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The direct descendants of the late Reverend william H. Dugger and Mrs. Kathy Cornelia Talley, butham, held their first Family Reunion in hiladelphia, Pennsylvania recently. Genealogists ave traced the family roots from Vance County, Oxrd and Durham, North Carolina. The families of e late Mary M. Dugger Green and Frances Dugger arsh selected the "City of Brotherly Love" to meet th their oldest surviving member of the family, rs. Kitty B. Cornelia Talley Dugger Curtis. Mrs. rtis, who celebrated her 86th birthday anniversary August 1, is the widow of the late John L. Curtis Durham.

A "Get Acquainted Cocktail Party" was held on iday at the adjoining home of Mr. and Mrs. Earl and their daughter, Ms. Tana Reed. Saturday s the focal point of the three day festive occasion. picnic and banquet were held at the Haddington mmunity Organization, 55th Street and Haverd Avenue. Activities of the day included reminisc-

### Happiness Is: Mrs. Frances Stewart Celebrates 109th Birthday

Hillcrest Rest Home was the scene of an unusual currence on Friday, August 14 where it would have en a difficult task to place 109 candles on a birthay cake as Mrs. Frances Stewart celebrated her 9th birthday anniversary.

Mrs. Effie Edwards, Celious Stewart and Mrs. amae Bailey were present to help their tentennarian-plus" mother-grandmother enjoy the

Ms. Vivian H. Walker, a member of St. Joseph's ME Church, accompanied by Fred Mason, Jr., of mmanuel Temple SDA Church, furnished the music-ith such songs as "The Old Rugged Cross", Jacob's Ladder", "Where He Leads Me" and How Great Thou Art"

The honoree was all smiles and excited as she reived many gifts and cards from friends and latives. A card and flowers were received from ayor Harry Rodenhizer.

The rest home residents joined in the festive occaon as the singing could be heard throughout the ing, reviewing family portraits, and the Parade of Families. A beautiful scroll of the "Family Tree" was presented to Mrs. Kitty Curtis who responded with an orginal poem entitled, "Dugger Memoirs". An oil portrait of her late mother, Mrs. Mary M. Dugger Green, was presented to Mrs. Julia Cornelia Patterson, planning coordinator of the family reunion. A magic show and disco were provided for the children in attendance.

A farewell brunch was held for out-of-town guests at the home of Mrs. J. Cornelia Patterson on Sunday. Next year's family reunion is scheduled to take place in Durham.

Relatives and friends were in attendance from North Carolina, Pennsylvania, Connecticut, Washington, D.C., and New York. Those in attendance from Durham were: William A. Marsh, III, John H. Curtis, Mr. and Mrs. William Bumpers, Mr. and Mrs. J. Quinton Parker, Michael Parker and guest, Ms. Ann Fulton, Ms. LaQuinta Parker and Mrs. Lucinda Harris.

## Retirement Dinner-Dance

On August 8, a buffet dinner and dance were held at the Downtowner Motor Inn to honor Mrs. Lettie B. Herndon on her retirement from the Veterans Administration Hospital. She was feted by her supervisors, co-workers, family and friends. Honors included gifts and tributes of appreciation for her years of dedicated service. A special gift was a beautifully inscribed clock/plaque unit from her supervisors and co-workers.

Mrs. Herndon, an ever-busy person, plans to spend her retirement in further humanitarian and church activities as well as getting in some relaxation.

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