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PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Hello Cousins!

It's been a long, hot and dry summer in NE Louisiana. I'm ready for some cooler weather at the higher altitudes of Chadron, NE!

Plans continue apace for the 2006 convention. There are "to date" plans on the Coffey Cousins' website; just click on the link to 2006 convention info.

There is one early warning:

If you want to ride the dinner train, you must get your reservations to me by April 12, 2006. The ride is limited to 35 people. We do not have to have 35; that's what the train holds. If only a few want to go, I need to know who you are ASAP! This dinner will be in addition to our regular business meeting banquet on April 29.

There has been some extremely good e-mail exchanges lately with a number of researchers looking for Coffey ancestors in Grainger Co. I have made updates to the

Edward and Ann Powell Coffey file, and will be posting them to the Coffey Cousins' website in the near future.

Jack

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EDITOR'S LETTER

Dear Cousins,

This has certainly been a frightening week. Several of our Coffey Cousins or their families live in or near the hurricane effected areas. We're starting to hear reports of terrible damage but no loss of cousins at this point. We'll pray that it doesn't change.

It's been hot and dry all summer here in Missouri. We finally gave up on watering the grass and let it go dormant. I think it has been too hot and dry for most of you also, as the only research that I'm hearing about is being done by a group of cousins working on the Grainger Co. TN area. of them attended a workshop held there last month. Others have joined them in their sorting of Coffeys, Hayes, Dalton, Ruckers, etc. who lived in that area in the \overline{last} 200+ years. It is almost beyond my imagination, the number of inter-relationships they are finding.

The people involved that I have on my list at present are: Archie Dalton, Lori Okel, Shirley Dawson, Bennie Loftin, Bernice Mullins, Eva Jean Coffey, Sheri Kelly, Jack Coffee, Jean England, Betty Martin, Paul Shouse and Susan Johnson. I hope I haven't missed anyone! The list seems to be growing by the day.

Now, it's time to start planning your trip to Chadron, Nebraska. Jack is worried about us getting our reservations in early enough for the Dinner Train trip. The train company will take the first 35 reservations. They will not hold any spaces for us - SO - if you want to go, it is imperative that you make your reservations

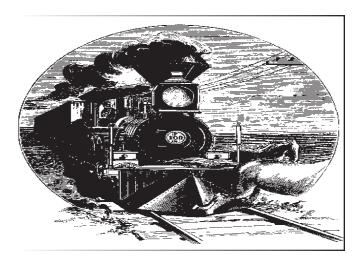
for it **NOW**. I'm sure that if something changes by the first of April, we can withdraw a reservation or two but they can't add extra people. I AM SENDING MY RESERVATION IN TODAY. It's really

not expensive for a very scenic trip and good meal combined. Also remember - there is no walking, except to your seat in the train. This is going to be an easy one for some of us "senior citizens". Sounds like fun. The town of Chadron was originally a Coffee Ranch and the whole town was owned and operated for and by the Coffee family. I look forward to learning more about then and the ranch.

Don't forget to do some research this quarter. We need more variety for our newsletter. (I am getting lots of obituaries from our Grainger Co. TN researchers.)

Sincerely, your Cousin

Bonnie



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NEW NAMES ANCESTOR

Nikoo K. McGoldrick, 46 Pine St., Watertown, CT 06795 Marilyn Harvey, 218 Abend St., Belleville, IL 62234

Newton

NEW COUSINS

* Nikoo and Jim McGoldrick are husband and wife team using the pseudonym of "Jan Coffey" for their writing. Nikoo sent me two copies of their books, autographed. I received them on a day that I was not feeling well, so I curled up in the big chair and read all day. I didn't quit until I had read all of both books. They are light reading but both had information that I was not familiar with, so as well as reading enjoyment. I learned something. One was on Aruba (Tropical Kiss), which is in the news every day lately, and the other (Five in a Row) had some unknown material on the electronic components of automobiles that I was unaware of. You can order them online www.MIRABooks.com

I'm hoping that Nikoo will let us know why they use Jan Coffey as their pseudonym by next issue. You can email them at JanCoffeyBooks@aol.com

* Marilyn Harvey of Belleville, Illinois is researching her husband's family. He is a descendant of Newton Coffey & Sarah Meredith. She is looking for their descendants in Illinois. Marilyn's e-mail address is mfgass@charter.net. The postal mail is listed above.

NEW ADDRESSES

Cecile Purcell, 4116 Fleet Landing Blvd., Atlantic Beach, FL 32233-7502.

Lois Bertram,5301 66th St.Rm 1102 Elmbrook Est. Lubboch, TX 79424

Jamie Key, 902 Meadows St., New Bern, NC 28560

MAIL BOX

Dave Coffey was disappointed that we have not been able to get any Coffeys currently living in Ireland to join the DNA project. He is planning to look some of them up on his next trip over and see if he can recruit someone. Dave said that he would gladly pay for their test. (Sure hope he can carry though on this. It would be really interesting.)

Doris Coffey Beard has moved to a nursing home. You can send cards through her daughter, Mrs. George Bradley, 1515 Magic Lane, Lodi, CA 95242.

Louise Bertram and her husband Eddie have moved to Lubbock, TX to be near their son and the excellent medical center there. Eddie has been ill and Louise asks that we keep them in our prayers.

Ramona Coffee, 2842 East 'D' St., Torrington, WY 82240 wrote that her daughter Jean Mower of Claymont, DE told her of the upcoming 2006 Coffey reunion to be held in Chadron, NE. Ramona was born in Chadron in 1920. Hope we get to see her there next April. She is recovering from major surgery so we hope she is well by then and back on her feet.

NEW E-MAIL ADDRESS

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Ken Coffee,
 krcoffee@wcsonline.net

OBITUARIES RICHARD "JACK" CRAWFORD

Mr. Crawford died Saturday, Aug 27, 2005, Tyler, TX, following a long painful battle with cancer.

He was born May 30, 1917 in Way, MS, to Joseph Leon and Alma Johnston Crawford. He grew up in Tillatoba, MS, graduating from High School in Oakland and Northwest Mississippi Junior College at Senatobia, MS.

He was preceded in death by his parents, one brother, two sisters and son, Richard E. Crawford Jr.

He joined the Civilian Conservation Corps, serving one year in the Pocono Mountains of Pennsylvania. In 1941, he began a 30-year career with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, lower Mississippi Valley Division, Vicksburg, MS. Twenty-two years was on the Mat Sinking Revetment Unit being appointed chief Inspector and Project Manager. He was in charge of surveying crews preparing for Lake Ouachita near Hot Springs, AR all 1,060 miles of shoreline. His last eight years were spent in Monroe, LA managing the locks and dams on the Ouachita River. He retired Mar. 19, 1971.

Survivors include his wife of 39 years, I.V.Horton Freeman; two stepchildren, Dr. J. Chris Freeman and wife Shane of Tyler; Margaret Freeman Hubert and husband Charles of Huston.

(Our sincere sympathy to I.V. and her children.)

ALVIN T. COFFEY

Alvin T. Coffey, 78, of Monroe, TN died July 7, 2005 at St. Vincent Mercy Medical Center, Toledo. Born March 21, 1927, in Thorn Hill, Tenn., he was the son of Carter J. (Jack) and Mary Ann "Dutch" (Turner) Coffey. He married Ethel Davidson July 6,1948, in Thorn Hill.

Mr. Coffey worked for Consolidated Paper Company in Monroe from 1948 to 1978. He served in the Army during WW2 from December 1945 until November 1947. He was a member of Frenchtown Missionary Baptist Church. Surviving are his wife; two sons, Larry A. of Monroe and Boyd M. (Susan) of Temperance; a daughter, Brenda L. (Richard) Cunningham of Monroe; a sister, Eva England of Tazewell, Tenn., and two grandchildren. He was preceded in death by a brother Hayden, and three sisters, Edith Coffey, Edna Hill and Agnes Dalton. (Monroe Evening News, July 9, 2005)

DORIS C. HAFLE

Mrs. Doris C. Hafle, 91, a resident of Northampton, died Sunday, July 31, 2005. She was the wife of Donald R. Hafle, who preceded her in death in 1985. Born in Alto, (formerly called Coffeytown) Va., on Dec. 9, 1913, she was the daughter of the late Ernest W. Sr. and Ethel M. Coffey. Doris was a 1933 graduate of the Lexington, Va., high school and served with the WAC Air Corp., March Field 4th Air Force, during WWII.

She is survived by a daughter, Donna K. Wolf of Virginia; a son and daughter-in-law, Tom and Betty Hafle of Frederick; two grandchildren, Crystal Lee Benthall and husband Andrew and Alan Hafle of Frederick; one sister, Juanita Blosser of Virginia; one brother, Straton Coffey of Virginia.

Besides her husband and parents, she was preceded in death by a sister, Audrey M. Holtzback; and brothers, Norman E. Coffey and Clayton W. Coffey.
Interment Resthaven Memorial

Interment Resthaven Memorial Gardens.

(Obit from Ellen Wagner)

EVA COFFEY ENGLAND

Eva Coffey England, died Sept. 1, 2005 at the Claiborne Co. Hospital, New Tazwell, TN. She was born Dec. 17, 1925 to Carter Jackson (Jack) and Mary Ann Turner Coffey. She was a first cousin to Jean England.

Dead End Roads

* Peggy Bernice Mullins, of 4275 Hwy. 131, Thorn Hill, TN 37881 is working on the following line. She says; "My parents were Rev. George Estle and Alice (Coffey) Hopson, Grandparents Henley Clay and Etta (Reece) Coffey, Great grandparents John Alfred and Cynthia (Monk) Coffey, Great g. grandparents Colby C. and Sarah Ann Emily (Parris) Coffey, Great g. g. grandparents John Jackson and Alsey Elise (Nash) Coffey, great g. g. grandparents John and Elizabeth (Rucker) Coffey. This John Coffey is the son of Benjamin Coffey, grandson of John and Jane (Graves) Coffey and g.grandson of Edward Coffey.

I am married to Rev. Matthew Mullins the son of William E. and Grace (Young) Mullins. Grace was the daughter of James Madison and Mattie (Dalton) Young."

* Jack Coffee asks; "Does anyone know if Harrison Antrican was the son of Pleasant and Martha Elizabeth Mayes Antrican?" Jack's address is 110 Lydia Road, St Joseph, LA, 71366-9630. His e-mail address; jkcoffee@yahoo.com

* Jessica Coufal was looking for Charles Oliver Coffey. With the aid of Marvin's book, I found that he was the son of Reuben. I sent a few pages of information and suggested that she try to get a copy of Marvin's book on Library Loan. Jessica expressed her appreciation and sent the following stories to share. She would also like to make contact with some more of her cousins at kjcoufal@cvtv.net.

Jessica writes; "I would like to share a story with you regarding my maternal g.g.g.grandmother Eliza Ann (Coffey) Wilkerson. We buried my g. grandmother Verna (Wilkerson) Sessom at the end of May 2005 it was in the family cemetery in Hext, TX on some old family land. One of my grandfather's cousins (a church

of Christ preacher), Neil told me, Momma was talking about having a hard time and grandma Coffey said, "I once had 4 of my babies corpses in 2 days, I know hard times." I have always heard from my q. grandmother about Grandma Coffey loosing 4 children and it is all recorded in the "History of Menard County" where I have read about it several times, but to hear a person tell her story was so real! Neil said that a man came through and offered to help on the farm and he brought the sickness with him, That's what it cost them.

One other fact that makes these people so interesting is that Eliza Ann Coffey Wilkerson's husband William Steven Wilkerson was a Confederate Soldiers and a prison quard. He became very close friends to one of his inmates. William Stanton. After the Civil War all of William Stanton's family was dead so he came to Texas to be neighbors with his friend William Steven Wilkerson (the prison guard). Years later, Levi Wilkerson son of (William Steven Wilkerson) married Mary Apiline Stanton daughter of (William Stanton).

(A side note) Just down from the family cemetery in Hext, TX is a sign that goes into a ranch that reads, "Coffee Cemetery ----->," I drove down the road once but it seemed to go on forever and west Texas ranches can do that you know. So, I went back." Jessica Coufal

* Reams Goodloe, our Indexer, catches our mistakes. He says someone is in error. The descendants of James Coffey by Gene Brewington pp. 63, 64 says Mary Warden married Joseph Coffey, son of Henderson Coffey and gs/o Lewis Coffey. The KY historical document quoted in CCC # 99 p.5 and previously says Mary Warden married Joseph Coffey JR. former does not give a date, but the age of Henderson's son would make it about the same as the 1859 date given for Jr.

is probable that they are talking about the same Mary Warden. The question now is, who is correct? If you know the answer, please send answer to Reams at: goodloev@bellsouth.net and include me Bonnie at bculey@aol.com

* Dick Coffey says, "I am still seeking info. concerning my great grandfather William Franklin Coffey, (1849-1911) or his father, know only as William Coffey, possibly a Cherokee Indian b: about 1817. I put together an abbreviated version of my family's line in hope that someone in the CCC will recognize something familiar and e-mail me at cofedik@yahoo.com. I am generation number 4 in this line."

Descendants of
William Franklin Coffey
1. William Franklin Coffey b:
Oct. 25, 1849 in Fentress Co.
Tenn. d: Dec. 21, 1911. Buried in
Lincoln, IL. md. Mary Elizabeth Mc
Query b: WFT est. 1834-1853 WFT
est. 1880-1944
Generation 2,3 & 4

- 2. Timothy Coffey b: in Sunbright, Tenn.
- 2. Abe Coffey b: in Sunbright Tenn.
- 2. Permelia Ebby Coffey b: April 3, 1883 in Sunbright Tenn. d: April 3, 1969 in Hustonville, Ky. (Hustonville Cemetery) md. Thomas Lane b: March 6, 1881 in Ellisburg, Ky. (Hustonville Cemetery)
- 2. Victoria Gibby Coffey b: April 3, 1883 in Sunbright Tenn. (A twin of Permelia)
- 2. Eller Coffey b; in Sunbright Tenn.
- 2. "Magie" Margaret Coffey b: in Sunbright Tenn.
- 2. Anna Coffey b: in Sunbright Tenn.
- Owen "Iggy" Coffey b: in Sunbright Tenn.
- 2. "Ed" Willis Edgar Coffey b: in Sunbright Tenn.
- John Coffey b: in Sunbright Tenn.
 - 2. "Jim" James Daniel Coffey b:

1875 in Moreland Ky. d: 1956. md. Elizabeth Dale Browning b: 1877 d: 1962.

- 3. Henry Hobert Coffey b: March 9, 1918 in Funks Grove, IL. d: April 5. 1982. Buried in Ottawa, IL. md. Harriet Caroline Yoesly b: Jan. 9, 1920.
- 4. Richard Hobert Coffey b:
 June 25, 1938 in Sandwich, IL.
 md. Sharon Lee Cox b: Oct. 1941
 in Marseilles IL. (Richard Dick
 and Sharon's children are: Michale
 Steven 1959, Pamela Lee 1960,
 James Richard 1966)
 Richard married 2nd. Ella Mary
 Washelesky b. 20 Jan 1937.
 Back to generation 2
- 2. Charles Harrison Coffey b: Junction City Ky.
 - 2. Oscar Coffey

WEST VIRGINIA VITAL RECORDS

Bonnie

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You may or may not have this information. You can join the Clinch Group at no cost. I have read some very interesting history on this web site.

Fred R. Coffey

To: <Clinch@yahoogroups.com>
Subject: Re: [Holston/Clinch]
Vital records on line at WV State
Archives

The WV State Archives is putting Indexed images of birth, death, and marriage records for various counties online at: http://www.wvculture.org/vrr/va_login.aspx.

You have to register but it's free. It's an ongoing project, so some counties aren't there or aren't completed. The index entries are linked to digital images of the actual records, and you can save them to your computer or print them out.

CURRENTS IN THE STREAM

"Grainger County and its People", 1796-1998

Book, by Everett Coffey, Thorn Hill, TN. Published by Walsworth Publishing Co.

An excerpt by Archie Dalton, adalton478@hotmail.com

Benjamin (son of John, grandson of Edward) sold his land in Wilkes co, NC Dec. 1808 and on Mar. 24 1809 purchased 200 acres on Big War Creek in what is now Hancock co, TN.

Others living nearby was: George Hayes, John Mills, Bennett Coffey, Thomas Coffey and Joel Coffey. Across the line in Grainger co., on Indian Creek lived Colby Rucker, John Coffey and George Coffey (and, in 1801, my ancestor, Reuben Dalton/Elizabeth Shockley, bought land on Indian Creek. That land, in today's geography, is not more than 1/2 mile NW of RT 131 just before it hits the county line.). All the above (except Dalton) had been neighbors in Wilkes County.

Everett Coffey did not know relationship of Joel and Thomas to Benjamin but did know they carried out business transactions for him in later years. Benjamin lived to be 84, died Jan 4 1834 and was buried near where John lived at the time.

Everett then listed the names of the children of John, George and Caswell.

Everett W. Coffey, assuming it is the same one, can be reached at 2676 Bullen Valley Road, Thorn Hill, TN 37881.

From the Dalton place, which is near Fairview, one looks NW around the end of War Ridge to Bald Point, into Hancock co. Continuing NW one reaches the Clinch River, which forms the border between Claiborne and Grainger counties. The Clinch and the Powell rivers are backed up to form Norris Lake but the Powell is across a considerable ridge or so it appears to me (Archie).

John and Elizabeth Rucker, (If I have the correct John) had land N of Clinch Mtn and NE of Thorn Hill and Elizabeth was charter member of Cedar Springs Baptist which is SE of the Dalton farm. Everett has the family Bible. Some weeks ago, at Lillian Harrell's birthday party, I (Archie) met the latest John Coffey. When an earlier John Coffey went to the war of 1812 he carried his gunpowder in a gourd and that gourd has been handed down to each family "John Coffey" in turn, to present day. Bible and the gourd, at the time of Everett's writing were one mile apart. Everett's book has some fascinating Coffey stories.

I remember in one of the books I have seen in the past it said that when Benjamin Coffey first came to Tennessee he settled in what was then Powell Valley, Hawkins County, TN near Ambrose Brewer.

Book available from: Don Mills, Inc., pob 34, Waynesville, NC 28786 Phone:704 452 7600 LC#98-84037 C 1998 Grainger County Heritage Book

MISSOURI LAND PATENTS Land Patents: 1831-1910 The Secretary of State and Missouri State Archives for the State of Missouri announced the posting of the new database available at www.sos.mo.gov. It is an ongoing project that when finished will cover all land records from 1820 to 1951. The database is arranged alphabetically by surname of purchasers. For more information you can contact the Archives Reference Staff at archref@sos.mo.gov.

GRAVES LINAGE

Archie Dalton of Jefferson City, TN ask what our source of descendency is for Jane Graves (d. 1792 Wilkes Co NC) Coffey, wife of John Coffey. My source is the Graves Family Newsletter by Kenneth Graves of Wrentham MA and 2005

Marvin Coffey in his Supplement to James B. Coffey.. Vol 2 Ancestors. The dissertation in the Graves Newsletter is rather long so I will use Marvin's work.

" Kenneth Graves feels that the research of Sue Davis, formerly of Benton, AR is reliable enough to establish that Thomas Graves' son Francis had a son John by a first wife (name unknown). Francis later (bef. 1678) married Mrs. Jane Maguffey. John married Johanna (Hannah) and they were the parents of Jane (Jean) Graves who married John Coffey. Assuming the data collected by Sue Davis is correct, then the following would be the descent from Capt. Thomas Graves who came to Virginia on the "Mary & Margaret" in 1608 and settled in Jamestown.

1. Capt. Thomas Graves, b. abt 1580, md. Katherine Crosher

Children: John b. not later than 1616, Thomas, Ann, Katherine, Valinda, and Francis. 2. Francis was b. ca 1630, d.

2. Francis was b. ca 1630, d. bef Aug 1691, md. 1st unknown, 1st child: John, b. 1675-78 (or earlier) d. 1720, md. ca 1698-1702 to Johanna

Children of John & Johanna: James, Benjamin, Martha, Ann and Jean (Jane), md. abt 1728 to John Coffey.

Francis Coffey md. 2nd to Mrs. Jane Maguffey who had previously been marred and had children John and Jane and perhaps Elizabeth.

Children of Francis and Jane: Francis jr, Richard, and Thomas. Notes: Since Francis was about 48 when he married the widow Jane Maguffey, it was thought that this is rather late for a first marriage.

Jane Graves Coffey was listed in her father's will of 5 Sept. 1719, Essex co. VA.

Hope this helps. I can provide the Graves Newsletter story/theory if needed. BC

DOCUMENTS GALORE

JACKSON CO. AL – WILL

Scottsboro Heritage Center Will Record (N) 1867-1869 pages 307 to End Jackson Co, Ala (pg.629) January 8, 1869

To the Hon. David Tate Judge of the Probate Court of Jackson County Alabama, The petitions of ABSOLUM COFFEY, JR. administrator of the Estate of Absolum Coffey Sr. deceased respectfully Shows unto Your Honor that Said decedent died in Said county. Seized and possessed of following described land Situated in Said county of Jackson Alabama and described as follows to whit. The SW 1/4 of the SW 1/4 and the NE 1/4 of the SW 1/4 All in Section 35 Township Six Range East and also the tract of land containing forty acres adjoining the Reynolds land on the east and Known and described as the Coffey tract of land on the West is public land and all the boundaries are by Pulic lands Petitions further represents that the estate of his intestate is Solvent and that in view there of he applies for an order of Sale of Said lands for the purpose of distribution among the heirs of Said decedent and he further States that Said lands cannot be fairly and equitably divided among the heirs of Said descedent by Meets and bounds without a Sale thereof and that it will be more beneficial to Said estate to Sell the lands than to divide the land by Meets and bounds and heirs and their secidences of Said intestate are BRENTON COFFEY of full age and RITHEA COFFEY of full age THOMAS COFFEY of full age. LEANDER who married FREEMAN, POLLY ANN COFFEY, MELAVNA COFFEY, HUGH COFFEY, and the three last are Minors. All the above named reside in Titus County Texas the Said minors are in the custody of their Mother's and the children all Minors of the estate of HUGH COFFEY deceased who was a Son and heirs of Said estate to wit JOHN WILLIAM and POLLY COFFEY who reside with their

Mothers in Titus County Texas and also the heirs of LANGSTON COFFEY decd a Son and heirs of decedent to wit NATHAN and WILLIAM COFFEY minors in custody of theirs residing in Titus County Texas and your petitioners ABSOLUM COFFEY, GEORGE COFFEY and NARCISSA COFFEY all of whom are of full age and reside in Jackson County Alabama. Petitioners prays your honor to grant Such order and decree in the persons and take Such further action there in as may be necessary to effectuate the prayers of petitioners to Sell Said lands herein before described for the purpose of division of the proceeds thereof among Said heirs. And as in duty bound of Absolum Coffey.

Sworn to Subscribed Absolum Coffey Adm. Bs.

Heirs at Law of Said estate before me this 8 day of Janry 1869 David Tate Judge

State of Alabama, Jackson County

OLD OBITS

We do not have a date of death or a first name for the following obit, but there is a record of her husband and his Social Security information.

Doctors Medical Center, Modesto, CA. Mrs. Coffee was a native of Alabama and lived in Patterson 25 years. She was an employee of Patterson Frozen Foods for four years. She was also a homemaker and was affiliated with New Hope of the Nazarene Church.

She is survived by her children, Mike Coffee of Ceres and Mark Coffee of Hawaii; brothers, Ocie Benson of Patterson and Joe Benson of Modesto; sisters, Audie LeLeiur of Patterson and Bea English of Modesto. She was preceded in death by her husband, Jesse Coffee. Burial at San Joaquin Valley National Cemetery, Santa Nella.

Name: Jesse D. Coffee

SSN: 416-20-3677

Last Residence: 95356 Modesto,

Stanislaus, California

Born: 5 Feb 1926 Died: 27 Aug 1994

State & year issued: AL (Bef 1951) REV. JOHN THOMAS COFFEY Coffey, Rev. John Thomas, age 75, was born March 19, 1915 passed away Aug 29, 1990. He professed faith in Christ and jointed the Oak Hill Baptist Church as a young man. He was ordained as a minister in 1940 a Veteran of World War II and retired worker from a tobacco warehouse in Ohio. He was a member of the Mount Oliver Baptist Church in Ohio at the time of his death. He was preceded in death by his wife, Magdeline Gambrell Coffey; parents, William Franklin and Leada White Coffey; sister, Linda Coffey.

He is survived by five stepchildren; two sister, Velva Dalton
of Thorn Hill, TN, Ina Atkins of
Rutledge; brothers Charlie Jeff
Coffey of Miamisburg, Ohio and
Jessie Willard Coffey of Dayton,
Ohio. Funeral service were held
at the Coffey Funeral Home in
Tazewell, TN, with Rev. Eugene
Dalton and Rev. Freddie Parker
officiating. Pallbearers were Coy
and Wayne Dalton, Elmer Owners,
Frankie Atkins, Hugh Atkins and
Alvin Whitt. Burial in Davidson
Cemetery in Thorn Hill, TN.

MERIT CEMETER IN TEXAS

Jo Langwell says; "I was waiting for someone to return for an appointment and I pulled into the Merit Cemetery. There was a nice big Sycamore tree to park under and a breeze blowing. Typical East Texas thing to do.

As I sat in the car I looked to my right at the stones and their names. Low and behold there was a Coffey. I got out and found not one but two with Coffey on them.

George W Martha A
Nov. 27, 1856 Feb. 10, 1865
Oct. 15, 1927 Aug. 18, 1944

Artie May, wife of O.A. Coffey Aug 31, 1864 April 27, 1902

Artie's birth may have been 1884 it was hard to make out. I did

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not have any of my cemetery stuff with me. You might put this in the newsletter to see if it helps anyone.

MURDER IN HANCOCK CO. TN

George Coffey, b 24 Feb 1847, m Martha Johnson, b 27 Apr 1846, d 4 June 1922 Grainger Co., Several members of George Coffey's family are buried in Coffey Cemetery on Indian Creek Rd near Thorn Hill. a.) James, Jim, Coffey, b 22 Dec 1871 TN, d 7 Nov 1907, m Emily Elrod, b 13 June 1878, d 29 Oct 1962, dau of John Elrod. Jim was ambushed while carrying the U.S. Mail in Hancock Co. TN. Sam, George, & Will Reed and their brother-in-law Thomas Green were charge with his murder. Two days earlier the father of the Reed boys died from being shot from the woods while working in a corn field. Isham Elrod, brother-inlaw of Jim Coffey was charged with the killing of Mr. Reed. Elrod skipped the country. Source: Morristown Gazette 11 March 1908.

Other George Coffey family graves. b.) John Henry Coffey, b 2/12 Aug 1874, d 10 Oct 1920 Texas, m Sarah Harvelle, b 11 Jan 1876 TN, d 12 July 1964 TX, sis of Clint Harvelle.

- c.) Susie M. Coffey, b 30 Nov 1892
 TN, d in TX, m Wesley L.Rains, b
 7 June 1893 TX, d 22 Apr 1948 TX.
 d). Samuel Coffey, b abt 1876, m
- d). Samuel Coffey, b abt 1876, m Lizzie Ogan, m Manda _____, b 15 Nov 1876, d 23 Nov 1903
- e). Hattie M. Coffey, b abt 1878 TN, m Amos Green
- (1) Bodie Green, 4 Jan 1911, d 6 Nov 1912
- e. Ples Coffey, m Polly Elrod, dau of John Elrod.

OLDER OBITS

NANCY COFFEE HARRIS
Nancy Harris, 58, passed away
Dec.23, 2004 in Dallas TX.
Nancy was born July 31, 1946 in
Fort Worth. She was a life-long
resident of Arlington, graduate

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of Arlington High School and attending Arlington State. Nancy was a Methodist.

Survivors: Husband, James "Ron" Harris of Arlington; sons, Matthew Harris of Fort Worth and David Harris of Arlington; daughter, Rebecca Harris of Weatherford; sister, Jan Coffee Skillman and husband, Charley of Williamsburg, VA.

Burial: Dallas, Fort Worth National Cemetery in Dallas.

JOHN L. KUHN

John L. Kuhn, 74 of Tyler died Dec. 11, 2004. He was born June 20, 1930 in Omaha, Nebraska to the late Loy and Rosella Coffee Kuhn. He graduated with a master degree from SMU in 1955 and married the former Rosalie Gunn. They resided in Dallas until her death in 1989. John's profession spanned 35 years starting as a music teacher and evolved into a businessman with interest in music stores and home building. He married the former Mary Albert McDonald and they moved to Tyler in 1996. He is survived by his wife Mary Kuhn, two sons - Doug and wife Sonya of Granbury; David and wife Marie of DeSoto.

Burial: Hillcrest Cemetery, Dallas

OZARK COUNTY MO. WILL

Bennie Loftin sent the following probate court record.

A. J. COFFEY
Probate Court, Ozark Co. MO,
Book E, page 31 and 32
29 Dec 1903, no administrator
29 Dec 1904, list heirs
Nancy Coffey, widow of A.J. Coffey
Effie Coffey, born May 4, 2888
Mallisie, born Dec. 18, 1889
Albert Coffey, born Jan. 22, 1892

May O. Coffey, born Mar. 22, 1895

CORRECTIONS

Reams Goodloe sends a correction for issue #99. page 13, Balton should be Bolton. see #72 pp.5,9 & #84 p.3

GRAINGER CO. TENN. CEMETERIES - GPS

Jack Coffee has provided the GPS co-ordinates for all the cemeteries in Grainger Co. Tenn. I suggest that if you have a cemetery book for this county, that you add these latitude and longitude numbers in to the book. Roads and their names change with time. Most newer cars now come with GPS built into the dash or as optional removable equipment. This is the way we will find things in the future so we need to keep this information for our future generations. My DAR has all the Cole Co. MO cemeteried listed with their GPS coordinates.

Cemetery Name	Map Location	Latitude Longitude
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Grove Cemetery	Avondale	361558N 0832720W
Helton Cemetery	Avondale	361728N 0832357W
Helton Springs Cemet	Avondale	361720N 0832858W
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Cobb Cemetery	Bean Station	361908N 0832151W
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COMPUTER NEWS

Reams Goodloe <goodloev@bellsouth.net> sends the following good news about the index. The index through # 99 is now available on CD-R for \$20.

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Subj: Hurricane Katrina

Date: Monday, September 5,

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From: bluemoonrotts@yahoo.com

(cousin, Sheri Kelly)

Hello, Folks!

It's hard to keep a country girl down. I am ok. We had damages and/or destruction of all outbuildings but our home was untouched. Trees downed everywhere, we will need no firewood for years. Thank you for all your thoughts and prayers for our safety.

I know all see what's going on by watching the television. What I can say is that what you, the general, national public see, is NOTHING compared to what we locals see on our tv. We have one local station which is broadcasting live 24/7. Regarding New Orleans and surrounding areas we see where locals have filmed or taken videos that the national public does not see. So keep in mind what you see is only 1/100 of the horror which truely exists just 40 miles from here.

In my local area the electricity is spotty, my work place has power, two of the groceries have power as well as other places. There are ARMED men stationed inside and outside of the groceries. One has to stand in line to go inside and only x number of individuals are let in at any one time. No stop lights, all have become 4 way stops. Trees, power poles, thousands of power lines, all down. is in my area. We had sustained winds of over 85 miles an hour for almost 9 hours with gusts to over 120 mph. Some of the crown molding in my home has shifted showing how much the house moved.

On a personal note, we do not have power at home and will not have for weeks I've been told. To

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get gas you get in line and wait, sometimes over an hour, to get a \$20 limit of gas. I have heard that gas will be more plenitiful by Tuesday here. At home to get water we drag the generator to the well pump and fill everything up we can, tubs, buckets, barrels, then drag it back to the house to run 2-3 times a day. We power up the ref and freezer. Dan's insulin has to stay chilled and naturally, until yesterday, there was no ice to be found. We live 17 miles from Hammond so are more isolated than some.

The heat isn't so bad as long as you don't move around too much. The nights are terrible. I've slept in the back of our Yukon for 6 nights and have plenty of insect bites to prove it. I also have found I can wash my hair using one cup of water to wet it and four cups to rinse it. Use less shampoo and of course, cold water rinses soap out better. Bird baths are the way to go.

We have filled the camper up with water and when I am ready we hook the generator to it and I get hot water showers. Now, if anyone there has taken a shower in a small camper you know there is no room and certainly no long showers. I am just grateful I have a chance to take a shower every other day. For food we are eating what thaws out next. I am so sick of grilled food but yet I watch TV and I see old people and children who have not eaten for 7 days and I have absolutely NO reason to fuss. I am grateful for all I have got now. This has been a morally humbling time for me, a life changing event.

This part of the state is going to be impacted for years to come. Our nation's economy will suffer because of these two disasters. Katrina was one and New Orleans survived it. The levee break was the second one and New Orleans became doomed because of that.

Here in Loranger and Hammond we are only affected by Katrina.

On a lighter note, I sit outside in the evening, waiting for dark. We have two "hurricane" lamps with oil and several candles. When it gets dark, we go to bed. When it gets light I get up. I use a latrine (translate, blue tarp over fence, sit on a bucket), I pull water from a 55 gallon barrel, I heat up the grill. Then I think of how my ancestors lived 150-200 years ago. They had the lamps and oil, candles. They had a latrine somewhere. They had a stove or campfire. My luxury is I have paper plates and plastic dinnerware, paper napkins whereas they didn't. I also now have washed our clothes out by hand, rinsed them and hung them to dry. I remember living much like this when I was a young girl. My grandparents didn't have an inside toilet and my gm cooked on an old iron cook-stove, used wood. We did have a washer that you cranked the side of it to make it agitate and then ran every piece of clothing through the wringers. We had running cold water until I was about 10, then got a water heater, then when I was 12 we moved to the city! Luxury galore! So, this experience isn't all that new to me. I have found I do like my "necessities" of life and miss them, but overall, I feel God has been good to me and my husband during all these recent events.

I will be checking email every day while at work. Thank goodness I do have a place to work. It makes my life surreal, coming from home where nothing is electric to work, where we have an inside bathroom, airconditioner, telephones!

Sheri Kelly in Louisiana

Hello again, (Sept. 6, 2005)

I actually am ok with everything in my personal life. Seeing what all is wrong with the rest of the area is tragic. We have people stopping in and calling, asking if we know how to get information on missing people. We are a retail furniture store 40 miles away. That shows how desperate people are. The customers we are having are all displaced. They are tired and most appear to have donated clothes on. Without exception all have purchased mattresses along with other furniture.

I have found that I can't endure the heat like I once could. I try to pick up debris each trip on my way to feed the horses or chickens, make every effort to do something constructive each step I make. There are people who have never had air conditioning. How spoiled I have become. I think I could handle the heat if we had electricity for fans.

Today gas is being rationed to \$40 per vehicle. It was \$20 two days ago so that tells me there is an increase in available gas for here.

Slowly stores and businesses are opening here in Hammond. I have heard there is about 40,000 new people here, all evacuatees/suvivors. One sees them just walking up and down the main road here. They have nothing except what FEMA or Red Cross, or a local charity has given them. How fortunate I am.

Still today, armed men in dark uniforms are outside our grocery stores and gas stations. I am appalled that

September our own society has been so dehumanized as to rob, beat, rape, these people, and the worst part is, it is their own people. No one from Hammond or surrounding areas went to New Orleans and started shooting at rescue workers or cornering women in the Superdome and raping them. It is their own doing that. Because of the gangs and violence roaming around we all are having to be more cautious, careful, and have armed men watching. I know much of the violence has to do with the emotional and psychlogical aspect of the ones who have found themselves in dispair but it is being fueled by only a few and has changed a 1,000,000 peoples way of life.

I appreciate everyone's concern for me and my family and all the prayers have worked. Dan is not feeling well but is maintaining as best he can, being his normal grumpy self. Me, nothing a long and hot shower with gobs of shampoo wouldn't fix. Like I told the others, I cannot complain about the trivial things in life anymore. By all standards we are wealthy now. We have a home, car, clothes, and I have a job. The poor people wandering around have a shelter somewhere, a Red Cross bag of toiletries, donated clothing.

I know there has been much ado about FEMA and the Red Cross. Let's point fingers AFTER the dust settles. These people left here and those shipped all over the country are without anything familiar. If they couldn't carry it in their pockets or a satchel, whatever they had, it's gone forever. Those are the people we need to help. Neither FEMA or the

Red Cross was prepared for this event, no organization would ever be prepared. We just need to help the best we can and where we can. I would suggest if anyone is considering donations, please check and see what local charity or church is trying to help these people and donate there. Let the money or clothing or food or diapers or tablet with pens and envelopes, stamps, whatever be sent where it needs to be sent. There will always be those who will rip off the system but if someone sees a need they can fulfill where they are, then do it.

If I could do without a job I would already be somewhere helping where I could. I have volunteered almost every Thanksgiving and Christmas to deliver donated food to locals and have badgered my boss for donations when I feel it's a worthy cause. It is in my nature (being the Southern girl that I am) to try to help everyone all the time.

OK, off my soap box for now. Thanks again for your concern. I most likely won't receive this issue of the CCC unless it's mailed first class so if you will, wait until I request it before mailing it. Our postal system most likely will not be working for weeks, months.

> Sheri in Louisiana! (cousin Sheri Kelly)

(This is tomorrows history being made today. Sheri's story will be part of the history of this disaster forever. Bonnie)

COFFEY COUSINS CONVENTION April 27 - 30, 2006

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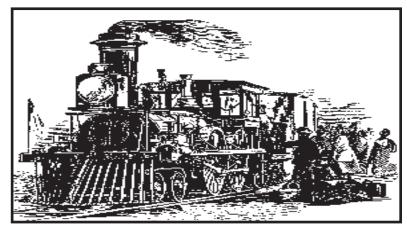
A dinner train trip is planned for Friday night, April 28, through a very scenic area. It includes a 5 course dinner for \$35 a person. Menu is prime rib, fish or fowl.

PROBLEM

This train only holds 35 and they will NOT hold seats for us. The first 35 who register (Coffeys or not) get the seats. If you even think you might attend, send Jack your \$35 for each dinner reservation NOW. See tear off below. When it's full - it's full!!

BANQUET & BUSINESS MEETING Saturday, April 29th.

Prices and menu for the banquet have not been finalized yet. Watch for them in the December issue of CCC.



tear off & mail:

I am paying for _____ reservations on the dinner train @ \$35. each. Total_____ Be sure to include your return address and phone number. Please send_list of names and choice of prime rib, fish or fowl_along with check to: Jack Coffee 110 Lydia Road

St. Joseph, LA, 71366

For questions e-mail: jkcoffee@yahoo.com or phone: 1-318-766-8247

BLOG - GENEALOGY EXCHANGE

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