

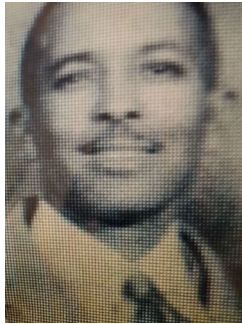
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THE PATTERSON FAMILY OF GREEN COVE SPRINGS

Patterson • Mays • Frazier • Richardson • Kenty • Aldridge

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DEACON SAMUEL PATTERSON & HATTIE MAYS



Richard Patterson

Youngest son of Samuel Patterson and Hattie Mays

Deacon Samuel Patterson was born in 1863 in Liberty, Georgia, into slavery. His father was Patrick Patterson, and his mother was Molly, who was born in 1839. Molly's siblings were Ida, Frank, and Rich. Samuel later married Hattie Mays in 1889. Their children included Naomi (Hammond), Ruth (Woodward), Lucinda, Samuel Jr., Richard, Ruby (Mitchell), and Hattie Mae (Simmons). Samuel moved to Green Cove Springs, where he raised his family.

Deacon Patterson became a community leader during the Reconstruction era. According to this family history, he served on the Green Cove Springs City Council from 1887 to 1891 and was the principal founder of First African Missionary Baptist Church, founded in 1883.

THE NEXT GENERATIONS

Samuel Patterson, Jr. married Clara Frazier, the contributors' grandmother. Clara had four daughters: Zona Mae, Lillian, Naomi, and Arvilla. Zona Mae and Lillian did not have children. Naomi had eight children: Samuel Richardson, Ronald Richardson, Dr. Larry Richardson, Joseph Richardson, Jr., Ricky Richardson, Beverley Richardson (Glover), the Hon. Curtis Richardson, and Avron Richardson.

Arvilla had five children: Loretta Kenty (Armstrong), Sandra Kenty (Ham), Barbara Aldridge (Martin), William Aldridge, and Carol Aldridge (Glover). Through these generations, the Patterson family story continues through the Richardson, Kenty, Aldridge, Martin, Armstrong, Ham, and Glover families.

A LEGACY OF FAMILY & COMMUNITY

We are proud descendants of Deacon and Honorable Samuel E. Patterson. His family's story reflects generations of family, civic involvement, faith, and community connection in Green Cove Springs.

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