

# Fairfield County Genealogy Society Research Library Research Log

#14

Member:  Yes (priority),  No Position in-line:

Surname(s): BLAIR Target:

Started:    Ready to File  Completed:

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

- **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
- **Computer with Large TV Screen**
  - Check **ICON** labeled 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 – Southwest Corner**
  - Local Church History & Denominational Church History
  - Deeds
  - Wills
  - Equity Court
  - Cemeteries
  - Birth Scrapbook
  - Marriage Notices & Scrapbook
  - Death Notices & Scrapbook

## Genealogy Resource Library

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**From:** Genealogy Resource Library [fairfieldgenealogy@truvista.net]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 17, 2015 2:08 PM  
**To:** 'Sarah Bennett'  
**Subject:** RE: Ancestor info

Hello Sarah,

Your request is now number #14 of the 19 remaining request.

Thanks for your patience with us.

Apparently good news, the word must be out about us (see FYI below).  
However, we are still supplied by a volunteer staff.

As FYI: we were getting on average about 3 request per month, this past year our average was 20 request per month;

our walk-in visitors is up from January 2014, 110, to an average of 139 walk-ins per month in 2014, 226 last month;

out of state visitors is up from January 2014, 2, to an average of 14 out of state visitors per month, 16 last month, recently 12 in one day.

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 chapter (see website).

Members receive free priority research and free paper copies for their membership year.

For non-members, we normally charge \$15 per request (3 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.

Please let us know if you need any further assistance and feel free to call us to check the status of your request.

Eddie

Eddie Killian

FCGS-Fairfield County Genealogy Society, President

Fairfield County Archives and Family Resource Library Research Volunteer

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Winnsboro, SC 29180-0093

Library: 2nd Floor of the Fairfield County Museum  
231 South Congress Street  
Winnsboro, SC

Office Hours: Tuesday - Thursday 10:00AM-5:00PM; (Lunch 12:30PM-1:30PM)  
Friday 10:00AM-1:00PM  
Monday or Saturday by appointment only  
Volunteer staffed, please call before coming

Phone: (803) 635-9811  
Fax: (803) 815-9811  
Email: <mailto:fairfieldgenealogy@truvista.net>  
Website: <http://www.fairfieldgenealogical.org>  
Meeting Date: Normally 3rd Thursday of the Month (usually at museum)

Please check web site announcement page for latest details  
<http://www.fairfieldgenealogical.org/announcements.htm>

Projects: Research Library, Abandoned Cemeteries, DNA, Social Media, Community Outreach

Officers: Please check web site officers page  
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**From:** FAIRFIELD COUNTY MUSEUM FAIRFIELD COUNTY MUSEUM [mailto:fairfieldmus@truvista.net]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 10, 2015 9:35 AM  
**To:** Richard Hodges; Genealogy Resource Library  
**Cc:** Sarah Bennett; Dan Wilson  
**Subject:** Re: Ancestor info

Forwarding here to our genealogy room manager. Please contact Eddie Killian with the specific names and time periods that you are looking for. There is a minimal fee for in-depth look up and there is always a lineup of queries ahead. If can plan a trip to the museum (museum is located in Winnsboro), contact Eddie for his schedule as you will find it is very fruitful to look through our available files on the Blairs and related families. You may be interested in meeting Coleman-Feaster-Mobley connections to the Blair family during the annual family reunion on the first weekend in October. Eddie and Dan can send you more on that. Thanks, Richard, for steering her to us...  
-Pelham

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**From:** "Richard Hodges" <[rhodges50@gmail.com](mailto:rhodges50@gmail.com)>  
**To:** "Sarah Bennett" <[DivaDirector1@aol.com](mailto:DivaDirector1@aol.com)>  
**Cc:** "Dan Wilson" <[ernied37@aol.com](mailto:ernied37@aol.com)>, "Pelham Lyles" <[fairfieldmus@truvista.net](mailto:fairfieldmus@truvista.net)>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 9, 2015 10:04:58 PM  
**Subject:** Re: Ancestor info

Sarah Blair Bennett,

Thank you for your inquiry about the Blair family. There are 62 Blair burials at Salem Presbyterian Church, Fairfield County, S.C. where I have been the pastor since 1984. A look in the Salem Session Books 1925-1949 and 1949-1970 did not immediately reveal any of the Blair men you mentioned. We have books that go further back to 1832 but they're not readily at hand (i.e., they're locked in a safe at the moment.) I am copying your email to Mr. Dan Wilson who has information on the Blair family and

also to Ms. Pelham Lyles, Director of the Fairfield County Museum and in daily contact with the Fairfield Genealogical Society. They have a research room that is loaded with local genealogical information. I'm sure the Blair family is in there. It's interesting that one of the wives of Robert Ross Blair was a Hodges woman. My Hodges family is from south Georgia and I know of no local Hodges connections.

Hopefully Dan and/or Pelham can be of assistance to you or know someone who can.

Here are the 62 Blair burials at Salem Church. Come visit if you're in the area.

Good luck and best wishes,

Rev. Richard B. Hodges, Pastor  
Salem Presbyterian Church  
Blair, S.C.

On Tue, Jun 9, 2015 at 8:01 PM, Sarah Bennett <[DivaDirector1@aol.com](mailto:DivaDirector1@aol.com)> wrote:  
Hello, My name is Sarah Blair Bennett. I live in Belle Glade, Florida. I saw your information through FamilySearch.org which connected to [findagrave.com](http://findagrave.com). I was looking at Thomas Ross Blair who is buried in the Salem Presbyterian Church Cemetery.

I am trying to find my Great Grandfather—Robert Ross Blair. I have info that he is from Fairfield County, South Carolina. He was married 3 times and one of his wives was Deborah Ann Hodges from Fairfield. He was also married to a Miss. Burley.

My father was Ross Dewey Blair—born in Sarasota, Fl  
Grandfather was Thomas Franklin Blair—born in South Carolina  
Great Grandfather was Robert Ross Blair—Born in South Carolina

If you have any information or knowledge of these people, and can share it, I would appreciate it.

Thank you,  
Sarah  
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**From:** Genealogy Resource Library [fairfieldgenealogy@truvista.net]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, July 07, 2015 10:35 AM  
**To:** 'Sarah Bennett'  
**Subject:** Robert Ross Blair

Sarah

We have looked through our records and were unable to find anything on Robert.

If we can be of any other help, let us know.

Jon

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