

**MINUTES OF MEETING**  
**66<sup>TH</sup> HAMBRIGHT FAMILY REUNION 2012**  
**OCTOBER 7, 2012 AT THE CHRISTIAN LIVING CENTER OF THE**  
**MACEDONIA BAPTIST CHURCH, KINGS MOUNTAIN, NC**

The 66<sup>th</sup> Hambright Reunion was held on October 7, 2012 at the Macedonia Baptist Church Christian Living Center, Kings Mountain. Following a period of visitation and fellowship, the meeting was called to order at 1:00 pm by President Eudora Anne Ratcliff, who welcomed family and guests. Members from each family group were asked to stand and be recognized.

A prayer of Thanksgiving was given by Rita Hambright Gibbons, followed by the traditional picnic lunch.

**Business Meeting:**

**Number of Attendees:** 58

**The following were recognized:**

**First Time Attendees:** 7

Tom & Judy Allen; Richard Carothers and family, Brock, Susan, Will and Hope of Lexington, NC

**Greatest Distance** – Tom and Judy Allen, of Menard, Texas

**Oldest Attendees** – Bill Craig 84 years old and Wilma R Craig 82

**Youngest Attendees** – Ryan Dixon, Linda and Don Dixon parents.

**Deceased members since last reunion:**

Robert Patrick Jenkins passed Sept 27, 2012

Nancy Todd, August, 2012, granddaughter of Octava Hambright King

Lucy Hambright Kinard, Feb. 8, 2012

Jefferson Davis Hambright, August 2012

David Robinson Hambright, May 2, 2012

Dr. Rufus R Hambright of Beaufort, NC, Feb 22, 2012

Collection basket was passed for collection of reunion funds.

**Guest Speaker** was Ms. Wilma Ratchford Craig is a descendant from Col. Frederick Hambright and Sarah Hardin's oldest daughter Elizabeth who married Joseph Jenkins. Ms Craig talked as though she were in the time period and gave a informative description of the way things would have been like in the 1780's.

**Treasurer report:**

Balance brought forward from 2011	\$390.94
Funds collected for 2012	<u>367.70</u>
<b>Balance</b>	<b>\$758.64</b>
Church donation	200.00
Tea	<u>42.19</u>
Total Expenses	\$242.19
Balance forward	\$516.45

**Shiloh Cemetery Report** – Deborah Early reported on Historic Shelby Foundation and distributed brochures. She explained the money raised for Shiloh Cemetery would be used to restore stones and for upkeep of the cemetery. Deborah mentioned that we could make donations, which are tax deductible, in memory of someone or just make a donation to keep money in the foundation for perpetual care the cemetery. The cemetery is now on National Register of Historic Places since October 2011..

Shelby Foundation Balance 9/28/11	\$2,241.50
2012 Cemeter expenses	<u>1,691.02</u>
Remaining Balance	\$ 500.48
Donations and Reimbursement from HSF	<u>1,923.87</u>
Balance at reunion 2012	\$2,474.35

**Shiloh Cemetery Update** – Doyt Phifer reported that Charles and Stella King Ledford have done an outstanding job on upkeep of the Shiloh Cemetery and they have removed most of debris that had been there for years, uncovering some stones. Charles cut up numerous large trees that had fallen, weeded, seeded, sprayed and raked as well as cutting grass and weed eating for the past two years. Stella is descended from David’s line of the Colonel and Mary Dover. She and Charles have worked without asking for any funds for the work, and they commute from Charlotte 2 or 3 times a month to do work at the cemetery.

Doyt also reported that another gate had been stolen so now a chain is in place to hopefully keep unwanted intruders from entering. Doyt said people still try to use area as a dumping site.

**Minutes:** The secretary, Joyce Holcomb, read the 2011 minutes. A motion to accept the minutes was made, seconded and approved. No corrections were noted.

**Historian Report:** Marjorie Gossage announced the website at [ColFrederickHambright.org](http://ColFrederickHambright.org) has had **1700+** hits (this does not include revisits) and recognized Lee Gossage for his development of the website. She also stated that all of Lorena Eaker’s genealogy records, books, etc. have been turned over to the Lincoln County Library.

President Eudora Anne Ratcliff thanked all for the support she had received as President for the past two years as she announced that Deeda Parton had volunteered to serve as the next President. Deeda has been attending the reunions for the past five years. She and her husband Lester live in Waynesville. She descends from Frederick Hambright and Mary Dover’s daughter Susanne Dickson (Dixon). Deeda loves to visit and research her ancestors cemeteries and she and Lester have a passion for restoring old cars. She likes to dive for fossils in Florida with her brother.

Joyce Holcomb will remain as recording secretary for one more year.

A Hobo Odyssey written by a Hambright descendant, Larry Nichols, is available for purchase..

The President announced that the next reunion would fall on October 13<sup>th</sup>. A motion to move the date to October 6, 2013 was made and approved. This date coincides with the Kings Mountain anniversary activities.

The meeting was adjourned.

Submitted by Joyce King Holcomb, Recording Secretary