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Nathan Carlyle and Rose Ella (Dawkins) Humphrey
of Rockingham, N.C. 1965, Golden Wedding Anniversary

Nathan Carlyle Humphrey was born May 1, 1895 in Claxton, Georgia and died December 8, 1985 in Richmond County, NC. He married Rose Dawkins August 31, 1915 in Bennettsville, SC. She was born February 17, 1899 in Roberdel, Richmond Co, NC and died April 13 1978 in Pinehurst, N. C.

Nathan, 1939



Rose Ella 1930s



Rose Ella Dawkins was the daughter of William and Ella Dawkins of East Rockingham, one of ten children. Her siblings were Abbie, Clifton, Percy, Samuel W, John R, Vernon, , Bella, William, and Bessie.



Nathan was the second son of Hector B and Della Ann (Graves) Humphrey. His seven siblings were Charlie, Eulah, William Walter, Annie Belle, Dan J, Alma Ruth and Ernest Humphrey. The Humphrey family's origins were in Robeson and Bladen Counties, N C. Sometime before Nathan's birth, H B and Della Humphrey went to Georgia. They may have visited with the brothers of H B Humphrey, John and Edwin who lived in Savannah. According to his World War One draft registration, Nathan was born in Claxton, Ga. Later the family was far west of there when some of the other children were born. By 1904 they had returned to Bladen County. They lived in Lumberton when the youngest, Ernest was born in 1909 and the 1910 census finds Nathan employed as a delivery person in a meat market.

The Humphreys lived Richmond County where Hector B Humphrey practiced optometry, he was also a watch repairman and a lay Baptist preacher. While they lived in Rockingham, Nathan met Rose Dawkins and this new family stayed in Rockingham and reared their family. Nathan had assisted his father in operating his jewelry/watch repair business while his father went away to study optometry.

After marriage, the couple lived in East Rockingham and Nathan worked as a yarn carrier making synthetic cloth. He continued living here the rest of his life. He and Rose are buried in Eastside Cemetery in Richmond County. They lived at 34 Bullard St., Rockingham, N. kC.

The children of this union:

Herman Odell Humphrey was born August 28 1917 in Richmond County. Herman served in World War Two. He married Doris Lamont June 28 1958. He and Doris have two sons, Jeffrey Bruce born February 8, 1949 and Jonathan Lee born March 1964. They have Sara Emilie born to Doris and Sam Smith from an earlier marriage. Emilie was born 15 Sept 1955.



Ella Mae Humphrey was born Febf 25 1919. She married Cary Houston Birgman

November 24, 1944 in Chesterfield, SC. He was born August 28, 1926 in Richmond, NC. Cary died in West Onslow Beach, NC on December 6, 1984. Their children are Rodney Houston Brigman born February 8, 1949 and a daughter Ellen Dale Brigman who was born March 24 1950.



Ella Mae Humphrey

Lois Idell was born September 13, 1921 and died August 8 1977 in Rockingham, NC. Lois was never married.



Lois Humphrey

Glenn D Humphrey was born March 17 1927 and died July 8 1928 in Rockingham, NC.



Bessie Louise Humphrey was born October 6, 1928. Louise is a registered nurse who trained at Mercy Hospital in Charlotte, NC. There she met Gerald Hutchinson, whom she married in Rockingham 18 June 1950. Gerald served in World War Two and worked in Real Estate and Appraising until his untimely death in September 1994. Their children are Linda Louise born in Charlotte 3 November 1953, Elizabeth Ann born 1 January 1956 and Gerald Archer, Jr born 28 November 1957.

Margaret Juanita Humphrey was born August 12, 1943 in Rockingham, NC. She married Roland Ralph West June 6 1954 in East Rockingham Methodist Church. Their children are Ralph Stanton West born May 28 1955, Sharon Juanita West born November 14 1957, and Gary Dean West born June 17 1961. The Wests have lived in Ocala, Florida for many years. Their children were born there and most of them still live nearby.



Carlene Humphrey was born January 6 1940 in Rockingham, NC. She married Robert R Tucker. Their children are Denise and Lisa Tucker.



Gary Mitchell Humphrey was born 29 Sept 1941. Gary served in the US Air Force. He married Anna Kiss May 3 1963. Their son, Mitchell Glenn was born 24 March 1965.

