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Sketch of the Class of 1939 Caboose

Courtesy of President, James F. Barker
Welcome
to the Classmates, Honorary Members, Family and Friends of
The Great Class of '39
on this
80th Anniversary Reunion 2019
at
Clemson University

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Program of Events
EIGHTIETH YEAR REUNION
Friday, May 3, 2019
CLEMSON UNIVERSITY
The Great Class of 1939

Optional - Tour of Class of 1939 Caboose - 3:00 p.m - Ray Turner
South Carolina Botanical Garden at Clemson University

Memorial Service - South Carolina Botanical Garden - 4:00 p.m.

Cocktail Reception - Parrish Hall - 5:30 p.m
Holy Trinity Episcopal Church
193 Old Greenville Hwy, Clemson, SC 29631.
* Special Music - Linda Li-Bleuel

Dinner - Parrish Hall, Holy Trinity Episcopal Church - 7:00 p.m.
* Invocation - Hap Wheeler

Program - Presiding: Windsor Sherrill, President, Honorary Class of '39
* Election to Nominating Committee - Ken Sturkie - Cathy Sturkie
* Introduction of Special Guests - Chalmers Butler
* Class of '39 Induction - Windsor Sherrill
  2018 Faculty Award for Excellence recipient:
  Dr. Lisa C. Benson,
  Professor of Engineering & Science Education
* Passing of the Class of '39 Corkscrew - Clifton Egan
* Class of '39 Induction - Supporting Member:
  Dr. Patrick McMillan - presented by Ray Turner
* Special Program - Hap Wheeler - Patrick McMillan
* Toast to the Class of '39 - Ben Sill
* Special Thanks - Windsor Sherrill
* Entertainment - Joel Brawley and Brad Russell

Thus ends another great reunion for the Great Class of '39. Make plans now to come again in 2020 for our 81st anniversary of graduation!
Memorial Service
May 3, 2019, at 4:00 p.m.
The Clemson Heritage Gardens in the SC Botanical Garden

* Presentation of the Colors .... Jeremy Sarasua & Clay Mohr, Troop 235
* Pledge of Allegiance .................................................. Jeremy Sarasua
* Star Spangled Banner .... Fort Hill Presbyterian Church Chancel Choir
Welcome ................................................................. Windsor Sherrill
Roll of Remembrance ...... Hap Wheeler, Col. Sandy Edge & Chip Egan
Guardroom Bell Ringer ................................................. Joel Brawley
Meditation of Departure ................................................ Dana Anderson
Oh God, Our Help in Ages Past by Isaac Watts ...................... Choir
Recognition of Family Members ................................. Chalmers Butler
Prayer for the Departed ............................................. Larry Lafurgo
* Clemson University Alma Mater .................................. Choir
* Taps .................................................................. Clay Mohr, Troop 235

* Those who are able, please stand.

Clemson University Alma Mater
 Lyrics by A.C. Corcoran, '19 Music by Dr. Hugh McGarity, '66

Where the Blue Ridge yawns its greatness;
Where the mountains smile in grandeur
Where the Tigers play;
O'er the hill and dale;
Here the sons of dear Old Clemson
Here the Tiger's lair is nestling,
Reign supreme always.
Swept by storm and gale.

We will dream of great conquests,
We are brothers, strong in manhood,
For our past is grand;
For we work and strive;
And her sons have fought and conquered
And our Alma Mater reigneth
Every foreign land.
Forever in our lives.

Chorus
Dear Old Clemson, we will triumph,
Dear Old Clemson, we will triumph,
And with all our might;
And with all our might;
That the Tiger's roar may echo
That the Tiger's roar may echo
O'er the mountain height.
O'er the mountain height.

Photos by Anna Brawley
Roll of Remembrance

I'll want to know each step you take
that I may walk the same
for some day down that lonely road
you'll hear me call your name.

From a resting bench
Turkey Creek Cemetery, Lee County, SC

Wife of Classmate
Irene Cook Goldstein
(spouse - J. Clinton Cook Jr.)

Honorary Classmate
Larry L. Bauer

Classmates who gave their lives in the cause of freedom,
as displayed on a plaque on the Class of '39 Bell Tower.

James Harold Bracey  June 10, 1944
John Wallace Cathcart  May 3, 1945
Almo Dewitte Chapman Jr  July 25, 1945
Martin Crook Jr  September 7, 1944
Joseph Ralph Cunningham  December 7, 1945
William Henry Frazier Jr  November 13, 1950
John Louis Gaskins  December 9, 1944
Clifford James Gormley  June 16, 1943
Robert Adams Guy  February 17, 1944
John Calhoun Hubbard Jr  January 29, 1945
John Thomas Lyles Jr  May 20, 1945
Joel McMillan  March 25, 1946
Clemens Carter Miley  June 16, 1943
Lester Leneau Miller  September 22, 1944
Daniel Cary Morgan  May 23, 1944
Walter Scott Nelson Jr  July 11, 1943
Burrel Franklin Newman  June 11, 1943
Max Montague Nichols Jr  December 1, 1943
Joseph Bean Palmer  January 10, 1944
Daniel Townsend Pope  June 16, 1943
Henry Ayer Raysor II  January 12, 1944
John Edward Rowland  September 9, 1945
Francis Herbert Scarborough  January 27, 1945
Frank Howard Shirley Jr  November 15, 1942
Raymond Anderson Sloan  February 11, 1942
Denny Lewis Starr  June 25, 1944
James Tinsley Whitney  August 3, 1944
The Meditation of Departure

From Tennyson's "Crossing the Bar"

Sunset and evening star,
    And one clear call for me!
And may there be no moaning of the bar,
    When I put out to sea.

Twilight and evening bell,
    And after that the dark!
And may there be no sadness of farewell,
    When I embark.

A Prayer for the Departed

By William Penn  (1644 - 1718)

We give back to You, O God, those whom You gave to us. 
    You did not lose them when You gave them to us, 
and we do not lose them by returning them to You. 
    Your dear Son has taught us that life is eternal 
and love cannot die. So death is only a horizon, 
    and a horizon is only the limit of our sight.

Open our eyes to see more clearly, 
    and draw us closer to You that we may know 
that we are nearer to our loved ones, who are with You. 
    You have told us that You are preparing a place for us; 
prepare us also for that happy place, 
    that where You are, we may always be, 
O dear Lord of life and death.
Obituary

of

Wife of Classmate

whose death has become known to us

since our last reunion

in June, 2018
Irene Cook Goldstein
Died November 2, 2018

Irene Sewarz was born in Posen, Poland, on September 24, 1924, a daughter of Francisca Stypererek and Jacob Sewarz. Irene and James Clinton Cook, Jr., a 1939 graduate of Clemson College in mechanical engineering, met in Germany following World War II and were married in Frankfurt on February 28, 1946. By this time, Clinton had distinguished himself as an officer during the War (Bronze Star and Belgium Croix de Guerre au combat and was serving in the transport division of the office of military government in Germany. A son, J. C. Cook, III, was born in Berlin on March 21, 1948.

Irene and Clint moved to Clemson, SC, in 1948 where Clint accepted a position as an assistant professor in the Department of Mechanical Engineering at Clemson College. A daughter, Frances Alline Cook was born on June 27, 1949, in Clemson and their third child, Robert Wellborn Cook, was born in Ann Arbor, MI, on October 19, 1952, while Clint was working on his MS degree at the University of Michigan. The family returned to Clemson in 1953 and in 1954 Clint was named Head of Mechanical Engineering at Clemson; he earned his Ph.D. from Michigan in 1955.

Tragically, Clint Cook died at age 47 on Tuesday, September 28, 1965, following four years of illness. In 1977 Irene married Oliver Goldstein.

Irene devoted much of her life caring for her three children but she did find time for two principal hobbies: bridge and golf at which she was an expert with a fluid swing.

Irene Cook Goldstein died on Friday, November 2, 2018. She was predeceased by her husbands, James Clinton Cook, Jr., and Oliver J. Goldstein, her brother Chester Sewarz and her sister Socha. She is survived by her three children, James C. Cook, III (Nancy), Fran A. Museley (Murph), and Robert W. Cook; three grandchildren, Allyson Varn (Luke), Charlotte Cook, and Casey Williams (Keith); and six great grandchildren, Keegan Cook, Maggie, Trey, and Olivia Varn, and Ansley and Brayden Williams. She is also survived by her sister-in-law Gladys Sewarz.
Obituary

of

Honorary Classmate

whose death has become known to us

since our last reunion

in June, 2018
Larry Lee Bauer was born on July 27, 1939, in Pittsfield, Illinois, a son of George and Bernice Bauer. He earned the BS degree from the University of Illinois, the MS degree from Purdue, and the Ph.D. degree from North Carolina State University, all in agricultural economics. He was a member of the University of Tennessee faculty for nine years before coming to Clemson in 1976 where he served as Professor of Agricultural and Applied Economics for twenty-eight years until his retirement in 2004. Upon retirement he was named an emeritus professor.

While he was a Ph.D. student at North Carolina State University in Rayleigh, Larry met Betty Edmonson of Tarboro, NC, on a blind date on October 13, 1965, and they were married in June 1966. They had two sons, Tom and Bill.

When the doors to the Clemson United Methodist Church were open, Larry Bauer was there acting in his unofficial capacity as master greeter. He was a member of the Bell Choir and served his church in numerous leadership positions for more than forty years.

Larry Bauer was a popular teacher who readily established rapport with students inside and outside the classroom. He was a faculty advisor to Alpha Gamma Rho Fraternity and served a term as President of the Clemson Chapter of Gamma Sigma Delta, the honor society for students majoring in agriculture. He was elected to membership in Clemson's Tiger Brotherhood, and, together with Betty, chaperoned various Tiger Band events.
Indicative of their devotion to Clemson students, Larry and Betty Bauer made a gift to Clemson to create the Bauer Family Endowment, which funds a scholarship to support performing arts students. In addition they pledged annual gifts to enable the scholarship to become fully active concurrent with the initial endowment.

In 1998, Larry received the Class of 1939 Faculty Award for Excellence. This award, endowed by the Great Class of 1939, is presented annually to one distinguished member of the Clemson faculty whose outstanding contributions for a five-year period have been judged by her/his peers to represent the highest achievement of service to the student body, university, community, state, or nation. As recipient of this award, he was welcomed as an honorary member of the Clemson Class of 1939.

In 1992 he won the Clemson Alumni Master Teacher Award. Larry was a member of the Clemson Faculty Senate and served as its president during 1985-86, and he was commended by the Clemson Board of Trustees in its annual ceremony to recognize those faculty who have been honored by academic or professional organizations outside the university.

Notwithstanding his busy university agenda, Larry found time for memberships in other organizations: the Pittsfield, Ill., Lodge of the A.F. & A.M. (over fifty years), the Mayflower Society, and the John Howland Pilgrim Society.

Larry Bauer died at age seventy-nine on Saturday, February 2, 2019, and was buried at Clemson’s Cemetery Hill. He was predeceased by his parents, George and Bernice Bauer, and by his sister and her husband, Neitha and Charles Dickerson. He is survived by his wife, Betty Edmonson Bauer, and his two sons, George Thomas (Deborah) and William Harvey (Margaret); grandsons, William Alexander Bauer and Johnston Carter Bauer; and granddaughter, Katherine Michelle Bauer.
Obituary

of

Classmates

Who gave their lives in the cause of freedom

as displayed on a plaque

on the class of '39 Bell Tower
Harold Bracey was born on June 17, 1917 in Rives, VA, a son of Mr. Virginia C. and Mrs. Evelyn J. Bracey. By 1930 the family had moved to Columbia, SC. After completing the public schools in Columbia, Harold attended Clemson College, where he graduated in 1939 with a BS degree in Chemical Engineering. In college he was a member of the fancy drill platoons his Freshman, Junior and Senior years. He also was a member of Alpha Chi Sigma, honorary chemistry fraternity.

Following graduation, he was employed by DuPont in the manufacture of nylon, but on April 7, 1942 he entered into active duty with the army. Around the end of 1942 he married Leah Ann Crites of Clear Creek, OH, and Jimmy, Jr. was born in August 1943. In 1944 they also had a daughter, Nancy Ann. It was while he was stationed with the Ordinance Branch at Camp Santa Anita, CA that he developed an inflammation of the ileum that led to his death.

Captain J. Harold Bracey, popular young Columbian, died in Toney General Hospital in Palm Springs, CA of a severe ileitis. He was laid to rest in Maple Hill Cemetery in Stoutsville, Ohio, the home of his surviving widow, on June 17, 1944, his twenty-seventh birthday.

His survivors included his wife and family of Stoutsville, OH; his parents and a sister, Miss Virginia Bracey, all of Columbia, SC.

Leah Crites Bracey
Leah Ann Crites was born in Clear Creek, Ohio in 1920, a daughter of William H. and Elsie May B. Crites.
John Wallace Cathcart, II
★ Died May 3, 1945 ★

1935-1936
The son of Samuel C. and Tirzah K. Cathcart, John was born in Winnaboga on January 31, 1918. He graduated from Mt. Zion Institute and entered Clemson College in 1935. At Clemson he played freshman football, participated in the Fairfield County and Pre-Med clubs, and graduated with the Class of 1939 with a BS degree in General Science. In 1942 he received his M.D. degree from the University of South Carolina Medical College, where he was a member of the AKK medical fraternity. He interned at Columbia Hospital in 1942-1943.

On February 21, 1944, John married Margaret Caughman, then a supervisor at Columbia Hospital. Three weeks later, on March 10, he reported for Medical Corps training to Carlisle Barracks, PA. Further training was received at Fort Benjamin Harrison, IN, Camp Breckenridge, KY, and Camp Benle, CA. In August of 1944 he was shipped overseas as a 1st Lieutenant. He landed in New Guinea in September, and was temporarily assigned to a hospital dispensary. He was promoted to Captain in January, 1945. John first saw active service on Leyte, from whence he was sent to a combat area on Mindanao. A few weeks later on May 3, 1945, while serving as Battalion Aide Surgeon with a field unit of the 1st Battalion, 21st Infantry, 24th Division, Captain Cathcart was killed by a Japanese sniper during the fierce fighting near Mintai.

His body was returned to the states and private graveside services were held Wednesday, April 20, 1946 in the Berthel A.R.P. cemetery in Winnaboga. He was survived by his wife and daughter, his parents, three brothers and two sisters.

Margaret Caughman Cathcart
Died December 14, 2009

Margaret V. Caughman was born in 1913 in Saint Andrews, a daughter of William E. and Maggie C. Caughman. She attended the Richland County public schools and graduated from the University of South Carolina, where she received a BA degree. She then received a degree in nursing from Johns Hopkins School of Nursing and began her nursing career at Columbia Hospital. She became Supervisor of Nurses in the emergency room by the time John Cathcart began his medical career as an intern. They married on February 21, 1944, six months before John shipped overseas in WWII.

In January, 1945 John's only child, Virginia, whom he never saw, was born in Columbia. After John's death, Margaret and Virginia moved to Winnaboga, where she continued her nursing career until 1955. She maintained her membership in the Bethal Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church in Winnaboga while later living in Birmingham, Dus West and Charleston. In 1905, she moved into a retirement center, Bishop Gadsden, at The Cloister, 3 Bishop Gadsden Way, Charleston.

Margaret Cathcart died in her sleep on Monday, December 14, 2009. A memorial service was held on Saturday at St. Luke's Chapel on the USC campus. A graveside service was later held in Bethal ARP Church Cemetery in Winnaboga. Survivors included her daughter Virginia Reves and husband Jerry of Charleston; three granddaughters, Virginia R. Hall of Durham, NC, Christina F. Reves, and Elizabeth Reves Sidebottom, both of Charleston; and great-granddaughters.
Almo Dewitte Chapman, Jr.
★ Died July 23, 1945 ★

1935-1936

Almo Chapman was born in Fair Play, SC and raised in Liberty, SC, a son of Almo D. and Ola Chapman. He attended Clemson College with the Class of 1939, graduating with a BS degree in Vocational Agricultural Education. At Clemson he was active in the Future Farmers of America and the Dairy Club.

Following his graduation, Almo was called into active duty with the army. After training in the states, he was sent overseas with the 27th Infantry Regiment, 25th Infantry Division. 1st Lieutenant Chapman died in the battle of the Philippines on July 23, 1945, and is buried at Plot G, Row 8, Grave 4 in the Manila American Cemetery in Manila.

His family included his parents; two brothers, Odell and Willis Chapman; and one sister, Martha Chapman. He was never married.
Martin was born in Spartanburg, SC, the son of Dr. Martin and Mrs. Susan M. Crook. He had his early schooling in the Spartanburg schools, after which he entered Clemson College in 1935. He was active in the military while at Clemson, being a Company Commander his senior year, and a member of the Fancy Drill Platoons all four years. He graduated in 1939 with a BS degree in General Science.

During World War II he served with the Army in the Philippines, being assigned to the 41st Philippine Division of the 42nd Infantry Regiment. On February 24th, 1945, Martin’s parents received a telegram from the Adjutant General, saying in part:

"The war department has now received the official list of prisoners of war on the Japanese freighter, which you were previously informed was sunk on September 7, 1944. It is with deep regret that I must now inform you that your son is among those listed as lost when the sinking occurred....The information available to the war department is that the vessel sailed from Davao, Mindanao, August 20, 1944 with 750 prisoners of war aboard. The vessel was sunk by torpedoes on September 7, 1944 off the western shores of Mindanao....known circumstances lead to the regrettable conclusion that all of the unaccounted for prisoners lost their lives at the time of the sinking."

First Lieutenant Martin Crook’s name appears on the Tablets of the Missing at the Manila American Cemetery. He earned both a Bronze Star and a Purple Heart.

Martin was survived by his parents and a sister, Susan Crook. He was not married.
Joseph Ralph Cunningham
★ Died August 14, 1942 ★

1935-1936

Mr. Cunningham was born in November, 1916 in Travelers Rest, SC, a son of Sloan B. and Mable B. Cunningham. His early schooling was in Travelers Rest, and he entered Clemson in 1935, although he was only there for two years.

Joseph joined the armed forces before the beginning of the war, and was trained as a bombardier by the Air Force. On December 6th, 1941, he left the states with other members of a bomber crew, and landed in Hawaii in time to experience the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor. The crew was then shipped to Australia, and became a part of the 435th Bomber Squadron flying B-17s (Flying Fortresses) when it was organized on March 26, 1942 as essentially a reconnaissance squadron.

On August 14th, 1942, one 435th plane, the “Chief Seattle”, took off for a reconnaissance mission over Gasmata and Rabaul. It didn’t return. Not a word was broadcast by radio. No sign of wreckage has ever been located. The plane flew alone as do the reconnaissance planes and so there was no one to come back and tell the story. Most of the crew had participated in the MacArthur evacuation. The bombardier on that fatal flight was Lieutenant Joe Cunningham of Travelers Rest, SC. He is described by a wartime friend as follows: “Long before daylight one August morning, I watched "Chief Seattle" take to the air, from a landing strip somewhere in the interior of New Guinea....(The) bombardier was in Hawaii when we received orders to go south. We were the first and we needed the best Bombardiers. They gave us Lieutenant Joe Cunningham. A well built, quiet boy from Travelers Rest, South Carolina. The Hawaiian Department had not made a mistake. He was one of our best and had done his share in the Coral Sea Battle, New Guinea and New Britain areas. Dropping bombs on ships, airdromes and then shooting his way back home by manning a gun down in the nose.”

On September 16, 1945 the War Department listed him as missing in action, and he is now carried on the World War II Honor Roll as a First Lieutenant and inexplicably as having died on December 7, 1945. For his service, he was awarded the Air Medal and the Purple Heart.

Joseph was survived by his parents; brothers Charles L. Cunningham and Norwood Cunningham; and two sisters, Evelyn and Mary Ellen Cunningham. He never married.
William Henry Frazier, Jr.

★ Died November 13, 1950 ★

1935-1936

Bill Frazier was born in August 1917 in Dothan, AL, where he attended the local schools. In 1935 he entered Clemson College with the Class of 1939. At Clemson he played in the band, was a member of Mu Beta Psi, the honorary music fraternity, and in his senior year was Associate Business Manager of The Tiger. He graduated in 1939 with a BS degree in Electrical Engineering. Returning to Dothan, he worked for Alabama Power Company until called into active duty with the army in 1941.

After the war, Bill remained in the Army and was posted to Gunter Field, AL. During this period he married Jane Isbell in November, 1947. In June, 1949 Major Frazier completed the Advanced Infantry Officers Training Course at Fort Benning, and was transferred to Fort Lewis, WA as Executive Officer of 3rd Battalion, 9th Infantry Regiment, 2nd Infantry Division.

The Division shipped out to Korea in July, 1950. On September 28, 1950 he was wounded in the shoulder by an enemy missile at Yong-san, North Korea. After R & R in Japan, he rejoined his unit and returned to combat on October 17, 1950. Major Frazier was killed in action while fighting the enemy near Pugwan, North Korea on November 13, 1950. For his service in North Korea, he earned the Purple Heart with Oak Leaf Cluster, the Combat Infantryman’s Badge, the Korean, United Nations, and National Defense Service Medals, the Korean Presidential Unit Citation and the Republic of Korea Service Medal. After temporary burial in Pyongyang, North Korea, he was reinterred in August, 1955 in Arlington National Cemetery in Arlington, VA.

Jane Isbell Frazier Conley

Jane Isbell was born in Gunterville, AL on September 14, 1917, a daughter of Leila F. and Col. D Isbell. Her mother died when Jane was two, and she was reared by her grandparents. When she was old enough to go to school, she returned to Gunterville to live with her father. As a thirteen year old, she was awarded the Carnegie Hero Medal for saving the life of a friend. She completed high school in Gunterville and entered the University of Alabama in 1935, graduating in 1939 with a BA degree in English. In college, she was active in Student Government, president of Zeta Tau Alpha Sorority, and president of her senior class.

After graduation she taught English in a high school for a year and then took a job in Washington, DC with Congressman Martin Dies. By 1946 she had returned to Alabama and a job as Receptionist for Gov. Folsom. There she renewed a casual friendship and, in November 1947, married Bill Frazier. She accompanied Bill when he was transferred to Fort Lewis, WA. Their only child, William, III, was born in September, 1949. When Bill shipped out to Korea in July of 1950, she and son Hank returned to Gunterville, AL to live with her sister. Only four months later, she received word that Bill Frazier had been killed in action.

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John Louis Gaskins

★ Died December 9, 1944 ★

1935-1936

Curly (as we knew him in school) was born in the Lake Swamp community near Lamar in 1919, a son of L. Beatty and Cora C. Gaskins. He received his early schooling in Timmonsville and entered Clemson in 1935. In college he was a member of the Dairy Club, was a Freshman Forum Advisor his Junior year, and was a member of the BSU Council, serving as its Vice-President his senior year. He graduated with the Class of 1939 with a BS degree in Vocational Agricultural Education. After graduation he taught in the Latta schools for a while. On May 14, 1942 he married Margaret Galloway of Timmonsville, in a military wedding at Camp Forrest at Tullahoma, TN.

On February 18, 1942, he entered into active duty in World War II. In December, 1942 he was assigned to Company F of the 393rd Infantry Regiment of the 99th Infantry Division, which was activated in November at Camp Dorn. After training at Camp Dorn, MS, and completing the Officer's Advanced Course at Fort Benning, now Captain Gaskins departed with the division for overseas duty in France in April of 1944. On December 29, his family was informed by the War Department that Captain Gaskins, by then Executive Officer of the Second Battalion, 359th Infantry Division, had been killed in action in Germany on December 9. He was killed in the Saarlautern offensive, a week before the German Ardennes attack called the Battle of the Bulge. For gallantry in action against the enemy, he was awarded both the Silver and Bronze Stars and the Purple Heart. He also was awarded the European African Middle Eastern Campaign Medal with one bronze battle star.

Captain Gaskins is buried in the Lorraine American Cemetery in France. Survivors at the time of his death included his widow and his parents; one brother, Pvt. James C. Gaskins, who was then serving with the Fifith Army in Italy. John and Margaret had no children.

Margaret Galloway Gaskins

Margaret Galloway was born in Timmonsville on August 25, 1914, a daughter of James P. and Maggie A. Galloway. Her early schooling was in Timmonsville, and she was a 1935 graduate of Winthrop College. Upon graduation, she accepted a teaching position in the public schools in Latta. Shemer John Gaskins when he began teaching there in 1919. She and John were married on May 14, 1942 in Tullahoma, TN while he was in training at Camp Forrest there. Margaret continued teaching in Latta while John was in the service and after he was killed in Germany.

Thereafter, she lived for awhile with her sister, Ellie Mae Rogers, in Hartsville, and later moved to Beaufort to live with her niece, Peggy Rogers Neighbors, until her death. Died December 12, 1997
Clifford James Gormley

★Died June 16, 1943★

Clifford Gormley was born in Pawtucket, RI, on April 15, 1916, a son of John H. and Mary I. Gormley. He entered Clemson College in 1935 and graduated with the class of 1939 with a BS degree in Textile Chemistry and a 2nd Lieutenant commission in the Army Reserve. In school, he was a member of Phi Psi, the national honorary Textile fraternity.

After returning to Rhode Island, he enlisted as an Aviation Cadet in the Army Air Force. He was trained to be a pilot and received his wings at Maxwell Field, Montgomery, Al. in June, 1940. He was released after a year, but recalled to active duty on July 12, 1941 and assigned to the Air Corps Advanced Flying School. Following service in the states, he was transferred back to the Smyrna Air Force Base, where he became a pilot instructor.

On the morning of Wednesday, June 16, Captain Gormley was killed at the start of a routine training flight when his plane, a B-24 Liberator, crashed on take-off from Smyrna Field, killing all five occupants. His body was returned to Cranston, where he was buried on June 23 with full military honors in the family plot in the Cranston Cemetery. He earned the American Defense Service Medal and the World War II Victory Medal.

He was survived by his wife, Maxine Bailey Gormley, formerly of Fitchburg, MA; and a brother, John H. Gormley, Jr. of Cranston, RI.

Maxine Bailey Gormley

Maxine Bailey was born in Fitchburg, MA in 1918, a daughter of Monroe J. and Bertha Bailey.
Robert Adams Guy
★ Died February 17, 1944 ★

Robert was born in 1918 in Chester, a son of Rube C. and Annie W. Guy, and attended the schools there. He entered Clemson with the Class of 1939, and received a BS degree in Textile Chemistry. His senior year he was vice-president of Phi Psi, the honorary Textile fraternity.

After graduation, he joined CIBA corporation in New York, but resigned in 1940 to join the army on November 7 as a Chemical Warfare officer. Until April 1942 he was stationed at Fort Benning, GA. He was then reassigned to Company C of the 2nd Chemical Battalion at Fort Bliss, TX, from where, a year later, he was sent to North Africa, and then Sicily and Italy. Robert Guy died in the battle for Cassino, Italy. For his bravery, he received the European African Middle Eastern Campaign Medal with one bronze star, the Purple Heart, and the Croix de Guerre from France.

He lies at rest in the Lowry family plot in Zion Cemetery, near Lowrys, SC. On the day of his interment, all flags in Chester were lowered to half-mast.

Captain Guy was survived by his widow, now Mrs. W. S. Judy of Greenville; one daughter; and one sister-in-law, Mrs. R. C. Guy, Jr. of Chester.

Daisy Stringfellow Guy Judy

Daisy Stringfellow was born in 1922 in Chester, a daughter of Myron J. and Daisy Stringfellow.
Born on October 17, 1914, John was the son of John C. and Alice Hubbard of Bennettsville, SC. He graduated from the local high school and then attended Clemson College with the Class of 1939 but left after his freshman year to assume ownership and management of the local Nehi Bottling Plant in Bennettsville.

John was a member of the Junior Chamber of Commerce, the Methodist Church, and the Woodmen of the World. He was one of the outstanding young business men of the community, in his off hours, he took flying lessons from a local instructor, Buster Rowe.

Came the war, and he entered the service as a private on February 3, 1942. He qualified for OCS and was made a 2nd Lieutenant. He passed a test for pilot training and received his wings. After several additional training assignments in the states, he was transferred to England in December, 1944. Only a few weeks later, 2nd Lieutenant Hubbard was killed while taking off on a bombing mission. His body was returned to the states, and he was interred in McCall Cemetery.

John was survived by his wife, their daughter Brenda Joyce Hubbard, and his parents, all of Bennettsville.

June Cottingham Hubbard

June Cottingham was born in Bennettsville in December, 1925, a daughter of Margaret Cottingham.
John Thomas Lyles, Jr.

★ Died May 20, 1945 ★

John was born in Newberry, SC on September 12, 1918. His parents were John T. and Maggie A. Lyles. He attended schools in Newberry, and entered Clemson College in 1935 with the Class of 1939. After graduating with a BS degree in General Science, John volunteered for Army service on July 25, 1940.

He initially served as an instructor with the 29th Infantry Division at Fort Benning, GA. In January, 1942, he entered the Army Air Corps and received his wings on August 5, 1942 at Fort Moultrie, GA. As a P-47 fighter pilot, he was sent to the Pacific in March, 1945 with the 463rd Fighter Squadron of the 507th Fighter Group. The following May 20th Captain Lyles was reported missing by his wingman when last seen on a scheduled altitude test 30,000 feet above Eniwetok Atoll in the Marshall Islands. His body was not recovered, and he was declared dead by the War Department on May 21st, 1946.

In addition to his parents, he was survived by his wife, the former Miss Kathryn Crawford of Columbia; one brother, William G. Lyles; his maternal grandmother, Mrs. Mary Livingstone; and two nephews, Billy and Bobby Lyles; all of Columbia.

A memorial service for Captain Lyles was held at the Ebenezer Evangelical Lutheran church in Columbia on June 16, 1946.
Joel McMillan
★ Died March 25, 1946 ★

1937

Joel was born on December 27, 1914 in Saluda, a son of John Archie and Lilly Covington McMillan. Following his early schooling in Saluda, he attended Clemson University, graduating in 1939 with a BS degree in Horticulture. He returned to Columbia, and was employed by Brubham Seed & Floral Company in Columbia. He prepared landscaping plans, grew plants, and worked also as a salesman.

Joel entered into military service on August 1, 1941 and was stationed at Fort Benning for two years, during which he had six months of rifle and heavy weapons training. He served as Company Commander of a rifle company in the Asiatic-Pacific theater in northern and central Burma from December 29, 1943 to his release from active duty in the Army on November 5, 1945. At that time he was transferred as a captain to the Headquarters, Chinese Combat Command, serving as a Combat Liaison Officer, first with a Chinese battalion and then between Chinese headquarters and the services of supply. From this assignment he was honorably discharged on February 7, 1946. For his CBI service, he wore three battle stars on his campaign ribbon, and he was decorated by the Chinese government with the Award of Merit.

He returned to the states and to his family in Lexington, but his wartime experiences continued to bedevil him until it became no longer bearable, and he took his own life only a month after arriving back home - a casualty of the war. He was survived by his wife and their two children; three brothers, Thomas P. McMillan of Wagener, Obie McMillan of Harleyville, and Covington (Goat) McMillan of Clemson; and three sisters, Florence M. (Mrs. Thornwell) Clyburn of Bethune, Sara M. (Mrs. Ben) Henderson of Charleston, SC, and Naomi M. (Mrs. Raymond) Boyd of North Augusta, SC.

Grace Sease McMillan
Died April 23, 1974

Mrs. McMillan, 59, died Tuesday in the Lexington County Hospital after a short illness. She was born on November 17, 1914 in Lexington County, a daughter of W. Crosson and Amanda S. Sease. She was the widow of Captain Joel McMillan of Saluda, SC.

She had lived in Lexington County all her life. She was a member of Mt. Tabor Lutheran Church in West Columbia, SC. Mrs. McMillan was survived by her two children; her mother of Lexington; two sisters, Mildred S. (Mrs. John) Strang of Springfield, IL, and Kathleen S. (Mrs. Joe) Looney of Columbia; three brothers, Ray B. Sease of Anderson, Earl H. Sease of West Columbia, and Armand C. Sease of Lexington; and two grandchildren.
Clem was born on February 15, 1920 in Brunson, SC, a son of C. Daniel and L. Rose Miley. He entered Clemson in 1935, where he was an honor student and active in Alpha Zeta, the honorary agricultural fraternity, and as the horticulture editor of The Agrarian. He graduated in 1939 with a BS degree in Horticulture.

Clem enlisted as a private in the Air Corps at Fort Jackson on March 31, 1942. He attended OCS and was commissioned a 2nd Lieutenant in October, 1942. He was sent to the Pinellas Air Force Base in Florida for training as a pilot. After receiving his wings, he was assigned to the 440th Fighter Squadron, 337th Fighter Group at Drew Field near Tampa, FL. On June 16, 1943 he was flying a P-40L plane out of Dale Mabry Field in Tallahassee, FL, and was five miles northwest of the Pinellas AAF Field when was killed as a result of a mid-air collision with another similar aircraft. His body was returned to his parents, and he was buried in the Mount Pleasant Cemetery near Ehrhardt, SC. There was a graveside ceremony on June 20, conducted by Rev. W. J. Swindell.

Lieutenant Miley was not married. Besides his parents, he was survived by one brother, who was then stationed at Fort Jackson.
Pete Miller was born December 30, 1916 in Hamer, SC, a son of Furman and Lily Miller. He attended public schools in Dillon, and then entered Clemson with the Class of 1939. He graduated with a BS degree in Vocational Agricultural Education. In school he was active in the 4-H Club, the Grange, and Future Farmers of America. He was a member of the Methodist Church.

Returning to Dillon following graduation, he taught in the Centenary High School until called to active duty on February 11, 1942. He received training with the 314th Infantry Regiment of the 79th Infantry Division sequentially at Fort Benning, Camp Pickett, VA, Blanding, FL, Forrest, TN, the Deser Training Center, AZ, and Camp Phillips, KA. The division left from the POE at Shanks, NY for training in England in April of 1944. It landed on Utah Beach in Normandy in June, 1944 and entered into combat on June 19th. It entered Cherbourg on June 25, held a defensive line at the Ollande River until July 2, and then took LaHaye du Puits in house-to-house fighting on July 8. On July 26 they attacked across the Ay River, took Lessay, crossed the Sarthe River and entered Le Mans on August 8. They crossed the Seine on August 19, repelled heavy German counterattacks, and reached the Thouain River on August 31. They crossed the Belgium frontier near St. Amand and took Charmes in heavy street fighting on September 12. In November his parents were notified by the War Department that Lt. Miller had been killed in action in Europe on September 22, 1944. Lester was initially interred in the military cemetery at Andilly, France, but in 1948 his remains were brought back to the states and buried in Dillon. For his military service 1st Lieutenant Lester Miller earned the Bronze Star Medal for bravery, the Purple Heart for his death in action, and several others.

He was survived by his parents; one brother, Sgt. Winston Miller of Fort Bragg, NC; three sisters, Reha M. Miller, seaman first class, WAVES, stationed in Charleston, Mrs. Carla Williams of Fort Jackson, and Doris Williams, then a senior at Columbia College. He apparently was not married.
Daniel Cary Morgan
★ Died May 23, 1944 ★

Daniel “Chick” Morgan, a son of Jesse T. and Edith W. Morgan of Wellford. He graduated from the Welford High School and entered Clemson with the Class of 1939. In school he was active in Kappa Alpha Sigma, the National Honorary Agronomy Society. He graduated with a BS degree in Agronomy, and was shortly employed by the Farm Security Association in Lancaster, where he worked for three years before being called to active duty with the US Army in January of 1942. On ___ he married Doris Dickson of Duncan, SC.

He was stationed at Fort Jackson with the 77th Infantry Division for nearly a year before leaving the states for overseas duty on January 31, 1943. He was assigned to the 5th Army. First Lieutenant Morgan was killed in action during the breakout from the Anzio beachhead on May 23, 1944. His body was returned to the states and he was interred in Arlington Cemetery, Florence, SC. Funeral services were held at the Wellford Baptist Church, Spartanburg County, on August 29, 1944.

At his death, he was survived, beside his mother, by his wife; five brothers, Thomas W. Morgan of Clemson, Carl S. Morgan of Wellford, Julien E. Morgan of Sanford, J.T. Morgan of Greer, and Buren W. Morgan of Tucapau; and three sisters, Lois E. Edwards of Greenville, Vera E. Garrison of Calhoun Falls, and Marie E. Williams of Wilmington, NC.

Doris Dickson Morgan Wright.

Doris Dickson was born on April 26, 1922 in Duncan, a daughter of Spartan C. and Sallie A. Dickson. After graduating from Duncan High School, she attended Anderson College. On ___ she married Daniel Morgan, who died in 1944. On September 6, 1947 she married Alton K. (Toby) Wright on September 6, 1947. They were blessed with ___ children. Toby died ___. Doris is a member of the Memorial United Methodist Church in Greer.
Walter Nelson was born in 1915 in Savannah, GA, a son of Walter S. and Lois S. Nelson. He attended the public schools in Savannah, and entered Clemson in 1935 to study engineering. He returned to Savannah after his Sophomore year, and took a job as a salesman in an auto parts store.

On 8 November 1941 he enlisted in the Army Air Corps in Montgomery, AL to be an aviation cadet. After flight training, he was transferred to North Africa, where he served as the pilot of a C-47, ferrying paratroopers to support the invasion of Sicily. On July 11, his flight was fired on by units of the British Royal Navy, and his plane was downed and he was killed by friendly fire. Walter was initially buried in the military cemetery at Mount Sopranio, Italy, but at the request of his family he was brought back home and reinterred in Savannah, GA.

Walter was survived by his parents and his three sisters Lois, Nancy and Mary Nelson. He was not married.
Burrel Franklin Newman
★ Died June 11, 1943 ★

Burrel was born in McBee in July, 1915, a son of Boyd J. and Sallie J. Newman. He entered Clemson in 1933 but left after his Junior year, and in 1937 married Laura Martin of Pendleton. He returned to complete his college career with the Class of 1939, earning a BS degree in Industrial Education.

Burrel taught industrial education in Orangeburg for a year before entering the service on July 14, 1940. He trained with the 29th Infantry Regiment and the 502nd Parachute Battalion in Fort Benning, and had jumped sixteen times while in the Parachute Battalion. He transferred to the Air Corps, and was trained at Maxwell Field, Shaw Field, Spencer Field, Hendricks Field, and Sioux City, Iowa before being sent to England in April of 1943. First Lieutenant Newman was the first pilot of a B-27 Flying Fortress, and was attached to the 527th Bomber Squadron, 379th Bomber Group, Heavy. On June 11, 1943, he and his crew left their base in England on their second mission, to strike the ship-building yards in Bremen. On the way, they were diverted to a secondary target, the dockyards at Wilhelmshaven. There they were attacked by two German fighter planes and shot down, with only the bombardier and gunner surviving. Burrel was buried in Germany, but his body was later moved to the Netherlands American Cemetery at Margraten, Netherlands. His grave is in Plot I, Row 20, Grave 8. He was a recipient of the Purple Heart medal. A memorial marker to Burrel was erected in 2003 in the Union United Methodist Church graveyard at McBee.

Burrel was survived by his wife Laura, and by their two children, Leon and Quincy Newman, both of whom are Clemson graduates. He was also survived by his parents; three sisters, Earline, Bernice Newman Blackwell, and Sarah; five brothers, Francis, Robert, Boyd, Bennie, and Charles Newman.

Laura Martin Newman Stevenson

Mrs. Stevenson was born in July 1915 in Anderson County, a daughter of Fred F. and Sara L. Martin. She attended the public schools in Seneca, and in 1937 married Burrel F. Newman. While Burrel was serving in the army during the war, Laura and their two sons stayed with Burrel’s parents in McBee. Sometime after Burrel’s death, she married Stevenson. In 1959, Laura entered Clemson, where she earned an MS in Education. She taught school in the Clemson area for many years, retiring in 1976 from Mortison Elementary School. Laura in recent years lived in Pendleton, and was a long-time member of the Pendleton Garden Club and Friends of the (Clemson Botanical) Garden. She is a member of the Pendleton Methodist Church. Mrs Stevenson currently resides at The Magnolia Assisted Living in Easley, SC.
Monty was born in September, 1918 in Savannah, GA, a son of Max M. and Mary M. Nichols. He attended the local public schools, and in 1935 entered Clemson College. At Clemson, he was an honor student, and a member of Phi Kappa Phi. He was also a member of Tiger Brotherhood all four years, and in his sophomore year was inducted into Athanor, the honorary Chemical fraternity. He graduated in 1939 with a BS degree in Chemistry.

Following graduation, Monty took a job with the Southern Cotton Oil Company in New Orleans, LA. He was called into active duty with the Chemical Warfare Corps, but later volunteered for service with a bomber group. He became a bombardier with the 373rd Bomber Squadron in the CBI under Gen. Claire Chennault. On a mission over Rangoon, his plane was shot down with the loss of the whole crew.

The remains of the crew of eleven men were initially buried in the American Military Cemetery in Barrackpore, India, but in 1950 they were returned to the US and interred as a group in the National Cemetery at Louisville, KY.

General Chennault wrote Monty’s family, saying “He was a fine soldier and a true American.” General Hap Arnold said, “In every respect he proved to be a credit to his command, and his intense loyalty won the admiration of his associates.”

Monty was never married. While in the service he became engaged to a young lady in Denver, but the war interfered and the marriage never took place.
Joe Bean Palmer was born in Timmonsville in March, 1915, a son of George G. and Mary K. Palmer. His father died when Joe was 5, so he and his brothers were raised by their mother. He attended the public schools in Timmonsville and Florence, and entered Clemson in 1934. He graduated in 1939 with a BS degree in Animal Husbandry.

Joe was non-ROTC in college, so when the war came, he entered into military service as a private in the Marine Corps. He was assigned to the 4th Marine Division when it was activated on August 14, 1943. The division shipped out from the states on January 13, 1944, and their first contact with the enemy was in the battle of Kwajalein in the Marshall Islands where they captured several islets on January 31, 1944, and the next day landed on Roi-Namur. There they encountered relatively heavy resistance, but within two days were able to wrest the island from the Japanese. The next step for the 4th Division in the island hopping campaign was the Battle of Saipan in the Mariana Islands. The 4th Division made an amphibious landing at 9 a.m. on June 15th, 1944 and by nightfall had established a beachhead six miles wide on the west coast of Saipan. By July 9th, the island was secure, but in this most costly battle yet, almost 3000 Americans were killed, including 1st Lieutenant Joseph Bean Palmer. Joe was interred in the 4th Marine Division Cemetery on Saipan, but was eventually brought back and buried in Arlington National Cemetery in Ft. Myer, VA.
Daniel Townsend Pope

★ Died June 16, 1943 ★

1935-1936

Daniel Pope was born on September 3, 1918 in Middleton on Edisto Island, SC, a son of Mikell and Sharlotte N. Pope. He attended Clemson University, graduating in 1939 with a BS degree in Agricultural Engineering. At Clemson he was president of ASAE his senior year, a member of Alpha Zeta, the honorary Agricultural Fraternity, Tiger Brotherhood, and the Freshman, Sophomore, Junior and Senior Platoons.

Daniel enlisted as an Aviation Cadet in the military service in December, 1940, and was accepted by the Air Force for pilot training. By 1943 he was a Captain and a student pilot. On the morning of Wednesday, June 16, Captain Pope was killed at the start of a routine training flight when his plane, a B-24 Liberator, crashed on take-off from Smyrna Field, killing all five occupants. The plane was piloted by classmate Clifford Gormley. Captain Pope’s body was returned to his parents, and he was buried in the Presbyterian Church Cemetery on Edisto Island. He had received the WWII Victory Medal and the Purple Heart.

He was survived by his wife, Mrs. Dorothy Pope, who returned to her home in Alabama following his death.

Dorothy Pettus Pope Blalock
Died May 23, 1982

Dorothy Pettus was born in Alabama in 1924, a daughter of William A. and Birdie Pettus. She married D. T. Pope while he was in flight training during WWII. After Daniel’s death in 1943, Dorothy returned to her home in Alabama. Some years later she married D. Braxton Blalock, and they lived in Atlanta. Dorothy and Braxton had four children.

Dorothy Blalock died on Sunday, May 23, 1982. Funeral services were held on Tuesday at Spring Hill, Atlanta.

She was predeceased by her second husband, Baxter Blalock. Survivors included a daughter and three sons, and several grandchildren.
Henry Ayer Raysor, II

★ Died January 12, 1944 ★

1935-1936

Named for his paternal grandfather, Henry II was born on February 4, 1919 in Orangeburg, a son of Frank W. and Mary H. Raysor. After graduation from Greenville High School, he entered Clemson in 1935 and while at Clemson was an honor student and a member of the Greenville County Club all four years. Harry participated in the Freshman Platoon, served on The Tiger staff his sophomore year, and was involved in intramural sports several years. He graduated in 1939 with a BS degree in Chemistry.

On June 16, 1940 Harry married Melba Burgess in Greenville. He entered into military service as a 2nd Lieutenant in November, 1940. After initial training, he was assigned to the Chemical Warfare Service, and trained with the 3rd Chemical Battalion which was activated in January, 1942. The Battalion was equipped with 4.2" mortars for firing chemicals, smoke, or HD shells for support of infantry operations. The 3rd Chemical Battalion was attached to the 3rd Infantry Division, which had been in North Africa since November of 1942, and which really didn't know what a 4.2 mortar was for. Within a few days of landing in Sicily, they had released the 3rd Chemical Battalion to II Corps reserve, and its men were put to work guarding POW camp and supply points.

On the night of 31 July, 1943 the 3rd Division moved forward to relieve the 45th Infantry Division and help complete the Sicily operation. They next moved into Italy, and on the morning of January 12, 1944, Captain Raysor, who was company commander of C Company of the 3rd Chemical Battalion, was occupying a building near Ceravolo when an enemy plane dropped a bomb on the building. Captain Raysor died of suffocation almost instantly. His body was recovered and on January 17 was interred in a temporary military cemetery in Marcellina-Nueva, Italy. At the request of his father, his remains were later disinterred and buried in the Woodlawn Memorial Park in Greenville. He was survived by his parents, his widow and son, and a sister, Mary Francis Raysor (Mrs. William) McGinty of Greenville.

Melba Burgess Raysor Gamble

Died December 14, 2006

Melba Burgess was born in Spartanburg on December 25, 1920, a daughter of William L. and Ida E. Burgess. She entered Furman University in 1938 and married Harry Raysor in Greenville on June 16, 1940. They had a son, Francis Wannamaker Raysor, II, who was born on January 24, 1943. After Henry's death, she married Connolly Currie Gamble, Jr of Hickory, NC, with whom she had three daughters.

Melba Burgess Raysor Gamble died on December 14, 2006 in Midlothian, VA.
John Edward Rowland

★ Died September 9, 1945 ★

John Ed was born in Hamer November 20, 1917, a son of W.W. and Jewel Rowland. He attended the grade schools in Hamer, and completed high school in Dillon in 1935. He entered Clemson that same year, but had to drop out after his sophomore year.

On April 12, 1942, John Ed married Evelyn Holder of Jonesboro, NC, and the very next day enlisted in the army at Fort Jackson. He was sent to Claiborne, LA for training and duty with Company C of the 331st Engineer Battalion. At Claiborne he entered the Officer Training School, and was commissioned as a 2nd Lieutenant on November 25, 1942. In December he was transferred to the newly activated 369th Engineer Regiment, with which he trained at Claibourne and the Desert Training Center in California. On March 6, 1944 he departed the San Francisco POE with the 369th Engineers for service on Guadalcanal. 1st Lieutenant Rowland was on Guadalcanal until June of 1945, when he transferred to Manila. On September 2, 1945, the Japanese in the Philippines finally surrendered to the American forces. One week later, Captain John Ed Rowland died in a jeep accident in Luzon. His body was initially buried in the Philippines, but was brought back in 1950 and re-interred in Hamer in the Kentyre Cemetery. John and Evelyn had one son, John, Jr. who died on June 12, 2000.

Evelyn Holder Rowland McIver
Died November 22, 1964

Evelyn Holder was born in Jonesboro, NC in 1914, a daughter of Thomas N. and Etta C. Holder. She married John Edward Rowland on April 12, 1942. She accompanied John Ed while he was in training in the US, and when he left for overseas service, she returned to her parents home. Some time after John Ed’s death, Evelyn married Kenneth A. McIver on July 30, 1948. They were living in Sanford, NC when she died on November 22, 1964. Kenneth McIver died on August 21, 1988.
Francis Herbert Scarborough
★ Died January 27, 1945 ★

Francis Scarborough was born in Mount Clio on December 18, 1917, a son of Josiah L. and Minnie M. Scarborough. He attended Elliott High School in Bishopville and entered Clemson in 1935. At Clemson, he participated in the Palmetto Literary Society and the American Society of Agricultural Engineers, and graduated in 1939 with a BS degree in Agricultural Engineering.

Francis entered into active duty with the US Army on September 9, 1940. After training in the states, 1st Lieutenant Scarborough was sent to the Philippines with the 2nd Observation Squadron, attached to the 57th Infantry Regiment of the 7th Infantry Division. The Squadron was equipped with B-3a Bi-plane bombers. When the Japanese captured Nichols Field in December of 1942, he relocated to Bataan serving with the Infantry, and was among the American troops on Corregidor when it was captured by the Japanese on May 6, 1942. On December 16, 1942 he was reported by word from the Japanese government through the International Red Cross as a POW in the Philippines.

On January 27, 1945, Captain Scarborough was apparently aboard a POW ship, the Enoura Maru, being transported from the Philippines to Japan when the ship was sunk and all aboard drowned. He is memorialized on a monument in the Manila American Cemetery at Fort Bonifacio in Manila. Captain Scarborough earned a Silver and Bronze Star, and the eternal thanks of all Americans. He was never married.
Frank Howard Shirley, Jr.

★ Died November 16, 1943 ★

Frank was born in 1918 in Westminster, SC, a son of Frank H. and Margaret W. Shirley. After finishing the Westminster High School, he entered Clemson in 1935, majoring in General Science, but left after one year to return to help his family.

Frank enlisted in the Navy at the Naval Recruiting Station in Raleigh on August 24, 1939, entering military service ahead of most of his classmates. He was stationed at the Naval Training Station at Norfolk, VA, before being assigned as a Fire Controlman First Class to duty aboard the USS Walke., a Sims-class destroyer, launched in 1939 and sunk in the naval battle of Guadalcanal on 15 November 1942. After a harrowing night clinging to a raft in the open sea, he was picked up the next morning by the destroyer Meade, and ultimately returned for treatment at the US Naval Hospital at Chelsea, MA. Following recovery from his wounds, he was reassigned to the Pacific area, only to be lost at sea on November 16, 1943. He earned the Purple Heart and the World War II Victory Medal. Frank is memorialized in the Manila American Cemetery at Fort Bonifacio, Manila.

Frank was survived by his mother and two brothers, James A. Shirley and Raymond Shirley; and a sister, Margaret C. Shirley.
Raymond Sloan was born on April 26, 1918 in Marion, SC, a son of Mr. & Mrs. Arthur Gibson Sloan. He graduated from Marion public schools and entered Clemson in 1935. While at Clemson, Raymond, or “Soph” as he was known on campus, was a cheer leader, photo editor of TAPS and Secretary of the Central Dance Association. He graduated in 1939 with a BS degree in Agronomy.

Only a short time later, he joined the Army Air Corps, receiving his wings at Kelly Field, Texas on March 23rd of 1940. In November he was sent to the Philippines, and a few months later was made Assistant to the chief of the Philippine Army Air Corps. He was stationed at Nichols Field, Manila, with the 17th Pursuit Squadron, 24th Pursuit Group, when hostilities began. With all their planes destroyed on December 8 by the enemy, he was assigned to the Infantry and on February 11 he died of wounds received the previous day on Bataan - one day after having been promoted to Captain.

He was the first Clemson graduate to die in the war. He is buried in the Manila American Cemetery, Plot A Row 9 Grave 68. His college ring was apparently removed from his body by a Japanese soldier who later pawned it in Japan. It was found there by another Clemson graduate, Dr. Sam Witherspoon ’48, who redeemed it and returned it to Clemson, where it now occupies a place of honor.

In February of 1943 his father, a member of the SC House of Representatives from Marion County, was advised by the Adjutant General of the War Department that Captain Sloan had been awarded posthumously the Silver Star for gallantry in action, and the Purple Heart for wounds received in action.

Soph Sloan never married.
Denny Lewis Starr

★ Died June 25, 1944 ★

1935-1936
Denny Starr was born on April 20, 1918, a son of Henry F. and Sarah B. Starr of Bamberg. He was a graduate of the Walterboro High School, where he was team captain of the football squad his senior year. He attended Clemson for three years with the Class of 1939, leaving early in his senior year to be associated with the Edisto Auto Finance Company, and later aided his father in the operation of the family business.

Denny married Louise Boggs May 30, 1941. He joined the Army as a private on September 23, 1943, and trained at Camp Wheeler, GA. While he was at Camp Wheeler, Louise gave birth to a son, Denny Joe Starr, on February 16, 1944. From Camp Wheeler, Denny was sent to Fort George Meade, MD, and thence to England, arriving in April of 1944, just in time for the D-Day invasion. He was assigned to "E" Company, 12th Infantry Regiment, 4th Infantry Division. In early June Corporal Starr wrote his parents, saying that he was in France and well. On June 25, 1944 he was mortally wounded in the battle to secure Cherbourg. He was initially buried in the Normandy American Cemetery near Omaha Beach, but his body was returned in 1947 or 1948 to his family for burial in the Starr plot in the Live Oak Cemetery in Walterboro. Surviving were his widow and son; his parents; a sister and brother-in-law, Elizabeth S. and B. George Price, III (Clemson '35); and a brother, P.H. Starr of Norfolk, VA. In 1947, his widow married Rupert E. Rhodes, and Denny Joe Starr's name was changed to Denny Starr Rhodes.

Louise Boggs Starr Rhodes
Died October 10, 2006

Mrs. Rhodes, 89, of Walterboro, a retired public health nurse and widow of Rupert E. Rhodes, died at home on Tuesday. She was born on June 26, 1917 in Liberty, SC, a daughter of Joseph and Cora Lee Hammond Boggs. She attended the Pickens High School and Anderson College. Pursuing a medical career, she attended the SC Medical School in Charleston, graduating as a Registered Nurse. She also attended Peabody College in Nashville, from which she obtained a degree in Public Health.

Louise Boggs married Denny Lewis Starr of Walterboro on May 30, 1941. With Denny, she had one son, Denny Joe Starr. Her husband was killed in action in France in 1944, and in 1947 she married Rupert E. Rhodes of Walterboro, at which time her son's name was changed to Denny Starr Rhodes. With Rupert, she had one son, Rupert Rhodes, Jr., who was born on June 14, 1949.

Mrs. Rhodes worked for the Colleton County Health Department as a Public Health Nurse, both before she married Rupert Rhodes and after his death in 1974, retiring from that job in 1979 or 1980. She was a long-time member of the Bethel United Methodist Church in Walterboro.

Graveside services for Mrs. Rhodes were held in the Greenlawn Memorial Gardens of Walterboro on October 12, 2006. She was predeceased by her husband Rupert, who died in December of 1974. She was survived by her two sons, four grandchildren, and her devoted caregiver, Naomi Grant of Walterboro.
James Tinsley Whitney

* Died August 3, 1944 *

1935-1939

He was the son of Fred H. and Lois T. Whitney of Union, SC. He was a graduate of the Union High School, and of Clemson College in 1939 with a BS degree in Industrial Education. While in Clemson he was a member of the Block "C" Club, the Palmetto Literary Society, the YMCA Council, and the Sophomore, Junior and Senior Plaques.

In 1939 he went to Walterboro as the high school shop instructor, remaining there until he entered the army on March 5, 1942. In June of 1942 he married Dorothy Mae Graham of Ruffin, who was then the music instructor in the high school.

Lieutenant Whitney was assigned to the 307th Infantry Regiment of the 77th Infantry Division (Statue of Liberty Division), which was activated on March, 25, 1942. After almost two years of training in the states, the division left for the Pacific area in February of 1944, landing in Hawaii in March of 1944, where the division had further training in amphibious landings and jungle warfare. In July they departed for Guam, making an assault landing on July 21th. Lacking amphibious vehicles, the troops had to wade ashore from the edge of the reef, after being dropped by their landing craft. After successfully defending the beachhead for several days against counterattacking Japanese forces, the division drove north, seizing Mount Tenjo and linking with the 3rd Marine Division on July 28th, and by the 30th had captured the Orote airfield and the Apra harbor. Continuing north, they met and engaged the Japanese forces at Mount Barrigada on August 2nd to August 4th. It was during this engagement that Lieutenant Whitney was killed in action. His wife was notified by the war department in early September that First Lieutenant James Whitney had died August 3 in action against the Japanese on Guam. He is interred at Plot D Row 0 Grave 479 in the Honolulu Memorial Cemetery in Hawaii. He was the recipient of the Bronze Star for gallantry in action, and the Purple Heart. Survivors as of that time included his parents; his widow; a brother, William Whitney in the Merchant Marine; a sister, Mrs. Furman Finley of Seneca; and two aunts, Mrs. W.J. Lancaster and Mrs. T.J. West, both of Union, SC.

Dorothy Mae Graham Whitney

Died

Dorothy Mae Graham was born in about 1920 in Ruffin, SC, a daughter of Dan A. and Bessie L. Graham.
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D. Frank Carmuth
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A. Dewitt Chapman
Phillip B. Chovan
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William J. Coleman
William S. Coleman Sr.
J. Clinton Cook Jr.
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Olin L. Copeland Jr.
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Lawrence T. Garick Jr.
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John L. Gaskins
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Harold C. Gibson
Hugh A. Gilchrist
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Clifford J. Gunley
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D. Zack Gray
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F. Wardlaw Griffin
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Joseph H. Guise
C. Clay Gunter
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Myers T. Hambright Jr.
Edmund B. Hammond Jr.
George W. Hancock Sr.
Claude C. Handley
Kenneth E. Harmon
Mayo N. Harn
Jacob R. Harman
James E. Harrington
Charles B. Hastings
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W. Thomas Handerson Jr.
Bennett P. Hendricks Jr.
Carroll E. Hendrix
Robert L. Harry Jr.
Henry K. Herlong Sr.
Robert Hestor
Robert C. Heyward Jr.
Theodore C. Heyward Jr.
Maurice D. Hiers
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L. Clifton Hornor Jr.
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Joseph B. Howe
John C. Hubbard Jr.
W. Manchester Hudson Sr.
D. Gregory Hughes
Frederick Hughes
Willard E. Hutchins
Donald M. Hutchinson
William P. Irwin
Ellis M. Ivy Jr.
Claude E. Johnson
Richard F. Jackson Jr.
Walter O. Jackson Jr.
Floyd D. Johnson

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Class of 1939

Malcolm C. Johnson
Ellenba P. Johnstone
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James S. Jones Sr.
L. Frank Jones
Malcolm H. Jones
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Cleon G. Moon
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Daniel C. Morgan
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John B. Murphy
D. A. Mustard
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Burrett F. Newman
George M. Newman
William C. Newman
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Paul W. Nichols
James B. Nickles
W. Bryon Norwood
Frank W. O’Neal
J. Walker Owens
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Norwood R. Page
Joe D. Palmer
Horace C. Parker
Scott P. Patterson
Benjingham F. Pearson Jr.
Francis L. Peck
Bruce A. Peck
Curtis W. Penniman
D. Townsend Poppel
Mitchell H. Powers
Alexander H. Pragnall Jr.
Jackson R. Price
Carl W. Price
J. Ralph Prichard
Morton Rabinowitz
Joel H. Radcliffe
Clarence W. Rainey
Francis L. Rawl
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Carroll D. Shealy
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Vernon M. Shell Jr.
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Charles Woods Jr.
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T. Benton Young Jr.
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## CLASS OF 1939 OFFICERS

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Executive Committee

Established June 8, 2018

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Nomination Committee

2018       June Pilcher (3 years)
            Bill Pennington (2 years)
            Richard Figliola (1 year)

2018-19    Cathy Sturkie (3 years)
            June Pilcher (2 years)
            Bill Pennington (1 year)

2019-20    Nominee (3 years)
            Cathy Sturkie (2 years)
            June Pilcher (1 year)
Honorary Members

Class of '39

Award For Excellence Members

Dixie G. Goswami – 1989
Joel V. Brawley – 1990
John L. Idol – 1991
Raymond C. Turner – 1992
Cecil O. Huey – 1994
Francis A. McGuire – 1995
Robert L. LaForge – 1996
Chalmers M. Butler – 1997
Judith M. Melton – 1999
Clifton S. M. Egan – 2000
★Jerry A. Waldvogel – 2001 (2009)
Alfred P. Wheeler – 2002
D. Kinley Sturkie – 2003
Arthur P. Young – 2004
Benjamin L. Sils – 2005
Donald M. McKale – 2006
★Alma Bennett – 2007 (2012)
William T. Pennington Jr. – 2008
Webb M. Smathers – 2009
Melanie M. Cooper – 2010
Richard S. Figliola – 2011
Windsor W. Sherrill – 2012
John M. Ballato – 2013
Catherine Mobley – 2014
June J. Pilcher – 2015
Antonis Katsiyannis – 2016
Terry Tritt – 2017
Lisa C. Benson – 2018

Supporting Members

Mark R. Eisengrein – 1989
Elton W. Shepherd Jr. – 1989
Beth C. Farmer – 1994
Lolly Tai – 1995
William (Whirl) N. Miller – 1996
David L. Senn – 1996
Virginia G. Senn – 1996
Jeannie Kolly – 1997
Cathy T. Sturkie – 1998
Carolyn Robinson – 2000
Adrienne L. Tucker – 2000
Mark S. Avent – 2001
Frank J. Cox – 2001
Anna M. Grant – 2003
James R. Adkins – 2005
A. Neill Cameron Jr. – 2007
Carol Talbert – 2007
Jerome V. Roel Jr. – 2008
Sandy Edge – 2009
Todd A. Steadman – 2009
James O. Swonny Jr. – 2010
Robert M. Sweeney – 2010
R. Trent Allen – 2012
Betty (Bett) W. Long – 2012
Liz P. Newall – 2012
Charles Bradley Russell – 2013
A. Vincent Brawley – 2014
Richie Senn – 2014
Daria Anderson – 2016
John Bodiford – 2016
Anna Brawley – 2016
Patrick McMillan – 2017

Plus wives of all deceased classmates

★Deceased

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Reunion Committee

A Standing Committee of the Class of '39

Chair: Anne McMahan Grant, Vice President
      Winsor Sherrill, President
      Richic Senn, Secretary
      Chip Egan, Treasurer
      (ad hoc members)

      Dana Anderson
      Joel Brawley
      Cecil Hucy
      Whirl Miller
      Cathy Sturkie
      Kinly Sturkic
      David Senn
      Hap Wheeler
      Chalmers Butler, Necrologist
      Ray Turner, Reunion Brochure

The purpose of the Reunion Committee is to plan, organize and conduct class meetings, especially including the annual reunion.
Heritage Garden Committee

A Standing Committee
of the Class of '39

Frank Cox¹ '68, Chairman
J. C. Cook²
David Senn ’75
Chief Shepherd, Rutgers ’69
Mary Welch³
Michele Welch ’89

¹Son of Walter Cox ’39
²Son of Clinton Cook ’39
³Daughter of Joel Radcliffe ’39

★ Ben Anderson ’70
★ Bobby Avent
★ Bill Carlisle
★ Walter Cox
★ Frank O’Neal
★ Toc Senn ’39 (Ex Officio)
★ Shep Shepherd (Emeritus)
★ Jim Sweeney
★ Tommy Thomson
★ Bud Webb ’55
★ George Williams (Honorary)
★ Russ Wolfe
★ Bill Zeigler

★ - Deceased

The function of the Heritage Garden Committee is to oversee the design, construction, and long-time maintenance in coordination with appropriate University administrative operations.
Bylaws of the Clemson University Class of 1939
(* See Note after Article X - January 9, 2018)

ARTICLE I - NAME

Section 1. The name of this organization shall be the Clemson University Class of 1939.

Section 2. The Clemson University Class of 1939 shall function under the auspices of the Office of the Vice President for Academic Affairs & Provost of Clemson University, hereafter referred to as the Office of the Provost.

Section 3. The Clemson University Class of 1939 shall hereafter be referred to as the Class.

ARTICLE II - VISION AND PURPOSE

Section 1. The vision of the Class is to perpetuate and champion the traditions of the original members of the Class and promote their values of selfless generosity, service, loyalty and dedication to Clemson University.

Section 2. The purposes of the Class include the following:

a) Continue the annual reunion of the Class, including the Memorial Service.

b) Promote and sustain, with the various partners at the University, the Class of '39 Award for Excellence (see The Class of 1939 Award for Excellence Endowment fund agreement and Award for Excellence Brochure dated June 9, 2010 attached as appendix B) and maintain a spirit of collegiality and participation in Class activities among the recipients of the Award.

c) Establish and sustain Class of '39 scholarships for students (see The Class of 1939 Scholarships Endowment fund agreement attached as appendix C).

d) Facilitate the creation of and help sustain campus projects that memorialize the history and legacy of Clemson University or otherwise serve the University community and the public.

e) Engage in other activities that promote the vision of the Class (see The Class of 1939 Endowment for the South Carolina Botanical Garden at Clemson University fund agreement attached as appendix D).

ARTICLE III - MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. Original Members: Those men who attended Clemson Agricultural and Mechanical College sometime during the years 1935 - 1939 and identified themselves most strongly with the Class of 1939. This membership is closed and limited to those listed in appendix A (attached)

Section 2. Honorary Members: Individuals (selected as described below) who are granted full privileges as members of the class and are encouraged to participate fully in all class activities and to share the ideals of excellence for Clemson University. They are:

a) The widows of original members;

b) Faculty who have received the Class of '39 Award for Excellence;

c) Special friends who have been selected by the Class because of their contributions to the Class vision and activities.
Section 3. Meetings: There shall be at least one annual meeting of the class. Business matters may be brought before the membership at that meeting or at other meetings called by the Executive Committee. Class members are given at least 30 days advance notice of meetings of the class.

ARTICLE IV – ORGANIZATION

Section 1. The Class is an entity operating within the administrative purview of the Office of the Provost of Clemson University.

Section 2. The Class is subject to the regulations of the University.

Section 3. The Class shall be administered by its elected officers.

ARTICLE V – EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE - OFFICERS AND DUTIES

Section 1. The four officers of the Class shall consist of a President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer. The officers shall serve two-year terms and may succeed themselves. The Officers shall serve as an Executive Committee which will conduct the business of the Class between regular Class meetings. A quorum for meetings of the Executive Committee is three officers.

Section 2. President
a) Serves as chair of the Executive Committee.
b) Serves as the official representative of the Class to the Clemson University administration and as the spokesperson for the Class.
c) Provides leadership for Class programs and activities.
d) Communicates Class activities to the membership.
e) Calls all regular and special meetings of the Class and presides at these meetings.
f) Appoints ad hoc committees (including their chairs) as necessary to implement the objectives of the Class. These appointments are subject to approval by the Executive Committee.
g) Appoints non ex officio members of the Reunion Committee.
h) Proposes an interim officer or an alternative solution if an officer resigns or is unable to complete a term. Any such proposal must be approved by the Executive Committee.

Section 3. Vice President
a) Serves as a member of the Class Executive Committee.
b) Serves in the role of President in the President’s absence.
c) Serves as chair of the Reunion Committee.

Section 4. Secretary
a) Serves as a member of the Class Executive Committee.
b) Maintains all Class membership records.
c) Records and distributes minutes for the Executive Committee, Reunion Committee and Class meetings.
Section 5. Treasurer
a) Serves as a member of the Class Executive Committee.
b) Maintains the Class checking account, deposits income, pays bills, and reports the state of finances to the membership.
c) Receives reports of all Class accounts and endowments from the Clemson University Foundation and communicates such reports to the membership.

ARTICLE VI – STANDING COMMITTEES AND DUTIES

Section 1. Nomination Committee
a) Consists of three members of the Class elected annually for three-year terms except that the initial three members will be elected one each to a three-, two- or one-year term. The members may succeed themselves.
b) Prepares a slate of Class officers and member(s) of the Nominations Committee for each election.
c) Solicits, reviews and presents nominations for honorary membership for election by the membership.

Section 2. Reunion Committee
a) Shall be a committee of no less than eight Class members, four of whom are the Executive Committee. The other appointees shall serve two-year terms and may succeed themselves.
b) Shall meet as necessary to plan the annual reunion consisting of a memorial service, social time, dinner, membership induction, and entertainment.
c) Shall seek to maintain the reunion traditions and practices of the original members of the Class.

ARTICLE VII – QUORUM AND VOTING

Section 1. Meetings of the Class membership
a) The Class shall meet at least once annually.
b) A quorum shall consist of at least one officer and no fewer than ten additional members of the Class.
c) A majority of votes cast by the Class members present shall be necessary for the adoption of motions. This does not apply to motions concerning the Bylaws (see Article X).

ARTICLE VIII – WAYS AND MEANS

Section 1. Finances
a) Contributions to Class endowments and accounts administered by the Clemson University Foundation shall be solicited by the Executive Committee as deemed necessary.
b) The Class shall maintain a checking account to receive and disburse registration funds for the annual reunion.
ARTICLE IX – RULES OF ORDER

Section 1. Meetings of the Class shall be conducted under the latest edition of Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised.

ARTICLE X – ADOPTION OF AND CHANGES TO THE BYLAWS

Section 1. The adoption of any amendments to the Bylaws require distribution to the membership at least 30 days prior to voting, and the approval of all of the following:

a) The Class by two-thirds of the votes cast by Class members;

b) The Vice President for Academic Affairs & Provost of Clemson University.

Section 2. In the event that the Class is not able to continue to make progress in accomplishing its purposes, the Class may be dissolved.

a) Dissolution may be initiated only by Class members and requires the same approval procedure as amendments to the Bylaws (see Section 1 above).

b) Any funds remaining in Class accounts with the Clemson University Foundation and the Class checking account shall be donated to an existing endowment of the Class.

Date of adoption: January 9, 2018

Approvals

Signed by Clifton S. M. Egan
Chair, Class of 1939 Leadership Committee

Signed by Robert H. Jones
Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost

* Note: As the inexorable march of time has reduced the original members of the Class of '39 to fewer than a handful, we, the honorary members, are charged with carrying on the legacy of the Class. It is our responsibility to continue to advance the goals and objectives of the Great Class of 1939. To help accomplish this, an ad hoc committee of the Class (Ray Turner, Hup Wheeler and Chip Egan) has undertaken the drafting of by-laws to provide for the Class' future operation. The resulting draft has been reviewed and modified by the Reunion Committee and approved by Provost Jones. They are hereby prepared for your review. The by-laws are meant to be simple and are designed to provide for class officers, a nominating committee, planning reunions, and the normal execution of business. To assure that the intentions of the original members are preserved, some wording has been taken from documents or minutes of the original Class. The by-laws are augmented by copies of the fund agreements for the Class endowments.
The Great Class

of

1939

Class Activities  2018-2019

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Class of ‘39 Reunion  
June 8, 2018
The Clemson Heritage Gardens in the SC Botanical Garden

Presentation of the Colors by BSA Troop 235
The Audience says the Pledge of Allegiance.

79th
Class of '39 Induction & Presentations  June, 2018
Induction of the 2017 Award for Excellence Recipient
Terry M. Tritt
Clemson '39ers and Guests
June, 2018
Socializing, Dining, and Being Entertained
At Kresge Hall at the Clemson University Outdoor Lab

Photos courtesy of Anna Brawley
Medal of the

Class of ’39 Award for Excellence
The
Faculty Selection
for the
Class of 1939
Award for Excellence
For the year 2018
See page 44 for prior years.
Award for Excellence - 2018
Lisa C. Benson
Professor of Engineering and Science Education

Ph.D., Bioengineering, Clemson University, 2002
M.S., Bioengineering (Minor in EE), Clemson University, 1986
B.S., Bioengineering, University of Vermont, 1982

Prior Positions at Clemson: Assistant Professor and Associate Professor of Engineering and Science Education and Bioengineering; Research Assistant Professor of Bioengineering; Education Director of the Center for Advanced Engineering Fibers and Films.
Other Prior Positions: Adjunct Assistant Professor of Medical University of SC; Adjunct Assistant Professor of Greenville Hospital System University Medical Center.

Dr. Lisa Benson is a Professor in the Department of Engineering and Science Education at Clemson University. She is regarded as one of the world’s leading authorities in engineering education, and her influence has extended from a Greenville arts festival to workshops as far away as Indonesia. She has developed several programs that have become integral to the Clemson University community, while carving out a reputation as an outstanding teacher and researcher. Science As Art is among the most far-reaching and publicly visible of her programs.

Dr. Benson is in her second year of a five-year term as editor of the Journal of Engineering Education, the flagship research journal of the American Society of Engineering Education. As editor, she plays a key role in deciding what research is published in the journal, the top in her profession.

Dr. Benson is responsible for $1.4 million in external funding over the past five years to support her research. The number climbs to $6 million when counting her collaborative efforts to support research at Clemson as a whole.
YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO
THE CLASS OF '39 AWARD FOR
EXCELLENCE CEREMONY AND
RECEPTION TO HONOR

Dr. Lisa C. Benson

TUESDAY
01.08.2019
4:30 PM

CARILLON GARDEN

RECEPTION TO IMMEDIATELY FOLLOW:
PRESIDENT'S SUITE MEMORIAL STADIUM

If you would like to attend the reception please
return the enclosed RSVP card no later than

In the event of the Clemson Tigers participation in the CFP National
Championship game, the ceremony and reception will be held on Tuesday
February 12th, 2019.
Class of '39 Award for Excellence Recipients at the 2018 Bell Tower Ceremony
Class of '39
Award for Excellence Recipients
at the
2019 Bell Tower Ceremony

From left to right

1st Row:
Webb M. Smathers
Terry M. Tritt
Lisa C. Benson
Joel V. Brawley
Catherine Mobley
Raymond C. Turner
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Windsor W. Sherrill
The Class of ’39 Founders Garden
Honoring Thomas Green Clemson

Donor Levels and Naming Opportunities

$35,000 - Reflecting Pool

$25,000 - Wall Niche

$15,000 - Board of Trustees Plaque

$8,000 - Inscribed Stone Wedge

$3,000 - Stone Bench in Garden Corners

$1,000 - Small Bronze Plaque Honoring Class of ’39 Class Member
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