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# GENERATIONS

As we enter our 23<sup>rd</sup> year of publishing “Generations” – the newsletter of Les Guédry et Petitpas d'Asteur - we hope you enjoy this issue. In this issue we discuss Acadian church records that survived the deportations and are available to Acadian researchers. In the future we plan periodically to shed light on other original Acadian records - both pre-deportation and post-deportation.

While all Acadians suffered greatly during the deportations, a few were able to recover over time and become relatively prosperous within their lifetimes. In this issue we take a look at Pierre Guédry, son of Augustin Guédry and Jeanne Hébert, who had a tragic-filled life, yet established a large vacherie (cattle ranch) in Louisiana after arriving there in 1768. His Last Will and Testament is a genealogical gem providing the researcher with a wealth of information.

Our next Reunion will be 15 October 2025 in Scott, Louisiana. Get all the facts in this issue of “Generations”. Our Reunion will be part of the Grand Réveil Acadien (11-18 October 2025). Another activity of the Grand Réveil Acadien in which we will participate is the Families Day (14 October 2025) at Vermilionville in Lafayette, LA. Les Guédry et Petitpas d'Asteur will have a table on the porch of the La Maison des Cultures home in Vermilionville. Stop by and visit with us. You can spend a few minutes or an hour or so if you want to greet visitors at our table.

And don't forget that Festivals Acadiens et Créoles will be at Girard Park in Lafayette, LA on October 10-12, 2025. There will be five venues of Louisiana music, many Cajun food booths, Cajun artists selling their crafts and other activities. And it is all FREE except the food and drinks.

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And be sure to peruse “Çi et Ça” in this issue for a variety of short items of interest. We believe you will find several of them interesting.

Also, it has just been announced that the next Congrès Mondial Acadien will be at the Baie-des-Chaleurs region which encompasses the area of Campbellton, New Brunswick and the eastern Québec areas of Pointe-à-la-Croix and Restigouche on the Gaspé Peninsula. No dates have been announced yet, but it will be in mid-August 2029. The Guédry family did have a presence in this area as Jean Guédry (son of Paul Guédry and Anne Mius), his wife Marie LeBlanc and their young family were captured by the British at Restigouche in 1761 after escaping from Île Saint-Jean (Prince Edward Island) in 1758. They were imprisoned at Fort Cumberland. Also, Romain Guédry dit Grivois, son of Augustin Guédry and Marie-François Jeanson and husband of Marie Comeau, moved his young family from Meteghan on Baie Saint-Marie to Nouvelle, Québec on the Baie-des-Chaleurs about 1819. By 1830 Romain and his family (with one exception) had moved to the Madawaska area of northeastern Maine and eventually settled on the St. John River at Grand Isle. This is about 5 miles from Van Buren where our 2014 Reunion was held. Today, this family uses the surname Grivois. The family's eldest son Hilaire married Cécile Bourg while they lived in Québec and he remained behind on the Gaspé Peninsula. Hilaire's family eventually spread to Campbellton and Petit Rocher in New Brunswick.

For those in south Louisiana and the New Orleans area, on April 5, 2025 will be GenFest – a great genealogical and family heritage festival – at the Dillard University Profession School and Sciences Building (24 East Street on Dillard's campus) in New Orleans. Over 50 genealogical and family history organizations will participate in this year's GenFest. There will also be several historical presentations. It is FREE and the public is encouraged to attend and see what is happening.

Thanks to everyone that paid dues for 2025. Your support is appreciated greatly and really helps in continuing the functions of our family association and providing positive support for those running the programs. If you wish to pay dues now, please see “Çi et Ça” for more information.

So sit back, grab a book from the Book Nook, cook a tasty dish from Bon Appetit, read about our family in Historical Tidbits and enjoy this issue of “Generations”.

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### “ACADIANS WERE HERE”

Marie Rundquist, Greg Wood and Marty Guidry developed an internet travelogue on Acadian tourism in Maryland called “Acadians Were Here”.

To view the site visit:

<http://acadianswerehere.org>

Guédry & Labine Family Page

<https://www.guedryfamily.guedry.org>

Guédry Genealogical Database

<https://www.guedry.guedry.org>

Guédry & Petitpas Facebook Page

*(search Les Guédry d'Astour)*

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**BREAUX-GUIDRY-HÉBERT REUNION**  
**15 OCTOBER 2025 (9:30 am – 5 pm)**  
**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS HALL**  
**123 LIONS CLUB ROAD; SCOTT, LA**

*Wednesday, 15 October 2025 we will again celebrate our Acadian heritage at our Breaux-Guidry-Hébert Reunion at the Knights of Columbus Hall (123 Lions Club Road) in Scott, LA. Scott, LA is about 5 miles west of Lafayette, LA just off I-10 and about 15 miles east of Rayne, LA where our 2022 Reunion was held. We are developing plans for the Reunion so more news is upcoming in the future. This Reunion will be similar to our October 2022 Reunion in Rayne, LA. We have invited the Breaux and Hébert families to be a part of the Reunion as all three families are closely connected along many family lines.*

*During the Reunion you can enjoy a Cajun band playing traditional music, hear a superb presentation on our Acadian history by Liz Martin, view a number of poster exhibits, purchase books and other mementos, recognize several outstanding members of our families, win one of the door prizes and spend a lot of time visiting with your Acadian cousins and friends. For dinner (lunch) Barry Guidry and his chefs will prepare a tasty Cajun meal. Folks are welcome to venture outside to watch and discuss with them how they cook the meal. Feel free to bring a dish that serves 8-12 people to share with everyone. It can be a dessert, bread, vegetable, salad or “finger” meat as chicken, sausage, boudin, cracklins, etc. Water and soft drinks will be provided.*

*Our Guidry family also will be at Families Day at Vermilionville in Lafayette, LA on Tuesday, 14 October 2025 from 10:00 am until 4:00 pm. Our table will be on the porch of the “La Maison des Cultures” House – the first house after the Performance Center as you enter the village. Come join us and enjoy a relaxing day with your Guidry cousins. Vermilionville is at 300 Fisher Road directly across from the Lafayette Airport and near the Jean Lafitte Acadian Cultural Center. Many Acadian families will have displays and information on their family and they will be located on porches and inside the old homes of Vermilionville. You’ll be able to tour the old homes, see crafts and meet all the families during the day.*

*Our 2025 Reunion will be part of the 4<sup>th</sup> Grand Réveil Acadien, which will occur throughout South Louisiana during 11-18 October 2025. The Grand Réveil Acadien is similar to the Congrès Mondial Acadien with a variety of activities occurring throughout the 9-day period in Acadian towns of South Louisiana. You can click on this link often to get the latest information on the Grand Réveil Acadien. <https://www.louisianeacadie.com>*

*And, as lagniappe, the world renown Festivals Acadiens et Créoles will be held at Girard Park in Lafayette, LA on 10-12 October 2025 – overlapping with the Grand Réveil Acadien. The Festivals Acadiens et Créoles is a fabulous festival highlighting Cajun, Creole, Zydeco, Swamp Pop and other music of South Louisiana as well as Cajun cooking, local artisans and a wonderful time with the local Cajuns of Louisiana. And it is FREE!!! There will be five music venues, about 25 cooking booths, over 50 local artisans and lots more. More information is available at: <https://festivalsacadiens.com>*

*Now is the time! Begin making your plans to head south to Louisiana in October 2025 and envelope yourself in Cajun culture. Lafayette, LA is a moderate size city with lots of motels and B&B's, fabulous restaurants, music halls, two historic Acadian villages (Vermilionville and Acadian Village), several Acadian museums, art galleries and many historic houses & buildings. And nearby towns of Breaux Bridge, St. Martinville, Opelousas, Eunice, Church Point, Rayne, Crowley, New Iberia and Abbeville to name a few offer many opportunities to delve into Cajun culture and history.*

*Additionally, Jean Lafitte National Historical Park and Acadian Cultural Center is next to Vermilionville at 501 Fisher Road and is free. Other Jean Lafitte National Historical Parks and Acadian Cultural Centers within the area of the Grand Réveil Acadien are at Eunice, LA (focusing on the Prairie Acadians) and Thibodaux, LA (focusing on the Marshland Acadians). <https://www.nps.gov/jela/planyourvisit/new-acadian-cultural-center.htm>*

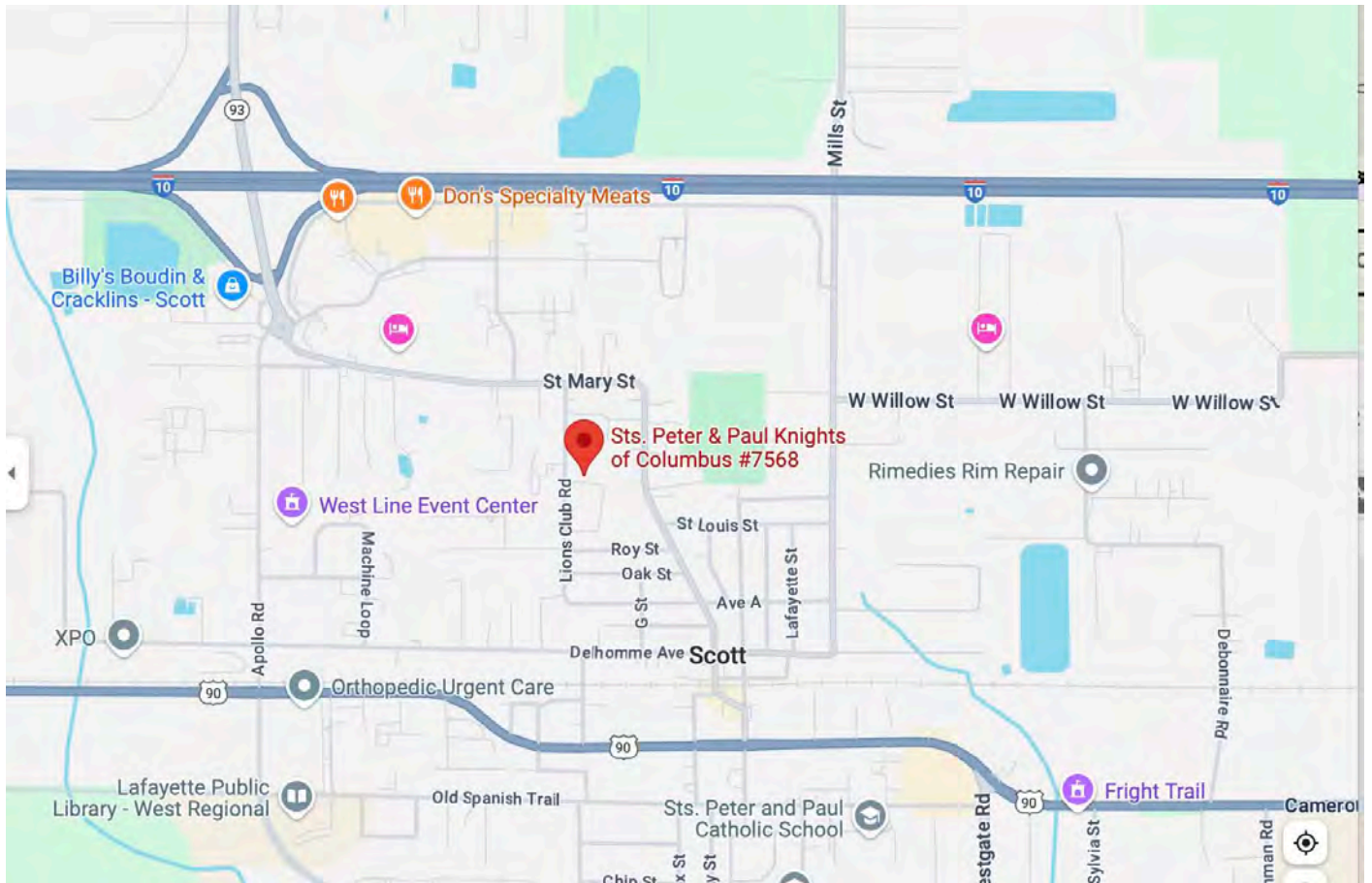
*Airports are at New Orleans, LA (135 miles from Lafayette), Baton Rouge (60 miles from Lafayette), Lafayette and Lake Charles (75 miles from Lafayette). All the airports have rental vehicles. Two major highways go through Lafayette (I-10 east/west) and I-49 (north/south) as well as I-20 in north Louisiana and I-55 and I-59 in east Louisiana.*

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***Map with Location of Scott, LA Knights of Columbus Hall***





*Vermilionville's La Maison des Cultures*



*Scott –Here the West Begins*

# ***SURVIVING PRE-DEPORTATION ACADIAN ECCLESIASTICAL VITAL RECORDS***

***by R. Martin Guidry***

*At least three major factors greatly assist Acadians studying their genealogy and family history. Acadians prior to the deportation were Catholic and the Catholic Church in France and in Acadia kept detailed records of baptisms and marriages and often burials. The French (Acadia, Québec & Louisiana), British (Acadia & Maritime Provinces) and Spanish (Louisiana) enumerated their citizens in censuses regularly and kept records of life events. When deported, the Acadians were sent primarily to the Atlantic seaboard and Europe – both areas with established populations that kept detailed records.*

*Although at the time of the Acadian deportations the British burned the Acadian churches and destroyed the ecclesiastical (church) records of many churches, some of the records survived. According to Catholic Canon law, the ecclesiastical vital records belong to the parishioners of the church and not the Catholic Church or government. In at least one case, the parishioners of Saint-Charles-des-Mines Catholic Church at Grand-Pré took their records at the time of the deportation and kept them throughout the deportation period.*

## ***Pre-deportation Catholic Church vital records exist for:***

- *Saint-Jean-Baptiste Catholic Church at Port-Royal (Annapolis Royal) [1702-1755]*
- *Notre-Dame-du-Bon-Secours Catholic Church (later called Notre-Dame-de-l'Assomption Catholic Church) (Beaubassin) [1679-1686, 1712-1748]*
- *Notre-Dame-de-la-Visitation Catholic Church (Chipoudy) [1755-1756]*
- *Catholic Chapel (Petitcoudiac) [1753-1757]*
- *Early Missions of Acadia – (Côte-de-Saint-Ange [1680], Rivière Saint-Jean [1681], Jemsek [1681], Rivière aux Mines [1684], Aux-Mines [1686], Sainte-Famille-de-Pabok [1751-1757], Baie-des-Chaleurs, Grande-Rivière, Gaspésie Peninsula from Echedalik to Kamourska, Missions of New Brunswick [1755-1757])*
- *Saint-Charles-des-Mines Catholic Church (Grand-Pré) (1707-1748)*
- *Notre-Dame-des-Anges Catholic Church (Louisbourg, Île-Royale) (1722-1754)*
- *King's Hospital (Louisbourg, Île-Royale) (1719-1742)*
- *Notre-Dame-du-Bon-Secours Catholic Church (La Baleine, Île-Royale) (1753-1757)*
- *Sainte-Claire Catholic Church (Lorembec, Île-Royale) (1716-1745)*
- *Saint-Esprit Catholic Church (Havre-Saint-Esprit, Île-Royale) (1728-1749)*
- *Catholic Mission (Port-aux-Basques, Newfoundland) (1740)*
- *Saint-Jean l'Évangéliste Catholic Church at Port-Lajoie on Île Saint-Jean [1721-1758]*
- *Saint-Pierre Catholic Church at Saint-Pierre-du-Nord on Île Saint-Jean [1724-1758]*

**1) SAINT-JEAN-BAPTISTE CATHOLIC CHURCH (Port-Royal; Annapolis Royal)**  
**[Founded 1613]**

**Images of the original church registers for 1702-1755 can be viewed at:**

<https://archives.novascotia.ca/acadian/>

**The two surviving registers are:**

*Registres de baptêmes mariages et sepultures de la paroisse de St Jean Baptiste du Port Royal (1702-1728)*

*Registres de baptêmes mariages et sepultures de la paroisse de St Jean Baptiste à Annapolis Royal (1727-1755)*

**They are maintained at:**

Centre Acadien  
Louis-R.-Comeau Library Building  
Université Sainte-Anne  
1695 Highway 1  
Church Point, Nova Scotia B0W 1M0 Canada

**Microfilm copies of the original records are at:**

Centre d'Études Acadiennes  
University of Moncton  
18 Antonine-Maillet Avenue  
Moncton, New Brunswick E1A 3E9 Canada  
Microfilms F-1018 and F-1019

**Transcriptions of these registers are available at:**

Library and Archives Canada  
Public Archives and National Library Building  
395 Wellington Street  
Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0J1 Canada  
Microfilms C-1869 and C-1870 (MG 9-B8-24)

**And can be viewed at:**

[https://heritage.canadiana.ca/view/oocihm.lac\\_reel\\_c1869/903](https://heritage.canadiana.ca/view/oocihm.lac_reel_c1869/903)  
[https://heritage.canadiana.ca/view/oocihm.lac\\_reel\\_c1870/5](https://heritage.canadiana.ca/view/oocihm.lac_reel_c1870/5)

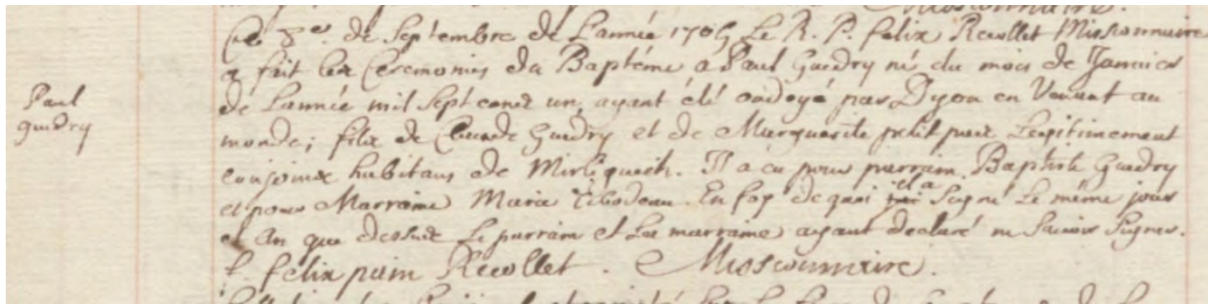
**Translations of these registers for 1702-1740 are available:**

Rieder, Milton P., Jr. & Rieder, Norma Gaudet; **Acadian Church Records – Volume III, Port Royal, 1702-1721** (Privately Published; Metairie, Louisiana; 1977)

[Note: Last entries are in 1716]

Rieder, Milton P., Jr. & Rieder, Norma Gaudet; **Acadian Church Records – Volume IV, Port Royal, 1716-1729** (Privately Published; Metairie, Louisiana; 1983)

Rieder, Milton P., Jr. & Rieder, Norma Gaudet; **Acadian Church Records – Volume V, Port Royal, 1730-1740** (Privately Published; Metairie, Louisiana; 1983)



Baptism of Paul Guédry (son of Claude Guédry & Marguerite Petitpas) – Saint-Jean-Baptiste Catholic Church, Port-Royal, Acadia; 27 Oct 1705



Saint-Jean-Baptiste Catholic Church; Port-Royal, Acadia (#1) next to Fort Anne (#3) [Map drawn by Jean-Baptiste Franquelin in 1686 (Bibliothèque Nationale de France, Département Cartes et Plans, GE SH 18 PF 133 DIV 8 P 2)]

1721

Claude  
Petitpas  
et Françoise  
La Vergne.

Le Septième jour de Janvier de l'année mil sept cent  
vingt et un mes, Soussigné faisant les fonctions curiales  
à Port-Royale de L'Acadie après avoir publié  
avec sans aucun il le soit tenue aucune opposition  
J'ay coustume par paroles de presenté et encre  
Le Sieur Claude Petitpas fils de Claude Petitpas  
et de Catherine Bugaret et Françoise La Vergne  
fils de Pierre La Vergne cédant Canon  
habitant de la dite paroisse en son desquels  
avec l'époux et l'épouse, les pères et mères  
le jour et encre de l'heure.

Claude Petitpas <sup>marque de L'homme.</sup>  
Joseph Petitpas <sup>g Bourgeois</sup>  
marque de son père et de son frère. <sup>marque de Françoise</sup>  
marque de Joseph <sup>marque de son père et de son frère.</sup>  
N. Chacomaque Curier N. m. m. m. m. m.

Marriage of Jean Petitpas (Claude Petitpas & Catherine Bugaret) and Françoise La Vergne (Pierre La Vergne & Anne Bernon) – Saint-Jean-Baptiste Catholic Church; Acadia; 7 Jan 1721



Registers of Saint-Jean-Baptiste Catholic Church; Annapolis Royal, Acadia

**2) NOTRE-DAME-DU-BON-SECOURS CATHOLIC CHURCH (Beaubassin)**  
**[Later called Notre-Dame-de-l'Assomption] [Founded 1679]**

**A - Images of the original church registers for 1679-1686 can be viewed at:**

<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3Q57-L99S-FHHZ?i=264&cc=1321742&cat=48643&lang=en>

**The surviving register (1679-1686) is maintained at:**

Québec Archdiocesan Archives  
Bishop's University  
2600 College Street  
Sherbrooke, Québec J1M 0C8 Canada

**Microfilm copies of the original records are at:**

Library and Archives Canada  
Public Archives and National Library Building  
395 Wellington Street  
Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0J1 Canada  
Microfilm C-3021 (MG9-B8-1)

Centre d'Études Acadiennes  
University of Moncton  
18 Antonine-Maillet Avenue  
Moncton, New Brunswick E1A 3E9 Canada  
Microfilm F-1030

**Transcriptions of this register are available at:**

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Public Archives and National Library Building  
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Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0J1 Canada  
Microfilm C-3021 (MG9-B8-1)

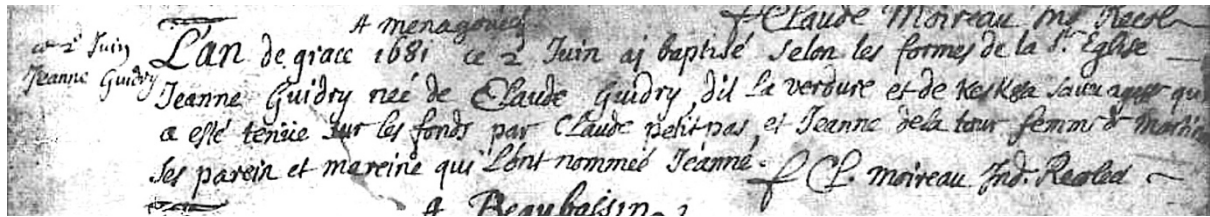
**And can be viewed at:**

[https://heritage.canadiana.ca/view/oocihm.lac\\_reel\\_c3021/6](https://heritage.canadiana.ca/view/oocihm.lac_reel_c3021/6) and at

<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3Q57-L99S-FHYZ?i=276&cc=1321742&cat=48643>

**Translations of these registers are available:**

DeVille, Winston; **Acadian Church Records- Volume I, Being A Compilation of Miscellaneous Baptismal, Marriage, And Funeral Records From Beaubassin, Riviere St. Jean, Mines, Missions In New Brunswick, And The Parish Churches of Ste. Famille de Pabok, Baie des Chaleurs, Grand Riviere, And Other Places In Acadia And The Gaspé Peninsula, 1679-1757** (Privately Published; Mobile, Alabama; 1964)



Baptism of Jeanne Guédry (Claude Guédry & Kesk8a, Mi'kmaq) - Catholique Registres de l'Acadie et de la Gaspésie; Saint-Jean River at Menagoneck, Acadia; 2 Jun 1681 (This is earliest record known of Claude Guédry - founder of Guédry family)

**B - Images of the original church registers for 1712-1748 can be viewed at:**

[http://www.archinoe.fr/console/ir\\_ead\\_visu.php?PHPID=dc1dc3bba201c88a28fa64c5758cf6b8&ir=23107#](http://www.archinoe.fr/console/ir_ead_visu.php?PHPID=dc1dc3bba201c88a28fa64c5758cf6b8&ir=23107#)

**The surviving registers (1712-1723, 1732-1735, 1740-1741, 1741-1746, 1747-1748) are maintained at:**

Archives Départementales de la Charente-Maritime  
35 rue François-de-Vaux-de-Folentier  
17042 La Rochelle, Cedex 1, France

**Microfilm copies of the original records are at:**

Library and Archives Canada  
Public Archives and National Library Building  
395 Wellington Street  
Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0J1 Canada  
Microfilm F-696 (MG6-A2)

Centre d'Études Acadiennes  
University of Moncton  
18 Antonine-Maillet Avenue  
Moncton, New Brunswick E1A 3E9 Canada  
Microfilm F-1038

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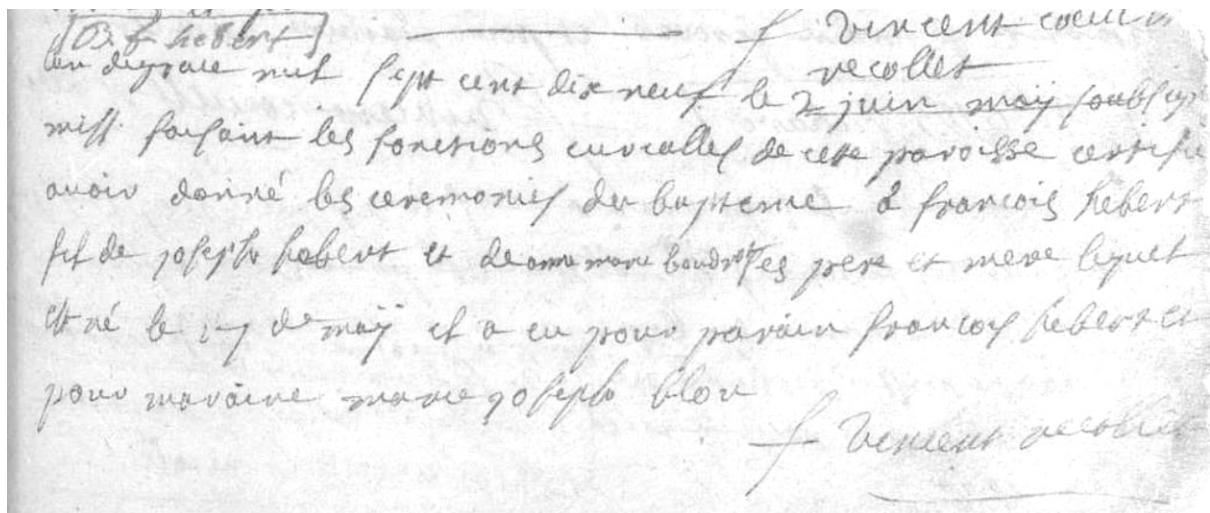
Library and Archives Canada  
Public Archives and National Library Building  
395 Wellington Street  
Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0J1 Canada  
Microfilm C-1207

**And can be viewed at:**

[https://heritage.canadiana.ca/view/oocihm.lac\\_reel\\_c1207/1](https://heritage.canadiana.ca/view/oocihm.lac_reel_c1207/1)

**Translations of these registers for 1712-1748 are available:**

Rieder, Milton P., Jr. & Rieder, Norma Gaudet; **Acadian Church Records – Volume II, Beaubassin, 1712-1748** (Privately Published; Metairie, Louisiana; 1976)



Baptism of Francçois Hébert (Joseph Hébert & Marie Boudrot) - Notre-Dame-du-Bon-Secours Catholic Church; Beaubassin; Acadia; 2 Jun 1719

**3) NOTRE-DAME-DE-LA-VISITATION CATHOLIC CHURCH (Chipoudy)**

**Images of the original church registers for 1755-1756 can be viewed at:**

<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3QSQ-G99S-FHZZ?i=316&cc=1321742&cat=48643&lang=en>

**The surviving register (1755-1756) is maintained at:**

Québec Archdiocesan Archives  
Bishop's University  
2600 College Street  
Sherbrooke, Québec J1M 0C8 Canada

**Microfilm copies of the original records are at:**

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Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0J1 Canada  
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Microfilm F-1030

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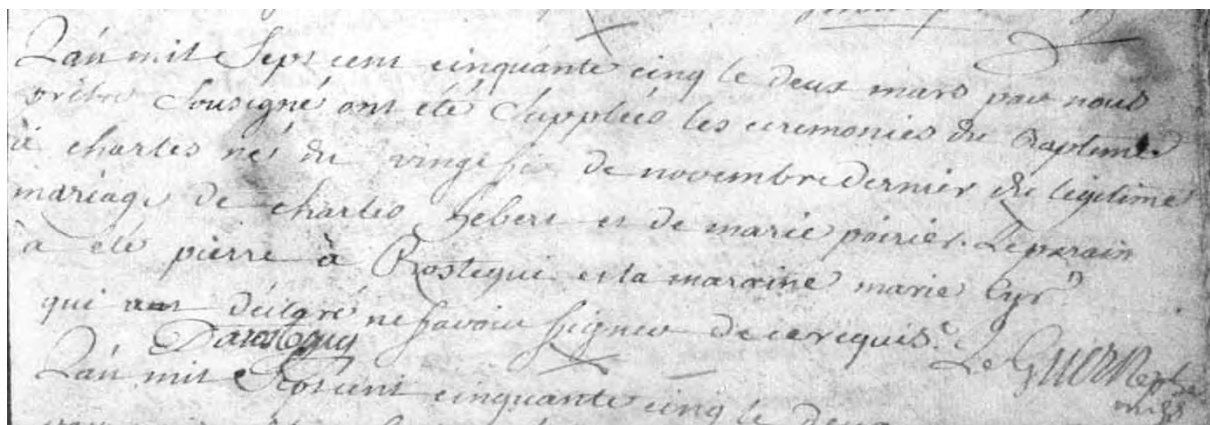
Library and Archives Canada  
Public Archives and National Library Building  
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Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0J1 Canada  
Microfilm C-3021 (MG9-B8-1)

**And can be viewed at:**

<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3Q57-L99S-F45T?i=339&cc=1321742&cat=48643&lang=en> and at  
[https://heritage.canadiana.ca/view/oocihm.lac\\_reel\\_c3021/46](https://heritage.canadiana.ca/view/oocihm.lac_reel_c3021/46)

**Translations of these registers are available:**

DeVille, Winston; **Acadian Church Records- Volume I, Being A Compilation of Miscellaneous Baptismal, Marriage, And Funeral Records From Beaubassin, Riviere St. Jean, Mines, Missions In New Brunswick, And The Parish Churches of Ste. Famille de Pabok, Baie des Chaleurs, Grand Riviere, And Other Places In Acadia And The Gaspé Peninsula, 1679-1757** (Privately Published; Mobile, Alabama; 1964)



Baptism of Charles Hébert (Charles Hébert & Marie Poirier)- Notre-Dame-de-la-Visitation Catholic Church; Chipoudy, Acadia; 2 Mar 1755

#### **4) CATHOLIC CHAPEL (Petitcoudiac)**

**Images of the original church registers for 1753-1757 can be viewed at:**

<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3QSQ-G99S-FHZZ?i=316&cc=1321742&cat=48643&lang=en>

**The surviving register (1753-1757) is maintained at:**

Québec Archdiocesan Archives  
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Sherbrooke, Québec J1M 0C8 Canada

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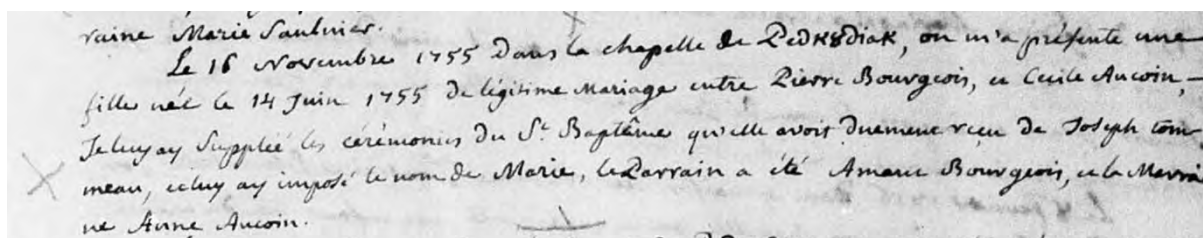
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Public Archives and National Library Building  
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Baptism of Marie Bourgeois (Pierre Bourgeois & Cécile Aucoin) - Catholic Chapel; Petitcoudiac, Acadia; 16 Nov 1755

**5) VARIOUS EARLY CATHOLIC CHURCHES OF CHIGNECTO REGION AND NEW BRUNSWICK (Côte-de-Saint-Ange [1680], Rivière Saint-Jean [1681], Jemsek [1681], Rivière aux Mines [1684], Aux-Mines [1686], Sainte-Famille-de-Pabok [1751-1757], Baie-des-Chaleurs, Grande-Rivière, Gaspésie Peninsula from Echedalîk to Kamourska, Missions of New Brunswick [1755-1757])**

**Images of the original church registers can be viewed at:**

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**Microfilm copies of the original records are at:**

Library and Archives Canada  
Public Archives and National Library Building  
395 Wellington Street  
Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0J1 Canada  
Microfilm C-3021 (MG9-B8-1)

Centre d'Études Acadiennes  
University of Moncton  
18 Antonine-Maillet Avenue  
Moncton, New Brunswick E1A 3E9 Canada  
Microfilm F-1030

**Transcriptions of this register are available at:**

Library and Archives Canada  
Public Archives and National Library Building  
395 Wellington Street  
Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0J1 Canada  
Microfilm C-3021 (MG9-B8-1)

**And can be viewed at:**

[https://heritage.canadiana.ca/view/oocihm.lac\\_reel\\_c3021/6](https://heritage.canadiana.ca/view/oocihm.lac_reel_c3021/6) and at  
<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3Q57-L99S-FHMQ?i=276&cc=1321742&cat=48643>

**Translations of these registers are available:**

DeVile, Winston; **Acadian Church Records- Volume I, Being A Compilation of Miscellaneous Baptismal, Marriage, And Funeral Records From Beaubassin, Riviere St. Jean, Mines, Missions In New Brunswick, And The Parish Churches of Ste. Famille de Pabok, Baie des Chaleurs, Grand Riviere, And Other Places In Acadia And The Gaspé Peninsula, 1679-1757**  
(Privately Published; Mobile, Alabama; 1964)

**6) SAINT-CHARLES-DES-MINES CATHOLIC CHURCH (Grand-Pré)**  
**[Founded 1687]**

**Images of the original church registers are not available online.**

**The three surviving registers cover the periods 1707-1716, 1717-1739 and 1739-1748.**

**They are maintained at:**

Diocese of Baton Rouge  
Diocesan Archives and Records Center  
1919 Parker Street  
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70808

**Microfilm copies of the original records are at:**

Centre d'Études Acadiennes  
University of Moncton  
18 Antonine-Maillet Avenue  
Moncton, New Brunswick E1A 3E9 Canada  
Microfilm F-1942 (1707-1748)

**Transcription of these registers made ca. 1895 is available at:**

Library and Archives Canada  
Public Archives and National Library Building  
395 Wellington Street  
Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0J1 Canada  
Microfilm C-1869 (MG9-B8-12)

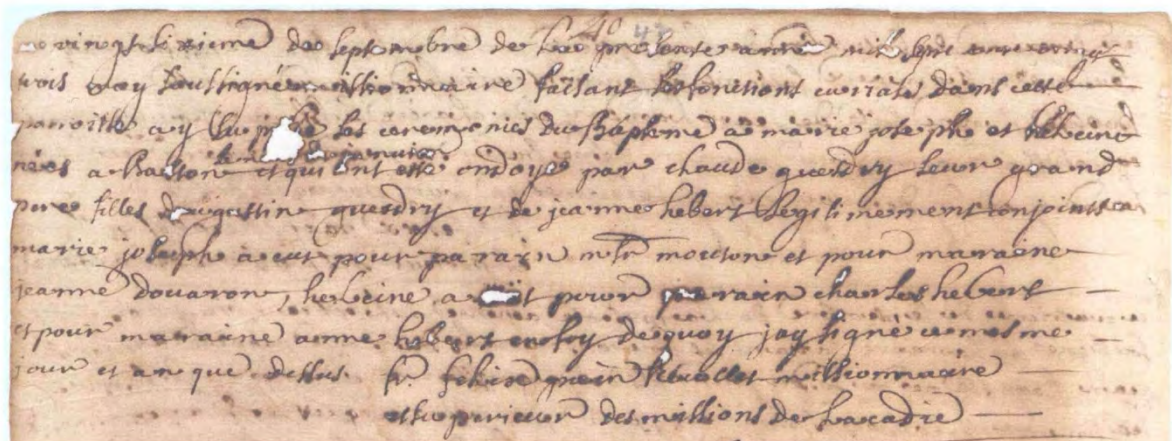
**And can be viewed at:**

[https://heritage.canadiana.ca/view/oocihm.lac\\_reel\\_c1869/8](https://heritage.canadiana.ca/view/oocihm.lac_reel_c1869/8) and at  
<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3Q9M-CSLG-27FQ-V?cat=193620&i=10&lang=en>

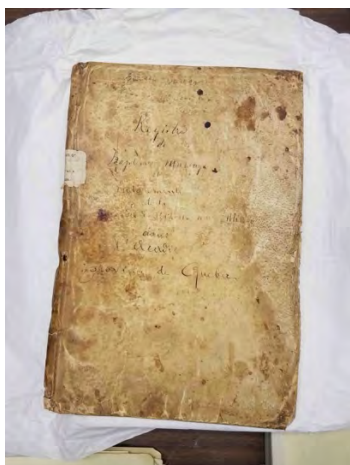
**Abstracts of all entries listed alphabetically by surname of these registers are available:**

Pollard, Nora; **Diocese of Baton Rouge Catholic Church Records – Volume 1 (1707-1769)**  
(Catholic Diocese of Baton Rouge; Baton Rouge, LA; 1978)

Daigre, Una; **Diocese of Baton Rouge Catholic Church Records – Volume 1a Revised (1707-1748)**  
Catholic Diocese of Baton Rouge; Baton Rouge, LA; 1999)



Baptism of Hélène & Marie-Joséphé Guédry (twins) (Augustin Guédry & Jeanne Hébert; Ondoyé by Claude Guédry, their grandfather)- Saint-Charles-des-Mines Catholic Church; Grand-Pré, Acadia; 26 Sep 1723



*Cover of Saint-Charles-des-Mines Catholic Church Register; Grand-Pré, Acadia Brought from Acadia to St. Gabriel, Louisiana*



*Memorial of Saint-Charles-des-Mines Catholic Church; Grand-Pré, Acadia*

## **7) NOTRE-DAME-DES-ANGES CATHOLIC CHURCH (Louisbourg, Île-Royale) [Founded 1713]**

**Images of the original church registers for 1722-1738, 1738-1745 and 1749-1754 can be viewed at:**

<https://recherche-collection-search.bac-lac.gc.ca/eng/Home/Record?app=fonandcol&IdNumber=2318734&ecopy=e001358205> (1722-1738)

<https://recherche-collection-search.bac-lac.gc.ca/eng/Home/Record?app=fonandcol&IdNumber=2318735&ecopy=e001358470> (1738-1745)

<https://recherche-collection-search.bac-lac.gc.ca/eng/home/record?idnumber=2318736&app=fonandcol&ecopy=e001358907> (1749-1754)

<https://recherche-collection-search.bac-lac.gc.ca/eng/Home/Record?app=fonandcol&IdNumber=2318737&ecopy=e001359257> (1754-1758)

**Individual images of the original church registers for 1722-1738, 1738-1745 and 1749-1754 can be viewed at:**

<http://www.krausehouse.ca/krause/FortressOfLouisbourgManuscriptsAndIndexes/G1-406-410LouisbourgParishRecordsManuscriptImages-1.htm>

**They are maintained at:**

Archives National d'Outre-Mer  
Centre des Archives d'Outre-Mer  
29 Chemin du Moulin de Testas  
Aix-en-Provence, France CEDEX 5 13182  
MG1, G1, Vol. 406, 407, 408, 409, 411

**Microfilm copies of the original records are at:**

Centre d'Études Acadiennes  
University of Moncton  
18 Antonine-Maillet Avenue  
Moncton, New Brunswick E1A 3E9 Canada  
Microfilms F-1790 and F-1791

Library and Archives Canada  
Public Archives and National Library Building  
395 Wellington Street  
Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0J1 Canada  
Microfilms F-592, F-593, F-596 (MG1, G1, Vol. 406, 407, 408, 409, 411)

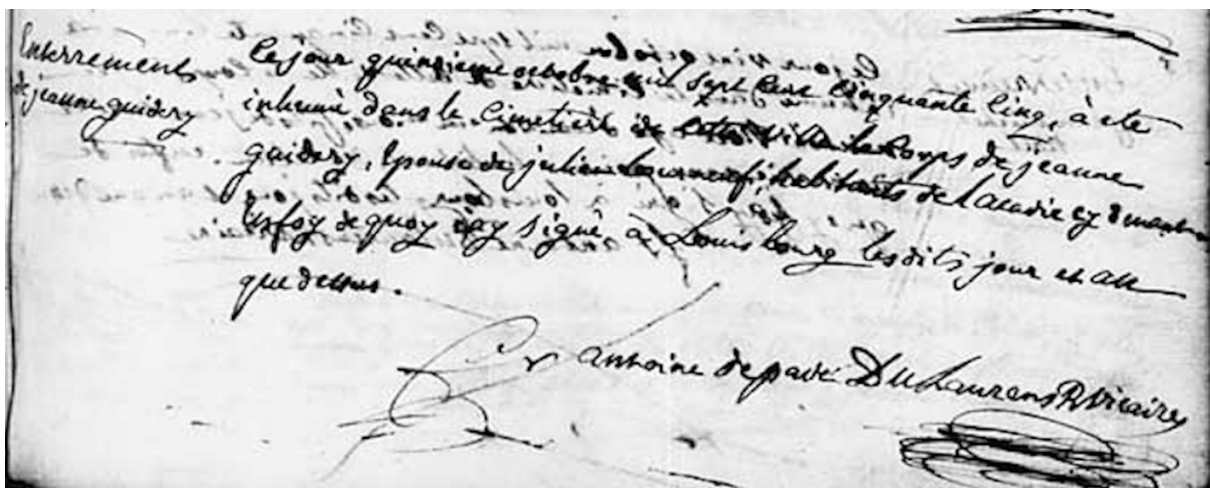
**Transcriptions of these registers are available at:**

Library and Archives Canada  
Public Archives and National Library Building  
395 Wellington Street  
Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0J1 Canada  
Microfilms C-3111, C-3112 and C-2573

**And can be viewed at:**

[https://heritage.canadiana.ca/view/oocihm.lac\\_reel\\_c3111/5](https://heritage.canadiana.ca/view/oocihm.lac_reel_c3111/5) (1722-1738)  
[https://heritage.canadiana.ca/view/oocihm.lac\\_reel\\_c3111/830](https://heritage.canadiana.ca/view/oocihm.lac_reel_c3111/830) (1738-1745)  
[https://heritage.canadiana.ca/view/oocihm.lac\\_reel\\_c3112/5](https://heritage.canadiana.ca/view/oocihm.lac_reel_c3112/5) (1738-1745)  
[https://heritage.canadiana.ca/view/oocihm.lac\\_reel\\_c3112/79](https://heritage.canadiana.ca/view/oocihm.lac_reel_c3112/79) (1749-1754)  
[https://heritage.canadiana.ca/view/oocihm.lac\\_reel\\_c2573/7](https://heritage.canadiana.ca/view/oocihm.lac_reel_c2573/7) (1754-1758)

**No translations of these registers are known:**



Burial of Jeanne Guédry (Augustin Guédry & Jeanne Hébert) - Notre-Dame-des-Anges Catholic Church; Louisbourg, Île-Royale, Acadia; 15 Oct 1755

**8) KING'S HOSPITAL (Louisbourg, Île-Royale)**  
**[Founded 1719]**

*[NOTE: Original death records are lost, but alphabetical tables provide the names and dates of death of the soldiers for 1719-1735 and 1719-1742 with several notations from 1754, 1755 & 1758. Also contains list of soldiers that died at the hospital from 31 Oct 1756 to 31 Dec 1757.]*

**Images of the original hospital lists for 1719-1735 and 1719-1742 with notations of 1754, 1755 & 1758 as well as 1756-1757 can be viewed at:**

<https://recherche-collection-search.bac-lac.gc.ca/eng/Home/Record?app=fonandcol&IdNumber=2318742&ecopy=e001360212> (1719-1735)

<https://recherche-collection-search.bac-lac.gc.ca/eng/Home/Record?app=fonandcol&IdNumber=2318741&ecopy=e001360207> (1719-1742)

**Individual images of the original lists for 1719-1735 and 1719-1754 can be viewed at:**

<http://www.krausehouse.ca/krause/FortressOfLouisbourgManuscriptsAndIndexes/G1-406-410LouisbourgParishRecordsManuscriptImages-1.htm>

**They are maintained at:**

Archives National d'Outre-Mer  
Centre des Archives d'Outre-Mer  
29 Chemin du Moulin de Testas  
Aix-en-Provence, France CEDEX 5 13182  
MG1, G1, Vol. 411-3

**Microfilm copies of the original records are at:**

Centre d'Études Acadiennes  
University of Moncton  
18 Antonine-Maillet Avenue  
Moncton, New Brunswick E1A 3E9 Canada  
Microfilm F-1794

**No transcriptions of these registers are known.**

**No translations of these registers are known.**

- 9) **NOTRE-DAME-DU-BON-SECOURS CATHOLIC CHURCH (La Baleine, Île -Royale)**  
**[Founded 1714];**  
**SAINTE-CLAIRE CATHOLIC CHURCH (Lorembec, Île--)** **[Founded 1714];**  
**SAINT-ESPRIT CATHOLIC CHURCH (Havre-Saint-Esprit, Île-Royale)** **[Founded 1724] &**  
**CATHOLIC MISSION (Port-aux-Basques, Newfoundland)** **[Founded 1740]**

***[NOTE: The records for La Baleine, Lorembec, Havre-Saint-Esprit and Port-aux-Basques are interfiled in a single register. Port-aux-Basques was a mission served by missionaries at Île-Royale. The records also mention Fourchu, Île-Royale.]***

**Images of the original church registers for La Baleine (1753-1757), Lorembec (1716-1721 and 1726-1745, Havre-Saint-Esprit (1728-1737, 1741-1749) and Port-aux-Basques (1740) can be viewed at:**

<https://recherche-collection-search.bac-lac.gc.ca/eng/home/record?idnumber=2318738&app=fonandcol&ecopy=e001359605>

**Individual images of these original church registers can be viewed at:**

<http://www.krausehouse.ca/krause/FortressOfLouisbourgManuscriptsAndIndexes/G1-406-410LouisbourgParishRecordsManuscriptImages-1.htm>

**They are maintained at:**

Archives National d'Outre-Mer  
Centre des Archives d'Outre-Mer  
29 Chemin du Moulin de Testas  
Aix-en-Provence, France CEDEX 5 13182  
MG1, G1, Vol. 410

**Microfilm copies of the original records are at:**

Centre d'Études Acadiennes  
University of Moncton  
18 Antonine-Maillet Avenue  
Moncton, New Brunswick E1A 3E9 Canada  
Microfilms F-1792

Library and Archives Canada  
Public Archives and National Library Building  
395 Wellington Street  
Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0J1 Canada  
Microfilms F-594 (MG1, G1, Vol. 410)

**Transcriptions of these registers are available at:**

Library and Archives Canada  
Public Archives and National Library Building  
395 Wellington Street  
Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0J1 Canada  
Microfilm C-2573

**And can be viewed at:**

[https://heritage.canadiana.ca/view/oocihm.lac\\_reel\\_c2573/715](https://heritage.canadiana.ca/view/oocihm.lac_reel_c2573/715)

**No translations of these registers are known.**

**10) SAINT-JEAN-L'ÉVANGÉLISTE CATHOLIC CHURCH (Port LaJoie, Île Saint-jean)  
[Founded 1720]**

**Images of the original church registers for 1721-1744, 1749-1751 & 1751-1758 can be viewed at:**

<https://recherche-collection-search.bac-lac.gc.ca/eng/home/record?idnumber=2318739&app=fonandcol&ecopy=e001359906>

[**NOTE:** There are several loose sheets between the registers dating from 1720-1730 and 1736. Also, the register from 1749-1751 contains the records of Saint-Pierre Catholic Church of Saint-Pierre-du-Nord, Île Saint-Jean and those Saint-Jean L'Évangéliste Catholic Church as Père Patrice Lagrée moved from Saint-Pierre-du-Nord to Port-LaJoie and brought this register with him.]

**The surviving registers (1721-1744, 1749-1751, 1752-1758) are maintained at:**

Archives National d'Outre-Mer  
Centre des Archives d'Outre-Mer  
29 Chemin du Moulin de Testas  
Aix-en-Provence, France CEDEX 5 13182  
MG1, G1, Vol. 411-2

**Microfilm copies of the original records are at:**

Library and Archives Canada  
Public Archives and National Library Building  
395 Wellington Street  
Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0J1 Canada  
Microfilms F-595 & F-596 (Index)

Centre d'Études Acadiennes  
University of Moncton  
18 Antonine-Maillet Avenue  
Moncton, New Brunswick E1A 3E9 Canada  
Microfilm F-1792

**Transcriptions of this register are available at:**

Library and Archives Canada  
Public Archives and National Library Building  
395 Wellington Street  
Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0J1 Canada  
Microfilm C-1472

**And can be viewed at:**

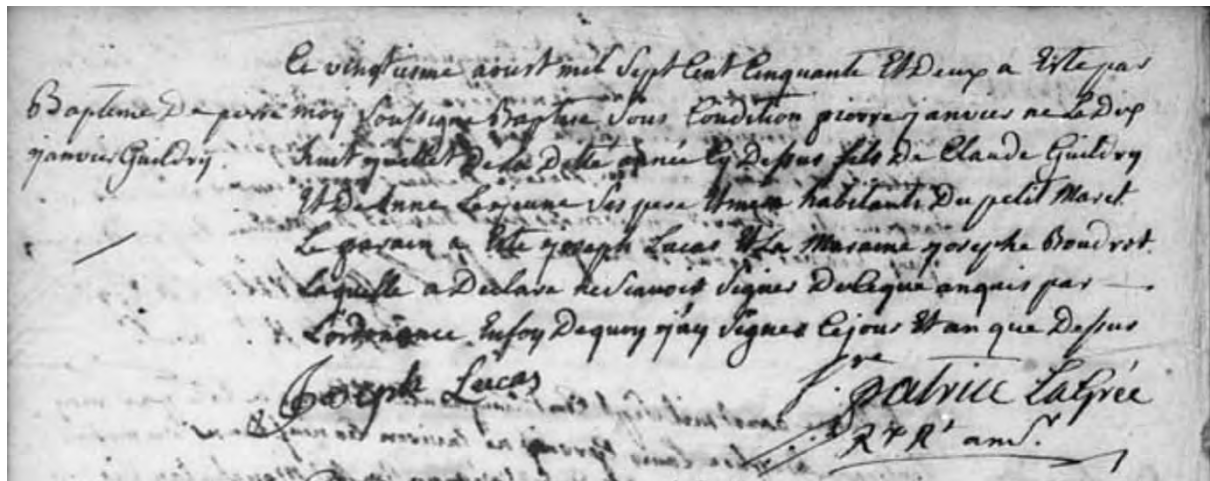
[https://heritage.canadiana.ca/view/oocihm.lac\\_reel\\_c1472/5](https://heritage.canadiana.ca/view/oocihm.lac_reel_c1472/5) (1721-1744)

[https://heritage.canadiana.ca/view/oocihm.lac\\_reel\\_c1472/284](https://heritage.canadiana.ca/view/oocihm.lac_reel_c1472/284) (1749-1751)

[https://heritage.canadiana.ca/view/oocihm.lac\\_reel\\_c1472/399](https://heritage.canadiana.ca/view/oocihm.lac_reel_c1472/399) (1752-1758)

**Translations of these registers are available:**

Hebert, Tim; **Acadian Church Records, Port-LaJoye, Ile St. Jean, 1749-1758 – St. Jean l'Évangéliste Parish** (Privately Published; Tim Hebert, 2000)



Baptism of Paul Janvier Guédry (Claude Guédry & Anne LeJeune) - Saint-Jean-l'Évangéliste Catholic Church; Île Saint-Jean, Acadia; 20 Aug 1752

**11) SAINT-PIERRE CATHOLIC CHURCH (Saint-Pierre-du-Nord, Île Saint-jean)  
[Founded ca. 1720]**

**Images of the original church registers for 1749-1751 can be viewed at:**

<https://recherche-collection-search.bac-lac.gc.ca/eng/home/record?idnumber=2318739&app=fonandcol&ecopy=e001359906> (1749-1751)

**[NOTE: The registers for Saint-Pierre-du-Nord Catholic Church for 1724-1747 & 1752-1758 are not available online.]**

**[NOTE: In the registers for Saint-Jean-l'Évangéliste Catholic Church at Port-Lajoie, Île Saint-Jean the register from 1749-1751 contains the records of Saint-Pierre Catholic Church of Saint-Pierre-du-Nord, Île Saint-Jean and those Saint-Jean L'Évangéliste Catholic Church as Père Patrice Lagrée moved from Saint-Pierre-du-Nord to Port-LaJoie and brought this register with him.]**

**The surviving registers (1724, 1728-1730, 1732-1747, 1752-1758) are maintained at:**

Archives Départementales d'Ille-et-Vilaine  
1 Rue Jacques-Léonard  
35000 Rennes, France  
MG6, A4; MG6-B4; Microfilm F-817

**The surviving register (1749-1751) is maintained at:**

Archives National d'Outre-Mer  
Centre des Archives d'Outre-Mer  
29 Chemin du Moulin de Testas  
Aix-en-Provence, France CEDEX 5 13182  
MG1, G1, Vol. 411-2; Microfilm F-595

**Microfilm copies of the original records are at:**

Library and Archives Canada  
Public Archives and National Library Building  
395 Wellington Street  
Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0J1 Canada  
Microfilms F-817 & F-595

Centre d'Études Acadiennes  
University of Moncton  
18 Antonine-Maillet Avenue  
Moncton, New Brunswick E1A 3E9 Canada  
Microfilms F-1059 & F-1792

**Transcriptions of this register are available at:**

Library and Archives Canada  
Public Archives and National Library Building  
395 Wellington Street  
Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0J1 Canada  
Microfilms C-2970 & C-1472

**And can be viewed at:**

[https://heritage.canadiana.ca/view/oocihm.lac\\_reel\\_c2970/2](https://heritage.canadiana.ca/view/oocihm.lac_reel_c2970/2) (1721-1744 & 1752-1758)

[https://heritage.canadiana.ca/view/oocihm.lac\\_reel\\_c1472/284](https://heritage.canadiana.ca/view/oocihm.lac_reel_c1472/284) (1749-1751)

**Translations of these registers are available:**

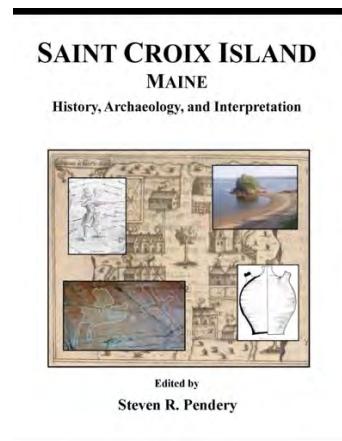
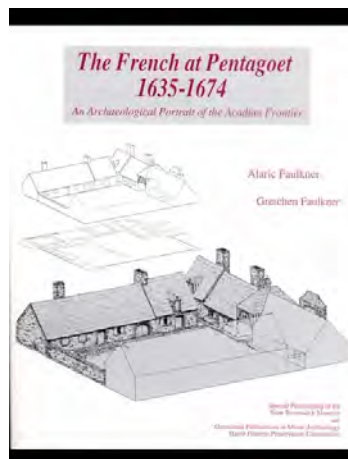
Hebert, Rev. Donald J.; *Acadians in Exile* (Hébert Publications; Rayne, Louisiana; 1980)

[**NOTE:** The church records of Saint-Pierre Catholic Church at Saint-Pierre-du-Nord are included in alphabetical order in this book with the church records of Acadians in France and in the Caribbean.]

## ÇI ET ÇA

### 1) **A Couple of Interesting Books**

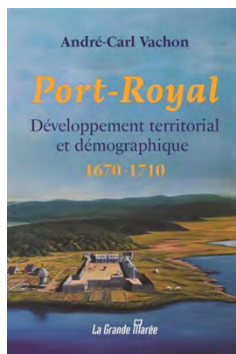
The Maine Archeological Society has a number of interesting books for sale concerning archeological investigations and excellent site histories. Several are of early Acadian sites. Two specific books are: **The French at Pentagoet 1635-1674** by Alaric Faulkner and Gretchen Faulkner (\$15.00) and **Saint Croix Island Maine – History, Archaeology, and Interpretation** by Steven R. Pendery (\$33.00). **The French at Pentagoet 1635-1674** was published in 1987 and is available on Amazon for \$243. The Maine Archeological Society published the 1987 book and the ones for sale there are the same edition – just extra copies that never sold. See below why you may want to consider buying the Pentagoet book. The link to the bookstore of the Maine Archeological Society is: <https://mainearchsociety.org/store/>



### 2) **“Port-Royal – Développement territorial et démographique 1670-1710 – Hypothesis of Claude Guédry’s Arrival in Acadia**

André-Carl Vachon, an internationally-acclaimed, award-winning author of Acadian history, has just published his latest book – **Port-Royal – Développement territorial et démographique 1670-1710**. It is available on Amazon.com for \$32.95. It is in French, but there are lots of tables and much of the book is written in a genealogical dictionary style which makes it easy for an English reader to understand. What is really significant is that Mr. Vachon used numerous original records from the very early period of Acadian history and hypothesized how many of the original pioneers reached Acadia and where they spent their early years. Mr. Vachon’s books, including this one,

are well-researched and very well-documented in footnotes. In this book Mr. Vachon hypothesizes that Claude Guédry, the founder of the Guédry family in Acadia, arrived in Acadia in 1670 on the Le Saint Sébastien - a 250-ton vessel captained by Louis Chadeau de La Clocheterie. It departed La Rochelle, France about May 1670 with 31 soldiers and arrived at Pentagouët on 17 July 1670. Claude Guédry is hypothesized to be one of the soldiers to be stationed at Pentagouët. He would have initially settled at Pentagouët in 1670 and in 1672 would have moved to Port-Royal due to the famine at Pentagouët. We have seen many theories over the years on the origins of Claude Guédry – almost all have no basis for the claims. Mr. Vachon's hypothesis is based on using available documents of the early Acadian time period and developing a reasonable hypothesis from the known facts.



### 3) **Residence Plantation (Volumnia Farm) in Houma, Louisiana**

The next time you are in south Louisiana consider a visit to Residence Plantation (Volumnia Farm) on Park Avenue in Houma, Louisiana (Terrebonne Parish). Residence Plantation is a working plantation owned by Wilson Gaidry III (yes, Gaidry is a form of Guédry). It has been in the Gaidry family since 1828 and has been in production since that time. You can tour the plantation home and the farm for \$20 per person and is well worth the price. The home is filled with priceless heirlooms as well as a wealth of genealogical photographs and documents. At 85 years old, Wilson still works on the farm daily. You can learn the history of the plantation and the genealogy of the Gaidry family at this website: <https://volumniafarm.com>

### 4) **New Websites for Les Guédry et Petitpas d'Asteur**

Recently Rootsweb quit hosting websites where our Les Guédry et Petitpas d'Asteur websites had been for over 20 years. We have migrated our websites to Hostinger and the new website addresses are:

<https://www.quedryfamily.quedry.org> (Family website)

<https://www.quedry.quedry.org> (Genealogical database)

## 5) Memorial Plaques

*Most folks at our Reunion in St. Alphonse, Nova Scotia on 15 August 2024 saw the Memorial Plaque to Augustin Guédry & Marie Jeanson – the founders of St. Alphonse and the founding “parents” of the Jeddry and Geddry families of the St. Mary’s Bay area. It is located behind the church near the cemetery. Les Guédry et Petitpas d’Asteur along with Albert Geddry and others installed this plaque and dedicated it in August 2007 to commemorate our 2004 Reunion in Meteghan/St. Alphonse and to memorialize Augustin Guédry & Marie Jeanson.*

*During the last few years several of us in Les Guédry et Petitpas d’Asteur have discussed installing additional memorial plaques at locations significant to the Guédry and Petitpas families. We could begin with locations where we have held reunions and in which a Guédry or Petitpas had a significant impact. Here are a few candidate sites:*

- (1) 2014 Reunion in Van Buren, Maine.** *In nearby Grand Isle, Maine (approximately 7 miles from our reunion site) Romain Guédry dit Grivois and Marie Comeau settled in the late 1820’s and became the founding ancestors of the Grivois family of Grand Isle and the surrounding area.*
- (2) 1999 Reunion in Houma, Terrebonne Parish, Louisiana.** *Terrebonne Parish and neighboring Lafourche and Assumption Parishes of Louisiana were settled by several Guédry couples and their children who came to Louisiana from France aboard the “Seven Ships” in 1785. The Guidry, Guedry and Gaidry surnames are numerous in today’s Terrebonne Parish.*
- (3) 2015 Reunion in Henderson, Louisiana.** *Acadian deportee Pierre Guédry settled in Cecilia, Louisiana (about 9 miles from Henderson) and had 21 children with his three wives who all preceded him in death. After an early life of poverty, he eventually built up a vast vacherie (cattle ranch) and is the “father” of most of the Guidry families in the Henderson, Breaux Bridge, St. Martinville, Lafayette and Abbeville areas.*
- (4) Chezzetcook, Nova Scotia.** *About 1760 Jean-Baptiste Petitpas and Joseph Petitpas, sons of Claude Petitpas and François LaVerg, migrated from Port Toulouse to Chezzetcook, east of Halifax. The Petitpas of Chezzetcook today descend from these two brothers.*
- (5) Tor Bay Area Nova Scotia (Larry’s River, Port Félix, Charlos Cove).** *From 1797 to 1805 several Acadian families including some Petitpas felt that too many American Loyalists were coming to Chezzetcook. These Acadian families decided to seek a new home away from the Loyalists. They moved to the Tor Bay area and today we find there the Petitpas and Pettipas families.*
- (6) 2004 Reunion at Lunenburg, Nova Scotia.** *Merliguèche (now part of Lunenburg) was the home of Claude Guédry and Marguerite Petitpas. Their son Paul Guédry*

*had a farm just up Brook Street from the fire station where our reunion was held.  
We certainly should have a plaque recognizing our founding ancestors.*

*These are a few locations where we could install memorial plaques to recognize our Guédry and Petitpas ancestors.*

*We need a couple of volunteers willing to chair a small committee to raise sufficient funds, select locations, have plaques designed and made and install/dedicate the plaques. The plaque installed at St. Alphonse cost about \$1200 and took about 4 months to do.*

*If you would like to help with this Les Guédry et Petitpas d'Astcur project and expand our reach and recognition within the Acadian community, please send an email to me at: [guidryRmartin@gmail.com](mailto:guidryRmartin@gmail.com).*



*Augustin Guédry & Marie Jeanson Plaque at St. Alphonse, NS*

## **6) Annual Dues**

*As we enter 2025, it is time once again to ask our members' support of Les Guédry et Petitpas d'Astcur and to renew their membership or join anew. Our dues are quite reasonable at \$6 for an individual or \$10 for a family. We also have several Benefactor Levels for those that wish to provide additional support (dit Jovial at \$50, dit Labine at \$100 and dit Grivois at \$500). You can pay your membership through PayPal by clicking on the link below, choosing the membership level from \$6 to \$500 and then completing the short form.*

*OR, if you prefer, at this same link you can mail a check by clicking the PDF or DOC highlighted area and download a Membership Application (in PDF or DOC), complete it, enclose a check and mail to the address on the Application. This second method also lets you donate any amount you wish by just making your check for that amount. You can also use the Membership Application attached at the end of this newsletter.*

<https://www.quedryfamily.quedry.xyz/membership.html>

*Your membership supports the activities of Les Guédry et Petitpas d'Astcur such as maintaining our two websites, publishing books, holding reunions, having family-oriented tours and other activities to honor our ancestors and bring our family members together. With two large Guédry et Petitpas Reunions in two years (2024 and 2025) our treasury is very tight at this time so your support is vital.*

## **7) An Interesting Photograph**

*In the 11 Jan 1995 edition of The Clare Shopper appeared this 22 May 1915 photograph of workers at the Bangor Sawmill. During our auto tour of Baie Sainte-Marie on 14 Aug 2024 we visited the site of the Bangor Sawmill, which had recently been destroyed by fire. Note in the middle row of the photograph is Isaac Geddry holding his young son Benoit Geddry (4<sup>th</sup> from right side of middle row).*

*Over the years several Geddry and Jeddry men worked various jobs at the Bangor Sawmill – providing the wood necessary for a growing community.*



## Millworkers At The Bangor Sawmill, Bangor, Digby Co., Nova Scotia May 22nd, 1915

### Back Row , Left to Right

Captain Hilden (boss)  
 Jim à Ben Saulnier  
 Fred à Jeremie Maillet  
 Adolphe à Adrien Theriault  
 Zacharie Melanson  
 Elizée à Joe à George Saulnier  
 Melvin Cromwel  
 Johnny Cromwell  
 John Savari  
 Francois à Joe à George Saulnier  
 Rester à Jeremie Maillet  
 Ernie à Lezin Comeau

### Middle Row , Left to Right

Steve à Gloire Comeau  
 Carrie à Pierro LeBlanc  
 Joe à Ansemle à Mack Comeau  
 Adrien à Ambrace Theriault  
 Charlie McLaughlin  
 Isaac à Jim Geddry  
 Berioit à Isaac Geddry  
 William à Mack Comeau  
 Jimmy à Johnny Comeau  
 Dick à Joe à George Saulnier

### Front Row , Left to Right

Evé à Anselm Deveau  
 Médée à Arthur Comeau  
 Phillip à Joe à George Saulnier  
 Léander à Mandé Comeau  
 Albani à Theophile Maillet  
 Delphis à Benjamin Saulnier  
 Edmond à Evé Deveau  
 Joe à Mandé Comeau

## **THE LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT OF PIERRE GUIDRY OF ST. MARTIN PARISH, LOUISIANA (ca. 1741-1825)**

**by Martin Guidry**

*The will of Pierre Guidry is a genealogical gem as it not only names Pierre's parents (which is one of only two documents that does), but it also states the place of his birth, where he resides currently, names all three wives, all of his children and the spouses of his daughters who have married, where he is to be buried and even the names of slaves that he is emancipating. Pierre Guidry's Last Will and Testament is at the St. Martin Parish Clerk of Court's Office in St. Martinville, Louisiana and is Succession #543. It can be viewed on Ancestry.com at this address:*

<https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/2427323:9067?tid=&pid=&queryId=ab5a3ad5560025cbd0dc649a536bb3d5&phsrc=tiw2&phstart=successSource> (pp. 154-155)

*Pierre Guldry, one of the earliest Guédry's to reach Louisiana, had a remarkable, but tragic-filled, life. Born on the shores of beautiful Merliguèche Bay (today Lunenburg Bay) about 1741, Pierre's parents, Augustin Guédry and Jeanne Hébert, must have died before 1753 as in early April 1752 he was living at Baie des Espagnols on Île Royale with his sister Ursule and her husband Paul Boutin. Pierre was eleven years old. Not far distant on Île Royale were five siblings of Pierre in three households; however, their parents, Augustin Guédry and Jeanne Hébert, have disappeared from the record by 1752. They had migrated from Merliguèche to Île Royale about 1750. The land at Île Royale was very rocky, unfertile and not suitable for agriculture. There were little to no meadows on the island for grazing livestock. By August 1754 these four families were starving and they returned by boat to their former home at Merliguèche (Lunenburg) with the consent of the English at Halifax.*

*In September 1755 the English Tender Jolly Bacchus sailed into Lunenburg Bay and captured all 50 Acadians there – including Pierre Guidry and the families of most of his siblings. They were taken to Georges Island in Halifax harbor where they were imprisoned with little clothing and food. Two old warehouses were their only shelter during the brutal winter of 1755. On 15 November 1755 the fifty Acadians on Georges Island including Pierre were loaded onto the Sloop Providence under Master Samuel Barron and deported to Edenton, North Carolina on Albemarle Sound. They arrived on 13 January 1756 after being at sea for two months.*

*Little is known of their stay in North Carolina. Likely they were dispersed to various families in Chowan County where they did manual labor. Almost certainly they remained in poverty. In 1760 after the fall of Québec in 1759 and Montréal in 1760 all of the Acadians in North Carolina, except one (Augustin Deschamps), left North Carolina and headed north. Some went to Maryland and some to Pennsylvania – likely traveling on an oxcart road. Pierre Guidry, now about 19 years of age, probably settled briefly in the Philadelphia area and then*

went to Salem County, New Jersey. He may have worked at the Wistarburg Glass Works in Alloway, Salem County, New Jersey. He was the parrain (godfather) at several baptisms of his nieces and nephews in the early 1760 at the Geiger/Kiger House in Salem County. Catholicism was illegal in New Jersey at this time; however, Jesuit priests from St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Philadelphia would travel periodically to the Geiger House under pain of death to baptize and marry Catholics, including Acadians, of the area.

In June 1763 Pierre Guidry appears as a single man on the list of Acadians wishing to go to France. About 1764 Pierre Guidry married Marguerite Dupuis, daughter of Jean-Baptiste Dupuis and Anne Breau. A daughter Marie was born to the young couple in 1765. The young family traveled to Port Tobacco, Maryland in between 1765 and 1767 where they met Anne Dupuis, the sister-in-law of Pierre and the widow of Jean-Baptiste Guédry. On 17 December 1767 after boarding the Ship "Jane", Pierre, his wife and daughter, Anne Dupuis and her five children and 141 other Acadians departed Port Tobacco for New Orleans, Louisiana. They arrived in New Orleans on 11 February 1768. After a brief stay in New Orleans to recuperate, these Acadians were sent by the Spanish to San Luis de Natchez (across the Mississippi River from Natchez, Mississippi and just south of today's Vidalia, Louisiana). They protested vociferously against going this far north due to hostile Indians, disease-ridden swamps and dangerous animals. The Spanish, however, forced them to go there. Marguerite Dupuis at this time was expecting their second child – a son born shortly after their arrival. On 18 July 1768 the Commandant of San Luis de Natchez wrote to New Orleans that Pierre Guidry's wife had sores all over her body and there was nothing they could do. She died shortly afterwards along with her daughter and new-born son.

Having lost his entire family at 27 years old and now alone, Pierre Guidry took Claire Babin, daughter of Antoine Babin and Catherine Landry as his new wife. Claire also had traveled from Port Tobacco, Maryland on the Jane and had been sent by the Spanish to San Luis de Natchez. On 23 January 1769 Pierre and Claire along with two other Acadian couples from San Luis de Natchez were married at St. Francis de Pointe Coupée Catholic Church near today's New Roads, Louisiana. They had traveled approximately 165 miles by water from San Luis de Natchez and then had row back to their homes upriver. After several requests by the Acadians of San Luis de Natchez to be allowed to move downriver and live by the Acadian cousins, in December 1768 Spanish Governor O'Reilly agreed to let the Acadians move. Pierre and Claire along with their five-month-old son David Louis Guidry moved to Ascension Parish, Louisiana where they were included in the Census on 1 August 1770 on the east bank of the Mississippi River.

The young family only stayed briefly near Ascension Parish and shortly after the birth of their second son Olivier in 1772, they moved northwest to St. Landry Parish, Louisiana. Here they had four additional sons Joseph (b. 1774), Jean-Baptiste (b. 1776), Paul Hypolite (b. ca. 1779) and Augustin (b. 1780). In May 1777 Pierre, Claire and four sons were censused in the Opelousas General Census. After settling in St. Landry Parish, Pierre began to gain some wealth as the 1777 Census states that he had 10 cattle and 12 horses.

*In June 1780 tragedy again struck Pierre when his wife Claire died from complications in childbirth. At ca. 39 years of age Pierre is twice-widowed and has six young boys (ages 0 to 10 years of age) in his care. With the responsibility of caring for six young boys and having to work to provide for his young family, Pierre married Marguerite Miller, daughter of William Miller and Anne Keven, in St. Landry Parish in late 1780 or early 1781. Then in December 1781 the couple welcomed their first child Marguerite, followed by Louis in 1784, Charles in 1785 and Anastasie in 1788. By 1788 the growing family was living in the Grand Coteau area of St. Landry Parish and were becoming prosperous. In the 1788 Census of the Opelousas Post, Pierre's growing family included nine males (Pierre Guidry, his six sons by Claire and two sons by Marguerite, one woman (Marguerite Millier) and two girls (Marguerite and Anastasie). Pierre owned five slaves and had 60 cattle, 40 horses and a tract of land with 18 arpents frontage. In 1789 Victorin was born to the Pierre and Marguerite and about 1792 they had Antoine.*

*In 1791 Pierre Guidry purchased three tracts of land from Mrs. Joseph Alexandre Declouet for the price of 100 bulls. This land fronted Bayou Teche for 50 arpents and was 50 arpents deep. Pierre was the first settler at present-day Cecilia, Louisiana in St. Martin Parish. Between 1792 and 1794 Pierre moved his family to the Cecilia area where his family continued to grow: Pierre fils (b. 1794), Marie Celeste (b. 1796), Ludivine (b. 1799), a son in 1801 that died shortly after birth, Marie Arthemise (b. 1803), Joseph Rosemond (b. 1806) and Marie Catherine Phelonise (b. 1809). Marguerite Miller died in 1822 leaving Pierre thrice-widowed. Both in St. Landry Parish and St. Martin Parish Pierre Guidry had vacheries (cattle ranches). It was on these that he grew his wealth and, when he died in 1825 at the age of 83 years, he owned significant amounts of land, twenty-seven slaves, ranching and farming equipment, livestock, homes, etc. and had an estate valued at over \$110,000 (in today's dollars it would be over \$3,058,000).*

*As directed in his will, Pierre Guidry was buried at the cemetery of St. Martin de Tours Catholic Church. This cemetery was located on the grounds of the church and may have been near the parking area of today's church. Sometime during the period of 1830-1850 the cemetery was moved across Bayou Teche to the location of the present St. Michael's Cemetery. Pierre Guidry likely is still buried in his original grave in the vicinity of the church. There are no gravestones today for this original cemetery.*

**TRANSLATION OF LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT OF PIERRE GUIDRY**

*No. 543*

*Last Will & Testament*

*Of Pierre Guidry Sen<sup>r</sup>*

*Deposited in the office of the*

*Parish Judge of the Parish of*

*S<sup>t</sup> Martin, 7<sup>th</sup> November 1825*

State of Louisiana

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*Today four November one thousand eight hundred twenty Five, I Pierre Guidry inhabitant of St. Martin parish, native of the County of Acadia, legitimate son of Augustin Guidry, and of Jeanne hebert, both deceased, with my ordinary mark, and in the presence of witnesses, finding myself Sick in bed, but, in my full Judgement, Memory, and Understanding, fearing to be Surprised by death considering the uncertainty of my hour, wanting to put my temporal affairs in order for that purpose I have dictated in a loud and audible voice to Mr. Pierre Labyche resident of this parish my last wishes, as follows Namely*

*As a Catholic, apostolic, & Roman, I wish to be interred in the Catholic Cemetery of this parish, & I direct to my testamentary executor to have three masses said, for the repose of my soul, because such is my wish.*

*Item I declare to have been married in the presence of our Holy mother Church three times; firstly with the late Margueritte Dupuy, Of which marriage I have had two children who have died in infancy; Secondly with the late Claire Babin, of which marriage I have still Living Olivier Guidry, Joseph Guidry, J<sup>n</sup> B<sup>te</sup> Guidry, hipolite Guidry, Augustin Guidry, I declare besides to have another son named David Guidry, deceased, who has left several children with I declare in order that it be Established; thirdly, with the late Margueritte Miller of which marriage I have still living ten children, - named Margueritte Guidry, wife of pierre Broussard, Louis Guidry, Charles Guidry, Nastasie Guidry wife of David Rees, antoine Guidry, pierre Guidry, Celestine Guidry wife of R. Eastin, arthemise Guidry, wife of D<sup>r</sup> Thomas, Rosemond Guidry, and felonise Guidry I declare besides to have had two other children named Victorin Guidry, & Divine Guidry Wife of flecher Picou, who have left several Children, which I declare in order that it be Established.*

*Item I give and bequeath to pierre Guidry my godson, legitimate of Louis Guidry & Celesie Savoy, his father and mother, a negress named Sujette age*

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*Of about Six years, for the said pierre Guidry my godson, for him to enjoy, and dispose of as property belonging to him on the said Day of my death.*

*Item I give and bequeath to my first six children, Namely, Olivier Guidry, Joseph Guidry, J<sup>n</sup> B<sup>te</sup> Guidry, hipolite Guidry, Augustin Guidry as well as the Children of the late David Guidry; Twelve arpents of land which they already have in their possession, & by which they were obliged to Each deliver two hundred piastres in bulk in order for them to enjoy and dispose of as if belonging to them on the said Day of my death.*

*Item in consideration of kind and loyal services, without interruption, during more than twenty five years I grant freedom to my mulattress named Lalie, age Of about thirty one years, as well as to her two children named Louisa, age of about eight years and Adelle, age of about five years, for that purpose I direct to my Testamentary Executor after my death to fulfill the formalities required by law, & to grant to them The certificate of Freedom, in good form conforming to that, which regard to the two little girls Louisa, and Adelle in all which that will be compatible with the law, in this case such is my will.*

*Item I appoint, and name for my only and sole heirs, my aforesaid children, Olivier Guidry, Joseph Guidry, J<sup>n</sup> B<sup>te</sup> Guidry, hipolite Guidry, Augustin Guidry, as well as all the children of the late David Rees, Marguerite Guidry, wife of pierre Broussard, Louis Guidry, Charles Guidry, Nastasie Guidry, wife of David Rees, Antoine Guidry, pierre Guidry, Celestine Guidry, wife of R. Eastin, Artemise Guidry, wife of D<sup>r</sup> Thomas, Rosemond Guidry, felonise Guidry, & all the children of the late Victorin Guidry, & the late Divine Guidry, wife of flecher Picou, in order that after my death they inherit in equal shares of the little Estate that I possess with the Will and Blessing of God, & of my own.*

*Item I name for my testamentary executor Sieur Joseph Louis Charles Garrigues de flaujeac, land-surveyor of the parish of Oppeloussas, in order that immediately, after my death, assisted by Two Appraisers, the one named by him, and the other by my heirs, it may be done out-of-court & without any Judge I impose*

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*The inventory, and The estimation of my estate, which shall be sold in the manner which he will decide, as well as by my said heirs the more proper.*

*I revoke & annul, nullify of any Value, Ineffective any other will, or Codicil which I would have made or happened to make before this one, which alone must have its complete and entire effect.*

*This Will has been thus dictated by the testator to said Sieur pierre Labjche who then wrote such as he has been dictated, thence has made afterwards a Reading to the Testator who has said to understand it completely & is steadfast, & the testator has declared to not be able to write, nor Sign, with regard to witnesses, they have signed with me after reading of the whole.*

Ordinary mark of

X

Pierre Guidry

Witnesses

Martin Sudrique

Cyrille Thibodeau

A<sup>dre</sup> Robichaud

Daniel Zéringue Fils

Placide Thibodeaux

Victor Dupuis

Alexi Dupuis

Onezime Patin

Labjche

Nevaristen

P. Briant Judge of the Court of

Probates Parish S<sup>t</sup> Martin

Nov 4 - 1825  
N. B.

# Etat de la Louisiane

Aujourd'hui, quatre novembre mil huit cent vingt cinq, moi prêtre Guidry, habitant de la paroisse St. Martin, natif du Comté d'Arcadie, fils légitime de Augustin Guidry, & de femme morte, tous deux décédés, sous ma marque ordinaire, et en présence de témoins, me trouvant au lit malade, mais, en mon entier jugement, sain d'esprit, et pleinement, craignant Dieu, surpris par la mort, & l'incertitude de mon être, voulant avant d'aller à mes affaires temporelles, à cet effet, j'ai dicté à haute, et intelligible voix, au sous prêtre Edouard, résidant en cette paroisse, mes volontés dernières, comme suit: Sçavoir

Comme Catholique, apostolique, & Romain, je désire être enterré dans le cimetière des Catholiques de cette paroisse, & j'ordonne à mon exécuteur testamentaire de me faire dire trois messes, pour le repos de mon âme, car tel est ma volonté.

Item, je déclare avoir été marié en face de notre Sainte mère Eglise trois fois; premièrement avec une Marguerite Dupuy, du quel mariage j'ai eu deux enfants qui sont morts en bas âge; Deuxièmement avec une Claire Babin, du quel mariage, j'ai encore existants Edouard Guidry, Joseph Guidry, & St. Guidry, Hippolyte Guidry, Augustin Guidry, je déclare en outre avoir eu un autre fils, nommé David Guidry, de ce qui a fait plusieurs enfants, ce que je déclare afin qu'il soit constaté; troisièmement, avec une Marguerite Miller du quel mariage j'ai encore existant dix enfants, nommés Marguerite Guidry, Epouse de prêtre Chrysostome, Louis Guidry, Charles Guidry, Estienne Guidry Epouse de David Rees, Antoine Guidry, prêtre Guidry, Etienne Guidry Epouse de R. Foster, Arthur Guidry Epouse de D. Thomas, Rosemond Guidry, & Julien Guidry. Je déclare en outre avoir eu deux autres enfants, nommés Victorin Guidry, & Divine Guidry Epouse de Michel Piron, les quels ont baillé plusieurs enfants, ce que je déclare, afin qu'il soit constaté.

Item, je donne et lègue à prêtre Guidry mon fils, fils légitime de Louis Guidry & de Béatrice Savoy des père, & mère, une nègre, nommée Sybille âgée

N. B.  
G. B.

Notaire D'univers six ans, pour par le dit prêtre  
P.B. Guidy mon fils, en faire faire, et disposer,  
comme de chose à lui appartenant au dit jour  
de mon décès.

Item je donne, et ligue à mes six premiers enfants  
Savoir, Olivier Guidy, Joseph Guidy, J<sup>e</sup> B<sup>e</sup> Guidy,  
Hippolite Guidy, Augustin Guidy, ainsi que tous les  
enfants de feu David Guidy, Douze arpents de terre  
qu'ils ont déjà en leur possession, à dont ils étaient  
obligés de recueillir chacun, deux cent pascars à la main  
pour en faire faire et disposer comme de chose  
appartenant au dit jour de mon décès.

Item en considération des sous, & Enfants survivans  
sans interruption, pendant plus de vingt cinq ans je  
Donne la liberté à ma métresse nommée Lolo, âgée  
d'environ trente et une ans, ainsi qu'à ses deux  
Enfants nommés Louisa, âgée d'environ huit ans et  
Odelle, âgée d'environ cinq ans, à cet effet j'ordonne à  
mon Exécuteur testamentaire, après mon décès de remplir  
les formalités voulues par la loi, & de leur donner  
Lettre de Liberté, en bonne forme, en se conformant  
pour ce qui regarde les deux petites filles Louisa  
et Odelle en tout que cela sera compatible avec  
la loi, car tel est ma Volonté.

Item J'institue, et nomme pour mes uniques, et  
universels héritiers, mes susdits Enfants, Olivier Guidy,  
Joseph Guidy, J<sup>e</sup> B<sup>e</sup> Guidy, Hippolite Guidy,  
Augustin Guidy, ainsi que tous les Enfants de feu  
David Guidy, Marguerite Guidy, & sa femme de jeune  
femme, Louis Guidy, Charles Guidy, Anastasie Guidy,  
Epouse de David Rues, Antoine Guidy, jeune Guidy,  
Celestine Guidy Epouse de B. Sautin, Antonine Guidy  
Epouse de D<sup>me</sup> Thomas, Notarion Guidy, folonier  
Guidy, & tous les Enfants de feu Victoire Guidy &  
feu Divine Guidy Epouse de Hubert Liron, afin  
qu'après ma mort ils héritent par portions égales  
Du peu de bien que je possède avec la Volonté,  
et Bénédiction de Dieu, & de la mienne.

Item je nomme pour mon Exécuteur testamentaire  
le sous Joseph Louis Charles Gavigas de Flauger,  
arpenteur de pacifique aux appellons, afin qu'après  
mon décès, assisté de deux Experts, nommés l'un  
par lui, & l'autre par mes héritiers, il fasse valloir  
judiciairement, & leur qu'aucune Justice d'intervention

Notaire  
P.B.

*N. B.*  
*P. B.*

L'inventaire, et L'estimation de mes biens, qui seront  
vendus de la manière qu'il jugera, ainsi qu'à mes  
dits héritiers la plus convenable.

Je renonce & annule, rends nuls l'ancien Votum, ne  
effet tout autre testament, ou procuration que j'aurais fait,  
ou pu faire avant celui-ci, lequel seul doit avoir  
son plein, et entier effet.

Ce Testament a été ainsi dicté par le testateur  
au dit Sieur prêtre Lajolte qui l'a écrit et qui  
a été dicté, en a fait ensuite lecture au Testateur qui  
a dit le bien comprendre, & y persévérer, et le testateur  
a déclaré ne savoir écrire, ni signer, quant aux témoins,  
ils ont signé avec moi après lecture de tout

Marque ordinaire de

Cemours  
Martin Ludrique, *Lune Guinday*

*CO*  
Cyille Thibodeau

A. Robichaud

Daniel Geringue Fils

Placide Thibodeau

Victor Dupuis

Alexis Dupuis

Omerine Patin

*Lajolte*

*N. B.*

*P. B.* *Witness of the Court of*  
*Roberts Parish St. Mary's*



***ÎLE CARENCRO – 1790's Home of Louis David Guidry, son of Pierre Guidry & Claire Babin  
(On Bayou Carencro at south end of T-Joe Road in St. Landry Parish, Louisiana)***

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## BOOK NOOK

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### **Becoming a Lifelong Golfer: Your Guide to Hitting Bombs, and Playing Without Pain Forever**

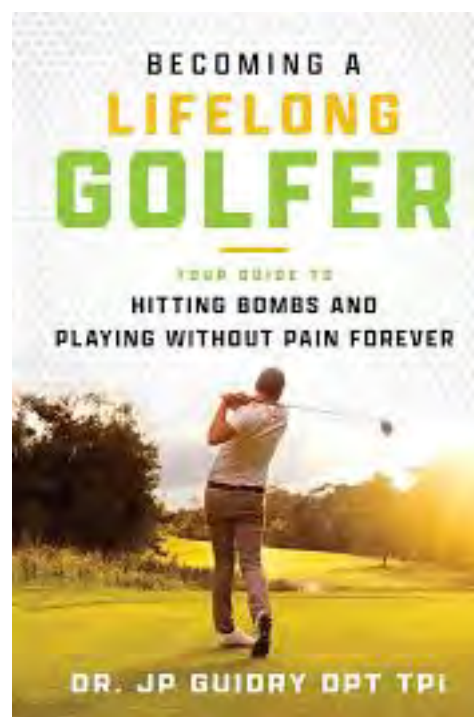
*by Dr. JP Guidry*

Golf requires an enormous amount of physical ability and, as in any sport, there's a risk of injury and pain that can limit your ability to enjoy the game. The repetitive movements present in golf can put extra pressure on the body. But whether you're looking to increase distance, facing an injury of your own, or simply dealing with the aches and losses that come along with an aging body, you deserve to enjoy this great game and play without pain. That's why Dr. Guidry wrote this book.

With *Becoming a Lifelong Golfer*, physical therapist Dr. JP Guidry explains the ins and outs of golf fitness training, so you can hit more bombs, manage your pain, and play forever. He'll cover techniques he uses with clients every day in his in-person training facility as well as with his remote clients all over the world, from warm-up to strength training to nutrition. He discusses the unique issues that young and aging golfers deal with and even provides strategies that will help you improve your golf game regardless of your age or level.

Golf is an amazing sport that everyone should be able to enjoy. By utilizing the methods within this book and following Dr. Guidry's guidance, you can not only continue playing the game you love but also become a more healthy, capable human being.

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### **Becoming a Thunderbird Pilot: A Narrative History**

*by Jeffrey D Guidry*

For the lucky few the journey has just begun! We explore the application process, the semi-finalists scrutiny, the brutal finalist interviews and getting "The Call." Included is the critical process of Team assimilation, winter training, and carrying out the Thunderbirds mission to "Recruit, Retain and Inspire."

Dozens of interviews of current and former Thunderbird Commanders/Leaders and Demonstration Pilots share their introspective look back on what it took to become one of America's Ambassadors in Blue! Hundreds of beautiful B & W and color photographs.

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## BON APPETIT

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### FRICASSE DE VOLAILLE (CHICKEN STEW)

*From Beverly Butaud Guidry  
Abbeville, LA*



1 (5 or 6 lb) hen

Roux:

1/2 cup oil

6 tablespoons flour

1 large onion, chopped

1/2 bell pepper, diced

1/2 bunch green onions, chopped

1/2 teaspoon black pepper

1/2 teaspoon red pepper

Salt to taste

2 quarts water

Wash and cut up chicken. Heat oil in roasting pot. Add flour to oil and stir constantly until roux is medium brown. Add onions and bell pepper. Sauté until wilted. Add chicken, stir well. Add 2 quarts water. Cook for 1 hour, then add onion tops, salt, black and red pepper. Cook until gravy is thick and chicken is tender. Stir occasionally to keep sauce from sticking to bottom.

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### 5 CUP SALAD

*from Maudry Guidry Viator  
Abbeville, LA*

1 cup mandarin oranges  
1 cup crushed pineapple  
1 cup small marshmallows  
1 cup coconut (angel flake)  
1 cup sour cream

Drain fruits and combine all ingredients together. Mix well and chill overnight, covered.

Stir and serve the next day.



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It's time to bring in some new flavor to our Bon Appetit page. If you have a favorite family recipe that you'd like to share, we would love to feature it in one of our future issues. Submit your recipe to Marty Guidry at [guidrymartin@gmail.com](mailto:guidrymartin@gmail.com)

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## IN THE NEWS-HISTORICAL NEWS TIDBITS

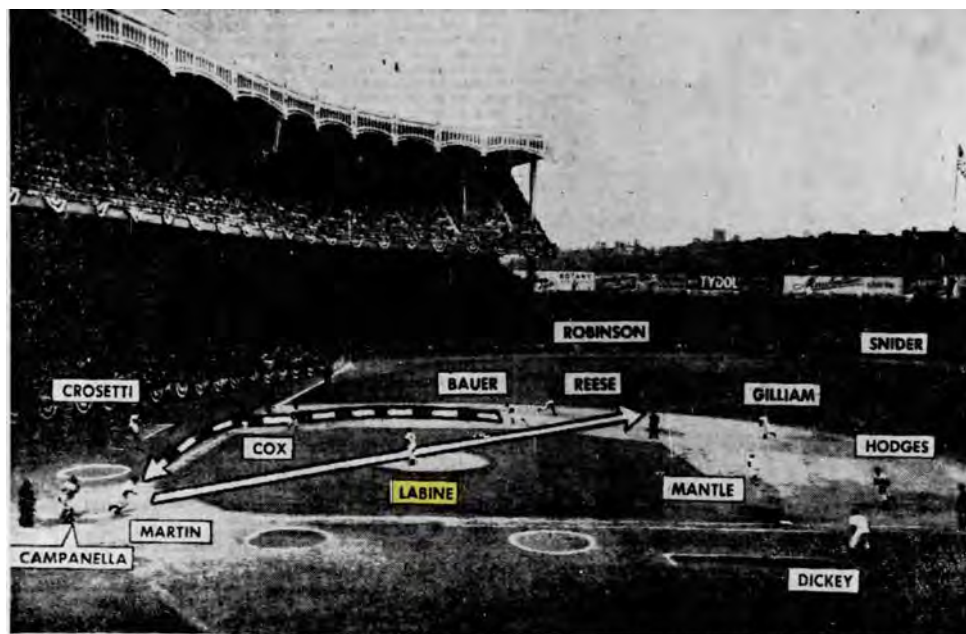


Roger Jr. and Theresa Duplessis Guedry, just beginning their 50-year journey on the occasion of their wedding day. (Photo courtesy Theresa Guedry)

*L'Observateur*  
Reserve, LA 27 October 1999

News reached town Tuesday of the destruction by fire of the home of Miss C. Guedry north-west of Orsino. As there were no fires loose in the woods at the time, it will in all probabilities remain a mystery how the fire started. Everything was destroyed, including a Ford car and a tractor. Miss Guedry had proved up on her homestead and had gone to St. Louis for a vacation. The news will be quite a shock to her but we hope that it will not discourage her to such an extent that she will not come back. The Guedry's of Orsino are the sort of people that a town cannot afford to lose.

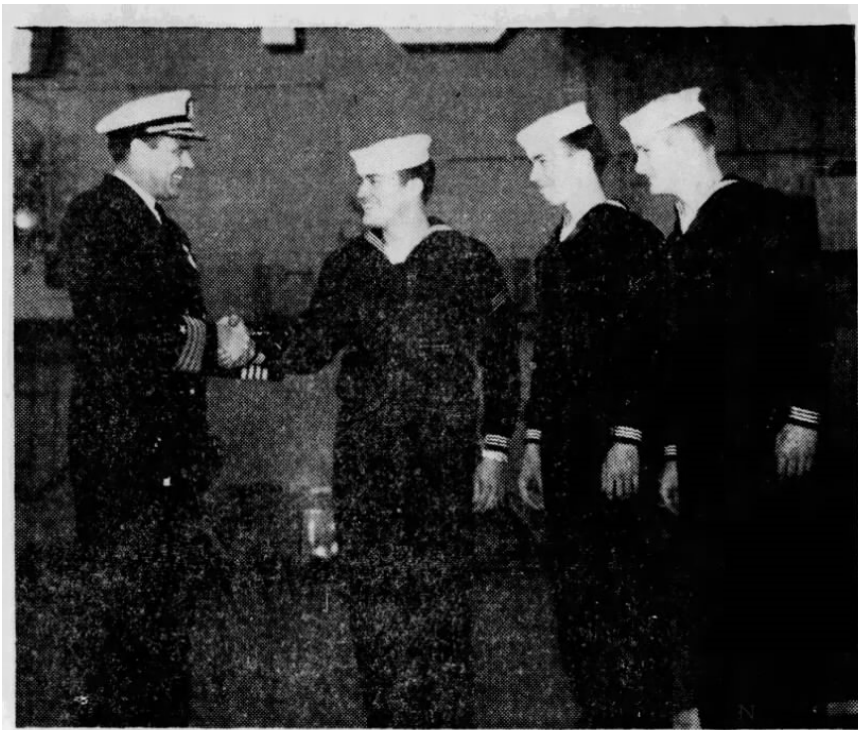
*Above: The Evening Tribune, Cocoa, FL 26 Aug 1920*  
*Below: Vallejo Times-Herald*  
*Vallejo, CA 6 Oct 1953*



**That Man Again** Diagram shows how Yankee Second Baseman Billy Martin, hitting star of the World Series, smashed a single into center-field to score Hank Bauer from second with the winning run

In the final game yesterday. The hit, a hot shot through the box, enabled little Billy to equal the series record of 12 hits by an individual player. — AP Wirephoto

## IN THE NEWS-HISTORICAL NEWS TIDBITS



**FOR SEA RESCUE** — Captain Robert M. Elder, skipper of the USS Coral Sea, commends Jack Pennington, fireman, and his friends (l to r) Herman Faulkner, fireman

apprentice; and Lynn Guidry, fireman, for saving the life of a drowning man. The heroic act occurred when a USS Oriskany sailor fell from the flight deck of his ship.

### AN EXAMPLE

Typical of the new order of young Navy men is Val Guidry, storekeeper, second class, of the U. S. S. Argonne.

With less than four years in the Navy, young Guidry is the proud possessor of a college degree.

While serving on board the Argonne, he registered at the University of Southern California and attended evening classes and now he is a graduate of U. S. C., and a Bachelor of Science and Education.

The Navy is often referred to as the greatest school in the world, and while all men do not have the opportunity to complete their educations in the manner in which Guidry did, the Navy furnishes free extension courses and a large percentage of men take advantage of this opportunity to further their education.

These courses are in addition to the various service schools maintained by the Navy on both coasts.

*Above left: Alameda Times Star  
Alameda, CA, 17 January 1963*

*Above right: The Marcellus News  
Marcellus, MI, 17 August 1938*

*The Crowley Post Signal  
Crowley, LA, 07 August 1947*

### Accidental Shot Kills German Cop; GI Held

BERLIN, Aug. 7—(AP)—The U. S. Provost Marshal's office announced today that Pfc. David E. Guidry, 18, of Crowley, La., had been confined to his company stockade pending completion of an investigation into the accidental killing of a German policeman.

The announcement said the policeman had been shot through the chest while Guidry was examining his gun.

Guidry was on guard duty at the U. S. Document Center at the Tempelhof Airdrome when the shooting occurred, the Provost Marshal's office said.

*The Times-Transcript  
Moncton, NB, CA, 04 December 1981*



**THE TOP TWO** — Shedia's Steve Petitpas (second from right) stands beside Otto Wanz of Austria after the two battled for the 1980 World Professional Wrestling title in Bremen, Germany. Petitpas lost to Wanz in the 13th round. Left to right

are, Nico Selenkowisch, promoter of the championships. Wanz, Petitpas and Fred Majors of Montreal, Petitpas' manager.

## Les Guédry et Petitpas d'Asteur

### What's in a name?

**Guédry** is the family to which you belong if your name is spelled Guédry, Guedry, Guidry, Gaidry, Guildry, Geddry, Jeddry, Labine, LaBine, LaBean or any of several dozen variations. The original name of our family is believed to have been Guédry. We are all descendants of Claude Guédry & Marguerite Petitpas.

Here are some common and uncommon variant spellings of the name.

Guédry	Guiddry	Geddrie	Jeddrie	Labeen
Guedry	Guiddery	Geddry	Jeddry	Labene
Guedrie	Guiedri	Gedree	Jederie	Labine
Guedris	Guiedry	Gedrie	Jedrey	LaBine
Guidry	Guildry	Gedry	Jedrie	LaBean
Gudiry	Guildrie	Gettry	Jedry	LaBeau
Guidery	Guitry	Gidrie		Labeau
Guidrey	Gaidry	Gidry	Lledre	
Guidrie	Gaidrie	Grivois	Yedri	

Our **Petitpas** cousins likewise have several variations of their name including Petitpas, Pettipas, Petipas, Petitpa, Petit Pas and Pitts.

## DUES REMINDER

Attached at the back of this issue is a membership application for renewing your membership in **Les Guédry et Petitpas d'Asteur**. Our dues are very reasonable at \$6.00 for individuals and \$10.00 for a family in 2025.

Please take a moment, complete the Membership Application, enclose a check and send it to the address on the application. It will help all of us do so much for the family. And, if you would like to join at one of the Benefactor Levels, it would allow us do even more.



Les Guédry et Petitpas d'Asteur is now on Facebook. Join us there and connect with other family members from all over the U.S., Canada and beyond. Feel free to post queries, photos, links, events or other items of interest to the family. Just search for 'Les Guédry d'Asteur' on Facebook to find our page.

## *Les Guédry et Petitpas d'Asteur*

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The Guédry-Petitpas Family Newsletter '**GENERATIONS**' serves as a focal point for family members to share and learn about us.

"**GENERATIONS**" newsletter is now in its 23rd year. We hope to provide our readers with an interesting, informative and entertaining newsletter. Your input is always welcome and we look forward to another year of sharing family history and news with you.

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***Les Guidry d'Asteur***  
***Membership Application***  
***(Formulaire d'adhésion)***

Name (Nom) \_\_\_\_\_  
Last (Nom de famille) First (Prénom) Middle (Deuxième prénom)

Spouse (Épouse) \_\_\_\_\_  
Maiden (Nom de jeune fille) First (Prénom) Middle (Deuxième prénom)

Children (Enfants) \_\_\_\_\_

Address (Adresse) \_\_\_\_\_  
Street (Rue) \_\_\_\_\_  
City (Ville) State (État/Province) Zip Code (Code postal) (Pays)

Telephone (Téléphone) \_\_\_\_\_

Fax (Numéro de télécopieur) \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address (Courriel) \_\_\_\_\_

Hobbies or Special Talent \_\_\_\_\_  
(Passe-temps ou talent particulier)

Type of Membership (Type de cotisation):

\_\_\_\_\_ Individual (Individuelle) \$ 6.00 U.S. Dollars (Dollars américains)

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Benefactor Levels (Niveaux de bienfaiteur):

\_\_\_\_\_ dit Jovial Level \$50.00 U.S. Dollars (Dollars américains)

\_\_\_\_\_ dit Labine Level \$100.00 U. S. Dollars (Dollars américains)

\_\_\_\_\_ dit Grivois Level \$500.00 U. S. Dollars (Dollars américains)

Please return form and payment to: (Retournez le formulaire et le paiement à:) Make check payable to: *Les Guidry d'Asteur, Inc.*  
(Libellez le chèque à: *Les Guidry d'Asteur, Inc.*)

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