

**The
Descendants
Of
JULIUS BROWN GAY**



**A Collection of Articles About the Man and His Family
Who Helped Transform Montgomery, Alabama**

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This document is a first attempt to document the history and lineage of Julius Brown Gay. It is by no means complete but is a good starting point to see the relationships and history of a most remarkable Montgomery family.

The information provided is mainly from contemporary newspaper articles. Actual government documents (Census report, Marriage and death certificates, etc.) are not included but are available online.

I am a great, great, grandson of Julius Brown Gay and have wondered about my relationship and stories of my relatives.

The newspaper article cited as transcribed as written. As is common, sometimes they get some of the facts wrong. In sourcing out these articles, I have found them to be remarkably accurate.

I have also attached copies of Mr. Gay's Bible pages at the end in the Appendix.

Each individual has a unique number beginning with Julius as "1", his seven children will begin as 2, 3, 4 and so on.

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PART ONE

IN THE BEGINNING

Immigrant Ancestor James Gay

Dictionary of North Carolina Biography: Vol. 2, D-G,



Gay, James (20 Mar 1744 - 4 Feb 1819), farmer, soldier, and poet, was born in Ulster, Ireland, of Devon forebears. In lieu of a formal education, he avidly read history and the Scottish poems of Allan Ram-say. At age sixteen he was apprenticed to a carpenter at Bangor; three years later helped his trade in Scotland where his family had moved. In 1765, Gay immigrated to Pennsylvania. He married Margaret Mitchell in 1768, and became the father of a son. In 1771, seeking land, he settled in the Oak Forest community on Fourth Creek in Rowan (later Iredell) County, N.C. During the American Revolution he served in the patriot forces. A highly moral man, he donated the site for a church (subsequently called Gay's Chapel) in 1788. At the turn of the century, he owned more than 1,500 acres in Iredell County.

Gay's first poem, written in 1805 at the age of sixty-one, was delivered at a Fourth of July celebration

in Statesville. Annually thereafter, he prepared patriotic verses for the occasion.

His *Collection* (1810), supported by 71 subscribers pledged to purchase 235 copies, contained his Fourth of July toasts, a number of poems expressing his Federalist bias, and a nine-page "poetic sketch of his life," some of it in Scottish dialect. Gay's *Collection* is the first

substantial book of poetry written by a resident North Carolinian. He had two sons and two daughters, and to each of his sons he gave a farm and half his books and pamphlets. His wife died in 1796.

SEE: James Gay, *A collection of Various Pieces of Poetry, Chiefly Patriotic, Published at the Earnest Request of a Number of Good Citizens for the Improvement of Patriotic Minds* (1810); William H. Gay, *A Story of the Gay Family* (1920); Statesville Record & Landmark, 7 Apr. 1962

Statesville Record and Landmark 7 April 8, 1962 Sat. page 2

James Gay's July 4th Recitation in Statesville, Basis for Works
By homer Kever

The first book of poetry published in North Carolina came out of Iredell county. At least that is the opinion of Richard Weiser of State College, authority on North Carolina writers, who plans to issue a facsimile edition in the near future. And if Dick Weiser has not found an earlier one, it would be like looking for a needle in a haystack.

The basis of the small volume is a series of poems written by James Gay primarily for recitation at Fourth of July celebrations in Statesville between 1805 and 1809. Included with those are other poems of the same nature called forth by Gay's reaction to some of the aspects of the political situation of the day, and a large part of the book is a dialogue in iambic pentameter between Gay and a neighbor in which he tells the story of his life.

The frontispiece to the volume reads: *"A collection of various pieces of poetry, chiefly patriotic, published at the earnest request of a number of good citizens for the improvement of patriotic minds. By James Gay of Iredell County, North Carolina, Raleigh, printed by William Boyes, 1810."*

The earnest request for publication was backed up by more than 70 individuals who subscribed for nearly 250 copies. The list of subscribers includes men from Statesville and Iredell and nearby Salisbury and a few from other sections - including two who later became governors of North Carolina - Hutchinson G. Burton and Montford Stokes.

The introduction to each of the poems give some little light on the Iredell of the first of the 19th century. The first says: *"The author of the following miscellaneous work was never known or at least noticed in public, until the Fourth of July in 1805, when at a barbecue of public nature. On that day in Statesville, after reading of the public toasts of the day, he was requested by some of the leading characters then present to give a volunteer toast."*

The toast that he gave led the barbecue committee to plan for him to prepare a piece of poetry for 1806. In 1807 "their having a difference of opinion in Statesville about conducting the business of the day among some of the leading men, which put an end to the public barbecue." Gay wrote a poem anyway. One of the verses read:

*"Oh poor Iredell where art thou sunk
 That in my esteem ran so high;
 We're either simple, mad or drunk,
 Or some dissolution's night."*

For next year, in 1808, Gay showed his Federalist sympathies twice in poems aimed at the Embargo Act, by which Jefferson sought to protect American shipping by not allowing ships to leave port. The Fourth of July was celebrated by an address by Reverend James McRae, but Gay wrote a poem which he showed to his friends.

Then in 1809 most of the Fourth of July celebration was given over to his poetry. Captain James Hart read one of the poems to his wife and she in turn read another to him. Then Gay presented a poem to Iredell's Light-Horsemen to be sung by Captain Hart, to the tune of *"What would a young woman do with an old man?"* He also produced a poem for Captain Hart's response. When the subscription list was made up, James Hart's name led all the rest, with an order for 10 copies.

While the first introduction to his poetry said James Gay had not been known, or at least noticed in public, he was no newcomer to the county. He moved to Iredell from the Pennsylvania frontier with his wife and one son in 1771 and settled on the waters of the Fourth Creek, some 10 miles east of Fourth Creek Meeting House - between the creek and the present new Salem Methodist Church and Gay's Chapel Baptist Church.

He himself recounts the story of his life from his birth in Ireland, March 30, 1744, through his indenture days and coming to Pennsylvania to his settlement in Iredell and his participation in the revolution.

He may not have been known before his toast in 1805, but at least he had gained another son in 1880, possibly as early as 1788. There is some uncertainty as to just when, because the original deed was not registered and was burned before 1800. John Gay, to whom the land around the church had been given, made a good deed early in 1802. It is registered.

The movement for a church and the community came from the William, and a son-in-law, John B. Mays, A daughter, Rachel, and had amassed quite a bit of wealth. He listed for taxes in 1800 a total of 1,573 acres of land, a store – one of five or six, in Iredell - and a stillhouse, one of 43 so listed. Listed. John Gay listed 443 acres of land, much of it a gift from his father.

James Gay has descendants in Iredell, all with the other surnames than gay, but his name has lasted on in Iredell's Gay's Chapel Baptist Church near Oak Forest. That church is built on the site of Union and New Union churches.

The land for Union Church is said to have been given by James Gay sometime before the Presbyterians, and the spot that was about equidistant between Bethany and Third Creek churches and about the same distance from the Fourth Creek church. But at least by 1802 it was a union church, and Methodists and Baptists were both in on the making of the deed, either as trustees or witnesses. And a Seced [Grab your reader's attention with a great quote from the document or use this space to emphasize a key point. To place this text box anywhere on the page, just drag it.] er minister is said to have preached there in the early 1800s.

Tradition is insistent that the movement for a church in the community came because the muster grounds, racetrack and grog-shop nearby had given the place such a name for drinking and gambling and rowdiness in general that it was called "Rowdytown" or "Scuffletown."

A man was killed at the grog shop, and on the racetrack a horse flew off the track, struck the rider's head against a tree and killed him. Tradition does not say whether or not the grog-shop was the same as the store of James gay.

In 1832 after the land had reverted to the Gays because of disuse, Franklin Gay, son of John Gay, made a deed for the same land to establish a new Union Church - he spelled it New Yunion, for the use of Baptists Methodists and Presbyterians. In 1849 the Presbyterians, who had organized into Fifth Creek church a few years earlier, withdrew to two miles east. In 1870 to the Methodist withdrew across the branch and organized New Salem. The Baptists, after a period of inactivity, organized the present Gay Chapel on the old site in 1885.

James gay died February 4, 1819. In his will he distributed his land and possessions between his sons. It is interesting that he took special care to provide for passing down his pamphlet and small books. So, to, did his son, John Gay.

In the poem of his life James Gay gave his love of reading back to his first apprentice days in Ireland. And it is likely no accident that the church he gave the land for was also used as Brown's schoolhouse.

(DAR LISTING) GAY, JAMES Ancestor #: A043715 Notice: Service: NORTH CAROLINA Rank(s): SERGEANT Birth: 3-20-1744 ULSTER IRELAND Death: 2- -1819 IREDELL CO NORTH CAROLINA Service Source: CLARK, STATE RECS OF NC, VOL 16, P 1069; NC REV WAR PAY VOUCHERS, #4730, ROLL #S.115.89 Service Description: 1) 10TH REGT, BREVARD'S CO.

(Ed. Note: Much of James Gay's volume of poetry consists of dialogue between him and a Scotch neighbor by the name of John asking the questions and James Gay telling the story of his life. The following excerpts tell part of the story.)

Dialogue With Scotch John

By JAMES GAY

Then know ye, friend, that my first place of birth
Was in the eastern quarter of the earth,
In old Hibernia my first breath drawn.
That fine country witnessed my first dawn
Of childhood, and to sixteen years of age,
A farmer's practice I did soon engage,
With father—ploughing, sowing, reaping—
And many dangers in that time escaping;
Still my desire was for a seafaring life,
That sometimes caused discontent and strife.
My father said to sea I must not go,
Or it would give his heart great woe,
But on the land take any trade I pleas'd
And he would find his mind completely eased;
So to a carpenter I soon was bound,
Robert Adair that liv'd in Bangore Town.
At sixteen years of age I went
And wrought with plains and saws as I was sent.

My Master loved the tavern that is true,
That soon brought him to want and poverty;
His purse got empty and his throat got dry,
Children and 'prentices got scarce of bread,
And he to save from jail away soon fled
To Isle of Man, where refuge could be had
For bankrupt man and many that were bad.
I for myself have little for to say,
Wild youth I was like many in our day,
But while 'prentice was with old Adair,
My father who for me would had great care
Had moved from Ireland to the land of Scots.

In reading history I took great delight,
And Allen Ramsey's poems, both day and night.
By doing so I did help my thoughts some faster,
But of my trade I was not yet a master;
Nor had I means to buy tools for my trade,
And for to run in debt was much afraid—
Therefore to Scotland I resolv'd to go
To see my father and of him to know
What I had best to do to make a living.

To Scotland I did pass in weather fair,
Took living in a town call'd Strantown;
My father there I found, but he did say
I must not seafaring go away,
But to my trade must keep with diligence
And it would give me still a competence.

In Scotland near two years I earn'd my bread,
Then back to Ireland went, my luck to try,
Having improved my trade considerably,
Sometime I there did work, but time had gone
Till I was now the age of twenty-one;
A free man found myself, so then thought I
It's time to go a sailor's life to try;
But first I'll take my passage across the waves,
And then I'll see how the sailors behave;
And if I like it I can have my will,
But yet some tools I will take with me still;
And if a sailor's life do not quite please me
I have my trade to fly to to ease me.

In May seventeen hundred and sixty five,
From Belfast lough we sail'd, bound to arrive
At Philadelphia, near Delaware River,
With good captain and shipmates that were clever.
But so it was though I was scarce of grace
My fathers words still star'd me in the face,
Therefore with sailors I could not live freely
For fear my heart would grow hardn'd and steely:
So landed at New Castle, poor indeed,
And travell'd back through Lancaster with speed,
To back woods as it was call'd that time,
To Paxton lands where waters spring from lime.
I there good people found sober and clever,
I therefore could have wished to live there ever
And for to crown the blessing of my life,
I there got married to a loving wife.

Tho' poor, we lived in sweet content,
Yet for a house I must pay dear rent:
After some time a son to me was born,
I own'd no lands to raise me wheat or corn;
I therefore found that I must try and go
Get some land where on our bread might grow;
To Carolina lands my course I bent,
And since I've got here I am now content
To spend my days in Iredell County here,
And live in peace without much dread or fear.

In Carolina I did make my stand
On lands that's now call'd Iredell County here,
A land that to my feelings now are dear.
Soon after, war with England did break out,
And for my country's help I soon turn'd out;
In open camps, in my places lay
And felt the frost by night and heat by day;
In several battles I have stood my fate,
And never flinched my post, early or late.
Now an old war-worn veteran I appear,
My age is now become sixty-five year.
Though much I've done for our good nation's glory,
Some upstarts here pretend to call me Tory
Because I do espouse the Federal cause,
Still true to Constitution and all laws
Of our good country, wherein I now live.

Now, neighbor John, this is the reason why
I draw my pen, some scribbling for to try
To see if I can shew these men some reason
That my ideas are quite free from treason.
Whether I write in prose or rhyme;
Or if I talk in public or private,
In honest peace, to those that will receive it,
This my desire is, while I have my senses,
This poor old constable has no pretenses
To honor, high life, or exalted station,
But trusty servant to his land and nation.
For poor old James will not a quarrel pick-up
With critics that have got spleen or hickup
Or long breath'd stories or Syntax and Grammar.
I will not try such forgings out to hammer,
But only plain truths to help honest thinking
When folks are met in social talk or drinking.

John Gay

Son of James Gay and Margaret Mitchell

JOHN GAY

BIRTH 20 MAR 1770 • Paxton, Lancaster, Pennsylvania, USA

DEATH 26 SEP 1844 • Iredell County, North Carolina

Married: 09 Dec 1793 • Rutherford County, North Carolina, USA

ELIZABETH WATSON

1773-1861

BIRTH 15 MAR 1773 • York County, Pennsylvania, United States of America



DEATH 19 JUNE 1861 • Iredell County, North Carolina

Elizabeth Watson was the daughter of Major Patrick Watson

DAR - WATSON, PATRICK Ancestor #: A122634 Service: NORTH CAROLINA Rank(s): MAJOR Birth: CIRCA 1751 PENNSYLVANIA Death: POST 11-20-1809 RUTHERFORD CO NORTH CAROLINA Service Source: NCDAR, ROSTER OF SOLS FROM NC IN THE AM REV, P 363; CLARK, STATE RECS OF NC, VOL 17, P 734 Service Description: 1) 2ND MAJ, COL PORTER, RUTHERFORD CO; ALSO CAPT, SALISBURY DIST

The Watson Family of Rutherford Co. NC is noted for the three brothers who served in the Revolutionary War and saw action at or near the Battle of Kings Mountain on 7 Oct 1780.

There were actually four brothers who made their homes in Rutherford Co. before the opening of the Revolution - Patrick* , John* , William* and George*. According the Revolutionary War Pension file of William Watson, the mother of the four Watson brothers moved from Pennsylvania and settled in Tryon Co. NC in 1777. She may have been the Elizabeth Watson listed in the 1790 Rutherford Co. census.



1) Patrick Watson - The best known of the brothers was Patrick Watson, who served as a Major in the local militia and commanded the footmen in the rear of the Battle of Kings Mountain. Patrick Watson b. York Co. PA on 30 Nov 1751. He purchased 250 acres of land in Tryon Co. NC on 24 Dec 1778 and was married to Ann ????. [Patrick Watson d. 16 Dec 1809; bu. Brittain Presbyterian Cem., Rutherford Co. NC.] Five known children. 11) Sarah Watson 12) Ann Watson 13) **Elizabeth Watson** 14) Hugh Watson (b. cir 1784, d. 1857). 15) Daniel Watson (b. 1784, d. 1837).

Hiram Gay

Son of John Gay and Elizabeth Watson

HIRAM WATSON GAY

BIRTH 16 SEP 1794 • Iredell County, North Carolina, USA

EATH 19 JUN 1832 • Rowan County, North Carolina

Married: 1805, North Carolina

MARTHA "Patsy" MAYS

1798-1887

BIRTH 2 MAR 1798 • Amherst, Amherst, Virginia, USA

DEATH 26 MAY 1887 • Montgomery, Montgomery, Alabama, USA

Martha was the daughter of Benjamin Mays and Susannah "Sooky" Brown. He was a patriot during the American Revolution.

(DAR RECORD) MAYS, BENJAMIN Ancestor #: A076288 Service: VIRGINIA Rank(s): PRIVATE Birth: 9-10-1757 STAFFORD CO VIRGINIA Death: 5-25-1835 IREDELL CO NORTH CAROLINA Pension Number: *S7054 Service Source: *S7054 Service Description: 1) CAPTS BELLINGER, HIGGINBOTHAM, WOODRUFF, COL GAINES

Not much is known about Hiram. He died young at the age of 38 in North Carolina. After his death, his wife Patsy and five of the children are found in Randolph County, Alabama as per the 1850 census records. She died in 1887 at the age of 96 and is buried in Oakwood Cemetery, Montgomery, Alabama. She shares a grave marker (slab) with her granddaughter, Minnie Lee Gay.

This is odd.... Did Martha Patsy Mays Gay remarry to a Mr. Smith? The address is that of Julius Brown Gay, her son.

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FUNERAL NOTICE

The friends and relations of J.B. Gay and family are invited to attend the funeral of his mother Mrs. Martha Smith, from his residence No. 428 South McDonough Street, this Friday at 11:00 o'clock a.m.

PART TWO

Descendants of JULIUS BROWN GAY

Generation 1

1. **JULIUS BROWN GAY** was born Sep 05 1830 in Iredell County, North Carolina and died Dec 31 1887 in Los Angeles, California. He married **FRANCES JEANETTE WRIGHT** Oct 11 1860 in Montgomery County, Alabama. She was born Jan 24 1843 in Chambers County, Alabama and died Aug 05 1883 in Montgomery, Alabama, daughter of **DAVID FULTON WRIGHT** and **JEANETTE GOSS**. He married **MARY ELLEN CAMPBELL** BEF Feb 17 1885 in Montgomery, Alabama, USA. She was born Nov 1848 in Mississippi, USA and died 1937 in Montgomery, Montgomery, Alabama, USA.

Source: Genealogies of the Clark, Parks, Brockman and Dean, Davis and Goss Families. Henry William Clark, 1905, page 34-35



Julius Brown Gay was a son of Hiram Gay of Iredell County, North Carolina. His ancestors came to America from Ireland about 1715. He was born in Iredell County and came to Alabama, via Georgia, when about eleven years old, with his mother and sisters and settled in Randolph County. He received only a limited common school education, and started in the world as a poor boy, taking service at any honorable employment, and at the time of his marriage was a sales clerk in a large grocery store in Montgomery. He very soon engaged in business on his own account, beginning in a small way in the retail grocery business. He was a successful merchant, did business for a while in Talladega, Alabama, and after the war engaged in business in the city of Montgomery, wholesale grocery, and accumulated a handsome fortune. He and his wife were members of the First Baptist Church, Montgomery. Mrs. Gay died in June 1883.



Frances Jeanette Wright was born in Chambers County, Alabama on January 24, 1843, was educated in the common schools, and married Julius Brown Gay, at the residence of her parents in Montgomery County, October 11, 1860.

In 1885, Julius married Ellen Jones of Montgomery, a refined Christian lady, member of the Baptist Church of a prominent family. Mr. Gay died at Los Angeles, California of Chronic bronchitis.

The Montgomery Advertiser 31 Mar 1957 Sun page 11

LINN, HENLEY GAY FAMILIES IN ALABAMA

By C.M. Stanley, Editor-in-Chief, The Alabama Journal

The recent death of Charles Linn Gay Jr., in Birmingham recalls a sentimental link of the old days between two Montgomery families.

One of the most dynamic developers in the history of Montgomery and Birmingham was Charles Linn, a seafaring man born in Sweden in 1814 who came to Montgomery in 1840 and then moved on to Birmingham to help build the new city based on iron and coal.

While in Montgomery Mr. Linn induced Julius B. Gay to move from LaGrange, Ga., to Montgomery. The tie between the two men was close and the first son of the Georgia newcomer was named after his friend and became Charles Linn Gay. Mr. Julius Gay was the founder of a family that has been distinguished in Montgomery's history.

The children of Julius B. Gay, all of whom are now deceased were:

Charles Linn Gay

John Floyd Gay

Rev. William David Gay

Frances Jeanette Gay, who married Dr. Olin Kirkland

Minnie Gay, who married Dr. Percy Malcolm of New York

The children of Charles Linn Gay Sr. are:

Charles Linn Gay Jr., who died recently in Birmingham

Bradford Hardy Gay

Benjamin S. Gay

Ida belle Gay, who married Sterling Carrington of Illinois

The tie between the descendants of Julius B. Gay and Charles Linn has been very close through the years though there is no actual blood relationship between the families.

Mr. Linn after going to Birmingham founded the First National bank of that city and was the bank's first president. His daughter, Annie Linn married John Charles Henley, who was originally from Montgomery and became vice president of the First National of Birmingham while his father-in-law was president. His father, Robert H. Henley, was the first mayor of Birmingham.

Charles Linn Gay, the namesake of the Birmingham banker, was very prominent in Montgomery's business life about the turn of the century. He had a prosperous wholesale business formerly occupied the corner upon which the Gay and Teague families built the Gay-Teague hotel.

Mr. Gay later went into the wholesale drug business and the firm name became Gay, Hardy, and Durr. Later the Gays disposed of their interest in the wholesale drug business to John W. Durr and William K. Pelzer and its name was changed to Durr Drug company.

A family as large and well known as the Gays or the Linns or the Henleys can usually turn up a great many interesting stories.

When Charles Linn built the three-story First National Bank building in Birmingham on the corner where the Brown-Marx skyscraper stands today it was written up in the papers as being "a costly and elaborate brick building fully three stories high that overshadowed everything in sight." It was immediately given the name "Linn's Folly" and was thus known for several years. Mr. Linn was considered overconfident in building such a structure in the young town, but it turned out that his confidence in the future of the new city was thoroughly justified.

Mr. Linn's original name in Sweden was Karl Sjordahl, but in Alabama, he petitioned to "adopt a name that could be more easily pronounced.": So Karl became Charles and because so many Swedish names begin with "Lin" he merely added an "n" and became Charles Linn. Mr. Henley says that "this name is now borne by many and many of Mr. Linn's posterity who are happy to bear his name.

It is a coincidence that Charles Linn lured Julius B. Gay to Montgomery from LaGrange, Georgia and that another Montgomery man, Col. James B. Powell, who had gone to help build the promising town in Jefferson County, lured Mr. Linn to Birmingham by his persuasive and

glowing arguments about the future city. Powell and Linn went to Birmingham and prospered but Julius Gay stayed in Montgomery and also prospered.

One of the results of the long connection between the Linn, Henley, and Gay families is the close personal friendship between the Gays of today and Walter E. Henley, who for many years was president and then chairman of Birmingham Trust National Bank. Mr. Henley has expressed the hope that there will always be a Charles Linn Gay in the family. Thus far there have been three bearing his name, Charles Linn Gay Sr., was the first. Charles Linn Gay Jr. is the one who recently died, and Charles Linn Gay III is at present living in Mobile. Charles Linn Jr. also leaves a son Gary S. Gay in the Army, and a daughter Elizabeth.

At the time of the recent death of the family, Benjamin S. Gay wrote to Mr. Henley, who had written and expressed the wish that there would always be a Charles Linn Gay, that the original Charles Linn may not have been a blood relative, but that he had certainly been a patron saint for the family.

From a Montgomery Advertiser 1882 Newspaper clipping - from the family records of Mr. E. E. Henley of Birmingham.

An old citizen informs us that the late Charles Linn of Birmingham located in Montgomery in 1836. For twelve years previous he had followed the seas as a sailor. His first job here was the making of a large awning for the Montgomery Hall which was placed on the side fronting Market Street, in lieu of a veranda, to shield from rain and the rays of the sun. Mr. Linn then opened a small store on Market Street (north side), near the corner of McDonough Street, in the frame building afterward so long known as the Wadsworth House. Our informant says that one of Mr. L.'s signs impressed him deeply, namely: "No Liquor Sold Here." Mr. Linn subsequently moved downtown and became very successful in his business affairs attaining a high position among our grocers. Our city was indebted to him for her first steam fire engine which he purchased in New Orleans and presented to our fire department.

Our Mountain Home (Talladega, Alabama) 28 Nov 1883 Wed page 2

A number of gentlemen, capitalists, and bankers, among whom may be mentioned Messrs. John T. Hardie and Joseph A. Shakespeare of New Orleans, Julius B. Gay of Montgomery, Gen. Edmond W. Rucker and James Spence of Birmingham, and Col. J.M. Lewis of Talladega, Ala., after several meetings held within the past few days in this city, have entered into an agreement to found a bank at Birmingham, Ala. The new bank will be established with a paid-up capital of \$200,000, and authorized capital of \$500,000, and will begin business as soon as the bank building, now in process of construction, is completed - not later than the 1st of March next - *Times Democrat*

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Commercial "Evangelists" and Others No Longer Dread to Stop Over In Montgomery as of Yore
By *Claudia Moritz*

One block from the "White House of the Confederacy" that building which once stood for the pride and glory of the "Old South" but which now is only a tumble down frame house, overrun with weeds and the pray of mischievous boys, there stands on the corner of Commerce and Bibb Street, one of Montgomery's proudest recent acquisitions--The Gay-Teague Hotel known as the 'Commercial Travelers' Home."

The First White House of the Confederacy was the Executive Residence of President Jefferson Davis and family while the capitol of the Confederacy was in Montgomery, Alabama. The house served as the first White House of the Confederacy from February 1861 until late May 1861, when the Confederate capital moved to Richmond, Virginia. Completely furnished with original period pieces from the 1850s and 1860s, the 1835 Italianate style house is open to the public. It has been listed on the National Register of Historic Places since 1974. It is located across from the south side of the Alabama State Capitol, next door to Archives and History Building.



It is a beautiful building, built of the finest stone and the inside is artistically and richly furnished. Every detail makes of it a hotel of which Montgomery and Montgomerians can be justly proud, and one which has changed Montgomery from a "terrible hotel town" to one of the best in the South, nay, even in the whole country. Since the building of the Gay=Teague, traveling man instead of dreading to come to our little town, like to come here and often will stay a day longer than necessary or will arrange to be here on Sundays.

Formerly a Livery Corner

Formally, there stood on the corner now occupied by the Gay-Teague Hotel, a livery stable. At that time Montgomery was regarded as a village back in the early seventies. Then Mr. J. B. Gay bought the property and put up a three-story building with a 75-foot front. This was divided off on the first floor into three stores; one was used by the wholesale grocery firm of Gay and Hardie; the second was occupied by R. E. Bolling and Company, a wholesale and retail dry goods firm; Moog and Company occupied the third, selling wholesale liquors. The rooms on the second floor were given over to offices and living rooms for

bachelors. The third floor was occupied by the bachelor roomers.

Later in the seventies, Gay and Hardie was succeeded by the firm of J. W. Hardie and Company. At the death of Mr. Hardie, the business was succeeded by Gay, Hardie, and Co. Composed of T. L. Jones, Bradford Hardie, Charles L. Gay and John W. Durr, Jr, the latter firm taking charge of the business in the year of 1882. This firm later moved to larger quarters under the Windsor Hotel and their building was occupied by W. M. Hudson and Company, wholesale and retail grocers. The building was occupied by Moog and Company was at this time occupied by the Montgomery Carriage Works. E. M. Tremble and Company, retail dry goods merchants occupied the store of R. E. Bolling and Company. After this, the three stores were continuously used for wholesale and retail purposes until it was destroyed by fire.

Destroyed by Fire

This Three-story building was owned all this time by the joint interest of Mr. J.B. Gay and Mr. Thomas Davidson, but there came a time when the old building was almost totally destroyed by fire. After this, the Teague Hardware Company bought the Davidson interest. Then the question came up what to do with all the property. They decided to erect a large office building, but before the plans were completed, Mr. N. J. Bell, Sr., let the contract for his office building and they knew that another large building of this kind would be impractical.

At this time, Mr. W. A. Teague knew that he would change his plans to a hotel, since this was a good location. He organized a stock company with a capital of \$500,000 for the purpose of constructing the splendid building now known as the Gay-Teague Hotel and the company was called the Gay-Teague Realty Company. These are the original stockholder: W. M. Teague, R. S. Teague, A. J. Teague, W. M. Teague Jr., Charles L. Gay, J. F. Gay, W. D. Gay, E. W. Gay, W. F. Gay, W. F. Vandiver and Arthur Pelzer. Now the Teague interest has practically absorbed all the others.

GAY – TEAGUE HOTEL

In August of 1996, Improvement Group, Inc. acquired the Frank Leu Building, a 10-story office building located in downtown [Montgomery, Alabama](#). The company planned renovate the building by demolishing the interior of the 80,000 square foot structure leaving the exterior walls and support structure. Company management researched the success and viability of such extensive renovations, calling on many expert local sources and traveling to Paris to view similar projects. They determined that a combination of office space and residential condominium units was a feasible use of the property.

Plans were being developed to that end when, in December of 1996, the City of Montgomery through its agent, approached Improvement Group, Inc. with an unsolicited offer to purchase the property. Management rejected that offer.

In the following months, the City of Montgomery acquired all of the property adjacent to the Frank Leu Building for its planned [downtown riverfront development](#). In March 1997, the city again approached management with a new offer to purchase the property. Recognizing the pending condemnation, Improvement Group entered into negotiations to sell the property to the city. The city demolished the building shortly after the purchase was finalized.



A Paying Investment

There has been general talk around Montgomery prior to this new project that there was not room here for two good hotels, but the company was confident that the city could ably support another, and the company has paid good dividends from the beginning.

Mr. Teague built the hotel principally for patriotic reasons. It was operated from the beginning with the object of advertising Montgomery and of making the city a pleasure for a traveling man. The manager, when the hotel opened, was Mr. J. A. Kavanaugh, and he was succeeded at the end of the year by Mr. Ed Taylor, who has been continuously with the hotel except for a few months when Mr. Fred H. Shireman, (now manager of the "Tutwiler in Birmingham), substituted. The owners are not hesitant to express their feelings that the success of the hotel is due largely to its efficient managers who have proved themselves "men of the hour". Too much credit cannot be given to Mr. Taylor who has become a prime favorite with Montgomerians as well as commercial travelers who frequent the Gay-Teague Hotel.

To Continue High Standard

Regardless of returns, it is the intent of the management of the Gay-Teague to continue its high standard of efficiency that was set and they will do everything for the betterment of Montgomery. The present stockholders are the estate of the ex-mayor, W. M. Teague, R. S. Tea, W. M. Teague Jr., John F. Gay, E W. Gay, and Julius B. Gay.

From the beginning, every modern convenience was installed in the Gay=Teague Hotel, but improvements are always being made. Recently a sanitary "Quick Lunch" was added and they expect to have a "Roof Garden" this summer. Indeed, the Montgomery and Montgomerians should be proud of the Gay-Teague Hotel



The Weekly Advertiser (Montgomery Alabama) 29 Dec 1887 Thu page 3

Serious Illness of Mr. Gay

Yesterday morning Mr. Charles L. Gay received a telegram from his mother in Los Angeles, California, stating that his father, Mr. J. B. Gay, was ill and would probably live but for a few days, and asked him to come out immediately. Mr. Gay left last night for Los Angeles via New Orleans. This will be sad news to the many friends of Mr. Gay in Montgomery. He went out to California several months ago, hoping that his health would be benefited from the change, but the fates willed it otherwise.

The Montgomery Advertiser 12 Jan 1888 Thu page 4

In Memoriam Julius B. Gay

Copy of resolutions unanimously adopted at a meeting of the Directors of Capital City Insurance Company, at the company's office Jan. 10, 1888.

Death having called another of our number from scenes of usefulness upon earth, Be it resolved, by the Board of Directors of the Capital City Insurance Company, avoid it Mr. Julius B. Gay was a member for the past fifteen years:

First-- That in the death of Julius B. Gay the Company has lost a true and faithful friend, and who, despite the trials of physical infirmity, has ever been ready to aid us all in our deliberations and to enrich us with the wisdom with which he was so richly endowed.

Second--That his loss is keenly felt by every member of this board, who had learned to appreciate the wisdom of his opinion, the conservation of his ideas, and the practical value of his assistance in all our labors.

Third-- That we tender to the bereaved family of the deceased our heartfelt sympathy in their loss, while we rejoice that they can find me comfort which alone can come from the knowledge of his upright and Christian character.

Fourth--That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family of our deceased Director, and a page on the Minute Book be set apart upon which these expressions of our sorrow in his loss and esteem for his character may be written and preserved.

The Montgomery Advertiser 19 Feb 1888 Sun. Page 7

THE LAST WILL of the late J. B. Gay Offered For Probate And Contested.

The contest made in behalf of Julius B. Gay, the youngest child, the issue of a second marriage, judge Randolph's decision, declaring the well revoked and void.

The will of the Late J. B. Gay, which was offered for probate by two of the sons, John F. and C.. L. Gay, and his friend, T. L. Jones was disposed of yesterday.

Hon. F. C. Randolph, Judge of Probate, appointed L. A. Shaver, Esq., of this city, guardian ad litem to represent Julius B. Gay, Jr., a minor, and the youngest child of the deceased. The petitioners were represented by Messrs. Graves and Blakey. The will was contested on the ground that it made no provision for the youngest child, who is born of a marriage consummated subsequent to the date of the will, and who was not provided for by any subsequent gift or settlement.

The case was ably argued by the attorneys on both sides, and after hearing all the argument, Judge Randolph rendered his decision in the following opinion:

In the matter of the probate of the last will and testament of Julius B. Gay deceased. Section 1953, of the code, is a legislative declaration of the common law on the subject of the revocation of wills and was made with a knowledge of the construction the courts have placed upon that law. The will under consideration disposes of all the property of a testator by special devices and bequests and makes no mention of a child, the issue of the subsequent marriage and living at the date of the death of the testator. This by the tacit condition by law attached to all wills works an absolute revocation unless provision has been made for such a child by some gift or settlement, and the gift or settlement must be in accord with the principles and policy of the law suitable to the degree and condition in the life of the testator. Tested by this rule the marriage settlement offered in evidence is insufficient. But this settlement is obnoxious to a fatal objection in the outset. It was made subsequent to the will, and consequently cannot be considered at all.

It is therefore adjudged and agreed by the court that the will of Julius B. Gay, offered to probate is revoked and void. Dated February 18, 1888.

F. C. Randolph,
Judge of probate

The Will was made in 1884. Mr. gay subsequently married a second wife and one child was born to them last year, and on behalf of his child, the will was contested. Mr. Gay died in California several months ago, leaving an estate that is estimated to be worth about \$250,000.

The Times and News (Eufaula, Alabama) 29 Mar1888 page 1

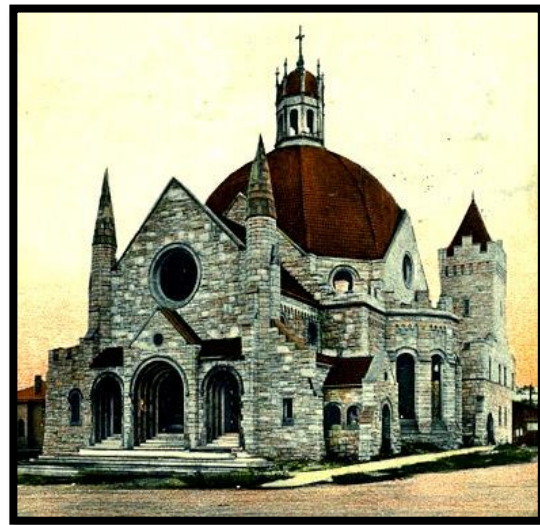
Supreme Court Decision Reverses Judge Randolph

...The conference case of C. L. Gay and others against J. B. Gay, Jr., was also decided. The will of the late J. B. Gay having been offered for probate were protesting because no provision was made for the youngest child. On the issue of the second marriage, the Supreme Court held that provisions were made for a child by antenuptial settlement and the will is valid.

The Clayton Record 20 Mar 1906 Fri page 1

GAY GETS BIG MONEY

At Montgomery by ratification of a settlement made out of court Julius B. Gay secured from the estate of his father the sum of \$28,000. Some time ago young Gay brought suit against other members of the family to secure a part of the estate of his father. As a result, the compromise was brought about and the young man comes in for a neat sum. He is now in Mexico.



First Baptist Church of Montgomery – scene of many family events

**Children of JULIUS BROWN GAY and FRANCES JEANETTE WRIGHT:
(See Generation Two)**

- i. **2. CHARLES LINN GAY Sr.** was born Nov 08 1862 in Talladega, Talladega, Alabama, USA and died Jul 04 1928 in Dadeville, Tallapoosa County, Alabama, USA
- ii. **3. JOHN FLOYD` JOHNNIE` GAY Sr.** was born Dec 17 1864 in Pine Level, Montgomery County, Alabama, USA and died Jan 03 1944 in Montgomery, Montgomery, Alabama, USA
- iii. **4. Rev. WILLIAM DAVID GAY Sr.** was born Oct 08 1867 in Montgomery, Montgomery, Alabama, USA and died Aug 11 1949 in Montgomery, Montgomery, Alabama, USA
- iv. **5. EDWIN WRIGHT GAY** was born Oct 17 1869 in Auburn, Lee, Alabama, USA and died Jun 29 1929 in Montgomery, Montgomery, Alabama, USA
- v. **6. MINNIE LEE GAY** was born Jul 28 1872 in Montgomery, Montgomery, Alabama, USA and died Jul 13 1929 in Montgomery County, Alabama, USA
- vi. **7. FRANCES JULIUS GAY** was born Aug 04 1877 in Montgomery, Montgomery, Alabama, USA and died Mar 08 1944 in Montgomery, Montgomery, Alabama, USA

Children of JULIUS BROWN GAY and MARY ELLEN CAMPBELL:

- vii. **JULIUS BROWN GAY Jr.** was born Apr 03 1886 in Montgomery, Montgomery, Alabama, USA and died Jan 16 1927 in Montgomery, Montgomery, Alabama, USA Buried in the Gay family plot, Oakwood Cemetery, Montgomery, Alabama,

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No further information

Generation 2

2. CHARLES LINN GAY Sr. was born Nov 08 1862 in Talladega, Talladega, Alabama, and died Jul 04 1928 in Dadeville, Tallapoosa County, Alabama. He married **IDA BELLE SMITH** Sep 05 1888 in Tallapoosa, Alabama, USA. She was born Apr 09 1869 in Near Dadeville, Montgomery, Alabama, USA and died Jan 03 1946 in Montgomery, Montgomery, Alabama, USA, daughter of **BENJAMIN SPRINGFIELD SMITH** and **ELIZABETH MILNER**.

Source: Genealogies of the Clark, Parks, Brockman and Dean, Davis and Goss Families. Henry William Clark, 1905, page 75

Charles Linn Gay was born at Talladega, Alabama on November 8, 1862, was educated at the Agricultural and Mechanical College at Auburn, Alabama, and was graduated with first honors in 1882. He was united in marriage to Ida Belle Smith, at Dadeville, Alabama on September 5, 1888. He is a prominent businessman and merchant of Montgomery. A member of the firm of Gay, Hardie & Durr, wholesale druggists.



Miss Ida bell Smith was born April 9, 1869, and was educated at Baltimore, Maryland, and at Lagrange, Georgia. She was graduated at the latter place from the southern Female College in 1866. They reside in Montgomery and have an elegant home in the southern part of the city and Mr. Gay owns valuable planting interests. He and his wife are members of the Baptist Church.

The Montgomery Advertiser 14 Oct 1884 Tue page 4

GAY, HARDIE & CO.

The firm of J.W. Hardie & Co., which had secured so fully the confidence of the public, was dissolved by the lamentable death of Mr. J.W. Hardie. Yet it is not broken up, for by advertisement it will be seen that the firm above written continues at the same place. They have purchased the entire stock, and backed by ample capital will keep the business up to the high mark. Mr. T.L. Jones has been with the old firm for more than fifteen years and is recognized everywhere as a first-class businessman. Mr. J.W. Durr, Jr., has for a long time been one of the salesmen in the house and is a safe, prudent young merchant. Mr. Brad Hardie and Mr. C.L. Gay are sons of the original members of the firm, and will worthily sustain the high character they always bore. Success to Gay, Hardie & Co.

The Weekly Advertiser (Montgomery, Alabama) 13 Sep 1888 Thu page 10

Mr. Charles L. Gay Weds Miss Ida Belle Smith

DADEVILLE, Ala., Sept. 5. -- This afternoon at 3 o'clock Mr. Chas. L. Gay, one of the leading grocery merchants of Montgomery, led to Hymen's altar Miss Ida Belle Smith, one of the fairest and sweetest flowers of this section. The wedding was very private, only a brother of the groom being present. The marriage occurred at the residence of the bride's parents.

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The Montgomery Advertiser 31 Mar 1896 Tue page 7

A GOOD OMEN

A New Wholesale Drug Store To Be Established Here

On yesterday, The Advertiser representative had the pleasure of an interview with the gentlemen composing the firm of Gay, Hardy & Co., wholesale grocers.

These gentlemen, Messrs Charles L. Gay, Bradford Hardie, and John W. Durr, Jr., are all young men; but have been associated together since 1884 in the wholesale grocery business. By dint of hard work and honorable dealings, they have established for themselves standing in the commercial world second to none in the State.

They are quick to read the signs of the times and they say that our country is getting more and more on a cash basis and that their customers, the retail merchants, are not wanting credit as in former years. Believing that this is a permanent condition and that they would find it difficult to keep their entire capital employed, they began to cast about for an additional outlet for their surplus capital.

After going over the entire field, and giving the matter thoughtful consideration, they have determined to open a wholesale drug house in Montgomery. While these gentlemen have had no experience in drugs, they will have the benefit of a well-known drug man's experience, having secured the services of Mr. J.C. Ware, who is now with Mr. A.R. Harvey druggist in this city. Mr. Ware is widely and favorably known throughout this and the adjoining States. He will give his time to the manufacturing department to keeping up the stock and to waiting on customers in the store.

These gentlemen say that they expect to put sufficient capital into this business to enable them to buy their drugs in the largest quantities entitling them to inside quantity prices and taking all the cash discounts, thus enabling them to sell as close as any market in the South.

In a very little while, they will, through these columns, announce the street and number for this new business. They will be prepared to fill orders for anything in the drug line and in any quantity, to dealers only, as they will sell no goods at retail.

They will continue their grocery business just as heretofore. and will be prepared to offer the trade the same inducements as in the past. And can be found at their old stand on Commerce Street, under the Windsor Hotel.

The Montgomery Advertiser 6 Jul 1928 Fri page 2

NEWS IS RECEIVED OF DEATH OF GAY

Former Prominent Local Man And One Of Founders Of Gay-Teague Hotel Dies

News has been received here of the death of Charles L. Gay, 67, at his farm six miles from Dadeville on Martin Lake early Wednesday morning. Death is said to have resulted from heat prostration. Funeral services and interment for Mr. Gay were held at Dadeville Wednesday afternoon.

Born at Talladega in 1862 he made his home there for some time helping direct a large farm. He entered college at Auburn wherein 1882 he graduated with high honors. The greater part of his life was spent in Montgomery where he was actively engaged in business with the firm Gay-Hardy and Company. He was vice president of the Gay Teague Hotel Company and was prominent in the erection of the hostelry. He was a member of several fraternal, church, and social orders. He belonged to the Phi Theta fraternity for years. Retirement to his farm at Dadeville was made several years ago.

Besides his widow, he is sur-vived by three sons, Charles Gay, Jr., Bradford Gay, and Benjamin Gay of Montgomery, and a daugh-ter, Mrs. S.R. Carrington, of Boston.

The Gay House, 230 Noble Avenue, was a historic Queen Anne style house in Montgomery, Alabama. The two-story frame building was built by the Hugger Brothers Construction Company in 1900 for Charles Linn Gay. Gay, born on November 8, 1862, was a Montgomery businessman. He died on July 4, 1928. The house was added to the National Register of Historic Places on March 15, 1975. It was mostly destroyed by fire in October 2007 and the remnants were sold for architectural salvage in July 2011.

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The Montgomery Advertiser
25 Oct. 1946 Fri page 6

A WAR MOTHER

...Mrs. Gay is one of Montgomery's best beloved and most patriotic women, an ideal mother, and as she speaks of her son in France, her voice softens and her eyes take on a brighter light.

Lieutenant Gay is Personal Adjutant on the staff of the Colonel in command of his regiment, 2nd Corps Artillery Park. He has been overseas for two months, but prior to that time was stationed at Camp Pike. He has grown to young manhood in Montgomery and has a host of warm friends.

The Montgomery Advertiser
5 Jan 1946 Sat page 2

Funeral Services Held For Mrs. Ida Bell Gay

Funeral Services were held yesterday for Mrs. Ida Belle Smith Gay, widow of the late Charles L. Gay, pioneer Montgomery family.

Mrs. Gay was born near Dadeville and attended LaGrange College in LaGrange, Ga.

She was past president of the Sophie Bibb Chapter of the United Daughters of the Confederacy and was one of the founders as well as past president of the Montgomery Women's Club.

The Montgomery Advertiser, 5 Jan 1946 Sat page 2

GAY, Mrs. Ida Belle Smith.-- The service was held from Memory Chapel Friday at 2:30 p.m. The Rev. Clyde Kinnaird officiated. Active pallbearers were Dr. John Matthews, Dr. Haywood Bartlett, Capt. William T. Gay, John A Young, J.M. Holloway, and Joe Hudson. Honorary were Dr. Olin Kirkland, A.F. Whiting, J.A. Stephens, E.W. Gunn, and Hardwick Ruth. Burial was in Oakwood Cemetery. Leak-Belser-Tucker in charge-

**Children of CHARLES LINN GAY and IDA BELLE SMITH:
(See Generation Three)**

- i. **TWIN SON 1 GAY** was born Apr 15 1889 in Montgomery County, Alabama, USA and died Apr 15 1889 in Montgomery County, Alabama, USA
Died as infant
- ii. **TWIN SON 2 GAY** was born Apr 15 1889 in Alabama, USA and died Apr 15 1889 in Alabama, USA.
Died as infant
- iii. **8. IDA BELLE GAY** was born Jun 09 1890 in Dadeville, Montgomery, Alabama, USA and died Jul 13 1932 in Watertown, Middlesex, Massachusetts, USA
- iv. **ANNIE LAURIE GAY** was born Apr 09 1890 in Dadeville, Montgomery, Co, Alabama, USA and died Apr 09 1890 in Dadeville, Montgomery, Co, Alabama, USA
- v. **9. CHARLES LINN GAY** was born Jun 03 1895 in Montgomery Co. Alabama, USA and died Mar 12 1957 in Birmingham, Jefferson, Alabama, USA
- vi. **10. BRADFORD HARDY` GAY** was born Sep 25 1900 in Montgomery Co. Alabama and died Oct 08 1969 in Montgomery, Montgomery, Alabama, USA.
(Charles Linn Gay Sr. named after his father's business partner, Charles Linn, followed the same pattern and named his last son after his business partner, Bradford Hardie - no blood relation in either case)
- vii. **11. BENJAMIN SMITH GAY** was born Mar 03 1904 in Montgomery, Montgomery, Alabama, USA and died Dec 02 1982 in Montgomery, Montgomery, Alabama, USA
- viii. **MARY ELLEN GAY** was born 1906 in Montgomery, Montgomery, Alabama, USA and died Sep 11 1911 in Montgomery, Montgomery, Alabama, USA
The Montgomery Times 12 Feb 1911 Tue page 1

DEATH AND BURIAL OF MARY ELLEN GAY

Mary Ellen Gay, the six-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles L. Gay, died at the family residence, 26 Noble avenue, at 7 o'clock yesterday evening, after a three-week illness.

The funeral will take place this afternoon at the residence at 4:30 o'clock, Rev. A. Cowan, pastor of the Southside Baptist Church, officiating, and interment will be made in Oakwood cemetery.

3. JOHN FLOYD `JOHNNIE` GAY was born Dec 17 1864 in Pine Level, Montgomery County, Alabama, USA and died Jan 03 1944 in Montgomery, Montgomery, Alabama, USA. He married **JULIA ELMETTA TEAGUE** Nov 14 1888 in Montgomery, Montgomery, Alabama, USA. She was born Nov 06 1865 in Benton, Lowndes County, Alabama, USA and died Sep 18 1955 in Montgomery, Montgomery County, Alabama, USA daughter of Mayor **WILLIAM MARTIN TEAGUE** and **EUGENIA ISABELLA JACKSON**.



Source: Genealogies of the Clark, Parks, Brockman and Dean, Davis and Goss Families. Henry William Clark, 1905, page 75-76

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John Floyd Gay was prepared for college in Montgomery, Alabama, entered the Agricultural and Mechanical College at Auburn, Alabama, in 1879; continued there until 1882, pursuing a literary course, thence at the Alabama State University at Tuscaloosa. He graduated at the University in June 1884, as A. B. In July 1884, he commenced business with the Capital City Ins. Co. of Montgomery until July 1889. He then opened an office as general insurance and real estate agent.

On Nov. 4, 1888, Mr. Gay and Julia Elmetta Teague were united in marriage at the Court Street Methodist Church. Miss Teague is a daughter of Mr. William Martin Teague and Eugenia Isabelle Teague of Montgomery. Miss Julia Elmetta Teague was educated at Nashville College for young ladies in Tenn.



John Floyd Gay Sr., Later Years

The Montgomery Advertiser, 4 Jan. 1944, Tue page 1

John Floyd Gay Dies At 79 In Chair By Radio

Prominent In Business, Social Circles Of City: Active Until His Death

John Floyd Gay, 79, died suddenly at his home at 543 South Perry Street yesterday at 4 p.m. Having had lunch at the regular hour, he was sitting in the living room listening to

the radio when he apparently dropped off to sleep.

A lifelong resident of Montgomery, Mr. Gay was prominent in business interests and social affairs of the city, being active up to the last hours of his life.

Descended from pioneer families of Montgomery County, he was the son of Julius Brown Gay and Frances Jeanette Wright Gay, of Pine Level. His father was one of the founders of Gay, Hardie, Durr Drug Company (now Durr's Drug Company).

He was graduated from the University of Alabama in the class of 1884 and was one of the founders of the local chapter of Phi Delta Theta fraternity. He was in the insurance business in Montgomery for more than 30 years, beginning in 1886. He also engaged in real estate activities and was one of the founders of the Gay-Teague Hotel. He was a member of Beauvoir Country Club.

Through his friendly interest in business and social affairs of the city during a long period, Mr. Gay won a host of friends and his integrity of character caused him to become recognized as the finest type of Southern gentleman.

Surviving are his widow, Mrs. Julia Teague Gay, three sons, William Teague Gay, of the U.S. Army; Eugene Jackson Gay of the U.S. Navy; and John Floyd Gay, of Birmingham; two daughters, Miss Julia S. Gay, of Montgomery; and Mrs. W. Sprouell Graves, Garden City, Long Island, N.Y.; one brother, William David Gay, St Petersburg, Fla.; one sister, Mrs. Olin Kirkland, Montgomery; and eight grandchildren.

Funeral arrangements will be announced by Leak, Belser and Tucker.

Alabama Journal (Montgomery, Alabama) Thu Jan. 6 1944 page 4

A CLOSELY RELATED CITY

One of the impressive thoughts aroused by the death of a citizen like Mr. John Floyd Gay who passed at the age of 79 this week, is the closeness it reveals in the relationship of Montgomery's citizenship. Mr. Gay himself had spent a lifetime in Montgomery and his father before him was prominent in the city's life nearly a hundred years ago, The marriages of members of their child-

Teague House, 430 South Perry Street

On April 11, 1865, federal troops, known as "Wilson's Raiders," approached the city. Lacking means of defense, city officials agreed to surrender the city. From the front portico of this house was read the order of Gen. James H. Wilson, USA, placing the first Capital of the Confederacy under martial law on April 12, 1865. This house, typical of many homes of the period, was home successively of the Owens, Ware, Walker, Graham, and Teague families. Since 1955 it has served as headquarters of the Alabama State Chamber of Commerce and is open to the public.



Mayor William Martin Teague was a wholesale grocer of Montgomery, educated at Central Institute, then located in Coosa County, AL, and known as Bragg's Gymnasium. Left school at 17 & joined the 3rd Alabama Regiment commanded by Col. Tennent Lomax, going in as a private in Co. I, May 5, 1886, and being mustered in at Lynchburg, VA. He was wounded at Gettysburg & captured and taken prisoner to Chester, PA. where he was held 3 months, paroled, came home & transferred to the commissary at Eufaula, where he severed until the close of the war. After the war, he farmed & then went into the mercantile business. He moved to Montgomery & with H. M. Hobbie formed the partnership of Hobbie & Teague. In 1875, with G.W. Barnett (a wife's uncle) & J.W. A. Jackson (his father-in-law), he went into the hardware business until 1891. In 1892 he formed a partnership with his three sons, Robert S., Abner J. and William M, Jr., in the wholesale hardware, under the name of Teague & Sons. Mr. Teague is a member of K and H, National Union and the Elks. He was married in December, 1864, to Isabella, daughter of John W. A. Jackson, of Montgomery and to them have been born ten children. SOURCE: Memorial Record of Alabama, Vol II, p. 752-3..

ren, the new generations coming on brought about a situation where those who are related to them by either blood or marriage reach out in scores of directions. It can almost be said that Mr. Gay was related to half the families of Montgomery, and Mrs. Gay, whose maiden name was Julia Teague, is related to the other half.

The city mourns the severing of links with the past such as was represented in the life of John Floyd Gay, but his friends and kinsmen have a heritage in the life of usefulness and the cheer with which the deceased always enriched the social, business and cultural circles with which he was in contact.

The Montgomery Advertiser, 20 Sep, 1955, Tue page 20

Thursday Rites Set For Mrs. Gay

Funeral services for Mrs. Julia Teague Gay, 90, a Montgomerian for many years, will be held Thursday at 2 p.m. from Leak-Memory Chapel with Dr. Charles S. Forrester officiating. Burial will follow in Oakwood Annex Cemetery.

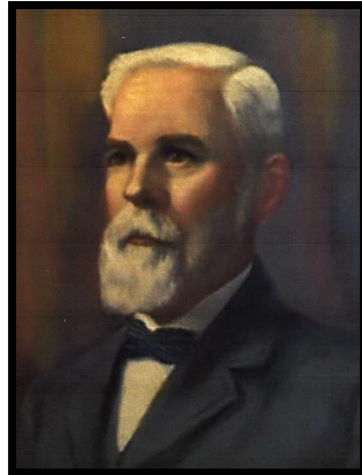
Mrs. Gay, the widow of John F. Gay and daughter of the late W. M. Teague, a former mayor of Montgomery, died Sunday afternoon in Garden City, N.Y at the home of her daughter, Mrs. W. Spruill Graves Jr.

Other survivors are three sons, John F. Gay Jr., Birmingham; William T. Gay, Montgomery; Eugene J. Gay, Hollywood, Fla.; another daughter, Miss Julia S. Gay, Montgomery; three sisters, Miss Bessie Teague, Mrs. Ethel Teague Jones, Montgomery, and Mrs. Eugenia Teague Scriba, Garden City; three brothers, W. M. Teague, Edwin H. Teague, Montgomery; Fred W. Teague, Oakland, Calif.; eight grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Julia Elmetta Teague

William Martin Teague

Eugenia Isabella Jackson



**Children of JOHN FLOYD `JOHNNIE` GAY Sr. and JULIA ELMETTA TEAGUE:
(See Generation Three)**

- i. **JULIA SCARBOROUGH GAY** was born May 11 1890 in Montgomery, Montgomery County, Alabama, USA and died Nov 24 1973 in Montgomery, Montgomery County, Alabama, USA
The Montgomery Advertiser, 20 Jun 1912, Thu page 8
MISS JULIA S. GAY WINS HONORS AT RADCLIFFE
Other Alabama Girls Have Degrees Conferred Upon Them
BOSTON, MASS. - June 19 - Alabama girls were well represented at the commencement exercises of Radcliffe College here today. Julia S. Gay, of Montgomery, was awarded a degree of Bachelor of Arts.....
No further information
- ii. **11. ELEANOR TEAGUE `ELLIE` GAY** was born Aug 14 1892 in Montgomery, Montgomery County, Alabama and died Dec 22 1985 in Chevy Chase, Montgomery, Maryland
- iii. **12. JOHN FLOYD GAY Sr.** was born Jul 22 1895 in Hope Hull, Montgomery, Alabama and died Dec 05 1967 in Birmingham, Jefferson, Alabama
- iv. **13. WILLIAM TEAGUE GAY Sr.** was born Sep 29 1899 in Montgomery, Montgomery, Alabama and died Nov 21 1981 in Montgomery, Montgomery, Alabama
- v. **14. EUGENE JACKSON GAY** was born Aug 24 1901 in Montgomery, Montgomery County, Alabama and died Jan 14 1972 in Montgomery, Montgomery County, Alabama, USA

4. Rev. WILLIAM DAVID GAY Sr. was married three times and was born Oct 08 1867 in Montgomery, Montgomery, Alabama, USA and died Aug 11 1949 in Montgomery, Montgomery, Alabama, USA. He married **(1) MINNIE GARDNER** May 21 1889 in Tuskegee, Alabama, USA She was born Apr 09 1868 in Talbotton, Talbot, Georgia, USA and died Jan 25 1893 in Alabama, USA. She



the daughter of the **Rev. Julius Gardner** and **Siby Ann Louise "Lou" Brooks**. He married **(2) MARY BELLE SCOTT** Jan 21 1895 in Montgomery, Montgomery, Alabama, USA She was born Jul 27 1868 in Montgomery, Montgomery, Alabama and died Sep 20 1953 in Arlington, Arlington, Virginia, USA. She was the daughter of **THOMAS JEFFERSON SCOTT** and **MARY ADELAIDE WILLISTON** He married **(3) SAMMIE DICKSON**. She was born May 1871 in Montgomery County, Alabama, USA and died Nov 16 1960 in Birmingham, Jefferson, Alabama, USA. She was the daughter of **David Madison Dickson Jr.** and **Blandie E. Eubanks**

Source: Genealogies of the Clark, Parks, Brockman and Dean, Davis and Goss Families. Henry William Clark, 1905, page 76

Rev. William David Gay was born in Montgomery, Alabama on October 8, 1867. He was educated at the Agricultural and Mechanical College, Auburn, Alabama, and at the University of Alabama, where he graduated with a B.A. He was baptized on May 31, 1887. He married Minnie Gardner at Tuskegee, Alabama on May 21, 1889. Miss Gardner was born at Talbotton, Georgia, on April 9, 1868. She died after the birth of her only child, January 25, 1893. Mr. Gay, preparatory for the ministry, took a course at the Southern Theological Seminary at Louisville, Kentucky, taking the degree of M.A. and finished in Europe; studied a while at Oxford University. He has preached at Furman, Pleasant Hill, Adams Street, Montgomery, Alabama, and Valliance Street Church, New Orleans. He was ordained on January 1, 1890, at the First Baptist Church, Montgomery. He has received into the church about 1,000 souls, this January 1, 1901.

Mr. Gay and Mary Belle Scott were united in marriage at Montgomery, Alabama on January 21, 1895. Miss Scott was born at Montgomery on July 27, 1868.

The Montgomery Advertiser 26 Jan 1893 Thu page 2

Death Of Mrs. W.D. Gay

Mrs. W. D. Gay died yesterday evening at Furman. The remains will be forwarded to this city for burial. The funeral will take place tomorrow from the residence of Mr. C.L. Gay on Clayton Street. The deceased had been sick only a few days. She was Miss Minnie Gardner of this city and had been married only a few years.

The Reporter (Tuskegee, Alabama) 3 Feb 1893 Fri page 1

The funeral of Mrs. Minnie Gay took place from the first Baptist Church in Montgomery last Friday. Mrs. Gay was formerly Minnie Gardner of this place.

The Montgomery Advertiser, 4 Jan. 1895 page 7

THEY WILL MARRY

REV. W.D. GAY and MISS MARY BELLE SCOTT

It is announced that Rev. William D. Gay, the beloved and popular pastor of the Adams Street Baptist Church, will lead to the altar on the 21st of this month the lovely and highly accomplished daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T.J. Scott, Miss Mary Belle. She is an enthusiastic, untiring Christian worker, and will make a helpmate indeed for the young minister, whose life she has consented to share. *The Advertiser* extends congratulations in advance.

The Montgomery Advertiser 22 Jan 1895 Tue page 7

GAY – SCOTT

Marriage of the Pastor of Adams Baptist Church to Miss Scott Last Night

Adams Street Baptist Church at 5 o'clock last evening could barely accommodate the congregation of friends there to witness the marriage of the pastor, Rev. E.D. Gay, to Miss Mary Bell Scott. Every pew in the church was occupied, the aisles were crowded and numbers of people had to stand in the doorways in order that they might see and hear the ceremony.

Under any circumstances, the church is really very pretty and with the elaborate and tasteful floral decorations and the animated crowd, one could hardly fancy a scene more appropriate to the event--joyous nuptials, a marriage fete. It seems that Mr. Gay's parishioners all considered it a matter of dearest personal pride, many of them assisted in decorating the church with palms, potted plants, roses in profusion, and all this, and the attendants were unmistakably symbols of the admiration and affection felt for the young minister and his bride, and the best of good wishes that will follow then through life.

Messrs. Willis L. Chandler, William M. Blakey, J/C. Pope and Charles H. Scott were the ushers. The groom entered with his brother, Mr. Charles L. Gay, and the bride was accompanied by her father, Mr. Thomas J. Scott. She was attired in a very handsome traveling suit and carried a cluster of carnations, her appearance distinctly portraying her personality. A sweet, noble face of beautiful coloring, graceful bearing, and a firm, well-poised carriage.

Mary Belle Scott is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas J. Scott, and a very superior young lady of culture and intelligence, and lovable Christian character. Rev. Gay, will no doubt, find in her a great helpmate in his excellent attainments and a preacher of much power and aggressiveness.

Their troths were plighted in an unusually impressive manner, three ministers officiating. The marriage ceremony being opened by Rev. Mr. J.W. McCullom, a missionary to Japan, Rev. J.L. Thompson, formerly pastor of the Adams Street Church, made a prayer, and Rev. Dr. George B. Bager delivered the benediction. Last night Mr. and Mrs. Gay left for Thomasville, Ga., and a tour of Florida.

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The Pine Belt News (Newton, Alabama) 23 Oct 1902 page 7

PROHIBITION TICKET

The Rev. William D. Gay, who is running as a prohibition candidate for governor, did not get his petition into the office of the secretary of state in time to secure a place for his name on the official ballot, but he will run the race through just the same, trusting to the prohibitionists to write out their ticket in full. Under the law, any voter can write out any name he chooses and mark it.

Following is Mr. Gay's ticket: Lieutenant-Governor, C.J. Hammet, of Kinsey; secretary of state, T.D. Witherspoon, of Gadsden; treasurer, R.O. Simpson, of Furman; commissioner of agriculture, C.D. Alverson on Lincoln; auditor, J.B. Albritton, of Eufala; superintendent of education, O.E. Comstock, of Sheffield; attorney general, H.H. Bauckman, of Enterprise.

The Montgomery Advertiser 16 Mar 1913 Sun page 17

BOSTON'S SOUTHERN CLUB

"It has neither literature, nor the fine arts, nor intellectual uplift, nor philanthropy, nor charity as motifs. It just stands bravely on its real foundation, which is social life and enjoyment for students who might be very lonely otherwise.

"Don't you think lack by a strange anomaly, almost all of the wooden homes in Cambridge set on their bits of lawns, bear a resemblance to Virginia homes. The interiors, however, do not carry the illusion further, unless it chances that one of these dwellings is occupied by a Southerner. At 490 Irving Street is one of the rare mansions in question, for it is the home of Mrs. William David Gay of Montgomery, Ala. the regent of that unique organization, the Southern Club of Boston. Some years ago there existed in Boston a Boston Southern Society, composed entirely of men, and headed by such men as Dr. Councilman and Dr. Christian, both former deans of the Harvard Medical School.

When Mrs. Gay arrived in Cambridge from Alabama about six years ago, she began to "receive," on certain days, students who hailed from her beloved Alabama. Out of Alabama, contingent grew what was known as the Southern Social Club of Boston, a name chosen to distinguish it from The Southern Society.

In a short time, the Southern Society ceased to exist and the Southern Social Club of Boston abbreviated its name and became the Southern Club of Boston, Mrs. Gay serving as its first president. At a recent "club" tea at her house - she entertains all members who choose to come to her every Sunday afternoon - It was a difficult thing to get the charming hostess to talk about her own part in the establishment of the Southern Club in this latitude.

"O, I thought first of lonely Alabama boys and girls, so far away from their homes and families, and then, - it just grew itself, like "Topay,"" she said in reply to a question.

"You know, they all accuse us Southerners of having the social instinct almost abnormally developed. I am sure these young people need social life along with their work, and this is what makes our Southern Club distinctive.

of the right amusement sometimes makes young people go rather far afield for what is not precisely the right kind?"

Here was really the unheralded, unacknowledged motive back of all this apparently purely pleasure-seeking gathering....

The Southern Club of Boston has a membership of 400 and its officer have never received salaries for their sometimes arduous duties --*Boston Globe*

Chattanooga Daily Times 29 Jul 1923 Sun page 3

Marriage Licenses... William D, Gay to Sammie Dickson

The Alabama Journal (Montgomery, Alabama) 13 Aug 1949 Sat page 2

GAY, William D. -- The funeral for Dr. William David Gay, who died Thursday night, was held from White Chapel today at 2 p.m. with Rev. Blount Davidson and the Rev. Lee Gallman officiating. Burial was in Oakwood Cemetery. Pallbearers were John Lamar, W.F. Lee, F.L. Riley, Dr. Noble Greenhill, Sam Ray, and M. L. Killingsworth. The family requested no flowers. Surviving are the widow, Mrs. Sammie Dickson Gay, Montgomery; two daughters, Mrs. Hazan A. Chandler, Corpus Christie, Tex.; Mrs. Bradford Fullerton, Washington, D.C.; two sons, William D. Gay, Kansas City, Mo., and Taylor S. Gay, New York; three grandchildren.

The St. Louis Star and Times 17 Dec 1949 Tue page 24

MRS. MARY GAY ARRIVES on VISIT

Mrs. Mary Belle Scott Gay of Cambridge, Mass. Arrived today to visit her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph W., Thayer, 4515 Lindell Boulevard until Christmas night.

Tomorrow afternoon Mrs. Willard E. Parker will give a large tea for Mrs. Gay at her home 4750 Westminster Place. Assisting the hostess will be Mrs. Thayer, Mrs. Ellwood Douglass, Mrs. R.B.H. Gradwold. Mrs. Ivan H. Light, Mrs. W. Victor Weir, Miss Ceel Frampton, Mrs. Cay will be entertained every day of her stay. Another party will be a luncheon to be given Wednesday by Mrs. Ivan H. Light at the Winston-Churchill tearoom. After her visit here Mrs. Gay will be the guest of her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Taylor Scott Gay of Bartlesville, Okla.

The Montgomery Advertiser 22 Sep 1953 Tue page 6

Funeral Rites Set For Mrs. Mary Gay

Funeral services will be held in Arlington, Va., today for Mrs. Mary Bell Gay, a member of one of Montgomery's pioneer families. She died in an Arlington hospital early Sunday following a long illness.

The daughter of the late Mr. Thomas Jefferson Scott, of Montgomery, Mrs. Gay was the founder of the Boston, Mass. Chapter of the United Daughters of the Confederacy.

Surviving are two sons, W. David Gay, Kansas City, Mo., and Taylor S. Gay, New York City, N.Y., and two daughters, Mrs. Hazan A. Chandler of Corpus Christie, Tex., and Mrs. Bradford W. Fullerton of Arlington, Va.

The Birmingham News 25 Sep 1953 Fri page 1

FROM WHERE I STAND

Mrs. Sammie Gay one of Alabama's first "Hello Girls"

By Vulcan

Mrs. Sammie Dickson Gay is a nice white-haired lady with a twinkle in her eye and a clear, gentle voice.

Ole Vule looked down the other day and saw Mrs. Gay still known as "Miss Dickson" to her "old girls," a-visiting the telephone switchboard at the Birmingham News. Six of the telephone

operators at the newspaper office got their training under "Miss Dickson" and some of them still felt like simulating a crisp busy air when their former supervisor appeared -- although truth is, the good lady retired from the telephone company fully 30 years ago.

"Goodness," sighed Irene Taylor, the chief phone operator at the News, "Miss Dickson was a wonderful boss -- but she made us girls toe the line. She could hang her hat up in the big room and get discipline.

Sammie Dickson was one of the first Hello Girls. She taught school for a couple of years in Montgomery, then got a job with the new telephone company in the Capital City. There were only three operators in Montgomery then-- one for each of the three shifts for twenty-four hours. That was in 1879 and not long after Miss Dickson went to work for the phone company, she ran into her first long grinding emergency swing. Yellow fever hit the city, and the young phone operator was on duty hour after hour -- eating a sandwich at her post, keeping the lines open for important communication.

Just said "Hello"

When Mrs. Sammie Dickson Gay started with the telephone company 57 years ago there were no written instructions for operators.

"We just answered the signal and said "hello" and for a time each girl made up her own rules about what to say to a subscriber on the phone.

The "directory" was a sheet of names of subscribers. And back in the old days, people just cranked their phones and asked for a person by name. Mrs. Gay was sent to Atlanta to help write the first instruction book for phone operators. That was the beginning of the uniform, polite but impersonal voice of "central."

A Real Pioneer

The lady telephone pioneer was the first Birmingham long-distance operator. And later she became supervisor of all the local girls, selecting, training, and supervising work. Nowadays you dial a number, and there are some clicks, and the phone rings. But in the hey-day of the "hello" girl central headquarters was a very busy line of efficient young ladies.

Good Training Job

At the Birmingham News alone Nellie Garrett, Irene Tay, Ruby Miller, Elizabeth Snedrcor, Puby Jones, and Isabel Johnson were trained by Mrs., Gay.

"Irene," said Miss Sammie looking over the big board, "Why isn't this board off in a quiet place?"

Then she smiled and nodded approvingly as her former pupil excused herself to answer a red light on the board.

Alabama Journal (Montgomery, Alabama 17 Nov 1960 Thu page 48

Mrs. Gay, 89, Dies of Illness

Mrs. Sammie Dickson Gay, 89, a member of a pioneer family of Montgomery, and widow of Re. William D. Gay, a Baptist minister, died in Birmingham Wednesday, after a long illness.

Mrs. Gay, a longtime member of First Baptist Church in Montgomery, was active in circles and Sunday school work here for years. Born in Pine Level, Ala., in 1871, during the reconstruction period, Mrs. Gay was the oldest daughter of David Madison Dickson and Blandie Eubanks Dickson. Mrs. Gay worked for Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Co. in Montgomery and Birmingham

for 25 years, where she was active in the Pioneer Club. She retired a few years ago and married after retiring.

Survivors include three sisters, Mrs. Hawthorne Hawkins, Mrs. C.B. Mann, Mrs. Annie D. Pope, all of Birmingham; and a brother, James D. Dickson, Jasper.

Funeral services will be held from Johns Ridout Funeral Home in Birmingham Friday at 19 a.m. with Dr. Lamar Jackson officiating. Graveside services will be held in Oakwood Cemetery in Montgomery Friday at 3 p.m. with Dr. Frank Tripp officiating.



Mary Gay (died of cerebral palsy at an early age), Mary Belle (Scott) Gay, Nurse maid holding baby David Gay, Jr., Rev. David Gay, Frances Gay Two young girls in front, Lois Gay, Dorothy Gay Probably taken in Boston about 1906

Children of Rev. WILLIAM DAVID GAY Sr. and MINNIE GARDNER:

- i. **JULIUS GARDNER GAY** was born Jan 25 1893 in Montgomery, Montgomery, Alabama, USA and died 1894 in Montgomery, Montgomery, Alabama, USA
Died as Infant

**Children of Rev. WILLIAM DAVID GAY and MARY BELLE SCOTT:
(See Generation Three)**

- ii. **MARY SCOTT GAY** was born Nov 07 1896 in Montgomery, Montgomery County, Alabama and died Mar 16 1909 in Montgomery, Montgomery County, Alabama
Died young of Cerebral Palsy
- iii. **15. FRANCES LOLA GAY** was born Jun 12 1898 in Montgomery, Montgomery County, Alabama and died Feb 01 1946 in St Louis, St Louis, Missouri,
- iv. **16. MINNIE LOIS GAY** was born Sep 15 1900 in Montgomery, Montgomery County, Alabama, USA and died Oct 02 1960 in Corpus Christi, Nueces, Texas, USA
- v. **17. DOROTHY WILLISTON GAY** was born Feb 01 1903 in Montgomery, Alabama, USA and died Oct 05 1975 in Vineyard Haven, Dukes, Massachusetts, USA
- vi. **WILLIAM DAVID GAY Jr.** was born 1906 in Chicago, Cook, Illinois, USA
No further information
- vii. **18. TAYLOR SCOTT GAY** was born May 24 1907 in Cambridge, Middlesex, Massachusetts, USA and died Jun 12 1962 in New York City, New York, USA

5. EDWIN WRIGHT GAY was born Oct 17 1869 in Auburn, Lee, Alabama, USA and died Jun 29 1929 in Montgomery, Montgomery, Alabama, USA. He married **LULA H HUFFMAN** May 14 1890 in Verbena, Alabama, USA. She was born Sep 14 1871 in Ramer, Montgomery County., Alabama and died Apr 04 1953 in Montgomery, Montgomery County, Alabama, USA and was the daughter of **JAMES WASHINGTON HUFFMAN** and **FRANCES E. BARNETT**.

Source: Genealogies of the Clark, Parks, Brockman and Dean, Davis and Goss Families. Henry William Clark, 1905, page 77

Edwin Wright Gay was born in the city of Montgomery, Alabama on November 17, 1869, was prepared for college in the private school of Montgomery 1876 to 1879, then attended the Agricultural and Mechanical College at Auburn, Alabama, and finally the State University at Tuscaloosa for two years, completing the course in 1887. He managed his father's farm for some years and until the latter's death. He then engaged in farming with great success. In 1894, he moved to Montgomery and engaged in the furniture business in a co-partnership with Mr. Ellis, under the firm name of Ellis & Gay. Messrs. Ellis & Gay are leading furniture dealers and have built up a large business.

Mr. Gay and Lula Huffman were united in marriage on May 14, 1890, at Verbena, Alabama. Miss Huffman was born at Ramer, Alabama on September 14, 1871.

The Montgomery Advertiser 16 May 1890 Fri page 7

A HAPPY MARRIAGE

Mr. E.W. Gay Leads Miss Lula Huffman To The Altar

Mr. E. W. Gay, of this city, and Miss Lula Huffman, of Verbena, were married at the residence of the bride's uncle, Mr. G.W. Barnett, in Verbena, Wednesday afternoon.

The ceremony was performed by Rev. Dr. M.B. Wharton, pastor of the First Baptist Church. The wedding party returned to the city Wednesday night. The bride and groom are spending a few days at the residence of Mrs. J. B. Gay, on South McDonough Street.

Mr. Gay is a young man of splendid business qualifications, excellent character, and bright promise, and his bride is a lovely and lovable young lady. They begin wedded life in the midst of golden prospects and the best wishes of hosts of friends.

The Montgomery Advertiser 5 Oct 1904 Wed page 8

DISSOLUTION NOTICE

The firm of Ellis & Gay has this day been dissolved by mutual consent. Mr. Edwin W. Gay retiring and Mr. George W. Ellis to continue the business under the name of Ellis-Grant Furniture Co. All debts due the firm of Ellis & Gay are to be paid the new corporation, and the latter will assume all liabilities due by the said Ellis & Gay.

Geo. Ellis
Edwin W. Gay

The Montgomery Advertiser 18 Jun 1906 Mon page 3

INFANT OF EDWIN W. GAY DIES IN NEW YORK

James, the 8-month old son of Mr. and Mrs. Edwin W. Gay, of this city, died last night in an infirmary in New York City from the effects of a surgical operation performed on him ten days ago.

Mr. and Mrs. Gay will reach Montgomery tomorrow evening with the remains of their infant. The funeral will take place from their residence, 430 South McDonough Street at 9:30 o'clock tomorrow morning, Rev. Dr. Stakely officiating.

The Montgomery Advertiser 30 Jun 1929 Sun page 2

EDWIN WRIGHT GAY DIES AT RESIDENCE AFTER LONG ILLNESS

Edwin Wright Gay, 59, well-known furniture dealer, died at noon yesterday at his residence, 430 South McDonough Street, after an illness of about four years.

Mr. Gay was a lifelong resident of Montgomery and participated in various enterprises for the city's upbuilding. In 1895 he engaged in the furniture business with George W. Ellis. In 1914 he became associated with S. B. Sightler in the same business and remained a member of this partnership until the disastrous fire which destroyed the store in the summer of 1927.

Mr. Gay entered business for himself under the name of the Gay Furniture Company in 1927. Mr. Gay aided in giving Montgomery its first modern hotel, the Gay-Teague. He was a member of the First Baptist Church for 35 years and was a graduate of the Alabama Polytechnic Institute.

Surviving him are his widow and two sons, E. W. Gay, Jr., of Albuquerque, N.M., and Wyley Barnett Gay; two brothers, William D., and John F. Gay and two sisters, Mrs. Minnie Malcolm and Mrs. Olin Kirkland.

Funeral services will be held from the residence today at 4 p.m. The following will serve as pallbearers: W.J. Matthews, J/D. Waller, J.A. Brady, H.G. Cadenhead, H.A. Robertson and E.S. Smith. Burial will be held in Oakwood, The Leak Company in charge.

The Almore Advance 4 Jul 1929 Thu page 10

A. H. SCHAD ATTENDS FUNERAL OF E. W. GAY

A. H. Schad, manager of the S. B. Sightler furniture store here, attended the funeral of E. W. Gay in Montgomery Sunday.

Mr. Gay died Saturday and funeral services were held from the residence at 4 p.m. Sunday afternoon. He was a former member of the firm of Gay & Sightler and made several visits to Atmore prior to the dissolution of the partnership, at which time Mr. Sightler retained the Almore store. Mr. Schad was joined in Brewton by John and Marvin Schad and W. O. Green, who accompanied him to Montgomery and attended the funeral.

**Children of EDWIN WRIGHT GAY and LULA H HUFFMAN:
(See Generation Three)**

- i. **19. EDWIN WRIGHT GAY** was born Feb 23 1891 in Montgomery, Montgomery, Alabama, USA and died May 21 1930 in Montgomery, Montgomery, Alabama, USA
- ii. **20. WYLEY BARNETT GAY** was born Apr 30 1893 in Montgomery, Montgomery County, Alabama and died May 21 1930 in Montgomery, Montgomery County, Alabama
- iii. **INFANT GAY** was born Apr 19 1895 in Montgomery, Montgomery County, Alabama and died Apr 19 1895 in Montgomery, Montgomery County, Alabama
- iv. **JAMES GAY** was born Aug 07 1905 in Montgomery, Montgomery, Alabama, USA and died Jun 17 1906 in Montgomery, Montgomery, Alabama, USA

6. MINNIE LEE GAY was born Jul 28 1872 in Montgomery, Montgomery, Alabama, USA and died Jul 13 1929 in Montgomery County, Alabama, USA. She married **(1) WILLIS DARBY** Apr 11 1892 in Montgomery, Montgomery, Alabama, USA He was born 1865 in Upper Darby, Delaware, Pennsylvania, USA and died Mar 01 1905 in Louisville, Jefferson, Kentucky, USA. He was the son of **WILLIS DARBY, Sr.** and **ELIZA CAREY**. She married **(2) PERCY EDWIN DUNLOP MALCOLM** Nov 23 1898 in Manhattan, New York, USA. He was born Oct 09 1870 in Nassau, Bahamas and died Aug 12 1945 in Nassau, Bahamas. He was the youngest son of **Sir ORMAND DRIMMIE MALCOLM** and **ANNA FRANCES SANDS**. Percy became a naturalized American citizen in New York on 16 Dec. 1925

Source: Genealogies of the Clark, Parks, Brockman and Dean, Davis and Goss Families. Henry William Clark, 1905, page 77 - 78

Minnie Lee Gay was born in Montgomery, Alabama on July 28, 1872. At the age of 12, she was taken away from a private school in Montgomery and sent to the Tuskegee Female College for one year. The following year she attended the Judson Female Institute at Marion, Alabama, was there two years. In 1888 she left the Judson and entered the Richmond Female Institute, Richmond, Virginia, of which Miss Sally B. Hammer was president. In 1889 she was graduated from the Richmond Female Institute, the closing exercises being held in the Richmond Theatre, Thomas Nelson Page, delivering the baccalaureate address. After graduation, she took a special course in vocal music, harp, and modern languages at the private school of Misses Wreahs, 37 East 68th Street, New York City.

On April 11, 1892, she was married to Willis Darby, Jr., son of Willis Darby and Sarah Carey of Evergreen, Alabama, at 19 Amanda street, Montgomery, by the Rev. Neal Anderson.

In 1897 she separated from Willis Darby. In 1898 obtained her divorce on statutory grounds in the courts of Alabama. On November 28, 1898, she was married to Dr. Percy Edwin Dunlop Malcolm, second son of Sir Ormand Drumine Malcolm, Chief Justice of the Bahama Islands, and of Anna Sans Malcolm, Lady Malcolm of New York City, at the Hotel Vendome, Broadway, and 41st street, by the Rev. Alfred Meyers.

Children of first marriage:

- i. Frances Gay Darby, b. Aug. 4, 1893
 - ii. Willis Cary Darby, b. May 18, 1896
- Both born at 220 South Perry St. Montgomery, Alabama

The Montgomery Advertiser, 12 Apr 1892, Tue page 2

WEDDING YESTERDAY

Mr. Willis Darby and Miss Minnie Gay Married Yesterday Morning

At the residence of Mr. Jno. E. Cheney, the bride's uncle on Amanda Street, there was a very happy marriage yesterday morning at 10:30 o'clock, being that of Mr. Willis Darby Jr. and Miss Minnie L. Gay. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Neal L. Anderson. The wedding was quite a surprise to the many friends of the young people, as it was set for some time later in the summer.

Miss Gay is the daughter of Mr. Julius Gay of this city, who died some time ago. Mr. Darby is one of Montgomery's sterling business men. He is the junior member of the firm of Teague, Barnett & Co.

The Advertiser together with their many friends extends hearty congratulations.

The Montgomery Advertiser 23 May 1904 Mon page 8

Dr. Percy Edwin Dunlap Malcolm, a distinguished young physician and his wife, of New York City, are visiting relatives in this city. Mrs. Malcolm was formerly Miss Minnie Gay, of Montgomery, and is the sister of Messrs. Charles, John, Edward and Rev. William D. Gay, all prominent in local and professional circles.

The Evergreen Courant (Evergreen, Alabama) 8 Mar 1905 Wed page 3**DEATH of WILLIS DARBY**

Willis Darby died in Louisville, Ky., last Saturday night, and his remains were brought here on Monday afternoon and buried in Evergreen cemetery. He had for many months been in a low state of health, and a short while ago went to Louisville to receive medical treatment. Mr. Darby was the brother of Mrs. M.W. Etheridge. He has several brothers living at Greenville.

The Courant extends sympathies to the bereaved relatives

The Montgomery Advertiser, 10 Jul 1906 Tue. page 10**MOTHER SEEKS CHILDREN****Mrs. Malcolm Files Bills Against Mrs. Etheridge of Evergreen**

Mrs. Minnie Gay Malcolm of New York has filed a petition in the Equity Division of the City Court seeking to get possession of her children who are in the custody of Mrs. Mack Etheridge at Evergreen.

On July 11, 1898, the plaintiff was divorced from Willis Darby and her husband was given custody of the two children. Gay Darby and Willis Darby, Jr. Since that time she has married Dr. P. E. D. Malcolm and lives with him in New York City.

Willis Darby died on July 5, 1905, and Mrs. Etheridge, who is his sister, took the children. Mrs. Malcolm says in her bill that she has tried time and again to persuade Mrs. Etheridge to turn the children over to her, claiming that it is to their best interests. Meeting with a refusal every time she has filed this petition to have the decree of the courts changed.

Courier-Post (Camden, New Jersey) 21 Jan 1916 Tue page 3**ALLOWANCE CUT, ASKS SEPARATION**

New York, Jan. 31 - To find your husband yawning in your presence and being frankly weary of you is a form of cruelty which is accentuated by his vivacity in the company of other women, in the opinion of Mrs. Minnie Cay Malcolm, who asked a separation yesterday in the Supreme Court from Dr. Percy E. D. Malcolm, physician.

"Our married life was fairly pleasant and happy until the summer of 1906," she says, "when a change came over my husband and he became inattentive, quarrelsome, and abusive. I called him to account when I learned that he was paying attention to other women and he did not deny the charge."

In June 1914, she says, they made a separation agreement by which Dr. Malcolm was to pay \$350 a month to her for the remainder of her life. The payments were regular until last November, when, Mrs. Malcolm asserts, her husband cut the allowance to \$200 a month.

**Children of MINNIE LEE GAY and WILLIS DARBY:
(See Generation three)**

- i. **21. FRANCIS GAY DARBY** was born Aug 04 1893 in Montgomery, Montgomery, Alabama, USA and died May 31 1989 in Ocala, Marion, Florida, USA
- ii. **22. WILLIS CARY DARBY** was born May 18 1896 in Montgomery, Montgomery, Alabama, USA and died Jul 30 1990 in Fort Myers, Lee, Florida, USA.

7. FRANCES JULIUS GAY was born Aug 04 1877 in Montgomery, Montgomery, Alabama and died Mar 08 1944 in Montgomery, Montgomery, Alabama. She married **OLIN KIRKLAND** Nov 02 1904 in Montgomery, Alabama, USA. He was born Feb 07 1876 in Abbeville, Henry, Alabama, USA and died Dec 31 1969 in Montgomery, Montgomery, Alabama, USA. He was the son of **EDWARD "TUCK" SEMORE KIRKLAND** and **SARAH M. "SALLIE" BLACKLEDGE**. No known children.



Source: Genealogies of the Clark, Parks, Brockman and Dean, Davis and Goss Families. Henry William Clark, 1905, page 78

Frances Julius Gay was born in Montgomery, Alabama on August 4, 1877. She attended the convent school in Montgomery until 1891, then went east to Evelyn College, Princeton, New Jersey, where she remained until 1897. The following autumn she returned to the east and took a finishing course of modern languages and music at the private school of Miss Leslie Morgan at 15 West 86th Street, New York City.

The Montgomery Advertiser 3 Nov 1904 Thu page 9

SOCIAL AFFAIRS

Kirkland - Gay

Among the conspicuous events of the early fall, owing to the high social standing of both families, was the lovely wedding of Miss Frances Gay to Dr. Olin Kirkland, which was solemnized last evening, November 3, at 8 o'clock, in the First Baptist Church, Dr. Charles A Stakely officiating.

The handsomely decorated church was filled with a gathering from the social world of Montgomery, in the midst of which the bride has moved with the admiration of many friends for several seasons. The church was bright with palms, chrysanthemums, and other floral decorations. Selections of delightful music beguiled the waiting guests, rendered by Mr. Thomas Calloway, whose delicacy of touch and expression has made the pleasure of Montgomerians many times this winter.

The bridal party entered to the strains of Tannhauser's wedding march and was led by the ushers walking two abreast. They were Messrs. William I Whiteman, Dr. George A. Dennis, Robert Teague, William Van Pelt, A.J. Jones, Dr. A.C. Kirkpatrick.

The bride's gown was of white liberty mousseline with medallions and trimmings of real lace and fleecy chiffon, and though very elaborate, was made to retain the simple effect. Some elegant jewels held the veil in place. She carried an exquisite shower bouquet of bride's roses and plumosa.

There were no maids of honor, and the bride entered with the groom, both advancing to the altar, where they were met by Dr. Stakely. Soft music emphasized the impressive words of the minister, and at the end of the brief ceremony, Mendelsohn's march burst forth with glad notes as the party left the church.

Mr. and Mrs. Olin Kirkland left the city at 9:30 for a trip to New Orleans and other points. They are to make their home in Montgomery.



The Montgomery Advertiser 28 Nov 1911 Tue page 5

Mrs. Olin Kirkland, who was awarded the prize by the committee which reported at the Mobile Convention of Alabama Federation Women's Clubs the name of the winner of the best paper of the year, was before her marriage Miss Frances Gay of this city. In 1891, she attended a preparatory school at Princeton, N.J., and was then entered the Evelyn College, Princeton, where she studied for another term of three years. She then went to New York City for a year in a finishing school, following this with a summer abroad. The educational advantages of Evelyn College are comparable to those of the great universities in that city, and the work done by Mrs. Kirkland was borne good results. She was a charter member of the Twentieth Century Club of Montgomery, which was organized three years ago, and while that organization was studying the Victorian Era, her paper on "The great educational institutions at home and abroad" was deemed worthy of preservation as one of the three best papers given during the year.

On January 15th of this year, Mrs. Kirkland read her paper of "Browning and Tennyson, a comparative study". This is the paper that was given the honor at the Mobile Convention and which has brought Mrs. Kirkland into an enviable position among club women.

Montgomery is proud of the distinction won by one of her daughters and the club women of the city are congratulating themselves that once more the best club paper in the state has been written by one of their members. This is the fourth time the capital City has captured the prize, once by Miss Dolly Kirk, once by Miss Frances Nimmo Green, once by Mrs. W.H. Hudson, now living in Atlanta, and now by Mrs. Kirkland. The paper will be read at the convention to be held next fall in Decatur.

Montgomery Advertiser, Mar 9, 1944, Thu. page 7

KIRKLAND, Mrs. Frances Gay, 68, wife of Dr. Olin Kirkland, died at the home, 107 Gilmer Avenue, Wednesday, at 6:45 p.m. after a long illness. Mrs. Kirkland was a lifelong resident of Montgomery and was a member of the First Baptist Church. Surviving besides her husband is one brother, William D. Gay, of St. Petersburg, Fla. The funeral will be held from Memory Chapel today at 3 p.m. The Rev. Peirce N. McDonald will officiate. The burial will be in Green-wood Cemetery.

The Montgomery Advertiser 9 Mar 1944 Thu page 7

Mrs. Olin Kirkland Passes At Home

Mrs. Frances Gay Kirkland, 68, wife of Dr. Olin Kirkland, nationally known dental surgeon, died at the family residence, 107 Gilmer Avenue ay 6:45 p.m. last night after a prolonged illness.

Mrs. Kirkland, well known as a social worker and club woman, having been president of Montgomery's federated women's clubs, had been invalidated by her illness for the past few years. She was the daughter of Julius Brown Gay of a pioneer Montgomery family, interested in the city's early development and a prominent businessman following the War Between the States.

Surviving besides Dr. Kirkland is one brother, William D. Gay of St. Petersburg, Fla.

The Montgomery Advertiser 1 Jan 1970 Thu page 1

DR. KIRKLAND DIES AT 93; GRAVESIDE RITES SET TODAY

Graveside services for Dr. Olin Kirkland, 93, who died late Tuesday at his residence, 1525 Gilmer Ave., will be held Thursday at 11:30 a.m. Burial will follow in Greenwood Cemetery.

Dr. Kirkland engaged in the practice of dentistry in Montgomery for 54 years, retiring in 1956 with many of the highest honors ever bestowed on an Alabama dental specialist.

Born in Abbeville in 1876, he earned his degree from Atlanta Southern Dental College and centered his interest in the treatment of pyorrhea. He perfected a surgical treatment that won world renown as the Modified Flap Operation.

Dr. Kirkland served as president of the Alabama Dental Assn., vice president and trustee of the American Dental Assn., president of the American Academy of Periodontology, and a member of the International College of Dentists. He wrote numerous articles for professional journals and textbooks and lectured for many years at colleges and universities throughout the world. He was a member of the First Methodist Church, a charter member of the Kiwanis Club of Montgomery, president of the Montgomery Country Club from 1923 to 1929, and active for years in the Masonic Order, Shrine, Knights of Pythias, and the Unity Club.

Dr. Kirkland was an avid golfer during his active life and followed the sport through the news media in his declining years. He suffered a stroke six years ago and was confined to a wheelchair until his death.

Generation 3

Children of Charles Linn Gay, Sr.

8. IDA BELLE GAY and her twin sister, Annie Laurie Gay were born Jun 09 1890 in Dadeville, Montgomery, Alabama, USA. Annie Laurie did not survive birth. Ida died Jul 13 1932 in Watertown, Middlesex, Massachusetts, USA. She married **STERLING RUFFIN CARRINGTON** Jan 06 1914 in Montgomery, Alabama, USA. He was born Feb 22 1890 in Durham County, North Carolina and died Sep 08 1974 in Watertown, Middlesex, Massachusetts. He was the son of **STERLING RUFFIN CARRINGTON, Sr.** and **URSULA ELIZABETH "Sula" LUNSFORD.**



Montgomery Advertiser 12 Sep 1909 Sun page 8

MISS IDA BELLE GAY LEAVES FOR COLLEGE

Miss Ida Belle Gay has gone to Gadsden where she will spend two weeks as a guest of Misses O. V. Johnson. From there she will go to Randolph-Macon Women's College where she will continue her studies this being her junior year. Last year Miss Gay received quite an honor, her picture being hung in the Hall of Fame of the College. She is an unusually bright young girl and her many friends have reason to feel proud of her success.

Montgomery Times 22 Nov 1912 Fri page 3

MISS GAY MAKES HER BOW TO SOCIETY

The weather, yesterday afternoon, was really "made to order," and even a debutante must have been satisfied for it was a true Indian summer. But within the handsome reception rooms of the Gay-Teague hotel, glittering lights and banks of blossoms made an artificial world that was very alluring to the senses.

Here, Mrs. Charles Linn Gay presented her young daughter, Miss Ida Belle, to general society. In the receiving line, with Mrs. and Miss Gay, were Mrs. Olin Kirkland and Misses Johnson of Gadsden - young cousin of the debutante.

Mrs. Gay was handsome in a rich robe of embroidered black crepe metor with exquisite laces; she carried white roses. Miss Gay was gowned in white charmeuse with gold embroideries and her flowers were golden chrysanthemums. Mrs. Kirkland was a strikingly handsome figure in white charmeuse embellished with lace and pearls; her flowers were pink Killarney roses. Miss O. Johnson wore a beautiful gown of gold-colored chrysanthemums, while her sister, Miss V. Johnson, wore taupe charmeuse and her flowers were pink chrysanthemums. Mrs. W. C. Oates, Jr., and Mrs. L.L. Hill presided at the nectar table, which was radiant with gold-colored candles under gold and crystal shades.

An orchestra furnished a background for the merry voices of many guests who came and went. A delicious two-course refreshment was served and the beautiful hospitality was most thoroughly enjoyed by the numerous guests.

Durham Morning Herald 25 Dec 1913 Thu page 1

MR. CARRINGTON TO MARRY Former Durham Boy Will Marry In Montgomery

The invitations to the marriage of Mr. Sterling Carrington to Miss Ida Belle Gay, of Montgomery, Ala., will be of much interest to his many friends in this city. Mr. Carrington is the son of Mrs. Carrington and is well known to the Durham people. He is a graduate of the university and also took a business course at Harvard. Since leaving the latter institution he has been in business in Chattanooga.

The invitations are as follows:

"Mr. and Mrs. Charles Linn Gay request the pleasure of your presence at the marriage of their daughter, Ida Bell, to Mr. Sterling Ruffin Carrington, on the evening of Tuesday, the sixth of January, at seven o'clock, at the First Baptist Church, Montgomery, Ala."

The Montgomery Times, 19 Feb 1919 Wed page 4

Mr. and Mrs. Sterling Carrington (nee Miss Ida Belle Gay, a charming Montgomery girl), are receiving congratulations on the birth of a daughter, whom they have named Ida Belle, for her mother.

The Boston Globe 13 Jul 1932 Wed page 10

MRS. STERLING R. CARRINGTON DEAD

WATERTOWN, July 13--Mrs. Ida Belle Carrington of 11 Stoneleigh Road, prominent in Southern circles in greater Boston, died early this morning of a heart attack at her home. She was the wife of Sterling R. Carrington of the firm of E.A. Pearce & Co., Investment, Boston.

Mrs. Carrington was President of the New England Chapter, Children of the American Revolution, and a former treasurer of the Old Belfry Chapter, D.A.R. She was prominent in Watertown as a member of the Thursday Morning Musical Club, the Watertown Women's Club, and active in the First Baptist Church. She was also a member of the Southern Club and the United Daughters of the Confederacy. Mrs. Carrington has been prominently connected with the Southern Club for the last ten years.

Surviving are her husband and three children, Ida Belle, 13; Ann Fairfax, 7; and Sterling R. Carrington Jr., 4. Also her mother and four brothers, all living in Montgomery, Ala.

Services were conducted at the house this afternoon by Dr. F. King Singer of the First Baptist Church. Burial will be in Montgomery, Ala. The family will leave for there tonight.

The Boston Globe 9 Sep 1974 Mon page 35

S. R. CARRINGTON, BOSTON FINANCIAL COUNSELOR, 84

Sterling R. Carrington, II Stoneleigh Rd., Watertown, a former investment counselor with H.C. Wainwright Co., Boston, died yesterday at New England Deaconess Hospital. He was 84.

Mr. Carrington was born in Durham, N.C., and attended the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, graduating in 1910. He graduated from the Harvard Business School in 1912 and joined Dictaphone Corp., serving briefly in their Worcester office before becoming New England sales manager.

Mr. Carrington moved to Watertown in 1926. He served as Birdseye Frozen Foods Co.'s director and treasurer, and as a director with the Massachusetts General Life Insurance Co. before joining

Wainwright Co. in 1935. He retired in 1970. Mr. Carrington served as vice chairman of the United Fund, president of the Harvard Business School Assn., and was a member of the Union Club, an organization of prominent law and business executives. He was a member of the Congregational Church in Watertown.

He leaves his wife, Anne; a daughter, Mrs. Idabelle Whitney of Chicago; a stepson, Mark Ashley, of Milwaukee; a stepdaughter, Mrs. Harold Rothermel of Franklin, Ohio, and 12 grandchildren.

Services will be private. Burial will be at Mount Auburn Cemetery, Cambridge.

***Children of IDA BELLE GAY and STERLING RUFFIN CARRINGTON:
(See Generation four)***

- i. **24. IDA BELLE CARRINGTON** was born Feb 18 1919 in Cambridge, Middlesex, Massachusetts, US and died Feb 25 1998
- ii. **ELIZABETH GAY CARRINGTON** was born Aug 07 1922 in Cambridge, Middlesex, Massachusetts, USA and died Aug 14 1922 in Cambridge, Middlesex, Massachusetts, USA
Died as infant
- iii. **ANN FAIRFAX CARRINGTON** was born 1924 in Cambridge, Middlesex, Massachusetts, USA and died Aug 21 1978 in Boston, Suffolk, Massachusetts, USA
- iv **25. STERLING RUFFIN CARRINGTON** was born Aug 24 1928 in Cambridge, Middlesex, Massachusetts, USA and died Aug 08 1966 in Chicago, Cook, Illinois, USA

9. CHARLES LINN GAY, Jr., was born Jun 03 1895 in Montgomery Co. Alabama, USA and died Mar 12 1957 in Birmingham, Jefferson, Alabama, USA. He married **(1) ANNIE O CARSON**. She was born Jun 05 1888 in Texas and died Apr 23 1976 in Santa Rosa, Florida, USA. She was the daughter of **THOMAS GARDNER CARSON** and **AILICE JAMES REYNOLDS**. Annie had three children from her first marriage to **MARTIN HOGAN SULLIVAN**, timber baron of Florida. Charles married **(2) MILDRED IRENE McCAIN** BEF Mar 23 1931 in Randolph, Alabama, USA. She was born Dec 05 1909 in Hollins, Clay, Alabama, USA and died Mar 20 1997 in Mobile, Mobile, Alabama, USA daughter of **WALTER `Mack` OSCAR McCAIN** and **MAMIE FORD**.



Charles Linn Gay, Jr., was a native of Montgomery and lived the last fifteen years of his life in Birmingham. He was a graduate of Sydney Lanier High School and attended the University of Alabama, class of 1917. He was a captain in the artillery corps in France during the First World War.

The Times (Montgomery Alabama) 18 Jan, 1923 Thu page 3

Sullivan – Gay

The marriage of Mrs. Annie Carson Sullivan and Charles Gay Jr., was solemnized Wednesday afternoon at 5 o'clock at the Southside Baptist Church.

The bride would radiantly beautiful in an imported costume of brown duvevne with trimmings of gold and accessories harmonizing. Mrs. Ludlow Elmore was her only attendant and Fred Ball, Jr, was this man. The ceremony was witnessed by only the immediate families. After a short wedding trip, Mr. and Mrs. gay will make their home at 99 Gilmer Ave.

The bride, though a Texas girl by birth, has made her home in Montgomery for a number of years, whereby the charm of her personality and her many splendid traits of character she is beloved by a legion of friends.

Mr. Gay is a sterling young man and owner of the Gay coal company. He belongs to a prominent Alabama family and served with distinction as captain of an artillery company overseas during the late war.

The Montgomery Advertiser 2 Oct 1957 Fri page 7

Chas. L. Gay Wins Gun Club Meet By Neat Exhibition

By crashing forty-nine clay targets out of fifty chances, Charles L. Gay, Jr., carried off the high scoring honors at the weekly meet of the Montgomery Gun Club held Tuesday. Gay missed a target in the early part of his exhibition, but his work was easily the outstanding feature of the meet...

The Montgomery Advertiser 13 Mar 1957 Wed page 21

BIRMINGHAM

GAY, Charles Linn, 61, 1502 Roseland Dr., Birmingham, died in a local hospital Tuesday. Funeral at Rideout Valley Chapel Wednesday at 3 p.m. Burial in Elmwood Cemetery with Rev. Calvin Pinkard officiating. Survivors include his widow, Mrs. Mildred M. Gay; daughter, Miss Elizabeth Alice Gay, Montgomery; two sons, Charles Linn Gay III, Fairhope, Lt. Gary S. Gay, U.S. Army, Germany; two brothers, Benjamin S. Gay and Bradford H. Gay,

Montgomery. He was in the field division of the Alabama Department of Revenue and a veteran of World War I. Rideout Valley Chapel directing.

Pensacola News Journal 24 Apr 1976 Sat page 12

Miss Annie Carson Sullivan Gay of Rt. 4, Milton, died at her home Friday. Mrs. Gay was a native of Texas and had resided in Santa Rosa County for many years.

Survivors include a son, Charles Gay of Daphne, Ala., two daughters, Mrs. Elizabeth Jackson of Pottstown, Pa., and Mrs. Julia Sullivan of Milton.

Funeral services will be at 3 p.m. Saturday at the Montrose Cemetery in Daphne, Ala. Burial will be in the Montrose Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that contributions be made to the Montrose Memorial Cemetery Fund.

***Children of CHARLES LINN GAY, Jr. and ANNIE O CARSON:
(See Generation four)***

- i. **26 CHARLES LINN GAY III** was born Oct 08 1923 in Montgomery, Montgomery, Alabama, USA. and died Jul 29 2011 in Fairhope, Baldwin, Alabama, USA.
- ii. **27 ELIZABETH ALICE GAY** was born Jun 25 1925 in Montgomery, Montgomery, Alabama, USA and died Apr 08 2012 in Pottstown, Montgomery, Pennsylvania, USA
- iii. **WYAN CARSON GAY** was born Aug 05 1930 in Montgomery, Montgomery, Alabama, USA and died Aug 26 1956 in Fairhope, Baldwin, Alabama, USA

Alabama Journal (Montgomery, Alabama) 26 Aug 1952 Tue page 16



GAY, Wyan Carson, 22, and a native of Montgomery, died at Fairhope at 5:40 a.m. following a long illness. Surviving are his mother, Mrs. Annie C. Gay, Montgomery; a brother, Charles L. Gay, Jr, Montgomery; two sisters, Miss Elizabeth Gay, Mobile; Mrs. S.M. Bauer, Mobile; two uncles, Benjamin S. Gay, and Bradford H. Gay, both of Montgomery; two great aunts, Mrs. E.W. Gay and Mrs. John F. Gay, both of Montgomery. He was a grandson of the late Mr. and Mrs. Charles L. Gay, a member of Cavalry Baptist Church, a graduate of Lanier High School and had attended two years of college at API in Auburn. He enlisted in the U.S. Navy in July, 1951 and was discharged in December '51. Funeral services will be held from White Chapel Wednesday at 10 a.m. with Rev. Clyde Kenniard officiating. Burial will be in Oakwood Cemetery.

***Children of CHARLES LINN GAY and MILDRED IRENE McCAIN:
(See Generation four)***

- iv **28 GARY STERLING GAY** was born Nov 22 1932 in Anniston, Alabama and died Jan 30 2002 in Gulf Shores, Baldwin, Alabama

10. BRADFORD HARDY` GAY, Sr., was born Sep 25 1900 in Montgomery Co. Alabama, USA and died Oct 08 1969 in Montgomery, Montgomery, Alabama, USA. He married **JOHNNIE MAE BROADWAY** Aug 01 1926 in Autauga County, Alabama, USA. She was born Dec 02 1904 in Cecil, Montgomery, Alabama, USA and died May 06 1973 in Montgomery, Montgomery, Alabama, USA, daughter of **CHARLES` Charley` H BROAD-WAY** and **MARGARET` Becky` REBECCA CLOUD**.



The Montgomery Advertiser 17 Aug 1926 page 8

GAY - BROADWAY MARRIAGE ANNOUNCEMENT MADE

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Broadway of Cecil, Alabama, announce the marriage of their daughter, Johnnie May, to Bradford Hardie Gay, of Montgomery. The marriage was recently solemnized at a quiet ceremony.

The bride, who is a graduate of Lanier High School, formerly made her home in this city, where she occupied a responsible position at the Fourth National Bank.

Mr. Gay is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Gay and is a member of old and prominent families. He attended Bingham Military academy, in Asheville, N.C., and later attended Boston School of Technology. He and his bride will reside at the family plantation in Tallapoosa county. He is extremely popular in Montgomery, his boyhood home.

The Montgomery Advertiser 23 Feb 1928 Thu page 6



Clerk's Ignorance Saves Day As Gulf Station Is Entered

The Gulf Refining Company's filling station at McDonogh Street and Madison Avenue was the scene of another holdup late Tuesday night, but as B. H. Gay, operator, didn't know the combination of the safe, and as he convinced the bandit of the fact, the station suffered no loss from the intruder's visit.

A young unmasked white man thrust a pistol into Mr. Gay's side and demanded that the safe be opened. The operator explained he didn't know the combination and only after considerable argument convinced the thug that he was telling the truth. Mr. Gay's life was threatened; but really not knowing the combination, there was nothing to do.

Finally, the bandit forced Mr. Gay to walk a block away from the station and turn his face toward a tree. "I'll shoot if you move," Gay was warned. And the operator, taking the bandit at his word, didn't move for several minutes. The thief has not been apprehended.

Alabama Journal (Montgomery Alabama) 20 Aug 1963 Tue page 11

A Journal Close Up

B. H. GAY

By Jhené Kovarik

Probably one of Rudyard Kipling lesser-known literary works is a poem entitled "Blue Roses." It isn't very long; it's just a couple of verses. The poem deals with a boy meets girl situation plot. He gives her red roses, but she refuses them and wants blue roses. So he searches the world over, but finally comes to the inevitable conclusion, roses are red, there are no such things as blue roses.

Times have changed since the days of Kipling. through grafting methods, horticulturists have come up with a number of color varieties, including pinks and whites, but still no blue roses.

Maybe B.. H. Gay of Montgomery will uncover what the lovesick youth in Kipling's poem failed to find in his endless search. A charter member of Montgomery Greater Rose Society, Gay is an avid rose grower and boasts of some 400 bushes and some 150 to 200 varieties in his yard at 935 Federal Dr. He will retire in two as manager of the Alcohol Beverage Control Board liquor store on Race Street in North Montgomery. Then the 62-year-old Gay intends to devote full-time to his love of roses. Gay foresees a goal of 1000 rosebushes which he hopes to attain in about five years. Then enter roses in flower shows throughout the country. He dabbles in grafting and has succeeded in crossing several varieties.

Like all fellow rose growers, Gay doesn't sell them, he grows them out of love for the beauty of a rose. "I give them away to people sick in the hospital or to people who just like roses." And too, he has his favorites. "I like South Seas best because of its beautiful quality of pink and white blends." However, he considers for peace rose to be the old standby. "It blooms all summer long regardless of heat or drought." Turning to red roses, gay says that the Americana is the best, noting that it was the 1961 rose of the year.

Gay spends nearly all his spare time in the three beds to the rear of his brick home which was built to specifications about three years ago. He waters them daily and can be seen at night with a flashlight pulling out nutgrass. Then he feed them once a week with his own mixture of fertilizer, changing the components depending upon the season of the year. Spraying is also a continuous effort.

A native of Montgomery, he attended local schools and graduated from the Bigham Military School at Asheville, North Carolina in 1918. He worked for the State Highway Department for a number of years before going into partnership with his brother in Gay's Coal and Grain Company in 1923. Later he was branch manager for the Mountain City Mills, Chattanooga, Tennessee, and then worked for Pratt Food Company. in Tampa Florida. Gay went to work for the ABC board in 1937 and has been manager of five liquor stores in Montgomery. Married and 1927 to the former Johnny May Broadway of Cecil, he has one son, Bradford Gay Jr., 33, a captain in the US Air Force stationed in England. Gay is a charter member of the Calvary Baptist church.

The Alabama Journal (Montgomery, Alabama) 10 Oct 1969 Fri page 3

GAY, Bradford H., 69, 935 Federal Drive, a lifetime resident of Montgomery, died in a local hospital at 7:15 a.m. Wednesday following a brief illness. Services will be from Leak-Memory Chapel at 4:30 p.m. Thursday, Dr. Henry L. Lyon officiating. Burial will be in Greenwood Cemetery.

Survivors include his widow, Mrs. Johnnie Broadway Gay, Montgomery; a son, Capt. Bradford H. Gay Jr., Robbins Air Force Base, Ga.; a brother, Benjamin S. Gay, Montgomery; four grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews. Pallbearers will be Eddie Ross, Charles Betts, Emmette Mote, Buddy Copeland, Gene Noble, George Stelman, Johnny Rhodes, and T. H. Hatfield Sr. Honorary pallbearers will be E.J. Azar, Tom Neill Jr., Dr. A.S. Zedanis, Dr. D. Hagen, Dr. H. Childs, and E.D. Jenkins.

Alabama Journal (Montgomery, Alabama) 8 May 1973 page 18

GAY, Mrs. Johnnie Mae (Bradford H.), of 935 Federal Drive, and a lifelong resident of Montgomery, died Sunday at 10:15 a.m. after a brief illness. She was a member of the Baptist Church. Funeral services will be 2 p.m. Tuesday from Leak Memory Chapel, Dr. R.E. Neilsen, and Rev. Mickey Castleberry officiating. The burial will be in Greenwood Cemetery.

Survivors include one son. Major Bradford H. Gay, Wright Patterson AFB, Ohio; three sisters, Mrs. G.B. Shellman, Cecil, Mrs. P. E. King, Waugh, Mrs. Phillip McWhorter, Shorter; one brother, K. B. Broadway, Cecil, Ala; four grandchildren; a number of nieces and nephews. Pallbearers will be Emmette Mote, J.T. Hatfield Jr., Charles Betts, George Shellman Jr., Harry E. Noble, Eddie Ross, Hardy Harris, Edmund J. Dowe, Honorary Pallbearers will be John H. Neill, Vance Walker, and Pugh Broadway.



*Bradford H. Gay, Sr., Johnnie Mae Broadway Gay, Bradford H. Gay, Jr. and
New step-son, Terry Hughes (about 1956)
Happy Birthday*

**Child of BRADFORD HARDY GAY Sr. and JOHNNIE MAE BROADWAY:
(See Generation four)**

- i. **30 BRADFORD HARDY GAY, Jr.**, was born Sep 27 1928 in Montgomery County, Alabama, USA and died Jan 13 2018 in Montgomery, Montgomery, Alabama, USA

11. BENJAMIN SMITH GAY was born Mar 03 1904 in Montgomery, Montgomery, Alabama, USA and died Dec 02 1982 in Montgomery, Montgomery, Alabama, USA. He married **PAULINE MABRAY JONES** Nov 21 1948 in Marion, Alabama, USA. She was born Jul 17 1908 in Camden, Wilcox, Alabama, USA and died May 16 2004 in Montgomery, Montgomery, Alabama, USA, daughter of **JOHN PAUL JONES** and **THEODORA MABRAY**. Pauline was married first to **BRYAN BRACH COOPER** and had by him one daughter, **PAULINE COOPER**.



The Demopolis Times 19 Feb 1928 Thu page 8

COOPER – JONES

Friends in Linden were notified this week of the marriage of Miss Pauline Jones, the lovely daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Paul Jones of Linden, and Mr. B.B. Cooper, Saturday, February 11, the marriage taking place in Mobile.

The bride is a member of the faculty of Arlington School and the groom is in charge of some Frisco construction work. Both Mr. and Mrs. Cooper are popular members of the younger set and have

scores of friends who are extending congratulations and good wishes.

The Montgomery Advertiser 7 Dec 1937 Tue page 2

B.B. Cooper

SELMA, ALA., Dec. 6 -- Bryan Branch Cooper, 41, for some years a highway construction contractor of Marion, Ala., died at his home there at 12:30 a.m. today, after an illness of one year, part of which time he was a patient in a government hospital. Mr. Cooper was a World War veteran and served with the famous Rainbow Division. He was born and reared in Livingston but had made his home in Marion for many years since where, up until his illness, he was employed by the State Highway Department. Surviving is his widow, Mrs. Pauline Jones Cooper, a teacher in the Marion grammar school, and a young daughter, Pauline Cooper; also, four brothers and two sisters. The body will be sent from the Breslin-Service Funeral Home to Livingston tomorrow, leaving here by train at 5 a/m. The funeral will be held shortly after the arrival of the body there, and burial will follow in the Livingston Cemetery.

The Selma Times-Journal 22 Nov 1948 Mon page 3

Mrs. Pauline Cooper And Ben S. Gay Are Wed

The marriage of Mrs. Pauline Jones Cooper and Ben S. Gay, both of Montgomery, was solemnized Sunday afternoon in Marion, former home of the bride. The ceremony took place at 4 o'clock in the afternoon at St. Wilfred's Episcopal Church, the Rev. L. Phillip Arsenault officiating in the presence of families and close friends of the bride and groom.

Decorations were confined to the altar, on which white flowers were used with greenery. The nuptial music was rendered by Commander D.M. Miller, organist.

Her attendants were her daughter, Miss Pauline Cooper, and the groom's niece, Miss Elizabeth Gay, of Birmingham, who wore fall ensembles with matching corsages. Bradford Gay, Jr., of Montgomery, served his uncle as best man and Charles Gay, of Birmingham also a nephew, was groomsman.

Immediately following the ceremony, Mrs. H.C. Howze, a close friend of the bride, entertained the wedding party and guests at her home. Coffee and confections were served.

After a trip to New Orleans, Mr. and Mrs. Gay will be at home in Montgomery. The bride is a grammar school teacher in the city public school system and the groom is connected with the State Department of Revenue. He is a former resident of Selma, having made his home here for a number of years while employed by the People's Bank and Trust Company.

Guests from Selma who attended the marriage were Mr. and Mrs. W.H. Plant, Sr., Mr. and Mrs. Louis Stack, Mrs. C.J. Burns, Sr., and Locke Allison.

The Alabama Journal (Montgomery, Alabama) 28 Feb 1973 Wed page 8

BEN GAY Journal Closeup ***By Stan Bailey***

After about forty years of counting money, Ben S. Gay of Montgomery is now counting camellias and roses. He retired Jan. 31 after 41 years in state service and says he has time now to devote to his hobby -- flower gardening.

Born in Montgomery, he attended Lanier High School, the University of North Carolina, Boston, and Harvard Universities.

He first joined state service in 1927 and served 11 years in the State Banking Department. He then worked four years in Selma with Peoples Bank and Trust Co., and returned to state service in 1943 as principal income tax examiner with the State Revenue Department. He has been with the income tax division since then, serving as supervisor of the corporate income tax section, the financial institution, excise tax section, and estate tax section.

He is married to the former Pauline Jones Cooper of Camden and has two married daughters. His wife is a teacher in a private school and plans another couple of years of teaching. "I'll go along with one more year, and when she's through we want to go to England," he says.

He is a member of the Episcopal Church of the Holy Comforter and has served as a lay reader and Sunday School teacher. The Gays live at 608 Park Ave.

The Alabama Journal (Montgomery, Alabama) 3 Dec 1982 Fri page 4

BENJAMIN SMITH GAY

Benjamin Smith Gay, 78 of 608 Park Ave. a retired state income tax supervisor, died in Baptist Medical Center after a brief illness. He was a lifetime resident of Montgomery. The Gay family one of the early families in the Montgomery area, according to Mary Ann Neeley, a local historian.

Gay's father, Charles Linn Gay, built the historic Gay family house at the corner of Noble and McDonough Street and was founder and partner of Gay, Hardy, Durr Drug wholesalers, Mrs. Neeley said.

Gay's daughter, Pauline Powell, said, "He was a prodigious reader, rose gardener, and played golf as long as he could. "He was very scholarly and could read Greek, Latin, and German," she a

added. Gay's niece, Elizabeth Jackson, said he was a grandson of Julius Gay. Julius Gay built the first apartments in Montgomery, the Gay Kirkland Flats, and the Gay-Teague Hotel, Mrs. Jackson said.

Gay was a member of the Church of the Holy Comforter, where he taught Sunday School for a number of years. He was a member of the Exchange Club and an alumnus of Harvard University and the University of North Carolina.

The funeral will be 2 p.m. Saturday at the Church of the Holy Comforter. Burial and a graveside service will be at Oakwood Cemetery.

Survivors include his wife, Pauline Jones Gay; two daughters, Pauline Powell of Waynesboro, Ga., and Cecile Gray of Westerville, Ohio, four grandchildren, and several nieces and nephews. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to the Church of the Holy Comforter or to a charity.

The Montgomery Advertiser 4 Dec 1982 Sat page 26

GAY, Benjamin Smith, a resident of 608 Park Avenue, and a lifetime resident of Montgomery, died Thursday, December 2, 1982, in a local hospital after a brief illness. Funeral services will be held Saturday, December 4, 1982, at 2 p.m. from the Church of the Holy Comforter, with the Rev. Robert Miller and the Rev. Fred Pinkston officiating. Interment in Oakwood Cemetery with Leak-Memory Chapel directing.

Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Pauline Jones Gay, Montgomery; two daughters, Dr. Cecile Gay Gray, Westerville, OH., Mrs. Pauline Powell, Waynesboro, Ga.; four grandchildren, Lillian Powell, Montgomery, Juliet Gay Powell, Bryan Branch Powell, Moselle Mabry Powell, all of Waynesboro, Ga.; one niece, Elizabeth Jackson, Pottstown, Pa.; two nephews, Gary Gay, Charles Gay, both of Mobile. Pallbearers will be Bradford Gay, Charles Gay, Gary Gay, Bryan Powell, John Barker, Bill Chambless, Clem Jones, and Arthur Jackson.

The Montgomery Advertiser 18 May 2004 2004 Tue page 10

GAY, Pauline Jones Cooper, passed away Sunday, May 16, 2004, in Montgomery, Alabama. She was born in Camden, Alabama in July of 1908, the only daughter of John Paul and Theodora Mabry Jones. Mrs. Gay grew up in Montgomery and graduated from Cloverdale High School. Later she married Bryan Branch Cooper and had one daughter, Pauline Holland Cooper. She graduated from Livingston University after Mr. Cooper's death and lived with her daughter in Marion, Alabama, where she taught elementary school until 1948 when she moved back to Montgomery and married Benjamin Smith Gay, now also deceased, and had a second daughter, Cecile Crovatt Gay.

After a few years as a social worker, Mrs. Gay returned to teaching first at Cottage Hill School and then at Bellinger Hill School. She finished her as a teacher at Montgomery Academy. In addition to her daughters, she has five grandchildren, of whom three are living and six great-grandchildren.

She was a longtime member of the Church of the Holy Comforter where she was a member of St. Ann's Guild and produced an annual Christmas pageant for many years.

Funeral services will be held on Wednesday, May 19, 2004 at 2:00 p.m. at the Church of the Holy Comforter (2911 Woodley Road) with Rev. Drake Whitelaw officiating, burial will follow in Oakwood Cemetery immediately following the service. Visitation will be held Wednesday, May 19, 2004, at 1:00 p.m. at the Holy Comforter Church in the McQueen Room. In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations be made in her name to Holy Comforter Church and or Holy Cross Episcopal school. Leak-Memory Chapel Directing.

***Children of BENJAMIN SMITH GAY and PAULINR MABRAY JONES:
(See Generation four)***

- i. 31. **CECILE CROVATT GAY** was born ABT 1950 in Alabama, USA

CHILDREN OF JOHN FLOYD GAY Sr.

12. ELEANOR TEAGUE `ELLIE` GAY was born Aug 14 1892 in Montgomery, Montgomery County, Alabama, USA and died Dec 22 1985 in Chevy Chase, Montgomery, Maryland, USA. She married **WILLIAM SPROULL GRAVES** Apr 03 1923 in Montgomery, Alabama. He was born Nov 26 1889 in Rome, Georgia, USA and died Jan 26 1980 in New York, USA. He was the son of **WILLIAM LEA GRAVES** and **REBECCA CALDWELL SPROULL**.

The Montgomery Advertiser 6 Apr 1923 Fri page 11

Gay - Graves

Of more than passing interest is the marriage of Miss Ellie Gay, the lovely and accomplished daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Floyd Gay, and William Sproull Gaves of Rome, Georgia and New York City, which was beautifully solemnized Wednesday evening at the First Baptist Church.

The interior of this handsome church was elaborately decorated in stately palms, ferns, cathedral candlesticks holding burning white tapers, and quantities of Easter lilies. At each side of the altar were suspended white doves, illuminated with incandescent lights, while the aisle posts were marked with baskets of Easter lilies and burning white tapers.

Before the appointed hour, Prof. T. C. Callaway rendered a 30-minute organ recital, assisted by C. Guy Smith, Tenor, who sang "Oh Perfect Love" and Mrs. Fannie Marks Seibels, violinist, who played "Souvenir."

To the strains of Lohengrin's bridal chorus, the bridal party entered, led by the ushers, Crewell Graves, Miller Sproull, Creswell Sproull, John Floyd Gay Jr., William Teague Gay, and Dr. Olin Kirkland. They were followed by the maid of honor, this is Albert B. Clark of Charlotte, who was becomingly attired in a gown of gold cloth, caring a shower bouquet of pink and lavender sweet peas. Next entered the dainty little flower girls, Little Elizabeth Teague Beasley in pink Georgette and Little Katherine Creswell Clark in blue Georgette, each carrying a colonial bouquet of lavender and pink sweet peas and lilies of the valley. Preceding the bride was her sister and maid of honor, Miss Julia Scarborough Gay wearing orchid chiffon and silver lace. Her flowers were lavender and pink sweet peas showered with lilies of the valley.

The bride entered with her father, John Floyd Gay, by whom she was given in marriage. She was a picture of girlish beauty in her wedding gown of white duchess satin. Her veil of Spanish lace, which also formed her train, was caught to her hair with wreaths of orange blossoms, and she carried a shower bouquet of lilies of the valley. They were met at the altar by the groom and his best man, Edward Anthony Heard, Jr., of New York and Rome, Georgia. The impressive ceremony and ring service were performed by Dr. Charles Stakely.

Immediately following the wedding, the parents of the bride, Mr. and Mrs. Gay, entertained at an informal reception at their home on South Perry St. in honor of the young couple where only the closest friends, relatives, and out-of-town guests were present.

Among those from other cities who came for the wedding were; Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Graves of Rome, Georgia, parents of the groom; Mrs. B. T. Haynes, of Rome, Mr. and Mrs. Albert B. Clark and little daughter Katherine, of Charlotte, North Carolina; Mrs. F. M. Mosley and Frank Mosley, of Union Springs; Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Teague of Columbus, Georgia.

After an extended wedding tour in the west, Mr. and Mrs. Graves will make their home in New York.

Daily News (New York City) 28 Jan 1960 Thu page 452

W. Sproull Graves

Services will be held at 3 p.m. today at the Orville T. Cronk Garden Chapel, 15th St. Garden City, L.I. for W. Sproull Graves, 70, retired vice president of the Morgan Guarantee Trust Co. of New York, who died Tuesday.

Alabama Journal (Montgomery, Alabama), Tue 24 Dec 1985 page 11

GRAVES, Ellie Gay, daughter of the late Julia Teague and John Floyd Gay, died December 22, 1985, in Chevy Chase, MD. Survivors include her daughter, Ann Graves Gagarin, Chevy Chase, MD, one son, William Graves, Colorado; eight grandchildren.

***Children of ELEANOR TEAGUE `ELLIE` GAY and WILLIAM SPROULL GRAVES:
(See Generation four)***

- i. **32 WILLIAM LEA GRAVES** was born May 26 1924 in New York, New York and died Sep 17 2010 in Boulder, Boulder, Colorado
- ii. **33 Anne Elizabeth Graves** was born Jan 08 1926 in New York City, New York, USA and died Aug 05 2019 in Chevy Chase, Montgomery, Maryland, USA

13. JOHN FLOYD GAY Jr., was born Jul 22 1895 in Hope Hull, Montgomery, Alabama and died Dec 05 1967 in Birmingham, Jefferson, Alabama. He married **DOROTHY ROSE `ETHEL` MITCHELL** Apr 14 1929 in Montgomery, Alabama. She was born Jul 20 1896 in Hamilton, Wentworth Co., Ontario, Canada and died Aug 1980 in Birmingham, Jefferson, Alabama, USA. She was the daughter of **FREDERICK "Fred" G. MITCHELL** and **CATHERINE "Kate" AMELIA BASSETT**.



The Montgomery Times 5 Sep. 1910, Mon. page 2

John Floyd Gay Jr., eldest son of Mr. J.F. Gay, a well known insurance broker of Montgomery, will leave the city Tuesday for Marietta Georgia, where he will attend school at bthe River Side Military School.

The Montgomery Advertiser 11 Mar 1915, Thu page 6

**GAY'S FOOT CRUSHED IN FREIGHT ELEVATOR
Heel is Badly Torn But Amputation Does Not Seem Necessary**

John F. Gay Jr., 543 South Perry St., was seriously injured yesterday afternoon when his foot caught in a running freight elevator at the Teague hardware company, where he worked and was badly crushed. The young man was going up on the elevator when the back of his foot caught against the stationary shaft braces, and a portion of his heel was torn off. He was carried to Saint Margaret's hospital Where it is but there will be no necessity of amputating the foot. Mr. Gay is well known in athletic circles, being a guard on the Court St., Methodist championship basketball team, and the YMCA team. He is the son of John F. Gay and is about 20 years old.

The Montgomery Times 17 Oct 1922 Tue page 1

John F. Gay, Jr, is in Montgomery to stay

It was erroneously stated in Saturday's times that John F. Gay, Junior, had gone to New York to make it home. Mr. Gay is assistant general manager of the Alabama auto company, and one of the most prominent young men of the local business world. He is very identified with business interests here, where

he has many friends both in the business and social world will be glad to know that he is here to stay.

Eugene Jackson Gay, son of Mr. and Mrs. John F. Gay, left Saturday for Hartford, Connecticut, to enter the insurance business. There are many friends who wish him much-deserved success.

The Alabama Journal (Montgomery, Alabama) 7 Dec. 1987 Thu. Page 17

MONTGOMERIAN KILLED IN WRECK

John Floyd Gay, 72, a former resident of Montgomery, died Tuesday afternoon after he was involved in an automobile accident in Birmingham.

His brother, William Teagye Gay, lives at 1513 College Ct. and his sister, Miss Julia S. Gay lives at 351 Felder Ave.

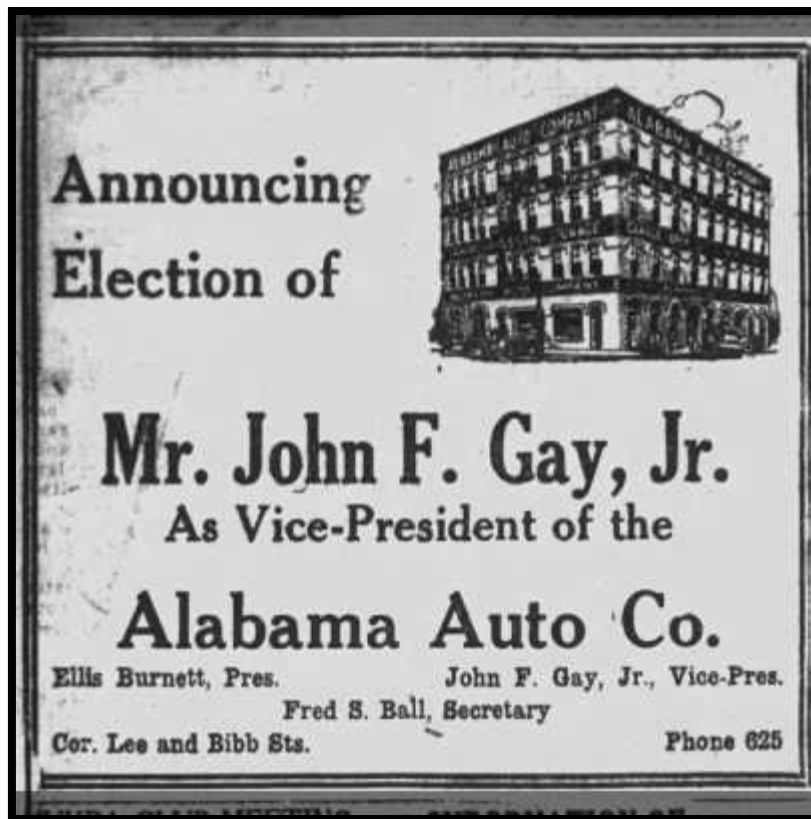


He will be buried at graveside services at Oakwood Cemetery Annex in Montgomery.

The Montgomery Advertiser 8 Dec 1967 Fri page 2

Birmingham

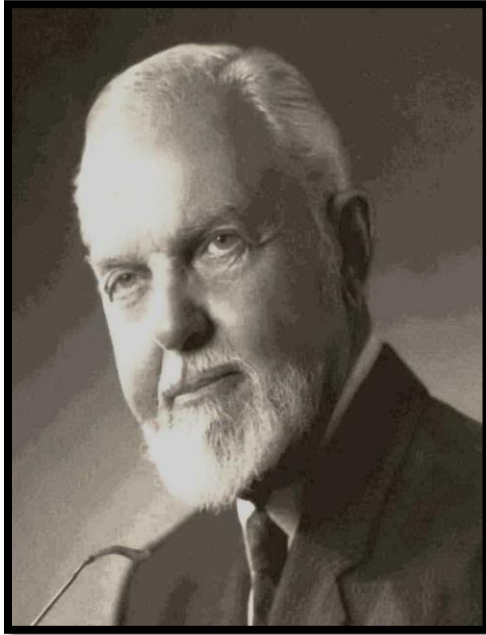
Gay, John Floyd, 72, a businessman and a resident of Birmingham, formally of Montgomery, died Tuesday afternoon following an automobile accident. Survivors include his widow, Mrs. Dorothy Gay, Birmingham; a son, John Floyd Gay III, Birmingham; a daughter, Miss Dorothy Gay, Birmingham; two sisters, Miss Julia S. Gay, Montgomery, and Mrs. William Sproull Graves, Chevy Chase, Maryland; two brothers, William T. Gay Montgomery, and Eugene Jackson Gay, Hollywood, Florida; and several other relatives. Graveside services will be Friday at 2:30 PM from Oakwood Cemetery Annex, Montgomery, with the Rev. J. R. White officiating.



***Children of JOHN FLOYD GAY Jr. and DOROTHY ROSE `ETHEL` MITCHELL:
(See Generation four)***

- i. **34 JOHN FLOYD GAY III** was born Apr 04 1930 in Birmingham, Jefferson, Alabama, USA and died Feb 28 2016 in Alabama, USA
- ii. **35 DOROTHY A GAY** was born Dec 21 1936 in Birmingham Junction, Alabama, USA and died Jan 22 1995 in Birmingham, Jefferson, Alabama, USA

14. WILLIAM TEAGUE GAY was born Sep 29 1899 in Montgomery, Montgomery, Alabama, USA, and died Nov 21 1981 in Montgomery, Montgomery, Alabama, USA. He married **EVELENA `Lena` CLAIRE BUTLER** Dec 20 1922 in Birmingham, Jefferson County, Alabama, USA. She was born Jan 11 1905 in Greenville, Butler, Alabama, USA, and died Oct 20 1945 in Atlanta, Fulton, Georgia, USA. She was the daughter of **WILLIAM OSBORNE BUTLER** and **LILLIAM OLIVE DePRIEST**.



Greenville Advocate, 3 Jan 1923 Wed, page 3

BUTLER - GAY

A marriage that came as a great surprise to their many friends here was that of Miss Lena Claire Butler to Mr. William Teague Gay of Montgomery, which took place at the Tutwiler Hotel in Birmingham on Dec. 30th. Rev. Stevenson officiating. Only a few close friends were present at the ceremony.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Gay are students at the University. The groom graduated there two years ago and went back for a law course and will complete that in June. The bride was a junior. They had intended to wait until both had completed their college courses, but decided just before the

Christmas holidays to get married in Birmingham on their way home and did so.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Butler of this city, and one of the most popular young ladies of the younger set, talented, with a quick mind and a lovable disposition. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Gay of Montgomery and is one of the most popular young men of that city. Their many friends wish them every happiness.



Greenville Advocate, 25 Oct 1945 Thu page 11

MRS. WILLIAM T. GAY

Mrs. Lena Claire Butler, wife of Captain William T. Gay of Montgomery, died in a hospital in Atlanta at eleven o'clock last Saturday morning following a brief illness.

Mrs. Gay was born in Greenville, Alabama, the daughter of Mrs. William O. Butler and the late Mr. Butler. She was educated in the schools of Greenville and the Alabama College, Montevallo. She was a member of the Baptist Church.

The family resided in North Carolina for several years before returning to Montgomery, where they have lived for some time. Captain has been stationed at Maxwell Field for the greater part of the time since he went into service when the United States entered the war.

Relatives and a large circle of friends here learn of her death with sincere regret.

Surviving are her husband; three sons, William T. Gay Jr., Robert S. Gay, and G. Marion Gay and a daughter, Miss Frances J. Gay of Montgomery; her mother, Mrs. W. O. Butler, Kilgore; Col. William O. Butler Jr., U.S. Army; four sisters, Mrs. J. C. Tucker, Kilgore, Texas, Mrs. T. A. Walthall, Newbern, Alabama; Mrs. John M. Mahone, Newport, R.I.; Mrs. J. C. Thomas, Adel, Ga.



Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Frank Tripp, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Montgomery, at four o'clock Sunday afternoon from Memory Chapel, with burial in Oakwood Annex, Montgomery.

The Montgomery Advertiser 9 Nov, 1958 Sun page 37

WILLIAM GAY TO ADDRESS DAR CHAPTERS

William Teague Gay will be the guest speaker for the Peter Furney chapter of DAR in a joint meeting with the Anne Phillips and William Bibb chapters Wednesday at 3 p.m. in the Women's Club.

Mr. Gay will review the book "Masters of Deceit" by J. Edgar Hoover, director of the FBI, on communism in this country. Following the review, an open discussion will be held.

Mr. Gay, who was appointed to the United States Naval Academy, resigned after two years in order to pursue a liberal education. He received a B.S. degree in science and LLB. degree and a Master's degree in English and American Literature all from the University of Alabama. He served

as a captain in the Air Force in World War II and at the close of the war was the orientation and information officer at Maxwell Field.

His poems have appeared in "Harper's Monthly" magazine, The Chicago Tribune, and The New York Herald Tribune. His latest work, a book, "Montgomery, Ala.: A City in Crises" has been published by a New York firm and is now on the market.

The Montgomery Advertiser, 25 Nov 1981 Wed page 22

GAY, William Teague, 82 and a resident of 1513 College Court, Montgomery, died Saturday, November 21, 1981, at 11:50 p.m. after a brief illness. Funeral services will be held Friday, November 27, 1981, at 11 a.m. from Leak-Memory Chapel, Montgomery, with Dr. Dale Huff officiating. Burial in Oakwood Annex Cemetery with Campbell's Funeral Home of Wetumpka directing.

Survivors include three sons, William T. Gay, Jr., Falls Church, VA, Robert S. Gay, Houston, TX, George M. Gay, El Cerita, CA; one daughter, Mrs. O Paul W. (Frances) Lyon, Ossining, NY; one sister, Mrs. William S. Graves, Chevy Chase, MD; 10 grand=children; one great-grandchild.

The Montgomery Advertiser 24 Nov 1981 Tue page 7

JOGGER, WRITER GAY DIES

William T. Gay of 1513 College St., author, retired college professor, and well-known physical fitness advocate, died Sunday at a Wetumpka hospital. He was 82. Gay, known for his Montgomery to Wetumpka runs and advocacy of running benefits long before jogging became popular, died of a heart attack. He was not running at the time of the attack, according to a friend.

At the time of his death, Gay held the world's record in the 100-yard dash for 76-year-olds.

His writing has been published in the Futurist and he wrote poetry for Harper's Poetry Digest, the Chicago Tribune, The New York Herald-Tribune and other magazines and newspapers. A book of Gay's verse titled "Montgomery, Alabama: A city in Crisis" was published in 1957. It was composed mainly during his Montgomery-to-Wetumpka jaunts.

"As late as 1979, he was running to Wetumpka from College Street and taking the bus back everyday, except Sunday...and maybe Saturday," said Ted Kluz, a friend of Gay for the past five years and treasurer of the Montgomery Track and Running Club. Gay was particularly disgusted by the waste Americans seemed to feel comfortable with, Kluz said.



"He would lecture all of us on how much we throw away. He would tell us about all the trash he saw on his run to Wetumpka," he said, noting that Gay predicted everyone would be required to separate their garbage into glass, paper and metals by the mid 1980s.

Very few people ever accompanied Gay on his runs, said Kluz. "It would probably be too much regimentation for him to call somebody and say, 'I'll meet you someplace at 1:30.'"

Funeral arrangements will be announced. Survivors include a sister, Mrs. William Graves, Chevy Chase, Md.; a daughter, Mrs. Paul Lyon, Ossining, N.Y., and three sons, William T. Gay Jr. of Falls Church, Va., Robert S. Gay of Houston and George M. Gay of El Cerrito, Calif.

The Montgomery Advertiser, 3 Dec 1981 Thu page 4

WILL GAY

Editor, the Advertiser:

William Teague Gay has written his last poem. I first met Gay when we were both colleagues in the Old Pre-Flight School training budding aviators at Maxwell Field. We were both a bit older than the others, but we found a mutual admiration and respect since we both wrote poetry, although mine was more of the coffee-house kind with intricate rhymes.

Gay was a gentleman and a scholar of the old school. During the years since we have become more or less friends. However, I best recall him for his wit. Back at Maxwell, he observed that a man who finished his assigned work ahead of time will invariably be given other people's work to complete.

It is an observation I have taken to heart. Bill, I salute you in affection.

Issaac Wy Allen
Montgomery

**Children of WILLIAM TEAGUE GAY and EVELENA `Lena` CLAIRE BUTLER:
(See Generation four)**

- i. **36 FRANCES JEAN GAY** was born Dec 22 1923 in Alabama and died Aug 08 1996 in Loudoun, Virginia
- ii. **37 WILLIAM TEAGUE GAY** was born Jan 01 1926 in Montgomery, Alabama and died Dec 01 1992 in Montross, Westmoreland, Virginia
- iii. **38 ROBERT STIRLING GAY** was born Sep 03 1927 in Montgomery, Montgomery County, Alabama, USA and died Oct 14 2018 in Naples, Collier, Florida, USA
- iv. **39 GEORGE MARION GAY** was born Oct 27 1929 in Montgomery, Montgomery County, Alabama and died May 04 2001 in El Cerrito, California

15. EUGENE JACKSON GAY Jr., was born Aug 24 1901 in Montgomery, Montgomery County, Alabama, USA and died Jan 14 1972 in Montgomery, Montgomery County, Alabama, USA. He married **JESSIE MAE ROLEN** Aug 08 1945 in Montgomery, Alabama, USA. She was born Sep 12 1913 in Montgomery, Montgomery County, Alabama, USA and died Feb 20 1994 in Montgomery, Montgomery County, Alabama, USA. She was the daughter of **JAMES ZACHARIAH "Zack" ROLEN** and **GAY FULTON FRAZIER**. No known children.



*The Montgomery Advertiser, 27 Sep. 1942,
Sun page 21*

Eugene J. Gay is stationed in Miami, Fla., with the United States Naval Reserve, having enlisted recently for duty with the Fleet Post Office in the capacity of mail specialist.

The Anniston Star (Anniston, AL) Sun, July 22, 1945

Engagement Of Miss Rolan And Mr. Gay Is Of Note

The engagement of Miss Jessie Mae Rolan and Eugene Jackson Gay, announced this morning, is of cordial interest.

The wedding will take place in the late summer and will be an event of note.

Miss Rolan is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Zack Rolan. She received her preparatory education in the schools of Montgomery graduating from Lanier High School. She received a Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of Alabama. At the University she was a member of Alpha Xi Delta Sorority and was outstanding in campus and student interests.

Mr. Gay is the son of Mrs. John F. Gay and the late Mr. Gay and is of the prominent Gay and Teague families. He graduated from Starke University School and received the degree at the University of Alabama where he was a member of the Sigma Chi Fraternity.

Both Miss Rolan and Mr. Gay are of families long outstanding in Alabama and the South. Paternally she is of Rolan and Curry families and through her mother, Miss Rolan is of Frazier, Dickson, Goss, and Wright families of Alabama and Georgia. Miss Rolan is a member of the College Club, belongs to other clubs with personnel of her contemporaries, and is widely popular.

Mr. Gay, who received an honorable discharge from the U. S. Navy, now resides in Hollywood, Fla., where he holds a government position .--*Montgomery Advertiser*.

Alabama Journal (Montgomery, Alabama) 18 Jan 1972, Tue page 16

GAY – Mr. Eugene J., age 70, a resident of 3312 Drexel Rd., and a native of Montgomery, died Friday at 1:05 p.m. in a local hospital after an extended illness. He was a member of the First Baptist Church. Graveside services were Monday at 2 p.m. from Oakwood Annex Cemetery with Dr. J. R. White officiating. Leak-Memory Chapel directing. Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Jessie R. Gay, Montgomery, Two sisters, Miss Julia Gay, Montgomery, Mrs. W. Sproull (Ellie Gay) Graves, West Providence, N.Y.; one brother, William T. Gay, Montgomery; three nieces, five nephews,

The Montgomery Advertiser (Montgomery, AL) 22 Feb 1994 Tue page 10

GAY, Mrs. Jessie Rolen, a resident of 3312 Drexel Road, Montgomery, AL, died Sunday, February 20, 1994, in a local hospital.

Mrs. Gay was born on September 12, 1913, in Montgomery. She was a member of the First Baptist Church, the Rebecca Sunday School Class & the Women's Missionary Union. She was also a member of the Ridgefield and Edgewood Garden Clubs. She graduated in 1936 from the University of Alabama and was a member of Alpha Z Delta Sorority.

Funeral services will be held on Tuesday, February 22, 1994, at 2:00 p.m. from Leak-Memory Chapel with Rev. Jay Wolf officiating. Burial will be in Oakwood Annex Cemetery.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Eugene Jackson Gay.

She is survived by her two brothers and their wives, James Fraser Rolen & Pat and David Zack Rolen & Hilda; four nieces and nephews, Julia Rolen Vinson, Gay Rolen Winters, Indian Harbor Beach, FL, James Frazer Rolen, Birmingham, AL and James Zack Rolen, II; nine great-nieces & nephews.

Active pallbearers will be James Frazer Rolen, Jr., James Zack Rolen, II, Craig Olin Vinson, Craig Olin Vinson, Jr., Mike Hill and Cliff Dixon.

Honorary pallbearers will be Alva Ray, Harry Snow, Charles Dixon, Raymond Boykin, Emmett Poundstone, Jim Hill, Frank Jehle, Will Martin, Ron Sellers, George Teague, Judge Joe Phelps and members of the Rebecca Sunday School Class.

Visitation will be at 3312 Drexel Road, Montgomery. Leak-Memory Chapel Directing.

Children of William David Gay

16. FRANCES LOLA GAY was born Jun 12 1898 in Montgomery, Montgomery County, Alabama and died Feb 01 1946 in St Louis, St Louis, Missouri,. She married **RALPH WHITMAN THAYER**. He was born Jun 24 1900 in Medford, Massachusetts and died Feb 12 1976 in Saint Louis, Saint Louis City, Missouri, son of **Lester William Thayer** and **Mary Elizabeth Lane**. No known children.



After the death of Frances, Ralph would marry again to **MARIE R. BARTSCH**

The Montgomery Advertiser 13 Jan 1923 Sat page 3

GAY-THAYER

A marriage that will be of great interest to many Montgomerians is that of Miss Frances Gay and Ralph Thayer of Boston, Mass. Miss Gay is the second daughter of Rev. and Mrs. William David Gay, who formerly made their home in Montgomery, where Reverend Gay was pastor of the Adams Street Baptist Church for many years.

Mrs. Gay will be remembered as charming Mary Belle Scott. She is a woman of remarkable intellect and social prestige. Mrs. Gay is honorary life president of the Southern Club of Boston, and in that capacity, she has endeared herself to all Southerners who have visited in the Athens of America.



Miss Gay is to be married in Saint Louis where both she and Mr. Thayer are in business. The ceremony will take place Saturday, January 12, at high noon in the First Baptist Church of Saint Louis. Dr. Britling will perform the ceremony in the presence of a number of friends and relatives. Mr. and Mrs. Thayer will leave immediately on an extended wedding trip after which they will be at home at the Hotel Biltmore, 3643 Washington Blvd., St. Louis, Missouri.

Miss Gay has often visited in Montgomery as the guest of her grandmother Mrs. T. J. Scott on South McDonough St.

The St. Louis Star and Times 03 Feb 1946 page 3

CHEMICAL AUTOPSY ORDERED IN MRS. RALPH THAYER'S DEATH

Further investigation by the police homicide squad and a chemical autopsy was ordered today in the death of Mss. Frances Gay Thayer, a prominent St. Louis welfare worker, who was found dead yesterday afternoon in her apartment at 4513 Lindell Blvd.

Mrs. Thayer, wife of Ralph W. Thayer, American Red Cross executive in the Orient, apparently had been dead more than 24 hours when she was found, according to her personal physician, Dr. Barrett Taussig, 4500 Olive St., who was called in by police. Coroner, Thomas F. Callanan said the additional inquiry was ordered after Dr. Taussig's examinations and a preliminary autopsy by Dr. John J. Connor, city coroner's physician, had failed to establish the cause of death.

The autopsy revealed Mrs. Thayer had suffered slight contusions of the forehead and a small hemorrhage between her forehead and skull, but Callahan said they were not serious enough to warrant death and there was no evidence of foul play.

"They could have been caused by a fall," he said, "and further investigation, including chemical analysis, will be necessary to determine the cause of death."

The coroner conducted an inquest this morning but no verdict was returned.

Discovery of the body yesterday was made by Mrs. L. H. Daily, apartment manager, who became alarmed when she did not see Mrs. Thayer for ten days. Mrs. Daily and John Stockman, a friend of the Thayers and also a tenant in the building, entered the apartment with a passkey. They found Mrs. Thayer lying in bed, clad in underclothing.

Mrs. Thayer was 45 years of age. A graduate of Radcliffe College and Boston University, she was at one time an official in the St. Louis League of Women Voters and the St. Louis Civil Liberties Committee. She also has served on the board of directors of the Missouri Welfare League, the Missouri Association for Social Welfare, and the Missouri Mental Hygiene Association.

Mrs. Thayer currently was serving as executive secretary of the St. Louis office of Russian Relief, Inc. She was appointed by the late Mayor Becker as a member of the women's committee of the Public Health Department and by Mayor Kaufman to the St. Louis Race Relations Commission.

Her husband, who has been serving overseas for the Red Cross for two years, is en route home and expected to arrive here on February 18.

In addition to her husband, Mrs. Thayer is survived by her mother, Mrs. Mary Belle Gay, Cambridge, Mass., and Clearwater, Fla.; two sisters, Mrs. H. A. Chandler, Chicago, and Mrs. B. M. Fullerton, Washington, D.C., and two brothers, W. David Gay, New York City and Kansas City, and Taylor F. Gay, New York City. Mrs. Thayer was a native of Montgomery, Ala.

17. MINNIE LOIS GAY was born Sep 15 1900 in Montgomery, Montgomery County, Alabama, USA and died Oct 02 1960 in Corpus Christi, Nueces, Texas, USA. She married **HAZAN ATHERTON CHANDLER** Jul 05 1929 in Albany, New York, USA. He was born Jun 30 1895 in Montpelier, Washington, Vermont, USA and died Sep 11 1971 in Corpus Christi, Nueces, Texas, USA, son of **CHARLES ELMER CHANDLER** and **CORA S PORTER**.
No known children.



The Corpus Christie Caller-Times, 20 Dec 1951 page 19

CHANDLERS TO SPEND YULE IN SAN ANTONIO

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Chandler, 3037 Topeka, will accompany Mr. and Mrs. George Adkins of Alice to San Antonio on Christmas Eve. They will return on Christmas night. The Chandlers will be seeing San Antonio for the first time. He is from Vermont and she is a native of Alabama.

The Corpus Christie Caller-Times, 3 Oct 1960 page 1

Mrs. Lois G. Chandler

The body of Mrs. Lois G. Chandler, 60 of 3037 Topeka, will be sent to San Antonia for cremation, and afterward sent to Montpelier, Vt., for funeral services and burial there.

Mrs. Chandler died yesterday at her home following a brief illness. She had lived here for 11 years.

Surviving is her husband, Hazen A. Chandler; one sister, Mrs. Bradford Fullerton of Vienna, Va., and two brothers, Taylor S. Gay of Long Island, N.Y. and William D. Gay Jr. of Tulsa, Okla.

The Times Argus (Barre, Vermont) 8 Oct 1969 page 2

SERVICE FOR MRS. CHANDLER

Committal services were held in the Green Mount Cemetery, Montpelier, yesterday for Mrs. Lois Gay Chandler who died at her home in Corpus Christie, Texas.

Her husband, Hazan Chandler, a former resident of Montpelier and brother to the late Dr. Charles P. Chandler, and her brother accompanied the body to Montpelier.

Attending the service from out of town was Mrs. William Wicker of Charlotte.

The Corpus Christie Caller-Times, 13 Sep 1971 page 26

Hazan A. Chandler

Funeral arrangements for Hazan A. Chandler of 3037 Topka, will be announced by Cage-Mills Funeral Home. Chandler was found dead Saturday in his residence. Dr. Joseph C. Rupom, Nueces County Medical Examiner ruled the death was due to natural causes.

18. DOROTHY WILLISTON GAY was born Feb 01 1903 in Montgomery, Alabama, USA and died Oct 05 1975 in Vineyard Haven, Dukes, Massachusetts, USA. She married **BRADFORD MORTON FULLERTON** 1928 in Cambridge, Massachusetts, USA. He was born Jun 17 1894 in Brockton, Plymouth, Massachusetts and died Jan 28 1972 in Vineyard Haven, Dukes, Massachusetts,, son of **ROBERT MORTON FULLERTON** and **JANE LANIGAN WHIT-THORN**.



The Boston Globe 16 Mar 1915 Tue page 6

FULLERTON WILL AGAIN LEAD HARVARD SWIMMERS

BRADFORD M. FULLERTON of Spokane, Wash, was yesterday re-elected captain of the Harvard swimming team for the next year. He is a junior in college. Under his leadership the Harvard team the last season developed further than any Harvard team in recent years. All the men who were on the team this Winter are sophomores or juniors and so will be back next year.

The Nebraska State Journal 19 May 1929 Sun page 1

COUPLE IS EXONERATED

Former Show Girl and Husband Have no Connection With Death



HARTFORD, Conn.- AP - Dorothy Day Fullerton, former Broadway showgirl and her wealthy husband, Bradford Fullerton of New York, were detained Friday night by the Greenfield, Mass., police "in a spirit of co-operation" with authorities investigating the mysterious death of Walter Treadway Huntington, Harvard student in Windsor, May 7, and were exonerated of any connection with the case in a statement by County Detective Edward J. Hickey Saturday night.

The Greenfield police stopped the Fullertons as they drove thru that town Friday in a big orange-colored sedan after recognizing the registration number that had been broadcast by metropolitan papers.

The police then telephoned to Mr. Hickey in Hartford and the Fullertons insisted that they should be questioned and were very desirous of having me talk with them so they could establish their

innocence," said Hickey.

"I talked with them both and the matter is closed," said the detective. "They have no connection with this case."

Children of DOROTHY WILLISTON GAY and BRADFORD MORTON FULLERTON:

- i. GAY W FULLERTON was born ABT 1931 in Manhattan, New York, USA.
No further information

19. TAYLOR SCOTT GAY was born May 24 1907 in Cambridge, Middlesex, Massachusetts, USA and died Jun 12 1962 in New York City, New York, USA. He married **BERTHA BRYCH**. She was born Feb 27 1914 in New York City, New York, USA and died Apr 21 1996 in Sebastian, Indian River, Florida, USA. She was the daughter of **WILLAMBRYCH** and **MARIE PAREZ**, immigrants from Bohemia.



Daily News (New York, New York) 13 Jun 1962 Wed page 84

A LIFE OF SPINSTERISH FRUSTRATION, AND NOW...

A woebegone figure in a badly wrinkled brown print summer dress, Mary Mullooly haltingly tried to describe yesterday the spinsterish frustration of a life lived in the shadow of a father who was a strict disciplinarian and a brother who was just as fiercely protective.

Mary who has walked with a limp since childhood, remembers that her father, a "tough Irishman," would "never let me go To a party without my brother, and I never did, until after my father died."

And then a year ago, at 40, she timidly began to have a little sedate fun, a "platonic friendship" with her boss. It was no more than a weekly dinner date and an occasional kiss, but on Monday night it erupted into double tragedy for her.

Just A Kiss On Occasion

The boss, 55-year-old Taylor S. Gay, \$89,000 a year oil executive, died of a pistol shot in the stomach. Mary's strict and righteous brother, James Mullooly, 41, who had taken over when their father died, is facing homicide charges for what many described as a horrible mistake.

"The most I ever did was kiss him on occasion," Mary tearfully protested. "There was no affair." "I had no idea this was praying on my brother's mind. When he was a little boy he would not tell a lie, and he always took his punishment. He is very righteous. He's always been that way, sort of strict, like my father."

She was talking in the office of Samuel Segel at 11 Broadway, whom she had retained to defend the stern, James Patrick.

"I will stand by him," she said. "My brother misunderstood, and he was very much upset. It's a horrible mistake. The whole thing was a horrible mistake. This with no love affair."

Then the terrible word comes

Then the word came to the quiet legal office that Gay had just died in Beekman - Downtown Hospital.

"Oh my dear God Mary sobbed Mr. Gay was a very fine man. Our relationship was only a platonic friendship, nothing more. He was a fine man and a very honorable person..."

She collapsed

Segel said Mary would be put under the care of a physician. Without elaborating, he said that James Patrick, who has a medical history, is ill and requires attention.

Oil Exec Dies of Shot; His Killer Just Smiles (Same paper)

by Edward Kirkman

Taylor S. Gay, \$89,000 a year or executive who was shut down Monday night by the brother of his brunette secretary, died at 3:30 PM yesterday in Beekman-Downtown Hospital despite a 20 hour battle by physicians.

The 55-year-old gay, vice president and head of New York operations for the Phillip Petroleum Co., received 43 pints of blood in almost continuous transfusions. Shot once in the stomach at 7:30 PM Monday in the Hudson and Manhattan Railroad terminal on Courtlandt Street, he spent five hours on the operating table, but surgeons were unable to remove the single 25 caliber slug.

His wife, Berta, 45, from whom he had been legally separated for five years, and their daughter, Georgeanne, 19, were at the hospital when he died.

Only a few hours earlier, his assailant 6 foot six James Patrick Mullooly, 41, smiling and seemingly unconcerned, had been held without bail in Felony Court on charges of felonious assault and Sullivan Law violation. He now faces is rearrangement for homicide.

For two years, the gray-haired 250 pound Mullooly had brought it because he thought Gay was paying attention to his sister, Mary, 41, his executive secretary the past three years.

Monday night, after they had dined together at the Downtown Athletic Club, Gay Mary in a hired chauffeur driven limousine to the H&M terminal so she could catch a train to Jersey City, where she lived with her brother at 40 Glenwood Ave.

Maloley, who had "smelled a rat" when his sister called earlier to say she would be late, went to the terminal. He surprised Gay outside the phone booth where Mary was trying to reach her home.

Then the weapon jammed

The hocking Mullooly shot Gay once with a pearl-handled automatic that he had bought two years ago in Colorado for that purpose, police said. He pulled the trigger again as Gay fell, but the fully loaded weapon jammed.

Calmly, Mullooly surrendered to an H&M cop, and later told Detective Raymond Devine of the Old Slip Station:

"The man needed killing. Somebody had to kill him, and I took it upon myself. I am a religious man. I didn't like the idea of a married man going around with my sister."

Only Thing He's Sorry About

The brother, who told police "the only thing I'm sorry about is that the gun jammed," had intended once before to shoot Gay, he related but lost his nerve when a policeman showed up. The cops also found in his pockets a round-trip ticket to Locust Valley, Long Island, where Gay lived at the fashionable Creek Club.

In court, Mullooly was represented by Samuel Segel of 11 Broadway, who said he had been retained by Mullooly's sister. She was not in court.

Segel described his client as "all gentlemen," and said there was no reconciling his character with what had happened. Of his unconcerned manner, Segel attempted to explain:

"The smiles, you see, are just a cover-up for how he feels inside. He's very much in shock."

Following the shooting, he disclosed, mMullooly had resigned his job as traveling auditor for the Great Lakes Carbon Corp., 18 E. 48th St., to save his employers embarrassment.

Gays wife, who lives in Manhasset, Long Island, said she had not seen him in five years, but as she waited at the hospital she defended his character.

A hearing for Mullooly had originally been set for next Monday, but after Gays death the district attorney's office said it will move in Felony Court today to have the case advance to tomorrow for a homicide arrangement.

Children of TAYLOR SCOTT GAY and BERTHA BRYCH:

- i. **GEORGEANNE GAY** was born ABT 1943
No further information.

"Tearful Georganne Gay, 19, is escorted from St. Edwards Hangary Church after attending Requiem Mass for her father."



Children of Edwin Wright Gay, Sr.

20. EDWIN WRIGHT GAY Jr. was born Feb 23 1891 in Montgomery, Montgomery, Alabama, USA and died May 21 1930 in Montgomery, Montgomery, Alabama, USA. He married **VERA AGNES COOPER** Jan 04 1920 in Montgomery, Alabama, USA. She was born Sep 30 1897 in Alabama and died Mar 03 1923 in Montgomery, Montgomery, Alabama, USA. She was the daughter of **ROBERT MAYES COOPER** and **FRANCES C. "Fannie" WILLIAMS**.

No known children.

The Montgomery Advertiser 5 Jan 1920 Mon page 2

MISS COOPER AND MR. GAY ARE MARRIED

A quiet wedding was performed at the home of Rev. W.R. Seymore on Highland avenue Sunday evening when the pastor united in matrimony Edwin W. Gay, Jr., and Miss Vera Agnes Cooper. Only a few friends were present. The bride is very popular and attractive, having a wide circle of friends who will be glad to learn of her newly acquired happiness. The groom is a promising young business man.

The Montgomery Advertiser 3 Mar 1923 Sat page 2

MRS. VERA GAY

Mrs. Vera Agnes Gay died at four o'clock Saturday afternoon at the residence, No. 17 Lassiter street. Mrs. Gay had made this city her home for over 14 years. She was a member of the Baptist church, and by her sweet nature had won many friends who will be grieved to learn of her death. She is survived by her husband, Ed W. Gay, Jr., father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. R.M. Cooper of this city; two sisters, Mrs. G.H. Invale of Eclectic, Ala., and Mrs. W.T. Jones of Florala, Ala. Funeral services will take place from the residence this afternoon at four o'clock. Interment will be in Oakwood Cemetery.

The Montgomery Advertiser 22 May, 1930 page 1

BROTHERS DIE ON SAME DAY Wylie and Edwin Gay Will Be Buried Here

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Both men were sons of the late Edwin Wright Gay, of Montgomery, whose death occurred less than a year ago. Both were members of the First Baptist Church here and were graduates of the Barnes School, Edwin later attending Alabama Polytechnic Institute, and Barnett going to the University of Alabama. They were joint owners of the Gay Furniture Company of Montgomery, located at 123 Commerce Street. Up to the time of his illness, Barnett held a position in the office of the United States engineer. Edwin went to New Mexico for his health several years ago.

Surviving Wylie Barnett Gay is his wife who was formerly Miss Louise Graham, of Meridian, Miss. The mother, Mrs. Edwin Wright Gay, Sr., is the only other survivor.

21. WYLEY BARNETT GAY was born Apr 30 1893 in Montgomery, Montgomery County, Alabama and died May 21 1930 in Montgomery, Montgomery County, Alabama. He married **LOUISE GRAHAM** Feb 19 1927 in Meridian, Lauderdale, Mississippi, USA.
No known children.

The Montgomery Advertiser 20 Feb 1927 Sun page 22

MARRIAGE OF MUCH INTEREST IS ANNOUNCED

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Benjamin Hare announce the marriage of their niece, Miss Louise Graham to Wylie Barnett Gay on Saturday, February the nineteenth, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-seven, Meridian, Miss.

Mr. and Mrs. Wyley Barnett Gay will be at home at four-thirty South McDonough, after March the first, at Montgomery, Ala.

This announcement will be of much interest to the many friends of both young people. The bride is the charming young daughter of Mrs. Alice E. Graham of this city and though living with her uncle and aunt in Meridian, Miss., has visited here quite often where she has many friends. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. E.W. Gay of this city. Mr. Gay holds a responsible position with the United States engineer's office.

After the wedding ceremony, Mr. and Mrs. Gay left for an extended auto trip covering several states, after which they will be at home at four hundred thirty South McDonough St.

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Children of Minnie Lee Gay

22. FRANCIS GAY DARBY was born Aug 04 1893 in Montgomery, Montgomery, Alabama, USA and died May 31 1989 in Ocala, Marion, Florida, USA. He married **(1) MARY CAMPBELL YOUNG** BEF Jun 12 1920 in Avoca Pennsylvania, USA. She was born Jul 08 1899 in Moosic, Lackawanna, Pennsylvania, USA and died Nov 30 1980 in Duval, Florida, USA, the daughter of **ARCHIBALD CAMPBELL YOUNG** and **NORA JOYCE**. Francis and Mary divorced in 1937. Francis married **(2) GLADYS WALKER** on Jun. 17, 1840 in Camden, Camden, North Carolina, **USA**. She was born Jan 29 1908 in Missouri and died Dec 13 1988 in Ocala, Marion County, Florida, USA. She was the daughter of **FRANCIS MARION WALKER** and **HATTIE WEBSTER**

The Tribune (Scranton, Penn.) 8 Jun 1920 Tue page 5

MOOSIC, Pa., June 7, - Miss Mary Campbell Young, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arch Young, of Main Street and Dr. Francis G. Darby, U.S.N., of Boston, Mass., were quietly married Saturday afternoon at the Presbyterian manse, Avoca, Pa., by Rev. Dr. D.T. Smythe. They were unattended.

The bride was attired in a blue traveling suit and wore a black picture hat. Following the ceremony, a wedding supper was served at the home of the bride's parents to the members of the bride's family, and the young couple left on a late train for Boston. The bride was one of the borough teachers and one of the most popular members of the younger social set of this town.

The Montgomery Advertiser 8 Dec 1918 Sun page 20

The friends of Mr. and Mrs. Francis Gay Darby will be interested to know of their return to the United States. Mr. Darby, chief pharmacist's mate, U.S.N, served in Haiti and Santo Domingo during the revolutions of 1915-1916 and was the first medical man ashore on the island of St. Croix. When the United States took over the Danish West Indies. He has recently received a medal of honor for work done on the island. Mr. and Mrs. Darby made their home at Christianstadt, St. Croix, but are now located in Cambridge, Mass.

Tallahassee Democrat 17 Oct 1933 Tue page 8

Real Estate Demand Improved, Kestner Says

Tallahassee real estate is in greater demand than for some months past, according to R.E. Kestner, local dealer. Kestner reported the sale this week of a brick home in Country Club estates to F.G. Darby, who recently located here. Darby is a retired seaman and after resigning from the U.S. Navy, chose this city for his home.

Children of FRANCIS GAY DARBY and MARY CAMPBELL YOUNG:

(See Generation four)

- i. **JOHN ARHIBALD DARBY** was born Apr 30 1922 in Guantanamo Bay, Cuba and died Nov 08 1944 in China Seas - lost with the submarine Growler

Tallahassee Democrat 15 Apr 1946 Mon page 8

JOHN A. DARBY DECLARED DEAD

John A. Darby, son of Mrs. J. E. Culpeper of this city, has been officially declared lost in action by the navy department as of Nov. 8, 1945.



A motor machinist mate first class, Darby was serving aboard the submarine USS Growler when it failed to return from a mission Nov. 7, 1944 in the South China Sea. A thorough check of prison camps failed to disclose survivors of the submarine and they have been declared dead, the navy said.

A posthumous citation to Darby, sent to his mother, commends him for "performance of duty which materially contributed to the success of the vessel against the enemy... and which was in keeping with the highest traditions of the naval service." The citation was from the commander of submarine forces while the letter of condolence was from Secretary of Navy James Forrestal.

Darby, who was 24 at the time of his death, resided in Monticello where he attended high school before moving to Tallahassee in 1939. In addition to his mother, he is survived by one brother, Gordon Darby with the navy in Cuba.

[*https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/USS_Growler_\(SS-215\)*](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/USS_Growler_(SS-215))

Growler's 11th and final war patrol began out of Fremantle on 20 October 1944 in a wolf pack with Hake (SS-256) and Hardhead (SS-365). On 8 November the wolf pack, again headed by Growler, closed a convoy for the attack, with Growler on the opposite side of the enemy from Hake and Hardhead. The order to commence attacking was the last communication ever received from Growler. After the attack was underway, Hake and Hardhead heard what sounded like a torpedo explosion and then a series of depth charges on Growler's side of the convoy, and then nothing. All efforts to contact Growler for the next three days proved futile. The submarine, a veteran of seven successful war patrols, was listed as lost in action against the enemy, cause unknown. Possibly she was sunk by one of her own torpedoes, but it is probable that she was sunk by the convoy's escorts, destroyer Shigure, and coastal defense ships Chiburi and CD-19.

Growler received eight battle stars for her service in World War II.



- ii. **40** **GORDON ATHERTON DARBY** was born Apr 16 1924 in Paris Island, Beaufort, South Carolina, USA and died Apr 20 2012 in Marianna, Jackson, Florida, USA

23. WILLIS CARY DARBY was born May 18 1896 in Montgomery, Montgomery, Alabama, USA and died Jul 30 1990 in Fort Myers, Lee, Florida, USA. He married **ELIZA LOCKHART TINKER** Nov 16 1921 in Birmingham, Jefferson, Alabama, USA. She was born 1901 in Florence, Lauderdale, Alabama, USA and died Dec 17 1987 in Birmingham, Jefferson, Alabama, USA. She was the daughter of **HARRIS WILLIAM TINKER** and **HATTIE BELLE LOCKHART**.

The Montgomery Advertiser, Sun., Jun. 29, 1919, page 10

Willis Darby of New York is visiting his cousin, H. D. Etheridge. Mr. Darby has been in the navy for several years and has seen active service on sub-chasers and destroyers, having been continually on duty in the war zone.

The Birmingham News 20 Nov 1921 Sun page 45

Darby-Tinker Marriage Solemnized

A pretty wedding event of last week was that a miserable as a tanker, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harris William tanker and Mr. Willis Carey Derby, which took place at St. Mary's-on-the-Highlands Thursday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock. Rev. Oscar DeWolf Randolph, officiating.

The church was decorated with ferns and smilax and large white baskets holding handsome yellow chrysanthemums.

The bride was given in marriage by her father. She wore a going-away suit of dark blue, with trimmings of seal. Her hat is black with feathers of blue and a corsage of white roses and valley lilies completed her costume.

Miss Harriet Tinker acted as her sister's maid of honor. She wore a costume of black velvet with a hat of black and carried an arm bouquet of yellow chrysanthemums tied with tulle of the same shade. The bridegroom was attended by Mr. Richard Eggleston as the best man. Prof. Allison presided at the organ. The ceremony was witnessed by relatives and close friends, there having been no cards issued for the event. After a wedding trip, Mr. and Mrs. Derby will be at home in an apartment on Phelam Street.

News-Press (Fort Myers, Florida) Wed, Aug. 1, 1990, page 19

DARBY, WILLIS C., 94, of North Fort Myers, funeral services in Birmingham, Ala., arrangement by North Fort Myers Funeral Home.

Children of WILLIS CARY DARBY and Eliza Lockhart Tinker: (See Generation four)

- i. **41** WILLIS CARY DARBY Jr., was born Oct 31 1923 in Birmingham, Jefferson, Alabama, USA and died Dec 21 2011 in Mobile, Mobile, Alabama, USA.

Generation 4

Children of Sterling Ruffin Carrington II

24. IDA BELLE CARRINGTON was born Feb 18 1919 in Cambridge, Middlesex, Massachusetts, USA and died Feb 25 1998. She married **MR. MEIER**. She married **MR. WHITNEY**.

The Montgomery Advertiser 19 Feb 1919 Wed page 4

Mr. and Mrs. Sterling Carrington (nee Miss Ida Belle Gay, a charming Montgomery girl), are receiving congratulations on the birth of a daughter, whom they have named Ida Belle, for her mother.

No further information

25. STERLING RUFFIN CARRINGTON III was born Aug 24 1928 in Cambridge, Middlesex, Massachusetts, USA and died Aug 08 1966 in Chicago, Cook, Illinois, USA. He married **MARY LOUISE MURPHY** Jul 26 1960 in Cook County, Illinois, USA. She was born May 07 1928 in Chicago, Cook, Illinois, USA and died Nov 08 1983 in Chicago, Cook, Illinois, USA. She was the daughter of **FRACIS "Frank" J. MURPHY** and **CELESTINE JOSEPHINE MATERN**

Chicago Tribune 9 Nov 1983 Wed page 8

CARRINGTON

Mary L. Carrington, nee Murphy, beloved wife of Sterling III, loving mother of Sterling IV, Michael (Susan), Francis, Raymond, and Mary Anne; devoted daughter of the late Francis J. and Celestine, nee Matern; dear sister of Francis Jr., (Dominica, nee Parisi); fond aunt of eight, Longtime Member of N.A.I.M. and secretary of United Auto Workers Union Local No. 6. Funeral Thursday, 8:45 a.m., from Bridgeport Funeral Home, 544 W. 31st St., to St. John Neopomucene Church. Mass 9:30 a.m. internment St. Mary Cemetery.

Children of STERLING RUFFIN CARRINGTON and Mary Louise Murphy: (See Generation five)

- i. **RAYMOND CARRINGTON**
- ii. **FRANCIS CARRINGTON**
- iii. **42 MARY ANNE CARRINGTON**
- iv. **STIRLING RUFFIN CARRINGTON IV** was born Jul 25 1959
- v. **MICHAEL R. CARRINGTON** was born Sep 18 1960

26. CHARLES LINN GAY III was born Oct 08 1923 in Montgomery, Montgomery, Alabama, USA and died Jul 29 2011 in Fairhope, Baldwin, Alabama, USA. He married **(1) MAMIE MARIE RAINEY** Jun 18 1949 in Birmingham, Jefferson County, Alabama, USA. She was born Jan 07 1928 in St Paul, Ramsey, Minnesota, USA and died Sep 1978 in Birmingham, Jefferson, Alabama, USA. She was the daughter of **HERBERT LYMAN RAINEY** and **MAMIE KATHRYN ROEMER**. Marie and Charles divorced Aug 1959 in Mobile, Alabama. He married **(2) CONCHITA DEA STAPLETON** Oct 1960 in Baldwin County, Alabama, USA. She was born Jan 11 1929 in Daphne, Baldwin, Alabama, USA and died Nov 26 2009 in Mobile, Mobile, Alabama, USA. Dea was the daughter of **ARCHIE CUMMINS STAPLETON** and **HELEN CONCHITA HAMMET**.



The Montgomery Advertiser 17 Oct 1943 Sun page 28

Aviation Cadet Charles L. Gay III, the grandson of Mrs. Charles L. Gay of 26 Noble Avenue, has recently completed the first stage of U.S. Army Air Force pilot training at the Hawthorne School of Aeronautics, Orangeburg, S.C., and has been transferred to Shaw Field, Sumter, S.C. for instruction at the Basic Flying School there.

GAY Daphne, AL. Charles Linn Gay, III,

long time Daphne resident and local legend, died at age 87 on Friday, July 29, 2011. Not only was he a true American hero, but he will also be remembered as a writer, poet, artist, designer, and a marvelous host and entertainer. He was a man devoted to his family, friends, community, and fun times. Charlie was born in Montgomery, AL and graduated from Sidney Lanier High School. In 1942 Charlie enlisted in the US Army Air Corps as an Aviation Cadet. He proudly served his country and earned the rank of Captain, flying B-17's over Germany. He was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross for his service.

While he attended Auburn University, after the war he earned a degree in electrical engineering from the University of Alabama. In his over 40- year career as a draftsman, Charlie was renowned for his home designs along the Gulf Coast. He was an Eastern Shore Chamber of Commerce Director, Commodore of the Fairhope Yacht Club, member of St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Daphne, and Ambassador of the Fairhope Welcome Center, where he touched many lives and told many stories.

He was preceded in death by Dea, his beloved wife of 50 years. His large and loving family includes his daughters, Conchita Kelley Bell Phillips and Katherine Gay "Casey" Zito and his son, John Michael Francis (Mary), all of Daphne; his sister, Elizabeth Jackson of Pennsylvania; grandchildren, Conchita Helen Doyle (William, Jr.), John Michael Francis (Amanda), Charles Christopher Francis (Chelsea), Sarah Francis Olsen (Rick), Hannah Elizabeth Zito, and countless other relatives and friends.

Graveside services will be held at 5:00 pm Friday, August 5, 2011, at Montrose Cemetery with The Rev. T. Dyson officiating. Full military honors will be rendered by the Baldwin County Honor Guard of the Gaston Lee VFW Post 5660. Pallbearers will be Rick Olsen, Chris Francis, Mike Francis II, William Doyle Jr., Gary Gay, Jeremiah Matthews, Frank Zito, and Carl Black. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Wilmer Hall, 3001 Old Shell Rd, Mobile, 36608. Funeral arrangements are by Hughes Cremation & Crematory of Daphne.

The Birmingham News 3 Jun 1949 Fri page 30

MISS MARIE RAINEY WILL BECOME BRIDE OF CHARLES GAY. JR.

Miss Marie Rainey and Charles Linn Gay, Jr., will be married on June 18 at 10 a.m. at St. Paul's Church. Miss Rainey is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H.L. Rainey and Mr. Gay is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Linn Gay.

Mrs. Myatt Harvill, sister of the bride, will be matron of honor, and Miss Pauline Cooper and Elizabeth Gay will be bridesmaids. Her father will give her in marriage.

Best man will be Donald Monroe, Tuscaloosa, with Wyan and Gary Gay as groomsmen. Ushers will be Herbert Rainey, Jr., Myatt Harvill, Sam Diamond, and Bradford Gay.

A wedding reception following the ceremony will be held in the Blue Room of the Tutwiler Hotel.

Mrs. Charles L. Gay will entertain the bride and bridegroom-elect with a tea, Sunday. Mrs. Donald Monroe and Miss Lucile Roemer will serve as co-hostess at a luncheon honoring the couple on June 17. An after-rehearsal party will be held June 17 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Myatt Harvill.

The Independent (Robertsdale, Alabama) 10 Dec 2009 Thu page 14B



Conchita S. "Dea" Gay, 80, a lifelong resident of Daphne, died Thursday, Nov. 26, 2009, in Mobile. She was a member of St. Paul's Church. Survivors include her husband, Charlie Gay of Daphne; two daughters, Casey Zito and Kelley Bell Phillips, both of Daphne; son, Mike Francis Sr. of Daphne; David C. Stapleton of Fairhope; five grandchildren, Helen Bell Doyle, Michael Francis, both of Daphne, Christopher Francis of Spanish Fort, Sarah Olsen of Fairhope and Hannah Zito of Daphne; and three great-grandchildren, Blaine Francis, Jackson, and Connor Olson.

A memorial service will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 5 at St Paul's Episcopal Church, Daphne. The family requests memorial donations are made to Wilmer Hall, 3811 Old Shell Road, Mobile AL 36608.

Arrangements are by Wolfe-Bayview Funeral Homes & Crematory, Daphne.

Children of CHARLES LINN GAY and CONCHITA DEA STAPLETON:

- i. **CASEY GAY**
- ii. **KELLEY GAY**
- iii **MICHAEL FRANCIS GAY**

27. ELIZABETH ALICE GAY was born Jun 25 1925 in Montgomery, Montgomery, Alabama, USA and died Apr 08 2012 in Pottstown, Montgomery, Pennsylvania, USA. She married **ARTHUR FORBES JACKSON, Jr.**, Aug 10 1958 in Andover, Massachusetts, USA. He was born Mar 23 1912 in Andover, Essex, Massachusetts, USA, and died Jun 25 1985 in Pottstown, Montgomery, Pennsylvania, USA. He was the son of **ARTHUR ROLAND JACKSON**, and **HELEN M. RITCHIE**.



The Montgomery Advertiser 14 Aug 1958 Thu page11

Miss Gay Becomes The Bride Of Arthur Forbes Jackson

Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Smith Gay, Montgomery, announce the marriage of their niece Elizabeth Gay, to Arthur Forbes Jackson, of Andover, Mass.

The ceremony took place, Aug. 10, in the Christ Episcopal Church in Andover. Mrs. Jackson was attended by her sister Mrs. Jesse W. Davis. Of Bessemer, and was given in marriage by her brother, Charles L. Gay, of Mobile, Mr. Jackson's best man with his brother C. Milton Jackson, of Andover. Eddie Coupe served as usher. Following the ceremony, a reception was held in the home of Mrs. Alex Ritchie, of Andover.

brother, Charles L. Gay, of Mobile, Mr. Jackson's best man with his brother C. Milton Jackson, of



Mrs. Jackson is the daughter of the Lake Charles L. Gay Jr, And the great-granddaughter of Julius B. Gay. She is a graduate of the University of Alabama where she was a member of the Alpha Gamma Delta sorority and received a master's degree from the University of Tennessee. She has been employed by the Alabama State Department of Pension and Security and until recently was a child welfare consultant for the State Department. She is a member of the Ninety-Nines.

Mr. Jackson is the son of Arthur R. Jackson of Andover. He is a graduate of Phillips Academy in Andover and of Yale University. While at Yale he was a member of Alpha Delta Phi fraternity and of the Berzalius Senior Society. In prep school and college, Mr. Jackson was an outstanding athlete in the field of track, discus throwing and the 16-pound shotput. He was one of the first winners of the 16-pound shot competition between Oxford, Yale, and Princeton. During World War II, he served as a lieutenant commander in the U.S. Navy. Prior to that, and since his discharge from the navy he has been on the faculty of The Hill, a boys prep school in Pottstown, Pennsylvania.

Mr. and Mrs. Jackson will make your home at The Hill, Pottstown.

Published in The Mercury on Apr. 11, 2012

ELIZABETH GAY JACKSON, 86, FORMERLY OF POTTSTOWN Elizabeth Gay Jackson, age 86, formerly of Pottstown, died on Sunday, April 8, 2012, at Spruce Manor, West Reading. She was the wife of the late Arthur Forbes Jackson, Sr. who died in 1985. For many years, they resided on The Hill School campus where her husband was head of the English Department. Born in Montgomery, Alabama, she was the daughter of the late Charles Linn Gay, Jr. and Ann Carson Gay. She was raised by her grandmother, Ida Belle Smith Gay.

She was a graduate of Sidney Lanier High School, Montgomery, Alabama, received her bachelor's degree from the University of Alabama where she was a member of Alpha Gamma Delta sorority, and received her master's degree from the University of Tennessee. Mrs. Jackson earned her pilot's license and enjoyed flying her airplane. In earlier years she worked for the Welfare Departments in Gadsden and Montgomery, Alabama before her marriage and moving to Pottstown. She also enjoyed playing golf, tennis and was an avid bridge player.

She was a member of the Pottstown YMCA. She was active in volunteering and supported many charities. She was also a member of the Brookside Country Club.

Surviving are a son, A. Forbes Jackson, Jr. and his wife Diane of Mohnton, PA, and five grandchildren, Andrew, Nicole, Elizabeth, Nathan and Seth. Also surviving are several cousins, nieces and nephews. Friends may call from 9:30-11 a.m. on Saturday, April 14, 2012 at the Houck & Gofus Funeral Home, Inc., 955 N. Charlotte Street, Pottstown, PA.

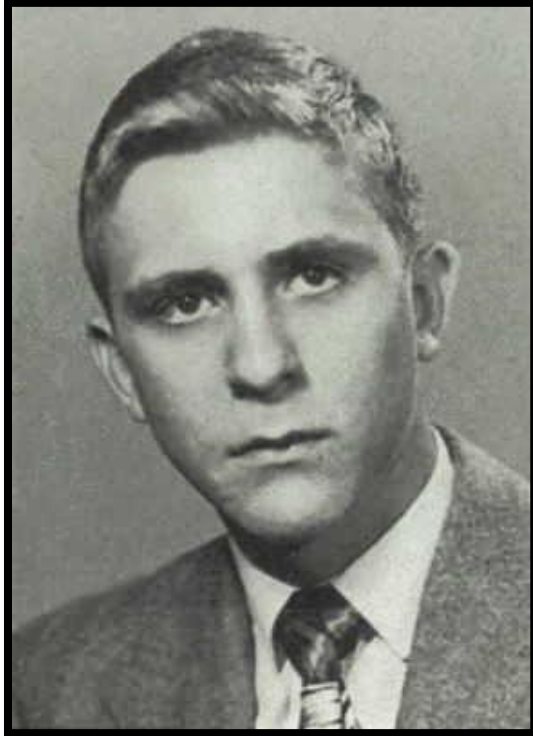
A graveside committal will follow at Mount Zion Cemetery, 225 E. Schuylkill Road, Pottstown, PA. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made the Pottstown YMCA, 724 N. Adams Street, Pottstown, PA 19464.

Children of ELIZABETH ALICE GAY and ARTHUR FORBES JACKSON:

(See Generation five)

- i. **43 ARTHUR FORBES JACKSON** was born Aug 24 1959 in Pennsylvania, USA

28. GARY STERLING GAY was born Nov 22 1932 in Anniston, Calhoun, Alabama, USA, and died Jan 30 2002 in Gulf Shores, Baldwin, Alabama, USA. He married **KAY H DOUGHDRIL** in May, 1953 in Mobile, Mobile, Alabama, USA. She was born Dec 12 1942.



Mobile Register 1 Feb 2002 Fri.

GARY STERLING GAY SR.

GULF SHORES -- Gary Sterling Gay Sr., 69, died Wednesday, Jan. 30, 2002, at South Baldwin Regional Medical Center. He was a native of Anniston and a resident of Gulf Shores. Gay was a graduate of Shades Valley High School, and a 1954 graduate of the Auburn University School of Engineering with a degree in industrial management. He graduated from the Army ROTC with a second lieutenant's commission. He served two years' active duty in Germany in the artillery division, and four years in the Army's active reserves, achieving the rank of captain. He was founder and president of Associated Drywall Inc., until his retirement in 1998. He served as a national board member of the Gypsum Rock Deck Foundation and served two terms as a board

member of the Alabama General Contractors.

Gay was also a past member of the Mobile Area Chamber of Commerce and a member of Kingswood United Methodist Church. He is survived by his wife, Kay Daughdrill Gay of Gulf Shores; three sons, Gary Sterling Gay Jr., Charles Daughdrill Gay and Benjamin Clark Gay, all of Mobile; one brother, Charles L. Gay of Daphne; and one sister, Elizabeth Gay Jackson of Pottstown, Pa. Visitation will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday at Bayview Funeral Home in Daphne. Funeral services will follow at 3 p.m. The family suggests that memorials be made to the Methodist Children's Homes, P.O. Box 859, Selma, AL 36702-0859, or to Wilmer Hall, 3811 Old Shell Rd., Mobile, AL 36608. Arrangements are by Bayview Funeral Home.

Children of GARY STERLING GAY and KAY H DOUGHDRIL:

- i. **GARY STERLING GAY**
- ii. **CHARLES DOUGHDRILL GAY**
- iii. **BENJAMIN CLARK GAY**

30. BRADFORD HARDY GAY, Jr., was born Sep 27 1928 in Montgomery County, Alabama and died Jan 13 2018 in Montgomery city, Montgomery, Alabama, USA. He married **BEVERLY HATFIELD** Nov 1955 in Montgomery, Alabama, USA. She was born 1931 in Alabama, USA and died Sep 15 2019 in Mary Esther, Okaloosa, Florida, USA, daughter of **THOMAS HARRY HATFIELD** and **INEZ JEANNETTE CARR**.



Alabama Journal (Montgomery, Alabama) 25 Feb 1950 Sat page 3

MONTGOMERIAN PROMOTED

University, Ala., Feb. 25 -- Bradford H. Gay, Jr., of Montgomery, has been promoted to the rank of major in the cadet wing of the Air ROTC at the University of Alabama. Gay will serve as Second Group Executive.

The Montgomery Advertiser 7 Dec 1951 Fri page 16

Mr. and Mrs. B.H. Gay have received word of the safe arrival of their son, Lt. Bradford Gay Jr., in Landsberg, Germany.

Alabama Journal (Montgomery, Alabama) 31 Mar 1950 Fri page 22

Capt. Bradford H. Gay, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Bradford H. Gay Sr., of 935 Federal Dr., Montgomery, has arrived for duty at Robins AFB, Ga. Capt. Gay, a data systems officer,



previously served at Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio. His wife, Beverly, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas H. Hatfield of 449 Burton Ave. , Montgomery.

Alabama Journal (Montgomery, Alabama) 17 Feb 1972 Fri page 25

Maj. Bradford H. Gay, Jr., son of Mrs. Bradford H. Gay, Sr., 935 Federal Dr., Montgomery, has received the U.S. Air Force Commendation Medal at Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio. Gay, a data automation survey analyst, was cited for his outstanding professional skill and initiative while assigned to the Comptroller, Robins AFB, Ga. He is now serving at Wright-Patterson. with a unit of Headquarters, USAF.



Bradford H. Gay Jr., (1955)

A 1946 graduate of Lanier High School, the major received his B.S. degree in commerce in 1950 from the University of Alabama where he was commissioned through the Air Force ROTC program. He earned an M.B.A. degree in accounting in 1965 from Michigan State University. His wife, Beverly, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas H. Hatfield, 49 Burton Ave., Montgomery.

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2016 Tue. page C5***

Bradford H. Gay, Jr.

Mary Esther - Bradford H. Gay, Jr., Lt. Col. USAF, Retired, died Friday, January 13, 2018, at age 89. He is survived by his wife, Beverly Hatfield Gay, and four children; Connie Looney, Terry Hughes, Bradford Gay III, and Rebecca Harding, and their families.

There will be a viewing on Wednesday, January 17 from 5 p.m. until 7 p.m. at Leak Memory Chapel, Montgomery, Alabama, and a service on Thursday, January 18 at 11 am also at Leak Memorial Chapel. Burial will immediately follow the service at Greenwood Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, you can make a donation to your favorite charity.

Bradford Jr., in Germany (1952)

Note: Car tag



Bradford H. Gay Jr. home in Mary Esther, Fla.



Cousins- Charley Linn Gay III, Gary S. Gay, Bradford H. Gay Jr.

Children of BRADFORD HARDY GAY Jr. and BEVERLY HATFIELD:

- i. **BRADFORD HARDY GAY III** was born Dec 31 1956 in Mobile, Alabama, USA
- ii. **REBECCA `Becky` JEANNETTE GAY** was born Sep 02 1961 in Alabama, USA

Beverly, Rebecca, Bradford, Jr.



Bradford Hardy Gay III



Children of Benjamin Smith Gay

31. CECILE CROVATT GAY was born ABT 1950 in Alabama, USA. She married **DOUGLAS KEVIN GREY** Aug 22 1972 in Oxford, Lafayette, Mississippi, USA. (Crovatt is Cecile's maternal grandmother's middle name)



The Montgomery Advertiser 27 Aug 1972 Sun page 44

Cecile Gay, Douglas Gray Marry in August 22 Rites

Oxford, Miss. Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Smith Gay of Montgomery, announced the marriage of their daughter, Cecile Crovatt Gay, to Douglas Kevin Gray, son of Mrs. Donald Joseph Gray, and the late Mr. Gray of Jackson, Miss. The Wedding Took Place., Tuesday, August 22, in The College Hill Presbyterian Church in Oxford with Rev. E. Stanley Smathers officiating.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a slipper-length dress and candlelight voile fashioned on traditional lines. She carried a nosegay of sweetheart roses and wore her great grandmother's gold locket. She carried her grandmothers wedding handkerchief. The bride's sister, Mrs. Ralph Louis Powell of Waynesboro, Ga, was the matron of honor, and Miss Kathleen Costella of Prattville and Miss Maybelle Segrest of Tuskegee were the bridesmaids.



Brian W. Inmon Jr. was the best man. The bride is the granddaughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Charles Linn Gay of Montgomery and the late Mr. and Mrs. John Paul Jones of Montgomery and Camden. She is a graduate of Montgomery Academy and attended Stratford College in Virginia and graduated from Huntington College.

Mr. Gray is the grandson of Mrs. Everett Jesse Gray and the late Mr. Gray and Mrs. John Edward Schwob and the late Mr. Schwob of Joliet, Illinois. He is a graduate of Murrah High School in Jackson and the University of Mississippi and the University of

Virginia.

After a wedding trip to New Orleans, the couple will reside in Oxford Mississippi we are both our graduate students at the University of Mississippi.

The Montgomery Advertiser 20 May 1979 Sun page 38

ACHIEVEMENT STORY...

Former Montgomerian, Cecile Gay Gray and her husband Douglas Gray, who is a native of Jackson, Miss., both received their doctorates in literature and psychology last week from the University of Dalla in Irving, Texas. Cecile is the daughter of the Benjamin S. Gays of Montgomery, and she is a graduate of the Montgomery Academy class of 1968, and of Huntingdon College. Cecile has an M.A. degree from the University of Mississippi, and a master's degree from the University of Virginia, also a master's degree from the University of Mississippi. The two new "doctors" are residing in Irving, Texas, where they are both teaching English at Mountainview College in Dallas. They were married in 1972.

Children of Eleanor Teague Gay

32. WILLIAM LEA GRAVES was born May 26 1924 in New York, New York and died Sep 17 2010 in Boulder, Boulder, Colorado, USA. He married **JOAN CARLIE INCE** 1956 in New York City, New York, USA. She was born Feb 12 1927 in East Patchogue, Suffolk, New York, USA and died Mar 13 2018 in Bellport, Suffolk, New York, USA. Joan was the daughter of **GEORGE HAMILTON INCE** and **CARLIE LOUISE ASHBY RUSSELL**.

Daily Camera (Boulder City, Colorado) 25 Sep 2010 online

William Lea Graves of Boulder, CO passed away peacefully on September 17, 2010 at the age of 86.

Bill Graves was born in New York City, May 26, 1924, to Ellie Gay and William Sproull Graves. He grew up in Garden City, NY with his younger sister, Ann, who survives him. In 1943 he entered the United States Army at age 18 and shipped overseas to fight in Europe. He was awarded the Purple Heart for wounds received at the Battle of the Bulge and honorably discharged as a PFC in 1946.

After the war he re-entered Cornell University, graduating in 1950 with a B.S. in Chem Eng. He went on to earn a M.S. from the Univ. of Delaware and spent a long career in engineering at the Budd Company, Stonybrook University, and Brookhaven National Laboratory. At Brookhaven Lab he pursued the development and transfer of alternative energy technologies to the private sector, earning commendations from the US Dept of Energy, the Society of American Registered Architects, and the State of New York.

He was married in 1956 to Joan Carlie Ince of Bellport, NY, who survives him. Their marriage of 54 years produced five children who all survive him; Carlie Graves of Poughkeepsie, NY, Bill Graves of Marblehead, MA, Anthony Graves of Bellport, NY, Susan Graves of Boulder, CO, and Allison Graves of Boulder, CO, as well as seven grandchildren ranging from 8 months to 19 years of age.

Bill loved tennis, sailing, books and reading, biology and mathematics, birding and all of the outdoors. A passionate and devoted tennis player, he played first as a young man and continued weekly games until the age of 86. He loved to sail, and to race sailboats, especially in the Thursday evening races in Bellport, LI. After retirement he also turned to writing, publishing several articles on the local environment in the New York Times.

A memorial service was held on September 19 at St John's Episcopal Church, Boulder, CO. Those who would like to make a donation in Bill's name may give to the National Audubon Society, 225 Varick St. 7th floor, New York, NY 10014.

The Daily Camera (Boulder, Colorado) 27 Sep 2018

Joan Carlie Louise Ince Graves, 91, Bellport, NY, March 13, 2018. Joan lived in Boulder for many years and especially enjoyed its vibrant tennis community. She received her B.S. from Cornell University in 1949, and her M.S.W. from Columbia University in 1955. She worked as a social worker for many years in New York City and Long Island, NY, before retiring to Boulder.

Joan is survived by her five children and their spouses: Allison Graves, Susan Graves, Anthony Graves (Sarah Jennings), William Graves (Janine), Carlie Graves (John McCleary); and her seven grandsons: Heath, Jay, Jackson, James, William, Anthony, and John. She was pre-deceased by her beloved husband, William, in 2010. A memorial service in her honor was held at Christ Church, Bellport, NY, on July 13, 2018.

To Plant Memorial Trees in memory, please visit our Sympathy Store.

Children of WILLIAM LEA GRAVES and JOAN CARLIE INCE:

- i. **44** Carlie Graves
- ii. William `Bill` Graves
- iii. **45** Anthony Graves
- iv. Susan Graves
- v. Allison Graves

33. ANNE ELIZABETH GRAVES was born Jan 08 1926 in New York City, New York, USA and died Aug 05 2019 in Chevy Chase, Montgomery, Maryland, USA. She married **GRIGORI `Gregory` GRIGORIEVICH GAGARIN** Nov 02 1947 in Hempstead, Nassau, New York, USA. He was born Feb 22 1922 in Wiesbaden, Stadtkreis Wiesbaden, Hessen, Germany and died Apr 14 2018 in Chevy Chase, Montgomery, Maryland, USA. He was the son of **PRINCE GRIGORI ANDREIVICH GAGRIN** and **PRINCESS ELIZAVETA NIKOLAEVA ZURABOVA**



The Anniston Star, 7 Dec 1947, Sun page 5

Miss Ann Graves Marries Son of Prince and Princess Gagarin

Anniston friends and relatives of Mr. and Mrs. William Sproull Graves will be interested in the following story from Garden City, Long Island. The marriage of Miss Ann Elizabeth Graves, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Sproull Graves to Gregory G. Gagarin, son of Prince and Princess Gregory Andrew Gagarin, formerly of Westbury, Long Island, now of State College, Penn., took place in the afternoon in the Cathedral of the Incarnation with the Very Rev. Joseph Stephanko, of the Russian Orthodox Catholic Cathedral, New York City, officiating, assisted by the Very Rev. Hubert s. Wood, dean of the Cathedral.



Before the ceremony, there was an hour of organ music and a soloist sang "Ave Maria" (Schubert); "I Love Thee" (Creig), and the choir of mixed voices from the Russian Church presented the wedding music. "Ushers were: William Graves, Richard Frisbie. both of Garden City; J. Robert Post, Jr., of Pittsburgh, Penn.; Peter Gagarin, of New York; Stewart Hill, of Southington, Conn., and Robert Gay, of U.S. Marines. The icon was carried

by Edgar Tobias Van Buren, son of Mrs. James Martin Van Buren (Elizabeth Beasley, daughter of Mrs. J. Nicholson Jones, of Montgomery, Alabama).

Miss Grace Schoehelt, of Asheville, was maid of honor.

Bridesmaids were: Miss Katherine Sterling, Miss Elizabeth Alden, Miss Virginia Wentworth, Mrs. Stanley Jacques, Jr. of Garden City; Miss Elizabeth Newell, of Newport News, Va.; Miss Edith Titus, of New Rochelle, N.Y. They were gowned similarly in rose taffeta, made with a tight bodice having an off-shoulder neckline and bouffant skirts. "Each carried a cascade bouquet of pink chrysanthemums.

The bride, given in marriage by her father, wore an ivory-tinted satin gown, fashioned with a deep berth of Brussels lace. The veil of the rose-point lace, which had been worn by the mother

and grandmother of the groom, completed the bridal costume. "She carried a cascade bouquet of white roses and bouvardia.

A reception at the Cherry Valley Club followed the ceremony.

The bride attended Sweet Briar College in Virginia and was graduated the past June from Bernard College. She is maternally the granddaughter of Mrs. John F. Gay and the late Mr. Gay, of Montgomery, and is the great-granddaughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Teague.

Mr. Gagarin received his primary education in France and Switzerland before coming to the United States in 1935. He attended the Catholic School in Garden City and was graduated from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. The groom is a veteran of World War II, having served for three years with the United States Navy.

After a honeymoon spent at Pinehurst, N.C., Mr. and Mrs. Gagarin will reside in Philadelphia.

The Washington Post 15 Apr 2018

Gregory G. Gagarin

On Friday, April 13, 2018 of Chevy Chase, MD. Devoted husband of Ann G. Gagarin for 70 years. Loving father of Gregory (Martha S.), Katharine, and Russell (Mary B.). Grandfather of three. A memorial service will be held at Christ Episcopal Church, 4001 Franklin Street, Kensington, MD 20895 on Thursday, April 19, 2018 at 1 p.m. Interment at Arlington National Cemetery at a later date.

Children of JOHN FLOYD GAY Jr.

34. JOHN FLOYD GAY III was born Apr 04 1930 in Birmingham, Jefferson, Alabama, USA and died Feb 28 2016 in Alabama, USA. He married **MARY PAULA JOHNSON** in 1962. They divorced in 1990.



The Union Banner (Clanton, Alabama) 17 Nov 1960 page 4

MUSIC APPRECIATION CLUB

The Music Appreciation Club of Clanton met Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. James D. Heflin, president. Of chief importance for the afternoon was the speaker, Mr. John Floyd Gay, III, of Birmingham who spoke in the interest of beginning in violin in this area. He will teach both privately and in classes of several and will take both children and adults.

Mr. Gay is a teacher of violin at Alabama College and n Birmingham, as well as a violinist for the Birmingham String Quartet and Birmingham Symphony. He will interview prospective students in the high school library on Thursday afternoon, December 1st. Parents must accompany all students. Further inquiries on these classes may be had by calling Mrs. Joe Mullins at 717 or Mrs. Arthur Moody at 583-M2.

Children of JOHN FLOYD GAY III:

- i. **MELISSA GAY** was born Jul 18, 1968
- ii. **JOHN FLOYD GAY IV** was born Feb 3, 1970

35. DOROTHY AMELIA GAY was born Dec 21 1936 in Birmingham Junction, Alabama and died Jan 22 1995 in Birmingham, Jefferson, Alabama. She married **WILLIAM NICHOLAS THALMAN** Sep 1956 in Jefferson County, Alabama, USA. He was born Jun 16 1930 in Wilmette, Cook, Illinois, USA and died May 11 2008 in Columbus, Franklin, Ohio, USA, son of **WILLIAM BERNARD THALMAN** and **MARY KATHE-RINE SURGES**. They divorced Jun 1958. She married **MR. BURKE**.



*The Montgomery Advertiser 26 Aug 1956
Sun page 29*

**Miss Dorothy Gay to Wed William N.
Thalman Sept. 22**

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Aug 25 -- Mr. and Mrs. John Floyd Gay Jr., of Birmingham, announce the engagement of their daughter, Dorothy, to William Nicholas Thalman, son of William B. Thalma, and the late Mrs. Thalman, of Wilmette, Ill.

Miss Gay is a granddaughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. John Floyd Gay, and the great-granddaughter of Mayor and Mrs. William Marti Teague, of Montgomery. She attended Birmingham-Southern College.

Mr. Thalman is a graduate of the University of Ill. and a member of Sigma Nu Fraternity. He is in business in Chicago.

The wedding will take place on Sept. 22, in St. Paul's Cathedral in Birmingham.

Chicago Tribune 14 May 2008 Wed page 2-11

THALMAN, WILLIAM NICHOLAS

William Nicholas Thalman. age 77, Sunday, May 11, 2008, in Columbus, OH., Born in Wilmette, Il., son of the late William and Mary Surges Thaman. Received his B.S. degree from the University of Illinois. Member of Sigma Nu Fraternity. An active member of the Church of the Resurrection and a distinguished Toastmaster with Toastmasters Intl.

Retired after 35 years of service with Ross Labs. Preceded in death by his wife, Lorraine Hill Thalman, and five sisters. Survived by daughter, Hillary Thalman Birch (Robert) of Baltimore, MD.; numerous nieces and nephews. Friends may call Thursday 4-7 p.m. at the Egan-Ryan Funeral Home, 403 E. Broad St., Columbus, OH, and Friday 10-10:30 a.m. at the Church of the Resurrection, 6300 E. Dublin - Granville Rd., New Albany, OH where the funeral Mass will be celebrated at 10:30 a.m. Burial will be held Monday, 11:00 a.m. at Memorial Park Cemetery, Skokie, IL.



36. FRANCES JEAN GAY was born Dec 22 1923 in Montgomery, Montgomery, Alabama, USA and died Aug 08 1996 in Leesburg, Loudoun, Virginia, USA. She married **PAUL WALLACE LYON** Jul 01 1950 in New York City, New York, USA. He was born Aug 31 1923 in London, United Kingdom and died Oct 07 2003 in Loudoun, Virginia, USA, son of **THEODORE BIRD LYON** and **LILAH C. HADLEY**.

Children of FRANCES JEAN GAY and PAUL WALLACE LYON:

- i. **PETER STIRLING LYON** was born Jun 10 1958

37. WILLIAM TEAGUE GAY Jr., was born Jan 01 1926 in Montgomery, Montgomery, Alabama, USA and died Dec 01 1992 in Montross, Westmoreland, Virginia, USA. He married **JOAN VANCE SWETT** Feb 05 1955 in Needham, Massachusetts, USA. She was born Jan 24 1933 in Needham, Norfolk County, Massachusetts, USA and died Apr 12 2019 in Fredericksburg, Fredericksburg City, Virginia, USA, daughter of **CHARLES MANSFIELD SWETT** and **BERTHA LEE HAWKE**.

(<https://www.marywashingtonhealthcare.com/Foundations/Mary-Washington-Hospital-Foundation.aspx>)



Joan Swett Gay, 86, of Fredericksburg, passed away peacefully with her family at her side on Friday, April 12, 2019.

Joan was a feisty New Englander until the end, she fought to live life on her terms for as long as she could. She died with grace and dignity.

Joan was free-spirited, and she enjoyed an energetic and adventurous life. She was born in Needham, Mass., to Charles and Bertha Le Swett. Joan shared exploits and milestones while growing up and later in life with her two sisters, Gail and Barbara, and their wonderful families. She graduated from the Boston Museum School of Fine Arts, worked in jewelry design, and created art in a wide range of media throughout her adult life. Joan's friends introduced her to William Teague "Bill" Gay, Jr., a young engineer from Alabama who'd spent time in the Army and had lived in California, Wyoming, Alaska, and New York before moving to Boston. They fell in love and married in 1955 at the First

Unitarian Church of Needham. Joan and Bill bought a home in Needham, close to extended family, and raised three children, Christopher, Allison, and Dalton.

Joan and Bill eventually settled with their young family in Northern Va. to pursue professional opportunities. She learned to love sports from her father, Charlie, known affectionately as Ole Gop, and Joan enthusiastically coached soccer, managed the local swim team, and partnered with Bill as a fearsome tennis doubles team. Joan was a passionate Virginia Democrat and she was an active supporter of many political candidates through the years.

Joan and Bill chose a waterfront retirement spot on the Northern Neck in 1987. Together they designed a stunning home with a huge wrap-around porch that hosted many happy gatherings of friends and family. Joan moved to Fredericksburg after Bill's untimely death in 1992, where she helped found the Ladies Golf League at Lees Hill Golf Club.

Joan was a world traveler and was proud to have visited 28 different countries. She always learned enough of the language to greet local residents, and she made friends everywhere.

Joan loved her son-in-law, Bo; her daughter-in-law, Gwen; and her three grandsons, Neil, Jay, and Matthew. She introduced her grandsons to travel through Elderhostel intergenerational trips, and she forged a very strong bond with Jay who now uses her favorite bowling ball every Saturday at Special Olympics bowling.

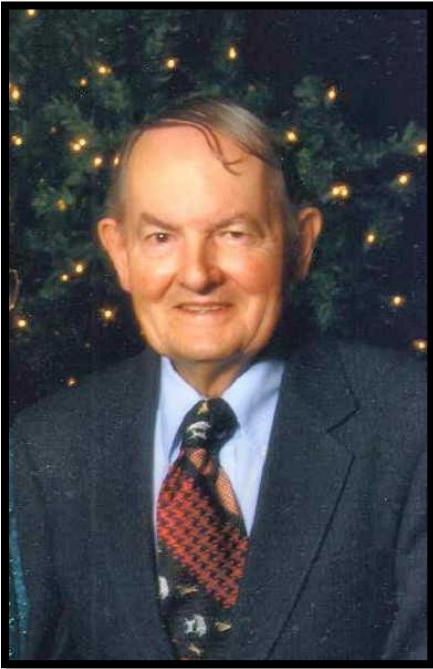
A private celebration of life will be held in Fredericksburg on Thursday, April 18 with a subsequent family ceremony to be held in New England this summer.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions to support Mary Washington Hospice may be made through the Mary Washington Healthcare Foundation

Children of WILLIAM TEAGUE GAY and JOAN VANCE SWETT:

- i. **CHRISTOPHER GAY**
- ii. **47 ALLISON JONE GAY** was born Oct 28 1957 in Massachusetts, USA
- iii. **WILLIAM DALTON GAY** was born Jan 26 1961 in Massachusetts and died Jun 12 1984 in Falls Church, Arlington, Virginia, USA.

38. ROBERT STIRLING GAY (AKA ROBERT BUTLER STIRLING) was born Sep 03 1927 in Montgomery, Montgomery County, Alabama, USA and died Oct 14 2018 in Naples, Collier, Florida, USA. He married **(1) ADELAIDE MARIE SHELOR**. She was born Oct 12 1934. They divorced May 04 1967. Marie was the daughter of **ELBERT PRICE SHELOR** and **DOTTIE LOUISE GRAVES**. He married **(2) RUTH ELLEN BULS** Jan 23 1993 in Harris County, Texas, USA. She was born Mar 30 1945 in Fort Bend, Texas.



Marie Shelor Gay Henderson, 80, of Blacksburg, Va., passed away on Monday, September 7, 2015.

Marie is survived by her daughters, Jeannie Gay, Nancy Gay, and Jacqueline Lysne; granddaughter, Jocelyn Lysne; sisters-in-law, Jeanette Shelor and Bertha Shelor; as well as many nieces and nephews. The family will receive friends on Friday, September 11, 2015, from noon to 2 p.m. at Home Funeral Home. The Funeral Service will be held directly after at 2 p.m. in the chapel with Dr. Tommy McDearis officiating. Interment will follow in Westview Cemetery, Blacksburg. In lieu of flowers, please make donations to Home Funeral Home to help offset funeral expenses. Online condolences for the family may be left by visiting

Children of ROBERT STIRLING GA and ADELAIDE MARIE SHELOR:

- i. **JEANNIE GAY**
- ii. **NANCY GAY**
- iii. **JACQUELINE GAY**

39. GEORGE MARION GAY was born Oct 27 1929 in Montgomery, Montgomery, Alabama, USA and died May 04 2001 in El Cerrito, Contra Costa, California, USA. He married **KEREN ALICE PACE** May 10 1952 in Alameda, California, USA. She was born ABT Dec 09 1931 in Alameda, California, daughter of **ARTHUR `Artie` ERVING PACE** and **ALICE `BELLE MARSHALL**.

Oakland Tribune, 05 Mar, 1952 Wed page 36

KEREN PACE ENGAGEMENT

The engagement of Keren Alice Pace and George Marion Gay was announced recently by the parents of the bride-elect, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur E. Oace of El Cerrito.

The future Mrs. Gay also told her friends at the University of California the news when she passed thr traditional five pounds of candy at the Masonic Club, of which she is vice-president.

Keren was graduated from El Cerrito High School in 1949 and previously attended high school in Napa and grammar school in San Leandro. She is now in her junior year at Cal, majoring in child development.

George, son of William Gay and the late Mrs. Gay of Beverly Hills, was graduated from the University of California with the class of '51. He has been enrolled in the graduate school in petroleum engineering. He previously attended U.C.L.A.



Child of FRANCIS GAY DARBY

40. GORDON ATHERTON DARBY was born Apr 16 1924 in Paris Island, Beaufort, South Carolina, USA and died Apr 20 2012 in Marianna, Jackson, Florida, USA. He married **(1) GLORIA EMILY FRITZ** ABT 1945 in Duval, Florida. She was born Sep 13 1926 in Pennsylvania and died Sep 08 2013 in Ocala, Florida, daughter of **EDGAR HERMAN FRITZ** and **MARGARET FRANCES CRAMER**. They divorced 1966. Gloria would marry second to **ROBERT "Bobby" NORTH CUTT GILBERT** and they would have two children.



Gordon married **(2) CONSTANCE `Beth` ELIZABETH RAY** Jun 1967 in Florida. She was born Jun 18 1945 in Jacksonville, Duval, Florida, USA and died May 11 2013 in Sneads, Florida, USA, daughter of **FRANCIS HART RAY** and **CONSTANCE NEATRICE LAMB**.

Gloria Emily Fritz Darby Gilbert

Tampa Bay Times 19 Feb 2008 Tue page 18

Gilbert, Robert N., Jr.

75, of Spring Hill, left this earth, Monday, Feb. 11, 2008, under the care of Hernando-Pasco Hospice of Brooksville, Born in Atalanta, GA., he moved to Timber Pines 15 years ago. After graduation from the University of Florida, he joined the Navy and retired as a Captain from the Naval Reserve. Retiring from service he worked for the Burroughs/Unisys Corp. for 32 years. He was a member of the Military Officer's Association of America and served as a director for 2 years and was a member of the Fraternal Order of Eagles. An avid sports fan, he played basketball and baseball in high school and college and played lots of golf during his life.

He is survived by his wife of 31 years, Gloria; 2 daughters, Lynn Hamil and Leslie Hitchcock; 4 grandchildren, Scott and Brooke Hamil, Andrew and Erin Cummins of Brunswick, GA.; 4 step-children, Jack G. (Linda Louise) Darby of Ocala, Linda Gay Darby, of San Francisco, Douglas (Susan) Darby of China Grave, N.C., Pamela (Richard) Marut, of Houston, TX; sister, Patricia (Patrick) Fische; 6 step-grandchildren; and 8 step-great-grandchildren; 1 niece; and 1 nephew.

A memorial service will be conducted at 1 p.m. Friday, Feb. 22, 2008, at Pinecrest Funeral Home with Father Robin Murray officiating. Internment to follow at Florida National Cemetery, Bushnell, Florida with full military honors by Marine Corps League # 708 of Spring Hill.

Tallahassee Democrat 14 May 2013 Tue page A6

DEATH Notices

Darby, Constance "Beth" Ray, 67, May 11, 2013, Lanier-Andler Funeral Home of Sneads, Florida.

Constance "Beth" Ray Darby

Mrs. Constance "Beth" Ray Darby, age 67, a native of Jacksonville, Florida, passed away Saturday, May 11, 2013, after a brief illness. She was of the Protestant Faith and had retired as an Administrative Assistant at the Florida State Hospital in Chattahoochee, Florida.

Mrs. Darby is survived by her mother, Constance Ray, of Jacksonville, Florida; one daughter; Allison Darby of Panama City Beach, Florida; one son, Darron Darby and his wife Kelley of

Tallahassee, Florida; one sister, Vanessa Luby, and her husband, Jack of Morrisville, Pennsylvania; and one grandson, Thomas Darby of Tallahassee, Florida.

Mrs. Darby was preceded in death by her beloved husband, Gordon, and her father, Francis Ray.

Visitation with the family will take place Tuesday, May 14, 2013, from 5:00 until 7:00 p.m. CDT at Lanier-Andler Funeral Home in Sneads, Florida. Funeral Services will be held Wednesday, May 15, 2013, at 11:00 a.m. CDT at Lanier-Andler Funeral Home Chapel. Committal and Internment Services will be at Pope Cemetery in Sneads, Florida.

Children of GORDON ATHERTON DARBY and GLORIA EMILY FRITZ:

- i. **48 DOUGLAS DARBY**
- ii. **49 JACK G DARBY** was born Jul 22 1946 in Jacksonville, Duval, Florida, USA
- iii. **LINDA GAY DARBY** was born Jun 10 1948 in Jacksonville, Duval, Florida, USA
- iv. **50 PAMELA G DARBY** was born Jun 13 1954 in Jacksonville, Duval, Florida, USA

Children of GORDON ATHERTON DARBY and CONSTANCE `Beth` ELIZABETH RAY:

- v. **51 DARRON R DARBY** was born Sep 09 1968
- vi. **52 ALLISON VANESSA DARBY** was born Jan 15 1971

41. ELEANOR GAY DARBY. She married **BENJAMIN H CAMPBELL**, son of **ROBERT J CAMPBELL**.

No further information.

42. WILLIS CARY DARBY Jr., was born Oct 31 1923 in Birmingham, Jefferson, Alabama, USA and died Dec 21 2011 in Mobile, Mobile, Alabama, USA. He married **(1) MARY NOELLE AUGUSTINE FAIRWEATHER**. She was born Aug 20 1923 in Nantes, France and died May 07 2006 in Fort Worth, Tarrant, Texas, USA, daughter of **EDWIN EWAN FAIRWEATHER** and **CHARLOTTE YVONNE LeBARRE**. Willis married **(2) PRISCILLA GOLD**



Fort Worth Star-Telegram 10 May 2006 Wed

FORT WORTH - Mary Fairweather Darby, 82, died Sunday, May 7, 2006.

Funeral: 4 p.m. Wednesday at Thompson's Harveson & Cole Funeral Home. Visitation: 3 to 4 p.m. at the funeral home.

Memorials: Her memory may be honored with a gift to the Humane Society of North Texas, 1840 E. Lancaster Ave., Fort Worth, Texas 76103; or Life Gift, 1701 River Run, Fort Worth, Texas 76107.

Mary was born Aug. 20, 1923, in Nantes, France, to Charlotte LeBerre and Edwin E. Fairweather. She was a 1940 graduate of Paschal High School and Cozzens Business School and retired as the office manager for the National Labor Relations Board after a lifetime of government service. Mary was preceded in death by her son, Wyatt Edwin Lawson, and her sister, Suzanne Crow.

Survivors: Her children, Carey Darby of Crowley and Annette Darby Ahrens and her husband, Gary, of Dallas; grandchildren, Ben Darby, Courtney Darby, Corey Ahrens, Karen Lawson, and Stephen Lawson; daughter-in-law, Kathy Lawson; brother, A.J. Fairweather and his wife, Naoma, of Fort Worth; and nieces and nephews.

<https://www.dignitymemorial.com/obituaries/mobile-al/willis-darby-4931318>

OBITUARY
Willis Carey Darby Jr.
OCTOBER 31, 1923 – DECEMBER 21, 2011

Mr. Willis Carey Darby, Jr., born on October 31, 1923, passed away at a local hospital on December 21, 2011, due to the complications of old age. He was born in Birmingham, Alabama, and raised in Montgomery and Clanton, Alabama, and graduated high school from Thorsby Institute. During World War II, Willis attended and graduated from the University of Alabama in 1945. While at Alabama, Willis demonstrated his strong work ethic by earning extra money as a two-time editor of the Corolla, grading accounting papers at 5 cents "a pop," and being the house manager of Phi Gamma Delta fraternity of which he was also a member. During summers, he worked at Redstone Arsenal. After graduating from the University of Alabama, he received his law degree from Harvard University Law School in 1948.

Willis loved the field of labor law and began his legal career with the National Labor Relations Board where he continued to work until 1956. In 1956, he moved to Mobile and began private practice, primarily in the fields of labor and employment and construction law. He never retired from the practice of law. During his legal career, Willis argued two cases before the United States Supreme Court and was often recognized as an expert in labor law.

Willis enjoyed spending time at Dauphin Island, and in his later years, greatly enjoyed vegetable gardening, creating the perfect compost mixtures and spending time at the beach with his family. From his many international travels, Willis always returned with new vegetable seeds to plant in his garden. His love of construction extended not only to construction law, but also in constructing his own projects, including his "hurricane-proof" beach home on Dauphin Island, various compost bins, and boxes for raised garden beds. Willis had an unmistakable sense of humor that will be missed by all that knew him.

He was preceded in death by his son, Willis Carey Darby, III, and sister, Susan Pipes Pearce. He is survived by his wife, Priscilla Gold-Darby; brother, Claude Hardin Pipes, Jr. (Patty); son, Carl Anthony "Tony" Seymour, Jr., (Lynn); daughter, Jackie Seymour Lawrence (Chris); daughter, Annette Darby Ahrens (Gary); daughter, Elizabeth "Beth" Darby Rehm; and grandchildren, Ashleigh Seymour Sheffield, Paul Anthony Lawrence, Leslie Ann Lawrence, Willis Benjamin Darby, Courtney Marie Darby, and Douglas Edward Rehm, Jr. The family would also like to especially thank the wonderful caregivers who helped Willis in his final days, especially Kim Ruffin Henderson.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the Providence Hospital Foundation, Post Office Box 850429, Mobile, Alabama 36685; Allen Memorial Home, 735 South Washington Avenue, Mobile, Alabama 36603-1399; or the charity of your choice. Visitation will be held on Wednesday, December 28, 2011, at Saint John's Episcopal Church, 1707 Government Street, Mobile, Alabama 36604, at 1:00 pm with a memorial ceremony immediately following. Condolences may be offered at www.radneyfuneralhome-mobile.com.

Children of WILLIS CARY DARBY and MARY NOELLE AUGUSTINE FAIRWEATHER:

- i. **53 WILLIS CAREY DARBY III** was born Sep 30 1955 in New Orleans, Orleans, Louisiana, USA and died Feb 06 2009 in Fort Worth, Tarrant, Texas, USA
- ii. **54 NOELLE ANNETTE DARBY** was born 1958

Generation 5

43. MARY ANNE CARRINGTON. She married **SALVADOR LOERA.**

Salvador deserted the family and went to Mexico, his birthplace. Their daughter, Mary Louise retained her mother's maiden name.

Children of MARY ANNE CARRINGTON and SALVADOR LOERA:

- i. **MARY LOUISE CARRINGTON** was born 1995
No further information.

44. ARTHUR FORBES JACKSON was born Aug 24 1959 in Pennsylvania, USA. He married **DIANE UNKNOWN.**

Children of ARTHUR FORBES JACKSON and DIANE UNKNOWN:

- i. **SETH JACKSON**
- ii. **NATHAN JACKSON**
- iii. **ELIZABETH JACKSON**
- iv. **NICOLE JACKSON**
- v. **ANDREW JACKSON**

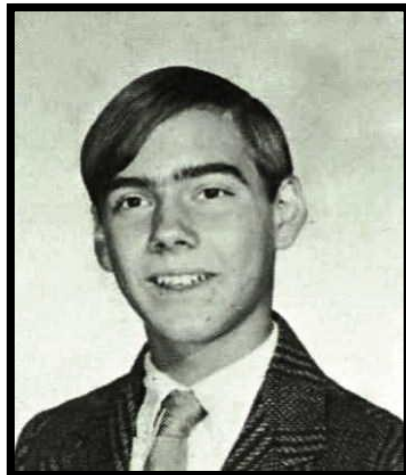
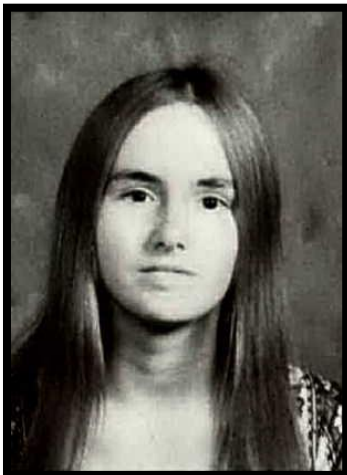
45. CARLIE GRAVES. She married **John McCleary.**

No further information.

46. ANTHONY GRAVES. He married **Sarah Jennings.**

No further information

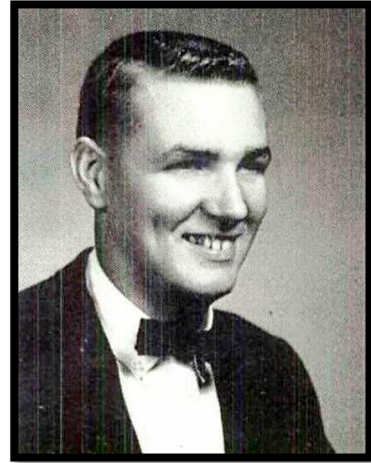
47. ALLISON JONE GAY was born Oct 28 1957 in Massachusetts, USA. She married **BRUCE EDWARD KIRCHNER** Sep 03 1983 in McLean, Arlington, Virginia, USA. He was born May 10 1956 in Arlington, Virginia, USA.



48. DOUGLAS DARBY. He married **Susan MNU.**
No further information.

49. JACK G DARBY was born Jul 22 1946 in Jacksonville, Duval, Florida, USA. He married **LINDA LOUISE MNU.**

No further information.



50. PAMELA G DARBY was born Jun 13 1954 in Jacksonville, Duval, Florida, USA. She married **RICHARD VICTOR MARUT** Jan 17 1998 in Harris County, Texas, USA. He was born Dec 19 1960 in New Jersey, USA and died Mar 10 2014 in Fayette County, Texas, USA, son of **KENNETH MARUT** and **PATRICIA FRUSTIERI.**

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**RICHARD VICTOR MARUT
AGE 53 - FAYETTE COUNTY, TX**

Family and friends are deeply saddened by the loss of Richard Victor Marut, age 53 years, beloved husband, son, brother, uncle, nephew, cousin, and friend who passed away on Monday, March 10, 2014. Richard was a native of New Jersey but adopted Texas as his home state more than 16 years ago. Richard was an SAP Workflow Analyst for over 29 years. Throughout his life, he loved to travel, work with his hands, mountain biking, playing golf, the beach, talking with friends, the Beatles, and the Houston Texans. He was always willing to participate in whatever activities came his way. He would lend a helping hand to friends and strangers alike.

Richard was the eldest son of Kenneth and Patricia Marut of Manahawkin, N.J. is survived by his wife, Pamela Marut of Fayette County, TX; his mother, Patricia Marut; his brother, Kenneth Marut, Jr., his three sisters, Lori Nolan (brother-in-law, Chuck Nolan), Susan Ammirata (brother-in-law, Michael Ammirata), and Patti-Anne Borger (brother-in-law, Joseph Borger), all from New Jersey with two nieces, five nephews, numerous cousins, and his beloved dog, Otis. Richard's father and best friend, Kenneth Marut preceded him in death in 2005.

A memorial mass will be held at 11 a.m. Friday, March 21, 2014, at St. Francis of Assisi Parish, 4700 Long Beach Blvd. Brant Beach, N.J. 06008. In lieu of flowers, please make donations to Hospice Brazos Valley, 1048 North Jefferson, La Grange, TX 78945.

51. DARRON R DARBY was born Sep 09 1968. He married **KELLY HAIRE** Aug 11 1990 in Climax, Decatur, Georgia, USA, daughter of **LUNSFORD WAYNE HAIRE**.



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HAIRE-DARBY

Kelley Haire and Darron R. Darby, both of Tallahassee, were married on Aug. 11, at Antioch Baptist Church, Climax, Ga. The Rev. Ellis Hardwick performed the ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Sandra Copeland, Boykin, Ga., and Wayne Haire, Bainbridge, Ga. The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon A. Darby, Sneads.

Matron of honor was Renee Golden, Donalsonville, Ga., bride's sister. The bridegroom's father served as the best man. Ushers were Joel Froelich and Roger Boyd, both of Tallahassee.

Following the ceremony, a reception was given by the bride's family and friends at the church. After a wedding trip to Ponte Vedra Beach, the couple will live in Tallahassee.

She is employed by the K Mart Corp. He is employed by Eppes Decorating Center.

52. ALLISON VANESSA DARBY was born Jan 15 1971. She married **KEITH DAVID DAVIDSON** Jun 19 1999 in Tallahassee, Leon, Florida, USA.



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DARBY-DAVIDSON

Allison Vanessa Darby and Keith David Davidson, both of Tallahassee, were married on June 19 at the Co-Cathedral of St. Thomas Moore.

The reception was held at Golden Eagle Golf and Country Club.

The couple took a wedding trip to San Francisco. Her parents are Mr. and Mrs. Gordon A. Darby, Sneads. His parents are Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Davidson, Niceville. The matron of honor was Alesa Simons. The bridesmaids were Katie Keuhn and Stephanie Revell. The best man was Eric Davidson, the groom's brother. The groomsmen were Darron Darby, the bride's brother, and Steve Devine. Usher was Mike Jones.

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CARY DARBY

CROWLEY - Carrey Darby died Friday, Feb. 6, 2009
 Memorial Service: 11 a.m. Tuesday at Freedom Church,
 2005 McPherson Road, Fort Worth. Interment: Private

Memorials: In lieu of flowers, the family requests
 donations be made to M.D. Anderson Hospital, 1515
 Holcombe Blvd. Houston, Texas, or the S.P.C.A. of Texas,
 362 S. Industrial Blvd., Dallas, Texas.

Willis Carey Darby III was born Sept. 30, 1955, in New Orleans, La. He was a 1974 graduate of Paschal High School and a member of the Texas Society of Professional Surveyors. He was well-known for his professional integrity and love for his children and family and his faithful four-legged friends, Buddy and Oggy Doggy.

Carey was preceded in death by his mother, Mary Fairweather Darby, and brother, Eddie Lawson.

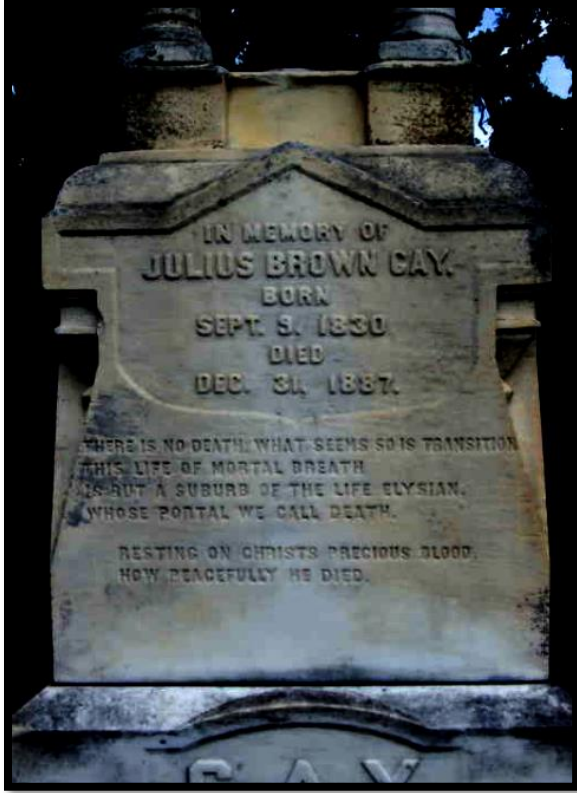
Survivors: Father, Willis Carey Darby Jr.; children, Ben Darby and Courtney Darby; sisters, Annette Darby Ahrens and her husband, Gary, Beth Darby Rehm and Jackie Lawrence and her husband, Chris; brother, Tony Seymour and his wife, Lynn; aunt and uncle, A.J. Fairweather and his wife, Naoma; and nieces and nephews.

Children of WILLIS CAREY DARBY and KIMBERLIE ANNE TOLLY:

- i. **ELIZABETH `Beth` DARBY** married Mr. Rehm
- ii. **WILLIS `Ben` BENJAMIN DARBY** was born 1989
- iii. **COURTNEY MARIE DARBY** was born Jan 25 1993 in Fort Worth, Tarrant, Texas, USA

54. NOELLE ANNETTE DARBY was born 1958. She married **GARY LOUIS AHRENS** Nov 05 1994 in Collin County, Texas, USA. He was born 1951.

APPENDIX A
GAY FAMILY PLOT, OAKWOOD CEMETERY,
MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA



APPENDIX B

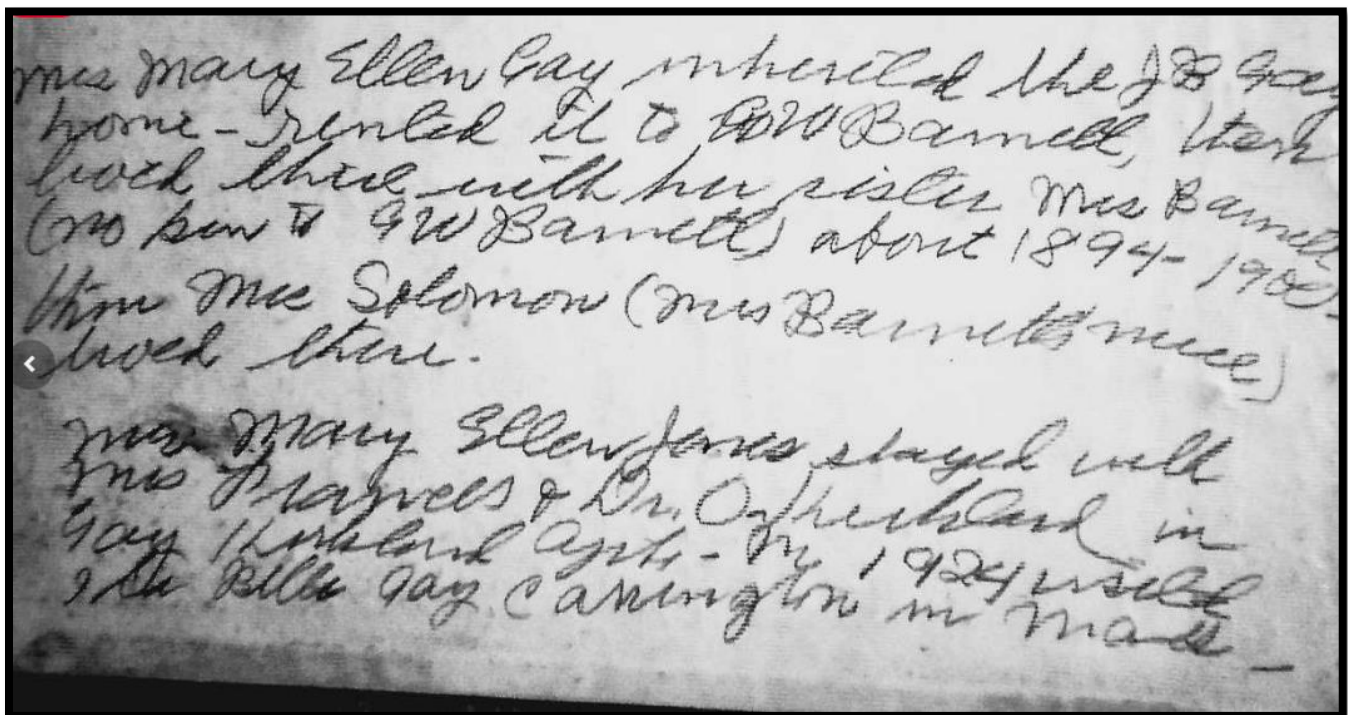
JULIUS BROWN GAY BIBLE PAGES

(Transcript)

MRS. MARY ELLEN GAY INHERITED THE J.B. GAY HOME-RENTED IT TO G.W. BARNETT, ?????? LIVED THERE WITH HER SISTER MISS BARNETT AND SON TO G. W. BARNETT ABOUT 1894-1900.

THEN MRS. SOLOMON (MRS. BARNETT'S NIECE LIVED THERE.

MRS. MARY ELLEN JONES STAYED WITH MRS. FRANCES & DR. O KIRKLAND IN GAY-KIRKLAND APTS. IN 1924 WAS(?) AT IDA BELLE GAY CARRINGTON IN MASS -



Mrs Mary Ellen Gay inherited the J.B. Gay home - rented it to G.W. Barnett, who lived there with her sister Mrs. Barnett (no son to G.W. Barnett) about 1894-1900. Then Mrs. Solomon (Mrs. Barnett's niece) lived there.

Mrs. Mary Ellen Jones stayed with Mrs. Frances & Dr. O. Kirkland in Gay Kirkland Apts. - In 1924 visited Ida Belle Gay Carrington in Mass.

(Mary Ellen Gay was Julius Gay's second wife)

(Transcript)

James Gay came from Ireland in his seventh year and settled in Iredell County, North Carolina. His sons were John and William at same place. John had ^(six) five sons; Hiram, Watson, Granville, Franklin, Portland and Miles. Hiram married Patsy Mays. Had two sons; George Watson and Julius Brown. He had three daughters; Emeline, Loretta and Elizabeth. Emeline married Jesse Thrasher. Loretta married Thomas Morrison, and George married Joe Hingston. Julius Brown married Frances Jeanette Wright, who was born in Chambers County, Alabama, and raised in Montgomery County, near Pine Level.

Her father, David Wright, was born and raised in Lincoln County, Georgia. David Wright married Jeanette Goss of Hancock County, Georgia. The children were Nathan. D, Mary, David D., John D., Henry Harrison, Georgia E., Frances J., Queen, Mack, and Meredith Wright

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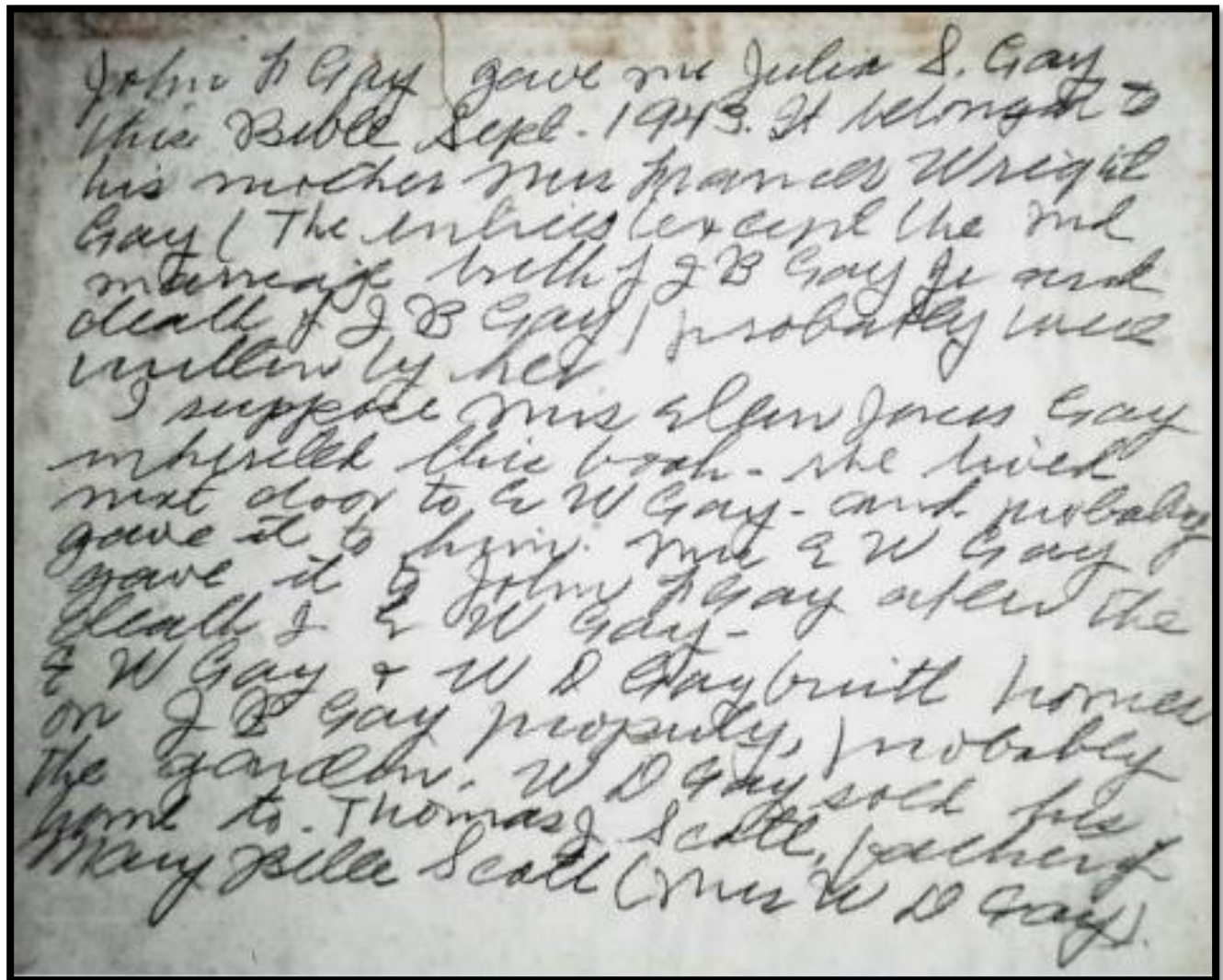
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**Record of Bible ownership
(Transcript as written)**



John F Gay gave me Julia S. Gay this Bible Sept. 1943. It belonged to his mother Mrs. Frances Wright Gay (The ?????? except the 2nd marriage birth of J B Gay Jr and death of J B Gay 1 probably was written by her.

I suppose Mrs. Ellen Jones Gay inherited this book – She lived next door to E.W. Gay – and probably gave it to him. Mrs E W Gay gave it to John F Gay after the death of E W Gay –

E W Gay and W D Gay built homes on J B Gay property, probably the garden. W D Gay sold his home to Thomas J Scott, father of Mary Belle Scott (Mrs W D Gay)

MARRIAGES

Julius Brown Gay
 and Francis Julia
 Wright, were united
 in the holy bonds
 of matrimony on the
 eleventh day of Oc-
 tober eighteen hun-
 dred and sixty, in
 Montgomery County
 near Paul Leach. (Witness)

and marriage
 Julius Brown Gay
 and Mary Elizabeth
 Jones, were united
 in matrimony on the
 on Monday and
 Montgomery Co
 Paul Leach

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BIRTHS

Julius Brown Gay,
was born Sep. 9, 1820.

Francis Julius Gay,
was born Aug. 2, 1877.

Francis Josiah Knight,
was born Jan. 18, 1843.

Charles Lynn Gay,
was born Nov. 8, 1862.

John Floyd Gay,
was born Dec. 11, 1864.

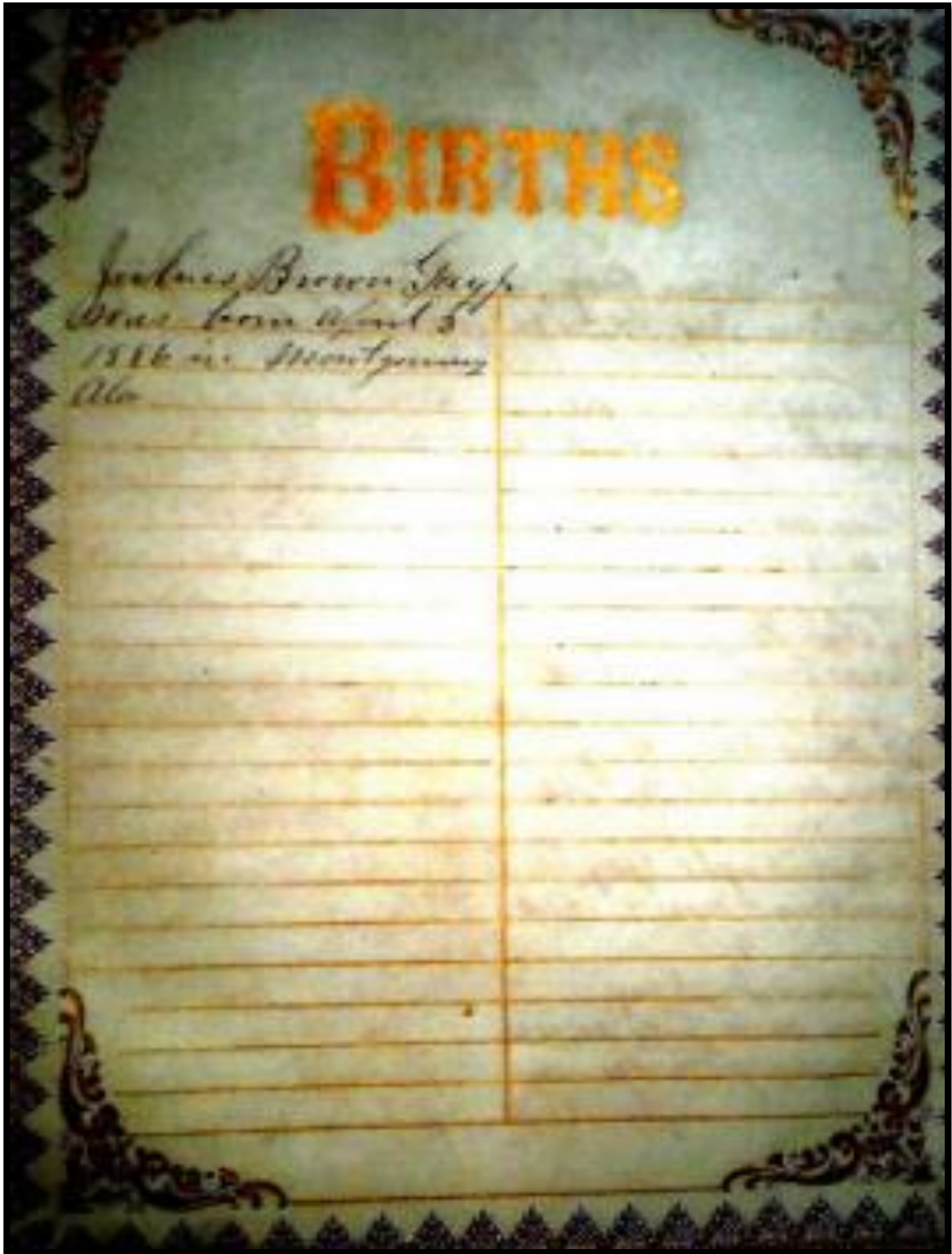
William David Gay,
was born Oct. 5, 1867.

Edwin Knight Gay,
was born Nov. 17, 1869.

Minnie Lee Gay,
was born July 28, 1872
in city of Montgomery.

DEATHS

Julius Brown
Waz died in
Los Angeles Cal
Dec 31st 1887 and
buried in Montgomery
Ala.



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