



JOYCE GAFFNEY



BETTY LUE JETER

SENIOR



ANNETTE FARR

BEAUTIES

BETTY J. GIST

MARY RUTH HARDY





# MISS MAYS HIGH

*Beauty, like truth and justice, lives within us . . . but beauty unaccompanied by virtue, is as a flower without perfume . . .*

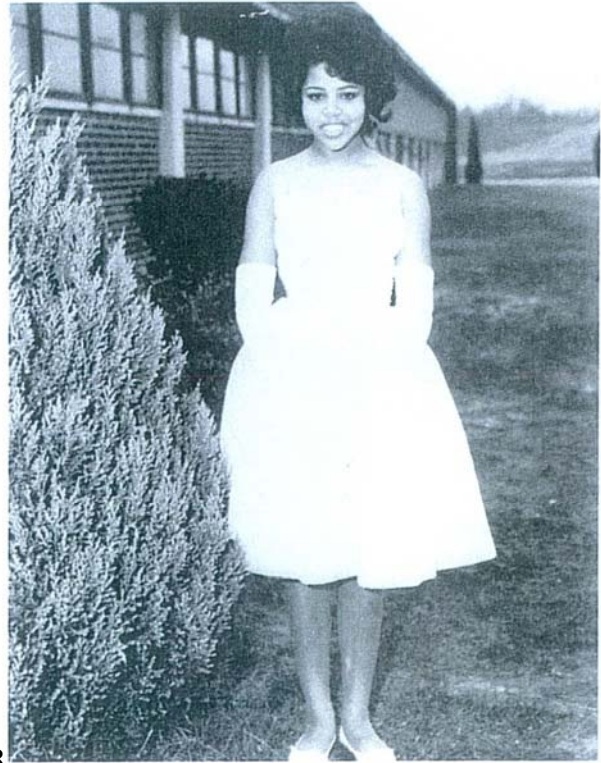


VIVIAN DEAN SMITH

## ATTENDANTS

LEVATOR LOGAN

MARY ANN RICE





# MISS BASKETBALL AND ATTENDANT



PATRICIA McBETH



ISABELLE GIRGER  
Miss Basketball



MARY LOUISE KELLY

## MISS ANNUAL



CLARICE MOCKABEE

## MR. ANNUAL



MICHAEL WANNAMAKER



*. the perfection of outward loveliness is the soul shining through  
its crystalline covering . . .*



MISS SENIOR  
Zera Teamer



MISS JUNIOR  
Mary Alice Shand

## CLASS QUEENS



MISS SOPHOMORE  
Patricia McBeth



MISS FRESHMAN  
Gloria Jean Rice



MISS EIGHTH GRADE  
Brenda Dawkins



MISS SEVENTH GRADE  
Cynthia Shand



# MISS MAYS HIGH



EDITH HILL

# MISS SENIOR



PATRICIA WILLIAMS

# MISS JUNIOR



MARY McKISSICK

# MISS SOPHOMORE



DOROTHY TALLY

# MISS FRESHMAN



JUDY FOSTER



## MISS ANNUAL



GLORIA RICE

## MR. ANNUAL



JOHN SMITH

## MISS MAYS HIGH AND ATTENDANTS



Left to right, Yvonne Brown, Sherry Johnson, Judy Foster.

## MISS MAYS HIGH



92 Sherry Johnson; crowned by the principal, Mr. Myers.



# QUEENS OF THE CAMPUS

MISS SENIOR



*Alma Jean Dewberry*

MISS JUNIOR



*Cynthia Gaffney*

MISS SOPHOMORE



*Theresa Porter*

MISS FRESHMAN



*Alice McCluney*

MISS BENJAMIN E. MAYS



*Mr. Myers crowns Miss Mays High, Miss Margean Prysock*



# CAMPUS QUEENS

## MISS B.E. MAYS AND HER ATTENDANTS



Miss Brenda West, Miss Mays High, and Miss Cynthia Gaffney.

## MISS SENIOR



Miss Mildred Murphy

## MISS JUNIOR



Miss Ruby Long

## MISS SOPHOMORE



Miss Tallulah Byars

## MISS FRESHMAN



Miss Gelola Foster



# MISS MAYS



# MISS SENIOR



# MISS MAYS AND HER COURT





MISS JUNIOR

MISS SOPHOMORE



MISS EIGHTH GRADE





HERE and THERE



with OUR CLASSMATES







*Moments Never to be Forgotten*







MOST ATTRACTIVE  
PONIESE MAKUPSON  
ROBERT DURRAH



THE BUFFOON  
CALVIN HARRIS



MOST TALENTED  
EVELYN WILLIAMS

WITTIEST  
FRANCES WOODS  
JOHN W. DICKEY





# SENIOR SUPERLATIVES



**MOST COMICAL**  
Albert Jeter and Erlean Smith



**BEST ALL-AROUND**  
Roger Smith and Levator Logan



**MOST POPULAR**  
Vivian D. Smith and  
Sterling McCollum



**BEST ATHLETES**  
Dennis McCollum and Pearl Smith



**MOST INTELLECTUAL**  
Lloyd Black and Zera Teamer



**MOST COOPERATIVE**  
Thelma Prysock and  
Bobby Hymes





MOST BUSINESS LIKE  
Lewis Gentry  
Mary Ann Rice

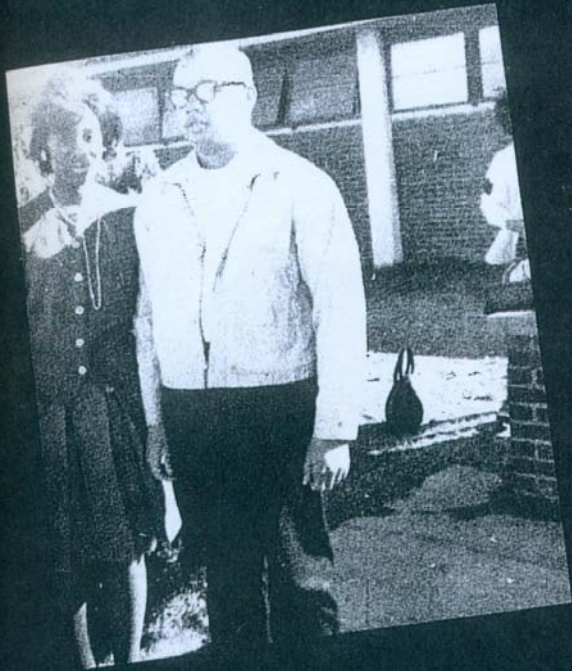
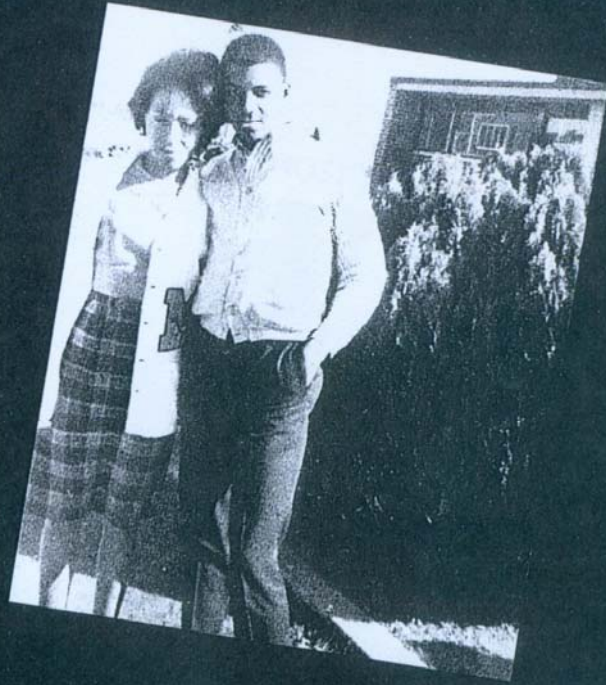
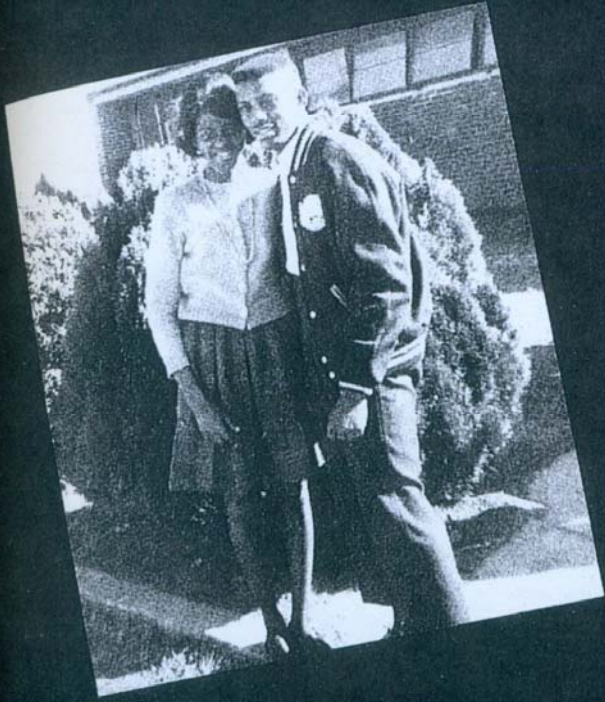
MOST LIKELY TO SUCCEED  
James Hill  
Barbara Caldwell

MOST COOPERATIVE  
Donald Littlejohn  
Yvonne Smith

BEST PERSONALITIES  
Jerome Littlejohn  
Tommie Hardy



# SUPERLATIVES



## BEST ALL-AROUND

Odell Smith  
Elaine McHam

## MOST POPULAR

Tommy Webster  
Patricia Wilburn

## BEST ATHLETES

Sleter Dover  
Patricia Williams

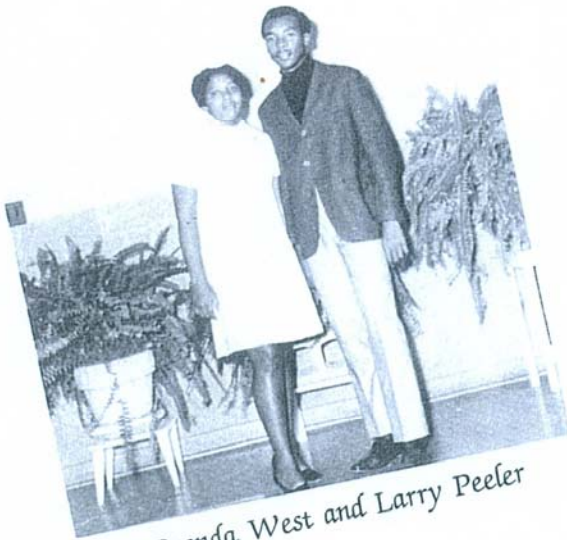
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Carson Macomson  
Dorothy Murphy



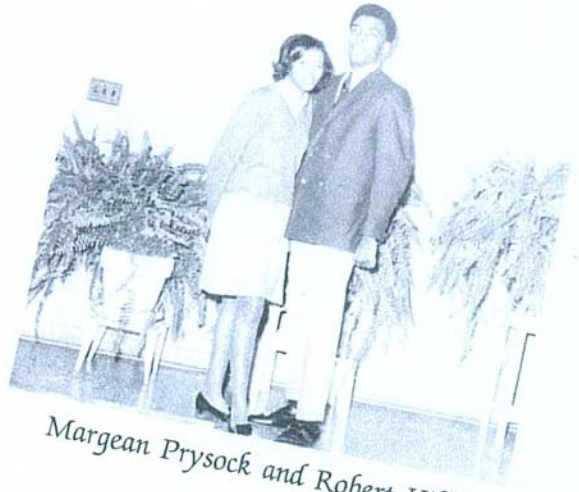
# SENIOR SUPERLATIVES

MOST STUDIOUS



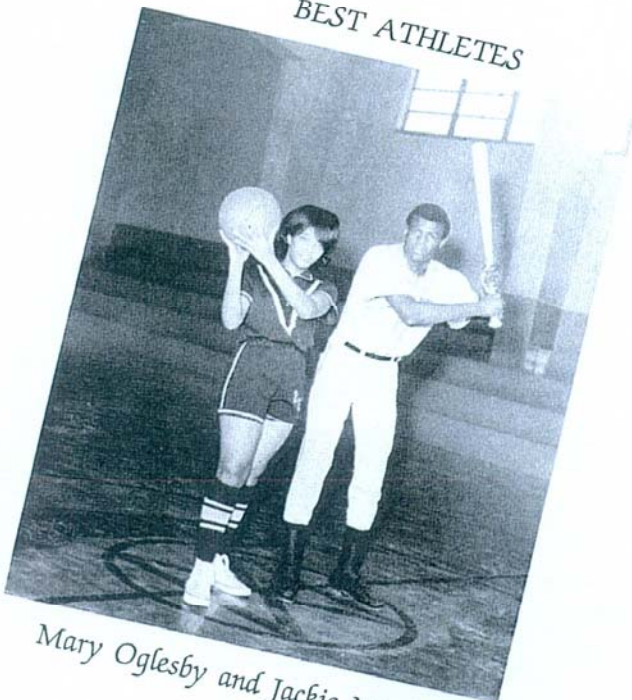
Brenda West and Larry Peeler

MOST POPULAR



Margean Prysock and Robert Hill

BEST ATHLETES



Mary Oglesby and Jackie Mitchell

MOST VERSATILE



Cynthia Hardy and Marvin Rhinehart



# SENIOR SUPERLATIVES

MOST TALENTED



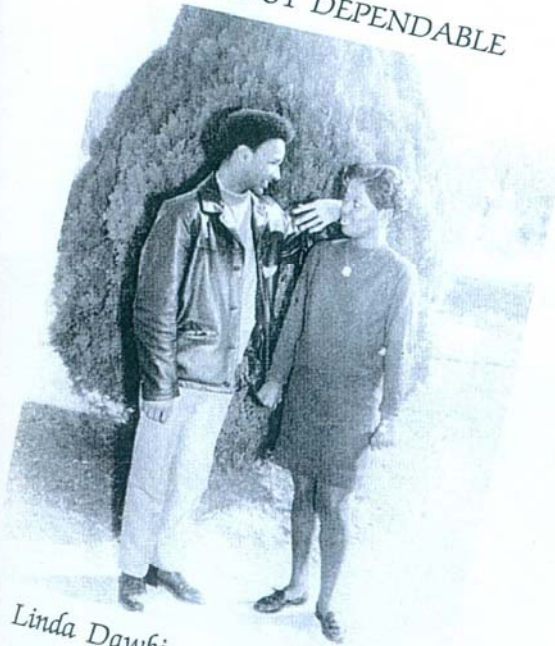
*Julia Wilkins and Van Maybin*

MOST BUSINESSLIKE



*Cynthia Gaffney and Fred Curry*

MOST DEPENDABLE



*Linda Dawkins and Jerry Smith*

MOST COMICAL



*Patricia Tate and Tommy Makupson*



# SENIOR SUPERLATIVES

MOST PLEASING PERSONALITY



*Viola Buckson and Ronnie Lewis*

MOST COURTEOUS



*Martha McCollum and Gerald Bates*

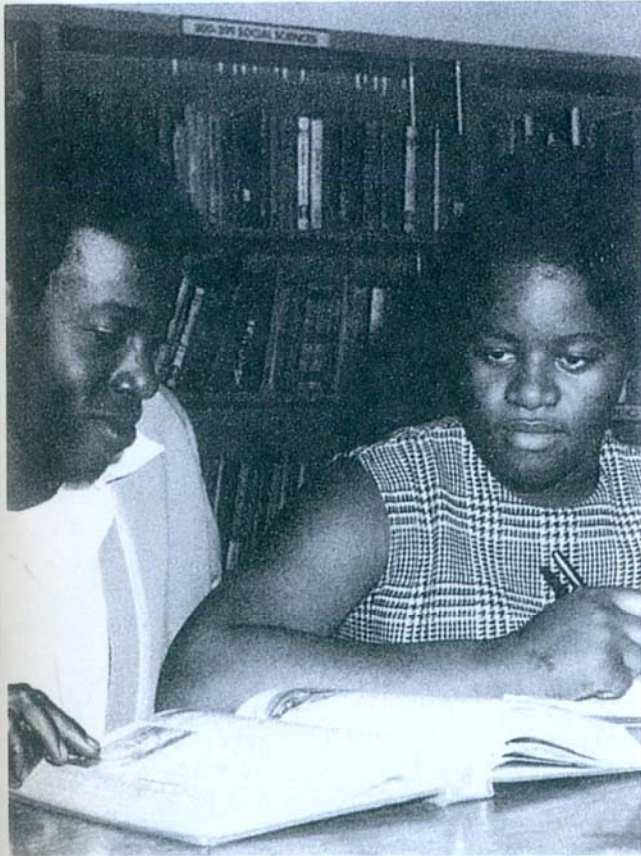
## THE SENIOR CLASS OF 69





# SUPERLATIVES

MOST STUDIOUS



Betty Wannamaker  
Jack Henderson

MOST COURTEOUS



Peggie Hill  
Thomas Littlejohn

MOST POPULAR



Mary Byrd  
Harold Davis

MOST DEPENDABLE



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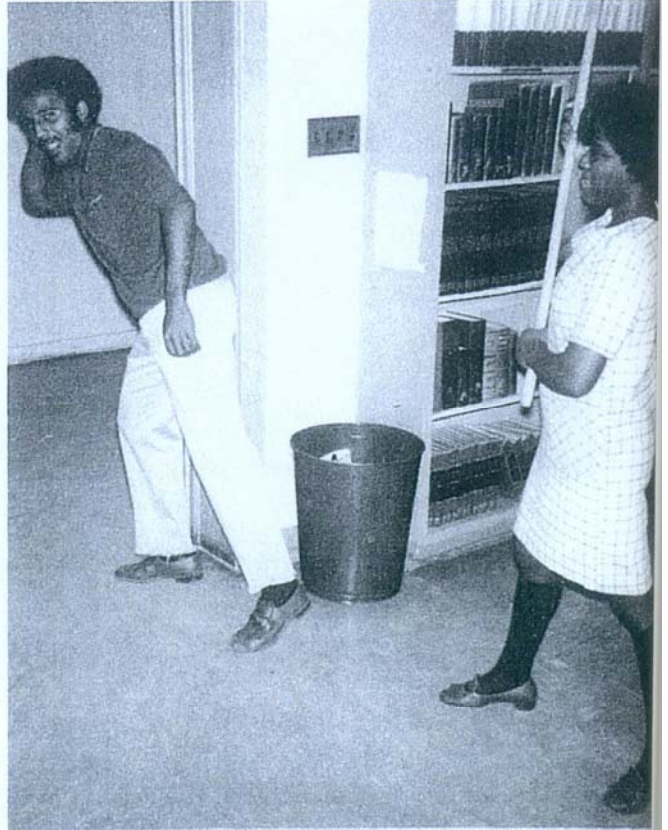
Rosemary Tracy  
Spurgeon Wilburn



# SUPERLATIVES

MOST COMICAL

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Nancy Foster  
Percy Hoey

Artis Dewberry  
Hazel Wannamaker

MOST TALENTED

BEST ATHLETE



Ruby Long  
Wallace Makupson

Willie Taylor  
Delphine Teamer



# SUPERLATIVES

MOST VERSATILE

MOST BUSINESSLIKE



Ethelene Brown  
Wallace Makupson, Jr.

MISS ANNUAL

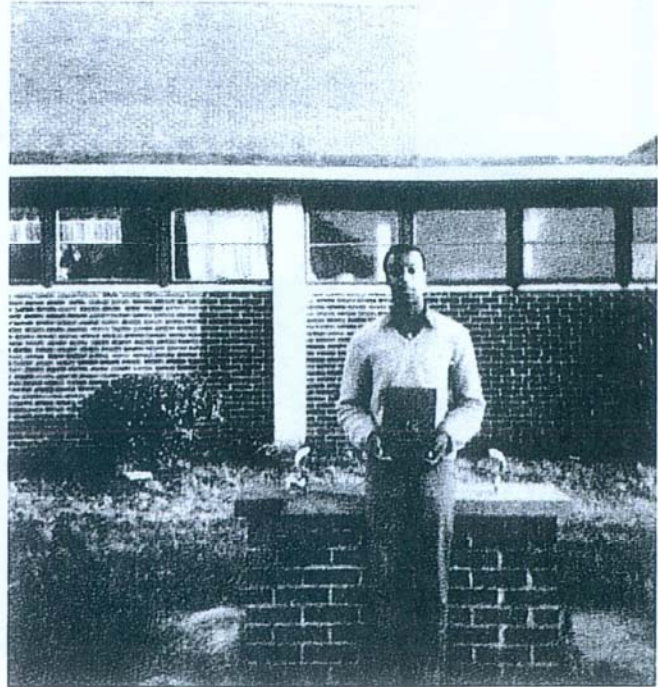


Thelma Gist  
Allen Gentry

MR. ANNUAL



Tallulah Byars



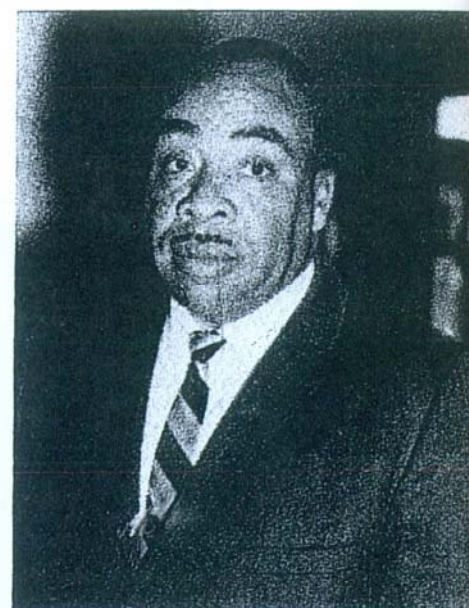
Allen Gentry



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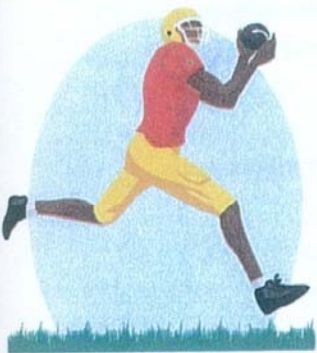
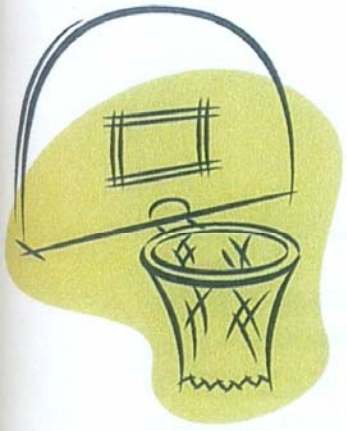


*Mrs. O. Smith, Mrs. V. Girger, Mrs. L. Littlejohn and Miss H. Rice.*





# *ATHLETICS*



# *SPORTS*



# THE LEGENDS OF THE GAME

## Mays High School Basketball

In the 1950's and 1960's, The Mays High School basketball program was one of the elite programs in the single A division of District 3. The program was started in the 1953-54 season by B.E. Mays' first principle and coach, Edward (Wes) Brown. Also assisting with the coaching duties that year was coach "Red" Dawkins.

The first co-captains of the girl's team were Ida B. Wilkins and Poniese Makupson with Wendell Brown and Robert Durrah serving as co-captains of the boy's team.

### B.E. Mays Girls Basketball

The 1953-54 basketball season was highlighted by the sparkling play of seniors Ida B. Wilkins, Carlotta Arthur and Poniese Makupson. The years 1955 through 1957, the team was led by the offensive play of Zonnie Wilkins and the defense was led by of Millie Russell.

In 1957-1958 the team was led by their star guard and captain Mamie Littlejohn. The offense was led by Ida B Johnson. The year 1959 saw the emergence of Annie "Slim" Jeter who was of one the top players in the conference. During the years of 1960 through 1961, the girl's team was led by Mamie Johnson, one of the top scorers in the school's history and "Sis" Curry who was the top defensive player in the conference.

The 1961-1962 team included the superb play of star guard and Co-captain Minnie Logan and the timely offensive playmaking of Carolyn Sue Dawkins. The 1963-64 team was led by All-Conference forward Brenda Kay Smith and the tenacious defense of Levator Logan and Zera Teamer. Pearl Smith showed her versatility as she played both the guard and forward positions.

In the 1964-65 season, the girl's team was led by co-captains Sandra Franks and Myrtle Wannamaker and the defensive play of Patricia Williams.

### Mays' Girls Dream Team

#### Forwards

Annie "Slim" Jeter  
Ida B. Johnson  
Mamie Johnson  
Brenda Smith  
Zonnie Wilkins

#### Guards

Mary "Sis" Curry  
Mamie Littlejohn  
Levator Logan  
Minnie Logan  
Millie Russell





### B. E. Mays Boys Basketball

Wendell Brown and Robert Durrah were the stars of the 1953-54 inaugural season. From 1955-1958, Little Ted Dover, Eddie Dean Oglesby, Boyce Durrah and Willie Whittenburg led the Panthers to winning seasons. The tandem of Jackie Dover and Rochelle Oglesby led the team to a winning season in 1958-59. In the 1959-60 season, the Panthers were led by co-captains Maxie Dover and Nathaniel "Skebo" Gist.

The 1961-62 team consisted of Clarence and Douglas Brackett, Coleman Dean Dawkins, Steady Carpenter and Marvin Simpson. That team was considered by many to be the most complete and most athletic team ever produced at Mays. Clarence Brackett set most of the school's scoring records that year while Coleman Dawkins, Douglas Brackett and Steady Carpenter made it difficult for the opposition to score in the paint.

In the 1963 and 64 seasons, the Panthers were led by co-captains Dennis McCollum and Gary "Monk" Russell with a supporting cast that included Sterling McCollum and Curtis Byrd. This team was runner-up in the Single A conference championship. The 1964-65 team was led by the triple threat of Sleeter Dover, Jimmy Gaffney and Quinion Dover.

### Mays Boys Dream Team

Clarence Brackett  
Coleman Dawkins  
L. T. Dover  
Maxie Dover  
Jackie Dover  
Boyce Durrah

Robert Durrah  
Dennis McCollum  
Eddie Dean Oglesby  
Rochelle Oglesby  
Willie Whittenburg  
James "Snake" Wilkins



The selection of the Boys and Girls Dream Team is solely the choices of the "Legends Selection Committee." The committee consisted of Lamont Carpenter, Sterling McCollum and Marion "Dooley" Miller who witnessed over 400 games played at Mays High School. The criteria was based on (1) two plus years as a starter, (2) outstanding achievement on the court based on research of newspaper articles from the Herald-Journal archives, and (3) must have graduated from Mays. In other words, these were the best in our opinion to play the game at Mays High School.





MAYS BOYS UP-STATE CHAMPS . . .

.. BUT GIRLS LOSE IN FINALS

The Mays High boys (top photo) won the State Class A Upper-State Championship but lost to Denmark 51-49 for the South Carolina Championship. The Mays girls (bottom photo) missed joining their mates in the state championship playoffs as they lost to Lexington 39-19 in upper-state play. The Mays lassies were conference champions. Boys, first row, from left: Charles Dawkins (manager in center), Bruce Durrah, Roy Logan, Joe Smith, Clemons Makupson, Bobby Dawkins, Boyce Durrah, captain. Standing, from left: Edgar Brown, Francis Logan, Rochel Oglby, William Russell, James Wilkins, Charles Wright, Eddie Dean Oglesby, co-captain. Girls, first row, from left: Barbara Dover, Helen McCracken, Patricia Wilson, Shirley Littlejohn. Back row, from left: Annie Jeter, co-captain; Ido B. Johnson, Barbara Jeffords, Mamie Logan, Mary Curry, Betty Mitchell and Mamie Littlejohn. (Photos by B&B Studio.)







*GIRLS' BASKETBALL TEAM*

*BOYS' BASKETBALL TEAM*







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# GIRLS' BASKETBALL TEAM



CO-CAPTAINS: Levator Logan and Pearl Smith. LEFT TO RIGHT: Miss D. J. Taylor, Coach; Barbara Caldwell, Trainer; Sandra Franks, Modestine Dawkins, Zera Teamer, Patricia Williams, Elaine McHam, Margaret Wilson, Brenda Smith, Myrtle Wannamaker, Bessie Tucker, Janice Wade, Clarice Mockabee, Scorer; Mr. Hagood, Assistant Coach.

# CHEERLEADERS



LEFT TO RIGHT: Perrin Knuckles, Vivian Dean Smith, Helen Jeter, Roberta Gist, Harriet Rice, Kendrick Anderson.

Wondrous is the strength of Cheerfulness and its power of endurance; especially after a sudden change in circumstances. Our cheerleaders cheer the team on to **116** other victory.



# GIRLS' BASKETBALL TEAM



KNEELING, Left to Right: Patricia Williams, Captains; Sandra Franks, Myrtle Wannamaker. STANDING: Mr. J. H. Lyle, Coach; Nancy Dawkins, Elaine McHam, Peggie Smith, Shirley Harris, Mary Oglesby, Judy Foster, LaVern Smith, Thelma Macomson, Angela Anderson, Judy Logan, Janice McBeth, Annie Hill, Georgianna Dawkins, John Smith, Statistician; Barbara Caldwell, Trainer; Clarice Mockabee, Scorekeeper.

# BOYS' BASKETBALL TEAM



STANDING — Left to Right: Michael Wannamaker, Trainer; Joseph Gist, Publicity Director; Loretto Mockabee, Statistician; Clarice Mockabee, Scorekeeper; Mr. J. H. Lyle, Coach. KNEELING: Kendrick Anderson, Don Wade, James Brown, James Hill, Quinion Dover, James Gaffney, Captain; Sleter Dover, Charles Littlejohn, Earl Byrd, Beauford Hardy, William Curry, Reginald Carpenter. FIRST ROW: James Russell, William Murphy, Eddie Gaffney.



# FOOTBALL TEAM



TOP: Left to right: Jackie Mitchell, Charles Buckson, James Henderson, Johnny Byrd, John Hoey, Eddie Byrd, Robert Hill, and Willie Byrd. SECOND ROW: Jack Henderson, Willie Taylor, Willie Mitchell, Willie McKissick, Van Maybin, Robert Johnson, Joe Hardy, Charles Palmer. FIRST ROW: Caesar Wannamaker, Coleman Curry, Harold Davis, Edward Bates, Booker Miller, Marvin Rhinehart, John Clowney, and Johnny Mitchell. Trainers: Larry Hardy, Willie Reid and Vernon Smith. Coach: Mr. Amazia McFadden.

# CHEERING SQUAD



Left to right: Alice McCluney, Alleen Entry, Evelyn West, Betty Wilkes.



# Boys' Basketball Team



**STANDING**, Left to Right: Mr. C. R. Littlejohn, Coach; Eddie Gaffney, Timekeeper; Lloyd Black, Publicity Director; Loretto Mockabee, Statistician; Bobby Hymes, Scorekeeper; Mr. A. H. Williams, Assistant Coach. **SEATED**: Jimmy Gaffney, Paul Reed, Quinion Dover, Lamont Carpenter, Don Wade, Gary Russell and Dennis McCollum, Captains; Paul Bates, Sleter Dover, Sterling McCollum, J. B. Smith, Roger Smith, John Buckson, Trainer. **NOT PICTURED**: Curtis Byrd, Billy Gray.

## Block "M"



**SEATING**, Left to Right: Loretto Mockabee, Vivian Smith, Sterling McCollum. **FIRST ROW**: Lloyd Black, John Buckson, John Smith, Dennis McCollum, Patricia Williams, Roger Smith, Clarice Mocabee, Sleter Dover. **SECOND ROW**: Robert Reed, James Brown, Rudolph Byars, Pearl Smith, James Hemphill, Will Curry, Yvonne Smith, Paul Reed. **THIRD ROW**: Robin Bailey, J. B. Smith, Bobby Hymes, Levator Logan, Perrin Knuckles, Zera Teamer, Robert Smith, Paul Bates, Gary Russell.



# CUB SCOUTS



Pack 290: Advisors, Mrs. L. C. Myers, and Mr. Joel Gaffney



# BLOCK "M" CLUB



Advisors: Mr. E. Skinner and Mr. A. McFadden.



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*Mr. A. McFadden, Mr. E. Skinner, & Mr. W. Hagood*

# FOOTBALL TEAM





# GIRL'S BASKETBALL TEAM



*Mr. W. Hagood, Coach*

# BOY'S BASKETBALL TEAM



*Mr. E. Skinner, Coach*



# GIRL'S BASKETBALL TEAM



Coach: J. E. Skinner

# CHEERING SQUAD



LEFT TO RIGHT: Jacquelyne Wilkins, Betty Wilkes, Alice McCluney, Francis Gist, Thelma Gist, CENTER: Allen Gentry.



# BASEBALL TEAM



LEFT TO RIGHT: L. Wannamaker, J. Mitchell, H. Davis, C. Palmer, B. Miller, M. Miller, E. Bates, C. Wannamaker and V. Maybin. BACK ROW: T. Hoey, M. Rhinehart, F. Hardy, R. Hill, B. Peeler, W. Reid, J. Clowney and J. Mitchell. Coach: Mr. A. MacFadden.

# TRACK TEAM



Coach: A. McFadden

LEFT TO RIGHT: Van Maybin, Cesar Wannamaker, Harold Davis, Willie Mitchell, Jackie Mitchell.



# BOYS' BASKETBALL TEAM



KNEELING: Trainer, Larry Hardy, Van Maybin, Edward Bates, Wallace Makupson, Donald Dover. Coach: Mr. Skinner, James Hemphill, Ceasar Wannamaker, Robert Johnson, Jackie Mitchell, Bruce Peeler, Henon Haywood, Marion Miller, John Hoey, Robert Hill, Willie Mitchell, Joe Littlejohn and Larry Peeler.

# GIRLS' BASKETBALL TEAM



Coach, Mr. E. Skinner; Statistician, Miss H. M. Stokes; and Brenda West, Trainer.



# BASEBALL TEAM



*Coach, Mr. A. McFadden; Statistician, Larry Peeler*

# TRACK TEAM



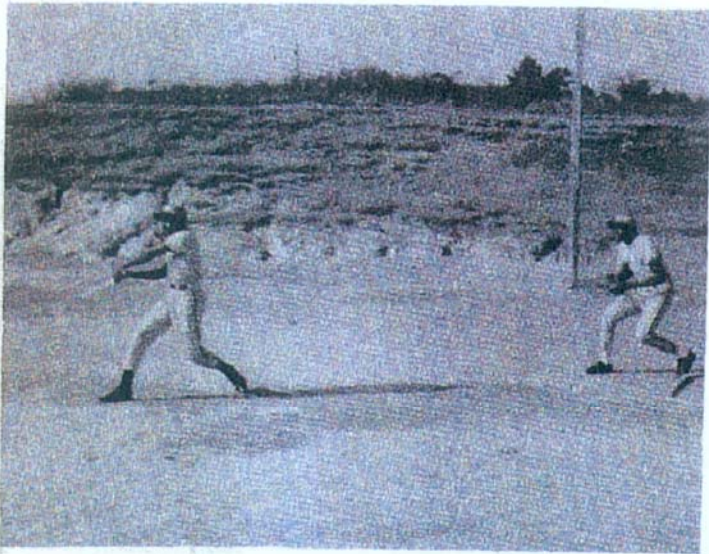
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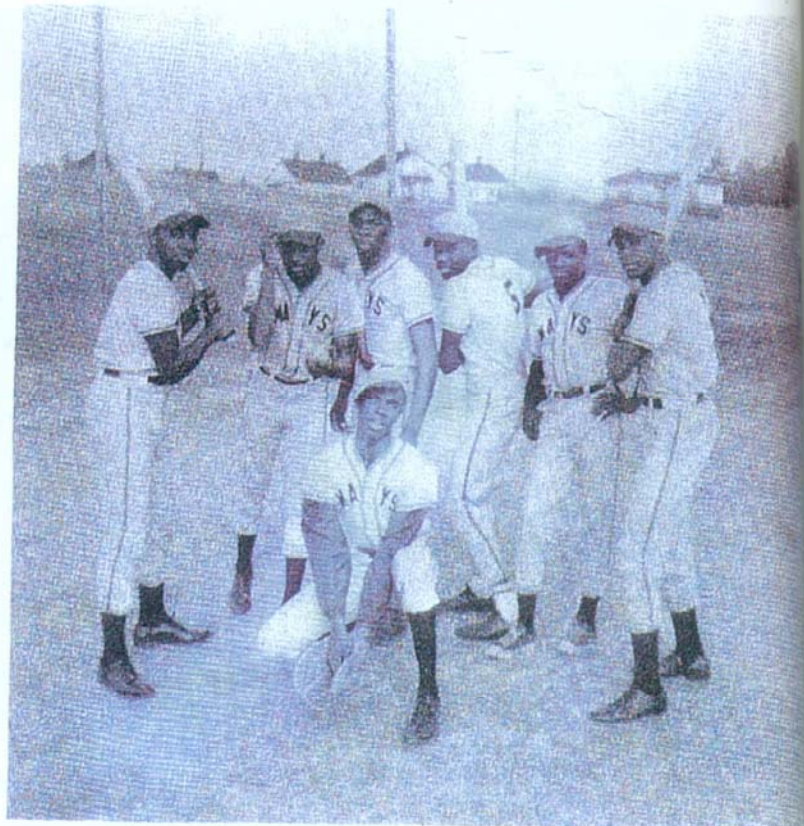
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STANDING, Left to Right: Mr. G. H. Lyle; Coach; Mr. W. G. Bailey, Assistant Coach; Kendrick Anderson, Steve Dover, James Knuckles, Theodore Reid, Michael Wanamaker, James Hemphill, Joseph Gist, Publicity Director; Donald Littlejohn, Scorekeeper; James Caffney, Loretto Mockabee, John Smith, Trainers. KNEELING: Robin Bailey, Bobby Mitchell, Rudolf Byars, Will Curry, Beauford Hardy, William Murphy, Marion Hardy, Wilbert Gist, Bat-boy.



William Curry and Bobby Mitchell

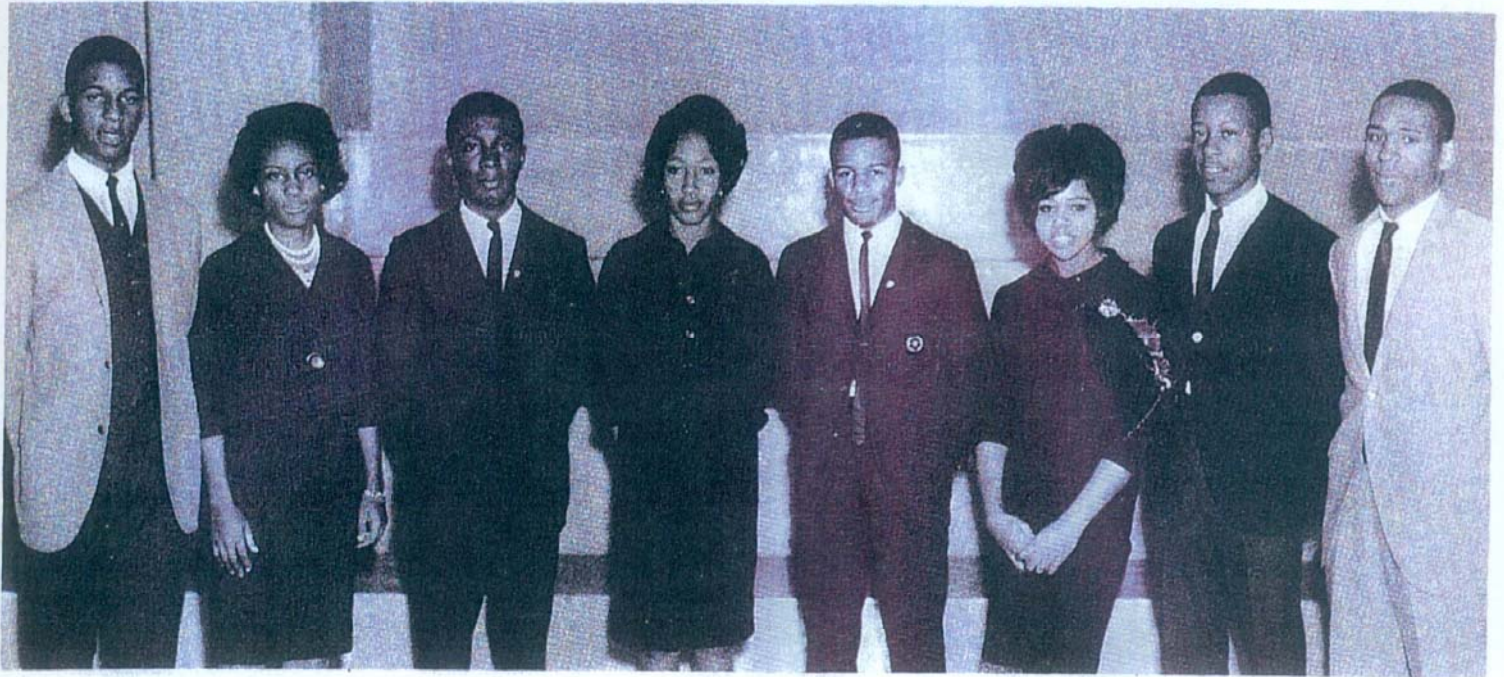


LEFT TO RIGHT: William Murphy, Perrin Knuckles, Lewis Gentry, Bobby Mitchell, Buford Hardy, William Curry. KNEELING: Kendrick Anderson.



# NEW HOMEMAKERS OF AMERICA

The New Homemakers of America trains active and efficient leaders among young women for home and community living.



OFFICERS: Jolene Martin, President; Tommie Hardy, Vice-President; Rosa Gaffney, Secretary; Brenda Dawkins, Assistant Secretary; Dorothy Tally, Treasurer; Nancy Dawkins, Chaplain; Betty Lewis, Reporter; Miss Johnson, Advisor.

## GUIDANCE COMMITTEE

The Guidance Department aims to help provide the best possible opportunity for maximum personal and social development. The guidance approach. Each teacher helps in rendering guidance services.



LEFT TO RIGHT: Sleter Dover, Clarice Mockabee, Tyrone Wheeler, Patricia Williams, Eddie Gaffney, Mary Rice, Carson Maccomsom, James Fitzpatrick.  
NOT PICTURED: Mrs. Myers, Advisor.



# BAND



Director, Mr. Rudolph Riley

# CHOIR



Director, Mr. Rudolph Riley



## Mays High Plans Basketball Teams

PACOLET—Mays High, with a brand new gym, will sponsor boys and girls' basketball teams this season, it has been announced by Coach Edward (Wes) Brown.

The boys' team will be called the Panthers. School colors are blue and gold.

Windell Brown, a senior, has been named captain of the Panthers with Bob Durrah, a junior, serving as co-captain.

Ida Bell Wilkins is the captain of the girls' team. Portise Makupson is co-captain.

Coach Brown, coming here from Cowpens Negro High will be assisted by Red Dawkins, formerly at Spartanburg County Training School.

The Panthers' first exhibition game will be against Bethlehem Center here Dec. 12.

## Mays Hi Takes Cage Twinbill

PACOLET MILLS.—Mays High swept a cage twinbill from Foster's Grove High here Tuesday night by a 69-47 boys score and a 31-14 girls margin.

Clarence Brackett popped in 34 points for the Mays boys while Turner had 14 for the losers. Mammie Johnson led the Mays girls with 18 while Means scored eight for Foster's Grove.

**Go Panthers!!!**

## Extra-Extra!

## Read All About It!



## Mays Cagers Win

PACOLET—Mays High's strong girls and boys cage teams swept their third straight double victory of the season here Friday night at the expense of New Bethel of Wopdruff.

The Mays boys won 52-33 as Maxie Dover bucketed 20 points and Clarence Brackett pumped in eight.

The Mays girls won a comeback 29-25 victory on the fourth period shooting of Tommie Murray.

## Mays Captures 2 Tilts at Gaffney

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Betty Gist tallied in the closing minutes to edge the girls home to victory. Willie Whittenburg tossed in the winning basket for the boys.

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MAYS	GRANARD
Wilkins 7	Jeffries 4
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Johnson 8	Harris 4
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Grenard subs: Moore & Camp 2.

## Mays Quint Opens Slate At Lincoln

PACOLET—The Mays High School basketball teams open their seasons Monday night at Fairforest against Lincoln High in a doubleheader.

The Panther squad, which won second berth in the District Three Tournament last season, will be led by Gary Russell and Dennis McCollum. Other lettermen returning to the starting lineup are Curtis Byrd and Sterling McCollum.

Coach Charles B. Littlejohn will count on rookies Billy Grey, Quinion Dover and Jimmy Gaffney for reserve strength.

The Mays High girls have four players returning from last year's squad. They are forwards Pearl and Brenda Smith and guards Levator Logan and Zera

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## Sims, Mays Split Pair

PACOLET—Mays High divided a basketball doubleheader with Sims High of Union here Friday night. The local lads won the opener 33-32 after the invading lassies had taken a prelim 40-37.

L. T. Dover turned in a 14-point night in pacing the Mays boys to their fourth victory of the season.

Annie Jeter was high-pointer for the local girls with 12.

Mays will travel to Sims for another twin bill next Tuesday night.



## Mays Host To Cowpens Tonight

PACOLET — The Mays High cagers will clash with Cowpens City Aces here Tuesday night in an exhibition basketball twin bill.

The girls' game will get under way at 7:30 and the boys' game will follow.

Probable starters for the local girls: Ida Bell Wilkins, Zonnie Wilkins and Betty Gist, forwards; Anole Wilkins, Maggie Shippy and Ponaise Macupson, guards.

Probable starters for the Mays' boys: Wendell Brown and L. T. Dover, forwards; Billy Shippy, center; William Tally and Robert Durrah, guards.

## Durrah, Wilkins Captain Mays' 1956-57 Cagers

PACOLET — Elections Wednesday at Mays High School here revealed that Boyce Durrah and Zonnie Wilkins will captain the school's 1956-57 basketball squads.

Durrah, a center, will lead the boys team, assisted by co-captain Eddie Dean Oglesby. Wilkins, a forward, is the girls captain. Millie Russell was named girls co-captain.

Members of the boys and girls cage teams took part in the balloting.

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## Mays Sets Back New Bethel High

WOODRUFF — Willie Whittenburg scored 11 points to pace the Mays High Panthers to a 48-30 triumph over New Bethel High's Bulldogs here Monday night in the headliner of a twin bill. Willie Lewis Gibbs of the Bulldogs was high scorer with 18 points. The Mays girls posted their eighth win in nine starts in the prelim 26-13. The Mays boys have the same record.

GIRLS' GAME		NEW BETHEL (13)	
MAYS (26)		Young 7	
F—Wilkins 10		Moats 7	
F—Tracy 7		Hickens 11	
F—McIntoney 10		Stephens	
G—Russ		Norman	
G—Russell		Dezapheried	
G—Latta John			
Mays subs: Jeter 1, Gist			

BOYS' GAME		NEW BETHEL (30)	
MAYS (48)		Gibbs 18	
F—Dover 9		June 3	
F—Whittenburg 11		Brown 3	
C—Durrah 10		R. Stephens 1	
G—Smith 8		J. Stephens 4	
G—Russell 10		J. Dorer, Sanders	
Mays subs: Fincher, J. Dorer, Sanders			
New Bethel subs: Thomas, Bennett, Massey, Spurgeon, Pool.			

## Mays Trims Bethune, 54-50

INMAN — Mays dropped Bethune, 54-50, as Jackie Mitchell netted 24 points for game high honors here Monday night.

Ronald McClain and Willie Lynch combined for 18 points apiece to pace the losers.

In the preliminary, the Bethune girls trampled over Mays, 48-6.

Boys' Game	
Mays (54) — Mitchell 24, Hill 21, Miller 4, Bates 4, Makulson 1, W. Mitchell, Smith	
Bethune (50) — Stacey 8, McClain 18, Lynch 18, Pearson 7, Macanson 4, Bryant	
Girls' Game	
Bethune (48) — Smith 13, Jackson 18, Woods 16, Woods 12, M. Pinyon Holcombe, E. Penson 7, Drummond, Nestell, Wolford, Landrum	
Mays (6) — Oglesby 4, B. Byers, Brown, Teamer, Jeter 2, Smith, Johnson, Butler	

## Carver Rips To 4th Win

PACOLET — The Carver High Tigers scored their fourth win of the season here Monday night, downing Mays, 90-50.

Willie Westley paced the unbeaten Tigers with 27 points while Jack Mitchell scored 29 for the losers. The Carver girls took a 45-26 win. Carver plays host to Bethune High Friday night.

Carver (90) — Westley 27, Miller 18, Gray 16, Brevlin 16, Jenkins 5, Balthus 4, Edwards 2	
Mays (50) — Byrd 4, Mitchell 29, Hill 7, Wannamaker 4, Bates 2, Mayo 1	
Girls Game	
Carver (45) — Fair 17, Clark 21, Taylor 1, Wilson, Miller, Walton	
Mays (26) — Oglesby 19, J. Smith 1, Buxton 2	

## Mays Triumphs In Double Bill

PACOLET—Eddie Dean (Shine) Oglesby poured 36 points into the baskets here Friday night to lead the Mays High boys in a 64-27 romp over Elizabeth Heights of Great Falls. In the prelim, the Mays girls atoned for an early season loss—their only one of the campaign—to Elizabeth Heights with a 30-22 victory.

GIRLS' GAME		MAYS (30)	
F—Reddick 1		Wilkins 8	
F—Harber 11		Tracy 11	
F—Coleman 8		McIntoney 10	
G—Wilmote		Knee	
G—Latta		Russell	
G—Coleman		Littlejohn	
Elizabeth Heights subs: Ford, Houser, Gary, Malone			

BOYS' GAME		MAYS (64)	
F—Holmes 9		L. Dover 18	
F—Young 4		F. Oglesby 36	
G—Gladden 8		Whittenburg 4	
G—Raulware 8		Durrah 8	
G—Young 6		Russell 2	
Elizabeth Heights subs: Hancock, Adams			
Mays subs: Fincher, R. Oglesby 3, J. Dover, N. Dover, J. Williams, Smith 1, Sanders			

## Florence Chapel Girls, Mays Boys Triumph

The Florence Chapel girls and Mays boys scored first round victories last night in the Spartanburg County Negro basketball tourney at Cherokee Springs.

Betty Phillips poured in 11 points to pace the Florence Chapel girls to a 23-19 verdict over the Fosters Grove lassies. Josy Tillison and Cyphonia Means each had seven for the losers.

Rochell Oglesby dropped in 18 points to spark Mays over the Fosters Grove boys by a 60-39 count. Also for Mays, Eddie Oglesby had 14 and James Wilkins 11. J. Y. Tillison and Audrey Gardner each chalked up 12 for the losers.





Jan. 17, 1964

May 4, 1964

## Mays Cagers Win

PACOLET — The Mays High cage teams defeated Bethune of Inman in both ends of a double-header here Thursday. The Mays girls won 33-8 and the Mays boys won 62-32. Pearl Smith was high scorer in the girls' game with 16 points. Sterling McCollum and Billy Gray scored 15 each in the boys' contest.

## Mays Boys Triumph

PACOLET — Bill Gray scored 18 points to lead the Mays High boys to a 55-44 victory over Foster's Grove High here Monday night. The Foster's Grove girls won the first game 38-28 with Cora Tanner leading the way with 17 points. Brenda Smith paced Mays with 12.

Jan. 16, 1965

## Mays Boys Triumph

PACOLET — Queenie Jones scored 22 points to lead New Bethel High of Woodruff to a 35-21 victory over the Mays High girls basketball team here Friday night. Margaret Wilson led Mays with seven. The Mays Boys retaliated with an 85-43 victory in the second game as Kendrick Anderson paved the way with 19 points. Frey Stephens led New Bethel with 20.



Jan. 21, 1965

## Prepsters Split

CHEROKEE SPRINGS — Foster's Grove and Mays High of Pacolet shared a basketball doubleheader here Friday. The Foster's Grove girls, behind the 23 - point shooting of Victoria Parks, raced to a 61-7 victory. The Mays boys won 76-44 as Jimmy Gaffney scored 26 points, Earl Wilkins paced the losers with 14.

Feb. 10, 1965

## Mays Splits Pair

PACOLET — Mays High defeated Roosevelt High of Clover 85-52 here Tuesday behind a 22-point effort of Reginald Carpenter.

Clover won the girls game 36-26.

Jan. 20, 1961

## Mays To Host Jefferson Hi

PACOLET MILLS — Mays High entertains Jefferson of York here Friday night starting at 7:30. Mamie Johnson will lead the Mays girls after their eighth win against one loss. Clarence Brackett will try to help the Mays boys win their sixth compared to two defeats.

## Mays Takes Two From Bethune

INMAN—Mays High of Pacolet scored a double-victory over Bethune here Friday night. Marie Johnson scored 14 points to lead the Mays girls to their eighth straight victory in the opening game. Maxie Dover and Charles Wood scored 12 each as the Mays boys took the second game 47-33. Ray Smith was high scorer for Bethune with 12.



# Mays High Takes League Twinbill

PACOLET MILLS — Mays High swept a twinbill her Friday night from Florence Chapel by a 52-38 boys score and a 32-13 girls margin.

Maxie Dover led the Mays boys to their seventh loop win in nine tries with 28 points. N. Rice had nine for Florence Chapel. Mamie Johnson with 16 and Patricia Wilson with 11 led the Mays girls to their ninth straight loop decision.

## Mays Wins Two

The Mays High boys defeated the Bethune High boys 47-34 Friday night. High scorers were Dennis McCollum, Curtis Byrd, Stirling McCollum, and Leon Wilburn of Mays, all with 10 points. Deshields was high for Bethune with 10.

In the girls game, Mays defeated Bethune 31-12. Pearl Smith was high for the game with 14 for the Mays team. Lucy Tinsley was high for Bethune with 11.

Feb. 10, 1961

## Mays Hi Splits

PACOLET MILLS — Mays High split a twinbill here Thursday night with Roosevelt, winning the girls game 26-19 and bowing 80-61 in the boys duel. Clarence Brackett scored 29 for the Mays boys and Mamie Johnson 19 for the Mays lassies.

Feb. 7, 1963

## Mays Wins Pair From Roosevelt

PACOLET — Mays High swept past Roosevelt High of Clover in a cage doubleheader here Wednesday night to thwart the Roosevelt boys from clinching the District Three title.

Sterling McCollum flipped in 12 points as Mays' boys took a 42-40 win and Brenda Smith sparked the lassies' 35-24 triumph with 22 points.

Feb. 15, 1963

## Lincoln Host To District Finals Tonight

PACOLET — The Foster's Grove girls and the Mays High boys gained berths in the District Three finals here Thursday night, with hard-earned semi-finals victories.

The Foster's Grove girls topped Florence Chapel 50-38 as Cora Tanner scored 20 points. Andrea Anderson of Florence was high for the game with 30 points.

Sterling McCollum plunked in two free throws with seven seconds remaining to give Mays a 50-49 victory over Bethune's boys. McCollum was also high scorer with 18 points. Shadow Jones scored 16 for Bethune.

District Three championship games for both Class A and Class AA will be played at Lincoln High at Forest today beginning at 5:30 p.m. The schedule, in order:

FEB 27, 1962

## Mays High Boys Ni Lincoln Five 50-49

PACOLET MILLS — The Mays High boys nipped Lincoln of Forest 50-49 in the final game of a basketball triple-header here Friday. Clarence Brackett of Mays and Otis Shippey of Lincoln shared scoring honors with 20 each.

Josephine Ferguson scored 19 points to lead the Lincoln girls to a 33-30 victory. Brenda Smith scored 27 of the loser's points. The Mays junior varsity beat the Explorer Scouts from Cowpens 30-20.

Herald-Journal - Feb 19, 1965  
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## Tournament Finals Today

PACOLET — The Foster's Grove girls and the Mays High boys won District Three tournament games Thursday night and move into today's finals.

Beulah Lyles scored 20 points in leading the Foster's Grove girls to a 51-31 victory over Mays while Jimmy Gaffney's 18-point performance sparked the Mays boys to an 88-49 win over Foster's Grove.

The tournament's Class A and AA division finals will be held at the Lincoln gym at Forest today.

In the Class A bracket, the Foster's Grove and New Bethune girls will meet at 5:45 p. m. and the Mays boys will tangle with George Fish at 7:15.

The Lincoln and Washington High of Greenville girls will open the AA finals at 8:10 to be followed by the Washington and Jefferson High of York boys.



# Foster's Grove Sweeps Two

Foster's Grove swept a doubleheader from Mays High Monday night, the boys taking a 69-52 win and the girls scoring a 45-16 victory.

John Irby with 20 paced the winners and Robert Hill with 21 for Mays was the game's high scorer.

Foster's Grove 69, Mays 52

Foster's Grove (49) — Burgess 17, L. Burgess 6, Parker 14, Irby 20, Hawkins 5, Miller 3, Gardner 2.  
Mays (62) — Mitchell 15, Hill 24, Miller 2, Bates 7, Maybins 14, W. Mitchell, Macobson, J. Bates.

Girls Game

Lincoln shaded Mays, 48-16, in a game played at Pacolet. Harvey Barton led Lincoln with 16 points, while Edward Bates of Mays took game honors with 22 points.

Lincoln 48, Mays 16

Lincoln (48) — Barton 16, Dover 6, Wideman 4, Conly 8, Williams 4, Boyce 2, Harris 4, Smith 4.

Mays (16) — Whiteside 8, Hardy 3, Bates 22, Mickelson 4, Thomas 5.

Girls' Game

Lincoln (39) — Clewney 13, Bomer 4, Boyce 5, Anderson 16, Wingo.

Mays (12) — Smith 4, Jeter 13, Johnson 7, Byers, Rogers, Tanager.

Herald-Journal - Apr. 27, 1966 [Browse all newspapers »](#)

## Sims Blasts Mays 13-3

UNION — Sims High School smashed Mays of Pacolet 13-3 here Wednesday to win the District Three baseball crown.

William Tucker paved the way for Sims, cracking a home-run, triple and double in four trips to the plate.

Richard Dawkins was the winning pitcher. Dawkins held Mays to three hits and fanned nine.

The win gives Sims an 8-0 season mark.

**BASEBALL**

Herald-Journal - Nov 15, 1967 [Browse all newspapers »](#)

## Mays Plays For Title

The Mays High Panthers of Pacolet play for the upper state Class A football championship tonight at 7:30 in a game against Rosenwald High at Lexington.

The Panthers were 5-2-1 overall this season and went 3-0 in their class A games. Rosenwald is the defending upper state Class A champion.

Mays coach Amzia McFadden said earlier this week, "It should be a tough game but we are looking forward to it."

The starting offensive lineup for the Panthers will be Robert Johnson at quarterback, Willie Mitchell and Cecil Wannamaker at halfbacks and Van Maybitt at fullback.

In the line, Leslie Wannamaker and Jackie Mitchell will be at ends, Willie Byrd and Eddie Byrd at tackles, Charles Buckson and Joe Hardy at guards with Willie Taylor alternating at guard and Robert Hill at center.

**FOOTBALL**

Jan. 14, 1970

FOSTERS GROVE 74, MAYS 33

Mays (33) — McKendrick 6, Foster 4, Hartell 12, Bates 16, Nicholson 14, Palmer 2.

Foster's Grove (74) — Dodd 12, Carlson 14, Robinson 20, Landrum 12, Hemmhill 4, Porter 3, Freeman 4, Williams 2, McDowell 3.

GIRLS' GAME

Mays (11) — Byers 1, Geter 3, Johnson 6, Rogers 2, Teamer Smith, Brown, Littlejohn.

Foster's Grove (17) — Hawkins 3, L. Hawkins 5, J. Hawkins 3, Martin, Rogers, Twitty, Dodd, McKlansy, Fowler, Lewis, Laws.

Jayvee game: Foster's Grove 49, Mays 13.



## Read All About It!

Panthers as printed in the

Spartanburg Herald Journal

Feb. 2, 1962

### Mays Cogers Win

PACOLET — Mays took both ends of a basketball double-header from New Bethel of Woodruff Thursday night with the girls winning 28-11 and the boys copping a 39-46 victory. Brenda Smith and Pearl Smith scored 16 and 12 points respectively to lead the Mays girls. Quennie Jones scored all 11 for New Bethel. Clarence Brackett scored 21 for the Mays boys. William Durham led the losers with 18.

Feb. 27, 1962

### Mays High Boys Nip Lincoln Five 50-49

PACOLET MILLS — The Mays High boys nipped Lincoln of Fairforest 50-49 in the final game of a basketball triple-header here Friday. Clarence Brackett of Mays and Otis Shippey of Lincoln shared scoring honors with 29 each.

Josephine Ferguson scored 17 points to lead the Lincoln girls to a 33-30 victory. Brenda Smith scored 27 of the loser's points. The Mays junior varsity beat the Explorer Scouts from Cowpens 38-29.

PACOLET — Foster's Grove and Mays High divided a basketball double-header here Tuesday night with the Mays girls winning 28-14 and the Foster's Grove boys coming back for a 54-30 triumph in overtime. Leading the Mays girls was Brenda Smith with 29 points. Johnny Jackson and Luther Wilkins shared honors for Foster's Grove in the boys game with 14 points each. Clarence Brackett scored 15 for Mays.

### Mays Boys Triumph

PACOLET — Quennie Jones scored 22 points to lead New Bethel High of Woodruff to a 35-21 victory over the Mays High girls basketball team here Friday night. Margaret Wilson led Mays with seven. The Mays Boys retaliated with an 85-48 victory in the second game as Kendrick Anderson paved the way with 19 points. Frey Stephens led New Bethel with 20.

Feb. 3, 1962

### Mays Wins Two

PACOLET — Mays High won a doubleheader from George Fish High of Fort Mill Friday night. The girls won 32-17 as Brenda Smith tossed in 21 points and the boys were led to their 70-50 triumph by Clarence Brackett with 41 points.

### Mays Boys Defeat Florence Chapel

PACOLET — The Mays High boys defeated Florence Chapel 49-45 here Friday night behind the 26-point shooting of Dennis McCollum. The Mays attack was too much for a Florence Chapel five led by Choice Murray who had 16 points.

The Florence girls won 35-30 in the opening game. Andrena Anderson led the winners with 24 points. Arlene Davis scored 12 to pace Mays.



# Memories





*Greetings,*

*As we enter into the final formal celebration of our days at Mays High School we are reminiscing about the wonderful times that we shared with each other. This celebration will become a part of the great legacy that our school has lived up to. Closure to such a dynasty will never be felt in our hearts because the memories will linger forever. Even though we will not be attending reunions in the future, we will cherish memories of days past. They will never be forgotten because of what we learned while we were students at this great institution. The fellowship we shared with school mates, teachers and friends will be carved into our fondest memoirs.*

*I encourage all of you to remember these three strengths: 1. the capacity to share 2. continued friendships, and 3. the longing to help human beings by giving them hope in any way possible.*

*Our vision for the future is that we will continue sharing with each other after these events are penned into history.*

*Coy Smith Mobley  
Class of 1954*





## REMEMBERING MAYS



Let's journey down memory lane, the years of 1954 – 1959. There are some good memories and some disappointments. I remember some of my teachers McFadden, E.W. Brown, Ervin C. Dawkins, William Bethea, Jr. and Susie G. T. Ellis who I thought was tough and mean. Maybe that's why I excelled in the classroom, finishing 4th in my Senior Class of only 20 students. I felt very proud of myself. Mrs. Goodwin taught English and her favorite saying was "I got mine now you get yours." Some of my classmates still stand out in my mind Smith, Dover, Dawkins, Durrah, Gist and Willie Whittenburg just to name a few.

I loved playing basketball and softball. My mind tells me I can still play but my body tells me different. Coach Brown and Dawkins were tough but still good coaches. It felt great to win a game in the gym that would be packed with family and friends and would still support us even when we lost. "We are the Mays High Panthers" and "We shall Be Panthers Forever."

One thing I will never forget is in my junior year when WSPA sponsored a contest "I speak for Democracy." I entered the contest along with 10 other students and we had to compete on our school level and the winner went on to compete until the finals. The rules were to write a speech 10 minutes long. Yes, I won and won again. I was a student body officer and secretary of my senior class. Now most of all, I remember working hard at everything I did and really enjoyed my years at B.E. Mays. So the lesson to be learned from this is "work hard at everything you attempt to do and you will always REMEMBER."

Millie Doris Russell Anderson

Class of 57



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# 1955-56 Sr. Class Senior Trip Washington, DC



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| 2. Earl Rice                      | 10. Jannie Hopkins                 |
| 3. Daisy B. Gault                 | 11. Kay F. Durrah - Deceased       |
| 4. Geneva Hopkins                 | 12. Betty Gentry                   |
| 5. Janie B. Littlejohn            | 13. Benjamin Sanders, Jr.          |
| 6. Carolyn Gentry                 | 14. Clyde Makupson, Jr. - Deceased |
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| 8. F. R. Giles - Teacher          |                                    |



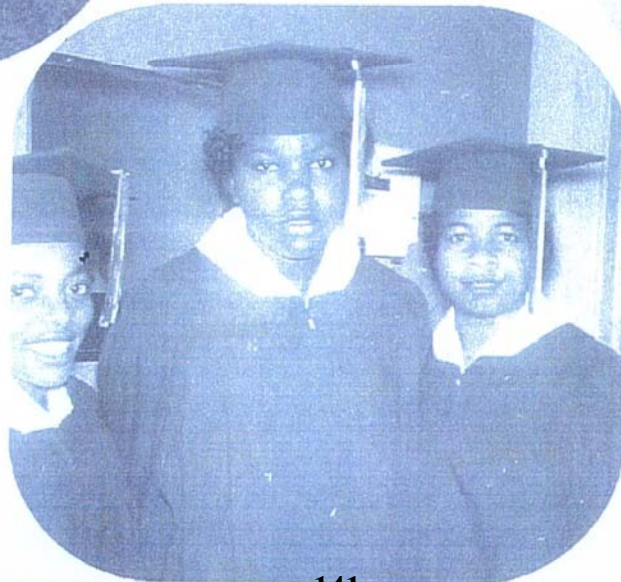
# Memories



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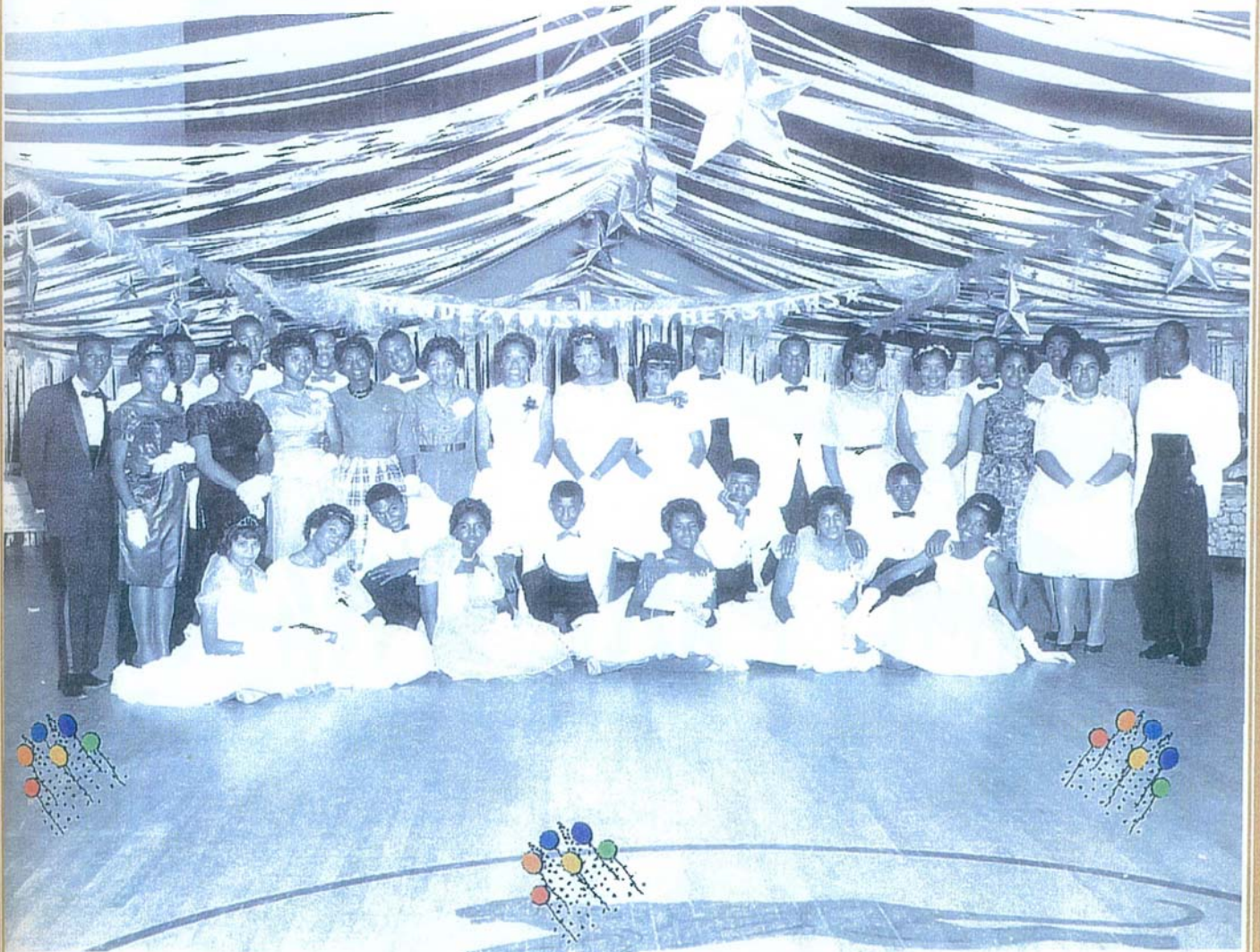


**PLAY  
DAYS**





*Memories  
Class of '62*



*We Danced The Night Away!*



*Memories  
of the  
Class of 1966*



**Come Party With Us!**





# Memories Class of '64



Senior Prom - Theme: "A Tropical Island"



Band - The Ambassadors



Class Flower - Carnation



Class Play - "The Case of the Missing Heirs"



Class Colors: Pink and White



Class Song - "Those Precious Words"



Spring Ball - May 1, 1964 Theme: "Tender Is the Night"



## PROPHECY FOR THE CLASS OF 1964

It was mid July, 1980. I Vivian D. Smith, Society Columnist for the London Herald Tribune, arranged for my vacation. After considering many possibilities I concluded that the United States would be the ideal place; after all I would like to renew old acquaintances.

I called the London Airport to make reservations, and was connected with the Director of Tours. I was astonished at the sound of the pleasant and familiar voice of Bernice Makupson. During our brief chat she informed me that Roger Smith had received the Rhodes Scholarship, and is pursuing courses of study leading to a Doctoral Degree in Political Science at Cambridge University.

I found it necessary to do some last minute shopping in Paris. To my surprise, who, but Erlean and Brenda Smith, the proud owners of "Bon Bon Che" Dress Shop, were doing an elaborate business in styling.

With all necessary arrangements having been made, I returned to London where I met John Buckson and Lamont Carpenter. They are Air Force Pilots stationed at Wethersfield Air Force Base. I boarded the luxurious jet airliner, destination, U.S.A. Soon I was awakened from a deep sleep, hearing the soft voice of Linda Oglesby, the stewardess saying, "Will you please fasten your seat belts? We are about to land."

At the airport one of the efficient and courteous drivers of the J.B. Smith Jet Car Service took me to my temporary living quarters in Manhattan. Later that evening I dined at Gary Russell's "Cabana Inn," an exclusive night club; I was treated most graciously. The next morning, on a visit to the Waldorf Astoria. I ran into Levator Logan in the lobby. She informed me that she is a Spanish and French interpreter at the U.N. She told me that the McCollum boys, Sterling and Dennis are partners-at-law, and that their offices are located on Madison Avenue.

After having a wonderful time in New York City I departed for Florida. As planned, I stopped in Pacolet, South Carolina to say hello to my old friends and classmates. I was surprised to learn that Charlie McBeth is now Principal of our former Alma Mater, Benjamin E. Mays Consolidated School. While walking down main street I ran into Albert Jeter; he looked quite distinguished in his police uniform. I was happy to learn from him that the ultra-modern building across the street housed the offices of Thelma Prysock, a dentist and Deloris Smith, a pediatrician. It was certainly a rewarding experience to find my friends doing so well.

I resumed my trip to Florida. Upon my arrival in Miami I met Zera Teamer, Secretary to the Major, Bobby Hymes. She told me that Lloyd Black is employed by Kraft Corporation as a commercial artist. A tour of Cape Kennedy was the highlight of my trip. Scientists there had perfected space travel to the point of exploring the moon at will. A celebration for Astronauts Jimmy Makupson and Paul Bates was in progress. Covering the event were reporters Modestine Dawkins and Pearl Smith. It was truly evident that the words of encouragement from our faculty during our high school days were well taken by every member of our class.

A brief and comfortable trip across the Atlantic brought me safely back to the London Airport. The United States had afforded many experiences well worth remembering.



## *LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT FOR THE CLASS OF 1968*

These are the Last Wills and Testaments from each member of the Senior Class, it is hoped that the Wills and Testaments will not offend anyone and each Will and Testament will be accepted in a sense of humor, and some for encouragements to those who are in need.

Thus, we, the Senior Class, hereby will and bequeath you the following Last Wills and Testaments.

- I, Uzee Brown, will my knowledge and sanity to Jackie Mitchell.
- I, Eddie Byrd, will my looks and my football ability to Robert Hill.
- I, Dennis Byrd, will my good looks and my handsome beard to Willie Mitchell.
- I, Elisus Byars, will to John Clowney my hair and looks.
- I, Willie Byrd, will my coolness on the basketball court to Jackie Mitchell.
- I, Ruby Davis, will to Margie Prysock my dynamic measurements of 36-22-36, and gorgeous legs.
- I, Alma Dewberry, will my face and hair to Brenda West.
- I, Judy Foster, will Julia Wilkins my ability to play a clarinet and Cynthia Hardy, my figure.
- I, Joe Hardy, will my talent of being a lover to Lawrence Byrd. I, James Henderson, will Willie McKissick my ability to use cheap psychology on the girls.
- I, Andrew Hill, will to Ray Sims my ability to come to school on time and my sturdy hand to Fred Curry.
- I, John Hoey, will my hidden talent to Robert Hill.
- I, Martha Johnson, will to Mary Kelly my beautiful brown eyes and lovely height.
- I, Robert Johnson, will my sense to co-operation to Gerald Bates.
- I, Joe Littlejohn, will my ability to get more than one girl to Fred Curry.
- I, Judy Littlejohn, will Georgianna Dawkins, my hair, figure and personality.
- I, Bennie Long, will my excess fat to Julia Wilkins.
- I, Josephine Lowrance, will my hair and pleasing personality to Martha McCollum.
- I, Ray Makupson, will Gerald Bates my horn and library work.
- I, Vickey McCracken, will my ability to dress and my beautiful brown eyes to Cynthia Gaffney and also my eye-catching hair styles to Margie Prysock.
- I, Diana Mings, will to Mary Oglesby my 5 ½ feet and most of all my dynamic figure.
- I, Henry Mitchell, will my hair styles to Marvin Rhinehart.
- I, Mae Frances Murphy, will Julie Wilkins my ability to get boys without running after them and my bow legs and beautiful teeth.
- I, Judy Oglesby, will my personality to Viola Buckson.
- I, Nettie Palmer, will my personality to Cynthia Hardy.
- I, Reuben Teamer, will to all boys in the coming class my know-how to get the girls.
- I, Judy Tucker, will my typing ability to Martha McCollum and my eyes to Linda Dawkins
- I, Evelyn West, will my face, hair, and legs to Cynthia Hardy.



## 1969 CLASS HISTORY

On August 29, 1966, a group of thirty-eight ninth graders left their different homes and schools and came to Benjamin E. Mays Consolidated School to further their education

The group was greeted by a hand of welcome and placed under the guidance of Miss E.M. Lowman and Miss S.A. Wise. In a week or so they had been sectioned off. Many prepared themselves and participated in various activities and became active members of the student council.

The year ended and thirty-five entered the Sophomore Class in August, 1967. The class regretted the loss of several students, but those that remained put on their thinking caps and became more determined to climb a little higher. Their advisor was Mrs. Lowman Jones. On the Student Council were Brenda West and Larry Peeler. The Honor Roll was made by several students.

Their eagerness remained and they were more determined, therefore, in 1968, they became juniors. This year the advisors were Mrs. L. Myers and Mr. R. Riley. This year was the year to entertain the seniors. The class did this in a big way. The seniors and their escorts danced by the music of the Professors from Spartanburg, South Carolina. A dance was given by some of the juniors in the honor of the seniors.

The class was now a part of the band, choir, and other extra curricular activities. Many boys were members of the basketball, football, track and baseball teams. Some members were eligible for the Honor Society.

The school year 1967-68 ended and twenty-nine became seniors with advisors Mrs. Thomas and Mr. Riley. Brenda West became President of the Student Council. We selected our officers: President; Larry Peeler, Vice-President; Mildred Murphy, Secretary; Cynthia Gaffney, Treasure; Mary Oglesby, Business Manager; Fred Curry, and Chaplain; Jesse Byrd, III.

The writer could not mention each historical event but nevertheless, as she writes, history continues as Victory draws near.

*HISTORIAN*

*Brenda West*





## MY DAYS AT MAYS

*I, Bessie Butler, am writing to say that my experience at Benjamin E. Mays High School was a wonderful one. My clerical training such as typing and shorthand has allowed me to maintain my current position. I also enjoyed participating in sports at the school. I really enjoyed playing basketball and softball. I appreciate the principal and the dedication of the teachers to educating the students.*

*I really appreciate the opportunity to reminisce with all of my friends and classmates. To the B.E. Mays Reunion Committee, I would like to give you the highest praise for all that you do.*

*Bessie Tucker Butler  
Class of 1966*



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# Best Wishes to The Benjamin E. Mays Reunion!

*Shortly after graduation, I relocated to Mt. Airy, Pennsylvania where I enrolled in Philadelphia Community College and graduated with an Associate Degree in Mental Health. I then enrolled in La Salle University and graduated with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Sociology/Criminal Justice. I continued my education by enrolling in Cheyney University and graduated with a Masters Degree in Social Administration and Adult Education.*

*I continued my education while working as a Mental Health Counselor, housing Co-ordinator and Social Worker. Finally I retired as a Program Director from the Juvenile Justice Center in Germantown, Pennsylvania. That position required me to be responsible for providing services to 350 families on a daily basis.*

*Mrs. Lois Bailey Ishmael is a mother, grandmother and great grandmother. She resides in Roebuck, SC with her husband, Charles.*

## Lois Bailey Ishmael



**BA Degree - Sociology, LaSalle University**

**MA Degree - Education, Cheyney University**





*Best Wishes  
for a  
Successful B.E. Mays 2011 School Reunion*

*James P. Knuckles  
(Class of 1965)*



*My Vision: "The tragedy of life doesn't lie in not reaching your goal.  
The tragedy lies in having no goal to reach."*

*- Benjamin Elijah Mays*



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Doing it The Right Way...**

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# 'DOING IT THE RIGHT WAY'

Greetings from the desk of James Perrin Knuckles.

"A strong root system furnishes nourishment for a flourishing tree." Like a tree, after graduation, every student branched out into all fields of endeavor. Our years at B.E. Mays influenced that direction and growth.

I remember it as if it were yesterday. It was at graduation, May 1965. My name was called and I walked across the stage to receive my diploma. It was the moment that I had been waiting for but I also knew that I had just barely made it through high school. To succeed in life, I knew that I had to have a vision. That vision was to one day own my own company.

Twenty one years later K&S Sanitation Service, Inc. was started on April 15, 1986 in Charlotte, NC. The founder and president of the company was James P. Knuckles. The company was started with a vision, pickup truck and a driver. The very first subscription was a subdivision that consisted of 50 homeowners. They were so pleased with the service that they referred other homeowners to K&S to service their refuse.

Excellent service the first year provided K&S with over 500 customers. During that time I realized that "One man's trash is another man's treasure." Twenty Five years later the company has grown and is still growing with a record number of contracts. K&S was a subcontractor for BFI for the city of Charlotte for 6 years and the Contractor for the city of Tega Cay, SC for 8 years.

Dedication: We are dedicated to our customers and want every homeowner and unit owner to know that we take pride in our customer satisfaction. "Doing It the Right Way." There is no job too big or too small for us. We pride ourselves on being the best company that we can be. We make sure that each owner is satisfied with the service that we provide. Without our customers we wouldn't exist and we want our customers to know that we thank them for being a customer. We also work hand in hand with many management companies to give customers the service that they have become accustomed to.

Being the Best: Being in the sanitation industry, we are known for more than hauling refuse. We are known for standing by our word. We mean what we say and our company represents honesty. We are a member of the Better Business Bureau and we believe in equality. We make sure that every job is done, no matter how late or early we have to do it. We keep our modern equipment well maintained. Our drivers are trained to handle our equipment in a safe manner. We make sure that we are doing our job safely to avoid damage as well as leaving customers property as we find it. We also have a recycling program as well as an excellent customer service that is to satisfy our customers every need.

In the Future: We plan to extend our services to more cities in the surrounding Charlotte areas. This will also create more employment opportunities. We currently service Charlotte-Mecklenburg, Cabarrus County, Fort Mill, SC and Lancaster, SC counties. We feel it is important to learn and grow in this business because no two jobs are ever the same.

Years later I had the opportunity to meet Mr. Monson Owens, one of my former teachers from B. E. Mays. We shook hands, and with a smile, he said, "I hear you are doing good things in Charlotte."

I have been a mentor to five companies and those who have stayed on the path have continued to thrive and be successful. During my twenty five years of service, I have learned to listen with an understanding mind, have a patient heart and talk with a civil tongue.

"We, today, stand on the shoulders of our predecessors who have gone on before us. We, as their successors, must catch the torch of freedom and liberty passed on to us by our ancestors; we cannot lose in this battle."



Best Wishes,

*James Knuckles*



# Perrin Knuckles' TOYS



**Cadillac Escalade XLT, Mercedes S500, BMW 750I and SSR Chevy**



# Congratulations from Roy Logan (class of '60)

My name is Roy Logan. I attended Benjamin E. Mays High School and graduated with the class of 1960. After I received my diploma, I got married and went to work in the textiles immediately. I became a supervisor at Primaknit and worked there for 20 years. I also became the father of two beautiful children during this time. Primaknit closed down and I went to work at Sunbelt Container and attended Spartanburg Technical College to get certified to become a pre-waste water technician. I pre-treated waste water for Spartanburg Water, Sanitary & Sewer District. I became a Master Mason at the age of 39 and I joined the Shriners at the age of 41. I retired at 62 and later decided to get into local politics at the age of 68. In 2008, I became the 1st African American Town-Council member for the town of Cowpens. At the age of 69, I became the Wishful Master Masonic Lodge #479.

I am very committed to my town and have made great strides to improve my community. I work on various committees to try to help improve the quality of life for the minority population of Cowpens that includes senior citizens, African Americans, and Hispanics. I feel very fortunate and blessed to be able to help the people in my community, and I couldn't have done it without the great education that I received while attending school at Benjamin E. Mays High School.



Roy Logan was sworn in as the first African-American member of the Cowpens Town Council May, 2008.





# Congratulations

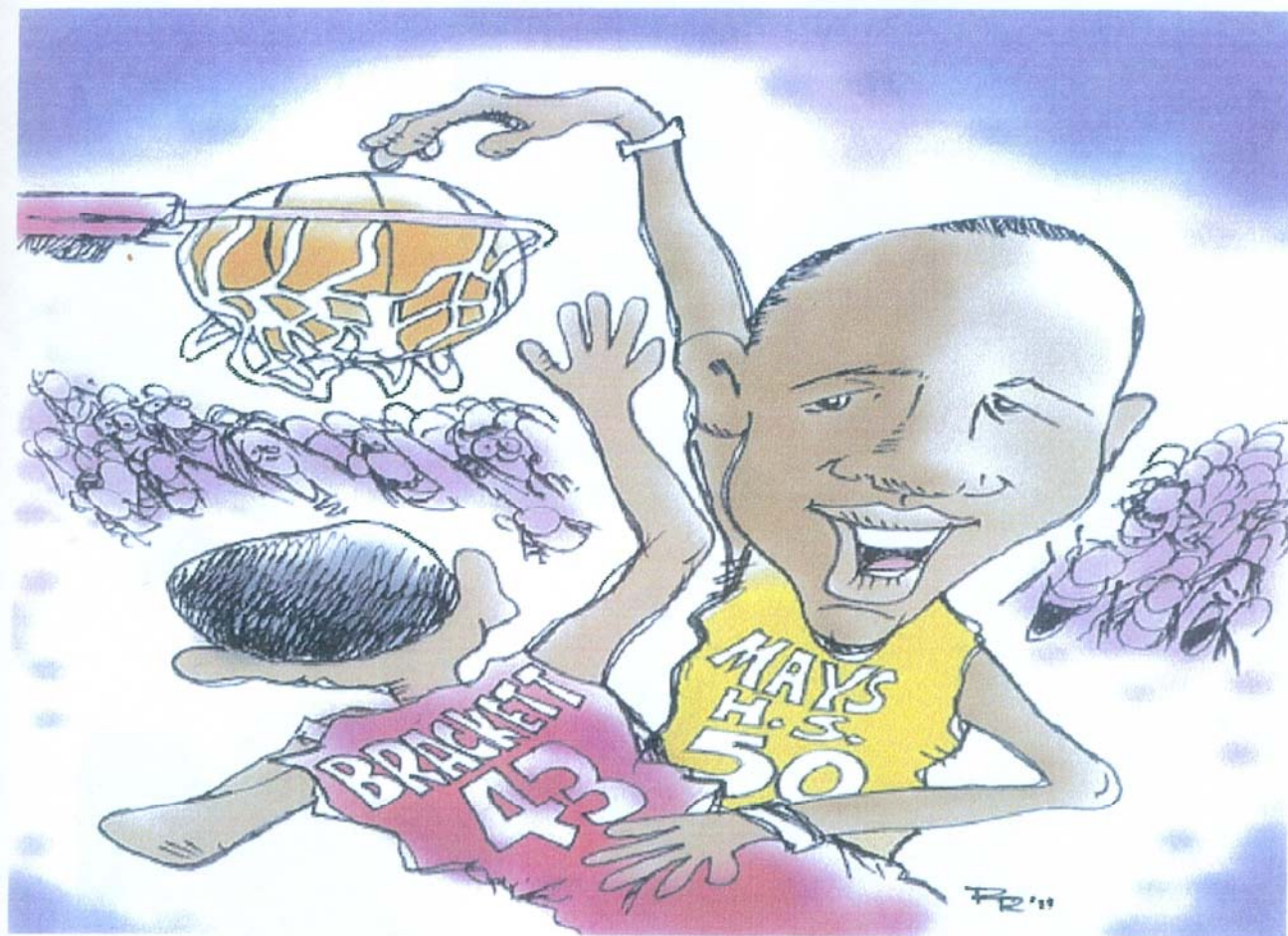
## Benjamin E. Mays on another successful Reunion Mr. Clarence Brackett - Class of "62"



### Twelve Known Facts About Clarence Brackett

1. #43 on the basketball team and one of the best players.
2. Scored 43 points in one game against York High School. (He holds the record for total points and assists in Mays High History).
3. Dated the best looking lady at B.E. Mays, a woman who still puts him under a spell.
4. Adores his children, Ryan and Ashley, and would be lost without them.
5. Has worked in maintenance for 44 years.
6. Is the ideal handy man.
7. Will be retiring this year but still needs to keep busy. Call him!
8. Can party all night and dance until dawn.
9. Walks at least 4 miles 4 days a week with his buddy, Lamont Carpenter.
10. Maintains a positive attitude and has an infectious laugh that makes people feel welcome.
11. Keeps his yard perfect (It's been the gathering spot for generations of people.)
12. Sterling McCollum always wanted to be like Me and is still trying.





*"Clarence Brackett, you were the man back in the day but this one is for you.....*

*IN YOUR FACE!!!!!! How you like me now?"*

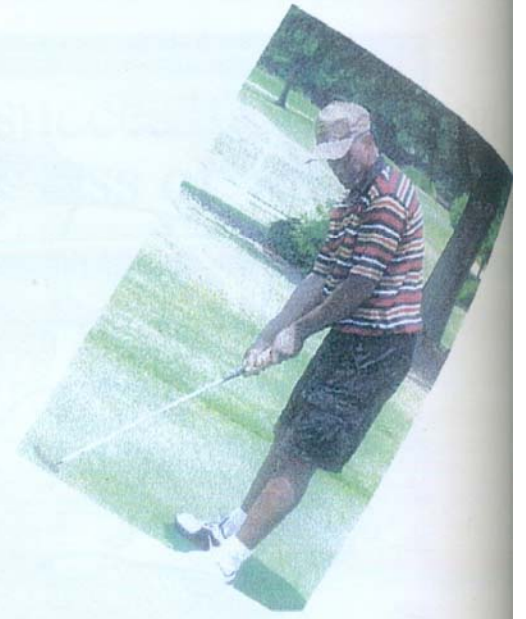
*. . . . .Sterling McCollum #50*

*Class of 1964*

*IN HONOR OF THE STUDENTS WHO WORE  
THE MAROON & GOLD AT OUR DEAR OLD ALMA MATER  
BENJAMIN E. MAYS HIGH SCHOOL*

*Sterling McCollum*





**Sterling McCollum**

**Dooley Miller**

**Lamont Carpenter**

**THE MAYS HIGH  
BIG 3**

**Lamont Carpenter, Sterling McCollum & Dooley Miller**

**THE GREATEST GOLFERS TO ATTEND MAYS HIGH SCHOOL**





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*Louise - Class of '62*  
*Wallace - Class of '64*



*"To God Be the Glory!"*

*Go Panthers*

*Mr. & Mrs. Wallace and Louise Maybin- Williams*



*Louvenia Johnson Porter - Class of '64*



*Peggy Mitchell Moore - Class of '59*

*Best Wishes*  
*to the*  
*Benjamin E. Mays*  
*Consolidated School*  
*Final Reunion!*

*I attended South Carolina Area Trade School in Denmark, South Carolina to become a cosmetologist. I have worked in a doctor's office as a nurses' assistant, Pentex and for Charles Lea Center. I am a member of Pleasant View United Methodist Church and a member of the Methodist Women. I also helped with Meals on Wheels..*





*L. to R. Walter, Doris, Sterling: seated Louise McCollum*

*Congratulations to all former students of B.E. Mays on your final school reunion. I have nothing but fond memories of all the activities I shared with my children while they attended B.E. Mays. I remember their first day attending Mays through their march down the aisle at graduation. The school certainly provided the nurturing and educational foundation to help mold their lives. My late husband and I were proud that Walter Jr., Doris and Sterling were part of the B.E. Mays legacy.*

*Louise McCollum*



*Throughout the years, I've had mountains to climb. I've survived illnesses and the walk through the shadow of death. I've had successes and failures, but my two greatest achievements through it all, has been raising my handsome son, Clarence Ryan, and beautiful daughter, Kathryn Ashley. They are my legacies. Both are the daughter and son any parent would be proud to have. Each of them shares souls of compassion and benevolence for others, and at the end of the day, that's all God requires from everyone.*

*Proud mother,  
Elaine Williams Brackett*





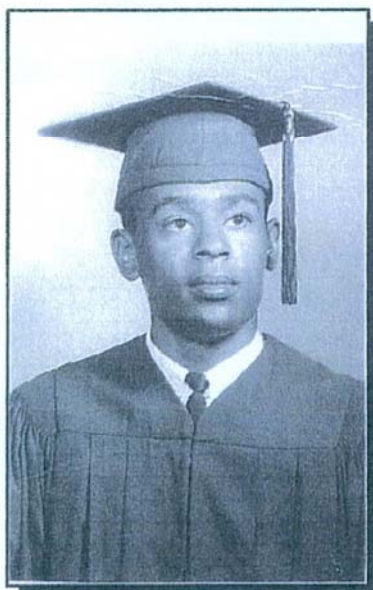
*Dedicated To  
The Bailey Family  
By Mrs. Lois Bailey Ishmael*



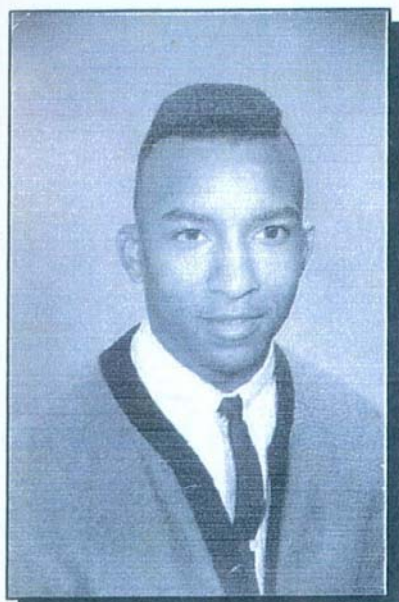
Mr. & Mrs. Willie George Bailey  
(Deceased)



Eula Faye Bailey Mallery  
Class of 1961  
Retired: White Plains,  
NY School District - 2009



Willie George Bailey, Jr  
Class of 1964



Robin David Bailey (Deceased)  
Class of 1966



Beverly Bailey (Deceased)



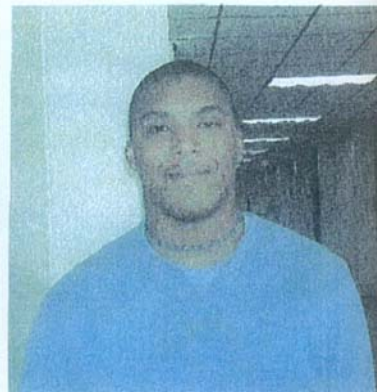
*Dedicated To  
My Girls, Son-in-Laws  
and Grandchildren*



Carol & Mark Taylor



Terrell



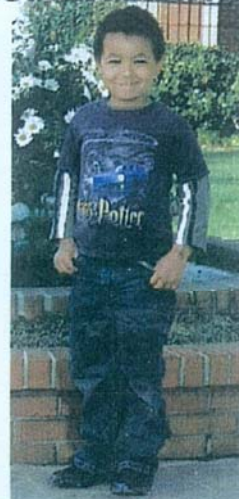
Gavin Anderson



Keith & Cynthia Davis



Tadji



Sammy



Jeff & Arlene Edney



Lydia  
"Little Cooter"

Your Mom and Granny,  
Levator Logan Williams



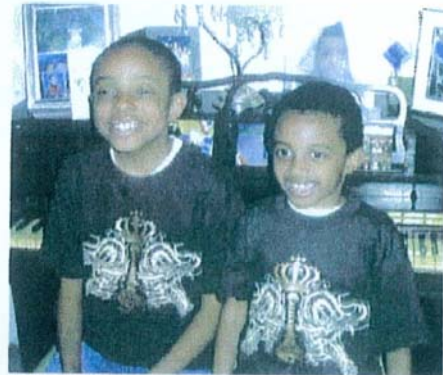
*One Generation will commend your works to another, they will tell of  
your mighty acts: Psalm 145:4*

*Praise God for His faithfulness through out our Generation! As we celebrate and share the legacy of Benjamin E. Mays High School; we give thanks for God's faithfulness and His blessings. As I recall my years at Benjamin E. Mays, I remember friends, teachers, and many life experiences that have made a difference in my life. One of my fondest memories, however, is my feeling of awe as our school bus approached the school for the very first time. I couldn't have imagined a building so beautiful - a building that I would call home for the next six years (I came to B.E. Mays in the 7th grade). One of my most unforgettable memories however, is the day I actually met Dr. Mays, a day that reinforced the concept that we could indeed become who we wanted to be - a day that reinforced the concept that said we could dare to dream our world. May God continue to bless us and may we always be found faithful to this legacy.*

*Sylvia Y. Williams - Fields, MA Lay Pastor  
Glenville New Life Community Church, PSUSA  
Cleveland, OH*



*George and his wife - Dawn & Sylvia*



*Grandchildren - Cameron and Dylan*

*Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.*

*ΔΣΘ*



*In Memory Of*



*Inell McKissick Goggins*

*We Love You!*

*Your Sisters and Brothers*

*Mrs. Cynthia Yvonne  
Gaffney House*



*Graduate - Class of 1969*

*Resident of Louisville, KY*

*Married to Ronald L. House Sr.*

*(40 Years)*

*They have five (5) children three (3) girls  
and two (2) boys; and seven (7) grand  
children.*



*Thanks for the wonderful  
memories  
Grandma! We love you!  
Jordan and Lisa*

*One of my fondest memories at B.E.  
Mays was our 1959 Prom. The  
theme was, "The Satellite Ball" which  
came from Project Mercury that was  
initiated in 1958 and started NASA  
down the path of human space  
exploration with missions designed to  
discover if man could survive in  
space. My next memory was our  
Senior Trip to Washington, DC.*

*Dorothy Smith Pruitt  
Class of 1959*



# Dedicated to My Wife - Patricia McBeth Logan - Class of 66

This page is dedicated to my friend, my classmate, my wife (soul mate) Patricia A. McBeth Logan. To me she was one out of a million, chance of a life time waiting there for just for me. There has never been a mountain too high or a valley too wide that our Father in heaven didn't allow us to climb or cross. May God always remain within us and keep guiding us through all trials and tribulations that we may face to help make a solid foundation for our family members.



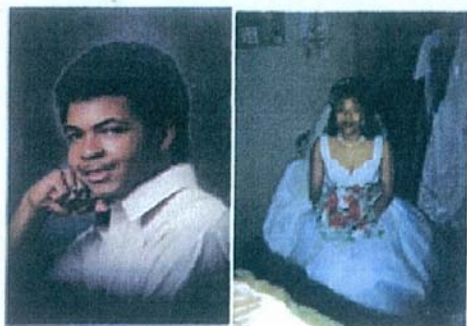
Class Senior Prom



Hawaii



Orlando Florida 2009



Our kids- Darren & Stephanie



Darren's Family - wife Courtaney  
Daughter Sydney & Son Darren Scott



Stephanie's Family  
Husband Apositle Darryell Swinson  
Two Sons, Joshua & Khemyha