

*CROGGIN C. GREGG should be GEORGE CROGHAN GREGG.

CORRECTION:

The Coggin family came to the United States from Ireland. My great, great grandfather, James Coggin settled in North Carolina, married twice raised a large family of two sets of children. My great Grandfather, John Coggin, son of James Coggin, married Sallie Bowlden in North Carolina and moved to Morgan County Georgia in the year of 1812. They lived there four years and then moved to Pike County, Georgia. There were born to them four girls. Nelly married John Pryor of Pike County Georgia. Polly married Robert Scott of Pike County, Georgia. Nancy married Robert McCrary of Meriwether Co. Ga. and Mary married Henry Pennington of Pike Co. Ga. The two sons born to John Coggin and Sallie Bowlden Coggin were Silas, who married Molly Pierson in Morgan Co. Ga. and Matthew who married Marthy Pryor in 1826. Silas Coggin and Molly Pierson Coggin had born to them four boys, John, Columbus, Dock and George, and one daughter. Molly Pierson Coggin died and Silas Coggin then married Fanny Anderson. They had born to them one daughter, Lizzie, who married John Swan of Pike Co. Ga. (was killed during Civil war in Virginia), and two sons; Josephus, who married Becky Jackson of Pike Co. Ga. and Silas Silvestus Tap Over the Candy Pot who married Phoeby Jackson of Pike Co. Ga. My grandfather, Matthew Coggin and his wife Marthy Pryor Coggin had born to them three children, Annie, Cis Candis and William Jasper. Annie, the oldest married Croggin C. Gregg of Pike Co. Ga. in 1856 he was killed in Richmond Virginia in the year of 1865. They had three daughters Ella, Vickie and Georgia, and two sons Matthew and James. Cis Candis married John D. Gregg of Pike Co. Ga. in the year 1859 they had born to them three daughters Ada, Jackie and Annie and two sons William and Charlie. (Silas Silvestus was known as "Tip" Coggins.)

William Jasper Coggin son of Matthew and Marthy Pryor Coggin was born in Pike County Georgia on April 21, 1836 and lived all of his life in Pike County except the four years he was in the Civil war. He went to Savannah, Ga. to join Co. A of the 13th Georgia Regiment, in May, 1861 his company was sent to Savannah to Virginia in July, 1865. He served under General Lee in the Virginia Army, was in all of the major battles and only received a slight flesh wound in the hip, this was during the battle at Gettysburg. He was captured in Sept., 1864 in Virginia and sent to Yankee Prison at Point Lookout. After he surrendered he took the oath of allegiance to the United States in June 1865 and was released from prison. He reached his home in Pike County Georgia in June, 20, 1865. His mother had died while he was in the army. He came home and went to farming. Made contracts with negroes he had owned when he went to the War and on the 31th day of December, 1868 he was married to Lavonia Palastine Carson of Pike Co. Ga. they had born to them nine children, five girls, Clyde, Mary, Ada, Nettie and Collie, four boys, Emmett, Wilbur, Edgar and Cleveland. He died at his old home in Pike Co. Ga. on June 9, 1906, and is buried in the Coggin Cemetery in Pike Co. Ga. He lived all his life in only two houses, the house he was born in being south of the old homestead on the same plantation. His education was limited. He was elected Justice of the Peace of Driver District for four terms. He served in this capacity for 20 years.

Co. A of 13th Ga. Regiment was made up from Pike Co., Upson, Meriwether and Fayette County principally of Pike County and was organized by Capt. John H. Baker of Pike Co. who afterwards became Colonel. John B. Mathis was Captain at the close of the War. John B. Gordon was General of the 13th Ga. regiment. There were in Co. A 104 men who went out at first in 1861. During the four years, recruits were added making 238.

Out of that number 68 came back alive. The oldest man in Co. A Leonard Harris of Pike Co. He was 65 in 1861 and lived to be 104. The youngest man was a Jew from Upson County by name of Jacob Weiss. He was the first man killed in Co. A. He got killed accidentally at Savannah, Ga. the second day after he arrived there. The 13th Ga. Regiment was in the three days battle at Gettysburg. General John B. Gordon led them in a charge on the a battery of Cannon out in an open field. Most of the men were wounded or killed. They fought for three days and nights. Co. A went into the battle the first day with 112 men and came out with only 38 not wounded or killed.

Maxie Jordon of Molena, Pike County Georgia the last known survivor of Co. A died in Atlanta, Ga June 1934.