

John Potter Winchester Courtesy of Audrey DeCamp Hoffman

## JOHN POTTER WINCHESTER

**John Potter Winchester**, b. 29 December 1849, TN – d. 16 September 1903, TN md May 1871 to **Licitia "Ligiti" Johnson Evans**, b. 24 March 1839- d. 30 December 1915, both buried in the Evans – Winchester Cemetery, Putnam Co., TN.

...William Levi Winchester (1872 – 1878)

- ...Anthony N. Winchester (1874 1967) md May 1895 Rilda Haseltine Burch, d/o Barnett "Barney" Burch (1839 1921), s/o Christopher Burch, NC & Piety Cash, VA & Martha Elizabeth Jones (1840 1925), d/o Arrias "Aries" & Susan Jones.
  - ...William Valentine Winchester (1897 1945) md May 1925 Alice Harriet Garbers (1894 1934) ...Warren William Winchester (1931) md July 1956 Clara Marie Hand (1936)
    - ...Virginia Alice Winchester (1899 1995) md January 1917 Earl Edward Schlarb (1892 1971) ...William Earl Schlarb (1919 – 2002)
    - ...Grace Nell Winchester (1901 1975) md June 1929 Alpheus William Thomas (1904 1978) ...Stanley Ray Thomas (1931)
    - ...James "Jack" Toi Winchester (1905 1951) (never married, Toi was badly burned in a fire while working at the Standard Oil refinery. He Died in 1951, at age 45, of complications from the burns).
    - ...Martha Elizabeth "Tookie" Winchester (1912 1999) md July 1935 John Dixon McLaren (1912 1982)
      - ... David John McLaren (1939)
      - ...James Earl McLaren (1944)
- ...Virginia Alice "Virgie" Winchester (1876 1895) md 21 December 1893, Buffalo Valley, TN Daniel Mangium "Mang" Draper (1869 - 1938). He md 2<sup>nd</sup> 15 October 1896, Buffalo Valley, TN Mary Frances Bates & md 3<sup>rd</sup> 5 November 1913, Leeville, TN, Mattie Eliza McDole.

...Winnie Myrtle Draper (1894-1981) md Thomas Isaac Holland (1882-1953))

- ...George Winchester Holland (1925, Wilson Co., TN)
- ...Mildred Kathryn Holland (1928, Martha, TN)
- ...Rufus Toi Winchester (1878 1959) md 16 May 1900, Smith Co., TN to Donna "Dona" Fletcher (1880 1970)
  - ...Johnnie Mae Winchester (1903 1959) md Hulon H. Jackson (1898-1967).
  - ...James Anthony Winchester (1905 1931)
  - ...Luke Fletcher Winchester (1909 1930)
  - ...Georgia Evans Winchester (1911 2013) md William Ezra Sanders 1910-1992)
  - ...Frank Denney Winchester (1914 1945) md Edith Maddux Amonette (1918-1995). Edith later md James Carney
  - ...Virginia Louise Winchester (1915 1991) md Edward John Gilbert (1910-1969)
  - ...Ralph Denton Winchester (1917 2005) md Nellie Miller (1916-2008)
  - ... Margaret Proctor Winchester (1918 ) md Mr. Meyer
  - ...Janie Ruth Winchester, b. 20 June 1922 d. 18 March 1924, buried in the Evans Winchester Cemetery, Putnam Co., TN.

## 1870 census 9th Civil Dist., Putnam Co., TN

Burch, Barnett 29 M W (value of personal estate, 500) Blacksmith GA (Barnett "Barney" Burch, s/o Christopher Burch, NC & Piety Cash, VA)
Burch, Martha 27 F W Keeps House GA (Martha Elizabeth (Jones) Burch, d/o Arrias "Aries" & Susan Jones) Burch, John L. 7 M W TN (John L. Burch, b. 13 November 1864, TN – d. 31 December 1878) Burch, Catherine E. 3 F W TN (Catherine "Kate" Elizabeth Burch md Jesse Pullum & J. M. Lovelady) Burch, Susan A. 2 F W TN

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

Dwl: 82 Family: 89 Source: FHL Film 1255275 National Archives Film T9-1275



Martha Elizabeth (Jones) Burch, d/o Arrias "Aries" & Susan Jones. She married Barnett "Barney" Burch, May 1861.



Anthony N. Winchester Courtesy of David McLaren

Page 165A Relation Sex Marr Race Age Birthplace DC Certificate Number: 25963. Barney BIRDCHSelf Μ Μ W 40 GA Putnam Co., TN Occ: Blacksmith Fa: VA Mo: VA Deceased Name: Kate Elizabeth Lovelady (Barnett "Barney" Burch, s/o Christopher Burch, NC & Piety Cash, VA) Date of Birth: 25 Dec 1865 Martha BIRDCHWife F Μ W 38 SC Place of Birth: Putnam County Tailor Fa: SC Mo: SC Occ: Date of Death: 25 Nov 1940 (Martha Elizabeth Jones, d/o Arrias "Aries" & Susan Jones) Father: Barney Burch Betty BIRDCH Dau F S W 14 TN Place of Birth: NC Fa: GA Mo: SC Occ: At Home Mother: Martha Jones (Catherine "Kate" Elizabeth "Bettie" Burch md 1<sup>st</sup> Jesse Pullum – Place of Birth: GA  $md 2^{nd} J. M. Lovelady$ Spouse: J. M. Lovelady Susa BIRDCH Dau F S W 12 TN Cemetery: Maddux Cemetery Occ: At Home Fa: GA Mo: SC (Susan A. Burch (1868-1938) md Washington/William Perry Null) Nettie BIRDCH Dau F S W 9 TN Fa: GA Mo: SC Alice BIRDCH Dau F S W 6 TN Fa: GA Mo: SC Rilda BIRDCH Dau F S W 4 TN Fa: GA Mo: SC (Rilda Haseltine Burch md Anthony N. Winchester, s/o John Potter Winchester & Licitia Johnson Evans) James BIRDCH Son S Μ W 2 TN Fa: GA Mo: SC William BIRDCHSon Μ S W 3M TN Fa: GA Mo: SC (William "Willie" Burch, b. 20 March 1881, TN - d. 19 February 1882) Ervin CANTRELNephew M S W 21 TN Fa: SC Mo: SC Census Place: 1880 District 11, Putnam Co., Tennessee Dwl: 82 Family: 89 Source: FHL Film 1255275 National Archives Film T9-1275 Page 167A Relation Sex Marr Race Age Birthplace John P. WINCHESTER Self М Μ W 28 TN Farmer Fa: NC Mo: NC Occ: (John Potter Winchester md Licitia Johnson Evans) W Liciddy WINCHESTER Wife F 40 TN Μ Occ: Keeping House Fa: MD Mo: VA (Licitia Johnson Evans) Antny WINCHESTER S W 5 TN Son Μ Fa: TN Mo: TN (Anthony Winchester md Rilda Haseltine Burch, d/o Barnett "Barney" Burch & Martha Elizabeth Jones) Orrgy WINCHESTER Dau F W 4 TN S Fa: TN Mo: TN (Virginia Alice Winchester md Daniel Mangium "Mang" Draper) Tay WINCHESTER TN Son Μ S W 1 Fa: TN Mo: TN (Rufus Toi Winchester md Donna Fletcher) 1900 census 9th Civil Dist., Putnam Co., TN

Dwl: 171 Family: 171
Burch, Barnett Head 59 M W August 1840 Married (38 yrs. md) Farmer GA SC SC
Burch, Martha E. Wife 57 F W b. August 1842 Married (38 yrs. md) (12 children born, 10 children living) SC SC SC
Burch, Alice Dau 25 F W October 1874 Single TN GA SC

Burch, James T. Son 22 M W February 1878 Single Farm Laborer TN GA SC
Burch, Charley Son 18 M W December 1881 Single Farm Laborer TN GA SC
Burch, Cleveland Son 13 M W December 1886 Single Farm Laborer TN GA SC
(Grover Cleveland "Cleve" Burch md Georgia Kerr Boyd, d/o George Washington Boyd & Naomi Tennessee "Tennie" Kerr/Carr)
Burch, Dora Dau 12 F W February 1888 Single Farm Laborer TN GA SC
Burch, Callie Dau 10 F W January 1890 TN TN TN

## 1900 census 11<sup>th</sup> Civil Dist., Putnam Co., TN

Dwl: 90 Family: 90
Winchester, John P. Head 50 M W b. December 1849 Married (29 yrs. md) Farmer TN NC NC
Winchester, Licity Wife 61 F W b. March 1839 Married (29 yrs. md) (4 children born, 2 children living) TN MD VA
Winchester, Rufus T. Son 21 M W December 1878 Married 1/12 Farm Laborer TN TN TN (*Rufus Toi Winchester md Donna Fletcher*)
Winchester, Winnie M. Granddaughter 5 F W October 1894 Single TN TN TN

## 1900 census 11<sup>th</sup> Civil Dist., Putnam Co., TN

Dwl: 91 Family: 91
Winchester, Anthony Head 25 M W b. December 1874 Married (4 yrs. md) Farmer TN TN TN
Winchester, Pella A. Wife 23 F W b. December 1876 Married (4 yrs. md)

(2 children born, 2 children living) TN TN TN
Winchester, William V. Son 3 M W b. April 1897 Single TN TN TN
(William Valentine Winchester md Alice Harriet Garbers)
Winchester, Vergie Dau. 1 F W b. May 1899 Single TN TN TN
(Virginia "Virgie" Winchester md Earl Edward Schlarb)
Winchester, Maggie Sister-in-Law 19 F W August 1880 Married (0 yrs. md) Farm Laborer TN TN TN

## 1910 census 9th Civil Dist., Putnam Co., TN

Dwl: 14 Family: 16
Burch, B. Head 76 M W M1 (49 yrs. md) Farmer General Farm GA SC SC
Burch, Martha E. Wife 68 F W M1 (49 yrs. md) SC SC SC
Burch, Charlie Son 28 M W Single Bookkeeper On Boat TN GA SC
Burch, Grover C. Son 25 M W Single Farm Laborer Home Farm TN GA SC
(Grover Cleveland "Cleve" Burch md Georgia Kerr Boyd, d/o George Washington Boyd & Naomi Tennessee "Tennie" Kerr/Carr)
Burch, Dora L. Dau 23 F W Single TN GA SC
Burch, Velma C. Dau 20 F W Single TN GA SC

## 1910 census 11th Civil Dist., Putnam Co., TN

Dwl: 150 Family: 150
Winchester, Ruffus T. Head 31 M W Married (10 yrs. md) Farmer General Farm TN TN TN (*Rufus Toi Winchester md Donna Fletcher*)
Winchester, Maggie Wife 29 F W Married (10 yrs. md) (3 children born, 3 children living) TN TN TN Winchester, Johnie M. Dau 6 F W Student Single TN TN TN
Winchester, James A. Son 4 M W Single TN TN TN
Winchester, Luke F. Son 1 8/12 M W Single TN TN TN
Winchester, Licity T. Mother 71 F W Widow TN TN TN (*Licitia Johnson (Evans) Winchester md John Potter Winchester*)
Winchester, Winie M. Niece 15 F W Student Single TN TN TN

### 1910 census Wilmington Twp., Precinct 226, Los Angeles, CA

Dwl: 50 Family: 50 Winchester, Anthony Head 35 M W M1 (14 yrs. md) Carpenter House TN NC NC Winchester, Rilda Wife 34 M1 F W (14 yrs. md) (4 children born, 4 children living) TN TN TN Winchester, Willie Son13 M W Single TN NC GA (William Valentine Winchester md Alice Harriet Garbers) Winchester, Virgie Dau 11 F W Single TN TN TN (Virginia "Virgie" Winchester md Earl Edward Schlarb) Winchester, Gracie Dau 9 F W Single TN TN TN (Gracie Nell Winchester md Alpheus William Thomas) Winchester, Toi Son 5 M W Single TN TN TN (James Toi "Jack" Winchester (1905 – 1951)

## 1920 census 9th Civil Dist., Putnam Co., TN

Dwl: 10 Family: 11 **Burch, Barney** Head 79 M W Married GA NC NC **Burch, Martha** Wife 78 F W Married SC SC SC

# 1920 census 11th Civil Dist., Putnam Co., TN

Dwl: 96 Family: 97 **Burch, Cleveland** Head 35 M W Married Miller Mill TN GA GA (Grover Cleveland "Cleve" Burch, s/o Barnett "Barney" Burch & Martha Elizabeth Jones) **Burch, Georgia** Wife 25 F W Married TN TN TN (Georgia Kerr Boyd, d/o George Washington Boyd & Naomi Tennessee "Tennie" Kerr/Carr) Burch, Kathleen Dau 3 F W Single TN TN TN (Kathleen Burch md Bill Craun)

## 1920 census 11<sup>th</sup> Civil Dist., Putnam Co., TN Dwl: 115 Family: 116

Dwl: 115 Family: 116 **Winchester, Rufus Toi** Head 41 M W Married Farmer General Farm TN TN TN **Winchester, Margaret** Wife 39 F W Married Winchester, Johnnie Mae Dau 16 F W Single TN TN TN Winchester, Anthony Son 14 M W Single TN TN TN Winchester, Luke Son 11 M W Single TN TN TN Winchester, Georgia Dau 9 F W Single TN TN TN Winchester, Frank D. Son 6 M W Single TN TN TN Winchester, Virgie Dau 4 3/12 F W Single TN TN TN Winchester, Ralph Son 3 1/12 M W Single TN TN TN Winchester, Margaret Dau 1 12/12 F W Single TN TN TN

#### 1920 census Los Angeles City, Precinct 644, Los Angeles, CA

Dwl: 1046 Family: 469 – 490
Winchester, Anthony Head 45 M W Married Carpenter Oil Co. TN TN TN
Winchester, Rilda Wife 44 M1 F W Married TN NC SC
Winchester, William V. Son 22 M W Single Engineer Oil Co. TN TN TN
Schlarb, Virgie Dau 20 F W Married TN TN TN
(*Virginia "Virgie" Winchester md Earl Edward Schlarb*)
Winchester, Grace N. Dau 18 F W Single Operator Telephone Co. TN TN TN
(*Gracie Nell Winchester md Alpheus William Thomas*)
Winchester, James T. Son 14 M W Single TN TN TN
(*James Toi "Jack" Winchester (1905 – 1951)*Winchester, Martha E. Dau 7 F W Single TN TN TN
(*Martha Elizabeth Winchester md John Dixon McLaren*)
Schlarb, Earl E. Son-in-Law 26 M W Married Laborer Lumber Co. IA Germany MN
Schlarb, William E. Grandson 1/12 M W Single CA IA TN

#### 1930 census Los Angeles County, District 579 Los Angeles, CA

(Wilmington) Sheet 22A 1046 McDonald Ave. DWL 439 Family 431Winchester, Anthony N. Head M W 55 Married 21yrs TN Carpenter/Building Contractor House is owned, worth \$7500, and they have a radio!

Winchester, Rilda H. Wife of Head F W 54 Married 20yrs TN Winchester, James T. Son M W 25 Single TN (*James Toi "Jack" Winchester* (1905 – 1951) Winchester, Martha Daughter F W 18 Single CA (*Martha Elizabeth Winchester md John Dixon McLaren*)

**Source: Draper Families in America** by Mrs. Ethel Nichols Anderson, Mrs. Willie Howard Draper Huddleston, Mrs. Christine Spivey Jones, Mrs. Eleanor Drake Mitchell & Mrs. Mildred Draper Summers. Pages 250 – 254.

**WILLIAM DRAPER**, born September 1, 1834, Chestnut Mound, TN – died June 16, 1901; buried Backwith, TN; (farmer; residence, Chestnut Mound, TN); married December 14, 1865, Chestnut Mound, TN; **MARY FERGUSON**, born August 24, 1849, Putnam Co., TN – died July 13, 1932.

Children of William Draper & Mary Ferguson:

1. Jasper Draper, died May 23, 1867; buried Smith Co., TN

Married 2<sup>nd</sup> December 30, 1868, near Chestnut Mound, TN; **MARY JANE APPLE**, born August 24, 1849, Putnam Co., TN – died July 13, 1932.

Children of William Draper & Mary Jane Apple:

- Daniel Mangium "Mang" Draper, born October 12, 1869, near Chestnut Mound, TN died February 21, 1938, Wilson Co., TN; (farmer; Martha, TN, Rt.2); married 1<sup>st</sup> December 21, 1893, Buffalo Valley, TN; Virginia Winchester, born October 23, 1875, Buffalo Valley; died December 20, 1895; buried Buffalo Valley in the Evans-Winchester Cemetery. (Note: Putnam County Cemeteries by Maurine Ensor Patton, pgs. 284, 285 has Virgie Draper, b. 23 October 1876 – d. 20 December 1895. Children of Daniel Mangium "Mang" Draper & Virginia Winchester: 1. Winnie Myrtle Draper, born November 20, 1894, Buffalo Valley, TN; married June 21,
  - 1. Winnie Myrtle Draper, born November 20, 1894, Buffalo Valley, TN; married June 21, 1924, Nashville, TN; Thomas Isaac Holland, born February 28, 1882, Gladeville, TN, Wilson Co.

Children of Thomas Isaac Holland & Winnie Myrtle Draper:

- 1. George Winchester Holland, born July 4, 1925, Wilson Co., TN
- 2. Mildred Kathryn Holland, b. April 4, 1928, Martha, TN

Married 2<sup>nd</sup>, October 15, 1896, Buffalo Valley, TN; **Mary "Mollie" Frances Bates**, born May 13, 1878, Buffalo Valley, TN – died February 23, 1908, Silver Springs, TN.

Children of Thomas Isaac Holland & Mary "Mollie" Frances Bates:

1. **Edna Lee Draper**, born July 24, 1897, Buffalo Valley, TN; married November 7, 1920, Leeville, TN; Hugh Robertson, born January 6, 1896, Temperance Hall, TN; (ice manufacturer, Chicago, IL).

Children of Hugh Robertson & Edna Lee Draper:

- 1. Margaret Draper Robertson, born January 1, 1922, Lebanon, TN
- 2. James Hugh Robertson, born March 23, 1924, Lebanon, TN
- 3. Thomas Gerald Robertson, born August 22, 1925, Evanston, IL
- 4. Charles Morgan Robertson, born April 12, 1927, Evanston, IL
- 2. **Mary Lucile Draper**, born May 15, 1899, Buffalo Valley, TN died July 8, 1928 Silver Springs, TN
- 3. Daniel Thomas Draper, born June 20, 1906, Silver Springs, TN; (farmer)

Married 3<sup>rd</sup>, November 5, 1913, Leeville, TN; **Mattie Eliza McDole**, born October 14, 1889, Sparta, TN – died October 20, 1919, Silver Springs.

Children of Thomas Isaac Holland & Mattie Eliza McDole:

1. Virginia Ruth Draper, born June 8, 1915, Silver Springs, TN

- 2. Meredith Eugene Draper, born August 23, 1916, Silver Springs, TN
- 3. Daniel Mang Draper, Jr., born August 26, 1917, Silver Springs, TN

Record given October 11, 1929 by E. W. and D. M. Draper, Martha, TN.

Note: Siblings of Daniel Mangium "Mang" Draper are:

- 1. **Thomas Luther Draper**, born July 9, 1872, Dillards Creek, near Chestnut Mound, TN died April 13, 1941, Washington Co., MS, Buried Greenville, MS; (cotton farmer, Winterville, MS); married December 29, 1906, Leeville, TN; Ida Pearl Sullivan, born Leeville, TN.
- 2. **Linus F. Draper**, born July 17, 1873, near Chestnut Mound, TN died September 21, 1873; buried Chestnut Mound.
- 3. **John Alvin Draper**, born September 8, 1874, near Chestnut Mound, TN (farmer, Martha, TN, Rt.2) married December 6, 1905, Leeville, TN; **Nora Davis**, born July 23, 1882, Beckwith, Wilson Co., TN died January 4, 1952.
- 4. Calla Dona Draper, born June 21, 1876 died July 22, 1880; buried Smith Co., TN.
- 5. **James Warren Draper**, born September 15, 1877, near Chestnut Mound, TN; (went to MT. In his last letter, he told he was to be married soon. Afterwards, no word).
- William Estell Draper, born February 23, 1879, Chestnut Mound, TN died February 5, 1957; Buried Lebanon Cemetery; (building contractor, Mt. Juliet, TN) married September 5, 1904, Wilson Co., TN; Lena D. Eatherly, born March 8, 1883, Wilson Co., TN – died April 16, 1955; Buried next to her husband.
- Edgar Wheeler Draper, born March 6, 1883, near Chestnut Mound, TN; (farmer, Martha, TN, Rt. 2); married January 17, 1906, Martha, Wilson Co., TN; Annie Elizabeth Frakes, born December 4, 1885 near Gallatin, TN.
- 8. **Ruby Gray Draper**, born November 25, 1885, near Chestnut Mound, TN; (Residence: Mr. Juliet, TN); married January 4, 1905, Mr. Juliet, TN; **Bethel Bates**, born April 3, 1882, Putnam Co., TN.

Source: Putnam County Cemeteries by Maurine Ensor Patton, pg.285: EVANS–WINCHESTER CEMETERY, Putnam Co., TN located in the Rock Springs community at the old Jared place. John Potter Winchester, b. 29 December 1849, TN – d. 16 September 1903 (*a Mason*) (*John Potter Winchester*, *h/o Licitia "Ligiti" Johnson Evans*)

**Licitia "Ligiti" Johnson (Evans) Wincheste**r, b. 24 March 1839, TN – d. 30 December 1915 (*w/o John Potter Winchester*)

Janie Ruth Winchester, b. 20 June 1922 – d. 18 March 1924 (*d/o Rufus Toi Winchester & Donna "Dona" Fletcher*) Virgie Draper, b. 23 October 1876 – d. 20 December 1895 (Virginia Alice "Virgie" Winchester, w/o Daniel Mangium "Mang" Draper) John D. Evans, b. 2 October 1823 – d. 15 September 1902 (*a Mason*)

**Levi F. Elder Evans**, b. 16 March 1831 – d. 11 May 1916

Martha J. Evans, b. 10 November 1842 - d. 31 January 1925

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Grover Cleveland "Cleve" Burch



Georgia Kerr (Boyd) Burch, w/o Grover Cleveland "Cleve" Burch

#### Grover Cleveland "Cleve" Burch Obt.

Rites for G. C. Burch held here today. Funeral services for G. C. Burch, 61 year old Buffalo Valley man who had been a guard at the Tennessee State Penitentiary for several years, who died of a heart attack while on duty Sunday were held Tuesday morning at the Carver Funeral Home here. Rev. Alonzo Harris and Rev. Dow A. Ensor officiated at the services. Burial was in Cookeville City Cemetery. A native of Buffalo Valley, Mr. Burch was the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Barney Burch.

Before becoming connected with the state, Mr. Burch ran a General Merchandise Store at Buffalo Valley. He was married in 1914 to the former, Miss Georgia Boyd, who died in April of last year. Survivors include a daughter, Miss Kathleen Burch.

Herald, Cookeville, TN: 4 July 1946, pg. 8.

#### Georgia Kerr (Boyd) Burch Obt.

Mrs. Cleveland Burch Dies in Nashville on Sunday

Mrs. Georgia Boyd, 51, wife of Cleveland Burch, died Sunday morning in Nashville after an extended illness. She was the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. George Washington Boyd of Buffalo Valley, and during most of her life she was a resident of Buffalo Valley but for the past few months, the family had resided in Nashville.

Mrs. Burch had been ill for more than 2 years. Funeral services were conducted at 10:00 Monday morning in the chapel of Carver Funeral Home in Cookeville, by Rev. Forrest Garman of Nashville, a former pastor of the Buffalo Valley Presbyterian Church, and Rev. J. A. Harris of Baxter. Burial was in Cookeville City Cemetery.

For several years, she was a teacher in the public schools of this county. She was a active and devoted member of the Buffalo Valley Presbyterian Church from her childhood. Survivors are G. C. Burch, a daughter, Miss Kathleen Burch, both of Nashville, and 4 sisters, Mrs. Luke Alexander Shanks of Buffalo Valley, Mrs. William Mervin Denny of Mt. Juliet, Mrs. Charles Harris of Carthage, and Mrs. Walter Payne of Detroit, MI, and many other relatives in this county.

Herald, Cookeville, TN: 19 April 1945.

#### George Washington Boyd Obt.

b. 22 January 1859, Putnam Co., TN
d. 23 September 1924, TN
s/o Bransford Boyd & Elizabeth "Liza" Jane Jared md Naomi Tennessee "Tennie" Kerr/Carr
b. 20 September 1855, Putnam Co., TN
d. 18 May 1928, TN –
Both Buried: + Boyd – Russell – Young Cemetery, Luke Shanks Homeplace, Putnam Co., TN
\*See Chapter 8 – ajlambert.com

Putnam County Herald, 23 September 1924

A well known and highly respected farmer of this county died Tuesday of heart failure at his home near Buffalo Valley in the Eleventh District of TN. He was stricken with an acute attack of heart trouble and lived only a few hours. He was 65 years old and had lived all of his life in the Eleventh Civil District. He was a man of the strictest integrity and enjoyed the confidence and esteem of all who knew him. He was a member of the Methodist Church and a Mason. He is survived by his wife and five grown daughters, Mrs. Hattie Denny of Lebanon, Mrs. Cleveland Burch of Buffalo Valley, Mrs. Walter Payne of Cookeville, and Misses Dona Boyd and Gertrude Boyd of Gentry, the two latter being teachers in the public schools of this county. Funeral services were conducted at the home on Wednesday afternoon, followed by the interment of the remains in the family burial lot. The deceased leaves many relatives and a host of friends in this county who mourn his death. His influence was always exerted for the right and he was indeed a good man and a useful citizen.

#### Naomi Tennessee "Tennie" Kerr/Carr Boyd Obt.

Putnam County Herald Newspaper, Cookeville, TN – May 24, 1928 pg. 6

Estimable Woman Passed Away on Friday May, 18.

Mrs. G. W. Boyd died at her home in Buffalo Valley on Friday May 18. She was 72 years of age and was a faithful member of the Methodist Church.

Mrs. Boyd was a member of one of the prominent families of the county. Her grandfather Joseph Jared was a soldier in the Revolutionary War. She is survived by 5 daughters; Mrs. Walter Payne of Cookeville, Mrs. Mervin Denny of Lebanon, Mrs. Dona Shanks, and Miss Gertrude Boyd of Buffalo Valley, and Mrs. Cleveland Burch of Petres and a number of grandchildren, two sisters, Mrs. Mary Wyatt of Chestnut Mound, and Mrs. Jane Elrod of Texas.

Funeral services were conducted at the home of Rev. J. A. Harris and she was buried by the side of her husband with appropriate rites attended by a large concourse of friends and relatives.

#### **Barnett "Barney" Burch**

b. 13 August 1839, Gilmer Co., GA - d. 16 July 1921, Buffalo Valley, Putnam Co., TN md **Martha Elizabeth (Jones) Burch**, b. 22 July 1840, Greenville, Co., SC – d. 13 September 1925, Wilmington, Los Angeles, CA, d/o **Arrias "Aries" Jones & Susan**. Barnett "Barney" Burch, s/o **Christopher Burch**, NC & **Piety Cash**, VA. Barnett and Martha (Jones) Burch are both buried in Maddux Cemetery, Putnam Co., TN.

Children of Barnett Burch and Martha Elizabeth Jones:

- 1. John L. Burch, b. 13 November 1864, Buffalo Valley, Putnam Co., TN d. 31 December 1878, Buffalo Valley, Putnam Co., TN. Maddux Cemetery, Putnam Co., TN.
- Catherine Elizabeth "Bettie" Burch, b. 24 December 1866, Buffalo Valley, Putnam Co., TN d. 17 November 1940, Buffalo Valley, Putnam Co., TN, md 1<sup>st</sup> Jessee Pullum, md 2<sup>nd</sup> James M. Lovelady.
- 3. Susan A. Burch, b. 10 April 1868, Buffalo Valley, Putnam Co., TN d. 3 May 1938, Howell Co., MO, md Washington Null.
- 4. Nettie Burch, b. 20 March 1872, Buffalo Valley, Putnam Co., TN- d. 6 March 1905, Chestnut Mound, Smith Co., TN, md on the 11<sup>th</sup> of September 1895, Smith Co., TN to William Frederick Sanderson, b. 23 August 1867, Chestnut Mound, Smith Co., TN d. 6 October 1943, Lebanon, Wilson Co., TN. Wyatt Cemetery, Chestnut Mound, Smith Co., TN.
- 5. Alice Georgie Burch, b. 21 October 1874 d. 10 October 1954, md Jesse F. Evans, b. 7 October 1869 d. 17 December 1954. Dad City Cemetery, Pasco Co., FL.
- Rilda Haseltine Burch, b. 15 December 1875, Buffalo Valley, Putnam Co., TN d. 23 March 1954, Los Angeles Co., CA, md Anthony Winchester, b. 2 December 1874, Buffalo Valley, Putnam Co., TN – d. 22 June 1967, Wilmington, Los Angeles Co., CA, s/o John Potter Winchester (1849-1903) & Liciti Pigg Evans (1839-1915). Angeles Abbey Memorial Park, Compton, Los Angeles Co., CA.
- James Tony Burch, b. 4 February 1877 d. 11 December 1956, md Florence Thorpe, b. 19 October 1875, KY – d. 28 March 1938, Los Angeles Co., CA. Downey District Cemetery, Los Angles Co., CA.
- 8. William "Willie" Burch, b. 20 March 1881, Buffalo Valley, Putnam Co., TN d. 19 February 1882, Buffalo Valley, Putnam Co., TN. Maddux Cemetery, Putnam Co., TN.

- Charles L. Burch, b. 4 January 1882, Buffalo Valley, Putnam Co., TN d. 24 January 1955, Algood, Putnam Co., TN, md on the 7<sup>th</sup> June 1913, Putnam Co., TN to Carrie Morgan, b. 9 August 1891 – d. 6 April 1975. Cookeville City Cemetery, Putnam Co., TN.
- Grover Cleveland "Cleve" Burch, b. 5 December 1894, TN d. 2 July 1946, Cookeville, Putnam Co., TN, md on the 29<sup>th</sup> of December 1914, Putnam Co., TN to Georgia Kerr Boyd, b. 6 March 1894, Putnam Co., TN – d. 15 April 1945, Cookeville, Putnam Co., TN, d/o George Washington Boyd (1859-1924) & Naomi Tennessee "Tennie" Kerr/Carr (1855-1928).
- 11. LeDora "Dora" Burch, b. 1889 d. 1937, md ?. Oaklawn Cemetery, Plant City, Hillsboro Co., FL.
- Velma Colleen Burch, b. 17 January 1891, Buffalo Valley, Putnam Co., TN d. 4 January 1971, Wilmington, Los Angeles Co., CA, md on the 9<sup>th</sup> of January 1915, Putnam Co., TN to John Orville Smith, b. 2 June 1891, Monterey, Putnam Co., TN – d. 22 October 1933, Los Angeles, CA, s/o William Claiborn Smith (1865 - 1943) & Elva Tennessee Howard (1871 -1958).

Rilda Haseltine Burch, b. 15 December 1875, Buffalo Valley, Putnam Co., TN – d. 23 March 1954, Los Angeles Co., CA, md Anthony Winchester, b. 2 December 1874, Buffalo Valley, Putnam Co., TN – d. 22 June 1967, Wilmington, Los Angeles Co., CA, s/o John Potter Winchester (1849-1903) & Liciti Pigg Evans (1839-1915). Angeles Abbey Memorial Park, Compton, Los Angeles Co., CA.

Anthony Winchester was born, raised and married in Buffalo Valley, Tennessee. He brought his wife (Rilda) and four children to California in 1906 and settled in Wilmington, in the harbor of Los Angeles.

Their tiny home had two rooms, a windmill, an outhouse, cows and chickens. Their fifth child, Martha Elizabeth, was born in that house and raised there until she was seven. The roads were not paved and Anthony usually walked or rode his bike to work as a carpenter. He built a "larger" home (3 bedrooms and 1.5 bathrooms) a block away in 1919 and lived there with his family for the rest of his life.

Children: <u>William Valentine Winchester (1897 - 1945)</u>\* <u>Virginia Alice Winchester Schlarb (1899 - 1995)</u>\* <u>Gracie Nell Winchester Thomas (1901 - 1975)</u>\* Jack Toi Winchester (1905 - 1951)\* Martha Elizabeth Winchester McLaren (1912 - 1999)\*

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At the time of his death, Mr. Flanagan, 48, was manager of the Quality Court Motel in Bowling Green.

Known to many people:

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Mr. Flanagan was a civic leader, member of the Russell Springs Baptist Church and of the Masonic Lodge.

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He was a son of L. D. and Tullie Dunbar Flanagan, who reside here on Jamestown Street.

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#### Bryan Sims Miller Obt.

On Tuesday night, April 17, Bryan Miller, 84 years old, died at his home at Crocus, Adair County, following a lingering illness. Mr. Miller was born and reared at the place where he died.

He had been in the mercantile business for about 50 years and had been very successful. He also engaged in farming and was very successful in all his undertakings. He was a son of the late J. P. Miller, who had a very wide acquaintance throughout this section.

Besides his wife he is survived by eight children, two sons, J. O. Miller, of Creelsboro, and Dr. J. W. Miller, of Greensburg; and also six daughters, Mrs. Nell Petty and Mrs. Winnie Herriford, both of Crocus; Mrs. Ruth Perkins, Georgetown; Mrs. Lillian Wilder, Glensfork, and Mrs. Edith Spickard of Jamestown; and Mrs. Sarah Miller of Akron, OH. Also 15 grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Attorney Jack Miller, of this city, and Dr. Walter B. Miller of Russell Springs, were grand-sons of the deceased.

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#### James Preston Miller Sr. Obt.

Death Ends His Long Career at Crocus, this County:

The gentleman whose name heads this article was born in Russell County, KY, March 17<sup>th</sup> 1826, and died at his home, Crocus, Adair County, March 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1905, making him 79 years old, 14 days.

The deceased was a very active businessman, had been sheriff of Russell County several terms and had filled a number of other important positions of trust. He was a man of strong character; had his opinions and spoke them, but was just to everybody with whom he had dealings.

This death removes from Adair County one of her most influential citizens, his wife has parted from a loving husband and his children from an affectionate and indulgent father. Besides his wife he is survived by nine children, all grown. The names are Messrs. N. B. Miller, Bryan Miller, B. V. Miller, Albert and Robert Miller, Dr. S. P. Miller, Mrs. Venia Kelsay, Mrs. A. H. Ballard and Mrs. H. N. Miller. To them and the sorrowing wife we desire to extend our deepest sympathy. A good husband and a kind father has paid the debt due from all the living, a happy home has been made desolate and a large scope of county bereft of its best friend.

The burial took place near the residence, last Monday many relatives and friends being present.

#### Joe Owen Miller Obt.

J. O. Miller Died at Creelsboro: Mr. J. O. Miller, 66, retired merchant and farmer, died early Wednesday morning at the family residence at Creelsboro. He had been in serious condition for some time.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Effie Armstrong Miller, a son, County Attorney Jack B. Miller, and two daughters, Mrs. Ralph Winchester of Greensburg and Mrs. Johnny Flanagan of Russell Springs. He also leaves a brother, Dr. James W. Miller of Greensburg, and the following sisters: Mrs. Nell Melson of

Crocus, Mrs. Ruth M. Perkins of Georgetown, KY, Mrs. Lillian M. Wilder of Louisville, Mrs. Winnie Hereford of Riverside, CA, Mrs. Sarah M. Vogliotti of Akron, OH, and Mrs. Edith Spickard of Jamestown.

Funeral services will be held at the residence at 2:00 o'clock Friday afternoon, with Rev. John Horton officiating. Burial will be in the Russell Springs Cemetery. Rippetoe Funeral Home is in charge of all arrangements.

The bereaved family has the sympathy of all in their loss.

Effie Miller Rites Held Tuesday: One of the best-known residents of the Creelsboro community, Mrs. Effie Miller, died Sunday. She was 73 years old. Mrs. Miller was the daughter of the late Walter A. Armstrong and Cora Campbell Armstrong. She was married in 1914 to Joe Miller, who passed away some 16 years ago. She is survived by two sons and two daughters: Jack B. Miller of Jamestown, Mrs. Ralph Winchester of Greensburg, and Mrs. John Flanagan of Bowling Green as well as eight grandchildren and one great-grand-daughter. Another son, Dr. Walter Miller, preceded her in death several years ago.

Mrs. Miller was widely-known as a gracious, kind lady and had a multitude of friends who will miss her greatly.

Pallbearers were Joey Miller, Larry Gosser, David Flanagan, John Flanagan, Mike Miller, and John P. Miller.

Funeral services were held Tuesday at the Rippetoe Funeral Home.

#### Dr. Walter Bryan Miller Obt.

Heart Attack Kills Dr. Walter Miller: Found In Auto On Farm Tuesday.

The tragic death of young Dr. Walter B. Miller, who died of a heart attack sometime between Monday night and Tuesday morning, at his farm near Middletown, has shocked this entire countryside and brought sorrow and heartache to hundreds of former patients and multitudes of friends. He was just 33 years old.

Dr. Miller was found lying in his car, near the entrance to a tobacco barn on his farm, by Herschel Rexroat. According to the report, Rexroat didn't know that the physician was dead at the time, but sensing that something might be wrong, called Johnny Flanagan, a brother-in-law of Dr. Miller.

Lying On Left Side: Flanagan, who is associated with Rippetoe Funeral Home, determined that the doctor was dead after only a cursory examination.

He was lying on his left side, his head next tot the driver's wheel, evidently having slipped down in that position after the attack.

Rexroat found him at approximately 10:00 a.m. The inquest was held at around 11:00 a.m. by Coroner J. A. Oaks. A doctor, who assisted him, established definitively that heart failure was the cause of death.

Dr. Miller had been in ill health for the past 18 months to two years, and during the last year his practice had been limited. He entered Somerset Hospital a few weeks ago, where it was found that his back had been fractured in three places, - the result of accidents months ago.

He was fitted with a brace at Somerset, but this apparently brought no relief.

And the result of his long suffering was a complete breakdown in health.

Coroner Oaks said Rexroat told him that he first noticed the car on the farm at about 4:00 p.m. Monday evening and seeing it there the next morning was led to investigate.

However, Dr. Miller was at Hopper's Drug Store, and also in The Times Journal office that night. While here he seemed alright, and left about 7:30 p.m.. and drove out to the tobacco barn, which is several hundred feet off Highway 35.

He had a lot of trouble about sleeping due to the pain often going for nearly a week with only a few hours of complete rest, and was in the habit of walking or driving around to pass off the time. This was the reason, it was theorized, why he drove to the farm.

Coroner Oaks said the doctor had been dead around 12 hours when found. If that is the case, and he left The Times Journal office at 7:30 p.m. time of his death could be placed at about 10:00 p.m. When Flanagan examined him he had begun to discolor on the side of his face that had lain next to his arm.

Dr. Miller attended Western State College, Bowling Green, and graduated in the upper third of his class at the University of Louisville Medical School, when he was only 23 years old.

He served three years as a medical officer in the US Navy, and practiced medicine for a few months at Greensburg before coming here, early in 1947. He had been here only a short time until he had one of the largest practices in the county-his easy going manner having endeared him to the people at once.

During the last serious influenza epidemic he went constantly – day and night.

Dr. Miller made a profession of faith a few weeks ago, at home, and was baptized by the local Christian minister, Rev. L. C. Young.

The funeral services will be held at the Russell Springs Methodist Church, due to the large auditorium. Rev. Young will conduct the services today (Thursday), at 2:00 p.m.

Rippetoe Funeral Home has taken care of all arrangements, and burial will be in the Russell Springs cemetery.

Survivors include his widow, Mrs. June Traylor Miller, and four children: Joey, Rita, John Traylor; and Laura June. He is also survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Miller, Jamestown; one brother, Jack Miller, Russell County Attorney; two sisters, Mrs. Johnny Flanagan, Russell Springs, and Mrs. Ralph Winchester, Greensburg. There are several uncles, aunts, and other near relatives.

Dr W. B. Miller Found Dead In Car Tuesday:

Dr. Walter B. Miller of Russell Springs was found dead in his car Tuesday morning about 10:30. Mr. Hershel Rexroat noticed the car standing in front of Dr. Miller's barn on his farm in the Middletown section, and going over to investigate, found Dr. Miller lying in the seat. He immediately went for Mr. Johnny Flanagan, who brought Dr. Pettey and Coroner J. A. Oaks to the scene, where Dr. Pettey pronounced him dead. It is thought that death was due to a heart attack. Coroner Oaks said he would judge that death had struck some 12 to 15 hours before.

Dr. Miller had been practicing in Russell County about seven years, and had an extensive practice in this and adjoining counties. He took his medical course at the University of Louisville, going into the Navy immediately upon graduation and serving his internship there. Upon his release from the navy he entered practice at Greensburg with an uncle and moved to Russell County about a year later.

Surviving are his wife and four small children. Also surviving are his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Miller of Creelsboro, a brother, County Attorney Jack B. Miller, and two sisters, Mrs. Nellie Winchester and Mrs. Johnny Flanagan.

Funeral services are to be held this (Thursday) afternoon at the Methodist Church in Russell Springs, conducted by Bro. L. C. Young, pastor of the Russell Springs Christian Church. Burial will be in the Russell Springs Cemetery, with Rippetoe Funeral Home in charge of all arrangements.



Virginia Alice Winchester (1876-1895) married Daniel Mang Draper (1869-1938) (he used his middle name) in December, 1893. She was seventeen.

In November, 1894 she gave birth to a daughter, Myrtle Draper, and in December, 1895, Virginia died – at age nineteen. She is buried in her wedding dress, next to her parents in the Winchester family plot.

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