

# **ANCESTORS OF: EDWARD DOUGLAS GLIMER**

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**DOCUMENTED VETERAN ANCESTORS OF EDWARD GILMER**

**PRIVATE BENJAMIN VERMILLION, CIVIL WAR, COMPANY A,  
16<sup>TH</sup> VIRGINIA CAVALRY, CONFEDERATE**

**PRIVATE JACOB W. CHARLES, CIVIL WAR, COMPANY B, 60<sup>TH</sup>  
TENNESSE MOUNTED INFANTRY, CONFEDERATE**

**PRIVATE JACOB M. CHARLES, CIVIL WAR, CAPTAIN MILLER'S  
COMPANY, TENNESSEE LOCAL DEFENSE TROOPS,  
CONFEDERATE**

**COLONEL GEORGE HALE, WAR OF 1812, COMMANDER OF  
4<sup>TH</sup> REGIMENT, HAWKINS COUNTY MILITIA**

**PVT JESSE VERMILLION, WAR OF 1812, CAPTAIN WILLIAM  
CROMWELL'S COMPANY, VIRGINIA MILITIA**

**MANY OTHER DIRECT GRANDFATHERS HELD MILITARY  
TITLES BUT DIDN'T SERVE IN ANY CONFLICTS. QUICK  
GLANCES SEE MANY UNCLES AND COUSINS WHO ALSO  
SERVED.**

**TO:** The (Client Name) Family

**SUBJECTS:** The family and ancestors of **Edward Douglass Gilmer**

**RESEARCH QUESTION OR GOAL:** Discover and document the family members and ancestors of Edward Douglass Gilmer, including relevant facts. The results are documented in various reports, with the highlight report in a bullet point style summary of interesting ancestors.

**BACKGROUND SUMMARY:** The client's father passed away recently and many of the family stories were lost with him. The client knows many of the names, dates and locations of as far back as their Grandparents but not past there. This information has been provided to the genealogist. The client does not know any family stories or where they come from and any information past their grandparents will be new information.

**RESOURCES USED:**

Ancestry  
Family Search  
Fold-3  
Find-A-Grave  
Newspapers.com

**RESTRICTIONS OR LIMITATIONS:** None

**SUMMARY OF RESEARCH FINDINGS:** The family tree of Edward Douglass Gilmer over the last two centuries are almost entirely in two locations. Russell County, Virginia for his father's side, and Hawkins County, Tennessee on his mother's side. A few branches reach into Culpeper County, Virginia, and North Carolina. The family arrived in their locations early in the frontier period and were able to secure large pieces of land, which made most of them at least moderately wealthy. They were leaders in their communities with many of them serving as military officers and politicians.

Most of the ancestors were farmers but we also see merchants, a minister and an insurance salesman. Five veterans have been found in this tree, to include three Civil War Confederates, one of which fought at Gettysburg and two War of 1812 veterans, one of which was the Colonel of the Hawkins County, Tennessee Militia. Several others with military titles have been found without military records and likely were in their local militias. It appears that most, if not all branches lead to Revolutionary War Veterans, and their land grants are likely what lead them to the frontier of western Virginia, and Tennessee.

It is undetermined as to the ethnic background of these ancestors in this report but appear to be a mixture of English, Scottish, Scots-Irish, German, and possibly one French branch. More, deeper research will need to be done to determine this because we do not have any immigrant ancestors in this level of the report. No Native Americans were found in this report. Six slave holding ancestors were found with as many as forty-two slave in their care.

**GENEALOGIST COMMENTS:** The Edward Douglas Gilmer family tree is unique due to the amount of wealth and prominent people that make up its branches. Their prominence and documentation had led to this report being extremely long compared to most and we are blessed to be able to learn so much about so many individuals, as well as family groups. The families appear to be hard working, strong Christians in a tight knit community. It appears that many of the direct ancestors of this report had

siblings that intermarried into other families that appear in this family tree. Both sides have a Confederate veteran which speaks to their love of community. In multiple occasions we find at least three generations living in one house, they took care of their own.

All ancestors are matched to how they are kin to (Client Name), such as 2x great-grandfather, etc., so future generations in the family will know their relation to each family member. The report reads in direct male lines until an end is found, and then moves over to the closet female line, etc.

It has truly been a treat to spend some much time learning about the ancestors of Edward Douglas Gilmer and bringing them back to life! May they never be forgotten!

**FURTHER RESEARCH SUGGESTION:** More details can be found about the people in this report. This project can be extended in other Family Tree Nuts packages that reach deeper into history. Searches in local repositories will no doubt turn up wills, deeds and other family records that have not been scanned into online formats. At any time, more research can be done on any person or group of people in this family tree. The purpose of this project was to find the name and locations of the ancestors. It is entirely possible to learn more facts about many of the people in this tree. It truly is unending.



**INTERESTING ANCESTOR FINDINGS FOR THE ANCESTORS OF EDWARD DOUGLAS GILMER  
(1933-2002)**

- Suzanne (Client Name) is the base for this report and was born Day Month Year, in Town, State, to Edward Douglas Gilmer and Betsy Susan Roberts.
- (Client Name) married (Client Spouse) on Day Month Year, in Town, State.
- Edward Douglas Gilmer is the father of (Client Name), and was born 7 April 1922, in Beckley, Raleigh County, West Virginia, to Edward Theophilus Gilmer, Jr., and Alice Eastman Hale.
- In 1940, Edward lived in Beckley, Raleigh, West Virginia, with his parents. His father was an insurance agent, and had completed three years of college, rented the house for \$25 a month, and made \$1,200 a year. Edward's mother had completed one year of high school.

1940 U.S. Census

Gilmer, E. T.	head	M	39	MAR	Virginia	1884	W.K.													
—, Alice	wife	F	31	MAR	Virginia	1909	H.	No	No	No										
—, Edward	son	M	17	NEV	Tennessee	1922	H.	No	No	No										

- In 1950, Edward lived in Beckley, Raleigh County, West Virginia, with his parents, and his mothers, mother. His father was the owner/manager of an insurance company and had worked eighty hours the previous week.

1950 U.S. Census

Gilmer, Edward T.	head	W	M	49	MAR	Virginia	1884	W.K.				80	Owner/Manager	Insurance	0
—, Alice A.	wife	W	F	41	MAR	Tennessee	1868	H.	No	No	No				
—, Edward D.	son	W	M	17	NEV	Tennessee	1922	H.	No	No	No				
Hale, Minnie C.	mother-in-law	W	F	82	W.D.	Tennessee	1848	H.							

Photo said to be Edward Gilmer in the 1951 Woodrow Wilson High School Yearbook, found on ancestry.com



## EDWARD DOUGLAS GILMER

“Buggie”

*“No secret to success but work.”*

Jr. Play, Sr. Play, Band 3, Band Librarian 1, Hi-Y 2, Booster 1, Minstrel 2, Jazz Band, Orchestra 3, Boys’ State, Business Manager for Annual

- Edward married Betsy Susan Roberts on 1 September 1962, in Beckley, Raleigh County, West Virginia.

Wedding announcement for Edward and Betsy, published in the Beckley Post-Herald and the Raleigh Register, on 2 September 1962, found on newspapers.com

### Miss Roberts, E. Douglas Gilmer Wed Saturday In Church Rites

Miss Betsy Susan Roberts and Edward Douglas Gilmer were united in marriage Saturday afternoon in the Beckley Presbyterian Church.

DR. JAMES W. Witherspoon, minister of the church, performed the double-ring ceremony in a setting of white gladioli and greenery arranged in tiers with two alternating rows of lighted tapers.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred C. Roberts of 305 Edgewood Dr. and the groom's parents are Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Gilmer Jr. of 107 Beckley Ave.

E. Lauren Bigger, minister of music for the First Baptist Church, presented a program of organ music, including "Arioso" from "The Water Music Suite" by Handel; Purcell's "Trumpet Tune in D," and "March," by Fior Peeters. The soloist, Miss Diane Curry of White Sulphur Springs, a cousin of the bride, sang "My Heart Ever Faithful" and "Be Thou With Them" by Bach.

THE BRIDE was escorted to the altar by her father. Her gown, fashioned by her mother and Mrs. Felix Craig, was of embroidered white organza. A crown of seed pearls held her elbow-length veil of illusion, and she carried a white Testament with a white orchid.

Miss Elizabeth Ann Brash served as maid of honor wearing a dress of pale green faille taffeta and chiffon and a white net hat featuring a large white satin rose. She carried a cascade bouquet of white carnations.

The groom's father was best man. Ushers were William H. Critser, Dr. Forest A. Cornwell, Julian McGill of Due West, N. C. and Charles D. Tomlinson of New York City.

For her daughter's wedding, Mrs. Roberts wore a dress of light blue silk organza with white accessories. Her corsage was of pink rosebuds. The mother of the



MRS. EDWARD DOUGLAS GILMER

groom was attired in a green and white shantung dress with black accessories. She had a yellow carnation corsage.

THE HOME of the bride's par-

ents was the scene of the reception. Aides were Mrs. Howard Pettry, Mrs. C. L. Garretson, Miss Martha Garretson, Mrs. Felix Craig, Mrs. I. H. Fink, Mrs. J. M. Collins and Susan Pettry.

- Edward died 10 December 20, in Morgantown, West Virginia, and is buried in Russell Memorial Cemetery, in Lebanon, Russell County, Virginia.

Headstone photo of Edward Gilmer found on findagrave.com



- Grandfather Edward Theophilus Gilmer, Jr. was born 20 May 1900, in Lebanon, Virginia, to Edward “Tot” Theophilus Gilmer, Sr., and Ida Utah Vermillion.
- In 1900, Edward lived in Lebanon, Russell County, Virginia, with his parents, and six siblings. His father was a farmer and owned his farm outright. Edward’s sister Dora was a schoolteacher. They lived between two other Gilmer families, likely Edward’s brothers, who were also farmers.

1900 U.S. Census

Name	Relationship	Sex	Age	Birth Date	Birth Place	Parents Birth Place	Marital Status	Occupation	Can Read	Can Write
Edwards, E. Theophilus, Jr.	Head	M	20	May 20, 1880	Virginia	Virginia	Married	Farmer	Yes	Yes
Ida	Wife	F	25	Sept 1854	Virginia	Virginia	Married		Yes	Yes
Norma	Daughter	F	7	Sept 1892	Virginia	Virginia	Single	School Teacher	Yes	Yes
Mattie	Daughter	F	7	Jan 1890	Virginia	Virginia	Single		Yes	Yes
Charles	Son	M	7	June 1891	Virginia	Virginia	Single	Farm Laborer	Yes	Yes
Marcellus	Son	M	7	Dec 1892	Virginia	Virginia	Single	At School	Yes	Yes
Benjamin	Son	M	7	Sept 1891	Virginia	Virginia	Single	At School	Yes	Yes
Mary C.	Daughter	F	7	Mar 1899	Virginia	Virginia	Single	At School	Yes	Yes
Edward	Son	M	7	May 1900	Virginia	Virginia	Single			

- In 1910, Edward lived in Lebanon, Russell County, Virginia, with his parents, and three sisters. His father was a laborer, and a farmer who owned his own farm, and could read and write.

1910 U.S. Census

Name	Relationship	Sex	Age	Birth Date	Birth Place	Parents Birth Place	Marital Status	Occupation	Can Read	Can Write
Gilmer Edward	Son	M	10	May 20, 1900	Virginia	Virginia	Single	Laborer	Yes	Yes
Ida	Wife	F	51	Sept 1854	Virginia	Virginia	Married	None	Yes	Yes
Dora	Daughter	F	21	Sept 1889	Virginia	Virginia	Single	None	Yes	Yes
Mattie	Daughter	F	20	Jan 1890	Virginia	Virginia	Single	None	Yes	Yes
Mary	Daughter	F	21	Mar 1899	Virginia	Virginia	Single	None	Yes	Yes
Theophilus	Son	M	9	Sept 1891	Virginia	Virginia	Single	None	Yes	Yes



- In 1917, Edward registered for the WWI Draft. He lived in Russell County, Virginia, had a slender build, was medium height, had brown hair, and gray eyes.

U.S., World War I Draft Registration Cards, 1917-1918

**REGISTRATION CARD**

SERIAL NUMBER: 10311 ORDER NUMBER: 2117

1. Name: *Edwards, Theophilus Gilmer*

2. HOME ADDRESS: *B.P.O. Lebanon Russell Va*

3. Age in Years: 18 Date of Birth: *Max 20 1900*

RACE:  White  Negro  Oriental  Indian

U.S. CITIZEN:  Naturalized  Citizen by Father's Naturalization Before President's Majesty  Declarant  Non-declarant

15. PRESENT OCCUPATION: *Farmer* EMPLOYER'S NAME:

16. PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT OR BUSINESS: *B.P.O. Lebanon Russell Va*

19. NEAREST RELATIVE: Name *E. T. Gilmer* Address *B.P.O. Lebanon Russell Va*

I AFFIRM THAT I HAVE VERIFIED ABOVE ANSWERS AND THAT THEY ARE TRUE

Edwards, Theophilus Gilmer

**45-2-45C REGISTRAR'S REPORT**

DESCRIPTION OF REGISTRANT

HEIGHT			BUILD			COLOR OF EYES	COLOR OF HAIR
Tall	Medium	Short	Slender	Medium	Stout		
21	22 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	23	24 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	25	26	27 <i>Grey</i>	28 <i>Brown</i>

29. Has person lost arm, leg, hand, eye, or is he obviously physically disqualified? (Specify): *M*

30. I certify that my answers are true; that the person registered has read or has had read to him his own answers; that I have witnessed his signature or mark, and that all of his answers of which I have knowledge are true, except as follows:

Date of Registration: *Sept 17/18* *Lebanon, Va.*

Local Board for the County of Russell, State of Virginia, Cleveland, Va. (STAMP OF LOCAL BOARD)

- In 1920, Edward lived on the Lebanon-Abingdon Turn Pike, in Lebanon, Russell County, Virginia, with his parents, and sister Mattie. He could read and write, and while twenty-years old, he was attending school. His father was a farmer and owned his farm outright.

1920 U.S. Census

Name	Sex	Age	Mar	Color	Height	Weight	Complexion	Education	Profession	Industry	Occupation	Value of Real Estate	Value of Personal Estate
<i>Gilmer Edward M</i>	<i>M</i>	<i>20</i>	<i>N</i>	<i>W</i>	<i>5' 6"</i>	<i>125</i>	<i>Fair</i>	<i>None</i>	<i>None</i>	<i>None</i>	<i>None</i>	<i>None</i>	<i>None</i>
<i>Ida E</i>	<i>F</i>	<i>46</i>	<i>M</i>	<i>W</i>	<i>5' 10"</i>	<i>161</i>	<i>Fair</i>	<i>None</i>	<i>Farmer</i>	<i>Farmer</i>	<i>None</i>	<i>None</i>	
<i>Mattie E</i>	<i>F</i>	<i>18</i>	<i>S</i>	<i>W</i>	<i>5' 10"</i>	<i>139</i>	<i>Fair</i>	<i>None</i>	<i>None</i>	<i>None</i>	<i>None</i>	<i>None</i>	
<i>Edward P</i>	<i>M</i>	<i>20</i>	<i>S</i>	<i>W</i>	<i>5' 6"</i>	<i>125</i>	<i>Fair</i>	<i>None</i>	<i>None</i>	<i>None</i>	<i>None</i>	<i>None</i>	

- In 1930, Edward lived alone on Broad Street, in Saint Paul, Wise County, Virginia. He was a Methodist Minister, rented his house, did not own a radio, and could read and write.

1930 U.S. Census

Name	Sex	Age	Mar	Color	Height	Weight	Complexion	Education	Profession	Industry	Occupation	Value of Real Estate	Value of Personal Estate
<i>Gilmer Edward M</i>	<i>M</i>	<i>30</i>	<i>M</i>	<i>W</i>	<i>5' 6"</i>	<i>125</i>	<i>Fair</i>	<i>High School</i>	<i>Minister</i>	<i>None</i>	<i>None</i>	<i>None</i>	

- Edward married Alice Eastman Hale on 14 June 1932, in Hamblen, Tennessee.

Tennessee, U.S., Marriage Records, 1780-2002

STATE OF TENNESSEE, HAMBLEN COUNTY

Know all Men, That we, Rev. Edward T. Gilmer

of the County of Hamblen and State of Tennessee, are held and firmly bound unto the State of Tennessee in the sum of Twelve Hundred and Fifty Dollars, to which payment, well and truly to be made, we bind our heirs, executors, and administrators, and each and every one of us and them, both jointly and severally, firmly by these presents.

The Condition of the above Obligation is Such, That whereas Rev. Edward T. Gilmer 28 hath  
prayed and obtained a license to marry Alice E. Hale 28 Now, if there shall  
not hereafter appear any lawful cause why the said Rev. Edward T. Gilmer and  
Alice E. Hale should not be joined together in Holy Matrimony as  
husband and wife, then this obligation to be void and of no effect; otherwise to remain in full force and virtue.

Witness our hands and seals, the 14 day of June, 1932

Edward T. Gilmer (Seal.)  
W. Kemp Justice (Seal.)

No. \_\_\_\_\_ MARRIAGE BATH

Edward and Alice's wedding announcement published in The Bristol News Bulletin, in Bristol, Tennessee, on 14 May 1932, found on newspapers.com

**Gilmer-Hale**

Mrs. George D. Hale of Rogersville, Tennessee, announces the engagement of her daughter, Alice Eastman, and the Reverend Edward T. Gilmer, formerly of Lebanon, Virginia, the marriage to be solemnized in June.

- In 1940, Edward lived in Beckley, Raleigh, West Virginia, with his wife and son Edward, Jr. He was an insurance agent, and had completed three years of college, rented the house for \$25 a month, and made \$1,200 a year. His wife Alice had completed one year of high school.
- Edward registered for the WWII Draft, while living at Beckley, Raleigh County, West Virginia. His employer was Mutual Life Insurance Company. He was 5'7" tall, 160lbs., had brown hair, hazel eyes, and a ruddy complexion.

U.S., World War II Draft Cards Young Men, 1940-1947

REGISTRATION CARD—(Men born on or after February 17, 1897 and on or before December 31, 1921)

SERIAL NUMBER **1608** 1. NAME (Print) **Edward J. Gilmer, Jr.** ORDER NUMBER **10048**

T. **Beckley, W. Va.**

2. PLACE OF RESIDENCE (Print) **Beckley, W. Va.**

3. MAILING ADDRESS **Box 1504 Beckley, W. Va.**

4. TELEPHONE **Beckley 3831** 5. AGE IN YEARS **42** 6. PLACE OF BIRTH **Lebanon, W. Va.**

7. NAME AND ADDRESS OF PERSON WHO WILL ALWAYS KNOW YOUR ADDRESS **Wife, Alice H. Gilmer, Beckley, W. Va.**

8. EMPLOYER'S NAME AND ADDRESS **Mutual Life Ins. Co.**

9. PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT OR BUSINESS **New York, N. Y.**

I AFFIRM THAT I HAVE VERIFIED ABOVE ANSWERS AND THAT THEY ARE TRUE.

D. S. S. Form 1 (Revised 1-1-42) (over) ☆ GPO 16-21630-1 **Edward J. Gilmer, Jr.** (Registrar's signature)

REGISTRAR'S REPORT

DESCRIPTION OF REGISTRANT			
RACE	HEIGHT (Approx.)	WEIGHT (Approx.)	COMPLEXION
White <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	5-7	160	Brown
Negro	Blue	Blonde	Ruddy <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Oriental	Gray	Red	Dark
Indian	Hazel <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Brown <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Freckled
Philippine	Brown	Black	Light brown
	Black	Gray	Dark brown
		Bald	Black

Other obvious physical characteristics that will aid in identification.

I certify that my answers are true; that the person registered has read or has had read to him his own answers; that I have witnessed his signature or mark and that all of his answers of which I have knowledge are true, except as follows:

Registrar for Local Board **Blaise H. Crank**

Date of registration **Feb. 16, 1942**

LOCAL BOARD # 1, SELECTIVE SERVICE  
107 S. FAYETTE STREET  
BECKLEY (RALEIGH COUNTY), W. VA.  
(STAMP OF LOCAL BOARD)

(The stamp of the Local Board having jurisdiction of the registrant shall be placed in the above space)

- In 1950, Edward lived in Beckley, Raleigh County, West Virginia, with his wife, son Edward, Jr, and his mother-in-law. He was the owner/manager of an insurance company and had worked eighty hours the previous week.
- Edward died 24 March 1984, in Beckley, Raleigh County, West Virginia, and is buried in Russell Memorial Cemetery, in Lebanon, Russell County, Virginia.

Headstone photo for Edward Gilmer, Jr., found on findagrave.com



Obituary for Edward Gilmer, Jr., published in the Kingsport Times-News, in Kingsport, Tennessee, on 29 March 1984, found on newspapers.com

**Edward Gilmer Jr.**

LEBANON, Va. — Edward T. Gilmer Jr., 84, died in Beckley, W.Va.

A native of Russell County, Va., he had lived in Beckley, W.Va., for many years. He was the founder and owner of Gilmer Insurance Agency in Beckley.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Alice Hale Gilmer, Beckley, W.Va.; one son, Douglas E. Gilmer, Beckley, W.Va.; and two grandchildren.

Memorial graveside services will be conducted at 1:30 p.m. Saturday at Russell Memorial Cemetery in Lebanon, Va., with the Rev. James S. Pollock officiating.

Russell County Funeral Home in Lebanon, Va., is in charge of the arrangements.

- Great-Grandfather Edward “Tot” Theophilus Gilmer, Sr, was born 17 July 1854, in Russell County, Virginia, to Cummings Gilmer, and Mary Polly Browning.
- In 1860, Tot lived in Lebanon, Russell County, Virginia, with his parents, and twelve siblings. His father was a farmer, and his real estate was valued at \$22,440, and his personal estate valued at \$3,000. This is very large for the time period. Next door lived Samuel Gilman, likely Tot’s father’s brother, and his real estate was valued at \$48,000.

1860 U.S. Census

Cummings Lebanon	61	m	Farmer	✓	22,440	3,000
Mary	41	f				
John G.	34	m	School Teacher	✓		
Martha J.	20	f				
William R.	20	m	Farmer	✓		
Charles B.	18	m	do	✓		
Cummings	16	m	do	✓		
Sarah	14	f				
James W.	12	m				
Abby	9	m				
Wm. H.	7	m				
Edward J.	5	m				
Thomas J.	3	m				
Marcellus G.	1	m				
Franklin P. Gilman	1	m				
Samuel G. Gilman	68	m	Farmer	✓	48,000	18,000

- In 1870, Tot lived in Lebanon, Russell County, Virginia, with his parents, and eleven siblings. He was a farm laborer, likely on his father's farm. His father was a farmer, and his real estate was valued at \$8,000, and personal estate valued at \$1,500.

1870 U.S. Census

Gilmer	Cummings	71	m	w	Farmer	8000	1500	Virginia
"	Mary	52	f	w	Helping house			Virginia
"	Charles	28	m	w	works on farm		400	Virginia
"	Martha	37	f	w	at home nurse			Virginia
"	Sarah	24	f	w	at home			Virginia
"	James	21	m	w	works on farm			Virginia
"	Vincent	17	m	w	works on farm			Virginia
"	Edward	15	m	w	works on farm			Virginia
"	Thomas	13	m	w	works on farm			Virginia
"	Marcellus	11	m	rx	at home			Virginia
"	Franklin	11	m	w	at home			Virginia
"	Elsie	40	f	B	Domestic servant			Virginia
"	Thomas	8	f	B	at home			Virginia
"	John	5	m	B	at home			Virginia

- Tot married Ida Utah Vermillion on 17 October 1877, in Russell County, Virginia.

Marriage license for Edward and Ida, found on ancestry.com



**MARRIAGE LICENSE**

Virginia, *Russell County* to wit:

**To any Person Licensed to Celebrate Marriages:**  
 You are hereby authorized to join together in the Holy State of Matrimony, according to the rites and ceremonies of your Church, or religious denomination, and the laws of the Commonwealth of Virginia, *Edward J. Gilmer* and *Ida W. Vermillion*.

GIVEN under my hand, as Clerk of the *County* Court of *Russell County* this *17* day of *October* 1877. *V. B. Gilmer* Clerk

**CERTIFICATE TO OBTAIN A MARRIAGE LICENSE.**  
To be Annexed to the License, required by Acts passed 25th March, 1862, and February 27th, 1866.

Time of Marriage, <i>17<sup>th</sup> Inst</i>	Condition of Wife, (widowed or single) <i>single</i>
Place of Marriage, <i>Russell County Va</i>	Place of Husband's Birth, <i>Russell Co Va</i>
Full Names of Parties Married, <i>Edward J. Gilmer &amp; Ida W. Vermillion</i>	Place of Wife's Birth, <i>Russell Co Va</i>
Color, <i>White</i>	Place of Husband's Residence, <i>Russell Co Va</i>
Age of Husband, <i>23 years</i>	Place of Wife's Residence, <i>Russell Co Va</i>
Age of Wife, <i>19 years</i>	Names of Husband's Parents, <i>Carroll &amp; Mary</i>
Condition of Husband, (widowed or single) <i>single</i>	Names of Wife's Parents, <i>Benj. &amp; G.</i>
Given under my hand this <i>17</i> day of <i>October</i> 1877. <i>V. B. Gilmer</i> Clerk	Occupation of Husband, <i>Farmer</i>

**MINISTER'S RETURN OF MARRIAGE.**

I Certify, That on the *18<sup>th</sup>* day of *Oct* 1877 at the *brick factory* I united in Marriage the above-named and described parties, under authority of the annexed License. *W. N. Buehler*

\*The Minister celebrating a marriage, is required, within TEN days thereafter, to return the license to the Office of the Clerk who issued the same, with an endorsement thereon of the FACT of such marriage, and of the TIME and PLACE of celebrating the same.

- In 1880, Tot lived in Lebanon, Russell County, Virginia, with his wife and daughters Dora and Martha, and a twelve-year-old black boy named William Gray. He was a farm hand. William was a servant.

1880 U.S. Census

<i>Edmond Admonia</i>	<i>W m 25</i>		<i>1</i>	<i>farm hand</i>	<i>✓</i>
<i>Ida</i>	<i>W f 21</i>	<i>Wife</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>Keeping house</i>	
<i>Dora</i>	<i>W f 1</i>	<i>D.</i>	<i>✓</i>		
<i>Martha</i>	<i>W f 6</i>	<i>Jan D</i>	<i>✓</i>		
<i>Gray William</i>	<i>B m 12</i>	<i>Servant</i>	<i>1</i>		

- In 1900, Tot lived in Lebanon, Russell County, Virginia, with his wife and seven children. He was a farmer and owned his farm outright. His daughter Dora was a schoolteacher. They lived between two other Gilmer families, likely Tot's brothers, who were also farmers.
- In 1910, Tot lived in Lebanon, Russell County, Virginia, with his wife and four children. He was a laborer, and a farmer who owned his own farm, and could read and write.
- In 1920, Tot lived on the Lebanon-Abingdon Turn Pike, in Lebanon, Russell County, Virginia, with his wife, son Edward, Jr., and daughter Mattie. He was a farmer and owned his farm outright
- In 1930, Tot lived in Lebanon, Russell County, Virginia, with his daughter Mattie. He was widowed, lived on a farm, did not own a radio set, and his home was valued at \$3,000. He did not have an occupation.

1930 U.S. Census

Lebanon	Head	3000	Male	White	Single	Virginia	Virginia	74	None	None
Mattie E.	Daughter		Female	White	Single	Virginia	Virginia	74	None	None

- Tot died of carcinoma of the stomach, on 6 April 1941, in Lebanon, Russell County, Virginia, and is buried in Russell Memorial Cemetery, in Lebanon, Russell County, Virginia.

Virginia, U.S., Death Records, 1912-2014

2-21-40-00M. MARGIN RESERVED FOR BINDING. PLEASE WRITE PLAINLY, WITH UNFADING INK. Every item of information should be carefully supplied. The correct age is especially important. Physicians: please write the cause of death clearly and legibly.

Form V, S. 12

**CERTIFICATE OF DEATH**  
COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA  
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH  
BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS

State File No. **10944**  
Registered No. **14**

1. PLACE OF DEATH  
(a) County Russell Registration district No. 830-a  
(b) Magisterial district Lebanon  
(c) City or town Lebanon  
(d) Name of hospital or institution  
(e) Length of stay in hosp. or inst. no In this community (Specify whether years, months, or days)  
(f) Is place of death within corporate limits?

2. USUAL RESIDENCE OF DECEASED  
(a) State VA  
(b) County Russell  
(c) City or town Lebanon VA  
(d) Street No.  
(e) Is place of residence within corporate limits? no  
(f) If foreign birth, how long in U. S. At no Years

3. (a) FULL NAME E. J. Gilmer  
(b) If veteran, name war no

4. Sex male 5. Color or race white 6. (a) Single, married, widowed, divorced, married

7. Date of birth of deceased July 17 (Month by name) (Day) (Year)

8. Age: 86 Years 8 Months 20 Days If less than one day, no hours no min.

9. Birthplace VA (City, town, or county) (State or foreign country)

10. Usual occupation farmer

11. Industry or business

12. Name Ervinga Gilmer  
(b) Birthplace VA (City, town, or county) (State or foreign country)

13. Maiden name Mary F. Blasing  
(b) Birthplace VA (City, town, or county) (State or foreign country)

16. (a) Informant's own status Ben Gilmer  
(b) Address Lebanon VA

17. (a) Burial, cremation, or removal? Burial  
(b) Place Russell Memorial Cemetery Date March 7 1941 (Month by name) (Day) (Year)

18. (a) Signature of registrar Lebanon Registrar  
(b) Address Lebanon VA

19. (a) Filed March 13 1941 (Date received by reg.) (b) Mrs. A. D. Hunt (Local, deputy, or sub-registrar's own signature)

20. Date of death April 6 19 41 (Month by name) (Day) (Year) at 6 M (Hour)

21. I hereby certify that I attended the deceased from March 27 19 41 to April 5 19 41; that I last saw him alive on April 5 19 41; and that death occurred on the date and hour stated above.  
Immediate cause of death: Heart failure (congestive)  
Due to Carcinoma of stomach 2 yrs  
Due to 046B  
Other conditions (Include pregnancy within 3 months of death)

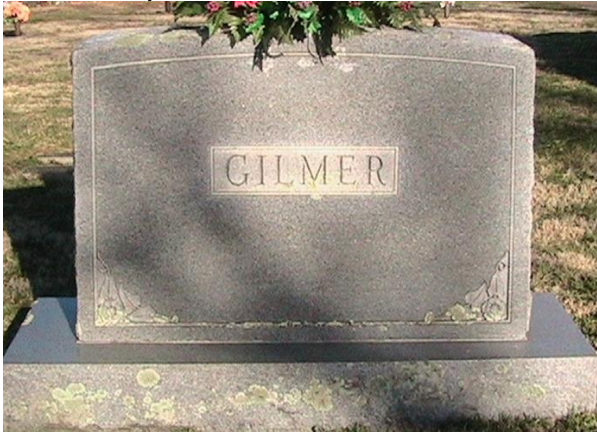
Name of operation none  
Date of operation \_\_\_\_\_ Major findings: (a) of operations \_\_\_\_\_  
(b) of autopsy \_\_\_\_\_

22. If death was due to external causes fill in the following:  
(a) Accident, suicide, or homicide (specify)  
(b) Date of occurrence  
(c) Where did injury occur? (City or town) (County) (State)  
(d) Did injury occur in or about home, on farm, in industrial place, in public place? While at work?  
(e) Means of injury

23. Signature W. C. Elliott M. D., Cor. 1  
Address Lebanon VA Date signed 5/5/41

Physician Underline the primary cause to which death should be charged statistically.

Headstone photos for Edward "Tot" Gilmer, found on findagrave.com



Obituary for Edward "Tot" Gilmer, published in The Bristol Herald Courier, in Bristol, Tennessee, on 7 April 1941, found on newspapers.com

**E. T. GILMER**  
**Special To The Herald Courier.**  
LEBANON, Va., April 6. — E. T. (Tot) Gilmer, 86, prominent farmer and widely known in Russell county, died at his home two miles east of Lebanon this morning.  
He was the last survivor of a family of 13 children, and was a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Cummings Gilmer.  
Born in Russell county, he had spent his entire life near his birthplace.  
Surviving are the following children: Mrs. Walter Ferguson and Miss Mattie Gilmer of Lebanon; C. H. and M. G. Gilmer of Matoaka, W. Va.; Mrs. F. L. Ketron and Mrs. B. F. Gilmer of Lebanon; and E. T. Gilmer, Jr., of Beckley, W. Va. Also surviving are 14 grandchildren.  
His wife died several years ago.  
Funeral services will be conducted from the home at 3 p. m. Monday. Interment will follow in the Russell Memorial cemetery.



Photo said to be of Tot Gilmer and family, likely from circa 1920, found on ancestry.com



- 2<sup>nd</sup> Great-Grandfather Cummings Gilmer was born 9 March 1799, in Lebanon, Russell County, Virginia, to William Morgan Gilmer, and Martha Edmiston.
- In 1830, Cummings lived in Russell County, Virginia, with one other family member.
- Cummings married Mary Browning, about 1833, likely in Russell County, Virginia.
- In 1840, Cummings lived in Russell County, Virginia, with six other family members. One person was employed in agriculture.

- In 1850, Cummings, lived in Russell County, Virginia, with his wife, and eight children. He was a farmer, and his real estate was valued at \$8,000.

1850 U.S. Census

Cummings Gilmer	51	M	Farmer	8000	
Polly	31	F			
Mary Ann	15	F			
John C	14	M			
Martha J	12	F			
William C R	10	M			
Charles H	8	M			
Cummings	6	M			
Harriet	4	F			
James W	2	M			

- In 1850, Cummings owned two slaves. A nineteen-year-old female, and a two-year-old mulatto boy.

1850 U.S. Federal Census- Slave Schedules

	1	2	M	B
Cummings Gilmer	1	19	F	B
	1	2	M	M

- In 1860, Cummings lived in Lebanon, Russell County, Virginia, with his wife and thirteen children. He was a farmer, and his real estate was valued at \$22,440, and his personal estate valued at \$3,000. This is very large for the time period. Next door lived Samuel Gilman, likely Tot's father's brother, and his real estate was valued at \$48,000.
- In 1860, Cummings owned three slaves. A twenty-six-year-old woman, a four-year-old female, and a one-year-old female. Samuel Gilmore likely his brother owned fifteen slaves, and John Browning, likely his brother-in-law, owned fourteen slaves.

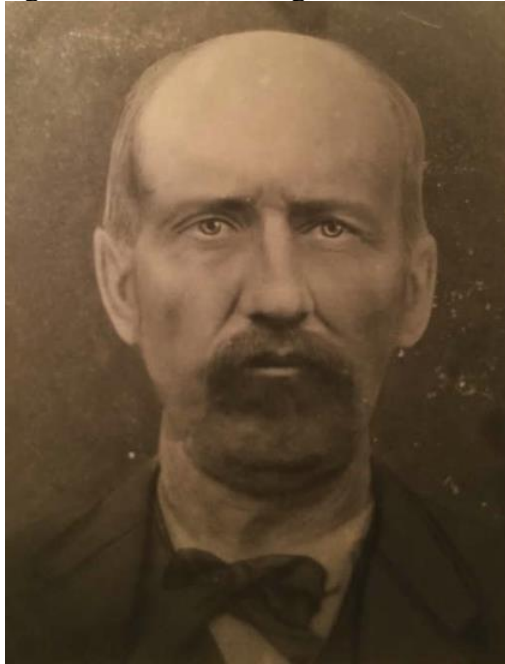
1860 U.S. Federal Census- Slave Schedules

Cummings Gilmer	26	f	B
	4	f	B
	3	1	m B

- In 1870, Cummings lived in Lebanon, Russell County, Virginia, with his wife and twelve children. He was a farmer, and his real estate was valued at \$8,000, and personal estate valued at \$1,500.

- Cummings died 19 January 1871, in Lebanon, Russell County, Virginia.

Photo or chalking said to be Cummings Gilmer, circa 1850, found on ancestry.com



- 3<sup>rd</sup> Great-Grandparents William Morgan Gilmer and Martha Edminston.
- More can be learned about these ancestors in the Settles Package.
  
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Great-Grandmother Mary Polly Browning was born 29 May 1818, in Russell County, Virginia, to John Browning and Sarah Sally Burk.
- Polly married Cummings Gilmer, about 1833, likely in Russell County, Virginia. Her story matches her husbands until his death in 1871.
- In 1880, Polly lived in Lebanon, Russell County, Virginia, with her sister or sister-in-law, Arminda, and her much younger brother-in-law James Childers., she was a widow and could read but not write.

1880 U.S. Census

Browning Mary	W	f	61				1	Keeping house	
Schultz James	W	m	22	Brother in Law			1	Farmer	
Arminde	W	f	41	Wife			1	Asst H.K.	

- Polly died in October 1882, in Russell County, Virginia.
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Great-Grandparents John Browning and Sarah Sally Burk.
- More can be learned about these ancestors in the Settles Package.

- Great-Grandmother Ida Utah Vermillion was born 29 September 1858, in Lebanon, Russell County, Virginia, to Benjamin Franklin Vermillion, and Mary Catherine Reynolds.
- In 1860, Ida lived in New Castle, Russell County, Virginia, with her parents and one sister. Her father was a farmer, and his personal estate was valued at \$500.

1860 U.S. Census

Benjamin Vermillion	29	m	Farmer	✓	500
Mary C.	20	f			
Ida U.	1	f			
Ellis M.	4	f			

- In 1870, Ida lived in Lebanon, Russell County, Virginia, with her parents and four siblings. Her father was a farmer, and his personal estate was valued at \$500. Both sets of her grandparents lived in the next two houses.

1870 U.S. Census

Vermillion	Benjamin	F	32	M	W	Farmers		500	Virginia
"	Ida	F	30	F	W	Keeping house			Virginia
"	Ida	F	11	F	W	at home			Virginia
"	Alice	F	10	F	W	at home			Virginia
"	Della	F	8	F	W	at home			Virginia
"	Eliza	F	5	F	W	at home			Virginia
"	Martha	F	2	F	W	at home			Virginia
Riley	Gosby	F	33	F	W	going to school			Virginia
Vermillion	Frederic	M	7 1/2	M	W	Farmers	5000	200	V.
"	Ordinca	F	4 1/2	F	W	Keeping house			V.
Reynolds	Ida	F	46	M	W	Farmers	14000	200	Virginia
"	Leah	F	47	F	W	Keeping house			Virginia
"	Eliza	F	20	F	W	at home keeping			Virginia
"	Hannie	F	2	F	W	at home			Virginia

- Ida married Edward "Tot" Gilmer Vermillion on 17 October 1877, in Russell County, Virginia. Her story matches her husbands until her death.
- Ida died of cancer of the breast and liver on 5 June 1925, in Russell County, Virginia, and is buried in Russell Memorial Cemetery, in Lebanon, Russell County, Virginia.



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**CERTIFICATE OF DEATH**  
COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA  
BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS  
STATE BOARD OF HEALTH

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1 PLACE OF DEATH  
COUNTY OF *Russell*  
MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT OF *Lebanon Va*  
OR  
INC. TOWN OF  
OR  
CITY OF (No. ST. WARD)

2 FULL NAME *Ida Utch Gilmer*  
(If death occurred in a hospital or other institution, give its NAME, instead of street and number)

(A) RESIDENCE, No. *Lebanon Va* ST. WARD (If non-resident give city or town and State)  
Length of residence in city or town where death occurred. *66* yrs. *8* mos. *6* ds. How long in U. S., if of foreign birth? yrs. mos. ds.

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

3 SEX *Female* 4 COLOR OR RACE *White* SINGLE, MARRIED, WIDOWED, OR DIVORCED (write the word) *Married*

5A IF MARRIED, WIDOWED, OR DIVORCED  
MARRIED TO *E. J. Gilmer*  
WIFE OF

6 DATE OF BIRTH (MONTH, DAY, AND YEAR, WRITE NAME OF MONTH) *Sept 29 1858*

7 AGE YEARS MONTHS DAYS IF LESS THAN 1 DAY, HRS OR MIN. *66 8 6*

8 OCCUPATION OF DECEASED:  
(A) TRADE, PROFESSION, OR PARTICULAR KIND OF WORK *farmers wife*  
(B) GENERAL NATURE OF INDUSTRY, BUSINESS, OR ESTABLISHMENT IN WHICH EMPLOYED (OR EMPLOYER) *housekeeper*  
(C) NAME OF EMPLOYER *E. J. Gilmer*

9 BIRTHPLACE (CITY OR TOWN) *Lebanon Va*  
(STATE OR COUNTRY) *Russell*

10 NAME OF FATHER *B. F. Vermillion*

11 BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER (CITY OR TOWN) *Elk Garden*  
(STATE OR COUNTRY) *Va.*

12 MOTHER'S NAME OF MOTHER *Mary Katherine Reynolds*

13 BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER (CITY OR TOWN) *Lebanon Va*  
(STATE OR COUNTRY) *Va Russell Co.*

14 INFORMANT *Mrs Frank Ketron*  
(Address) *Lebanon Va*

15 FILED *July 10 1925* *Arthur M. Mump* REGISTRAR

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

16 DATE OF DEATH (MONTH, DAY, AND YEAR, WRITE NAME OF MONTH) *June 5 1925*

17 I HEREBY CERTIFY, THAT I ATTENDED DECEASED FROM *May 1 1924* TO *May 29 1925*

THAT I LAST SAW HIM ALIVE ON *May 29 1925*

AND THAT DEATH OCCURRED, ON DATE STATED ABOVE, AT *9 P M*,  
THE CAUSE OF DEATH\* WAS AS FOLLOWS:  
*Cancer of Breast & Liver*

(DURATION) *1* YRS. *8* MOS. *6* DS.

CONTRIBUTORY (SECONDARY) (DURATION) YRS. MOS. DS.

18 WHERE WAS DISEASE CONTRACTED IF NOT AT PLACE OF DEATH?

DID AN OPERATION PRECEDE DEATH? *Yes* DATE OF *May 23 25*

WHAT TEST CONFIRMED DIAGNOSIS? *Microscopical*  
(signed) *A. K. Gilmer* M. D.  
*June 7 1925* (Address) *R. L. Gilmer*

19 PLACE OF BURIAL, CREMATION, OR RE-INTERMENT: DATE OF BURIAL  
*Gilmer home yard* *6-7-25*

20 UNDERTAKER *Russell Hardware Co*  
ADDRESS *Lebanon Va*

Headstone photo of Ida Vermillion found on findagrave.com



- 2<sup>nd</sup> Great-Grandfather Benjamin Franklin Vermillion was born 23 May 1838, in Russell County, Virginia, to Jesse Vermillion, and Obedience Biddy Elliott.
- In 1850, Benjamin lived in Russell County, Virginia, with his parents, and five siblings. His father was a farmer, and his real estate was valued at \$2,300.

- 1850 U.S. Census

Jesse Vermillion	33	M	Farmer	2900
Obedience	"	42	F	
Mary	"	18	F	
George W.	"	14	M	Farmer
Rebecca	"	15	F	
Benjamin W.	"	13	M	
James	"	7	M	
Harriet	"	1	F	

- Benjamin married Mary Catherine Reynolds on 10 December 1857, in Russell County, Virginia.
- In 1860, Benjamin lived in New Castle, Russell County, Virginia, with his wife and two daughters. He was a farmer, and his personal estate was valued at \$500.
- Benjamin served in the Civil War as a Private in Company A, 16<sup>th</sup> Virginia Cavalry, Confederate. Benjamin enlisted on 1 January 1863, in Lebanon, Russell County, Virginia, for three years. He was present with his unit until 31 October 1863, when he was listed as "absent sick" until 31 October 1864. He was present with his unit again in November and December of 1864. During the time that he is listed as present, his unit fought in the Battles of Chancellorsville (May 1863), Gettysburg (July 1863) and the Richmond Petersburg Campaign (June 1864-March 1865). No records are found of him being with his unit after 31 December 1864, but he could have been present. The unit wasn't mustered out until after Appomattox in April 1865.

Civil War records for Benjamin Vermillion found on fold3.com

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Vermillion Benjamin

Co. A, 16 Virginia Cavalry.

Formed Jan. 15, 1863, by the consolidation of six companies of Ferguson's Batt'n Va. Cav. with four companies of Caldwell's Batt'n Va. Cav.

**(Confederate.)**

Private Private

CARD NUMBERS.

1	5089/1498	20
2	1569	21
3	1621	22
4		23
5		24
6		25
7		26

**(Confederate.)**

V | 16 Cav. | Va.

Ben. F. Vermillion

Capt., Co. A, 16 Reg't Virginia Cavalry.

Appears on

**Company Muster Roll**

of the organization named above,

for Oct 31, 1863 to April, 1864  
dated April 1, 1864

Enlisted:

When Jan 1, 1863.

Where Lebanon Va

By whom Chas. E. Stevenson

Period 3 yrs

Last paid:

By whom Hard

To what time Oct 31, 1863.

Present or absent Present

Remarks:

**(Confederate.)**

V | 16 Cav. | Va.

Benjamin Vermillion

Capt., Co. A, 16 Reg't Virginia Cavalry.

Appears on

**Company Muster Roll**

of the organization named above,

for Oct 31, 1863 to Oct 31, 1864  
dated Nov 30, 1864

Enlisted:

When Jan 1, 1863.

Where Lebanon

By whom Chas. Stevenson

Period 3 yrs

Last paid:

By whom Capt Hard

To what time Oct 31, 1863

Present or absent Absent

Remarks: Absent sick

**(Confederate.)**

V | 16 Cav. | Va.

Ben. F. Vermillion

Capt., Co. A, 16 Reg't Virginia Cavalry.

Appears on

**Company Muster Roll**

of the organization named above,

for Nov Dec, 1864  
dated Dec 31, 1864

Enlisted:

When Jan 1, 1863.

Where Lebanon Va

By whom Capt C. E. Stevenson

Period 3 yrs

Last paid:

By whom Maj. Jenkins

To what time Aug 31, 1864

Present or absent Present

Remarks:

- In 1870, Benjamin lived in Lebanon, Russell County, Virginia, with his wife and five children. He was a farmer, and his personal estate was valued at \$500. Both sets of his parents and his in-laws lived in the next two houses.
- In 1880, Benjamin lived in New Lebanon, Russell County, Virginia, with his wife and two daughters. He was a farmer.

1880 U.S. Census

Vermillion Benjamin	W m 42		1	Farmer
Mary	W f 40	Wife	1	Keeping house
Ella	W f 15	Daughter		
Mattha	W f 12	Daughter		

- In 1900, Benjamin lived in Lebanon, Russell County, Virginia, with his wife, daughter Alice, her husband and six grandchildren. He was a farmer, owned his farm outright, and could read and write.

1900 U.S. Census

Vermillion Benjamin	Head	m	42	May 1857	62	7A	40	Virginia	Virginia	Virginia	Farmer	0
Mary C.	Wife	f	40	Jan 1840	59	7M	42	Virginia	Virginia	Virginia		
Alice	Daughter	f	22	Feb 1864	40	7M	22	Virginia	Virginia	Virginia		
Benjamin	Son	m	18	Mar 1879	21	7M	3	Virginia	Virginia	Virginia		
Mary A.	Daughter	f	18	Aug 1878	1	8		Virginia	Massachusetts	Virginia		
Helen	Daughter	f	18	Aug 1871	18	8		Virginia	Virginia	Virginia		
Pearl	Daughter	f	16	Jan 1874	16	8		Virginia	Virginia	Virginia	At School	
Blanche	Daughter	f	7	Jan 1892	7	8		Virginia	Virginia	Virginia	At School	4

- In 1910, Benjamin lived in Baylor, Russell County, Virginia, with his daughter Bettie Thomas, and their three children, as well as to servants James Cooper, and Maud Hendricks. He was widowed and a survivor of the Confederate Army. His son-in-law Jefferson Thomas was a farmer and rented his farm.

1910 U.S. Census

Benjamin	Head	m	53	May 1857	62	7A	40	Virginia	Virginia	Virginia	Farmer	0
Bettie	Wife	f	49	Jan 1840	59	7M	42	Virginia	Virginia	Virginia		
Glynn	Daughter	f	15	Feb 1864	40	7M	22	Virginia	Virginia	Virginia		
James	Son	m	11	Mar 1879	21	7M	3	Virginia	Virginia	Virginia		
James	Son	m	9	Aug 1878	1	8		Virginia	Virginia	Virginia		
Maud	Servant	f	21	Aug 1871	18	8		Virginia	Virginia	Virginia		
Maud	Servant	f	16	Jan 1874	16	8		Virginia	Virginia	Virginia	At School	4



- Benjamin had a fall on 7 August 1913, and died of paralysis, 15 October 1913, in Lebanon, Russell County, Virginia. He is buried in Lynch-Reynolds Cemetery, in Lebanon, Russell County Virginia.

Virginia, U.S., Death Records, 1912-2014

H. D. V. S., Form No. 12, 200M.—6-16-12.

**1. PLACE OF DEATH.**  
 County of Russell **CERTIFICATE OF DEATH**  
 District of Lebanon Registration District No. 830A File No. 30141  
 or Inc. Town of \_\_\_\_\_ Primary Registration District No. \_\_\_\_\_ Registered No. 13  
 or City of \_\_\_\_\_ (No. \_\_\_\_\_ St. \_\_\_\_\_ Ward \_\_\_\_\_) [If death occurred in a Hospital or Institution give its NAME instead of street and number.]

**2. FULL NAME** Beyersine Frankie Vermillion Residence In City \_\_\_\_\_ Yrs. \_\_\_\_\_ Mos. \_\_\_\_\_ Days \_\_\_\_\_

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS			MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH	
3 SEX <u>Male</u>	4 COLOR OR RACE <u>White</u>	5 SINGLE, MARRIED, WIDOWED, OR DIVORCED. <u>Widowed</u>	16 DATE OF DEATH <u>October 15</u> , 191 <u>3</u>	
6 DATE OF BIRTH <u>May 23</u> , 19 <u>38</u>	7 AGE <u>75</u> yrs. <u>7</u> mos. <u>22</u> ds. or min.?		17 I HEREBY CERTIFY, That I attended deceased from <u>Sept 26</u> , 191 <u>3</u> , to <u>Sept 30</u> , 191 <u>3</u> , that I last saw him alive on <u>Sept 30</u> , 191 <u>3</u> , and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at <u>9.0</u> m. The CAUSE OF DEATH* was as follows: <u>Paralysis</u>	
8 OCCUPATION (a) Trade, profession, or particular kind of work (b) General nature of industry, business, or establishment in which employed (or employer) <u>Farmer</u>			18 LENGTH OF RESIDENCE (For Hospitals, Institutions, Transients, or recent Residents) At place _____ yrs. _____ mos. _____ ds. In the _____ State _____ yrs. _____ mos. _____ ds. Where was disease contracted, if not at place of death? Former or usual Residence _____	
9 BIRTHPLACE (State or Country) <u>Russell County Va</u>			19 PLACE OF BURIAL OR REMOVAL, <u>5 Miles E. of Lebanon</u> DATE OF BURIAL <u>Oct 16</u> , 191 <u>3</u>	
10 NAME OF FATHER <u>Jesse Vermillion</u>			20 UNDERTAKER <u>John Hunt</u> ADDRESS <u>Lebanon Va</u>	
11 BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER (State or Country) <u>Russell County Va</u>				
12 MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER <u>Abelene Elliott</u>				
13 BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER (State or Country) <u>Russell County Va</u>				
14 THE ABOVE IS TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE (Informant) <u>E. F. Gilmer</u> (Address) <u>Lebanon, Va.</u>				
15 Filed <u>Dec. 16</u> , 191 <u>3</u> <u>J. B. Seacatt</u> LOCAL REGISTRAR				

Headstone photos for Benjamin Vermillion, found on findagrave.com



- 3<sup>rd</sup> Great Grandfather Jesse Vermillion, Jr. was born 2 May 1795, in Russell County, Virginia, to Jesse Vermillion, Sr., and Mary Polly Scott.
- Jesse served in the War of 1812, as a Private in in Captain William Cromwell's Company, Virginia Militia. Later in life he received a pension, and is on the Russell County, Virginia Pensioners List in 1840.

U.S., War of 1812 Pension Application Files Index, 1812-1815

WAR OF 1812	
NUMBERS	SOLDIER
	Vermillion Jesse
	WIDOW Vermillion Obedience
SO 24899	
SB 24882	SERVICE Capt. Wm Cromwells Co Va Mil.
	ENLISTED <span style="float: right;">DISCHARGED</span>

- In 1820, Jesse lived in Russell County, Virginia, with four other family members. One person was engaged in agriculture.
- Jesse married Nancy Obedience “Biddy” Elliott on 25 July 1827, in Russell County, Virginia.
- In 1840, Jesse lived in Russell County, Virginia, with five other family members, and one slave, a girl aged 10-23.
- In 1850, Jesse lived in Russell County, Virginia, with his wife and six children. He was a farmer, and his real estate was valued at \$2,300.
- In 1850, Jesse owned two slaves, a 21-year-old female and a 2-year-old mulatto boy.

1850 U.S. Federal Census- Slave Schedules

Jesse Vermillion	1	21	F	0
	1	2	M	M

- In 1860, Jesse lived in Lebanon, Russell County, Virginia, with his wife, son Jesse, and daughter Sarah. He was a farmer, and his real estate was valued at \$5,625, and his personal estate was valued at \$1,200. They lived just a few houses down from Ira & Leah Reynolds that are also in this tree.

1860 U.S. Census

Jesse Vermillion	67	m	Farmer	\$5625	1200
Biddy	51	f			
Jesse	18	m			
Sarah	10	f			

- In 1870, Jesse lived in Lebanon, Russell County, Virginia, with his wife. He was a farmer, and his real estate was valued at \$3,00, and his personal estate valued at \$500. They lived next from Ira & Leah Reynolds that are also in this tree.

1870 U.S. Census

Vermillion Jesse	72	m	w	Farmer	\$300	\$500
" Obedience	55	f	w	Keeping house		



- Jesse died 24 February 1877, in Russell County, Virginia.

Virginia, U.S., Wills, and Probate Records, 1652-1900

<p>Jesse Vermillion's Will</p>	<p>I Jesse Vermillion of Russell County and State of Virginia, do hereby make and publish my last Will &amp; testament in the following manner to wit.</p>
	<p>1<sup>st</sup> To my wife Biddy, I bequeath the farm on which I now live, and the farm I own in the New Garden, joining the land of Elijah Ferrell, Emory Thompson &amp; Henry Fuller and all my house hold &amp; kitchen furniture together with all my Horses, Cattle, Sheep and Hogs, my two horse Wagon, Searing, one wheat fan, together with all my farming utensils such as Sloughs, Harrow, hoes, Axes and all other discription of property on the farm to have and to hold during her life.</p>
	<p>2<sup>d</sup> To my son Benjamin H. Vermillion I bequeath the farm on which I now live after the death of my wife, the house hold &amp; kitchen furniture together with all the Horses, Cattle, Sheep &amp; Hogs and farming utensils, &amp; every other discription of property on hand at the death of my wife to be sold by my Executors, hereinafter named on a credit of twelve months or divided between my heirs if they can agree.</p>
	<p>3<sup>d</sup> To my daughter, Martha Fuller, my son George W. Vermillion, my daughter Mary Elliott, Rebecca Hargis &amp; Sarah McCormack I give the property named in the 2<sup>d</sup> section except the farm to be equally divided if they can agree, if not to be sold and the proceeds of sale to be equally divided between all my heirs named in this section.</p>
	<p>4<sup>th</sup> I desire that my son Benjamin H. take possession of my farm on which I now live and cultivate it in the best manner he can and divide the products as he and her may agree.</p>
	<p>5<sup>th</sup> After the death of my wife I desire that the farm in the New Garden mentioned in the 1<sup>st</sup> Clause, be sold or divided, and the proceeds divided, <del>between</del> between my daughter Martha Fuller, Rebecca Hargis, Mary Elliott and Sarah McCormack &amp; my son George W. Vermillion equally.</p>
	<p>6<sup>th</sup> I constitute and appoint my son Benjamin H. Vermillion &amp; my son in law Leonard S. Hargis my Executors, giving them power to sell at any time any surplus property may be on hand, and divide the proceeds between George W. Vermillion, Martha Fuller, Rebecca Hargis, Mary Elliott &amp; Sarah McCormack - Given under my hand and seal this 17<sup>th</sup> day of September 1865.</p>
	<p>Signed, read &amp; delivered in the presence of          Co. D. Kernan          Wilson Elliott          Jesse Vermillion (Seal)</p>




I add this following codicil to my Will in the 2<sup>d</sup> section of my will I bequeath the farm on which I now live to my son Benjamin J. Vermillion after the death of my wife, the farm consists of three acres all of which I give to Benjamin J. Vermillion after the death of my wife. Given under my hand and seal October 11<sup>th</sup> 1865:

Witness

E. D. Kernan

Wilson Elliott

Jesse Vermillion 

At a Court begun and held for Russell County at the Court House thereof on Tuesday the 20<sup>th</sup> day of March 1877

The last Will and Testament of Jesse Vermillion deceased was this day produced in court and proved by the oath of Wilson Elliott one of the subscribing witnesses thereto E. D. Kernan the other subscribing witness being dead J. C. Gent and Thomas M. Alderson were examined as witnesses to prove the signature of the said E. D. Kernan who being duly sworn depose and say that they are familiar with the hand writing of E. D. Kernan and that they are satisfied that the said Will was written by him and that the signature thereto as a witness to said will is the genuine signature of the said E. D. Kernan whereupon said will is ordered to be recorded and on motion of B. J. Vermillion and Leonard S. Hargis the Executors there in named who took the oath of Executors prescribed by law and entered into and acknowledged a bond in the sum of \$1000.00 together with Wilson Elliott and J. Hargis their securities thereto conditioned according to law. A certificate is therefore granted them for obtaining probate of said Will in due form.

Teste

W. B. Silmer D.C.

- 4<sup>th</sup> Great-Grandparents Jesse Vermillion, Sr., and Mary Polly Scott.
- More can be learned about these ancestors in the Settles Package.
- JESSE APPEARS TO BE A REVOLUTIONARY WAR PATRIOT

- 3<sup>rd</sup> Great-Grandmother Obedience “Biddy” Elliot was born 20 December 1807 in Russell County, Virginia, to James Peter Elliot, and Obedience Parsley.
- Biddy married Jesse Vermillion on 25 July 1827, in Russell County, Virginia. Her story matches her husbands until his death in 1877.
- In 1880 Biddy lived in Barbourville, Knox County, Kentucky, with her son George, his wife Mary, and George’s stepson. George was a farmer.

1880 U.S. Census

Jesse Vermillion	W	M	47				Farmer
Mary E	W	F	30	Wife	1		Keeping House
Obedience	W	F	73	Mother	1	1	None
James E. Ebbam	W	M	12	Step Son	1		Laborer on Farm

- Biddy died after 1880, likely in Barbourville, Knox County, Kentucky.

- 4<sup>th</sup> Great-Grandparents James Peter Elliott and Obedience Parsley.
- More can be learned about these ancestors in the Settles Package.

- 2<sup>nd</sup> Great-Grandmother Mary Catherine Reynolds was born 1 June 1840, in Russell County, Virginia, to Ira Reynolds, and Leah Fuller.
- In 1850, Mary lived in Russell County, Virginia, with her parents, and four siblings. Her father was a farmer, and his real estate was valued at \$2,100. This record says that her father was born in Henrico County, Virginia, but all other records seem to lead to Russell County, Virginia.

1850 U.S. Census

<i>Bra Reynolds</i>	-	<i>46</i>	<i>M</i>	<i>Farmer</i>	<i>2100</i>	<i>Henrico Co Va</i>
<i>Leah</i>	"	<i>47</i>	<i>F</i>	"		<i>Russell Co Va</i>
<i>Burnard</i>	"	<i>14</i>	<i>M</i>			<i>do</i>
<i>Imac</i>	"	<i>12</i>	<i>M</i>			<i>do</i>
<i>Johnson</i>	"	<i>10</i>	<i>M</i>			<i>do</i>
<i>Catharine</i>	"	<i>8</i>	<i>F</i>			<i>do</i>
<i>Elijah S</i>	"	<i>5</i>	<i>F</i>			<i>do</i>

- Mary married Benjamin Franklin Vermillion on 10 December 1857, in Russell County, Virginia. Her story matches her husbands until her death.
- Mary died 27 November 1906, in Russell County, Virginia, and is buried in Lynch-Reynolds Cemetery, in Lebanon, Russell County, Virginia.

Headstone photo for Mary Reynolds found on findagrave.com



- 3<sup>rd</sup> Great-Grandfather Ira Reynolds was born 27 November 1803, in Henrico County, Virginia, to Bernhard Henry Reynolds, and Lucy Johnston. Interestingly, his parents were born in Russell County, as was everyone else in this branch, so the family must have had him while visiting or living near Richmond, Virginia.
- Ira married Leah Fuller, on 12 April 1832, in Russell County, Virginia.
- In 1850, Ira lived in Russell County, Virginia, with his wife and five children. He was a farmer, and his real estate was valued at \$2,100. This record says that he was born in Henrico County, Virginia, as does his death record.
- In 1860, Ira lived in Lebanon, Russell County, Virginia, with his wife and four children. He was a farmer, and his real estate was valued at \$7,471, and his personal estate valued at \$1,200. His son's Johnson, and Isaac were also farmers and Isaac's personal estate was valued at \$1,600. They lived just a few houses down from Jesse & Bidly Vermillion that are also in this tree.

#### 1860 U.S. Census

Ira Reynolds	55	m	Farmer	✓	7471	1200
Leah	56	f				
Johnson	22	m	Farmer	✓		
Eliza	15	f				
Isaac Reynolds	25	m	Farmer	✓		1600
Sarah Reynolds	21	f				

- In 1870, Ira lived in Lebanon, Russell County, Virginia, with his wife, daughter Eliza, and likely granddaughter Minnie. Eliza and Minnie both has the same last name so Minnie may be an illegitimate child of Eliza. Minnie could be a child of one of Eliza's siblings also. More digging could be done to solve the mystery. Ira was a farmer, and his real estate was valued at \$4,000, and his personal estate valued at \$500. Ira's son Bernard lived next door, as did Jesse & Bidly Vermillion that are also in this tree.

#### 1870 U.S. Census

Vermillion Jesse	72	m	w	Farmer	3000	500
" Ordimer	45	f	w	Keeping house		
Reynolds Ira	65	m	w	Farmer	4000	500
" Leah	67	f	w	Keeping house		
" Eliza	26	f	w	at home keeper		
" Minnie	21	f	w	at home		
Reynolds Bernard	35	m	w	Farmer		400

- In 1880, Ira lived in Lebanon, Russell County, Virginia, with his son Barnett and his family. His son was a farmer.

1880 U.S. Census

Reynolds Barnett	W. J. 14	Wife	1	Huntington
Harsh	W. J. 43	wife	1	Keeping house
Ira	W. J. 76	father		Living in family
Sally	W. J. 13	Daughter	1	
Melissa	W. J. 10	"		

- Ira died of paralysis on 29 November 1885, in Russell County, Virginia, and is buried in Lynch-Reynolds Cemetery, in Lebanon, Russell County, Virginia.

Virginia, U.S., Death Registers, 1853-1911

Reynolds Ira	1	1	Nov. 29 1885	Russell	Paralysis	82
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Headstone photos for Ira Reynolds, found on findagrave.com





- 4<sup>th</sup> Great-Grandparents Bernhard Henry Reynolds and Lucy Johnston.
- More can be learned about these ancestors in the Settles Package.
- BERNHARD APPEARS TO BE A REVOLUTIONARY WAR PATRIOT, AND MAY HAVE FOUGHT IN THE BATTLE OF CAMDEN, AND WAS PRESENT FOR CORNWALLIS' SURRENDER AT YORKTOWN.

- 3<sup>rd</sup> Great-Grandmother Leah Fuller was born in 1803, in Russell County, Virginia, to Abraham Fuller, Sr., and Mary Sergeant.
- Leah married Ira Reynolds, on 12 April 1832, in Russell County, Virginia. Her story matches her husbands until her death.
- Leah died of typhoid fever, on 20 August 1872, in Russell County, Virginia, and is buried in Lynch-Reynolds Cemetery, in Lebanon, Russell County, Virginia. Many others on the same sheet died of typhoid in the area about the same time

Virginia, U.S., Death Registers, 1853-1911

Reynolds Leah	1	1	1	Mar 10	1872	Russell Co.	Consumption	69
Reynolds Leah	1	1	1	Aug 20	1872	Russell Co.	Typhoid fever	69

- 4<sup>th</sup> Great-Grandparents Abraham Fuller, Sr. and Mary Sergeant.
- More can be learned about these ancestors in the Settles Package.

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Beginning of Edward Douglas Gilmer's Mother's Side

- Grandmother Alice Eastman Hale was born on 23 January 1909, in Rogersville, Hawkins County, Tennessee, to George Douglas Hale, and Minnie Elizabeth Charles.

- In 1910, Alice lived on Broadway, in Rogersville, Hawkins County, Tennessee, with her parents, and five siblings. Her father was a farmer, owned his own far, but had a mortgage on in. Alice's brother Vance was an electrical engineer. Everyone could read and write. The neighborhood was integrated, and many black families lived among white families.

1910 U.S. Census

Hale George	Head	M	W	58	M	10	Tennessee	Tennessee	Tennessee	English	Farmer	General
Minnie	Wife	F	W	44	M	10	Tennessee	Tennessee	Tennessee	English	None	
Charles	Son	M	W	7	S		Tennessee	Tennessee	Tennessee	English	None	
Smith	Son	M	W	3	S		Tennessee	Tennessee	Tennessee	English	None	
Alice E.	Daughter	F	W	12	S		Tennessee	Tennessee	Tennessee	English	None	
Vance	Son	M	W	21	S		Tennessee	Tennessee	Tennessee	English	Engineer	Electrical
Frank	Son	M	W	19	S		Tennessee	Tennessee	Tennessee	English	None	
Arthur	Son	M	W	16	S		Tennessee	Tennessee	Tennessee	English	None	

- In 1920, Alice lived in Hawkins County, Tennessee, with her parents, two siblings, and her mother's, mother, Mrs. L.A. Charles. Her father was a farmer and owned his farm outright.

1920 U.S. Census

Hale George S.	Head	1	5	F	M	Mr	67	M
Minnie	Wife				F	Mr	52	M
Charles B.	Son				M	Mr	17	S
Smith D.	Son				M	Mr	15	S
Alice E.	Daughter				F	Mr	13	S
Charles L. A. Mrs	Mother-in-law				F	Mr	79	Mr

- In 1930, Alice lived in Hawkins County, Tennessee, with her parents, and her mothers, mother. She was a teacher in the public schools. Her father was a farmer, owned his own farm and the family had a radio set, and everyone could read and write.

1930 U.S. Census

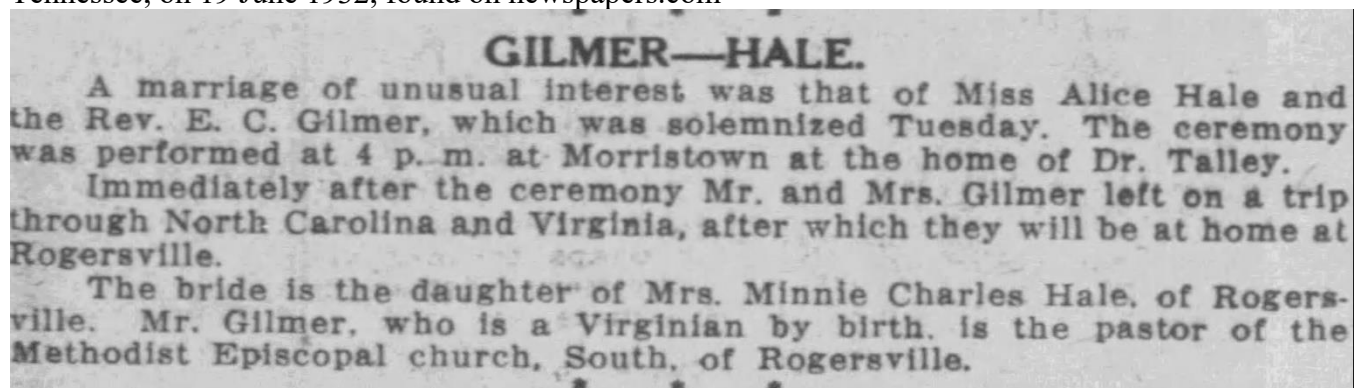
Hale George S.	Head	0	R	yes	M	W	76	M	30	NO	yes
Minnie E.	Wife	H	R	X	F	W	63	M	33	NO	yes
Alice E.	Daughter			X	F	W	21	S		NO	yes
Charles L. A.	Mother-in-law			X	F	W	89	Wd		NO	yes

- Alice married Edward Theophilus Gilmer on 14 June 1932, in Hamblen County, Tennessee. Her story matches her husbands until his death in 1984.

Wedding shower for Alice Hale story was published in The Rogersville Herald, in Rogersville, Tennessee, on 16 June 1932, found on newspapers.com



Wedding announcement for Alice and Edward published in The Knoxville Journal, in Knoxville, Tennessee, on 19 June 1932, found on newspapers.com



- Alice died on 12 April 2002, in Beckley, Raleigh County, West Virginia, and is buried in Russell Memorial Cemetery, in Lebanon, Russell County, Tennessee. Her headstone is shown above under her husband.



Photo said to be Alice Hale found on ancestry.com



- Great-Grandfather George Douglas Hale was born 17 December 1853, in Rogersville, Hawkins County, Tennessee, to Phillip Smith Hale, and Harriet Somerville Richards.
- In 1860, George lived with his parents, six siblings, and two men named Alexander Hale (Uncle), and Chris H. Spears. His father was a merchant, and his real estate was valued at \$10,000, and personal estate valued at \$25,000. The two men were clerks and Chris H. Spears' real estate was valued at \$2,000, and personal estate at \$5,000.

1860 U.S. Census

Phillip S Hale	45	M	Merchant	10000	25000	Tennessee
H Somerville Hale	40	F				Virginia
Winifred B	13	all				Tennessee
Margaret H	11	F				
Robert F	9	M				
John S	7	M				
George H	3	M				
Samuel R	3	M				
Mary E	1	F				
Alexander	43	M	Clerk			
Chris H Spears	43	M	"	2000	5000	"

- In 1870, George lived in Rogersville, Hawkins County, Tennessee, with his parents, nine siblings, and a fourteen-year-old black girl listed as a cook. His father was a retired merchant, and his real estate was valued at \$6,000, and his personal estate valued at \$21,500. George's two brothers Winfield and Robert were clerks in a store, likely owned by their father. Several of the families nearby had homes with high value including other merchants and a lawyer.

1870 U.S. Census

Hale P. S.	55	M	W	Retired Merchant	\$6,000	\$21,500	Tennessee
H S	50	F	W	Keeping House			Virginia
Winfield	21/21	M	W	Clerk in Store			Tennessee
Margaret H	21	F	W	At Home			Tennessee
Robert F	19	M	W	Clerk in Store			Tennessee
John S	18	M	W				Tennessee
George D	16	M	W				Tennessee
J. Richards	14	M	W				Tennessee
Mary	11	F	W				Tennessee
Fanny W	9	F	W				Tennessee
P. S. Grand	5	M	W				Tennessee
Anderson E. Liza	14	F	B	Cook			Tennessee

- In 1880, George lived in Rogersville, Hawkins County, Tennessee, with his mother, and five siblings. He was a farmer. His brother James was a "Drummer" which is a traveling merchant, and his brother Richard was a merchant in general merchandise.

1880 U.S. Census

Hale M. S.	M 5	60			1	Keeping house
Geo S	M 7	28	Son	1		Drummer
Geo D	M 7	26	Son	1		Farmer
J Richards	M 7	24	Son	1		Merchant and Judge
J. E. Mary	M 9	21	Daughter	1		At home
Fannie H	M 9	19	Daughter	1		At home
P S	M 7	15	Son	1		At home

- George married Katherine L. Armstrong on 5 July 1888, in Hawkins County, Tennessee. They had four children. She died on 2 August 1898.
- In 1900, George lived in Rogersville, Hawkins County, Tennessee, with his four sons. He was a widower and was a Hardware Merchant. He owned his house outright.

1900 U.S. Census

Hale George	Head	W m	Dec 1853	46	28	Tennessee	Tennessee	Virginia			Merchant-Henderson	0
Vance	Son	W m	Apr 1889	11	8	Tennessee	Tennessee	Tennessee			At school	1
Frank	Son	W m	Sept 1891	8	8	Tennessee	Tennessee	Tennessee				
Arthur	Son	W m	May 1894	6	8	Tennessee	Tennessee	Tennessee				
Hugh	Son	W m	Mar 1896	4	8	Tennessee	Tennessee	Tennessee				

- George married Minnie Elizabeth Charles on 9 August 1900 in Hawkins County, Tennessee.
- In 1910, George lived on Broadway, in Rogersville, Hawkins County, Tennessee, with his wife and six children. He was a farmer, owned his own far, but had a mortgage on in. His son Vance was an electrical engineer. Everyone could read and write. The neighborhood was integrated, and many black families lived among white families.
- In 1920, George lived in Hawkins County, Tennessee, with his wife, three children, and his mother-in-law, Mrs. L.A. Charles. He was a farmer and owned his farm outright.
- In 1930, George lived in Hawkins County, Tennessee, with his wife, his daughter Alice, and his mother-in-law. He was a farmer, owned his own farm and the family had a radio set, and everyone could read and write. His daughter Alice was a teacher in the public schools.
- George died of chronic interstitial nephritis on 17 October 1931, Berum, Hawkins County, Tennessee, and is buried in Presbyterian Church Cemetery, in Rogersville, Hawkins County, Tennessee.

Tennessee, U.S., Death Records, 1908-1965

**STATE OF TENNESSEE**  
**STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH**  
**Division of Vital Statistics**  
**CERTIFICATE OF DEATH**

County Hawkins Registration District No. 22051 File No. 22051  
 Civil Dis. 6 Primary Registration District No. 22051 Reg. No. 22051  
 Village Berum, Tenn City Berum, Tenn (No.        St.        Ward       )  
 Length of residence in city or town where death occurred        (If death occurred in a hospital or institution, give its NAME instead of street and number)

2. FULL NAME G. B. Hale  
 (a) Residence: No. Berum, Tenn St.        Ward        (If decedent gave city or town and State)

**PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS**

3. SEX Male 4. COLOR OR RACE White 5. SINGLE, MARRIED, WIDOWED, OR DIVORCED Married  
 6a. If married, widowed, or divorced, HUSBAND of (or) WIFE of         
 6. DATE OF BIRTH (month, day, and year) 12/17/1853  
 7. AGE 78 Years 10 Months 0 Days 0 Hrs. 0 Mins. 0 Sec.  
 8. Trade, profession, or particular kind of work done, as spinner, cooper, bookbinder, etc. Farmer  
 9. Industry or business in which work was done, as silk mill, saw mill, bank, etc. VVVV  
 10. Date deceased last worked at this occupation (month and year)        11. Total time (years) spent in this occupation         
 12. BIRTHPLACE (city or town) Hawkins Co. Tenn (State or country)         
 13. NAME (city or town) Philip Smith Hale (State or country)         
 14. MOTHER NAME Harnet & Richards (State or country)         
 15. BIRTHPLACE (city or town) Culpeper, Va (State or country)         
 17. INFORMANT (Address) Frank Hale  
Kingsport, Tenn  
 18. BURIAL, CREMATION, OR REINTERMENT (Address)        Date 10/18, 1931  
Presbyterian Church Home  
Rogersville, Tenn  
 19. UNDERTAKER (Address)         
        
 20. FILED        (Address)       

**MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH**

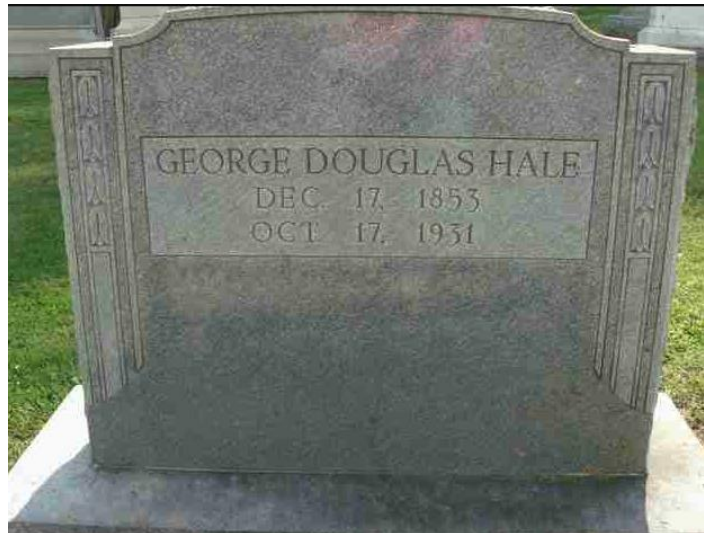
21. DATE OF DEATH (month, day, and year) 10/17, 1931  
 22. I HEREBY CERTIFY, That I attended deceased from 10-10-31 to 10-17-31. I was not alive on 10-18-31. Death is said to have occurred on the date stated above, at 4 a.  
 The principal cause of death and related causes of importance in order of merit were as follows:  
Chronic Interstitial Nephritis  
 Contributory causes of importance not related to principal cause: 129  
 Name of operation        Date of         
 What test confirmed diagnosis? Urinalysis  
 23. If death was due to external cause (violence) fill in also the following:  
 Accident, suicide, or homicide. Date of injury         
 Where did injury occur?         
 Specify whether injury occurred in industry, in home, or in public place.         
 24. Was disease of toxic or any way related to occupation of deceased?         
 If so, specify (Signature)        M. D. (Address)

Obituary for George Hale published in The Knoxville Journal, in Knoxville, Tennessee, on 18 October 1931, found on newspapers.com & headstone photo found on findagrave.com

**GEORGE D. HALE**  
(Knoxville Journal Special)  
ROGERSVILLE, Oct. 17—George Douglas Hale, 78, died at 5 a. m. today at his home near Burem, following an illness of several months. He grew worse suddenly Thursday, lapsing into unconsciousness from which condition he never rallied.

Funeral services will be held Sunday at 2 p. m. from the Presbyterian church, conducted by his pastor, Dr. Dabney Carson. Burial will take place in the church cemetery.

Surviving are four sons, Frank Hale, of Kingsport; Arthur Hale, of Rogersville; Charles Hale, of Miami, Fla., and Smith Douglas Hale, of Illinois; a daughter, Miss Alice Hale, of Rogersville, and two grandchildren. He was married twice, his first wife having been Miss Catherine Armstrong, and his second wife Miss Minnie Charles, of Burem. He was a brother of Mrs. George A. Gammon, of Knoxville, and of Phil Hale, and Miss Fannie Hale, of Rogersville, and of the late W. B. Hale, of Rogersville.



- 2<sup>nd</sup> Great-Grandfather Colonel Phillip Smith Hale was born 4 December 1814, in Kingsport, Sullivan County, Tennessee, to Colonel George Hale, and Margaret Hamilton. Perhaps he was born in Kingsport was because his father may have been off fighting in the War of 1812. There is much confusion in the Hawkins County records because there was another Phillip Smith Hale born in 1793, and his son, Phillip Smith Hale, Jr. born about 1830. All three of them held military officer titles such as Major and Colonel. The Phillip of this report goes by “P.S.” in most records, including his headstone, which was likely due to the confusion of the names. They all three are named after an P.S.’ grandfather, the other two Phillips, are P. S.’s uncle and first cousin. P.S.’s title of Colonel is found in a newspaper article about his father-in-law found below. His wife’s obituary mentions him as Major. A 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Phillip S. Hale enlisted on 26 September 1862, in Hawkins County, Tennessee, in Company L, 60<sup>th</sup> Mounted Tennessee Infantry. When the men of the 60<sup>th</sup> reported for duty to the Confederate Army, they would only take ten companies, and Company L disbanded. It is not known if this 1<sup>st</sup> Lt. Phillip S. Hale, is the same person as the subject of this report, or if he is another relative. Perhaps the title of Colonel was given by mistake in the article because his father was a Colonel in the War of 1812.
- Phillip married Harriet Somerville Richards on 3 September 1846, in Culpeper County, Tennessee.



In 1850, Phillip lived in Hawkins County, Tennessee, with his wife and three children. He was a farmer, and his real estate was valued at \$3,000.

1850 U.S. Census

P. S. Hale	35	M		Farmer	3000
Somerville	30	F			
Winfield	3	M			
Margaret	2	F			
Amelia	$\frac{3}{12}$	M			

- In 1860, Phillip lived with his wife, seven children, and two men named Alexander Hale (Brother), and Chris H. Spears. He was a merchant, and his real estate was valued at \$10,000, and personal estate valued at \$25,000. The two men were clerks and Chris H. Spears' real estate was valued at \$2,000, and personal estate at \$5,000.
- In 1870, Phillip lived in Rogersville, Hawkins County, Tennessee, with his wife and ten children, and a fourteen-year-old black girl listed as a cook. His father was a retired merchant, and his real estate was valued at \$6,000, and his personal estate valued at \$21,500. George's two sons Winfield and Robert were clerks in a store, likely owned by their father. Several of the families nearby had homes with high value including other merchants and a lawyer.
- Phillip died 22 June 1875 in Rogersville, Hawkins County, Tennessee, and is buried in Presbyterian Church Cemetery, in Rogersville, Hawkins County, Tennessee. Headstone photo for Phillip Hale, found on findagrave.com





- 3<sup>rd</sup> Great-Grandfather Colonel George Hale was born 4 January 1782, in Virginia, to Phillip Smith Hale, and Catherine Kittie Douglass.
- George married Margaret Hamilton, in 1808, likely in Tennessee.
- George served in the War of 1812 as a Colonel in charge of the 4<sup>th</sup> Regiment of Hawkins County Militia. The Tennessee militias of this time became the famous “Tennessee Volunteers” and most of these units fought under General Andrew Jackson against the Creeks, and the British at the Battle of New Orleans. More research could be done concerning the actions of this unit in the War of 1812.

Excerpt from the book “Historical Southern Families, Volume II, page 123

**George Hale, b. Jan. 4, 1782; m. (1) Margaret Hamilton, dau. of Joseph Hamilton, m. (2) Clementine Nenny; was Colonel of the 4th Regiment of Hawkins County Militia in 1813, later represented the county in the Legislature.**

- About 1837 George married Clementine Nenny, likely in Hawkins County, Tennessee.
- In 1840, George lived in Hawkins County, Tennessee, with eight other family members and fifteen slaves. The slaves were made up of, 1 male and 1 female over fifty-five years old, 3 males, and 2 females twenty-four to thirty-five, 4 males, and 1 female ten to twenty-three, and 3 females under ten-years-old. This most likely was one large family group.
- In 1850, George lived in Hawkins County, Tennessee, with his wife and three children. He was a farmer, and his real estate was valued at \$4,200.

1850 U.S. Census

George Hale	68	M	Farmer	4200
Clementine	44	F		
James	25	M	None	
Thomas	21	M		
Manable	17	M		

- In 1850, George owned twelve slaves.

850 U.S. Federal Census- Slave Schedules

<i>George Hale</i>	12	68	m	B
		71	m	B
		50	m	B
		50	m	B
		40	m	B
		35	F	B
		28	F	B
		23	m	B
		13	F	B
		5	F	B
		3	F	B
		1	F	B

- In 1860, George lived in Rogersville, Hawkins County, Tennessee, with his son John's family, another son James, and an eleven-year-old girl named Henrietta Campbell. George and his two sons were farmers, and George's real estate was valued at \$6,500, and his son John's personal estate was valued at \$3,500.

1860 U.S. Census

<i>John Lewis Hale</i>	27	m	Farmer	✓	3500	"
<i>Margaret</i>	25	F				"
<i>Rosena</i>	12	F				"
<i>George</i>	78	m	Farmer	✓	6500	Virginia
<i>James</i>	35	m	Tanner			Tennessee
<i>Henrietta Campbell</i>	11	F				"

- George died 20 October 1862, in Hawkins County, Tennessee, and is possibly buried in Presbyterian Church Cemetery, in Rogersville, Hawkins County, Tennessee.

- 4<sup>th</sup> Great-Grandparents, Phillip Smith Hale and Catherine Douglass.

- More can be learned about these ancestors in the Settles Package.
  - IT APPEARS PHILLIP WAS ONE OF THE FIRST SETTLERS TO THE AREA OWNING 9,000 ACRES, AND BOTH HE AND HIS WIFE APPEAR TO HAVE REVOLUTIONARY WAR OFFICER ANCESTORS.
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- 3<sup>rd</sup> Great-Grandmother Margaret Hamilton was born 6 April 1791, in Rockbridge County, Virginia, to Colonel Joseph Hamilton, and Penelope Smith Outlaw.
  - Margaret married George Hale in 1808, likely in Tennessee. Her story matches her husbands until her death.
  - Margaret died 23 November 1835, in Hawkins County, Tennessee, and is possibly buried in Presbyterian Church Cemetery, in Rogersville, Hawkins County, Tennessee.
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- 4<sup>th</sup> Great-Grandparents Colonel Joseph Hamilton and Penelope Smith Outlaw.
  - More can be learned about these ancestors in the Settles Package.
  - IT APPEARS BOTH SIDES OF THIS FAMILY CONTAINS REVOLUTIONARY WAR OFFICERS, AND MORE, TO INCLUDE BEING AT THE BATTLE OF KINGS MOUNTAIN, & STATE OF FRANKLIN FOUNDERS.
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- 2<sup>nd</sup> Great-Grandmother Harriet Somerville “Somer” Richards was born 12 March 1820, in Culpeper County, Virginia, to Major James Richards, and Winfred Berry Benson.
  - Somer married Colonel Phillip Smith Hale, on 3 September 1846, in Culpeper County, Virginia. Her story matches her husbands until his death. Her family spent summers in Hawkins County, Virginia.
  - In 1880, Somer lived in Rogersville, Hawkins County, Tennessee, with six of her children. She was a widow. Her son George was a farmer. Her son James was a “Drummer” which is a traveling merchant, and her son Richard was a merchant in general merchandise.

- In 1900, Somer lived at #2 Main Street, Rogersville, Hawkins County, Tennessee with her daughter Fannie, son Phillip, and two black women servants named Doshia Walker, and Mary Simpson, and Mary's son Sullivan Simpson. She was a widow, could read and write, and owned her own house outright. Her son Phillip was a traveling shoe salesman.

1900 U.S. Census

Hale Somerette	Head	w	f	Mar 1826	80	wd	10	7	Virginia	Virginia	Virginia				
Hale Fannie #16	Daughter	w	f	Apr 1861	39	S			Tennessee	Tennessee	Virginia				
— Phillip S	Son	w	m	Oct 1864	35	S			Tennessee	Tennessee	Virginia			Shoe Salesman	0
Walker Doshia	Servant	b	f	July 1874	26	S			Tennessee	Mississippi	Kentucky			Servant	0
Simpson Mary	Servant	b	f	Mar 1869	31	W	1	1	Tennessee	Tennessee	Tennessee			Servant	3
— Sullivan	Servant's Son	b	m	Sep 1888	11	S			Tennessee	Tennessee	Tennessee				

- Somer died 24 January 1908, in Rogersville, Hawkins County, Tennessee, and is buried in Presbyterian Church Cemetery, in Rogersville, Hawkins County, Tennessee. Her headstone photo is with her husband's above.

Obituary for Somer Richards, published in the Knoxville Sentinel, in Knoxville, Tennessee on 9 February 1908, found on newspapers.com – One error is present in this article. It states that she was born in Point Pleasant (West) Virginia, however other documents state Culpepper County, Virginia. Following the description of the rivers would put you in the vicinity of modern day Richardsville, Culpeper County, Virginia. Perhaps her father's plantation was called Point Pleasant.

## MRS. HARRIET SOMERVILLE HALE.

Special to The Sentinel.

Rogersville, Feb. 8.—Mrs. Harriet Somerville Hale died at her home in Rogersville on the early morning of Friday, January 24. She was the daughter of Major James Richards and wife, Winnifred Berry Benson Richards, and was born March 12, 1820, at Point Pleasant, Virginia, on her father's plantation between the Rappahannock and the Rapidan rivers. She first came to Rogersville in 1835 with her father, whose health had failed, and who had heard of the wonderful curative powers of the sulphur springs near here. The trip was made by carriage, and took many days. Major Richards was pleased with the place, purchased the springs, and, until his death several years later, spent most of his time there. At his request his body was buried on the summit of the high mountain overlooking the springs.

Harriet Somerville Richards was most happily married to Major Philip Smith Hale on the 3rd of September, 1846, at her home in Culpepper county, Va. To them the following children were born: Winfield Berry Hale, Rogersville; Mrs. Margaret Hamilton Gammmon, Knoxville; Robert Franklin Hale, deceased; John Shelton Hale, Knoxville; George Douglas Hale, Rogersville; James Richards Hale, deceased; Mary Elizabeth Riley, deceased; Frances Hugh Hale, Rogersville, and Philip Smith Hale, Rogersville.

About eight years ago Mrs. Hale fell and fractured her hip, since which time she has been an invalid. Though confined to her chair or bed her hands were not idle, but were ever doing some dainty needle work for her children or friends, and no day was ever so full of suffering that she could put aside the needs or sorrows of others. Her bright cheerful little home was always open, and no acquaintance deemed a visit in Rogersville complete without a call on "Mother Hale," or "Aunt Somer," as she was lovingly called.

She was a woman of unusual interest, and, having read a great deal, was a most interesting companion. These, with her varied experiences, bitter sorrows and long illness, were the very elements which gave her such a full knowledge, and sympathy for others.



- 3<sup>rd</sup> Great-Grandfather Major James Richards was born 2 February 1774, in Culpeper County, Virginia, to William Richards, and Eliza Miller.
- James married Winifred Berry Benson about 1800, likely in Virginia.
- In 1820, James lived in Culpeper County, Virginia, with ten other family members and thirty-seven slaves. Eighteen people were engaged in agriculture.
- In 1830, James lived in Culpeper County, Virginia, with nine other family members, and forty-two slaves.
- In 1840, James lived in Culpeper County, Virginia, with six other family members, and thirty-four slaves. Eleven people were employed in agriculture.
- James died 24 September 1844, in Hawkins County, Tennessee, and he is buried on a high mountain overlooking his springs.

Obituary for Major James Richards published in The Journal and Tribune, in Knoxville, Tennessee, on 18 June 1911

**Historical Matter.**

The future Home of the Printing Pressmen has been conducted as a health resort for over fifty years under the title of "Hale Springs Health Resort." In the early 30's Major Jas. Richards drove through the mountains from his home in Culpepper county, Va., to the springs and being well pleased with the place and the picturesque scenery, purchased 800 acres of land in the valley and along the mountain side. Here during the remainder of his life he spent his summers, always bringing a large number of slaves and dispensing hospitality with a lavish hand. The tract now owned by the printing pressmen, he willed to his daughter, the late Mrs. Harriett Somerville Richards Hale, wife of the late Col. Phillip Hale Smith Hale and from these owners the place took its name. At Major Richard's death, pursuant to his request, his body was buried on the top of Stone mountain, a mile and a half from the springs, and his monument bears the following inscription:

"MAJ. JAMES RICHARDS.  
Born in Culpepper County, Va.,  
February 2, 1774.  
Died September 24, 1844."  
"The owner of the springs at the time  
of his death, and by his request  
his last resting place."

- 4th Great Grandparents Captain William Richards and Lydia Eliza Miller.
- More can be learned about these ancestors in the Settles Package.
- THIS LINE OF RICHARDS LOOKS TO GO DEEP INTO VIRGINIA.

- 3<sup>rd</sup> Great-Grandmother Winifred Berry Benson was born in 1782, in Stafford County, Virginia, to James Benson, and Dullibella Berry.
- Winifred married Major James Richards about 1800, likely in Virginia. Her story matches her husbands until his death in 1844.
- In 1850, Winifred lived in Culpeper County, Virginia, with her two daughters.

1850 U.S. Census

Winifred W. Richards	71	f	
Oliza "	31	f	
Molly "	28	f	

- In 1850, Winifred owned fifteen slaves, six of which were mulatto.

1850 U.S. Federal Census- Slave Schedules

Winifred W. Richards	1	67	f	B
	2	56	f	B
	3	18	f	m
	4	25	f	B
	5	25	f	B
	6	14	f	m
	7	13	m	m
	8	13	m	B
	9	12	f	B

	10	5	m	23
	11	3	f	7m
	12	2	m	7m
	13	2	f	7m
	14	1	f	03
	16	6	m	113

- Winifred died on 22 January 1856, in Culpeper County, Virginia.
- 4th Great Grandparents James Benson and Dullibella Berry.
- More can be learned about these ancestors in the Settles Package.
- Great-Grandmother Minnie Elizabeth Charles was born 17 September 1867, in Hawkins County, Tennessee, to Jacob Wiley Charles, and Lucy Alice Spears.
- In 1880, Minnie lived in Hawkins County, Tennessee, with her parents, three siblings, her mother's sister Matilda, and two boarders named John M. Spears, and Anna Broiles. Her father was a farmer. Her two brothers were laborers. John M. Spears was a laborer.

1880 U.S. Census

Charles Jacob	W M 45		1	Farmer	
Lucy A	W F 40	Wife	1	Keeping House	
Oscar	W M 21	Son	1	Laborer	
Joseph S	W M 18	Son	1	Laborer	
James	W M 16	Son	1	Laborer	
Minnie	W F 12	Daughter	1	at School	
Spears Matilda	W F 32	S in Law	1		
John M	W M 21	Boarder	1	Laborer	
Broiles Anna	W F 21	Boarder	1		

- In 1900, Minnie lived in Burem's Store, in Hawkins County, Tennessee, with her parents, and Will Arnis. He was a farmer, owned his own farm outright, and was able to read and write. Will Arnis was a hired hand.

1900 U.S. Census

Charles Jacob	W M 45	Farmer			
Lucy A	W F 40	Keeping House			
Minnie	W F 12	at School			
John M	W M 21	Laborer			

- Minnie married George Douglas Hale, on 9 August 1900, in Hawkins County, Tennessee. Her story matches her husbands until his death in 1931.
- In 1940, Minnie lived in Hawkins County, Tennessee alone. She was a widow, owned her own house that was valued at \$1,200, and this census says that she had three years of college.

1940 U.S. Census

01200	W	Hale, Minnie C.	Wid	61	W	W	3	63
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- In 1950, Minnie lived in Beckley, Raleigh County, West Virginia, her daughter and her husband, and their son Edward, Jr. Her son-in-law Edward was the owner/manager of an insurance company and had worked eighty hours the previous week.
- Minnie died 1 May 1956, in Rogersville, Hawkins County, Tennessee, and is buried the Charles Family Cemetery, in Hawkins County, Tennessee.

Photo of headstone of Minnie Charles, found on findagrave.com



- 2<sup>nd</sup> Great-Grandfather Jacob Wiley Charles was born 14 October 1834, in Hawkins County, Tennessee, to Jacob Miller Charles and Sarah Haynes.
- In 1850, Jacob lived in Hawkins County, Tennessee, with his parents, and six siblings. He was a laborer, and his father was a farmer, and his real estate was valued at \$2,900.

1850 U.S. Census

Jacob Charles	51	Ma.	Farmer	2900	Temp
Sarah	49	Fi			Temp
John	29	Ma.	L.B.		Temp
Jane	18	Fi			Temp
Jacob	16	Ma.	L.B.		Temp
Charolett	12	Fi			Temp
Thermita	9	Ma.			Temp
Leander W. Hayes	4	Ma.			Temp
Richard	2	Ma.			Temp

- Jacob married Lucy Alice Spears on 22 July 1858, in Hawkins County, Tennessee.
- In 1860, Jacob lived in Surgoinsville, Hawkins County, Tennessee, with his wife, his son Oscar, his mother-in-law, and three of his wife's siblings. He was a farmer, his real estate was valued at \$1,800, and personal estate was valued at \$1,100. His mother-in-law's real estate was valued at \$3,000, and personal estate valued at \$4,000.



1860 U.S. Census

Jacob Charles	25	M	Farmers	1800	1100
Luzey "	20	F			
Alex "	1	M			
Polly Spears	47	F		3000	4000
John "	18	M			
Mary "	16	F			
Mantoy "	12	F			

- Jacob served in the Civil War as a Private, in Company B, 60<sup>th</sup> Tennessee Mounted Infantry. He enlisted on 14 September 1862, in Rogersville, Hawkins County, Tennessee for three years. When the unit was mustered into service for the war on 7 November 1862, he was listed as being on furlough. He must not have served the total three years for some reason because on 11 December 1863, Jacob sold five bushels of corn to the Confederate Army for \$10. It is unknown if he returned from furlough, or if he was granted a discharge for some reason. In 1863, his unit took part in the battles of Chickasaw Bayou, Chickasaw Bluff, Vicksburg, and Big Black River Bridge. It is unknown if Charles was present for any of these due to incomplete records. It is the genealogist's opinion that since he was on furlough at the time of the mustering in, and he was home to sell corn to the army later before his enlistment would have been up, he likely was given some sort of discharge. His brother John Charles served in the same unit as a 3<sup>rd</sup> Lieutenant.

Military records for Jacob W. Charles found on fold3.com

*Charles Jacob W.*  
 Co. B., 60 Tenn. Mtd. Inf.  
 (Crawford's Regiment.)  
 79 Tenn. Infantry.)  
 (Confederate.)

*Private Private*

CARD NUMBERS.

1	<i>50162939</i>	20
2	<i>3035</i>	21
3		22
4		23
5		24
6		25

*0* | **60** | **Tenn.**  
 (Mounted.)

*Jacob W. Charles*  
 Pvt., Co. B. } Crawford's Regiment  
 Tennessee Infantry.

Age *27* years.  
 Appears on  
 Company Muster-in Roll  
 of the organization named above.  
 Roll dated *Nashville, Tenn.*  
*Nov 7, 1862*  
 Muster-in to date \_\_\_\_\_, 1862

Joined for duty and enrolled:  
 When *Sept 14*, 1862  
 Where *Rogersville*  
 By whom *Saml R. Gammon*  
 Period *3 years*

No. of miles to rendezvous *70*  
 Remarks: *absent on furlough*

Receipt for Jacob W. Charles selling corn to the Confederate Army, found on fold3.com (the document has his signature)

No. 22.

The Confederate States,  
 To *Jacob W. Charles* *DP.*

1863.	Dollars.	Cents.
<i>Recd. 10 bbls (5) fine bushels of corn @ 200</i>	<i>10</i>	<i>00</i>

*\$ 10 00*  
 and the articles will be  
 accounted for on my property returns the quarter ending the 31 day of Dec. 1863  
 rendered as stated, and that they were necessary for the public service.

*A. D. Starnilton*  
 ASSISTANT QUARTERMASTER.

Received at *Hawkins Co. Tenn.* the *10* day of *Dec*, 1863,  
 of *A. D. Starnilton Capt. & Q. M.*, C. S. Army,  
 the sum of *10* Dollars  
 and \_\_\_\_\_ Cents, in full of the above account.

(SIGNED IN DUPLICATE.)  
*Jacob W. Charles*

- In 1870, Jacob lived in Hawkins County, Tennessee, and his family census is not found, but his farm information is. He had 60 acres of improved land, 190 acres of wooded land, his real estate was valued at \$2,500, his farm implements, and machinery was valued at \$130, and he earned \$125 the previous year. He had one horse, four milk cows, twelve sheep, thirty swine, and the value of his livestock was \$225. He had 220 bushels of winter wheat, 500 bushels of Indian corn, and one hundred bushels of oats.

1870 U.S., Selected Federal Census Non-Population Schedules, 1850-1880

Name of Agent, Owner, or Mortgagor.	Improved	Wooded	Other	Value of Land	Value of Buildings	Value of Machinery	Value of Stock	Value of Cattle	Value of Horses	Value of Swine	Value of Sheep	Value of Poultry	Value of Other Livestock	Value of Farm Implements	Value of Farm Machinery	Value of Farm Buildings	Value of Farm Fences	Value of Farm Outbuildings	Value of Farm Other
	No.	No.	No.	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
Charles Jacob W	60	190		2500	130	125	1	4	2		12	30	225		220		500	100	

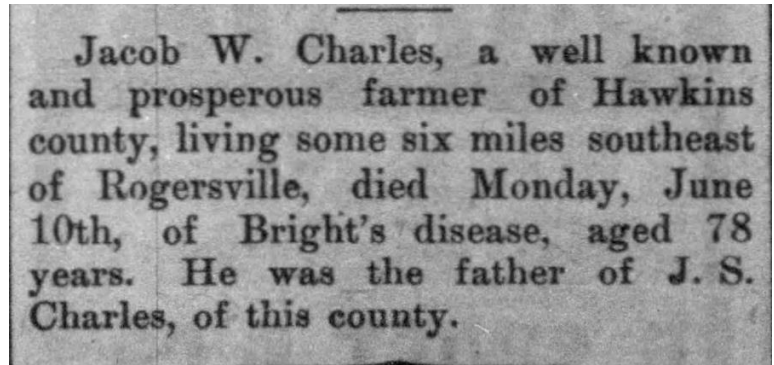
- In 1880, Jacob lived in Hawkins County, Tennessee, with his wife, four children, her wife's sister Matilda, and two boarders named John M. Spears, and Anna Broiles. He was a farmer. Her two brothers were laborers. John M. Spears was a laborer.
- In 1900, Jacob lived in Burem's Store, in Hawkins County, Tennessee, with his wife, daughter Minnie, and Will Arnis. He was a farmer, owned his own farm outright, and was able to read and write. Will Arnis was a hired hand.
- In 1910, Jacob lived, in Hawkins County, Tennessee, with his wife. He was a farmer, owned his own farm outright, and was able to read and write.

1910 U.S. Census

Charles Jacob W.	Head	M	W	70	M	51	Tennessee	Tennessee	Tennessee	English	Farmer	General	Wages	Exp.	1	1/2	1/2	1	1
Anna	Wife	F	W	70	M	51	Tennessee	Tennessee	Tennessee	English	None								

- Jacob died 10 June 1912, in Hawkins County, Tennessee, and is buried the Charles Family Cemetery, in Hawkins County, Tennessee.

Headstone photo for Jacob Charles, found on findagrave.com, and obituary published in the Morristown Gazette, in Morristown, Tennessee, on 19 June 1912, found on newspapers.com



- 3<sup>rd</sup> Great-Grandfather Jacob Miller Charles was born 23 June 1799, in Hawkins County, Tennessee, to James Charles, and Dorcas Miller.
- Jacob married Sarah Haynes about 1825, likely in Hawkins County, Tennessee.
- In 1840, Jacob lived in Hawkins County, Tennessee, with six other family members, and five slaves. The slaves were two females ages 10-23, 2 females under 10, and one male 10-23. Two white people over 20-years-old could not read and write, and four people were employed in agriculture.
- In 1850, Jacob lived in Hawkins County, Tennessee, with his wife and seven children. He was a farmer, and his real estate was valued at \$2,900. His son Jacob was a farm laborer.
- In 1860, Jacob lived in Mill Bend, Hawkins County, Tennessee, with his wife and. He was a farmer, and his real estate was valued at \$5,000, and his personal estate valued at \$10,500.

1860 U.S. Census

Jacob W Charles	61	M	LT	5000	10000
Sarah	58	F			
Sabina J	28	F			
Margaret M	21	F			
Henrietta S	19	M	Farm Hand		
London H Charles	15	M			
Clinton S	11	M			

- Jacob served in the Civil War, at sixty-four years old, as a Private in Captain Miller's Company of Tennessee Local Defense Troops. These units were usually made up of older men and were in reserve. Jacob also sold supplies to the Confederate Army on numerous occasions as shown in the records below.

Military records for Jacob W. Charles found on fold3.com

*Charles J. M.*

**Capt. Miller's Company,  
Tennessee.  
(Local Defense Troops.)**

**(Confederate.)**

*Private* | *Private*

CARD NUMBERS.

1	50199384	20
2		21
3		22
4		23
5		24
6		25
7		26
8		27

**(Confederate.)**  
6 | **Capt. Miller's Company. | Tenn.**  
**(Local Defense.)**

*J M Charles*

*Priv.* | **Capt. Jacob Miller's Company  
(Beech Creek Jerkers).\***

Age *64* years.

Appears on  
**Company Muster Roll**  
of the organization named above, for home defense,  
for *June 18, 1863 to*, 186 .†  
*not dated*

Enlisted:  
When *June 13, 1863.*

Where *District No 4, Hawkins Co*

By whom \_\_\_\_\_

Period \_\_\_\_\_

Last paid:  
By whom \_\_\_\_\_

To what time \_\_\_\_\_, 186 .

Present or absent *not stated*



Jacob sold the Confederate Army fifteen sacks of flour for \$210 on 20 September 1863

The Confederate States,  
*To Jacob M Charles* Dr.

1863.		Dollars.	Cents.
July 16	For 15 sacks flour @ 14.	210	00 ✓
		\$ 210	00 ✓

I CERTIFY that the above is correct. *H. M. Pennington*, Agent.

I CERTIFY that the above account is correct and just, and that the articles *with the* accounted for on my Property Return for the quarter ending on the *30<sup>th</sup>* day of *September*, 1863. *Geo. M. Orr* Capt. A. C. S., C. S. A.

RECEIVED at *Greenville*, the *16<sup>th</sup>* day of *July*, 1863, of *Jno. M. Orr*, Capt. and Chief Subs., 1st Dist. Team., Confederate States Army, the sum of *Two Hundred and Ten* Dollars and *00* Cents, in full of the above account.

[SIGNED IN DUPLICATE] *J. M. Charles*

Jacob sold the Confederate Army twenty-two mules, three horses, four wagons, etc. for \$5,650 on 5 May 1862

[No. 12.]  
The Confederate States,  
*To J M Charles* Dr.

1862.		Dollars	Cents.
May 5	For		
	(22) Twenty two Mules 190	4180	
	(3) Three Horses 180	570	
	(4) Four Horse wagons	800	
	(8) Eight Saddle Blankets	120	
	(12) Twelve " " Lead	180	
		\$5650	

I Certify that the above account is correct and just; that the articles have been accounted for on my Property Return for the quarter ending on the *30<sup>th</sup>* day of *June*, 1862. *R. M. McElrath* ASSISTANT QUARTERMASTER.

Received at *Greenville*, the *5<sup>th</sup>* day of *May*, 1862, of *J. M. Charles* Capt. & Assistant Quartermaster of C. S. Army, the sum of *Fifty Six hundred and Fifty* Dollars and *00* Cents, in full of the above account.

[SIGNED IN DUPLICATE] *J. M. Charles*

Jacob sold the Confederate Army ten mules, two wagons, etc. for \$3,790 on 7 June 1862

The Confederate States,  
To *J. M. Charles Dr.*

1862.		Dollars.	Cents.
June 7	(10) Ten Mules	2000	
	(1) Two Horses	1650	
	(2) Two Wagons	300	
	(4) Four Single Wheel Waggons	80	
	(2) Horses in a Sled	80	
		\$3790 00	

I Certify that the above account is correct and just, and that the articles have been accounted for on my Property Return for the quarter ending on the 30 day of June, 1862.

Received at Remoigne, the 7 day of June, 1862,  
of Amos Elrath, Assistant Quartermaster of C. S. Army,  
the sum of Thirty seven hundred & ninety Dollars  
and  Cents, in full of the above account.

(SIGNED IN DUPLICATE)

Jacob sold the Confederate Army eleven mules, two horses, etc. for \$2,955 on 17 May 1862

The Confederate States,  
To *J. M. Charles Dr.*

1862.		Dollars.	Cents.
May 17	(11) Eleven Mules	195	2145 00
	(3) Two Horses	190	570 00
	(6) Six Single Wheel Waggons		120 00
	(6) Six " " " " " " " "		120 00
		\$2955 00	

I Certify that the above account is correct and just, and that the articles have been accounted for on my Property Return for the quarter ending on the 30 day of June, 1862.

Received at Remoigne, the 17 day of May, 1862,  
of A. M. McElrath Capt. U.S., Assistant Quartermaster of C. S. Army,  
the sum of Twenty nine hundred and fifty five Dollars  
and  Cents, in full of the above account.

(SIGNED IN DUPLICATE)

Jacob sold the Confederate Army corn and hay for \$24,000 on 23 Dec 1863

Confederate States  
1863 To J. M. Charles  
14 Dec for 100 Bush (5000) Corn \$ 200.00  
2000 Pounds Hay \$ 40.00  
\$ 240.00  
I certify that the above account is correct  
and that the articles are to be accounted  
for on my property return for the quarter  
ending 31 December 1863.  
J. S. Hatcher Capt & Comm  
Received this 14 day of Dec 1863 of J. S.  
Hatcher Capt & Comm for his receipt  
of \$240.00 in full of the above account  
J. M. Charles

- Jacob died 18 February 1869, in Hawkins County, Tennessee, and is buried the Charles Family Cemetery, in Hawkins County, Tennessee.

Headstone photo for Jacob Miller Charles, found of findagrave.com



- 4<sup>th</sup> Great-Grandparents James Charles and Dorcas Miller.
- More can be learned about these ancestors in the Settles Package.
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Great-Grandmother Sarah Haynes was born 18 December 1801, in Hawkins County, Tennessee, to Christopher Haynes, and Frances Turner.
- Sarah married Jacob Miller Charles about 1825, likely in Hawkins County, Tennessee. Her story matches her husbands until his death in 1869.
- In 1870, Sarah lived in Buren's Store, Hawkins County, Tennessee, with six of her children, and a relative named Sarah Lawson. Her real estate was valued at \$7,000, and her personal estate valued at \$2,643. Her two sons Hannibal and Clinton were both farmers.

1870 U.S. Census

Charles Sarah	68	F	W	Keeping House	\$7000	\$2643	2
Jabitha	38	F	W				1
Margaret H	32	F	W				1
Hannibal L	29	M	W	Farming			1
Leander H	25	M	W				1
Clinton D	22	M	W	Farming			1
Lawson Sarah	13	F	W	Living with family			1

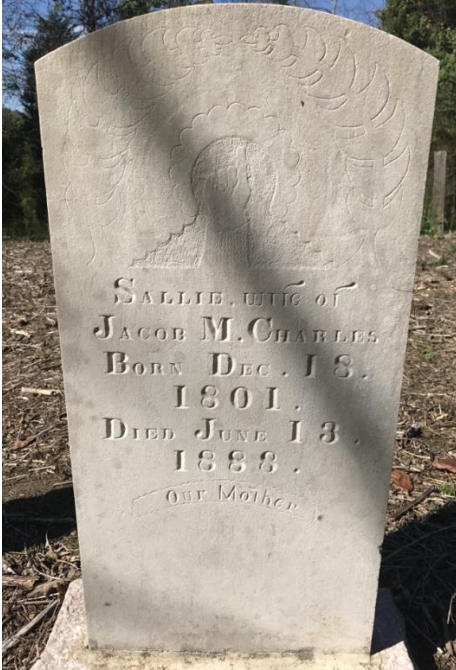
- In 1880, Sarah lived in Hawkins County, Tennessee, with her daughter Margaret and her family. Her son-in-law James King was a farmer. They lived next to another Charles family, possibly her husband's brother's family.

1880 U.S. Census

King James P.	w h	35			1	Farmer
Margaret H	w f	49	wife		1	Keeping house
William	w f	7	daughter		1	at school
Sarah E	w f	6	daughter		1	at school
Charles Sally	w f	75	mother-in-law		1	

- Sarah died 13 June 1888, in Hawkins County, Tennessee, and is buried the Charles Family Cemetery, in Hawkins County, Tennessee.

Headstone photo for Sarah Haynes, found on findagrave.com



- 4<sup>th</sup> Great-grandparents Christopher Haynes and Francis Turner.
- More can be learned about these ancestors in the Settles Package.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Great-Grandmother Lucy Alice Spears was born 20 April 1841, in Rogersville, Hawkins County, Tennessee, to Lazarus Spears, and Elizabeth Mary "Polly" Amis.
- In 1850, Mary lived in Hawkins County, Tennessee with her mother, grandmother Mary Amis, and six other siblings. Her grandfather Lazarus had died the previous year. Her mother is listed as a farmer and the real estate was valued at \$3,300.



1850 U.S. Census

Mary Spears	36	Y	W	W	330
Mary	20	Y			
Jesse	27	M		None	
Sarah	16	Y			
Nancy	13	Y			
Lucy	11	Y			
John	8	Y			
Thomas	6	Y			
Sam	2	Y			

- Lucy married Jacob Wiley Charles on 23 July 1858, in Hawkins County, Tennessee. Her story matches her husbands until his death in 1912.
- In 1920, Lucy lived in Hawkins County, Tennessee, with her daughter Minnie and her family. Her son-in-law George was a farmer and owned his farm outright.
- In 1930, In 1930, Lucy lived in Hawkins County, Tennessee, with her daughter Minnie and her family. Her son-in-law George was a farmer, owned his own farm and the family had a radio set, and everyone could read and write. Her granddaughter Alice was a teacher in the public schools.
- Lucy died 1 February 1933, in Hawkins County, Tennessee, and is buried the Charles Family Cemetery, in Hawkins County, Tennessee.

Headstone photo for Lucy Spears, found on findagrave.com, and obituary published in The Knoxville News-Sentinel, in Knoxville, Tennessee, on 3 February 1933



**MRS. LUCY SPEARS CHARLES**  
 Special To The News-Sentinel  
**ROGERSVILLE, Feb. 3**—The funeral of Mrs. Lucy Spears Charles was held at the M. E. Church, South, at 2:30 p. m. Thursday, the Rev. E. T. Gilmer officiating, assisted by the Rev. Chiles.  
 Mrs. Charles was 93 years old. She died Wednesday afternoon at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Minnie Hale. Mrs. Charles is survived by her daughter, and one son, James, of Florida. She had several grandchildren and three great grandchildren.

Tennessee, U.S., Death Records, 1908-1965 (Lucy's daughter Minnie was the informant but didn't know the father of her mother, and listed her mother's married surname, this means Minnie did not know much about her grandparents. Minnie was born seven years after her grandfather died and her grandmother died when she was only six years old, so she would not have remembered her mother's parents.)

1. PLACE OF DEATH			STATE OF TENNESSEE	
County	Hewkins	37-04	STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH	3237
Civil Dis.	4th	1	Division of Vital Statistics	File No. 749
Village		37-04	<b>CERTIFICATE OF DEATH</b>	Reg. No. 749
City	Rogersville		Registration District No. 371	Primary Registration District No. 4
Length of residence in city or town where death occurred..... yrs. mos. ds.			(If death occurred in a hospital or institution, give its NAME instead of street and number)	
2. FULL NAME Mrs. Lucy Spears Charles			St. _____ Ward _____	
(a) Residence: No. _____ St. _____ Ward _____			(If nonresident give city or town and State)	
PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS			MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH	
3. SEX	4. COLOR OR RACE	5. SINGLE, MARRIED, WIDOWED, OR DIVORCED (write the word)	21. DATE OF DEATH (month, day, and year)	Feb. 1, 1933
Female	White	Widowed	22. I HEREBY CERTIFY, That I attended deceased from _____ to _____	33
6a. If married, widowed, or divorced HUSBAND of (or) WIFE of _____			I last saw her alive on Jan 10 1933 death is said to have occurred on the date stated above, at _____ o'clock	
6. DATE OF BIRTH (month, day, and year)	April 30, 1841		The principal cause of death and related causes of importance in order of causal sequence follows:	
7. AGE	Years	Months	Days	If LESS than 1 day, _____ hrs. or _____ min.
92		X	X	
8. Trade, profession, or particular kind of work done, as spinner, sawyer, bookkeeper, etc.			Date of onset _____	
Housewife			unable to find any organic lesion	
9. Industry or business in which work was done, as silk mill, saw mill, bank, etc.			Contributory causes of importance not related to principal cause: 20573	
10. Date deceased last worked at this occupation (month and year)			200 A	
11. Total time (years) spent in this occupation _____			Name of operation _____ Date of _____	
12. BIRTHPLACE (city or town) (State or country)			What test confirmed diagnosis? _____ Was there an autopsy? _____	
Tenn			23. If death was due to external causes (violence) fill in also the following: Accident, suicide, or homicide? _____ Date of injury _____ 19 _____	
13. NAME Unknown			Where did injury occur? _____ (Specify city or town, county, and State)	
14. BIRTHPLACE (city or town) (State or country)			Specify whether injury occurred in industry, in home, or in public place.	
15. MAIDEN NAME Mary Spears			Manner of injury _____	
16. BIRTHPLACE (city or town) (State or country)			Nature of injury _____	
Tenn			24. Was disease or injury in any way related to occupation of deceased? _____	
17. INFORMANT Mrs. Minnie Hale (Address) Rogersville, Tenn			If so, specify _____ (Signed) _____ D. (Address) _____	
18. BURIAL, CREMATION, OR REMOVAL Place: M.E. Church Cem Date: 2/2/33 19 _____				
19. UNDERTAKER Taylor Funeral Home (Address) Rogersville, Tenn				
20. FILED Nov. 10, 1933 J.S. [Signature] Registrar				

- 3<sup>rd</sup> Great-Grandfather Captain Lazarus Spears was born 29 September 1785, in possibly Halifax County, North Carolina, to Samuel Spears and Sarah Rebecca Smith. He is called Captain in the article below. No military records have been found for the War of 1812, but he may have been a Captain of the local militia.
- Lazarus married Nancy Haynes 26 June 1810, likely in Hawkins County, Tennessee. Nancy died in 1826.

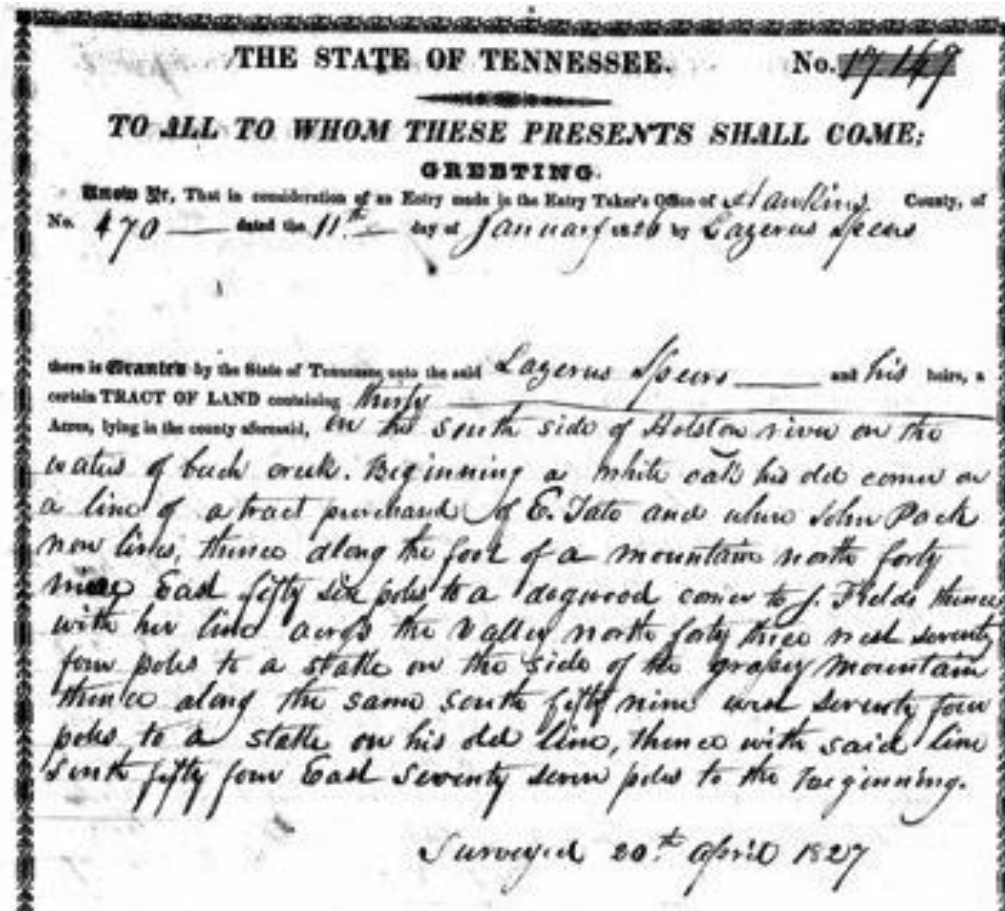
Tennessee State Marriages, 1780-2002

Know all men by these presents that we Lazarus Spears  
 Joseph Keethely and Peter Lawford are both firmly  
 bound unto Willie Blount Governor in and over  
 the State of Tennessee and his Successors in office in  
 the sum of ~~one~~ <sup>one</sup> hundred and ~~seventy~~ <sup>seventy</sup> fifty  
 Dollars to be void on condition that there be no  
 Lawful impediment why Lazarus Spears and Nancy  
 Haynes may not be joined together as man and wife  
 in the holy State of Matrimony. In witness where  
 of we have here to set our hands and seals this  
 26<sup>th</sup> June 1810

Lazarus Spears  
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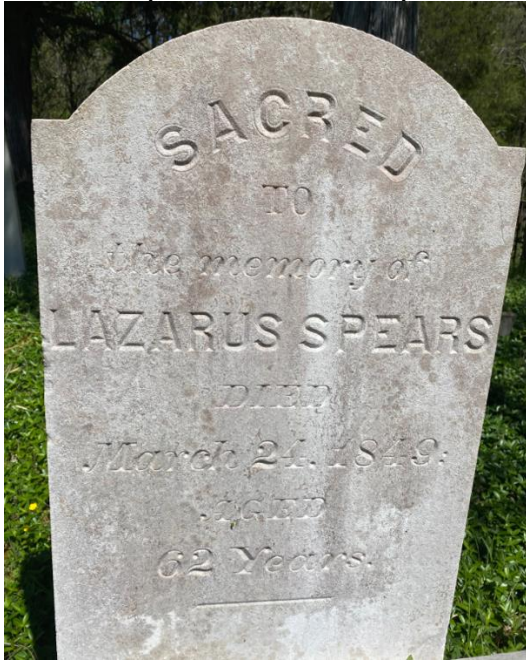
- In 1817, Lazarus purchased one hundred acres of land on both sides of Dodson's Creek, from Thomas Haynes, and Herbert George
- In 1826, Lazarus purchased thirty acres of land in Hawkins County, Tennessee.



- In 1830, Lazarus lived in Hawkins County, Tennessee, with five other family members, and thirteen slaves. The slaves were one female, 36-54, one female 24-35, three females 10-23, one female under 10, two males 24-35, three males 10-23, two males under 10.
- Lazarus married Elizabeth Mary “Polly” Amis on 3 January 1833, in Hawkins County, Tennessee.
- In 1840, Lazarus lived in Hawkins County, Tennessee, with six other family members, and fifteen slaves. The slaves were one female 55-99, two females 36-54, two females 24-35, three females 10-23, four females under 10, one male 10-23, two males under 10. Five people were employed in agriculture.
- Lazarus died 4 March 1849, in Hipshire Hollow, Hawkins County, Tennessee, and is buried in Spears Cemetery, Hawkins County, Tennessee.



Headstone photo for Lazarus Spears, found on findagrave.com



Article about Captain Lazarus Spears found on ancestry.com

Paragraph in article published in "The Rogersville Review" Thurs. 21 Nov 1951. Originally published as part two of a two-part series in the same newspaper on April 16 & 21, 1891.

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Cheviot Hills overlook the waters of the Liddell and the more distant Tweed.

Returning now to the highway: the crumbling remains of the old mansion on its north side was once the home of Lazarus Spears, Esq., for many years an influential and leading justice of our county. He was the father of the venerable Captain C. H. Spears, of Gallaher's Spring, of Mrs. R. M. Sensabaugh, Mrs. Jacob Charles and Mrs. R. M. Hunter.

Here Captain Spears grew up and spent his youthful days. An entire article could be filled with a rehearsal of his many amusing adventures in connection with his "ancient drouthy crony" and friend, Bob McCoy, who has long since joined the silent majority on "fame's eternal camping ground."

I will now conduct my reader along the crest of this eminence, through dense groves of druidical





- 4<sup>th</sup> Great-Grandparents Samuel Spears and Sarah Rebecca Smith.
- More can be learned about these ancestors in the Settles Package.
- THESE LINES APPEARS TO GO BACK DEEP INTO THE 1600S, AND SAMUEL APPEARS TO BE A REVOLUTIONARY WAR VET PENSIONER.

- 3<sup>rd</sup> Great-Grandmother Elizabeth Mary “Polly” Amis was born 17 December 1812, in Ebbing Springs, Hawkins County, Tennessee, to Haynes Amis unknown mother.
- Mary married Lazarus Spears on 3 January 1833, in Hawkins County, Tennessee. Her story matches her husbands until his death in 1849.
- In 1850, In 1850, Mary lived in Hawkins County, Tennessee with her mother Mary Amis, and seven children. Her husband Lazarus had died the previous year. Mary is listed as a farmer and the real estate was valued at \$3,300.
- In 1860, Mary lived in Mill Bend, Hawkins County, Tennessee, with eight other children or family members. Her son Lazarus is listed as a farmer.

1860 U.S. Census

Mary A Spears	46	F		
Lazarus	22	M	Farmer	✓
Kit to	19	M	do	✓
Rachel	17	F		
Eliza S	14	F		
Eleanor	12	M		
Joseph	10	M		
Mollie	7	F		
Eliza Wood	28	F		

- In 1870, Mary lived in Rogersville, Hawkins County, Tennessee, with three family members.

1870 U.S. Census

Spear, E. M.	58	M	W	Keeping House		
Martha	27	M	W	"		
Matilda	22	M	W			
John	11	M	W			

- Mary died 11 November 1873, in Hawkins County, Tennessee, and is buried in Spears Cemetery, Hawkins County, Tennessee.

Headstone photo for Mary Amis, found on findagrave.com



- 4<sup>th</sup> Great Grandparents Haynes Amis and Mary Unknown.
- More can be learned about these ancestors in the Settles Package.
- HAYENS' LINE APPEARS TO GO BACK MUCH FURTHER, INCLUDING REVOLUTIONARY WAR VETS.