

P. O. Box 873
Hopkinsville, KY 42241-0873
May 23, 1994

Fairfield County Museum
231 South Congress Street
Winnsboro, SC 29180

Ladies and Gentlemen:

On September 12, 1939, I was born in Fairfield County to Mr. and Mrs. Willie Pearson according to my birth record. Please see attached copy. Shortly after my birth, my mother, Azenee Belton Pearson, left Winnsboro, S.C. and never returned. I was never told why she left nor anything about those she left behind.

Fifty-four years have passed. I have retired from the military with honors largely because of the values instilled in me by my mother. I believed I had no sisters or brothers or surviving family until a few months ago when my wife noticed that according to my birth certificate another child was born to my parents. I have this inner need to locate any of my remaining relatives. According to the brochure that I was sent, there are people within the museum's genealogy section that could assist me in locating any remaining family members.

Any help you can give me in this matter would be greatly appreciated. My address is listed above and please feel free to call me collect at (502) 886-3400 with any helpful information you might find or any other requirements needed of me.

Sincerely,

Willie Pearson, Jr.

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Enclosure

1. PLACE OF BIRTH
 County of Franklin
 Township of #14
 or
 Inc. Town of Winchester S.C.
 (If birth occurs in a hospital or other institution, give name of same instead of street and number)

Standard Certificate of Birth
 STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
 Bureau of Vital Statistics
 State Board of Health
 Registration District No. 19A Registered No. 76
 (For use of Local Registrar)

2. FULL NAME OF CHILD Willie James Pearson
 (If child is not yet named, make supplemental report as directed)

3. Sex: Male
 4. Birth date: Sept. 15, 1955
 5. Number, in order of birth: 1
 6. Premature: 1
 7. Are Parents Married? Yes
 8. Date of birth: Sept. 15, 1955
 (Month, day, year)

FATHER: Willie Pearson
 MOTHER: James Beaton
 18. Name before marriage: James Beaton

19. Residence (mailing address) (If non-resident, give place and State) Winchester, S.C.
 20. Color or race: W
 21. Age at last birthday: 20 (Years)

22. Birthplace (city or place) (State or country) Franklin Co., S.C.
 23. Trade, profession, or particular kind of work done, as employer, contractor, or otherwise: Lawyer
 24. Industry or business in which work was done, as silk mill, sawmill, bank, etc.: Lawyer's office, silk mill, etc.
 25. Date (month and year) last engaged in this work: 1955
 26. Total time (years) spent in this work: 19

7. Number of children of this mother (At time of birth and including this child) (a) Born alive and now living: 21 (b) Born alive but now dead: 0 (c) Stillborn: 0
 8. If stillborn, period of gestation: months weeks 29
 29. Cause of stillbirth: (None)

CERTIFICATE OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN OR MIDWIFE
 I hereby certify that I attended the birth of this child, who was born at 7:4 m. on the date above stated.
 I certify that I instilled or had instilled in the eyes of this child at 7:4 m. on above date.

24. Palate: Hare Lip Other Deformities: (None)
 (When there was an attending physician or midwife, then the father, householder, etc., should make this return. Given name added from a supplementary report: (None)
 (Date of) 9/15/55 Registrar: Marie M. Byrnes

(Signed) John B. Pearts M.D.
 Address 1411 W. 11th St., Greenville, S.C.
 Filed 9/15/55 1955 Registrar: Marie M. Byrnes

"A TRUE COPY"
 Received by Marie M. Byrnes
 Date 5-18-67
Marie M. Byrnes
6-28-67

ATTESTS: This is a true copy of the original certificate filed in the records of the S. C. State Board of Health - Bureau of Vital Statistics. Absence of impression seal of the S. C. State Board of Health renders this certification void.
 By: Marie M. Byrnes
 Assistant State Registrar
 Date: 7-23-68
E. Kenneth Aycock M.D.
 State Health Officer and Registrar