

MADDUX-ELROD CEMETERY

Located on Highway 70, leaving Cookeville, going west towards Nashville, TN,
on the right hand side of the road, 12 miles west of Cookeville, TN.
It is easily seen from the highway, being about 15 feet off the road.
This is Putnam County.

(Compiled by Audrey J. (Denny) Lambert for her website at: <http://www.ajlambert.com>)

Sources: Putnam County Cemeteries by Maurine Ensor Patton & Doris (Garrison) Gilbert; Allison Connections by Della P. Franklin, 1988; census records; *Herald-Citizen* obts.; Tennessee DAR GRC report, S1 V056: Tennessee Counties Putnam, 1953; names, dates and information obtained from tombstones and research by Audrey J. (Denny) Lambert and others.

Jessie Gordon Elrod Jr.

b. 2 June 1958 – d. 2 June 1958.

Lafayette “Fate” Elrod Obt.

b. 7 April 1860, TN – d. 7 November 1940, md **Matilda Jane (King) Elrod**, b. 24 October 1863, Jackson Co., TN – d. 29 October 1947, d/o **Thomas King & Mariah Dyer**. Lafayette “Fate” Elrod, s/o **William & Mary Elrod**.

*See Robert Elrod Obt.

Funeral services for Fate Elrod, 80, of Gentry, who died at his home early today will be held tomorrow afternoon at Gentry. Burial will be in the family cemetery.

Mr. Elrod was a member of the Methodist Church and a progressive farmer and stockman.

Survivors are: his wife and four sons, Benton and Ira Elrod of Knoxville, William Elrod of Murfreesboro and Early Elrod of Gentry, three daughters, Miss Virgie Elrod, of Memphis, Mrs. E. B. Jones, of Akron, Ohio, and Mrs. Rube Tubb, of Seattle, Washington.

Putnam County Herald, Cookeville, TN:

Matilda Jane Elrod
b. 24 Oct 1863, Jackson Co., TN
d. 29 Oct 1947
Father: Thomas King
Mother: Mirah Dyer
Family Putnam
DC#24885, Putnam Co., TN

(1870 census 12th Civil Dist., Putnam Co., TN: Dwl: 5 – **William Elrod** is head of household, 45 yrs. old, TN, md to **Mary**, 45 yrs. old, TN. Children: Giles, 22 yrs. old; Frances, 18 yrs. old; James, 19 yrs. old; Katharine, 18 yrs. old; Thomas, 16 yrs. old; Frances, 14 yrs. old; Isaac, 12 yrs. old; **Lafayette**, 10 yrs. old; Line, 6 yrs. old; Kasibianka Elrod, 3 yrs. old. All born in TN. Also living in the household: **William Elrod Sen.**, 85 yrs. old, GA).

Census Place: 1880 District 12, Putnam Co., TN

Source: FHL Film 1255275 National Archives Film T9-1275 Page 160C
Dwl: 167

	Relation	Sex	Marr	Race	Age	Birthplace
William ELROD	Self	M	M	W	55	TN
Occ:	Farmer	Fa: GA	Mo: SC			
Mary ELROD	Wife	F	M	W	55	TN
Occ:	Keeping House	Fa: TN	Mo: TN			
Isaac ELROD	Son	M	S	W	21	TN

Occ: Works On Farm Fa: TN Mo: TN
Lafayette ELROD Son M S W 19 TN
 Occ: Works On Farm Fa: TN Mo: TN
Celina ELROD Dau F S W 15 TN
 Occ: At Home Fa: TN Mo: TN
 (*Celina "Lina" Elrod md Alius Thompson*)
 Casabianca ELROD Son M S W 18 TN
 Occ: Works On Farm Fa: TN Mo: TN
 Giles ELROD Son M D W 33 TN
 Occ: Labors On Farm Fa: TN Mo: TN

(1900 census 12th Civil Dist., Putnam Co., TN: Dwl: 43 – **Alius Thompson** is head of household, 32 yrs. old, b. March 1868, TN, md 14 yrs. to **Lina**, 35 yrs. old, b. January 1865, 3 children born, 3 children living. Children: Lee, 13 yrs. old, b. November 1886; Etta, 11 yrs. old, b. October 1888 & Nannie, 4 yrs. old, b. November 1896. All born in TN. Also living in the household: **Mary E. Elrod, mother-in-law**, 67 yrs. old, b. November 1832, TN, (parents both born in VA), widow, 12 children born, 9 children living).

(1900 census 12th Civil Dist., Putnam Co., TN: Dwl: 43 – **Lafayette Elrod** is head of household, 40 yrs. old, b. April 1860, TN, md 19 yrs. to **Matilda J.**, 36 yrs. old, b. October 1863, TN, 7 children born, 6 children living. Children: Ollie E., 17 yrs. old, b. September 1882; Ira T., 16 yrs. old, b. December 1883; William H., 14 yrs. old, b. September 1885; Benton, 13 yrs. old, b. April 1887; Early, 8 yrs. old, b. November 1891 & Minnie Elrod, 2 yrs. old, b. September 1897. All born in TN).

(1910 census 12th Civil Dist., Putnam Co., TN: Dwl: 32 - **Lafayette Elrod** is head of household, 50 yrs. old, TN, md 29 yrs. to **Matilda J.**, 46 yrs. old, TN, 8 children born, 7 children living. Children: William H., 24 yrs. old; Early G., 18 yrs. old; Minnie, 12 yrs. old & Laler V. Elrod, 7 yrs. old. All born in TN).

(1920 census 12th Civil Dist., Little Indian Creek, Putnam Co., TN: Dwl: 33 – **Ben F. Steakley** is head of household, 27 yrs. old, TN, md to **Mary E.**, 30 yrs. old, TN. Children: Arlie M., 7 yrs. old; Norvel, 3+ yrs. old & Maggie Steakley, 2 4/12 yrs. old. All born in TN. Also living in the household: **Lina Thompson, mother-in-law**, 53 yrs. old, TN, widow).

(1920 census 12th Civil Dist., Little Indian Creek, Putnam Co., TN: Dwl: 34 - **Lafayette Elrod** is head of household, 59 yrs. old, TN, md to **Matilda J.**, 56 yrs. old, TN. Children: Virgie L. Elrod, 17 yrs. old, TN).

Robert A. Elrod Obt.

b. 13 June 1916, TN – d. 29 October 1931, , TN, s/o **Earline G. "Early" Elrod** (1891-1970) & **Dora Stout** (1894-1979), both buried in Crest Lawn Cemetery, Putnam Co., TN.

*See Lafayette "Fate" Elrod buried in Maddux-Elrod Cemetery.

*See Dora (Stout) Elrod Obt.

Funeral Services Held For Highway Accident Victim: Robert Elrod, 15, Baxter Seminary Student Killed As He Stops From School Bus: Car Overturns, is Damaged:

Funeral services for Robert Elrod, 15, son of Mr. and Mrs. Early Elrod, were held at the home 13 miles West of Cookeville on Highway No. 24, Saturday afternoon by the Rev. Dow A. Ensor. Young Elrod was almost instantly killed at 4:30 Thursday afternoon as he stepped from a school bus at Ensor to allow a girl to alight.

According to witnesses, Elrod stepped from the rear door of the bus, and unconsciously got too far into the highway and was struck by an automobile driven by Charlie Lockridge, of Huntsville, AL. The car was overturned after striking Elrod but neither Lockridge nor Latham Davis, of Nashville, his riding companion, was seriously injured.

Elrod was rushed to the Millis hospital about 100 yards from the scene of the tragedy, but was dead before medical aid could be administered.

The youth, son of a prominent Putnam county farmer living in the tenth district, was a sophomore at Baxter Seminary, and his death was a severe blow to his class and the entire student body, among which he was popular and beloved.

Surviving him besides his parents, are a sister, Martha, and two brothers, James and Gordon.

Putnam County Herald, Cookeville, TN: Thursday, 5 November 1931.

George P. Gentry

b. 1 March 1913 – d. 24 April 1913, s/o **Solon Gentry** (1886-1955) & **Norma (Maddux) Gentry Fisher** (1885-1966), both buried in Cookeville City Cemetery, Cookeville, TN. Norma (Maddux) Gentry Fisher, d/o **Silas Foster “Sil” Maddux** (1864-1942) & **Josephine “Josie” Wallace** (1866-1948). Solon Gentry, s/o **Robert Byrd Gentry** (1863-1944) & **Mary Lowe** (1867-1887).

*See Solon Gentry Obt.

*See Norma (Maddux) Fisher Gentry Obt.

George Henry Maddux Obt.

b. 19 October 1887, Putnam Co., TN – d. 7 May 1973, Baxter, Putnam Co., TN, md on the 20th of December 1908, Putnam Co., TN to **Verda (Pedigo) Maddux**, b. 20 November 1891 – d. 24 October 1918, d/o **Isaac Denton Pedigo & Arminta Jane “Mintia” Jared**. George & Verda Maddux both buried in the Maddux - Elrod Cemetery, Baxter, TN - Hwy 70. George Henry Maddux md 2nd **Vola Morphew**, d/o **Leonard Morphew & Bonnie E. Jared**. George Henry Maddux, s/o **Silas Foster “Sil” Maddux & Nancy Josephine Wallace**. **Arminta (Jared) Pedigo** (1869-1891) was buried in the Jared-Huddleston graveyard and then her remains were transferred to be buried in Cookeville City Cemetery.

*See Silas “Sil” Foster Maddux buried in Maddux –Elrod Cemetery.

*See Verda Mae (Pedigo) Maddux Obt.

*See Vola (Morphew) Maddux Obt.

*See Armintia Jane “Mintia” (Jared) Pedigo buried in Cookeville City Cemetery.

(SS Death Index: Name: **GEORGE MADDUX**– Birth: 10 October 1887-Death: April 1973-Last Residence (Baxter, Putnam Co., TN) -Last Benefit: (none specified) – SSN: 415-22-4936, TN)

BAXTER – Funeral services for George Henry Maddux, 85, of Baxter Rt. 1 will be held tomorrow at 2:00 in the chapel of Baxter Funeral Home with Frank Blair officiating. Burial will be in Maddux-Elrod Cemetery.

Mr. Maddux was DOA at Cookeville General Monday following an extensive illness. A native of Putnam County, he was the son of Silas F. and Josephine Wallace Maddux, and a member of the Methodist Church.

He is survived by his wife Mrs. Vola Morphew Maddux of Baxter, Rt. 1; a son, Silas Denton Maddux of Baxter Rt. 2; 2 daughters, Josie Margaret Phillips and Reba Bain of Baxter; 8 grandchildren and 20 great-grandchildren.

Herald-Citizen, Cookeville, TN: Tuesday, 8 May 1973.

Silas “Sil” Foster Maddux Obt.

b. 22 July 1864, Baxter, Putnam Co., TN - d. 15 October 1942, Baxter, Putnam Co., TN, md **Nancy Josephine “Josie” (Wallace) Maddux**, b. 10 October 1866, Putnam Co., TN – d. 30 June 1948, Baxter, Putnam Co., TN, d/o **McDonald Wallace** (1826-1876) & **Juliann “Julia” Ann Henley** (1838-1872). Silas Foster Maddux, s/o **George Henry Maddux** (1824-1866) & **Elizabeth Jared Brown** (1827-1905), both buried in the Young-Bartlett Cemetery, new marker placed for them in Smellage Cemetery, both in Putnam Co., TN.

*See George Henry Maddux buried in Maddux-Elrod Cemetery

*See Nancy Josephine “Josie” (Wallace) Maddux Obt.

Silas Foster Maddux
b. 22 Jul 1864, Putnam Co., TN
d. 15 Oct 1942
Father: George Maddux, Putnam Co., TN
Mother: Elizabeth Brown, Putnam Co., TN
Spouse: Josie Maddux
Elrod Cemetery, Putnam Co., TN
DC#21369, Putnam Co., TN

Funeral Services Held Friday for Silas F. Maddux

Funeral services were held last Friday (*16 October, 1942*) for Silas F. Maddux, 78, at his home in Baxter, the Rev. J. A. and J. D. Harris officiating. Burial was in the family cemetery on the Nashville highway. (*Maddux – Elrod Cemetery*).

Survivors besides his wife are 1 son, George Maddux of Baxter, and 1 daughter, Mrs. Solon Gentry of Cookeville; 11 grandchildren and 13 great grandchildren.

Mr. Maddux was a member of the Methodist Church, a Mason and Modern Woodman. He was engaged in farming prior to his retirement a few years ago.

Putnam County Herald Newspaper, Cookeville, TN: page, 8: 22 October 1942

Nancy Josephine “Josie” (Wallace) Maddux Obt.

b. 10 October 1866, Putnam Co., TN – d. 30 June 1948, Baxter, Putnam Co., TN, md **Silas “Sil” Foster Maddux**, b. 22 July 1864, Baxter, Putnam Co., TN - d. 15 October 1942, Baxter, Putnam Co., TN, s/o **George Henry Maddux & Elizabeth J. Brown**. Nancy Josephine “Josie” (Wallace) Maddux, d/o **McDonald Wallace** (1826-1876) & **Juliann “Julia” Ann Henley** (1838-1872), both buried in the Hugh Wallace Cemetery, Putnam Co., TN.

*See George Henry Maddux buried in Maddux-Elrod Cemetery

*See Silas “Sil” Foster Maddux buried in Maddux –Elrod Cemetery.

Mrs. Nancy Josephine Maddux died yesterday at her home in Baxter. She was 81 years of age. Funeral services will be held this afternoon at 2:30 at the Baxter Methodist Church with the Rev. Dow Ensor officiating, assisted by the Rev. G. C. McIlwain. Burial will be in the Maddux – Elrod Cemetery.

Mrs. Maddux was the widow of Silas Maddux. She is survived by 1 son, George H. Maddux, Baxter; 1 daughter, Mrs. Solon Gentry, Cookeville; 1 brother, Bill Wallace, Silver Point, and 1 sister, Mrs. Lewis Anderson, Silver Point.

Putnam County Herald, Cookeville, TN: Thursday, 24 June 1948

Dora (Stout) Elrod Obt.

b. 1894 – d. 29 July 1979, Penns Grove, NJ, md **Earline G. Elrod** (1891-1970). They had a son named Robert A. Elrod, b. 13 June 1916, TN – d. 29 October 1931, buried in the Maddux-Elrod Cemetery, Putnam Co., TN. Earline G. Elrod, s/o **Lafayette “Fate” Elrod & Matilda Jane King**. Dora (Stout) Elrod, d/o **James B. Stout & Martha Jane Huffine**.

COOKEVILLE – Funeral services for Mrs. Dora Stout Elrod, 84, will be held at the chapel of Hooper and Huddleston Funeral Thursday, August 2, at 2 p.m. with the Rev. Charles McCaskey officiating. **Burial will be in Crestlawn Cemetery.**

Mrs. Elrod, a former resident of Baxter, died July 29, in Penns Grove, NJ. She was a native of Tennessee, the **daughter of the late James B. and Martha Viteto Stout and the widow of the late Earlie G. Elrod.**

Survivors include a daughter, Mrs. Martha Jane Huffine of Wilmington, NC; two sons, James Elrod of Carney Point, NJ and Gordon Elrod of Warren, MI; sister, Mrs. Ruth Huff of Granville, TN; a brother, Austin Stout of Akron, OH; five grandchildren.

Herald Citizen Newspaper, Cookeville, Putnam Co., TN: 1 August 1979.

(1900 census 12th Civil Dist., Putnam Co., TN: Dwl: 43 – **Lafayett Elrod** is head of household, 40 yrs. old, b. April 1860, TN, md 19 yrs. to **Matilda J.**, 36 yrs. old, b. October 1863, TN, 7 children born, 6 children living. Children: Ollie E., 17 yrs. old, b. September 1882; Ira T., 16 yrs. old, b. December 1883; William H., 14 yrs. old, b. September 1885; Benton, 13 yrs. old, b. April 1887; **Early**, 8 yrs. old, b. November 1891 & Minnie Elrod, 2 yrs. old, b. September 1897. All born in TN).

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(1920 census 12th Civil Dist., Little Indian Creek, Putnam Co., TN: Dwl: 32 - **Earlie G. Elrod** is head of household, 28 yrs. old, TN, md to **Dorah L.**, 25 yrs. old, TN. Children: **Robert A. Elrod**, 3+ yrs. old, TN & James L. Elrod, ?/12 yrs. old, TN).

Norma (Maddux) Fisher Gentry Obt.

b. 25 November 1885, Putnam Co., TN – d. 28 February 1966, md **Solon Gentry.**

*See George P. Gentry buried in Maddux-Elrod Cemetery

*See Solon Gentry Obt.

Funeral services for Mrs. Norma Maddux Gentry, 80, will be held Wednesday from the first Methodist Church in Cookeville with the Rev. Phillip Ritter officiating. The house is 2L00.

Mrs. Gentry died at the home of her daughter, Mr. John Pointer on Rt. 3, Monday. She was a native of Putnam County, the **daughter of the late Silas F. and Josephine Wallace Maddux, and was the widow of Solon Gentry.**

In addition to Mrs. Pointer, other survivors include 3 daughters, Mrs. Bruce Tylor, Columbus, OH, Mrs. George Reed, Bainbridge, MD, Mrs. Harry Lea, Lebanon, 4 sons, Tony Gentry, 1000 Oaks, CA, Solon Gentry, Johnson Coty, Glen Gentry, Clarksville, William Gentry, Old Hickory; 1 brother, George Maddux, Baxter; 18 grandchildren, and 7 great grandchildren.

Burial will be in Cookeville City Cemetery.

Hooper & Huddleston Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Citizen, Cookeville: Tuesday, 1 March 1966, pg. 6.

Solon Gentry Obt.

b. 5 December 1886, TN – d. 23 May 1955, md **Norma (Maddux) Fisher Gentry**, b. 25 November 1885, TN – d. 28 February 1966, d/o **Silas Foster “Sil” Maddux** (1864-1942) & **Josephine “Josie” Wallace** (1866-1948). Solon Gentry was the s/o **Robert Byrd Gentry** (1863-1944) & **Mary Lowe** (1867-1887). Robert Byrd Gentry md 1st **Mary Lowe**, md 2nd **Ruth Frances Ensor.**

*See George P. Gentry buried in Maddux-Elrod Cemetery

*See Norma (Maddux) Fisher Gentry Obt.

Funeral services for Solon Gentry, 68, were scheduled to be held at the First Methodist Church this afternoon. The Rev. Bruce Strother was to officiate and **burial is to be at Cookeville City Cemetery.**

Mr. Gentry died unexpectedly of a heart attack at his home Monday morning.

He retired in 1952 as Ticket Agent for Trailways bus line, a position he held for 12 years, he was with the Post Office 20 years, part of which he was Assistant Postmaster.

A native of Putnam County, **son of Robert Byrd and Mary Lowe Gentry**, he was a member of the Methodist Church. Whitson Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Survivors include his **wife, Mrs. Norma Maddux Gentry**; 4 sons, James Solon Gentry, Johnson City, Hop Gentry, 1000 Oaks, CA, Glenn Gentry, Clarksville, and W. M. Gentry, Old Hickory; 4 daughters, Mrs. John Pointer, Cookeville, Mrs. E. B. Taylor, Canadaiqua, NY, Mrs. George E. Reed, Norfolk, VA, and Mrs. Harry Lea, Jr., Lebanon, TN; 6 brothers, Dow and Paschel Gentry, both of Dallas, TX, Eugene and Hubert Gentry, Houston, TX, Howard Gentry, Little Rock AR., and R. B. Gentry, Corpus Christi, TX; 2 sisters, Mrs. Clay Venable, Lawton, OK, and Mrs. John Stuart, Dallas, TX.

Citizen, Cookeville: Wednesday, 25 May 1955.

(Solon Gentry & Norma (Maddux) Fisher had eleven children: Harry W. Gentry, b. 6 Nov. 1909 – d. 4 Aug. 1938; Norma Mildred Gentry, b. 23 Aug. 1911, Hereford, TX md John Smith Pointer; **George P. Gentry**, b. 1 Mar. 1913 – d. 24 Apr. 1913; Mary Elizabeth Gentry, b. 11 Feb. 1914 md E. Bruce Taylor; James Solon Gentry, b. 3 Jan. 1916 – d. 1979 md Anne Bryant; Glenn Staley Gentry, b. 26 Dec. 1917 md Janie Swift; Josephine Gentry, b. 10 Jun. 1920- d. 5 Mar. 1921; Virginia Frances Gentry, b. 14 Jun. 1922 md George Edward Reed; Len K. Gentry, b. 28 Feb. 1923- d. 13 Jul. 1923 ; Pauline Gentry, b. 8 Feb. 1924 md Harry Lea Jr. & William Mack Gentry, b. 5 Apr. 1925 md Ethel Frances Allen).

Note: Solon & Norma Maddux Fisher Gentry are buried next to their granddaughter **Patricia Lowe Pointer** (1934-1950).

Census Place: 1880 District 16, Putnam Co, TN

Source: FHL Film 1255275 National Archives Film T9-1275 Page 111D

	Relation	Sex	Marr	Race	Age	Birthplace
Silas W. GENTRY	Self	M	M	W	70	TN
Occ:	Farmer	Fa: TN	Mo: VA			
Jane GENTRY	Wife	F	M	W	71	NC
Occ:	Keeping House	Fa: NC	Mo: NC			
Byrd GENTRY	Gson	M	S	W	16	KY
Occ:	Work On Farm	Fa: TN	Mo: TN			
Margaret CONWAYGDau		F	S	W	18	TN
	Fa: TN	Mo: TN				

(1900 census 11th Civil Dist., Putnam Co., TN: Dwl: 120 – **Robert B. Gentry** is head of household, 39 yrs. old, b. September 1863, KY, Occupation: Merchant md 13 yrs. to **Ruth F.**, 27 yrs. old, b. April 1876, TN, 5 children born, 5 children living. Children: **Salon**, 13 yrs. old, b. December 1886; Vinnie, 11 yrs. old, b. October 1888; Ora, 9 yrs. old, b. March 1891; Wm. D., 6 yrs. old, b. February 1894; Paschal M., 3 yrs. old, b. August 1896 & Eugin Gentry, 11/12 yrs. old, b. June 1899. All born in TN. Also living in the household: Silas D. Randolph, boarder, 23 yrs. old, b. September 1876, TN, Occupation: Clerk and Ova Grogan, boarder, 18 yrs. old, b. October 1881, TN, Occupation: Servant).

(1910 census 1st Civil Dist., Cookeville Town, Putnam Co., TN: Dwl: 257 – **Solon Gentry** is head of household, 23 yrs. old, TN, Occupation: Clerk post office, md 1 yr. to **Norma**, 24 yrs. old, TN, M2, 2 children born, 2 children living. Children: Hop, step-son, 3 yrs. old, TN & Harry Gentry, 6/12 yrs. old, TN).

(1920 census 1st Civil Dist., Cookeville Town, Maple St., Putnam Co., TN: Dwl: 276 – **Solon Gentry** is head of household, TN (father born in KY, mother, TN), Occupation: Bookkeeper, md to **Norma**, 34 yrs.

old, TN. Children: Hop, 12 yrs. old; Harry, 10 yrs. old; Mildred, 8 yrs. old; Mary E., 6 yrs. old; James S. 3
11/12 yrs. old & Glenn S. Gentry, 2 0/12 yrs. old. All born in TN).

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