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Editor's Letter

Thanks to our member Anel Grayson for the photos, descendant charts, and letter about the family of her ancestor Walter Barnes and his wife, Permelia Penelope Hairgrove Barnes.

Our Society has a policy of protecting the personal information of living persons. In the absence of other information, I assume everyone born in 1925 or earlier is deceased and everyone born in 1926 or later is living. Accordingly, I have deleted the birthdays of all those persons on Mrs. Grayson's descendant chart born in 1926 or later.

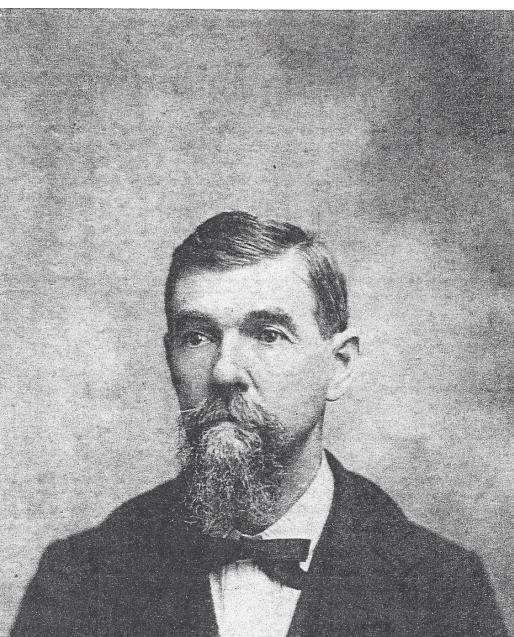
Thanks to our member Vivian Cates for her discussion of how to maintain genealogy records. We also congratulate Vivian and her husband, for their recent 50th wedding anniversary.

I am finding very hard to find suitable material to publish in TREE TALK. PLEASE send me material to publish.

Gordon Bennett Editor

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Don't Mess With The Living, TEXAS



Walter Barnes

Born Abt. 1831 in Massachusetts and died April 09, 1878 in Cherokee County, Texas.

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Descendants of Walter Barnes

Generation No. 1

 WALTER¹ BARNES was born Abt. 1831 in Mass .. and died April 09, 1878 in Cherokee County, Texas. He married PERMELIA PENEOPLA HAIRGROVE March 11. 1868 in Smith County, Texas, daughter of NEWELL HAIRGROVE and MARY LAND. She was born June 04, 1843 in Aberdeen, Mississippi, and died March 19. 1924 in Palestine, Anderson County. Texas.

More About PERMELIA PENEOPLA HAIRGROVE: Burial: Palestine City Cemetery, Palestine, Texas

Children of WALTER BARNES and PERMELIA HAIRGROVE are:

- 2. i. MARY EMMA² BARNES, b. December 14,1869, Smith County, Texas; d. January 24,1960, Anderson County, Texas.
 - MAHALA LENA BARNES, b. December 16, 1871, Smith County, Texas; d. January 10, 1962, Palestine, Anderson County, Texas; m. THOMAS D. GAM-BRELL, September 17, 1907, Anderson County, Texas; b. July 27,1877, Texas; d. July 24,1909, Palestine, Anderson County, Texas.

More About MAHALA LENA BARNES: Burial: Palestine City Cemetery, Palestine, Anderson County, Texas

More About THOMAS D. GAMBRELL: Burial: Elmwood Cemetery, Anderson County, Texas

Generation No.2

2. MARY EMMA² BARNES (*WALTER¹*) was born December 14, 1869 in Smith County, Texas, and died January 24,1960 in Anderson County, Texas. She married JOHN WADE BRALY November 13,1887 in Cherokee County, Texas, son of SAMUEL BRALY and MARY SMITH. He was born February 01, 1862 in Mixon, Cherokee County, Texas, and died April 20, 1947 in Anderson County, Texas.

More About MARY EMMA BARNES: Burial: Palestine City Cemetery, Palestine, Texas

> More About JOHN WADE BRALY: Burial: Palestine City Cemetery, Palestine, Texas

Children of MARY BARNES and JOHN BRALY are:

i. RUBY OVELLA³ BRALY, b. August 08, 1888, Mixon, Cherokee County, Texas; d. January 27,1890, Mixon, Cherokee County, Texas.

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More About RUBY OVELLA BRALY: Burial: Mixon Cemetery, Cherokee County, Texas

- ii. WALTER BERNARD BRALY, b. July 14, 1890, Mixon, Cherokee County, Texas; d. December 01,1978, Palestine, Anderson County, Texas.
- iii. AUNELLA MABEL BRALY, b. December 18,1891, Mixon, Cherrokee County, Texas; d. July 1985, Del Rio, Val Verde County, Texas.
- iv. ELDRED EARL BRALY, b. December 04,1893; d. March 06, 1973, Anderson County, Texas.
 - v. PAULINE HORTENSE BRALY, b. October 18, 1895; d. February 08, 1981.

More About PAULINE HORTENSE BRALY: Burial: Palestine City Cemetery, Palestine, Anderson County, TX

- 6. vi. MARIE LOUISE BRALY, b. September 30, 1897; d. October 11, 1976, Pales tine City Cemetery, Palestine, Texas.
- 7. vii. SAM BRALY, b. October 16,1899; d. November 20, 1967, VA Hospital, Dallas, Dallas County, Texas.
- 8. viii. FLORELLA BRALY, b. November 27, 1901; d. 1995.
 - ix. FONDA WADE BRALY, b. February 23,1904, Palestine, Anderson County, Texas; d. July 14,1978, Land of Memory Cemetery, Palestine, Texas; m. HENRY BRYANT GRIGSBY, Abt. 1924,7; b. March 14,1896; d. October 07, 1973, Land of Memory Cemetery, Palestine, Texas.
 - x. REBECCAH BRALY, b. January 10, 1908, Anderson County, Texas; d. July 13,1971; m. JAMES MONROE, Abt. 1928; b. Unknown.

More About REBECCAH BRALY: Burial: Palestine City Cemetery, Palestine, Anderson Co., TX

JOHN WADE BRALY, JR., b. July 31,1911, Anderson County, Texas; d. January 30,1989, Pipe Creek, Bandera County, Texas; m. ZELMA WALKER JONES, June 17, 1950, ?; b. August 26, 1908; d. January 25, 1998, Harris County, Texas.

More About JOHN WADE BRALY, JR.: Burial: St. Christopher's Episcopal Cemetery, Bandera County, Texas Military service: US Marine Corps in World War IT & Korea. Retired as Master Sergent.

More About ZELMA WALKER JONES: Burial: St. Christopher's Episcopal Cemetery, Bandera County, Texas TREE TALK

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3. WALTER BERNARD³ BRALY (*MARY EMMA² BARNES, WALTER¹*) was born July 14, 1890 in Mixon, Cherokee County, Texas, and died December 01, 1978 in Palestine, Anderson County, Texas. He married (1) EULA ALICE MITCHELL November 27, 1910 in 7, daughter of RUBEN MITCHELL and MARTHA FERRIS. She was born March 21, 1898 in 7, and died September 5, 1961 in 7. He married (2) VIRGINIA NICHOLSON Abt. 1924 in ?. She was born Unknown, and died Unknown. He married (3) IONA CAMPBELL Abt. 1927 in ?, She was born Unknown, and died Unknown. He married (4) ETHEL VIRGINIA HAYS December 31, 1933 in Tyler, Smith County, Texas, daughter of NARRIS HAYs and MARY KILE. She was born March 23, 1897 in Natachitoches Parish, Louisiana, and died June 18, 1968 in Tyler, Smith County, Texas. He married (5) MILDRED PAULINE ELLIOTT BASS April 06, 1951 in ?. She was born February 09, 1919, and died January 13, 1979 in Tyler, Smith County, Texas. He married (6) BERTHA BEATHARD November 01, 1968. She was born 1902.

More About WALTER BERNARD BRALY: Burial: Elmtown Cemetery, Anderson County, Texas

More About EULA ALICE MITCHELL: Burial: Palestine City Cemetery, Palestine, Anderson Co., TX Divorced: 1923

More About VIRGINIA NICHOLSON: Fact 1: Abt. 1925, divorced without any children

More About IONA CAMPBELL: Fact 1: Abt. 1928, divorced without any children

More About ETHEL VIRGINIA HAYs: Burial: Tyler Memorial Cemetery, Tyler, Smith County, Texas

More About MILDRED PAULINE ELLIOTT BASS: Burial: Bascom Cemetery, Smith County, Texas

Children of WALTER BRALY and EULA MITCHELL are: i. EULA FAY⁴ BRALY, b. August 27, 1911, Anderson County, Texas; d. March 04, 1913.

More About EULA F AY BRALY: Burial: Elmtown Cemetery, Anderson County, Texas

9. ii. WALTER RAY BRALY, b. August 27, 1911, Anderson County, Texas; d. February 03,1990, Bee County, Texas.

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iii. JOHN WILLIAM BRALY, b. Abt. 1913.

More About JOHN WILLIAM BRALY: Burial: Elmtown Cemetery, Anderson County, Texas

SARAH LEA BRALY. b.Abt. 1914.

More About SARAH LEA BRALY: Burial: Elmtown Cemetery, Anderson County, Texas

- 10. v. NEUAL MITCHELL BRALY, b. January 14, 1916, Anderson County, Texas; d. February 25, 2013, Palestine, Anderson County, Texas.
- 11. vi. MARY ANN BRALY, b. July 19, 1918, Anderson County, Texas; d. January 20, 1997, Palestine, Anderson County, Texas.

Child of WALTER BRALY and ETHEL HAYS is:

vii. NARRIS WADE4 BRALY, b. DELETED, Palestine, Anderson County, Texas.

Children of WALTER BRALY and MILDRED BASS are:

- viii. NELLA MARIE⁴ BRALY, b. DELETED; m. (1) DONNIE G. CAMP, DE LETED, Anderson County, Texas; b. 1954; m. (2) MICHAEL C BROWN, Feb ruary 14, 1982; b. 1950; m. (3) BOBBY J. FEATHERSTON, December 12,1991, Wood County, Texas.
- ix. EMMA LOUISE BRALY, b. DELETED ; m. BILLY J. DI)NCAN, JR., Novem ber 12, 1974, Wood County, Texas.
- x. WALTER BERNARD BRALY, JR., b. DELETED

4. AUNELLA MABEL³ BRALY (*MARY EMMA² BARNES, WALTER¹*) was born December 18, 1891 in Mixon, Cherokee County, Texas, and died July 1985 in Del Rio, Val Verde County, Texas. She married HOMER MILLS CELY December 27, 1910 in Palestine, Anderson County, Texas, son of BARNETT CELY and MI\RGARET FREEMAN. He was born February 18, 1885 in Brushy Creek, Anderson County, Texas, and died July 06, 1962 in Del Rio, Val Verde County, Texas.

More About AUNELLA MABEL BRALY: Burial: Del Rio, Val Verde County, Texas

More About HOMER MILLS CELY: Burial: Del Rio, Val Verde County, Texas Census: April 12, 1940, Val Verde County, Texas

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Children of AUNELLA BRALY and. HOMER CELY are:

- 13. i. KATHERINE WADE⁴ CELY, b. September 28, 1915, Frankston, Anderson County, Texas; d. February 06, 2010, Del Rio, Val Verde County, Texas »,
- 14. ii. MARY ATJNELLA CELY, b. January 25, 1917, Frankston, Anderson County, Texas; d. 1994.
 - iii. HOMER MILLS CELY, JR., b. December 10, 1925, Del Rio, Val Verde County, Texas: d. October 10, 1932, Del Rio, Val Verde County, Texas.

More About HOMER MILLS CELY, JR.: Burial: Westlawn Cemetery, Val Verde County, Texas

ELDRED EARL³ BRALY (*MARY EMMA² BARNES, WALTER¹*) was born December 04, 1893, and died March 06, 1973 in Anderson County, Texas. He married LOTA PEARL DENSON Abt. 1926 in? She was born June 29, 1902, and died December 22, 1976 in Anderson County, Texas.

More About ELDRED EARL BRALY: Burial: Palestine City Cemetery, Palestine, Anderson County, TX Military service: Unknown, U. S. Navy

More About LOTA PEARL DENSON: Burial: Palestine City Cemetery, Palestine, Anderson County, TX.

Child of ELDRED BRALY and LOTA DENSON is:

ROSEMARY⁴ BRALY, b. August 30, 1927; d. January 06, 1998; m. JIMMIE W. MIMS, Abt. 1945; b. October 12, 1926.

More About ROSEMARY BRALY: Burial: Palestine Cemetery, Anderson County, Texas

6. MARIE LOUISE³ BRALY (*MARY EMMA² BARNES, WALTER¹*) was born September 30, 1897, and died October 11, 1976 in Palestine City Cemetery, Palestine, Texas. She married MART DENNIS TARRANT May 19, 1922 in ?, son of GEORGE TARRANT and CARRIE L.. He was born December 24, 1896, and died November 04, 1935.

Notes for MART DENNIS TARRANT:

Mart Dennis Tarrent was Seaman 2nd class in USNRF. He was a son of George T. and Carrie L. Tarrent. Mart was a motorcycle patrolman with the Texas Department of Public Safety. On November 4, 1935, while trying to stop an intoxicated driver, on what is now known as the Old Dallas Highway, his motorcycle was struck by the intoxicated driver and Patrolman Tarrant lost his life.

More About MART DENNIS TARRANT: Burial: Larissa Cemetery, Cherokee County, Texas

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Children of MARIE BRALY and MART TARRANT are:

- i. MARY KATE⁴ TARRANT, m. F. A (BUD) CLENAGHAN, Unknown; b. Un known.
- ii. BEN ALLEN TARRANT, b. April 04, 1930, Dallas, Texas; d. March 03, 1955, Mount Selman, Cherokee County, Texas.

Notes for BEN ALLEN TARRANT:

Ben Allen Tarrant died March 3, 1955, in the U.S. Marines. He was buried at Mount Selman, Texas, and the Memorial Monument was from the men of H & S Btry., 1 st, 155 M M Gun Bn., U.S. Marines. Ben never married.

More About BEN ALLEN TARRANT: Burial: Larissa Cemetery, Cherokee County, Texas

 SAM³ BRALY (*MARY EMMA² BARNES, WALTER^I*) was born October 16, 1899, and died November 20, 1967 in VA Hospital, Dallas, Dallas County, Texas. He married (1) ONIE VENITA WALSTON April 16, 1923 in ?, daughter of JOHN WALSTON and MARy CARROLL. She was born November 10,1907 in Anderson County, Texas, and died February 05, 1994 in Houston, Harris County, Texas. He married (2) JUANITA BARBER Aft. 1940. She was born February 08, 1912.

More About SAM BRALY: Burial: Laurel Land Cemetery, Fort Worth, Tarrant County, Texas

More About ONIE VENITA WALSTON: Burial: Land of Memory Cemetery, Anderson County, Texas

Children of SAM BRALY and ONIE WALSTON are:

- 15. i. SAM⁴ BRALY.JR., b. May 12,1926, Harris County, Texas; d. September 18, 2004.
- 16. ii. DONALD WADE BR.ALY, b. DELETED, Harris County, Texas.

8. FLORELLA³ BRALY (*MARY EMMA² BARNES, WALTER¹*) was born November 27, 1901, and died 1995. She married CARLYLE ADAIR (LYLE) BRYAN February 27, 1927 in San Antonio, Bexar County, Texas, son of CHARLES BRYAN and MABELLE VAUGHN. He was born September 14, 1900 in?, and died July 17, 1967 in Hutchins. Texas.

Children of FLORELLA BRALY and CARLYLE BRYAN are: 17. i. FLO ANEL⁴ BRYAN, b. DELETED, Dallas, Texas.

18. ii. MARTHA WADE BRYAN, b. DELETED

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WALTER RAY⁴ BRALY (WALTER BERNARD³, MARY EMMA² BARNES, WALTER¹) was born August 27,1911 in Anderson County, Texas, and died February 03, 1990 in Bee County.Texas. He married HELEN HENDERSON August 27, 1932 in? She was born January 23, 1913.

Children of WALTER BRALY and HELEN HENDERSON are:

- 19. i. HELEN LYNN5 BRALY, b. DELETED
- 11. ii. BETTY RAY BRALY, b. DELETED; m. THOMi\S MONROE BOMOR, January 28, 1961; b. DELETED.
- NEUAL MITCHELL⁴ BRALY (WALTER BERNARD³, MARY EMMA² BARNES, WALTER¹) was born January 14, 1916 in Anderson County, Texas, and died February 25,2013 in Palestine, Anderson County, Texas. He married JESSIE BELL FRANKLIN November 23, 1935. She was born February 05, 1916 in Houston County, Texas, and died November 03, 1999 in Palestine, Anderson County, Texas.

More About NEUAL MITCHELL BRALY: Graduation: May 1934, Palestine High School, Palestine, Anderson Co., TX

More About JESSIE BELL FRANKLIN: Burial: Palestine City Cemetery, Anderson County, Texas

Children of NEUAL BRALY and JESSIE FRANKLIN are: i. MARTHA JO⁵ BRALY, b. DELETED

- 20. ii. MARJORIE LEE BRALY, b. DELETED
- MARY ANN⁴ BRALY (WALTER BERNARD³ MARY EMMA² BARNES, WALTER¹) was born July 19, 1918 in Anderson County, Texas, and died January 20, 1997 in Palestine, Anderson County, Texas. She married (1) WILLIAM B. JORDAN July 13, 1935 in Palestine, Anderson County, Texas, son of BENJAMIN JORDAN and ROSE E.. He was born September 28, 1908 in Palestine, Anderson County, Texas, and died June 16, 1944 in Palestine, Anderson County, Texas. She married (2) ELTON JOSEPH LARVIN July 13, 1946 in? He was born March 17, 1912 in ?, and died February 05, 1979 in? She married (3) AUTHUR B. JONES November 28, 1984 in Palestine, Anderson County, Texas. He was born April 16, 1913, and died May 15, 1994 in Palestine, Anderson County, Texas.

Notes for MARY ANN BRALY: Mary Ann Braly had only one child, a daughter, Billie Ann Jordan.

More About MARY ANN BRALY: Burial: Palestine City Cemetery, Palestine, Anderson Co., TX

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More About WILLLIAM B. JORDAN: Burial: Palestine City Cemetery, Palestine, Anderson Co., TX

More About ELTON JOSEPH LARVIN: Burial: Palestine City Cemetery, Palestine, Anderson Co., TX

More About AUTHUR B. JONES: Burial: Roselawn Park Cemetery, Palestine, Anderson County, Texas

Child of MARY BRALY and WILLIAM JORDAN is:

21. i. BILLIE ANN⁵ JORDAN, NARRIS WADE⁴ BRALY (WALTER BERNARD³, MARY EMMA² BARNES, WALTER¹) was born DELETED in Palestine. Anderson County, Texas. He married BETTY LOU BROOKSHIRE April 18, 1958 in Houston, Harris County, Texas, daughter of JOHN BROOKSHIRE and ADA ABBEY. She was born DELETED in Lufkin, Angelina County, Texas.

Children of BILLIE JORDAN and DOYLE JENKINS are:

- i. STEPHEN BENJAMIN⁶ JENKINS, b. September 06, 1956.
- ii. SEAN COURTNEY JENKINS, b. April 22, 1964; m. BRAD BRUGER, November 11, 1990; b. Unknown.

22. DANA ROCHELLE⁵ BRALY (*NARRIS WADE⁴*, *WALTER BERNARD³*, *MARY EMMA² BARNES, WALTER¹*) was born DELETED in Inglewood, Los Angeles County, California. She married LARRY WAYNE NICHOLS July 29, 1978 in Caldwell, Burleson County, Texas, son of JOHNNIE NICHOLS and ROSA LOEHR. He was born DELETED in Bryan, Brazos County, Texas.

Children of DANA BRALY and LARRY NICHOLS are:

- i. CAITLIN RACHELE⁶ NICHOLS, b. June 06, 1988; m. LEE RILEY, May 14, 2011, Austin, Travis County, Texas.
- ii. CHRISTIE MICHELE NICHOLS, b. January 28, 1991; m. RANCE CODY WHITAKER, January 04,2014, Galveston, Galveston County, Texas.

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Child of MA.RY CELY and JAMES MARTIN is: MARILYN AUNELLA5 MARTIN, b. March 22, 1946.

15. SAM⁴ BRALY, JR. (SAM³, MARY EMMA² BARNES, WALTER¹) was born May 12, 1926 in Harris County, Texas. and died September 18, 2004. He married JUANITA BAYARD Abt. 1947 in? She was born July 15, 1925, and died December 1985 in Sanford, NC.

More About SAM BRALY, JR.: Burial: Lee Memorial Gardens, Sanford, NC Military service: U.S. Army during World War II and Korea

Children of SAM BRALY and JUANITA BAYARD are: . i. VENETA⁵ BRALY, b. DELETED. ii. TERESA BRALY. b. Unknown.

DONALD WADE⁴ BRALY (*SAM, MARY EMMA² BARNES, WALTER¹*) was born May 2 L 1929 in Harris County, Texas. He married BEVERLY JUNE MYERS Abt. 1948 in? She was born December 19.1928.

Children of DONALD BRALY and BEVERLY MYERS are: i. NORMA. H⁵ BRALY, b. DELETED

ii. LETA KAY BRAI.LY, b. DELETED

FLO ANEL⁴ BRYAN (*FLORELLA³ BRALY, MARY EMMA² BARNES, WALTER¹*) was born DELETEDin Dallas. Texas. She married JOHN FRANKLIN McMINN, SR. June 22, 1945. He was born April 28, 1925, and died 1999.

Children of FLO BRYAN and JOHN McMINN are: i. GLORIA NELU MCMINN, b. DELETED; m. JOHN DONALD MOORE.

ii. JOHN FRANKLIN McMINN, JR., b. DELETED; m. JANET LEE PERRY; b. 1957.

18. MARTHA WADE⁴ BRYAN (*FLORELLA³ BRALY, MARY EMMA² BARNES, WALTER¹*) was born DELETED. . She married JAMES HIRAM LEAGUE August 28, 1947 in? He was born 1927.

Children of MARTHA BRYAN and JAMES LEAGUE are: i. JAMES WAYNE⁵ LEAGUE, b. DELETED

ii. KENNETH RILEY LEAGUE, b. DELETED

Iii. CHARLES WADE LEAGUE, b. DELETED

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19. HELEN LYNN⁵ BRALY (WALTER RAY⁴, WALTER BERNARD³, MARY EMMA² BARNES, WALTER¹) was born DELETED. She married THEODORE KENNETH ARNST September 08, 1956 in? He was born DELETED.

Children of HELEN BRALY and THEODORE ARNST are: i. KARL RAY⁶ ARNST, b. DELETED ii. CYNTHIA LYNN ARNST, b. DELETED

20. MARJORIE LEE⁵ BRALY (*NEUM MITCHELL⁴*, *W4.LTER BERNARD³*, *MARY EMMA²* BARNES, WALTER¹) was born DELETEDin? She married DAVID BRATZ August 20, 1959 in? He was born DELETED in?

More About MARJORIE LEE BRALY: Adoption: August 1968, Stephanie Leigh Divorced: May 24, 1995 Graduation: Unknown, Sam Houston State University

Children of MARJORIE BRALY and DAVID BRATZ are: i. STEPHNIE LEIGH⁶ BRATZ. ii. STEPHEN BRALY BRATZ.

21. BILLIE ANN⁵ JORDAN (*MARYANN⁴ BRALY*, *WALTER BERNARD³*, *MARY EMMA² BAR-NES, WALTER*¹) was born DELETED. She married (1) DOYLE KING JENKINS November 02, 1955 in? He was born DELETED, and died January 29, 1965. She married (2) ROBERT E. CHRISTY December 24, 1970. He was born Unknown.

Children of BILLIE JORDAN and DOYLE JENKINS are: i. STEPHEN BENJAMIN⁶ JENKINS, b. DELETED

ii. SEAN COURTNEY JENKINS, b. DELETED; m. BRAD BRUGER, November 11, 1990; b. Unknown.

22. DANA ROCHELLE⁵ BRALY (*NARRIS WADE*⁴, *WALTER BERNARD*³, *MARY EMMA*² BARNES, WALTER¹) was born DELETED in Inglewood, Los Angeles County, California. She married LARRY WAYNE NICHOLS July 29, 1978 in Caldwell, Burleson County, Texas, son of JOHNNIE NICHOLS and ROSA LOEHR. He was born July 12, 1955 in Bryan, Brazos County, Texas.

Children of DANA BRALY and LARRY NICHOLS are:

- CAITLIN RACHELE" NICHOLS, b. DELETED; m. LEE RILEY, May 14, 2 i. 011, Austin, Travis County, Texas.
- CHRISTIE MICHELE NICHOLS, b. DELETED; m. RANCE CODY ii. WHITAKER, January 04,2014, Galveston, Galveston County, Texas.

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23. ADA VIRGINIA⁵ BRALY (*NARRJS WADE*⁴, *WALTER BERNARD*³, *MARY EMMA*² BAR-*NES, WALTER*¹) was born DELETED in Tyler, Smith County, Texas. She married PATRICK STEPHEN COCHRAN August 25, 1988 in Austin, Travis County, Texas. He was born DE-LETED in SanAntonio, Texas.

Children of ADA BRALY and PATRICK COCHRAN are: i. ALEXA BRITTNEY⁶ COCHRAN, b. DELETED

- : 11. COURTNEY ALISSA COCHRAN, b. DELETED
- :... 111. PATRICK GARRETT COCHRAN, b. DELETED

24. JUNE RENEE⁵ BRALY (*NARRIS WADE*⁴, *WALTER BERNARD*³, *MARY EMMA*² BAR-NES, WALTER¹) was born DELETED in Sherman, Grayson County, Texas. She married MARK CLINTON JOHNSON May 19, 1984 in Caldwell, Burleson County, Texas, son of CHARLES JOHNSON and JANICE FLETCHER. He was born DELETED in Ft. Worth, Tarrant County, Texas.

Children of JUNE BRALY and MARK JOHNSON are:

- KARA BRALY⁶ JOHNSON, b. DELETED, Bryan, Brazos County, Texas; m, i. BRANDON MICHAEL SARLLS, August 16, 2008, Independence, Washington County, Texas.
- MEGAN CAROLINE JOHNSON, b. DELETED, Temple, Bell County, ii. Texas.

25. LEE OLAND⁵ WEATHERSBEE (KATHERINE WADE⁴ CELY, AUNELLA MABEL³ BRALY; MARY EMMA² BARNES, WALTER¹) was born DELETED

. He married (1) TERRY ANNE KING. He married (2) NAJIA H. LATY October 29, 1999 in Uvalde County, Texas.

Children of LEE WEATHERSBEE and TERRY KING are:

- CAMILLE ANNE⁶ WEATHERSBEE. b. DELETED, Val Verde County, i. Texas.
- MARTIN KING WEATHERSBEE, b. DELETED ii. Generation No. 6

26. STEPHEN BENJAMIN⁶ JENKINS (*BILLIE ANN⁵ JORDAN*, *MARY ANN⁴ BR4LY*, *WAL-*TER BERNARD3, MARY EMMA² BARNES, WALTER¹) was born DELETED. He married MARRIE TAMMARA COUCH 1984. She was born Unknown.

Children of STEPHEN JENKINS and MARRIE COUCH are: i. JORDAN ELYSE⁷ JENKINS, b. DELETED

ii. NATALIE CAMILE JENKINS, b. DELETED 2.

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Barnes Murder Mystery

Walter Barnes was born on Nantucket Island, Massachusetts, in the town of Sherbarn. His family came to America from the British Seles in the 1600's. They owned a fleet of whaling ships, and this was the "hub of the whaling industry" in early days. Walter Barnes mother, according to his older: daughter (my Grandmother - mary Emma (Barnes) Brak), was William Mitchell's sister. The Mitchell's were educators. Walter attended a business college in New York in the 1860's, before "heading out" for Sugar. To make a long story short, Walter came to East Jegar, Cherokee County, near Miyon, and (1870) purchased 160 acres of land. He and his wife, Permelia Penelope (Hairgrove) Barnes, parente of Two daughters, Mary Emma and Lena Mahala (who later taught school at miyon-3rd name on the marble marker.) He was somehow associated with Dr. F. L. Yoakum, President of Tarissa College; he was one of these (or all of these): a teacher at the school, a nurseyman with him in business, or a close friend and associate of his.

Larissa College had closed, and we do not know what Walter was doing to earn a living from 1870 to 1878. However, we find, through letters written to Permelia, that he had been involved in the Walter Barnes Murder Mystery

nursery business. His letters were witten explaining where he was telling us that he was selling frint trees to a large area of East Tegas, from Shelleyville down to Crockett, over to Palestine, Roonday and to new Boston (?) etc., Caledonia (?) Grapeland. Then his last letter came, telling the family he was on his way home, written on January 21, 1879. He never made it home. (His travelivas horselack.) Stories have told three different versions of his disappearance. (1) Grandma said, "Papa did not come home after his letter came, Mama wrote uncle Joel about it and he tried to help find him, but had no luck." "Later, a negro man told him he had left the country because he had witnessed Mr. Barnes murder, and the two white men said they would kill me if I didn't leave the country and never come back." But, he told the story because he did not want to die with the murder on his conscience. Who he told this to, unless it was the law, we do not know. (2) My Mother, Elo, who is Walter Barnes' grand-daughter, told this version: "I was a little girl when my mama sat us children down and told us; your Grandfather, Walter Barnes from Mijon, was murdered by two men when he was on his way home from a trip up north. In the winter he taught school (where? !!) and in

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the summer he went up North to trap for furs. He had a lot of money, about 2,000 on him, and he was murdered for his money. The old Negro man in his wagon came along with a load of cotton and saw them. They threatened him if he didn't leave the country. He went to arkansas where he had family. He came back later and told the story," The third story is this," Your Great-grandfather, Walter Barnes, had been on a long trip, and was on his way home. He stopped about 20 miles from home at a neighbor's house, whom he know well. Two men were there (strangers) to spend the night, as was the custom in that day. The friend asked Walter about his good fortune on his trip." Well, he told him how much money he had! Wrong thing to do?" The two men excused themselves after this and waylaid him when he came to where they were waiting. They killed him, buried him in a hole, where a big tree had blown over in a storm. Later, the story was told by someone who came down the road and they fled for their lines to Mefico," ... Oh, Well! Non-what? - (mestalking) Marris Braly, my first cousin, said he heard (from sources unknown) that two men in a town in Meyico, just across the border, were heard talking about the money they had from this Terrible act.) The person who heard them was from Cherokee County, Legas. He joined them, recognizing by -3-

their speech they spoke English. He got a few details, names eychanged a drink or two (not revealing they heard prior conversation! They mere "transferred" from Meyico to Jeyas, after he got back and told the story to law enforcement officers in Cherokee County! I searched Rusk Court House Records in the Criminal Court Records Dept, and found several murderers; some cases were supicious because of two men (different names) and some, two brothers, etc. were of record as being charged of murder, no victims were named. This was about 20 years ago when I searched _ and now no records remain in the Court house. Why couldn't I have been told where the books are now stored ? No one could tell me! Is anyone "out there" who is a "snoopy percon," a "would be detective", a real "sneak" or just curious enough to go hunting? I'd go with you in a "minute! "Help, somebody, please help! PS The search mentioned above was done for the period of early 1879, March and april, done hurriedly and not as thorough as should be, due to lack of time. I am a new member of the Cherokee Genealogical Society and regret, so very much, that we can't come to the meetings until daylight ends later in the evening! Ilaucoma restricts my husband's driving after dark.

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I can see her still as if it were yesterday, sitting in her old rocking chair on the back porch of our old colonial home in the country. This was in the small community of Elmwood about ten miles from Palestine, Texas. Grandma had lived with us for many years. Way back, when my mother was just a small child, Grandpa Barnes, who was Grandma's husband and the father of my mother, was brutally murdered. Grandpa was a school teacher and traveled on a horse to get to the school where he taught. This was a long way from his home. During the months of summer, when he was not teaching, he traveled horse-back, selling house-wares to farmer families. On one of his trips, Grandpa stopped by the house of a close friend and visited for a while. During his visit, he told of what good luck he had on this trip of selling, giving the amount of money he had collected. A young boy about seventeen years of age, who was the son of this friend of Grandpa, was sitting there listening to Grandpa's story of good luck. Before the story was finished, this boy got up and left the room. Grandpa and the father of the boy paid no attention to the absence of the boy. But, the boy had been tempted--- and murder was in his heart.

His plan was to get the money Grandpa had on him, even though it might require murder. It so happened that an old negro man was coming down the road. The boy stopped the negro and made him do the dirty work of murdering Grandpa. Then the boy told the old negro to get on his horse and cross over the border into Mexico, and never return to Texas. In the meantime, Grandma was "frantic." For days and days, and months and months, and years and years went by and still no return of Grandpa.

Grandma had only two children: my mother and Aunt Lena. Since Grandpa was gone, they had to work hard to manage to live. They hired out as laborers to pick cotton for all their neighbors. This is how they survived.

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In the meantime, this old negro who had murdered Grandpa, escaped out of Texas and crossed over the border into Mexico. He was now an old man and soon would pass on into "eternity". He could not think of: dying with this sin upon his conscience. So, he made a return to this country. He found Grandma's home and on bended knees and tears streaming down his cheeks, he told the story to Grandma of how he murdered Grandpa.

He also told her how he was forced to commit the murder by a man who lived in her community. By this time the seventeen year old boy who had forced the old negro man to murder Grandpa was now an old man. This sin he had committed dwelt so upon his mind and conscience that he became insane--- finally, he committed suicide. What a tragedy sin is.

When the old negro man told this sordid story to Grandma, he begged her to go with him to the scene where Grandpa was murdered. She did---and there under the big oak tree they round the skull of Grandpa. (This story will stay with me always.)

There is something else that will stay with me, too. It is the beautiful character that Grandma had. Even though she had this tragical murder to happen to her beloved husband, she always seemed so happy. I can still see her as she sat on our old back porch at our home in the small community of Elmwood, laughing with joy, making her big stomach shake as she rocked back and forth in her old rocking-chair. We never saw her sad or gloomy-- never mad or frustrated--never too busy to stop whatever she was doing to help anyone of us eleven children. I will never forget her. She has been a constant inspiration to me and always will be.

I pray I can come to the end of the way as graciously as she did. Her memories will linger with me forever. Some day I know I shall see her again. That will be a great re-union in Heaven.

(Letter written by Florelle Braly Bryan, great granddaughter of Permelia Hairgrove Barnes, wife of Walter Barnes)



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By Vivian Toole Cates

This is a revision of the Getting organized program I presented to Angelina County Genealogical Society on September 21,2009 and given at the Cherokee County Genealogical Society on May 9, 2016. According to a program on television Sunday morning, genealogy ranks as the second most pursued hobby in the U. S., second only to gardening. Second most researched on the Internet after Porn.

There is no right or wrong way to organize your genealogy "stuff." Genealogy is supposed to be a hobby/disease, fun to do and not a chore/burden. The only person you need to please is yourself. One size/way/method does not suit everyone's purpose or family. Hope-fully, you will leave your hobby/disease organized in some kind of shape that someone else can use and your heirs will not throw out after you are gone.

We are all at various stages in our genealogy research. Some of us are beginners and some of us are more experienced. I have been doing serious genealogy research since 1967. I hope I can hit on enough points that all of you can take something away from this program.

As time progresses expect your organizational system/systems to make either major or minor changes as your research progresses and your focus changes. Since I first gave this program in 2009, my method of filing information on paper has basically stayed the same. My method of storage has changed. The way I have done mine and Dan's may not be the way you want to do yours.

Organizing your genealogy research is like parenting our children. Do as I say, not as I do. We all learn from experience.

Some of us still use paper and pencil the old fashion way before the Internet developed. Some people depend almost exclusively on computers. Some people use notebooks which require book cases for storage. Some people use paper files which require paper banker boxes or plastic file crates or major size metal filing cabinets. Some people use combinations of these systems. For storing three-ring binder notebooks on bookcase shelves, there needs to be at least 12 inches clearance from the top of the bottom shelf to the bottom of the top shelf to fit a notebook that holds for 8 1/2 by 11 paper. Twelve inches from the center of the bottom shelf to the center of the top shelf is about an inch or more too short and the notebooks will not fit. I strongly recommend legal size file folders and legal size filing cabinets. Many of the old documents and record copies are larger than the standard 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ X 11 standard letter size of today's records. After years of using manila file folders, I highly recommend hang file folders. It is possible over time to convert from manila folders to hanging files as I have done in the past few years.

If you have life experiences from a business/office background where you used various filing systems, you are probably way ahead of those of us who are more challenged in that department.

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The very first step in organizing your genealogy "stuff" is to have a designated place to put it somewhere in your house. Whether it is just a notebook, several notebooks, filing cabinet, or a old paper cardboard box or plastic crates or cardboard banker boxes have a designated place to keep it. If you have and use a computer for your genealogy research, near the computer is the ideal place.

Begin to organize your genealogy project by filling out a pedigree/lineage chart with the standard numbering system. That is the main common item that is needed to correspond/talk to other genealogists. The top line is the male/father surname. The bottom line is the female/ mother line. The top of the chart is the father and the bottom is the mother. Fill out as many surnames/pedigree chart names as possible on the lineage/pedigree chart out to at least five generations, even if you do not have given names or any dates and places.

Label a separate file folder or notebook section for each surname. Fill out a family group sheet for each generation for which you have a given name and any other vital information. Put these family group sheets in the appropriate surname file or notebook section. This is the beginning basis for organizing your genealogy project. If this is all that you ever do, it is the beginning of a family history to past down to your grandchildren or other relatives who do have descendants. Most people know enough about their family to at least know the names and some information about their grandparents. Some even know something about their great grandparents. For a grandchild, cousin or nephew of a later generation this could cover as many as five or six or maybe more generations.

Why do I need paper files or notebooks? At some point in time you are going to find it necessary to actually go to a library, courthouse, and archives, to look up information. Not everything is on the Internet. Most of these facilities do not allow the researcher to take in many notebooks, etc. You are generally limited in what can be taken into the facility even down to brief case, computers and lady's purses. That is another program topic.

When going to a library, courthouse. Etc. use a pad of connected paper or spiral notebook to keep your research organized. Loose pages of notebook paper tend to get out of order. If permitted, take a file folder for any copies made on the visit. If you don't have a separate folder, the connected pad of paper makes a good storage place.

I am basically a paper and pencil/pen person because that is the way I began my research even before the Internet was a dream. I am a genealogist first and I use a computer to aide in that research. Some of the younger people began using computers early and genealogy is just something for them to do with a computer. They are really computer "techies!"

I strongly recommend the use of a computer genealogy program. The best program for you to use is the one that you know how to use. Just like cars the brands and types have varied since the Internet developed. You learn how to drive one vehicle or several. That skill transfers easily over to other vehicles. The same principle applies to computer genealogy programs. Some have more gadgets; they are get you there. Some programs that are no longer supported

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are PAF/LDS program, The Master Genealogist, and now Family Tree and some lesser known ones that have fallen by the wayside. Some of the ones available now are Legacy, Roots Magic and Ancestral Quest(?). I might have found someone who can come give us a workshop on Roots Magic. Again that is a topic for another time.

I still use PAF though I still do not know all of the tricks to using it like adding pictures. I never really liked FTM and went back to PAF after trying it out. Things I want from a computer genealogy program. 1. Print out a book with index and footnotes. 2. A descendent chart. 3. Print out a standard pedigree/lineage chart with lines instead of blocks.

Keep in mind that a computer requires a printer. I have found that the best computer that you can afford should be able to printout hundreds of pages without having to replace the cartridge. Number of pages per cartridge, not the speed, is the most important thing, at least to me.

I found that I could not handle all of my families in the same file. In one file there were just too many names and sources for me to keep in mind. I want to know when I look at the index lists that these were all associated with one branch of my family. I basically have one file from which I can print out an ahnentafel of my direct line. Then I made about four separate files for each of my major four surnames.

We have separate files in the computer genealogy program for my husband's family. I have found that taking a laptop computer into a library or archives requires a research partner to sit with your computer while you search the stacks and move around looking up information. Thefts have occurred in such places.

In addition to the use of a computer genealogy program, one of the next best things I bought some years ago was my own binding machine that punches holes and attaches plastic spirals to make books. This is important to me because I live 35 miles from an office supply store in several directions.

So, what if I have some sort of a beginning of a filing system, how do I get control of these stacks of paper I have generated through my research? Again, this is a "Do as I say" and not as "I do!" I am basically a stacker. I pile on any surface. Take it out of the filing cabinet. It never makes it back. Start to work on a family doing whatever; then it is time to do something else. Fix a meal, go to bed, get ready to go somewhere, Etc. I never seem to get it finished before moving on to something else. Another bit of information comes along and the other project gets buried under the next one on another family.

Set out a place to work in your house! This organizational activity may not be finished in a day, week, or a month. Get some boxes, crates, small plastic boxes the size of flat $8 \ 1/2 \ X$ 11 paper, etc. The number of boxes or containers will depends upon how much "stuff" there is to organize and how or where it was stored in the past. If we have been doing research for

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some time, we all have "stuff" around that never gets back to its file. Or we have notes and copies from research trips that we never got back to following up.

Assemble any needed additional items of any other basic office supplies. Labels, markers, whatever looks like we might need it. This hobby has us buying and keeping on hand basic office supplies more like small business offices. Three-ring binders by the box from the big box discount store. More file folders, file boxes, stapler. Archivists shudder at staples, but they work. All of these "goodies" to support our genealogy hobby make excellent gifts for all occasions. I have gotten filing cabinets for Christmas, a credenza for my computer. I got used hanging file folders from the used office supply place here in Lufkin.

Depending on the amount of "stuff" have a separate container for your spouse's side and one for yours at least. It is not always possible to handle just one piece of paper once. This is not a one day project. I am not that organized! Make a file folder for each surname. Some items you may get refiled the first time. Others will go into another container for review for later filing until you decide where to put them. Have a folder at least for each surname. Later you can split out the contents of the single surname folder as it fills up. This is much easier with hanging files to just change the labels in the little plastic removable tabs.

It is possible to obtain metal racks that convert older metal filing cabinets to accommodate hanging files. Several manila folders can be placed in individual hanging files. I am glad that I converted from manila folders to hanging file folders. However, even with this conversion, I ran into problems with even the simplest color coding systems. I have neglected to mention that I have attended several programs through the years from various genealogists who use, to me, very complicated numbering, color coded systems, and indexing systems that seem like more work to me. I like the chase/search and the challenge of solving relationship problems and not the filing and organizing.

Boxes of manila file folders come in bulk of 1/3 cut split into the three different tabs. Some are $\frac{1}{4}$ cut or 1/5. If you are really organized, this can be made to work. Over the years it did not work for me. I would mix the tabs sizes and then the tabs were not consistent of all of the folders in that section the same place. I had trouble finding folders I knew I had.

File folders come in some really nice colors. The same problems develop with color coding by family. The next time you run out, that color is no longer available. How much should I buy to avoid running out?

Then the used hanging files came with several different tab colors. Red, green, yellow. Then I used one color for each side of the family, ran out, and did not find any more at the big box store. I have had the same way with the clear tabs. There were several slightly different styles, none of which were exactly like the ones I had. I also began using some colored labels I had and ran out of some colors. So much for trying to get organized with matching colored materials.

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Dan's family information is currently in one of our older four drawer legal size filing cabinets that just happened to accommodate hanging files. Putting his families in alphabet order did not work out well because it unbalanced the drawers and the cabinet tried to turn over. Thus Allred, Bradley and some other surname files are in the second drawer. Fondren information is in the top drawer and Cates are in the bottom drawer.

I began making my own surname dividers by recycling any big cardboard boxes. I made a larger pattern from one of the hanging file folders. They are not as pretty as a purchased set, but much more useful!

One Christmas recently I traded an older desk I had bought used before 1973, plus some cash for a credenza that now holds my desktop computer and two printers. It has three drawers on each side of the keyhole with the two bottom drawers being legal size to hold hanging files. With this "deal" came another huge box of used hanging file folders.

Another previous Christmas I bought a five drawer 48 inch legal sized metal filing cabinet from the same used office supply place in Lufkin. It came with a big carton of used legal size hanging file folders. I have stored on the top roll out shelf miscellaneous items, mostly maps and manuscripts. The other four drawers I have divided, one drawer for each surname of my four grandparents. The top two are my paternal side and the bottom two drawers are my maternal side. To further separate the individual surnames, I changed the position of the removal plastic tabs along the top edge of the hanging file.

I recommend printing out e-mails on paper and filing them with the individual family files. This is not what I did and I should have. I have lost some correspondence in computer crashes. I highly recommend this procedure if you know for sure that you are related to the person with whom you are corresponding. Some real computer "nerds' can do this with folders. I am still a basic paper/book person. I want to be able to read it without turning on the power. Before the Internet, I used a lot of carbon paper. I mailed one copy and kept one for the file. This gave an instant record of what information was exchanged in the correspondence.

One title for this folder could be the surname-correspondence. If there are more than a couple of letters perhaps with a lot of information make a separate folder that might be labeled Surname-Correspondence- that person's name and any other identifying information that might fit on the label. Other labels in the individual surname sections might be locations specific to that family, cemetery records, just to name a few. This might be somewhat different for each surname as the type of information you have can be different.

If information on any web site on the Internet looks like your family and your line, follow one researcher motto, "Print it out for your paper files!" It might not be there the next time you look. This has happened to me just this week. I was looking for a web site I had used; it is now changed. I did not find what I thought had been there. Another site seems to have disappeared.

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This is another system to organize the proofs needed for joining a lineage society and to organize your information in general. It is using the numbering system on the standard lineage/ pedigree chart. Use yourself as one. Then follow through with the numbers of the ancestor chart. In this notebook section or folder, place the vital record originals and/or copies need to prove that lineage for NSDAR, SAR, UDC, Colonial Dames, etc.

There are sets of dividers with printed numbers for sale to do this. They can also be numbered by hand and color coded. Clear plastic pocket picture sheets are good for this. The pockets can include notes for what information is missing to prove the line. Just be careful not to drop the notebook and have paper fall out of the top.

For more help in organizing your genealogy "stuff" come early to a future Cherokee County Genealogical Society meeting and I can give some individualized help.

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