A BRIEF SKETCH

of the

STEWART FAMILY

of Crane's Creek

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PREFACE

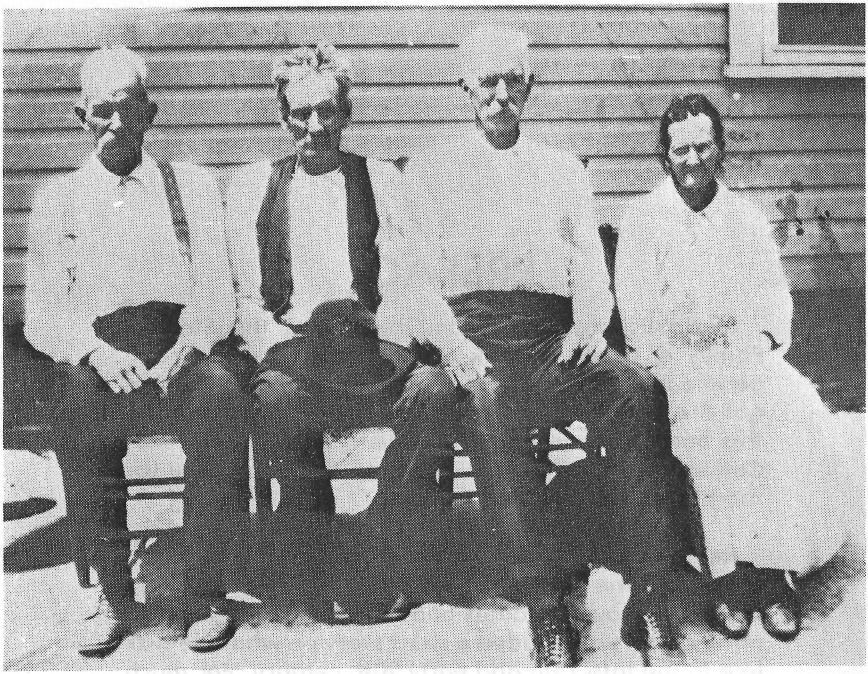
In Publishing this second history of the Stewart Family of Crane's Creek the efforts of a good many people have gone into it. Ruth Johnson and Cliff Blue got the effort underway. Much of the information in this book came from the first history printed in 1968. Catherene Blue Robeson typed up the genealogy for the printers.

Realizing that many of the younger generation never saw the Stewart Home Place, or knew anything about the way the James and Christian Smith Stewart family lived we included a short story on what life was like in the late 19th and early 20th century. For much of this we are indebted to Fannie Stewart McFadyen.

We included as many family pictures as we could get and hope it will make this edition more enjoyable.

In compiling this history we are sure we made mistakes and overlooked some things we should have included. Maybe it will inspire some of our kin to spend more time, do a better job, and publish a third edition.

MALCOLM N. BLUE



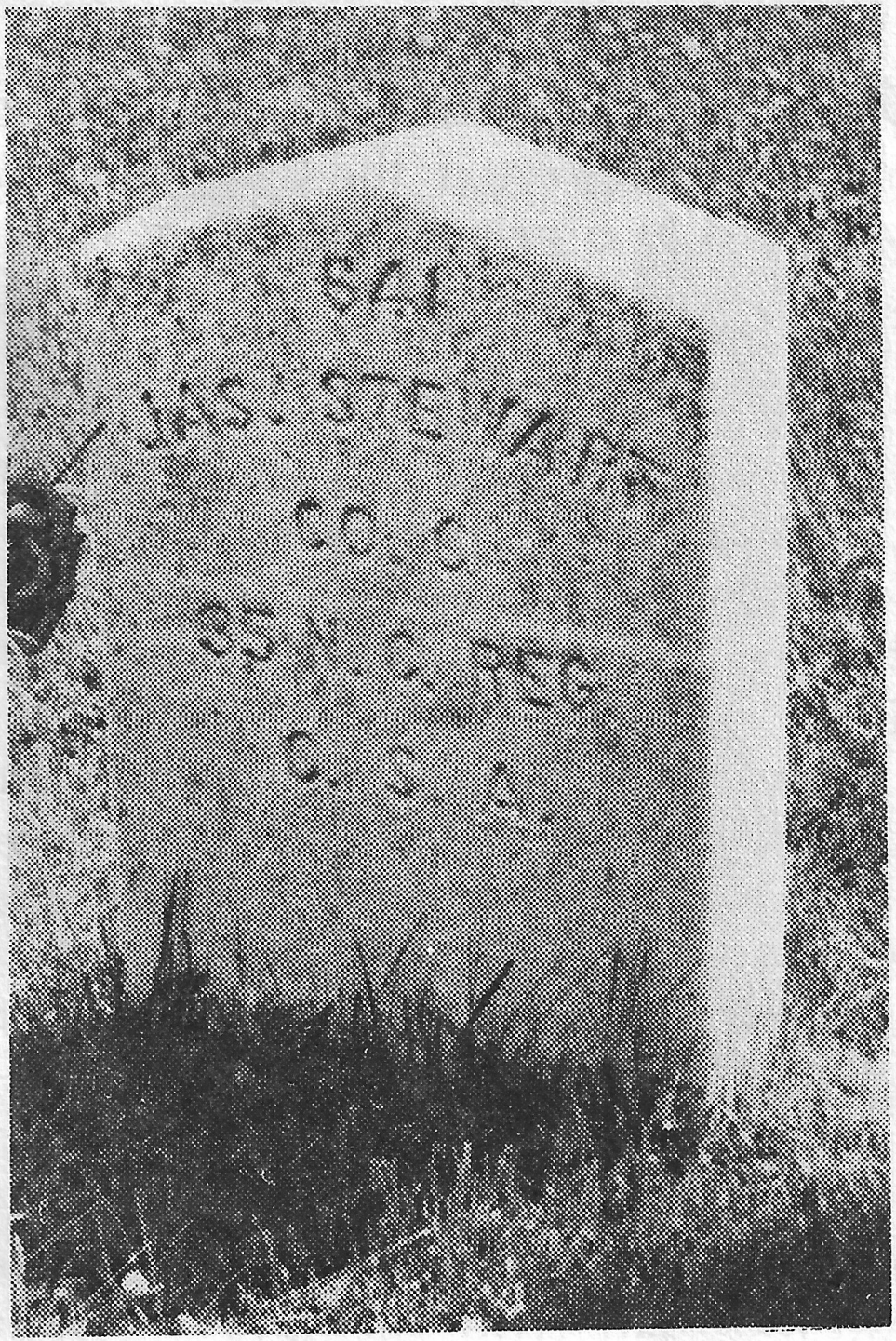
Neill, Andrew, Bill and Mag Stewart.



Morrison Girls — Betty Wicker, Caroline Gilchrist, Sarah Stewart and Kelly Stewart.



The Neill Stewart children — Chris, Sally, Fannie, Hugh, Henry and John Dunk.



James Stewart's Grave in Elmira, N.Y.

The Stewarts

According to information gleaned from Encyclopedia Britannica, Stewart is the surname of a family which inherited the Scottish and ultimately the English crown.

Their descent is traced to a Breton immigrant, Alan the son of Flaald. Flaald's brother Alan was steward of Dol in Brittany.

The elder Alan's name appeared on documents in Brittany before the year 1080. He went on crusade in 1097 and was apparently succeeded by Flaald as steward. The younger Alan enjoyed the favor of the ruler Henry I and was given a barony.

The spelling of the royal family was changed to STUART by the ill fated "Mary, Queen of Scots."

Aside from the British crown, the Stewart name was widespread in Scotland and descendents are referred to in Appin, Argyllshire and other areas in the old country.

Immigration brought Stewarts and Stuarts to America as well as other parts of the British Empire in colonial days.

The Stewart name has been prominent in British and American history for centuries.

—JOHN M. BLUE

Cranes Creek Stewarts

In order to make the genealogy of the Stewarts a little more lifelike I will attempt to tell a little of our ancestors and how and where they lived.

The children of James A. Stewart and Christian Smith Stewart will be the characters in the story.

Although James Stewart was 33 years old when the war started and had six children, he served in the Confederate Army in the Civil War. He was captured by the Union Army and died in a prison at Elmira, N.Y., where he is buried.

THE PLACE

The Stewart home, before the Civil War, was on the west side of Cranes Creek, Cumberland County, now Moore, Little River township. During the Civil War Christian Stewart moved the family across the creek to be nearer her family, because the creek flooded in the winter and isolated them from her folks, the Smiths.

The old Stewart house was torn down in the early 1950s by Malcolm and Barney Blue. The garage at Malcolm's house is made from the timber in the old house. The floor in the storage part, is the floor from the old kitchen. The old homeplace is now in Woodlake. Most all the farm is flooded by the lake, but the old homeplace is called Stewart's Place, and is one of the most beautiful sites at Woodlake.

CIVIL WAR

The Civil War was a difficult time for everyone in the south and the Stewart family certainly suffered with the rest. With her husband dead

and six children, ranging from three to fourteen years old at the War's end, life was very difficult.

Tales of the hardship, fear of Union Soldiers and coping with the situation are very vivid. The soldier were said to pour out people's molasses, empty the cribs of corn, and plunder what they wanted, by the survivors of the era. Meals with only roasted potatoes to eat was another hardship of the times.

There are two stories that carry a little humor, or tell it like it was. Aunt Caroline Gilchrist (Morrison) told of boiling eggs and sewing them inside their dresses to keep them away from the Yankees. Andrew, who was 10 years old at war's end dug a hole and buried his marbles when the Yankee soldiers came through, then could not find them when they left.

THE PEOPLE

Christian Smith Stewart died in 1879 and two of her children, Daniel and Hughie, both died as young men.

Four of them, Neill, Andrew, William and Margaret lived to ripe old ages. Andrew and William married and had families, but there are no survivors. Margaret (Mag) never married, so Neill is the ancestor of us all.

ANDREW STEWART

Andrew Stewart married Margaret (Peg) Johnson and they had one son, Billy. Billy married Mary (Sis) McMillan and they had no children. Andrew lived in Harnett County, about a mile from Cypress Church. He was a hard working man, farming on a small scale and working in tar and turpentine. After suffering a heart attack late in life, he recovered and cut lightwood and made a tar kiln. Billy and "Sis" lived with his parents and both died there. They had no children.

WILLIAM STEWART

William "Bill" Stewart married Kelly Morrison and lived on the "Plank Road," now Highway 27, near Johnsonville. Bill farmed on the place he and Kelly inherited from Nelson Morrison. Bill and Kelly had three children, Lula, George and Bob. All three married, but had no children. Lula married three times, all her husbands died, and lived in various parts of Harnett County. Bob lived near his father and farmed. George had a farm on Cranes Creek not far from the Stewart homeplace.

NEILL STEWART

All of us are descendants of Neill Stewart and Sarah Morrison, cousin of Kelly, so we will look at them in more detail.

Neill Stewart was a good liver, who enjoyed company, inviting everyone that passed by to stop in and eat, or spend the night, sometimes his wife, Sarah, did not appreciate it, but that was the way things went.

SENSE OF HUMOR

Neill Stewart had the reputation of having a good sense of humor. One of the favorite stories of the community concerned a conversation bet-

ween "Big Alex Smith, a cousin and neighbor, and the preacher. They were having a disagreement about whether the moon was full the night before when Neill walked up. "Did you see the moon last night?" they asked him. Neill's reply was "At a distance."

BORN IN LOG CABIN

All the Neill Stewart children were born in a log house. As was the custom in those days the house and kitchen were separate, both of logs. The living quarters had a porch on the front, but was just one room inside. Curtains were hung to divide the house into "bedrooms." A stick and clay chimney was on one end of the house. The only window was an opening on one side of the fireplace, a wood shutter, not glass, so it was very dark inside. In the early 1900s a frame house was constructed. The log kitchen stood until the house was torn down in the 1950s.

WOMAN DIPPED ASHES

Grandpa raised a little tobacco that he air-dried and would then "twist" it before chewing. The ladies used tobacco also but they used it in a little different way. I remember Aunt Mag burning her hickory wood and bark, then mixing the ashes with tobacco and dipping it with her brush. Aunt Caroline Gilchrist and Aunt Bet Wicker "dipped" ashes, Grandma dipped snuff.

GOOD PLACE TO EAT

Using some of the memories from my mother's conversations and talking to Aunt Fannie gives a good story of life at the Neill Stewarts. Food is an important part of life, and from all reports "eating was good" at Neill Stewart's. Hogs, sheep and cattle were raised. Neill did a lot of hunting, squirrels and turkeys were plentiful in season. All sorts of vegetables were raised. Apples, peaches, and grapes came from the orchard. Corn was raised. Wheat was not, the flour and coffee were bought. Biscuits were for special meals, Sunday or company.

There was very little canning done in those days. Peaches and apples were dried. Jelly was made from grapes, and another thing, wine. Some of the wine was sold, most of it was given away, or drunk by Neill and friends. Enough cane to make a barrel of syrup was raised each year.

FISH

Fish were also plentiful on the Stewarts table. Crane's Creek was at the bottom of the hill and fishing was a popular sport. When the creek was low in the summertime the men got together and seined, dividing up the catch.

Aunt Fannie remembers a stove being bought while she was a little girl, but breakfast was still cooked in the fireplace. She still has the skillet biscuits were cooked in.

Money was not plentiful. Cotton was planted for a money crop, about a bale a year was raised. Apples, peaches and grapes were also sold to raise a little money. Aunt Fannie remembers she and her mother selling enough dried apples at Cameron to buy two rocking chairs.

SOCIAL LIFE

Social Life was not too varied, singings on Sunday nights, and occasional dances at the school house, or homes. The biggest event of the year was Christmas, just as it is now. Santa was looked for by the children as intensely as he is today. A stocking full of apples, nuts, candy and maybe a toy, were the usual gifts.

For the men Christmas was a day of shooting matches and fellowship. Shooting before day announced Christmas was here. The women filled the day with talk, visiting and cooking big dinners.

The Stewarts attended church at Cypress Presbyterian Church, only about a mile away. Aunt Fannie says some of her earliest memories were of Preacher Letcher Smith walking up Saturday to spend the night with them, going fishing in the evening and then walking to church with the family Sunday morning. Preaching was held only once a month. Sunday School was held the other Sundays, not at Cypress, but at Hopewell School. Ed McNeill was the Sunday School Superintendent.

CHILDREN GROW UP

As was the custom in those days, and today also, the children left home as they grew up. Hugh went to South Carolina to work at a saw mill. While there he married Omey Luck. He continued work at a sawmill all his life. Moving to Kenly he raised a family of four boys, Oscar, Hugh David and John Henry (Jack) are all dead. Clarence still lives in Kenly with his family. Hugh and Omey are both dead.

HENRY

Henry Stewart eloped with his closest neighbor, Mat Bullard. Hiding her luggage under the bridge one night, he borrowed his daddy's buggy, picked up Mat at Hopewell School and got married at Cameron. He sent the horse and buggy back home and took the train to South Carolina where he worked with Hugh for two years at a sawmill before returning home. He later got a job on the railroad and settled down at St. Pauls. They had two children, Agnes, who married Ed Musselwhite and lived in Lumberton and Carl, who also worked on the railroad. Carl and his wife, Gladys, have two children and live in Rocky Mount. Agnes and Ed, who are now dead, had three children.

JOHN DUNK

John Dunk was in the timber and turpentine business in Georgia, but died in 1929. He built a house for his parents on the Vass-Lobelia Road, where they moved in 1927. He never married.

CHRISTIAN ANN

Christian Ann (Chris) married John Patrick Blue in 1907. After working at saw and shingle mills around the area John Blue ran the power plants on Little River, upper and lower, before moving to Lobelia in 1918. John Blue farmed and worked at a sawmill until his health failed. He died in 1934. Chris, left with three small children and three grown children lived until 1974. The Blues had eight children, six reached maturity. Ewing and Marguerite died when small children. Barney, never married and lived at the homeplace until his death in 1977.

Cliff married Gala Nunnery and moved to Aberdeen where he published the Sandhill Citizen, a weekly paper. They had four children.

Marshall married May Cash and moved to Charlotte. He works with White Motors in Charlotte. They had two children. John Pat, who drowned in 1972, and Mary.

Catherine married William R. Robeson and lives in the Roseland community near Aberdeen. They have four children.

Malcolm married Herminia Causey and still lives at Lobelia. He works at the Sandhill Citizen in Aberdeen. They have two children.

Clarence (Pat) married Doris Thomas and is a surveyor in Southern Pines. They have four children.

SARAH CATHERINE

Sarah Catherine (Sally) married Cameron Johnson, a farmer, in the Bunker Hill section of Little River township. Sally died in 1938 leaving her husband and seven children.

Mildred, married Curtis Pilson, a farmer, and they live on Highway One between Vass and Cameron. They have five children.

Raymond Johnson spent over 20 years in the Navy and is now retired from J.P. Stevens in Aberdeen. he married twice, first to Lillian Johnson and then to Dorothy Kenyan. He has two children by each wife.

Ernestine Johnson married Lewis Williford and lives in Niagara, both now retired. They have three children.

Ruby Johnson married Earle Wicker, a farmer and sawmill operator, and lives near White Hill Church. They had one son, Ronnie. Earl is now dead.

Angus Johnson moved to Kansas City after serving in the Navy during World War II. He never married and died Dec. 4, 1982.

Neill Johnson served over 20 years in the Navy and now works with the Moore ABC Board. He married Betty Jones, who died in 1981. They had two children.

Mary Catherine married Milner Watson and lives in Eden. They have four sons.

FANNIE ELIZA

Fannie is the only Neill and Sarah Stewart child now living. She married Alex McFadyen, a farmer and lived next door to her parents after they moved from the old place until inheriting the place from John Dunk when he died. The McFadyens moved in to look after her parents as their health was very poor. Alex McFadyen died in 1950. The children are:

Ruth, who married J.L. Johnson, a farmer, and lives in the Bunker Hill community. They have five children.

Sarah Black, married Homer Barnes, an engineer for Western Electric in Winston Salem. They have three children.

Dougald works for a machine shop in Sanford. He married Mary Etta Brooks and lives at the homeplace. They have two children.

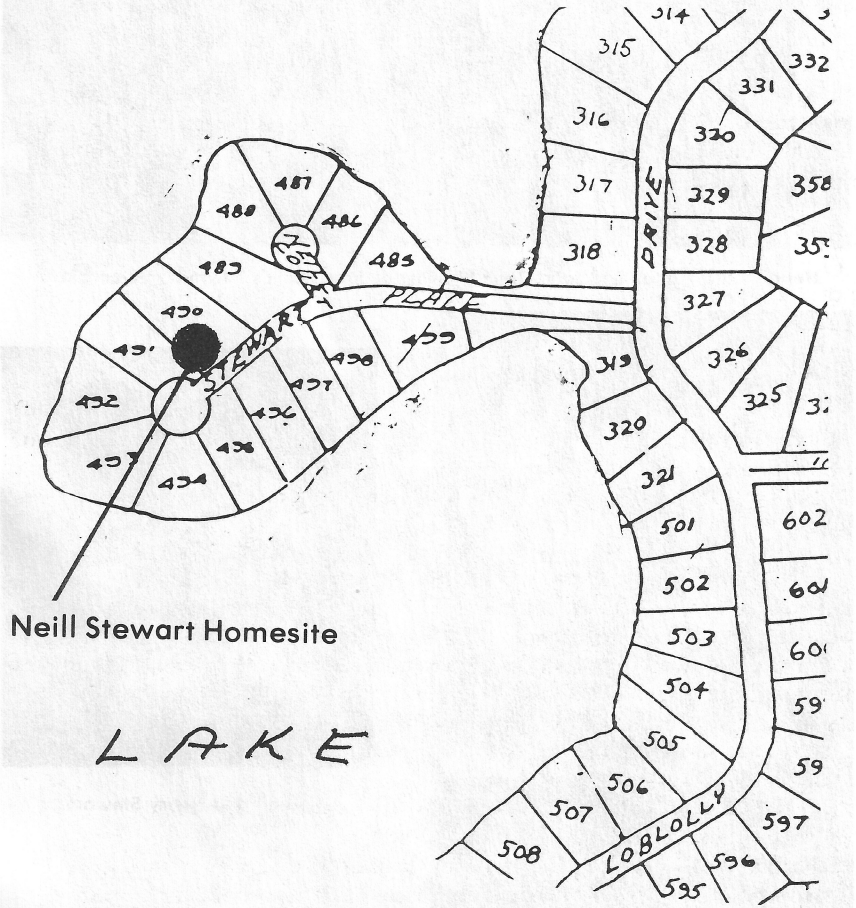
Iris married Bill Spivey, a tobacco buyer of Sanford. She is a school teacher and they have three sons.

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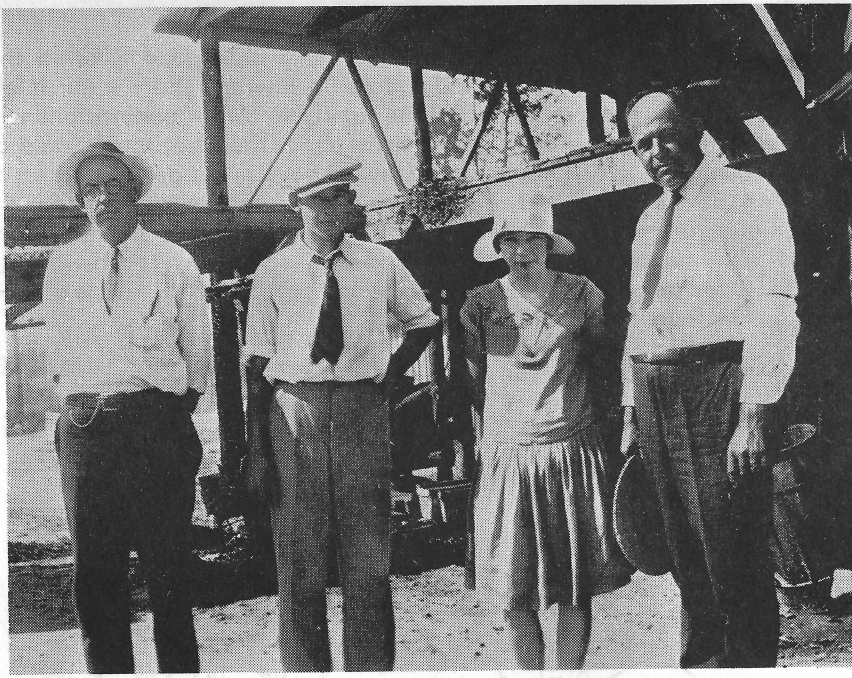
This incomplete sketch of the Stewart faily only goes through the names of the grandchildren of Neill and Sarah Stewart. There is much left out, but we hope to have identified the family so future generations will know where they came from, and a little about their heritage. Some of the grandchildren of Neill and Sarah Stewart have great-grandchildren of their own, so there is already much more history waiting to be written.

In the generations we have covered we have found no heroes to glorify. Our parents were log-cabin born, God-fearing, hard-working people. Good neighbors, they made a good neighborhood. . . It is a good heritage we have to follow.

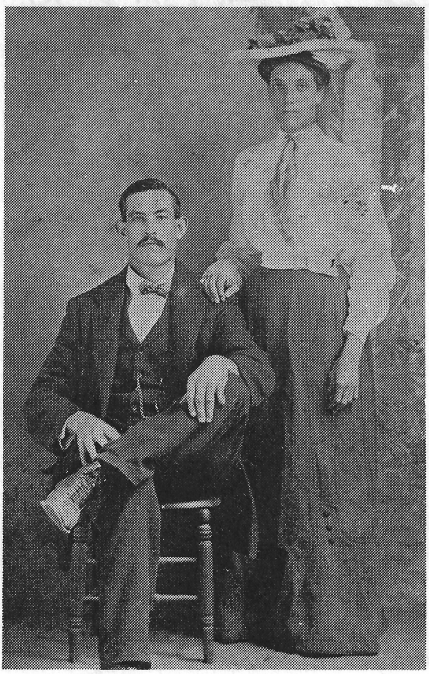
—MALCOLM BLUE



The old Neill Stewart homeplace now is a peninsula almost surrounded by the lake at Woodlake. It is one of the most beautiful places at Woodlake and several houses are on the hill where the old homestead stood.



Henry, Carl, Agnes and John Dunk Stewart at John Dunk's sawmill in Georgia.



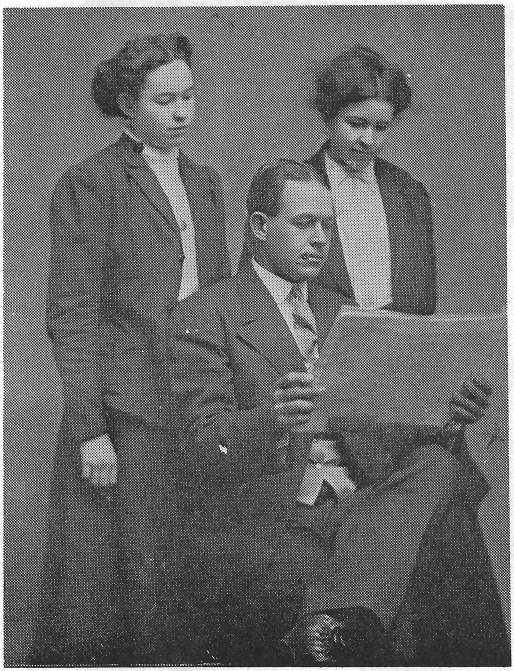
Hugh and Omey Stewart



Hugh and Henry Stewart



Sally Stewart, Barney, Cliff and Chris Blue in Grandpa's Buggy.



John Dunk, Sally and Fannie Stewart.



Christian Ann and John P. Blue



Sally Stewart



Molly Durham



Caroline Gilchrist



1948 STEWART REUNION — Reunion of Neill Stewart and Sarah Catherine Morrison Stewart at home of Mrs. Christian Ann Stewart Blue at Lobelia. Front row, left to right: J.D. Johnson, Iris McFadyen Spivey, Frances Johnson Baker, Bonnie Sue Johnson Cole, Lena Mae Johnson Collins. Second row, seated, left to right: Mrs. Christian Stewart Blue, Cameron Johnson, Miss Mary Bell McFadyen, Mrs. George Stewart, Mrs. Lula Stewart McNeill, Mrs. Fannie Stewart McFadyen and Alex McFadyen. Standing, left to right: Ed Musselwhite, Gene McNeill, Bill Robeson, Mary Catherine Johnson Watson, Lock Johnson, Marshall Blue, Mrs. Mattie Stewart, Mrs. Marshall Blue, Mildred Johnson Pilson, Mrs. Ila McNeill, Dougald McFadyen, Ruby Johnson Wicker, Lucille McNeill, Catherene Blue Robeson, Ruth Stewart Johnson, Sarah Black McFadyen Barnes, Malcolm Blue, Agnes Stewart Musselwhite and Homer Barnes.



Neill Stewart and horse "Jeff".

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THE STEWART FAMILY

To begin this brief sketch of the Stewarts, we will start with John Stewart of Cumberland County.

John Stewart's will was written November 24, 1832 and probated in 1844. The will lists four daughters, Matty, Mary, Ann, Sary; and five sons, David, John, Joseph, Reuben and George. The four daughters inherited his land. Joseph moved to Moore County between 1840 and 1850.

We take it that the Joseph Stewart, son of John Stewart, mentioned above is the same Joseph Stewart whose will was recorded in Book C, page 162, Moore County as mentioned in the following paragraph.

Now for Joseph Stewart: Book C, page 162, Moore County, North Carolina lists his will as having been written February 19, 1864, and probated October term 1867. His wife was named as "whole and sole executrix" with seven living children: Henry Stewart, George Stewart, Sallie McNeill, Drury Stewart, Rebecca Smith, James Stewart and Mary Ann M. Bynum.

Mary Stewart appeared before the court as executrix.

Now for the sons and daughters of Joseph Stewart and wife Mourning Senter:

Henry Stewart Married Rebecca Truelove Sept. 15, 1826, living in Harnett County, 1860, age 55, blacksmith.

Drury Stewart, 42, living in Harnett County 1860.

Mary Ann Stewart, born Feb. 11, 1833; married Joseph H. M. Bynum, Jan. 22, 1850 at residence of William Smith.

Sallie Stewart married Neill McNeill of Harnett County.

George A. Stewart, born March 12, 1810, in North Carolina, died Oct. 30, 1900 in Greene County, Alabama.

James Stewart was born December 9, 1828. He was a soldier in the Confederate Army and died during the Civil war in Elmira, New York. He was married to Christian Ann Smith who was born March 26, 1823 and died March 20, 1879. She is buried in Cypress Church Cemetery.

Rebecca Stewart, born Feb. 11, 1826; died December 23, 1915. She was married to William Smith who was born October 14, 1798, and who died March 4, 1889. They had eight children.

Sons and daughters of Rebecca Stewart and William Smith were:

William John Smith, born Sept. 1, 1845; died March 4, 1889. He married a Cameron.

Joseph Hector Smith, born Jan. 9, 1848, died Sept. 21, 1923. He married Effie Clark and they had one son, Alexander Clark Smith.

Christian Elizabeth Smith, born May 15, 1852, died Sept. 7, 1936. She married Andrew McNeill. They had three sons, William McNeill, Robert McNeill and Charles Andrew McNeill.

Mary Catherine Smith, born March 17, 1854, died Nov. 2, 1949. She was never married.

George Fairley Smith, born Aug. 7, 1860, died April 22, 1865.

James Robert Smith, born January 25, 1863, died November 19, 1873.

Sarah Jane Smith, born December 12, 1865, died May 19, 1947. She was married to Duncan C. McGill and they had one daughter and two sons: Annie McGill who married Paul Arnold Wilson; William D. (Billy) McGill, now deceased; and Duncan H. McGill who is married to Olera McCraney.

Daniel Drury Smith, born June 13, 1868, died July 2, 1873.

Children of Mary Ann Stewart and Joseph H.M. Bynum were:

Mary Ann Isabella Bynum, born May 2, 1852; married a Barber and they had two daughters.

John Thomas Bynum, born May 4, 1854.

Sara Elizabeth (Sallie) Bynum, born Feb. 14, 1857, married a McDonald; then married Thomas Moffitt of Sanford.

Rebecca Jane Bynum, born Sept. 19, 1869; married Jackson Keith of Cameron RFD.

Joseph Russell Bynum, born Aug. 26, 1862.

Susannah Eliza Bynum, born July 27, 1863; married William John (Johnny) Cameron of Vass.

Lydia James Bynum, born May 5, 1856; married Make McDonald of Hamlet.

Catherine McQueen Bynum, born Sept. 28, 1868; married Dempsey Bailey; after his death married Will Shaw of Southern Pines.

Minnie Turner Bynum, born Nov. 30, 1870; married a Patterson of Philadelphia, Mississippi.

Ida Eugenia Bynum, born Dec. 4, 1873; married John Bynum.

Joseph Florence Bynum, born Oct. 15, 1877; married Robert (Bob) Thomas of Vass.

JAMES A. AND CHRISTIAN SMITH STEWART FAMILY

James A. Stewart, born Dec. 9, 1828, married Christian Ann Smith on April 3, 1850. He died October 5, 1864 of influenza, while a prisoner of the Union Army in Elmira, N.Y. He is buried in a cemetery there and was a member of Co. C, North Carolina Regiment of the Confederate Army.

Christian Ann Stewart was born March 26, 1823 and died Mary 20, 1879. She is buried in Cypress Church cemetery.

Their children were:

I—Daniel
II—Neill
III—Andrew
IV—William
V—Hughie
VI—Margaret (Mag).

I—Daniel Stewart, born Sept. 1, 1851, married Ellen Johnson, born Dec. 21, 1851, died March 1, 1937. They had no children and Daniel died as young man in Fayetteville, N.C., cause unknown.

II—Neill Stewart, born Dec. 29, 1852, died July 20, 1931. He married Sarah Catherine Morrison, born Jan. 22, 1854 and died Dec. 8, 1939.

Their children were:

1. Hughie Smith Stewart
2. William Henry Stewart
3. John Duncan Stewart
4. Infant son
5. Christian Ann Stewart
6. Sarah Catherine Stewart
7. Fannie Eliza Stewart

Brothers

1. Hughie Smith Stewart, born Nov. 11, 1880, died June 20, 1965. He married Omey Luck of South Carolina on Dec. 25, 1904.

Their children were:

A. Oscar Stewart born May 25, 1912, died Feb. 7, 1960.
B. Hugh David Stewart born Nov. 7, 1917, died Mar. 20, 1976.
C. John Henry Stewart born Dec. 15, 1922, died July 29, 1967.
D. Clarence Calvin Stewart born Oct. 31, 1924.

A. Oscar Stewart married, Lucille Exum and they had one daughter and was divorced. His daughter died in childhood.
B. Hugh David Stewart never married.
C. John Henry (Jack) Stewart married Dorothy and they had four children.
D. Clarence Calvin Stewart married Ruby Medlin. They had three boys and one girl.

2. William Henry Stewart, born July 20, 1882 and died Jan. 28, 1946, married Mattie Bullard on Jan. 6, 1905.

Their children were:

A. Nora Agnes Stewart
B. Laron Carl Stewart

A. Nora Agnes Stewart, born May 5, 1909, died Nov. 17, 1974. She married Edward Luke Musselwhite, born Jan. 10, 1910, on Sept. 10, 1928. He died March 26, 1978. They lived in Lumberton and their children were:

a. William Edward Musselwhite
b. Frederick Luke Musselwhite
c. Nancy Stewart Musselwhite

a. William Edward Musselwhite, born Dec. 15, 1930, married on Sept. 2, 1951, to Mary Ellen Hall, born Nov. 23, 1931.

Their children were:

1a. William Edward Musselwhite, Jr., born Nov. 19, 1955, married May 24, 1980, to Melissa Elizabeth Matthews.
2b. James Wilton Musselwhite, born June 6, 1957, married on July 26, 1980 to Kristin Ann Merck.
3c. Henry Luke Musselwhite, born May 1, 1961.
4d. Ila Monroe Musselwhite, born June 2, 1962, died June 3, 1962.

b. Frederick Luke Musselwhite, born Jan. 6, 1939, married Shelvia Jean Sechreist, born Feb. 25, 1939, on Sept. 7, 1958. Their children were:

1a. Norris Lea Musselwhite, born April 26, 1965.

2b. Frederick Luke Musselwhite, Jr., born Feb. 23, 1968.

c. Nancy Stewart Musselwhite, born Feb. 2, 1946, married May 10, 1963. Carroll Douglas Hobbs, Jr., born Jan. 27, 1942. Their children were:

1a. Richard Luke Hobbs, born April 18, 1964.

B. Laron Carol Stewart, born July 4, 1911, married on Nov. 29, 1946 to Gladys Gardner, born July 26, 1913. Their children were:

a. William David Stewart, born Sept. 9, 1947, married Cynthia Deakins, Sept. 1, 1978. Their children were:

1a. Shannon Stewart, born March 17, 1980.

2b. Patricia Ann Stewart, born Dec. 8, 1948, married Feb. 21, 1971 to Phillip Hagen, born July 21, 1948. Their children were Phillip Bruce Hagan, born Jan. 26, 1979.

3. John Duncan Stewart, born Sept. 26, 1884, died July 16, 1929. He never married and was engaged in lumber and turpentine business where he died following an emergency appendectomy.

4. Infant son died at birth.

5. Christian Ann Stewart, born April 14, 1888, died Aug. 14, 1974, married on June 5, 1907, to John Patrick Blue, born Jan. 9, 1877, died June 17, 1934. Their children were:

A. Edward Barney Blue
B. Herbert Clifton Blue
C. Duncan Ewing Blue
D. John Marshall Blue
E. Marguerite Blue
F. Flora Catherene Blue
G. Malcolm Neill Blue
H. Clarence Harold Blue

A. Edward Barney Blue, born March 24, 1908, died Dec. 3, 1977, never married.

B. Herbert Clifton Blue, born Aug. 28, 1910, married on July 4, 1937 to Gala Lee Nunnery, born Feb. 2, 1918. Their children were:

a. Patricia Joyce Blue
b. Herbert Clifton Blue, Jr.
c. John Lee Blue
d. Elisabeth Ann Blue

a. Patricia Joyce Blue, born Nov. 8, 1938, married David Ernest Bailey, born Sept. 5, 1935, on Sept. 26, 1959. Their children were:

1a. David Eldon Bailey, born Nov. 7, 1960.
2b. Alison Joyce Bailey, born Oct. 26, 1962.
3c. Barbara Blue Bailey, born Feb. 7, 1964.
4d. Robert Stewart Bailey born Aug. 12, 1968.

b. Herbert Clifton Blue, Jr. born Feb. 13, 1941, married Shirley Baker on Dec. 4, 1965. Their children were:

1a. Herbert Clifton (Tripp) Blue III born Aug. 1, 1968.

c. John Lee Blue born July 9, 1945, married Susan Lynn Frye born, Feb. 20, 1957. Their children were:
1a. Shane Justin Blue born Jan. 20, 1978.
2b. Sherrie Dawn Blue born Nov. ", 1980.

d. Elisabeth Ann Blue born June 10, 1957, married Kenneth Hawkins on June 1, 1981.

C. Duncan Ewing Blue, born July 19, 1913, died Aug. 29, 1915.
D. John Marshall Blue born Aug. 11, 1916, married May Frances Cash on Aug. 30, 1947. Their children were:
a. John Patrick Blue II, born Dec. 9, 1950, died May 22, 1972 in a drowning accident while on a camping trip with college friends in the Linville Gorge in the North Carolina mountains.
b. Mary Cash Blue, born April 16, 1957, married on June 11, 1983 to David Lawrence.
E. Marguerite Blue born March 2, 1919, died June 20, 1922.

F. Flora Catherene Blue born Sept. 7, 1921, married William Raeford Robeson, Jr., born Jan. 21, 1917, on Sept. 13, 1947. Their children were:
a. Brenda Caroline Robeson
b. William Mark Robeson
c. Sarah Christian Robeson
d. Edward Lindsay Robeson
a. Brenda Caroline Robeson born Oct. 8, 1949, married on Aug. 3, 1969 to Robert Keith McFarland born Dec. 18, 1946. Their children were:
1a. Cameron Stewart McFarland born May 29, 1974
2b. Seth Ira McFarland born Nov. 29, 1978
b. William Mark Robeson born March 22, 1952, married on Dec. 7, 1979 to Linda Robson Hardin, born April 1951. Their children were:
1a. Matthew Ryan Robeson born Aug. 5, 1981.
c. Sarah Christian Robeson born Sept. 26, 1955, married Jon Paul Agic, born May 26, 1954, on Dec. 21, 1972. Their children were:
1a. Carrie Blue Agic born March 27, 1973.
2b. Jacob Wesley Agic born July 31, 1977.
d. Edward Lindsay Robeson, born Jan. 28, 1962.

G. Malcolm Neill Blue born July 18, 1925 married on Nov. 3, 1950 to Herminia Lee Causey, born Nov. 8, 1930. Their children were:
a. Katherine Ann Blue
b. James Malcolm Blue
a. Katherine Ann Blue was born July 19, 1953.
b. James Malcolm Blue, born Sept. 26, 1954 married Scarlett Faye Moody, born Sept. 25, 1956 in April 1975. Their children were:
1a. Amanda Lee Blue born May 20, 1983.

H. Clarence Harold Blue (Pat) born July 10, 1928, married Doris Thomas, born Feb. 16, 1930, on Jan. 25, 1958. Their children were:
a. Carmel Kim Blue Blue, born Feb. 28, 1960.
b. Lojuana Lynn Blue, born July 20, 1961.
c. Doris Patrice Blue born July 6, 1962.
d. Thomas Stewart Blue born May 14, 1969.

6. Sarah Catherine Stewart (Sally) born Dec. 4, 1893 died April 7, 1938. She married Cameron Johnson on April 22, 1914. Their children were:
A. Mildred Viola Johnson
B. Raymond Eugene Johnson
C. Ernestine Marguertie Johnson
D. Ruby Annabella Johnson
E. Angus Cameron Johnson
F. Neill Stewart Johnson
G. Mary Catherine Johnson

A. Mildred Johnson born March 17, 1915, married on Dec. 25, 1937 to Curtis Pilson, born Aug. 17, 1913. Their children were:
a. James Ray Pilson
b. Carol Jean Pilson
c. Edna Frances Pilson
d. Jerry Pilson
e. Sally Sue Pilson
a. James Ray Pilson born Jan. 21, 1939 married Doris Hendricks in 1959 who died in an automobile accident. Their children were:
1a. Greg Pilson born April 5, 1964
2b. Donna Pilson born June 7, 1962
3c. Randy Pilson born Sept. 2, 1959
Secondly he married Susan Cole Butler on Sept. 21, 1974.
b. Carol Jean Pilson born April 11, 1940, married Ray Isgett on Aug. 22, 1959. Their children were:
1a. Vickie Isgett born Dec. 28, 1960
2b. Elrey Eugene (Buddy) Isgett born Aug. 1962
3c. Danny Isgett born Aug. 1964
c. Edna Frances Pilson born Aug. 15, 1941 married on June 13, 1959 to Larry Newell. Their children were:
1a. Anthony Curtis (Tony) Newell born March 31, 1961
2b. Patricia Newell born Nov. 16, 1962
3c. Terry Allan Newell born July 11, 1964

d. Jerry Pilson born May 1, 1947 married Lee Doung, a native of Viet Nam. Their children were:
1a. Cynthia Pilson
2b. Amber Pilson
3c. Connie Pilson
4d. Kim Pilson

e. Sally Sue Pilson born March 21, 1953.

B. Raymond Eugene Johnson born Feb. 22, 1917, married Lillian Johnson. Their children were:

a. Helen Johnson

b. Fairley Johnson

a. Helen Johnson born Aug. 12, 1935 married Lewis Apple on Aug. 23, 1957. Their children were: Mike Apple born Jan. 6, 1963 and Wendy Apple born April 13, 1967.

b. Edward Fairley Johnson, born Sept. 22, 1938 married Betty Leonard, born Dec. 20, 1939. Their children are: Pamela Jo, born June 27, 1962. Edward Fairley, Jr., born Sept. 2, 1964. Paul Eugene born Feb. 11, 1966. Joyh Elizabeth, born Feb. 21, 1969.

Secondly Raymond married Dorothy Matteson Kenyon of Rhode Island, born March 2, 1924, in April, 1949. Their children were:

a. Lorraine Johnson born March 8, 1950 married Charles Craven in March 1969. Their children were:

1a. Christie Craven born Dec. 31, 1970.

Secondly Lorraine married Byron York in May of 1979. Their children were:

2b. Tristian born Jan. 7, 1981

3c. Theresa Johnson born March 15, 1955 married Aug. 21, 1982 to Prentice Dean.

C. Ernestine Johnson born March 3, 1919, married Lewis Williford. Their children were:

a. Jesse Williford

b. Harold Williford

c. Joyce Williford

Jesse Williford born Nov. 10, 1940 married Pam Porter on Oct. 3, 1970. Their children were:

1a. Mat Williford

2b. Caroline Williford

3c. Kevin Williford

b. Harold Williford born Sept. 18, 1944 married on June 10, 1967 Carole Clarke. Their children were:

1a. Christa Williford

2b. Mark Williford

3c. Jonathan Williford

c. Joyce Williford born Dec. 10, 1946

D. Ruby Johnson born Aug. 9, 1921 married William Earl Wicker born Sept. 7, 1913, on April 8, 1944. Earl died on Dec. 11, 1980. Their children were:

a. Ronald Grey Wicker born Sept. 9, 1947 married Deborah Donathan. Their children were:

1a. Dawn Wicker born July 12, 1972

2b. Chrystal Wicker born Nov. 12, 1973

3c. Matthew Earl Wicker born July 1, 1982

E. Angus Cameron Johnson born March 5, 1923, died Dec. 4, 1982. He never married.

F. Neill Johnson born July 1, 1926 married to Bettie Jones, born Feb. 3, 1932, on June 8, 1952. Bettie died June 17, 1981. Their children were:

a. Cameron Anthony Johnson born Nov. 14, 1953

b. April Lynette Johnson born June 7, 1961

G. Mary Catherine Johnson born March 14, 1930 married in Oct. 1953 to Milner Watson. Their children were:

a. David Watson born March 28, 1955

b. Mitchell Watson born June, 1956

c. Kevin Watson born Dec., 1958

d. James Watson born Feb. 12, 1962

7. Fannie Eliza Stewart born July 5, 1896, married Alex McFadyen born March 6, 1883, died Nov. 13, 1950. Fannie's first child:

A. Ruth Stewart

Children of Fannie and Alex McFadyen were:

B. Infant McFadyen

C. Sarah Black McFadyen

D. Neill Dougald McFadyen

E. Clyde Iris McFadyen

A. Ruth Cornelis Stewart born March 30, 1914 married James Lachlan Johnson on Nov. 26, 1932. Their children were:

a. John Duncan Johnson

b. Frances Elizabeth Johnson

c. Lena Mae Johnson

d. James Eckerson Johnson

e. Bonnie Sue Johnson

f. Neill Johnson

a. John Duncan Johnson born Feb. 6, 1932 married Peggy Lane. Their children were:

1a. Patricia Ann Johnson born Nov. 16, 1958 married Terry Jessup. Secondly John Duncan married Wilma Beard Causey on Feb. 24, 1967.

b. Frances Johnson born May 22, 1933 married Cecil Baker on Oct. 30, 1953. Their children were:

1a. John F. Baker born Nov. 13, 1954 died March 1955.

2b. Debbie Baker born June 26, 1956 married Eddie Odom. Their children were Pamela born Jan. 1981.

3c. Lisa Baker born May 2, 1962 married Wayne Comer on Aug. 16, 1980. Their son Wayne David Comer was born Aug. 28, 1981.

c. Lena Mae Johnson born Oct. 3, 1934 married Worth E. Collins on July 2, 1957. Their children were:

1a. Donna Collins born Aug. 2, 1958 married Gary Happnie on Aug. 21, 1976. Their children were Christian Happnie born Jan. 1978 and Faith Happnie born Jan. 1980.

2b. Janet Collins born June 28, 1960 married Otto Kiehl on Feb. 19, 1983.

d. James E. Johnson born May 3,1936 married Irene Hardy on July 18, 1959. Their children were:
1a. Tara Beth Johnson born July 19, 1963.
e. Bonnie Sue Johnson born May 4, 1939 married Dwight Cole April 17, 1962. He died Sept. 2, 1979. Their children were:
1a. Mark Cole born April 4, 1963
2b. Don Cole born Jan. 4, 1966

B. Infant son McFadyen born and died in 1923.

C. Sarah Black McFadyen born July 9, 1924 married Marion Homer Barnes on Aug. 28, 1948. Their children were:
a. Infant Barnes
b. David McFadyen Barnes
c. Thomas Marion Barnes
d. Marcia Lynn Barnes
a. Infant Barnes died at birth.
b. David McFadyen Barnes born March 14, 1953 married Michelle Adams in Dec. 1, 1978.
c. Thomas Marion Barnes was born July 2, 1955.
d. Marcia Lynn Barnes was born Jan. 12, 1960.

D. Neill Dougald McFadyen, born Sept. 14, 1926 married Mary Etta Brooks on July 10, 1951. Their children were:
a. Stewart Morrison McFadyen
b. Jane Brooks McFadyen
a. Stewart Morrison McFadyen born April 14, 1953 married Patricia Stoudenmire in June, 1981.
b. Jane Brooks McFadyen was born Oct. 29, 1956.

E.Clyde Iris McFadyen born June 2, 1928, married William Monroe Spivey on Dec. 23, 1950. Their children were:
a. Stephen Monroe Spivey
b. John Michael Spivey
c. Gregory McFadyen Spivey
a. Stephen Monroe Spivey born Jan. 6, 1953 married Cassandra Beth Liles in July, 1979. Their children were:
1a. Jillian Leigh Spivey born March, 1983.
b. John Michael Spivey was born Dec. 29, 1955.
c. Gregory McFadyen Spivey was born June 13, 1961.

III. James Andrew Stewart born Oct. 14, 1855 died Nov. 13, 1942. He married Margaret (Peg) Johnson born Jan. 15, 1848, died Mar. 18, 1919. Their children were:
1. William E. (Billy) Stewart born Nov. 18, 1877, died Nov. 23, 1967. Married Mary (Sis) McMillan, born 1875, died Dec. 14, 1954. They had no children.

IV. William (Bill) Stewart born July 19, 1858 died May 17, 1946. He married Kelly Morrison born Nov. 18, 1859, died March 4, 1939. Their children were:
1. Lula Stewart
2. George Stewart

3. W.R. (Bob) Stewart

1. Lula Stewart born March 25, 1884, died May 7, 1963. She married Wiley Gibson, secondly Quim Seawell and thirdly Ed McNeill. She had one child who died at birth.
2. George Stewart born March 8, 1887, died July 23, 1940. He married Mary (Sis) Cameron born May 22,1869 died Nov. 9, 1950. They had no children.

V. Hughie Stewart born Nov. 12, 1860 never married. He was burned to death in a house fire.

VI. Christian Margaret (Mag) was born Oct. 25, 1862 and died Jan. 28, 1936. She never married and made her home with her brother Neill and his family and died in the home of her niece, Christian Blue. She was dearly loved by all the families.

Alabama Stewarts

By Mrs. Annie McGill Wilson

According to research done by (Mrs. J.H.) Ophelia Phillips, of Tuscaloosa, Alabama, the late Governor Lurleen Wallace was a member of the Stewart Clan, among whom are many members in this area.

As far as the record has been traced, the ancestor of those in this particular family was Charles Stewart, born about 1728, died November 1807, in Wake County, N.C. He married Johannah Kirk, born about 1732, died January 1, 1832, Wake County, N.C.

Their son John Stewart, married Martha Blalock. John died in 1844, Cumberland County, N.C., while Martha died about 1854.

Joseph Stewart, son of John and Martha, was born about 1783 and died 1867, Moore County. He was married to Mourning Senter. His will recorded in Book C, p. 162, Moore County, N.C., was written 19 February, 1864 and probated October term, 1867. It names his wife as "whole and sole executrix", and lists seven living children: Henry Smith, George Stewart, Sallie McNeill, Drury Stewart, Rebecca Smith, James Stewart, and Mary Ann M. Bynum. Mary Stewart appeared before the court as executrix. From this, it would appear that Joseph was married twice, perhaps to sisters or cousins. Other records list two other sons, John and an unnamed son.

Rebecca was married to William Smith, to whom eight children were born. These are listed elsewhere in this account. They lived at the old Smith homeplace, in the bend of Crane's Creek, at Lobelia.

Mary Ann M. married Joseph H.M. Bynum, for whom Vass was first named. Their eleven children are also listed elsewhere.

James Stewart married Christian Ann Smith. THey had five children, also listed, of whom the oldest was Neill Stewart, whose homeplace was in the Cypress community.

George A., brother of Rebecca, Mary Ann M., and James, born March 12, 1810, went to Alabama, where, on August 5, 1834, he married Elizabeth Jennings, born December 10, 1817, daughter of James and Phoebe (?) Jennings. George A. and Elizabeth were married in

Tuscaloosa County by the Reverend T.A. Smith. Their children were Tirza Ann, George W., Huldah P., Sarah H., Amanda Jane, and Margaret E.

One of these, Amanda Jane Stewart, born September 26, 1843, at Knoxville, Greene County, Alabama, married her first cousin, Joseph R. Stewart, son of John and Jennith Liles Stewart, on September 23, 1858. Joseph was the son of John, brother of Amanda's father George, and was born January 9, 1833, in North Carolina.

Amanda Jane and Joseph were the parents of 14 children: Jenneth Elizabeth, John, William M., Julia N., Ida Ann, George, Henry, Joe R., Walter Alvin, Alma Jane, Spurgeon, Fannie, Phister, and Ramsey Stewart.

Ida Ann married Morgan Burns. Their son, Henry Morgan Burns, married Estelle Burroughs, granddaughter of Margaret E. Stewart and Peter Barton, and daughter of Eugenia Barton and John Burroughs.

A daughter of Henry Morgan Burns and Estelle Burroughs Burns was Lurleen Burns, born September 19, 1926, at Foster, Tuscaloosa County, Alabama. She married George Corley Wallace, May 22, 1943. The Wallace's children are Bobbi Jo (Mrs. Jane Thomas Parsons), Peggy Sue, Janie Lee, and George Corley Wallace, Jr.

Lurleen Burns Wallace succeeded her husband as governor of Alabama, serving one year and four months. She died on Tuesday, May 7, 1968, after a long fight against cancer, and was buried in Greenwood Cemetery in Alabama's capital.

Morrisons

William Morrison had one son, John Morrison, and three daughters, Mary Lisa Morrison who married Alex Smith; Sarah Catherine Morrison who married Neill Stewart; Carolina Morrison who married Neill Gilchrist; and Betty Morrison who married Robert Wicker.

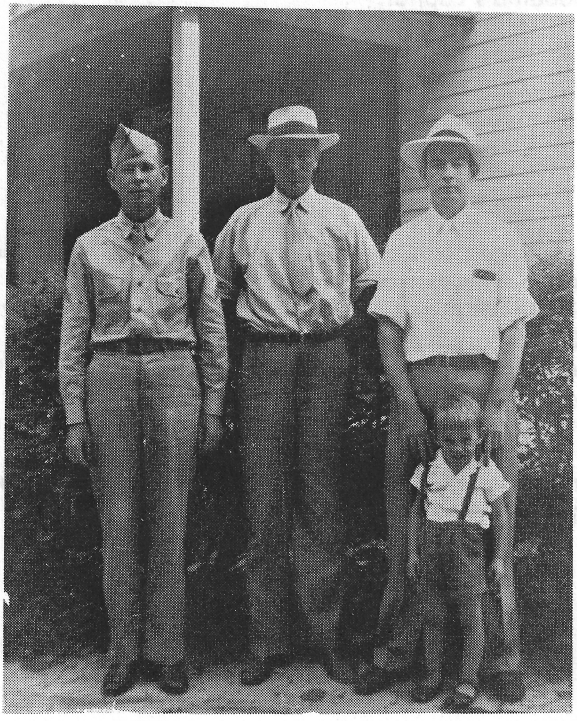
Children of Mary Elizabeth who married Joseph Junius Durham were:

Ethel Durham, married William David Bowen. Children: William Durham Bowen, married Ora Myers; Elizabeth Sue Bowen, married J.H. Bennett.

Nellie Durham, married Wm. Clair Suitt; one son, Winston Ruffin Suitt. Second marriage to Ernest Carrington Hester.



The Blue Home Place

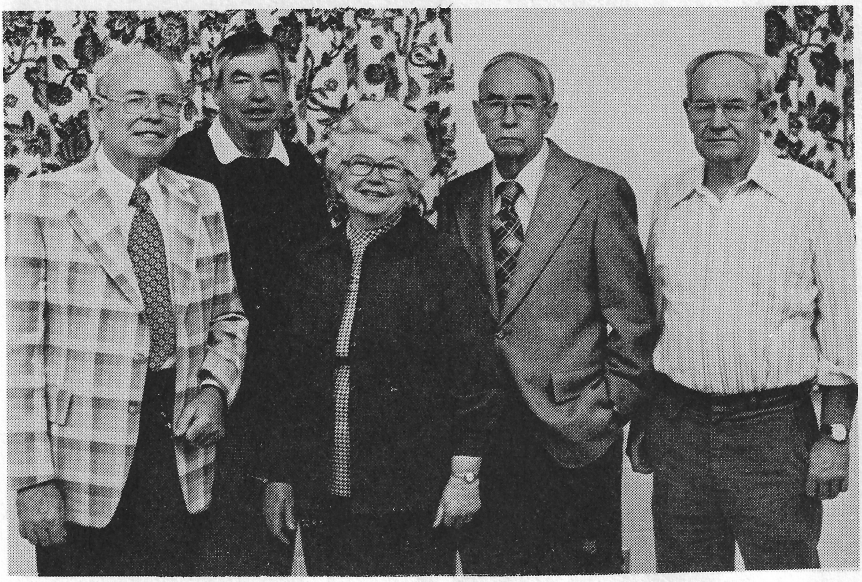


Marshall, Barney, Cliff and Clifton Blue, Jr.

John Pat Blue and Brenda Robeson — Easter, early 1950's at Blue home in Lobelia.



Chris Blue



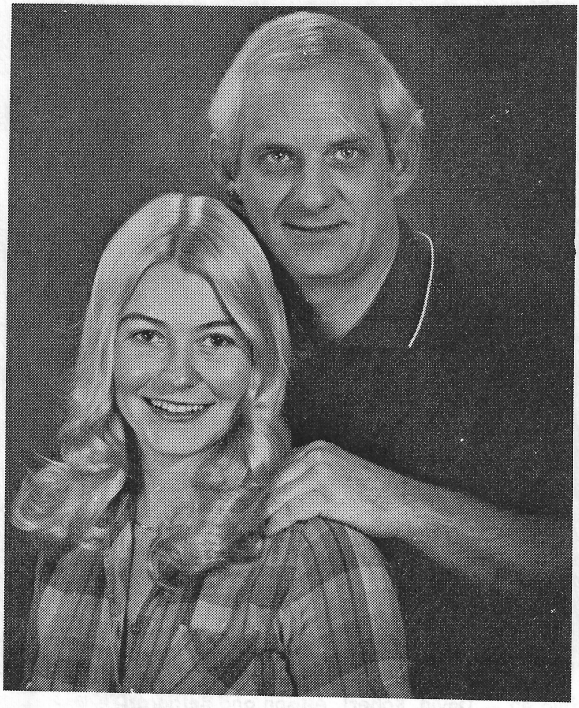
The Blues — Marshall, Pat, Catherine, Cliff and Malcolm.



Catherene Blue and Ruby Wicker



Gala and Cliff Blue



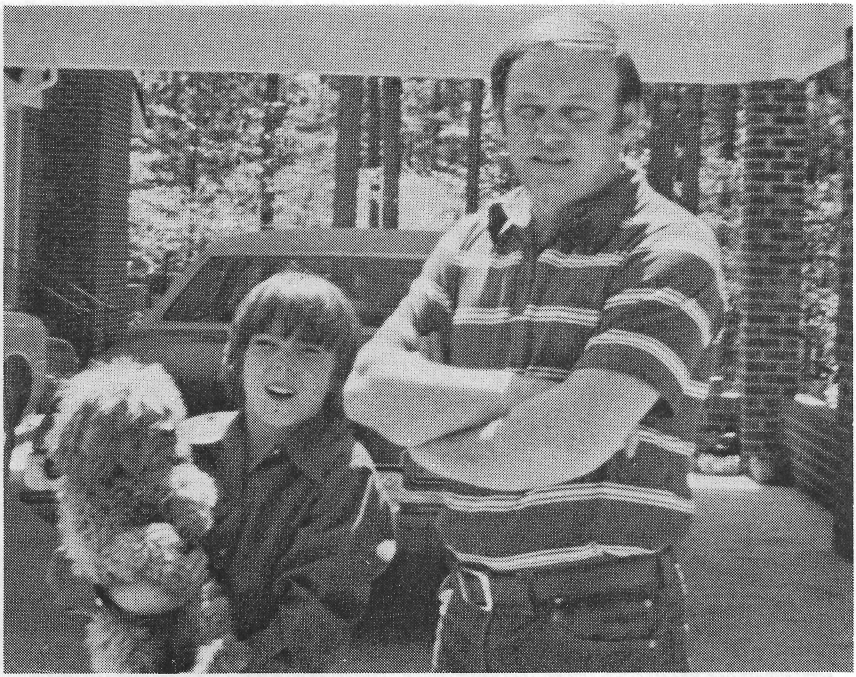
Beth and Ken Hawkins



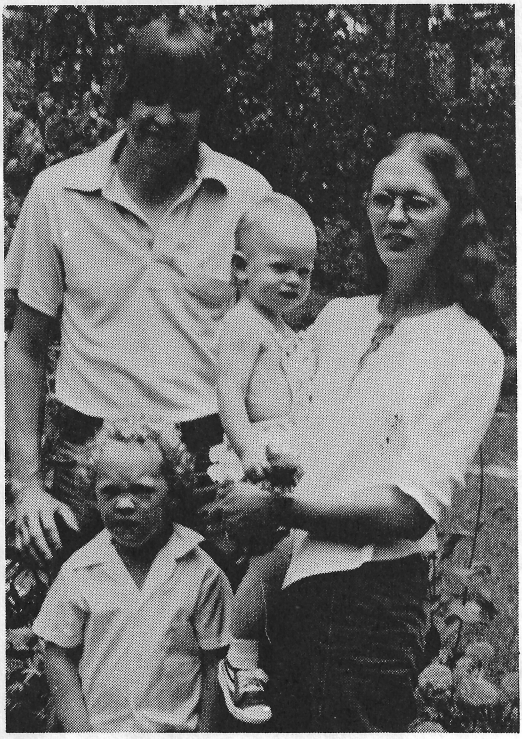
Patsy and David Bailey



The David Bailey children — David, Robert, Allison and Barbara.



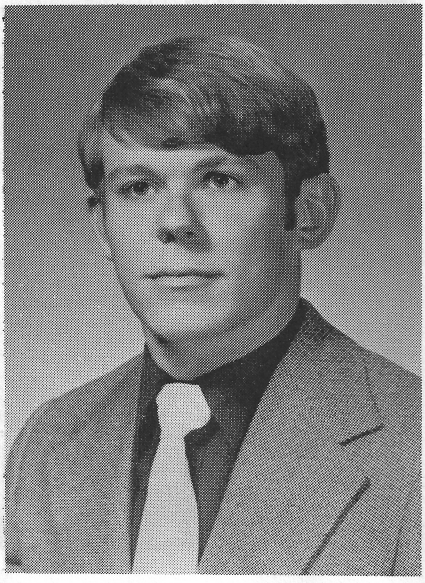
Clifton Blue Jr., and Clifton Blue III



John Blue Family — Shane (front), John, Sherry and Lynn



May, Marshall and Mary Blue

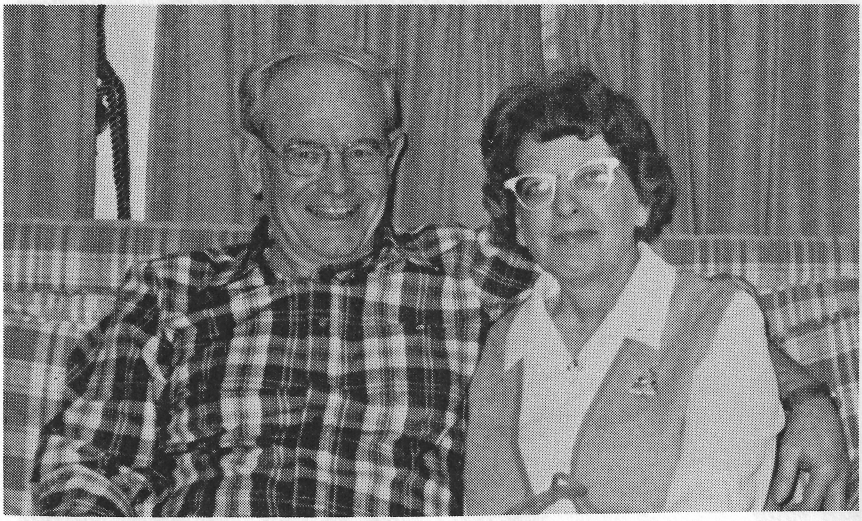


John Pat Blue

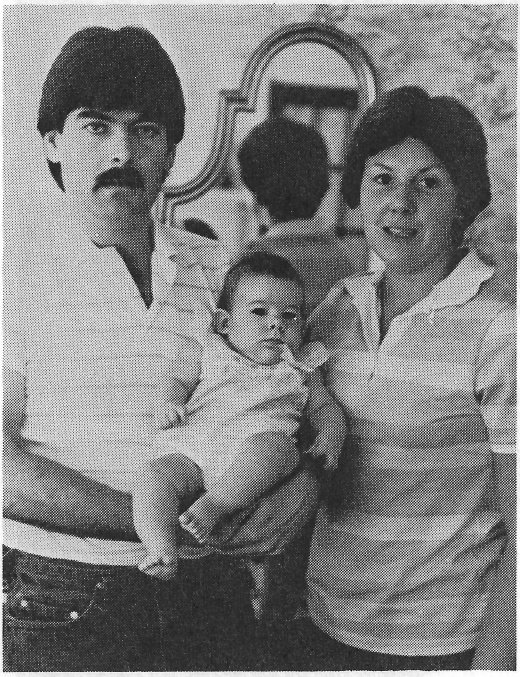
Bill Robeson Family — Kneeling: Brenda and Seth McFarland, Carrie Agic. Standing: Jake and Christy Agic, Catherine, Bill, Linda and Mark Robeson. Back row: Lindsay Robeson and Keith McFarland.



Barney Blue



Malcolm and Herminia Blue



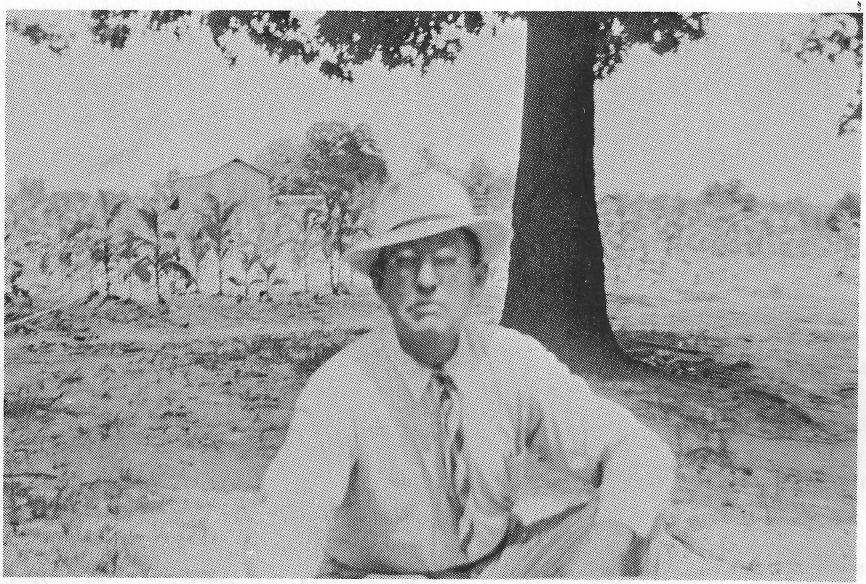
Jim, Amanda and Scarlett Blue



Ann Blue



C.H. Blue Family — Doris, Tom, Pat, Kim, Lojuana, and Patrice.



Cameron Johnson

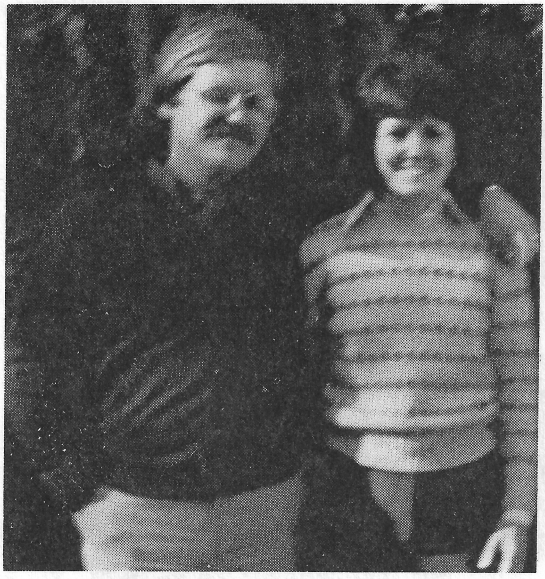


Cameron Johnson children — Ruby, Mildred, Ernestine, Raymond and Neill.

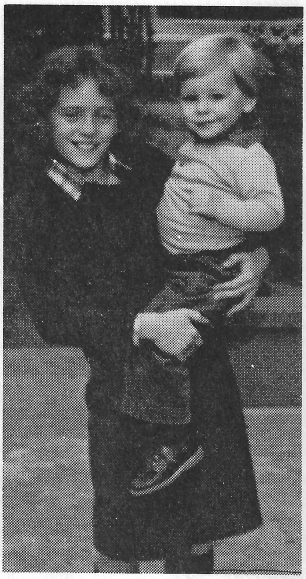
Mary Catherine



Raymond Johnson children and grandchildren — Front row: Dot, Raymond, Pam, Fairly, Eddie, Beth, Betty and Paul Johnson. Back row: Wendy, Helen, Louis and Mike Apple.



Brian and Lorraine Johnson York.



Christie Craven and Tristian York, children of Lorraine J. York.



Teresa Johnson Dean and
Prentice C. Dean.



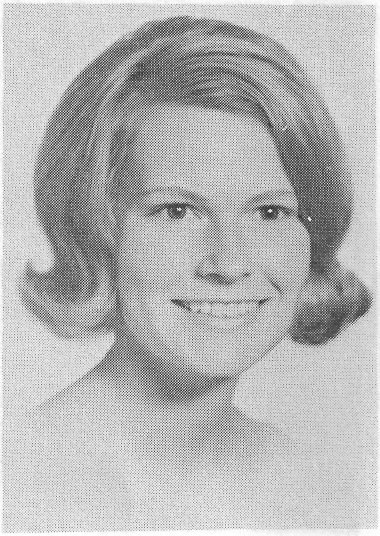
Curtis Pilson Family — Mildred, Sally, Carol, Edna, Jerry and James.



Mildred and Curtis Pilson



Louis and Ernestine Williford



Joyce Williford



At Stewart Reunion — Ruby Wicker, Mildred Pilson, Fannie McFadyen, Mary Catherine Watson, Neill Johnson, Raymond Johnson and Ernestine Williford.



Harold Williford Family — Carole, Mark, Jonathan, Christa and Harold.



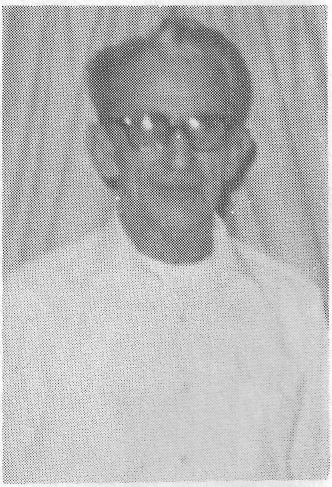
Jesse and Pam Williford. Children: Matt, Caroline and Kevin.



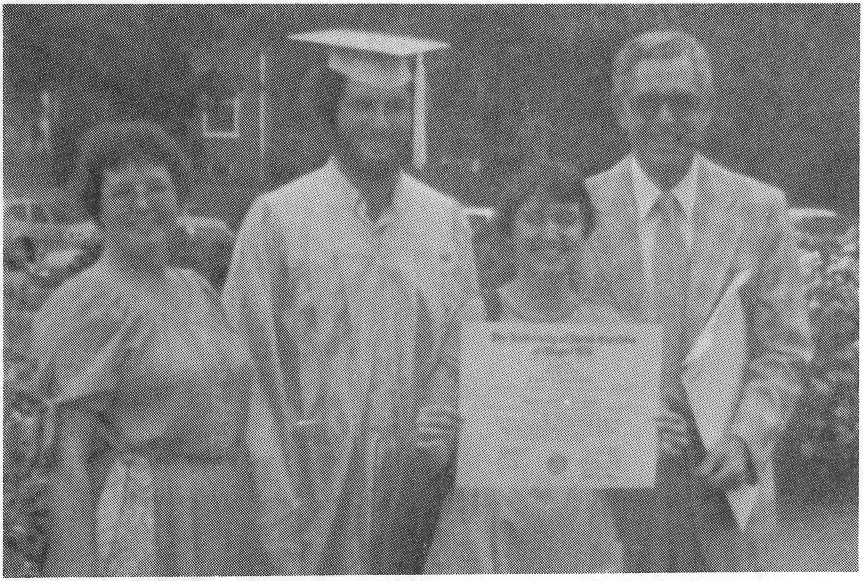
Earl and Ruby Wicker, grandchildren, Dawn and Crissy.



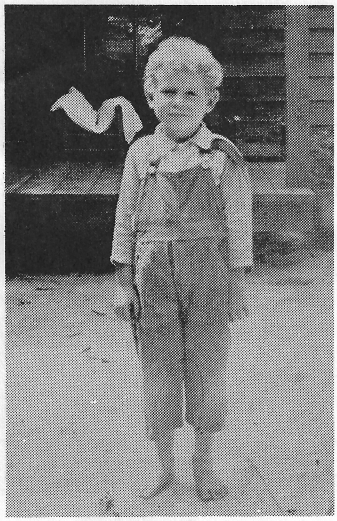
Ronnie Wicker Family — Debby, Matthew, Dawn and Crissy.



Angus Johnson



Neill Johnson Family — Betty, Cameron, April and Neill.



Neill Johnson



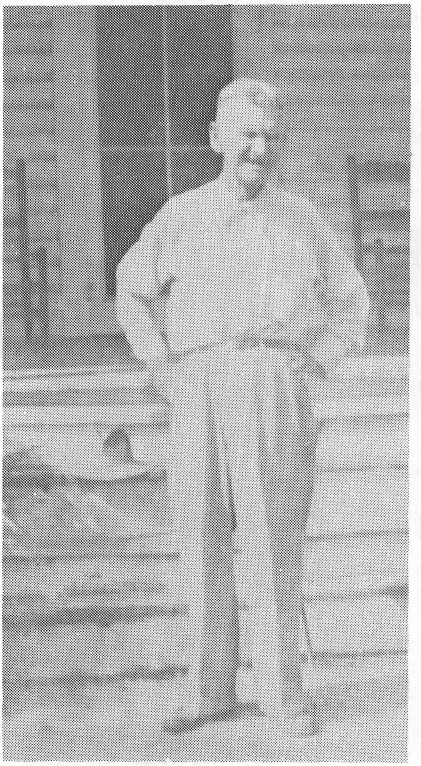
Mary Catherine Johnson



Milner Watson Family — Kevin, David Neill, Lori Webb Watson, James Greg, Mary Catherene, Emory Milner and Mitch.



The McFadyen Home



Alex McFadyen



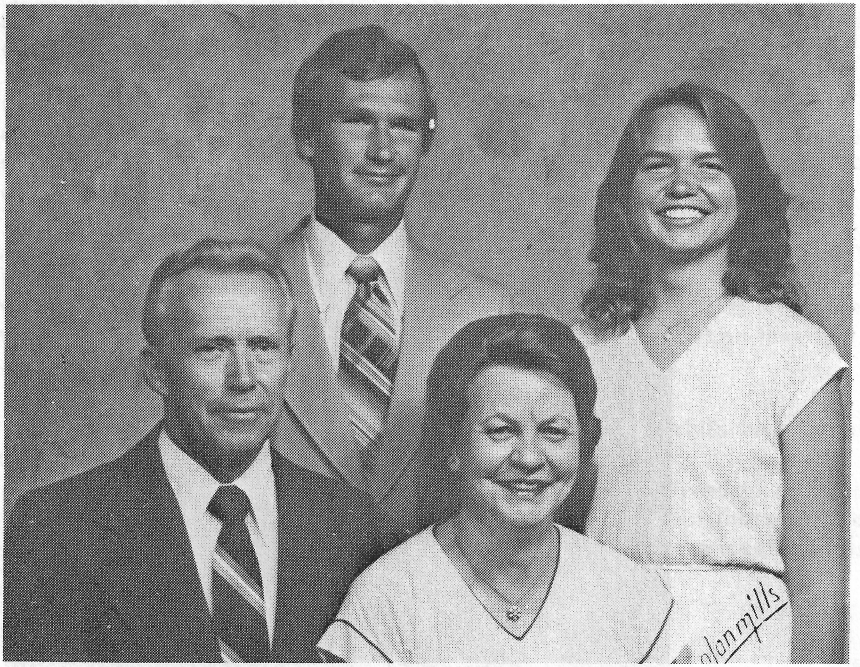
Mr. and Mrs. Elvis McCarter
Mrs. McCarter is a descendent of George A. Stewart who went to Albama as a young man and settled there.



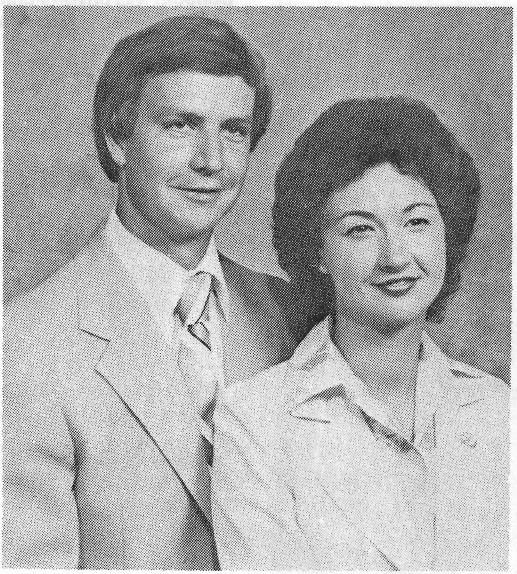
Fannie McFadyen children — Dougald, Iris, Ruth, Sarah Black and Fannie.



The J.L. Johnson Family — J.D. and Wilma, Ruth and Lock, Irene and Jimmy. Back row: Eugene and Lena Mae Collins, Bonnie Cole, Frances and Cecil Baker.



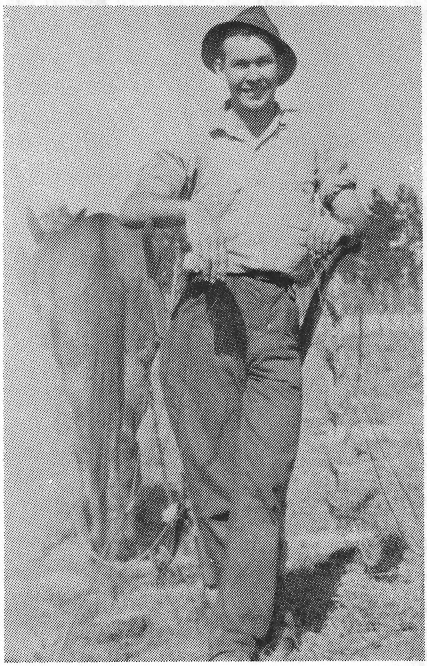
Homer Barnes Family — Homer and Sarah, Thomas and Marcia.



David and Michelle Barnes



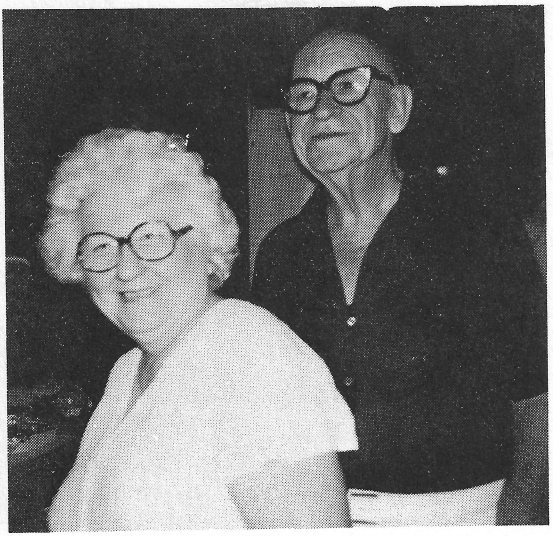
Dougald McFadyen Family — Mary Etta, Dougald, Pat, Stewart and Jane.



Dougald McFadyen



Bill Spivey Family — Beth, Bill Iris, Steven, Michael and Gregory.



Gladys and Carl Stewart