

A Descendant of George Washington

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Joseph E. Washington

"Speaking of Washington, writes F. G. Carpenter, from the National capital, we have, I understand, one of his descendants in this Congress in the person of Joseph E. Washington who succeeds representative Caldwell of Nashville. Washington is a young man not over thirty, small stout and light-haired. He does not show much evidence of the Washington features, but he is, I understand worth a million dollars, and the most of his property comes by inheritance. It is a curious thing that a descendant of Washington should represent the district of Andrew Jackson."

Note: Washington was born on November 10, 1851 on the family homestead, Wessyngton near Cedar Hill, Tennessee. He was a graduate of Georgetown College in Washington, D.C. on June 26, 1873 and two years later studied law at Vanderbilt University in Nashville. List of Traced Virginia Families on this website