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On the cover: The William Daniel York family photographed at the York home in Howard County, Arkansas, about 1897.

Seated on the front row: William Daniel York, Marion Nicholas York, and Julia Francis (Perkins) York.

Second row: Randon F. Jacques, Annie Elizabeth (York) Jacques holding daughter Annie Hortense Jacques, Texas York and Daniel Perkins York.

Third row: Melissa York, William Watson York, Julia Francis York and James Robert York.

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President's Page

I hope by the time you read this that the Arkansas History Commission and State Archives will be open again on Saturdays. The Saturday closing has created a hardship for researchers who work during the week and also has contributed to the low number of people visiting the archives the past three years. If you have not been to the Arkansas History Commission, I hope you will plan on going in the near future. It has one of the best genealogical collections in the south.

Seven AGS board members attended a special meeting of the Arkansas History Commission on Saturday May 7th. We had looked forward to meeting the new state historian and director of the Arkansas History Commission, Wendy Richter. Ms. Richter served as archivist at the Ouachita Baptist University's Riley-Hickingbotham Library for the past fifteen years. She has a lot of exciting plans for bringing the AHC into the 21st century and for increasing awareness of the state archives. You can visit the AHC website at <http://www.ark-ives.com/>.

Make your plans now to attend our 2005 Fall Seminar and Book Fair, October 21st and 22nd. Our own Susan Boyle and Russell Baker will be presenters on Friday night. Our guest speaker on Saturday will be Sherry Irvine. Sherry is a lecturer, teacher, and author, specializing in distance research – records and methods for finding roots in England, Scotland, and Ireland. She has been researching for more than thirty years and teaching since 1984. She works from the premise that knowledge and logic work and firmly believes that successful genealogy is steeped in history. She likes nothing better than to share practical advice and her enthusiasm for the past.

The first winner of the Bobbie Jones McLane award for family history writing will be announced at the fall seminar. If you haven't entered, the deadline is *June 30th*! There's still time to polish up that family story you have been writing and get it in the mail.

The Priors Volume 3 book and CD are now available, thanks to the dedicated volunteers who make this project possible.

Regards,
Jan Hearn Davenport, President
Arkansas Genealogical Society

Letters and FYI

Birth Records Never Before Published!

**Arkansas Priors Birth Index, Volume 3
&
Arkansas Priors Birth Index CD, Volumes 1, 2 & 3**

The Arkansas Priors Birth Index, Volume 3 and Arkansas Priors Birth Index, Volumes 1, 2, and 3 CD can be purchased now. After two years of indexing by volunteers the birth certificates filed in 1943 are in book form and on a searchable CD. The price of the book is \$85.00 and the CD is \$15.00. These publications are a project of the Arkansas Genealogical Society which is indexing the birth certificates of people that were born before the Arkansas Department of Health began registering births in 1914. By Arkansas law, birth information may be published when it is 100 years old. Therefore, AGS publishes births as they become eligible each year, and Volume 3 includes 1903 and 1904 births that were filed in 1942. The previous two volumes are not duplicated in Volume 3. However, the CD combines all three of the volumes in one database searchable by child's name, county, and mother's maiden name.

Order now. See insert for Publications order form.

March 2005 Correction

In the reprint of the March 2005 quarterly, the information concerning the photograph on the cover was inadvertently left out. The following is the correction: Congregants at the old Bethlehem Methodist Church in Washington County, Arkansas, about 1920 after it had been moved to Morrow.

Front Row, Left to Right: Iona David, Marie Latta, Vena Reed, Eula Reed, Ethel Howard and Teacher, Emma Blake Talley.

Middle Row: Maggie Howard, Ethal Leach, Van Forbes and Gladys Reed.

Back Row: Herbert Talley, Ray Forbes, Owen Reed, Boyd Latta, Vernon Carmack, Lester David and Homer David.

Face Facts

by Lynn Ewbank

Courtesy, *Family Tree Magazine*, Premiere Issue, January 2000

<http://www.familytreemagazine.com>

An old picture can be worth a thousand words of family history—if you know how to read its secrets.



Anyone can be a photo detective, deducing family-history facts from mysterious old photos found in attics and albums. You just have to start with what you already know, and work from there. For instance, written on the back of this photograph's frame is: "Edward N. Wiegel house, 3204 West 12th Street." From the photographer Kettering's mark on the mount, I figure out that the town is Little Rock, Ark.

Zoom in on details: If the youngest child, born in 1906, is still in a stroller, the photo may date 1906 or 1907 →





← Don't just look at the front of a mysterious old photo; the back and frame can offer important clues, too.

First Steps

That lead sends me to the Arkansas History Commission biographical file. At home, you might begin with your collected family-history materials or genealogical software program. I find Wiegel's obituary in the *Arkansas Gazette*, Aug. 26, 1930, naming his wife and eight living children.

My next step—1900 and 1920 Pulaski County, Ark., census records—gives me birth dates or ages of Edward, his wife Mary and their nine children.

More Clues

Since the photo shows only seven children, I use Pulaski County marriage and Mt. Holly Cemetery records for clues to who is absent: probably oldest child Minnie, who married in 1902, and Walter, who died in 1903 at age 11. Because the youngest child, Susie (in the baby carriage), was born in 1906, I deduce the photo was made about 1906 or 1907.

Ask Questions

How was Wiegel able to support his family's quality lifestyle as evidenced by the fine home and clothing? From cemetery records and the obituary, I discover Wiegel was a brick manufacturer, rock-crusher and road contractor who built the first macadam road in Pulaski County. His road work benefited more than travelers: A *History of Bauxite* article identifies him as the one who brought geologist J. C. Branner a sample of the rock he was using to surface the road from Little Rock to Sweet Home, Ark., in 1887. The rock became the first discovery of bauxite in Arkansas and led to the mining of the rock in 1898 for use in aluminum production.

Based on this research, the Wiegel family members pictured are probably: On the porch (left to right)—David W. Wiegel (b. 1890), Edward N. Wiegel (b.1854), Mary V. Emerick Wiegel (b.1863) and Edward Wiegel, Jr. (b. 1887). On the ground (left to right)—Louis A. Wiegel (b.1900), Theodore Wiegel (b. about 1903), Susie Wiegel (in baby carriage, b. 1906), Nina Wiegel (b. 1893) and Robert Wiegel (b. 1896).

Try a little detective work with your own old photos—you never know what family mysteries you'll solve.

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William Daniel York and Julia Francis Perkins Family

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William Daniel's grandfather Jonathan York brought his family to Yalobusha County, Mississippi, from Pickens County, Alabama, where he had lived since 1816.¹ Jonathan York died in Mississippi without a will before May of 1838, and his wife Phoebe and son James M. were the administrators of his estate.² Phoebe and James M. were enumerated by the 1840 U. S. census as heads of household.³ William Daniel York was born 21 April 1846⁴ in Coffeerville, Yalobusha County, Mississippi, the son of James M. and Nancy Ann (?) York. In 1850 the York household contained William and three other children: Jonathan, Luther Catherine, and Nora Caroline, all born in Mississippi. It is stated on that census that James was born in Tennessee and Nancy Ann was born in Alabama.⁵ William Daniel York eventually would take his family on a journey across the United States, returning finally to the south to settle in Arkansas.

About 1844 the Robert Perkins family also migrated to Yalobusha County, Mississippi, from Pickens County, Alabama.⁶ In Alabama the York and Perkins families had been neighbors as shown by a land plat in Pickens

¹ Billie Thomson Lockard, *Descendants of Pioneer Settlers of Tuscaloosa County, Alabama* (Tuscaloosa, Alabama: Tuscaloosa Genealogical Society, 1999), page 1. Alton Lambert, *History of Tuscaloosa County Alabama, Volume One* (Centre, Alabama: Stewart University Press, 1977), page 21.

² Yalobusha County administrators index, County Clerk's Office, Coffeerville, Mississippi, page 43.

³ Phebe York household, 1840 U. S. census, Yalobusha County, Mississippi, page 268, line 2; National Archives micropublication M704, roll 219. James M. York household, 1840 U. S. census, Yalobusha County, Mississippi, page 291, line 18; National Archives micropublication M704, roll 219.

⁴ William Daniel York tombstone, Center Point Cemetery, Center Point, Howard County, Arkansas, York plot.

⁵ James M. York household, 1850 U. S. census, Yalobusha County, Mississippi, population schedule, north of Yalobusha River, page 410, dwelling 481, family 481; National Archives micropublication M432, roll 382.

⁶ Robert Perkins household, 1840 U. S. census, Pickens County, Alabama, page 340, line 1; National Archives micropublication M704, roll 219.

County, Alabama. The Perkins land was located in T 21, R 17, S 2 while the York land was located in T 21, R 17, S 1.⁷ The 1850 U. S. census shows the Perkins and York families literally next door to each other.⁸

On 21 January 1850 Robert Perkins' wife Elizabeth Carter (Hooper) gave birth to a daughter, Julia Francis, who would become the wife of William Daniel York.⁹ This census dated 26 September 1850 is the first available record showing Julia as eight months of age with her family. Robert, the head of household, was listed as a planter, born in Virginia, and Elizabeth, her mother was born in Georgia. Also in the household were seven boys, Elisha, James, Robert, Nicholas, William, Daniel, Manning [Marion]. Except for Julia and Marion, who had been born in Mississippi, the children of the Perkins family had been born in Alabama.¹⁰ Two older sisters, Amelia and Elizabeth, were not enumerated in the household, since they had married prior to the census.¹¹ Julia's brothers Elisha and Nicholas married in 1855 and 1856, respectively.¹² James Harden Perkins, another brother, died 30 April 1857 and was buried in the Williams Cemetery in Yalobusha County.¹³ No records have been located that show her brothers, James, William, and Daniel ever married.

The 1860 Federal census of Yalobusha County does not show Julia and William as next door neighbors, but they are in the same county. The enumeration of the Perkins family on 12 July 1860 lists Julia as ten years old

⁷ James Dolphus Johnson Jr., *Early Settlers of Pickens County, Alabama* (Cullman, Alabama: Gregath Publishing Company, 1992), page 41.

⁸ James York household, 1850 U. S. census, Yalobusha County, Mississippi, population schedule, north of the Yalobusha River township, page 410, dwelling 481, family 481; National Archives micropublication M432, roll 382.

⁹ Robert Perkins household, 1850 U. S. census, Yalobusha County, Mississippi, population schedule, north of Yalobusha River township, page 410, dwelling 483, family 483; National Archives micropublication M432, roll 382. Julia F. York, death certificate, no. 483, Arkansas Department of Health, Little Rock, Arkansas.

¹⁰ 1850 U. S. census, Yalobusha County, Mississippi, population schedule, north of Yalobusha River township, page 410, dwelling 483, family 483.

¹¹ Jordan Dodd, compiler, *Mississippi Marriages, 1826-1900*, online <www.ancestry.com>, data downloaded 20 November 2004.

¹² Ibid.

¹³ C. H. Spearman, *Yalobusha County, Mississippi Cemetery Records, Volume II, Eastern Yalobusha County*, (Coffeerville, Mississippi: The Yalobusha County Historical Society, 1980), page 133 (Williams Cemetery).

and her maternal grandmother, Sarah Hooper, was also in the household.¹⁴ Julia was the only girl with four older brothers. When the York family was enumerated on 16 August 1860, William was listed as fourteen years old.¹⁵

On 30 August 1860, George Washington Perkins was born to Julia's brother Nicholas and his wife Manerva (Jones), who died a year later. Julia's parents cared for him after his mother died, so he became like a little brother to her. Following the death of Nicholas in the Civil War, the child was called Nicholas George Washington Perkins after his father. This nephew would play a big part in Julia's life for many years.¹⁶

During the Civil War the Perkins family experienced much sadness. In 1862 Julia's grandmother, Sarah Hooper died at age eighty nine.¹⁷ Three brothers died: Nicholas at the Battle of Chickamauga, William at Shiloh, and Daniel in La Grange, Georgia, all fighting for the Confederacy.¹⁸ Three other brothers, Elisha, Robert, and Marion, survived the war. Julia was about twelve when the advanced guard of General Grant's army marched into Coffeeville, Mississippi, on 5 December 1862. At the Battle of Coffeeville the Confederates stopped Grant's first attempt to control the railroad to Vicksburg.¹⁹ In later years Julia told stories of her fear for her family's safety and the damage that she witnessed during the war and Reconstruction.²⁰

William Daniel York enlisted in the Confederate Army in Tupelo,

¹⁴ Robert Perkins household, 1860 U. S. census, Yalobusha County, Mississippi, population schedule, N. E. Beat, page 56, dwelling 357, family 357; National Archives micropublication M653, roll 594.

¹⁵ James M. York household, 1860 U. S. census, Yalobusha County, Mississippi, population schedule, Center Beat, page 864, dwelling 802, family 869; National Archives micropublication M653, roll 594.

¹⁶ *Mississippi Marriages, 1826-1900*, online, Ancestry.com. Letter from Ora Perkins Nix (Mrs. Clay A. Nix; 17 Loblolly Drive, Little Rock, Arkansas 72204) to Mr. York Gary, 21 July 1981; in possession of Gloria Gary Futrell (2111 Hinson Road, #1; Little Rock, Arkansas 72212). The late Mrs. Nix was a cousin to Nicholas.

¹⁷ Flora Hooper Collier, *Hooper Genealogy, A Southern Branch, Volume II*, (Duncan, Oklahoma: privately printed, 1972), page 104.

¹⁸ William K. Hall, *Descendants of Nicholas Perkins of Virginia* (Ann Arbor, Michigan: Edwards Brothers, Inc., 1957), page 233. Hall, *Descendants of Nicholas Perkins of Virginia*, page 150.

¹⁹ Dunbar Rowland, *Military History of Mississippi, 1803-1898* (Spartanburg, South Carolina: Reprint Company, 1988), page 223.

²⁰ Letter, Ora Perkins Nix to York Gary, 21 July 1981. Hall, *Descendants of Nicholas Perkins of Virginia*, pages 149-150.

Mississippi, on 3 May 1864 at the age of eighteen and was part of the Cavalry Battalion of Waul's Texas Legion. Thomas Neville Waul was a former resident of Coffeerville, who had moved to Gonzales County, Texas.²¹ After William was captured in Citronelle, Alabama, and later released, he returned to Coffeerville.²² On the 1870 census William was living with his father, James M. and Nathaniel York, age twenty-one (relationship unknown).²³ His mother was not enumerated in the household.

Julia and her family have not been located in the 1870 Federal census, but the marriage of Julia F. Perkins, age twenty-two, to William Daniel York, age twenty-six, occurred on 25 January 1872 and was recorded in the Coffeerville courthouse.²⁴ They remained in Coffeerville where in 1874 Julia's father Robert Perkins died.²⁵ By 1880 William's father had moved to Gonzales County, Texas, where he is listed on the census with his second wife.²⁶ The William D. York family remained in Yalobusha County, Mississippi,²⁷ until about 1884 when William Daniel took his family to join the James M. York family in Gonzales County, Texas. It was there where William had trained during the Civil War in Waul's Legion. Their daughter Texas was born in 1885 in Gonzales County. Two nephews Nicholas and E. O. Perkins also migrated to Texas with them. After a few years in Texas, Julia and William decided to accompany her nephew Nicholas and Dr. Henry Flentge and his family who were leaving Gonzales County to go farther west. They took the train from Luling, Texas, to San Francisco, California, and then traveled by ship to Coos Bay, Oregon.²⁸ Julia must

²¹ Thomas N. Waul household, 1840 U. S. census, Yalobusha County, Mississippi, page 278, line 27; National Archives micropublication M704, roll 219.

²² W. D. York, compiled military record, (private, Company B, Waul's Texas Legion, Cavalry) *Confederate Compiled Military Service Records*, micropublication M323, roll 436.

²³ James M. York household, 1870 U. S. census, Yalobusha County, Mississippi, population schedule, 24th township, page 87b, dwelling 111, family 120; National Archives micropublication M593, roll 754.

²⁴ Yalobusha County Marriage Book E: 246, Circuit Clerk's Office, Coffeerville, Mississippi.

²⁵ Spearman, *Yalobusha County, Mississippi Cemetery Records, Volume II, Eastern Yalobusha County*, 133, (Williams Cemetery).

²⁶ James M. York household, 1880 U. S. census, Gonzales County, Texas, population schedule, enumeration district [ED] 71, supervisor's district [SD] 6, page 520, dwelling 450, family 464; National Archives micropublication T9, roll 1306.

²⁷ William Daniel York household, 1880 U. S. census, Yalobusha County, Mississippi, population schedule, Fifth District, enumeration district [ED] 210, supervisor's district [SD] 5, page 263, family 164; National Archives micropublication T9, roll 669.

²⁸ Letter, Ora Perkins Nix to York Gary, 21 July 1981.

have had a close bond with Nicholas to take her family on such a long and arduous trip. The group arrived in Myrtle Point, Oregon on 16 April 1887. Nicholas later married Dr. Flentge's daughter, Emelia and became a druggist and owner of the Perkins Drug Store in Myrtle Point.²⁹

Later that year, on 27 October 1887, Julia gave birth to Jonathan, but he died in 1889 and was buried in the old Myrtle Point Cemetery.³⁰ In May of 1889 Julia's mother died in Coffeeville, Mississippi.³¹ By the age of thirty-three, Julia had lost both her parents, four brothers, and one son. Unhappy in Oregon, possibly due to the climate, Julia yearned for the South.³² The family relocated to Howard County, Arkansas, where they bought land on 2 November 1891 from A. W. Reese.³³ The only clue as to why the York family came to Arkansas was the family story that William Daniel wrote to the federal government inquiring about a suitable area to settle in the South, and the reply was "Arkansas." Julia's last child, Marion Nicholas, was born there in Howard County in 1892.³⁴ The family remained in Howard County for the next fifty years.

In a historical poem by A. W. Reese, William Daniel is given credit for establishing School District No. 56 in 1896 in Howard County. A. W. Reese suggested that the school be named after William Daniel York, hence York's Chapel. William Daniel served as a director there until his death. The building no longer exists, but the name of York's Chapel remains today. On 2 July 1897 William Daniel and Julia were baptized at the Blue Bayou

²⁹ Emelia Josephine Perkins obituary, *Myrtle Point Herald*, Myrtle Point, Oregon, 2 February 1933, taken from Alice H. Wooldridge, *Pioneers and Incidents of the Upper Coquille Valley 1890-1940* (Myrtle Creek, Oregon: The Mail Printers), page 313. Nicholas G. W. Perkins household, 1910 U. S. census, Coos County, Oregon, population schedule, city of Myrtle Point, enumeration district [ED] 60, supervisor's district [SD] 1, sheet 2A, dwelling 26, family 26; National Archives micropublication T624, roll 1280.

³⁰ Hall, *Descendants of Nicholas Perkins of Virginia*, page 233. Jonathan York tombstone, Myrtle Point Cemetery (old), Myrtle Point, Coos County, Oregon, online <www.rootsweb.com/~orcoos/mptcem.htm>.

³¹ Spearman, *Yalobusha County, Mississippi Cemetery Records, Volume II, Eastern Yalobusha County*, page 133 (Williams Cemetery).

³² Letter, Ora Perkins Nix to York Gary, 21 July 1981.

³³ William D. York Deed, Howard County, Arkansas, Circuit Clerk's Office, Deed Book R:138.

³⁴ William D. York household, 1900 U. S. census, Howard County, Arkansas, population schedule, County Line township, enumeration district [ED] 69, supervisor's district [SD] 5, sheet 4, dwelling 63, family 67; National Archives micropublication T623, roll 61.

Church of Christ.³⁵ William became a member of the Center Point Masonic Lodge in Howard County.³⁶

The 1900 census enumerates five of their children in the household with Robert listed as a dentist and Texas as fourteen years of age. [She later acquired the nickname Puddie.] Within the next ten years, five of William's and Julia's children would marry. Tragedy struck twice, when their daughter, Julia Francis York Chesshir and her baby died during childbirth on 7 February 1905 and exactly a week later William Daniel York died on 14 February 1905.³⁷ In July of 1905 Texas married Jesse Carl Gary, who was living nearby.³⁸

On the 1910 census Julia was listed as the head of the household with only two children, Daniel and Marion.³⁹ Another daughter, Melissa York Gallaher died in 1916 after being ill for three years. On the 1920 census in Howard County, Daniel is listed as head of household with Julia, seventy years of age, living with him.⁴⁰ Daniel was a farmer, like his father, and Marion, like his other brothers, had entered the medical field. In 1925 while living in Ashdown, Little River County, Arkansas, Julia applied for and was awarded a Confederate pension for her husband's service.⁴¹ Julia's nephew Nicholas came from Myrtle Point, Oregon, to visit her in Arkansas in 1925.⁴² By 1930 Julia was living in Texarkana, Bowie County, Texas with

³⁵ Lucille Westbrook, transcriber, *Blue Bayou, 1880-1980, The First Hundred Years*, 1977, Nashville, Arkansas, page 24 and 98.

³⁶ Arlene LaGrone, compiler, *Masonic Deaths in Arkansas, 1838-1916*, (Hot Springs, Arkansas: Arkansas Genealogical Society, 1999), page 183.

³⁷ William Daniel York tombstone, Center Point Cemetery, Howard County, Arkansas, York plot.

³⁸ James Gary household, 1900 U. S. census, Howard County, Arkansas, population schedule, County Line township, enumeration district [ED] 69, supervisor's district [SD] 5, sheet 1B, dwelling 17, family 17; National Archives micropublication T623, roll 61.

³⁹ Julia York household, 1910 U. S. census, Howard County, Arkansas, population schedule, County Line township, enumeration district [ED] 24, supervisor's district [SD] 4, sheet 11B, dwelling 210, family 215; National Archives micropublication T624, roll 52.

⁴⁰ Daniel P. York household, 1920 U. S. census, Howard County, Arkansas, population schedule, County Line township, enumeration district [ED] 25, supervisor's district [SD] 4, sheet 14, dwelling 172, family 176; National Archives micropublication T625, roll 65.

⁴¹ Julia F. York, Confederate Pension file, no. 26880, Arkansas History Commission, microfilm, roll 221.

⁴² Letter, Ora Perkins Nix to York Gary, 21 July 1981.

Daniel, who previously had married and divorced.⁴³ Eight years later Julia's son William Watson was killed in a car accident in Ashdown, and her son Daniel died in 1939.⁴⁴

At age 89, being one of two Real Daughters living in Arkansas, Julia became a member of the Daughters of the War of 1812. Although she lived in Nashville, Arkansas, she joined the General George Izard Chapter in Little Rock, Arkansas, on 5 October 1939.⁴⁵ Julia sold her farmland to her son-in-law J. C. Gary on 25 January 1940.⁴⁶ After that Julia lived with her daughter Texas Gary until she died on 12 May 1943 at the age of ninety-three.⁴⁷ Of her nine children, only four were still living at her death.

William Daniel and Julia Francis York were the parents of the following children:

- i. **Ann Elizabeth York** was born 19 October 1873 in Yalobusha County, Mississippi, and died on 08 April 1965 in DeQueen, Sevier County, Arkansas.⁴⁸ She married **Randon Franklin Jacques** on 04 January 1894 in Howard County, Arkansas.⁴⁹ He was born 07 June 1870 in Laurens County, South Carolina, the son of Thomas S. and

⁴³ Daniel P. York household, 1930 U. S. census, Bowie County, Texas, population schedule, enumeration district [ED] 10, supervisor's district [SD] 6, page 207, dwelling 579, family 600; National Archives micropublication T626, roll 2300.

⁴⁴ Dr. W. W. York obituary, *Arkansas Gazette*, Little Rock, Arkansas, 4 February 1938, page 7, column 3. Dr. W. W. York obituary, *Little River News*, Ashdown, Arkansas, 10 February 1938, page 1. Daniel York obituary, *Nashville News*, Nashville, Arkansas, 11 August 1939, page 1, column 1.

⁴⁵ Lineage application of Julia Francis Perkins, national no. 12644, National Society of United States Daughters of 1812, (Robert Perkins) Arkansas History Commission microfilm, Little Rock, Arkansas, roll 3, Book 5, no. 490.

⁴⁶ J. C. Gary Deed, Howard County, Arkansas, Circuit Clerk's Office, Nashville, Arkansas, Deed Book 74:35.

⁴⁷ Julia F. York, death certificate, no. 483, Arkansas Department of Health, Little Rock, Arkansas. Julia F. York obituary, *Nashville News*, Nashville, Arkansas, 14 May 1943, page 1, column 6.

⁴⁸ W. D. York household, 1880 U. S. census, Yalobusha County, Mississippi, population schedule, Fifth district, ED 210, SD 5, page 263, family 164. Annie York Jacques tombstone, Center Point Cemetery, Center Point, Howard County, Arkansas, Jacques plot. Annie York Jacques obituary, *DeQueen Bee*, DeQueen, Sevier County, Arkansas, 15 April 1965, page 8A, column 1.

⁴⁹ Howard County Marriage Book D: 166, County Clerk's Office, Nashville, Arkansas.

Nancy (Shell) Jacques,⁵⁰ and died 29 March 1948 in Eddy, Texas.⁵¹ They divorced 05 May 1925 in Nashville, Arkansas.⁵²

- ii. **James Robert York** was born 06 November 1874 in Yalobusha County, Mississippi, and died 04 March 1965 in Ft. Smith, Sebastian County, Arkansas.⁵³ He married (1) **Emma Hargrove** 09 November 1902 in Howard County, Arkansas.⁵⁴ She was born 19 September 1877 in Arkansas and died 17 October 1913 in Prescott, Nevada County, Arkansas.⁵⁵ He married (2) **Mary Josephine Weisiger**, 03 March 1914. She was born 01 November 1892 in Hendersonville, Sumner County, Tennessee, and died 03 March 1987 in Ft. Smith, Sebastian County, Arkansas.⁵⁶
- iii. **William Watson York** was born 14 March 1876 in Yalobusha County, Mississippi, and died 03 February 1938 in Ashdown, Little River County, Arkansas.⁵⁷ He married **Lucy Owens Coulter** 09 December 1903 in White Cliffs, Sevier County, Arkansas, the daughter of David B. and Frances (Clardy) Coulter.⁵⁸ She was born

⁵⁰ *Howard County Heritage* (Dallas: Taylor Publications Company, 1988), page 301. Thomas Jacques household, 1880 U. S. census, Howard County, Arkansas, population schedule, enumeration district [ED] 116, supervisor's district [SD] 1, sheet 64, dwelling 94, family 94; National Archives micropublication T9, roll 46.

⁵¹ From notes of interview with his granddaughter, Mrs. Edwina Kanatzer, DeQueen, Sevier County, Arkansas, April 1998.

⁵² *R. F. Jacques v Annie E. Jacques*, Howard County Chancery Court, Book E: 429-430, Circuit Clerk's Office, Nashville, Arkansas.

⁵³ Hall, *Descendants of Nicholas Perkins of Virginia*, page 233. Dr. James R. York obituary, *Texarkana Gazette*, Texarkana, U. S. A., 6 March 1965, page 1, column 4. Dr. James R. York obituary, *Arkansas Gazette*, Little Rock, Arkansas, 6 March 1965, page 8B, column 5. W. D. York household, 1880 U. S. census, Yalobusha County, Mississippi, population schedule, Fifth District, ED 210, SD 5, page 263, family 263. Dr. James Robert York, death certificate, no. 0484910 (1965) Arkansas Department of Health, Little Rock.

⁵⁴ Howard County Marriage Book F: 587, County Clerk's Office, Nashville, Arkansas.

⁵⁵ Joy Webb Raper, compiler, *Sevier County, Arkansas Cemetery Records*, (Conway, Arkansas: Arkansas Research, 2000), page 172. Emma J. York obituary, *Nashville News*, Nashville, Arkansas, 22 October 1913, page 2. Mrs. J. R. York obituary, *Nevada County Picayune*, Prescott, Arkansas, 24 October 1913, page 4.

⁵⁶ Edward Weisiger York, Sr., compiler, *Voyagers* (Ft. Smith, Arkansas: privately printed, no date), page 105.

⁵⁷ Hall, *Descendants of Nicholas Perkins of Virginia*, page 233.

⁵⁸ Dr. W. W. York obituary, *Arkansas Gazette*, Little Rock, Arkansas, 4 February 1938, page 9, column 4. Dr. W. W. York obituary, *Little River News*, Ashdown, Arkansas, 10 February 1938, page 1.

26 February 1878 in Sevier County, Arkansas, and died 17 November 1963 in Texarkana, Bowie County, Texas.⁵⁹

- iv. **Melissa York** was born 28 October 1877 in Yalobusha County, Mississippi, and died 29 February 1916 in Nashville, Howard County, Arkansas.⁶⁰ She married **George Givens Gallaher** 29 December 1897 in Nashville, Howard County, Arkansas.⁶¹ He was born 30 August 1873 in Nashville, Howard County, Arkansas, and died 29 March 1952 in Nashville, Arkansas.⁶²

- v. **Julia Francis York** was born 21 April 1880 in Yalobusha County, Mississippi, and died 07 February 1905 in Nashville, Howard County, Arkansas.⁶³ She married **Jordan Delaney Chesshir** 04 December 1901 in Nashville, Howard County, Arkansas.⁶⁴ He was born 19 April 1879 and died 20 October 1956 in Nashville, Arkansas.⁶⁵

- vi. **Daniel Perkins York** was born 03 March 1882 in Yalobusha County, Mississippi, and died 07 August 1939 in Nashville, Howard County, Arkansas.⁶⁶ He married **Mary Susan Murray** 17 December 1922 in Howard County, Arkansas.⁶⁷ They divorced 06 May 1924 in Nashville, Arkansas.⁶⁸

⁵⁹ Lucy Coulter York obituary, *Little River News*, Ashdown, Arkansas, 21 November 1963, page 1.

⁶⁰ Melissa Gallaher obituary, *Nashville News*, Nashville, Arkansas, 1 March 1916, page 1. Melissa York Gallaher tombstone, Center Point Cemetery, Center Point, Howard County, Arkansas, York plot. Hall, *Descendants of Nicholas Perkins of Virginia*, page 233.

⁶¹ Howard County Marriage Book E: 532, County Clerk's Office, Nashville, Arkansas.

⁶² G. G. Gallaher obituary, *Nashville News*, Nashville, Arkansas, 1 April 1952, page 1. The article has T. G. Gallaher instead of G. G. Gallaher.

⁶³ Howard County Heritage Club, *The Howard County Historical Journal*, 1974, page 95 (Center Point Cemetery).

⁶⁴ Edward Weisiger York, Sr., compiler, *Voyagers* (Ft. Smith, Arkansas: privately printed, no date), page 114. Howard County Marriage Book F: 436, County Clerk's Office, Nashville, Arkansas.

⁶⁵ Jordan D. Chesshir obituary, *Nashville News*, Nashville, Arkansas, 26 October 1956, page 1.

⁶⁶ Hall, *Descendants of Nicholas Perkins of Virginia*, page 233. Daniel York obituary, *Nashville News*, Nashville, 11 August 1939, page 1. Daniel P. York tombstone, Center Point Cemetery, Center Point, Howard County, Arkansas, York plot.

⁶⁷ Howard County Marriage Book M:524, County Clerk's Office, Nashville, Arkansas.

⁶⁸ *Sue York v Daniel York*, Howard County Chancery Court, Book E: 203-204, Circuit Clerk's Office, Nashville, Arkansas.

- vii. **Texas York** was born 13 October 1885 in Gonzales County, Texas, and died 13 June 1969 in Nashville, Howard County, Arkansas.⁶⁹ She married **Jesse Carl Gary** 02 July 1905 in Nashville, Howard County, Arkansas.⁷⁰ He was born 30 October 1882 in Nashville, Howard County, Arkansas, and died 17 March 1952 in Nashville, Arkansas.⁷¹
- viii. **Jonathan York** was born 14 October 1887 in Myrtle Point, Coos County, Oregon, and died 27 March 1889 in Myrtle Point, Coos County, Oregon.⁷²
- ix. **Marion Nicholas York** was born 29 December 1892 in Nashville, Howard County, Arkansas, and died 12 April 1956 in Hawthorne, Los Angeles County, California.⁷³ He married **Essie Octavia Tillery** 12 February 1921 in Little Rock, Pulaski County, Arkansas.⁷⁴ She was born 09 April 1892 in Saline County, Arkansas, and died 29 March 1983 in Anaheim, Los Angeles County, California.⁷⁵

⁶⁹ Hall, *Descendants of Nicholas Perkins of Virginia*, page 233. Texas Gary, death certificate, no. 009212 (1969), Arkansas Department of Health, Little Rock. Texas Gary obituary, *Nashville News*, Nashville, Arkansas, 17 June 1969, page 1. Wm. D. York household, 1900 U. S. census, Howard County, Arkansas, population schedule, County Line township, enumeration district [ED] 69, supervisor's district [SD] 5, sheet 4, page 232, dwelling 63, family 67; National Archives micropublication T623, roll 61. Texas York Gary tombstone, Center Point Cemetery, Center Point, Howard County, Arkansas, York Plot.

⁷⁰ Howard County Marriage Book G: 357, County Clerk's Office, Nashville, Arkansas.

⁷¹ J. C. Gary obituary, *Nashville News*, Nashville, Arkansas, 21 March 1952, page 1. Jesse Carl Gary tombstone, Center Point Cemetery, Center Point, Howard, Arkansas, York plot.

⁷² Edward Weisiger York, Sr., compiler, *Voyagers* (Ft. Smith, Arkansas: privately printed, no date), page 117. Hall, *Descendants of Nicholas Perkins of Virginia*, page 233. Jonathan York tombstone, Myrtle Point Cemetery (old), Myrtle Point, Coos County, Oregon, online <www.rootsweb.com/orcoos/mptcem.htm>.

⁷³ Hall, *Descendants of Nicholas Perkins of Virginia*, page 233. *California Death Index, 1940-1997*, online <www.ancestry.com>, Original electronic data: State of California, Sacramento, Department of Health Services.

⁷⁴ Pulaski County Marriage Book 82: 89, County Clerk's Office, Little Rock, Arkansas.

⁷⁵ Edward Weisiger York, Sr., compiler, *Voyagers* (Ft. Smith, Arkansas: privately printed, no date) page 117. *California Death Index, 1940-1997*, online <www.ancestry.com>, Original electronic data: State of California, Sacramento, Department of Health Services.

Ebenezer Reynolds Obituary

*Submitted by William T.(ommy) Carter, 2nd Great Grand Nephew of Mattie
M. Lawrence Reynolds*

**Obituary as it appeared in The El Dorado Eagle,
Thursday, 21 Jul 1887, Page 3, Col. 3**

Obit.-On the 13th of May, 1887, Brother Ebenezer Reynolds and wife were called upon to surrender their first born son, James Ira Reynolds, to the last enemy, Death; and on the next day the writer preached his funeral at the family residence to a large congregation of sympathizing friends. His mortal remains were laid to rest in the Graveyard, near Parker's Chapel, on the same day, which was the third Sunday in May.

The little boy had plowed all day on Monday, and on the following Saturday died of a malignant type of fever. He was born March 19th, 1876, and was eleven years and nearly three months old at the time of his death.

This was a severe shock to his parents, and the Mother, Mattie M. Reynolds, (nee Lawrence) worn with nursing and burdened with grief, surely did not then realize how soon her almost prophetic words would be fulfilled. Bending over and imprinting the last kiss of affection on the cheek which she had been wont to see flushed with health, she said, "I shall meet you in Heaven, my Darling." On the same day of the week (Sunday) just five weeks from that time, she was lain by his side to await the resurrection morn, both having died on Saturday. Her spirit had winged its flight to meet her angel boy in the home of the good. She was born September 27th, 1854, and died June 25th, 1887. A consistent member and active worker in the M. E. Church, South, from childhood, she will be greatly missed. Many were the sorrowing hearts and many the expressions of condolence from friend and neighbor. As the heartstrings were preparatory to breaking loose from earth, she said, "The Lord will provide." No doubt she was thinking of the little ones, five in number, she was so soon to leave. This was a severe affliction indeed to the surviving husband and father, but it was not all that awaited him, for three days from the burial of his wife, the body of his beloved Mother, Elizabeth Reynolds, was committed to the Earth at the same place, she having died on Tuesday, June 28th, 1887. He, at that time, was sick at home, and unable to attend the funeral. No mortal man can ever appreciate his situation till he passes through a similar experience. Overwhelmed with grief, yet spurred on by the desire to provide for his little orphan boys, he laid aside strategy in the combat with disease, thinking perhaps that his robust physique could withstand and overcome it, and

entered the struggle per force of strength to realize when too late that it was a death struggle to him. Just two weeks after the death of his Mother, and on the same day of the week (Tuesday) July 12th, 1887, he also died. He was a faithful member of the same Church with his wife, and no doubt has joined the loved ones gone before.

He was born September 4th, 1850; was married to Mattie M. Lawrence, by Rev. R. F. Crow, March 4th, 1875, and was at the time of his death thirty-six years, eight months and eight days old. He is spoken of in the community in the highest terms as a good neighbor and Christian gentleman. His home, though now made desolate by death, bears marks of his industry and thrift. I commend his five little ones to the sympathy of friends, and pray that our Heavenly Father may lead them in the right way.

John H. Gold

**Butler Center for Arkansas Studies
Genealogy Seminar**

The Butler Center for Arkansas Studies, Central Arkansas Library System will sponsor "A Menagerie of Genealogy" seminar on Saturday, July 16, 2005 from 9:00 am - 4:00 pm at the Main Library.

This is the fourth annual summer workshop for the Butler Center's Genealogy Department. Presentations will range from deciphering old handwriting to exploring the family's lineage through DNA. This year's one-day event will help focus on special problems encountered in genealogical research.

The presenters and topics include: Russell Baker, the Archival Manager at the Arkansas History Commission and State Archives who will speak on paleography, the reading and understanding of old writing. Susan Young, Outreach Coordinator at the Shiloh Museum of Ozark History in Springdale will help participants decipher the art and symbolism of old cemetery headstones. Susan Boyle will explore early immigration records and tips on navigating this sometimes complicated process. Dr. Buford Suffridge will explore the structure of DNA and how it is utilized in two principal DNA tests.

Although, the seminar is free, pre-registration is required. A catered box lunch will be provided at the cost of \$6.00 per person or participants can either bring their own lunches or choose from among the many area restaurants.

For more information, please contact: Linda McDowell, Genealogy Coordinator, The Butler Center for Arkansas Studies, Central Arkansas Library System, 100 Rock Street, Little Rock, Arkansas 72201 or Email: <mcdowell@cals.lib.ar.us>.

Calhoun County Draft Applications in 1940

Submitted by Tommy Carter

A bound volume of 1940 issues of *The Arkansas Plaindealer*, published in Calhoun County, Arkansas, was located recently. It was taken to the Arkansas History Commission to be filmed, because copies from that year had not previously been available.

In October of 1940, 233,046 men registered for compulsory military training in Arkansas. In Calhoun County, 1,093 men between the ages of 21 and 36 signed up as being eligible for the draft. Beginning in the issue of November 14th, *The Arkansas Plaindealer* began publishing the names and draft numbers of Calhoun County men who had been sent the Selective Service applications, or Questionnaires as they called them, which would be used to determine classifications and deferments.

The list of the first 480 names and numbers published follows.

<u>Order</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>Order</u>	<u>NAME</u>
1	Hutchison, Melvin	25	Sorrels, Elijah Wiley
2	Summers, Ira Enoch	26	Thompson, Clyde William
3	Benton, Wilburn Quien	27	Coston, Byron Eugene
4	Lumsey, Sam	28	Hegler, Rufus
5	Clemons, Louie Loyce	29	Harris, Melvin Carroll
6	Bryant, Lee Anderson	30	Hodnett, Henry Carroll
7	Trucks, Randolph Paul	31	Watson, James Lee
8	Gardner, Melvin Joseph	32	Porter, Willie Ray
9	Braswell, George	33	Priddy, Mike Edward
10	Stevenson, Monroe	34	Ashley, Cleo
11	Coston, Hamilton Mack	35	Collatt, Clyde Singer
12	Parker, Virgil Jackson	36	Adams, Willis Orisie
13	Ables, Glen Powell	37	Dodds, James Elmo
14	Wagon, Hugh Clyde	38	Turner, Joe Wesley
15	Lambert, Willie Lee	39	Dunn, Raymond E.
16	Clemons, Roy Edward	40	Misenheimer, Earl E.
17	Clemons, Barney Buch	41	Brewer, Clifton
18	Cook, Jethro	42	Butler, Newton Norman
19	Hall, William I.	43	Evans, Woodrow Wilson
20	Wisinger, Frank Wilson	44	Hemmitte, Vester
21	Ware, John Junior	45	Proffitt, Quinton Guinn
22	Harrison, Leonard Leon	46	Earnest, Earcle James
23	Moore, William Floyd	47	Bethea, Willard Vice
24	Cosby, John Otis	48	Gorman, Joe Willie

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49	Dew, Robert Edwards	89	Cathey, Jack Franklin
50	Avant, Blount Lester	90	Nutt, William Robert
51	Quarles, Wiliam Alfred	91	Thomason, Loyd William
52	Speer, Robert Lee	92	Momon, Henry
53	Morrison, Troy Melvin	93	Sweaza, Morris K.
54	Sweaza, Glen Edward	94	McGruder, Booker T.
55	Johnson, Archie	95	Thompson, Jepp
56	Hearnsberger, George H.	96	Livingston, Charles Roswild
57	Williams, Larkin	97	Haynes, Louie
58	Strong, Allen	98	Hunter, William Henry
59	Blann, Robert Tommie	99	Wimberley, Willard
60	Cathey, J. P.	100	Benford, Hoyle William
61	Proffitt, Collie Augusta	101	Karriker, John Wesley
62	Ware, Jessie	102	Oliver, Kirby Hogan
63	McDuffie, J. D.	103	Clay, George Robinson
64	Ware, Harrison	104	Galbeath, Sonie
65	Jones, Floyd Osbourne	105	Lucas, Ray Willis
66	Jones, Richard Leonard	106	Drummond, Nunley Aaron
67	Whittington, Robert E. Lee	107	Stephens, Frank Ed
68	Watson, Brady Ross	108	Oliver, Virgil Newton
69	Reddin, William Bruce	109	Thomason, Curtis Lee
70	Wright, James Clifton	110	Honea, Elmer B.
71	Harrell, Charles Hillman	111	Bryant, Victor Irvin
72	Parker, Henry Lee	112	Strickland, Riley James
73	Davis, James Earle	113	Jacobs, Clark
74	Junior, Roy	114	Johnson, Odell
75	Cone, James Elmer	115	McLendon, Horace
76	Rhinehart, Willie Martin	116	Hollis, Robert Jerry
77	Jones, John Frank	117	Ward, Earl
78	Wagon, William Brady	118	Williams, Lawrence Paul
79	Files, Watt Russell	119	Gardner, William Tom
80	Gray, William Sidney	120	Mauldin, Woodrow Wilson
81	Parker, Elmer Lee	121	Dismute, Johnnie
82	Lindsey, Otis Earl	122	Thompson, Ellie Hue
83	Turner, Herman Bowen	123	Porter, Arthur Jack
84	Higgs, Herman Hudson	124	Simmermacher, Wm. Lloyd
85	Dumas, Frank	125	New, Leonard Bernice
86	Wilson, Edmund Hutson	126	Matthews, Hermen
87	Ferrell, Thomas Lilbon Jr.	127	Ross, Sam
88	Hopkins, Richard Lewis		

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128	Thrower, Jedge Allen	168	Cook, Irvin William
129	Turner, Ray	169	Chambliss, Fred
130	Morris, Charles David	170	Gilbert, Floyd Jasper
131	Martin, Leroy Taylor	171	Gilbert, Leroy
132	Dorey, William Frank	172	Stevenson, Ovee
133	Sloan, Brodie	173	Wooten, Lester Sylvester
134	Ashbrook, Hays	174	Parker, Ellis Allen
135	Tate, Aron	175	Clemons, Hurshel David
136	Priddy, Burl Richard	176	James, Earnest
137	Wagnon, Ray Lavern	177	Douglas, Thomas Ralph
138	Barnes, Jewell	178	Roper, Joseph
139	Ross, Clyde Taylor	179	Dunn, Alfred
140	Johnson, Otto James	180	Dunn, Cecil Waters
141	Blann, Leroy	181	Bowen, Virgil Lee
142	Sindle, Waylon Earl	182	Newton, Jack
143	Evans, Herman Ray	183	Jones, Robert Douglas
144	Hollis, Doyle Mitchell	184	Thrower, Coby
145	Simpson, Trowsey Lee	185	Clemons, Earl Burris
146	Dunn, Fred Marlin	186	Hegler, Franklin
147	Stratton, Hampton David	187	Bunn, Nelson Rufus
148	Bass, Sam Joseph	188	Rayborn, William Floyd
149	James, Bvron Hale	189	Bradshaw, Willie Vernist
150	Heard, Earl D.	190	Oliver, Charlie Allen
151	Beasley, Kenith Ray	191	Witherington, Lush Asbury
152	Brasfield, Lyle Earle Jr.	192	Cole, Agee
153	Blann, Grady Lee	193	Files, William Ira
154	Curb, H. T.	194	Kincy, Eugene Willie
155	Williams, Robert Lee	195	Bowen, James William
156	Gorman, Marvin B.	196	Ethridge, Gene Walkie
157	Jackson, Daniel	197	Allen, Jessie Spear
158	Cone, John Harold	198	Callaway, Agee Gideon
159	Guy, Earl Harrie	199	Cottrell, Nelson David
160	Cole, Louie	200	Russell, David Wesley
161	Oliver, Floyd	201	Johnson, Nathan
162	Drummond, Lexie	202	Bradley, Hempstead
163	Williams, Homer Edward	203	Newton, Jesse Marion
164	Wilson, Teddie Sherman	204	Hornaday, James Dean
165	Clemons, William Franklin	205	Nowlin, Grady Steard
166	Howard, James Madison	206	Moore, Bill
167	Tate, Henry Clatten	207	Bush, Johnnie

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208	Stringfellow, Vander C. Jr.	248	Dunn, Claude Jackson
209	Mitchell, Thomas Virgle	249	Ables, Louie Vernon
210	Haynes, Edward	250	Momon, Robert
211	Evans, Stewart Byrd	251	Nowlin, Cecil William
212	Sessions, Luther Irvin	252	Hutcheson, George Taylor
213	Ricks, Wilkie Jackson	253	Williams, Lee Roy
214	Todd, Joel Arthur	254	Nutt, Roy Walter
215	Loveless, Paskell Johnny	255	Reynolds, Taft O'Neill
216	Porter, John Gurley	256	Finks, Earnest
217	Mulligan, Colonel Howard	257	Haynes, Elzie Virgil
218	Gray, George Travis Jr.	258	Ables, Johnny Amos
219	Roshell, Price Edward	259	Thomason, Charlie Noel
220	Gibson, Eldrick	260	Duncan, Clarence Moody
221	Witherington, Tracy E.	261	Nutt, Buford
222	Owens, Refus	262	Harris, Jack
223	Hegler, Houston	263	Phillips, Jack Henderson
224	Rogers, Willie Durhan	264	Strickland, George Jessie (In service)
225	Henderson, _rvin Madison	265	Parker, Clarence Runnon
226	Cross, __mmie	266	Rutherford, Godfrey
227	Ivy, _arkin George	267	Ables, Henry Louis
228	Trotter, Carroll Eugene	268	Howe, Carson
229	Mauldin, James Ellison	269	Silgton, Lessie
230	Good, Lloyd Raymond	270	Edington, Haywood
231	McRae, Morris	271	Harrell, Olyn William
232	Sanders, __thur Anderson	272	Bunn, Carl De
233	Wright, Richard	273	Wagnon, Lewie Earl
234	Tomlinson, A. G.	274	Inzer, Robert Lawrence
235	Counts, Clem C.	275	Strickland, Walter Franklin
236	Cooper, Frank	276	Holder, Gilbert Henry
237	Moore, _are Biddie	277	Nance, Marvin Eugene
238	McKinnie, William Walter	278	Gardner, Grady Weldon
239	Gray, Ray Hubert	279	Thomason, Cornelius Oscar
240	King, John Raymond	280	Childs, Vance
241	Reddin, James Taylor	281	Smith, George Calvin
242	Johnston, Fred	282	Perceful, Everett Deward
243	Tomlinson, Enoch Ed	283	Colvert, Howell John
244	Jones, Enoch Taylor	284	Paulman, John Boyce
245	Bowen, Joseph Chester	285	Davidson, Johnnie Lee
246	Thomas, Henry Lee	286	Wisinger, Guy Enoch
247	O'Mary, William T.		

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287	Blann, Larkin	327	McKinnie, Hays
288	Ethridge, Cargile Peter	328	Strong, Carlton
289	Oliver, Charlie Lois	329	Ferrell, Nathaniel
290	Williams, Harvey	330	Baker, Charlie William
291	Cook, Albert	331	Brown, Will
292	Wilson, Samuel Thomas	332	Williams, Charlie Luther
293	Johnson, Jesse	333	Cathey, Darrell Jefferson
294	Deloney, Marcellous	334	Wilkerson, Thomas Calvin
295	Moore, Dale	335	Martindale, Herbert
296	Lunt, Dave	336	Hollis, Larkin Aubrey
297	Parker, Houston Hamilton	337	Karriker, William James
298	Nutt, Curtis	338	Dunn, Walter Coulter
299	Koonce, William Everett	339	Crutchfield, Martin H.
300	Purifoy, Irvin Ruth	340	Beasley, Marion Jackson
301	Matthews, Al Wilson	341	Morrison, Edward Thomas
302	Roper, Charlie	342	Clay, Frank Ryx
303	Benford, Lester	343	Broach, Reo Rural
304	Harrell, Marcus Edgar	344	Matlock, Hosie
305	Burroughs, Jack Lincoln	345	Gorman, Earl Frank
306	Speer, James Edward	346	Biggers, William Angus
307	Tate, Lugene	347	Barfeld, Ben
308	Parker, Jessie Lee	348	No one listed with/for 348
309	Preston, Obie Die	349	Williams, John D.
310	Weeks, Thomas Herman	350	Nelson, Calvin Ples
311	Watson, Herman Boriece	351	Paulman, Francis Raymond
312	Reddin, Robert Jefferson	352	Nettles, Ray
313	Webb, Travis Eugene	353	Blaylock, J. D.
314	Reddin, Clarence Elmer	354	Scott, John Frank
315	Dunn, James Arnold	355	Avant, Macon Thomas
316	Furr, Bueil Hollis	356	Coston, Claud Austin
317	Goodwin, _ent Hill	357	Thomason, Noland Travis
318	Parker, John Anderson	358	Cooper, Richard Wade
319	Blann, _loyd Wesley	359	Burr, Elmer Alexander
320	Jones, _uby	360	Ware, Mose Aaron Jr.
321	Ross, Grady	361	Burke, Wiliam Elijah
322	Davis, Elihue	362	Tatam, Ernest Adolphus
323	Moore, Enoch	363	Rayford, Arthur
324	Thomason, Brady Franklin	364	Juniel, Eugene
325	Steelman, James Irvin	365	Nobles, H. Arthur
326	Hannegan, Leonard Hilton	366	Jones, Audrey Plus

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367	Gardner, Henry Lee	407	Oliver, George Irvin
368	Madera, Tracy Franklin	408	Martin, Edgar Allen
369	Nowlin, Clarence John	409	McRae, Jethro T.
370	Paulman, T. W.	410	Martin, Carl
371	Oliver, Jeptha Clive	411	Steelman, Jewell Irvin
372	Lawson, George Wilson	412	Laws, Teddy Clarence
373	Coleman, Henry	413	Brunston, Joseph
374	Emerson, John Richard	414	Spry, Allen James
375	Stringfellow, Weldon B.	415	Alison, Vander
376	Wallace, Luther Terroll	416	Sessions, Johnny
377	Hatridge, Boyd Stell	417	Walton, Louie
378	Rawls, Joe Allen	418	Hamaker, Alford
379	Beasley, Eddie Aberham	419	Dunn, Raymond Rufus
380	Buck, Robert Edward	420	Nonnis, Opie
381	Nutt, Robert Thomas	421	Alison, Ulas
382	Bass, James Kenneth	422	Johnson, Hillard Mitchell
383	Oliver, William Boyd	423	Evans, William Hoy
384	Earnest, William Hermond	424	Barrett, Jimmie
385	Madera, Lance Taylor	425	Higgs, Aubrey Labras
386	Nettles, Robert Graham	426	Wilson, Idus
387	Newton, William Floyd	427	Montgomery, Mose J.
388	Walter, Dennis	428	Johnson, Roosevelt
389	Harris, Haywood	429	Cone, Victor Ward
390	Ables, Ray Randolph	430	Pierce, W. R.
391	Wilson, Jess Dilworth	431	Martin, Frank
392	Burns, Wilson	432	Thornton, Dallas Asberry
393	Merritt, Brooks Levell	433	Hopper, David Crockett
394	Hatridge, Golden Ray	434	Reddin, George Audis
395	Arnold, Bennie Boyd	435	Mauldin, Cleece Fuller
396	Pierce, Mack McKinnie	436	Galbert, Willie
397	Dorey, Robert Melvin	437	Cook, James Monroe
398	Early, Homer	438	Preston, Jess
399	Evans, Edd Hershel	439	Jones, Gervis Louis
400	Crosby, Kelly	440	Jones, James Murray
401	Brown, Acqua B.	441	Webb, William
402	Morrison, Vester	442	Watson, Lamar Ray
403	Harris, James Earman	443	Rose, Odis
404	Nutt, Willfred Irwin	444	Reddin, Steward
405	Montgomery, Judge	445	Bowen, Joe Rufus
406	Harrell, Russell Fay	446	Henderson, Lonnie

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447	Tomlinson, Travis Bradford
448	Wagnon, Thomas Earl
449	Steelman, Otis Wilson
450	Stokes, Carroll Adam
451	Brumley, Thomas Wilmer
452	Reddin, Otis Hall
453	White, Charlie
454	Taylor, Ellis Waymon
455	James, Melvin Monterey
456	Nettles, John Murry
457	Morrison, William Henry
458	Hall, Percy Larkin
459	Malone, Asa
460	Martin, Roy Wilson
461	Cordell, Chester Allen
462	Nutt, J. O.
463	Bounds, Marvin Quince
464	Childs, George
465	Grisham, Owen Lamar
466	Morrison, Artie Whitney
467	Loveless, John Curtis
468	Walter, Audrey
469	Hornaday, Elvar Edward
470	Bunn, Walter James
471	Davis, Sam Jefferson
472	Coston, Elzie Ellsworth
473	McRae, Trossie
474	Harrell, Waddie
475	Curtis, Johnny Earl
476	Reddin, Abner Roulon
477	Green, Willie
478	Bunn, O. B.
479	Oliver, Walter Enic
480	Miller, Thomas Olin

David Barkley Cumming: His Life and Family

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Recently while researching a story about Bethlehem Church in Washington County, Arkansas, I came across a name that intrigued me. I don't know why it did, but I set out to find out more about this man of God. A considerable amount of information came from his great great-grandson and the records of the Methodist Indian Conference of Oklahoma. This man's name was David Barkley Cumming, and he was the ninth son of Andrew and Jane Paxton Cumming. His father was a veteran of the Revolutionary War under Captain Steel. His mother was a first cousin to Elizabeth Paxton who was the mother of Sam Houston. David was born 3 June 1796 in Mercersburg, Franklin County, Pennsylvania. The family moved first to Rockbridge County, Virginia, and then on to Blount County, Tennessee. Although his parents were staunch Presbyterians, six of their sons became Methodist ministers and were educated at Maryville College. In February 1818 David Cumming was converted. In 1819 he was licensed to preach by James Axley, Presiding Elder, and was employed by him to travel with Jesse Green on the Powells Valley Circuit. In 1820 David was received into the traveling convention, and in 1823 he was received into full connection and was ordained a deacon by Bishop George at Huntsville, Alabama. He was sent to the Tellico Circuit in Holston Conference and traveled the bounds of that conference until 1834 when he became an agent for the American Bible Society.

David married his first wife Caroline Lowry in 1825. She was the daughter of Colonel James Lowry who rode the circuit in 1801 and 1802 with Bishop Asbury. James Lowry was also the half brother of Governor David I. Swain of North Carolina. David and Caroline Cumming had four children before she died. He married his second wife Margaret Wear in 1835, and they had four children before she died in 1844.

David's parents died in Blount County, Tennessee, and were buried in the churchyard at Shiloh Chapel.

In 1834 David was sent to the bounds of the Holston and the Indian works, where he traveled for five years. So that he might look after the interests of the Cherokee Methodists, he was chosen by prominent members of the conference to follow the Cherokees to Arkansas in 1838. Bishop Andrew transferred him to the Arkansas Conference.

When David came to Arkansas, the Alabama Conference requested that the federal Government give him land to make his home on, and he

received two hundred acres in McDonald County, Missouri. David was seldom home to enjoy his land as he spent the major part of his life on the circuit preaching the gospel.

You might think that this man had it made. After all he was a second cousin of Sam Houston and a son-in-law of Colonel Lowry. He had ridden the circuit in Tennessee, Kentucky, Virginia, North and South Carolina, Georgia, and Alabama; but he remained humble and, at forty-two years of age, his greatest work lay ahead.

David Cumming was a kind man, loved by all. He was six foot, four inches tall and carried an eight-pound pulpit Bible. He came to Arkansas and worked tirelessly with Rev. John Harrell at Salem Springs Methodist campground. It was clear that these men had a unique agenda: not to kill the Indians, but to save them, so all men, white and red, could live in peace.

David was trustee for the Bethlehem Methodist Episcopal Church South from 1841-1844. Bishop Thomas A. Morris was in charge of organizing the Indian mission conference. It first met and was formed at Riley's Chapel, near Talaquah, 23 October 1844. The charter members were Thomas Ruble, David B. Cumming, J. C. Berryman, Edward Peery, N. M. Talbot, W. H. Goode, Johnson Fields, Thomas Bertholf, James Essex, Samuel Patterson, John Steel, Erastus Duncan, Isaac Collins, William McIntosh, Learner Statler, William Oakchiah, and John Foote. David was elected superintendent of religious activities. He served as missionary to all tribes and had great success. Even though he spoke no Indian language and had to use an interpreter he successfully won over many souls. He was especially successful with the Senecas and Wyandottes. He served as presiding elder of the Choctaws, Cherokees, and Creeks. In 1862 he went as far as Bonham, Texas, preaching the gospel to the Indians.

In 1845, David married his third wife Francis B. Webster in Fayetteville, Arkansas, and they had eight children. Reverend Cumming rode the circuits of Indian Territory for some forty years. In 1871 he went back to the Bethlehem Church to conduct the funeral for the wife of his old friend Ira Williams.

David Cumming was affectionately called the father of the Indian Conference, as he was the only one living in 1872 that had been there at the founding of the conference. David suffered a stroke while walking in his yard, fell and broke his hip, and was partially paralyzed. While he was sick some Indians came and camped out in his front yard, lovingly calling him the great white father. At an annual conference he was carried in and was greeted with great joy by the natives who crowded around him with tears streaming down their cheeks, thanking God that they were permitted to see their spiritual father once more in the flesh.

On August 25, 1880, Reverend David B. Cumming died at Tiff City, Missouri. There is no marble marker upon his final resting place, but the work he had accomplished remains a great testament to his life.

David B. Cumming Family Bible Record

David B. Cumming	3 June 1796 - 25 August 1880
Caroline Lowry	3 November 1805 - 18 May 1832
Margaret Wear	4 April 1813 - 14 June 1844
Francis B. Webster	14 December 1817 - 26 August 1874
James A. Cumming	23 November 1826
Jane E. Cumming	17 January 1828
Harriett Cumming	19 August 1829
Rev. Jesse Cumming	29 March 1831 - 12 May 1864 in Civil War
Pleasant Wear Harvey Cumming	16 August 1838 Col. in Civil War
Mary Caroline Cumming	27 September 1839 - 22 February 1846, buried Ark.
Helen Cumming	26 April 1841
Diana C. Cumming	29 August 1842 - 14 December 1877
David Lowry Cumming	8 March 1846 - 2 May 1863 Little Rock, Ark.
William Taylor Cumming	15 July 1847 - 18 January 1877
Margaret and Mary Cumming	3 February 1849 (twins)
Caroline Cumming	17 November 1850, Ark. - 12 December 1888, Kansas
Thomas Paxton Cumming	6 July 1853
Anna Eliza Cumming	14 July 1855
Fannie Scott Cumming	19 July 1858

Widows of Methodist Ministers

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Ed. Note: This list of widows can be found on page 47 of the 1925 Journal of the North Arkansas Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. Other information of genealogical interest, such as burial places, photographs, and obituaries or memoirs of preachers and preachers' wives can be found in these annual church records.

The Arkansas History Commission in Little Rock has microfilmed copies of the annual conference records of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, including the Arkansas Conference (1878-1913), the White River Conference (1883-1913), and the North Arkansas Conference (1914-1960). The old "Arkansas Conference" and the "White River Conference" were united in 1914 to form the "North Arkansas Conference."

Besides these records, the History Commission holds many other types of church records that may be of interest to researchers.

Name of widow	Year Became a Widow	Years of Service for her Husband
Mrs. Margarette Shaffer, Oakland, Calif.	1884	16
Mrs. M. C. Dickens, Red Boiling Springs, Tenn.	1885	10
Mrs. E. M. Baker, Searcy	1891	33
Mrs. S. M. Patton, Searcy	1895	16
Mrs. D. W. Reed, Conway	1895	20
Mrs. J. B. Williams, Yellville	----	--
Mrs. W. H. Batten, St. Louis, Mo.	1897	14
Mrs. W. H. Burns, Ozark	1897	17
Mrs. P. B. Hopkins, Morrow	1900	15
Mrs. Pierce Merrill, Conway	1901	10
Mrs. Frank Ritter, Santa Anna, Calif.	1902	15
Mrs. F. R. Noe, Ex. Natl Bank, Little Rock	1906	23
Mrs. Geo. W. Hill, Conway	1904	23
Mrs. P. B. Wallis, Searcy	----	22
Mrs. H. B. Cox, Lonoke	1908	12

Name of widow	Year Became a Widow	Years of Service for her Husband
Eliza Edwards, Ravenden Springs	1910	6
Mrs. C. H. Gregory, Savannah, Ga.	1911	24
Mrs. W. N. Watson, Paragould	1912	31
Mrs. C. M. Morris, Jonesboro	----	8
Mrs. I. L. Burrow, Altus	1913	40
Mrs. J. D. Ruthledge, Blytheville	1914	26
Mrs. J. W. House, Conway	1914	10
Mrs. T. B. Williamson, Marmaduke	1915	14
Mrs. W. T. Locke, Dumas	1915	30
Mrs. J. C. Shipp, Pottsville	1915	14
Mrs. Z. W. Lindsey, Waco, Texas	1918	29
Mrs. Alex Mathis, Surgemsville, Tenn.	1919	--
Mrs. Ella P. Hill, Walnut Ridge	1920	34
Mrs. Jno. S. Watson, Thayer, Mo.	1921	38
Mrs. G. B. Griffin, Conway	1921	18
Mrs. R. M. Traylor, Bentonville	1922	28
Mrs. E. M. Kelsey, Conway	1922	11
Mrs. Ida Southard, Fort Smith	1922	4
Mrs. Frances B. Smith, Minden, La.	1922	4
Mrs. Y. A. Gilmore, Conway	1923	29
Mrs. J. H. O'Bryant, Conway	1923	32
Mrs. E. S. Harris, Paris, Tenn.	1923	20
Mrs. G. L. Horton, Belleville	1924	12
Mrs. H. E. May, Paragould	1924	28
Mrs. J. E. Buchanan, Paragould	1924	16
Mrs. W. H. Dyer, Fort Smith	1924	17
Mrs. J. E. Woodruff, Fort Smith, c-o Co. Hospital	1925	11

JOHN PHILLIP AND MARY SCHLICHT ATON BIBLE

Submitted by Rita Anderson

John Phillip and Mary Alice (Schlicht) Aton came to Arkansas about 1912 and settled in White County, in a farming community southeast of Searcy.

John Phillip was born 3 May 1868 in Waverly, Union County, Kentucky,¹ the son of George Washington and Priscilla (Simons) Aton.² John Phillip was the fourth of nine children born to George and Priscilla. He followed in his father's footsteps and was a blacksmith by occupation. He also farmed after he came to Arkansas. John Phillip and Mary Alice Schlicht married 17 August 1897 in Henderson, Henderson County, Kentucky.³ At that time John Phillip lived in Lowes, Graves County, Kentucky, and Mary Alice lived in Waverly. They became the parents of four children.

Mary Alice Schlicht was born 19 June 1869 in Union County, Kentucky, the daughter of Christian and Martha A. (Griggs) Schlicht.⁴ Christian was a wagon maker and blacksmith, born in Prussia (Germany) 24 December 1834. The Griggs family had been in Kentucky prior to 1816.⁵

MARRIAGE CERTIFICATE

This Certifies that the rite of
Holy Matrimony
was celebrated between

J. P. Aton of Lowes, KY

And Miss Mary A. Schlicht of Waverly, KY

On the 17 Day of August 1897 at Henderson, KY

By G. W. Smith

Witness: G. N. Kellan & Lizzie Schlicht

J. H. Hart, Clerk L. W. Powell, DC.

¹Henderson County Marriage Book 27:285, County Clerk's Office, Henderson Kentucky.

²George Aton household, 1870 U.S. census, Union County, Kentucky, population schedule, Wallers Precinct, Hitesville P.O., p. 442B, dwelling 140, family 140; National Archives micropublication M593, roll 501.

³Henderson County Marriage Book 27:285-286, County Clerk's Office, Henderson, Kentucky.

⁴Christian Schlicht household, 1870 U.S. census, Union County, Kentucky, population schedule, Wallers Precinct, Hitesville P.O., page 422A, dwelling 132, family 132; National Archives micropublication M593, roll 501.

⁵Clark County Deed Book 12:504-505, County Clerk's Office, Winchester, Kentucky.

BIRTHS

Christain Schlicht
he was born December the 24 1834

Martha A Schlicht
was born August the 2 1837

Mary A Schlicht
was born June the 19 1869

Lizzie D Schlicht
was born March the 16 1871

Joseph M Schlicht
he was born May the 6 1873

Mary A Griggs
was born June the 28 1811

Stith N Gibbs he
was born Augut the 2 1852

Martha P. Aton
was Born July 12 1898

Joseph David Aton
was Borneo Aug 1 1900

Christian Schlicht Aton
was Borneo Nov 16 1902

J. P. Aton Jr.
was Borneo July 16 1907

Mary John Borup Bornd
October the 7 1902

Mrion Richard Hale
Born Jan the 25 1921

James Arthur Hale
born Nov the 24 1922

John Keneth Hale
born No the 28 1926
Clarence Hersell Hale
born July the 18 1930

MARRIAGES

Christian Schlicht
Martha Schlicht
was married September the 17 1867

J. P. Aton
M. A. Aton
was married Aug. 17, 1897

Christian Schlicht
Arene Schlicht
Nov 21 1901

Christain S Aton
Margerete Urlale
married Jn the 9 1931

Charles Borup
Lizzie Borup
was married Oct 9 1900

James K. Hale
Martha P. Aton
Was married Jan the 17 1920

Joseph D. Aton
Ana Franklin
married Sep the 26 1926

Phylis Viola Aton
born Apr the 6 1934
Loyd Phillip Aton
Born Sept 24 1939

James Arthur Hale
Ethelyn McDoniel
Aug 2, 1946

John Kenneth Hale
LaVerne Sevedge
Jan. 10, 1948

DEATHS

Joseph M Schlicht
he was born May the 6 1873
and died April the 21 1876

Martha A Schlicht
Died Febuary the 6 1891
at the Age 53 years

Mary A Griggs
Died March the 10
1888 77 years 38 days, & 3 months

Stith N Gibbs
Died August the 16 1890 Age 42 years

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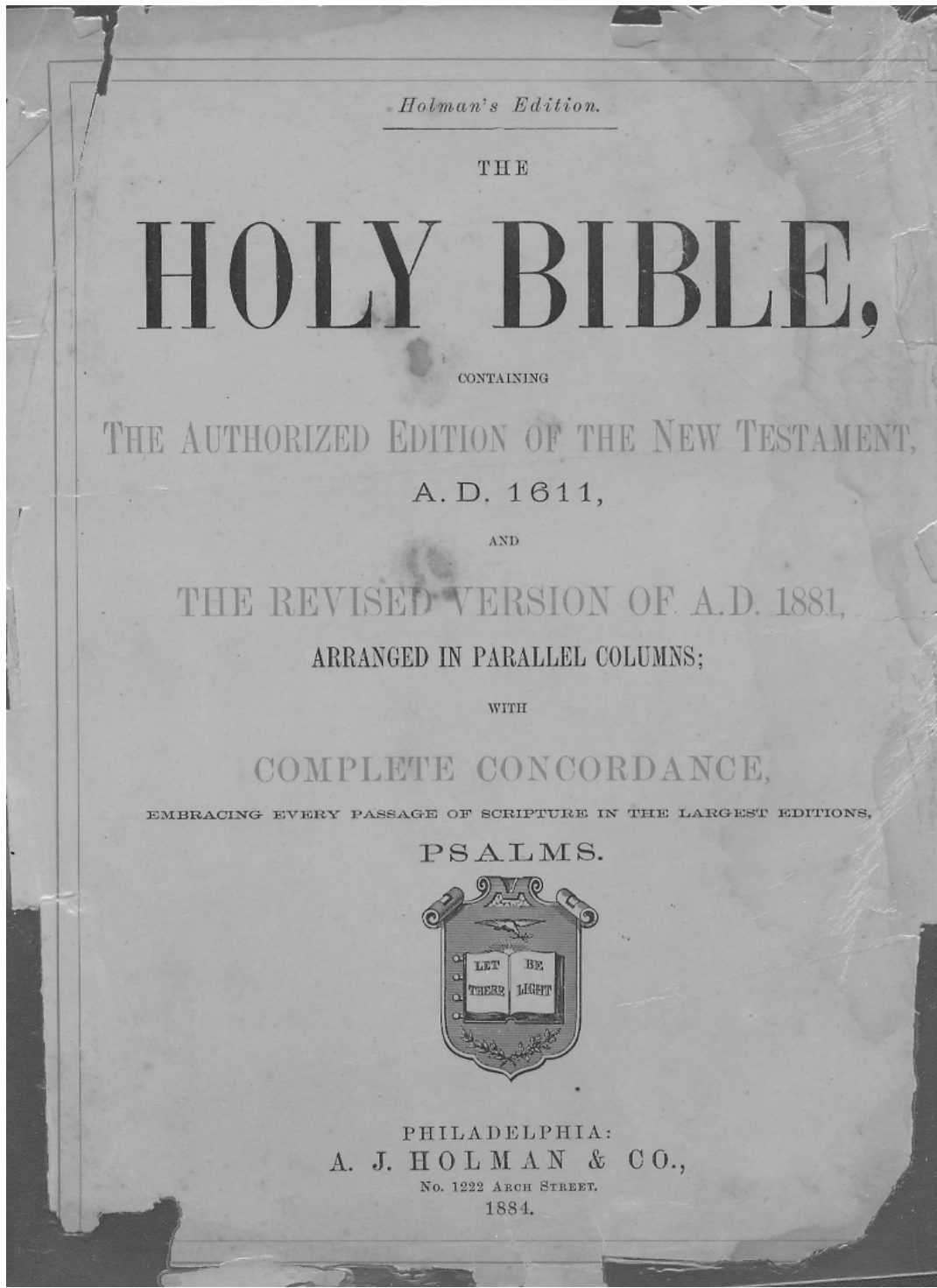
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Died June the 22 1919
Age 11 years 11 months & 6 days

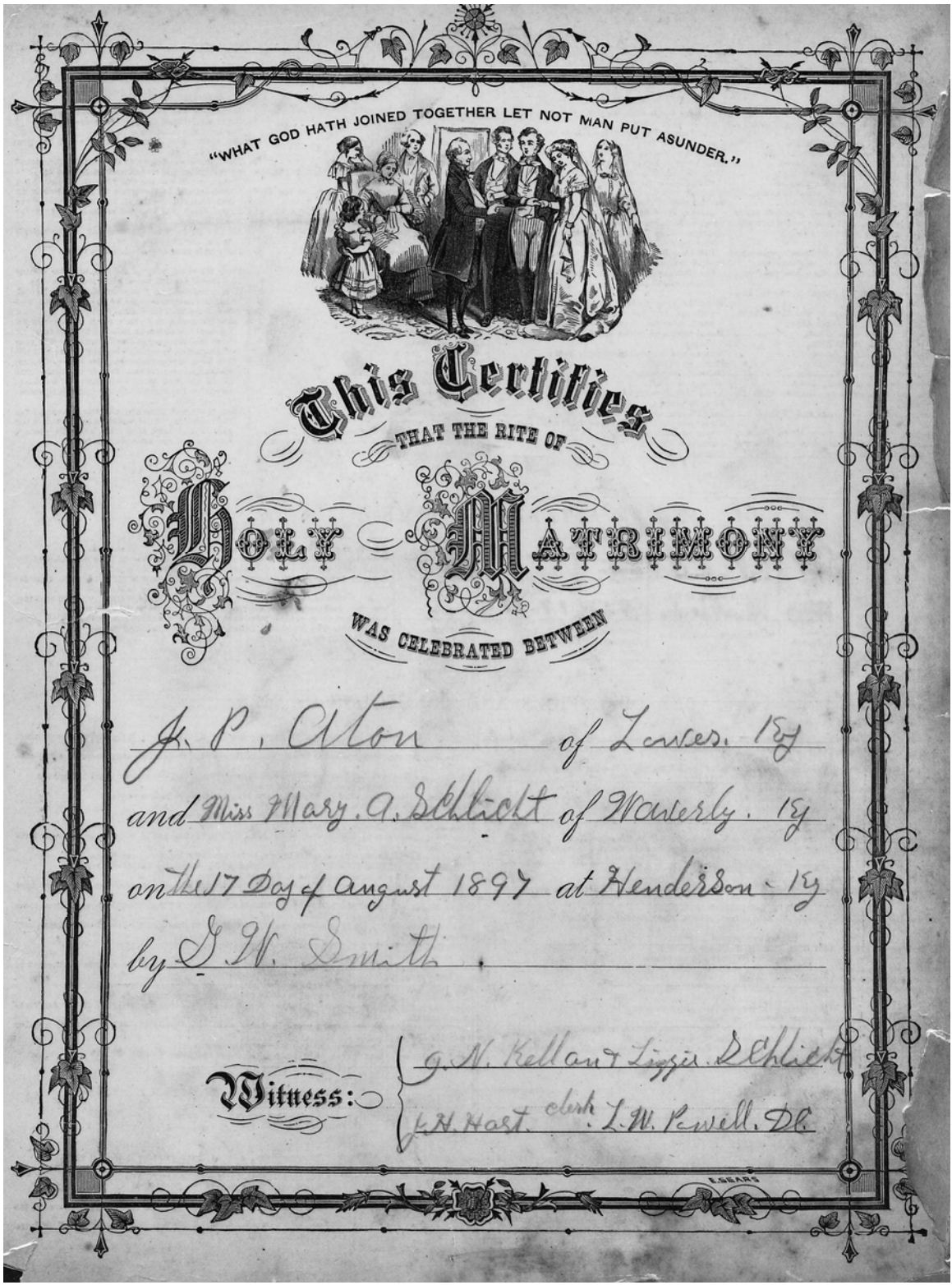
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Died Jan the 22 1936 Age 66 years

John P. Aton Age 77
Died Sept. 12 1945

Charlie Borup
Died June 18, 1939

Martha P. Aton Hale
Died Jan 21, 1946





"WHAT GOD HATH JOINED TOGETHER LET NOT MAN PUT ASUNDER."



This Certifies

THAT THE RITE OF

HOLY MATRIMONY

WAS CELEBRATED BETWEEN

J. P. Atton of Lanes, 18y
 and Miss Mary A. Schlicht of Waterly, 18y
 on the 17 Day of August 1897 at Henderson - 18y
 by J. W. Smith.

Witness: { J. M. Kellam & Lizzie Schlicht
 L. H. Hart clerk L. W. Powell. D. C.

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Stith N Gibbs he was born August the 2 1852	James Arthur Hale born Nov 27 1922
	John Kenneth Hale born No- ^{the} 28 1926
	Clarence Hersell Hale born July ^{the} 18 1930

Marriages

Christain Schlicht Martha Schlicht was married September the 17 / 1867	Christain Schlicht Arens Schlicht Nov 21 1901
J. P. Aton M. A. Aton Was Married Aug. 17. 1897	Christain J. Aton Margerete Helke married June 1931
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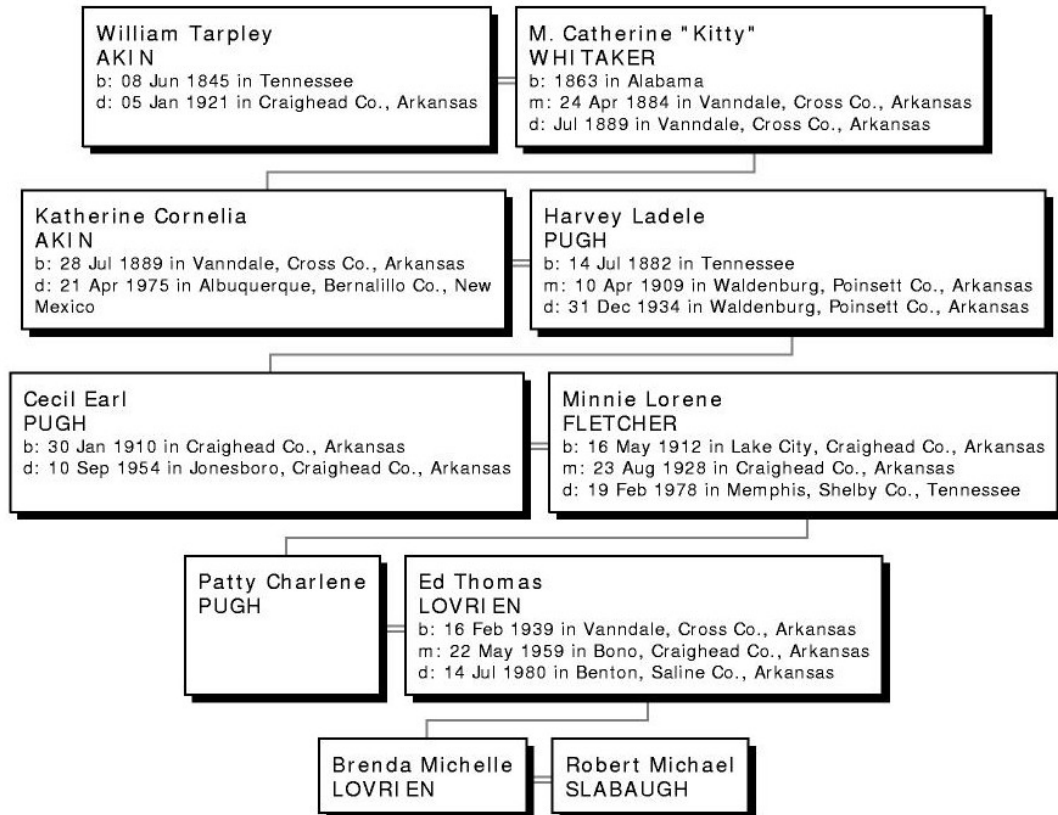
Martha P. Tom Hale
Died Jan 21 - 1946

Arkansas Ancestry Certificates

Antebellum Arkansas Ancestry Certificate for Michelle Lovrien Slabaugh through William Tarpley Akin

*Submitted by Michelle Lovrien Slabaugh
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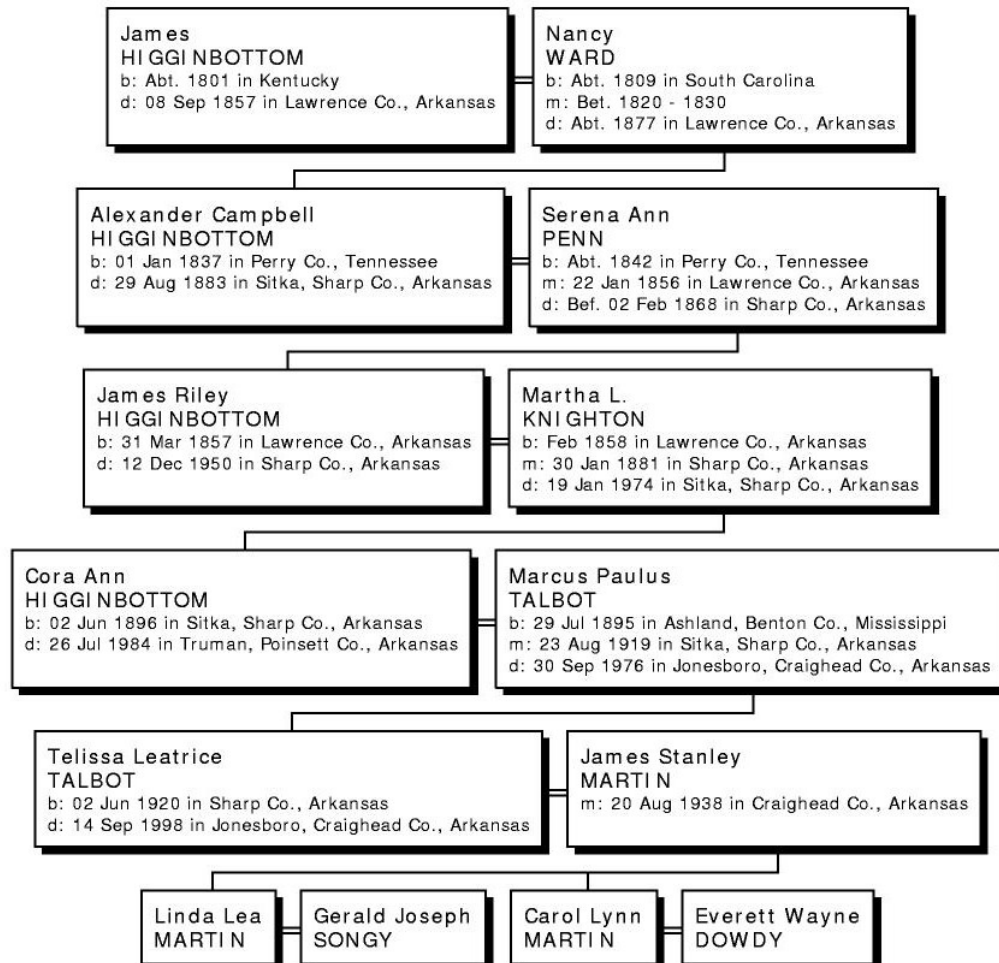
Michelle Lovrien Slabaugh received a Certificate of Arkansas Ancestry for the antebellum period based on documentation submitted for the following lineage. The antebellum ancestor was William Tarpley Akin. William Akin appears in the 1860 Prairie County Census.



**Antebellum Arkansas Ancestry Certificate
for Linda Lea Martin Songy
and Carol Lynn Martin Dowdy
through James Higginbottom**

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Mandeville, LA 70448 Jonesboro, AR 72401
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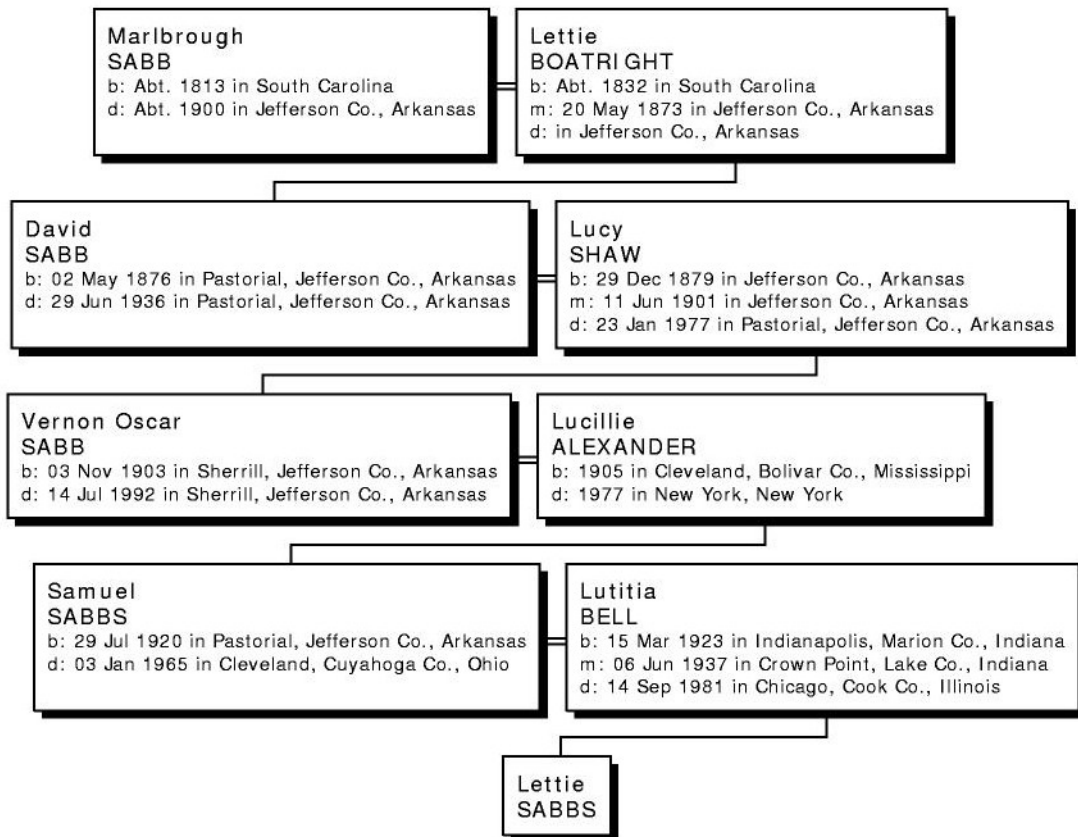
Linda Lea Martin Songy and Carol Lynn Martin Dowdy received Certificates of Arkansas Ancestry for the antebellum period based on the documentation submitted for the following lineage. The antebellum ancestor was James Higginbottom who appears in the 1850 Lawrence County Census.



**Antebellum Arkansas Ancestry Certificate
through Marlborough Sabb
and Nineteenth Century Ancestry Certificate
through Lucy Shaw
for Lettie M. Sabbs**

*Submitted by Lettie M. Sabbs
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Lettie M. Sabbs received Certificates of Arkansas Ancestry for the antebellum period through Marlborough Sabb who appears in the 1860 Jefferson County Slave Census and for the nineteenth century through Lucy Shaw who appears in the 1880 Jefferson County Census.



Sherry Irvine
Fall Conference Speaker
October 22, 2005
Holiday Inn-Airport

Sherry Irvine, B.A., MSc., CGRS, FSA (Scot), is a lecturer, teacher and writer specializing in family history research in the British Isles. She has lectured at conferences and workshops across North America, New Zealand and Australia, and was one of the keynote speakers at the Australasian Congress in Melbourne, April 2003.

For Sherry, genealogy began as a hobby when her children were small. Shortly after moving to Victoria, British Columbia, in 1978, Sherry became involved in the local genealogical society. Before long, the society library was being kept in her basement.

The chance to teach genealogy came along in 1984, through the adult education program at a local college. In the process of preparing to teach, Sherry generated lots of notes, and the next logical step was to submit an article for publication. As her children grew up, Sherry realized that her love of genealogy was turning into a full-time occupation.

Since 1997 she has been a faculty member of the Institute of Genealogy and Historical Research at Samford University in Birmingham, AL, where she coordinates and presents courses on England and Scotland, and leads summer study tours. She teaches an advanced level research strategy course for the International Society for British Genealogy and Family History in Salt Lake City. Her online courses in English and Irish research are available through MyFamily.com.



Sherry was recognized by the National Genealogical Society for her book, *Your Scottish Ancestry* (Ancestry, 1997) and given the Society's Award of Excellence (Methods and Sources). She is also the author of *Your English Ancestry* (Ancestry, 2nd ed. 1998). Another book *Going to Ireland: A Genealogical Researcher's Guide* (Trafford, 1998) was the result of Sherry's collaboration with fellow genealogist Nora Hickey. Sherry's articles appear regularly in several publications, including Ancestry Daily News.

Sherry belongs to many genealogical societies. She served as president of the Victoria Genealogical Society and is on the board of the International Society for British Genealogy and Family History. She has also served on the board of the Association of Professional Genealogists since 1997 and is immediate past president. She resides in Courtenay, British Columbia.

Sherry's English ancestors are like old friends. They were vivid characters in her grandmother's stories, all the more real because Sherry's father had a two year stint in England and the family visited ancestral places. Her roots are in Cumberland, Yorkshire, Lancashire, Cornwall, Dorset, Essex, Middlesex, and London.

For more information see insert flyer in this issue or go to agsgenealogy.org

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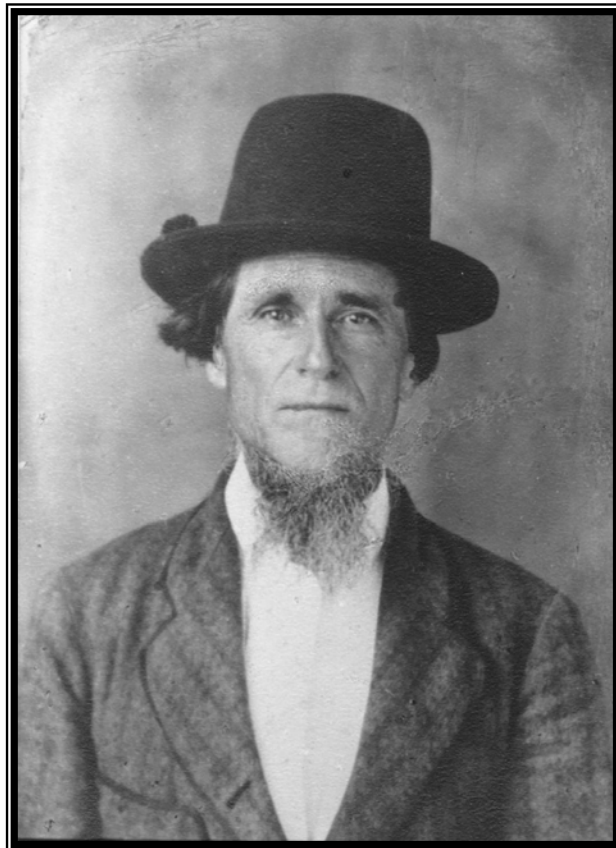
Whitney McLaughlin searches the flea markets, antique stores and yard sales to find photographs of Arkansas families. The sad and lonely photos are in need of a home. This is not a profitable venture, and she only asks payment for what the photograph cost her. Now, she has volunteered to publish these photographs so someone might claim their ancestors. Contact Whitney for information concerning this photograph.

WILLIAM M. FREEMAN

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This photograph was found in an antique shop in North Little Rock. It is presumed to be of William M. Freeman because of the typewritten note attached to the inside of the photography studio jacket. The note is as follows:

William M. Freeman, born in Alabama May 22, 1821. Moved soon thereafter with his parents to Macon, Miss. and grew up there. His father, Edward Freeman, was a pioneer settler of Macon and later became a reputable citizen and officer as well as a deacon in First Baptist Church. Following the Civil War he moved to Arkansas and settled near Peytonville in Little River County. He and his wife are buried in or



near Peytonville. He was probably the son of a Samuel Freeman who settled in North Carolina, migrating along with some brothers from Cork County Ireland. Samuel Freeman died in 1819.

William M. Freeman married Mary Ann Crowley of Bozier Parish, Louisiana Feb. 13, 1842, she then being less than fifteen years of age. In 1857 they migrated to Sevier County, Ark. and were well-to-do when war broke. Following the Civil War, Sevier County was divided and Little River County was formed, with William M. as its first sheriff.

He died Nov. 2, 1885 and is buried in the Freeman Graveyard near Allene.

Based on the man's clothing and appearance, the photograph would appear to date from the late 1870s to early 1880s. The man's age could be anywhere in his 50s or 60s. This is consistent with William M. Freeman who would have been in his late 50s or early 60s during this time period.

The carded photograph bears the studio name Calvert of Nashville, Tennessee. In 1900, the Calvert brothers purchased their partner's interest in the photographic studio Calvert Brothers & Taylor and operated it as Calvert Brothers.¹ This is well after Freeman's death in 1885. Closer inspection of the photograph, however, indicates that it is a copy of an earlier photograph. There appear to be scratches on the photograph, especially off the man's left cheek. Yet, the surface is perfectly smooth. The Calverts were often commissioned to copy pre-existing photographs.² This may be an example of such a copy.

Census research shows an Edward Freeman in his 40s living in Greene County, Alabama in 1830. The household included a wife in her 40s and several children ranging in ages from under 5 to about 20.³

By 1840, Edward Freeman was living in Noxubee County, Mississippi. Macon is situated in Noxubee County. He and his wife were in their 50s and

¹ Amber Barfield, "Arranging the Light: The Story of Calvert Photography," Nashville Historical Newsletter <<http://pages.prodigy.net/nhn.slate/nhn.html>>.

² Ibid.

³ Edward Freeman household, 1830 U.S. census, Greene County, Alabama, stamped page 368B; National Archives micropublication M19, roll 2.

their household included several children ranging in ages from under 5 to their 20s.⁴

In 1850, Edward was living in Union Parish, Louisiana. He was 68 years old and claimed to have been born in North Carolina. His wife, Elizabeth, was 65 years old and born in Alabama.⁵

Edward's son, William M. Freeman, was living in the nearby parish of Bossier in 1850. He was a 28-year-old planter born in Alabama. His household included his wife, 22-year-old Mary A., and children Jincey (aged 7) and Thomas S. (aged 2), all born in Louisiana.⁶

By 1860, William had moved to Sevier County, Arkansas and acquired 360 acres.⁷ His household included his wife, 5 children, and his widowed mother, Elizabeth. A 62-year-old woman named Gincy Crowley was also in the household and was likely his mother-in-law. Based on the ages and birthplaces of his children, he moved from Louisiana to Arkansas between 1856 and 1859.⁸

In 1870 and 1880, William and his family lived in Little River County, Arkansas.⁹ This change in address is likely the result of the formation of Little River County from Sevier County rather than a physical move.

The children of William M. and Mary Ann include:

- 1) Jincy Ann, born Dec. 27, 1843 in Louisiana;¹⁰ married Henry T. Love July 21, 1859 in Sevier Co.¹¹
- 2) Thomas S., born about 1848 in Louisiana¹²

⁴ Edward Freeman household, 1840 U.S. census, Noxubee County, Mississippi, stamped page 91B; National Archives micropublication M704, roll 218.

⁵ Edward Freeman household, 1850 U.S. census, Union Parish, Louisiana, stamped page 399B; National Archives micropublication M432, roll 241.

⁶ William Freeman household, 1850 U.S. census, Bossier Parish, Louisiana, 4th ward, township 20, stamped page 307A; National Archives micropublication M432, roll 230.

⁷ USGenWeb, Little River County, Arkansas website, compilation of federal land records from the Bureau of Land Management's General Land Office Automated Records Project.

⁸ William M. Freeman household, 1860 U.S. census, Sevier County, Arkansas, Red River township, Richmond post office, stamped pages 38B and 39A; National Archives micropublication M653, roll 51.

⁹ William M. Freeman household, 1870 U.S. census, Little River County, Arkansas, Lick Creek township, Rocky Comfort post office, stamped page 341A; National Archives micropublication M593, roll 58.

William Freeman household, 1880 U.S. census, Little River County, Arkansas, Lick Creek township, enumeration district 183, stamped page 150A; National Archives micropublication T9, roll 50.

¹⁰ 1850 U.S. census, Bossier Parish, Louisiana, 4th ward, township 20, stamped page 307A. USGenWeb, Little River County, Arkansas website, Freeman Cemetery survey <<http://www.rootsweb.com/~arlittle/>>.

¹¹ Sevier County Marriage Book 2, p. 168.

¹² 1850 U.S. census, Bossier Parish, Louisiana, 4th ward, township 20, stamped page 307A.

- 3) Elizabeth, born about 1852 in Louisiana¹³
- 4) Franklin P., born about 1853 in Louisiana¹⁴
- 5) John D., born Nov. 9, 1855 in Louisiana¹⁵
- 6) William Augustus, born about 1859 in Arkansas¹⁶
- 7) Mary E., born about 1861 in Arkansas¹⁷
- 8) Theodosia M., born about 1865 in Arkansas¹⁸
- 9) Mary A.D., born about 1866 in Arkansas¹⁹
- 10) William, born 1867²⁰
- 11) Emeline, born February 1870 in Arkansas²¹

The Freeman family may have enjoyed prominent status in their Arkansas community. During the Civil War, William Freeman was appointed relief commissioner for Lick Creek Township in Sevier County.²² When Little River County was created in 1867 from part of Sevier County, the temporary seat of justice was fixed at the house of William Freeman, about ten miles northwest of Richmond.²³ He served as Little River County's first sheriff as well as county judge in 1883-1884.²⁴ A historical marker indicating the original site of the Little River County seat and William Freeman's role is found ½ mile east of the site and can be viewed at http://www.littlerivercountyar.info/historical_Markers.htm.

William Freeman died in 1885 and Mary Ann died in 1912. They are both buried in Freeman Cemetery with several other family members.

¹³ 1860 U.S. census, Sevier County, Arkansas, Red River township, Richmond post office, stamped pages 38B and 39A.

¹⁴ Ibid.

¹⁵ Ibid. Also see USGenWeb, Little River County, Arkansas website, Freeman Cemetery survey.

¹⁶ 1860 U.S. census, Sevier County, Arkansas, Red River township, Richmond post office, stamped pages 38B and 39A.

¹⁷ 1870 U.S. census, Little River County, Arkansas, Lick Creek township, Rocky Comfort post office, stamped page 341A.

¹⁸ Ibid.

¹⁹ Ibid.

²⁰ USGenWeb, Little River County, Arkansas website, Freeman Cemetery survey.

²¹ 1870 U.S. census, Little River County, Arkansas, Lick Creek township, Rocky Comfort post office, stamped page 341A.

²² County Court Record, book E, Sevier County, Arkansas p. 455.

²³ Biographical and Historical Memoirs of Southern Arkansas, Goodspeed Publishing Co., 1890, p. 524.

²⁴ Ibid., p. 525.

Arkansas Queries

ANTHONY - MASON - RHEA: Adison Anthony, b cir 1828 in VA; d cir 1879 in Calhoun Co AR, near Hopeville. He m 1851 in Calhoun or Ouachita Co AR to Esther Mason, b cir 1835 in MS, d on 1 Feb 1918 in Bearden AR; dau of Philip Mason and Nancy Rhea. He might have arrived in AR from TN and appears both in Camden, AR at the James Hinton home and Locust Bayou Township at the Elkanah Sullivent home on the 1850 census. Who were his parents? **Wanda Colvin**, 202 S. Roosevelt, Cleveland, TX 77327-4535; email *colvinw@sbcglobal.net*

BAKER - WELBORN: I am trying to get in touch with Carrie Welborn, last email address *carriewelborn@amaonlin.com*. She did not list a city, state or telephone number. She, at one time, had a query in the Baker Family Newsletter which no longer is being published. The query was: Silas N. Baker b GA about 1842/1847. Father Abner Baker b about 1811 in Georgia and was signed Carrie Welborn. I got in touch with the people putting out the newsletter but they could not help me. This is the family I am looking for and wish that I could locate Carrie Welborn. Silas and Abner Baker both lived in Pulaski Co AR at one time. Silas in 1880 and Abner sometime after 1880. **Mrs. Barbara L. Morrow**, #2 Dogwood Circle, Nashville, AR 71852-9317, 870-845-4457.

CLAUNCH - BRASHEAR(S): Where did Mary J. Claunch and Napoleon Bonaparte Brashear(s) marry in Feb 1869/70? One relative said Harlan or Cross Plains. I can't find either in Pope Co AR, where they were living in the 1870 Pope Co census, right next door to N. B. Brashear's uncle, Walter W. Brashear and his family. Walter W. Brashear helped found the Cross Plains Masonic Lodge, but where was it located -- in Cross Plains, AR? No marriage license was found in "Pope County Ark. Marriage Records 1860-1892" by Capitola Hensley Glazner and Bobbie Jones McLane; 1972.

Catherine Y. Moulton, 2 Charitcher Lane; Bella Vista, AR 72714, 479-876-1413; email *cymoulton@cox.net*

FREEMAN - KEETER - NANNY: I am looking for parents of Mary Ann Freeman, b 9 Apr 1859 Marion Co AR. She married John C Keeter, b 9 Apr 1857, they were married 2 Dec 1878 AR. Also any information on the Nanny family. Also I am looking for information on Mary Jane Pollard; she m Henry Lawrence Adamson. She was b 22 Aug 1851 GA. Also looking up families Qualls, Reed, Reid, Southards, Stroud, Gilley and Keeter. Any information would be great and willing to share information. **Tammy Sanders**, 9535 State Rt 46E, Dongola, IL 62926; email *tammys-family@excite.com*

GORDEY: Allen T. Gordey, b cir 1816 in GA or AL; d before 1860 in Ouachita Co AR or LA. He m1 Nancy Forehand probably in Monroe Co AL, dau of Palmer and Cynthia Forehand; and m2 cir 1852 in Ouachita Co AR to Parthena Jane Ross, b on 8 July 1830 in Adair Co KY; d on 27 Mar 1911 in Ouachita Co AR at 80 years of age; dau of John W. Ross and Prudence Winfrey. Need the names of his parents. **Wanda Colvin**, 202 S. Roosevelt, Cleveland, TX 77327-4535; email *colvinw@sbcglobal.net*

GRIFFIN - BENTON - ROGERS: Caleb Griffin, Bolivar, Poinsett Co AR 1837-1841. William H. Benton, Craighead Co AR 1860-1879. George Rogers, Van Buren Co AR 1840's -1857. **Elsie Whitson**, 12122 Cobra Lane, Roland AR 72135; email *bobcwhitson@aol.com*

HENSON: Nancy Henson b 1857, living with Rollinson family in 1870 in the area that later was the Rawlinson P.O.; married who? **Barry Henson**, 221 Via Los Maradores, Redondo Beach, CA 90277-6761; email *bearzfacts@earthlink.net*

HENSON - WILSON: William Henson married Sarah Wilson in 1878 in Van Buren Co AR. They had one dau listed on 1880 census. Her name was Lizy. This family disappears after the 1883 tax listing for Van Buren Co. William and Sarah were born in MS. Need help in locating where this family and Sarah's father Daniel P. Wilson went. Other surnames: Goodnight, Marshall, Watts, Scott, Thomas, McGhee, Sharp, Green, King, Pinson. **Kathryn L. Garcia**, 5111 Tiffany Circle, Killeen, TX 76549; email *kgsearcher@aol.com*

HICKS: African American from SC cir 1880 to Lonoke, Prairie, and Conway Counties. **Deborah Hicks**, 6706 Fairfield Dr., Little Rock, AR 72209; email *hicksgd@aol.com*

HIETT - HYATT - McENTIRE: Gerald McEntire married a lady named Lockey after his wife Elizabeth died. Looking for anyone with any info on her. In the 1880 census, Lockey is listed with Teral (Gerald) and his children. Would like to know what happened to her and who she was.

Pamela Coleman, PO Box 879, Marcola, OR 97454; email *pecoleman49@aol.com*

HOLT - HILL - WALLACE - BREWER - DAVIS: Researching these lines in NE AR - IZARD, BAXTER, SEARCY and STONE COUNTIES. Need information on William Henry Hill m Aletha Jane Fowler. Children were born in White Co, Bald Knob area in 1880s. Unable to find in 1880s or before. Henry served in Confederate army; was disallowed pension for lack of paperwork. **Connie Pearl**, 3309 E Mt. Vernon, Wichita, KS 67218, 316-682-6961; email *cpearl@cox.net*

JONES: Searching Jones family, Clark Co AR, 1830 to present. **Wayne Mortenson**, 133 Sedgefield Ct, San Ramon, CA 94583; email *danish1904@msn.com*

MASON: Seeking info on John Mason, War of 1812 lands in Jackson Co AR. John Mason was a wagon master and resided in Glaize Twp, Jackson Co AR through 1850. **Carolyn C. Anderson**, 5607 Dogwood Drive, Lincoln, NE 68516; email *cca44@aol.com*

MILLS: Looking for the parents of William Mathis Mills, Sr., b May 1823 SC; moved to Jasper Co AL, to MS, then to Faulkner Co AR before 1870. He died there 11 Feb 1900. He had brother named Britton and possibly a brother named Robert. **Don E. Schaefer**, 1297 Deane St., Fayetteville, AR 72703-1544; email *dschaefer@uark.edu*

PIERSON/PEARSON: Need to identify husband of Melissa Glenn Pierson/Pearson who was in household of brother-in-law John Peel in Lonoke Co AR in 1880. Any info about this Pierson/Pearson family will be helpful. **Robert Edwards**, 300 Lakeridge Drive, Russellville, AR 72802, email *bobandcarolyn@cox-internet.com*

SOWELL - HART - PETTUS - DOBBINS - DEENER: Will exchange info on these lines. **Sam Sowell**, 12400 Hunters Glen #2, Little Rock, AR 72211; email *samcs@aol.com*

POOL: I need the death date and place of death in OK of Esther Elizabeth (“Lizzie”) Hash Pool. She died 1892-1896. Lizzie previously lived in Washington and Madison Counties AR. **Dr. Kenyon B. De Greene**, 4345 Chaumont Road, Woodland Hills, CA 91364; email *DrKenyonD@aol.com*

STUART - KUYKENDELL: When and where were Abraham Stuart and Mary Kuykendell Stuart married? They came to Arkansas Co AR about 1812. Any info appreciated. Who also came to AR with them? **Camille W. Ellis**, 2124 N Tyler St, Little Rock, AR 72207-4500

WARREN: Joseph L. and Massila A. Warren lived in Wayne Co TN in 1870 census; children: Harriet J., Frances E., William L., Marion D., Mary Ann A., Sara D. and “Eighter” (Ada?). Need additional info especially on Joseph, date and place of birth, etc. **Garry W. Warren**, 832 Olde Mill Trace, Cottondale, AL 35453

WHEAT - GAMLELIN - TURMAN - MILLER: Seek info on James R. Wheat and wife Julia Gamlelin Wheat, parents of Verna (1893-1926) and her husband Nathan Mack Turman (1890-1965) whose parents were William Robert Turman (1859-1932) and wife Maggie Miller Turman (1862-1948). Lawrence and Sharp Counties. **Norma Barrett**, 504 West Street, DeKalb, TX 75559

WILLIAMS - DEDMAN - SHAW - HAWKINS: Henry Williams b cir 1806 possibly in VA. He witnessed the marriage contract between Henry H. Dedman and Hannah Shaw in 1824 in Madison Co AL. He m Eliza E Dedman about 1825, dau of Philip Dedman and Mary Hawkins of Madison Co AL. They lived in Franklin Co AL until about 1852 when they all moved to Dallas Co AR along with some of her brothers. He had been a coach maker in AL. Children: Mary Williams m Jesse P. Benton, Margaret Williams m Tomas L. Watts, James Milton Williams m Nancy Stockman, dau of Henry C. Stockman and Emily Armstrong, Martha O. Williams m J. P. Keeton, Henry T. Williams m Sarah Proctor, Emily Williams m William H. Marshall. Who were the parents of Henry Williams? **Wanda Colvin**, 202 S. Roosevelt, Cleveland, TX 77327-4535; email *colvin@sbcglobal.net*

Book Review

Index of Death Notices Appearing in the Arkansas Gazette 1914. By Oscar G. Russell. Published by Russell Publishing Company, 506 Loop Road, Sherwood, Arkansas 72120-2216; 2005. 208 pp. plus an Every Name Index of Locations in Arkansas, 63 pp., and an Every Name Index of Locations Other Than Arkansas, 32 pp. Hardbound, \$34. Include Arkansas tax-exempt number where applicable. Also **Index of Death Notices Appearing in the Arkansas Democrat-Gazette, July 1 to December 31, 2004.** 251 pp. Same publishing and ordering information as above.

These are two more in the continuing series of well-done death-notice indexes from Mr. Russell. The *Arkansas Gazette* was a statewide newspaper so obituary coverage was broad. The 1914 volume contains 8,074 entries from obituaries and from news articles that identified a deceased person by name. In the Introduction, Mr. Russell has included comments on significant events, disasters, national news, miscellaneous facts, and personalities. He also provides a clear explanation of his entry data and a 1914 calendar. The main index is arranged alphabetically by last name and then first name of the deceased. Other column headings include town, state, age, edition [date], page, column [number] and country, and they are printed at the top of every page. Two additional indexes arranged alphabetically by place name, one for Arkansas locations and the other for locations outside Arkansas, will help those searching for information by community.

In the 2004 volume, Mr. Russell continues his indexing of the more current death notices and news articles of Arkansas' surviving statewide newspaper. In the Introduction Mr. Russell points out that "not all obituaries listed are found in the Central Arkansas edition of the newspaper." An asterisk designates those obituaries listed in the Central Arkansas edition but printed in the Northwest Arkansas edition. The compiler kindly included a 2004 calendar. This volume contains 9,764 entries arranged alphabetically by last name and then first name. Other column headings include town, state, age, edition, page, column, and country.

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WHEN Submissions must be postmarked by 30 June 2005.

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