de-
pends on how many rooms we use, so
round up the cousins and lets all visit
Ol' Fort Smith.

We will have a tear off reservation
section for the banquet offerings in
the March issue of CCC. It will also be
in the Howard Johnson Hotel. The
chef is from Scotland. Hear he's a
good cook.



We thank Bennie Lofth, who was able
to set this convention up in a very
short amount of time.

As most of you know, we were to go to
Amarillo, TX for the 2004 convention
but J. B. McCarley has had a couple of
tragedies happen in the last two weeks.
It is unthinkable that we would add
more stress to his life. He has lost his
sister and ex-wife both in only a few
days and is in New York state helping
his daughters with arrangemnts.
Please send sympathy cards to J. B. at
1512 Parker St., Amarillo, TX 79102.

* Jerry Coffee, Piano Texas sends the following:

CAMP COFFEE

On the eve of the Newtonia Engagement in late September 1862, CoL John T. Coffee's Missouri Volunteer Cavalry Regiment, CoL Trezevant C. Hawpe's Battery of the 31st Texas Cavalry, the 34th and 22nd Texas Cavalry Regiments (dismounted) established itself at the Big Spring at the head of Indian Creek, in SW Missouri. Often referred to as Camp Coffee, this camp was located six miles south of Newtonia, or halfway between the present day communities of Stella and Newtonia Missouri. Confederate CoL Douglas Cooper's Indian command was posted at Carey's Ferry, twelve miles west of Elk

Mills in Indian Territory. In addition to Coffee's Brigade, there were 4000 un-armed Missouri and Arkansas recruits undergoing training at Elm Springs, halfway between Bentonville and Fayetteville Arkansas. This occupation by Confederate forces of strategic positions in the border areas served to increase Union apprehension that an attempt to retake Missouri was being planned. Federal units under Gen. Curtis were posted in the area as a buffer force to delay any major Confederate move on the Union headquarters and supply depot at Springfield, Missouri.

