

### **BUCK CEMETERY MARKED**

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Photo by Ty Kernea



A marker has been placed at the entrance of the Cookeville Buck Cemetery, which has recently been targeted as part of a clean-up effort. The cemetery, located off Ninth Street, is overgrown and volunteers have been working for weeks to clear trees and brush and to mark those graves without headstones. Previously, no sign even marked the final resting place of hundreds of former residents. Pictured at the site, from left, are Lloyd Harris and Robert Waites, Harris Monument Co.; Glenn Jones, Putnam County archivist; Sam Tate (back), Tate's Custom Carpentry; Betty Stark, archives assistant; Eric Vaughn (back), Vaughn's Monument Co.; Carol Bradford, Glenn Bradford and Maggie Wharton, archives volunteers; Kim Blaylock, Putnam County executive; and Ira B. Cowan, volunteer and donator.

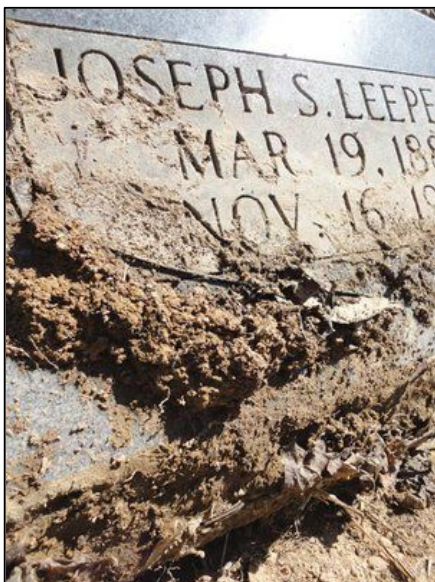
### **LEFT IN NEGLECT: VOLUNTEERS WORK TO CLEAN OLD CEMETERY**

by Liz Engel Clark

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A headstone at Cookeville Buck Cemetery is covered in dirt after being pulled from a hole in the ground.  
Herald-Citizen Photo/Liz Engel Clark

**COOKEVILLE** -- Volunteers chopped down trees, pulled weeds and dusted off dirty graves, all part of an effort that kick-started last week to clean up an old black cemetery that has been long left in a state of neglect.



Glenn Jones, Putnam County archivist, walked through the grounds on Thursday, brushed away limbs covering several headstones, and even planted a makeshift marker at the foot of one of the graves, unmarked and sunken in. He organized several other volunteers who joined in on the bright and sunny afternoon.

"This is the worse cemetery I've been to," Jones said, looking around. "There are graves everywhere."

The all African-American cemetery fronts a street Jones says is part of Buck Avenue, a graveled, unpaved thoroughfare that unassumingly juts out from West Ninth Street, not far from the intersection of North Willow Avenue and a series of Tennessee

Tech Village apartments. There's not even a sign to mark its passage.

"I didn't even know there was a cemetery here until a few years back," said Putnam County Executive Kim Blaylock, who came out to see the work being done. "This is almost overwhelming to look at. It makes me so sad."

Small saplings, dead leaves and weeds have overpowered many of the graves. Although some do have newer stones, there are others with toppled headpieces, and some are designated by simple funeral markers, tiled letters missing that once spelled out the names of the deceased. The only way to distinguish many graves is by patches of sunken ground.

"We don't know how many people are buried here," Jones said. "One guy said around 300. There are 12 veterans, at least."

Randy Williams, historic preservation planner with the Upper Cumberland Development District, said the cemetery in question has always been called the "black Buck" cemetery, which distinguished it from a handful of other Buck cemeteries in the county. Jones said he'd like to rename it Cookeville Buck Cemetery so it still stands alone.

The Buck family was very prominent in the settlement of this area, and the Bucks were slave holders in the antebellum period, Williams said. Many, if not all, the Buck slaves took the family surname as their own.

"Some of the former Buck slaves were probably the first to be buried in the cemetery," Williams said. But no one knows exactly how many graves are there, he said.

"We'd have to do a ground-penetrating radar study and some archaeological testing to know for sure, and even then it would be difficult to ascertain beyond doubt," Williams continued. "Through the years, the Buck descendants and other members of the local black community were buried in the cemetery."

Bobby Farley has family members buried there -- his mother, father, aunts, cousins. He said the last clean-up effort took place more than two decades ago. Besides some mowing, little else has been done since.

"We had a big day over here about 20-25 years ago, we had food and everything. It was all cleaned out, and they really did an excellent job," Farley said. "And then, after that, it just started going down, down, down."

"It seems like everybody's lost interest," said Evelyn Buck, nodding toward a site where her mother-in-law is buried nearby. "It's just neglect. Nobody has taken it upon themselves to do it."

### **Archives effort**

Jones is in the process of making a file for every Putnam County cemetery -- according to other researchers, there are more than 500 sites here, he said -- information that would include a list of those buried, a land survey and copy of the deed.

To get a complete cemetery profile for the archives, he is also asking family members to submit pictures of their ancestors, an effort that is being kick-started by the Cookeville Buck Cemetery project.

"We need citizens who have family or friends buried there to come out, bring names and information and pictures of anyone buried there," Jones said. "This is a large cemetery with many needs."

He is employing the help of Betty Stark, who has worked at the archives since its beginning in 2008, for the project. On Thursday, holding two L-shaped rods, she used a technique called dowsing to locate gravesites. Stark has a lot of knowledge about area cemeteries and has published eight cemetery books, Jones said.

"I remember the first time I met Miss Betty. We were at a historical society field trip on the square in downtown Gainesboro," Jones said. "Betty was the honored guest, and she demonstrated her skill in

locating the deceased in an old graveyard. It was an unforgettable experience. We are lucky to have her assist in this monumental project."

The clean up effort, meanwhile, will continue on a weekly basis and could take months to complete -- help is needed and volunteers with chainsaws are especially in demand. Jones said they plan on adding bare cement blockcaps at each unmarked grave end to signify a resting place. Those caps will later be painted white, Jones said, and sunken graves will be filled with dirt.

Donations toward the effort can be made through Blaylock's office. Call 526-2161 for more information. Anyone interesting in helping should call Jones at 704-0085.

"This cemetery has so many veterans and so many people, it has to be fixed," Jones said. "A lot of the people who were buried here were poor and didn't have the means to get a tombstone, and we need help from the community to fix that."

### **PULLING TOGETHER**

Students from history classes at Nashville State Community College and Tennessee Tech remove a tree



from Buck Cemetery. The students are participating in a volunteer extra-credit effort with instructor Carolyn Powell in partnership with Putnam County archivist Glenn Jones to help clean up Buck Cemetery. "We really appreciate Carolyn helping us on our projects," said Jones. "She sends students continually to the archives to help with the Veterans Hall and the records and Velma Thompson's collection." More than 110 students have cut trees, filled in graves with dirt, reset headstones and marked unmarked graves. Herald-Citizen Photo/Ty Kernea

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### **BUCK CEMETERY FOR BLACKS**

**Source:** Putnam County Cemeteries by Maurine Ensor Patton, pgs. 88-90.

Further research by Audrey J. (Denny) Lambert

<http://www.ajlambert.com>

Located on the south side of 9<sup>th</sup> Street in Cookeville, TN east of Sycamore School. The cemetery was very overgrown and difficult to record. Recorded by Maurine E. Patton on September 1994.

**John Henry Allen**, b. 1872 – d. 1928.

'Resting in Hope of a Glorious Resurrection'

**Howard King Apple**, b. 27 July 1904 – d. 17 June 1966.

**Catharine (Lamberson) Bartlett**, b. 6 November 1870, TN – d. 31 December 1967, md **Sherman Bartlett**, b. ca. 1863, TN. Catharine (Lamberson) Bartlett, d/o **Jack Lamberson** (1810-1876) & **Huldy/Hulda (unknown) Lamberson**. **Henry Peak** is her step-father. Jack Lamberson, b. 1810, Smith Co., TN – d. 1876, Smith Co., TN. Children of Jack & Huldy Lamberson: Catherine, Cora, Jenny, Lid, Mary, Melissa, John Alexander & Martha Lamberson.

\*See James Clennie Bartlett Obt.

\*See Sally M. (Bartlett) Farley buried in Buck Cemetery.

(1870 census 21<sup>st</sup> Dist., Smith Co., TN: Dwl: 71- **Jack Lamberson** is head of household, 60 yrs. old, TN, black male, md to **Hulda**, 33 yrs. old, TN. Children: Thomas, 20 yrs. old; Malessa, 14 yrs. old; Presilla, 10 yrs. old; Redley, 8 yrs. old; John 3 yrs. old & James Lamberson, 1 yr. old. All born in TN).

Census Place: 1880 District 11, Putnam Co., TN

Source: FHL Film 1255275 National Archives Film T9-1275 Page 169A

Dwl: 148

	Relation	Sex	Marr	Race	Age	Birthplace
<b>Henry PEAK</b>	Self	M	M	B	52	TN
Occ:	Laborer	Fa: TN	Mo: TN			
<b>Huldy PEAK</b>	Wife	F	M	B	40	TN
Occ:	Keeping House	Fa: TN	Mo: TN			
Nathan PEAK	Son	M	S	B	18	TN
Occ:	Laborer	Fa: TN	Mo: TN			
Pleasant PEAK	Son	M	S	B	15	TN
Occ:	Laborer	Fa: TN	Mo: TN			
Frank PEAK	Son	M	S	B	12	TN
Occ:	Laborer	Fa: TN	Mo: TN			
Mat PEAK	Son	M	S	B	5	TN
	Fa: TN	Mo: TN				
Cloln PEAK	Son	M	S	B	2	TN
	Fa: TN	Mo: TN				
Solon PEAK	Son	M	S	B	1M	TN
	Fa: TN	Mo: TN				
Martha LAMBERSON	SDau	F	S	B	8	TN
	Fa: TN	Mo: TN				
<b>Catharine LAMBERSON</b>	SDau	F	S	B	5	TN
	Fa: TN	Mo: TN				

(1910 census 1<sup>st</sup> Civil Dist., Putnam Co., TN: Dwl: 152 – **Sherman Bartlett** is head of household, 47 yrs. old, TN, mulatto, (parents both born in TN), Occupation: laborer, rail road, md 20 yrs. to **Catherine**, 33 yrs. old, TN, mulatto, Occupation: Laundress, at home, 9 children born, 7 children living. Children: Viola, 19 yrs. old, Occupation: laundress, at home; Marry, 15 yrs. old, Occupation: cook, private house; Sallie, 13 yrs. old, Occupation: cook, hotel; Clinnie, 10 yrs. old; Flossie, 7 yrs. old; Mirtle, 5 yrs. old & Curdis H. Bartlett, 2 yrs. old. All born in TN).

**Kate Bartlett**, b. unknown – d. 19 June 1957.

**James Clennie Bartlett Obt.**

\*See Catharine (Lamberson) Bartlett buried in Buck Cemetery.

Funeral services for James Clennie Bartlett, 58, well known Negro resident who died in Cookeville General hospital Wednesday after a long illness, were held Sunday at Wright's Chapel Methodist church.

The Rev. Jessie P. Miller and the Rev. J. R. Gray officiated. Burial was in Buck cemetery. Whitson funeral home was in charge.

Survivors include his mother, Mrs. Catherine Bartlett, Cookeville; a brother, Pete Bartlett, Celina; four sisters, Viola Bohannon, Salley Farley, Myrtie Maddux, all of Cookeville, and Bessie McCullough, Detroit, MI.

The Citizen, Cookeville, TN: Wednesday, 1 October 1958.

(1910 census 1<sup>st</sup> Civil Dist., Putnam Co., TN: Dwl: 152 – **Sherman Bartlett** is head of household, 47 yrs. old, TN, mulatto, (parents both born in TN), Occupation: laborer, rail road, md 20 yrs. to **Catherine**, 33 yrs. old, TN, mulatto, Occupation: Laundress, at home, 9 children born, 7 children living. Children: Viola, 19 yrs. old, Occupation: laundress, at home; Marry, 15 yrs. old, Occupation: cook, private house; Sallie, 13 yrs. old, Occupation: cook, hotel; **Clinnie**, 10 yrs. old; Flossie, 7 yrs. old; Mirtle, 5 yrs. old & Curdis H. Bartlett, 2 yrs. old. All born in TN).

**Sidney “Sid” Bartlett**, b. 6 September 1882, TN – d. 10 December 1924, md **Sibbie (unknown) Bartlett**.

(1910 census 1<sup>st</sup> Civil Dist., Putnam Co., TN: Dwl: 281 – **Sid Bartlett** is head of household, 26 yrs. old, TN, mulatto, (parents both born in TN), Occupation: laborer, rail road, md 8 yrs. to **Sibbie**, 25 yrs. old, TN, mulatto, (parents both born in TN), Occupation: Laundress, working out, 3 children born, 3 children living. Children: Marry E., 5 yrs. old, TN & Willie J. Bartlett, 15/12 yrs. old, TN).

(1920 census 1<sup>st</sup> Civil Dist., Putnam Co., TN: Dwl: 195 – **Sid Bartlett** is head of household, 36 yrs. old, TN, black, Occupation: laborer, working out, md to **Sibbie**, 36 yrs. old, TN, mulatto, Occupation: washer woman, working out. Children: Lula, 17 yrs. old; Mary Ellen, 14 yrs. old; Willie J., 10 yrs. old & Lassie Bartlett, 7 yrs. old. All born in TN).

**Wade Bartlett**, b. 1864, TN – d. 19 July 1948, age 84, md **Mary Ellen (unknown) Bartlett**, b. February 1860, TN.

(1900 census 1<sup>st</sup> Civil Dist., Putnam Co., TN: Dwl: 317 – **Wade Bartlett** is head of household, 36 yrs. old, b. December 1863, TN, black, (father born in TN, mother, VA), Occupation: farmer, md 16 yrs. to **Ellen**, 40 yrs. old, b. February 1860, TN, black, (parent both born in TN), no children).

(1910 census 1<sup>st</sup> Civil Dist., Putnam Co., TN: Dwl: 126 – **Wade Bartlett** is head of household, 49 yrs. old, TN, black, Occupation: Sawyer Handle Factory, md 25 yrs. to **Mary E.**, 49 yrs. old, TN, black).

(1920 census 1<sup>st</sup> Civil Dist., Putnam Co., TN: Dwl: 362 – **Wade Bartlett** is head of household, 52 yrs. old, TN, mulatto, (father born in US, mother, VA), Occupation: sawyer at handle mill, md to **Ellen**, 53 yrs. old, TN, mulatto, (father born in TN, mother, VA, Occupation: laundress, own home).

**Harry Y. Betty Obt.**

b. 1899, Cookeville, Putnam Co., TN – d. unknown, funeral marker (from obt. 11 November 1979 in Detroit, MI), md to **Vallie (Cullom) Betty**. Harry Y. Betty, s/o **Sam & Phoebe Betty**.

**COOKEVILLE** – Funeral services for Harry Y. Betty, 82, will be conducted at Wright United Methodist Church on Saturday, Nov. 17, at 3 p.m. with the Rev. Leroy Jackson officiating. Burial will be in Buck Cemetery.

Mr. Betty, a former resident of Cookeville, died November 11 at a hospital in Detroit, MI, following an extended illness.

A native of Cookeville, he was the son of the late Sam and Phoebe Betty. He was a member of the Methodist Church.

Survivors include two daughters, Mrs. Mildred Harris and Mrs. Virginia Watson, both of Detroit; a stepdaughter, Mrs. Lena Bell Click, also of Detroit; a sister, Mrs. Pearl B. Johnson of Lenora City, TN; seven great-grandchildren and three great-great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Vallie Cullom Betty.

Visitation will be held tonight from 7 to 9 p.m. at Hooker Funeral Home in Algood.

Herald Citizen Newspaper, Cookeville, TN: 16 November 1979

**Jewel D. (Click) Bohanon**, b. 18 July 1925 – d. 1 August 1962, md **Bill Bohanon**.  
'Loved by one and all'

**Edd Bolton**, b. 1880, TN – d. May 1963, md **Malessie (unknown) Bolton**, b. 1878, TN – d. 1971.

(SS Death Index: Name: **BOLTON, EDD** – Birth: 01 Jul 1879 -Death: May 1963-Age: 83- Last Residence (TN) - Last Benefit: (none specified) – SSN: 410-03-3685-Issued By: TN).

(1910 census 1<sup>st</sup> Civil Dist., Putnam Co., TN: Dwl: 128 – **Ed Bolton** is head of household, 30 yrs. old, TN, black, Occupation: labor, railroad, md 13 yrs. to **Malissie**, 27 yrs. old, TN, mulatto, Occupation: Laundress, working out).

**Arretter (Bartlett) Buck**, b. 16 March 1895 – d. 26 June 1964, possibly Detroit, MI, md **Charlie Francis Buck**.

'She is not dead but sleepeth'

\*See Walter C. Buck buried in Buck Cemetery for Blacks.

(1920 census 1<sup>st</sup> Civil Dist., Walton Rd., Putnam Co., TN: Dwl: 368 – **Charlie Buck** is head of household, 30 yrs. old, TN, mulatto, (parents both born in TN), Occupation: laborer handle mill, md to **Retta**, 29 yrs. old, TN, black, (parents both born in TN), Occupation: washwoman. Children: Carrie Buck, 8 yrs. old, TN).

**Harison Buck**, b. ca. 1839 - d. 23 November 1917, Putnam Co., TN, age 70 yrs., md **Millie Buck**, b. 1841, VA – d. 3 November 1909, age 68 yrs.

\*See Katie (Buck) McClellan buried in Buck Cemetery for Blacks.

(Sources: Tennessee Deaths and Burials Index, 1874–1955. FamilySearch, Salt Lake City, Utah, 2009, 2010. Index entries derived from digital copies of original and compiled records. Ancestry.com. *Tennessee, Deaths and Burials Index, 1874-1955* [database on-line]. Provo, UT, USA: Ancestry.com Operations, Inc., 2011. Original data:

Name: **Harrison Buck** - Birth Date: abt 1839. Birth Place: Tennessee. Age: about 78. Death Date: 23 Nov 1917. Death Place: 1st Dist, Cookeville, Putnam, Tennessee. Burial Date: 24 Nov 1917. Burial Place: Putnam County, Tennessee. Cemetery Name: Buck Grave Yard. Gender: Male Race: Colored (Black). Marital Status: Widowed. Occupation: Farmer. FHL Film Number: 1299674.

(1900 census 1<sup>st</sup> Civil Dist., Putnam Co., TN: Dwl: 320 - **Harrison Buck** is head of household, 60 yrs. old, b. December 1839, TN, black, (father born in GA, mother, GA), Occupation: Farmer, md 45 yrs. to **Millie**, 62 yrs. old, b. April 1838, VA, black, VA (parents both born in VA), 10 children born, 7 children living).

(1910 census 1<sup>st</sup> Civil Dist., Putnam Co., TN: Dwl: 155 – **Ben McClellan** is head of household, 34 yrs. old, TN, black, Occupation: miller, roller mill, md 11 yrs. to **Katie**, 31 yrs. old, TN, mulatto, (father born in TN, mother, GA). Also living in the household: **Harrison Buck, father-in-law**, 69 yrs. old, TN, mulatto, widow, (father born in TN, mother, GA), no occupation).

**Walter C. "Bud" Buck**, b. 20 June 1930, Cookeville, Putnam Co., TN – d. 7 July 1979, Nashville, Davidson Co., TN, (Cpl US Army Korea), md on the 6<sup>th</sup> of November 1951, Putnam Co., TN to **Evelyn Ethelyn Garrett**, b. 10 July 1931. Walter C. Buck, s/o **Charlie Francis Buck & Arretter Bartlett**.

\*See Arretter (Bartlett) Buck buried in Buck Cemetery for Blacks.

(Source: Tennessee State Marriage record, Putnam Co., TN, pg. 76: Walter C. Buck (col), married on the b. 20 June 1930, age 21, address: Rt. 2, Silver Point, Putnam Co., TN, to Evelyn Ethelyn Garrett, b. 10 July 1931, age 20, address: Rt. 1, Silver Point, Putnam Co., TN, name of parent, guardian or next of kin of female: Carinth Garrett, Rt. 1 Silver Point, TN. Name of parent, guardian or next of kin of male: Charlie Buck, Cookeville, TN. Health certificate dated: 6 November 1951, issued by Dr. T. Shipley).

Children of Walter C. Buck & Evelyn Ethelyn Garrett: Charles Anthony Buck, Evelyn Diane Buck, Gerald Buck, Pamela Renee Buck & Walter Garrett Buck.

**Alma Georgiana Butler**, b. 14 July 1912 – d. August 1983.

**Della M. Carr**, b. 20 June 1902 – d. 27 June 1950.

**Melvon Carver**, b. 2 May 1894, TN – d. 26 December 1966, md **Mattie Carver**, b. 12 April 1900 – d. ?

(1910 census 1<sup>st</sup> Civil Dist., Putnam Co., TN: Dwl: 153 – **Lon Carver** is head of household, 53 yrs. old, TN, black, (father born in TN, mother, LA), Occupation: laborer, odd jobs, M2, md 14 yrs. to **Sallie**, 40 yrs. old, TN, black, 10 children born, 8 children living. Children: Lizzie, 21 yrs. old; Occupation: cook, private house; **Lon**, 15 yrs. old, Occupation: porter, hotel; Alvie D., 14 yrs. old; Annie, 12 yrs. old; Dana, 8 yrs. old; Effa C., 3 yrs. old & Edner Carver, 9/12 yrs. old. All born in TN. Also living in the household: Marry Jones, Oitf, 76 yrs. old, KY, black, widow, 1 child born, 0 living).

**James H. Click**, b. 19 July 1929 – d. 3 August 1965, (TN Cpl 9111 Tech Svc Korea). Military marker.

(SS Death Index: Name: **CLICK, JAMES** – Birth: 19 Jul 1929 -Death: Aug 1965-Age: 36- Last Residence (not specified) - Last Benefit: (none specified) – SSN: 415-30-1089 -Issued By: TN).

**Tennie (Ferrell) Click**, b. 7 November 1907, Cookeville, Putnam Co., TN – d. 1 March 1942, Cookeville, Putnam Co., TN, black, md **Virgil Lee Click**, b. 10 February 1904 – d. 12 January 1982. They had a daughter named **Mary Flossie (Click) Dowell** (1933-1987) who md **Cordell Dowell**. Mary is buried in the Algood Heritage Cemetery, Algood, Putnam Co., TN. **Tennie (Ferrell) Click, d/o Haskell Ferrell & Bennie Cullum.**

(**Sources:** Tennessee Deaths and Burials Index, 1874–1955. FamilySearch, Salt Lake City, Utah, 2009, 2010. Index entries derived from digital copies of original and compiled records. Ancestry.com. *Tennessee, Deaths and Burials Index, 1874-1955* [database on-line]. Provo, UT, USA: Ancestry.com Operations, Inc., 2011. Original data:

Name: **Tennie Ferrell Click [Tennie Ferrell Ferrell]**. Birth Date: 7 Nov 1907. Birth Place: Cookeville Tennessee. Age: 34. Death Date: 1 Mar 1942. Death Place: Cookeville, Putnam, Tennessee. Burial Date: 2 Mar 1942. Burial Place: Cookeville. Cemetery Name: Buck G Y. Gender: Female. Race: Colored (Black). Marital Status: Married. Residence Place: Cookeville, Putnam, Tennessee. Occupation: House Wife. Cause of Death: Childbirth complicated by tumor or cyst. Father's Name: Haskiel Ferrell. Father's Birth Place: Putman, Tennessee. Mother's Name: Bennie Cullum. Mother's Birth Place: Jackson, Tennessee. Spouse's Name: Virgil Click. FHL Film Number: 1876909.

**Claud Crook**, b. 1904 – d. 1969, funeral marker.

**Thomas H. Eldridge**, b. 12 January 1918 – d. 25 October 1966.

**Lou (Qualls) Farley**, b. 1860, TN – d. 11 September 1937, Cookeville, Putnam Co., TN md **William Farley**. Lou (Qualls) Farley, d/o **Alex & Edith Qualls**.

(**Sources:** Tennessee Deaths and Burials Index, 1874–1955. FamilySearch, Salt Lake City, Utah, 2009, 2010. Index entries derived from digital copies of original and compiled records. Ancestry.com. *Tennessee, Deaths and Burials Index, 1874-1955* [database on-line]. Provo, UT, USA: Ancestry.com Operations, Inc., 2011. Original data:

Name: **Lou Farley [Lou Qualls]** Birth Date: abt 1860. Birth Place: Tennessee. Age: 77 Death Date: 11 Sep 1937. Death Place: Cookeville, Putnam, Tennessee. Burial Date: Sep 1937. Cemetery Name: Buck Cemetery. Gender: Female Race: Colored (Black). Marital Status: Widowed. Father's Name: Alex Qualls.

Father's Birth Place: Tennessee. Mother's Name: Edith Qualls. Mother's Birth Place: Tennessee. FHL Film Number: 1876854

(1900 census 1<sup>st</sup> Civil Dist., Putnam Co., TN: Dwl: 260 – **William Farley** is head of household, 35 yrs. old, b. May 1865, TN, black, (parents both born in TN), md 9 yrs. to **Lou**, 38 yrs. old, b. January 1862, TN, black, (parents both born in TN), 8 children born, 5 children living. Children: Sidney, 16 yrs. old, b. September 1883; Norman, 12 yrs. old, b. September 1887; Alex, 8 yrs. old, b. June 1892; Kate, 3 yrs. old, b. November 1896 & Alice Farley, 1 yr. old, b. October 1898. All born in TN).

(1910 census 1<sup>st</sup> Civil Dist., Putnam Co., TN: Dwl: 280 – **Will Farley** is head of household, 48 yrs. old, TN, mulatto, Occupation: laborer, odd jobs, M1, md 18 yrs. to **Lou**, 47 yrs. old, TN, mulatto, Occupation: laundress, working out, M2, 9 children born, 4 children living. Children: Alex, 18 yrs. old, Occupation: laborer, odd jobs; Kata, 13 yrs. old & Allis Farley, 11 yrs. old. All born in TN).

**Sally M. (Bartlett) Farley**, b. 1897 – d. 24 February 1985, md **Alex Farley**.

\*See Catharine (Lamberson) Bartlett buried in Buck Cemetery.

(1910 census 1<sup>st</sup> Civil Dist., Putnam Co., TN: Dwl: 152 – **Sherman Bartlett** is head of household, 47 yrs. old, TN, mulatto, (parents both born in TN), Occupation: laborer, rail road, md 20 yrs. to **Catherine**, 33 yrs. old, TN, mulatto, Occupation: Laundress, at home, 9 children born, 7 children living. Children: Viola, 19 yrs. old, Occupation: laundress, at home; Marry, 15 yrs. old, Occupation: cook, private house; **Sallie**, 13 yrs. old, Occupation: cook, hotel; Clinnie, 10 yrs. old; Flossie, 7 yrs. old; Mirtle, 5 yrs. old & Curdis H. Bartlett, 2 yrs. old. All born in TN).

**Asberry "Berry" Ferrell**, b. 1866, TN – d. 1956, md **Tennessee "Tennie" (Maddox) Ferrell**, b. 1870, Putnam Co., TN – d. 26 May 1943, d/o **Filanda Maddox & Maria Fain**.

\*See Charlie Ferrell buried in Buck Cemetery for Blacks.

(**Sources:** Tennessee Deaths and Burials Index, 1874–1955. FamilySearch, Salt Lake City, Utah, 2009, 2010. Index entries derived from digital copies of original and compiled records. Ancestry.com. *Tennessee, Deaths and Burials Index, 1874-1955* [database on-line]. Provo, UT, USA: Ancestry.com Operations, Inc., 2011. Original data:

Name: **Tennessee Ferrell [Tennessee Maddox]**. Birth Date: abt 1869. Birth Place: Putnam, Tennessee. Age: 74. Death Date: 26 May 1943. Death Place: Cookeville, Putnam, Tennessee. Burial Date: 29 May 1943. Burial Place: Cookeville. Cemetery Name: Buck County. Gender: Female. Race: Colored (Black). Marital Status: Widowed. Residence Place: Cookeville, Putnam, Tennessee. Occupation: Housework. Father's Name: Filanda Maddox. Father's Birth Place: Putnam, Tennessee. Mother's Name: Maria Fain. Mother's Birth Place: Putnam, Tennessee. FHL Film Number: 2137335

(1900 census 1<sup>st</sup> Civil Dist., Putnam Co., TN: Dwl: 390 – **Asberry Ferrell** is head of household, 38 yrs. old, b. August 1861, TN, black, (parents both born in TN), Occupation: teamster, md 16 yrs. to **Tennessee**, 28 yrs. old, b. May 1872, TN, black, (parents both born in TN), 6 children born, 6 children living. Children: Author, 15 yrs. old, b. July 1884; L. E., 11 yrs. old, b. June 1887; Haskel, 11 yrs. old, b. April 1889; Harvey, 9 yrs. old, b. May 1891; Charley, 6 yrs. old, b. February 1894 & Jel Ferrell, 4 yrs. old, b. February 1896. All born in TN).

(1910 census 1<sup>st</sup> Civil Dist., Nashville and Cookeville Road, Putnam Co., TN: Dwl: 141, Family 147 – **Berry Ferrell** is head of household, 52 yrs. old, TN, M+D, Occupation: mortarer brick works, md 26 yrs. to **Tennie**, 41 yrs. old, TN, black, 6 children born, 6 children living. Children: Charlie, 15 yrs. old, TN, mulatto & Jetson Ferrell, 13 yrs. old, TN, mulatto). In Dwl: 141, Family 148: **Harve Ferrell** is head of household, 19 yrs. old, TN, mulatto, Occupation: laborer, rail road, md 0 yrs. to **Allis**, 17 yrs. old, TN, mulatto, 1 child born, 1 child living. Child: unnamed son, 1/12 yrs. old, TN).

(1920 census 1<sup>st</sup> Civil Dist., Putnam Co., TN: Dwl: 352 – **Berry Ferrell** is head of household, 58 yrs. old, TN, (parents both born in TN), Occupation: mortar mixer, working out, mulatto, md to **Tennie**, 46 yrs. old,

TN (parents both born in TN), mulatto. Children: Charlie, 23 yrs. old, TN, mulatto & Tennie Ferrell, 12 yrs. old, TN, mulatto).

**Charlie Ferrell**, b. 6 February 1896, TN – d. 10 March 1965, (TN Pvt 803 Pioneer Inf WWI), md **Carrie (unknown) Ferrell**, b. 1892 – d. 11 January 1962, age 70, funeral marker. Charlie Ferrell, s/o Berry Ferrell. Military marker.

\*See Berry Ferrell buried in Buck Cemetery for Blacks.

(1920 census 1<sup>st</sup> Civil Dist., Putnam Co., TN: Dwl: 352 – **Berry Ferrell** is head of household, 58 yrs. old, TN, (parents both born in TN), Occupation: mortar mixer, working out, mulatto, md to **Tennie**, 46 yrs. old, TN (parents both born in TN), mulatto. Children: **Charlie**, 23 yrs. old, TN, mulatto & Tennie Ferrell, 12 yrs. old, TN, mulatto).

**Alvis Hardy**, b. 23 July 1905, TN – d. 1 March 1980.

(SS Death Index: Name: **HARDY, ALVIS** – Birth: 23 Jul 1905 -Death: Mar 1980-Age: 74- Last Residence (Cookeville, Putnam Co., TN) - Last Benefit: (none specified) – SSN: 414-03-1007 -Issued By: TN).

(1910 census 1<sup>st</sup> Civil Dist., Jackson Co., TN: Dwl: 152 – **Claud Haile** is head of household, 52 yrs. old, TN, black, (father born in TN, mother, VA), Occupation: laborer odd jobs, md 31 yrs. to **Harriet**, 50 yrs. old, TN, black, (parents both born in TN). Occupation: laundress, private home. Children: Fannie L., 28 yrs. old, TN, Occupation: laundress, private home; Mark, 25 yrs. old, TN, Occupation: laborer, general & Leslie Haile, 13 yrs. old, TN. Also living in the household: Etta Haile, granddaughter, 4 yrs. old, TN & Edwin Haile, grandson, 1 1/2 yrs. old, TN. Also living in the household: **Alvis Hardy**, grandson, 4 yrs. old, TN).

**Melvin Douglas Hardy**, b. 17 November 1931 – d. 20 November 1983.

**Lorene Hill**, b. 1901 – d. 1982, funeral home marker.

**Thad Holliday**, b. 3 October 1898, MS – d. 1 July 1963, (TN Pvt 460 Base Unit AAF WWII). Military marker.

(SS Death Index: Name: **HOLLIDAY, THAD** – Birth: 03 Oct 1896 -Death: Jul 1963-Age: 66- Last Residence (TN) - Last Benefit: (none specified) – SSN: 415-16-4896 -Issued By: TN).

(Source: WWII Army Enlistment Record: Name: Thad Holliday. Birth Year: 1902. Race: Negro, Citizen. Nativity State of Country: MS. State of Residence: TN. County or City: Putnam. Enlistment Date: 17 September 1942. Enlistment State: TN. Enlistment City: Camp Forrest. Branch: Branch Immaterial-Warrant Officers, USA. Branch Code: Branch Immaterial-Warrant Officers, USA. Grade: Private. Grade Code: Private. Term of Enlistment: Enlistment for the duration of the War or other emergency, plus six months, subject to the discretion of the President or otherwise according to law. Component: Selectees (Enlisted Men). Source: Civil Life. Education: Grammar school. Civil Occupation: Cooks, except private family. Marital Status: Widower or widow, without dependents. Height: 65. Weight: 124).

(1900 census, Beat 1, Yalobusha, MS: Dwl: 10 - **John Holliday** is head of household, 22 yrs. old, b. December 1877, MS, black, (parents both born in MS), md 3 yrs. to **Annah**, 21 yrs. old, b. July 1878, MS, black, 2 children born, 2 children living. Children: **Thad Holliday**, 3 yrs. old, b. October 1896, MS & Johnnie Holliday, 2 yrs. old, b. November 1897, MS).

(1920 census, Beat 3, Yalobusha, MS; Dwl: 194 – **Harry Hervey** is head of household, 65 yrs. old, MS, black, md to **Elvira**, 50 yrs. old. Children: Alac, 17 yrs. old, MS & Evans Hervey, 14 yrs. old, MS. Also living in the household: **Thad Holliday, grandson**, 24 yrs. old, MS, Occupation: packer at the cotton gin; Ethel Holliday, granddaughter, 16 yrs. old, MS & Henry Holliday, grandson, 14 yrs. old, MS).

**Flossie Bartlett Jamerson**, b. 14 November 1902 – d. 28 September 1942.

**Gilbert A. Johnson**, b. 24 December 1877, GA – d. 26 January 1961, md on the 4<sup>th</sup> of March 1911, Putnam Co., TN to **Ollie M. (Anderson) Johnson**, b. 22 January 1885 – d. 20 April 1983.  
'Rest, Soldier, Rest, Thy Warfare is over' 'Resting in Hope of a Glorious Resurrection'

(Source: Tennessee State Marriage record, Putnam Co., TN, pg. 32, #127 - Gilbert A. Johnson married 4 March 1911, Putnam Co., TN to Ollie M. Anderson).

(1920 census 1<sup>st</sup> Civil Dist., Putnam Co., TN: Dwl: 346 - **G. A. Johnson** is head of household, 43 yrs. old, GA, mulatto, (father born, VA, mother, GA), Occupation: minister circuit, md to **Ollie M.**, 38 yrs. old, TN, black, Occupation: wash woman, working out, (parents both born in TN). Living in the household: **Mary Anderson, mother-in-law**, 50 yrs. old, TN, black, widow, (parent both born in TN), Occupation: wash woman, working out).

**Herman Lee Jones**, b. 25 October 1933 – d. 6 September 1954.

**Livy M. Lancaster**, b. 28 July 1896 – d. 20 May 1962, (TN Pvt 368 Amb Co 92 Div WWII).

**Admiral Dewey Lanford**, b. 5 April 1898 – d. 26 April 1961.

**Elvay Warren Lankford**, (funeral marker), b. 1882/1885, TN – d. 1967, md **Sallie (unknown) Lankford**.  
Elvay Warren Lankford, s/o **Eumph Warren Lankford & Della Farrell**.  
\*See Eumph Warren Langford buried in Buck Cemetery.

(1900 census 1<sup>st</sup> Civil Dist., Putnam Co., TN: Dwl: 156 - **Warren Langford** is head of household, 33 yrs. old, b. June 1866, TN, black, (parents both born in TN), Occupation: works at livery stable, md 17 yrs. to **Della**, 32 yrs. old, TN, b. August 1867, TN, (parents both born in TN), black, 8 children born, 8 children living. Children: **Warren**, 15 yrs. old, b. February 1885, Occupation: works at hotel; Annie, 13 yrs. old, b. December 1886; Maud, 10 yrs. old, b. October 1889; Vally, 8 yrs. old, b. November 1891; Clara, 6 yrs. old, b. October 1893; Frankie, 4 yrs. old, b. October 1895; Mary, 3 yrs. old, b. December 1896 & Dewey Lankford, 1 yr. old, b. December 1898. All born in TN).

(1910 census 1<sup>st</sup> Civil Dist., Nashville and Cookeville Road, Putnam Co., TN: Dwl: 143, family 150 – **Eumph W. Lankford** is head of household, 56 yrs. old, TN, black, (father born in VA, mother, TN), Occupation: Gardner, md 27 yrs. to **Dellar**, 43 yrs. old, TN, black, (father born, not listed, mother, VA), 12 children born, 11 children living. Children: Annie, 23 yrs. old, md 8 yrs., 1 child born, 1 child living, Occupation: cook at hotel; Vallie, 20 yrs. old, Occupation: cook, private house; Clara, 18 yrs. old, Occupation: Cook, hotel; Frankie, dau., 16 yrs. old, Occupation: cook, hotel; Mary, 14 yrs. old; Dew, 11 yrs. old; Nell, 8 yrs. old; Marvin, 6 yrs. old; Jossie, 4 yrs. old & Thomas H. Lankford, 2 yrs. old. All born in TN).

(1910 census 1<sup>st</sup> Civil Dist., Putnam Co., TN: Dwl: 143, family 151 - **Eva Langford** is head of household, 25 yrs. old, TN, male, black, md 1 yr. to **Sallie**, 22 yrs. old, TN, 1 child born, 1 child living. Child: Chester Lankford, 10/12 yrs. old, TN).

**Eumph Warren Langford**

b. abt. 1864, TN – d. 9 June 1926, Cookeville, Putnam Co., TN, md **Della (Farrell) Langford**, b. August 1867, TN Eumph Warren Langford, s/o **Oliver Langford & Elizabeth Davis**.

(1900 census 1<sup>st</sup> Civil Dist., Putnam Co., TN: Dwl: 156 - **Warren Langford** is head of household, 33 yrs. old, b. June 1866, TN, black, (parents both born in TN), Occupation: works at livery stable, md 17 yrs. to **Della**, 32 yrs. old, TN, b. August 1867, TN, (parents both born in TN), black, 8 children born, 8 children living. Children: **Warren**, 15 yrs. old, b. February 1885, Occupation: works at hotel; Annie, 13 yrs. old, b. December 1886; Maud, 10 yrs. old, b. October 1889; Vally, 8 yrs. old, b. November 1891; Clara, 6 yrs. old, b. October 1893; Frankie, 4 yrs. old, b. October 1895; Mary, 3 yrs. old, b. December 1896 & Dewey Lankford, 1 yr. old, b. December 1898. All born in TN).

(1910 census 1<sup>st</sup> Civil Dist., Nashville and Cookeville Road, Putnam Co., TN: Dwl: 143, family 150 – **Eumph W. Lankford** is head of household, 56 yrs. old, TN, black, (father born in VA, mother, TN), Occupation: Gardner, md 27 yrs. to **Dellar**, 43 yrs. old, TN, black, (father born , not listed, mother, VA), 12 children born, 11 children living. Children: Annie, 23 yrs. old, md 8 yrs., 1 child born, 1 child living, Occupation: cook at hotel; Vallie, 20 yrs. old, Occupation: cook, private house; Clara, 18 yrs. old, Occupation: Cook, hotel; Frankie, dau., 16 yrs. old, Occupation: cook, hotel; Mary, 14 yrs. old; Dew, 11 yrs. old; Nell, 8 yrs. old; Marvin, 6 yrs. old; Jossie, 4 yrs. old & Thomas H. Lankford, 2 yrs. old. All born in TN).

**Josephus Leeper**, b. 19 March 1880 – d. 16 November.

**Albert McClellan**, b. 21 December 1879, TN – d. 8 April 1972, md **Fannie (Rowland) McClellan**, b. 15 May 1883, Smith Co., TN – d. 26 August 1951, Cookeville, Putnam Co., TN, d/o **Isaac B. Rowland & Martha McClellan**.

\*See John Lee McClellan buried in Buck Cemetery for Blacks.

(SS Death Index: Name: **MCCLELLAN, ALBERT** – Birth: 25 Dec 1879 -Death: Apr 1972-Age: 92- Last Residence (Cookeville, Putnam Co., TN) - Last Benefit: (none specified) – SSN: 411-90-4923 -Issued By: TN).

(**Sources:** Tennessee Deaths and Burials Index, 1874–1955. FamilySearch, Salt Lake City, Utah, 2009, 2010. Index entries derived from digital copies of original and compiled records. Ancestry.com. *Tennessee, Deaths and Burials Index, 1874-1955* [database on-line]. Provo, UT, USA: Ancestry.com Operations, Inc., 2011. Original data:

Name: **Fannie McClellan [Fannie Rowland]**. Birth Date: abt 1885. Age: 66 Death Date: 26 Aug 1951. Death Place: Cookeville, Putnam, Tennessee. Gender: colored Female. Father's Name: Isaac Rowland. Mother's Name: Martha McClellan. FHL Film Number: 2372451.

(1900 census 1<sup>st</sup> Civil Dist., Putnam Co., TN: Dwl: 312 – **Albert McClellan** is head of household, 20 yrs. old, b. May 1880, TN, black, Occupation: day laborer, md 1 yr. to **Fannie**, 18 yrs. old, b. May 1882, TN, black).

(1900 census 1<sup>st</sup> Civil Dist., Putnam Co., TN: Dwl: 314 – **Isaac Rowland** is head of household, 83 yrs. old, b. October 1816, TN, black, Occupation: day labor, md 31 yrs. to **Martha**, 45 yrs. old, b. May 1855, TN, (father born in TN, mother, VA), black. Children: William, 12 yrs. old, b. September 1887, TN & Thomas Rowland, 2 yrs. old, b. September 1897, TN).

(1910 census 1<sup>st</sup> Civil Dist., Putnam Co., TN: Dwl: 130 – **Albert McClellan** is head of household, 28 yrs. old, TN, Occupation: laborer railroad, (parents both born in TN), black, md 9 yrs. to **Fannie**, 25 yrs. old, TN, black, (parents both born in TN), Occupation: Laundress at home, 6 children born, 5 children living. Children: E.D.W., 8 yrs. old; Shelvey, 6 yrs. old; Arrene, 5 yrs. old; Albert G., 3 yrs. old & S. T. McClellan, 7/12 yrs. old. All born in TN).

(1920 census 1<sup>st</sup> Civil Dist., Putnam Co., TN: Dwl: 338 – **Albert McClellan** is head of household, 40 yrs. old, TN, black, Occupation: labor at saw mill, md to **Fannie**, 35 yrs. old, TN, mulatto, Occupation: wash woman, own home. Children: Edd McClellan, son, 18 yrs. old, TN, mulatto, Occupation: none. Living in Dwl: 339 – Shevil McClellan, son, 16 yrs. old, TN, mulatto, Occupation: laborer working out; Irene, dau., 14 yrs. old, TN, mulatto, Occupation: wash woman, own home; Garfield, son, 13 yrs. old, TN, mulatto; S. T., son, 11 yrs. old, TN & **John Lee McClellan**, son, 6 yrs. old, TN, mulatto).

**Ben W. McClellan**, b. 24 June 1875, Chestnut Mound, TN – d. 11 May 1926, Cookeville, Putnam Co., TN, md **Katie (Buck) McClellan**, b. 1879, TN, d/o **Harrison & Millie Buck**. Ben W. McClellan, s/o **Greene McClellan & Lizzie Gordon**.

\*See Harison Buck buried in Buck Cemetery for Blacks.

(Sources: Tennessee Deaths and Burials Index, 1874–1955. FamilySearch, Salt Lake City, Utah, 2009, 2010. Index entries derived from digital copies of original and compiled records. Ancestry.com. *Tennessee, Deaths and Burials Index, 1874-1955* [database on-line]. Provo, UT, USA: Ancestry.com Operations, Inc., 2011. Original data:

Name: **Ben W McClelland**. Gender: Male. Birth Date: 24 Jun 1875. Birth Place: Chestnut Mound, Tennessee. Age: 50, colored. Death Date: 11 May 1926. Death Place: Cookeville, Putnam, Tennessee. Occupation: Merchant. Father's Name: Greene McClellan. Mother's Name: Lizzie Gordon.

(1900 census 1<sup>st</sup> Civil Dist., Putnam Co., TN: Dwl: 318 – **Ben McClellan** is head of household, 25 yrs. old, b. June 1875, TN, mulatto with black strike over, (parents both born in TN), md 2 yrs. to **Katie**, 21 yrs. old, b. November 1878, TN, black, (parent both born in TN).

(1910 census 1<sup>st</sup> Civil Dist., Putnam Co., TN: Dwl: 155 – **Ben McClellan** is head of household, 34 yrs. old, TN, black, Occupation: miller, roller mill, md 11 yrs. to **Katie**, 31 yrs. old, TN, mulatto, (father born in TN, mother, GA). Also living in the household: **Harrison Buck, father-in-law**, 69 yrs. old, TN, mulatto, widow, (father born in TN, mother, GA), no occupation).

(1920 census 1<sup>st</sup> Civil Dist., Putnam Co., TN: Dwl: 362 – **Ben W. McClellan** is head of household, 44 yrs. old, TN, mulatto, (parents both born in the US), Occupation: merchant general merchandise, md to **Katie**, 42 yrs. old, TN, black, (parent both born in TN).

**John Lee McClellan**, b. 15 June 1913, TN – d. 19 July 1973, TN, md on the 24<sup>th</sup> of February 1954, Putnam Co., TN to **Lillie Bea (Apple) McClellan**, b. 4 July 1926. John Lee McClellan, s/o **Fannie & Albert McClelland**.

\*See Albert McClellan buried in Buck Cemetery for Blacks.

(Source: Tennessee State Marriage record, Putnam Co., TN, pg. 224: John Lee McClellan (col), married 24 February 1954, Putnam Co., TN, age 40, b. 15 June 1913, address: Cookeville, TN to Lillie Bea Apple, age 27, b. 4 July 1926, address: Cookeville, TN, name of parent, guardian or next of kin of female: Howard Apple, Cookeville, TN. Name of parent, guardian or next of kin of male: Albert McClellan, Cookeville, TN. Health certificate dated: 17 February 1954, issued by Dr. Lex Dyer).

(1900 census 1<sup>st</sup> Civil Dist., Putnam Co., TN: Dwl: 312 – **Albert McClellan** is head of household, 20 yrs. old, b. May 1880, TN, black, md 1 yr. to **Fannie**, 18 yrs. old, b. May 1882, TN, black).

(1920 census 1<sup>st</sup> Civil Dist., Putnam Co., TN: Dwl: 338 – **Albert McClellan** is head of household, 40 yrs. old, TN, black, Occupation: labor at saw mill, md to **Fannie**, 35 yrs. old, TN, mulatto, Occupation: wash woman, own home. Children: Edd McClellan, son, 18 yrs. old, TN, mulatto, Occupation: none. Living in Dwl: 339 – Shevil McClellan, son, 16 yrs. old, TN, mulatto, Occupation: laborer working out; Irene, dau., 14 yrs. old, TN, mulatto, Occupation: wash woman, own home; Garfield, son, 13 yrs. old, TN, mulatto; S. T., son, 11 yrs. old, TN & **John Lee McClellan**, son, 6 yrs. old, TN, mulatto).

**Elise Allen Moreford**, b. 11 June 1887 – d. 30 June 1958, md **William Moreford**.

**Marry Y. Petty**, b. 1899 – d. 1979.

**Fred Ray**, b. 1881, TN – d. 23 October 1955, Cookeville, Putnam Co., TN, s/o **Mr. & Harriet Ray**. funeral home marker.

(Sources: Tennessee Deaths and Burials Index, 1874–1955. FamilySearch, Salt Lake City, Utah, 2009, 2010. Index entries derived from digital copies of original and compiled records. Ancestry.com. *Tennessee, Deaths and Burials Index, 1874-1955* [database on-line]. Provo, UT, USA: Ancestry.com Operations, Inc., 2011. Original data:

Name: **Fred Ray**. Birth Date: abt 1881. Age: 74. Death Date: 23 Oct 1955. Death Place: Cookeville, Putnam, Tennessee. Gender: Male. Father's Name: Ray. Mother's Name: Harriet Ray. FHL Film Number: 1512784.

(1920 census 1<sup>st</sup> Civil Dist., Putnam Co., TN: Dwl: 351 – **Maggie Rowland** is head of household, 41 yrs. old, TN, mulatto, (parents both born in TN), Occupation: washer woman, working out. Living in the household: **Fred Ray**, guest, 35 yrs. old, TN, (parent both born in TN), mulatto, single, Occupation: Laborer, working out).

**Edna Eller Roberts**, b. 2 December 1904 – d. 5 August 1967. Shares tombstone with her son **Fred Herman Wester Roberts**, b. 23 July 1935 – d. 10 December 1951.

\*See Fred Herman Wester Roberts buried in Buck Cemetery For Blacks.

**Fred Herman Wester Roberts**, b. 23 July 1935 – d. 10 December 1951.

\*See Edna Eller Roberts buried in Buck Cemetery for Blacks.

**John T. Robinson**, b. 9 March 1903 – d. 31 December 1976.

**Adell Settles**, b. unknown – d. 29 September 1982.

**Fannie Louise Beasley Smith**, b. 8 March 1924 – d. 29 September 1982.

(SS Death Index: Name: **SMITH, FANNIE** – Birth: 08 Mar 1924 -Death: 24 Sep 1982-Age: 58- Last Residence (Cookeville, Putnam Co., TN) - Last Benefit: (none specified) – SSN: 377-24-3331 -Issued By: MI).

**Odell Stanton**, b. 1907 – d. 1959.

**William Daniel Stanton**, b. 1873, Jackson Co., TN – d. 27 June 1951, Putnam Co., TN, Civil Dist., #1, md **Dora Stanton**, b. 1881 – d. 1965. William Daniel Stanton, s/o **Jacob Stanton & Ann McClelland**.

(Sources: Tennessee Deaths and Burials Index, 1874–1955. FamilySearch, Salt Lake City, Utah, 2009, 2010. Index entries derived from digital copies of original and compiled records. Ancestry.com. *Tennessee, Deaths and Burials Index, 1874-1955* [database on-line]. Provo, UT, USA: Ancestry.com Operations, Inc., 2011. Original data:

Name: **William Daniel Stanton**. Birth Date: abt 1874. Age: 77. Death Date: 27 Jun 1951. Death Place: Putnam, Tennessee. Gender: Male, colored. Occupation: Minister of Gospel and laborer. Kind of business; Preaching the gospel and handling lumber. Father's Name: Jacob Stanton. Mother's Name: Ann McClelland. FHL Film Number: 2372449.

(1900 census 5<sup>th</sup> Civil Dist., Jackson Co., TN: Dwl: 5 – **Jacob Stanton** is head of household, 70 yrs. old, b. March 1830, TN, black, (parents both born in NC), Occupation: farmer, md 40 yrs. to **Ann**, 55 yrs. old, b. October 1846, TN, black, (parent both born in TN), 18 children born, 12 children living. Children: Lizzie, 19 yrs. old, b. March 1881; George T., 16 yrs. old, b. March 1884; Alene, 14 yrs. old, b. December 1886; Jane E., 12 yrs. old, b. December 1888& Alta Stanton, 10 yrs. old, b. August 1890. All born in TN).

**James Bedford Stewart**, b. 16 August 1914, Putnam Co., TN – d. 31 January 1915, Cookeville, Putnam Co., TN, s/o **Walter Stewart & Ora Betty**.

(Sources: Tennessee Deaths and Burials Index, 1874–1955. FamilySearch, Salt Lake City, Utah, 2009, 2010. Index entries derived from digital copies of original and compiled records. Ancestry.com. *Tennessee, Deaths and Burials Index, 1874-1955* [database on-line]. Provo, UT, USA: Ancestry.com Operations, Inc., 2011. Original data:

Name: **James Bedford Stewart**. Gender: Male, black. Birth Date: 16 Aug 1915. Birth Place: Tennessee. Death Date: 31 Jan 1915. Death Place: Cookeville, Putnam, Tennessee. Father's Name: Walter Stewart. Mother's Name: Ora Betty.

**Suzie Steward**, b. dates missing, funeral home marker.

(1910 census 1<sup>st</sup> Civil Dist., Nashville and Cookeville Road, Putnam Co., TN: Dwl: 140 – **Charlie L. Seward** is head of household, 60 yrs. old, TN, black, (father born in VA, mother, TN, Occupation: minister gospel, M2, md 18 yrs. to **Susia**, 36 yrs. old, TN, black, (parents both born in TN), 5 children born, 5 children living. Children: Kata M., 16 yrs. old; Dora L., 14 yrs. old; Winnie, 12 yrs. old; Robert 10 yrs. old & Edward Seward, 2 yrs. old. All born in TN).

**Naomi B. (Buck) Strode**, b. 7 February 1925 – d. 12 May 1986.

**Carrie Terry**, b. 7 July 1927 – d. 22 January 1949.

**James Ware**, b. 1920 – d. 1978.

**Bonnell Wester**, b. 4 July 1927, Putnam Co., TN – d. 22 January 1949, Cookeville, Putnam Co., TN, (PFC 106 AAF Base Unit WWII), s/o **Robert Wester & Hossie Campls**.

(**Sources:** Tennessee Deaths and Burials Index, 1874–1955. FamilySearch, Salt Lake City, Utah, 2009, 2010. Index entries derived from digital copies of original and compiled records. Ancestry.com. *Tennessee, Deaths and Burials Index, 1874-1955* [database on-line]. Provo, UT, USA: Ancestry.com Operations, Inc., 2011. Original data:

Name: **Bonnell Wester**. Gender: Male, colored. Birth Date: 4 Jul 1927 Birth Place: Putnam. Age: 21. Death Date: 22 Jan 1949. Death Place: Cookeville, Putnam, Tennessee. Cause of Death: Stab wound left side of neck, interval between onset and death: Just a few minutes. How did the injury occur: Fight. Father's Name: Robert Wester. Mother's Name: Hassie Campls. Informant: Hilma J. Wester.

(**Source:** WWII Army Enlistment Record: Name: Bonnell Wester. Birth Year: 1927. Race: Negro, Citizen (Black). Nativity State or Country: Tennessee. State of Residence: Tennessee County or City: Davidson. Enlistment Date: 5 Mar 1946. Enlistment State: Georgia. Enlistment City: Fort Benning Branch: Air Corps Branch Code: Air Corps. Grade: Private Grade Code: Private Term of Enlistment: Enlistment for Hawaiian Department Component: Regular Army (including Officers, Nurses, Warrant Officers, and Enlisted Men) Source: Enlisted Man, Regular Army, after 3 months of Discharge. Education: 1 year of high school. Civil Occupation: Cook. Marital Status: Single, with dependents Height: 00 Weight: 005.

**Billy R. Western**, b. July 1963 – d. July 1963, GA Inc. funeral home marker.

**Fred D. Western**, b. 14 April 1925 – d. 19 December 1962, (TN Pvt 460 Base Unit AAF WWII). Military marker.

(**Source:** WWII Army Enlistment Record: Name: Fred D. Western. Birth Year: 1925. Race: Negro, Citizen. Nativity State of Country: TN. State of Residence: TN. County or City: Putnam. Enlistment Date: 24 July 1943. Enlistment State: TN. Enlistment City: Camp Forrest. Branch: No branch assignment. Branch Code: No branch assignment. Grade: Private. Grade Code: Private. Term of Enlistment: Enlistment for the duration of the War or other emergency, plus six months, subject to the discretion of the President or otherwise according to law. Component: Selectees (Enlisted Men). Source: Civil Life. Education: 1 year of high school Civil Occupation: Kitchen workers in hotels, restaurants, railroads, steamships, etc., n. e. c. Martial Status: Single, with dependents. Height: 00. Weight: 000).

**John Albert Western Jr.**, b. 7 November 1958, s/o **John Albert & Clara N. Western**. Shares marker with John Albert Sr. & Clara N. Western.

\*See John Albert Western Sr. buried in Buck Cemetery for Blacks.

**John Albert Western Sr.**, b. 19 April 1915 – d. 14 August 1983, md **Clara N. (unknown) Western**, b. 29 March 1937 – d. 26 April 1975. Shares marker with son John Albert Western Jr.

\*See John Albert Western Jr. buried in Buck Cemetery for Blacks.

(SS Death Index: Name: **WESTERN, JOHN** – Birth: 19 Apr 1910 -Death: Aug 1983-Age: 73- Last Residence (Cookeville, Putnam Co., TN) - Last Benefit: (none specified) – SSN: 413-18-1240 -Issued By: TN).

**John Henry Western**, (funeral marker), b. 1931- d. 1987

**Robert Allen Western**, b. 1 January 1897 – d. 29 November 1965.

**Taft Western**, b. 10 May 1908 – d. 10 May 1963.

[Known to be buried in this cemetery:](#)

**Ruth King Carr**, b. 28 January 1901- d. 1 December 1969, funeral marker, md **Thomas Hartman Carr**.

**Mattie Frances Elizabeth Carr**, b. 26 November 1920 – d. 1 May 1991, d/o **Hardee and Ruth Carr**.

**Definitions:** Mulatto, which is half black and half white, but used more generally with black people whose partial white ancestry shows.

They used to have exact definitions of racial heritage, back when laws specified which race could do what;

Mulatto = 1/2 black, 1/2 white

Quadroon = 1/4 black, 3/4 white

Octroon = 1/8 black, 7/8 white

In some states "one drop" of black ancestry meant you had to sit in the back of the bus and couldn't marry a white person. In others, if you were 1/16th or less black, you could do all the things white people could.

I have seen people of mixed ancestry switch between mulatto and white, or mulatto and black, on successive censuses.

The definition of race changed between censuses. To understand what it should have meant for your specific census year, you need to find out what the enumerators (the people who took the census) were told as to the definitions. Those instructions for each federal census year can be found at:

<http://usa.ipums.org/usa/voliii/tEnumIns...>

Yahoo

<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Mulatto>

\*Read more about Putnam County and their cemeteries at: <http://www.ajlambert.com>