

HODIE LANIER MCGRAW

Interview dates: Feb. 13 and March 20, 2001.



Hodie Lanier McGraw and her husband.

The Lanier Family

Hodie McGraw was born March 6, 1922. She had one sister, Etta Kate Lanier Maynor. Her Mother was Etta P. Lacy Lanier and her father was Jeremiah Lanier who was the son of Austin Lanier. His brothers were Willie, Frank, Edward, and Austin, Jr.

Hodie was five years old when her mother, Etta Lacy, died. When her mother passed away, her father, Jeremiah Lanier, worked in Huntsville, for the Alabama Grocery Company on Jefferson Street. Hodie went to live with her mother's parents, Wyatt and Kate Lacy, and her father lived with his sister and her husband on Brown Street so he would be closer to where he worked. He remarried when Hodie was nine years old, and she went to live with him. She has a younger brother, born after her father remarried. His name is Odysseus Lanier. Hodie's father and Felix Lanier's father were brothers. (See Felix Lanier interview.)