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1. To collect, compile and edit historical and genealogical records of CHAPMAN family members; 2. To establish a central repository and retrieval system for the collection of CHAPMAN family historical and genealogical records; 3. To publish books, newsletters, magazines and periodicals to disseminate the collected Chapman family historical and genealogical information to members of the Association and interested members of the public; 4. To educate family members of the historical contributions of CHAPMANS to the development of the United States of America; 5. To provide social and fraternal association and fellowship to its members; 6. To establish an organization with perpetual life in order to continue and preserve the herein described purposes for successive generations; 7. For any and all other lawful purposes permitted by the Texas Non-Profit Corporation Act, which are not inconsistent with the purposes described herein.

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**Happy Fall Everyone,
With so many getting their DNA tested,
please send us your personal stories of what
you have learned so far. Any surprises?
Email me your finds!**

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"The challenge I give you as a
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understanding, both of your ancestors
and of yourself. Preserve those details
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bring understanding to many others
and truly enable their hearts - along
with your own - to turn to their fathers.
Someone has said that **there is little
point in digging up an ancestor if
you aren't going to make him live.**
If that is true - and I believe it is - your
job is not finished until you feel a bit
of what he felt, have shared vicariously
in his joys and heartaches - perhaps
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THE LATEST CONVENTION INFO AND
MUCH MORE!**

President Letter

Greetings, all.

I hope this finds everyone healthy and well. Especially those Chapmans – and everyone else – in the Southeastern United states. Last year when I wrote at this time, we here in Houston were dealing with the aftermath of Hurricane Harvey. This year Michael roared across the Southeast, and once again we have to face the aftermath of such a devastating storm. Facing the clean up and rebuilding process can be heart-breaking. I know I speak for everyone in the Houston area when I say our thoughts and prayers are with you. I encourage everyone to consider a donation to the Red Cross or other aid organization.

As anyone who has been to the CFA Annual Convention, or who has talked to an attendee for more than a few minutes, knows, we spend a significant amount of time discussing DNA. This year alone there were multiple presentations on DNA and services like Ancestry.com and 23andMe. The testing provided by such services have become increasingly popular. I'm sure many of you have used one or more of them.

One sidelight of all of these tests, however, is that it is becoming increasingly possible to identify individuals by their DNA, even if they have never taken such a test themselves.

Work by Yaniv Erlich, the chief science officer for MyHeritage has demonstrated that with the relatively small percentage of DNA in commercial databases today, matches at least as close as third cousins can be found for as much as 60% of the US population of European descent (because that ethnic group is much more likely to have had the test done in the first place). To put that into context, it was a third cousin match that led to the capture of the Golden State Killer last spring. Erlich estimates that it will take as few as 3 million DNA test results to raise that match rate to 90%. I will provide the links for the articles below.

I'm not trying to recommend a policy here, definitely not trying to tell someone to get the test or not. Our organization exists in order to help people make those very connections and discover that family lost through time and distance. I do think it is important for us to realize, however, that there are unanticipated consequences to new technologies. Like so much of the internet, DNA testing makes things easier for us, while at the same time removing some our privacy and anonymity that we have taken for granted for so long. I guess we should be getting used to that by now.

And to all of our third cousins ... Beware! You won't be able to get away with those speeding tickets or stealing cable tv any more.

Peace,
Mark Chapman

DNA Stories

As more of us are having our DNA tested, many are finding more suprising finds in their family tree than what country the family might have originated. The skeletons of our past ancestors are no longer hidden deep in the closet, but bursting out with all the family secrets!

***If you have a DNA story to share please send to chap814@gmail.com to be entered in next issue.**

As for CFA member Billie Chapman, thru DNA testing and her genealogical research, she found she had more siblings by way of her dad.

On July 23rd of this year, we found a niece, two nephews and a brother, Richard, thru DNA. Around 2000, using a 1939 family tree sketch from our father's side, my brother, Greg, and I started working on our father's genealogy. About 2009, Greg did a YDNA test and we both did Ancestry DNA family finder tests. We found lots of cousin connections, but no real surprises until July 2018.

In July, three possible first cousin matches popped up on my Ancestry account. I sent a message to the first one, Wes, thinking he was a cousin from my mother's side. He replied saying that he hoped that I could help him find his father's father who disappeared after a brief marriage to his grandmother, Vivian. Their son, Richard, was born after her husband disappeared. He sent me a copy of their marriage license. It was not our father's name on the license, but I knew it was our father.

When we started our family research, Greg ordered our father William's military records from St. Louis. A lady from the records center was kind enough to call Greg before she sent William's papers. To our shock, our father joined the U. S. Army under an alias name, birth date and birth place. We learned later that he picked the name and birth date off a grave stone in Arkansas.

This is what we knew about our father's children before July 23, 2018. There are five siblings from three different mothers. Donald was born first to William and Dorothy. My mother, Margaret, was married to William twice, but Sara and I were from their second marriage, then Greg and Jim were born to William and Eleanor.

When William married my mother, Margaret, for the first time in May of 1935, he was nineteen and Mother was seventeen. They were only married for about six months when he hopped a freight train and disappeared. This was a shock, not only to my Mother, but to his whole family. Mother learned later that he had gone to Denver.

While in Denver, he met and married another young girl named Dorothy in July of 1937. She had their son after William disappeared again. We are not sure if he knew about his son, Donald, but he did know about him later.

We think the reason, William changed his name was to get away from two ex-wives, Margaret and Dorothy. Before July 2018, we knew that after leaving Dorothy and Denver, Williams went to the state of Washington. We now know that he lived in Seattle and married for a third time. He married Vivian in September of 1938 under the alias name, Albert. He disappeared for the third time and Vivian gave birth to Richard in June 1939.

William joined the U. S. Army in October of 1937 at Fort Logan, Washington under the false name. He drew pay under that name until December 31, 1938. William deserted on January 2, 1939 and returned to his home in Mississippi. He remarried my mother, Margaret, in February of 1939 and they had me in November and my sister, Sara, in 1943. He was employed as a barber at his father's shop, but apparently decided he wanted a career in the U. S. Army. He turned himself in to the Army in January of 1942 and was not dishonorably discharged, but was charged with being A.W.O.L. for 1185 days and confined for 125 days. Mother and William divorced in 1944 and he married a military nurse, Eleanor, and had two boys, Greg and Jim. He raised his two boys in the states and in Europe. William retired from the Army in 1965. Eleanor and William divorced and he married for the fifth time, another Margaret. William died in July of 1991 at home in Mississippi.

In 2008, with information from Mother, I started a search for our brother, Donald. My husband and I found a marriage license in the Denver courthouse for William and Dorothy. We learned that not only had our father disappeared, but Donald's mother, Dorothy, had given him up for adoption. Through Ancestry, we found a relative who had a tree on Ancestry. From emails back and forth with the relative, I collected just enough information to get us started. Many months passed, but we finally found Donald. He was adopted by his aunt and her second husband and he was happy to be found. We celebrated his 80th birthday in June.

We have had many conversations and emails with our new niece and nephews. The sad part is that our brother, Richard, died in 2004. Richard and his family searched for his father off and on for most of his life and his children continued the search after his death. The family history we shared with them was very shocking, but their long search is finally over. The family has been very generous with us by sharing the story of Richard's life and family photographs. We are all so happy that we found each other.

It turns out that our niece and nephews live in a community just outside of Salt Lake City and we are attending the Chapman Family Association Conference in June of 2019. We are making plans to stay over after the conference to get acquainted with our new family.

I had my DNA test - now what?

My purpose for writing this I to give some guidance on how to use your dna results when you get them. There is more to DNA than your ethnic makeup. I am not going to cover the waterfront on DNA providers nor am I going to talk a lot about all of the types of DNA tests that might be done. My purpose is to help you use your results to find family. So, you expected to find Native American and it wasn't there. For that or any other ethnic groups there are three simple answers. 1. It wasn't there in the first place. 2. When the chromosomes were shuffled you missed those (sometimes someone else gets all the aces) 3. They were just not in this sample. Run another sample. And that is all I am going to say about that.

Neither am I going to talk about mitochondrial DNA. I have not had it done and at this point do not have a need. I am also not going to talk about all the labs doing dna testing. I have experience with FamiyTree DNA and Ancestry.com so those are the ones I will concentrate on. I will talk a bit about yDNA - the male test because it is the test that can assure an unbroken line on your surname. It only works for the male or father line. It is the basis of the Chapman DNA project.

We hear a lot of hype about how easy it is to find your ancestors with this system or that. Believe me if you do it right it is a lot of work no matter what system you are using. On the other hand it is a lot of fun and a lot of satisfaction doing it yourself. Before I go any farther, I want to challenge some of the advertising for DNA testing when combined with the advertising for using genealogy companies' databases. Always check your own paper trail. Just read what another researcher, Nancy Chapman Crayton has to say about the subject:

"One thing I would like to share with the group is the importance of doing traditional family history research - yourself or by hiring a certified genealogist. So many people assume that if you share a surname you must be related. Even if you are one genetic distance apart - it may not be within the past 300 years or it may within 100 years. Don't assume family trees posted on websites are correct. A lot speculation and wishful thinking are too often involved. I've been researching my Chapman line for 40 years and more. My allied lines and husband's line for about 30 years. Family Tree DNA has been very helpful helping break through "brick walls" but you have to do the groundwork with documents found in courthouses and archives, or abstracted documents. (even then, people make errors, I've found them - transposed dates in cemetery transcriptions, people claiming relations that are not proven, very frustrating and difficult to correct afterwards). Be cautious. Nancy Crayton - Ira Chapman's daughter".

Nancy's father Ira Chapman Jr shares yDNA with me and in FamilyFinder both Ira and Nancy are remote cousins of mine. We continue to search for the paper trail which so far has eluded us.

Our Chapman DNA project has been operating for a number of years. It was started by the late Dan Chapman who put a lot of effort into convincing the CFA membership that having a yDNA test done on one or more members of each Chapman family lines would help pin down relationship. As a side bit we called him DNA Dan. Unfortunately, Dan never found provable members of his own Chapman line but many of the rest of us did. In my own case I was able to establish that my Enoch Chapman (1752VA) and John Chapman (1750VA) who lived next to him in the 1790 and 1800 census were likely brothers. In addition they were related to Joseph Chapman (1745VA) in some way either brothers, cousins or distant cousins. We may never know for sure but that is often the case in genealogy. Familytree DNA of Houston is the company doing our yDNA and maintaining our project. Remember yDNA is only done on the y-chromosome. That is the chromosome that determines the person will be male. It is passed from father to son unchanged, or nearly so generation after generation for dozens of generations.

Autosomal DNA is done by testing parts of all 22 pairs of non-sex chromosomes. I must admit I have been reluctant to encourage autosomal testing as I thought the results would be limited to only a very few generations and it would be a waste of time and money. I am pleased to say I was wrong and shall immediately eat my words. The labs I used for my autosomal were Ancestry and Familytree DNA (FamilyFinder)

What do we do with the results?

Familytree DNA

All that said, my objective here is to give some suggestions as to how to handle your autosomal results. I have results from Familytree DNA and Ancestry. Ancestry has an advantage with members who maintain trees, so I will write first about Familytree DNA. Open your account and click on Family Finder Matches. Glance over the names. You may recognize some of them. Look at the list of surnames on the right. There are some hints there. You can search surnames using the search line upper right.

My favorite tool is next to the “Matches” button on your welcome page. It is “Chromosome Browser.” I am still trying to figure out all the things you can do with this, but one thing is locate surnames of distant cousins. For instance I got nothing when I entered Hunsaker on the matches page but I got one when I entered it here. I will contact her. Also, Ira Chapman Jr is a match in yDNA, but a remote cousins in autosomal dna. This was the easiest way to find him and the only way to find Nancy Crayton as she had not enter surnames. We are remote cousins which is what I expect based on our paper trail. Each of the entries has an e-mail address listed. Just click on the name and it will come up.

Ancestry.com

Now for Ancestry. If you have an Ancestry public tree you should begin receiving suggestions of cousins from Ancestry based on results. If you do not have an Ancestry tree you probably

keep you genealogy data on a computer program. Set up a copy of your family genealogy beside your computer and open your Ancestry file, clicking the dna in the header(unless it is already open). Then click on “View all dna Matches.” this will open your results files. To the upper right you will see “Search Matches”- Click on that. You will see two blank lines - surname and birth location. For the moment start with surname only. Enter one of your surnames. I entered my paternal grandmother’s maiden name Hunsaker. The first name up listed as a third cousin. I know her and she is actually a second cousin once removed. Then comes an entry initials only and locked data. That means I have to contact the person to find out anything. I will skip that for now. The next one is listed as a 4th cousin initials only, but not locked. I click the “view match.” You can get a free subscription to enter a limited tree and see some of the comparisons, but only a paid subscription tree gives you full access to all the features. This entry is an interesting tree with about six generations showing. I spotted a Hunsaker b. 1733. (I find that out by clicking on the name and seeing some data) Promising, but not in my tree. There are two other names that are familiar in the paternal branch, but in the maternal branch John Cooper b. 1797 is very familiar and when checked against my tree he is a brother to my 3rd great grandfather Abraham Cooper. This does not happen often, but this is an interesting match. Now to prove it.

At the top right of the tree usually is a button labeled “View Full Tree”- Click it. That will open whatever part of the person’s tree they choose to let you see. The tree looked good but needs to be proven by comparing available marriage and census data. The more data the better. Be sure and check burial information and obituaries if available. I may find Civil war records, but they will probably be confederate thus a little harder to follow.

Familytree DNA provides the person’s email address while Ancestry has an internal mail contact program that works much like Facebook’s Messenger. Both are private.

Even though autosomal DNA is considered shallow (limited to a few generations) it does cover much of the recorded history. The limitations seems to be the size of the database and that available gene markers are random. Still it is well worth trying and I do recommend having an autosomal test with Ancestry and with Familytree DNA. As for other testing labs I yield to those who have experience with them.

A big thanks to Nancy Crayton and Pansy Limes for helping proof and test this procedure. I am pleased to say they are both cousins of mine.

-Submitted by Ernie Chapman

Family Managers Needed

!!!!!!! Wanted Family Managers !!!!!!!!

So, what is a Family Manager? Any member of the CFA can be a family manager. All you need is an interest in your Chapman ancestry, some knowledge of your genealogy and a desire to help others find their way. You do not need to be an expert. Few of us would qualify as experts, but we all can help others. It sounds like a lot of work. With enough family managers the workload is spread well. For any individual line there may only be one or two queries a year. The rewards are contact with new cousins and expanding your own tree. Requests for any one family are not all that numerous so the work load isn't big. If you are in a Chapman line that does not have a family manager, are a member of the CFA and would be willing to be the contact person for that family let us know. You can be the manager for that line.

Right now we need a family manager for Robert Chapman of Saybrook b. 1616 in England (Rob1616EN) who migrated to Saybrook.

If you are of that line and enjoy helping others, contact either Ernie Chapman enpchapman@gmail.com or Al Chapman achapman@olemac.net for details.

*We would like to welcome back to CFA, **Amelia Painter**. She was our first Newsletter editor. She had taken a break from the Association but has agreed to come back and become a Family Manager of the **Isaiah Chapman line**.

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Human Interest

Airman John Chapman's Widow Speaks Out as He's Awarded Posthumous Medal of Honor: 'It's Very Humbling'

It was a deeply emotional moment for Valerie Nessel, when [President Donald Trump](#) gave her the Medal of Honor for her husband, John Chapman, who heroically fought and died 16 years ago atop a remote mountain in Afghanistan.

For Valerie, the White House moment on Wednesday culminated a long journey marked by devotion — to John, and to the Air Force special operations community she calls family.

"I'm as proud as can be," Valerie told PEOPLE prior to attending the afternoon ceremony that brought bittersweet reunion with her beloved Air Commandos. "It's very humbling that he is finally being recognized for what he did."

The recognition is for actions both chilling and inspiring.

In March 2002, John, an Air Force Technical Sergeant, embarked on a treacherous mission to rescue a teammate who was thrown from a helicopter when it was hit by a rocket-propelled grenade. The teammate, Navy SEAL Neil Roberts, was stranded amid the enemy. During the mission to recover Roberts, who died, John and others in the rescue squad encountered fierce resistance.

"Sergeant Chapman charged into enemy fire through harrowing conditions, seized an enemy bunker, and killed its enemy occupants," the White House wrote in a statement. "He then moved from cover to engage a machine gun firing on his team from a second bunker."

John was wounded. In the chaos of combat, he was left for dead atop snow covered Takur Ghar mountain.

Earlier this year, though, the Air Force confirmed via surveillance footage that after John's teammates first left the mountain, the lone combat controller – an elite warfighting specialist – rallied from apparent unconsciousness. Despite being severely wounded, John fought relentlessly. He is believed to have engaged in hand to hand combat before being felled.

Initially awarded a posthumous Air Force Cross for his actions on Roberts Ridge, John is the first airman since the Vietnam War to receive the military's highest recognition for heroism.

For those who knew John, the honor stems from the quality he himself referenced while in high school. In a phrase accompanying his 1983 yearbook photo, the Varsity sportsman wrote: "Give of yourself before taking of someone else."

Even as a small child, John sensed when others needed help, the fallen airman's mother, Terry Chapman, tells PEOPLE.

"When he was a toddler, he knew when I was upset," Terry says. "He would come up and put his hands on my face and say, 'Its going to be okay, Mommy.' "

To Valerie, the Medal of Honor reflects what she always has known about her "vivacious," blue-eyed sweetheart.

"John was an extraordinary man," Valerie tells PEOPLE. He fully embodied the Air Commando ethos, she says.

"They are a special breed of quiet professionals cut from a completely different cloth," Valerie says. "Walking down the street you would never know what they are trained to do. They are very humble and quiet and all about serving their country and their team."

The couple met in the summer of 1990, when John and a military friend visited Valerie's home town in Pennsylvania. The young nurse and the dashing special operator hit it off. They continued their relationship after John returned to his duty station in Fayetteville, North Carolina.

Enthralled with John's eyes, Valerie realized after a few months of long distance dating: "This guy is the real deal."

During an outing to a stretch of Pennsylvania road that seems to defy gravity, John pushed through nerves and vertigo, and offered Valerie an engagement ring. The couple married in 1992, and soon began a family.

A skilled carpenter, John built beautiful furniture, including a memorable swing set, a dresser, and crib.

John adored the couple's young daughters, Madison and Brianna, who were 5 and 3 when they lost their father.

"John would come home from a mission, and the minute he came home, he was Dad," Valerie tells PEOPLE. "He'd be the one bathing the girls and reading them stories. He'd be out in the pool playing Barbies."

Losing John was a cruel blow; but also one that spurred Valerie to invaluable service of her own.

"When I went to tell Val that John wasn't coming home, I thought, this woman will never want to see me again," says retired Colonel Ken Rodriguez, who was John's commander. Instead, Rodriguez says, the grief-stricken Valerie insisted on helping Rodriguez and other Gold Star spouses.

"She would go to widows and comfort them and give them something no one else could," Rodriguez says. "She could tell them, 'I've been there; you can get through this.' No one else could do that."

Community members came to view Valerie as a hero in her own right.

"Everyone in our career field has that respect for her," Rodriguez says. "They've seen her do this over and over again."

Valerie offers the help because that's what family does, she says.

"Blood doesn't define family," Valerie says. "This is my family forever."

To the Air Force special operations community, the feeling works both ways – and includes great pride for the man Rodriguez describes as a courageous, selfless, “rock solid teammate.”

“Technical Sergeant John Chapman personified the Air Commando spirit while fighting boldly to preserve the lives of his teammates,” wrote Lieutenant General Brad Webb, commander of U.S. Air Force Special Operations Command, in a statement to PEOPLE. John’s “heroism and gallantry will now forever be enshrined among our nation’s most courageous warriors.

“To the Chapman family, a grateful nation honors his service and rightfully recognizes your family’s sacrifices,” Webb wrote.

For her part, Valerie has a specific request for PEOPLE.

“Let people know, our men and women are still at war,” Valerie says. “Hopefully people won’t forget all the Gold Star families, anyone who has lost someone killed in action or in a training accident, or suicide from PTSD if the treatment is not available to them.”

John’s award has been a long time coming, Valerie says. She is profoundly honored to accept it on his behalf.

“I wish he would be here to receive it in person.”

Susan Keating 8/22/2018 *People Online Magazine*

-Submitted by **Catherine Chapman** catchap@comporium.net

*Also wondering if any of our Chapmans know if he is one of ours.



Mount Chapman

Mount Chapman is a mountain in the Great Smoky Mountains. It has an elevation of 6,417 feet above sea level. The Appalachian Trail crosses its eastern slope, coming within 200 feet of the summit. Mount Chapman, a double peaked mountain, is among the 10 highest mountains in the Appalachian range, if subpeaks are not included.

Mount Chapman is situated along the Tennessee-North Carolina border. The remoteness of the mountain has left it largely untouched by human history. The mountain is named after Colonel David C. Chapman (1876-1944), a Knoxville business leader who led efforts to establish a national park in the Great Smokies. Chapman raised funds and negotiated hundreds of land purchases that would make the park possible.



To learn more, read about Mount Chapman at [Wikipedia.org](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Mount_Chapman)

Source: [Wikipedia.org](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Mount_Chapman)

-Submitted by Kathy Konek

Chapman Beach, Leeward Point, GTMO Cuba

Named after my father who was the energy and enthusiasm behind getting a beach built on this side of the base. The base is split in two and he was Officer in Charge of Leeward Point (the west side) for the Cuban Missile Crisis. Mom and I were evacuated on October 22, 1962. I have photos of the evacuation.



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Geneva Chapman Taylor's grandson Michael holding HIS grandson Weston
Michael Bass



-Submitted by Catherine Chapman

Queries

Hi all

I am married to a Chapman and look after the yDNA and family finder for her brother Lenard Chapman. I am in Australia. Happy to work with any other Chapman to find any connections. The Chapmans came to Australia under a bit of a cloud. details https://www.ancestry.com.au/mediaui-viewer/collection/1030/tree/100884666/person/120005838282/media/375afd76-120d-44fa-8858-e86124264cba?_phsrc=kOT6087&usePUBJs=true

JOHN THOMAS CHAPMAN

BIRTH 11 NOV 1833 • Seneca Falls, NY, USA

DEATH 25 JAN 1905 • North Carlton, Victoria, Australia
great-grandfather

<https://www.ancestry.com.au/family-tree/tree/100884666/family>

Here is the yDNA info <https://www.familytreedna.com/public/Chapman?iframe=ycolorized> as kit number 670845

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Chapman family,

I realized that there were several researchers/members in the CFA, but you were shown as the correspondent and had an address I could use. I don't think I made some of the facts quite clear. I have been working on all of Mark's lineages and have traced several back a long way-but am stumped by William. I have found three different sets of parents for him and all are wrong. I am hoping someone in your organization can place him and his brothers, Brooklin and Hiram.

Mark's father was **Major Jack Chapman** b. 09 Jun 1816 in Laclede Co., Missouri, d. 03 Jan 1972, Kansas City, Missouri. His grandfather was Isaac Jackson "Jack" Chapman Jr, b, 06 Oct

1863, b. Buffalo, Dallas Co., Missouri, d. 31 Aug 1942, Joplin, Jasper Co., Missouri, bur Forest Park Cemetery. His g grandfather was Isaac Jackson Chapman, Sr, b. 1835, Tennessee, was killed in 1864 in or near Georgia, during the Civil War while serving as a Confederate soldier. He is buried in the Macedonia Cemetery, in Dallas Co., Missouri. His gg grandfather was William Chapman, b. ca 1790 in Tennessee, died in 1845 in Dallas Co., Missouri.

William Joseph Chapman is a brother to Isaac Jackson "Jack" Chapman. I just put his record in because it appears that he is not traced before.

I have considerably more information, but wanted to limit it to just necessary information.

All Mark's family knew of the Chapman side was the names of two uncles I started with their Uncle Melvin in Jasper Co., Missouri and found "I.

Jack" Chapman in the same cemetery, then everything else was clear sailing.

Alma Spragg
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Hi Robert,

Just wanted to say I came across your website by mistake, and was having a good look. I have only just started looking into my family tree at the moment I have tracked down my great grandfather **Alfred John Chapman**, from Finchampstead, Wokingham, England.

I Remember My late Grandfather told me he lived in a treehouse which I thought he was winding me up, but I have found the proof.

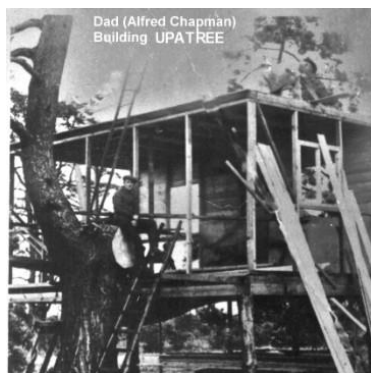
After driving around the cemetery in the areas of Finchampstead England, lots of people had heard of the large Chapman family that built and lived in a treehouse.

His address was:

Upatree, Nine Mile Ride, Finchampstead Road, Wokingham, England



Granddad Chapman
Working on 'Upatree'



Dad (Alfred Chapman)
Building UPATREE



Kate Chapman outside of the original 'Upatree' with Son Arthur looking out of window



Didn't know if this would be any good for your website or if anyone can find any links to my family tree from America.

Kind Regards,
Craig John Chapman
craigjchapman@hotmail.com

Hello!

My name is Sarah Davison and Robbie Jean Morss Davison is my grandmother. She is still living and has done much research on our family's history. I talked to her this morning and she had done the research long before I had begun- all the way back to John Chapman's descendant Fannie Letha which was her grandmother. My family is all from Fremont and Page County, Iowa.

I am working on tracing back to the **Mayflower through the Dodge Family- Betsy Dodges lineage**- Grandma says there was a tutor listed under William Brewster on the Mayflower and she was a Dodge. Grandma also said they lived on Block Island for a while in a cave and later moved to Michigan. She remembers her grandma telling her of Aretus who was a favorite among the family and how he left home to cowboy out west. She remembers them talking about Berk Chapman who was always social and kind and a good man- she said Dennis was a doctor and they lived out in western Kansas.

Anyway, there is more she told me but it's a lot of details! I would love to know more information on the Dodge history if you have any and how I can retrieve it.
Thanks so much and have a great day!

Sarah Davison sarahedavison@gmail.com
[712-310-9469](tel:712-310-9469)

Ernie and Shelley,

I just had dinner with my direct cousin's youngest son. I think I met him when he was younger and I was younger. He's 49 and I'm 68. If I met him, I was in my 20's so he barely existed. I may never have actually met him before but he has been in the circle of Chapmans emanating from **George T. Sr. and Ruth Maude Shin Chapman**.

Great-grandmother: **Ruth Chapman**, sister to George T. Chapman, Jr., my father.

She married Floyd Stout and they had two sons: Floyd Jr. and Sam.

I learned this evening that Sam passed on about 20 years ago!

Floyd Jr. had two families. His first family with Kathy produced two sons: Tad and Philip, only Tad has a new name that he goes by now and I've forgotten it already. His second family with Pam produced? — I'm not sure, but I know there is a Michelle!

The Floyd Stout Sr's moved to Oregon, Klamath Falls, and lived there when they got married. With us all over and down south, we did not see them often.

Philip has been working on the other parts of his genealogy for the past 20 years and he understands the stuff that you and Shelley talk about. It is okay with me to for him to have whatever it is that we know about me and my connections. I am going to put you in his able hands. He is also a computer wizard and knows about search things that I've never dreamed of but you probably know of them already. In any event, he is more in your league than I am or will ever be. I just don't have the brain to hold the scope of personalities you deal with. As the roam global nomad military family, we were a unit unto ourselves and to discover that I have family who actually is living near me is blowing my mind.

Yes, I forgot to mention, he lives in Fletcher which is about 30 minutes away from Brevard! I still need to go out to Pickens and see what I can see. I'm not sure who to see or what to ask for but I suspect that you will give me instructions at some point.

I also have an invitation from the current owner of Eastatoe Falls to drop by for a chat. I would like to have a little pedigree to show him so we can find out which Chapman I am versus who the Chapmans of the Eastatoe Falls may be. We have a beach in GTMO. No reason we can't have a waterfall in Transylvania County, Land of the Waterfalls!

Philip asked me about Eliza Chapman, a Cherokee woman, and from what I understand, she was a second wife and is not blood related to me. I don't have any Indian blood showing up in my DNA that I recall which was a surprise as the family talked about the Indian grandmother. My father remembered vividly when she died. So I will let the three of you get acquainted and merge and purge or do whatever it is that you do. He's a computer wizard and in the process of moving so he may not be immediate on the uptake but he speaks the same language that you do.

I feel kind of useless except I know the people and have stories, photos, and memories of them. It was fun telling him about his great uncle who taught me how to milk a cow and his grandfather who convinced me not to be a veterinarian.

So he is attached to Ruth Stout... her grandson.

He was very interested to hear about the Chapman Family Association!

Catherine Chapman

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Catherine Chapman <catchap@comporium.net> wrote:

The inventory of Chapman Family that I can now account for in our area are

1. The one buried in Pickens, SC whom I need to locate. Did he have wife and children there?
2. Myself. (Pisgah Forest, NC)
3. My brother G. Thomas Chapman III (Brevard, NC)
4. and his wife Cherry (Marshman) (Brevard, NC)
5. Their eldest daughter Sara (Chapman) (Brevard, NC)
6. and her husband Josh Freeman (Brevard, NC)
7. with daughter Hazel Freeman (Brevard, NC)
8. and daughter Izzy Freeman. (Brevard, NC)
9. T&C's second daughter Maya Chapman who married (Brevard, NC)
10. TJ Crite and with whom they have (Brevard, NC)
11. Maya's step-daughter and TJ's daughter Dimaiah Crite (Brevard, NC)
12. Eldest son Treyton Crite (Brevard, NC)
13. Daughter Tyana Crite (Brevard, NC)
14. and little guy Tyrik Crite. (Brevard, NC)
15. Dad (GTC, Jr.) is happily resting in Pisgah Garden of Memories (Pisgah Forest, NC)
16. With Mom (Mary Lee Reynolds Chapman) (Pisgah Forest, NC)
17. Michael Taylor, son of Johnny Taylor, grandson of William Taylor Sr and Geneva Chapman (Whispering Pines, NC)
18. married to Jacqueline Shepard Taylor (Whispering Pines, NC)
19. Michael has three daughters with Debra Taylor (divorced), the eldest Chelsea Taylor (Wilmington, NC)
20. and next is Kelly Taylor Bass (Jacksonville, NC)
21. married to Justin Bass (Jacksonville, NC)
22. new parents to Weston Michael Bass, 3 months old. (Jacksonville, NC)
23. and third daughter Sarah Taylor (Charlotte, NC)
24. And now adding Philip Stout, son of Floyd Jr. and Kathy Stout, grandson of Floyd Stout Sr. and Ruth Chapman

(not to be confused with Ruth Maude Shin Chapman) currently of Fletcher but moving to Tryon, NC this week.

25. married to Paige Stout (Tryon, NC)

26. and with daughter Madison Stout (Tryon, NC)

Which brings me to a question: Am I related to Larry Chapman who is on the town council for Brevard, NC? The Mayor asked me last week and my military kid who belongs nowhere, my knee-jerk reaction was “No relation” but I had to rewind and replay saying, “Possibly but I have no idea”.

So that is the rundown on the Chapman Family in this area of whom I am aware.

My brother's two sons are up north, Joshua David Chapman and wife Giuliana have sons Phineas and Jupiter in Roanoke, VA

His youngest son Seth Jameson Chapman is divorced from Kiara and they have two children, a daughter McKenzie and a son Seth, Jr. and he is in NY.

My brother's youngest daughter, Brittany Chapman, is in Roanoke, VA.

That's all the local kin I can account for. Except there is a descendent of Gladys Long Chapman (Dad's sister) who lives in Arkansas.

Gosh, I had no idea I knew all of this and all of these people are here!

I'm surrounded! I am from 'round these parts after all!

Cheers!

Cat Chapman

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Hi All,

A cousin's daughter in law is looking for info on **William Chapman**

and wife Eliza Mary Jane Owen. Lived in KY. Had brother Nelson Chapman.

Her name is Correen Basore, starrgazerks@yahoo.com. She would like to exchange Info on Wm and family.

Thanx.

John Chapman



To All,

Do we know about any connection to **Sallie Grant Chapman**? I was in possession of a Civil War Wallet belong to Sam or Henry or Sam Henry Chapman and there my grandmother made a cryptic note that he was connected to Sallie Grant Chapman. The money in the wallet was Confederate money and my grandmother had given some to the boy grandchildren. It was hand signed by the Confederate treasurer.

I had not seen it until after my father passed away, and in unpacking and overwhelm, I finally got some help from the Museum and they wanted it.

So, do we have any knowledge or connection to Sallie Grant Chapman or Sam or Henry Chapman who served in the Civil War? If so, his wallet is now in the museum and I'd like to get that info to Brent.

Catherine Chapman
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Hi Catherine,

I apologize for taking so long to get the Deed of Gift out to you and I hate to use the old saying "It's in the mail" but in this case, it's true. I have however, attached a scanned copy of the Deed of Gift and the Thank You letter that I sent along with it. I have not yet found anything conclusive beyond Sallie Grant chapman, linking Henry Grant to the wallet but I won't give up. It's such a great story and I'm sure that someone, somewhere along the line must have written about it. I will be looking for newspapers and any other sources that I can find. In the mean-time if you come across any new information about where he or his parents lived, please send it along.

I hope you are enjoying the holiday season.

Best regards,
Brett Kelley <bkelley@nationalcivilwarmuseum.org>



LIBRARY NEWS

Diana Gustafson- I thank the following for donating this material to our CFA library. Have you written up your family? Please think about donating a copy to the CFA collection. Also, don't forget to check my website for the other holdings this library holds. That is, there are many copies of articles about Chapmans in the various states. These can be copied and sent for a minimal charge.

Updated list of CFA library holdings:

Chapman, Craig. Battle Hardened. Regenary History, 2017.

Chapman, Dean. You Caught My Eye, Please Return It; Moments of Laughter and Reflection. Author, c2014.

Chapman, Gary. Out of My Hands: The Stories of Harold Hunsaker Chapman. Author, c2014.

Chapman, Gary. The River Flows Both Ways: Following the Mekong our of Vietnam and Cambodia. Author, c2014.

Codding, Liz Chapman, editor. Notable Chapmans Today and Yesteryear. Author, c2014.

McGee, Ken and Nancy Stone. Ben Chapman and Morg McGee: two confedate soldiers from Monroe County, Missouri; plus a short history of 1st Northeast Missouri Cavalry Company C. Author, c2014.

The following CD's are available also:

"Write Site" featuring Dean Chapman

"Hands Across the Board" with Emmet Chapman

"Video of Gil Alford's Chapman Families" 2003

"Veteran's History Project" Chapman Famiy Association 2008

"Edward Chapman Ipswich Massachusetts" Pt 1 and 2 Phil Ellsworth

"Chapmans in Land Records" 2006

"CFA Meeting Memphis

Tennesse" March 15-17 2006

"Back Stops"

"Dave, Shelley and family" CFA Tennessee 2008

"Journey into Yesterday" by Mayanne DeWeese McCarley

"The Samuel Chapman Family" Ira Aallen Chapman 1909

CFA Library, Dian Gustafson, 503-659-5833

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Cemetery Project

Chapman's buried at **Holy Cross Cemetery, Spokane, WA**

Source: findagrave.com

| <u>Name</u> | <u>born</u> | <u>died</u> |
|--|-------------|-------------|
| Chapman, Andees | 15 Oct 1942 | 27 Oct 2001 |
| Chapman, Dorothy | 7 Dec 1900 | 31 Aug 1974 |
| Chapman, Dorothy M. | 28 Sep 1926 | 10 Dec 1978 |
| Chapman, Floyd J | 21 Sep 1903 | 5 Nov 1978 |
| Chapman, Maxwell R. | 1 Dec 1905 | 26 Sep 1991 |
| Chapman, Nelda Mae | 28 Nov 1910 | 30 May 2005 |
| Chapman, Nellie G Egan | 11 Jan 1904 | 15 Aug 1996 |
| Chapman, Pauline Jayne "Pauli" McGlaflin | 23 Feb 1934 | 9 Oct 2010 |
| Chapman, Raymond Lee | 7 Nov 1931 | 25 Jul 2006 |
| Chapman, Wayne Kenneth | 9 Sep 1961 | 22 Sep 2013 |

-Submitted by Kathy Konek

Source: cemeterycensus.com

Burke County, North Carolina Cemeteries

Mt. Gilead Baptist Church

Located on: Wards Gap Rd about 2.3 miles from Old Hwy 18

Chapman, Alexander (b. 16 Sep 1834 - d. 8 Feb 1917)
 Chapman, Beatrice (b. 14 May 1921 - d. 5 Jun 1922)
 Chapman, Bertie Mae (b. 15 Mar 1928 - d.)
 Chapman, Bessie Lee (b. 3 Apr 1902 - d. 23 Dec 1984)
 Chapman, Crystal Lynn Farris (b. 31 Dec 1963 - d. 24 Nov 2014)
 Died in Burke County NC. Born in Burke County NC. Daughter of Priscilla Patton
 Fletcher and Ray Farris. Wife of Allen Chapman. Heritage Funeral Service Valdese.
 Chapman, David Jenkins (b. 14 Jan 1899 - d. 22 Jan 1965)
 Chapman, Dorrine (b. 1923 - d. 1956)
 Chapman, Edison Grant (b. 7 Dec 1895 - d. 17 Jul 1941)
 Chapman, Edwin B. (b. 21 Jul 1915 - d. 26 Dec 1978)
 US Army WW-II
 Chapman, Essie G. (b. 22 Nov 1920 - d.)
 Chapman, Essie Mae (b. 22 Nov 1920 - d. 18 Feb 2015)

Died in Burke County NC. Born in Burke County NC. Daughter of Andrew Goins and Tessie Mae Chapman Goins. Wife of Quinton Chapman. Sossoman Funeral Service Morganton.

Chapman, Everette B. (b. 7 Mar 1917 - d. 2 Feb 1958)

Chapman, Forest (b. 28 Dec 1914 - d. 21 Feb 1915)

Chapman, Forrest (b. 1911 - d. 1988)

Chapman, Fronie Susan (b. 10 Jun 1905 - d. 25 Mar 1971)

Chapman, Grayson L. (b. 19 Nov 1914 - d. 25 Nov 1946)

Chapman, Grayson Richard (b. 12 Oct 1948 - d. 12 Oct 1948)

Son of Everette and Lottie Bell

Chapman, Grayson Richard (b. 24 Feb 1934 - d. 23 May 1935)

Chapman, Gus Pate (b. 9 Dec 1892 - d. 2 Mar 1970)

Chapman, Hester Louellen (b. 25 Jul 1913 - d. 16 May 1980)

Chapman, Howard Lee (b. 15 Apr 1938 - d. 14 Jan 1940)

Son of Mr. and Mrs. Grayson L. Chapman

Chapman, Infant (b. 15 Mar 1939 - d. 16 Mar 1939)

Daughter of Everette B. and Lottie Bell

Chapman, Infant (b. 15 Mar 1939 - d. 16 Mar 1939)

Chapman, Irena (b. 1 Apr 1901 - d. 1 Sep 1917)

Daughter of J. R. and M. M. Chapman

Chapman, J. Edison (b. 13 Feb 1918 - d. 27 Oct 1961)

Chapman, J. Riley (b. 4 May 1875 - d. 14 Jan 1951)

Chapman, John (b. 10 Apr 1919 - d. 5 Jun 1919)

Chapman, John Clinton (b. 10 Dec 1919 - d. 8 Jun 1976)

-Submitted by Kathy Konek

Mountain View Cemetery

Walla Walla County, Washington

Chapman, Alfred L., b. Sep 27, 1893, d. 1962 Mar 19, Oregon, Cpl Inf WWI, City Sec

Chapman, America, b. 1843, d. 1921, Masonic Sec

Chapman, Caroline Elinor, b. Aug 01, 1852, d. 1911 Jul 22, IOOF Sec

Chapman, Carrie E., b. 1857, d. 1932, IOOF Sec

Chapman, Carro Catherine, b. 1875, d. 1956, Masonic Sec

Chapman, Charles L., b. 1870, d. 1936, Masonic Sec

Chapman, Elberta M., b. 1897, d. 1969, City Sec

Chapman, Esther W., b. 1887, d. 1947, IOOF Sec

Chapman, George, b. 1863, d. 1947, IOOF Sec

Chapman, Isaac, b. 1836, d. 1917, Masonic Sec

Chapman, James H., b. 1854, d. 1933, WA Pvt 15th Regt USMC, IOOF Sec

Chapman, James R., b. 1885, IOOF Sec

Chapman, James, b. 1900, d. 1951, City Sec

Chapman, Mable I., b. Jan 28, 1889, d. 1902 Mar 31, Masonic Sec

Chapman, Mary Elizabeth, b. 1862, d. 1933, Masonic Sec

Chapman, Robert L., b. Jan 09, 1926, d. 1988 May 11, S1 US Navy WWII, City Sec

Chapman, William, b. Oct 14, 1853, d. 1914 Mar 10, Masonic Sec

Source: <http://www.interment.net>

-Submitted by Kathy Konek



In Memorium

CHAPMAN, Durwood T. "Dick" Age 87, of Austin, passed away October 6, 2018. Services, 2 p.m., October 12, Center Cemetery, Lometa. Harrell Funeral Home, Austin, TX.

-Submitted by John Chapman



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Name: _____ **[Please check the box below that is applicable:]**

Address: _____ **[Renewal Single Membership \$30.00] /___/**

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We have a hard time keeping track of everyone, so please include your current phone number and email address below.

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