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Dear Jeanette:

I recently received a copy of *The Heritage of Paulding County Georgia* 1832-1999 and have just finished reading with great interest your contributions on the Holland family. I am the great granddaughter of Susan Elizabeth Carlton Caldwell, who was the second daughter of Henry Spencer Carlton and Elizabeth Rice.

My great grandmother Susan and Sarah Ann Carlton Holland were sisters. As you can see from the enclosed photo, there is a very strong resemblance between the pictures I have of Susan and the picture of Sarah on page 246 of the Heritage book.

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The leads about the Carlton side of the family from the *Heritage* book are invaluable to me, but I have run into a dead end trying to trace the Caldwell side of my family. With the hope that you may be able to help me, I am attaching a page containing what little I know about Susan's family in Georgia.

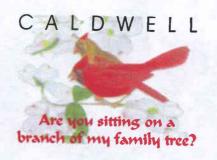
Do you have any additional information on the Caldwells in Georgia that would be helpful to me? Can you suggest anyone else who I can contact? Are there other resources in Georgia that might give up information about the Caldwells considering that I don't know the names of Robert F. Caldwell's parents?

Where can I purchase your books Hollands of Paulding County and Hollands?

Any assistance you can give me will be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

Linda Matthews

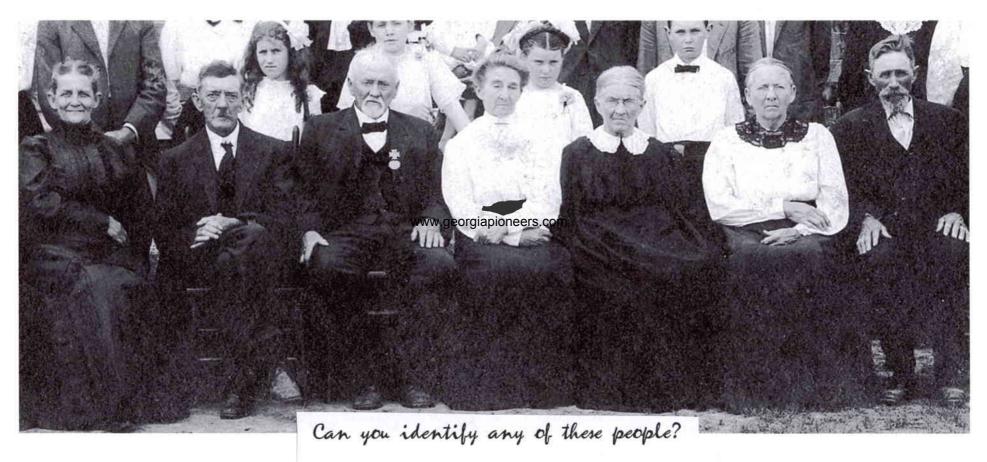


Susan Elizabeth Carlton was born January 6, 1836 in Elbert County, Georgia. Robert F. Caldwell was born July 1, 1826 in DeKalb County, Georgia. They were married February 14, 1856 in Paulding County, Georgia. I have absolutely no previous information about Robert F. Caldwell, who his parents were, who is siblings were, etc.

Susan and Robert were enumerated in the 1860 census for Paulding County (Dallas P.O.), Georgia, with two children Margaret (Margaret E. b. 1/11/1857) and Sarah (Sarah Frances b. 11/30/1858). He was listed as a tenant.

In the 1870 Georgia census, they were in Polk County (Van Wert P.O.), with 7 children. In addition to Margaret and Sarah, the following children were listed in the family Bible as having been born in Paulding County prior to their moving to Polk County: John (WWM) Georgianion (William Jackson b. 1/6/1868), Walton (Walton C. b. 12/5/1864), Matilda (Matilda A. b. 12/1/1866) and Ada (Adair M. b. 12/23/1868). Robert F. was listed as Farm Laborer. On December 16, 1870, after the census was taken, twin boys Benjamin Franklin and James Allen were born.

In 1871 they moved to Independence County, Arkansas, where they had 4 additional children, making a total of 13: Joseph Johnson (b. 5/4/1873); Robert Lee, my grandfather (b. 3/15/1875); Mary Ella (b. 5/30/1877) and Sophronia (b. 2/16/1879). Robert F. Caldwell died in Independence County 3/8/1894. Susan died 5/8/1920. My mother was 10 when her beloved grandmother Susan died and she remembered Susan quite well. Robert, Susan and their 13 children are all buried in Independence County.



This is an enlarged area from a family photograph made about 1910 in front of the home of Susan Elizabeth Carlton Caldwell on Caldwell Mountain in Independence County, Arkansas. The children in the background are some of Susan's many grandchildren. Susan is seated third from the right. Can you identify any of the other adults seated