

**Marriages**  
**Listed in the**  
***Carolina Messenger***  
**(1872-1877),**  
***Goldsboro Messenger***  
**(1877-1887) and**  
***Goldsboro Headlight***  
**(1887-1903)**

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# Introduction

The marriages listed in this document were abstracted from newspapers which existed in Goldsboro, North Carolina in the late 1800s and early 1900s. The information was originally transcribed onto index cards by library staff and volunteers, date unknown. In 2004, the data from the cards was input into a Microsoft Word document by library staff. Thank you to everyone who worked on this project.

Information for the individuals listed in each entry depends upon the information included in each marriage announcement. The information which you're likely to find in this document is the name of the bride and groom, their parents, the date and place of the wedding, the officiate and sometimes other details such as where the married parties were from and attendants.

Special attention was given to the marital status of women and African American persons. If there was an indication that a woman was married then "Mrs." was placed after the woman's name. If it was evident that the deceased was of African American descent, then "African American" was written in the 'Misc. Info.' field. The ages of the individuals were written in parenthesis after their names if it was listed.

## Abbreviations Used

Abt – about	FL – Florida	NC – North Carolina
AL - Alabama	Fri – Friday	Nov – November
Apr – April	Ftrlaw – father in law	NY – New York
AR – Arkansas	G - groom	Oct – October
Aug – August	GA – Georgia	Off – officiate
Aun – aunt	Gbro – groom's brother	Par – parent/s
B – bride	Gftr – groom's father	Res – residence
Bbro – bride's brother	Gmtr – groom's mother	Sat – Saturday
Bftr – bride's father	Gpar – groom's parents	SC – South Carolina
Bgmtr – bride's grandmother	Jan – January	Sept – September
Bmtr – bride's mother	Jul – July	Sis – sister/s
Bpar – bride's parents	Jun – June	Sun – Sunday
Bsis – bride's sister	KS – Kansas	Thur – Thursday
Bro – brother	KT - Kentucky	TN – Tennessee
CA - California	M/M – Mr. and Mrs.	Tues – Tuesday
Ch – church	MA – Massachusetts	Twp – township
Co – county	Mar – March	Unc – uncle
Col - Colonel	Misc – miscellaneous	VA – Virginia
Dau – daughter/s	Mon – Monday	VT - Vermont
Dec – December	Mos - months	Wednes – Wednesday
Esq - esquire	Mt – mount	
Feb – February	Mtr – mother	

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