

RUFUS WILLIAM ALLEN JR. OBT.

b. 6 October 1863, TN – d. 10 November 1941

Parents: **Rufus Wiley Allen** (1828-1917) & **Sarah M. “Sallie” Loftis** (1825-1875).

Wife: **Lee Ann (Morgan) Allen**, md 24 February 1884, Jackson Co., TN

Parents: **Rev. Austin Hawkins Morgan** (1813-1896) & **Amanda Elizabeth Maxwell** (1826-1907)

b. 15 June 1865, TN - d. 22 March 1952

Buried: Rosedale Cemetery, Ada, OK

Putnam County Herald: 13 November 1941

(Source: Tennessee State Marriage record, Jackson Co., TN: pg. 339: Rufus Allen Jr. married 24 February 1884, Jackson Co., TN to Lee Ann Morgan).

R. W. Allen Died In Ada, Oklahoma on Monday:

Funeral services were held at the First Christian Church in Ada, OK, for R. W. Allen, 78, **former Putnam Countian, and flour mill operator**, who died at his home Monday, November 10, after an illness of about a year.

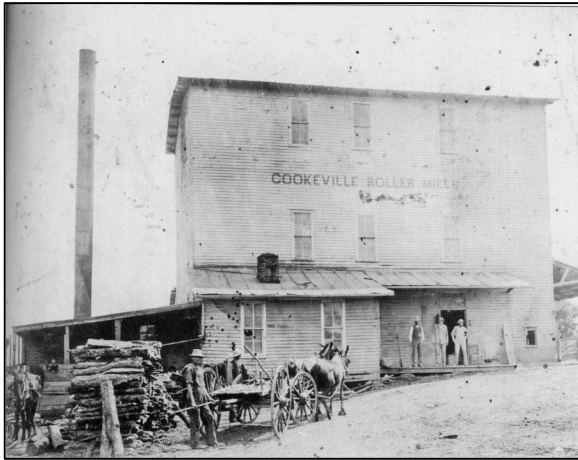
He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Lee Ann Morgan Allen and five children, Mrs. J. H. Shaw, Edgar Dewey, and Harold Allen of Ada; and Mrs. Stanley Dean of Cleburn, TX; one brother, Monroe Allen of Algood, TN, and a half-brother of Ada, OK.

Mr. Allen was the builder of the Cookeville Roller Mills, which he operated until he left for Oklahoma in 1901.

He married Miss Lee Ann Morgan here in Cookeville fifty-seven years ago. She is a daughter of the late Austin Morgan.

Mr. Allen was a prominent churchman and active in the business and civic affairs of his adopted city.

(Source: Putnam County, Tennessee, 1850-1970 by May Jean DeLozier, pg. 118- Gristmilling continued to



be an important industry, although, particularly in the towns, steam power replaced water power in large mills and the concerns began to produce not primarily corn meal as in earlier days, but also sizeable quantities of wheat flour. **Established in 1893 and operated at first by R. W. Allen, Jr.** and later by Pleasant C. Farley, Cookeville Roller Mills was one of the largest in the county. By 1900 the proprietors had equipped it with an eighty-horsepower steam engine, large rollers, and new sifters and purifiers. In 1914 it was producing one hundred barrels a day of “Cookeville’s Best,” “Allen’s Best,” and “Lily of Cookeville” flour. In 1917 Hugh S. Hargis, Walter L. Whitson, and Jere Whitson bought into the firm. By 1898 J. B. Ferguson and J. C. Smith operated a three-story

mill in Algood which produced seventy-six to one hundred barrels daily of “Imperial,” “Cream of Wheat,” and “Mountain Dew” flour. Throughout the county smaller mills continued to serve the needs of farmers nearby.¹⁰

(Source: Images of Cookeville and Putnam County by Friends of the Cookeville History Museum, pg. 39: **pictured above:** Cookeville Roller Mill, owned and operated by James Barnes and Ples Farley (pictured), was used for making wheat flour and corn meal. The wood-fired, steam powered roller mill was located on Mill Street across from the Cookeville Planing Mills. It was destroyed by fire in 1928. the photograph was taken in 1920).

(1870 census 9th Civil Dist., Jackson Co., TN: Dwl: 89 – **R. W. Allen** is head of household, 41 yrs. old, TN, Occupation: Machinist. md to **Sarah**, 48 yrs. old, TN. Children: George, 18 yrs. old; Sarah, 14 yrs. old; Manda, 12 yrs. old; **Rufus**, 6 yrs. old; Luverna, 3 yrs. old; **Munda M.**, 2 yrs. old & Margert M. Allen 21 yrs. old. All born in TN).

(1870 census 9th Civil Dist., Jackson Co., TN: Dwl: 146 - **A. H. Morgan** is head of household, 57 yrs. old, TN, md to **Amanda**, 43 yrs. old, TN. Children: Joseph W., 19 yrs. old; Amos C., 16 yrs. old; Granville D., 14 yrs. old; Martha A., 12 yrs. old; John D., 10 yrs. old; Matilda F., 7 yrs. old; **Leaan**, 5 yrs. old; **Perry R. P.**, 3 yrs. old & Michale Morgan, 45 yrs. old. All born in TN).

Census Place: 1880 District 9, Jackson, TN

Source: FHL Film 1255264 National Archives Film T9-1264 Page 207C

Dwl: 174

	Relation	Sex	Marr	Race	Age	Birthplace
Austin H. MORGAN	Self	M	M	W	66	TN
	Occ: Minister	Fa: NC	Mo: NC			
Amanda MORGAN	Wife	F	M	W	53	TN
	Occ: Keeping House	Fa: VA	Mo: VA			
Dillard MORGAN	Son	M	S	W	19	TN
	Occ: Works On Farm	Fa: TN	Mo: TN			
Leann MORGAN	Dau	F	S	W	14	TN
	Occ: At Home	Fa: TN	Mo: TN			
Robert P. MORGAN	Son	M	S	W	13	TN
	Occ: Works On Farm	Fa: TN	Mo: TN			
Lenora V. STONE	Niece	F	S	W	19	TN
	Occ: At Home	Fa: TN	Mo: TN			

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	Relation	Sex	Marr	Race	Age	Birthplace
Rufus W. ALLEN	Self	M	M	W	50	TN
	Occ: Farmer	Fa: SC	Mo: SC			
Sallie E. ALLEN	Wife	F	M	W	33	TN
	Occ: Keeping House	Fa: KY	Mo: TN			
Wiley R. ALLEN	Son	M	S	W	16	TN
	Occ: Works On Farm	Fa: TN	Mo: TN			
Lou Verna ALLEN	Dau	F	S	W	14	TN
	Occ: At Home	Fa: TN	Mo: TN			
Mondy M. ALLEN	Son	M	S	W	11	TN
	Occ: Works On Farm	Fa: TN	Mo: TN			
Erasmus D. ALLEN	Son	M	S	W	1	TN
	Fa: TN	Mo: TN				

(1900 census 15th Civil Dist., Jackson Co., TN: Dwl: 68 – **Rufus Allen** is head of household, 71 yrs. old, b. September 1828, TN, md 53 yrs. to **Sarah**, 54 yrs. old, b. December 1845, TN. Children: Rousie, 21 yrs. old, b. February 1879; Susan, 17 yrs. old, b. August 1882; Dallas, 16 yrs. old, b. February 1884 & Lizzie Allen, daughter-in-law, 24 yrs. old, b. November 1875. All born in TN).

(1900 census 1st Civil Dist., Putnam Co., TN: Dwl: 340 - **Rufus Allen** is head of household, 36 yrs. old, b. October 1863, Occupation: Miller, md 16 yrs. to **Lee Ann**, 35 yrs. old, b. June 1865, TN, 5 children born, 4 children living. Children: Clio, 15 yrs. old, b. April 1885; Lola, 10 yrs. old, b. January 1890; Edgar, 7 yrs. old, b. March 1892 & Dewey Allen, 1 yr. old, b. September 1898. All born in TN).

(1910 census 1-WD, Pontotoc Co., Ada, OK: Dwl: 35 – **Rufus W. Allen** is head of household, 46 yrs. old, TN, Occupation: Manufacturer, Flour Mill, md 26 yrs. to **Lee A.**, 44 yrs. old, TN, 6 children born, 5

children living. Children: Edgar, 18 yrs. old; Dewey, 12 yrs. old & Harold Allen, 4 yrs. old. All born in TN).

(1920 census 1-WD, Pontotoc Co., Ada, OK: Dwl: 215 – **Rufus W. Allen** is head of household, 56 yrs. old, TN, Occupation: Farmer General Farm, md to **Leeann**, 54 yrs. old, TN. Children: Edgar, 27 yrs. old, single, Occupation: Bookkeeper at the Bank; Harold, 14 yrs. old, single & Dewey Allen, 22 yrs. old, married, Occupation: Brakeman at the Railroad).

(1900 census 9th Civil Dist., Putnam Co., TN: Dwl: 121 - **Monroe Allen** is head of household, 27 yrs. old, TN, b., December 1872, TN, Occupation: Farmer, md 7 yrs. to **Etta**, 22 yrs. old, b. May 1878, TN, 3 children born, 3 children living. Children: Lester, 5 yrs. old, b. July 1894; Loney, 2 yrs. old, b. June 1897 & Emer Allen, 1 yr. old, b. August 1898. All born in TN).

(1920 census 19th Civil Dist., Virginia Street, Putnam Co., TN: Dwl: 199 – **Monroe M. Allen** is head of household, 54 yrs. old, TN, Occupation: Miller Flour Mill, md to **Etta H.**, 44 yrs. old, TN. Children: Lester C., 26 yrs. old, Occupation: Miller Flour Mill; Lizzie A., 23 yrs. old; Elmer (sp), 19 yrs. old, Occupation : Miller Flour Mill: Duluth, 17 yrs. old, Occupation: Driver Flour; Ruby Mae, 11 yrs. old; Carmen, 6 yrs. old & a grandson, 1+ yrs. old. All born in TN).

Munday Monroe Allen

b. 29 December 1868, Jackson Co., TN – d. 14 March 1954, Sparta, White Co., TN, md on the 21st of July 1892, Jackson Co., TN to **Henrietta “Etta” (Johnson) Allen**, b. 30 March 1878, Jackson Co., TN – d. 19 May 1965, Algood, TN, d/o **Samuel Lee Johnson & Helen Bell Putty**. Munday Monroe Allen, s/o **Rufus Wiley Allen** (1828-1917) & **Sarah M. “Sallie” Loftis** (1825-1875). Children: Lester C. Allen; Lonnie Bryan Allen; Elmer Ottis Allen; Samuel Duluth Allen; Ruby Mai Allen; Carmen Etta Allen; Catherine Marie Allen. Buried in Cookeville City Cemetery, Putnam Co., TN.

*See Rufus William Allen Obt.

(**Source:** Tennessee State Marriage record, Jackson Co., TN, pg. 169: Monroe Allen married 21 July 1892, Jackson Co., TN to Ettie Johnson).

(**Source:** Tennessee, Deaths and Burials Index, 1874-1955: Monday Monroe Allen, b. abt. 1869 d. 14 March 1954, Sparta, White Co., TN, s/o Rufus Allen & Sallie Loftis).

Source: MORGAN, AMANDA: Mrs. Amanda Morgan died at her home in Jackson county on Saturday night March 16, 1907, in her eighty-first year, and was buried in the Overton graveyard on Monday. Mrs. Morgan was widely know and held in the highest esteem throughout this section of the state. She was a member of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church for 65 years, and was universally loved for her true christian character. Truly a good woman has gone to her reward. Her husband, Rev. Austin H. Morgan, who died about nine years ago was a noted minister of the gospel, having preached for fifty-five years -- privilege given but few men. Mrs. Morgan was the mother of Mesers. R. P., J. D. and A. C. Morgan of this city and Mrs. R. W. Allen of Ada, I. T. The Herald extends sympathy in their irreparable loss. [Date 3/20/1907, Vol. V, No. 3, Page 4]

Robert Perry “R. P.” Morgan Obt.

b. 15 January 1867, Jackson Co., TN – d. 13 September 1933, Putnam Co., TN, md on the 15th of January 1892, Putnam Co., TN to **Flora Viola (Davis) Morgan**, b. 17 June 1873, Putnam Co., TN – d. 27 January 1938, , Putnam Co., TN, d/o **Capt. Henry Polk Davis & Lydia Solomon**. Robert Perry Morgan, s/o **Austin Hawkins Morgan** (1813-1896) & **Amanda Elizabeth Maxwell** (1826-1907), both buried in Overton Cemetery, Jackson Co., TN. Buried in Cookeville City Cemetery, Putnam Co., TN.

*See Rufus William Allen Obt.

Robert Perry Morgan

b. 15 Jan 1867, Mingo, TN

d. 13 Sep 1933

Father: Austin Morgan
Mother: Lidia Solomon
Cookeville City Cemetery Putnam Co., TN
DC #19255, Putnam Co., TN

(**Source:** Tennessee State Marriage record, Putnam Co., TN: R, P, Morgan married 15 January 1892, Putnam Co., TN to Viola Davis).

R. P. Morgan, 66, Dies Here After A Brief Illness

Prominent Poultry Broker Had Been Ill Only Few Hours With Pneumonia – In Business 43 Years.

R. P. Morgan, 66, prominent throughout the South and East as a poultry broker and produce dealer, with office in Cookeville for the past 43 years, died at his home, 105 First Street, shortly after noon Wednesday after a brief illness.

Mr. Morgan was taken ill Monday, and Tuesday developed pneumonia, which resulted in his death.

Funeral services were to be held at the Cumberland Presbyterian Church Thursday afternoon by the pastor, the Rev. Hugh L. Goodpasture. Burial will take place in the City Cemetery.

Active pallbearers are O. E. Cameron, W. M. Shanks, Herman Mott, Paul Turney, Will Phillips, and George Gentry. Honorary pallbearers are all his friends and business associates both in and out of town.

Born In Jackson:

Robert Perry Morgan was born in Jackson county, near Merinda, and received his education there. He was the son of the Rev. and Mrs. Austin H. Morgan, his father being a Cumberland Presbyterian church pastor.

Mr. Morgan came to Cookeville in 1890, where he opened a produce house in West Cookeville, on what is now Oak Street. His business has been conducted in the same building for 43 years, the only one in the city that can boast such a distinction. Prior to his venture into the poultry business, Mr. Morgan operated a market wagon between Gainesboro, Cookeville, and Nashville.

He was married to Miss Viola Davis, January 14, 1892, and to that union was born one son, Henry Dawson, who survives. Other survivors are his widow, three brothers, Warren and Dillard Morgan, of Cookeville, Amos Morgan, of Cowan; **three sisters, Mrs. Martha Goodpasture, and Mrs. Lee Ann Allen, of Ada, Okla., and Mrs. Matilda Whittaker of Gainesboro.**

Came Before Railroad:

Mr. Morgan came to Cookeville before the railroad, and did much to advance this city and surrounding territory to its present status. He has contributed largely to placing Cookeville as the largest poultry shipping center in the state, and one of the largest in the South. He was active in his business, and was recognized as an authority. He was not a man who sought the acclaim of the crowd, rather keeping himself in the background and to his business. He had admirable traits of character that had endeared him to all who knew him.

Friends from all parts of the nation have expressed their regrets at his passing, while those who could, have come to be at his last rites.

Mr. Morgan was a member of the Knights of Pythias, and had membership in the Southern Poultry and Egg Shippers' Association.

Herald Newspaper, Cookeville, TN: Thursday, 14 September 1933

Source: A History of Putnam County Tennessee by Walter S. McClain, pg. 146: Robert Perry Morgan, born in Jackson County, January 15, 1867. Married Miss Viola Davis, January 15, 1892. Mr. Morgan is a Democrat, a K. of P., and a Cumberland Presbyterian in belief. He has never held public office, except alderman of Cookeville about twenty years ago. He moved here about thirty-five years ago and has been actively engaged in the produce business, retail and wholesale. His is the oldest business concern in Cookeville.

*See more history of Putnam Co., TN & Cookeville City Cemetery at: <http://www.ajlambert.com>