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■ *Dr. and Mrs. Daniel R. Grant*

# OUACHITA!

## EMERITUS AWARDS

### Dr. Daniel R. Grant, President Emeritus

Dr. Daniel R. Grant, who will retire August 31 as president of Ouachita, was named President Emeritus during commencement exercises Saturday, May 7, in the Sturgis Physical Education Center.

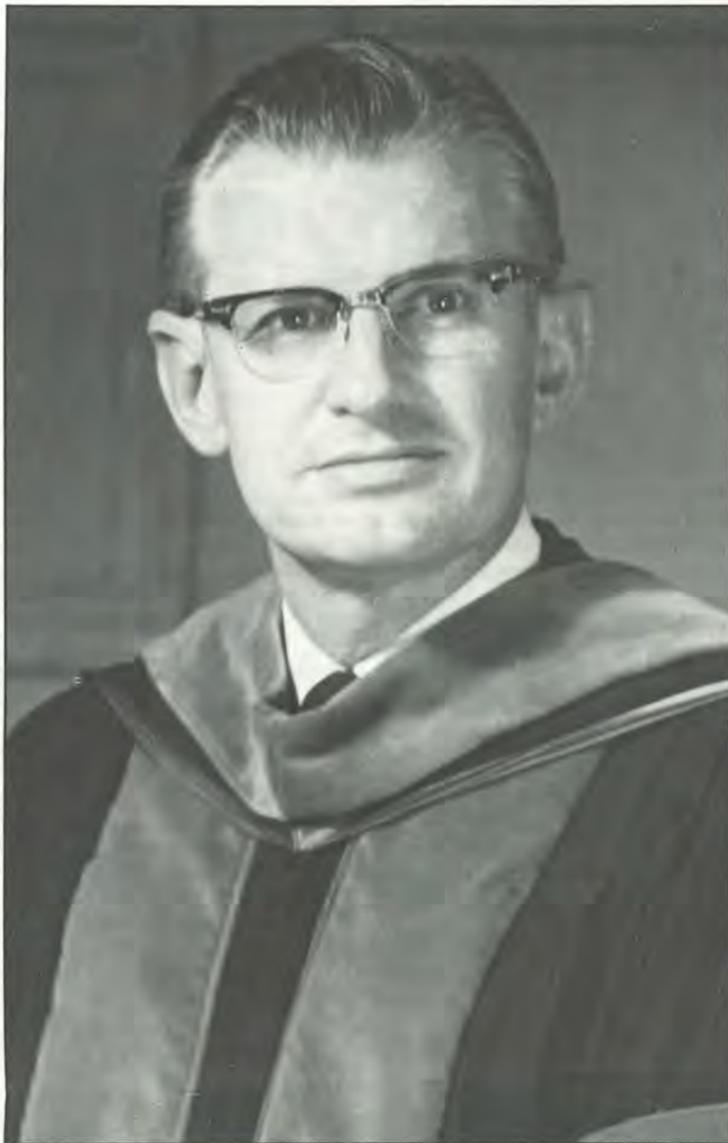
Dr. Grant, who became president of OBU in 1970, received the award from William H. "Buddy" Sutton, chairman of Ouachita's Board of Trustees and a partner in the Little Rock law firm of Friday, Eldredge and Clark.

The title of "president emeritus" was presented to Dr. Grant, Sutton said, "in recognition of more than 18 years of dedicated service as president of Ouachita Baptist University." During this time, he said, Dr. Grant "has been primarily responsible for:

- enhancing the quality of the academic program;
- promoting positive relations with Ouachita's many constituencies;
- stabilizing and strengthening the university's financial resources;
- providing for significant expansion and beautification of the campus;
- and for encouraging a genuine commitment to the Christian purposes for which this institution was founded."

Dr. Daniel Grant, who is a graduate of Ouachita, received his M.A. degree from the University of Alabama in 1946 and the Ph.D. degree from Northwestern University in 1948.

His father, Dr. J. R. Grant, was president of Ouachita from 1933 until 1949.



■ Dr. Daniel R. Grant (left) at the time of his inauguration in 1970. Delivering his inaugural address in October 1970 (top), he called for a new commitment to academic and Christian excellence. During commencement ceremonies this May (bottom), he was presented with a President Emeritus award from Board Chairman William H. "Buddy" Sutton.

## Daniel in the lion's den

*From bad times to the best of times, Dr. Daniel R. Grant has fulfilled the commitment made in 1970 to academic and Christian excellence*

By William D. Downs Jr.

It's a story Dan Grant likes to tell, and it always gets a laugh.

Back in 1969, he begins, when he was trying to choose between remaining at wealthy, prestigious Vanderbilt University in Nashville or becoming president of Ouachita, he asked in prayer whether the Lord would accompany him to Arkadelphia.

"I'll go with you, Daniel," the Lord is said to have replied, "but only as far as Memphis."

As usual, the Lord did have a point: 1970 marked one of the worst times in history for Arkansas Baptists in general and for Ouachita in particular.

Increasingly bitter discord, for example, marked the usually harmonious relationships within the Arkansas Baptist State Convention. And at Ouachita, enrollment was declining, the school faced a \$200,000 operating deficit from the previous year with a similar deficit forecast for the year ahead, campus buildings were badly in need of repair or replacement, faculty salaries were far below the state average, and faculty morale had plummeted to near zero.

As if that were not enough, a regional accrediting association had scheduled a visit to investigate internal governance and the school's relationship with the denomination.

But after all, the Grant family does love a challenge.

That was why his father, Dr. J. R. Grant, had accepted the presidency of Ouachita in 1933 when the school was on the verge of disappearing into the depths of the Great Depression.

By the time he retired 16 years later, the elder Dr. Grant had led the school to once again achieving a measure of financial stability.

**As one of his Vanderbilt colleagues put it, Grant's decision to accept the Ouachita presidency was based on three things: "God, father and alma mater."**

The lessons were not lost on his son. After all, Dan Grant had literally grown up on the Ouachita campus, where he was to later meet and marry his campus sweetheart, Betty Jo Oliver. It was also during those lean years that he had listened to his father tell the family about how the school had managed to stay alive for at least another day or so.

*Deja vu.*

As comfortable as he was in his 21st year as professor of political science at Vanderbilt, Dan Grant knew that this was the *one* job offer he couldn't refuse.

"Ultimately," he said recently, "it was a strong sense of God's call, but, from a human standpoint, I was greatly influenced by the tug of my father's experience at Ouachita, my Ouachita student memories and a

growing awareness of the moral crisis in higher education."

As one of his Vanderbilt colleagues put it, Grant's decision to accept the Ouachita presidency was based on three things: "God, father and alma mater."

It was a good decision.

This August, at the age of 65, Dan Grant will retire. What he has accomplished during the past 18 years was summarized by OBU Board Chairman William H. "Buddy" Sutton this spring, when he announced during commencement that Dr. Grant had been named "President Emeritus."

As president, Sutton said, Dr. Grant has been primarily responsible for:

- enhancing the quality of Ouachita's academic program;
- promoting positive relations with Ouachita's many constituencies;
- stabilizing and strengthening the university's financial resources;
- providing for significant expansion and beautification of the campus;
- and for encouraging a genuine commitment to the Christian purposes for which the school was founded.

It wasn't easy.

Taking over as president in February 1970, Grant was aware that before he could make any significant progress in strengthening Ouachita, he first had to find a way to restore harmony between the school and the Arkansas Baptist State Convention. What had happened between the two was occurring throughout the nation: Church-related colleges and universi-

ties were either exclusively emphasizing academic concerns and drifting away from their Christian purposes, leaving little evidence among faculty or students that the Christian dimension was taken seriously, or schools were so narrowly sectarian in their church relationship that they seemed to be intended primarily for pre-seminary training.

Convinced, however, that *both* interests — academic and Christian — could and should coexist, Grant announced in his inaugural address that Ouachita was to base its entire program on a standard that would be on "the cutting edge" of Christian higher education: a renewed commitment to both academic and Christian excellence.

Simple yet brilliant, it was an easily remembered concept that was immediately accepted by tough-minded professors who demanded academic freedom and by equally tough-minded pastors and laymen who believed that Christianity should be at the heart of all that was taught at Ouachita.

To make it possible for the dual commitment to academic and Christian excellence to work, Grant was quick to recognize that his primary responsibility as president would be to serve as a two-way communicator: interpreting the legitimate concerns of the academic community to the leadership of Arkansas Baptists and interpreting the legitimate concerns of Arkansas Baptists to the Ouachita academic community.

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### Dr. Victor Oliver, Professor Emeritus

Dr. Victor L. Oliver, who has served as chairman of the Department of Biology since 1966, was awarded Professor Emeritus status on Commencement Day, May 7.

After receiving his bachelor of arts degree from Ouachita in 1949, he earned the master of arts degree in 1950 from George Peabody College and the doctor of philosophy degree in 1961 from the University of Alabama.

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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Not to be taken for GRANTED

by Dr. Wesley Kluck, M.D.  
President, Former Student Association

I can still remember back to February 1970 in my Arkadelphia High School English class when a thin, blonde-headed teenage boy joined our class for the first time. I had never met him, and I knew nothing about him. I later heard that Ross was the son of the new president of Ouachita Baptist University. This was my first of many encounters with the Dan Grant family. Three years later I entered the freshman class of 1973 at OBU along with Ross Grant. During my four years at Ouachita, I developed a deep sense of respect for Dr. Daniel R. Grant. He and Dr. Ben Elrod were very influential on my life and my future. While at Ouachita I watched very closely as Dr. Grant strongly encouraged the formation of a new campus organization which they were going to call the Ouachita Student Foundation. His vision for this organization has obviously come true. Also while at OBU, I watched as another vision of Dr. Grant began — this was the first building in the campus megastructure being completed. It was an exciting day when we first stepped foot into Evans Student Center. Soon there were other additions: Lile Hall, Mabee Fine Arts, McClellan Hall, the Ravine Bridge, renovated A. U. Williams field and Eddie Blackmon Field-house all while I was in college.

As I entered my senior year and began my effort to enter medical school, Dr. Grant was very helpful by writing a letter of recommenda-

tion. In 1977, after graduating from Ouachita, I left Arkadelphia for seven years during my medical training. While away I kept close contact with Ouachita and Dr. Grant. I observed his very keen awareness of the need for strengthening Ouachita through a strong faculty, a strong student body, a strong Christian and academic tradition, a strong athletic program, a strong endowment and financial support system and a strong student recruitment program.

In 1984 I returned to Arkadelphia and continued to work with Dan Grant in his Centennial Planning Committee and as a member of the Former Students Association Advisory Board. His vision had grown into expanding Ouachita into a worldwide institution. This later became a reality and not just a dream. Now, as President of the FSA, I have continued my relationship with Dr. Grant and his visions for Ouachita.

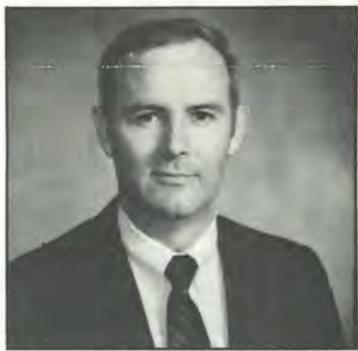
Later this year, Dan and Betty Jo Grant will be leaving the role of presidency of OBU after a long but healthy 18 years. Many people will miss them and all of their work, but their dreams are still living on campus through faculty, students and buildings. I, for one, will never take any of those things for GRANTED, because I personally have seen the dedication, dreams and hard work of the man who made them possible. We will all miss Dr. and Mrs. Grant, but we will be reminded of them daily on campus as we see the fruits of their work.

Three graduates receive internships in dietetics

Three Ouachita students have received dietetic internship appointments to the University of Arkansas Medical Sciences and Veterans Administration Internship program at Little Rock, according to Verna Baker, instructor in home economics at OBU.

Those receiving appointments are Charlotte Christie Davis, Tammy Keaster and Beth Polo. Ouachita placed three students in the 14 positions that were open. Approximately 100 applications were processed. "For OBU to get three slots is a real honor to the students and to the school as well," commented Baker. "These are exceptional students and the type of students we attract in the dietetics program at OBU. These girls have worked hard and certainly deserve this honor they have received," she added.

The students will begin a 10-month program in the fall. After completing the program, they will take the national registration exam to complete the requirements as a registered dietitian.



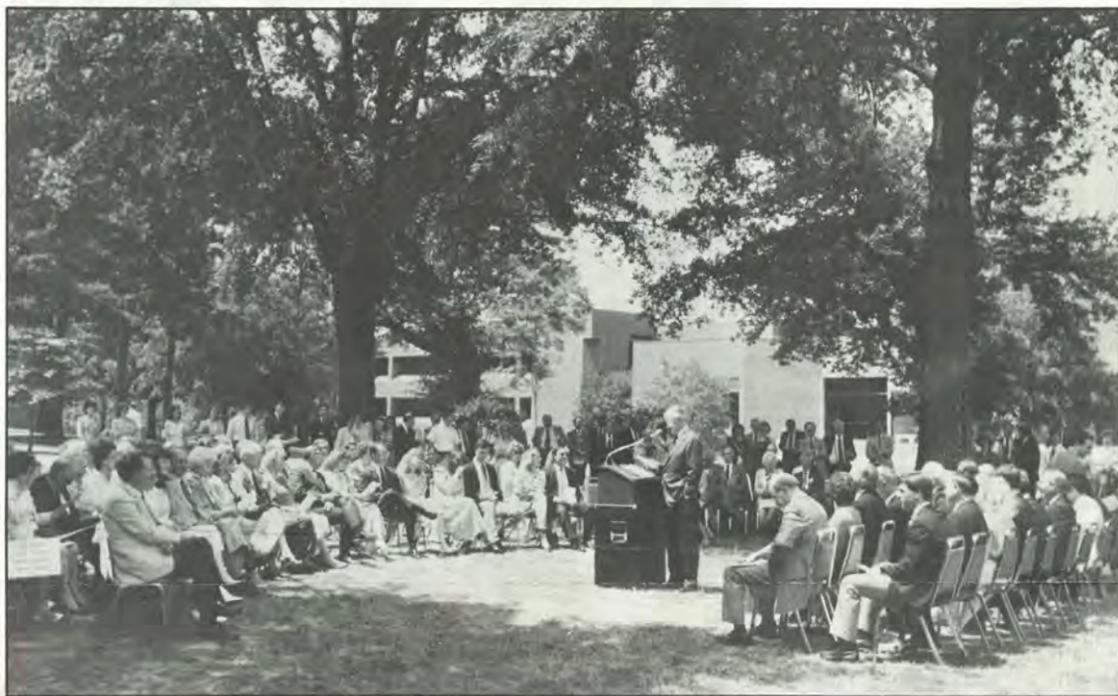
Harrod leaves OBU to become officer with TCBY Systems

Roger Harrod, vice president for development at OBU since November 1980, resigned in March to accept the position of vice president for franchise development with TCBY Systems, Inc., of Little Rock.

In accepting the resignation, President Daniel R. Grant said, "Roger Harrod has made outstanding contributions to Ouachita's development program, and so has Frank Hickingbotham, his new employer. Several years ago, Roger made a personal commitment to stay with Ouachita through our Centennial celebration, so I feel fortunate that we had him for the additional year and a half."



R. A. "Brick" Lile Hall (above) will adjoin Lile Hall, which was named in honor of his father, John G. Lile. Dr. Daniel R. Grant (below) presided over ground-breaking ceremonies for the new building on Commencement Day, May 7.



Ground broken May 7 for R. A. 'Brick' Lile Hall, campaign launched to raise \$1.25 million in gifts

Ground was broken at Ouachita on commencement day, May 7, for R. A. "Brick" Lile Hall, named in memory of one of Arkansas' most distinguished business leaders and a member of the Class of 1927.

The new building will house the departments of English, history, math and computer science and modern foreign languages. Adjoining John G. Lile Hall, dedicated in 1973 in memory of Mr. Lile's father, the project will complete the five-building "megastructure" envisioned in the campus master plan announced in 1971.

Dr. Daniel R. Grant, who will retire in August as president, said, "It is with great sentiment that I view the start of the final bricks-and-mortar project of my tenure at Ouachita. I

am especially pleased that this building will bear the name of one who loved Ouachita so dearly."

Co-chairmen of the campaign to achieve the \$1.25 million needed for construction, furnishings and endowment for maintenance are Little Rock business executives Hugh Wilbourn, director of ALLTEL Corp. and former chairman and chief executive officer of Allied Telephone Company, and Frank Hickingbotham, chairman and chief executive officer of TCBY Enterprises. Elmer Ferguson, chairman of the board of DeWitt Bank and Trust, is vice chairman.

Mrs. R. A. "Brick" Lile will serve as the honorary chairman of the campaign.

Dr. Grant said that with a "lead"

gift of \$250,000 pledged by the Lile family, together with other gifts that have been received, about one-half of the \$1.25 million goal has already been pledged. The remaining amount, he said, is expected to be raised within a few weeks.

Mr. Lile, who died in March 1987, was a leading force in most of Ouachita's major fund-raising campaigns during the last 17 years. He served two terms as a member of the OBU board of trustees, as chairman of the Endowment Committee and was an active member of the Development Council.

The building was designed by the Little Rock architectural firm of Blass, Chilcote, Carter and Wilcox. Pickens-Bond Construction Co., also of Little Rock, is the contractor.

HOMEcoming: Nov. 11-12, 1988

Class Reunions

'43, '48, '53, '58, '63, '68, '73, '78 and '83

Friday, November 11

6:30 p.m. Class Reunion Buffet

Saturday, November 12

- 10:00 a.m. Parade
- 10:45 a.m. Student-Alumni Get-Togethers
- 11:45 a.m. Alumni Buffet
- 1:30 p.m. Pregame at A. U. Williams Field  
Crowning of Queen
- 2:00 p.m. Game — OBU vs. Harding
- 4:30 p.m. Reunion Class After-game Suppers  
\$2.00 by reservation  
Meeting places to be announced

New pipe organ almost ready

Russell Hodges, instructor in music, tests the sound of the new pipe organ being installed in the Recital Hall of Mabee Fine Arts Center. On hand for the impromptu performance are Yvonne Cloud, Dr. Bill Trantham, the Addie Mae Maddox Professor of Music; John Cloud, director of planned giving; Lisa Speer ('88); her mother, Mrs. Katie Speer, a co-trustee of the Roy and Christine Sturgis Trust of Malvern, which provided a \$120,000 pledge for the organ; and Dr. Charles Wright, dean of the School of Music. The pipe organ will be given its public debut on Sept. 8, with Hodges performing.



**CLASS NOTES**

**1931**

**Evelyn Bowden** was selected to represent the Arkadelphia Chapter of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution at the 97th annual Continental Congress held in Washington, D.C., April 15-22. She toured several historical places on the way to the Capitol. Evelyn served as state corresponding secretary until May.

**1938**

The 50th reunion of the 1938 graduating class was held on May 6. The following class members were present to be inducted into the Gold Tiger Club: **Gus Albright Jr.** from Little Rock, **Maxine (Gary) Cochran** from Portland, Ark., **Ruth M. (Meador) Davis** from Stephens, Ark., Judge **Tom Digby Jr.** and **Dr. Rivos H. Dorris**, both from North Little Rock, **Alyene (Capps) Fowler** from Nashville, Tenn., **Dr. Augustus J. Goforth Jr.** from Greenville, S.C., **Thomas K. Goodman**, D.D.S., from Arlington, Tex., **Vera (Cypert) Jacobs** from Melbourne, Ark. Others attending were: **Frances (Morton) Kelly** from Lexington, Va., **Patty (Whitten) Lueken** from Helena, Ark., **Mary Louise (Capps) Mann** from Houston, Tex., **Jerine (Mathews) May** from Baton Rouge, La., **Pen-Lile (Compere) Pittard** from Norfolk, Va., **Paul H. Power** from North Little Rock, **Elaine (Millsapp) Robertson** from Cuba, Mo., **Dr. Vester E. Wolber** from Arkadelphia and **Cherry (Winburn) Wright** from Benton, Ark.

Those from earlier classes who received the Gold Tiger Award were: Rev. **Paul Elledge** ('33), Overland Park, Kan., and Rear Admiral (Ret.) **James W. Kelly** ('36), Lexington, Va. Also attending was Carl T. Schooley Jr. of Alexandria, Va., who received the Gold Tiger Certificate and pin for his father, Carl T. Schooley Sr., who is deceased. The reunion was well attended by their spouses, other former students, graduates and friends who enjoyed and shared in their celebration. For some, the celebrating extended into Saturday with plans and anticipation for the coming event in 1989.

**1942**

**Carolyn (Carpenter) Berry** ('42) was elected one of seven vice presidents general from the April 21 meeting of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution at the 97th annual Continental Congress held in Washington, D.C. There were 1706 delegates present from across the nation. Carolyn received more votes than anyone. In February Carolyn was elected Honorary State Regent at Ft. Smith. She has served the past two years as Arkansas State Regent. Her husband is retired Lt. Col. **J. T. Berry** ('48).

**1945**

**Doyle and Marie (Hardwick)** ('44)

**Lumpkin** of Little Rock, Ark., will leave May 21 for a one- or two-year overseas assignment as volunteers with the Foreign Mission Board. They will serve the East Bavarian Church of West Germany, which ministers to Army personnel and American civilians with the U.S. government. They have just returned from a five-month assignment with the Home Mission Board, serving as interim pastor of a mission at Lake Havasu City, Ariz.

**1947**

**Don Orr** is one of six men selected as Distinguished Alumni of Southwestern Seminary to be honored in San Antonio, Tex., on June 15. Don has retired as missionary to Colombia. He and his wife, Violet, were the first music missionaries appointed by the Southern Baptist Convention, serving 34 years in the same country.

**1949**

**Dean E. and Jeanne (Hampton) Newberry** live in Rogers where Dean is a chaplain. Jeanne has completed her 24th year as an elementary music teacher.

**1952**

**Ina Miller** of Mountain Home is a former member of the state executive board and currently serves the Spiritual Preparation Committee for the Foreign Mission Board Commissioning Service to be held at Little Rock in April 1989. Mrs. Miller recently had an article published entitled "I Am a Daily Missions Prayer" in *Royal Service*.

**1955**

**Melvin Hampton** of Paintsville, Ky., has been named as the new director of financial development at Campbellsville College in Campbellsville, Ky. He is a graduate of Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary. Hampton has pastored churches in Arkansas and Indiana. He and his wife, Jeanette, have four children.

**1957**

**Dennis M. Dodson** observed his ninth anniversary of service Feb. 14 as pastor of First Church, Monticello. **Dr. C. J. Little** (f.s.) graduated from U.A. Medical School in 1961. After serving in the U.S. Army in Alaska, he returned there and entered private practice. In August 1987, he was installed as president of the Alaska Medical Association.

**1958**

**Paul D. Fitzgerald**, D.D.S. (f.s.), Sheridan, was installed as president-elect of the Arkansas State Dental Association in April 1988. He will serve as president beginning in April 1989. He is married to **Ann (Harrison)** ('59).



**Pam McBryde** (right) of Pine Bluff, who received a B.A. degree in sociology May 7, was one of 231 members of the Class of 1988. New applications for admission this fall are running slightly ahead of last year's record 15.4 percent increase in the freshman class, according to **Randy Garner**, director of admissions counseling.

**1960**

**Ruth Ann Thomas (Wade)** and **Glynn T. Hill** were married on Jan. 1, 1988, in the chapel of the Baptist Sunday School Board in Nashville, Tenn., where she is a consultant in the Sunday School Division. **Ernest Mosley** ('48) performed the ceremony. All their children participated: **Guy A. Wade** ('85), **Gary W. Wade** ('88) and **Jan (Mosley) Hill** ('76). Ruth Ann's mother, **Hazel Thomas** (faculty 1948-74), was present as well as her brother, **Alan Thomas** ('58), from Baltimore, Md.

**1961**

**Doyle Herndon**, vice president of the field services division of TCBY, was named assistant to company president **Herren Hickingbotham**. Herndon has been with the company since April 1987 and formerly was director of operations in the operations and training division of **Wackenhut Services** at Aiken, S.C. **Kim Herndon**, his daughter, is a current student at Ouachita.

**1962**

**M. Ray Wells** is Family Ministry Director for the Louisiana Baptist Convention. His wife, **Carolyn**



**Dr. and Mrs. A. B. Wetherington** celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary May 22 at the First Baptist Church of Arkadelphia. Dr. Wetherington, professor emeritus of education, played a major role in the integration of public schools in Arkansas through his work with the ATAC program at Ouachita.

**(Carey)** (f.s. '62), completed a degree in family life studies at Louisiana College in December and is the director/counselor for the Volunteers of America Office in Alexandria, La. Their son, **Brian** ('87), lives in Ft. Worth, and son **Vernon** graduated from Pineville High School in May.

**1965**

**Don Harper** (f.s.) is serving as pastor of Uniontown Church. He has pastored other Arkansas churches, as well as in Oklahoma, Texas, Arizona, Illinois and Michigan. He and his wife, Rita, have two adult children, **Debra** in North Carolina and **Dewey** in Springdale.

**1967**

**Dr. Russ Burbank** of Arkadelphia recently was named president of the Arkansas chapter of the American Association on Mental Deficiency. The association is a professional organization that promotes cooperation among those engaged in services, training and research for the mentally disabled. Burbank has been enlisted to serve as a consultant for the Special Ministries section of the Baptist Sunday School Board. His wife,

**Nancy Crone** ('67), is an artist working with oils and acrylics. They have two daughters, **Julie**, a freshman at Ouachita, and **Michelle**, a junior at Arkadelphia High School.

**1968**

**Rich Terry** is the EDS Key Executive for Louisiana Tech University. He has been with EDS since 1972 and is regional manager for the Blue Division of the Financial and Insurance Group. Rich received a master of science degree in mathematics from Louisiana Tech in 1970. Rich assumed his current position in June 1987. His area of responsibility includes Florida, Iowa, Indiana and Texas. He and his wife, **Linda (Danner)** ('69), live in Plano with their two children, **Jana** and **Jonathan**.

**1969**

**John T. Hampton** has been promoted to president and chief administrative officer of First Western Bancshares, Inc., of Booneville. He has been executive vice president of the holding company, which owns Citizens Bank of Booneville and First Western Loan Company of Greenwood and Fayetteville. He is president of First Western and executive vice president of the bank.

**1970**

**Bobby Jeanette (Turner) Hamelback** completed a master of arts degree in educational processes at Maryville College in May. She teaches sixth grade at Fox Elementary School in Arnold, Mo. Bobby and her husband, **Vern**, have two daughters, **Ali**, 14, and **Maggie**, 7.

**1971**

**Jane McCallum** has joined Fairfield Advertising as a special projects coordinator. She will direct a nationwide benefits program for members of Fairfield Communities who are not retired. McCallum was director of public relations for Maumelle Land Development for the last five years. She also was director of advertising and communications for the Arkansas Industrial Development Commission.

**Navy Lt. Paul J. McNabb** of Cleveland, Ark., reported in March for duty with 1st Force Service Support Group, Camp Pendleton, Calif.

**Bob** (f.s.) and **Cherie Faulkner** ('73) **Stevenson** live in Ft. Smith where Bob works with the police department, honor guard and SWAT team. Cherie recently received her master's degree in elementary education from the University of Arkansas. Both are busy at Grand Avenue Baptist Church, activities at school (PTA president) and their Cub and Boy Scout troops. They have two sons, **Bobby**, 12, and **John**, 10.

**1972**

**Dr. Neal Sumerlin** has been pro-

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**Memorial contributions January 21-May 13, 1988**

- Mrs. Thomas Auffmanberg  
By: Dr. and Mrs. Daniel R. Grant
- Mr. Clyde Archer  
By: Mr. Nelson B. Eubank
- Mrs. Juanita McMillan Barnett  
By: Mrs. Virginia Bellue
- Mrs. Willie Pearl Boerstler  
By: Mrs. Christina H. Hunter
- Mr. Willard L. Bratton  
By: Mr. and Mrs. Dub DeLaughter
- Mrs. Lavern Cash Clark  
By: Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Huckabee
- Mrs. Jessie Cloud  
By: Mr. and Mrs. John D. Cloud
- Mr. Charles E. Condray, Jr.  
By: Mrs. Madge Clayton  
Mr. and Mrs. John Clem  
Mrs. Elbert Coston  
Mr. and Mrs. Luther Greene  
Mrs. Fannie Morrell Johnson
- Mrs. Mildred Condry  
By: Mrs. Christina H. Hunter
- Mrs. John Elrod  
By: Mr. and Mrs. William M. Meeks III

- Mr. Searcy Elrod  
By: Mr. and Mrs. William M. Meeks III
- Mrs. Mabel J. Epperson  
By: Mr. and Mrs. Billy G. Williams
- Mrs. Florence Ferguson  
By: Dr. and Mrs. Trozy Barker
- Mr. David S. Floyd  
By: Mr. and Mrs. Dub DeLaughter  
Mr. W. Burke Sipes
- Miss Barb Griffin  
By: EEE Social Club, OBU
- Mrs. Lois Gene Dolin Hagan  
By: Mr. and Mrs. Billy G. Williams
- Rev. Seibert Haley  
By: Rev. E. E. Haley  
Miss Mary Ann Haley  
Mrs. Mary Jane Haley  
Mr. P. H. Haley  
Mr. T. A. Haley  
Chaplain T. J. Haley  
Mrs. Zelma Johnson  
Mrs. Nancy McBryde

- Mr. and Mrs. William P. McCormick  
Mrs. Jody Haley Sanford
- Mrs. Mamie Hickingbotham  
By: Mrs. R. A. Lile  
Dr. and Mrs. Marvin D. Loyd
- Mr. Wallace Johnson  
By: Mrs. R. A. Lile
- Mrs. O. R. Kelly  
By: Mr. and Mrs. Ted Harrison, Jr.
- Mr. R. A. "Brick" Lile  
By: Lisa Bailey  
Ronald and Sara Bailey  
Ruby Ellen Burkhead  
Christian, Ruth and Jacob Harrison  
Ocie Lile Harrison and Sons  
Mrs. Jim Lile  
The Joe Lile Mizell Family  
Philip, Mary Ann, Benjamin and Katherine Mizell  
Dr. Walter S. and Mary Jo Mizell  
Mr. and Mrs. I. V. Perdue, Jr.  
Hazel Lile Redding  
Mary Sue Steel

- K. Rick and Martha Turner
- Rev. Tom Lindley  
By: Mr. Nelson B. Eubank
- Mrs. Ora Lee Baldrige Meyer  
By: Mr. William F. Meyer
- Mr. Arthur Peterson, Jr.  
By: Dr. Robert L. Peterson  
Mrs. Gretchen Peterson Thomas
- Dr. Lon E. Reed  
By: Mrs. Elizabeth Reed
- Dr. W. C. "Prof" Ribble  
By: Mr. Farris C. "Purvy" Purviance
- Dr. Edward P. Ryan  
By: Mrs. Edward P. Ryan, Ralph and Lilia
- Dr. Lionel E. Walker  
By: Mr. Farris C. Purviance
- Mr. Winfred Poe "Doc" Walton  
By: Mr. and Mrs. Ike Sharp
- Mrs. Gail Rudder Wieman  
By: Mr. and Mrs. A. A. McLaughlin
- Mr. Howard I. Wink  
By: Dr. and Mrs. Daniel R. Grant

- Mrs. Dora Woods  
By: Mrs. Annette Hobgood
  - Mr. W. L. Yeldell  
By: Mr. and Mrs. Ed Flaig
- IN HONOR OF:**
- Miss Frances Crawford  
By: Dr. Richard C. Pettigrew
  - Mr. John Elrod  
By: Mr. and Mrs. William M. Meeks III
  - Mrs. Searcy Elrod  
By: Mr. and Mrs. William M. Meeks III
  - Mrs. Vera Cypert Jacobs  
By: Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Baylor
  - Dr. Francis McBeth  
By: Mrs. George Smith
  - Dr. and Mrs. Walter Mizell  
By: Mrs. R. A. Lile
  - Mr. and Mrs. Don Orr  
By: Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Hayley
  - Mrs. Hazel Redding  
By: Mrs. R. A. Lile



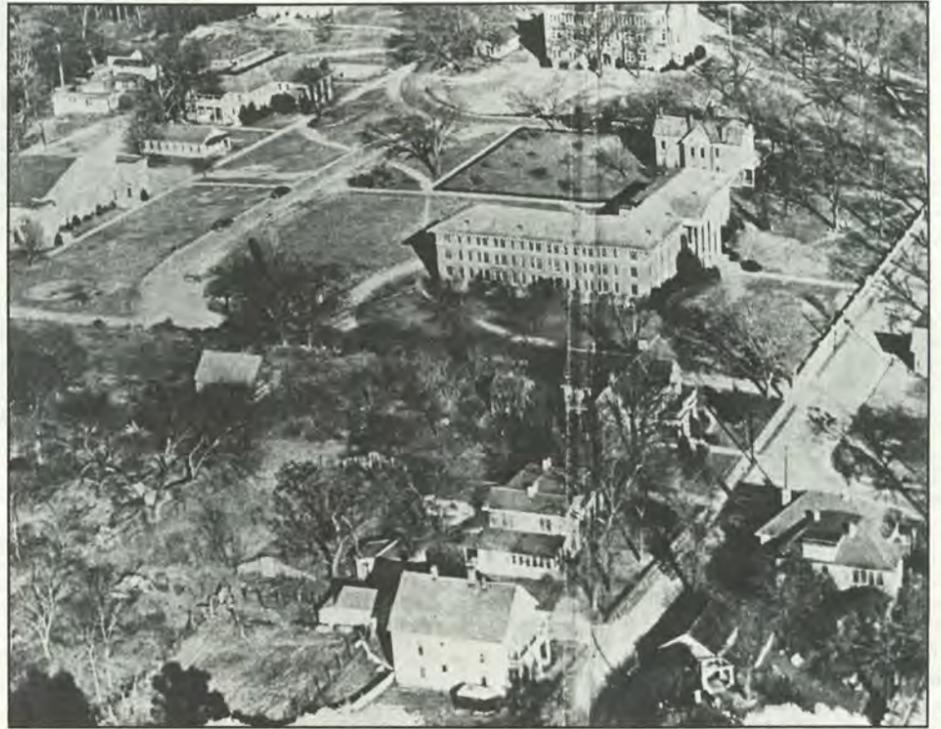
■ Dan Grant as a BSU senior in the 1945 Ouachitonian yearbook. A quote beside his class picture stated, "Men, like bullets, go farthest when they are smoothest." In the campus Who's Who, he was described as "versatile, cleverest, intellectual."



■ Dr. Grant's mother, Mrs. J. R. Grant, received an honorary Doctor of Laws degree from Ouachita in 1973. Dr. William Trantham bestowed the hood.



■ Dr. J. R. Grant, his father, was president from 1933 until 1949. Between the two of them, they led Ouachita during more than a third of its history.



**A bird's eye view of Ouachita: 1941-present**

■ Cone-Bottoms dormitory is the only building that remains from the campus of 1941. The old president's home, where Dan Grant spent his childhood, was located just above the dormitory. Grant remembers launching kites from his backyard in the evenings, tying them to a stake and then coming out the next morning to find them still flying high over the ravine. Continuing counter-clockwise from the President's Home, other buildings include Old Main, a portion of North Dorm, Daily Dining Hall, the old bookstore and Walton Gym. The aerial view at right was taken in 1987 before the construction of Riley-Hickingbotham Library.



■ Evans Student Center



■ Lile Hall



■ Mabee Fine Arts Center



■ McClellan Hall

# The Grant years: A remarkable re

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The extent to which he succeeded in leading Ouachita toward fulfilling the dual commitment is impressive.

**I. The academic program**

In his inaugural address Oct. 22, 1970, Dr. Grant tackled the tricky question of which of the two principal "thrusters" of Christian higher education — educational excellence and Christian excellence — should be mentioned first.

While acknowledging at the outset that "ultimately, Christian excellence is of primary importance," he quickly added that "in chronological order, educational excellence is first because, by definition, we are not even in the business of Christian higher education if we are not engaged in genuine higher education."

The record since 1970:

- Ouachita's faculty has grown stronger in every respect, with the percentage holding doctorates passing the 50 percent mark for the first time in the school's history.

- Nine endowed chairs of instruction have been established in business and transportation, Bible and humanities, pre-medical studies, music and English. Nineteen other endowed chairs have been reserved through wills designated for Ouachita.

- The increasing strength of the academic program is reflected in the 15 percent increase in the 1987 freshman class.

- Ouachita has consistently ranked in the top three or four of all colleges and universities in Arkansas — public and private — in the number of outstanding students enrolled who are recipients of the state's top academic scholarships. The freshman class of 1987, for example, included

nine Arkansas Governor's Scholars and six National Merit Finalists.

- As a significant part of Ouachita's commitment to serving as "a doorway to the world," a foreign language requirement has been adopted beginning with the freshman class of 1988.

- Exchange programs have been established in China and Japan. Negotiations are in progress to establish similar programs in Europe.

- A unique program of cooperation has been established with Henderson State University in such key areas as joint lectures, concerts and shared library facilities.

- Faculty salaries, fringe benefits, working conditions and other special supports for academic excellence and faculty improvement have experienced significant progress since 1970.

- The Carl Goodson Honors Program for selected students at OBU, named in honor of the former vice president for academic affairs, has been steadily strengthened in its role of providing special academic challenges for outstanding students.

- Ouachita's science program has benefitted increasingly from the outstanding work of the water chemistry research program led by Dr. Joe Nix.

- The Maddox Public Affairs Center offers a yearly seminar in Washington, D.C., for study in the fields of politics and government.

- The Institute for Regional Studies is initially emphasizing the study of "Old Washington" and the history of Arkansas' Red River Region.

- In 1980, Ouachita received a full 10-year accreditation of the undergraduate and graduate programs by the North Central Association.

- Important new major fields of

study have been established, including a strong multidisciplinary major in communications, family life ministry and church recreation and computer science.

- In addition to the JEC-Ross Foundation Lectures, the Birkett Williams Lectures and the J. E. Berry Lectures have been permanently endowed by generous gifts.

**II. Financial stability**

Soon after Grant became president, he was instrumental in organizing the Ouachita-Southern Advancement Campaign, which in 1972 significantly increased private gifts to Ouachita and to Southern Baptist College in Walnut Ridge. The campaign, which raised \$2.2 million, was also a major step in re-establishing a harmonious relationship between Ouachita and the Baptist churches of Arkansas.

From that point on, one success led to another:

- In celebration of Ouachita's 100th anniversary, the Centennial Advancement Campaign raised gifts and pledges of \$10.7 million.

- Ouachita's endowment has grown from less than \$2 million in 1970 to more than \$12 million in 1988.

- An all-time record of more than \$5 million in gifts and grants was established in 1987-88.

- Total gifts and grants to Ouachita since 1970 have amounted to \$50.5 million.

**III. Buildings and grounds**

- Of all the accomplishments that have been realized during Grant's administration, none are more evident than the dramatic transformation of

the buildings and grounds of the Ouachita campus.

New construction during Grant's administration includes Evans Student Center, Lile Hall, Mabee Fine Arts Center, McClellan Hall, the Eddie Blackmon Field House, Sturgis Physical Education Center, the Riley-Hickingbotham Library, a maintenance building, plus the provision of apartments for married students. Most recently, ground was broken for the R. A. "Brick" Lile building to house the departments of English, history, math and computer science and modern foreign languages.

**IV. Commitment to Christian purposes**

In his inaugural address, Grant called for Ouachita "to be on the cutting edge in Christian excellence by: (1) showing concern for authentic Christian morality on and off the campus, (2) providing special service to the denomination and (3) making new efforts to relate the goals and methods of higher education to those of the Christian faith and life."

The record since 1970:

- The Student Religious Activities Program at Ouachita has become one of the best in the country, providing a variety of opportunities for Christian growth and missions experiences for students and faculty.

- The selection of Ouachita by the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention for a unique pilot project that sent students to Ecuador during spring break in 1987 to work with SBC missionaries and to three countries in southern Africa in May 1988.

- Ouachita students also partici-

pated in spring-break trips to work with inner-city children in Washington, D.C., and Houston.

- The school has also developed strong ties with Brazil through AM mission projects.

- The Missionary-in-Residence Program provides an emphasis on world missions by bringing one two outstanding missionary families who are on furlough to live in the former "Carter Home" at the edge of the campus.

- The school ranks consistently in the top three or four colleges and universities in the nation — both public and private — in producing new Southern Baptist missionaries.

- Christian Focus Week provides campus-wide programs, seminars and worship services each year.

- Ouachita continues to give unequivocal and unapologetic support for required chapel and required courses in Old Testament and New Testament for all students.

- The recently established Center for Christian Ministries provides ministerial opportunities for students while they are in school, counseling services and vocational guidance church-related occupations.

- The school also serves church and the denomination by offering facilities for conferences and retreats. Among the many groups that schedule meetings here are the Baptist Young Musicians, Music Arkansas for Baptist adults and young people, MasterLife and MasterBuilder training, conferences on Senior Adult Ministry and other organizations.

The capstone of Grant's career as president could not have been more timely: the observance of Ouachita centennial, which concluded in September 1988.



■ Sturgis Physical Education Center



■ Riley-Hickingbotham Library

# Record of achievement

September 1986 with a visit by former president Jimmy Carter. Resulting from that year-long celebration were seven comprehensive second-century goals: an information-age library (already accomplished with the opening of the Riley-Hickingbotham Library), an expanded international emphasis, development of the Christian dimension of the educational experience at Ouachita and other goals that are already being achieved.

Relaxing over a cup of vegetable-beef soup at a local restaurant last month, the president talked with a colleague about the Grant era: 1970-1988.

"When I look back on all the things that have happened during the last 18 years," he said, "it's a very pleasant surprise." He admitted, in fact, that he had been skeptical at first as to whether sufficient resources were even available in Arkansas to accomplish the purposes he had in mind for Ouachita.

"I am literally amazed," he said, "at how many friends have come forward to help us."

What had triggered the widespread response, he said, was that the Baptists of Arkansas "were yearning for a chance to make the relationship work. But in order for that to happen, we had to switch from an atmosphere of confrontation and low morale to a sense of community, of a common purpose."

So far as what lies ahead, Grant says he is looking at several options. He wants, for example, to give more time to his grandchildren, children and tennis "in that order," he said. He also intends to become "a more active in my earlier calling

of political science, including keeping my textbook on state and local government revised at more regular intervals."

In addition, he plans to "respond favorably" to an offer to serve as a part-time consultant for international exchange and service programs for a consortium of Baptist colleges and universities. Last September, he was elected chairman of the group, which, he said, will work closely with the Foreign Mission Board "in responding to calls for help that come from the most inaccessible parts of the world."

How will his presidency be remembered? To a great extent, the answer will depend on one's perspective.

Dr. Mike Arrington, 42, the acting vice president for academic affairs at Ouachita, is typical of the mostly young, highly professional administrators who work closely with the president.

"Dr. Grant has been called 'a nut on planning,'" Arrington said, "and that's the way he operates. He lays down the broad, general guidelines, and, after considerable discussion, the administrative team takes care of the details. At the same time, however, he keeps his finger in every pie. He never loses touch."

Students, however, who are virtually unaware of the impact Dr. Grant has had on the history of Ouachita, see him from a different angle. The views of Chris Lawson, for example, who will serve during the 1988-89 academic year as president of both the Student Senate and the Ouachita Student Foundation, are probably typical.

"I think Dr. Grant will be remembered for his old-fashioned, rather

traditional approach to education," he said, "but also for having a keen sense of the changing of the times."

Crediting him for being "open-minded to new ideas, new technology and new areas of education," Lawson praised Dr. Grant for his ability "to maintain a balance between the old-style Baptists and the new faces and new styles of leadership in the Arkansas Baptist State Convention."

So far as students being aware of just how much progress has been made during Grant's administration, however, that would be an area, Lawson said, "that they wouldn't understand."

But for thousands of other Ouachitians and friends of the university who have seen what has happened during the last 18 years, they understand it very well.

"We are indebted to Dr. Grant far beyond our means to repay him," said Board Chairman Sutton recently.

"For more than 18 years," he said, "Dr. Grant has, like a good shepherd, led Ouachita from successive plateaus of healing, to strength-building, to the high ground of poised readiness for the challenges of her second century of service."

"With quiet eloquence," Sutton continued, Grant "has stirred the consciences of Southern Baptists to the needs of Christian educational excellence that could not be postponed. Remarkably, he has managed during his span of leadership an unprecedented building program, an enhanced endowment and the structuring of a uniquely admired faculty and staff to achieve the godly purposes of our institution."

Ouachita Baptist University can live with that.

## Ouachita's first lady recalls her 30,000 guests

By William D. Downs Jr.  
Thursday, 10:43 a.m.

With the annual administrative potluck dinner just over 24 hours away, the last thing in the world Betty Jo Grant wanted to do was to stop for an interview.

"Let's make this fast," she barked good-naturedly but left no doubt that she had things to do and places to go. Indeed, as Ouachita's ebullient, apparently tireless first lady, she has overseen the meticulous planning of about 1,000 social occasions during the last 18 years that have involved at least 30,000 people.

For Betty Jo, no problem.

Employing the intense concentration of a battlefield commander, she plans each event down to the tiniest detail, then checks her daily countdown lists with Frances Williams, her helper of 11 years, to make certain that everything is on schedule. It always is.

Whatever she has learned about putting on a party has been by "osmosis," she said, as opposed to any formal training. She did, however, grow up in "a very open house, where there were always a lot of visitors." It also helped that she and Dr. Grant entertained frequently during his 21 years at Vanderbilt University.

dinner, as a "pay-off," Betty Jo said with her customary chuckle, for having helped with the dessert for new students.

- The Ouachita Women's Club has its first meeting at the president's home in September. Food, of course, is involved.
- Students in the Carl Goodson Honors Program are invited for dessert.
- The kick-off of football season also means the kick-off of after-game suppers.
- Throughout this same period, keep in mind, parents are dropping in unexpectedly, which is fine. If they have come great distances to bring their sons and daughters to school, the Grants insist that they stay all night in the president's home rather than pay for motels.

And that's just for openers. What about the rest of the year?

"There's something happening every night," she said. "If we're not having something here, we're at the school." The Grants do, however, manage to set aside some time for themselves.

### Time for each other

"I'll take the little book he keeps in his shirt pocket," she said, "compare it with my own calendar, find a day that's free for both of us, and then I will write 'HOLD FOR B.J.' in very big letters on his calendar."

They also succeed in getting away from telephone and doorbell interruptions by driving together to wherever he is scheduled to speak that day.

"This is a lot easier for us to do now than it was when the children were at home," she said. "At that time, since Daniel was on the road so much, I felt that it was necessary for me to stick around. Now I go with him a good bit."

They may very well be the perfect match.

"We have always been very much a team," she said. "He looks at the big picture; I look at the minute details. He considers all sides of a question before he makes a decision; my mind jumps from one thing to another. So we really do help each other."

Does she look forward to retirement?

"What retirement?" she asked.

"He's the one who's retiring. I'm not." Since she will maintain her relationships at the First Baptist Church of Arkadelphia, civic organizations and craft groups — she likes to make baskets and that sort of thing, "My work will go on," she said. "I don't see the possibility of just sitting and rocking."

No way.

The "good trade-off," however, of Dr. Grant's retirement, she said, will be that they will have more control over their own schedule.

"We want to spend more time with the grandchildren," she said, something they haven't been able to do while her husband was president. "From now on, if any of them have a piano recital or whatever, we want to be there."

Her approach to being a successful hostess is characteristically warm and down to earth, a trait which once led a friend to exclaim, "I'll declare, Betty Jo! You're the most un-president's wife I've ever seen in my life."

People love it.

"I don't agonize over decisions," she said. "I just make up my mind — maybe it's wrong — but I do it, and then go on to something else."

Nor does she concern herself with things being perfect. "What I do want is for people to feel comfortable," she said. "I would much rather do whatever it takes to cause them to be glad they came instead of knocking myself out before they arrive. After all, I want to enjoy the party, too."

Averaging one a week, 52 weeks a year, there have been plenty of parties to enjoy.

Take a typical opening of the school year in August and September:

- A dessert party for student leadership draws 125.
- Three or four days later, all the new students are invited to drop by to make their own ice cream sundaes. They arrive in droves, ravenously hungry. The Ouachita Student Senate is on hand to help.
- The football team is invited to come over after Sunday evening services for dessert. They arrive with gargantuan appetites, accompanied by their dates and the coaching staff.
- In early September, new faculty and staff, together with their husbands and wives, are invited to dinner.
- Also in early September, the Ouachita Student Foundation is invited over for dinner.
- Later in the same month, the Student Senate is also invited for



■ Betty Jo Grant prepares for the next social occasion.

**Class Notes** (continued from page 3) moted to professor of chemistry at Lynchburg College. Sumerlin went to Lynchburg College in 1976 as assistant professor, was promoted to associate professor in 1980 and has been chairman of the Chemistry Department since 1983. He and his wife, Jane, have one son, Daniel, age 4, and a daughter, Anna Marie, born March 12.

## 1974

**Cindy Petty** of Nashville, Ark., has been recognized as a nationally certified teacher of piano by Music Teachers National Association. Cindy has had a teaching studio for 11 years. She is also a church pianist and director of a children's choir. She is a member of MTNA-affiliated Arkansas State Music Teachers Association, the National Guild of Piano Teachers and the NFMC.

## 1975

**Steve and Marie (Estes) '76 Bean** are now living in Alamogordo, N.M., where Steve has accepted a position as avionics technician with Black Hills Aviation. Prior to the move in March, they lived in Tulsa where Steve attended the Spartan School of Aeronautics and Marie worked as a dental hygienist. Their daughter, Ashlin, is 4½.

**Mike and Toni (Manning) (f.s. '75) Johnson**, now living in Little Rock, have four children: Michael, 7, Cassidy, 3, Gabriel Vanessa, 5, and Natalie Anne, 10 months. Mike is a pharmaceutical representative, and Toni is a homemaker.

**Tom Smith**, pastor of First Church, Bentonville, was among eight selected as "Outstanding Young Arkansans" by the Arkansas Jaycees and Little Rock Junior Chamber of Commerce.

## 1976

On April 30, **Maj. James Cobb** received a master of arts degree in political science/international relations with a certificate in African studies from the University of Florida. He and his wife, Lynn, daughter Lindsay, 4, and son Jaime, 2, will be stationed in Lilongwe, Malawi (Africa), where they will spend a year traveling the continent as part of the U.S. Army Foreign Area Officer Program. Maj. Cobb stated "they would like the opportunity to visit with any Ouachita Tigers in the area."

**Dr. Stephen Hatfield** of Grandview, Tex., was the speaker heading the 11-member Christian Focus Week that met Feb. 29-March 4 at Ouachita. He holds the M.Div. and Ph.D. degrees from Southwestern Seminary in Ft. Worth, Tex. Stephen is the pastor of First Baptist Church in Grandview. Stephen and his wife, **Marcy** ('76), have three daughters.

**Stephen Scott Moore** (f.s.) now lives in Ft. Smith. Scott is marketing director for Affiliated Foods in Van Buren, Ark. He and his wife, Lisa Harris Moore, have one child, Ryan McClendon, born Jan. 26, 1988.

**Diana (Sims) Payne** has been awarded a master of business administration degree from the University of Arkansas.

**Bruce Tippit** was a member of the team that lead various seminars throughout Ouachita's Christian Focus Week held Feb. 29-March 4. Bruce holds the M.Div. and the M.Din. degrees from Southwestern Seminary in Ft. Worth. He is pastor of the Fianna Hills Baptist Mission in Ft. Smith, Ark. His wife, **Kathy (Marable)** ('76), was elected to serve as secretary for 1987-1988 of Arkansas Baptist Minister's Wives. They have two daughters.

## 1977

**Carl W. Kluck** celebrated his 28th year of service Feb. 7, 1988, at Second Baptist Church in Arkadelphia.

**Philip Eugene Quinn** was awarded the doctor of arts degree from the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, Ky., Dec. 18, 1987.

## 1978

**D. Bruce Andrews, CPA**, of North Little Rock has been elected a partner in the firm of Baird, Kurtz & Dobson. Andrews also is active in Park Hill Baptist Church and is a member of several community and professional organizations.

On March 15, **Tom Calhoon** of Arkadelphia was elected to the board of directors of Citizens First State Bank. In addition, he was elected an officer and director of First Arkadelphia Bancshares, the bank's parent company. He and his wife, Nina, have two children, Chris, age 12, and Amanda, age 7.

**Dr. (Maj.) Frank and Susie (White) ('79) Orr** have returned from their tour in Germany and are living in Huntsville, Ala. Frank is assigned to the U.S. Army Dental Activity at Redstone Arsenal, Ala. Susie is a full-time homemaker with Brian, 4, and Scotty, 3.

Savers Federal Savings and Loan Association has named **Jim Shults** assistant vice president. Shults joined Savers in 1986 as senior loan officer at the association's branch office at Benton, where he is branch officer. Shults is married to **Elizabeth (Pow-ers)** ('80 and '83).

**Rene' (Rogers) and Mark Wham** live in Bellaire, Tex. Both are attorneys. Rene' is with the firm of Griggs & Harrison in Houston, and Mark is with the Houston firm of Kain & Reedy. Both work with insurance litigation.

## 1979

**Charles Barber** lives in St. Louis, Mo., where he is a manager with Southwestern Bell Telephone Company.

**Nina White** lives in Sheridan, Ark., where she is a coach at Sheridan High School.

## 1980

**Neill and Kim (Maddox) Hunter** are living in Bristol, Fla. Neill is employed with the Florida Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission as a wildlife biologist. Kim is a tax consultant and homemaker. They have two children, Darby, 3, and Charles, 1.

**James B. McGee** was recently promoted to tax manager in the tax department of Rasco Burris & Winter, Certified Public Accountants, in Little Rock. McGee has worked for the firm since 1980, where he specializes in health care and general tax matters.

**Mike and Becky (Ingram) Southern** live in Ft. Smith where he is an adjuster for State Farm and is employed by **James Chancellor** ('69), also of Ft. Smith. Becky is a registered nurse at Sparks Regional Medical Center. Mike serves as director at the Little Theater for the '88 season. Both are active in church where Mike is vice president of the Men's Club. They have one son, Joel Michael, age 10 months.

## 1981

**Mark Alan Bennett** is tax manager for Price-Waterhouse, Capital Tower Building, in Little Rock, Ark.

**Leslie (Smith) Klein** (f.s.) lives in Bedford, Tex. She is currently working as the corporate concierge of William Square in Las Colinas. Her husband, John, is the director of creative services for Lomas and Nettleton Corporation.

**Melissa (Hawkins) Simpson** teaches special education in Osceola, and her husband, Marty, is a self-employed farmer. They have one child, Christopher Martin, age 6 months.

## 1982

**Gary G. Kleck** has been promoted to financial examiner supervisor at the Arkansas State Bank Department. He joined the Bank Department in 1985 for credit evaluation and bank performance in state-chartered financial institutions.

**Rita (Sutterfield) Looney** and her husband, Randy, live in Little Rock where both are practicing attorneys.

**Linda (Rowin) and Rob Morgan** live in Tampa, Fla., where she works as a computer analyst for G.T.E. Her husband, Rob, is music and youth director at Calvary Church in Tampa.

**Sam Roberts**, a Ph.D. student from Marked Tree, is pastor of the Mt. Hermon Baptist Church in Bedford, Ky. His wife, **Martha (Turner)** (f.s.), and their son, Dustin, were pictured on the front of the Southern Seminary newsmagazine in February.

**Capt. Thomas Talbot** and his wife are now living in the Republic of Panama. He is assigned as the S-2 of the 1-508th Infantry (Airborne). They have one daughter, Chelsey.

## 1983

**Daryl Peebles** has been promoted to vice president of property management for Flake and Company. He has worked at the firm for three years and manages more than 600,000 square feet of office/retail properties. He and his wife, **Terry Lynn (Griffin)** ('83), live in North Little Rock.

**Vance and Sandy Lee Rucker** live in Van Horn, Tex. Vance is high school principal at Van Horn, and Sandy is completing her master's degree in public school administration. Both plan to begin work on doctorates this summer at North Texas State University.

**Mark Shackelford**, employed at BEI Defense Systems, Inc., East Camden, has been promoted to senior manufacturing engineer. Mark and his wife, Joane, have two children, Christopher, 3, and B. J., 1.

**Tony O. Woodell** was recently named executive director of Trinity Towers Corp., a 218-unit apartment complex for elderly, in Louisville. He graduated from Southern Seminary in 1986. He is married to **Peggy (Clay)** ('83) who teaches in Jefferson County with the advanced program.

## 1984

**Richard Atkinson** and his wife, Gaye, are in Little Rock. Richard is office manager for Arkansas Air, Inc. Gaye is an investigator for the Attorney General's Office.

**David Alan Moore** serves on the staff at Sagamore Hill Baptist Church in Ft. Worth, Tex., while he is attending Southwest Baptist Theologi-

cal Seminary. David is married to the former Lynda Casstevens.

**Cammie Stephens** is working for the Democratic National Committee, Washington, D.C. She is living in Nashville, Tenn., and traveling the state helping the Tennessee State Democratic Party with political organizing and fund raising.

## 1985

**David Rothwell** of Little Rock successfully completed the certified public accountant examination given in November 1987. Rothwell works with Thomas & Thomas, CPAs.

**Lou Anne Scroggins**, El Dorado, was among those who recently passed the certified public accountant examination. Lou Anne is employed by Murphy Oil in El Dorado.

**Nicki Marie Walters** of Wagoner, Okla., graduated May 7, 1988, from University of Tulsa College of Law.

## 1986

**Gary Arnold** has been named account executive for Shotts-Vines & Associates in Little Rock. Arnold previously worked at a Hot Springs advertising agency on accounts for the Hot Springs Advertising and Promotion Commission and Mid-America Museum. His wife, **Portia (Massey)** ('84), is a pathologist at Lake Hamilton. They are expecting their first child in November.

**Stephanie Berg**, Washington, D.C., is now working as business manager for the Council for Early Childhood Professional Recognition.

**Phil Brown** has been serving as pastor of Denia Baptist Church in southeastern Spain along the Costa Blanca. Tuesday, Nov. 3, the area was hit by torrential rains and flooding. In a span of eight hours, Denia received 370 liters of water per square meter (approximately 82 gallons per square yard). The Denia Baptist Church, camp/conference center, kindergarten and radio recording studio all received extensive damage. The total cost of repairing the mission area projects was estimated at \$65,000.

**Stephen C. Jones** has joined the audit department of Baird, Kurtz & Dobson's Little Rock office. Jones has a master of business administration degree from Louisiana Tech University at Ruston.

**Jeff Stotts** is minister of music/youth at First Baptist Church, Mayflower, Ark. Jeff is working on a master's degree through the Seminary Extension Department in Little Rock. He lives in Conway.

**Phillip R. Watts**, a certified public accountant, of North Little Rock has been promoted to senior accountant in the Little Rock office of Baird, Kurtz & Dobson. Watts joined the firm in 1986. Since joining BKD, he has specialized in taxation, corpora-

tions, partnerships and financial projections.

## 1987

**Ronnie Clay and Kristi Mason** live in El Dorado. Ronnie is employed by First National Bank, and Kristi works with Murphy Oil Company. Their wedding is planned for June 11.

**Kim Hamilton**, most recently employed as a kindergarten teacher with Benton Public Schools, has been assigned as an elementary teacher in Macao.

**Gregory L. Phillips** assumed the position of manager of the Peoria Ball Company and School in May.

**Mike Shull**, North Little Rock, successfully completed the certified public accountant examination recently. Mike is employed by the firm of Baird, Kurtz & Dobson, CPAs.

**Brian Wells** is employed by Charter Hospital. He is a student in the doctoral program for marriage and family counseling at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary. His wife, Joni, is employed in the administration division of St. Joseph Hospital. Both are active members of Birchman Baptist Church, Ft. Worth.

## 1988

**Lea Gaines**, Hot Springs, Ark., has been assigned as an elementary teacher in Kwangju, Korea, by the Foreign Mission Board to begin work in July.

**Ancil A. Lea III** has been named regional sales representative for Medical Office Management Systems of Little Rock.

## MARRIAGES

### 1960

**Ruth Ann (Thomas) Wade** to Glynn T. Hill, Jan. 1, 1988, Nashville, Tenn.

### 1961

**Mary Ellen Venable (Kimmer)** to Edward N. Brogdon, July 2, 1987, Kennett, Mo.

### 1977

**Patricia Ann Marker** (f.s.) to Larry Robert Fincher, Little Rock, Ark.

### 1978

**Rene' Rogers** (f.s.) to Mark Wham, August 1987, Bellaire, Tex.

### 1980

**Jane Chu** to Rev. Jim Thompson, March 12, 1988, Lincoln, Neb.



■ **MISS OBU AND COURT** — Montie Edwards, a freshman from Norphlet, was crowned the 1988 Miss Ouachita Baptist University at the 22nd annual pageant held Saturday, April 9. Miss Edwards will represent the University at the Miss Arkansas Pageant this summer in Hot Springs. Her court consisted of: Christy Dozier of Mountain Home, Miss Congeniality; Denise Masters of Norman, Okla., third runner-up; Angel Bailey of North Little Rock, first runner-up; Miss Edwards; LaTasha Hardy of Malakoff, Tex., second runner-up; and Melanie Roberts of Stonewall, La., fourth runner-up.

**Douglas Lewis Holt** (f.s.) to Beth Ann Armstrong, Jan. 31, 1988, McGehee, Ark.

**Donna Deneece Whitley** to Clark Howard Wooten, Jan. 31, 1988, For-  
dyce, Ark.

**Terrie Lynn Wooldridge** (f.s.) to Kenny Joe Lewis, March 19, 1988, North Little Rock, Ark.

**1981**

**Leslie Smith** (f.s. '82) to John Klein, April 2, 1988, Bedford, Tex.

**1982**

**Jerrold David Brandt** to JoEllen Lee Lange, Feb. 13, 1988, Little Rock, Ark.

**Gary Gordon Kleck** to Brenda Michelle Thiel, March 26, 1988, North Little Rock, Ark.

**Julia Estes Meador** to **Danny Carter** ('88), Nov. 20, 1987, Berry Chapel, Arkadelphia, Ark.

**1983**

**Bennett Downs** (f.s.) to Sharon Beaty, April 23, 1988, Benton, Ark.

**Susan Hughey** to Bill Johnson, Aug. 22, 1987, Tiburon, Calif.

**Dr. David Bryant Inman** to Kristi Renee Herndon, March 12, 1988, Carlisle, Ark.

**Sandra D. Johnston** to George E. Dillin, March 13, 1988, Searcy, Ark.

**1984**

**Richard Calvin Atkinson** to Carol Gaye Brown, March 19, 1988, North Little Rock, Ark.

**Karen Nolen** to Charles Thomas Pearce, March 19, 1988, Benton, Ark.

**1985**

**Jimmy Wayne Brown** to **Janet Lynn Freeman** ('86), March 26, 1988, North Little Rock, Ark.

**Rebecca Dawn Goslee** (f.s.) to William Timothy Clyde Jones, Jan. 23, 1988, Hot Springs, Ark.

**Lou Anne Scroggins** to Marc Joseph Emrich, May 21, 1988, El Dorado, Ark.

**1986**

**Kevin Frierson** to Becky Byerly, March 5, 1988, Dallas, Tex.

**Kenneth Ray Lovelace** to Lygia Lavaun Groom, March 19, 1988, Fort Worth, Tex.

**Timothy Scott Scoggins** to Sally Smykla, Oct. 17, 1987, Pine Bluff, Ark.

**1987**

**Robert Raylan Duffer** to **Alisa Kay Stanton** (current student), Feb. 13, 1988, Little Rock, Ark.

**Mary Foy** to Keith Jones, Dec. 19, 1987, Booneville, Ark.

**David L. Paschall** to **Alexa Hall** (current student), May 21, 1988, Dallas, Tex.

**1988**

**Laurie Alice Lawhon** to **James Howard Jones III**, May 28, 1988, Little Rock, Ark.

**Tiffena Gail Pierce** to James Anthony Young, April 23, 1988, Hope, Ark.

**John Mark Schleiff** to **Angela Beth Shedd** (current student), May 28, 1988, Jonesboro, Ark.



Members of the class of 1938, newest Gold Tigers, who were present for May 6, 1988, reunion are: (front row) Tom Digby, Pen-Lile Compere Pittard, Louise Capps Mann, Elaine Millsapp Robertson and Rivos H. Dorris; (second row) Maxine Gary Cochran, Jerine Mathews May, Patty Whitten Lueken and Vera Cypert Jacobs; (third row) Gus Albright Jr., Augustus J. Goforth Jr., Ruth Meador Davis, Frances Morton Kelly and Cherry Winburn Wright; (back row) Alyene Capps Fowler, Paul H. Power, Vester Wolber and Thomas K. Goodman. The photograph was taken by Carl T. Schooley Jr., who received the Gold Tiger certificate for his late father.

**1968**

**Dennis and Nancy (Goodson) Mills**, Lauren Elaine, Oct. 30, 1987, Arkadelphia, Ark.

**1972**

**Dr. Neal and Jane Sumerlin**, Anna Marie, March 12, 1988, Lynchburg, Va.

**1973**

**Arthur and Tomi (Motley) Evans**, Emily Susannah, May 28, 1987, North Little Rock, Ark.

**Joe and Gay (Gladden) Pappin**, Margrette Beth, Jan. 3, 1988, Atlanta, Ga.

**1974**

**Leonard and Wanda (Bickham) Young**, Sarah Jean, April 11, 1988, Hope, Ark.

**1975**

**Ronald P. and Debbie (Rogers) Baker**, Elizabeth Ruth, March 20, 1988, Bengkulu, Indonesia. Brothers are Joshua Paul, 5½, Ethan Edward, 8½, and Aaron Patrick, 1½.

**Don and Melissa (Self) ('74) Butram**, Garland Montgomery, Feb. 28, 1988, Little Rock, Ark.

**Tom and Kenda (Hood) (f.s.) Fo-**

**ran**, Alexandra Lair, Dec. 23, 1987, Garland, Tex.

**James and Donna (Emoto) Fuji**, Thad Jay, Feb. 16, 1988, Eleele, Hawaii. Brother Joel Rand is 8 years old.

**Mike and Toni (Manning) (f.s. '75) Johnson**, Natalie Anne, Aug. 12, 1987, Little Rock, Ark.

**1976**

**Leo and Nancy (Lumpkin) Kane**, Chelsea Marie, April 7, 1988, Mansfield, Tex.

**Stephen Scott (f.s.) and Liza Harris Moore**, Ryan McClendon, Jan. 26, 1988, Ft. Smith, Ark.

**1977**

**Gary and Debra Lynn (Calaway) Hammond**, Natalie Nicole, Jan. 25, 1988, El Dorado, Ark.

**1978**

**Larry and Terri (Savage) Hankins**, Heather Brittany, Dec. 25, 1987, Ward, Ark.

**Jeff and Sara (Shell) ('83) Teague**, Jonathan David, Feb. 26, 1988, Walnut Ridge, Ark. Brother Justin is 2.

**Dr. Richard and Judy (Smith) Ticer**, Haley Elizabeth, April 4, 1987, Maumee, Ohio.

**1979**

**Nick and Dana (Woods) Adams,**

**Corrie Christine**, Dec. 25, 1987, Little Rock, Ark.

**Chuck and Susan (Voris) ('83) Atkinson**, Richard Kavanaugh, May 1, 1988, Arkadelphia, Ark.

**Stephen E. and Kathy (Thye) Dewbre**, Callie Kathryn, Dec. 16, 1987, Cabot, Ark. Sister Erin Elizabeth is 6, and Benjamin Thye is 3.

**Reggie and Michele (Fawcett) (f.s.) Dodson**, Nichole LeAnn, Aug. 11, 1987, North Little Rock, Ark. Brother Nathaniel is 5 years old.

**Jon and Donna (Tan) Meinecke**, Colin Yuen-Ming, Denton, Tex.

**1980**

**Travis and Jill (Jones) Holland**, Bryce Kevin, Oct. 28, 1987, Shawnee, Okla. Brother Tyler Jeffrey is 4.

**Neill and Kim (Maddox) Hunter**, Charles Neill Hunter, June 25, 1987, Bristol, Fla.

**Mike and Becky (Ingram) Southern**, Joel Michael, Aug. 4, 1987, Ft. Smith, Ark.

**1981**

**Steve (f.s.) and Shannon (Cardine) ('84) Ballinger**, Danielle Brooke, Oct. 29, 1987, Chantilly, Va. Sister Micah Marie is 2½.

**Scott and Debbie (Long) ('81) Carter**, Patrick Jacob, Jan. 11, 1988, Norphlet, Ark.

**David and Kay Fletcher**, Trevor James, March 8, 1988, Edmond, Okla. Sister Jennifer Leigh is 4½.

**Greg and Diane (Rogers) (f.s. '81) Harrison**, Andrew Clark, Dec. 16, 1987, Mabelvale, Ark.

**Britt and Melissa (Koonce) ('80) Marley**, Rhett Nicholas, March 5, 1988, Texarkana, Tex. Brother Justin is 5, and sister Nataleigh is 2.

**Van (f.s.) and Kathleen (McGinnis) ('79) Matthews**, Kimberly Laura, Aug. 3, 1987, Blytheville AFB, Ark.

**Bill and Sherri (Greer) Phelps**, Elizabeth Blair, Feb. 6, 1988, Arkadelphia, Ark.

**Mike and Laura (Smith) Scott**, Rachael Kathryn, Nov. 21, 1987, Hot Springs, Ark.

**Marty and Melissa (Hawkins) Simpson**, Christopher Martin, Jan. 17, 1988, Dell, Ark.

**1982**

**Randy and Rita (Sutterfield) Loooney**, Becca Christian, March 6, 1988, Little Rock, Ark.

**Phillip and Carleen (Corley) Powers**, Rebecca Nicole, Aug. 8, 1987, Little Rock, Ark. Brother Christopher is 6, and Matthew is 2.

**1983**

**Rick and Barbi (Wright) ('84) Briscoe**, Bethany Lynne, April 5, 1988, Spring, Tex.

**Michael and Shery (Caple) Edwards**, Michael Zacery, Oct. 31, 1987, Bloomburg, Tex.

**Sandy and Kim (Duke) Huckabee**, Stephen Christopher, Nov. 17, 1987, Arkadelphia, Ark.

**Carlos and Shannon (Bowen) (f.s.) Ichter**, Leslyn Elizabeth, Nov. 9, 1987, Carrollton, Tex.

**James "Tiger" and Laurie (Benson) ('81) Jordan**, Jessica Blair, Dec. 1, 1987, Hot Springs, Ark.

**Mike and Ronda (Murray) Watts**, Murray Redman, Oct. 9, 1987, Little Rock, Ark.

**1984**

**Scott and Rene' Embrey**, Matthew Scott, Nov. 11, 1987, Dallas, Tex.

**Dean and Sharon (Haygood) Schanz**, Kimberly Kay, Feb. 21, 1988, Danville, Ind.

**1985**

**Barry and Kara (Murphree) Bloomfield**, Bradley Stephen, March 19, 1988, Ruston, La.

**Mark and Wendy (McInvale) Kizar**, Michael Alan, Feb. 8, 1988, Lansing, Mich.

**DEATHS**

**1920**

**Lillian Haralson Taylor**, February 1988, Dallas, Tex. (formerly Augusta).

**1921**

**Dr. Carey Burchfield Batson**, Joppa, Md. (formerly of Greenbrier), April 21, 1988.

**1925**

**Grace Turner**, Marvell, Ark., February 15, 1987.

**1928**

**Mrs. Mildred (Smith) McPherson**, Hope, Ark., Jan. 22, 1988.

**1938**

**Willard L. Bratton**, Dumas, Ark., May 1988.

**D. S. Floyd**, Conway, Ark.

**1942**

**Rev. Seibert H. Haley**, Fayetteville, Ark., April 8, 1988.

**1943**

**Dr. Frank Ford Norfleet**, Kansas City, Mo., April 9, 1988.

**1949**

**Edward Parsons Ryan**, Greenville, N.C., Oct. 10, 1987.

**1950**

**Ray Rushing (f.s.)**, Bonham, Tex., Jan. 15, 1988.

**1968**

**Betty Jean (Rowe) Kennedy**, Little Rock, Ark., Feb. 2, 1988.

**1973**

**Ricky L. Dodd (f.s.)**, Texarkana, Ark., April 22, 1988.

**Former faculty and staff**

**1948**

**Dr. Henry C. Lindsey** of Atlanta, Tex., a retired college administrator for Howard Payne University, Brownwood, Tex., died April 30, 1988. Dr. Lindsey was a member of First Baptist Church and the American Legion and was an Air Force veteran of World War II. In 1964, Dr. Lindsey came to Ouachita as Vice President for Academics and Dean of the School of Arts and Sciences and Professor of Speech. Survivors are his wife, **Mrs. Natille (Pierce) ('53) Lindsey**; two sons, John Lindsey of DeQueen and Mark Lindsey of Fort Worth, Tex.; a daughter, Mrs. Denise Davis of Granburg, Tex.; a sister, Mrs. Helen Compere of Houston, Tex., and six grandchildren.

**1956**

**W. C. Ribble** of Albuquerque, N.M., died April 26, 1988, at age 89. Ribble, who was the first full-time president of New Mexico Baptist Foundation, served as student counselor and as chairman of the department of economics at Ouachita in 1956.

**Friends**

**Beatrice (MA) Green**, Arkadelphia, March 20, 1988.

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**BIRTHS**

**1963**

**Mel and Becky Brown**, Brock Evan, Jan. 11, 1988, Conroe, Tex.



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