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Fairfield County Genealogy Society Research Library Research Request Cover Sheet

Member: ___ Yes (priority), No

Position in-line: ___, ___, ___, ___

Surname(s): Brown

Target: ___/___/___

Started: ___/___/___

Ready to File

Completed: 8/1/18

Start research using Request, Family Group & Pedigree Sheets
Check off each item as research is completed

• Main Room – Northwest Corner (standing in entrance door)

BookCat (Online Card Catalog)

- Key in surname being researched
 - FB = Family Books
 - FF = Family Files
 - VF = Vertical Files
 - VF Church = Vertical Files labeled Churches
 - VF Fairfield = Vertical Files labeled Fairfield
 - VF Plats = Vertical Files labeled Plats
 - VF Wills = Vertical Files labeled Wills

Key
BookCat Researcher List

• Main Room – Southwest Corner

Computer with Large TV Screen

- Check ICON labeled Library (Fairfield County Research Room)
 - African American Folder
 - Books Folder
 - CDs Folder
 - Church Cemeteries Folder
 - Family Books Section Folder
 - Family Researched Files Folder (also check Master List Spreadsheet)
 - Funeral Homes Folder
 - Maps, Map Information Folders
 - Obits Folder
 - Plats Folder
 - Wills Folder
- Check Online Research Sources Folder
 - Other web resources available, like USC Libraries, etc.

• Main Room – North Side, Northeast Corner

- Local Church History & Denominational Church History
- Deeds
- Wills
- Equity Court
- Cemeteries
- Birth Scrapbook
- Marriage Notices & Scrapbook
- Death Notices & Scrapbook

Genealogy Resource Library

From: Genealogy Resource Library [fairfieldgenealogy@truvista.net]
Sent: Wednesday, August 01, 2018 11:40 AM
To: 'Kemp, Valerie N'
Subject: FW: Request Results
Attachments: Paid-Researcher-List.pdf

Hello Valerie,

We have tried to find this requested information with no success.
I have attached a paid-researcher list that may be helpful to you.

If you find anything, please let us know so we can add it to our collection.

Eddie

From: Genealogy Resource Library [mailto:fairfieldgenealogy@truvista.net]
Sent: Friday, July 13, 2018 10:36 AM
To: 'Kemp, Valerie N'
Subject: FW: Request Status

Hello Valerie,

Your request is #1 (3 member request ahead of you) of 28 total remaining request.
Check with us on your status and update us on any progress on your end.

Thanks for your patience with us. We have been working as time permits on request.
Walk-in's and members have priority for assistance with research.

FYI: This past month: Walk-in 104 visitors, 64 Fairfield County, 27 In-state and 13 Out-of-State;
38 closed research request, 33 Walk-in's needing assistance, 4 Members email request, and 1
non-member request.

Eddie

From: Genealogy Resource Library [mailto:fairfieldgenealogy@truvista.net]
Sent: Tuesday, April 10, 2018 11:49 AM
To: 'Kemp, Valerie N'
Subject: FW: Request Status

Hello Valerie,

I have not forgot about you, takes time sometimes to find information.
Your request is still #2 (9 member request ahead of you) of 22 total remaining request.
Check with us on your status and update us on any progress on your end.

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Hello Valerie,

Your request is still #5 (4 member request ahead of you) of 16 total remaining request.

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FYI, become a member by clicking on this link and follow instructions on page.
http://www.fairfieldgenealogysociety.org/membership_app.htm

Eddie

Eddie Killian
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From: Kemp, Valerie N [mailto:kempvale@msu.edu]
Sent: Tuesday, January 30, 2018 7:24 PM
To: Genealogy Resource Library
Subject: Re: 1914 Birth Certificate

Hi,

Thank you for keeping me updated. I am happy to pay. I looked at the website but I couldn't figure out what your member fee is? Maybe I missed it because I was on my phone. At any rate, I am happy to pay for your research work.

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Thanks again,

Valerie Kemp

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From: Genealogy Resource Library <fairfieldgenealogy@truvista.net>
Sent: Tuesday, January 23, 2018 3:30:13 PM
To: Kemp, Valerie N
Subject: RE: 1914 Birth Certificate

Hello Valerie,

Thanks for including your family tree. This will help tremendously.

Your request is now #5 of 25 total remaining request.

Thanks for your patience with us. We have been working as time permits on request. Walk-in's and members have priority for assistance with research and we have been very busy the past three weeks.

We would love to provide our services at no cost and hope to one day be able to provide this service. However, at this time we are totally supported by volunteers and donations. On our membership application you will see we provide a multiple of research tools and supplies for researchers. We are a 501-C3 society and all donations are tax deductible.

Normally, we encourage researchers to become members of our society (see website). Members receive free priority research and free paper copies for their membership year. For non-members, we normally charge \$15 per request (2 hours) and \$.10 per copies.

For our records would you please share any information you have updated on your family lines. The information will be filed and made available in our family files. This will aide to expedite future request for research and assist walk-in researchers.

Eddie

From: Kemp, Valerie N [mailto:kempvale@msu.edu]
Sent: Tuesday, December 19, 2017 10:35 PM
To: Genealogy Resource Library
Subject: Re: 1914 Birth Certificate

Hi Eddie (or whoever reads this!)

Thank you for your response. I have put together a pedigree for you of what I have found. It looks a bit sketchy so let me explain.

Link: <https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/tree/117688182/family?fpid=140171064732>

My mother was born in Germany to a German mother and an American soldier and given up for adoption to an American military family. I managed to find her German birth family in 2013, and with the help of a German search angel, was able to get some information on my mom's unusual case. (Her birth father tried to take custody of her, but at that time, the military did not allow this.) From that info, I have a full name and birthdate(s) however, while there is more information in the file, due to strict German privacy laws, we are not allowed to know what it is. So the one record that I have for certain in the family tree, is Henry James Brown's 1942 enlistment record. I have checked with the military and they have been unable to find any other records of his service besides his discharge in the 50s which stated his address was Detroit. I do also know his company info, but not off hand.

Anyway, the rest of the tree looks very suspect. The dates don't match up much but I have seen this a lot in research on my father's side of the tree. Basically, I have the enlistment record, and I have this marriage record for Henry J Brown born in Fairfield. I have been able to work out a tree that appears to show that it's possible that this Henry is the son of a Margaret Gladney from Fairfield, S.C. Although she seems potentially a bit young. (There is also an age appropriate James Brown living nearby.) However, the Margaret Gladney I found, had a mother named Carrie, and the informant on her death certificate is Margaret Brown. Then I have found a Margaret Brown living with her children Carrie and Henry in Detroit in the same house in both 1930 and 1940. The ages are wrong and in 1930 it says they are born in Georgia. However, in 1940, Henry is listed as having 1 year of high school and working as a hotel dishwasher, and on my Henry's enlistment record, he states that he has 1 year of high school, and his job industry is "cooks not private family".

So, I am trying to determine if the Henry in the marriage record could be the same Henry in the 1930 and 40 Detroit censuses, and if that Henry could be my Henry. I am also trying to learn more about the Henry Brown and Margaret Gladney/James Brown on the marriage record so that I can flesh out their trees and see if they connect with any of my mom's dna matches. She does have several matches that connect to descendents of a Turner family who were slaves in Fairfield County. So any potential records on Margaret and James Brown who probably married after 1911 given her age, or perhaps a birth record for Carrie Brown, or anything else that provides info on the family would be super helpful.

That was a lot of info! I hope I managed to make it make sense. Please let me know if you need more info or clarification.

Thank you so much for your time,

Valerie Kemp

From: Genealogy Resource Library <fairfieldgenealogy@truvista.net>
Sent: Monday, December 18, 2017 5:12:47 PM
To: Kemp, Valerie N
Subject: RE: 1914 Birth Certificate

Hello Valerie,

To answer your question; SC did not require birth & death certificates until January 1, 1915 and records are kept at the SC Department of Health and Environmental Control, Vital Statistics. Occasionally, one can find a delayed birth certificate for those born before this time. BTW, SC marriage certificates were not required until July 1, 1911.

I mentioned to Greydon that the Brown & Gladney names are very Fairfield County, SC, families. However, we actually have a 1920 Census with Henry J Brown and father James E. Brown also in Hyde County, NC. With Fairfield, NC on the marriage certificate and Fairfield, NC, truly existing, we wanted to know if you had anything more about your family that may narrow our search. After all, Brown is a very common name and we did not have much to go on. We will take the information provided in your reply email and look further in our record collection. It would greatly help us if you have a pedigree that you can share with us.

Hope to help and find some interesting information for you.

Merry Christmas and New Year to you and your family,

Eddie

Eddie Killian
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From: Kemp, Valerie N [<mailto:kempvale@msu.edu>]
Sent: Monday, December 18, 2017 4:26 PM
To: Genealogy Resource Library
Subject: Re: 1914 Birth Certificate

Hi Greydon,

Thank you so much for your response. I actually have that same record and I believe the error is in fact in the record itself and that Henry Brown was actually born in Fairfield, South Carolina. (I see this frequently in my research.) I have done extensive

research on both options, and Margaret Gladney, and many Gladneys as well as James Brown, are living in Fairfield, South Carolina at the time in which Henry Brown would've been conceived and born. Gladney especially is a name very specific to African Americans in Fairfield, South Carolina at that time and before. It is not in North Carolina. I also have other records including military records that I believe correspond to this Henry Brown where he states he was born in South Carolina. In addition I have DNA matches with others who have ancestors from Fairfield, South Carolina. That's why I am looking for the birth certificate to confirm that this is the same Henry Brown. Are you able to tell me if a birth certificate for a Henry Brown born in about 1914 in the Fairfield area exists? Or if there is a record of Margaret/Maggie Gladney having any children there. If not Henry, then a daughter Carrie/Caroline? Or a marriage to James Brown? Or could you give me an idea of where else I might be able to look for records from Fairfield, SC? I live in Michigan, so my options are limited.

Thank you so much for your time,

Valerie Kemp

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From: Genealogy Resource Library <fairfieldgenealogy@truvista.net>
Sent: Monday, December 18, 2017 4:11 PM
Subject: 1914 Birth Certificate
To: Kemp, Valerie N <kempvale@msu.edu>

Hello Valerie,

My name is Greydon Maechtle and your inquiry was referred to me from Elizabeth Bonds at the Fairfield County, SC, Library. I am a researcher at the Fairfield County, SC, Museum Genealogy Library, Fairfield County, South Carolina.

On [Ancestry.com](#) I found a marriage record for Henry J. Brown indicting his birth place as Fairfield, North Carolina. Please find attached the marriage certificate information from [Ancestry.com](#) and Google Map information on Fairfield, NC.

If you aware of this record on [Ancestry.com](#), perhaps you sent this inquiry to Fairfield, SC by mistake. In any case, I suggest you contact Fairfield, NC, Chamber of Commerce for a list of Genealogical Resources in their area.

Greydon

Greydon Maechtle
FCGS-Fairfield County Genealogy Society, Member-At-Large
Fairfield County Archives and Family Resource Library Researcher

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