

DANCING RABBIT GENEALOGICAL & HISTORICAL SOCIETY

April 2014

Next Meeting

Wednesday, April 9, 2014

1:00 PM

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President's Message

As this year moves along, I would like to encourage all members to make attending our monthly meeting a priority. When we have special speakers for our meetings we need to support them by attending the meetings. We have an exciting group of speakers and some exciting topics for the rest of the year.

I have some good news for our society. In our March meeting the group approved getting a web-site for the society. This will be a good tool to promote the society. The web-site should be up and running by next month's meeting.

This past Saturday I decided to visit my great-great-grandmother's grave. This was my first time to visit this grave. It is located in what was called the Rabbit College Cemetery, now called the Parker Cemetery. I can remember of only one time that my mother carried my grandmother to visit this grave. My great-great-grandmother died in 1906 and was buried there while they were living in the Tuscola community. As I found her grave something caught my eye. Just to the right of the marker there was a single flower with a single bloom. This made me think that even though all of her children are gone and there are no more of them to visit her grave, God planted that single flower to watch over her. So as you search for your ancestors look for those little jewels that are waiting for you to find.

As I close, I would like to share a poem that I discovered while looking for my grandfather's obituary. This poem was written by my aunt and published in the Neshoba County Democrat Newspaper, December 5, 1945, as part of his obituary.

Still Gathering Flowers

It happened the morning of November 12, 1945, in Vicksburg, MS. My beautiful flower was plucked and carried away to be placed in our Master's bouquet. A beautiful flower dearly loved and mournfully missed by the ones in the group where it once stood. A flower so tall and beautiful, towering above the rest, the one the others all looked to for help here in this earthly nest. Why this flower from all the others was chosen we cannot fully understand, but God had a purpose for it we know, maybe to save a lost flower's soul. This flower, so tall and fair, was carried away on that beautiful day to dwell forever in our Master's bouquet. And we too will be plucked and carried away to join him in our Master's bouquet.

Our next scheduled meeting will be April 9, 2014. We are looking forward to having Ann Breedlove (Genealogist of the Attala County Library) present our program. Make a special effort to attend and bring a guest. See you there!

Robert Evans

