Macon, Georgia
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273 Belvedere Drive

Dear Mr. Milam.

I am not asking for any donations, nor am I selling anything. I am doing research on the Milams. So far with the help of relatives and Good Milams, I have gathered quite a bit of information. I am willing to share it with you if you are interested. If you will send me the names of relatives as you remember them, dates, funeral notices, or news items that have locations on them, I will go to the Genealogy Section of the Mac. Library and see if I can tie your information with what I have.

What am I getting out of this? Just the pleasure of knowing that I am doing that should have been done long ages. Most of the Milam History was buried with the ones that made it happen. I can only judge others as I judge myself. When there were people who wanted to pass on information (to be recorded or passed on "word of mouth") I was busy "Courting", making a living, raising my family, or just not giving a hoot. Now I am in that position. I am retired and have the time to research. I'm wanting to gather all the information I can and what I don't do, maybe someone can take up where I will leave off. I feel that if just one person "down the track" takes the information I have gathered and is able to join the UDC, DAR, or one of the historical organizations (that documented proof is required to join), I will have been well paid.

I am sending you a copy of the "Milam Coat of Arms" and a brief run down of my family tree. There are names of sons that I left off to shorten it. They had large families back there. I really have quite a bit of my line from 1850 on. Mary Pasley Milam left Laurens Dist., South Carolina in 1850 and from then until 1852 five of her sons followed her to Cass (Now Bartow) County. The 5 boys settled on the Etowah River west of Cartersville, Ga. Some of the descendants put down roots in around Cartersville, Ga. Among them: Farmers, Lawyers, 1 Banker, and another Ed Milam, who retired as Chief of Police of Cartersville, Ga. He is a 3rd. Cousin of mine and has been very helpful in locating the graves of my Great Grand Father, his wife, a nd my Great-Great Grandmother (Mary Pasley Milam).

I bought a book form Beatrice Bayley entitled "The Milam Family Heritage Book". In it there are the names of 3397 Milam Family locations. There are 3 in Utah. 1 in Moab, 1 in Cedar City, and 1 in Price. I have sent a letter to Joe Milam in Moab and I will try to get one to Stephen E. Milam in Price. They may be relatives of yours. That is where I got your name. I hope that you are, or have been interested in all of the Milams. Looking forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely, Ed S. Melone, Gr. Ed S. Milam, Jr.