

GATHERING OATES -RARE LTD GENEALOGY bk SIGNED

Gathering Oates: Descendents of John Oates and Frances Reid by Christine McNutt Oates.

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"This is a valuable resource for those doing research on the Oates and related family lines. "Gathering Oates" is the combined work of several individuals who planned to publish their findings. After we shared our data, they suggested I publish the book since I had more complete records. Some of these relatives have since passed away and their years of valuable research would be lost except for this one-of-a-kind collection."

"In spite of burned courthouses, destroyed records and untold obstacles, I was able to trace our families back to John Oates, 1697-1776 and his wife, Frances Reid 1700-1776. From Ireland, to Pennsylvania, Virginia, North and South Carolina, Tennessee, Arkansas, Texas, Florida, Massachusetts, Alaska and almost every other state, I have "gathered Oates".

This remarkable family line helped defend our freedom by becoming involved in every major conflict that threatened our country.

Save yourself untold years of research by taking advantage of this limited edition. "Gathering Oates" contains over 3,200 names, fully indexed with 225 photographs and many historical and human interest stories. You will enjoy this book long after you forget the purchase price.

Here are some highlights of "Gathering Oates."

- The ancestor stolen by Gypsies on account of her sweet voice. After their midday meal, she sang her captors to sleep and slipped away to freedom.
- Another was able to escape after his NC cabin was raided and burned by Indians. He later operated a successful wool factory, then a lumber and grain mill driven by water power.
- One operated a U.S. Post Office called "Fancy" in back of his home. He would dump the mail on the floor and sort it for the patrons.
- Copies of Wills and Deeds which afford valuable family information.
- Many U.S. Census records listing family members, their ages and property owned.
- Stories of hardships and fortitude involving ancestors who migrated to other parts of the country in search of a better way of life. Also human interest stories of many ancestors, detailing their lives, loves and tragedies.
- A pastor who rode horseback through mountainous country to his churches for 42 years.

- Copies of personal letters written to relatives "back home" depicting their way of life.
- Saga of a relative who volunteered for the Confederate Army, was captured, received a prisoner's parole and returned home on the same mare he left on.
- The brave 14 year old boy who carried "The Express Mail" (mule back) by night for ten miles during the Civil War.
- A touching Tribute to a Civil War comrade.
- The successful farmer who owned over 2,000 acres of land, giving each of his eight sons a farm and house as a wedding gift. Neighbors called him "Mr. Mon Oates".
- The lady who taught in an Indian mission that later evolved into the Oklahoma Presbyterian College.
- The man who struggled during the depression, and later became a successful entrepreneur and mayor of his town.
- The U.S. Naval veteran who earned a law and several other degrees and became a successful business man. He received the Little Rock Man of the Year Award, the University of Arkansas's Distinguished Alumnus Award and many other positions.
- One ancestor was featured in the Mexican Chamber of Commerce Magazine for his work with the Bank of Mexico City in tree restoration. He was appointed Chief Arborist for the city of Richmond, VA. He designed the entrance to the 1776 Hampden-Sidney College, which was named "The Oates Memorial Grove."
- A Doctor of Surgery on the staff of the Hospital Governing Board of Butterworth Hospital, Vanderbilt Medical School.
- The cousin who was Professor Emeritus of Journalism, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY and several other positions in Columbia, SC, Birmingham and Ft. Smith, AR.
- The seven year old violinist who played with the New England Conservatory.

Partial list of other names included in the book: Adams, Alexander, Anthony, Atwood, Bafford, Baker, Beatty, Bell, Bigham, Boggess, Bowden, Bradley, Brock, Brown, Burkett, Campbell, Carson, Carter, Case, Chandler, Clark, Cousar, Crawford, Dickey, Dixon, Drennan, Epps, Espey, Falls, Ferguson, Glenn, Green, Grisham, Hanna, Harper, Henderson, Henry, Hill, Hines, Hood, Huey, Jackson, James, Johnson, Jones, King, Long, Martin, Matthews, McClure, McGill, McNutt, Miller, Moore, Neel, Nunn, Parker, Pearson, Plonk, Reed, Roberts, Robinson, Rogers, Russell, Sheck, Sinclair, Smith, Strong, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Tucker, Walker, Ware, White, Whitesides, Williams, Williamson, Willis, Woodfin, Woods.