

Alderman Historical Association

First Reunion Held in 1928
H. Sidney Bland - President

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*****AHA Mission Statement*****

To honor our ancestral lineage and foster the continued efforts of John Thomas Alderman in compiling and recording the history of the Southern Branch of the Alderman family. We will do this by honoring Alderman descendants with an annual reunion to allow sharing of genealogical information, maintaining relationships with other Alderman family groups, the care and maintenance of the John Alderman, Sr. cemetery and other sites as may be deemed needed by the Association Board of Directors.

90th Anniversary Reunion—June 23, 2018

Evergreen Baptist Church – Delway, NC

Reservation Form Enclosed

We hope all of you receiving this newsletter will try to attend this year's meeting. Our attendance over the past couple of years has been down and we would really like to see some of our Association members become more active. Each year we try to have worthwhile speakers along with individual members bringing "show and tell" items related to the Alderman family history in an effort to foster interest in the Association.

GUEST SPEAKER

Our speaker for this year is **Victoria Jordan**, who is a genetic genealogist. She is working on plotting the colonial families of North Carolina, and if some Alderman descendants have taken the Family Tree DNA test, they would be a great addition to her database.

A LITTLE FAMILY HISTORY

One or More Georgia Alderman's

Several years ago, while reading an article I noticed a brief mention of a book and website about a Georgia family, a Griner Family, of whom I knew nothing about. The article mentioned that the Griner Family was connected to an Alderman Family from North Carolina. I decided that I must purchase this book as it might contain some information on my Bullock County, Georgia Alderman.

I emailed the author and requested information about the book cost etc. she returned my message and I purchased the book. After reading the book, it certainly offered information that was not available in other books.

The book states that David Alderman was six years old when his parents moved to Duplin County, North Carolina from New Jersey. After David was grown, he married Jemina Hall and with their older children moved to Bulloch County, Georgia about 1816. They purchased 200 acres in 1817. Among the many Alderman children was a

son, Samuel, who was born in 1792 in Duplin County, who would marry Sarah Chestnut, born 1792, Sampson County, North Carolina. They married in 1812 in Sampson County and issue was thirteen children. Among the six females was Sarah Jane, born 1822, who would marry Martin Griner and moved to Marion County, Florida area and who are the ancestors of the book's author. Apparently, Samuel Alderman wrote poetry as there are a few poems published in this book. Some of you may remember Smith C. Banks who spoke at our Alderman Reunion several years ago, he was a descendant of Samuel and Sarah Chestnut Alderman.

My apologies to the author, Kimberly Rayborn, for using some of her research for this article. The book, "Georgia Griner Family and Related Families with Royal Lineage", reflects the time and effort that the author devoted to her Georgia ancestors research. Although the book is titled with the Griner name, there is still a lot of Alderman information and even the Appendix contains interesting information back to Roman years.

Samuel had a younger brother, William C. Alderman born in 1798, Duplin County, North Carolina. Why and how William moved West toward Irvin>Brooks>Colquitt County I have failed to find the reason. William married Sarah Edmondson, born 1802, Bulloch County, Georgia. They had several children but lost three of five sons in the Civil War. One surviving son, John A. Alderman, would be my great grandfather. After John's first wife died he would marry Susan Jane Alderman. Yes, she was a cousin who had lost both her parents, James and Susan Alderman in Florida. This too is a long story but later perhaps.

John Alberry Alderman became a political person in Colquitt County, Georgia and traveled to Atlanta as a representative in the General Assembly. He is known to have purchased a "wash pot" for his only daughter's diary from his second marriage. It still survives today in a South Georgia barn.

There are many Alderman relatives in South Georgia....some we know and some we would like to know but you can bet there are more than one Alderman.

Written: Patricia C. Leonard, North Carolina

SEE YOU IN DELWAY!!!

ALDERMAN BOOKS ARE STILL AVAILABLE

- Original "Aldermans in America" – contact Susan Bland - susan@intrstar.net
- New AIA Volumes 1&2 building on the original "Aldermans in America" – contact Susan Bland - susan@intrstar.net

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