

# Peters-Clements-Gazaway Family Reunion



- Paula Deen's Family Kitchen
- Paula Deen Store
- Flying Horse Carousel The Island Miner's Gems
- Wave Rider
- Funny Cars Ride
- Happy Swing Yee Haw Snack Shack
- Timberwood Grill
- The Wheel Ticket Center
- Arcade City The Island Ropes Course
- Shooting Gallery The Great Smoky Mountain Wheel
- Twist 'N Shout Ride ThunderDome Bungee
- The Island Express Lil' Ribbits Ride 18.
- Bumper Cars Mirror Maze
- The Island Trading Post
- Dude's Daiquiri Bar

- Mellow Mushroom Pizza Bakers
- Auntie Anne's Perfect Pretzel

- Puzzled
- Big Rock Candy Kitchen Old Time Photo

- Timber Valley Rustic Furniture Buckboard Too Nostalgic Store
- Emery's 5 & 10 General Store
- Parrot Mountain

- Island Yogurt Patriot Peddler Made In USA
- Smoky Mountain Sunshades The Fudgery Fudge & Fun Poynor's Pommes Frites
- The Monogram Boutique Bodacious Bags
- Cosmic Pen Caricatures

- Margaritaville St. Somewhere Spa Margaritaville Compass Rose Room
- Southern Charm Boutique
- Christmas and More Gifts

- The Sneaky Squirrel
- Southern Sportzstore Nourish Natural Bath Products
- Earthbound Trading Co.
- Margaritaville Coffee Shop
- Margaritaville Island Hotel
- Latitudes Bar
- Sweet!
- 7D Dark Ride Adventure
- Heads Up Sports
- The Escape Game The Beef Jerky Outlet Master's Editions Island Gallery
- 57
- Bill's Lemonade
- Cinnabon & Auntie Anne's Kiosk Happy Tails Pet Kiosk
- 61.
- Blossom Healing Garden For the Health of It The Toychest Company 62 63.
- Natural Comfort Footwear
- Island Tiki General Store
- Pepper Palace

- Stand Apart
- Kryptonite Character Store
- Doc's Magic Shop Smokies Cigar & Vapor Shop
- **Xcell Accessories**
- Village Idiot Gifts GOTCHA! Children
- 73.
- Apparel & Accessories
- Tervis
- Dick's Last Resort **Bootleggers Winery**
- Ole Smoky Distillery Build-A-Bear Workshop KAPOP! Gourmet Popcorn
- Island Creamery
- Farmhouse 9110
- Paula Deen's The Bag Lady Jimmy Buffett's Margaritaville
- Restaurant & Store
- Wyndham Vacation Club
- Alcatraz East Crime Museum NEW! Margaritaville Island Inn

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45<sup>th</sup> Annual Family Reunion July 19 – 22, 2018 Pigeon Forge, Tennessee

# Greetings!!!

It is with great pleasure that we greet you!

We can't tell you how awesome it is to see each of you again!

We have had a wonderful time planning for your arrival and getting everything together to ensure that this year's reunion will be an absolutely, "HEE HAW" good time!

**Tennessee Committee** 

Curtis Flowers, Sr.
Yolanda Flowers
Stephanie Johnson
Deborah Dick
Wilda Gunn
Valerie Smith

## Family Prayer

 $oldsymbol{D}$ ear Father God,

Thank you so much for bringing us all here together this weekend.

Thank you for the wonderful blessing of family.

Thank you for the similarities we have and the differences we enjoy.

Thank you for the wisdom of age and the energy of youth.

Thank you for the way you watch over us as individuals and the way you send your love into us as a unit.

Come bless our time together and when it's over, lead and guide us safely to our destinations.

In Jesus name I pray.

Amen.

#### **Family Reunion**

It's getting to be that time of year A time that I hold so very dear. Family comes from far and near To celebrate with family cheer. There'll be catching up and having fun From sun up til the breaking of dawn. We welcome you to our family jubilee, Because we're all one big family. Our family comes from many places And we see each other in all our faces. There'll be all of us, young and old; Each one of us making our family whole. Aunts, uncles, cousins, nephews and nieces, In our family tree, we're all separate pieces. And yet, it's remarkable to see How we all make one big family. It's a family reunion y'all So come one and come all To mingle and have a ball. Doing it the way only family can,

Ever since family began.

Deborah Dick

# **Family**

Nothing in life is fun for the whole family. There are no massage parlors with ice cream and free jewelry.

Jerry Seinfeld

I looked up my family tree and found out I was the sap.

Rodney Dangerfield

Families are like fudge...mostly sweet with a few nuts. --Author Unknown ~Erma Bombeck~

Family is just accident.... They don't mean to get on your nerves. They don't even mean to be your family, they just are.

Marsha Norman

Home, nowadays, is a place where part of the family waits till the rest of the family brings the car back.

Earl Wilson

Family is a blessing. – Just keep saying that when you are irritated by something a family member says.

Marcelina Hardy

The other night I ate at a real nice family restaurant. Every table had an argument going.

George Carlin



## Past Family Reunions!

For those who may not be familiar with our Annual family gatherings, we would like to include a rundown of past reunions. One thing to love about our clan is that "We love getting to together!" And, in doing so, has provided some awesome opportunities for travel and education for the younger generation. (By the way, if anyone has more detail on some of these past reunions that you would like to share on the website, please feel free to email Charlotte to have it added to what's there.)

- 1973 Our first reunion-- Atlanta, Georgia
- **1974** Fun in the "Windy City!" We had a tremendous turn –out, the "old town will never be the same." One club owner anxiously extended an invitation for us to return the next night.
- **1975** The "Big Fight" in Birmingham. Some guy was foolish enough to attack a family member when he was surrounded by several of the female clan. "WE TOOK CARE OF HIM."
- **1976** -- Fun in the "Motor City" Detroit, Michigan. We had laughs galore in Alice's beautiful backyard and enjoyed going across the border to Canada.
- 1977 We roamed the "French Quarters" in New Orleans.
- **1978** The beautiful "Wisconsin Dells" ... It was a great adventure.
- 1979 "Hilton Head" in South Carolina. The midnight swim was out of sight.
- **1980** The Gilmers moved to Gardenia, California. We followed them! The "The Tijuana Experience" was out of sight.
- **1981** The "Wagon Wheel Resort" in Rockford, Illinois was the setting for the first reunion with Joey, Father Clements newly adopted son. Interesting News Coverage.
- **1982** We had a wonderful time visiting "Washington, DC," our Nation's Capital. The tours were great. Robyn and "Moon" announced their wedding.
- **1983** The "Windy City" was more exciting than the first time, especially joining the festivities of Ricky and Darienne's wedding.
- 1984 Historic "Philadelphia" was educational and memorable, but we couldn't resist going to Atlantic City for a day of "playing the slots."

- **1985 Can't beat that" Southern Hospitality"** in Birmingham. Hurricane Alan stopped us from going to Gulf Shores, so we camped out at James Edna Wells' home for the weekend...ALL OF US!!
- **1986** The "Toronto, Canada" train ride was great fun and scenic. The fire at the Sheraton Banquet Dinner was "alarming"; however, we continued on in the Peters/Clements/Gazaway family tradition.
- 1987 Enjoyed "Hilton Head" so much in 1979, we returned... had twice as much fun. Dinner on the beach at sundown was "the bomb!"
- **1988** "Mini Family Reunion" in Lagos Nigeria." What an experience, seeing the Motherland and going to the American Embassy for the annual July 4<sup>th</sup> Celebration attended by many dignitaries and Heads of State.
- 1989 "Atlanta" revisited! Dinner at the historic "Paschal's" was great!
- **1990** Not a dull moment in "Houston" ... Johnson Space Center, Galveston Island, the Alamo, Sea World, the July 4<sup>th</sup> Fireworks Celebration, and the Barbeque at Tim and Curly's...Whew!
- **1991** Just can't get enough of the sights, sounds and cultural attractions of ... none other than ... THE WINDY CITY.
- **1992** The family returned to "Opelika, Alabama", the roots of the Peters Family and learned a lot of our ancestry in Chambers County.
- **1993** "Sacramento, California" ... San Francisco/the Wine Country/Historic Folsom/The Railroad Museum/the Cultural Center and kicking back with the Hart's barbequing by the pool and the Jacuzzi.
- **1994** We returned to "Washington, D.C." We didn't have to wait in the long line to tour the White House. "The Clements Connection", The Potomac Luncheon Cruise/Adventure World/The banquet at the Naval Yard Officers Club/cookout Pool Party at Robyn and Moon's home. What a weekend!
- **1995** "Chicago, Chicago … It's my kind of town!" The Talent Show at the banquet was especially wonderful because so many of young family members performed.
- 1996 More fun in the "Windy City."
- 1997 Our reunion was combined with the celebration of Friday's Wedding.
- **1998** Fort Lauderdale was our destination for this year. Although only eight of us were there, we couldn't have had more fun. Sometimes great things happen in small groups.
- 1999 "Maryland" ... Anita and Robyn know how to host a family reunion. The seafood feast was great!

- The family turned it out again on the dance floor during the "Starship Dinner Cruise' in Biloxi, Mississippi. Alice, Curly, Pat, Rosalyn and Ynez volunteered Leslyn for the next reunion over 2 or was it 3 bottles of Champagne during the cruise?
- **2001** Royal treatment for the family at the Hart's Empty Nest Celebration in Ohio. It was a top drawer event as we enjoyed their luxurious home with a private movie theatre downstairs.
- Family members and friends received the "Top Drawer" treatment at the Clark's lovely home in West Hartford, Connecticut. Leslyn, Marcus and Sam were perfect hosts as we enjoyed an Old Fashioned Bar-B-Que Cookout, featuring an Authentic Pig Roast in their back yard.
- Hurricane Alan stopped us in 1985, but we're a determined family! It may have taken 18 years but we finally made it to the Gulf Shores!
- **2004** We returned to Detroit with Alice and Robert as hosts celebrating their new home. We toured the Motown Museum and were treated to a beautiful performance by her church's youth group.
- Back to Chicago. We just can't get enough of the city's hospitality.
- Roswell, Georgia was the place to be as we enjoyed celebrating Tim Hart's retirement from UPS and the building of their retirement home which is affectionately known as the "Pinebox Estate" ... since Curly does not plan on moving again until she is in a **PINEBOX.**
- **2007** The young adults got together and planned a spectacular reunion in Las Vegas. It was hotter than Hades, but we enjoyed watching Stephen Richardson win big at the machines.
- Bea and John Coley took us back to our roots in Opelika/Auburn, Alabama. What a memorable time!
- **2009** George and Zenobia hosted and shared the historical significance of Durham, North Carolina. Preston Wilson represented the best of what we hop for our children and its legacy with his tour with the world famous "Fisk Jubilee Singers", and his graduation from Fisk University. Way to represent Preston.
- **2010** Pius and Louella shared their lovely home with us in Lakeland, Florida. We had a fantastic time and enjoyed their generous hospitality and beautiful city.
- We went back to the "Windy City". The shopping, the fish fry, and the night life was wonderful. But, the "Living Legends Ball" was over the top.
- The family celebrated in historic Savannah, Georgia. Our hotel was off the Boardwalk ... so you know where we went.

**2013** – This time it was back to <u>New Orleans</u>...Meet – ups for breakfast in the lobby of the Hampton Inn & Suites Hotel, Steamboat Tours, Bus

Tours, The French Quarter, and great New Orleans cuisine combined with heartwarming family gatherings ... This'll be a tough act to follow.

**2014** – 2014 was the BOMB! Stephanie, Valarie, Wilda, Deborah, Barbara, Ebone and Rosalyn: They all worked together to put it on for the Peters family. We had fun with the kids at the McWayne Science Center and at the Birmingham Civil Rights Institute, we took a walk back down memory lane and were inspired by that historical journey.

**2015** – We walked the beach and soaked up the sun, along the Outer Banks of North Carolina, courtesy of George and Zee.

**2016** – WASHINGTON, D.C. Coordinated by Cousin Valerie Smith. We Came, We Saw, We Conquered! The pool party at Robyn and Moon's left nothing to be desired. What a hoot as we learned about the work conditions back in the 60's at Holy Family Camps in Benton Harbor, MI as told by Timmy Hart and Arnold Brown. This was followed by the family dinner at King Street Blues Restaurant in Alexandria, VA. That dinner proved that a little, well a lot of rain, could not keep this family down.

**2017** – Atlanta, GA. Tim and Curley did themselves and the family proud. The dinner at their home was exquisite and the dinner celebrating Father George was absolutely spot on! We had a marvelous time at the dinner and closed it out while holding hands and forming a circle while dancing to the O'Jays "Family Reunion". This one we won't forget!!!

**2018** – We're headed to the Appalachian Mountains of Tennessee!

## Peters,

### From 1359

**Peters** is synonymous with love, compassion and justice. Whoever bears this name is of noble and courageous descent. **Peters** inspire people.

**Peters'** military men and women inspire not just family, but the world. Here is a look at some of our military family...

Corporal Donald Robinson, Marines, deceased



E-5 Carolyn Jennings, USAF, Veteran



John H. Smith, Jr., Colonel, USAF Retired



Lt. Col. Warren Vines, USAF



#### E-4 Specialist Ebone Johnson, Army



**SGT Courtney Williams, Army** 



**Cadet Michael Smith, Air Force** 



PFC Timothy Hall, Army



E-5 Daniel Byers, Navy



**PFC James Frieson, Army** 



#### Robrandon L. Bee MSGT/E-7, USAF, Retired



Staff Sgt. Christopher Thorton, Air Force



Frank Hall, JR., Army Deceased



SP -4 Damien Hart, US Army, Veteran



Staff Sgt. Tiffany Hall, Air Force Veteran



**Brenton Robinson, Army** 



Bernard Robinson, Army Veteran Desabee Thaddeus Harold Peters, Jr., Army Carlton Well, Army

#### As Time Passes

As the seconds pass...

We look back...

At what our lives have held.

As the minutes pass...

We see what fell through the cracks,

Parts of our lives we withheld.

As the hours pass...

We think of what we learned.

What we have taught.

What we have forgot.

As the days pass...

We wish a lot could be returned.

We wish we would have never fought.

You hope they forget-me-not.

As years pass...

You stand alone.

They have all grown,

Married and gone

Or on their own.

As your life passes...

You stand proud...

Looking how well they raise their own.

You did well...

Live on...

Jenni-Fiere M. Bivens

This reunion, we are celebrating us, past and present, as a family; one unit with separate pieces.

## Our Family, from the beginning to the present...

#### Jim and Sarah Peters

- 1. John
- 2. Harold
- 3. Preston
- 4. Jim
- 5. Sweed

#### Jim and Joanna Peters

- 1. Ida
- 2. Seaborn

So, here's a look at the separate pieces that make our family, from past to present ...

#### **John Henry and Charlotte (Foreman) Peters**

Loving (Mary Rose) Oscar Mary Willis (Wilkie) Clark **Grandson Granddaughter** 

Charlotte Clark (Clarence Frieson, Jr.) Wilkie Sherard Frieson Je'Lynn Mikele Frieson. James McKenzie Frieson, **Kynnedy Brianna** 

**Ulysses Simpson** 

Hatty Mae (Wesley) Glaze

John William Glaze

Great-granddaughter

2<sup>nd</sup> great-grandson

2<sup>nd</sup> great-granddaughter

3<sup>rd</sup> great-grandson

3<sup>rd</sup> great granddaughter **Grandson** 

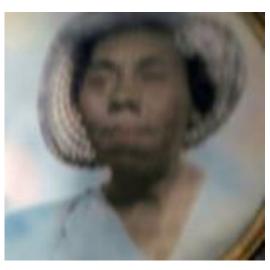
Granddaughter

great-grandson





**Mary Clark** 



**Hattie Mae Glaze** 



**Wilkie Frieson** 



**Charlotte Clark-Frieson** 

#### JeLynn and Kennedy



**James Frieson** 

#### **Harold and Ida (Cody) Peters**

Desabee (Agnes) Peters, Sr.

Son

♣ Agnes last name was Gazaway. Thus, the Gazaways became immersed into the Peters clan.

#### Desabee Thaddeus Harold Peters, Jr.

#### grandson

Patricia Peters Williams
Muriel "Mari" Williams
Katrina Williams
Debra Peters Rivera
Angel L Rivera
Amalia Yvette Rivera
Ana Maria Rivera-Fisher (Andrew Fisher Jr)

great-granddaughter

2<sup>nd</sup> great-granddaughter

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#### James Edna Peters (Carlton) Well

#### granddaughter

Charlie Louis Potors	grandson
Montee Peters (Raymond) Odom	granddaughter
Gabriel Dixon Jr	4 <sup>th</sup> great-grandson
Ashley Maria (Gabriel) Dixon	3 <sup>nd</sup> great-granddaughter
Imari	3 <sup>rd</sup> great-granddaughter
Cameron	3 <sup>rd</sup> great-grandson
Kaiden	3 <sup>rd</sup> great-grandson
Courtney, Jr	3 <sup>rd</sup> great-grandson
Courtney Sherrod	2 <sup>nd</sup> great-grandson
Jeremiah	3 <sup>rd</sup> great-grandson
Dwight, Jr.	3 <sup>rd</sup> great-grandson
Dwight Carlton	2 <sup>nd</sup> great grandson
Janice Wells Kennedy	great-granddaughter
Lauren Wells Mitchell	2 <sup>nd</sup> great-granddaughter
Rosalyn (Robert) Mitchell	great-granddaughter

grandson Charlie Louis Peters

**Gladys Elizabeth Peters** granddaughter

**Daughter** Novella (Isaac) Scott, Sr.

**Lola Scott** granddaughter

**Roy Scott** grandson

Ida Lou Scott granddaughter

**Carrie Scott Oliver** granddaughter

#### Isaac "Honey Doll" (Randall) Scott, Jr.

grandson

Beatrice (John) Coley great-granddaughter Mildred (Dr. Carl) Cheeks great-granddaughter Milford (Annette) Scott great-grandson John Lewis (Dr. Cassie) Scott great-grandson Calvin (Johnnie Mae) Scott great-grandson Ida Carrie (Jerry) Daniels great-granddaughter

**Daniel Scott** grandson

Lucius Son

Inez (W.L.) Williams **Daughter** 

Aldonia "Dona" (Samuel George) Clements **Daughter** 

#### Julia Hunter (John) Hart granddaughter

Wayne Hart great-grandson Rachel Hart great-granddaughter Tim (Lucretia) Hart great-grandson 2<sup>nd</sup> great-grandson Vincent Hart 2<sup>nd</sup> great-grandson Michelle Hart 2<sup>nd</sup> great-granddaughter Alex (Leonard) McDowell 3<sup>rd</sup> great-granddaughter Selah McDowell Cosby McDowell 3rd great-grandson

Damien (Caren) Hart 2<sup>nd</sup> great-grandson 3rd great-granddaughter Mya Gabriel 3rd great-grandson **Ada Mae Clements** granddaughter John (Yvette) Hunter grandson Gloria great-granddaughter Todd great-grandson **George H. Clements** grandson Joseph (Deana) Clements great-grandson 2<sup>nd</sup> great-grandson Kennis Kenton 2<sup>nd</sup> great-grandson 2<sup>nd</sup> great-grandson Micah 2<sup>nd</sup> great-grandson **Annias** great-grandson **Friday Clements** Zerick 2<sup>nd</sup> great-grandson Morgan 2<sup>nd</sup> great-granddaughter **Stewart Clements** great-grandson Gabrielle 2<sup>nd</sup> great-granddaughter Saint Anthony (Darlene) Clements great-grandson Anthony 2<sup>nd</sup> great-grandson Ynez Clements (Ralph) Gilmer granddaughter Randell Gilmer great-grandson 2<sup>nd</sup> great-granddaughter Brandy 3rd great-grandson Jay Micole 2<sup>nd</sup> great-granddaughter 2<sup>nd</sup> great-granddaughter Parthenia 2<sup>nd</sup> great-granddaughter Khrysa 3<sup>rd</sup> great-grandson Daniel 4th great-grandson **Byrce** Craig (Regina) Gilmer Great-grandson 2<sup>nd</sup> great-granddaughter Kirstie 2<sup>nd</sup> great-granddaughter Kori 3rd great-granddaughter Kaylee 2<sup>nd</sup> great-grandson Kyle Ricky (Tamika) Gilmer great-grandson 2<sup>nd</sup> great-grandson Ian 2<sup>nd</sup> great-grandson Brennen 2<sup>nd</sup> great-granddaughter Jaden

**Odessa Peters** 

Courtney (Mariao Gilmer

Autumn

Martha

Ida V.

**Gladys Elizabeth** 

Daughter

2<sup>nd</sup> great-granddaughter

great-grandson

**Daughter** 

**Daughter** 

**Daughter** 

## **Past**



Desabee Peters, Jr.



**Odessa Peters** 



**Aldonia Clements** 



**Carrie Oliver** 



**Novella Scott** 

## **Present**



**Bishop George Clements** 



**Damien and Caren Hart** 



**Alice and Robert Bee** 

Moses (Ida) Peters

Lottie



Daryl, Deja, Veronica and Sydney Richardson

Son

**Daughter** 

#### Preston and Charlotte "Lottie" (Benford) Peters

	Moses	grandson
	Ruth Mae	granddaughter
	Rosalyn	granddaughter
	Lottie Lee	granddaughter
W	ilbert	Son
7	Wilbert	grandson
	Chester	grandson
Co	ora	Daughter
Ch	nester	Son
Na	arcis (Isham) Boyd	Daughter
	Ethel	granddaughter
	Willie B.	grandson

#### Jim and Lula Peters

Maude Peters Burton Daughter

Johnny Peters Son

Zachery Peters Son

Jim E. Peters Son

Douglas Peters Son

Ella Peters Daughter

#### **Jim and Martha Peters**

Sylvester Peters Son

Sarah Peters Daughter

Doyle Peters Son

Swede Peters Son

Fannie Lou Peters Daughter

Doshia (Mose) Barrow Daughter

Joseph Barrow grandson

Margaret Barrow Molton granddaughter

Carrie Barrow Ferguson granddaughter

Jim Barrow grandson

Rubye (Edward) Byrdsong granddaughter

Jacquelyn (Robert) Rivesgreat-granddaughterAcquilla (Rev. Melvin) Crookgreat-granddaughterJames Edward Byrdsonggreat-grandson

Beulah Barrow Jelks granddaughter

Ulysses Barrow grandson

James Barrow grandson

#### Frances Barrow Grimes Laura (Booker) Glover

Barbara Glover Williams Charlene Williams Candis Williams Kenva Williams Masai Williams Carole Willuams Agard Veronica Tarzetta Glover Smith **Gary Smith Brad Smith** Frances (Billy) Smith **Christopher Smith** Roderick Smith Tammy Kaelyn Smith **Evan Smith Tammy Smith Timothy Smith Raymond Glover** Sarah Glover Mason Sarina M. Jackson Portia Mason Walter E. ('The Brickman") Glover

#### granddaughter granddaughter

great-granddaughter 2<sup>nd</sup> great -granddaughter 2<sup>nd</sup> great-granddaughter 3<sup>rd</sup>greatgranddaughter 4<sup>rd</sup> great –grandson 2<sup>nd</sup> great-granddaughter 3<sup>rd</sup> great-granddaughter great-granddaughter 2<sup>nd</sup> great-grandson 2<sup>nd</sup> great-grandson great-granddaughter 2<sup>nd</sup> great-grandson 2<sup>nd</sup> great-granddaughter 3<sup>rd</sup> great-grandson 4th great-grandson 3<sup>rd</sup> great-grandson 2<sup>nd</sup> great-granddaughter 2<sup>nd</sup> great-grandson great grandson great-granddaughter 2nd great-granddaughter 2<sup>rd</sup> great-granddaughter great-grandson

#### **Past**



**Mose Barrow** 



**Doshia Barrow** 



Walter Everette Glover "The Brickman"

## **Present**



**Acquilla Crooks** 



**Jacquelyn Rives** 

#### **Swede and Caroline (Lockhart) Peters**

Swede and Caroline (Lockhart) Peters			
Descendants			
Jim James	Son grandson		
Edith	granddaughter		
Cora Howard Jessie R. A.	Daughter grandson grandson		
Hattie Edwards Sarah Frances Renita Yolanda	<b>granddaughter</b> great granddaughter 2 <sup>nd</sup> great-granddaughter 2 <sup>nd</sup> great-granddaughter		
Jamal Linda	2 <sup>nd</sup> great-grandson great-granddaughter		
Ada (Alex) Kelly Myrtis Carrie Paige	Daughter granddaughter granddaughter		
**Two of Swede and Caroline's children died and we	ren't named		
Adelia	Daughter		
Hattie	Daughter		
Martha	Daughter		
Susie "Sweetie" (Frank) Hall, Sr.  Myrtis (McConnell) Robinson  Carolyn (Bradford) Jennings  Jason (Cathy) Jennings  Callie J  Jaxon  Bernard (Mary) Robinson  Brenton  BreShuana  Anyia  Donald Dwight  Deborah Robinson Dick  Stephanie Dick Johnson  Ebone Johnson  Morgan (DeWayne) Johnson McKinstry  Demarion McKinstry  Ryan Johnson  Anthony Dick, Sr.  Anthony Dick, Sr.  Patrick Dick, Sr.	paughter granddaughter great-granddaughter  2nd great-grandson 3rd great-granddaughter 3rd great-grandson great-grandson 2rd great-grandson 3rd great-granddaughter 3rd great-granddaughter 3rd great-granddaughter great-granddaughter great-granddaughter 2nd great-granddaughter 3rd great-granddaughter 3rd great-granddaughter 3rd great-granddaughter 3rd great-granddaughter 4rd great-grandson 3rd great-grandson 2nd great-grandson 3rd great-grandson 3rd great-grandson 3rd great-grandson		
Courtney Williams Patrick Dick, Jr.	3 <sup>rd</sup> great-grandson 3 <sup>rd</sup> great-grandson		
Damion Dick, Sr. Jamellia Johnson Damion Dick, Jr. Yolanda (Curtis) Flowers, Sr. Curtis (Erica) Flowers, Jr. Jevon	2 <sup>nd</sup> great-grandson 3 <sup>rd</sup> great-granddaughter 3 <sup>rd</sup> great-grandson Great-granddaughter 2 <sup>nd</sup> great-grandson 3 <sup>rd</sup> great-grandson		

	Malachi	3 <sup>rd</sup> great-grandson	
	Ariella	3 <sup>rd</sup> great-granddaughter	
	Jada Flowers Carr	2 <sup>nd</sup> great-granddaughter	
	Aaron	3 <sup>rd</sup> great-grandson	
	Emerald	3 <sup>rd</sup> great-granddaughter	
	Cameron (Amber) Flowers	2 <sup>nd</sup> great-grandson	
	Kobe	3 <sup>rd</sup> great-grandson	
	Ezekiel	3 <sup>rd</sup> great-grandson	
	Wynter	3 <sup>rd</sup> great-granddaughter	
	Capyrce	3 <sup>rd</sup> great-granddaughter	
Sara	ah (Neil) Smith	granddaughter	
	Wilda (Hansell) Gunn	great-granddaughter	
	Leslie	2 <sup>nd</sup> great-granddaughter	
	Jonathan	2 <sup>nd</sup> great-grandson	
	Warren (Ethel) Vines, Sr.	great-grandson	
	Lt. Col. Warren (Catherine) Vines, Jr.	2 <sup>nd</sup> great-grandson	
	Rodney Vines	2 <sup>nd</sup> great-grandson	
	Trinitee	3 <sup>rd</sup> great-granddaughter	
	Caydence	3 <sup>rd</sup> great-granddaughter	
	River	3 <sup>rd</sup> great-granddaughter	
	Payton	3 <sup>rd</sup> great-granddaughter	
	Valerie Smith	great-granddaughter	
	Frank Hall, Jr.	grandson	
	Gail Hall	great-granddaughter	
	Yacobe Smith	2 <sup>nd</sup> great-grandson	
	Eliyah	3 <sup>rd</sup> great-grandson	
	Marcus Hall	great-grandson	
	Zachary	2 <sup>nd</sup> great-grandson	
	Sabrina Bowling	great-granddaughter	
	Amanda	2 <sup>nd</sup> great-granddaughter	
	Frank (Janice) Hall, III	great-grandson	
	Tiffany	2 <sup>nd</sup> great-granddaughter	
	Brittany	2 <sup>nd</sup> great-granddaughter	
	Cathy (Frank) Byers	great-granddaughter	
	Frank, Jr.	2 <sup>nd</sup> great-grandson	
	Eboni	2 <sup>nd</sup> great-granddaughter	
	Daniel	2 <sup>nd</sup> great-grandson	
	Jonathan (Diane) Hall	great-grandson	
	Lukas	2 <sup>nd</sup> great-grandson	
	Christopher	2 <sup>nd</sup> great-grandson	
	Mildred (John) Smith	granddaughter	
	Denise (Michael) Williams	great-granddaughter	
	Michael (Gina) Smith	great-grandson	
	Matthew	2 <sup>nd</sup> great-grandson	
	Jessica	2 <sup>nd</sup> great-granddaughter	
	Marcus (Carley)	2 <sup>nd</sup> great-grandson	Regina
Smith	`	great-granddaughter	-8
- "	Kenneth Smith	great-grandson	
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Son daughter

Joe "Buddy" (Portia) Peters Evette

## **Past**



**Swede and Caroline Peters** 



Susie "Sweetie" Peters Hall



**Jim Peters** 



Joe "Buddy" Peters

#### Frank and Susie (Sweetie) Hall, Sr.



**McConnell & Myrtis Robinson** 



Frank & Eddie Hall, Jr.



**Neil & Sarah Smith** 



**Cristal Diane Vines** 



**Donald Dwight Robinson** 



## **Present**



**Carolyn Jennings** 



Jason & Cathy Jennings, with Callie Jay & Jaxon



Carolyn Jennings with grands, Callie and Jaxon



**Bernard & Mary Robinson** 



Anthony Dick, Jr.



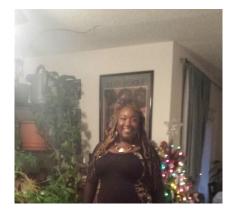
**Deborah Dick** 



Stephanie Johnson, son, Ryan



Anthony Dick, Sr.



**Morgan McKinstry** 



Patrick Dick & son, Patrick, Jr.





**Ebone Johnson** 



Courtney & bro, Pat, Jr



Curtis and Yolanda Flowers, Sr.



Curtis, Jr., Erica, Malachi and Arielle



Cameron & Amber Flowers with children, Ezekiel, Wynter and Caprice



**Kobe Johnson** 



Jada, with children, Aaron and Emerald Flowers



**Aaron and Miesha Flowers** 



Wilda, Jonathon and Leslie Gunn



**Hansel Gunn** 



Warren & Ethel Vines, Sr. & son Warren, Jr.



**Rodney Vines** 



**Payton Vines** 



**Catherine Vines holding Baby River** 



**Caydence & River Vines** 



Valerie Smith

#### The Hall Family



From top to bottom: Jonathan Hall, Cathy Byers, Frank Hall III, Sebrina Bowling, Mark Hall and Gail Hall.



From top to bottom: Lucas Hall, Elijah Smith, Zachary Hall, Daniel Byers, Eboni Byers, Amanda Bowling and Yacobe Hall.



Frank and Cathy Byers, SR. /kids



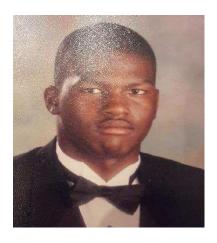
Jonathan and Janice Hall



Frank, III and Diane Hall



**Brittany Hall** 



Frank Byers, Jr.

#### John & Mildred Smith and Family



Bottom left to right, Marcus, Denise, John, Mildred, Regina and Jessica Top left to right, Michael, Matthew, Kenneth and Michael Williams

## **GRADUATES OF 2018**



**Lucas Hall** 



Damion Dick, Jr.



**Demarion Mckinstry** 



**Emerald Flowers** 



Kariamu Bee



**Brittany Hall** 

Juwan Bee- Adrian College

# Peters/Clements/Gazaway News Letters

From our House to Yours...

# The Hansell Gunn Clan

Hansell and I are still active with the day to day operations and finances of the academy; there is always something going on that requires our attention.

**Leslie**, our daughter, moved to the Atlanta Area last year. She works in HR in her new company. Having worn many hats at the Academy, she said her GCA work is done. She will pursue some of her projects previously on hold. She has great ideas and is so creative. I am sworn to secrecy about those projects, but I hope to share them with you soon.

**Jonathan**, our son, is a self-employed certified personal trainer in the Roswell, Marietta - East Cobb area. You may visit his website at JONGUNNFITNESS.COM. He continues to play basketball although he does not coach the middle school team anymore. He is very busy with managing his businesses and his bachelor life, both of which he loves.

His fitness App is up and running. The App allows you to schedule a trainer to enhance your workout session wherever you may travel ...... like a family reunion for instance. I'm just saying! You may download it "MyTrainer by Jon Gunn" in the iOS App Store!

And, in case you are wondering ...... Still no Grandbabies!

# **CONGRATULATIONS TO THE BEE FAMILY!**



OUR SON- Robrandon L. Bee, MSGT/E-7 retired from the US Air Force on July 1, 2018, after 24 years of service.

His oldest son Juwan graduated from Adrian College on April 29, 2018, majoring in Linguistics in Japanese and French.

Robrandon's daughter, Kariamu, starts Bowling Green State University in the fall.

This is my family tree; Alice Grant-Bee (Robert Bee, Jr.)

Mother's name; Gertrude Gazaway Grant

Father's name; Carmel Belmont Grant

Brother's name, Gordon Felton- Deceased

Gordon's son name; Corey Felton

Corey's Daughter name; Korye Felton

Korey Felton's daughter name; Briona Felton

Brother's name; David Grant - no children

Sister's name, Elizabeth Grant Jackson- no children.

## THE MILTON HARTS

## Greetings One and All,



Tim and I have had an eventful year and we thank God for all of his blessings. We celebrated our 45th wedding anniversary this past year and we celebrated by doing "nothing". We have learned to treasure those quiet moments with just the two of us. We reflect on how God has blessed our life together with wonderful family and friends.

We got to see all of the grandchildren last Christmas, they are growing up so fast. The oldest is now 9 and the youngest is 2. Seems like they were just born and our children were doing the "early to bed and early to rise" routine. We wish they were closer so we could see them more often but they all have their own lives to live.

I continue to work on charity projects with the American Sewing Guild while Tim still works with the 100 Black Men of North Metro Atlanta.

His very favorite time is spent being a daycare "Uber" driver for his youngest granddaughter on Thursday so Vincent can direct a church basketball fellowship after work.

We pray all of you have a blessed Year filled with Love, Joy and Peace.

## THE MARIETTA HARTS



Her Bae (Vincent): What's good my people! Man, what the past year has brought to Michelle, Michaela, and I. Let's get right into it...ladies first, you ready Chelle? His Bae (Michelle): Gimme one sec. Apparently, your daughter doesn't feel her milk is at 91.3° and has directed me to go back and get it right.

Our Bae (Michaela): "Do da tee ma so" (while pointing finger)...translation: Less talkey more movey.

Her Bae: Let me keep the train movin...So yeah, the family has truly been Blessed this past year. Michaela's development has at times made Chelle and I look at each other and shake our heads. She does anything or nothing, when the mood suits her. So pretty much...she's normal. So, more and more she's asserting independence and her willingness to TRY, which Chelle and I endeavor to nurture and grow. Recently, she has discovered her new superpower to OPEN AND CLOSE DOORS! She has my looks and Chelle's hair and demeanor.

His Bae: Wait a minute!..yeah you right.



Her Bae: (Discreet eye roll)...Moving along...Chelle is continuing her mastery of working wife and mother. What I'm most proud of, is her beginning to take more time for herself and know that under my watch, no one will die and the house will still be usable. My career change to UPS last year, with The Lord's help, has been one of the best decisions I've ever made. I was promoted in May to a supervisory position to oversee a number of applications, both customers facing and internal to UPS.

His Bae: Climb that ladder chile!

Her Bae: With that said...I'm making sure to stunt my professional growth to maintain my claim on eventually being a house spouse. I called dibs on it first!

His Bae: Dang!

Her Bae: So that's it for this year! We wish you all Blessings and a wonderful Reunion 2018!

## THE CALIFORNIA HARTS



The California Hart Family thanks God for having had a blessed 2017! There will always be trials and tribulations, which only make us stronger. Caren is a wonderful wife and mother, and Gabriel and Mya continue to make like weeds! Lord knows we keep them busy. Gabriel and Mya are both in Tae Kwan Do, where they both just achieved their blue belts. They love the Chess, Lego engineering, and Scrabble clubs at school. Before I get ahead of myself, may the Lord and Gabriel forgive me for not announcing last year that Gabriel received his First Communion! Gabriel and Mya both excelled in soccer this past season each being considered by the coaches and other parents to be the best on their teams! Mya won the Team Panda's Most Valuable Player Award! Go Mya! They are both excelling in the

Mathematics (Arithmetic for the more mature generation) and Reading classes. In Reading they are both almost two grades ahead of their grade

level. Caren and I couldn't be more proud of what they both have achieved in school and their extra-curricular activities! Caren is a working woman, who loves what she does in accounting, but of course there is always that one person who makes the job more interesting, and she was appointed the Accounting Auditor for the Parent Faculty Club. As for myself, I am counting God's blessings for having such a wonderful wife and two beautiful children who couldn't be any more perfect! As I said before and will say again and often, God blessed us with Gabriel and Mya who are handsome/beautiful, intelligent, big, strong, healthy, and most important...Happy! I will in this next year be looking forward to the new challenges the Lord has to offer and as our family transitions into the next stages of life. From the California Hart Family to you and yours, may the Lord continue to bless, guide, and watch over us all! May everyone have a blessed 2018 Reunion!

## THE CHICAGO McDOWELLS

I pray God's blessings have overwhelmed you throughout this year. We have certainly seen God's favor as we are all in good health, the kids are thriving in school and we made it through another year! That is more than enough to wake up and be grateful for. 2017 was a fantastic year with many firsts for the kids! We took the kids to Disney



World in Florida for a week and it was an unforgettable trip with Mickey, Minnie and friends! We also took the kids camping, fishing and boating! We completed a major home renovation project complete with new paint, carpet and closet organizer. Home projects that were long overdue as we hit the 10 year mark in our home. Selah just started Kindergarten, scored high marks and had perfect attendance and absolutely loves going to school. She is the first one up in the morning...every morning. Cosby is blowing 4th grade away and came home with straight A's, perfect attendance and Principal's Scholar for his 1st Quarter report card! Please keep both of them in your prayers so that they finish the year strong. We send you all our love, prayers and well wishes throughout the year and the 2018 Reunion.

Love,

The McDowells - LJ, Alexis, Cosby & Selah Grace

# A TRIBUTE TO MILDRED HALL SMITH & JOHN HENRY SMITH









# IN RECOGNITION OF 65 YEARS OF MATRIMONY

May 17, 1953 to May 17, 2018
Prepared For 2018 Peters~Clements~Gazaway
45th Annual Family Reunion, July19-22, 2018

Mildred celebrated her 90th Birthday during an afternoon party, on May 13th, 2017 at Maggiano's Little Italy Restaurant in the Denver Tech Center. She received a Proclamation Letter from Governor John Hickenlooper, State of Colorado, a Proclamation from Mayor Michael Hancock, City & County of Denver, Colorado and a Proclamation from Mayor Stephen Hogan, City of Aurora, Colorado all proclaiming May 13th, 2017 as "Mildred Hall Smith" Day in celebration and observance of her ninetieth (90th) Birthday and Celebration of her fruitful life.

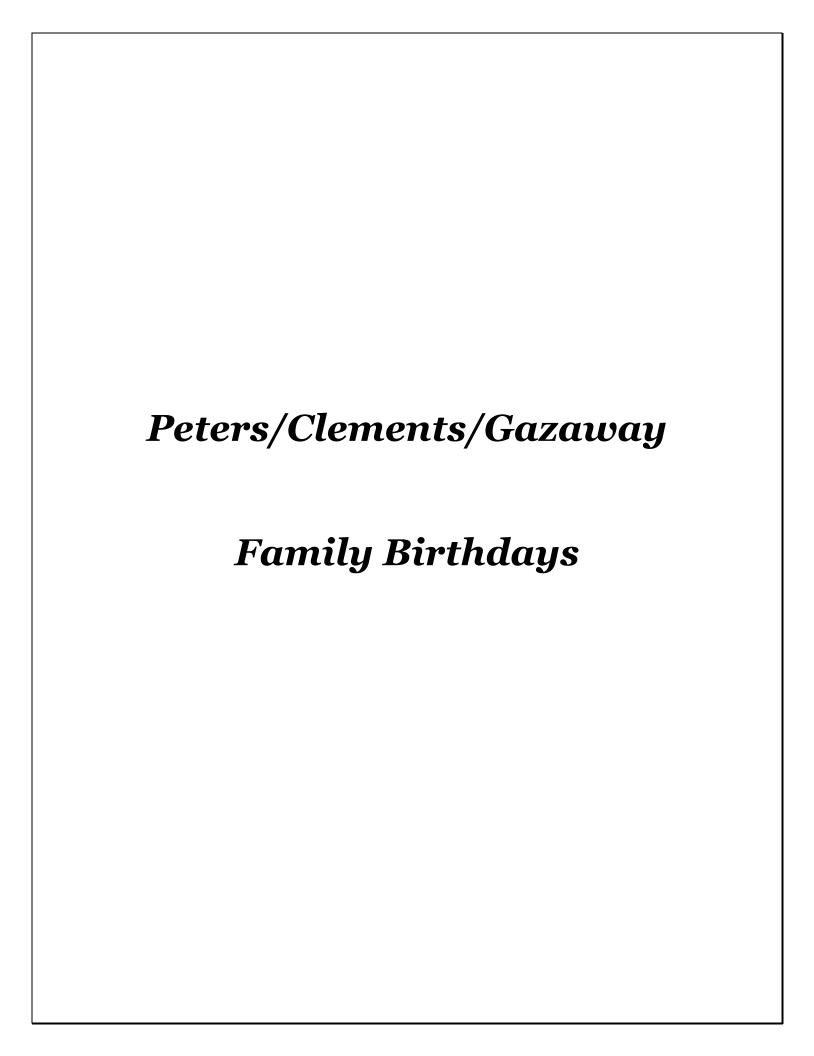
Grandchildren's Baby Shower: Mildred and John were excited to hear the announcement that Marcus and Carly Smith are expected their first child in April 2018. This will be their first Great Grandchild. On Saturday, May 10th, 2018 at the Michael and Gina Smith Residence, a baby shower was held which was attended by 40 people including Mildred and John. It was a wonderful celebration with many gifts, good eating and fun for all.

Mildred and family celebrated John's 88th Birthday Party with an informal dinner at Longhorn Steak House just north of Park Meadows Mall in Lone Tree, Colorado, on Tuesday, March 27, 2018.

## Mildred Smith

I think of all of you as my big family, especially the younger ones. What with all my siblings gone, I feel as though I'm responsible for all of you. As I get older, I am becoming more and more family-oriented. To me, family is a sacred bond from God and the ties that bind us is stronger than any other bond besides marriage. I wish for each and every one of you a life filled with love, laughter, good health and prosperity.

With all my love, Mildred



January

- 1 Makyah Roland
- Lucretia "Curly" Hart
- Darienne Gilmer
- Jessica Smith
- 9 Rodney Vines
- 10 Raymonde Odom, Jr. Isaac Scott
- Stewart Clements Lukas Hall
- Matthew Smith
- Craig Gilmer 17
- Charles I. Melton 18
- Fr. George Clements Rossy Salazar Mildred Scott
- Hansell Gunn
- Michael Robinson

## February

- 1 Eric Pegues
- 2 Anita Clarke Keith Pegues Damion Dick Kenneth Smith Eliyah Hall
- Sam Clark Aries Owen
- Kenton Clements
- Autumn Gilmer Kristen Moreland
- Tyrah Peete Amiee Smith Patrick Dick
- **Kevin Pegues** 16
- Porcia Amparo
- 17 Ian Brown
- 19 Kyle Gilmer Myra Marie Hart
- Caren Hart
- 22 Jevon Flowers
- **Brenton Robinson** Wynter Flowers
- Benny H. Wilson, Jr. Jamellia Johnson

## March

- 2 Ann Griffin
- Walter Clarke Judy Forrest
- Wilda Gunn
- Bernard Robinson Jonathan Hall
- Clinton Owens
- Latanya Edmond 13
- Calvin Wright 16
- 23 Catherine Griffin
- Jessica Rae Owens 24
- 25 **Brittney Hall**
- Damien Hart Yolanda Flowers **Ezekiel Flowers**
- Daniel Hall 27
- Terri Love
- John Smith 29 Damion Dick, Jr.
- Robyn Mullen

## April

- 1 Alice Bee Cathy Jennings
- Rodney Moreland, Jr.

- 3 Saint Anthony Clements Jocelvn Owens Arnold Thaxton
- Fr. Pascal Atomori
- Robert Mitchell
- Malachi Flowers
- Carrie Oliver 10
- Arnold Brown Kori Gilmer
- Todd Hunter
- Brandee Gilmer 16
- Regina Gilmer Alan Clements
- George Wilson
- Michael Smith
- 21 Victoria Clarke
- 22 Barbara Moreland
- 23 Mante Stevens
- Frank Byers Jonathan Gunn
- Deanna Clements 26
- 29 Ryan Johnson

#### May

- 1 Annie Scott
- 2 Vincent Hart
- John Scott
- Wilbur Griffin
- Breshuana Robinson A J. Gilmer
- Veleria O'Kelley
- Jada Flowers-Carr
- Crissa Gilmer Tony Rouson
- 12 Robert Bee Vesta Brown
- Mildred Smith
- 13 Mary Robinson
- Rosalyn Wells-Mitchell
- Rhonda Moreland 19 Muriel "Mari" Williams
- L.J. McDowell 20
- Warren Vines, Sr.
- 22 Emerald Flowers
- Curtis Flowers, Jr. 26 Ethel Vines
- 30 Charles Melton, Jr.
- Kennis Clements Randall Moreland Amber Flowers

#### June

- Kavla Clements
- Jesse Robinson
- Joy Brown
- Cera Pegues Kirstie Gilmer
- Courtney Kennedy LaToya Moreland
- Friday Clements 20 **Beatrice Coley**
- Veronica Richardson 22
- 23 Jordan Clarke
- Anylia Robinson 25
- 30 Pius Godwin

## July

- 1 Alexis Hart McDowell
- Ricky Gilmer
- Kevin Farley, Jr.
- Amanda Bowling
- Margaret McDonald Katrina Williams

- 9 Daryl Richardson
- 10 Leslyn Odom-Clarke
- 11 Ananais Clements Ricky Gilmer
- Rodney Moreland 13 Brennen Gilmer
- Teresa Adorno 15
- Rhonda Adorno 16 Yacobe Hall
- Glynnis Warner
- Carla Fauntleroy
- Stewart Combo Darryl Rouson
- Frank Hall, III
- 21 Bridgett Nunez
- Barbara Clark
- Deborah Moreland 23 Torrence Scott
- Gabriel Hart
- Vicky Mena
- Marcus Smith
- Callie Jay Jennings

#### August

- Michael Williams
- Kimberly Griffin Cadyne Vines
- Zoe Clements
- Ciera Brown
- Carter Gilmer
- Brenda Melton Mia Scott
- Kaia Wilson
- Sydney Richardson 16
- Rachel Hart
- Staci Gilmer 21 Gerald Clements
- Veleria "Ebonie" Brooker
- Monique Monroe Franklin Taylor
- Ida Scott Daniels
- Stephanie Johnson

## September

- Ariella Flowers
- Roquetta Moreland
- Courtney Dumas Williams
- Felicia Walton
- **David Grant**
- Regina Pegues
- Ian Gilmer Mark Edmonds
- Cameron Flowers
- Arnold Brown, Jr. Leslie Gunn
- 16 Aaron Flowers
- Calvin Scott Gordon Felton
- Charles Melton, III Tracy Richardson Pat Williams
- Anthony Dick, Jr. Miesha Flowers
- Clyde Moreland 22
- Trinity Vines 28 Regina Smith

#### October

- Marcus Hall
- Joseph Clements 2
- Eboni Byers **Demarion McKinstry**

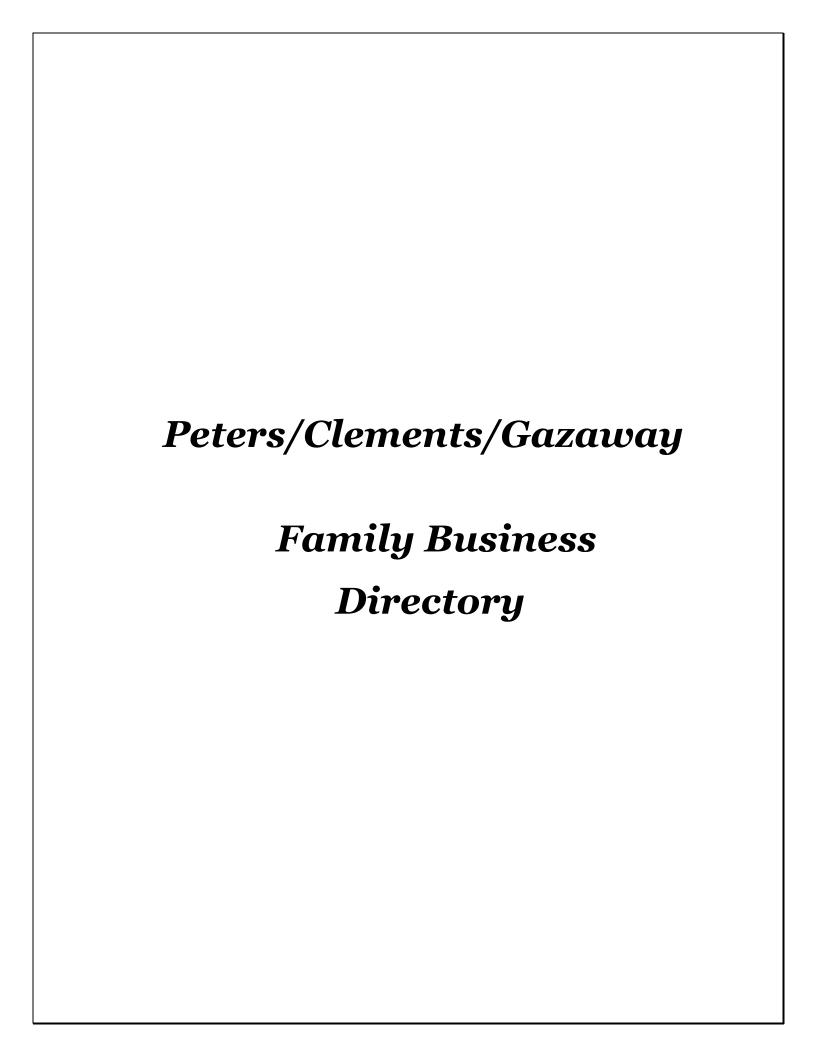
- 8 Gary Richardson
  - Courtney Gilmer Tiffany Hall
- Frank Byers, Jr. 11 Marquita Gilmer Ynez Gilmer Capryce Flowers
- 12 Kevin Antonio Franco
- Lauren Mitchell Gail Hall
- Deja Richardson
- Novella Owens Ebone Chanel Johnson Kobe Johnson Kadarius Fecske
- Jason Jennings
- 18 Steve Richardson, Jr.
- Deborah Robinson Dick
- **Edward Robinson** Curtis Flowers, Sr.
- Mildred Cheeks
- Lisa Robinson 25
- Larry Clements Harrison Owens, Sr.
- Christopher Hall
- Micah Clements
- Preston Wilson Jaxon Jennings

### November

- Nicole Clements Steve Richardson, Jr.
- Ramona Gilmer
- Zachary Hall Carolyn Jennings Morgan C.J. McKinstry
- 8 Riana Lynn
- Donna Richardson Patrick Dick, Jr.
- Gina Smith Alicia Skipworth Randall Waters
- Marie Wilde
- Elizabeth Grant-Jackson Lesli Gilmer-Wright
- Phyllis Gilmer
- William Stephens 28 Maria Francis Rios

## December

- Valerie smith 2 Melvin Wilde
- Denise Williams Pamela Richardson
- 8 Nicholas Owens 9 Harrison Owens
- Cathy Byers 10 Angela Godwin
- Clyde Moreland
- Timothy Hart Jailon Rutledge
- Zenobia Wilson Antoinette Smith Gabriel Dixon Jr
- Ralph Gilmer **Destine Clements** Cosby McDowell
- Lt. Col. Warren Vines, Jr. Sebrina Bowling
- 28 Virginia Hawkins-Stephens
- Erica Flowers Anthony Dick, Sr.



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Hello PCG Family,

My name is Wilda Vines Gunn. I am the great-granddaughter of Swede and Caroline Lockhart Peters. My grandmother was Susie "Sweetie" Peters Hall, wife of Frank Hall, Sr. Many of you will remember my Mom, Sarah Hall Smith.

Let me introduce you to Gunn Christian Academy, a small private, non-profit school located in Birmingham Alabama, owned by my husband Hansell Gunn and me. We designed our unique curriculum to nurture the "whole" student; motivation to enrich the mind, biblical instruction to encourage the spirit and empowerment tools to improve behavior. Most of our kids live and learn in very challenging environments. While many of them do well in traditional classroom settings, others struggle with the ability to adapt to a systematic educational structure where the teachers are overwhelmed, the classrooms are overcrowded, and policy makers are overpowered by the education crisis in our state.

While no school has all the answers for the education ills of today's society, we believe our curriculum addresses the needs of many of these underserved children and their communities. I believe our Christ-centered curriculum addresses the needs of these students and will prepare them academically and socially to meet the challenges of the 21st century. They are our goal, our purpose and our passion!

GCA also offers an Independent Adult Studies Program to the mature student, 19 years of age and older. We design an individual education plan for each person, positing them to obtain a high school diploma. Currently there are 310 students in that program. About thirty (30) students are expected to graduate in May 2018. In the December 2017, there were 26 students who marched in our first formal commencement exercises.

~So, pray for us, our children and our staff we began our sixth year 2018 - 2019 this

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# **FLOWERS' TEAPOT**

# TEA YOURSELF TO HEALTHFUL LIVING

Habakkuk 2: 2-4b- And the Lord answered me, and said, Write the vision, make it plain upon tables, that he may run that reads it. For the vision is yet for an appointed time, but at the end it shall speak, and not lie: though it tarry, wait for it: because it will surely come, it will not tarry..., but the just shall live by faith.

Flowers' Teapot blends herbal teas using only organic ingredients that are pesticide and preservative free. We grow many of our herbs in our hometown of Alcoa, Tennessee. Herbs are picked at their peak, washed thoroughly and immediately put through the drying process for freshness. Our natural herbal blends are supplemented with only USDA ORGANIC sealed ingredients such as green tea, fruits, spices or herbs that are not conducive to our climate.

The benefits of herbal teas have been used for thousands of years. Not only is a hot cup of tea soothing and relaxing, but it can have medical benefits, too. Depending on the blend, herbal tea can: relieve allergies, improve digestion, increase energy, aid in weight loss and improve muscle aches or tension.

Our teas are formulated based on careful research for each herbal benefit and the best combinations to achieve the desired result. The ultimate test is the Flowers' family taste buds! We try each blend, record its performance, taste and smell so that we're confident in sharing a quality product.

Browse our website for a variety of herbal tea blends and tea accessories. Check back often for seasonal blends! This vision of mine took a long time to come to fruition, and yet still, is not fully come to its' maturity. It has been my dream to have and establish a business for my family in something I truly love, and that is herbal teas. Something that will capture the whole man, a time to rest and reflect on the day's events while sipping a cup of calming, refreshing and satisfying cup of tea.

What I learned is that everyone wants the chance to just relax even if it is for a few moments during a lunch break at work or from a busy day working around the house. When I think of all of the medicinal properties tea holds and how inexpensive it is and how good it is for you, I say, "Thank God for tea." One can attest that it is definitely cost effective even for the richest person in the world.

A brief history of herb and herbal tea is fascinating. One would think it all began in China or India. The oldest and most renowned of all steeped plants is tea. Legend has it dated back in A.D. 2737 where the emperor god, Che-Nung was heating water under a tree and a gust of wind scattered the leaves into the boiling water. Thank God it is just a legend and not truth.

Tea has been around since creation, Genesis 1:29 -



- TEA is a history of economic botany used by man for food or physic or for aromatic, cosmetic, or dyeing use. For the next few months, we will share with you the history of herbs.
- The oldest known systems of medicine in the world today are those of China, India, and ancient Egypt.

  We will talk about Chinese medicine and its' contribution to us today.
- Chinese medicine The system of Chinese polypharmacy which has survived into modern times, is widely acclaimed as one of the most complete and effective herbal traditions extant to

If you are cold, tea will warm you. If you are too heated, it will cool you. If you are depressed, it will cheer you. If you are excited, it will calm you. ~ William Gladstone - British politician

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Flowers' Grandchildren



Husband doesn't know how to use the camera!!!!



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# **About Us**

About Flowers' Teapot

Flowers' Teapot is the inspiration of a dream. It began as a desire to learn to garden and have fresh vegetables while helping make ends meet. I spent many days in the Blount County, Tennessee library checking out gardening magazines, purchasing books at thrift stores, and searching the internet for gardening resources. I was also asking advice of gardening friends and relatives. My Uncle Walt would chuckle when he would see me because he knew I always had lots of gardening questions.

After a while, I realized that organic was the way I wanted to garden. My Dad would ask, "What are the egg shells for?" I proudly told him, "The protein and nitrogen in the shells will boost the compost to make fertilizer." He laughed but was soon asking me questions!

My vegetable gardens were doing well, so I planted some herbs. This is where my love of tea really turned a dream into reality! I began researching organic, herbal teas, their benefits, and what flavors blended well together such as wild blackberries and mint.

The teas blended at Flowers' Teapot are a combination of organically grown herbs, wild berries and certified USDA ORGANIC grown ingredients.

My goal with Flowers' Teapot is to share my organic, herbal teas and bring healthy living to my family, neighbors, friends, and you, my valued customer. I hope you'll try a cup.

It's tea time! Enjoy!

# Yolanda Flowers, Owner

Tea is a cup of life. ~Author Unknown

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# HISTORY OF HERBS China

- The oldest of the Chinese pharmacopeias, *Pents'ao (Herbal)*, is reputed to be work of the Emperor Shen-nung, a great cultural hero who is said to have lived from 3737-2697 B.C.
- Shen-nung is said to have compounded and self-tested hundreds of herbal preparation, aided by a transparent abdomen that enabled him to observe the workings of his internal organs. The freakish condition was undoubtedly a gift of legend, rather than nature. Recorded in the *Pen-ts'ao* are 365 medical preparations; all but 51 are herbal.
- The emperor who succeeded Shen-nung was also interested in medicine and prepared his own medical text. The book *Huang-ti Nei-ching (The Yellow Emperor's Classic of Internal Medicine)*.
- The authenticity of both these works is in question. The ancient Chinese had a propensity for attributing their writing to older sources in the hope of bolstering their value, and such as probably the case here.

From the third century B.C. to the seventh century A.D., Chinese medicine was highly influenced by the philosophy and example of Taoist sages who believed in preventing disease through moderation.

The Chinese used acupuncture, herbs, massage, diet, and gentle exercises to correct imbalances within the body.

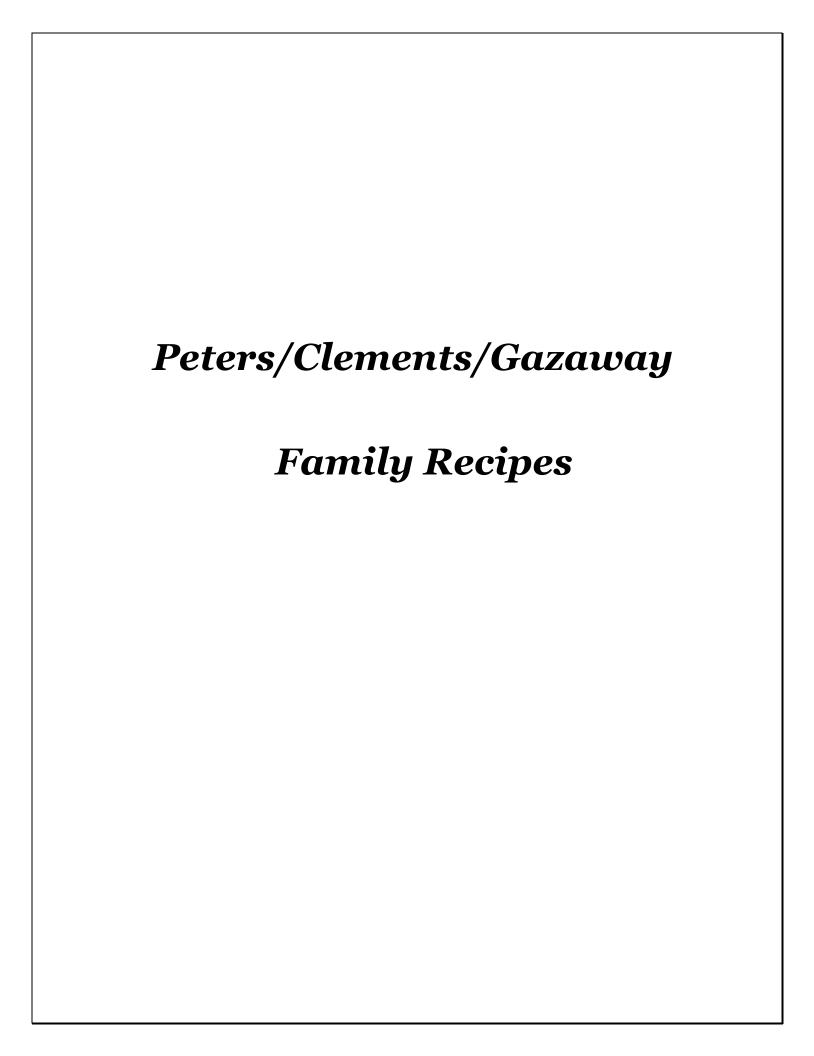


Ancient Chinese medicine has its origins in the theory that the human body possesses the capability to heal itself



Chinese medicine makes use of herbal combinations.





# Banana Pudding, Less than 10 ingredients



## Ingredients:

- 2 (14 oz.) cans Sweetened Condensed Milk
- 4 (5 oz.) or 3 (16 oz.) package Instant Banana or Vanilla Pudding Mix
- 3 (16 oz.) tub Cool Whip, thawed
- 3 (11 oz.) box Vanilla Wafers or any Shortbread Cookie
- 10-14 Bananas, peeled and sliced
- 2 (16 oz.) cans Crushed Pineapples, drain juice

## Directions:

Drain the pineapple juice, place sliced bananas in dish/bowl to slow down the aging of the bananas until ready to add into the pudding mixture.

In a large mixing bowl, add in pudding mix, condensed milk, cool whip and crushed pineapples with some of the pineapple juice until smooth.

Line the bottom of dish/bowl with vanilla wafers. Arrange sliced bananas evenly over wafers. Spread with pudding mixture on top. Repeat the same layer. Top with remaining whipped/topping. Chill until ready to serve.

\*\*\*Optional Only \* Decorations\*\*\*

Fresh fruit like blackberries/boysenberries or strawberries on top.

"A quick and easy banana pudding recipe - enjoy!"...By: **Terri Love** 

# OLD-FASHIONED TOMATO SOUP



## **Ingredients**

- 1 Tbsp. butter
- 1 onion, finely chopped
- 2 large garlic cloves, chopped
- 1 can (28-oz.) diced tomatoes
- 1 Tbsp. sugar
- 1 tsp. dried thyme
- 1/8 tsp. ground mace
- Pinch of cayenne pepper
- 1/2 cup fat-free evaporated milk
- Salt and freshly ground black pepper

## **Directions**

- Melt the butter in a small Dutch oven over medium-high heat. Sauté the onion until translucent, 4 minutes. Add the garlic and sauté until the onions are golden, 5 to 6 minutes.
- 2. Add the tomatoes with their juices, the sugar, thyme, mace and cayenne. Bring to a boil, cover, and simmer the soup until the tomatoes and onion are soft, about 15 minutes.
- 3. Let the soup sit 20 minutes, uncovered. Transfer it to a blender (or use an immersion blender) and reduce the mixture to a puree, either pulpy or completely smooth, as desired. Blend in the half-and-half. Season the soup to taste with salt and pepper.
- 4. Serve the soup hot, sprinkling one-fourth of the dill over each bowl, if using. Recipe Yield: 4 servings

## **NUTRITIONAL INFORMATION PER SERVING:**

Calories: 105 Fat: 3 grams Fiber: 0.5 grams Sodium: 586 milligrams Protein: 3 grams

Carbohydrates: 18 grams

## **DIABETIC EXCHANGES**

1 Reduced-Fat Milk, 1 Vegetable

Yawl, this is sooo good with a grilled cheese sandwich...Deborah

# **Strawberry Ripple Tea Cake**



# **Ingredients:**

1 10 ounce pkg. frozen, sweetened sliced strawberries or red raspberries, thawed.

1 tablespoon cornstarch

2 1/4 cups all-purpose flour

3/4 cup sugar

3/4 cup of margarine or butter

1/2 teaspoon baking powder

½ teaspoon baking soda

1/8 teaspoon salt

1 beaten egg

 $^{3}\!/_{4}$  cup buttermilk or sour milk

## **Directions:**

Grease and flour a 10 x 2inch round tart pan with a removable bottom or an 11x7x1 ½ inch baking pan; set aside. For filling, in a small saucepan stir together unstrained strawberries or raspberries and the cornstarch till well combined. Cook and stir till thickened and bubbly. Remove from heat. Sieve the mixture, discarding the seeds. Set filling aside to cool slightly.

In a large mixing bowl stir together flour and sugar. Using a pastry blender cut in margarine or butter till mixture resembles coarse crumbs. Stir ½ cup flour mixture aside for crumb topping. Into the remaining flour mixture, stir baking powder, baking soda and salt; mix well. Make a well in center of dry mixture.

In a small bowl, combine egg and buttermilk or sour milk. Add the egg mixture all at once to the dry mixture. Stir just till moistened.

Spread two-thirds of the batter over the bottom and about 1 inch up the sides of the prepared pan. Carefully spread the filling on top of the batter in pan. Spoon remaining batter, in small mounds, on top of the entire surface. Sprinkle with the crumb topping.

Bake in a 350 degree oven for 30-35 minutes or till a wooden toothpick inserted near center comes out clean. Cool in pan on a rack for 15 minutes. Remove coffee cake from tart pan (leave in baking pan). Cut into wedges or squares. Serve warm. Serves 8.

## **FLAVORED TEA RECIPES:**

These measurements are all for making a full quart of each of the flavors pictured above.

**Raspberry Tea**--Put tea bags or basket of leaf tea in the jar, add 1/2 cup raspberry preserves to the tea basket, fill jar with water.

**Cherry Vanilla Tea**--Pour 1 cup cherry juice into jar; add 1 teaspoon vanilla extract; add tea bags or basket of leaf tea; fill jar with water.

**NOTE:** My intention was to have these drinks have added flavors but still taste like tea. If you want them fruitier, increase the amounts of the fruit preserves or juices. If you like sweeter teas, increase the sweeteners. In other words, the above quantities are a starting point. Play around with these and find the combo that fits your tastes.

I hope you have fun trying these recipes or inventing your own. Please share with me the flavored tea combinations you conjure up. I'd love to hear your ideas and add your recipes to my list.

Make it a yummy day!

Yolanda Flowers, Owner of Flowers' Teapot Herbal Teas

Curtis and I would like to thank the Tennessee Committee for helping us to make this reunion a reunion to remember for years to come.

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Curtis and Yolanda Flowers, Sr.

Family, we've really had a blast!

We truly wish it could last

A little while longer...

As we gather year after year,

The ties that bind us get stronger and stronger.

We pray you have a safe journey home and may God bless you with smooth sailing until we meet again... the same time, next year!