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Grave of "Original" William Allred Found in North Carolina

by Linda Allred Cooper

Linda, Jack, Jesse Booker, George Scotton, Emsley, Jesse, ?

Early in March 2002, the East Coast Allreds visited the long abandoned Allred-Trogdon Cemetery in Randolph County, NC. This graveyard, originally owned by William Trogdon "the Patriot," contains graves dating back to the late 1700s. It was abandoned about 100 years ago. Located in the woods on top of a small mountain near Cedar Falls, local family stories have always led us to believe many of our original

North Carolina ancestors were buried there.

Mother Nature has all but reclaimed this cemetery. A thick carpet of periwinkle covers the ground. Small trees and brush blocked and hid many of the graves. Fallen trees lay on top of others. Although we could see the sunken impressions of many graves, most no longer have tombstones marking them. Others have only rocks marking their burial site.

As the men began talking about how the cemetery should be cleaned up and which trees should be cut down and removed, the women

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Graves of Elizabeth Diffie Allred (left) and William Allred (right) discovered in March 2002.

William Allred Grave Discovered

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began trying to read the existing tombstones. Nancy Martin, Becky Allred Sexton, Sara Allred and I were “chalking” two tombstones standing side by side nearest the dirt road leading to the cemetery when Nancy remarked: “These dates match the dates on the wills for Elizabeth and William Allred.” All of us stopped and looked closer, hardly believing what we were looking at. The graves of William Allred and his wife, Elizabeth Diffie Allred, had been found!

Immediately we photographed and recorded the information on the stones. I rushed home to look at my copies of William and Elizabeth’s wills and estate records. Yes! The dates matched! The graves are indentified! The noise you heard in the distance that day was the sound of us shouting and celebrating!

William Allred, the man we call “The Original William” wrote his will October 14, 1822. In it he named his wife, Elizabeth; children, John, William, Elizabeth and Nancy and slave, Kintire. This will was proven during the May term of Court 1825. This information tells us that William died sometime between October 14, 1822, and the May term of Court 1825. Wills were generally brought to court shortly after the person’s death, so we felt William had most likely died either in late April or early May 1825, but without a grave or other documentation, we had no way of proving this before now. William’s tombstone proves our theory was correct. He died May 3, 1825.

Elizabeth Diffie Allred wrote her will October 27, 1827. It listed her heirs as Samuel Allred,

Elizabeth Duncan, Sarah Elliott, William Allred, Thomas, son of Eli Allred, John Diffie and Elizabeth Laughlin. She also states that the balance of her estate is to be sold and proceeds equally divided between “my living brothers and sisters and where any of my brothers or sisters are deceased, their children to have on share with those living except John Diffie Jr. and Elizabeth Laughlin.” Elizabeth’s will was proven in open court during the November term of Court 1827, telling us she died very quickly after writing her will. (Her estate was sold at auction on December 3, 1827.) Her tombstone documents our theory, Elizabeth died the day after writing her will, October 28, 1827.

One rule that I have learned in genealogy is proving true with these exciting finds. When you find the answer to one question, it leads you to 20 more questions. Genealogy is a never-ending quest for these answers.

Elizabeth’s will lists her heirs, but she never calls them her children. She simply lists their names. Were they really her children? Was she their stepmother, the second wife of William? If so, who was the real mother of these children?

Among these heirs, is Thomas son of Eli Allred. Eli was the son of the “original” Thomas. Why was the grandson of the “original” Thomas listed as one of Elizabeth’s heirs? Current research has led us to believe that although William went by the last name of Allred, he was actually an Elrod and changed the spelling of his name shortly after arriving in North Carolina in 1753. Since he was an Elrod, he was not related to John, Thomas or Solomon Allred, the other three “originals. But, why did Elizabeth specifically mention Eli, son of Thomas, as one of her heirs? Were they really related?

Were they just friends? If they were related, was it because William was actually an Allred? Or were they related through the Diffie family? The list of questions goes on and on.

But, the answer to one question has been answered! We now know where the “original” William and his wife Elizabeth Diffie Allred are buried! Hooray! We think John and Thomas were buried on their land in Randolph County.

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Solomon was buried in Richmond County, NC, where he died, but no grave has been found yet.

Photos of all of the graves found in the Allred-Trogdon Cemetery can be seen on the AFO web site at www.allredfamily.org. Click on North Carolina, then follow the links to Randolph County cemeteries.

Elizabeth Diffie Allred's Will (1827)

In the name of God Amen.

I Elizabeth Allred being in a low state of health but of sound mind and memory do make this my last will and testament.

First I give and bequeath to Samuel Allred one walnut chest and one pair of dressers

Secondly I give to Elizabeth Duncan one pewter dish and pewter bason.

Thirdly I give to Sarah Elliott one stand of curtains.

Fourthly I give to William Allred, Senr, one pewter tankard

Fifthly I give and bequeath to Thomas Allred son of Eli Allred a certain tract of land lying on the waters of Sandy Creek adjoining Samuel Trogdon containing one hundred and forty four acres.

Sixly I give to John Diffie one sheep

Sevently I give to Elizabeth Laughlin one sheep

The balance of my estate to be sold and an equal division made between my living brothers and sisters and where any of my brothers or sisters are deceased their children to have one share with those living except John Diffie Jr. and Elizabeth Laughlin. And I appoint Elisha Coffin Executor.

October the 27 day 1827

Witness my hand and seal Elizabeth (her mark)
Allred

Attest William Swafford

State of North Carolina Court of Pleas and
Quarter Sessions

Randolph County, November Term 1827

The Execution of this will of Elizabeth Allred
was proved in open court by

William Swafford and James Odell and ordered
to be recorded.

Jesse Harper CCC

The Four "Original" Allred Brothers

To the best of our knowledge and research, William Elrod / Allred was born around the Fall or Winter of 1738 in Frederick County, Maryland. But, there is no documentation to prove this, just a lot of circumstantial evidence.

He definitely was not born in North Carolina. No white settlers are documented being in central North Carolina prior to 1742. William's tombstone lists his death date May 3, 1825. No birth date is listed on the tombstone.

No one knows where or when John, Solomon and Thomas were born. No one has ever been able to document anything about them prior to the land grants they received in the 1750's. Based on the ages of their children, the dates they received their land grants, and other clues, we think - and I stress that this is just a guess - that.

John was probably the oldest of the three men, possibly born around 1725. Where is not known. If we knew that, we could possibly figure out who his parents were. If he is the son of Solomon Allred who was in Chester County, Pennsylvania, in the 1720's, then he was born in Chester County. But, first, we have to prove he was Solomon's son. He wrote his will September 15, 1792, and it was proven in court during the December 1792 term. He died sometime between the day he wrote his will and the middle of December 1792, but an exact date is not known.

Solomon was probably the middle son, possibly born around 1730. Again, where is not known. He did not leave a will, but his estate was settled in court on December 26, 1782, so he died sometime prior to that date.

Thomas was probably the youngest of the three men. Based on the ages of his children and everything else we know about him, he was probably born around 1740. Again, where is not known. Thomas wrote his will on November 8, 1809, and it was proven in court during the May Session of Court 1810, so he died sometime between those two dates. Since wills are usually taken to court shortly after the person dies, he probably died in late April or early May 1810, but that's just a guess.

Linda Allred Cooper

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
256/247-35652 or MallredMJ@aol.com

Kansas Allred Reunion

August 3, 2002
Sedgwick County Park
6501 West 21st St. North
Wichita, Kansas
This reunion is for the descendants of Jerome Bonapart Allred.
Dianna Allred Bourke Privette, 316/943-0192 or aymara@worldnet.att.net

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. including a trip to the Allred-Trogdon Cemetery where the graves of William and Elizabeth Diffie Allred are located.

For more information, contact Linda Allred Cooper 919/542-3077 or lacooper@mindspring.com.

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.

Tennessee Allred Reunion

July 4, 2002
Overton County, TN, at Standing Stone Park
The reunion begins at 10:30 a.m. with a covered dish/potluck lunch at Noon.

The location is the covered pavilion near the swimming pool and swings. (Great for families with 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 Stone 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 Mirion Cloud, 817/892-5817, or skipcloud@prodigy.net.

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.

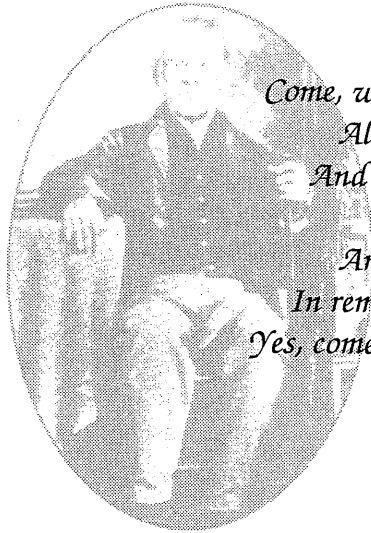
Recipes for main dishes/meats, appetizers, bread, salads, vegetables and deserts are included.

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

JUNE 28th & 29th, 2002

ALLRED REUNION

1852-2002



*Come, walk with me in the quiet ways
Along time's mellow yesterday's,
And we will seek the memory glow
Beside the lanes of long ago,
And other treasures we will find
In remembered pastures of the mind,
Yes, come my friend, and walk with me
Along the lanes of memory
- By Ezra J. Poulsen*

JAMES ALLRED

Founder Spring City, Utah - March 22, 1852

FRIDAY JUNE 28TH

12:00 noon – 4:00pm
Games for the kids

3:00pm – 5:00pm
Family Circles

5:00pm – 8:00pm
Fire Pit Get together
Dinner \$3.50
Per person
Spit Roast Beef
Salad, Beans & Rolls

Live Entertainment

HIGHLIGHTING 7 ALLRED FAMILY LINES



WILLIAM HACKLEY ALLRED

REDDICK NEWTON ALLRED

SALLY ALLRED IVIE

ISAAC ALLRED

WILLIAM MOORE ALLRED

REUBEN WARREN ALLRED

PAULINAS HARVEY ALLRED

SATURDAY JUNE 29TH

9:00am

Family meeting including
Rocky Mountain Allred
Organization Business

10:00am – 2:00pm
Family Presentations

12:00 noon
BBQ Lunch \$3.50
Per person

9:00am – 3:00pm
Children's games including
Cemetery Scramble

2:30pm – 4:00pm
Raffle & Auction

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Settlement
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Allred First in 1930 Census

by Jim & Joyce Allred
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We arose early, 6:30 a.m. (well, that's early for us), to a beautiful bright spring day on April 1, 2002. We drove a short way to the Park-n-Ride to catch the shuttle bus to the Metro (subway) headed for Washington, DC. It was standing room only. Seems all the federal workers were back from spring break. No one was talking, everybody was reading the newspaper or a magazine, and some were catching a few more minutes of sleep.

It was a truly big day in the nation's capitol – the Cherry Blossom Festival was getting underway, Laura Bush was kicking off the Annual Easter Egg Roll on the White House lawn AND most importantly, at least to us, the 1930 Federal Census was being opened to the public at the National Archives.

The National Archives is a Neo-Classical building designed by noted architect, J.R. Pope. It is located a short distance from the White House, just down Pennsylvania Avenue.

We were greeted at the massive Archives doors by an armed security guard who directed us to the registration table located in the grand two-story marble foyer, illuminated by four 8' tall electric torchieres. After passing through a metal detector and having our packages searched by four other guards (security is high in Washington, DC, these days), we were issued passes and allowed to take the elevator to the fourth floor. The anticipation was building among our fellow elevator passengers. The elevator opened on the lobby outside the research room. The lobby was crowded with reporters, photographers and was brightly illuminated by klieg lights for the TV cameras. After a short speech highlighting the unique aspects of the 1930 census, the ceremonial red, white and blue ribbon stretched across the entry was cut by the Chief Archivist of the United States, John Carlin and C. Louis Kincannon, Director of the Census Bureau, and the research room was officially opened.

This huge research room contains hundreds of "readers" for viewing the microfilm reels on which the census records are stored. The reels are located in cabinets lining the walls. There is an ancillary room full of copying machines for making copies of the census records.

Because we had done a lot of "homework" on the 1930 census, we were prepared to go straight to the task before us. Joyce quickly located the proper reel for Canton, Ohio, placed it on the reader and almost immediately found Edward and Nannie Allred, Jim's parents. **This was the first public record of the 1930 census to be displayed in the country – AND – it was an Allred family.** When Joyce let out a yelp of glee, reporters, photographers and media people clustered around us to share in this historic moment. They snapped pictures, asked questions and generally wanted to know our reaction to finding this treasure. We were interviewed by the *Washington Post* newspaper, ABC news, CNN news and other reporters from local media. We talked about the value of family history, the excitement of doing genealogical research and the Allred Family Organization.

After the media excitement quieted down, we continued our search for other family members. The producer for ABC news returned and indicated they were very excited about doing an in depth interview for the Peter Jennings newscast of April 1, 2002. We asked if this was an April Fool's Day joke and they assured us it was not. They had visited the Allred Family website and were very impressed with the professionalism of it and ease of navigation. They invited us to the ABC studios to discuss further the impact of the day, genealogy and the value of exploring and documenting our family histories.

The hour-long interview was compressed into a very brief segment shown on ABC World News with Peter Jennings April 1, 2002. CNN Headline News also showed a clip of Jim and Joyce.

Now, as they say, for the rest of the story.

The original purpose of the census was to

determine how many representatives each state would be allowed to send to the US Congress. The 1930 census is the 15th census, the first being conducted in 1790. By federal law, a census cannot be opened to the public for 72 years. The 1930 census consists of 4,254 rolls of microfilm; 2,667 of them are population schedules and 1587 are rolls of Soundex indexes for 12 southern states.

The 1930 census has a wealth of socio-economic information:

- **Place of Abode** i.e. - street name, house number
- **Name** of every person living in the “abode” as of April 1, 1930
- **Relationship** of each person listed to the head of the family
- **Home Data** i.e., house owned or rented, value of home if owned, or monthly rental; whether the family owned a radio set; whether the family lived on a farm
- **Personal Description** of each person including sex, race, age, marital “condition” and age at first marriage
- **Education** since September 1, 1929, and whether able to read or write
- **Place of Birth** of each person and of his/her parents
- **Mother Tongue of Foreign Born** i.e., language spoken in home before coming to US
- **Citizenship, etc.** - year of immigration, naturalization, whether able to speak English
- **Occupation and Industry**, i.e., trade, profession, or particular kind of work (spinner, salesman, riveter, teacher, etc) and industry or business (cotton mill, dry-goods, shipyard, etc.) and “class of worker”
- **Employment**, i.e., “whether actually at work yesterday (or the last regular working day)” and if not, “line number on unemployment schedule”
- **Veteran**, what war or expedition
- **Number of Farm Schedule**

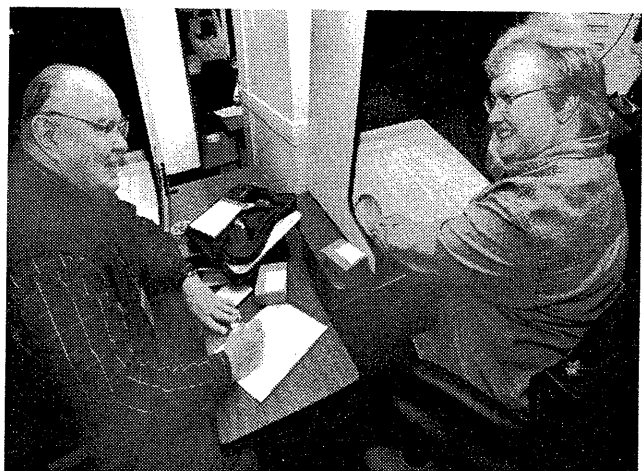


Photo by Frank Johnston--The Washington Post
Jim and Joyce Allred located his family records on opening day of the 1930 Census at the National Archives. Jim was pleased to learn his parents owned a radio in 1930.

The 1930 census will present researchers a major challenge for a while. Because Soundexing was a Works Progress Administration (WPA) project, when the WPA was disbanded in the 1940s there were a limited number of Soundex indexes completed (10 whole and 2 partial southern states) for the 1930 census. State alphabetical surname listings are not yet available for the 1930 census. However, the National Archives has Enumeration District Descriptions and Maps available.

So, what does all this mean? Until the alphabetical state indexes are published, you must have a very good idea where the party you are searching was located during the 1930 census in order to use Enumeration District Descriptions and Maps. The National Archives has available for purchase the *1930 Federal Population Census Catalog of National Archives Microfilm*. Their website, www.archives.gov, also has finding aids and some of the above information can be viewed, i.e. enumeration districts.

All in all, we had an extremely rewarding and exciting day attending the opening of the 1930 Federal Census. We encourage everyone to visit one of the regional Archives locations listed on the above website or one of the libraries or history centers that have purchased the 1930 census.

Frederick Copeland Allred

photos and information supplied by
Charlotte Allred Walker

*2nd Lt. Frederick Copeland
Solomon, Theophilus, Jonathan, Bailey,
Frederick "Fed"*

On October 13, 2001, Frederick Copeland Allred was honored with a special Memorial Service conducted by the Dillard-Judd Camp 1828, Tennessee Division Camp of the Year 2000-2001, Sons of Confederate Veterans based in Cookeville, Putnam County, Tennessee. "Fed" is buried in the Copeland Carr Cemetery, Cookeville, TN. The following is an excerpt from speeches made during this Memorial Service.

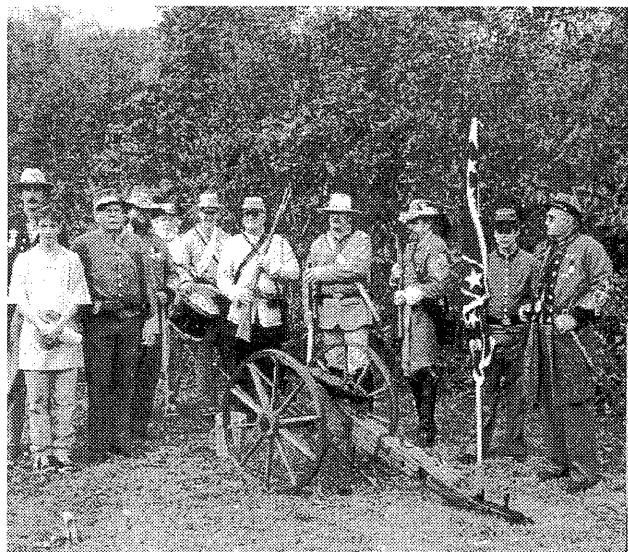
2nd Lt. Frederick Copeland Allred, known as "Fed," was born December 22, 1838, in Overton County, Tennessee. He left this world on August 22, 1924, when he was almost 86 years old. His father was Bailey Allred (1806-1869) and his mother was Sara Copeland (1810-1885). After the War, Frederick Allred would work as Overton

County Trustee. He married Rebecca Copeland on September 14, 1876.

"Fed" served in the 25th Tennessee Infantry, Company H. He was promoted to the rank of 2nd Lieutenant on August 3, 1862, and was a volunteer in the original Zollicoffer's brigade. He moved on to other commanders until entering into Johnson's Brigade on detached duty in the Department of Richmond, Virginia.

"Fed" Allred was severely wounded at the Battle of Stones River, better known as "The Battle of Murfreesboro" on December 31, 1862. He was sent home by an Army surgeon, not able for duty, through the rest of the War.

"Fed" was a proud Confederate soldier and did his job in the Confederate Army as a man of honor. We cannot begin to imagine the horror those brave men like Lt. Allred endured. The cold, the rain, the heat, mud and snow. Many a man even without shoes, dying men laying everywhere. Sounds of cry's, prayers from wounded and dying for God to protect their homes and loved ones.



Participants in the Memorial Service for 2nd Lt. Frederick Copeland Allred, October 13, 2001.

Dillard-Judd

Camp 1828

Sons of Confederate Veterans



Memorial Services

2nd. Lt. Frederick Copeland Allred
25th Tennessee Infantry

Saturday October 13, 2001 2:30 P.M.

An Allred



This photo was submitted by Mildred Allred, granddaughter of George and Ester Allred.

George Emsley Allred, his wife, Ester Lillian Smith Allred. George and Ester lived in Randolph County, NC. According to family stories, they are buried in the Solomon Trogdon Cemetery located along Highway 49 in the county. However, this cemetery was abandoned many years ago and is in a state of disrepair. George and Ester's tombstones are missing, possibly broken or buried under a few inches of forest debris. The East Coast Allreds are planning to clean this cemetery and hope to find all the missing tombstones. Family line: George Emsley, Samuel Hogan, "Tennessee" John, John, William.

Note: George's mother, Abigail Trogdon Allred, was the daughter of Emsley Trogdon who was the son of Solomon Trogdon for whom the cemetery is named. Solomon Trogdon's father, William Trogdon, owned the land where the Billy Trogdon Cemetery is located and where William Allred, George's great great grandfather is buried. The Trogdon and Allred families had many close ties both as friends and because of marriages over the generations)



Allreds everywhere. This is a 1952 photo of the Randolph County, NC, Allred Reunion held at Gray's Chapel United Methodist Church. Note the Gray's Chapel Cemetery in the background. Many Allreds are buried there.

The Allred Reunion has outgrown this site. The 2002 Reunion is scheduled at the school across the street September 7-8.

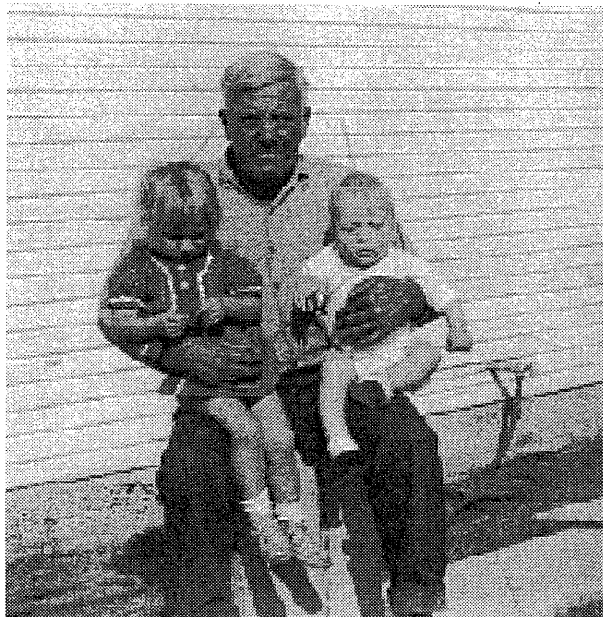
Family Album



John Franklin Newberry and Kizzie Ann Allred family in Newton County, Arkansas, about 1910. On the back are Ova, Chloe and Burk. On the front row are Bell, John holding Elder, Kizzie holding Amon and Essie. The family lineage is Kizzie, Aaron, Johnathan, John, Solomon. Photo submitted by Marilyn Cain.



Mildred Allred
born 19 July 1878
died 1897
Daughter of
Wilson Monroe Allred
and
Barbara Allred

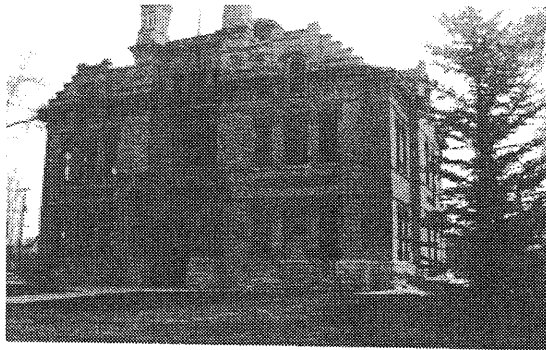


Burrell Lee Allred, son of Wilson Monroe and Barbara Allred, holds his grandchildren, Barbara (Eien) Booth and Burrell Dell Magnusson. 1943 photo. This photo and Mildred Allred photo submitted by Ronald Booth.

From Our First Issue: Spring City

Editor's Note: Several people have commented that would like more personal histories in the newsletter. Because this is the 150th Anniversary Year of Spring City, Utah, we noted two articles published in Volume 1, October 1989 of the Allred Family Newsletter. Because the first issue went to less than 100 people, we are reprinting these two articles about James and Isaac Allred. James was born in Randolph County, North Carolina, and his younger brother, Isaac, was born in Pendleton County, South Carolina.

The Spring City Allred Reunion is the first of the two Allred Anniversary Reunions scheduled for 2002. The 150th Anniversary of the founding of this small town in Central Utah is scheduled for June 28-29. See the poster on page 5.



The Spring City Reunion is located in the old Spring City Public School, 45 South 100 East. The school was built in 1899.

Spring City is located in Sanpete County, Utah, in the center of the state. It's a two-hour drive south from Salt Lake City and very easy to find. Take Highway I-15 South to 89 South. You'll pass through Spanish Fork, Fairview and Mt. Pleasant. At Mt. Pleasant, take the Spring City exit on the south end of town and follow the signs to the reunion site at the Old School.

Isaac Allred

by Inez Allred, wife of David H. Allred

Isaac Allred, son of William Allred and Elizabeth Thresher was born Jan. 27, 1788, in Pendleton [County], South Carolina. He was one of eight children. At the age of 22, he married Mary Calvert. They settled in the community of Farmington in Marshall County [then Bedford County], Tennessee. They lived there for 18 years and had 10 of their children there.

In 1830 the family moved 700 miles north and west to Monroe County, Missouri. Isaac's brother, James, and several of James' married sons had moved there the previous fall and founded what later became known as "Allred Settlement."

Two years later (in 1832), Hyrum Smith and John Murdock preached of a new Prophet by the name of Joseph Smith. James, Isaac and several other Allred families were baptized. It was here that Isaac and Mary had their 11th and 12th children.

When the saints were driven out of Monroe Co., the Allred's moved about 200 miles farther west and settled in Caldwell Co. Mary gave birth to her 13th child here.

The saints were once again driven from their homes by the extermination order of Gov. Boggs. Isaac, Mary and their 13 children moved about 250 miles back east to Hancock County, Illinois.

Isaac and his brother, James, and their families suffered much as they fled from devastated

Caldwell County. They had lost almost everything.

Isaac was a mason and he worked desperately to assist in completion of the Nauvoo Temple. In rags and without much food, they struggled until the temple was completed, and it was there that he and his beloved wife, Mary, received their endowments.

Anxious to own property in Nauvoo, Isaac placed himself under bond to a local landowner, in order to purchase land. The family lived in Nauvoo until 1846 when they were once again forced to flee for their lives. They crossed the Mississippi River on the ice in February 1846. After much deprivation, suffering and sorrow, the family struggled across the whole state of Iowa to a point eight miles east of Council Bluffs. Here he and James and their families including other Allred's formed a camp and planned crops. They stayed in what was called "Allred Camp" until 1848 when they moved west in the Allen Taylor Company. They arrived in Salt Lake on October 10, 1849. Only two years after Isaac and Mary arrived in the valley, Isaac's beloved wife, Mary, passed away.

Two years later, Isaac married a widow lady by the name of Matilda Stewart Park. They moved to Spring City and with his brother, James, was one of the faithful pioneer families. In his declining years, he was cared for by his sons that surrounded him in Spring City. He was highly esteemed by all that knew him.



Isaac Allred is buried in the old Pioneer Cemetery in Spring City. The cemetery is located on First East between Second and Third North.

James Allred



James Allred was a friend to the Prophet Joseph Smith. He endured all the hardships and persecutions that fell upon the early saints.

The following information on the life of James Allred is taken (with permission) from the book *Kiss the Babies for Me*, by Dawnell Griffin:

"At Carthage Jail, the Prophet (Joseph) handed his sword to James Allred and told him he might need it to defend himself. This sword is, at this time, in the possession of Hal Edwards, a third great grandson. After the martyrdom of the Prophet, James Allred went with his sleigh to the mail and brought the badly wounded John Taylor across the fields to the Taylor home."

"In the fall of 1851, President Brigham Young advised "Father Allred" (James) to select a place for settlement where he could locate with his numerous posterity and kindred to preside over them. He chose for his colony what is now known as Spring City, Utah, originally called "The Allred Settlement."

When the family first went to Spring City, they basically camped out from their wagons. However, the family settled on land that is currently located at 450 South 100 East in Spring City. The original James and Elizabeth Warren Allred home, is no longer there. The current house on the site that was built in 1890.

Allreds vs. the Creek Nation Overton County, Tennessee

Linda Allred Cooper

*Linda, Jack, Jesse Booker, George Scotton,
Emsley, Jesse, ?*

On page 57 of the book, *Overton County, Tennessee Genealogical Records*, compiled by Edythe Rucker Whitley, I found an interesting entry. A Legislative Petition had been filed on October 26, 1813, requesting permission to organize to fight the Indians. 119 men signed the petition including Solomon and William Allred, most likely descendants of the “original” Solomon. Overton County was organized in 1806.

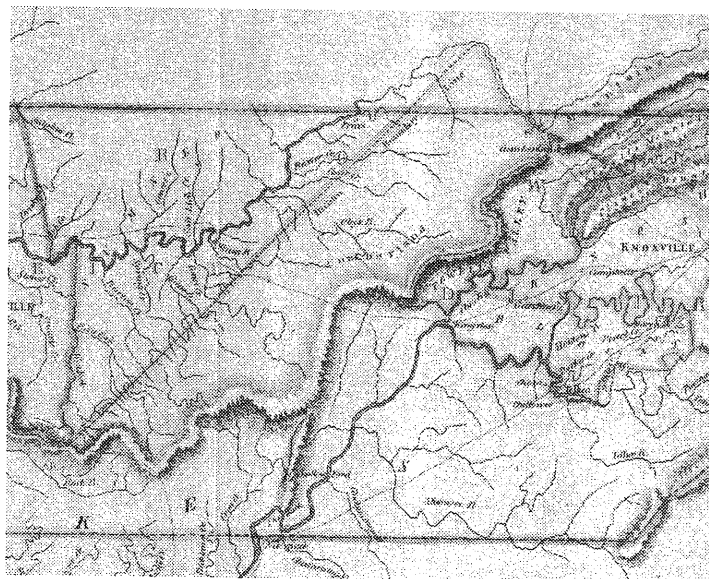
The petition read:

(spelling as written in the petition)

To the Honourable The General Assembly of the State of Tennessee now in Session.....

The Petition of the subscribers, Inhabitants of the County of Overton, Humbly Sheweth, that they

here Disposed. To have a part in the Present War with Britane Majesty’s Savage Allies, Viz. The Creek Nation of Indians, and conceiving they can Render Greater Services to the United States as Mounted men than they could possibly do on foot, do Humbly Request that your Honourable Body Would pass a law authorizing, Colonal Stephen Copeland of Said County to Raise by Voluntary Inlistment a force of 500 Mounted men out of the 3d Judicial Circuit In Said State to March against the said Nation of Indians or other Tribes of the savage foe, and fight Them in their own savage way, and act as Rangers and c, so long as it may appear necessary and allowed the same pay for their services as other mounted men are allowed. In the services of the United States on Similar occasions. And that the Senators and Representatives in the Congress of the United States Be instructed to Cause the said Act when passed by your Honourable body to be sanctioned by the National Legislature & c. An your Petitioners shall ever pray & c.



This is a portion of an 1814 map of the State of Tennessee from *World Atlas*, Matthew Carey, cartographer, from the David Rumsey collection.

Who were the Solomon and William Allred who signed the Petition? Harold G. Keisling tried to figure out who they were in 1992 when he submitted an article to the Overton County History Book Committee. This article was published (pages 179-180) in the book *History of Overton County, TN* which is on file in the Overton County Library. Keisling wrote:

“Allred families came to Overton County prior to 1813. The exact year is not known, but a search of the early deeds would probably establish it as about 1810. A petition was drawn up in 1813 to raise an army to forcibly subdue the Creek Indians. This petition was submitted to the State of Tennessee on October 27, 1813. Two signees were Solomon Allred and William Allred.

The 1820 census shows Francis Allred, John Allred, Jonathan Allred and Solomon Allred in Overton County. The 1830 census shows eleven Allred families living in Overton County. The head of households listed are Solomon (roll 188), Robert (roll 204), William (roll 208), Solomon (roll 208 with no children), Solomon (roll 208

with young children), John (roll 208), Samuel (roll 208), Bailey (roll 209), Theofolis (roll 210), John (roll 210), Solomon (roll 210) and Jonathan (roll 211).”

Confused? Me too. All those men named the same thing. How can we tell which one is which? Keisling had the same problem, as he wrote in his article:

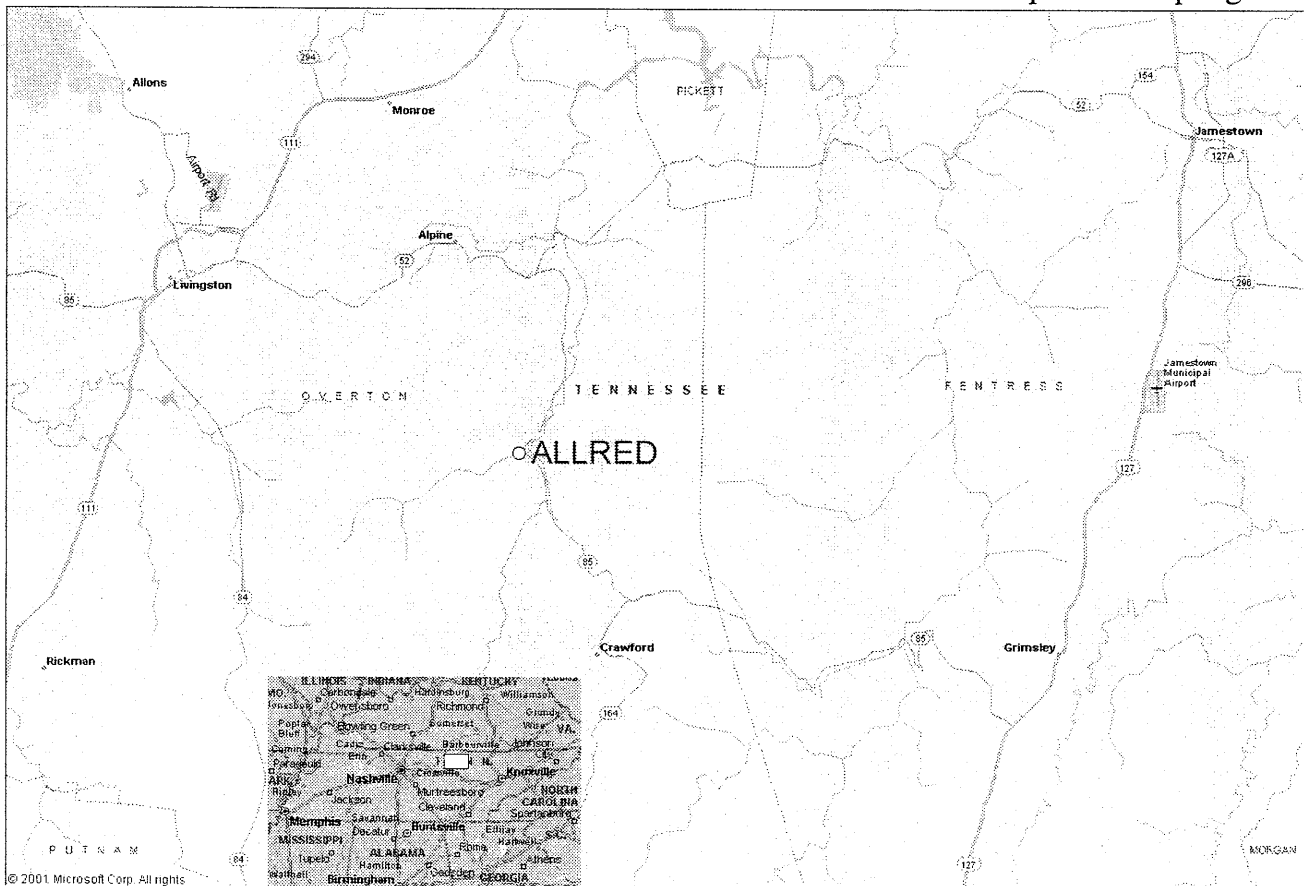
“Now it should be infinitely clear just who signed the 1813 Petition and who the Allreds are on the 1820 and the 1830 census. Solomon, the son of Solomon, and his brothers Phineas, Francis, and Theophilus with their families moved to Overton County. (Assumed by the count of Solomons on the 1830 census.)”

But, after listing the names of each of the Allred men’s spouses and children, Keisling finally admitted he couldn’t figure out which ones signed the Petition. He ended his article with the following question:

“Knowing all this, which Allreds do you think signed the 1813 Petition in Overton County?”

Do you know?

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Source for 19th and 20th Century Maps

In an article by Kendra Mayfield in *Wired News*, March 7, 2002, she reports that David Rumsey is placing his entire collection of 19th and 20th Century maps online.

More than 6,500 high-resolution digital images from one of the largest private collections in the United States are now on the Internet. He has a collection of 150,000 maps that will eventually be online.

He is also collaborating with the Library of Congress to fuse that collection of 5,000 fully cataloged maps.

Internet map resources:

www.davidrumsey.com

www.maplibraries.com

Editor's note: The map from Overton County, Tennessee, on page 14 was downloaded from the Rumsey collection.

Do You Have His Address?

Navy Captain Keith J. Allred is an AFO member. He was stationed in Europe. His newsletter is mailed to a military post office box. The last issue was returned marked, "attempted, not known." He may have been deployed. If you have a current address, please forward it to Linda Allred Cooper, PO Box 1044, Pittsboro, NC 27312 or lacooper@mindspring.com.

Cleone B. Allred Information Discovered

A box of papers including a birth certificate for Cleone B. Allred have been discovered in Utah. She was born November 17, 1919, Delta, Utah. There is also a marriage certificate for Edward J. Wardell and Cleone B. Allred, October 14, 1943, Vancouver, Washington. They were both from Portland, Oregon, at the time of the marriage. If there are any descendants or relatives who would be interested in these, we would be happy to send them. Contact us at our e-mail address: koallred@mstar2.net.

Keith O. Allred

Allred Family Roster Update

The Allred Family Roster is a 14-year project of Don Allred. The every name index has approximately 145,000 Allred and Allred descendant names. It has been online since 1997.

Don is currently without a paying job. He is keeping our important Web site online because of your contributions. To support the Allred Family Roster, please send your donation in any amount to:

Don Allred, 9532 Ruffner Ave., North Hills, CA 91343

Please make check payable to Don Allred. He cannot deposit checks made payable to Allred Family Roster. The Web site is: www.allredroster.com

Wall of Honor Display at Randolph County, NC, Reunion

Were you a Military Veteran who fought in a War? Was your parent, grandparent, brother, sister, ancestor, in the American Revolution, Civil War, Spanish American Revolution, World War I, World War II, Korean Conflict, Vietnam, Gulf War, or serving now?

To honor these brave family members, there will be a Wall of Honor display at the Allred Reunion in Randolph County, NC, September 7, 2002.

Each Veteran's display will include a 5" x 7" photo of the Veteran and a short three or four paragraph biography describing his/her military experience/career. Biographies will include the dates enlisted/discharged, which War(s) he/she served in, any medals and/or honors received, etc. Each display will be mounted on 11" x 14" red construction paper.

To participate and honor your family veteran(s), send the photo and biographical information to the East Coast Allreds at lacooper@mindspring.com or shallred@asheboro.com or harlan_sexton@hotmail.com or P.O. Box 1044, Pittsboro, NC 27312. Deadline is August 15, 2002. Be sure the photos are clearly marked with your name and address so we can return them to you.

The Box



Membership Report

Currently we have 465 AFO members, representing 40 states, Canada and Mexico. Members descend from all four of the "original" Allreds and several "mystery" lines. Over the past year, when you sent in your membership renewal payment, I asked you to fill out a form asking several questions including "What would you like to read about in the newsletter?" We have received some very interesting and helpful suggestions and ideas, some of which have been posted in the newsletters. Although we still would like to hear your ideas and suggestions, we are changing that question on all upcoming notices. Several members have asked who the serious genealogists and researchers are and how they can be reached. Do they specialize in one specific branch of the family? Or do they research the entire family? So, look for these questions on your next membership renewal form. We appreciate your time and answers - and don't forget to add your suggestions and ideas! We love hearing from you!

Linda Allred Cooper
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Editor's Report

At the 2001 Spring City Reunion, there was a discussion of a bus trip following the route James Allred took from 1787 until 1852 when he founded Spring City, Utah. The route would begin in North Carolina, his birthplace, and follow his 65-year journey westward.

There is still much research to do. To do the trip properly, it would require at least two weeks. Most people do not have that that much time to devote. I am still working on the project. It will be the spring of 2003 before my schedule will allow me to get back into this research and travel. When the trip information is complete, it will be posted on the Web site. Also, there will be a notebook available for purchase on the locations the family lived in or traveled through on this incredible journey.

In the meantime, keep your family stories and photographs coming.

Alice Allred Pottmyer
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Secretary's Report

The Board of Director's Chat List has been very busy lately. Our AFO Bylaws state that officers serve terms of two years and elections are held every other year. Since the AFO was reorganized in November 2000, our elections should take place in the Fall of 2002. However, unforeseen circumstances have caused the board to vote to postpone the election for now.

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Treasurer's Report

After the first quarter of 2002, the AFO has a profit of \$735. Printing the newsletter and the postage is still the major expense.

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Yes I want to join the AFO!

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