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2002: Year of Allred

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The Year 2002 is definitely the Year of Allred. In addition to the 250th celebration of the first known Allred land grant in this country and the 150th anniversary of the founding of Spring City, UT, by James Allred, the Allred Family Organization has now published 50 issues of the newsletter.

Pat Allred Burnell (now Scheib) was the first editor. She produced the first issue on her typewriter. The first issue featured biographies of James and Isaac Allred, sons of William and Elizabeth Thrasher Allred. Several books with Allred family histories were mentioned in this eight-page newsletter. Excitement grew about both the newsletter and the organization. Today, there are members in 39 states and this issue went to a mailing list of 460.

Pat soon began producing the newsletter on a computer. She continued to keep the Allred family informed of pertinent news through issue No. 43 or ten years as editor. Alice Allred Pottmyer took over as editor with issue No. 44.

Anniversary Reunions

Spring City Reunion

June 28 – 29, 2002

This reunion celebrates the first 150 years of Spring City, UT, founded by James Allred on March 22, 1852.

Rocky Mountain Allred reunion organizers are planning a two-day program to begin about 10 a.m. on Friday, June 28, at the Old School in Spring City. The committee plans lots of games, entertainment and family history presentations. Friday evening at 6:30 p.m. a dinner of spit roasted beef over the fire pit will also include salad, beans and rolls. The cost \$3.50 per person.

On Saturday, the reunion will begin again at 9 a.m. with a family meeting. Those attending will have the opportunity to view well-planned histories of several of the great western Allreds. Handouts, photographs and some favorite foods of "grandma" will be provided.

Saturday at noon, a barbecue lunch with chicken, hamburgers, hot dogs and all the trimmings will be provided for \$3.50 per person. Both days will include family history circles with stories of unsung heroes and

heroines of the past. Live entertainment will be given each day. Plan to stay until 4 p.m. on Saturday and enjoy the anniversary cake.

For more information, please contact Larry Allred, 801/451-2742, allred2742@msn.com or Linda Allred Bronson at squawbronson@hotmail.com.

Randolph County Reunion

September 7 – 8, 2002

This reunion celebrates the Allred family living in North Carolina for 250 years. The first Allred land grant was received by Solomon Allred in March 1752.

The second weekend in September, the East Coast Allred group invites all Allreds to participate in the Randolph County Reunion. Histories of our early Allreds and tours to original Allred sites are planned.

More details will appear in the next newsletter. For more information, contact Linda Allred Cooper 919/542-3077 or lacooper@mindspring.com.

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This photograph was taken around 1912 to 1915 in Spring City, UT. The back of the picture said: "Campfire girls having breakfast down in the meadow. No. 1 is Olive Mortensen a descendant of Sidney Rigdon Allred and also Rueben Warren Allred. No. 11 is Elva Mortensen Allred, descend of Reuben Warren Allred, Jr. and Lauie Elizabeth Allred a descendant of Reuben Warren Allred, Jr. If you can identify any others, please contact Renae White, PO Box 322, Monroe, UT 84754.



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Cookbook Update

The long awaited Allred Family Cookbook will be available for sale at various Allred reunions this summer. Information on how to order the cookbook via the mail will be in the next newsletter.

Recipes for main dishes/meats, appetizers, bread, salads, vegetables and deserts are included.

Proceeds from the cookbook will go toward the Allred Family Roster.

2002 Allred Reunions



Alabama Allred Reunion

Sunday, June 2, 2002
Moody Senior Citizens Center
Hanceville, AL
Contact: Martha Jo Allred
341 County Road #91
Rogersville, AL 35652
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Tennessee Allred Reunion

July 4, 2002
Overton County, TN, at Standing Rock Park
The reunion begins at 10:30 a.m. with a covered dish/potluch lunch at 1 p.m.

The location is the covered pavilion near the swimming pool and swings. (Great for families who have small children or any age.) If you love looking at old family photos, swapping stories and sharing histories, this is the place to come! Everyone's welcome!

Standing Rock State Park in Overton County is located near Livingston, TN, at Dale Hollow Lake on Highway 52. For information about the nearby cabins and camping facilities, call 931/823-6487 (camping) or 931/823-6347 (cabins).

For further information about the reunion, contact Charlotte Allred Walker at charw@usit.net or 931/526-2444.

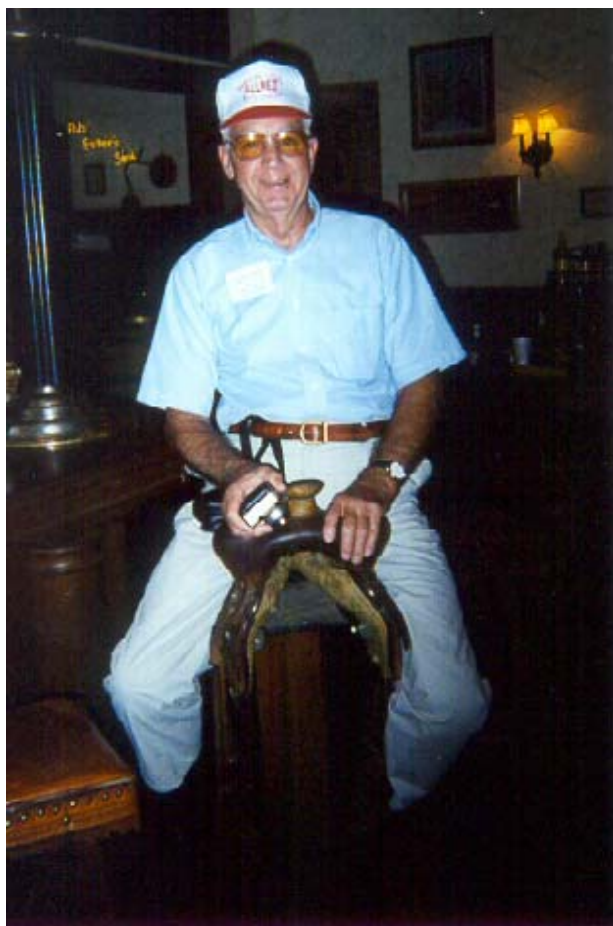
Texas Reunion

Either October 5 and 6 or October 12 and 13
Keller, Texas
Senior Center, 600 Johnson Dr.
Descendants of Calvin and Ellena Allred Rowland. Ellena was a descendant of the original "Thomas."

Keller is located 30 miles north of Fort Worth on Highway 377. DFW International Airport is a 20 minute drive from the reunion site.

The date will be firm by the next newsletter. For further information, contact Mision Cloud, 817/892-5r817, or skipcloud@prodigy.net.

For updates on these reunions and news of other Allred reunions that arrived after the publication deadline, see the Allred Family Web site: www.allredfamily.org. If you want to submit information about your reunion, please contact Linda Allred Cooper at lacooper@mindspring.com or 919/542-3077.



Franklin Allred, Randolph County, NC, attended the 2001 Texas Reunion and enjoyed himself at the Fort Worth Stockyards prior to the reunion. Several members of the East Coast Allreds plan to attend several of the reunions this summer and fall to meet more of their cousins across the country.

Northwest South Carolina and Northeast Georgia

Pendleton District, South Carolina

Cherokee Indians lived in this region long before the American Revolution. The Cherokees' choose to side with Great Britain during the war for independence. This led to the loss of their land in what is now the northwest corner of South Carolina.

Two months of fighting in the summer of 1776 between the Patriot militia and the Cherokees, aided by Loyalists, brought Indian defeat. By 1789, this region became Pendleton County. By the Act of 1789, Vol. VII, p. 283, the name County was changed to District. A tract of land in the center of the area was selected for the seat of county government. The Town of Pendleton was created in 1790 for a courthouse seat. It was named for Judge Henry Pendleton. The Town of Pendleton is now on the National Historic Register.

Today this area of South Carolina is three counties, Anderson, Oconee and Pickens.

The 1790 Census was the first held by this new country. The only Allred listed as a head of family for the Ninety-Six District, Pendleton County, South Carolina, was William Alred. He is listed with one l. His listing follows:

- Free white males of 16 years and upward including heads of families: 1;
- Free white males under 16 years: 3;
- Free white females, including heads of families: 3;
- All other free persons: 0; and
- Slaves: 0.

This is believed to be the listing for William Allred, son of the original "Thomas." He and his wife, Elizabeth Thrasher, and their children walked from Randolph County, NC, to this area of South Carolina.

Sources: 1790 South Carolina Census, Pendleton District Historical, Recreational and Tourism Commission and *The Settlement of Pendleton District 1777-1800* by Frederick Van Clayton, Southern Historical Press, Greenville, SC.

Franklin County, Georgia

Franklin County in Northeast Georgia is unique in Georgia history because of its creation at the close of the Revolutionary War with Great Britain. Also, unique was the provision for the distribution of its land to induce settlers to come to make their homes in the raw wilderness. It was created from original territory by a Legislative act of February 25, 1784, which created Franklin and Washington counties.



Franklin County, named after the Philadelphia philosopher and patriot, Benjamin Franklin. Franklin was the only American whose name appeared on all four great documents of the American Revolution:

- The Declaration of Independence;
- The Treaty of Alliance with France;
- The Treat of Peace with Great Britain; and
- The Constitution of the United States.

Franklin County was created from lands acquired from the Cherokee and Creek Indians in 1783. It was the ninth county to be organized in the State of Georgia

This section of Georgia is part of the Piedmont region. The original northern boundary of the county touched the Appalachian Mountain region. The topography is hilly to mountainous with narrow valleys. It is forested with oak, hickory and pine trees. The early settlers encountered rattle snakes, buffalo, elk, black bear, the cougar or panther, beaver, gray wolves and white-tailed deer.

Large flocks of wild turkeys also provided a source of food for the Indians as well as the white settlers. The streams were filled with fish.

When Franklin County was created in 1784, it was approximately the size of the State of Rhode Island. It has contributed territory to form all or a part of the now Georgia counties of Jackson (1796), Clark (1802), Walton (1803), Madison (1811), Gwinett (1818), Hall (1818), Habersham (1818), Hart (1853), Banks (1858), Oconee

Home to Many Allreds on Their Way Westward

(1875), Barrow (1904) and Stephens (1905). The counties of Pickens, Oconee and Anderson in South Carolina were originally part of Franklin County. In 1787, they became part of South Carolina again. Franklin County is sometimes referred to as the “Mother County of Northeast Georgia.”

After the Revolutionary War was won, pioneer families began to move into the area. Land grants were available for the soldiers. The men walked into the territory with a rifle in one hand and an axe in another. The women brought a handful of seeds, a few quilts and a very few goods. Most walked

because the trails had not yet been converted into wagon roads.

Many Allreds came through these areas in Pendleton County, South Carolina, and its neighbor across the Tugaloo River, Franklin County, Georgia. Many settled briefly in these areas and then moved on further into Georgia, Tennessee, Mississippi, Alabama, Arkansas and Texas.

Sources: *Franklin County Citizen*, Feb. 23, 1984 and *History of Franklin County, Georgia*, Franklin County Historical Society.



In 1784 when Franklin County, Georgia, was formed, it was the size of present day Rhode Island. Twelve counties in Georgia and three in South Carolina were formed from the original boundaries.

Map from Louisiana State University

Missing Georgia Census Records

The first three census schedules for Georgia (1790, 1800 and 1810) are missing. Many believe this to be a result of fire during the War of 1812. Tax lists for various years for a few of the counties are published in *Some Early Tax Digests of Georgia*, ed. by Ruth Blair, 2 vols, (Atlanta: State Archives of Georgia, 1926), and *An Index to Georgia Tax Digests, 1789-1817*, (Published for the R.J. Taylor Foundation; Spartanburg, SC; Reprint Co., 1986). These can be used as a substitution for the first three census schedules. Additionally, there is *Substitute for Georgia's Lost 1790 Census* (Albany, GA; Delwyn Associates, 1975). Wills, deeds, tax digests, court minutes, voter lists and newspapers were searched to compile this list.

An Allred Trek Westward 1787 to 1852

Alice Allred Pottmyer

(Alice, B.W., Birt, Wilson Monroe, William Hackley, James, William, Thomas)

This presentation was given at the 2001 Spring City, Utah, Allred Reunion and is printed because of the many requests for the presentation. This is also an example of one of the Allred families who lived in the Pendleton County and Franklin County areas before moving further west.

I am not a historian, but I always enjoyed history. When it ties into my own family it becomes even more interesting. I began to realize that my Allred family became western pioneers the day the first family members boarded the boat in England to travel west to the New World. The first Allreds probably arrived in North Carolina in the 1740's. However, the first documented evidence that they were living in North Carolina is dated 1752 when Solomon Allred received his first land grant. This is also the same year that Benjamin Franklin flew a kite during a thunderstorm to prove that lightning is electricity.

Solomon, and everyone else living in Colonial America were subjects of King George III. In 1750, there were over a million people living in all of colonial America. Approximately 6,000 people were living in what is now North Carolina. Most were of British and Irish heritage.

In 1755, Solomon's brother, John, also received a land grant in Orange County, North Carolina. Orange was later divided into several smaller counties including Randolph. Our ancestor's property was in the new Randolph County. Thomas, the youngest of the three Allred men, lived on his oldest brother, John's, land for many years. On April 10, 1788, Thomas and his wife, Elizabeth, purchased 144 acres from Jeremiah York. In September of that year, they sold 112 acres to James Allred. This James was probably the oldest son of Thomas and Elizabeth.

Thomas was born about 1730. My family records indicate it was in Virginia. However, recent research indicates it may not have been

Virginia. I am leaving this one to the genealogists.

Thomas and Elizabeth were the parents of 11 children, all born in Randolph County between 1754 and 1772. Their second son, William, was born about 1756. He married Elizabeth Thrasher.

When the last child of Thomas and Elizabeth was born, they were still British subjects. However, when Independence was declared in 1776, there is indication that William served in the Revolutionary War. Incidentally while this was happening in 1776, two Franciscan friars, Dominguez and Escalante were forging a northern route from Santa Fe to Monterey. They also wanted to convert the Indians to Christianity. Their journals write of the natural beauty of what is now Utah where many of the children of William and Elizabeth Thrasher eventually settled.

Parents of Eight

William and Elizabeth Thrasher had eight children. The first four, Sarah, Mary, James and Elizabeth were born in Randolph County between 1780 and 1786.

When James was approximately three, his parents took him and the other children and moved south and west to Pendleton County, South Carolina. The Indian trails had not yet been widened for wagons so they walked to South Carolina. It is not known if they rode horses or even had pack stock. South Carolina was the 8th of the 13 original states. It was admitted May 23, 1788. North Carolina was the 12th of the original 13. It was admitted November 21, 1789. When they left North Carolina, it was not yet a state and South Carolina was just being admitted.

In Pendleton between 1788 and 1794, the next four children, Isaac, William, John and Martha, were born. Note these names are repeated over and over in the generations of the family.

In Rulon Allred's book, he has the family in South Carolina until at least 1794. However, in her book, Linda Allred Steele, only has the family

in South Carolina for two years. I don't know which is correct. The articles on pages 4 and 5 shows how close these areas are located. She has William, John and Martha being born in Franklin County, Georgia.

When William and Elizabeth left South Carolina, they moved a few miles over the Georgia border to Franklin County. Franklin County was one of the areas where bounty grants were given the Revolutionary War veterans. William Allred served in the Revolution. According to an article in the AFO Newsletter, No. 48, page 11, he and Abraham Elliott were in a little skirmish near Salisbury, North Carolina.

The Georgia Department of Archives and History, Surveyor--General Department, listed the 35 families in the Wofford Tract. One of them was William Al(l)red. On the "Other original settlers left outside the original line," was a Charles Warren. Thomas Warren was the father of Elizabeth Warren Allred. It is not known if Charles was related. The Wofford Settlement was near Leatherwood Creek near Curahee Mountain where William Allred did own land.



In Franklin County, in 1803, James married Elizabeth Warren. Her family was from Spartanburg, South Carolina. This is just east of Pendleton County. Elizabeth was 17 and James was 19 when they married in Georgia.

The oldest sister of James and Isaac married John Anderson Ivie. The Ivie's were from

Randolph County. Also, their younger brother, William married Sarah Warren and younger brother John married Nancy Warren and youngest sister, Martha, married an Ivie. These three families were obviously traveling and settling together.

From Georgia, William and Elizabeth Thrasher took the family and moved to Rutherford County, Tennessee, about 1803. In 1807, Rutherford County was divided and William and Elizabeth then lived in Farmington, Bedford County (today the area they lived in is Marshall County). This is central Tennessee just south of Nashville. Tennessee was admitted as a state in 1796.

The family had to travel via foot and possibly horse to Tennessee because there were Indian trails, not roads to Tennessee.

Moved to Kentucky

James and Elizabeth Warren stayed behind until their first child, William Hackley, was born in 1804. They left for Warren County, Kentucky. Warren County was established in 1796 and became Kentucky's 24th County in 1797. It was named for Gen. Joseph Warren, a hero of the Battle of Bunker Hill.

Martin Carroll, son of James and Elizabeth Warren, was born there in 1806. Hannah Caroline was born in 1808 in Ohio County, Kentucky.

Thomas, the father of William and grandfather of James and Isaac, wrote a will in 1809. It was probated in 1810 in Randolph County, North Carolina. His will is signed with a mark. He left "to my sons and daughters, James, William, Elias, John Moses, Eli, Rachel Brown and Elizabeth Jones each the sum of twelve shillings to be raised out of the stock bequeathed to my wife."

At the time of the death of Thomas, William was in central Tennessee. It is not known if he knew of his father's death or if he ever received the twelve shillings from the sale of the livestock. Thomas also left his wife, Elizabeth, "all my stock of cattle except one cow and calf and all my hogs and sheep, and one bed and bedsted and furniture the dressors in the kitchen and all the

An Allred Family Moves West

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articles on them and one iron pot and dutch oven.”

In 1811, James and Elizabeth Warren moved from Kentucky to Bedford County, Tennessee, where William and Elizabeth were living as well as many other family members. Also in 1811, Isaac married Mary Calvert in Bedford County.

James and Elizabeth Warren spent the next 19 years in Bedford County. Eight more children were born there: Sally, Isaac, Rueben Warren, Wiley Payne, Nancy Chummy, Eliza Maria, James Tillman Sanford and John Franklin Lafayette.

Children of Isaac and Mary

Isaac and Mary Calvert had nine children born in either Bedford County or Nashville. They were Elizabeth Martin, John Calvert, Nancy Weeks, Sarah Lovisa, William Moore, twins Reddick and Reddin, Mary Caroline, James Riley, and Paulinus Harvey.

The tax list for Bedford County for 1812 shows the following Allreds on the list: James Allred, Isaac Allred, William Allred and William Allred, Jun. Also listed were Joseph Calvert and John Colvert. John Colvert was probably John Calvert, the father of Mary Calvert, who married Isaac Allred. Joseph Ivey was also listed. The Ivey/Ivey families intermarried with several Allreds.



The Allred property was in Farmington south of the Duck River nearer the west branch of the Rock Creek. Today this land is in Marshall County which was established in 1828. (*See the map in AFO Newsletter No. 48, page 10.*)

In 1824, William, father of James and Isaac, died in Bedford County. Some family records indicate he died in 1808 a year before his father. However, William is listed on the 1812 tax roles, so we know he was alive then.

Six years later in 1830, James and Elizabeth Warren, their children, Isaac and Mary Calvert, their children, the widow, Elizabeth, and their sister, Sarah, and her husband, Joseph Anderson Ivie, and brother, John, and their families moved 500 miles from Bedford County northwest to Ralls County, Missouri. Ralls was soon divided into Monroe County. The Allred family named their community on the Salt River, Allred Settlement.

Missouri was admitted into the Union in 1821 and had been a state nine years, when the large Allred family moved there.



The Duck River in Tennessee flows many miles through southcentral Tennessee. Many Allred and Ivie birthplaces are listed as Duck's River. Most births probably occurred near the Farmington area.

In Tennessee, the Allred children probably began receiving some schooling. Education was very limited in Georgia when they lived there. William Moore Allred, son of Isaac and Mary Calvert, wrote that he taught his twin brothers, Reddick and Reddin, to spell and read after the family moved to Missouri.

The 12th and last child of James and Elizabeth Warren was born there in 1831, Andrew Jackson Allred.

In Monroe County, Joseph Anderson and Isaac Morley were born to Isaac and Mary Calvert Allred. In Caldwell County, Missouri, their last child, Sidney Rigdon was born.

In 1831 two missionaries from the new Mormon Church visited the community. They were Hyrum Smith and John Murdock. The families listened to their message, but were not baptized.

In his will, Thomas refers to God several times. In his autobiography, William Moore Allred, son of Isaac and Mary Calvert, said his parents were very religious and he remembers attending Sabbath School and camp meetings where he was born (Tennessee).

A year later on September 10, 1832, 19 family members were baptized in the Salt River. A branch of the Mormon Church was established as the Salt River Branch. 1832 was also the year Brigham Young became a Mormon.

For the next 20 years the Allreds became part of the Mormon movement in Missouri, Illinois and then west to Utah.

The focus of this article is on the first 45 years of the Allred Trek. After 1832, the families moved a great deal over the next 20 years as their religion moved west. I wondered why they moved so often during the early years. There could have been lots of reasons including better land opportunities.

However, the book, *A History of Sanpete County*, indicates that James Allred considered Manti "overcrowded" in 1851 when he arrived there. His son James T. S. Allred, was the first Allred in Sanpete County, and was a Manti founder. After spending the winter in Manti, where they were protected from winter and gathered provisions, in March 1852, they moved

to the Canal Creek area, now Spring City.

Overcrowding probably accounted for some of the Allred wanderlust.

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Sources: *The History of Banks County, Georgia 1858-1976* by Jessie Julie Mize, Banks County Chamber of Commerce, *The Allred Family in America* by R.C. Allred, *James and Elizabeth Allred* by Linda Allred Steele, A List of the Free Taxable Inhabitants in the County of Bedford in the Year 1812 taken and returned by the Justices appointed by an Order of the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions of said County agreeable to an Act of the General Assembly in such cases made and provided passed at Knoxville on the 1st day or November, 1811, and *A History of Sanpete County* by Albert C.T. Antrei and Allen D. Roberts.

Manti Destiny Fund

A pioneer heritage center and memorial gardens are under construction in Manti, UT, just below the Manti Temple on Highway 89. The center and gardens honor the pioneer families who came to the Central Utah Valleys from 1849 to 1888.

The families of James and Isaac Allred were early settlers in Sanpete County. James Tillman Sanford Allred, at age 24, arrived with the first company in Manti in November of 1849. He was a son of James and Elizabeth Warren Allred.

Today there are thousands of descendants of James and Isaac Allred. If you are interested in making a contribution to the Manti Destiny Committee, a private, non-profit corporation of the State of Utah, please contact Jane Braithwaite, toll free 1-877-876-0238 or 435-835-5841. The Web site is www.mantiheritage.com. Bronze plaques with family names will be placed in the memorial gardens. There is a March 30, 2002, deadline for contributions for the plaques.

The new heritage center will display, exhibit and provide a clearing house for family histories, including Manti/Sanpete colonizers and pioneers. Books, documents, photographs, artifacts and other memorabilia will be preserved in the library, archives and museum.

John Calvin Allred, Jr.

Toccoa, Stephens County, Georgia

John Calvin Allred, Jr., 1858 – 1939, was Toccoa's first photographer. He opened his "Photograph Gallery" in 1898, and the first location of the business was where the U.S. Post office building now stands. Later the Gallery was moved to a building near the overhead bridge on Pond Street.

Calvin Allred, Jr., married Mary Burilla Chastain, 1873 – 1941, and they had two daughters, Willie Mae, 1907 – 1979; Ruby, 1914 – 1994. William Mae married Dennis Brown and she lived her entire life in Stephens County.

John Calvin Allred, Jr., was born in Old Jackson County, now Banks County, Georgia, and was reared in the Leatherwood area near Curahee Mountain. His father, was a Civil War Veteran, Treasurer of Habersham County for three terms, an ordained Baptist minister, and a

charter member of Shiloh Baptist Church in Stephens County. John Calvin, Sr., was the grandson of Elias Allred, Sr., a Revolutionary War soldier.

John Calvin Allred, Jr. had one sister, Mary Jane Allred, 1862 – 1932, who married William Newton Friar. The Friars lived for many years in the Tugalo River area and had the following children: Steve, Ruth (Hosea), John, Pauline (Miles), and Henry.

James Calvin Allred, Jr. and his wife are buried in Rock Creek Baptist Church Cemetery, Stephens County, Georgia. James Calvin Allred, Sr., and his wife, Wilda Terrell Davis Allred are buried at Shiloh Baptist Church Cemetery.

Submitted by Carolyn B. Scott for *The Heritage of Stephens County and Its People*, published in 1996, by the Stephens County Historical Society.
(John Calvin, Jr., John Calvin, Sr., Elias, Thomas)

Comments on Renewal Forms

I'd like to see more histories.

*Erma Pugmire
Tremonton, UT*

I'd like to see anything about our ancestors.

*William Farnsworth,
McLean, VA*

The Web site is great!!!

*Charlotte Walker
Cookeville, IN*

I read everything from cover to cover.

*Ray Howell
Orem, UT*

I enjoy reading all of the newsletter. You do a fantastic job!

*Dedra Routh
Franklinville, NC*

I'd like to see something about the James Allred who married Missouri Horner.

*Mary Ann Dowman
Freeport, IL*

Thanks for all your great work!

*Gordon T. Allred
Ogden, UT*

Where is the location of the pot of gold buried way back with my name on it?

*Jack Allred
Siler City, NC*

I enjoy the newsletter very much!

*Ruth Ann Jones
Pleasant Garden, NC*

Any news is good news! Keep up the good work!

*Fonda Hughes
Dove Canyon, CA*

More research articles.

*Joan A. Ray
Gold Canyon, AZ*

I would like to see more pictures and perhaps an article on our line of the family. (Jesse Allred (1783-1844) Randolph County, NC

*Becky Allred Sexton
Asheboro, NC*

I would like to read about the background of Linda Allred Cooper

*S. Aaron Allred
High Point, NC*

Replacement of Ancestor's Tombstones

Repairing or replacing broken or weather beaten tombstones of Allred ancestors is a project of the East Coast Allreds. Group members have visited various cemeteries in Randolph County, NC. When they find tombstones that are broken, lying on the ground and very hard to read, they determine whether a repair will be made or whether it should be replaced.

Repairs are usually inexpensive, but replacing a tombstone costs several hundred dollars. So far, three tombstones on ancestors' graves at Patterson Grove Christian Church, near Franklinville, Randolph County have been replaced.

The first was purchased for Charlie Allred (1885-1968). Only a metal funeral home marker was on his grave. The group "adopted" Charlie as

the first project and affectionately began calling him "Poor Charlie."

The second tombstone was for Balaam Allred (1803-1857) who was a grandson of the "original" John.

The most recent tombstone purchase was for Alfred Allred (1833-1854), a great grandson of the "original" John. The group leaves the original stone on the graves and places the new one beside it. Alfred's stone was fragile and thin. It was broken in three pieces and laid on the ground.

If you want to assist in this project or learn more, contact Linda Allred Cooper at lacooper@mindspring.com or PO Box 1044, Pittsboro, NC 27312.



New and old tombstones for Alfred Allred.



New and old tombstones for Balaam Allred.



New tombstone for Charlie Allred.

An Allred Family



Porter Allred, a student at Bowdoin College, Brunswick, ME, is standing by Independence Rock in Wyoming. The words inscribed on the rock are difficult to see, but they read:

R.W. Allred Sept '49

A. Taylor Co.

These words were inscribed by Reuben Warren Allred in 1849. He was part of the Alan Taylor wagon company on the way to Utah. Taylor was the leader of the wagon company. Porter is a descendant of Reuben Warren Allred, a son of James and Elizabeth Thrasher Allred. In another issue, the GPS coordinates for the location on Independence Rock will be furnished. Photo submitted by Dee Allred.



The three oldest children of Birt and Anna Johnson Allred in 1908 in Moab, UT. Pratt is the baby with older brother, Wendell, and sister, Fay.

Wendell, Fay and Pratt, Birt, Wilson Monroe, William Hackley, James, William, Thomas

Photo Album



Lucinda Foust Allred (1857-1931), wife of Murphy Allred (1860-1928). (Jessee, Maloy, Murphy). Murphy and Lucinda lived in Randolph County, NC. They are buried at Grays Chapel United Methodist Church Cemetery.



Allred descendant, Michael Cooper, 15, finished the 2001 racing season ranked 12 out of 120 competitors on the Allison Legacy National Racing Series. He received an award from Donald Allison, son of NASCAR racing legend, Donnie Allison, at the annual Allison Legacy Racing Banquet. Michael is the son of Linda Allred Cooper.



Gurnie Allred (1909-1949), his wife, Pauline Rich, their daughter, Hazel and Gurnie's sister, Ella. Photo taken about 1934 in Randolph County, NC. (Gurnie, George Montor, Warren H. Maloy, Jesse). Photo submitted by Robert Bryan.

Warren H. Allred (1849-1932) and wife, Sarah Millikan Allred (1848-1926). (Warren, Maloy, Jesse) Randolph County, NC. Submitted by their great grandson, Robert Bryan, Greensboro, NC



Warren Allred, his wife, Sarah Milliken Allred, and Tom Allred. The young girl is unidentified. (Warren, Maloy, Warren). The family lived in northeast Randolph County, NC. Photo submitted by Robert Bryan.

The Box

Membership Report

We started 2001 with 407 members and now we now have 460 members. We are growing! These members are scattered across the country, representing 39 different states. Eleven of these memberships are complimentary. Eight memberships were given to libraries that provide copies of the newsletter for patrons in their genealogy departments. The other three complimentary memberships were given to Don Allred (California) of the Allred Family Roster; Dawnell Griffin (Utah), AFO lead researcher; and Michael Marshall (Virginia); who each provide tremendous research information and support to the AFO.

Linda Allred Cooper

Secretary's Report

Our Board of Directors is currently discussing our first member-wide officer election. According to our Allred Family Organization Bylaws, officers of our board of directors serve two year terms and elections are to be held every two years. Since we re-organized, the AFO in November 2000, our current officers' terms will expire November 2002. The Officers are: President, Vice President, Executive Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer.

In the past, AFO Officers were nominated and elected during the Allred Reunion held in Spring City, UT, each June. This process worked in the past since most of the AFO members lived in Utah and were able to attend the reunion. But as the AFO has grown and more members joined representing more states, many were not able to attend the reunion because of distance and expense of traveling. As part of our re-organization goals, we want to be able to offer all AFO members a chance to participate in the election, no matter where they live. Now we have to figure out how to do this and that is our main topic of discussion right now. If you have experience in these matters and would like to help or offer advice, we welcome your comments!

Sue Whitley Estep

Treasurer's Report

At the end of the Fourth Quarter of 2001, the AFO Budget continues to look great! Our total income for the year was \$10,263.50. The vast majority of our income comes from AFO membership dues. The rest comes from contributions, donations, and bank account interest.

Our total expenses for 2001 were \$7,615.98. Expenses include all costs involved with printing and mailing the newsletter, audit and tax preparation, postage, printing and copying various business correspondence, costs involved with setting up our future nationwide tax exempt status and a small amount of office supplies for officers.

This leaves us with a balance of \$2,647.52 in the bank. A successful first year working with a strict budget! Now we have to all work hard to maintain and increase our membership numbers so we will continue to have financially successful years. This is the money we want and need to continue our research into our Allred family history.

Joyce Allred

Allred Family Roster Update

By Donald Clemont Allred (01020306091203)
Clement TWIN, Ephraim Lafayette, Reuben
Warren, James, William, Thomas

For those just joining us the Allred Family Roster is a 14 year old project of compiling Allred descendants. The heart of the Roster is the Every Name Index, a searchable database of Allred descendency which has been on the Internet at www.AllredRoster.com since July 1997.

	Web site stats	Record Times
	Count	Viewed/Used
Home page	n/a	73,709
Every Name Index	144,901	650,644
Histories	126	17,034
Obituaries	2,723	8,453
Photos	497	10,407
Document archive	31 3	693
History text search	2,137	820 834
Allreds in the Social	19,274	2,003
Security death index		

Every Name Index stats

Number of families: 103
Allred Descendants: 83,816
Spouses & in-laws: 61,085
Unique surnames: 12,141
Allred surname: 16,836

Prior to the tragic events of September 11, 2001, the Every Name Index was getting used 16,000 to 18,000 times a month! Since then it's averaged about 10,000 searches per month. I don't have a good explanation. Since September 11 overall Internet activity has decreased while hacker attacks have increased. Life goes on.

While Roster data submissions have recently decreased, we have received additions to several family lines that ended (as far as we knew) well over a hundred years ago. This increases to potential size of our family considerably.

The Allred Family Roster project takes a lot of time and a little money. Time I have (now) since I've been out of work for several months; money is non-existent for the above reason. I mention this because the Roster must be self-supported. I can't afford to foot the bill at this time so to continue, I need donations or a job.

If want to add dynamic content to your Web site give me a call at 818/892-5817. I also do desktop database applications, list creation/maintenance and Web site promotion. You can find my resume at www.AllredRoster.com along with endless demonstrations of my programming skills.

To support the Allred Family Roster please send your donation in any amount to:

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<http://www.AllredRoster.com>

Till next time I remain one of your zillion cousins,

Don
Don@AllredRoster.com

J. Urban Allred: A Tribute

A number of things happen lately that have sparked my interest in writing this article. First and foremost is the realization of the great amount of time and work that went into Dr. Rulon C.

Allred's book, *The Allred Family in America*. It is a wonderful book, in spite of some mistakes.

In the beginning, Dr. Allred did most of his own research. When he lived in California, he did much of the research in the LDS genealogical library there. After moving to Salt Lake City, he also used the library there. Over time, he made friends across the United States who contributed to his efforts. One of these friends was J. Urban Allred. He was the son of James Henry Allred, and the grandson of Paulinus H. Allred, (who was the brother of William Moore, Rulon's great grandfather). Also contributing considerable assistance was Louis Ephriam Allred, a descendant of James Allred. (James Allred was the older brother of Isaac. Isaac was the father of William Moore and Paulinus H.) Another contributor was J. Urban's brother, Rodney C. Allred.

In the early 1930's, an organization was formed with the main objective of producing the book, *The Allred Family in America*, and finding our Allred ancestors. This organization was called, ***Allred-Alred-Allured-Aldred-Allread Family Organization***. The letterhead of this organization states - President: Rodney C. Allred; Secretary: Viola Stout; Research and Correlation Committee: J. Urban Allred, Louis E. Allred and Dr. Rulon C. Allred, Salt Lake City, Utah.

In the Preface to his book, Dr. Allred states: "Archibald F. Bennett, Secretary of the Genealogical Society of Utah, has, over a period of many years, given the Allred Family Organization a most capable assistance; and it is to him that we owe the first part of this work".

Obviously there were many people that put time and effort into the making this book. However, I do not have much information on Archibald F. Bennett, and since he was a professional researcher doing the work, he was

asked to do so by the organization; this tribute is not directed to him. Even I helped in the last stages of the book, putting in time on the final compilation.

In issue No. 6 of our first Allred Family Newsletters, Clara Allred Smith wrote an article concerning J. Urban Allred. "JU" (as he was called by his family), went to the Southeastern states on two different occasions, each of his visits were three months long. On his first visit, he left in early December and arrived in Asheboro, NC, December 17, 1931, 3:30 p.m. He had no transportation of his own, having no car and not being able to rent a car in those days, so most of his traveling was on foot, or else one of our gracious Allred cousins would give him a ride. There he was, at the beginning of winter, during the Great Depression, when the majority of the population of the United States was unemployed. People were living on what they could grow in their own yards or on their farms. Personal transportation was at best, hard to find, and yet, JU traveled to North Carolina, from Salt Lake City, back to Missouri and then back to North Carolina again. He then traveled South, covering many of the southern states. As Clara Allred Smith states in her article, "JU" traveled over twenty-two states, during his two visits, and collected over 1500 Allred and kindred names.

During the summer of 1946, he made his last visit to the southern states for an Allred family reunion and to do more genealogy work. J. Urban not only went to the southern states on his search for his family, but after finding many of them, he kept up communication with many of them by mail. I have in my possession, two different letters (carbon copies) written to JU from a Mr. S. S. Allred, from Daisy, TN, dated August 18, 1946. Both letters speak of the reunion to be held at Grays Chapel, in Franklinville, North Carolina, and the genealogy of the families being done.

Minutes of that meeting state that J. Urban Allred gave the opening prayer at the reunion. Louis E. Allred gave a talk and then J. Urban gave



1946 Allred Reunion at Grays Chapel. From the left are Edward Clay Allred, Rachel Coltrane, Rodney Allred, James Allred, Jim Allred with his wife and baby, Worth Allred, J. Urban Allred, Handy Allred and Raymond Allred. Rachel Coltrane and Handy Allred were the historian chairpersons for the reunion. James Allred was the president and Raymond Allred was the reunion secretary (note he is holding the reunion minute notebook).

a talk. Rodney C. (Chase) Allred gave the closing prayer.

“JU” lived in Raymond, Alberta, Canada, during this time of his life, and a short life sketch was written about him and his family in a book on Raymond, Alberta, Canada. It states: “After making Raymond his home for 35 years, he and Edna made a big decision to move back to Utah. This was not easy to pull up roots, leaving Uncle Clarence and Aunt Bessie and other relatives and life-long friends and four graves up on the hill. But, on September 27, 1937, they did leave with their children: Lucile, Odessa, Helen, Hugh, Bruce, and Eileen. Ruth was serving a mission and Kate, David and Jesina were married and living in the U.S. They chose Logan for their new home because of the university and the temple. Here “JU” became involved in real estate and a little farming. But his first love was genealogy and temple work. He was an ordinance worker for 10 years. He was proud of his children and grandchildren and they loved to visit with him and listen to his stories. He passed away June 25, 1956, at 82. Edna passed away July 28, 1965, at 76. They are buried in the Lehi Cemetery next to Amelia. Amelia, his first wife, died and was buried in Lehi, Utah, on June 26, 1912.

Much has been said over the years, by family members on both sides, of the disappointment that “JU” had in publishing of this book, *The Allred Family in America*. I am not trying to minimize that, to concur with it or to deny it in any way. What I am trying to do is emphasize the great efforts that “JU” went to, to gather the genealogy and unite his family.

In my grandfather’s diary of his missionary travels, he states that he had walked so far that he

literally wore out his shoes and ended up walking barefoot for a while before some one gave him another pair of shoes. On his two trips to the southeastern United States, “JU” did much walking as well.

In my trips to North Carolina, and among the people I met there, I became aware of “JU’s” faithfulness to his search. Many spoke of the men from Salt Lake City, who came to visit and be a part of them and their family work. There are many people in North Carolina that remember that visit in 1946 for the reunion. Even the younger folks remember the excitement their parents had regarding this visit from the Allreds from the West. They remember the love and mutual family respect given from both sides to each other. It is also very evident in the help he received from these family members in the East. The same feeling still prevails now, a feeling of unity between family members, wherever they may be.

So to J. Urban Allred, thank you for your diligent effort and long, hard hours you devoted in researching our family name. Thank you for your many long days away from your loved ones, not knowing their current welfare. Thank you for your faith, knowing the Lord would provide for you as well as take care of your family while you pursued this most worthwhile endeavor. Most of all, thank you for the wonderful job you did in uniting our family.

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