

Picture circa 1960

The Carter House

126 S. Grannis Avenue

Carter's Angels Corner

Future home of the Boys and Girls Club of Titusville

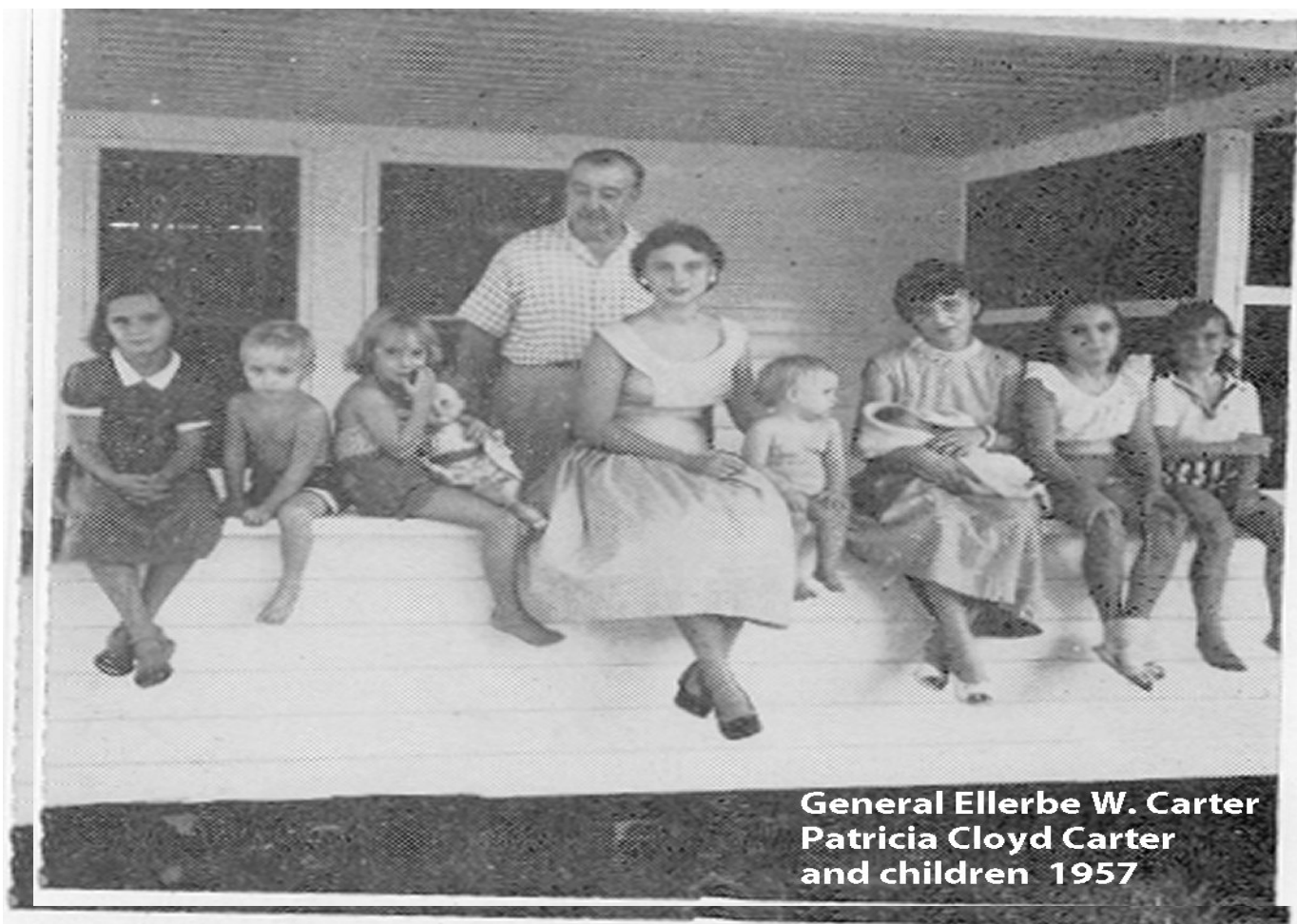
A Community Coming Together

The only request from the donating family was to make this home community orientated.



Introducing Brigadier General Ellerbe Winn Carter and His Family

picture 1957



**General Ellerbe W. Carter
Patricia Cloyd Carter
and children 1957**



**Brigadier General
Ellerbe Winn Carter**

- Born in Bibb County, Alabama 1884 – grew up in Virginia
- Graduated 1907 University of Virginia with Law Degree (practiced for 3 years with his father)
- 1910 moved to Kentucky and married his 1st wife Nancy Hall Pearson
- 2 children (Ellerbe Jr. and Nancy)
- Died in 1941 in a house fire in Hattiesburg while he was a commander to Camp Shelby, Mississippi
- Joined Kentucky National Guard and fought in the Mexican Conflict 1916-1917
- During the Mexican conflict he met and became a Friend of General George S. Patton. Searched together for Poncho Villa
- Earned the rank of Major in WWI
- Remained in Kentucky Nation Guard became Brigadier General in 1924
- 1942 married Patricia (died in 1984)
- Moved to Titusville to open a real estate brokerage in 1947 East Coast Realty
- Titusville City Council 1952, Mayor
- He helped save Draa Field as a high school football field when Council wanted it to become Jess Parrish Hospital
- Instrumental in getting low-income housing built on the corner of Main and Grannis (they are still there), part owner in Dixie Village and Orange Grove Park
- Died at the age of 86, October 11, 1972

Brigadier General Ellerbe W. Carter





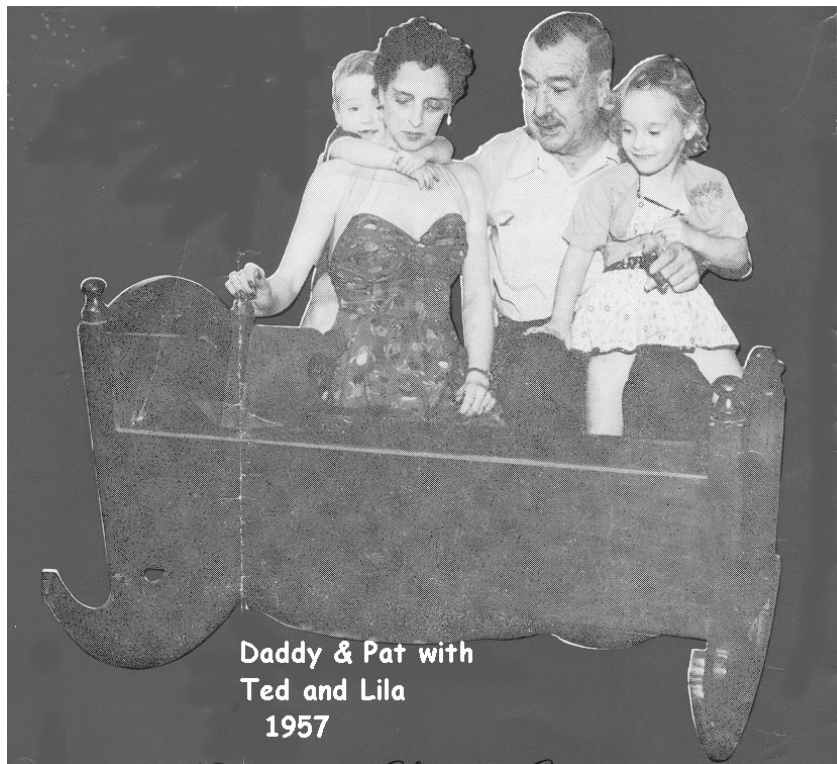
Patricia Cloyd Carter

- 1950's Titusville Women's Club library Broad Street. Free library on Hopkins. Closed after a few years when City Council made the Women's Club stop charging. Her books went into their personal library in one room of the house.
- 8 children Gen and Pat. General's 2 were adults when they married. Pat had a son from a previous marriage.
- Natural Childbirth. Her practice of delivering her children unattended at brought media from near and far. Article in LOOK magazine and an appearance on the Art Linkletter Show. Published book 1957 *Come Gently Sweet Lucina*
- She established the League of Liberated Women
- Equal Rights movement, married women in public schools, incarcerated pregnant women, trees in Blanton Park
- Titusville's first dance school
- 1983 Pioneer Women of Brevard County from the American Association of University Women. Planted a crepe myrtle in her honor.
- Died May 9, 1984



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The Carters had 11 children
3 from previous marriages and 8 together

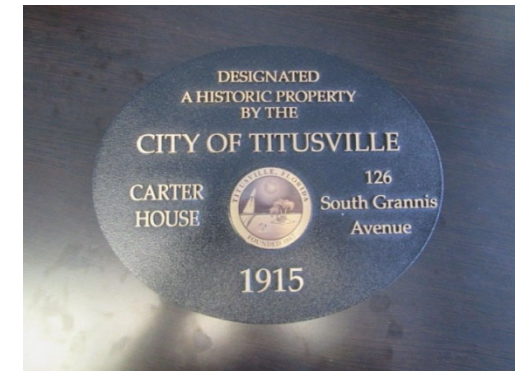


**Book on Natural Childbirth
by Patricia Carter**



Patricia Carter at a protest in Blanton Park

History of the House



- **Built 1915 by Ida E. Glenn**
- **Alderman - Adelaide Winslow - Then sold to Carters in March of 1943**
- **A couple of years after Patricia died 1984 the house was passed between family members which included probate and foreclosures.**
- **In 1989 the Trustee (Clay Henderson) for the Grannis Trust deeded the property to Lila D. Carter and Paul Sanders, Jr.**
- **In 1995 the house was added by the Heritage Council to the Brevard Register of Historic Buildings**
- **The house was issued code violations totaling over \$100,000, fell into disrepair and was threatened to be demolished if not brought into compliance by June 1, 2015**
- **In 2015, after the death of Lila D. Carter, through the efforts of The North Brevard Heritage Foundation, the City of Titusville (Historic Preservation Board, attorneys, council etc.) and other Carter family members(Ted Carter, Molly Carter Calhoun), Paul Sanders, Jr. deeded the property to the North Brevard Charities Sharing Center (April 24, 2015)**
- **In 2016 the house was designated onto the City of Titusville's Local Register of Historic Places**
- **It is not on the National Register**
- **Today it is the new home of Boys and Girls Club of Central Florida, Titusville Branch**

Historical and Architectural Significance

Adaptive Reuse – Rehabilitation

Craftsman Bungalow Style (Cracker Vernacular)

This house is significant in Titusville's history and architecture and possesses integrity of location, design, setting, materials and workmanship and



In the summer of 2015 the code violations were addressed and the house boarded up



The majority of the violations were overgrowth related. However, this house was in an extreme hoarding condition. NBCSC worked for months salvaging antique furniture and removing mounds of debris and animal waste. There was a hole in the roof and most of the floor in the southwest corner was gone.

The City of Titusville worked with North Brevard Charities to help eliminate a large amount of the fines.

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Exposed rafter ends and purlins

1960's aluminum siding
Original wood siding of the house has been painted. The color choice was gray because it was close to the original color and it is a historical color.

Porch roof is supported by square columns and a knee wall runs between the supports. Part of the floor was replaced by wood taken from the back of the house. There is a small amount that is new. Ceiling was paneled with a unique square motif that has been removed and





Another hallmark of the Craftsman style is the covered front porch which spans the entire east side of the house.



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Two prominent brick chimneys with corbelled caps offset on the west slope of the roof and on the exterior of the south side.

The chimney on the south side was separating from the house after the foundation was leveled. It has been repaired and painted and sealed.



The three fireplaces; one in the foyer, one in the living room and one in the center room were in horrible condition.



Dining room fireplace



 **Littlejohn**
An S&ME Company

The Fireplace in the Living Room had to be completely rebuilt because a lot of the original tile was missing.





The kitchen



Volunteers , including family members, learned how to repair the fireplace from a mason that was an inmate from the Brevard County Jail.
The fireplace originally had weeds growing in it!



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This buffet was unable to be salvaged do to large hole in roof that caused extensive rotting. However we were able to save the two other sections of the buffet. Some of this glass was given to family.

Other hallmarks of the Craftsman style evident in the Carter's bungalow are the built-in cabinetry, and coffered ceilings.

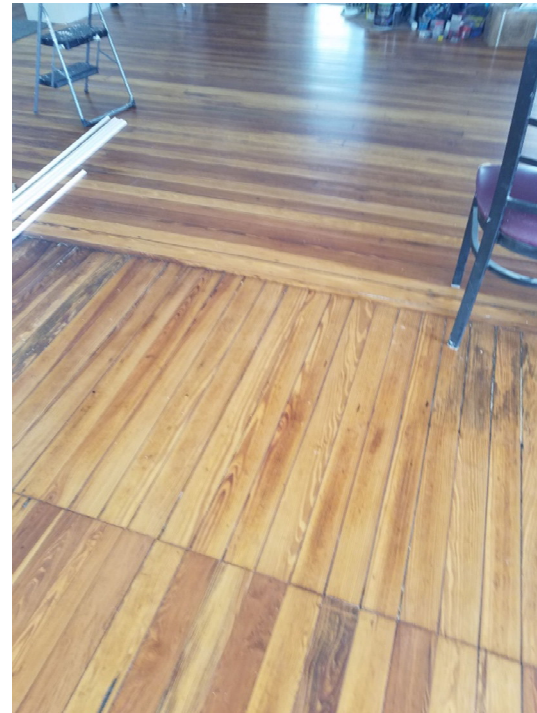




The original Merritt Island pine floors were sanded and varnished. All the original imperfections were left. Salvage wood from the back area was used to refurbish the front porch.



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The North side entrance and required parking area



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The following companies and people have contributed to the rehabilitation of this historic home:

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