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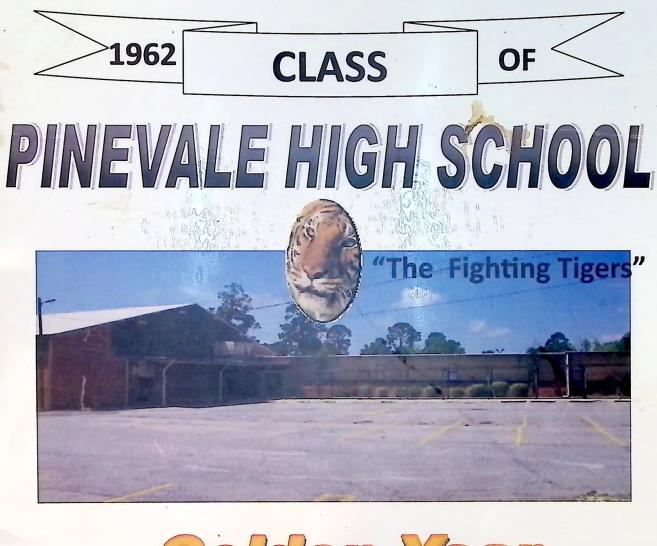
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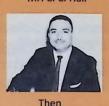
Class Rounion

May 25 - 27, 2012 Valdosta, Georgia

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Mr. C. C. Hall



Excerpt of School History



Pinevale High School opened its doors on October 15, 1956 at 6:45 a.m., with Mr. C.C. Hall, Principal and Mr. Ernest Haile, Assistance Principal. The faculty consisted of the following:

Edward Jones	Science Teacher & Coach	
Harvey L. Bannister	Mathematics & Science	
Clarence Lofton	Shop	
Levy Taylor	Diversified Cooperation Training	
Sara B. Jones	Science	
Georgia Stevens	English	
Doris Scott	Commercial	
Delores Davis	Health	
Mildred M. Hunter	English	
Mabel Brinson	Social Science & Guidance	
Carrie Lissimore	Social Science	

Mr. Hall sent out many loud cries for the students who had formally attended Dasher High and had not graduated to please return to school. After many efforts and pleads the students heard this great principle and began attending The all new but not perfect high school for black students. It would become a much greater school as far as equipment and textbooks were concerned, but there were no comparison with the high school that was across town.

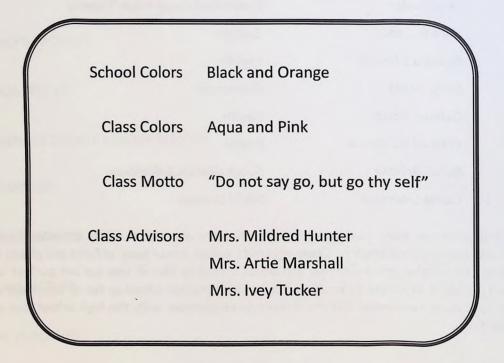
The teachers were dedicated to their jobs. They had a concern for their black students because they knew in years to follow these students would show their great ability even though they had very little to work with. These black teachers turned out some of the best's students a country could ever want to have as citizens.

School History Continued

As the years passed, the faculty grew as well as the student body. This Black High School became known from Atlanta to Miami; from Savannah to Tallahassee. The Mighty <u>Orange</u> and <u>Black</u> Tigers of Pinevale High School with over 2/3 of its faculty having earned master degrees could not help but produce as many doctors, lawyers and other professionals as they did, to include the "first Black Mayor for this great city of Valdosta.

This great group of people whose chemistry and physic lab only had the very minimum amount equipment. We read about Boyles' Law and how to produce chemical reactions, but never had the opportunity to experience with them.

Thanks to the dedicated science teachers they made it so vivid on paper until we actually thought we were doing the experiment.



From the Office of the Class President Harry Jenkins

Class of 1962 Class Reunion Committee

Vice President Willie Jean (Williams) Mitchell

> Secretary Pearlie (Simon) Burgess

Assist Secretary Annie (Frazier) Kelly

Treasure Lottie (Robertson) Strickland

Ambassador at Large Joseph Sonny Vickers

Sergeant of Arms Walter Bridges

Reunion Chairperson Laverne (Golden) McHellen

Public Relations Minnie (Thomas) Bridges

> Publisher Robert L. Moore

Committee Members

Argie Carter Mary Francis Bryant Catherine T. Battle John Tooley Gartrell Castleberry Margaret (Bridges) Gloster Narvell Goodman **BT Rose** Robbie (Water) Hester Laura Dixon Mattie Johnson Betty (Flucas) Paulk Ethel (Foster) Wiggs David Mabry **Robbie (Waters) Hesters** Marvin Hampton





Purpose: It is good for Classmate's to fellowship together. One can share various experiences as well as the journey one has maintained up till now. Realizing it started in Valdosta and spread in various ways and places. And for many it has returned to Valdosta, what an experience!

Our Journey: 50 years, 5 decades or 1/2 Century! Now that's a long blessed time to journey through life trails, tribulations, affliction's, loneliness, etc..

The path we are traveling can exemplify God's grace. In other words, God magnifies in our wickedness.

If we submit to God's will a strong character can develop through the various ways God orders our steps with trails or tribulations. Providing you have a relationship with our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

In this a daily relationship with God will allow you to communicate with him through prayer, singing of hymns and gospel songs, and he can speak back to you through reading the sword or the word, or mainly the Bible

This would prepare you for any event because Jesus has conquered the world with his death and resurrection.

So let's start or continue to be peace makers and not peace breakers in the world.

AGENDA

Our 50th year Class Reunion Agenda consist of:

- Friday: Registration and Meet & Greet
- Saturday: Banquet
- Sunday: Church Service

Friday — Class registration at the old Pinevale High School Gym, 3:00 to 5:00 pm. After 7:00 pm, you can register at Wood Valley Community Center: 1907 Gornto Road (behind the Mall).

At 7:00 pm Fish Fry and Hawaii Style during Meet & Greet .

Saturday — Banquet at Rain Water Conference Center at 6:30 pm.

Sunday — Worship Service at the Wood Valley Community Center, 907 Gornto Road at 11:00 am.

Schedule of Events

Friday May 25, 2012

3:00 P.M - 5:00 P.M

Registration Finevale | Lomax Learning Center Gym

7:00 - Until

Meet and Greet | Hawaii Style ^{With} Seafood Wood Valley Recreation 1907 Gornto Road

Frayer | Blessing | Greeting

Sonny Vickers

Entertainment

Limbo Stick Bingo Hoola Hoop

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Saturday Seque	nce of Event
Saturday, May	26, 2012
Banqu	et
Master of Ceremony	Sonny Vickers
Invocation	Walter Bridges
Solo	Marvin Hampton
Words from Class Fresident	Harry Jenkins
Tribute to Deceased Classmates & Faculty	Robbie (Waters) Hester
	Pearlie (Simon) Burgess
[Everyone join in singing Precious Memories	softly]
Grace	Robert Moore
Introduction of Speaker	Mary Francis (Mitchell) Bryant
Speaker	Doris (Baldwin) Carey
Remarks from Chairperson	Laverne (Golden) McHellen
Final Remarks Presentation	Harry Jenkins
Comments	Classmates & Faculty
Alma Mater	

Benediction

Willie Jean (Williams) Mitchell

Sunday May 27, 2012

Worship Leader

Maggie Lottie Strickland

Call to worship

Song......Marvin Hampton

Invocation......Robert Moore

Scripture

Old testament Ethel Wiggs

New TestamentAnnie (Frazier) Kelley

 Welcome
 Fannie Mae O'Neal

 Creative Expression
 Stacy Anderson

 Tabernacle COGIC
 Tabernacle COGIC

 Selection
 Class Choir

 Introduction of Speaker
 Margaret Gloster

 Speaker
 Reverend Booker T Rose

 Remarks
 Harry Jenkins

 Alma Mater
 Classmates

 Benediction and Grace
 Maggie Lottie Strickland



Mr. Levi Taylor Assist. Principal, D.C.T.



Mrs. Hazel Gibbs Principal's Secretary











Pinevale High School Faculty

From left to right Mrs. Laverne Torrence, (deceased) Counselor Mrs. Lillian Edwards (deceased) Supervisor

Miss. Ann Woodard (Physical Education Health) Mr. John T. Fisher (deceased) Physics





Mrs. Joyce C. Hatcher, (Chairman Mathematics Department) Mrs. Rosa Hughes (deceased) Homemaking





Mrs. Mable Brinson (deceased) Chairman, Social Studies Department Mrs. Mable Sherman, English, Music Mrs. Ivey Tucker (deceased) English Chairman, English Department Mrs. Doris Clark ((deceased) Business Chairman Education Department



Mr. Isaiah Isom (Industrial Arts) Miss Phyllis Gaines, Music, English





Ms. Louise Jenkins (French) Mr. Lewis C. Wright, Masonry Mrs. Josie S. Hunter **(deceased)** Literature Music











Mr. James H. Meeks (deceased) Chemistry Chairman, Science Department Miss Josie Thomas, Business Education



Miss Nettye A. Handy (English) Mrs. Myrtle Rumph (Mathematics)



Mr. Henry J. Gilmore (deceased) Health & Phy. Ed. Coach Miss Nettye A. Handy, English Mrs. Mildred Hunter (deceased) History

Mr. Edward Jones (deceased) Chairman Physical Education Dept., Coach & Gen. Science, Mrs. Sarah Jones Biology & Gen. Science







Mrs. B.J. King (deceased) Librarian & Algebra Miss Carrie Lissimore (deceased) Government & Sociology

Mrs. Artie Marshall (Homemaking)

Mr. Carter Marshall (deceased) Chair. Of Music Dept. & Band Dir.



Class of 1962 Class Roster

Arnold, Nettie (deceased) Baker, Harold Baldwin, George (deceased) Barnes, Jessie Baker, Ruby (deceased) Bell, Jimmy (deceased) Berry (Holder), Bennie Bridges, Walter Bridges (Thomas), Minnie Brown, Maxine Bryant (Mitchell), Mary Francis Burgess (Simon), Pearlie Carey (Baldwin), Doris Carter Johnson), Argie Mae Castleberry, Gartrell Chastine (Johnson), Ruth Ann Clark, Chester Clarkson, Betty (deceased) Davis, Julia F. Davis, Viola Dixon, James Dixon, Laura Dwight, Bertha M. Ellis, Johnnie B. Evans, Evelyn Felton, Margaret Freeman, Geraldine (deceased) Flucas (Hampton), Annie Lois Gary, Elbert (deceased) Gatson, Robert Gloster (Bridges), Margaret Goodman, Narvell Graham, Melvin (deceased) Graham, Isaac Griggs (Young), Geraldine Evans, Tommy (deceased) Hampton, Marvin Harris, George Henderson, Charles (deceased)

Hubbard, William Hunter (Williams), Ernestine Hester (Waters), Robbie Rose Holmes, Mildred (deceased) Homer, Joseph B. (deceased) Jackson, Alfred (deceased) James, Marietta Jenkins, Harry Jenkins, Betty Jo (deceased) Johnson, (Gordon) Mattie Johnson, Mattie Mae (deceased) Johnson, Shirley (deceased) Jones, Amos (deceased) Jones, Mary Alice Jones, Robert (Billy Cooper) deceased Kelly (Frazier), Annie Lee, Charles Lee, Gwendolyn Little, Nell L. Mabry, David Mercy, Leroy (deceased) Miller, Louise Mills (Harrell), Marie Mitchell (Watson), Juanita Mitchell (Williams), Willie Jean Moore, James (deceased) Moore, Robert L. Moore, William Muns, Betty McElrath, Josephine McGrady, James (deceased) McGee, Ellis McHellen (Golden) Laverne Newsome, Robert O'Neal, Fannie Osborne (Copeland), Gloristine Paulk (Flucas), Betty Payton, Squire Powell, Catherine

Roberts (Henderson), Mattie Robertson, Shula M. Robertson, Simon J. Roberts, Carrie Rose, Booker T Jr. Rose, Wilbur (deceased) Royal, Moses (deceased) Sampson, Betty (deceased) Sharpe, Mildred Simpson, Henry Jr. (deceased) Smith (Berrian), Delores Smith (Fason), Ida Mae (deceased) Smith (Ward), Mattie L. Smith, Willie James Stevens, Emory Sloan, Josephine Strickland, Edward Strickland (Robertson), Lottie, M aggie Stone, Alex (deceased) Swain, Earvin (deceased) Tarver (Haynes), Elnora Taylor, Clee Ester Thomas, Melvin Thomas, Richard L. Tooley, John Tyson (Battle), Catherine Tyson, Emma B. (deceased) Walker, Mary M. Warden, Earl (deceased) Weatherspoon, Arthur (deceased) Webb, Bertha (deceased) Webb, Dorothy J White (Rose) Janie Vickers (McCoggle), Jacqueline(deceased) Vickers, Sonny

Prime, Willie (deceased)

Kids Page

Lowndes County Historical Society January-February 2004

February is Black History Month

Macedonia First Baptist Church and Valdosta's First School for Black Children

Reverend Charles Anderson was a remarkable man.



He was a former slave from Savannah. who came to Valdosta in the 1860s. He was an ordained minister and a man of great vision. In 1866 he organized Macedonia First Baptist Church. When the Troupville Baptist Church blew down in a storm, Reverend Anderson saw an opportunity. He approached the church leaders and purchased the lumber for \$130.

He worked as a laborer to raise the money for the wood. With this he built a church building for his congregation.

Education was also important to Reverend Anderson. He not only started one of Valdosta's first black churches, but he also started the first free school for black children



A young ox cart driver in Valdosta.

Laura moved to Liberia

Would you leave everything you know and move to another country? Would you do it for freedom and a new start? A return to your roots?

Laura Yerby was 16 when she and 200 other freedmen from Lowndes County returned to Africa.



Formerly enslaved Africans who wished to return to Africa settled in Liberia. Conditions were harsh and many people returned to America. This photograph of Laura Yerby was taken around 1890 in Monrovia, Liberia, before her return to Lowndes County.

A Leader in Education

Another local leader who had an impact on Valdosta was Reverend J. L. Lomax. Rev. Lomax was born in Valdosta in 1889. He was pastor of Macedonia Baptist Church for 34 years. He was best known as an educator. He was principal of Magnolia Street School and later was principal of Dasher High School. Pinevale-Lomax Elementary School is named for him. Reverend Lomax died in 1976 and is buried in Sunset Hill Cemetery.



For more about history ask your parents if you may visit our web site at <u>www.valdostamuseum.org</u> The Kids Page is made possible through the Rudolph and Lilly Howell Trust

J.L. Lomax Elementary School is also named after Principle Lomax.

Museum features postcards from the Past

Our Lowndes County Historical Museum is in receipt of a grand collection of old Valdosta and Lowndes County postcards.

Coming from Joanne Lewandowski and her father, the late John D. Miley, we received 49

Way Back When

postcards in mint condition. They were collected through the years by Miley, formerly from Hahira.

Miley was one of our longtime members we never met. His daughter, Joanne, handled his membership each year. She

Albert Pendleton Columnist

lives in Germantown, Md., and her father was in a Soldier's Home in Georgia.

The postcards we received are priceless. We already had some of them, but not as clean and clear as Miley kept them. There were some we had never seen before. We had a damaged card of Smith Park, facing from west to east. Now, thanks to Miley and Joanne, we have one facing from east to west.

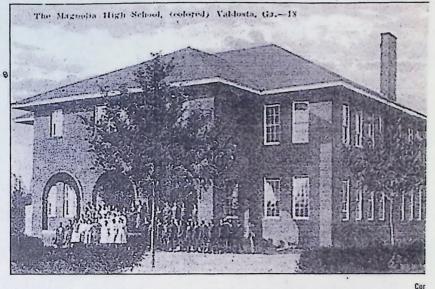
There are also several scenes of the Lowndes County Courthouse, and others of importance, such as, Suitsus Dairy, Pines Camp, "Through the Pines to Troupville," Shiloh School "5 miles SW of Hahira," and "On the Withlacoochee River, near Valdosta," with men in a fishing boat.

One other card I had never seen is a colorful one of the old Magnolia Street School with students spilling out the front door, a clean, clear picture postcard. Probably none of us have seen this card. The school was on West Magnolia Street.

The school was in operation in Valdosta 54 years and was the oldest black school in Lowndes County. It was built in 1916 for \$6,700 and closed in 1970. The old building was destroyed later.

Jacqueline Brown, former student at the school, was instrumental in having a monument placed at the site. The school was grades 1-11 until Dasher High School was built on South Lee Street. Magnolia School then became grades 1-7.

The first principal of Magnolia Street School was Cyrus G. Miley, followed by J.L. Lomax, L.E. Bell, C.C. Hall, R.P. Binford and George L. Duckworth.



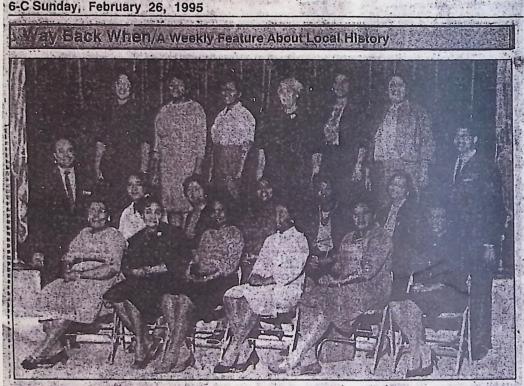
The above postcard is of Magnolia Street School, 1916-1970, the first black school in Lowndes County.

Some of the teachers through the years were Mildred Morris, Doris Barber, Annie Montgomery, Fannie Lomax, Mozelle Blocker, Eve Brown, Helen Scott, Ida Morgan Cook, Daisy White DeShazior, Clara Jackson, Bertha Jones, Willie Mack Jones, Gertrude Campbell, Rose Bell, Wynona Walker, Dorothy Best Green, Ethel Howard and Ruby Boykin.

A former Valdosta School Board member, Jacqueline Brown worked a year and a half to collect enough funds to buy the monument. At the ceremony for placing the monument, she said: "Magnolia Street School plays an important part of our heritage in Valdosta, and my foundation of education began here in the first grade. Magnolia Street School is a place to be remembered and honored."

And so we honor Magnolia Street School again with our postcard of the handsome building.

"Way Back When" book, Volume I by Albert S. Pendleton is for sale at the Museum, 305 W. Central Ave., 106 stories, \$25. Albert Pendleton is archivist/historian of the Lowndes Co. Historical Society and Mi.



This photograph was taken Jan. 30, 1964, at Magnolia Street Elementary School whose principal was R.P. Binford. — Photo courtesy of Lowndes County Historical Society

agnolia Street, first black public school in Lowndes

By ALBERT PENDLETON Historical Museum curator

VALDOSTA - Magnolia Street School was one of Valdosta and Lowndes County's oldest black public schools,

The school was in operation for 54 years. It was built in 1916 for the amount of \$6,700, closed in 1970 and torn down a few years later. There were additions which still stand empty,

Through the efforts of Jacqueline Brown, a monument was placed at Mozelle Blocker, Eve Brown; second the site of the old school. She worked a year and a half to secure the monument. At the ceremony of the plac-ing of the monument, she said; "Magnolia Street School plays an important part of our heritage in Valdosta, and my foundation of education began in first grade here. Magnolia Street School is a place to be remembered and honored.

Ms. Brown is a former Valdosta Ruth Council wrote: "Mrs. B.S. School Board member.

The inscription on the monument reads: "Original site of Magnolia Street School. First Black Public School in Lowndes County - 1916ley."

Ms. Brown supplied the photograph that we use here. This is a group of teachers who taught at Magnolia. They are, top row left to right: Mildred Morris, Doris Barber, Annie Montgomery, Fannie Lomax, row:, Principal R.P. Binford, Helen Scott, Ida Morgan Cook, Daisy White DeShazion, Clara Jackson, Bertha Jones and Willie Mack Jones; Third row: Gertrude Campbell, Rosa Bell, Wynona Walker, Dorothy Best Green, Ethel Howard and Ruby Boykin.

Jones' fifth grade class was organized on Monday, and the following officers were elected: President, Maude Johnson; Secretary, Beatrice A. Mitchell; Treasurer, Gloria Jean 1970 - First Principal, Cyrus G. Wi- ⁴Rucker; Reporter; Margaret Ann Wade; Chaplain, Charles McGowan. The class plans many events which will be published later., Delores Hart' of Duval County public schools, Jacksonville, Fla., and Valdessa Holloway of Wetherington-Robinson of Valdosta are new additions to our classes."

In the same paper we find: "The Magnolia Street Elementary School's P.T.A. will meet at 8 p.m., Tuesday, Oct. 13, in the school's library. We are asking all parents to be present as cards will be given out and various problems will be discussed con-Activities of the school used to run cerning the students as well, as is The Times. On Friday, Oct. 9, 1959, recommendations."



Reunion of 2007

Memories



Reunion of 2007



First Class Reunion, 1982



2005 Class Reunion



2005 Class Reunion (Class Choir)





A fellowship visit at Willie Jean home

Memories

A fellowship visit at Willie Jean home during the death of her father; left, right



Betty Flucas Paulk retirement luncheon May 2011





Betty Flucas Paulk retirement luncheon May 2011



Class committee meeting Aug 2011



Betty Flucas Paulk retirement luncheon May 2011



Class Christmas Dinner December 2010



Class committee meeting Nov 2011



Class Christmas Dinner December 2009



Class Christmas Dinner December 2011



2011 Class Fellowship At Robert's home



2012 New Year Day Fellowship At Robert's home



2012 New Year Day Fellowship At Robert's home



2011 Reunion Workshop at Laverne's Home



2011 Class meeting



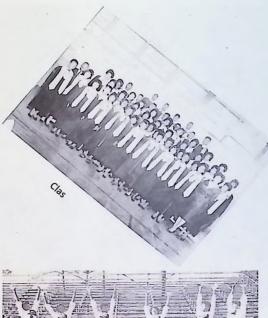
A Pot Luck Dinner at Jean Home during the mourn of her father



2011 Reunion Workshop at Laverne's Home

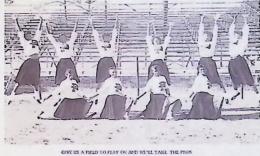








Pinevale Cosmetology Class for 1962



Give us a field to play on and we will take the price









Left:

Team



The Fighting Tigers football team



INDUSTRIAL ARTS CLASS Mr. I. Osom



The Marching 45



The Champs



P. H. S. BAND Mr. C. D. Manhall



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BRICK MASONRY CLASS



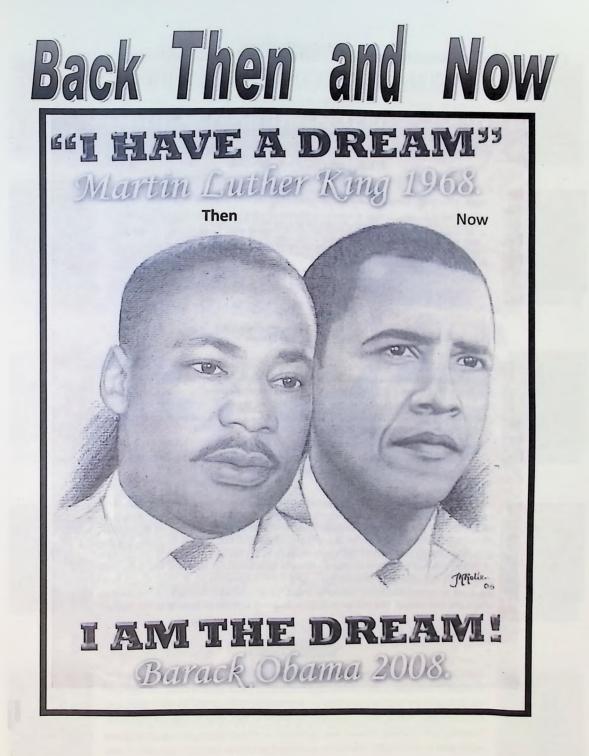
Miss Pinevale



The Fighting Tigers Football Team







Class of 1962 classmates present themselves to you with a photo of back <u>Then</u> (in the school days), and <u>Now</u> a most resent photo with a brief Biography (BIO).

Willie Jean (William) Mitchell



Right after High School Jean married Leon Mitchell and worked as a Clerk for 2 years. She then relocated to Newark, NJ. She then went to work for Griffin Electronic for 5 years. In 1971, Jean started her employment with Essex County Hospital, Cedar Grove, NJ; after 28 years of employment she retired in 1999, and relocated back to Valdosta. She has 3 children, 3 grand Children's, and 8 great grand children's.





Robbie (Waters) Hester

Robbie Married James Morrison shortly after high school and they has three children's. She remarried to Preston Hester and was married for 43 years prior to his death in 2008. They have 9 children's, 22 grand children's and 10 great grand children. She worked as Supervisor for Housekeeping at the Nursing Home. She is a member of Woodland Church of Christ. Robbie is involved in the Speak Ministry and the Ladies Program Ministry. Her Favorite Bible Verse is "Phillip 4:3".



Josephine (Fuller) Mc Elrath



Josephine Frances Fuller McElrath graduated from Pinevale High School in 1962. She attended Grady School of nursing, Atlanta, GA and graduated in 1965. Upon becoming an RN, she served in the Air Force Medical Corps. In 1968 after serving 2 years on active duty, she moved to Durham; North Carolina and attended North Carolina Central (Now University) (BS Nursing) and worked at Duke University as an RN. – She later married Joseph McElrath, a career military man and spent some time traveling. Attended Ball State University (MA Counseling) in Alconbury, England - Spent some time in Austin Texas where she went to nurse practitioner school in Dallas, Texas. She later moved to Gainesville FL where she now resides. She retired in 2010 as Assistant Director of Nursing at the Alachua





Right after High School, Charles attended Edward Waters College on a Scholarship in Football where he was the starting Quarterback for three years. In 1966 He received his BS degree in Social Studies. And in 1972 Charles received his Master's degree in Education from Florida A&M University. He retired in 2001 after 35 years of Classroom Teaching and Coaching Football and Basketball at Ribault Senior School. 21 of those years were in Jacksonville, Florida. He is married to Carolyn Fairwater and have 1 son, 2 daughters, 5 grandchildren's.

Charles Lee



Pearlie (Simon) Burgess)



Pearlie relocated to Miami, FL right after graduation. She worked at JC Penny's for 10 years. She then attended Miami Community College and received her certification in Early Childhood and went to work for a Day Care Center for 4 years. She then started her employment with Florida Department of Juvenile Justice in Food Service Department administration. Pearlie retired in 2004 and moved back to Valdosta. She is married to John Burges, has 2 children, 11 grand children's, and 4 great grand children's

Margaret (Bridges) Gloster





Margaret married in 1962 and relocated to Miami, FL after graduation. She went to work at a Juvenile Court at a Youth Hall for 7 years. She then moved back to Valdosta; her employment consisted of Factory work, Dowling Bag company, ITT Thompson Auto Parts Factory. Margaret has 6 children, 14 grand children's, and 10 great grand children's

Frances (Duncan) Harrison



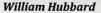
Frances is a license in Cosmetology from Pinevale. Through her courage and strong-will she was the first lady attendant for a Funeral Home, a Dental Assistance, and a Bank Teller. Frances is compassionate about saving lives so she became a Respiratory Therapist as well as building Children's future as a State of Illinois Certified elementary School teacher. She's the owner of Faith Developmental and Daycare Center She is married for 48 years to Dr. Daniel Harrison and they have 2 sons.





Mattie (Ward) Smith

Mattie Married Jimmy Williams 1963; and was married for 25 years to his death. She worked for Levis for 26 years went to work at Levis right after high school. Mattie remarried to Timothy Smith in 1995 and they relocated to Ft. Lauderdale, FL right after her Honey Moon. She has two children's; Rhonda that is an RN in Atlanta, and her son that has retired from the Navy after 20 years and he has been on the Police force for 7 years. She also has 5 grand children's.



Hubbard went into the Army right after High School. His employment consists of the following: Funeral Home, Air Condition Servicing and Repair, Railroad and the Telephone Company. William retired in 2002. He is married to Gloria Gross for 44 years and he has 4 children, 5 grand children's, and 2 great grand children's.





Elnora Haynes Tarver



Elnora married to Aaron Tarver in 1964 and are been married for almost 48years. She has 4 children, 3 grandchildren's, and 1 great grandchild. Her employments consisted of Dental Assistance, Library Assistance, and she worked 30 years with the Army Air Force Exchange Service. She retired July 31, 2010. Elnora love spending quality time with family, traveling, plays, movies, bowling and working out at the Gym. Her favorite is "Precious Lord".

Now



Earnestine Williams Hunter

Earnestine received a degree in Business from DeKalb Area Tech School, Atlanta, GA,. She was married Gaines Hunter, Jr. for 38 years and has 6 children, 18 grandchildren and 13 great-grand children. Earnestine worked at many department stores prior to working with the DeKalb County State Court. She retired in 2004 after 25 years of employment with DeKalb County State Court. She enjoy traveling and has been on a number of cruises, and visit Hawaii, London, Paris, Scotland, New York, Washington, Florida, and Las Vegas.

Minnie (Thomas) Bridges



Minnie went to work at Levi's after graduation for a few months. She then married and relocated to Boston, MA. After a few months she moved to Cleveland, OH; where she was employed with Woodworth; after two years she relocated back to Valdosta. She worked at Pic N Save. She attended Val Tech and received a Certificate in Clerical. She then began her Civil Service career at Moody Air Force Base. After 5 years she transferred to Social Security. Minnie retired in 2004 after 33 years of Civil Service. Minnie is married to Walter Bridges for 7 years and they have 4 children's and 12 grand children's

Lottie Mae (Robertson) Strickland

Lottie attended Pinevale Cosmetology Course and passed the Georgia State Bar for Cosmetology. She worked in the Valdosta Transportation Department for over 20 years. She was a School Bus driver and later a CDL examiner and later Supervisor for Valdosta City School Transportation Department. Lottie retired in 2004. She has been married to Eugene Strickland for over 47 years and they has three children and eight grand children.





Richard attended Walker's Business College on scholarship for one 1 year. Richard was drafted into the United States Army from 1965-1967. After his discharge he received his in business degree from University of NY. He worked for the University of NY Medical Center and became Assistant Manager. In 1983 he worked for the Postal Service from 1983—2003 and medical retired. Richard is married to Vashi Seale. he has 3 children's and 2 grand children's.

Richard Thomas





Laverne Golden McHellen



Laverne married Johnnie McHellen in 1961 and were married for 31 years until his death in 1992. After graduating from high school she 'attended Albany State College. After leaving Albany State, she traveled with her husband to different duty station which included many places in Europe. She received a Certificate for Business in Military School at Fort Campbell Kentucky. Laverne has 5 daughters who are all very successful in their own rights. 7 grand children's, and 2 great grand children's. Oma's Learning Center & Daycare became a reality 30 years ago for me, while caring the honorable title as the oldest black daycare center owner in Valdosta. I have since retired. But I still keep my hands deep in MY BUSINESS.





Catherine Battle

Catherine married Joseph Battles right after High School. In 1975 she went to work for Saft, and been working there since. She is a member of Union Cathedral and she does Outreach Ministry in her community, the Nursing Home's and the Hospital. Catherine has 5 children's 12 grandchildren's, and 7 great grand chil-

Viola (Davis) Carter



Viola Married Joe Carter in 1963. She later went to work for Levi's Manufactory Company. Bennie worked in the audit department, The Pressing department, Cutting department, and the sewing department. Viola worked for Levi's for 34 years; and then went to worked for Valdosta school system as a Special Education Teacher teaching special children for the last 12 years. She has 3 children, 1 step son, 2 grand children's, 4 step – grand children's, and 3 great grand children's.

Betty Flucas Paulk

Betty went to work doing domestic work right after High School. She work there 4 years and then started work at Metal Product for 17 years. She then worked for Valdosta School System as a Crossing Guard for 43 years and she then retired. Betty married to Ernest Paulk In 1970. She has 2 children.

Gartrell Castelberry



After High School Gartell relocated to Queen's, NY . He then went to work at a factory for 3 years making toys for kids. He then went to work for Naton Shoe Store as a salesman for 5 years. Gartell then went to work for New York City Correctional Faculty. He medical retired August 29, 1989 after 16 1/2 years. He is married to Geraldine Taylor and has 3 children's and 1 grand child.









Doris (Baldwin) Carey

Doris received an associate degree from Southwestern Christian College, Terrell Texas in 1964, and received her BS degree in business, 1985. She earned her Masters in Reading from Grand Canyon University, Phoenix, AZ in 2009. Doris retired after 22 years, four months of teaching middle grades and elementary students. She was married to the late Minister Edward Carey for 38 years, 9 months and 21 days.

Clee Esther (Mitchell) Taylor

Clee Taylor Work over 10 years with RCA, and more than 10 years with ITT. During her employment with RCA she worked in "Fab"; one of the cleanest and coldest laboratory you can imagine. They were required to wear thermal cold weather jumpsuits with mask and caved shoes where she fabricated lines, measured, inspected and tested other work. At ITT she worked as a Research and Development Utility Operator that requires her to schedule much of her own work and move from operation to operation.

Narvell Goodman

After School, Narvell went to Newark New Jersey where he worked at a Pipe and Steel company. In 1965 he was drafted into the Army. He received an honorable discharged in 1967. After his Military service he returned back to Valdosta and worked for Valdosta State University for 33 years and then retired.

Delores (Davis) Harrison

Deloris got married right after High School. She worked 1 year plus doing Domestic work. She then relocated to Ft Knox in joining her husband. She moved back to Valdosta and went to work at the Cotton Mill. Her Husband deceased in 1968. Deloris started her career with Southern Bell and later AT&T in 1972. Her job requires her to relocate several times to different cities and States. After 31 with AT&T she retired in 2001 in Jacksonville, FL. She has 1 child and 2 grandchildren's.

Marie (Harrell) Mills

In 1963 Maria relocated to Phila, PA, for 2 years where she worked at a dry cleaning work. She returned to Valdosta and again she worked at a drycleaner. On February 4, 1967 Maria married Willie Edward (Bill) Mills, Jr. and has been married for 45 years. She has 1 daughter, 1 god daughter, and 4 grand children's. In the 60's she also worked for a factory that made underwear for the Military that was shipped to Viet Nam. Marie received her L.P. N. in nursing in 1972 from Greenville Community College, Greenville, S. C. and began her career in Nursing. She is currently employed with 33 years of nursing experience at the Golden Living Health Care Center, Decatur, Ga.









Argie Mae (Johnson) Carter



After High School Argie worked for Levi's for one year. She then worked 9 years with Coral Corporation; Valdor Product for 12 years, and then Domestic work. Argie retired in 2002. She is divorce from Edward Carter and has two children, and one grandchild.

Annie (Frazier) Kelly



In 1963 Annie Louis married Luther Kelly. She has 2 daughters, 2 grandsons, and 1 great grandson. In 1999 Annie Louis earned a Certificate from Valdosta Tech as a Supervisor Management Specialist. She worked AS Office Assistant at 1st Beginning, and over 30 years as a Certified (expert) Seam-stress. For 23 years or more Annie Louis has been called into the Outreach Ministry. Her heart lies in the Jail and Prison Ministry. She is a faithful Volunteer with the Azalea City Jail Ministry, Freedom Outreach Ministry, and the Lord and Turner's Prison Ministry in addition to Nursing Home Ministry. She is also Chairman of the Kitchen Ministry for her church.







Laura Dixon

Laura Went to work at Levi's, a very popular sewing factory in the 60's. After 31 years of employment, she retied from Levi's in 1999. Laura went back to school and obtained CAN in 2003. She is presently working for Special Agencies where she provide special Care to Elders. She had 1 daughter (deceased), 3 grandchildren's, and 8 great grandchildren's.





Right after High School Snow White gave birth to her 1st child. Later she moved to Brooklyn, NY for 2 years, she then mover to the Bronx, NY and worked as a Salesman with Alexander's for 1 year. She then moved to Long Island where she presently resign. Prior to her retirement in 2008 she was employed with Macy's for 46 years. Snow White is married to Kenneth Griggs

since 1962. She has 4 children's, 8 grandchildren's, and 9 great grand chil-

Geraldine Young Griggs





William Moore

After Graduation William attended Savannah Vocational Tech School and majored in Electronics. He then worked as an electrical helper for 6 months and then joined the Air Force. William worked part time cutting hair, janitor at nights, and repairing TV's in his home to help pay his student Ioan. After his enlistment was up, he returned to Valdosta and was offered a job in Law Enforcement but instead he went into the Army. William retired from the Military in 1986 with a Degree in Liberal Arts. He is presently Self-Employed; and he is married to Belinda Pennington; on March 1, 1977, and he has 3 children's, and 2 grandchildren's.



Mary Francis (Mitchell) Bryant



Mary Francis is the mother of 4 children (1 deceased), 9 grand children's, and 3 great grand children's. She was employed with district Health for 3 years; she retired from Mental Health after 11 1/2 years. Then worked 1 1/2 years as a Teen Center Director; worked with Children's with Dr. Lopez for 1 1/2 years. Mary 2nd retirement came after working 10 1/2 years with VSU as Development Specialist Pre School Teacher. She is presently CEO and founder of Mary's Personal & Private Setting.. Mary is also a volunteer for the Historical Board for Valdosta and Lowndes County.





Geraldine worked as a seamstress after High School. She later relocated to Washington, D.C. Her career consisted of Seamstress and Cook (which she loved to do).

Geraldine Freeman

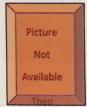
She relocate back to Valdosta in the early 70's and worked as a Crossing Guard for Valdosta Public School System. Geraldine then went to work at a restaurant as a cook and she did seamstress on her own. Geraldine life expired on April 17, 2012.. Please keep her family in your prayers.

Mattie (Henderson) Roberts



Mattie Traveled with husband shortly after High School; they spent 2 years in Travis AF Base, 2 years is Denver CO, Thailand 1 year, and 1 year at Homestead FL, and Taulie retired from the AF in 1973 at Miami, Garden, FL. Mattie then worked for the postal Service for 32 years and retired in 2005. Mattie married to Taulie Roberts in 1968. She had 1 son and 3 grand son's.





David Mabry

David went into the United States Army right after High School. After his Basic Training and Advance Individual Training, he were shipped to Vietnam where he spent four Tours back-to-back. His additional overseas assignments are: 1 tour in Korea, and 2 tours in Germany. David were station in several different States in the USA. He retired from the Army after 21 years in 1987. David has 4 children, 3 grand children's, and 3 great grand children's.







Harry attended Morris Brown College after High School in Atlanta. He received a degree in Political Science. He then went to Law School and received an LLB in Law. After his schooling Harry worked for Sears, Penny's, and then went to work for MAR-TA Transportation Department prior to his retirement. Harry retired in 2007 and relocated back to Valdosta. He married to Erma Lester and had 3 children's and 2



Ethel (Foster) Wiggs



Ethel Wiggs attended Morris Brown College. She received her BS degree in 1968 in elementary education. She also received a certificate in mental restoration. She is an elementary school teacher and taught at South East Elementary School for 23 years. Ethel retired from Valdosta Board of Education in 1991.

Marvin Hampton



Marvin went to Albany State College after high School for 2yrs. He was drafted into the Army in 1965, spent 2 years and received an honorary discharge in 1979. Prior to his retirement in 2005; his career consisted of 12 years of Food Service work in Miami, FL; 8 years at 1st National Bank, Valdosta; 2 years in Sales at Sears; 5 years Self - Employed, and 5 years Assist. Mgr. at VSU. Marvin married Evelyn Frazier in 1967; he has 2 children, and 1 grand child.

Gloristine Copeland) Osborne



Gloristine (Copeland) Osborne relocated to New Jersey right after High School. She Married to James Osborne, Sr. on September 3, 1966 . She received a certificate from Rugurs University in Telecommunications, and a certificate in Computers. Gloristine worked in Telecommunication and Business with the University of Medicine and Dental for 37 years prior to her retirement in 2002. She has been married for 46 years and has 2 children's and 2 grand children's.



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Mattie finished her High School in Washington, DC. She moved back to Valdosta and went to work for Levi's for 23 years (until they went out of business. Mattie then went back to school and received her Certification as a Certified Dialysis Technician She is presently employed as a Renal Care Therapy Technician . She married to Robert John-

Mattie Johnson



Robert L. Moore

son in 1981 and has 6 children, 30 grand children's, and 30 + great grandchildren's.



Robert learned how to appreciate money by picking cotton, cropping tobacco and other field work. He went to work at South GA pecan Factory right after High School for one year and then moved to Ft Lauderdale, FL. He then went to work at Ft Lauderdale Orange Blossom (making orange juice). One year later he relocated to Stanford, Conn and worked at a linen plant for one year. In 1966 he was drafted into the United States Army. Robert has been in 3 different wars, and was station at many stateside as well as overseas assignments. He is a retired Sergeant Major with 26 years of active duty. He is married to Lorena (Duce) Moore; and he had 8 children (3 deceased), 1 step-son, 21 grandchildren's, and 11 great grandchildren's.







Nell Little



Nell Went to Bethune Cookman College in Daytona, FL right after High School. She received a degree in Social Worker. She had 5 children (2 deceased), 4 grand children's, and 4 great grandchildren's. Nell worked in Atlanta for Georgia Regional Hospital as a Social Worker for 27 years and retired in 2005. She then relocated to Thomasville, GA where she residing.

Sonny Vickers



Sonny married to Jackie 1959 until her death in 1978. From 80-93 he was married to Arvero. His employment consist of Construction work 4 yrs., Furniture Store, He ran a grocery store, a service station, and a car lot. He was a chemistry specialist for 15 yrs., and he worked as a contractor specialist. Sonny Began Politics in 1986 and been Valdosta City Councilman for over 20 years. Sonny was appointed Valdosta 1st Black Mayor until the end of election year. He is currently City Councilman for Dist. # 3 and has 10 children's, 15 grand children's, and 6 great grand children's.







B.T. went to work for Colon Mc Cray Construction right after High school; after 2 years he work for So. GA Medical Center as a Social Counselor for 5 years. From 70-78 he attended Seminar School, and 2 years at Carver Bible School for 2 years, B.T. Worked for Atlanta Life Insurance for 3 yrs. 27 Yrs. at GA Power Light company and retired. He then became fulltime Pastor and has Pastored 6 different churches prior to Pastoring Young's Chapel Church in Douglas, GA. He is the President of the 11th District Missionary Convention, and other Org.'s. B.T. is married for 47 vrs., he has 3 children's, 11 grandchildren, and 1 great grand.

Booker T. Rose



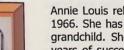
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Fannie moved to Queens, N. Y. right after High School. She work for the City of NY as a Traffic Investigator where she staved until she retired. Fannie relocated back to Valdosta and gained employment with the Valdosta School System where she work with Special need Students. After 5 years Fannie transferred to Receptionist. She retired in 2011. Fannie has 3 children, 10 grandchildren's, and 2 great grand children's.





Annie Louis relocated to Miami, FL in 1964. She married James Flucas in 1966. She has 2 children, 3 step-children, 6 grand children's, and 1 great grandchild. She is the Owner of Flucas & Son Janitor Service. After 40 years of successful business she retired and turned her business over to her son whom she works part-time for. She thank Pinevale High School Committee for the great work in keeping the class informed with what's going on; and all the planning of these memorable reunion. "May God bless you all".

Annie Louis (Hampton) Flucas

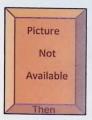


Bennie (Holden) Berry



Bennie married to Hosie Berry in 1960 until his death in 2008. Bennie is proud to let everyone know she started off doing labor work that consisted of Cropping and stringing tobacco, picking cotton and other daily field work. She had her first child in 1961, and later worked for a daycare Center for 1 year. She then worked at Pine View Hospital for 3 years. Bennie also worked at Crest Wood and Holy Hill Nursing Home. She retired from Park Wood Nursing Home in 2004. She has 4 children, 10 grand children and 3 great grand children's.





John Tooley worked at the Coca-Cola Factory for 2 years prior to working for Skyline Mobile Homes for 3 years. He then worked for Mayflower Moving Van Line for 9 years; He retired in 1998. John became a Deacon in 1965 and was called into Ministry in 1968. He then became Bishop of the 9th District in 1998 which he was the overseer of 6 churches until his health start failing him which cause him to resign. Bishop Tooley married Betty Henry in 1964 and they has 5 children, 7 grand children's, and 2 great grand children's.



Isaac Graham



Isaac signed up for the Draft and was drafted into the Army right after High School. Isaac spent 6 years in the Army prior to being medical discharged he spent 5 months in the Gainesville VA hospital, and 4 months at Augusta hospital. He then moved to Detroit MI where he worked 10 years as Security Guard prior to his medical retirement. Isaac married to Victoria Freeman in 1973; he has 8 children's (1 deceased), 8 grand children's, and 3 great grand children's.



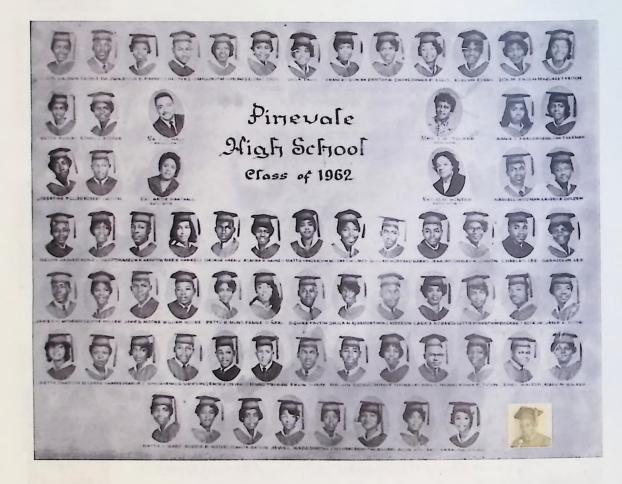


Walter Bridges

Walter entered the US Army April 1962. He served as an Engineer, Area Communication Chief and Instructor. He has a BS Degree in Sociology. He retired from the Army in Oct. 1988 as a Command Sergeant Major. After retiring Walter taught School for a short while then worked for the Postal Service and retired in 2005. Walter is married to Minnie Thomas and they has 4 children's and 12 grand children's.



The Class of 1662





From the Publisher Robert L. Moore



Greeting to all Classmates:

"Welcome to all, to our Fiftieth Class Reunion". It is truly a blessing, and I give thanks and honor to God for life and a reasonable portion of health and strength. He has blessed you and I with seeing another reunion. All of us could have been in the number of those classmate which lives has expired.

We all should enjoy this reunion as if it's our last one, because we do not know who will be here for the next one. My prayer is that this will be the best reunion of our times. First, I would like to Thank God for the knowledge and experience to develop and construct this Class Year Book.

Second, I give an apology for any errors and/or omissions if there may be any. An extra thanks to all that supported this cause. This has been a very challenging task gathering the information for the book. Putting this book together would not had happen without the help of classmates and family members of classmates. From the bottom of my heart, "Thank You".

I ask everyone to keep our most recently deceased classmate's family in your prayers. Geraldine Freeman passed after a long period of illness. She leaves to mourn a daughter, a son and two grandson's. Her funeral was held May 21, 2012.

In Closing, I also thank the Book Committee for their help in developing this memory book.

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