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*What can those little shaking leaves tell us?*

## Jean Pierre Bondurant Tree now on



Over the years a great deal of misinformation has been generated about our immigrant ancestor Jean Pierre Bondurant and his family. BFA researchers have worked many hours in dusty courthouse vaults, cemeteries, and archives, both here in the U.S. and in Europe, to verify details of names, marriages, dates, and relationships of these families.

In an effort to make the documented knowledge available to all researchers, a special online tree with the ancestors and 10 generations of descendants (down to about 1900) of JPB has been compiled and uploaded to Ancestry’s family tree section. This tree does not contain details of living descendants, but can help you get further back once you find your family back to 1900. The link to the new BFA database online tree is <http://trees.ancestry.com/tree/68132303/>. A 14-day trial membership to Ancestry is free, or check with your local library to see if they have free access to the library version to Ancestry. A PDF file with four generations of Jean Pierre and Ann Tanner Bondurant’s descendants will be posted on the BFA website.

Our thanks go to all of the contributors to the BFA database, and to Mary Bondurant Warren, Ruby Talley Smith and Amy Warren Sanders for their dedication to keeping these records up-to-date, and for their hours of research that has built this database of over 12,000 people related to the Bondurant family.

## SAVE THE DATES!

*The 2014 BFA Reunion will be  
October 17-18, in Alexandria, Virginia.*

Details will be announced when they are finalized. There are numerous sites of interest nearby – Mount Vernon, Gadsby’s Tavern Museum in Old Town Alexandria, or ride the Metro into Washington, D.C., to explore that area. This fall also marks the 200<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the British occupation of Washington, during the War of 1812. See the Alexandria website at <http://www.visitalexandriava.com/> for more ideas.

The planning committee are Pres. Ed Bondurant, Jack and Gretchen Bondurant, and V.P. Marcelle Hoffman. If you have suggestions or plan to attend this year’s gathering, please let Marcelle know so she can get a head-count for meeting space and restaurants. Her email is [mkbhsubscribe@pacbell.net](mailto:mkbhsubscribe@pacbell.net).

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Joan Valerie Bondurant  
from Sketches of India

## ***Through the Transom into India: The Joan Valerie Bondurant Story***

by David W. Bondurant

*I was asked to write an article for the newsletter and website on her life since she was a cousin of my father, William G. Bondurant. More recently I presented a presentation on her life at the BFA Annual Meeting in Chandler in November 2013. Here is a summary of my presentation.*

Joan Valerie Bondurant was born Dec. 16, 1918, the daughter of Price and Minnie (McGee) Bondurant of Great Bend, KS. Price Bondurant was eldest son of James David Bondurant, my great grandfather, who lived in Downing and Kirksville, MO. James David was descended from Jean Pierre Bondurant through the John, Darby, David, David Garrett Bondurant line.



*The James David Bondurant family at his house in Kirksville, MO. Price and Minnie are on left end of second row. My grandfather, William Pearl Bondurant, is shown with my grandmother in the middle of the back row*

Price and Minnie moved to Great Bend, KS where they raised their family. In December 1941, Joan was attending the University of Michigan as a Political Science major when the attack on Pearl Harbor occurred. On graduation, she enrolled in a Crash Course in Japanese with a desire to become involved with the war effort. During the language course, Joan met Maureen Patterson, a sophomore who was also taking the course. The pair of women became sufficiently fluent in Japanese to do short translations. They contacted a former professor, Dr. Robert Hall (Colonel Hall) who was working in San Francisco for the Office of Special Services (OSS) Foreign Nationalities Branch. By 1942, Joan & Maureen were working for the OSS in Research & Analysis (R&A) in San Francisco performing analysis of Japanese photos and documents taken from Japanese immigrants who had been detained during the war.



Joan Bondurant and Maureen Patterson  
from Sketches of India

In January 1943, William Philips, former head of OSS London, was sent to New Delhi, India to negotiate a peaceful solution to the growing Indian conflict with Britain and to establish the first OSS office in India. The first permanent mission in India was established but the British resisted further expansion of our presence there. General Donovan, founder & head of the OSS, then met with Brig. Cawthorne, head of British military intelligence for the Indian army. General Donovan said, "If he didn't let OSS in the door, we would come in through the transom." Under this threat of covert action, Britain allowed establishment of the OSS office in New Delhi by August 1943, reporting to Lord Mountbatten, British commander in the area. By that time, Mohandas Gandhi and leaders of the Indian National Congress were launching the *Quit India* movement, calling for mass civil disobedience if Britain didn't leave.

In January 1944, the first R&A unit was established in New Delhi. In May 1944, Joan Bondurant & Maureen Patterson departed Port Seattle and arrived

in India to process Japanese materials captured in Burma. In December 1994, Joseph Coolidge, head of R&A India, received *sub rosa* orders to begin spying on the Indian political situation. Starting in January 1945, Bondurant & Patterson are told to meet as many important Indians as possible without raising British awareness.

The girls moved into a large bungalow with spacious living, dining, and bedrooms along with gardens and 7 servants that was much larger than normal OSS quarters. They began to host small social gatherings with a diverse class of Indians, attend dances at the Imperial Hotel, dinners at restaurants and elegant homes. They met maharajahs, journalists, government functionaries, left wing & non-Congress political leaders and emerging industrialists. They were invited to the Chelmsford Club, established for the Indian non-British elite. They also met with Muslim League leaders pushing to establish Pakistan.

The girls were also monitoring broadcasts from Japanese-occupied Singapore by Subhas Chandra Bose, an Indian Nationalist, and passing this information on to their Indian friends. Patterson was invited to attend the conference at Simla called by the British to consider transfer of power to the Indians. Patterson was introduced to Dr. B.C. Roy, Gandhi's personal physician, Nehru, and many other Indian leaders. The women were the only women in OSS granted audience with Gandhi after the war.

After the war, Joan Bondurant wrote *Sketches of India*, a first American look at the Indian Culture. She receives a Doctorate in Political Science at the University of California Berkeley in 1952 where she was Professor of International Studies. She wrote *Conquest of Violence: The Gandhian Philosophy of Conflict* in 1958, a widely read book on Gandhi politics. Later in life, she also taught at the University of the Pacific in Stockton, CA before retiring to Tucson, AZ.



*Mingling with Indian Society  
from Sketches of India*

**Note from David:** I would like to acknowledge the book *Sisterhood of Spies: The Women of the OSS* by Elizabeth P. McIntosh that I found in the bookstore of the International Spy Museum in Washington DC, which provided much of the detail on Joan Bondurant's activities in India. The pictures of Joan and Maureen shown here come from Joan Bondurant's book, *Sketches of India*. You should also consider reading Joan's book, *Conquest of Violence*.

## **Joan Bondurant – spy, authority on Gandhi**

by Chuck Squatriglia, published in the *San Francisco Chronicle*, Sept 6, 2006

online at <http://www.sfgate.com/bayarea/article/Joan-Bondurant-spy-authority-on-Gandhi-2551226.php>

Joan Valerie Bondurant was a spy during World War II, a musician with a knack for language who so thoroughly mastered Japanese that she translated and analyzed military intelligence for the Office of Strategic Services. So it is perhaps ironic that someone who contributed to the crushing military defeat of Japan not only became an authority on Mohandas Gandhi and his philosophy of nonviolence, but wrote a seminal text on the subject.

Professor Bondurant, who retired 33 years ago after a long career at UC Berkeley and University of the Pacific in Stockton, died Sept. 12 [2006] in a hospital in Tucson. She was 87 and had for several decades suffered from poor health. In retirement, Professor Bondurant remained an inquisitive scholar and was writing another book when she died. A talented pianist born in Great Bend, Kan., she studied music at the University of Michigan. But when the United States entered World War II shortly after she graduated, she was overwhelmed by the patriotism that swept the country and wanted to do her part, friends said.

Believing that those with an ear for music have an ear for language, she tried to enroll in a Japanese language course at the University of Michigan but was rejected because the program did not accept women. Undeterred, she sat outside the classroom day after day until she was admitted. She proved to be a skilled linguist -- she would learn Hindi years later -- and was recruited by the Office of Strategic Services, a precursor to the Central Intelligence Agency. She was stationed in San Francisco for one year, then dispatched to India.

There she translated and analyzed decrypted Japanese military messages and other documents. Friends were quick to note



that she was not a femme fatale in the vein of Mata Hari. "She wasn't planting bombs and killing people," said Paul Wallace, a political science professor at the University of Missouri and friend of Professor Bondurant since the 1950s. "She was working with documents."

Nevertheless, her photo appears in the gift shop of the International Spy Museum in Washington, and her story has been featured in the International Journal of Intelligence and Counterintelligence.

Professor Bondurant -- a woman so reserved friends said she could be called shy -- rarely discussed her work with the OSS. But her time in India charted the course she would follow for the rest of her life and so profoundly changed who she was that she would ultimately regret having lived there. In India, she met Gandhi and grew fascinated by *satyagraha*, the philosophy of nonviolent resistance. The word is taken from the Sanskrit *satya*, which means truth, and *agraha*, which describes an effort or endeavor.

Professor Bondurant became convinced of its effectiveness when its disciples quelled a violent riot between Muslims and Sikhs. "That was the life-changing event for her," said Ernest Goldsmith, a San Francisco Superior Court judge who studied political science under Professor Bondurant at Berkeley and kept in touch with her over the years. "She saw people being killed outside her window, and to see people use what they described as moral force to affect a political outcome was very powerful."

She became enamored of India and returned often, eventually being "adopted" by a family, said Edna Cardish, Professor Bondurant's friend and caretaker for 19 years. "She loved India," Cardish said. "She felt she was as much Indian as American."

She returned to America in 1948 and enrolled at UC Berkeley, where she earned a doctorate in political science in 1952. She would remain teaching at Cal until 1970, when she accepted a position at University of the Pacific. UC published Professor Bondurant's most famous book, *Conquest of Violence: The Gandhian Philosophy of Conflict*, in 1958. The book, which remains in print, was the first to explain Gandhi's philosophy and tactics to a Western audience. It is widely considered second only to Gandhi's autobiography as the most authoritative text on the subject.

Professor Bondurant went on to write several articles and books, including *Sketches of India*, a memoir published last year. When she died, she was writing a book about nonviolent tactics in Burma's independence movement. Although she loved India, her time there exacted a heavy price. She contracted an infection that destroyed her pancreas and spleen. A strong young woman with a taste for adventure was left chronically weak and occasionally in pain, a condition that would endure for the rest of her life. Yet she rarely complained -- until she was admitted to the hospital for the last time. "She said she was sorry that she ever went to India," Cardish said. "It was because her life had changed so much. She suffered 50 years of sickness because of it."

Professor Bondurant left no immediate relatives.

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## Welcome New Members

We would like to welcome Jim R. Bondurant and Sandra Kay Bondurant Dike to BFA. The information from their lineage sheets has been added to the BFA database.

**Sandra Kay Bondurant Dike** is the daughter of John Marley Bondurant and Margaret Green Bondurant. She married 1<sup>st</sup> Carl Daniel Graves and had two children: Carl and Hazel Graves; she married 2<sup>nd</sup> Harry Preston Dike and has two children, Ernest and Elizabeth Dike. She descends from Jean Pierre Bondurant through Dr. Joseph Bondurant.

**Jim R. Bondurant** is the son of Oscar Joe Bondurant and Cletta M. Pasley Bondurant of Springer, OK. He and wife Deborah Lynn Butler Bondurant have two children, Jason Ray Bondurant and Jennifer Sue Bondurant.

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## *In Memoriam*

### *Saying Farewell to Our Cousins and BFA Members*

#### **Judge James Elliott (Jim) Bondurant (1929-2013)**



James Elliott "Jim" Bondurant, 84, of Union City, Tenn., formerly of Hodgenville, passed away Thursday, Dec. 26, 2013, at Union City Baptist Memorial Hospital. He was born Oct. 19, 1929, to James Willie and Zula Powell Bondurant. He grew up in Brandenburg and graduated from Meade County High School in 1948. From childhood on, Jim was a hard worker and held many jobs during his early years in Meade County, including milking cows at a dairy before and after school every day, working on a barge on the Ohio River and helping hang wallpaper. His favorite job was driving his granddaddy, James Henry Bondurant, around the area beginning at about age 13.

In 1952, he married Katherine "Kaye" Keyes of Lexington and they started a family with the births of their two children, Jane Elizabeth and James Bourbon Bondurant.

Bondurant worked in the banking field then began a full-time practice of law in Hodgenville in 1962. He was elected as state representative in 1963 and during his second term worked diligently to pass the Kentucky Civil Rights Act which gave every Kentuckian the right to attend school, eat at restaurants, stay in motels and enjoy other civil rights regardless of their color, creed, race or religion.

In 1964, he and others chartered a new bank in Elizabethtown, originally called Citizens Bank of Elizabethtown which now is First Citizens Bank. He was on the bank's board of directors for 45 years, serving as chairman of the board for many of those years. He served on LaRue County Fair Board, was attorney for LaRue County Board of Education and was active in Hodgenville United Methodist Church and the Democratic Party. He also served on the board of directors of Methodist Evangelical Hospital then after its merger, on the board of Norton Hospital, where he chaired the ethics committee.

In 1985, he was elected District Judge for Hart and LaRue counties and continued in this position until his retirement. In January 2000, the Chief Justice of the Kentucky Supreme Court appointed him as the first senior judge in Kentucky. As senior judge, he held court throughout the state and served on various courts including district courts, circuit courts, probate courts and the Kentucky Court of Appeals.

One of his most rewarding positions was as chairman of the board of trustees for Lindsey Wilson College in Columbia, where he contributed greatly to its operations and expansion. He joined its board in 1979 and held many positions until his recent illness. The college awarded Bondurant an honorary doctorate degree for his services as well as a distinguished service award.

Upon retirement, he and Kaye moved to Union City, Tenn., where he enjoyed spending time with his children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents; a sister, Peggy Penas; and a brother, Joe Bondurant. He is survived by his wife, Kaye Bondurant; a daughter, Jane Bondurant; a son, Jim Bondurant and his wife, Mary Nita; a grandson, Dylan Bondurant and his wife, Courtney; a granddaughter, Katie Creech and her husband, Jeremy; four great-grandchildren, Rylan Ali and Bo Bondurant and Charlie and Hattie Grace Creech; and three sisters, Alice Scott, Mary Jones and Eleanor Newman.

The funeral was held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 28, in the upper courtroom of the LaRue County Courthouse with the Rev. Rachel Marshall officiating. Burial followed in Red Hill Cemetery.

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#### **John Furniss Bondurant (1913-2013)**

Mr. John Furniss Bondurant, age 100, passed away on Saturday, December 21, 2013 at Mississippi Baptist Medical Center in Jackson after a short illness.



John Furniss Bondurant was born in Selma, Alabama, on September 15, 1913. He was the second born child of "surprise" twins born to Sidney Morgan Bondurant and his wife Sadie Kendrick Bondurant. His father was not prepared for a name for two sons so when he was asked for a name he named him for the doctor who delivered him, Dr. John Furniss. His childhood was spent in Marion Junction, Alabama, and later he went to live with relatives in Marion, Alabama, after the death of his mother from influenza. After finishing high school in Marion, where he played on the state championship basketball team, and was President of the Senior class, he went on to Alabama Polytechnic Institute (known today as Auburn University) where he worked a night shift in a factory and went to class during the day. He received a Bachelor of Science degree in business there in 1935 and went to work initially for the Firestone Tire Company and then later for GMAC.

His territory for GMAC included several counties in Mississippi and required a significant amount of travel. While staying at the Southern Hotel in Forest, Mississippi, he met Miss Iva Dee Wiggins of Philadelphia, Mississippi. As World War II raged in Europe he felt that it was only a matter of time before America would become involved and he enlisted in the Vicksburg unit of the Mississippi National Guard as a private. The Guard was soon called up for a year of "active duty for training" and he knew he could not support a wife on the pay of a private. However, in a few months he was promoted to 2nd Lieutenant and with the increase in pay he proposed to Iva Dee Wiggins and they were soon married. The National Guard training was scheduled to end in late December of 1941 but the events of December 7, 1941, changed that.

After more military training he deployed to the South Pacific where he served on several islands as an infantry officer. He received the Combat Infantryman's Badge and the Bronze Star "for meritorious service in combat against enemy forces." He was injured during the fighting on the Philippine island of Mindanao and was returned to the United States on a hospital ship just a few weeks before the Japanese surrender.

He was released from active duty in 1945 and went to work with the Lee Corporation of Forest, Mississippi, as the manager of the Chevrolet dealership in Morton, Mississippi, where he and his family lived. In 1956 he moved to Forest where he founded Automotive Wholesale Company. He was engaged in the wholesale auto parts business and was active in civic affairs and in the Forest United Methodist Church. He served the church for many years as the chairman of the Finance Committee and after his retirement from business he continued to work in the church office, organize trips for senior citizens, and stay involved in community affairs. His work in the community was recognized by the Forest Chamber of Commerce when he and Iva Dee were named "Citizens of the Year."

Because of declining health and a desire to be closer to family members he moved to Ridgeland, Mississippi, in 2013. It is reflective of his life that among his last words on his last day in this life he was thanking Jesus for his many blessings in life. He is survived and deeply missed by his wife of seventy-two years, Iva Dee Bondurant; two sons, Dr. Sidney Bondurant of Madison, Mississippi, and Si Morgan Bondurant of Jackson, Mississippi; grandchildren, Morgan F. Bondurant, John Thomas Bondurant, Alexander Lee Bondurant and Leigh Lorraine Nalty Bondurant; one great-granddaughter, Ava Catherine; one great-grandson, Sidney Morgan; one nephew and seven nieces. He is also survived and missed by his beloved sisters-in-law, Doris Mowrey of Forest and Mary Ann Rector of Morton. His twin brother died in infancy and two other brothers and one sister predeceased him.

The funeral service was held Monday, December 23, 2013 at 11 am Forest United Methodist Church, with interment in the Eastern Cemetery, Forest, MS. From the obituaries on the [www.ottleefuneralhome.com](http://www.ottleefuneralhome.com) website.

### Clinton Perle (Clint) Bondurant Jr. (1953-2014)



SSgt. Clinton Bondurant, Jr., 61, of Senoia, Georgia passed away Thursday, February 6, 2014 at Piedmont Fayette Hospital. He was born January 11, 1953 in Los Angeles, California the son of the late Mr. Clinton Bondurant, Sr. and the late Mrs. Sally Frances Kipp Bondurant. He married Charolette Elaine Otwell on June 4, 1977 in Douglasville. He was a Retired Veteran, earning the rank of Staff Sergeant, with the United States Army. He served our country during Desert Storm and retired with 20 years of military service. He was a member of New Hope Baptist Church, South Campus. He was a coin collector and loved history of all kinds, but especially military history. He was actively involved in the Bondurant Family Association, a family genealogy group.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by a brother, Michael Bondurant. He is survived by his wife of 36 years, Charolette Elaine Otwell Bondurant of Senoia; three sons and a daughter-in-law, Kyle Bondurant of Orlando, FL, Jeremy Bondurant of Senoia, and Troy and Julie Bondurant of Newnan; four sisters and brothers-in-law, Betty Bondurant, Gayle and Ken Mock, and Jane Bondurant all of Crawfordville, FL and Alice and Louie Kelley of Locust Grove; three grandchildren, Abby, Eli, and Daphne; several nieces and nephews.

A Memorial Service was conducted Sunday, February 9, 2014 at 3:00 PM at the Chapel of Jones-Wynn Funeral Home in Douglasville with LTC (RET) Charles Raines, Rev. Don Otwell, and Rev. Rodney Otwell officiating, followed by inurnment at Beulah Baptist Church Cemetery with Full Military Honors provided by the United States Army Honor Guard. In lieu of flowers, Memorial Contributions in memory of Mr. Bondurant may be made to the Wounded Warriors Project, PO Box 758517, Topeka, Kansas 66675. Messages of condolence may be sent to the family at [www.jones-wynn.com](http://www.jones-wynn.com). Jones-Wynn Funeral Home and Crematory of Douglasville is in charge of arrangements.



## Mabel Claire Bondurant Culpepper (1936-2013)



Mabel Claire Culpepper went home to be with the Lord October 24, 2013. She was the daughter of John Raymond Bondurant and Mabel Hardy Bondurant and was born in St. Louis, MO on June 20, 1936. She grew up in Columbia, Missouri, surrounded by farmland, Missouri University and two women's colleges. Her youthful interests included horseback riding, Girl Scouts, and deep love of her church and of drawing and painting. Later she earned an Associate of Arts Degree from Christian College and a BS in Elementary Education from Missouri University where she was a member of Delta Gamma and Mortar Board.

She met her future husband, Jim Culpepper at the First Baptist Church and they were married there on Christmas Eve, 1957. The couple spent three years stationed in Germany with the U.S. Army and enjoyed many trips and international exchanges. 1961 found Mabel and Jim in Columbia in graduate school where she earned a M Ed. in Art Education. Jim also earned a Masters Degree in Business and Public Administration. They made moves to St. Louis, Missouri; Oak Ridge, Tennessee; Rockville, Maryland and Damascus, Maryland. During those years the family increased to include three children, Julie, Jeff and John. Mabel's life revolved around family and volunteer activities including Girl Scouts and Boy Scouts, church and school activities, and American Field Service including hosting a student from Brazil for a year. The family became active tent campers traveling up and down the east coast and into Nova Scotia.

While in Maryland, Mabel developed her ever present interest in art work while sharing studio space in Frederick and taking numerous art and art history courses at Montgomery College. In 1988 Jim was transferred to Albuquerque, New Mexico, to serve as the Deputy Manager of the DOE office. This was a perfect fit for Mabel and her art! During more than 25 years in Albuquerque she had the opportunity to serve as the President of the New Mexico Watercolor Society, President of the Yucca Branch of the National League of American Penwomen, docent at the Albuquerque Museum of Art and History, and longtime member of the Amapola Coop Gallery. In addition to winning many awards with the New Mexico Watercolor Society, she was selected as a Signature Member of the National Watercolor Society in a 2001 ceremony in California. Her work is in many private collections. Mabel and Jim have been longtime members of Hope Evangelical Free Church in Albuquerque.

Mabel especially enjoyed singing in the choir for many years, serving as a co-chair of the Care Committee with Jim, and Bible studies with a number of women's study groups. The Culpeppers renewed their wedding vows at Hope after 50 years of marriage with their three children and six grandchildren taking part. It was a happy time and the Lord was glorified and praised.

Mabel's great joy during her senior years were her children and participating in the lives of her grandchildren. She leaves husband, Jim; daughter, Julie Roberson and husband, Kevin of Albuquerque; son, John William Culpepper of Albuquerque and son, James Jeffrey Culpepper and wife, Susan of Morgantown, West Virginia. She also leaves six grandchildren and one great grandson: Mrs. Caitlin Lee Schreiner and husband, J.P. and great grandson, Jonathon Lee Schreiner; Mrs. Audrey Blanco and husband, Dorian; Warren Roberson and Ian Roberson all of Albuquerque and Tess and Jamie Culpepper of Morgantown, West Virginia.

In lieu of flowers please donate to the NM Autism Society, P.O. Box 30955, Albuquerque, NM 87190 or the charity of your choice. A Funeral Service was held Thursday, October 31, 2013, 10:00 a.m. at French – Lomas. Interment followed at Sunset Memorial Park, Albuquerque, NM. A Memorial Service and Celebration of Life was held Friday, November 1, 2013, 10:00 a.m. at Hope Evangelical Free Church, 4710 Juan Tabo NE, Albuquerque. From <http://www.frenchfunerals.com/obituaries/Mabel-Culpepper/>

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## Membership Update

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## *Bondurants in the Military*

Our late cousin Clint Bondurant of Senoia, GA, was the BFA “go-to” guy about Bondurants in military service. This new column in the BFA newsletter is dedicated to his memory. He was always generous with his knowledge and research. We miss you, Clint!

According to the National Archives, approximately 18 million military personnel records were destroyed in a fire in July 1973. No duplicate copies or indexes of these records were maintained and they had not been microfilmed! So that WWII discharge record or medals hiding in a box that you inherited many years ago and that is now buried in the back of your closet may be the only record of your family member’s military service.

Another way to find out about military service is local newspapers, which often published short announcements of a local citizen finishing basic training, being shipped out, or writing back home from the front lines. Local libraries often have back issues of newspapers in their collections. Many states are funding digitizing of historic newspapers, which often have the luxury of being able to search for a particular name! The digitized archives on pay websites like Ancestry.com and GenealogyBank.com may help you to find more information about your veteran.

Won’t you please share photos and anecdotes about your Bondurant family members who have served (or are serving) in the military, along with names of their parents, spouse(s), and children? If you have their unit information, please include it in your contribution. Also, please give us permission to add your photos and information to the BFA genealogy database, so that it can be available to others. Thanks!

### **John Parnell Bondurant II (1907-2002)**



You may have seen this tall Southern gentleman at some of the early BFA meetings - he is the father of BFA genealogist and long-time BFA newsletter editor Mary Bondurant Warren, and our grandfather. He is descendant of Littleberry Bondurant and his wife Nancy Scott Bondurant of Bedford, Virginia.

When America entered World War II, he volunteered, even though he was well over the age accepted for enlistment. This photo of Capt. Bondurant was taken in 1943 while he was stationed in North Africa at Oran, Algeria, and was sent to his mother and sister Birdie back home. The group was stationed at Tezgaon, Bengal, India from January 1944 until late 1945, providing supply logistics support for military aircraft operations flying “over the hump” into Burma and China. He was appointed historian for the group and collected vignettes and photos from each of the units in the 54<sup>th</sup> Air Service Group soon after their return home. These records and his diaries kept during the war became part of his book *The 54<sup>th</sup> Air Service Group 1943-1945: A Historical Compilation*, which was privately published in 1976.

John Bondurant was born Aug. 21, 1907 in Athens, Georgia, the 4<sup>th</sup> child of Emmet Jopling Bondurant I and Martha Strong Moss Bondurant. He spent most of his life in Athens, the owner of Athens Lumber Company from 1931 until 1981. He served on the Athens City Council in the 1960s, and spent many happy hours researching and recording the history of the city, the First Methodist Church, and his Bondurant ancestors. He married Mary Claire Brannon Sept. 17, 1928, and had three children, Mary Claire (1930 - ), Emmet Jopling II (1937 - ), and John Parnell III (1947 - ). He passed away Aug. 18, 2002, just a few days before his 95<sup>th</sup> birthday, and was buried in Oconee Hill Cemetery, Athens. Grandpop, you are still missed!

Looking forward to hearing about YOUR veteran’s service to our country! Email photos and text to [ebmayes@windstream.net](mailto:ebmayes@windstream.net) or mail it to Eve B. Mayes - BFA, 270 Wesley Chapel Road, Danielsville, GA 30633. Please do not mail your only copy of old photos - a photocopy or print will be scanned for the newsletter and the copy will be put in the BFA files. Thanks!

## Trip to Génolhac, France



The plaque placed on the house in Génolhac where Jean Pierre Bondurant was born by the BFA group in 1993. Photo taken 2005 by Amy Warren Sanders. Thanks, Sis!

It's hard to believe that more than 20 years have passed since a group of the descendants of Huguenot refugee **Jean Pierre Bondurant** boarded a bus and traveled over narrow and crooked roads through the Cevennes Mountains to his birthplace, Génolhac, France, and other family-related sites. If you went on that trip, would you share your photos with us?

You can read more about the 1993 trip in back issues (issues 15, 19-20) of the BFA newsletter - online access to all 100 issues of the BFA newsletter is available to current paid members on the BFA website. Go to <http://bondurant-family.org/> and select the Newsletters page.

**VISIT GÉNOLHAC IN 2015** – Past president and BFA webmaster David Bondurant would like to hear from anyone who would like to go to Génolhac as a group in 2015.

Contact him on his cell phone 719/661-7889, by email at [dbondurant@mac.com](mailto:dbondurant@mac.com) or on the BFA Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/groups/142740453048/>

## From the Researcher's Notebook *The Family of Pleasant Bondurant*

Long-time BFA researcher Ruby Talley Smith has been looking for the parents of **PLEASANT BONDURANT**, who was born about 1828 in Christian Co., Kentucky. A number of published sources give his name as **Pleasant B. Bondurant** and say that he died in 1869 and was buried in the Bondurant cemetery at Benton, Marshall Co., Kentucky. He married **MARIAH HELEN JACKSON** about 1857.

This is a good example of the importance of **verify, verify, verify!** Just because it's in print, doesn't necessarily mean that the information is accurate. A quick search of census records on Ancestry reveals that the 1860 Ballard Co., KY, census shows Pleasant A. Bondurant, age 32, and his wife Mariah H. Bondurant, age 21, are living in or near Blandsville, with their two year old daughter Jo Annie, and an older woman Chloe Bondurant, age 76.

Examining the actual page of the 1870 census of Ballard Co., KY, shows Mariah as "Helen Bongerant," age 32, as the head of the household, with real estate valued at \$300 and personal estate of \$200. Her husband Pleasant A. Bondurant is listed as age 35, and a farmer. Their daughters are Annie B. 12, Carey 8, Mary 6, and Jinnie 3.

What clues can we find just from these two documents? The strange placement of Pleasant on the 1870 census can be explained by examining the 1870 Mortality Schedule – Pleasant A. Bondurant died January 1870 of consumption (tuberculosis), thus by the time the census was taken in July, Mariah was his widow. Listed in the house next door to Mariah in 1870 is Lucy Jackson, age 60, born in Virginia, with sons William (age 22, a farmer) and Henry C. (age 18, at school). Could Lucy be Mariah's mother?

The clue from the 1860 census is Chloe – she is Chloe Garrett Bondurant, born 1782 in Buckingham Co., VA, and died Aug. 1868 in Ballard Co., KY. She is buried in the Bondurant family cemetery near LaCenter, Ballard Co., KY, on property that was owned by her son Jacob Napoleon Bondurant (1819-1900). See her grave marker on Find-a-Grave memorial #117068743.

From the BFA database, Chloe Garrett married James Agee Bondurant (I) Dec. 27, 1802 in Buckingham Co., VA. James Agee Bondurant was born 1779 in Buckingham Co., VA, the son of Darby Bondurant and Ruth Agee. He died before 1840, when Chloe appears as head of household on the 1840 Christian Co., KY, census.

*(Note from Eve: There are other online genealogical sites that offer millions of records for genealogists to search – I just happen to be more familiar with Ancestry, so you will find that I use it often to "chase rabbits" as Rick calls it.)*



## From the Family Scrapbook

**Curtius - Stalls - Bondurant Family** of Tennessee - shared by Stephanie Smith on the BFA Facebook page. She identified the people in the photo as (L-R) Frank Curtius (Annie's second husband), Mary J. "Annie" Bondurant Stalls Curtius, Minnie Virginia Richards (Annie's daughter-in-law, wife of James Paul Stalls, Sr.) with son James Paul Stalls, Jr. (my Granddaddy, Annie's grandson) in front, Minnie DeMumbrie Richards (Minnie V's mom), an unknown relative from Brownsville, James Paul Stalls, Sr (Annie's son) and a kitten.

Annie Bondurant was born Feb. 24, 1867 in Paducah, McCracken Co., KY, daughter of Joseph M. Bondurant (1843-1886) & Elizabeth Frances (Fannie) Brewer Bondurant (1846-1922). She married 1<sup>st</sup> James Franklin Stalls (1857-1889) and had one son James Paul Stalls (1889-1951), and 2<sup>nd</sup> Frank A. Curtius (1856-1949).

Annie died May 16, 1950 and is buried in the Oak Grove Cemetery in Paducah, KY (Find-a-grave memorial #22127142). Her parents and some siblings are also buried there. Thanks, Stephanie, for sharing this with us!



*Curtius-Stalls-Bondurant family shared by Stephanie Smith on BFA Facebook page*

## Photos from Past BFA Gatherings

Our treasurer (and my sister) Amy Warren Sanders has posted photos from past BFA meetings on the BFA Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/groups/142740453048/> - won't you go tag yourself or others that you know in these pictures, so we will always know who's who?? You must be a member of Facebook (it's free!) to access this page.

Did you know that you can make a tag for someone who may not be a member of Facebook or who may be deceased? Just click on the photo, then click the *Tag Photo* link at the bottom of the screen. Click on the face in the photo and type the name into the box that appears. When you are done, click the *Done Tagging* link to save the links to the photo. Add your comments to the photo to make a ongoing record from that meeting!



*2001 BFA meeting at Bob Bondurant's School of High Performance Driving*



## *Obituaries – Old and Modern*

These obituaries of Bondurants and collateral lines have been collected from various sources. The copyright to each one is held by the original publisher - we make no claims to that effect. The information from the obituary is given here solely as a resource for family history research. Please verify that the information is accurate from other sources before relying on it – the obituary is only as accurate as the knowledge of the person furnishing the information!!

Have an obituary pasted in an old family Bible or a clipping in a box in a drawer? Won't you take a photo of it and transcribe it to share with BFA? Email photo and transcription to [ebmayes@windstream.net](mailto:ebmayes@windstream.net), or mail a photocopy to Eve B. Mayes - BFA, 270 Wesley Chapel Road, Danielsville, GA 30633. Please type "BFA obituary" in your email subject line.

**BONDURANT – BUNDRANT – BUNDRUM – BUNDREN** – Yes, it gets confusing, doesn't it! Our BFA researchers have even found records where several variations of the spelling might even be used within the same document! So ... henceforth we're going to include obituaries and other records for all of these spellings. Hope they give you some clues to get beyond your "brick wall" in your research. See the original newspaper for the full obituary.

**BONDURANT OBITUARIES** from newspaper archives for October 2013 - March 2014, as found on the subscription website [www.genealogybank.com](http://www.genealogybank.com), compiled March 9, 2014 by ebm.

**VIRGINIA EDWARDS BONDURANT** – Greensboro, NC, was born on March 27, 1926 and passed away on March 14, 2014. Virginia is preceded in death by her husband of 68 years, Henry C. Bondurant, Sr. and son, David L. Bondurant. Virginia served as bookkeeper for many years at the Guilford College Fire Department and she was a homemaker. She is survived by three children and their spouses: James K. Bondurant (Karen), Michael A. Bondurant (Stephanie) and Henry C. Bondurant, Jr. (Pearline); six grandchildren: Elisha, Ashley, Ben & Bryan, Amie & Chris., and six great-grandchildren. Graveside service at New Garden Friends Meeting on Tuesday, March 18, 2014.

**Greensboro NC News & Record, March 16, 2014**

**JANIE CHANDLER BONDURANT** – Graham, NC went to be with her Lord on Jan. 29, 2014, at the home of her son in Graham. Mrs. Bondurant was born on June 24, 1947, one of 10 children of the late Louis and Lillie Chandler. She was a loving and devoted mother, grandmother, and friend. She retired from Renfro Corp. after 22 years of service. She is survived by two sons, Tee Jay and Tony Bondurant; a daughter-in-law, Amanda Bondurant; and five grandchildren, Hannah, Noah, Grace, and Abigail Bondurant, and Ashley Bondurant Smith. Also surviving are three sisters, Pauline Lovill, Peggy Webb, and Brenda Hiatt; two brothers, and three sisters-in-law, Donald and Barbara Chandler, Larry and Linda Chandler, and Sue Chandler. She was preceded in death by her husband, Timothy Bondurant; one sister, Lois Chandler; and three brothers, Billy Chandler, Wade Chandler, and Johnny Chandler.

**Mt. Airy News, The (NC) - Thursday, January 30, 2014**

**STEVE J. BONDURANT** – July 1, 1980 - December 31, 2013  
He loved life and did not let his disability hold him back. He graduated from PPCC with an AAS degree. He loved to sing Karaoke, play Texas holdem poker and go skiing. He lived and breathed Denver Broncos. He will be greatly missed by Mom, Karen Bondurant, and Father Rodney Moreno. Grandparents Paul and Jean Bondurant and many other family and friends.

**Gazette, The (Colorado Springs, CO) - Sunday, January 19, 2014**

**LOUISE BONDURANT (Weetie) PHILLIPS** – died peacefully at her home January 9, 2014. She was born August 20, 1930 in Memphis, Tennessee. She was the daughter of Julian Beasley Bondurant and Louise Harwood Bondurant. A lifelong Memphian, she graduated from The Hutchison School and attended Bennett College. Known by everyone as Weetie, she was the quintessential Southern lady, always gracious with her time and a cookie and a coke. She was the devoted wife of her childhood sweetheart, Harry Johnson Phillips and mother of their five sons. Weetie was active in the Memphis community.

She was the 1995 Sustainer of the Year of the Junior League of Memphis, as well as a member of the Little Garden Club and Tuesday Study Club. She served on the boards of Public Broadcasting System, Church Health Center, Memphis Arts Council, City Beautiful Commission and Christian Brothers University. As an avid fan of the St Louis Cardinals, she helped champion the Memphis Redbirds Foundation to bring Triple A baseball to Memphis. Weetie was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, two sons, Julian Bondurant Phillips and Howard Harwood Phillips "Woody" and a grandson, Byrant Bondurant Phillips "Ryan". She is survived by her sons Harry Johnson Phillips, Jr. (Kathy), Clifton Bondurant Phillips (Debbie), Percy Parker Phillips (Louise) and her daughter-in-law Lorol M. Phillips. She is also survived by her sister, Julie Bondurant Mills as well as eleven grandchildren and fourteen great-grandchildren. A visitation

will be held at Memorial Park Funeral Home, from 5:30 - 7:30 on Friday, January 10th. A service celebrating her life at St. Peter's Church, 190 Adams Avenue Saturday, January 11th with burial following at Elmwood Cemetery.

**Commercial Appeal, The (Memphis, TN) - Friday, January 10, 2014**

**JAMES ELLIOTT (JIM) BONDURANT** – Family, friends and colleagues of James "Jim" Bondurant paid their final respects Saturday at his funeral at the LaRue County Courthouse. (See his obituary and memorials on page 5 of this issue.)

**Larue County Herald News, The (Hodgenville, KY) - Tuesday, December 31, 2013**

**News-Enterprise, The (Elizabethtown, KY) - Thursday, December 26, 2013**

**CAROL ANNE BONDURANT BYKOWSKI** – 57, of Midlothian, Va., passed away on Wednesday, November 20, 2013. Born in Richmond, Va., she graduated from University of Connecticut in 1978 with a B.S. in mathematics and worked for Verizon as a manager in both the Engineering and Operations Departments. She retired after 27 years of service in 2006. She was preceded in death by her parents, Thomas L. Bondurant and Joyce Wooldridge Bondurant; and by her first "child" (cat), Cary. She is survived by her loving husband of 33 years, Bruce; her second "child" (cat), Katie; her brother, Gary Bondurant and his wife, Hollis, and their children, Allen and Thomas Bondurant; along with her brother-in-law, Brent and his wife, Sherrie, and their children, Lauren and Ashley. Carol was one of those rare individuals who had superior mathematical skills as well as being artistic and creative. She loved music, cooking, gardening, decorating and watching U Conn basketball. She shared her love, her compassion, her sense of humor and her talents with her friends and family unconditionally. She had a special bond with her six girlfriends from Verizon, who will forever keep her in their hearts. A celebration of her life will be held at Bliley's - Central on Monday, November 25, 2013 followed by interment at Greenwood Memorial Gardens, 12609 Patterson Ave., Richmond, Va. 23238. **Richmond Times-Dispatch (VA) - Saturday, November 23, 2013**

**CODY JAMES BONDURANT**, 27, passed away unexpectedly on November 25, 2013.

He was born in Akron and was a 2005 Ellet High School graduate. Cody was an avid outdoorsman who loved hunting, fishing and 4-wheeling. He had a great sense of humor and could cheer anyone up and most of all, he loved his family. He will be deeply missed. He is survived by his mother, Jodi (Larry) Burgy; and father, Joe Bondurant (Becky); brother and best friend, Hunter; brother and sister, Joey and Melissa; five nieces and nephews; step-brother, Briar; and step-sister, Wren; grandparents, Jim and Diane Smoot and Jim and JoAnn Bondurant; long-time close friend, Tricia; and many loving relatives and friends. The funeral held on Monday, December 2, 2013 at Cornerstone Free Methodist Church, 578 Killian Rd.

**Akron Beacon Journal (OH) - Saturday, November 30, 2013, Sunday, December 1, 2013, Page: B4**

**THELMA ANNE GREEN BONDURANT**, age 92, went home to be with the Lord on Thursday, November 14, 2013. Preceded in death by husband Alexander Bondurant, parents James and Anne Green, children Thelma Catron, Frances Bondurant, and Walter Bondurant; 3 sisters, one brother, one grandchild. She is survived by her daughter and caregiver, Evelyn Johnson; son, Donald Bondurant; special granddaughter, Kimberly Johnson; grandchildren, Brandon Catron, Joy Montgomery, Terrence Johnson, James (Ida) Johnson, Jr., and Javon Bondurant; great-grandchildren, Lauren McElroy, Brandy (Maurice) Wells, Jarrod Johnson, Janae and Damiyan Collick, Brandon and Brandi Montgomery, Ramon and Ranel Wyke; four great-grandchildren; sister, Rosetta Hall; adopted daughters, Barbara Walker and Yvonne Young; numerous, nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends. Funeral Friday, November 22, 2013 at New Faith Baptist Church of Christ, 955 Oak Street. Interment Forest Lawn Memorial Gardens.

**Columbus Dispatch, The (OH) - Wednesday, November 20, 2013, Page: 6B**

**MARY ELIZABETH (Beth) BONDURANT** – 71, of Huntington, wife of Bob Bondurant, died Aug. 12 in Emogene Dolin Jones Hospice House. Memorial service Aug. 31, 2013, at First Presbyterian Church, Huntington.

**Herald-Dispatch, The (Huntington, WV) - Thursday, August 15, 2013, Saturday, August 31, 2013**

**JOYCE WOOLDRIDGE BONDURANT** – age 83, passed away on September 28, 2013. She was born and raised in Richmond, Va., graduated from John Marshall High School and attended Marion College. She was preceded in death by her husband, Thomas L. Bondurant. She is survived by her daughter, Carol Bykowski and her husband, Bruce; her son, Gary Bondurant and his wife, Hollis, and their two children, Allen and Thomas Bondurant. Joyce loved her family, her church and her home. Among her many talents were gardening, sewing, decorating and shopping. Funeral Wednesday, October 2, 2013 at the Epiphany Lutheran Church Fellowship Hall. Burial at Greenwood Memorial Gardens.

**Richmond Times-Dispatch (VA) - Wednesday, October 2, 2013**

**WALTER RONALD (Ron) BONDURANT** – 76, of 815 Kristen Lane, Danville, Va., passed away on Sunday, September 15, 2013, at Carillion Roanoke Memorial Hospital. Mr. Bondurant was born in Eden, N.C., on September 29, 1936, a son of the late James Stafford Bondurant and the late Ethel Burchell Bondurant. He spent many years in the Danville area where he worked in the financial service business for over 40 years and retired from Citi Financial in 2002. He was a member of Moffett Memorial Baptist Church. Mr. Bondurant is survived by his wife, Donna Archibald Bondurant of the residence; two sons, Stephen Brett Bondurant and wife, Luci, of Raleigh, N.C., and Christopher Scott Bondurant of Blairs, Va.;

a sister, Rhumell B. Moore of Kure Beach, N.C.; and three nieces, Rhonda G. Proffit of Eden, N.C., Carolyn Rutledge of Reidsville, N.C., and Sandy Pell of Greensboro, N.C. In addition to his parents, Mr. Bondurant was predeceased by a son, Ronald Gregory Bondurant; brother, James Ellery Bondurant; and sister, Lois Bondurant Proffit.

A graveside service Wednesday, September 18, 2013, at p.m. Highland Burial Park.

**Danville Register & Bee (VA) - Tuesday, September 17, 2013**  
**Reidsville Review, The (NC) - Tuesday, September 17, 2013**

**LARRY J. BONDURANT** – age 49 years, of Jefferson City, Mo., passed away Thursday, September 11, 2013, surrounded by family at his home. Larry was born November 30, 1963, in Jefferson City, Mo., the son of Lawrence H. and Betty L. Reinbold Bondurant. He was married on May 14, 2011, in Bellefonte, Ark., to Danielle L. Taylor. A lifelong resident of the Jefferson City area, Larry was employed with the Missouri Dept. of Corrections at the Church Farm for several years. He later went to work for Broadway Wrecker Company for 13 years and recently worked with the City of Jefferson as a driver for Handi-Wheels. He loved visiting with the people that he drove and formed many great friendships. Larry was a past president of the East School P.T.A.; a volunteer with the Holts Summit Fire Dept.; a member of the Cole County Sheriff's Posse; the Sons of the American Legion, Roscoe Enloe Post 5; and a lifetime member of the National Rifle Assn. During any free time, Larry enjoyed riding his motorcycle and fishing. His main pride in life was his family and he always cherished time with them. Survivors include: his wife, Danielle Bondurant; two sons, Joe Bondurant of Jefferson City, Mo. and Danny Bondurant of Holts Summit, Mo.; one step-son, Sebastian Ousley of Jefferson City, Mo.; one step-daughter, Paige Ousley of Jefferson City, Mo.; two sisters, Anita S. Rains of Jefferson City, Mo. and Elaine Cole and her husband Rick of Jefferson City, Mo.; and four grandchildren, Trestyn Bondurant, Troy Bondurant, Skyler Matthews, and Brayden Matthews. He was preceded in death by his parents and grandparents.

Funeral services Friday, September 13, 2013, graveside services and interment at Mt. Pleasant Cemetery in Boone County, Mo.

**Jefferson City News-Tribune (MO) - Thursday, September 12, 2013**

**MRS. ARDELLA WATTS BONDURANT** – Chase City, 95, a homemaker, widow of Fred Bondurant.

**Richmond Times-Dispatch (VA) - Friday, August 9, 2013**

**DR. ROBERT FREDERICK BONDURANT**, 94, of Roanoke, died on Sunday, August 4, 2013. He was predeceased by his parents, Charles Robert and Emma Jane Wall Bondurant and his 10 siblings. He is survived by his wife of 68 years, Virginia S. Bondurant, and his children, C. Quentin Bondurant (Linda), Laura B. Elliott (Gene), Jane W. Bondurant (Ron Tessoroff), Sally W. Bondurant (Svend Pedersen) and Ann B. Trinkle (Dave). He was a wonderful grandfather to Alyson Elliott Bond (Eric), Shane Rogers (Jennifer), David Farnum Jr. (Carley), Gene Elliott III, John

Farnum (Megan), Neal Elliott, Sarah Pedersen, Eric Pedersen, Clay Trinkle, Ella Trinkle, and Owen Trinkle, and great-grandfather to Morgan and Drew Bond, Gage Rogers, Kathryn and Jack Farnum, and Lucy Farnum.

He graduated from Roanoke Public Schools and Roanoke College. He received his medical degree from the Medical College of Virginia on September 24, 1944, married his beloved "Ginny" September 25th and reported for active duty with the United States Navy September 28th in Portsmouth. He then served at a naval base on Oahu, Hawaii in World War II. He was recalled to service in the Korean War, as a physician on the aircraft carrier USS Oriskany.

After both wars he was a physician at Lewis-Gale Clinic and elected its President on numerous occasions. He was the sponsor for the Lewis-Gale Hospital's School of Nursing and took great pride in their achievements. He ended his career at the Clinic as its Medical Director. After his retirement in 1988, he volunteered many hours of work to the Lewis-Gale Medical Foundation and later served as its President. He was a past president of the Heart Association of Roanoke and the Heart Association for the Commonwealth of Virginia.

Dr. Bondurant was a member of St. John's Episcopal Church since his childhood. An avowed servant of the Lord, he was on its Vestry for many years and was its Senior Warden twice. He was dedicated in his involvement with the Episcopal Diocese of Southwestern Virginia throughout his life. The Roanoke Times named him Father of the Year for Religious Activities in the late 1970s. He was a past Chairman of the Board of Trustees of Virginia Episcopal School and of the board of Directors of Westminster-Canterbury of Lynchburg, Va. For many years he gave of his time and energy to the Virginia Theological Seminary in Alexandria, Va., serving on its Board of Trustees, including as Chairman. In appreciation for his commitment to the Seminary, he was awarded its honorary Doctor of Divinity Degree.

He was an avid tennis player until age 89, a woodworker and enjoyed sailing. He was a founder of the Virginia Inland Sailing Association and its first Commodore.

Bob Bondurant was devoted to Ginny and his family whom he cherished. He was committed to his Lord and the practice of medicine, a model in his generosity, had a great sense of humor, and was a valued friend to many. Memorial service Friday, August 9, 2013, at St. John's Episcopal Church, Jefferson St. and Elm Ave., Roanoke, Va.

**Roanoke Times, The (VA) - Thursday, August 8, 2013, page A13; Friday, August 9, 2013, Page: A1**

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**DALE "The Voice" BUNDRANT** – 68, died Sept. 25, 2012 in Atwood, KS.  
**News Tribune, The (Tacoma, WA) - Saturday, November 9, 2013**

**FRED F. BUNDRANT** – 86, Slippery Rock, NC, formerly of Mercer, NC, passed away at 1:30 a.m. Wednesday, Feb. 13, 2013, in Slippery Rock Personal Care Home. He was born April 26, 1926, in Youngstown to Fred and Anna Louise Shaw Bundrant. He graduated from McDonald (Ohio) High School in 1943. Fred was a truck driver for 42 years as an owner and operator, retiring in 1990.

Mr. Bundrant served as a tech sergeant in the U.S. Army Air Corps during World War II. He was of the Protestant faith and enjoyed bowling and watching stock car racing.

His first wife, the former Myrtle I. Campbell, whom he married Aug. 25, 1951, passed away Jan. 29, 2001. He then married Imogene Riley Bundrant, who passed away in September 2010.

Surviving are: his children, Mickey L. Bundrant and his wife Marcie, Hobart, Ind.; Marsha Tribble and her husband Dave, Slippery Rock; Fred Danny Bundrant, West Middlesex; and Steven A. Bundrant, New Castle; 13 grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

Besides his wives, he was preceded in death by his father; his mother, Anna L. Beatty; sons, an infant, Dennis Ray Bundrant; and Harold R. Bundrant; two sisters, Anna Mae Losser and Evelyn Lyons; and a brother, Donald R. Bundrant. Burial at Hillcrest Memorial Park, Hermitage.

**Allied News (Grove City, PA) - Wednesday, March 6, 2013**  
**Herald, The (Sharon, PA) - Wednesday, February 13, 2013**

**PATSY JEAN BUNDRANT** – 73, of Silsbee, TX. died Feb. 23, 2013.

**Beaumont Enterprise, The (TX) - Sunday, February 24, 2013, Page 6; Tuesday, February 26, 2013, Page: 4**

**GEORGE T. (TOM) BUNDRANT** – age 64, a native New Mexican, lost his courageous battle with cancer on December 29, 2012. He graduated from the University of New Mexico in 1970 and was a member of Sigma Chi fraternity. Tom also enjoyed long walks along the Bosque with longtime life partner Kathy. He was a beloved father, grandfather, brother, partner, uncle, and friend, as well as a respected businessman to those who knew him. He was preceded in death by his parents George and Vivian Bundrant. He is survived by his daughter Lindsey Bundrant; daughter Abby Makarski and her husband Will; granddaughters, Annabelle and Ava Makarski; brother, Pat Bundrant; partner, Kathy Wilson; as well as extended family members and many dear friends. His weekly visits from his precious granddaughter's, Annabelle and Ava, always left a smile on his face. Memorial service Saturday,

January 5, 2013.

**Albuquerque Journal (NM) - Friday, January 4, 2013**

**HELEN LOUISE DEERE BUNDRANT**, 74, of Cookeville, will be held at 1 p.m. Friday, Jan. 20, at New Beginning Fellowship Church. Interment will follow in West Cemetery. Family will receive friends from 5-8 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 19, at the Cookeville chapel of Hooper-Huddleston & Horner Funeral Home and again Friday from 11 a.m. until time of services at the church. Mrs. Bundrant died Monday, Jan. 16, 2012, at her home. She was born Sept. 4, 1937, in Bristol to the late Preston Wayne (PW) and Mae Leslie Deere. Mrs. Bundrant studied psychology at Emory & Henry College in Emory, Va., and earned her master's degree in Christian education at Emory University Candler School of Theology in Atlanta, Ga.

She met her husband of 50 years, Jim Bundrant, while in college. They married in 1961, and served the Lord together as missionaries to South Korea for 22 years. After their time in Korea, they lived in Bristol; Huntsville, Ala.; Appalachia and Big Stone Gap, Va., before moving to Cookeville in 1988. Mrs. Bundrant was a member of New Beginning Fellowship Church.

In addition to her husband, her family includes three daughters and two sons-in-law, Suzanna Greenwell and Ralph Hoyt of Waverly, Carol and Matt Hofer of Johnson City, and Holly Bundrant of Cookeville; a son and daughter-in-law, Doug and Carla Bundrant of Cookeville; seven grandchildren, Rhendi Greenwell, Olivia Thornburg, Abby Thornburg, Ivy Thornburg, Trey Bundrant, Andrew Bundrant and Mary Grace Bundrant; one great-grandchild, Amiyah Turner; a brother and sister-in-law, Wayne and Judy Deere of Johnson City; a niece, Leslie Deere; and three nephews, Matthew, Ira and David Deere. In addition to her parents, Mrs. Bundrant was preceded in death by a brother, Fred Deere. Pallbearers will be family and friends.

**Herald-Citizen (Cookeville, TN) - Wednesday, January 18, 2012**

**GLENN FAY BUNDRANT** – A shuffleboard tournament will be held in her memory at Glenn's Honor, The Val Nap, 444 Broadway, Vallejo.

**Times-Herald (Vallejo, CA) - Friday, December 2, 2011, Saturday, December 3, 2011**

**STEVEN A. BUNDRANT** – 46, of Boise, Idaho, passed away Tuesday Oct. 25, 2011 at home. He is survived by his wife, Diana Bundrant; mother, Renea Bundrant; sister, Fae Brownell, brothers-in-law, Jose Bercino and Jack Brownell; son, Shane Michael Banks; step-son, Shawn T. (Jade) Banks; step-daughter, Billijo (Paul) Garner; two grandsons and one granddaughter; numerous "step-sons" and friends. A funeral service will be held at 2:00 PM on Tuesday November 1, 2011 at Boise Funeral Home,

Aclesa Chapel (8209 Fairview Ave Boise-across from Winco). A reception will follow the service at Billijo's home at 9485 Lorinda, Boise, Id. 83704.

**Idaho Statesman, The (Boise, ID) - Saturday, October 29, 2011,  
Sunday, October 30, 2011**

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**ANNA BUNDRANT RIVERA** – 95, Palm Coast, a retired nurse, died Tuesday, June 28, 2011.

**Daytona Beach News-Journal (FL) - Wednesday, June 29, 2011**

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**DONALD JERRY BUNDRANT** – of Richland, WA, passed away April 4, 2011 peacefully at home with family at his side. He was the 5th of 6 children born to John and Elizabeth Bundrant on December 10th 1940 in Richland Washington.

Donald enlisted into the United States Navy in 1960 and proudly served his country during twenty years of military service. During his Naval career, Donald completed multiple deployments throughout the world in support of the Cold War and performing humanitarian assistance. In 1966 and 1969 Donald served in the Vietnam War. His unit patrolled Vietnamese rivers and coastal waters conducting maritime intervention and supporting combat operations. In 1980, Donald retired from the Navy after twenty years as a Chief Petty Officer Boiler Technician in Norfolk Virginia. His decorations include but are not limited to the Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal with Device, National Defense Medal, Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal, Navy Achievement Medal (Multiple), and Navy Good Conduct Medal (Multiple).

In 1982 Donald went to work for the Puget Sound Naval Shipyard, shop 41, in Bremerton, Washington, as a Boiler Technician, retiring early in 1993. Donald, a self-taught mechanic, was known by his family and friends regarding his expertise on minor automotive repairs up to complete car and engine overhaul. In his retirement years Donald enjoyed being able to spend more time in his garage working on his passions such as auto mechanics and woodworking. He was also known for being able to fix just about anything that was brought his way. He loved family gatherings and always had a story or a joke to share. In his younger years he was an avid outdoorsman who enjoyed hunting deer and fishing with his closest friends, Verne and Hutch.

Donald was preceded in death by his parents, John P. Bundrant and Elizabeth M. Bundrant; his sister Betty R. Bundrant-Freeman; and his brothers, Talmadge P. Bundrant, William H. Bundrant and Sherman L. Bundrant; his Niece Fern Briceno; and his Great Nephew Devon Riley.

He is survived by his wife of 21 years, Sandra M. Bundrant; Brother, Robert P. Bundrant and his wife Annette; his first wife, Christy M. Folden; daughters, Debra L. Lane, Dawnell M. Vaughn and her husband Scott, Delena E. Josephsen and her husband Thad, Laurie Rebar and Jackie Bahr; sons, Jeff Boe, Jim Rebar, Bruce Boe and his wife Heidi; 22 Grandchildren and 7 great-grandchildren; many nieces and nephews; and his loving dogs, Rusty and Max.

Donald's cremains will be laid to rest beside his parents whom he missed and loved dearly; a graveside memorial service on June 4th 2011 at Sunset Memorial Gardens, Richland, WA.

**Tri-City Herald (Kennewick, WA) - Wednesday, April 6, 2011,  
Friday, May 27, 2011**

**Kitsap Sun (Bremerton, WA) - Wednesday, June 1, 2011**

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**SHERMAN L. BUNDRANT** – 75, of Hammett, ID, died on December 23, 2010 at a Boise hospital.

**Idaho Statesman, The (Boise, ID) - Friday, December 24, 2010**

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**NINA ROBINSON BUNDRANT** – 77, formerly of Mattoon, TN, passed away Sunday, Nov. 21, 2010 in Savannah, TN. Nina was born in Etna, IL on August 18th, 1933, the daughter of the late Isaac Robinson and Clara Beals Robinson Winings. She was a retired convenience store operator. She loved craft work, crossword puzzles and sewing.

Survivors include two daughters, Tommie Short of Adamsville, Tenn., and Shelia Eslinger of Stockton, Mo.; one brother, Bill (Betty) Robinson of Mattoon; 5 grandchildren; and 3 great-grandchildren. Nina was preceded in death by one daughter, Brenda Flood of Brownstown; 2 sisters, Maxine Rickleman of Griffith, Ind., and Bonnie Harris of Mattoon; and 2 brothers, Bob Robinson and Floyd Robinson, both of Mattoon.

**Journal Gazette (Mattoon, IL) - Tuesday, November 30, 2010**

**Times-Courier (Charleston, IL) - Tuesday, November 30, 2010**

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**GEORGE W. BUNDRANT** – 91, born in Exeter, Virginia on March 27, 1919, passed away on Tuesday, November 23, 2010 in Albuquerque, NM: father, grandfather, great-grandfather, brother and friend. George is survived by his two sons, Pat and Tom; four grandchildren, Brenna Aschbacher, Lindsey Bundrant, Bryan Bundrant, and Abby Makarski; seven great-grandchildren; one sister; and one brother. He moved to Albuquerque, New Mexico in 1938 and worked in the steel and building material business until his retirement.

He was a veteran of WWII. George enjoyed growing tomatoes and always prided himself in having the first ripe tomato of the season. He will be greatly missed by family and friends.

Services Tuesday, November 30, 2010, at Chester T. French Memorial Mausoleum Chapel, with interment at Sunset Memorial Park.

**Albuquerque Journal (NM) - Sunday, November 28, 2010**

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**HAROLD ROMAINE BUNDRANT** – 50, Kennerdell, PA  
**Herald, The (Sharon, PA) - Thursday, January 28, 2010**  
**Allied News (Grove City, PA) - Saturday, January 30, 2010**

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**SHIRLEY NADEAN (LIVELY) BUNDREN** – Lyons, KS (formerly of Enid, Okla.) Bundren, Shirley NaDean (Lively), 63, beloved wife, mother and grandmother "Nanny," has gone to be with her Lord and Savior Friday, Sept. 6, 2013.

Shirley was born in Atlanta, Ga., to Marvin and Mayme Lively and later moved to Dallas, Texas, where she grew up and was raised by her mother and stepfather, James Doyle Chapman.

She later moved to Enid, Okla., where she married Larry Bundren at Davis Park Christian Church on Aug. 1, 1981. She is survived by her husband and best friend of 33 years, Larry; daughter, Marie Deering and husband James of Lyons; son, Travis Selvey and wife Zondra of El Reno, Okla.; grandchildren, Tanner and Tyler Deering; brother, Doyle Chapman Sr. and wife Elberta of Enid, Okla.; and many nieces and nephews. She was preceded in passing by her parents and stepfather, and sister, Bobbie.

Enid News and Eagle (OK) - Wednesday, September 11, 2013

**BUNDREN, RICKEY WAYNE** - age 58, of Knoxville, passed away on Thursday, December 20, 2012. He was preceded in death by his father and mother, Charlie Bundren and Helen Pique; brother, Michael Bundren. He is survived by his children and their spouses, Christy, Rickey (Kary), Melissa (Brad), and Evie; grandchildren, Kelton, Aubrey, Kendall and Kinsley; brothers and sisters and their spouses, Charlie Ray (Sharon), Betty, Danny, Darlene, and Terry; several nieces and nephews; girlfriend, Pam Miller; family friend, Shirley Monroe. Interment at Bookwalter Cemetery.

Knoxville News Sentinel (TN) - Tuesday, December 25, 2012

**ORVAL G. BUNDREN** – 88 of Crab Orchard, passed away peacefully at 9:15 a.m. Thursday, May 9, 2013, at Carrier Mills Nursing and Rehabilitation Center of Carrier Mills. He was born in rural Williamson County, near the Palzo community, on Friday, April 17, 1925, the son of Roscoe and Ollie (Rodgers) Bundren. Orval was united in marriage to Mary Ada Boyd on Saturday, March 4, 1944, in the Arnold View community of rural Creal Springs, and together shared over 62 years of marriage until her death on Saturday, February 3, 2007.

He is survived by two daughters and sons-in-law, Brenda and Jerry Upchurch of Marion, and Robin and David McKenzie of Marion; two sons and daughters-in-law, Gary and Sharon Bundren of Marion, and Bob and Pamela Bundren of Marion; eight grandchildren, Brad Segers and wife, Amanda, Shelly Cain and husband, Brent, Mike Bundren and wife, Melissa, Jeff Bundren and wife, Patty, Bobby Bundren and wife, Brooke, Andy Bundren and wife, Marcy, Brian Bundren and wife Charity and Aubrey McKenzie; six step grandchildren, Shalani Gates and husband, Andy, Paula Stanley and husband, Mark, Angie Dowdy and husband, Jesse, Suzanna Lee and husband, Eric, Benjamin Boulton and wife, Shelley and Natalie Hooker and husband, Dennis; 16 great-grandchildren, Brocton Bundren, Cole Bundren, Jordan

Bundren, Lexie Bundren, Kaylee Barnes, Beau Barnes, Zane Cain, A. J. Segers, Ava Segers, Madison Bundren, Brady Bundren, Mikayla Bundren, Miranda Bundren, Melaina Bundren, Caleb Bundren and Chloe Bundren; six step-grandchildren; one step great-great grandson; sister, Edith Tanner of Marion; special friend and neighbor, Charles Graves of Crab Orchard, a host of nieces, nephews, other extended family members and many friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents, wife; infant twin daughter, Robbie Verlaine Bundren; two sisters, Myrtle Edwards and Helen Rector and three brothers, Lloyd and Ernest Bundren and his twin brother, Norval Bundren. Interment next to his wife in Simmons Cemetery east of Creal Springs.

Marion Daily Republican, The (IL) - Friday, May 10, 2013, Monday, May 20, 2013 Page: 5A

**ASBURY, JEWEL BUNDREN HUTSELL** went home to be with the Lord at 7:30 a.m. on Friday, October 12, 2012 at the age of ninety-five. Mrs. Asbury was born in Knoxville, Tennessee on March 16, 1917 and was a graduate of Central High School. Jewel was a longtime member of Fifth Avenue Baptist Church. She was a retired employee of the Power Equipment Company following many years of service and after her retirement she volunteered for many years at The Love Kitchen. Preceded in death by her parents, Frank and Bessie Bundren; sister, Aretta Kelly, first husband, Robert Hutsell; son, Robert Frank Hutsell; second husband, James E. Asbury; niece, Pat Keylon; step daughter, Barbara Asbury. She is survived by her grandsons and their spouses, Greg and Tina Hutsell and Randy and Corine Hutsell; great granddaughters, Chelsea, Casey and Caitlin Hutsell; niece, Retta Ellis; daughters-in-law, Patricia Hutsell and Jerry Hutsell; step daughter and spouse, Doris and Dave Luening; step son and wife, Stewart and Jennifer Asbury; great nephews and their spouses, Reed and Lisa Ellis and Eric and Melinda Ellis; great niece and spouse, Kelly and Eric Stroud; many loving nieces, nephews, and step grandchildren.

Knoxville News Sentinel (TN) - Sunday, October 14, 2012, Monday, October 15, 2012

**JOHN ROBERT (Bob) BUNDREN** - Harrisburg, Ill., 81, died March 31, 2012, at his residence in Harrisburg. Bob was born in Stonefort on April 20, 1930, to Iva (Reeder) and John E. Bundren; later, his family moved to Harrisburg where he attended Malan Jr. High School.

As a young man, Bob worked at various service stations in Harrisburg and at the age of 18 he met and married his life partner of 63 years, Dorothy Percy. Bob and Dorothy were blessed with three children, Steven (Janet) Bundren, Debra (Bruce) Allen and Tamara (Jim) McGuire. They were further blessed with six grandchildren, Joshua (Alesha) Allen, Jacob (Keely) Allen, Jace McGuire, Maegan, Larra and Blaine Bundren. The blessings kept coming for Bob and Dorothy when Luke Jacob Allen and Parker



Clarida came into their lives, two wonderful great-grandchildren. Bob worked on many construction and road projects in the area through the Operating Engineers Local 318 where he mastered the skills of heavy equipment operation and earned the respect of many co-workers. He spent several years working with the Sahara Coal Company, a career that was shortened due to a back injury. Bob went on to earn his G.E.D. and then spent time working in real estate sales. Bob later worked in car sales with his lifelong friend, Buddy Pool of Pool Pontiac. He retired in 1988. He served as campground host at the Glen O. Jones State Fish and Wildlife Area for many years where his outgoing personality, keen sense of humor, and friendly manner made his campsite a favorite spot to visit for all that came to know him.

His gazebo at his residence on Ledford Street was frequented by many friends from all walks of life including local law enforcement, mail carriers, businessmen, neighbors and old acquaintances who wanted to get a good conversation flavored with smiles, laughter and a humorous take on the recent town gossip. Any phone call to his residence when answered by him most always "treated" the caller to a dose of his unique sense of humor which was always funny even when the call was to address an urgent or serious topic. Bob was the quintessential jokester. He was thought of as a wonderful father by his children and had their love, admiration and respect always and forever.

Bob was a member of McKinley Avenue Baptist Church for more than 50 years and previously served as a deacon and Sunday school teacher. He loved camping and riding his motorcycle, but most of all he enjoyed vacationing with his family.

Bob Bundren served the Harrisburg Masonic Lodge No. 325 for 58 years. He was twice the Past Master, which included serving as Master of the Lodge during the centennial in 1959. Throughout his years of service, Bob mentored and instructed many acquaintances, friends, and family members. Bob was so pleased when all of the Past Masters pictures were displayed in the new Lodge.

Bob is survived by his wife, the former Dorothy Searcy; son, Steve and family; daughter, Tamara and family; son-in-law, Bruce Allen and family; grandchildren; great-grandchildren; three sisters, Betty Meadows of Michigan, Linda (Jack) Simpson of Harrisburg and Theresa (Larry) Baker of Texas; and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents; and beloved daughter, Debra Allen.

**Evansville Courier & Press (IN) - Friday, April 13, 2012, p. 6A**  
**Harrisburg Daily Register (IL) - Friday, April 13, 2012, p. A6**  
**Southern Illinoisan (Carbondale, IL) - Friday, April 13, 2012**

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**I.V. 'IVEY' BUNDRUM** – 92, of Lithia Springs, GA, died February 17, 2014. Funeral Wednesday, Feb. 19, 2014, burial at Powder Springs City Cemetery.

**Douglas County Sentinel (GA) - Monday, February 17, 2014**

**BILLIE JEAN BUNDRUM** – Arkabutla, TN - age 73, died December 19, 2013. Pate-Jones, 662-562-4481

Commercial Appeal, The (Memphis, TN) - Saturday, December 21, 2013, Page: 4

**HERBERT BUNDRUM** – 78, of Cartersville, GA, died Thursday. Graveside service, Monday, March 25, Morris Cemetery, Powder Springs.

Atlanta Journal-Constitution, The (GA) - Sunday, March 24, 2013, Page: B10

**ROLAND EUGENE "GENE" BUNDRUM** – 65 of Lithia Springs died Feb. 23, 2012.

**Douglas County Sentinel (GA) - Thursday, February 23, 2012**

**MR. JODY THOMAS (J.T.) BUNDRUM**– age 70, of Temple, GA died Saturday, November 30, 2013, in Tanner Medical Center, Carrollton. Jody was born June 2, 1943, in the New Georgia Community in Paulding County to the late James A. Bundrum and the late Minnie Grace Brown Bundrum.

He was a proud Veteran of the Vietnam War, having served our Country in the United States Army until he was honorably discharged on April 26, 1968. During his service he received many commendations including the Silver Star, awarded on July 4, 1968, "for gallantry in action involving close combat against an armed, hostile force in the Republic of Vietnam," with recognition that "his extraordinary heroism in close combat against a Viet Cong force is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service and reflected great credit upon himself, 9th Infantry Division and the United States Army."



*Jody Thomas Bundrum,  
furnished by Linda Carroll  
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Facebook page*

Jody was a Christian, and was retired from Tee Pak Printing Company. One of his greatest interests was Paleontology, the study of fossils, with his dedicated efforts in this field leading to several discoveries which will soon be on display at Ohio State University. He was also a beloved Waffle House regular, and enjoyed attending reunions with fellow Vietnam War Veterans.

Survivors include his daughter and son-in-law, Michelle and Joe Moreland of Woodstock; son and daughter-in-law, Marty and Monica Bundrum and their two sons, Lance and Dawson of Temple; brother and sister-in-law, Grady and Francine Bundrum of Douglasville; sister, Montine Alexander of Atlanta; and a number of nieces and nephews. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his brother, Lawrence Bundrum.

A cryptside service with full Military Honors will be conducted Thursday, December 12, 2013, at 11 a.m. at the Georgia National Cemetery in Canton, Georgia, with a procession escorted by the Patriot Guard Riders leaving the funeral home at 9:30 a.m. In lieu of flowers, the family respectfully requests donations be made to the Patriot Guard Riders either by mail at 6641 E. 85th Street North, Owasso, OK 74055 or online at [www.patriotguard.org](http://www.patriotguard.org)

**Times-Georgian (Carrollton, GA) - Saturday, November 30, 2013, Saturday, December 7, 2013**

**ELLA PEARL BUNDRUM** – 92, Jacksonville, AL - Funeral Wednesday, June 5, 2013, burial in Hillcrest Cemetery. Mrs. Bundrum died June 2, 2013 at RMC. Survivors include three daughters, Joan Stevenson, Shirley Andrews, and Sandra Pock; a son, Roger Bundrum; 16 grandchildren; and 22 great-grandchildren. Mrs. Bundrum was a native of Jacksonville, AL, but lived several years in California. She was a loving wife, mother, grandmother and great-grandmother and will be missed by all. She was preceded in death by her husband, Richard Bundrum; a daughter, Sarah Standridge; a son, Cecil Bundrum; and a grandson, Ronald Bundrum.

**Anniston Star, The (AL) - Tuesday, June 4, 2013**

**TRAVIS J. BUNDRUM** – 69, Jacksonville, AL, Funeral Sunday, April 14, 2013, burial in Greenlawn Memorial Gardens with full military honors. Mr. Bundrum died Tuesday, April 9, 2013 at RMC Jacksonville. He is survived by his daughter, Rhee Bundrum-Nichols and her husband, David, of Jacksonville; his son, Travis J. "T.J." Bundrum Jr., of Jacksonville; four grandchildren, Davis Ballard, Kaleb Slaton, Cara Nichols and Connor Nichols, all of Jacksonville; one niece, Martha Jones, of Jackson, Ga.; one nephew, Kenneth W. Bundrum Jr., of Sarasota, Fla.; and several great-nieces and great-nephews.

Pallbearers will be military. Honorary pallbearers will be Davis Ballard, Kaleb Slaton, Connor Nichols, Nathan Hill, David Nichols, Geoff Meers, Jeff McCurdy, Matt Deason, Steve Bailey, Daniel Coheley and Barrett Coheley.

Mr. Bundrum was retired from the Alabama Army National Guard and he retired from the Anniston Army Depot with over 25 years of service in security. He was a member of Friendship Baptist Church and a devoted father and granddaddy. Mr. Bundrum was a simple man with a big heart who loved his family dearly. He will be greatly missed by all who knew him.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Pamela Sexton Bundrum; his parents, Claude and Margaret Tibbits Bundrum; and his brother, Kenneth Waymon "Sonny" Bundrum Sr.

**Jacksonville News, The (AL) - Tuesday, April 16, 2013**

**Anniston Star, The (AL) - Friday, April 12, 2013, Saturday, April 13, 2013**

**KENNETH "SONNY" BUNDRUM** – 71, Jackson, GA - Funeral Sunday, April 7, 2013, burial at Greenlawn Memorial Gardens. Mr. Bundrum passed away on Friday, March 29, 2013, in his home in Jackson, Georgia.

He is survived by his daughter, Martha Bundrum Jones and son-in-law, Eric Jones, of Jackson, Ga.; son, Kenneth W. Bundrum Jr. and daughter-in-law, Romana Bundrum, of Sarasota, Fla.; one brother, Travis J. Bundrum Sr., of Jacksonville, Ala.; eight grandchildren, Jessica Jones Phillips, of Locust Grove, Ga., Jacob Jones, of Jackson, Ga., Luke Bundrum, of Lancaster, S.C., Jared Jones, of Jackson, Ga., Justin Jones, of Asheville, N.C., Twila Smith, of Charlotte, N.C., Jacqueline Jones, of Athens, Ga., Cody Bundrum, of Charlotte, N.C.; four great-grandchildren, Gloria Faith Marie Henderson, Camden Bundrum, Lincoln Jones, and Cayden Bundrum; and several nieces and nephews. Pallbearers will be Jacob Jones, Jared Jones, Justin Jones, Luke Bundrum, Cody Bundrum and T.J. Bundrum.

Sonny was born on January 5, 1942 in Jacksonville, Alabama to the late Claude Bundrum and Margaret Gordon Bundrum. He graduated from Jacksonville High School and then went on to work for Eastern Airlines for 25 years as a Freight Agent. Sonny was married to the love of his life Charlotte Boozer Bundrum for 34 years.

He was a devoted family man and was in many ways generous to both family and many friends. Sonny had a lifelong passion for his favorite baseball team the Atlanta Braves. He also loved to fish and watch football. Sonny proudly served in the Alabama National Guard.

**Jacksonville News, The (AL) - Tuesday, April 9, 2013**

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#### The torch has been passed

Mary Bondurant Warren has been the editor and "resident genealogist" for BFA since its inception. She stepped down after issue #100 was mailed in December 2013. Your new editors are her eldest daughter Eve and husband Rick Mayes of Pocatigo, GA. Mary will still be involved with BFA.

Please send any news, photos, clippings or tidbits of Bondurant-related information to Eve by email [ebmayes@windstream.net](mailto:ebmayes@windstream.net) or by "snail mail" to Eve B. Mayes, 270 Wesley Chapel Road, Danielsville, GA 30633. Thank you!

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