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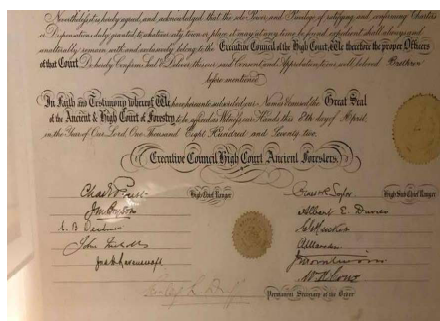
## E. B. DEADMAN AND THE ANCIENT ORDER OF FORRESTERS

Recently Chris Deadman Winston posted some interesting information in our Facebook family group. I had never heard of the Ancient Order of Forresters, so I googled it and found some interesting information. The post by Chris was on June 12 at 1:59 AM, and she shared it with Members of "The Dedmon Connection". Here are her comments, which I will use to introduce the article to our readers. I hope you enjoy it as much as I did.

--Leroy

A friend of mine bought this at a garage sale for the frame. My mother, Patricia Negley Deadman noticed the signature EB Deadman. My friend gave this to me for my birthday years ago. Thought you would all find it interesting. I've included several shots to help you read the tiny penmanship. I looked up E.B. Deadman and he popped right up as one of the founders of the foresters. Neat!!!! I find it extremely interesting. Share if you have any information about EB Deadman or The Ancient Order Of Foresters.

Thanks!!! --Chris Deadman Winston



The Ancient Order of Foresters began in 1834, but its origins lie in a much older society called the Royal Foresters formed in the 18th century. Meeting in Leeds ... Today they are known as Foresters Friendly Society. The founding principles of the Society were to provide financial and social benefits as well as support to members and their families in times of unemployment, sickness, death, disability and old age. The Society is now known as the Foresters Friendly Society and in July 1999 was incorporated as a public company. I found the following article while researching... I am not sure if E.B. and W.E. are one and the same as it would not be the first time initials were entered into the records incorrectly. Either way they were both of the Deadman family.



## SILVER SERVICE MEDAL

The proudly worn AOF silver Service medal, with its plain green ribbon, suspended jewel and inscription piece was introduced in 1927, at a sale price of 12s 6d (62.5p) including case. Bringing the new medal to members attention, the EC wrote 'It is intended for use in cases where the recipient is not entitled to a PDCR's or PCR's jewel, but whose interest and work for the Order has been of a sustained and exceptional character.'

One of the first recipients of such a medal was Bro W E Deadman, of the Reading High Court Reception Committee, whose jewel is illustrated here. Although emphasis was laid on the team work needed by the 28 member committee, at the end of the High Court, the specific role of certain individuals in making the week a success was singled out. Amongst these was Bro W E Deadman 'who did his best under conditions of great difficulty in connection with the lodging arrangements.' On the back of the medal is the inscription appreciating his services.



## A CHAT WITH ONE OF THE 'STAR' PERFORMERS OF THE SOCIETY CIRCUS

**DR. J.E. DEDMAN, WHO WITH MR. HILL FERGUSON  
AND MR. HARRY MILES ORGANIZED THE FIRST SOCIETY  
CIRCUS IN BIRMINGHAM THIRTEEN YEARS AGO, GIVES  
SOME "POINTERS" ABOUT HIS "MAGICAL ART"**

By Doll Dalrymple



### Who Will do "Magical Act" in "Society Circus"

A Society Circus, like any other Circus, is a grand three ringed affair under one tent, presenting all the latest stunts in athletics, dancing, Magic Art, and other attractions, which, while performed by amateurs, is so cleverly done that for the moment the audience forgets that the professionals is not predominant and that such talented people live right among us and do these things everyday.

In the Society Circus this year, a veteran in the business will again appear in the person of Dr. J. E. Dedman, who with Mr. Hill Ferguson and Mr. Harry Miles organized the first Society Circus that was ever given in Birmingham, 13 years ago.

Dr. Dedman took part in the first eight performances that were given, and then for a while dropped out with his clever "Magical Art," but this year he was so much in demand - people were so anxious for him to return to the scenes of his earlier triumphs that he couldn't say "No," and on next Monday and Tuesday at the Jefferson he will present in all its weird, queer, uncanny effect a "Magical Act," in the Society Circus, which rivals the best art of Kellar, Thurston, Zanzics, and other Magicians.

Dr. Dedman is considered extremely clever at this sort of thing, as he will be assisted in his "Act," by his son Mr. George Whitney Ridley, who is his pupil, and such a talented, clever one that he is without a peer for one of his age in the craft of which he is so fond.



Mr. Dedman will also be assisted by Mr. Ed Spencer, who is one of the best all around athletes in Birmingham. Mr. Spencer's past performances in the various Society Circuses are recalled with great pleasure, his acrobatic "stunts" being among the cleverest that have ever been seen here. The trio will be one of the features of the Society Circus and will no doubt arouse much enthusiasm with it's very unique and inimitable art.

Of course, when I was chatting with Mr. Dedman about his "Magical Art" I didn't quite expect him to inform me concerning the inmost workings and secrets of the art - that would be telling - but he very kindly gave me some "pointers" concerning the work which were not only instructive, but very entertaining.

"Magic," said Dr. Dedman, "and by magic I mean a combination of Science, electricity, optics, physics, chemistry, dexterity and hubboggery, is of two kinds of white magic, which is performed by natural means, and black magic, which dates back to the early ages. In Egypt long before the Pyramids were known to history, Magic was a reputed art. The magicians of Egypt, according to Biblical lore, contended against Aaron at the Court of Pharaoh, and before his servants, and it became a serpent. Then Pharaoh also called the Wise men and the sorcerers, now the Magicians of Egypt: they also did in like manner with their enchantments. For they cast down every man his rod and they became serpents, but Aaron's rod swallowed up their rods. The late Robert Heller, prestidigitateur, traveler in the Orient and skeptic, relates of seeing this feat performed in Cairo many times by Dervishes. The rods were really serpents, under strong hypnotic influence, and these serpents remained rigid until de-hypnotized by strange and weird incantation and mystic passes."

"And down through the ages this mysticism and necromancy has prevailed," I suggested, "even to the making of it a profession in modern times." "Magic is one of the oldest of all arts," said Dr. Dedman, "and some of the cleverest people in the world have followed it. In the British Museum there is an Egyptian Papyrus, giving account of a Magical Seance given by one Tchatcha-em-ankh, before King Khufu, B. C. 3766. The

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manuscript states concerning the magician that he knoweth how to bind one head which hath been cut off; he knoweth how to make a lion follow him as if led by a rope, and he knoweth the number of the stars of the house ( constellation ) of Thoth.

Anent this Henry Ridgley Evans remarks, The decapitation trick is thus no new thing, while the experiment performed with the lion is undoubtedly a hypnotic feat showing hypnotism to be one of the oldest arts as well." "And your decapitation act that you will perform in the Society Circus," I inquired, "what----" "You wouldn't want me to give away my secret before the show, would you?" asked the genial Doctor, smiling. "let me tell you more of the ancient history of magic. It is an art that was cultivated by the Egyptians, Chaldeans, Jews, Romans and Grecian priesthoods, being used as a dupe to the ignorant mind. Weeping and bleeding statues, temple doors that flew open with thunderous sound, apparently by supernatural means, and perpetual lamps that flamed forever in the tombs of holy men were some of the thaumaturgic feats of Pagan priests."

"Whatever prompted you to study the art?" I asked. "I am not convinced precisely whether it was curiosity or a desire to expose the fraudulent methods of such things. As a child I liked to dabble in weird, queer effects, and after I grew up I read much of the literature of the Middle Ages concerning creepy, mysterious accounts of ghosts, gnomes, goblins and such things, and I became very interested. Later I became a member of the "Society of American Magicians." This society guards zealously the secrets of legitimate magic as they did in the days of old, but exposes with much pleasure such measures as are illegitimate and tend to have an evil effect. In the centuries past shriveled old women were burned at the stake for witchcraft, while monks in their gloomy cells wrestled with Satan and the powers of darkness, and grimy, bewiskered alchemists toiled day and night over the glowing fires of their furnaces, seeking vainly for the talismanic philosopher's stone and the wondrous elixir of life."

"Which brings to mind that Prince of necromancers, Cagliostro," I observed interestedly. "With whom the black magic died," said Mr. Dedman. "Madame Blavatsky attempted to revive the black art in the nineteenth century, but since then it has practically become extinct."

"And who are the greatest of Modern Magicians in your estimation?" "To Harry Kellar has been given the sobriquet of The Dean of Modern Magic," and from his shoulders fell the mantel upon Howard Thurston." said Dr. Dedman. "We have had others--Downs , Zanzics, Mildred and Rouciere, but Kellar and Thurston are pre-eminent."

**The Birmingham age-herald. March 15, 1912**



THE COLUMBIA HERALD, FRIDAY, MAY 21, 1912

## BASEBALL SEASON OPENS IN COLUMBIA ON FRIDAY, JUNE 7

TWO GAMES PER WEEK FOR FIFTEEN WEEKS WILL BE PLAYED.

### OFFICIAL SCORERS ARE APPOINTED

President Dedman Will Name the Umpires at an Early Date—Riverside Park Will Be Put in First-Class Condition.

Tuesday afternoon Captains James Thomas, of the Century; W. H. Puryear, of the County Officials; C. W. Rambo, of the Odd Fellows, and Emmett Dugger, of the Elks, met in the office of the Phoenix National Bank and organized by the election of Mayor J. M. Dedman as president of the Columbia City Baseball League. These managers and the president were in a resolution constituted a board of directors, after many other matters were discussed the meeting was adjourned to meet Wednesday morning in the Bethel House.

Promptly at 10:30 the meeting was called to order by President Dedman and the matter of arranging a schedule was discussed, and the president was authorized to appoint a committee to arrange a schedule and submit it to a meeting to be called not later than Friday. H. E. Haynes and W. D. Hastings were appointed on this committee.

It was then decided to open the season on Friday, June 7, and the first game will be played between the Elks and Century clubs and then the following Tuesday the Odd Fellows and county officials will play. Further schedule will be printed in The Herald later.

President Dedman appointed W. P. Morgan, Jr., and W. D. Hastings as official scorers, but left the appointment of umpires to a future date. The schedule will call for two games each week for fifteen weeks.

C. W. Rambo, who is in charge of the old Riverside Park where the games will be played, stated this morning at the meeting that the grounds would be in first-class condition and that a grandstand with a seating capacity of 300 would be ready for the opening game.

The president was authorized to receive closed bids for the privileges of selling refreshments on the grounds and he is now ready to receive such bids.

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## ELIZABETH LATTIMORE DEDMOND

March 20, 1929 - September 20, 2018

CHERRYVILLE, N.C. - Elizabeth Lattimore Dedmond, 89, passed away Thursday September 20, 2018 in Cherryville.



Born March 20, 1929 in Lawndale, she was a daughter of the late William Worth Lattimore and Ruby Pearl Hamrick Lattimore. Lib grew up in Lawndale, N.C. She graduated from Piedmont High School in Lawndale in 1947. After high school she attended Gardner-Webb Junior College in Boiling Springs, N.C. where she met her future husband, Haley C. Dedmond Sr.

Lib worked at Lawndale Drug and then Piedmont School in the cafeteria. She retired after 22 years of service in the school cafeterias after being named manager at Cleveland Jr. High and Burns Jr. High.

Lib married Haley in 1948 in Lawndale, N.C. They were happily married for 67 years. Lib was a member of New Bethel Baptist Church in Lawndale where she faithfully served as Sunday School teacher, youth leader, WMU director, choir member and various other positions. She enjoyed sewing and making clothes for her children. She was always seeking ways to serve others. Her cooking skills were well known and appreciated in Upper Cleveland County. She and Haley were always among the first to visit the sick or elderly with a casserole or an Italian cream cake.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Haley C. Dedmond Sr.; son, William Donald Dedmond; two brothers, W.F. Lattimore and Ed Lattimore; and one sister, Pearl Lattimore Eubanks.

Lib is survived by her daughter, Jeane Dedmond Adams and husband Guy of Lawndale; her son, Hal Dedmond and wife Corine Guseman of Lawndale; daughter-in-law, LaDonna Dedmond of Lawndale; grandchildren, Lee Adams and wife Gail of Kernersville, Crystal Dedmond

of Shelby, Anna Osorio and husband Thiago of Lawndale, Seth Dedmond of Clover, S.C. and Rebecca Mosteller and husband Johnny of Clover, S.C.; step-grandchildren, Kasey Robinson and husband Josh and Leigh Ann Crawford and husband Cameron; 14 great-grandchildren; sister, Phyllis Powers of Cherryville and numerous nieces, nephews, cousins, friends and special caregivers, Darla Wybiral, Vanessa and Victoria Hampton.

A Celebration of Life Service will be held at New Bethel Baptist Church at 3 p.m. Sunday with Rev. Tracy Jessup and Dr. Tim Elmore officiating. The family will be greeting friends preceding the service at the church from 2 p.m. until 3 p.m. Sunday. At other times the family will gather at the home of the daughter, Jeane Dedmond Adams in Lawndale.

Burial will follow in New Bethel Baptist Church Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorial donations to be made to Catawba Regional Hospice, 3975 Robinson Rd., Newton, NC 28658.

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## STELLA MARGARET JOYCE DEADMAN CATTEAU

Wife of Richard (Dick) Catteau, mother of Tim, Heather, Art, Rob, Eric and Christopher. CATTEAU, Stella It is with profound sadness that we announce the peaceful passing of Stella Margaret Joyce (nee Deadman) in her 90th year, Sunday, December 25, 2011 in Guelph. Beloved wife of the late Richard (Dick) Catteau (1989). Loving mother of Tim (Fay) of King City, Art (Suzanne) of Ottawa, Heather (Bill), Rob, Eric (Nancy) and Chris (Petra) all of Guelph. Cherished grandmother of Ian, Ayron and Breanna. Predeceased by brother Horrie and sister Avie of England. Mum was born and raised in England and immigrated to Canada as a war bride. Friends will be received at the Wall-Custance Funeral Home & Chapel, 206 Norfolk St., Guelph, Wednesday (2-4 and 7-9 p.m.). Funeral service will be held at St. David and St. Patrick's Anglican Church, 520 Speedvale Ave. E., Guelph, on Thursday, December 29, 2011 at 11:00 a.m. Interment Woodlawn Memorial Park.

As expressions of sympathy, memorial contributions to St. David/St. Patrick's Church would be appreciated. A tree will be planted in memory of Stella Catteau in the Wall-Custance Memorial Forest, University of Guelph Arboretum. Dedication service, Sunday, September 16, 2012 at 2:30 p.m. **(Find a Grave Memorial 82457370)**







## NANNETTE DEDMAN

Walton - Nannette "Nan" Dedman, 70, passed away Monday, June 22, 2020. Nan was born on April 6, 1950, to the late Ladonna Robinson and Ralph Dedman. Nan was preceded in death by her nephew, Chris Banks. Feisty Sister to Cyndy (Danny) Kloeker, Lauren (Randy) Baumgardt, Rhonda (Sonny) Heringer, and Paul Robinson. Loving Aunt to Christina (Shawn) Shumway, Nickole (Ron) Ketterer, Austin (Stefania) Nagel, Tracy (Kevin) Stave, and Melissa (Chris)

Snowdy. She was excited to be Great Aunt to Elle, Adamo, Gus, Mac, Colin and Stella. Nan was a baptized believer, and a longtime member of Florence Christian Church. She enjoyed playing bingo and going to eat at Oriental Wok. She loved animals, especially owls and cats. She was previously a proud employee of AT&T and the Boone County High School library. Nan was loved and will be greatly missed. There will be a private memorial for family, and Nan will be interred at Highland Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to The Point ARC.

## JAMES L. MARCUM

Mr. James L. Marcum, age 89, passed away at Crestview Healthcare and Rehab, Thursday, November 13, 2008. He was preceded in death by his parents: Edward Marcum and Carrie Archer Marcum; his wife: Minnie E. Dedmon Marcum; a brother: Elmer Marcum; and a sister: Estelle Kirkpatrick. Funeral services will be conducted 2:00 PM, Saturday, November 15, 2008 at the Brownsville Memorial Gardens Mausoleum Chapel with Rev. Mark Conway officiating. Entombment will follow in Brownsville Memorial Gardens Mausoleum

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## JOHN GEDDES DEADMAN

**April 1, 1929 - July 28, 2020**



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## WILLIAM D. DEDMOND

William Donald "Don" Dedmond, 59, passed away at his home on Wednesday, September 28, 2016 in Lawndale. He was born on March 12, 1957 in Shelby to Haley and Elizabeth Dedmond, the youngest of three children.

After graduation from Burns High School, he continued his education pursuing Electrical Contracting. Don went on to form his own electrical contracting business, Dedmond Electric, in Lawndale in 1984. Don's legacy will live on through his business and his family. He enjoyed camping with friends and fishing. His two most favorite places were Lake James and Oak Island, NC.

Don was preceded in death by his father, Haley C. Dedmond, Sr.

Visitation will be 11:00 AM to 12:00 PM, Saturday at New Bethel Baptist Church. At other times the family will be at the home.

A Celebration of Life Service will be 12:00 PM, Saturday at New Bethel Baptist Church with Dr. Tim Elmore officiating.

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## HOUSTON DEDMAN

Houston Dedman, age 88 of Lebanon passed away on Tuesday, Nov. 22, 2016, at Quality Care. The funeral service will be at 1 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 26, 2016, at Ligon & Bobo Funeral Home with Brother



Rick Burns officiating. Interment will follow at Wilson County Memorial Gardens. Visitation will be Friday 2 to 8 p.m. and Saturday after 11 a.m. at Ligon & Bobo. Grandsons will serve as pallbearers.

Born Nov. 15, 1928, in Wilson County, he is the son of the late Sidney Roy and Lula Mae Andrews Dedman Sr. He was a lifelong farmer and a member of Cedar Creek Baptist Church. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by a son, Ronald Houston Dedman; brother, Roy Dedman Jr.; and three sisters, Estelle Chaffin, Kathleen Holland, and Ruby Brewington.

He is survived by his wife of sixty six years, Kathyne Bingham Dedman; four children, Jerry (Carol) Dedman, Sandra Kay (Mike) Montgomery, Ricky (Dewanda) Dedman, and Lisa Mae Lokey; brother, Wayne (Ann) Dedman; and four sisters, Frances Bradshaw, Beatrice Hallums, Christine Adams, and Delores (James) Binion; and thirteen grandchildren, Brian Dedman, Kim (Kerry) Weiser, Ronda (Derrick) Witley, Brad Dedman, Stephen (Liz) Dedman, Jeff Dedman, Jessica (Brandon) Smith, Casey (Zach) Rowe, Kyle (Stefanie) Dedman, Patrick Dedman, Kristen Dedman, Brandon (Kara) Lokey, and Brooke (Jake) Weldy; 16 great gran grandchildren.

**Ligon & Bobo Funeral Home,  
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## JAMES ALLEN DEDMON



James Allen Dedmon, 74, of Terrell, TX passed away on December 20, 2019 in Dallas. James was born on November 6, 1945 to J.B. and Olee Dedmon in Houston, TX. Jim grew up in Oak Cliff and moved to Terrell in 1984. He worked for Pollock Paper, Mojonier Beverage and Universal Beverage. Jim met Holly Dean in 1988, spending 30 wonderful years together. Jim spent many years working cows, enjoyed classic cars, going country western dancing, playing guitar and singing base, and was an avid hunter. He was a beloved husband, father, grandfather and brother. His parents preceded him in death. Those left to cherish his memory are wife, daughter: Angela Slawinski and husband Clay of Rowlett, TX; step-children: Molly Leiker and husband Jason of Colleyville, TX, Matt McSpadden of Dallas, TX and Andrew McSpadden of Kaufman, TX; brothers: Donald Wayne Dedmon and Mary Hamilton of Dallas, TX and Scotty Myrick and wife Karen of Seagoville, TX; sister Barbara Lee Robertson and husband Robbie of Panama; grandchildren: Nicholas McSpadden, Anna Slawinski, Dalton Slawinski, Cole Leiker, Drew Leiker and Kyle Leiker; numerous nieces, nephews, extended family and friends who will miss him dearly.

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## MICHAEL DEDMAN



Michael Wayne Dedman, 56, of Louisville, went to be with the Lord on Thursday, April 9, 2020. Michael enjoyed playing golf, working in his yard, and loved spending time with his grandchildren and dogs. He worked for numerous companies in Louisville as Director 3PL Operations and Facilities of Pharmaceuticals, where he touched many lives. Michael was a proud alumnus of the University of Louisville. He is preceded in death by his parents, Ruel Odell and Estelle Dedman.

Left to cherish Michael's memory is his wife of 27 years, Donna Dedman; sons, Timmy Brandenburg, Jr. (Carmen) and Tyler Brandenburg; grandchildren, Breleigh and Timmy Brandenburg; brothers, Paul and Jerry Dedman and Gene and Jimmy Sult; brothers-in-law, James Paul (Ellen) and William Paul (Lisa); and numerous nieces and nephews.

Due to COVID-19, the family will have a celebration of life at a later date. Ratterman & Sons Funeral Home, 10600 Taylorsville Road is entrusted with the arrangements.

## ALFREDA S. "FRITZI" DEADMON

EVANS, Ga. - Mrs. Alfreda S. "Fritzi" Deadmon entered into rest on Saturday July 12, 2008 at Heartland Hospice. She is survived by son and daughter-in-law William (Bill) and Diane S. Hartzman; two grandchildren Julie Wahman and Jennifer Herbert-Rivera; and six great grandchildren.

**The Augusta Chronicle-July 13, 2008**



James M. Dedman

## James Dedman Dies; Rites Set

James Maxwell Dedman, 64, of 3808 Cherry Dr., Graham member for the Decatur Tribune is former Decatur Herald and Review reporter and former president of Walbridge-Dedman Co., died 11:20 p.m. Thursday in Decatur Memorial Hospital.

Memorial services will be 2 p.m. Sunday at the Peoples Church of God. The family will receive friends after the services in the church. Dwyer & Wilcox Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Mr. Dedman was born in Decatur, a son of James Roy and Genevieve Hordick Dedman.

He was associated with Walbridge-Dedman Co. for 35 years, selling office furniture, office supplies and printing.

He retired as president of Walbridge-Dedman in 1989.

Mr. Dedman wrote business news for the Herald and Review after his retirement.

He joined the staff of the Decatur Tribune in 1975.

He was a member of Peoples Church of God, was a member of Lions Club, South Side Country Club and Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity.

He married Wilma Carlson in East St. Louis.

Surviving are his wife, son, James Carlson Dedman of Pearman City; daughters, Amy Josephine and Diana Jane Dedman, both at home; and brother, W. Wayne Dedman of Ennisport, N.Y.

Memorials: James M. Dedman Memorial Fund at Peoples Church of God.