

TUSCANIA

Fortenberry, Kirby Carl (Sr.)
1896 TX – 1963 TX



4 HOUSTON BOYS ON TORPEDOED LINER TUSCANIA

Three Were Members 20th
Engineers, Forester Regi-
ment; Fourth Was Mem-
ber 158th Aero Squadron.

Other Houstonians Probably
Aboard; Fagan Burch of
Houston Prevented From
Sailing by Illness.

The heart strings of two Hous-
ton mothers throbbed violently
Thursday morning when news of
the Tuscania disaster reached
them. Each had a son on board
the torpedoed transport, and a
young wife at Bay City prayer-
fully awaits the message that
brings her word of life or death.

And at Fairbury, Neb., a father
awaits a message, too.

Four Houstonians whose fate
is still unknown are John C. Mac-
Gregor, son of Mr. and Mrs. John
G. MacGregor of 1147 Tulane
Street, Houston Heights; Kirby
Carl Fortenberry, son of Mrs.
Amanda J. Fortenberry of 2218
Smith Street; Sergeant William
Hamblen Beasty of the Kirby
Lumber Company, and Phil E.
Davant of the producing depart-
ment of the Texas Company.

The three first named were mem-
bers of Company D, of the 20th
Engineers. Young MacGregor
left a position with the Interurban
Company to join the colors and
young Fortenberry was a steno-
grapher with the Kirby Lumber
Company in Houston. Prior to
enlisting MacGregor had consid-
erable experience in millwork.

MacGregor enlisted exactly 37
days ago and was sent to Wash-
ington for training. There the
company was organized. A letter
dated January 23 received by Mrs.
MacGregor advised her that her
son had sailed or would sail short-
ly. It also gave the information that
John C. MacGregor was a mem-
ber of Company D., of the 20th
Engineers. Morning Associated
Press reports show that his unit
was on the Tuscania.

LEFT WIFE BEHIND.

Phil E. Davant left a position with the producing department of the Texas Company, in the land branch, to join the 158th Aero Squadron. He also left his young wife behind, Mrs. Davant going to Bay City to join her parents. The couple lived in apartment J, Charles Apartments. Davant enlisted in the 158th Squadron in July and was sent to Kelly Field, San Antonio, and from San Antonio took train for the seaboard, where his detachment went aboard the Tuscania. He was active in Y. M. C. A. circles in Houston, particularly in athletics.

Fagan Burch, a Houston and San Antonio baseball player, was a member of the 20th Engineers with Fortenberry and MacGregor, but was not on the Tuscania. This was a forester regiment and on its roster are many young men from the timber belts of East Texas. Burch played several seasons in the Texas League as utility man with the San Antonio club. His mother, Mrs. S. A. Burch, and sister, Mrs. E. C. Downman, live at 3710 Mount Vernon Boulevard, Montrose. Burch, however, was not on the Tuscania because illness sent him to an army hospital in Washington, and the division sailed without him.

A number of Houston boys are thought to have been in aero squadrons sent from Kelly Field to the seaboard for passage overseas, and probably were in the flying detachments aboard the Tuscania.

HEASTY A TRAVELER.

William Hamblen Heasty, who enlisted in Houston in December in the Forestry Regiment and quickly became a sergeant in Company D, though only 21 years old, has had a life crowded with adventure. Heasty was employed in the sales department of the Kirby Lumber Company here and lived at the Young Men's Christian Association. His father, John Heasty, owner of a string of lumber yards, sent the boy here to learn the selling end of the business.

Heasty was in Munich, Bavaria, when the European war began in 1914, visiting his uncle, an American residing there. He volunteered at the American consulate and helped get relief to Americans stranded in the German empire. He then drifted down the Rhine in a canal boat, successfully crossed the Dutch frontier and sailed from Amsterdam for New York. Previously he had toured the Bavarian Alps region afoot, and had made long bicycle tours into inland Germany.

Heasty attended Nebraska University and a military school. His home was at Fairbury, Neb.

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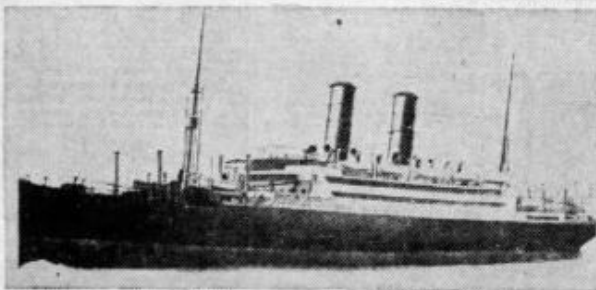
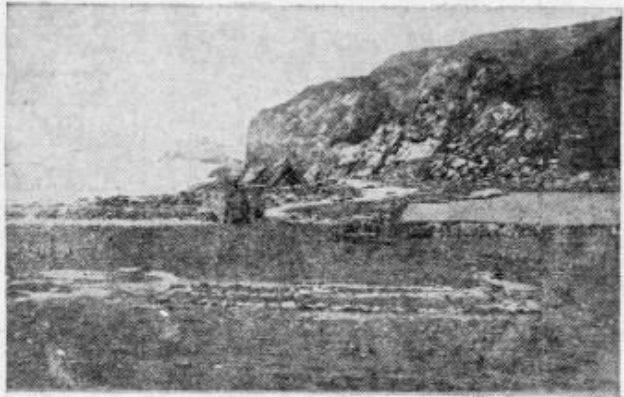
Recruiting for the Twentieth Forestry Regiment began in Houston in September. J. C. Dionne, 1302 Carter Building, is the listing officer for all of Texas. Mr. Dionne's records show that he listed the following eight men from Houston:

F. T. Fisher, December 12.
John Fagan Burch, December 11.
William H. Heasty, December 11.
John C. MacGregor, December 11.
Henry H. Walker, December 11.
Joe Nelloney, December 13.
J. C. Hall, December 13.
K. C. Fortenberry, December 4.

With their applications approved, these men then applied for enlistment at the army recruiting station here. After reporting to the regiment they were assigned to companies, the assignments not being kept as a record here, but as four of the eight—Burch,

Heasty, MacGregor and Fortenberry—were in Company D, it is likely that the others were assigned to the same company.

HOUSTON SURVIVORS RECALL SINKING OF SS. TUSCANIA





Kirby Carl Fortenberry

+ The British Ss. Tuscania, only transport carrying American troops sunk during the World war, went down in the Irish sea on the night of February 5, 1918. Four Houstonians among the survivors vividly recall the tragedy in which 360 lives were lost. The survivors who live here, shown at bottom, left to right, are John C. McGregor, Dr. James R. Bost, Phil E. Davant and K. C. Fortenberry. Upper left shows Lieutenant Davant with King V. and Queen Mary at Lincoln, England, a few weeks later when the king requested his guard of honor be formed of the survivors of the 158th Aero squadron commanded by Davant. Upper right, the bleak and forbidding coast of Scotland where most of the lives were lost when life boats were dashed against the rocks. Center left, The Tuscania, from a photograph taken shortly before she was torpedoed. Lower right, front page of The Houston Post announcing the tragedy.

HOUSTON VET SNARED IN TORPEDOED SHIP BOSOM

On Ocean 19 Years Ago When Troop Ship Sunk by U-Boat

By FRANK L. WHITE.

For four Houstonians time turned backward 19 years Friday night and Saturday to a scene of angry white caps rolling beneath scudding clouds, helpless men waiting stolidly on the decks of a stricken liner or floundering in desperation in the icy waters.

On the night of February 5, 1918, the only transport lost by the United States while carrying troops to the battlefields of France was torpedoed in the Irish sea.

The transport was the Cunard

liner Ss Tuscania, of 14,000 tons, carrying more than 2400 American soldiers, principally men of the Thirty-Second division, Wisconsin and Michigan national guardsmen, but with a sprinkling of Texans included in the forestry section of the engineer organizations and in the One Hundred Fifty-Eighth aero squadron.

May Have Pals Here.

There may be others in Houston who were on the ship which went down with a loss of 360 lives, but

the four survivors who could be located here have lost track of their companions.

None of the Houstonians who survived have forgotten the vivid details of the sinking of the Tuscania and their subsequent rescue.

Sailing from Hoboken to Halifax, Nova Scotia, the Tuscania put to sea with 11 other vessels, including the Ss Baltic, a transport, another passenger ship loaded with Chinese coolies, and an escort of United States cruisers and destroy-

ers.

Five hundred miles from the British Isles the convoy was met by English naval vessels—a circumstance which enabled the American navy to boast it never lost a loaded transport during the movement of 2,500,000 United States soldiers to France.

Rounding the northern end of Ireland the convoy headed south in the Irish sea, apparently out of the danger zone.

But let the four Houston sur-

squadron, K. C. Fortenberry and John C. McGregor of the Twentieth Engineer regiment, tell the story of the sinking of the Tuscania and the rescue of all except 360 of the passengers and crew.

Ready for Meal.

Davant, in charge of the aero squadron from Kelly Field, now a real estate man, was on deck ready for his evening meal when the torpedo struck on the starboard side, instantly flooding the engine room and extinguishing all lights on the ship.

There was no confusion as the soldiers moved quickly to the places assigned them at boat drills, but the remainder convoy and its guardians, five British destroyers, scattered away into the night at full steam ahead.

"It was a rule that all ships scatter for their own protection when a torpedo found its mark," Davant recalled, wryly.

Well might Davant recall the incident. He was one of the 900 soldiers left aboard, with nothing but life preservers for protection, after all boats and life rafts had been launched and a destroyer had taken off 400 men.

For more than three hours Davant and his fellow officers and enlisted men remained on the deck, waiting in darkness for the ship to take the final plunge.

vivors: Lieutenant Phil Davant and Dr. James R. Bost, of the One Hundred and Fifty-Eighth aero

45 Degrees List.

Then someone struck a match to light a cigarette. Why worry about attracting submarines, the ship al-listed at a 45 degree angle.

The light was answered shortly by a soft hail.

"It was a British destroyer which had come to the scene and was cruising about quietly in the hope of locating the sub," Davant said. "We had been invisible until the match was struck."

"The destroyer came within 100 feet and passed up four or five lines to the deck.

"Those lines looked as large as the Brooklyn bridge to us. No one had difficulty in 'shining' down to had difficulty in 'shinning' down to had to dump over nearly all of its fuel to remain afloat."

Davant had another experience as result of his submarine escape. While his squadron was at Lincoln, England, a few weeks later, King George V. and Queen Mary paid them a visit. The King requested his guard of honor be composed of the aero squadron which survived the Tuscania disaster.

A photograph of Lieutenant Davant escorting the king and queen along the front of the guard of honor is shown in the accompanying pictures.

Was Playing Cards

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Dr. Bost, now a well known Houston physician, but before the war a resident of Louisville, Ky., was medical officer of the aero squadron. He was in his cabin playing cards when the torpedo struck.

The ship swayed and the lights went out. Dr. Bost found his life preserver and went on deck. He discovered the uplift of the water when the torpedo exploded against the hull, smashing the boat to which he and a section of the squadron were assigned.

Another officer found several life rafts. The first launched drifted away from the ship.

Dr. Bost ordered a rope tied to the next raft thrown over. Then he slipped down a line with 15 others and sat submerged in the cold Irish sea waters for four hours.

"We were saved because we only had one oar-lock and could make no progress," Dr. Bost said. "The life boats rowed for the light houses on

the Scottish coast. Nearly 300 were lost when the life boats dashed to pieces on the rocks.

"About 50 or 60 soldiers were killed when ropes parted while the boats were being lowered into the sea."

Trawler Saved Them.

Dr. Bost and his companions were nearly frozen when a trawler picked them up. They had to be carried over the side of the rescue vessel.

Fortenberry, now vice president of the Pritchard Rice Mills, was in a cabin with other members of the engineer outfit. His sergeant had just entered and announced the "worst is over" since land could be seen on both sides of the Tuscania.

Then the torpedo struck and Fortenberry and his companions marched to the boat deck. They lowered their boat into the sea, then climbed in, after witnessing loaded boats dash the occupants to pieces when the ropes parted.

"We had with us a couple of sailors who knew the coast there and told us to keep in open water," Fortenberry said. "We rowed around for about two hours and then a trawler picked us up and took us to Larne, on the Irish coast."

Larne, on the Irish coast.

McGregor had the most hair-raising experience.

He was on a lower deck when the lights went out. While McGregor, now an employe of the Shell refinery here, was searching for a life preserver, the water-tight bulkhead doors were closed.

"It was a terrifying experience in the darkness when I found the bulkheads barred my way to the deck," McGregor said. "For 30 minutes I wandered around the corridors.

"Finally I discovered a door which had jammed and failed to close tightly. I squeezed through and made my way on deck."

McGregor didn't hesitate after he reached the open deck. The ship was listing at a 45-degree angle and seemed on the verge of sinking. He dived overboard.

A trawler picked him up nearly three hours later, half frozen but glad to be alive.

The sinking of the Tuscania was not known publicly in the United States until two days later. The Houston Post, under date of February 7, 1918, devoted five columns at the top of the front page to the disaster.

In the list of soldiers carried in the news story were seven Houstonians: Davant, Fortenberry, McGregor, Julian Joliffe, William H. Heasty, Frank C. McCarthy and Harold C. Martin.

Efforts to locate Heasty, Martin, Joliffe and McCarthy proved fruitless Friday.

An Aftermath.

There was an aftermath to the Tuscania sinking.

In March, 1933, the German S. S. Bockenheim docked in Port Houston.

Davant, Fortenberry, Dr. Bost and H. F. Dean, the latter at that time a resident of Houston but since removed to San Antonio, paid a solemn visit to the Bockenheim.

On board, serving as first mate, was Albrecht Heilmann, who was helmsman of the U-boat which fired the torpedo at the Tuscania.

Heilmann gave the survivors the other side of the story. He told them how the U-boat followed the convoy into the Irish sea, identified the Tuscania as an American troop-ship, and fired the fatal shot.

Afterwards, Heilmann told the survivors, the U-boat crew were feted in Germany and given prize money. They had sunk the first and only American troop ship sent to the bottom during the World war.

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German submarine UB-77 did not follow the convoy but came upon it by chance

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2218 Smith St Houston Texas		K	
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Died 7 3 63		T 472 095	
Born 1/23/96		R	
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Fortenberry, Kirby C.		250,311	White	1 1/2
(Surname)	(Christian name)	(Army serial number)	(Race: White or colored)	
Residence: 2218 Smith St Houston		1st	TEXAS	
(Street and house number)		(Town or city)	(County)	(State)
* Enlisted in	NA at Ft Sam Houston Tex Dec 13/17			
† Born in	Silsbee Tex 21 10/12 yrs			
Organizations:	6 Bn 20 Engrs to Disch			
Grades:	Corp May 1/18; Sgt Nov 13/18			
Engagements:				
Wounds or other injuries received in action: None.				
‡ Served overseas:	Jan 24/18 to May 28/19			
§ Hon. disch.	June 9/19 on demobilization			
Was reported	0 per cent disabled on date of discharge, in view of occupation.			
Remarks:				
Form No. 724-1 1/2, A. G. O. *Insert "R. A.", "N. G.", "E. R. C.", "N. A.", as case may be, followed by "Race and date of enlistment." † Give place of birth and date of birth, or age at enlistment. ‡ Give dates of departure from and arrival in the United States. § Give date.				

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Kirby Fortenberry

in the U.S., Social Security Death Index, 1935-2014



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Detail	Source
Name	Kirby Fortenberry
Social Security Number	460-05-3330
Birth Date	23 Jan 1896
Issue year	Before 1951
Issue State	Texas
Death Date	Jul 1963

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STATE OF TEXAS 101-01-21 101-01 CERTIFICATE OF DEATH 42.00 2.5 STATE FILE NO. 44410

1. PLACE OF DEATH
a. COUNTY Harris
b. CITY OR TOWN (If outside city limits, give precinct no.) Houston
c. LENGTH OF STAY in 1 b. 61 years
d. NAME OF (If not in hospital, give street address) Hermann Hospital
e. PLACE OF DEATH INSIDE CITY LIMITS? YES ☒ NO ☐

2. USUAL RESIDENCE (Where deceased lived. If institution: residence before admission)
a. STATE Texas
b. COUNTY Harris
c. CITY OR TOWN (If outside city limits, give precinct no.) Houston
d. STREET ADDRESS (If rural, give location) 9127 Timberside
e. IS RESIDENCE INSIDE CITY LIMITS? YES ☒ NO ☐ f. IS RESIDENCE ON A FARM? YES ☐ NO ☒

3. NAME OF DECEASED (Type or print)
(a) First Kirby
(b) Middle Carl
(c) Last Fortenberry
4. DATE OF DEATH July 3, 1963

5. SEX Male
6. COLOR OR RACE White
7. MARRIAGE STATUS Married ☐ Never Married ☐ Widowed ☐ Divorced ☐
8. DATE OF BIRTH January 23, 1896
9. AGE (In years last birthday) 67
10. USUAL OCCUPATION (Give kind of work done during most of working life, even if retired) President
11. BIRTHPLACE (State or foreign country) Rice Mill
12. CITIZEN OF WHAT COUNTRY? Silsbee, Texas
13. FATHER'S NAME W. W. Fortenberry
14. MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME Amanda Jane Kirby
15. WAS DECEASED EVER IN U.S. ARMED FORCES? Yes ☒ No ☐ (If yes, give year or date of service) WW I
16. SOCIAL SECURITY NO. [redacted]
17. INFORMANT [redacted]

18. CAUSE OF DEATH (Enter only one cause per line for (a), (b), and (c).)
PART I. DEATH WAS CAUSED BY:
IMMEDIATE CAUSE (a) Cardiac Insufficiency
DUE TO (b) Arteriosclerotic heart disease
DUE TO (c) Pulmonary Emphysema
PART II. OTHER SIGNIFICANT CONDITIONS CONTRIBUTING TO DEATH BUT NOT RELATED TO THE TERMINAL DISEASE CONDITION GIVEN IN PART I (a)
20a. ACCIDENT ☐ SUICIDE ☐ HOMICIDE ☐
20b. TIME OF INJURY Hour Month Day Year
20c. INJURY OCCURRED
20d. PLACE OF INJURY (e.g., in or about home, farm, factory, street, office building, etc.)
20f. CITY, TOWN, OR LOCALITY
21. I hereby certify that I attended the deceased from [redacted] to [redacted] and last saw the deceased alive [redacted] on the date stated above, and to the best of my knowledge from the causes stated.
22a. SIGNATURE [redacted]
22b. ADDRESS [redacted]
22c. DATE SIGNED [redacted]

23a. BURIAL, CREMATION, REMOVAL (Specify) Burial
23b. DATE July 5, 1963
23c. LOCATION Houston Texas
23d. NAME OF CEMETERY OR CREMATORIUM Forest Park West Cemetery
24. FUNERAL DIRECTOR'S SIGNATURE [redacted]
25. SETTEGAST-KOPF CO. (John W. Morrow #615)
26a. REGISTRAR'S FILE NO. 4932
26b. DATE RECD BY LOCAL REGISTRAR JULY 8, 1963

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FORTENBERRY — Kirby Carl Fortenberry, 67, of 9127 Timberside Dr., died 2 p.m. Wednesday. Native of Silsbee, had lived in Houston 61 years, president Pritchard Rice Milling Co., member of First Church Christ Scientist, Houston Turn Verein Masonic Lodge, Arabia Temple Shrine, Scottish Rite Bodies, veteran of World War I. American Legion Post 52. Survivors: Wife, Mrs. Lillian Fortenberry; daughter, Mrs. Magruder Wingfield, Jr.; son, Kirby C. Fortenberry, Jr.; Clyde E. Fortenberry; step-

son, Worth Hillebrandt, all of Houston; granddaughter, Debbie Hillebrandt. Services 10 a.m. Friday, Settegast-Kopf Chapel, Mrs. Nezzell Christie Dennis, reading. Burial Forest Park West Cemetery. Settegast-Kopf Co., 3320 Kirby Dr., JA-6-2411.

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FORTENBERRY
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Life:

**HELD EXERCISES AT
CITY AUDITORIUM**

**Friends of Graduating Class Heard
Addresses, Recitations and a
One Act Comedy.**

Relatives and friends filled every available seat in the parquet and a large portion of the gallery of the city auditorium at the class day exercises of the graduating class of the Houston high school Tuesday evening. Interesting ceremonies were conducted by the members of the class who occupied the platform. The most entertaining number of the program was the presentation of a one-act comedy entitled "Whiskers," under the direction of Mrs. March Culmore.

The class day address was delivered by Margaret Evans, class president; the class history by Phoebe Shepherd and Elizabeth King recited the class poem. Amelia Joachim evoked much applause by her class prophecy, in the course of which she presented a series of pictures depicting the future of each of her classmates. Helen Hardwick read a paper on the commercial enterprise of the class and Leon Rosenthal presented the class will, in which were contained various bequests.

The distribution of the gifts by Inez Davis and William Forman caused a great deal of merriment, an appropriate verse being attached to each gift presented.

Wednesday evening the commencement exercises will be held at the city auditorium commencing at 8:15 o'clock. The following is the full list of graduates:

- Classical Course.**
Marguerite Alsobrook; Helen Browder Barber, Gladys Julia Beard, Florella Vera Bennett, Mary Carrie Brelsford, Frances Conklin Bringham, Berta Cockrum, Thomas M. Colston Jr., Josephine Meyler Coombs, Myrtle Agnes Cottrill, Mary Lucile Cox, John Frank Crittenden, Nina Jane Cullinan, Anne Inez Davis, Alma L. Detering, Amanda Dunlay, Robert H. Dwyer, Alice M. Dyer, Margaret Evans, Beryl Marree Ford, Fannie Rivers Ford, William Harper Forman, Mark D. Fowler, Hubert Eugenia Gibbs, Eva Landram, George Leith MacLaine, Gladys Louise Madigan, James Philip Markham, Charles T. McDougle, May Belle McNeill, Ethel Morgan, Hugu Dudley Niday, Doris Otto, Anna Ricketts, Leon C. Rosenthal, Velma Ryan, Beth Harriett Shearer, Phoebe Allen Shepherd, David Andrew Simmons, Nellie Verna Smith, Delma Squyres, Bess Story, Bessie White.
- Modern Language Course.**
Louise Jane Bersud, Robert Blaine, Edwin Geneva Burns, Mary Cohen, Naletie Kavanagh, Alice Lucille Larkin, Vera E. Michael, Wayman Alfred Seydler, Camille Waggaman, Mathilde Miriam Weil.
- Domestic Science Course.**
Amalia Joachine, Elizabeth King, Hen-nie Schiom.
- Manual Training Course.**
Frank Nicholas Bono, Kirby Carl Fortenberry, Ernest Wilfers Helzig, Louis Marston Krausse.
- Commercial Course.**
Marie Elizabeth Benson, Willie Mae Boyle, E. John Cool, Clarence R. Darling, Cross Dodd, Alice Drysdale, Helen Ruth Hardwick, Irma A. Hartwell, Ruby Olivia Johnson, Minnie Louise Kretschmar, Anor Cathryn Malsch, Percy Mandeville, Carrie Lula Montgomery, H. Moore, Thomas Moore, Margaret Jinella Nicol, Natalie Sam, Paul G. Saper, Winie Z. Selman, Margaret H. Sutherland, May Tiras, Bertha G. Wagner, Harry W. Wilk.

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LIBERAL RESPONSE IN BOND CAMPAIGN

**Subscriptions Have Reached \$1,-
378,750 Up to Thursday Night.**

**Largest Contribution of the Day
Came From the South Texas
Commercial National
Bank.**

Despite the fact that subscriptions to the Liberty loan fund ran into high figures Thursday, the pace set by the campaign of last June has not yet been attained in the present drive.

Subscriptions to date total \$1,378,750. This is the end of the fourth day of the present campaign. At the end of the fourth day of the first issue, a total of \$2,749,000 had been subscribed, or double the amount subscribed this week.

Camp Logan's total amount subscribed reached \$125,350 Thursday. The South Texas Commercial National bank made a subscription Thursday of \$300,000 through R. C. Patterson's committee. The South Texas Commercial National bank reported 183,000 subscriptions taken to date. The total of the Union National bank to date is \$321,650.

The total to noon Thursday for the First National bank was \$59,850. A total of \$5550 was subscribed through the State Bank and Trust company Thursday. Mrs. Irene F. Duff and J. W. Duff each bought a \$150 bond. Mrs. Susan Mackay subscribed for \$5000 worth of the "silver bullets" and a \$100 bond was purchased by E. I. Kendrick. J. A. Allen, W. S. Barber and James P. N. B. Cahler each bought \$50 bonds.

At the National Bank of Commerce Thursday's subscriptions totaled \$2100.

The block committee headed by Maurice Hirsch turned in a total of \$3400 Thursday, and W. A. Schaeffer's committee kept up with the pace set Wednesday.

The total reported from Judge Bryan's office approached \$77,000.

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The following amounts were turned in Thursday:

By Maurice Hirsch's committee—M. M. Graves \$5000, Mrs. Lillian H. Barden \$250, Miss Lillian Barden \$250, E. T. Barden \$250, Barden Electric and Machinery company \$250, S. G. Raphael \$100, G. H. Pendarvis \$100, F. E. Murray \$50, M. J. Benson \$50, C. B. Culmore \$50, R. H. Swartz company \$50.

By Houston National Exchange bank—Miss Manette Bonart \$50, Sterling D. Anderson \$200, Abe Grossman \$100.

By W. A. Schaeffer—Guy Graham \$1000, J. J. Sweeney \$25,000, Charles B. Wood \$250, Leon L. Levy \$250, Dr. J. M. Arnold \$300, John William Rosenbush \$100, Southern Drug company \$10,000, Houston Drug company \$10,000, W. C. Buschardt \$100, C. A. Favor \$50, W. J. Howard \$100, M. L. Moody Jr. \$50, Krupp & Tuffy \$200, F. E. Pye \$500.

By A. T. Carleton's committee—H. C. Cook \$500, Thomas W. Menefee \$100, John D. York \$50.

By Andral Vann—Joseph Kennedy \$100, Mrs. M. A. Hayes \$100.

By Philip Tharp—Waddell's Housefurnishing company \$2000, James W. Waddle \$50, Sam H. Pope \$200.

By R. C. Patterson—South Texas Commercial National bank \$300,000, R. F. Ford \$250, Hugh Morris Potter Jr. \$50, D. C. Chamberlain \$50, R. O. Faires \$300, Tom Randolph Jr. \$100, G. D. Jacob \$200, W. H. Morris Lumber company \$500, Kirby C. Fortenberry \$500.

By National Bank of Commerce—J. L. Wortham \$1000, W. O. Woods \$100, C. B. Bradenberry \$100, G. C. Johnson \$100, Mrs. C. B. Bradenberry \$150, Miss Ruth Bradenberry \$150, C. B. Peters \$150.

Mrs. Marian T. Davis, M. Sprague, G. A. Shannon, W. J. Peters and A. S. Leigh \$50 each.

McKINNEY RELATIVE.

One of Soldiers On Ill-Fated Tuscania Is Prominent Houston Man, Is Cousin of Mrs. Reinhardt.

Mrs. George Reinhardt, wife of a prominent grain dealer of McKinney, is anxious to learn about the fate of her cousin, Kirby Carl Fortenberry, of Houston, who was one of the American soldiers on the Transport Tuscania, torpedoed and sunk by a German submarine in the war zone Tuesday. Young Fortenberry lives at Houston and is a son of Mrs. Amanda Fortenberry, an aunt of John H. Kirby, the millionaire Texas lumberman and former state legislator. Fortenberry and three other Houston boys were known to be on the Tuscania, but their fate has not been learned owing to the meager dispatches which have not as yet been given the personnel of the soldiers aboard the vessel. Mrs. Reinhardt has frequently visited the Fortenberry family in Houston and the young man is favorite with her, as well as with other relatives and friends.

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McKinney TX

HOUSTON BOYS ON TORPEDOED SHIP

**Relatives Have Not Yet Received
Word of Their Safety.**

**Kirby C. Fortenberry, John C. MacGregor, Philip E. Davant and
William Hamblin, All of
Houston on Tuscania.**

The breath of tragedy was blown against Houston's doors Thursday when word of the sinking of the transport Tuscania was received, for on board the ship, in service uniform, were four Houston boys, with the probability that there were many more.

Two mothers waited anxiously for the word that their sons were safe. A brother and a sister haunted the office of the newspapers in fear, yet wanting to know the fate of a brother.

The four Houstonians whose lives may have been lost on the vessel are Kirby C. Fortenberry, son of Mrs. Amanda J. Fortenberry, 2218 Smith street; John C. MacGregor, son of Mr. and Mrs. John G. MacGregor of 1147 Tulane street, Houston Heights; Philip E. Davant, son of Judge James E. Davant of Butler, Ga., and William Hamblin Heasty of the Kirby Lumber company.

FORTENBERRY ENLISTED LAST DECEMBER.

Young Fortenberry was formerly a stenographer with the Kirby Lumber company, and, in company with young Heasty, who was employed in the sales department of the Kirby Lumber company, enlisted in December in the forestry engineers.

Mr. Heasty, although only 21 years old, was made a sergeant soon after his enlistment. He is the son of John Heasty, owner of a string of lumber companies, and had come to Houston to learn the sales end of the lumber business. He had

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HOUSTON BOYS ON TORPEDOED SHIP

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traveled extensively, being in Munich, Bavaria, when the war broke out. He volunteered at the American consulate there to assist in giving aid to stranded Americans in the German empire. He later traveled across the Dutch frontier and came home to the United States.

Young MacGregor was well known in Houston and enlisted in the forestry regiment just 37 days ago. He was sent immediately to Washington for training. All three of the boys so far named were in company D of the 20th engineers. The last letter Mrs. MacGregor received giving news of her son, was on January 23, and stated that he was ready to sail for France.

No Word From Local Boys on Ship Tuscania

Definite confirmation of the presence of Sergeant William H. Heasty and Privates K. C. Fortenberry, 2218 Smith street, and John C. MacGregor, 1149 Tulane street, of company D, 20th engineers, on the Tuscania, has not been obtained from the war department. John Kirby said Friday afternoon that he had not received any information about his nephew, K. C. Fortenberry, since the disaster.

Miss Ruth Jolliffe, sister of Sergeant Julian Jolliffe, who was a member of the

100th aero squadron on board the transport, is anxiously awaiting news of her brother. She said he enlisted in Cleveland, O., and she does not know whether he gave his home address as Houston or Cleveland.

First Lieutenant Philip E. Davant of Butler, Ga., was in command of the 100th aero squadron, and his father, Judge James E. Davant, has been anxiously awaiting news of his son.

According to a letter from John MacGregor to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John G. MacGregor, 1147 Tulane street, Houston Heights, the Tuscania had made a record trip, consuming two weeks for the voyage across, compared with four and five weeks required by other transports.

The message to his parents was dated the day before he expected to go on board the transport.

"Houston (TX) Post" 9 Feb 1918 p 7

THREE HOUSTONIANS ON TUSCANIA SAFE

No Word Regarding Two Others From Here Yet Received.

H. C. Martin of 20th Engineers Has Wife and Two Children Here, Made Happy by Message of His Safety.

There were three women who failed to notice that Saturday was a cold, rainy day. To them it held nothing but brightness and joy. They had received word of the safety of relatives believed lost in the Tuscania disaster.

These three women had mourned for two sons and one husband. They are: Mrs. Amanda Fortenberry of 2218 Smith street, mother of Kirby C. Fortenberry, forestry division; Mrs. Harold C. Martin of 1306 Hyacinth street, Glen Park, whose husband was a member of the 20th Engineers, and Mrs. J. W. McCarthy of 402 Paschal street, mother of Frank C. McCarthy of the 20th Engineers.

Mrs. Martin stated that she had received a letter from her husband a short time before he sailed, and that he had told her he almost had pneumonia, being barely able to walk. She is yet afraid that the exposure encountered before the rescue may cost his life.

She said she sent him away, "knowing that she and the two babies would have to depend entirely upon the government for support, but that she agreed that his duty was to fight for his country."

Young Martin was employed as a florist when the draft law went into effect, and claimed exemption on the grounds of dependents. He was given six months' exemption, but when congress passed the bill giving support to dependents, Mrs. Martin insisted her husband's place was at the front, and he prevailed upon the draft board to put him into the army. The local board was not at that time ready for him, so he enlisted in the medical department and was sent to San Antonio, where he was later rejected. On December 21 the draft board accepted him and sent him to Camp Travis, from where he was later transferred to a New Jersey camp.

Mrs. Martin stated that she so far had not received any money from the government, although she knew that half her husband's salary was held for her. She has been aided by the civilian committee of the Red Cross.

Mrs. Fortenberry received a telegram from Washington Saturday afternoon stating that her boy was safe.

The name of Frank C. McCarthy, son of Mrs. J. W. McCarthy of 402 Paschal street, came in the list of those reported to be rescued. Young McCarthy, was drafted in Oklahoma and was a member of the 20th Engineers.

No word has yet been received concerning the possible safety of John C. MacGregor and Philip Davant.

Relatives and friends of Leon Martin of the 100th aero squadron, who was on board the Tuscania, have received word of his safety. The news was cabled to his mother, Mrs. A. Martin, of Houston.

"Houston (TX) Post" 10 Feb 1918 p 8

6 OF HOUSTON SONS ON THE TUSCANIA ARE SAFE

Only Lieutenant Phil E. Davant's Fate Uncertain and List of Survivors Is Just Half Complete.

Texas Well Represented in Soldiers Aboard Torpedoed Transport; So Far, 86 Texans Among Saved.

SAVED.

Kirby Carl Fortenberry.
William H. Heasty.
Julian Joliffe.
John C. MacGregor.
Frank C. McCarthy.
Harold C. Martin.

Rejoicing in Houston.

Many Houston homes were made happy Saturday by the news that the cables brought to seaboard and the wires flashed over the continent to this city. It was known early in the day that Harold C. Martin and Frank C. McCarthy were safe. Late in the afternoon a telegram from Congressman Joe Eagle informed John H. Kirby that his nephew, K. C. Fortenberry, was safe. Mr. Fortenberry's mother—her home already saddened by deaths and fearing the worst—was made very, very happy.

The Houston Chronicle

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Houston TX

(Pub. Dec. 10, 17, 24, 31, 1920)
 State of Oklahoma, County of Tillman, ss.

Know All Men by These Presents:

That John Thomas McCarthy, Jr., and Kirby Carl Fortenberry, are associated as partners in the business of buying and selling of lumber, building material, oil well supplies and machinery, in the city of Grandfield, Tillman County, Oklahoma, under the firm name of THE GRANDFIELD LUMBER & SUPPLY COMPANY, that said partnership is a general partnership, dating from the 1st day of February, 1920, that all of said partners reside in Grandfield, Oklahoma, and there are no other partners belonging to said partnership.

Dated this 4th day of Dec., 1920.
 John Thomas McCarthy,
 Kirby Carl Fortenberry.
 State of Oklahoma, County of Tillman, ss.

Before me a notary public in and for said county and state, on this 4th day of December, 1920, personally appeared John Thomas McCarthy, Jr., and Kirby Carl Fortenberry, to me known to be the identical persons who executed the within and foregoing instrument and acknowledged to me that they executed the same as their free and voluntary act and deed for the uses and purposes therein set forth. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and official seal the day and year last above written.

Hiles Hamilton,
 (Seal)
 Notary Public.
 My commission expires Sept. 13th, 1924.

"Big Pasture News" (Grandfield OK) Friday 10 Dec 1920 p 4

Well! I didn't know the Grandfield Machinery & Supply Co. was a home owned concern and here to serve Grandfield people.

We certainly are here to serve you. And you will be agreeably surprised to learn of the various kinds of supplies on which we can save you money and time.

Grandfield Machinery & Supply Co.
 PHONE 249
 J. T. McCARTHY, Jr. KIRBY C. FORTENBERRY

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Grandfield OK

Well, Sir! Those sure are some prices the Grandfield Machinery & Supply Company give you on repair parts and supplies. I'll just buy right now! They have the prices that I have been waiting for.



IT'S A FACT—
You will be surprised to learn our prices on repair parts and supplies.

IF YOUR MACHINERY IS IDLE—
While you wait for low prices,
YOU ARE LOSING MONEY EVERY DAY—
We can now furnish what you need at pre-war prices—and they can never be cheaper.

MAKE MONEY NOW—
by equipping your run-down machinery right away and starting back into business.

Grandfield Lumber & Supply Co.
Telephone 249
J. T. McCarthy, Jr. Kirby C. Fortenberry

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Fri, Jul 29, 1921 · Page 8

Grandfield OK

THE GRANDFIELD ENTERPRISE

THERE ARE ALL KINDS OF PIRATES

In the sound business world, men and concerns who make a practice of selling and trading merchandise outside of their regular line of business, regardless of the fact that they have had no experience with the material and know nothing of its qualities, are called "PIRATES."

These men and concerns are DANGEROUS. Legitimate manufacturers and jobbers will not sell thru them. They are not responsible. You, as a buyer, have no way of making them stand behind their goods. This means something to you. Usually you pay them an extra profit, but are not aware of it; sometimes in the low value of the goods, more often in an excessive selling price.

STOP AND THINK THIS OVER!

We wholesale and retail only legitimate and quality goods. We have been substantially located in Grandfield for some time and will be here for a long time to come. This means something to you.

WE ARE GRANDFIELD BOOSTERS—"OUR CUSTOMERS ARE OUR BEST ADVERTISERS"

GRANDFIELD MACHINERY & SUPPLY COMPANY

J. T. McCarthy, Jr. Kirby C. Fortenberry

Blacksmith Supplies Contractors Supplies General Hardware Mill Supplies Steam Plant Supplies Builders Hardware Paints Roofing Material Tinner Supplies Plumbers Supplies Automobile and Service Station Equipment Tires and Tubes Electrical Supplies Motors Pumps and Machinery Valves Fittings Cocks Line Pipe Casing and Tubular Goods Refinery Equipment Oil and Gas Well Supplies

"SERVICE WITH A SMILE"

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Grandfield OK

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Fortenberry returned home Tuesday from a month's visit to different points in California. They made the trip in their new Dodge coupe and had a delightful trip. They spent several days at Hollywood, the movie city. In fact, they just took their time looking over the entire state, coming back through the National Park. Mr. Fortenberry sold his interests at Graham to his partner, J. T. McCarthy and will either reopen a supply house here or at Houston, Texas.

"Big Pasture News" (Grandfield OK) Friday, 1 Jun 1923 p 1

(First published in the Frederick Press January 6, 1928.)

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF TILLMAN COUNTY, STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Frederick M. Myers, plaintiff,

vs.

R. A. Rasmuson, et al, defendants.

No. 4163

NOTICE BY PUBLICATION

THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

TO THE DEFENDANTS, H. V. BURTON, J. T. MCCARTHY, Jr.,

and KIRBY C. FORTENBERRY,

CO-PARTNERS DOING BUSINESS UNDER THE FIRM NAME

OF GRANDFIELD LUMBER AND

SUPPLY COMPANY:

GREETINGS:

You and each of you will take notice that you have been sued in the above named court for the foreclosure of that certain mortgage executed by one John C. Shelton, a widower, since deceased, to The Deming Investment Company, a corporation, on the 16th day of February, 1920, to secure the payment of his one certain promissory note, in writing, of that date, for the principal sum of \$5,000.00, and which mortgage was duly filed for record in the office of the county clerk of Tillman county, Oklahoma, and recorded in Book 106, of Mortgages on Page 13 of the records of Tillman county, Oklahoma, as will more fully appear from said petition and that unless you answer the petition of the plaintiff herein on or before the 18th day of February, 1928, said petition will be taken as true and a judgment will be rendered for said plaintiff and against you, and each of you, decreeing plaintiff to have a lien upon the following described land, situated in Tillman county, state of Oklahoma, to-wit:

The Southeast 1-4 (Except 3 acres off the West side for right of way of the C. R. I. & P. R. R.) of Section 21, Township 3 South, Range 14 West, of the Indian Meridian; to secure the payment to plaintiff of the said sum of \$54.87 together with interest thereon at the rate of 10 per cent per annum from March 30, 1927; and for \$5,000.00, with 10 per cent interest thereon from March 1, 1925; and for \$500.00 attorney fee, with 6 per cent interest thereon from the date of the filing of this action; and for \$302.26, with 10 per cent interest thereon from March

16, 1925, until paid; and for \$271.26, with 10 per cent interest thereon from April 29, 1927, until paid; and for \$12.50, with 6 per cent interest thereon from March 25, 1927, and for all costs of said action, and ordering that said real property be sold, without appraisement, according to law, in satisfaction of said indebtedness, and forever barring and foreclosing you, and each of you, of and from any and all right, title, interest, lien, estate or equity of redemption in or to said real property, or any part thereof.

Witness my hand and the seal of said court this 3rd day of January, 1928.

(Seal)

C. E. HAAS,
Court Clerk.

WILSON & ROE
EARL BOHANNON,
Attorneys for plaintiff.

(Jan. 6-20, 1928)

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(First published in Frederick Press,
Nov. 16th, 1928.)

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to an order of sale issued out of the office of the Court Clerk of Tillman County, State of Oklahoma, in case No. 4163, in the District Court of said County, entitled Frederick M. Myers, plaintiff, vs. R. A. Rasmuson, Flossie Rasmuson, his wife, O. E. Mapel, Blanche B. Mapel, his wife, H. V. Burton, L. H. Alderson, Pearl A. Little, Long-Bell Lumber Company, a corporation, Superior Oil Company, a corporation; W. Lee Moore, R. H. Collier, V. H. Sheppard and G. M. Richardson, co-partners doing business under the firm name of Service Lumber Company; H. C. Harris and A. E. Deaver, co-partners doing business under the firm name of Harris-Deaver Lumber Company; J. T. McCarthy, Jr., and Kirby C. Fortenberry, co-partners doing business under the firm name of Grandfield Lumber and Supply Company; J. D. Townsend, Zebedee Edge; Julia Edge, his wife, J. D. Townsend, administrator of the estate of R. A. Rasmuson, deceased, defendants, I will, on Tuesday, the 18th day of December, 1928 at the hour of 10 o'clock A. M. at the South front door of the County Court House in the City of Frederick in said County and State, offer for sale and sell to the highest bidder for cash at public auction, without appraisal, according to law, the following described real estate, situated in Tillman County, State of Oklahoma, to-wit:

The Southeast 1-4 (except 3 acres off the West side for right of way of the C. R. I. & P. R. R.) of Section 21, in Township 3 South, Range 14

West of the Indian Meridian; to satisfy a certain judgment and decree of foreclosure of a real estate mortgage, rendered in said action on the 10th day of May, 1928, in favor of the said plaintiff, Frederick M. Myers, for the sum of \$7,296.49, together with 10 per cent interest thereon from the 10th day of May, 1928, until paid, and for all costs of said action, including \$500.00 attorney fee, and the taxes due and delinquent upon said real estate; and a further judgment and decree of foreclosure of real estate mortgage rendered in said action on said 10th day of May, 1928, in favor of the defendant and cross-petitioner, J. D. Townsend, for the sum of \$3,081.14, together with interest at 8 per cent from May 10, 1928, until paid, and \$368.11 attorney fee; and a further judgment rendered in said action, on said 10th day of May, 1928, in favor of the defendants and cross-petitioners, H. C. Harris and A. E. Deaver, co-partners doing business under the firm name of Harris-Deaver Lumber Company, for the sum of \$417.98, together with interest at 6 per cent from August 11, 1926, until paid, and \$62.05 attorney fee; and a further judgment rendered in said action on said 10th day of May, 1928, in favor of the defendants and cross-petitioners, W. Lee Moore, R. H. Collier, V. H. Sheppard and G. M. Richardson, co-partners doing business under the firm name of

Service Lumber Company, for the sum of \$816.52, together with interest at 6 per cent per annum from July 13, 1926, and the further sum of \$122.55 attorneys' fee.

Dated at Frederick, Oklahoma, this the 13th day of November, 1928

J. D. McCORCLE
Sheriff of Tillman County,
State of Oklahoma
By ROY L. MOSS
Under-Sheriff.

WILSON & ROE and
EARL BOHANNON
Attorneys for Plaintiff
(Nov. 16-Dec. 14 1928.)

HERE FOR VISIT

Carl Fortenberry, Houston, Texas, arrived Saturday for a week's visit with relatives. Mrs. Fortenberry and daughter, who have been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Hargis, and sister, Mrs. C. L. Murphy, for the past three weeks; will return home with him.

Fortenberry formerly lived in this city, having an interest in a machinery supply establishment here. At the present time he is secretary-treasurer of a large cooperative rice mill, doing nearly a half million dollars' worth of business a year.

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Houston firms upon whom process could be had:

Kirby C. Fortenberry, president Pritchard Rice Milling Company; M. E. Maule, vice president and general manager Pfeffer Rice Milling Company, Inc.; E. W. Gruendler, president, and H. G. Murch, treasurer, Standard Rice Company, Inc.; W. M. Loving, Sr., W. M. Loving, Jr., and R. L. Williams, co-partners, Gulf Coast Rice Mills; Adolph Athony Pfeffer, Jr., president Adolphus Rice Milling Company.

Named also were J. E. Broussard, Jr., of Beaumont, secretary-treasurer of the Beaumont Rice Mills; E. J. Crofoot, Bay City, president of the Bay City Rice Mills, Inc.; J. E. Broussard of Beaumont, R. H. Hancock of El Campo, El Campo Rice Milling Company; Rufus Hoffpauir, president, A. D. Buskill, secretary, both of Galveston, Texas Rice Milling Company; G. Ed Diefenthaler, New York City, president, and R. M. West, Beaumont, Comet Rice Mills; R. G. Miller, president, V. C. Clark, secretary and manager, both of Beaumont, Tyrrell Rice Milling Company.

Named As Agents.

The attorney general named the following men as agents of the

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Make Your Meals More Delicious as Well as More Healthful by Serving . . .

RICE

**A PRINCIPAL
DIET THE
WORLD OVER!**

NATIONAL RICE WEEK March 13-19

If the world's consumption of rice was evenly distributed, everyone would eat one-third of a pound every day. This high per-capita is due to the fact that rice is the principal food of more than one-half of the world's population, and comprises 70 to 80 percent of the entire diet of the inhabitants of many countries today. It is generally recognized as the most important food in the world. And because rice is such a vital foodstuff the world over, it is an increasingly important factor in American farm economy.

Principal rice-producing states are Louisiana, Texas, California, Arkansas, and Mississippi. American rice growers have replaced the primitive, laborious rice cultivation methods of the Orient with tractor farming, seed-planting and fertilizing by airplane and ground drill, modern irrigation systems, power-combined harvesting, and modern drying methods. In fact, rice cultivation is considered the most highly mechanized agriculture operation in this machine-minded country.

**PRITCHARD RICE MILLING
COMPANY**
Kirby C. Fortenberry, Pres.-Treas.
3002 Richardson, Houston, Texas

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McAllen Couple Injured in Carsh

RICHMOND, Tex. (UPI) —Mr. and Mrs. Ruben Cardenas of McAllen, Tex. were released from a Richmond hospital today after treatment for injuries suffered in an automobile collision Sunday.

The Cardenas were hurt in a collision with another car on U.S. Highway 59 about a mile east of Richmond about 6 p.m. Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Kirby C. Fortenberry of Houston also were hospitalized.

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McAllen TX

Wife Edith Hargis



Headstone of Kirby Carl Fortenberry's 1st wife, Edith Hargis Fortenberry, Find A Grave 172450887, who died of ptomaine poisoning (now called foodborne illness)

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MARRIAGE LICENSE RECORD

FRANKLIN PRINTING CO. OKLA. CITY

APPLICATION FOR MARRIAGE LICENSE

State of Oklahoma, Oklahoma County, ss.

I, the undersigned, of Oklahoma County, State of Oklahoma, legally competent to make and take an oath in relation to the parties hereinafter named, for the marriage of whom a license is hereby applied for, do solemnly swear that I have personal knowledge of the facts hereinafter set forth, and that Mr. Kirby Carl Fortenberry is of the age of 26 years, and resides at or near Grandfield, Oklahoma State of Oklahoma, and that M. Edith Hargis is of the age of 21 years, and resides at or near Grandfield, Oklahoma County, State of Oklahoma, and I do further swear that each of said parties is of sound contracting mind and unmarried, and that neither of them is disqualified or incapable under the law of entering into the marriage relations, nor are they related to each other within any degree prohibited by law.

Subscribed and sworn to before me Feb. 15 1922 Kirby Carl Fortenberry Applicant

By Marion A. Cobb Deputy

CLIFF MYERS, Court Clerk.

I, the undersigned, of _____ of _____ named in the above application as under marriageable age, do hereby give my consent to _____ marriage to _____ this _____ day of _____ A. D. 1922

Parent or Guardian

MARRIAGE LICENSE
(Good in Oklahoma County Only)

State of Oklahoma, Oklahoma County, ss.

IN THE COUNTY COURT

To Any Person Authorized to Perform the Marriage Ceremony, Greeting:

You are hereby authorized to join in marriage Mr. Kirby Carl Fortenberry
of Grandfield, Okla. aged 26 years, and M. Edith Winter Hargis
of " aged 21 years, and of this license you will make due return to my office
within thirty days from this date.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal at my office in Oklahoma City, in
said County, this 25 day of February 1922

By Martha L. MYERS, Court Clerk
Edith Winter Hargis
Deputy

CERTIFICATE OF MARRIAGE

State of Oklahoma:

I, A. F. Roach, Minister of the Gospel,
Name of Official or Minister
First Methodist Episcopal,
Name of Court or Congregation of Oklahoma City, Okla.
Name of Place Where Located
Oklahoma County, State of Oklahoma, do hereby certify that I joined in marriage the persons named in and authorized by this
license to be married on the 25th day of February A. D. 1922 at
Oklahoma City
of Maude Hargis of Grandfield, Okla.
and E. L. Murphy of "

<https://www.ancestry.com/search/collections/61379/records/63271000>

Fortenberry-Hargis

Announcement of the marriage of Carl Fortenberry, formerly of Houston, and Miss Edith Winter Hargis of Grand Field, Okla., has been received in Hous-

ton. The wedding took place last Saturday in Oklahoma City and Mr. and Mrs. Fortenberry are at home in Grand Field. The groom is the son of Mrs. A. J. Fortenberry of this city and is well known here. He graduated from Houston High school and served in the world war and for a number of years has made his home away from here. Many Houston friends will be interested in the above announcement.

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Kirby Carl Fortenberry, 26 years old of Grandfield, and Edith Winter Hargis of Grandfield

The Daily Oklahoman
Tue, Feb 28, 1922 · Page 5

POPULAR COUPLE MARRIED AT OKLAHOMA CITY

Mr. and Mrs. Kirby Fortenberry arrived home Monday morning from Oklahoma City, following their marriage in that city Saturday afternoon at the First Methodist church by Rev. I. Frank Roach.

Mrs. Fortenberry was Miss Edith Hargis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Hargis of this city. She had been attending the state normal at Weatherford, meeting Mr. Fortenberry at Oklahoma City Saturday where the ceremony was performed which united them as one.

Miss Maude Hargis, sister of the bride, who is teaching school at Elk City, was tipped off by the happy young couple that they intended to get married Saturday and she joined them there and attended the wedding.

Mr. Fortenberry is one of Grandfield's young business men, being a partner in the Grandfield Lumber & Supply company. He is a nephew of John H. Kirby, the big lumberman of Houston, Texas, and during his two years' connections in this city, has made many warm business acquaintances and personal friends who will be pleased to know that he decided to cut loose the strings of single blessedness and embark upon the wondrous ripples of matrimony.

wondrous ripples of matrimony.

Mrs. Fortenberry has grown from girlhood in this city being a graduate of the local high school two years ago, and is one of the most popular young ladies of the city, having many accomplishments which have endeared her to the people of the community.

"Pat" Murphy accompanied Mr. Fortenberry to Oklahoma City and witnessed the ceremony. He was a little altar shy, yet made an admirable "best man".

They will begin housekeeping in the city within a short time, Mr. Fortenberry's business making it impossible to take a honeymoon, as he is in complete charge here since the establishment of a branch house at Mexia, Texas.

Thoughtless Youths Fired on Automobile

While driving south on the Bridge road Wednesday afternoon about 4 o'clock, Kirby Fortenberry and W. C. Spradling were nearly the recipients of a load of number 6 shot.

These two men were driving along in a Ford car and had just passed two boys, about 16 years of age, who were going the same way. When the car had gone past the boys about 50 feet, something whistled by their heads so ominously that it made the hair of both men stand on end. At the same time they heard the report of a gun. Stopping the car they made an investigation and found that a load of shot had penetrated the car top and passing on through the other side, missing Fortenberry's head by a very small margin.

When they went back and collared the boys they were told it was an accident. That they did not know the gun was loaded. As the boys seemed very sorry over the incident they were allowed to go their way. However, they are known and are Grandfield boys and of the age that should know better. The two men had a narrow escape for at that close range the shot would have done serious damage.

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L. BRIDGEMAN.
Mrs. Kirby Fortenberry and baby of Houston, Texas, arrived Monday to spend the holidays here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Hargis.

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Grandfield OK

FOUR GENERATIONS OF KIRBYS HOLDING REUNION AT KILLKARE

BY AUSTIN CALLAN.

Four generations are represented in a big family reunion that is being held at Hon. John H. Kirby's beautiful summer place, Camp Killkare, today. Those participating are children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren of Sarah Payne, who was the wife of John Thomas Kirby, the beloved Peach Tree Village pioneer.

The occasion of the reunion is the 101st anniversary of the birth of Sarah Payne, whose father and grandfather were Tennessee volunteers, and fought with Old Hickory Jackson's 22nd raw recruits at New Orleans in January, 1815, when they defeated Sir Edward Pakenham's 10,000 seasoned soldiers fresh from campaigning with Wellington.

The Paynes settled in Mississippi after the war, and it was in Lawrence County, that state, in 1841, that Miss Sarah Payne was married to John Thomas Kirby. The two came to the new State of Texas, and in 1850 they settled at Peach Tree Village, in Tyler County, where they resided continuously for nearly three score years, or until their deaths in 1903.

Seven children were born to Mr. and Mrs. John Thomas Kirby, and three of them are honoring the memory of their mother on the anniversary of her birth today. The eldest living daughter, Mrs. Aurelia Kirby Burch, and the next oldest, Mrs. Amanda Kirby Fortenberry, and the youngest son, John H. Kirby, are present, together with descendants that make up a total of 83.

It was at the request of John Henry that his sisters, Mesdames Burch and Fortenberry, issued the invitations several weeks ago for this reunion. He expressed to them a desire to have every living member of the family present if possible, and practically all of them are at Killkare today, not only enjoying the hospitality of that cool resort, but also cherishing in their hearts a reminiscence of the sainted honoree.

The event has brought together an

ance of the sainted honoree.

The event has brought together an interesting group of men, women and children. Some of them came many miles to be on hand and they represent generations that stretch from the cradle back to a period of long ago in the East Texas pines. Old scenes and associations are being renewed, old memories are being stirred and there are minglings of half-forgotten chords and the recollections of faces that are gone, with the soft notes of new songs and the fresh bloom of youth. While the younger members are running about and playing in the shade of the trees, or swinging in grapevine swings, the older folks are engaged in reminiscences of a past back in a forest where a little log cabin stood, with a great chimney in one end and wooden shutters that hung on wooden hinges.

But the host is as much of a boy, in the midst of a gathering like that, as any of the grandchildren, the great-grandchildren or the great-great-grandchildren. He loves to relax from the cares of a big business now and then, to romp and play with the youngsters, and on such occasions, there is no smile that is brighter than his and no laughter

that rings more musical. He is always the life of the party, whether the guests be those upon whose heads the frost of many years have settled, or mere children whose hearts he loves to gladden.

Among the features of the entertainment that is being given by this honored Houston citizen, to the 83 members of the Kirby family, who are descendants of his mother, is a barbecue, swimming and boat riding on the waters of a picturesque bayou which runs through his spacious country estate. As happy voices are heard shouting along the banks of this stream today memories of old Caney Creek will come back and some will recall berry pickings and possum hunts and picnics, in that far-off yesterday, as well as camp meetings when earnest preachers rode into the forests on horseback and no statute was needed to help persuade the pioneers to accept old-fashioned religion.

It is a remarkable gathering, entered into not only with a spirit of reverence for one who has passed on, but for the purpose of keeping the family fires burning and having an altogether good time.

KIRBY AND PAYNE HOLD REUNION AT KILLKARE ESTATE

A group of 83 relatives of Hon. John Henry Kirby were guests of his at a family reunion held at Killkare, near the waters of Clear Lake, Thursday. The event marked the one hundred and first anniversary of the birth of Mr. Kirby's mother.

Four generations participated in this unusual celebration. There were children, grandchildren, great grandchildren and great-great grandchildren of Sarah Payne, whose father fought with Andrew Jackson at New Orleans. The Paynes were mountaineers of Tennessee who supported Old Hickory in all his political campaigns in that State. When the general called for volunteers to aid in driving the British from the Southern coast country, both the father and grandfather of Sarah Payne responded and they were in that remarkable fight of January 8, 1815, against the seasoned soldiers of Lord Wellington, who were commanded by Sir Edward Pakenham. After the war, instead of returning to Tennessee, they settled in Mississippi.

It was in Lawrence county, of that State, that Sarah Payne was married to John Thomas Kirby, a young Kentuckian, in 1841. Nine years later the two moved to Peach Tree village in Tyler county, Texas, living there continuously for nearly 60 years and raising a large and honorable family. Three members of that family were present at the reunion Thursday.

Three of Family.

They were: Mrs. Amanda Kirby Fortenberry, the next, and John Henry Kirby, the youngest of the family.

The reunion was planned following a suggestion by Mr. Kirby to his two sisters, Mesdames Burch and Fortenberry. He expressed the wish to them to have the gathering take place and have every relative present who could possibly come.

Practically every direct descendant of Mrs. Sarah Payne Kirby was present. It was a large and interesting group of men, women and children, and not only did they all have a most enjoyable time, but they wandered back into a great garden rich with memories and were refreshed and

strengthened by an association of hearts and minds with the great honoree. Although she had passed on some 16 years ago, her influence was present and felt.

Sports and Games.

Various sports and games were indulged in, including swimming, boating on a picturesque stream which flows through the Killkare estate, and romping in the shade of a great grove which surrounds the house. And in the shade of this grove there was a spread of delicious food which the guests enjoyed very much at the noon hour. It consisted of barbecued meats, salads, bread, various kinds of drinks and watermelons.

Both the young and the old had a happy time. All the day laughter rang through the portals of Killkare and echoed up and down the creek and filled with its music the surrounding wood. Age joined youth and childhood in making the event one long to be remembered by those in attendance, while recollections were stirred that carried some of the happy company back through a winding lane that leads into the imperial pinelands of East Texas. There were reminders of a great day when a pioneer family dwelt in an humble cottage on the banks of Caney creek and when a plowboy there had a vision of bigger things which eventually led him out into the world and up to success.

Grandfield, March 9—Mrs. Carl Fortenberry and daughter left Saturday for their home in Houston, Texas, after being guests in the M. H. Hargis and C. L. Murphy homes the past month.

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Mon, Mar 09, 1931 · Page 8

Frederick OK

Former Grandfield Lady Died Here

Mrs. Carl Fortenberry of Houston, Texas, died at nine o'clock Monday evening at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Hargis, following a few days' illness with ptomaine poisoning.

Mrs. Fortenberry, who was Miss Edith Hargis before her marriage, was here with her four-year-old daughter, Anna Jane, spending two weeks with her parents, when stricken, and the nature of her illness was such that no alarm was felt until it was too late.

Mr. Fortenberry was notified of her serious condition, but too late to catch a train or airplane out of Houston to reach her bedside before her death, being notified of her death before he could leave Houston.

Funeral services were held at the Hargis home Wednesday morning at ten o'clock by Rev. M. F. Sullivan, and the body taken over land to Wichita Falls, Texas, by the Mohr Undertaking establishment in time to be shipped on the four o'clock train that afternoon for Houston where she will be buried. Services will also be held there sometime Thursday.

Mrs. Fortenberry was born February 14, 1899, at Franklin, Kentucky. She was united in marriage to K. C. Fortenberry, then of this city, February 22, 1922.

February 22, 1922.

Besides her husband and daughter, she is survived by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Hargis, one brother, Morris, of Pampa, Texas, and Mrs. C. L. Murphy of this city.

Mrs. Fortenberry was graduated from the local high school and was well known in this community as one of its most beautiful young ladies.

Those going from here to Houston to attend the funeral were Morris Hargis and Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Murphy.

The Big Pasture News
Thu, Aug 13, 1931 · Page 1

Grandfield OK

Houston Woman Dies At Parents' Home In Oklahoma Town

Mrs. Edith Fortenberry, 31, of 1958 Temple Drive, died suddenly in Grandfield, Okla., at 10:45 p.m. Monday at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Hargis, where she was spending a short vacation.

Her husband, K. Carl Fortenberry, is secretary-treasurer of the Pritchard rice mills. She was a native of Kentucky, but attended the public schools of Hillsboro, Texas, and Grandfield, Okla., later matriculating at Oklahoma State Normal and Oklahoma University. She had lived in Houston for 10 years.

She is survived by her husband, K. C. Fortenberry; a daughter, Miss Anna Jane Fortenberry, of Houston; her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Hargis, of Grandfield; a sister, Mrs. C. L. Murphy, and a brother, Morris Hargis, both of Grandfield.

Funeral arrangements will be announced later.

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CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our sincerest thanks to those who were so kind to us during our recent bereavement.

Especially do we thank Dr. Fuqua for his untiring efforts.

K. C. Fortenberry and daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Hargis.

Morris Hargis.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Murphy.

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Thu, Aug 20, 1931 -Page 8

Grandfield OK

Wife Lillian Stephens Hildebrandt



Lillian Stephens with son Harvey Worth Hildebrandt Jr., by her 1st marriage -
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THE STATE OF TEXAS } To any Regularly Licensed or Ordained Minister of the Gospel, Jewish Rabbi, or to any
 McLENNAN COUNTY } Legally Authorized Officer—Greeting:

You, or either of you, are hereby authorized and empowered to solemnize the

Rites of Matrimony

Between Mr. Harvey Worth Hildebrandt Jr. and Mrs. Lillian Stephens Hildebrandt
 and due return make hereof in sixty days from date.

In Testimony Whereof, I hereunto set my hand and the impress of my official seal, at my office in the City
 of Waco, on this the 25th day of August 1937.

By [Signature] Deputy. [Signature] Clerk County Court, McLennan County, Texas.

I hereby certify that the within license was executed by me, joining the within named parties in the

Holy Union of Matrimony

On this the 25th day of August 1937.

Signed J. M. Dawson, Pastor First Baptist Church, Waco, Texas

{ SEAL }

The within License returned into my office, this 26 day of August 1937.

By Melvin Logue Deputy. [Signature] Clerk County Court, McLennan County, Texas.

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FORTENBERRY

LILLIAN FORTENBERRY, 81, died Tuesday, April 4, 1989. She is survived by sons, Clyde Edward Fortenberry and wife Kathie of Austin and Kirby Carl Fortenberry, Jr. and wife Annie Laura of Houston; grandparents, Linda Younger of Houston, Patricia Owens of Houston, Debbie Wray of Baton Rouge, La. and Amanda Fortenberry of Houston; grandsons, Blake Fortenberry of Austin, Lee Fortenberry of Austin and Kirby Carl Fortenberry III of Houston; three great grandchildren. Graveside Services will be held Wednesday, 3:00 p.m., April 5, 1989 at Forest Park Westheimer Cemetery.

Forest Park Westheimer
12800 Westheimer Rd., 497-2330

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HILLEBRANDT — Harvey Worth (Pat) Hillebrandt, Sr., 41, of 7906 Harrisburg, died at 2:30 p.m. Wednesday in a local hospital. He had lived in Houston 26 years and was a member of Woodland Masonic Lodge No. 1157. He was assistant division operations superintendent for Lane-Wells Company. Survivors are his wife, Mrs. Rosamond Hillebrandt; two sons, Edward Goodman and Harvey Worth Hillebrandt, Jr.; a sister, Mrs. A. J. Hudeck; his mother, Mrs. Sarah E. Hillebrandt; three nephews, all of Houston. Funeral services at 2:30 p.m. Friday in the Fogle-West chapel with Rev. Henry C. Mayhew officiating. Burial in Forest Park Cemetery under the auspices of Woodland Masonic Lodge. Pallbearers will be members of Woodland Masonic Lodge. Honorary pallbearers: All personnel of Lane-Wells Company, Fogle-West Company.

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Thursday, January 16, 1947

Lillian's 1st husband Harvey Worth Hildebrandt Sr. – Find A Grave 68355450

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Daughter: by 1st wife Edith Hargis

OBITUARY

Anna Jane Wingfield

OCTOBER 7, 1927 - SEPTEMBER 14, 2024



IN THE CARE OF

Weed Corley Fish Funeral Homes and Cremation Services

Anna Jane Fortenberry Wingfield passed away in the early morning of Saturday, September 14th, 2024, under hospice care in Austin, TX, with her daughter at her bedside. She was a few weeks shy of her 97th birthday.

Born in Houston on October 7, 1927, Anna was the daughter of Edith Hargis and Kirby Carl Fortenberry and the great niece of Houston businessman John Henry Kirby. After her mother died unexpectedly when she was three, Anna was raised by her father and by her beloved Grandmother Amanda Jane and Aunts Bessie, Maud and Faymie, and grew up supported by the companionship of her cousin, the artist Carden Bailey.

She graduated from San Jacinto High School in 1944 and attended the University of Houston, which she left to accept a position writing promos at a local radio station. She was subsequently hired as a copywriter at the advertising agency of John Paul Goodwin, which was later named Goodwin & Dannenbaum. In the mid-1950s, she became a principal in the firm, notable for a woman at the time, and the agency was renamed Goodwin, Dannenbaum, Littman & Wingfield. Throughout her 31 year tenure at the agency, she served in the roles of Account Supervisor, Creative Director and Senior Vice President until her retirement in 1992.

During her career, Anna mentored and served as a role model for countless young advertising professionals. Unconventional in the industry, she both managed accounts and did the creative work for them. She wrote copy and created campaigns for Fannin Bank, Hotel America, The Houston Post, and the Interfin Companies, among many other clients. In 1972, she oversaw the political campaign of William P. Hobby Jr. in his inaugural bid to become Lieutenant Governor of Texas. He won in a landslide.

Gracious yet assured in an industry in which aggressiveness was often rewarded, she was known for her elegant ad copy, classic fashion sense and devoted client roster.

In 1957, she married architect Burnley Magruder Wingfield Jr., and they had two children, Garth and Amanda. When Magruder passed away in 1992 after 35 years of marriage, Anna began a surprising second act. Though a lifelong fear of flying prevented air travel, she gradually created a whole new life for herself in East Hampton, New York, widening her circle of friends. For almost three decades, she divided her time between Houston and Long Island, making the trek back and forth by car.

A voracious reader who pored through Proust's "In Search of Lost Time" in its entirety during retirement, she also spent her later years studying at the Jung Center in Houston, taking classes at Rice University and watching a movie most nights before bed.

Reliably kind and warm, making friends wherever she went, she had a deep appreciation of the ridiculous and was as quick to a good laugh as she was to an intimate spiritual conversation with someone she loved. We'll miss you, Annabanana, and we're blessed to have been touched by your love.

Anna is survived by her son, Garth Wingfield (Peter Manning), of Alexandria, VA; her daughter, Amanda Wingfield, of Austin; and her granddaughter, Carden Arellano, of London. She was preceded in death by her parents, Edith and Kirby; by her husband, Magruder; and by her brothers from her father's second marriage, Kirby Fortenberry and Clyde Fortenberry.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests a donation be made in her honor to Lord of The Streets Episcopal Church, Southern Poverty Law Center or the charity of your choice. A memorial service is to be held at 1pm on Monday, October 7 at Trinity Episcopal Church, 1015 Holman at Main, Houston.

<https://www.dignitymemorial.com/obituaries/austin-tx/anna-wingfield-11989599>

Kirby Carl Fortenberry's Spouses and Children

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Daughter

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Harris, Texas

Sex Female

Father's Name Kirby Carl Fortenberry

Father's Sex Male

Mother's Name [Edith Hargis](#)

Mother's Sex Female

Event Type Birth

Event Date 07 Oct 1927

Event Place Harris, Texas

Event Place (Original) Harris, Texas

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STANDARD CERTIFICATE OF BIRTH

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City Houston (No. St Josephs St.) _____ Register No. 3771

(2) FULL NAME OF CHILD _____ (If child is not yet named, make supplemental report, as directed)

(3) Sex of Child Female (4) Twin, triplet, or other ✓ (5) Number in order of birth 1 (6) Legitimate (Yes or no) _____ (7) Date of Birth Oct 7 1927

FATHER (8) FULL NAME Kirby Carl Fortenberry (14) FULL MAIDEN NAME Edith Hargis
(9) RESIDENCE 1331 Peden (15) RESIDENCE 1331 Peden
(10) COLOR White (11) AGE AT LAST BIRTHDAY 31 (16) COLOR White (17) AGE AT LAST BIRTHDAY 27
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(13) OCCUPATION Rice mill Operative (19) OCCUPATION Housewife

(20) Number of children born to this mother, including present birth 1 (21) Number of children of this mother now living 1

(22) CERTIFICATE OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN OR MIDWIFE*
I hereby certify that I attended the birth of this child, who was born alive at 8:35 P. M. on the date above stated.
(Signature) Robert A. Johnson (Physician or Midwife)
Address Oct 11 1927 Med Arts Bldg
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Evelyn Kreiter's Pupils Give Piano Recital

Ruth Smith and Orian Wymer, piano pupils of Evelyn Kreiter, were awarded pins for musical excellence in a recital held at the Warwick hotel.

Other pupils of Miss Kreiter, who took part in the program were Genie Hare, Anna Jane Fortenberry, Daniel Honerkamp, Mary Gene Blackburn, Ray E. Pressley Jr., Worth Hillebrandt, Bobby Jo Stevenson, Barbara Cheesman, Dale Cheesman Jr., Carolyn Cheesman, Patricia Witten, Helen Witten, Helen Storey, Francine Welch, Carolyn Conway, Marjorie Embshoff, Marjorie Lawry, Virginia Clark, Elizabeth Collins and Myra Jean Shimeall.

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For Miss Fortenberry

Miss Anna Jane Fortenberry, a June graduate of San Jacinto high school, was complimented Saturday with a luncheon at the Empire room, the courtesy of her aunt, Mrs. Edmund M. Longcope Jr.

Gardenias and Alaska daisies designed the decor of the board, and the guests' covers were marked with silhouettes of old-fashioned misses fashioned into sachet pads.

Mrs. W. J. Ward of Santa Monica, Cal., aunt of the honoree, was included in the personnel.

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OFTEN seen in a sea of faces at the Plantation are those of Eddie Faust, Terry Kieth, Peggy Sangluly, Coma Noel and Anna Jane Fortenberry . . . Around and about town for a few days is Pfc. Vic Glaviana, pre-war amateur sports notable . . . Warmly welcomed by his friends was Pfc. Jack Hiatt, wounded on Guam, home on leave from the Pacific . . . Fast becoming a popular spot with Houston's younger set is the Belfaire Riding stables. That handsome riding instructor, Frank White, was formerly with Uncle Sam's navy.

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Shows Honorable Discharge.

David C. Wiggins of 814 Kelly, with a wife and one child, showed his honorable discharge of May 23 from the Texas State Guard, Seventh Battalion. "Give those guys a plug," he said. "I'm a schoolteacher," said William R. Wyatt of Center, who has a wife and two children, and taught mathematics at Center High School. There was Gill Carroll of 913 Morris, an 18-year-old singer who was with Irv Daye's orchestra at Broadmoor Hotel, Colorado Springs, Colo. His mother is Mrs. Hazel Pike.

At the railroad station a crowd of well over 500 waited, fathers, mothers, brothers, sisters, sweethearts, and what seemed like dozens of little babies. There were tenseness and a little crying and little groups congregated about the inductees. Dark-eyed, brunette Anna Jane Fortenberry, 17, University of Houston student of 3406 Wichita, handed a shining identification bracelet to ex-student Jerald Plaster, 18, of 3621 Broadway. She smiled. He grinned and winked at her.

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A DREAM REALIZED—Such a thing could happen only in a fox hole dream—but it came true at the University of Houston when Jack Richardson, 22, of Wharton, was welcomed by these five comely co-eds. Richardson, who served in Gen. Ben Lear's 4th Army, is surrounded, left to right, by Anna Jane Fortenberry, Francine Henderson, Virginia Lawler, Lydia Turicchi and Jane Steen, all of Houston.

Fort Worth Star-Telegram
Mon, Dec 10, 1945 · Page 2



CUTTING A RUG? No, not exactly. Blond-haired Betty Jane Waycott is acting out a song title charade for her puzzled teammates, Bob Matthes, of 4728 Walker, and Anna Jane Fortenberry, 2218 Smith, who can't seem to figure out what she's doing. For anyone else who doesn't know what Miss Waycott, who lives at 3752 Charleston, is doing, she's impersonating a drum major to represent the word "parade" in the song title, "Easter Parade."

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Anna Jane Fortenberry is seated at center playing "charades"



SUNDAY WAS FASHION DAY. TOO, and showing off their Easter finery on downtown streets are, left to right, Mrs. Earl Mitchell, and Mr. Mitchell, of 1913 Prospect, and Miss Anna Jane Fortenberry, 2218 Smith.

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Easter Sunday fashion parade – Anna at far right

Anna FOrtenberry

in the U.S., School Yearbooks, 1900-2016



Detail Source

Name	Anna FOrtenberry
Yearbook Date	1945
School	University of Houston
School Location	Houston, Texas, USA

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Anna Armsby

in the Texas, U.S., Select County Marriage Records, 1837-1965



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Detail Source

Name	Anna Armsby
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License Date	1 Jul 1955
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Marriage Place	Kaufman, Texas, USA
Spouse	James Kelly

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Wedding Vows Read by Couple

Miss Anna Jane Fortenberry became the bride of Charles Edward Armsby Friday evening in the Riverside Methodist Church.

Mr and Mrs Kirby Carl Fortenberry of 3406 Wichita St are the bride's parents, and Edward McClellan Armsby of 5420 Palmer St is the groom's father.

The Rev Edward M. Mathison

performed the ceremony.

Mr and Mrs James Earl Mitchell were their attendants. The reception following the ceremony was given in their home at 1913 Prospect Ave.

They will live at 2906 Westheimer Ave.

The bride attended the University of Houston where she was a member of Kappa Sigma Nu sorority. The groom was a student at the Rice Institute and Millsaps College in the naval training program during World War II and was graduated from the University of Houston.

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Marriage to Charles Edward Armsby 1 Jul 1955 -

Armsby-Fortenberry Rites Held at Riverside Methodist

Riverside Methodist Church was the scene, Friday evening, of the marriage of Miss Anna Jane Fortenberry to Charles Edward Armsby. Rev. Edward M. Mathison performed the ceremony.

Parents of the couple are Mr. and Mrs. Kirby Carl Fortenberry, 3406 Wichita, and Edward McClellan Armsby, 5420 Palmer.

The bride chose a beige and white suit for her wedding. A small white beaded straw hat and alligator pumps completed her ensemble.

Mr. and Mrs. James Earl Mitchell attended the couple. Mrs. Mitchell was attired in a brown suit with a brown beaded hat.

A reception at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell, 1913 Prospect, followed the ceremony. The newlyweds will make their home at 2906 Westheimer.

Mrs. Armsby attended the University of Houston, where she was a member of Kappa Sigma Nu sorority, and the groom attended Rice Institute and Millsap College and is a graduate of the University of Houston.

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Florence Ford.
Charles Edward Armsby to Miss Anna
Jane Fortenberry.
Joseph Blais, Collector.

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Anna Jane Fortenberry

in the Texas, U.S., Select County Marriage Records, 1837-1965



Detail	Source
Name	Anna Jane Fortenberry
Gender	Female
Marriage Date	29 Feb 1952
Marriage Place	Harris, Texas, USA
Spouse	Charles Edward Armsby

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● **TIECOONS**—**Anna Jane Armsby** and **Betsy Dickson** are sisters-in-law who read the New Yorker magazine, one result of which is an infant business called Twinkle Ties Limited. The "Limited" means only that the future is limited to their rather lean purses and abundant enthusiasm.

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Wed, Oct 20, 1954 · Page 21

RULES OF MADING'S 'GREATEST DAD' CONTEST

The "GREATEST DAD" contest is open to all youngsters of Harris County, 12 years of age or younger, except children of employees of Mading's Drug Stores and the three judges.

1. Write a letter of 50 words or less describing and explaining why you think your father should be named "Greatest Dad" in Harris County. Entries will not be judged on literary style or excellence of letter submitted, but strictly on the qualifications of the candidate as outlined in the letter. Entries are limited to residents of Harris County and only one entry can be submitted by each contestant. Decision of the judges will be final. The judges are Anna Jane Armsby of Goodwin-Dannerbaum Advertising Agency, Mr. R. H. McCarthy
- of The Houston Chronicle, and Mr. Harold Mossberg of The Houston Post.
2. Print your name, address, phone number and age plainly on the official entry blank and attach your letter, or you may use entry blank for your letter.
3. Deposit your entry in the Contest Box at any Mading's Drug Store.
4. All entries must be submitted by 10:30 p.m. Saturday, June 9, 1956.
5. All entries become the property of Mading's, who reserves the right to publish the winning names.

NO PURCHASE NECESSARY TO ENTER CONTEST
WINNERS WILL BE ANNOUNCED THURSDAY, JUNE 14, 1956

The Houston Post
Thu, May 24, 1956 · Page 16

● **POT LUCK**—The Yes, Virginia, There Is a Santa Claus Supper Club, which has four members and the attraction of eccentricity, has ended its first week with success. The members are **Anna Jane Armsby** and **Betty Jane Mitchell**, **B. Magruder Wingfield Jr** and **Wayne Crouse**. The latter, who is known as Casserole Crouse, is the club's chef.

Weary of dining in cafes, the quartet started the club on the following plan: Crouse, the principal violist of the Symphony, the J. S. Bach Society and the Lyric Art Quartette is a cook of excellence. The other three split the cost of food and a maid, Mondays through Fridays, for dinners prepared by Crouse.

The chef described the opening night menu as "just a little sherry-shrimp dish, baked broccoli, a big salad of fresh grapefruit and black cherries and a sour cream dressing, coffee and cognac."

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With future husband Burnley Magruder Wingfield -

Ad Agency Here Is Incorporated

The Goodwin-Dannenbaum Advertising agency, formerly a partnership, has been incorporated as Goodwin-Dannenbaum, Inc.

Durell Carothers, president of Allright, Inc., has been made a member of the board of directors along with John Paul Goodwin, chairman of the board, and Henry J. Dannenbaum, president.

Anna Jane Armsby is vice president, and Ann Hutcheson is secretary-treasurer.

The agency in the past year has doubled the size of its staff and has more than doubled its annual billings.

Goodwin supervises air media and new business development for the agency, and Dannenbaum handles printed media supervision and agency administration.

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Sun, Mar 31, 1957 · Page 32



AGENCY'S EXECUTIVES — The officers who make up the new administrative staff of Goodwin, Dannenbaum, Littman & Wingfield are, from the left, John Paul Goodwin, board chairman and chief executive officer; Earl Littman, president; Mrs Anna Jane Wingfield, senior vice president; Robert M. Dannenbaum, vice president; Mrs Krin Holzhauser, air media director, and Mrs Gene Key Monigold, vice president.

Goodwin, Dannenbaum Changes Staff Lineup

Goodwin, Dannenbaum, Littman & Wingfield, Houston-based advertising and public relations firm, has expanded its administrative staff to include six top executives.

John Paul Goodwin, president, will be elevated to a new post as board chairman and chief executive officer. Earl Littman, formerly executive vice president, will succeed Goodwin as president of the firm.

Mrs Anna Jane Wingfield, formerly vice president, will move up to a post as senior vice president. Robert M. Dannenbaum and Mrs Gene Key Monigold have been named vice presidents.

Mrs Krin Holzhauser, who has been the agency's time buyer, has been appointed to a new position as air media director.

ALL OF THE CHANGES are effective Aug 1, Goodwin said Saturday.

"An increasing number of new accounts and the growth of present accounts have created the necessity for additional administrative officers and for promotion and realignment of responsibilities of present of-

ficers," Goodwin said.

Goodwin, Dannenbaum, Littman & Wingfield took its present name in 1958 when it merged with Abbott & Earl, a firm headed by Littman. At that time, Mrs Wingfield also became a partner in the agency. Before the 1958 merger, the firm was Goodwin-Dannenbaum, a partnership formed by Goodwin and the late Henry J. Dannenbaum.

Robert M. Dannenbaum, son of the co-founder of Goodwin-Dannenbaum, has returned to the firm as vice president of marketing after serving as advertising manager of Savage Laboratories. He was an account executive with the firm from 1955 to 1962.

Mrs Wingfield has been copy chief of the firm, a position she will continue to hold as senior vice president.

MRS MONIGOLD, who has been with the firm for three years, was an account executive before her election as a vice president. Before joining the Houston concern, she owned the public relations firm of Key & Associates in Dallas.

The Houston Post
Sun, Jul 28, 1963 - Page 34

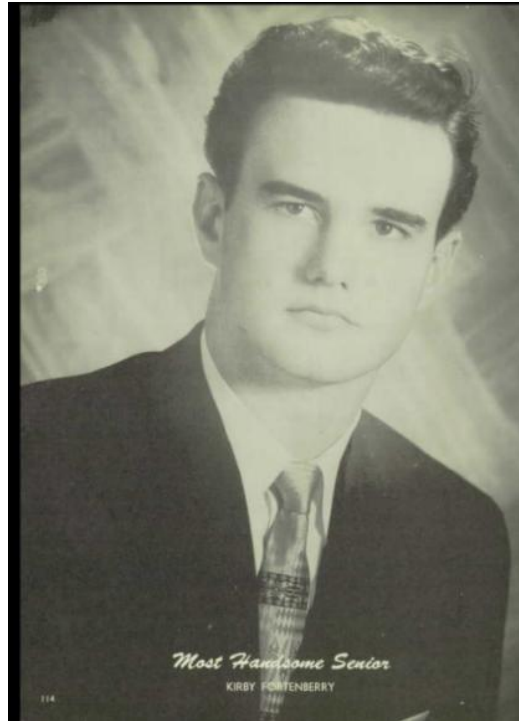


Three of the hostesses who'll greet guests at Thursday's preview reception of the C.A.A. "Totems Not Taboo" show get a pre-preview peek at some of the primitive art objects in the show in Cullinan Hall. Left to right are Mrs. B.

Magruder Wingfield, Jr., holding a Co-china dance head, Mrs. Jane Farnsworth Bell and Mrs. Percy Selden, with skull from New Zealand. On the stand is a mask with totemic bird from the South Seas. (Chronicle Photo)

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Children: by 2nd wife Lillian Stephens



Kirby Fortenberry
San Jacinto High School
Houston, Texas
1956

“Most Handsome Senior” –



Kirby Fortenberry
San Jacinto High School
Houston, Texas
1954

Son Kirby Carl Fortenberry Jr. (1938-2013) – both photos from Find A Grave 135814523

Kirby Fortenberry

in the U.S., School Yearbooks, 1900-2016



Detail	Source
Name	Kirby Fortenberry
Estimated Age	16
Birth Year	abt 1939
Yearbook Date	1955
School	San Jacinto High School
School Location	Houston, Texas, USA

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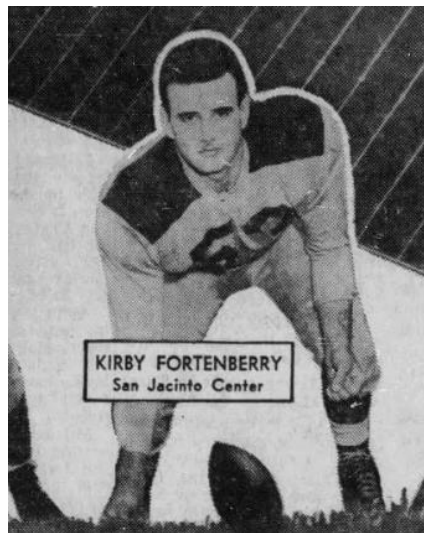
Center Kirby Fortenberry, 200-pound senior letterman, faces Austin's Maroons Friday night at Junior High Stadium as San Jacinto seeks its second victory in three starts. Next door, at the same time, Lamar plays Corpus Christi's Ray. (Chronicle photo)

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SAN JACINTO CENTER KIRBY FORTENBERRY
Senior 200-Pounder Had Good Night Against Austin
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KIRBY FORTENBERRY
San Jacinto Center

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BEAR BRIEFS — Rose's top soph could be George McRail, a 6-2 end from Johnston, who did a 10.4 100 in junior high... San Jacinto will suffer mostly from the loss of its middle line. Guards Bobby Loveless and Bernard Schultz and Center Kirby Fortenberry sprang Larry Evans for his consistent gains. Fortenberry was the only one who didn't accept a college scholarship. Texas wanted him, but he decided to give up football because of old injuries... The Evans boys will get the full picture treatment. Their dad, Larry, is the Chronicle photographer... The Bear line may average as much as 198 pounds per man, the backfield 166.

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Mr. and Mrs. Kirby Fortenberry, 3406
Wichita, boy, July 25.

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Kirby Carl Fortenberry

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Detail Source

Name	Kirby Carl Fortenberry
Gender	Male
Birth Date	25 Jul 1938
Birth Place	Harris, Texas, USA
Father	Kirby Carl Fortenberry
Mother	Lillian Stephens
Roll number	1938_0003

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Mrs. Carol Wallace, 23, 3300 Yorktown; Kirby Fortenberry, 26, 9127 Timberside.

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Kirby C Fortenberry Jr

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Detail	Source
Name	Kirby C Fortenberry Jr
Gender	Male
Marriage Date	17 Dec 1964
Marriage Place	Harris, Texas, USA
Spouse	Carol H Wallace
Document Number	0306004

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After a honeymoon in Corpus Christi, Kirby Carl Fortenberry Jr. and his bride, the former Miss Carol Lynn Wallace, will live at 5813 Fairdale. They were married Dec. 17 in the First Christian Church.

The bride is a graduate of Southwestern University. She was a member of Delta Delta Delta sorority. Her parents are Mr. and Mrs. I. E. Henderson of Houston.

The groom, son of Mrs. K. C. Fortenberry, 9127 Timberside, and the late Mr. Fortenberry,

Fortenberrys To Live Here

was graduated from the University of Texas, where he was a member of Beta Alpha Psi and Beta Gamma Sigma honorary fraternities.

Mrs. H. W. Hillebrandt was matron of honor. Best man was H. W. Hillebrandt.

A reception was held in the Petroleum Club.

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Fortenberry-Wallace

Wedding vows were exchanged by Miss Carol Lynn Wallace and Kirby Carl Fortenberry Jr Dec 17 in the First Christian Church. Houston is their home.

The bride is the daughter of Mr and Mrs L. E. Henderson, 5578 Cedar Creek. The groom is the son of Mrs K. C. Fortenberry, 9127 Timberside.

Mr and Mrs H. W. Hillibrandt were the honor attendants. The bride was graduated from Southwestern University, where she was a member of Delta Delta Delta. The groom attended the University of Texas.

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WOOD BR.
Annie Laurie Bradford, 22,
4327 Bettis No. 13; Kirby Carl
Fortenberry Jr., 28, 4327 Bettis.

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Fortenberry-Bradford

Miss Annie Laura Bradford, daughter of Mr and Mrs James W. Bradford of Angleton, wed to Kirby Carl Fortenberry Jr, son of Mrs Kirby Carl Fortenberry, 6009 Bellaire Blvd, on Sept 3, in the First Methodist Church in Angleton.

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Miss Bradford Is Married To K. C. Fortenberry

Miss Annie Laura Bradford, 1550 Chevy Chase, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James W. Bradford Sr. of Angleton, became the bride of Kirby Carl Fortenberry Jr., 4327 Bettis, son of Mrs. Kirby Carl Fortenberry Sr., 6009 Bellaire, on Sept. 3 in Angleton.

Miss Peggy Jo Eickenhorst and Clyde Fortenberry were honor attendants. Mrs. Jackie Graham, Mrs. Jerry Tartar, Mrs. Russell Burnett, Mrs. Jim Bradford Jr., Miss Kay Foster, Miss Sandy Atkinson and Miss Bridget Bradford were bridesmaids. John Coleman, Worth Hillebrandt, Jack Johnson, LeRoy Towls, Stan Terry, Dr. Fred Hodges and Ed O'Connell were groomsmen for the couple who honeymooned in Mississippi and Florida.

The bride is a graduate of Sam Houston State Teachers College, where she was a member of Zeta Tau Alpha. The groom is a graduate of the University of Texas.

The bride wore a princess-style gown of light ivory silk linen with a court-length train. Her attendants wore moss green.

The couple will reside at 4327 Bettis.



MRS. K. C. FORTENBERRY
Was Miss Bradford

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MRS. KIRBY CARL FORTENBERRY JR.
The former Miss Annie Laura Bradford

Fortenberry-Bradford vows recited |

ANGLETON — Miss Annie Laura Bradford and Kirby Carl Fortenberry exchanged double ring wedding vows in a ceremony at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 3, at the First Methodist Church in Angleton.

Mr. and Mrs. James W. Bradford of Angleton are parents of the bride. The groom is the son of Mrs. Kirby C. Fortenberry of Houston.

The Rev. Louis Nichols led the couple in their vows before an open Bible centering the communion table, flanked by brass cathedral candle holders.

The altar was decorated with three Gothic pedestals holding Grecian urns filled with arrangements of white bridal flowers. Candelabra, filled with magnolia foliage to form trees holding a myriad of white tapers, stood on the rostrum and in the choir loft. Canole trees, outlined with the same foliage, were on each side of the altar rail.

Miss Martha Elizabeth McKee of Livingston, cousin of the bride, provided the organ selections and accompanied the soloist, Mrs. Howard Clayton.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a prin-

cess gown of light ivory silk linen. The sculptured bodice was fashioned with a sweetheart decolletage and sleeves above the elbow.

A rose of the silk marked the front of the bodice and from the shoulders at the back a Watteau draped to form a train of court length.

She wore a full length tiered veil of silk illusion that fell from a rose of organza etched with pearls. She carried a bouquet of white carnations and white orchids with pearlized leaves in a cascade design.

Mrs. James Walter Bradford Jr. served her sister-in-law as matron of honor. The maid of honor was Miss Peggy Eckenhorst.

Bridesmaids were Mrs. Jessica Graham, Mrs. Jerry Tarter, Mrs. Russell Burnett, Miss Kay Foster and Miss Sandy Atkinson. Bridgette Bradford, niece of the bride, was junior bridesmaid.

Their moss green gowns of silk linen featured elevated bodices which were styled with deep circlet necklines and marked by a row of small buttons.

The sleeveless gowns were given coverage by brief jackets that had circlet necklines and above elbow sleeves and were held at the front by small

bows. The A-line skirts were worn at slipper length.

Clyde Fortenberry served his brother as best man. Groomsmen were John Coleman, Stan Terry, Leroy Towles, Dr. Fred Hodges, Jack Johnson and Worth Hillenbrandt, brother of the groom.

Brooks Gayle Bradford and James Walter Bradford Jr., brothers of the bride, lighted the tapers.

Ushers were John Wolf, Jim Bradford, Robert Teague, Brooks Bradford and Tommy Jacomine.

For her daughter's wedding, Mrs. Bradford chose a formal dress of turquoise chiffon and satin.

The groom's mother wore a pale pink chiffon sheath over darker pink and a matching feathered hat.

Hurricane lamps lighted the natural setting of a garden reception held in the Lewis Munson home following the ceremony.

Members of the house party were Miss Mary Leslie and George Ann Gayle of Sangelo, cousins of the bride; Mrs. Frank Ford, Mrs. Clyde Fortenberry, Miss Linda Ann Anderson and Mrs. Richard Parker, all of Houston.

Guests were registered by Mrs. Beverly Sloan Horton.

For travel to Florida, the

bride chose an Alaskan suit of Mediterranean blue.

Mr. and Mrs. Fortenberry will make their home in Houston.

She attended Sam Houston State College. The groom is a graduate of the University of Texas.

Parties for the bride prior to the wedding included a linen shower given by Mrs. Jesse Graham, Misses Kay Foster and Sandy Atkinson in Mrs. Graham's home.

A kitchen shower was held at the home of Mrs. Charles Curson, with Mrs. A. J. LeRibeus of Angleton and Mrs. Jake Wilson of Rye as co-hostesses.

The Freeport Inn was the scene for a luncheon, with Mrs. Jack Scott of Angleton and her daughter, Mrs. Jerry Tarter of Houston as hostesses.

Mrs. Arrington Farrer and her daughter, Mrs. Charles Michael, entertained with a luncheon at Mrs. Michael's home in Houston.

A luncheon at the Warwick Hotel was given by Mrs. Ray Gayle Jr.

A cousin of the bride, Mrs. Bolton Outlar of Wharton, gave the bridesmaids luncheon at the Doctor's Club in Houston.

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Name	Kirby Carl Fortenberry Jr
Gender	Male
Age	28
Birth Date	abt 1938
Marriage Date	3 Sep 1966
Marriage Place	Harris, Texas, USA
Spouse	Annie Laurie Bradford
Case Number	2831966078949

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Texas, Divorce Index, 1968-2011

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Name	Kirby C Fortenberry Jr
Gender	Male
Divorce Age	57
Birth Date	1939
Marriage Date	3 Sep 1966
Divorce Date	18 Jun 1996
Divorce Place	Harris, Texas, USA
Spouse	Annie L Fortenberry
Number of Children	2
Case Number	042545

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Kirby Carl Fortenberry Jr., 75, a loving husband, father and friend passed away Sunday, September 22, 2013.

Kirby was a native Houstonian.

He was preceded in death by his parents Lillian and Kirby Carl Fortenberry, his brother Clyde Fortenberry and step brother Worth Hillebrandt. His is survived by his wife Shirley Fortenberry, his son Kirby Fortenberry III, daughter Amanda Dawson and husband Mike, stepsons Taylor Cutshall and wife Yoya and Chris Cutshall, his sister Anna Wingfield and grandchildren Michael and Eric Dawson, his niece Lynda Conley and husband Mike and children.

Kirby graduated from San Jacinto High School and was All-City Center in '55 on the football team. He attended University of Houston and graduated from University of Texas with a BBA with Honors. He was a CPA and worked with Arthur Young Co. With a partner, he started Sunny's Convenience Stores and was VP/Treasurer. He then became President and owner of Flexmaster USA. In 1999 he retired, moved to Chappell Hill, TX where he pursued his lifetime hobby of building and flying remote control airplanes. He was a member of HARKS, Bomber Field and Brenham P-C Flying Clubs.

A memorial service to celebrate Kirby's life will be held on Thursday, September 26 at 2:00 in the afternoon at Dettling Funeral Home, 14094 Memorial Drive.

In lieu of flowers, remembrances can be made to MD Anderson Cancer Center or charity of choice.

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FORTENBERRY



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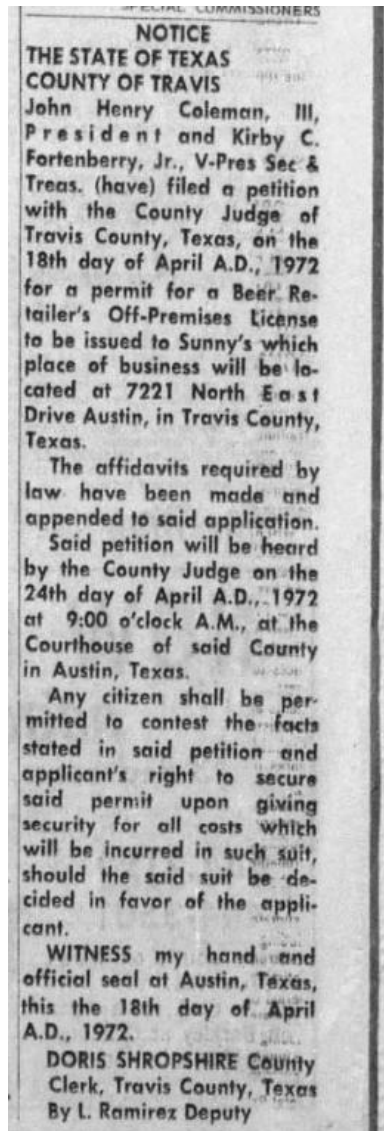
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Visit www.DettlingFuneral.com to leave online tributes.

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Clyde Edward Fortenberry Clyde Edward Fortenberry, age 70, of Kyle, passed away Friday, June 15. He was born on August 1, 1941 in Houston and graduated from Bellaire High School in 1959, where he lettered in football. He received an athletic scholarship from Fort Lewis College in Durango, Colorado. He earned a BBA from the University of Houston in 1965, where he was President of the American Marketing Association, member of Sigma Alpha Epsilon Fraternity. After college, Clyde served six years in the Texas National Guard, 36th Division, and the US Army Reserves, 45th Maneuver Area Command. Clyde's career spanned over thirty years in group health insurance and administration. He was a Certified Life Underwriter and served many years as President of his TPA business, CAPSCO, in Austin. In 1993, Clyde sold CAPSCO and formed Bent Tree Management Corporation in Houston, Texas where he owned and operated a commercial shopping center. Clyde was a member of the Coronado Masonic Lodge #107, AF&AM in El Paso, the Galveston Scottish Rite, Ben Hur Shriners of Austin and Golf Unit, where he served as President. He was a member of the Patrick Henry Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution and a member of Wimberley Presbyterian Church. He is preceded in death by his parents, Kirby Carl Fortenberry and Lillian Stephens Fortenberry, a brother, H. W. Hillebrandt, Jr. and his sons, Blake and Lee Fortenberry. He is survived by his wife, Sandy, a grandson, Kirby Lee Fortenberry, of Plano, his step-daughter, Heather, and husband Charles Casey of Kyle, brother Kirby Carl Fortenberry Jr, and wife Shirley, of Chappell Hill, sister, Anna Wingfield of Houston, and many nieces and nephews. There will be a graveside service at 3:00 p.m., Sunday June 17, 2012, at Capital Memorial Park in Pflugerville.

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Son Clyde Edward Fortenberry (1941-2012) – Find A Grave 167153767

BIRTH RECORDS	
Mr. and Mrs.— Charles Vance Newell, 420 Crestwood, girl, September 1.	William Sinclair, Jr., 3656 Locke Lane, girl, July 19.
Thurlow Love, 5110 Jefferson, girl, Au- gust 25.	Kirby Fortenberry, Sr., 3406 Wichita, boy, August 1.
	Eugene Milburn, 2902 Sadler, girl, Au- gust 4.
	Carl Smith, 3415 Goldsmith, boy, Au-

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Clyde Edward Fortenberry

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Name	Clyde Edward Fortenberry
Gender	Male
Birth Date	1 Aug 1941
Birth Place	Harris, Texas, USA
Father	Kirby Carl Fortenberry
Mother	Lillian Stephens
Roll number	1941_0003

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He is preceded in death by his parents, Kirby Carl Fortenberry and Lillian Stephens Fortenberry, a brother, H. W. Hillebrandt, Jr. and his sons, Blake and Lee Fortenberry.

He is survived by his wife, Sandy, a grandson, Kirby Lee Fortenberry, of Plano, his step-daughter, Heather, and husband Charles Casey of Kyle, brother Kirby Carl Fortenberry Jr, and wife Shirley, of Chappell Hill, sister, Anna Wingfield of Houston, and many nieces and nephews.

There will be a graveside service at 3:00 p.m., Sunday June 17, 2012, at Capital Memorial Park in Pflugerville.

For those unable to attend services you may sign the "Guest Book" at www.harrellfuneralhomes.com.

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Clyde Fortenberry

in the U.S., School Yearbooks, 1900-2016



Detail	Source
Name	Clyde Fortenberry
Estimated Age	16
Birth Year	abt 1941
Yearbook Date	1957
School	Bellaire High School
School Location	Bellaire, Texas, USA

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Texas, Marriage Collection, 1814-1909 and 1966-2011

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Name	Clyde Edward Fortenberry
Gender	Male
Age	24
Birth Date	abt 1942
Marriage Date	9 Apr 1966
Marriage Place	Harris, Texas, USA
Spouse	Kathryn Elizabeth Hackel
Case Number	2491966026065

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Texas, Divorce Index, 1968-2011

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Name	Clyde E Fortenberry
Gender	Male
Divorce Age	51
Birth Date	1941
Marriage Date	9 Apr 1966
Divorce Date	25 Sep 1992
Divorce Place	Travis, Texas, USA
Spouse	Kathryn Fortenberry
Number of Children	1
Case Number	069598

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Kathryn Fortenberry

Kathryn Elizabeth Hackel Fortenberry, age 61, of Ft. Worth, formerly of Marlin, entered into rest on Monday, November 21, 2004.

Services will be 2:00 p.m. Saturday graveside at Hillcrest Cemetery with Rev. Stan Ortner officiating. The family will receive friends on Friday evening from 6:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. at Adams Funeral Home.

Mrs. Fortenberry was born March 6, 1943, in Jacksonville, Florida, to Leroy and Lola Belle (Maxie) Hackel. She graduated from Marlin High School, attended Southwest Texas State University in San Marcus. She worked for a number of years for the FDIC and the United States Bureau of Engraving and Printing. She was a certified Graphoanalyst and a charter member of the International Graphoanalyst Society.

Mrs. Fortenberry was preceded in death by her son, Blake Edward Fortenberry. She was a member of the Presbyterian church, loved NASCAR and played word games internationally on the internet.

Survivors include her son, Lee Carl Fortenberry of Arlington; grandson, Kirby Lee Fortenberry of Plano; brother, Ric Hackel and wife, Linda of Ft. Worth; special friend, James Bradley of Palmer; a number of nieces and nephews and a host of friends.

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Homer Ellis Nielsen

Homer Ellis Nielsen, 89, lifelong resident of Austin, Texas, died in San Marcos on Saturday, September 15, 2007. He was born July 12, 1918, to Adelia and William F. Nielsen. He was preceded in death by his wife of 41 years, Ruth; two brothers, William Morris Nielsen and Fred Nielsen; two baby sisters, Dorothy Lee and Mary Louise, and his other loving sister, Lillian Nielsen Walker.

Homer Ellis is survived by his daughter, Sandy Fortenberry, and her husband Clyde of Kyle; and his son, Don Nielsen, and his wife, Vicki of Austin; two step-daughters, Dorris Livingstone, and husband Roy, of Dunedin, Florida, and Shirley Pulliam, and husband, Clyde, of Hutto.

He is also survived by two very special sisters, Mae Manning and husband, Mike, of Round Rock, and Ruth Smith and her husband, J.B., of Lago Vista. Homer has five grandchildren, Heather Casey and husband Charles, of Kyle; Jessica, Katie and Lyndsay Nielsen of Austin, and Heather Lynn Pendergrast, of Cedar Creek. He was blessed with one great-grandchild, Sage Edith Casey. Ellis also had very special nieces and nephews that were very close to his heart. He will always be there Uncle Bippy.

Homer served in World War II as a Staff Sergeant in the Asiatic-Pacific Theatre in Company C, 331st Engineer Combat Battalion and received several decorations during this service. He was always proud of his service to his country. Many friendships continued throughout his lifetime with fellow officers.

Homer was a member of Onion Creek Masonic Lodge No. 220, A.F.&A.M. for over 50 years. He attended the original Pleasant Hill School, which also served as the lodge building for the Masons in the mid 1920's. He was very proud of his heritage and of his grandfather coming to central Texas from Copenhagen, Denmark, who owned a cotton gin at St. Elmo Road and South Congress Avenue. Homer was instrumental in documenting family history for the historical marker on the Boggy Creek Masonic Cemetery in south Austin. Homer retired as Warehouse Manager in 1976 with over 30 years of service with the Eli Witt Cigar Company, a Hav-A-Tampa owned company, which was originally located at 4th and Colorado Street. His career with the company brought many wonderful friendships.

Homer was baptized in Christ in 1956 at the Southside Church of Christ. He was a gentleman and will be missed for his kind heart and generosity.

The Family of Mr. Nielsen express their gratitude to the nurses and staff of the CTMC Hospice Care in San Marcos.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to CTMC Hospice Care, 1315 I-H 35 North, San Marcos, TX 78666; or Onion Creek Masonic Lodge No. 220.

Family visitation will be held from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m., Tuesday, September 18, 2007, at Harrell Funeral Home, 4435+ Frontier Trail, Austin. Graveside services will be at 11:00 a.m., under the direction of Rev. Don R. Long at the Boggy Creek Masonic Cemetery, located on Circle S. Drive off of William Cannon. A celebration of Homer's life will be after the services at Onion Creek Masonic Lodge, 706 N. Bluff Drive, Austin, Texas.

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Clyde E Fortenberry

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Detail	Source
Name	Clyde E Fortenberry
Gender	Male
Age	52
Birth Date	abt 1941
Marriage Date	14 Aug 1993
Marriage Place	Travis, Texas, USA
Spouse	Sandra K Nielsen
Case Number	52141993089017

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Sandra Nielsen Browning

in the Texas, U.S., Select County Marriage Records, 1837-1965



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Detail	Source
Name	Sandra Nielsen Browning
Gender	Female
Marriage Date	14 Aug 1993
Marriage Place	Travis, Texas, USA
Spouse	Clyde Edward Fortenberry
Certificate Number	94084

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Sandra K Fortenberry

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Detail	Source
Name	Sandra K Fortenberry
Gender	Female
Divorce Age	45
Birth Date	1951
Marriage Date	14 Aug 1993
Divorce Date	9 Jul 1996
Divorce Place	Harris, Texas, USA
Spouse	Clyde E Fortenberry
Number of Children	0
Case Number	044910

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Nielsen-Browning

Miss Sandra Kay Nielsen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Homer Ellis Nielsen, 704 Buckingham Cir., became the bride of Clint Rayburn Browning, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Browning, 1119 Mission Ridge, Saturday evening in the Southside Church of Christ, with David Malone officiating. A reception was held at the Ramada-Gondolier.

Both are graduates of Travis High School. The bride is employed by Texas Youth Council, and the groom is a senior at the University of Texas. They will reside at 1202 Newning.

Mr. Nielsen gave his daughter in marriage. Mrs. William A. Hill was matron of honor; and Miss Susan

Godfrey, Miss Sherry Holden, Miss Sonja Reeh and Miss Brenda Smith were bridesmaids. Stephanie Pate was flower girl. The groom's brother, Mark Browning, was best man, and Doug Balfour, William Hyden, Fred Vesperman of Deer Park and Kerry Moore were groomsmen. Lance Richard White was ring bearer.

The bride wore an empire gown of white velvet trimmed with fur and featuring a chapel train. Her train-length veil was held by a white fur circlet, and her bouquet of phalaenopsis orchids and feathered carnations was centered with a japid orchid.

Her attendants wore white velvet dresses and carried white fur muffs.



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Sandra Kay Nielsen

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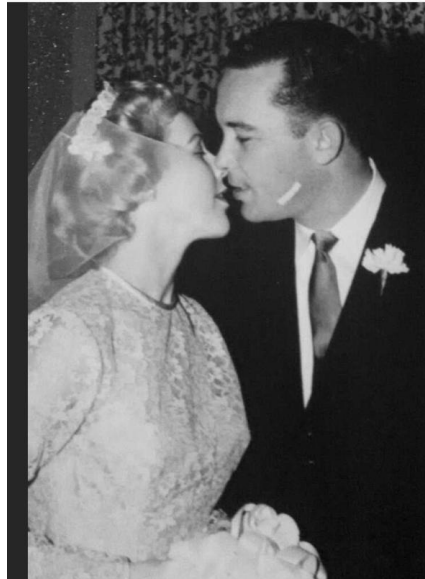
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Stepson: son of 2nd wife Lillian Stephens by her 1st husband Harvey Worth Hildebrandt St.



Harvey Worth Hillebrandt
San Jacinto High School
Houston, Texas
1946

Stepson Harvey Worth Hildebrandt Jr. (1928-1981) - Find A Grave 111256489



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County of Harris Registration District No. 225 File No. 93566

City Houston, Texas (No. BAPTIST HOSPITAL St. Leschman Ward)

(2) FULL NAME OF CHILD Harvey Worth Hildebrandt

(1) Sex of Child male (4) Twin, triplet, or other no (5) Number in order of birth 1 (6) Legitimate (Yes or No) yes (7) Date of Birth Nov 15, 1928 (Month) (Day) (Year)

(8) FULL NAME Harvey Worth Hildebrandt (14) FULL MAIDEN NAME Lillian Stephens

(9) RESIDENCE Post Office Address 7908 Harrisburg Blvd (15) RESIDENCE Post Office Address 7908 Harrisburg

(16) COLOR White (17) AGE AT LAST BIRTHDAY 23 (18) COLOR White (19) AGE AT LAST BIRTHDAY 29

(12) BIRTHPLACE La. (13) BIRTHPLACE N. Mex

(18) OCCUPATION R.R. Fireman (19) OCCUPATION H.W.

(20) Number of children born to this mother, including present birth 1 (21) Number of children of this father now living 1

(22) CERTIFICATE OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN OR MIDWIFE

I hereby certify that I attended the birth of this child, who was born alive at 11 37 a.m. on the date above stated stillborn

(Signature) Redy Georn (Physician or Midwife)

Address Redy Georn 225

Give name added from a supplemental report Redy Georn, 1928

Register. (23) Filed Nov 18 1928 Registrar. J.M. D. M. D.

(24) Were prophylactic precautions taken at time of birth to prevent ophthalmia neonatorum? Yes yes No no

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Texas, Select County Marriage Records, 1837-2015



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Name Harvey Worth Hillebrandt Jr
 Gender Male
 Marriage Date 21 Nov 1958
 Marriage Place Harris, Texas, USA
 Spouse Mary Maureen Greene
 Document Number 237857

THE STATE OF TEXAS
 COUNTY OF HARRIS

To all licensed or ordained Ministers of the Gospel, Jewish Rabbis, or Officers of religious Organizations, which Officers are duly authorized by the Organization to perform marriage ceremonies, Judges of the District and County Courts, and Justices of the Peace, Greeting:

You, or either of you, are hereby authorized to join

In the Holy Union of Matrimony

Harvey Worth Hillebrandt Jr
 with
Miss Mary Maureen Greene
 accordance with the Laws of the State

HEREIN FAIL NOT, that you make due return of this, your authority, to my office in the City of Houston, within sixty days thereafter, certifying in what capacity you executed the same.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, witness W. D. Miller, Clerk of the County Court in and for said County and State, and official seal at office in Houston, this 17 day of Nov, A. D. 1958.

W. D. MILLER
 Clerk County Court, Harris County, Texas.
 By K. J. Miller Deputy

Certificate Filed 11-17-58
 Examination, Men 11-18-58
 Examination, Women 11-12-58

OFFICER'S RETURN

Solemnized by the undersigned authority this 21 day of November, 1958
John C. Lammie
Minister, First Christian Church
Houston, Texas

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THE STATE OF TEXAS
County of Harris

COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE
Houston, Texas, Nov 17 1958

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in accordance with the laws of the State.

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(Seal) W. D. MILLER
Clerk County Court, Harris County, Texas.
By Robert K. Marshall

No. 237857 OFFICER'S RETURN
Solemnized by the undersigned authority, this 21 day of December, 1958
Certificates Filed 11-17-58 John P. Knudsen
Examination, Man 11-14-58 Ministry - Houston, Texas
Examination, Woman 11-12-58

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE
Medical certificate by W. M. Pratt M. D., of HO Texas,
filed 17 day of Nov 1958

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Mary Maureen Greene - <https://www.ancestry.com/mediaui-viewer/tree/73595516/person/42277284266/media/4b27672f-c019-4b97-978c-eb819065c652>

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Name Harvey Worth Hillebrandt Jr
 Gender Male
 Marriage Date 14 Oct 1950
 Marriage Place Harris, Texas, USA
 Spouse Mary Jean Shotwell

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MRS. H. W. HILLEBRANDT, JR.
T. C. U. students wed

Couple Married In Simple Ceremony

In an informal ceremony on the afternoon of October 14, Miss Mary Jean Shotwell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jean Shotwell of Lufkin, became the bride of Harvey Worth Hillebrandt, Jr. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. K. C. Fortenberry, 3406 Wichita. Rev. Henry J. Kacel performed the double-ring ceremony.

The couple was attended by Mrs. George Williford and George Billings. George Williford served as groomsman.

The bride wore a dusty pink suit with dark brown suede accessories, and a pink beaver hat.

After a wedding trip to Fort Worth, the couple will live at 3406 Wichita.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Hillebrandt were students at Texas Christian University.

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Vows Said By Couple

Miss Mary Jean Shotwell and Harvey Worth Hillebrandt Jr were married in Houston on Oct 14. Justice of the Peace Henry J. Kacel performed the ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Mr and Mrs Jean Shotwell of Lufkin and Mr Hillebrandt is



MRS H. W. HILLEBRANDT JR
October Wedding

the son of Mr and Mrs K. C. Fortenberry, 3406 Wichita St. Mrs George Williford and George Billings served the couple as honor attendants. The groomsmen was Mr Williford.

For the ceremony the bride wore a dusty pink suit with a teal blue blouse and dark brown shoes and bag. Her hat was of pink beaver.

After a wedding trip to Fort Worth, Mr and Mrs Hillebrandt will return to Houston to live.

The bride attended Texas Christian University and Stephen F. Austin State College. Mr Hillebrandt attended Texas Christian University.

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Mary J Shotwell

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Detail	Source
Name	Mary J Shotwell
Gender	Female
Age	53
Birth Date	abt 1931
Marriage Date	1 Sep 1984
Marriage Place	Angelina, Texas, USA
Spouse	Carl Basey
Case Number	53131984132561

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Mary Jean Maroney passed away Thursday, September 8, 2011 in Lufkin after an illness following complications from surgery. Mary Jean was born to Thomas Jean Shotwell and Mary Emma Garvice Stuart Shotwell on September 1, 1931.

She attended Lufkin High School and Texas Christian University. She married J.T. Maroney, Jr. on April 30, 1952. They had three children, Melinda Maroney Johnston, James Travis Maroney, III, and David Jean Maroney. Mary Jean and Judge Maroney were married 30 years. Mary Jean wrote for the Diboll Free Press for many years. She was active in the Democratic Party in Angelina County and on the state and national level for many years. She attended the Democratic National Convention in 1960 to nominate Lyndon Johnson for President. Mary Jean and J.T. continued to be active in politics for many years, participating in several state and national campaigns. Mary Jean enjoyed hunting and fishing with her brothers, Ned and Buddy, and parents, Garvice and Jean. She fished and hunted for many years in Colorado when she was younger, and later was always a familiar face on Sam Rayburn fishing for bass. She also enjoyed many years of golfing with J.T. She was surrounded in life by a host of cousins, nieces and nephews. Mary Jean never met a stranger. Her smile and laugh were infectious. She had a joy for living and the out of doors. She was an avid gardener and always enjoyed her yard. She was recently named Garden Club Member of the Year.

Mary Jean was preceded in death by her husband, her parents, and her brothers.

She is survived by her children, Melinda Maroney Johnston and her husband Jerry, Travis Maroney and Lisa Scott, and David Maroney. She is also survived by her grandchildren, Justin Williams and his wife Pam of Austin, Ryan Williams and her husband Jeremiah Raya of Austin, J.T. Maroney IV and his wife Shelley of Boerne, and David Jean Maroney, Jr. of Pollok. She is survived by three great grandchildren, Ali and Kylie Maroney of Boerne, and Layla Grayce Williams-Raya of Austin.

Burial will be private.

In lieu of flowers, the family has requested that memorial contributions be made to the Dogwood Garden Club in care of Edna Killion, 1207 Oleta Ave, Lufkin, Texas 75901; or to the Pine Tree Garden Club in care of Pat Brasse, 1006 Champions Dr., Lufkin, Texas 75901.

Carroway Funeral Home, Lufkin, directors

Published in The Lufkin Daily News from September 11 to



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September 1—William W. Fortenberry, male, white, age 53 years 2 months 6 days, cancer of larynx.

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W. W. FORTENBERRY.

W. W. Fortenberry, aged 53 years, died at his home, 2218 Smith street, yesterday afternoon at 1:15 o'clock. Shipment of the body will be made to Chester, Tyler county, for burial, the old home, interment to be made Sunday afternoon. Deceased was a native of Mississippi, removed to Texas in the early days and had made this State his home since. Mr. Fortenberry is survived by the widow, three sisters, three brothers, three daughters and one son, as follows: Mrs. Mollie Walker of Mobile, Mrs. Lillie Davis of Beaumont, Mrs. Lola King of Port Arthur, the sisters; J. L. Fortenberry of Lufkin, J. N. Fortenberry of Huntington, R. L. Fortenberry of Emilee, the brothers; Mrs. C. P. Myers of Houston, Mrs. W. P. Mays of Silsbee, Mrs. E. L. Bailey of Houston, the daughters. The son is Master K. C. Fortenberry. Mr. Fortenberry was a brother-in-law of John H. Kirby and all offices of the Kirby Lumber company will close today at noon and will remain closed the remainder of the day. Shipment of the body will be made Sunday morning at 6:30 o'clock via the Southern Pacific.

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Mother

W. W. Fortenberry

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Detail Source

Name	W. W. Fortenberry
Marriage Date	15 Dec 1879
Marriage Place	Tyler, Texas, USA
Spouse	Amanda Kirby

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FORTENBERRY—Mrs. Amanda Jane Kirby Fortenberry, 103, 3706 Robinhood, died 8:50 a.m. Friday in her home. Was born near Peach Tree Village, lived in Houston 60 years. Member First Church of Christ, Scientist. Sister of the late John Henry Kirby. Survivors: Son, Kirby Carl Fortenberry, Houston; nine grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren; number of great-great-grandchildren. Arrangements pending. Settegast-Kopf Funeral Home, 3320 Kirby, JA 6-2411.

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THE HOUSTON POST
SATURDAY, AUGUST 16, 1958

Mrs Fortenberry Still Agile at 100

*She Goes Up and Down Stairs,
Has Never Been in Hospital*

By CHARLOTTE PHELAN, Post Women's Staff

Mrs Amanda Kirby Fortenberry sat very erect, her hands folded placidly or fingering an aged palm fan, as she chatted amiably and energetically with relatives on the eve of her 100th birthday, which she will celebrate with fitting auspiciousness Saturday.

She is white-haired, of course.

Slight, white-haired, of course, and poised, Mrs Fortenberry sipped coffee and discussed her approaching milestone as if it were an every day affair.

Mrs Fortenberry, who is the sister of John Henry Kirby, Houston's famed lumber and oil pioneer, still lives in the same house at the corner of Smith and Hadley that she and her husband moved into when they came to Houston Feb 2, 1902. Her husband, William Wilkins Fortenberry, a contractor whom she married in 1879, died in 1911.

LIVING WITH her is a family friend, Miss Nina Brough, who is a professional nurse. "Not my nurse," Mrs Fortenberry interjected quickly when the subject came up. And, she added pointedly, "I've never been in a hospital, except to visit friends, in my life."

Mrs Fortenberry emphasized also that she only wears glasses when she writes. "I can read better without them." Was she enjoying second eyesight? "I've had it," she said.

Her only living son, Kirby Carl Fortenberry, said, "She still writes to her friends and visits a lot on the phone. People are always dropping by to see her and she loves it."

Mrs Fortenberry said she no longer can go to church, but she was a charter member and active for many years in Houston's First Church of Christ, Scientist.

"There were woods all around the house," Mrs Fortenberry recalled when she moved to the large, two-story, high-ceilinged home not far from Mr Kirby's home, which is now the headquarters for the Houston and Harris County Red Cross.

And, she can claim to be one of the few Houstonians who keeps chickens in her yard right up to this day. Actually, it is one chicken at the moment, a white hen.

"I had a rooster to crow for me and a hen to lay eggs for me, but while I was away someone stole the rooster." She recently returned from a month's visit

with her daughter, Mrs W. P. Mayo of Silsbee.

MANY YEARS ago she also kept a cow. But she explained, "Oh, it's built up out there now."

Mrs Fortenberry, whose living quarters are upstairs, goes up and down the stairs as often as she wants to. She admits that she has suffered a number of falls, but none has caused serious injury nor broken a bone.

"Nina says I'm rubber," the 100-year-old Mrs Fortenberry explained complacently.

She admits that her memory has depreciated slightly, especially where dates are concerned, and that she doesn't get around quite as much as she used to. She still frequently makes overnight visits to the homes of relatives, including her granddaughter, Mrs B. Magruder Wingfield Jr.

Her family still chuckles over a visit that Mrs Fortenberry and a friend, 12 years her junior, made in the latter's English Ford to see Mrs Mayo in Silsbee. Mrs Fortenberry was 97 at the time and her friend, 85.

When Mrs Fortenberry returned home she commented to her son and Mrs Wingfield, "You'd think people had never seen an English Ford before. Everybody we passed, especially truck drivers, would look at us and laugh as we went by."

Mrs Fortenberry was one of seven children born to Mr and Mrs John Thomas Kirby in their log cabin in the East Texas set-

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100 YEARS

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tlement in Tyler County with the colorful name of Peachtree Village. She was born Aug 16, 1858. John Henry Kirby, who died in 1940, was born two years later. Peachtree Village and its numerous landmarks are now part of Former Gov Allan Shivers' East Texas farm.

MR AND MRS Fortenberry had six children, all born before they moved to Houston. Mrs Mayo and Kirby Carl Fortenberry are the only two still living.

Keynote event of Mrs Fortenberry's birthday Saturday will be an open house, from 4 to 6 PM, at Mr and Mrs Wingfield's home.

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STATE OF TEXAS 101-06-1 101-06		CERTIFICATE OF DEATH		STATE FILE NO. 43483	
1. PLACE OF DEATH a. COUNTY Harris		2. USUAL RESIDENCE (Where deceased lived. If institution, residence before death) a. STATE Texas b. COUNTY Harris			
b. CITY OR TOWN (If outside city limits, give precinct no.) West University Place		c. LENGTH OF STAY 60 years		d. CITY OR TOWN (If outside city limits, give precinct no.) West University Place	
e. NAME OF DECEASED (Give full name) AMANDA FORTENBERRY		f. STREET ADDRESS (If rural, give location) 3706 Robinhood		g. IS RESIDENCE ON A FARM? YES ☐ NO ☒	
h. NAME OF DECEASED (If not a hospital, give street address) 3706 Robinhood		i. IS RESIDENCE IN A CITY LIMITS? YES ☒ NO ☐		j. IS RESIDENCE ON A FARM? YES ☐ NO ☒	
k. NAME OF DECEASED (If not a hospital, give street address) AMANDA FORTENBERRY		l. DATE OF DEATH July 6, 1962		m. AGE IN YEARS (If under 1 year, give months, days, hours, minutes) 103	
n. SEX Female		o. COLOR OR RACE White		p. DATE OF BIRTH August 16, 1858	
q. MARRIAGE STATUS Married ☐ Never Married ☒ Widowed ☒ Divorced ☐		r. BIRTHPLACE (State or foreign country) Peachtree Village, Texas		s. CITIZEN OF WHAT COUNTRY? USA	
t. FATHER'S NAME John Thomas Kirby		u. SOCIAL SECURITY NO. [Redacted]		v. MOTHER'S MARRIAGE NAME Sarah Payne	
w. WAS DECEASED EVER TRULY MARRIED? Yes ☒ No ☐ (If yes, give year or date of marriage)		x. CAUSE OF DEATH (Enter only one cause per line for (a), (b), and (c).) PART I. DEATH WAS CAUSED BY: IMMEDIATE CAUSE (a) Congestive heart failure due to DUE TO (b) arteriosclerotic heart disease. DUE TO (c) [Redacted]		y. INQUEST YES ☒ NO ☐	
z. PART II. OTHER SIGNIFICANT CONDITIONS CONTRIBUTING TO DEATH BUT NOT RELATED TO THE TERMINAL DISEASE CONDITION GIVEN IN PART (a) (b) (c) [Redacted]		aa. ACCIDENT SUICIDE HOMICIDE [Redacted]		ab. DESCRIBE HOW INJURY OCCURRED: (Enter nature of injury in Part I or Part II of item 18)	
ac. TIME OF INJURY Hour: [Redacted] Minute: [Redacted]		ad. PLACE OF INJURY (e.g., in or about home, farm, factory, street, office building, etc.) Houston Harris Texas		ae. CITY, TOWN, OR LOCATION Houston Harris Texas	
af. INJURY OCCURRED [Redacted]		ag. SIGNATURE OF DECEASED [Redacted]		ah. ADDRESS 209 Court House, Houston, Tex. 7-11-62	
ai. SIGNATURE OF DECEASED [Redacted]		aj. DATE July 9, 1962		ak. NAME OF CEMETERY OR CREMATORY Forest Park West Cemetery	
al. BURIAL, CREMATION, REMOVAL (Specify) Burial		am. DATE July 9, 1962		an. FUNERAL DIRECTOR'S SIGNATURE [Redacted]	
ao. LOCATION Houston Texas		ap. DATE REC'D BY LOCAL REGISTRAR JULY 12, 1962		aq. SIGNATURE OF LOCAL REGISTRAR [Redacted]	
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John Henry Kirby, Widely Known Texas Lumberman, Dies

**Business Leader
Succumbs at 79
To Long Illness**

John Henry Kirby, Houston lumberman and financier, died at his home, 2906 Smith, at 10:10 p. m. Saturday. He had been ill several months.

He would have been 80 years old next Saturday.

Surviving are his widow, two sisters, Mrs. Amanda Kirby Fortenberry and Mrs. Aurella Kirby Burch; two granddaughters, Mrs. C. E. Tooke and Miss Betty Kirby Stewart; a grandson, John Henry Kirby II, and three great grandchildren, all of Houston.

Funeral Monday

Funeral services will be held at the home at 3 p. m. Monday with Bishop Clinton S. Quin officiating. Entombment will be in Forest Park mausoleum.



JOHN HENRY KIRBY

From a farm in Tyler county where he was born, Mr. Kirby rose through hard work and vision to become one of Texas' wealthiest and most influential citizens. He often said work was his hobby.

He was one of the pioneer lumbermen of Texas, envisioning the possibilities of the industry while he was practicing law in Woodville in 1885.

Climb Toward Top

His climb toward the top started when he persuaded Eastern capitalists to invest in the lumber business in East Texas. This led to the establishment of the Kirby Lumber company here in 1890.

At the time of his death, Mr. Kirby was still chairman of the board of directors of the Kirby Lumber company, although active management was in the hands of others.

Mr. Kirby was born on Nov. 16, 1860, in Tyler county. He left his father's farm when he was 18 years old, but was able to obtain only about 15 months education in a little more than three years.

Was Clerk In Legislature

His first full-time job was that of calendar clerk in the Texas senate. Short of funds and compelled to leave Southwestern university at Georgetown after an attendance of three months, he asked the assistance of Sam B. Cooper of Woodville in locating a job. Mr. Cooper represented his district in the senate and took Mr. Kirby under his wing.

Mr. Kirby served as clerk in the Eighteenth legislature and then after a brief period of employment in the office of tax collector of Tyler county, he began to read law in Mr. Cooper's office.

In 1885, when he was 25, he was admitted to the bar at Woodville.

Two years before he had married Miss Lelia Wynne Stewart of Woodville.

Shortly after he was admitted to the bar he began a series of moves that identified him with the lumber industry and which ultimately made him one of the wealthiest men in the state.

Looking out over the vast stretches of virgin timber in East Texas he visioned early in life the possibilities of the lumber industry in Texas.

He was successful in getting the backing of Eastern capital, mostly from Boston, and launched a business that made him and others a fortune.

Acquired Timber Land

He acquired considerable timber land. Subsequently he logged it and built a business that became extremely profitable.

Expansion was necessary, and in 1890—he was then 30—he came to Houston to organize the Kirby Lumber company with a capital of \$10,000,000 and assets reported at more than \$40,000,000.

But a growing lumber business was not enough to keep the ambitious Mr. Kirby busy. In between his busy days running the lumber company he found time to build a railroad which was known as the Gulf, Beaumont and Kansas City. It ran from Beaumont to San Augustine, a distance of 150 miles. He sold it in 1900.

Active In Many Fields

From 1900 until a few years ago, he was active in many fields. In 1903 he was chosen president of a Texas commission of 70, known as

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John Henry Kirby, Widely Known Lumberman, Dies

Long Illness Fatal To Noted Texan at 79

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the Texas World's Fair commission, appointed by Governor Sayers. He served throughout the period of the World's fair at St. Louis.

Soon afterward he became president of the Trans-Mississippi Commercial congress, then organizer of the Texas Five Million club, the purpose of which was to promote the material interests of the state and to attract desirable immigration for its development.

He was the organizer and vice president of the Southern Pine association, president of the National Lumber Manufacturers association, and other high offices during this period.

Recipient Of Many Honors

He was reelected president of the National Lumber Manufacturers' association in 1921, but he declined the office in order to accept the presidency of the Southern Pine association.

He was the recipient of many honors during his life. The day congress declared war, President Wilson appointed him a member of the Council of National Defense.

He closed his desk in Texas and went to Washington where he assisted in mobilizing the nation's resources.

Later he was appointed lumber administrator for the South for the Emergency Fleet corporation with headquarters in New Orleans. He served until the policy of building wooden ships was abandoned.

Honored By Harding

In 1921 he was chosen a member of the president's unemployment conference, and in 1922 he was named by President Harding as one of the commissioners to represent the United States at the Brazilian Centennial Exposition.

In politics, Mr. Kirby was a Democrat. From 1912 to 1914 he served in the legislature as a representative from Harris county.

Mr. Kirby was a bitter foe of the New Deal.

He had a deep devotion for the Constitution of the United States, and friends said that he usually carried a copy of it in his pocket.

Much of the New Deal legislation, Mr. Kirby charged, was in violation of the Constitution.

Opposed F. D. R. In 1936

He lined up thousands of Southern Democrats against the New Deal through the promotion of his Southern Committee to Uphold the Constitution. He claimed an organization of 50,000 enrollees and the support of 70 per cent of the Southern electorate.

Despite Mr. Kirby's efforts, President Roosevelt was returned to office for a second term in 1936.

In 1937, Mr. Kirby walked out of a chamber of commerce banquet in Beaumont after a speaker, John Owens, a Dallas banker, lauded President Roosevelt and the New Deal and criticized the supreme court for invalidating New Deal laws.

association of New Orleans, the Federation of Construction Industries of Philadelphia, Merchant Marine association of Washington, the National Economic league of Boston, the United States chamber of commerce and the Southern Tariff association.

Was a Mason

There were few civic clubs in Houston to which he did not belong. He was a thirty-second degree Mason, a Knights Templar, and a Shriner.

He was also a member of the Elks, the Moose, Knights of Pythias, Woodmen of the World and Hoo-Hoo, a lumberman's social organization.

In 1929 he received an honorary law degree from Lincoln university at Cumberland Gap, Tenn. The degree was given in recognition of his preeminence as a patriot, philanthropist and man of affairs as expressed in his large business connections and management, his civic leadership and devotion to higher education.

Lost in Depression

Mr. Kirby lost heavily during the depression of the early thirties and his personal fortune dwindled to a point where he was forced to file a bankruptcy petition in 1933.

In the petition, Mr. Kirby pointed out that the proceedings did not in any way affect the Kirby Lumber company or the Kirby Petroleum corporation "nor any other corporation in which I am a director or officer."

At the time of his death Mr. Kirby was chairman of the board

laws.

Mr. Kirby was a member of many national organizations and state and local groups. Among the national organizations devoted to the promotion of the nation's economic progress were the Mississippi Valley

of directors of the Kirby Lumber company, although active management of the firm was in the hands of others.

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Siblings:

MRS. EDITH L. MYER.

Funeral services for Mrs. Edith L. Myer, wife of Clayton P. Myer, will be held at 3 o'clock Thursday afternoon from the home of her mother, Mrs. Amanda Kirby Fortenberry, 2218 Smith street, where death occurred early Wednesday morning. Interment will be made in Glenwood cemetery.

Mrs. Myer was born at Peach Tree village in Tyler county, February 18, 1876, and is survived by her husband and three children, Cecil David Myer, now in the army, attached to company I, 19th infantry, U. S. army, stationed at Goose Creek; Miss Fayme Myer, who is a student of the State normal at Denton, and Clyde Myer. Her mother, one sister, Mrs. W. P. Mayo, and one brother Kirby Carl Fortenberry, also survive her.

The pallbearers: Active, chosen from her uncles and near relatives, are John H. Kirby, R. L. Weathersby, Kirby C. Fortenberry, William Perry Mayo, W. W. Wilson and Eugene C. Downman.

The honorary pallbearers: B. F. Bonner, H. T. Kendall, R. F. Ford, W. T. Hancock, J. T. McCarthy, Rodney Browne, W. E. Farnan, W. H. Bailey, George R. Christle, John G. Logue, E. D. Bloxsom, E. J. Eyres, A. W. Hurley and Perry W. Everetts.

Edith L Myer

Obituary

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Sister Edith Lucille Fortenberry Myer (1877-1917) – Find A Grave 94277421

Mrs. Edith L. Myer Is Called by Death; Funeral Thursday

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The following active pallbearers have been chosen from her uncles and near relatives: John H. Kirby, R. L. Weathersby, Kirby C. Fortenberry, William Perry Mayo, W. W. Willson, Eugene C. Downman.

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STANDARD CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

PLACE OF DEATH 27904
County Harris
City Houston (No. 2315 Smith St. 4 Ward) (If death occurred in a hospital or institution, give its NAME instead of number.)

FULL NAME Mrs. Edith Lucile Myer 31496

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

1 SEX Female
2 RACE White
3 DATE OF BIRTH Feb 18 1876
4 COLOR OR RACE White
5 SINGLE, MARRIED, WIDOWED, OR DIVORCED Married
6 AGE 41 yrs. 9 mos. 3 ds.
7 OCCUPATION House wife
8 BIRTHPLACE Texas
9 NAME OF FATHER W. W. Fortenberry
10 BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER unknown
11 MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER Amanda
12 BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER unknown
13 THE ABOVE IS TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE (Informant) C. P. Myer (Address) Houston, Tex.
14 SIGNATURE OF REGISTRAR 11/21/17 R. P. Herndon

MEDICAL PARTICULARS

15 DATE OF DEATH Nov. 21, 1917
16 I HEREBY CERTIFY, That I attended deceased from May 20, 1917 to Nov. 21, 1917, that I last saw her alive on Nov. 21, 1917, and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at 2:30 p.m.
17 THE CAUSE OF DEATH* was as follows: Cachexia from Otero-Sarcoma
18 LENGTH OF RESIDENCE (For Hospitals, Institutions, Transients, or Recent Residents) At place of death 20 yrs. 10 mos. 11 ds. In the State of Texas 20 yrs. 10 mos. 11 ds.
19 PLACE OF BURIAL OR REMOVAL Glenwood 722-107
20 UNDERTAKER Houston and C. P. Myer

MARGIN RESERVED FOR BINDING

WRITE PLAINLY, WITH UNFADING INK—THIS IS A PERMANENT RECORD

N. B.—Every item of information should be carefully supplied. AGE should be stated EXACTLY. PHYSICIANS should be asked to state the cause of death in plain, easily understood language. Exact statement of OCCUPATION is very important. See instructions on back of certificate.

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Edith Kirby

in the Texas, U.S., Select County Marriage Records, 1837-1965



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Detail	Source
Name	Edith Kirby
Gender	Female
License Date	17 Nov 1894
License Place	Tyler, Texas, USA
Marriage Date	18 Nov 1894
Marriage Place	Tyler, Texas, USA
Spouse	Clayton Myer

<https://www.ancestry.com/search/collections/9168/records/925941395>

Cadet H. C. Fortenberry of the freshmen class died at the college infirmary at 5:30 a. m. Tuesday, May 29,. He was 18 years of age and the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Fortenberry of Silsbee, Texas. Services were held in the college chapel, after which the remains were escorted to the train by the faculty and corps of cadets.

Brother Henry Clyde Fortenberry (1880-1900) – Find A Grave 44056690

THE SAD DEATH

Of a Young Cadet at the A. and M. College.

Henry Clyde Fortenberry, son of W. W. Fortenberry of Silsbee, died yesterday at the Agricultural and Mechanical college. The remains passed through last night en route to Chester for interment.

The deceased was a nephew of Mr. John H. Kirby of this city and an exceptionally bright and promising youth. His illness was of short duration and death came in spite of the very best medical attention. His parents reached his bedside shortly before death and feel deeply grateful to officers and students of the college for kindnesses bestowed.

From one who was present at the college at the time of young Fortenberry's death it is learned that the funeral services there were strikingly solemn and

pressive. The services were conducted with full military honors. It is said to have been the first military funeral ever conducted at the college. The casket was conveyed to the railway station in a wagon completely covered with United States flags. The sad cortege moved with President L. L. Foster at its head, Colonel Edmonds leading the cadets, who marched with arms at reverse as the college band played a funeral dirge. The sorrow depicted upon the faces of the young cadets showed that they felt keenly the loss of their comrade.

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STATE OF TEXAS 101-01-1 100-01 CERTIFICATE OF DEATH 331-1 STATE FILE NO. 21706	
1. PLACE OF DEATH a. COUNTY Harris	
b. CITY OR TOWN (if outside city limits, give precinct no.) Houston	
c. LENGTH OF STAY in 1 b. 5 Weeks	
d. NAME OF (if not in hospital, give street address) HOSPITAL OR INSTITUTION 1200 California	
e. IS PLACE OF DEATH INSIDE CITY LIMITS? YES ☒ NO ☐	
2. USUAL RESIDENCE (Where deceased lived: if institution, residence before admission) a. STATE Texas b. COUNTY Harris	
c. CITY OR TOWN (if outside city limits, give precinct no.) Silsbee	
d. STREET ADDRESS (if rural, give location) 710 North 7th St.	
e. IS RESIDENCE INSIDE CITY LIMITS? YES ☒ NO ☐ f. IS RESIDENCE ON A FARM? YES ☐ NO ☒	
3. NAME OF DECEASED (Type or print) (a) First Bessie (b) Middle F. (c) Last Mayo	
4. DATE OF DEATH April 4, 1961	
5. SEX Female 6. COLOR OR RACE White 7. ☒ Married ☐ Never Married ☐ Widowed ☐ Divorced ☐	
8. DATE OF BIRTH December 13, 1882 9. AGE (In years last birthday) 78 10. UNDER 1 YEAR ☐ 11. UNDER 24 HRS ☐	
10a. USUAL OCCUPATION (Give kind of work done during most of working life, even if retired) Housewife 10b. KIND OF BUSINESS OR INDUSTRY Peachtree Village, Texas	
11. BIRTHPLACE (State or foreign country) USA 12. CITIZEN OF WHAT COUNTRY? USA	
13. FATHER'S NAME W. W. Fortenberry 14. MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME Amanda Jane Kirby	
15. WAS DECEASED EVER IN U.S. ARMED FORCES? (Yes, no, or unknown) NO 16. SOCIAL SECURITY NO. 2-11-61	
17. INFORMANT Dr. W. Mayo	
18. CAUSE OF DEATH (Enter only one cause per line for (a), (b), and (c).) PART I. DEATH WAS CAUSED BY: IMMEDIATE CAUSE (a) Cerebral Vascular Accident 3 days. DUE TO (b) Generalized Arterio-sclerosis 2 yrs. DUE TO (c) Generalized Arterio-sclerosis	
PART II. OTHER SIGNIFICANT CONDITIONS CONTRIBUTING TO DEATH BUT NOT RELATED TO THE TERMINAL DISEASE CONDITION GIVEN IN PART I (a) 20a. ACCIDENT ☐ SUICIDE ☐ HOMICIDE ☐ 20b. DESCRIBE HOW INJURY OCCURRED: (Enter nature of injury in Part I or Part II of item 18.) 20c. TIME OF INJURY Hour Month Day Year 20d. INJURY OCCURRED WHILE AT WORK ☐ NOT WHILE AT WORK ☐ 20e. PLACE OF INJURY (e.g., in or about home, farm, factory, street, office building, etc.) 20f. CITY, TOWN, OR LOCATION TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH REC'D APR 26 1961 BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS COUNTY STATE	
21. I hereby certify that I attended the deceased from February 21 19 61 to April 4 19 61 and last saw the deceased alive on April 4 19 61 Death occurred at 9 a.m. on the date stated above, and to the best of my knowledge, from the causes stated.	
22a. SIGNATURE Dr. E. Barker 22b. ADDRESS 4115 Caroline Houston 4, Texas 22c. DATE SIGNED 4-11-61	
23a. BURIAL, CREMATION, REMOVAL (Specify) Burial 23b. DATE April 6, 1961 23c. NAME OF CEMETERY OR CREMATORY Forest Park West Cemetery	
24. LOCATION Houston Texas 24. FUNERAL DIRECTOR'S SIGNATURE Settegast-Kopf Co. (John V. Morrow #615)	
25a. REGISTRAR'S FILE NO. 2512 25b. DATE REC'D BY LOCAL REGISTRAR APR. 14, 1961 25c. REGISTRAR'S SIGNATURE Sh. N. Allen	

Sister Bessie Fortenberry Mayo (1882-1961) -

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Texas, Select County Marriage Records, 1837-2015



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Name Bessie H. Fortenberry
Gender Female
Marriage Date 21 Aug 1902
Marriage Place Harris, Texas, USA
Spouse W. P. Mayo
Document Number 8564

THE STATE OF TEXAS, COUNTY OF HARRIS, COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE. Houston, Texas, Aug. 19, 1902.

To Any Regular Minister or Licensed Minister of the Gospel, Judge of the District Court, Judge of the County Court, or Justice of the Peace—CHAP. 100.

You, or either of you, are hereby authorized TO JOIN IN THE HOLY UNION OF MATRIMONY

H. P. Mayo WITH Miss Bessie A. Fortenberry

In Accordance with the Laws of this State.

HEREIN FAIL NOT, That you make due return of this, your authority, to my office in the City of Houston, within sixty days thereafter, certifying in what capacity you executed the same.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, Witness E. F. Dupree

Clerk of the County Court in said County and State, and Official Seal, at office in Houston, this 19 day of August, A. D., 1902.

[SEAL.] E. F. Dupree
County Clerk, Harris County, Texas.

By J. F. White, Deputy.

No. 8564 OFFICER'S RETURN.

SOLEMNIZED by the undersigned authority, this 21st day of August, 1902.

The State of Texas, } I, H. P. Mayo of Harris County,
COUNTY OF HARRIS, }
and State of Texas do solemnly swear that Miss Bessie A. Fortenberry is over 18 years of age, that
over 21 years of age, and that there are no legal objections to marriage.

WITNESS: I am

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 19th day of August, 1902.

E. F. Dupree, County Clerk.
By J. F. White, Deputy.

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Mrs. Lelia F. Bailey
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Sister Lelia Adele Fortenberry Bailey (1885-1917) – Find A Grave 238397582

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Bailey-Fortenberry.

A wedding of much interest to a wide circle of friends and a complete surprise to most of them, was quietly celebrated last evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Fortenberry, uniting in marriage their daughter, Miss Lelia Fortenberry, to Edward H. Bailey. The ceremony was

performed by Rev. William States Jacobs in the presence of only the immediate family, the bride looking very sweet in her soft white bridal robes.

During the ceremony Miss Inez Carter rendered very softly the "Flower Song," there being no other wedding music.

Both young people have a host of friends who will be cordially interested in the marriage. Mr. and Mrs. Bailey will be at home for the present at the Baltimore apartments.

Texas, Brazoria County Marriage Records, 1870-2012



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Name Lelia Adele Fortenberry
 Marriage Date 11 Jul 1910
 Marriage Place Harris, Texas, USA
 Spouse Edmund H Bailey
 Document Number 19683

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275-C8-0135

THE STATE OF TEXAS, COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE. Houston, Texas, July 11 1910

To any Regularly Licensed or Ordained Minister of the Gospel, Jewish Rabbi, Judges of the District and County Courts, and all Justices of the Peace: **CREATING:**

You, or either of you, are hereby authorized TO JOIN IN THE HOLY UNION OF MATRIMONY

Edmund H Bailey WITH Miss Lelia Adele Fortenberry

in Accordance with the Laws of this State.

HEREIN FAIL NOT, That you make due return of this, your authority, to my office in the City of Houston, within sixty days thereafter, certifying in what capacity you executed the same.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, Witness Geo Jones, Clerk of the County Court in said County

and State, and Official Seal, at office in Houston, this 11 day of July A. D. 1910

[SEAL.]

No. 19683 OFFICER'S RETURN. By Geo Jones Deputy.

SOLEMNIZED by the undersigned authority, this 11th day of July 1910

State of Texas, COUNTY OF HARRIS, I, Edmund H Bailey of Harris County,

and State of Texas do solemnly swear that Miss Lelia Adele Fortenberry is over 18 years of age, that

WITNESS: I am over 21 years of age, and that there are no legal objections to our marriage.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 11 day of July 1910

Geo Jones Clerk of County Court, Harris County, Texas

By Geo Jones Deputy.

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**MRS. E. H. BAILEY
 PASSES AWAY**

Mrs. Lelia F. Bailey, widow of the late Edmund H. Bailey, died Saturday morning at 8 o'clock at the home of her mother, Mrs. Amanda J. Fortenberry, 2218 Smith Street. Mrs. Bailey had been ill only a short time. She was a native of Tyler County, having been born in Peach Tree village July 4, 1885. She came to Houston when her family moved to this city in 1902.

Mrs. Bailey is survived by one child, Carden Bailey; her mother, Mrs. Fortenberry; two sisters, Mrs. Clayton P. Myer and Mrs. Perry Mayo, and one brother, Carl Fortenberry.

The funeral services will be held Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock from the family home, 2218 Smith Street, with interment in Glenwood Cemetery. The following will be the pallbearers: George R. Christie, J. T. McCarthy, R. D. Steele, Will C. Andrus, James P. Carter, C. C. Hall, J. W. Montgomery and Hugh Asbury. The services will be conducted by representatives of the Christian Science Church.

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26878 1025-617-5038 TEXAS STATE BOARD OF HEALTH
BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS
STANDARD CERTIFICATE OF DEATH Registered No. 251923

PLACE OF DEATH 2118 Smith County Houston (No. 2218 Smith St. 11 Ward) [If death occurred in a hospital or institution, give its NAME instead of street and number.]

CITY Houston (No. 2218 Smith St. 11 Ward)

FULL NAME Julia Fortenberry Bailey

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

1 SEX Female 4 Color or Race White 5 Single, Married, Widowed or Divorced widowed (Print the word)

6 DATE OF BIRTH July 4 1880 (Month) (Day) (Year)

7 AGE 32 yrs. 1 mos. 26 ds. If less than 2 years state if breast fed Yes No hrs. min.

8 OCCUPATION (a) Trade, profession or particular kind of work none (b) General nature of industry, business or establishment in which employed (or employer)

9 BIRTHPLACE (State or country) Texas

10 NAME OF FATHER W. H. Fortenberry

11 BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER (State or country) Mississippi

12 MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER Amelia J. Kirby

13 BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER (State or country) Texas

14 THE ABOVE IS TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE (Informant) W. Bailey (Address) 603 Webster Ave

15 Filled 7/2 1917 R. B. Bailey Registrar

MEDICAL PARTICULARS

16 DATE OF DEATH September 1 1917 (Month) (Day) (Year)

17 I HEREBY CERTIFY, That I attended the deceased from 1917, to 1917, that I last saw alive on 1917, and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at . The CAUSE OF DEATH* was as follows: gastric ulceration (Duration yrs. mos. ds.)

Contributory (Secondary) (Duration yrs. mos. ds.)

(Signed) John J. G. P. M. D. 72 1917 (Address) Houston

*Use International List of Cause of Death—State the Disease Causing Death, or, in deaths from Violent Causes, State (1) Means of Injury; and (2) whether Accidental, Suicidal, or Homicidal.

18 LENGTH OF RESIDENCE (For Hospitals, Institutions, Transients, or Recent Residents) At place 10 yrs. mos. ds. In the yrs. mos. ds. Where was disease contracted, no disease if not at place of death? Former or 2218 Smith St. usual residence

19 PLACE OF BURIAL OR REMOVAL DATE OF BURIAL Shirwood Cem Sept 2 1917

20 UNDERTAKER ADDRESS Colleged & Hoff Co.

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2748 TEXAS STATE BOARD OF HEALTH
Bureau of Vital Statistics
STANDARD CERTIFICATE OF DEATH Registered No. 136410

PLACE OF DEATH 2748 County Harris (No. Baptist San St. Ward) [If death occurred in a hospital or institution, give its NAME instead of street and number.]

CITY Houston (No. Baptist San St. Ward)

FULL NAME Edmund A. Bailey

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

1 SEX Male 4 Color or Race White 5 Single, Married, Widowed or Divorced Married (Print the word)

6 DATE OF BIRTH May 4 1863 (Month) (Day) (Year)

7 AGE 54 yrs. mos. ds. If less than 2 years state if breast fed Yes No hrs. min.

8 OCCUPATION (a) Trade, profession or particular kind of work Oil Operator (b) General nature of industry, business, or establishment in which employed (or employer)

9 BIRTHPLACE (State or country) N. Carolina

10 NAME OF FATHER Wm A Bailey

11 BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER (State or country) N. Carolina

12 MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER Ann C. Howerton

13 BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER (State or country) N. Carolina

14 THE ABOVE IS TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE (Informant) W. A. Bailey (Address) 603 Webster St

15 Filled 5-7-7 1917 Registrar

MEDICAL PARTICULARS

16 DATE OF DEATH May 6 1917 (Month) (Day) (Year)

17 I HEREBY CERTIFY, That I attended deceased from May 6 1917, to May 6 1917, that I last saw alive on May 6 1917, and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at . The CAUSE OF DEATH* was as follows: Cancer of Stomach (Duration yrs. mos. ds.)

Contributory (Secondary) (Duration yrs. mos. ds.)

(Signed) Garin Hamilton M. D. May 6 1917 (Address) Houston

*Use International List of Cause of Death—State the Disease Causing Death, or, in deaths from Violent Causes, State (1) Means of Injury; and (2) whether Accidental, Suicidal, or Homicidal.

18 LENGTH OF RESIDENCE (For Hospitals, Institutions, Transients, or Recent Residents) At place yrs. mos. ds. In the yrs. mos. ds. Where was disease contracted, if not at place of death? Former or usual residence

19 PLACE OF BURIAL OR REMOVAL DATE OF BURIAL Shirwood Cem May 7 1917

20 UNDERTAKER ADDRESS Sid Westheimer

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Abbreviations:

b = born

d = died

F: = Find A Grave (www.findagrave.org)

NOK = next-of-kin

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Name: Kirby Carl Fortenberry (Sr.)

Name variations: Carl Fortenberry

Military:

On Tuscania: 20th Eng. 16th/Co. D - private

Serial number: 250,311

Entered service from: Houston, Harris TX

Sailed on "Tuscania" as: Kirby C. Fortenberry

Next-of-kin on "Tuscania": mother A.J. Fortenberry, 2218 Smith St., Houston TX

Returned from war on: Kirby C. Fortenberry

Sailed on return ship as: "Santa Paula" May 1919

Next-of-kin on return ship & rank: mother Mrs. Amanda J. Fortenberry, 2218 Smith St., Houston TX
(sgt, HQ Det., 6th Bn, 20th Engrs, Forestry)

World War I draft registration (1917): as Kirby C. Fortenberry - b. 23 Jan 1896 Silsbee TX; res: 2218 Smith, Houston TX. Single. Student at Eastern Business College in Poughkeepsie NY. When asked about exemption from the draft: "no exemption claimed." Tall & slender. Registered 22 May 1917, in advance of the national registration day on 5 Jun 1917.

National Tuscania Survivors Association 1939 roster: 2218 Smith St., Houston TX.

World War II draft registration (1942): as Kirby Carl Fortenberry - b. 23 Jan 1896 Silsby TX; res: 3406 Wichita St., Houston, Harris TX. NOK contact: E.M. Longcope Jr., 2434 Pelham Dr., Houston TX.

Employed at Pritchard Rice Milling Co., 3002 Richardson, Houston TX. "scar – third finger left hand"
– Height: 6'1" – weight: 202 lbs. Card is signed K.C. Fortenberry.

Veterans Administration Military Index:

Enlisted 13 Sep 1917

Discharged 9 Jun 1919

Address: 2218 Smith St., Houston TX

Rank/unit: sergeant, HQ Co., 6th Bn., 20th Engineers

TX, Abstracts of WWI Military Service:

Kirby C. Fortenberry, serial 250311, resident of 2218 Smith St., Houston TX. Inducted into Army at Fort Sam Houston on 13 Dec 1917 at age 21 years, 10 months. Born Silsbee TX. In 6th Battalion, 20th Engineers to discharge. Promoted to corporal 1 May 1918, to sergeant 13 Nov 1918. Overseas 24 Jan 1918 to 28 May 1919. Discharged 9 Jun 1919. 0% disabled.

Birth & death:

Born: 23 Jan 1896 Silsbee, Hardin TX

Died: 3 Jul 1963 Houston, Harris TX

Find A Grave record: 175724252, presence on Tuscania noted in flower

Burial location: Houston, Harris TX

Cemetery: Forest Park Westheimer

Tombstone:

Father: William Wilkins Broad Fortenberry, 26 Jun 1858 Simpson Co. MS – 1 Sep 1911 Houston, Harris TX.

Son of Levi Jefferson Fortenberry Sr. & Matilda Gardner.

Died of cancer of the larynx.

Obituary: "Houston Post" 2 Sep 1911 p 16 – W.W. Fortenberry, age 53, died at his home (2218 Smith St.) yesterday [1 Sep 1911]. His body was sent to Chester, Tyler TX for burial on 3 Sep 1911.

Born MS; moved to TX in the early days. Survived by his widow, 3 sisters, 3 brothers, 3 daughters: Mrs. C.P. Myers [i.e. Edith, of Houston TX], Mrs. W.P. Mays [sic/Mayo, i.e. Bessie, of Silsbee TX] & Mrs. E.H. Bailey [i.e. Lelia, of Houston TX] U 1 son Master K.C. Fortenberry. He was the brother-in-law of John H. Kirby. All the offices of the Kirby Lumber Co. will close at noon today for the rest of the day. The body was sent on Sunday morning at 6:30 a.m. via the Southern Pacific.

Buried in Mount Hope Cemetery, Chester, Tyler TX.

Find A Grave: 41096450

Mother: Amanda Jane Kirby Fortenberry, 6 Aug 1858 Peach Tree Village, Tyler TX – 6 Jul 1962 West University Place, Harris TX.

Daughter of John Thomas Kirby & Sarah C. Payne.

Died one month short of her 104th birthday. All her children except Kirby had predeceased her; he died one year later.

Birthday: "Harlingen (TX) Valley Morning Star" 17 Aug 1958 p 16 – Mrs. Amanda Kirby Fortenberry, member of a pioneer East Texas family, celebrated her 100th birthday on 16 Aug. She was born in the Tyler Co. community of Peactree [sic/Peachtree] Village, now part of former Governor Allan Shivers's East TX farm. Her husband, William Wilkins Fortenberry, a contractor, died in 1911. She is the sister of the late John Henry Kirby, a Houston lumber & oil pioneer.

Buried in Forest Park Westheimer Cemetery, Houston, Harris TX.

Find A Grave: 175729597

Parents' marriage: 15 Dec 1879 Tyler Co. TX.

Spouse: Edith Winter Hargis Fortenberry, 14 Feb 1899 Franklin, Simpson KY – 10 Aug 1931

Grandfield, Tillman OK.

Daughter of M.H. Hargis (d. 1947, buried in Greenfield OK, F: 57432848) & Annie B. Hargis (1866-1937, F: 57426560).

Her mother's obituary: "'Big Pasture News" (Grandfield OK) 18 Feb 1937 p 1 – sudden death of Mrs. M.H. Hargis, age 70, pioneer of the Big Pasture, on 18 Feb 1937 after a few days with pneumonia. Survived by her husband, daughter Mrs. C.L. Murphy & son Morris Hargis, plus granddaughter Anna June [sic] Fortenberry of Houston who is age 4. Her daughter Mrs. Edith Fortenberry died after a short illness while visiting her parents about 3 years ago [actually 6 years earlier]. To be buried in Grandfield.

Obituary: "Big Pasture News" (Grandfield OK) Thursday, 13 Aug 1931 p 1 – Mrs. Carl Fortenberry of Houston died at 9 p.m. Monday [10 Aug 1931] at the home of her parents, Mr. & Mrs. M.H. Hargis after being ill for a few days with ptomaine poisoning. She was born Edith Hargis & had been visiting here with her 4-year-old daughter Anna Jane for 2 weeks with her parents when she was stricken. No alarm was felt about her condition until it was too late. Her husband was not able to catch an airplane or train from Houston to reach her bedside & learned of her death before he left Houston. The funeral will be from the Hargis home on Wednesday, 12 Aug 1931 at 10 a.m. The body will be sent overland to Wichita Falls TX by Mohr Undertaking & will be sent at 4 p.m. that afternoon to Houston, where services will be held 13 Aug 1931. Edith was born 14 Feb 1899 in Franklin KY. She married Kirby Carl Fortenberry, then a resident of Grandfield, on 22 Feb 1922. She is survived by her

husband, daughter, parents Mr. & Mrs. M.H. Hargis, brother Morris Hargis (Pampa TX) & sister Mrs. C.L. Murphy (Greenfield OK). She graduated from the local high school and was “well known in this community as one of its most beautiful young ladies.”

Also: “Big Pasture News” (Grandfield OK) 20 Aug 1931 p 8 – Card of Thanks, especially for the help of Dr. Fuqua, from K.C. Fortenberry & daughter, Mr. & Mrs. M.H. Hargis, Morris Hargis, Mr. & Mrs. C.L. Murphy.

Buried in Forest Park Lawndale Cemetery, Houston, Harris TX.

Spouse Find A Grave: 172450887

Marriage: 25 Feb 1922 Oklahoma City, Oklahoma Co. OK.

“Houston Post” Friday, 3 Mar 1922 p 4 – Announcement of the marriage of Carl Fortenberry, formerly of Houston & Miss Edith Winter Hargis of Grand Field OK, which occurred last Saturday in Oklahoma City OK. The couple is at home in Grand Field [Grandfield]. Carl is the son of Mrs. A.J. Fortenberry of Houston & is well-known here. Graduate of Houston High School; WWI veteran. For a number of years, he has lived away from Houston.

TX marriage license: Kirby Carl Fortenberry, age 26 & Edith Winter Hargis, age 21, both residents of Grandfield OK. License obtained & marriage performed 25 Feb 1922 in Oklahoma City OK.

Witnesses: Maud Hargis & C.L. Murphy. Married by 1st Methodist Episcopal Church minister I.F. Roach.

Spouse: Lillian Stephens Hillebrandt Fortenberry, 13 May 1907 Carrizo, Otero NM – 4 Apr 1989 Harris Co. TX.

Daughter of Robert Lee Stephens & Jennie Samantha Camp.

Presumably married ca. 1927 to Harvey Worth (“Pat”) Hillebrandt Sr. as their son Harvey Worth Hillebrandt Jr. was born in 1928.

Harvey Hildebrandt St. was born 5 Sep 1905 Lafayette, Lafayette Parish LA & died 15 Jan 1947 in Houston, Harris TX. He is buried in Forest Park Lawndale Cemetery, Houston, Harris TX, F: 6835450. Harvey Worth Hildebrandt Sr. was the son of Harvey Hildebrandt & Sarah Eleanor McCants.

Buried in Forest Park Westheimer Cemetery, Houston, Harris TX.

Spouse Find A Grave: 175724649

Marriage: 25 Aug 1937 McLennan Co. TX.

Child: by his 1st wife Edith Hargis

- **Anna Jane Fortenberry Armsby Wingfield**, 7 Oct 1927 Houston, Harris TX - 14 Sep 2014 Austin, Travis TX. - TX birth record: Daughter [not named] born 7 Oct 1927 in St. Joseph’s Hospital, Houston TX to Kirby Carl Fortenberry, age 31, b. Silsbee TX, rice mill executive & Edith Hargis, age 27, b. Franklin KY, housewife. Residents of 1231 Peden, Houston TX. This is Edith’s 1st child, with 1 child now living. - Birth: “Big Pasture News” (Grandfield OK) 14 Oct 1927 p 3 – Mrs. C.L. Murphy received the announcement of the birth of a daughter to Mr. & Mrs. Carl Fortenberry of Houston. Mrs. Fortenberry is the former Miss Edith Hargis, the sister of Mrs. C.L. Murphy. - Pictured as a co-ed student at U of Houston (“Fort Worth Star-Telegram” 10 Dec 1945). – Anna Jane Fortenberry married 29 Feb 1952 in Harris Co. TX to Charles Edward Armsby (8 Jul 1926 NC – 2008 MA, buried in Massachusetts National Cemetery, Bourne, Barnstable MA, F: 72775658). He was the son of Edward McClellan Armsby. - 1957 Houston TX city directory: Mrs. Anna J. Armsby, account executive, Goodwin-Damenboun, h1014 Cleburne St. – Married in 1957 to Burnley Magruder Wingfield

Jr. (11 Mar 1927 - 30 Aug 1992 Harris Co. TX), with whom she gave birth to Garth Payne Wingfield (4 Oct 1964) & Amanda Magruder Wingfield (8 May 1967), both in Harris Co. TX.

Children: by his 2nd wife Lillian Stephens

- Kirby Carl Fortenberry, Jr.**, 25 Jul 1938 Houston, Harris TX – 22 Sep 2013 Harris Co. TX.- “Austin (TX) American-Spokesman” 23 Mar 1961 p 28 – On the dean’s honor list for the U of TX College of Business Administration, with high honors: Kirby Carl Fortenberry Jr. – Marriage: 17 Dec 1964 in First Christian Church, Houston, Harris TX to “Miss” Carol Lynn Wallace. He was age 26 & she age 23. She was the daughter of Mr. & Mrs. I.E. Henderson of Houston, Harris TX. – Marriage: 3 Sep 1966 to Annie Laurie Bradford in Harris Co. TX. She was the daughter of James Walter Bradford Jr. (1911-1983, F: 221098103) & Annie Laurie Gayle (1911-1992, F: 221098065) who had married in 1933. Kirby Jr. & Annie Laura divorced 18 Jun 1996 in Houston, Harris TX. Marriage: “Brazosport Facts” 13 Jul 1966 p 9 – photo – Miss Annie Laura Bradford engaged to Kirby Carl Fortenberry Jr. She is the daughter of Mr. & Mrs. James Walter Bradford Sr.; he is the son of Mrs. K.C. Fortenberry Sr. of Bellaire. Wedding to take place 3 Sep 1966 in 1st Methodist Church, Angleton. – Marriage: wife’s name was Shirley when he died in 2013. He married Shirley - On Find A Grave record, lists deceased parents as Kirby & Lillian Fortenberry. Survived by brother Clyde Fortenberry & stepbrother Worth Hillebrandt, also son, daughter, 2 stepsons with surname Cutshall, sister Anna Wingfield. Graduate of San Jacinto High School; All-City center (football) in 1955. Attended U of Houston; graduate of U of TX with a BBA honors. Was a CPA with Arthur Young Co. Started Sunnys Convenience Stores with a partner; was its vice president/treasurer. President & owner Flexmaster USA until retired in 1999 to Chappell Hill TX where he built & flew remote-control airplanes. Was cremated; no burial location given. F: 135814523
- Clyde Edward Fortenberry**, 1 Aug 1941 Houston, Harris TX – 15 Jun 2012 Travis Co. TX. - Graduate Bellaire High School 1953; lettered in football. Received an athletic scholarship to Fort Lewis College in Durango CO. Earned a BBA from U of Houston in 1965. Served in TX National Guard & US Army Reserves. Career of over 30 years in group health insurance & administration. President of his business, CAPSCO, in Austin, which he sold in 1993. Then formed Bent Tree Management Corp. in Houston; owned & operated a commercial shopping center. Member Son of the American Revolution. Preceded in death by his parents, brother H.W. Hillebrandt Jr. & sons Blake & Lee Fortenberry. Survived by wife Sandy, brother Kirby Carl Fortenberry Jr. (his wife Shirley) of Chappell Hill TX & sister [half-sister] Anna Wingfield of Houston. – Clyde married Katheryn Elizabeth Hackel (1943 FL-2004 TX, buried in Hillcrest Cemetery, Marlin, Falls TX, F: 10912537) on 9 Apr 1966 in Harris Co. TX. She was the daughter of Leroy Richard Hackel & Lola Belle (Maxie) Maxwell. Clyde & Katheryn divorced 25 Sep 1992 in Harris Co. TX. - Husband of Sandra (Sandy) Kay Nielsen Browning (born 12 Mar 1951) whom he married 14 Aug 1993 in Travis Co. TX. She was the daughter of Homer Ellis Nielsen (12 Jul 1918-15 Sep 2007, F: 21642196) & Ruth McIntire (1914-1990, F: 41578769). Sandra Nielsen had married Clint Rayburn Browning, son of C.R. Browning, on 27 Dec 1969 in Southside Church of Christ, Austin, Travis TX. - Although Clyde & Sandra are listed as divorcing on 9 Jul 1996 in Harris Co. TX, Sandy is listed as his surviving widow. - Buried in Cook-Walden Capital Parks Cemetery & Mausoleum, Pflugerville, Travis TX. F: 167153767

Stepson:

- **Harvey Worth Hillebrandt Jr.**, 15 Nov 1928 Houston, Harris TX – 15 Apr 1981 Houston, Harris TX. - Age 11 in 1940 census where he is listed as Harvey W. Fortenberry. – Known as Worth. - Listed as brother of Clyde Edward Fortenberry in his Find A Grave obituary. – On 14 Oct 1950, Harvey Jr. married Mary Jean Shotwell in Harris Co. TX. Mary Jean (1 Sep 1931-8 Sep 2011 Lufkin, Angelina TX, buried in IOOF Lufkin Cemetery, Lufkin, Angelina TX, F: 76604341) was the daughter of Thomas Jean Shotwell & Mary Emma Garvice Stuart. She married James Travis Maroney Jr. (1924-1982) on 30 Apr 1942 & then Carl Bennie Basey Jr. (1928-2015, F: 141513793) on 1 Sep 1983. She is, however, buried as Mary Jean Maroney. - Married in Harris Co. TX on 21 Nov 1958 to Mary Maurean/Maureen Greene (1934-2009, buried in Prairie Lea Cemetery, Brenham, Washington Co. TX, F: 44522461). Mary was the daughter of Horace William Greene (1908-1994, F: 60817910) & Alma Caroline Snellgrove (1877-1960, F: 51843784). Buried in Forest Park Westheimer Cemetery, Houston, Harris TX. F: 111256489

Siblings: Kirby was the youngest child & only surviving son.

- **Edith Lucille Fortenberry Myer**, 18 Feb 1877 Tyler Co. TX – 21 Nov 1917 Houston, Harris TX. - Wife of Clayton Pittenger Myer (1869-1929, F: 94277420), whom she married 17 Nov 1894 in Tyler Co. TX. Widowed, he married Mabel Francis Windham (1898-1978) in 1918. - Obituary: “Houston Post” 22 Nov 1917 p 9 – The funeral of Mrs. Edith L. Myer will be held 22 Nov 1917 at the home of her mother, Mrs. Amanda Kirby Fortenberry, 2218 Smith St., where Edith died early Wednesday [21 Nov 1917]. Interment in Glenwood Cemetery. Survived by her husband & 3 children: Cecil David Myer (in Co. I, 19th Infantry, Army, at Goose Creek), Miss Fayme Myer [student at the State Normal School in Denton] & Clyde Myer. Edith is survived by her mother, her sister Mrs. W.P. Mayo & her brother Kirby Carl Fortenberry. – Edith died of osteosarcoma (bone cancer). - Buried in Glenwood Cemetery, Houston, Harris TX. F: 94277421
- **Henry Clyde (“Broad”) Fortenberry**, 20 Sep 1880 Peach Tree Village, Tyler TX – 29 May 1900 College Station, Brazos TX. - Birth & death dates & places are inscribed on his tombstone, along with “son of Mr. & Mrs. W.W. Fortenberry.” – Died as a freshman while a cadet at Texas Agricultural & Mechanical College (now Texas A&M University), in the college infirmary. -Buried in Mount Hope Cemetery, Chester, Tyler TX where his father is buried. F: 44056690
- **Bessie Fortenberry Mayo**, 13 Dec 1882 Peach Tree Village, Tyler TX – 4 Apr 1961 Houston, Harris TX. - Wife of William Perry Mayo Sr. (1876-1964, F: 175728243) whom she married 21 Aug 1902 in Houston, Harris TX. - Buried in Forest Park Westheimer Cemetery, Houston, Harris TX. F: 175728866
- **Lelia Adele Fortenberry Bailey**, 4 Jul 1885 Tyler Co. TX (in 1900 census) – 1 Sep 1917 Houston, Harris TX. – Wife of Edmond Hestor Bailey (1863-6 May 1917, F: 149113420). - Marriage: “Houston Post” 12 Jul 1910 p 10 – most were completely surprised by the wedding that occurred at the home of W.W. Fortenberry, when Miss Lelia Fortenberry married Edward H. Bailey on 11 Jul 1910. Only immediate family attended. The ceremony was performed by Rev. William States Jacobs. The couple will be at home in the Baltimore Apartments. - Obituary: “Houston Post” 2 Sep 1917 p 15 – Mrs. Lelia F. Bailey died after a brief illness; widow of the late Edmund H. Bailey. She died 1 Sep 1917 at 8 a.m. at the home of her mother, Mrs. Amanda J. Fortenberry, 2218 Smith St. She was well-known & popular in Houston. Born in Tyler Co. TX, in the old family home in Peach Tree Village. Survived by son

Carden Bailey, 2 sisters: Mrs. Clayton P. Myer & Mrs. Perry Mayo, brother Carl Fortenberry & her mother. Funeral 2 Sep 1917 in the afternoon from the family home, with interment in Glenwood Cemetery, Houston, Harris TX. – Although her obituary states that Lelia died from a brief illness, age 32, her TX death certificate lists the cause of death as “gas asphyxiation.” The signer did not add if it was accidental, suicide or homicide. Her husband had died earlier in the year (May 1917) & her sister Edith died 2 months after Lelia. – Lelia’s son Frank Carden Bailey (1911-1997), known as “Carden Bailey,” was an artist & TV set decorator. - Buried in Glenwood Cemetery, Houston, Harris TX. F: 238397582

- **Lillie Webbie Fortenberry**, 1892 – 1899 TX. - Buried in Mount Hope Cemetery, Chester, Tyler TX where her father is buried. Tombstone inscribed: daughter of W.W. & A.J. Fortenberry. F: 44056690

Pre-war:

“Houston Post” 20 Sep 1910 p 11 – Mr. & Mrs. W.W. Fortenberry & son Carl left Sunday for Brownsville TX where they will live in the future. Mr. & Mrs. E.H. Bailey [their daughter Lelia & husband] will spend the winter in the Fortenberry house at 2218 Brazos St.

Wartime:

“Houston Post” 5 Mar 1918 p 7 – Kirby Fortenberry of Houston was with John C. McGregor of Houston when the Tuscania sunk. Both were in the same regiment – 20th Engineers – and both enlisted in Houston.

Post-war:

“Big Pasture News” (Grandfield OK) 7 Jul 1922 p 1 – Carl Fortenberry went to Mexia TX last week to help his partner J.T. McCarthy in a store the 2 men own there. On Thursday morning Mrs. Fortenberry got a letter from Carl that their bookkeeper, Mr. Smith, had been found dead in an El Paso hotel on 4 Jul. Smith was a former Grandfield resident & worked in Grandfield. He left for Mexia last week saying he was going to visit the bedside of his sick brother in Galveston, but wen to El Paso instead.

“Big Pasture News” (Grandfield OK) 16 Oct 1930 p 2 – Maud Hargis Murphy, class of 1916, is spending the winter in San Antonio with her husband. They found Santa Fe NM to be too cold. Her sister, Mrs. Edith Hargis Fortenberry, class of 1918, lives in Houston.

“Big Pasture News” (Grandfield OK) Thursday 12 Mar 1931 p 8 – Mrs. Carl Fortenberry & daughter left Saturday for their home in Houston. They were guests in the M.H. Hargis & C.L. Murphy homes for the past month.

Obituary:

TX death record: Kirby C. Fortenberry, died of cardiac insufficiency with arteriosclerotic heart disease, both over 6 months. Died in Harmon Hospital, Houston, Harris TX on 3 Jul 1963. Born 23 Jan 1896 in Silsbee TX. WWI veteran. Residence: 9127 Timberside, Houston TX. Lived in Houston 61 years. Married. President of rice mill.

Social Security Number: 460-05-3330

Censuses:

1900 Justice Precinct 5, Hardin Co. TX - conducted 25 Jun 1900

Found at:

https://www.ancestry.com/imageviewer/collections/7602/images/4118495_01207?pld=61651851

J.W. Fortenberry, 42 MS, Jun 1857, mother b. MS, no entry for father, married 20 years, contractor

Amanda J., 42 TX, Aug 1857, mother b. MS, no entry for father, gave birth to 6 children, 4 are living

Bessie, 17 TX, Dec 1882

Lelia, 14 TX, Jul 1885

Carl, 4 TX, Jan 1896 [i.e. Kirby Carl]

1910 Houston, Harris TX – 2218 Smith St. – conducted 20 Apr 1910

William W. Fortenberry, 57 MS, parents b. MS, in 1st marriage, married 30 years, agent, real estate

Amanda J., 51 TX, parents b. MS, in 1st marriage, gave birth to 6 children, 6 are living

Leila, 23 TX, single

Carl K., 14 TX [i.e. Kirby Carl]

1920 Houston, Harris TX – 2218 Smith St. – conducted 6 Jan 1920

Amanda FORTENBURY or Fortenberry, 61 TX, widow, parents b. MS

Carl Fortenbury, 33 TX, single, parents b. MS, stenographer, railroad [son]

Bessie Mayo, 37 TX, parents b. MS, married [daughter]

Wilkin Mayo, 16 TX, parents b. TX [grandson]

Loradele Mayo, 14 TX, parents b. TX [granddaughter]

William Perry Mayo, 3 years 3 months TX, parents b. TX [grandson]

Carden Bailey, 3 TX [grandson – his mother, Amanda's daughter Lelia, had died 1 Sep 1917; his father had died 6 May 1917]

Gurter/Gurter Miller, 25 LA, parents b. LA, female, single, stenographer, lumber company [boarder]

Jessie Miller, 23 LA, parents b. LA, female, stenographer, lumber company [boarder]

1930 Houston, Harris TX – 2166 Temple Dr. – conducted 5 Apr 1930

Kirby C. Fortenberry, 33 TX, parents b. TX, age 25 at 1st marriage, secretary-treasurer, Richard Rice Co., WWI veteran

Edith, 30 TX, parents b. TX, age 22 at 1st marriage

Anna Jane, 2 TX

1940 Houston, Harris TX – 3406 Wichita St. – same house in 1935 – conducted 2 Apr 1940

Kirby C. Fortenberry, 45 TX, president & general manager, wholesale rice mill

Lillian, 32 TX [his 2nd iwfe]

Anna Jane, 12 TX [daughter by Edith]

Harvey W., 11 TX [although listed with surname Fortenberry, appears to be Harvey Worth

Hillebrandt, Jr. – from Lillian's earlier marriage]

Kirby C., Jr., 1 TX [son by Lillian]

& mother-in-law Jennie Wilson, 52 AR, widow, same place in 1935

1950 Houston, Harris TX – 3406 Wichita St. – conducted 6 Apr 1950

Kirby Fortenberry, 53 TX, president, rice mill company

Lillian Fortenberry, 42 NM [wife]

Harvey Hildebrandt, 21 TX, salesman, wholesale drug company [stepson]

Clyde Fortenberry, 8 TX [son – since the surname Fortenberry was not written in the space, Clyde is indexed as Clyde Hildebrandt]

Carbye, 11 TX [[son – since the surname Fortenberry was not written in the space, Clyde is indexed as Clyde Hildebrandt – this is Kirby Jr.]

& mother-in-law Jennie Wilson, 62 TX, widow