

Mr. and Mrs. George Baker Honored
On Their 50th Wedding Anniversary



1968
Mr. and Mrs. George Baker of Canal Street, Chester, were honored with a reception on June 16, at the Community House in Republic Park. The occasion was their golden wedding anniversary.

Some ninety persons dropped in during the afternoon to congratulate Mr. and Mrs. Baker, and to wish them well.

The Community House was attractively decorated, and the guests enjoyed refreshments of cake, punch, nuts and mints.

The celebrants are natives of Winnsboro, and were married here on June 15, 1918, by Judge W. L. Holley, in a simple ceremony.

Mrs. Baker is the former Lillian Branham, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Adolphus Branham of Winnsboro, and Mr. Baker's parents were Mr. and Mrs. James Baker, also of Winnsboro.

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The Bakers have four sons, Marion, Oscar, Henry and Rudolf Baker; two daughters, Mrs. Melvin (Dot) Smith and Mrs. Cecil (Helen) Roberts; 14 grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Mrs. Baker has six sisters living in Winnsboro. They are Mrs. Robert (Roxie) Douglas, Mrs. John (Nannie) Sims, Mrs. Andrew (Lucy) Price, Mrs. Elijah (Belle) Johns, Mrs. George (Dollie) Atkinson and Mrs. Tom (Edna) Watson.

Mr. & Mrs. Williams Are Honored On 50th Wedding Anniversary

1974
Mr. and Mrs. Alvin J. Williams were honored on their 50th wedding anniversary with a reception given by their children, Mr. and Mrs. James T. Williams of Chesapeake, Va. and Miss Mary Alice Williams of Winnsboro, on Sunday afternoon, July 21, between the hours of 3 and 5 o'clock at Gordon Memorial United Methodist Church Social Hall.

Mr. and Mrs. Lacey Shaw of Winnsboro greeted the guest and introduced them to the receiving line composed of the honored couple, their children and grandchildren, John T. Williams of Chesapeake, Va. and Mr. and Mrs. J. Michael Williams of Portsmouth, Va.

Greenery and beautiful floral arrangements graced the church social Hall. An exquisite arrangement of summer flowers, which had been grown and arranged by Mrs. Mary Robertson and Miss Frances Robertson, as were the other floral decorations, flanked the refreshment table.

Punch was served by Mrs. L. T. Overby of Kingstree.

Guests served themselves from an array of festive party foods placed on the refreshment table. Assisting in serving were Mrs. Ruth McDonald, Miss Johnnie Mae Cameron and Mrs. J. Earle Stevenson, all of Winnsboro.

Miss Betty Ann Overby of Kingstree and Columbia kept the guest register. Goodbys were said to Mr. and Mrs. Cole L. Shaw of Winnsboro.

At Winnsboro Home of Mrs. Hollis

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Smith, Ridgeway, Feted on 50th Wedding Anniversary



Mr. and Mrs. Fred Smith of Ridgeway were honored on their fiftieth wedding anniversary on Sunday, December 24, between the hours of 3-6 p.m., at the home of their daughter, Mrs. John Hollis, in Winnsboro. 1973

The reception was given by the Smiths' children. They have eight, as well as 22 grandchildren and 8 great-grandchildren.

Mr. and Mrs. Smith lived in Winnsboro for a number of years before moving to Ridgeway. Mr. Smith is retired from Uniroyal, Inc.

For the occasion Mrs. Smith wore a long polyester dress with a solid red skirt and printed top, trimmed in gold at the waistline. She wore gold shoes and a yellow rosebud corsage, which was presented to her upon arrival. Mr. Smith was attired in a brown suit, with a gold tie, and yellow boutonniere.

Presiding at the register was Miss Teresa Hollis of Winnsboro.

The register table was covered with a white cloth and placed upon it was a large opened white Bible. The gift tables, covered with white cloths, were centered with small Christmas trees.

The three tiered wedding cake, decorated with yellow roses and centered on the top with three gold bells, was placed on a table covered with a white lace cloth, enhanced at intervals with yellow ribbon and bows. It was flanked by gold candleholders holding large gold candles, entwined with ivy and holly.

The refreshment table was decorated similar to the cake table, and featured an arrangement of yellow mums. Refreshments consisted of golden punch, cake squares and basket favors of mints and nuts.

Assisting with the serving were Misses Rhonda Jackson and Bobbie Lucas of Ridgeway and Carol Smith of Donaldsonville, Ga.

An arrangement of red rosebuds, candles, ivy and holly was placed on the piano.

Mr. and Mrs. Smith received many lovely gifts. Eighty-one guests attended the reception on Christmas Eve, and a number of friends and relatives who could not be present have visited the honored couple since to express their congratulations.

Out-of-town guests were Mr. and Mrs. Jack Holsonback and Mrs. Hazel Hollis of Ridgeway, Harold Hollis of Great Falls, Mr. and Mrs. Haskel Owens and children of Lugoff, Mr. and Mrs. Don Heasley of Charlotte, N. C., and Misses Beverly and Kathy Enloe of Tennessee.

Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Shaw Honored On 50th Wedding Anniversary



Mr. and Mrs. Ragsdale

Golden Wedding Anniversary Is Noted by Couple

Mr. and Mrs. William Glenn Ragsdale (Ella Little Smith) celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on New Year's Day with a family dinner at the Fairfield Country Club. 1973

The couple, who were married on January 1, 1923, were honored on their Golden Anniversary by their two daughters, Mrs. J. Coleman Stevenson (Virginia) and Mrs. W. Lindsay Wylie (Bob). They have five grandchildren and one great-grandson.

The party rooms were decorated with lovely floral arrangements and covers were laid for fifteen in the dining room. A delicious course meal was enjoyed, and the lovely tiered cake was cut and served with dessert.

All members of the immediate family were present.

The children of Mr. and Mrs. Lacey L. Shaw entertained with a lovely reception on Sunday afternoon, May 20, 1973 in the Fellowship Hall of Gordon Memorial United Methodist Church honoring their parents in celebration of their fiftieth wedding anniversary. Mr. and Mrs. Shaw were married on May 19, 1923, in Chester, South Carolina. Mrs. Shaw is the former Grace Delilah Leagon.

Hosts and hostesses for the occasion were: Mr. and Mrs. W. C. (Mary) Berry, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. (Doris) Bennett, Mr. and Mrs. Paul (Natalie) Brigman, Mr. and Mrs. Jack (Sara) Stevenson, all of Winnsboro, Mr. and Mrs. Revonne C. (Mickey) Hunt of Hogansville, Ga., Mr. and Mrs. James L. (Bud) Shaw of Southern Pines, North Carolina and Mr. and Mrs. Douglas D. Shaw of Myrtle Beach. The honorees also have 23 grandchildren and 4 great-grandchildren.

Greeting the guests were Mr. and Mrs. Ryan Varner who introduced them to the receiving line, composed of the honorees and their seven children.

In the hall, a beautiful arrangement of yellow mums and gladioli in a brass container was used and on the guests register table a small arrangement of dainty yellow rosebuds.

Arrangements of yellow mums, gladioli and magnolias were used throughout the Fellowship Hall.

A round table, covered with a net-over-satin cloth, held the four-tiered decorated wedding cake. A single yellow rose with greenery and ribbon streamers was used on the cake table.

An additional round table was centered with the silver punch bowl from which delicious golden punch was dispensed by the granddaughters of the honorees.

(nee Cecelia Lanham) kept the register and cut and served the cake.

Goodbys were said to Mr. and Mrs. Cole L. Shaw.

Numerous local and out-of-town friends and relatives shared this happy occasion as over 300 guests called between the hours of 3 and 5 p.m.