PLAIN BROWN RAPPER

News of the Brown Family

May, 1998



This is a picture of our Grandfather, Grandmother, Dad and four of his siblings. It was taken in approximately 1899. Special attention needs to be given to the little boy in the white suit, standing between George and Anna. His name is Frank. If you will notice his collar on the right side, you will see that his mother has a tight grip on his shoulder. The pained expression on his face says it all. He must have had a difficult time standing still and Anna was going to make sure he didn't ruin the picture. Standing in the back row is: Rollar J Brown (1887-1968); and our father, Tandy Parks Brown (1889-1961); sitting is our Grandfather George Malcoum Brown (1855 - 1930), and grandmother Anna Walker Brooks (1868-1914). Beside Anna is Lee Anna Brown Sellers (1892-1997); to George's right is George Hines Brown (1894-1997) and in the center is Frank Emmet Brown (1896-1914). Not pictured, because they weren't born at this time is Bessie Cora Brown Davis (1901-1950) and Lucille Brown Jackman (1903-1987). Their home was Gloster, Georgia, a town that is almost a ghost town. There is still a run down cemetery with the headstones of the family members that lived and died there. Just thought you might like to see where we get all of our "good looks" and wonderful personalities.

WHAT'S NEW?

MAGIC MARKERS

ANNIVERSARIES

The 50th Wedding Anniversary for Bob and Nancy Treadway was a great party and lots of fun. They hosted a group of family members and Dick

Tipton (Bob's best man) at a wonderful fun filled evening at Little America. Matt and Mary Ann along with Mary's husband Rick, and Mary's children, Tallon and Micah with the help of Leah Shriver put on a memorable evening of family jokes

Attendees were: Nancy and Bob (of course), Matt Treadway, Mary Ann and Rick Mauderer, Leah and Willis, June and son Kerry, Charles and LaVena, Donna and dtr. Stephanie, Sally and Ben, Pat, Mike and Nanette, Bob and Dolfe, and Dick Tipton.

BIRTHDAYS

Norman French May 1
Patricia Brown White May 31
Norman will be 91 years young and Pat will be (39 I think)



GRADUATIONS

Charles and LaVena have two grandsons graduating from High School this May, Ken's son Bryson and Cindy's Brandon. Charles said he will be traveling to those graduations.



Bob and I have one grandson graduating from Regis

University in Denver, he is David Nash, son of Barbara and Walt.

Vivian has a granddaughter, Valerie Noel Beardslee, daughter of Stuart and Emily Beardslee, graduating from high school in Escatawpa, Mississippi. She plans to go on to college and study foreign language and government.

.Mother was a big believer in education, for both her sons and daughters. She would be proud of the

accomplishments of these young people and all of the grandchildren and great-grandchildren pursuing their educations.

MOTHER'S DAY

Don't forget, Mother's Day is May 10th. Give her a big hug and tell her you love her. She sure loves you!!!!!



INFORMATION

Bill Brown would like to hear from the family. His address is 700 21st Avenue Court, Greeley, Colorado 80631.

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Please send any e-mail addresses you might want the family to have and if you think any of your children might like to receive this newsletter, send along their names to me. At this point, I am only sending the news letter to the brothers, sisters and some nieces and nephews who have requested being put on the list. I have an 800 number that is easy to call. 1-800-358-4517. The operator will ask for the p.i.n. which is 436. If you are in an area that does not have touch tone telephone service, then just wait on the line for a live operator (or dial zero) and give her the p.i.n. She will put you right through. Feel free to use it, is generally costs less than the postage stamp.

FAMILY HISTORY

Last month I told you I would add a little bit of information about Robert Bolt Nash and his military service. We do not know for sure what unit he was in during the war. The Georgia Archives does not have him listed at all. We do, however, have a letter from him which he wrote to Frances from Rome Georgia. At that time the Georgia 10th and 36th were assigned to Rome. Also, Tandy's outfit, the 10th Cavalry was there. At this point in the war, it was quite common for men to just leave home and get into the war and not bother signing up. The South was nearly out of money, they had lost the Gettysburg Battle and it was becoming an "every man for himself" situation. Alice James, the Historian at the Georgia Archives told me that he probably just went to fight, either because he felt he needed to or to cover for another person. His letter written to Frances is dated in October of 1863 and the letter I am enclosing now was dated November of 1863.

Nov 3d 1863 Camp Mobley near Rome Ga Mr. R. B. Nash Dear Brother

according to promise I drop you a few lines to inform you that we are here yet and no prospect of our leaving here as I can see we have drawn cartrage boxes and camp boxes and belts and we have agreed to clean off this camp ground in prefference to going farther from water and cleaning off a new place, we have continual calls for details to perform different duties and their is an order now from head quarters for the pressing of negroes to fortify Rome so I expect that we will remain here. I want you to come here by the 10th of this month if you can and take my place in ranks till I can go home I have received intelligence from home that the rogues have been disterbing my family by braking in and steeling from them and I am verry anxious to go and make some arrangements for the safety of our provisions. I am well and harty Brother Jenkins is as well as usual the company is Generally well the Excitement about Disbanding is purty much subcided their is nothing strange amongst us I will now close by saying that I hope that you will not fail to come I am Dear brother yours in the bonds of tribulation

C C Callaway to R B Nash

Since no mention is made regarding Roberts service, we haven't any real proof about how or why he became

involved in the Army. There is a letter from Thomas W. Nash scolding him for joining. He was very worried about how he could survive. Evidently he survived however and lived for many more years after the war was over.

NO MORE NEWS

The Plain Brown Rapper is short this month. As I write this, I am planning to take Bob to Denver for more heart surgery. We will check in Sunday afternoon and his surgery will be done on Monday morning (April 27) at 9:00 a.m. This time they will do a by-pass on that front artery (of course I don't know its name) that keeps closing up every six months. Hopefully, this will end all the problems. He is fortunate, his body doesn't produce cholesterol or plaque, but the muscle cells multiply and close off that artery.

We are asking for your prayers for his speedy recovery.

Happy Mother's Day to the moms and Congratulations to the Grads and blessings on everyone.

Lots of Love, Dolfe and Bob

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take to read this.

Bhis doing fine and
we hope to be home by the
1st or Ind of May. -