

STOWERS FAMILIES NEWSLETTER

August 27, 1993

Cousins

I would like to pay tribute to Robert E. Stowers and his wife Sarah Elizabeth (Betty) McFarland Stowers. Bob was born May 24, 1899 in Rockdale Co, Georgia. Betty was born in Belmont Co, Ohio September 25, 1910. They were married in 1938 in Arlington VA.

They have been stalwart supporters of the Stowers Families of America and are avid attendees at all of our reunions, and are part of our executive council. It sure makes for a good time to see BOB and BETTY... The Stowers Families of America Salute you and



congratulate you, and we look forward to our next reunion. They have been married for fifty-five years. Their address is 1175 La Vista Rd. N.E. Apt 208, Atlanta, GA 30324. Drop them a Card... Thanks Bob & Betty.

Greetings cousins, I have been remiss in my obligations to you, this letter should have been written in May. Bear with me, working shift work has really become a burden for me. I am looking forward to retirement sometime next year.

REUNIONS: The National Stowers reunion will be held at Russellville, Arkansas on the weekend of the 4th of July. It will be hosted by Lloyd and Rebecca Stowers. Plan on being there and having a grand time. They have been making plans since last July at our Georgia Get-to-gether, when they volunteered to host the event. There is an enclosed letter on the back. Fred Stowers wishes to apologize to all the faithful cousins who attend the annual reunion in Georgia. He is in the middle of remodeling the Home Place and as he said it is a mess. He says to plan on one next year. I talked to Ora Stowers a few days ago and she said the Reunion in Virginia went well and everyone who missed it, I can say from experience, missed a great event and some good eating too. They have a committee who takes care of everything in Virginia. I talked to Freeman in Tennessee and he said they had a good Reunion. Freeman and his daughters (Carolyn and Janet) host and cook for their annual event.

VOLUME FIVE: We are still gathering information and family sheets and pictures and stories for volume five. Please send me all the information you have and also **UPDATES** on the ones in the books, there are lots of info you have that will update our books, please gather it and include the page number and we will include this in our next publishing.

Irving Stowers of Livermore California has a computer program format to update any data in the books. He has volunteered to help us on Volume five. He sent me a sample and I think it is great. We will incorporate it in volume five. Help us by sending your information. Thanks...

CARDS AND LETTERS: The success and continuation of this family organization depends on our communicating with each other and the rest of the Stowers clan around these United States. So please write, send cards, pictures and news events and obituaries and even donations. We usually have on hand enough money to handle these newsletters but it is strictly donations which keep it being mailed. Some letters I have received this year were from; Minnie Hammond, Narvin (Pete) Stowers, Ed of St Louis, Ruth Lemuth, Herb and Ethel who moved to Oregon, Irving Stowers, Nettie Stowers of Griffithsville, Roger Stowers of Wisconsin, Karen Woody, Amy in

France, Mabeth Summers, Wesley in Virginia, Reef Egger of Arizona, Henry & Ann, Willis and Rebecca, Fred Stowers, Janet Turner, Virginia Gossling, Glen and Jan of Ohio, Ann Moore of Kansas, William of Indiana, and Johnny Ray Stowers of Minnesota. Thanks to all for making my year.

Newsletter being RETURNED... I have returned letters each printing and mailing for incorrect addresses, main reason no forwarding address and I would like your help. If you move or your address is changed please let me know. We want to keep in touch, it is up to you.

OBITUARIES:

KENNETH I STOWERS 79 years old of Lakeland, FL died Mar 12, 1993, surviving wife Virginia, sons; Alan, Kim brothers; Thomas, Wilson, Paul, Carl, Sister Judy Adkins, four Grandchildren, two great Grandchildren.

CECIL ROBINETTE BRUCE, 90 years old of Bastain, VA, died Nov 24, 1992, she is survived by husband Guy, and was the daughter of Rufus and Elizabeth Jane Stowers. Cousins and relatives include Jessie Johnson, Josephene King, Sarah Pauley, Lorryne Curry and Ola Martin and Ralph Fox.

HAVEN LEE STOWERS, 94 years of age, died October 8, 1992, she was a native of Giles Co, VA. Her parents William and Gittie Alice Link Stowers, sisters; Mae Smith, Irene Butts, sisters-in-laws; Golda S, and Mrs Arthur Stowers. Haven Lee never married.

CHARLES I STOWERS Sr, 86 years of age, died on January 7, 1993, survived by his wife Thelma, Sons Dick Jr, Robert, daughters; Thelma and Sandra. Charles was an avid supporter of our WV reunions. We have common ancestors going back two generations of him, and four generations of mine.

GEORGE WASHINGTON STOWERS, 90 years old, died October 8, 1992, survived by sons Narvin (Pete), Paul, Douglas, Gary, George W Jr, William, daughters; Mary, Elizabeth, Dorothy, brothers; Charles, Kenneth, and Edward, sisters; Clara Raggad, Helen Sherman, Elizabeth Dawkins, and Ada Brooks, 28 grandchildren, and 32 Great Grandchildren.

ELMER LEE FOX, died April 4, 1993, He was 82 years old. Elmer was the husband of Beulah Fox, one of our Vice Presidents in Virginia. Our sympathies go out to Beulah.

BELOW IS A LIST SENT TO ME BY ORA STOWERS

Nannie Vaughn Stowers died August 11, 1992, from Tazewell VA.

James H Harmon, died August 1992 from Bluefield.

Elmer W Roland, died September 28 1992 from Princeton WV.

Millie Irene Bourne, died October 17, 1992, 87 years old of Tazewell, VA.

Marie Stowers Lambert, died Sept 11, 1992, 84 years of age in Wythe Co.

Cecil Robinette Bruce, died November 24, 1992, age 91, Bland Co VA.

Cardie Stowers Bane Meadows died Dec 30, 1992, Pearisburg, VA.

Andrew P Bowling died March 22, 1993, 91 years of age in Bluefield VA.

Beulah Bain Stowers, died March 4, 1993, 84 years old in Bluefield.

John Martin Stowers, Jr, died May 30, 1993, Roderfield, WV.

Charlotte Virginia Scott, died May 10, 1993, 80 years of age, Bland VA.

Harry N Fogglesong, died June 19, 1993 in Pearisburg VA.

Robert T. Stowers, the backbone of our Organization, of whom we all owe a debt of gratitude for the work and devotion he has put into our family, is in ill health, Bob is 85 years of age and I know he would appreciate you dropping him a card or letter, his address is: 4761 Parker Ave, Sacramento, California 95820. Speaking of next year's reunion, he said "I will be there." We all Love you Bob and Nettie

the Pres

Ken Stowers
August 21, 1993

LETTER FROM Willis Lloyd Stowers:

THE STOWERS FAMILIES REUNION JULY, 3 1994
RUSSELLVILLE, ARKANSAS

You all start planning NOW--you all hear! Come to the "NATURAL STATE" for a great gathering of the Stowers families... Lloyd and Rebecca Stowers will host this 1994 National Reunion. It was thought that Sunday July 3rd would be the best time spread in this long weekend holiday. Time for travel, meeting and visiting and sightseeing in this beautiful and historical area.

Russellville is on Interstate 40 and scenic Arkansas Hwy 7. This locates you midway between Little Rock and Fort Smith (East and West) and Hot Springs and Branson, MO (North and South). There are many Motels, great camp grounds with all amenities.

The Meeting site for the Reunion will be in the Old Post Road Riverside Area (Recreational Center on the Arkansas River Bank).

Lloyd and Rebecca will be providing the Sunday dinner on our Big Reunion Day. They will be mailing to you all the details and information in early Spring, 1994.

REMEMBER NOW!! YOU ALL PLAN FOR OUR 1994 REUNION!!