

THOMAS HOLLADAY (#731)

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Pg. 269: Thomas Holladay, son of John Holladay and Elizabeth, who bought land in Bedford County, VA in 1798, was born in 1793-94 in Bedford County and died June 26, 1877. He married 1st Martha Frances Whitehorn on Jan 7, 1815 in Bedford County. Martha died in Jackson County, TN 1840-45. Their children, all born in VA, were: Elizabeth “Besty”, born March 1, 1816 and died January 12, 1876 in TN, Martha, born 1819, John, born June 12, 1821, Stephen, born 1825, d. 1930, William, born 1825, d. 1830, Caroline, born 1825, died 1930, Joseph ‘Jap’, born January 2, 1835.

Elizabeth, the first daughter of Thomas and Martha, married William Harvey Hubbard. Martha, their second daughter, married John C. Boyd, and moved to Van Buren Co., AR. John and Martha both died of typhoid fever in 1861, along with six of their children. A brother of each of the parents went to AR and returned with three children; one died on the way back to Tennessee. John Holladay, the third child of Thomas and Martha, died May 9, 1902. He married Emiline Ensor on October 15, 1846; she was the daughter Jonathan Lasley and Ruth Jared Ensor.

Emiline was born November 24, 1821 and died September 20, 1882. John died May 9, 1902. Their children were: Marian and William Alexander Holladay. Mariah Holladay was born September 9, 1847 and died April 1, 1917. She married Taylor Burton; they divorced and had no children. William Alexander Holladay was born December 20, 1850 and died November 15, 1939. He married Martha Jane Price Jared on January 13, 1876. She was the daughter of Moses Alexander and Marinda Jane Price Jared. Martha Jane was born July 10, 1856 and died December 8, 1911.

They were the parents of two children: Oscar King Holladay was born November 6, 1876 and died May 10, 1941. He married Maggie Denny on September 17, 1902. Oscar was a prominent lawyer and judge in Cookeville. He and Maggie had three children: Mabel Jane, born December 24, 1903 and died December 24, 1963. She married Hubert H. Jimmie Clark. And had one daughter, Nancy Jane Clark. Nancy was born June 27, 1929. Nancy married Robert Q. “Chick” Childress; John Denny Holladay, born January 7, 1906 and died August 4, 1969, was a prominent lawyer and judge in Cookeville. He married Lucille Cameron and had no children. Nan Ford Holladay was the third child of Oscar and Maggie Holladay. She was born September 4, 1907 and died December 17, 1980. Nan married Charles N. Sharpe on June 22, 1940. They were the parents of two children: Nancy Holladay Sharpe, married Allen D. Woods and Martha Jane “Janie” Sharpe married Charles Bassett. Bessie Lee, born September 2, 1889 and died October 10, 1948, married Felix Lee Stanton. Caroline Holladay, the fifth child of Thomas and Martha, married a Pate. Joseph “Jap” Holladay, the sixth child of Thomas and Martha married Mary Elizabeth Elrod on December 20, 1855. Mary, the daughter of James and Anna Baker Elrod was born January 22, 1838 and died December 20, 1904.

Thomas Holladay married 2nd Agnes Jared, was the daughter of Joseph Jared (Revolutionary Soldier) and Elizabeth “Besty” Baker Jared. Their children were: Frances “Fannie” Holladay, Thomas Calvin “Callie” Holladay, and Rev. James Allison “Effie” Holladay. Frances was born September 20, 1845 and died August 7, 1922. She married Moses Eskew Jared on January 3, 1867; he was the son of Samuel Raulston Jared and Mary Susan Scruggs Jared. Thomas Calvin was born October 10, 1848 and died March 15, 1930. He married Martha Tennessee Nichols on January 21, 1875; she was the daughter of David Henry Douglas Nichols and Betsy Jared Nichols. Rev. James Allison Holladay was born October 28, 1850 and died October 21, 1934. He married Melinda Tennessee Jared on January 20, 1876.

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