



WARREN COUNTY GENEALOGICAL & HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION

Newsletter

May 2021

201 Locust Street

McMinnville, Tennessee

Covid 19 Held Us Back, but We're Off and Running Again

WCGHA *Finally* Allowed to Meet



The Warren County Genealogical & Historical Association held their first meeting in over a year on April 17. Election of officers and installation was at the top of the agenda. Officers installed for 2021, shown above are: Marion Rhea Speaks, Vice-President; Cheryl Watson Mingle, President; J.B. Brown, Treasurer; Barbara Brandon Bates, newly elected Secretary and Ann Brown, Past President. Committee chairpersons were elected and installed as well, photo on next page.



Our Committee Chairpersons for 2021 were installed by President Cheryl Watson Mingle following the officer installation. From l-r are: Christine Bouldin, Refreshment; Evelyn Wade, Office; Mary Oaks, Research and Office; Marion Rhea Speaks, Programs; J.B. Brown, Membership; Ann Brown, Bulletin Editor and Web Page Editor; Bonita Mangrum, Research; and Doyle Speaks, Newsletter Editor. Not pictured are Debra McBride, Circulation Manager and Brad Walker, Publicity and Historian.

WCGHA's Next Meeting

Will be on May 15

2:00 p.m. Early voting room 201 Locust Street

*Located in the basement of the
County Administration Building*

McMinnville, TN

Our guest speaker



Graham Perry

Historic Cemetery Preservation Specialist

Will present a talk on

THC's Historic Cemetery Preservation Program

The purpose of which is to provide information, education and other resources to help facilitate historic cemetery preservation throughout the state of Tennessee

Biographies of our very active Staff

Cheryl Watson Mingle

With more than 34 years of experience in the non-profit community, Cheryl Watson-Mingle currently serves as the President of the Warren County Genealogical & Historical Association (WCGHA), Genealogist at the Magness Library and Community House, Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) Registrar and on the Warren County Public Records Commission.



Cheryl is the daughter of Morris and Angele Stoner Watson, married to Thomas Mingle having a blended family. She has two children and he has three children. They have eleven grandchildren and two great grandchildren.

She attended several of the elementary schools in Warren County such as Northside, William Biles, West Elementary, Southside to name a few and attended Warren County Jr. High and Senior High. Being a member of the WCGHA for twenty plus years she has proven several pioneer families of Warren county to include the following families Snow, Walker, Bond, Levan, Nunley, Coppinger, Bond, Myers, and Wright.

Retired in 2015 as the executive director of the McMinnville Warren County Senior Center, Inc. A Warren County native, she was named UCSSA Social Service Person of the year in 1998 and was listed as an Honored Professional in the Who's Who in executives and professionals in 2001.

Cheryl's professional experience includes nonprofit financial management, program development and resource development. During her 27 years of employment with the Senior Center, she served on various boards in the Upper Cumberland including the Family Investment Resources System (FIRST) at the Department of Human Services, United Way of Warren County-Past Vice-Chair, Upper Cumberland Social Services Association, Warren County Emergency Food & Shelter and the South Central Tennessee Adult Abuse Coalition. Cheryl served as the NISC Delegate for the State of Tennessee, Past Chairperson of Tennessee Nutrition Consumer Education Program (TNCEP-Warren County), served as Past Chairperson and Vice-Chair of the Warren County Health Council. She was elected president of the Tennessee Senior Center Director's Association in 2005 until 2012 and served

on Governor's Bill Haslam Summit on Aging in 2011.

Prior to her work at the Center, she was employed as a Homemaker Aide for eleven years with Upper Cumberland Human Resource Agency (UCHRA) and collaborated with the Department of Human Services on Adult and Child Protective Services cases.

Serving as the President of the WCGHA, her current duties and involvement include Policies and Procedures, research for the newsletter and Bulletin, on the Bulletin committee & Chair of Civil War committee. She leads the Association in establishing, developing and reaching its goals and objectives.

Her Life highlights is being a born-again Christian in 1967, having her children, and spoiling her GRANDchildren.

From Cheryl's training, she developed a sense of understanding changing environments and community threats. She is the co-founder of the Families in Crisis -New Beginnings Domestic Violence Shelter and served as President from 1991-1994. Particularly refreshing are her practical approaches that reflect her hands-on management experiences. She has always been able to work with the community to make things happen.

Marion Rhea Speaks

Vice President of the Association, has been a member since 2000 and has also served as Secretary.



Aside from those duties she is presently Program Director and Pioneer Family Chairperson.

She was born at the old Clinic in McMinnville and spent her early years 1949-1960 here in Warren County.

Her local ties are the Durham and Rhea families.

Marion attended William Biles elementary prior to relocation with her family in 1960 to Indiana where she attended Jr. High and graduated from Franklin Community High.

She was employed with the Franklin School System, Franklin Water Dept. and retired, after 22 years from Marsh Supermarkets.

Marion has been married to Doyle Speaks for 54 years and they are the parents of a son (deceased) a

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daughter and 2 grandchildren. Her current interests are genealogy research, painting, family reunions, and Karaoke.

She lists her many highlights as marriage; birth of children; being the wife of a military man serving in Vietnam; Living in Baltimore, MD; being told your child has cancer; being mother of the bride; becoming grandparents; my trip to Greece; first trip to New Orleans; moving back to my roots of Tennessee; joining WCGHA and making all the new friends; heart attack with 5 bypasses in 2012, hip and knee replacement and last, but not least, finding out that I have 12 siblings scattered everywhere.

Barbara Brandon Bates

Our newly elected Secretary has been a member of the Association for over 10 years. She was born at the Clinic in McMinnville, grew up in Atlanta, GA and she and her husband Robert, presently live in Murfreesboro, TN.



Her Warren County ties are with the Cardwell, back to 1824, Jaco back to Warren County Pioneer, Jeremiah Jaco, and Martin back to Rock Martin.

She is the recipient of a B.S. and M.Ed. from the University of Georgia. She is retired but previously was an elementary teacher, educational software consultant and in educational sales.

Her current interests are genealogy, Civil War, current affairs, needlework, gardening and her animals. She lists her life highlights as being a Christian, grandmother of 2 and a product of 2 loving parents.

J.B. Brown

Has been a member of WCGHA since 2019. He serves as Treasurer, Membership Chair and co-chair of the Cemeteries of Warren County and High Funeral Home Project and is involved with the Data Management Committee.



He was born and raised in McMinnville and other than the 12 years when he lived in Alabama, he has lived here all of his life.

The Browns have been in Warren County since about 1809, although he did not know this until a few years back when Ann worked on his genealogy. His mother's Webb family were also early settlers of

Warren County who migrated to DeKalb County. He graduated from Central High School, attended the University of Tennessee, UCLA and served in the U.S Air Force.

J.B. has previously worked for Brown's Meat Processing; AEDC –Chief Designer; Intergraph – Computer Aided Design and Graphics Translators; truck driver; co-owner – Alabama Ammo, Inc.; co-owner – Farmer Brown's Hydroponic Gardens; and is currently a substitute teacher primarily working with Special Ed children and math.

His current interests are fishing, has recently started delving back into bonsai, loves exploring math tricks and new computer technology. A few of his life highlights are his 8th Degree Black Belt in Kajukenbo, pilot license (although he hasn't flown for several years) and his trip to Israel in 2005.

Ann Brown

Past President of the Association and member since 2015. She is a native of Warren County and other than the 12 years she lived in Alabama, this has been her home.

She is the Bulletin Editor, maintains the Web and Facebook pages, is co-chair of the Cemeteries of Warren County and High Funeral Home Project; and is involved with the Policies and Procedures Committee and Data Management Committee.

Ann is married to J.B. Brown and has a big blended family. He has 3 children and she has 3 as well. They have a total of 9 grandchildren and 22 great grandchildren.

She attended Centertown High School, Motlow Community College, and Computer-Aided Design/Manufacturing – AEDC. She worked at Faulkner Springs Hospital with Dr. Dietrich, my Godfather, while I was in High School. Warren County is home of the Warren Reunion and many, many cousins.

My Dad's family moved to Warren County in the early 1900's and my Mom's family are from DeKalb and Coffee Counties.

Ann was previously employed with City Bank & Trust Company – Trust Department; AEDC – Computer Aided Design/Manufacturing; Intergraph – Computer Aided Design and Database Management; truck driver; co-owner – Alabama Ammo, Inc.; and co-owner – Farmer Brown's Hydroponic Gardens until retirement.

Her current interests are Genealogy and Gardening

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(only flowers these days). Reading, crocheting, zentangle, and the piano have all had to take a backseat to WCGHA activities. Her family events are her life highlights.

She and JB are always ready for a road trip and have had quite a few special trips in their time but probably the most memorable was their trip to Israel in 2005, which was a trip of a lifetime.

Debra Wilcher McBride

Circulation Manager has been a member of WCGHA for several years. She is responsible for the mailing of the Bulletin and is co-chair of the Cemetery Preservation Committee.



Debra is a native and resident of Warren County having lived here most of her life. She is the mother of two children, a son and a daughter, who have given her 4 grandchildren.

She is a graduate of Warren County High School, attended Motlow Community College, Middle Tennessee State University, and Tennessee Technological University. Her employment history includes Warren County Freight Lines, Carrier Air Conditioning, Home Health Care and is currently a partner with Wilcher Sawmill, Inc.

The highlights of her life are her children and grandchildren. Her current interests keep her busy with History, Genealogy, McMinnville Special Games and Taphophilia (excessive interest in graves and cemeteries).

Doyle Speaks

Newsletter Editor, has been a member of WCGHA since 2012. He is a native of Pulaski County, KY, attended a 1 room school for the first 4 years and graduated from high school then relocated to Indiana.



He met his wife of 54 years, Marion Rhea Speaks, on a blind date in Franklin, IN where they lived and raised their family.

He took several college courses during his 35 years of employment with the local daily newspaper and completed a Microsoft Office course with Motlow State Community College. He also worked

16 years in retail, serving in several capacities. He lists his life highlights as his wife, the birth of their son in 1967 and their daughter in 1969. The addition of two grandchildren were an added bonus.

Doyle served in the U.S. Army for 2 years, one of those being in Vietnam. He enjoys genealogy research, photography, gardening, travel, social media and makes an attempt at karaoke.

Christine Bouldin

Has been a member of the Association since its inception. She serves a chairperson of the Refreshments Committee.



She is a native of Warren County, TN and her family consists of the Hulett, Hammons, Wilson, Garner and Bouldin descendants. Her families lived here in Warren Co. with the exception of the Bouldin who lived in VanBuren Co.

Christine attended school for 12 years at Morrison, TN and also attended Fall Business College in Nashville.

She is retired and was employed for 3 years with Womack Bros. Wholesale Groceries and 18 years with AEDC. She enjoys being a member of WCGHA very much and "at my age of 88 I will do whatever I can for the Association."

She lists her life highlights as her marriage to James Earl Bouldin, his two children, our four grandchildren and five great-grandchildren with one due in Sept. Her current interests are genealogy, reading and walking.

Bonita Mangrum

Our Research Chairperson has been a member of the WCGHA since its beginning. She was born in Wayne County, Michigan but has lived in Warren County, Tennessee 98% of her life.



She was married for 39 years to the late John Russell Mangrum and they were blessed with two sons.

She is connected to several families from the county, including, Bratcher, Owen, Newby, Wilson, Hicks, Matthews, Paris and Odom.

Bonita attended Mountain View Elementary for 2 years, Centertown through high school, University of Tennessee in Knoxville and Middle Tennessee State University for 1 year.

Prior to retirement, she was employed with

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Methodist Publishing House in Nashville; Rockford Textile Mills; Kingsboro Silk Mills; Owen Bratcher Grocery Store; Hale & Hines Nursery and Willie Woods Factory at the Fairgrounds.

In her spare time, she can be found working on her own genealogy and researching local family history, something she has done for over 55 years.

Mary Oaks

Has been a member of the Association for the past 2 years and is co-chairperson of the Research and Office Committees. She is a native of Cook County, Bellwood, Illinois and her connection to Warren County is through her son Robert Oaks.



Mary attended schools in Illinois and Michigan. Her employment history is with Borg Warner Corp., Department Store Chain and Restaurants.

Aside from duties as Researcher and Office, she is involved with WCGHA as a member of the Board of Directors, Cemetery Committee and served on the Nominating Committee.

Her current interests are with genealogy, bird watching and flower gardening.

Evelyn Wade

Has been a member of WCGHA for approximately 20 years. She is co-chairperson of the Office Committee and is a member of the Cemetery Committee.



She is a native and resident of Warren County where she and her husband, now deceased, raised their two daughters.

Evelyn graduated from Centertown High School and previously worked at Formfit Rogers until her daughters were born.

She has been an avid genealogy researcher for many years and list the birth of her daughters as the highlight of her life.

Brad Walker

Has been a member of the Association for 4 years starting in 1993 and rejoined in 2019. He serves as chairman of the Publicity and History Committees and serves as a member of the Bulletin Committee.



He is a Warren County native and was born at the Clinic on Main Street. He lived in the Mt. Leo area until his mid-20's and the Belk Community in DeKalb County has been his home for the past 27 years.

Brad's family descends from the Walker, Wanamaker, Coppinger, Nunley, Fults, Moffitt and Dykes. He has ties to Warren County with his Walker, Hobbs, Nunley, Myers who were all in the county by 1812, most were taken into Grundy County when it formed in 1845. James Walker, Sr., Gasper Myers, Sr. were on the petition to form Warren County in 1806.

Brad attended Bernard, West Elementary, William Biles, Northside, Jr. High, Warren County High School, Warren County Vo-Tech, and the State of Tennessee Public Library Manager Institute.

He worked with his father for 10 years in the Logging industry and at the age of 16 he took a full-time job at McMinnville Flower Shop. After leaving Warren County Vo-Tech he took a job at Quality Mold Shop, then Yorozu-Calsonic, and finally Magness Library where he has worked for the last 28 years.

His current interests are Genealogy – “I am trying to finish my Walker Family Book (working on for the last 38 years) bringing the family from the 1770's to the present. I work on all my families and many other people whom I take an interest in. I ran the Genealogy Room in Magness Library for 18 years before becoming the Director, during that time I helped everyone who came in and learned about most of the families in and around Warren County, some just became like my own. I have continued working on many of these families, because they lived or traveled with other members of my families.”

Brad's other interest is Plants – where he has enjoyed working & hybridizing in the Gesneriad family of plants, also orchids, wildflowers, and separating and moving the many, many perennials around his property. He always gives to the plant sale by Master Gardeners in the spring. He is also a Senior Judge in the Gesneriad Society of America and in the Tennessee Gesneriad Society in Nashville. He gives talks on different types of plants to various groups that are interested.

Come Visit Us

Our hours are Monday & Friday

9 a.m.-3 p.m.
931-474-4227

WCGHA Presents Program at the McMinnville-Warren County Senior Center



J. B. and Ann Brown are pictured presenting a program on “Who We Are and What We Do” to some of the members of the McMinnville-Warren County Senior Center recently. If your organization would like a presentation give us a call at 931-474-4227.

Turn Your Radio On

The photo on the left shows Marion Rhea Speaks appearing Tuesday, April 13 as a guest on “Town Talk” with hosts Jason Hillis and Duke Rice. The photo on the right is J.B. Brown and Ann Brown who joined Jeff Barnes (inset) on the show Tuesday, May 11. A WCGHA representative will appear monthly on radio WBMC 960 AM-FM on Tuesday morning, prior to the 3rd Saturday of each month, at 7:45 a.m. to give a talk on the upcoming meeting.



Out of Town Folks Visit Our WCGHA Office



Pictured (L-R): Chris Avery, J.B. (scanning), Maria and Ridley Politiski.

Mary Oaks and Ann Brown welcomed out of town visitors to the Association office, Monday, May 10th. Visiting from Memphis, TN was Chris Avery researching Lorenzo Dow Mercer and family. Visiting from Frisco, TX were Ridley and Maria Politiski researching Silas Clark and Keziah Stubblefield Clark from the Viola area. We certainly enjoyed visiting with them and they would love to connect with other families researching these families. We are also happy that they decided to join our Association.

Ann Brown

Thank You Darrel Gilbert

This beautiful rock was installed at Johnson's Cemetery on May 1st by Darrel Gilbert. The cemetery is located just off Hwy 30. Photo submitted by WCGHA member Donna Sullivan.



Welcome New Members

Becht, Trudy Custon trudicoston@gmail.com

Byars, Martha mlbyars@blomand.net

Holt, Lucas lucasholt99@icloud.com

Corona, Tammy tfbouldin@gmail.com

Politiski, Ridley rpolitiskifamily@gmail.com

Adcock, Sandra sandrabouldin@gmail.com

Avery, Christopher postitnotejunkie@gmail.com

A Lifetime in Harmony

This month I chose to present a story on the Harmony Echoes Quartet from McMinnville who shared their musical talents with so many of us in and around the region. The story is taken from conversations with several of the members of the quartet and a story written by Ken Stewart along with information excerpted from stories from the Southern Standard newspaper located in McMinnville.

-- Doyle Speaks, Newsletter Editor

Members of the Harmony Echoes check out one of several scrap books put together by the group. Seated, l-r: Kelly Marlowe, Joyce Black West, and Ken West. Standing, are James "Dickie" Hillis and Ken Stewart.



To be blessed with talent is a gift some of us aren't willing to share with others. To have talent and gladly share it with others is certainly a gift from God and we can be thankful for those who do it.

That gift, shared so freely, blessed thousands over a 47-year period. I'm referring to the Harmony Echoes Quartet.

We claim this Southern Gospel Singing group because they formed the group right here in McMinnville, TN. Discussion began following an Oak Ridge Boys concert at Bobby Ray elementary school in 1972.

The group consisting of Kelly Marlowe, Ken Stewart, James Hillis along with Ken and Joyce Black



This photo taken at one of the many concerts presented by the group.

West began practicing a couple times a week and did their first performance at a church service at Forest Park Baptist Church in Newtown, located on the outskirts of McMinnville.

Having the gift of voice and two of the group with piano and guitar playing abilities, made it much easier to practice and build a portfolio. With few exceptions, they entertained most weekends performing at local churches, homecomings, revivals, always at no charges to the public. They ventured out usually within a 100-150 mile radius to Alabama, Kentucky and many different events in the area.

You could usually count on seeing them at the Warren County Fair, Ben Lomand and Caney Fork Co-op meetings and they often performed at the Wayside, Fairview and Midway Community Centers and was well known in the Sparta community. They sang at churches for all denominations. When they performed at the National Association of Telephone Co-ops in Nashville in 1998 they were approached to make their first recording. The album "Sing the Gospel" was produced in Nashville.

Kelly Marlowe lived in several places in Northern Alabama as a child and ended up in McMinnville where he graduated from Central High. He loved

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singing at an early age and joined several singing groups while in high school.

Kelly was married to Gwen Frisby Marlowe who passed away in 2011. They were the parents of 3 children who gave them 6 grandchildren and 2 greats. Along with the loss of his wife, his son Scott passed away in 2011.

Kelly was owner and operator of Kelly's Inc. Clothing Store in McMinnville until 1987. After that he sold life insurance for Home Beneficial for 13 years and then chose to become semi-retired. He was then employed for 20 years with WBMC Radio in McMinnville and was co-host to "Town Talk" when he retired in 2020.

His contribution to the group was his baritone voice and he often sang lead. He stills gives to his community as choir director at Liberty Presbyterian Church.

Ken Stewart sang tenor and often sang lead for the group. He was also the engineer and set-up guy. This was a great asset to the group. We all know that a performance without a proper sound system can be difficult to keep a crowd's attention.

He was born in Harlan County, Kentucky and moved to Kingsport, Tennessee at the age of nine and eventually lived in Johnson City, Oak Ridge and Knoxville. He graduated from Norris High School where he sang with a group known as the Harmony Boys Quartet. He entered the U.S. Army shortly after graduation. After his military service he worked at several different jobs as a standard



This is a photo of three of the recordings by the group provided by Kelly Marlowe. Their first recording was the album "Sing the Gospel". The album "Let Us Go Back to God" followed and the cassette tape "27 Years Singing Up a Storm" was their last release.



Seated, l-r: Ken West, Ken Stewart and James Hillis, standing are Joyce West and Kelly Marlowe.

engineer and in 1965 he moved to Warren County and took a job as chief engineer for Oster Corporation. He worked there until 1975 when he left and started building houses. He ventured into real estate, went to school to become a real estate broker and became owner-broker of Discovery Realty and eventually sold the company and retired.

Ken was married to Sue Rather Stewart who passed in 1999, they were parents to a daughter and grandparents to 2 grandchildren. They were active members of the Gath Baptist Church for 15 years and he was appointed as Director of Music for the Shellsford Baptist Church where they attended for several years.

He and his wife Sylvia Womack Stewart enjoy their combined families and are active members of the Gath Baptist Church.

James "Dickie" Hillis, has lived in Warren County all his life and was known for his rich bass voice to the quartet. He also started singing in high school groups and it was in one of these groups where he and Kelly became friends. He has been married for 60 years to Carolyn Townsend Hillis. They are parents to 4 children and cherish their 7 grandkids and several greats. He retired after 40 years in the banking business, having worked 36 years for City Bank & Trust and then with Union Planters until retirement.

He serves on the Board of Directors for Caney

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Fork Electric and West Warren-Viola Utility Board. He and his wife are active members of the Rock Clift Church of Christ.

Last, but not least, are Ken and Joyce Black West.

Ken West was born and raised in Christian County, Kentucky and played basketball for Austin Peay in Clarksville, Tennessee. He is an accomplished piano and bass guitar player. He played piano for several years for the group and eventually left the piano playing to his wife and occasionally played the bass guitar. He was the piano player for First Baptist Church in McMinnville for over 20 years.

He met his wife, Joyce Black West, at a Speer Family concert in Hopkinsville, Kentucky. They lived in Hopkinsville for a while then moved to Clarksville, Tennessee where they lived for over 10 years.

He was employed by Trane Co. in Hopkinsville for several years while living in Clarksville. They moved to McMinnville in 1970 where he took a job as purchasing agent for DeZurick Southern. He worked there until retirement. Early in their marriage, he and Joyce managed a KFC restaurant in Clarksville for a year that was owned by the piano player for the Blackwood Brothers Quartet. That

was a challenge and one that made you appreciate the experience later in life. Before moving to McMinnville, they were members of the Erin Quartet.

Joyce Black West, a native of Jasper, Alabama, was raised with a rich history in gospel music. She studied piano at an early age and became an accomplished alto singer as well. She sang and played with a group as an opening act for a performance of the Speer Family Quartet where she impressed the Speers. They asked her to join the group and she did so after high school. She was hired as their piano player in 1955 and eventually became their alto singer. She went on the road with them for 3 years.

After moving with her husband to McMinnville she taught piano and voice to lots of students in the area. Along with being the alto singer for the Harmony Echoes, she eventually became the piano player as well.

In her 47 years with the group, she raised 3 children, is grandmother to 10 grandchildren and 1 great grandchild. She was chosen Mrs. Warren County Senior in 1997.

She is an active member of Irving College Baptist Church where she is the piano player and Ken is an active member of Gath Baptist Church.

"What a blessing this group has been."

Doyle Speaks

Bulletin Committee Holds First Meeting



Bulletin Editor Ann Brown recently announced that a group of volunteers will serve on the Bulletin Committee to help with the publication of future Bulletins. Serving on the committee are: l-r: Cheryl Mingle, Brad Walker, Mary Oaks, Ann Brown, Bonita Mangrum and Bettye Pack. If you have suggestions for articles for the Bulletin, contact any of the committee. Their first meeting was held on Wednesday, May 5th. A survey is planned to get input from our members on the content of future issues.

Another Issue Has Been Completed

We're happy to announce that The Spring and Summer issue of the Bulletin has been printed and will be in your hands soon. Debra McBride, WCGHA Circulation Manager (in top photo) announced that the Bulletins will be available to any WCGHA members at the May 15 meeting and mailed to you if not in



attendance. Ann Brown, Bulletin Editor, (bottom photo) is happy to have her second issue completed.

Fine job, as usual, thanks ladies.

The Cemeteries of Warren County Committee met on April 20th for the first time in about a year. We are continuing to review our list, locations, and status of cemeteries. We still have several cemeteries that need to be updated but we are making progress. Thanks to our Committee members: Carolyn Lance, Mary Oaks, Evelyn Wade, Bettye Pack, and Bonita Mangrum.

J B and Ann Brown, Co-Chairs

**WCGHA's Old Warren County, TN Family History/Photos
MONTHLY INSIGHTS
April, 2021**

4,856 Group Members (+6 this month)

Gender: 68% Women – 32% Men

11
Posts

198
Comments

379
Reactions

Top Post

Top Contributors

Lucas Holt
Ann Brown
Brandi Byars
Brenda Mitchell
Tommy Fairbanks

Lucas Holt

My great grandpa Leon Barnes working at his saw mill. Around 1960 [WCGHA's Old Warren County, TN Family History/Photos : My great grandpa Leon Barnes working at his saw mill | Facebook](#)

Comments: 10
Likes: 167
Shares: 1
Post Reach: 1,700

Don't forget to follow our Facebook page and post your Warren County ancestors and historical photos at Warren County Genealogical & Historical Association and stay up to date on Association upcoming events, and posts and links relating to genealogy and history

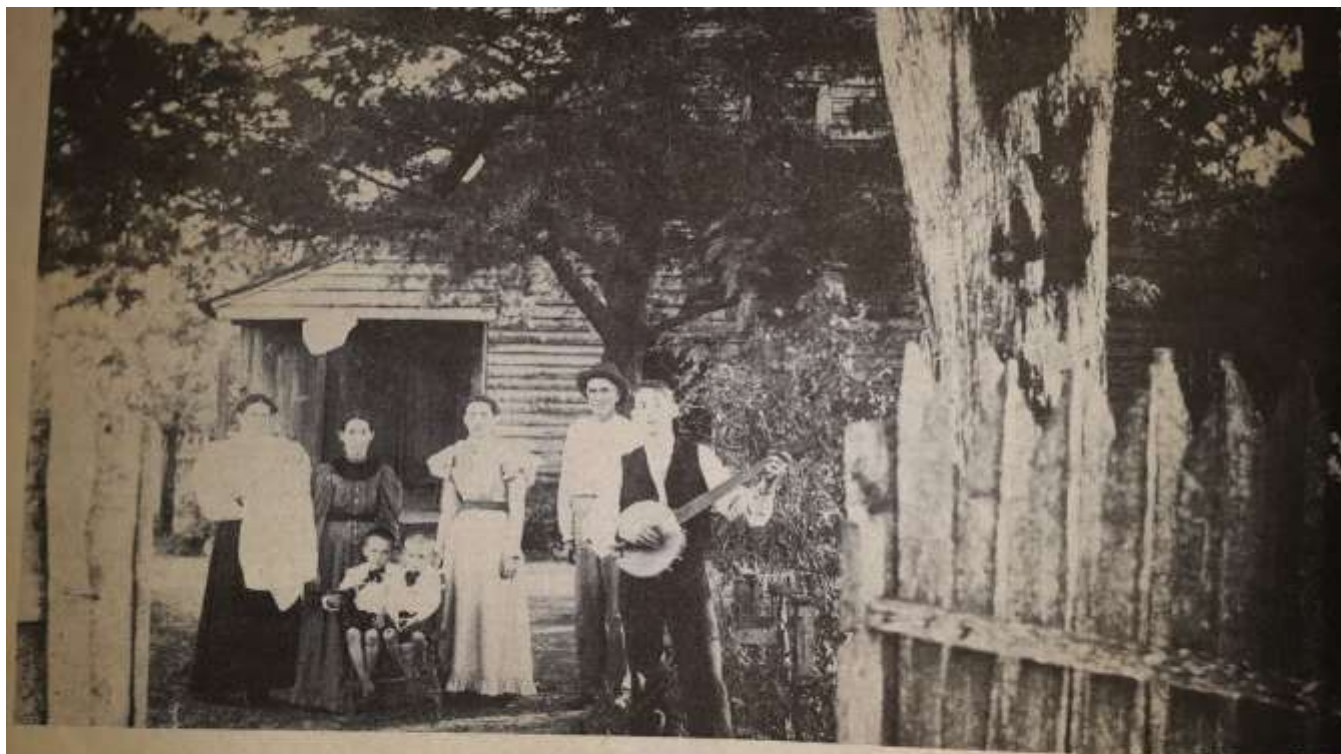
From the Facebook files of



WCGHA's Old Warren County, TN Family History/Photos

This is an on-going series of photos from *WCGHA's Old Warren County, TN Family History/Photos*. The Public Group site was organized several years ago and is co-administered by Cheryl Watson Mingle, President of the Warren County Genealogical & Historical Association along with Ann Brown, Past President.

You're invited to join our Facebook group, comment and submit photos and history.



An Old Confederate

Capt. John B. Blair, CSA, was an "Old Confederate Soldier" when he posed with members of his family on the lawn of their home for this picture, thought to have

been taken around 1901. His second wife, Cornelia, is second from left. The young lady standing at center

Bovlah Willie Blair, mother of Mrs. Gertrude Turm Dickson, who permitted publication of the picture.

Captain John B Blair Family

Posted by
Cheryl Watson-Mingle
October 21, 2020