

Bassett Family Newsletter, Volume XIII, Issue 4, 19 April 2015

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Section 1 - Welcome

The following trees were added to the Bassett website database since the last newsletter:

- 142B. William Bassett of Llannon, Carmarthenshire, Wales (108 individuals)
- 198B. Vincenzo Bassetti of Meesanza, Italy (34 individuals)
- 504B. Oscar Bassett of Missouri (25 individuals)
- 505B. Aden Bassett of Colorado (28 individuals)
- 506B. Peter Bassett of Canada & Massachusetts (66 individuals)
- 507b. Samuel Bassett of Devonshire, England (34 individuals)

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Section 2 - Featured Bassett: Thomas Henry Bassett Advertisement and Obituary

Thomas Alfred Bassett descends from #376B Thomas Henry Bassett of England as follows:

Thomas Henry Bassett
Thomas Lewis Bassett (b. 1828) and wife Mary Ann Munday
Thomas Henry Bassett (b. 1864)

As a follow up to last month's book review on Alice (Bassett) Nannup, I have found the following two items on her father.

Northern Times, Carnarvon, Western Australia, 13 Feb 1935
Mr. Thomas Bassett

Mr. Thomas Bassett, one of the oldest resident of the Roebourne district, passed away on Friday night, following a stroke which occurred early in the evening. Deceased arrived here about 69 years ago at the age of two years, and had been in the district ever since. He was one of the original drivers of the mail coach plying between Roebourne, Condon, and Marble Bar, and at one time owned Kangan station. A masonic funeral was accorded deceased, he being one of the first members of the Harding Lodge.

**Application for a Publican's
General License.**

To the Worshipful the Justices of the
Peace, acting in and for the dis-
trict of Roebourne, in Western
Australia.

I, THOMAS HENRY BASSETT,
single, now residing in Roebourne,
in the district of Roebourne, do hereby
give notice that it is my intention to
apply at the next Licensing Meeting to
be holden for this district for a Publi-
can's General License, for the sale of
Liquor, in the house and appurtenances
thereunto belonging, situated in Sholl-
street, containing one billiard room, one
dining room, one sitting room, and nine
bedrooms, exclusive of those required
by myself, now licensed under the sign
"Commercial Hotel," and which I in-
tend to keep as an Inn or Public House.

Given under my hand this seven-
teenth day of November, one thousand
nine hundred and five.

THOMAS HENRY BASSETT.

The Pilbarra Goldfield News, Saturday, 18 Nov 1905

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[Section 3 - Featured Bassett: Raymond Otto Bassett, Antique Collector](#)

Raymond Otto Bassett descends from William Bassett of Plymouth as follows:

William Bassett and wife Elizabeth
Joseph Bassett (b. 1635) and wife Mary Lapham
William Bassett (b. 1667) and wife Mary Bumpus
Benjamin Bassett (b. 1712) and wife Hannah Macomber
Benjamin Bassett (b. 1742) and wife Mercy Crossman
Benjamin Bassett (b. 1774) and wife Sarah Sherman
Prelate H. Bassett (b. 1819) and wife Mary Nickerson
Moses Sherman Bassett (b. 1844) and wife Fidelia Roxana Durant
Otto Hambleton Bassett (b. 1892) and wife Mary Emma Hackey
Raymond Otto Bassett (b. 1921)



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Post Card

I found the postcard above for sale on e-bay.

The Press of Atlantic City, New Jersey, 1 Jun 2003

Raymond O. Bassett

Bassett, Raymond O., of Atlantic City, died peacefully in his home Friday evening. He attended several technical schools in the Army Air Force including Wrights Aircraft Engine factory in Paterson. After the war, he restored many antiques such as antique autos, old player pianos and other intricate musical instruments. Surviving is his wife, Polly Bassett of Atlantic City; his daughters: Marade Bassett of Nashville, Tennessee, and Betty Overlook of York, Maine; four grandchildren and five great grandchildren. Graveside services will be held at the Atlantic County Veterans Cemetery, Route NO. 50, Estell Manor, at 1 p.m. on Wednesday, June 4, 2003. Contributions may be made to the American Legion of Northfield Post NO. 295, 232 Mill Road, Northfield, NJ 08225. Arrangements by Adams-Perfect Funeral Home, Northfield.

The Press of Atlantic City, New Jersey, 8 May 2008
Pauline "Polly" Bassett

Pauline (Polly) Bassett – of Cape May, died peacefully April 9, 2008. She follows her husband in death Ray Bassett. Polly was born in Holden, Massachusetts and moved to Cape May County in 1952. She was curator of several museums starting with the antique auto museum in Princeton, Mass. She was a restoration expert and as having extensive knowledge in antiques which later led her to the Old Village Farm Museum in Rio Grande. Her talents were further utilized at Uncle Dick's museum of Skullville. Wheaton Glass Museum sought out Polly's amazing talents and hired her as curator and director of Wheaton Village. She also gave lectures on "100 years of pressed glass." Polly would often participate in antique car competition. Polly and Ray won the Ford trophy in the 1950 Glidden tour in which they drove a vintage 1903 Ford. Polly leaves two daughters, Marade Bassett of Nashville, TN. Betty Overlock of Brewer, Maine, one brother Bobby Mirick of Holden, Mass. Four grandchildren, eight great-grandchildren. Funeral will be held May 10th, 2008 at 11 o'clock at the Atlantic County Park Veterans Cemetery where she will be laid to rest next to her husband.

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[Section 4 - Featured Bassett: Bassett's Truck Stop, Winston, Missouri](#)

This truck stop was owned by Jay Lee Bassett. Jay descends from #19B Michael Bassett as follows:

Michael Bassett and wife Helena Van Alst
Michael Bassett (b . 1705) and wife Lisbeth Schermerhorn
Michael Bassett (b. 1741) and wife Maria Van Vranken
Nicholas Bassett (b. 1787) and wife Maria Shafer
Sherman Minor Bassett (b. 1825) and wife Eleanor Forte
Elder Forte Bassett (b. 1852) and wife Eliza Jane Vinsel
Alpha Anderson Bassett (b. 1890) and wife Madge Lena Odell.
Jay Lee Bassett (b. 1930)



Bassett's Truck Stop Match Book Cover for Sale on ebay in April, 2015

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Section 5 - Featured Bassett Sapper Llewelyn Bassett of Llanelly, Carmarthen, Wales

Llewelyn Bassett descends from the #202B Bassetts of Llanelly as follows:

John Bassett
John Bassett (b. 1726) and wife Jane Griffith
John Bassett (b. 1765) and wife Keturah
James Bassett (b. 1790) and wife Jane Griffith
James Bassett (b. 1823) and wife Mary
David Bassett (b. 1855) and wife Mary Ann
Llewelyn Bassett (b. 1888)

Carmarthen Weekly Reporter, 8 Sep 1916
A Llanelly Sapper
Terrible Ordeal in "No Man's Land"

Sapper Llewelyn Bassett, son of Mr. and Mrs. David Bassett, 30 Gilbert-place, Llanelly who is at the Southport Hospital, having been wounded for the second time, gives a thrilling story of his experience during the "big push."

"I had," he says, "a wonderful escape from death, and I can thank the Almighty for my deliverance. I was up at the front position eight days before I was hit, and during that time we had been 'over the top' three times trying to take the German trenches. We made a fourth attempt, and this time we took the position and held it. The same night I was sent out to mark a new sap in the front line, and in the vicinity of which the raid was made. It was moonlight, and we could see plainly for a good distance. A risky job it was under such circumstances, but the job had to be done. I went on top and was running when the enemy spotted us and turned his machine-gun upon us. I was hit in the leg and fell like a log and took cover in a shell-hole. My comrades in the party ran back into a sap until things got quiet. There I was, left in "No Man's Land," between the lines. I dare not move, as if I made the slightest movement I should have been spotted again and possibly riddled with bullets. Two hours elapsed and then the Germans began to strafe our front line, and the strafing was something cruel close to where I lay. I was soon enveloped in smoke emitted from the bursting shells, and the smell of powder become suffocating. It was a terrible ordeal.

"One shell bust within five yards of me. The concussion deafened me, and I do not know how I saved from shell shock. It was no getting to hot for me, and, crippled though I was, I made up my mind to make a supreme effort to reach the sap under cover of the smoke. Miraculously, I got to the sap all right, and I was helped by me comrades-in-arms down to the first-aid post."

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Section 6 - Featured Bassett: Bassett's Lozenges

I found this old packet of Bassett's Lozenges for sale on ebay.

George Bassett descends from William Bassett of Ashover (#248B) as follows:

William Bassett and wife Martha
John Bassett and wife Ann Dane
John Bassett and Rebecca Wilson
John Bassett and wife Mary Toft
George Bassett (George of Allsorts fame)

This family was featured in the November 2005 newsletter.



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Section 7 - Featured Bassett: Mary Bassett Clarke, Noted Poet

Mary Bassett Clarke descends from William Bassett of Plymouth as follows:

William Bassett and wife Elizabeth
Joseph Bassett (b. 1635) and wife Mary Lapham
William Bassett (b. 1667) and wife Sarah Sweetland
William Bassett (b. 1694) and wife Mary Crossman
William Bassett (b. 1726) and wife Lydia Fisher
Jedidiah Bassett (b. 1751) and wife Elizabeth Chandler
John Chandler Bassett (b. 1795) and wife Martha St. John
Mary Bassett Clarke (b. 1831)



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1895

Mary Bassett Clarke, daughter of John Chandler Bassett
Noted Poet

MARY BASSETT CLARKE.

MRS. MARY BASSETT CLARKE was born in Independence, N. Y., November 18th, 1831. She is the daughter of John C. Bassett, a well-to-do farmer of western New York, and Martha St. John Bassett, both persons of education and refinement. She was the seventh in a family of twelve children who lived to maturity. She was educated in Alfred University. Although ill-health limited her opportunities, she was graduated from the university in 1857. At the age of fifteen she commenced to write for publication, under the pen-name "Ida Fairfield," in the *Flag of our Union*. With some interruption by ill-health, she continued many years to be a contributor to that paper, to the *Rural New Yorker* and to local papers and periodicals. She became the wife of William L. Clarke on September 8th, 1859, and removed to Ashaway, R. I., which place has since been her home. For several years her writings, both prose and verse, have been principally given to periodicals issued by the Seventh-Day Baptists, of which sect she is a member. A collection of her poems has recently been published, entitled "Autumn Leaves" (Buffalo, 1894.) I. A. K.

From the Magazine of Poetry, Volume 6
By Charles Wells Moulton

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Section 8 - New family lines combined or added since the last newsletter

The following family lines have been combined/eliminated since the last newsletter.

323B. Orville Bassett of Connecticut into the #6B William Bassett of CT family.

The following family lines have been added since the last newsletter.

507B. Samuel Bassett of Devonshire, England

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Section 9 - DNA project update.

No new results to report on the Bassett DNA project.

Donations of any amount can be made to the Bassett DNA project by clicking on the link below. Any funds donated will be used to fund select Bassett DNA tests that will further our project as a whole and benefit all Bassetts worldwide.

<http://www.familytreedna.com/group-general-fund-contribution.aspx?g=Bassett>

This is just a reminder that the DNA portion of the Bassett Family Association can be found at:

A current spreadsheet of results can be found at:

<http://www.bassettbranches.org/dna/BassettDNA.xls>

If you don't have Excel and can't open the spreadsheet above, you can now see the DNA test results at the following website.

<http://www.familytreedna.com/public/Bassett/>

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