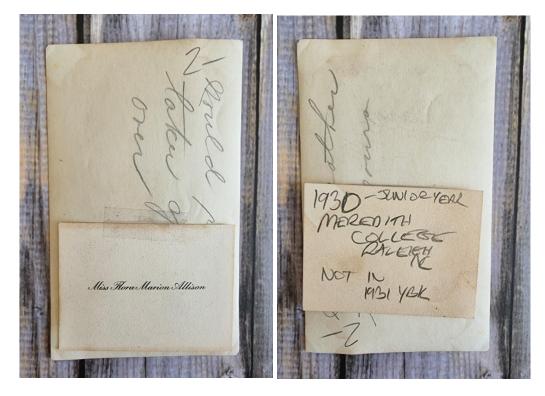
Flora Marion Allison Picklesimer / Pickelsimer

UPDATED! This photo has been reunited with the family.



Miss Flora Marion Allison, 1930 Junior year, Meredith College, Raleigh, NC (not in 1931 YBK)



Flora Marion Allison was not hard to find in the records. She has been well researched and I found her on several public trees on different genealogy platforms (<u>Ancestry</u> public tree, <u>MyHeritage</u> public tree, <u>FamilySearch</u> public tree). Which makes me hopeful that perhaps I will be able to return the photo to a genealogy-appreciating relative of hers. Keep your fingers crossed that I'll succeed! Flora Marion Allison was <u>born</u> on September 9, 1908, in Transylvania, North Carolina to parents Madison Hugh Lee "Bud" Allison and Florida Lenora née Shipman.

Flora was the second youngest of the Allison siblings. In addition to Flora, there were Ernest Carl (1892-1972), Ethel Irene (1893-1972), Ellen Adelia (1897-1981), Madison Hugh Lee (1901-1996), Bessie Adeline (1903-1932) and Dorothy Lenora (1918-2000).

In 1930 Flora was indeed studying as a junior at the Meredith College.



FLORA MARION ALLISON BREVARD, N. C Philaretian

Link: 1930 Meredith College Yearbook

I have also found a <u>yearbook</u> photo of her from the year before when she was studying at Mars Hill College. The photo in my possession seems to have been from the same photo shoot.



In the 1929 yearbook Flora was described as a joyful, faithful, reliable and diligent person, always looking out for others and always having noble aspirations. Isn't that beautiful when people describe you with such positive adjectives!

FLORA MARION ALLISON (Clio) BREVARD, N. C.

Officer S. S. '28; Member Chorus '28, '29; Officer B. Y. P. U. '29; Member Spanish Club '29; Officer W. A. '29. Y. W. A.

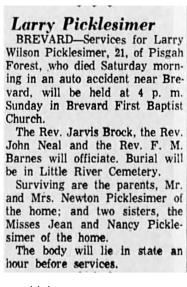
For everyone Flora has the same tender smile and friendly word. To her associates she contributes her part of life's joys. She is faithful to all things worth while, can be depended upon beyond dispute, and always works diligently that she may attain her noble ideals. In Christian work no one is more sincere, and with the greatest joy she uses every opportunity to promote the welfare of others. Her ideals are the noblest; her aspirations the highest; her perseverance beyond measure. Where ever she makes her abode, she will make for herself a place in the hearts of those with whom she comes in contact. When Flora leaves Mars Hill she will leave a host of friends who will watch her progress as the years go by with no small degree of interest. as the years go by with no small degree of interest.

Flora married Newton Wilson Picklesimer (1901-1985) on August 12, 1937. A photo has been published of Newton on findagrave.com.



FindAGrave.com

The couple had 3 children: son Larry and daughters Jean Allison later Young and Nancy Allison later Elkins. The Christmas of 1961 was a sad one in Flora's life. She lost her 21-year-old son Larry (1940-1961) in a fatal car accident just days before Christmas.



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Flora lived a long life, she <u>passed away</u> on September 1, 2004, at 95 years of age! During her long life she raised a family, buried a child, buried her husband, worked as a teacher, actively engaged in church and her community, She was buried at the Little River Baptist Church Cemetery in Penrose, Transylvania, NC. The <u>obituary</u> also names all her grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Perhaps I'll be able to make contact with any of them and return this photo.

FLORA PICKELSIMER

PENROSE — Flora Marion Allison Pickelsimer, 95, died at her home in the Little River community of Penrose on Wednesday, Sept. 1, 2004.

The daughter of the late H.L. and Florida Shipman Allison, she was a lifelong resident of Transylvania County and was active in church and community. After retirement from teaching in the public schools, she spent many winters in Umatilla, Fla.

She was married to Newton Wilson Pickelsimer, who died in 1985. Their son, Larry Wilson Pickelsimer, died in 1961. Also preceding her in death were her brothers, Carl and Pat Allison, and sisters, Irene and Bessie Moore, Ellen Orr and Dorothy Batson.

She is survived by her daughters, Jean Young of Pisgah Forest and Nancy Elkins and her husband, Hank, of Chapel Hill; granddaughter, Tabitha Young of Asheville; grandsons, Kyle Young of Pisgah Forest, Brent Elkins and wife, Carrie, of Cambridge, Mass., and Zachary Elkins and wife, Jules, of Champaign, Ill.; great-grandsons, Andy and Jake Elkins of Cambridge, Mass.; seven Allison nieces and nephews; seven Pickelsimer nieces and nephews; and additional nieces and nephews to the fifth generation.

A memorial service will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday at First United Methodist Church, Brevard, with Patrick Kabanda in concert. Officiating ministers will be Lee Eakes, Tommy Owen and Bill Phister.

Moody-Connolly Funeral Home of Brevard is in charge of the arrangements.

Memorial contributions may be made to American Leprosy Missions, 1 ALM Way, Greenville, SC 29601 or another Christian ministry or charity of your choice.

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I have added Flora's photo to FindaGrave and FamilySearch.

Photos Without Families, originally shared on www.photoswithoutfamilies.blog