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The

Clemson A & M College

Class of 1939

Reunion 2011

June 9, 10 & 11, 2011

on their

72nd Anniversary of Graduation
Sketch of the Class of 1939 Caboose

Courtesy of President James F. Barker
THURSDAY:
Registration - Madren Center Lobby - 8 a.m. - 6 p.m.

FRIDAY:
Registration - Madren Center Lobby - 8 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Lunch on your own
Memorial Service in the Heritage Gardens - 4:00 p.m.
Social Hour ~ Kresge Hall, CU Outdoor Lab - 5:30 p.m.
Dinner - Kresge Hall - 7:00 p.m.
Presiding - Chip Egan, Chair, Leadership Committee
Honorary Class of '39 Induction:
Melanie M. Cooper, Alumni Distinguished Professor of Chemistry
Recognition of living members
Dr. Alfred P. Wheeler
Special Music

SATURDAY:
Golden Tiger Breakfast - Madren Center - 8 a.m.
Business Meeting - Kresge Hall, Outdoor Lab - 10:00 a.m.
(Class of '39 including honorary members)
Social Hour - Kresge Hall - 11:00 a.m.
Lunch - Kresge Hall - 12:00 p.m.
Presiding - Chip Egan, Chair of Leadership Committee
Special Music

Thus ends another great reunion for the Great Class. Y'all come in 2012 for our 73rd anniversary of graduation, ya hear!
June 10, 2011 at 4:00 p.m.

Memorial Service

The Clemson Heritage Gardens in the Botanical Garden

* Presentation of the Colors ............................................ Pershing Rifles
* God Bless America .......... Fort Hill Presbyterian Church Chancel Choir
Opening Remarks ............................................................... Tee Senn, President
Roll of Remembrance ........................................................... Alma Bennett
Guardroom Bell Ringer ...................................................... Joel Brawley
Meditation of Departure ...................................................... Ray Turner
Anthem ................................................................. Choir
Recognition of Family ...................................................... Tee Senn
Prayer for the Departed .................................................... Larry Bauer
Clemson University Alma Mater ........................................ Choir
* Taps ................................................................. James Cox

Class Picture

Class of ’39 members and their families please remain.

* 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 Tigers play;
Here the sons of dear Old Clemson
Reign supreme always.

We will dream of great conquests,
For our past is grand;
And her sons have fought and conquered
Every foreign land.

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

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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.
Obituaries

of

Classmates

whose deaths have become known to us

since our last reunion

in June, 2010
George Cooper Staley, Jr.
Died January 17, 2007

George (Bud) Staley was born on October 14, 1917 in Chicago, IL, a son of George C. and Mittie B. Staley. He grew up in Chicago and in 1935 entered Clemson College to major in engineering. At Clemson he was known as “Rock.” He was a member of the ASME and the ROTC program. He graduated in 1939 with a BSME degree. His first job was with a coal company in West Virginia. While on that job and anticipating the war, he took private flying lessons.

He was called into active duty in the infantry in November, 1941. He transferred to the Air Force, and after further pilot training was assigned to the 317th Fighter Squadron, 325th Fighter Group, which served in the Mediterranean area. He participated in campaigns in Northern Africa, Sicily and Italy. The last of his flights was escorting bombers. He was the recipient of the Purple Heart. By April, 1944 he had accumulated 200 hours of combat time in 61 missions. He returned to the States and was stationed at Wright-Patterson AFB until discharge in early 1946.

While still at the AFB in Dayton, he had a recurrence of malaria. In the hospital, he fell in love with one of his nurses, Kay Hanger, whom he married in August of 1945. After his discharge he began studying at Purdue for a Masters degree, but dropped that when their son was born later in 1946.

Bud’s working career was as a Mechanical Engineer with ARMCO Steel Corp. at their plant in Middletown, Ohio. He specialized in the installation and maintenance of heavy cranes. He retired in the mid-1980’s as a Senior Engineer.

Bud and Kay lived in Middletown for 11 years until moving to a 140 acre farm outside the city. They rented out the farming and Bud tried his hand at raising pigs and beef cattle. On the farm he constructed a golf practice area, golf being his passion. Bud was a member of the First Presbyterian Church of Middletown, serving as Deacon. He held office in an investment club and several social clubs. In 2003, he and Kathryn moved into the Mount Pleasant Retirement Village in Monroe, OH.

George “Bud” Staley died at Middletown Hospital on Wednesday, January 17, 2007. Funeral services were held on Monday at the First Presbyterian Church, officiated by Pastor Tim Doty. Burial followed in Fairmound Cemetery in West Elkton, OH. He was survived by his wife Kathryn Staley; daughter Rebecca of Cincinnati, OH; and son George of Moline, IL; and predeceased by his two sisters.
Carroll Eugene Hendrix
Died October 21, 2009

Charlie Hendrix (as he was known in college) was born on April 22, 1916 in Greenville County, a son of Elisha B. and Lula W. Hendrix. After completing the local public schools, he entered Clemson, graduating in 1939 with a BS degree in Agricultural Engineering. He went on active duty with the U.S. Army following graduation and served in both WWII and the Korean conflict. He retired from active duty in February, 1957, moved to Hamer, SC, where he went to work with Border Belt Tractor Company.

He was a member of Main Street United Methodist Church, Dillon Lions Club, Dillon Historical Society, American Legion and VFW. He was first married to Elizabeth Garrison, who died in 1980. Sometime prior to 1992 he married Frances Leatherman.

He was still working as of 1979, but by 1998 he had retired as VP - Border Belt Tractor Co., Hamer, SC.

After the death of his second wife, Carroll moved to Louisiana to the care of his daughter Susan Giovanni. He died on Wednesday, October 21, 2009 at Pines Nursing Home. Funeral Services were held on Saturday in the Main Street United Methodist Church, Dillon. Burial with full military honors followed in the Riverside Cemetery, Dillon. Survivors include his daughter Susan Giovanni of Iowa, LA. He was preceded in death by his two sons, Thomas H. Hendrix and Edward E. Hendrix, and by both his first and second wives.
Elder Hill Jones, Sr.
Died June 21, 2010

Elder Jones was born in Hopewell, VA on March 24, 1917, a son of Arcie F. and Lucia H. Jones. After graduating from Nichols, SC High School, he attended Clemson from 1935 to 1939. At Clemson he was active in the Swamp Fox Club, the Dairy Club, Future Farmers of America, and the Palmetto Literary Society. He graduated in 1939 with a BS degree in Vocational Agricultural Education, and took a job teaching agriculture at Macedonia High School in Berkeley County. He married Catherine Walden in 1941.


Following his Army service, he returned to Nichols and taught agriculture at Nichols High School for six years. In 1953 he began teaching at Mullins High School, from which job he retired in 1977. Thereafter, he farmed as a hobby until 2004, when he and Catherine moved into the Methodist Manor of the Pee Dee, an assisted living facility in Florence.

Elder was a member of the Nichols United Methodist Church, where he served as a teacher of the Elder Jones Sunday School Class for 35 years. He was also a member of the Civitan Club, American Legion, Farm Bureau, Confederate Veterans, and Sons of the American Revolution. He was a loyal member of IPTAY for over 65 years.

Elder Jones died on Monday, June 21, 2010 at McLeod Regional Medical Center in Florence. Funeral services were conducted on June 24 in the Nichols UMC, followed by interment in Jones-Goodyear Cemetery in Nichols.

Survivors included Catherine Jones, his wife for 69 years; their three sons, Elder Jones, Jr. of Nichols, Charles W. Jones and wife Charlotte of Columbia, Henry A. Jones and wife Pam of Surfside Beach; grandchildren Cathy J. Laney and husband Frank of Greenville, NC, Sammy Jones and wife Hunter of Newport, NC, Melanie J. Burns and husband Joe of Swansea, SC, Walden Jones and wife Jennifer of Greer, SC, Jennifer J. June and husband Ashton of Columbia, SC, and Neil Jones, also of Columbia; and six great-grandchildren. To his grandchildren and great-grandchildren, Elder was known affectionately as “Big Daddy.”
Harry Gould Salley
Died July 1, 2010

Harry Sally was born in Perry, SC on May 17, 1915, a son of Rufus and Daisy R. Salley. He grew up in Union County, and entered Clemson in 1935. At Clemson he was a member of the Union County Club, and participated in the Freshman through Senior Drill Platoons all four years. He graduated in 1939 with a BS degree in Textile Engineering. In 1941 he married Helen Wilkerson of Hickory Grove.

Harry served in WWII with the U.S. Army.

Harry retired from the Poe Corporation after many years of dedicated service. For over 60 years he and his wife lived in Columbia, where he was an active member of the Centennial ARP Church and the First Presbyterian Church, in both of which he participated in many activities. He taught Sunday School for thirty years, and served as an Elder and Elder Emeritus of the First Presbyterian Church.

Mr. Sally was a devoted and proud supporter of the Clemson Tigers. He will always be remembered as a loving husband, father, brother, grandfather and great-grandfather.

Harry Salley died on Thursday, July 1, 2010 at the Carlisle Nursing Center in Due West. A memorial service was held on Monday in the Nelle Kennedy Moore Dining Hall at the Covenant Way Retirement Center, conducted by Revs. Calvin Draffin and John Hopkins. A private burial was held on Saturday morning in the Due West ARP Church cemetery.

Survivors included his daughter Marcella S. McDaniel of Mauldin; a sister Frances S. Shumpert of Cheraw; two grandchildren, Gardiner Patrick McDaniel of Evansville, IN and Gary Young McDaniel of Cocoa Beach, FL; two great-grandsons and a great-granddaughter.
Francis Lesly Rawl, Sr.
Died July 6, 2010

Mickey was born in Lykesland on September 5, 1918, a son of Reukalus P. and Bessie L. Rawl. He attended the Columbia public schools and entered Clemson in 1935. At Clemson he was senior manager of the basketball team, and earned a Block C in soccer. He was a member of the Grange, the FFA Club, and the 4-H Club. Mickey graduated in 1939 with a BS degree in Vocational Agricultural Education. He married Miriam Freeman of Ahoskie, NC on September 13, 1944, just three days before reporting for military duty with the Army.

After WWII, Mickey remained in the Reserves, retiring in the 1960's as a Lieutenant-Colonel. While in the Reserves, he attended the Command & General Staff School at Fort Leavenworth, KA, and also took courses at North Carolina State University. Following his release from military duty, he developed a tract of land near Columbia into a golf course as a family business. Being very civic minded, he served two terms in the South Carolina Legislature, from 1947 to 1948 and from 1951 to 1952.

Up until the time of his tragic death at the hands of intruders in his home, Mickey was in good health and quite active, spending most of his time at the family business, Sedgewood Golf Course. He was a loyal member of the class of 1939, supporting its projects and regularly attending reunions.

Francis Rawl died on Tuesday, July 6, 2010. Survivors included his wife Dr. Miriam Raw, their daughter Penelope Rawl, their son Francis Rawl, Jr., all of Columbia; their son Lane Rawl of Hopkins; and three grandchildren, Francis Rawl, III, Linnie Rawl, and Elizabeth Rawl, all of whom are Clemson graduates.
Champ McMillan Jones
Died July 13, 2010

Champ Jones was born January 12, 1919 in Dacusville, SC, a son of Henry Z. and Inez S. Jones. His father named him Champ after Champ Clark, US Representative from Missouri at the turn of the century. He attended the Dacusville High School and entered Clemson College in 1935. He was active in the Grange, serving as Chaplain and Treasurer, and was admitted into Kappa Alpha Sigma, the honorary agronomy fraternity. He graduated in 1939 with a BS degree in Agronomy and earned a MS in Soil Fertility from Cornell in 1940. He worked for the Soil Conservation Service until called to active duty in September of 1941.

Champ married Alma “Brooksie” Young on January 5, 1946. In September 1946 he accepted a job at Clemson teaching Farm Crops and Soils. He obtained his Doctorate in Plant Breeding from Michigan State in 1952, after which he took over as primary teacher of Genetics at Clemson, with some teaching of Plant Breeding. He retired in July, 1981, as Emeritus Professor of Agronomy.

Champ was a longtime member of the First Baptist Church in Clemson, serving on the Deacon Board and as Chairman of the Grounds Committee. His hobbies included gardening (especially growing roses) and Zoysia lawn maintenance. For many years his roses graced the banquet tables at his Class of '39 reunions.

Champ has been a loyal member of the class of 1939. He participated in all class activities and performed yeoman service as Necrologist for his Class of '39 after the death of classmate James Kelly in 1998.

In his later years Champ’s health deteriorated, which caused him and Brooksie to move into the extended care facility at Clemson Downs. After several years there, he died on the morning of Tuesday, July 13, 2010. A memorial service was held on the following Friday, conducted by Rev. Dr. Rusty Brock. Burial was in Cemetery Hill in Clemson.

Champ was survived by his wife and their three sons; two brothers, Joe K. Jones of Clemson and Emory W. Jones of Dacusville; two sisters, Martha Garrett of Fountain Inn and Nancy Freeman of Greenville; and grandchildren Meredith Jones, Champ Jones, III, Hank Jones, Tyler Jones, and Brooks Jones.
Clarence Wesley Rainey
Died November 5, 2010

Clarence was born in Anderson on February 21, 1917, a son of William M. and Essie B. Rainey. He went to a one-teacher school through the fifth grade, then to the Starr public schools. In 1934 he entered Anderson Junior College and transferred to Clemson in 1936. He did not participate in ROTC due to a heart murmur. He graduated in February, 1939 with a BS degree in Vocational Agricultural Education. He next taught Agriculture at Grays High School in Jasper for two years until becoming County Supervisor for Farm Security, USDA, in Abbeville County from 1941 to 1943.

Clarence served in the US Army from April 4, 1945 to the end of the war in 1946, and after his discharge he returned to his job as County Supervisor, working out of Spartanburg. On April 19, 1947 he married Annie Juanita Hicks of Iva, SC. In 1975 he was promoted to District Director with the Farmers Home Administration in Lexington, SC. In this position he had twelve counties under his supervision. He retired on January 1, 1978. In retirement he worked part-time as a fertilizer inspector with Clemson’s Fertilizer & Pesticide Department from 1980 to 1987.

Clarence grew up in the Starr Baptist Church, but after their marriage, he and Juanita became members of the Spartanburg Associated Reformed Presbyterian Church, where they were members for 60 years. He served as Sunday School teacher, Sunday School Superintendent, Church Treasurer, Chairman of the Mission Committee, Deacon, and Elder. While in Spartanburg he was a member of the West View Ruritan Club, serving at times as Secretary and President. From the time of his retirement, he delivered Meals on Wheels through 2005. He and Juanita worked together with the Scouts, the PTA, and other civic organizations.

Clarence Rainey died on Friday, November 5, 2010 in the Spartanburg Regional Medical Center. Funeral services were held at the Spartanburg Associated Reformed Presbyterian Church on the 8th, followed by entombment in Forest Lawn Memorial Park in Anderson. Survivors included his widow Juanita; their two sons John W. Rainey of Barnwell and Percy R. Rainey of Lexington; and two grandchildren, Cameron and Tripp Rainey.

Memorials may be made to his Spartanburg Presbyterian Church, 1801 Skyllyn Drive, Spartanburg, SC 29307 or World Witness Missions, One Cleveland Street, Greenville, SC 29601, or Mobile Meals Service, PO Box 461, Spartanburg, SC 29304.
Peter Mattison Mahon  
Died May 1, 2011

Pete Mahon was born in Williamston on August 11, 1917, a son of Douglas G. and Wakefield M. Mahon. He grew up in Calhoun Falls where he attended the public schools and worked in Mahon’s Drug Store cleaning, stocking and jerking sodas. He entered Clemson in 1935, where he was a member of the Sophomore Platoon, AIEE, and the International Relations Club. Pete graduated in 1939 with a BS degree in Electrical Engineering. After graduation he took a job with Seaboard Air-Line Railroad, working on automatic train control systems on tracks carrying the Silver Meteor and Silver Star from NY to Miami.

Come the war, and Pete Mahon served on active duty in the Army from January 1942 to February, 1945. He then worked in Calhoun Falls until recalled in 1951 for service in the Korean War and assigned to the 45th Infantry Division. Training for Korea began at Camp Polk, and in March of 1951 the division shipped out for Hokkaido, Japan for a continuation of their training. The move to Korea was made in December, 1951. The division served in the Yonchon-Chorwon area, and in sectors fronting Old Baldy, Pork Chop Hill, Heartbreak Ridge, and Luke’s Castle. Pete was relieved from active duty in 1952, having received the Bronze Star with V for meritorious service. He remained in the Reserves until 1959 when he retired with the rank of Captain.

Pete married Muriel Chandler of Brooklyn, WI in 1952. He began his professional engineering career with the Boeing Company in 1954. Initially he worked for Boeing’s Military Airplane Group in Seattle, WA and in 1960 was transferred to the Atlantic Test Range at what was to become Cape Kennedy. Here his Boeing project work included the Minuteman Missile Program and Systems Reliability of the Saturn V rocket. His name is recorded on the Apollo / Saturn Roll of Honor in the Smithsonian for the Apollo Moon Landing Program.

Pete lost his wife to cancer in 1967 and in 1971 married Bonnie Kennedy. In 1979 Pete and Bonnie returned to Seattle where he worked on ground installation on the Airborne Warning and Control System (AWACS) program. He retired in 1979 and they moved back to Florida. Pete was an active member and instructor in the Power Squadron, and enjoyed teaching advanced piloting. He was a proud alumnus of Clemson, and a loyal member of the Class of 1939. He and Bonnie were long-time members of Faith Presbyterian Church on Merritt Island.

Pete Mahon died on Sunday, May 1, 2011. He was cremated. A memorial service was held at the Faith Presbyterian Church.
Norman Jeff McFaddin Sr.
Died Wednesday, May 25, 2011

Norm was born on August 12, 1917 in Sardenia, a son of Jeff D. and Lola K. McFaddin. He entered Clemson in 1935. At Clemson he was a member of the Freshman and Sophomore Platoons, the Grange, the 4-H Club, and the Dairy Club. He was inducted into Kappa Alpha Sigma, the honorary Agronomy Club. He graduated in 1939 with a BS degree in Agronomy, then worked in the Botany Laboratory, and studied for and received a BS degree in Agricultural Education. He worked for a time for the Horry County Agricultural Agent before being promoted to the state A.A.A. office.

He was called into active duty with the Army on July 2, 1942. While in service, he met Bemess Mann, whom he married on November 4, 1942. With the 506th Parachute Infantry Regiment, he was wounded in Holland, was in on the capture of Hitler's Eagle Nest, and was discharged on Nov. 6, 1944.

With Bemess and his son whom he had never before seen, he returned to his father's farm in Sardinia where he worked until acquiring a farm of his own. In addition to farming, he taught agriculture to farm veterans and then to high school students at Gable High School, all the while operating the Gable Cannery.

Norm left agriculture to become the Clarendon County Veteran Affairs Officer. After four years in this position, he had a heart attack. He recovered, but was later wounded while on a National Guards trip to Fort McClellan. Two years of treatment and cure preceded his retirement.

Norm was an Elder in the Sardinia Presbyterian Church, and served ten years on the Clarendon County Conservation Board. He was also a loyal participant in Class of '39 activities.

Norman McFaddin, Sr. died on Wednesday, May 25, 2011 in his home in Sardinia. Funeral services were held on Sunday in the Sardinia Presbyterian Church, followed by burial in the McFaddin-Black River Cemetery.

Survivors included his daughter, Connie M. Gamble of Sardinia; three sons, Norman, Jr. of Commerce, GA, William H. of Richmond, VA, and Jonathon S. of Sardinia; nine grandchildren; and twelve great-grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to the Sardinia Presbyterian Church, 1386 Garland Road, New Zion, SC 29111.
Obituaries

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whose deaths have become known to us

since our last reunion

in June 2010
Mildred Kelley Hughes
Died June 12, 2008

Mildred Kelley was born in Darlington County on 20 October, 1922, a daughter of Dozie and Lucille C. Kelley. Her father died only a month after she was born, so she was reared by her mother. She attended the public schools in Darlington, and trained to be a nurse. When WWII came along, she served as an Registered Nurse in the US Army Medical Corps.

Mildred and Fred Hughes were married in 1949. In the years that followed, they had four children including Melanie, born in 1950, Fred, Jr. born in 1952, Mary, born in 1954, and Louanne, born in 1955. During their school years, Mildred was a member of the PTA. She was active in the church, and enjoyed memberships in the Anita Way Circle and the Garden Club.

Mildred Hughes died on Thursday, June 12, 2008. Funeral services were held on Sunday the 15th at the Grace United Methodist Church, with burial following in Carolina Memorial Gardens, Charleston. She was survived by her husband; a son, Frederick Hughes, Jr. of Marietta, GA; three daughters, Melanie Hughes and Louanne H. Goodrich, both of Charleston, and Kay H. Witt of Strasburg, VA; four grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.
Dorothy Nutt Heatwole
Died May 14, 2009

Dorothy Nutt was born in Washington, DC in 1921, a daughter of Henrietta Nutt. She was raised in Northern Virginia and graduated from Washington-Lee High School in Arlington, VA. She married Thomas Heatwole on July 4, 1940, with whom she had three daughters.

Dorothy was primarily a homemaker, but at times she worked for Potomac Electric Power Company and AARP.

She was an avid square dancer, and prominent in the northern Virginia area as a round dance leader. She was a member of Lioness and Daughters of the American Revolution.

Dorothy Nutt Heatwole died on Thursday, May 14, 2009 after a short illness at Hilltop House in Winchester, VA. A memorial service was held at Burnt Factory UMC in Stephenson, VA on May 27.

She was survived by her three daughters, Christine H. Kennicott of Berryville, VA, Judith H. Meyerhoeffer of Falls Church, VA and Linda H. Griffin of Manassas Park, VA; and two grandsons, Chris Griffin of Bristow, VA and Tommy Meyerhoeffer of Falls Church, VA. She was preceded in death by her husband Thomas Heatwole.
Elizabeth Mathias Harmon  
Died January 27, 2010

Libby Mathias was born in Lexington, SC on November 19, 1917, a daughter of Andrew J. and Miley T. Mathias. She graduated from Lexington High School and trained in the Columbia Hospital Nursing School. She was married to Mayo Harmon.

Mrs. Harmon was a lifelong member of St. Stephen’s Lutheran Church, and of the Women of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. She loved growing flowers and cooking for her family. She and Mayo lived at 104 Elm Street in Lexington, where she made a loving home for their family.

Elizabeth Harmon died on Wednesday, January 27, 2010. Funeral services were held at St. Stephen’s on Saturday, with burial following in the church cemetery.

She was survived by her husband Mayo Harmon; their daughter Marilyn H. Boyd and husband Norman; a granddaughter Amy Boyd Berry and her husband Chris; great-grandsons Will and Landon; her sister Louise Amick and husband Leland; and her sister Helen Vickers, all of Lexington. She was predeceased by two brothers, A.J. and Bordie Mathias and her sister Alice Mae Elkins.

Memorials may be made to St. Stephen’s Lutheran Church Capital Campaign Fund, 119 North Church Street, Lexington, sc 29072.
Jeannette Pate Copeland  
Died March 29, 2010  

Jeannette was born on August 10, 1921 in Darlington County, a daughter of William L. and Octavia P. Pate. She attended the public schools in Lamar from 4th grade through High School, graduating in the class of 1938. She attended Coker College and won the Chemistry Award her senior year. She graduated in 1942 and a week later married James Copeland on June 6, 1942. Jeannette and Jim celebrated their 65th wedding anniversary on June 6th, 2007.

Jeannette taught the 5th grade in Columbia Public Schools for eight years, but when Jim had established himself following his military service, she resigned and concentrated on making a home for Jim and their daughter. With Jim, she was an active member of the Shandon United Methodist Church for over 50 years.

Mrs. Copeland died on Monday, March 29, 2010 in Wildwood Downs Long Term Care Center. Funeral services were held on Friday, April 2 at Shandon UMC. A private family burial service at Fort Jackson National Cemetery, Columbia preceded the memorial ceremony.

She was survived by her husband James; their daughter Barbara Suddeth of Columbia; their grandson Jedd Suddeth and wife Jessica of Charleston; granddaughter Meghan Hesley and husband Josh of Atlanta; her brother Bill Pate and wife Carolyn of Clover; and her brother-in-law Neil and wife Berta of Seaford, DE.

Memorials may be made to Shandon United Methodist Church, 3407 Devine Street, Columbia, SC 29205, or Palmetto Health Hospice, 1400 Pickens Street, Columbia, SC 29201, or Heathwood Hall Episcopal School, 3000 South Beltline Boulevard, Columbia, SC 29201.
Virginia Williams Anderson  
Died May 31, 2010

Daughter of former South Carolina Governor Ransome J. Williams and Virginia F. A. Williams, Virginia was born on December 9, 1917 in Mullins, SC. She graduated from Mullins High School in 1935, Coker College in 1939, and taught high school in Springfield, SC from 1939 to 1940 and Lake City from 1940 to 1942. Virginia married Army Air Force Lieutenant William D. Anderson, Jr. on December 5, 1942 in Mullins First Baptist Church.

During WWII she and William lived in San Antonio and Waco, Texas, where William served as a B-25 instructor pilot.

Following the war they lived for awhile in Greensboro, NC until moving to Myrtle Beach in 1948. Virginia was a charter member and first woman deacon of Ocean View Baptist Church. Active in the church choir and the Women’s Missionary Union, she taught the adult women’s Sunday school class for a number of years.

Virginia passed away at her home in Myrtle Beach on Monday, May 31, 2010. She was interred in Southeastern Memorial Gardens in Myrtle Beach on Wednesday, June 2, followed by a memorial service at Ocean View Baptist church with Drs. Stephen Cromer and J. Kirk Lawton, Jr. officiating.

Survivors include her two sons and their wives, William D., III and Bonnie Anderson of Wadmalaw Island, and Col. Ransome Anderson of North Myrtle Beach; grandson Timothy A. Crews-Anderson and wife Vickie of Chicago, IL; granddaughter Kimberly Virginia Anderson and husband Ian of Charleston; and great-granddaughter Abigail Crews-Anderson of Chicago. She was predeceased by her sister Nancy R. Wilson of Lake City.

Memorials may be made to Ocean View Baptist Church, 7300 North Kings Highway, Myrtle Beach, SC 29572.
Laura Pruitt Shealy
Died July 19, 2010

Laura Pruitt was born in Anderson on December 22, 1918, a daughter of Riley W. and Annie Laurie Pruitt. After completing her schooling in the public schools in Anderson, she married Carroll Shealy on September 12, 1942, with whom she had two sons. She was a homemaker and a member of the Holy Trinity Lutheran Church.

Laura Shealy died on Monday, July 19, 2010 in the AnMed Health Medical Center. A graveside service was held on Thursday at Forest Lawn Memorial Park, conducted by The Reverend Paul Slice.

Survivors included her daughter-in-law, Phyllis G. Shealy, and a grandson Charles R. Shealy, II, both of Anderson; a sister Frances P. Welch; and brother William R. Pruitt. She was predeceased by her husband Col. Carroll D. Shealy and by both of their sons, Carroll D. Shealy Jr. and Charles R. Shealy.

A message of condolence may be sent by visiting <www.mcdougaldfuneralhome.com>.
Dorothy Bramlett Talbert
Died November 2, 2010

Dot Bramlett was born on May 18, 1918 in Laurens County, a daughter of Elmore G. and Daisy M. Bramlett. She graduated from Laurens High School in 1935, and from the University of South Carolina School of Pharmacy in 1939. She had the distinction of being the only female in the Pharmacy school at the time. At USC she was a member of Damas, the Euphrosynean Literary Society, Sigma Alpha Zeta Chemical Society, and was president of the Carolina Pharmaceutical Society. She took first place in the Campus Beauties section of the 1938 Garnet & Black annual.

While still in school, Dot had a part-time job with the Gervais Street Pharmacy. After graduation she worked as a pharmacist from 1939 to 1942 with Eckerds Drug store. Her next job was as a junior statistician with the S.C. Dept. of Public Welfare. Dot married Bookie Talbert on March 26, 1943. When he returned from military service in 1946, she left the Welfare Dept. and worked thereafter until his retirement as his receptionist and general factotum. She was a member of St. Paul’s Lutheran Church in Columbia.

As an honorary member of the Class of 1939, Dot faithfully participated in all class functions. She undertook the daunting task of inducing the widows to attend the 2007 and subsequent reunions, with notable success. She also served as a valued member of the Class of ’39 Reunion Committee.

Dorothy Talbert died on Tuesday, November 2, 2010 from an embolism following a fall. Private graveside services were held in Elmwood Cemetery. Surviving were her son Thomas Talbert, Jr. and wife Carol of Ballentine, SC; and grandson William Talbert, III. She was predeceased by her husband, four brothers and one sister.
Mary Ann Price Kirton
Died November 21, 2010

Mary Ann Price was born in Morehead Cty, NC on February 10, 1924, a daughter of Edward C. Price, Jr. and Leone S. Herbert. She grew up in Kingsport, TN, where she met her future husband, John Jones Kirton.

Mary Ann graduated from Fassifern School for Girls in Hendersonville, NC, and St. Mary’s Junior College in Raleigh. She married John Kirton and they had one daughter. Mary Ann was an artistically talented lady with a passion for ballet and tap dancing, classical piano and opera. She was a member of the Junior League of Kingsport and the Delphian Club.

In her later years she suffered from macular degeneration. Mrs. Kirton died on Monday, November 21, 2010 at her home in Kingsport. A memorial service was held on Tuesday, December 6 at St. Paul Episcopal Church in Kingsport, followed by interment in the Oak Hill Memorial Park, Kingsport, TN.

She was survived by her daughter, Mary Herbert Kirton Love; and her son-in-law, Charles Eskridge Love of New York, NY.

Condolences may be emailed to <info@hamlettdobson.com>.

Memorial checks, made out to Duke University, may be sent to the Duke University Medical Center, attn: Dr. Michael Hauser, Depts. of Medicine and Ophthalmology, Box 3445, Durham, NC 27701.
Evelyn Woodham Kee  
Died November 27, 2010

Evelyn Woodham was born in 1921 in Hartsville, a daughter of Josie and Margaret Woodham. She attended the Hartsville public schools, and graduated in 1939 from Winthrop College with a two year Business degree. On graduation, she took a job with the former Rock Hill National Bank. She married John Martin Kee of Rock Hill, where they resided until moving into the Glenaire Retirement Center in Cary, NC in 1993.

Evelyn was a member of the First Presbyterian Church of Rock Hill, and later of the Cornerstone Presbyterian Church of Cary.

Evelyn Kee died on Saturday, November 27 in her retirement home in Cary. A memorial service was held in the retirement home on Tuesday, followed the next day by a graveside service at the Forest Hills Cemetery in Rock Hill.

She was survived by her son John M. Kee, Jr and his wife Joyce of Rock Hill; daughters Margaret K. Carr and husband Jerry of Raymond, MS, Susan K. Eller and husband Jim of Fuquay Varina, and Nancy K. Garris, also of Fuquay Varina; three grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren. She was also survived by a brother and two sisters. She was preceded in death by her husband.

Memorials may be made to the Glenaire Foundation, 4000 Glenaire Circle, Cary, NC 27511.
Kathryn Hanger Staley
Died January 8, 2011

Kathryn (Kay) Hanger was born in Middletown, OH on October 30, 1922, a daughter of S. Ernest and Lillian P. Hanger. She grew up on a small farm that had been in the family since the 1830's. Her sense of permanency took a blow when her mother died unexpectedly in 1940, and Kay became an assistant to her sister in the management of the household. Kay graduated from West Elkton High School that same year and then entered nurse's training at the Middletown hospital.

Kay worked as an RN for a time before joining the Red Cross preliminary to entering the Nurse's Corps in the US Army. She served for nineteen months in the hospital at Wright-Patterson AFB, where she met and married a dashing young pilot also stationed there. Kay and Bud Staley were both released from the Army in 1945. They settled in Middletown and began their family. When their son entered kindergarten, Kay took up a career in part-time nursing that lasted for 30 years.

Kay's father died in 1955, and Kay and Bud moved into the family farm in Preble County. She and her sister were active in Gratis Homemakers, their churches, the Preble County Historical Society and Greenbush Ladies Aid. After her daughter was born in 1960 and entered school, Kay became a band parent and 4H director. She enjoyed gardening, canning the fruits of the garden, and giving dinners for friends and family. During this time she invited an aging aunt to live with them where she could be cared for.

In the late 1990's circumstances forced them to sell the farm and move into the Mount Pleasant Retirement community near Monroe, OH. After her husband's death in 2007, Kay suffered declining health and increasing problems with dementia, and died on Saturday, January 8, 2011. She is buried alongside her husband at Fairmount Cemetery in West Elkton, OH.
Ruth Benson Hutchinson
Died May 4, 2011

Ruth was born in Simpsonville on February 6, 1918, a daughter of Thomas L. and Lillian S. Benson. She grew up in Columbia and attended the Columbia public school. She entered Winthrop in 1935 and graduated in 1939 with BA degrees in History and Education. Three years later she married Don Hutchinson. While Don was in the service, she taught school in Columbia and Charlotte, NC, and after his discharge from the army, she taught in Dedham, MA, and Marietta, GA.

Their first child, Patricia, came in 1948. She was followed by Thomas in 1951 and Jane in 1954.

Ruth was an active member of the Presbyterian Church, serving as Elder and Sunday School teacher. After Don retired, they moved to Cumming, GA, and she became active in the Methodist Church. Ruth enjoyed bridge, swimming, and flower gardening. She enjoyed accompanying Don to his Clemson class Reunions, and was an enthusiastic participant in class activities.

In 2010, she and Don moved into in an Assisted Living facility in Cumming, GA.

Ruth Benson Hutchinson died suddenly on Wednesday, May 4, 2011. A memorial service was held at Cumming First United Methodist Church on May 11.

Ruth was survived by her husband; two daughters, Patricia and husband Lewis Stafford, and Jane and husband Dave Adams; one son, Thomas and wife Debra Hutchinson; eight grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Memorials may be sent to the Cumming First United Methodist Church.
Ruth Benson Hutchinson was born in Greenville on March 11, 1926, to Charles L. and Lillian A. Benson. She attended the Columbus public school. She graduated in 1949 with a BA degree in mathematics. Three years later she married her husband, Don W. Hutchinson. She taught school in Columbus and at other places. From the army, she taught in Mississippi.

Her first child, Patricia, came in 1949. She was born in 1954 and in 1954.

Ruth was active in several of the Buckeyeview School staff, including teacher, principal, and secretary. She became active in the local community, serving on several boards, including the library, and serving as a volunteer at the hospital.

In 2010, she and Don moved into an apartment in Lima, Ohio.

Ruth Benson Hutchinson died suddenly on Wednesday. Her memorial service was held at Calvary Baptist Church on May 14th.

She was survived by her husband, Don, and her sister, Janie, and husband, Doug, and her brother, John, and wife, Debbie, and Hutchinson, and eight grandchildren.

Memorial contributions may be sent to the Calvary Baptist Church.
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Plus wives of all deceased classmates

## Deceased

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Reunion Committee

A Standing Committee
of the Class of ’39

Joel & Fran Brawley
Champ & Brooksie Jones
Elliott & Greta Loyless
Kinly & Cathy Sturkie
David & Molly Senn
Dot Talbot
Tee & Betty Senn (Ex Officio)
Chip Egan, Chairman

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

Deceased
Heritage Garden Committee

A Standing Committee of the Class of ’39

Ben Anderson ’70
Bobby Avent
Bill Carlisle
J. C. Cook¹
Walter Cox
Frank O’Neal
David Senn ’75
Jim Sweeny
Chief Shepherd, Rutgers ’67
Tommy Thomson
Bud Webb ’55
Mary Welch²
Michele Welch ’89
Russ Wolfe
Bill Zeigler
Frank Cox ’68 Chairman
Tee Senn (Ex Officio)

Shep Shepherd (Emeritus)
George Williams (Honorary)

¹ Son of Clinton Cook’39
² Daughter of Joel Radcliffe ’39

The function of the Heritage Garden Committee is to oversee the design, construction, and long-time maintenance in coordination with appropriate University administrative operations.

Deceased
Hepatitis C Ag Committee
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The purpose of the Hepatitis C Ag Committee is to oversee

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The

Faculty Selection

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Class of 1939

Award for Excellence

For the year 2010

See page 29 for prior years.
Award for Excellence - 2010

Melanie M. Cooper
Chair, Engineering and Science Education
Distinguished Alumni Professor

B.Sc. Chemistry - Univ. of Manchester, England - 1975
Ph. D. Organic Chemistry - Univ. of Manchester, England - 1978

Postdoctoral Research Associate - Clemson University, Clemson, SC - 1978 - 1980
Visiting Instructor - Clemson University, Clemson, SC - 1980 - 1981
Visiting Asst. Professor - Furman University, Greenville, SC - 1981 - 1984
Visiting Instructor - Clemson University, Clemson, SC - 1984 - 1987
Assistant Professor - Clemson University, Clemson, SC - 1987 - 1993
Associate Professor - Clemson University, Clemson, SC - 1993 - 1997
Professor of Chemistry - Clemson University, Clemson, SC - 1997 - 2001
Professor of Education - Clemson University, Clemson, SC - 2002 - date
Alumni Professor of Chemistry - Clemson University, Clemson, SC - 2002 - date
Interim Chair, Eng. & Sci. Ed. - Clemson University, Clemson, SC - 2008

Dr. Cooper has an extraordinary ability to utilize her classroom experiences in the development of research projects which she in turn uses to obtain grants from public sources to fund further research. This happy and unique ability has already resulted in over $5,400,000 in research money for Clemson, thus contributing strongly to Clemson’s position in the hierarchy of public universities. It has also made her a much sought after speaker at universities throughout the western hemisphere, including in Chili, Columbia, Mexico, and Puerto Rico, not to mention universities throughout the United States. Her research-based publications number nearly half a hundred. She is truly a multi-talented person, and it is difficult to see how she has found the time to take on the outside activities that were the basis of her Award for Excellence, but she has, attesting to her ability to organize her time.

Dr. Cooper has focused her extra-curricular activities on making the pioneering results of her research on science education widely available to college educators, through service on professional committees and lectures to professional bodies throughout academia.
A Very Special Event

The Faculty Senate invites you and your guest to join in a celebration to honor the Clemson University Great Class of ’39 on Monday, February 7, 2011 6:00 - 8:00 pm
Tuesday, February 8, 2011 at the Bell Tower

FS prexy William Surver welcomes the assemblage.

Acting for Pres. Barker, Provost Helms presents the Bell Tower watercolor to Melanie Cooper.

Below: Class president Senn prepares to congratulate Dr. Cooper and to present to her traditional gifts of a replica of the bell suitable for use as bookends, and a copy of the class history.

Acting for the Faculty Senate, Surver gives Cooper two Award for Excellence certificates for display in home and office.

Dr. Cooper ends the ceremony with the bell ringing - in her ears, and poses for a photo op with husband Fred Holder.
Attendees

From left to right

Front row:

David L. Senn
Robert M. Sweeny

Second Row:

Raymond C. Turner
Cathy T. Sturkie
Taze L. Senn
Melanie M. Cooper
James O. Sweeny
Joel V. Brawley

Back row:

Alfred P. Wheeler
Clifton S. M. Egan
William T. Pennington, Jr.
D. Kinly Sturkie
Cecil O. Huey
Alma Bennett
Class Members and Honoraries at February 2011 Bell Tower Event.
39ers at the 2010 Reunion
The Class of '39 Founders Garden
Honoring Thomas Green Clemson

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$100,000  -  Thomas Green Clemson Statue

$50,000  -  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 'Class Member

Brochure prepared by James O. Sweeny '39
Edited by Dr. Raymond C. Turner
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