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Section 1 - Welcome

I have several interesting queries through the Bassett website during the past month. Two of them will be highlighted this month. The others will be featured once I dig up more information on the Bassett line they belong to.

Totals number of individuals loaded into the Bassett website: 209,950



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## Section 2 - Featured Bassett: Maria (Bassett) Holyoke Portrait Paining

Maria Bassett descends from William Bassett of Plymouth, Massachusetts as follows:

William Bassett and wife Elizabeth  
William Bassett (b. 1624) and wife Mary Raynesford  
William Bassett (b. 1656) and wife Rachel Willison  
Nathan Bassett (b. 1685) and wife Mary Stetson  
William Bassett (b. 1732) and wife Alice Cleveland  
Jonathan Bassett (b. 1763) and wife Lucy Spafard  
Parley Bassett (b. 1795) and wife Asenath Hall  
Maria Bassett (b. 1832) and husband Edward Augustus Holyoke



Portrait of Maria (Bassett) Holyoke done by Edward Augustus Holyoke III (her husband)  
Picture provided by descendant Laura Weaver

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### Section 3 - Featured Bassett: World War II Foot Locker of Col. R.W. Bassett of Ohio

Richard William Bassett descends from #153B. Francis H. (Mosier) Bassett as follows:

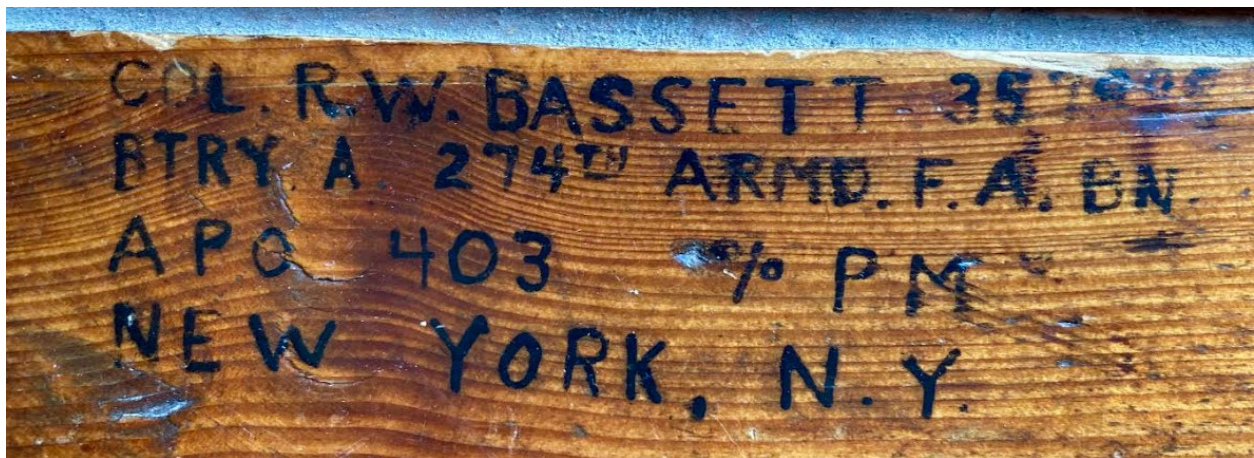
Francis H. (Mosier) Bassett

William Bassett (b. 1862) and wife Augusta Hotchkiss

William David Bassett (b. 1885)

Richard William Bassett (b. 1914)

I was contacted by a thrift shop in San Francisco to try and find the family that this World War II foot locker belongs to. Someone had donated it to the shop in California. I am happy to say we have reunited it with its family!



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#### Section 4 - Featured Bassett: Death of Michael Wallace Bassett of South Carolina

Michael Wallace Bassett descends from #13B Richard Bassett of Georgia as follows:

Richard Bassett (b. 1760) and wife Ann  
John Bassett (b. 1787) and wife Agatha Heard  
Thomas Jefferson Bassett (b. 1815) and wife Mary Traylor  
Thomas Jefferson Bassett Jr. (b. 1847) and wife Julia Ann Josephine Browning  
Charles E. Alexander Bassett (b. 1886) and wife Leola Viola Brown  
Leon Frederick Bassett (b. 1908) and wife Mary Izora Barsh  
Frederick William Bassett (b. 1934) and wife Peggy Roberts  
Michael Wallace Bassett

Palmetto Cremation Society  
Michael Wallace Bassett

Michael Wallace Bassett, 49, died October 9 in Ladson, South Carolina. He was preceded in death by his parents Frederick William Bassett and Peggy Roberts Bassett.

Michael was a poet, visual artist, scholar, and teacher. He earned a B.A. from Wofford College with a double major in philosophy and religion, an MFA in creative writing from Vermont College, and a Ph.D. in creative writing from the University of Southern Mississippi. He taught English and creative writing for 25 years at various institutions, including LaGrange Academy, North Broward Preparatory School, his alma mater Hilton Head Preparatory School, and Timberland High School. He was a dedicated teacher who inspired students with his love of language and passion for ideas. He was also a generous and nurturing person who genuinely cared for his students and wanted them to feel safe and valued.

Michael was an accomplished poet and a previous winner of the Fugue Poetry Contest and the Joan Johnson Award. His poems have appeared in numerous journals and anthologies. He also published three chapbooks: *Karma Puppets*, *A Train Dreams of When it was a Killer Whale* and *More Exhibits from the Museum of Other*, and *Waiting for Love to Make My Phone Explode*, as well as one full-length book of poetry, *Hatchery of Tongues*, and a children's book, *Batrocks and Greenie*.

He was a doting uncle and enjoyed sharing his love for and encyclopedic knowledge about books, music, and film. He was loved by family and friends who will miss him greatly. He is survived by his twin brother Jonathan (Lori), his nephew Lucas, and niece Ella, of Greenwood, SC.

A memorial service will be held at a later date.

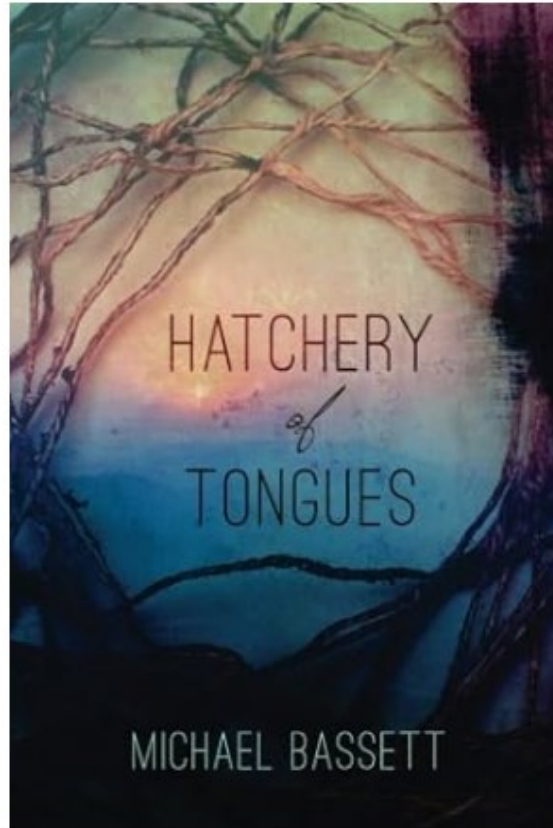
In lieu of flowers, the family requests that you honor Michael's generous spirit with a memorial contribution to the charitable organization of your choice.

## Batrocks and Greenie



Peggy Roberts Bassett and Michael Bassett

Illustrated by  
Denise Lewis Waldrep



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### Section 5 - Featured Bassett: Grover Cleveland "Slim" Bassett and the Granite Ranch, Wyoming

Grover Cleveland Bassett descends from #63B Hansford Bassett as follows:

Hansford Bassett (b. 1809) and wife Mary Elizabeth Underwood  
William Howell Bassett (b. 1834) and wife Mary Ann Phelps  
Floyd McCormick Bassett (b. 1855) and wife Mary Elizabeth Davidson  
Grover Cleveland "Slim" Bassett (b. 1892) and wife Mabel Fuller

The following was passed on to me by a reader of the Bassett newsletter. It details the sale of a property once owned by "Slim Bassett". The link to the article is found below.

[Rare Jackson Wilderness Inholding Hits The Market For \\$9 Million | Your Wyoming News Source \(cowboystatedaily.com\)](http://cowboystatedaily.com)



Slim Bassett was an avid angler and once owned Granite Creek Ranch. (Renée Jean, Cowboy State Daily)

I believe the above picture is from the fireplace mantle at the ranch.

## *Slim Bassett dies in Oregon*

Former Jackson resident Grover Cleveland "Slim" Bassett died in Medford, Ore., on April 17. He was 90.

Mr. Bassett was born at Union, Miss., on Nov. 4, 1892. In 1916 Mr. Bassett came into Jackson Hole via the Berry Creek freight road from St. Anthony's, Idaho. During the 53 years he spent in Teton County, Mr. Bassett worked for the McBrides, Lee Lucas and on the Hatchet Ranch.

Eventually, Mr. Bassett homesteaded 60 acres on Aspen Drive below Snow King Mountain. In 1936 he bought the Granite (Hot Springs) Ranch. He sold the ranch to Dr. Donald MacLeod in 1965, but con-

tinued to live in a cabin on the property until 1969 when he moved to Oregon.

In 1920 he married Mabel Fuller at Driggs, Idaho. She preceded him in death on July 15, 1965.

Survivors include one son, Grover J. Bassett in Applegate, Ore.; a stepdaughter, Margaret O. Bell in Salt Lake City; a stepson, Arthur J. Rutherford in Virginia; a sister, Annie Hanson in Louisiana; six grandchildren, and several great grandchildren.

Funeral services are at 2 p.m. today at the LDS Chapel in Jackson. Burial follows at South Park Cemetery.

Newspaper and date unknown.

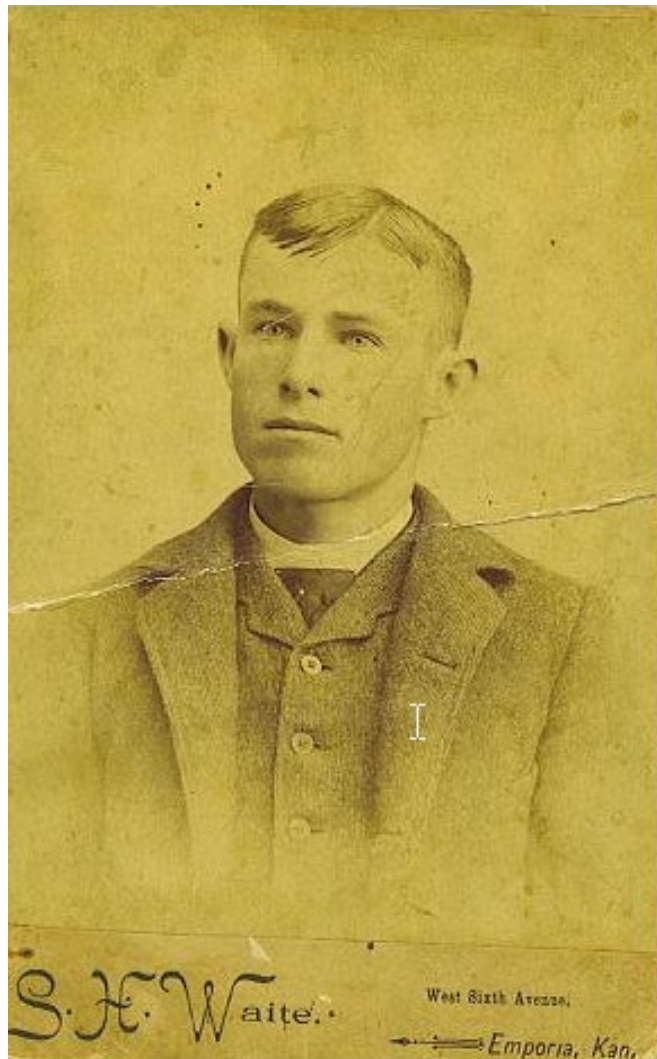
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## Section 6 - Featured Bassett: Family Photographs of Albert Henry Bassett of Kansas

Albert Henry Bassett descends from William Bassett of Plymouth, Massachusetts 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  
Jotham Bassett (b. 1738) and wife Naomi Newland  
John Bassett (b. 1776) and wife Eunice Smith  
Jotham Bassett (b. 1801) and wife Jeannette Woodworth  
Charles Henry Bassett (b. 1839) and wife Julia Elizabeth Bissell  
Albert Henry Bassett (b. 1871) and wife Effie Almenta Ritter



Albert Henry Bassett – pictures provided by Sheryl Rayburn



Albert Henry and Effie Almenta Bassett

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Section 7 - Featured Bassett: Death of Dean G. Bassett of Minnesota

Dean G. Bassett descends from William Bassett of Plymouth, Massachusetts as follows:

William Bassett and wife Elizabeth

William Bassett (b. 1624) and wife Mary Raynesford

William Bassett (b. 1656) and wife Rachel Willison

Nathan Bassett (b. 1685) and wife Mary Stetston

Joshua Bassett (b. 1723) and wife Martha McCarroll

Isaac Bassett (b. 1761) and wife Abigail Hubbard

William Bassett (b. 1787) and wife Cemantha Powers

William Orlando Bassett (b. 1815) and wife Catherine Maria De Coudres

Ashley Marsh Bassett (b. 1840) and wife Mary Ann Gardner

Parents of George Rave Bassett were George Rave and Mary Lemke. George was raised by the Ashley Marsh Bassett family

George Rave Bassett (b. 1889) and wife Hattie Ralph

Dean G. Bassett (b. 1934)

Lakeview Funeral Home  
Dean G. Bassett  
July 31, 1934 - October 31, 2023

Funeral Service for Dean G. Bassett, age 89, of Fairmont, MN, will be 1:30 pm on Friday, November 3rd, 2023, at St. Paul Lutheran Church in Fairmont with interment in Lakeside Cemetery in Fairmont. Those wishing to view a live



stream of the service may do so at [www.splfiarmont.org](http://www.splfiarmont.org). Military honors will be provided by the Lee C. Prentice American Legion Post 36 and Martin County Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 1222. Visitation will be from 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm on Thursday, November 2, at St. Paul Lutheran Church and will continue one hour prior to the service on Friday. Dean passed away on Tuesday morning, October 31, 2023, at Mayo Clinic Health System in Mankato, MN. The Lakeview Funeral Home and Cremation Service in Fairmont is assisting the family with arrangements.

Dean G. Bassett was born on July 31, 1934, in Fairmont, MN. He was the son of George R. and Hattie (Ralph) Bassett. Dean attended school in Fairmont and graduated from Fairmont High School with the class of 1952.

On October 11, 1958, Dean was united in marriage to Sharon L. Osberg in South Dakota. The couple resided in Fairmont. In fact, Dean was born in his house and where he lived his entire life! This union was blessed with four children, Brian, Allan, Lisa, and Mark. Dean and Sharon shared over 65 years together.

Dean worked for many years as a lineman for the Fairmont Power Plant. He was a proud member of the Fairmont Fire Department, serving for 20 years before his retirement. He was a long-time member of St. Paul Lutheran Church where he was continually active, having held several positions in the church over the years.

During his free time, Dean enjoyed looking for deals and frequented many pawn shops over his life. Dean could also tinker like no other and could fix just about anything that needed fixing. "When wiring gets hectic, call Bassett Electric."

Dean never met a deal, stranger, joke, snow blower, or free giveaway that he didn't like. He got a hand me down iPad several years ago and became a super user on Craigslist (small engines were his item of choice). Dean was the first to poke fun at himself and he had plenty of material to work with. The unmistakable Dean characteristic was his one in a million smile that was given out freely, often, and to anyone. He loved his family and loved to visit with family and friends. He brightened our world and will be missed greatly.

Left to cherish his memory include his wife, Sharon Bassett of Fairmont, MN; children, Brian (Ann) Bassett of Arlington, TX, Allan Bassett of Fairmont, MN, Lisa (Joe) Stackhouse of Blaine, MN, and Mark Bassett of Fairmont, MN; grandchildren, Brandon Bassett of Buffalo Center, IA., Tyson Bassett of Fairmont, MN, Jackson Bassett of Dolliver, IA, and Jenna (Mark) Lettow of Iowa Falls, IA; great grandchildren, Layden and Bailee Bassett of Elmore, MN, Henrik and George of Iowa Falls, IA and Hailee Bassett of Buffalo Center, IA.

Along with his parents, George and Hattie Bassett, Dean was preceded in death by his brother; Ralph Bassett, and sisters; Grace (Glover) Bassett, Vera (Dubravetz) Bassett, Mary (Owens) Bassett and Georgianna (Scheff) Bassett.

Memorials are preferred to St. Paul Lutheran Church, the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation, or to the Fairmont Fire Department.

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

No new lines added and no lines combined since the last newsletter.

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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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