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Abstract: **Thomas Bradford Ferguson**

Mr. Ferguson was born in 1953 and is the nephew of Loise Wessendorff.

His story is part of the Wessendorff Family history series. He describes Loise's father, Mr. Henderson, and the mechanical genius, which led to his success in the cotton trade.

Loise grew up in The Houston Museum District.

Brad has memories of the Henderson home, family trips up to Hunt, Texas and of Loise's property on the Blanco River. He also talks admiringly about Joe Clyde Wessendorff's business acumen

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Interview Summary

People (in order mentioned in interview)

Gert Behanna - Author of *The Late Liz*
George Brown Family
Annie Jackson Darst - Maternal Grandmother
Thomas Bradford Darst - Maternal Grandfather
Tom Darst - Paternal Grandfather
Judith Jackson Darst Ferguson - Mother
Bob Henderson - Husband of Lois
Lois Jackson Henderson - Great Aunt
Ann Bennett Lachner - Sister
Anna Lachner - Niece
Joshua Darst Lachner - Nephew
Joe Clyde Wessendorff - Husband of Loise
Loise Douglas Henderson Wessendorff - Second Cousin
Wortham Family

Places / Businesses

Blanco River
Blanco, Texas
Henderson Foundation
Houston Museum District
Houston, Texas
Hunt, Texas
Well Spring in Blanco

Events

Patent process to clean burned cotton
NBC News photographer