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# *The Thrasher Newsletter*

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## **Thrasher Family Association Reunion**

Joe and Angie Grooms are this year's hosts for the TFA Reunion on May 20 and 21, 2016 at Sweet Briar College, Amherst Virginia. There are 20 rooms reserved for the TFA at the Sweet Briar Conference Center. Rates \$108 for two double beds or \$117 for two queen beds, breakfast included. Please call The Elston Inn at 434-381-6207 to reserve your room.

### **Schedule**

**Friday, May 20<sup>th</sup>** - Meet and Greet - Elston Inn at Sweet Briar College

450 Sweet Briar Rd, Sweet Briar, Virginia 24595

Please bring your genealogy, posters, pictures and something for show and tell from your earliest Thrashers. These items can be placed in the meeting room on Friday evening.

**Saturday, May 21<sup>st</sup>**

9:30 Trip to Puppy Creek/Forks of the Buffalo to the former Thrasher Property and to Thrasher Lake - Carpool

11:30 Tour of the Amherst County Museum and Historical Society

2:00 General Meeting TFA - Elston Inn

6:00 Dinner - Elston Inn Conference Center- Sweet Briar College

More socializing in our meeting room Saturday night. Share your family stories with your cousins by the dozens.

Dinner on Saturday night will be buffet style and be catered by The Elston Inn so we will not be driving for dinner. Dinner and registration for the reunion will be \$30.00 per person.

**Please mail your check and registration form now. The registration form is on the back page of this newsletter.**

# Honoring our Thrasher Mothers

by Susie Thrasher

I was talking to my sister, Peggy Thrasher Law, about ideas for the May issue of the *Thrasher Newsletter*, and she suggested a wonderful idea. Since May is the month of Mother's Day, why not honor our Thrasher mothers!

I asked TFA members to send a picture of their mother with some key information, such as mother's name, her husband, and a list of the children, grandchildren, or great grandchildren.

I received such an overwhelming response to this request that there isn't enough room in the May newsletter to honor all those who were sent in. Never fear! We have just decided to add *Honoring Our Thrasher Mothers* as a regular feature in future newsletters until all those who contributed see their story published. So keep the articles coming! It's not too late.

## Edna Elizabeth Gilbert Thrasher

**(1916-2002)**

by Helen Raye Thrasher



My mother, the widow of George Martin Thrasher (1913-1992), was born in Blocton, Bibb, Alabama, September 9, 1916 and died in Birmingham, Jefferson, Alabama, July 5, 2002. She and my father were married 18 July, 1937, in West Blocton, Alabama. They had one child, Helen Raye Thrasher, born February 15, 1939, in West Blocton. My mother began schooling me from an early age in math, reading, spelling, and love for life and everyone. I lasted 10 days in first grade and later even skipped tenth grade on the way to a three year stay at the University of Alabama and eight years at the Medical College of Alabama and University Hospital and Hillman Clinic in Birmingham, where I specialized in Ophthalmology. My mother began working for a children's clothing manufacturer when I was a high

school senior, and spent all of her earnings for my education for the next 11 years. She was my teacher, coach, best friend, and confidant.

George Martin Thrasher, my father, was a terrific husband, and supported my mother in all of her endeavors. My parents never met my husband, John Bryant Long, Jr. (1925-), but would have loved him as dearly as I do.

My Thrasher heritage is: George Martin Thrasher (1913 - 1992), William David Thrasher (1868 - 1938) married Elizabeth Kesiah Smith, Benjamin Abner Thrasher (184 - 1926) married Lucinda Catherine Ashworth, Joseph Theodore Thrasher, Sr. (1818 - 1883) married Mary Elizabeth Adkins, John C. Thrasher (1787/1790 - 1869) married Mary Ann Evans, Isaac Thrasher (Aft 1855-Aft 1810) married Ruth Barton, John Thrasher, Sr. (Abt 1710-Bet 1788-1790) married Ruth Cloud.

## MARGARET ADELIA THRASHER (1855 - 1936)

By Nancy T. Cherry

My great-great grandfather, Robert Knight Thrasher, had six children who lived to adulthood. Two of his four sons married and had families. The other two sons and his two daughters remained single. Margaret Adelia Thrasher, known as Aunt Delie, was one of the daughters.

One of her married brothers, Thomas Souder Thrasher, was widowed when his daughter Anna Margaret Thrasher was only 11 and his son Thomas Lakin Thrasher (my grandfather) was 8. Delie stepped in to help her brother rear the children. When Thomas Souder Thrasher died eight years later, Delie's bachelor brother Benjamin Albert Thrasher became guardian of Thomas Lakin Thrasher, then 16, and Delie continued in her role as caretaker and confidante to both Thomas Lakin and Anna Margaret.



Because she left no direct descendants, Delie is destined to be forgotten when those of us who heard our parents and grandparents speak of her are gone. She left behind fond memories, some recipes, particularly one for her blackberry cordial, which I now make, and at least one delightful story :

In their later years, Delie and her sister moved to a home in the town of Jefferson, across the street from the bank where their brother Benjamin Albert Thrasher was president. When electricity came to the town, Delie's home was electrified, but her great-niece, my Aunt Bunny, remembers being fearful as a child when she visited her great-aunts because their house was dark, shadowy, and lit by oil lamps. Bunny was told that she could not turn on the electric light because Aunt Delie and Aunt Treasie were afraid they would "use up the electricity."

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*NOTE TO READERS: If you would like to receive a full color version of the newsletter as an email attachment just let me know and I will send it on its way! [drsuethrasher@gmail.com](mailto:drsuethrasher@gmail.com)*



## Mildred Gibson Thrasher

(1922-2007)

By H. Grady Thrasher

My mother, Mildred Gibson Thrasher (1922-2007) was from Toccoa, GA and married my father, Henry Grady Thrasher, Jr., on July 2, 1941. She had two children, Henry Grady Thrasher, III (me), born October 20, 1942, and Mildred Louise (Miki) Thrasher McFatter, born April 16 1946. Fortunately, we are both still around to tell the tale.

This picture was taken in the late 1940s.

## Caroline Amanda Burson Thrasher (1919- \_\_)

Our mother, the widow of Col. Warren Atticus Thrasher (1914-2008), continues to nurture and love her four children, six grandchildren, and three great-grand children. What a blessing!

Our little group of Thrashers trace our heritage back to John Thrasher (1758 – 1844) and Susan Barton (1766-1837) whose son, Isaac Thrasher (1793-1878) married Elizabeth Hester (1796-1860).→Barton Cloud Thrasher (1823-1874) & Mary S.B. Elder (1826-1898)→Judge Barton Edmonds Thrasher (1850-1923) & Sarah F. Hattaway (1851-1945)→Rev. John Bugg Thrasher (1873-1922) & Tallulah E. Quillian (1875-1967)→Col. Warren Atticus Thrasher (1914-2008) & wife, Caroline Amanda Burson – OUR MOM!



- Children: Warren A. Thrasher, Jr. (1946- \_\_), wife, Emily Short  
(Mary) Sue Quillian "Susie" Thrasher (1950-\_\_), former husband, James J. McGrath  
John Paul Thrasher (1955- \_\_), wife, Paula Elizabeth Crouch  
Margaret Ann "Peggy" Thrasher Law (1961-\_\_), husband, Don Law
- Grandchildren: Warren "Dean" Thrasher (1974-\_\_), wife, Paula Pfleiger  
Emily Amanda Thrasher Hobbs (1978-\_\_), husband, Matthew Hobbs  
Clare Marie McGrath Golding (1976-\_\_), husband, James Golding  
Jennifer Anne McGrath (1979-\_\_)  
Caroline Elizabeth Thrasher Tietjen (1988-\_\_), husband, Timothy Tietjan  
Donald McLaren Law (2000-\_\_)
- Great Grandchildren: Paula Grace Thrasher (2008-\_\_)  
Corin James Golding (2010-\_\_)  
Felix Malcolm Golding (2012-\_\_)

## ***In Memoriam***



### **William Wright Woodruff**

William Wright Woodruff "Woody" of Alexandria, Virginia, age 91, died on January 1, 2016. Mr. Woodruff was a former Assistant Secretary of the United States Air Force, a military veteran, civil servant and a corporate executive. Mr. Woodruff was a resident of Mount Vernon, Virginia for more than 50 years. He was married for 56 years to the former Mildred Ardelia Comer of Lawrenceburg, Tennessee, who died in 2007. At an early age, Mr. Woodruff moved with his family from his birthplace in McDonough, Georgia to Lawrenceburg, Tennessee. In 1943, immediately upon his graduation from Lawrence County High School, he was inducted into the U.S. Army Air Corps. He was among the first group of eighteen year-olds in the nation drafted into military service. Mr. Woodruff was assigned to Glaser's B-24 Liberator Crew as a radio operator and completed 34 combat missions over Germany. After his military service, Mr. Woodruff earned his bachelor's degree from Middle Tennessee State College in 1948. He continued his education with a law degree from Vanderbilt University in 1950. Mr. Woodruff practiced law briefly before he was appointed by Sen. Kenneth McKellar (TN) to the staff of the Secretary of the United States Senate. Beginning in 1961, he joined the staff of the Senate Appropriations Committee, where he served until 1973, retiring as Counsel to the Committee. In March of that year, he was confirmed as Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Financial Management, and in 1975, received the Air Force Exceptional Civilian Award, the highest award conferred upon Air Force civilian employees. He then worked for Hughes Aircraft Corporation for the next 14 years, retiring in 1989. Mr. Woodruff became an early member of the Aldersgate United Methodist Church and continued his affiliation with the congregation until his death. He was an avid golfer and enjoyed reading books on military and political history. In addition to his late wife, he was also predeceased by his two brothers, Idus (Ike) M. Woodruff and James (Red) Nicholas Woodruff. Survivors include Kimberley Woodruff Engle and her husband Mark Engle of Alexandria and numerous nieces and nephews in Alabama, Georgia, and Tennessee.

*The daughter-in-law of Ike Woodruff who lives in Griffin, Georgia and has remarried called to tell us of his death. There is more info on the Woodruff family in Aunt Vessie Mae's book on pages 142-148. Our own TFA member, Albert Thrasher of Tiger, Georgia is now the only remaining grandchild of Gus Thrasher.*

Be sure to visit **our Thrasher Family Association** website  
at: <http://thrasherfamilyassociation.wordpress.com/>

## Welcome New TFA Members

**Alisa Campbell**, 1088 E, 96th Place, Thornton, Colorado 80229  
Phone: 720-212-6749, Email: [alisacamp@hotmail.com](mailto:alisacamp@hotmail.com)

**Amanda & Larry Hewitt**, 606 Burroughs Street; Conway, South Carolina 29526-4231. Email: [ahewitt7@sccost.net](mailto:ahewitt7@sccost.net) . Amanda is a descendant through the Loonie Thrasher/Sumner marriage.

**J. C. and Nancy Ann Webb McLaughlin**, 93 North 300 West Brigham City, Utah 84302-2029, Phone: 435-723-8746, Email: [jcnan2@gmail.com](mailto:jcnan2@gmail.com)

**Scott E. Whiteman**, 78781 Gorham Lane, Palm Desert, CA 92211-1507. Email: [oceanscottss@gmail.com](mailto:oceanscottss@gmail.com) . Scott is the grandson of Ella Pearl Thrasher Eaton from Maryland who is now living in California. Alisa Campbell is his niece.

**Change of Address:** Bobbie & Chuck Hundley, 3096 W. Safari Dr., Golden Valley, Arizona 86413. They have sold their home in California and moved along with their mules to Arizona.

**Correction:** T. G. & Ann Thompson's email: [tthompson25@austin.rr.com](mailto:tthompson25@austin.rr.com).

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## A Thrasher Family Update

It has been 30 years since Dorothy Sturges Pruett published her authoritative compilation, *Our Thrasher Heritage* in 1986. Much has changed since then, especially in continuing research in order to better know and understand our ancestors as well as kinfolk who have been added to the genealogy since 1986. Many of you have a copy of *Our Thrasher Heritage* where the genealogy for Early Wyatt Thrasher begins on page 141 - John/Ruth Barton Thrasher, John/Susan Barton Thrasher, Barton/Frances Oats Thrasher, Early Wyatt/Olivia Hester Thrasher. What follows on the next six pages is an update for the son of Early Wyatt and Olivia Hester Thrasher, William F. Thrasher and his family (pages 144-146). Please give note that in this update a relatively new form of documentation is included, the *Find a Grave* (FAG#) location, when known. We will be discussing the *Find a Grave* program at the Thrasher Family Association's reunion in May. Hope to see you then!

John E. Thrasher, III

## *Descendants of William Frederick Thrasher*

### *Generation No. 1*

1. WILLIAM FREDERICK<sup>5</sup> THRASHER (*EARLY WYATT*<sup>4</sup>, *BARTON*<sup>3</sup>, *JOHN*<sup>2</sup>, *JOHN*<sup>1</sup>) was born 21 August 1849 in Morgan Co. Ga., and died 04 November 1918 in St. Joseph, Buchanan Co. Missouri. He married FANNIE PALMER HOTCHKISS 03 December 1868 in Atlanta, Fulton Co. Ga.. She was born 23 May 1851 in Levy Co. Fla., and died 15 December 1937 in Atlanta, Fulton Co. Ga..

#### Notes for WILLIAM FREDERICK THRASHER:

1880 Census for Little Blue, Washington County, Kansas. Listed as William F. Thrasher with his family. He and Fannie had moved to St. Joseph, Buchanan County, Missouri where their daughter Monie Belle was born. They moved to Kansas to homestead, spending several years in Rooks County where several of the children were born.

1900 Census for St. Joseph, Buchanan County, Missouri. Fannie and the children had moved back to St. Joseph.

1910 Census for Washington, Buchanan County, Missouri. Frederick F. Thrasher was living alone.

His granddaughter Gladys Virginia Thrasher Peterson said: "Before William's death, Frances moved back to Atlanta, Ga. They had seperated. William was reclusive & peculiar." - -- just as his son Eric Furman Thrasher became.

Find a Grave #101036653

Our Thrasher Heritage by D. S. Pruitt 1986.

#### More About WILLIAM FREDERICK THRASHER:

Burial: Ashland Cemetery, Buchanan County, Missouri

#### Notes for FANNIE PALMER HOTCHKISS:

Find a Grave #120356991

#### More About FANNIE PALMER HOTCHKISS:

Burial: Westview Cemetery, Fulton County, Ga.

#### Children of WILLIAM THRASHER and FANNIE HOTCHKISS are:

2.
  - i. EARLY LESLIE<sup>6</sup> THRASHER, b. 26 May 1870, Atlanta, Fulton Co. Ga.; d. 09 January 1941, Buchanan County, Missouri.
  - ii. BIRDIE FLORA THRASHER, b. 17 June 1872, Georgia; d. 10 November 1946, Atlanta, Fulton County, Georgia.

#### Notes for BIRDIE FLORA THRASHER:

Birdie was a teacher in the Atlanta public school system. She never married.

FAG #89639562

#### More About BIRDIE FLORA THRASHER:

Burial: Westview Cemetery, Fulton County, Georgia

3.
  - iii. MONIE BELLE THRASHER, b. 30 December 1874, St. Joseph, Buchanan County, Missouri; d. 01 July 1951, Los Angeles County, California.
  - iv. TUDIE THRASHER, b. 25 June 1879, Stockton, Rooks County, Kansas; d. 04 August 1879, Ballard Falls, Washington County, Kansas.

- v. FRANCES THRASHER, b. 25 June 1879, Stockton, Rooks County, Kansas; d. 25 June 1879, Stockton, Rooks County, Kansas.
- vi. OSSIE MAY (FANNIE) THRASHER, b. 25 June 1879; d. 11 June 1957, Atlanta, Fulton County, Georgia.

Notes for OSSIE MAY (FANNIE) THRASHER:

Fannie, as she was called ( not Ossie ) is buried in Westview Cemetery, Atlanta Ga.

Sec: Estate records #55462, Fulton Co. Ga.

Fannie was a school teacher in the Atlanta public schools.

More About OSSIE MAY (FANNIE) THRASHER:

Burial: Westview Cemetery, Fulton County, Ga.

- vii. NATHAN PALMER THRASHER, b. July 1883, Kansas; d. 11 February 1916, Jefferson County, Colorado.

Notes for NATHAN PALMER THRASHER:

Seventh child of Wiliam F. & France H. Thrasher. He was a medical student in St. Louis, but contracted tuberculosis. He lived alone in a small house in Colorado that was owned by his brother, Early Leslie Thrasher, trying to recover. He died of an accidental gunshot wound acquired in a rabbit drive by a shot from his own gun.

FAG #120357990

Nathan is buried in Crown Hill Cemetery, Jefferson County, Colorado in Block 15, Lot 37, Sec. 26. This information is from Olinger's Funeral Home in Denver.

More About NATHAN PALMER THRASHER:

Burial: Crown Hill Cemetery, Denver, Colorado

- viii. ERIC FURMAN THRASHER, b. 14 February 1894, Stockton, Rooks County, Kansas; d. 03 January 1960, Atlanta, Fulton County, Georgia.

Notes for ERIC FURMAN THRASHER:

Fulton Co. Ga. Estate No. 55461

Buried in Westlawn Cemetery, Fulton County, Georgia.

Eric was unmarried. In the 1910 Census for Atlanta, Fulton County, Georgia, he is listed as having "no occupation." In 1930 he is listed as "Caretaker, private home."

Eric lived all of his life with his mother and sisters.

US World War I Registration cards, 1917 - 1918: The registration (dated 5 June 1917) gives the following information: Age 23; born 14 Feb. 1894; natural birth; born in Stockton, Kansas; present occupation, he is a clerk; employed by R. G. Dunn & Co.; no family for whom he is responsible; single; no previous military service; signed Eric Thrasher; Eric was described as being tall, slender, having gray eyes & brown hair.

FAG #89639556

About 1940 or earlier, Eric & his sister Fannie visited my parents in Micanopy, Florida. They were invited for dinner. Eric acted very strange and during the meal, Fannie corrected him about something he did, not said.

That's all that I remember about being with them. John E. Thrasher III

More About ERIC FURMAN THRASHER:

Burial: Westview Cemetery, Fulton County, Ga.

*Generation No. 2*

2. EARLY LESLIE<sup>6</sup> THRASHER (*WILLIAM FREDERICK<sup>5</sup>, EARLY WYATT<sup>4</sup>, BARTON<sup>3</sup>, JOHN<sup>2</sup>, JOHN<sup>1</sup>*) was born 26 May 1870 in Atlanta, Fulton Co. Ga., and died 09 January 1941 in Buchanan County, Missouri. He married (1) BETTY ANNA BANKER 1899 in St. Joseph, Buchanan Co. Missouri, daughter of WILLIAM BANKER and BETTY STARMER. She was born 1878 in Buchanan Co. Missouri, and died February 1911 in Colorado Springs, El Paso Co. Colorado. He married (2) LUCY BENNETT Abt. 1912. She was born Abt. 1870 in Colorado, and died Abt. 31 May 1931 in Denver, Jefferson County, Colorado.

Notes for EARLY LESLIE THRASHER:

Death certificate, State file #1802, dated 14 Feb. 1941. States that he is buried in Bethel Cemetery, St. Joseph, Mo.

Obituary in the St. Joseph Gazette: 10 January 1941, page 3. "Earl L. Thrasher, seventy one- years old, 315 Edmond Street died this morning at a local hospital. His survivors are a son E. R. Thrasher, living in California; a daughter, Mrs. Gladys Peterson of Hillrose, Colorado; a brother Eric H. Thrasher of Atlanta, Georgia; and three sisters: Mrs. G. D. Whitlock, Miss Fannie Thrasher and Miss Birdie Thrasher all of Atlanta. The body is at Rupp Funeral Home."

The St. Joseph News-Press, 11 January 1941: Deaths: Thrasher - Earl L. Thrasher, aged 71, passed away Thursday, January 9, at a local hospital. Remains are at Rupp Funeral Home where funeral services will be conducted Thursday, Jan. 11 at 2 p. m. Rev. R. V. Price officiating. Burial Bethel Cemetery.

Find a Grave #132933231

1900 Census for Wayne, Buchanan Co. Missouri. Earl & Betty, his wife, were living with her father Frederick Banker and brother, John K. Banker. Earl and Betty have been married one year.

1910 Census for St. Joseph, Buchanan Co. Missouri. Earl's name is mistranslated from the census as Pearl. With his are his wife Betty Anna and their three children & his sister Fannie Thrasher.

1920 Census for North Ft. Morgan, Morgan, Co. Colorado. His wife Betty Anna had died in 1911 and here he is listed with his second wife, Lucy B. Thrasher. Two of his children, Birdie & Raymond are living with them.

1930 Census for Wiggins, Buchanan Co. Missouri. Earl and Lucy are there together.

On 1 June 1931, Earl purchased the cemetery lot where Lucy is buried. This information is from Olinger's Funeral Home.

More About EARLY LESLIE THRASHER:

Burial: 11 January 1941, Bethel Cemetery, DeKalb, Buchanan Co. Missouri

Notes for BETTY ANNA BANKER:

Find a Grave memorial #33963807

More About BETTY ANNA BANKER:

Burial: Fairview Cemetery, Colorado Springs, El Paso Co. Colorado

Notes for LUCY BENNETT:

Buried in Crown Hill Cemetery, Block 7, Lot 235, Sec. 5

More About LUCY BENNETT:

Burial: Crown Hill Cemetery, Jefferson County, Colorado

Children of EARLY THRASHER and BETTY BANKER are:

4.
  - i. GLADYS VIRGINIA<sup>7</sup> THRASHER, b. 16 August 1900, Buchanan Co. Missouri; d. 17 February 1982, Hillrose, Morgan Co. Colorado.
  - ii. BIRDIE ANN THRASHER, b. 10 August 1902, Buchanan Co. Colorado; d. 04 December 1935, Buchanan Co. Colorado.

Notes for BIRDIE ANN THRASHER:

Birdie never married. She died of Pulmonary Tuberculosis.

Missouri State Death Certificate. File #38610, Reg No. 1276, Jan. 15, 1936

Find a Grave #42797205

More About BIRDIE ANN THRASHER:

Burial: Ashland Cemetery, Buchanan Co.

- iii. EARL RAYMOND THRASHER, b. 24 November 1906, Andrew County, Missouri; d. 24 August 1973, Sonoma, California; m. MYRTLE; b. 05 March 1901, California; d. 28 February 1974, Sonoma County, California.

Notes for EARL RAYMOND THRASHER:

1940 Census for National City, San Diego County, California. Ray was sharing a Barracks with other service men. He was a Radio Man 2d at the Naval Radio Station at Superseal Beach. His residence in 1935 was Honolulu, Hawaii Territory. Had completed the eighth grade.

US Dept. of Veterans Affairs BIRLS Death File, 1850 - 2010: b. 24 Nov. 1906; d. 24 August 1973; SSN: 572402958; Branch: Navy; Enlistment date: 12 Nov. 1926; Release date: 31 October 1947.

SS Death Index: Same information as to birth and death. Shows SSN before 1951 in California.

California Death Index: Born in Missouri; died in Sonoma, California.

FAG #134 095 113

His sister Gladys said, "He joined the Navy and became a radio instructor. He served during WW II."

More About EARL RAYMOND THRASHER:

Burial: Santa Rosa Memorial Park Cemetery, Sonoma County, California

Notes for MYRTLE:

FAG # 134095113

More About MYRTLE:

Burial: Santa Rosa Memorial Park Cemetery, Sonoma County, California

3. MONIE BELLE<sup>6</sup> THRASHER (*WILLIAM FREDERICK<sup>5</sup>, EARLY WYATT<sup>4</sup>, BARTON<sup>3</sup>, JOHN<sup>2</sup>, JOHN<sup>1</sup>*) was born 30 December 1874 in St. Joseph, Buchanan County, Missouri, and died 01 July 1951 in Los Angeles County, California. She married GARRETT DAVID WHITLOCK 21 June 1900 in St. Joseph, Buchanan County, Missouri. He was born 23 April 1863 in Buchanan County, Missouri, and died 22 March 1942 in Los Angeles County, California.

Notes for MONIE BELLE THRASHER:

1880 Census for Little Blue, Washington County, Kansas. Lists her as Money Trasher.

1900 Census for St. Joseph, Buchanan County, Missouri. Listed as Bell.

1910 Census for St. Joseph, Buchanan County, Missouri: Listed as Monie Whitlock.

1920 Census for St. Joseph, Buchanan County, Missouri. Listed as Monie Whitlock.

Monie is a trimmer in a shirt factory. Her husband Garrett is manager of stock yards.

1930 Census for St. Joseph, Buchanan County, Missouri. Listed as Monnie Whitlock.

1940 Census for Long Beach, Los Angeles, California. Listed as Monie Whitlock. The census shows that in 1935 the Whitlocks were still living in St. Joseph, Missouri. Her schooling was 4th year of high school.

Missouri Marriage Records, 1805 - 2002: Miss Belle Thrasher; marriage date, 21 June 1900; Marriage location was St. Joseph, Buchanan County, Missouri; Spouse's name was Garrett D. Whitlock.

California Death Index, 1940 - 1997: Monie Belle Whitlock; Female; Birth date was 30 December 1874; Birth place, Missouri; Death date, 1 July 1951; Death place, was Los Angeles; father's surname was Thrasher.

FAG #85547104

Thrasher family history is found in "Our Thrasher Heritage" by D. S. Pruett 1986.

More About MONIE BELLE THRASHER:

Burial: Forest Lawn Memorial Park, Glendale, Los Angeles, CA.

More About GARRETT DAVID WHITLOCK:

Burial: Forest Lawn Memorial Park, Glendale, Los Angeles, CA.

Children of MONIE THRASHER and GARRETT WHITLOCK are:

- i. NEIL H.<sup>7</sup> WHITLOCK, b. Abt. 1903, St. Joseph, Buchanan County, Missouri; m. GERTRUDE; b. Abt. 1904, Arkansas.

Notes for NEIL H. WHITLOCK:

1940 Census for Toledo, Lucas County, Ohio. Neil is an industrial salesman for an oil company. In 1935 he lived in Chicago, Illinois. Completed 4th year of college.

- ii. AUBREY ALBERT WHITLOCK, b. 30 September 1906, Buchanan County, Missouri; d. 15 April 1999, Los Angeles, Los Angeles County, California; m. (1) HILDA BENSON, Abt. 1927; b. Abt. 1910, England; m. (2) JUDA, Abt. 1938; b. Abt. 1916, Missouri.

Notes for AUBREY ALBERT WHITLOCK:

1910 Census for St. Joseph, Buchanan County, Missouri. Aubrey, age 3, is living with his parents and brother.

1920 Census for St. Joseph, Buchanan County, Missouri. Aubrey and his brother are living with their parents. Aubrey age 13.

1930 Census for Los Angeles, Los Angeles County, California. Aubrey & his wife Hilda. Home value: \$45,000; They have a radio!; Aubrey is an accountant.

1940 Census for Los Angeles, Los Angeles County, California. Aubrey, age 33, has a new wife, Juda, age 24. Aubrey is an auditor.

*Generation No. 3*

4. GLADYS VIRGINIA<sup>7</sup> THRASHER (*EARLY LESLIE<sup>6</sup>, WILLIAM FREDERICK<sup>5</sup>, EARLY WYATT<sup>4</sup>, BARTON<sup>3</sup>, JOHN<sup>2</sup>, JOHN<sup>1</sup>*) was born 16 August 1900 in Buchannon Co. Missouri, and died 17 February 1982 in Hillrose, Morgan Co. Colorado. She married BENNIE BERNARD PETERSON, son of PETER PETERSON and LILY FREES. He was born 01 August 1897 in Story City, Story City Co., Iowa, and died 25 October 1996 in Morgan Co. Colorado.

Notes for GLADYS VIRGINIA THRASHER:

1920 Census for Snyder, Morgan County, Colorado: Gladys V. Peterson

1930 Census for Snyder, Morgan County, Colorado: Gladys V. Peterson

1940 Census for Hillrose, Morgan County, Colorado: Gladys Peterson

Find a Grave #73561537

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More About GLADYS VIRGINIA THRASHER:

Burial: Brush Memorial Cemetery, Morgan Co, Colorado

Notes for BENNIE BERNARD PETERSON:

Find a Grave #73561408

More About BENNIE BERNARD PETERSON:

Burial: Brush Memorial Cemetery, Morgan Co., Colorado

Children of GLADYS THRASHER and BENNIE PETERSON are:

- i. VENDA BIRDIE<sup>8</sup> PETERSON, b. 28 July 1920, Bush, Morgan Co. Colorado; d. December 1986, Morgan County, Colorado; m. ROBERT W. BELL, 24 August 1940, Hillrose, Morgan Co. Colorado.
- ii. VERDA BELLE PETERSON, b. 06 February 1922, Pawnee, Morgan Co. Colorado; m. (1) CHARLES W. STULTE, 18 May 1940, Hillrose, Morgan Co. Colorado; m. (2) WILLIAM R. WILKINS, December 1968, Sidney, Nebraska.
- iii. BETTY ANN PETERSON, b. 09 March 1924, Pawnee, Morgan Co. Colorado; m. LEE I. PAINTER, 03 June 1945, Hillrose, Morgan Co. Colorado.

5. iv. GENE BERNARD PETERSON, b. 10 May 1926, Pawnee, Morgan Co. Colorado; d. 02 November 2013, Colorado.

*Generation No. 4*

**5.** GENE BERNARD<sup>8</sup> PETERSON (*GLADYS VIRGINIA<sup>7</sup> THRASHER, EARLY LESLIE<sup>6</sup>, WILLIAM FREDERICK<sup>5</sup>, EARLY WYATT<sup>4</sup>, BARTON<sup>3</sup>, JOHN<sup>2</sup>, JOHN<sup>1</sup>*) was born 10 May 1926 in Pawnee, Morgan Co. Colorado, and died 02 November 2013 in Colorado. He married BETTY ANN HUTCHINSON 24 August 1952 in Ft. Morgan, Morgan Co., Colorado. She was born in Colorado Springs, Colorado.

Notes for GENE BERNARD PETERSON:

1930 Census for Snyder, Morgan County, Colorado

1940 Census for Hillrose, Morgan County, Colorado

US School Yearbooks on Ancestry (Several years) 1946: Attending Colorado Springs Agricultural & Mechanical College.

US Social Security Death Index: Gene B. Peterson

Children of GENE PETERSON and BETTY HUTCHINSON are:

- i. KRISTY ANN<sup>9</sup> PETERSON, b. 21 October 1953, Sterling, Morgan County, Colorado.
- ii. ROBIN LESLIE PETERSON, b. 26 April 1955, Fort Morgan, Morgan County, Colorado.

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## Query

### ***This query was posted on our TFA website:***

I am trying to find information on an Ann S. Thrasher b. ca 1839 in GA. She married David C. Hyatt in Tallapoosa Co. AL in Dec 1860. She was living on her own in a hotel in Tallapoosa Co. AL for the 1860 census, so I have no clue who her parents might be. I found no Ann S. Thrasher of that age in AL prior to 1860, but I did find an S. A. Thrasher in the 1850 Benton (now Calhoun) Co. AL census, age 10, b. in AL. The father's name looks to be Tho. Thrasher age 55, b. GA and wife J. age 30, b. SC. However, the 1850 AL state census calls him Tolbert Thrasher. I would love some help tracking this down.

Vickie Elam White email: [vewhite@nycap.rr.com](mailto:vewhite@nycap.rr.com)

## Editor's Corner

*Please continue to share your news and photos with your "cousins by the dozens"*

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# Registration Form for the Thrasher Family Reunion

## May 20 -22, 2016

Sweet Briar College, Amherst Virginia.  
450 Sweet Briar Rd, Sweet Briar, VA 24595



Along with this registration form, please send a check (\$30 per person) for your registration for the reunion. This includes a buffet dinner catered by the Elston Inn on Saturday night:

MAIL TO:

Joe Grooms  
PO Box 1137  
Davidson, NC 28036

Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Number Attending: \_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

E Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

### Schedule:

Friday, May 20<sup>th</sup> - Meet and Greet - Elston Inn at Sweet Briar College

Saturday, May 21<sup>st</sup>

9:30 - Trip to Puppy Creek/Forks of the Buffalo to the former Thrasher Property  
and to Thrasher Lake - Carpool

11:30 - Tour of the Amherst Co Museum and Historical Society

2:00 - General Meeting TFA - Elston Inn

6:00 - Dinner - Elston Inn Conference Center- Sweet Briar College.

*Don't forget to make your hotel reservations by calling the Elston Inn at 434-381-6207. Ask for the Thrasher Family Reunion reserved block of rooms.*