



## THE HAWES FAMILY ASSOCIATION

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### Memorial Memberships:

Dorothy Horn Hawes (1912-1989)  
Anna Lewis Hawes (1855-1937)  
Edwin Combe Hawes (1856-1928)  
Lloyd Clark Hawes (1916-1981)  
Betty Lou (Carlton) Wilhoyte  
(1928-1993)  
Dr. Oscar Garth Fitzhugh  
(1901-1994)  
Mrs. Oscar Garth Fitzhugh  
(1904-1994)  
Thomas J. Abbott, Jr. (1929-1994)

### Honorary Memberships:

Col. Benjamin Walker Hawes  
(1909-1988)

Mildred and Jack Foster  
Lewisport, Kentucky

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Dear Friends:

This old world keeps on turning; now it is 1995. We've all had birthdays since the beginning of our family association. How good it is to see the newer members just as loyal as we older ones. There's a great deal to write about this time, so, let's begin.

First, there are some WELCOME TO THE WORLD ANNOUNCEMENTS:

A belated greeting goes to little Robert Holloway Gordon, born Feb. 27, 1992. He is the son (and third child) of Patsy Sterett (Hawes) Gordon and her husband, Robert Bennett Gordon. His maternal grandmother is Lora (Hawes) Hawes, widow of the late Holloway S. Hawes, of Maceo, Ky. Little Robert has two older sisters, Catherine Hawes Gordon and Rachel Starling Gordon, so he will never have the wish for "Someone to Watch Over Me".

In far-away Zug, Switzerland, Odilia Clara Meeks made her appearance in the world on February 3, 1995. The daughter of John and Monika Meeks, she is a new grand-daughter for my sister, Lillian, and her husband, Bernard Meeks, of Arlington, Virginia. Now little Benjamin Meeks, born in 1993, has a baby sister.

Another WELCOME TO THE WORLD is extended to little Lacey Ellen Cashman, born December 2, 1994, in San Diego, California. She is the daughter of Timothy Cashman, Jr. and wife, Carole, and a grand-daughter of my own daughter, Robin (Hudgins) Cashman. Robin has "come home", after 40 years' absence from the Franklin-Nashville area. Glory Hallelujah!



A new membership was received in October of '94 but arrived too late for the Newsletter. Welcome to Mildred Catherine Henning Yeiser, who is our 73rd member. She lives in Tucson, Arizona and is descended from Edwin (son of Richard & Clary) and wife, Cary Ann (Trotter) Hawes. She sent a large package, filled with materials her mother had collected and saved...charts, pictures, copies of letters, etc., but the prize in the package was a large and striking photograph taken at the scene of the wedding of Mildred's aunt, Clara T. Hawes (1877-1953) to Herman D. Sears in 1906. In a garden setting is the bride (with two attendants) a fine-looking groom, Mr. Sears, and Clara's parents, George Trotter Hawes and wife, Clara Ann (Taylor) Hawes. George Trotter was in full view, looking very distinguished, but the bride's mother was a little behind him and she was "peeping" at the bride...the precious little face of Clara Ann (Taylor) Hawes. Apparently she was a tiny little lady... she was smiling. Of course, the bride was as beautiful as brides are supposed to be and while I was sorely tempted to try and get this "copied" for this Newsletter, decided I could not risk it, so it was returned to the sender.

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 Congratulations are in order for the Hancock County Museum, located in Hawesville. On December 2, 1994, in Louisville, the Kentucky Humanities Council 1994 Awards Ceremony was held and they bestowed a beautiful plaque to Hancock County for the establishment of their Museum. Mr. Horace Templeton, one of the co-founders of the Museum accepted it and now I'm sure it is displayed where all the volunteers can see and appreciate it. They all work together for THEIR Museum.

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 You will note three new Memorial memberships -- they are: Dr. Oscar Garth Fitzhugh, who died in December of 1994, and his wife (who was Mary Cornelia Boaz, daughter of Dr. Emmett Daniel Boaz and Ada Coleman McCallum Boaz) who died in October of 1994. Their daughter, Mary Eleanor Fitzhugh Hitzelberger has been one of our early members and furnished historical material of her family. Both Anna and I felt it proper to honor both Dr. Fitzhugh and his wife, Mary, and this we have done, after notifying the family of our wishes.

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 We also decided it was proper to establish a Memorial Membership for Thomas J. Abbott, Jr., the husband of our member Olyve Hallmark Abbott. He died in August of '94. After a severe stroke about 5 years ago, each day this brave man "fought to come back" and had re-learned his computer keyboard and finished some of the writings he had started. Then, a heart attack proved fatal. His wife, Olyve, is "our cousin". His obituary follows:

### Thomas J. Abbott Jr.

FORT WORTH — Thomas J. Abbott Jr., 65, of Fort Worth, formerly of Wichita Falls, died Aug. 18 in a Fort Worth hospital. Services were under the direction of Shannon Funeral Home of Fort Worth.



Mr. Abbott was born May 19, 1929, in McAlester, Okla. He had lived in Fort Worth since 1958, having moved from Wichita Falls. He was a graduate of Central High School in Muskogee, where he played football and set a state record for the 220-yard dash and played on the state championship basketball team. He was a 1953 graduate of the University of Oklahoma and was voted as one of the seven outstanding students at the University by the faculty. He also attended Southern Methodist University for three years. He was a member of Westcliff United Methodist Church. He was also a member of Texas Pharmaceutical Association, Colonial Country Club, Rho Chi Society and the Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity. He was named Soldier of the Month on four occasions while serving at Brooke Army Hospital at Fort Sam Houston in San Antonio during the Korean War. He was the author of two novels and numerous short stories.

Survivors include his wife, Olyve Hallmark Abbott, formerly of Wichita Falls; two daughters, Devon Mihesuah of Flagstaff, Ariz., and Taryn Wilson of Fort Worth; a sister, Betty Jo Watson of Tulsa, Okla.; and two grandchildren.



Coleman Currie, of Lovington, Virginia, sent me a copy of "Genealogical Notes (1617-1937)" written by Randolph Caskie Coleman, of Tucson, Arizona, in April 1942. This is deposited in the Alderman Library, University of Virginia, and these writings were in the Special Collections Department of Manuscripts, Rare Books, University Archives.

In his listing of the children of Catherine Walker (Hawes) Coleman and her husband, John J. Coleman, there was a paragraph about their youngest son, Aylett Benjamin Coleman (1844-1864) who served in the Confederate Army and died of wounds received at the battle of Fisher's Hill. I am copying from Mr. Coleman's text, because I think our readers would like to know this -- as follows:

General John B. Imboden, in a letter to Judge John Marshall McCue of Staunton, dated "Headquarters Imboden's Cavalry Brigade, Page County, Nov. 14, 1864," said of young Coleman:

I knew him most intimately, and esteemed him as one of the purest, best and bravest youths I ever met. Indeed, no one could know Aylett Coleman without loving him. His appearance and manly bearing were such as to attract the attention of any stranger. I even remember that he repeatedly made such an impression on officers with whom we were casually thrown that they not only enquired of me particularly his name, but desired to know something of his history. For one so young, I think he was the fairest type I ever met of that noblest of all characters --- the high-bred Virginia Gentleman.

Extremely handsome in person, with a highly cultivated mind, he possessed the virtues and graces of an accomplished woman combined with the chivalrous courage, the acute sense of honor and the stern integrity of purpose and manly force of character that mark the best of our sex and win the affection and admiration of the good of all classes.

"Green is the sod on his soldier's grave  
and cherished is his memory by a grateful  
country".

Elizabeth Hawes Ryland wrote that one of the daughters of Richard Hawes II and wife, Henrietta (Nicholas) Hawes was engaged to young Aylett B. Coleman -- Clara -- and while it is very sad to read of his death, I think it is a privilege for us to read the above words about him. Clara never married. Thank you, Coleman.

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In some future Newsletter, your secretary is going to compile a long list of Hawes men who fought in ALL THE WARS -- I have some records but will search for more. From the beginning of our great country, they did their part.

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When Christmas-time arrived, my largest tray was "found", and a high pile of Christmas cards came from so many of you...thank you for remembering me....one of my daughters came in, saw them, saying, "Who are all those cards FROM?" Well, you know -- the Haweses... and when something comes from Saudi Arabia<sup>2</sup>, I know there's a message



from my close cousin, Susan Foster. This year she sent beautiful pictures of her family.  
Our member Nicholas Sellers is in Ukraine, teaching "for a year or so - law".

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In Mildred Yeiser's material was the following write-up of the fire which burned Clary's house -- I am sorry it carries no date, or from what newspaper it came, but am glad to have this for our records.

## HAWES ANCESTRAL RESIDENCE BURNS WITH \$15,000 LOSS

**Valuable Antique Furniture  
In Family Generations  
Goes Up In Flames;  
House 100 Years Old.**

Fire completely destroyed the beautiful Hawes home near Yelvington about 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon.

The fire caught from sparks falling on the roof. Some of the very handsome antique furniture downstairs was saved but nothing upstairs. The loss on the home is something like \$12,000 to \$15,000 irrespective of the loss of the furniture which has been in the family for generations and was very valuable. Something like \$3,500 insurance was carried on the place.

This home was one of the landmarks of the Yelvington section of the county, having been built by Mrs. Richard Hawes, great-grandmother of the present occupants, nearly 100 years ago. The three-story house was built of brick, single English bond style, rarely found now. The yellow popular rafters were put together with wooden pegs. The hardwood came from Richmond, Va. There were seven fireplaces in the house, in the style of 100 years ago.

The fire had gained such headway that neighbors quickly gathering on the grounds, could do nothing but help save what little they could from the burning building. Misses Sue and Cary Hawes for the present are with Dr. D. M. Griffith and Mrs. Griffith. James Hawes is with Mrs. J. G. Taylor and Miss Sue Taylor.

The first time I went to Kentucky was in 1980; we found the cemetery and then did some walking around on the road and under trees at the site of Clary's mansion, as they called it.

At that time, only a few houses were on that road, and as we walked along, I picked up many "burned bricks" or parts of bricks which were still easily found.

Now everything is different -- houses are plentiful and on the site of Clary's home are now two houses.

Was told the kiln was behind Clary's home where their "help" made the bricks which went into the building. But a bulldozing project changed the looks of her property, making these bricks (which sit on my mantel) more meaningful to me in 1995.

I could have picked up a bucket full as they were everywhere on that road.

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Our president, Anna Hawes Greaves, has made two trips down to the cemetery at Maceo-Yelvington. She met with representatives of monument companies, regarding needed work on the grave site of Richard Hawes. They later sent her estimates and she has turned these over to Walker Hawes (son of Col. Ben), one of the members of the Board of Directors for the cemetery. The Board will take whatever action they feel is proper, but both Anna and I are hopeful that our family association might be able to contribute toward any restorative work on Richard's grave-site, which is the oldest in the cemetery. We will be reporting on this at a later time.

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ON THE SHIP  
True Love  
The Hawes family emigrated from England after 1630<sup>35</sup> to Mass.

# FAMILY HAIVES

"Happy is He, Who  
With Bright regard  
Look Back upon  
His Father's Fathers  
Who With Joy  
recounts Their deeds  
of Grace and in himself  
values the latest  
Link in their fair  
Chain  
of Noble sequences"  
GOETHE

"Thy name is not  
of German born  
but is as  
fragrant  
as the English  
thorn"

(an interesting verse  
about the name  
HAIVES -)

Are these paste-on's leading up to something.....  
Yes. Turn to the next page for great news about  
a new book.



In February was published a new book, "GATEWAY FAMILIES" - Ancestors and Descendants of Richard Simrall Hawes III and his wife, Marie Christy (Johnson) Hawes. Their daughter Christy Hawes Bond (who is a member of our family association) wrote it. It is edited by Alicia Crane Williams, a professional genealogist who lives in Massachusetts, as does Christy.

The New England Historic Genealogical Society is the distributor and there are 630 pages, indexed, with over 75 full-page illustrations (in color), and this sentence gives an idea of her publication:

"One of the most carefully and lavishly produced genealogies in this century, it is also a magnificent work of scholarship."

A fan-shaped chart precedes each generation, and I wrote Christy telling her it was MAGNIFICENT....now, after much study and reading of it, I must say it is EXQUISITELY MAGNIFICENT.

The St. Louis Haweses are descendants of Richard Hawes II and his wife, Henrietta Morrison (Nicholas) Hawes. One of the most appealing pictures - to me - is an oil painting of Richard Hawes II, done when he was in his early manhood. This portrait is now owned by Richard Simrall Hawes III (Dick) and he is very proud of his daughter's accomplishment. Her dedication reads, simply: To my family.

If you'd like to write Christy, her address is: 65 The Valley Road, Concord, Massachusetts 01742.

The address of the New England Historic Genealogical Society is 101 Newbury Street, Boston, Mass., 02116-3087 FAX (617) 536-7307.

Appendix I contains pages of Collateral descendants. What a treasure -- GATEWAY FAMILIES.

The paste-on's on the previous page were cut from some records sent me regarding the New England Hawes people ---- more on this later.

Hoping this finds you and yours healthy, happy and hoping for an early Spring.

'Til next time, that's all for now.

your secretary  
Helen Hawes Hudgins

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