

Alderman Historical Association

First Reunion Held in 1928
H. Sidney Bland, III - President

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**REUNION TIME IS JUST AROUND THE CORNER --
PLEASE SEE THE ENCLOSED REGISTRATION FORM**

In Memorial

In December 2008, we lost our long time patron and planner for the Alderman reunion. In fact, he had become the face of the organization. After a period of declining health, James Alderman Ezzell passed away. He was the voice that greeted you when you called to register. He was the one who secured the rights to the Alderman book after Parkers death to ensure its ongoing availability. He was the one who anxiously awaited the arrival of those distant kin that he had never met, yet gladly helped with travel arrangements. He was the one that secured the title to the Alderman cemetery and turned it over to the Association. He was also the one that always asked if we had enough in the collection and usually added a little more. We have big shoes to fill. It will take several of us to fill all those roles. His presence will be greatly missed, especially at the next reunion. But we will carry on, just as he would want.



Here he is at the last reunion. Standing beside him is his son, Grover Ezzell, past president of the organization and his brother, Ray Ezzell.

Meeting notes from the 2008 Meeting

President H. Sidney Bland, III called the meeting to order. Thanks were given for the people that had traveled, kept the reunion going and bringing their artifacts to share with others. We had photos of the cemetery project. We had Jack Westberry's new update for the Alderman book (still available from Jack).



The Alderman line, properly documented, gains admission to numerous historical societies and the reunion is the time to share with others.

As an example, this year Pansy Alderman Elliot brought her framed Magna Carta Dames, Colonial Dames, Daughters of the American Revolution. They gathered great interest at the table.

If you are planning to attend a reunion please bring old photos, wills and any organization that the Alderman lineage has allowed you to join. Also bring a willingness to share with others how you did it! Rachel Bland, 4th grader, daughter of President H. Sidney Bland, brought the family tree she did for school. It's never to early to start learning those family lines.



Old Business—

- No new reports on a web page.
- Pictures were available of the completed fence project and repaired headstone.

New Business--

We started our new business by recognizing some special categories of attendees. We had fun prizes to give out to each of them.

- Elders: James Ezzell & A.B. Johnson
- Youth: Christa & Rachel Bland
- First Time Attendees: Mark Rogers

Election of Officers. By unanimous vote, the current President, H. Sidney Bland, III, and Secretary/Treasurer Susan Corliss-Bland were re-elected.

Recognition for donations mailed in:

Carol Ann Morrison
Dr. C Wayne Alderman
Mazine Winstead
James Alderman
Robert Alderman
Betty Saunders
Mark Cobb

With no other business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned. The next meeting will be Saturday June 27th, 2009. Hope to see your smiling face then!

Susan Corliss-Bland, Secretary



Reunion attendees - 2008

2009 guest speaker will be Timothy Boyd, Education Technician, Moore's Creek Battlefield.

Alderman Family Gravesites ----

After the reunion last year, we headed out on a gravesite quest. Sidney remembered at least 2



other cemeteries that Mr. Ezzell had shown him. We fought briars, brambles and bugs to research the Alderman connections. With some calls and queries, we found two cemeteries and began taking GPS readings of the headstones. Several counties are in the process of recording the GPS readings of cemeteries and have that available in later printings of directories. Currently you must have someone that knows the area to even find some of these headstones. In the future, this will be expanded and made available to any interested member of the society.

One interesting surprise was finding the headstone for

Daniel Alderman, son of David & Jemima Hall Alderman (He heads column 15 in the Alderman book). Since I thought he was part of the group that departed for Georgia, why was a tombstone for him in Duplin County? Looking more closely at the writing: "In memory of" led me to believe that this was placed by children from the early marriage(s), while he continued to Georgia with his later family. But, quoting from the Alderman book, pg 278...

"Daniel, the eldest son of David Alderman, was married four times. His first wife was Nancy Ann, a daughter of George Newton and his wife, Nancy Ann Moore, whose father came directly to North Carolina from Ireland. George Newton was a Revolutionary soldier and fought in the Battle of Moore's Creek on February 27, 1776. Daniel Alderman lived at or near the place where James Harvey Alderman (15-8) lived in later years. ***Daniel did not go south with his father in 1816 as did other members of the family.*** He died at the age of 83 and was buried in the family cemetery on the brow of a hill not far from the home. A substantial monument marks the grave and there are many other neat markers in this old family burying ground."



We already offer tours of the of the John Alderman & Mary Cashwell cemetery. Now, if you are descended from this Daniel we can add it too. We will be on the lookout for other family sites as well.

Alderman Cemetery Listing with GPS Coordinates

Name	Cemetery	Birth	Death	Notes	GPS
John Alderman, Sr	Old Alderman			Rev war plaque	34 45.974 78 10.470
John Alderman, Jr	Old Alderman				34 45.975 78 10.468
Ann Alderman	Old			Wife of John jr	34 45.975 78 10.468
Susan Alderman	Old			Daughter of John Sr	
Walter Williams Alderman	Alderman Rd	7/27/1856	11/19/1945		34 43.297 78 6.490
John David Alderman	Alderman Rd	8/8/1866	2/18/1946		34 43.297 78 6.490
Dorothy Eliza Alderman	Alderman Rd	1/19/1906	9/2/1925	Dau of Thos F & Maribland Alderman	34 43.297 78 6.490
Maribland Wallace	Alderman Rd	1/22/1884	11/9/1908	Wife of Thomas F Alderman	34 43.297 78 6.490

Thomas Franklin Alderman	Alderman Rd	10/3/1972	4/26/1945		34 43.297 78 6.490
Daniel Alderman	Alderman Rd		1/25/1857	82y 9m 27d	34 43.297 78 6.490
Elizabeth	Alderman Rd	4/25/1833	6/18/1860	Wife of JH Alderman	34 43.297 78 6.490
James H Alderman	Alderman Rd	3/24/1828	8/17/1900		34 43.297 78 6.490
Dorothy Eliza Boney	Alderman Rd	2/4/1838	8/19/1920	Wife of James H Alderman	34 43.297 78 6.490
Isla Morgan Alderman	Alderman Rd	6/27/1863	2/28/1869	Daughter of JH & DE Alderman	34 43.297 78 6.490
No name	Alderman Rd	11/1/1870		Infant dau of JH & DE Alderman	34 43.297 78 6.490

Treasurers Report -- Alderman Historical Association 2008

July 2007 balance	548.92
Interim Contributions	+17.00
Balance June 2008	565.92
Paid out \$30 for change at reunion	-30.00
Reunion pre-registrations received	<u>345.00</u>
Pre reunion available balance	880.92
Repair of headstone	-118.56
Money received at reunion	279.00
Cost of lunch	<u>-352.00</u>
<i>Carryover to next year</i>	689.36

Submitted by Susan Corliss-Bland, Treasurer (NOTE: no interest being paid on this account.)

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