

You Are Cordially Invited

To A

Birthday Reception

In Honor Of

MRS. GRACE RALEY EDWARDS

on

Saturday, August 16, 1986

3:00 P.M. - 5:00 P.M.

(No Gifts, Please)

Annex of

Wesley United Methodist Church

1500 8th Avenue

Meridian, MS

Given By Her Children:

Don Edwards

Shirley Edwards Palmes

Peggy Edwards

Jimmy Edwards



Abraham Raley  
1765 -

Rev. James Raley  
1804 - 1879

Andrew Jefferson Raley  
1832 - 1913

James Harvey Raley  
1859 - 1922

Bernie Andrew Raley  
1879 - 1953

John Shirley  
1767 - 1837

Richard D. Shirley  
1797 -

John Pinkney Shirley  
1827 - 1894

William Washington Shirley  
1854 - 1909

Onie Lee Shirley  
1885 - 1943

GRACE RALEY EDWARDS



Name of Compiler: Joy m Montgomery  
 Address: Box 444, 600 Main St. Richards, TX 77873  
 City, State

b. Date of Birth  
 p.b. Place of Birth  
 m. Date of Marriage  
 d. Date of Death  
 p.d. Place of Death

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| 16 | Allen Ham<br>b. 1804, S.C.<br>m. 12-21-1823<br>d. after 1880<br>Father of No. 8.<br>Cont. on chart No. 8.  | 8  | William Henry Ham<br>b. 5-24-1818<br>m. 12-18-1845<br>d. 1904<br>p.b. Henry Co. Ala.<br>p.d. Fla. or Ala.<br>Father of No. 9.                                  | 17  | Camilla "Milly" Webb<br>b. 1808, Jones Co. Ga.<br>m. 1880s Henry Co. Ala.<br>d. 1880s Henry Co. Ala.<br>Mother of No. 8.<br>Cont. on chart No. 8. |
| 17 | Benjamin Kirkland<br>b. 3-27-1800, S.C.<br>m. 12-19-1826, Henry Co. Ala.<br>d. 8-16-1878<br>Father of No. 9.<br>Cont. on chart No. 9.                              | 18 | Edgar Brown Ham<br>b. 3-22-1850<br>m. 12-21-1913<br>d. 8-11-1886<br>p.b. Evergreen, Ala<br>p.d. Sandacinto Co. Ga.<br>Father of No. 2.                         | 19  | Sarah Kirkland<br>b. 1-4-1804, S.C.<br>m. 6-13-1892, Henry Co. Ala.<br>d. 6-13-1892, Henry Co. Ala.<br>Mother of No. 9.<br>Cont. on chart No. 9.  |
| 20 | Daniel Brown<br>b. 1790-Virginia<br>m. 1820, S.C.<br>d. 1870s Heard Co. Ga.<br>Father of No. 10.<br>Cont. on chart No. 10.   | 21 | Sarah Emma Brown<br>b. 9-12-1860<br>m. 3-5-1968, Huntsville<br>d. 12-21-1913<br>p.b. Berrein Co. Ga.<br>p.d. Coldspring, TX<br>Mother of No. 2.                | 22  | Sarah Matilda Jones<br>b. 1800, S.C.<br>m. 1873, Heard Co. Ga.<br>d. 1873, Heard Co. Ga.<br>Father of No. 10.<br>Cont. on chart No. 10.           |
| 23 | Mary "Molly" Boswell<br>b. 11-5-1850, Carrioco, Ga.<br>m. 1-18-1825, Putman Co. Ga.<br>d. 1-18-1825, Putman Co. Ga.<br>Father of No. 11.<br>Cont. on chart No. 11. | 24 | John Major Williams<br>b. 1794-Virginia<br>m. 10-15-1818, JonesCoGa<br>d. 1891, Meridian, Miss<br>Father of No. 13.<br>Cont. on chart No. 13.                  | 25  | Jane Nelson<br>b. 1775, Eng.<br>m. 11-13-1813, Ala.<br>d. 1835, Ala.<br>Mother of No. 12.<br>Cont. on chart No. 12.                               |
| 26 | John Pinkney Shirley<br>b. 5-19-1827<br>m. 1847 Lauderdale Co.<br>d. 7-11-1894<br>Father of No. 7.<br>Cont. on chart No. 7.  | 27 | John Westley Hayman<br>b. 1-9-1851<br>m. 10-1-1841, SumterCoAl<br>d. 8-27-1905<br>p.b. Lauderdale Co. Miss<br>p.d. Hayman Cemetery, SJCOTX<br>Father of No. 3. | 28  | John Shirley<br>b. 1800, SC<br>m. 1825, Ala<br>d. 1895, Miss<br>p.d. Hayman Cemetery<br>Father of No. 14.<br>Cont. on chart No. 14.               |
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**Succession Chart**

Person No. 1 on this chart is the same person as No. on chart No. .



I, (Ira Ellis) am writing a sketch for the Lauderdale historical project of the Ellis Family that moved from Edgecomb County, North Carolina in 1840. The nearest town at that time was Harboro, North Carolina. The head of this family was Wyley Ellis, whose father's name was William Ellis. William and Dotry Ellis, Two brothers left Ireland when they were young men, and went to England. Soon after reaching England they started working for a man named Emerson. Mr. Emerson took a great interest in the boys and interested them in going to the North American Colonies with him.

They landed at Boston, Mass., lived there three years, but they did not like the section of the country; After living there three years moved to North Carolina settled on a rich section of farming land. William Ellis spent a great portion of his fortune on the Revolutionary War.

William Ellis was the father of seven boys. The younger boy, Wyley Ellis settled four and one-half miles southeast of Lauderdale Springs on one-hundred and forty acres of land. This piece of land remained in the descendants hands of Wyley Ellis for over 80 (eighty) years. Wyley made two trips from Mississippi to North Carolina during the Civil War in an Ox wagon.

Wyley Ellis was borned in 1801, was married twice. His first wife was named Polly Woodard and they had 6 (six) children. Elizabeth was married in North Carolina to Mr. Willis. Another Miller daughter was left in North Carolina. There were three boys; Coffield, Henderson,

and James Ellis. Coffield fought in the Civil War, Henderson was shot in Virginia.

Late one evening the Confederate Army was marching down a lane.

hid in the corn shocks in a field not far from the fence, Union soldiers started firing on them. The Confederates fell down in the fence corners and started firing through the fence cracks. Henderson

Ellis shot down seven Union men before a Union man killed him. Alf

Williams; a Confederate shot and killed the Union man that shot Henderson. James Ellis died in Fort Delaware a Prisoner.

Wiley's second wife was Nellie Cobb; They had five children, one boy and four girls, two of the girls died when they were small. F.G.

(Gray) Ellis the only son, went through four years of Civil War nursing the wounded and sick soldiers. After the war he reared five children

of his own and six orphan children. He died in 1890 leaving all his children well off financially. And was one of the best farmers in

this section of the country. The prettiest house seat and the finest oak grove I ever saw. The grove was a square of some three or four

acres. The Indians had reserved this spot to come to from far and near to make baskets. This farm at the time of his death contained 700 acres.

Including the original 140 acres. It was known in Slavery time as the Peyton Plantation. Gray Ellis has one living son in Texas.

C. D. (Coffield) Ellis was a Quarter Master at one time at

Enterprise, Mississippi during the Civil War. All of his children

became well to do financially. Two of them were really financiers in

their active years of money making. William Ellis became a money lender, Rufus Ellis a country school teacher, Agriculturist and Community

builder. They seemed to inherit their ability from their Ancestors.

Rick Ellis is now living in the state of Oklahoma. He made a

fortune out there after being 50 (fifty) years old. He reared 10

children, all living in the state of Oklahoma.

At this time A. F. (Frank) Ellis was a man who possessed a rare

sense of judgment, was far above the average man and he could do first

class work and more of it with less labor than any man I ever saw or

knew. He died in Lauderdale, Mississippi at the age of 76 in 1936.

Ellis Ellis is now living in Lauderdale, Mississippi, Route One.

Ell Ellis died in Meridian, Mississippi in 1936.

Ed Ellis died in Texas in 1912. He has one son and three daughters.

(This was gotten up by Ira Ellis)

(This below was added by Murray Ellis)

Some of Dotry Ellis' descendants moved from North Carolina to

Leake County, Mississippi. Mr. Gray Ellis - some descendants are now

living in Leake County Mississippi. Miss Cynthia Ellis and three of

her nephews moved to Hinds County Mississippi and settled on or near

Stinge Creek. She was 84 years old and died in 1904. Her Nephews were

Wiley Barnes, Coffield and Sam Ellis. Cynthia Ellis owned one or two

Plantations in Smith County Mississippi. She would come out to see us

when I (Murray) Ellis was a boy and stayed a year or more at a time

visiting the Ellis Generation and other Friends. She gave me (Murray)

a dime when I was four years old and I still have the dime.

The very ancient Grecian region of Hellen or Ellen, more remotely bore the name Ellis which name the Ellis Island South of Greece still bears.

Ellis or Hellen Greece was colonized before 1600 B.C. by Israelites from Egypt before Moses in 1554 B.C. led Israel therefrom they fled from the Egyptian enslavements and persecutions to Greece; or then the Ellis name it came to bear. They carried with them the spirit of liberty and independence that had manifested itself in their ancestors Abraham, Isaac and Jacob; and, through what later came to be known as Greece, laid the foundation for their historic democracies.

Their words Ellis was derived from the Hebrew El & ish, or God man, in which they recognized that they were of the covenant people. El is the Hebrew for God. Ish is man, Ellis or Ellis, God man.

Very ancient Greeks migrated to the Brith ish (Hebrew) Isles 950 B.C. Ancient Greece and Britain were both of the Israel race. Before Moses led Israel from Egypt 1554 B.C., Israelites migrated from Egypt to the British Isles. Those Isles and Greece and all the East Mediterranean land had commercial sea going relations with each other.

Ish-rah-el---shortened to (man-ruahing-with God or Is-ra-el.) The ancient British,---Brith--ish shortened to British means Covenant--man. Like the Greeks the ancient British were Israelites whose ancestors were not of the Palistinian Israel kingdom. In 156 B.C. Rome subjugated Greece. Following which many Greeks migrated to their

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ELLIS

kinsmen in Britain and North Ireland, the name which was then Scotland. South Ireland was then Ire. Many scotts possessed no Britain and it was for 800 years New Scotland. In time all the Ire isle took the name of Ireland, New Scotland became Scotland, and Scotch-Irish does not mean a blood Scotch-Irish, but scotts in North Ireland, the first Scotland.

So from Egypt to Greece and thence to Britain the Israel Filis

stock went. So Filis indicates Scottish British Grecian Israelites.

The last king Zedekiah had two daughters-- grand Daughters of

Jeremiah, the prophet--The youngest Tamar was married about B.C. 570 to

Ochaird, chief king of Ireland. Awhile before that the older, Scota,

was married to the Mellesian Spanish king--The Mellesians were ancient

Israelites from Egypt--A descendant of Scota, Queen Scota of and in

Spain and her sons conquered South Ire. and she became Queen of North

Ire. about 450 B.C. And from her North Ire became Scotland for about

800 years, or till A.D. 453 when that royal house transferred its throne

into what is now Scotland.

Hebrew Angle means bull and Saac is our Isaac. Saxon is son of

Saac. The Angle or bull was the emblem of the tribe of Joseph. So

when in A.D. 449--500 the Anglo Saxons entered Britain it was the dis-

persed 10 tribes of Israel--not Jews-- but Israel coming in to the land

of their western Brethren.

Fully 75% of the Blood of our nation is of Israel, and in us and

the British chiefly God's prophecies of Israel--not Jewry--are being

fulfilled.

Norway, Denmark, Swede, Finland, Polant, Netherlands, Swiss and

the Checks are of the 10 tribed Israel. Israelites are in other nations



but those I named are preeminently Israel; and all but two of them are mainly of protestant Christianity, I did not start out to write all the above but in giving the Ellis origin I just got started and kept on.

It is a remarkable fact that our first President, Mr. Washington was a descendant of King David; and we are told by a very reliable genealogist that, of our-to date-32 presidents, 18 of them were of the house of David.

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