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**Descendants of  
John Hager**

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1-**John Hager**, son of **Hans Jönsson**<sup>1</sup> and **Anna Jönsdotter**<sup>1</sup>, was born on 15 Apr 1837 in Örsjö Väderqvarnen, Örsjö Parish, Malmöhus County, Skåne Province, Sweden,<sup>2</sup> died on 27 Nov 1891 in Birmingham, Jefferson County, Alabama,<sup>3</sup> at age 54, and was buried on 28 Nov 1891 in Oak Hill Cemetery, Birmingham, Alabama.<sup>4</sup> Other names for John were Jöns Hagerlöf<sup>5</sup> and Jöns Hansson.<sup>1</sup>

General Notes: 1856 - Jöns moves from Kropps Jorden, Skivarp Parish to Bösarps Parish, Malmöhus County, Skåne Province

1856 - Jöns Hansson moves from Vestra Virestad, Bösarps Parish, to Ultuna [Ultuna farm college], Helga Trefaldighet Parish, Uppsala County, Uppland Province

1857 - Jöns Hansson Hagerlöf is in Ultuna farm college, Helga Trefaldighet Parish, Uppsala County, Uppland Province. He is foreman pupil and comes from Bösarps Parish

19-Oct-1861 - foreman pupil Jöns Hansson Hagerlöf moves from Ultuna farm college, Helga Trefaldighet Parish, to Vist parish, Östergötland County & Province.

1-Sep-1861 - Bokhållare (clerk) Jöns Hagerlöf moves to Säby, Vist Parish, from Öhrsjö.

28-Sep-1863 - Jöns Hagerlöf, bokhållare (clerk) moves from Vist Parish to Berga Gård (Berga Farm), Ununge Parish, Stockholm County, Uppland Province

26-Mar-1864 - Jöns Hagerlöf moves from Berga Gård, Ununge Parish, to Stockholm.

1866 - dau. Anna is born - Jöns is an inspector.

3-Oct-1866 - Jöns Hagerlöf, with wife and 1 child, moves from Klara Parish (Stockholm) to Robertsfors Parish, Västerbotten County & Province

1867 - son Karl is born. Father J. Hagerlöf is a farm inspector.

1869 - the family moves from Robertsfors Parish to Nysätra Parish [either Uppsala or Västerbotten, probably Västerbotten]. [7]

Jöns changed his surname to Hagerlöf about 1857. He was the only one of his siblings to change his surname from the patronymic Hansson (for his father Hans) to Hagerlöf.

John was born in Skona, Sweden, in 1836, was reared there, graduated from a college with a degree in civil engineering and followed his profession until 1870. While there he served in the regular army. Coming to the United States he spent a year in New Jersey, then lived on a farm near Greensboro, [Hale County] Alabama, and then identified himself with some of the pioneering activities at the foundation of the modern city of Birmingham, practicing as civil engineer until he retired in 1880. As a civil engineer, he was identified with the survey of the Birmingham & Nashville Railway from Birmingham, North, in association with Colonel John T. Milner. He was a republican and a member of the Lutheran Church. John Hager died at Birmingham in 1890. [2]

John T Milner was a civil engineer commissioned by the Alabama State Legislature in 1858 to survey and locate a railroad connecting the Tennessee and Alabama Rivers. This became the South and North Alabama Railroad. Mr. Milner was elected chief engineer of the railroad in 1858 and continued in that capacity until the railroad became part of the Louisville & Nashville RR system in 1872. [1] Given the time frame when John Milner worked on the railroad, and when John Hager immigrated to the United States (abt 1870) and when he came to Alabama (by 1872), it seems unlikely that John worked on this railroad as described in the History of Alabama cited above.

John changed his name from the original Swedish of Hagerlief (related by John Hager ? (b. 1904)) or Hagerlaf, as Marie Hager Anderson related it to Karlene Hager Trimble.

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It is very likely that the family immigrated in September - October 1869. The family found on the immigration records is a close but not exact match.

Departing Köpenhamn (Copenhagen, Denmark) 18 September 1869, destination New York.

Arrived in New York on 26 October 1869 on the ship SS Fulton.

Johan Hagerlöf, born about 1837 from Sverrig/Sweden (Swedish Emigration Records) or 1839 from Denmark (NY Passenger lists), landmand (Danish/Swedish for farmer)

Anna Hagerlöf, born abt 1839 (SER), or 1838 (NY Passenger lists), wife

Ida Hagerlöf, age 3, born abt 1866

Edle Hagerlöf, 6 months, born 1869

[5, 6]

In 1870 (20 July 1870) John Haggerty is living in Oxford township, Warren County, New Jersey. He is 33 (born about 1837), a laborer, and was born in Sweden as were his wife and children. John's wife Mary is 31, born about 1839, daughter Anna, 4, born about 1866, and son Charles, 1, born 1869. Also in the house is Hedrig Swvering, female, 24, also from Sweden. The names, ages (except for Mary/Marie), and birthplaces all match our Hagers.

The Hagers were in Alabama by August 1872 when daughter Bessie was born.

In the 1880 Census, John and Mary C Hager are living in the village of Warrior, Jefferson County, Alabama. John is 45 (born about 1835) and a carpenter. He was out of work for 2 months during the year. Mary is 43 (born about 1837). Both are from Sweden. Their children Annie, Charles, and Bettie [Bessie] are living with them. Annie and Charles were born in Sweden. Bessie was born in Alabama.

Found on the Bureau of Land Management web site was the sale 79 acres of government land to a John Hager of Jefferson County, Alabama. The sale was recorded October 30, 1882. The county where the land was located is not recorded, only it's location in relation to the Huntsville Meridian line.

By 1883 the Hagers are possibly in Decatur, Morgan County, Alabama. Daughter Annie marries Henry Jordan in Decatur in December 1883.

John moves to Birmingham about 1889. He owned a grocery store at 829 18th [Street], and lived there as well. [3]

In 1891 John's son-in-law Henry L Jordan and daughter Annie are living with him. [3]

John died at his home at 829 Eighteenth street at 11:10 in the evening of November 27, 1891. He came to Birmingham several years previously. John's funeral service was held at the Central Presbyterian church at 3:00 in the afternoon of November 28. [4]

[1] 1913 essay by Mrs. John C Henley submitted to the Pioneer Club and re-printed in the Pioneer publication of the Oak Hill (Cemetery) Memorial Association in Spring 2003

[2] History of Alabama and Her People, 1927 - listing for Charles J. Hager, Vol III

[3] Birmingham City Directories, 1889, 1890, 1891, Birmingham City Library (John Hager 1889 & 1891, John Hagger 1890)

[4] Birmingham Age-Herald, 28 Nov 1891, pages 3 & 4, Birmingham City Library - 2 articles - John Hayler & John Haigler; address is the same as for John Hager in the city directories

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[5] Swedish Emigration Records, 1783-1951 (Ancestry.com)

[6] New York Passenger Lists, 1820-1957 (Ancestry.com)

[7] Ulf Westberg, research w/ Sweden records

Notes: Tom Moxley thought the Hagers may have settled in West Virginia when they first came to America, where there was a strong coal mining industry. The known facts do not support this. There is no documentation to date that John worked in the coal industry. Only son Charles worked in coal.

Noted events in his life were:

- Immigration: Abt 1870.
- Alt. Burial: 27 Nov 1891, Oak Hill Cemetery, Birmingham, Alabama. <sup>6</sup>

John married **Christina Maria "Marie" Högländer**,<sup>7</sup> daughter of **Johannes Högländer**<sup>9</sup> and **Christina "Stina" Carlsdotter**,<sup>10</sup> on 24 Dec 1865 in Klara Parish, Stockholm, Sweden.<sup>8</sup> Christina was born on 30 Mar 1836 in Slåthult, Fliseryd Parish, Kalmar County, Småland Province, Sweden,<sup>11</sup> died on 6 Dec 1908 in Atlanta, Fulton County, Georgia,<sup>12</sup> at age 72, and was buried on 10 Dec 1908 in Oak Hill Cemetery, Birmingham, Alabama. <sup>6</sup> Another name for Christina was Kristina Maria Högländer.<sup>11</sup> They had four children: **Annie Mae, Karl Adolf Fritiof, Charles Jacob, and Bessie Lee.**

Marriage Notes: John and Marie probably met at the Ultuna farm college about 1861.

General Notes: 12-Apr-1861 - Mamsell (Miss) Chr. Maria Högländer moves from Flugenä, Frödinge Parish, Kalmar County, Småland Province, to Ultuna [farm college] [ Helga Trefaldighet Parish, Uppsala County, Uppland Province]

1860 - Mamsell Chr. Maria Högländer comes to Ultuna farm college, Helga Trefaldighet Parish, from Frödinge Parish.

24-Oct-1861 - pupil Christina Maria Högländer moves from Ultuna farm college, Helga Trefaldighet Parish, to Vist Parish, Östergötland County & Province.

1862 (Dec?) - Dairymaid Christina Maria Högländer moves from Säby, Vist Parish, to Stockholm. [5]

Marie was about 5 months pregnant with daughter Annie when she married Jöns.

After her husband John's death in 1891, Marie returned to Sweden, probably accompanied by her son Charles. Marie and Charles left Göteborg (Gothenburg, Sweden) on 28 October 1892 for the United States. They arrived in New York City November 17, 1892, on the ship Ethiopia, sailing from Glasgow. Marie (Mary on the passenger list) is a citizen of the United States, born in Sweden, and her most recent residence was in Sweden. Accompanying them were Marie's sister Fredericka Swenson and her three young sons. [1, 4]

In 1893 Mrs Mary Hager is living in Birmingham in the Woodlawn station area with her daughter Annie and son-in-law Henry L Jordan, and Marie's sister Mrs Frederic Swenson. [2]

In the 1900 Census, Marie Hager is living in Kingdom township, Bibb Co, Alabama, with her son Charles. Marie is 63 years old and widowed. She was born in Sweden and immigrated in 1869. Marie has had 5 children, 3 are living.

Marie died in Atlanta, Georgia, on December 6 1908 at the home of her daughter Annie Hager Jordan, at 9:30 o'clock in the evening. She was surrounded by her children. Services were

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conducted at the Jordan home by Presbyterian minister Rev. Dr. Brill. Marie's remains were then taken to the train to be taken to Birmingham for burial. She was buried at Oak Hill on December 8 with Rev I F Swallow of First Presbyterian church of Bessemer to conduct the graveside service. [3]

- [1] Ship SS Ethiopia, depart Glasgow, arrive NYC 17 Nov 1892, [www.ellislandrecords.org](http://www.ellislandrecords.org)
- [2] Birmingham City Directory, 1893 (Birmingham City Library)
- [3] Birmingham Age-Herald, 7 Dec 1908 (Birmingham City Library)
- [4] Swedish Emmigration Records, 1783-1951 (Ancestry.com)
- [5] Ulf Westberg, research w/ Sweden records

Noted events in her life were:

- Alt. Birth: 7 Mar 1836, Smoland, Sweden. <sup>13</sup>
- Immigration: Abt 1870.

2-**Annie Mae Hager** was born on 8 Apr 1866 in Klara Parish, Stockholm, Sweden, <sup>14</sup> died on 7 Jul 1960 in Birmingham, Jefferson County, Alabama, <sup>15</sup> at age 94, and was buried on 8 Jul 1960 in Oak Hill Cemetery, Birmingham, Alabama. <sup>6</sup> Another name for Annie was Anna Maria Oskara Hagerlöf. <sup>14</sup>

General Notes: Sponsors at her birth - farmer Hans Hagerlöf [probably Annie's grandfather Hans Jönsson] and his wife, warrant officer Johan[nes] Högländer, Mrs M. Lindström, Inspect. J. Högländer (Johan Alfred, brother of Christina Maria) and D? R. Hagerlöf. [3]

On the 1920 Census, Annie lists her year of immigration as 1875, she is a naturalized citizen. Her year of naturalization was not legible.

In the 1930 Census, Annie lists her year of immigration as 1870. She is a naturalized citizen.

At the time the entry for Charles Hager was written for the History of Alabama and Her People, Annie was [incorrectly] a widow, living in Bessemer, Alabama. [1]

Annie M Jordan died 7 July 1960 in Birmingham at age 94. She was the daughter of John A Hagerlief & Marie Hoglander. [2]

- [1] History of Alabama and Her People, 1927 - listing for Charles J. Hager, Vol III
- [2] Alabama Deaths 1908-1974, transcription, Family Search labs
- [3] Ulf Westberg, research w/ Sweden records

Noted events in her life were:

- Alt. Birth: 6 Apr 1866, Sweden. <sup>16</sup>
- Immigration: Abt 1870.
- Alt. Death: 13 Jul 1960, Birmingham, Jefferson County, Alabama. <sup>16</sup>

Annie married **Henry Lee Jordan**, son of **Edward Jordan** and **Mary Cockrell**, on 23 Dec 1883 in Decatur, Morgan County, Alabama. <sup>17</sup> Henry was born on 17 Aug 1856 in Columbia, Tennessee, <sup>18</sup> died on 7 Jun 1931 in Birmingham, Jefferson County, Alabama, <sup>19</sup> at age 74, and was buried on 9 Jun 1931 in Oak Hill Cemetery, Birmingham, Alabama. <sup>6</sup> They had no children.

Marriage Notes: Annie and Henry did not have any children. [John Hager's notes]



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Joseph Swenson and his mother lived with Annie Hager and Henry Jordan in Atlanta after they immigrated from Sweden. Joseph's other two brothers lived with Bessie Hager & her husband George Stevenson and Charles Hager and his family. In appreciation for all the things Henry Jordan did for him, Joe took Jordan as his middle name. [Karlene Hager Trimble]

Their nephew and Henry's namesake, Henry Jordan Hager attended 2nd and 3rd grades at Ira Street School in Atlanta, Georgia, while living with them. Uncle Henry signed his report cards. [report cards]

General Notes: Henry's parents were Edward Jordan, born in Virginia, and Mary Cockrell, born in Kentucky. [4]

Henry Jordan was a conductor for the Southern Railway Company for thirty years. [3]

Henry Jordan was a pioneer of Birmingham and was associated with its railroads for more than 50 years. He was employed by the Louisville & Nashville Railroad when it had a box car for a station here. Later he became associated with the Southern Railway and continued this service for more than 40 years. He retired about 1921. [Obituary 1]

Henry and Annie married in Decatur, Alabama, in 1883.

By 1891, Henry and Annie have moved to Birmingham and are living with John Hager at 829 18th street. Henry is a conductor for GPRR - Georgia Pacific Railroad. [1]

In 1893 Henry L Jordan is a conductor on the Georgia Pacific Railroad. He is living in Woodlawn. His mother-in-law and her sister, Mrs Mary Hager and Mrs Frederic Swenson are also living with him. In 1895 Henry is a conductor for the Southern Railway. [1]

In the 1900 Census, Henry L Jordan is living at 5327 2nd Ave South in Woodland, Jefferson Co, Alabama. He is 43 years old, born in Tennessee, and a railroad conductor. His father was born in Virginia and his mother in Tennessee. Living with him is his wife Annie M, 34, born in Sweden. They have been married 16 years and have no children. Living with them is Annie's aunt Frederick Swenson (Freode Swinson on the census), and Frederick's son Joe.

By 1908, Henry, Annie, Marie Hager, Fredericka Swenson, and Joe Swenson are living in Atlanta, Georgia, at 87 Richardson street. Marie Hager passes away at their home on 6 December 1908. [2]

In the 1910 Census, Henry Lee Jordan is living in Atlanta, Georgia, on Richardson Street. He is 53 years old and a conductor for the railroad. He was born in Tennessee, his father in Virginia and his mother in Tennessee. Living with him are his wife Annie M, 44, born in Sweden, and aunt Frederick (or Fredericka) Swenson, 55, born in Sweden. Henry and Annie have been married for 26 years and have had no children.

In the 1920 Census, Henry is living in Atlanta on Howard Street. Living with him is his wife Annie, and "Fraedeck Sevson", Fredericka Swenson. Although Fredericka is listed as a roomer, she is Annie's aunt, and the mother of Joseph Swenson, whom Henry raised. Henry is a railroad conductor. Henry's birthplace is listed as Georgia, and his parents' as Tennessee.

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In the 1930 Census, Henry and Annie are living in Bessemer, Jefferson County, Alabama, in the house of Annie's sister and brother-in-law George and Bessie Stevenson. They are listed as boarders. Henry is apparently retired - his occupation is listed as "none". Henry lists his birthplace as Tennessee, and his parents' birthplaces as Virginia and Kentucky.

Henry and Annie were living with, or perhaps staying with during his illness, their foster son Joseph Swenson when Henry passed away in 1931. Henry died at the home of his foster son Joseph Swenson at 55 Southwood Road. [Obituary 1 & 2] Southwood Road is in the Vestavia Hills area of Birmingham.

[1] Birmingham City Directory, 1891, 1893, 1895, 1896, 1897 (Birmingham City Library)

[2] Birmingham Age-Herald, 7 Dec 1908 (Birmingham City Library)

[3] History of Alabama and Her People, 1927 - listing for Charles J. Hager, Vol III

[4] Alabama Deaths 1816-1957 (transcription) (Family Search Labs)

2-**Karl Adolf Fritiof Hagerlöf**<sup>20</sup> was born on 13 Nov 1867 in Robertsfors Bruk, Robertsfors Parish, Västerbotten County & Province, Sweden<sup>20</sup> and died on 26 Jul 1868 in Robertsfors Bruk, Robertsfors Parish, Västerbotten County & Province, Sweden.<sup>21</sup>

General Notes: Parish witnesses for Karl's birth include: B. Högländer (Betty Amalia) [his aunt], who lived with the family. [1]

[1] Ulf Westberg, research w/ Sweden records

2-**Charles Jacob Hager**<sup>22</sup> was born on 3 May 1869 in Robertsfors Parish, Västerbotten County & Province, Sweden,<sup>23</sup> was christened on 11 May 1869 in Robertsfors Parish, Västerbotten County & Province, Sweden,<sup>24</sup> died on 12 Apr 1936 in Flat Creek, Walker County, Alabama,<sup>25</sup> at age 66, and was buried on 14 Apr 1936 in Oak Hill Cemetery, Birmingham, Alabama.<sup>6</sup> The cause of his death was suicide - self-inflicted gunshot. Another name for Charles was Karl Jacob Hagerlöf.<sup>23</sup>

General Notes: Charles was born in Umea, Sweden, May 3, 1869, and was brought by his parents to this country a year later. [8]

He came to the United States from Sweden with his family in 1871 and settled in Alabama that year. [9] Or about 15 November 1870, arriving in New York from Gatenberg, Sweden. [13]

Charles Hager spent his boyhood days at Decatur, Alabama, attending public schools there. He was graduated from high school in 1889 and during 1891 was a student in Smith's Business College, an affiliated institution of the University of Kentucky. After spending a year in the offices of the Louisville & Nashville Railway at Decatur, he entered the employ of the DeBardleben Coal & Iron Co. at Bessemer. He remained with the same company when a year later it was taken over by the Tennessee Coal, Iron, & Railway Company and was in the service of that great industrial corporation until 1898, acting as yard master. Following that he was assistant superintendent of mines at Belle Ellen for Bessemer Coal, Iron & Land Company until 1904. For two years he was a mine superintendent in Kentucky, and his varied experience as a superintendent of coal mines has extended to many localities in Kentucky, Alabama, and Virginia.

In 1921 Mr. Hager became mine superintendent at Maxine, Alabama, for the Pratt

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Consolidated Coal Company. In 1924 the Pratt Company was absorbed by Alabama By-Products Corporation. In the meantime, in 1922 Mr. Hager had transferred to Cordova, where he has since practiced as a superintendent of the Ruby Mine, owned and operated by Alabama By-Products Corporation. This mine has a capacity of five hundred tons of bituminous coal a day, and there are one hundred and fifty employees at the Ruby Mine.

Mr. Hager is owner of farm and mineral lands on Shade Mountain in Jefferson County. His particular service to the government at the time of the World war was in speeding up coal production and for a period of nearly three years, he put in eighteen hours a day under the pressure of extraordinary responsibilities. He is a democrat, a member of the Presbyterian Church at Cordova, and in Masonry is affiliated with Blocton Chapter, Royal Arch Masons, Tuscaloosa Commandery No. 13 Knights Templar and Zamora Temple of the Mystic Shrine at Birmingham. He is a member of the Cordova Kiwanis Club. [8]

He was a pioneer in the coal mining industry in Alabama. With the exception of five years spent in Kentucky and Virginia his work has been confined to mining in Alabama. [9]

Charles' son, Henry, was a life-long employee of Alabama By-Products Corp. [7]

While a young man, Charles worked for a sawmill. Someone was stealing from the sawmill, so Charles was given the task to guard the mill at night and catch this thief. The thief returned, and Charles ended up killing him. Charles' mother Marie thought the best thing in this situation was for Charles to "return home to Sweden". Which he did for some time. [3] Charles left Göteborg (Gothenburg, Sweden) on 28 October 1892 for the United States. Charles arrived in New York City November 17, 1892, on the ship Ethiopia, sailing from Glasgow, with his mother Marie Hager. Charles is a citizen of the United States, born in Sweden, and his most recent residence was in Sweden. Charles is a lumber dealer. Marie's sister Fredericka Swenson (or Svensson) and her three young sons immigrated with them on that trip. [4, 10]

Tom Moxley's (Charles's future grandson-in-law) grandfather Moxley worked for Charles at Belle Ellen mine when the Moxley's first came to Alabama. [Tom Moxley]

When first wife Lillian died in January 1900, Charles was time keeper for the Bessemer Land and Improvement company at Belle Ellen. [11]

In the 1900 Census, Charles J Hager is living in Kingdom township, Bibb County, Alabama. He is 31, widowed, and born in Sweden. Charles is a post master. Living with him is his mother Marie Hager, 63. Charles and Marie immigrated in 1869. Also living with them is William (no last name listed), 17, a black house boy. Living nearby (on the previous census page) is William Herbert and his family. William's daughter Maggie and Charles would marry in 1902.

Charles and Maggie probably lived in Belle Ellen for a year after their marriage. Letters from William Herbert to Maggie and Charles in September and October 1903 indicate they moved out of state, passing through Chattanooga on their way. They may have moved to Kentucky as indicated in Charles' biography in the History of Alabama.

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Charles was in Walker County, Alabama, in 1904 and 1906 when sons John and Henry were born.

At the time his mother Marie Hager died in Atlanta in Decemebr 1908, Charles is living at Belle Ellen in Bibb County, Alabama. [1]

In the 1910 Census, Charles is living in Birmingham, Alabama. He is 39 years old, and a manager at a coal mine. Living with him is his wife Maggie (looks like Mattie on the census), 25, and children John W, 5, Henry J, 3, and Marie H, 1. Charles was born in Sweden and immigrated in 1877. He is a naturalized citizen. Maggie was born in Ohio and the children in Alabama. Living next door is Maggie's sister Sadie and her husband Edwin Lykes and their children.

In 1913 Charles Jacob Hager, mine superintendent, living in Birmingham, declared his intention to become a US citizen. [13]

In 1917 Charles Jacob Hager completed his Petition for Naturalization in Birmingham. He was living in Bessemer (Jefferson County) and a mine supt. He came to the US about 15 November 1870 and resided in Alabama since 5 June 1871. Charles' petition included the names, birthdates and birth places of his children. The petition was deinined in 1919 because Charles did not appear at the hearing. [14]

Charles and his family remained in Alabama until 1916 when son Charles was born in Alabama. They were in Virginia in 1918 when son Herbert was born. In 1920 they were in Tennessee.

In October 1918, they were apparently in the Appalachia, Wise County, Virginia, area, as son Herbert was born there on 3 October. [16, 17]

In 1920, Charles is living in Grundy County, Tennessee. He is 51, born in Sweden, and is a foreman for a coal mine. Living with Charles are his wife Maggie, 35, born in Ohio, her parents in Wales, and children Henry J, 13, Margaret, 7, Charles J Jr, 4 years & 8 months, and Herbert, 1 year and 3 months. All the children were born in Alabama, except Herbert who was born in Virginia. Charles' and Maggie's children John, Marie, and George are not living with them. It is not yet known where they were living in 1920. [2]

Today (early 21st century) southern Grundy County is home to the town of Monteagle, along Interstate 24, west of Chattanooga.

Charles and his family were back in Alabama by spring 1921 when son Paul was born.

In the 1930 Census, Charles is living at Flat Creek, Walker County, Alabama. He is 60 years old, born in Sweden, and the superintendent of a coal mine. Living with him are his wife Maggie, age 45 & born in Ohio, and seven of their children. The children are Marie, age 20, George, 18, Margurite, 16, Charles Jr, 13, Herbert, 11, Paul, 8, and Clifton, 6. All the children were born in Alabama except Herbert. Herbert's birthplace was illegible except it ended in "ia". The 1920 Census showed Herbert as born in Virginia.

Charles loved his daughter Marie the best. He even favored her over wife Maggie, and

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probably used Marie to be cruel to Maggie. One time, he promised to take Maggie in to town. While she waited on the porch for him, he drove by without stopping with Marie and her friends in the car, taking them to town. [15]

Charles was bed-ridden for one month prior to his death. He had emphysema, and his doctor told him he would not get better. He committed suicide on Easter Sunday, 1936, shooting himself in the head. His son John found him. [5]

I remember Catharine Phillips Hager (wife of Henry Hager) telling me that she, Henry, and daughter Jane went to Flat Creek for Easter 1936. Henry had been sick that winter so Catharine drove. The seats in the cars did not adjust back then, and being 8 months pregnant with Sara, the steering wheel rubbed against her abdomen the whole way. While almost everyone was out of the house either celebrating Easter or at an Easter egg hunt, Charles shot himself in the head in the bathroom. Henry was in the house at the time, since he was still recovering. [7]

Charles lived for several hours after he shot himself. He was conscious and continued to give orders like he always did. [6]

Charles wrote a suicide note before he shot himself:

My health is gone

I am out of work

So I will end it all I don't want to be a burden

Bell - undertaker

Private funeral - no flowers

Charles was still living in company housing at the Flat Creek mine when he died. Based on his suicide note, he may have just been told by the company that they were letting him go.

[1] Birmingham Age-Herald, 7 Dec 1908 (Birmingham City Library)

[2] 1920 Census, TN, Grundy Co, ED 38, sheet 11A, listed on census as George J Hager

[3] Jane Hager Reuther, May 2001

[4] Ship SS Ethiopia, depart Glasgow, arrive NYC 17 Nov 1892,  
[www.ellislandrecords.org](http://www.ellislandrecords.org)

[5] Karlene Hager Trimble

[6] Phillip Hager & Sara Hager Moxley to Catherine Reuther, October 2007

[7] Catherine Reuther

[8] History of Alabama and Her People, 1927 - listing for Charles J. Hager, Vol III

[9] obituary, Charles Hager

[10] Swedish Emmigration Records, 1783-1951 (Ancestry.com)

[11] Age Herald, Birmingham, AL, 30-Jan-1900 (Genealogybank.com)

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[13] Selected US Naturalization Records 1790-1974 (Ancestry.com), Declaration of Intention, 1 Apr 1913

[14] Alabama Naturalization Records 1909-1991 (images) (Ancestry.com)

[15] Final Hager Reunion Committee call, 5 Jul 2017, Janis Kilgore, Margaret Parsons & Karlene Trimble to Catherine Reuther

[16] Alabama [selected] County Marriages 1809-1950 (images) (FamilySearch.org),

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Herbert Hager (b. 3 Oct 1918, Appalachia, VA) to Clotyle Beryle Smith, 14 Feb 1941 [17] Virginia Birth Records 1912-2014, Delayed Birth Record 1854-1911 (Ancestry.com), Herbert Hager, b. 3 Oct 1918, Wise Co

Noted events in his life were:

- Alt. Birth: 3 May 1869, Umeå, Västerbotten county, Sweden.<sup>26</sup>
- Emigration: 1870.<sup>27</sup>

Charles married **Lillian Milner**, daughter of **Elisha C Milner** and **Mary Caroline Brown**, on 6 Dec 1896 in Woodlawn, Jefferson County, Alabama.<sup>27</sup> Lillian was born on 26 Feb 1878 in Georgiana, Butler County, Alabama,<sup>28</sup> died on 29 Jan 1900 in Belle Ellen mines, Bibb County, Alabama,<sup>29</sup> at age 21, and was buried on 31 Jan 1900 in Oak Hill Cemetery, Birmingham, Alabama.<sup>6</sup> They had two children: **Carl** and **infant**.

General Notes: Lillian is probably the Lillian Milner, age 3 born about 1877, found in the 1880 Census (familysearch.org). She was born in Alabama. Her parents were Elisha and Mary C. Milner, age 48 and 45. They were living in Georgiana, Butler County, AL, with their 8 children, age 23 to 3. No occupation is listed for Elisha.

This family is reportedly headed by Mary C Bowman [should be Brown] and Elisha C Milner. They married in Pike County, Georgia, on 16 November 1852. [5, 6]

Lillian's mother Mrs E Milner, of Woodlawn (Birmingham) is listed as one of her survivors as is her brothers Mr A E Milner and Mr E C Milner, both appear with the Milner family on the 1880 Census. [4]

Lillian Milner's father surveyed and laid out part of Birmingham, Alabama. John Hager (her future father-in-law) worked with him laying out the railroad. The Milner family may be buried at Oak Hill Cemetery, Birmingham, Alabama. [2] It is not certain that Lillian's father worked on the railroad, and he may have been confused with the more famous John T Milner. [CAR]

John T. Milner and his family were also found in the 1880 Census in Jefferson County. John is 53 years old, and a Civil Engineer. He was born in Georgia, the same as Elisha Milner. He is married to Florrie, age 41. Living with them are their three daughters and one son. One of the daughters is named Lillian, age 18.

Members of both of the Elisha and John Milner families appear to be buried in Oak Hill Cemetery. [3]

Mrs Hager, wife of Charles J Hager, died suddenly at Belle Ellen of heart failure on 30 January 1900. Her mother and mother-in-law were both with her when she died. She was a woman of very sweet and amiable character, and was much loved by all who came in contact with her. [4]

Lillian actually died after childbirth with her second child, [1] who is buried with her and son Carl at Oak Hill Cemetery.

The internment records for Oak Hill Cemetery show the following ages at death and internment dates for Lillian and her children:

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Lillian, 22 yrs, Jan 31 1900  
Lillian's gravestone incorrectly records her death as 29 January 1899  
Carl, 1 yr, June 20, 1899  
infant, S.B. [still born], Jan 26, 1900

[1] Karlene Hager Trimble  
[2] Source: Catharine Phillips Hager, October 25, 1989  
[3] Oak Hill Cemetary internment records transcription  
[4] Age Herald, Birmingham, AL, 30-Jan-1900 & 31-Jan-1900 (Genealogybank.com)  
[5] Rootsweb tree, Stirk-London Families, Kate Stirk  
[6] Alabama Deaths 1908-1974 (FamilySearch.org), Mary Caroline Milner, d. 27 Jan 1913, Woodlawn, age 80, 6m, 12 d., par Thomas Brown & Rebecca Brown  
Georgia County Marriages 1785-1950 (images) (FamilySearch.org), Elisha C Milner to Mary C Brown, 16 Nov 1852, Pike Co

Noted events in her life were:

- Alt. Death: 29 Jan 1899, Belle Ellen mines, Bibb County, Alabama.<sup>12</sup>
- Alt. Death: 30 Jan 1900, Belle Ellen mines, Bibb County, Alabama.<sup>30</sup>

3-**Carl Hager**<sup>16</sup> was born on 18 Jul 1897,<sup>16</sup> died on 20 Jun 1899,<sup>31</sup> at age 1, and was buried on 20 Jun 1899 in Oak Hill Cemetery, Birmingham, Alabama.<sup>6</sup>

Noted events in his life were:

- Alt. Birth: 18 Jul 1898.
- Alt. Death: 25 Jun 1898.<sup>16</sup>

3-**infant Hager**<sup>16</sup> was born on 26 Jan 1900,<sup>31</sup> died on 26 Jan 1900,<sup>31</sup> and was buried on 26 Jan 1900 in Oak Hill Cemetery, Birmingham, Alabama.<sup>6</sup> The cause of death was stillborn.

General Notes: This infant died at birth. [Karlene Hager Trimble]

The Oak Hill Cemetery internment records record this infant as "S.B.", for still born.

Noted events in her life were:

- Alt. Birth: 1899.<sup>16</sup>
- Alt. Birth: 29 Jan 1899.<sup>32</sup>
- Alt. Death: 1899.

Charles next married **Maggie Herbert**, daughter of **William Herbert** and **Margaret Hopkins**, on 19 Nov 1902 in Belle Ellen mines, Bibb County, Alabama.<sup>33</sup> Maggie was born on 2 Oct 1884 in Bridgeport, Belmont County, Ohio,<sup>34</sup> died on 16 Sep 1967 in Birmingham, Jefferson County, Alabama, at age 82, and was buried on 18 Sep 1967 in Oak Hill Cemetery, Birmingham, Alabama.<sup>6</sup> They had nine children: **John William, Henry Jordan, Marie Herbert, George Stevenson, Marguerite, Charles Jacob "Bunk," Herbert, Paul, and Clifton Hayes.**

Marriage Notes: Based on letters from William Herbert to daughter Maggie, Charles and Maggie were married sometime between January 1902 and September 1903.

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Noted events in their marriage were:

- Alt. Marriage: 22 Nov 1904, Belle Ellen mines, Bibb County, Alabama.<sup>27</sup>

General Notes: Maggie was born at either Bridgeport or Martins Ferry, Ohio, both in Belmont County.

Margaret completed her education at Judson College, Marion, Alabama. [4]

When her husband Charles killed himself on Easter Sunday, 1936, Maggie's sister Mable and her family were visiting. When the shot inside the house was heard, Maggie said, "Oh no, he's done it." [5]

After Charles died in 1936, the oldest children, John, Henry, Marie, George, and Marguerite helped financially to support Maggie and their younger brothers. [1]

In 1940 Maggie H Hager is living in Birmingham. She is 55, widowed, and has had one year of college. Living with her are daughter Marie, Charles J Jr, Herbert, Paul & Clifton, and daughter & granddaughter Marguerite and Marjorie Japp. [6]

Maggie had long hair that reached to her fanny that she always wore in a bun. [5]

Her great-niece remembered that she always had salt cellars on the table. [5]

Maggie had breast cancer that had spread to her lung. The doctors operated but any other treatment she might have had is not remembered. [3] It was always said that Maggie lived 20 years after she was supposed to die, so that would mean she was diagnosed sometime in the late 1940's.

Maggie Hager was a native of Ohio and a member of the Hunter Street Baptist Church. Her last residence was at 1529 41st Street in Belview Heights, Birmingham. She was survived by her daughters Mrs John E Anderson of Lake Placid, Florida, and Mrs H B Frith of New Orleans, and her seven sons John W, Henry J, Charles J, and Paul of Birmingham, George S of Jasper, and Clifton H of Chattanooga, Tennessee. [2]

[1] Jane Hager Reuther, May 2003

[2] Birmingham News, 17 Sept 1967, p. A-26

[3] Jane Hager Reuther, Oct 2007

[4] History of Alabama and her People 1927 (bio for Charles J Hager)

[5] Junith Smitherman Koon, Oct 2007

[6] 1940 US Census, Birmingham, Jefferson Co, AL, ED 68-254, sheet 7B

Noted events in her life were:

- Alt. Birth: 22 Oct 1883.<sup>35</sup>
- Alt. Birth: 22 Oct 1884, Bridgeport, Belmont County, Ohio.<sup>36</sup>
- Alt. Birth: 22 Oct 1884, Martins Ferry, Ohio.<sup>27</sup>
- Education: Judson College, Marion, Alabama.<sup>27</sup>
- Alt. Birth: 22 Oct 1885, Martins Ferry, Belmont County, Ohio.<sup>37</sup>

**3-John William Hager**<sup>38</sup> was born on 6 Dec 1904 in Corona, Walker County,



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Alabama,<sup>39</sup> died on 27 Aug 1991 in Birmingham, Jefferson County, Alabama, at age 86, and was buried in Elmwood Cemetery, Birmingham, Alabama.

General Notes: In 1918 when John was 13 years old and the family was likely in Appalachia, Wise County, Virginia, John helped deliver food to families hit with the 1918 Spanish Flu pandemic. If a family was affected they would have a white towel or cloth outside their door. John had the job to deliver food to those homes. [1]

In the 1930 Census, John was living in Birmingham, Alabama. He was an engineer in the mining industry. He appeared to be a lodger in the house of Harold & Kathryn Wood.

After the death of his father, Charles Hager, in 1936, John took over as superintendent of the Flat Creek coal mine where Charles was super. when he died.

John left a \$5,000 bequest in his will to Oak Hill Cemetery for the perpetual care of the Hager plot. [files of Hager plot at Oak Hill]

[1] Karlenne Trimble, 2020 Apr 18, email to Catherine Reuther

Noted events in his life were:

- Graduation: University of Alabama with a Bachelor of Science in Mining Engineering, 1927, Tuscaloosa County, Alabama.<sup>40</sup>
- Occupation: Engineer and mine superintendent for Alabama By-Products, Between 1927 and 1940.<sup>40</sup>
- Occupation: Woodward Iron Company, later merged with Mead Corporation, Between 1940 and 31 Dec 1972.<sup>40</sup>
- Certificate: Mine Foreman First Class Certificate of Competency.<sup>40</sup>

John married **Emily Lucretia Owen**,<sup>32</sup> daughter of **Herndon Gaines Owen** and **Mary Sibley**, on 17 Jun 1932 in Flat Creek, Walker County, Alabama. Emily was born on 20 Oct 1906 in Russellville, Franklin County, Alabama,<sup>41</sup> died on 29 Nov 1986 in Birmingham, Jefferson County, Alabama,<sup>42</sup> at age 80, and was buried in Elmwood Cemetery, Birmingham, Alabama. They had one son: **John William "Jack"**.

**4-John William "Jack" Hager Jr.** was born on 2 Aug 1933 in Alabama,<sup>42</sup> died on 16 May 1966 in Birmingham, Jefferson County, Alabama,<sup>43</sup> at age 32, and was buried in Elmwood Cemetery, Birmingham, Alabama. The cause of his death was car wreck.

General Notes: Jack was a graduate of Auburn University and a lieutenant in the Navy for 4 years. At the time of his death he was an associate member of his uncle's architecture firm Paul Hager & Associates. He had previously worked for Davis, Speake & Thrasher. [1]

Jack was honorably discharged from the Navy May 1, 1957.

Cousin Jack was killed in a car wreck. His fiancée was badly injured, and took much time to recover.

John William Hager, Jr, was killed 16 May 1966 at 9:20 PM in a head-on collision

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on Montclair Road near Crossridge Road in Mountain Brook (Birmingham), Alabama. His passenger Jacqueline C Degaris, 31, and the driver of the other car Myrtle W Ethridge, 24, were severely injured. [1] Information indicates that Jacqueline never married (CAR 2006).

Jacqueline Claudia DeGaris, age 84, died 23 April 2019 in Birmingham. Miss DeGaris graduated from Pell City High School-1953, Monticello College-1955 (Associate of Science), University of AL-1957 (Bachelor of Science-Bacteriology) & New Orleans School of Medical Technology-1958. She worked at South Highland Pharmacy from 1958-2008 as a Medical Technologist & Pharmacy Technician. She lived in Redmont Gardens Apartments in Mountain Brook from 1958 to 2009, when she retired to Greenbriar at the Altamont. Survived by niece Lydia Pursell & nephews Annsley DeGaris Sumpter DeGaris & John DeGaris. [2]

[1] Birmingham News, 17 May 1966, p. 12 & 26, 18 May 1966, p. 14

[2] Usrey Funeral Home (Pell City, AL) (usreyfuneralhome.com), obit Jacqueline Claudia DeGaris

Noted events in his life were:

- Military: US Navy.

**3-Henry Jordan Hager** was born on 28 Oct 1906 in Burnwell Mine, between Flat Creek & Dora, Walker County, Alabama, died on 4 Nov 1985 in Birmingham, Jefferson County, Alabama, at age 79, and was buried in Elmwood Cemetery, Birmingham, Alabama.

General Notes: Henry was named for his uncle, Henry Jordan, his father Charles' sister Annie's husband.

When he was younger, Henry was known as Hank. As an adult most people called him Henry, but old friends still called him Hank. [3]

Henry attended 2nd and 3rd grades (1915-1916) at Ira Street School in Atlanta, Georgia, while living with his Aunt Annie Hager Jordan and Uncle Henry Jordan. Uncle Henry signed his report cards. Henry attended the second grade for the first 3 quarters, and was then promoted to the 3rd grade by examination (Apr 3 1916) and attended the 4th quarter of the 3rd grade. [report cards]

When he was young, Henry hoboed on a train from West Virginia to Atlanta, and came down with appendicitis on the way and almost died. His Aunt Annie Jordan lived in Atlanta, and took him to the doctor. [3]

In the 1930 Census, Henry Hager was living in Birmingham, Alabama, on Highland Avenue. He was 23 years old and an engineer, working in the mechanical industry. His roommate, or lodger on the census, was D. A. York (?), 36 years old and a physician.

Henry's first job after college was at American Cast Iron Pipe Co, in the drafting office, where future in-law Stephen Moxley (father of Henry's future son-in-law) was his boss. Stephen Moxley was later president of the company. Alabama By Products, the company Henry worked for most of his life, was a major supplier to ACIPCo. [3]

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In addition to his B.S. degree in Mining Engineering from the University of Alabama, Henry also received a Masters from the University on a research scholarship with the US Bureau of Mines. [4]

The Mine Foreman Certificate of Competency that Henry received in 1939 is required in order to be an underground mine foreman in the coal industry. Underground mining is quite hazardous. [4]

Daughter Sara and son-in-law Tom Moxley struck up a conversation with a man they met while out to dinner in Birmingham. The man happened to have worked in coal mining. Sara said her father was Henry Hager. The man said that he had been a negotiator for the union and Henry was the fairest man he ever dealt with. [1]

Henry was instrumental in getting the Negro high school built in Walker or Jefferson county. They wanted to hang his picture in the high school. Henry did not want it there as he did not want everyone to know all he did to help other people. [2]

When I was about 5 or 6, I remember Granddaddy telling this story: Once upon a time there was a band of robbers sitting around the campfire. The leader said, "Pedro, tell us a story." And Pedro said . . . Once upon a time there was a band of robbers sitting around the campfire. The leader said, "Pedro, tell us a story." And Pedro said . . . Once upon a time there was a band of robbers sitting around the campfire. The leader said, "Pedro, tell us a story." And Pedro said . . . And on and on the story would go until he couldn't repeat it any more times, or you were laughing so hard he couldn't continue. [CAR]

Grandmother and Granddaddy would occasionally drive up to Huntsville from Birmingham. Granddaddy would come in, say Hello, have a drink of whiskey, and stand around jingling the change and keys in his pockets. He had come, said hello, and now it was time to go. Grandmother, of course, needed to sit and visit for a while. [CAR]

Henry had scars on his lungs, probably from childhood T. B. (tuberculosis). He received further scarring on his lungs in the winter of 1936 from severe pneumonia. He smoked most of his life, usually in secret. [5] He died November 4, 1985, from complications after lung surgery. After surgery to remove part of his lung, a clot formed and/or broke loose and traveled to his lungs causing them to fill with fluid as if he had pneumonia. This was his second surgery to remove part of his lung. The first surgery was several years prior to the second.

[1] Sara Hager Moxley, 16 Feb 2006

[2] Sara Hager Moxley & Jane Hager Reuther, 16 Feb 2006

[3] Tom Moxley

[4] The Hager Family, Geo-Petro Notes, Jan 1980

[5] Catharine Phillips Hager to Catherine Reuther, May 30, 1988

Noted events in his life were:

- Alt. Birth: 7 Oct 1906, Burnwell Mine, between Flat Creek & Dora, Walker County, Alabama.<sup>44</sup>

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- Graduation: Walker County High School, 28 May 1924, Jasper, Walker County, Alabama.<sup>45</sup>
- Graduation: University of Alabama with a Bachelor of Science in Mining Engineering, 29 May 1928, Tuscaloosa County, Alabama.<sup>45</sup>
- Occupation: from plant foreman to executive vice president for Alabama By-Products, Between Jun 1931 and Jul 1973.<sup>40</sup>
- Certificate: Mine Foreman First Class Certificate of Competency, 28 Jul 1939.

Henry married **Catharine Elizabeth Phillips**, daughter of **Dr. Alford Byrd Phillips** and **Margaret Ferrell Terry**, on 31 Jul 1931 in Dora, Walker County, Alabama. Catharine was born on 18 Jan 1909 in Alabama, died on 22 Dec 1999 in Birmingham, Jefferson County, Alabama,<sup>46</sup> at age 90, and was buried on 24 Dec 1999 in Elmwood Cemetery, Birmingham, Alabama.<sup>46</sup> They had four children: **Jane Marie**, **Sara Ferrell**, **Henry Jordan**, and **Phillip Terry**.

Marriage Notes: Henry and Catharine were married in the yard at Dr. Phillip's house in Dora. The preacher goofed, and said "John" instead of "Henry" during the ceremony. [daughters Jane and Sara]

Catharine and Henry may have honeymooned in Chattanooga, Tennessee. [Sarah Hendrix]

A party was given by Catharine and Henry's children, Jane Hager and Calvin Reuther, Sara Hager and Tom Moxley, Henry and Sandra Nelson Hager, Jr., and Phillip Hager, in celebration of their 50th wedding anniversary on August 1, 1981, at the Vestavia Country Club in Birmingham, Alabama. [invitation]

General Notes: As a child, Catharine used to help her father out in his doctor's office.

Catharine attended Margaret Allen School for Girls in Birmingham.

In her younger days, Catharine was an artist. She painted china, as well as drawing and painting. Only 1 drawing and 2 paintings survive. Catharine left most of her artwork at Judson when she left school. A drawing of a teapot executed when she was 9 is owned by daughter Jane (as of 2012 by granddaughter Catherine Reuther). Daughter Sara owns an oil painting of wisteria, and Phillip owns an oil painting of fruit.

In 1925-1926, Catharine attended Rivers Academy/Athens College in Athens, Alabama. She graduated from there in May 1926. In 1927 Catharine was a sophomore at Chowan College in Murphreesboro, North Carolina. Cousin Margaret Murrah was Director & Coach of Athletics, and aunt Lena Terry was Professor of Home Economics that year. In 1929, Catharine was a junior at Howard College in Birmingham. Also in her class was William M Herbert, cousin of Catharine's future husband Henry Hager. [1]

Catharine taught school for a short while either before and/or after she married Henry. [Sara Moxley]

She was an excellent seamstress. Catherine could go into a store, find a dress she or her daughters liked, do a quick sketch on the street, and then go home and make the

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dress.

Listed as a survivor on her obituary was her sister-in-heart, Sarah Fleetwood Hendrix. She and Sarah met in the spring of 1914 when they were 5 years old, and remained lifelong and close friends. Sarah was known to all Catharine's children and grandchildren as Aunt Sarah.

When Catharine died, her daughter Sara had just bought her a nice nightgown and bed jacket for Christmas since Catharine was confined to bed. She was buried on Christmas Eve in her new nightgown.

[1] scrapbook and school annuals - collection of Catherine Reuther

Noted events in her life were:

- Graduation: Howard College (now Samford University), Birmingham, Jefferson County, Alabama.
- Education: Judson College, Marion, Alabama.

**4-Jane Marie Hager** was born on 15 Jun 1933 in Birmingham, Jefferson County, Alabama, died on 29 Oct 2012 in Atlanta, Fulton County, Georgia,<sup>46</sup> at age 79, and was buried on 2 Nov 2012 in Maple Hill Cemetery, Huntsville, Alabama.<sup>46</sup>

General Notes: Jane was born in 1933 in Birmingham, Alabama. She grew up in the coal mines outside of Birmingham where her father Henry was a manager at the mines.

Jane and her mother Catharine clashed from the beginning, as Jane was something of a tomboy and a troublemaker, and destined to NOT be the proper lady her mother wanted her to be.

She would do things like digging up the dead hunting dog to find out what happened to it after it died, and putting her little brother up in the top of a skinny tree, and then swinging that tree around with him hanging onto the top.

Just before she started high school, the family left the coal mines and moved to Birmingham. After high school she went to Auburn University, where she met Cal Reuther, and decided to get married. Jane always said she got married at age 19 to get away from her mother.

Jane married Cal in 1953, and when he finished school later that year, they moved across the country to Seattle, then to Pittsburgh, back to Seattle, on to Fort Walton Beach, Florida, and then to California. By then there were two children, and more than ten years had passed. And she was now on our way back to Alabama to Huntsville. They stopped moving around the country and stayed put in Alabama.

Jane always loved arts and crafts. There were always numerous craft projects going on at her house. She tried everything from ceramics to macramé to batik to copper enameling. She mastered them all. In the early 1970's she tried weaving, and fell in love with everything about it - weaving, spinning, and dyeing the yarn.

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She was a founding member and president of the Huntsville Fiber Guild, and started her own weaving business.

About 1970 Jane must have decided she could no longer wait for Cal (who never liked the beach) to take her to Florida every year. Cal taught her and their 10 or 11 year-old son how to hook up the camping trailer to the station wagon, set it up at the campground, and how to empty the holding tanks. She was never comfortable pulling into a gas station with the trailer, so she would pull off the road, change places with Russell, and that young boy would pull it up to the pump. It is amazing she convinced Cal to "let" her do it and that she made those trips for six or seven years on her own, until the trailer was wrecked in an accident.

In 1993 Jane had aneurysms in the brain, and spent a good portion of the year in and out of the hospital. After that, she gave up weaving and her business as she could no longer concentrate enough to do that.

In 2000, Cal died, and plans were made for Jane to move to Atlanta to be near her daughter Catherine and soon-to-be son-in-law Bryan Kennedy.

Between Cal's death and the move to Atlanta, Jane's future son-in-law Bryan moved in with her. They became great friends and Bryan continued to live with after he and Catherine married until Jane and Bryan both moved to Atlanta a few months later.

Jane loved living in her retirement community in Sandy Springs, Georgia. She made great friends, and went on every outing there was, especially if it involved lunch.

Jane loved, in no particular order, the beach in Florida, chocolate, good friends, family, art, travel & adventure, dogs, angels, hugs, her church, chocolate, Florida.

Noted events in her life were:

- Graduation: Shades Valley High School, 30 May 1951, Homewood, Jefferson County, Alabama.
- Height: 5 ft. 5 in.

Jane married **Calvin Russell Reuther**, son of **Russell Evans Reuther** and **Lydia Johanna Speiser**, on 7 Mar 1953 in Dawson Memorial Baptist Church, Homewood, Alabama.<sup>47</sup> Calvin was born on 16 Mar 1930 in Bridgeport, Fairfield County, Connecticut,<sup>48</sup> died on 14 Jan 2000 in Huntsville, Madison County, Alabama, at age 69, and was buried on 18 Jan 2000 in Maple Hill Cemetery, Huntsville, Alabama. The cause of his death was Multiple organ failure following heart by-pass surgery. Another name for Calvin was Cal. They had two children: **Catherine Ann** and **Russell Evans**.

General Notes: Born one month premature at 7:05 PM, weighed 4 pounds, 13 3/4 ounces, at Bridgeport Hospital [Lydia Speiser Reuther's notebook].

During college (Auburn, AL), Cal owned and flew his own airplane, an Ercoupe.

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In 1951 or 1952, Cal flew to Connecticut from Auburn through bad weather with no radio and was the only plane flying over NY. Coming back to Auburn, he developed trouble in Maryland (?). He was able to land but could not afford to fix the plane, and left it at the airport. [Jane Reuther]

During college at API Cal worked for Mr. Fortner at Jake's Joint and the Elk's Club. He met Jane at Jake's Joint. Mrs. Fortner gave Cal her recipe for Barbecue Sauce and Barbecue Basting Sauce that he used throughout his life to make fantastic barbecue chicken on the grill.

Cal graduated from Alabama Polytechnic Institute (API - later re-named Auburn University) in Auburn, Alabama, in 1953, with a Bachelors of Science degree in Electrical Engineering. His first job was across the country for Boeing in Seattle, Washington, working on the B-52 airplane. He left Boeing in 1956 for Westinghouse in Pittsburgh, PA, but was on his way back to Boeing and Seattle in 1958 when Jane was pregnant with Cathy. Just weeks after Cathy was born in September, they headed for a new assignment in Fort Walton Beach, FL, and the BOMARC missile program at Eglin AFB.

In 1963, Cal, Jane, Cathy and Russell moved to California where Cal worked on the Minuteman weapon system.

In April 1965, Cal, Jane and the children moved to Huntsville, Alabama, where Cal continued his work for Boeing, this time on the space program. He was responsible for the Boeing Saturn V Logistics Support Staff, developing a Logistics Support Plan. He was also responsible for Saturn V Logistics activities and program schedule. In 1967 he assumed responsibility for directing the preparation of the Saturn V Flight Manual, a single source reference prepared specifically for the astronauts' use.

When Boeing reduced their operations in Huntsville in 1974 (the summer President Richard Nixon resigned and the fall Cathy got her driver's license), Cal and Jane decided to stay in Huntsville rather than be transferred to another city, and Cal went to work for Sperry Corporation on tactical missile systems at MICOM. In 1980 he began a brief stint at Guest Associates providing marketing and technical representation for technically oriented customers, as well as consultation to small business through the Small Business Administration.

In 1982, Cal went back to work for Boeing on marketing management assignments for the Air Force, MSFC, MICOM, and SSCDC customers. He retired early in 1993 after Jane's brain aneurysms and surgery that year.

Early in their marriage, when they were young and poor, Cal decided to start making furniture instead of buying it. He bought the appropriate tools and set up shop in the spare bedroom in their apartment. The first thing he made was a long low bench in the Danish Modern style. He made their bedroom furniture and later on a hi-fi cabinet, kitchen table, and a new dresser for Jane in the 1970's.

In 1983, when his mother Lydia was no longer making the family Christmas

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cookies, Cal took up the task, often with daughter Cathy's help. He made their favorites Springerli, Brownie Lebkuchen & Schwaben Brodli, and new ones as well. Just as Lydia did, he kept track of what he made and how many. In 2002, Cathy took up the tradition on her own. Cal also had a vegetable garden for many years, and took up canning at that time. Not only did he can vegetables, but he also made jellies and pickles.

In 1988 & 1989, Cal and Jane built a new, larger house on Mountain Springs Circle in Huntsville and moved in in April 1989. The house included a 3-car garage with large shop attached, and Jane's large weaving room over the garage and shop. After Cal's death, the house was sold to Hank and Kathy Perkins, friends from church, and a school friend (Hank) of daughter Cathy's when growing up.

Cal entered Huntsville Hospital November 25, 1999 (Thanksgiving Day) for heart bypass surgery on November 26. The surgery was successful, but numerous complications ensued due to Cal's emphysema and the steroids he had been taking for the emphysema that interfered with the healing process. After seven weeks in ICU, he passed away due to multiple organ system failure on January 14, 2000, at 5:05 PM. Daughter Cathy, son Russell, future son-in-law Bryan Kennedy, and Dr. T. Benton Washburn were present. He was buried January 18, 2000 at Maple Hill Cemetery in Huntsville.

Unknown to his family until after he entered the hospital, Cal had been having heart problems for some time. Nitroglycerin pills were found in his study for heart pain. Cal left a folder of instructions for his daughter Cathy just prior to entering the hospital in case he passed away. The information and instructions included the notice of his death to be published in the newspaper. Cathy used this almost as he had written it.

Noted events in his life were:

- Education: University of Bridgeport, Between 1948 and 1949, Bridgeport, Fairfield County, Connecticut.<sup>49</sup>
- Graduation: Alabama Polytechnic Institute (now Auburn University) with a B.S in Electrical Engineering, Aug 1953, Auburn, Alabama.<sup>49</sup>
- Graduation: Mount Hermon high school (boarding school), 1948, Northfield, Massachusetts.
- Occupation: Design Engineer for Westinghouse Electric Corp, Between Jan 1957 and Apr 1958.<sup>49</sup>
- Occupation: Associate engineer on B-52 Airplane program for Boeing Company, Between Sep 1953 and Dec 1956.<sup>49</sup>
- Occupation: Boeing company representative to the Air Force on the Bomarc weapon system, Between Apr 1958 and Jul 1963.<sup>49</sup>
- Occupation: Boeing company representative to the Air Force on the Minuteman weapon system, Between Jul 1963 and Apr 1965.<sup>49</sup>
- Occupation: Saturn program for the Boeing Company, Apr 1965.<sup>49</sup>
- Occupation: Boeing company marketing representative for USAMICOM, weapons ranging from portable Stinger missiles to long-range tactical missiles, 1988.<sup>50</sup>



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- Height: 5 ft. 9 in.

### 5-Catherine Ann Reuther

Catherine married **Bryan Kent Kennedy**, son of **Bill Kent Kennedy** and **Barbara Sue Gwinn**.

### 5-Russell Evans Reuther

Russell married **Jamie Lee McCutchen**.

Russell next married **Teresa Faye Watson**, daughter of **William Lewis "Bill" Watson** and **Rachel Bennett**. They had one son: **Russell Evans "Rusty"**.

### 6-Russell Evans "Rusty" Reuther Jr

Russell married **Melanie Rene Graham**.

Russell next married **Linda Marlene Schwarzmeier**, daughter of **Frank Schwarzmeier** and **Helen Wallace**.

Russell next married **Jamie Lee McCutchen**.

### 4-Sara Ferrell Hager

Sara married **Thomas Clark "Tom" Moxley**, son of **Stephen Dewey Moxley**<sup>51</sup> and **Marion Frances Bishop**,<sup>51</sup> They had five children: **Frances "Fran," Elizabeth "Liz," John Clark, David Bishop, and Richard Phillips**.

### 5-Frances "Fran" Moxley

Frances married **Mark Douglas Zinder**, son of **Benjamin "Ben" Zinder** and **Goldie Rosenstein**. They had three children: **Andrew Phillips "Drew," Catherine Elizabeth "Katie," and Hannah Michelle**.

### 6-Andrew Phillips "Drew" Zinder

### 6-Catherine Elizabeth "Katie" Zinder

Catherine married **Jonathan Hoskins**, son of **Doug Hoskins** and **Bonnie**.

### 6-Hannah Michelle Zinder

### 5-Elizabeth "Liz" Moxley

Elizabeth married **Michael Stephen Penrod**, son of **Leonard Rex Penrod** and **Kathryn Carol Kendrick**. They had three children: **Sara Kathryn, Susan Frances, and Emily Elizabeth**.

6-Sara Kathryn Penrod<sup>52</sup> was born on 8 Jun 1986 in Columbia, Boone County, Missouri<sup>53</sup> and died on 15 Dec 2014 in Northampton, Hampshire County, Massachusetts,<sup>54</sup> at age 28. The cause of her death was suicide. She had no known marriage and no known children.

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General Notes: Sara was a gifted knitter and active in political campaigns. [2]

Sara committed suicide on 15 December 2014 at her apartment in Northampton, Massachusetts. She was found by her friend who arrived to take her to the airport for a two-week trip to Florida to visit her mother. Sara's mother Liz was notified of her death by the local police in Florida while at the airport waiting on Sara's flight. [1]

The family requested donations to the Sara Penrod Scholarship Fund at Windhorse Integrative Mental Health in Northampton. [2]

[1] Sara (Hager) Moxley, 6 Apr 2015 to Catherine Reuther (DOD from Sara's obituary)

[2] Birmingham News, 24 Dec - 28 Dec 2015, Sara Kathryn Penrod obituary, d. 15 Dec 2014 Northampton, Massachusetts

### 6-Susan Frances Penrod

Susan married **Dennis Wayne McMillian**, son of **H P McMillian** and **Dessree Rogers**.

Susan next married **Jeffrey Martin Curvin**, son of **Joseph Martin Curvin** and **Ginger Ellen Ray**.

### 6-Emily Elizabeth Penrod

Elizabeth next married **David Charles McDonald Sr**, son of **Jack H McDonald** and **Lila Joyce Isbell**.

### 5-John Clark Moxley

John married **Pamela Lynn Scott**, daughter of **James Felton Scott Jr** and **Mary Lynne Rumore**. They had five children: **boy**, **Jacob C**, **Alexandria Scott "Ali"**, **Reagan Lily**, and **Sadie Claire**.

**6-boy Moxley** was born on 22 Jun 1991 in Cincinnati, Ohio<sup>55</sup> and died on 23 Jun 1991 in Cincinnati, Ohio.<sup>55</sup>

### 6-Jacob C Moxley

### 6-Alexandria Scott "Ali" Moxley

### 6-Reagan Lily Moxley

### 6-Sadie Claire Moxley

### 5-David Bishop Moxley

David married **Kelly Rae Hancock**, daughter of **James Franklin Hancock** and **Elaine Estelle Ritchie**. They had three children: **James Richard**, **Thomas David**, and **Philip Jordan**.

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6-James Richard Moxley

6-Thomas David Moxley

6-Philip Jordan Moxley

5-Richard Phillips Moxley

Richard married **Cheryl Ann Bacak**, daughter of **James William Bacak** and **Anita Joyce Hutzler**.<sup>56</sup> They had three children: **Stephen Phillips**, **John Benjamin**, and **Kayla Marie**.

6-Stephen Phillips Moxley

6-John Benjamin Moxley

6-Kayla Marie Moxley

4-Henry Jordan Hager Jr

Henry married **Sandra Louise Nelson**, daughter of **Sumter Rhame Nelson** and **Wilma Owens**. They had three children: **Julie Lynn**, **Kimberly Leighann**, and **Beth Ann**.

5-Julie Lynn Hager

Julie married **Chadwick Jon "Chad" Stogner**, son of **Ralph A Stogner** and **Robbie Zell**. They had three children: **Jon Fielding**, **Lillie Catharine**, and **William Henry**.

6-Jon Fielding Stogner

6-Lillie Catharine Stogner

6-William Henry Stogner

5-Kimberly Leighann Hager

5-Beth Ann Hager

Beth married **Patrick Edward Morgan**, son of **Jerry Lee Morgan** and **Virginia Leigh "Jennie" Nance**. They had two children: **Marcella Grace** and **Catharine Louise "Lulu"**.

6-Marcella Grace Morgan

6-Catharine Louise "Lulu" Morgan

4-Phillip Terry Hager

Phillip married **Linda Elizabeth Bettison**, daughter of **Lindley Smyth Bettison** and **Wilmetta Louise Clampet**. They had three children: **Carole Louise**, **Faith**,

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and **Heather**.

### 5-Carole Louise Hager

Carole married **Rashid Aniff Ghoorahoo**.

### 5-Faith Hager

Faith married **Robert "Bobby" Leech**. They had two children: **Phillip Terry** and **Max Stuart**.

### 6-Phillip Terry Leech

### 6-Max Stuart Leech

Faith next had a relationship with **Chad Dixon**.

### 5-Heather Hager

Heather had a relationship with **William Cody Post**. They had one son: **William Wyatt**.

### 6-William Wyatt Post

3-**Marie Herbert Hager**<sup>57</sup> was born on 13 Oct 1908 in Burnwell Mine, between Flat Creek & Dora, Walker County, Alabama<sup>58</sup> and died on 31 Dec 2010 in Davenport, Polk County, Florida,<sup>59</sup> at age 102. Another name for Marie was Marie Hager.

General Notes: In a Christmas card to niece Jane in 2003, Marie stated she was 95 years old. This would have her born in 1908.

Marie did not have any children. [1]

In 1931 Marie Herbert Hager of Flat Creek is a senior in Arts & Science at the University of Alabama in Tuscaloosa. [5]

Marie graduated from Randolph-Macon Women's College [Randolph-Macon in Lynchburg, Virginia] and taught school at West Jefferson, Alabama, before moving to Florida. She taught school in Florida (Lake Placid) until her retirement. [2]

In 1935 Marie was living in Walker County, Alabama, probably with her parents. [4]

In 1940 Marie H Hager is living in Birmingham, Alabama, with her mother and younger siblings. Marie is 32, born in Ohio [should be Alabama], has had four years of college, and is an elementary school teacher. She worked 36 weeks in 1939 and made \$1019. [4]

In 1953 (and 1956) John E & Marie H Anderson are living in St. Petersburg, Florida, at 1620 1/2 1st Av N. [6]

Marie was one of the founding members of the Friends of the Lake Placid Library. The gardens there are named in her honor. [2]

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In August 2008, Marie fell and broke her hip. Although the doctor recommended surgery, Marie declined. The doctor said that people her age never survive the two to three months in bed for the hip to heal. On the other hand, with surgery, there is a 25 to 30% chance she would not survive the rehabilitation. [3]

Marie lived almost another year and a half, until December 2010.

Memorial services were held 12 January 2011 at St Francis of Assisi Episcopal Church in Lake Placid. [2]

[1] letter concerning the estates of William and Elizabeth Herbert, 1992

[2] Birmingham News, 9 Jan 2011 (obits.al.com/obituaries/birmingham)

[3] email Charley Hager, 18 Aug 2008

[4] 1940 US Census, Birmingham, Jefferson Co, AL, ED 68-254, sheet 7B

[5] U.S. School Yearbooks 1880-2012 (images) (Ancestry.com)

[6] City Directories (Ancestry.com)

Noted events in her life were:

- Residence: 1967, Lake Placid, Highlands County, Florida.<sup>60</sup>
- Residence: 1970, Lake Placid, Highlands County, Florida.<sup>61</sup>
- Residence: Bishop Gray Inn nursing home (last residence), Davenport, Polk County, Florida.

Marie married **John Emil Anderson**,<sup>62</sup> son of **John Anderson** and **Matilda Johnson**, on 22 Jan 1949 in St. Petersburg, Pinellas County, Florida.<sup>63</sup> John was born on 27 Jul 1886 in Chicago, Cook County, Illinois<sup>64</sup> and died on 24 Sep 1976 in Sebring, Highlands County, Florida,<sup>65</sup> at age 90. They had no children.

Marriage Notes: John E Anderson and Marie H Hager applied for a license to marry on 7 January 1949. They were married in St Petersburg, Florida, on 22 January. Marie's mother Maggie Hager and aunt Annie May Moore were the witnesses. Unfortunately the license did not include any personal information on John and Marie, i.e. age, date of birth, etc. [1]

[1] Marriage liccense, State of Florida

General Notes: In 1910 John E Anderson is living in Chicago with his parents and brother. John is 24, born in Illinois, and a instector in manufacturing. Father John Anderson is 64, born in Sweden, immigrated 1871. He is not working. Mother Matilda R is 60, born in Sweden, a nurse, immigrated 1877. Brother Frank A Anderson is 29, also born in Illinois. With them is Frank's wife Marguerite and daughter Evyline. [3]

On 17 October 1910, John E Anderson, age 25, married Irene E Paoli, age 21, in Chicago. [7]

In 1917 John Emil Anderson is living in Wilmette, Cook County, Illinois. He was born 27 July 1886 in Chicago, and is district manager for Rochester (NY) Germicide Co. John is married. [5]

In 1920 John E Anderson is living in Wilmette. He is 32, born in Illinois, parents in Sweden, and a manager at a germicide company. With John are his wife Irene E, 30

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(born in Ohio, father in Italy), and mother-in-law Mary Paoli, 72. [6]

John E Anderson and wife Irene E are in Evanston, Illinois, by 1922. [9]

In 1930 John E Anderson and wife Irene E are living in Evanston, Cook County, Illinois, at 2300 Marcy Avenue. They own their home worth \$25,000, and have a radio. John is 43, born in Illinois, parents in Sweden, and is a sales engineer in commercial brick. Irene is 41, born in Illinois, her parents in Ohio. [4]

In 1942 John Emil Anderson is living in Evanston, Illinois (at 2320 Lawndale). He was born 27 July 1886 in Chicago, Illinois. John works for Plibrico Company of Chicago. John's contact is A S MacDonald of Evanston. [2]

On 12 December 1945, Irene (Paoli) Anderson, age 55, died in Evanston, Cook County. She was the wife of John E Anderson. Irene was born 16 January 1890 in Chicago to John Paoli (b. Chicago) and Mary Hunter (b. Zanesville, OH). Burial was 15 December 1945 at Memorial Park, Skokie, Cook County. [8]

John may have been in St. Petersburg, Florida, by 1947, when there is a John E Anderson listed in the City Directory.[9]

John E Anderson, born 27 July 1886 in Illinois to John Anderson and Matilda Johnson, was married to Marie Hager, and died 24 September 1976 at Highlands General Hospital in Sebring, Florida. John was a salesman in "Industry". [1]

[1] Florida Death Certificate, John E Anderson, b. 27 Jul 1886, IL, d. 24 Sep 1976, Sebring, Highlands Co

[2] U.S. World War II Draft Registration Cards 1942 (images) (Ancestry.com)

[3] 1910 US Census, Chicago, Cook Co, IL, ED 255, sheet 12A-12B

[4] 1930 US Census, Evanston, Cook Co, IL, ED 2134, sheet 24A

[5] World War I draft registration

[6] 1920 US Census, Wilmette, New Trier twp, Cook Co, IL, ED 127, sheet 1A

[7] Cook County, Illinois, Marriages Index 1871-1920 (Ancestry.com)

[8] Illinois Deaths & Stillbirths Index, 1916-1947 (Ancestry.com)

[9] City Directories (Ancestry.com)

Noted events in his life were:

- Cremation: 26 Sep 1976, Lake Placid, Highlands County, Florida.<sup>65</sup>

3-**George Stevenson Hager**<sup>32</sup> was born on 9 Dec 1910 in Woodlawn, Jefferson County, Alabama,<sup>66</sup> died on 10 Oct 1989 in Jasper, Walker County, Alabama,<sup>67</sup> at age 78, and was buried in Oak Hill Cemetery, Jasper, Walker County, Alabama.<sup>68</sup>

General Notes: George was named for his uncle, George Stevenson, his father Charles' sister Bessie's husband.

George was hospitalized for a mental breakdown. [1] Younger brothers Paul and Cliff also had breakdowns that required hospitalization and/or shock treatment.

George was a mean drunk, but usually fell asleep before he got too mean. [1]

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[1] Final Hager Reunion Committee call, 5 Jul 2017, Janis Kilgore, Margaret Parsons & Karlenne Trimble to Catherine Reuther

Noted events in his life were:

- Alt. Birth: 9 Dec 1909, Birmingham, Jefferson County, Alabama.<sup>32</sup>
- Certificate: Mine Foreman First Class Certificate of Competency.<sup>40</sup>
- Occupation: owner of Hager Oil Company, Jasper, Walker County, Alabama.<sup>40</sup>

George married **Mary Kathrine "Kaki" Simmons**,<sup>32</sup> daughter of **Thomas R Simmons** and **Kathrine I Terry**, on 6 Jun 1941 in Jasper, Walker County, Alabama.<sup>32</sup> Mary was born on 22 Jul 1919 in Jasper, Walker County, Alabama,<sup>69</sup> died on 17 Feb 1994 in Alabama,<sup>35</sup> at age 74, and was buried in Oak Hill Cemetery, Jasper, Walker County, Alabama.<sup>68</sup> They had three children: **Margaret Giovannia**, **Kathrine Idell "Dell,"** and **Russell Stevenson "Steve"**.

General Notes: Mary K. Hager born July 22, 1919, died February 17, 1994. Her last residence was in Jasper, Walker Co, Alabama. [1]

[1] Social Security Death index

Noted events in her life were:

- Alt. Birth: 1919.<sup>32</sup>

### 4-Margaret Giovannia Hager

Margaret married **Michael Bruce Parsons**,<sup>70</sup> son of **Ellis Phelan Parsons** and **Mary Ruth Miller**, on 8 Aug 1970 in Jasper, Walker County, Alabama.<sup>71</sup> Michael was born on 8 Mar 1943,<sup>72</sup> died on 7 May 2013,<sup>72</sup> at age 70, and was buried on 10 May 2013 in Dogwood Grove Baptist Church Cemetery, Jefferson County, Alabama.<sup>72</sup> They had two children: **Louise Hager** and **Michael Stevenson**.

General Notes: Mike was a graduate of Walker county High School and Auburn University where he was a member of Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity. He was involved in construction equipment sales for many years. [1]

Mike appears to have re-married after he and Margaret divorced and had additional children.

He is survived by his children Louise Hager Parsons, Michael Stevenson Parsons (Claire), David Allen Parsons, John Robert Parsons, and three grandchildren. [1]

[1] Birmingham News (AL) (GenealogyBank.com), 10 May 2013, obit Michael B Parsons, 8 Mar 1943 - 7 May 2013

Noted events in his life were:

- Residence: 2013, Birmingham, Jefferson County, Alabama.<sup>72</sup>

### 5-Louise Hager Parsons

### 5-Michael Stevenson Parsons

Michael married **Emily Claire Richardson**, daughter of **William Edward**

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**Richardson and Margaret Alice Moorer.** They had three children: **Luke Stevenson, Jacob Maddox, and Andrew Mitchell.**

**6-Luke Stevenson Parsons**

**6-Jacob Maddox Parsons**

**6-Andrew Mitchell Parsons**

4-**Kathrine Idell "Dell" Hager**<sup>73</sup> was born on 10 Dec 1944 in Jasper, Walker County, Alabama,<sup>74</sup> died on 31 Oct 2014 in Birmingham, Jefferson County, Alabama,<sup>75</sup> at age 69, and was buried in Oak Hill Cemetery, Jasper, Walker County, Alabama.<sup>76</sup> Other names for Kathrine were Dell and Katherine Lydell Hager.<sup>77</sup>

General Notes: Dell was a life long resident of Jasper. Her life was one of fulfillment, love of family and friends, joy, service to others and courage in the face of debilitating circumstances. She graduated from Walker High school in 1963 and then attended the University of Alabama where she was a member of Delta Delta Delta sorority. In 1967, Dell graduated with a degree in Secondary Education.

Although Dell taught several different subjects throughout her career, she will be remembered as a respected history teacher in the Walker County-Jasper School System. With her enthusiasm for her subject and a dedication to her students, Dell made history come alive for her students. Over her 25-year career, Dell touched and influenced the lives of many young people. She was a mentor to many and remained so until her death. Dell loved encounters with former students and hardly a day went by without one asking, "Do you remember me?"

Her love and adoration of her church, First United Methodist of Jasper, was an example of her deep faith and belief that one should be God's helper. She was a child of God and a faithful, devoted servant. Dell could often be found in the church's kitchen preparing meals for the United Methodist Women or Tuesday Morning Prayer Breakfast. All loved her cooking and many considered her the best cook in Walker County.

Franklin was a leader, avid golfer, life-long reader, community servant, a lover of nature and a dedicated champion of those in need. In recent years, she enjoyed watercolor painting.

Facing many health problems during the past few years, Dell valiantly fought each one. In her courageous attempt to remain active and live, she exemplified an undying spirit, which will be remembered by those family and friends who loved her. [1]

[1] Daily Mountain Eagle (Jasper, AL) (GenealogyBank.com), 2 Nov 2014, obit



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Kathrine Idell "Dell" Hager Franklin

Noted events in her life were:

- Cremation:

Kathrine married **Joe Ballenger "Boogie" Franklin**, son of **Norman Gunn "Buddy" Franklin** and **Mary Carter Turtwiler**.

4-**Russell Stevenson "Steve" Hager**<sup>77</sup> was born on 23 Feb 1949 in Jasper, Walker County, Alabama,<sup>78</sup> died on 20 Jan 2024 in Birmingham, Jefferson County, Alabama,<sup>79</sup> at age 74, and was buried on 28 Jan 2024 in Oak Hill Cemetery, Jasper, Walker County, Alabama.<sup>80</sup> Another name for Russell was Steve.

General Notes: Steve went to work for his father at Hager Oil when he graduated from college. When father George became too sick to work, Steve became part-owner of Hager Oil with his two sisters. He later bought them out. [4]

Hager Oil Company is owned and operated by Steve Hager, a Jasper native who graduated from the University of Alabama with a degree in Engineering. Mr. Hager assumed control of the company from his father in the early 80's and began to expand and grow the business. [1]

Hager Oil Company is located in Jasper, Alabama, serving all of north central Alabama, and surrounding states. Hager Oil has been a family owned and operated business since it's founding in 1954. Hager Oil has grown extensively over the last several decades, expanding its industrial lubricants division to compete on the highest level. We have devoted a large part of our staff to serving our customer's needs large and small. [1]

Hager Oil sells in various industries including mining, steel, timber, natural gas, railroad and agriculture. One of their most unusual products is a lubricant for the railroad to use on the curves of railroad tracks. They also sell lubricants and fuel for farming equipment. [4]

Hager Oil Company also owns and operates several branded Texaco locations, in addition to many dealer owned branded and non-branded service stations. [1]

On 8 March 2014 Steve was honored by the University of Alabama College of Engineering by being inducted into the 2014 class of Distinguished Engineering Fellows.

"Since taking over his father's company nearly 40 years ago, Russell Steve Hager has grown Hager Oil Co. Inc. into one of Alabama's premier petroleum distributors, serving more than 700 customers with millions of gallons each month. The company supplies all of north central Alabama and areas in the surrounding states of Mississippi, Tennessee and Georgia. Coming from a proud family of University of Alabama engineers, Hager earned his degree in mechanical engineering from the Capstone in 1973. He took over his father's company not long after graduation, and he has strategically grown the company. Today, Hager Oil Co. sells more than 34 million gallons of petroleum products

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with revenues of more than \$100 million serving the mining, steel, timber, natural gas, railroad and agriculture industries." [2]

In 2014 Steve sold Hager Oil Company to long-time friend James Eidson. Steve planned to continue working for the company. [3]

Steve Hager obituary:

Russell Stevenson "Steve" Hager, 74, of Jasper, passed away Saturday, January 20, 2024, in Birmingham.

Graveside services will be held Sunday, January 28, 2024, at 2 p.m. at Oakhill Cemetery. The Rev. Alan Beasley will officiate.

He is survived by his wife of 46 years, Judy Brown Hager; sister, Margaret Hager Parsons; nieces, Louise Hager Parsons, Elizabeth Brown Wade (P.J.); nephews, Michael Stevenson Parsons (Claire), Richmond Brown (Michele); great-nephews, Luke Parsons, Jacob Parsons, Andrew Parsons, Andrew Wade, Robert Wade, Jackson Brown and Grayson Brown; and brother-in-law, O. H. Brown (Marthanne).

He was preceded in death by his parents, George Stevenson Hager and Mary Katherine Simmons Hager; and sister, Kathern Idell "Dell" Hager Franklin. Steve graduated high school at Marion Military Institute and went on to the University of Alabama where he graduated with a BS in Mechanical Engineering. He was a member of Sigma Nu Fraternity where he excelled at having a great time. After college, Steve returned to Jasper and took over his father's business, Hager Oil Company. He grew the company into one of Alabama's premier petroleum distributors. He loved leading Hager Oil and his many employees. He was passionate about leading the company and loved the men and women who worked there. Because of his success, he was recently honored as a University of Alabama Distinguished Engineering Fellow.

Steve was a lifelong supporter of the Black Warrior Council, Boy Scouts of America. He was a member of Troop 117, achieving his pride and joy — the rank of Eagle Scout. He was a member of the Order of the Arrow and later received the Silver Beaver Award and the E.A. (Larry) Drummond Lifetime Scouting Achievement Award for his long support of scouting in the Black Warrior Council, BSA.

Steve loved the outdoors and spent many happy hours bird hunting, fly fishing, boating, golfing and riding his beloved Harleys. He attended First Methodist Church. Steve and "his sweetheart" Judy loved to travel and always enjoyed their wine/cocktail time watching sunsets from their deck overlooking Smith Lake. [5]

[1] [www.hageroil.com](http://www.hageroil.com), 2005

[2] University of Alabama News ([www.ua.edu](http://www.ua.edu)), pub 18 Mar 2014, retrieved 14 Feb 2017

[3] 78 Magazine ([78mag.com](http://78mag.com)), Dec 2014, From One Man to Another, retrieved 14 Feb 2017

[4] Business Alabama ([www.businessalabama.com](http://www.businessalabama.com)), Mar 2013, Oil to Move Industry, retrieved 14 Feb 2017

[5] Daily Mountain Eagle, Jasper, AL, ([www.mountaineagle.com](http://www.mountaineagle.com)), obituary, pub

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Noted events in his life were:

- Alt. Birth: 1949.<sup>32</sup>
- Occupation: President, Hager Oil Company, Jasper, Walker County, Alabama.

Russell married **Judy Agnes Brown**, daughter of **Howard Richmond Brown** and **Agnes G Taylor**. They had no children.

3-**Marguerite Hager** was born on 17 Sep 1912 in Birmingham, Jefferson County, Alabama,<sup>81</sup> died on 29 Dec 1970 in New Orleans, Louisiana,<sup>82</sup> at age 58, and was buried on 31 Dec 1970 in Elmwood Cemetery, Birmingham, Alabama.<sup>83</sup>

General Notes: In 1930 Marguerite Hager, of Flat Creek, is a freshman at the University of Alabama in Tuscaloosa. In 1932 she is a sophomore studying in the School of Education. [11]

On 19 September 1931 a marriage license was issued to P D Japp, of Selma, and Miss Marguerite Hager of Bessemer. The following day P D Japp of Selma, formerly of Tuscaloosa, married Margaret Hager of Tuscaloosa. [6, 7] The news report of their marriage does not include the names of any family, such as parents, nor of any attendees, such as other relatives. [CAR, 2021]

25 Nov 1931, Mrs. R. D. Japps [sic] is a patient in the Selma Baptist hospital. [10]

In December 1931 Mrs. Paul Japp was visiting relatives in Birmingham. Mr. & Mrs. Japp will leave next week to spend Christmas in Cincinnati. [12]

In May 1932 Mrs P D Japp [of Selma] was spending a few weeks with her family in Jasper. In July Mr & Mrs Paul Japp spent a few days in Tuscaloosa visiting friends at the University of Alabama. In August they took an apartment with Mrs Thomas Forbes on Lamar avenue. [13, 14, 15]

In March 1933 Mr & Mrs Paul Japp and baby were in Jackson, Alabama. [16]

In 1933 (or 1932 when the directory information was probably gathered) Paul D Japp and wife Marguerite were living in Montgomery, Alabama. [4]

Marguerite and Paul appear to have moved to Cincinnati about 1933. In 1934 Paul along with daughter Ann are pictured in the Cincinnati Enquirer. [8]

After she and Paul divorced, she had a young child, and moved back home to live with her mother. [1]

It appears that Paul Japp and Marguerite separated about 1932 or 1933. Their divorce was granted in 1935 in Birmingham. [3]

In 1935 Marguerite Japp and daughter Marjorie were living in Walker County, Alabama, [5] probably with her parents.

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In 1940 Marguerite H Japp, 27, and daughter Marjorie A, 7, are living in Birmingham with her mother and siblings. She is divorced, has completed 2 years of college, and is a saleslady at a retail department store. In 1939 she worked for 52 weeks for \$1089 salary [annual]. [5]

From 1937 to 1942 Mrs Marguerite Japp is living in Birmingham (in Ensley or Fairview). Until 1941 she is a saleswoman for Sears Roebuck & Co. In 1942 she is a department manager. [4]

When Marguerite married Burt Frith in 1942, she was living in Birmingham and a clerk. [3] After their marriage, they probably moved to Atlanta where Burt was living, and where he enlisted in the US Army in 1944.

In 1944 Marguerite and Howard B Frith are shown as in both Birmingham and in Atlanta. [4]

About 1947 they moved to New Orleans, Louisiana. [4, 9]

Beginning in 1949 Mrs Marguerite H (Maude in 1949) Frith is listed as a saleswoman and teacher with Singer Sewing. [4]

About June 1965 Marguerite and Burt moved to Shreveport, Louisiana. He died there six months later. [9]

Mrs Marguerite Frith died 29 December 1970 at age 58 [born about 1912]. Her next of kin was husband Burt Frith. [2]

[1] Jane Hager Reuther, May 2003

[2] New Orleans Public Library, obituary index, <http://neworleanspubliclibrary.org> == Times-Picayune, 30 Dec 1970, p. 12, col 5 & States-Item, 30 Dec 1970, p. 4, col 2

[3] Alabama [selected] County Marriages 1809-1950 (images) (FamilySearch.org), Howard Burton Frith to Marguerite Japp

[4] City Directories (Ancestry.com)

[5] 1940 US Census, Birmingham, Jefferson Co, AL, ED 68-254, sheet 7B

[6] The Selma Times-Journal (AL) (newspapers.com), 21 Sep 1931, p. 3, Margaret Hager to P D Japp, 20 Sep 1931, Selma

[7] The Selma Times-Journal (AL) (newspapers.com), 20 Sep 1931, p. 10, mar license issued Sat [19 Sep] to P D Japp & Marguerite Hager

[8] Cincinnati Enquirer (OH) (newspapers.com), 2 Sep 1934, image 53, Art Gravure Section

[9] The Times (Shreveport, LA) (newspapers.com), 28 Dec 1965, p. 3, obit Howard B (Burt) Frith, d. Sun (26 Dec), Shreveport; previously in New Orleans 18 years [since about 1947]

[10] The Selma Times-Journal (AL) (newspapers.com), 25 Nov 1931, p. 8

[11] US School Yearbooks 1900-1999 (images) (Ancestry.com), 1930 & 1931, Univ of AL, Tuscaloosa, Corolla yearbook

[12] The Selma Times-Journal (AL) (newspapers.com), 15 Dec 1931, p. 3

[13] The Selma Times-Journal (AL) (newspapers.com), 22 May 1932, p. 10

[14] The Selma Times-Journal (AL) (newspapers.com), 17 Jul 1932, p. 3

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[15] The Selma Times-Journal (AL) (newspapers.com), 3 Aug 1932, p. 8

[16] The South Alabamian (Jackson, AL) (newspapers.com), 15 Mar 1933, p. 1

Noted events in her life were:

- Alt. Birth: 28 Oct 1912, Birmingham, Jefferson County, Alabama. <sup>84</sup>
- Alt. Birth: Abt 1914, Alabama. <sup>85</sup>
- Residence: 1944-1970, New Orleans, Louisiana. <sup>61</sup>
- Residence: 1967, New Orleans, Louisiana. <sup>60</sup>
- Alt. Death: 27 Dec 1969, New Orleans, Louisiana. <sup>86</sup>

Marguerite married **Paul David Japp**,<sup>87</sup> son of **Reuben Springer Japp** and **Elizabeth Brode**, on 20 Sep 1931 in Selma, Dallas County, Alabama.<sup>88</sup> The marriage ended in divorce. Paul was born on 17 Dec 1909 in Des Moines, Iowa,<sup>89</sup> died on 9 Sep 1968 in St. Louis, Missouri,<sup>90</sup> at age 58, and was buried on 12 Sep 1968 in Spring Grove Cemetery, Cincinnati, Ohio.<sup>90</sup> They had one daughter: **Marjorie Ann**.

Noted events in their marriage were:

- Divorce: 1935, Birmingham, Jefferson County, Alabama. <sup>91</sup>
- Divorce: 24 Aug 1936. <sup>92</sup>

General Notes: Although it is not definitive, I believe Paul Japp is the Paul D Japp from Cincinnati, Ohio. There are almost no Paul Japps to be found in the US, so it seems certain this is the first husband of Marguerite Hager. [CAR 2012]

Paul is correctly identified as Paul Japp of Cincinnati, son of Reuben, in a 4-generation picture published in the Cincinnati Enquirer in 1934 that includes his daughter Ann Japp. Ann is a toddler and looks the right age to be the daughter of Marguerite. [16, CAR 2021]

Paul's parents:

Reuben Springer Japp and Elizabeth Brode

They married 8 May 1909 in Cuyahoga County, Ohio. Elizabeth was previously married to Mr. Strehlow.

Reuben was a reporter, born about 1884 in Cincinnati to Jno G Japp & Lena Everhart; Elizabeth was born about 1882 in Brimfield, Illinois, to Geo W Brode and Clara Lovett. [2, 3, 4]

In April 1910, Paul D Japp is 3 months old (born abt Dec 1909), born in Iowa, and living in Cincinnati, Ohio, with his parents Reuben S & Elizabeth B Japp, grandfather John George Japp, and aunt Flossie Japp. John G Japp owns a hair goods business, and Reuben is working with him. [5]

In 1920 Paul D Japp is living in Cincinnati. He is 10, born in Iowa. Paul is living with his parents Reuben S & Elizabeth Japp, and younger sisters Mary, Dorothy, & Ruby, and servant Frances Ross, 18. Reuben is a manufacturer of hair goods. [6]

In 1929 Paul Japp is living in Columbus, Ohio. He is a student. [1]

In 1930 Paul Japp is living in Cincinnati. He is 20, born in Iowa. No occupation is listed. Paul is living with his parents Reuben & Elizabeth Japp, and younger sisters Mary E, Dorothy, & Ruby V. Also in the house is Mollie Walsh, 19, servant, from

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Ireland. [8]

By September 1931 Paul is an insurance agent in Selma, Dallas County, Alabama. He is described as formerly of Tuscaloosa. [14]

In March 1933 Paul and Marguerite are in Jackson, Alabama. Paul is representing the Brown Service Company, one of the largest burial insurance companies and is associated with the Woodson Furniture & Undertaking Co. [19]

In 1933 Paul D Japp and wife Marguerite are living in Montgomery, Alabama. Paul is an agent for Brown Serv. Funeral Co. [1]

Also in 1933 Paul D Japp is living in Cincinnati, Ohio, in the home of his father Reuben S Japp. Paul is an insurance agent. [1]

In 1934 Paul Japp, son of Reuben, and Paul's daughter Ann Japp are in the Cincinnati Enquirer as "of Hyde Park", a neighborhood in Cincinnati. [16]

Since Paul & daughter Ann are described as "of Hyde Park", Cincinnati, in 1934, it is likely that the entire family moved to Cincinnati about 1933-1934, and Paul and Marguerite separated about 1934-1935. [CAR]

In 1935 - 1936 Paul D Japp is living in Cincinnati. He is an insurance agent. [1]

Paul D Japp to Mary E Jones, 15 May 1936, Maryville, Blount County, Tennessee [south of Knoxville. [12]

On 31 March 1938 a divorce suit was filed in Cincinnati - Paul D Japp vs Eleanor J Japp. [17]

In May 1939, Eleanor Jones Japp, age 28, was granted a divorce from Paul D Japp, age 29. Japp had charged her with neglect but the case was heard on her cross-petition. Eleanor was divorced from Charles E Hart on 5 December 1932, and married Paul Japp on 15 May 1936, but Japp was not divorced from Margaret Japp, his first wife, until August 24, 1936. Eleanor & Paul separated in October 1937. [18]

About October 1939 Paul David Japp married Grace Elizabeth Mann, both of Louisville, Kentucky. Marriage probably in Lexington. [2, 11]

In 1940 are "guests" at the Hotel Lucerne [?] in Manhattan, New York City. Paul D Japp is 30, born in Iowa, was living in Cincinnati, Ohio, in 1935, is in sales for a glass block company, and had four years of college. He worked 10 weeks in 1939 for \$500. With Paul is his wife Grace, 24, born in Indiana, living in Louisville, Kentucky, in 1935. [7]

In 1940, when Paul registered for the US Draft he and wife Grace were living in Amityville, Suffolk County, New York. Paul David Japp was born 17 Dec 1909 in Des Moines, Iowa. He works for Pittsburg-Corning Corporation in the RCA Bldg in NYC. [15]

In 1947 Paul and Grace were living in New York City when her mother died. [13]

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In 1949, 1952, 1955 & 1957, Paul D Japp and wife Grace are living in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Paul works for the Pittsburg Corning Corp. He is a sales promotion manager, then sales manager, general sales manager and finally in 1957 vice president. [1]

Paul and Grace had several children, including daughters Judy and Barbara. [9, 10]

At the time of his death in 1968, Paul was living in Cincinnati, Ohio. [2]

[1] City Directories (Ancestry.com)

[2] Spring Grove Cemetery (Cincinnati OH) ([www.springgrove.org](http://www.springgrove.org)), death record (image) for Paul Japp

[3] U.S. World War II Draft Registration Cards, 1942 (images) (FamilySearch.org)

[4] Ohio County Marriages 1789-1994 (images) (FamilySearch.org), Reuben S Japp to Elizabeth Brode

[5] 1910 US Census, Cincinnati, Hamilton Co, OH, ED 148, sheet 2A and supplemental sheet 16A. Note Paul D Japp is recorded on the supplemental sheet at the same address and family number as the rest of the family. Elizabeth Japp had 1 living child. It appears Paul was left off the original enumeration.

[6] 1920 US Census, Cincinnati, Hamilton Co, OH, ED 23, sheet 10B-11A

[7] 1940 US Census, Manhattan, NYC, NY Co, NY, ED 31-556, sheet 82A

[8] 1930 US Census, Cincinnati, Hamilton Co, OH, ED 60, sheet 4A

[9] [http://bobbrode.net/brode\\_tree\\_portraits/](http://bobbrode.net/brode_tree_portraits/) - Brode family tree shows Paul & Grace had a daughter Judy, born 1940

[10] Spring Grove Cemetery (Cincinnati OH) ([www.springgrove.org](http://www.springgrove.org)), death record for Barbara J Nixon (1943 - 1990), dau of Paul Japp & Grace Mann, wife of Ned Nixon

[11] Lexington Leader (KY) (images) (GenealogyBank.com), 5 Oct 1939, mar. license issued Paul David Japp & Grace Elizabeth Mann, both of Louisville

[12] Tennessee Marriages 1796-1950 (index) (FamilySearch.org)

[13] Evansville Press (IN) (GenealogyBank.com), 4 Nov 1947, p. 16, obit Mrs Mary Julia Mann, dau Mrs Paul D Japp of NYC

[14] The Selma Times-Journal (AL) ([newspapers.com](http://newspapers.com)), 21 Sep 1931, p. 3, Margaret Hager to P D Japp, 20 Sep 1931, Selma

[15] U.S. WWII Draft Cards Young Men 1940-1947 (images) (Ancestry.com), Paul David Japp, b. 17 Dec 1909, Des Moines, Iowa

[16] Cincinnati Enquirer (OH) ([newspapers.com](http://newspapers.com)), 2 Sep 1934, image 53, Art Gravure Section

[17] Cincinnati Enquirer (OH) ([newspapers.com](http://newspapers.com)), 2 Apr 1938, p. 2

[18] Cincinnati Enquirer (OH) ([newspapers.com](http://newspapers.com)), 17 May 1939, p. 7

[19] The South Alabamian (Jackson, AL) ([newspapers.com](http://newspapers.com)), 15 Mar 1933, p. 1

Noted events in his life were:

- Alt. Birth: 17 Dec 1910, Iowa.<sup>93</sup>

4-**Marjorie Ann Japp**<sup>94</sup> was born on 31 Oct 1932 in Montgomery, Alabama,<sup>95</sup> died on 25 May 1977 in Louisiana,<sup>96</sup> at age 44, and was buried on 27 May 1977 in Pinecrest Mausoleum (Pinecrest Memorial Gardens), Covington, Saint Tammany Parish, Louisiana.<sup>96</sup> Other names for Marjorie were Marjorie Ann Frith<sup>97</sup> and Ann Japp.

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General Notes: Marjorie may have been named for her father's cousin Marjorie Japp. [CAR]

In 1953 Marjorie A Frith is an office secretary for Home Indemnity Insurance in New Orleans. She is living with her mother and Marguerite's second husband Howard Frith. [3]

Marjorie may have been adopted by her mother's second husband Howard Burton Frith as her name is reported as Marjorie Ann Frith in both her impending marriage announcement and son Steven's birth record. [1, 2]

Ann and Homer were in Dallas, Texas, in the late 1950's when Marguerite and Steven were born. They moved to Covington, Louisiana, by 1965.

Ann may have been manic. [5]

Ann committed suicide by shooting herself. She may have done it in a park or wooded area near her house. [5]

The Social Security Death Index lists Marjorie Hutton, born Oct 31, 1931, died May 1977. Her last residence was Robert, Tangipahoa Parish, Louisiana.

Marjorie Frith Hutton died 25 May 1977 at 10:30 AM. She was a native of Montgomery, Alabama, and a resident of Covington, Louisiana, for 12 years [since about 1965]. [4]

[1] Texas Birth Index, 1903-1997 (Ancestry.com), birth of Steven in 1958

[2] Times-Picayune, New Orleans, LA, 29 Jan 1956, Sec 4, p 2 (Genealogybank.com)

[3] City Directories (Ancestry.com)

[4] Times-Picayune (New Orleans), 27 May 1977, p. 16 (GenealogyBank.com), obit Marjorie Frith Hutton

[5] Final Hager Reunion Committee call, 5 Jul 2017, Janis Kilgore, Margaret Parsons & Karlenne Trimble to Catherine Reuther

[6] The Times (Shreveport, LA) (newspapers.com), 28 Dec 1965, p. 3, obit Howard B (Burt) Frith, d. Sun (26 Dec), Shreveport; dau Mrs Homer Hutton of Covington, LA

Noted events in her life were:

- Alt. Birth: 31 Oct 1931.<sup>98</sup>
- Alt. Birth: Abt 1932.<sup>99</sup>
- Residence: 1965, Covington, Saint Tammany Parish, Louisiana.<sup>100</sup>
- Residence: 1970, Covington, Saint Tammany Parish, Louisiana.<sup>61</sup>

Marjorie married **Homer Allen Hutton**,<sup>101</sup> son of **James A Hutton** and **Irene "Minnie" Parrott**, on 18 Feb 1956 in New Orleans, Louisiana.<sup>97</sup> Homer was born on 12 Oct 1931 in Frederick, Tillman County, Oklahoma,<sup>102</sup> died on 2 Jun 1999 in Covington, Saint Tammany Parish, Louisiana,<sup>103</sup> at age 67, and was buried on 7 Jun 1999 in Pinecrest Mausoleum (Pinecrest Memorial Gardens), Covington, Saint Tammany Parish, Louisiana.<sup>101</sup> The cause of his death was



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cancer.<sup>101</sup> Another name for Homer was Homer Hutton.<sup>104</sup> They had four children: **Marguerite Irene, Steven Allen, Christopher Norman**, and **Adam Frederick**.

General Notes: Homer Allen Hutton was living in Dallas, Texas, in January 1956 when his impending marriage to Marjorie was announced. [2]

Homer Hutton, retired manager for Travelers Insurance Company, died of cancer at Lakeview Regional Medical Center in Covington. Homer was born in Frederick, OK, and was a graduate of Oklahoma State University. [1]

Homer A. Hutton was born 12 Oct 1931, and died 2 Jun 1999. His last residence was in Covington, Saint Tammany Parish, Louisiana. Homer's Social Security number was issued in Oklahoma before before 1951. [3]

He was survived by his four children [named] and three grandchildren [not named]. [1]

[1] Times-Picayune (New Orleans), ObitsArchive.com, June 7 1999

[2] Times-Picayune, New Orleans, LA, 29 Jan 1956, Sec 4, p 2  
(Genealogybank.com)

[3] Social Security Death Index

Noted events in his life were:

- Residence: Between 1995 and 1999, Covington, Saint Tammany Parish, Louisiana.<sup>101</sup>

### 5-Marguerite Irene Hutton

Marguerite married **Unknown Hoddinott**.

Marguerite next married **Dennis J Savoie**, son of **Walton "Brud" Savoie** and **Gloria Faul**. They had one daughter: **Brittany Ann**.

### 6-Brittany Ann Savoie

Brittany had a relationship with **Seth David Bridges**, son of **Arval Edward Bridges** and **Penelope Kay Kendall**. They had one daughter: **Preslyn Jena Savoie**.

Brittany next married **Jacob Shaw**. They had one daughter: **Brilynn Irene Savoie**.

Marguerite next married **F S Deaver**. They had no children.

Marguerite next married **Jeffrey M Hudson**.

5-**Steven Allen Hutton**<sup>94</sup> was born on 6 Dec 1958 in Dallas, Dallas County, Texas<sup>105</sup> and died on 22 Dec 2000 in Khafji, Kuwait,<sup>106</sup> at age 42. Another name for Steven was Steve.

General Notes: Steve worked for Sperry-Sun, a subsidiary of Dresser-Rand Company. Sperry-Sun was acquired by Halliburton Energy Services about

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1997-1998. [3]

Steve's work required him to work overseas for extended periods, causing a strain in his marriage. By the fall of 1999 Steve and Landra agreed to divorce. Steve's brother Adam handled the divorce and with his power of attorney was the one who signed the divorce settlement. The divorce was finalized in August 2000. They remained on friendly terms. [3]

Steven Allen Hutton, born 6 December 1958 in Dallas, Texas, died 22 December 2000 of injuries suffered in a traffic accident in Khafji, Kuwait. He was an engineer with Halliburton Co., and had lived in Covington, Louisiana, for the past 30 years, since about 1970. Survivors included his brothers Christopher N. and Adam F. Hutton and sister Marguerite Irene Hutton. [1, 2]

[1] Times-Picayune (New Orleans, LA) - 30 Dec 2000 (Genealogybank.com)

[2] Social Security Death Index

[3] Supreme Court of Louisiana, #09-B-1185, Adam Hutton disbarment (www.lasc.org/opinions/2009/09B1185.opn.pdf)

Steven married **Cynthia Ann Bethea**, daughter of **Lawrence Benjamin Bethea** and **Shirley Gallagher**.

Steven next married **Landra Cornwall**.

**5-Christopher Norman Hutton**<sup>94</sup> was born on 4 Feb 1961<sup>107</sup> and died on 9 Feb 2013,<sup>108</sup> at age 52. Another name for Christopher was Chris.

General Notes: Christopher is probably the Christopher Norman Hutton who married Sharon Lyn Stiles on 12 Jan 1991 in Orange Co, Florida. [1]

Christopher appears to have lived in Orlando, Florida, in the 1990's. [2]

Christopher Hutton, 4 Feb 1961 - 9 Feb 2013, is listed on the E J Fielding Funeral Home website in Covington, Louisiana. [3] No other identifying information was provided.

[1] Florida Marriage Collection 1822-1875, 1927-2001 (Ancestry.com)

[2] US Public Records Index (Ancestry.com)

[3] E J Fielding Funeral Home, Covington, LA (www.ejfieldingfh.com)

### 5-Adam Frederick Hutton

Marguerite next married **Howard Burton "Burt" Frith**, son of **Charles Bates Frith** and **Pearl Andrews**, on 13 Nov 1942 in Birmingham, Jefferson County, Alabama.<sup>109</sup> Howard was born on 27 Jan 1909 in McComb, Pike County, Mississippi,<sup>110</sup> died on 26 Dec 1965 in Shreveport, Louisiana,<sup>111</sup> at age 56, and was buried on 29 Dec 1965 in Elmwood Cemetery, Birmingham, Alabama.<sup>112</sup> Other names for Howard were Burt, Bert Frith,<sup>77</sup> Burton Frith,<sup>113</sup> H B Frith,<sup>60</sup> and Howard B Frith.<sup>85</sup>

General Notes: Burton Frith was reportedly the son of Chris Bates Frith and Pearl Andrews. [1]

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In 1910 C V Frith and P L Frith are living in Brookhaven, Lincoln County, Mississippi, with their children Marjory, 6, and Howard, 1. All were born in Mississippi. [2]

By 1920 the family had moved to Birmingham, where C D Frith, wife Pearl A, and children Margery, 16, and Burton, 11 are living. [3]

In 1930, Pearl Frith is widowed and living in Birmingham with her children Boward (Howard?) B, 21, and William, 10. Howard is a clerk for an air products company. [4]

In 1942, Howard Burton Frith was an office manager in Atlanta, Georgia. [8]

On 13 April 1944 Howard B Frith enlisted in the US Army at Fort McPherson, Atlanta, Georgia. He has had 4 years of high school and is an "Installer-Repairman, Telephone And Telegraph or Chief, Clerk or Railway Shop Dispatcher or Manager, Production or Entertainment Director". Howard was born in 1909 in Mississippi and is married. [5]

In 1947 Howard B Frith is an office manager for Linde Air Products Co in New Orleans, Louisiana. [9]

At the time of his death in 1965, Burt was manager of Hughes Oxygen Co in Shreveport, Louisiana. [10]

Howard B Frith died on 26 December 1965 at age 57 [born about 1908]. [6] Howard B Frith was buried at Elmwood cemetery in Birmingham, Alabama, on 28 December 1965. The remainder of the obituary was unclear. [7]

[1] Rootsweb.com - Barnett Ancestry tree, from James Barnett

[2] 1910 US Census, Brookhaven, Lincoln Co, MS, ED 84, sheet 3B

[3] 1920 US Census, Birmingham, Jefferson Co, AL, ED 105, sheet 17A

[4] 1930 US Census, Birmingham, Jefferson Co, AL, ED 25, sheet 11A

[5] U.S. World War II Army Enlistment Records, 1938-1946 (Ancestry.com)

[6] New Orleans Public Library, obituary index, <http://neworleanspubliclibrary.org> == States-Item, 28 Dec 1965, p 4, col 3

[7] Times-Picayune, New Orleans, LA, 28 Dec 1965, Sec 1, p 2 (Genealogybank.com)

[8] Alabama [selected] County Marriages 1809-1950 (images) (FamilySearch.org), Howard Burton Frith to Marjorie Japp

[9] City Directories (Ancestry.com)

[10] The Times (Shreveport, LA) (newspapers.com), 28 Dec 1965, p. 3, obit Howard B (Burt) Frith, d. Sun (26 Dec), Shreveport

Noted events in his life were:

- Residence: 1942, Atlanta, Georgia. <sup>114</sup>

3-**Charles Jacob "Bunk" Hager Jr** was born on 9 Apr 1916 in Jasper, Walker County, Alabama, <sup>115</sup> died on 27 Feb 1998 in Lake Placid, Highlands County, Florida, <sup>116</sup> at age 81, and was buried on 6 Mar 1998 in Elmwood Cemetery, Birmingham, Alabama.

General Notes: In 1940 Charles J Hager Jr is living in Birmingham, Alabama, with his mother and siblings. Charles is 23, had had four years of college, and is a clerk at a wholesale hardware. He worked 20 weeks in 1939 for \$280. [2]

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Charles J Hager was born in 1916 in Alabama. He was living in Attala County, Mississippi, when he enlisted in the military. On 25 Jul 1942 he enlisted at Camp Shelby, Mississippi. Charles had 4 years of college and was working as a "Cable Splicer, Telephone And Telegraph or Geologist or Meteorologist or Personnel Consultant (Military psychologist. ) or Personnel Technician (Military personnel technician.) or Geographer or Mathematician or Vocational Adviser or Physicist or Biologist." He is married. [1]

Charles Hager (9 Apr 1916 - 27 Feb 1998) is also shown as enlisting in the Army 19 October 1944, and released from service on 14 April 1946. [3]

Bunk began his career in mining with Stith Coal. Then worked for Alabama By-Products as Chief Engineer, then as General Superintendent for Black Diamond Coal Company. In 1957, Bunk joined U.S. Pipe and Foundry corporation. U.S. Pipe and Foundry merged with Jim Walter Corporation in the 1970's, and was working for that company when he retired. [The Hager Family, Geo-Petro Notes, Jan 1980]

Bunk did not have any children. [letter concerning the estates of William and Elizabeth Herbert, 1992] - this is incorrect [CAR]

Uncle Bunk was a ballroom dancer with his second wife. [Jane Hager Reuther, May 2003]

When niece Jane was in high school, Bunk decided she needed to go to a bar, so off they went to a bar in Homewood.

Bunk was the fun uncle, and pulled Jane's first tooth at "the River", her father Henry's cabin on the Warrior River. Jane was so mad she ran off and hid. Everyone is out in the woods looking for her, but never found her on the side of the house near the bay window. [Jane Hager Reuther, May 2003]

[1] U.S. World War II Army Enlistment Records, 1938-1946 Record (Ancestry.com)

[2] 1940 US Census, Birmingham, Jefferson Co, AL, ED 68-254, sheet 7B

[3] U.S., Department of Veterans Affairs BIRLS Death File, 1850-2010 (Ancestry.com)

Noted events in his life were:

- Graduation: Auburn University.<sup>40</sup>
- Certificate: Mine Foreman First Class Certificate of Competency.<sup>40</sup>
- Military: World War II.<sup>116</sup>
- Occupation: Retired as Senior Vice President of Mining Engineering for Jim Walter Resources.
- Residence: 1970, Chattanooga, Hamilton County, Tennessee.<sup>61</sup>

Charles married **Laura Poole**,<sup>117</sup> daughter of **Thomas L Poole** and **Lena Arick**, in 1941 in Michigan.<sup>118</sup> Laura was born on 18 Nov 1915 in North Little Rock, Pulaski County, Arkansas,<sup>119</sup> died on 29 Aug 1980 in Vestavia Hills, Jefferson County, Alabama,<sup>120</sup> at age 64, and was buried on 2 Sep 1980 in Elmwood Cemetery, Birmingham, Alabama.<sup>121</sup> The cause of her death was cancer. They had three children: **Emily Grace**, **Charles Jacob "Charley,"** and **James Robert "Jimmy"**.

Marriage Notes: Laura and Bunk married in 1941 on a holiday trip to Michigan. Bunk's

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sister Marie was along as chaperone. [1]

[1] Emily (Hager) Hooten, 17 Jun 2017, Hager Reunion, to CAR, Bunk & Laura mar. 1941 MI

General Notes: See Notes below for more information on Laura's parents Thomas Poole and Lena Arick.

In 1910 Lena Broden, age 20, and husband Oscar S Broden, age 26, are living in Argenta, Pulaski County, Arkansas. With them are their son Louis Braden, age 1, and Lena's sister Sallie Arick. [5]

Oscar S Braden died in 1913. [see Notes below]

In 1915 Mrs Lena Braden married Thos. L. Pool in Faulkner County, Arkansas. He was 31 (b. abt 1884) and she was 25 (b. abt 1890). The surety on their marriage record was Ben Arick. Thomas and Lena were both living in Cato, Faulkner County. [6]

Thomas L Pool/Poole has not been further identified. He either died between 1922 (dau. Grace's birth) and 1930, or he abandoned the family.

In 1930, Laura Poole and her three sisters are in Columbus, Lowndes County, Mississippi, at Palmer Orphanage. Laura is 14, b. MS, Ellen Poole, 11, b. MS, Grace Poole, 8, b. MS, and Ethel Braden, age 17, b. AR. Their mother Lena Pool was also in Columbus in 1935. [7, 8]

Laura is probably the Laura Poole in Kosciusko, Attala County, Mississippi, in 1940. Charles (aka Bunk) was in Attala County in 1942 when he enlisted in the US Army. Laura is 23, born about 1917, born in Mississippi. She is a teacher. Laura has completed 4 years of college. She was in Kosciusko in 1935. She is boarding in the home of Keener and Ruby Hines, along with four others. [4]

In 1940, Laura's mother Lena Pool is living in Los Angeles, California. She is 50, born in Arkansas, widowed, and a housekeeper for the Theodore Rantzow family. In 1935 she was in Columbus, Mississippi. [8] Laura's sister Ethel is also in Los, Angeles. [see Notes below]

In 1952 Mrs Laura Hager is a science teacher at Hueytown High School. In 1957 she is at West Jefferson High School. [2]

Laura's mother Lena Pool died in 1972 in Los Angeles, California. [see Notes below]

In 1973 Mrs Laura P Hager is with the 8th grade faculty at Homewood High School. She has a B.S. MSCW, M.S. Samford University, Science. [2]

Laura Hager was born 18 Nov 1915 and died Aug 1980. Her last residence was in Birmingham, Jefferson County, Alabama. Laura's Social Security number was issued in California before 1951. [1]

At the time of her death, Laura was a teacher at "Homewood City School". She died of

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colon cancer that had metastasized to the liver. She was ill 4 1/2 months. [3]

[1] Social Security Death Index

[2] US School Yearbooks 1880-2012 (Ancestry.com)

[3] Death certificate, Alabama, Laura Poole Hager, d. 29 Aug 1980, Vestavia

[4] 1940 US Census, Kosciusko, Attala Co, MS, ED 4-1, sheet 62B

[5] 1910 US Census, Argenta city, Pulaski Co, AR, Ed 147, sheet 6A, indexed on Ancestry as Oscar S & Jane Broden - the image was very faint but looked more like Oscar S & Lena Braden

[6] Arkansas County Marriages 1837-1957 (images) (FamilySearch.org), Thos L Pool to Mrs Lena Braden, 17 Jan 1915, Faulkner Co; indexed on Ancestry as Thomas L Pool and Lea Braden.

[7] 1930 US Census, Columbus, Lowndes Co, MS, Palmer Orphanage, ED 44-7, sheet 1A-1B

[8] 1940 US Census, Los Angeles, Los Angeles Co, CA, ED 60-77, sheet 2B, indexed as living in Columbus, Missouri, in 1935 - the image shows Columbus, Mississippi

### Additional Family Notes:

\* Maggie/Lena Arick (b. 11 Nov 1888, Arkansas; par William Frank Arick & Susan Catherine Page), mar. 1907 to Oscar Braden (d. 1913) and then to Thomas Loftin Poole. Three children with Thomas Poole.

(Ancestry tree, roberts-smock-arick-clark, owner aarober0, retrieved 2 Feb 2017)

\* Oscar S Braden, 1 Jan 1883 - 7 Nov 1913, bur. Sumner Cemetery, Jacksonville, Pulaski Co, AR (FindaGrave, #20310709, added 6 Jul 2007 by mystic75074, retrieved 2 Feb 2017)

\* Lena and Oscar's son Louis, b. abt 1909, may be the Louis Braden who died 24 Jan 1916, Pulaski Co (Arkansas Death Index 1914-1950, Ancestry.com)

\* Ethel Josephine Braden (b. abt 1913, Little Rock) mar. Byron Elmer Nevinger on 16 Mar 1939 in Los Angeles by a pastor at the Temple of Individual Progress, Inc. Ethel's parents Oscar Braden & Lena Arick were both born in Little Rock. (California County Marriages 1850-1952 (images), Ancestry.com)

\* Lena Far Pool, b. 7 Nov 1889 in Little Rock, AR, parents William Farick [should probably be Wm F Arick] & Katherine Page (Social Security Applications and Claims Index 1936-2007, Ancestry.com)

\* Lena Pool, b. 7 Nov 1889, Ark., d. 22 Feb 1972, Los Angeles Co (California Death Index

### 4-Emily Grace Hager

Emily married **Thomas Fletcher "Tom" Hooten**, son of **Royce Porter Hooten** and **Mary Forbes Dean**. They had three children: **Michael Thomas**, **Scott J**, and **Nicholas Charles "Nick"**.

### 5-Michael Thomas Hooten

### 5-Scott J Hooten

Scott married **Corey W Hartzel**, daughter of **Unknown Hartzel** and **Unknown Miller**. They had two children: **Alexander Thomas** and **Kate Nicole**.

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6-Alexander Thomas Hooten

6-Kate Nicole Hooten

5-Nicholas Charles "Nick" Hooten

Nicholas married **Sylvan Brown**.

4-Charles Jacob "Charley" Hager III

Charles married **Mary Anne Roby**,<sup>122</sup> daughter of **Harry James Roby** and **Dorothy Yaksich**, on 11 Aug 1973 in Alabama.<sup>123</sup> Mary was born on 12 Aug 1943 in Pennsylvania,<sup>124</sup> died on 5 Oct 1980 in Vestavia Hills, Jefferson County, Alabama,<sup>125</sup> at age 37, and was buried on 7 Oct 1980 in Elmwood Cemetery, Birmingham, Alabama.<sup>126</sup> The cause of her death was cancer. They had one son: **Charles Jacob**.

General Notes: Mary Anne's mother Dorothy Roby (parents Mike Yaksich & Mary Greuigher?) was divorced from her father Harry James Roby on 15 May 1947 in Allegheny County, Pennsylvania.

Dorothy Roby married Jack L Horner on 29 June 1947 in Pittsburgh.

Dorothy was born 3 Nov 1923, in Pennsylvania, probably Pittsburgh. Jack Horner was born 1 Feb 1926 in Merurdsville?, West Virginia. [2]

Mary Anne's father has not been found using the name Harry. He most likely used James.

Mary Anne was previously married to Joseph Wayne Pope. In 1963 they lived in El Paso, Texas. They had two daughters. [4, 5]

They appear to have divorced and he died in 2005. [5]

At the time of her death, Mary Anne was a personnel manager at Sears Roebuck & Company. [3]

Mary Hager, 12 Aug 1943 - Oct 1980, last residence Birmingham, Jefferson County, Alabama. SSN issued: Pennsylvania (1959-1961). [1]

[1] Social Security Death Index

[2] Pennsylvania County Marriages 1885-1950 (images) (FamilySearch.org)

[3] Death certificate, State of Alabama

[4] Texas Birth Index 1903-1997 (Ancestry.com)

[5] Ancestry trees, tree John Allen Roby Family Tree, owner John Roby, retrieved 1 Feb 2017

5-Charles Jacob Hager IV

Charles next married **Lynne McFarland**, daughter of **Colbert Bland McFarland** and **Jettye Elizabeth Wingard**.

4-James Robert "Jimmy" Hager<sup>116</sup> was born on 19 Nov 1950,<sup>42</sup> died on 29 Apr

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1970 in Tuscaloosa, Tuscaloosa County, Alabama,<sup>127</sup> at age 19, and was buried in Elmwood Cemetery, Birmingham, Alabama. The cause of his death was car wreck.

General Notes: James Robert Hager was a senior at Berry High School, Birmingham, in 1968. [1]

Cousin Jimmy was killed in a car wreck.

[1] US School Yearbooks, 1880-2012 (Ancestry.com)

Charles next married **Alice Edna Leever**,<sup>128</sup> daughter of **George Reuben Leever** and **Edna C West**, on 1 Sep 1985 in Desoto County, Florida.<sup>129</sup> Alice was born on 8 Oct 1913 in South Haven, Van Buren County, Michigan,<sup>130</sup> died on 4 Jun 2005 in Lake Placid, Highlands County, Florida,<sup>131</sup> at age 91, and was buried in Oak Hill Cemetery, Lake Placid, Florida.<sup>128</sup> Other names for Alice were Alice Fritz<sup>132</sup> and Alice Edna Fritz.<sup>129</sup> They had no children.

General Notes: Alice Edna Leever was a daughter of George R and Edna C Leever of South Haven, Van Buren County, Michigan. In 1920 father George is a sales clerk in a drug store in South Haven. In 1930 he is a manager of a dry goods store. Alice had two brothers, Robert G, born about 1911, and Richard D, born in 1919. [3, 4]

Alice was first married to Mr Fritz, probably Maurice Fritz, 1910-1979, buried in Oak Hill Cemetery in Lake Placid, Florida, as is Alice, with an identical grave marker. [5]

Alice worked for South Haven Terminal Company in South Haven, Michigan, for 35 years, retiring in 1968. [2]

She moved to Lake Placid in 1974. [2]

Alice Leever Fritz Hager died 4 June 2005 in Lake Placid, Florida. She was survived by her daughters Marcia Robinson, Karen Hamlin, [step-daughter] Emily [Hager] Hooten, and [step] son Charles J Hager, III. [2]

Alice E. Hager was born 8 Oct 1913 and died 4 Jun 2005. Her last residence was Lake Placid, Highlands County, Florida. Alice's Social Security number was issued in Michigan before 1951. [1]

[1] Social Security Death Index

[2] News-Sun (Sebring, FL), 8 Jun 2005 (Genealogybank.com)

[3] 1920 US Census, South Haven, Van Buren Co, MI, ED 205, sheet 6B

[4] 1930 US Census, South Haven, Van Buren Co, MI, ED 29, sheet 15B

[5] findagrave.com

Noted events in her life were:

- Alt. Death: 5 Jun 2005, Florida.<sup>133</sup>

3-**Herbert Hager** was born on 3 Oct 1918 in Appalachia, Wise County, Virginia,<sup>134</sup> died on 29 Jun 1982 in Birmingham, Jefferson County, Alabama,<sup>135</sup> at age 63, and was buried in Elmwood Cemetery, Birmingham, Alabama.



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General Notes: On Herbert's first marriage certificate he reported his birth as 3 October 1918 in Appalache, Virginia, [6] probably Appalachia, Wise County, Virginia. Wise County is in SW Virginia on the border with Kentucky and has many coal mining camps.

In 1937, Herbert Hager is 18 and living in Birmingham at 1800 Eufaula Ave. He is working for Electrical Repair and Service Co. at 2411 1st Ave. S. [4]

In 1940 Herbert Hager is living in Birmingham with his mother and siblings. He is 20, born in Virginia, and is a "new worker". [7]

In 1941 Herbert married Clotyle Smith. He was living in Birmingham and was an electrician. [6]

Herbert Hager enlisted in the Navy on 3 September 1943 and served until 10 January 1946. [5]

Herbert liked to sail and had a boat in Washington, DC, during the war (WW II).

Herbert and Clotyle were still married in 1960 when they are listed together in the Birmingham city directory. Herbert is the owner of Herbert Equipment Co. [8]

Herbert and Ruth spent their honeymoon at "the River", Herbert's brother Henry's cabin on the Warrior River. [1]

On August 2, 1962, Herbert and Sam Caldwell purchased 4 acres of land in St. Clair County, Alabama, fronting on the site of the, at the time, future Logan Martin reservoir. A few days later they opened a bank account for the "Birmingham Sailing Club", and at the end of the month the founding members met and formally organized the club. [2]

At the time of his death, Herbert was a member of the Clairmont Reform Baptist Church, and was living in Vestavia Hills, a Birmingham suburb. He was survived by his wife Mrs Ruth Hager, step-daughter Mrs Linda Mitchum of Carrollton, GA, sister Mrs Marie Anderson of Lake Placid, Florida, and six brothers. Brother Clifton was also living in Lake Placid. [3]

[1] Jane Hager Reuther, May 2003

[2] The Hornblower newsletter of the Birmingham Sailing Club, March 2003

[3] Birmingham News, 30 June 1982, p 3F (Birmingham City Archives)

[4] SS-5 Form, Social Security application for number, born 3 Oct 1918 in Richmond, VA. Parents Charles Jacob Hager & Maggie Herbert.

[5] U.S., Department of Veterans Affairs BIRLS Death File, 1850-2010 (Ancestry.com)

[6] Alabama [selected] County Marriages 1809-1950 (images) (FamilySearch.org), Herbert Hager to Clotyle Beryle Smith, 14 Feb 1941

[7] 1940 US Census, Birmingham, Jefferson Co, AL, ED 68-254, sheet 7B

[8] City Directories (Ancestry.com)

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Noted events in his life were:

- Occupation: formed the Hager Equipment company, distributor of mining equipment.<sup>40</sup>
- Military: US Navy in World War II.<sup>42</sup>
- Alt. Birth: 3 Oct 1918, Richmond, Virginia.<sup>136</sup>

Herbert married **Clotyle Beryle Smith**,<sup>137</sup> daughter of **Homer Quinlan Smith** and **Leo White**, on 14 Feb 1941 in Birmingham, Jefferson County, Alabama.<sup>138</sup> The marriage ended in divorce. Clotyle was born on 28 Oct 1918 in Birmingham, Jefferson County, Alabama,<sup>138</sup> died on 4 Jul 1974 in Birmingham, Jefferson County, Alabama,<sup>113</sup> at age 55, and was buried in Elmwood Cemetery, Birmingham, Alabama.<sup>139</sup> Another name for Clotyle was Clotilde.<sup>99</sup>

Noted events in their marriage were:

- Divorce: After 1960.

General Notes: Clotyle Smith was the daughter of Homer Quinlan Smith & Leo White. [1, 3]

Clotyle first married Carl W Cannon on 29 April 1937 in Birmingham. They were residents of Columbiana, Alabama, at the time. Clotyle and Carl divorced in February 1938 at Columbiana. [3]

In 1941, when Clotyle married Herbert, she was living in Birmingham and was a steno bookkeeper. [3]

Clotyle's last husband was Eston Harmon Stead, son of WD Stead & Essie Dubose. They married 7 Feb 1973. Eston was born 30 Dec 1911 and died 28 May 1978. [1,2]

[1] Rootsweb.com - Charles Thomas White tree posted by Marti Ballard

[2] Social Security Death Index - for Eston Stead

[3] Alabama [selected] County Marriages 1809-1950 (images) (FamilySearch.org), Carl W Cannon to Clotyle Beryle Smith, 29 Apr 1937, and Herbert Hager to Clotyle Beryle Smith, 14 Feb 1941

[4] Alabama County Marriages 1809-1950 (index) (FamilySearch.org), Eston Harmon Stead to Clotyle Smith Hager, 7 Feb 1973, "Montgomery" [should probably be B'ham]

Herbert next married **Ruth Goldsmith**, daughter of **Rolland Leroy Goldsmith** and **Beatrice Ruth Findley**. They had no children.

3-**Paul Hager** was born on 13 Apr 1921 in Maxine, Jefferson County, Alabama,<sup>135</sup> died on 20 Jun 1986 in Birmingham, Jefferson County, Alabama,<sup>135</sup> at age 65, and was buried in Elmwood Cemetery, Birmingham, Alabama.

General Notes: Paul Hager was born April 13, 1921 in Maxine, Alabama. During his early years, he lived in Maxine, Ruby and Flat Creek Alabama. When his father died in 1936, he, his brothers and mother moved to Birmingham where he attended Ensley High School. He graduated from Ensley in 1940 and from 1940 to 1942 he attended college at Alabama Polytechnic Institute (Auburn University). [3]

When Paul and Betty married in 1942 they were living in Birmingham. Paul was a

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draftsman and Betty was a billing clerk. [2]

Paul (born 1921 in Alabama) was living in Jefferson County, AL, at the time he enlisted in the US Army. Paul enlisted on 20 Dec 1943 at Fort McClellan, AL. He had 2 years of college, and was working as a "Motorcycle Mechanic or Packer, High Explosives (Munitions worker, ammunition) or Toolroom Keeper or Stock Clerk or Stock Control Clerk". He is married. [1]

After two years, he left college and worked at various jobs. On October 3, 1942, he married Betty Lou Breidenbach, she and Paul had been high school sweethearts. In January 1944, Paul entered the army and he and Betty Lou moved to Fort Monmouth, NJ where he was initially stationed. In 1945, he was deployed to Okinawa Island and returned home April 1946 to Birmingham. [3]

In 1948, Paul, Betty Lou, and son Kenneth moved to Auburn so that Paul could complete his degree in Architecture. He graduated in 1950. While at Auburn, Paul, Betty Lou and Kenneth shared a duplex with his brother Cliff, and Cliff's wife and daughter Margaret and Janis. [3]

Paul had at least one nervous breakdown that he received shock treatment for. [4]

He was a mean drunk. [4]

Once back in Birmingham, Paul worked for various architectural firms. Paul became a registered Architect on May 16, 1951 and in February, 1954, he opened his own business - Paul Hager and Associates. Paul's architectural firm was a family business. Betty Lou was the bookkeeper. And nephew Jack Hager was working there at the time of his death in 1966. In 1967, Paul and Herbert Hager partnered to build the Hager Building - an innovative commercial building on Oxmoor Road in Birmingham. Paul died June 20, 1986 in Birmingham at age 65. [3]

[1] U.S. World War II Army Enlistment Records, 1938-1946 Record (Ancestry.com)

[2] Alabama [selected] County Marriages 1809-1950 (images) (FamilySearch.org), Paul Hager to Betty Lou Breidenbach, 1942

[3] Karlenne (Hager) Trimble, 11 May 2017, email to CA Reuther

[4] Final Hager Reunion Committee call, 5 Jul 2017, Janis Kilgore, Margaret Parsons & Karlenne Trimble to Catherine Reuther

Noted events in his life were:

- Occupation: architect at Paul Hager & Associates.<sup>40</sup>
- Alt. Birth: 13 Apr 1921, Quinton, Alabama.<sup>140</sup>

Paul married **Betty Lou Breidenbach**,<sup>32</sup> daughter of **Conrad Large Breidenbach** and **Clara Beulah Henley**, on 3 Oct 1942 in Birmingham, Jefferson County, Alabama.<sup>141</sup> Betty was born on 10 Feb 1922 in Charleston, South Carolina,<sup>142</sup> died on 18 Dec 2014 in Birmingham, Jefferson County, Alabama,<sup>143</sup> at age 92, and was buried on 21 Dec 2014 in Elmwood Cemetery, Birmingham, Alabama.<sup>143</sup> They had three children: **Kenneth Henley**, **Karl Lee**, and **Karlenne**.

General Notes: Betty Lou Hager was born February 10, 1922, in Charleston SC. Betty

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Lou's parents were Conrad Large Breidenbach and Clara Beulah Henley. Her family included a brother and sister, Henley Breidenbach and Mary Elizabeth Hanson. In her early years, she lived in Charleston, Lynchburg, VA, Durham, NC and in 1932 the family moved to Birmingham. Betty Lou graduated from Ensley High School in 1941. She met Paul Hager in geometry class and often said, he was the only reason she made it out of that class. [2, 3]

Prior to marrying Paul on October 3, 1944, Betty Lou worked at TCI as a billing clerk. [3]

In January 1944, Paul entered the army and he and Betty Lou moved to Fort Monmouth, NJ. In 1945, Paul was deployed overseas and returned home in April 1946. Paul and Betty Lou then moved to Auburn, so Paul could complete his degree in Architecture. Following graduation, they moved back to Birmingham. [3]

While living in Auburn Betty Lou became a life-long Auburn football fan. She attended many games over the years and would often greet her friends with a hearty "War Eagle." She was active for many years at Bluff Park Methodist Church where she was a member of the Bell Choir. She was an avid organist and member of two organ clubs. [2]

In 1977 Betty Lou opened and ran Dance-N-Things, a speciality costume and accessory shop. It is still in operation today [2014]. [1]

She traveled widely to places like Canada, Alaska, Sweden, England, the Panama Canal. Betty Lou loved music, sewing, history and devoured crossword puzzles. [2]

[1] Birmingham News ([www.al.com/birminghamnews/](http://www.al.com/birminghamnews/)), 19 Dec 2014, obit Betty Lou Hager, d. 18 Dec 2014, Birmingham

[2] Karlenne Hager Trimble, 28 Apr 2017, email to CA Reuther

[3] Karlenne (Hager) Trimble, 11 May 2017, email to CA Reuther

### 4-Kenneth Henley Hager

Kenneth married **Dianne Murphree**,<sup>144</sup> daughter of **Walter LeMay Murphree** and **Stella Hickerson**, on 19 Dec 1970 in Decatur, Morgan County, Alabama.<sup>145</sup> Dianne was born on 20 Oct 1946 in Chicago, Cook County, Illinois<sup>146</sup> and died on 23 Feb 2015 in Alabama,<sup>147</sup> at age 68. They had two children: **Kenneth Jeffrey "Jeff"** and **Kelly Lynn**.

General Notes: Dianne Murphree was born on 20 October 20 1946, in Chicago, but grew up in Decatur, Alabama, the only child of Walter and Stella Murphree. She loved spending time on the family farm and in the family store with grandparents, uncles, aunts, and cousins. She loved shooting mistletoe out of trees with her grandfather and cooking biscuits with her grandmother. [3]

She was a skilled waterskier on the Tennessee River, a talented drummer in the Decatur High School band, and accomplished pianist. As much as Dianne excelled at piano, she always preferred voice, and she studied math and vocal performance at the University of Alabama before switching her major to

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elementary education. She was a soloist with numerous choruses from grade school to college, and at her church. [3]

Dianne Murphree was first married to Stephen R Kaylor in April 1967 in Morgan County, Alabama. They divorced. Stephen Reynolds Kaylor died 4 December 2012. [1, 2]

Dianne married Kenneth Hager about 1971. [3]

Dianne was diagnosed with MS in 1975. Soon after, the family moved to Birmingham permanently. She was legally blind for several years, then once her sight came back, she began to lose the ability to walk. In 1998, she was diagnosed with breast cancer, and in 2007, she had a stroke, but never lost her love for life and kindness for others. [3]

Dianne Murphree Hager died 23 February 2015 [in Alabama]. [3]

[1] Alabama, Marriage Collection, 1800-1969 (Ancestry.com)

[2] Findagrave.com, Stephen Reynolds Kaylor, #101792341, d. 4 Dec 2012, added 6 Dec 2012 by Joy Favors, retrieved 28 Feb 2015

[3] <http://southern-heritage.tributes.com/>, obituary Dianne Hager, d. 23 Feb 2015, retrieved 28 Feb 2015

### 5-Dr Kenneth Jeffrey "Jeff" Hager

Kenneth married **Jacqueline Alabama "Bama" Folsom**, daughter of **Andrew Jackson "Jack" Folsom** and **Paulette Rose**. They had two children: **Elizabeth Rose "Ellie"** and **Henley Folsom**.

#### 6-Elizabeth Rose "Ellie" Hager

#### 6-Henley Folsom Hager

### 5-Kelly Lynn Hager

Kelly married **John Clinton DeEster "Clint" Jacobs**. They had three children: **Katherine Adele "Kadie," Lillian Dianne**, and **Caleb Henry DeEster**.

#### 6-Katherine Adele "Kadie" Jacobs

#### 6-Lillian Dianne Jacobs

#### 6-Caleb Henry DeEster Jacobs

Kenneth next married **Linda Faye Lawson**, daughter of **James Olin Lawson** and **Viva L Cicero**.

### 4-Karl Lee Hager

Karl married **Linda Gayle Lunceford**, daughter of **Floyd E Lunceford** and **Joyce**

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**Marie Veitch.** They had three children: **Kristen Lee "Kristy," Keith Lane,** and **Kerry Dianne.**

### 5-Kristen Lee "Kristy" Hager

Kristen married **Anders Vilhelm Lundström.** They had three children: **Karl Vilhelm, Kristoffer Lee,** and **Karoline Elisabeth.**

#### 6-Karl Vilhelm Lundström

#### 6-Kristoffer Lee Lundström

#### 6-Karoline Elisabeth Lundström

### 5-Keith Lane Hager

Keith married **Amy Michelle Davis,** daughter of **Charles Davis** and **Jane.** They had two children: **Katherine Tatum "Tait"** and **Hudson Lane.**

#### 6-Katherine Tatum "Tait" Hager

#### 6-Hudson Lane Hager

**5-Kerry Dianne Hager**<sup>148</sup> was born on 6 Jan 1976 in Birmingham, Jefferson County, Alabama,<sup>149</sup> died on 28 Apr 2018 in Birmingham, Jefferson County, Alabama,<sup>150</sup> at age 42, and was buried on 1 May 2018 in Elmwood Cemetery, Birmingham, Alabama.<sup>151</sup>

Kerry married **Michael Shane Morris.** They had two children: **Ryan Mimms** and **Kristen Merritt.**

#### 6-Ryan Mimms Morris

#### 6-Kristen Merritt Morris

### 4-Karlenne Hager

Karlenne married **Roy Tillman Trimble,** son of **James Mahlon Trimble** and **Ina Virginia Lewis.** They had no children.

**3-Clifton Hayes Hager**<sup>152</sup> was born on 4 Nov 1923 in Ruby Mine, Walker County, Alabama,<sup>135</sup> died on 22 Aug 1983 in Hillsborough County, Florida,<sup>153</sup> at age 59, and was buried in Elmwood Cemetery, Birmingham, Alabama. Another name for Clifton was Clifton H. Hager.

General Notes: According to Jane Hager Reuther, Clifton signed up to serve in WW II just after he turned 17, getting his mother to sign the "ok" for him. Clifton was actually 19 when he enlisted in February 1943.

Clifton H Hager was living in Jefferson County, AL, in 1943, when he enlisted in the military on 18 Feb 1943 at Fort McClellan, Alabama. He was born in 1923 in Alabama, had 3 years of high school and was working as a "Machinists Helper". He is single

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but does have dependents [mother Margaret]. [1]

Clifton was in the second wave going in on Iwo Jima, and probably crawled up that hill at Iwo Jima, over volcanic terrain, with body parts all over the place. Clifton was in the first wave on Luzan in the Phillipines. [2]

Paul & Clifton were together at Auburn University after the war. Clifton took their last dollar to go fishing and caught some fish for dinner before their government check came in. [2]

Clif had two mental breakdowns that required hospitalization. During one, while Margaret stayed with Clif, daughter Janis registered her younger brother for 1st grade. [4]

Cliff had shock treatment for his mental illness. [4]

The war really messed him up. Clifton married Margaret, and after four children, divorced her. Later on, Margaret moved to Florida, and lived with or near Clifton's sister Marie. Clifton came down there, sick with cancer, and moved in with Margaret like they had never divorced. She took care of him until he died. [2]

Clifton Hayes Hager, of Lake Placid, died Monday [22 Aug 1983]. He was a native of Alabama and a mechanical engineer for Mead Corp. He is survived by wife Margaret, son Clifton Jr (Atlanta), daughters Janis Daniel (Birmingham), Patricia Creasman and Cherry Goodrol [sic] (Atlanta). Also survived by brothers Paul, John, Henry & Charles and sister Marie Anderson. Eight grandchildren. [5]

Clifton Hayes Hager was born 4 Nov 1923 and died at age 59 on 22 Aug 1983 in Hillsborough County, Florida. [3]

[1] U.S. World War II Army Enlistment Records, 1938-1946 Record (Ancestry.com)

[2] Jane Hager Reuther, May 2003

[3] Florida Death Index, 1936-1998 Record (Ancestry.com)

[4] Final Hager Reunion Committee call, 5 Jul 2017, [Janis Kilgore](#), Margaret Parsons & Karlene Trimble to Catherine Reuther

[5] Tampa Tribune (FL) (newspapers.com), 23 Aug 1983, p./image 64, obit Clifton Hayes Hager

Noted events in his life were:

- Graduation: Auburn University with a B.S. in Mechanical Engineering, Auburn, Alabama.<sup>40</sup>
- Occupation: Woodward Iron Company.
- Military: US Army in World War II.<sup>42</sup>
- Residence: 1967, Chattanooga, Hamilton County, Tennessee.<sup>60</sup>

Clifton married **Margaret Ann Sibley**,<sup>154</sup> daughter of **Ralph Pickney Sibley** and **Blanche Dortha Warren**, on 21 Sep 1946 in Bibb County, Alabama.<sup>155</sup> Margaret was born on 8 Aug 1924 in Alabama,<sup>42</sup> died on 27 Jul 1990 in DeKalb County, Georgia,<sup>156</sup> at age 65, and was buried in Elmwood Cemetery, Birmingham, Alabama. They had four children: **Janis Marie**, **Patricia Ann "Tricia," Cherry Clotyle**, and **Clifton Hayes**.

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Noted events in their marriage were:

- Alt. Marriage: 21 Sep 1946, Etowah County, Alabama. <sup>157</sup>

General Notes: Margaret Ann Sibley, b. 8 Aug 1924, dau of Ralph P Sibley & Blanche Warren. Married Clifton Hayes Hager 21 Sep 1947. [4]

In 1930 Margaret Sibley is 5 years old and living in Birmingham, Alabama, with her parents and siblings. Her parents are Ralph O & Blanche Sibley. Ralph is an oiler at a water works plant. Margaret's siblings are Violet E, 9, and Ralph W, 7. [1]

In 1940 the Sibley's are living in Birmingham, Alabama. Ralph P Sibley is working at a steel mill as an oiler. Blanche is a seamstress at a women's underwear factory. Violet is 19, Ralph W, 17, and Margaret, 15. [2]

Margaret Hager died 27 July 1990 in DeKalb County, Georgia. She was a resident of Gwinnett County. [3]

[1] 1930 US Census, Birmingham, Jefferson Co, AL, ED 105, sheet 10A

[2] 1940 US Census, Birmingham, Jefferson Co, AL, ED 68-267, sheet 20A

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[4] Descendents of Robert Sibley of Franklin County, Alabama, by [compiled] James Scarborough Sibley, typed, date unknown, found in collection of John W Hager [collection passed to Clifton Hager Sr family 2017]

### 4-Janis Marie Hager

Janis married **Robert Land Daniel Sr**, son of **Alton Taylor Daniel** and **Bertye (Bertie) Bell Land**. They had two children: **Robert Land "Bobby"** and **Stacy LeAnne**.

#### 5-Robert Land "Bobby" Daniel Jr

Robert married **Nancy Lois Stewart**. They had two children: **Greta Harmony** and **Isabel Paris**.

#### 6-Greta Harmony Daniel

#### 6-Isabel Paris Daniel

#### 5-Stacy LeAnne Daniel

Stacy married **Robert Virgil "Robby" Cowen III**, son of **Robert V Cowen Jr** and **Nadine Kennemore**.

Janis next married **Ronald Eric Harris**, son of **Harry Harris** and **Paris Humm**.

Janis next married **Donald Harold "Don" Kilgore**, son of **Neil Kilgore** and **Genevieve Roberts**.

### 4-Patricia Ann "Tricia" Hager



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Patricia married **Martin Edward Creasman**,<sup>158</sup> son of **James Martin Creasman** and **Carolyn Goldston**, on 19 Jun 1971 in Chattanooga, Hamilton County, Tennessee.<sup>159</sup> Martin was born on 27 Feb 1950<sup>160</sup> and died on 23 Mar 2008 in Georgia,<sup>161</sup> at age 58. They had three children: **Elizabeth Ann "Beth," Scarlet Bryn**, and **Matthew Martin**.

General Notes: Martin Edward Creasman married Mina T Gable in Clark County, Nevada, on 29 Oct 1988. [2]

Martin's survivors included wife Mina, mother Carolyn Creaman [sic], children Beth (Randy) Keener, Scarlet (Michael) Bates, & Matthew Creasman, all of Jacksonville, FL, and grandchildren Seth & Kai Keener and Issac & Caleb Bates. [1]

Martin's wife Mina (Tignor) Creasman, daughter of William Tignor, died 5 August 2010. She was living in Covington, GA. Survivors included son Jason Gable, stepchildren Randy & Beth Creasman, Scarlet & Michael Bates, and Matthew Creasman. [3]

[1] Florida Times-Union (Jacksonville) (GenealogyBank.com), 26 Mar 2008, obit Martin Edward Creasman

[2] Nevada Marriage Index 1956-2005 (Ancestry.com)

[3] Atlanta Journal-Constitution (GenealogyBank.com), 9 Aug 2010

Noted events in his life were:

- Residence: 2008, Covington, Georgia.

### 5-Elizabeth Ann "Beth" Creasman

Elizabeth married **Randy Lee Keener**. They had two children: **Seth Loren** and **Kai Martin**.

#### 6-Seth Loren Keener

#### 6-Kai Martin Keener

Elizabeth next married **Scott Bullard**.

### 5-Scarlet Bryn Creasman

Scarlet married **Michael Patrick Bates**. They had two children: **Isaac Michael** and **Caleb Tucker**.

#### 6-Isaac Michael Bates

#### 6-Caleb Tucker Bates

### 5-Matthew Martin Creasman

Matthew married **Laura Lyn Kristoffersen**, daughter of **Gunnar Kristoffersen** and **Christine Moran**.

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Patricia next married **Unknown Kelley**.<sup>162</sup>

Patricia next married **Richard Lynn "Rick" Gray**.

### 4-Cherry Clotyle Hager

Cherry married **Rev William Martin "Bill" Goodroe**,<sup>163</sup> son of **Charles Ray Goodroe** and **Frances Gene Flautt**. William was born on 13 Dec 1954 in Chattanooga, Hamilton County, Tennessee,<sup>164</sup> died on 1 Apr 2013 in Georgia,<sup>165</sup> at age 58, and was buried in New Salem Cemetery, Banks County, Georgia.<sup>166</sup> They had two children: **Clifton Ray "Clay"** and **Heather Jean**.

General Notes: Bill married Julie \_\_ about 1999. [1]

At the time of his death, Bill was the minister at New Salem United Methodist Church in Commerce, Georgia. [1]

He died 1 April 2013 at Northeast Georgia Medical Center [probably in Braselton] following an extended illness. [1]

Bill's survivors included daughter Heather Goodroe, son Clifton Goodroe, and grandchildren Kaylee & William Smallwood, and Destiny, Clifton & Lilly Goodroe. [1]

[1] Chattanooga Times Free Press (TN) (GenealogyBank.com), 2 Apr 2013, obit William "Bill" Martin Goodroe

Noted events in his life were:

- Residence: 2013, Flowery Branch, Georgia.

### 5-Clifton Ray "Clay" Goodroe

Clifton married **Rebecca Rae Hughes**.

Clifton next married **Unknown**. They had three children: **Destiny Nicloe**, **Clifton Ray**, and **Lillyana Jean**.

6-Destiny Nicloe Goodroe

6-Clifton Ray Goodroe Jr

6-Lillyana Jean Goodroe

### 5-Heather Jean Goodroe

Heather married **Riley Wayne Smallwood**, son of **Randy Smallwood** and **Marie Davis**. They had two children: **Kaylee Morgan** and **William Riley "Will"**.

6-Kaylee Morgan Smallwood

6-William Riley "Will" Smallwood

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Heather next married **Jason Childers**.

### 4-Clifton Hayes Hager Jr

Clifton married **Pamela Sue "Pam" Richie**, daughter of **Robert Eugene "Bob" Richie Sr** and **Frances Virginia Costello**.

Clifton next married **Donna**. They had one daughter: **Amber**.

### 5-Amber Hager

Clifton next married **Linda Ann Kelly**,<sup>129</sup> daughter of **Donald Lee Kelly** and **Darleen**, on 30 Sep 1999 in St. Johns County, Florida.<sup>129</sup> Linda was born on 24 Oct 1954 in Belleville, St Clair County, Illinois<sup>167</sup> and died on 20 Apr 2012,<sup>168</sup> at age 57.

**2-Bessie Lee Hager** was born on 29 Aug 1872 in Alabama,<sup>169</sup> died on 30 Mar 1949 in Birmingham, Jefferson County, Alabama,<sup>170</sup> at age 76, and was buried on 1 Apr 1949 in Oak Hill Cemetery, Birmingham, Alabama.<sup>6</sup>

General Notes: Bessie may have been born in Birmingham, Alabama. [John Hager's notes]  
Or Bessie may have been born in Greensboro, Hale County, Alabama, where the family reportedly moved after their first year in the United States.

Interestingly, the 1900 Census, shows Bessie as having 1 living child. That child is not living with them, and it is not known who the census refers to. Bessie's place of birth on the 1900 Census is Alabama.

From her obituary -

Mrs. George H. Stevenson, 77, widely-known churchwoman of Bessemer and Birmingham, died last night at her home, 1528 Cleveland Avenue, West End, after a long illness.

A resident of Bessemer more than 50 years, Mrs. Stevenson moved to Birmingham about four years ago to live with her sister, Mrs. H. L. Jordan [Annie Hager].

Mrs. Stevenson went to Bessemer as a bride in 1890. A widely-known and beloved churchwoman, she was an active member of the First Presbyterian Church there for more than 50 years. She was president of the Women's Auxiliary 20 years. . . . .

She was also a charter member of the Bessemer Music Club and a past president of the organization. . . . .

Bessie died 30 March 1949 at her home at 1528 Cleveland Avenue in Birmingham. She died of a cerebral hemorrhage she had suffered 8 days earlier. Arterio sclerosis was a secondary cause of death. [1]

[1] death certificate

Bessie married **George H. Stevenson**, son of **Joseph A Stevenson** and **Carolyn Baird**, on 26 Nov 1890 in Birmingham, Jefferson County, Alabama.<sup>171</sup> George was born on 21 Sep 1861 in Ripley, Ohio,<sup>172</sup> died on 17 Oct 1934 in Bessemer, Jefferson County, Alabama,<sup>173</sup> at age 73, and was buried on 18 Oct 1934 in Oak Hill Cemetery, Birmingham, Alabama.<sup>6</sup> They had no children.

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Marriage Notes: Bessie and George did not have any children. [John Hager's notes]

Noted events in their marriage were:

- Alt. Marriage: Abt 1890.<sup>174</sup>

General Notes: George Stevenson laid out the town of Bessemer, Alabama [Catharine Phillips Hager]

In the 1900 Census, George (George Stephenson on the Census) is living in Bessemer, Jefferson County, Alabama. Living with him is his wife Bessie, brother James R Stevenson, cousin Robert V Swinson (Bessie's cousin Robert Swenson), and a black servant/cook, Georgia White. George and Bessie have been married 9 years. George and his brother were born in Ohio, as were their parents. George is a superintendent of waterworks.

In the 1910 Census, George Stevenson is living in Bessemer at 1925 Dartmouth Ave. He is 48 years old and born in Ohio. George is a real estate agent. Living with him is his wife Bessie Lee, 37, born in Alabama. George and Bessie have been married 18 years, and Bessie has not had any children. Also living with them is their cook, Ida Fonds?. Ida is 31, mulatto, widowed, and born in Alabama. She has no children.

In the 1920 Census, George is living in Bessemer, Alabama, at 1925 Dartmouth Ave. He is 57 years old and born in Ohio. He is a real estate dealer. Living with him is his wife Bessie, 48 and born in Alabama. Bessie's parents were born in Sweden, and the city is listed on the census, but was not clear.

George Stevenson was a real estate and insurance man in Bessemer, Alabama. [History of Alabama and Her People, 1927 - listing for Charles J. Hager, Vol III]

In the 1930 Census, George is living in Bessemer, Alabama. Living with him is his wife Bessie, and Bessie's sister and brother-in-law Henry and Annie Jordan. Henry and Annie are listed as boarders. Also in the house is Julia Stearman(?), a boarder and cashier at a gas plant. George was born in Ohio, as were his parents. Bessie was born in Alabama. George is an agent in real estate.

From his obituary -

He was among the first settlers in Bessemer, coming here in June, 1887, after the city had been incorporated in April of the same year. Born in Ripley, Ohio, he had lived in Lexington, Ky., since early childhood until he came to Bessemer. He was educated as a civil engineer in the University of Kentucky, and assisted in surveying many of the streets in Bessemer when the city was first being laid off.

Mr. Stevenson was for many years superintendent of the Bessemer Land Company, and later was superintendent of the Bessemer Water Works. He served as secretary of the old Board of Trade in the early days of the city and was identified with many business interests. For many years he had been in the real estate business, and during the past few years had been associated with B. E. Ingram, real estate dealer. . . .

He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Bessie Hager Stevenson; one brother, Dr. C. G. Stevenson, Winchester, Ky.; four sisters, Mrs Emma Hobbs and Mrs. Etta C. Prewitt, Lexington, Ky.; and Mrs. T. J. North and Miss Julia Stevenson, Louisville, Ky., and several

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nieces and nephews.

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