

Parma, Idaho
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Dear Bonnie,

Recently I called you on the telephone to ask if you knew of a Dr. Frank Coffey who practiced medicine in Albuquerque NM during the 1960's and 1970's. He was the head orthopedic surgeon at the Loveless Clinic in Albuquerque. My brother, Gary Bledsoe had been injured in an underground mine accident near Grants, NM and Dr Coffey treated his injury for three weeks before finally having to amputate his leg. Dr. Coffey was very well respected in his field and gave my brother excellent care. Dr. Coffey's father had been a blacksmith (my brother thinks in Tennessee) and Dr. Coffey had a display of his father's blacksmith tools in his office. Dr. Coffey did his internship in Houston TX. We are interested in knowing how Dr. Coffey fits into the Coffey Clan.

I am enclosing some charts to show how we fit into the clan. Martha Jane Coffey (#1 on the chart) was our great grandmother. She was married to Francis Marion Clark, and died after the birth of her eleventh child at the age of forty one. She was a diabetic and had been blind for 15 years. Two of her brothers were also diabetic and blind.

About 15 years ago I went to Lewiston ID to visit my Aunt Agnes who was Martha (Coffey) Clark's eleventh child. She was quite elderly at the time but we had a wonderful visit. She told me that her Dad always said "You are just more Green Coffey". She didn't really know what that meant, nor did I. After tracing the family history, it is plain to understand. By the charts you can see that we go back to Reuben Coffey and Sarah Sally Scott three ways. We also go back to Richard Green and Elender Sullivan two times. That's a pretty strong cup of Coffee/ Coffey and a thick coat of Green. Also heavy on the Scott and Sullivan families. Maybe that had something to do with Martha Jane's and her brothers illnesses. Martha Jane's grandfather, William C. Coffey (#4 on the chart) was the William Coffey that was murdered during the Civil War by Keith Blaylock's men. According to historical accounts William was plowing in his field when abducted by Keith Blaylock and his men and taken to James Gragg's (another ancestor--#14 on the chart) property and shot to death.

I am also enclosing my ancestor chart. Who knows, we may have other common lines. All of my grandparents came west about 1900—My dad's family from SW Virginia—My mom's mom's from east Tennessee—My mom's dad's from western North Carolina. Most of my ancestors had lived in that tri-state area for many years. It was nice to touch bases with you and I hope somebody out there has information to share on Dr. Frank Coffey.

Sincerely,



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Family Group Record

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Husband Louis Peter Vande Voorde <i>My husband</i>				
Born	13 Jan 1933	Place	Pipestone, Pipestone Co., Mn	LDS ordinance dates
Christened		Place		Baptized
Died		Place		Endowed
Buried		Place		Sealed to parents
Married	7 Mar 1957	Place	Weiser, Washington Co., Id	Sealed to spouse
Husband's father				
Husband's mother				

Wife Carol Ann Bledsoe <i>Me</i>				
Born	26 Nov 1936	Place	Weiser, Washington Co., Id	LDS ordinance dates
Christened		Place		Baptized
Died		Place		Endowed
Buried		Place		Sealed to parents
Wife's father Ira Thomas Bledsoe				
Wife's mother Mabel Mary Clark				

Children List each child in order of birth.	LDS ordinance dates	Temple
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1	F	Mary Kathryn Vande Voorde		
Born	8 Dec 1953	Place	Weiser, Washington Co., Id	Baptized
Christened		Place		Endowed
Died		Place		Sealed to parents
Buried		Place		
Spouse Hardy Chris Carnes				
Married	23 Mar 1974 (Div)	Place	Vancouver, Clark Co., Wa	Sealed to spouse

2	F	Lila Christine Vande Voorde		
Born	8 Dec 1957	Place	Weiser, Washington Co., Id	Baptized
Christened		Place		Endowed
Died		Place		Sealed to parents
Buried		Place		
Spouse Michael Guy Gattuccio				
Married	8 Sep 1984	Place	Hillsboro(near), Washington Co., or, Old Scotch Ch.	Sealed to spouse

3	M	Edwin Louis Vande Voorde		
Born	3 Dec 1960	Place	Weiser, Washington Co., Id	Baptized
Christened		Place		Endowed
Died		Place		Sealed to parents
Buried		Place		
Spouse				
Married		Place		Sealed to spouse

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Husband Ira Thomas Bledsoe <i>My father</i>				
Born	26 Aug 1907	Place	Nyssa, Malheur Co., or	LDS ordinance dates
Christened		Place		Baptized
Died	15 Jun 1984	Place	Portland, Multnomah Co., or, Age 76	Endowed
Buried		Place		Sealed to parents
Married	7 Mar 1932	Place	Vale, Malheur Co., or	Sealed to spouse
Husband's father Hayes Hayden Bledsoe				
Husband's mother Martha Florence Page				

Wife Mabel Mary Clark <i>My mother</i>				
Born	25 Mar 1914	Place	Midvale, Washington Co., Id	LDS ordinance dates
Christened		Place		Baptized
Died	18 Dec 1983	Place	Vancouver, Clark Co., Wa, Age 69	Endowed
Buried		Place		Sealed to parents
Wife's father Harry Austin Clark				
Wife's mother Mary Jane Cable				

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1 M Gary Lee Bledsoe		
Born	2 Mar 1933	Place Weiser, Washington Co., Id
Christened		Place
Died		Place
Buried		Place
Spouse Eloyce Marilyn Ferris		
Married	26 May 1951	Place Winnemucca, Humboldt Co., Nv

2 M Jimmie Ray "Jim" Bledsoe		
Born	13 Jul 1935	Place Weiser, Washington Co., Id
Christened		Place
Died		Place
Buried		Place
Spouse Dortha Jean "Jeanny" Hand		
Married	18 Jan 1957	Place Council, Adams Co., Id

3 F Carol Ann Bledsoe <i>Me</i>		
Born	26 Nov 1936	Place Weiser, Washington Co., Id
Christened		Place
Died		Place
Buried		Place
Spouse Louis Peter Vande Voorde		
Married	7 Mar 1957	Place Weiser, Washington Co., Id

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Husband Harry Austin Clark <i>My grandfather</i>				
Born	10 May 1884	Place	Montezuma, Mitchell Co., Nc	LDS ordinance dates
Christened		Place		Baptized
Died	10 May 1931	Place	Weiser, Washington Co., Id, Age 47-Tick bite	Endowed
Buried		Place	Midvale, Washington Co., Id, Eastside Cem.	Sealed to parents
Married	6 Jan 1906	Place	Colfax, Whitman Co., Wa	Sealed to spouse
Husband's father Francis Marion "Marion" Clark				
Husband's mother Martha Jane Coffey				

Wife Mary Jane Cable <i>My grandmother</i>				
Born	9 Nov 1880	Place	Elk Mills, Carter Co., Tn	LDS ordinance dates
Christened		Place		Baptized
Died	12 Oct 1954	Place	Weiser, Washington Co., Id, Age 74	Endowed
Buried		Place	Midvale, Washington Co., Id, Eastside Cem.	Sealed to parents
Wife's father Richard Cable				
Wife's mother Malinda E. Whitehead				

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1 M Russel Burnett "Burnett" Clark	LDS ordinance dates	Temple		
Born	29 Sep 1906	Place	Chambers, Whitman Co., Wa	Baptized
Christened		Place		Endowed
Died	9 Dec 1922	Place	Weiser, Washington Co., Id, Age 16	Sealed to parents
Buried		Place	Midvale, Washington Co., Id, Eastside Cem.	
Spouse				
Married		Place		Sealed to spouse

2 M Cecil Raymond Clark	LDS ordinance dates	Temple		
Born	29 May 1908	Place	Midvale(rural), Washington Co., Id	Baptized
Christened		Place		Endowed
Died	18 Dec 1983	Place	Age 75	Sealed to parents
Buried		Place	Weiser, Washington Co., Id	
Spouse Rose Eriksen				
Married	19 Aug 1929	Place	Clarkston, Asotin Co., Wa	Sealed to spouse

3 F Mabel Mary Clark <i>My mother</i>	LDS ordinance dates	Temple		
Born	25 Mar 1914	Place	Midvale, Washington Co., Id	Baptized
Christened		Place		Endowed
Died	18 Dec 1983	Place	Vancouver, Clark Co., Wa, Age 69	Sealed to parents
Buried		Place		
Spouse Ira Thomas Bledsoe				
Married	7 Mar 1932	Place	Vale, Malheur Co., or	Sealed to spouse

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Husband Francis Marion "Marion" Clark <i>My great grandfather</i>				
Born	5 Apr 1854	Place	Watauga Co., Nc	LDS ordinance dates
Christened		Place		Baptized
Died	17 Jun 1942	Place	Elberton, Whitman Co., Wa, Age 88	Endowed
Buried		Place	Lacrosse, Whitman Co., Wa, Lacrosse Cem.	Sealed to parents
Married	2 Jan 1875	Place	Lenoir, Caldwell Co., Nc	Sealed to spouse
Husband's father John W. Clark				
Husband's mother Nancy B. Williams				

Wife Martha Jane Coffey <i>My great grandmother</i>				
Born	5 May 1859	Place	Caldwell Co., Nc	LDS ordinance dates
Christened		Place		Baptized
Died	11 Apr 1900	Place	Mitchell Co., Nc, Age 41	Endowed
Buried		Place	Linville Twmsp., Mitchell Co., Nc, Taylor Cem.	Sealed to parents
Wife's father Silas C. Coffey				
Wife's mother Elender "Ely" Green				

Children	List each child in order of birth.	LDS ordinance dates	Temple
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1 M	William Henry "Will" Clark				
Born	21 Nov 1875	Place	Boone, Watauga, Nc	Baptized	
Christened		Place		Endowed	
Died	11 Jun 1946	Place	Chewelah, Stevens Co., Wa, Age 70	Sealed to parents	
Buried	14 Jun 1946	Place	Garfield, Whitman Co., Wa, Garfield Cem.		
Spouse Bertha Alberta F. Barnard					
Married	31 Jul 1905	Place	Wallace, Shoshone Co., Id	Sealed to spouse	

2 M	Francis Newton "Newt" Clark				
Born	22 Aug 1877	Place	Watauga Co., Nc	Baptized	
Christened		Place		Endowed	
Died	30 May 1946	Place	Pendleton, Umatilla Co., or, Age 88	Sealed to parents	
Buried		Place	Hermiston, Umatilla Co., or		
Spouse Unknown Reed					
Married		Place		Sealed to spouse	

3 F	Elzora Lela Clark				
Born	25 Nov 1879	Place	Newland, Avery Co., Nc	Baptized	
Christened		Place		Endowed	
Died	22 Oct 1968	Place	Longview, Cowlitz Co., Wa, Age 88	Sealed to parents	
Buried	24 Oct 1968	Place	Kelso, Cowlitz Co., Wa		
Spouse William A. Gragg					
Married		Place		Sealed to spouse	

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Husband Francis Marion "Marion" Clark				
Wife Martha Jane Coffey				
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4	M Kenneth Clark			
	Born	28 May 1882	Place Montezuma, Mitchell Co., Nc	Baptized
	Christened		Place	Endowed
	Died	5 May 1971	Place Longview, Cowlitz Co., Wa, Age 89	Sealed to parents
	Buried	7 May 1971	Place Kelso, Cowlitz Co., Wa, Cowlitz View Cem	
	Spouse	Annie Mae Doke		
	Married	23 Dec 1908	Place Yreka, Siskiyou Co., Ca	Sealed to spouse
5	M Harry Austin Clark <i>My grandfather</i>			
	Born	10 May 1884	Place Montezuma, Mitchell Co., Nc	Baptized
	Christened		Place	Endowed
	Died	10 May 1931	Place Weiser, Washington Co., Id, Age 47-Tick bite	Sealed to parents
	Buried		Place Midvale, Washington Co., Id, Eastside Cem.	
	Spouse	Mary Jane Cable		
	Married	6 Jan 1906	Place Colfax, Whitman Co., Wa	Sealed to spouse
6	M David Clinton "Clint" Clark			
	Born	20 Jul 1886	Place , Mitchell Co., Nc	Baptized
	Christened		Place	Endowed
	Died	8 Jul 1971	Place St. John, Whitman Co., Wa, Age 86	Sealed to parents
	Buried	12 Jul 1971	Place St. John, Whitman Co., Wa, St. John Cem.	
	Spouse	Bernice Neighbors		
	Married		Place	Sealed to spouse
7	M Roby Edward Clark			
	Born	23 Mar 1888	Place Montezuma, Mitchell Co., Nc	Baptized
	Christened		Place	Endowed
	Died	23 Jan 1961	Place Spokane, Spokane Co., Wa, Age 73	Sealed to parents
	Buried	26 Jan 1961	Place Colfax, Whitman Co., Wa	
	Spouse	Mabel Frances Dorman		
	Married	11 Nov 1920	Place	Sealed to spouse
8	M Luther Evans Clark			
	Born	27 May 1890	Place Montezuma?, Mitchell Co., Nc	Baptized
	Christened		Place	Endowed
	Died	13 May 1947	Place Walla Walla, Walla Walla Co., Wa, Age 57	Sealed to parents
	Buried	16 May 1947	Place Walla Walla, Walla Walla Co., Wa, Mt. View Cem.	
	Spouse	Violet V. MacKey		
	Married		Place	Sealed to spouse
9	M Millard Ray "Ray" Clark			
	Born	23 Mar 1892	Place Montezuma?, Mitchell Co., Nc	Baptized
	Christened		Place	Endowed
	Died	27 Feb 1986	Place Spokane, Spokane Co., Wa, Age 94	Sealed to parents
	Buried	3 Mar 1986	Place Spokane, Spokane Co., Wa	

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Husband Francis Marion "Marion" Clark			
Wife Martha Jane Coffey			
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9	M	Millard Ray "Ray" Clark	
	Spouse Nellie L. Shawgo		
	Married	Place	Sealed to spouse
10	F	Lula Essie Lovina Clark "Lula"	
	Born	Place	Baptized
	25 Jan 1895	Montezuma?, Mitchell Co., Nc	
	Christened	Place	Endowed
	Died	Place	Sealed to parents
	3 Dec 1995	Lewiston, Nez Perce Co., Id, Age 100	
	Buried	Place	
	Spouse Thomas Nathaniel McClure		
	Married	Place	Sealed to spouse
	Oct 1913	, , Wa	
11	F	Martha Agnes "Agnes" Clark	
	Born	Place	Baptized
	15 Feb 1900	Montezuma, Mitchell Co., Nc	
	Christened	Place	Endowed
	Died	Place	Sealed to parents
	10 Sep 1993	Lewiston, Nez Perce Co., Id, Age 93	
	Buried	Place	
	14 Sep 1993	Lewiston, Nez Perce Co., Id, Normal Hill Cem.	
	Spouse Claude Lister		
	Married	Place	Sealed to spouse
	1915 (Div)	Rockford, Spokane Co., Wa	

Family Group Record

Husband Silas C. Coffey <i>My great great grandfather</i>				
Born	1835	Place	Burke Co., Nc	LDS ordinance dates
Christened		Place		Baptized
Died	3 Jul 1893	Place	Caldwell Co., Nc, Age 58	Endowed
Buried		Place	Caldwell Co., Nc	Sealed to parents
Married		Place		Sealed to spouse
Husband's father William C. Coffey				
Husband's mother Sarah Green				

Wife Elender "Elly" Green <i>My great great grandmother</i>				
Born	Abt 1840	Place	Burke Co., Nc	LDS ordinance dates
Christened		Place		Baptized
Died	23 Jun 1909	Place	Caldwell Co., Nc	Endowed
Buried		Place		Sealed to parents
Wife's father Abel/Able Green				
Wife's mother Mary Polly Gragg				

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1 M William Pinkney "Pink" Coffey				
Born	20 Aug 1857	Place	Caldwell Co., Nc	Baptized
Christened		Place		Endowed
Died	13 Aug 1942	Place		Sealed to parents
Buried		Place		
Spouse Nancy Caroline Gragg				
Married	19 Oct 1883	Place	At Johnson Gragg, Caldwell Co., Nc	Sealed to spouse

2 F Martha Jane Coffey <i>My great grandmother</i>				
Born	5 May 1859	Place	Caldwell Co., Nc	Baptized
Christened		Place		Endowed
Died	11 Apr 1900	Place	Mitchell Co., Nc, Age 41	Sealed to parents
Buried		Place	Linville Twosp., Mitchell Co., Nc, Taylor Cem.	
Spouse Francis Marion "Marion" Clark				
Married	2 Jan 1875	Place	Lenoir, Caldwell Co., Nc	Sealed to spouse

3 M Francis R. "Richmond" Coffey				
Born	Abt 1864	Place		Baptized
Christened		Place		Endowed
Died		Place		Sealed to parents
Buried		Place		
Spouse Etta Hayes				
Married		Place		Sealed to spouse

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Husband Silas C. Coffey			
Wife Elender "Elly" Green			
Children List each child in order of birth.			LDS ordinance dates
			Temple
4	F	Mary E. "Emma" Coffey	
	Born	Abt 1866	Place
			Baptized
	Christened		Place
			Endowed
	Died		Place
			Sealed to parents
	Buried		Place
	Spouse	John Gragg	
	Married		Place
			Sealed to spouse
5	M	David Columbus "Lum" Coffey	
	Born	Abt 1868	Place
			Baptized
	Christened		Place
			Endowed
	Died		Place
			Sealed to parents
	Buried		Place
	Spouse	Julie Beard	
	Married		Place
			Sealed to spouse
6	M	Silas Coffey	
	Born	Abt 1870	Place
			Baptized
	Christened		Place
			Endowed
	Died		Place
			Sealed to parents
	Buried		Place
	Spouse		
	Married		Place
			Sealed to spouse
7	F	Rebecca S. Coffey	
	Born	Abt 1878	Place
			Baptized
	Christened		Place
			Endowed
	Died		Place
			Sealed to parents
	Buried		Place
	Spouse	Reuben D.K. Dellinger	
	Married	25 Jun 1893	Place
			Sealed to spouse

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Husband William C. Coffey My g-g-g-grandfather				
Born	1807/1808	Place	, Burke Co., Nc	LDS ordinance dates
Christened		Place		Baptized
Died	Aft 1860	Place	, Caldwell Co., Nc, Age 53	Endowed
Buried		Place	, Caldwell Co., Nc	Sealed to parents
Married		Place		Sealed to spouse
Husband's father Jesse Coffey				
Husband's mother Margaret "Nancy" Edmiston				

Wife Sarah Green My g-g-g-grandmother				
Born	1808	Place		LDS ordinance dates
Christened		Place		Baptized
Died		Place		Endowed
Buried		Place		Sealed to parents
Wife's father John "Moccasin" Green				
Wife's mother Elizabeth B. Coffey				

Children List each child in order of birth.	LDS ordinance dates	Temple
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1	M	Silas C. Coffey My g-g-g-grandfather		LDS ordinance dates	Temple
		Born	1835	Place	, Burke Co., Nc
		Christened		Place	
		Died	3 Jul 1893	Place	, Caldwell Co., Nc, Age 58
		Buried		Place	, Caldwell Co., Nc
		Spouse Elender "Elly" Green			
		Married		Place	
					Sealed to spouse

2	M	William C. Coffey Jr.		LDS ordinance dates	Temple
		Born	Abt 1838	Place	, Ashe Co., Nc
		Christened		Place	
		Died	Abt 1919	Place	
		Buried		Place	
		Spouse Mary Adeline Curtis			
		Married		Place	
					Sealed to spouse

3	M	George Washington Coffey		LDS ordinance dates	Temple
		Born	Abt 1841/1843	Place	, Ashe Co., Nc
		Christened		Place	
		Died	19 Nov 1912	Place	, Nc
		Buried		Place	
		Spouse Matilda A. Coffey			
		Married		Place	
					Sealed to spouse

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Husband William C. Coffey				
Wife Sarah Green				
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4	M	Jesse Patterson Coffey		
	Born	Abt 1845	Place , Caldwell Co., Nc	Baptized
	Christened		Place	Endowed
	Died	Abt 1924	Place , , Nc	Sealed to parents
	Buried		Place	
	Spouse	Matilda Curtis		
	Married		Place	Sealed to spouse
5	F	Eliza A. "Louisa" Coffey		
	Born	5 Jul 1848	Place , Caldwell Co., Nc	Baptized
	Christened		Place	Endowed
	Died	24 May 1924/1925	Place , , Nc	Sealed to parents
	Buried		Place	
	Spouse	Jesse M. Hartley		
	Married		Place	Sealed to spouse
6	M	John Coffey		
	Born	Abt 1851	Place	Baptized
	Christened		Place	Endowed
	Died		Place	Sealed to parents
	Buried		Place	
	Spouse			
	Married		Place	Sealed to spouse