

The Family of Forest C. and Arabelle Kirby Spurlin

Census Enumerators listed names and dates as they understood the registrant who oft times had little or no education which led to numerous errors in names, dates and ages. I have tried to copy the census as recorded, where errors occur, I apologize. Death certificates are not available in Spartanburg for years before 1917 and Obituaries have not been put on microfilm for the years 1924 through 1929.



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Forest Spurlin was born in North Carolina, wife and children were born in South Carolina.

The 1940 Spartanburg/Glendale Census listed the household as;

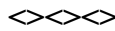
Forest Spurlin 52, husband			Wife; Annie Bell 46	
Children; James 28	Edna 18	Cornelia 16	Buela 14	
Forest Jr. 12	Harold 10	Doris Jean 8		

No other records found.

Obituary records show that;

Forest C. Spurlin died at the age of 77 in October, 1963.

Arabelle Kirby Spurlin died at the age of 92 in June, 1975.



The Family of Myrtle Mae Spurlin Gilmer, daughter of Forest C. Sr. and Arabelle K. Spurlin;

Myrtle Mae Spurlin married Robert L. Gilmer.

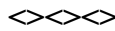
The 1940 Spartanburg/Glendale Census listed the household as;

Robert L. Gilmer 28, husband/cotton mill		Wife; Myrtle 24, spinner
Children; Sylvia 5	Marchelon 4	Tommie 3

Obituary records show that;

Robert L. Gilmer died at the age of 78 in September, 1988.

Myrtle Mae Spurlin Gilmer died at the age of 92 in July, 2008.



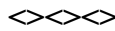
No census records were found on any of the following;

Obituary records show that;

Edna V. Spurlin married Zelmer Banks

Edna V. Spurlin Banks died at the age of 82 in March, 2004.

No record of Zelmer Banks status was found.



Cornelia Belle Spurlin married Paul M. Rogers.

Paul M. Rogers died at the age of 67 in January, 1987.

Cornelia Belle Spurlin Rogers died at the age of 75 in November, 1999.



Forest Spurlin Jr. died at the age of 49 in September, 1977.

No mention of spouse, if married.



Harold Lee Spurlin died at the age of 65 in April, 1997.

No mention of spouse, if married.



No records were found on the status of James or Beula (Beulah) Spurlin.



Federal Census and *Spartanburg Herald Journal Obituaries* courtesy of the Spartanburg County Library;

Writer's comments; The Spurlin family was friendly, hardworking and community minded. Most were employees of [Glendale Mills](#).

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