

THE MAZE

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Explore the history of Middlebrooks family in the Dothan, Alabama, area. A Dr. Elijah Edmund (E.E.) Middlebrook, 1823-1906, lived there. From *History of Dothan* (part III), "The first automobile appeared in Dothan in 1893, owned by Dr. Middlebrook, who lived on South Foster Street. He is buried in the Dothan City Cemetery." Come and enjoy our Middlebrooks family information. Dothan, Alabama, seems to offer many places to visit.

The 2013 Meeting/Reunion for the Middlebrooks Family Association, Inc. (MFA) is to be held in Dothan, Alabama, October 10-12, at the Holiday Inn Express Hotel. Please call 1-334-699-6868. Mention that you are attending the Middlebrooks Family Association Reunion to get the special group rate of \$92.00 (plus tax) per night.

This special rate is good only through September 25, 2013.

Highlights of the Middlebrooks Family Association Meeting

Dothan, Alabama, October 10-12, 2013

Wednesday evening – Early Registration in Hotel Lobby area

Thursday, - Research Time

- 9:00 AM - Registration/Meet & Greet
- Opening – Welcome - Joyce
- Treasurer's Report, Newsletter Report
- Introduction of MKS to Alabama migration - Kerry
- History of Dr. Elijah Edmund MKS - Kerry/EE MKS family member
- Guest speaker-TBA
- Lunch – TBA
- EE MKS family member. continued
- MFA meeting in recess – open Saturday morning
- Social - Dinner, TBA
- Meeting of the MFA Board of Directors at the hotel

Friday - Field Trip to Landmark Park (no meeting room)

- Landmark Park Tour-not confirmed yet
- Lunch - TBA
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- Cemeteries - ??
- Churches of our ancestors
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- Social - Dinner, TBA
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Saturday - Reunion Day

- 9:00 AM - Registration/Meet & Greet
- 10:00 AM - England research-Neal/Leonard
- Open Fellowship
- Sharing of photos and information
- Business Meeting: election of officers, 2015 Year's Meeting Place,
Project reports: Cemetery, DNA, Military, Repository, DAR, Family *Register* Update
- Lunch: TBA (to be in meeting room)
- Group pictures

MFA - close-out

Social-Dinner, TBA

This is the latest information I have, when I/we receive more information, it will be emailed to you.

THINGS TO DO IN AND AROUND DOTHAN:**SEE [HTTP://DOTHANALCVB.COM/](http://dothanalcvb.com/)****Dothan Opera House – NRHP334-615-3170**

Built in 1915, the building represents the elegance of turn-of-the-century southern life. Theatrical productions, ballets, and symphony performances are still held in this landmark. Tours are available upon request - free admission..

Dr. George Washington Carver Monument 334-793-4323

National Peanut Festival Fairgrounds

The 6-foot monument salutes Dr. Carver, who invented more than 300 uses for the peanut.

G.W. Carver Museum 334-712-0933 or 334-794-3633

The museum is a tribute to Dr. Carver as a catalyst for southern agronomic prosperity and as a symbol of the creative link between science and art. Exhibits reflect the historical scope of contributions and achievements of African and African-descended cultures, as demonstrated by Dr. Carver. Open Tuesday – Friday: 10 till 5 pm, Saturdays: 1 till 5 pm. Guided tours available upon request. Closed Holidays. Donations accepted.

Joseph Monument

A 10-foot tall, cast bronze sculpture, located in the historic downtown area, is the centerpiece of Millennium Park. It depicts the Bible verse “For I heard them say, ‘Let us go to Dothan,’ Genesis 37:17, which inspired the city founders in 1885 to change the name of the town from Poplar Head to Dothan.

Landmark Park & Alabama Agricultural Museum 334-794-3452

Visit an early 1900s farmstead complete with farmhouse, outbuildings, and farm animals; stroll the boardwalk and nature trail; see a planetarium show (Saturdays: 11 am, 1 & 3 pm; Sundays: 1 & 3 pm); have a picnic; tour the Alabama Agricultural Museum; or catch one of the park’s many special events. Monday – Saturday, 9 am – 5 pm; Sunday, Noon – 6 pm. Admission charged.

Maria’s Vineyard 334-702-0679

Stroll through the gardens toward the vines where you can pick your own grapes every day from August – October. Tour the vineyard house, decorated with an air of old Tuscany. Gift shop offers muscadine juice and preserves. House is open 8 – 4:30, Monday through Friday. Call for weekend appointments. Free admission.

Murals of the Wiregrass 334-794-3871

Wiregrass Museum of Art

Ongoing project of murals depicting the area’s history, painted by nationally and internationally acclaimed muralists on the walls of buildings in the downtown historic district. Guided tours available upon request. Free admission.

Peanut Monument 334-794-6622

Giant gold peanut sculpture at the Visitors Information Center helps to proclaim Dothan as the “Peanut Capital of the World” Open daily.

Wiregrass Museum of Art – NRHP334-794-3871

Six galleries feature changing exhibitions of visual and decorative arts in a historic building. Also features a Youth Art Gallery with a hands-on exhibit for children and a gift gallery for shopping. Tuesday – Saturday: 10 till 5. Closed on Sundays, Mondays, and holidays

World’s Smallest City Block

Recorded in the *Guinness Book of World Records*, this land triangle features a stop sign, yield sign, and street signs. Drive by.

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MFA Web Site: <http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.com/~midregerrata>

Middlebrooks Family Association, Inc. (MFA) was founded in 2001 for the purpose of assembling and preserving genealogical and historical material for future generations. MFA has two publications, as below.

THE MAZE, issued each February, May, August, and November, is sent to everyone on the MFA mailing list. It is free to both paid and non-paid members. If you want to be removed from this list, please contact Joyce Arnold, at joycenjim@sbcglobal.net.

MFA Quarterly Newsletter is published four times a year (December, March, June, and September) by the Middlebrooks Family Association, Inc., 274 Wilder Drive, Forsyth, GA 31029. Subscription to the Quarterly is included in membership dues. Articles for inclusion in the Quarterly, or suggestions for topics, may be sent to Jarrelyn Lang, Editor, at MFAeditor@gmail.com.

All submissions are subject to editing.

MFA Membership is \$20.00 per year, September 01 thru August 31.

If you would like to become a member, please make check payable to MFA and mail to: MFA, % Joyce Arnold, 2904 Trinity Dr., Pearland, TX 77584.