

Walter Stewart Clan

2001 Newsletter

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Dear Stewart Descendants,

The Annual Reunion of the Walter Stewart Clan will be held during the weekend of August 11-12, 2001 at New Harmony Presbyterian Church in Fountain Inn, S.C. We hope you will join us for the family sharing and tour on Saturday and the traditional reunion meeting and picnic dinner on Sunday.

We will meet at the Fairview Presbyterian Church community building near Fountain Inn for our Saturday morning registration, for the afternoon tour, and for our catered supper Saturday night. The reunion business meeting will be at New Harmony Presbyterian Church on Sunday morning, with a picnic afterwards on the church grounds - or inside, in case of rain.

Vans will be provided for those who would like to go on the Saturday afternoon tour. This year we will go to nearby Clinton for lunch and a tour of Thornwell Home and School, which is owned and controlled by the Presbyterian Synods of South Carolina, Georgia and Florida. It is widely known for the cottage plan it pioneered, and its beautiful old campus of stone buildings, many trees, and landscaping with roses and azaleas.

Saturday night, we will gather for our family supper at the Fairview Presbyterian Church community building. This is a time of fellowship, renewing family ties, and sharing of family news and pictures. We are proud in this new millennium to have our Walter Stewart family website, thanks to webmistress Judy Lesslie and her helpers - LaMarr Brooks, Robert Hall, and my own young grandson and computer whiz Andrew McClure. Thanks to this group, and members of the family who have brought in their old pictures and records for scanning, we have greatly enhanced the family archives. We hope to continue the project at this and future reunions. Be sure to bring in your pictures, clippings and old letters for free on-the-spot scanning by our experts.

Our Sunday program at New Harmony Presbyterian Church features Mr. William P. Jacobs III, great-grandson of Dr. William P. Jacobs who was the founder of Thornwell Home and School in 1875. This should be especially interesting to those of us who plan to go on the Thornwell tour, and also to family members with ties to Thornwell. Mr. Jacobs is an author, artist, poet, and WWII veteran. He is also the editor of the "Laurens County Scrapbook," a widely read compilation of historical and genealogical data for the area. He and his brother Hugh Jacobs were longtime partners in the Jacobs Press in Clinton. We look forward to an interesting day with a true expert on Laurens County history.

The family historians ask that you continue to send in new births, marriages and deaths in your family. Please see the update sheets elsewhere in this newsletter for information on how to submit this data for your family.

I was unable to attend the Stewart reunion last year, due to a doctor's decision that I should be hospitalized for heart surgery. I am grateful to report much better health this year after the doctors finished their work.

We look forward to seeing you during Stewart reunion weekend to renew old ties and celebrate new ones. As it has for many decades, the goes out call still, bring a full picnic basket and join us!

Sincerely,

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2001 REUNION WEEKEND SCHEDULE

Saturday, August 11 – Fairview Presbyterian Church

10:00 am Registration and coffee, Fairview Church community building, Fountain Inn.

11:00 am Guided tour and box lunch - board vans at Fairview Church community building, return at 5:00 pm.
For reservations see order blank.

6:30 pm Catered supper, Fairview Church Community Building. For reservations see order blank.

8:00 pm Fellowship hour, Fairview Church Community Building. Bring family update sheets and old pictures.

Sunday, August 12 – New Harmony Presbyterian Church

10:00 am Registration begins, New Harmony Church
Tour of church cemetery

11:00 am Stewart Clan meeting

12:30 pm Picnic dinner on the church grounds - bring food to share

2001 REUNION ACTIVITIES

Saturday Registration. Saturday activities will be at the Fairview Church Community Building across the road from the church (see map, page 3). Join us there Saturday morning at 10:00 for coffee, registration, informal introductions, handing in family update sheets, etc.

Saturday Tour with Box Lunch. Tour vans will leave from the Fairview Church community building at 11:00 am on Saturday and return there by 5:00 pm. If you plan to go, your reservations must be mailed by August 1 (see order blank, p. 5). We will visit Thornwell School and Home in Clinton; box lunch in the dining room.

Saturday Night Supper. This will be an informal catered supper at the Fairview Church community building Saturday at 6:30 pm. Bring the whole family, and pictures and family news to share with all of us. Older family members especially welcome! A buffet supper will be served. If you plan to attend the supper, please have your reservations in by August 1 (see order blank, p. 5).

Stewart Clan Meeting. New Harmony Presbyterian Church at 11:00 am. Chief Charles Stewart will open the meeting and will ask for business reports and reports by houses. Speaker: Mr. William P. Jacobs, III on Thornwell School and Home, founded by his great-grandfather.

Sunday Picnic Dinner. 12:30 pm. No reservations necessary. There will be a goodwill offering to cover incidental reunion expenses. Bring picnic food to share with all. If you are coming from out of town, there are several restaurants and grocery delicatessens nearby where take-out items may be purchased. Ice tea and utensils will be provided.

Motels. If you need motel accommodations, we suggest you make reservations at one of the convenient wheelchair-friendly motels in the Fountain Inn area. All these motels are in Simpsonville at or near the intersection of I-385 and Fairview Road, which is about 10 miles from the Greenville-Spartanburg Airport (see map, p. 3).

Palmetto Inn (formerly Days Inn), intersection of I-385 and Fairview Road, Simpsonville. Cable TV, less than \$50. Phone: (864) 967-4500.

Comfort Inn intersection of I-385 and Fairview Road, Simpsonville. Cable TV, microwave and refrigerator, outdoor pool. \$50 and up. For reservations, call (800) 221-2222 (national reservations) or call the motel direct at (864) 963-2777.

Jameson Inn, 45 Ray E. Talley Ct., Simpsonville. Directions: From I-85 North or South: 385 South. Exit 27. Look for Taco Bell or KFC. Turn Left. Go through two red lights. Third red light near Baskin Robins turn left. You will see the Jameson Inn on your left. Cable TV, pool and fitness center. \$55 and up. Phone: (864) 963-7701 or call (800) JAMESON for national reservations.

Microtel Inn, 3706 Grandview Road, Simpsonville. Directions: From I-85, 385 South Exit 27 (Fairview Rd.) Turn right on Grandview Rd. (BP gas station) and all the way round and motel on left side. Cable TV, pool. \$40 and up. Phone: (864) 962-8484.

Holiday Inn Express, Fairview Road (I-385 Exit 27), Simpsonville. Cable TV, pool. \$55 and up. Phone: (864) 962-8500.

If necessary, try these motels. They are all about 20 miles from Simpsonville toward Columbia (see map).

Comfort Inn, I-385 Exit 52, ph. (864) 833-5558
 Days Inn, I-385 Exit 52, ph. (864) 833-6600
 Travelers Inn, I-385 Exit 52, ph. (864) 833-4400
 Ramada Inn, I-385 Exit 52, ph. (864) 833-4900

REPORT OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

The Chief of the Walter Stewart Clan is elected for life. Officers and house historians of the Walter Stewart Clan serve two-year terms. Officers and house historians are elected in alternate years.

The Nominating Committee submits these nominations for the 2001-2002 term. Elections will be held Sunday, Aug. 12, 2001 at the Walter Stewart Clan business meeting. Additional nominations will be accepted from the floor.

House of Samuel - Myra Dill Owens, Fountain Inn, SC
 House of John - Jack and Joyce W. Pendarvis, Simpsonville, SC
 House of Robert - Alan and Kathy L. Fields, Greensboro, NC
 House of James - David G. Jones, Austin, TX
 House of Walter, Jr. - Laurie S. Radford, Chapel Hill, NC
 House of Clark Berry - Larry E. Stewart, Kingsville, MD
 House of David Bobo - Clark H. Stewart, Walnut Springs, TX

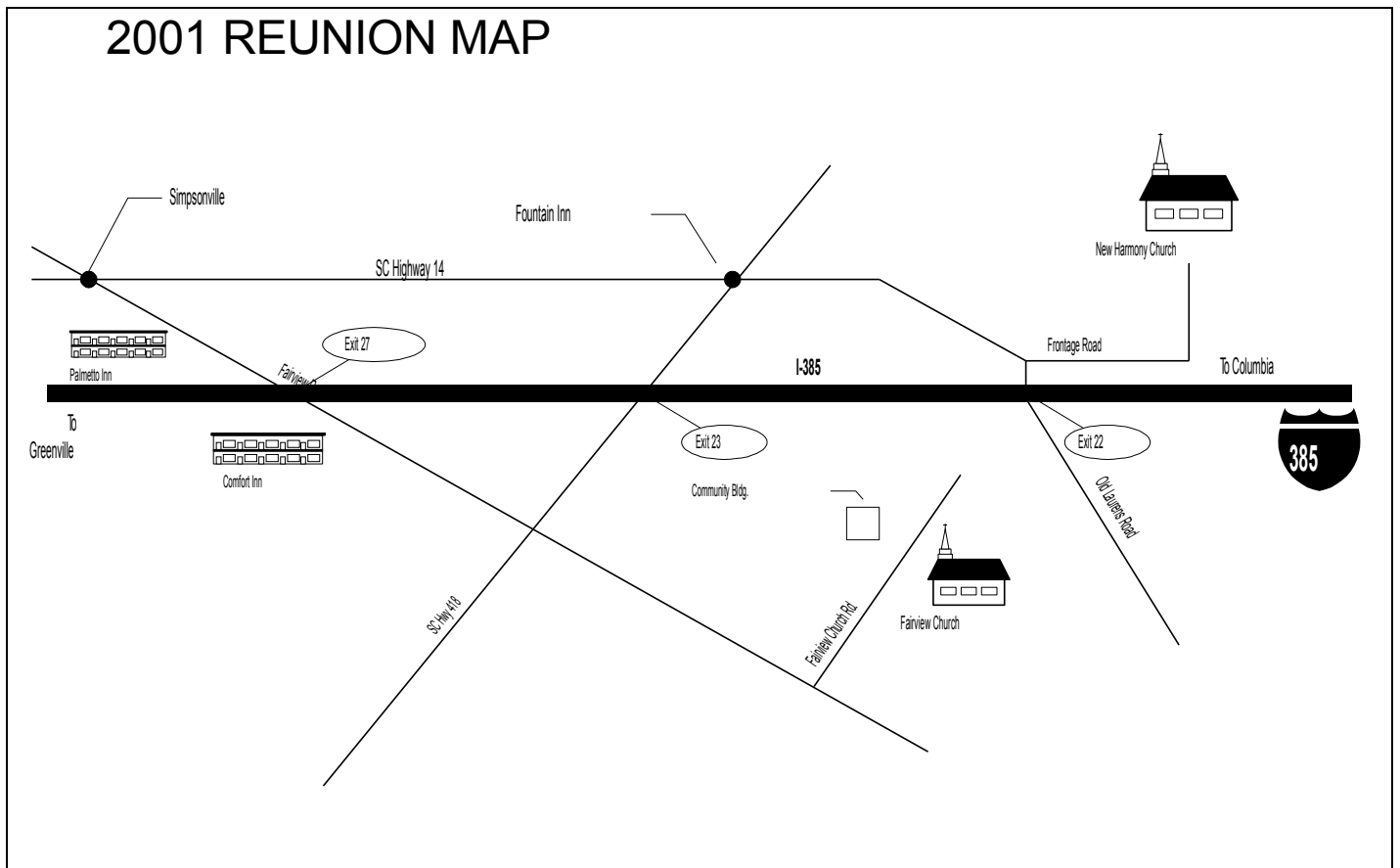
John T. Hellams, Nominating Committee.

NOTE FROM THE CHIEF HISTORIAN

Thornwell Home and School in Clinton has old ties with the Stewart family that makes it especially appropriate as our tour destination this year. 3821 Mary Rob Kagin of Louisville, KY suggested the tour after visiting Thornwell last year during its 125th anniversary celebration. Mary Rob's mother, Mary Thornwell, was from the Thornwell family prominent in Presbyterian history. Thornwell Orphanage, as it was originally called, was named for her grandfather. Another cousin, 322221 Margie Hudson Stewart of Asheville, NC lived at Thornwell as a child; her daughter, 3222211 Valerie Stewart Jones, now teaches there and was a great help in arranging our family visit this year. Another cousin who took a great interest in Thornwell was 38321 Wilton Stewart, Jr. of Fountain Inn, whose death is sadly reported in our Updates this year. Wilton and his wife Lucy were strong supporters of Thornwell. Stewart Cottage on the grounds is named in their honor.

John Dowdle, who also grew up at Thornwell and continued to work there until his retirement last year, will lead our tour. He and Valerie will join forces to give us an insider's view of Thornwell and share their memories of their home. We look forward to this happy occasion.

Mary S. Rawlinson, email maryr@sc.rr.com



The map above shows the Fountain Inn-Simpsonville area where the Stewart reunion will be held. Fairview Presbyterian Church community building is the center of Saturday activities this year. The Sunday reunion meeting will be held at New Harmony Presbyterian Church, with a picnic dinner afterwards on the grounds.

2000 Reunion Minutes

The 94th Annual Reunion of the Walter Stewart Clan was held the weekend of August 12th and 13th, 2000, at Fairview Presbyterian Church in Fountain Inn, SC. In the absence due to illness of Chief Charles B. Stewart, Robert Hall, his son-in-law, opened the Sunday business meeting with the Hymn "Faith of Our Fathers" accompanied by Martha Henderson.

Issue discussed: Restoration for the headstone and burial site of Katherine Hanna Hitch Stewart, the wife of Rev. Clark Berry Stewart recently bulldozed for a mobile home development in Laurens County. Request was made to add the meeting times with the Laurens County Sheriff Department to the Stewart Web Site. Katherine Hanna Hitch Stewart was a well-known Laurens County mid-wife.

Regular Business:

The minutes for the 1999 meeting were read by Secretary, LaMarr Brooks and approved.

Treasurer Douglas W. Stewart of Fountain Inn gave the financial report:

Balance from previous year:	\$1,050.59
Expenses from last year:	\$77.29
Collection from last year:	\$500.25
Balance for Aug. 13 th , 2000	\$1,473.55

Head count for each Walter Stewart House taken by Alan Fields, Registrar & Parliamentarian.

1.	Samuel	10
2.	John	6
3.	Robert	98
4.	James	0
5.	Walter Jr.	0
6.	Clark Berry	3
7.	David Bobo	0
	Visitors	3
	Total =	120

Alan Fields reported 33 in attendance for the Saturday tour to the Pickens County Museum and the Golden Creek Grist Mill tour given by Rev. Leroy Stewart of Easley, SC. There were 38 at the Saturday night catered supper in the Fairview Community Building.

The oldest in attendance was 3734 Mrs. Sarah Stewart Godfrey and youngest in attendance was Zachary Floyd. States represented were South Carolina, North Carolina, Georgia, Indiana, Texas, Kentucky, New Jersey, Virginia and Florida.

Dr. Carl E. Kramer gave a reading from "North Across the River," by Ruth Beaumont Cook, a Civil War historical dramatization based in part on the life of 42 Walter Washington Stewart of the Atlanta area and his daughter, 422 Synthia Catherine Stewart Boyd.

Chief Historian, Mary Rawlinson gave the reports for most of the Stewart houses. Judy Lesslie gave a website development report. The website was created nine months ago and contains the general history of the Stewart family and first four generations of the Walter Stewart line. Family updates and e-mail addresses can be added on the website. Pictures from previous reunions are posted on the website and some identification of individuals is requested.

The Walter Stewart Family book is now available on CD or floppy disks.

A surprise birthday party for 31772 Larry Joe Farrow organized by his daughter, Suzanne Farrow, was a part of the reunion this year.

Alan Fields gave the report from the nominating committee and elections were held for the offices: Chief Historian-Mary Rawlinson, Columbia, SC, Treasurer-Doug Stewart, Fountain Inn, SC and Secretary-LaMarr Brooks, Central, SC. Nominations were accepted by acclamation.

A motion was made and seconded to donate \$200.00 to the Fairview Church for the use of the building and grounds.

The meeting closed with a special thanks to the Saturday van drivers, John Hellams and his son Earle Hellams. The closing hymn was No. 286, "Blest Be the Tie That Binds."

Respectfully Submitted,
LaMarr Brooks, Secretary

WALTER STEWART FAMILY BIRTHS, MARRIAGES AND DEATHS Reported 2000-2001

- 1326126** **BRIAN KEITH COOK**, son of Margaret McGinnis and the late Edwin Westmoreland Cook of Fountain Inn, SC married Summer Anne Burdette 3-31-2001 in Duncan First Baptist Church, Duncan, SC.
- 152232** **DR. GEORGE WATSON SMITH**, 81 (husband of Dorothy Meadors Smith), of 1012 Parkins Mill Rd., Greenville, SC died 11-28-1999. Burial was in Woodlawn Memorial Park in Greenville.
- 15228** **EVELYN LONG GAINES**, 94 (wife of James Henry Gaines), of 212 Summit Dr., Greenville, SC, died 3-3-2000. Burial was in Woodlawn Memorial Park in Greenville.
- 24215** **THOMAS CUMMING STEWART**, 93 (husband of Katie Beauford Stewart), of 1916 Sam Rittenberg Blvd, Charleston, SC died 1-1-2000. A memorial service was held at Gateway Baptist Church in Irmo, SC.
- 24241** **MARTHA GRESHAM HOWARD**, 97 (wife of the late Andrew Price Howard), of 601 E. Curtis St., Simpsonville, SC died 12-05-2000. Burial was in Simpsonville City Cemetery.
- 242411** **ANDREW SWOFFORD HOWARD II**, 67 (husband of Betty Barton Howard), of 830 Wicklow Rd., Campobello, SC died 5-31-2000. A memorial service was held in the Chapel, First Presbyterian Church, Spartanburg on June 3, 2000.
- 24241221** **ANN MARIE WHITE**, born 6-14-98, and **24241222 William Mark White, Jr.** (Will), born 7-19-2000 in Pineville, NC to William Mark and Amelia Howard White of 952 Beverly Dr., Rock Hill, SC. Grandparents: Mr. & Mrs. Eddie Howard of Simpsonville, SC. Ggrandparents: Mr. & Mrs. Andrew Price Howard of Simpsonville.
- 242951** **CHARLES WILLIAM COLEMAN, JR.**, 50, of 222 Forest Lane, Belton, SC died 4-30-2000. Burial was in Garden of Memories, Belton.
- 252121** **ELEANOR CHEEK SHAVER**, 80 (wife of the late Jimmie E. Shaver) of 14 Northway Drive, Taylors, SC died 1-20-2001. Burial was in Woodlawn Memorial Park in Greenville.
- 25233** **HENRY ADAMS TAYLOR**, 86 (husband of the late Malinda Faye Woods Taylor), of Greenpond Road, Fountain Inn, SC, died 3-6-2001 at Summit Place Nursing Center. Burial was at Greenpond United Methodist Church, Gray Court.

- 26273** **JAMES WILLIAM JONES, SR**, 80 (husband of Thalia Batson Jones), of State Park Road in Travelers Rest, SC died 2-9-2001 at Oakmont Nursing Center in Greenville. Burial was in Reedy River Baptist Church Cemetery, Greenville.
- 26273** **THALIA BATSON JONES**, 79 (wife of the late James W. Jones), of State Park Road in Travelers Rest, SC died 2-14-2001 at Oakmont Nursing Center in Greenville. Burial was in Reedy River Baptist Church Cemetery, Greenville.
- 2.10.13111** **SARAH LEWERS HOGUE**, born 3-23-99 to Terrance W. and Maricia Peterson Hogue in Honolulu, HI. Grandparents: Mr. & Mrs. Guy Hogue. Ggrandparents: the late Guy and Jeffie Belle McKinney Hogue.
- 2.10.13121** **BRIELLE DELORES HOGUE**, born 11-25-99 in Honolulu to John A. and Cynthia Ann Onerheim Hogue. Grandparents: Mr. & Mrs. Guy Hogue. Ggrandparents: the late Guy and Jeffie Belle McKinney Hogue.
- 317143** **JUDITH MARY LESSLIE** of Mt. Pleasant, SC, daughter of Dr. Mary S. Rawlinson of Columbia, SC and the late Gordon F. Lesslie, married Russell Irving Smith, Jr. on 6-09-01 in All Saints Lutheran Church, Mount Pleasant.
- 3222721** **BRUCE STEWART RIEBEL, JR. (Buddy)**, son of Bruce S., Sr. and Jacquelin Adams Riebel of Bethel Park, PA married Traci Aileen Caroway on 6-24-2000.
- 32227222** **MASON BRITTANY BELL**, born 04-09-2000 to Louis A. and Jessica Riebel Bell of Washington, PA. Grandparents: Bruce S. and Jacquelin A. Riebel of Venetia, PA. Ggrandparents: the late Albert H. Riebel and Helen Stewart Riebel of Oakland, MD.
- 382122** **JULIA KRISTINE METZLER**, daughter of Roberta Stewart Kagin and Charles L. Metzler, married Kevin Harold Mensing 6-30-2000 in Fort Snelling Memorial Chapel, Fort Snelling, MN.
- 3831** **MABEL STEWART BOYTER**, 95 (wife of the late Haskell L. Boyter), of 3747 Peachtree Road NE in Atlanta, died 8-13-2000. Burial was at the Westview Mausoleum, Atlanta.
- 38321** **JAMES WILTON STEWART, JR.** (husband of Lucy Reid Stewart), of 103 Woodvale Ave. in Fountain Inn, SC died 6-2-2001. Burial was at Cannon Memorial Park, Fountain Inn.
- 3.13.212** **DAVID DUPREE STODDARD**, 83 (husband of Maudie Johnson Stoddard), of No. 2 13th Street, Greer, SC died 11-26-2000 at Spartanburg Regional Medical Center. Burial was in Wood Memorial Park, Greer.
- 4239231** **JONATHAN DAVID CASHION**, son of June E. St. John and Edward Kendall Cashion, married 1-2-99 to Rose Martinez.
- 4291** **CLARICE STEWART SKENE**, 84 (wife of the late Clyde Skene), of 12 Chateau Dr., Rome, GA died 1-5-2000. Burial was in Resthaven Memorial Gardens, Decatur, GA.
- 62333** **COL. BAGWELL "JACK" McDANNALD**, U.S. Army, Ret., 57 (husband of Mary Garrett "Molly" McDannald), of 4161 Hwy. 418 East, Fountain Inn, SC, died 10-17-2000 at Greenville Memorial Medical Center. Burial with military honors was in Fairview Presbyterian Church Cemetery, Fountain Inn.
- 6415** **MARY FRANCES STEWART INABNIT**, 75 (wife of Frank Houser Inabnit, Jr.), of 202 Hunter Avenue in Clemson, SC died 4-6-2001 at her residence. Burial was in Limestone United Methodist Church Cemetery in Wolfton, SC near Orangeburg.
- 6431** **EDWIN LEWERS STEWART, MD**, 74 (husband of Caroline Babb Stewart), of Clearwater, FL died 4-2-2001 at Morton Plant Hospital, Clearwater. A memorial service was held at Moss-Feaster Funeral Homes and Cremation Services, Clearwater.
- 6562** **MIRIAM STEWART MURRAY**, 76 (wife of W. Mouzon "Monk" Murray, Jr.), of 112 Partridge Circle, Summerville, SC died 11-12-2000 at Summerville Medical Center. Burial was in Summerville Cemetery, Summerville.

RESERVATIONS AND SUBSCRIPTIONS

Return to: Mary S. Rawlinson, 6336 Briarwood Road, Columbia, S.C. 29206 no later than August 1, 2001 for reservations. Checks payable to Walter Stewart Family.

Please continue sending me the Stewart family newsletter at \$2.00 per year for ___ years	\$ _____
Reserve _____ places for the tour with box lunch on Sat., August 11 at \$12.00 per person	\$ _____
Reserve _____ places for the catered supper, Sat., Aug 11 at 6:30 pm. at \$7.00 per adult	\$ _____
Reserve _____ places for children under 12 at \$3.50 per child	\$ _____
Send _____ copy(s) of the Walter Stewart Family History book at \$28.00 (postage included)	\$ _____
Send _____ copy(s) of same, CD-Rom at \$35 per copy (postage included)	\$ _____
Total enclosed	\$ _____

Your name, mailing address and home phone number:

Your email address: _____

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Walter Stewart Family Update Form

Please help us keep the records up to date on your family! Use back of sheet or extra pages if necessary. Bring this information with you to the Stewart Reunion, give it to your House Historian, or mail to the Chief Historian: Mary S. Rawlinson, 6336 Briarwood Rd., Columbia, SC 29206 ph. 803-782-1464, email maryr@sc.rr.com. A small donation to defray the cost of keeping the family records is appreciated.

BIRTHS This is child #_____ in this family.

Child's Stewart code (if known) and full name:

Date and place of birth:

Father's full name and occupation:

Mother's full name and occupation:

Family mailing address:

MARRIAGES

Descendant's Stewart code (if known) and full name:

Date and place of marriage:

Spouse's full name:

Spouse's date of birth:

Spouse's parents and place of residence:

Descendant's parents and their mailing address:

DEATHS Please enclose a copy of the newspaper obituary if available.

Stewart code (if known) and full name:

Date of death:

Place of burial (name of cemetery and city):

Occupation (before retirement):

Last address:

Name of spouse:

Your name and address:

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