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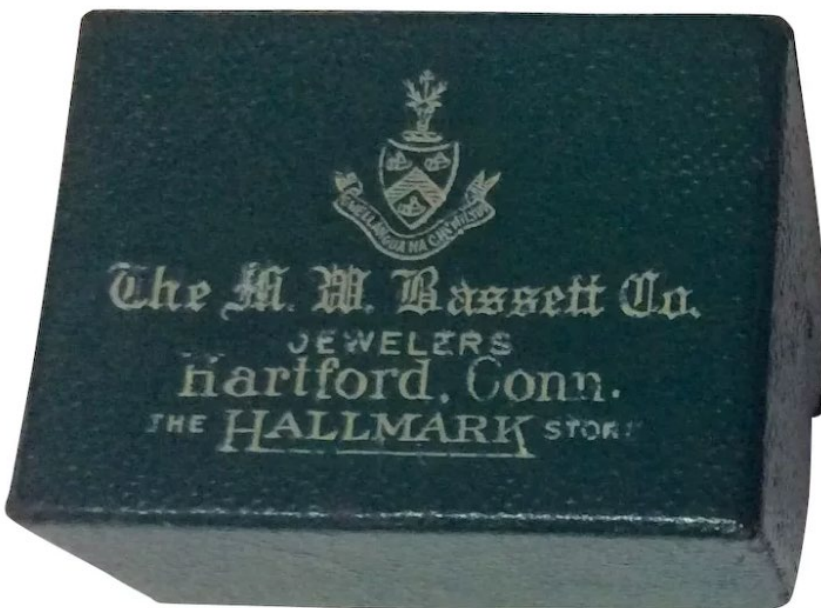
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[Section 1 - Welcome](#)

My parents celebrated their 65th wedding anniversary last week. See Section #4 of the newsletter to see pictures of this couple.

Totals number of individuals loaded into the Bassett website: 196,755



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Section 2 - Featured Bassett: Death of Raymond Elmer Bassett

Raymond Elmer Bassett descends from #20B Caleb Bassett as follows:

Caleb Bassett (b. 1768) and wife Alice Scriven
James Bassett (b. 1773) and wife Lyda
Henry Bassett (b. 1800) and wife Mary Cammel
Daniel Harvey Bassett (b. 1835) and wife Mary Coondradt
Clarence William Bassett (b. 1861) and wife Cora M.H. Wadsworth
Burnice Clark Bassett (b. 1886) and wife Mary Jeanette Hailman
Raymond Elmer Bassett (b. 1928)



Raymond Elmer Bassett

Raymond Elmer Bassett was born June 5, 1928 in Frankfort, Clinton County, Indiana to Burnice Clark and Mary Jeanette (Hailman) Bassett. He died November 7, 2021 in Osage Beach, Missouri. Family was present.

Raymond graduated from Pittsfield High School, Pittsfield, Illinois, and enlisted in the U.S. Navy two weeks before his graduation. He served his country and was recruited into espionage during World War II.

He attended Indiana State in Terre Haute, and graduated from Illinois Wesleyan with a degree in Music Education. He then went on to Garrett Theological Seminary, in Evanston, Illinois, graduating in 1964. He pastored for the Methodist Church in the Central Illinois Conference for 41 years. He also worked as a volunteer hospital Chaplain in Springfield, Peoria, and Kankakee (Illinois). Raymond was a member of the Masonic Lodge and the Eastern Star. He retired in September 1995, where he and his wife, Louise, moved to Sunrise Beach, Missouri. He was involved in the American Legion for 20 years as the Post Chaplin, 12 years as District Chaplin, and 12 years Department Chaplin of American Legion for Missouri. He was involved in the American Passion Play in Bloomington, Illinois for 47 years as the disciple John, Thomas, one of the Sanhedrin, and recently as a tenor in the play's choir. He continued serving others through hospice care.

He is survived by his wife of 69 years, (Evelyn) Louise Wood Bassett; their children: Gwyneth (Terry) Nelson of Meade, Kansas, Michelle (Joe) Knaack of McHenry, Illinois, Nathan (Tonya) Bassett of Bloomington, Illinois, Melissa Whitaker of Kenosha, Wisconsin, and Cameron (Kimberly) Bassett of Auburndale, Florida; 17 grandchildren; 5 step-grandchildren; and 15 great-grandchildren. He enjoyed photography, genealogy, travelling, rug weaving, wood working, and painting. He loved people and talking with them.

His ashes will be privately interred at a later date.

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[Section 3 - Featured Bassett: Photograph of Eltham Plantation, New Kent County, Virginia](#)

The following picture was found by Bren Bassett of Dripping Springs, Texas in the Conway Whittle Family Papers Box 16, 76 W61, in the special collections library at William & Mary.

Conway Whittle Family Papers Box 16, 76 W61, in the special collections library at William & Mary



Photograph of Eltham Plantation, New Kent County, Virginia
Photo taken before Saturday, May 8, 1875 when the home was gutted by fire.

DEATH OF GREAT GRAND NIECES OF WASHINGTON.—Mrs. Mary Burnet Bassett, wife of Col. Benjamin H. Bassett, died at Brenham, Texas, on the 10th of November, of heart disease, and her sister, Mrs. Annette Lewis Ingle, wife of Rev. Julian Ingle, of Henderson, N. C., died on the 19th of November, of consumption. These ladies were daughters of the late Colonel George W. Bassett, of Eltham, Va., and sisters of Mrs. Ella B. Washington, one of the vice-regents of the Mt. Vernon Association. They were also great grand-nieces of General George Washington.

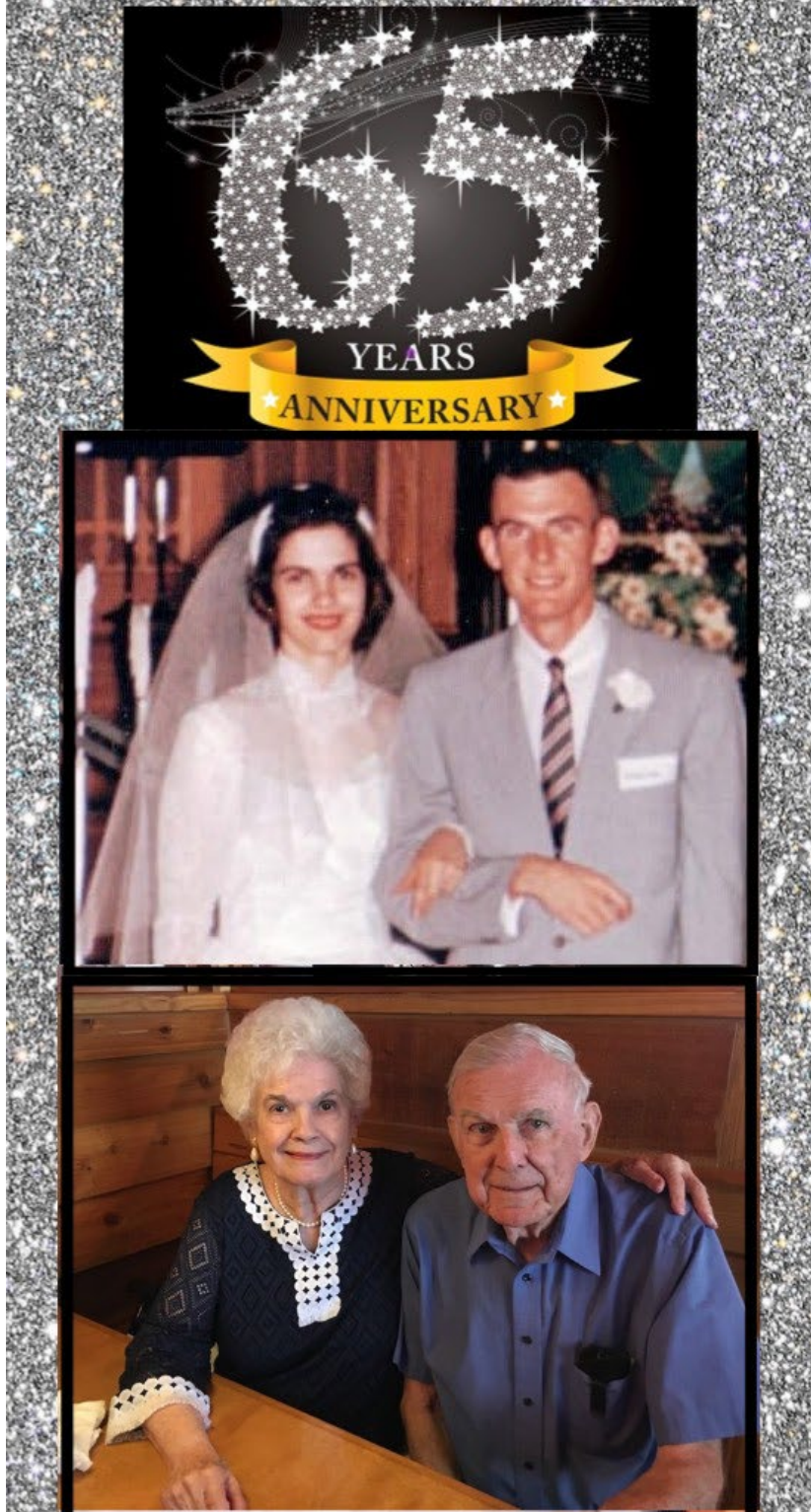
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[Section 4 - Featured Bassett: Roger Wayne and Carol \(Bruch\) Bassett 65th Anniversary](#)

Roger Wayne Bassett descends from William Bassett of Plymouth, Massachusetts as follows:

William Bassett and wife Elizabeth
William Bassett (b. 1624) and wife Mary Rainsford
William Bassett (b. 1656) and wife Rachel Willison
William Bassett (b. 1681) and wife Abigail Bourne
William Bassett (b. 1711) and wife Lydia Smith
Rufus Bassett (b. 1757) and wife Jedidah Handy
Nymphas Bassett (b. 1785) and wife Thankful Ann Bruce
Oliver C. Bassett (b. 1824) and wife Elizabeth Monroney
Marshall Bassett (b. 1858) and wife Sonorah J. Israel
Ernest Bassett (b. 1883) and wife Grace Lee Bass
Ralph J. (b. 1912) and wife Elizabeth Almeta Bassett
Roger Wayne Bassett (b. 1937)

Roger Wayne Bassett married Carol Ann Bruch on 7 Jul 1957. They celebrated their 65th wedding anniversary last week. They are the parents of Jeffrey Bassett, author of the newsletter.



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Section 5 - Featured Bassett: Death of Frederick William Bassett

Frederick William 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)

The Index-Journal, South Carolina, 25 June 2022
Frederick William Bassett

Frederick William Bassett, 87, died June 24 at his home in Greenwood, South Carolina. He was preceded in death by his parents, Leon Frederick Bassett and Mary Izora Barsh Bassett, and his wife of 61 years, Peggy Roberts Bassett.

An Alabama native, Fred earned four academic degrees including a Ph.D. in Biblical Literature from Emory University. During a twenty-one-year tenure at Limestone College, he served as Professor of Religion and Philosophy, Chair of the Division of Humanities, and Vice-President for Institutional Advancement. He then enjoyed a twenty-one-year residency at Hilton Head Island where he served as Executive Director of the Hilton Head College Center and Director of Hilton Head Horizons, an Elder Hostel Program. In retirement, he moved to Greenwood to be closer to his grandchildren. He was an avid supporter of the Greenwood Arts Center and the public library. He was a member of several local writers' groups and book clubs, including one at First Baptist Church where he was a member.

In the latter half of his life, Fred became an accomplished author and poet. He is the author of two books of "found poetry" that he created from Biblical lyrics, "Awake My Heart: Psalms for Life" and "Love: The Song of Songs." He published hundreds of poems in dozens of literary journals and had two books of poetry, "The Horse Dreamer" and "The Old Stoic Faces the Mirror: A Life in Poems." In 2022, he released "A Time to Love Anew," a trilogy of semi-autobiographical novels. He was generous with his time and encouragement of writers of all experience and ability.

He was a devoted husband, father, and grandfather and was loved by family and friends who will miss him greatly. He is survived by six siblings, Martha Pollard, Lynda Anderson, Paul Bassett, Kathy Roberts, John Bassett, and Joan Ray, his sons Michael and Jonathan (Lori), and his grandchildren Lucas and Ella.

A memorial service will be held Tuesday, July 5, at 2:00 p.m. in the chapel at First Baptist Church of Greenwood. The family will receive friends in the parlor immediately following the service.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to any charitable institution including the Dr. Benjamin E. Mays Endowment or First Baptist Church of Greenwood.

A Time to Love Anew

The William Barsh Roberts Trilogy



Frederick W. Bassett

The above is a picture of the cover the book mentioned in Frederick's Obituary.

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[Section 6 – Featured Bassett: Ethel J. Bassett, Pharmacist from Michigan](#)

Ethel J. Bassett descends from #1B John Bassett of Connecticut as follows:

John Bassett and wife Margery
Robert Bassett and wife Mary
Robert Bassett and wife Elizabeth Riggs
Robert Bassett (b. 1699) and wife Eunice Clark
Daniel Bassett (b. 1743) and wife Elizabeth Bassett
Samuel Bassett (b. 1777) and wife Mary Caywood
Daniel Bassett (b. 1833) and wife Mary E. Daniels
Frank E. Bassett (b. 1864) and wife Myra
Ethel J. Bassett (b. 1893)



50 Years on Job

Miss Ethel J. Bassett, 684 Lakeview, today begins her 51st year behind the prescription window at Shain's drug store. Miss Bassett, life-long resident of Birmingham, began working at the pharmacy as a summer temporary employe in 1912 and has never been told her job has terminated. She became the first registered woman pharmacist in Oakland County in 1919. Mayor Florence H. Willett and city commissioners proclaimed Wednesday "Ethel J. Bassett Day" in Birmingham.

I cannot locate the original material showing the date and newspaper this was included in, but it must have been around 1962 as she started work in 1912 and is celebrating 50 years on the job.

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Section 7 – Featured Bassett: Death of Ramon Morris Bassett

Ramon Morris Bassett descends from William Bassett of Plymouth, Massachusetts as follows:

William Bassett and wife Elizabeth
William Bassett (b. 1624) and wife Mary Rainsford
William Bassett (b. 1656) and wife Rachel Willison
William Bassett (b. 1681) and wife Abigail Bourne
John Bassett (b. 1716) and wife Mercy Newcomb
Thomas Bassett (b. 1759) and wife Lydia Mendall
Newcomb Bassett (b. 1781) and wife Esther Smith
Ezra Bassett (b. 1821) and wife Sarah Ann Carpenter
Frank Ezra Bassett (b. 1870) and wife Maggie McLaughlin
Alden Max Bassett (d. 1970) and wife Irene Morris
Ramon Morris Bassett (b. 1928)

Grand Rapids Press, Michigan, 20 June 2022
Ramon M. Bassett

Bassett, Ramon M. Ramon Morris Bassett, age 94 of Gowen MI, passed away peacefully on Saturday, June 18 into his heavenly home after suffering several mini strokes followed by pneumonia. He was born on March 28, 1928 in Cedar Springs, MI to Alden & Irene (Morris) Bassett. He is preceded in death by his parents Alden & Irene, his sister Joan Weldele & his loving wife of 64 years, Louise in 2016. He is survived by his brother Gerald, 4 children: Renae & (Stanley) Kimes of Belding, Debra & (Norman) Chee of New Mexico, Judy & (William) Fish of Rockford and Jeffrey & (Debbie) Bassett of Sparta, 10 grandchildren: Abby & (Nick) Gould of Sand Lake, Whitney Bassett of Sparta, Matthew Kimes of Belding, Michelle & (Jaime) Pyne of Cedar Springs, Peter & (Brandilyn) Fish of Cedar Springs, Kathryn Fish & (Brooks Hobson) of E Grand Rapids, Emily & (Kevin) Ritzema of Cedar Springs, Hannah, Brian & Benjamin Chee of New Mexico, 11 great grandchildren: Colten, Dakota & Shalynn Schreiner, Mason & Madison Hobson, Aiden, Blaire & Brynne Ritzema, Parker, Emmett & Reid Fish. Ramon graduated from Cedar Springs High School in 1947. One of his first jobs was at the Kent Theater in Cedar. He went from passing out flyers to making popcorn to running the movie reels for all the shows. After high school he entered into the Navy. He served from 1948-49 at Glenview Naval Air Base. He operated 2 Amoco service stations, 1 on Main St & 1 at the 131 freeway in Cedar. Upon retirement in the early 1980's he helped his son Jeff start a new business, Bassett's Auto & Towing on 17 Mile Rd near freeway in Cedar. His hobbies included drawing, building a canoe, model airplanes (big-small-tiny) & HO scale trains. He also loved to ride motorcycles & owned several different Harley's including one with a side car (for Mom of course). He was a loving husband, best father ever, a fun grandpa & great grandpa. We will miss his humor, his sweet smile & the wave of his hand to welcome you or say goodbye. Visitation will be Thursday from 6 to 8 PM at Marshall Funeral Home, Greenville and on Friday from 10 AM till the services at the church. Funeral Services will be 11 AM Friday, June 24, 2022 at Bethel Lutheran Church in Howard City with Pastor Richard Townes officiating. A luncheon will immediately follow. Burial with Military honors will take place at Elmwood Cemetery in Cedar Springs In lieu of flowers those wishing to make a contribution in Ramon's name are asked by the family to contribute to the American Heart Assoc, American Cancer Society or St Jude's Children's Hosp. Arrangements are by the Marshall Funeral Home, Greenville with complete online at www.marshallfuneralhomeinc.com. where you can leave a message of condolence for the family.

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

No new lines added or combined since the last newsletter

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Section 9 - DNA project update.

Results for kit #972752 have been added to my DNA chart.

161873	#61B Bassetts of Glastonbury, ENG	13	23	14	10	14	16	11	12	12	13	13	30	18	9	9	11	13	25	14	20	33	13	13	16	16	10	10	22	24	15	14	16	17	35	37	13	9	M
972752	#61B Bassetts of Glastonbury, ENG	13	23	14	10	14	16	11	12	12	13	13	30	18	9	9	11	13	25	14	20	34	13	13	16	16	10	10	22	24	15	14	17	17	35	37	13	9	M

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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