



John Henry Gwathney (1837-1919)

marker. Nancy married 1859 to Levi Bryant Jones, the son of Brittan Jones. Levi was born 1836 Jackson County, died 1 February 1892 Paint Rock, buried Old Paint Rock Cemetery. Their two children, born in Paint Rock were: Lela Jones, born 1860; and Lily C. Jones, born 1864 and married Will Lively.

John Henry Gwathney was born 26 August 1837 Maysville, Madison County, died 25 December 1919 Paint Rock, buried Old Paint Rock Cemetery. He served in the Confederate

States Army, enlisted 4 April 1861 in Huntsville and served until the end of the war, a Private in Company K, 4th Alabama Cavalry Regiment. John first married 21 May 1865 Madison County to Martha Jane Beard. She was born 1848 in Virginia, died 18 January 1888 Paint Rock, buried Old Paint Rock Cemetery, the daughter of Andrew Beard and Lucy Woolbanks. Their ten children, all born near Paint Rock, were: Lee Gwathney (1865-1885); Edna C. Gwathney Finley (1870-1930); John Washington Gwathney (1871-1933); Walter James Gwathney (1873-1960); Arthur Scott Gwathney (1875-); Mary Elizabeth Gwathney Constable (1879-1959); William Columbus Gwathney (1881-1935), (father of submitter); Alvie H. Gwathney (1884-1956); Myra Mae Gwathney Turner (1885-1924); and Charles Isaac Gwathney (1888-1960). John second married 1888 Artemus Woodall and had one child, Henry Gwathney (1889-1967). John third married 8 October 1897 Jackson County to Permelia "Melia" Ann Tipton. Melia was born 1859 Jackson County, died April 1922 Jackson County, buried Latham Cemetery. They had one child, Izzie Mack Gwathney (1900-1979). Melia was the daughter of William C. Tipton and Tabitha Shook.

Mary Elizabeth Gwathney was born 6 January 1841 Mississippi, died 17 November 1905 Jackson County, buried Mount Pleasant Cemetery, Cumberland Mountain. She first married 7 November 1869 Jackson County to James W. Finley. She second married 21 November 1878 Jackson County to William "Bill" Arnold Pigg, a minister, born 19 July 1836 South Carolina, died 27 August 1913 Jackson County, buried Mount Pleasant Cemetery, Cumberland Mountain.

Joseph "Joe" J. Gwathney was born 13 December 1843 Mississippi, died 31 August 1933 Goodwin, Saint Francis County, Arkansas, buried there. He served in the Confederate States Army, in Company K, 4th Alabama Cavalry Regiment. Joe married 13 May 1869 Jackson County to Zelta Mary Camp. She was born 1850 Jackson County, buried in Arkansas. Their ten children, all born near Paint Rock, were: William Gwathney (1864-); Laura Gwathney Byrd (1872-); James Albert Gwathney (1873-1959); Lula Gwathney Frederick (1875-1957); Oliver Green Gwathney (1877-); Elizabeth Gwathney Dover (1879-); Eugene Gwathney; Sarah Ann Gwathney Hood; Minnie Gwathney Grimes; and Joseph J. Gwathney Jr.

Eliza Jane Gwathney was born 1847 Maysville, Madison County, died 1869 Paint Rock, buried Old Paint Rock Cemetery, no marker. She married 12 September 1864 Jackson County to Levi Bryant Jones. He was first married to Eliza Jane's sister, Nancy Ann. Eliza and Levi reared Nancy's two children, Lela and Lily, and also had one child, Nancy Ann Jones, born 1867 in Paint Rock. After Eliza died, Levi third married 26 February 1869 Jackson County to Mary A. Lewis and they had one child, Hettie Jones, born 1870 in Paint Rock.

Robert Franklin Gwathney was born 23 August 1849 Maysville, Madison County, died 10 December 1899 Paint Rock, buried Old Paint Rock Cemetery. He married 28 November 1873 Jackson

County to Dicia Ann Hudson. She was born December 1853. Their eight children, all born near Paint Rock, were: John Gwathney (1874-1907); Dickie Gwathney, died young; Ada Gwathney Wallace (1876-1900); Bertha Gwathney (1880-died young); Fannie Gwathney, died young; Lela Gwathney Herlston (1894-); Cleo Gwathney Keel (1888-1942); and Nila Gwathney Schrimsher (1891-1977).

Jonathan Benjamin Gwathney was born 1853 in Paint Rock and died 1890/1900 Jackson County. Jonathan married first 2 September 1879 Jackson County to Tabitha Lewis. They had one child, Beulah, born 1880, who was reared by the Lewis family. He second married 28 October 1883 in Nat to Missouri Adaline "Zudie" Elledge. She was born 1863 in Madison County and died 1890/1900 Jackson County. They had three children, all born in Jackson County: Ernestine Gwathney Woodard (1884-1974), reared by John Wade Tipton and Mary Ellen Elledge Tipton; Joseph Wade Gwathney (1886-1926), reared by John Wade Tipton and Mary Ellen Elledge Tipton; and Leona Gwathney Dishner (1890-), reared by Joseph Alva Elledge and Ella D. Johnston Elledge. Zudie was the daughter of Alva F. Elledge and Mildred Sophronia Moring Elledge and the granddaughter of Reuben and Malinda Elledge and George Webb Moring and Diane Gwathney Moring.

Lee B. Gwathney was born 1859 Paint Rock, died 1860 Paint Rock, and buried near his parents in an unmarked grave.

Submitted in memory of Charles Howard Gwathney (1921-1996) and Lois Louise Teal Gwathney (1921-1989). Submitted by: Gladys Gwathney Gray, 816 Brownsboro Road, Brownsboro, AL 35741, and assisted by Teresa Harbin Cowles, 1506 Moontown Road, Brownsboro, AL 35741-9425.

Sources: Marriage, census, and cemetery records, obituaries, interviews.

Hackworth Family

There is a story that the Hackworths came from Normandy to England. Other information says the names of Peter de Hackworth and John de Hackworth were on the Hundreds Roll in 1273 in



George Reed "Buster" Hackworth

Devon County, England. Members of the family emigrated from England to Virginia in the middle 1700's. In Virginia, they defended the colony in all its wars.

Augustine (Austin) Hackworth and William Hackworth had services in Thomas Buford's company of Bedford County, Virginia, Militia and were in the Battle at Point Pleasant, October 10, 1774.

Augustine and wife, Mary Ruth, emigrated to Knox County, Tennessee

and then on the Sequatchie Valley in Marion County, Tennessee. He was the father of five children: three sons and two daughters. The son that the Hackworths from Stevenson and Sequatchie Valley are descended from was Austin, who married Sarah Rigney and had twelve children.

Johnson, the oldest son of Austin and Sarah (Gonce) Hackworth, settled at Edgefield. They had six sons and one daughter. The sons were Randolph, Wilson, Joe, and George, all of whom lived in and around Stevenson and reared families; Newton and William moved to Oklahoma. The daughter, Frances, married a Golston and had six children. Frances and her husband both died with the flu in 1890, and the brothers helped raise the children.

Wilson J. Hackworth - Oct. 29, 1856-Nov. 20, 1935, married Aug. 27, 1882 Nannie C. Grider - June 28, 1864 - Nov. 1, 1895. They had five children, all born in Jackson County: Myrtle J. Hackworth - July 15, 1884 - May 12, 1955; Sarah Callie Hackworth - May 27, 1885 - Sept. 1, 1982; George Reed "Buster" Hackworth - Oct. 27, 1888 - Nov. 2, 1930; James "Hop" Hackworth -

May 18, 1890 - Dec. 8, 1942; Eliza Lyda Hackworth - Jan. 30, 1894 - Feb. 5, 1991. Nannie Grider Hackworth died at the age of 31, in 1895. Wilson married Mary S. Hood, Aug. 26, 1900.

Myrtle J. married Charles Smith, Aug. 5, 1900. They had three children: Beatrice, James Robert and Charles Hop.

Sarah Callie married James Wiley Hill, June 15, 1902. Their children were James Wiley Hill, Jr. 1921-1922, Claude L. (Bill), Wilson Henry and Leona.

George Reed "Buster" married Ida Mae Heath Jan. 15, 1912. Their children were: Edna Myrtle Louise - Sept. 15, 1913 - Jan. 7, 1987; Amos Buster - March 19, 1916 - Aug. 10, 1991; George Reed, Jr. - July 31, 1919 - Nov. 18, 1990; Nannie Opal - March 23, 1922 - ; Herman William - Jan. 26, 1925 - . George Reed "Buster" died while the children were young. His sisters and brothers helped raise the children.

He is buried at the Hackworth cemetery.

Edna Myrtle Louise married Willie "Bill" Chelsey Privett (Dec. 25, 1910 - Dec. 27, 1988). They had one child, Willie Bea Privett (May 1, 1932). She married James Wilson Matthews (Aug. 4, 1926). They had two children, James Ronald "Dan" and



Wilson J. & Nannie Grider Hackworth

Alisa Carlene. James Ronald "Dan" Matthews (Aug. 3, 1950). He married Feb. 14, 1976 to Karen Yvonne Houchins (Oct. 10, 1952). They had two children, Wallace Ryan (Jan. 21, 1978) and Keith Wilson (Oct. 3, 1980). James Ronald "Dan" then married Aug. 13, 1993 to Tammy Kay Smith Lacy (Nov. 31, 1960). She had one son, Joseph Chad "Joey" Lacy (June 10, 1981). Alisa Carlene Matthews (July 23, 1954) married Sept. 20, 1975 to Herschel Wayne Price (May 11, 1951). They had three children, Christy Shae (June 10, 1976), Holly Jerushia (March 24, 1980) and Nicki Renee (July 6, 1987).

Amos Buster married Pearl Lucille Hornbuckle March 31, 1913 - Sept. 12, 1990. They had no children and are buried at Hackworth Cemetery.

George Reed, Jr. married Sadie Belle Sizemore (Feb. 14, 1922 - Aug. 30, 1967). They had two children, Wanda Sue and George Walter. Wanda Sue (May 31, 1941) married Earl Inglis, Jr. (Jan. 23, 1944). They had two children, Karen Lynn (May 22, 1969) and Brian Alan (Sept. 17, 1974). Karen married Ricky Alan Hooser (Aug. 3, 1968) and had one son, Christopher Alan Hooser (Sept. 12, 1988). Karen Lynn then married Jamie McCrary and had one daughter Samantha Cheyanne McCrary (Oct. 11, 1995). George Walter Hackworth (March 18, 1946) married Christine DeFlece (May 4, 1950). They had four daughters: Heather (Aug. 4, 1974) married Johnny Thompson; Valerie (Aug. 24, 1978), Stefanie (Oct. 29, 1979) and Jennifer (Oct. 29, 1979).

Nannie Opal Hackworth (March 23, 1922) married Willis Earl Dunn. They had seven children: Anne, Peggy, Bonnie, Paulette, Edna Ruth, Sandra Gail and Darlene.

Herman William Hackworth (Jan. 25, 1925) never married.

James Hop married Maude Ellege Dec. 15, 1921. They had no children.

Eliza Lyda married Harry Stoner Nov. 26, 1914. They had one son, Harry, Jr. Jan. 4, 1916.

Myrtle, James Hop and Eliza Lyda moved and lived in Sherfield and Tuscomb, Alabama. George Reed, Jr. lived with them, after the death of his father, until he graduated from high school. Then he returned to Stevenson where he met Sadie and married her. Sarah Callie and James Wiley Hill moved to Chattanooga, TN and lived there until their deaths.

George Reed "Buster" and Ida Mae continued to live in Stevenson until his death. He is buried at Hackworth Cemetery.

Ida Mae Hackworth later married C. F. Reynolds. They had one daughter Mary Lorraine Reynolds (1933). Ida Mae is buried at Stevenson City Cemetery. Submitted by: Willie Bea Matthews, P.O. Box 328, Stevenson, AL and Wanda Sue Inglis, granddaughters of George Reed "Buster" Hackworth.

Sources: Personal knowledge, census records, Family Bible, biography book similar to this one.

Haggard

Born on Billy Goat Hill outside of Richard City, Tennessee on April 22, 1923, Albert Cleveland Haggard was the son of a share cropper. When he was seven years old, his family of two brothers and three sisters moved to a cove near the Bridgeport Ferry.

Carrying water from a nearby mountain stream, he helped his father chink the cracks in the rundown log house. There were seven other families living in the cove, and they were a close community, despite the hard times brought on by the Great Depression. Albert played jacks with the other children, including the oldest daughter of World War I veteran Charlie Colvin.

By the age of twelve, he was plowing behind a mule in the long fields between the Bridgeport Ferry and Island Creek. With a fifth grade education, he dropped out of school to work the fields full time. In 1940, at the age of seventeen, he joined the army and served in the 29th Infantry.

When the Japanese bombed Pearl Harbor, he volunteered to join the paratroopers, and became a member of the 82nd Airborne Division. His first combat jump was in Sicily, where he was behind enemy lines for six days and nights, and was reported missing in action.

Evelyn Colvin was in high school during the war, and wrote a letter to Albert, but he never answered. He was busy fighting a war and never expected to live to come home anyway. He fought in every campaign and battle the 504th Regiment was in, including Sicily, Salerno, Anzio, Holland, France, the Battle of the Bulge, and Germany.

By the end of the war, he had been awarded a Presidential Unit Citation, six Bronze Stars, and a Bronze Arrowhead. Although wounded in the leg during an air raid in Naples, Italy, he was never awarded the Purple Heart.

Among the many close calls in his combat experiences, was the amphibious assault across the Lower Rhine in Holland during Operation Market Garden. In the crossing to capture the Nijmegen Bridge, half his company were killed or wounded, and Albert had a paddle shot from his hands and a bullet put through his canteen.

The war was over, and Evelyn had gotten a job in a drug store in Rossville, Georgia. One day a familiar young man walked in. It was Sergeant Albert Haggard, home from the war. He invited her to the fair that was in town, and three months later they were married. Together they raised two daughters and a son.

They retired to a small farm on the West bluff of Sand Mountain overlooking the cove where they had played jacks together as children. When his oldest daughter heard the old war story of her Dad never receiving the medal for the wound he had received in Italy, she wrote letters to senators and congressmen. Forty four years after the guns were silent, Albert received the long overdue Purple Heart. There was no hiding the pride in his eyes as he held the small symbol of the blood he had shed for his country. Submitted by: Allen W. Haggard, 816 Linden Hall Rd., Chattanooga, TN 37415. Sources: Albert C. Haggard; Evelyn R. Haggard; Official record of the 504th Parachute Infantry Regiment.



Sergeant Albert Haggard in combat jump suit. France, 1944.

James Hall

Among the earliest white settlers of Paint Rock Valley was James Hall. Nothing has been found about his parents. He gave his birth date as 1787. On the 1850 census he said he was born in North Carolina.

During the War of 1812, he was drafted at Fayetteville, Tennessee into a company commanded by Captain Raines. At Fort Montgomery, he was transferred to a regiment from Lincoln County commanded by Major Russell in the War of Pensacola. He was discharged at Winchester, Tennessee. His tour of duty was from September 28, 1813 to March 27, 1814. On April 1, 1853, he received an 80 acre bounty land warrant for this service. His application for an additional land warrant was dated March 28, 1855.

James Hall was one of the signers in 1819 of the petition to Washington protesting the planned expulsion of white people from Indian lands. When land could first be purchased in 1830, he patented 160 acres in Section 33, Township 1 South, Range 4 East.

James Hall joined Mud Creek Primitive Baptist Church during the first half of 1820. The minutes of Mud Creek Baptist Association for the year 1824 refer to him as a "licensed minister" from Paint Rock Baptist Church. In the 1826 minutes he is called an "ordained minister". Beginning in 1840, he is listed as "Elder James Hall", a delegate from Larkin Fork Baptist Church.

In 1808 or 1809, he was married to Mary "Polly" Williams. Family tradition says that she was a Black Dutch. Neither her parents nor her date of birth are known. This couple were the parents of sixteen children. Their names and approximate date of birth are: Elizabeth - 1810, John W. - 1811, Thomas W. - May 23, 1812, Jeruthy - 1814, Jesse - April 1, 1815, Elisha Prescott - 1818, Elijah - March 16, 1819, Permelia - February, 1820, William C. - 1821, Samuel - January 26, 1826, James C. - 1829, Mary "Polly" - 1831, David - March 10, 1832, Nancy - 1834, Cynthia Ann - 1837, and Jonathan - 1837.

After Mary's death in 1845, James married Leatha Cain Moore. The names of their children were Joseph and Rachel Francis.

James, Mary and their daughter, Permelia, are all buried in Prince Point Cemetery. Other members are said to be buried there also.

Some from this Hall family became pioneers in other states. David and Elisha moved their families from Alabama to Arkansas; William C. went to Mississippi; John W. and Elijah settled in Texas; Elizabeth's family was in Missouri. But many descendants are still in Jackson and nearby counties. Submitted by: Christine Burbage (Great-granddaughter), 328 Harris Chapel Drive, Winchester, TN 37398.

Sources: Genealogy Center - Salt Lake City, Paint Rock Valley Pioneers, *First 100 Years of Baptists in Jackson County, Vol. 2* by Nelson Varnell; Military records; various libraries.

Joseph and Mahala (Welborn) Hall

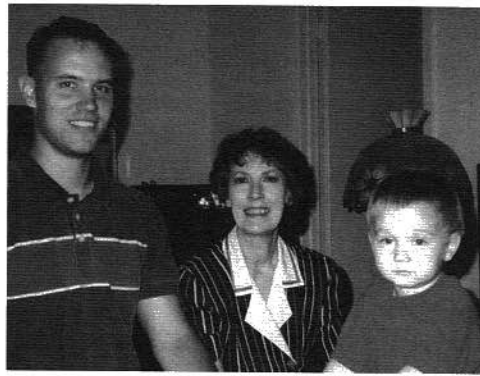
Joseph was an early settler to Jackson County, AL. While there is no proof of his place of birth, the 1900 census record of his son Abner indicated that he was born in SC. It appears Joseph and his mother-in-law, Tabitha Welborn had settled in Jackson County,



Abner Hall

AL early in the 1820's. Joseph married Mahala Welborn about 1823. They had four children all born in Alabama. William (b. January 8, 1824), Mahala Susan (b. January 14, 1827), Abner (b. October 16, 1828), and John (b. June 18, 1831). The Federal Government opened the land offices in 1830, so these early

settlers could purchase their lands. Tabitha Welborn purchased 160 acres on July 5, 1830, where the village of Trenton is located. On July 28, 1830, Joseph Hall bought two 80 acre tracts of land. One tract was one mile east of Tabitha's, and the second was located about 2 miles east and just north of her land. Although Joseph and Mahala do not appear on the 1830 census, there is an Edward Hall who appeared to be living on the western most part of the two 80 acre tracts of Joseph's. Edward Hall never patented any land, and a relationship has not been determined. Joseph and Mahala sold the eastern tract to James Hunter on August 8, 1834. According to family tradition the family moved to AR about 1837. Joseph's family does not appear on the 1840 census for AR. Joseph



Left to right Derrick, Elaine, Devin Neal

Mahala Susan Hall married Robert Jefferson Wood. They had the following children. Hanna (b. 1846), John (b. 1846), Isham M. (b. 1850), William (b. 1852), George W. (b. 1854), Susan (b. 1856), Mahala (b. 1857), and Charity (b. 1859).

John Hall married Carolene and they had Nancy. They remained in Marion, AR.

Abner Hall married Sarah Ann Duvall, daughter of Benjamin and Ruth Moseley. Benjamin was a descendant of the French Huguenot emigrant Mareen Duvall of Anne Arundel, MD. Abner and Sarah had nine children. Abner remained in AR for a year after the Civil War, just long enough to grow a crop. He then moved his family along with his mother and father-in-law to Coryell Co., TX. Elmina Elizabeth (b. 1849) married Milton B. Bynum, Joseph (b. 1851) married Mary Baugus, William Benjamin (b. 1854) married Mrs. Mahala Wood Duncan, Angeline (b. 1856) married D. M. Anderson, Mahala died young in 1864, Oma Emmeline (b. 1861) was married twice. Her husbands were Frederick



Lana Neal

died August 27, 1843, and before 1850 Mahala had remarried to William Austin of Marion County, AR.

William Hall married "China" and had the following children. Benjamin (b. 1848) AR, Rebecca Jane (b. 1850) MO, Millie (b. 1852) MO, and Susan (b. 1856) AR. William died about 1873.

Franklin Teairl (Terrell) and David Crockett Traweek. Ruth Louisa (b. 1865) married Thomas Duncan, and twins Susan and Rachel (b. 1869). Susan married William Holloway. Rachel died at a young age.

Abner was a Confederate soldier and fought with the 16th AR Infantry. During one period of the war, Abner was riding a mule. The mule was shot out from under him and

fell on Abner, pinning him to the ground. When help finally arrived Abner was told that his leg would have to be amputated. He refused and lived to his dying day with two good legs, but walked with a limp.

Sarah died from complications during childbirth with the twins, Rachel and Susan, in 1869. In 1876 Abner married Mrs. Lucindin Sandlin.

Oma Emmeline Hall married Frederick Franklin Teairl and had Oscar Franklin Teairl (b. 1884) and he married Irene Bell Burch. They had no children. Ida Oma Sarah Elizabeth Teairl (b. February 19, 1886) married William Wesley Lewis. Jessie Louisa Susan Teairl died young. Frederick Teairl died in (1889) and Oma married David C. Traweek and they had two children. Robert Lee Traweek (b. 1895) married Faye Mitchem and they had no children. Stella Traweek (b. 1897) was never married. She taught for many years while working toward her PhD in Business Statistics. She was the first female on the faculty at The University of Texas at Austin.

Ida and William Lewis had Teairl W. (b. July 8, 1908), Niladine (b. 1911) married Clovis Green, and the twins Naurea (b. 1914) married Frank Wines, and Ulrea (b. 1914) married Bart Dillion.

Teairl graduated from the University of Texas Law School. He was an attorney for over fifty years. Teairl died November 8, 1988 in Converse, TX. Teairl married Velma Hamilton 1934, in Austin,

TX. They had five children. Carolyn Elizabeth (b. August 8, 1938) has been married twice. Her first husband was Leroy Becker. They had Elizabeth, Carl, and Katherine. She and her second husband Robert Kyle reside in San Diego, CA. Glenda Lee (b. September 9, 1940) married Robin Hook and had Deborah. Susan Elaine (b. June 28, 1945) was married twice. Her first husband was Ray Neal and they had Lana Carol (b. September 15, 1970) and Derrick Alan (b. February 21, 1972). She and her second husband Edwin Hamlin reside in Converse, TX. Teairl W. (Terry) (b. August 8, 1946) has been married twice. He and his first wife Carla Phillips had Heather. He and his second wife Katherine reside in Nacogdoches, TX. Gerald Hamilton (b. May 25, 1950) has never married.

Today we are enjoying my first grandson, he is the son of Derrick and Judy Johnson (b. July 20, 1973). Devin Alexander was born June 15, 1995 in San Antonio, TX and will carry on the family line. Devin is the seventh generation since our ancestor Joseph Hall. *Submitted by: Elaine Hamlin, 7239 Southern Ridge, Converse, TX 78109-2716.*

John Allison "Strawberry" Hall

John A. Hall was born October 15, 1898, on a farm in Bridgeport, Alabama. His father, C.W.C. Hall, was a school teacher in his younger years, a businessman in Bridgeport, and a civil engineer in Jackson County for 30 years. His mother, Alice Margaret Allison, was born and reared in the Big Coon community near Stevenson, Alabama.

As a child, John was given the nickname "Strawberry Hall" by the hands on the family's strawberry farm, and throughout his life people referred to him affectionately as "Strawberry John". At the early age of 5, his focus on life became clear. An article in a local paper called him the "man who knew everyone". People were always a big part of his life.

On March 15, 1924, John married Lois Vivian Lovelady from Fackler, Alabama. She was the daughter of Cobb William and America Adams Lovelady. Their marriage lasted 52 years and together they reared seven children, Dorothy Ann Blake, Betty Smith, Jean Jolley, Jewell Baraham, Charles W.C. Hall, John C. Hall, and Susie Smith. These years in his life were filled with varied experiences. John began as a farmer. Then for two years, during the time the flu epidemic killed so many people, he worked with an undertaker

by the name of Hollis. "I had a fine pair of horses which I hitched to his hearse," Hall stated. Later Mr. Hall worked for a car dealer in Scottsboro.

In 1940, John got his start in real estate under a Mr. C.S. Burton who owned an agency in Scottsboro. Within two years, John had

received his brokers license, and decided to go into business for himself. This was his occupation and passion for over the next 50 years. He loved to sell the earth. He was quoted as saying that he sold more real estate than any man in Jackson County. He once advertised a piece of property in the prestigious Wall Street Journal. The ad cost thirty dollars. A doctor in Washington saw the ad and called Mr. Hall. He sold the parcel for twelve dollars an acre. In 1975, that same land sold to a Stevenson Industry for \$1000 an acre. Once he sold the same piece of property twice to the same man.

Besides his real estate business, Mr. Hall served this area in many other ways. He served 12 years on the Jackson County Board of Education, from 1958 until 1970, missing only one meeting in the entire time. He was a lifetime member of the Bridgeport Church of Christ where he served as a deacon for many years. He was a charter member of the Bridgeport Lions Club.

On August 26, 1976, his wife Lois died, leaving a big void in his life. He later married Velma Steele Bishop. They were married seven years, until her death in 1984.

In an article written about Mr. Hall in 1985, he was quoted as saying, "I have lived through two depressions (1920 and 1930) and



Lois Lovelady Hall, John A. Hall

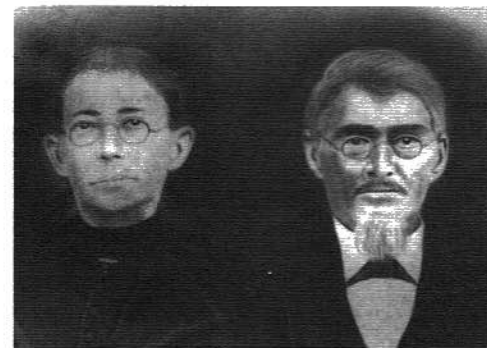
I've had a good life. The greatest enjoyment I have out of life has been loving people and making friends. Remembering their names has been one of my greatest accomplishments."

John A. Hall passed from this life February 14, 1986, leaving six living children and many grandchildren and great-grandchildren. He was buried in the Rocky Springs Cemetery. *Submitted by: Betty Smith, 7009 Co. Rd. 75, Bridgeport, AL.*

Sources: Newspaper articles; personal knowledge.

Samuel and Eliza Butler Hall

Samuel Hall (January 26, 1826 - August 27, 1910) was a son of James (1787-August 5, 1870) and Mary Williams Hall (d. 1845), who were among the earliest settlers of Jackson County. Eliza's (March 22, 1836 - June 27, 1914) parents were Samuel and Margaret Lemons (Laymons) Butler. The Butlers raised eight sons and five daughters in the Butler Hollow area northwest of Woodville. The family was in Paint Rock Valley before 1850.



Samuel and Eliza Butler Hall

Eliza Butler was first married to Robert Hawkins. Their only child was Mollie who died at age 15. No details

are known about Samuel Hall's early life, but he was more than forty years of age when he and Eliza married. They lived near Francisco.

Eliza and Samuel had two children. Margaret Ann (January 25, 1872 - October 25, 1966), who was known as Aunt Maggie, never married. She was the much loved substitute mother for two families of her brother's children after the death of their mother.

John Frank Hall (September 9, 1870-March 29, 1958) was a store owner, operated peddling routes, saw mill operator and post office operator in Francisco. His first wife was Lucy E. Anderson (January 31, 1871 - July 31, 1902). Their children were Walter Blake (December 3, 1896-March 28, 1984), Eliza Leona (November 6, 1898-December 18, 1970), and William Sam (October 5, 1900-January 28, 1964).

After Lucy's death, Frank was married to Lou Ann Ervin Larkin. Her first husband, John Day Larkin, had been killed in a hunting accident. Their son, also named John Day Larkin, became a noted college professor, writer of college textbooks and labor dispute arbitrator in the Chicago area.

Frank and Lou had a son, Alton Bryan, (September 8, 1906-June 5, 1977). Alton spent his later years in Texas and is buried in Hillcrest Cemetery in Texarkana.

Frank's third wife was a teacher at Francisco School, Nora Alice Armor (June 21, 1885-May 26, 1964). Their children were John Buel (August 14, 1916-July 29, 1952), Howard Claxton (March 1, 1918), Serena Theo (September 2, 1919), Edward Frank (January 30, 1921) and Alice Christine (January 16, 1925). The first four were born while the family lived in Francisco. Christine was born in Winchester, Tennessee after the family moved there in 1923. Claxton and Christine moved back to Winchester after retirement. Theo worked in Washington, D.C., and stayed there after she retired. Edward worked and raised his family in Portage, Indiana, and has stayed there since he retired.

The descendants of Samuel and Eliza Hall and their son Frank are scattered over many states. Often they visit the old home place and the graves in Jackson County. *Submitted by: Christine H. Burbage, 328 Harris Chapel Drive, Winchester, TN 37398.* Source: personal knowledge.

Mary Ellen Pace, Hambrick

If I were a stranger to Ms. Mary Ellen Pace, Hambrick, I might have only noticed the physical appearance of an elderly woman. For instance, she wore her thin gray hair with slight traces of red tints, pulled loosely into a carefully pinned bun at the back of her head. Also, I may have glanced at her unforgettable blue eyes almost hidden underneath the folds of wrinkles and the horn rim glasses resting comfortably on her pointed nose. Moreover, the



Mary Hambrick

stern, solid facial expression portrayed the many years of hardships and victories. As a stranger, it might have been easy to overlook the stocky build and simple attire, but hard to overlook such a proud woman, standing with such stature and composure.

However, I am no stranger to Ms. Mary

Hambrick, I am fortunate to have this admirable citizen for a great-grandmother. Therefore I know her beyond her physical appearance, into her emotions and personality. All her children and grandchildren know, our grandmother can radiate love through those enveloping arms, and she can beam her caring spirit through her sky-blue eyes. She always places others' needs above her own. Her simple dress and hand-knitted sweater show her disregard for material wealth. She has found happiness in the simple things in life such as newly fallen snow, night owls and flowers.

When I was in the tenth grade, I was given the assignment to write an essay on a photograph. Without hesitation, I chose my Great-Grandmother. My English teacher, Ms. Sharp held my paper in her hands, after the other students had received the graded result. I was sure I had misunderstood the task and she wanted to discuss it with me, privately.

As it turned out, Ms. Sharp read my essay to the class, making the following comments at the bottom of my paper: "how touching! Your essay made me cry. What a special person Ms. Mary must be and how fortunate you are to have her! You must let her read this essay." Eight years later, I still have not read her essay, and don't plan to. She is 98 years old, living in a nursing home, now. I do not pride myself in the fact that I visit her less now, Grandmother and I spent hours talking during visits. She is the reason I am a Social Worker today. Submitted by: A Great-Granddaughter who loves her Grandmother

Source: Personal knowledge

The Hamilton Family

Elijah M. Hamilton, the son of William Alfred and Susan Bynum Hamilton, was a farmer and miller, who lived in the Macedonia community. He was born in January 1852 and died June 25,

1916. His wife, Sarah Elizabeth Reynolds, was born October 14, 1856, and died September 16, 1923.

Elijah's father was one of the early settlers on Sand Mountain. John Robert Kennamer in his *History of Jackson County*, published in 1935, documented William Alfred Hamilton as a resident of Section in



Elijah and Sarah Hamilton with children Alta, Arthur, Alfred, Luther, & Martha

1866. He was born April 11, 1818 and died October 22, 1885. His body was laid to rest at the Section Bluff Cemetery. His first wife, Susan Bynum, bore him two children, Henry and Elijah. Henry later moved to Texas to live, while Elijah settled a few miles south of Section in the Macedonia community. Following the death of his first wife, William Alfred Hamilton married Lurinda Tipton (1824-1881). According to the Census of 1870, the children born to this marriage were Sarah, Samuel, Mary Etta, Lucinda, and Alford.

Elijah Hamilton's wife, Sarah Elizabeth, was the daughter of John and Kate Story Reynolds. Her paternal grandparents were Henry and Molly Brown Reynolds. Her maternal grandparents were Thomas and Emily Millican Story. Into their home, located a few miles northeast of the Macedonia crossing, were born nine children: John Alexander, Alice, William Alfred, Alta, Thomas

Oscar, Martha Elizabeth, Arthur Henry, Luther Johnson, and Annie, who died about age four. Elijah and Sarah Elizabeth are buried in the Macedonia Cemetery.

Their oldest son, John Alexander Hamilton (1877-1950), was first married to Bulah Allen (1881-1905). She bore him three children, Vader, Lorena, and William Lester (Bill). His second wife, Esther Haynes (1883-1976), gave birth to seven children. After losing three infant daughters, the Hamiltons raised to adulthood four children, Alvie Ethney, John Alex, Octavia Elizabeth, and Vennie.

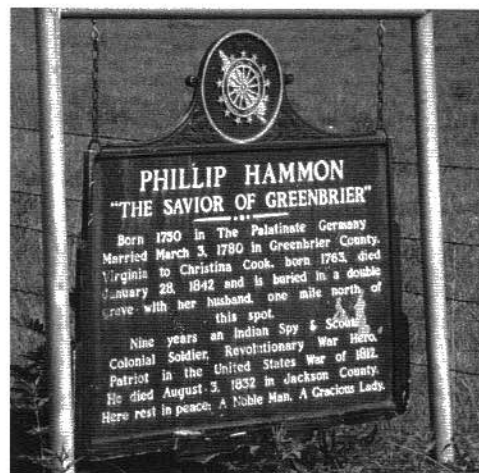
The oldest daughter of Elijah Hamilton, Alice (1879-1962), married Gartrell Stiefel. The twelve children born to Alice and Gart were Lena Leola (Patterson), Rhoda Alta (Black), Lillie Mae (Griffin), Augusta (Gus) Eugene, Wallace Dilmus, Herman Lee (who died at age 4), Lillian Irene (Carter), Annie Lona (McClendon), General Oscar, Allie Manerva (Sargent), Hershel Naymon and an unnamed infant. Gart and Alice Stiefel are buried at the Macedonia Cemetery.

Alta Hamilton (1880-1933) married Charlie Dickerson and had three children, Lee, Agnes (Strawn), and James. She is buried at Macedonia Cemetery. Also buried nearby is her sister, Martha Elizabeth Hamilton (1887-1939), who married a Blackwell. No other information is known about this family. Their brother, Thomas Oscar Hamilton (1886-1959), commonly known as Art, was married to Alice Elizabeth Wilbanks. They lived in Rainsville, Alabama, and are buried at Broadway Cemetery. Their children were Jessie Lois (McKenzie), Mary Lora (Sullivan), Aubrey Vernice, and Martha Zenobia (Fossett). Arthur Henry Hamilton (1889-1912) married Virda Smith who bore him two children, Earnest Earl and Starnes, before his untimely death.

Luther Johnson Hamilton (1893-1971), the youngest son, married Elna Linville (1903-1983) and made their home on Nichols Street in Section. Their children were Mammie (Vaught), Rayford, Mona (Williams), Betty (Bryant), J. Harold, Anita (Ray), Era Gail (Duncan), Patsy (Christian) and Peggy (Faw). Luther and Elna are buried at Section Bluff Cemetery. Submitted by: Mrs. Linda Liles, 1316 Larrydale Drive, Glencoe, AL 35905.

Phillip Hamman

Phillip Hamman was born in 1750 in the Upper Rhineland area of Germany known as the Palatinate. He arrived in Philadelphia, aboard the SS Crawford Ship, Oct. 16, 1772.



Phillip Hamman marker

Phillip fought in the Colonial Wars in Va. Then later, on 10 Oct. 1774 he fought with the 12th Va. Regt. in the Battle of Point Pleasant (W. Va.), which was the first battle of the American Revolution. Phillip was a great Revolutionary War Patriot. Many history books record his acts of unique bravery. He was discharged in 1779, and on March 3, 1780 he wed Christine Cook, daughter of Valentine Cook Sr., in

Greenbrier Co. Va. Their first two children, John and baby — name unknown, were born in Va. By 1783 they went west over the famed Wilderness Trail to Ky., where they settled on 2000 acres in Fayette County which later became a part of Montgomery Co. There they lived some 40 years and raised their large family.

1. John (b-1781-Va.), 2. Baby unnamed, 3. Nancy (b-1783-Ky.), 4. Polly (b-Aug. 1785-Ky.), 5. James (b-1787-Ky.), 6. Elizabeth (b-1790-Ky.), 7. Sallie (b-1792-Ky.), 8. Celia (b-1794-Ky.), 9. William Cook (b-1796-Ky.), 10. Elijah (b-1799-Ky.), 11. Jesse (b-1801-Ky.), 12. Phillip Jr. (b-1801-Ky.), 13. Valentine (b-1802-Ky.). By 1826 they had moved on to Jackson Co. Ala., near Fackler. In 1827 Phillip Hamman was ordained the first pastor of Friendship Baptist Church at Fackler. Again, Phillip settled on a 2000 acre farm shortly after the Cherokee Indians had been removed Westward to the Okla. Territory. Phillip died August 3, 1832 and was

buried on his plantation. Christina died Jan. 28, 1842, while residing with her son, William Cook Hamman, near Valley Head, Ala. She was buried beside Phillip. Over the years, the graves were neglected and all but lost. So the family Assn. decided to move their remains to the Valley Head Cemetery where they could have perpetual care. This was done March 20, 1972.

There is much variety in the spelling of the Hamman name. However, when Phillip signed the oath of allegiance to the Colony of Pennsylvania upon arriving in this country, he signed his name Phillip Hammann. Being of Germanic origin, Hammann was the proper way to spell it.

On September 4, 1971, The Tidence Lance Chapter of the DAR of Scottsboro, Ala. unveiled a marker to Phillip Hamman. It is located on County Highway 42, about 7 miles NW of Fackler, Alabama, and within sight of the Phillip Hamman plantation where he and wife were buried until their remains were re-interred at Valley Head. This beautiful marker reads: "PHILLIP HAMMAN 'The savior of Greenbrier' — born 1750 in the Palatinate Germany — married March 3, 1780 in Greenbrier County, Virginia to Christina Cook, Born 1763, died January 28, 1842 and is buried in a double grave with her husband one mile north of this spot. Nine years an Indian Spy & Scout, Colonial Soldier, Revolutionary War Hero. He died August 3, 1832 in Jackson County. Here rest in peace: A noble man, a Gracious Lady." *Submitted by: Book Committee.*

Source: *The Phillip Hamman Echo* published by the Hamman family assn.

Duke Paul Hammonds

Paul Hammonds was born Oct. 21, 1914 in Jackson Co. Ala. to D.D. and Emma (Johnson) Hammonds. Paul's mother passed away when he was a young child, too young to remember her. She died sometime before the 1920 census. Paul had a brother, Dewey and a sister, Magneolia, who left Alabama as a young woman, the family received a letter from her saying she was getting married, and that was the last they ever heard from her. No one knows if she is alive today or not. Another sister, Dovie Leona, who died young leaving a small child, Billy Joe, who Paul took into his home and raised like a son, and the cousins all to this day feel like he is a brother.



Duke Paul and Willie Mae (Paradise) Hammonds

Paul married Willie Mae Paradise, daughter of Jonce and Sally (Hart) Paradise. They were married April 22, 1935, and lived in the Larkingsville, and Carns area, also lived in Scottsboro, and moved once to Section. Paul retired from farming in the 1960's.

Their children: 1. Earnest Wayne, born 1936, at the age of 19 was home on leave from the army stationed in Ft. McPenson, Atlanta, Ga., was on a picnic with friends at Sunset Park at Section on Sand Mountain, accidentally fell to his death, over a cliff in 1955. 2. Barbara Jane, born 1939 and died 1968 in a tragic train collision leaving three small children to be raised by their grandparents, Paul and Willie Mae. Jane's children: Sherry Lynn who now lives in Portland, Tn. outside of Nashville, has three children and a grandson. Terry Wayne, and Chadwick (Jr.) who has three children and lives in Scottsboro, Ala. Two years after Jane died her mother died of kidney failure, which left Jane's children to be raised by their grandfather, Paul, and aunt and uncles. 3. Bobbie Jonce, born 1941, spent time in England in the United States Marine Corps. He married Betty Hall, and are parents of Angela and Shannon. 4. Jerry Stanly, born 1943 and died on Christmas day 1996. Stanly never married. 5. Brenda Carol born 1946 married Jimmy Cisco and they are the parents to Steven, Stephanie, and Stuart. 6. Gary Paul born 1948 spent a year in Viet Nam, among other places, in the United States Marine Corps. He spent ten years in the service. He met and married Joyce Wilkerson, just out of high school, married almost 30 years, have no children. 7. Anthony Aubury (Tony), born 1955, was also in the United States Marine Corps. Married Jeannie Timmons,

and have two sons, Michael and Jonathan, and a daughter, Amber. Paul died in 1987 and Willie Mae died in 1970. Both are buried at Zions Rest Cem. at Aspel, in Jackson Co. Ala., along with children: Jane, Wayne, and Stanly. *Submitted by: Tony Hammonds, 308 Lisa Lane, Scottsboro, AL 35769.*

Sources: family records



Back L-R - Bobbie, Tony, Gary, Stanly Hammonds, seated Brenda Cisco

Hammons

Memories Of Christmas

When I was a young boy growing up in Sauta Bottom, in Jackson County, my brothers, sisters and I always looked forward to going to Mam and Pap's for Christmas.

We called our grandparents Mam and Pap, the parents of my mother. We didn't have much money during that time, but Christmas was a time filled with love, not the material things, that parents give their kids today. My granny and mama would start baking cakes, pies, and cookies about two weeks before Christmas. Those cakes, and pies were the best tasting us kids ever had. Even though those days are gone they were the best of times for the family was together and the love that was there in that ole house on Kirby Street helped make us into the adults we are today. To see the excitement in a young boys or girls eye, just to get an apple or an orange on Christmas was a sight to behold was what my mom told me. Those memories will always be with me for they are my most precious memories. Which I will always cherish. Even though Mam, Pap, My mom and dad are no longer with us, I can close my eyes and still smell those cakes, pies, and cookies being baked. *Submitted by: Gary P. Hammons, Scottsboro, AL*



Willie Mae Hammonds

Source: memories

Enoch Hammons

Enoch Hammons (November 30, 1821-May 21, 1895) was the son of Elijah (February 1799-August 1869) and Aceneth (Gentry)

Hammons. His parents migrated from South Carolina to Hall, Gwinnett, Walker and finally Chattooga County, Georgia. They raised several children including, Sarah, Enoch, Miles, John, Daniel, Louisa, Elijah Jr., Susan, Richard and Mary.

Enoch married Barbary Cook (January 18, 1828-October 30, 1887), the

daughter of James and Elizabeth Cook, who had moved to Georgia from Anson County, North Carolina in the 1830's, on February 11, 1844 in Chattooga Co. Georgia. There they raised eight children: James Elijah, Aceneth Ann, Mary Elizabeth, Miles Newton,



Enoch Hammons

William Riley, John Franklin, Harris Stiles, and Cornelia James Hammons. The Hammons were mostly farmers, carpenters and mechanics and of the Baptist persuasion. Enoch, who served in Company H of the 39th Georgia Infantry during the Civil War, and several members of the Hammons family moved to the Carnes area of Jackson County, Alabama in the late 1800's.

Miles Newton Hammons (November 29, 1854-June 7, 1923) married Elizabeth (Lizzie or Lydia) Jackson, (April 1857-July 18,

1923), on June 1, 1873 in Chattooga County, Georgia. They had three children prior to moving to Alabama. Their names were Emma, Charles Lonnie and D.D. Miles Newton and Lydia are buried in Bryant Cemetery in Carnes.

Charles Lonnie (Charley) Hammons (October 22, 1877-September 18, 1968) married Sarah Elizabeth (Lizzie) Webb



Seated: Charley and Lizzie, Standing: Clyde, Clifford, Pearl, Dovie Gordon, Shula, Lena 1930's

(October 17, 1877-November 21, 1940) on May 3, 1896 in Jackson County, Alabama. They had eleven children: Lena Mae (February 1897-June 1985) married Laddy Dawson and had Haskell (Hack), O.B. (Speedy), Orey (Tommy), Floyd (Shank), Milburn (Nip), Truman, Maxine (Wallace), Gracine (Bellomy) and Christine (Brandson): Miles Lonnie Hammons (September 1899- February 1956) married Cora McCarver, and had Lawrence, Irene, Rayford, Freda, Grady, Wedsel, Mary, David and Opal: William Latham Hammons (August 1900-November 1900): Thomas Luther Hammons (April 1901-June 1902): Shula Bell Hammons (April 1904-July 1993) married Martin Jackson Bryant, the son of James William and Allie Baker Bryant, and had Fred, Aileen (Hallett), Nadean (Pierce), Gene, Jack and Doug: Fannie Luella Hammons (June 1906- July 1970) married Dennis Edwards and had Embril, Ray and Betty (Kitchens); Jesse Gordon Hammons, born November 1907, married Hettie Parrish and had Johnnie, Viva (Uptain), Glenn and John; Dovie Estell Hammons, born January 1909, married Coffey Wheeler and had one son, Billy; Eva Pearl Hammons, born February 1912, married James Gaines and had no children; Clifford Virgle Hammons (December 1914- August 1975) married Nell Sisk and had one son, Charles; and Clyde Edward Hammons, born March 1917, married Inez Sharp and had Bobbie and Elizabeth.

After Lizzie Hammons death in 1940, Charley married Pearl Inglis on June 18, 1941. When he died in 1969, Charley was buried next to his first wife at the Bryant Cemetery in Carnes. Submitted by: Pearl Hammons Gaines, Chattanooga, TN

Sources: Census, Personal Knowledge

Hammond-Hammons

D.D. Hammond a sister, Emma and a brother, Charlie were just kids when they made the move to Jackson Co. Ala. with their parents, Miles Newton Hammond and wife, Liddy Elizabeth Jackson. They made the trip across Sand Mountain in a covered wagon around 1898. The trip was a long hard one full of hardships. Miles Newton had served in the Civil War in the confederate army and was discharged with disabilities in 1862.

D.D. was born in Chatooga County Ga. in 1883. He married Emma Johnson, the daughter of Duke Johnson and Sarah Coots. D.D. had four children, Dewey, Leona, Magnolia, and Paul, who married Willie Mae Paradise, the daughter of Jonce Paradise and Sallie Hart.

Paul and Willie Mae both born, lived, and died in Jackson County. Their children, Wayne, was in the United States Army. Jane, Bobbie, served time in the United States Marine Corps stationed at one time in England. Stanly, Brenda, Gary Paul, served in United States Marine Corps, and Tony who also served in the United States Marine Corps.

I (Gary) was born June 17, 1948, grew up with a farm life, picking cotton in a pick sack, went to school at Carns, Larkingsville, and Woodville, high school at Scottsboro, finished last year and



D.D. and Emma (Johnson) Hammond

leaving for a tour of duty in Viet Nam. I was there from February 1968 to January 1969.

I spent 10 years in the Marines, stationed at various places as, Viet Nam, Quanico Va., Parris Island South Carolina, Marine Barricks Washington D.C., and Okinawah Japan. I was discharged in 1976 as a S Sgt. with an honorable discharge. I received the following medals: National defense service medal, Combat action ribbon, Vietnamese cross of gallantry w/palm, Vietnamese Campaign medal w/Device, good conduct medal w/2*, rifle marksman Badge.

Joyce and I now reside in Scottsboro, both work for Akzo-Nobel, the former Goodyear plant, I am going on my 20 years. We both enjoy going to flea markets and searching antique shops for a good bargain. Submitted by: Gary Hammons, 2514 Gwen St., Scottsboro, AL 35768

Earnest Wayne Hammonds

Earnest Wayne Hammons born Feb. 2, 1936, the son of Duke Paul Hammons and Willie Mae Paradise, in Jackson Co. Ala. Wayne was on the Ja. Co. WildCats in Scottsboro in 1954. He graduated from High School May 1955, entering the Army in June



Earnest Wayne Hammonds

1955. He did basic training with Co. G. ABN Inf. Regt at Fort Jackson South Carolina. After basic the whole company was to go to Germany. Wayne was stationed at Fort McPherson in Atlanta, Ga. The rest of the company did go to Germany without Wayne. Wayne was home on leave, on a picnic with friends at Sunset Park, at Section, when he lost his footing and fell off the bluff. The fall was fatal to 19 year old Cpl. Wayne Hammonds. Wayne died October 1, 1955 and is buried at Zions Rest Cemetery at Aspel, Jackson County, Alabama.

Wayne's brothers are, Bobbie, Stanly, Gary, and Tony. His sister, Brenda Cisco. Submitted by: Brenda Cisco, Serton, AL
Source: personal knowledge

The Hancock Family of Jackson County, Alabama

The patriarch of the present day Hancocks of Jackson County was Singleton Hancock, who was born in Shenandoah County, Virginia in 1805. Singleton parent's, John and Mary Featheringill Hancock, migrated from Shenandoah County, Virginia to Grainger County, Tennessee. There Singleton married Mary Lindsey Lamb on 9 October 1831. Between 1831 and 1834, Singleton and Mary moved to Jackson County where the first of their nine children

were born. At least one of Singleton's brothers, Edwin, came to Jackson County but stayed only a few years before moving to Missouri. However at least two of Edwin's children were born in Jackson County.

Singleton was descended from early settlers of America. The first of the line, William, came from England in 1620 and was massacred by Indians at Thorpe House in Berkley Hundreds, Virginia in 1622. William's three sons, Augustine b. 1605, William b. 1610, and Simon b. 1615, came to America after their father's death. The Hancock line of Jackson County is descended from William's son, Simon, with the following order: William b. 1648 in Lynn Haven County, Virginia, Samuel b. 1675 in Lower Norfolk County, Virginia, Samuel b. 1701 in Henrico County, Virginia, John b. 1740 in Henrico County, Virginia, John b. 1767 in Shenandoah County, Virginia, and Singleton.

Singleton's children, all of whom were born in Jackson County, were: John (1834), Matilda (1836), William M. (1838), Benjamin F. (1841), Mary (1843), James Wiley (1845), Martha (1848), Francis (1850), and Hiram Delbert (1854). Singleton took sick the 12th day of February, 1887 and died 3 April of that year in Jackson County.

Three of Singleton's sons fought for the Confederacy during the Civil War. William M., Benjamin, and James Wiley enlisted in Company D. of the 34th Tennessee Infantry. In 1863, William M. was captured in Larkinsville and remained as a Prisoner of War in Louisville, Kentucky until his release in March 1865. Little is known of the actions of the two other brothers during or after the war. John did move to Ozark, Arkansas and started his family there. Benjamin moved to Texas with his wife and after 1860 there is no record of Hiram Delbert. In the probate of Singleton's will, 1887, there is no reference made to Hiram, Matilda, or Frances, causing one to think that they had died earlier.

William M. and James Wiley were the major contributors of Hancocks to Jackson County, and their descendants still live and flourish. William M. married twice, first to Malinda Wood and later to Mary Brock. He had 10 children: John W. T., Nancy, Jett, Ada, Dove, Joseph, Young, Braz Singleton, Benjamin F., and Margaret. Most of this segment of the family moved to the eastern portion of Jackson County, around Stevenson, Macedonia, and Section.

James Wiley married Racheal Angeline Scarbrough in 1866 and had 8 children: Miles Lee, Charles William, Julian Houk, Joseph Hiram, Zada, Mae Etta, David Singleton, and George Robert. This portion of the family remained in the Scottsboro area of Jackson County.

The offspring of William M. and James Wiley married with other families who were citizens of Jackson County in early times. Family associations of the Hancocks include: Reed, McKay, Hayes, Rowe, Kennamer, Benson, Patterson, Murry, Phillips, and Kirby.

Until recently, the two Hancock lines believed that there was no relationship between the descendants of William M. and James Wiley. After the Civil War, there was a disagreement between some of their family members, apparently over a dog that was bought or traded for at First Monday. This caused a separation and the refusal of one side to recognize the other. However, research has provided the information linking the families together, prompted discussions between the two families and allowed a very extensive Family History file to be created.

Burial sites of the Hancock family members are primarily located at Goosepond, Macedonia, and Haigwood Cemeteries. There are some members of the family who are unaccounted for, either from moving away or loss of records. *Submitted by: William J. Reed, 3613 Lakewood Dr., Huntsville, AL 35811 and William B. Reed, 154 Sam Thomas Rd., Harvest, AL 35749*

Fred B. And Margie Knight Hancock

Fred B. Hancock married Margie M. Knight on October 3, 1918. Their children were Mary Edythe, Cornelia Mae, Loyce Irene, Dovie Jane and Fred Boyd, Jr.

Fred was a farmer, (in 1915 he picked 501 pounds of cotton in one day), mail carrier, teletype operator, restaurateur and cotton exchange manager. He and his family settled in the Goosepond community where he died August 22, 1955 and is buried at Goosepond Cemetery with Margie, who died April 5, 1970.

Fred's parents were Joe H. and Dovie Hayes Hancock. They settled in the Goosepond community, where he was a farmer and landowner. He donated the land for Temperance Hill School. They are buried at Goosepond Cemetery.

Fred's grandparents were James W. and Rachel Scarborough Hancock, buried at Goosepond Cemetery, and James M. and Martha Toone Hayes, buried at Finney Cemetery. His great-grandparents were William and Margaret Neely Toone, buried at Finney Cemetery, and David and Martha Haney Scarborough, buried at Frazier Cemetery on Goosepond Island (known then as Campground). This cemetery was relocated to Cedar Hill Cemetery when the Revere Plant was built there. His grandparents lived and farmed in areas around Goosepond, Oak Grove, Parks Store, and Larkins Landing. James Hancock also served on the school board for Bullet Ridge School, located near the later Temperance Hill School. William Toone entered service for the Confederacy in 1862. He was captured at Chickamauga, Ga. in the fall of 1863 and remained in prison until the end of the war. He farmed and established a steam grist mill in the Parks Store community in 1890. Oddly enough, his father and a brother reportedly lie buried beneath a house in the Longhollow community that was once used as a stage depot.

David Scarborough served in the Florida Indian War for the Union in 1837 and participated in the Cherokee Removal. The Scarboroughs, as did others in Jackson County, pledged loyalty to the union during the Civil War.

Margie M. Knight's parents were Neely D. and Mary Jane Shipp Knight. Neely farmed, made cabinets and coffins. He settled in the Dry Cove community and established Knights Chapel Church of Christ. He is buried at Cedar Hill Cemetery. His parents were James and Ruth Knight, from North Carolina, who settled in the Big Coon community near Stevenson. It is likely that they are buried in the old Knight Cemetery near there. Mary Jane Shipp Knight was the daughter of Samuel W. and Sarah Grider Shipp, also from Big Coon. Samuel was elected district 2 county commissioner in 1880. Her grandfather, Thomas R. Shipp was born in Ireland, moved to Big Coon from Virginia and later settled in Texas. Mary Jane is buried at Zions Rest Cemetery, near Aspel.

Few of our people would now have been considered prosperous, much less famous. However, throughout the hardest of times they remained honorable, hardworking folks who loved God and were respected in their communities. They were folks of whom we can be very proud. *Submitted by: Fred B. Hancock, Jr.*
Sources: Family Memories, Alabama Census, The Scottsboro Citizen, Jackson County Chronicles, Annie Coleman Proctor Collection, Valley Leaves Volumes.

Lee And Mary Stuart Hancock

James Lee and Mary Stuart Shook Hancock were our parents and to the grand and great grandchildren "Papa and Mimmie". Their ancestors in Jackson County go back to James Wiley McKay born in 1844 and Daniel McNair Martin born in 1800. Their descendants were from Scotland, England and Ireland. A letter was found that states the ancestry of Mary Stuart goes back to the daughter of King Robert Bruce of Scotland.

Lee's maternal great grandfather, James Wiley McKay was the first person buried in Goosepond Cemetery. He was killed by a team of runaway horses. His wife, Mary Isabel Burgress McKay, donated the land for the Goosepond Cumberland Presbyterian Church and Cemetery. The cemetery is not only a family cemetery, as long as there is room, anyone can be buried there at no cost for the burial plot. Donations are given for the up keep of the grounds.

Mary Stuart was born in Martintown and the town was named for her maternal great grandfather, Daniel McNair Martin born in 1800. Her parent's, John Cowan and Allie Martin Shook moved to Goosepond from Martintown and this is where she met Lee. They married in a horse drawn buggy June 8, 1918. Both were members of the Goosepond Cumberland Presbyterian Church and Lee was an Elder for over 50 years.

Lee and Mary Stuart were well known in most of Jackson County. He was a rural mail carrier with his route running from Scottsboro, to the Marshall County line, to Grant Mountain, to Skyline Mountain. He sold the first Singer Sewing Machine in the area. After his retirement from the Post Office he worked for Gladdis Gin Company and worked there for 20 or more years. Lee was a self taught man, only going to the 6th grade. It was told that while working at the "gin" he could figure your cotton before the adding machine could. He was on the Board of Directors for Sand Mountain Telephone Co-Op. and was an active member in the North Alabama Electric Co-Op. He and Mary Stuart had farm land on Goosepond Island where Revere and Norandal are presently located.

Mary Stuart ran the country store and raised four children. She

always found time for her family, neighbors and friends. Their home was located just off the Guntersville Highway 79 so there was always a lot of activity. They had one of the first telephones, an old crank style so if you had an emergency or needed a doctor you came to their house. On most Saturday's you would find Mary Stuart in town like most folks back then. She went to Hammer's to buy sheets, towels, and blankets, just to have on hand if someone's house burned, got married, or was in need, she would have something to give. She always looked for a good buy and she and Mr. Bergman of Brown & Bergman could really make a deal. Which they both enjoyed. During the Korean War a lot of her older neighbors had trouble reading and writing so she would take time to read and write letters to their sons. While growing up Mary Stuart was told by an aunt that she came from "blue blood" and she should always try to better herself and as a result, her favorite saying to her children and grandchildren was "knock your persimmons high, knock your persimmons high". It is not known if we did, but Lee and Mary Stuart's have a bunch of children (4), grandchildren (13), great grandchildren (14) and great great grandchildren (4) to carry on their heritage. They are: Allie Marie Hancock married Sherman Gibbs "Dickie" Mitchell, their children are Pamela Mitchell: Saundra Kay Mitchell married George Scott Harper and their children are Holly Kay & Timothy Scott Harper. Holly married Carlos L. Alberti, and their children are Alexander Storm, Savannah Marie, and Benjamin Scout Alberti: Timothy Harper married Lauren Brock. Jimmy Lee Hancock married Patricia Ann Harless their children are: Jimmy Lee Jr. married Karen Pamela and their children are, Amanda & Emily: Gregory Dale married Deneen Henson and their children are Sydney & Jaxon: Phillip Douglas Hancock and Karen Ann Hancock are not married.

Jack Richard Hancock married Betty Fay Cotton, their children are: Teresa Diane Hancock married John Holder; Terra Dawn Williams is Teresa's daughter by her first husband Jerry Williams Terra is married to David Hancock, they had two children Devon (deceased) and Rylee: Jack Richard Jr. married Lisa Miliner and have a daughter Anna Kyle: Mary Lee Hancock is not married: Bradley Harris married Sonia Hastings.

Birda Ann Hancock married George L. Brakefield, their children are: Amelia Ann Brakefield married Perry Law, their children are Lakin & Sara: George L. Jr. married Julie Lang and Amanda, Madison & Tanner are their children: Kevin Lindsey Brakefield has two children Erica & Nichlos. Lee and Mary Stuart had two other children Billie Burns was still born and Norma Jane died at age three of tetanus. *Submitted by: Marie Mitchell, 3032 Dupree Dr. Huntsville, AL 35801 and Saundra M. Harper, 20275 Al. Hwy. 35 Woodville, AL 35776.*

The Hancocks Of Jackson County, Alabama

Pioneer

Two pioneer families of Jackson County were descendants of John D. Hancock and his wife Elizabeth Maddox of Virginia. His daughter, Nancy, married Jesse Corn and their grandson, William Samuel was an early pioneer of Jackson County, John's son, Lewis was the father of John A., Hancock who came to Jackson County from Virginia in 1824 according to a letter written by a family researcher, Donald S. Dreesen of Albuquerque, NM.

Lewis was born about 1757 and married Celia Duncan December 29, 1778 in Fluvanna County VA. Celia was the widow of Shadrack Oglesby, and the daughter of George Duncan and Mary Hall. She was born about 1754. Lewis died in 1828. Their children were; John Allen, Benjamin, Lewis, William, Major, Nancy, Radie, Elizabeth, Judity, Susannah and Mary. Lewis, was a very prominent citizen as well as a prosperous farmer. He had a plantation of 1,545 acres and 23 slaves.

John Allen was born September 15, 1780 in Franklin Co. VA. John married November 2, 1801 in Franklin Co. to Sarah (Sallie) Ryan. She was born May 9, 1780 in Franklin County, the daughter of William Ryan and Sarah Swanson. He was a lawyer in Jackson Co. as early as 1822. His wife died September 7, 1847 in Jackson Co. and he died January 11, 1855 in the same county. Their graves are in a cotton field on the H.G. Jacobs farm west of Fackler, Ala.

The children of John Allen and Sarah are; Frances, Phoebe, George Duncan, Olivia, John, Celia, Lewis S., Julian Ann, Lucy and William Ryan. The first four were born in Virginia and apparently the last six were born in Jackson Co. Olivia married William Corn November 23, 1831 in Jackson Co. William S. was the son of William Corn and the grandson of Jesse Corn. Jesse was married

to Nancy Hancock, Lewis sister. The history of the Corn family is being submitted separately. William and Oliva's son, Samuel Richard was born June 12, 1842 in Bellefonte Jackson County, Ala. and died February 19, 1920 in Jackson Co.

John Hancock, son of John Allen was the most successful of the children. At age 27 was elected Judge of the Second Judicial District of Texas, of which Fayette Co. was a part. If there were those in Fayette Co. who doubted the wisdom of this selection because of his youth, their doubts were soon dispelled. He opened court one day in May in 1852 in La Grange and announced that no lawyer, witness or juror would be called from the Court house door, they must be on hand or pay a fine. This was the first time that this time-saving rule, now so commonly used in District Courts was announced. He attended the University of Tennessee at Knoxville. In 1847 he began the practice of law in Austin, Texas. He married in November 1855 in Washington County, Texas to Susan E. Richardson, daughter of Edwin Richardson. He served in the Texas House of Representatives in 1860 and 1861 but refused to take the oath of allegiance to the Confederacy. His being a Union man gave him more weight and influence in Congress than he would have had. Therefore it was perhaps best for his State in the long run, for him to have been a Union man all along the line. He went north and remained for the duration of the war. In 1866 he was a member of the Texas State constitutional convention. He served as representative of the U.S. Congress from March 4, 1871 to March 1877 and from March 4, 1883 to March 3, 1885. He died July 19, 1893 in Austin, Texas and is buried in Oakwood Cemetery.

George Duncan Hancock son of John Allan and Sarah Ryan was born in 1809 in Adams Co. Tennessee. He came to Texas from Jackson Co. Ala. in 1836 and served in William Kimbro's San Augustine Co. of the Battle of San Jacinto. He along with Deaf Smith and four others cut Vince's bridge to prevent the retreat of the Mexican Army. He served in the Texas army from March 15, to November 15, 1836. He settled in Bastrop County and later was a merchant in La Grange, TX. He served in the Somervill Expedition in 1841 and in the Mier Expedition. He also represented Travis County in the 11th Texas Legislature. He married in 1855 at Austin to Louisa Lewis, daughter of Col. Ira Randolph Lewis and Eliza Julia Hunt. George died January 9, 1879 and Louisa died in 1909, both are buried in Oakwood Cemetery in Austin. Their only child, Lewis was born in 1856. Lewis received a law degree from Harvard University in 1881. He married in 1883 to Attilian Aldridge Anderson. He was mayor of Austin, Texas from 1897-1898. He died February 11, 1920 in Austin. *Submitted by: Adena White Jones, 506 Bowen, Raymore, MO*

Sources: Census records, Birth and Death Records, Family accounts, Published historical accounts.

John Benjamin Hancock

My great-grandfather, John Benjamin Hancock was born March 22, 1826 at Bellefonte, Jackson County, Alabama. His parents were Field Allen Hancock and Susannah Smith, who migrated from Franklin County, Virginia, where they were married on March 4, 1816.



They joined his brother John Allen Hancock and his wife Sarah "Sally" Ryan, who spent some time living in Smith County, Tennessee, prior to settling in Alabama.

Union Christian Church Cemetery Union, Bastrop, TX

John Benjamin Hancock was one of ten children, the second

eldest of the boys, and the fifth child. The eldest child, Nancy Ann married David Sterne, Frances Emily married Joseph Neil Eustace, his oldest brother Thomas John married Melissa Sanders, Elizabeth C. married Albert C. Jones, John Benjamin married his cousin Sarah Frances Hancock, daughter of William Ryan Hancock and Martha Ayres on January 1, 1851, in Bastrop County, Texas.

I do not have spouses for His brother James, or his sister Harriet F. Martha Smith Hancock married John R. Haynes, Samuel P.

married Elizabeth Grider, Susan C. married Samuel C. Meade, Sarah V. married Thomas Rountree and Mary Sharp Hancock married Robert Jones.

John Benjamin Hancock's father Field Allen Hancock was born in 1793, in Fluvanna County, Virginia, and died November 16, 1875, at Bellefonte Jackson County, Alabama. Field Allen Hancock was a member of the Alabama legislature in 1838-38, 1939-40, 1843-44, 1847-48, and 1855-56. I've also seen a reference to him being a Colonel, which may have been for duty during the Civil War with home troops.

John Benjamin Hancock and at least three of his siblings migrated to Bastrop County, Texas, where they lived out their lives and are buried. My great-grandfather was a farmer, I presume cotton and other labor intensive crops which incorporated the use of slaves.

John Benjamin and Sarah Frances Hancock had ten children, three sons and seven daughters, born while living in Bastrop County, Texas. The children, with two exceptions lived and died in Texas. The second son, James Franklin Hancock, who married Minnie S. Bennett, and the youngest daughter, Annie L. who married Frank C. Deck lived and died in New Mexico. My grandfather, William Allen Hancock was the eldest son. My grandmother, Sarah Elizabeth Burkett, was his third wife. Each wife died leaving young children.

After the Civil War John Benjamin and Sarah Frances Hancock moved to the San Marcos area in Hays County, Texas.

John Benjamin Hancock died October 21, 1873, in Bastrop County, Texas, and is buried in the Union Christian Church Cemetery, Upton, Bastrop County, Texas, on the south side of the Colorado River on what once was a part of the Hancock property. Submitted by: John Hancock, Box 1021 313/668-7916, Ann Arbor MI 48106-1021

My Story Jimmy Lee Hancock

I was born in Goosepond Community and attended school at Temperance Hill. I had to walk to school. When I went to Jackson County High School I was picked up in front of my home and carried to school in a big yellow bus. I graduated in 1948 and believe that I was the only senior who got out of school to go vote. Some of the jobs I held in my youth were at Ritz Theater, Keeble Grocery, Reids Drugs, Gladish Gin, Boykin Motors, and as a part-time mail carrier on Route 1 Scottsboro.



James Lee and Mary S. Hancock

There seemed to be 30 mail boxes in front of the Rock Store on Skyline Mountain. I loved to stop at Mrs. Sparkmans' garden mail box. She and her daughter would occasionally meet me at the mail box with cakes and flowers for my mother.

Another one of my jobs was as a disk jockey for WROS Radio in Scottsboro. Many girls would talk to me and send me post cards. One of those girls was Ann Harless of Gurley whom I later married. Eventually I applied for a radio dispatcher job with the state of Alabama, was hired and worked in that capacity for 27 years prior to retiring.

My father, James Lee Hancock, was born in Collinsville, Texas in 1894. My grandfather was Charles William Hancock. His father was James Wiley Hancock. My grandmother was Richie A. McKay Hancock.

My mother, Mary Stuart Shook Hancock, was born in Martin Town. Her father, John Cowan Shook hailed from Franklin County, Tennessee. My mother's mother was Allie Martin Shook, who's father was William B. Martin. My father's sister, Veda Hancock Steeley lives in Scottsboro.

The Shook family moved to the Goosepond area where my parents met at the Goosepond Cumberland Presbyterian Church. After their marriage they had 6 children: Billie Burns Hancock who died at birth, Norma Jane Hancock died when she was about

3 years old. The remaining four children are: Marie Hancock Mitchell; Jimmy Lee Hancock and his wife Ann Harless Hancock; Jack Richard Hancock and his wife Betty Faye Cotton Hancock; and Birda Anne Hancock Brakefield and her husband George Leon Brakefield. All of the children currently live in Huntsville, Alabama, with the exception of our brother Jack who still lives in Scottsboro, Alabama.

My wife Ann and I have been married 42 years. Ann Harless Hancock is the daughter of the late W.H. Harless of Gurley and Lela Hall Harless of Huntsville. Ann Hancock's sister Nancy Harless Stephens lives in Gurley with her husband Garland E. Stephens Jr.

Ann and I have four adult children and four grandchildren. Our children are: Jimmy Lee Hancock, Jr. who married Karen Leigh Panella. Their children are Amanda Leigh Hancock and Emily Quinn Hancock.

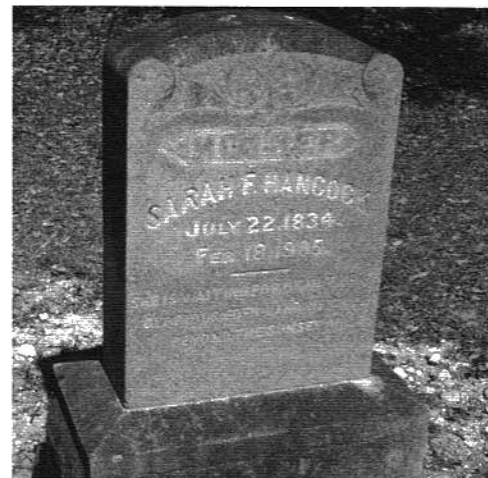
Gregory Dale Hancock married Danean Henson Hancock. Their children are Sydney Marquetta and Jaxon Stuart Hancock.

Our son Philip Douglas Hancock and our daughter Karen Ann Hancock are not married. Submitted by: Jimmy Lee Hancock, 2121 Seyforth Drive NE, Huntsville, AL 35811-2045

Sarah Frances Hancock

My great-grandmother, Sarah Frances Hancock was born July 22, 1834, at Bellfonte, Jackson County, Alabama. Her parents were William Ryan Hancock, who was named after his maternal grandfather, and

Martha Ayres. William Ryan Hancock was born in 1807, Franklin County, Virginia, and migrated from Franklin County, and Smith County, Tennessee with his parents John Allen Hancock and Sarah "Sally" Ryan, daughter of William Ryan and Sarah Swanson. John Allen Hancock was an attorney in Jackson County, Alabama. Martha Ayres' father was Samuel Ayres, a Revolutionary War Veteran Sergeant with the famous General Daniel Morgan's Riflemen.



Live Oak Cemetery

Two of Sarah Frances Hancock's father's brothers were important segments of early Austin, Texas. His younger brother George Duncan Hancock was a merchant at Georgetown and then Austin, and a major land owner in Austin. George Duncan's son Lewis E. was Mayor of Austin. Another brother was "Judge" John Hancock, who was voted out of the Texas legislature for failing to support the secession. He was an important individual in the period after the Civil War helping put the "pieces back together." He also served several sessions in the U. S. Congress.

Sarah Frances Hancock was the third of five children, and the second daughter. Sarah Frances married her cousin John Benjamin Hancock, on January 1, 1851, in Bastrop County, Texas.

Sarah Frances and John Benjamin Hancock had ten children, three sons and seven daughters, born while living in Bastrop County, Texas. The children, with two exceptions lived and died in Texas. The second son, James Franklin Hancock, who married Minnie S. Bennett, and the youngest daughter, Annie L. who married Frank C. Deck lived and died in New Mexico. My grandfather, William Allen Hancock was the eldest son. My grandmother, Sarah Elizabeth Burkett, was his third wife. Each wife died early in life leaving young children.

Sarah Frances Hancock's oldest brother, John Henry Hancock, born June 4, 1826, at Bellfonte was married in Texas, after the family migrated to Bastrop County, Texas in 1837. Her older sister Mary Jane "Marge" married P. F. McMahan, her two younger brothers' William Lewis, born June 1839, Bastrop County, Texas, and James W., born March 13, 1842 Bastrop County, Texas, also lived, married and died in Texas. The two younger brothers served

in the Union Army, during the Civil War, and were stationed in Texas.

Sarah Frances' husband John Benjamin Hancock served as a Senior Second Lieutenant in Company D, 12th Texas Cavalry of the Confederate Army's Mounted Volunteers. Thus, the family allegiance must have been sorely and thoroughly tested for the balance of all their lives.

Sarah Frances Hancock died February 25, 1905, at Buda, Hays County, Texas. She is buried in Live Oak Cemetery in the southernmost tip of Travis County, Texas, which is about fifty miles from her husband's grave. *Submitted by: John Hancock, Box 1021 313/668-7916, Ann Arbor, MI 48106-1021*

Alexander Richard Harbin and Mary Jane Odom

Alexander Richard Harbin and Mary Jane Odom Harbin left their home in Kelso, Jackson County, Tennessee and settled in Trenton, Jackson County, Alabama around 1890. Alex, the son of James Harbin and Nancy C. Walker Harbin, was born 10 March 1849 in Kelso and died at his home in Trenton 20 September 1928. Mary, the daughter of Abraham and Elizabeth Odom, was born 13 September 1844 in Kelso and died 2 February 1929 at the home of her son, John, in Elora, Lincoln County, Tennessee. Alex and Mary married 13 April 1871 in Lincoln County, Tennessee and were buried beside each other in the Trenton Cemetery.

Alex owned and operated a blacksmith shop for about twenty-five years in Trenton and was called "Uncle Alex" by his many customers and friends. Alex and Mary's five children, John, William, George, Mack, and Bessie, were all born in Kelso.

John Campbell Harbin (6 November 1872-7 December 1951), was a blacksmith, like his father. John married Eliza Ann Turner 5 September 1890 in Madison County, Alabama. She was the daughter of John Turner and Alice Kilpatrick Turner. John and Eliza Harbin reared six children: Leonard Morgan Harbin Sr.; Alda Harbin Ricketts Gulley; Charles Mack Harbin Sr.; John Samuel Harbin; Mary Syble Harbin Sanders Limbaugh; and Alexander D. Harbin. All the children were in employed in the cotton mills in Huntsville and were buried in Maple Hill Cemetery. John and Eliza were buried at Maple Hill.

William Alexander Harbin (1875-22 September 1887), was buried in Kelso Cemetery.

Polk Mack Harbin Sr. (12 February 1877-18 January 1931), was a farmer in Trenton. He married a Jackson County native, Cora Elizabeth Williams (1 September 1881-18 July 1925) in Jackson County 11 February 1896. They reared a family of eleven children: John William Harbin; Floyd Grant Harbin; Lawson C. Harbin; Mary Mabel Harbin Brewer; Flora Belle Harbin Carden; Lester McGee "Red" Harbin; Ola Mae Harbin Frazier Goodson Crider; Lambert Moore Miller; Ruby Lorena Harbin; Daniel Elic Harbin; Harold Harvey Harbin Sr.; and Polk Mack Harbin Jr. Cora and Mack were buried in Trenton Cemetery.

George D. Harbin was born May 1880, died young, and was buried in Kelso Cemetery.

Nancy Elizabeth "Bessie" Harbin (9 May 1883-10 November 1970) married William Marion Parton (12 March 1877-3 September 1965) in Trenton 28 February 1901. Marion, a farmer, was born in Franklin County, Tennessee to Stephen Banister Parton (1849-1911) and Mary Jane Williamson Parton (1855-1913). Bessie and Marion lived in Trenton and Paint Rock. They were buried in Trenton Cemetery. They reared a family of ten children: Stephen "Stevie" Banister Parton (1902-1979); Leona Parton (1904-1907); Horace Parton (1906-1970); Bertha Parton Hall (1909-); Pansy Parton Cornelison (1911-); Delphia Parton Skelton (1913-1988); Ollie Alexander Parton (1916-); J. C. Parton (1918-1945); Annie Mae Parton Wilbourn (1921-); and Earline Parton Kay Pockrus (1924-). *Submitted by: Diane Hughey Sullivan, 512 West Wood Street, Paris, TN 38242, and Bertha Parton Hall, Post Office Box 606, Scottsboro, AL 35768.*

Sources: Marriage, census, and cemetery records, obituaries, interviews

Harbin

My father, George Washington Harbin was born February 1889 in Kelso, Tn. He died April 1944 and is buried at Rice Cemetery in New Market, Al. My paternal grandparents were William Harbin and Mollie Gray Harbin of Lincoln County, Tn.

My father and mother, Nancy Elizabeth (Nannie) Davis Harbin were married in Trenton 17 November 1911. They were the parents of ten children, Willie Sue 1914-1960, Thomas Howard 1915, Mollie Bea 1918-1990, Grover 1920-1981, James Morgan 1923-1983, Clarence Leroy 1928, Carl Edward 1930-1996, Geraldine 1936, and Evelyn Harbin 1904. One child, Junior Harbin born 1935 died in infancy.

My mother, Nancy Elizabeth (Nannie) Davis Harbin was born 16 February, 1895 in Paint Rock Valley. She died 11 November 1969 and is buried beside her mother at Smith Cemetery in Paint Rock Valley. My mother was the eldest of nine children.

My maternal grandparents, Thomas (Tom) Davis and Ada Ann Wilbourn Davis were married in Trenton 4 April, 1894. Grandpa Thomas (Tom) Davis was born December 1865 and died 19 February 1948. He is buried in the edge of a cemetery on his farm. Tom was the son of Patrick H. Davis, a confederate war soldier, and his first wife, Viney Marsh. Patrick and Viney lived on Gunter's Mountain in Guntersville, AL. Our Davis family line is said to be of Cherokee Indian ancestry, however, it is not documented.

Granny Ada Ann Wilbourn Davis was born 17 June 1875 and died 17 December 1959. She is buried at Smith Cemetery in Paint Rock Valley. Ada Ann Wilbourn Davis was the eldest daughter of William A. Wilbourn born 1853 in Lincoln County, TN. and Margaret Kirkpatrick Wilbourn born 1849 in Paint Rock Valley.

My grandparents, Tom and Ada Davis lived out their lives in a log cabin across the river from Walker's Mill in Paint Rock Valley. Their children were Nancy Elizabeth (Nannie), William Vann, Mary Alice, Margaret Leana, Thomas Frances, Either Roosevelt, Jesse Florence, Lawson Lee and W. T. Davis.

I remember my mom telling of how hard she and her sisters had to work while growing up. They helped with plowing, felling and cutting trees, clearing the land, planting and harvesting crops. I don't remember much family history from Granny Ada. As I recall, Granny Ada was always working, with little time for talking.

I often picture in my mind, Granny Ada in the kitchen with biscuits mixed in a large wooden bowl and baked in a wood burning cook stove. The best leftovers I ever tasted came from the top warmer of that cook stove. Sometimes Granny would send us children up the mountain side where she kept milk stored in a cool deep cave. While drawing the milk can up from the cave we might find a snake coiled on top of the milk can lid. Scary, but not unusual.

The most terrifying experience I remember concerning Granny Ada, was the time she became very sick and had to be taken to a hospital. Paint Rock River was flooded. The river separated their cabin from the highway. Granny was placed on a small bed and into a flat bottom boat at the cabin and was unloaded beside the highway at Walker's Lane. I cannot describe the water that surrounded us. It was almost dark and the boat was very small. This particular boat ride occurred more than half-a-century ago. It instilled in me a fear of boats and water that still exist today.

While we lived at Saute Bottom near Gurley, I was fortunate enough to spend several visits with my mother's sister, Aunt Frances and her husband Zanie Gibson and their children in Paint Rock Valley. Among my best of childhood memories were when we cousins spent time together. While walking to see a movie at the school house in Trenton, we could hear mountain lions wailing in the mountains. It would scare me, my cousins just laughed. Times we spent half the day swinging from vines growing from the tree's, or exploring caves. Once, cousin Sara decided I was old enough to ride one of the farm horses. She didn't tell me it was blind in one eye and might slip and fall, I learned the hard way. Rainy days were fun, too. Aunt Frances would show Sara and I, how to bake tea cookies, or try and teach us how to cut and sew dresses made from flour sacks.

At times the valley would flood, the "Blue Goose" bus, as it was called, could not travel. One one visit I was to ride "Blue Goose" home. Uncle Zanie who lived at Guess's Creek at the time, drove me to Trenton to catch the bus. Because of flood waters, "Blue Goose" did not run. On the way back to Uncle's home, an older gentleman was riding in the back of the wagon. Flood waters were midway of the wagon wheel spokes. The man jumped off the wagon and started running down the middle of the road, flinging his arms down into the flood waters, it wasn't until I saw the fish he caught with his bare hands in the middle of the highway that I understood what had happened.

My parents and all my elder relatives have since passed away. Few ties are left with the valley. Yet, when I hear Mom's favorite spiritual songs, Lily of the Valley or When the Roll is Called Up

I reminisce over welcome memories of my relatives, family friends and time spent in Paint Rock Valley. *Submitted by: Geraldine Harbin Maroney, 952 Ford Chapel Road, Harvest, AL 35749*
Sources: Family Bible; Family records; Military records, State Archives; Lineage Book "Kirkpatrick"; Lineage book "The Long Gray Line".

George Thomas And Sarah Louise (Guffey) Hastings

Pioneer

George Thomas and Sarah Louisa (Guffey) Hastings were married in 1882. They were both born at Section, in Jackson County. George Thomas was born February 13, 1856, Sarah Louisa, February 3, 1866. After living ten years at Section, they moved to Aspel to homestead a farm on the point of Gunters Mountain. That area became known as Hastings Point in 1882.

George Thomas and Sarah Louisa lived there a few years, then bought a farm in the valley, about a mile from where the post office was located. The two of them lived there until George died February 17, 1913. Later my grandmother sold the farm to Joe and Cal Leach. Grandmother Sarah Louisa died, December 27, 1942.

Their children were Della, born October 19, 1883, D.?, married Riley Baker, Callie, was born March 5, 1885, Married Samuel Marion Sparkman, Bridgeport, Al., James Oscar, born September 21, 1886, died June 9, 1963, was married to Vina McCarey (1), Effie Davis Pritchett (2) Sye Ephriam, born February 13, 1888, died March 26, 1959, Married Nora Alice Knight, born June

28, 1909. Robert Hastings, born, January 29, 1889, died May 19, 1908, Maggie Hastings, born, May 26, 1895, married Eli Willmon, Bertie, born, February 27, 1902, married Lawson Reed, divorced-no children, married second, Lonnie McCullough.

My grandmothers father, my Great grandfather, was Ephriam Barry Guffey, owned a farm at Section. Her brothers were B. (Barry?) Guffey who moved to Arkansas as a young man, lived and died there. I saw him once, when he visited Grandma Hastings. Another was Sye Guffey.

Sye lived and died on Gunters Mountain. He was married 3 times, and fathered 22 children. The third was Ephriam Guffey, who was born in 1868 and died in 1915, he was married to Betty Willmon. They are buried at New Prospect Cemetery, on Gunters Mountain.

Grandma's sisters were, Serena Willmon, who lived and died in Malvern, Arkansas, Hester (no record), Elsie, (no record), Lillie Mae, (no record), Babe, (no record), and Almedia-married Jim Lemons of Gunters Mountain. I saw her baptized into the Church of Christ by Midas Roberts, at Kelly's Chapel on Gunters Mountain.

My father, Sye Ephriam was the second eldest son of George Thomas and Sarah Louisa Hastings. He and my mother, Nora Alice Knight, of Harrison, Tennessee were married in 1909. They lived briefly in Tennessee but moved back to Jackson County, Alabama. They bought the Jeremiah Brown farm, located mid-way between Limrock and Aspel in 1910.

Mother and father built their home from lumber shipped from Williams and Vois Lumber Company in Chattanooga, Tennessee, for \$15.00, per thousand feet, (about slab price, today.) This is



George Thomas Hastings (1910)



Sarah Louisa Guffey Hastings (1910)

where I was born, February 23, 1921. All my siblings were born here, except the oldest. The house is still standing, my youngest son, Donald Hastings is renovating it, now for his home.

I married Ruby Jane Wallingsford of Limrock, born June 10, 1922, daughter of George Andrew Sr. and Fannie Francis (Pendergrass) Wallingsford. We married October 26, 1946. The two of us reared two sons, Stanley Bruce and Donald, born 9/11/1947 ... and 7/19/1951, respectively.

Ruby and I built our home on the farm in 1949. Our son Donald and I both live on the farm purchased by my parents in 1910, at this writing. My siblings are ... 1. Pearl Hastings born July 14, 1910 who married Grady Whitaker, born 1907, died 1979. Pearl died March 14, 1977. (2.) Archie Hastings, born April 5, 1913, died November 26, 1994. Archie married Billie Hulse, born December 23, 1918. (3.) Myrtle Hastings, born August 9, 1914, died July 4, 1996, married Cletis Shelton, born 1912 died September 12, 1980. *Submitted by: Gentry Hastings County Rd. 11, Scottsboro, AL 35768*
Sources: Family Records, Personal Knowledge

Charles Glenn and Mary Lou (Brown) Haynes Family

Mary (Brown) Haynes was the eleventh child of John Greenville Brown and Ada Florella Ragsdale Brown. She was born 6/25/25 in Dekalb Co., AL. Her father moved the family to Rome in the fall of 1928 after his crop was harvested.

Reflecting on her family's life, Mary notes: "I remember the closeness we shared as a family. We knew many hard times, but shared a lot of love for one another. Papa and Mama taught us about God and the importance of prayer. These lessons have stayed with me throughout my life and carried me through many difficult times. Even though we are grown now, all of us children who are still living remain close to one another. We are also close with our many nieces and nephews."

Mary lived for a while in Macon, GA. This was during the war time. She and

her sister Nellie shared a room there and worked at Warner Robbins. Some of her favorite memories are about all the fun and many good times they had together.

In February 1963 Mary married Charles Glenn Haynes and they reside in St. Petersburg, FL. Charles served in the armed forces during World War II. He is now retired and active in the Masons Organization.

Contemplating her life, Mary states: "I love thinking of the days past and of all the things I enjoyed in my childhood. I remember all the old places we lived in. Some of those houses only had two rooms and needless to say, with ten children, things could get a little cramped. I remember Mama making a big pan of biscuits and gravy for breakfast and my Papa hitching up the horses and heading for the fields. I remember Mama canning and making jelly. Such simple precious memories. I remember playing with my brothers and sisters and how we would all laugh and play jokes on one another. My brothers, especially Donnie and Pat were always teasing us. My sisters Inez and Anne Faye and I were always close because we these were only one year apart in our ages with Inez being the baby of the group."



Gentry Hastings, about age 3, (1924)



(L to R): Mary Lou (Brown) and Charles Glenn Haynes

"I remember the family going to church. There we learned the lessons of God; the lessons we watched our Mama and Papa live by day to day. Our family had five boys in the service of our country at one time. All five came home safe and sound. I remember Mama and Papa prayed for them every night. I remember a lot of things, but mostly I remember the love in our home. Such memories will never be erased by time or trials." *Submitted by: Mary Lou (Brown) Haynes, 2625 48th Avenue N., St. Petersburg, FL 33714*

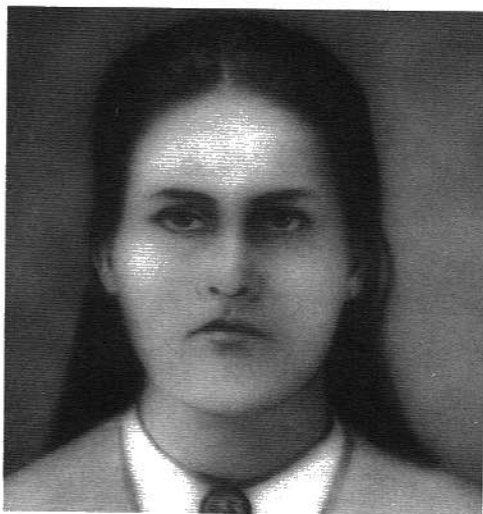
Haynes Family Of Macedonia Community Have Rich Heritage

Written by: Marjorie Haynes Varner

My father was Daniel Ervin Haynes and my mother was Vader Viola Hamilton Haynes. Most people called Daddy, Erve or D.E., and most people called Mama, Vader. Daniel Ervin Haynes was born on March 5, 1899 right before the turn of the century. Vader Viola Hamilton was born a little over two years later on October 18, 1901.

Daniel Ervin Haynes and Vader Viola Hamilton Haynes have a rich heritage that goes all the way back to the Indians and George Washington. Daddy's grandfather and his family came to Macedonia from Randolph County before Daddy was born. They came to Sand Mountain by covered wagon and the trip was long and hard in those days. His grandmother gave birth to one of his aunts during this journey. They settled near the Macedonia community on Sand Mountain. Not much else is known about his past family history. Daddy's mother died when he was very young. His father, Samuel Haynes, had tuberculosis when Daddy was seven years old. He and his brothers and sisters took turns staying out of school to take care of their father. But at age nine, his father passed away and left the children without a parent at home.

Mama's family came to Sand Mountain and the Macedonia area in the 1800s'. Her grandmother Hamilton was Sarah Elizabeth Reynolds Hamilton, who was a full-blooded Cherokee Indian.



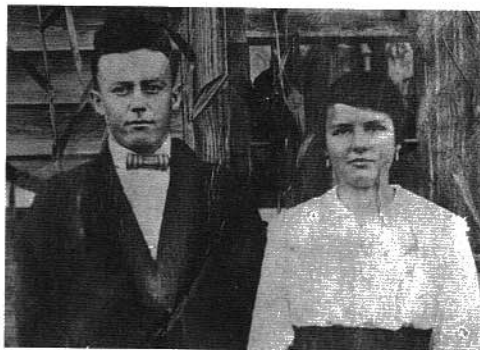
Sarah Elizabeth Reynolds Hamilton Full Blooded Cherokee Indian Marjorie Haynes Varner's Great Grandmother (Vader Haynes Grandmother)

Sarah was born approximately 1858 and died at the age of 65. Mama's mother was an Allen. Her grandfather Allen could trace his family line all the way back to George Washington.

Around 1916, Daddy went to work for Mama's father, John Hamilton. Sometime later he and Mama met, and within a year they were married. The date was July 14, 1918. Daddy was 19 years old and Mama was 16 years old. They started their married life in a three-room house

that my grandfather Hamilton owned. They had seven children over the next 17 years. In 1935, they rented a five-room house with a large barn and acres of farmland, from mama's cousin, Marvin Campbell. He had bought the Skelton homeplace and farm near Macedonia, and rented it to Daddy and let him set up farming on the land that surrounded the house. This would be their home for the next 43 years. Over the next eight years three more children would be born, giving a total of ten children. From the oldest to the youngest my brothers and sisters are; Edward, Sid, Wilfur, Mauvee, me, Lester (who was called Doc), Ruth, Dan, Pallie, and Doug.

In the spring of 1936, Daddy put out his first crops. This along with cows, hogs, chickens, fruit trees, grape vines, nut trees, and a garden would provide all his family's needs. In the spring and summer he worked the crops, and in the fall he worked at Marvin Campbell's gin located 2½ miles away at Macedonia crossroads, while Mama and we children got in the crops. He walked the distance to and from work no matter what the weather was. I remember him getting home at night after dark, sometimes as late as ten



Erve and Vader Haynes 1 month after wedding August 1918.

o'clock, walking home after working a 12 or 14 hour day. Daddy did this cycle of working the crops and at the gin in the fall for the next 25 years. Daddy had our corn meal ground up from corn that he raised. We raised peanuts and harvested them by pulling them up and letting them dry and then picking them off

the vines after they dried. Daddy also raised sorghum cane to make us syrup. All these things provided well for our large family, even during the depression years.

Mama did all the cooking, sewing, and housekeeping. She was an excellent cook and we never missed a meal - even during the depression years. Daddy and mama always raised a big garden, and mama saw to it that all the food was preserved by canning or drying, and stored for the long winter months. We had a small building called a "fruit house" that all the canned goods were stored in. We also had a "smoke house" where we cured hams and stored fresh beef and pork. She sewed almost all of the girls clothes, and a lot of the boys' clothes. Most of the material came from bleached fertilizer sacks, empty flour sacks, and feed sacks. But sometimes for a special outfit, she might buy some material from the peddler, the rolling store that came by the house. Mama was always a very neat and clean person. She always made sure our clothes and house were clean. She did her best to see that her children were always neat and clean. She would make lye soap for washing and cleaning. Mama also pieced and quilted quilts for our beds using whatever leftover or scrap material she had left from making our clothes. People swept their yards in those days instead of mowing, and Mama kept our yard swept with brooms she made from sassafras trees. She swept the house with brush brooms she made from broom corn which Daddy raised.

We children had lots of chores also. There was all kinds of jobs for both boys and girls growing up on a farm. The girls helped mama with all the work around the house; house cleaning, cooking, sewing, gardening, canning, etc. The boys helped daddy out on the farm; planting, plowing, taking care of the livestock, milking, fencing, etc. But when cotton pickin' time came, you could find all of us in the fields with pick sacks picking cotton. Cotton was very important to the family. The sale of the cotton brought in one of



The Haynes Family at a family gathering are, front, from left: great-great-great-great (of present generation) grandmother Haynes, Ervin's grandfather, Clinton Haynes, an uncle, Rhodie Haynes (Ervin's grandmother), Dorie Haynes, Callie Haynes (Ervin's aunt) Carrie Haynes, Minolie Haynes, and Samuel Haynes (Ervin's father). In back, from left are: Beulah Haynes, Esther (Mrs. Haynes' stepmother), Rhoda Haynes (named for mother), Georgann Haynes, Mark, Evan, Newt and Lom Haynes. There were 14 children in the Haynes family when they settled near Macedonia. Taken in the late 1800s

the family's only source of income. And the cotton seeds from the cotton feed the cattle. All this was very hard work, but it was a simple, humble life that made you appreciate all the food and things you had. It made you feel good down in your soul because you were close to the land and close to the Lord. You could go to bed at night and rest well because your body was tired from the day's work. As the Bible says, "the sleep of a working man is good".

In those days there were no tv's or radios or air conditioners. Most of the nights during the spring, summer, and early fall were spent out on the big front porch that ran the full length of the house. On nights that were not too cool, one of the things that Daddy liked to do was turn a straight back chair upside down and lay out on the porch. There he would listen to the whippoorwills in the woods behind the pasture or bordering the corn or cotton fields, listen to a hoot owl off in the woods, listen to some dogs bark off in the distance, listen to the cows mooing off in the pasture, watch the weather off in the distance if there was lightning in the distance, hum or sang a hymn after having a dip of Garrett's snuff, and just feel the peaceful rest from a hard day's work. As a matter of fact daddy seemed to be always humming a tune, whether he was at work or at rest. That is a special memory that I have of long ago that was very peaceful and soothing. As a child, when everything was quiet at night and I could hear Daddy humming a tune, I would feel peaceful, safe and secure and think that everything was going to be all right.

In the winter, the most enjoyable form of entertainment was sitting around the fireplace and listening to the Grand Ole Opry from Nashville on WSM on a battery radio. This was really the only form of musical and comedy entertainment we had in those days. It seemed really something to hear music being played live 150 miles away. Also during the winter, we children had to get our homework for school. I remember many nights sitting around a coal oil lamp studying and doing my homework, and a lot of times it was cold in the house. We barely could see using those lamps, but at the time we thought it was just fine since we had no electricity and that was the only light we had at night.

One of the most important things to Daddy and Mama was going to church and worshiping the Lord. They had a deep faith in God and knew their life was totally dependent on the Lord's blessings. Every Sunday morning the whole family would be up early preparing to go to church. There was no excuses about not going to church, the whole family was expected to go. Daddy carried his family to church every Sunday in a horse drawn wagon until he finally purchased a Model T Ford. Daddy and Mama both belonged to the Macedonia Primitive Baptist church. Many Sunday mornings we would carry dinner to church, and after singing and preaching, most of the women in the congregation brought dinner, and they would spread out all their food on the tables outside and dinner would be served.

During World War II, our faith played a very important role in our lives. Three of my brothers were in the service during the war, Edward, Sid, and Wilfur. Sid and Wilfur spent time overseas during the war. Sid was in Europe, and Wilfur was in the Philippines. Wilfur operated an anti-aircraft gun and actually saw action and won a purple heart. I remember Sid telling about a storm that occurred while he was crossing the Atlantic Ocean on a ship going to England. He told about waves so big that the ship would at one minute be down in a valley looking up at what looked like mountains of water higher than the ship on all sides, and then the next minute the ship would be on top of that mountain of water looking back down in the valleys below. Our family did a lot of praying for my brothers during that time, and the Lord brought them all safely back home and without even any injuries. We were all relieved and thankful when they all got back home to Macedonia after seeing a big part of the world.

By 1960, all of us kids had married and moved away except Doug. Edward married Irene Brodgen, Sid married Cleo Brodgen, Wilfur married Epsie Potter, Mauvee married Jim Presley, I married Clyde "Uncle Josh" Varner, Doc married Elizabeth Bradford, Ruth married Gilbert Hancock, Dan married Joyce Burgess, and Pallie married Jim Nix. We gave Daddy and Mama a total of 39 grandchildren. They lived long enough to know them all and many of their great grandchildren.

Eventually Daddy and Mama remodeled the inside of their house, and around 1970 they had indoor plumbing put in. But the home remained a solid secure haven for all the children and grandchildren to gather. Daddy and Mama celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in 1968, and then their 60th wedding



Erve and Vader Haynes & their 10 children on their 50th Wedding Anniversary July 1968 Left to Right: Edward, Sid, Wilfur, Mauvee, Marjorie, Vader, Erve, Doc, Ruth, Dan, Pallie, and Doug.

anniversary in 1978. That would be their last anniversary together on this earth.

Mama passed away peacefully in December 1978 at age 77. She was sitting in her recliner where she had sewed so many of her children and grandchildren sofa pillows, quilts, and things. It seemed that she had just fallen asleep. Daddy and Doug moved out of the house shortly after Mama passed away. Daddy just couldn't stand to bear being there alone without Mama after all the things they had been through over the past 43 years. He moved in with Ruth and her family about a mile away. There he lived until he passed away in 1987 at age 88.

These are just some of the special memories I have of growing up out in the country with Daddy and Mama on the farm. Compared to today's standards we grew up in hard times. Life was simple then, but we had problems just like we have today. But somehow everything just seemed better back then. There was no confusion on what was right or wrong. The Bible was used as the moral standard without question. Most people believed firmly in hard work, living good, and serving the Lord. Hard work, prayer, and blessings from the Lord helped us through those hard times. Somehow I can't help believe, if we could go back to those days when an old man lay out on the front porch and hummed a hymn after a hard day's work, and felt peace and contentment in the midst of all the pressures and responsibilities he had in raising a family with ten children — that this would be a better world to live in. *Submitted by: Marjorie Haynes Varner, Rt 1 Box 44, Section, AL 35769*

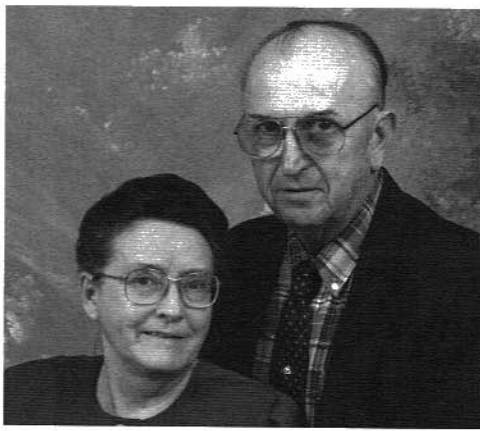
James Lemuel Helms Family

James Lemuel Helms, son of William Marvin "Goodbuddy" and Cora Kennedy Helms of Pleasant Groves, was born in 1928 in Union Grove. James Lemuel married Gladys Evelyn Hall, daughter of James Price and Alma Hall in 1947. James and Gladys Helms were married by Judge Wyatt Stewart in Scottsboro at the Jackson County Courthouse. James and Gladys have lived in Huntsville, on Sand Mountain, in Avon-Park, Florida, and Sheffield. They raised their children and are enjoying their grandchildren on their large farm in the community of Pleasant Groves.

James, a mechanic by trade, owned and operated his own business in Huntsville, just-off Jordan Lane for thirteen and a half years. Prior to retirement, he worked at the Chrysler Motor Company in Scottsboro as a service manager for eight years. Gladys has worked alongside her husband in addition to raising their four children and making their home. James and Gladys have truck farmed, selling their fruit and vegetables at both the Huntsville and Scottsboro Farmer's Markets. Since their retirement James and Gladys enjoy gardening, church, fishing, family and friends. Their children are as follows.

Steve William Helms was born in 1948 at Pleasant Groves. Steve married Nancy Louise Collins of Woodville in 1969. They have two sons Christopher Steve born in 1973 and Scott Douglas born in 1976. Steve is employed at Redstone Arsenal as an electrical engineer. Steve and Nancy reside in Woodville.

Alma Faylene Helms was born in 1949 on Sand Mountain in the Hodge Community. She married Eddie Velon Smith of Sand Mountain in 1969. Faylene and Eddie have one daughter, Erica



James and Gladys (Hall) Helms

Joy, born in 1981. Faylene is presently employed as an agent and office manager for Harding Insurance Company of Scottsboro. Faylene and Eddie reside at Skyline.

James Larry Helms was born in 1953 at Avon-Park, Florida. He married Norma Jean Amrhein, of Scottsboro, in 1985. They have one daughter, Kimberli Michelle,

born in 1987. Larry is presently employed by the Jackson County Board of Education. Larry and Norma reside in Pleasant Groves.

Randy Hulon Helms was born in 1955 in Huntsville. He married Brenda Faye Hall of Pleasant Groves in 1973. They have two children, their daughter Ginger Renee was born in 1974 and their son James "Jamie" Robert was born in 1980. Randy married Linda Dianne Keel, of Woodville, in 1986. Randy and Dianne reside at Pleasant Groves. Randy Helms is a self-employed brick mason. Submitted by: Steve Helms, P.O. Box 61, Woodville, AL 35776

W.M. "Goodbuddy" Helms

W. M. "Goodbuddy" Helms was born in Morgan City on Brindley Mountain on July 4th, 1896. The third of four sons of William Emmett and Verlin May Helms. Cora Kennedy Helms was born in Buford County, Georgia in 1901. Cora's parents, Jim Lemuel and Sally Lou Maltbie Kennedy, moved their family to Sand Mountain near Old Sardis by covered wagon in 1907.

"Goodbuddy" and Cora met at Old Sardis Free Holiness Church. "Goodbuddy" courted Miss Cora by bringing her two oranges which

were hard to come by in those days. Later, he wrote telling her that he would be coming to ask her father for her hand in marriage. The day he came, Cora was swinging in a swing hung from a peach tree. Mr. Kennedy told "Goodbuddy" that he was taking his best plowhand. "Goodbuddy" and Cora worked hard



Mr. & Mrs. Helms April 1969

and were married for sixty-three years, raising five sons, and surviving two depressions.

"Goodbuddy" and Cora were married in Scottsboro on April 12th, 1919. Their first son, Oscar was born in 1920. In 1925, "Goodbuddy", Cora, and Oscar moved to Jackson County. Following Cora's parents to Cumberland Mountain settling near the community of Pleasant Groves, that same year their second son, Willard, was born.

The Helms bought 200 acres of land from the Pierce Development Company for \$375 a forty. "Goodbuddy" paid for the land by selling crossties and firewood, he also coal-mined, ran a sawmill, made sorghum, truck farmed, raised and butchered pigs, ran a grist mill, trapped for furs and started the first fruit orchard in Jackson County.

In 1928 James Lemuel was born, shortly thereafter "Goodbuddy" went to work for the WPA. He helped improve the road from Larkinsville and helped build the road across the mountain which is now County Road 8. "Goodbuddy" owned the first automobile on the mountain, a 1923 T-model truck, which he used to haul fruit and vegetables as well as the workers and tools that helped build the community.

One of the first settlers on Cumberland Mountain, "Goodbuddy" witnessed its growth as the Skyline Farms Colony was established and again when electricity was brought to the mountain. A

community leader, "Goodbuddy" was commissioned to oversee the clearing of right-of-ways and setting of poles for the first power line.

"Goodbuddy" and Cora lost their fourth son Nathan, shortly after his birth and he is buried in Pleasant Grove Cemetery. Their last two sons Bobby Arvel and Marvin Carlous were born in 1938 and 1941 at Pleasant Groves, respectively. "Goodbuddy" built the first brick home on the mountain for his bride, Cora in the 1950's.

This man who played such a key role in the development of Jackson County was known by his nickname, "Goodbuddy" until his death in 1987. He and Cora who died in 1983 rest in the Gold Cemetery at Letcher.

"Goodbuddy" took his nickname from a brother who was known as a "good-buddy" for the way he ran his restaurant. Although borrowed "Goodbuddy" earned this title through dedication to God, family, and the community. His legacy is five sons, ten grandchildren, sixteen great-grandchildren, and 5 great-great grandchildren, many of whom still live on the 200 acre homestead.

Hembree

Living "Across The River"

The Hembree family has always lived across the river. That meant living East of the Tennessee River usually across from communities like Scottsboro, Stevenson, or Bridgeport. The people mostly lived on river bottom farms at the base of Sand Mountain.

The Hembree's lived just north of the Bridgeport Ferry which meant crossing the river every time we needed to go to town or

school. Of course in the early 1930's and on into the 1940's a school and a small grocery operated at Long Island further north near the Tennessee line. The three-room school taught grades one thru six, maybe eight, if they had enough students.

After WWII, the Long Island school closed and the some dozen students from



The Hembree family farm just off Co. Rd. 911 in north Jackson Co.

Long Island, Bryant, and Hog Jaw Valley, where we lived, had to be transported across the ferry. It wasn't safe for the bus to be on the boat, so most of the time a valley bus took us down to the ferry, we rode the ferry across then a Bridgeport bus picked us up for the two miles into the school. If the buses or the ferry were broken down, which was often the case, then we would make it to the flag-stop depot at Long Island and ride the train across the river bridge.

That railroad river bridge at Bridgeport, which dates back before the Civil War, was our link to town when the ferry closed at sundown. When my three brothers, Bill, Sam, and Ike and I played football at Bridgeport High School we walked the bridge and "cut" through the bottoms home. — about three miles. The bridge also was our link for an emergency. With four boys and two girls, and several neighbors, many trips were made for bad cuts and broken bones.

In 1943, my mother became ill with what we thought was a severe upset stomach, my dad, Gordon, woke me and brother Bill about 3:00 a.m. and told us we had to go for the doctor. The family doctor was Dr. Carl Heartung of Bridgeport. My brother and I walked the bridge with the aid of a lantern, and woke Dr. Heartung who crossed the ferry at daylight, and diagnosed the illness as appendicitis from which she recovered.

My father was named John B. Gordon Hembree and he married Kathleen Lasater, the daughter of John Pitts Lasater who was the dentist in Bridgeport for many years. She taught first grade at Bridgeport for 20 years.

My father moved from near Long Island to the family farm home when he was seven (The family home is pictured). The house was built by Vince Ladd of the Long Island community about 1896 as best we can determine. The oldest deed I can locate for the Hembree family in Jackson County is 1842. The Hembrees may have settled in Jackson County earlier. Prior to that time records show the family moving into Roane County, Tenn. near Rockwood



Hembree Farm Home No. Jackson Co. off Hwy. 91 Home built about 1896

from the Spartanburg District of South Carolina. Dan Hembree's research on the family suggest they were Normans who migrated to Wales. My grandfather was Isaac Shilo Hembree. My grandmother was Sara Webb Hembree. By John B. Hembree.

The story that follows was written by my cousin Ellis Couch III, known as "Butch." His mother was Emaline Hembree Couch of Bridgeport. He taught for a while at Bridgeport then later taught at Dalton, Georgia. He's dead now, but we all honor and remember him for his insight as a city cousin who visited the farm. His wife Carolyn and two sons still live in Dalton and we thank her for allowing us to use his story. *Submitted by: John B. Hembree, 3749 Gloucester Dr., Lexington, KY 40510*

The Delbert Hicks Family

Delbert Gilford Hicks and Jessie Molene Young were married December 25, 1932. They had three children: Barney G., Jessie Delle and Edward D.

Delbert was born February 27, 1913 in the Pleasant View Community on Sand Mountain. He was the seventh child in a family of ten children born to John G. and Josephine Smalley Hicks. This pioneer family built their home in the woods less than a mile south of the Pleasant View Cemetery. His family was poor, but law-abiding, God-fearing, honest and neighborly. The atmosphere in the home was one of caring and gentleness. High expectations were held for the children and schooling was encouraged.

Molene was born in Clay County, Alabama March 18, 1914. She was the oldest of three children born to Barney O. and Easter Belle Garrett Young. This family moved to Pisgah about 1918. This close knit family was influenced by an atmosphere of love and caring. Molene's mother had a special interest in music and taught her children to play the piano. Her father operated machinery where he sawed the logs, ground the meal and ginned the cotton for the community.

Delbert attended elementary schools at Chaleybeate Springs and Dutton. He drove the first school bus which carried students from the Pleasant View Community to Pisgah High School. He was graduated from Pisgah High School in 1931 as valedictorian. He received his B.S. Degree in Education from Florence State College and his M. A. Degree in Educational Administration from Peabody College in Nashville. Delbert's work consisted of: teacher in one-teacher schools, teacher/principal in three-teacher and four-teacher schools, principal in a consolidated



elementary school, high school classroom teacher, high school principal, county school superintendent, training instructor at Army Redstone Arsenal and business manager in the Alabama State Department of Education.

Recognition was paid Delbert when he was listed in *Who's Who in the Southeast*, *Personalities of the South*, and *Men of Distinction*. His speaking ability merited an invitation to become a member of *The International Platform Association*. He enjoyed success as a teacher, principal and school administrator. He was delighted to have made the decision to establish a senior high school at Section. He was the first person in the state to recognize the need for a network of junior colleges in Alabama. He played a leading role in laying the groundwork for the development of Northeast State Junior College. He was honored to become the teacher of The Adult Bible Sunday School Class at the First Baptist Church in Scottsboro.

After retirement in 1975, Delbert played a leadership role in conceiving, planning, developing and implementing the Pleasant View Cemetery improvement program.

Molene attended the Pisgah School where she was graduated in 1930. She received her B. S. Degree in Education from Florence State Teachers College. Her teaching experience included teaching in all of the twelve grades, but most of it was in eighth grade math. She was invited to join Rho Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma, an organization honoring women teachers, and served one term as its president. After forty years in the classroom, she retired in 1975 and began doing volunteer work. *Submitted by: Delbert and Molene Hicks, 506 Veterans Dr., Scottsboro, AL 35768*

Jerry William And Margaret (Pearson) Hicks Family

Jerry William Hicks (b: 11/11/1914 - d: 2/23/1975) was the first child of Miriam E. (Rush) and Thomas O. Hicks. (See also Miriam (Rush) and Tom Hicks article). Jerry married Margaret (Pearson) Hicks and had six children, (one born dead).

Jerry's first child was Mary Wendell (Hicks) (Goggins) Dennis who was married twice: (1) to Louis Goggins and (2) to Allen Dennis. Mary Louis had two children: Vicki (Goggins) Dennis and Jeffrey (Goggins) Dennis. Allen Dennis adopted both of her children by her previous marriage. Mary has a Professional Job Placement business in Montgomery, AL.

Jerry's second child was Jerry Sue (Hicks) who was married twice: (1) to Jerry Kuykendahl and (2) to Charles Grant and has one child: Jerry Kuykendahl. Charles adopted her child by the previous marriage. She also lives in Montgomery and works as an office manager.

Jerry's third child was William "Billy" Hicks. Billy married and has five children. He lives in TX.

Jerry's fourth child was Thomas Oscar "Tommy" Hicks who lives in Rainsville. Tommy was married twice: (1) to Janie Roberts and (2) to Felicia Mitchell. Tommy and Janie had two children: Brent Hicks and John Hicks.

Jerry's fifth child is Laura (Hicks) Luna. Laura was married twice. She has two children by her first husband, Roy Luna: Michelle and Diane. She has one child by her second marriage, Robin. *Submitted by: Mamie Lee Brooks, Pisgah, AL*

Miriam Emmaline (Rush) and Thomas Oscar Hicks Family

Miriam Emmaline (Rush) Hicks (b: 12/9/1894, Jackson Co., AL - D: 12/8/65) was the second child of Tallulah Texas (Neely) and Joshua William Rush. (See also Joshua W. Rush and John Ellison Rush articles). Miriam was married to Thomas Oscar Hicks (b: 2/7/1886, near Stone Mt., GA - d: 6/3/70 at Fort Payne, AL). Tom farmed in Jackson Co. most of his life and moved to the Grove Oak area about 1947. Tom and Miriam had 10 children.

Tom and Miriam's first child was Jerry William Hicks (b: 11/11/14 - d: 2/23/75). Jerry married Margaret (Pearson) Hicks and had six children. (See Jerry William Hicks article).

Tom and Miriam's second child was Carl Hicks. Carl married Mavis (Harper) about 1950 and had four children: Dennis Hicks, Carlton Hicks, Deborah (Hicks) Flint who married Alan Flint, and Kim Hicks. Carl lived in Citrus Heights, CA.

Tom and Miriam's third child was Hubert Earl Hicks (b: 1920). Hubert lived in TX, and had no children. He died at Ft. Hood, TX and is buried in the National Cemetery nearby.

Tom and Miriam's fourth child was Bettie Jo (Hicks) (Bishop) Pierce (b: 1921-d: ca 1987). Betty Jo married Rubin Eslin Bishop, Sr., and had two children: Rubin Eslin "Sonny" Bishop, Jr. and Martha Ann Bishop. She later married Wade Pierce. Betty Jo lived at Bessemer, AL.

Tom and Miriam's fifth child was Mary Ruth Dinah (Hicks) Farmer (b: 3/29/23). Dinah married Harvel George Farmer (b: 7/19/19-d: 7/23/93) on 11/23/40. Harvel was cremated. Dinah and Harvel had six children — all born in the Deans Chapel Community and all who attended Pisgah High School. (See Mary Ruth Dinah (Hicks Farmer article).

Tom and Miriam's sixth child was Howard "Buck" Hicks (b: 7/25/25). Buck was married twice: (1) to Yvonne (Jolly) Hicks and (2) to Lois Myers. He and Yvonne had one child: Janet (Hicks) Christie. Janet lives in Griffin, GA.

Tom and Miriam's seventh child was Nina Faye (Hicks) Dockery (b: 11/9/27). Nina Faye married Samuel Dockery in 1946 and had four children: Edward Dockery, Douglas Dockery, Barbara Dockery, and Elene Dockery.

Tom and Miriam's eighth child was Mamie Lee (Hicks) (Buck) Brooks. Mamie Lee lives in Pisgah, AL. Mamie Lee was married twice: (1) to Levi Buck on 8/8/45 (divorced) and (2) to Chester Earl Brooks in 1/66. Mamie Lee and Levi had three children. Mamie Lee and Chester Brooks had one child. (See also Mamie Lee (Hicks) (Buck) Brooks article).

Tom and Miriam's ninth child was Hoyt Douglas Hicks (b: 1932-d: 1933). He only lived 15 months.

Tom and Miriam's tenth child was Wilma Jean (Hicks) Parker (b: 4/12/35). Wilma married Fred C. Parker in 1950. Fred and Wilma had three children: Cynthia Diane (Parker) Turner, Terry David Parker, and Steve Parker. Cynthia married Junior Turner and they have one son, Scott Turner. Terry Parker married Lynn and they have two sons: Chase Parker and _____ Parker. Terry owns the Desoto Printing Co. in Fort Payne. His sister Cynthia works with him. Steve was married twice and had a daughter by his first wife.

Tom and Miriam are buried at the Henagar Cemetery across from the Baptist Church at Henagar, AL.

Submitted by: Dinah Farmer, 1134 Kirk Rd., Rainsville, AL; Mamie Lee Brooks, Pisgah, AL

The Hill Family

Henry Luttrell Hill was born in Franklin County Tennessee, dates and parents names are unknown. He married a lady named Sallie Weeks. She was born in Jackson County and was a child of Tom Weeks and a lady named Black or Block. They had three children.

Bob Hill was born February 8, 1879 and died May 4, 1938. He was married to a lady named Martha Ann who was born March 17, 1877. They had children by the names of Johnny, Howard, William Gordon, Mattie, Lizzie, Laura, Florence, Ruthie, Odell, and Bessie. They all lived around Huntland, Tennessee.

Della Hill was born in 1883 and was married first to William Williamson. After his death, she then married Harry Leftwich. She had only one stepson, Will Williamson born in March, 1896 and died in 1964.

William Henry Hill was born on March 6, 1874 and died January 3, 1919. He was married to Mary Della Bryant, she was born February 11, 1878 and died February 22, 1964. They had children by the names of: William Lee Hill, he was born August 11, 1896 and died January 31, 1969. He was married to Lila B. Sparks and had children by the names of Jack, Charles, Velma, and Billie. James Robert "Sam" Hill was born August 11, 1899 and died December 10, 1974. He was married to (1) Willie Ann Armstrong, (2) Minnie Coffee Shelton, (3) Annie Coffee Manning. Sam and Willie Ann had children by the names of Lena Mae, who married Burl Jordan, Lucy O., who married Luther Reed. Evelyn who married (1) Marion Gilliam, (2) Pat Clift, and (3) Dewight Shelton. J.W. Hill was married to (1) Jane Driver, then he married (2) Mary Bell Sisk. Mary Ruth Hill was married to (1) Billy Downs, then she married (2) Frank Hairl Holderfield. Sam and Minnie had two children, their names were Gene Douglas Hill and Carol Irene Hill. Sam and Annie did not have any children together.

Sam was a farmer around Scottsboro for many years. He lived in the areas around Dutton and Section for most of his life. He was

known as the "Monkeyman", because he had this small spider monkey that traveled with him when he went to sell his crops.

After Sam and Willie Ann divorced, she married Charles Monroe "Bub" Judge. He was born about 1897 and died March 25, 1969. Willie Ann Judge worked around Scottsboro and Jackson County for many years as a house painter along with Bub and her son J.W.

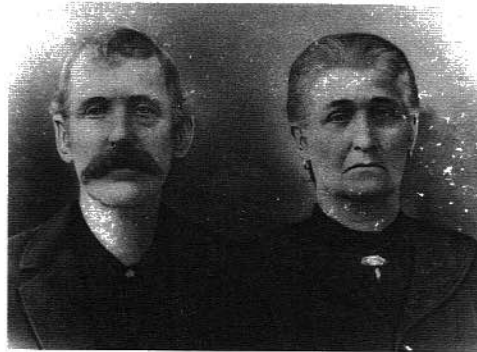
Almost all of Sam's and Willie Ann's children and grandchildren still reside in and around the Scottsboro and Jackson County areas. *Submitted by: Hairland Holderfield*
Sources: Family Records and Census

The Hill - Fanning Family

Research on the Hill-Fanning family only goes back as far as one Richard Hill, b. 1801 in either North Carolina, Virginia, Tennessee or Alabama, and Sarah Fanning, b. 1808 in Tennessee. The names of Richard Hill's parents is not known, but would probably be either Albert, William or James Hill. Sarah Fanning was the daughter of Middleton and Delpha Ann Moore Fanning, who came originally from Virginia. Richard and Sarah were married in 1825, place unknown, but their Bible had "of Scottsboro" shown with the marriage record. It is definitely known that some of the Hill and Fanning people came into the Paint Rock Valley region of what is now Jackson County, Alabama, probably from Franklin County,

Tennessee, and lived there from 1825 to 1849. Claiborne Hill and William Hill were among the earliest settlers in this region, having located here before the area was opened up for settlement.

Around 1849 Richard and Sarah Fanning Hill moved westward into west Tennessee to Harde-man County, where they remained only briefly. It is thought



Richard (Dick) Hill, b. 1850 - TN., d. 1936 - TX, Lucy Ann Wagner Hill, b. 1848 - TN, d. 1935 - TX, m. 1868 Rusk Co. TX

that on this westward journey that 2 or 3 young sons were lost; where one son married and his wife died, probably in childbirth, leaving son Albert with a baby boy, which he named after its grandfather, Richard. (per census records).

There is evidence that Richard and probably a brother Thomas were speculating on buying or obtaining land in the new state of Texas, as early as 1840. Richard's brother-in-law, the Rev. Jesse Graham, who was married to Sarah's sister, Martha Fanning, had already moved to Texas and settled in Rusk County by 1850.

All of Richard and Sarah Hill's children were born in Jackson County, Alabama, of which the records indicate 13 children. The names of all are not known, but the 1st was Delpha Ann (Annie) who married R. J. Cook, place unknown; 2nd Louisa who married James McInturff, place unknown; Albert H., Thomas, William, Martha E., Edmond B., James K. - the rest are unknown, except that Richard, b. 1850, was said to be the youngest of the family, and the only one to be alive in 1880. Census records show that the Richard Hill b. 1850 was the son of Albert H. Hill, residing in the household of Albert's parents, Richard and Sarah Fanning Hill. In 1850 or 1851, Richard and Sarah packed up what was left of their family and set out for Texas, where other family had located. It is probable that son Albert died either before or during the move, leaving a baby son, as there is no record of him ever arriving in Texas, so Richard (Dick) Hill was raised by his grandparents as one of their own children.

Family legends tell that after Richard Hill, Sr. died in 1859 that Sarah and young Richard went back to Tennessee or Alabama, probably in 1860 or 1861, where within a short time the Civil War broke out. Two of Dick Hill's brothers (actually uncles - Thomas and William) were killed in the war, so Sarah, Dick, and some in-laws moved back to Texas, Dick having to walk all the way herding cattle, because he "was considered a man grown at 14 years old".

In 1868 Richard Hill married Lucy Ann Wagner in Rusk County, Texas, where they lived for a short time. They then moved on to

Coryell County where they spent the rest of their lives, raising a family of 12 children. Texas is home to most all of the numerous descendants of this Hill-Fanning family.

One of the sons of Richard and Lucy Wagner Hill was Albert Henderson Hill who married Florence White in Harmony, Texas in 1898, and they had 16 children. Their daughter, Iolah Azalea, who married Keston O.P. Hodge, is my mother. (Some of my father's ancestors were massacred in Alabama in the Fort Mims Massacre.) I am now Patricia Ann Hodge Thornal, and my Husband is Bill R. Thornal. We were both raised in Texas and we have 2 sons and 1 daughter, Richard, Ronald, and Rene Hueske and 3 grandchildren. *Submitted by: Pat A. Thornal, 2200 Stevens Dr., Bryan, TX 77803*

Sources: Family Traditions, Census, County, Deed Rec.; Genealogy Libraries in Houston, Tx., Conroe, TX, Alabama, Tennessee, & DAR records, among others.

Dr. E. J. Hodges

Dr. Emmett Julian Hodges practiced medicine in Alabama for 55 years.

He was born in Gurley, Alabama in 1904, the fourth child of the Reverend Willie Julian Hodges and Elizabeth Hodges Hodges. Both parents were of pioneer families in Alabama, dating to the early decades of the 19th century. They shared a common ancestor, Johnson Hodges, Jr., who came with his three sons to Madison County from Virginia. Willie Julian was descended from Richard Thompson, one son, and Elizabeth (Lizzie) from Willis, another.

Willie was a Methodist minister. After conducting a funeral in Woodville, he was stricken with typhoid fever and died when Julian was only 18 months old. Lizzie, a courageous and stalwart woman, with a deep religious faith took her young family back to Woodville. There she lived on a family farm and eked out a living for her family, going through some difficult times.

When Julian was 14, he left home to attend high school in Gurley — the closest accredited school. He was determined to get an education. He boarded with relatives and worked to support himself. He entered Birmingham-Southern College in Birmingham in 1922. Arriving there with \$25 he had stoked all the school furnaces and walked 100 blocks delivering newspapers before classes began. He planned to teach upon graduation, save his money, and enter medical school to fulfill his dream of becoming a physician.

In December, 1923, he was with his cousin, Frank Hodges, in Huntsville, during Christmas vacation. They happened to meet Geneva Hill, whom Frank had been dating, and her younger sister, Helen Rubye, a college student at Florence State College. Rubye was introduced by Frank as, "And now I want you to meet the princess of the Hill family!". Julian obviously agreed with Frank's estimation and asked if he might write to her. She agreed and he sold his nightly dessert at supper to pay for the daily stamp. Her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George E.W. Hill, lived near Owens Cross Roads and he visited her there for the first time in June, 1924. He proposed that weekend and she accepted!

Julian graduated from Birmingham-Southern in June, 1925, and went to Blountsville to teach. Rubye graduated from the two year program at Florence the same year and went to Plevna to teach. In April, 1926, they met in Decatur and married at the Methodist parsonage, in the presence of family and friends.

Over the next four years the couple taught, saving their money for medical school. In 1930 Julian entered medical school at the University of Alabama in Tuscaloosa, at that time only a two year school. During those years, Rubye taught and also completed her bachelor's degree in mathematics. For his remaining two years of medicine Julian entered Emory University. At that time Rubye came to Scottsboro, boarding at the Hodges Hospital, teaching at the high school.

On receiving his M.D. degree in 1934, Dr. Julian became a

roving trouble shooter for the State Health Department. He then set up his first medical practice in New Hope, only a short distance from Rubye's family. During their five years there, their two daughters, Martha Janice and Nancy Karen, were born. Dr. Julian and Rubye moved to Scottsboro in June, 1940, and he opened his office upstairs in the Proctor Building on the square.

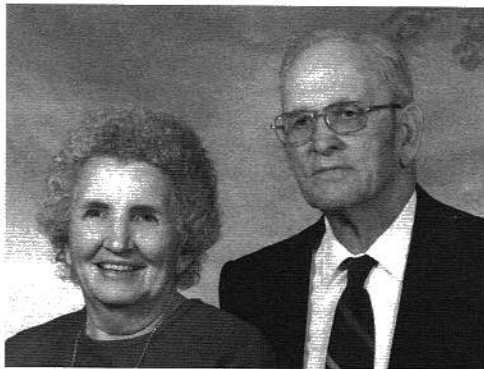
He was soon in a very busy practice, making house calls each morning before office hours, and ending the day with more house calls. His first office nurse was Opal Peters. She lived with the family for several years, as she would accompany the doctor at night on many calls, particularly deliveries. Opal contributed many reminiscences of their years together in a recent University of Alabama press book, "Healing Hands". He recalled one Sunday, during which he delivered four babies, all in a different corner of our large county. Cold and flu seasons were particularly hectic and on one occasion after virtually no sleep for 72 hours he boarded a train to attend a medical meeting in Miami, telling the Pullman porter to be sure to rouse him. He slept all the way until 30 minutes before arrival there.

Dr. Julian was instrumental in establishing Jackson County Hospital. Hill Burton funds had been available for some time, but time was running out to implement them. Dr. Hodges became hospital board chairman and got things moving to start construction. He proudly saw its opening in 1955 and remained on the board for many years. He was always interested in keeping his medical knowledge current and thus became a charter member of the Alabama chapter of the American Academy of General Practice, becoming its state president in 1956.

In 1967 Dr. Julian's daughter, Dr. Janice Hodges Jones and her husband, Dr. Grady Jones joined him in practice and he built the Hodges-Jones Clinic, at 915 S. Broad Street. Dr. Julian remained in active practice until 1989 when he suffered a series of small strokes which forced his retirement. His death came at age 90 in March, 1994.

He is remembered as a skilled, dedicated physician, one who had a great deal of compassion and truly cared about his patients.

His widow survives him and lives in their home on Hodges Street in Scottsboro. His daughter, Dr. Janice Hill Hodges is still in practice. The Jones grandchildren are Julian Grady, Scottsboro; Walter Ross, Birmingham; and Lyda Helen, a student at the University of Alabama. *Submitted by: Janice Hodges, P.O. Box 727, Scottsboro, AL 35768-0727*



Dr. & Mrs. E. Julian Hodges

John Rayford Hodges, M.D.

The earliest member of the Hodges family to settle in Jackson County was John Hodges who came from Goochland County, Virginia. His descendants were Richard Thompson Hodges, John Thompson (Jack) Hodges, and Monroe (Fony) Hodges who married Addie Chastain, daughter of John Chastain. Their children were John Rayford, Bunyan, Era, and Ruthie.

John Rayford Hodges was born November 1, 1889 in Woodville. He attended the public schools of Woodville and The State Teacher's College in Jacksonville, graduating in 1911. He enjoyed hunting, fishing and most sports. He excelled in baseball, playing catcher. It was rumored that he was capable of throwing out a base runner at second base without standing. Because of this talent he was invited to try out with several professional teams. However he chose to give up a career in baseball to pursue a career in medicine. After teaching himself Latin to fulfill the admission requirement of a foreign language, he was accepted to study medicine at The University of Alabama School of Medicine in Mobile. He graduated in 1915 and began his practice on horseback in his native community of Woodville where his mother, Addie, had donated her services to the community in what most called a doctors role. His career was interrupted when he volunteered for service in World War I on August 1, 1917.

"Doc" as he was known to patients and friends, was a battalion surgeon of the United States Medical Corp of the 58th Infantry Regiment and was in many fierce and bloody battles including Aisne-Marne Hensine, The Toulou Sector, The St. Mihiel Offensive and The Meuse Argone Offensive. During his military career he received the Purple Heart and a Silver Star and a special accommodation for bravery "beyond the call of duty" from General John J. Pershing for saving the lives of several of his company by carrying them to safety while under extreme machine gun fire. He was discharged from the service with the rank of Captain.

On October 19, 1920 he married Jennie McGahey, the daughter

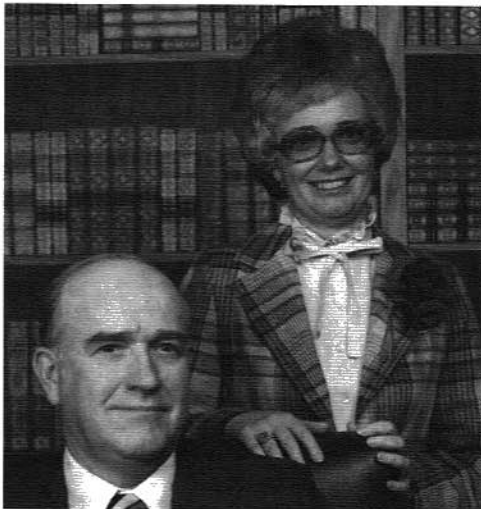
of a physician, J. J. McGahey, M.D., and they settled in Scottsboro. In 1923 he and Dr. George E. Nye started the first hospital in Jackson County. It was located on the second floor of the present Brown Building. A success from the start, they soon outgrew their space. In 1925 the young doctors purchased land and erected the building that was known as the Nye-Hodges Hospital. In 1927 Dr. Nye sold his interest to Dr. Hodges who continued to operate it as the Hodges Hospital and raise his young family in an apartment added to the rear. His children are: John Rayford Hodges, Jr. (Atlanta, GA), Lila Jean Hodges Fowler (Birmingham, AL) and the late Durwood McGahey Hodges, Sr., M.D. (1925-1979). Dr. Durwood Hodges, Sr. joined his father's practice in 1956. The hospital closed its doors as a public hospital in December, 1958 after 33 years of service and continued as a clinic for the father and son.

One of the greatest services the Hodges Hospital was ever called upon to render was when a damaging tornado swept through the county in March 1932, killing 31 and injuring hundreds. The hospital took in many times its capacity. For this great community service he was chosen Outstanding Citizen and Benefactor for the city and given a loving cup by the First National Bank of Scottsboro. He was known as a great physician and an amazingly gifted surgeon. His talents as a surgeon were thought to be acquired in the trenches of World War I. He was a member of the American Legion, a city alderman, a Southern Railway surgeon and a Director of the Columbia Mutual Insurance Company of Memphis, Tennessee. He was honored with an award for 50 years of service to the people of Alabama by The Alabama State Medical Society. On May 4, 1966, after performing four hours of surgery, he died doing the second thing he loved most, fishing. His son, Durwood, continued in his father's footsteps moving his office to Parks Avenue and practicing there until his death in 1979. Both will forever be loved, admired and missed by their family and friends.

In January 1982, a grandson and son, Durwood McGahey Hodges, Jr., M.D. opened his medical practice to become the fourth generation physician from the Hodges family to serve Scottsboro and Jackson County.

The Family Of Kenneth Roy Hodges And Glenda R. Hollaway

Kenneth Roy was born in Woodville, Jackson County, AL, on Aug 7, 1918. He was the son of Roy Bennett and Vada Pearl Kennamer. He was in the trucking business, prior to entering the Army.



Kenneth Roy & Glenda (Bit) Hollaway Hodges (1978)

Kenneth Roy was inducted into the Army, Mar 26, 1941, and was assigned to the infantry. After basic training he was sent to Fort Shafter, HI. He was a survivor of the bombing of Pearl Harbor. On the 50th anniversary of the bombing, the Army awarded medals to all who had survived the bombing. After the bombing, Kenneth Roy served in other areas including the

Central Pacific, Ardennes Rhineland and Central Europe. He held the rank of Tech Sergeant, when he received an honorable discharge, from the Army, Oct 4, 1945. Upon return home, he took advantage of the GI bill for training carpentry. He worked as a carpenter for a while then went into the trucking business for a period of time. He then went to work at Redstone Arsenal Support Organization. He retired from Redstone after 28 years of service. After retirement, he worked part-time with a building contractor.

Kenneth Roy married Glenda (Bit) Hollaway, Dec 22, 1950. She is the daughter of Thomas (Tom) McKinley and Mattie Thomas Walker Hollaway. They were the parents of one son, Ronald Steven, b. June 6, 1953. The family became members of the Woodville Missionary Baptist Church, where Kenneth Roy served

as a Deacon, for many years. Glenda has held several offices in the church and continues to do so. As a teen-ager, Steve was active in church. Since returning to the area, with his work, he is now serving as the director of music. Kenneth Roy was a volunteer fireman, member of the Town Council, and other organizations.

Glenda and Steve both graduated from Woodville High School.



Ronald Steven and Marion Nelson Hodges 1995

Steve was a member of the Beta Club, 4-H Club and the FFA. As a recipient of the leadership award, he was chosen to represent Alabama, at the National 4-H Club Congress.

Glenda continued her studies at Northeast Jr. College, University of Alabama, Huntsville, and University of Wisconsin, Madison. She worked at various jobs in the clerical and administrative fields, and teaching. She was a project manager for the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, and retired from that job in 1994. She has also done consulting work. In 1996, she was elected Mayor of the Town of Woodville and in 1997, she was selected the silver-haired legislator for Jackson County. Glenda is active in a number of other organizations, and has fun playing bridge.

While attending University of North Alabama, Steve met the vivacious Marion (Mar) Elizabeth Nelson. They were married Aug 14, 1976. Mar is the daughter of James Burt (J.B.) and Floria Elizabeth Hooper Nelson, of Athens. Steve and Mar's wedding was one to remember. The wedding was held at the First Christian Church, Athens, and the reception was held at the Nelson's home. A freak storm developed, as the services were ending and people were going to the Nelson home. Trees were blown down and torrents of rain fell for a short while. So many people were standing on the porch of the beautiful old home, that the porch gave way. Fortunately, no one was hurt.

Marion is a graduate of Athens High School, Steve is a graduate of Woodville High School. After graduation, he attended Northeast State Jr. College. Both Steve and Marion are graduates of the University of North Alabama. Steve majored in Marketing and Management, and Mar majored in early education. Mar earned her Masters Degree in early education from Alabama A&M University, Huntsville. Steve is employed by the Alabama Farmers Cooperative. He is operations manager for the Madison County Farmers Cooperative. Marion is employed by the Jackson County School Board of Education. She teaches kindergarten at the Woodville School.

Kenneth Roy had one sister, Lois. Glenda was the youngest of five children. The others were: Cecil, Horace, Millard Oliver, and Bonnie Hollaway.

Kenneth Roy remained active in the church and community activities until his death, Mar 28, 1986, which was a good Friday. He was buried on Easter Sunday, in the Union Cemetery at Woodville.

Glenda still lives in the home she and Kenneth Roy had built in 1985. Steve and Marion reside at New Hope, AL. Submitted by: Marion E. Hodges, 245 Cooper Road, New Hope, AL 35760 Sources: Family Members

For The Want Of Shoes

By
Montell Prince Hodges

This is a story about how the lack of shoes caused much grief and disappointment to me throughout my lifetime. First, when I was six years old, the age to start to school, my mother being full of pride, would not let me enter school because I did not have any shoes. As a result, I was seven years old before I was able to attend school. Being one year older than my classmates made a difference in my life, it caused me to feel inferior to my classmates the rest of my school career.

Another incident occurred when I was nine or ten. A man came to Woodville School auditioning people to be in a school play. I was

to get an important part in the play. However, when my mother heard about my great success in landing a part in the play, she would not allow me to participate in the play because my shoes were worn out. I feel very strongly that she did me a grave injustice on this occasion in not allowing me this opportunity. As a matter of fact, the stage would have fully covered my shoes. In those days, stages were equipped with foot lights that came up to my shoes. I feel that my shoes would have gone unnoticed.

Still another event occurred some years later when I was selected by mother to care for my sister who lived in Sheffield, Alabama. She had had a new baby and I was to go stay with her. I had to borrow one of my other sister's shoes to wear on the visit. The shoes were about two sizes too large for me, and I felt a sense of embarrassment when I wore them. To make matters worse, when I returned home on the train after my Sheffield visit, there was a gorgeous lady on the train. I knew her to be a Woodville resident.

The lady was beautifully dressed and I immediately felt a sense of shame for the shoes I was wearing. I tried to hide them. I stuck my feet as far under the seat as I dared and still keep my balance on the seat. I survived this situation. However, the true embarrassment came when I departed the train. My boyfriend was



The Twins, Delma and Zelma Prince Kennamer, Delma Prince (b 1912 d 1952), Zelma Prince Kennamer (b 1912 d 1972)

waiting for me at the train station. In those days, the mode of transportation was usually walking. People traveled for miles on foot. So I had to walk home in shoes about twice the size. I squished up my little toes trying to hold the shoes on my feet as I walked it was hard to keep them from falling off. This was a miserable situation, especially, since my home was about a mile from the train station. To this day, I do not know how I made it with those oversized shoes, but I somehow did.

Years later, I met the man that I was later to marry. This incident happened near the end of a school year. My sister and I were hoeing cotton, and of course I did not have any shoes on my feet, and cotton was all around my feet. The field was about a hundred yards from the road. Along came the man that I would later marry. I sent my sister to talk with him. I guess I inherited my mother's pride. I have often wondered what he thought about me sending my sister to talk with him instead of talking with him myself.

The last episode occurred when I got married, I had to borrow my sister's shoes. Again these shoes were oversized. However, the shoes worked out fine. In fact, I really do not think my husband noticed.

I wonder what my life would have been like if I had had new or even good shoes for each of these occasions. If I could turn back the time and could plant just one of the many pair of shoes I have today at the precise moment I needed them, how wonderful that would have been! Oh well, life has been good to me after all and there is no need lamenting over the past. *Submitted by: Montel Hodges, Woodville, AL*
Source: Per. Knowledge

Roy Bennett Hodges And Vada Pearl Kennamer Family

Roy Bennett Hodges was born in Marshall County, Alabama (Woodville Route) Apr 29, 1895. He was the eighth child of John T. (Roud) Hodges, b. Apr 16, 1859, d. Feb 18, 1908 and Rebecca Jane Thomas, b. Mar 2, 1861, d. Feb 4, 1930, who resided on a farm located what is now known as Thomas Lane Road. The other children were: Lula C., b. Aug 22, 1880, d. Aug 13, 1882; William Frank, b. Feb 27, 1882, d. Oct 18, 1906; Sara Lela, b. Dec 5, 1883, d. Aug 18, 1943; Baby b. Feb 1886, d. Feb 1886; Maggie Elizabeth, b. Apr 23, 1887, d. May 20, 1955; John Chapman, b. Sep 23, 1889, d. Aug 6, 1906; Bessie Lee, b. Oct 23, 1892, d. Feb 14, 1979; and Ortho G. b. Sep 9, 1900, d. Sep 22, 1901. Roy's paternal grandparents were Richard Thompson and Martha S. Hodges. His maternal grandparents were William S. Thomas, who died while in prison

during the Civil War, and Sara Stockton, whom William married July 17, 1862, after the death of his first wife. These were farm families that resided in the Woodville route area.

Roy married Vada Pearl Kennamer Oct 13, 1913. Pearl was the daughter of Pleasant Jacob (P.J.) Kennamer and Nancy Eliza Elkins, who were married Nov 5, 1885. After the death of Eliza, P.J. married Cora Ella Melton.

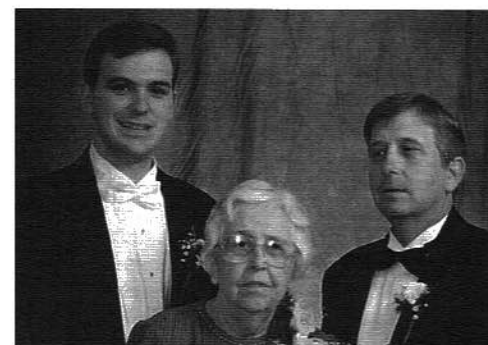


Roy B. & Pearl Kennamer Hodges circa 1942

Pearl had two brothers; Samuel Elbert, b. Aug 14, 1886, d. Mar 9, 1951 and William Kimbrough, b. Nov 22, 1889, d. Dec 25, 1964; one half-brother, Arnold Clayton, b. Oct 21, 1909, d. Jul 13, 1911; one sister, Nettie Vera, b. Oct 22, 1897, d. Jun 14, 1980; three half-sisters, Verta Beatrice, b. Jul 23, 1897, d. Jul 7, 1988, Audrey Fern, b. Jan 9, 1906; and Alma Laurene, b. Oct 22, 1907, d. Mar 25, 1996. Her grandparents were David Kennamer and Kitty Louis Hodges. More information on the Kennamer family may be found in the books titled, "The Kennamer Family", and "The Story of Woodville."

Roy and Pearl later moved their family to Woodville, Jackson County, Alabama. They had two children: Lois Mildred, b. Sep 11, 1914 and Kenneth Roy Hodges, b. Aug 7, 1918, d. Mar 28, 1986, who married Glenda Hollaway Dec 22, 1950.

Roy did some farming, worked with the County Road Dept, and worked as a guard. However, his later vocation of buying and selling livestock "trading" is probably what people remember. Not only did he do his trading in Jackson County, but surrounding counties, as well as into the Tennessee area. He was well known at the livestock sale barns. Many customers demonstrated their confidence in his ability to select what they needed. Often he received orders by phone and the customer would purchase whatever he had selected for them.



Lois Hodges and son James Terry & grandson Shannon Terry. (1992)

Pearl was a housewife, and an excellent cook. This family enjoyed having friends and relatives over for a fish-fry, or some other type cookout. Everyone enjoyed going to their house. Maybe this is why Lois opened a cafe in Woodville. At this time, Lois and her son, James C. Terry, b. Sep 7, 1942, resided with Roy and Pearl. James married Dec 22, 1961 to Carolyn Butler, b. Jun 8, 1942. Lois's grandson, Shannon Butler Terry, b. Sep 10, 1969, married Dec 14, 1992 to Cayce Baker, b. Feb 14, 1971, whom he met while attending David Lipscomb College. They are the parents of a daughter, Ellie Lois Terry.

When Pearl's health began to fail, Lois closed her restaurant to take care of her. She had the restaurant building moved, remodeled, and converted into a dwelling for the family. In the 1960's she opened "Hodges Restaurant", which was located adjacent to the Post Office, in a building owned by Kenneth Roy. She had an excellent business. Hodges Restaurant was known for good food and home baked pies. After Roy retired, he helped with the errands at the restaurant.

Roy and Pearl lived with Lois until their deaths. She died May 6, 1948 and he died Dec 21, 1975. Both are buried in Union Cemetery. (See "Kenneth Roy Hodges Family" for information on the son.) *Submitted by: Lois Hodges, P.O. Box 34, Woodville, AL 35776*
Sources: Family Records

Holcomb

Theopilus Holcomb and his wife Millie sailed from Ireland to the coast of South Carolina where they settled. From there they came to Sand Mountain, Alabama. They are buried at Macedonia Cemetery.

Their son, Thomas Franklin Holcomb, married Sallie Treece, who became a Herb Doctor and a Mid Wife or Granny Woman as folks called her. She delivered many babies in Jackson Co. Sallie was widowed when Uncle Charlie Holcomb was a boy. She learned to a mid-wife from some doctor who practiced in the Langston area. After she and Uncle Charlie died, I went through an old trunk and found a black bag with several "fertilizer books" with entries of babies that she delivered in Jackson County. I also found two books on herbs and how to treat illness with them. The other book was on women's illnesses and how to treat them.

Sallie and Franklin are buried at Macedonia Cemetery. Son William Arthur dug and carved Franklin's tombstone from a rock taken from his rock quarry.

Sallie's son, William Arthur Holcomb, married Carrie Davis, daughter of Alps G. Davis. Alps G. Davis was a full Cherokee Indian. He and his wife Elizabeth are buried in the old part of Davis Town Cemetery. The story is that Alps ran away rather than being sent to the Reservation in Oklahoma. He hid in caves to avoid the troops. Davis Town was named for his family. His family buried their money in jars in the cemetery.

William Arthur and Carrie lived in Langston where they share cropped on the Jones' farm. They returned to Sand Mountain around 1916 and 1917 where they purchased a farm. He gave land for the Old Harmony Church where he was a Deacon. William Arthur Holcomb taught school at one time, I was told. He farmed until he lost his vision due to cataracts. He and Carrie are buried at Harmony Church Cemetery. His children became farmers, barbers, well-drillers, carpenters, textile workers, a preacher and homemakers.

Their son Tillman Peavey Holcomb was my father. Daddy worked hard at different jobs to make a living for us. One that I remember most was his well drilling. He dug many wells in Jackson and Dekalb Counties. We lived on Grandpa Arthur's farm and always had to hoe and pick the crop of cotton with my uncles.

Times were hard, electricity was not available until 1951 or 1952. I remember getting a refrigerator and remember how nice it was to have ice and keep our food cold without having to keep changing the water to keep our milk cold.

We grandchildren are many and have many occupations. We have nurses, beauticians, barbers, carpenters, textile workers, state workers, teachers, doctors, landlords, store managers, pilots, some own their own business, and homemakers.

We have traveled far and wide. Most of us own our own homes now and most of us live in Jackson and Dekalb Counties. A few live in other counties and a few live in other states. *Submitted by: Flora Dell Cook, 15 Woodmont Lane, Scottsboro, AL 35768.*

The Holder Family Of Jackson County, Alabama

Joshua Holder (b. 1805) settled in Jackson Co. Alabama around 1830 with his wife, Christiana Floyd. The two had twelve children: Solomon (b. 1830), Eleanor (b. 1832), Jemina (b. 1834), Caleb (b. 1836), James Woodston (b. 1838), Nancy & Margaret (b. 1839), William Benton (b. 1842), Lucy (b. 1844), George A. (b. 1848), Charles Hickory (b. 1851), and David Crockett (b. 1854). In 1875, after the death of his wife, Joshua married Clarissa Crawford Gossett (b. 1836, d. 1909). It is also said that Joshua had several common law wives, all of whom are buried near him in Price's Cemetery in Hollywood, Alabama.

James Woodston Holder, the 5th child of Joshua and Christiana, was born January 4, 1838. He married Nancy Bass (8-17-1860). They had seven children: Mary A. (b. 1862), James Willie (b. 1864), Eliza Sue (b. 1867), Sarah A. (b. 1869), John, Charles, and Wallace B.

James Willie Holder (b. 5/1/1864 d. 8/29/1933) married Bettie Lois Barbara Gossett (b. 8/15/1861 d. 8/16/1935) on September 25, 1881. The couple had twelve children. These were: Henry (b. 10/7/1882 d. 1/24/1938), Charles B. (b. 3/7/1884 d. 5/31/1950), Ader Lee (b. 8/4/1887 d. 8/15/1887), Thomas Baxter (b. 9/22/1888 d. 11/23/1892), Cora Elizabeth (b. 4/7/1891 d. 11/16/1975), John Fred (b. 3/2/1893 d. 4/8/1944), Annie (b. 7/3/1895 d. 12/1980), Maggie (b. 3/14/1899 d. 8/1/1899), Belle (b. 4/7/1902 d. 5/26/1902), Girtrul (b. 5/26/1903 d. 6/20/1903), George (b. 10/16/1904), and Wallace (b. 11/5/1906 d. 12/10/1906).

John Fred Holder (b. 3/2/1893 d. 4/8/1944), the 6th child of James Willie and Bettie Barbara Holder, married Katie Bell Barber (b. 9/1/1898 d. 4/8/1944) on December 22, 1915. John Fred and Katie Bell had 10 children: Judson Willie (b. 4/12/1921), Fred Emmett (b. 7/1/1922 d. 4/1/1994), Wallace Morton (b. 11/18/1924 d. 1/27/1951), George Barber (b. 6/4/1926 d. 8/6/1983), N. Elizabeth (b. 6/6/1928), Robert Eugene (b. 3/1/1930), Annie Bell (b. 5/10/1933 d. 3/21/1935), Lina Kate (b. 1/12/1935), Charles Henry (b. 1/21/1938 d. 4/8/1944), and John Cleaveland (b. 10/1943 d. 4/8/1944).

"Probably the most tragic farm accident in Jackson County's history occurred near Fackler (on) April 8, 1944 about 4:30 (a.m.) when (John) Fred Holder, his wife (Katie Bell), two small children (Charles H. and John Cleaveland) and Mrs. Holder's mother, Mrs. Nannie Barber, lost their lives when the Holder residence was destroyed by fire. Four other Holder children escaped uninjured from the burning building ... Wallace, Elizabeth, Robert and Lina Kate. Three other children of the Holder family, Emmett, J.W. and Barber, reside in the Fackler community ... Mr. Holder was one of the best known and most progressive farmers and leaders of the county. He owned and operated a farm of more than 600 acres of high grade land under cultivation and was listed with the top dozen farmers of the entire Jackson County ..." (Jackson County Sentinel, Vol. 15, Number 9, Tuesday, April 11, 1944).

The oldest child of John Fred and Katie Bell Holder, Judson Willie (J.W.) married Mary Allie Brown (1/15/1941) and currently lives on Long Island, near Stevenson, Alabama. J.W. and Mary Allie "Potty" have two children, Mary Francis and John Will.

Fred Emmett (b. 7/1/1922 d. 4/1/1994) married Norma Lou Rudder (9/20/1941). Fred Emmett Holder served as Sheriff of Jackson County from 1958-1962. His widow, Norma L., resides in Scottsboro, Alabama. Their only son, Fred Rudder Holder (b. 8/1/1950) now resides in Chattanooga, TN.

Wallace M. Holder (b. 11/18/1924 d. 1/27/1951) was married to Ripple Formby on 6/30/1944.

George 'Barber' Holder (b. 6/4/1926 d. 8/6/1983) married Beulah Harrison (8/12/1943) and they had two boys, Billy Jack (b. 9/10/1944) and John Fred (b. 4/21/1947). Beulah "Missy" Holder and both of her sons currently live in Jackson County.

N. Elizabeth Holder (b. 6/6/1928) married George Houston Dicus (b. 8/14/1922 d.). Elizabeth Holder Dicus currently lives in Scottsboro and like her deceased husband, is very active in the community.

Robert Eugene Holder (b. 3/1/1930) married Rena Mae Garner (b. 10/14/1927 d. 1/1997). They have four children: Thomas Eugene (b. 3/21/1950), Robert Larry (b. 9/24/1954), Randall Wallace (b. 10/20/1956), and Beth Renae (b. 12/2/1973). Robert "Bot" currently lives in Scottsboro.

Lina Kate Holder (b. 1/12/1935) married Bedford L. Lovelady (b. 3/14/1932) on June 6, 1953 and they have one son, Charles B. (b. 11/13/1954). Mrs. Lovelady owned and operated Mrs. Lovelady's Kindergarten for several years in Scottsboro. The Lovelady's have since retired and even though they spend a good deal of their time in Florida, they maintain a residence in Scottsboro.

The living children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren of John Fred and Katie Bell Holder continue to meet annually at the home of Elizabeth Holder Dicus to celebrate Christmas together. *Submitted by: Dr. Pamela J. Holder, 4500 Mountain Creek Road, Chattanooga, TN 37415*

James J. Holland

James J. Holland was born about 1825 at Maynard's Cove, the second child of John and Rhoda Davis Holland.

James married Sarah Jane Campbell in 1856. Their only child, son John T. was born in 1859 and Sarah died soon after his birth.

James married Hannah Ruth Collins on February 20, 1860 in Marshall County, Alabama. A daughter, Nancy Jane was born on October 23, 1861.

It is believed that James, Hannah and their two children settled in Holland's Cove in Paint Rock Valley. The Civil War was raging and when James was drafted, he hired a substitute to serve for him. However, the substitute came down with the fever and died before he could even go to war, so James had to serve. He contracted measles and died due to exposure in 1863 in a Confederate Army camp located at Murfreesboro, Tennessee. At a later date, Hannah Ruth had his body removed and returned to Paint Rock Valley, and buried in the Reid Cemetery at Estill Fork.

Hannah Ruth, not yet 30, was left with a two year old daughter and a four year old stepson. She needed to find support, as in those days, women just could not make a living for a family.

On October 4, 1866 Hannah Ruth married her late husband's double first cousin, Thomas Jefferson Holland.

For the rest of the story about Hannah Ruth, see the story on Thomas Jefferson Holland.

John T., son of James J. and Sarah Jane Campbell Holland went to California to look for gold. He died there about 1923 and it is believed that he found neither gold nor a wife. *Submitted by: James Robert Porter*

Sources: Tomie Anderson Porter, Bertha Cunningham Kirby, Nellie Pearl Butler McGahey, Annie Coleman Proctor collection

The Squire Holland Family

This article is about the family of Squire Holland and Roda Ridge. Not much is known about them but they did live in Jackson County, Alabama in 1850. They had 7 children listed in the 1850 Jackson County census. They were Preston, Elizabeth who married Reuben Brown, Bidly, Margaret who married Meredith Pickett, George, Frances M., and Thomas.

Squire also had a son named William who married Martha Harris about August 23, 1851, in Jackson County. This information was provided by an affidavit by his daughter Rosa when the children applied for William's Civil War pension. William and several of his brothers served in the Civil War. They were in Company C of the 3rd Regiment of the Tennessee Infantry.

After the war, William and his brothers Tom, George, and Francis M. left and went to Dent County, Missouri around 1870. Francis M. and George left Dent County about 5 years later and returned to the Jackson County area.

William passed away January 10, 1880 of consumption. Martha died April 4, 1885. They are buried at Montauk State Park at Dent County, Missouri. *Submitted by: Gerald Holland, 2837 Maine Court, Lawrence, KS 66046-4541*

Sources: 1850 Jackson County, Alabama U.S. census Pension Application of William Holland.

Thomas Jefferson Holland

Thomas Jefferson (T.J.) was born April 15, 1830, the fifth child of James and Myra Davis Holland of Maynard's Cove.

On March 11, 1852, T.J. married Mary Jane Foster, daughter of A.J. Foster.

Four children were born to T.J. and Mary Jane: Martha "Mattie", born 1858, married Logan Graham; Mary Pearl, born 1853, married James Latham; Anthony, born 1856, unmarried (?); Julia, born 1862, married David Ivy.

Mary Jane's death date is unknown, but estimated to be about 1865. Her death left T.J. with four children, and he needed to find a wife, housekeeper and mother for them.

On October 4, 1866, he married Hannah Ruth Collins Holland, the widow of his double first cousin, James J. Holland. Hannah's step-son, John T. and her daughter, Nancy Jane joined their four first cousins, and the family of eight made their home in Maynard's Cove.

T.J. and Hannah had two children of their own, daughters: Nellie, born 1867; and Woodie (named for an uncle, Wood Collins), born 1870. Both girls were educated in Winchester, Tennessee, then went to Texas to teach.

Woodie died at Golden, Texas in 1892. Years later, her sweetheart, Pat Kennamer of Jackson County, had a stone placed on her grave.

Nellie married Andrew J. Lowrey. She died in Glenview, Cook County, Illinois in 1944.

For the story on Nancy Jane Holland, see the story on Nellie Pearl Butler.

Thomas Jefferson (T.J.) Holland died on May 10, 1907. Hannah Ruth died of a stroke on January 13, 1911. They are buried at the Holland-Card Cemetery in walled up graves. *Submitted by: James Robert Porter*

Sources: Pearl Butler McGahey; Bertha Cunningham Kirby; Tomie Anderson Porter, Annie Coleman Proctor collection

The Family Of Bonnie Jean Hollaway And Billy Eugene Gray

Bonnie Jean Hollaway, born December 30, 1931, in Pleasant View, Jackson County, Alabama. She is the oldest daughter of

Thomas McKinley and Mattie T. Walker Hollaway, and the fourth of five children. The others were Cecil, Horace, Millard Oliver, and Glenda. The family moved to Pisgah, AL, when Bonnie was about three years old.

Bonnie began her schooling at Pisgah High School. During her 10th year, the family moved to Woodville, AL. She graduated from Woodville High School in 1950. During her school years at Woodville, she was active in the Junior Study Club and other school activities. After graduation, she began working at Hodges Dry Cleaners in Woodville.

During this time, she had kept in contact with Billy (Bill) Eugene Gray, a sweetheart from Pisgah School. Bill was the son of Roy and Ethel Gray. Bill had two sisters and a brother; Frances, Jacquelyn and Aubrey. The Gray family had moved to Rome, GA about the time the Hollaway family moved to Woodville. Bill joined the Army and served in the Korean War. After Bill returned from Korea, he and Bonnie were married on Oct. 20, 1951.

Bonnie and Bill lived in Rome, GA for a few years, and then moved to Wyandotte, Michigan. While living there they became the parents of a daughter, Susan Ann, born Mar 31, 1960. The family has lived in Georgia since 1961. Most of those years have been at Dallas, Ga.

Bonnie worked for 19 years for Dr. Sid Williams, a Chiropractor, and Si-Nel Publishing Company, which published chiropractic literature. During this time Bill worked for the Lanier Business Products and taught music (Guitar) after his work hours. Both, Bill and Bonnie were active members of the Baptist Church. Also, they had a gospel singing group, which was comprised of Bill's music students. This group made many public appearances. This group brought great joy to both, Bonnie and Bill. Also, Bill played guitar for a number of years with The Gospel Echos. Then in 1978, Bill became disabled. Things changed drastically. He has been confined to bed since then, and Bonnie had to quit her job to care for him.

Susan graduated from Paulding County High School, and went to work with United Parcel Services. She has been with them for 19 years. On October 20, 1984, Susan married Eddie Williams. They have one son, Joshua Samuel Williams, b. Sep 14, 1984. He attends Dallas Elementary School, where he is an honor student. Bonnie and Bill have enjoyed this grandchild very much. They have been able to spend a lot of time with him, since he stayed with them while his parents were at work. Both families reside in Dallas, GA. *Submitted by: Billy E. Gray, 2030 Villa Rica Hwy, Dallas, GA 30132*

Source: Family members

The Family Of Cecil Wilburn Hollaway And Lena Maurice Wright

Cecil Wilburn Hollaway was born in Pleasant View, Jackson County, AL, Dec 21, 1923. He was the first of five children of Thomas McKinley and Mattie Thomas Walker Hollaway. His brothers and sisters were: William Horace, Millard Oliver, Bonnie Jean, and Glenda. Cecil began his schooling at Clebeate Springs, a one teacher school in the Pleasant View Community. He always had fond memories of his teacher, Hula Caves Starkey. The family moved to Pisgah, AL after he completed the sixth grade. He graduated from Pisgah High School in 1941. During his senior year, he was one of the students chosen for a trip to Washington, D.C. Upon graduation, he worked with his father, and then began trucking, hauling lumber and coal.

On November 28, 1942, he married his school sweetheart, Lena Maurice Wright, b. Jan 9, 1927. She was the daughter of Nesbert and Obara Morrison Wright. Maurice had one sister, Shirley Wright Sides. Cecil and Maurice were the parents of two children: Carol Renee, b. May 29, 1948, and Cecil Wilburn, Jr., b. Nov 7, 1959.

Cecil and his family spell their name Hollaway, using "oway"



The family of Bill & Bonnie Gray - Bill & Bonnie Gray, Eddie and Susan Gray Williams, Joshua Williams

instead of Hollaway, which is the spelling of his parents and ancestors name. This probably came about by not writing clearly on legal documents.

Cecil was drafted into the Army prior to the end of World War II. Upon his discharge from service, Cecil returned to trucking and farming, until he lost his left hand and a portion of his arm in a farming accident. The accident necessitated a change in vocation. He applied for a job with Liberty National Life Insurance and was hired immediately. He retired from this company in 1987, after a very successful career.

Cecil and Maurice were active members in the Pisgah Baptist Church as well as their community. Cecil was a charter member of the Pisgah Civitan Club, served on the Town Council and helped obtain water, a new Town Hall, and organize a fire department. Maurice is a member of the Rhododendren Club and the Civitan Club. Both were very active in school support, always encouraging

the students to do their very best, in their studies, sports, or whatever activity they participated in. The community could always count on them, whenever there was a tragedy, sickness, or death.

Their children are also graduates of Pisgah High School. After graduation, Carol pursued her studies at Northeast AL State Jr. College where she received her Associate in Science (AS) degree in



The Cecil Holloway Family (circa 1991) Cecil & Maurice Holloway, Wilburn, Adam and Ben Holloway, Carol H. & Monroe Abernathy

1969. She received her Bachelor of Science (BS) from University of North Alabama in 1971, a Masters of Education (MA) from A&M University, Huntsville in 1974, and a Certificate of Advanced Study (AA) from University of Alabama, Birmingham, in 1976. Carol taught a number of years in the Jackson County School System, and presently teaches in the Fayette County School System. In 1994, she was nominated for Arvin Teacher of the year and in 1996, she was selected Fayette County Elementary Teacher of the Year.

On Dec 27, 1980, Carol married Monroe Abernathy, b. Feb 14, 1948, of Fayette, AL. Monroe has his own Home Building/Repair business. Also, he is a member of the Fayette County Farmers Federation. Both Monroe and Carol are active members of the Pilgrim Rest Baptist Church. They helped organize a Volunteer Fire Department and participate and support many other community and school events.

Cecil Wilburn, Jr. was very active in 4-H Club, and received several awards in show steer competition, and other 4-H Club events. After graduation from high school, he attended Northeast State Jr. College, then pursued his studies at Auburn University. Wilburn married Kayla Wilson, Sep 27, 1980. They were the parents of two children: Adam Wilburn, b. Jul 22, 1983 and Benjamin William, b. Nov 3, 1986. Adam and Ben attend school at Pisgah. Cecil was very devoted to his grandchildren, as was Maurice, who continues to demonstrate her love and devotion to them.

After a bout with cancer, Cecil passed away May 9, 1994. He is buried in the Pisgah Cemetery. Maurice continues to live in the home they shared for over 50 years. *Submitted by: Carol H. Abernathy, 592 Abernathy Rd., Fayette, AL 35555*
Source: Family Members

The Family Of Millard Oliver (Goode) And Mary Louise Cameron Hollaway

Millard Oliver (Goode) Hollaway was born in Elmdale, KS, Apr 4, 1929. He was the third of five children born to Thomas McKinley and Mattie T. Walker Hollaway. His brothers and sisters were: Cecil, Horace, Bonnie, and Glenda. The family moved back to their farm in Pleasant View, Jackson County, AL, when "Goode" was then one year old. He has lived in Jackson County since that time.

"Goode" began school at Clebeate Springs, in the Pleasant View Community. After he completed his first year of school, the family



Millard Oliver (Goode) Hollaway and wife, Mary Louise Cameron Hollaway on their wedding day, Nov 6, 1953.

moved to Pisgah, AL, on a farm adjacent to the Pisgah School campus. While attending school he worked many hours on the farm, and spent any leisure time horse-back riding. After graduation from Pisgah High School, the family moved to Woodville, AL.

While living at Woodville, he met his future wife, Mary

Louise Cameron, b. Nov 3, 1935, the daughter of Aubrey (Bud) and Irene Skelton Cameron. Mary has a brother, Carl, and a sister, Glenda. "Goode" and Mary were married Nov 6, 1953. He served two years in the Army, 1954-1956. Most of this time he and Mary spent in Albuquerque, New Mexico. After he was discharged, they made their home, in Woodville, on their farm.

"Goode" continued farming for himself, helping his parents, as well as driving a milk route for KRAFT. He discontinued the route for Kraft, and began building construction and repair. He was capable of doing all aspects of the work. He was never too tired nor the hour too late for him to help someone. The quality of his work was such that one person requested he build a house, even though "Goode" had a full-time job. It took over a year for "Goode" to complete the house, since the work had to be done after hours. Mary began her career with State National Bank and is presently employed with the First National Bank.

"Goode" and Mary are the parents of a daughter, Jennifer Arleen, b. Aug. 9, 1961.

Mary, her mother, and daughter are all graduates of Woodville High School. The dates of their graduation are very unique. Mary graduated in 1954, 25 years after her mother graduated in 1929, and Jennifer graduated in 1979, 25 years after Mary.

Jennifer married Robert Burks, Jun 3, 1984. Robert is the son of Bobby and Faye Burks of Woodville and is a graduate of Scottsboro High School, Northeast State Jr. College, and the University of Alabama, Huntsville. Jennifer and Robert are the parents of two children: Robert Kyle, b. Dec 13, 1989, and Erica Arleen, b. Oct 31, 1995. "Goode" and Mary are very devoted to these grandchildren.

"Goode" and Mary are both members of the Methodist Church, Mary has been a member since Aug 1946, and "Goode" since Jun 1952. They were very active in the Church and community, always helping someone in need. Even after "Goode" became disabled in 1990, they still demonstrate a concern for others. Because of his health, they sold their farm and moved to Scottsboro in 1993. *Submitted by: Mary L. Hollaway, 1810 Ruth Street, Scottsboro, AL 35768*
Source: Family Members

The Family of Doxey Wilburn Hollaway and Mary Samantha Holland

Doxey Wilburn Hollaway was born in Carroll County, Georgia, Apr. 30, 1868. He was the son of Samuel Hopkins Hollaway, b. Feb. 22, 1840, d. Jan. 14, 1910, and Sophia Sophronia Davis, b. Aug. 30, 1839, d. Jan. 10, 1925, who were married Jan. 18, 1859. Samuel later moved his family to Sand Mountain in the Pleasant View Community, Jackson County, AL. Samuel was a veteran and after the War Between the States, Samuel was concerned that there was no burial grounds available for the families in the area. He donated a two acre tract of land in the Northwest corner of his farm for a cemetery, which is a part of the Pleasant View Cemetery. After their deaths, Samuel and Sophia were buried in this cemetery. Doxey's paternal grandparents were Solomon Hollaway, b. 1805, d. Nov. 10, 1856, and Jane W. Cash, b. Jan. 2, 1806, d. Jul 23, 1857, who were married Apr. 29, 1824. They are buried in Carroll County, Georgia.

Wilburn was a tall handsome man who married the very petite (4'-10") Mary Samantha Holland, Sep. 16, 1888. Mary Samantha was born Nov. 10, 1872, in Carroll County, Ga. Her parents were Reverend Lindsey Nathaniel Holland, b. Mar. 12, 1839, d. Jan. 18, 1922, and Rebecca Sophronia Shelnut, b. Dec. 4, 1844, d. Aug 20,

1920, who married Jul. 10, 1860. Mary Samantha was the fifth of nine children. The other eight were: John Talbot Martin, b. Feb. 24, 1865, d. Mar. 24, 1943; James Marion, b. May 26, 1867, d. Jun. 1, 1954; Jefferson A. W., b. Oct. 5, 1868, d. Dec. 1, 1947; Joseph Henson, b. Sep. 18, 1870, d. Apr. 14, 1962; Nance Elizabeth, b. Oct. 20, 1874, d. Jan. 20, 1919; Harriett Safroney, b. Oct. 3, 1877, d. Jan. 7, 1951; Joshua Nathaniel, b. Oct. 8, 1879, d. Jun. 30, 1953 and Jasper William Christopher, b. Feb. 19, 1881, d. Feb. 23, 1950. This family moved from Georgia to Jackson County, Alabama and settled in the Pleasant View Community. The Hollands Chapel Methodist Church was named after Rev. Rev. L.N. Holland. Harriet and Jasper lived near the church and often times, the entire congregation would go to their house for dinner. There is a Holland Reunion held at this church each year on the first Sunday after the 4th of July.

Her paternal grandparents were Talton Holland, b. Jan. 15, 1809, d. Jan. 2, 1859 and Susan Lavina Shelnut, b. Oct. 6, 1811, d. Feb. 14, 1886, who were married Apr. 13, 1838. They resided in Haralson County, Georgia. The great grandparents were William Holland, b. circa 1775 and died before 1830, and Rebecca, b. 1776 (in Virginia), and died between 1850 and 1860. She is buried in Fayette County, Georgia.

Mary Samantha's maternal grandparents were John Shelnut, b. 1798, d. 1879, and Edna Cochran, b. 1810, d. 1883. Maternal great grandparents were Andrew J. Shelnut b. 1772, d. 1825, and Elizabeth Gentry, b. 1778, d. 1834. Her great, great grandfather was John Schelmeight (Germany).

Doxey Wilburn and Mary Samantha were the parents of four children: Ollie Safarno Lee, b. May 12, 1891, d. Aug. 22, 1920, married Jun. 2, 1907 to James L. Coulson, b. Nov. 18, 1875, d. 1965; John William, b. Aug. 12, 1893, d. May 31, 1958, married Dec. 9, 1915 to Claudia Olivia Whorton, b. Apr. 11, 1898, d. Jun. 22, 1941; Lottie Izetta, b. Jun. 11, 1897, d. Aug. 27, 1955, married Feb. 4, 1915 to James Don Allen, b. Nov. 11, 1891, d. Dec. 31, 1975; Thomas McKinley, b. Jul. 5, 1902, d. Dec. 3, 1959, married Nov. 12, 1922 to Mattie Thomas Walker, b. Jul. 2, 1905, d. Mar. 30, 1994.

Like their ancestors, Doxey Wilburn and Mary Samantha "Ma" were farmers. This family and the previous generations participated in the community and church activities. Doxey Wilburn died Nov. 10, 1903, at the very young age of 35. This left Mary Samantha to rear their four children, ranging in ages from 18 months to 12 years. This petite lady had a lot of "spunk" and all who knew her loved her. She was preceded in death by her two daughters. Ollie is buried in a cemetery in San Angelo, TX, and Ollie is buried in a cemetery in Wichita, KS. Mary Samantha died December 8, 1955 and was buried beside her beloved husband, Doxey, in the Pleasant View Cemetery. Submitted by: Glenda H. Hodges, 143 Cedar Crest Drive, Woodville, AL 35776.

Source: Family records

The Family of Thomas McKinley Hollaway and Mattie Thomas Walker

Thomas McKinley (Tom) Hollaway was born in Jackson County, Alabama, Jul. 5, 1902. He was the youngest child of Doxey Wilburn



*Doxey Wilburn & Mary Samantha Holland
Hollaway circa 1888*



*Rev. Lindsey Nathaniel and Rebecca
Sophronia Shellnut Holland (parents of Mary
Samantha Holland Hollaway) (late 1800s)*

Hollaway and Mary Samantha (Ma) Holland, who resided in the Pleasant View-Dutton community. Doxey died when Tom was only 18 months old, therefore, life was not easy for Ma Hollaway and her children. Tom began working at a very young age, doing on farm work and odd jobs.

At the age of 18 or 19, Tom began dating Mattie Thomas Walker, b. Jul. 2, 1905, daughter of Thomas Jefferson Walker and Mary Ellan Morris. Tom and Mattie were married Nov. 12, 1922, in Fort Payne, Alabama. They lived in the Pleasant View community, Jackson County, and worked on a farm, always with a dream of one day owning their own farm.

Tom and Mattie were the parents of five children: Cecil Wilburn, b. Dec. 21, 1923, d. May 9, 1994, married Nov. 28, 1942 to Lena Maurice Wright, William Horace, b. Nov. 29, 1925, d. Mar. 30, 1987; Millard Oliver (Goode), b. Apr. 4, 1929 married Nov. 6, 1953 to Mary Louise Cameron; Bonnie Jean, b. Dec. 30, 1931, married Oct. 20, 1951 to Billy Eugene Gray; and Glenda Rose, b. Oct. 14, 1934, married Dec. 22, 1950 to Kenneth Roy.

After the birth of the first two children, Tom and Mattie moved to Elmdale, Kansas to work on a farm.

While in Elmdale, their third son was born. Both Tom and Mattie worked very hard and spent their money wisely. They saved enough money, during the approximately three years working in Elmdale, to purchase 40 acres of land in the Pleasant View community, near the school site. Their two daughters were born while they lived at Pleasant View. Tom and Mattie were people that loved having their neighbors drop by for a visit or join them at mealtime.

They later sold their farm and purchased a house and small farm in Pisgah. While living at Pisgah, Tom farmed, worked in the summers driving a road grader for the county, had a small grocery store, owned and operated a sawmill in the winter months, and drove a school bus. Mattie helped with the store, farming and other chores. In addition, she was a wonderful cook. Also, the boys worked very hard, even while in school, and the girls assisted with chores around the house. Tom and Mattie purchased another small farm, and a dormitory that was located adjacent to the Pisgah school campus, and built a house, which they rented.

In 1947, Tom and Mattie sold their property at Pisgah and purchased a farm in Woodville. All the family moved to Woodville, except Cecil, who was married. After a few years of hard work, Tom purchased another farm nearby. In early 1950, a severe heart condition kept Tom from the hard work he was accustomed to doing. Gradually the farm operation was changed from growing crops to raising cattle. Horace had always lived with his parents and he became a partner in the farm operation. After Tom's death, Horace and Mattie continued the farm/cattle operation, with assistance "Goode."

Horace accumulated many artifacts from early American farm life. After he became disabled to work, he began trading some of these items, and was soon known as the "trader" ... People would often stop by to hear him tell of early days and "spin a few yarns." as Bill Easterling wrote in his column published in the Huntsville Times.

After Horace's death, Mattie continued to live on the farm, since



*Thomas McKinley and Mattie T. Walker
Hollaway circa 1922*



*Children of Tom & Martha Hollaway.
Horace, Glenda (Bit), Cecil, Bonnie, and
Millard (Goode)*

"Goode" and Mary lived next door. Even though "Goode" had a full time job, he assumed the responsibility of the farm operation with some assistance from Mattie. A few months after "Goode" suffered a ruptured aneurysm and was unable to work, Mattie sold the cattle and leased the farm. In 1990, she purchased a house in Pisgah, that was near Cecil, and moved there. She sold the farm just prior to her death.

Because Tom and Mattie's birth dates were so close, the family began the custom of having one birthday dinner for both. Relatives and friends were invited and often large crowds came. Tom had a "zest" for life and was active in the community, Mattie was of a quieter nature; one that enjoyed being with small groups. However, both loved to have friends stop and visit. People from all walks of life certainly did just that.

Tom died Dec. 3, 1959, after suffering a stroke and heart attacks. Mattie died Mar. 30, 1994, from congestive heart failure. Both are buried in Cedar Hill Cemetery, Scottsboro, AL. Horace is buried beside his parents in Cedar Hill Cemetery. *Submitted by: Lena Maurice Hollaway, 5796 County Road 88, Pisgah, AL 35765*
Sources: family members

The Hollis Family

John and Sarah (Smith) Hollis first moved to Alabama by 1828, as in August 1828, John Hollis bought merchandise at the estate sale of his deceased in-law, Jacob Smith, according to the earliest Jackson County Probate Court records. They were back in Cannon County, Tennessee for the 1830 and 1840 censuses. Their son, William Calvin Hollis married Martha DeLoach on June 29, 1841, in Cannon County, Tennessee.

William and Mary (DeLoach) Hollis' children were Rufus Calvin Hollis, born 1842, who married Mary Elizabeth Ligon; Sarah Hollis, born 1844, married Jim Nipp; Thomas Jacob Hollis, born 1846, married Margaret Bernice Ligon; Mary Ann Hollis, born 1849, married Jeff Ray; Martha Hollis, born 1852, married Henry Ray; Calpernia Hollis, born 1853, married a Wilson and Parilda Hollis, born 1858, married Joe W. Guffey. William and Martha (DeLoach) Hollis lived in Giles County, Tennessee where Martha died shortly after 1860, and William married Mary Ann Rambo as his second wife and had Ewell, Harvey, and John L. Hollis.

John and Sarah (Smith) Hollis moved back to Jackson County, Alabama in 1860. While visiting them in 1862, their grandson, Rufus, met his future wife just before he enlisted in Company K, Fourth Regiment of the CSA Army at Larkinsville. After the War was over, he returned to Jackson County and married Mary Elizabeth, the oldest daughter of Elijah Baker and Ann (Jackson) Ligon on October 8, 1865.

Thomas Jacob Hollis followed his brother to Jackson County and married the Ligon's youngest daughter, Margaret Bernice, on October 16, 1870. Like their father and grandfather, Rufus and Thomas Jacob Hollis were carpenters, and both helped construct the first Jackson County Court House built in Scottsboro (1868-1870).

Thomas Jacob and Bernice (Ligon) Hollis' children were Elijah Dozier Hollis, born July 30, 1871, married Rebecca Skelton; Georgia Ann Hollis, born January 5, 1875, married Marcus Barclay; James Ollie Hollis, born October 25, 1876, married Mary Cynthia Childress; and Arzillah May Hollis, born August 17, 1878, married Moses Richard Hays.

Georgia Ann and Marcus Barclays' children were Dovie May Barclay, Oscar Barclay who married Loula Thompson; Annie Bernice Barclay who married Sanford Brown; Vernie Barclay who married Fay Clemons; Thelma Barclay who married Lonnie Cunningham; and Edward Barclay who married Louise Maynor.

James Ollie and Mary Cynthia Hollis' children were Virginia Belle Hollis who married Houston Wilhelm and had Era Coe Wilhelm who married Leonard Barbee and had Ann Barbee who married Joseph DeLee Chambless and Martha Barbee who married Ronald Hess (see Wilhelm and Barbee family histories); Pearl Hollis; Dozier (Dee) Hollis who married Eadie Boshart; Mary Irene Hollis who married Will Freeman; Ruth Hollis who married Lonnie Scott; Thomas Edward Hollis who married Eleanor Dempsey; Bernice Hollis who married Allen Currie; Rebecca (Pud) Hollis who married John Calhoun Darnell; and Robert Lee Hollis.

Richard and May Hollis Hays' children were Armon Hays who married Alta; Vera Hays who married Fred Rice; Alma Hays who married Lawrence Johnson, and Ina Hays who married Jimmy Cunningham.

Rufus and Mary Elizabeth (Ligon) Hollis' children were William Mastin Hollis who married Mary Catherine Gross; Samuel Hollis who married Julia Barclay and had Ewell Hollis who married Irene Gideon and had Howard and Guy H. Hollis who married Sue Faust and had Mike Hollis; Martha Ann Hollis who married J. W. Skelton; Rufus Calvin Hollis, Jr. who married Dora Morgan; Matilda Evaline Hollis who married James B. Morgan; and two sons who died as infants, John Baker and Peter Hollis.

John Hollis (the first of this family to move to Alabama) was the son of William and Elizabeth (Reed) Hollis, Sr. who married February 15, 1790, in Rowan County, North Carolina, where John was born in 1795. William Hollis, Sr. was the son of John and Mary Hollis. John Hollis was born 1730 near London, England, and came to America as a young man. John Hollis is on the 1768 Rowan County, North Carolina Tax List, and the 1790 and 1800 censuses of Rowan County, NC. He and Mary were members of the Jersey Baptist Church in Rowan County for a number of years before following their sons to Rutherford County, Tennessee in 1808. Much of his family history has been gleaned from the Revolutionary War pension application filed by his son, William Hollis, Sr. after John Hollis' death in 1832 in Rutherford County, Tennessee. The John Hollis who died in Jackson County, Alabama in 1870 is a grandson of the Revolutionary War patriot, John Hollis, who lived to be 102 (1730-1832.) *Submitted by: Greg Hess*

Ms. Allie Ruth Horton

Sister Allie Horton professed hopes in Christ at the early age of ten and was baptized in 1919. She became a devoted member of Friendship Baptist Church of Fackler, Alabama, where she served



Ms. Allie Ruth Horton

faithfully in all auxiliaries. She was married at age 16 and became a devoted wife and mother of three children. She has been a firm believer of prayer to which she contributes her strong determination to strive forward to greater heights continuously trusting in God through her many trials and tribulations. She joined St. Elizabeth M. B. Church in 1948 and later became a devout believer in our Lord and Savior. The dedication and leadership inspired her into the ministry in 1960. Throughout her life in the ministry, she has fought against principalities, the wiles of the devil, powers of darkness, and spiritual wickedness of this world. Her ministry has been devoted mainly to the A.O.H. Church of God which was recently dedicated in her name through the construction of a new temple now known as Horton's Temple A.O.H. Church of God. *Submitted by: Committee, Archie Stewart, 217 Walnut Street, Scottsboro, AL 35768.*

Henry Hollis Horton

Henry Hollis Horton and Anne Elizabeth Moore were the parents of twelve children - six boys and six girls. Two of the boys became doctors, one was a pharmacist and one was a lawyer and school teacher who became governor of the State of Tennessee. There is a State Park named Henry Horton State Park.

Henry was born in the Maxwell Community in Franklin County Tennessee, son of William Evritt and Telitha Jane Horton. He grew up on their farm and married Anne Elizabeth Moore, daughter of Carey H. Moore and Mary Ashlin of Williamson County Tennessee.

Although I do not know what he did during the first 15 years of his marriage, from 1869 until nearly his death in 1892, Henry supported his family through his ministry to the Baptist Church. He was involved early with the Salem Church in Franklin County but by the early 1860s he had moved his young family to Jackson County, Alabama. They settled in the Paint Rock Valley and in 1866 he was the delegate from Mt. Nebo Church to the Tennessee River Association of the Baptist Church. He was ordained as a minister in 1868 and began his service at the Freedom and Beech

Grove churches. During the early 1870s he also served churches at Trenton, Princeton and Mt. Nebo.

From 1873 until 1876 Henry returned to Franklin County but by 1879 had returned to Jackson County where he remained until his death. All of this information is found in Nashville at the Baptist Archives, although records are missing for much of the 1880s. In 1889 he was in Scottsboro at the Center Point Church but had no church assignment from then until his death. He is also reported to have been a merchant in Scottsboro but I have no further details of that. The Scottsboro Citizen reported in December 1883 that "Rev. H. H. Horton's appointment to the office of county superintendent for Jackson County schools gives general satisfaction. He is an esteemed minister in the Missionary Baptist Church and is a gentleman of the highest integrity."

Rev. Horton died in Bridgeport on the evening of June 22, 1892. His obituary as it appeared in the July 21, 1892 issue of the Alabama Baptist newspaper states that he "devoted the last 25 years of his life to the ministry, having joined the Baptist church in his teens. He leaves a widow and a large family of children to mourn his loss. The writer, with Bro. W. R. Ivey, accompanied the family with the remains to Winchester." (Franklin County, Tennessee) I have not been able to locate the graves of either Henry or his wife, who was also transported to Franklin County following her death in 1920.

Several of the Horton children remained in Jackson County. Robert Cary Horton married Sarah Fannie Robertson; Martha Elizabeth married John Daniel Smith; Susie Amanda married John William Gay and James Marion married Susie Willis Woods. Maggie Louella married David Anderson Padgett and they are discussed in a separate entry. Submitted by: Margaret Padgett Partee, 3395 Hunters Point Pike, Lebanon, TN 37087.

Sources: Baptist Archives, Family Bible, Census Record and Vital Records.

Thurston Horton

Mr. Thurston Horton was born in Marshall County and moved to Jackson County at an early age. After his move, he worked at several jobs; pulled ice at Clyde Spivey's Ice Plant, Charlie Beard's Grocery, Nix's Laundry which later became Shook's where he worked for many years.

In 1962 he became the maintenance man at Carver High School. When the school was integrated in 1968, Thurston went to work at the Junior High and remained there until his retirement in 1971. He worked part time as the janitor at the Scottsboro City Board of Education Office on Scott Street.



Thurston Horton

Thurston was a mason for 55 years, having served as the Worshipful Master of The Lily of the Valley Lodge, No. 171, Hollywood, AL for 45 years. He was a faithful member of Joyce Chapel United Methodist Church where he served as a trustee, treasurer and the general overseer when the pastor was away.

Thurston was well known and loved by the people of Jackson County and Scottsboro. He was a man who could be depended on for he always said, 'his word is his bond.'

Thurston and his wife, Leola lived on Poplar Street. They had no children of their own, but helped raise several in the community. They were happy at home with their two poodles, Knappy and Wally. Submitted by: Mary Abernathy

The Story of William Harvey (Nubbin) Little and Delphia (Little) Houk

This is the true story of two orphaned children, William Harvey (Nubbin) Little Sr. and Delphia Hasseltine (Little) Houk. Harvey

and Delphia's mother, Fannie, died when they were 4 and 2. Their father was shot and killed when they were 6 and 4. But we are getting ahead of the story so let's back up and begin with the ancestors.



Delphia (Little) Houk and William Harvey (Nubbin) Little, August 1991

Grandparents were Jonas Little born in Georgia 7/18/1848. He married Mary Caroline (Mollie) Walker who was born 6/29/1850 in Georgia. They were in Jackson County in 1871 as they were married here 11/14/1871. They were married by H. H. Horton, MG at the home of Hiram Little. We think this was his brother. Mollie's parents were Capt. Martin Walker and Mary Ann Walker. Martin was born 9/17/1824 and died after a short illness 2/1/1902. His wife, Mary Ann, was born 11/12/1827 and died one week after her husband, 2/8/1902. No cause of death is given. Their son, William, died in Texas the same week making 3 members of one family in one week. Martin and Mary Ann were buried at the Walker Cemetery located between Garth and Trenton, Ala. This is a very old cemetery. No one we know has been buried there since 1938. A daughter, Jo Ella Walker Kirkpatrick, born 5/28/1861, wife of Claiborne Kirkpatrick died December, 1896 is buried there also in an unmarked grave.

Jonas and Mollie's son Joseph Clarence Little was born 8/28/1887. He married Fanny (Hill) born 3/27/1890. They were both born in Jackson County, Ala. They were married 11/11/1906 at Garth, Ala. by J. C. Mudiner, Justice of the Peace. Their son, William Harvey Little Sr. was born 8/12/1907 at Garth, Ala. Their daughter, Delphia Hasseltine was born 8/1/1909 also at Garth. Their mother, Fannie, died of pneumonia 9/12/1911 and is buried at Walker Cemetery. Her father-in-law, Jonas died Sept. 21, 1911, 9 days later, no cause of death is given. He is also buried at Walker Cemetery.

Clarence Little was shot and killed at the Paint Rock, Ala. Train Depot 3/25/1913. He was buried at Walker Cemetery also. At one time he had a very beautiful tombstone. No signs of it is there now. No one knows what happened to it. Cattle was turned into the cemetery and destroyed many tombstones. He is not even mentioned as being in an unmarked grave in the Paint Rock Valley Pioneers Cemetery book in 1986. Members of the family know he is buried there. He was killed by a member of the family. No names will be mentioned as all have died who were involved. The man was sentenced to prison and served some years and escaped. He lived in Texas until he was an old man and came back to Alabama. He was pardoned for the crime.

Harvey and Delphia were left orphans in 1913. Their grandmother, Molly Walker, and 3 aunts, Hasseltine (Hassie) and Emma Little and Sue Henshaw stepped in and helped raise them. Their grandmother, Mollie died 8/28/1938 and was buried at the Walker cemetery. No marker is there for her but family members know she was buried there. Hassie (Hasseltine) was accidentally shot and killed by a nephew. A gun was under a bed and it wasn't supposed to be there. It was taken out by the nephew to be moved. He thought it was unloaded and the gun went off and shot her in the head killing her. She is also buried at Walker Cemetery with no marker. This was in the 1930s. Aunt Sue Hinshaw was born 1877 and died in 1964. Aunt Emily (Emma) Little was born 9/22/1874 and died 1/17/1974. She was 8 months away from celebrating her 100th birthday. Sue and Emma are both buried at Paint Rock, Ala. Cemetery.

Delphia married Ollie M. Houk August 25, 1925 at the age of 16. Ollie was born 5/6/1904. Delphia and Ollie had 6 children: Harold Loyd born 1/30/1927 and died April 1993. He is buried at Gurley, Ala. Daughters: Hazel (Houk) Sanders born 9/30/1930, Dorothy (Houk) Walker, born 5/30/1934, Christine (Houk) Dean born 10/26/1936, Ruth (Houk) Manzell born 5/25/1940, Evelyn (Houk) Tipton born 9/5/1945. Delphia was widowed May 19, 1997 was 71 years of marriage to Ollie. Ollie was laid to rest at Paint Rock, Ala. Cemetery. They have 11 grandchildren and 7 great grandchildren.

Harvey (Nubbin) was 18 when he married Willie Mae Smart

who was born 2/28/1909 in Jackson County, Ala. Her parents were Edward and Annie Smart of Jackson County. Her mother died when her baby sister, Nell, was 2 years old. Harvey and Willie Mae were married 11/2/1925. We think they were married in Jackson County, Ala. but can find no record of this. They had 6 sons and 1 daughter. They are: Clarence born 3/9/1927, William Harvey Jr. born 10/22/1929, Doris Gene born 3/16/1937 and killed in a car accident July 4, 1955. He is buried at Flanagan Cemetery located near Trenton, Ala. A baby boy was born between Doris and Nita and was stillborn. We think his name was James. He is buried in a garden in an unmarked grave on the Old Ollie Kennemer's farm and near H. T. and Maggie Gattis' home. No birth date is remembered. This is between Garth and Trenton, Ala. Juanita (Nita) (Little) Drake born 11/3/42, Glenn born 10/28/1944, Jerry born 11/3/1947 and Dennis born 12/1/1953. Five generations were of the family when our mother, grandmother and wife passed away from a stroke 1/16/1986. She is also buried at the Flanagan Cemetery. Harvey and Willie Mae were married 61 years and 2 months when she passed away. Harvey married Melva Fowler in June 1987. They had been married 5 years when he died of a heart attack June 10, 1992. He is also buried at Flanagan Cemetery. They had 14 grandchildren, 18 great grandchildren and 11 great great grandchildren.

Harvey and Delphia had similar lives as they married at 16 and 18. They had the same amount of living children. Delphia had 5 daughters and 1 son. Harvey had 5 sons and 1 daughter living today. They always celebrated their birthdays with the families from both sides in August as this was their birth month. Delphia is age 88 at this time and her health seems to be very good considering her age. She is very lovingly taken care of by her 5 devoted daughters. Today there are over 99 descendants of Harvey and Delphia.

Footnote: Delphia (Little) Houk passed away 9/16/97 at the age of 88 years, 1 month and 15 days. She died 4 months after her husband, Ollie Houk. She was buried at Paint Rock, Ala. Cemetery. Submitted by: Karen (Little) Chambers, Harvey's granddaughter, 74 Co. Rd. 183, Woodville, AL 35776 and Christine (Houk) Dean, Delphia's Daughter, 7995 Co. Rd. 8, Woodville, AL 35776.

Sources: Family Records, Marriage Records, and the Paint Rock Valley Pioneers Cemetery Book 1986

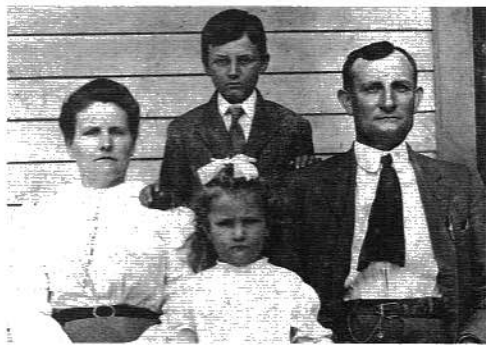
Houser

Like a lot of other families, the Housers came to the US in the 1700s. The Housers came from Germany and a lot of them settled in Franklin County, Virginia. Around 1828 they came to Rhea Co. Tennessee later to Meigs Co.

Josiah Houser born in 1794 in Va. married Matilda (last name unknown).

Josiah Houser, Jr. born 1822 in Va. married Louisa Davis.

Louisa must have died after the 5th child was born, the 1900 census records show he is married to Mary E. Keith, married Dec. 17, 1899 in Rhea County.



Jerome Houser, Martha (Sweet) Hawes Houser and Children, Claude Lee and Margie

Jerome P. Houser born 1877 in Meigs County, Tn. married Martha (Sweet) Hawes in Jackson Co. Alabama. They had two (2) children, Claude Lee (1900-1974) married Margaret Ann Maxwell of Hampton, Fl. Children Marguerite married Bill Miner, ch/ William Lee, ch/ Melissa and Michelle; Jean married Winford Hamp-

ton ch/ Anne married Robert Mitchell Ch/ Scarlet, Stephanie, and Kristi; Phil married Georgia Goforth ch/ Leanne and Matthew; Jenny married Greg Waggoner ch/ Alisha, Jacob and Erica; Joe and Peggy; Martha married Bobby Fisher; Claude Allen married Stella McCoy ch/ Ronald Lee; Sheri married Clarence Hughes ch/Keith and Brad; Donna married Larry Davis ch/ Celeste Foshee; Amelia married Mark Rowland ch/ Rachel and Charles.

Daughter, Margie married Raymond Colley ch/ Shirley married Howard Slazman ch/ Lisa and Leslie; Frances married Monti

Gurwitt ch/ Margie and Martha; Jerry, deceased. Jerome was a farmer and sawmiller. Jerome and Mr. Arthur Wheeler had a pencil factory in Stevenson, Al. The two were also partners in a sawmill and a factory to build pre-built houses. Jerome and Sweet made their home on Sand Mountain between the top of the mountain and Flat Rock. They lived in a log house very near the house where Claude Al and Stella have lived since 1953. Jerome built a two story house and storebuilding with post office, located down the hill from the log house. The store burned, date unknown. The post office was moved a few miles to the top of the mountain to Fabius where Mr. John Hawes and family ran the post office. It remained in that family until 1985.

Jerome and his family moved to Hampton, Fl. and lived there for several years. He had a Gulf Oil Distributorship and owned a hotel on Hampton Lake. Jerome died in Florida and is buried in Santa Fe Cemetery in Hampton. Sweet died Feb. 1956, buried there also. Claude came back to Jackson Co. around 1933 hoping to reclaim his family farm.

They went to Yucca Valley and bought the store goods from Lawrence Sternes who had the only store in the valley. Mrs. Maggie ran the store and Claude bought, cut and sold timber. While in the valley they bought the Eaton place across the road from the Houser home place. Claude built a store building and moved his family to the mountain in 1937. Mrs. Maggie took the duties of running the store while Claude still worked buying and selling timber. They closed the store in 1958 and built a new house, Claude farmed with his son, Al up until a few years before his death in 1974. He is buried in Smith Cemetery near his home place. This same property still remains in the Houser family today with some of five generations still living on it.

Margie died in 1988, buried in Santa Fe Cemetery.

Maggie is over 95 years old at this writing. Submitted by: Stella McCoy Houser, 1553 County Road #81, Flat Rock, AL 35966.

The Howard Hawkins Family of Bryant

Howard Lee Hawkins (05/31/1893-08/14/1979) was the son of William F. and Sarah Zuella Haynes Hawkins of Carroll County, Georgia. William's father, John Thomas Hawkins, a tanner in Carrollton and later in Villa Rica, was a bootmaker during the Civil War. Sarah's grandfather, Jonathan Haynes served two terms as State Senator from Carroll Co. Her father, John Monroe Haynes served with the Villa Rica Gold Diggers in the Civil War and was wounded at the Battle of Chancellorsville. The Hawkins family



Howard and Lonia, Ruth and Emsey Hawkins - 1920

moved to Morgan County, Alabama, around 1889. Here Howard Lee Hawkins was born and grew up. In his teens, he went to boarding school at Snead Seminary in Boaz, Alabama.

Lonia Mae Winkler (12/08/1898-12/27/1991) was the daughter of Rev. Julius F. and Mary Rosella Gossett Winkler of Bartow County, Georgia. Lonia's grandparents were Miles Allan and Sarah Finley Winkler and Washington

Marcus LaFayette Gossett and Sarah Popham Gossett. Lonia was born in Georgia. The Winkler family came to Alabama in 1903. Julius Winkler was a Methodist minister and the family lived in various east Alabama counties as the conference moved them. Lonia went to Snead Seminary in 1913.

It was at Snead that Howard and Lonia met. In interviews in 1986, Lonia recalled their meeting: "Howard worked with the girls picking beans and milking cows because that was his job — the stock and garden and fields. I was a vegetable girl and had to pick beans, and Howard helped us. I saw him casting his eyes at me. I didn't think too much about it. But it kept growing, every chance I got!"

They were married November 21, 1916, in Chattanooga, and

came directly to Bryant to make their home. Lonia recounted those early days at Bryant: "After we got married, we got on the train and came right on up here to the mountain. Mr. and Mrs. George Call lived in a little cottage down towards our old place. It had an upstairs and that's where we stayed the first six weeks we were married while Howard was getting our house ready for us. In the deal, for \$400.00, we got 40 acres of land, 20 head of chickens, two old mules and the cow plus fodder and corn to feed them that winter.

"Howard worked on our house and got it so we could move in. We had one room in the house that we were able to live in. It was just a hull of a house with building paper tacked on it for ceiling to keep us out of the cold. But we didn't mind the cold! I had Mrs. Sharitt's piano and we had the bed and a cook stove with the pipe stuck up the chimney of the fireplace. I had an old homemade cabinet for my dishes and cookware. We lived in that one room till spring, and then Howard fixed up the shed-room for the kitchen.

"We split rails and fenced in three acres to keep the cows out; didn't have stock laws — free range. Howard split the rails and I helped him saw them in two. I couldn't do the splitting, but I could carry them, that wasn't hard to do, and working with Howard was a pleasure. He was my husband, and I thought the best man in the world!"

The marriage lasted for 62 years and 8 months. They were parents of 11 children: Emsey Kelso Hawkins, Edna Ruth Hawkins Hill, Laura Lorene Hawkins Whitten Armstrong, Sally Louise Hawkins Vann, William Eskell Hawkins, Newell Amos Hawkins, Raymond Lee Hawkins, Julius Ralph Hawkins, Catherine Marie Hawkins Dobbs, Vera Inez Hawkins Barnett, Ola Florence Hawkins Cerutti Evers. From these children came 35 grandchildren.

And it all started in a vegetable garden at Snead Seminary!
Submitted by: Joseph L. Whitten, P.O. Box 125, Odenville, AL 35120.

Harold Boyd Hughes, Sr.

Harold Boyd Hughes, Sr., retired public school teacher, sixth child of Leon Herbert Hughes, Sr. and Carrie Shaw Hughes, was born on December 25th or 26th, 1922. He was reared in a Christian house with four siblings on Battery Heights among the Victorian and Elizabethan homes overlooking the beautiful Tennessee River. Educated in the Bridgeport Public Schools where he graduated in 1941 with honors, Balfour Medal, Chamber of Commerce Award, and the Bridgeport Literary Club Award which he covets the most. Harold entered the Literary Club short story contest when in his Junior year. He still does not know how his story made it thru the judging and came up number one. Being a Junior, he could not receive the award as it was reserved for the Senior Class. So, the next year he entered a different short story and came up number one again. He reads that story once a year and in one scene it brings tears to his eyes.

Harold worked in his father's furniture store and was making deliveries, running a collection route in Stevenson, Orme, and South Pittsburg as soon as he received his twenty-five cent Drivers License — no written test or road test. He later became a Driver Education teacher.

He attended David Lipscomb College, 1941-43, a Junior College operated by members of the church of Christ but not by the church. He volunteered for the Navy V-5 program and was sent to Emory University in Chandler, GA, then to U. of South Carolina, U. of Georgia, Okla. at Norman, Patrol Duty over the Gulf of Mexico out of Corpus Christy, TX, Miami Naval Air Station, FL, mustered out at Jacksonville. He entered the U. of Alabama, 1946 and was tapped to teach a Freshman class in the Dept. of Engineering, Fall 1947. During the summer of 1947, he and his parents with his eldest sister and a cousin went on a driving tour of the Southwest, West Coast, Northwest into Canada, and return thru South Dakota, Oklahoma, and Arkansas back to Bridgeport — about 10,000 miles in 30 days.

1948, he entered the Army Air Corp which was being converted to the US Air Force. He marched in Harry Truman's parade in Washington, D.C. He was transferred to the Air National Guard and returned to Bridgeport to work again in the furniture store with his father and brother Billy, (William James Hughes, Sr., husband of Peggy Murray and father of Jim, Nancy, and Murray Hughes). His eldest brother Leon Herbert Hughes, Jr., retired from the Navy with the rank of Lt. Commander. Eldest sister Maurine was a teacher and later VA Hospital Librarian in KY, NC, and Birmingham, AL. Next sister Virginia was a teacher in Jackson Co. and Home Economist in Tennessee Electric Power Co.,

Eastern Tenn. Power Co., and Rural Electric Administration in Washington DC and Austin, TX.

Harold served on the local Boy Scout Committee and was President of the Jackson County Boy Scout committee, was Sec. for the local Woodmen of the World, is a charter member of the Bridgeport Lions Club, served as Greeter, VP, President, several committees, and now Secretary. He was Sec-Treas. of the old Tri-City Hospital and was President of the Chamber of Commerce when he asked Stevenson to switch their Hill-Burton Old age Home application to a Hill-Burton Hospital and was on the site committee to pick the location. Also made a request at the PTA to co-sponsor the BHS band.

Harold went back to college and obtained a degree in Education Math/Science and became the Science Teacher at BHS under Principal E. Rudder Knox in 1958. He was awarded two National Science Foundation Grants at Tufts U. and also taught in Massachusetts. Returning to BHS, was President of the PTA, VP of the Alabama Driver and Safety Education Association, State Driver Ed. Teacher of the year and Sec/Treas. of the association. To become a certified Dri. Ed. Teacher, he had courses at Athens U., Montevalla, and Auburn at Montgomery. He took an unrelated course from the U. of KY via satellite on the NESCC campus at Rainsville, AL.

In his retirement, he is a charter member and VP of the Bridgeport Area Historical Association, Secretary of the Lions Club, Commander of the N. B. Forrest Camp 579 of the Sons of the Confederate Veterans, Chairman of the Citizens Action Committee, VIP at Russell Cave National Monument, and Charter President of the Hughes and Related Families International, Inc., Stuart, Patrick County, VA.

Harold and his wife Betty Jo reside in Bridgeport. *Submitted by: Betty Jo Hughes.*

William James "Jim" Hughes, Jr.

William James "Jim" Hughes, Jr., (1947-) g-grandson of William James Hughes (1818-1882), g-son of L. H. "Buddy" Hughes, Sr., son of William James "Billy" Hughes, Sr., named Volunteer of the Year 1996 by EDAA (Economic Development Association of Alabama). Jim is General Manager of Bridgeport Utilities. The award was awarded in January 1997 in Birmingham. This award places Jim among the great leaders and volunteers in the State of Alabama. In 1993, Elmer Harris of the Alabama Power Co., 1994, Will H. Tankersley, Chairman of Forefront Montgomery, and 1995, Dr. David Bronner, Chief Executive of Alabama Retirement Systems of Alabama are past awardees. The award is based on years of involvement in recruiting industrial and expansion of projects with particular credit given for his role in the Beaulieu and U.S. Gypsum plants to locate in Alabama.

Jim is Chairman of the Industrial Development Board and will represent Alabama at the Southern Economic Development Council in Winston-Salem, N.C. He is the past president of the Bridgeport Chamber of Commerce, is a member of the Board of Directors of the Scottsboro-Jackson County Chamber, and a Past President of the Alabama Natural Gas Association.

Jim attended the Bridgeport Schools and was an outstanding basketball player. He attended the U. of Alabama and played football for Bear Bryant. He began working for the Utilities Board in the filtering and processing section.

He is married to the former Kimberley Ann Page and they have a son Nicholas Price Hughes and a daughter Rachel Elizabeth Hughes. *Submitted by: Kimberley Ann (Page) Hughes*
Sources: Personal Knowledge.

Leon Herbert Hughes, Sr.

Leon Herbert Hughes, Sr., May 18, 1878-May 24, 1965 tenth child of William James Hughes and Virginia Johnson, born at Rocky Springs in Jackson County, Alabama. Educated at the Rocky Springs School and Burritt College in Spencer, Tennessee. He taught school in Kimball, Tennessee. In 1903, he and his cousin Joe Johnson began a mercantile business in the Witcher Building on Alabama Avenue in Bridgeport. He later bought out his partner and remained in business until age 75 when he retired and turned the business over to his three sons. The business is now run by a grand-nephew.

On January 26, 1906, Mr. Leon Herbert Hughes and Miss Carrie Veal Shaw were united in Holy Wedlock by Professor James William Grant, MG and President of Alatennga College in

Bridgeport. They had six children: Elizabeth Maurine, Unnamed son, Sudie Virginia, L. H. Jr., William James "Billy", and Harold Boyd Hughes.

L. H. (Buddy) Hughes, Sr., was very active in the church of Christ serving as an Elder for well over 50 years. He was active in his civic duties having served as City Clerk when it was a part time job, Representative in the State Legislature, City Board of Aldermen, Mayor, City Board of Education, Jackson County Board of Education, Victory Bond Chairman, Chairman of Draft Board, and held offices in the Chamber of Commerce, Woodmen of the World, and was an Honorary Member of the Lions Club. *Submitted by: Harold Hughes*

Robert Enoch Hughes

Robert Enoch "Bob" Hughes, (b. 12/9/85 - d. 4/26/55) lived in Hodge, located 2½ miles west of Dutton. In 1917 he married Oceana Quintilla Cothran (b. 10/2/86 - d. 4/24/74) of Dutton. Bob was a farmer and owned a country store, a sawmill, and a gristmill.

He was considered a community leader and worked to keep the Hodge School (grades 1-6) open, serving as a trustee. He took pride in being a "yellow dog" Democrat and worked tirelessly to help elect Bob Jones to his first term in Congress. He considered Congressman Jones a friend for life.

Though Bob was never active in church, he believed that others should attend and donated the land for a non-denominational church to be built. He, George Jenkins, Cat Bynum and others built the church which was to become Hodge Baptist Church. Before the church building was constructed, religious services were held in the Hodge School. Summer time tent revivals were held in his pasture and on one occasion on his front lawn. At Christmas each year, he and Oceana hosted a community Christmas with neighbors gathering on their front lawn for Santa Claus. The large spruce tree was covered with toys for the children, and Santa always made an appearance with a bag of fruit and candy for all.

He and Oceana boarded the teachers who served the two-room school just down the road. Grace Kennamer of Scottsboro and Sue Outlaw were just two of the teachers who boarded and taught at the little school. The school building is still standing today as a residence, but closed in August 1955, just three months after Bob Hughes's death.

His father was Lawrence Hughes and his mother was Louisa Simmons Hughes. Louisa's grandmother was a full Cherokee Indian who lived in the South Sauta area of Jackson County. In 1838 when the Cherokees were removed to Oklahoma, one of Louisa's uncles hid his mother from the soldiers and went west as a scout. The family has always been proud of their Cherokee ancestry.

He had one brother, Sloan, and three sisters - Florence Nichols, Sarah Murphree, and Amanda Allen. Each of his siblings have descendants residing in Jackson County. He and Oceana are survived by two daughters - Mary Lou Clemens and Toni McGriff of Dutton. *Submitted by: Toni H. McGriff, 3733 C/R 124, Dutton, AL 35744.*

William James Hughes

William James Hughes was born in Warren County Tennessee and was sent to Rocky Springs Jackson Co. AL 1818 at age 4 to live with his uncle William J. Price after his mother Christina P. Hughes died. His father Nicholas and 5 brothers came in the twenties.

W.J. Price made sure that his nephew was educated, prepared him to be a Justice of the Peace. W.J. Hughes had offices in Copenhagen, AL-TN as well as Bridgeport. He collected debts, settled disputes, heard cases of murder. He served in the Indian War. He kept records of materials that the Union Army occupying Bridgeport took without compensation during The War Between the States. The timber was used to build boats, repair railroad and bridges at Bridgeport.

W.J. Hughes descended from Hugh Hughes of Wales who arrived in VA on the ship Guifte in 1623, listed in Martin's Hundred Census with a son. The Hugh Hughes and the Orlando Hughes lines produced the infamous Howard Robard Hughes, Jr.

W. J. H. married Sarah P. Gilliland and had 8 children. After Sarah died he married Virginia Johnson (dau of Berry Johnson, 1st cousin of President Andrew Johnson) and had 4 more. (See article on Leon Herbert Hughes, Sr.)

W.J.H. inherited farm land in Rocky Springs from his Uncle William J. Price. The will was made before W.J. Price gave the

Rocky Springs Church of Christ 7 acres for a cemetery, church, and a school. W.J.H. was the executor of his uncle's estate and discovered that the church deed of 1860 was not signed by Malinda Gaines Price the wife of W.J.P. W.J.H. and wife Sarah made a second deed in 1870, both deeds and surveys are on record at the Court House. *Submitted by: Harold Hughes*

Mrs. Mariah Brown Hunter

Mrs. Mariah Brown Hunter was born in the Big Cove area of Madison County. She was a member of Shilo Missionary Baptist Church in Woodville, Alabama where she was an active member for fifty-five years. She touched the lives of many people through her faith in Christ and Christianity. She was an advocate of Old Time Christianity and Religion. *Submitted by: Committee, Archie Stewart, 217 Walnut Street, Scottsboro, AL 35768.*

The Huntoon Family

Traveling from Ohio by oxen-drawn covered wagon, the Huntoon family arrived in Jackson County on November 22, 1889 and settled in the town of Hollywood. Family members at that time were my grandfather C. M., grandmother Clara, their daughters Nora and Maude, son J. F., and baby daughter Fern. Sons Cliff and Clem were born later in Hollywood.

C. M., aided by 7 year old J. F., cleared and broke land for farming. They used the oxen that had brought them, along with a team of

young steers named Buck and Ball. In 1898 C. M. helped establish Hollywood's chief industry, the Alabama Brick and Tile Company.

The children's formal education was limited to the one-room school in the same building where the family attended church services. Only the youngest son, Clem, had the



Frank Huntoon at Airheart Gin Office

opportunity to travel by horseback to Scottsboro and graduate from Jackson County High School. His expenses were paid by J. F., who was working at that time at Hollywood's cedar mill.

In the 1920's all the family except J. F. moved away from Alabama. J. F., known by most people as "Mr. Frank," continued to live in Hollywood until his death in 1971. During those years he continued to farm on a small scale, worked at road building with the WPA during the Depression, and spent many years as bookkeeper for local cotton gins. The longest period of time was twenty-three years with the Airheart Gin in Scottsboro.

In addition to his regular employment, J. F. served on many juries, helped with elections, and volunteered time for projects such as construction of Sunday School rooms at Hollywood Baptist Church. Like the rest of the Huntoon family, he was a man of his word, and because he genuinely cared about people, he was always willing to help family members, friends and co-workers as much as possible.

J. F.'s first marriage, to Lula Starkey, ended with her death, following the death of their infant daughter, Laura Clara. Then in 1936 he married the former Pearl Matthews and became stepfather to her daughters, Mary Lou and Lennis Dawson. In 1942, when he was almost sixty years old, his daughter Nora was born. He was a wonderful dad, always believing in me and encouraging me, and generally being my best friend.

I feel fortunate to have grown up as a member of the Huntoon family. They were a close-knit loving family with natural intelligence and wit; and I knew I had love and support, not only from Dad, but also from my uncles and aunts. *Submitted by: Nora Huntoon Inglis, 401 Tyler Street, Scottsboro, AL 35768.* Sources: Family letters and memories.

John Luther Hurt

(1894-1956)

Although nearly blind from childhood, John Luther Hurt, earned a living, owned his home, and provided a college education

for his daughter while working as a newspaper carrier in the small town of Bridgeport.

After attending the Alabama School for the Blind, he worked several jobs including making brooms and working in a coal mine, but his distinguished career of 30 years was newspaper carrier extraordinary.

When he started delivering the Chattanooga Times in 1924, he would hitch up his pony, Bob, to a sulky and begin his workday at 3:30 each morning. When the weather was good, he and Bob completed their day's delivery by about 8:30. If the weather was bad, it might be nearly noon.

As circulation increased, Luther would get up earlier and work later. In 1947, he completed 22 years on the job. At that time, he and his pinto pony, Dot, were delivering 265 papers on a 20-mile route. It took him 10 hours each day. Circulation reached its highest during the construction of the TVA Widow's Creek Steam Plant. During those years, he and his pony would start at 1:30 a.m. and it took almost 12 hours to complete deliveries on their 22-mile route.

Daily delivery of the paper, seven days a week, was only part of the job. Collecting for the papers had to be done. Most customers paid promptly, but there were always a few who took advantage of his sight impairment. They would avoid him when it was time to pay, but few were successful. He often said, "In a town this small, they can't get away for long."

In 1953, Mr. Hurt received the "Citizen of the Year" award from the American Legion of Bridgeport. This recognition was based upon his unselfish service to others.

He could see well enough to recognize unusual lights in a home. It wasn't uncommon for him to ring a doorbell at 3:00 a.m. and say, "Saw the lights. Who's sick and what can I do?"

He frequently carried messages, or delivered circulars advertising a revival meeting. He often stopped to cheer up a shut-in, do a neighborly deed, or be a good Samaritan to a stranger in need.

Luther was married to Fern Freeman whom he met



John Luther Hurt

while attending the School for the Blind. They had three children. Their son died in infancy. Their oldest daughter, Mavis, died at age 15 of diabetes. Hurt attributed most of the 13 days he missed from work during his entire career to the deaths of his children and to being absent two days to attend the graduation of his youngest daughter, Iva Nelle, from Howard College (now Samford University).

He was not only known for his hard work and good deeds, but he was regarded as the champion checker player of Bridgeport. When you played him in checkers, you could expect to be defeated.

When Luther was diagnosed with cancer in 1956, many citizens, including the mayor of Bridgeport, rallied to "deliver Luther's papers." It was difficult to find a replacement for a man who, during his career, had delivered more than 2,190,000 papers and traveled more than 220,000 miles in a cart pulled by one of his faithful ponies. *Submitted by: George Ricker, Box 1172, Talladega, AL 35161.*

Sources: Clippings from the Chattanooga Times and family records.

Jesse Burch "J. B." Igou

Jesse Burch "J.B." Igou was born March 27, 1903 - the year the Wright Brothers made their first flight - to George Andrew and Sallie Amelia Frances Stone Igou, who were married April 13, 1886. The name is French in origin. At six months of age the family was moved to Stamp, Alabama, some four miles from Henegar. He was the youngest of eight children, was saved in his early teens at Mt. Paron Methodist Church but later joined the Baptist Church. He attended "Normal Schools" at Stamp, Central, Gadsen, and Sylvania, took his teacher's exam and taught at Lebanon — Dekalb County. One day while listening to the children recite lessons, he had an understanding that the Lord wanted him to

preach so he didn't even finish his term as teacher, he started his ministry. He was licensed July 12, 1931 at age 28 and was ordained the following year on March, 16, 1932 at Highland Baptist Church in Birmingham.

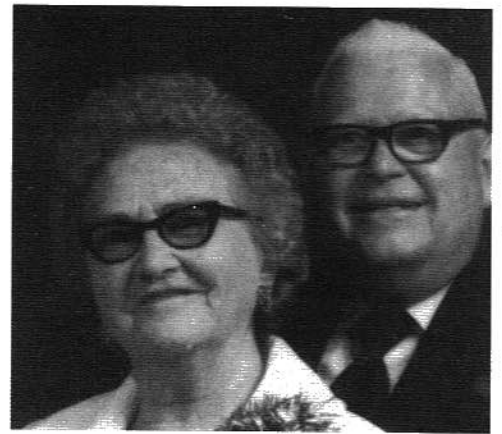
He enlisted in the army February 1, 1921, Co. A, 26th Infantry, and was discharged because of a reduction in the

army. He re-enlisted December, 1922 and complete his term in 1926. He re-enlisted the third time in the Infantry but then transferred to the Air Corps then back to Quartermaster. This time he bought his discharge — in those days one could be bought. He was one of very few people to hold three discharges.

When he was growing up, a pretty little lady named Ida Hill lived across the creek from him. On April 4, 1933 they were married — the same year he first preached at Mt. Olive. They were married almost fifty years.

For many years he pastored four churches at a time. Among them were: Brown's Gap, Friendship Woodville, Church at Nat Mt., Rocky Springs-Hopewell, Bethlehem known as Gann Crossroads, Liberty Hill, Cave Springs where he started September, 1949, Flat Rock Calvary, Mt. Oliver, Ebenezer, Centennial and Caperton Church. He collected no set salary from any of them but lived by faith and was paid by "Freewill Offerings". When no musician was available, he also served as pianist. He walked many times from Mt. Olive to Caperton Chapel then to Liberty Hill and to Ebenezer. He started preaching on WCRI Radio in 1950 each Sunday at 8 AM which was also paid for by "Freewill Offerings". He preached there for many years. A white haired country preacher, he was my pastor in all of my formative years and set a great example for all of us to follow. He had the greater influence of any minister on my life.

When they built their home at Bryant, it was by offerings of friends and church members. They had sold their old place and had a little money from it but it took the people only six months to completely pay off the new house. He had no children of his own but loved all the church children as if they were his own. Jackson County lost one of its finest citizens and ministers on February 2, 1983 when Bro. Igou went home to meet the Lord he had served so faithfully for so many years. *Submitted by: Book Committee.* Source: Beverly Allen, 370 Co. Rd. 353, Stevenson, AL 35772; Public Knowledge of Bro. J. B. Igou.



Rev. J. B. and Mrs. Ida Igou

Our Inglis Ancestors

Our first known ancestor was Alexander Inglis. He was listed as a passenger from London to America on the ship, "Fanny" in 1773. He was 20 years old and alone. His brother Samuel Inglis, followed on the ship, "Adventure" in 1775. By the 1780's Alexander was in Rowan County, North Carolina and married to Jean, (probably Jean Brown since the name Brown is used repeatedly in the future names of their children). We have a copy of Alexander's will dated 1796. In his will, he gave all his property to his wife Jean and their four sons; Samuel Brown, Alexander, Andrew, and Josiah. The will was never probated. We think that the reason was that both Alexander and Jean came to Alabama in late 1819 with Samuel Brown Inglis, Sr. and his family. The 1830 census for Jackson County shows an older male and an older female living in the Samuel Brown Inglis Sr. household. It couldn't have been the parents of Elizabeth Renshaw Inglis. Her parents were dead. It is likely that they were Alexander and Jean. In the 1840 Jackson County census these two older persons were absent from the Samuel Brown Inglis Sr. household meaning that they had died between 1830 and 1840.

The parents of Elizabeth Renshaw Inglis were Elijah and Ann Renshaw. They had several children. Their oldest daughter, Mary, married Thomas West in 1804. Their daughter, Elizabeth, married Samuel Brown Inglis, Sr. in 1812, and their son, Francis Renshaw,



Elijah Renshaw Inglis built this house in the mid 1880's for his son Jim (James Allison) and his wife, Mandy. After Mandy died, he married her sister, and they moved to Texas, then Oklahoma. At that time, this house became the property of Elijah R. Inglis, Jr. The last person to live here was Pearl Inglis Hammons, who died in 1980. The house was then demolished.

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This is a picture of Elijah Renshaw Inglis, Sr. and his wife Eliza Jane Brownfield Inglis. They were the parents of Samuel Brown Inglis, Sr. Samuel Brown Inglis, Sr. was the oldest of Elijah's 8 sons; he and wife, Tabitha Morris became our grandparents.

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married Rebecca Leach. In the early days of 1819, Francis Renshaw and wife, Rebecca; Samuel Brown Inglis, Sr. and wife Elizabeth Renshaw Inglis; and Thomas West and wife, Mary, left North Carolina and settled in the Carnes area of Alabama.

They each built nice log homes on the banks of Mud Creek. Francis Renshaw's large log house was nearest to the creek crossing. A bridge with elaborate iron work was built at the

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They were married in 1858 and had eight sons. Eliza Jane died in 1868 and is buried in the present day Inglis Cemetery. The land for this cemetery was given by Elijah Renshaw Inglis, and the first person to be buried there in 1864 was his two-and-one-half year old son, Elijah, who had drowned in the family spring. At least two of their sons are buried in the Old Inglis Cemetery.

Of their eight sons only four grew to adulthood. Their oldest son, Samuel Brown Inglis III was our own grandfather, and the father of Martha Elizabeth Inglis Moore, our mother. Her mother was Tabitha Morris Inglis. These grandparents, Samuel Brown and Tabitha Morris Inglis are buried in the Inglis Cemetery. Elijah Renshaw Inglis and Eliza Jane Brownfield Inglis, our great-grandparents, are also buried in this cemetery as well as two other sons Elijah Renshaw Jr. and Andy, the last of their eight sons. Two grown sons, James Allison (Jim) and George M. Inglis, are buried in the Wimberly Cemetery near Stevenson.

Archibald Morris and Lou Rena Hammons Morris, parents of Tabitha Morris Inglis were buried in the Bryant Cemetery. They were our great-grandparents.

My sister, Rubilee Smith and I are the surviving members of our family. Our parents were Lee Roy and Martha Elizabeth Inglis Moore. John Alexander and Mattie Mae Jarvis Moore were our paternal grandparents. They are all buried in Cedar Hill, Scottsboro, Alabama.

Other grandparents were James Lowery Allison, our third great-grandfather, and his wife Mary Carlton Allison. He is buried in the Allison Cemetery, Big Coon area, near Stevenson, Alabama. Mary Carlton died in Texas and is buried in the same cemetery as Davy Crockett's wife which is now called Crockett State Park. Their daughter Melinda Allison Brownfield and her husband, Thomas Brownfield, were our great, great-grandparents. They are buried in the Allison Cemetery in unmarked graves. Submitted by: Sammie M. Brown, From my book: My Family Tree

Ezekiel Isbell Family

Ezekiel Isbell was born about 1801 KY. Ezekiel was the son of Jason Isbell (1750-before 1830). Ezekiel is found next door to Polly Isbell on the 1830 Jackson Co., AL census. She is the presumed widow of Jason. Polly was born 1760 VA and died 1860 Shelby Co., AL at the age of 100.

Presumably, Ezekiel's grandfather was the Zachariah Isbell I of Watauga, NC fame. His wife was Elizabeth _____. Zachariah I's father was Henry Isbell (1690) and his mother Miss Cox (1680-1702), daughter of James Cox. Henry Isbell was the son of William Isbell Sr. (1660) and Miss Lewis.

Zachariah I was one of the first appointed justices of Bedford Co., VA in 1754. He received a land grant in 1762 on Sandy Creek of Broad River, SC, and in 1767 was named magistrate for Craven Co., SC. He was tax collector and Justice of the Peace for Craven Co. He signed the Articles of Association of the Watauga Settlement in 1772, after living there for two years. The people of this settlement felt



Altha Isbell and children clockwise (l-r), Bertie, Mary, Elijah, Martha, Isom, and Shelton 1914.

the need for a court to be formed to record deeds, and other public business. He was also a Revolutionary Soldier. In 1776 he was appointed Justice of the Washington District. He served from 1778 to 1784.

The children of Zachariah and Elizabeth, in addition to Jason have been identified as Louvisa (1743-1806) who married John Carr; Zachariah Isbell (married Catherine) born about 1750 of Washington Co., TN and Jackson Co., AL; Hannah who married James Taylor and Samuel Williams; and possibly Susan Isbell who married Robert Marley White.

Jason Isbell had a land grant in Greene Co., NC (later TN) in 1788 and was found February 1794 in Jefferson Co., NC (now TN) on an indenture with William Thornton to John Knave, Sr. The

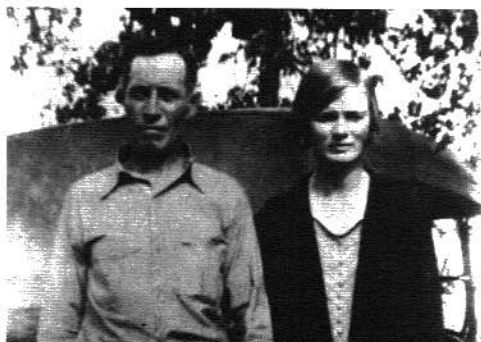
same month (and place) a deed was found from Jesse (a variation of Jason's name) to William Fox. Jason was found recorded on 3/8/1794 on the church minutes of Big Pigeon Baptist Church. The record reads: "Received a friendly letter from the Little Church at Little Pigeon (Sevierville) requesting us to look into the matter of their members who were living in bounds of our church to wit, Brother Jesse Isbell and wife and Vine Taylor. Upon investigation, this reports that Jesse Isbol has gone to Caintuck (Kentucky)."

By 1795 Jason was in Clark Co., KY. In June 1795 he was living on Hingston Creek and was reported in The Kentucky Gazette 8/22/1795 as having found a mule. By 1797 Jason entered land in Warren Co., KY and remained there until 1802. By 1812 the last record of Jason was on the tax list of Warren Co., TN.

Since Jason left no will it is impossible to identify all his children. Those most likely are Hannah who married Richard Biggs in Clark Co., KY; Zachariah born 1790 and married 1) Margaret Brown and 2) Frances ____; Levina who married Walker Matthews; Pendleton; and Jason born 1809 who married Permelia Waters; and Ezekiel.

Ezekiel's marriage to Miss Gentry (if Nancy Gentry, her birth was 10/22/1800) occurred about 1819 as their first child, Polly Isbell was born on

4/7/1820. Their second child was Jesse Isbell born 4/18/1822 and their third child, Hugh G. Isbell was born 7/24/1824. Ezekiel remarried to Fanny (Francis) about 1826 as their first child was born about 1827. It is not known who Polly Isbell married, or what became of her. Jesse Isbell married Dorcas Watson about



Bertie Isbell and husband Walter Lockhart 1928

1838. Hugh G. Isbell married Elizabeth Holmes 10/26/1848, (born 1833 Carroll Co., GA, daughter of James and Mary Holmes). Based on the marriage date we would estimate the Isbell family moving into Shelby Co., AL from Jackson Co., AL about 1847.

Ezekiel and Fanny had children also. They were William D., Zachariah, Godfrey, John, James, Ezekiel, George Washington, Henry, and Nancy.

In 1863 Ezekiel was found as the delegate presenting the letter at the Shelby Association. He represented Harmony Church in Shelby Co.

By 6/28/1878 Ezekiel and Francis had sold all their personal and real estate to their son, George Washington Isbell in St. Clair Co., AL, in return for his care of them in their old age. Apparently Francis died shortly thereafter and left Ezekiel to marry yet a third time to Mrs. Nancy Wiley. They married 9/4/1879 in Sulpher Springs, St. Clair, AL. The next year Ezekiel is listed as 74 years old and Nancy as age 42. No death date is known for Ezekiel but it is assumed it was shortly after this census was taken.

Ezekiel's son, Hugh G. Isbell, is the progenitor of this author's family. He and wife Elizabeth Holmes moved to Lamar Co., AL after 1870. They built a home on what is now Mt. Hebron Rd. in the Crews Community, which still stands. They joined Mt. Hebron United Methodist Church in 1882 by a profession of faith. They later joined the Congregational Methodist Church. Hugh died in 1894 due to pneumonia he came down with after repairing the roof on the homeplace in the rain. Elizabeth died 1/20/1919 and she and Hugh are buried at Mt. Hebron. They were the parents of Hamilton Wiley, P.A. Holly, Hiram, William Yancy, Sarah Jane, J.W. "George" (6/12/1863) married Altha Ann Palmer - daughter of Alta Barnes and William Asbury Palmer), Julia Caroline (1866), Abel Badey (1870), and Susan Leucinda (1873).

J. W. and Altha Isbell married 9/27/1891 and were the parents of: Mary Magdalene (1892-1964), Martha Jane (1894-1991), Elijah Thomas (1896-1981), William Isom (1900-1997), Bertie Louiza (24 Nov. 1905 - 14 Feb. 1989), and Shelton Abe (1909-1990) Isbell.

Bertie Isbell married Walter Humphrey Lockhart (7/24/1888-11/29/1943) on 8/8/1924 Columbus, MS. Their children were: Clovis (1926-1978), Lewis (1928), Dwain (1931), J. C. (1932), Mildred (1934), Linda (1941), Ruth (30 Jul 1943), Ruth Lockhart married Hugh Lee Newell (9/11/1931-10/1/1972) and their children

were: Sabra (1/24/1963) and Deana (3/3/1967). Sabra married Johnny Sudberry (9/17/1958) and they are the parents of: Heidi (12/12/1984), Elizabeth (12/29/1986), Joseph (2/12/1990), and Chloe (12/2/1994). Submitted by: Sabra Newell Sudberry, 1904 4th Ave. NW, Jasper, AL 35504

Sources: Sherman Isbell; Valley Leaves; Gentry Family Bible; Pat Isabel Brown; probate records; census data; Sarah Coon; Baptists of Shelby Co., AL by Ray Atchison; and Winona Creek.

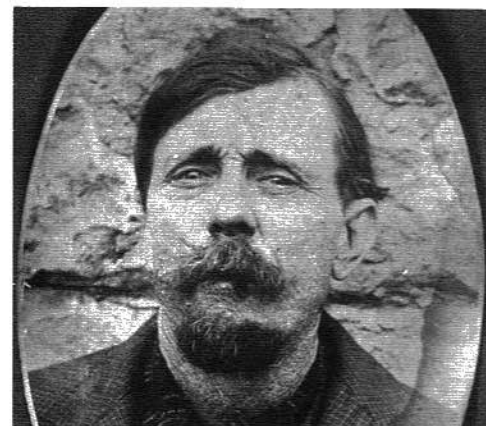
James Isbell and Elizabeth Birdwell

The Isbell family is first documented in Virginia in the early 1700's. Zachariah Isbell Sr. born ca 1720 died after 1785 is thought to be the son of Henry Isbell Sr. Also Henry Jr., James, and William are considered as sons of Henry. It is thought that Zachariah married Elizabeth in 1740, probably in Virginia. He received several land grants in South Carolina and was Tax Collector and Justice of Peace in Craven County in 1771. In 1772 he is found in Washington County Tennessee, in the Watauga Settlement. Zachariah Isbell along with John Sevier, James Robinson, Charles Robinson and John Carter were elected and appointed with both judicial and executive authority to administer the government of the settlement. There is no proof of children but by association we can comfortably surmise that Louvisa Isbell Carr, Zachariah Jr. and Hannah Isbell Williams Taylor are his children.

Zachariah Isbell Jr. born ca 1750 was a veteran of the Revolutionary War. It is thought that his wife was Catherine and that they moved from Washington County to Sevier County Tennessee. Their sons were Jason, William, Levi and John Miller Isbell.

William Isbell, born 1771 probably in Craven County South Carolina died before 1828 in Madison County Alabama. He married Sarah (Richardson ?) 1787 probably in Sevier Co. Tennessee and they are found in Lincoln County Tennessee in 1820. Their 11 children all born in Tennessee are as follows: (1) John b. 1789, m. Sarah Roden 19 Sept. 1816, d. Aug. 1873 Jackson Co. Ala; (2)

James b. 5 Oct 1791, m. Elizabeth Birdwell 24 Apr 1813, d. June 1844 Jackson Co.; (3) Hannah b. 1793, m. Timothy Marchand/Merohan; (4) Levi b 14 Nov 1797, m. Sarah Birdwell 10 Aug 1816, d. 1 Nov 1876 Marshall Co., Alabama; (5) Miller b. 1800; (6) Elizabeth b. 1804 m. Mathew Summers, d before 1892; (7) William b. 1808, m. May; (8) Zachariah b. 20 Feb 1814, never



Levi Isbell B - 17 July 1842 - Jackson Co.

married, d 12 Oct 1890; (9) Margaret b. 20 Feb. 1814, m John Baker 1838, d before 1892; (10) Rebecca b 1816, m Madison Bruton, d before 1892; (11) Jemima, m. John Summers, d. about 1850. William and Sarah were in Madison County, Alabama by 1814 and as a widow Sarah is found in Jackson County, Alabama in 1828.

Family history says that James Isbell and his brother Levi came from Tennessee to Madison County (Alabama), Mississippi Territory in early 1800's with the John Birdwell family and later married two of the Birdwell daughters. The John Birdwell family is found in the Madison County Census of 1809.

James Isbell married Elizabeth Birdwell, 24 April 1813 as the records show in Madison County. They married in Madison County but moved to Jackson County where their 12 children were born. (1) Mary Ann (Polly) b. 1 April 1816, m. 1833 Andrew J. Talkington, d. 1856; (2) William B. b. 3 Dec. 1818; (3) John S. b. 25 Nov 1820; (4) Sarah Manda b. 25 Dec 1822, d. 27 Apr 1830; (5) Allen b. 23 Mar 1835, m about 1850 Sarah J. Williams; (6) Susan b 18 Jan 1827 m. 27 Sept 1856 William J. Murray, d 7 Mar 1892; (7) Margaaret b. 24 Mar 1829, m James Willis; (8) Benjamin b 6 May 1831, d 1902; (9) James Jr. b 25 Aug 1833 m Clerra Elizabeth Crittendon, 27 Aug 1861, d 15 Oct 1902; (10) Zachariah b: 25 June 1835, m Susanna Culver 20 Dec 1857; d 1864 as prisoner of war; (11) Elizabeth b 18 Jan 1838, m. Uriah Peters, d 15 May 1865; (12) Lucinda b 8 July 1840, m John K. Murray 27 Sept 1856; (13) Levi b 17 July 1843, m Rachel Rousseau 12 June 1862, d 12 Dec 1918.



Rachel Rousseau Isbell B - Aug. 1837

James Isbell died in 1844 when his youngest child, Levi, was only one year old. Elizabeth married John Conway before 1850 but he died 7 Sept. 1853. Sarah Birdwell lived with her married daughters after that and died 10 July 1872.

Levi the youngest child of James and Elizabeth married Rachel the daughter of John and Martha Berry Rousseau, 12 June 1862. They had

8 children as follows: (1) Ellen C. b. 5 April 1863, m Thomas Hawkins 17 Nov. 1881, d. 1953; (2) David Zachariah b: 28 Nov 1865, m Harriet Lee 25 Aug. 1886, d 14 Nov. 1940; (3) Mary Alabama b. 14 May 1867, m. James Andrew Grizzle 9 June 1888, d 1 Aug 1946; (4) John Birdwell b 1869; (5) Reuben R. b. 18 May 1873, m Emma B. Sneed 3 Nov 1891, d 19 Oct 1931; (6) Martha Elizabeth b 20 Jan 1875, m William Victor Sneed 24 Nov 1894, d 22 Feb 1958; (7) James Levi b 1878, m Josie McFarland; (8) Benjamin b 19 Sept 1880, m Callie Kuykendall, d 1969. Levi died 12 Dec 1918 and Rachel died in August 1924. They are buried in Pleasant Mount Cemetery in Madison County Alabama.

Mary Alabama, daughter of Levi and Rachel married 9 June 1888 in Madison County, Alabama, James Andrew Grizzle, son of Isaac McDonald and Minerva J. Northcutt Grizzle in Madison County Alabama, 9 June 1888. They had two children: (1) Minnie Mae b 26 Apr 1889 in Jackson County Alabama and d 27 Dec 1965; (2) Harvey Hobson b 2 Jan 1900 in Delta County Texas and d 19 May 1947. They came to north Texas sometime before 1900 and moved on to South Texas about 1915. Mary Alabama died 1 Aug 1946 and at the age of 95 on 15 Feb 1957 James Andrew died. They are buried in Glenwood Cemetery in Beeville, Texas. James Andrew and Mary Alabama Isbell Grizzle were survived by their three grandchildren: Evelyn Grizzle Gray, James Dennis Grizzle and Frances Grizzle Carlisle. The Grizzle history is in this book under, "Isaac & Frances Grizzle." Submitted by: Evelyn Grizzle Gray, Rt. 3 Box 135, Beeville, TX 78102.

Jacobs Farm

Saturday, August 16, 1997, an auction was held on the historic Jacobs Farm. A 4,100 acre farm, owned by descendants of General John R. Coffee, deeded to the General for his service under Andrew Jackson in the War of 1812. This auction was a sad event for me because I felt as if part of my life was put on the auction block. I was born in 1934, about 1/2 mile from where the auction was held and spent most of my "growing up" years on some part of the farm.

Then the news came on Sunday that Alabama Conservation Commissioner Jim Martin submitted the high bid and plans to turn the property into a state wildlife area. I was so thrilled and proud for Jim Martin had kept all the memories alive that I have cherished all these years and to know that part of it belongs to me now.

My parents Mr. Ollie and Mrs. Ada Venable raised nine children on the farm. My father was a farmer and carpenter; therefore, we moved every year or two. He would build a new home or fix-up the one we lived in and someone would decide they wanted that house and we would move again. We moved from the house I was born in to a Jacobs Farm at Mud Creek. Later, we moved back to Rorex Hollow in Roaches Cove, which was one of the prettiest farms in the area with a big log home. A natural mountain spring supplied our water. It made a beautiful waterfall which ran into a stream by the house. An Indian cemetery was close to the house with an unusual rock that stood alone. The front was flat as a wall. We children played in the mountains on the rocks, in the waterfall, and in the open fields.

We lived on six different farms in Roaches Cove and across Low Gap Mountain. We chopped and picked cotton or corn in most farms in the area for our family and other farmers as well. There

were a lot of farmers living in this community at that time. Everyone farmed and worked together. There was a place for grinding sugar cane for sorghum molasses and a place for killing hogs. The ladies would meet at different houses to can and preserve the fruits and vegetables. The older children would babysit the younger children who played while the ladies worked.

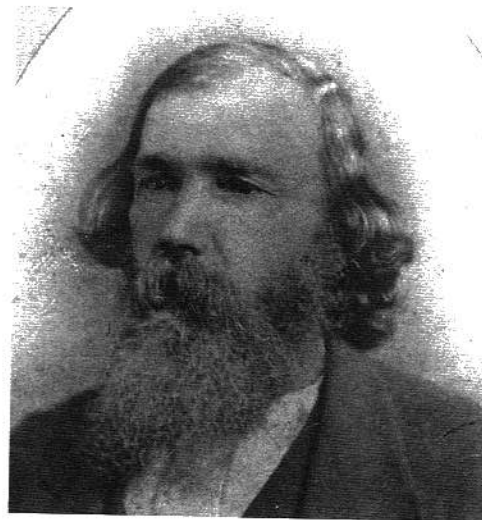
There was no working on Sunday in those days. We went to Sunday School and church at Roaches Cove Missionary Baptist Church. When revival time came the work would stop for day services and work in the afternoon until time for church at night. All the families had good times and hard times, but the good times seemed to outweigh the bad. It seemed our house was the main gathering place for the children and young people. (Maybe because we had all ages in our family - ha.) The girls built doll houses on the rocks in the mountains and the boys played like boys and tore down the houses, but it was all fun. We always had plenty to eat at our house. My mother was famous for her chicken and dumplings and fried apple and peach pies.

Jacobs Farm with all the memories will be preserved for people to appreciate for generations to come. The farm is a historic part of Jackson County and has much history to share along with all the beautiful mountains, fields, ponds, creeks, turkeys, deer, quail, and other wildlife. It has an Indian cemetery, a slave cemetery, a family cemetery with 2 graves covered over. The savior of Greenbrier was born March 3, 1780 in Greenbrier County, Virginia to Christina Cook who was born in 1793. Both died January 28, 1842 and are buried in a double grave in a field on Jacobs Farm. The farm also has approximately eight caves. One called "Jacobs Ladder" from one of Mr. Jacobs son, John Jacobs. He also summed up Jacobs Farm in this statement, "Of the world God gave to you, this is about as good as it gets." Submitted by: Imogene Venable Cookson, 4th child of Mr. Ollie and Mrs. Ada Venable, who loved the Jacobs Farm.

Jacks Family

The earliest members of the Jacks family in America lived in Maryland. Thomas Jacks, the progenitor of the family, lived for many years in Anne Arundel County, Maryland. One of his sons, Richard, moved to North Carolina prior to the American Revolution. Richard and his wife, Ann, had a son named Richard who settled in Surry County, North Carolina.

Richard, Jr., and his wife, Mary, had a number of children, including Nicholas, who also lived in Surry County. Nicholas and his wife, Jane, had six known children, five of whom moved to Jackson County, Alabama.



Thomas Mastin Jacks (1822-1883), son of David Jacks

Nicholas Jacks died in Surry County between 1807 and 1810, leaving his wife Jane with the following children, all of whom were born in Surry County, North Carolina: Thomas Jacks (born about 1794 - died about 1828 in Jackson County, Alabama); David Jacks (born October 27, 1795 - died August 29, 1882, New Market, Alabama); Richard Jacks (born in 1797 - died June 26, 1890, Ashe County, North Carolina); Elizabeth Jacks (born about 1800 - died between 1836 and 1839 in Jackson County, Alabama); Evan Jacks (born 1802 - died August 18, 1892, Gurley, Alabama); and Nicholas Jacks (born about 1804).

In 1827, the widow Jane Jacks and all her children (except for Richard Jacks, who stayed in North Carolina) migrated to Jackson County, settling on Hurricane Creek in Paint Rock Valley. Thomas Jacks, the oldest child in the group, died shortly after the party arrived in Jackson County. He left a number of children of whom, David Franklin Jacks, is the only one known to have survived. David Franklin Jacks made his home near Francisco, Alabama,

and raised a very large family. He married Sina Parker in 1819. They had the following children: Alfred Kindley Jacks (1840-1863), Mahala Jane Jacks (married Enoch Bice) (1842-1908); Thomas Jefferson Jacks (CSA) (1844-1928); Robert Haynes Jacks (1845-1923); Mary Alzena Jacks (married William H. Fanning) (1848-1896); William Irving Jacks (1849-1913); Sarah Elizabeth Jacks (married William Lafayette Sanders) (1851-1881); Amanda Jacks (married John R. Summerell) (1854-1908); Benjamin Franklin Jacks (1856-1932); Marion Francis Jacks (1856-1931); Nancy Ann Jacks (married Wiley O. Sanders) (1858-1944); Martha Emily Jacks (married George Washington Sanders) (1861-1941); and Eliza Jacks (married (1st) Wallace Hill, (2nd) John Anderson Dolberry) (1865-1903). David and Sina moved to New Market, Madison County, Alabama, in their later years and are buried there.

David Jacks, a prominent Primitive Baptist minister, pastored several



Jonathan Haynes Jacks (1831-1917), son of David Jacks.

churches in Paint Rock Valley until he moved to New Market, Alabama, in 1832. He and his wife, Rachel Johnson Jacks, were the parents of nine children: Dr. Thomas Martin Jacks (1822-1883), moved to Helena, Arkansas; Alzena Jacks (1824-1875), married John Johnson; Jane Jacks (1826-1841); William Parks Jacks (CSA) (1828-1888), married Ellena Bayless and lived in New Market, Alabama; Simeon Romulus Jacks (CSA) (1830-1864); Jonathan Haynes Jacks (CSA) (1831-1917); Nicholas Jacks (CSA) (born 1833); Hiram Jacks (CSA) (1836-1862); Jerome C. H. Jacks (1839-1841). Rachel Jacks died in 1859 and David Jacks died in 1882. They are both buried in New Market, Alabama.

Richard Jacks, who stayed in North Carolina, was a prominent Missionary Baptist Minister. After his death in 1890, two of his daughters came to Jackson County; Jane P. Jacks and Victoria Jacks. Victoria Jacks (1843-1923) had two children: Nicholas Biddle Jacks (1875-1933) and Quinte Addington Jacks (1882-1984). Nicholas Biddle Jacks married Rosa Sanders, daughter of George Washington Sanders. Quinte A. Jacks married Robert Brantley Sanders, son of William Lafayette Sanders. Victoria Jacks and her two children are buried in the Jenkins Cemetery, near Gurley, Alabama.

Elizabeth Jacks married Milton Carter in Surry County, North Carolina, in 1824. They had six children: Richard D. Carter, Alfred Carter, Mary Carter (married Matthew Bostick), John C. Carter, Ransom Wade Carter, and Hiram Joseph Carter.

Evan Jacks married Rachel Cain in 1824 in Surry County, North Carolina. He and his wife lived on Hurricane Creek in Paint Rock Valley for many years. They had the following children: Mary Jacks (born 1825) (married a Clunn), moved to Aspen, Colorado; Jane Jacks (1827-1894), married George Sanders, son of Joseph Sanders; Sarah Ann Jacks (born 1828), married Henry Sanders; Lafayette Jacks (1830-1930), moved to New Orleans, Louisiana; Catherine Jacks (born 1832), married John Gray; Martha Ann Jacks (born 1839), married Marion G. Knight; and Emily Jacks (1841-1924), married James W. Knight. George and Jane Sanders were the parents of George Washington Sanders, Wiley O. Sanders, and William Lafayette Sanders, who married daughters of David Franklin Jacks. Evan and Rachel Jacks moved to Gurley, Alabama, in their last years. Rachel died in 1890 and Evan died in 1892. They are buried in the Knight Cemetery near Gurley, Alabama.

A great number of descendants of the Jacks family continue to live in Jackson and Madison Counties, where their rich legacies are still seen today. Submitted by: William D. Jacks, 195 Lewis Mountain Road, New Market, AL 35761

Sources: Information from *A History of the Jacks Family of Alabama, North Carolina, and Maryland: The Ancestors and Descendants of David Jacks (1795-1882)* by Thomas E. Jacks. This book details the history of the Jacks and related families who settled in Jackson County and northern Alabama, and traces a lot of the lines through modern times.

Dr. William James and Katherine Altezar Arendale

William James was born in Dade County, Georgia on Christmas Eve, 24 December 1848. He was the great-grandson of William James (c. 1773-1822) of Russell County, Virginia and his wife, Ann Price, the grandson of Samuel Price James (18 July 1795-3 July 1862) and his wife, Mary Whited (9 February 1807-30 July 1887) who settled in Marion County, Tennessee, just across the river from Jackson County, by 1825, and the son of William Price ('Peedee') Jams (6 May 1825-24 May 1900) and his wife, Sarah Ann Townsend (1827-after 1870). William attended Vanderbilt University where he qualified as a doctor in 1876. In 1881, he married the sister of three of his fellow students, Katherine Altezar Arendale* (11 April 1860-7 February 1920) and settled in Jackson County.

Dr. James practiced medicine among the Coves for many years, setting off with two horses and one packhorse for his medical rounds through the hills. He was an early experimenter in cures for malaria and deduced that living away from the river was healthier than living on it. In later life, Dr. James eyesight began to fail and cataracts finally put an end to his practice. One grandchild remembered him sitting at the kitchen table as an old man, a coffee cup in front of him, drumming his fingers restlessly on the wooden table top. His zeal for medicine was inspired by the fact that his mother suffered from liver disease and his wife from a congenital heart defect.

Dr. James and his wife, 'Katty', had eight children. Two sons, William G. James (2 April 1892-5 April 1893) and Creed James, and an unnamed child died as babies. Of the five surviving children, Dr. Thomas Leonard James (6 December 1883-8 April 1922) their eldest son, practiced medicine in Orme, Tennessee. He married Elizabeth ('Bess') Thompson on 24 June 1909. The couple had no children and the doctor's



Dr. William James

worsening tuberculosis forced Thomas and his wife to move to Arizona where he died. The James' second child, Irene Mae (10 August 1886-29 December 1953) married Cyphus Crownover (died 19 March 1922) on her father's 55th birthday, 24 December 1903. Their third child, Mary Myrtle (28 February 1889-after 1944) married Reverend Benjamin Franklin Miller. The James' youngest daughter, Louise (7 February 1894-1971), married Dr. James Gordon Daves on 21 August 1918. The youngest son of Dr. James and his wife, Reed Willis James (16 July 1896-19 August 1961), was a pharmacist's mate and Warrant Officer in the U.S. Navy. He married Iris Fayne Cook (born 20 September 1896), the daughter of James Walter Cook (1871-1923) and his wife, Bettie Belle Tharrington (25 February 1871-2 December 1949), on 18 June 1918. Reed and Iris had four children, all born in Eastport, Maryland: Reed Walter James (born 9 June 1919), William Dean James (born 22 July 1921), Betty Catherine James (born 18 December 1922) and Anne Arendale James (born 7 December 1926). Both Dr. William James and Katherine Arendale James are buried in Mt. Carmel Cemetery near Bridgeport. Descendants of Dr. William and Katty Arendale James' three daughters and youngest son are living in various parts of the U.S.

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Jack Jeffery The Alabama Cowboy

Jack Jeffery of Scottsboro was a bullwhip artist, one of only about four in the country. A Stetson hat, blue jeans, and well worn cowboy boots were his normal attire. But put him on stage and he became another person, according to his wife Ruth. Decked out in bright western wear, fancy boots and a bullwhip in his hand, Jack Jeffery became Sundown Jack, Bullwhip Artist. Jack Jeffery was

born and raised in Jackson County. He grew up in a three room house on Goosepond Island. When he was 10 years, Jeffery's family was planting corn in fertile soil along the river. To plow the land, Jeffery had to use a Missouri or blue mule as he called it. Jeffery's grandfather carried a bullwhip about 25 feet long. It was not until Wild Bill Cody paid visit to the Princess Theatre in Scottsboro when Jeffery was in his early 20's that he used a whip as something other than farm equipment. Jeffery asked Cody about getting into a show, but Cody told him he didn't need anyone then. But he took his address, and six months later wrote him asking him to meet him in Aliceville, for a tryout. What began as a way to prod animals turned into 33 years of traveling with Cody and Sunset Carason. Jeffery worked all over the nation, after 15 years of traveling with Cody, Jeffery began working with Sunset Carson when Cody became ill. Jeffery made many friends in the entertainment industry. He had bit parts in over 13 movies. One of his friends was Victor French best known for his roles in Little House on the Prairie and Highway to Heaven. Sundown Jack was a man who truly enjoyed his life. *Submitted by: Book Committee*
Source: Newspaper article; public knowledge.

Berry Johnson

Berry Johnson, son of John, son of William, son of Richard, son of Sylvannus who lived in Virginia in 1742 and moved to N.C. in 1754. Berry's uncle Jacob was the father of Andrew Johnson of N.C., AL, and Tennessee who was the 17th President of the United States.

Berry was in Dallas Co., AL in the 1820's, married to Lucy Blaylock dau of Charles Blaylock and Sarah Brazier. By 1829, they were in Jackson County near Antioch church of Christ where he was a Bishop (Elder) in 1847.

Berry served in the Florida Indian War. He was a successful farmer.

He and Lucy had 13 children, the first four being female as was the last five with the four boys in between. The 13th lived over 80 years. The eldest child, Martha Andrews 1822-1840 m. John Vance; Mary Adkins 1824-1838; Sarah Brazier 1826-1872 m. 1st. Wm. Arendale, 2nd Wm. Moore; Rebecca Troublefield 1828-1887 m. James W. Hembree; Wm. Blaylock 1830-1854; John Charles 1833-1897 m. Sarah Morrow; James Aaron 1835-1835; Isaac Newton 1836-1895 m. Martha Bacon; Nancy Jane 1838-1838; Frances Elizabeth 1840-1863 m. Calvin Melton; Lucy Virginia 1843-1921 m. Wm. Jas. Hughes; Gilla Alabama 1846-? m. Henry Morris; Malinda Louise Tennessee 1849-1929 m. A. C. Loyd.

Only two of the sons carried on Berry Johnson's line. Some of the descendant family names in addition to the above are: Abbott; Adams; Apple; Blazer; Bean; Caves; Crownover; Henley; Hughes; Jacobs; Masengale; Probst; Pursley; Rudder; Smartt; Smith; Sparkman; Walker; Westbrook; Winters; Wynne; and many more.

There are over 145 documents on file at The Bridgeport Area Historic Association Research Library (Formerly Marion Loyd's Bridgeport Treasures Shop and Museum). Also, as least 12 volumes of the Andrew Johnson Papers published by the University of Tennessee at Knoxville.

The most famous of this line would have to be Cousin Andrew Johnson who would not and did not give up his Senate seat as a Senator from Tennessee in 1861 and became Vice President and then President of these United States of America. Some people think that impeached means to remove from office — it does not mean that. It means that charges were brought before the Congress. A trial was conducted and the charges were dismissed. Had he been found guilty and removed from office, The Southern States that seceded in 1861 would have suffered more than they did after the War Between the States.

There is an Andrew Johnson Museum in Nashville, Tennessee — not publicized and hence not well known.

Any attempt to quote or write any history of this family without giving Mr. Hugh B. Johnston of Wilson, NC credit for the information and dates that he has searched out would be most ungrateful. He is the world's foremost authority on the history of the Johnson family.

Without the cooperation and assistance of Mrs. Patricia Clark and Marion O. Smith, associate editors of the Andrew Johnson Papers at the University of Tennessee at Knoxville, we would not know very much about our Johnson family. Their willingness to share their information is very much appreciated.

Our earliest ancestry of this line that we know of, are Silvanus

Johnson and his wife Elizabeth who lived on Snails Creek in Amelia County, Virginia in 1742. In 1754, they moved to Johnston County, NC. They had four sons who were Absalon, Benjamin, Richard, and Silvanus Jr. Silvanus the Senior died Sept. 1763.

Our line descended from Richard and wife Phereby whose children were William, Silvanus, III, Richard, Jr., Phillip, Phereby, II and Esther.

Then William, b. 1752, whose sons were Aaron, Moses, Jacob, John, William II, and Jesse.

Jacob settled in Rawleigh, NC and married Mary McDonough in 1801. Their son Andrew was born December 29, 1808 and became the 17th President of the USA.

Our line is from John, Jacob's brother. John settled in Wake Co., NC and married Martha Andrews, an Irish lady. Their children were Berry, an unknown child, Mary Ann, Sallie, Gillie, Jesse, and Gray.

Berry Johnson, the subject of this essay, was known in and near Raleigh, Wake County, NC in 1794. He married Lucy Blaylock, March 19, 1821. They moved to Dallas County, Alabama where their first four children were born. They were Martha Andrews II, b. March 1822, Mary Atkins b. April 1824, Sarah Brazier b. December 26, 1826, and Rebecca Troublefield b. September 28, 1828. Ten years after Alabama became a State, they moved to a place known as Jonesville, later to become Bridgeport. The fifth child and their first to be born in Jackson County, Alabama was William Blaylock b. August 1830. Then John Charles b. March 7, 1833, James Aaron b. 1835, Isaac Newton b. October 10, 1836, Frances Elizabeth b. March 18, 1838, Nancy Jane b. 1840, Lucy Virginia b. September 27, 1843 (See article Wm. Jas. Hughes), Gilla (Gillie) Alabama b. February 6, 1846, and the last (13th) Malinda Louise Tennessee b. February 16, 1849 who m. Alexander Cicero (A. C.) Loyd.

Berry Johnson was in the Florida War before his marriage, enlisting at the tender age of 18 years. Aunt Allie May Loyd stated in her remarks on the Johnson family that Berry had an ancestor by the name of Billy Duke Johnson, that he fought in the Revolutionary War. This would be William Johnson, Sr., father of John.

Berry and his family were active members of the Rocky Springs congregation of the church of Christ (See article Rocky Springs church of Christ). Berry serve the church as a Bishop (Elder) and on the 1847 list of members he is number 19 and his wife Lucy number 37.

Berry and Lucy are buried in the Mt. Carmel Cemetery. His grave monument is inscribed with the words, "First cousin of President Andrew Johnson." It is hoped that this will benefit our family historians, F.M.L. *Submitted by: F. M. Loyd and Harold B. Hughes, Sr., two of Berry's great-grandchildren.*

The Mose Johnson Family

"When A Boy Becomes A Man"

Moses Johnson and Johnnie Stovall Johnson were residents of Hollywood, Alabama, where they owned 72½ acres of land. They were strong and proud parents of twelve children. Times were very hard before and during the depression years, but they always managed to remain together. He was a farmer, a part-time barber and he also repaired shoes. Due to a misfortune, they lost all but five acres of land.

When Moses Johnson passed away in 1930, the family was left desolated. At this time, the oldest living son, Mose Johnson was fifteen years old and decided to go to work and try to earn a living for his family. This meant very little schooling, lots of hard work and very little money for him. In 1933 he joined the Civilian Conservation Corp and worked with them for over two years. He then worked different small jobs, until being drafted into the army. While still supporting his mother and younger siblings, he spent three years in the Far East. Just before leaving that area, the war ended and he was discharged. Since work was still hard to find for the black man, he re-enlisted in the army. During this tour of duty, he met his wife to be. That tour ended in 1947. He was married and re-enlisted in 1948. He was sent to Germany where his wife and son joined him the following year. After their second son was born, Mose re-enlisted into the air force, where he became M/Sgt. The family spent two years in Japan, as well as several air force bases in the states. He received an honorable discharge after 24 years of service for his country. After being a drivers license examiner for the state of Wisconsin, he retired from the work force.

On a visit to see his brother in Hollywood, he decided to move back home to help his brother build a new church building. His mother passed away in 1978. The oldest two sisters, Maebell Stearns and Annex Grayson lived most of their lives in Hollywood. Maebell moved to Ohio with her children until death a few years ago. Annex still lives

in a nursing home in Chattanooga, Tennessee where she is looked after by sisters, Savada Careathers, Helen Mullins, and Ethel Daniel, also living in Tennessee. Omega Smith lives part of the year in Alabama and part in Michigan. Louis Johnson lives in Connecticut. Charlie Johnson died in 1987 in Hollywood and Lorene Jenkins resides in California.

After Mose, Charlie and Omega gave their share of the family land, Mose and Charlie helped to build the new Mt. Zion Missionary Baptist Church.

A grandfather of three grandsons, Mose serves as deacon in the Church, a charter member and chaplain of the Disabled American Veterans, vice-president of the NAACP and charter member of the past Hollywood Lions Club. His favorite Bible scripture is John 3:16. Submitted by: Mrs. Priscilla E. Johnson, 368 County Road 31, Hollywood, AL 35752.

Jones

When Gideon and Tabitha Welborn removed from North Carolina to Barren County, Kentucky, in 1805, they were accompanied by William Jones and wife Mary (Smith). The Jones family had been closely associated with the Teague and Welborn families as can be shown in North Carolina deeds. There is a Rowan County, North Carolina, deed from Cadwallader Jones to William Jones, dated 2 February 1801. The witnesses were William and Samuel Welborn who were brothers of Gideon. This land had belonged to William Teague who sold it to Cadwallader Jones in 1791. The witness at that time was William Welborn. When William Jones, preparing to leave for Kentucky, sold this land to Isaac Teague in October 1805, the witness was Gideon Welborn's brother Joshua. Gideon Welborn's daughter Isabelle married William Jones' son Eleazar Aquilla Jones in Barren County, Kentucky on 17 June 1813. Eleazar Jones was born 13 August 1794 in Stokes County, North Carolina and died 24 August 1871 in Barren County, Kentucky. None of Eleazar's family accompanied the Welborns to Jackson County, Alabama. Eleazar and Isabelle Welborn Jones had the following nine children, all born in Barren County, Kentucky; Elizabeth (married Moses Peden); Nancy (married Archibald Sanders); William (see below); Mary (married Oliver Austin Burgess); Smith (married Mary Ann Elliott); Tabitha (married Sparrel E. Burgess and removed to what is now LeFlore County, Oklahoma); Elias Thompson (married Eliza Ann Fisher and removed to Dallas County, Missouri); Martha Ann (married David M. Jones), and Moses M. (died at age 18). After Isabelle's death in 1836, Eleazar married Mary Mizell and had five more children. Eleazar Jones was a farmer and a member of Poplar Log Baptist Church. The given names Isabelle and Tabitha were used by subsequent generations in Eleazar's family, thus recognizing the Welborn heritage.

William Jones, my ancestor and grandson of Gideon and Tabitha Welborn, was born 2 Jun 3 1818 in Barren County, Kentucky. He married Sarah Jane Berryman on 24 March 1844. She was a daughter of William and Mary (Landess) Berryman. In August 1853 William moved his family by ox team and wagon from Barren County to Mills County, Iowa. There are Mills County, Iowa, land records dating from 1854 to 1863 pertaining to William Jones. To William and Sarah Berryman Jones were born the following eleven children: Mary Isabelle, Susan Ann, Martha Green, John Henry Thompson, William Oliver, Sarah Matilda, Benjamin Franklin, Serintha Leota, Elmer Grant, Minor Colfax, and Amie Orpha. The first four were born in Barren County; the remaining



Mose Johnson

children were born in Mills County. About 1880 William Jones moved his family to Friend, Nebraska, where he died on 18 January 1883. Final settlement of the estate was not until 1899.

My grandfather, Elmer Grant Jones, was born 15 September 1866 near Glenwood, Mills County, Iowa. After the Jones family had removed to Nebraska, Elmer made his home with his sister's family in Thomas County, Kansas. Elmer (called Grant) first bought land in 1897. He married Anita Evelyn Fleming on 25 December 1901 in Barton County, Missouri. It is said that Anna was a cook in a hotel in Colby, Kansas. The marriage took place in Barton County, Missouri, because Anna had lived for many years with her aged grandparents and it was too difficult for them to travel to Kansas. After the wedding, the newlywed couple made their home in Thomas County, Kansas. They are shown on the 1905 state census.

Anna was a daughter of Martin and Arvilla (Gage) Fleming. Martin Fleming was a descendant of Edward Doty and of William Brewster, passengers on the Mayflower. About 1910 Grant and Anna (Fleming) Jones moved to Washington County, Oregon and settled on a farm at Banks.

In later years, the family moved into Hillsboro where Elmer died 13 March 1951. There were four children: Ruth Agnes, Faye Evelyn, Darrell Grant, Audrey Maybelle. My mother Audrey Maybelle Jones was born 22 April 1911 at Banks, Oregon. She married Lowell McAlear 25 December 1934 at Portland, Oregon. Lowell was the son of Everett J. and Alta (Good) McAlear. About 1937, after Lowell finished medical school in Portland, he and Audrey moved to Oakland, California. Three children were born in Oakland: Robert (myself), Grant, (died at six months), Vicki who lives in Cornelius, Oregon. In 1962 I married Debbie Pérez at San Pablo, California. Debbie is the daughter of Agapito and María del Socorro (González) Pérez. We have one son, John Everett, who lives in Lucerne, California. John has one son, Stephen Alan McAlear, born 1991. Submitted by: Robert McAlear, P.O. Box 23, Nice, CA 95464.



William Jones (1818-1891) in 1876

The Jones Family in Jonesville (Bridgeport), Jackson County, Alabama

The origin of the Jones family in Bridgeport was Robert "Virginia Bob" Jones. He was probably born in Wales, and then settled near Lunenburg County, Virginia after his career as a ship captain. He and his wife Polly (Petters) Jones had at least two sons. Armstead Jones was born April 17, 1778 and his younger brother Robert Jr. was born February 10, 1782.

Armstead married Jane Smithson (2/19/1782 - 10/26/1828) on December 26, 1799, in Lunenburg, VA. They had at least 3 children: Robert P. Jones (10/26/1801), Charles Smithson Jones (12/29/1802) and William Jones (4/12/1804).

Armstead's brother Robert Jr. married Mary P. Wilson (7/14/1783) on 12/15/1800, in Lunenburg, VA. Their daughter Cordelia was born there on 1/7/1806. Robert and Mary also had sons Jack, Robert (the 3rd), and Pleasant H. Jones (1801), and daughters Melvina V. (6/22/1813), Lou E. (1824), and Jane Smithson Jones (5/5/1830).

In 1813, about when Alabama became a state, Armstead and Robert Jones Jr. moved into Northern Alabama. Armstead settled in Madison County and Robert Jr. in Jackson County. Although Robert's son Pleasant moved to Bastrop County, Texas, and his sons Jack and Robert III are so far unaccounted for, Robert Jr.'s daughters and their descendants are among many of the families in Jackson County today.

Robert and Mary's daughter Melvina married William S. Allen (9/18/1814 - 10/8/1900) and had children Martha (1839), Robert (1841), Malinda (1843), Catherine (1845), and Alexander (1848). Robert and Mary's daughter Lou married John W. Alley (3/3/1827-4/30/1881) and had children G. W., Robert E. (1848) (who became a

well-known judge in the area), Nancy J., Thomas M., Anna, and W. E. Robert and Mary's youngest daughter Jane married the well known Captain Flavius Josephus (F. J.) Graham. Jane and F. J. Graham's story is told in *The Stevenson Story* by Eliza B. Woodall. Robert and Mary's daughter Cordelia married her cousin, Armstead's son Charles Smithson Jones, on 7/4/1831 in her father's house in Jackson County. Robert died on 11/6/1847, but Mary lived to see her 100th birthday, finally passing on 3/12/1884.

Charles and Cordelia ("Delia") Jones lived in Jackson County, where their son Jasper Jefferson was born on 1/24/1832. Several other children followed: Marion Norris (4/8/1835), Bradley Crawford (3/30/1839), Perry Pleasant (4/4/1841), Robert Armstead (born in New Market, Madison County, on 12/10/1842), Mary Jane (7/30/1844), and Sarah Elisebeth ("Sallie") (4/24/1846).

From 10/26/1837 to 4/12/1838, Charles served as a Private in the Florida Seminole War. In return for his service in the war, Charles (and Delia, after his death) were granted bounty land in the Bridgeport area. Charles eventually ended up owning most of the present-day town of Bridgeport. This land, in addition to the land he, Delia, and his father-in-law Robert Jones Jr. already owned, resulted in Bridgeport's original name of Jonesville, incorporated with the Jonesville Post Office in 1852. The railroad bridge was completed in February of 1854, and in December, the town's name was changed to Bridgeport.

Charles Jones, for whom Jonesville (later called Bridgeport) was named, died in 1850. His four sons all enlisted in the War. Jasper was a Major; Marion was a 1st Lieutenant and Scout; Brad was a Private in the Cavalry, Perry was a Sergeant who died at home of typhoid and Robert Armstead (R. A.) was a Corporal who was captured and imprisoned at Camp Douglas near Chicago.

After the war, Jasper returned to his attorney practice. He married Madge Warwick on 12/7/1876, and had a 6-month old daughter when he was murdered on 2/6/1878 at his new home in Scottsboro. Marion married Catherine Elizabeth Mason (b. 6/4/1840, daughter of his father's friend Dr. William B. Mason) and moved to Navarro County, Texas in 1868 with his two baby daughters Cora (12/10/1866) and Agatha (6/10/1868). Brad married Martha Cora Pogue (born 3/23/1871) and stayed in Bridgeport, as did R. A., who married Elizabeth Catherine Glover on 12/9/1868. Charles Jones' daughter Sallie married Thomas Deakins of South Pittsburg, TN. Her sister Mary Jane never married.

Brad and Martha had 4 sons, Jasper Robert ("Jack"), Charles Pogue (C.P.), Perry William, and Bradley Crawford, Jr. and 2 daughters, Effie Belle, and Mai Dee. Brad Sr. was the Bridgeport City Clerk from 1909 to 1912. In 1912, he was the Adjutant of the Joe Wheeler Camp (Alabama Chapter #260) of the United Confederate Veterans. He was a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church and the Woodsmen of the World. Brad Sr. died on 12/9/1920.

Brad Sr.'s son Jasper had died on 6/6/1919. Brad's son C. P. moved to Birmingham, and his sons Perry had moved to Chattanooga by 1914. Brad Jr. lived in Bridgeport for some time, and was a well-known druggist who also served as City Tax Assessor in 1914. By 1920, he had followed his brother to Chattanooga. Brad Jr. had at least 2 sons, Brad 3rd and Jasper. Brad 3rd currently lives in Gadsden, AL, and Jasper lives in Jasper, TN. Brad Sr.'s daughter Effie Belle married B. F. Simpson. His other daughter, Mai Dee, never married, but ran a boarding house in Bridgeport for many years. She died on 12/6/1946.

Charles Jones' youngest son R. A. Jones later became very well known in Bridgeport. He served as Mayor, built the Bridgeport Inn, and was a Director of several companies. R. A.'s son Charles Glover Jones owned an insurance agency and operated the Bridgeport Inn, where he died on 7/2/1917. R. A.'s daughter Ollie May married F. H. Edmonds and had a son, "Buster". Later, she married Colonel Galloway of the Galloway Coal Company in Memphis. R. A.'s wife Eliza died on 5/8/1895. Late in life R. A. enjoyed taking trips with his daughter. He died at her home in Memphis on 4/6/1922.

With the death of R. A. and Mai Dee, the Jones name left Bridgeport, although their descendants the Grahams, Allens, Alleys, Edmonds and others are still very much a part of the daily life. *Submitted by: Greg Jones*

The Presidential Garden of Stanley and Sue Jones

History fills the pages of many a history buffs collection, but a Scottsboro native who makes his home in Atlanta, Ga., nurtures a

garden of history. A walk through Stanley Jones flower garden is like taking a presidential tour — a collection of various flowers and trees from presidential sites throughout the nation and other famous sites throughout the nation and the world.

Stanley attributes his love of flowers to his late mother, Mrs. Alice Collins Jones, of Scottsboro, who grew the hardiest petunias in boxes he has ever seen. "She was practicing organic gardening and didn't know it," says Stanley. "Dishwater filled with crumbs, coffee grinds or other food waste fertilized her petunias."

Known by long-time Scottsboro friends for his determination to see something through to the end, Stanley says he also got that perseverance from his mother. This determination is exhibited in the large variety of "presidential" flowers, bushes and trees, he has managed to collect over the years from the home sites of American presidents across the country.



Sue and Stanley Jones with President Carter and wife Rosalynn, January, 1977.

Stanley's collection of presidential flowers has been a hobby since the early 1970's. He admits his garden is a "hodge-podge" — plants placed at random, in no particular order. Since retiring, Stanley devotes more time nurturing and in the propagation of his garden.

Stanley has collected planting from every U.S. president's home or related site — including a yellow rose from Bill Clinton's childhood home, Hope Arkansas. His garden also includes plants from other historical figures such as a rose from Martin Luther King, Jr., Shakespeare and a shrub from the home of Ralph McGill, a former editor of *The Atlanta Constitution*.

In 1976, Queen Elizabeth sent a rose bush from Windsor Castle in celebration of our nation's Bicentennial; from Camp David he received tulip bulbs; rose cutting from the United Nations gardens in New York City; and a rose bush from the garden surrounding the Statue of Liberty.

Stanley, a self-described "presidential buff" and his wife, Sue, began their collection in the early 1970's. Sue, also an avid gardener, helped with the project for many years until she became seriously ill. Stanley devotes much of his time caring for his wife these days.

Stanley is proud to have had the opportunity to take roses to the dedication of the John F. Kennedy Library in Boston, that he had received from the Hyannis Port home of the late president.

Stanley feels his fledgling garden of flowers and plants is but a small reflection of the beauty and grace of this country and of those who led it.

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Homer Johnson's Family

The 1930s experienced a vast expansion of TVA backwaters around Aspel. People who had homes and farms in the flood plains had to scramble for farms in the higher elevations. TVA helped relocate these families. Limrock received some of these families.

The J. P. Wynn family lived in the flood plains near Aspel. J. P.'s daughter, Veda Wynn Johnson, tells of her school days at Aspel. During high water times she was transported from her home by "skiff" to where she could walk to school. Her family's farm in Sauta Bottom was later covered by the backwaters of Sauta Creek.

In 1937 the Wynns bought the Cass Staples farm just west of Wille Gentle's store and south of the newly constructed Lee Highway 72. The home they bought faced the mountains south because that was where the main road ran then from Stephen's Gap to Limrock. Residents who lived along the roadway gave a few days each year to maintain the road. It had served as a wagon and stage road from Woodville to Limrock to Aspel. The house was redesigned to face the new highway.

Veda Wynn attended school at Jackson County High in Scottsboro. She married Homer Johnson. After Homer's death in 1991,

she continued to live there with her daughter and son-in-law (Herbert and Sandra Johnson Barnes) living nearby. Homer is buried in the Cedar Hill Cemetery at Scottsboro.

Homer loved Limrock with its mountains, streams and great stories. He passed this love along to his son-in-law. Herbert retells some of Homer's stories that were passed along during their good times together. Homer passed along through Herbert about the time when Homer was a little boy at home with his parents Marion and Cassie Johnson near Stephen's Gap. Homer was too little to get aboard a mule. Marion would place Homer on a mule behind a sack of corn for the grist mill at Limrock. Homer would ride alone around the mountain road to the grist mill. When he got there the miller would lift him and his corn off the mule. The corn would be ground into meal. Then Homer and the meal would be put back onto the mule for the trip back home.

Such was the way people cared for each other. This act of caring was no less important than when Homer and Veda lived at home with their extended families caring for Veda's parents and her 101-year old grandmother until their deaths. Veda still lives there with her fond memories. *Submitted by: Marlin D. Tucker, 12229 Spring Road, Tanner, AL 35671.*

George Bremmerman and Brenda Kay (Williamson) Jones Family

Brenda Kay Williamson (b: 2/9/53) is the second child of Mary Grace (Smith) and Edward H. Williamson (b: 10/2/20 - d: 5/17/97). (See Edward H. Williamson family article). She is the granddaughter of R. H. Oscar Williamson, formerly of Clay Co., AL. (See R. H. Oscar Williamson family article).

Brenda Kay Williamson grew up on the Williamson family farm at Bowman's Crossroads. She attended elementary school at Dutton Jr. High at Fyffe and graduated at Geraldine High School, Geraldine, AL in 1973.

Brenda married Roger McBrayer at Rev. McCafferty's

home. They were divorced and Brenda married George Bremmerman Jones (b: 10/13/52) on 1/3/77, at Bessemer, AL. George had one child by a previous marriage: Amber Renee Jones (b: 10/30/73). He and Brenda have one child Lisa Marie Jones (b: 6/17/81). Brenda is a housewife and George is a train operator and machinist at U.S. Steel. They live at Bessemer, AL.

Amber Jones married Marvin Miller on 11/21/92. They have a daughter, Rachel Nicole Jones (b: 9/22/96). Amber is a receptionist for Dr. Ellen Weber in Birmingham, AL. Lisa is an honor student in home school called I.C.S. and plans to attend Montevallo College next fall. She will be 16 years of age when she enters college. *Submitted by: Brenda Kay Jones, Bessemer, AL*

Joseph William Jones and Lula Lee Adams

Joseph William Jones was born on 18 Oct. 1874, in Pike County, Georgia. He was the son of Seaborn Gideon Jones, b. 12 Dec. 1849, Pike County, GA, d: 19 Jan 1929, Dekalb County, AL, and Mary Louisa Jane Elizabeth Clayton, b: 27 March 1854, d: 9 April 1927, in Dekalb Co. AL.

Lula Lee Adams was born 5 Jan, 1878, in Pike Co. GA, and died on 26 May 1949, in Jackson County AL. She was the daughter of Benjamin Howell Adams, b: 14 September 1851, Pike Co. GA, d: 30 June 1890, Pike Co. GA, and Ella Elizabeth Smith, b: 19 Jan 1855, Pike Co. GA, and d: 11 Apr 1915, Pike Co. GA. Her father died of diseases following the Battle of Chickamauga GA.

Joseph and Lula were married 10 December 1893 in Pike Co., GA where the first two children were born.

In 1899, Seaborn Jones and his wife migrated to Alabama with their family, including the married children. Family lore says that the family money was divided between the men and the women and most of the men traveled to Dekalb County, AL, by covered

wagon. The women and the rest of the men boarded a train in Pike County, GA, traveled thru Atlanta to Chattanooga TN, and then back to Collinsville, AL where they were met by the men. After farming for one year in the Kilpatrick area of Dekalb County, they moved to the



Joseph W. Jones, Lula L. Adams

Macedonia Community in Jackson County. The reason for the migration was the high price of land, \$4.00 per acre, in Georgia.

Joseph and Lula bought their first twenty acres with a small cabin (two rooms) in Jackson County for \$20.00 and a shot gun. As the family got larger, a larger home was built.

The children of Joseph and Lula were: 1) Benjamin Lafayette, b: 22 Apr 1895, Pike Co. GA, d: 15 Jan. 1980, Jackson Co. AL, m: Mary Jane Wilborn on 11 Dec. 1918; 2) Mary Elizabeth "Bessie" b: 20 June 1897, Pike Co. Ga and d: 29 Dec. 1984, Jackson Co., AL, m: Oscar H. Black on 22 Feb. 1925; 3) Gideon Samuel, b: 24 Nov 1899, Dekalb Co. AL, and d: 13 Aug 1982, Bibb Co. AL, m: Pluma Roden on 20 Nov. 1922; 4) John Alfred Jones, b: 24 Oct 1901, and d: 9 September 1975, in Jackson Co. AL, m: Vada Loe Boozer on 26 Oct 1922; 5) Ella Inez Jones, b: 25 November 1903, Jackson Co. AL, and d: 22 Dec 1929, Dekalb Co., AL, m: Dewey Hilley on 22 Dec 1918 6) Joseph Barnett Jones, b: 11 May 1907 and d: 8 May 1973 in Jackson Co. AL, m: Myrtis Boozer on 5 Sep 1925; 7) Robert Willingham Jones, b: 29 Oct 1910, and d: 30 June 1983, in Jackson Co., AL, m: Arley Ruth Butts, on 21 May 1939; and 8) Homer Lee Jones, b: 23 Mar. 1913, and d: 13 June 1941.

In the early 1920's Alfred was sick with Typhoid Fever and Lula and Bessie were alone with him, when the house caught fire. In some way, unknown to them, Lula and Bessie got Alfred and the bed out of the house without getting him out of the bed. The furnishings were all burned. When lumber had been cut and prepared, the neighbors helped to rebuild on the original site, and helped to furnish the new home, as was customary in the community.

In addition to the loss of home and furnishings, the minutes of the Corinth Baptist Church were burned, as Bessie was church clerk at the time. Joseph had served as Sunday School Superintendent and Lafayette (Fayette), then Bessie, served as church clerk. Others of the children served in a variety of offices at other times.

Joseph and Lula and all their children, with spouses, except Gideon are buried in Corinth Baptist Cemetery in Macedonia. Gideon and Pluma are buried in Bibb County, AL. *Submitted by: Committee and Researched by: Clifford D. Black, PO Box 165, Rainsville, AL 35986.*

Reverend Leroy Jones

Rev. Leroy Jones was born September 5, 1895 in Delton, Tennessee. He attended elementary and high school in Coffey County Tennessee near Murfreesboro. He married April 9, 1925. The Jones have one daughter, Mrs. Bessie Lee Marlin of Cleveland, Ohio, and have two grandchildren, Pam and Robert. Reverend Jones worked on the railroad and at the Stove Foundry in Bridgeport. They lived in Bridgeport for 56 years. Reverend Jones began his ministry in 1930 and he pastored Saint John Methodist Church for eight years. He continued to pastor until 1964. He did not stop preaching until his death. He was active in local church services and served as Vice President of the Fellowship Group that met in Bridgeport, South Pittsburg, Cedar Grove, and Hollywood. *Submitted by: Committee, Archie Stewart, 217 Walnut Street, Scottsboro, AL 35768.*

Stanley Jones

A Brief Stroll Along Eight Genealogical Lines!

It was in the 16th century. The setting was in Dublin, Ireland. My 12th great grandfather, Sir Adam Loftus (1533-1591), was designated Lord Chancellor of Ireland in 1581 and in 1591, became the first Provost of Trinity College. I am prone to believe that Mr. Loftus' background as a college official, influenced my mother some 340 years later, but, that is getting ahead of the story!

Tracing the Loftus family from Ireland to Virginia, we discovered that a Mary Wallace married a Thomas Collins ... who begat a son, Col. Barbee Collins (1771-1843) of Franklin County, Tennessee. Col. Collins, my 3rd great-grandfather, was one of the heroes of the Battle of New Orleans, so indicates the inscription on his tombstone, found in Keith Cemetery, near Huntland, Tennessee. It is reported that Col. Collins served under Gen. Andrew Jackson in the War of 1812. It is also said that Gen. Jackson visited and fished with grandpa Collins near Huntland. And, surely, surely, Col. Collins was a member of that "backwoods" gang who wreaked havoc with the elegant White House furniture, while celebrating at Pres. Jackson's inaugural party!

Col. Collin's son, Archibald (1803-1882), and his wife, Frances Martin (1825-1900), sired by grandfather, Anthony Bureaugard Collins (1862-1945) ... who, of course was called "General" for that famous confederate general! It is reported that Archibald migrated to Ft. Worth, Texas, and a street there, bears his name today. "Gen" A. B. Collins of Estill Fork, Alabama ... a one-store village, served as Tax Assessor of Jackson County, County Seat at Scottsboro, Alabama, 1909-1913. But, he is better known as the "General" who left home for several months at a time, roaming the mountains and streams, surviving by hunting and fishing. Also, this jolly, gentle fellow liked his bourbon toddy each night ... "homebrew" as it was called then.

The "General" and his spouse, Mary Jane Bean Reid (1860-1935, Carnes, AL) were the parents of my mother, Alice Hannah Collins Jones (1892-1981, Scottsboro). What a character she was. In my judgment, she epitomized those classic words of William Faulkner: Paraphrased ... "Mankind will not only endure; mankind will prevail." Alice prevailed! On her gravemarker are these words: "Widowed 50 years, young at 89, Alice loved the Lord, conquered crises,



Alice Collins Jones, age 80

enjoyed life, adored pink, served the needy. Loving, compassionate, fearless, indestructible, enthusiastic, shrewd, strong-willed, frugal, uptodate, Alice was a provider, adviser, letter-writer, gardener, walker, dispenser of remedies. Democrat, legend." A simple, unknown person, Alice was one of the true heroines of this nation, joining the innumerable one-parent mothers, who worked, survived,

and raised their children to adulthood. [Note: Alice's parents are buried at Estill Fork. Dad and Alice are buried in Clay Cemetery, Princeton, Alabama, as are Dad's parents: Seaborn Allison Jones (1858-1935) and wife, Louisa Adaline Hardin (1860-1904), and also Seaborn's parents, John A. Jones (1835-1903) and Martha Pennington Jones (1841-1904)].

Alice was a "yellow-dog" Democrat and was "hipped" on educating her two sons. In my opinion she made a classic comment herself: "I don't care if the Democrats nominate Martin Luther King for president. I will support him." In 1969 mind you! Yes, a left-handed compliment to Dr. King, but she meant it.

More than anything else, she was determined that her sons obtain college degrees. Of the 13 nieces and nephews in her family, her sons were the only ones to graduate from college, albeit, neither distinguished himself in college. (One of her grandsons, Stanley Seaborn Jones, Jr., became a Rhodes Scholar.). Mostly self-educated, Alice received about four years at schooling in a one-room "Freedom" church-school at Estill Fork, Ala. From all available records, it is apparent that she lived longer (almost 89) than any of her forebears ... all the way back to Sir Adam Loftus.

Not all of this educational drive came from her, for her husband, John Andrew Jones (1884-1931) of Princeton, Al. was a self-taught school teacher and principal ... quite well-read, having a collection of William Jennings Bryan's *The World's Famous Orations* in his large library. For this Democratic mother, there is an ironical political twist to this educational bit. One son, Stanley, and his son

Willis, received university diplomas signed by gentlemen who became Republican presidents of the United States! General Eisenhower, as President of Columbia University, signed Stanley's diploma when he was graduated from that institution's Teacher's College, in 1948. And, in 1973, Gov. Ronald Reagan, inked Willis' sheepskin when he received the undergraduate degree from the University of California at Berkley.

Possibly Alice's fine political instincts were carried over to two of her grandchildren. Two grandsons, Stanley, Jr. and Willis A. Jones, both, worked for President and Mrs. Jimmy Carter in Washington. Such political heritage has to be shared with their mother's (Sue Hawkins) family. Sue's grandfather, William Ashley Hawkins (1862-1938), was elected mayor of Macon (1910-1912) and served in Bibb County government for some 38 years.

Lest one gets away with the Collins side of my family, the Jones faction had at least one legendary character through the genes of my father, John Andrew Jones. His grandmother was a Hardin ... a niece of Col. Joseph Hardin (1734-1801). A farmer, soldier, statesman, Col. Hardin lived in North Carolina, and, later, Tennessee areas. For his military services during the Revolutionary and Indian wars, he received, in 1785, from the state of North Carolina, some 3,000 acres of land in the middle Tennessee area. It is now named Hardin county, in memory of him!

Apocryphal ... or not ... in these specific cases, the influence and heritage of the past is passed on. Our physical immortality, too, is passed on, for each of us becomes immortal through our heirs! Our spiritual immortality is also passed to those who are influenced — or touched — by us.

Some other family-genetic-names in the chain of these eight lines, include: Henshaw, Reid, Collins, Golden, Hall, Robertson, Hunt, Sanders, Shirley, McVey, Cowan, Looney, Woods, Freeman, Bouldin and Sweargin (there's a Spanish princess in that line!) — all with roots in Jackson County! Submitted by: Stanley Jones (Dec. 29, 1922-!, 4620 Wieuca Rd NE, Apt 51, Atlanta, GA 30342.

Sue (Hawkins) and Stanley Seburn Jones, Sr.

Forgive my immodesty, as I pay tribute to my parents for the marvelous heritage they passed on to me, brother Willis, and to my children, Tom, Mike, Billy and Karen.

My parents were pioneers, using high intelligence, creativity, persuasiveness, persistence, independent thought and a social conscience, honed by membership in the Presbyterian Church, to work for peace and harmony among peoples everywhere. They participated in business, education, culture, politics, and sports wherever they lived. They planted trees and flowers everywhere. The inscription on Mom's tombstone (March 14, 1991) reads Presbyterian, National Democrat, Honored Auburn graduate, Realtor, Teacher. Both populist and pratician, no person was too black, too poor, too foreign, too irreverent, too iconoclastic, too bedraggled, nor too rich or famous to be in our home. All were invited and came to our home. A wonderful duo of thinkers and doers, they practiced what they preached! They established so many FIRSTS among their journey!

Dad was born in Scottsboro, 1922, lost his dad in 1931, reared by his mother of indestructible will, instilling her two sons (brother, Wayne) in the faith to meet any challenge and to appreciate their heritage and to thank and express gratitude to those many folks who helped them along life's journey. Dad does that until this day. Classmates in the 1940 Jackson County High School selected him as the "Best All-Around Student". At 5 feet 10 inches, 145 pounds, many say he was the most courageous and best linebacker ever on a JCHS football team. He was also a member of the National Honor Society. This slightly built lad, a freshman at Auburn in 1940, led a group of independent non-fraternity freshmen to rebel against hazing. They won! Dad and Mom (from Macon, Georgia) met at Auburn in 1941. Off to military service, Dad was selected by classmates as the best military officer trainee at Ft. Sill. He served in Okinawa. Returned home in 1946 and participated in Bob Jones first run for Congress from Scottsboro. Bob's outstanding record serves as a model throughout the United States.

Mom and Dad were married in 1946, and were directors of Auburn's Presbyterian Student Fellowship, increasing membership from 40 to over 400 in a year. They also persuaded white students from Auburn to meet with Black students from Tuskegee, seeking ways to improve race relations. Another first.

Mom assisted Dad in getting a Master's Degree from Columbia University, working in Columbia's President Dwight Eisenhower's office! In 1949, they organized Southern College Personnel Association, some 40 members. There are 900 members in 1997! Another FIRST! In 1964, they were appointed Board members of the Black Presbyterian Stillman College, Tuscaloosa, appointed by a mentor, Dr. Sam Hay! In 1964, Dad, a personnel executive with Sear's Allstate Insurance Company, proposed and hired the first Black lady and first Black agent in Atlanta, as Allstate became an "equal-opportunity employer"! a tremendous first!

In 1965, presidents of Atlanta's Dykes High School PTA, they published a classic handbook: *Helping Teenagers Realize Their Potentialities*. Contributors included: Mark Van Doren, Alfred North Whitehead, Dwight Eisenhower, Lyndon Johnson, Adlai Stevenson, Dean Rusk, Reinhold Niebuhr, Stan Musial, and Werner Von Braun. In 1966, they nominated Margaret Kerr Taylor and Nora Milner for elders in Atlanta's huge Presbyterian Church. Today, there are 11,000 members, of the 59 elders, 25 are women! What a first!

As head of Atlanta's United Nations association chapter, they conducted and participated in peace seminars, featuring Henry Kissinger, George Bush, Earl Warren, Dean Rusk, Jimmy Carter, Coretta Scott King, Andrew Young, Averill Harriman, and Deng Xiaoping. When Andrew Young ran and was elected to Congress, they were in the vanguard, among whites in his campaign. In 1971, Mom was instrumental in helping to establish Atlanta's massive underground transportation system, making it possible for the Olympics to come to Atlanta in 1996! Wow, what a first! When John Gardner established the independent effective watchdog group, Common Cause, to check on governmental activities, my parents were chosen to lead this group in Atlanta. In 1973, they broke ground for their famous Presidential Garden in their backyard, collecting plant life from each presidential homesite, now up-to-date having received a rose bush from President Clinton's home, Hope, Arkansas!

In 1976, Mom was elected a delegate to the National Democratic Party's convention in Miami, Florida. In 1976, all four of us worked for Jimmy Carter's election to the Presidency of these United States. (I had previously worked on Governor Carter's staff, establishing the Mental Health Division in Georgia state government. Later, Willis and I worked on President Carter's staff in Washington. My interest in mental health continues until this day, working with Rosalynn Carter at the national level.) In 1979, they attended a White Confer-



Mayor Andrew Young, Stan Jones, Jr., Tom Madden Jones, Rosalynn Carter and Sue Jones

ence, at President Carter's invitation, to advise on transferring the Panama Canal to the Panamanians.

In the 1990's, they, along with Billie Prince Collins and Ray Collins, led the way in getting Dad's and Ray's nationally famous Scottsboro High School basketball coach, Wallace Guy "Mickey" O'Brien elected to the National High School Sports Hall of Fame, the first Alabama coach elected to that august group. In the 1990's Dad under Mom's pristine editorial pen, began writing about life in the 1930/1940's in Jackson County, was printed in the Daily Sentinel. This continues in 1997 and records very significant vignettes in Jackson County's fabulous history. They also organized and conducted the Soda Jerk Hall of Fame Event in Scottsboro in 1974, recognizing and paying gratitude to so many who had touched theirs and thousands of lives in Jackson County. Ingratitude, in their minds, is the greatest of sins! Mom and Dad met the famous, yet their greatest pleasure was in joining the simple, common folks, seeking to make their niche a better place for all. Maybe, maybe they did that. May their heritage continue in the lives they touched, and in my family. On a very modest income, they sent Willis and me to expensive colleges: University of California and Harvard. Thanks Mom and Dad! May their immortal spirit live forever! Submitted by: Stan Jones, Jr., 1073 Oakdale Rd., N.E., Atlanta, GA 30306.

William G. (Bill) Jones, Jr.

Coming back to Woodville in 1984 revived many memories of my hometown as I recalled the days of my youth.

In 1940 when Woodville High School was kind enough to give me a diploma little did I know the adventures ahead. It is fairly well documented that I, a graduate of the 17th senior class at Woodville, was the first person from the school to attend the University of Alabama.

Beginning a new life in Tuscaloosa I found many differences from what I had experienced in Woodville.

My father, William G. Jones, Sr. had carried the mail for 36 years ... in early times by horse and buggy over rutted and unpaved mountain roads, while my mother, Amanda, stayed at home in their home on Venson Street, tending yard, garden, and being active in the Woodville Culture Club. She was a charter member of the Woodville Missionary Church. Dad joined the next Sunday.

A mail carrier to people who in the 1920s and 1930s saw few non family members except the mail carrier meant that he developed a family-like relationship with those he served. When Dad died in 1979 at age 86, we were amazed at the number of people who still remembered him fondly and had stories and anecdotes which we will always treasure.

My father was born in Woodville in 1892 and my mother in Garth in 1902. When my father first taught my mother in school, he realized he was teaching the girl of his dreams. They married in 1920 and I was born two years later, as their only child.

After gaining a U. of A. degree while already on active army duty in 1943, I was off to World War II. Service in Patton's Third Army left great memories of men from across America.

After my discharge in 1945, I edited newspapers in East Alabama, back to the U. of A. in 1951 to graduate school.

However, in that post-war period I met the love of my life, a perky, pretty young lady, Jean Baird from Mt. Carmel, IL. Wedding bells rang in 1950 and by 1961 there were three children - William G. Jones III, Pat (now Mrs. Dan Richeson) and Elliott.

From graduate school we went to Jasper where I edited *The Mountain Eagle* and *The Walker Times*.

Then politics reared its head. In 1962 I was chosen by the newly-elected Governor George Wallace, to be his Press Secretary. I served Wallace in various ways until 1969.

During that service I campaigned in 46 of the 50 states, and was in Canada twice with the Governor.

Jean and I own Viewpoint Publications. We publish social studies textbooks and in 1997 entered the fiction market with our first fiction work, *Revenge of the Buck Naked Surfer Dudes*, a collection of short stories by B. J. Teller. Submitted by: William G. (Bill) Jones, Jr., P.O. Box 6, Woodville, AL 35776.

Irene Jordan

Irene Jordan was a lifelong citizen of Jackson County, Scottsboro, AL. She was a lifelong member of Joyce Chapel United Methodist Church where she served in many capacities.

Irene was very active in civic and religious affairs. She served as matron of Deborah Chapter, O.E.S., #629 for 14 years, Grand District Deputy of District 15 and also matron of The Matron's Council, Huntsville, AL. She received many awards and honors, but always cherished her Leadership Award from Auburn.



Irene Jordan

Irene was happiest when she was doing for others and could best be described as a "humanitarian." She truly tried to 'Live beside the road and be a friend to man.'

She was known and loved by many and devoted her life to her two daughters and five grandsons who fondly referred to her as "Nanny." Submitted by: Mary Abernathy.

Fletcher Taylor Judge

The Judge family came to Jackson County, Alabama between 1830 and 1840. The family had its roots in Halifax County, North Carolina. Fletcher Taylor Judge, the son of James Judge III (died 1826) and Martha Jenkins (died 1870-80) was born in Halifax County in 1813. He was the grandson of James Judge Jr. and Christian Hilliard, and the great-grandson of James Judge I, and Hannah Horn. The brother of James Judge I was Israel Judge. Israel Judge and his family settled in Duplin County, North Carolina.

Around 1833, Fletcher Taylor Judge married Anne Turk. It's believed they married somewhere in Tennessee, but no marriage certificate has been found. Anne Turk was born in 1813, and her father was James Turk, wife Polly?

Fletcher Taylor Judge died during the Civil War. Fletcher Judge, his sons and other Confederate troops were being transported by train; F. T. and his sons were riding on a railroad flat-car; he fell from the car and was killed. (This information was furnished by Lawrence "Nick" Judge of Dallas, Texas.)

Fletcher Taylor Judge and his wife had the following children: James B. Judge; Mary Ann Judge; William Edward Judge; Martha (Mattie) Jane Judge; Thomas Jeff Judge; Robert Taylor Judge; Hilliard Means Judge; Sarah E. Judge and M. E. Judge (female).

Several of the sons of Fletcher Taylor Judge served in the Confederate Army during the Civil War. William Edward Judge served in Company K, 4th Alabama, as did his brother, Thomas Jeff Judge. William surrendered at Appomattox Courthouse in 1865. Thomas Jeff Judge died at the Battle of Chickamauga and is believed to have been buried there. It is believed that James B. Judge served in the Confederate Army, but his Civil War records have not yet been found.

William Edward Judge married Sophia Swafford in 1864, his brother married Margaret E. Kelly, and James B. Judge's branch of the family migrated to Franklin County, Tennessee, where many of them still live.

Fletcher Taylor Judge has descendants in Alabama, Tennessee, Texas, California, and many other states. Since 1974, his descendants have held a family reunion on the fourth Sunday in July, at the North Jackson County Co-op in Stevenson, Alabama. *Submitted by: Committee and Researched by: Sandra Hayes Johnson.*

Sam Parish Judge

Sam Parish Judge was born in Jackson County, Alabama on 17 November 1903. He was the son of William James Judge and Mary Ellen Little, and the grandson of William Edward Judge and Sophia Swafford.

In August of 1919, Sam Parish Judge enlisted in the United States Army, serving in the 31st Infantry. He served in the Philippines, and in Siberia (Russia), when President Woodrow Wilson sent American troops to that country to protect American interests there. He was discharged from the army in 1922, and on 21 July 1923, married Nancy (Lucy) Miller, who was the daughter of Eif and Dixie Miller of Jackson County.

During World War II, Sam Parish Judge worked at the Huntsville Arsenal (later Redstone Arsenal) in the Chemical Unit.

The oldest child of Sam and Lucy Judge was Allie Lee Judge who married Walter Buren Hayes on July 4, 1942 in Arab, Marshall County. They had one daughter, Sandra Hayes Johnson.

Sam Parish Judge died on January 28, 1963, and Lucy Judge died in October 1975. They are buried at Goosepond Cemetery in Jackson County. *Submitted by: Sandra Johnson, 4207 Coffee Dr. SW, Huntsville, AL 35805.*

William James Judge

William James Judge was born in Jackson County, Alabama in 1868 and died in 1934. He was the son of William Edward Judge and Sophia Swafford.

On 22 August 1895, William James Judge married Mary Ellen Little, daughter of Sally (Sarah) Little. William and Mary Ellen had the following children: Emma Judge, married Charly Miller; William James Judge, married Audrey Pendergrass; Mary Elizabeth (Lizzie) Gant, married Erskine Gant; Sam Parish Judge, married Nancy (Lucy) Miller; Bob R. Judge; Lee Ellen Judge; David Jesse Judge, married Addie Miller; Hugh Boyd Judge, married Louise Gilliam, and John Louis Judge, who married Allie Ruth Evans.

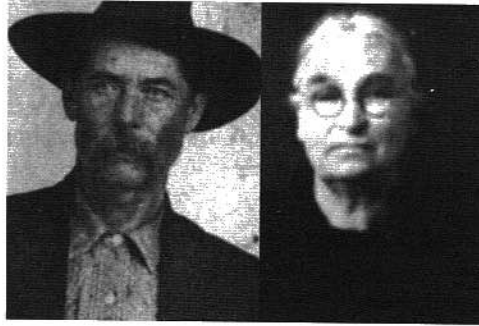
Bob R. Judge never married and Lee Ellen Judge died at age 17, in Huntsville, Madison County, Alabama.

William James Judge and his wife, Mary Ellen and several of their children are buried at Burgess Cemetery in Jackson County, Alabama. *Submitted by: Book Committee and Researched by: Sandra Hayes Johnson*

Tom Keef - Josephine Parker Keef

Thomas Keef was born May 18, 1858 in Whiteside, Tennessee. He was the son of Greenberry and Sarah Keef. Greenberry, who was born in Marion County, Tennessee, was described as a small man who was humped over due to a wound received in the Civil War. He never left Whiteside, Tennessee even for a visit.

Tom was only seven years old when he was out in the fields with Greenberry and the Parker brothers when soldiers came to enlist them to go to war. Tom had to run home and tell his mother that the others had gone to war.



Tom and Josephine Keef

Tom left Whiteside, Tennessee and moved to Scottsboro, Alabama where he met his wife, Josephine Parker (1882-July 3, 1928(9)). She was the daughter of Dan and Mary Parker. They

moved to Langston in Jackson County, and then to Fort Payne. Their homestead was in the ridges behind Shiloh Baptist Church, just off Lebanon Road. He was a farmer.

Tom and Josephine had seven children. They were Arthur Green, (March 3, 1886 - March 11, 1982); Hattie L., (April 3, 1888 - May 7, 1975); Lillie Ophelia, (September 28, 1896 - September 9, 1997); Jennie, (March 1886 - ?); Mary Birdie, (June 17, 1881 - February 25, 1968); John D., (May 1890 - ?); and Josie F., (August 1896 - ?). There was a half-brother, C. Oscar Martin who also lived in the household.

Arthur Green married Lula Pearl Williams. After her death, he married Lizzie Shankles. Hattie married William Ollie Reeves. Lillie Ophelia married Benjamin W. Scott. Jennie married John Williams. Mary Birdie married Dirt T. Bryant. John D. married Mary Holmes; Josie F. married Harrison Rothell and C. Oscar Martin married Tressie Denson.

Tom died October 13, 1923 and is buried at Shiloh Cemetery just off Lebanon Road. Josephine died July 3, 1928(9) and is buried beside Tom at Shiloh Cemetery.

Greenberry Keef and his wife Sarah, both of Marion County, Tennessee had five children. Franklin (June 23, 1855 - January 9, 1904); Caroline; Thomas, (May 18, 1858 - October 13, 1923); Mary E.; and John, (b. October 1867). Franklin, Mary and John were born in Alabama. Caroline was born in Georgia and Thomas in Tennessee.

Franklin married Louisa (?) (December 25, 1860 - November 20, 1900). They are buried at Shiloh Cemetery along with two of their five children, Fred and William G. Their children were: Fred, (November 25, 1887 - March 19, 1921); Ida, (b. April 1881); Bessie, (b. 1889); William G., (July 28, 1894- May 3, 1918) and Oscar, (b. May 1897). Fred was born in Georgia; William and Oscar, in Texas; and the others were born in Alabama.

Tom and Josephine are the maternal ggg-grandparents of Andy and Melissa Smith of Fort Payne. *Submitted by: Monia K. Smith, 3816 Steele Dr. SW, Fort Payne, AL 35967.*

Alfred And Joyce Kennamer

Alfred Julian Kennamer, son of Alfred Aubrey and Julia Christine Wilbourn Kennamer was born April 23, 1930, in Woodville, AL. His maternal grandparents were Maymie McGehee and James Wilbourn. His paternal grandparents were David Logan and Ophelia Wright Kennamer. He graduated from Woodville High School in 1948 and from Athens College with a degree in science. He served with the Korean Military Advisory Group during the Korean War. He married Joyce Money of Scottsboro on Dec. 17, 1950. Joyce is the daughter of James Morgan and Martha Elizabeth Robinson Money. Her maternal grandparents were Mary

Drucilla Rousseau and Frederick John Robinson. Paternal grandparents were Joseph Lunsford and Lucy Ann Payne Money. She graduated from Jackson County High School in 1949 and from the University of North Alabama and Alabama A&M with degrees in social studies. Alfred and Joyce taught in Jackson County Schools, he for 30 years, she for 33 years. Both were chosen as teacher of the year. They are both volunteers at the Methodist Church, the Democratic Club, and other civic organizations.



Stephen, Bryan, Alfred, Julie, Joyce, Kennamer Family

They have three children: Stephen Money Kennamer (9/13/1954) an attorney. He is a graduate of Scottsboro High School (SHS) and the University of Alabama. His wife is Ann Carol Dicus (6/4/1955), the daughter of Mary Nell Childs and George Dicus and Elizabeth Holder Dicus. They have two daughters — Georgia Diane (8/7/1978) a student at Mississippi State and Mary Houston (Molly) (11/12/1992). Ann graduated from Scottsboro High School and Jacksonville. She is employed by WZCT.

David Bryan (Ernie) (2/16/1956) is a teacher/coach. He is a graduate of SHS and UAB. His wife is Gretchen Marie Andrews (2/20/1960) daughter of Vera Avera and Richard Andrews. They have two daughters, Morgan Olivia (12/13/1992) and Skyler Elizabeth (5/24/1996). Gretchen graduated from Mississippi State and is employed at UAB.

Julie Elizabeth (9/13/1959) is married to James M. Burks (2/25/54) an employee of Mead. He graduated from Cotaco and Drake. Julie is a graduate of SHS and Athens College. She is employed by the City Water Board. Their children are Benjamin Scott (7/14/1976) of Decatur, Christopher (11/15/1980) a junior at SHS and Jamie Logan Burks (10/4/1985). She is a sixth grader at Page. *Submitted by: Joyce Kennamer, 507 S. Kyle, Scottsboro, AL 35768.*

Hans Kennamer

1738-1837

Hans was born in York County, Pennsylvania about 1738. His grandfather, Steffen Genheimer and his father, Jacob Genheimer, arrived at the port of Philadelphia on September 20, 1732. They, with other emigrants from the Palatinate Province of Germany, found passage to America from Rotterdam, Holland on the ship "Mary". Before leaving the ship, the captain administered the oath of allegiance to the German speaking passengers.

The port authorities made a list of the names of the new arrivals. As each person gave his name in the German language, the scribe entered in English the sounds he heard. Thus, Steffen Genheimer became Stephen Kennama. Steffen had been a land owner and farmer. His father was Hans Valten Genheimer. His mother's maiden name was Anna Marie Schmalz. His parents had married about 1645 in Oppau, Rhineland, Germany. Oppau was a farm village near Ludweighthafen.

The Pennsylvania authorities directed these newly arrived emigrants from the Palatinate to settle in York County. Since 1723, the Pennsylvania Colony had offered asylum to thousands of Protestants fleeing the religious and political oppression in the Palatinate. Their descendants, the Amish to this day, attest to the benefits the new world offered.

Nothing more is known about Steffen Genheimer. His son Jacob Gannermer and wife, Barbara, were living in the Corderus Settlement, York Co., Pennsylvania, at the time of the birth of their children, namely Hans 1738, Anna Maria 1741, and John 1747. In 1747, Jacob Kennamars and family settled on land purchased in Fredrick County, Maryland. This Maryland land was sold by Jacob and Barbara Kennamar in 1751. Jacob signed the deed with his mark (x).

Shortly after the sale of the Maryland land, Jacob Cannamore and his family joined other former residents of York County, Pennsylvania in a move to South Carolina. In 1752, Jacob Cannamore petitioned the Colonial government for a survey (land grant) of 350

acres. The survey was granted for land in the Broad River Watershed near Beaver Creek. The other former residents of York County were also given land at Beaver Creek. The families of Jacob Canamore, Michael Miller, Thomas Owens, Lawrence Free and others held religious services according to the rites of the German Baptist Brethren. Nothing further is known of Jacob and Barbara Canamore.

George, the eldest son of Jacob and Barbara, served in the Florida Campaign during the American War for Independence. His descendants settled as early as 1807 near Liberty, South Carolina. Many of them live there at this writing. The descendants of another son, John, migrated to northwest Georgia. This family use the spelling Kenemer or Kennemur. For several years, the descendants of John Kenemer have held an annual reunion at Red Clay State Park on the Georgia - Tennessee line in October.

Hance Canamore married Rachel (Riley?) about 1770. Pricilla, the first child, was born in 1772 in Fairfield County, South Carolina. On November 24, 1771, Hance bought land on Beaver Creek near the land owned by his father. On March 6, 1786, Hance and John witnessed the signature of John Lemley, Sr. to a deed. Lemley would later marry Pricilla Canamore.

The 1800 census of Fairfield County, South Carolina shows thirteen members in the Hans Canamore Family. Due to this large and the eroded over-cropped soil, the family decided it was time to move. By 1807, all the family land had been sold. In 1809, a census of Madison County, Mississippi Territory, revealed a Samuel Canamore with a family of seventeen members living on the head waters of the Flint River. Samuel had recently married. Hans and family were living in Samuel's household. In 1815, in violation of the terms of the treaty between the U.S. and the Cherokee Nation, the enlarged Canamore Family had settled in a cove-valley on the north side of Gunter Mountain. In 1819, this cove became a part of Jackson County, Alabama. In 1836, Kennamer Cove became a part of Marshall County, Alabama. This Kennamer clan had "squatter's rights" to their land claims until 1830.

Hans Kennamer was buried about 1837 in Pisgah Cemetery, Kennamer Cove, Marshall County, Alabama. Rachel died a year or so earlier. Their children were Precilla, Jacob, Jesse, Hance, Mary, Samuel, Stephen, John, Susan, Sallie, David, Abraham, Rachel, Levi and Zacariah. The descendants of the above children live in many places around the world. Since 1929, a yearly reunion has been held at the Kennamer Family Pavilion near Pisgah Church and Cemetery by those who are able to return. The 69th was held on the 1st Saturday in August, 1997.

For further information, send a correspondence to The Kennamer Family Association, Inc., P.O. Box 10, Woodville, AL 35776-0010 or to Historian Lewis Wendell Page Sr., P.O. Box 284, Scottsboro, AL 35768-0284 *Submitted by: Wendell Page, P.O. Box 284, Scottsboro, AL 35768-0284.*

Kennamer Twins To Serve Overseas During WWII

In the summer of 1943 Denton Kennamer of Woodville was asked to make a decision no father could possibly make. He already had three sons serving overseas in combat. He still had at home on the farm, his 18 year old twins, Melvin and Elvin and a younger brother Denton Jr., age 15.

With the Allies preparing for invasion of Europe and with casualties mounting on countless islands in the Pacific, more men were needed in the armed forces.

The elder Kennamer was told that one of the twin sons could be deferred from military service



Elvin Kennamer



Melvin Kennamer

because farming was considered essential to the war effort. But the other would have to be drafted.

Kennamer was told he could make the choice, he refused to make that choice. The draft board made the choice for him, Elvin was called into service. When Melvin heard this he volunteered to go with his twin brother into the army.

The two young men went through basic training together. In June, 1944, they went overseas together and were assigned to an installation in England. Their relatively safe assign-

ment across the English Channel from Europe where the bitter fighting was going on was not to last long.

Mounting casualties in the bitter fighting meant that replacements were needed in the front lines. The two Kennamer brothers were transferred to a replacement camp near Leige, Belgium.

After completing training they were assigned to the 10th Armored Division which had already advanced into Germany. On February 25, 1945, less than 24 hours after reaching the front lines, their unit came under heavy enemy fire. The unit was ordered to evacuate their position. When Elvin discovered his brother was not with him he thought he had been captured. Days later Elvin was crossing a stream, in the bitter winter and his feet were frozen and was hospitalized for frost bite. While in the hospital, he received the news, his twin brother was not a POW, he had been killed.

Elvin returned to the United States shortly after the V-E Day in 1945, and after further hospitalization, was discharged with 80 percent disability, which later was reduced to 50 percent.

Elvin returned to Woodville High School where he graduated in 1946. He later earned his degree from Jacksonville State, taught school for several years and then was named postmaster at Section where he remained until his retirement in 1984. Melvin Kennamer, killed in action, was buried at a military cemetery in Luxemborg, but in 1948, his parents asked that his body be returned to Woodville where today his remains rest in peace in the family plot at Kennamer's Cove. Submitted by: Book Committee.

Source: The Daily Sentinel - written by Jack Livingston

The Kennedys Or Cannadys Of Francisco, Jackson County, AL

Our search for my ancestry through Elijah Kenedy, my great-grandfather, was difficult because he was a river-boat captain, and his name shows up many places. We did however, locate him in a small community called Francisco, near the Alabama-Tennessee border in Paint Rock Valley, with his father and brothers in about 1840. His father, Stephen, and an older son of Stephen, James W., settled there in about 1830 and patented land. Other sons, John B., Stephen Jr., Solomon, Ezekiel, Samuel and Elijah, plus possibly others, were there by 1840, and most left descendants who are still in or near Jackson County, Alabama.

The father, Stephen, had been migrating from the vicinity of Raleigh, North Carolina. He was the son of Wagstaff and Behethland Cannady, who came to Raleigh from Eastern Virginia. A book called "Cannady and Allied Families" by Elizabeth Adams Tissot and Agnes Cannady Cashwell tells the story of Stephen's family, and those of his kin who remained near Raleigh.

Stephen migrated through Lee County, Virginia, and Bedford County, Tennessee, and left records there, plus possibly other places before settling permanently in Paint Rock Valley. There he

gathered his family about him. At least two of his sons eventually left the area. My Elijah settled in Camden County, Arkansas, and a brother, James W. who was a school teacher, settled in Madison County, Arkansas. All of Stephen's sons left children and descendants wherever they settled.

In our search, we found a very poignant eye witness story written in 1936 by E.J.D. Kennedy, son of Samuel, youngest boy in the Stephen Kennedy Family:

"On October 15, 1864, Samuel Kennedy was taken from his home by a band of guerrillas and murdered because of his political views. This was during the Civil War. While he was a Southern man, still he opposed secession of the Southern States from the Union. In other words, he was what was called a Union man. But while he was opposed to the rebellion, he determined to remain neutral, as he did not want to take up arms against the Southland, the land of his nativity, as many of his neighbors and near kinsmen were in the Southern Army."

"During those terrible days, the Southland was infested with bands of murderous devils and thieves who were continually killing and robbing their neighbors who were staying at home trying to make a living for their families."

"This left the widow at the closing of the war with four small children, with the country almost in a state of devastation incident to the war. While she had a small home, there was some debts against it with much of the fencing burned out, and feed stuff and stock destroyed or carried away, and living cost very high. She managed to pay out of debt and rear and support her family. As to education, she was not able to give them that, as the country had no free schools at that time, and not much rural schools of any kind. But one thing she did not overlook, and that was religious instruction. That she taught by precept and example."

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Bertha Lee Kennedy

My Grandmother, Bertha Lee Kennedy, descended through early settlers of Jackson Co., Alabama. Her paternal grandparents were Ezekiel 1838 and Sarah Elizabeth (Crews) Kennedy. Her maternal grandparents were John W. 1833 and Margaret Carolyn (Carden) Williams.

Bertha Lee Kennedy, the 7th child of Richard Grant Kennedy and Millie Gemima (Williams) Kennedy was born on a cold windy day, 24th March 1896, in a log house in Trenton, Jackson Co.,



Charlie Douglas Clifton, Bertha Lee (Kennedy) Henderson Clifton, John Wylie Henderson

Alabama. Bertha was still a child when her parents, looking for better opportunities for their large family, made the move to Oklahoma and Texas.

Bertha married John Wylie Henderson, 29 Aug 1914 at

Daingerfield, Texas. Three children were born of this union. 1. John Wm. Earl B 10 Jun 1914 Md. Delma Louise Williams 25 Jan. 1936. 2. Ruby B. 7 Apr. 1920 Md. Cecil Curtis 5 Jul. 1939. 3. Margaret Louella B. 14 Jun. 1926 D. 12 Jun. 1938 Bertha Md. Charlie Douglas Clifton Dec. 1929. One child born of this union. 1. Claire Charlene B. 24 Aug. 1929.

Earl and Delma Henderson had two children. 1. Betty Louise B 1 May 1937 Md. Jack Putman 20 Jan, 1954. They had 4 children. A. Steven Wayne B. 12 Jan. 1955, MD. Teonna Lynn Stone 31 May 1976. They had 2 children. 1. Jason Shawn B. 6 Feb. 1982. 2. Jamie Leigh B. 20 Aug. 1987. b. Sharon Louise B. 20 Jan. 1957 Md. Michael A. Hampton 12 Nov. 1983. One child. 1. Jenna Renae B. 30 Jan 1985. c. Jack Michael B. 31 Oct. 1958 Md. De Anna L. Pippin 22 Jul. 1978. One child. 1. Amy Michelle B. 14 Apr. 1982. d. Randy Lee B. 29 Jul 1963 One child.

2. Ruby (Henderson) and Cecil Curtis had one child. a. Cecil Eugene Curtis B. 8 Jul. 1940 Md. Joyce Ann Crater 16 Aug. 1958. They had three children. 1. Cecil Eugene JR. B. 2 Sep. 1959 D. 17 Nov. 1995 Md. 2nd. Ann Darlene Smith 18 Jan. 1986. A. Kevin

Eugene B. 27 Sep 1886. B. Stormi Christine B. 6 Jan 1889. 2. Vicki Lynn B. 9 Oct. 1961 Md. Ray Carns 1980 A. Brandy Jamaica B. 10 Apr. 1981. B. Ashley Nicole B. 11 Feb. 1983. Vicki has one son. C. Jason Lee Garcia B. 6 Jun. 1991. 3. Dennis Allen B. 13 Nov. 1962. Md. Renae Shearer 28 Nov. 1981. They had six children. A. Cassandra Lee B. 15 Aug. 1982. B. Timothy James (T.J.) B. 28 Aug. 1983. C. Craig Allen B. 30 Sep. 1985. D. Nicholas Scott B. 18 Aug. 1989. E. Shelli Ann B. 17 Jul. 1991. F. Stacy Jo B. 21 Feb. 1993.

3. Claire Charlene Clifton Md. James Thomas Kynast 1945 A. Carolyn Ruth B. 15 Mar. 1946 md. William Ellis Osborn 24 Aug. 1963. One child. 1. William David Osborn B. 19 Mar. 1964. Claire 2nd mg. William W. Parker 14 Sep. 1946. They had four children. A. Joyce Diane B. 21 Jun. 1947 Md. Stanley George Miguel, 30 Mar. 1971. They had twin daughters. 1. Sofia Kathryn B. 16 Sep. 1973. 2. Chloe Theresa B. 16 Sep. 1973. B. John Anthony B. 31 Jan. 1951. C. William David B. 2 Feb. 1954. D. Kathryn Rebecca B. 21 Nov. 1955 Md. Gary Wayne Michael 28 Jun. 1988. Carolyn Ruth Kynast was adopted by Wm W. Parker Sep. 1951. *Submitted by: Eugene Curtis, 5615 W. Wilshire Dr., Phoenix, AZ 85035*
Sources: Family records and personal knowledge of each family.

Ezekiel Kennedy

Ezekiel Kennedy the fourth child of John and Elizabeth (Tuttle) (Keel) Kennedy was born 11 April 1838, Jackson Co. Alabama. Died 26 August 1904. Married Sarah Elizabeth Crews daughter of Jacob Crews and Mahala, 29 July 1862.

Ezekiel fought in the Alabama infantry during the Civil War. He enlisted the 20 of December 1862, was captured 13 November 1863, transferred to Camp Morton, Indianapolis, Ind., exchanged 15 March 1865.

After Ezekiel was released, he and Elizabeth established a home near Trenton, Jackson Co., Alabama.

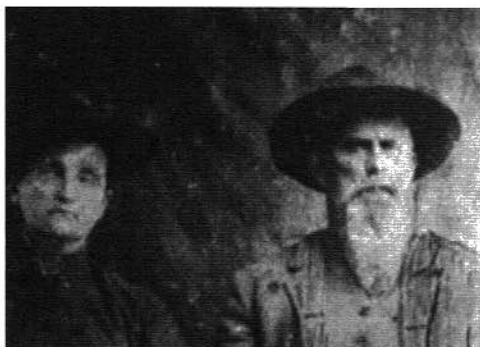
Seven children were born of the union. 1. Richard Grant (Dick) B 6 Mar. 1864 D 17 Oct. 1927 Married Millie Gemima Williams (Daughter of John W. Williams and Margaret Carolyn Carden) on 9 Aug. 1881. 2. Rebecca Jane (Sis) B 3 Apr 1886 D 8 Apr. 1912 Married William Leonard Williams 12 Aug. 1880. 3. Steven Kennedy B 27 Feb. 1867 D 28 May 1868. 4. James Joseph (Jim) B 27 Mar. 1868 D 4 Feb. 1955 Married Rebecca Ella Jones 8 Oct. 1891. 5. George Washington (Pomp) B 17 Aug. 1872 D 7 Jul 1948 Married Ella Wilbourn Oct. 1892. 6. Tom David B 22 Mar. 1875 D 16 Mar. 1940 Married Lillie Ezell 1893 (Daughter of John Monroe Ezell and Mattie Kathryn Smith). 9. Mary Elizabeth (Sister) B Sep 1877, Married David Allen Smith about 1895.

Richard Grant (Dick) Kennedy, first child of Ezekiel Kennedy and Sarah Elizabeth Crews, was born 6 Mar. 1864 in Trenton, Jackson Co., Alabama. Being the oldest boy of a family of five boys and two girls, the responsibility of being the right hand of his father was his lot, helping with the farm work, and raising livestock to feed the family. They raised hogs especially for meat for the winter and some extra head of livestock to sell or swap for other needed supplies.

Richard Grant Kennedy grew up the same as most other



Son of Ezekiel Kennedy & Sarah Elizabeth Crews. Richard Grant Kennedy Left to Right: Back Row; Bill & Bertha Kennedy, Ft. Row; Dewey - Richard Grant - Winnie & Millie Gemima (Williams) Kennedy



Ezekiel Kennedy B 11 Apr. 1838 Jackson Co. Ala. M - 29 July 1862 Sarah Elizabeth Crews B. 21 Jan. 1848 Jackson Co. Ala.

members of his community. He met Millie Gemima Williams and they were married 9 Aug. 1881 when they were both 17 years old. Millie was born 24 Mar. 1864, in Trenton, Jackson Co., Alabama. They established a home and made their living farming.

Eight of their nine children were born in Jackson Co., Alabama. 1. Walter James B 25 Jun 1882 D 9 Oct. 1938 Md. Martha Jane Allen 22 Nov. 1902. 2. Margaret Elizabeth B 23 Jun 1884 D 20 Jan 1966. Md James Benjamin Atchley 1898. 3. Lindsey Alonzo (Lon) B 15 Dec. 1886 D 3 Jun. 1961. Md Julia Brinn 17 Aug. 1911. 4. John Ezekiel B 27 Jan 1889 D 12 Jan. 1951, Md Lula Elizabeth Henderson 30 Jul 1919. 5. Mary Mahalia (Molly) B 1 Jul. 1891 D 5 Sept. 1914 Md Jim Marcus Rodgers July 1908. 6. William Joseph (Bill) B 16 Dec. 1893 D 25 Oct. 1964 (never married). 7. Bertha Lee B 24 Mar. 1896 D 15 July 1978 M John Wylie Henderson 29 Aug. 1914, Md Charlie Douglas Clifton 19 Dec. 1928. 8. Richard Dewey B 11 Mar. 1899 D 17 Apr. 1992 Md Hilda Beck; 2nd marriage to Hilda Leona Vacker 11 Jun 1935. 9. Winnie Ella B 23 Aug 1903 D 1 Jun 1985 Md Mike Gettle 22 Nov. 1925. *Submitted by: Ruby Curtis, 5615 W. Wilshire Dr., Phoenix, AZ 85035.*

Sources: Census records, military records, marriage records, Wills, land records, personal knowledge of descendants.

Kennedy Family Of Paint Rock Valley

Stephen Kennedy was born in North Carolina about 1773, the son of Wagstaff and Behethland Cannaday (the Jackson County branch of the family eventually started spelling it Kennedy). Wagstaff and Behethland Cannaday lived in Wake County, North Carolina. After living for a time in Tennessee, Stephen and his family moved to Jackson County, Alabama, where they were among the earliest settlers in Paint Rock Valley. When the first public land sales were held for Jackson County in 1830, Stephen Kennedy purchased several tracts of land. This land was near Guess Creek in Paint Rock Valley. Stephen Kennedy was married twice, but the names of his two wives are not known. Of his nine known children, it is thought that the first four were by the first wife and the last five were by the second wife.



James N. Kennedy (1833-1891) and Nancy Hollenshead Kennedy (1838-1929)

Stephen Kennedy had the following children: James Wagstaff Kennedy (born 1799, North Carolina - died August 26, 1876, Hindsville, Arkansas); Elijah Kennedy (born 1804, Virginia - died 1851, Locust Bayou, Arkansas); John Kennedy (born 1800/1810 - died March 11, 1849, Little Rock, Arkansas); Stephen Kennedy (born, November 11, 1811, Tennessee - died October 24, 1890, Francisco, Alabama); Solomon Kennedy (born January 3, 1817, Bedford County, Tennessee - died August 16, 1871, Francisco, Alabama); Ezekiel Kennedy (born March 11, 1819, Tennessee - died March 12, 1895, Flintville, Tennessee); William Kennedy; Samuel Kennedy (born March 12, 1825, Tennessee - died October 15, 1864); Mary Kennedy (born 1828); Susan Kennedy (born 1833). Stephen Kennedy died in Jackson County about 1855. Stephen had at least 57 grandchildren.

James W. Kennedy was a school teacher and farmer and moved to Arkansas. Elijah Kennedy, who served in Cawfield's Battalion in the Florida Indian War (1835-37), was a river boat captain who also moved to Arkansas.

John Kennedy married Elizabeth Tuttle in Clark County, Kentucky, on April 21, 1830. He served in Bishop's Company of the Alabama Volunteers from Jackson County during the Creek War of 1836. John Kennedy was taken off from his home in Paint Rock Valley about 1847 to the penitentiary in Little Rock, Arkansas, where he died in 1849. It has never been determined what he did that resulted in his incarceration. John's family continued to live in Paint Rock Valley. Elizabeth died on September 19, 1863. They had nine children: John W. Kennedy (January 22, 1832 - November 22, 1873); James N. Kennedy (October 13, 1833 - August 24, 1891); Sarah Jane Kennedy (born December 22, 1835); Ezekiel



Ezekiel Kennedy (1838-1904) and Sarah Crews Kennedy (1847-1902)

Army: John W., James N., Joseph, and Ezekiel. Joseph Kennedy drowned after falling into the Flint River riding home near Gurley, Alabama. He is buried in the Jenkins Cemetery, near where he drowned. Napoleon B. Kennedy was killed after pulling a knife on a brakeman at the train station in Huntsville, where he was visiting to sell some cotton. The brakeman threw a monkey wrench at Kennedy's head and killed him. James N. Kennedy moved to New Market, in Madison County, in the 1870's and is buried there in Rice Cemetery.

Solomon Kennedy served in Bishop's Company of the Alabama Volunteers during the Creek War of 1836. In April 1839, he married Syrena Catherine Smith in Trenton, Alabama. She was part Cherokee Indian. Solomon Kennedy is buried at Francisco, Alabama. Syrena Kennedy died June 26, 1913, in Bean's Creek, Tennessee, and is buried in Maxwell, Tennessee.



Joseph E. Kennedy (1839-1880) and Octavia Hollenshead Kennedy (1844-1912)

Kennedy (April 11, 1838 - August 26, 1904); Joseph E. Kennedy (December 19, 1839 - August 13, 1880); John Henry Kennedy (July 11, 1841 - January 25, 1863); and Napoleon Bonaparte Kennedy (August 5, 1844 - November 11, 1876). At least four of the sons of John Kennedy served in the Confederate

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Ezekiel Kennedy was in Byram's Company of the Alabama Volunteers from Jackson County during the Florida Indian War of 1837. He married three times: first to Eliza Carlton in Jackson County, Alabama, March 27, 1840. She died in Madison County on April 5, 1848. Secondly, he married Martha Howard on December 15, 1848, in

Madison County, Alabama. Finally, he married Mary Jane (), who died in 1895. Ezekiel was a Minister of the Gospel and is buried in the Moore Cemetery in Flintville, Tennessee.

Samuel Kennedy married Tennessee Leander Wilson in March 1856 in Jackson County. After their marriage they moved to Kansas City, Missouri. Sometime after this, they moved to Chipewa Falls, Wisconsin. In December 1858, they moved by to Paint Rock Valley. Samuel Kennedy was taken from his home and killed by bushwhackers during the Civil War for his opposition to secession. Tennessee Wilson, daughter of James and Susan Hawes Wilson, was born February 29, 1836, and died October 8, 1915. Elias J. D. Kennedy, a son of Samuel Kennedy, was a Justice of the Peace in Paint Rock Valley for many years.

Mary Kennedy, daughter of Stephen Kennedy, married William Coffee around 1850.

Stephen Kennedy, early pioneer of Paint Rock Valley, Jackson County, Alabama, leaves behind a proud legacy to descendants now numbering into the thousands. *Submitted by: Thomas E. Jaks, 1570 West Maggio Way #2059, Chandler, AZ 85224-6474.*

Sources: Information compiled from numerous Kennedy researchers across the country. Further information and documentation on this family can be found in the files of the Huntsville-Madison County Public Library Heritage Room, Huntsville, Alabama.

Joseph E. Kennedy

My Great Grandfather, Joseph Emanuel Kennedy, the fifth child of John and Elizabeth (Tuttle) (Keel) Kennedy, was born in Jackson County, Alabama on December 19, 1839. Joseph married Octavia Franklin Hollenshead in Huntsville, Madison County,

Alabama on January 9, 1861. Octavia was born in Alabama in March, 1844. Joseph and Octavia had the following children, who were all born in Jackson County, Alabama: Martha Jane "Mattie", (Submitter's Grandmother), (February 6, 1862-October 1, 1943), Twins, James R. "Jim" (February 17, 1864-November 18, 1920), and James K.P. "Polk," (February 17, 1864-December 24, 1908); Napoleon Bonaparte "Boney", (1867-December 29, 1945); Twins, Joseph H. "Joe" (February 7, 1870-February 9, 1957) and Henry A. "Alex", (February 7, 1870-December 7, 1957); Sarah M. "Minnie" (1872-1913); Charles Ross "Charlie" (February 4, 1875-February 4, 1955); and Nancy E. "Etta" (February 2, 1879-January 2, 1958).

Joseph E. Kennedy served in the Confederate Army, with Company G, 27th Regiment, Alabama Infantry.

All of Joseph and Octavia's children were married in Huntsville, Madison County, Alabama:

Mattie Kennedy married William "Bill" Pipney Junior on July 15, 1880. Their children are Walter William (1881-1913(?); James Joseph (December 17, 1882-December 4, 1933); John Wade (March 8, 1887-August 30, 1943); Julia Ann, (Submitter's Mother), (March 9, 1890-October 1, 1970); and Bessie Myra (April 5, 1893-May 13, 1972).

After the death of Bill Junior, Mattie married Demon Henard on April 2, 1896. Their only child was daughter, Ida Octavia Henard (February 18, 1897-November 1, 1971).

Jim Kennedy married Texana Lang McKinney on December 2, 1885. Their children are Mandy Ida (September 21, 1888-November 23, 1966); Walter, born in 1889; Thomas Glen, born in 1893; Mollie, born in 1896; Annie (May 16, 1898-August 21, 1996); William Howard (April 8, 1901-December 11, 1985); and Augustus "Gussie" (August 5, 1905-August 19, 1947).

Polk Kennedy married Ida A. Vann on October 18, 1888. Their children are Laymon (July 23, 1889-April 22, 1971); Etta (September 26, 1890-March 5, 1918; Marion (stillbirth?) July 1891); Minnie Alice (June 28, 1892-December 17, 1988); Bessie Malinda (August 15, 1894-March 13, 1975); Alonzo Odell (August 20, 1896-April 8, 1983); William "Willie" Octavia (April 7, 1903-1989); and Joseph Emanuel "Joe" (December 30, 1906-October 27, 1981).

Boney Kennedy married Mary L. Pylant on November 5, 1890. Their children are Mahala "Hallie" Ann (March 18, 1892-February 28, 1940); Joseph John William (October 18, 1893-April 7, 1975); Floyd Edward (October 15, 1894-May 3, 1975); Fred Stevenson (June 28, 1896-January 20, 1992); Etta Lou "Lula" (November 27, 1897-November 28, 1991); Alta Jo Eliza (December 25, 1900-June 22, 1992); and Napoleon (June, 1902-October, 1903).

Joe Kennedy married Sue V. Pylant on December 22, 1892. They had daughter, Amanda Bethena (November 17, 1895-June 2, 1980). On December 26, 1897, Joe married Lizzie Mullins. Their children are Joseph, Jr. (August 10, 1899-February 9, 1989); Muzola (August 8, 1903-March 17, 1973); Emmett; and Ruby (1919-April 16, 1947).

Alex Kennedy married Maggie E. Lanford on December 26, 1892. Their children are Shellie (July 7, 1898-June 17, 1974); John (1900-1963); and Ollie (1902-October 1, 1984).

Minnie Kennedy married George V. Tipton on September 3, 1890. Their children are Willie May (August 9, 1892-1914); Lendon (January 9, 1894-July 8, 1995); Nancy Etta (February, 1896-1904); Robert (December 7, 1896-December, 1968); Clara Mae (1901-June 16, 1982); James Frank (June 17, 1902-1950s); Sue Dora (August 17, 1905-September 17, 1981); and Ollie (September 17, 1907-January 12, 1983).

Charlie Kennedy married Lucy Lamb on June 7, 1908. Their children are: Flossie (June 17, 1910-April 2, 1955); Grace (June 16, 1912-December 2, 1971); Joseph "Bud" (June 30, 1914-January 18, 1997); Marion Butler, born March 8, 1917; Kitty Mae (August 12, 1919-September 9, 1976); Charles Enoch, born April 23, 1923; Frances Kathleen, born August 1, 1926; Almer Lee, born January 5, 1928; Anna Belle, born September 9, 1931; and Mary Alice, born July 23, 1934.

Etta Kennedy married William A. Hunt on September 27, 1903. Their children are Fannie Octavia (August 10, 1905-April 4, 1997); Georgia Ann (September 15, 1907-February 5, 1966); Etta Lou, born November 20, 1911; and Jennie Mae, born May 13, 1913, and is buried in the Rice Cemetery, New Market, Alabama.

It was Friday, August 13, 1880, and the Flint River was on a big rise. Joseph E. Kennedy had worked at the sawmill all day, and in spite of the swollen waters, he wanted to cross over on his horse and get home to his family. The horse showed up at home without Joseph, and Joseph's body was found the next morning on the



Joseph E. Kennedy and wife Octavia F. Hollenshead Kennedy

bank of the Flint River. He is buried in the Jenkins Cemetery, Madison County, Alabama, where a Confederate tombstone was just recently erected in his honor.

Octavia Kennedy died in Bell Factory, Alabama, on March 11, 1912. She is buried in the Locust Grove Cemetery, Madison County, Alabama. Submitted by: Evelyn M. Nichols (Great Granddaughter), 1704 Lee Lane, Cedaredge, CO 81413-9225.

Sources: John Kennedy Bible Record; Jackson County Alabama Census for 1840, 1850, 1860, 1870; Madison County Alabama Census for 1880, 1900, 1910, 1920; Madison County Alabama Marriage Record Books; Oral and Written Family History Confirmation from Descendants.

The John R. King Family

The birth date of our great grandfather, John R. King, was 22nd of November, 1839. Jackson County, Alabama was his birth and death place.

As a young man twenty-three years of age, this farm boy enlisted in Captain Lindsay's Company, Company K, 4th Alabama Regiment at Larkinsville, Jackson County, on the 25th of August, 1861 for a period of one year. The time period proved to be longer than just one year. Co. K was named the Larkinsville Guards.



Daughters of John King and Sallie Adkins King

While in the service of this Regiment, Grandpa King participated in the Battle at Eltham's Landing, Battle of Seven Pines and Battle of Gaines Mill.

Gaines Mill (or Farm) was where Great Grandpa received a gunshot wound in his knee on 27 June, 1862. His left leg was amputated on July 1, 1862, in the 3rd Alabama Hospital. On an Application for relief by maimed soldiers, he attested he lost his foot and leg to within five inches of the top of his knee. He further claimed he had received an artificial leg but was unable to wear it because his knee was too short. On October 11, 1862, Great Grandpa appeared on the register of the General Hospital, No. 3 Ward, Farmville, Virginia, as being admitted with "contusion of amputated leg". The 3rd Alabama Hospital was also known as the 1st Division Alabama Hospital, of Richmond, Virginia.

Grandma Kittie King Morgan had a toe nail that was misshapen. Grandpa King had stepped on it with his peg leg when she was but a small child. The nail never grew back smoothly.

John R. King and Sarah C. Adkins Hazelwood married on 8 September, 1870 in Jackson County, in a ceremony performed by James N. Maples, J.P. Their marriage is recorded in Jackson County Marriage Records, Book A, Page 901, License No. 1511.

Sarah (Sallie) Adkins, daughter of James and Susan Brown Adkins, was the widow of Wesley Hazelwood. We have record of two children being born of this union, Wesley Hazelwood, Jr. and Della O. Hazelwood.

John and Sarah became the parents of one son, Lester E. King,

born 08 July, 1871, and two daughters, Nancy Katherine (Kittie), born 23 December, 1872 and Minnie Manora, born 22 December, 1874. Lester King married Emma Peek, Kittie married Wallace Morgan and Minnie married John McClure.

Lester King and Emma remained in Jackson County, and raised a large family. Wallace and Kittie moved to Texas. Minnie, who had become a widow, moved with them.

John R. King became a widower on the 30th of June, 1876, and was left with three small children. Sarah is buried in Aspel Cemetery, and her small headstone bears the inscription "Sallie King, 1876". Her grave is in line with those of other family members.



A ceremony performed by Reuben Y. Giddens on 06 April, 1881, united Minerva Allen and John R. King in marriage. They became the parents of two children, Allen and Lucinda. Lucinda possibly married a Pierce.

From *History of Jackson County*, by John Robert Kennamer, Jr., we learn that J. R. King, received his commission as a Tax Collector of Jackson County on January 2, 1872. His brothers-in-law, F. G. Petty and C. W. Adkins, were among those who signed as his securities.

John King's burial place is in Langston Cemetery and his grave is clearly marked by a stone which gives both his birth and death dates.

John was the son of Elizabeth King, and name of his father is unknown. The siblings of John were Mordecai, Mary, Amerrica, and possibly Frank. Submitted and Prepared by: Neta Hammon Wood

The Legend Of John Clinton Kirby

John Clinton Kirby was something of a legend around Sand Mountain in the early part of this century. He was widely known for saying comical things, and his stories were often repeated around the area. He was often referred to as "Jackson County's sage" because of his ability to turn jokes around and his mastery of quick comebacks.

John was the first born son of Lewis M. Kirby and Elizabeth Black Kirby. Although he was born in DeKalb County, Alabama, his parents are listed as Jackson County residents on both the 1860 and 1870 census records.

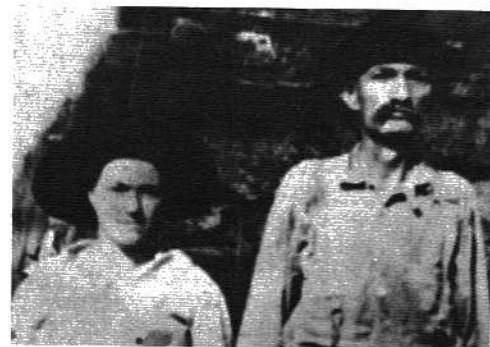
John Clinton, a farmer, was born April 19, 1872 in Henagar, Alabama. Ten children -Hubert, Elsie, Ida, Guy, Rachel, Ruby, John Buford (Bird), James Oscar (J. O.), Jenny Mae, Louis — were born to him and his wife, Olvie Norton Kirby.

The fact that John was hairlipped and couldn't talk plain made his sayings and stories even funnier. His apparent quick wit delighted everyone.

One of the better known stories about John evolved around his hunting dogs.

Dogs were an important part of his homestead as they were used to hunt rabbit, squirrel, raccoon and opossum. The animal hides were sold for extra income and they also put meat on the table.

John told about a morning when he went squirrel hunting and met up with a stranger. Being quite talkative, he boasted to the stranger that he had caught quite a large number of coons the night before and that he had killed a large number of squirrels that morning.



John Clinton Kirby, "Jackson County's Sage" is pictured above with his wife Olvie Norton Kirby.

The stranger asked, "Do you know who you're talking to? I'm the game warden." John quickly answered right back. "Do you know who you're talking to? I'm the biggest liar in Jackson County!"

John also told about a favorite squirrel tree he could always depend on when he was in need of extra meat. He said when he first discovered it he had seen a squirrel run into a hole at the bottom of the tree. Seconds later a squirrel ran out of a hole at the top. When the one at the top ran into the hole, the one at the bottom came out. John told his friends that the tree was "so full of squirrels, every time one went into a hole, it pushed one out of the other."

John's quick ability to turn a joke around was exhibited with an encounter with Judge Jess Proctor in Scottsboro. The story goes that Judge Proctor told John he was so ugly that he should "back into town with your britches down." John quickly replied, "I've tried that, Judge, but everyone I passed tipped their hats and said, 'Good morning, Judge.'"

Section residents tell of the time when John and Jim Loyd went to Tennessee seeking employment. They were completely out of money, hungry, and quite a distance from home. As they passed a country church, John (who liked to sing), asked Uncle Jim if he could preach. They went inside, presented themselves as traveling ministers, and requested permission to hold a series of gospel meetings.



John Clinton Kirby, third from the left, joins friends at a sawmill near Section Gin.

News of the services spread quickly and that night revival services began. Forty-six dollars was collected when the collection plates were passed!

This was more money than they had seen in quite some time. After buying a hot meal and still having money left to get back home, the "ministers" rethought the situation and decided they had better "get out of there" before their true identity was revealed.

John and his friends were also noted for "taking a little nip." He told of him and a friend each purchasing a gallon of whiskey in Scottsboro and walking home to Section. They met a man with a wooden leg and offered him a few drinks. This man, too, liked the taste of "white lightning" and began to follow them.

They came upon a creek which one had to cross using a foot log. The man with the wooden leg couldn't get across. Worried that the man might freeze if he stayed there overnight, the travelers built a fire and left him there in a drunken state.

As they continued home, they worried that during the night their friend might get up, walk in the dark, fall into the creek and drown. They returned and stuck the bottom of his wooden leg into the fire and burned off about 6 inches so he wouldn't be able to walk by himself.

Again they felt guilty that the man would be unable to get anywhere. They went back a second time, carried the man to John's house and the next day purchased him a new wooden leg. This escapade wasted a night, left a terrible headache and cost an additional \$14.50 for a leg.

Although John was an amusing fellow, he was also known as a man who always helped his neighbors in a time of need. His neighbors put so much faith in his sense of justice, that they often used him as an arbitrator to settle disputes. One last story is indicative of this fact.

Two neighbors were arguing about how much damage a Jenny belonging to one of them had done to the other's pea patch. They were trying to arrive at the number of bushels destroyed, when John spoke up, "Now wait a minute fellers. It's a custom in this part of the country to pick peas on the halves. So half of those peas belong to the old jenny."

John died at an early age of 53 leaving a widow and 10 children ranging in ages from 24 to 3. None of the children are surviving today. Eight are buried in Section United Methodist Cemetery along with their mother. John and the remaining two children are buried in the Old Sardis Cemetery.

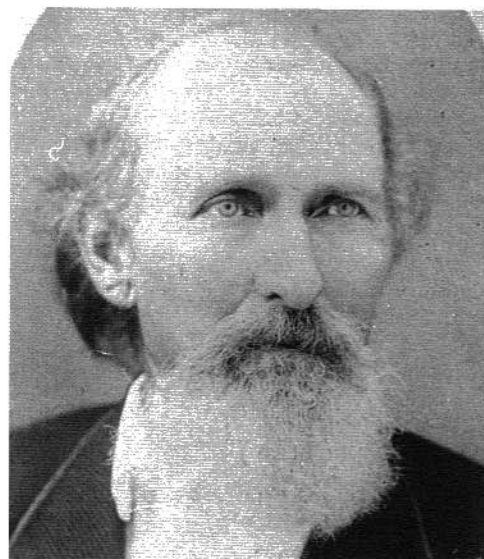
Sources: 1. A similar article appeared in the *Daily Sentinel* Scottsboro, Alabama on February 18, 1981. 2. Other information supplied by granddaughters: Brenda Kirby Brown; 7490 County Road 38, Section, AL 35771 and Helen Kirby Werner; 3608 North Meridian Road, Tallahassee, FL 32312.

The Lineage Of Samuel H. Kirk

Pioneer

Samuel H. Kirk (1780-1854) was among the early Scots-Irish pioneers who came to what is now Jackson County before it was, or before Alabama became a state. According to census and tombstone records, he was born in Maryland, 15 March 1780. He and his first wife (unknown) were the parents of five children, all born in Tennessee: Garret (1801-1867) (see below); Joseph (1803-) married Polly Methvin, moving to Arkansas; John (1804-1883) married Polly Lamb, moving to Missouri; Mary (Polly) (1812-1900) married Samuel Beene, a Baptist minister in neighboring Marion County, Tenn., often preaching in Jackson County; Frances (Fanny) (b. 1813) married Obediah Wynne, migrating to Missouri and Texas.

On 27 February 1819, the Cherokees gave up their land north and west of the Tennessee River. Early settlers came into this area and found a homestead. Samuel Kirk found his in the Dry Creek branch of the Paint Rock River. His son, Joseph had land nearby. The site was near the upper end of the cove with spring water from a cave meandering near his old home site. The new settlers found the mountainous areas of Alabama a good place to live. In those early days, game was plentiful for food, as was timber for building their homes. The flat land of the valleys was fertile for growing their corn and other crops. In places, good drinking water flowed right out of the mountain. The Cherokees were a friendlier tribe than most, and many intermarried.



William Irison Kirk (1831-1912)

Garret Kirk (1801-1867) married Mary Ann McCrary raising their family in the Big Coon Valley of northern Jackson County. Mary Ann was the daughter of Samuel McCrary and Bettie Allen (Bettie - daughter of Annanias Allen, Revolutionary War soldier). Samuel McCrary was the son of Joseph McCrary and Anna Powell. Garret Kirk and Mary Ann McCrary had two boys and one girl. Family tradition records their daughter, Mary Jane (Alisey) married a Young, moving to Missouri. The two boys remained in Jackson County and raised families. Gilbert Lee (Burt) Kirk married Mahulda Holder, raising their family in the Stevenson area, and leaving many descendants in Jackson County. Garret Kirk and Mary Ann were divorced, she marrying James Champion of Franklin County, Tenn. with a resulting second family. They lived in the Little Coon Valley of northern Jackson County. Garret Kirk married second, Cynthia Choat, migrating to Missouri, producing a second family.

Samuel H. Kirk had a second marriage, his first wife dying after Frances' birth. He married Sarah Methvin, a sister of the above Polly Methvin. There was a large family by this marriage. Samuel died in 1854 and is buried on his old home place in western Jackson County. His grave is marked with a hand-carved limestone marker, said to be one of the oldest marked graves in the county.

William Irison Kirk (1831-1912) was the first son of Garret Kirk and Mary Ann McCrary. He grew up in the beautiful mountainous areas of Marion County, Tenn. and Jackson County. He chose Jackson County to raise his family. He was a farmer and blacksmith and by family tradition, shod horses for the cavalry during the Civil War. He married Frances Tucker (1833-1915) from the Monteagle, Tenn. area. In 1860, the family was living in the Big Coon Valley. Aunt Myrtle Kirk (1893-1982) writes that Grandmother Kirk was a good old-fashioned cook, made biscuits,



Wm. I. Kirk Family Reunion about 1907

sausage, chicken and dumplings, vegetables, pound cakes and kept ginger cookies in the pantry for the grandkids. They had a coffee mill on the wall to grind beans for fresh coffee. She and Wm. I. Kirk raised a family of nine boys and two girls, all of them raising families and leaving many descendants in Jackson Co. Alabama, Arkansas, Texas and Oklahoma.

Their children were Willis Kirk (1853-1904), married Mary Corrick moving to Knoxville, Tenn.; William Patrick Kirk (1855-1918), married Samantha Yarborough, remained in Jackson County. One local descendant is Annie Hoge who married Fred Shelton; Mary Jane (1858-1957) married Will B. Wood; Garrett Alexander Kirk (1860-1948) married Mattie Donathan, moving to Arkansas; Martha Emeline (1861-1948) married Benton (Newt) Hall, had a family in Jackson County; James T. Kirk (1863-1950) married Tommie Stephens, moving to Floyd County, Texas, establishing 'Kirk and Sons Hardware' in Floydada; Henry Clay Kirk (1866-1933) married Evalina Wheeler, moving to Oklahoma; Two Kirk brothers married Stephens sisters as George Kirk (1868-1945) married Georgia Ann Stephens, the sister of Tommie Stephens, wife of James T. Kirk. The George Kirk family moved to Red River County, Texas in 1901, then on to Grayson County. Wiley Kirk (1870-1956) married Barbara Alice Newman in Arkansas, settling in Oklahoma; David A. Kirk (1872-1961) married Mattie King, also moving to Oklahoma; Frank Kirk (1873-1950) married Susie King, moving to Red River County, Texas, married second, Cora Yancey.

Meanwhile back in Jackson County, our ancestor, Wm. I. Kirk, had some notable accomplishments. He was a Justice of the Peace in the Stevenson community in 1856, was appointed sheriff of Jackson County by the state governor, serving from 1869-1871. (The governor was also appointed. It was several years after the Civil War before elections were held again.) W. I. Kirk was called 'Marshall Kirk' in some post Civil War documentation. About 1890, he was Justice of the Peace of Scottsboro and later mayor of Scottsboro. He was also superintendent of the county poor farm at the foot of July Mountain. According to my father, Wm. Archie Kirk (1901-1986), his grandfather, Wm. I. Kirk spoke with a Scottish brogue. He was at the least, the fourth generation from the "old country" but if one considers they did very little traveling and had no communications as we do today, they had little opportunity to lose their native accent. William Irison Kirk was a Mason. He and his wife, Frances belonged to the Church of Christ and are buried in the lovely Cedar Hill Cemetery in Scottsboro. Sources: Bible, family, census, deeds. *Submitted by: Don G. Kirk, 8340 Cabrera, Dallas TX 75228*

The Kirkpatrick Family

Two Kirkpatrick brothers, Edward and Daniel, moved from Roane County, Tennessee, into North Alabama when the area was still part of Mississippi Territory. They settled in Paint Rock Valley in Jackson County. Both bought land there when it was first offered for sale by the U. S. Government under the Pre-emptive Act of 1830, which allowed individuals who had been living on the land for at least one year and cultivating it to purchase up to 160 acres.

The present highway through this valley does not follow the old road, which ran at the foot of the mountains, and it was there most of these early settlers built their homes. The coves are still named after these early settlers and Kirk Cove (shortened through the

years from Kirkpatrick) is where Daniel had his homestead, and where Kirkpatrick Cemetery is located. Edward's land was across the present road from Daniel.

Edward and Daniel both had large families, Edward nine children; Daniel eleven. They were the progenitors of all the Kirkpatrick families in early Jackson County records.

Edward and Daniel were sons of Robert Kirkpatrick who married Elizabeth Guiering 4 August 1768 in Morris County, New Jersey. Shortly after their marriage Robert and Elizabeth moved with the Guiering family to North Carolina; Edward and Daniel were born there. This family then moved to Roane County, Tennessee, where Robert died in 1803; Elizabeth in 1817. Both Edward and Daniel are mentioned in settlement of Robert's estate.

Edward, born ca 1783, married Mary Jones 18 October 1808 in Roane County and shortly thereafter moved to Madison County, Mississippi Territory. His name was on the tax lists there for the years 1810 through 1815. Edward purchased land in Paint Rock Valley in 1830. He died at his home in 1858; Mary between 1860 - 1870. Children: Lucinda, married Claiborn B. Hill; Isaac, married Christine Berry; Rebecca, married James Geron Kirkpatrick; Elizabeth, married Archibald S. Mitchell; Lydia, never married; Mahalia, married John B. Kennamer; Mariah, married Hardy Keel, John Wilson; Mary Ann, married William F. Cox, L. V. Mitchell; Matilda Jane, married Vinson Kennamer, Starnes Wilburn.

Daniel, born 1784, married Margaret Shadden in Roane County 2 March 1810. They moved to North Alabama about 1817, purchased land in Paint Rock Valley in 1830. Daniel died at his home in 1877 at 93 years of age, Margaret several years previously. Both are buried at Kirkpatrick Cemetery in Kirkpatrick Cove. Children: Martin, married Lucinda Campbell, Mary Redmon; Daughter, name unknown, married _____ Gilliland; Sophronia, married Swafford; Drucilla, married John Archey, Edward J., married Nancy Derrick; Joseph, married Nancy Berry, Mary Denton; Aisley, married Michael Wilson; Robert, married Elizabeth Archey; Susannah, married James Archey; Daniel, Jr., married Mary Keel; Sarah, married _____ Berry, Robert Childress.

Edward J., son of Daniel, married Nancy Derrick 7 March 1847. Nancy was born 1827, daughter of Adam Derrick who married Mary Blythe. Proof of Adam's father has not been located; however, all circumstantial evidence points to Jacob Derrick, son of Simon Derrick, the immigrant, who married Catherine Stapleton.

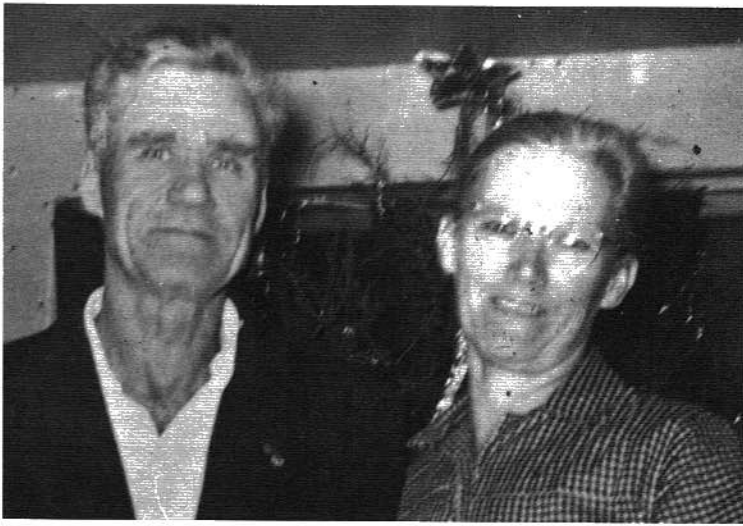
Edward J. volunteered for service in the Civil War 28 August 1863, Company A, First Alabama Vidette Calvary Division, (Union Forces). He was captured by the enemy 26 September 1863 at Hunt's Mill, Alabama; died 15 October 1863. Tradition handed down in the family is that word was received by Nancy that Edward was dying; that she took his race horse and swam Tennessee River with him to bring Edward home to die. His military records do state, "died while a prisoner of war." However, it is well known that both sides of this conflict released dying prisoners, and Edward is buried in the family cemetery just south of Trenton. Edward and Nancy were the parents of eight children: Mary Elizabeth, married James Lafayette Jones; Margaret J., married William A. Wilburn; Sarah C., married Francis Marion Jones; Nancy Angeline, never married; Martha Ann, married Leroy Ellison Smith; James W., died at five years; Diana Florence, married Francis Marion Derrick; Edward J. Jr., died at two years.

Martha Ann Kirkpatrick, born 4 October 1856, married Leroy Ellison Smith. He was born 21 April 1851, the son of Jacob Leroy Smith and Margaret Wilburn. Leroy Ellison died 27 February 1900; Martha Ann 26 January 1944; both buried Smith Cemetery. Children: James Washington, born 7 August 1878; Leroy Jefferson, born 10 June 1880; Joseph Henry, born 31 March 1885; Arthur McDonald, born 3 April 1894. *Submitted by: Eva Smith Burger, 2708 Day Road, Huntsville, AL 35801.*

Knight - Whitley

William Mancel Knight and wife, Margaret Louiser Idora Spears Knight, joined her brothers, Elias, Floyd, and Lewis Spears who had moved from Clay County to Dutton in Jackson County about 1915. Monroe Knight, eldest son of Mancel and Margaret Knight was drafted into the Army about 1917 at age 23.

In France during the Battle of Argonne Forest, Monroe Knight was one of one-hundred in his company. Another company was supposed to have come and relieved them, but were unaware of their need. Due to lack of communication, they didn't know that



Monroe Moses and Olga Alberta Whitley Knight

only twelve of the one-hundred men were still alive. On October 29, 1918, Monroe was trying to help one of the injured get to safety when he was shot three times. One shot grazed his neck, another broke the ring on his finger, and the last went through his knee. Monroe then crawled one mile or more over the hill to the medic station to contact the other company.

When Monroe arrived at the station he received first aid, but was unable to get in a hospital for five days. Thirteen days after he was injured November 11, 1918, World War I ended. Monroe's condition didn't look good and at times it looked as if he might die. He stayed in the hospital for twenty-three months. During this time he was shipped from France to Georgia and later to Florida. Monroe Knight survived. Although he couldn't bend his knee at all due to the shattered knee cap. He learned to live with the handicap.

John Irwin Whitley (1879 - 1943) and Frances Ellen Walker (1878 - 1918) married at Fort Payne, then moved to Cumberland Mountain. Frances died during the flu epidemic. The eldest of their seven children, Olga Alberta at age 15 learned from a neighbor how to make clothes. She sewed, took care of the household, and helped work in the fields for 3 years. Olga married Monroe Moses Knight in 1921. Monroe was a shoe and harness maker (cobbler). They had 11 children, 8 of whom still live in Jackson County. The children are: John Mancel Knight; Martha Ellene Castle; Ola Ruth Smith; Leonard Allen Knight; William Monroe Knight; Robert Bennett Knight; Mary Frances Anderson; Dora Lee Beach; Betty Don Isom; Ella Marie Bowman; and Reba Joyce Walker.

On November 9th, 1957, 39 years after his injury at Argonne Forest, Monroe and his son-in-law were killed in a car accident.

Olga was in great demand as a seamstress. She made her own patterns and sewed for all her family as well as others. She made all her quilts and in later years, piecing quilts and quilting became a full time hobby. She quilted almost to the point of her death July 26, 1988 at age 85.

Monroe and Olga Knight's descendants number in excess of 138, a large number of whom reside in Jackson County. *Submitted by: Betty K. Isom, 1703 County Road 257, Bryant, AL 35958.*

The Earnest Lee Knox Family of Stevenson

The Knox family first came to this area in 1912 from Chattanooga, TN. E. L. Knox bought a sizable farm on the banks of the Tennessee River in Jackson County in 1911 which had been the John Caulfield property since the early 1800's. He and his wife, Leanah Cox are buried there in the old "Caulfield Cemetery" both having died in 1890's.

Mr. Knox and his brother, Henry Knox, and with the help of his own three sons: William, Luckey and Earnest Lee Jr. began moving livestock, farming tools on wagons over rough roads crossing the river by ferry and up steep mountain trails to Stevenson. The official move for the rest of the family came in 1914, bringing Mrs. Knox and the three daughters: Ruth, Henrietta and Elizabeth, who entered into school and the social life of small town Stevenson with relish.

They made this a home of love and gracious living. Later all six children married into local families.

Earnest Knox descended from an interesting line. The first

Knox to enter the United States was John Knox and his wife Jean Gracy who came from Scotland to America in 1740 to NC and on to Rowan County, NC. Their son, Samuel Knox, married Mary Luckie, and he was a Revolutionary soldier. A son of this marriage born in 1775 names James Knox married a "Cowan" and their son David Luckie Knox was born 1801 in Jackson County, GA. He married Elizabeth Montgomery, a daughter of Col. Hugh Montgomery, the Indian Agent for the Cherokee Purchase when Indians were taken west. This family moved to McMinn County, TN in 1830 settling on the Hiawasse River. They had 14 children and their seventh son, William, born 1828, married Tennessee Smith and they were parents of the afore mentioned Earnest Lee Knox, born 1865. He married Josephine Isabelle Wheeler. They lived in Charleston as a young couple later moving to Chattanooga about 1905. He was in a dry goods store called Knox, Thomas, Spears.

Six children of Earnest Lee and Isabelle Wheeler Knox:

1. William married Pearl Woodall: 1. William II m. Louise Gonce; 2. Josephine m. A. Brance Stuart.

2. Allen Luckey Knox married Susie Rudder: 1. Ernest Rudder m. Pauline Danner; 2. Allen Luckey Knox II m. Sybil Baxter, 1. Anita m. Barry Berry, 1. Amanda; 2. Rebecca; 2. Daniel Knox m. Sheila _____, 1. Danielle, 2. Leslie, 3. Ben Knox m. Dawn _____, 1. Allen; 3. Jack Foster Knox (killed in action WWII); 4. Neil Carmack Knox m. Sally Rust: 1. Carmack, 2. Rusty.

3. Earnest Lee Knox II m. Kate Willis, no children.

4. Ruth Knox m. Fulmer Armstrong Children are: 1. Betty Ruth Armstrong m. Eugene Henninger: 1. Frances Jennine m. Kenneth Stewart, 1. Robert, 2. Seth; 2. Gaythur Armstrong m. James Corbin, 1. Amanda Elizabeth; 3. Sally Ruth m. Barry Blackwell, 1. Jacob, 2. Joshua, 3. Zackery; 4. Charlotte Amanda m. (1) Tracy Prentice, 1. Kathryn Prentice, 2. Margaret Prentice; Charlotte m. (2) Thomas Ryan, 1. Audrey Ryan, Ashley Ryan, Alicia Ryan, Tommy Ryan.

5. Henrietta Knox m. Edward Timberlake: 1. Margaret m. Hubert Burleston; 2. Vivian m. Jim Mock.

6. Elizabeth Knox m. William T. Nichols: 1. Martha Lee, 2. Betty Jo, 3. Nancy.

Two of Mr. & Mrs. E. L. Knox's children died young and are buried in Forest Hill Cemetery in Chattanooga, TN.

The children of Allen Luckey and Susie R. Knox were educated in Stevenson schools and two have entered the field of education namely: Dr. E. Rudder Knox who was first president of Northeast Alabama State Community College and Allen Luckey Knox who worked in Alabama State Education Department until his recent retirement. His two sons Dr. Dan and Dr. Ben Knox are both professors at NASCC now.

The Knox family has been active in the local Cumberland Presbyterian Church — many have been elders in the church and Dr. E. Rudder Knox is a minister having pastored many area C. P. Churches.

The Stevenson branch of the Knox family has always been a close-knit, loving family who have hosted many Knox family reunions through the years and hosted many friends in their home. They have been active in their community affairs — proving that the "faith of our fathers, living still" is running in the veins of these Presbyterian descendants today. *Submitted by: Betty Ruth Armstrong Henninger.*

Naomi Kuykendall

Naomi Ruby, 6/28/1954, married 5/6/1977, to Fred Kuykendall, 4/7/1952, who is the brother to Jimmy, husband of Naomi's sister Marie. Naomi is a wonderful wife and mother. She inherited her pretty, dark, curly, hair and dark brown, eyes from her Daddy. Awyer loved all his children the same, but was so proud of a little daughter who looked so much like him. Ray and Marie were also happy to have a baby sister to play with. Fred is also a very talented musician and loves to sing. Naomi worked for many years before she became a mother. Naomi is the middle child in the family, but has the youngest grandchild, Brooke, the joy of their lives.

April Leann, 8/14/1977, a pretty young lady who brought Naomi and Fred lots of happiness. She would be the first to say they are wonderful parents.

Brooke Lee, 4/14/1994, the baby of the family is loved and enjoyed by all. She is a sweet and smart little girl who has been singing beautifully since she could talk. She often sings alone in church. Like her Daddy she has a talent for and love of music.

Brooke's sparkling blue eyes and magnetic smile attract people of all ages.

Carol Ruth, 2/1/1956, married, 6/8/1974, to Alvin Thurmond, 2/22/1954. Carol has worked most of her married life. Alvin is an ordained deacon at Free Hill Church where he and Carol are both actively involved. Nicholas, 6/13/1980, a sports oriented young man with a big smile like his Dad, and lots of friends.

Nancy Ann, 1/4/1959, married, 5/17/1991, to Hugh Boyd Whisenant, Jr., 9/8/1945. Nancy also married into the Roberts' family. Hugh Boyd's mother was a Robert's before marriage, and a cousin to Sam, B.H., and Olen Roberts. Nancy has both worked and taken care of her family. Hugh is a builder and built them a beautiful house. He has also volunteered his services to Pisgah Civitan Park and built a very nice building for public use. When the building was burned by arson he rebuilt it, again volunteering free labor. Nancy also volunteered many hours helping him. They have a son: Jeremy, 3/13/1979.

Ira Allen, 12/13/1960, married 3/19/1982, to Annette, 11/16/1963. Ira and Annette both work and are involved in church. Ira, like his Dad, is a preacher. Megan, 10/11/1989 is a beautiful and sweet little girl. She celebrates her birthday on the same date as her great grandfather, Hugh. Submitted by: Pam Brock, Pisgah, AL Jackson County

Lands Orville And Lee Lands

Children, Grandchildren, And Great-Grandchildren

Orville Green Lands and Ada Lee Stewart were married on June 12, 1942, by John B. Tally in his home, then located on Willow Street in Scottsboro.

Orville was born July 9, 1921, near Section in Jackson County, Alabama to Elisha and Ada Lee Davis Lands. He attended schools in Langston, Fairfield and House of Happiness School operated by the Episcopal Church located in Sauty Bottom in Jackson County.

Lee was born December 4, 1921, in Jackson County near the Huntland, Tennessee line to Charles and Ada Lee Shavers Stewart. She attended schools in Letcher and House of Happiness School.

Orville had one younger sister, Vima. Their mother

died when they were very young. Their father remarried and had four more children. He died in the mid 70's.

Lee had an older sister, Bodie. Their mother died when Lee was only 28 days old. Their father remarried and had seven more children. He died in the mid 60's.

Three daughters were born to Orville and Lee. Loretta on April 22, 1943, Sharon on February 22, 1945, and Cecile on February 6, 1947.

Loretta has one son, Anthony McLaughlin, from her first marriage. She remarried a second time to Spencer Eugene Dudley. She has two grandchildren, Alison and Robert McLaughlin.

Sharon is married to James David Campbell. They have one daughter, Kimberly Lee Campbell.

Cecile has one son, Christopher Poe, from her first marriage. She remarried a second time to J.W. Miller. They have two sons, Patrick and Slate Miller. They also have two granddaughters, Brooke and Alyssa Miller.

All the family lives in Scottsboro with exception of Chris Poe, who resides in Wilmington, N.C.

Orville, Lee, and their girls lived in the Long Hollow Community for many years, where they purchased several acres and a home when the girls were very young. A new home was built in the early 60's.

Lee died on April 29, 1994. Her grave is located in the family's plot in the Cedar Hill Cemetery in Scottsboro. Orville still lives in their home on Long Hollow Road in Scottsboro. Submitted by: Loretta Lands Dudley, 103 Cecil Street, Scottsboro, AL 35768.



Pictured from left to right: Sharon, Lee, Loretta, Orville, and Cecile Lands

Lasater - Farrow - Robertson

When we moved to Cumberland Mountain in the Pleasant Groves Community in 1979, little did I know that, as the crow flies, we were moving very close to where several of my direct ancestors and other kin had lived. When I started dabbling in genealogy this began to unfold. The ones I want to focus on are the Robertsons. Eliza Jane Jones Robertson was my 3rd great grandmother. She was born May 12, 1801 in VA., to Oakley Jones and Susannah Hamilton Jones. When she was about 15, she married Dr. John Grant in Nashville, Tenn. Apparently, he died in the early 1820s and she married Eldridge Robertson about 1828. With Dr. Grant she had two sons who were doctors. Dr. Hilkieh Grant lived in Franklin Co., TN, and Dr. Felix Grant was a well-known doctor in Paint Rock Valley.



Marion & Ida Robertson Farrow family

Eliza and Eldridge Robertson had two sons, Marcellus William, born about 1830 in Nashville and James Oakley, born Aug. 13, 1831 in Nashville. James Oakley married, first, Susan Jarratt from Mississippi. Second, he married Malissa Shook. They raised their families in Paint Rock Valley, where James Oakley was a well-respected physician and, also, a Baptist minister. He died July 18, 1896. Eliza lived in the valley at times with her sons, as Eldridge had died in 1845. Eliza died in 1870 in Giles Co., TN. Of all the ancestors I've found, she has about become my favorite. I've found lots of similarities between her and myself. For one, she ran a school. So did I.

Marcellus married Nancy Reynolds, May 29, 1850, Marshall Co., MS where they raised their family. They were my great, great grandparents. Marcellus was a teacher, as was Nancy. Before Marcellus died in 1886, he had made some bad business deals which left the family in financial need after he died. Through the generosity of his half-brother, Dr. Felix Grant, his family came to live at Estil Fork. Marcellus and Nancy had four daughters who lived to be grown - Ida, Fannie, Rose, and Ruth. Rose died after they came to Alabama from typhoid fever. Fannie married Bob McAnally and Ruth married Will Henshaw. They were the ancestors of the Scottsboro Henshaws. Ida, the oldest daughter, married Francis Marion Farrow, Dec. 1869, in MS. They were my great grandparents and came with Nancy and children when they came to Alabama.

The Farrow's had nine children. Their daughter, Nannie Marcela, was my grandmother. She was born Nov., 1881, died Feb., 1969. She was about seven when she came to Alabama. Oh, if only I had been interested in these things before she died. She could have told me so much. She and Tom Brooks were married Dec., 1909. My father was one of their sons. My Mother was Beatrice Jones.

I, Mildred Telette, was born June 9, 1931 at New Market, AL. We moved to Walnut Grove before I started to school. I went to school there until just after school started when I was in the sixth grade. Then we moved to Huntsville where I attended the city

schools until transferring to Athens Bible School for the 11th and 12th grades, graduating in 1950.

January 12, 1951, Robert Earl Lasater and I were married. Our children are Steven Earl, born Oct. 27, 1951, married Vickey Hix. They have two daughters, Lori Lee, born Nov. 6, 1976, and Lesley Lynn, born Feb. 1, 1980. Lori and Lesley live in Rutherford County, TN. Steve and Vickey were divorced and he married Kathy Cole June 4, 1988. Our second son was Robert Keith, born October 22, 1957. Keith and Lynne Perryman were married May 26, 1979. They have one daughter, Mary Paige, born March 14, 1984 on her mother's birthday. Keith had a rare, devastating disease called Wegener's granulomatosis, and died August 10, 1995. He is buried in Maple Hill Cemetery in Huntsville.

Steve and Keith graduated from Madison Academy. Keith was a Huntsville Police officer.

We have two adopted daughters. Rose Marie, born November 30, 1966 in California, married Kevin Lee Ricroft Sept. 14, 1991. They have one son, Dalton Lee, born April 26, 1993. Our other daughter is Barbara E'Lane, born January 5, 1968 in California. She and Jeffery Toney were married February 23, 1990. They have a daughter, Meghan Lynne, born March 15, 1996. Jeff has three children - April, Michelle, and Clint.

We are members of the Church of Christ. Robert is retired from the Huntsville Fire Dept.

Now, let's get back to the Robertsons. Eldridge B. Robertson was a brother to Sterling Clack Robertson who settled Robertson's Colony in Texas. Eldridge helped with the financial part of it. His father was Elijah Robertson, brother of James Robertson founder of Nashville and sometimes called the Father of Tennessee. Elijah Robertson married Sarah Maclin about 1782. She was the daughter of William Maclin and Sarah Clack Maclin. Sarah Clack Maclin was the daughter of James Clack, Jr. and Mary Sterling Clack. This James Clack was the son of James Clack, Sr., who was my 7th great grandfather. He was a young Anglican minister who came from England to Virginia in 1678. He was minister of Ware Parish Church in Gloucester County from 1679 to his death in 1723. His tomb is still standing in the church cemetery, and was a thrill for me to see in 1993. This church building and cemetery are surrounded by a beautiful, very old brick wall, which has ferns growing on the sides and top. After almost 300 hundred years the building is still in use. Oh, if only that wall could talk, it could tell many interesting things such as the parentage of James Clack's wife. We know she was Jane. Much evidence suggests that she was the daughter of Robert Bolling and Jane Rolfe Bolling. If so, she was a great granddaughter of Pocahontas. There is, probably, no way this can ever be proven, but many things suggest that it is true. Many children, through the years, have been named names such as Bolling, Powhatan, Pocahontas, etc. Besides that, Sarah Clack Maclin said she was a descendant of Pocahontas, and she should have known. All of this, makes me think that, indeed, Pocahontas was my 10th great grandmother. Perhaps, one day, DNA can prove it. See Baker - Brooks - Coffey - Lasater *Submitted by: Mildred Brooks Lasater, 1007 Pleasant Grove Road, Woodville, AL 35776.*

Sources: Family information; Marshall Co., MS marriage records; *Papers Concerning Robertson's Colony In Texas*, Gloucester Co., VA information.

Lasater - Mooneyham

My name is Steven Earl Lasater, son of Robert and Mildred. I'm going to give you a glimpse of the Lasaters and a hint of the Mooneyhams.

Mom and Dad married January 12, 1951, Huntsville, Alabama. Shortly after that, my Dad was drafted into the Army during the Korean Conflict. Fortunately, he served all his overseas duty in Germany. However, there was a baby on the way when he left, so Dad and I got acquainted when he returned and I was sixteen months old. Mom said that when I was little I wanted a 'big ol' chuck with cars on'. I don't have a big truck with cars on, but I do own and drive an eighteen-wheeler. My wife, Kathy, and I live in Morgan County, Alabama.

My Dad's parents were Charles Edward Lasater and Jessie May Mooneyham Lasater. Her parents came from White and Van Buren Counties of Tennessee. My grandmother, Jessie May, died from a malignant brain tumor at age 49, (Born September 26, 1910, died November 28, 1959). All my grandparents on Dad's side are buried at State Line Cemetery in Madison County.

Jessie May's parents were Thomas Jefferson Mooneyham and Daisy Galloway Mooneyham. They settled around Madison



Robert, Mildred, Steven & Keith Lasater
Photo made about 1962

Lasater and, supposedly, a man by the name of Johnson. He died and William Wesley was raised, partly, by an uncle and used the Lasater name. Therefore, we almost weren't Lasaters. Some surnames in this lineage are Price, Evans, Copeland, others.

An unfortunate accident occurred about 1910. William Wesley was outside fooling with his shotgun. He fired just as his mother stepped around the corner of the house. The bullet struck and killed her.

Eliza's parents were William F. Lasater and Mary Ann Evans of Franklin County, Tennessee. William F.'s father was Daniel Lasater, who was an itinerant preacher. Daniel and family lived in Jackson County, Alabama in 1880, but by 1881 had moved to Lincoln County, Tennessee. Mom has copies of some old letters he wrote telling about the mountains. He wrote, "We're better satisfied here than in the mountains." Daniel died April 26, 1883 and is buried in Elliott Cemetery in Giles County, Tennessee.

Daniel's father was Hezekiah Lasater, Jr. who went to Missouri. His mother was Clarissa Morrelly. Hezekiah, Jr.'s parents were Hezekiah, Sr. and Elizabeth Copeland. They came to Franklin County, Tennessee from Chatham County, North Carolina. Hezekiah, Sr. died about 1844.

My brother, Keith, and I had daughters, so our family has no one to carry on the family name.

Several of our ancestors were part Indian. We were told that Eliza was full-blooded, but believe she was 1/4 Cherokee Indian. See Baker - Brooks - Coffey - Lasater. *Submitted by: Steven Earl Lasater, 94 Leslie-Willis Road, Somerville, AL 35670.*
Sources: Family information; old letters.

John Law

My great-great-grandfather, John Law came from Virginia to North Alabama in the early 1800's. He married Delinda Light in Madison Co Al on Feb 14, 1822. John was in Jackson Co, Al by Oct 28, 1857, when he made application for a license to sell "spiritous liquor". Legend tells that because he was a Justice of Peace, he was entrusted with a sum of money donated to the Confederate cause. He was shot and killed while standing on his front porch by Yankee sympathizers, who were searching for the money. It was said he had buried the money and it was never found. John had married 2nd Nancy Cunningham on March 9, 1864. He died Oct 16, 1864.

John's children:

James R. whose wife was Caroline.

Polly or Mary Ann, born Dec 16, 1833, married John Light on Oct 7, 1863, died in Tarrant Co, Texas March 25, 1885.

Isom W, born March 1837, married Amanda M. Wood April 5, 1863

Sally, a twin to Isom, never married, born March 1837.

Tabitha Jane, born Aug 14, 1839, died Nov 3, 1892 in Tarrant Co Tx, married Enoch Finney on Jan 11, 1865.

Parmetta married William Wade Dec 20 1854

William married Elizabeth, children: Mary Jane, John and Perlina

Lemuel married Julia Wood, daughter of Thomas J Wood and Maria Rutherford. Maria was a descendant of Gen Griffith Rutherford, Revolutionary soldier. They were natives of Laurens Co, South Carolina. Legend says that Lemuel was also shot and killed c1863 by Yankee sympathizers on Backbone Ridge near Goosepond. He was slipping home to see his little family. He was buried there. Julia married 2nd, John K Childress Sept 29, 1881.

Joseph married Theodora.

John M married Lucy Jane Tipton, daughter of William Tipton.

Lemuel's boys were:

George, born December 30, 1857 died, July 1, 1929 in Petty, Tx, married Martha Ann Porter on Dec 18, 1878 in Scottsboro, Al.

Benjamin Franklin, born Feb 24, 1859, married Jane Cavener Oct 10, 1883 in Cook Co., Tx, died Oct 4, 1934 in Balko, Ok.

Thomas Douglas, born about 1860, never married, died Dec 24, 1924.

Samuel Virgil, born Sept 22, 1861, married Mary Tucker in Giles Co, Tn on Jan 16, 1890. He died Sept 26, 1928.

Isom Forrest, born Aug 20, 1862, married Ida Hackney, daughter of Lucy Jane Baker and James Monroe Hackney. Isom died Oct 15, 1922 and Ida died Jan 8, 1965. They married Sept 10, 1890. Ida born Aug 2, 1864.

Isom and Ida's children were:

Marvin Lemuel, born July 31, 1891, married Sweetie Madeline Miller on May 15, 1914, after her death married Dora B. Loden. Marvin and Sweetie had 1 daughter, Ida Madeline, born Feb 9, 1915. She married Theodore Lemons Jan 11, 1934, their children, Lois Jean, Theodore Jr., (Pete), Betty Jo, Boyd and Jeanette

Carl Leslie, Bible record says born Feb 22, 1893, grave marker says Feb. 28, 1894, Married Mary Maebell Miller, Feb 5, 1922, he died Jan 17, 1972. His children: Albert Leslie born Jan 9, 1923, married Lillian Wheeler Jan 29, 1944. children; Billy and Carol. Beryl, born April 18, 1924, married Raymond Little Aug 8, 1942, one son, Danny. Nina Lee, born Aug 22, 1932 married Ray Perry July 10, 1953 Children; Linda Kay and Michael Kirk.

Julia Elmira born Dec 31, 1895, married Tom Cordell on July 3, 1914, died July 17, 1987, married 2nd Walter Allen on Nov 5, 1938 Children by Tom: Isom Cleveland (Jay) born Oct 26, 1915, died March 13, 1981, married Atha Kennamer, Children: Carol & Jimmy John Marvin, born Sept 24, 1917, married Martha Nichols March 22, 1942, died Aug 18, 1976, Children: Laura, Linda & John Marvin, Jr. Ida Ruth, born Feb 11, 1921, married Earl Gentry Dec 10, 1938, died Jan 7, 1977, a few minutes older than her twin, Ruby, children: Glenice, born Oct 22, 1939, married Billy Bonds, children: Sherry & Karen. James Earl, born Aug 25, 1941, married Rose Young, son Terry, Divorced, married 2nd Faye

Hard. Elizabeth, born July 22, 1943, married Lyndall Mullinax, divorced, children: Keith, Randy & Angela. Jimmy Allen, born Aug 22, 1948, married Margaret Benefield, divorced, daughter, Deanne, married 2nd Vickie Holloway. Billy Wayne, born April 8, 1950, married Linda Walls, children: Brandon, Brian & Bridgette. Sarah, born June 4, 1953, married Gary Glassco, children: Dusty & Jill. Mary Ruby, born Feb 11, 1921, married Arthur Womack, Dec 25, 1943 children: Richard Cleveland (RC), married Betty Jo Allen, children: Anita & Annette. Anita married Steve Wilbourn, children: Jason & Haley. Julia Marie, born Feb 2, 1946, died May 23, 1975. Annie Mae, died Nov 9, 1923, about 2 months old. Walter's children by 1st wife, Alice: Katie Denham, Daisy Looney, Aubrey, William, Thomas, Bernard, James & Charles Allen.

Ermie Franklin, born May 19, 1898, married Dec 24, 1922 Myrtle Lemons, died Jan 7, 1974. Children: John Franklin, born Oct 31, 1923, married Margaret Kent, Oct 29, 1948, divorced, adopted son, Johnny, married 2nd, Justine. Johnny married Debbie, children: Terry, Lacey & Krissy. Inez, Feb 23, 1926, married James



Tennie Law Clemons about 1909



Julia Law Allen, Annie Law, Marvin Law ca E.

(Joe) Starnes, Dec 24, 1944, child: Jo Ann, married a Holder, divorced, children: Jackie & Jennifer. Benjamin Forrest, born Nov 30, 1930, married Anna Sue Smith, divorced, children: Carol, Laura, Joy & Sam, married 2nd, Nell.

Hetty Ann (Annie) born Dec 5, 1901, died Sept 28, 1921 with burst appendix.

Tennie Mae, born April 14, 1906, married Henry Grady Clemons, son of George W & Sallie McKay Clemons, Nov 2, 1924, Grady died May 28, 1983. Children: Billy Boyd, born May 22, 1925, married June Ellen Hunt April 3, 1948, adopted son, William Jack, born Dec 29, 1960. Jack married



Isom Forrest Law Ida Law c1916

Latonia Marie Westmoreland Oct 30, 1987, son, William Tyler, born Aug 31, 1995. Rena Madge, born March 24, 1930, married Ernest Shepard, May 25, 1946, one child, dead at birth, Charles Edward, June 11, 1947, married Bill Wright who died in 1980, then married Charles Hammett Oct 19, 1985. Catherine Ophelia, born Nov 22, 1933, married

James Robert Cameron, Jr, June 23, 1951, children: Janice Gail, born Aug 5, 1954, who married Steven Zeigler Sept 25, 1995. Robert Charles, born July 24, 1958, married Sandra Mize Jennings, Dec 28, 1985, children; Joshua David Jennings, born Nov 8, 1979 & Andrew

Ethan Cameron, born Oct 27, 1986. Roger Philip, born Oct 23, 1962, married Cynthia Danette Rogers, March 29, 1990, son: Jason Wendell Atkins, born Dec 16, 1979. Iris Ann, born and died Aug 13, 1937 Mary Elizabeth, born July 1, 1939, died March 3, 1941 Betty Jean, born Oct 17, 1943, married David Griffin Sullivan, Sr. Oct 3, 1964, died Feb 16, 1978 in a car-truck accident. Children: David Griffin, Jr., born May 6, 1965, married Betty Skelton Nov 24, 1984, children: Meagen Beth, born May 4, 1985, Justin Griffin, born March 19, 1995. James Anthony, born May 8, 1968, married Marla Alyce Byrd July 1, 1990 child: Adriana Alyce, born Sept 11, 1995 Sandra Renee, born July 3, 1971. Submitted by: Catherine Clemons Cameron, 638 Marina Road, Guntersville, AL 35976-0000 Sources: Court records, Jackson, Madison, and Marshall Counties, Alabama; Tennie Law Clemons; Julia Law Allen; Ruby Cordell Womack; Catherine Clemons Cameron.



12-21-91 Gail Cameron, Andy Cameron, Catherine Cameron, Robert Cameron, Jason Atkins. Back: Josh Jennings, Sandy Cameron, Bobby Cameron, Phil Cameron, Cindy Cameron

Lawhorn Family

William B. Lawhorn was born November 2, 1843. His father, whose name is unknown, died when William was a young boy. William's mother, Margaret, remarried to John Marshall Pendergrass on January 16, 1849, in Marshall County, Alabama. Sometime in the late 1850's Marshall Pendergrass and his family moved to Bridgeport, Alabama. William Lawhorn took his step-father's last name and went by Pendergrass until he married. William B. Lawhorn married Martha E. Ferguson on August 5, 1872, in Bridgeport. Martha was the daughter of Stephen and Nancy Ferguson, who lived in Doran's Cove, near Bridgeport. Martha Ferguson Lawhorn was born January 5, 1855, and died March 2, 1935. William B. Lawhorn died May 16, 1893. They are both buried in Doran's Cove Cemetery, near Bridgeport.

William and Martha Lawhorn had ten children: James R. Lawhorn (May 11, 1873 - June 17, 1902); William Thomas



Martha Ferguson Lawhorn (1855-1935), wife of William B. Lawhorn.

Lawhorn (July 25, 1874 - May 12, 1929), moved to Earle, Arkansas; Marion Francis Lawhorn (May 22, 1876 - February 27, 1946), married Sallie Case, buried in Mt. Carmel Cemetery, Bridgeport; Joseph Andrew Lawhorn (November 10, 1878 - August 20, 1879); Elizabeth "Lizzie" Ellen Lawhorn (January 30, 1880 - November 2, 1947), married Jefferson Payne, buried in Mt. Carmel Cemetery, Bridgeport; Nancy J. Lawhorn (September 26, 1882 - July 14, 1904); Ira Engram Lawhorn (April 24, 1884 - June 8, 1941), married Mariah Elizabeth Dawson, buried in Mt. Carmel Cemetery, Bridgeport; A. P. Lawhorn (December 28, 1885 - December 17, 1947), married Bertha Jenkins, buried in Mt. Carmel Cemetery, Bridgeport; John B. Lawhorn (March 27, 1887 - May 16, 1949), married Maggie Dawson, buried in Mt. Carmel Cemetery, Bridgeport; Bertha Arlene Lawhorn (January 15, 1889 - April 30, 1943), married John B. Allison.

Ira E. Lawhorn married Mariah Elizabeth Dawson on June 24, 1904, in Bridgeport. She was the daughter of Albert Terry Dawson (1864-1942) and Mary Ellen Walker Dawson (1867-1952). Albert Terry Dawson was the son of Henry Dawson and Mary Jane Buffington. During the Civil War, Henry Dawson was a strong Union sympathizer. Though born in Smith County, Tennessee, he had a brother who fought in the Union Army. Stephen Ferguson, Dawson's neighbor in Doran's Cove, was an equally strong Confederate sympathizer and threatened to hang Dawson on a number of occasions. Mary Ellen Walker Dawson was the daughter of Alexander Walker (1832-1922), who fought in Gunter's Battalion in the Confederate Army, and Mariah Matthews (sometimes spelled Mathis). Alexander Walker was the son of Jeremiah Walker and Sarah Martindale Walker. Jeremiah Walker had fought in the Florida Indian War of 1837 and was killed by bushwhackers during the closing days of the Civil War, despite the fact that he had a number of sons in the Confederate Army. Mariah Matthews Walker was the daughter of John Matthews and Elizabeth Sanders. John Matthews was from Matthews Cove in Jackson County, where his parents, Walker and Luvina Isbell Matthews, had settled in the 1820's. John Matthews served briefly in Gunter's Battalion in the Confederate Army. Elizabeth Sanders Matthews was from Paint Rock Valley and was the daughter of Joseph and Martha Sanders. Joseph Sanders was killed by bushwhackers on April 10, 1863. Two of his sons (children of by his second wife, Deborah) fought in the Union Army.

Ira E. Lawhorn and Mariah Elizabeth Dawson Lawhorn had ten children: Mary Elizabeth Lawhorn (May 4, 1907 - March 24, 1961), married Carl Stewart, buried in Mt. Carmel Cemetery, Bridgeport; Ira Albert Lawhorn (February 12, 1909 - November 19, 1972), married Ozelle Virginia Moore, buried in Mt. Carmel Cemetery, Bridgeport; William Crockett Lawhorn (February 17, 1911 - December 29, 1979), married Addie Samantha Gill, buried in Maple Hill Cemetery, Huntsville, Alabama; Verna Mae Lawhorn (born January 28, 1913), married Edward Coffman; Gladys Arlene Lawhorn (June 13, 1915 - October 15, 1984), married John Helton, buried in Mt. Carmel Cemetery, Bridgeport; Edward Lawhorn (October 10, 1917 - December 25, 1919), buried in Mt. Carmel Cemetery, Bridgeport; Frances Pauline Lawhorn (born June 5, 1920), married Daniel Moore; Ruby Emogene (born February 10, 1923), married (1st) A. J. Gibson, (2nd) Rollie Rowland; Arnell Dylphine "Dean" Lawhorn (born March 11, 1925); married Frank King; and Violet Lorene Lawhorn (November 1, 1927 - April 15, 1983), married Carl Dowland, buried in Holly Springs, Mississippi.

William Crockett Lawhorn and Addie Samantha Gill were married in 1933. W. C. Lawhorn moved to Huntsville to work at Redstone Arsenal where he was employed until the time of his death in 1979. W. C. and Addie had the following children: William Edward Lawhorn (born February 17, 1934) and Barbara Elizabeth Lawhorn (born March 14, 1936). Barbara married David Bartley Jacks, III, on April 14, 1957. They live in New Market, Alabama, and have two sons: William David Jacks (born April 15, 1959) and

Thomas Edward Jacks (born October 26, 1970). Dave Jacks married Cheryl Ann Sartain on July 12, 1980. They have one child, Kelly Elise Jacks (born February 21, 1988). Dave is a professional firefighter for the City of Huntsville. Tom received a bachelor's and master's degrees in mechanical engineering from Auburn University. He is employed by Orbital Sciences Corporation and currently resides in Chandler, Arizona. Submitted by: Barbara Lawhorn Jacks, 252 Frank Hereford Drive, New Market, AL 35761.

Lawson

The Lawson's arrived in Jackson County, from Tennessee, in the early 1890's by raft on the Tennessee River. I have been told that there was at least eight families that made the trip down the river and landed at Island Creek Cove, near Stevenson. One couple that was on the raft was Green Lawson (1851 - 1920) and his wife



Back row: Betty Ann, Nettie Lawson Williams, Kenneth Ray, Arthur Ed, Billy Jere, Richard Arthur, Front Row: Ida Sue Williams

were all born in Tennessee, and T. Frank (1893 - 1980), Harry (1895 - ?), Ida Lee (1897 - ?), who were all born in Tennessee, and T. Frank (1893 - 1980), Harry (1895 - ?), Ida Lee (1897 - ?), who were all born in Alabama. Green and Sarah were buried in an unmarked grave in Harris Chapel Cemetery in Long Island Alabama. Most of their children were also buried in Harris Chapel Cemetery.

Nettie Lawson married George Gilliam (1875 - 1956) around 1894. Nettie and George had twelve children; Hughie Myrtle, Flora Malinda, Laurie, Claude William, Jessie, Zellar, Ida, Ella Mae, Sarah, Mary, Lucy, and Jo Bill. All of the children were born in Long Island, Alabama and most are buried in Harris Chapel Cemetery.

John Henry Lawson married Lula Avis Stoner (1883 - 1959) on 18 April 1900. John Henry and Lula had six children; Eula, Will Edna, Minerva Frances, Samuel Lawrence, Henry Stoner and Mildred Hughie. John Henry and Lula are buried in Mt. Carmel Cemetery in Bridgeport, Alabama.

Oscar Zebb Lawson married Sudie Lee Hawk (1885 - 1959). Sudie was born in Dayton, Tennessee. Oscar Zebb and Sudie had seven children; Cisero Fletcher "Buck", Sarah Caroline, Ben, Elmer, Arthur Lee "Dude", Charles Thomas and Willie Hazz. Willie told me that his mother's nationality was part Cherokee Indian. Oscar and Sudie are buried in Harris Chapel Cemetery.



James "Jim" Lawson, Nancy Hurst Lawson

James "Jim" Lawson married Nancy Hurst (1885 - 1967), who is the daughter of Samuel Asberry Hurst and Sarah Frances Smith. Jim and Nancy had seven children; Susie, Green, Betty, Nettie Louise, Ida, Marie and Billie. Nettie Louise (1911 - 1980) married Richard Arthur Williams (1905 - 1957) on 16 February 1931 in Jackson County Alabama. Richard Arthur was the son of Richard Andrew Williams and Elizabeth Emmaline Brewer. Richard and Elizabeth had seven children; Betty Ann, Ida Sue, Arthur Ed, Billy Jere, Kenneth Ray "Coony", James Wayne "Doug", and Amanda Louise. Jim and Nancy Lawson, Richard, Nettie and Amanda Williams are buried in Harris Chapel Cemetery.

Myrtle Lawson married to a Carlton. They had three children; Morris, Bob and Tom.

T. Frank Lawson married Alice Gray (1898 - 1959). They had ten children: Jossie Lee, Dan Russel "Bill", Hary "Sam", Roy "Ed", Talmadge "Dugan", James, Frankie Louise, Carl "Dick", Myrtle and Bertha. Some of the children are buried in Harris Chapel Cemetery.

Harry and Ida Lee Lawson were born in Alabama. Ida married Alberly Terry. They had nine children; Cecil, Willie Mae, Nannibe, Jack, Eunis, Beatrice, Albert, Jimmy and Jo.

Today, one can still find the Lawson family name and heritage relevant in the Stevenson, Bridgeport and Long Island Area of Alabama. *Submitted by: Kristin Ragan Williams, 4667 Co Road 91, Stevenson, AL 35772.*

Sources: Census Records; Personal Interviews; Cemeteries.

Ligon Family

Mastin Ligon married Elizabeth Wood (daughter of Thomas and Mary Moore Wood) on January 12, 1808, in Halifax County, Virginia, and they moved to Tennessee shortly after their marriage. Mastin Ligon's War of 1812 military record shows he was hospitalized in Huntsville during his tour of duty with Andrew Jackson's forces. He must have found North Alabama appealing, as he moved his family to Jackson County, Alabama in 1820.

Mastin and Elizabeth Ligon's children were Mary Moore Ligon, born 1810, married Richard Alexander Burgess; Thomas Dozier Ligon, born 1812, married Elizabeth; and Elijah Baker Ligon, born November 16, 1814, married Ann Jackson, daughter of Hiram Jackson and granddaughter of John Jackson (Revolutionary War veteran) who settled near Birdsong's Spring between Larkinsville and old Sauta in 1820.

Mastin Ligon and both of his sons purchased property in Sections 3, 10, and 11 in Township 5, Range 5 East in the 1830s. Elijah Baker and Ann (Jackson) Ligon's log home was located near the intersection of Highway 72 and Porter Road where it stood for more than 160 years. Ann Barbee Chambless has recycled the hand-hewn rocks from their chimney to define the perimeter of a flower bed.

Four of Elijah Baker Ligon's children died from scarlet fever in 1855. They were Sarah, born 1842, Eliza born 1846, Amanda born 1847, and Thomas born 1849. Elijah's two daughters who lived to adulthood were Mary Elizabeth Ligon, born September 10, 1840, died May 22, 1928, married Rufus Hollis on October 8, 1865, and Margaret Bernice Ligon, born January 22, 1845, died October 22, 1931, married Thomas Jacob Hollis on October 17, 1870, and their son, James Ollie Hollis was born October 25, 1876. He married Mary Cynthia Childress (daughter of Silas Parsons and Martha Jane Rosson Childress, Sr.) on December 20, 1894, and their daughter Virginia Belle Hollis was born December 30, 1895. Belle married Houston Brown Wilhelm, and their only child, Era Coe Wilhelm, was born September 10, 1913. Era married Albert Leonard Barbee on February 14, 1933, and their two daughters are Virginia Ann Barbee, born August 14, 1936 and Martha Lynn Barbee born August 27, 1939. Ann Barbee married Joseph DeLee Chambless on August 10, 1954, and their son is Robert Heath Chambless, born July 11, 1971. Martha Barbee married Ronald Hess on June 5, 1957, and their son is Gregory Dean Hess, born February 3, 1972.

Elijah Baker Ligon died on July 5, 1894, and Ann (Jackson) Ligon died on March 16, 1892. Both are buried in the Robertson Cemetery in Long Hollow, as are both their parents.

One of Thomas Dozier Ligon's children was Sarah Ligon who married James Perry Clemens on January 29, 1879. Their son, Thomas Samuel Clemens (1880-1949) married Nancy Black and had James N. Clemons, born August 23, 1908, who married Sue Lee Lowe in September 1928. Their son is Robert N. Clemens.

Mastin Ligon was born in 1791 in Halifax County, Virginia, and died October 1, 1872, at his home in Jackson County. Elizabeth Wood Ligon was born February 1, 1792 in Halifax County, Virginia, and was killed by a Negro slave while Mastin was away from home on June 1, 1863.

Mastin Ligon was the son of Joseph Ligon, Jr. (1755-1842) who was wounded by a musket ball passing through his shoulder during the Battle of Guilford Court House during the Revolutionary War. Mastin Ligon's mother was Diana Coleman Clay, daughter of Marston and Elizabeth (Williams) Clay.

Joseph Ligon, Jr. was the son of Joseph Ligon, Sr. who was born circa 1725-1730 in Henrico County, Virginia and died 1780 in Hali-

fax County, Virginia. Joseph Ligon, Sr. married Judith Watts, and Joseph, Sr. also served in the Revolutionary War from Halifax County, Virginia.

Joseph Ligon, Sr. was the son of Joseph Ligon I (1704-1752) and Judith Stewart Ligon. Joseph Ligon I was the son of William Ligon II (1682-1764) who married Elizabeth Batte, daughter of Captain Henry and Mary (Lounds) Batte. William Ligon II was the son of Major William Ligon (ca 1655-1689) who married Mary Tanner (daughter of Joseph and Mary Tanner) who lived in Henrico County, Virginia. Major William Ligon was the son of Colonel Thomas Ligon (born 1623-1624 and died 1675) who married Mary Harris (daughter of Thomas and Adria Gurganey Harris) after immigrating to Virginia from England where he was born in Warwickshire, Worchestershire, England. *Submitted by: Virginia Chambless*

James Hambrick Littleton Lipscomb

The only child of James Oldham Lipscomb (June 7, 1867- March 30, 1947) and Ellen Hambrick Lipscomb (August 2, 1868 - April 19, 1962), James Hambrick Littleton Lipscomb, was born in Scottsboro, Alabama on September 17, 1892 and died May 31, 1937. Jim was educated in the schools of Scottsboro and attended business school in Nashville, Tennessee.

After completing business school, Jim became owner and operator of Lipscomb Coal Company. During World War I, he was stationed at Camp Wheeler, Georgia near Macon. He married Bessie Laura Moody (September 9, 1896 - December 7, 1962), daughter of Judge Albert Henry Moody and Jennie Campbell Moody on September 15, 1921, and they resided in Tupelo, Mississippi for a short time. Upon their return to Scottsboro, Jim continued to operate his coal company and began his business of Lipscomb Grocery Company on the north side of the Square (Laurel Street).

During the late 1920's, Jim purchased property on the east side of Market Street from the First Methodist Church and constructed a building for his grocery business and rental space for another business. Having a great eye for business, he would eagerly venture forth with new ideas for products to sell. He didn't confine himself to selling only groceries. Garden seeds, tomato, onion and cabbage plants were available. First Monday in March was always a busy day as people would purchase plants and seeds for the spring garden season. Every year, several weeks before Christmas, he opened a toy shop which proved very helpful to people in Scottsboro and Jackson County. At that time there was no other store in town that had such a wide selection of toys. Jim was not afraid of work, and more times than not he was right there beside his employees laboring as hard as they. He continued in the grocery and seed and feed business until his untimely death in 1937 at age 44. His father took over the management and supervision of his business and property until his death in 1947.

Jim Lipscomb was very industrious and a man of great business integrity. Through his good management and hard work, he acquired real estate throughout Scottsboro, built and owned rental houses and had farm property in Larkinsville.

Jim was a man who appeared to find his greatest love and interest, first with his family and in his home and then in his store and other businesses. He was a kind and devoted husband and father. Often times he would gather all the children in the neighborhood and take them in his truck to go on a picnic or hunt hickory nuts in the woods. He was courteous and genial in nature and was liked and respected by all who knew him. He believed in his native town and never tired in trying to build more and more to its greatness.

Jim and Bess Lipscomb were the parents of two daughters: (A) Virginia Winifred, born September 7, 1922, married James Enloe Pitt, Jr. (October 6, 1924) June 15, 1957. (1) James Enoe Pitt, III, born December 31, 1962, married Beverly Ann Hall (April 21, 1967) June 29, 1991. (a) James Enoe Pitt, IV, born October 30, 1996. (B) Marie Edna, born August 27, 1925, married Charles Arthur Baker, Jr. (August 11, 1922 - May 3, 1989) July 12, 1952. (1) Jennifer Lipscomb Baker, born January 9, 1954, married Robert Hudson Atkins April 20, 1985, divorced May, 1992. (a) Robert Hudson Atkins, Jr., born January 5, 1989. *Submitted by: Virginia Lipscomb Pitt, 412 College Avenue, Scottsboro, AL 35768.*

Sources: Family records; personal knowledge; Jackson County Sentinel, June 1937.

James Oldham Lipscomb

James Oldham Lipscomb was born in New Market, Madison County, Alabama on June 7, 1867 and died March 30, 1947 in