



## FULGHAM-FULGHUM FAMILY FACTS

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# TEXAS ROUND-UP GREAT SUCCESS!!

## THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Well, we had a wonderful Texas Round-Up. There were no strays or culls. All 166 were thoroughbreds, with a few little doggies to boot. The weather was hot, but there were plenty of old fashioned fans and a cool swimming pool. Activities got under way a little early. Some came on Thursday in order to have a chance to look Palestine over before the festivities began. We were honored to have Dr. Jim, his wife Jaelyn and Peggy Fulghum Wood visit our ranch and sample some Texas style home cooking.

We all got down to some serious visiting on Friday. Registration began around 4 pm, with cousin Peggy in her usual place behind a table asking if you were a member and passing out packets of goodies. Cousin Judson was there with his computer and about 5000 Fulgham/Fulghum names in it. All he needed was a name and he was off and running, most times with a family history all the way back to Captain Anthony, nine or ten generations. Will marvels never cease.

Dr. Jim was also close at hand doling out information from his mind, which is about like a computer. He has enough books on the Family to fill the trunk of his car, and he carries most of it around in his head. There were kin from eighteen states, all here for the same reason, celebrating membership in a wonderful family. Supper was at 7 pm, after which outgoing President Carolyn Fulghum conducted a table by table introduction of everyone. A good time was had by all. I'd like to take this opportunity to congratulate her for the marvelous job she has done in the last two years. She has been a real credit to the Family. After supper the Executive Board met to consider Family business. Saturday began early with breakfast, more visiting and a meeting of the Board of Directors. They considered the following issues: Treasurer's report, Bylaws and

Constitution, nomination report for officer election, the Family book, and invitations for 1993 and 1994. By 9 am things were humming along. Judson was back at the computer, Peggy was gleefully taking in money and memberships, Guin was selling hats and everyone was getting re-acquainted. Grant Fulghum gave a report on his research into Captain Anthony's home in England. Shirley Bonham gave a class on Basic Genealogy, How to Trace Your Family Heritage. Judson Fulghum made a plea for accurate information for the Family records and corrections to be made in order to update current records. Visiting with family and sight seeing filled the rest of the day. At the evening meal, that Fulgham/Fulghum bunch really showed their stuff. Or was it just stuffed? Carolyn did her swan song by giving a report of the Board of Directors meeting. Peggy gave a treasury report. Time was taken to pay tribute to those in the Family who had died since the last reunion. Many accolades, praise and thank you's were passed out during the after dinner activity. First timers were welcomed, old timers praised and everyone was recognized. It just seems that meal time fellowship is the best kind. Sunday is always a special day for this Family, and as usual, a wonderful worship experience was had by all. Rev. Peter Fulghum led us in a spiritual service and embarked us on a new challenge over the next 300 years. Peter made the suggestion that we (the Family Association) create an endowment to provide education monies for future Fulgham/Fulghum Family children. The Family voted to do this at the regular business meeting, with instructions for the President to appoint a committee to establish that fund. The committee is in place at this time.

Next year Mississippi will get to strut their stuff and then it will be Georgia's turn. See you there.

**Frank Fulgham**  
President

## FROM MY NOTEBOOK

By James E. Fulghum, M.D., Historian

The Seventh Fulgham/Fulghum National Family Reunion, under the direction of President Frank Fulgham of Palestine, Texas, was a total success. We met and loved our Texas cousins, everyone of them!!!

We indeed warmly welcome Ms. Shelby Carey Fulghum as the Editor of the Fulgham/Fulghum Family Facts. Shelby was unanimously approved as our Editor at the Executive Board meeting, June 26, 1992, during the Seventh Reunion. Editor Shelby's address is PO Box 591/1030 Pine Knoll, Pendleton, SC 29670. We look forward to working with Editor Shelby.

Our thanks and best wishes go to Debra Fulghum Bruce for her very excellent performance as the Editor of our newsletter during the past two years.

The next reunion, under the guidance of Vice President Charles H. Fulghum, Sr., of Pascagoula, MS, will be June 25, 26 and 27 at Starkville, MS, The Golden Triangle of North East Mississippi.

On March 22 we had a distinguished luncheon guest. Our Family cousin, Robert Lee "Kindergarten" Fulghum, drove down from Savannah for a visit. He was on his Eastern Tour of Lectures. Robert has just finished his fourth book, whose title is "Maybe Yes - Maybe No". We had a great visit. He has just signed a contract with the publisher for two more books. Robert wished to be remembered to all of his Family cousins and regretted that he could not be at the Family Reunion this year.

Congratulations and all best wishes to our cousin Tommy Fulghum of Wadley and Augusta, GA for his beginning of his 50th chip mill. The project is now being designed for Brazil's Amapa Florestal E. Cellulose S/A (AMCEL) and is the Fulghum Industries third off-shore chip mill.

Jabo Fulghum was a noted baseball catcher and designated hitter at Louisburg College, NC, May 1982. He made All-Eastern Tarheel Conference and was Louisburg's "Student Athlete of the Year 1982". Jabo was with the ECU Pirates, March 1983. WHERE IS JABO NOW??

A recent letter from Ms. Kimberly Smith, Curator, The Colonial Williamsburg, wished information about the family of Sella Fulgham. Sella had made a needlework sampler in 1761, at Isle of Wight, VA. Sella's sampler is one of the earliest known Virginia pieces of school girl embroidery and was passed down in the family and donated to the Colonial Williamsburg Foundation by the Cofer family.

Who was Sella? She was the daughter of one of the early Fulgham families who must have been born c 1743. Well, over 350 years and among 4000 names in our data base, we have not been able to find Sella Fulgham. Sorry, Ms. Smith. Better luck next time.

As you have been told, the early Fulghams of the Isle of Wight County, VA, were granted land acreage for transporting persons from England to the Virginia colony. The following records are from Passenger and Immigration List - Index, First Edition - edited by Wm Filey - copy.

Robert Thomas, Senr. - 6 Nov 1705 (page 691) transported 20 persons. Elizabeth Fulgham was among the 20 persons. Essex Co., NC. Who was this Elizabeth Fulgham?

Capt. Anthony Fulgham, June 1664 - Granted 1000 acres, Isle of Wight for transporting 20 persons. Among them were sons John and Anthony.

Capt. Anthony Fulgham, 12 July 1665 - Granted 1600 acres, Isle of Wight for transporting 30 persons. Included were sons John and Anthony.

Anthony Fulgham, 5 Sept 1650 - Granted 500 acres of land, northside Rapph River for transportation of 10 persons.

Nicholas Fulgham, 2 May 1706 - Granted 380 acres, Isle of Wight for transportation of 8 persons.

As noted above Captain Anthony included John and Anthony in June 1664 and again in July 1665.

According to the General Assembly of Virginia (1619-1976) there were two Fulghams who served in the Virginia House of Delegates. Both were from Wight County, Virginia. Charles Fulgham, son of Nicholas Fulgham was a delegate to the Convention 1776, 1777 and 1778. Charles was very active in the affairs of the county and state. June 5, 1777, the court ordered that Charles Fulgham be appointed a Captain of the Militia in Isle of Wight County. He no doubt participated in helping to write the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution for the United States of America. The second member of the House was Robert L. Fulgham, 1813 and 1814.

From the Official British Court Records we learn that from 1614 to 1775 some 50,000 English men, women and children were deported to the American Colonies for crimes ranging from the theft of a handkerchief, to bigamy, to highway robbery. This forced immigration to the Americas consisted of felons, vagabonds, beggars and other undesirables. Many of these persons were assigned to labor in the tobacco fields of Virginia and Maryland. There were no Foljambes or Fulghams in this large group of immigrants.

The spelling of the Fulgham/Fulghum name has varied many ways over the past 500 years, as we know. The below is a most unique spelling of our name and I quote ...

[Will of Anthony ffulgeham: Land I now live on to bro. Nicholas ffulgeham; bro. Michail ffulgeham; bro. John's son, Anthony; Kinswoman Martha Fulgeham, dau. to bro. Michail. Dated 14 Oct., 1678;]

The recent Fulgham/Fulghum National Family Reunion gave us pause to honor and pay tribute to our beloved ancestors who helped to carve this great nation 130 years before the Declaration of Independence was signed.

We have just celebrated another July 4th and again felt proud to wave the flag and rejoice to bear the ancient and honorable name of Foljambe, or Fulgham or Fulghum. So teach your children and your grandchildren that "A good name is rather to be chosen than great riches".

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## HISTORY OF JOSEPH FULGHAM

By Grant Fulghum, P.E.  
Board of Directors, FFFA

Joseph Fulgham, son of Nicholas, son of Capt. Anthony, moved from Isle of Wight County, Virginia to Plymouth, Massachusetts prior to 1744. Plymouth Church records show that he married Rebeckah Young on 1 March 1744. "He was master of the ship "COMMERCE" engaged in the merchant trade between England, the West Indies, and lost coast ports." \* Joseph had only one son that lived by this marriage, Charles, born 18 June 1749. By 1752 Joseph had bought the third house on Market Street from the corner of Market and Leyden for we find: "... in 1749 Mr. Shurtleff sold (the store) to John Watson, who sold it, in 1752, to Joseph Fulgham. In 1779 the administrators of Mr. Fulgham sold it to Robert Brown....It was later occupied by Benjamin Cooper Finnly as a store, and in 1883 was removed to the rear of the Brewster Building on Leyden Street, where it has been used as a dwelling house with its old front room restored."\*\* Rebeckah died sometime prior to 1753 for we find that by 1753 Joseph had married twice into the family descendants of Thomas Clark who came over on the "ANN" in 1623.

It is interesting to note that the former owner of the storefront purchased by Capt. Joseph in 1752 was a Shurtleff and Abiel Shurtleff became his brother-in-law when Joseph married Luraina Clark in 1753. Both Shurtleff and Watson were involved in maritime activities. It would be interesting to

explore down Leyden Street and find if a dwelling house to the rear of the Brewster Building still exists.

I would like to know the English origin of the Thomas Clark who came over to Plymouth in the "ANN" in 1623. I know that the "ANN" passengers came to Plymouth from Leyden, Netherlands but I would like to know where Thomas Clark's house was in England. If any of our FFFA members know or can find out I would appreciate it.

\* Fulgham, Russel W.; Fulghum Family History; typewritten/copied; Renton, Washington; 1970

\*\* Davis, William T.; Ancient Landmarks of Plymouth; Damrell & Uplrom; Boston: 1899

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## FULGHAM/FULGHUM FAMILY ENDOWMENT FUND

By Rev. Peter C. Fulghum

Once I had the privilege of serving a small congregation on the eastern shore of Maryland. I found out that it was the very first congregation in Maryland, organized in 1632. A lady back in the 1830's decided to invest a few thousand dollars to insure that the congregation would not die out. Today, those dollars have grown to a million dollars and the interest generated each year is in excess of 87 thousand dollars.

As I thought about the Fulgham/Fulghum Family I said, "Why couldn't we do something like this for our heirs?" Imagine two or three hundred years from now all sorts of Fulgham/Fulghum children might be able to further their education from scholarships that would go on and on. Our Family could be a most educated group and a great influence on our nation in many diverse ways. We are a small Family in a large country, but a very special Family of great talent and multiple gifts. We should further our cause.

At the Family Reunion in Palestine, Texas, I shared this idea with the Board of Directors and the Executive Committee.

They agreed and brought it to the Assembly who voted to begin a fund for educational purposes. A committee was chosen to study the idea and to look into the possibilities of a foundation or endowment for the future. Peggy Wood has opened a separate account, and is waiting for the committee to act and the Family to implement it. Some day we may have young Fulgham/Fulghums coming to our Reunion telling us how the "Foundation" has helped them reach their dreams and to better the world.

## IN MEMORY

**B.E. (GENE) FULGHUM**, 82 - A former City High School teacher and athletic coach of Memphis, died on March 5, 1992, at St. Francis Hospital. He loved his family and athletics. He attended the Family Reunion at Wadley, GA.

**ALBERT SIDNEY FULGHUM** - Of Memphis, TN, died Oct. 20, 1991 after several years of ill health. Albert attended the first Family Reunion at Rock Ridge, NC. He was the brother of cousin George D. Fulghum of Memphis, TN.

**PAULINE WOOD FULGHUM**, 95 - Of Jacksonville, FL, died July 3, 1992. She was the wife of Willis G. Fulghum, deceased.

**JAMES MARSHALL DANIEL**, 71 - Of Wilson, NC died March 1992. His great-grandfather, David Daniel married Sarah Fulghum, daughter of Jacob Fulghum. James Marshall was a friend of the Family and was proud of his Fulghum heritage. He will be missed by all of us. James Marshall was a genealogist and provided much valuable Family history.

**CHARLIE POWELL** - Of Anderson, SC died unexpectedly in February 1992. Charlie was the son of Minnie Fulghum Powell, deceased and the grandson of Miles Henry Fulghum. He leaves his wife and a daughter.

**SARA MAE BAILEY FULGHUM** - Of Lavonia, GA died February 1992 following several years of declining health. She was the wife of Alton Eugene Fulghum. Alton is the son of Robert Verner Fulghum, grandson of Miles Henry Fulghum. Sara leaves her husband, three children and 12 grandchildren.

**DARLENE JONES SINGLETON**, 42 - Of Lithonia, GA died February 1992 following a two year battle with cancer. Darlene was the daughter of Alton Jones and Geneva Fulghum Jones. Geneva is the daughter of Robert Verner Fulghum and granddaughter of Miles Henry Fulghum. Darlene leaves her husband and a daughter.

## HONORARY DEGREE



**ROBERT FULGHUM**

"Congratulations" to our Family cousin Robert Lee Fulghum on his recent receipt of an Honorary Degree of Doctor of Letters from Whittenberg University in Springfield, Ohio. Now we will call him "Dr. Fulghum".

## FAMILY HISTORY BOOK

The Fulgham/Fulghum/Foljambe Family History Book has gone to press and will be delivered to those who have purchased books in December.

There is still time to purchase a book, but orders should be received before the end of September. To order a book, fill out the form below and mail it with a check made out to the "Family History Book".

**DON'T DELAY, TIME IS SHORT!** You don't want to be left out and not receive a book.

## ORDER FORM

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TOTAL: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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## THANK YOU FOR A GREAT YEAR

By Carolyn Fulghum, Past President

Dear Cousins:

It was indeed a pleasure and a very rewarding experience to serve as your President for 1991-1992. It was a short year but so much was shared between us during that time.

I would like again to thank Frank, Pat and all our Texas cousins for a great Reunion. Two things that really stood out and meant a lot to me about the Reunion were: the attendance of a lot of "new" cousins we had not met before and a greater number of young "Fulgham/Fulghum's with an interest in their heritage. I hope we can continue to grow in both of these areas in the future.

I am also very excited about the interest shown and expressed to establish the endowment for Fulgham/Fulghum children to continue their education. I look forward to working with this endeavor.

Thanks to all for your support during the past year and I look forward to seeing everyone in Mississippi in '93.

Your Cousin,  
Carolyn Fulghum

## DID YOU KNOW . . .

By Judson D. Fulghum  
Assistant Historian

That Fulgh'm's are listed in the census as Fulgham, Fulghum, Fulgum, Fulgam, Fulsham, Fulgen, Fulgrim, Fulham, Fulghume, Fulguim, Fulguimn, Fulguirf, Fulghram, Fulgiam, Fuljam, Fulyann, Fulghener, and possibly many more variations. It's been this way since 1643.

That Jesse Mercer Fulghum, eldest son of John Glen Fulghum, married Mary Dortch and had a son named Hermes. Mary died in 1868 during childbirth and Hermes was raised by his uncle Jacob Alonzo. Hermes died in 1885. Jesse Mercer left Washington County Georgia, studied for the ministry, became a preacher in Tennessee, participated in genealogy and found that the name started as Fulgham. Changed to Fulgham, married Clementine Walton Thornton and raised a Tennessee Fulgham family of three boys. Jesse Mercer is the only Fulgh'm recorded to have two families, one a "Hum" and the other a "Ham".

That a family reunion was being held in Portland, Oregon at the same time as the Annual Reunion in Palestine, Texas. They had about 75 and 5 generations represented. Over 250 Fulgh'ms together on the same weekend. Isn't that great! Attend a reunion when possible - it's fun.

That George F. Fulgham was in Monterey County, California and Raymond Fulgham was in Tulare County, California before 1860.

That when Winnefred Pierce Fulgham, wife of Raiford, died her youngest daughter Apsilla was the subject of a court petition to declare her an "idiot". In 1833 the Sheriff of Wayne county was ordered to find twelve "honest" men and examine the said Apsilla. He obeyed his orders and reported to the court that Apsilla was indeed an "idiot", signed and attested to by 12 men of the community. A guardian would have to be appointed to control her shares of the estate, some land and 8 slaves. In 1840 Apsilla is in Nacogdoches County Texas as a head of household with her 8 slaves. Her brother Arthur and his son Pierce are also in the county. Apparently Arthur was appointed her guardian.

That the Georgia land lottery of 1805 had lots of Fulgh'm participation with Stephen and Ephraim in Elbert County; Hardy in Burke County; Jesse and Micajah in Washington County; also Henry and Thomas in Montgomery County. All are over 21 years of age and had been in Georgia over one year. Only Jesse was unmarried at the time. John, Stephen and Matthew had received grants 1790 to 1795 that were headright and bounty grants. Hardy, Jesse, Henry and Micajah were sons of John and Mary Montgomery Fulgham who died in Montgomery County, Georgia in 1801. The fathers of Ephraim and Thomas are unknown at this time. We are still searching.

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### A NOTE FROM OUR SECRETARY/TREASURER

By Peggy Fulghum Wood

If you missed the Texas Round-Up, you really missed how they do things in a great style in Texas. From my observation, Frank and Pat, along with their committee, did a super job for all who attended the Reunion. Every year I think it becomes more fun getting together and visiting with our Family whether you are a "Ham" or a "Hum". We had 166 plus in attendance. I was most impressed with the young people who came and shared with us for this Reunion. It really is encouraging to know that a great number of our young people are interested in their Family lineage.

We now have 169 enrolled for FFFA membership. This is down from 203 for '91. Remember that the membership year runs from January 1 to December 31. Take a look at your mailing label now while you have this newsletter in hand. If you have a '92 on your label, you are a current PAID member. If you do not have a '92, please send your \$10.00 DUES today. Please complete the form below and mail with your check to PEGGY FULGHUM WOOD, 4572 Ortega Forest Drive, Jacksonville, FL 32210.

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### NOTES FROM THE EDITOR

All of us that missed the Texas Reunion surely missed an exciting time. Every report has been that our Texas cousins went all out for the Family. The time spent each year getting acquainted and reacquainted is such an enjoyable experience. If we all start making plans now to go to Mississippi in '93, it should be the biggest one yet.

The decendants of Miles Henry Fulghum have a reunion each year on the third Sunday in September. This year's date is September 20 and the location will be Georgia Baptist Assembly at Toccoa, Georgia. Lunch is served for a modest fee. Come and maybe meet some new cousins or just spend the day with "family". If you need information, I'll be glad to answer all questions. Call me at (803)261-6023.

Our cousin Judson would like your help in keeping his database up to date. He requests that you send any birth and death announcements for FFFA members, their family and kin to him. His address is 1762 S. Darlington, Tulsa, OK 74112.

I am looking forward to the coming year as your Editor. Many notes of congratulations and encouragement have been received. The support of the Family is appreciated. Just remember that I need your help in getting information to the Family. Send all items you feel newsworthy to me at POB 591, Pendleton, SC 29670.

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