

## **JONATHAN BUCK CEMETERY**

(Also known as the Buck Cemetery)

Putnam Co., TN

GPS Coordinates: Latitude: 36.15500, Longitude: -85.45390

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### **Enoch J. Buck**

b. 12 April 1827, TN – d. 16 May 1904, TN, md on the 16<sup>th</sup> of April 1846, TN to **Catharine C. (Quarles) Buck**, b. 10 May 1827, White Co., TN – d. 1 May 1895, Putnam Co., TN, d/o **William Hawes Quarles** (1794-1864) & **Ruth Hyder** (1803-1858), both buried in Quarles Cemetery, White Plains, Putnam Co., TN. Her headstone reads: 'Wife of E. L. Buck'. Enoch J. Buck, s/o **Isaac Newton Buck** (1800-1873) & **Mary Simerly** (1791-1871).

Children of Enoch J. Buck & Catharine C. Quarles are:

1. **George Washington Buck**, b. 23 August 1847, Putnam Co., TN – d. 26 February 1926, TN, md **Sarah (Mills) Buck**, b. 2 August 1852, Macon Co., TN – d. 23 October 1936, TN, d/o **William Mills & Ann Barns**. George & Sarah Buck are both buried in the Hillsdale Cemetery, Macon Co., TN.
2. **J. Lafayette "Fate" Buck**, b. 3 October 1851, TN – d. 18 January 1927, Putnam Co., TN, md to **A. Francis (unknown) Buck**, d. 16 May 1920 at 78 yrs. old.
3. **Isaac J. Buck**, b. 15 April 1853, TN – d. 13 July 1875, TN, buried in the Jonathan Buck Cemetery, Putnam Co., TN.
4. **Curtis Mills Buck**, b. 5 June 1856 – d. 29 October 1916, md **Susan Cummins (Vick) Buck**, b. 11 December 1855 – d. 18 July 1935, d/o **Robartus Vick** (1821-1866) & **Keziah Matheny** (1821-1899), both buried in the Algood Cemetery, Putnam Co., TN.
5. **William Haws Buck**, b. 15 January 1859 – d. 11 November 1930, Putnam Co., TN, md **Tennessee Denton (Bullington) Buck**, b. 5 December 1861 – d. 26 June 1942, both buried in the Salem Cemetery, Putnam Co., TN.
6. **Stephen Decatur Buck**, b. 18 April 1862, TN – d. 10 February 1932, Putnam Co., TN, md **Laura Dee (Peek) Buck**, b. 31 January 1876 – d. 30 May 1968, both buried in the Brown's Mill Cemetery, Putnam Co., TN.
7. **James Thomas Buck**, b. 15 March 1866, Putnam Co., TN – d. 24 April 1943, Putnam Co., TN, md **Susie E. (unknown) Buck**, b. 19 June 1871, Putnam Co., TN – d. 4 September 1951, Putnam Co., TN, both buried in the Phillips Cemetery, Putnam Co., TN.
8. **Erastus Hickman Buck**, b. 11 May 1870 – d. 28 November 1933, buried in the Phy Cemetery, Putnam Co., TN.

### **Capt. Ephraim Covalt Buck**

b. 8 July 1791, Bedford Co., PA – d. 7 June 1874, Okolona, Carter Co., TN, md **Nancy Agnes (Taylor) Buck**, b. 1795 – d. 4 November 1885, Okolona, Carter Co., TN. Capt. Ephraim Covalt Buck, s/o **Jonathan Buck Sr.** (1755-1831) & **Zuriah Covalt** (1756-1819).

He served in the military in the War of 1812. Ephraim was a Lt. in Captain Adam Wensell's Company of East Tennessee Militia, commanded by Col. Ewan Allison. Ephraim was promoted to Captain when Capt. Wensell became ill.

Due to injury, he was discharged a few months later on 18 May 1814. He returned to Washington county, where he was awarded a pension in April of 1816. He appeared on page 11 of the 1830 census of Carter County, Tennessee. Ephraim was awarded the first of two 80 acre bounty land warrants in 1855. Ephraim signed his will on 16 Jul 1870 in Carter county, Tennessee. It was proven in 1874. Legatees were his wife, Nancy A. Buck; sons, Isaac George Washington Buck, Nathaniel T. Buck, David M. Buck & Andrew Taylor Buck; daughters, Isabel M. T. Buck & Anne Elizabeth McInturff. (Anne is listed as "Mary" in some Buck genealogies.) He died on 7 Jun 1874 in Okalona, Carter county, Tennessee. His widow, Nancy Agnes Taylor Buck, resident of Carter county, TN received a widow's pension in January of 1874.

The Ephraim Buck Plantation Cemetery, located at the foot of buffalo mountain, near Bazzle's Gap, 5th dist., Carter County, Tenn.. the following is contributed from the files of Mrs. Mary Hardin MaCown, Johnson City, Tenn. The cemetery was copied by Mr. & Mrs. A.E. Buck Norwalk, Conn. and Mr. & Mrs. L.W. McCown, Johnson, City, Tn. Buck, Ephraim, Lieut., Captain Adam Winsell's Co. East Tenn Militia, War of 1812, died 6-07-1874. Ephraim Buck served as Lieut. and then Captain in Capt Adam Winsell's co., Col. Ewan Allison's Reg.E.T. Drftd Militia in the War of 1812 he enlisted 1-05-1814 and served until May 18, 1814. Captain Winsell became ill and Lieut. Buck assumed command of the company, and while assisting in getting the baggage wagons across the Tennessee River at Ross's Landing, recieved a rupture in the groin which resulted in a hernia. He was allowed a pension on April 24, 1816, under the Act of 1816 while a resident of Washington county. He later received a bounty land warrant in 1855 of 80 acres of land; and still later received an additional 80 acres of land on bounty warrant. He died 6-07-1874 and his widow, Nancy Agnes Taylor Buck received a pension on 8-01-1874 while residing at Okalona, Carter county, TN. She died 11-04-1885 at Okalona, TN and is likely buried beside her husband in an unmarked grave.

Ephraim Buck's grave had a gov't marker erected in 1938 through the help of Mrs.L.W. McCown of Johnson city who was actively engaged in erecting markers to soldiers of the War of 1812. His Grandson I.G.W. Buck of Tulia, Texas and D.M. Buck and sister Miss Sallie Buck of Okalona located and attested to the grave site in the family cemetery at the foot of Buffalo Mtn.

The will of Ephraim Buck dated July 16, 1870 and proved at sessions 1874 names wife Nancy A. Buck I beququeth one acre including the graveyard to the Lord Jesus Christ.....: son, Isaac Geoge Washington Buck ; daughter, Isabella M.T. Buck; son Nathaniel T Buck ; son David M. Buck: daughter Anne Elizabeth McInturff: son Andrew Taylor Buck. The two daughters Mary and Jane Buck died early in life. Isabella and Nath T. Buck lived on the home site on Buffalo Mountain. Andrew T. Buck moved to Virginia; David M. Buck married Mary E. Mongle of Virginia and lived in Abington, Virginia: Johnathon Buck was a Baptist preacher, married Jeruish (?) and later moved to West Tennessee; Anna Elizabeth married E.M. McInturff and lived on Buffalo Creek, Carter County, Isaac G.W. Buck married Mary Jane Jones and lived further down Buffalo Creek in Carter county. His old home and the cemetery is now along highway 23 between Johnson City and Edwin, Tennessee... Ephraim Buck was an emigrant to Tennessee country from Sumerset County, Pa..... taken from Cemeteries of Carter County Tennessee by Orville T. Fields 1976.

Ephraim C. BUCK and Nancy Agnes TAYLOR had the following children (9):

(1st) Jonathan BUCK 1819 - c. 1892 m: Margaret Susannah "Suzie" MORELAND

(2nd) Rev. David Mason BUCK 1820 - 1863 m: Mary Elizabeth MONGLE

(3rd) Anne Elizabeth BUCK 1821 - 1871 m: Emanuel M MCINTURFF

(4th) Isabella M.T. BUCK Lived with bro.Nath T. Buck lived on the homesite on Buffalo Mt., TN

(5th) Andrew Taylor BUCK m: \_\_\_\_\_MCINTRUFF and moved to VA.

(6th) Jane BUCK 1825 -- c1860's

(7th) Nathaniel T. BUCK 1827 - 1897 m:Clemmie Jane \_\_\_\_\_

(8th) Isaac George Washington BUCK 1833, 1908 m: Mary Jane JONES

(9th) Mary BUCK ?? - ??

Fields in Cemeteries of Carter County Tennessee states that "The two daughters , Mary and Jane Buck, died early in life."

**Isaac J. Buck**

b. 15 April 1853, TN – d. 13 July 1875, TN, s/o **Enoch J. Buck** (1827-1904) & **Catharine C. Quarles** (1827-1895).

**John B. Buck**

b. 11 March 1893 – d. 12 March 1893, s/o **Erastus Hickman Buck** (1870-1933) & **Lucinda Elizabeth Sliger** (1875-1939), both buried in Phy Cemetery, Putnam Co., TN.

'Sleep in Jesus Blessed Sleep'

**Jonathan Buck Jr.**

b. 1 May 1786, Bedford Co., PA – d. 10 June 1868, Cookeville, Putnam Co., TN, md on the 7<sup>th</sup> of April 1807, Carter Co., TN to **Glapha Y. (Denton) Buck**, b. 1786, Carter Co., TN – d. 1818, Sevier Co., TN, her burial is unknown. Jonathan Buck Jr. md 2<sup>nd</sup> to **Elizabeth (Barnett) Buck**, (1799-1891), burial site unknown. Children: **David Buck**, b. 26 April 1813 – d. 25 January 1895, buried in the Miriam Cemetery, Bethany, Harrison Co., MO. **Jesse Hickman Buck**, b. 15 December 1837 – d. 23 February 1930, Putnam Co., TN, buried in the Salem Cemetery, Putnam Co., TN, his mother was Jonathan Buck Jr. & Elizabeth Barnett. Jonathan Buck Jr., s/o **Jonathan Buck Sr.** (1755-1831) & **Zuriah Covalt** (1756- 1819). [Jonathan Buck Jr. is buried in the Buck Cemetery, Putnam Co., TN, located on the Pate Pointer farm on Dry Valley Road. Recorded by Zola Pointer in 1964.](#)

**Jonathan Buck Sr.**

b. 12 January 1755, Bedford, PA – d. 19 March 1831, TN, md on the 16<sup>th</sup> of March 1775, Bedford Co. PA, **Zuriah (Covalt) Buck**, b. 24 February 1756, Sussex Co., NJ – d. 12 November 1819, Putnam Co., TN, d/o **Abraham "Colt" Covalt** (1714-1780) & **Elizabeth Gustin** (1714-1788). Jonathan Taylor Buck Sr., possibly, s/o **Isaac Buck** (1729-1759) & **Hannah Hicks** (1732-?).

Children of Jonathan Buck Sr. & Zuriah Covalt are:

1. **Thomas Buck Sr.**, b. 12 September 1778, Bedford Co., PA – d. 24 February 1870, Fentress Co., TN, md **Mary (Range) Buck**, b. 23 August 1788, Washington Co., NC – d. 12 February 1873, Fentress Co., TN, both buried in the Range Cemetery, Armathwaite, Fentress Co., TN. Children: Jonathan Buck (1809-1860) & Noah Buck (1846-1914).
2. **Elijah Buck**, b. 16 January 1782, Bedford Co., PA – d. 1853, Fentress Co., TN, md **Anna (Denton) Buck**, burial unknown. Children: Louisa (Buck) Young (1809-1865).
3. **Jonathan Buck Jr.**, b. 1 May 1786, Bedford Co., PA – d. 10 June 1868, Cookeville, Putnam Co., TN, md on the 7<sup>th</sup> of April 1807, Carter Co., TN to **Glapha Y. (Denton) Buck**, b. 1786, Carter Co., TN – d. 1818, Sevier Co., TN,

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4. **Abraham Covalt Buck**, b. 19 August 1798, Carter Co., TN – d. 19 February 1875, Putnam Co., TN, md **Margaret (Simmerly) Buck**, b. 1798 – d. ?, d/o **Adam Simerly & Hannah Nowland** of Carter Co., TN. Abraham & Margaret Buck, burials unknown. Children: Mary Elizabeth (Buck) Dyer (1827-1866). Her sister married Rev. Isaac Buck Sr. the brother of her husband Abraham Covalt Buck.
  5. **Rev. Isaac Newton Buck Sr.**, b. 20 June 1800, Carter Co., TN – d. 7 September 1873, Cookeville, Putnam Co., TN, md **Mary (Simerly) Buck**, b. 16 November 1791, Watauga, Washington Co. VA – d. 16 November 1871, Putnam Co., TN, d/o **Adam Simerly & Hannah Nowland** of Carter Co., TN. Her sister married Abraham Covalt Buck, the brother of her husband Rev. Isaac Buck Sr. Children: Sarah (Buck) Rockwell (1819-1875), Jonathan Buck (1820-1885), Mary Jane (Buck) Webb (1825-1877), Martha Caroline (Buck) Mills (1832-1878) & Eliza Ann (Buck) Poteet (1834-1895).

(Source) Herald-Citizen, Cookeville, TN: Friday, 2 June 1989):

**REVOLUTIONARY SOLDIER’S GRAVE TO BE MARKED:** By Tammy Stanford, Herald-Citizen Staff.

Jonathan Buck came here in 1818; his grave found by Virginia relative:

The area here west of the Cumberland Gap was once the “pioneer frontier” of America, drawing adventurers and those seeking refuge and land.

A Virginia man’s quest to find the gravesite of one of those pioneers – a Revolutionary War soldier – has ended near Cookeville.

Jonathan Buck moved to present-day Putnam County about 1818, to a farm he received as part of the Revolutionary War land grant program.

He died in 1831 and was buried on the farm – located on Dry Valley Road near the White Plains community east of Cookeville and now owned by Harlan and Charlene Mullins.

John T. Buck, a retired professor from Virginia Polytechnic Institute and the great-great-great-grandson of Jonathan Buck, contacted the local Daughters of the American Revolution and Sons of the American Revolution about placing a Revolutionary War veteran’s marker at the grave.

John T. Buck was found through his research that Jonathan Buck was a private in Captain George Enslow's Company, First Battalion, Bedford Co., PA.

The ceremony to place the marker is set for Sat., June 24, at 10 a.m., with a reception afterwards.

The event is open to the public, but should be of special interest to the many Upper Cumberland descendants of Jonathan Buck, according to Eleanor Mitchell, regent of the Old Walton Road DAR chapter.

"Jonathan Buck and his wife, Zuriyah Covalt Buck, had several children whose descendants live in the area," said Mrs. Mitchell. "For Putnam County, the placing of the marker is a rather historic event, and it is certainly so for his man who's worked so hard to find his ancestor."

According to a letter written by John T. Buck to DAR members, representatives from the fifth, sixth, and seventh generations of the Buck family will attend the ceremony.

"I am looking forward to the occasion that has been nearly 30 years coming – finding my great-great-great-grandfather Jonathan Buck's grave," wrote Buck.

Jonathan Buck was born January 12, 1755, in Pennsylvania, according to 'A History of Jonathan and Zuriyah Covalt Buck's Descendants and Allied Families' by Katherine Raines Buck.

He is believed to be the son of Isaac Buck and Hannah Hicks. Isaac Buck sailed from England to America in 1752.

Jonathan Buck married Zuriyah Covalt in Pennsylvania on March 16, 1775, and the moved to Carter County, Tennessee, in the early 1790s.

The Bucks later moved to what was then White and Jackson Counties. Putnam County was formed from part of White County in 1842.

Mrs. Buck died in 1819, and is buried in the same cemetery as her husband.

The couple had 12 children – Elizabeth, Thomas, Susanna, Elijah, Barbara, Jonathan Jr., Bethuel, Ephriam, Abigail, Miriam, Abraham and Isaac.

### **Miriam Buck**

b. 13 August 1794, Carter Co., TN – d. 16 November 1858, Putnam Co., TN, d/o **Jonathan Buck Sr. (1755-1831) & Zuriyah Covalt (1756- 1819).**

According to the book "A History of Jonathan and Zuriyah Covalt Buck's Descendants and Allied Families" written by Katherine Raines Buck. Page 4 "Miriam Buck was the tenth child. She was born in TN. on 8/13/1794. She was never married and lived with her father after her mother's death. She died 11/16/1858, and is buried in the same cemetery as her parents."

### **Nancy Agnes (Taylor) Buck**

b. 1795 – d. 4 November 1885, Okolona, Carter Co., TN, md **Capt. Ephraim Covalt Buck**, b. 8 July 1791, Bedford Co., PA – d. 7 June 1874, Okolona, Carter Co., TN, s/o **Jonathan Buck Sr.** (1755-1831) & **Zuriah Covalt** (1756- 1819).

Nancy was buried in the Ephraim Buck Plantation Cem., Carter Co., TN. The Cemetery lists she was buried in an unmarked grave. No doubt she is buried along side her husband, Ephraim.

Nancy's grandfather and father, Andrew Taylor, Sr. (b: 1730/33 Northern Ireland, son of Isaac Taylor and Isabella Wilson) and Andrew Jr., at the age of 15, were Revolutionary War soldiers, and participated in the Battle of Kings Mountain. Andrew, Sr. was a member of the First Constitutional Convention of the State of Franklin. Andrew Taylor Sr.'s 1st wife was also his 1st cousin (Since her sister was his 2nd wife, does that make her his 2nd cousin?)(mw)

Katherine Raines Buck, in "Descendants of Jonathan & Zuriah Covalt Buck wrote that "Nancy's nephews, Robert Love Taylor, a Democrat, and his brother, Alfred Alexander Taylor, a Republican were each elected Governor of Tennessee. Robert's term was 1887-1891; Alfred's from 1921-1923. When they campaigned against each other, their mother would pin a red rose on one's lapel, and a white rose on the other's. Their campaign was dubbed "The War of the Roses."

Of note, Myrtle KESTNER SMITH's son, Joe found some books written by Peter TAYLOR who died in 1995/96. These were "Summons to Memphis" and "Fiddle and Bow". While attending Law School at UFL about 10 years ago, Joe attended a book reading by Peter TAYLOR but did not know of our kinship with the TAYLOR's at that time.

Interesting note: The August 1996 Buck Reunion was held in Johnson City, TN in the Gov. Robert L. Taylor Ballroom of the Johnson City Holiday Inn. On the door of the ball room is: "Robert L. Taylor Gov Ballroom 1887-1891 1897-1899"

Fort Watauga was built in Carter County and used as a base to defend the frontier against the Indians and the British. In July, 1776, the settlers at the fort, withstood a two weeks siege by the Cherokees, led by Old Abrams. After the siege had been broken, the settlers, led by John Sevier, invaded the Cherokee's main towns, putting each to the torch. This invasion made safe the area immediately surrounding the settlements.

In late September, 1780, the Overmountain Men mustered here for their march to Kings Mountain, SC, to give battle to Colonel Ferguson, who had threatened to march over the mountains and lay waste to their land with "fire and sword". Ferguson was killed and most of his army captured. This battle was the turning point of the Revolutionary War in the south. It saved the Patriot cause, which had suffered so many military defeats in this region and set off the events that led to the surrender of Cornwallis's Army at Yorktown the next year.

(From the Carter County Web Page: <http://www.tngenweb.usit.com/carter/#TOPO>)

### **Steven B. Buck**

b. 17 September 1894, TN – d. 1 June 1896, s/o **Erastus Hickman Buck** (1870-1933) & **Lucinda Elizabeth Sliger** (1875-1939), both buried in Phy Cemetery, Putnam Co., TN.  
'My Darling is at Rest Sweet Rest'

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### **Erastus Hickman Buck Obt.**

The death last week of Erastus H Buck, well known citizen and farmer of the 15th District, marked the passing of a most worthy and useful man. He always stood boldly for the up building and development of his community and the county, and was ever the champion of good schools, churches and all other worth while movements. He was a gentleman of the strictest integrity, who enjoyed to the fullest degree the confidence of all who knew him.

He belonged to one of the old and respected pioneer families of Putnam county. He was the son of the late Enoch Buck. On his mother's side, he was a great-grandson of Major William Quarles.

Such solid, substantial and worthy citizens such as Erastus Buck are great assets to any community and their passing is a distinct loss.

Putnam County Herald December 14, 1933

**BUCK, JONATHAN**

Service:

PENNSYLVANIA Rank(s): PRIVATE

Birth:

1-12-1755 PENNSYLVANIA

Death:

3-19-1831 JACKSON CO TENNESSEE

Service Source:

PA ARCH, 5TH SER, VOL 5, PP 92-93

Service Description:

1) CAPT GEORGE ENSLOW

Residence

1) **City:** PROVIDENCE TWP - **County:** BEDFORD CO - **State:** PENNSYLVANIA

Spouse

Number

Name

1)

ZURIAH COVALT

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