



Luke Alexander Denny's First School

Luke Denny's schoolmates at the Rock Spring School are pictured above, circa 1924. The Rock Spring School is located in the southwestern corner of Putnam County, Tennessee. Kneeling right to left Mabel Maxwell, Mary Lou Denny, Alice Whitehead, Joe Whitehead, Luke Alexander Denny, Wheeler B. Johnson, Ralph Maxwell, Will K. Denny, Nobel Harris and John Henry Denny. Middle row: Eva Lynch, Edith Amonette, Howard Harris, Martha Oval Lynch, Floy Lynch, Jewell Harris, Ola Mai Whitehead, teacher Mrs. Sadie Amonette. Back row: Geraldine Whitehead, (?) Kelley, Margie Lynch, Mildred Amonette, Hazel Harris, Robert McKinley, Leon "Dick" Lynch, Noel Maxwell, and Joe Milton Denny.

Martha Oval, Eva, Floy, Margie & Leon "Dick" Lynch are the children of Abe Lynch (b. 1877 – d. 1961) buried in Crestlawn Cemetery, Putnam Co., TN & Martha Jane Wilderson, buried in Dixon Springs Cemetery, north of Carthage, TN. She was relocated from the Lynch Cemetery originally located in Sullivans Bend near Chestnut Mound, TN. The area where the Lynch Cemetery was located was flooded when the Cordell Hull Dam and reservoir were completed. The entire cemetery was relocated to Dixon Springs by the Corps of Engineers. The Corps of Engineers published a book about the relocation of all the cemeteries around Carthage to Dixon Springs. Dixon Springs is in Smith Co., TN. Martha Jane Wilkerson Lynch died soon after Martha Oval Lynch was born. Martha Oval Lynch (b. 1917 – d. 11 January 2001, Hendersonville, TN). She md James Cecil Pritchett from Lone Oak, Cunningham, TN. James was an electrician for DuPont in Old Hickory, TN. Sallie Lynch md Clarence Russell from Buffalo Valley, TN. *Info. from: Jerry Pritchett (s/o James & Martha Lynch)– 3625 Chunn Valley Dr., Spring Hill, TN 37174 who would appreciate any info. on the Lynch and Russell families.

*Need identification of the four children standing left of the teacher.