

HISTORY OF BOOKER T. WASHINGTON SCHOOLS

Compiled By

Mrs. M. A. Tyrone and Mrs. O. B. Wilson

Systematic institutions, like giant oaks, were not achieved over night. Each accomplishment has come as the result of time, labor, and ingenuity on the parts of those interested. Thus as one looks back at the Booker T. Washington School of Marlin and thinks of its contribution to the community and to society in general and a second look at the many, many productive students it produced, he must of necessity consider the acorn from which it grew.

Soon after the dark days of slavery had been dispelled and Blacks had an opportunity to establish the African Methodist Church in Marlin, a white man, the memory of whose name no longer lingers, established a school for Blacks in the little church that was located on a gully at the end of what is now called Davis Street, near the entrance of Evergreen Cemetery. Only a few students attended and becoming disgruntled at what they considered cruelty of the school master they withdrew, leaving the pedagogue to find his way into other fields.

Then Mr. Porter, the first Black to teach public school in Falls County, a man of musical ability, was chosen for the instructor. Because he was loved by the students and respected by the community he did much in creating a desire for knowledge among his pupils.

Mr. C. A. Wyman, father and grandfather of two of the members of the former Booker T. Washington faculty, was the next to guide the youth. He was succeeded by Mr. R. J. Willis. The school was moved into the Davis Chapel Church. Upon Mr. Willis' departure to Detroit, he recommended a pupil of his, Mr. Jesse Washington as his successor.

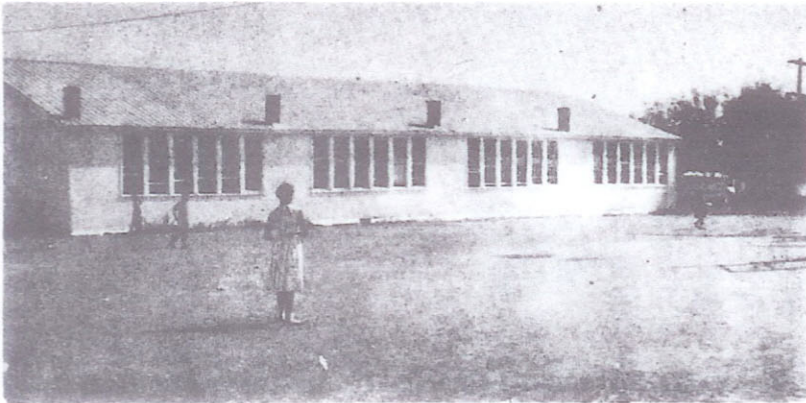
During Mr. Washington's administration the site on Samuels Street was purchased, regular school buildings with desks were provided and assistant teachers were added. Step by step the school grew until there were ten grades, the requisite of a high school at that time. Many young people remained in school and completed the course. (A member of the first class, Mrs. Agnes Skinner Washington, was later an instructor in this institution.) Reverses came and the school once more became an elementary grade institution.

In 1906 Mr. P. A. Stamps was elected principal. During his tenure a two story brick high school and several elementary buildings were erected. The school assumed its senior high school status with the addition of home economics, manual training and music departments. There was a vast increase in teachers and students, school clubs, literary societies and athletics were introduced. Sanitary connections, walks, and other conveniences were installed. A Parent-Teacher Association was activated and the school thrived for thirty-one years.

The position of the principal, vacant by the death of Mr. P. A. Stamps, was filled by Mr. H. J. Hines. Under this energetic leader process continued. Booker T. Washington School grew from "Class A" to "Class AAA" accreditation. Some of the accomplishments during his tenure were: the purchase and construction of the school plants on Commerce Street: Booker T. Washington School constructed in 1951, B.T.W. Junior High - 1955 and B.T.W. Elementary constructed in 1958. The Zion Hill School, a branch of B.T.W., was moved to Lower Commerce Street in 1947 and later moved into the newly constructed elementary; later the erection of home economics, vocational agriculture, music and athletic departmental buildings; a top-rated, well dressed band, a choral club, a state acclaimed vocational department; a modern air-condition cafeteria, a brilliant faculty of more than fifty-five members and more than 1,292 students.

A welcome innovation was the instigation of programs under President Johnson's Economic Opportunity Act. Under Title I this Act provided fifteen additional teachers and more classroom space was constructed.

On May 17, 1954 the U. S. Supreme Court handed down its decision overturning the separate but equal doctrine of the land. This historic victory for Blacks began desegregation of the Marlin schools one year at a time. The first Black student to attend Marlin High School was Ray Ellen Hughes in the school year of 1964-1965. The next year several Black students attended the predominantly White school. During the school year of 1968-69 the entire high school department was integrated. The total integration of Booker T. Washington and Marlin White schools came into being, the school year of 1969-70, thus closing the beautiful existence of the beloved Booker T. Washington Schools in Marlin, Texas.



ONE OF THE EARLY ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS



BOOKER T. WASHINGTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Dedication

P.A. STAMPS, SR.



PRINCIPAL OF BOOKER T. WASHINGTON SCHOOL 1906-1937

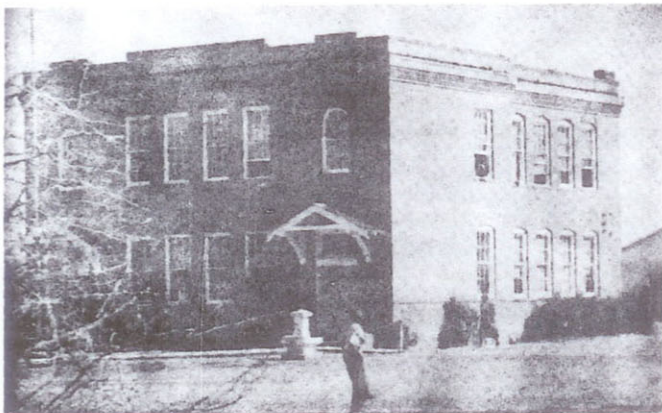
*"The evil that Men do lives after them;
The good is oft interred with their bones."*

Shakespeare

These words were not true of our late Principal, Perry Alvin Stamps, Sr., who took the helm of this institution when it was a small boat and steered its course for thirty-one years. During his leadership the boat grew and became a small ship. He steered its course through many storms, thus laying a secure foundation for construction of a larger vessel. He lent inspiration to those that could be inspired - He gave cheer to the cheerless - He lifted the fallen - He comforted those who needed comforting. He taught by precept and example.

"He stood at the helm-with the rudder in his hand, and was, indeed, a true friend to man."

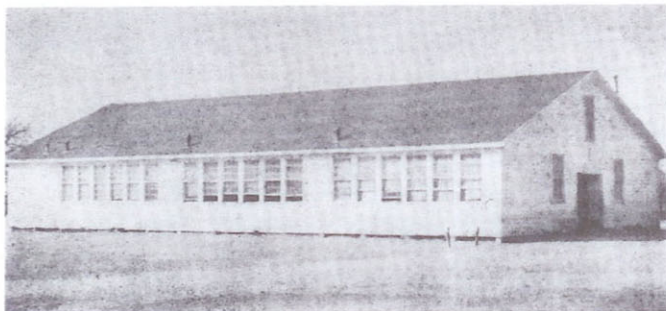
The good that he did lives after him in the lives of the many youths and grown-ups that passed his way and we pause here to pay homage to him by dedicating this - the first Booker T. Washington School Annual - - "The Wildcat" to his memory and those B.T.W. students who served in the armed forces of our country.



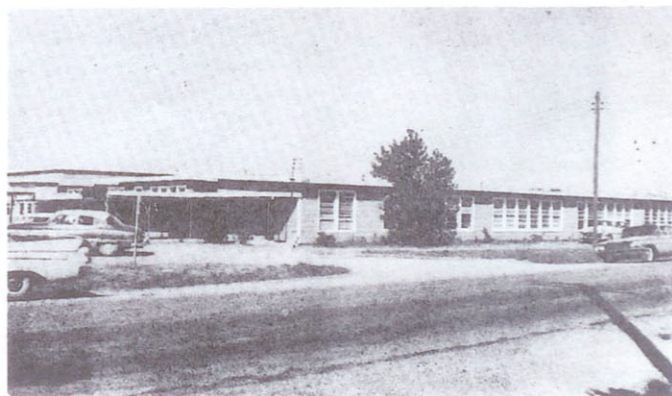
FIRST HIGH SCHOOL



HIGH SCHOOL



COMMERCE STREET ELEMENTARY SCHOOL



BOOKER T. WASHINGTON JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL

a
MESSAGE
from the
Principal



Dear Friends:

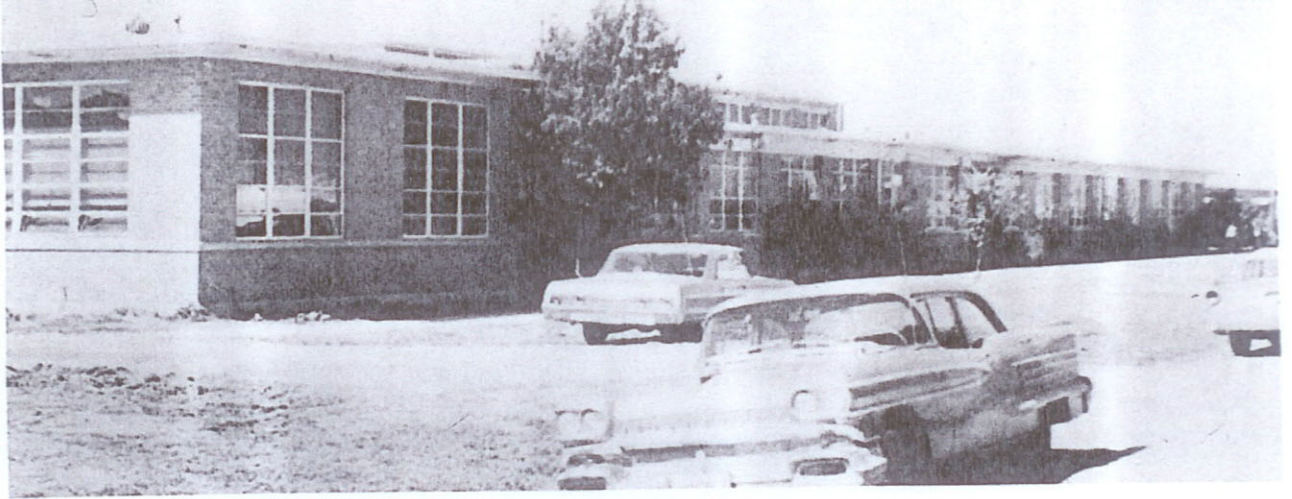
This volume represents our first effort to portray the achievements of the Booker T. Washington School in a year book. Quite properly, this Annual is dedicated to Booker T. Washington School's late Principal and students who served in the armed services of our country, and as they and their friends enjoy these pages, we want them to know that the old school they loved so well is "carrying on" in its traditional way of building for the future.

Congratulations are due the Wildcat Staff and its sponsors for their review of school life in Booker T. Washington School.

To the Seniors of 1946, we extend our best wishes in the undertakings that lie ahead of you. We have confidence in your willingness and ability to meet your responsibility, whether in the armed forces or in further educational preparation. May you have happiness and success.

Sincerely yours,

A. J. Hines



B. T. W. High School



Homemaking Cottage



Athletics Building



Agriculture & Band Buildings

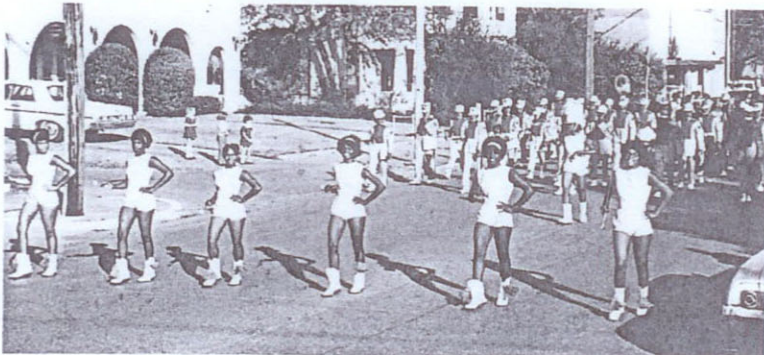


Elementary School

Junior High School



Booker T. Washington High School



Booker T. Washington
Homecoming, 1960

Faculty

MRS. STELLA A. KITCHEN COX
B.S. Degree; P.V. College



MR. C. S. MOORE

MRS. A. X. ROBERTSON
*P.V. Normal I. College;
Fisk, Undergraduate in Music;
A.B. Degree; Wiley; M.S. Degree;
P.V. University*



MRS. A. L. WASHINGTON
A.B. Degree; Tillotson College

MRS. L. M. HUNTER
B.S. Degree; P.V. College



MRS. A. E. S. JOHNSON
*B.S. and M.S. Degrees; P.V.C.;
Student of Howard U. (Music-
English) work toward a P.H.D.;
Degree in English U.S.C.*

MRS. V. P. WATSON
A.B. Degree; Tillotson College



MRS. W. J. BROWNE
A.B. Degree; Samuel H. College

Faculty

MRS. A. W. CARROLL
A.B.; Tillotson College



MRS. AGUSTA A. HIGHTOWER
Senior-P.V. College

MISS CORINTHA L. LARD
A.B. Degree; Tillotson College



MRS. ETHEL LARUE SMITH
A.B. Degree; Tillotson College

MRS. I. M. PUNCHARD
B.A. Degree; S.H. College
A former student of P.V.C.



MRS. MARY VIRGINIA DENSON
A.B. Degree; S.H. College

MRS. BULAH G. COTTON
Associate in Arts-Degree
Paul Quinn College



MRS. I. W. P. RICHARDSON
A.B. Degree; S.H. College

Faculty

MRS. MABLE TAYLOR TYRONE
A.B. Degree; S.H. College



MRS. CONSTANCE F. HUNTER HURDLE
B.A.; Bishop College



MRS. RUTH AIDA BARRETT
B.S. Degree; Bishop College



MRS. ESTELLE C. JACKSON
B.S. P.V. College



MRS. ANNIE GOLDEN DORSEY
Secretary



BOOKER T. WASHINGTON FACULTY

1951



Front Row (seated left to right): Mrs. A. X. Robertson; Mrs. J. M. Lowe; Mrs. S. A. Cox; Mrs. A. E. S. Johnson; Mrs. M. E. Hines; Mr. H. J. Hines, Principal; Mrs. Estelle Jackson; Mrs. V. P. Watson; Mrs. B. H. Masters; Mr. James Lynn; Mrs. M. V. Denson; Mrs. A. W. Carroll; Mrs. I. W. P. Richardson

Second Row (standing left to right): Mr. J. H. Lacy; Mrs. S. R. Miller; Mrs. Ethel Smith; Mrs. I. M. Punchard; Mrs. C. L. Carothers; Mrs. Doretha Nelms; Mrs. Tommie Washington; Mrs. J. A. Wyman; Mr. C. A. Wyman; Mrs. J. W. Browne; Mrs. O. D. Dawson; Mrs. Berdine Reese Randle; Mrs. Dorothy Kirk; Mr. W. A. Soders; Mrs. M. W. Williams; Miss Johnnie Brawley; Mr. Ras Dancy

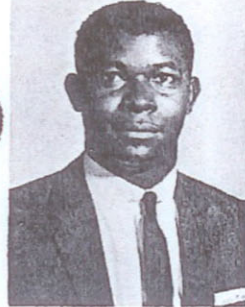
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Mrs. Barbara Adams



Robert V. Arnold



Royce Caldwell



Mrs. Lethia Dancy



Ras Dancy



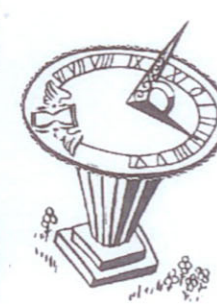
Mrs. Julia Dixon



Mrs. Jewel Dorsey



Richard Elder



Mrs. Lois Hooker



Mrs. Helen McCullough



Mrs. Arnie Moore



Mrs. Curine Sanders



W. A. Soders



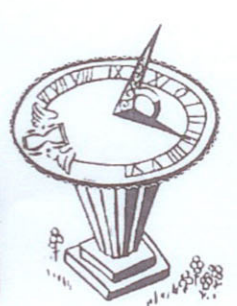
W. C. Thompson



Mrs. M. A. Tyrone



Alton Scott



Eddie Walton



Miss Evelyn Williams



Mrs. Betty Watson



Bishop Williams

TIDBITS

MASCOT – Wildcats

SCHOOL COLORS – Purple and Gold

SCHOOL SONG – “Hail Booker T. Washington”

SPORTS

Football, Basketball, Baseball, Track

ORGANIZATIONS

Band, Choir, NFA, NHA, Student Council, Explorer Post 320, Business Club, Dramatic Club, Library Club, Forensic Club, Spanish Club, Science Club, Camera Club, Girl Scouts Troop 17, Brownies

ACTIVITIES

Homecoming, Band Banquet, Athletic Banquet, Interscholastic League, Junior-Senior Prom

FOOTBALL YELLS

Two bits
Four bits
Six bits
A dollar;
All for the Wildcats
Stand up and holler!

One, two, three, four
Four, three, two, one
Who for
What for
Who you gonna yell for;
Wildcats! Wildcats!
Rah, Rah, Rah!

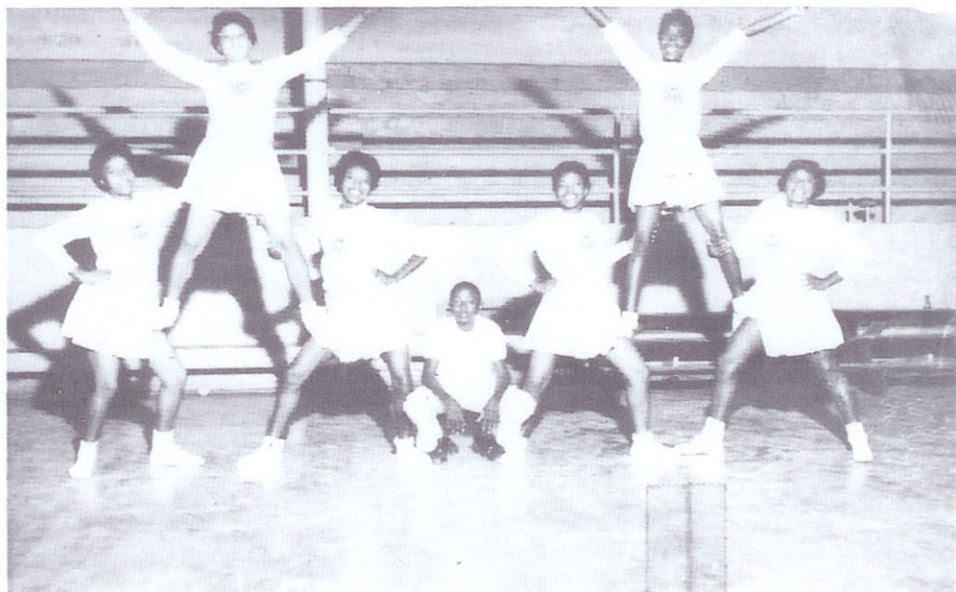


EARLY SCHOOL BAND
with Mrs. R. A. Barrett, Director and Mr. H. J. Hines



MEMBERS OF SCHOOL CHOIR

Left to right: Ann Woods, Cheryl Brown,
Joyce Cross, and Atlene Jackson



1960 - 61 CHEERLEADERS

Left to right: Mattie Jones, Bettye Alexander, Rubye Simpson, Willie P. Stricklin, Joyce Stricklin,
Mae A. Phillips, and Phyllis Bradley



1950 HOMECOMING QUEEN AND HER COURT

Seated (left to right): Miss Gamble, Ada Brown, Joyce Jones, Lovie Allen
Standing (left to right): Unknown, Elmond Masters, Billy Denson, Eugene Hill

HOMECOMING QUEENS



1949
Janice Martin
and escort, A. D. Gilmore



1953
Velma Shaw
and escort, Ray English



1958
Gloria Smith
and escort, Ray Fields



NFA ACTIVITY



NO. 1 IN TEXAS—Members of the Booker T. Washington High School girls track team who won first place at the state Inter-scholastic meet at Prairie View A&M College. Left to right, **Mattie Woods**, **Ruby Simpson**, **Mildred Stewart**, **Esterlene Butler**, **Florene Randall** and **Ruby Maxwell**.

GIRLS' TRACK TEAM



SENIOR CLASS
1946

Programs



Last Program for the Series

Commencement Program

Booker T. Washington High School

P. A. Stamps, Principal

May 27, 1932, at 8:30 p. m.

at Marlin Baptist Church

Processional

Anthem—"O, Savior of the World".....Goss
High School

Invocation—Rev. W. M. White, Pastor of Chapel M. E. Church

Chorus—"A Night in May".....Silver
Senior Girls

Salutatory—"Climbing Onward and Upward"....Constance Hunter

Piano Solo { Etude.....Wallenhaupt } Vivian Browne
 { "Whims".....Schuman }

Valedictory—"Careers in the Making".....Emma Lou Jones

Duet—"Magnolia Bloom"....Ora Bernice Wyman-Vera Lee Coe

Address.....Mr. G. W. Buchanan, Prairie View College

Selection.....Booker T. Washington Male Quartet

Presentation of Diplomas.....By the Superintendent

Class Song.....Graduating Class

Baccalaureate Sermon May 22, 1932, by Rev.

I. D. Coffee, Pastor St. Paul A. M. E. Church

ALMA MATER DEAR

Hail to Booker T. Washington,
Alma Mater Dear

Sing a joyful chorus,
Sound it far and near.

Rally round the Banner
It shall never trail.

Booker T. Washington
Alma Mater
Hail, Hail, Hail!

THIS

Diploma

CERTIFIES THAT

Blanche Hortense Lee

Having completed the **High School** Course of Study and passed the required examinations is hereby declared a Graduate of the

Booker T. Washington High School

In Witness Whereof we have affixed our signatures at
Marlin, Texas, this 25 day of May 1928

H. J. Milligan
Superintendent

P. A. Stamps
Principal

L. W. Glass
President

H. C. Linticum
Secretary

Do You Remember . . .



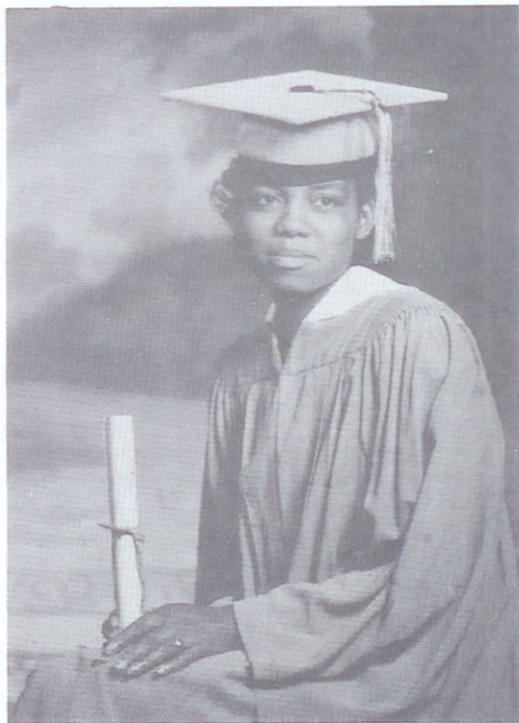
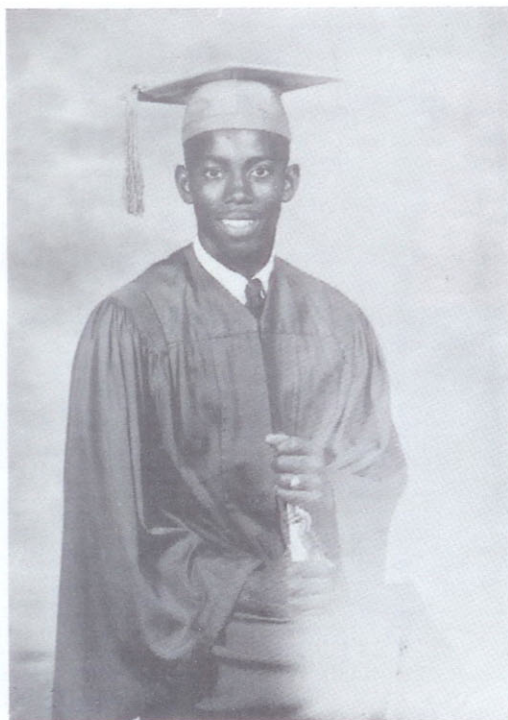
Marlin, Texas
Nov. 2, 1950

Dear Alumnae:

A Booker T. Washington High School Alumni Association has been organized, hoping to create a deeper interest in the Ex-Students for the school and its activities.

We feel that you would like to become a member of this group. If so send One Dollar, the annual membership fee to the Booker T. Washington Alumni Association, Box 88, Marlin, Texas.

The Homecoming game will be played Friday night Nov. 10, 1950 at 8:00 P.M. The Wild Cats will meet the Dabbar Dragons of Mexia. Can we expect you there? We will need your support to make this the most enjoyable and profitable Homecoming in the school's history. Be loyal to your Alma Mater and meet us at the game. Reservations have been made for all Ex-Students. Moses Carroll, President
Booker T. Washington Alumni Ass'n



IN MEMORY



Council S. Moore

Social Science teacher and Coach of the Wildcats in the Booker T. Washington High School from 1944 to the time of his death in 1956.

COMMENCEMENT PROGRAM
Last Graduating Class
Booker T. Washington High School

Order of Procession

Erna Jewell Davis	Cornell Jones
Mary Jo Curtis	James Earl Lee
Helen Laresa Murphy	George Davis
Celestine Lynn	Charles Henry Stewart
Shirley Ann Wilson	James Riley Bigham
Patricia Ann Davis	Ernest Baysinger
Carolyn Joyce Kiker	Charles Edward Gay
Linda Faye Williams	Erney Winnell Walker
Evelyn Joyce Coleman	Danny Brooks, Jr.
Freddie Jean Rogers	Wayne Hickman
Bertha Mae Runnels	Coy Dell Porter
Jacqueline Yvonne Bledsoe	Dwain Dean Dancy
Carolyn Estella Soders	James Charles Canady
Carolyn Ann McGowan	Jerry Earl Weatherspoon
Janice Lorraine Smith	Charles Earl Tibbs
Lynda Kaye Humphrey	Larry Young
Tommie Jewell Robinson	Bobby James Richardson
Queen Esther Phillips	Lonnie Joe Moore
Lois June Paul	Andrew McDonald
Brenda Joyce Anderson Scaggs	Will Linton
Betty Joyce Stewart	Clifton Cross, II
Lois Jean Washington	Ernest Edwards
	Travis Estelle

Booker T. Washington
High School

Commencement Exercises



1968



GYMNASIUM-AUDITORIUM

Thursday, May 23, 1968

8:00 p. m.

Marlin, Texas

Programme

THEME: *The future is for those who believe in it.*

Prelude	
Fanfare and Processional	<i>Ployhar</i> Booker T. Washington Band
National Anthem: "The Star-Spangled Banner"	<i>Key</i>
Invocation	<i>Queen Esther Phillips</i>
Salutatory Address: Delivered by	<i>Cornell Jones</i> "Solving Today's Problems for Tomorrow's Responsibilities"
Valedictory Address	<i>Jacquelyn Bledsoe</i> "Faith in the Future"
"Jesus Said to the Blind Man"	<i>Vulpuis</i> Booker T. Washington Chorus
Introduction of Speaker	<i>Mr. H. J. Hines</i> Principal, Washington High School
Commencement Address	<i>Rev. I. B. Loud</i> Pastor, St. Paul Methodist Church, Dallas, Texas
Hallelujah Chorus	<i>Handel</i> Booker T. Washington Chorus
Presentation of Diplomas	<i>Mrs. Bolivar Lang Falconer</i> President, Board of Trustees
Presentation of Scholarships	
Benediction	<i>Carolyn Soders</i>
Fanfare and Recessional	<i>Ployhar</i> Booker T. Washington Band

The Class of 1968

HONOR STUDENTS

Valedictorian	<i>Jacquelyn Bledsoe</i>
Salutatorian	<i>Cornell Jones</i>
Third Honor	<i>Queen Esther Phillips</i>

CLASS OFFICERS

President	<i>Jacquelyn Bledsoe</i>
Vice President	<i>Jerry Weatherspoon</i>
Secretary	<i>Linda K. Humphrey</i>
Assistant Secretary	<i>Shirley Wilson</i>
Treasurer	<i>Linda Faye Williams</i>
Chaplain	<i>Travis Estelle</i>
Pianist	<i>Carolyn McGowan</i>
Reporter	<i>George Davis</i>
Chairman of Program Committee	<i>Patricia A. Davis</i>

CLASS MOTTO

"Today Decides Tomorrow"

Class Colors	<i>Pink and White</i>
Class Flower	<i>Pink Rose</i>
Class Sponsors	<i>Mrs. M. A. Tyrone and W. C. Thompson</i>



GREETINGS!

I am eternally grateful to each of you for everything you have done individually and collectively. We pray that the experiences gained in this endeavor will inspire us to such an extent that we dedicate ourselves anew to the challenges that are ours to face.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Mabel A. Tyrone,

Mrs. Mabel A. Tyrone,
Retired English Teacher of
Booker T. Washington High School
Marlin Independent School District
Chairman, B. T. W. Alumni Association

For every hill we've had to climb,
for every stone that bruised our feet,
For all the blood and sweat and grime,
for blinding storm and burning heat;
Our hearts sing but a grateful song —
These were the things that made us strong.

For all the heartaches and the tears,
for all the anguish and the pain,
For gloomy days and fruitless years,
and for all the hopes that lived in vain;
We do give thanks for now we know —
These were the things that made us grow.

Unknown



GREETINGS!

It is with esteemed honor and pleasure that I extend greetings to you on this occasion. I am indeed grateful to you for such a memorable affair so that as many as possible are able to be assembled here again.

May we be able to reap the full reward that such a gathering brings, and depart with renewed spirits to face the challenges before us.

Congratulations to all of you for a job well done.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "H. J. Hines". The signature is written in a cursive style with a prominent initial "H".

H. J. Hines

Principal

Booker T. Washington Schools



**Aaron Smith
& Ethel Mannings Smith
graduated from
Booker T. Washington
in 1926**

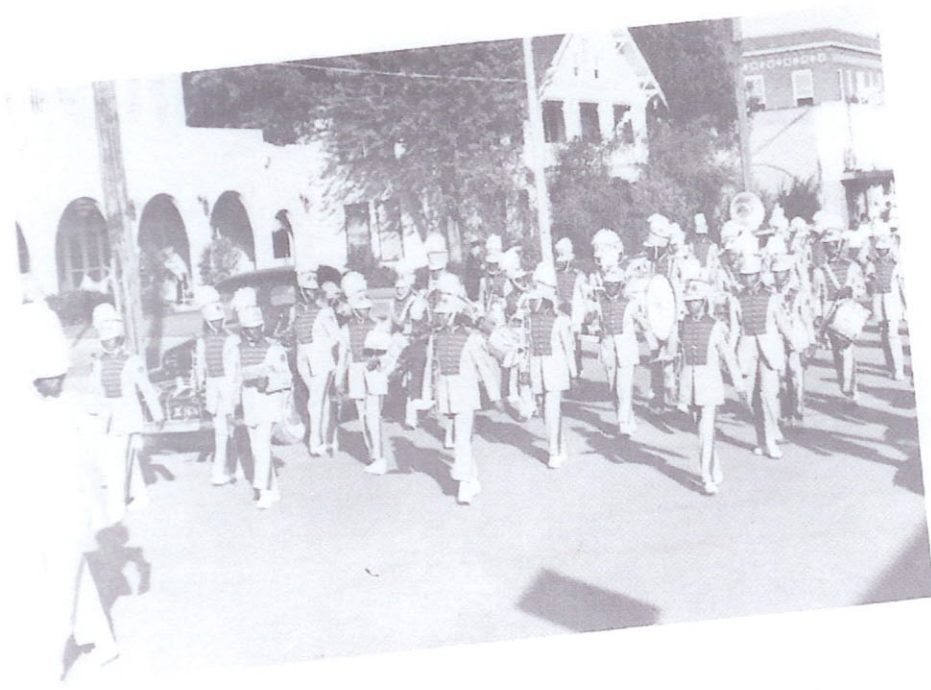
1950 TYPING CLASS

Mattie Jackson Williams, Instructor



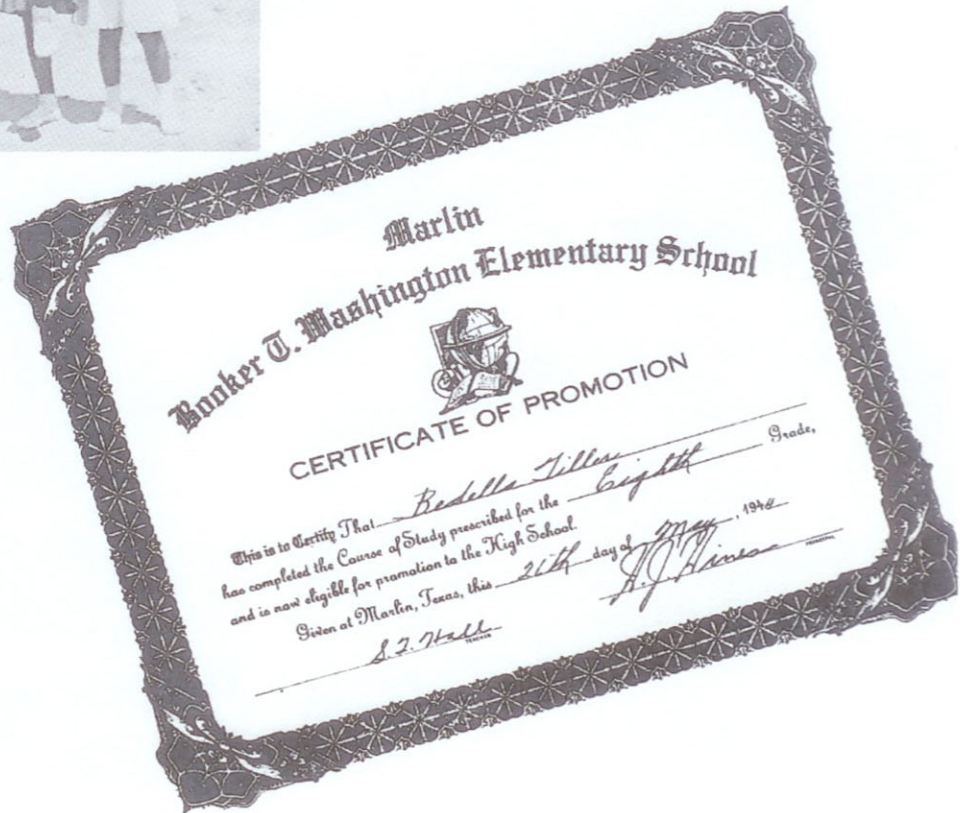
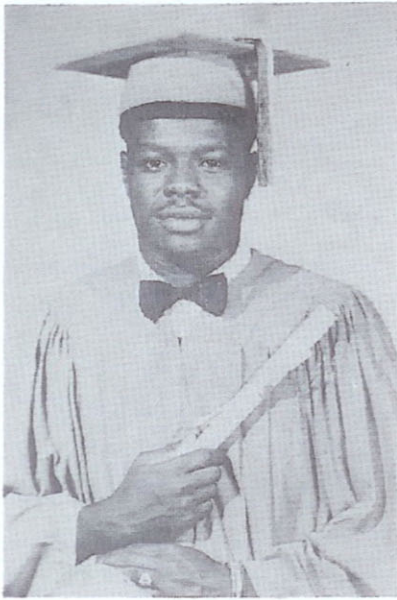
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Second Row (left to right): Freddie Cook, Eloise V. Henderson, Neva Jo Gamble
Third Row (left to right): Ruby Pearl Jones, Irvell Hazel Jackson
Fourth Row (left to right): Annetta Lauder, Janet Martin
Fifth Row (left to right): Janice Martin, Emma Maxwell, Mildred Melontree

Mattie Jackson, Instructor (standing)



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In Loving Memory
of
Booker T. Washington Educators



Julia Wyman Murry



Charles A. Wyman



Bernice Moore Wilson

Representing 100 Years Combined Service
Submitted By

Charlotte Wyman Armstead - Class of '62

James Frank Wyman - Class of '64

The last class to attend Booker T. before closure was the 1967-68 Class.



The Class of 1942 was the first 6th grade class to wear caps and gowns.

The Class of 1952 was the first class to graduate from the relocated Booker T. on Commerce St.



Virgil Meyers remembers that he was a member of the football team when they received their first football suits . . . provided by the Marlin High School

The only graduate of Booker T. to come back and deliver a commencement address was Carl Walker, Jr. to the Class of 1942.



During the 1944-45 school year Booker T. Washington became a 9th through 12th high school.

GRADUATION EXERCISES

BOOKER T. WASHINGTON HIGH SCHOOL



GYMNASIUM-AUDITORIUM

MAY 25, 1956

8:15 p. m.

PROGRAM

THEME "PREPARATION OPENS THE DOOR TO SUCCESS"

Processional—"Pomp and Circumstance"—Roberts	Class 1956
Booker T. Washington High School Band	
"God So Loved the World"	Stainer
High School Choral Club	
Invocation	Rev. L. J. Jackson
"Hallelujah Chorus"	Hawdel
High School Choral Club	
"The Value of Preparation"	Grace Smith
"St. George"—Overture	Mohlmann
High School Band	
"The Great Decisions"	Sylvania Black
"Robin Hood"—Fantasia	Lake
High School Band	
Message to Class 1956	Dr. Frank Vond, President Paul Quinn College Waco, Texas
"The Dream of Oliver"—Piano Concerto	Liang
Sylvania Black	
Presentation of Diplomas	Mr. H. J. Hines, Superintendent Marlin Independent Schools
Public School Pledge	Class 1956
Led by Bertha Slaw	
Presentation of Awards	Mr. H. J. Hines, Principal Booker T. Washington School System
Devotion	Rev. L. J. Jackson
Recessional—"Pomp and Circumstance"—Roberts	Class 1956
High School Band	

ORDER OF PROCESSION

Elgin Wallace Derry	Bertha Mae Slaw
Earlby Smith, Jr.	Hazel Florence Bayner
Dorrie Edward Fyler	Meredell Dolores Mathis
James Edward Bailey	Laura Lee Sholly
Billy Joe McCullough	Billy Faye Lynn
Richard James Theissen	Barbara Louise Derry
James Willie King	Edna Earl Lockridge
Samuel Edward Pagegraber	Alma Pearl Henson
Bills Page Sheppard	Curtis Shotts Henson
Louise Beatrice Pilling	Enoch Alphonse Scott
Ella Mae Thompson	Robert Robinson
Margaret Joyce Stewart	Thos White
Sylvania Daisy Black	Lorraine Simpson
Amy Marie Bailey	Alvin White, Jr.
Christine Geneva Laventon	Dorethy Marie Gilbert
Grace Alice Smith	Arnet Marie Fisher
Benjamin Coleman	Marilyn Louise Piper
Richard Smart, Jr.	Bertha Mae Johnson
Wilbert Hill	
Joe Ray Hill	
Willie Earl Mathis	
Billy Frank Derry	
Robert Griffin	

HONOR STUDENTS

Sylvania Daisy Black
Grace Alice Smith
Bertha Mae Slaw

MOTTO: "Knowledge comes but wisdom lingers."

CLASS OFFICERS

President	Joe Ray Hill
Vice President	Alma Pearl Henson
Secretary	Emilee Mae Johnson
Assistant Secretary	Amy Marie Bailey
Treasurer	Bertha Mae Slaw
Chaplain	Robert Bohanna
Pianist	Grace Smith
Assistant Pianist	Sylvania Black
Business Manager	James Bailey
Reporter	Bills Faye Sheppard
Chairman of Program Committee	Hazel Bayner



Compliments
HEART OF TEXAS JEWELRY
Mr. & Mrs. James Ethridge, Owners
Marlin, Texas

IN MEMORY OF



Mrs. Sulema Roosevelt McGruder Miller

The Central Texas Ex-Students and Alumni Association



Top Row (L-R): Ophelia McGowan, Cora Roberts, Sarah Petty, Jewel Grayson, Nancy Harrison.
Second Row: A. Fay Dorsey, Ruth Humphrey, Harvey Humphrey, Mabel Tyrone, Marguerite Bridges.
Seated: Mattie Williams, Dorothy Lofton, Norvella McCutchin, Rose Douglas.

Best Wishes for a Successful B.T.W. '86 Reunion



Janice (Martin) Walker

CLASS OF 1950

Director of Dietetics

*Ben Taub General Hospital
Instructor in Foods & Nutrition
Texas Southern University*

Carl Walker, Jr.

CLASS OF 1942

*Former United States Attorney
and Candidate for Judge,
185th Criminal District Court
Harris County, Texas*

2928 West 76th Street
Inglewood, California 90305

June 8, 1992



Mr. Carl Walker and Ex-Students
of Booker T. Washington School

Greetings:

Please accept my thanks and sincere appreciation for the invitation extended to be present as honored guest at the July reunion. I could never find words to express the gratitude that I feel deep within my heart. I know of no other occasion that could have made me happier. So, just "thank you".

I am deeply saddened and disappointed to say that I cannot be present at this glorious affair. I am not too well at this time, and am under strict care of the doctor, and he does not think it wise for me to travel or be away from his care.

I want you to know, even though I am not present, my every thought and care will be there. It would be so wonderful and enjoyable to meet and greet those (children) of ours whom we have not seen for awhile.

We are proud of you, individually and collectively, for all the accomplishments and success you have achieved through the years. We are especially grateful for the way in which you have represented dear old Booker T. Washington School, its ideals, and its wonderful Staff Members, and you are continually doing so.

Some great boys and girls, now men and women, have passed through Booker T. Washington School doors, and if we have served as an incentive to motivate or encourage those to carry on and continue their education, then I am deeply appreciative, happy, satisfied, and well contented to leave this world as one happy man with a life well spent.

My wife, Maggie, joins me in wishing the best for you, a happy, successful, fun filled meeting and greeting - "May God Bless You, is our prayer. Keep up the good work, stay together, and carry on."

Sincerely,

Harry J. Hines



IN MEMORIAM



Mr. Porter
Mr. C. A. Wyman
Mr. R. J. Willis
Mr. Jessie Washington
Mr. P. A. Stamps
Mrs. A. E. S. Johnson
Mrs. S. A. Cox
Mrs. L. M. Hunter
Mrs. A. X. Robertson
Mrs. Agnes L. Washington
Mrs. A. A. Hightower
Mrs. W. J. Brown
Mrs. I. W. P. Richardson
Mrs. E. C. Jackson
Mr. S. T. Hall
Mrs. M. E. Hachett
Mrs. C. F. Hurdle
Mr. J. H. Lacey
Mrs. Bulah Cotton
Mr. C. S. Moore
Mrs. L. L. Parks
Mrs. Ceili Gibson Sublett
Mrs. Leola McDonald
Mr. Ernest Clay
Mr. Kyle Humphrey
Mr. Charles Jackson
Mrs. Joe Ella Bea
Mr. Jeff Grayson
Mr. Dock Golden
Mr. Elmore Coe
Mr. Wyatt Ray
Mr. Hillman Newman
Mrs. Theresa Jones
Mr. Isaac Lewis
Rev. R. A. Westbrook
Mrs. A. K. Wheeler
Mrs. Velma Duncan
Mr. Irvin Lofton
Mrs. A. W. Carroll
Mrs. V. P. Watson
Mrs. C. L. Carothers

And All Others Whose Names Are Not Listed.



WE HONOR YOU

ALL STAFF AND FACULTY WHO WORKED AT B.T.W.

Mr. Harry James Hines
Mrs. I. M. Punchard
Mrs. M. V. Denson
Mrs. Ruth Barrett
Mrs. Odessa Dawson
Mrs. Mable A. Tyrone
Mrs. M. E. Hines
Mrs. J. M. Lowe
Mrs. Ethel Smith
Mrs. Blanche E. Masters
Mrs. Ruth L. Humphrey
Mrs. B. E. McGruder
Mrs. S. R. Miller
Mr. W. A. Soders
Mrs. J. A. Murray
Mr. Robert V. Arnold
Mrs. Tommye Washington
Mrs. O. B. Moore Wilson
Mr. Alton Scott
Mr. James Lynn
Mr. R. E. Dancy
Mr. W. D. Evans
Mrs. Allyene Bell
Mrs. Annie G. Dorsey
Mrs. Mattie Williams
Mr. Milton Gooden
Mrs. Erma J. Clark
Mrs. Christine Moore
Rev. William Johnson
Mr. Roy Graves
Mrs. Corine Jones
Mr. Bishop Williams

Mrs. Lois E. Nelson Hooker
Mrs. Mary J. Gooden
Mrs. Minnie M. Scott
Mrs. Dorothy L. Kirk
Mrs. Lenora Robertson
Mrs. Jewel J. Joe
Mr. Benny Ray Cephus
Mrs. Vivian Brown Bonner
Mrs. Doretha Nelms Phearson
Mrs. Vera Jordan Earl
Mrs. John D. Brawley
Mr. William C. Thompson
Mr. Richard Elder
Mrs. Sue A. Jameson
Mrs. Vivian Richards
Mrs. Barbara Johnson
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Mr. Curry L. Ramsey
Mrs. Beverlyn R. Halton
Mrs. Dorothy Garrett
Mr. Clarence B. Hurdle
Mr. J. B. Butler
Mrs. Dorothy Lofton
Mrs. Walterine Sheppard Toliver
Mrs. Faye English Hubbard
Mrs. Earnestine Lynn Evans
Mrs. M. P. Simpson
Mr. Dave Tiller, Jr.
Mrs. L. B. Walker
Mrs. Helen Alexander McCullough

Others Whose Names I Am Unable To List



Falls County Parent Child Centers

During the summer of 1969 a group of involved citizens led by Mrs. Lucile Hampton formed the Falls County Committee for Health and Community Development. Their goal was to improve the quality of life for residents of Falls County. The first objective for the committee was to meet the needs of preschool age children in the black community.

It has become evident shortly after integration that a great number of minority children were lacking in readiness skills necessary for success in the first grade. As a result of this lack many of these children were placed in special education classes. Their chance for success was very limited. Mrs. Hampton and the committee felt that these children were not special education children but simply lacking in experiences and preschool training. They established the Marlin Day Care Center.

The Marlin Day Care Center began operation in the fall of 1969. It was housed in condemned facilities of the Booker T. Washington school on Commerce Street. Director Hampton begged, borrowed and got enough community support to start a program for 25 children between the ages of five and six. It was a struggle to keep the program in operation during the first year but Mrs. Hampton had faith and her faith was rewarded. It was not long before Department of Public Welfare licensing standards were met, a staff was hired with a promise of maybe, and Mrs. Hampton began a continuing search for support.

In March, 1970, Director Lucile Hampton contacted the Western Institute for Science and Technology in Waco, Texas about setting up a more formalized readiness program. With financial help from the Hogg Foundation in Austin, Texas this was accomplished. It was not long before the program began to produce winners—kids with confidence in themselves and with essential readiness skills.

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Two Marlin women victims of mass slaying

Man kills 22, then self in Killeen

Zona Lynn, Clodine Humphrey slain

COMPILED BY STAFF
Marlin Democrat

Two Marlin women were killed Wednesday when a man drove his pickup through a Killeen cafeteria window and opened fire on diners inside, killing 22 before killing himself. It was the nation's deadliest mass shooting.

Zona Hunnicut Lynn, 64, and Clodine Humphrey, 63, were killed Wednesday by the gunman, George Hennard, 35, of Belton, while standing in the serving line at Luby's Cafeteria on Highway 190 in Killeen.

Mrs. Lynn and Ms. Humphrey were in Killeen Wednesday attending a Good Hope Western General Association Board meeting.

Also killed was Su-zann Neal Rashott, 36, of Copperas Cove. Mrs. Rashott was the granddaughter of Marlin resident M. P. (Tuck) Sharp.

A. Fay Dorsey, owner of Dorsey-Keatts Funeral Home, and the Rev. Don Temple, pastor of the Marlin



Zona Lynn



Clodine Humphrey

Missionary Baptist Church, also attended the meeting Wednesday with Mrs. Lynn and Ms. Humphrey. All four Marlinites were standing in line at the cafeteria when the gunman crashed his pickup through the restaurant window and began shooting.

in nation's worst shooting

"The four of us went in the church van over to the cafeteria. Rev. Temple drove us over there (to Luby's)," Dorsey said. "There was quite a crowd at the cafeteria. We were all standing in line together. The serving line was very long."

Also standing in line with Mrs. Dorsey were Rev. H.C. Lewis of Copperas Cove and Rev. Shannon McMullen of Groesbeck.

"I was first in line and standing near the desserts," Dorsey said. "Zona was behind me. Clodine was behind her. Then there was Rev. Temple and Rev. Lewis and Rev. McMullen. I picked up all my food and was waiting for everybody else by the desserts. There were two soldiers in front of me getting their teas."

"That's when the truck broke into the building. There was glass everywhere. It was coming down in sheets. He (the gunman) cut the engine and then something started going pop, pop, pop," Dorsey said. "The two soldiers in front of me fell to the floor. Then they

got up and ran for the front door. I reacted accordingly to the men (soldiers) in front of me. We all ran out into the parking lot. I don't ever remember looking back."

Dorsey said the Rev. Temple also broke out of line and made it safely to the cafeteria parking lot.

"My first reaction on hearing the truck crash through the window was to run to the truck," Rev. Temple said. "I thought maybe someone had gotten sick and had an accident."

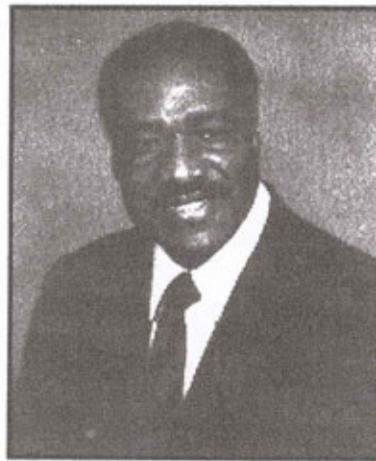
Temple said as soon as he heard the shooting he started running away from the truck and the gunman.

"I ducked down and started running for the front door," he said. "I had to run toward the truck for a little way and then kind of away from it to get out the front door."

"Mrs. Dorsey and I ran to a real estate office nearby and called the police," Temple said.

Congratulations
to the
B.T.W. Wildcats
on your 18th School Reunion

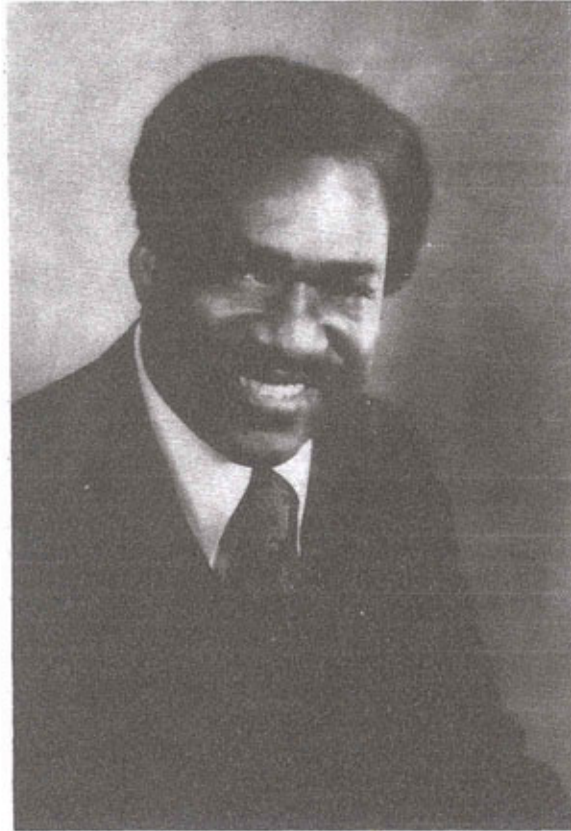
In Memory of
Judge Carl Walker, Jr.



*"Success has always been easy to measure.
It's the distance between one's origin
and one's final achievement."*

Your Beloved Wife, Janice and The Sanders Family
Brother-in-law: John; Nieces: Gwen, Phyllis & Wanda; Nephew: Jay Jr.;
Grand Niece: Lequita Sanders; Great Nephews: Jay Jr., III, Philip Green,
Jeremy Sanders, Donald Calvin and Nicholas Calvin





Greetings,

I want to welcome all the Marlinites home in this Sesquicentennial year and to our third Triennial Session.

Since our last Triennial Session, our organization has made some great strides and we are looking forward to a very productive meeting.

Committees have been working very hard in order to insure your entertainment, enjoyment and enrichment.

As we fellowship together, let us keep foremost in our minds our purpose for being and what we represent. So when we depart for our homes, it will be said, the City of Marlin is a better place because they came and we are an enriched people.

Love, Peace and Grace

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Carl Walter, Jr." The signature is fluid and extends to the right.

Carl Walter, Jr.
National President



**Congratulations On Our Fifth
B.T.W. Triennial Reunion**



Janice Martin Walker
Class of 1950
Director of Dietetics
Ben Taub Hospital
Houston, Texas

Carl Walker, Jr.
Class of 1942
Judge 185th District Court
Houston, Harris County, Texas

A WARRIOR IS GONE, BUT STILL LIVES: A TRIBUTE TO
JUDGE CARL WALKER JR.

HON. SHEILA JACKSON-LEE
OF TEXAS
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Friday, July 26, 2002

Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I am touched and honored to have the opportunity to be on the floor today to celebrate and remember the life of Judge Carl Walker, Jr. of my hometown, Houston, Texas. Judge Walker, Jr. passed away last week leaving behind a loving wife and a host of bereaved relatives and friends. We have all lost enormously with the passing of this great warrior in the struggle for justice. Through his example, he exalted all of us to be unrelenting as we strive for excellence, justice, and fairness.

I knew Judge Walker very well and admired his dedication and perseverance in the face of great odds. It brought me great sadness to hear of his death. I stand before you today to give public acknowledgement and offer a heartfelt commemoration of the achievements of this eloquent, fearless and peerless man.

Carl Walker, Jr. was born in **Marlin Falls County, Texas**. After graduating from Booker T. Washington High School in Houston, TX, he was drafted into the U.S. Air Force in 1943. He received an honorable discharge in 1946, and used the G.I. Bill to enter Southern University where he earned a Bachelor of Science degree and later earned a Master's degree in economics in 1952.

His pinnacle academic achievement came when he earned a law degree from the Thurgood Marshall School of Law, at Texas Southern University.

This degree led him to blaze the trail and knock down doors for those of us who would follow. His law degree allowed him to become an Assistant U.S. Attorney appointed by Attorney Robert F. Kennedy. Marking yet another first, Judge Walker was the first African-American U.S. Attorney for the Southern District of Texas.

When not busy upholding the law, the Honorable Carl Walker Jr. was involved in a number of civic and religious organizations in Houston, Texas.

He held positions with the Civic League, Eldorado Social Club, and the South Central YMCA Board of Managers. Mr. Walker served as President of the Harris County Council of Organizations, the Houston Chapter of the U.S.O., the Texas Southern University Alumni and Ex-Students Associations, and the Houston Business and Professional Men's Club. He also served on the board of directors of the American Red Cross.

He had a number of professional affiliations including the United States Supreme Court, the Houston Bar Association, the State Bar of Texas, The Texas Bar Foundation, The United States Tax Court, Federal Bar Association, Fifth Circuit of Appeals, and the Texas Judicial Association.

I was humbled by an invitation to give a special tribute to Carl Walker, Jr. at his passing. I hold our men and women who have used their lives to better our country in the highest regard and take great pride in commemorating the extraordinary life of the Honorable Carl Walker, Jr. It is because of Carl Walker's good works that not only the Congressional District but all of Houston and America could have an improved quality of life. He was a tremendous moral force who will be sorely missed as we look to his example in the struggle for justice and integrity in our country today.

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