

in 1840 Murray Co. census. Berryman was in Pendleton (Anderson, S.C.) census in 1830 and was in Murray Co., Ga. by 1850 with second wife Lucretia. Berryman's son, William Jackson, by his first wife, Lindy Dollar, was also in the 1850 Murray Co., Ga., census. This William Jackson married Dorcas Jane Rollins 2-12-1844 in Murray Co., Ga. Dorcas Rollins' parents were George Rollins b. 1766 N.C. and Elizabeth Arnold b. 1783 N.C.

Elizabeth Arnold was married first to Joe Richardson and had three sons by him: (1) Joseph m. Harriet and his children were William, Elizabeth, George W., John H. and James. (2) Jim and (3) Ike whose children were Steve, Hansel, Guy, Anderson, Ross, Maude, Maynard and Fannie Lou.

George Rollins moved to Murray County, Ga., in 1838 from Rutherford Co., N.C., and bought land lots 196-237 and 233. He and Elizabeth were the parents of Dorcas Jane and Emaline. George and Elizabeth are buried in the Wilbanks-Rollins Cemetery.

William Jackson and Dorcas were the parents of nine children:

(1) Emaline b. 1842, m. 1st Jacob Burris, 2nd Edmund Waddell. She had eight children in all. Bennetha, Selin, George, Rosale and John Burris. Edmund, Jr., Charlie and Ida Wadell. Emaline died and was buried in Texas.

(2) George W. b. 10-4-1844, d. 3-27-1912, m. Louisa Duncan. They had 12 children: Benjamin H. "Mike," Burl, Tom, Hill, Bill, Earl, George Jr., Mary, Pearl, Jennie, Harriet and Berryman (died in infancy). George W. is buried at Mt. Zion.

(3) Rebecca Melinda b. 1847, d. 1944, m. Jasper Reed 4-8-1866. Their children were Gert, Lizzie, Laura, Cass, Lofton, Bill, Annie Maye, Johnnie and Sybil. Rebecca is buried in the Wilbanks-Rollins Cemetery.

(4) William Jackson b. 1851, m. Nannie Gilbreath. Their children were Lizzie and Jessie. He died and is buried in Texas.

(5) John Oates b. 5-7-1853, d. 9-17-1939, m. 1st Jane Groves and 2nd Senie McHan. His child was Lela by Jane Groves and Mark, Jim, Joe, Charlie, Mary Jane "Jennie" and Mae by Senie McHan. John and Senie are buried at Free Hope in Murray County.

(6) Joseph R. b. 1856, d. 1913, m. Olive Carder. Their children were John, Bill, Claude, Cleve, Tom, Doss, Nannie, Fannie and Minnie. Joe and Olive moved to Hico, Texas, and are buried there. Joe sold 50 acres in 1899, except one acre to be used as Wilbanks-Rollins Cemetery for all descendants of Jack and Dorcas Wilbanks to be buried in. George was left in charge of the cemetery, not in ownership of same. There is a picture of Dorcas and several of her children and grandchildren which was made between 1905 and 1910 on the occasion of a cemetery cleaning of this same Wilbanks-Rollins Cemetery.

(7) Caswell R. b. 6-10-1858, d. 4-29-1947, m. Martha "Mattie" Campbell 9-19-1883. Their children were Samuel Fields, Will, Groves and Floyd. Cas and Mattie are buried at Eton.

(8) Vincent E.H. b. 1860, m. 1st Mollie Wood, 2nd Jane Nix Crago. Children were Brad, Obed, Oma, Velma, Ella and Nannie, all by 2nd wife. They died and are buried in Texas.

(9) Jessie b. 6-28-1862, d. 8-21-1943, m. Parthenia Brown. Children were

Vince, Tom, Dewey, Lynda, Exie, Marybelle, Emma, Dorcas and Vick. They are buried at Holly Creek.

William Jackson b. 7-15-1815 S.C., d. 2-27-1905 Murray Co. and Dorcas b. 3-7-1821 N.C., d. 5-15-1910 Murray Co. are buried in the Wilbanks-Rollins Cemetery. They have numerous descendants in Murray and Whitfield Counties with others in Texas, California and Florida.

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Williams Family—Alexander, Brittain & Franklin

Alexander Williams was born 1789 N.C. He was living in Murray Co., Ga., in 1850 between Brittain and Franklin. Alexander married Dec. 22, 1810 in Rowan Co., N.C., to Phebe Pickett. They had three sons, George, Brittain and Franklin. Also a daughter (name unknown to me). Alexander was married in the 1840's to Mrs. Louisa Green b. 1817 TN. She had two daughters: Margaret Green b. 1837 TN and Angelia Green b. 1841 TN. Alexander and Louisa had a son Alexander Williams born 1848 Murray Co., Ga.

Rev. Brittain Williams was born 1816 Indiana, and died after 1880 Catoosa Co., Ga. (census). Brit was a Baptist minister and a carpenter. He married Elizabeth Rebecca Eledge b. 1819 TN. They had the following children (taken from the censuses): Sylvester D. b. 1840, Mary E. b. 1841, David W. b. 1846, Lucretia H. b. 1844, John M. b. 1849, Martha J. b. 1852, Casey J. b. March 1854 and William J. b. 1858, all born in Ga. Brit served several churches around the area including the Salem Baptist Church. He lived in a log house that he built near the church. Brit and Franklin built log houses about one mile apart.

Franklin Williams was born in 1818, Indiana. He married Nov. 16, 1841 in Murray Co., Ga., to Myra Clark b. 1821 N.C., the daughter of Benjamin Clark, Jr. and Lucy Dalton, both born in N.C. Myra died around 1900, Catoosa Co., Ga. Franklin lived in the log house he built until his death. It was later owned with the farm of his son, J.C. Williams. Franklin and Myra had three sons, George Washington, John Columbus, and Benjamin A. Williams, and four daughters, Minerva Jane, Fronia, Mary, and Lucy A. Williams.

Franklin Williams died when some of his children were small. He had a blacksmith shop near the spring on the farm which still runs cold, clear water. One hot summer day he had worked very hard. He came to the springs and drank a lot of cold water, lay down, and went to sleep. He never woke up, and was dead when they found him. He, his wife, and their youngest son and daughter were buried in Salem Baptist Church Cemetery in a walled area near the road. There are six or eight graves and all marked with fieldstones. J.C. and some of his family is buried next to Franklin and Myra's graves.

The War Between the States started about the time of Franklin's death. George, the oldest son, went off to war, leaving J.C. the oldest son at home, only 10 years old. Ben was a baby. The family had a hard time to live during

the war, as the Northern Army came by several times and took their food and livestock, etc. Franklin and Myra had seven children:

(1) Minerva Jane Williams b. Sept. 22, 1842 Murray Co., Ga., d. Oct. 17, 1928 Tunnel Hill, Ga. She married May 10, 1863 at her parent's home by the Rev. Zachariah Clark, her uncle. She married Isaac Marion Baldwin b. June 1839 Hamilton Co., TN, and d. Feb. 14, 1922 Tunnel Hill. Both are buried at the Tunnel Hill, Ga. Cemetery. Isaac was a brick mason; he made and laid brick. Minerva and Isaac had nine children.

(2) Sophronia "Fronia" L. Williams b. Sept. 17, 1844 Murray Co., Ga., d. Jan. 3, 1936 Apison, TN, m. John N.B. Smith b. July 1, 1843 N.C., d. June 10, 1900 Apison, TN, bur. in Plowman Cemetery, Apison. They had nine children.

(3) George Washington Williams b. Aug. 17, 1846 Murray Co., Ga., d. May 24, 1938 Temple, Texas. He married Nov. 27, 1870 Ringgold, Ga., to Margaret Rebecca Harris b. 1847 Ga., d. 1887-8 Bosqueville, Texas (now a part of Waco). She was a daughter of the Rev. Jesse J. Harris b. 1827 Ga., a Methodist minister, and her mother was Exer _____ b. 1825 Ga. and d. Apr. 15, 1867, bur. at Smiths Chapel Cemetery at Ringgold, Ga. Rev. Harris later took his family and moved to Texas. Rebecca and George W. Williams had nine children.

(4) Mary Susan Williams b. June 1848 Murray Co., Ga., d. Apr. 26, 1925 Trenton, Ga., with burial at Greenwood Cemetery, Chattanooga, TN. Mary married George W. Langston b. ca. 1842-3 TN. They had ten children.

(5) John Columbus Williams b. July 18, 1851 Ga., d. Sept. 1, 1923 in Dalton, Ga., where he was on a business trip. He had heart failure. John married Nov. 23, 1873 Bradley Co., TN, to Mary Loutician Smith b. Apr. 30, 1854 N.C. and d. Feb. 12, 1926 Ringgold, Ga., bur. in Salem Cemetery. They had ten children.

(6) Benjamin A. "Ben" Williams b. 1855 Catoosa Co., Ga., and d. between 1880 and 1900 with burial in Salem Baptist Church Cemetery, Ringgold, Ga. No tombstone. He was still single in 1880 and living with his mother, and sister, Lucy.

(7) Lucy A. Williams b. Oct. 1857 Ringgold, Ga., and d. after 1923, listed as a survivor of J.C. Williams. She married about 1888 to Anderson Curtis b. Jan. 1829 Pa. They were living in Apison, TN, on the 1900 census. She was buried at Salem Baptist Church Cemetery, Ringgold, Ga. Her grave is marked with a fieldstone.

Some of the Williams descendants still attend the Salem Baptist Church in Ringgold, Ga.

I have family sheets on all the children of Franklin and Myra Clark Williams. Some of them had large families also.

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Robert Wood

Robert Wood, who lived in Murray County at various times from the 1850's until 1897-1898, was born in Pendleton District (now Pickens County), S.C., 22 March, 1821, and was the son of Joseph and Mary Wood. Joseph was born in North Carolina, probably Guilford (now Randolph) County, 9 March, 1770

and moved to Pendleton District, S.C., before 1800 where he lived on Twelve Mile River. Joseph made his will on 6 January 1829 and had died by the time the February term of court was held in 1829.

Named in his will was his first wife, Lavinia, and his children by her: (1) Nancy. (2) Charity. (3) William, b. ca. 1794, m. 1st Nancy Riggins in Pickens Co., S.C., was living in Cherokee Co., Ga., when the 1850 census was taken. Second marriage was to Mrs. Elizabeth Norwood in Cherokee Co., Ga., 5 May 1841. (4) Esther. (5) Solomon b. ca. 1800, was living in Pickens Co., S.C., in 1830 but had moved to Anderson Co., S.C., when 1850 census was taken. His wife was Nancy _____. (6) Winny. (7) Isaiah b. ca. 1802, living in Pickens Co., S.C., in 1850 in Gordon Co., Ga., in 1860, and in Pickens Co., Ga., in 1870, where he died 24 Nov. 1879. He m. 1st Della (?) Riggins, and 2nd Martha _____. One of the daughters by the first marriage, Nancy Wood, m. in Gordon Co., Ga., 28 Jan. 1866 to her half-first-cousin, John C. Wood, son of Robert Wood. (8) Catharine. (9) Lavinia.

Joseph named his present wife, Mary, and "her children" who were to inherit his land. From a petition to sell Joseph's 200 acres for division, filed 10 February 1860, it is shown that the heirs were all living outside the state of South Carolina except for Mary. Children: (1) Sarah m. William Morgan. (2) Charles, living in Murray Co., Ga., 11 Feb. 1854 when he sold his share of the property to Jacob Lewis. (3) Alexander was living in Miss. in 1851, evidently came back to Georgia, enlisted in Company K, 14th Georgia Volunteer Infantry, 9 July 1861, and was killed at Cold Harbor, Virginia, 27 June, 1862. (4) John Wood. (5) Mary Wood. (6) Robert Wood (see more below). (7) Anna Wood m. Tilman Howard, was living in Pickens Co., S.C., when 1850 census was taken, but removed from the state.

Robert Wood was living in Cherokee Co., Ga., as early as 1 Mar., 1839, when he volunteered at Trader's Hill, Cherokee County, for service in the Seminole War, also called the Florida War. He was a private in Captain Joseph C. Hunter's company of Georgia Mounted Volunteers, commanded by Brigadier General Charles H. Nelson. This company was stationed on the Okefenokee Swamp for 3 months after which Robert was discharged 4 July, 1839 at Kellog's Store, Forsyth County, Ga.

Robert returned to Pickens County, S.C., where he married in Oct. 1841, Martha Hudson (also spelled Hutson), daughter of William and Margaret (Alexander) Hudson. According to his application for bounty land and pension, the family lived first at Orange Post Office upon returning to Georgia. It is of interest that the old store building, now a part of the Stone Mountain Historic Area, is from Orange, Cherokee County. Robert and family then moved to Marietta, then to Hawkins Post Office, Murray County, to Dalton, to Ramsey Post Office, where he was living in 1897, and finally to Sugar Valley, Gordon County. His physical description, from military records at time of enlistment was 5 ft. 9½ inches tall, dark hair, dark complexion and dark eyes.

When the War Between the States broke out, Robert was living in Murray County and was enlisted by Lt. Holt in Capt. W.L. Goldsmith's Company K, 14th Georgia Volunteer Infantry, CSA (Etowah Guards), at Spring Place, 1