BROUN

FAMILY TREE

1740-1964

by

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The above Coat of Arms is similar to the one which the family had in France. The helmet and lances were added to the Broun Coat of Arms after the emigration to Scotland as a result of gallant services rendered by Sir Patrick Broun, who was the first member of the Broun Family to be raised to the English Peerage in 1686.
It is with a great deal of pleasure and satisfaction that I submit the following genealogy of the Broun Family. My reason for compiling this genealogy is that my father was Edwin LeRoy Broun, born March 7, 1854, died April 20, 1918, and was buried in Sharon Cemetery in Middleburg, Virginia. With this as a brief background, I would like to make the following observations:

Major Thomas L. Broun, my grandfather's brother, predicated this family tree and did extensive research until his death March 3, 1914. Major Broun was born in Middleburg, Virginia on December 26, 1823, and while serving with the Confederacy in February, 1862 sold his iron-gray Greenbriar County-bred horse to General Robert E. Lee, who named the horse "Traveller". It became the general's favorite mount and one of the most famous war horses in history.

My grandfather's brother, William LeRoy Broun, M. A. LLD born October 1, 1827, died January 23, 1902, was a distinguished master of arts at the University of Virginia, where he was a student. In 1852 he was elected to a chair in a college in Mississippi, thus beginning a distinguished career in education that was to span a half a century. In 1854-6 he was Professor of Mathematics in the University of Georgia; a year subsequent he founded Bloomfield Academy, perhaps the most successful classical school in Virginia and continued that institution until the beginning of the Civil War. At the outbreak of hostilities, he quickly responded to the call of his state. In the Confederate Army he rose to the rank of Lieutenant-Colonel in the Ordnance Department, and on account of his high mathematical and scientific attainments was made commandant of the arsenal at Richmond, one of the most important positions in the Confederate Service. Dr. Broun, perhaps gave the last order in Richmond in directing the blowing up of the Confederate arsenal. After the war, Dr. Broun again entered the work of education as Professor of Physics in the University of Georgia, and later became President of the Georgia Agricultural and Mechanical College. In 1875 he was elected Professor of Mathematics in the newly established University of Vanderbilt at Nashville, Tennessee. In 1881-2, together with such distinguished educators as Mallett, of the University of Virginia, Humphreys of Vanderbilt and Tallichet of Sewanee, he was called to assist in organizing the University of Texas. He filled here the Chair of Mathematics and was made Chairman of the Faculty. In 1881 he returned to Auburn, where he continued until the close of his life as President of the Alabama Polytechnic Institute.
My grandfather's brother, Captain Joseph M. Broun, was born December 23, 1835 and despite an injury to his left arm while serving with the Kanawha Riflemen as a private, he was commissioned captain and assistant quartermaster of the 3rd Kanawha Regiment. Captain Broun was on duty at Washington, Georgia in January, 1865 when Quartermaster General Lawton directed Broun to take command of the special wagons, which contained an estimated $150,000 in gold and silver removed from the Confederate Treasury. It was a perilous assignment, and President Davis informally promoted him to major, but it was too late to confirm the promotion or even to issue a commission, as the days of the Confederacy were numbered. While the enemy was all around and in pursuit and the organized Confederate Government had broken up, troops in the field were scattering and in disarray. Amidst all this disorder and danger, Captain Broun was able to pay each Confederate soldier who presented himself $20, and after paying the troops at hand, there remained something like $100,000 which was placed in a bank vault. Eventually the United States Government took charge of the gold, and in 1893 a United States Court of Claims awarded $16,000 to the Richmond banks, and the balance was retained by the government. In 1870 Major Joseph Broun returned to Charleston and took up his law practice. Later he moved his law offices to Madison, where he died in December, 1908.

As the result of extensive research, it has been developed that the Broun Family traces its origin back to 1315, at which time Thomas Broun was then Lord Mayor of Bordeaux, France. The ancestors of William Broun, the first member of the Broun Family to come to the United States, emigrated from Bordeaux, France to Scotland (North Britian), where they adopted the name Broun. William Broun was a direct descendant of William Broun of Colstoun (1480), and also a direct descendant of Sir Patrick Broun, who was the first member of the Broun Family to be raised to the English Peerage, 1686 for gallant service.

The following quotation is from "Over the Lowlands" by Michael Brander published in 1965 in Great Britain by Cox and Wyman Ltd., Reading and published by Geoffrey Bles Ltd. page 199:

"It is not easy to find this remnant of the wizard, de Gifford, but we found it after walking across a field. Very little remains today and it is ivy-grown and crumbling. The 'hall with an arched roof', is still fairly entire, but little else. The position has been a good one on a promontory above the Hopes glen and on a fine day it is a pleasant expedition to be recommended.

Also connected with Hugo de Gifford is the remarkable story of the Colstoun Pear. The estate of Colstoun, a little south of Gifford, is the seat of an old East Lothian family named Broun. In the thirteenth century, according to family tradition, a Broun married the wizard's daughter. On the way to the church the wizard picked a pear and gave it to the young man, informing him that this was his daughter's dowry and that as long as the pear was carefully
preserved, the family of the Brouns would flourish, but that they
must take care to avoid it being damaged.

For nearly three hundred and fifty years the Pear was care-
fully preserved and retained its fresh bloom and appearance, as if
newly picked. Then in the seventeenth century came a disaster. In
1685, Sir George Broun, then laird of Colstoun, married Lady Eliza-
beth Mackenzie, daughter of Lord Cromartie. While pregnant she felt
an uncontrollable urge to taste the Pear and took a bite out of it.
The Pear at once shrivelled as hard as a stone and, turned black, as
it still is today with the teeth marks plainly visible.

Misfortune promptly followed. Sir George, gambling heavily
with his brother-in-law, fell into debt and was forced to sell
Colstoun to his brother Robert. In 1703, Robert and his family were
returning from attending the last Scots Parliament when the coach
overturned while fording the flooded Colstoun Water. Robert and his
two sons were drowned. Margaret Broun, his wife, who was wearing a
green hooped skirt, which buoyed her up, was saved along with her
daughter, Jean.

Jean Broun grew up and married her cousin, Charles Broun, and
the family continued to the present day, though on occasions through
the female line. Apparently the Pear had been adequately compensat-
ed for the unfortunate bite, but the family have not forgotten the
episode. It is said that when Lady Susan Broun Ramsay came to
Colstoun in 1861, she discovered a portrait of Lady Elizabeth
banished to the attic and face to the wall. Even today the Pear is
not shown to people outside the family.

'We don't really feel that it approved of being shown to people',
explained Lady Brown Lindsay, and with such a history, who can blame
anyone for feeling a little uneasy."

Sincerely,

Philip H. Broun

P. S. The following Brown Genealogy was brought up to date in
1964 by me, after many years of research. I had it made
into a loose leaf book in 1970 without attempting to
bring the genealogy up to date since 1964.

In the back are several blank pages, which will enable
you to continue the genealogy.

P.H.B.
William BROWN,
a Lawyer of Lancaster County, Virginia, was the son of George and
Margaret Brown of Scotland and emigrated to Norfolk, Virginia about
1740 where he married Janet McAdam on October 22, 1771 and had 5
children. Janet McAdam was the daughter of Dr. Joseph McAdam and
Sarah Ann Gaslins, daughter of Colonel Edwin Conway, and his wife,
Ann Ball, the half sister of the mother of George Washington; Ann Ball
being the daughter of Colonel Joseph Ball (and Elizabeth Romney, his
wife), who was a Burgess for Lancaster County, Virginia for the years
1695, 1698 and 1702. Janet McAdam Brown died April 9, 1793. 
William Brown died October 23, 1797.

George McAdam BROWN
m. 1815 to Stowers

Ann Lee BROWN
b. Nov. 8, 1775 d. s.p. Nov. 16, 1849

Thomas BROWN
b. June 11, 1777 d. Feb. 10, 1834
m. Rose Ann Waters - 1 daughter, died
in infancy. Mother died June, 1805
m2 Oct. 29, 1807 to Elizabeth Gaslins
Lee of Cobbs Hall - 8 children

Harriet BROWN
b. Oct. 4, 1779 d. April 11, 1818
m. . . . . Carpenter - 2 children who
died quite young

George McAdam BROWN M.D.
b. Sept. 7, 1808 d. June 24, 1880
m. June 11, 1846 to Eliza Bruce Gibson
She d. Dec. 14, 1896 - 10 children

James William BROWN
b. June 23, 1810 d. June 27, 1810

Harriet Ann BROWN
m. Oct. 19, 1828 to Stephen Garland
Bailey - 9 children

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Edwin Conway BROWN
b. Mar. 9, 1831 d. Aug. 10, 1839
m. Dec. 3, 1807 to Mrs. Maria Hale,
daughter of Col. Crane. She was
b. Mar. 3, 1787 d. Aug. 28, 1818
- 4 children:
m Aug. 10, 1819 to Elizabeth Channel
b. Feb. 10, 1802 d. Jan. 15, 1838,
daughter of Dr. James Channel
- 11 children

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A son was born
b. Mar. 13, 1847 and lived only a few
hours

Bernard Bledsoe BROWN
b. Feb. 28, 1848 d. May 19, 1935

Maria BROWN

Robert Bruce BROWN
b. Nov. 26, 1851 d. Jul. 12, 1860

Rebecca BROWN
b. Jan. 4, 1854 d. Aug. 7, 1940

Thomas Dade BROWN
b. Jan. 4, 1858 d. Apr. 7, 1858

Eleanor Bruce BROWN
b. Apr. 4, 1859 d. Aug. 31, 1926
m. Jan. 3, 1894 to Aylett Hawes
Buckner - 2 children

Robert Bruce BROWN
b. Feb. 12, 1862 d. Oct. 15, 1934

Virginia Mae BROWN
b. May 10, 1864 d. Mar. 8, 1942
Spinster

Henry Lee BROWN
b. Sept. 20, 1866 d. Apr. 28, 1901

Mary Carter BUCKNER
b. Dec. 28, 1894 d.
m. Albert Blackmon - 1 child
divorced

Hawes BUCKNER
b. Apr. 22, 1898 d.
m. Oct. 27, 1933 to Lillian B.
Andrews - 3 children

William James BUCKNER
b. Sept. 18, 1934 d.
m. Feb. 1, 1960 to Margaret Strupciew

Frank Andrews BUCKNER
b. Dec. 6, 1936 d.

John BROWN BUCKNER
b. Nov. 19, 1938 d.
m. Oct. 15, 1960 to Barbara Seltzer
Edwin Conway BROUN
b. Aug. 28, 1818 d. Aug. 29, 1879
m. Nov. 16, 1841 to Catherine Barbara Hopkins, (she d. Mar. 11, 1903)
- 3 children

Kate Conway BROUN
b. Feb. 21, 1832 d. June 12, 1921
m. Nov. 4, 1884 to Samuel Rogers Fred
- 5 children

Edwin LeRoy BROUN
b. Mar. 7, 1854 d. April 20, 1918
m. April 16, 1884 to Louisa Armistead Thruston
- 5 children

Nannie Conway FRED
b. Dec. 23, 1885 d. Spinsters

Frank Lee FRED
b. Jan. 7, 1892 d. Oct. 25, 1894

Samuel Hamilton Rogers FRED
b. Oct. 2, 1893 d. Dec. 5, 1923 to Dorothy Kepler
- 1 child

Dorothy Ann FRED
- 1 child

Daniel Michael SMITHWICK, JR.
b. Oct. 27, 1959 d.

Elizabeth Morton Tidball BROUN
m. June 30, 1914 to Homer Amos Spitter
- no issues

Edwin Conway BROUN
m. June 10, 1920 to Marian Faye Sullivan, she d. July 12, 1934
- 2 children
mz June 23, 1951 to Neil Crump
Henderson, a widow - no issues

George Armistead Thruston BROUN
m. April 1, 1920 to Seawillow Long
Divorced - no issues
mz June 3, 1933 to Carletta Gydson
Faye, a widow - no issues

George Armistead Thruston BROUN
m. April 1, 1920 to Seawillow Long
Divorced - no issues
mz June 3, 1933 to Carletta Gydson
Faye, a widow - no issues

Philip Hopkins BROUN
b. Aug. 25, 1931 d. July 21, 1947 to Kathleen Blakely Rice, a widow - no issues

Katherine Barbara BROUN

Barbara Faye BROUN
b. Aug. 11, 1921 d. Jan. 23, 1949 to Louis Bennett Porterie
Porterie - 5 children

Edwin Conway BROUN, JR.
b. Aug. 21, 1923 d. June 16, 1951 to Matilda Clare Williams
Williams - 5 children

Gaston Louis Noel PORTERIE
b. Dec. 12, 1949 d.

George Armistead Thruston BROUN
m. April 1, 1920 to Seawillow Long
Divorced - no issues
mz June 3, 1933 to Carletta Gydson
Faye, a widow - no issues

Edwin Conway BROUN
b. Aug. 28, 1818 d. Aug. 29, 1879
m. Nov. 16, 1841 to Catherine Barbara Hopkins, (she d. Mar. 11, 1903)
- 3 children

Samuel Rogers Fred
b. Mar. 22, 1887 d. June 21, 1913 to Rosa Helen Parrott
- 2 children

Frank Lee FRED
b. Jan. 7, 1892 d. Oct. 25, 1894

Mary Katherine FRED
b. Nov. 17, 1921 d.
m. Jan. 1, 1941 to Merle McPardon
McPardon - 4 children

Margaret Caldwell FRED
b. Oct. 10, 1926 d.
m. June 17, 1947 to Ben Moore
Rawlings, Jr. - 3 children

Rosalie Broun FRED
b. Feb. 26, 1925 d.
m. Aug. 28, 1950 to Thomas L.
Moffatt - 2 children

Merle McPardon
b. June 17, 1947 d.
m. June 16, 1951 to Matilda Clare
Williams - 5 children

Margaret Caldwell FRED
b. Oct. 10, 1926 d.
m. June 17, 1947 to Ben Moore
Rawlings, Jr. - 3 children

James Robinson HEDGES, III

Mary Lee HEDGES
b. Mar. 18, 1943 d.

Margaret Ann HEDGES
b. May 31, 1953 d.

Ashley Carter MOFFATT
b. Nov. 19, 1951 d.

Courtney Wren MOFFATT
b. Nov. 10, 1954 d.

Stacy Neil BROUN
b. June 5, 1954 d.

Elizabeth Clare BROUN
b. Mar. 16, 1956 d.

Nancy Anne BROUN

Marian Faye BROUN
b. April 15, 1962 d.

Philip Benjamin Broun
b. Nov. 7, 1857 d. Feb. 19, 1886
Batchelor

Philip Hopkins BROUN
b. Aug. 25, 1931 d. July 21, 1947 to Kathleen Blakely Rice, a widow - no issues

Katherine Barbara BROUN

Barbara Faye BROUN
b. Aug. 11, 1921 d. Jan. 23, 1949 to Louis Bennett Porterie
Porterie - 5 children

Edwin Conway BROUN, JR.
b. Aug. 21, 1923 d. June 16, 1951 to Matilda Clare Williams
Williams - 5 children

Gaston Louis Noel PORTERIE
b. Dec. 12, 1949 d.

Marian Broun PORTERIE
b. Feb. 28, 1951 d.
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- Emmett Brown COAKLEY
  b. about 1880
  m. Mamie Cronin - 1 child
- Emmett Brown COAKLEY, JR.
  b. d.
- Batchelor
- Edna Ernestine COAKLEY
  b. about 1882
  m. William B. Jennett - 2 children
- Ernestine JENNITT
  b. d.
  m. Homer Bowie - 1 child
- Homer BOWIE, JR.
  b. d.
- Beulah Towsend COAKLEY
  b. Nov 7, 1914
  m. Jan 7, 1931 to John Calvin Hamilton - 2 children
- William Carleton COAKLEY
  b. May 17, 1917
  m. Oct 10, 1940 to Celeste Elizabeth Gorham - 2 children
- Wayne Carleton COAKLEY
  b. Nov 27, 1941
- Gene Lynne COAKLEY
  b. Apr 23, 1943
- Lilly Jane HUTT
  b. d.
  m. William Coakley - 7 children

- Susie Caroline COAKLEY
  b. d.
  m. William Kinolving COAKLEY
  b. Apr 20, 1888
  m. Sept 20, 1913 to Beulah Eva Townsend - 2 children
- Frank Hutt COAKLEY
  b. 1892 d. 1947
  m. Anita Estelle Cook - 6 children
- Myrtle Lee COAKLEY
  b. d.
  m. June 17, 1924 to Mary Catherine - 1 child
- Margaret Lee COAKLEY
  b. Nov 18, 1926
  m. Jan 21, 1947 to John Kendrick Shelton, Jr. - 4 children
- Gary Lee SHELTON
  b. Nov 19, 1947
- Robert Wesley SHELTON
  b. Apr 5, 1951
- Janice Louise SHELTON
  b. Apr 24, 1953
- Lynn Ann SHELTON
  b. May 31, 1955
- John Biggs COAKLEY
  b. 1925
  m. Joan - 2 children
- David Huddleston COAKLEY
  b. 1928 d. 1958
  m. Charlene - 1 child
- Dale Gowen COAKLEY
  b. 1948
- Beverly Ann COAKLEY
  b. 1951
- Patricia Ann COAKLEY
  b. 1952
- Penny COAKLEY
  b. 1955
- John Calvin HAMILTON, JR.
  b. Feb 16, 1932
- William Reynolds HAMILTON
  b. Oct 14, 1939
- William Talmadge COAKLEY
  b. 1921
  m. Dorothy - no issues
- Paul Eugene COAKLEY
  b. 1923
  m. Jeannett Irene - 1 child
- Bonnie Jean COAKLEY
  b. 1944
- Frank Hutt COAKLEY (twin)
  b. 1918
  m. Rosemond - 4 children
- George Edward COAKLEY (twin)
  b. 1918
  m. Elizabeth - 3 children
- George Edward COAKLEY, JR.
  b. 1948
- John Morris Luilon COAKLEY
  b. 1951
- Paul Morris COAKLEY
  b. 1952
- Sandra Lynn COAKLEY
  b. 1947
- William Francis COAKLEY
  b. 1952
- Anita Leigh COAKLEY
  b. 1957
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Jane Ann BROUN
b. Nov. 25, 1814 d. Jun. 27, 1863
m. Dec. 22, 1842 to Samuel Bailey Atwill – 5 children

Benjamin Broon ATWILL
b. m. Mar. 16, 1868 to Bessie Jones
6 children (Bessie d. Jan. 2, 1878)
mz Oct. 1896 to Lillian V. Cox – no issues

Samuel Francis ATWILL
b. d. In battle of New Market when 18 yrs. old

Rev. William Henry ATWILL
b. 1846 d. m. Margaret Guion – 2 children
mz Frances Cato – 1 child
mz Mary Browder – 4 children
mz 1895 to Minnie Christine Harris
– 2 children
mz 1910 to Mrs. Carrie Heath – no issues

Mary Brown ATWILL
m. Nov. 30, 1869 to Henry Doby King – 2 children

Martha Blanch KING
b. d.

Frank KING
b. d. In Infancy

Edwin Guin ATWILL
b. d. In Infancy

Jennie ATWILL
b. d. In Infancy

Robert Bailey ATWILL
b. d.

William Henry ATWILL, JR.
b. 1885 d. 1951

Mary Clay ATWILL
b. 1890 d.

Carrie Heath ATWILL
b. 1892 d.

Fred ATWILL
m. Jennie Jackson – 1 child
mz Sally Allen

John ATWILL
b. d. In Infancy

Kate ATWILL
b. Sept. 18, 1870 d. Feb. 13, 1943
Spinster

Samuel Francis ATWILL
b. Nov. 18, 1871 d.
m. Sadie Crowder – 3 children

Letitia ATWILL
b. Sept. 6, 1873 d. Sept. 25, 1891

Bessie ATWILL
b. Feb. 6, 1875 d.
m. William Hutt – 3 children

Joseph HUTT
b. d.
m. Nell Sublet

Samuel Francis ATWILL, JR.
b. Jul. 5, 1906 d.
m. Charlotte Weymouth

William Jones ATWILL
b. Dec. 30, 1908 d.
m. Evalyn Lewis

Joseph Warren HUTT
b. Jan. 5, 1930 d.
m. Argenbright Patrina – 2 children

Elizabeth HUTT
b. May 24, 1911 d. Sept. 24, 1928
m. Frances Reed

William Young HUTT
b. Jun. 29, 1905 d.
m. Susan Shearwood – 2 children

Joseph Warren HUTT, III
b. Dec. 12, 1955 d.
m. Evelyn Lewis

Elizabeth Susan HUTT
b. Aug. 6, 1933 d.
m. William J. Williams

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Stephen Bailey ATWILL
b. d. Nov. 25, 1905
m. 1877 to Mary Susan Bailey – 7 children

Frank Harris ATWILL
b. 1900 d.

Margaret Coke ATWILL
b. Aug. 21, 1902 d.
m. Oct. 12, 1927 to Pembroke Decatur Gwaltney, III – 3 children

Batchelor

Joseph Jones ATWILL

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Judith Lee BROUN
b. Jul. 6, 1872
d. Oct. 1, 1949
m. Octavius Lawson - 2 children

Margaret Stephoe LAWSON
b. Apr. 20, 1841
d. Apr. 8, 1922
m. Apr. 15, 1866 to Capt. John Fitzhugh Hughlett - 3 children

Maud Fitzhugh HUGHLETT
b. Mar. 17, 1867
d. Sept. 17, 1893
m. 1890 to Guthrie Rayner Dunton
1 son

Guthrie Rayner DUNTON, JR.
b. Mar. 25, 1892
d. Nov. 24, 1949
m. May 12, 1917 to Margaret Jane Treska - 4 children

Charles Landon Carter HUGHLETT
b. May 12, 1899
d.
m. Oct. 8, 1938 to Dorothy Keefe
1 child

Charles Landon Carter HUGHLETT, JR.
b. Dec. 1, 1945

Margaret Fitzhugh HUGHLETT
b. Mar. 2, 1911
d.
m. Jul. 20, 1937 to Richard B. Helms
1 child

Richard Lee HELMS
b. Nov. 4, 1945

John Fitzhugh HUGHLETT
b.
d.
m. Octavius Winter HUGHLETT, JR.
b. Oct. 11, 1902
d.
m. Nov. 2, 1932 to Lucille Ruby Henderson - no issues

Octavius Winter HUGHLETT
b. Sept. 4, 1875
d. Nov. 24, 1949
m. Aug. 5, 1909 to Charles DeVault - 3 children

John Lee HUGHLETT
b. Aug. 7, 1914
d.
m. Oct. 5, 1945 to Susan Goetschius - 1 child

John Lee HUGHLETT, JR.
b.
d.
m. Sept. 29, 1949

James DeVault HUGHLETT
b. Jun. 2, 1937
d.
m. Mar. 1, 1936 to Geraldine Davis - 3 children

Katherine Fitzhugh HUGHLETT
b. Aug. 18, 1940
d.

Amy Lou HUGHLETT
b. Jul. 11, 1949

James Rayner DUNTON
d.

Daniel Scott DUNTON
b. Apr. 23, 1958
d.