

1989 Directory
of
Cokes Chapel
United Methodist Church

4113 Lower Fayetteville Road
Sharpsburg, Georgia 30277

Jeff Stone, Pastor
Church Telephone (404) 253-6052

HISTORY OF COKES CHAPEL CHURCH

1833 - 1989

Cokes Chapel was established about 1833 on the Bert Hill farm located about 3 1/2 miles from the present location. Named for Thomas Coke, one of the first Methodist Bishops, the congregation relocated to a log cabin structure at the present site about 1835, with the deed being passed to the Trustees in 1842. The present sanctuary was constructed in 1850 by the R.D. Cole Manufacturing Company for the sum of \$1100. The pillar supports still in use date from the time of segregating the congregation by race and gender into four sections. Dividers allowed only the preacher to see everyone while looking down from a pulpit mounted on a support.

The Cemetery is the resting place for slave and master, black and white, northerner and southerner. Capt. George Smith of the First Virginia Calvary, War of 1812, is buried here. On the front lawn the stepping stone used to mount and dismount animals and first fashioned in 1857 still stands. Dr. Luther Smith, later President of Emory College, was a member of Cokes Chapel as a boy.

Electricity came in 1940 and the Community House was built in 1949. The 1960's saw the addition of a portico and steeple with stained glass added in 1977. Long a part of the Turin Circuit, Cokes Chapel "went full time" in 1980 and constructed the parsonage that year.

Our Choir was organized in 1949 and several charter members still participate. Our Sunday School dates from 1899 and now has seven classes. The United Methodist Women serve the Church and Community in many projects (such as the organizing of this book) The Men's Fellowship has raised scholarship funds and given support to a local food bank. Children and Youth programs include Sunday School, Vacation Bible School, Choirs, outings, and Sunday Evening Fellowships.

In 1988 we became a Re-Developing Congregation and Rev. Jeff Stone became Cokes Chapel's eighty fifth pastor. With continued growth in our area the future looks bright. A continuing commitment to mission and ministry will assure that we are a force for the Gospel of Jesus Christ for many years to come.

OUR STAFF



Jeff Stone
Pastor



Opal Smith
Organist



Cindy Alexander
Pianist/Custodian



Charlene Lassetter
Choir Director



Kay Carter
Nursery



**John & Cindy Alexander,
Chad & Ryan**



**Tony & Kaye Beam,
Richie & Kevin**



**Harry & Nancy Bridges,
Cathy & Stephanie**



Al & Judy Burtz



**Kay Carter
& Sandra**



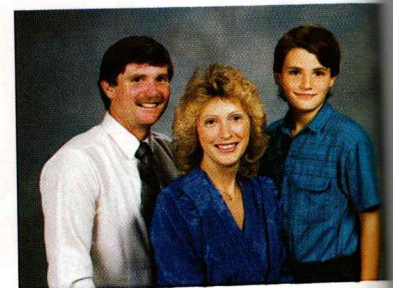
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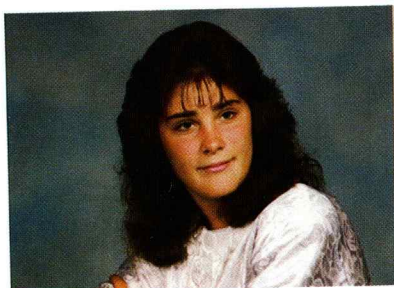
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& Kevin**



Earl & Marie Collins



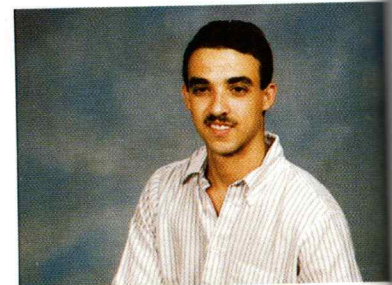
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& Joel**



Rebecca Collins



Cornelia Cunningham



Billy Earle



Al & Wilma Faulkner



Larry & Caroline Huckaby



Bill & Morelle Lassetter



Elaine Lassetter



Jr. & Judy Lassetter



**Lamar & Charlene Lassetter
& Claire**



Lee & Carrie Lassetter



Warren & Evelyn Leverette



**Michael & Terrie McFarlin,
Chris, Joe & J. T.**



Carl & Jill McKnight



**Mick & Wanda Moore,
Sheri & Scott**



Clint & Daphne Odom



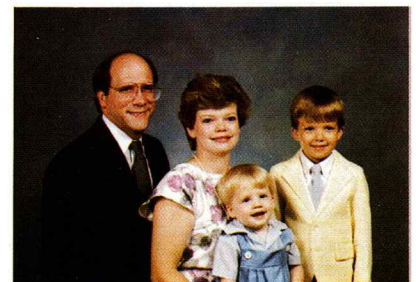
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& Nique**



Ed Parrott



Alice Smith



**Larry & Alicia Smith,
Kyle & Jason**



Merlene Smith



Opal Smith



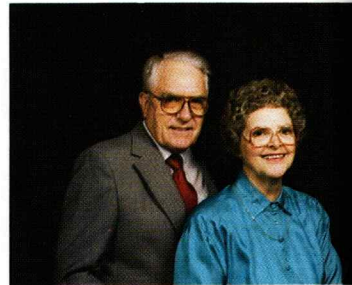
Bert & Anne Stewart



**Jeff & Karla Stone,
Sarah & Amanda**



Lillian Thompson



Joe & Lib Todd



**Pat Todd,
Michelle & Stephanie**



**Susan Todd,
Stephanie & Michelle**



**Bob & Carol Van Kirk
& Rachel**



**Tammy Vargas
& Courtney**



**Jerry & Sharon Veal,
Stephanie, Matt & Andy**



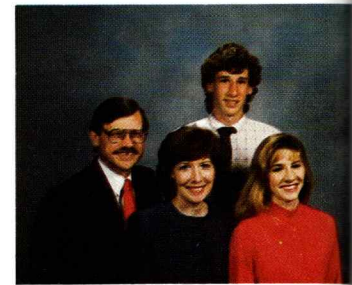
**Thomas & Patsy Vincent,
Clark, Angie & Michelle Anders**



**Marvin & Ann Westmoreland,
Lisa & Glynn**



**Bob & Ellen Wingo,
Robbie, Richie & Shannon**



**John & Sue Zimmerman,
Kristin & Mark**

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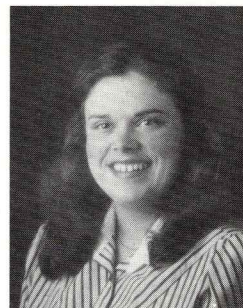
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Sarah, Jonathan & Mary Melinda



Sara Cunningham



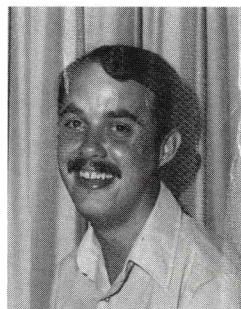
Cal & Kathy Lassetter



Jennie Todd



Mamie Vineyard



Ronald Vineyard