# C.G. & T.H. Thurmond Letters & Papers



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# Personal letters to Rebecca Thurmond predominately from her husband, Catlett G. Thurmond, who owns a store in Mt. Lebanon, La.

Box 1	Folder 1	Description Fr: C.G. Thurmond, Mt Lebanon, L To: Miss Rebecca Re: wedding plans	Date a. July 29, 1857
1	2	Fr: Catlett, Store To: Rebecca Re: 'busy'	October 12, 1857
1	3	Fr: Catlett, Store To: wife Re: 'dinner was sumptuous'	April 24, 1858
1	4	Fr: Catlett, Mt. Lebanon, La. To: Rebecca Re: 'Drs. Courtney and J.E. Egan g College – Steve Cawthon and the ol to school, had a difficulty in school cut Jackson very badly with a knife.	dest Jackson going and rumor is Steve
1	5	Fr: Catlett, Store To: wife Re: love note	May 5, 1858
1	6	Fr: Catlett, Mt. Lebanon, La. To: wife Re: 'have fever and chill'	May 10, 1858

1 7 Fr: Catlett, Mt. Lebanon, La. June 2, 1858 To: wife Re: a family member's wedding 1 8 Fr: Catlett, Store June 12, 1858 To: 'Little Wife' Re: 'sent order down by little negro, Pitts' [does a play on words with 'little' and 'short'] Fr: Catlett, Corner Store 1 9 To: wife Re: 'dinner received' 10 Fr: C.G. Thurmond, Mt. Lebanon, La. June 23, 1858 1 To: wife Re: describes Baptism in the river 11 Fr: C.G. Thurmond, Corner Store June 25, 1858 1 To: 'little wife' Re: 'Exercises at the University [Mt. Lebanon University] have come to a close for this year. Milton Ford delivered his piece...Tom Tompkins..Miss Anna Ardis inquired about you...Dr. Hartwell baptized Amanda Key, Miss Price, Miss Cabanis..convention delegates. .Mrs. Scott leaves for Mississippi..your sister

Ann Raburn in good health. [good newsy letter]

1	12	Fr: Catlett, Mt. Lebanon, La. To: wife [in Marshall]	June 27, 1858
		Re: 'prospects for the university very fla [personal newsy letter]	attering
1	13	Fr: Catlett, Mt. Lebanon, La. To: wife Re: 'send Irish potatoes for dinner'	April 23, 1859
1	14	Fr: C.G. Thurmond, Mt. Lebanon, La. To: wife Re: 'Can't come down to dinner'	May 11, 1859
1	15	Fr: C.G. Thurmond, Mt. Lebanon, La. To: wife Re: 'hired Sam Theus'	May 13, 1859
1	16	Fr: J.H. Tucker, Keachi, La. To: sis [Mrs. C.G. Thurmond] Re: 'our school is prospering' [Keachi H College]; family news	June 3, 1859 Female
1	17	Fr: C.G. Thurmond, Trenton, La. To: wife Re: arrival in Trenton; describes lodging George Worthington	June 6, 1859 g'
1	18	Fr: C.G. Thurmond, Columbia, Caldwell To: wife Re: arrived	ll Parish June 8, 1859

1	19	Fr: C. G. Thurmond, Baton Rouge, La. To: wife Re: 'saw more drinking and gambling on Boat coming down than I have ever seen' Roomed with George Worthington; Spent night with Thomas S. Garrette at G.	•
1	20	[damaged letter] Fr: C.G. Thurmond, Plaquemine, Iberville To: wife Re: took Steamer Lucy Holcombe to this Estate business	June 10, 1859
1	21	Fr: C.G. Thurmond, Mt. Lebanon Store To: wife Re: wife looking for a box	July 1, 1859
1	22	Fr: C.G. Thurmond, Store To: wife Re: 'Ellen arrived safely with the hat'	July 13, 1859
1	23	Fr: C.G. T. Store To: 'Bonnie Blue Eyes' Re: sent figs	July 16, 1859
1	24	Fr: C.G. Thurmond, Trenton To: wife Re: dust and heat	July 25, 1859
1	25	Fr: C.G. Thurmond, Memphis, Tenn. To: wife Re: Bought RR ticket to N.Y. will take 66 Mr. Woodham and Mr. Porter merchants from Mansfield; Sam Quartz is clerk of Mr. Porter	July 30, 1859 6 hours

1	26	Fr: J.H. Tucker, Shreveport, La To: 'sister' [Mrs. C.G. Thurmond] Re: sister Ann received a letter from Father; Ma cannot come until navigation better on Red River; Mary will stay with you; Board of Trustees calls me to Keac immediately	h
1	27	Fr: C.G. Thurmond, New York To: wife Re: nine day trip; Howard Hotel crowded with drummers	August 2, 1859
1	28	Fr: C.G. Thurmond, New York To: wife Re: men anxious to sell their goods	August 4, 1859
1	29	Fr: C.G. Thurmond, New York To: wife and baby Re: been two weeks in N.Y.; Many merchants from South here	August 7, 1859
1	30	Fr: C.G. Thurmond, Mt. Lebanon, La. (store letterhead) To: wife Re: four ladies here: Miss Adda Reef, Miss Ann W, Miss Sholars, Miss Kin Miss Molly Gany; Col. Cawthon & the spent the night; Col. has a new wig	*

1	31	Fr: C.G. Thurmond, Steamboat National April 18, 1860 Red River, above Alexandria To: wife Re: Anderson Hollingsworth on board; describes trip on steamer
1	32	Fr: C.G. Thurmond, Mt. Lebanon, La (store letterhead) To: wife May 22, 1860 Re: Dr. Stephens left for New Orleans
1	33	Fr: C.G. Thurmond, (store letterhead) To: wife Re: sent pants  June 1, 1860
1	34	Fr: C.G. Thurmond To: wife Re: send hammock  June 12, 1860
1	35	Fr: C.G. Thurmond (store letterhead) To: wife Re: Mr. Precott's School increasing
1	36	Fr: C.G. Thurmond (store letterhead) August 2, 1860 To: wife Re: Tom Pitman
1	37	Fr: C.G. Thurmond, Trenton January 13, 1861 To: wife Re: describes trip; Julia & Angie; missed Steamboat 'Paul Jones'; William Prother

1	38	Fr: C.G. Thurmond on J.F. Pargoud Steamer on Quachita River (steamer letterhead) Jan. 1 To: wife Re: on way to New Orleans; boat delayed	7, 1861
1	39	Fr: C.G. Thurmond, Trenton (steamer letterhead) To: wife April Re: Mr. Murphy inquired after Julia	) 9, 1861
1	40	Fr: C.G. Thurmond, Mt. Lebanon June 17, To: wife Re: School boys 'plotting against Satanic Majesty' (Union)	1861
1	41	Fr: C.G Thurmond, Monroe, La Sept. 23, To: wife Re: Arranging for transport of goods; had introduction to Chief Surgeon at Richmond; forgot wife's daguerreotype	1861
1	42	Fr: C.G. Thurmond, Richmond, Va. Sept. 28, To: wife ( <i>good descriptive letter</i> ) Re: went to Depart. Of War, P. O. and other Offices of government; Mr. Benjamin treated me kindly; passport and transportation; Sam Quarles sick; visited the Louisiana hospital	1861
1	43	Fr: C.G. Thurmond, Peterburg, Va. Oct. 3, 18 To: wife [good description of camp and travels] Re: trip to Pelican Camp	361

Fr: C.G. Thurmond, Richmond, Va. 1 44 Oct. 4, 1861 To: wife Re: takes money to Tom Rider of La. 2<sup>nd</sup> Regiment; arrival of goods for soldiers; bridge broken down between Chattanooga and here; may go to Manassas; John Potts died of typhoid fever; health of regiment 1 45 Fr: Capt. Key, Camp Bienville No 1 Fairfax County, Va. Oct. 20, 1861 To: Mrs. Rebecca Re: "The newspapers are getting to be mighty smart; good many times they publish a move or battle before it really occurs." "We are on the banks of Bull run" [good description of camp life] 1 46 Fr: C.G. Thurmond, Shreveport Jan. 21, 1862 To: wife Re: George on way back home; Hattie and group arrived Feb. 24, 1862 1 47 Fr: C.G. Thurmond, Mt. Lebanon To: wife Re: town looks gloomy on account of war; Mark Rogers died at Liahburg Fr: C.G. Thurmond, Idle Side Cottage April 29, 1863 1 48 To: wife Re: family news 1 49 Fr: C.G. Thurmond, Shreveport May 16, 1863 To: wife [Hot Springs, Ar.] Re: [Civil] War (good description)

1	50	Fr: C.G. Thurmond, Mt. Lebanon June 2, 1863 To: wife Re: John Key arrived; went with Dr. Gill on gunboat; Tabby White; Ed Harris; John Key
1	51	Fr: C.G. Thurmond, Shreveport June 4, 1863 To: wife Re: concerned about baby; case of Dr. Cranes; under orders to go to Alexandria; Gov. Moon gave us a few days off; Col. Lacy Lewis
1	52	Fr: C.G. Thurmond, Headquarters La. State Army To: wife June 12, 1863 Re: arrived here last evening; broke sulky spring, mended it at Minden; Militia bill puts me out of job, I will be thankful
1	53	Fr: C.G. Thurmond, Shreveport June 16, 1863 To: wife Re: begs Rebecca to visit and to bring 4 bushels of salt and 2 children
1	54	Fr: C.G. Thurmond, Shreveport June 19, 1863 To: Sis Eliza and Miss Lou Re: Rebecca arrived and is well; baby fretful; John Key; one case of yellow fever reported here in hospital; note to boys, Tucker and Catlett
1	55	Fr: C.G. Thurmond, Shreveport July 1, 1863 To: wife Re: Sam left for home; ask Mr. Upshaw to advertise mule; leaves for Vicksburg next week

1	56	Fr: C.G. Thurmond, Shreveport To: wife Re: Dr. Crain and wife on way to Con	July 2, 1863 vention
1	57	Fr: C.G. Thurmond, Mt. Lebanon To: wife Re: Col Ardis and Capt. Wimberly still Henry shot at some fellows trying to s watermelons; Mary Jenkins; Tabby W looking badly	teal
1	58	Fr: C.G. Thurmond, Shreveport To: wife Re: business not good, only one comp of Volunteers in Shreveport; man shot and robbed	<del>.</del>
1	59	Fr: C.G. Thurmond, Mt. Lebanon To: wife Re: love of wife and family; Capt. Win may decline office; John Key looking Ann's baby very sick	•
1	60	Fr: C.G. Thurmond, Shreveport To: wife Re: Moscow, Boons and Port Boliver Landings on Lake Bisteneau to examin condition of sugar, molasses	July 6, 1863 ne
1	61	Fr: C.G. Thurmond, Shreveport Post Quarter Master Dept. LST (letter) [LST Louisiana Supply Train] To: wife Re: concern for son, Tucker	July 11, 1863 head)

1	62	Fr: C.G. Thurmond, Mt. Lebanon To: wife and babies Re: uneasy about Tucker and Tritos; a shot another boy; Shreveport excited a news of Vicksburg	•
1	63	Fr: C.G. Thurmond, Shreveport Post Quarter Master Dept. LST To: wife Re: unwell; Ann is well; children ill	July 13, 1863
1	64	Fr: C.G. Thurmond, Post Quarter Mas Dept. LST (letterhead) To: wife Re: 3000 making their way West; Gen Gen. Taylor; Mrs. Pennell son, Ed kill at Vicksburg; John Key; Bob Key; Bo	July 14, 1863 . Moss; ed; John
1	65	Fr: Rebecca To: C.G. Thurmond Re: Tucker dangerous; come quickly	July 15, 1863
1	66	Fr: C.G. Thurmond, Shreveport To: wife Re: what to do if Yankees approach [Tucker Thurmond died July 16, 1863]	July 15, 1863
1	67	He was five years old]  Fr: C.G. Thurmond, Shreveport To: wife Re: Capt. Wise has come; Legislature still in session; Dr. Egan Jr. here	Jan. 30, 1864

1	68	Fr: C.G. Thurmond, Shreveport To: wife Re: great quantities of cotton coming i will send <i>Southwestern</i> [newspaper] if you are not getting it	
1	69	Fr: C.G. Thurmond, near Memphis, Te On Steamer To: wife Re: have over 200 passengers; most ro Yankee people, uncouth in manner and but kind and respectful	May 28, 1868 ough
1	70	Fr: C.G. Thurmond, Mt. Lebanon, La. To: wife	Nov. 12, 1869
1	71	Fr: C.G. Thurmond To: wife Re: family news	May 17, 1877
1	72	Fr: C.G. Thurmond, Shreveport (Cotton Broker letterhead) To: wife, Hot Springs, Ar. Re: received Delphos & Rubin letters; our cow is sick; your mother improvin Mattie keeps house clean; Catlett went Lebanon withArdis; Tritos looking Gov. Hubbard of Conn. sent condolend our loss [?]	to Mt. fine;
1	73	Fr: C.G. Thurmond, Shreveport To: daughter	July 24, 1883

1	74	Fr: C.G. Thurmond, Shreveport To: wife Re: family news	July 25, 1883
1	75	Fr: C.G. Thurmond, Shreveport To: daughter Re: get well	July 29, 1883
1	76	Fr: C.G. Thurmond, Shreveport To: wife, Hot Springs, Ar. Re: Tritos and I went fishing; Mattie is doing first rate; Dr. Blackburn says Julia's mother has swamp fever, but sh changed color; Mrs. Buck and Miss Co Hargrove had dinner with us. Tell Del another order for 250 bales of cotton	ora Lee
1	77	Fr: C.G. Thurmond, Shreveport To: wife Re: Dr. Blackburn; Jim Vanhoose; Cora Lee Hargrove spent night with H news	July 31, 1883 fattie; family
1	78	Fr: C.G. Thurmond, Shreveport To: wife Re: someone broke into church; Looney's house robbed; Clarence Mar left for Hot Springs today	August 1, 1883
1	79	Fr: C.G. Thurmond, Shreveport To: daughter Re: family news	August 2, 1883

1	80	Fr: C.G. Thurmond, Shreveport To: wife, Hot Springs, Ar. Re: family news	August 2, 1883
1	81	Fr: C.G. Thurmond, Shreveport To: wife, Hot Springs, Ar.	August 3, 1883
1	82	Fr: C.G. Thurmond, Shreveport To: wife, Hot Springs, Ar. Re: sent Ruby, Mattie and Cora her pictures; going to Salem church tomor	August 4, 1883
1	83	Fr: C.G. Thurmond, Shreveport To: daughter, Hot Springs, Ar. Re: Tritos, Mattie and Cora went to Negro church to see them 'shout'	August 13, 1883
1	84	Fr: C.G. Thurmond, Shreveport To: wife Re: children are well; Mattie very good cook and housekeeper	August 17, 1883
		[C.G. Thurmond, shot and killed hims Cotton Brokerage Office in Shreveport April 2, 1884]	
1	85	Fr: Sallie To: Rebecca	
1	86	Fr: Randle Pittman, La Porte, Texas To: Mrs. Rebecca, Ardmore Indian Ter Re: news	July 9, 1900 rritory

## Legal documents/others concerning C. G. Thurmond and Rebecca S. Thurmond

2	87	Title for property in Mt. Lebanon, La. Sept. 14, 1855 From C.A. Thurmond to C.G. Thurmond	
2	88	Stock Certificate: 4 shares of Vicksburg Shreveport & Texas Rail Road Company issued to July 29, 1858 C.G. Thurmond	
2	89	Abstract of Title	May 12, 1873
2	90	Letter: fr: J.S. Copes New York Life Insurance To:C.G. Thurmond re: premiums April 16, 1877	
2	91	Blank mortgage	July 27, 1881
2	92	Holographic will of C.G. Thurmond	July 14, 1882
2	93	Newsclip: "A Sad Event"  Shreveport Times, suicide of C.G. Thur	April 2, 1884 mond
2	94	Tutrix appointment: Mrs. Rebecca S. Thurmond of minors of C.G. Thurmond	April 23, 1884 and
2	95	Under Tutor appointment: George A. Tuto minors of C.G. Thurmond	arner April 23, 1884
2	96	Power of Attorney: C.G. Thurmond Jr. to Mrs. Rebecca S. Thurmond	April 24, 1884
2	97	Act of Sale: F.L. Whaly, Longview To Mrs. Rebecca S. Thurmond, Caddo Parish (Tucker Subdivision in Shrevepo	July 26, 1884 rt)

2	98	Holographic will of Rebecca S. Thurmond	Sept. 30, 1884
2	99	Inventory of household	Jan. 17, 1885
2	100	Receipt and Contract in Sale of Land Mrs. R.S. Thurmond from Esperanza Land and Water Co, Los Angeles, Ca.	July 5, 1887
2	101	Certificate of Title: Los Angeles Abstract Co.	March 31, 1888
2	102	Title: to land in Los Angeles, Ca.	May 12, 1888
2	103	Deed: Miss Barbary L. Rice to Mrs. R.C. Thurmond	June 29, 1889
2	104	Permission from Board of Health Oct. 19, 1889 Transport body of Charles W. Thurmond from Shreveport to Mt. Lebanon via RR	
2	105	Marriage license: T.A. Thurmond, Adr Indian Territory and Olive G. Crouch	
2	106	Memorabilia: calling card of Mrs. C.G. Thurmond Picture card used as fundraiser for Gen. Hood's children	
2	107	Shreveport City Directory listing 1882. Copies of Mt. Lebanon Cemetery Thur Tombstones	
2	108	Miscellaneous	

### Shepherd, T.H. Thurmond and Hargrove Papers

2	109	Note (poem) to Mr. Josh Kemp Shepher By Lucy, Bess and Georgie	ed ca. 1902
2	110	Marriage License: Joshua Kemp Shephe And Mary Lee Thurmond	erd April 8, 1908
2	111	Letter: Fr: H. Newton Hargrove To: Sallie E. Hargrove re: land claim	April 30, 1921
2	112	Letter: Fr: D.M. Ramsey To: Josh Shepherd re: '25 <sup>th</sup> '	Oct. 8, 1925
2	113	Poem: by T.H. Thurmond to wife On 45 <sup>th</sup> anniversary	Nov. 5, 1929
2	114	Letter: Fr: Esther Blankenship To: T.H. Thurmond	June 12, 1931
2	115	Shreveport Times newsclip: Re: 'Shreveport Personalities – T.H. The	u.d. urmond'
2	116	Shreveport Times newsclip: 'Heart Attack Fatal to T.H. Thurmond'	Oct. 19, 1932
2	117	Arkansas Gazette newsclip 'J.K. Shepherd resigns Arkansas State A 'J.K. Shepherd leads Arkansas Chamber Tour'	•
2	118	The Daily Ardmoreite newsclip: 'T.A. Thurmond Plaque Unveiled' (small photograph included)	Feb. 16, 1947

#### 2 119 Memorabilia: Membership card of Tupos A. Thurmond 1941 Genealogy-Culpepper Family 120 3 Culpepper lineage u.d. 3 121 Letter: Fr: Carrie While Avery Aug. 18, 1919 To: Mrs. T. Thurmond Re: Culpepper 3 122 Letter: Fr:Grace Pierce Dec. 8, 1919 To: Carrie White Avery Re: Culpepper 3 Letter: Fr: Anna L.C. Phillips July 19, 1920 123 To: Mrs. J.S. Atchison Re: Culpepper 3 124 Letter: Fr: C.W. Avery Dec. 4, 1921 To: J.S. Dairs Re: Culpepper 3 125 Letter: Fr: Ruth Blair March 31, 1922 To: Mr. C.W. Avery Re: Culpepper Letter: Fr: Robert C. Davis 3 126 April 25, 1922 To: C.W. Avery Re: Culpepper war records request 3 Letter: Fr. Ruth Blair 127 Sept 14, 1922 To: Mrs, C.W. Avery Re: Culpepper information

3	128	Letter: Fr: H.R. McIlwaine, State Librarian, VA To: Mr. C.W. Avery Re: Culpepper	Nov. 3, 1922
3	129	Letter: Fr: H.R. McIlwaine To: C.W. Avery Re: Culpepper	Nov. 9, 1922
3	130	Culpepper certification	Nov. 9, 1922
3	131	Letter: Fr: Emma t. Strider, Registrar NSDAR To: Mrs. Tritos Thurmond Re: Culpepper claim verified	Feb. 19, 1923
3	132	Letter: Fr: Claudia Culpepper To: Mrs. Cora Thurmond Re: Culpepper	July 27, 1923
3	133	Culpepper Family History	Aug. 20, 1923
3	134	Letter: Fr: J. Newton Hargrove To: Mrs. Cora Lee Thurmond Re: Culpepper	Sept. 10, 1923
3	135	Letter: Fr: Cora Lee Thurmond To: J. Newton Hargrove Re: Culpepper	Sept. 11, 1923
3	136	Letter: Fr: J.N. Hargrove To: Mrs. T.H. Thurmond Re: Culpepper genealogy	June 14, 1924

3	137	Arkansas Gazette newsclip: 'Many Preachers in Culpepper Family	Jan. 24, 1926	
3	138	Letter: Fr: Rose Culpepper Kells To: Mrs. Cora Lee H. Thurmond Re: Culpepper genealogy	Feb. 19, 1932	
3	139	Letter: Fr: Agnes Frater McAlpin To: Mrs. T.H. Thurmond Re: Culpepper	March 6, 1935	
	Genealogy – Hargrove family			
3	140	Letter: Fr: J.Newton Hargrove To: Mrs. T.H. Thurmond Re: Hargrove family	August 8, 1922	
3	141	Letter: Fr: J.N. Hargrove To: Cousin Sallie and Cora Lee Re: listing of Hargrove family	Dec. 8, 1926	
3	142	Hargrove Family History Compiled by Jesse Newton Hargrove	Sept. 10, 1923	
3	143	Hargrove will, copied	u.d.	
3	144	Hargrove notes on letterhead of The I	nn Hotel	
Genealogy – Holmes Family				
3	145	Will (copy) of James Holmes	u.d.	
3	146	Note about Holmes family by Cora Ho	olmes Miller	

3 147 Letter: Fr: Carrie Avery Nov. 21, 1919 To: Mrs. Cora Lee Thurmond Re: Holmes family Genealogy - Miller 3 Newsclip: Professor Loye Miller 148 u.d. Genealogy - Key 3 Oct. 17, 1910 Letter: Fr: Joseph S. Key 149 To: T.H. Thurmond Re: lineage of Elizabeth Key Thurmond 3 150 Letter: Fr: Laura K. Shepherd July 1924 To: Cousin Cynthia Re: Martin Key 3 151 **Key Crest** Genealogy – Thurmond "Historical & Biographical Sketch of Thurmond" 3 152 DAR 3 Acceptance into DAR of Cora Lee Hargrove Thurmond 153 April 23, 1923 3 154 Data for DAR application Dec. 10, 1926 3 155 DAR Application – papers made out by Bessie Price on several lines

- 3 156 Memorabilia: membership card; order blank
- 3 157 Empty envelopes

### Photograph Album and Artifacts - 2 items

Antique 1800s leather <u>photo album</u> with brass buckle belonging to Mary Lee Thurmond Shepherd (MLTS) Few photos remaining but owner identified:
Lillie Thurmond, 'Grandfather Holmes', 'Grandfather Hargrove';

Her mother, Cora Lee and Georgie Stringfellow

An 1800s antique <u>leather pouch</u> with compartments for documents, receipts, etc. Embossed

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On inside: C.W. D. to C.G.T.