### In the Beginning



Samuel Orville & Myrtle Hinton Henley 1910's

Claude C Henley 1897 - 1978 Maymie Henley Sims 1899 - 1986 Jesse Frank Henley 1902 - 1978 ~ \* ~

Aubrey Eliza Henley Korns 1908 - 1977 Emma Guinn Henley Kane 1910 - 1983 Aanah Henley Whiting 1912 - 1972 Samuel Orville Henley 1914 - 2002 Leslie Henley 1915 - 1974 Nell Verna Henley 1917 — 1956 Edna Geneva Henley Urbanek 1920 - 1995 Mary Jane Henley Walters 1923 -

### home Town Decherd. Tennessee

Taken from the 1895 booklet



Main Street Decherd in early 1900's

#### HOME SEEKERS INVESTIGATE DECHERD

(A small compact booklet was prepared by H. R. Moore of Huntland and Dr. S. D. Thach of Decherd in 1895 and was printed by Gospel Advocate Pub. Co. of Nashville entitled, "Home-Seekers Investigate Decherd And Her Surroundings (Franklin County, Southern Tennessee) And Her Soil, Climate, Water, Health, Coal, Timber, Scenery, Railroads, Superior School, Churches and Her Cheap Land."

DECHERD is situated near the center of Franklin County, in the southern part of Middle Tennessee, sixteen miles from the north boundary of the State of Alabama, on the main lines of the Nashville, Chattanooga, and St. Louis Railway, eighty-two miles from Nashville, and sixty-nine miles from Chattanooga, and at the junction of the branch roads leading to Huntsville, Guntersville, and Gadsden, AL., a distance of one hundred and twenty-one miles, and to Fayetteville, Lewisburg, and Columbia TN., a distance of eighty-five miles.

Six commodious passenger trains on the main line and four on the connecting branches call at Decherd each day. These trains, under efficient management of the Nashville, Chattanooga, and St. Louis Railway system, come and go with such promptness and regularity as to accurately indicate standard time to all concerned. Long through and local freights come and go every few hours.

Decherd and the surrounding county enjoy means of transportation of a most reliable character. Indeed, no town outside of great railroad centers has better facilities than Decherd.

This favored little town had never been afflicted with a boom, but has from the humblest beginning maintained a steady, healthy growth up to the present time. The financial troubles that have hovered over our entire country like birds of ill omen have not materially impeded the steady growth of Decherd.

The population of Decherd is about one thousand, all told. We have one good hotel near the depot, and many excellent boarding houses in Terrill Addition that are extensively patronized by students from many states who attend Terrill College. Besides, in this Addition are many nice residences, occupied by good families for the special purpose of sending their children to school. Most of the business men, many other, own and occupy residences in Col. Sanford's Addition, which is well laid off; and each Addition has many desirable vacant lots for sale at reasonable prices.

We have one bank, one livery and sale stable, two furniture stores, one hardware store, five dry goods and general supply stores, two meat shops, two blacksmith, wagon and wood shops, one tin shop, two shoe shops, one jeweler, two barbers, one milliner, two dentists, two physicians, several carpenters, bricklayers, and contractors, and last, but not least, <u>Decherd has no saloon</u>, and, with a fixedness of purpose that knows no compromise, she has deliberately determined to have no saloons. A large majority of her citizens believe and contend that no good results from saloons; but on the contrary, they believe and contend that saloons and their influences are hurtful, contaminating, and iniquitous in the extreme.

In this connection we respectfully ask, you courteous reader, to pause while we give distinct emphasis to the fact that a majority of the people of Decherd have no welcome, no sympathy, no land, no schools, and no business for those who want a saloons, and those who enjoy their shameful, degrading, and ruinous influences.



1920's



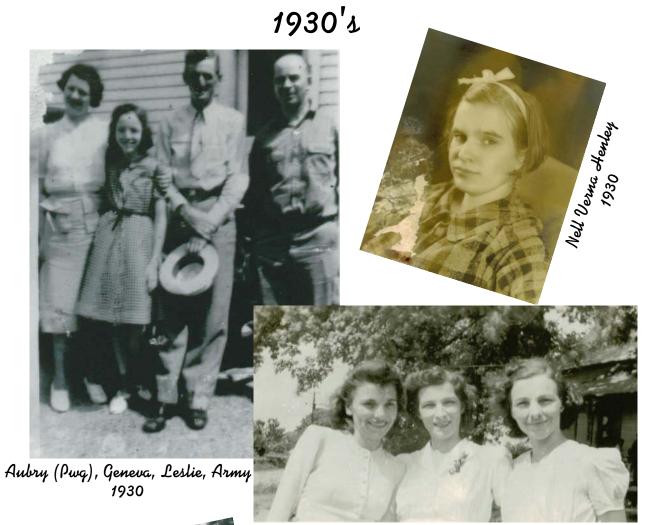




Aubrey (Peq), Myrtle & Samuel, Claude W. Mary Jane 1927



Aubrey (Peg), Myrtle & Leslie 1929





Mary Jane, Fanah & Emma Guinn



Emma Guinn



Mary Jane

## 1940's



Dick & Aanah Whiting with Leslie Henley



Janah



Mary Jane



Emma Guinn



Wedding Day Mary Jane



Lee & Mary Jane Honeymoon in Clearwater, Plorida



Fanah & Emma Guinn



Joe Urbanek

# 1950's



Army, Aubrey (Peg), Janah, Dick, Myrtle, Max, Cap & Leslie October 1956



Emma Guinn, Aubrey (Peq) & Fanah 1955



Geneva, Myrtle, Leslie & Emma Guinn



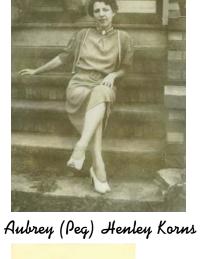




Larry, Melissa, Nick 1953



Samuel O. Henley S.O. Uncle Cap





Myrtle Henley 1982 Age 100

## 1960 ~ 2000





Kenny, Melissa, Allie & Amanda Bell 1979









Amanda, Taylor, Penny, Mary Jane, Max, Kenny, Janie Larry, Troy, Allie, Bobby, Linda, Mike, Becky, Les, Pam, Nick, Hannah, Melissa, Jackie 2003

## October 2006



Larry, Mary Jane, Laurie & Brenda



Brenda & Mary Jane



J. J. Karolak & Taylor Walters



Brenda, Becky, Linda & Mary Jane





Allie & Becky



Jason Westbrooks, Loni & Becky p



Bobby & Becky



Jason Walters



Becky, Melissa, Brenda, Arlene, Janie & Jason Westbrooks



Mary Jane's Kitchen





Larry & Janie



Laurie & Linda You can dress um up but you can't take um anywhere!



Laurie, Harry, Bobby & Allie



Penny, Misti, Troy & Brian



Larry, Mary Jane & Misti



Dalton & Taylor



Allie & Jason





Mike & Linda Martinez



Becky, Janie, Linda & Laurie



Bobbie, Mary Jane, Joyce & Christina



Larry Lee Walters



Tanner, Taylor & Jacob McGeshick



Christina Duncan, Mary Jane, & Bobbie Henley Van Hooser





Aanah Sargent, Christina Duncan, Joyce Henley, Bobbie Van Hooser, Jimmi Bell & Mary Jane



Claude Henley & Larry Walters



Mike Martinez



Arlene Kane, Harry Parham, Dick Kane, Laurie Parham & Nick Walters



Joyce Henley & Nick Walters



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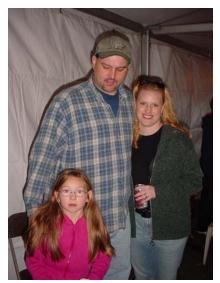




Pam Walters & Nick Walters, Jason Walters & Misti Smith



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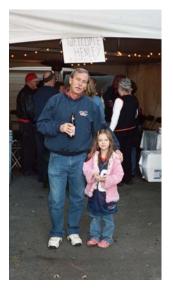


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Brian, Dalton, Hannah, Taylor, Jake & Tanner





Nick & Tanner









Allie, JJ, Misti, Dalton, Harry & Mike



J.J. & Taylor



Brenda, Hannah, Jacob & Amanda



Jason Westbrooks Our Chef



Mike & Bobby







Allie Lee Walters



Becky & Linda



Taylor, Loni, Melissa & Mary Jane

# Reunions of the Past



Champ, Jimmy, Sam, Myrtle, Les, Dean, Maymie & Aubrey (Peg) 1920's



Sam, Geneva, Aanah, (Sue & Guinn), Emma Guinn, Aannie, Myrtle, Janie, Mary Jane, Claude C, Sam & Claude W 1938

#### Family of Emma Guinn Henley Kane

Dick & Arlene Kane Box 156 Thompson, OH 44086 440-669-2053

Laurie & Harry Parham 417 Tarrson Blvd. The Villages, FL 32159 440-213-8032

### Family of Edna Geneva Henley Urbanek

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Linda & Mike Martinez PO Box 330 Surfside, CA 90743 562-592-2852

Becky & Bob Cornman 164 Burns Road Elyria, OH 44035 440-365-3790

### Family of Leslie Henley

Brenda Henley 138 S. Main Oberlin, OH 44074

### Family of Samuel Orville Henley (SO)

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Leslie & Suzanne Henley (not in attendance) 7884 Rockwind Court Las Vegas, NV 89117 702-361-1120

### Family of Claude C Henley

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Claude W & Joyce Henley 8965 Old Alto Rd Decherd, TN 37324 931-967-5929

Joy Henley McKee (not in attendance) 1446 Arrowhead Place Murfreesboro, TN 37129 615-890-0963

Samuel Henley (not in attendance) PO Box 306 Decherd, TN 37324 931-967-3224

Fayna Henley Sargent 811 By-Way Dr Fayetteville, TN 37334 931-433-2053

Christina Henley Duncan 507 Gum Creek Rd Decherd, TN 37324 931-967-3431

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Larry & Jackie Walters 2128 E Glenalden Dr Germantown, TN 38139 901-759-5906

Troy & Penny Walters 104 Greenwood Circle Harvest, AL 35749 256-837-8429

Tracy & Alex Newton (not in attendance) 87 Shoals Paradise Dr Florence, AL 35634 256-760-9212

Loni Lee Walters 213 Wauford Dr Nashville, TN 37211 615-834-9002 Nick & Pam Walters 176 Old Quick Rd Fayetteville, TN 37334 931-438-0025

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Jason Walters 1823 Goose Hollow Rd Auburn, AL 36830 334-319-2107 Melissa & Kenny Bell 9760 Bud Qurriel Bon Aqua, TN 37025 931-670-4761

Amanda & Brian McGeshick 149 W Regent Dr Clarksville, TN 37043 931-358-3834

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