# Descendants of FELIX WESLEY TOLLEY

#### Generation No. 1

**1. FELIX WESLEY¹ TOLLEY** was born Dec 19, 1894 in Henderson Co, TN, and died Mar 02, 1975 in Calhoun City, MS. He married **SARAH JANE HEARINGTON** Feb 13, 1916 in Henderson Co, TN, daughter of WILLIAM HEARINGTON and OCIE ALTOM. She was born Oct 30, 1892 in Henderson Co, TN, and died Jun 11, 1974 in Calhoun City, MS.

More About FELIX WESLEY TOLLEY:

Burial: Pinecrest Cemetery, Near Calhoun City, MS

More About SARAH JANE HEARINGTON:

Burial: Pinecrest Cemetery, Near Calhoun City, MS

## Children of FELIX TOLLEY and SARAH HEARINGTON are:

- + 2 i. Velta Marguerite<sup>2</sup> Tolley, born Jan 30, 1917 in Calhoun City, MS; died Aug 03, 1998 in Oklahoma City, OK.
- + 3 ii. Leolis Laverne Tolley, born Dec 19, 1918 in Calhoun City, MS.
- + 4 iii. Rachel LaRue Tolley, born Jul 23, 1921 in Calhoun City, MS; died Aug 02, 1983 in Clarksdale, MS.
- + 5 iv. Neila Grace Tolley, born Jan 30, 1923 in Calhoun City, MS; died Feb 01, 1982 in Calhoun City, MS.
- + 6 v. CECIL RAY TOLLEY, born Dec 19, 1924 in Calhoun City, MS; died Jan 04, 1987 in Oklahoma City, OK.
- + 7 vi. Felix Wesley, Jr. Tolley, born Aug 27, 1935 in Calhoun City, MS.

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**2.** Velta Marguerite<sup>2</sup> Tolley (FELIX WESLEY<sup>1</sup>) was born Jan 30, 1917 in Calhoun City, MS, and died Aug 03, 1998 in Oklahoma City, OK. She married **Emory Tristan Young** in Oklahoma City, OK, son of Everette Young and Ila Miller. He was born Jun 18, 1907 in Marshall, TX, and died May 03, 1980 in Oklahoma City, OK.

Children of Velta Tolley and Emory Young are:

- + 8 i. Helen Rose<sup>3</sup> Young, born May 04, 1951 in Oklahoma City, OK.
- + 9 ii. Loretta Jean Young, born Apr 21, 1955 in Oklahoma City, OK.
- **3.** Leolis Laverne<sup>2</sup> Tolley (FELIX WESLEY<sup>1</sup>) was born Dec 19, 1918 in Calhoun City, MS. She married **Kenneth William Gurley, Sr.**, son of John Gurley and Lillie Harrison. He was born Oct 09, 1917 in Wheeler, Prentiss Co, MS, and died Feb 11, 2005 in Memphis, TN<sup>1</sup>.

More About Kenneth William Gurley, Sr.:

Burial: Feb 16, 2005, West Tennessee Veteran's Cemetery<sup>2</sup>

Children of Leolis Tolley and Kenneth Gurley are:

+ 10 i. Charlotte Ann<sup>3</sup> Gurley, born Apr 23, 1940 in Calhoun City, MS.

ii. Dorothy Joy Gurley, born Mar 23, 1943 in Calhoun City, MS; died Mar 30, 1943 in Calhoun City, MS.

More About Dorothy Joy Gurley: Burial: Oak Springs Cem., Calhoun City, MS

- + 12 iii. Kenneth William Gurley, Jr., born Apr 22, 1946 in Shelby Co, TN.
- **4. Rachel LaRue<sup>2</sup> Tolley** (FELIX WESLEY<sup>1</sup>) was born Jul 23, 1921 in Calhoun City, MS, and died Aug 02, 1983 in Clarksdale, MS. She married **James Everette Justice** Sep 12, 1940 in Walthall, MS. He was born Jul 23, 1919 in Webster Co, MS, and died Dec 11, 1981 in Calhoun City, MS.

More About Rachel LaRue Tolley:

Burial: Memorial Gardens, Clarksdale, MS

More About James Everette Justice:

Burial: Memorial Gardens, Clarksdale, MS

Child of Rachel Tolley and James Justice is:

- + 13 i. James "Jimmy" Everett<sup>3</sup> Justice, Jr., born Mar 11, 1943 in Calhoun City, MS.
- **5. Neila Grace<sup>2</sup> Tolley** (FELIX WESLEY<sup>1</sup>) was born Jan 30, 1923 in Calhoun City, MS, and died Feb 01, 1982 in Calhoun City, MS. She married **James Davis Collins**.

Child of Neila Tolley and James Collins is:

- + 14 i. Larry Lynn<sup>3</sup> Collins, born Jul 19, 1947 in Calhoun City, MS; died Jul 18, 1974 in Grenada, MS.
- **6. CECIL RAY<sup>2</sup> TOLLEY** (FELIX WESLEY<sup>1</sup>) was born Dec 19, 1924 in Calhoun City, MS, and died Jan 04, 1987 in Oklahoma City, OK. He married **Nadine Bernice Blakemore** Apr 30, 1949 in Dallas, TX. She was born Oct 07, 1927 in Oklahoma City, OK.

## Notes for CECIL RAY TOLLEY:

- l. Cecil served in the U.S. Marine Corps., Fourth Marines, twenty fourth division, Company A during World War II in the Pacific Theatre. He participated in the battles of The Marshall Islands and the Marianas Islands: Saipan and Tinian. He also participated in the Battle of Roi and Namur, Kwajalein Atoll, M.I. He was decorated with the "Navy Cross" for his action of July 25, 1944 while serving in the invasion of the island of Tinian, Marianas Islands. Shorty thereafter from this island the plane "Enola Gay" made it's departure to bomb Hiroshima, Japan; thus contributing to the end of World War II. His action is listed in "Heroes, U.S. Marine Corps 1861-1955" author, Jane Blakeney, pg. 114.
- 2. "American War Medals and Decorations" author, Evans E. Kerrigan gives this description of the "Navy Cross": "The Navy Cross, second only to the Congressional Medal of Honor for Navy personnel, (the Marines were a branch of the Navy until after World War II) is awarded to officers and enlisted men who distinguish themselves by extraordinary heroism in military operations against an armed enemy. Authorized by Congress on February 4, 1919, this award was originally the Navy's third highest decoration, and was given both for combat heroism and for other distinguished service. The greater number of the early awards were for service in World War I. An act of Congress of

August 7, 1942, gave the Navy Cross precedence over the Distinguished Service Medal, making it a combat award only, and giving it second place in the Navy's "pyramid of honor"."

3. Cecil was a 33rd degree Mason and a Shriner.

Children of CECIL TOLLEY and Nadine Blakemore are:

- i. LINDA RAYE<sup>3</sup> TOLLEY, born May 17, 1951 in Tulsa, OK. She married Gregory Wayne Ferguson Sep 21, 1974 in Cookson, OK; born Jun 22, 1953 in Texas.
- + 16 ii. CECILIA FAYE TOLLEY, born Nov 23, 1952 in Oklahoma City, OK.
- **7. Felix**<sup>2</sup> Wesley, Jr. Tolley (FELIX WESLEY<sup>1</sup> TOLLEY) was born Aug 27, 1935 in Calhoun City, MS. He married **Zula Bea** "**Zudy**" **Bowie** Mar 10, 1956 in Webster Co, MS. She was born May 22, 1937 in Choctaw Co, MS.

Children of Felix Wesley and Zula Bowie are:

- + 17 i. Russell Anthony<sup>3</sup> Tolley, born Jan 16, 1958 in New Orleans, LA.
- + 18 ii. Wesley Ray Tolley, born Feb 14, 1961 in Pike Co. MS.

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**8.** Helen Rose<sup>3</sup> Young (Velta Marguerite<sup>2</sup> Tolley, FELIX WESLEY<sup>1</sup>) was born May 04, 1951 in Oklahoma City, OK. She married **Donald Hulme** Jun 04, 1970 in Oklahoma City, OK, son of John Hulme and Betty Merchant. He was born Nov 29, 1944 in Oklahoma City, OK.

Marriage Notes for Helen Young and Donald Hulme: Divorced 1982

Children of Helen Young and Donald Hulme are:

- + 19 i. Bryan Joseph<sup>4</sup> Hulme, born Nov 16, 1973 in Oklahoma City, OK.
  - ii. Kevin Russell Hulme, born Jun 29, 1977 in Oklahoma City, OK.
- **9.** Loretta Jean<sup>3</sup> Young (Velta Marguerite<sup>2</sup> Tolley, FELIX WESLEY<sup>1</sup>) was born Apr 21, 1955 in Oklahoma City, OK. She married **Billie Lee Guthery** Sep 05, 1975 in Oklahoma City, OK, son of Lee Guthery and Ruedean Salter. He was born Jun 23, 1954.

Children of Loretta Young and Billie Guthery are:

- i. Harley Lee<sup>4</sup> Guthery, born Dec 06, 1977 in Oklahoma City, OK. He married Cathleen Baumeister Jun 09, 2001 in Jones, OK.
- ii. Heath Emory Guthery, born Jun 13, 1979 in Oklahoma City, OK.
- 23 iii. Craig Taylor Guthery, born Nov 12, 1980 in Oklahoma City, OK.
- **10.** Charlotte Ann<sup>3</sup> Gurley (Leolis Laverne<sup>2</sup> Tolley, FELIX WESLEY<sup>1</sup>) was born Apr 23, 1940 in Calhoun City, MS. She married **James Doyle Crouch, Sr.**, son of Herman Crouch and Eva Davis. He was born May 17, 1938 in Oxford, MS.

Children of Charlotte Gurley and James Crouch are:

- i. James Doyle Jr.<sup>4</sup> Crouch, born Oct 14, 1962 in Shelby Co, TN. He married Felicia Dawn Ferrer Sep 12, 1998 in Shelby Co, TN; born Aug 16, 1977 in Shelby Co, TN.
- ii. Jonathan David Crouch, born Oct 31, 1964 in Shelby Co, TN; died Aug 11, 2001 in Warner Robins, GA. He married Vera Hammond Apr 08, 1989 in Collierville, TN; born Jun 17, 1965 in Iloilo, Phillipines.

More About Jonathan David Crouch: Burial: Magnolia Cem, Collierville, TN

- 26 iii. Sherie Ann Crouch, born Sep 16, 1967 in Shelby Co, TN. She married James Thomas Guyer Mar 03, 1990 in Collierville, TN.
- iv. Kenneth Wesley Crouch, born Aug 18, 1971 in Shelby Co, TN.
- **12.** Kenneth William<sup>3</sup> Gurley, Jr. (Leolis Laverne<sup>2</sup> Tolley, FELIX WESLEY<sup>1</sup>) was born Apr 22, 1946 in Shelby Co, TN. He married (1) Sandra Halberg. She was born in Kokomo, Indiana. He married (2) Brenda Crosby Nov 04, 1989 in Memphis, TN. She was born Feb 10, 1945.

Children of Kenneth Gurley and Sandra Halberg are:

- i. Scott<sup>4</sup> Gurley, born Sep 23, 1968 in Memphis, TN.
- 29 ii. Chris Gurley, born Dec 07, 1972 in Memphis, TN.

Child of Kenneth Gurley and Brenda Crosby is:

- i. Wendy<sup>4</sup> Gurley, born Apr 26, 1990.
- 13. James "Jimmy" Everett<sup>3</sup> Justice, Jr. (Rachel LaRue<sup>2</sup> Tolley, FELIX WESLEY<sup>1</sup>) was born Mar 11, 1943 in Calhoun City, MS. He married **Shirley Ann Cirilli** Sep 20, 1967 in Clarksdale, MS, daughter of Albino Cirilli and Angelina Menotti. She was born Jan 10, 1946 in Coahoma Co, MS.

Children of James Justice and Shirley Cirilli are:

i. Ann Marie<sup>4</sup> Justice, born Dec 11, 1968. She married John Duraj in Clarksdale, MS.

Notes for Ann Marie Justice:

Ann Marie was selected as Clarksdale's Valentine Girl in 1976.

- 32 ii. Angela Justice, born Aug 08, 1971 in Clarksdale, MS. She married Thomas Gerrets in Jackson, MS; born in Jackson, MS.
- 33 iii. Amy Justice, born Sep 16, 1972 in Clarksdale, MS. She married John Hill in Jackson, MS.
- **14.** Larry Lynn<sup>3</sup> Collins (Neila Grace<sup>2</sup> Tolley, FELIX WESLEY<sup>1</sup>) was born Jul 19, 1947 in Calhoun City, MS, and died Jul 18, 1974 in Grenada. MS. He married **Sarah Edna Heath** Aug 1967 in Grenada, MS.

Children of Larry Collins and Sarah Heath are:

- i. Larry<sup>4</sup> Collins, Jr., born Jan 20, 1969 in Grenada, MS.
- ii. Joshua Heath Collins, born Oct 07, 1971 in Grenada, MS.

**16. CECILIA FAYE<sup>3</sup> TOLLEY** (CECIL RAY<sup>2</sup>, FELIX WESLEY<sup>1</sup>) was born Nov 23, 1952 in Oklahoma City, OK. She married **Derald Wayne Elzy**. He was born Jan 16, 1951 in Oklahoma City, OK, and died Jul 30, 1976 in Oklahoma City, OK.

Child of CECILIA TOLLEY and Derald Elzy is:

i. Micah Ray<sup>4</sup> Elzy, born May 30, 1975; died Aug 16, 1987 in Oklahoma City, OK.

More About Micah Ray Elzy:

**Burial: Cremated** 

**17.** Russell Anthony<sup>3</sup> Tolley (Felix<sup>2</sup> Wesley, Jr. Tolley, FELIX WESLEY<sup>1</sup> TOLLEY) was born Jan 16, 1958 in New Orleans, LA. He married **Jamie Leah McClure** Aug 15, 1982 in Athens, GA, daughter of James McClure and Carolyn Weaver. She was born Jun 30, 1958 in Fulton Co, GA.

Child of Russell Tolley and Jamie McClure is:

- i. Benjamin<sup>4</sup> BowieTolley, born Mar 09, 1986 in San Antonio, Bexar Co, TX.
- **18.** Wesley Ray<sup>3</sup> Tolley (Felix<sup>2</sup> Wesley, Jr. Tolley, FELIX WESLEY<sup>1</sup> TOLLEY) was born Feb 14, 1961 in Pike Co. MS. He married **Cathy Lynn Clark** Oct 18, 1986 in Putnam Co, GA. She was born 1954 in Baldwin Co, GA.

Child of Wesley Tolley and Cathy Clark is:

i. Candice Rae<sup>4</sup> Tolley, born Apr 15, 1988 in Bibb Co, GA.

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**19. Bryan Joseph<sup>4</sup> Hulme** (Helen Rose<sup>3</sup> Young, Velta Marguerite<sup>2</sup> Tolley, FELIX WESLEY<sup>1</sup>) was born Nov 16, 1973 in Oklahoma City, OK. He married **Amber Dawn Renteria** Mar 15, 1997 in Oklahoma City, OK. She was born Apr 30, 1974 in Oklahoma City, OK.

Children of Bryan Hulme and Amber Renteria are:

- i. Brayden Phillip<sup>5</sup> Hulme, born May 10, 2000 in Oklahoma City, OK.
- 40 ii. Bryce Joseph Hulme, born Jul 09, 2004 in Oklahoma City, OK.

## **Endnotes**

- 1. Death Records.
- 2. Funeral Home Records, Memorial Park Cemetery, North Chapel.