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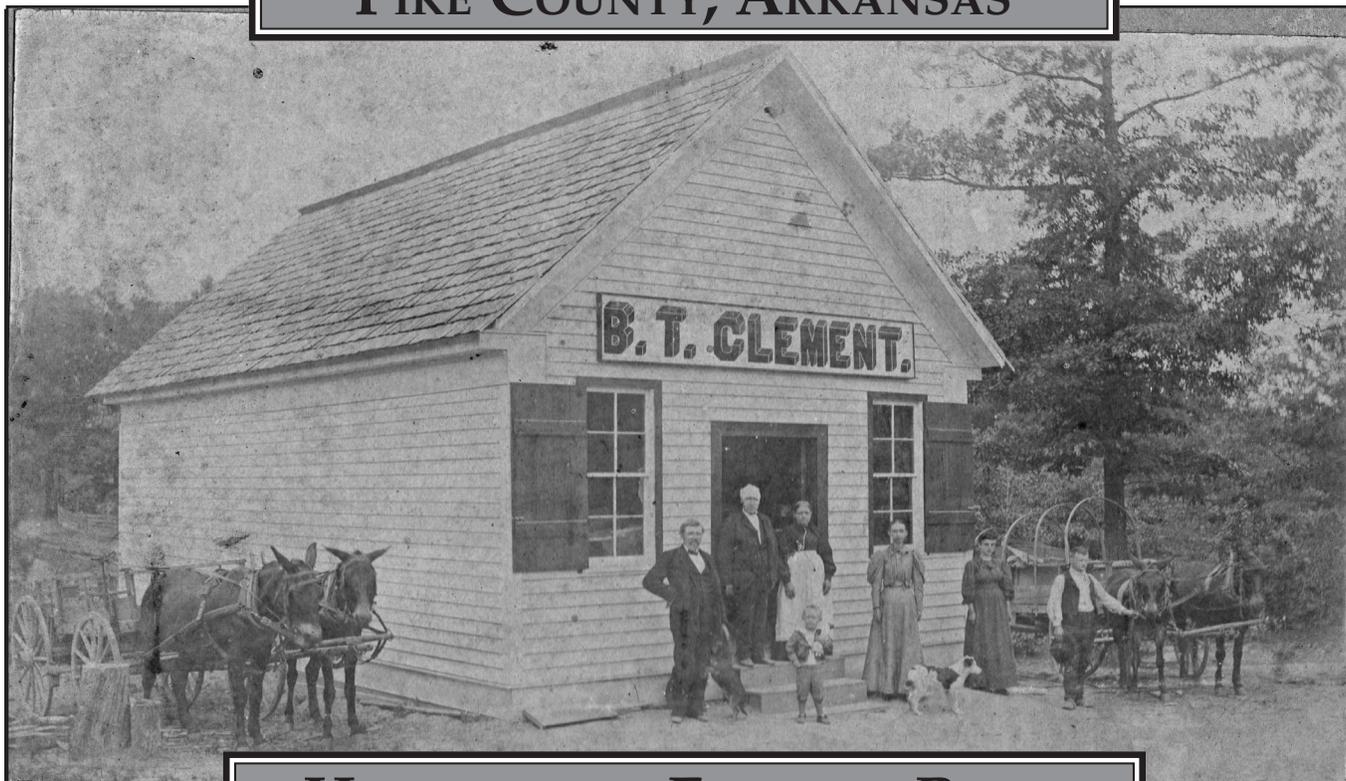
**The History of  
Pike County  
and YOUR family...**

**DEADLINE: April 30, 2022**



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**PIKE COUNTY, ARKANSAS**



**HISTORY AND FAMILIES BOOK**



# PIKE COUNTY, ARKANSAS HISTORY AND FAMILIES VOLUME I - 1833-2023

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**A CHANCE TO BE PART OF PIKE COUNTY'S HISTORY!**

In celebration of our county, the Pike County Archives & History Society is sponsoring, compiling and publishing a new book, *Pike County History and Families, Vol. I*. This book will include the history of our county including family histories, communities, churches, schools, businesses, farms, memorials, tributes, clubs, organizations, and much more! It is important that **EVERY FAMILY IN THE COUNTY** be included in this historic publication.

**WHO MAY BE INCLUDED IN THIS BOOK?** Anyone who has ever lived in Pike County.

**WHAT DOES IT COST TO HAVE MY FAMILY HISTORY PUBLISHED?** Nothing! You don't even have to purchase a book to be included.

**WHAT MUST I DO TO BE INCLUDED?** Type your family's history in 500 words or less, including one family photograph (please identify family members on the back of the photo, all photos will be returned), and send it to:

**Pike County Archives & History Society**  
PO Box 875  
Murfreesboro, AR 71958

You may also drop off your submission to the PCAHS Library at 112 N. Washington Avenue in Murfreesboro between 10 am and 3 pm, Tuesday through Saturday. You can also email your family history submission to [PikeCountyHistoryBook@AcclaimPress.com](mailto:PikeCountyHistoryBook@AcclaimPress.com). Be sure to include your name, phone number, and any photos you wish to include are attached to the email.

**MY FAMILY DOESN'T HAVE MUCH OF A HISTORY. WHAT SHOULD I WRITE ABOUT MY FAMILY?** Everyone has a family history. Tell when you or your ancestors first came to Pike County, where they arrived from, their vocations, children and marriages. Tell about military service within your family, hobbies and stories handed down from generation to generation.

**WHAT IF I DON'T WRITE VERY WELL?** Submit your family history anyway! Professional editors will be proofing and correcting everyone's stories for grammar and spelling.

**WHAT WILL THE BOOK LOOK LIKE?** This hardback, collector's quality, 8-1/2" x 11" book will be bound in a beautiful, swirl-grained leatherette cover with a gold foil stamped seal depicting the book logo on the front cover and a gold lettered spine. Its archive-quality pages will be Smyth-sewn for durability. This book will be in libraries and offices across the county, state and USA! This book will be a family heirloom that can be handed down from generation to generation.

**HOW MAY I PURCHASE A BOOK?** This historic book is available on a pre-sale basis **ONLY!** It is priced at \$59.95. That means that only those who order now, before publication, will be assured a copy of this **LIMITED EDITION** printing. Send check or money order and the enclosed order form to the Pike County History Book Committee no later than April 30, 2022. You may also order in person at the library during dropoff hours.

We are looking forward to seeing **YOUR FAMILY** in our upcoming history book.

Sincerely,

Charlotte McCauley, Book Committee Chair  
Pike County Archives & History Society  
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# PIKE CO. ARK. HISTORY AND FAMILIES BOOK

Sample family histories — Deadline to submit is April 30, 2022

Use these examples as a guide in writing your 500 word history. Remember: It's FREE to be included!

Send one (1) family history with one (1) family photograph per household.

**BLAKLEY** - Elihu Creswell Blakley was born on July 26, 1810 in Laurens County, South Carolina. At the age of 19, he married Eliza Ann McDaniel on June 13, 1830 in Alabama. They had one son, William Madison Blakley who was born December 1, 1838 in Blount, Alabama. Elihu Creswell Blakley died on August 24, 1844 in Tishomingo, Mississippi at the age of 34 years old. Eliza Ann McDaniel Blakley was born April 12, 1812 (possibly in North Carolina as indicated on the 1880 census by her son John) and she died August 2, 1891 at the age of 79 yrs, in Tennessee.

2nd Generation: William Madison Blakley was born December 1, 1838, in Blount County, Alabama. At the age of 21, he married Louisa Jane Osborn on November 8, 1860 in Blount, Alabama. She was the daughter of James and Margaret Osborn. A son, Elihu Franklin Blakley was born on February 19, 1866 in Tennessee. A daughter, Louisa Jane



Elihu Franklin "Frank" Blakley

A. was born November, 1873, in Mississippi. Their son, William R. was born on May 24, 1875, in Mississippi. Their son, James Joseph, was born on July 8, 1877, in Mississippi. The 1880 census has William, his wife and four children living in Terre Noire, Clark County, Arkansas. His wife, Louise Jane, passed away on June 21, 1915, at the age of 74 yrs. They had been married 54 years. William Madison Blakley died on January 1, 1920 at the age of 81 yrs. They are buried in the Weir Cemetery, Clark County, Arkansas.

3rd Generation: Elihu Franklin "Frank" Blakley was born February 19, 1866 in Guya, Tennessee and married Martha Lama Gurley December 25, 1898 in Alcorn, Mississippi. The 1900 census had them married 1 yr. and living in Antoine, Clark County, Arkansas. The 1910 Census has them living in Missouri, Pike, Arkansas with three children, Clifford, Mary and Fred O. Frank and Martha are buried in the Delight Cemetery, Pike County, Arkansas. Two of the children, John Clifford Blakley, 1901-1953 and Mary Blakley Stromo, 1905-1986 are also buried in the Delight Cemetery. "Frank" Blakley married Laura Etta Goodlett Webb, December 18, 1937 and they lived at Delight, Arkansas until his death, June 18, 1946. After his death, Laura moved back to Murfreesboro to be near her children. Laura was the daughter of Nancy Ann Ersey Goodlett, 1856-1946. Laura is buried in the Murfreesboro Cemetery, Pike County, Arkansas, along with her mother, a brother Jesse, and a sister Lula also buried there.

**HILE** - Son, student, husband, father, teacher, lawyer, judge and grandfather are roles that define a life in a few words. Lindell L. Hile was born March 2, 1902, in Belton, a small community near Nashville, AR. He was the oldest of seven children born to Leonard

Jordan and Ola Mae Stott Hile.

When Lindell was a small child, his parents moved to Pike County. He began school in Kimberly where his grandfather, J.H. Hile, a Church of Christ minister, was the teacher. The family moved to Murfreesboro in 1918, and Lindell graduated from Murfreesboro High School in 1927. He attended Ouachita Baptist College for two years.

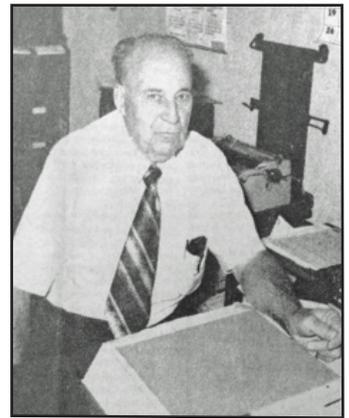
Lindell was married December 22, 1935, to Charlie Marie Cannon of McNab, the daughter of Riley N. and Emma Fricks Cannon. They had four children, Lynda Ann, Winston Larry, Robert Alan, and James Michael.

Lindell earned his teaching license by examination. He earned the first grade teaching license, the highest ranking available. He taught grade school for four years (40 children in a one-room school in Bowen, and then was principal of a three-teacher school at New Hope, earning \$100 a month). He later was a caseworker in Pike County for the Public Welfare Service, and then promoted to Nevada County Welfare Director in Prescott.

In the meantime, Lindell studied law and was admitted to the Arkansas Bar Association in the fall of 1935. He began practicing law full-time in January 1941, when he opened an office in Murfreesboro. He later expanded to include selling insurance and income tax preparation. At this time he served a term as mayor of Murfreesboro. He was twice elected as State Representative and served terms beginning in 1949 and 1951. October 5, 1953, he was elected municipal judge, retiring December 31, 1980, after serving 27 plus years. It had been said that he heard courteously, answered wisely, considered soberly, and decided impartially. He also was the secretary of the Pike County Democratic Committee.

Mr. Hile was member of First Baptist Church for approximately 60 years, serving as treasurer of the church for 15 years. He served through two building programs, one when the old church was replaced by a new building in 1962 and when the current building was erected after fire destroyed the church in 1973. He loved the Bible and patterned his life after its teaching and principles. His children remember Psalm 1 as one of his favorite passages.

Lindell Hile died November 3, 1988 at the age of 81 years and is buried in the Murfreesboro Cemetery along with his wife Charlie Marie who was born October 16, 1912 and died March 28, 2003.



Lindell L. Hile

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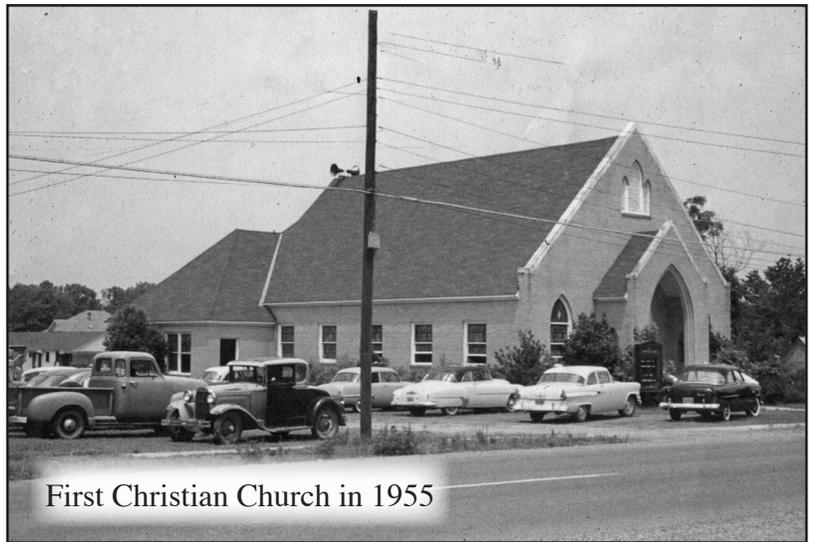
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- Send a photo (historic or recent). The first photo submitted is free, additional photos are \$15/each. Write a caption for each photo on the back of the photo or on your family history. Photos will be returned to you at the completion of the project.
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