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Our Quaker Ancestors

by Linda Allred Cooper

As you know by now, our ancestors John Allred (abt 1638 - after 1695) and wife Ellen Pemberton Allred (1639-1684) were Quakers. They were early converts to the new Quaker faith shortly after it was organized by George Fox in England.

All of the citizens of England were required by law to be members of the Church of England in the 1600s. This was not necessarily for religious reasons but more likely for financial reasons. The Government of England and the Church of England were one in the same. All British people were required to tithe to the Church. All baptisms, marriages and deaths were required by law to be recorded by the Church - and each time the Church recorded something there was a charge, a tax. The British Crown and Church did not want a new religion to form and lure tax paying and tithing citizens away, thereby causing a loss of income for the Government, Crown and Church. Therefore, the newly converted Quakers were persecuted as well as members of other faiths. Some were simply harassed on a daily basis. Some were arrested and spent long weeks, months and/or years in jail. Some were hanged or burned at the stake.

The following is a letter Ellen Pemberton Allred's cousin, Ralph Pemberton, received from his son Phineas. Phineas was very outspoken about his new religion and was persecuted often because of it. In this letter, Phineas describes some of his experiences with some local constables. Keep in mind the Quaker doctrine of the time required all Quaker men to wear a hat at all

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Allred Family Organization Election Year

See page 8 for information on the candidates for Allred Family Organization office. Also, a ballot is in the middle of this issue. You can vote and mail the ballot back to the Elections Coordinator, Larry C. Allred. The ballot is addressed to him. However, you will have to affix first class postage before mailing.

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times and to only take it off when worshipping God. The doctrine also forbid swearing of any kind including swearing any Oath of Allegiance.

This letter gives us a wonderful look at the lifestyle of an early Quaker and the persecution he endured.

The original letter is on file in the Pemberton Collection (Vol. 1, page 36), Pennsylvania Historical Society, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Phineas Pemberton to Ralph Pemberton May 13, 1670 Manchester

Loving father

My duty to thee remembered, I thought it might be convenient to let thee understand of what followeth; the last First day the meeting was at Ed. Dawsons in Blakely, and my master was to go into Yorkshire, but he went to the meeting first from thence he was to go forth and in his journey; he went from home then to the meeting about half an hour before me and he left his coat with me and ordered me to bring it after him; & so I was going in the street with the coat to the meeting after my master; I met the constables and overseers and such like and they turn and ask me whither I was going, I did intend to go; the constables said I should go no further, nor I should not go home without I would promise them I would keep me at home all that

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day. I said I would make no such promise; then they said I should go along with them, and at after service was done I must go before the justices of peace; so they took me and kept me prisoner, and set the Leagle to look to me until they come to me again. & after they had done at the mares house the constables came in again and told me if I would give them three shillings I should not go before the justices. I said I had none to give them for that account; then said they if you will borrow one shilling of your mistress we will get you off with that if we can I answered I had none to give nor none I would borrow nor they were not likely to have any of me; to there wise one by pressure me to lay down one shilling for me; I told him I should not take him as my friend nor _____ him anything again, if he laid down any for me; and many flattering words they had to have had me to have complied to their will, that the Lord and His 'Trouth was more to me than all the shares they could cast before me. & when they saw they could not get one yield either to pay anything; was to suffer others to pay it for me, they lade me go home, for they would not trouble the justices with me then, but they would call on me either in the afternoon or the next day. & then I went on towards the meeting, before I came back from the meeting, the constable came again for me, to our house so some made answer I was not in town; so he went away and come not again this night. The next day I had business to go in Cheshire upon my Masters account. When I was gone he came again and said he had a receipt from the Justices for me. They told him I was not at home. The next morning after about half and hour after J. Barrs had been here, he came again and took me before Justice Haworth so called but he is filler to be called a man of strife. When I came before him with my hat on, he

commanded the constable to take it off. I asked why I might not keep on my hat as well as my shoes. With many other words we had about it, the constable took it off and laid it upon the table before me. I took it up and put it on a gain and he pulled it off again. And when we had done about the hat, he asked me whither I was going upon the Sabbath day & I told him my master was some miles out of town, I was to go forward in his journey the next day following and I was ordered to bring his coat after him. He asked where my master was, several times over, and I refused to tell him. He said he would make me, I said thou canst compel me to reveal my master's secrets. Were you at any church said he. I demanded what his reason was to ask. He said he must know. I said I was. He asked me what I did there? I said "to worship God" "it is enough" said he "he shall either pay his five shillings or go to the jail" "Hard sentence" said I "that I must go to jail for worshipping God" He asked who was with me I refused to tell him. He bade the constable take me away I was taken and put in a room at the constables house and both the constables went to Haworth again and remained with him near an hour and then they came to me again and told me that Justice Haworth was coming himself and that he said he would find out where I had been. & he came to Ed Greaves shop and sent for me. The constable took me to him. So he with many fair speeches such as the devil had shirred up in him, he told me if I would come to their church, he would pass by that time. I answered I should do as I had done aforetime. Then he called for the Bible and said I should swear in the King's behalf and declare who was at the consenticle. I said we were at the consenticle we were there truly and really to worship God and not under

any colors or pretence I said I should not swear at all. He bade the constable take notice I refused to swear for the King. The he took the Bible in his hand again and would have had me to taken the oath of allegiance I refused to swear at all. He bade the constable take me to the house of correction. There I was locked up for about half and hour. So then he sent the constable again He said I must come out for two or three days; as I said afore when he could do no good with his flattering speeches he began to threaten me, and said this was the second offense and if I offended again I would be banished; if I came again into the land, I should be hanged. He said he would persecute himself. I bade him go on for I told him he could do no more than he was permitted. & I blessed the good Lord of endless and everlasting goodness that gave me power and domination over and above them all and I can truly say when he had suffered all his railing bitterness all the cruelty that was in him it was no more to me than if he had smiled at me. Many more words passed amongst us but I have here set at & the chief matter for to appraise all it would have been very tedious. So I have been considering since, I believe that my master and thee might promise the sheriff that I might be forthcoming when he sent for me, now if they send me to the house I can not appear at offices so I think if those could go to the sheriff forthwith after this letter came to thy hands and get the sheriff to send for me before I go to prison house for they have made no summons for me as yet, it might do well. So if thou meet with the sheriff and get an order, I would have thee bring it thyself hither without any delay if it may be convenient. I have spoken with my mistress, and she approves of it. So with my dear love to all friends, I remain thy dutiful son. 5 month 13 day 1670 Phineas Pemberton

Randolph County Allred Reunion

September 13, 2008

Saturday, September 13, 2008 Grays Chapel United Methodist Church Across the road from Grays Chapel School where the reunion was previously held. Old Liberty Road and Hwy 22 Randolph County, North Carolina

The East Coast Allred Family Association has changed the dates for the 2008 reunion. There will only be activities on Saturday, September 13. The location has been changed to the church across the road from the Grays Chapel School.

The American Civil War 1861-1865 is the theme for the 2008 Randolph County Reunion. Did you know absolutely no one in North Carolina voted for Abraham Lincoln in the 1860 election, yet North Carolina was the last state to secede from the Union? Did you know Randolph County was the site of the final announcement that the War was over? Did you know that a large number of our ancestors left North Carolina to settle in Indiana after the War? Why? How did the War effect our peace-loving ancestors - were they able to avoid the conflict? These facts and many more will be revealed as we celebrate this important segment of our American History.

Saturday, September 13: Everything takes place at Grays Chapel United Methodist Church in northeast Randolph County. There will be a Civil War encampment and small arms exhibi-

tion presented by local reenactors. Take a trip back in time as you talk to the soldiers and learn about their lives during the War. The welcome meeting is planned for 10:30 a.m., covered dish/ pot-luck lunch at noon, and an arms demonstration after the covered dish/pot luck lunch.

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336-879-0408, ginasmith@rtmc.net.



Grays Chapel Cemetery. This cemetery adjoins the church where the 2008 Allred Randolph County Reunion will be held. There are many Allred graves in this cemetery.



Send Reunion Information

If you are planning an Allred reunion in your area, please send the information to Alice Allred Pottmyer. Her contact information is on pages 2 and 15. Reunion information is printed in the newsletter and posted on the AFO Web site.

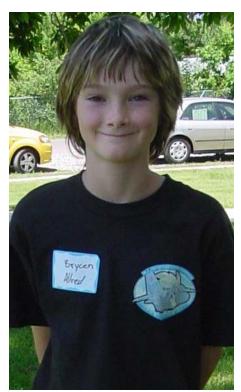
Rocky Mountain Allred Reunion Spring City, Utah



More than 150 Allred cousins attended the Rocky Mountain Allred Reunion in historic Spring City, Utah, June 28, 2008. In this photo, Larry C. Allred discusses the newly published book on Isaac Allred, the son of James and Elizabeth Allred.

Attendees enjoyed historic reenactors, information on Eccles Parish England by LouAnn Allred and Bob Blakely, displays, and the crossing of the Atlantic Ocean by our Pemberton Cousins in 1682.

Photos by Linda Allred Cooper



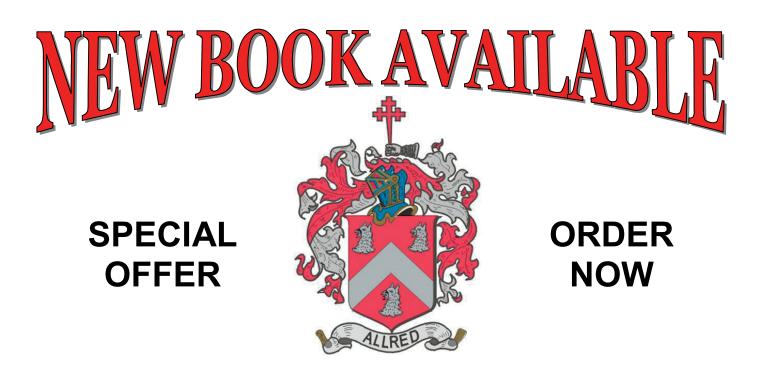
Brycen Allred, Farmington, Utah, was part of the reenactment of the ship, *Submission*, crossing the Atlantic Ocean in 1682. He played the part of 10-year-old Abraham Blackshaw who died at sea the night of the bad storm. Brycen survived the reenactment created by Linda Allred Cooper. *Brycen*, *Gregory Scott, Larry Cooke, Owen Arthur, Byron Harvey Jr., Byron Harvey, William Moore, Isaac, William, Thomas.*



Michael Peterson, Moroni, Utah, a reenactor for the Mormon Battalion, Nauvoo Legion, American Revolution and the Civil War, explains life along the trail during the march of the Iowa Volunteers during the Mexican War. The group is referred to as the Mormon Battalion.



The newly renovated Allred Hotel, now known as the Spring City Historic Inn, was open in time for the Allred Reunion. Among the first guests were Sophia Soto and her parents from Cary, North Carolina. Sophia, Laura, Alice, B.W., Birt, Wilson Monroe, William Hackley, James, William, Thomas.



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First Book Published by the Rocky Mountain Allreds

Isaac Allred, Son of James and Elizabeth Warren Allred, has been published by the Rocky Mountain Allreds. The book arrived from the publisher in time for the June 28 Reunion in Spring City, Utah.

The 837 page book by Dawnell Griffin, contains a diary of Isaac Allred, histories, photographs and family group sheets.

See the article below for the books that are underway by the RMA and should be published within the next two years.

These books are the beginning of the ambitious project being undertaken by the RMA. Books are planned on the families of other children of William and Elizabeth Thrasher Allred: Isaac, William, Sarah Allred Ivie and Mary Allred Sanders and their descendants that went to the Rocky Mountain West in the late 1840s and 1850s. They founded many small towns in the West and paved the way for early development of the Utah Territory.



Pat Allred Bowser (right), donated a copy of the new Isaac Allred book to the Spring City Daughters of Utah Pioneers Museum during the recent Allred Reunion in Spring City. Accepting the book on behalf of the museum is DUP Captain LuDean S. White. The DUP Museum opens during the Allred Spring City Reunion allowing attendees to research at this facility.

Future Rocky Mountain Allred Books

In addition to the just published Isaac Allred book, the Rocky Mountain Allreds are working on four other books on sons and daughters of James and Elizabeth Warren Allred:

- William Hackley Allred,
- Reuben Warren Allred,
- · Andrew Jackson Allred, and
- Hannah Caroline, Sally, Nancy Chummy and Eliza Maria Allred and their families.

These books will contain histories, photographs, diaries when available, maps, and family group sheets. If you would like to be a committee member on any of these four books, please contact Larry Allred. Also, if you would like to provide histories, photographs or genealogy information, please send to:

Larry C. Allred 447 North 200 East Farmington, UT 84025 He may also be contacted at larrycallred@msn.com or 801-558-6753 or 801-451-2742.

More information on these four books will be announced in future issues of the newsletter and on the AFO Web site.

AFO Candidates for Office

Nominees for office in the Allred Family Organization. The ballot is inserted in the center of this newsletter. Please return to Larry Allred by October 15, 2008.

Melvin Alred

Candidate for President

It would be an honor to be the next AFO president. My interest in the Allred Family history goes back to my childhood from listening to stories told by my Allred ancestors. They told of the brothers living in North Carolina and migrating into Georgia and Alabama. It wasn't too many years later that I researched and documented those oral stories.

My goal as the AFO president would be to support the mission and continue the growth and expansion of the organization.

My education includes: U. S. Air Force-Law Enforcement, Carroll Lynn College-Business, Floyd College- Real Estate, and North Georgia School of Auctioneers - Auctioneer

My work experience includes four years of law enforcement in the military; 14 years with Standard Oil Company which included working in management and internal auditing. For the past 36 years, I have owned and operated my own businesses, which include: Alred Oil Company, Alred Real Estate Company, and Auctions United, Inc. Melvin Alred alredco@aol.com

Linda Allred Cooper

Candidate for Vice President

I hope you will re-elect me as your AFO Vice President. The Executive Vice President and Vice President positions have been combined allowing me to concentrate on the AFO Web site (www.allredfamily.com). I now have more time to update and maintain the Web site and add new information to it in a much quicker manner. I strongly feel the AFO Web site should be the place for all AFO members to quickly and easily access Allred genealogy information. Currently we have over 3,000 web files and/or pages on the Web site and it is growing - so re-elect me so I can continue this valuable service. I studied journalism at the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill. More recently I worked as an office manager in a law firm. Linda Allred Cooper lacooper@mindspring.com

Alice Allred Pottmyer

Candidate for Secretary

My father instilled a love of Allred family history in me as a young girl. I have traveled extensively to Allred locations on the East Coast as well as the Western states. I would like to work more closely with the AFO Board of Directors to continue to enhance this organization for the betterment of all our family. My degree field is journalism. I have worked for three different Washington, DC, based trade and professional organization in the areas of publications and more recently conference management. Alice Allred Pottmyer pottmyera@aol.com

Joyce Allred

Candidate for Treasurer

I strongly support the AFO Mission and volunteer to serve again as treasurer. My experience includes:

A. 30 years administering youth sports organizations (memberships, finances),B. 29 years as financial officer for a private school (income, payroll, taxes),C. Finance consultant for a Title and Escrow

company, and D. Appointed AFO Treasurer in 2000 and established financial management system (budget, income, investments). A financial report is published each year in the AFO Newsletter. Joyce Allred jagentree@aol.com

Our Pennsylvania Kin

by Lawrence Kent, Ph.D.

My Horner ancestors provide clues to my Allred ancestors. Certain facts might well expand our knowledge of the peripatetic Allreds. Sir James Horner sailed from London to Virginia in 1635 and his grandson, George Horner, Senior, was born on Kent Island in the Chesapeake Bay. The island was founded by William Claiborne of Jamestown in 1631, who recognized it as part of a colony of Virginia. However, Lord Calvert, 2nd Baron Baltimore considered it part of Maryland. In 1776 Virginia's claim to Kent Island ceased.

Thus records in both Maryland and Virginia might contain references to a man born on Kent Island, George Horner, Sr. (1725-1811). North Carolina, also claims this man as he died there in Orange County. His first wife is not known to this writer, but his second wife, has been referred to as Elizabeth (Holloway or Fussell. He fathered 14 children, the first four in (now) York County, Pennsylvania, so George had tarried there from about 1746 through about 1750. These four are William Horner Sr. (1746-1824), who married Elizabeth Allred, daughter of John Allred), Ann, Susanna, and Lydia. William and Solomon Allred both lived in what was originally Chester County, Pennsylvania, Chester County is an original county in Pennsylvania, formed in 1682. Lancaster County was cutoff in 1729 and York County was cutoff from Lancaster County in 1749.

Given his Horner ancestry in England, George Horner Sr. seems to have been "land rich." After his Pennsylvania sojourn, George owned at least two plantations in Virginia (Re: 1752 two land surveys in Frederick County, Virginia, for George Horner by George Washington.) His ten other children were born in Orange County, North Carolina from 1761 through circa 1804. These are Thomas N., George Jr., James, Robert, Sibellia, Elizabeth, Lucy, Delilah, George Wyatt, and Samuel Horner. William Horner Sr. (1746-1824) married Elizabeth Allred (1747-1823) on 17 August 1767. The marriage is believed to have been in Orange County (now part of Randolph County, North Carolina). Though this writer has no proof of this place-of-marriage.

John Allred Sr (ca. 1720-1792) gained his North Carolina land patent in 1755. His daughter, Elizabeth Allred Horner (1747-1823), was born eight years previous so it is possible that she was not only born in Pennsylvania but had also first met her future husband, William Horner, Sr., in Pennsylvania, and not in North Carolina.

William Horner, Sr. provided butchered beef to General Washington at Valley Forge, in the 1777/ 78 winter and also cash and various sundries to the North Carolina militias. (DAR and SAR records.) After the American Revolution, William and Elizabeth went to what became "the Lost State of Franklin" (East Tennessee). They are buried in the Bent Creek Cemetery near Whitenburg, Hamblen County, Tennessee. (DAR grave marker.)

Did our Allred forbearers reside in Pennsylvania longer than some might have thought? As King Mongkut of Siam was rumored to have said..." 'Tis a puzzlement."

Allred lineage for Lawrence Kent, Ph.D. John Allred 1637-? & Ellen Pemberton Solomon Allred Sr. 1680-? & ? John Allred c.1720-1792 & Lillie Ann Elizabeth Allred Horner 1747-1823 & William Horner Sr. Miriam Allred Horner Witt 1768-1845 & The Rev'd. Caleb Witt Enoch Merritt Witt 1787-1844 & "Peggy" Margaret Pangle Merrille Danvil Witt 1816-1869 & Catharine Clevenger Alzina Alice Witt Rainier Powell 1843-1921 & Co. Cmdr. William George Rainier, USA Mary Lillian Evelyn Rainier Thomas 1870-1945 & "Harry' Henry Thomas Roma Flae Thomas Hollopeter 1910-1992 & Charles Ernest Hollopeter Dr. Lawrence Kent 1935

Large Collection of English Allred Materials Purchased

by Linda Allred Cooper

As you know, the Allred Family Organization (AFO) has been collecting donations for the past few years to be used for Allred genealogy research. This past Spring the AFO considered sending some researchers to England for a week long research trip. However, the economy and severely decreased US Dollar value would have made the trip extremely expensive - estimated around \$14,000.00 and probably would have cost even more.

Without the guarantee that new research information would have been found during this trip, the AFO and the researchers decided to cancel the trip for the time being.

In late June, the AFO funded a research trip for Linda Allred Cooper to travel to Salt Lake City to spend time with Dawnell Griffin, a professional genealogist. The purpose of this trip was to give Linda and Dawnell time to go over each other's English research materials and compare notes. During this meeting, Dawnell expressed interest in selling her personal and private collection of British Allred genealogy materials to the AFO for \$5000.00. Dawnell has spent over 25 years researching the Allreds and gathering materials/documents on the family in England. The result was an impressive collection of family group sheets, copies of original documents, copies of published records and transcriptions all neatly organized and easy to understand.

To duplicate this collection would take AFO researchers many many years and many many dollars - much more than the price Dawnell requested. Simply put, there is no way the AFO could have ever duplicated this collection for that price. After careful consideration, the AFO agreed to purchase this collection. Currently the AFO Research Chair and Board are in the process of working out a way to distribute the information in the collection and/or make it available to AFO members via the newsletter, research reports, placing copies in various libraries and/or Family History Centers, etc., with Dawnell receiving credit for all of the research.

In the meantime, below is a brief description of the materials in the collection:

 A large collection of Probate records for Lancashire County, England, for Allreds, Pembertons and some collateral lines.
 The Harlian Society complete description of background information on the Pemberton family going back to the 1100s.
 Pemberton Pedigrees and other printed materials on the Pemberton/Allred connections.
 Original material by Dr. Bloxham (BYU) from the Lancashire County Record Office which he extracted for Dawnell in 1991.

5. Various family group sheets on Allreds and collaterals from Lancashire County that includes wills, letters of administration, probate, etc.

6. A copy of the Allred Research Report from Universal Genealogical Society which the AFO paid for in 1995.

7. A copy of Eccles Presbyterian records.

8. Copies of printed materials from Pennsylvania on the Allred, Pemberton, Smith and some collateral lines collected over the years.

9. A large collection of Allred wills from England.

10. All copies of original documents have been transcribed.

11. Information from Boyd's Citizens of London for Allreds and Pembertons

12. Genealogical information on Pemberton, Taylor and Drinkwater families for the next generation back (from what she has already collected)

Also, included is a three-ring-binder containing information on John, son of John. This John was married to Lillie Ann (nee Julian) and has been one of our mystery lines - now solved. There is now new material on this branch of the family!

Look for more information about this collection in future AFO newsletters.

Allred Roster Update

I wanted to thank you all for your kind and generous donations. The allredroster.com site was temporarily down, but your donations have paid for the software license required. We are up and 100% functional.

We would like to take this time to thank everybody who has supported the site.

If you have not yet donated, we still incur monthly hosting fees, and all donations are appreciated as this helps the site remain open and free for all who wish to visit.

The message board is also up. It's just our way of saying thanks for supporting us all these years. The message board can be a very useful tool to help us connect with each other.

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Allred Obituaries

Annie Allred

Annie Grace Dunn Allred, 93, of Asheboro, North Carolina, died May 18, 2008. Funeral services were held Wednesday, May 21, 2008, at the Pugh Funeral Home Chapel in Asheboro, with the Rev. Barry L. Queen officiating. Mrs. Allred was born June 22, 1914, in Star, North Carolina, the daughter of Sam and Ida Lamonds Dunn. She was a member of Central United Methodist Church and retired from the Bossong Hosiery Mill. In addition to her parents, Annie was preceded in death by her husband, John Dennis Allred. She is survived by her son, Charles Samuel "Sam" Allred and his wife, Chris, of High Point; grandson, Shawn J. Allred and his wife, Sarah, also of High Point.

Helen Allred Steppe

Helen Allred Steppe, 81, of Snow Camp, North Carolina, died June 6, 2008 in Snow Camp. Mrs. Steppe was born February 8, 1927, the daughter of the late George Henry (George Scotton, *Emsley, Jesse*) and Lily Joy (Fox) Allred. Mrs. Steppe was a native of Chatham County. She spent many years in New York City in advertising. She was preceded in death by her parents, Joy Fox and George Henry Allred, and a brother, James L. Allred. She was married to the late Clarence Steppe of Raleigh. Helen was a graduate of Siler City High School, class of 1944 and Mars Hill College. She had been a resident of Care View Rest Home, Snow Camp for a number of years due to declining health. She is survived by one daughter: Rebecca S. Poppleton and husband, Dan, Clarksville, Tennessee, two sons: James Steppe and wife, Evelyn, Mason, Ohio, David Steppe of San Antonio, Texas, one sister: Rebecca Allred Sexton and husband, Harlan, Asheboro, North Carolina; and two grandchildren. Graveside services were held Friday, June 13, 2008, at the Fox Family Cemetery at Rocky River Baptist Church, Siler City with Rev. Greg W. Burriss officiating.

Goulda S. Pugh

Goulda Strider Pugh, 73, Franklinville, North Carolina, died Saturday, June 7, 2008, at Wesley Long Community Hospital, Greensboro. She was born October 20, 1934, the daughter of Clayton and Delsie (Allred) Strider. Mrs. Pugh was a native of Danville, Va., and a homemaker. She was an active member of Grays Chapel United Methodist Church, where she sang in the choir. She is survived by her husband, Worth B. Pugh; son and his wife, Denny and Barbara Pugh of Greensboro; daughter and her husband, Diana and Kenneth Proffit of Boone. The funeral services were, June 10 at Grays Chapel United Methodist Church. The Rev. Doug Miller and the Rev. Tim Strider officiated. Burial followed in the church cemetery.

Lucille C. Allred Gurka

Lucille Caveness Cox Allred Gurka, 85, of Fearrington Village in Pittsboro, died June 21, 2008. She was the daughter of the late Roy Cox and Edna Caveness Cox of Asheboro, North Carolina. Roy Cox was the founder and publisher of The Courier-Tribune newspaper in Asheboro. Lucille was a graduate of Greensboro College and also studied at Northwestern University and at UNC-Chapel Hill. She worked as a reporter at the Courier-Tribune, as an editor with Funk & Wagnalls in Arlington, Virginia, and as a librarian at the Asheboro Public Library. She was an avid reader, a literate woman who could do the New York Times crossword puzzle every day of the week. She was a kind and thoughtful person who loved animals. She is preceded in death by a daughter, Jeanne Caveness Allred; husband, Robert Dickens Allred (William Burt, Franklin Hurd, John Park Dr., William Burt, Jonathan, Solomon); granddaughter, Shannon Michelle Smith; brother, Roy Cox Jr.; sister, Barbara Buchanan; and late husband, John Emile Gurka. Survivors include daughter, Susan Whetstone and husband, Dave Whetstone, of Salt Lake City Utah; son, Robert Allred Jr. of Chapel Hill; daughter, Nancy Allred of Cary; and son,

Russell Allred and wife, Molly Graham Allred, of Clayton. She leaves three grandchildren. Pugh Funeral Home, Asheboro, assisted the family.

Margaret Lois Morgan Allred

Margaret Lois Morgan Allred, 81, died July 8, 2008, in Wellington, Texas. She was born, June 30, 1927, to Mary and Benjamin Morgan in Niagara, North Carolina. She met Louis Allred, a paratrooper stationed at Fort Bragg. They were married in Spartanburg, South Carolina, January 16, 1945. He preceded her in death in 2002. Survivors include two sons, Don (Peggy) Allred and Al (Libby) Allred and a daughter, Donna Allred (Bernie) Ehrler, eight grandchildren a greatgrandson and a sister and three brothers. Funeral services were held July 11 at the First Baptist Church in Wellington with burial at the Memorial Gardens Cemetery.

Crystal Allred Hackett

Crystal Allred Hackett, 91, died July 23, 2008, in Duchesne, Utah. She was born February 16, 1917, in Vernal, Utah, to Ernest W. and Irene Birch Allred. She married Ray L. Hackett in 1941. They were later divorced. She was Postmaster in Hanna for 30 years. Survivors are her children, Ron (Linda) Hackett, Barbara (Tom) Davis, Kent (Kathy) Hackett. Lorraine (Rock) Harrison and Tamera (Doug) Angus, 21 grandchildren and 31 great grandchildren, sister Velma Abplanalp, and sisters-in-law, Marlene Allred and Joy Allred Clark. She was preceded in death by her parents, sister, Lavar Pace; brothers, Lorin Allred and Dale Allred. Funeral services were held July 28, in Tabiona, Utah. Interment was in the Tabiona Cemetery.

Memorial Dedicated to Those Lost in Crandall Canyon Mine Disaster

Six men, including Kerry Allred, were killed August 6, 2007, at the Crandall Canyon Mine disaster near Huntington, Utah. He was the son of Vonal Knight and Agnes Irene Oviatt Allred.

On August 16, 2007, during a rescue attempt, three rescuers were killed, including Dale Ray Black, cousin of Kerry Allred and son of Roscoe and Earlene Allred Black. On that day, 10 rescuers were also injured.

See the report in Issue No. 73, Winter 2007.

A year later, a memorial was dedicated to the men and those who perished in the rescue attempt.

The memorial was dedicated in a private ceremony on August 6, 2008, for the families of the miners.

Six markers, sit a few hundred feet from the now-sealed entrance of the mine. All markers have engravings meant to capture the men's lives. Kerry Allred is shown playing the guitar. Facing the markers are three polished stone benches, honoring the men who gave their lives trying to find their friends in the mine.

Dale "Bird" Black is beneath an eagle with the inscription: "Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends."

Huntington Mayor Hillary Gordon said she believes the new memorial is important for those whose loved ones remain entombed in the mine. It gives them a place for reflection, and hopefully, healing, which has been difficult given a year of continuous investigation and publicity.

The mine disaster has resulted in lawsuits from the victims' families. The U.S. attorney is also considering the possibility of criminal charges against company officials.

In July, a report from the MSHA stated that the Crandall Canyon mine was "primed for a massive pillar collapse," and was "destined to fail."

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Old English Volunteers Needed

The Allred Family Organization purchased the first two volumes of the Pemberton Collection 1641 to the early 1700s. The volumes are on microfilm and consist of correspondence between members of the Pemberton family, their business associates and other family members. This is the collection where the 1695 letter from John Allred, Manchester, England, to Phineas Pemberton, Bucks County, Pennsylvania, was discovered.

John Allred was married to Ellen Pemberton. These letters and other documents are in Old English. Also because of age they are difficult to read.

To make reading easier, the two volumes have been digitized and placed in .jpeg format. The first volume, 1641 to 1683, is available on CD for anyone with a background in Old English that is interested in transcribing.

"We know there are more Allred clues in these two volumes," said Linda Allred Cooper, AFO vice president. Anyone interested in transcribing, please contact Linda at lacooper@mindspring.com or 919/548-7099.

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