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ANNUAL MEETING, MIDLOTHIAN, VA, OCTOBER 17-19, 2008

Our co-Presidents Ginny and Carroll Wray are planning the program for our next meeting. Site will be Days Inn, Midlothian, phone 804/794-4999, located in Chesterfield Mall. A block of 25 rooms has been reserved, but will be released to the public on 15 Sept. Room rate is \$74 per night, with a free Continental breakfast.

A bus tour to Bondurant sites from Matoaca to Gold Hill has been planned for Saturday, leaving the hotel at 9, returning at 4. A group supper has been scheduled for Saturday night.

The bus can accommodate 46 persons, and we must have at least 40 riders signed up and paid for by 1 June 2008. Make your check for \$25 for the tour payable to BFA, and mail to our Treasurer, Jack Bondurant, 5112 Mount Vernon Memorial Highway, Alexandria, VA before 1 June. If we fail to collect from enough riders, your check will be returned.

More details on the meeting schedule will appear in our next issue.

MISSING BANNER

Does anyone know the whereabouts of the Bondurant Family Association banner -- red and black coat of arms of Genholac in the middle. We think it was last used at the 2000 meeting at Williamsburg. Any clues as to its present location should be sent to the Wrays at wrays@netscape.com.

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Your Portal to Bondurant Family Historical and Genealogical Information

By David W. Bondurant, BFA Webmaster

From your first Google search for Bondurant family information to a complete collection of Bondurant family information on-line in just one click, the Bondurant Family Association website at www.bondurant-family.org is your portal to learning more about your Bondurant heritage.

Find out about the history of Bondurant families from their early roots in southern France to a Huguenot's journey through Switzerland to England, and then to the New World of America. Learn how the first American Bondurant, Jean-Pierre Bondurant, married and raised a family who created today's Bondurant family throughout America. See where he lived at Manakintown, VA. See where he is buried nearby. Learn more about the westward migration of the family through the Cumberland Gap to Kentucky, and westward throughout the US.

Journey back to France to learn about our French history, our home village of Genolhac, and take virtual tours of Cevennes mountains and towns nearby. Access an on-line Bondurant family forum, purchase Bondurant family books and videos. See pictures from our annual reunions around the US.

Bondurant Family Association members share family historical information through their quarterly newsletters, the BFA website, and an annual reunion. Get involved. You can get started to learn about your family roots via the free public website

Fill out the membership form posted on-line and for \$20 per calendar year, you will receive 4 newsletters, containing the latest family information. Once you are a current, registered BFA member, contact the BFA Treasurer to receive your user name and password to the private on-line archive of 76 past BFA newsletters covering Bondurant activities since the organization was founded in 1988 through the latest issue. Get the information to help you connect your family to our 400 year old family tree. Where do you fit?



“AGED TO PERFECTION” - JOHN BONDURANT IS 99

What a wonderful proof that Bondurants are long-livers!

“Here is a photo taken at my 99th birthday celebration Nov. 1. The button on my vest says ‘Aged to Perfection.’ I am far from perfect, but I’m still alive and kicking. It’s a wonderful life that I have. I am so lucky.”

Mr. Bondurant lives alone at 1920 Crestview Dr., Bartlesville, OK 74003. He is active in the First Presbyterian Church, which “continues to be my source of faith and good will,” he wrote in his Christmas letter. He was with us for the meeting at Williamsburg in 2000. We all wish him well during this, his 100th year!

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DEATHS

Our sympathy goes out to all these bereaved families.

DALE BONDURANT, 82, longtime Alaska resident, died 25 Oct 2006 at Funny River from complications of a stroke and Alzheimer's disease. He was born 6 April 1924 in Northwest, OH to Earl Bondurant and Joy Gesler, and was raised there. During World War II he worked in the Pearl Harbor shipyards. While still a military road, Mr. Bondurant migrated on the Alaska Highway to Alaska, and returned to OH for a year to help his parents establish a dairy farm. During the height of the "Cold War" Mr. Bondurant worked at the Anchorage Docks, and at Fort Richardson as a machinist, where he retired after 30 years. Before moving to Funny River he had lived in Sterling and Anchorage. He was preceded in death by his brothers Donald and Robert Bondurant. One brother survives, Byron Bondurant of Funny River, Alaska.

Editor's Note: Ruby T. Smith gave this lineage. Dale was the son of Earl S. Bondurant and Joyce Konata (Joy) Gessler. Earl was son of Ephraim Downey Bondurant and Nora Goldie Hux. E.D. was the son of Zachariah or Zackery Taylor Bondurant and Elizabeth Frances Pyles.

Z.T. was the son of William Tyree Bondurant and Nancy York

W.T. was the son of Thomas Bondurant and Margaret Allen (Peggy) Drury.

Thomas' ancestry is still uncertain, possibly son of Richard Bondurant and Cecelia Ann Hall or Joel Bondurant and Miss O'Brien. Both were said to be sons of John Bondurant, Sr. and Sarah Rachel Taylor.

From *the Charlotte Observer*, Charlotte, NC, 23 Jan. 2008 came this obituary, passed on to me by Clint Bondurant.

MRS. DOROTHY ELIZABETH BAKER BONDURANT, age 79, of Gastonia, NC, died 21 Jan. 2008. She was born 10 April 1928 in Gaston Co., NC, daughter of the late John Morris Baker and Ethel Mae Wilkie. Mrs. Bondurant was the widow of William Henry Bondurant, Sr. who preceded her in death. A memorial service was held at the First Baptist Church of Lincolnton, NC. Survivors were sons William H. Bondurant, Jr. and Joey Bondurant, both of Davidson, NC, and two daughters Mrs. Sheila B. Brame of Wilkesboro, NC, and Mrs. Lisa B. McGill of Gastonia, NC. There were 12 grandchildren: Rick Brame, Jr., Katy Erikson, Mitzi Bondurant, Trey Bondurant, Steve Bondurant, Scott Coffey, Joey Bondurant, Jr., Charley Bondurant, Michael Bondurant, Megan Bondurant, Carmen Magill, and Pressly Magill, and four unnamed great grandchildren. Private service at Hollybrook Cemetery, Lincolnton, NC.

Editor's Note: Ruby Talley Smith identified William Henry "Billy" Bondurant, born 5 Feb. 1924, died 17 March 1984, buried Hollybrook Cem. as were his parents and some siblings. Joel Marvin Bondurant, Sr., was born 18 July 1888 in NC, died 28 March 1953, buried Hollybrook Cem., Lincolnton. In 1920 he lived in Lexington, Davidson Co., NC, and in 1930 Statesville, Iredell Co., NC, occupation upholsterer. His wife was Willie Presnell, born 4 July 1892 NC, died 17 June 1967 also buried in Hollybrook Cem. Their nine children:
Eva born about 1910 NC
Francis born about 1915

Ruby born about 1917

Margaret born about 1919, married Mr. Sain

Joel Marvin, Jr., born 1922, died 2 Dec. 2002 Lincolnton, NC, aged 80, survived by his wife (Lelia Shelton) and daughter (Sharon Kay Bondurant). *Lincoln Times-News*, 2 Dec. 2002.

William Henry "Billy," above

Betty Jean born about 1927 married Mr. Mercier

Jack born about 1929

Joan born 1 Sept. 1931, died 18 Sept. 2001 Lincolnton. She married Jack C. Yoder, Sr., and had two children: Jack C., Jr., and Donna Yoder who married Mr. Bell.

Ruby remarks that "there were in addition to Joel Marvin Bondurant, Sr. and Jr., a Joel Morris Bondurant, Sr. and Jr., in the same general area of NC around the same time. I just cannot pick out who is who to get back past either of them. Maybe someone else can." It's also possible that Joel Marvin and Joel Morris are the same father-and-son, and their names are given in error.

Joel Marvin, Sr. called Joe, was the son of James William Bondurant born 1 March 1845

Roanoke, VA, died April 1929 High Point, NC, and Mary Ann Boccock or Beaucock, who died at Walnut Cove, NC, date unknown.

The State Journal, Frankfort, KY, 6 Nov. 2007 carried the obituary of **MRS. FLORINE DURHAM BONDURANT**, 89, widow of Willard Roy Bondurant, Sr., of Frankfort, KY, who died on 3 Nov. 2007 after a stroke. Mrs. Bondurant was a native of Simpson Co., KY, the daughter of the late Robert K. Durham and Mary Elizabeth Hughes. A homemaker, Mrs. Bondurant was a member of the Franklin County Garden Club, Woman's Club, and Thornhill Homemakers, and served on several civic and community boards. She was a member of the Thornhill Baptist Church.

Survivors are son Roy Bondurant, Jr., wife Marilyn, of Hattiesburg, MS; daughters Wanda Bondurant Flener of Louisville, and Janet Bondurant Slay, husband Herbert, of Hattiesburg, MS, 7 grandchildren, 10 great grandchildren, and caregivers Helen and Gary Thompson.

Rev. James Bondurant, assisted by Tony Elam, officiated, and burial was in the family lot in Sunset Memorial Gardens, Woodford Co., KY. Pallbearers were: Troy Bondurant, Todd Bondurant, Cameron Flener, Billy Rogers, Lane Cockrell, Mark Malatesta, and Robert Durham. Her husband and parents, one grandchild, and one great grandchild preceded Mrs. Bondurant in death.

Chicago Tribune, IL, 2 Nov. 2007, **JOHN PAUL BONDURANT, SR.** of Lombard, IL, aged 65 died at Cape Girardeau, MO on 29 Oct. 2007 of a brain aneurysm. Born in Walla Walla, WA, 9 March 1942, he was the son of the late Richard and Frances Bondurant; his brother Timothy is also deceased. Survived by his wife Marilyn, married children Debra and Scott Carlson, John and Michelle Bondurant, Susan and Mark Hendrix, and Kathy and Andy Pogorzelski, and grandchildren Jessica, Tiffany, Dylan, Alyssa, Cody and Madeline.

John graduated from high school in Hermiston, OR, then enlisted in the Army, being stationed in Addison, IL, and in Korea. While in IL he met and married Marilyn, with whom he lived for 44 years. He retired in Spring of 2007 from Navistar.

Editor's Note: Mr. John Paul Bondurant, Sr. seems to be another descendant of John Bondurant, Sr. and Sarah Rachael Taylor, through son Joel Bondurant, Sr., and Miss O'Brien, whose son Joel, Jr. married Sarah (Sally) Wheat, and had a son James Henry or Pierre, who married

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Margaret Bocock. Their son Peter (1834-1914) married Emily Ruth Simmons, and had a son Andrew Jackson who married Joellen Scales. Their son was Joseph Richard who married Frances Parrish, the parents of John Paul, Sr.

MRS. JEAN HOOD BOOTH, Commerce, GA, widow of Gen. William Howard Booth, died 3 Feb. 2008. She was the only daughter of John Hood and Norma Alexander, both of Commerce. Mrs. Booth was active in many church, civic and historical endeavors. She was survived by four sons: William Howard Booth, wife Jacquelynne Simpson, of Athens; John Thomas Booth; Joseph Henry Booth, wife Susan Allen, of Commerce; Alexander Hood, wife Fran Spiva, of Atlanta; six grandchildren and an infant great granddaughter. Burial in Apple Valley Baptist Church Cemetery, Jackson Co., GA.

Editor's Note: Mrs. Booth served as the first Secretary of the Bondurant Family Association. She descends from Ann Bondurant and James Ford through their son James Ford, Jr., and Sarah Burrit, whose daughter Mary Ford married Charles Duncan. Their son was Alexander Duncan who married Mary B. Gillespie, and had son John Charles Duncan who married Jane Meldora Roberts. Their daughter was Louisa O. Meldora Duncan, wife of Joseph Eugene Alexander, the parents of Norma Kathleen Alexander.

The Columbus Ledger-Enquirer, Columbus, GA, 21 Dec. 2007 had the obituary for **MR. CHARLES BONDURANT DUDLEY**, grandfather of member Mrs. Carter Wilcox. Mr. Dudley, 88, died in Greenville, SC, 19 Dec. 2007 after a period of ill-health. He graduated from the Baylor School in Chattanooga, TN, in 1937, attended Georgia Tech and Furman University, then served during World War II in the U.S. Air Force 1941-1945. He was a prize-winning golfer, and was inducted into the SC Golf Hall of Fame in 1989. Survivors are his 2nd wife Mrs. Nancy Brockman Dudley, three children: Bonnie Dodson, husband John, Ann Holley and husband Larry, and Martin G. Dudley, and wife Kathy, and son-in-law Richard Meyer III. Eight grandchildren: Carter Wilcox, Charles Meyer, Will Dodson, Georgia Dodson, Rita Mitchell, Dana Mitchell, Charles B. Dudley II and John Dudley. Mr. Charles B. Dudley was preceded in death by his first wife Rita O'Quinn Dudley in 1991, and by a daughter Mrs. Frances Dudley Meyer in 2004.

Editor's Note: Mr. Dudley descends in the following manner:
 Littleberry Bondurant and Mary Scott of VA were parents of:
 James Scott Bondurant, born 19 April 1803 Bedford Co., VA, died there 19 Nov. 1880, buried in Longwood Cemetery, Bedford, VA. His 1st wife was Celia Davenport, mother of:
 John Parnell Bondurant [I], "Captain Jack", born 12 June 1832, Bedford Co., VA, died 1 Nov. 1892 Augusta, Richmond Co., GA., married 28 Jan. 1852 his 1st wife Mary Burton (May) Logwood, born 29 Oct. 1830, Bedford, VA, died 1 Aug. 1864, Bedford, VA.
 Their son was Charles Scott Bondurant, born 31 Aug. 1861 Lynchburg, Campbell Co., VA, died 8 June 1926 at Jacksonville, FL. He married 13 Oct. 1890 Thomasville, Thomas Co., GA, Rosa Williams Palmer, born Monticello, FL, died Jacksonville, FL, daughter of Joseph Palmer and Julia Womack.
 Charles and Rosa's daughter Mary Burton Bondurant, who died 1982, married Martin Givhan Dudley in Valdosta, GA. He was born 28 Aug. 1887 Clanton, AL, died 1971.

Their son Charles Bondurant Dudley was born 16 Aug. 1919 in Greenwood, MS., married 16 May 1945 Greenville, SC, to his first wife Rita O'Quinn Dudley who died 1991. Four children: Bonnie, Ann, Frances, and Martin G. Dudley.

CARLYLE P. STALLINGS, World War II Vet, Dies December 22 [2007]

Carlyle P. Stallings, 92, of Buckingham, [VA], died peacefully at his home on Saturday, December 22, 2007.

A World War II veteran who worked as an economic analyst for the U.S. Department of Labor in Washington, DC, for most of his long Civil Service career, he also served his country on overseas assignments to Iran, Panama, and Thailand. Buckingham, to which he retired in 1973, was the hometown of his wife of 52 years, **Frances Barrell Stallings**. During retirement he made many contributions to the community, including volunteer service for the county rescue squad, and public library. A quiet, gentle man, he loved nature and was loved by all who knew him. A son Alden, and a daughter Jean, and a granddaughter Jessica survive him. The funeral service was at Maysville Presbyterian Church in Buckingham.

Editor's Note: Ruby T. Smith gave the following ancestry for Mr. Stallings.

FIRST GENERATION

COL. THOMAS MOSELEY BONDURANT's daughter ANGELINA JUDITH BONDURANT was born 12 Aug. 1831, Buckingham Co., VA, died 30 Jan. 1906 there, and buried in the family cemetery at "Variety Shade." She married Dr. William Paxton Hall, Sr., son of Alexander S. Hall and Jane S. Paxton, in 1850. William was born at "Berry Hill," Augusta Co., VA, before 1830, and died before 1900, buried at "Variety Shade." Their children:

- 1 Judge Alexander Stuart Hall, born 26 July 1852, died 13 Feb. 1932
- 2 Thomas Bondurant Hall, Sr., born 1853, died 1911
- 3 Louise Jean Bondurant (Lula) Hall, born about 1860 Buckingham Co., who is said to have died the day before her wedding, and was buried in her wedding dress.
- 4 William Paxton Hall, Jr., born about 1864.

SECOND GENERATION

JUDGE ALEXANDER STUART HALL, born at "Perry Hill" in Buckingham Co., VA, 26 July 1852, died 13 Feb. 1932 at "Afton," Buckingham Co., and buried in the cemetery at "Solitude," Buckingham Co.

He married 1st Frances Lightfoot (Fannie) Anderson, daughter of Robert Carrington Anderson and Frances Parke (Fannie) Poindexter. Fanny Anderson was born 5 Feb. 1853, died 15 June 1882, and was buried at "Variety Shade." Their children:

- 1 Robert Anderson Hall, born 1 Jan. 1878, died 7 Nov. 1948
- 2 Frances Stuart Hall, born April 1880, died 9 Feb. 1966
- 3 Jean Lightfoot Hall, born May 1882 Buckingham Co., died 29 March 1971, Dunn Loring, VA, buried in Buckingham Community Cemetery, Buckingham Co., VA.

Judge Alexander Stuart Hall married 2nd Mildred Merry (Minnie) Ellis, daughter of Richard Shelton Ellis, Sr. and Ann Frances (Nannie) Perkins, on 18 Feb. 1908. Minnie was born 9 Sept. 1854 at "Afton," Buckingham Co., and died there 8 Feb. 1936. She was buried in "Solitude," Buckingham Co. No children of this marriage.

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THOMAS BONDURANT HALL, born 1853, died 1811, married Nannie Newman Ellis. She was born in 1846, died 1922, and buried at the Maysville Presbyterian Church Cemetery. Their children were:

- 1 Roberta Ellis Hall, born about 1877 Amherst Co., VA, married J. Burton Nowlin
- 2 Nannie P. Hall, born May 1880
- 3 Lula Hall, born about 1882
- 4 Charles E. Hall, born about 1889
- 5 Thomas Bondurant Hall, Jr., born about 1891.

THIRD GENERATION

ROBERT ANDERSON HALL, died and buried at "Perry Hill," Buckingham Co., VA, married Pocahontas Bolling Gantt, daughter of Thomas Perkins Gantt and Elizabeth Rose (Lizzie) Scott, in 1905. Pocahontas was born 3 Nov. 1876 in Nelson Co., VA, and died 14 July 1957 at "Perry Hill." Their children:

- 1 Pocahontas Scott Hall, born 13 July 1907 Buckingham Co., VA, died 2 Jan. 1960. She married James Sinclair Brown, son of J. Sinclair Brown and Jane Johnson, 12 March 1934 at "Perry Hill." James was born about 1909 at Salem, VA.
- 2 Frances Anderson (Fannie) Hall, born about 1909
- 3 Alexander Stuart Hall, born 10 Sept. 1912, died 20 Aug. 2005
- 4 Elizabeth Perkins Hall, born 25 Feb. 1917, died 24 June 1968
- 5 unknown daughter Hall married Richard Stroud
- 6 unknown daughter Hall married Edgar Donegan.

FRANCES STUART (Fannie) HALL, born April 1880, died 9 Feb. 1966 in Charlottesville, VA, buried "Variety Shade." She married Rev. Charles Martin Barrell in 1908. Charles was born 1870 in Maine, died 15 May 1940, buried "Variety Shade." Their children:

- 1 Dr. Charles Alden Barrell, born 21 March 1909, died 14 Jan. 1992
- 2 **Frances A. Barrell, wife of the decedent**, was born about 1911.
- 3 Alexander Stuart Barrell, born 1913, died 1914, buried "Variety Shade."
- 4 Stuart H. Barrell, born about 1914
- 5 Herbert G. Barrell, born about 1916
- 6 Dr. Robert P. Barrell, born about 1918.

CHARLES E. HALL, born about 1889, married Edith C. Dolan, born about 1898. They had one daughter, name unknown, born 11 July 1916, Buckingham Co., VA.

THOMAS BONDURANT HALL, JR. married Ruth Page Swoope, daughter of Dr. William McDowell Swoope, Sr., and Ann Elizabeth (Bettie) McCraw, 2 Sept. 1913 in Maysville Presbyterian Church. Ruth was born 26 May 1885 at "Allendale," Buckingham Co. Their children:

- 1 Elizabeth Swope Hall, born 17 Aug. 1914, died 1 March 1945, buried at Salem Methodist Church, Buckingham Co., VA. She married Cleveland Owen Forbes III, son of Cleveland Owen Forbes, Jr., and Agnes Ruth Shepard, on 28 Feb. 1942 in Buckingham Co. Cleveland III was born 18 Nov. 1918, died 25 Dec. 1947, buried at Salem Methodist Church.
- 2 Ruth Ellis Hall, born 3 July 1917, died 28 January 1965.

- 3 Thomas Bondurant Hall III, born about 1922
 4 Charles McDowell Hall, born about 1922.

FOURTH GENERATION

ALEXANDER STUART HALL, born 10 Sept. 1912 at "Perry Hill," died 20 Aug. 2005 in Westminster-Canterbury, Richmond, VA, buried "Perry Hill," Buckingham Co. He married Russwyn Otis and had one child, Russwin Stuart Hall.

ELIZABETH PERKINS HALL, born 25 Feb. 1917, died 24 June 1968, Washington, DC, buried "Perry Hill." She married 1st Joaquim Pasqual, and 2nd Dr. John Clendenning. No children.

DONALD ARTHUR MICHAEL WAGNER, 61, died unexpectedly 14 Jan. 2008 in Surry, VA. Born in Chicago IL, he was the son of the late Nicholas Wagner and Betty Jean Wilson. He was a U.S. Navy veteran of Vietnam, and was a two-time recipient of the Purple Heart. He retired in 1989 after a 25 year career. There will be a Navy burial at sea.

Survivors include his wife of 15 years, Janie Anderson Wagner. His children, Jeffrey J. O'Brien of San Diego, CA, and Wayne, Larry, Sean (wife Terri), Samantha (husband Joe), Terri, and Sherri (husband Ramon), all of Florida. His three brothers are John Wagner (wife Teresa) of Kennesaw, GA, Ronald Wagner (wife Penny) of Warner Robins, GA, and Thomas (wife Linda) of Thomasville, GA. Also former wife Bonnie Wagner, and stepchildren Lisa and Nancy Anderson of Huntington WV, Jennifer Anderson of Louisville, KY, Tim Anderson (wife Sandy) of Orlando, FL, 17 grandchildren, 4 great grandchildren, 7 step grandchildren, one step-great granddaughter.

Editor's Note: Donald's line of descent from Jean Pierre is as follows:

Dr. Joseph Bondurant, Sr. and Agnes Radford, whose son was Joseph Bondurant, Jr. and Mary Elizabeth (Betty) Davis, whose daughter was Mary M. (Polly) Bondurant who married Joshua A. Flood. Their son was Rev. Noah Flood and Levisa Jane Ayres, whose son was George Edward Flood and Nannie Rachel Martin, whose daughter was Elvira Eugenia (Jean) Flood and George Wilcox Wilson, whose daughter was Betty Jean Wilson, mother of the deceased.

Mme. **ODETTE GOULON-SIGWALT**, widow of M. Edouard Goulon-Sigwalt, of Paris, France, died 3 Jan. 2008 at the age of 86, survived by four sons. She was a talented organist. Her late husband, Edouard Goulon-Sigwalt, did extensive research on our Bondurant and Barjon ancestors among French records. Her sister-in-law Marielle Bondurant gave us notice of Mme. Goulon-Sigwalt's death.

MR. WALDON, husband of member Carolyn Knauff Waldon, died 4 March 2008.

NEW MEMBERS:

Mrs. Jean Bondurant Keese, 325 Carolyn Dr., Harahan, LA 70123, 504/737-9563 *

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*Gifts of Wayne Bondurant to his two sisters

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AN INTERESTING ARTICLE ON BOB BONDURANT

Thanks to Warren Lanier we received a copy of "Revs. Living the Automotive Lifestyle" by Larry Edsall, from the 11 February 2008 issue of *AUTOWEEK*.

"The Teacher. Thousands have learned to drive the Bob Bondurant way" tells of Bob's recovery from a near fatal accident, and how he turned his life around, to become "the dean of all driving instructors." It's an inspiring, true story.

EUGENE BONDURANT SLEDGE

Mr. Edward Bondurant, e-mail ed_bondo@comcast.net, wrote: "I just finished a book by Eugene Bondurant Sledge, *With the Old Breed on Peleilu and Okinawa*, which describes his battle experiences in the Marines. Mr. Sledge was also featured in Ken Burns' World War II documentary 'The War.'" Does anyone know Mr. Sledge's Bondurant connection?

ANOTHER LINEAGE FROM JOHN, SR. AND SARAH RACHEL TAYLOR

New member Jack Lloyd Williams, 53 E. Shasta St., Chula Vista, CA 91910-6127, sent his lineage, which joins several others among the recently deceased.

John and Sarah's son, Rev. Thomas Bondurant (abt. 1744 - 5 Oct. 1829) married Rhoda Agee, and had son:

Noah Anthony (18 June 1781 - 14 Dec. 1856) who married Martha Chastain 18 Sept. 1807 in Buckingham Co., VA. Their son was:

Edward Jackson (8 Dec. 1817 - 3 Sept. 1892) who married Keziah Monroe McGee or Magee.

Their son was:

John Mathew (16 Sept. 1840 - 5 April 1896) who married Matilda A. Chambers. Their daughter was:

Frances Ellen (18 Sept. 1864 - 23 April 1912) who married William Marion Williams and had a son:

Leo Lloyd Williams (10 Oct. 1890 - 29 June 1936) who married Ethel Agnes Van Gelder about 1919. Their son was:

Harold Lloyd Williams, who married Almedia Marie Williams, and were the parents of two sons: Robert Thomas, and Jack Lloyd (our new member).

TWO CENTENARIANS RENEW THE LOVE OF THEIR YOUTH.

Bismark Daily Tribune, ND, 20 April 1907 (another gem from Clint)

“St. Louis, April 19. The announcement was made today that on Aug. 26 next, JOHN B. BUNDREN who on April 1, was 101 years old, will be united in marriage to Miss Rose McGuire, who is almost 100 years old. The wedding will take place on Mr. Bundren’s estate near Tatesville, TN. He has been visiting relatives in St. Louis for the past several weeks and has just returned to TN.

Bundren and Miss McGuire were sweethearts in TN in their youth. Her parents of English descent would not consent to their marriage and finally returned to England, taking their daughter with them. Bundren went to CA and acquired considerable wealth. He never married. From CA he returned to TN and bought his birthplace near Tatesville.

He decided to hold a reunion of old friends on his estate this year and sent out numerous invitations. Not long ago he received a letter from Miss McGuire. Correspondence followed and he renewed his offer of marriage and was accepted.

The date of the wedding and reunion of old friends has been set for August 26 [1907] on the bride’s birthday anniversary, when she will be 100 years old. Bundren has long white hair and a flowing white beard. In June [1907] he will go to Preston, Lancashire, England, to escort his intended bride to TN. John B. Bundren of St. Louis, a namesake, will be the best man.”

Did they live long enough to make it to the altar?

DESCENDANTS OF DRURY BONDURANT

By Mrs. Virginia Wegenast, 8121 - 52nd Ave. W, Mukilteo, WA 98275-2633

Parentage of Drury is suggested as Richard Bondurant and Cecelia Hall, according to a RootsWeb submission. Contemporary proof of Drury’s ancestry has not yet been found.

Additions to this lineage have been contributed by Mrs. Ruby T. Smith appear at the foot of Mrs. Wegenast’s submission.

FIRST GENERATION

DRURY BONDURANT, born 1773, married an unknown woman, and had a large family. Their children:

- 1 Levenia, born about 1791 VA, died 1838 Jackson Co., OH.
- 2 Jane, born 1791
- 3 Thomas Benton born 1804
- 4 Joel born 1806
- 5 Joseph born 1812-1814
- 6 John born 1813

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7 Nancy

8 Ann [possibly Ann and Nancy are the same person]

SECOND GENERATION

LEVENIA BONDURANT, daughter of Drury, married Daniel H. Long, born in Ridgefield, PA. Date of marriage is not known. Their child: Lucy Long.

THIRD GENERATION

LUCY LONG born 4 Oct. 1827 in Athens, OH, died 1 July 1916 in Palmer, Washington Co, KS, and was buried in the Palmer City Cemetery.

Lucy married 1st Lewis Lawrence Hartley, Jr., son of Lewis Lawrence Hartley, Sr. and Harriet ?, 5 Sept. 1844 in Jackson, OH. Lewis, Jr. was born 1824 OH, died 21 Sept. 1850 in Berlin Crossroads, Jackson Co., OH at the age of 26. They were parents of five children:

1 Daniel Hartley, born 1845 Jackson Co., OH

2 Levenia Alice Hartley, born 31 Dec. 1846, Berlin Crossroads, OH

3 Harriet Hartley, born 1848, Berlin Crossroads, OH, married Mr. Peck

4 Minnie Merniva [Minerva?] Hartley, born 21 Oct. 1850 Berlin Crossroads, OH, died 20 Sept. 1933, Haigler, Dundy Co., NE, buried in Haddam, Washington Co., KS. She married Mr. Whitney.

5 Miranda Hartley married Mr. Glaze.

The widow Lucy Long Hartley married 2nd Abel Huddleston 10 Oct. 1855. Abel was born 27 Oct. 1812 in VA, died 11 Dec. 1902 in Palmer, Washington Co., KS, buried Palmer City Cemetery. There were no children of this marriage.

FOURTH GENERATION

LEVENIA ALICE HARTLEY, died 19 Sept. 1921 Washington, KS, was buried in Palmer City Cemetery, Palmer, KS. On 18 July 1865 in Scioto Co., OH, Levenia married Charles Dyer Potter, son of James H. Potter and Mary Miles. Charles was born 4 Feb. 1841 in Bennington Co., VT, died 7 Jan. 1895 in Palmer, KS, buried in Palmer City Cemetery.

Charles served in Company A, 53rd Ohio Infantry, 15th Army Corps, GAR, enlisting 19 Sept. 1862, and was discharged 29 May 1865 near Washington.

Children of Levenia and Charles Potter were:

1 William Potter born 16 March 1866 Palmer, KS, died in childhood and buried Palmer, KS

2 Elmer Clarence Potter, born 17 May 1867 Scioto, OH, died 11 May 1899, Palmer, KS, buried there.

3 Charles H. Potter, born 22 Sept. 1869, died before adulthood.

4 Minnie J. Potter, born 5 March 1871 Palmer, KS, died 10 Dec. 1959 in Kensington, Montgomery Co., MD. buried in Washington City Cemetery, Washington, KS.

5 Frank Truman Potter, born 5 July 1872 Palmer, KS, died 12 Feb. 1942, Clay Center, KS, buried Palmer, KS

6 Walter Edwin Potter, born 22 Feb. 1874, Palmer, KS, died 6 Jan. 1953, Fort Collins, CO, buried in Haddam, KS

7 Royal T. Potter, born 25 April 1876 Palmer, KS, died 26 Feb. 1877 there, buried Palmer,

KS

- 8 Hattie Louise Potter, born 27 Dec. 1877 Palmer, KS, died 31 Jan. 1963 in Palmer, buried there.
- 9 Charles L. Potter, born 17 March 1879 Haddam, KS, died 18 Sept. 1950, Clyde, Cloud Co., KS.
- 10 Authur [sic] G. Potter, born 28 Aug. 1880, Palmer, KS.

FIFTH GENERATION

ELMER CLARENCE POTTER married Nora Agnes Pearson. She was born 7 Jan. 1872 in Hamilton, Marion Co., IA, died 13 April 1969 Heber Springs, Cleburne Co., AR, buried there.

Their children:

- 1 Clarence Potter born 1892, died 1951
- 2 Leona Potter, born 22 Jan. 1893, died 15 Jan. 1971, Santa Monica, Los Angeles Co., CA, buried in Woodland Cemetery, Santa Monica, CA.
- 3 Lavina Alice Potter, born 29 Dec. 1895 in Farmington, Atchison Co., KS, died 4 May 1992 in Linn, KS, buried in Palmer, KS.
- 4 Oral Marie Potter, born 29 Aug. 1899, Palmer, KS, died Oct. 1984, Clay Center, KS, buried in Parallel Cemetery, Washington Co., KS.

MINNIE J. POTTER married James Lower, born 30 July 1860, died 30 Jan. 1939. One child: Edna Lower born 22 Feb. 1891, died 8 Dec. 1867

FRANK TRUMAN POTTER married Alice Wharton. Alice was born 3 Oct. 1874 Palmer, KS, died 18 April 1960 Concordia, KS, buried in Palmer, KS.

WALTER EDWIN POTTER married Christena Thomson Whittet, daughter of Robert Whittet and Nicoll Betsey (Bessie) Thomson, 3 June 1908 in Haddam, KS. Christena was born 23 March 1884, Washington, KS, died 6 Dec. 1967 in Fort Collins, CO, buried Haddam, KS. Children:

- 1 stillborn infant, 1917, buried Haddam Cemetery, KS
- 2 Berneice [sic] Elnora Potter, born 14 April 1910 Haddam, KS, died 11 Jan. 1911, buried Haddam Cemetery.
- 3 Arlo Newell (Snoot) Potter, born 6 January 1912 Haddam, KS, died 21 Dec. 1994 Fort Collins, CO, buried there.

HATTIE LOUISE POTTER married Clarence Sheets. He was born in 1872, died 1952. Their children:

- 1 Minnie Sheets, born 2 Dec. 1899
- 2 Jessie Sheets born 28 April 1904
- 3 Dorothy Sheets, born 23 Feb. 1912
- 4 Elmer Charles Sheets, born 26 Aug. 1916

CHARLES L. POTTER married Aura M. [surname unknown]. She was born 24 Feb. 1879, died 20 July 1966. One child: Marvel Potter born 19 April 1901, died 28 Sept. 1969.

AUTHUR G. POTTER, and wife [name unknown] had two children:

- 1 William Potter, born 3 April 1903
- 2 Arthur Potter, born 15 Aug. [year unknown]

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SIXTH GENERATION

CLARENCE POTTER married 1st Lula Roches, divorced. Two children:

1. Harold Potter
2. Doris Potter

Clarence Potter married 2nd Maude Lowe, no children.

LEONA POTTER married 1st Fred Dowd, divorced. Two children:

1. Elmer Dowd
2. Wayne Dowd, who died about 1961

Leona married 2nd Charles Bishop. No children.

LAVINA ALICE POTTER married 1st Clarence Thompson in 1913, Topeka, KS, divorced.
Their children:

1. Marguerite Thompson married Anthony Kieffer
2. Bernita Thompson married Henry Reinert
3. Ruth Mildred Thompson married Mr. Debauche
4. Clarence Eugene Thompson, born in Palmer, KS, married Donna [surname unknown]

Lavina married 2nd James T. King in Lebo, Coffey Co., KS. He died in 1951.

ORAL MARIE POTTER married Elmer Thompson, and had one child: Charles Stanley
Thompson, stillborn, buried Parallel Cemetery, Washington Co., KS.

ARLO NEWELL (Snoot) POTTER married Hazel Jeanette Strom, daughter of Oscar Hans Strom
and Tilla Hjertina (Tillie) Brun, 11 Oct. 1941 Moorhead, Clay Co., MN. Hazel was born 24 April
1921 Mayville, Traill Co., ND. Their children:

1. Virginia Joy (Ginny) Potter, born 31 Jan. 1940, Mayville, ND
2. Barbara Carol Potter, born 5 July 1942, Haddam, KS.

MINNIE SHEETS married Mr. Black, and had one child: Darlyne Black, born 15 April 1933

JESSIE SHEETS married Mr. Mullen, and had children:

1. Harold Mullen, born 1924, died 10 March 1945
2. Lloyd Mullen, born 31 Oct. 1925
3. Dorothy Lou Mullen, born 11 Oct. [year unknown]
4. Donnice Mullen, born 23 July 1939

DOROTHY SHEETS married Mr. Ross, and had one child: Donald Ross, born 6 Sept. 1941

MARVEL POTTER married Mr. Lemaster

WILLIAM POTTER married and had one child: Vena Potter, born 13 Aug. [year unknown]

ARTHUR POTTER married and had two children:

- 1 Cedil [sic] Potter
- 2 Unknown Potter

SEVENTH GENERATION

VIRGINIA JOY (Ginny) POTTER married Dennis Adolph Wegenast, son of Adolph Wegenast and Roberta Iris Dunsdon, 29 Dec. 1961 in Fargo, ND. Dennis was born 31 Aug. 1934 in Edgeley, ND. Their children:

- 1 Kelly Jeanette Wegenast, born 31 Oct. 1962, Murray, Salt Lake Co., UT
- 2 Lori Denise Wegenast, born 25 Feb. 1964, El Paso, TX
- 3 Daniel A. Wegenast, born 23 May 1968, Spokane, WA.

BARBARA CAROL POTTER married Joel Bernhard Sigdestad II, son of Joel Bernhard Sigdestad and Clarice Almira Distad, 5 April 1963, Moorhead, MN. Joel was born 29 Oct. 1942, Fargo, ND. Their children:

- 1 Kristen Noel Sigdestad, born 9 Oct. 1964, Fargo, ND
- 2 Joel Bernhard Sigdestad III, born 6 April 1966, Minneapolis, MN
- 3 Karin Ann Sigdestad, born 9 Feb. 1969, Dallas, Tx.

EIGHTH GENERATION

KELLY JEANETTE WEGENAST married 1st Walter Scott Eisner, divorced, son of Michael D. Eisner and Winona M. Wolf, 21 April 1984 in Everett, WA. Walter was born 22 Oct. 1961 in Oak Harbor, WA. One child: Denise Joy (Dee Dee) Eisner, born 6 Oct. 1985, Everett, WA, adopted by Alan Lee Christman 1988 in Everett, WA, becoming Denise Joy Christman.

Kelly J. Wegenast Eisner married 2nd Alan Lee Christman, divorced, son of Albert Leroy Christman and Ruth Elizabeth Heilner, 30 Aug. 1987, Mulkielto, WA. Alan was born 27 Aug. 1956 in Inglewood, Los Angeles Co., CA.

LORI DENISE WEGENAST married Se'an Roy Osburn, son of Jimmie Leroy Osburn and Beverly Jean Dinger, 23 June 1984 Everett, WA. Se'an was born 22 Oct. 1959 in Seattle, WA. Their children:

- 1 Nicole Erin Osburn, born 28 Sept. 1985, Everett, WA, married Donald Kindle, son of Murl L. Kindle and Bonnie L. O'Brien. Donald was born 29 March 1982, Everett, WA
- 2 Brendan Adam Osburn, born 16 April 1988, Everett, WA.
- 3 Kyle Andrew Osborn, born 13 Feb. 1992, Everett, WA
- 4 Cody Alexander Osburn, born 20 May 1999, Everett, WA.

DANIEL A. WEGENAST married Sharon Ann Costello, daughter of Roland Vincent Costello and Patricia Sue Anderson, 7 July 1990 in Everett, WA. Sharon was born 9 Sept. 1969, Seattle, WA. Their children:

- 1 Jakob Haaken Wegenast, born 20 Sept. 1995, Everett, WA
- 2 Anna Grace Wegenast, born 4 May 2000, Everett, WA.

KRISTEN NOEL SIGDESTAD married Michael Craig Saathoff, 1 July 1989 in Aurora, CO. Michael was born 4 Nov. 1964 in Honolulu, HI. Their children:

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- 1 Karyn Synneve Saathoff, born 28 Jan. 1994, San Antonio, TX
- 2 Kalie Noelle Saathoff, born 28 Jan. 1994, San Antonio, TX [twins]
- 3 Anna Clarice Saathoff, born 11 Dec. 2002, Pueblo, CO.

JOEL BERNHARD SIGDESTAD III married Christina Anne Zogorski, 9 Sept. 1995, Denver, CO. Cristina was born 26 March 1968, Trenton, NJ. Their children:

- 1 Allison Marie Sigdestad, born 28 June 1998, Denver, CO
- 2 Thomas Joel Sigdestad, born 24 Dec. 2000, Denver, CO.

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Additions to the children of Drury Bondurant (1771-1840 Jackson Co., OH) from Ruby Smith.

SECOND GENERATION

THOMAS BENTON BONDURANT, born 20 Jan. 1804 VA, died 1875 Stockdale Pike, OH. He married Mary (Polly) Post, born 14 July 1812 NY, died 1 Jan. 1892, Stockdale Pike, OH. Their children:

- 1 Horatio S., Born 30 April 1832 OH, died 12 March 1857
- 2 Salena, born 20 Oct. 1832 [sic - 1833?], died 19 Feb. 1913
- 3 Joel, born 25 Oct. 1835, died 5 Sept. 1918
- 4 Benton Post, born 1 Oct. 1838, died 19 July 1893
- 5 Daniel L., born 11 April 1841, died 1919
- 6 Silas Allen, born 9 Sept. 1843, Middleton, Butler Co., OH, died 4 April 1922, Salida, Chafee Co., CO. He married Ruby Jean Bennett, 8 April 1868 in Scioto Co., OH. Ruby was born 27 July 1846 in Boone Co., KY, died 2 Aug. 1924 in Salida, CO.
- 7 Alvira Lydia, born 16 Nov. 1845, OH, died 25 March 1891.
- 8 Electa B., born 2 Jan. 1849, OH, died 3 Sept. 1865, Amanda, OH.
- 9 John W., born 2 Sept. 1847, OH.
- 10 Frances Amanda, born 9 Sept. 1851, OH, died 16 June 1936, married Will Sharpe on 20 March 1879.

JOSEPH BONDURANT, born in NC, married Julianne Burtholf, born in NY. Their children:

- 1 Isham H., born 9 May 1836, died 5 July 1920
- 2 Elizabeth B., born about 1839
- 3 Lucy, born about 1840
- 4 Milton, born about 1844
- 5 Mary A., born about 1846
- 6 Thomas, born about 1848.

ELIZABETH BONDURANT married William Burriss 16 March 1826 in Gallia Co., OH.

THIRD GENERATION

SALENA BONDURANT, born OH, died Portsmouth, OH, married Vincent L. Kent, 18 April 1857. Their children:

- 1 Lewis Kent married Louedda Ashbaugh
- 2 William Sanford Kent married Euna Amy Bennett
- 3 Mary S. Kent born 1857, died 1902
- 4 Sara L. Kent, born 1861, died 1889.

JOEL BONDURANT, born OH, died Los Angeles, CA. He married Lucy [surname unknown] 17 Aug. 1858. She was born about 1833 OH. Their children:

- 1 Mary A., born about 1861
- 2 Corilla C., born about 1862 OH
- 3 Silas M., born about 1864 OH
- 4 Charles N., born about 1866 OH
- 5 Willard H. born about 1868.

BENTON POST BONDURANT, born Middleton, Butler Co., OH, died Ness City, KS. He married Lydia (Leddie) Mead, 8 April 1860 in Scioto Co., OH. She was born July 1834, died Aug. 1917. Their children:

- 1 Daniel E., born about 1863
- 2 John Allen, born Nov. 1863
- 3 Mary E., born about 1866
- 4 William H., born about 1867
- 5 Thomas E., born about 1869
- 6 George, born about 1875
- 7 Rachel, born about 1879.

DANIEL L. BONDURANT, born in Middleton, Butler Co., OH, died 1919 in Huntington Park, CA. He married Grace Bernadine Degear, 3 April 1867 in Algiers, Orleans Parish, LA. Grace was born about 1851 in LA. Their children:

- 1 Grace Bernadine, born about 1869, married 1st Jess Hewitt, 2nd Bert Wilcox, 3rd Al Baker.
- 2 Elise Alvira (Allie), born about 1871 OH
- 3 Clarence Arthur, born 5 Jan. 1877, Sedan, OH, died 16 April 1948, Garden Grove, CA. He married Ella Clark.
- 4 Henry Albert, born 22 June 1879, Sedan, OH, died 29 Nov. 1969, Indio, CA
- 5 Lillian Adaline, born about 1882
- 6 Gertrude Electa, born about 1885 KS, died 1933 in Hollywood, CA, married Arthur Joseph Bennett.
- 7 Laura Parker, married William Combie
- 8 Mary Catherine, married Emile Bamms.

ISHAM H. BONDURANT, born 1836 OH, died Cleburne Co., AL, 5 July 1920. Buried Upper Cane Creek Congregational Methodist Cemetery, Cleburne Co., AL. He married America Grounds, daughter of John Grounds and Melissa Jane Lee, 28 May 1857 in Jackson Co., OH.

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America was born 25 Feb. 1840, Hanging Rock, Lawrence Co., OH, died 5 Jan. 1927 in Cleburn Co., AL, buried Upper Cane Creek Cem. Their children:

- 1 John W., born about 1858, died before 1910
- 2 Alice, born about 1864, married Evan Jones 29 Oct. 1885 Gallia Co., OH
- 3 Norma, born about 1868.

FOURTH GENERATION

MARY A. BONDURANT, born about 1861 OH, married E.W. Fisher, and had one child: Rilla Fisher.

WILLARD H. BONDURANT, born about 1868 OH, married Luena [surname unknown], born about 1875 AR. Their children:

- 1 Millie M., born about 1896 AZ
- 2 Carol L., born about 1898 AZ
- 3 Romea W., born about 1903 CA.

DANIEL E. BONDURANT, born about 1863 OH, married Ollie [surname unknown], born about 1872 IA. Their children:

- 1 Chester Dean, born 6 July 1895, Ness City, KS
- 2 Fayne, born about 1897
- 3 Reita M., born about 1901 KS.

JOHN ALLEN BONDURANT, born Nov. 1863 OH, married Rose [surname unknown], born Feb. 1869 OH. Their children:

- 1 Guy, born 21 April 1887, died 18 April 1968
- 2 Alma, born Feb. 1889 KS
- 3 Rev. Henry B., born 23 April 1891
- 4 Vernon, born Nov. 1894
- 5 Sybil, born Aug. 1896
- 6 Dewey [may be Davie] W., born July 1888.

THOMAS E. BONDURANT, born about 1869 OH, married Florence B. [surname unknown], born about 1886 KS. Their children:

- 1 Lois M., born about 1907
- 2 Valdah M., born about 1910
- 3 Doris M., born about 1920.

JOHN W. BONDURANT, born about 1858, died before 1910, married Mary A. Seel, daughter of Peter Seel, 3 July 1880. Mary was born 24 July 1854. Their children:

- 1 Albert, born 29 Aug. 1882, died 7 Aug. 1947
- 2 Maude, born about 1886.

NORMA BONDURANT, born about 1868, married Henry Waugh, 8 May 1883, Gallia Co., OH. Their child, Samantha Waugh, born 4 Aug. 1884, died June 1978 in Gadsden, AL.

FIFTH GENERATION

GUY BONDURANT married Nona Woolard 3 Oct. 1907. Nona was born 26 April 1889, died 31 July 1976. Their children:

- 1 Mabel M., born about 1910, married Mr. Schaben
- 2 Laurel G., born about 1912
- 3 Clarence Everett, born about 1914
- 4 Charles Theadore (Ted), born about 1919
- 5 Opal, married Mr. Trauer.

REV. HENRY B. BONDURANT, married Edna C. [surname unknown], born about 1901 KS. One child: Naomi E., born about 1928.

ALBERT BONDURANT married Dottie Leona Fargo, born 8 Nov. 1887 Eden, OH. One child: Helen G., married Roy Francis Corrigan.

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