

Tom,

With your verification of this information, I think we will have success!!!

Have you ever had that feeling in your gut to mention a project to the MOST unlikely person and it starts a domino effect that leads to success? That is exactly what happened. I had a feeling to mention the Partridge family to a friend who is way too young and not a Clifton Forge resident. She works in a business in a neighboring city that puts the owners in the position of becoming acquainted with many others. One of the employees is a lifelong Clifton Forge resident. None of these people recognized the Partridge name. However, an employee of a totally different business happened to come by during the conversation and said he might be able to help. And - help he did! I took his information (source 1), contacted another source (source 2) to substantiate the information and was about to send it to you when - - - a patron asked me if I recognized a particular name associated with a local story he was researching. The last name happened to be the name I just learned this morning which had led me to the microfilm, with no success. However, this patron made a phone call (source 3) to obtain relevant information for himself and kindly added my search as well. Soooooooooooooo - without further ado, here is the information on Robert Michael "Mike" Partridge:

From source 1: "Robert Michael Partridge was born January 1, 1946, in Indiana and was married the first time in 1966 at First Presbyterian Church in Covington. He was divorced from his first wife in 1985 in North Carolina and remarried there two years later. At some point, he moved to Washington State and died December 29, 2015, in Washington."

From source 2: Michael married Frances Virginia Padgett on June 11, 1966. The officiating minister was Milton S. Carouthers. Immediately following their marriage, they lived in Covington, VA.

From source 3: See attachment. It's a little hard to read with having to enlarge it. It is dated June 10, 1966. It verifies Michael's birth place as Warsaw, Indiana, and that he is a white male, age 20, single. Father's name: R.E. Partridge. Mother's name: W. Louise Coffman. Residence: Rt. 1, Galion, Ohio. It lists Frances as a white, single, 18-year-old, born in Conway, S.C. Father's name: G.D. Padgett. Mother's name: Frances Pow. Residence: Covington, VA. Proposed Date of Marriage: June 11, 1966. Proposed Place of Marriage: Covington, VA.

Will be waiting with bated breath to see if you conclude that THIS is THE Robert Michael "Mike" Partridge for whom you have been seeking!!!

Iris

P.S. My apologies for the delay in sending this today - been a busy day - but now we are closed and I am about to hit the "send" button!