## THE FAMILY OF GEORGE BRYSON McCOMBS and HIS DESCENDANTS. **By Clarence Crocker**



Census records indicate that George Bryson McCombs was born in the Hurricane Shoals area of Spartanburg County, S. C. on December 11, 1878. He was the son of George W. and Maggie McCombs, longtime residents of Glendale, S. C. He first married Miss Ella Bryant, born in December 1879, the daughter of James and Mary A. Bryant of the Congaree area of Lexington County, S. C.

Asterisks indicate more information follows.

The 1900 Lexington/Congaree, S. C. Census showed they had been married 3 years and were the parents of 2 children, 1 living. They were living with Ella's parents. Bryson was a weaver in the cotton mill.

Wife; Ella 20

The household was listed as; George B. McCombs 21 Daughter - Madeline,

The 1910 Lexington/Congaree S. C. Census listed the household as;

Ella McCombs, 25, head of household, weaver, married 5 years.

Children;

\*Madeline 10 Ernest 2

Fulton McCombs 5, their son was living with his grandparents, Geo. W. and Maggie McCombs in Glendale, S. C.

The 1920 Forsyth/Middle Fork, N. C. Census showed they were at Inverness Mills, N. C.

The household was listed as;

George B. 40, Wife; Ella 35

Children; \*Fulton 15 \*Ernest 12 \*Murris 4yrs,1 mo.

The 1930 Evansville/Vanderburgh, Indiana Census showed that Bryson was remarried to a lady named Mattie from Louisiana. Her parents were from Louisiana.

The household was listed as;

George McCombs 51, textile Wife; Mattie 32

Children; \* Brice Jr. 5 \*George A. 3

The WW 1 draft registration card for George Bryson McCombs, #1877593, showed his birth as 11 December 1878, Fairfield, S. C, Native American Indian. It shows him in "C" Classification, "Ruptured".

George Bryson "Brice" McCombs died December 26, 1959 in McComb Pike, Mississippi Ella Fannie Bryant McCombs died February 6, 1951 in Lexington, S. C.



Eva Madeline McCombs, daughter of George Bryson and Ella McCombs Born January 20, 1900 in Lexington, South Carolina

In the last record we have of Madeline alive, she is listed as Mrs. Madeline Kelliher and was living in Sacramento, Calif. No information regarding her family.

<u>Family obituaries indicate that Madeline Kelliher died</u> somewhere between 1968 and 1988.

#### The Family of Fulton Brice McCombs son of Bryson and Ella McCombs

Born January 26, 1905 in South Carolina, Fulton Brice McCombs married Lola Lackey and they became the parents of at least 6 children; sons, Giles, Ronald and Donald McCombs, daughters, Betty Jean, Geralene and Joan.

Excerpts from his obituary published November 12, 1968. (Columbia) "Fulton Brice McCombs, 63, of 3009 River Dr., Columbia, died Tuesday at his home. He was a retired textile weaver. Surviving are his widow, Mrs. Lola Lackey McCombs; three daughters, Mrs. James Wilson and Mrs. Kenneth Turner, both of Columbia and Mrs. R. J. Tate of Tamps, Fla.; three sons, Giles, Ronald and Donald McCombs, all of Columbia; two brothers, Murris McCombs Andrea of Columbia, Ill. and Ernest McCombs of New York; one sister, Mrs. Madeline Kelliher of Sacramento, Calif."

<u>Donald Eddie McCombs died</u> September 15, 2011 in Rock Hill, S. C. He was survived by his longtime companion, Shirley Helms; two sisters, Betty Jean Turner and Geralene M. Wilson; numerous nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his twin brother, Roland F. McCombs; brother, Giles McCombs; one sister, Joan Tate.

Ernest McCombs son of Bryson and Ella McCombs
Born December 19, 1907 in South Carolina

Died March 10, 1997 in Saint Louis, Saint Louis City, Missouri

#### The Family of Murris McCombs Andrea son of Bryson and Ella McCombs



He married Marjorie Eileen Jackson March 21, 1942 and they became the parents of 3 children.

\*Jacquelyn Kay Andrea, born 1943 in Carlinville, Macoupin, Ill. Judith Lynn Andrea, born 1947 in Lasalle, Ill. Leonardo Allen Andrea, born 1949 in Lovell, Big Horn, Wyoming Excerpts from the obituary of Murris Andrea; "Murris (Jack) Andrea passed away Wednesday, March 16, 1988 at John Cochran Hospital in St. Louis, Mo. He was born James Murris McCombs on November 13, 1915 in Lockhart, S. C. He was adopted at the age of 14 by Leonardo Andrea of Columbia, S. C.. On March 21, 1942 he married Marjorie Eileen Jackson of Greenfield and he is survived by the children of that marriage, Jacquelyn Kay Seigal of St. Louis, Judith Lynn Pike of Carbondale, Ill. and Allen Andrea of Montrose, Colo. He was the proud grandfather of Brian Bachelier, David Seigal, Jamie Lynn Goggin, Cody Jack Pike, Douglas, Roma, Natalie and Crystal Andrea. He is also survived by his brother, Ernest McCombs of St. Louis. He was preceded in death by his parents, his wife Marjorie, his brother Fulton of Columbia, S.C. and his sister Madeline Kelliher of Sacramento, Calf.

After his return from overseas at the end of WW2, Mr. Andrea worked for many years for Chicago Bridge and Iron Construction Company. He also worked at McDonnell Douglas and was very proud of his involvement with the Gemini Spacecraft Program. After retirement, he worked for the Clarion in Columbia, Ill. and was active in the VFW. He was Junior Vice Commander of Chief Pontiac VFW Post 1699 at the time of his death.

According to his wishes, his body was cremated and the ashes interred near his wife in the family plot at Greenfield."

Marjorie Eileen Jackson, born May 3, 1923 in Greenfield, Il.

Marjorie Eileen Jackson Andrea died August 1987, Belleville, Il.

### <u>The Family of Jacquelyn Kay Andrea Bachelier Seigal, daughter of Murris and Marjorie</u> Andrea



Jacquelyn was born 1943 in Carlinville, Macoupin, Ill. She first married Thomas Anthony Bachelier born 1940 in Prairie du Rocher, Randolph, Ill.

They became the parents of one son;

\*Brian Anthony Bachelier, born 1971 in Belleville, Ill.

Jacquelyn married Gary Seigal, born 1944 from St. Louis, Mo, They became the parents of one son; David Joseph Seigal, born 1982, Deaconess Hosp. St Louis Co, Mo.

# The Family of Brian Anthony Bachelier, son of Thomas A. and Jacquelyn Andrea Bachelier



Brian married Angela Lynn Roby, born 1976 and they became the parents of three children:

Mayson Eileen Bachelier, born 2007 in St Louis, St Louis, Mo Blake Anthony Bachelier, born 2009 in St Louis, St Louis, Mo. Weston Charles Bachelier, born 2012 in St Louis, St Louis, Mo.

The Family of Brice McCombs Jr. son of Bryson and Martha Sills McCombs
Brice Jr. was born January 28, 1925 in the state of Louisiana and married Donnis
(unknown) and they became the parents of at least 3 children;
Marguerite Brice Stephen Ronald Lewis McCombs.

Excerpts from his obituary published in the Clarion, Miss. ledger March 14, 2003; "Brice McCombs, 77, died of heart failure Tuesday May 12, 2003, at Central Mississippi Medical Center. Mr. McCombs was a WW2 Army Veteran serving our country in the South Pacific and had received the Purple Heart Award. He was a resident of Jackson for the last 30 years and a former resident of Magnolia. He owned and operated Brice McCombs Building Contractors.

He was a former member of the Toxie Stapleton Post of the VFW and was of the Nazarene Faith. Survivors are; his wife, Darree Moore McCombs (Brice had divorced and

remarried); a son, Brice Stephen McCombs of Waveland; a daughter, Marguerite Westbrook of Flora, four step children and three grandchildren. He was preceded in death by one son, Ronald Lewis McCombs."

George Albert McCombs, son of Bryson and Mattie McCombs
Born March 31, 1927 in Alabama
George Albert McCombs died April 24, 1993 in Brandon, Rankin, Miss.
No census records found.

George Bryson McCombs was this writer's Uncle.

My sincere appreciation to my long lost cousin, Jacquelyn (Jackie) Seigal of St. Louis, Mo. for supplying me with 95% of the material used to put the family history of Bryson McCombs together. After picking up my name from the Glendale web site, she gave me a phone call and we came to know one another for the first time in our lives. That's what my contributions to the web site is all about, connecting long lost family and friends.

More history on the McCombs families forthcoming.

Clarence E. Crocker, August 2012