

Family Group Sheet		Husband's Full Name Green Washington Gentry							
		Date of:	Day	Month	Year	Town	County	State or Country	Additional Info.
Information Obtained From:		Birth:	5 September 1814		Jackson Co., TN				
		Marriage:	15 January 1840		Jackson Co., TN				
http://www.ajlambert.com		Death:	9 November 1898		Blanket, Brown Co., Comanche, TX				
		Burial:			Rock Church/Logan Valley Cemetery 3 miles north of Blanket, Brown Co., TX.				
Judy Ann Carr Randall		Places of Residence:							
Virginia Murphy		Occupation:			Religion:		Military Record:		
Sarah Potter		Other wives							
U. S. Census		His Father:		Joiner Gentry		His Mother:		Nancy	
Old family letters		Wife's Full Maiden Name Emeline Conway/Conaway							
Paula Swallows									
Stover		Date of:	Day	Month	Year	Town	County	State or Country	Additional Info.
Judy Ann Carr		Birth:	17 January 1824		Jackson Co., TN				
Randall		Marriage:	15 January 1840		Jackson Co., TN				
Compiler:		Death:	24 June 1906		Blanket, Brown Co., Comanche, TX				
Audrey J. Lambert		Burial:			Rock Church/Logan Valley Cemetery 3 miles north of Blanket, Brown Co., TX.				
Address: 39721 Timberlane Dr.		Places of Residence:							
City: St. Hts.		Occupation:			Religion:		Military Record:		
State: MI		Other husbands:							
Date: 27 Feb. 2008		Her Father:		Thomas Conway		Her Mother:		Elizabeth	
Sex:	Children's Full Names:	Date of:	Day	Month	Year	Town	County	State or Country	Additional Info.
F	1. Louisa Jane Gentry	Birth:	25 April 1841		Jackson Co., TN			John Henry Day Sides	
		Marriage:	15 March 1866		Bastrop, TX			b. 21 October 1841	
	Full Name of Spouse:	Death:	19 February 1919		Blanket, Brown, Comanche Co., TX			d. 22 May 1911	
	John Henry Day Sides	Burial:	Both buried:		Rock Church Cemetery, Brown, TX				
M	2. Thomas Marian Gentry	Birth:	11 January 1844		TN				
		Marriage:							
	Full Name of Spouse:	Death:			Comanche Co., TX				
	Nedia A.	Burial:							
F	3. Rosand Martha Gentry	Birth:	22 October 1846		TN				
		Marriage:						Rosand "Rose"	
	Full Name of Spouse:	Death:						Martha Gentry	
	Issac Tolliver Franks	Burial:							
M	4. Sarah Elizabeth Gentry	Birth:	27 December 1848		TN			1880 census	
		Marriage:	6 November 1870		Overton Co., TN			Brown Co., TX	
	Full Name of Spouse:	Death:			Probably, TX				
	William Carlock	Burial:							
M	5. Levi Allen Gentry	Birth:	4 July 1850		Jackson Co., TN			Marriage Bk G	
		Marriage:	12 October 1890		Burnet Co., TX			1890 Burnet, TX	
	Full Name of Spouse:	Death:	12 May 1936		Murray Co., OK				
	Verlydia Smith Phelps	Burial:			Palmer Cemetery				
F	6. Lousinda Emeline Gentry	Birth:	29 August 1852						
		Marriage:							
	Full Name of Spouse:	Death:	16 November 1873						
	Jackson Danner	Burial:							
F	7. Nancy "Addie" Adeline Gentry	Birth:	1 September 1855		Jackson Co., TN				
		Marriage:	7 July 1878		Comanche Co., TX			*See Story on	
	Full Name of Spouse:	Death:	10 April 1935		Burnet Co., TX			Faith Family - 1882	
	John Newton Faith	Burial:			Odd Fellows Cemetery, Burnett, TX			born in GA	

CHILDREN CONTINUATION SHEET for FAMILY GROUP No.					
Husband's full name		Green Washington Gentry			
Wife's full maiden name		Emeline Conway/Conaway			
Sex:	Children's Full Names:	Date of:	Day Month Year	Town County State or Country	Additional Info.
F	8. Tobitha Victoria Gentry	Birth:	19 December 1857		Marriage Bk D
		Chr'nd			Burnet, TX
	Full Name of Spouse: F. Chapman	Marriage:	19 September 1876	Burnet Co., TX	
		Death:	29 December 1949	Burnet Co., TX	
		Burial:			
F	9. Melissa Josephine Gentry	Birth:	31 March 1861	Desark, Prairie, AR	Jacob Phelps Hicks
		Chr'nd			b. 8 August 1858, Miller
	Full Name of Spouse: Jacob "Fleps" Phelps Hicks	Marriage:	28 March 1877	Blanco City, Blanco, TX	Creek, Blanco, TX -
		Death:	20 November 1937	Jefferson Co., OK	d. 8 February 1941
		Burial:		Oscar Cemetery, Jefferson Co., OK	Pryor, Mayes, OK
F	10. Margret Zellar Gentry	Birth:	1 January 1865		
		Chr'nd			
	Full Name of Spouse:	Marriage:			
		Death:	November 1868		
		Burial:			

Rock Church/Logan Valley Cemetery, 3 miles north of Blanket, Brown Co., TX

***Green Washington Gentry**, b. 5 September 1814, Jackson Co., TN - d. 9 November 1898, Blanket, Brown Co., Comanche, TX

***Emeline Conway Gentry**, b. 17 January 1824, Jackson Co., TN - d. 24 June 1906, d/o Thomas & Elizabeth Conway.

***John Henry Day Sides**, b. 21 October 1841 - d. 22 May 1911

***Louisa Jane (Gentry) Sides**, b. 25 April 1841, TN d. 19 February 1919, d/o Green Washington Gentry & Emeline Conway.

Source: Jackson County, Tennessee – 1850 census - Dist. 12

Dwl: 363 Family: 363 Line: 21

Green W. Gentry 36 M W TN House Carpenter TN *Green Washington Gentry, s/o Joiner Gentrys.*

Emiline 26 F W TN *Emilene Conway/Conaway*

Louisa 8 F W TN *Louisa Jane Gentry md John Sides*

Thomas 6 M W TN *Thomas Marion Gentry md Nedie A.*

Rosana 6 F W TN *Rosena Martha Gentry or Rosana Martelia Gentry md Issac Tolliver Franks.*

Sarah 2 F W TN *Sarah Elizabeth Gentry*

Census Place: 1880 Blanco City, Blanco Co., TX

Dwl: 44 Family: 45 Line: 31

G. W. Gentry 65 M W Farmer TN TN TN (*Green Washington Gentry, s/o Joiner Gentry*))

Emaline Gentry 55 F W Keeping House TN TN TN (*Emeline Conway/Conaway, d/o Thomas & Elizabeth Conway*)

Source: <http://ftp.rootsweb.com/pub/usgenweb/tx/comanche/history/histmrk.txt>

COMANCHE COUNTY, TEXAS

Marker # 989

Location: 0.25 mile west of town on US 377/67

City: Comanche

Marker Erected: 1936

Marker Text:

First settled in 1854 by five families, the county, created and organized 1856, was named for Comanche Indians, Lords of Texas frontier, who were losing hunting grounds to settlers. First county seat was Cora. Comanche has been county seat since July 18, 1859. Indians harassed settlers, stealing cattle and horses, and keeping farmers out of fields. Food from neighboring Bell County kept people here from starvation in 1862. By 1879 a stage line crossed county; the Texas Central Railroad came through in 1880; Fort Worth & Rio Grande Railroad in 1890. An oil boom occurred in 1918-1920. Agriculture has long been major industry. (1967) 1936 Text: Created January 25, 1856; Organized May 17, 1856; Named for the Comanche Indians, nomads of the Plains; successful hunters, superb horsemen, and courageous warriors; the terror of Texas frontier settlers, who dispossessed them of their hunting grounds. County Seat Troy (changed to Cora), 1856; Comanche, since July 18,

1859. *It has been said that Green Washington Gentry lived in Comanche Co., TX from 1882 until his death in 1892. Green lived in Burnett Co., TX with his family for a while. His sons, Levi Allen Gentry and Thomas Marion Gentry were in Burnett Co., TX as late as 1889.*

Source: Upper Cumberland Genealogical Association Bulletin, Vol. 6 No. 1, February 1981, pg. 30.

CONWAY AGREEMENT: Submitted by Dr. Louis Johnson

On 16 September 1854 the heirs and representatives entered into an agreement concerning the property of **Thomas Conway, deceased**, and this agreement is entered in Deed Book A, at page 61 of Putnam County, Tennessee. The Agreement is signed by **Elizabeth Conway, the widow of Thomas Conway; James Welch and Sarah Welch; Jordan K. Harris and Tabetha Harris; William H. Gentry and Lucinda Gentry; Lewis P. Conway; W. J. Carr and Lucretia Carr; G. W. Gentry and Emeline Gentry**. Witnesses were John Terry and **Silas W. Gentry**. On the same day and registered in Deed Book A pages 127-132 of Putnam County, Tennessee, 409 acres of land in several tracts on the waters of Cane Creek were sold to **William H. Gentry and Lucinda Gentry, his wife** by the following grantees: James Welch and Sarah Welch; Jordan K. Harris and **Tabitha Harris; Lewis P. Conway; William H. Carr and Lucretia Carr** his wife; **Green W. Gentry and Emeline Gentry**. Witnesses **John Terry and Silas W. Gentry**.

The 1850 U.S. Census of Jackson County (part later became Putnam County) lists James Welch 50, Sarah 45, Mary A. 16, Lucinda E. 14, John 11, James 8, Sarah A. 10, Eliza 4; Jourdan K. Harris 50, Tabitha 39, Rosana 6, Jourdan 4, Syntha 1, Elizabeth Stone 18, Thomas Stone 14, Madison Stone 12; **William H. Gentry 38, Lucinda 35**, Thomas 17, Silas 15, Lewis 12, Elizabeth 10, Nancy 7, Salley 4, Marian 1, Taylor 1; Lewis P. Conway 32, Cynthia 31, Nancy 11, Pleasant 9, Elizabeth 7, Sarah 6, Thomas 4, Tabitha 2; **Green W. Gentry 36, Eliline 26**, Louisa 8, Thomas 6, Rosana 4, Sarah 2; **Thomas Conway 79, Elizabeth 65**. William H. and Lucretia Carr did not appear in the 1850 census of Jackson Co., TN.

Note: James Thomas Welch, b. 5 August 1800, NC – d. 30 November 1888, Putnam Co., TN or Blackburn Fork, Jackson Co., TN. He married **Sarah Arena Conway**, b. 22 October 1804– d. 23 October 1898, Putnam Co., TN.

1850 census 12th Dist., Jackson Co., TN

Dwl: 67

James Welch 50 M W Farming NC

Sarah Welch 45 F W TN

Mary A. Welch 16 F W MO

Lucinda E. 14 F W MO

John Welch 11 M W AR

James Welch 8 M W AR

Sarah A. Welch 10 F W AR

Eliza Welch 4 F W MS

1860 census 1st Civil Dist., post office Cookeville, Putnam Co., TN

Dwl: 129

James Welch 59 M W Married (value of real estate, 500) (value of personal estate, 1,700) Farmer NC

Sarah Welch 55 F W Married TN

James Welch 18 M W Single Farmer AR

Eliza Welch 15 F W Single MS

Notes from letters: Lynn Hicks Emery: November 2005:

Dear Audrey,

I just found your website, & wanted to tell you how impressed I am with what you have done.

My name is Lynn Hicks Emery, & you & I are related through the Gentrys. My line is through:

Green Washington Gentry b. 5 Sep 1814, Jackson, TN; d. 9 Nov 1893, Blanket, Brown, TX [Comanche Co.]

married 15 Jan 1840, Jackson, TN

Emeline Conway b. 17 Jan 1824, Jackson, TN; d. 24 Jun 1906 Blanket, Brown, TX [Comanche Co.]

Last year, I visited their graves in the Rock Church/Logan Valley Cemetery in Brown County TX. The northeast corner of this cemetery lies in Comanche County.

Their youngest child, **Melissa Josephine Gentry**, b. 31 Mar 1861, Desark, Prairie, AR; d. 20 Nov 1937, Ryan or Woodrow, Jefferson, OK;

married 28 Mar 1877, Blanco City, Blanco, TX, **Jacob Phelps "Felps" Hicks**, b. 8 Aug 1858, Miller Creek, Blanco, TX; d. 8 Feb 1941, Pryor, Mayes, OK (My great grandparents)

I have been interested in genealogy & have been working on my family history for more than 40 years, & although I have managed to find quite a bit of information regarding the Gentry family, my Conway line was a total dead end until I found your site.

I have long felt that the Lucinda Conway who married Green's brother, must be Emeline Conway's sister, & that the Lewis Conway who lived near them in the 1850 Census must be her brother, & that the Thomas & Catherine Conway who also lived near them in that census must be their parents, but it wasn't until I found the Conway Agreement that you had discovered that I had seen any proof. Thank you so much.

Notes from letters:

Dear Audrey, I have been visiting your website for the last few days. What a piece of work you have done. I am descended from the Gentry family through Nicholas 1 Nichols 2, Robert 1, Bartlett, Joyner, then I think Martin B., however I am still searching for a document to prove that Joyner, (Jiner in 1820 census, White Co., TN) (Joiner in Jackson Co., Alabama in the Cherokee Indian War, 1836-1839). Then I find him in Overton and Putnam Co. in the 1850-52, but I can not find Joyner's children listed in any census or so far in his land records. He had land records in Jackson Co. AL in the 1830's. I have found no will or of course death certificate for either because of the time of death.

I wanted to tell you that I have old Gentry letters that could possibly be priceless to someone. One is from Levi Allen Gentry (son of Green Washington) while he was living in Oklahoma in Choctaw Indian nation in 1906. I am currently looking for Levi and have had no results. Another one is from Robert A. Gentry, I think if memory serves me from Lewis P. Gentry. I have one from Martin B. Gentry, my G. G. Grandfather that I can not share until I send it to the Daughters of the Confederacy. It is dated Oct. 29th 1897 and is to G. W. Gentry in Commonwealth, Texas. It tells of the death of my great grand-father Elias A. Gentry. There is one from Lois P. Gentry in 1898 to Louisa Gentry Sides. There is one from George Gentry to Louisa in 1888. There is one from F. M. Gentry to Louisa Sides 1899. There is one to Louisa Sides from Mary Clark in 1902. There is a mention of an Aunt Sallie Welch in one or more of the letters. I cannot identify all of these and would love to share them with someone who could pull it all together.

If you'd like copies of these to post please write me back. The letters are old and hard to read but I think they would be worth the effort. I already understand a lot more connections through your information. Please write or e-mail, thank you for all your work I feel like The Manchester Chapter DAR should send you a special certificate of thanks.

Judy Ann Carr Randall

Notes from letters: Judy Ann Carr Randall, 19 September 2007: I am and have been Regent of the Manchester Chapter NSDAR for sometime. My Gentry-Dodson line is fascinating and downright difficult at times. I have tried to prove Robert Gentry for a supplemental but not successful. I cannot connect my great great grandfather Martin B. (to whom I assumed his father was (Joyer) (Joiner) but his pension application was no help in locating his parents.

My letters will prove that Martin B. was the brother of Green Washington but I've never been able to prove who their father was. Never saw G. W. listed as the son of Robert Gentry the II before so I became very excited, **note:** she was looking at website: <http://www.ajlambert.com> ... however I could not see the proof on the website of course I did not get to take in all in.

If G. W. is the son of Robert II why did he go to AL with Joiner and Martin B.? They all three fought in the "Cherokee Indian War 1836 - 1839 same outfit. I have not yet checked service records. Was Robert there as well? I have never researched Robert II.

Anyway perhaps the letters will help us. If anyone has genuine proof of Robert II being G. W. brother I certainly need it. I do not care who my Martin B.'s father is I just want the truth.

The 1830 census for East TN are gone lost forever because of Court House fires and other disasters. I was born in Overton and have dozens of cousins there.

There are Alabama land records for Joiner, Martin B. and others (1835-40 I believe) Jackson Co. (Bellefonte) Joyner and Martin B. and G. W. all returned to Overton, Putnam and Jackson Co., TN in 1850.

In 1850-52 Martin B. built Putnam Co., Court House. He state he lived on Bear Creek at the time so the (jomer) census is very likely my Joyner. It is interesting to note that all 3 Gentry's, G. W. Joyer, Martin B. quit farming and became carpenters/house painters.

I would seem logical that G. W. was the son of Robert II because of the Conway "sisters". But my Martin B. should be there as well if that is the case and actually there is a gap of a few years in Robert II chart he could have fell into - M.B. was b. 1818-d. 1904, Jackson Co., TN.

Notes from letters: Judy Ann Carr Randall, 22 September 2007: I have had these letters for several years and have read them several times. I am going to number these letters so I can add comments after them.

Letter #1, 1887: From Martin B. Gentry to his brother George Washington, October 27th 1887, M. B. or Martin B. (confederate soldier) is my great great grandfather. I have never been able to prove his father and this letter confuses me. The Lias (Elias) the letter mentions having been killed by a saw log was my great grandfather. I recall as a child hearing the adults talking about what a shame it was what happed to Elias I had no clue as to what they were talking about. The problem is the brother G. W. in Whittville Texas. Green Washington was the only G. W. Gentry there at that time 1880 census. Whittville being one of those little towns that disappeared, population 27 in 1895. Whittville was Comanche Co., so how do we explain Martin B. writing Green Washington and addressing him as brother? Is it possible that Robert Gentry the second is his father, rather than Joiner. But everywhere Joiner has been Martin B. has been as well. But on the other hand Joiner, Martin B. and Green Washington were in Alabama in 1835-40 Jackson Co. in the Cherokee Indian War. Perhaps their records would help. Evidently George W. had land in Putnam Co. or Jackson Co., TN, which Martin B. or someone was suppose to car for that ended up in Chancery Court but I doubt there is a record left.

Letter #2: From Martin B. Gentry to George W. Gentry. Pretty well a normal letter but it is amazing to think that M. B. in his old age would consider a move or a trip to Texas. I am almost positive George’s letter was George Washington son of Martin B. Gentry.

Letter #2B, 1888: To Louisa Sides from George & M. B. Gentry, 17 October, 1888 – Priceless historical value. Note written across the back of letter in pencil by Maude May stating the letter was written by brother of G. W. Gentry, did she mean M. B., or George or both?

Letter #3, 1906: Letter from Levi Allen Gentry to his mother and sisters, January 5, 1906 or 1905. Very good descriptive letter of the Choctaw Indian Nation, Oklahoma. It appears on the map to have been just across the Texas border. Levi, son of Green Washington and Emeline Conway.

Letter #4, 1898: Does not appear complete had it not been for notes of Sarah Potter it would have been discarded.

Letter #5, 1898, Hudgens, TN: To Lousia (Gentry) Sides from Lewis P. Gentry, October 22nd 1898, speaks of Aunt Sally Welch. Could she be Sallie Sarah Gentry, sister of Robert the II and Joyner? There was a Sarah Welch that was there for the Conway settlement in 1850 Jackson Co., TN. She was born around 1813 according to the chart but had she been born in 1804 which is possible she would fit. The daughter Amanda hold another clue.

Letter #6, 1888: Letter from Robert A. Gentry to Miss Mollie Sides, 1898, Putnam Co., TN.. Mollie Sides in Texas. Just a friendly letter not very informative other than he identifies her as a cousin. Mollie I believe was a daughter of Louisa Jane (Gentry) Sides.

Letter #7: To Louisa Sides from Francis Marion Gentry, 1888? Very sad, Francis is very lonely must have lost a lot of family and friends by this time in his life. The letter appears to not be the one indicated by Sarah Potter in origin of these letters but shows she had knowledge of the family to have connected him and all of his marriages.

Letter #8, 1902: To Louisa (Gentry) Sides from Mary Clark: *Could this be Mary (Clark) Lowe, w/o I. Alfred Lowe, parents of Mary Lowe who md Robert Byrd “Burt” Gentry, s/o Robert Lindsey Gentry & Irena “Rena” Asenath Allison. Robert Lindsey Gentry, s/o Silas Whitney or William Gentry & Mary Jane Kerr Lindsey. Whitney or William Gentry, s/o Robert Gentry II & Nancy Harris.*

Letter #9, 1888: To Louisa (Gentry) Sides from George W. Gentry, s/o Martin B. Gentry. He is writing Louise Sides and tells her the initials of his children.

Other than the Gentry Family in America book mentioning Joyner Gentry. I find him first in Jackson Co., TN, references made to improvements Gentry family genealogy source *Building Neighborhoods Jackson Co., Tennessee prior to 1820, Abstractions from Record Group 50, Early land Records*, Tennessee State Library and Archives, by Betty Huff Bryant. In the 1820 census Jiner Gentry is in White Co., TN in 1830 who knows but he was in Alabama, Jackson Co in 1831, and it appears he bought land there in 1820 or perhaps Bartlett got it for him. It appears from a second look that the land for Bartlett and Joiner was issued in 1820. In 1836-39 Joiner, Martin B. and Green Washington are fighting Indians in Alabama. Hugh Gentry and Mary were in Jackson Co., AL sometime between 1819-56 because they were dismissed by letter from Mud Creek Primitive Baptist Church. Mary died sometime during this time frame. Judy Ann Carr Randall.

1820 census Sparta, White Co., TN

NAME	0 to 10 males	16-26 males	0 – 10 females	16-26 females
Jiner Gentry	(3)	(1)	(1)	(1)

Source: *Building Neighborhoods Jackson Co., Tennessee prior to 1820, Abstractions from Record Group 50, Early land Records*, Tennessee State Library and Archives, by Betty Huff Bryant.

pg. 48 – RG 50 Series 2 – Books 23 & 24 – Reel 6 1st Surveyor's District Land Entries – Jackson County Folks.

<u>BK</u>	<u>PG</u>	<u>NUMBER</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>
24	321	3627	Bartlett Gentry ...100 acs..on Cane Creek E. boundary of said Gentry's 200 ac occupancy survey.. 14 July 1809. Removed 5 February 1811. James Townsend, Loc.

pgs. 49 & 50 – RG 50 Series 2 – Books 23 & 24 – Reel 6 1st Surveyor's District Land Entries – Jackson County Folks.

<u>BK</u>	<u>PG</u>	<u>NUMBER</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>
24	392	4083	Smith Hutchins ...200 acs covering an occupant claim in name of Bartlett Gentry ...transferred by said Gentry to said Hutchins..on Cane Cree...adj James Wilson...including said Gentry's improvements. 9 November 1809. James Townsend, Loc.

pg. 60 – RG 50 Series 2 – Land Entry Book 26 – Reel 7 1st Surveyor's District Land Entries – Jackson County Folks.

<u>BK</u>	<u>PG</u>	<u>NUMBER</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>
25	62	5889	Bartlett Gentry ..100 acs...both sides of Cane Creek adj 200 acs granted to Smith Hutchins...incl said Gentry's improvement. 5 February 1811. Sur rtd 19 September 1812. Jas. Townsend, DS.

pg. 108 - RG 50 Series 2 – Land Entries Book 28 – Reel 8 1st Surveyor's District Entries – Jackson County.

<u>BK</u>	<u>PG</u>	<u>NUMBER</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>
28	280	10417	Robert Harris ...Cane Creek a branch of Caney Fork..SW corner of James Carter's 214 – ac. survey On Isaac Taylor's line. 20 March 1813.
28	280	10418	Robert Harris ...20 acs..Cane Creek branch of Caney Fork...improvement made by Robert Gentry . 20 March 1813.

pg. 143 - RG 50 Series 2 – Land Entries Book 29 – Reel 8 1st Surveyor's District Entries – Jackson County.

<u>BK</u>	<u>PG</u>	<u>NUMBER</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>
29	470	14021	Bartlett Gentry ... 10 acs...waters of Cane Creek..to incl improvement made by Henry Brewer. 8 December 1814.

pg. 173 - RG 50 Series 2 – Land Entries Book 30 – Reel 9 - 1st Surveyor's District Entries – Jackson County Folks.

<u>BK</u>	<u>PG</u>	<u>NUMBER</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>
30	509	18037	John Gann ...20 acs...Cane Creek...to incl Joiner Gentry's improvement where Wm. Southwood now lives - 20 December 1816.

pg. 173 - RG 50 Series 2 – Land Entries Book 30 – Reel 9 - 1st Surveyor's District Entries – Jackson County Folks.

<u>BK</u>	<u>PG</u>	<u>NUMBER</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>
30	531	18208	John Hutchins ...5 acs...on Cane Creek ... between Bartlett Gentry's and sd Hutchins lines. 28 January 1817. John Gann, Loc.

Source: Gentry Family in America 1676 – 1909, by Richard Gentry:

pg. 70: **BARTLETT GENTRY** of Belfant, AL (6) Robert III, Nicholas II, Nicholas I. – Born in Albemarle Co. VA, about 1761. He emigrated to Tennessee with his father, who was one of the first settlers of Jefferson Co., TN in 1783. He raised his family in White Co., TN, about 18 miles from Sparta, and in his old age he moved to Alabama with some of his children, and died near Belfant in that state.

Children:

Robert (86).

Joyner (87).

John (88), died in 1854.

Bartlett (89), born in 1803 – died in 1894, in Seymour, MO.

Jesse, born in White Co., TN about 1805; married and settled in Jackson Co., TN and raised a family.

Jennie.

Betsie.

Polly.

Sallie.

Katie, married Wesley Green and had: Mrs. Sallie Thorn of Confederate, KY; Mrs. Rosa Gist of Calera, AL; W. J. Green of AL, and Henderson P. Green of Prairie Grove, AK. Mrs. Thorn's daughter, Mrs. Rosa Lawrence, lives at Old Hickory, Conway Co., AR.

pg. 134: **ROBERT GENTRY** – (25) Bartlett IV, Robert III, Nicholas II, Nicholas I. - Born in White Co., TN, married and reared his family in Jackson Co., TN.

Children:

Silas.

William.

Meredith.

pg. 134: **JOYNER GENRY** of Belfant, AL (25) Bartlett IV, Robert III, Nicholas II, Nicholas I. – Born in Jefferson Co., TN, about 1796; was living in Belfant, Jackson Co., AL in 1841, and probably remained there, although most of his brothers left that state.

Children:

Washington.

Bartlett.

Gideon.

pg. 134: **JOHN GENTRY** of Neosho, MO (25) Bartlett IV, Robert III, Nicholas II, Nicholas I. – Born near Dandridge, TN; married and moved to Alabama, and then to Missouri and settled at Neosho; died in 1852. His wife was formerly Mary Smith. She also died in Neosho, MO. They had seven children, all of whose names are not known.

Children:

Jefferson Fisk (151), born in TN, September 10, 1819 – died in Cadiz, KY, March 21, 1897.

Dulaney.

Calvin Bartlett, resides in Yreka, CA.

John Perry, died in Collierville, TN, in 1881. He married Madaline Barbere in Paducah, KY and had three children.

Children:

John Gentry..

Madaline May Gentry., married Wynne James of Doylestown, PA.

Brooksie Gentry., born in Memphis, TN; married W. H.Garges of Doylestown, PA.

Dorinda, lived and died in Neosho, MO.

pg. 134: **BARTLETT GENTRY** of Seymour, MO (25) Bartlett IV, Robert III, Nicholas II, Nicholas I. – Born in East Tennessee in 1803; moved to Alabama, thence to Missouri in 1842; died in Seymour, MO in `894.

Children:

Oliver H., born 1829.

Lorenzo G., born 1831.

Bartlett J., died in 1875.

James M. died in 1850.

Joiner* D., born in 1833 in Alabama; came to Missouri with his father's family in about 1842, and he and all his brothers lived in southern Missouri. He married Martha J. and reared five sons and two daughters.

Children:

William S. Gentry.

Amos B. Gentry.

Charles O. Gentry.

Robert C. Gentry.

Mary Jane Gentry.

Martha Ann Gentry.

*The name Joyner, comes from Philip Joyner of Charlottesville, VA, the great grandfather of Bartlett Gentry No. 89. The Missouri Gentry's now spell the name, Joiner.

LETTER: #1, 1887: From M. B. Gentry to his brother G. W....the writer talks about how many children he has living and names them...George, Caroline, Jim, Sarah, Dora and Billy.

Martin B. Gentry, October 29th 1887, Confederate Veteran Letter

Dear Brother I received your letter a few days ago and was glad to know this leaves us all well now at present time.____? Been sick any sickness left_____ two a living in family now and that ____? My self. Jim Bilbrey and wife both are dead this is all your old acquaint are all dead that you knowed. We have lost nine of our children and have seven a living and all married, But one Lias (Elias) got killed with a saw log he left two children two weeks afterwards the woods was bloody.---? Died and left six children two of our girls are married and one of them has got three children and one two and all of them a living in sight of me. George has got five a living. Caroline has got four a living. Jime has got five a living. Sarah has got tow. Dora has got two. Billy 4. Crops are very sorrow here there want be any corn made here. Secondly this leaves us all well now and hope when this letter comes to hand it finds you the same. You said for me to see Brouce? Was going and will check on your land I went and saw them and I could not get much out of them about it. Brouce Morgan? Said the (possibly property taxes) about ninety Four dollard \$94.00_____all drawed out there_____sine bills filed in Chancehory court against it.(???) Gentrys widow filed a bill and drawed out \$25.00 and there is some cost against it and they are retaining something for (Donnees) child. I talked all so to Jimmy Right and he said he was tending to it for you for some time ago and told me he had sent you about \$300.00, three hundred dollars and they stop him and would not let him send any more. You wanted the name of the clerk Fate Mitchel and (Wilmson)? Goodpaster. Write to me as soon as you get this letter and direct your letter to Overton, Putnam County, Tenn.

M. B. Gentry Note: from Judy Ann Carr Randall, the (Lias) Elias mentioned in letter was my great grandfather.

Adelton Putnam Co Tenn Oct 27 1863

Dear Brother & Recived your letter of the 20th & was glad to hear from you this leaves us all well now at the end of the year I am sick any place left to a living in finally now & I am my self Jim Putnam & his wife. I send this is all of good acquaintances all dead that you know we have lost 9 nine of our children & four g. Given alive & all married but one has killed with a saw log he left two children two weeks afterwards man Moody Dick & left six children two of them girls on married & one of them has got three children & all of them are living in sight of me George has got five living Corlie has got four living & Jan has got five living Sarah has got two Sara has got 2 two Billy & crops are very poor here this year the any corn made here because this leaves us all well now & hope when this letter comes to you find you the same

M. B. Gentry

You said for me to see some money & will chop about your land & I saw them & I could not get much of them about it. The money said the bank. I sent for \$400.00. I send but there some bills for me chancy count against it means Gentrys widow filed a bill & I draw out \$2500.00 Dollars & there is some more against & they are retaining some there for Donness chief & I take all to Jimmy Right & he said he was trying to it for you some time ago & told me he had sent you about 30000 those hundred Dollars & they stop him & would not let him send any more you wanted the use of the clock fate Mitchell & Milburn Goodpastor write to me soon as you get this letter and direct your letters to Adelton Putnam.

M. B. Gentry

LETTER: #2 – Martin B. Gentry October 16th, Confederate Veteran Letter...To G. W. Gentry, Whittville, TX.

Dear brother it is with great pleasure that I let you know we are all well at this time and hope they will find you all well. You wanted to know? Died and nearly all the old ones are dead and a sight of the young ones. We have very good crops here this year wheat is very good corn raisin good times come hard here now. Every one of my grand children and great grand children is all well but Georges wife and she is poorly. I cant give you a full history at this time I writing you. Soon as you get this letter and give me a full history of that country about the timber, water, land, and health. What land is worth and the nearest depot to you so if I want to come and see that country I will know where to come. Louisa wrote I was glad to hear from them. Tell them to wright again this leaves the farm all well so more at this time.

Write as soon as you get this letter.

M. B. Gentry

Note: from Judy Randall, Martin B. Gentry my great grandfather.

State of Tenn.
Putnam Co. Oct 16th 1863

Dear Brother it is with great pleasure that I let you know that we are all well at this time and hope they will find you all well I got your letter some time ago which gave me great pleasure to hear from you. I will write you worded to know how had died nearly all of the old ones is dead and a sight of the young ones we have very good crops here this year wheat was very good

C. in very good times to hard here now very good all off my children and grand children and great grand children is all well but Georges wife and she is poorly. I cant give you a full history of all at this time I write you worded to know how had died nearly all of the old ones is dead and a sight of the young ones we have very good crops here this year wheat was very good

Louisa I was glad to hear from them tell them to write again this leaves the farm all well so more at this time

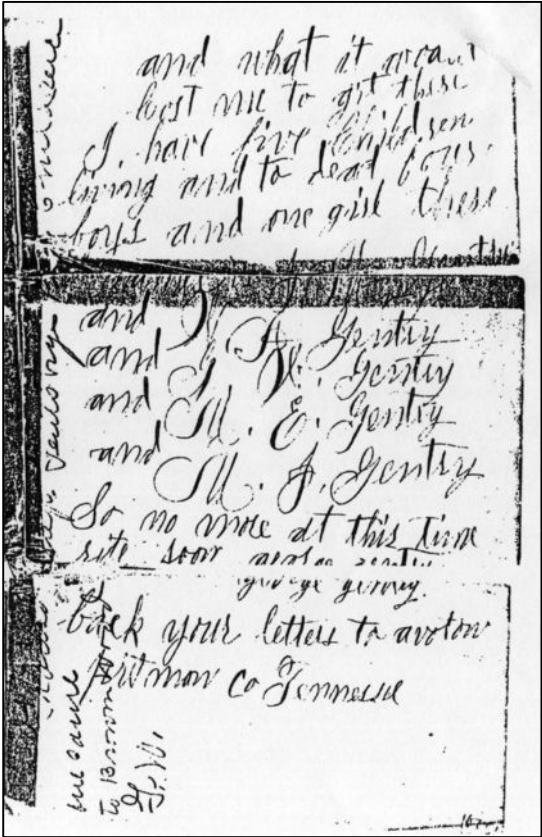
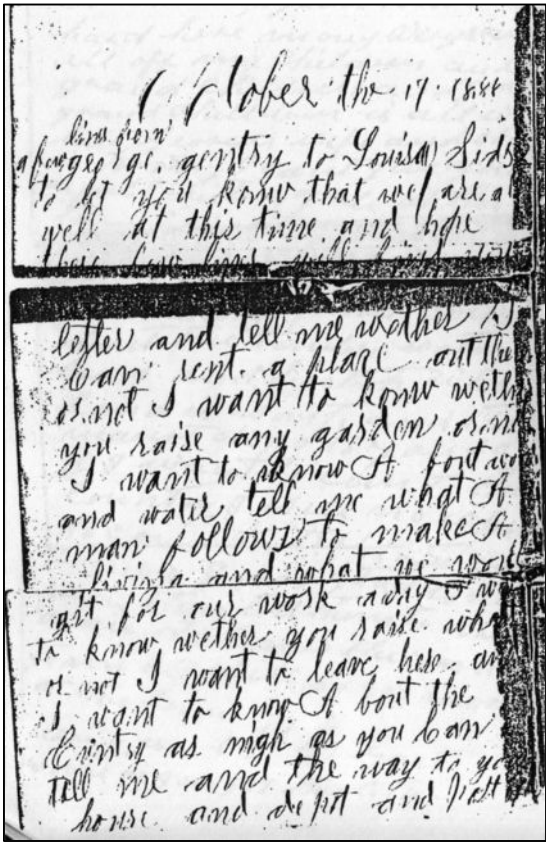
Write as M. B. Gentry

LETTER: #2B, 1888: Louisa Sides from M. B. (note by a Ms. Maude May states it was written by M. B. & George Gentry.)

October the 17th 1888

George Gentry to Louisa Sides, to let you know that we are well at this time and hope that these lines will find _____ letter and tell me wehter I can rent a place out there or not I want to know wehter you raise any garden or not. I want to know about wood and water tell me what a man follows to make a living and what we would get for our work a day. I want to know wehter you raise what or not I want to leave here and I want to know about the country as nigh as you can tell me and the way to your house and depot and what can very good times is _____ here many very _____ all of my children and grandchildren is all well but Georges wife and she is poorly. I cant give you a full history of all at las. So as soon as you get this letter and give me full history of that country about the timber, water, land and health, what land is worth, and the nearest depot to you so if I want to come to Texas country I will no which to consent _____-tell Louisa I was glad to hear from them tell them to wright again this leaves the _____ all well so no more at this time.

M. B. Gentry



LETTER: #3, 1906 – To Emeline Gentry and her daughters from Levi Gentry (her son)...letter written when Levi was living in Indian Territory, Victor, Choctaw Nation. Levi is very eloquent on page 1 in his description of the country. This letter is the most well written example we have of Levi's writing. Levi discusses his usual hard luck. He mentions Jake and Josie were also living in Indian Territory. Levi, son of Green Washington and Emeline Conway.

January 1906

Mrs. Emeline Gentry & sister.

I now take great pleasure in letting you know that we are well at present and hope you the same. We now live at Victor, I(ndian) T(erritory) Choctaw Nation in the Piney mountains where the panther squall and the turkey gobble and the wolves howl and there are deer hear too, we have got a snow about 16 inches deep and it is still snowing.

I had a streak of hard luck the other day I had the prettiest pony you ever saw and he fell in an old well and we had to dig him out and pull him out with my team and he is sore and stiff and will be for a few days.

We have got 40 acres of land rented and it is coal land some day we will have to get off at anytime but I think it is false reports we are going to try one crop hear we have plenty of range hear for both hogs & cattles and plenty of good water and I think the people are better neighbor hear than they are at Choctaw, hey tell me that if a man gets behind with his crop that they will come in with their teams and work out his crop. The boys went hunting and a panther ___ one of the dogs crazy for about ½ an hour, and run the other dog home it would have killed him if the boys had not carried him to the fire and worked with him for a long time. There are plenty of ___ and panthers here and there are no ___ about it we can hear the panther hollow up in the mountains but this is a thick ___ place hear and they do squall hear. We are all improving in health scince we got hear be sure let me know if you have sent anything to me in the last 6 weeks to Choctaw.

When I last heard of Jake and Josie they were at Grady, I(ndian) T(erritory). They were talking of living there all the children married ___. they said they had a great deal of sickness last summer.

We paid 60 cents for our corn there ___ 10000 nds of blackberry here, there are too Rail Road's close to us there are a great many coal mines hear there are plenty of work and good places, let me know from all you have heard from and write quick so good bye.

L A. Gentry

Victor, I.T.
Jan 22.08.
Mrs. Emeline Gentry & Sister
I now take great —
— pleasure in letting you
know that we are well
at Treasent and hope you
the same.
We now live at Victor
I.T. Choctaw Nation in
the Piney mountains
where the panther squall
and the turkey gobbles
the wolves howl and there
are deer hear too.
we have got a snow about
16 inches deep and it is

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I had a streak of hard
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the prettest pony you
ever saw and he fell in
an old well and we had
to dig him out and pull
him out with my team
and he is sore and stiff
and will be for a few
days.
we have got 40 acres
of land rented and it is
coal land some say we
will have to get off at
any time but I think
it is false reports we are
going to try one crop hear

LETTER: #4, 1898— To Louisa Gentry Sides from Lewis P. Gentry, Hudgens, TN, 1898. Lewis Gentry mentions that Aunt Sallie Welch died October 23, 1898 and was 94 the day before so her birthday was October 22. According to Lewis Gentry, Uncle Lewis Conway was in Butler Co., KY. Uncle Lewis P. Conway was from the wife of William Henry "Billy" Gentry, son of Robert Gentry II & Nancy Harris. William Henry Gentry married Lucinda Conway. Green Washington Gentry married Emilene Conway/Conaway, daughter of Thomas & Elizabeth Conway. Green Washington Gentry & William Henry "Billy" Gentry were cousins.. (*See Robert Gentry II & Nancy Harris family sheet). Is Aunt Sallie Welch the sister of Emeline Conway Gentry? **Note:** Lewis P. Gentry – b. 4 December 1837, TN – d. 6 April 1916, TN – md ca. 1859, Martha W. Buck – b. 3 November 1836, TN – d. 1 March 1919, both buried: +Gentry Cemetery, Putnam Co., TN. *Louisa Jane Gentry md John Sides. She was the d/o Green Washington Gentry & Emilene Conway/Conaway. Green W. Gentry, s/o Joiner Gentrys. *See 1850 census: Green Washington Gentry. Lewis P. Gentry, s/o William Henry "Billy" Gentry & Lucinda Conway, d/o Thomas & Elizabeth Conway. *See CONWAY AGREEMENT:* Submitted by Dr. Louis Johnson: An agreement concerning the property of **Thomas Conway, deceased**, and this agreement is entered in Deed Book A, at page 61 of Putnam County, Tennessee. Mentioned in this agreement is Sarah is married to James Thomas Welch and also signing is Emeline Gentry, which would be her sister.

Hudgens, TN, November 7, 1898
Mrs. Louiza Sides, Whittville, Tex.

Dear cousin,

We are all well at present, hoping you all are enjoying the same pleasure. Well cousin Aunt Sallie Welch is dead she died on the 23rd of October. She was 94 years old the day before Uncle Lewis Conway was in Butler Co., KY the last account we had of him.

Hudgens
Tenn.
Nov 7 1898
Mrs. Louiza Sides
Whittville Tex.
Dear Cousin
We are all well at pres-
ent. hoping you all
are enjoying the same
pleasure. Well Cousin
Aunt Sallie Welch
is dead she died on
the 23th of Oct. She
was 94 years old the
day before Uncle Lewis
Conway was in Butler Co.
Ky. the last account
we had of him.

LETTER: #5, 1898– To Louisa Gentry Sides from Louis P. Gentry... Lewis P. Gentry states he is a cousin of Louisa Sides. He names people in a picture he is sending as Lizzie’s baby, one of his granddaughter’s children, Jeff, Lewis’s wife, Alfred (his son), Mr. Patton (Lizzie’s husband), Stanton (his oldest child), Robert, Newton, John L. (his youngest child). He mentions having three girls and some boys that were not in the above group – prolific weren’t they. Lewis Gentry states that Aunt Sallie Welch was 94 years old today. (October 22, 1898). According to the letter Aunt Sallie Welch had a daughter named Amanda who lived in Rovanna, Missouri. **Note:** *Lewis P. Gentry – b. 4 December 1837, TN – d. 6 April 1916, TN – md ca. 1859, Martha W. Buck – b. 3 November 1836, TN – d. 1 March 1919, both buried: +Gentry Cemetery, Putnam Co., TN. He was the son of William Henry “Billy” Gentry & Lucinda Conway.*

Hudgens, Tenn., October 22, 1898

Mrs. Louisa Sides, Whittville, Tex.

Dear cousin, It is with pleasure we write you again. We wrote you some time ago and have failed get a letter from you since. We will send you this time a picture group of our family some of the children are not in this group. Lizzie’s baby and one of our granddaughters are in the group, daughter the next one is Ms. Patton. Lizzie’s husband, the next one is Stanton our oldest child, the next one is Robert, the next one is Newton and the last one standing is John L. our baby. Lizzie’s baby is on his grandma’s lap. One of the boys that are married and the three girls that are married are not in the group. We would have been glad if all the family could have been in this group but owing to sickness and other circumstances they could not be in it. We are all tolerably well at present.

P. S. Aunt Sallie Welch is 94 years old today and is just alive. I was up there day before yesterday and she had not eaten anything since last Sunday. Her daughter Amanda is in to see her. Her post office is Ravanna, MO.

Yours, Lewis P. Gentry

(1860 census, 16th Dist., Double Springs post office, Putnam Co., TN: Dwl: 778 – **L. P. Gentry** is head of household, 23 yrs. old, TN md to **Martha W.**, 21 yrs. old, TN. Child: William S. Gentry, 7/12 yrs. old, TN).

Census Place: 1880 District 16, Putnam Co, Tennessee

Source: FHL Film 1255275 National Archives Film T9-1275 Page 109C

Dwl: 233 Family: 238

	Relation	Sex	Marr	Race	Age	Birthplace
Lewis GENTRY	Self	M	M	W	42	TN
	Occ:	Farmer	Fa: TN	Mo: TN	<i>(Lewis P. Gentry, s/o William Henry “Billy” Gentry & Lucinda Conway)</i>	
Martha GENTRY	Wife	F	M	W	43	TN
	Occ:	Keeping House	Fa: TN	Mo: TN	<i>(Martha W. (Buck) Gentry – b. 3 November 1836, TN – d. 1 March 1919)</i>	
Stanton GENTRY	Son	M	S	W	20	TN
	Occ:	Work On Farm	Fa: ---	Mo: ---	<i>(William Stanton Gentry mentioned in letter #5 as being the oldest son. He md a Martha Jane, both buried in the Gentry Cemetery)</i>	
Thomas GENTRY	Son	M	S	W	18	TN
	Occ:	Work On Farm	Fa: ---	Mo: ---	<i>(Thomas M. Gentry md Rodia C. *See 1900 census (7th Civil Dist) & 1910 census (16th Civil Dist.).</i>	
Mary GENTRY	Dau	F	S	W	17	TN
		Fa: ---	Mo: ---			
Laura GENTRY	Dau	F	S	W	15	TN
		Fa: ---	Mo: ---			
Margaret GENTRY	Dau	F	S	W	12	TN
		Fa: ---	Mo: ---			
Robbert GENTRY	Son	M	S	W	8	TN
		Fa: ---	Mo: ---	<i>(Robert A. Gentry, b. 6 October 1871, TN – d. 25 April 1954, md Sallie. They are both buried in the Gentry Cemetery, Putnam Co., TN</i>		
Jefferson GENTRY	Son	M	S	W	5	TN
		Fa: ---	Mo: ---	<i>(Jefferson F. Gentry md Lois Edmonds, both buried in the Boiling Springs Cemetery, Putnam Co., TN. *See 1900 census, 8th Civil Dist.)</i>		
Lewis GENTRY	Son	M	S	W	3	TN
		Fa: ---	Mo: ---			
Liza GENTRY	Dau	F	S	W	8M	TN
		Fa: ---	Mo: ---			

(1900 census, 7th Civil Dist., Putnam Co., TN: Dwl: 92 Family: 92 – **Thomas M. Gentry** is head of household, 38 yrs. old, b. November 1861, TN md 13 yrs. to **Rhoda C.**, 33, b. January 1867, TN, 5 children born, 4 children living. Children: Charlie B., 11 yrs. old, b. October

1888; Effie L., 10 yrs. old, b. July 1889; William L., 6 yrs. old, b. October 1893 & Martha B. Gentry, 2 yrs. old, b. August 1897. All born in TN). (*Thomas M. Gentry, s/o Lewis P. Gentry & Martha W. Buck*).

(1900 census, 8th Civil Dist., Putnam Co., TN: Dwl: 81 Family: 81 – **Thomas Edmonds** is head of household, 62 yrs. old, b. June 1837, TN md 30 yrs. to **Mary P.**, 51 yrs. old, b. November 1848, TN, 5 children born, 3 children living. Living in the household: Samuel Edmonds, son, 18 yrs. old, b. August 1881, TN; **Lois (Edmonds) Gentry**, dau., 15 yrs. old, b. July 1884, TN, married 0 yrs. to **Jefferson Gentry**, son-in-law, 25 yrs. old, b. May 1875, TN). (*Jefferson Gentry, s/o Lewis P. Gentry & Martha W. Buck*).

(1900 census, 16th Civil Dist., Putnam Co., TN: Dwl: 18 Family: 18 – **Francis M. Gentry** is head of household, 50 yrs. old, b. June 1849, TN md 20 yrs. to **Martha**, 45, b. June 1854, TN, 14 children born, 10 children living. Children: Francis P., 19 yrs. old, b. July 1880; Thomas A., 16 yrs. old, b. October 1883; Lewis H., 15 yrs. old, b. January 1884; James B., 14 yrs. old, b. April 1886; Marion W., 12 yrs. old, b. June 1887; Verris M., 10 yrs. old, b. May 1890; Eliza V., 8 yrs. old, b. February 1892; Martha E., 6 yrs. old, b. February 1894 & Earnest C. Gentry, 5/12 yrs. old, b. December 1899. All born in TN). (*Francis Marion Gentry, s/o William Henry “Billy” Gentry & Lucinda Conway*)

(1900 census, 16th Civil Dist., Putnam Co., TN: Dwl: 19 Family: 19 – **William S. Gentry** is head of household, 40 yrs. old, b. March 1860, TN md 17 yrs. to **Martha J.**, 38, b. June 1861, TN, 6 children born, 5 children living. Children: Erasmath H., 15 yrs. old, b. February 1885; Fanny G., 13 yr. sold, b. March 1887; Herbert L., 10 yrs. old, b. August 1889; Herman L., 4 yrs. old, b. July 1895 7 Bammy E. Gentry, 2/12, b. March 1900. all born in TN). (*William Stanton Gentry mentioned in letter #5 as being the oldest son. He md a Martha Jane, both buried in the Gentry Cemetery*)

(1900 census, 16th Civil Dist., Putnam Co., TN: Dwl: 33 Family: 34 – **Lewis P. Gentry** is head of household, 62 yrs. old, b. December 1837, TN, md 41 yrs. to **Martha W.**, 63 yrs. old, b. November 1836, TN, 13 children born, 10 children living. Children: Lewis A., 23 yrs. old, b. April 1877; Nuten R., 18 yrs. old, b. November 1881 & John L. Gentry, 15 yrs. old, b. November 1884. All born in TN. Also living in the household: **David E. Patton**, son-in-law, 36 yrs. old, b. July 1863, TN, widow and **Walter L. Patton**, grandson, 2 yrs. old, b. November 1897, TN). (*John L. Gentry stated as being the youngest son of Lewis P. Gentry and Martha W. Buck. John L Gentry md Marry A.) (Newton R. Gentry md Lizie)*).

(1900 census, 16th Civil Dist., Putnam Co., TN: Dwl: 34 Family: 35 – **Robert Gentry** is head of household, 28 yrs. old, b. October 1871, TN, single, farmer, TN TN TN). (*Robert A. Gentry, s/o Lewis P. Gentry & Martha W. Buck*).

(1910 census, 8th Civil Dist., Sparta Rd., Putnam Co., TN: Dwl: 16 – **Robert A. Gentry** is head of household, 38 yrs. old, TN md 1 yr. to **Sallie**, 25 yrs. old, TN, no children).

(1910 census, 16th Civil Dist., Putnam Co., TN: Dwl: 139 Family: 140 – **Lewis P. Gentry** is head of household, 72 yrs. old, TN md 51 yrs. to **Martha W.**, 73 yrs. old, TN, 13 children born, 9 children living. Children: Alfred L. Gentry, 30 yrs. old, TN. Also living in the household: **Walter L. Patton**, grandson, 12 yrs. old, TN). (*Lewis P. Gentry, s/o William Henry “Billy” Gentry & Lucinda Conway*)

(1910 census, 16th Civil Dist., Cookeville, Rd., Putnam Co., TN: Dwl: 140 Family: 141 – **Thomas M. Gentry** is head of household, 48 yrs. old, TN md 22 yrs. to **Rodia C.**, 43 yrs. old, TN, 7 children born, 5 children living. Children: Beecher C., 21 yrs. old, TN, public schools teacher; Effe L., 19 yrs. old; William L., 17 yrs. old; Martha B., 12 yrs. old & Lenard J. Gentry, 2 yrs. old. All born in TN). (*Thomas M. Gentry, s/o Lewis P. Gentry & Martha W. Buck*)

(1910 census, 16th Civil Dist., Putnam Co., TN: Dwl: 141 Family: 142 – **John L. Gentry** is head of household, 25 yrs. old, TN md 0 yrs. to **Marry A.**, 26 yrs. old, TN, no children) (*John L. Gentry, s/o Lewis P. Gentry & Martha W. Buck*)

(1910 census, 16th Civil Dist., Putnam Co., TN: Dwl: 142 Family: 143 – **Newton R. Gentry** is head of household, 28 yrs. old, TN md 3 yrs. to **Lizie**, 21 yrs. old, TN, 2 children born, 2 children living. Children: Samuel H., 2 yrs. old, TN & Evangeline Gentry, 1 8/12 yrs. old, TN)

(1910 census, 19th Civil Dist., Putnam Co., TN: Dwl: 204 Family: 205 – **David E. Patton** is head of household, 46 yrs. old, TN (married 2nd time) md 5 yrs. to **Verna L.**, 32 yrs. old, TN M1, 1 child born, 1 child living. Child: Elbert L. Patton, 4 yrs. old, TN. Also living in the household: Ena R. Cooper, niece, 15 yrs. old, TN).

Cookeville City Cemetery, Putnam Co., TN:

***David Patton**, b. 17 July 1863, TN - d. 12 April 1929 & his 2nd wife

***Verna L. (Cooper) Patton**, b. 13 August 1875, TN – d. 11 November 1945.

Boiling Springs Cemetery, Putnam Co., TN

***Jefferson Franklin Gentry**, b. 26 May 1875, TN – d. 16 February 1955 (*son of Lewis P. Gentry & Martha W. Buck*)

***Lois Edwards (Edmonds) Gentry**, b. 9 April 1885, TN - d. 15 July 1959 (*Daughter of Thomas & Mary P. Edmonds*)

Hedgens Tenn.
Oct. 22, 1898.
Mrs. Louisa Sides
Whitville Ky.

Dear Cousin,
It is with pleasure
we write you again.
We wrote you some
time ago and have
failed to get a letter
from you since.
We will send you
this time a picture
group of our family.
Four of the children
are not in this
group. Lizzie's baby and
one of our grand-
daughters are in the group.

1898 A
daughter, the next one
is Mrs. Patton, Lizzie's
husband. The next one is
Stanton our oldest child,
the next one is Robert.
The next one is Newton,
and the last one standing
is John L., our baby.
Lizzie's baby is on her
grandmother's lap. One of
the boys that are married
and the three girls that
are married are not in
the group. We would have
been glad if all the
family could have
been in this group
but owing to sickness
and other hindrances
they could not be in it.
We are all tolerably
well at present.

P.S. Aunt
Sallie Welch is
94 years old to-day
and is just alive.
I was by there day
before yesterday
and she had not eaten
anything since last
Sunday. Her daughter
Annette is in to
see her. Her Post-
Office is Ravenna
Mo.

Yours
Lewis P. Gentry

Mrs. Louisa Sides

Whitville Ky.



LETTER: #6, 1888 - To Mollie Sides (daughter of Louisa Gentry Sides) from Robert A. Gentry. Robert lived in Hudgens, Putnam Co., TN. Other letters identify Gentry's living in the Putnam Co. towns of Cookeville, Baxter and Double Springs. (*Robert A. Gentry was the son of Lewis P. Gentry & Martha W. (Buck) Gentry. He is buried in the Gentry Cemetery, Putnam Co., TN).*

Hudgens, Putnam Co., TN, 4 - 24- 1888.

Miss Mollie Sides, Whittville, TN

Dear cousin,

It is with pleasure that I write you this evening to inform you that I am still in the land of the living and enjoying good health. Hoping you are blest with the same happy pleasure. I went to church this morning and to Sunday School this evening.

I hope you will excuse me for not sending my picture this time. As I have none of them by me at present. I have two pictures out on the loan though I cannot get them at present. I am to have some pictures made in a few weeks. I will send you one as soon as I get them made. Please write as soon as you get this and tell me all the best news.

I am Yours Truly,
Robert A. Gentry

Hudgens
Putnam Co. Tenn
4-24/1888

Miss Mollie Sides
Whittville, Tex.
Dear Cousin

It is with pleasure
that I write you this
Evening, to inform you
that I am still in the
Land of the living and
enjoying good health.
Hoping you are blest
with the same happy
Pleasure. I went to
Church this morning
and to Sunday School
this Evening.

I hope you will
Excuse me for not sending
my picture this time
As I have none of them
by me at present. I have
Two pictures out on the
loan though I can not
get them at present.
I am to have some
pictures made in a
few weeks. I will send
you one as soon as
I get them made.
Please write as soon as
you get this and tell
me all the best news.
I am Yours Truly
Robert A. Gentry.

Paran Cemetery, Overton Co. TN

Joiner Gentry, b. ca. 1794

Nancy Gentry, b. ca. 1805

Dodson Chapel Cemetery, Overton Co., TN

Elias A. Gentry, b. 5 September 1859, TN - d. 14 November 1881

LETTER: # 7, 11 September 1906 - To Louisa Gentry Sides from F.(rances) M.(Marion) Gentry. **Francis Marion Gentry**, b. 28 June 1849, TN – d. 3 August 1926, s/o William Henry “Billy” Gentry, (son of Robert Gentry II & Nancy Harris) and Lucinda Conway. Francis Marion Gentry md 1st **Mary C. Dyer**, b. ca. 1854 – d. 11 April 1879 - Both Buried: Gentry Cemetery, Putnam Co., TN md 2nd ca. 1867, **Eliza M. Allison**, b. 1 May 1848, TN – d. 12 July 1873 - Buried: +Gentry Cemetery, Putnam Co., TN md 3rd 16 September 1879, Putnam Co., TN, **Martha Thomas**, b. 3 June 1853, TN – d. 27 May 1909 Buried: +Gentry Cemetery, Putnam Co., TN, d/o **Joseph B. Thomas**, b. May 1820, Jackson Co., TN, s/o William “Billy” and Sarah “Sallie” (Green) Thomas & **Elizabeth “Betsy” Barr**, b. April 1818, Burton/Nash, White, TN, d/o Jonathan W. “John” & Elizabeth Reaves (Cronk) Barr.

F. M. Gentry states in a previous letter he married a Thomas and this person was Louisa’s second cousin. He indicated their relationship was through his wife’s grandmother who was a Green. His wife’s name was Martha. F. M. Gentry ask Louisa if she has heard from Uncle Louis. Reference is made to Louisa’s mother as his aunt, so he must have been her 1st cousin.

Putnam County, Tenn., Double Springs

Dear Cousin I take pleasure in drafting you a few lines to let you know we are well at present. Hoping those lines may find you enjoying the very blessing. I have nothing strange to tell you with pen here (?). Glad I would be see you all and talk over the past I am very lonely since I lost my parents and part of my own family. I have lost two wives and 7 children and have 12 children living. 2 ____ . Louisa I would like very much to see you & family as if Aunt is living I would be so proud to see her and if so tell her howdy for me. I want all of your pictures and best offers I want you all to write. So I must close bye saying goodbye. Bless you till we meet again if not on earth. Let us meet in heaven from F. M. Gentry & family to Louisa Sides & family.

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from F. M. Gentry & family
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Gentry Cemetery, Putnam Co., TN

Located by turning off Burgess Falls Road at Gentry’s Chapel, then turn left on first road. Go about a mile on the gravel road, cemetery is on the right.

***William Henry “Billy” Gentry**, b. 5 March 1812, Jackson, TN – d. 26 January 1893

***Lucinda Conway**, b. 12 December 1814, TN – d. 20 March 1893 (daughter of Thomas & Elizabeth Conway)

***Francis Marion Gentry**, b. 28 June 1849, TN – d. 3 August 1926

***Mary C. (Dyer) Gentry**, b. ca. 1854 – d. 11 April 1879 (1st wife of Francis Marion Gentry)

***Eliza M. (Allison) Gentry**, b. 1 May 1848, TN – d. 12 July 1873 (2nd wife of Francis Marion Gentry)

***Martha (Thomas) Gentry**, b. 3 June 1853, TN – d. 27 May 1909 (*3rd wife of Francis Marion Gentry*)

***Lewis P. Gentry**, 4 December 1837, TN – d. 6 April 1916 (*son of William Henry “Billy” Gentry & Lucinda Conway*)

***Martha W. Buck**, b. 3 November 1836, TN – d. 1 March 1919 (*wife of Lewis P. Gentry*).

***William Stanton Gentry**, b. 3 May 1860, TN – d. 8 March 1937 (*son of Lewis P. Gentry & Martha W. (Buck) Gentry*)

***Martha Jane Gentry**, b. 22 October 1861 – d. 2 November 1939

***Robert A. Gentry**, b. 6 October 1871, TN – d. 25 April 1954 (*son of Lewis P. Gentry & Martha W. (Buck) Gentry*)

***Sallie M. (unknown) Gentry**, b. 19 October 1884, TN – d. 13 May 1962. (*wife of Robert A. Gentry*)

***Edward Preston “Eddie” Franklin**, b. 1 February 1871, Putnam Co., TN – d. 17 September 1960

(*son of David Edward L. Franklin & Laura Ann Stewart*)

***Nancy Anna “Nan” (Gentry) Franklin**, b. April 1875/7, TN – d. ca. 1901, TN (*daughter of Francis Marion Gentry & Mary C. Dyer*)

Idella R. “Della” “Ila” (Gentry) Franklin, b. January 1873, Putnam, TN – d. October 1903

(*daughter of Francis Marion Gentry & Martha Thomas. She md John Franklin*)

Census Place: 1880 District 16, Putnam Co., Tennessee

Source: FHL Film 1255275 National Archives Film T9-1275 Page 108B

Dwl: 229 Family: 234

	Relation	Sex	Marr	Race	Age	Birthplace
William GENTRY	Self	M	M	W	68	TN

Occ: Farmer Fa: VA Mo: VA

(*William Henry “Billy” Gentry, s/o Robert Gentry II & Nancy Harris*)

Lucinda GENTRY	Wife	F	M	W	65	TN
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Occ: Keeping House Fa: NC Mo: NC

(*Lucinda Conway, d/o Thomas & Elizabeth Conway*)

Idella GENTRY GDau	F	S	W	7	TN
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Fa: --- Mo: ---

(*Idella R. “Della” “Ila” Gentry, d/o Francis Marion Gentry & his 3rd wife Martha Thomas. She md John Franklin*).

LETTER: #8, 23 February 1902 – To Louisa Gentry Sides from Mary Clark. *Could this be Mary (Clark) Lowe, w/o I. Alfred Lowe, parents of Mary Lowe who md Robert Byrd “Burt” Gentry, s/o Robert Lindsey Gentry & Irena “Rena” Asenath Allison. Robert Lindsey Gentry, s/o Silas Whitney or William Gentry & Mary Jane Kerr Lindsey. Whitney or William Gentry, s/o Robert Gentry II & Nancy Harris.*

Jeremiah, Tenn., 23 February 1902

Miss Louisa Sides, Whittville, TN

Dear cousin I will try an answer your letter which I received last. We were so glad to hear from you all once more was glad to hear you and aunt Emmie was still living and I am still in the land of the living. My health is badd but I am some better than I was a

Well Louisa you ask me about my children. I have had 11 children and 3 of them is dead an all married but 2 my baby girl is with me yet an my youngest sun is the post master to Jeremiah the rest of them is now living near me an Bud is still living. But Louisa I want you an ant Emmie to have you name pictures made an send me one an will you I would give everything to see them. Be shore an sent them to me an I will take some ___an send you one. Well Louisa I will haft to close for this time rite soon as you get this letter an let us now if you got it from your Best friend Mary Clark. Remember me an me alone remember me when I am gone.

By good By
Mary

Jeremiah Gentry
 Feb 23 1902
 Miss Louisa Rider
 Whittell
 Dear Cousin I write
 you an answer your letter
 which I received last
 week an was so glad
 to hear from you all
 once more was glad
 to hear you and Aunt
 Emma was still living
 I am still in the land
 among the land an the
 living my health is
 bad but I am some
 better than I was a

4
 Will Louisa you ask
 me about my children
 I have had 11 children
 an 3 of them is dead
 an all married but
 2 my baby girl is
 with me yet an my
 youngest son is the
 Post master at Jermiah
 the rest of them is
 living near me an
 Bud is still living
 But Louisa I want
 you an Aunt Emma
 to have you some
 pictures made an
 send me one an will
 you I would

5-
 give every thing to
 see them to where
 an send them to me
 an I will take some
 make an send you
 one will Louisa I
 will have to close
 for this time with soon
 as you get this letter
 an let Mr. Now if you
 got it from your
 best friend Mary
 Clark remember me
 an me alone remember
 me when I am gone
 By good bye
 Mary

Joseph Clayton "Joe" Gentry Sr., b. 8 March 1854, TN. He was the son of Robert Lindsey Gentry & Irene "Rena" Allison. Joseph d. 6 May 1928, Baxter, Putnam Co., TN. He md 1st **Eliza Jane Thomas** on the 8th of November 1877. She was b. 26 February 1858, TN, d/o **Joseph B. Thomas & Elizabeth "Besty" Barr**. Joseph md 2nd Arminta Emoline "Emma" Davis, 1900, TN. She was the d/o John Davis & Eliza J. Phy. Eliza Jane Thomas d. 28 May 1895 and was buried in the Harris Cemetery, buried next to her is her son Joseph C. Gentry Jr., b. 13 May 1893 - d. 19 January 1912. **Eliza Jane Thomas** was the sister of **Martha Thomas** who was the 3rd w/o Francis Marion Gentry, s/o William Henry "Billy" Gentry & Lucinda Conway.

Elizabeth "Besty" Barr, b. April 1818, Burton/Nash, White Co., TN. She was the d/o Jonathan W. "John" Barr & Elizabeth Reaves Cronk. She md Joseph B. Thomas about 1837/1838, TN. He was b. May 1820, Jackson Co., TN, s/o William "Billy" Thomas & Sarah "Sallie" Green.

Children:
 John Washington Thomas, b. 17 September 1839, TN - d. 14 August 1904. He md 1st Nancy Poline Gentry, b. 3 March 1840, Jackson Co. TN - d. 27 September 1876 d/o Silas Whitley Gentry & Mary Jane Lindsey. Both buried in the Allison Cemetery, Putnam Co., TN.

Elizabeth Ann Thomas, b. 1842, TN md Bony Jones on the 18th of September 1881, Burton, Putnam Co., TN.

Mary “Polly” Thomas, b. 1848, TN md William “Bill” Harris.

William H. Thomas, b. 5 March 1851 – d. 24 May 1937, Warren, TN. He md Almira Jane Crawley.

Child:

Sarah Elizabeth Thomas, b. 17 August 1874, md John T. Sewell on the 29th of December 1904. Sarah died 9 may 1959, Warren, TN.

Martha Thomas, b. 3 June 1853, TN – d. 27 May 1909. She was the 3rd w/o Frances Marion Gentry, b. 28 June 1849, TN – d. 3 August 1926, s/o William Henry “Billy” Gentry & Lucinda Conway.

Eliza Jane Thomas, b. 26 February 1858, TN – d. 28 May 1895. She md Joseph Clayton “Joe” Gentry Sr., b. 8 March 1854, TN - d. 6 May 1928, Baxter, TN, Robert Lindsey Gentry & Irene “Rena” Allison. Eliza Jane Thomas Gentry is buried in the Harris Cemetery, Putnam Co., TN. Joseph Gentry also md 2nd Arminta Emoline “Emma” Davis.

Children:

- John Byrd Gentry, b. 2 August 1878
- Robert R. Gentry, b. 16 August 1880, Putnam Co., TN
- Dora Gentry, b. December 1881, Putnam Co., TN
- Nora I. Gentry, b. 16 October 1882, Putnam Co., TN
- Eliza Doretta Gentry, b. 31 October 1884, Putnam Co., TN
- Willie C. Gentry, b. 7 October 1886, Putnam Co., TN
- Carrie Gentry, b. 5 October 1888. She md I. I. Martin on the 25th of December, Putnam Co., TN.
- Josephas C. Gentry, b. 13 May 1893 – d. 19 January 1912, buried at Harris Cemetery, Putnam Co., TN.

Jessee Thomas, b. 1862, TN

Margaret Thomas, b. 1864

1840 census Jackson Co., Alabama

Heritage Quest: Image 49

Joiner Gentry

<u>(5-10) males</u>	<u>(10-15) males</u>	<u>(15-20) males</u>	<u>(20-30) males</u>	<u>(30-40) males</u>	<u>(40-50) males</u>
1	1	1	2	1	1
<u>(5-10) females</u>	<u>(10-15) females</u>	<u>(15-20) males</u>			<u>(40-50) males</u>
1	1	1			1

1840 census Jackson Co., Alabama – Northern Dist.

Bartlett Gentry:

Free White Males:

2: of 5 & under 10 1: of 10 & under 15 1: of 15 & under 20 1: of 30 & under 40 1: of 70 & under 80

Free White Females:

1: of 5 & under 10 1: of 30 & under 70

Total: 8

1840 census Jackson County, Tennessee

Robert Gentry:

Free White Males

1 male 0-5; 1 male 5-10; 1 male 10-15; 1 male 15-20; 1 male 40-50

Free White Females:

1 female 10-15; 1 female 40-50; 2 in agriculture

Source: Jackson County, Tennessee – 1850 census – Dist. 12

Dwl: 45 Family: 345 Line: 13

Robert Gentry Jr. 20 M W Farming (Value of Real Estate, 100) TN *Robert Gentry Jr., s/o Robert Gentry & Nancy Harris.*

Jane 20 F W VA *Martha Jane Shanks, d/o William Simon Shanks & Margaret "Peggy" Maddux.*

Source: Jackson County, Tennessee – 1850 census - Dist. 12

Dwl: 363 Family: 363 Line: 21

Green W. Gentry 36 M W TN House Carpenter TN *Green Washington Gentry, s/o Joiner Gentry..*

Emiline 26 F W TN *Emiline Conway/Conaway*

Louisa 8 F W TN *Louisa Jane Gentry md John Sides*
Thomas 6 M W TN *Thomas Marion Gentry md Nedie A.*
Rosana 6 F W TN *Rosena Martha Gentry or Rosana Martelia Gentry md Issac Tolliver Franks*
Sarah 2 F W TN *Sarah Elizabeth Gentry*

Source: Jackson County, Tennessee – 1850 census - Dist. 12

Dwl: 379 Family: 379 Line: 3

Meradith J. Gentry 26 M W Farming (Value of Real Estate, 200) TN *Meredith Jurdan Gentry, s/o Robert Gentry & Nancy Harris.*

Meredith md 1st Frances Ann Shanks and 2nd her sister, Josephine Maxwell Shanks.

Frances 22 F W VA *Frances Ann Shanks, d/o William Simon & Margaret “Peggy” (Maddux) Shanks*

Robert 1 M W TN *Robert Simon “Bob” Gentry md Lucinda M. “Lucy” Franklin.*

Source: Jackson County, Tennessee – 1850 census - Dist. 12 – Enumerated 26th day of September 1850.

Dwl: 380 Family: 380 Line: 6

Nancy Gentry 60 F W VA *Nancy (Harris) Gentry, w/o Robert Gentry.*

Herald Gentry 15 M W TN *Herald Gentry*

Wiley Gentry 12 M W TN *Wiley Gentry md Minerva Elizabeth “Nevie” McCaleb, d/o Capt. Samuel Vanransalear Asiel*

Silo Moore McCaleb & Eleanor “Nellie” Rhea Ray.

Source: Overton County, Tennessee – 1850 census - Dist. 1

Dwl: 486 Family: 487 Line: 1

Martin B. Gentry 31 M (value of real estate, 440) Farmer TN *(brother of Green Washington Gentry)*

Mary Gentry 21 F TN

Nancy Gentry 3 F TN

George Gentry 2 M TN *George W. Gentry md Margaret.... *See 1870 census 15th Civil Dist., Putnam Co., TN)*

Elizabeth Gentry 1 F TN

Source: Overton County, Tennessee – 1850 census - Dist. 1

Dwl: 487 Family: 488 Line: 2

Joiner Gentry 56 M Farmer TN

Nancy Gentry 56 F TN

Martha Gentry 18 F TN

Nancy Gentry 16 F TN

1860 15th Dist., Bear Creek post office, Putnam Co., TN

Dwl: 440 Family: 440

M. B. Gentry 42 M (value of real estate, 1,100) (value of personal estate, 800) Carpenter TN
(brother of Green Washington Gentry) (Martin B. Gentry md Mary "Pollie" Peek)

Mary Gentry 33 F TN *(Mary “Pollie” Peek, also called Polly... *See 1870 census 15th Civil Dist., Putnam Co., TN)*

Nancy J. Gentry 13 F TN

George W. Gentry 12 M TN

Elizabeth Gentry 11 F TN

Charlotte C. Gentry 9 F TN

James W. Gentry 7 M TN

Elis A. Gentry 5 M TN

(Elias A. Gentry, b. 5 September 1859, TN – d. 14 November 1881, buried in the Dodson Chapel Cemetery, Overton Co., TN. He married Sarah Catherine Hanna Miranda Emeline Dodson (called Miranda))

Mary C. Gentry 3/12 F TN

1860 15th Dist., Bear Creek post office, Putnam Co., TN

Dwl: 442 Family: 442

Joiner Gentry 65 M (value of personal estate, 300) Carpenter TN *(buried in the Paran Cemetery, Overton Co., TN)*

Nancy Gentry 65 F NC *(buried in the Paran Cemetery, Overton Co., TN)*

1870 15th Dist., Buffalo Valley post office, Putnam Co., TN

Dwl: 40 Family: 40

G. W. Gentry 22 M W (value of personal estate, 150) Farmer TN

Margaret Gentry 23 F W Keeping house TN

James Gentry 2 M W TN

William Gentry 0 M W b. 6/12 December TN

1870 15th Dist., Buffalo Valley post office, Putnam Co., TN

Dwl: 40 Family: 40

M. B. Gentry 49 M W (value of real estate, 400) (value of personal estate, 400) Farmer TN (*brother of Green Washington Gentry*)**Polly Gentry** 42 F W Keeping House TN

James Gentry 18 M W TN

Elias Gentry 14 M W TN (*Elias A. Gentry, b. 5 September 1859, TN – d. 14 November 1881, buried in the Dodson Chapel Cemetery, Overton Co., TN. He married He married Sarah Catherine Hanna Miranda Emeline Dodson (called Miranda)*)

Sarah Gentry 6 F W TN

Victoria Gentry 3 F W TN

Nancy Craig 18 F W Keeping House TN

Note: Elias Gentry was married to Sarah Catherine Hanna Miranda Emeline Dodson (called Miranda). Elias was killed in a log accident leaving Miranda and 2 little girls. Miranda was my great grandmother and I live on the farm she lived on.

Following the death of Elias, Miranda married Wm. Stanton Swallows and had more children.

Paula Swallows Stover in Overton Co, TN: information – September 2008.

Census Place: 1880 District 15, Putnam Co., Tennessee

Dwl: 100 Family: 100

Source: FHL Film 1255275 National Archives Film T9-1275 Page 134D

	Relation	Sex	Marr	Race	Age	Birthplace
Martin GENTRY	Self	M	M	W	61	TN

(*Martin B. Gentry, brother of Green Washington Gentry*)

Occ: Farming Fa: TN Mo: TN

Mrs. Martin GENTRY	Wife	F	M	W	51	TN (<i>Mary "Pollie" Peek Gentry</i>)
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Occ: Keeping House Fa: TN Mo: TN

Sarah GENTRY	Dau	F	S	W	17	TN
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Fa: TN Mo: TN

Matilda GENTRY	Dau	F	S	W	14	TN
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Fa: TN Mo: TN

Victoria GENTRY	Dau	F	S	W	7	TN
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Fa: TN Mo: TN

Census Place: 1880 Precinct 3, Blanco, Texas

Source: FHL Film 1255291 National Archives Film T9-1291 Page 346A

Dwl: 44 Family: 45

	Relation	Sex	Marr	Race	Age	Birthplace
G. W. GENTRY	Self	M	M	W	65	TN

Occ: Farmer Fa: TN Mo: --- *Green Washington Gentry*

Emaline GENTRY	Wife	F	M	W	55	TN
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Occ: Keeping House Fa: --- Mo: --- *Emeline (Conway) Gentry***Census Place: 1880 E.D. 35, 8th Precinct, Comanche, Texas**

Source: FHL Film 1255297 National Archives Film T9-1297 Page 159C

Dwl: 64 Family: 64

	Relation	Sex	Marr	Race	Age	Birthplace
John H. SIDES	Self	M	M	W	38	TX

Occ: Farmer Fa: NC Mo: NC (*John Henry Day Sides*)

Loo J. SIDES	Wife	F	M	W	37	TN
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Occ: Keeping House Fa: MS Mo: TN (*Louisa Jane Gentry, d/o Green Washington Gentry & Emeline Conway*)

Loo Emma SIDES	Dau	F	S	W	12	TX
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Occ: At Home Fa: TX Mo: TN (*Lee Emma Sides md Witt Levisay*)

John H. SIDES	Son	M	S	W	9	TX (<i>John H. Sides md Mary</i>)
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Fa: TX Mo: TN

Mary SIDES	Dau	F	S	W	6	TX
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Fa: TX Mo: TN

John REDWINE	Other	M	S	W	20	GA
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Occ: Farming Fa: GA Mo: GA

1900 census 7th Precinct, Comanche, Texas

Dwl: 56 Family: 60

John H. Sides Head 58 M W b. October 1841 Married (34 yrs. married) Farmer TX NC NC

Lou J. Sides Wife 58 F W b. March 1840 Married (34 yrs. married) (4 children born, 3 children living) TN AL TN

Emeline Gentry Mother-in-Law 76 F W b. January 1824 Widow (8 children born, 6 children living) TN NC TN

Grady Grainger Laborer 26 M W b. January 1874 Single Laborer Farm LA LA LA

1900 census 7th Precinct, Comanche, Texas

Dwl: 57 Family: 61

John H. Sides Head 29 M W b. December 1870 Married (3 yrs. married) Farmer TX TX TN

Mary R. Sides Wife 25 F W b. April 1875 Married (3 yrs. married) SC SC SC

Lola M. Sides Dau 2 F W b. April 1898 Single TX TX SC

Oscar E. Sides Son 7/12 M W October 1899 Single TX TX SC

Source: Volunteer Soldiers in the Cherokee War 1836-1839, 1995:

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GENTRY, GREEN W. 3 CORP AL ARMBRESTER'S CO – NORWOOD'S BTN AL MIL

GENTRY, JAINER PVT AL ARMBRESTER'S CO – NORWOOD'S BTN AL MIL

GENTRY, MARTIN B. PVT AL ARMBRESTER'S CO – NORWOOD'S BTN AL MIL

Witt Levisay

b. 1861

d. 1926

Wife: **Emma Gentry**

Buried: Rock Church Cemetery, Blanket, Brown Co., TX.

Emma (Sides) Levisay

b. 1868

d. 1956

Husband: **Witt Levisay**

Father: John Henry Day Sides

Mother: Louisa Jane Gentry

Buried: Rock Church Cemetery, Blanket, Brown Co., TX.

Minutes of the Circuit Court of Putnam County, TN 1842 - 1856, prepared by Tennessee Historical Records Survey Division of Community Service Program Work Projects Administration, Nashville, Tennessee, The Tennessee Historical Records Survey April 1941.

Note: Putnam County Circuit Court Minutes 1842-1856: Page numbers in this index refer to those of the original volume from which this copy was made. These numbers are carried throughout the copy within parentheses.

pg. 3: index: Gentry, Green Vs William Wilmoth, 54, 87, 99.

pg. 8: index: Gentry, Green W., 54, 87, 99, 100.

pg. 30: Monday 13th of March 1843: State of Tennessee - Be it remembered that at a Circuit Court began and held for the County of Putnam in the fourth Judicial Circuit of the State of Tennessee at "White Plains" in said County on Monday being the 13th day of March in the year of our Lord One Thousand Eight hundred and forty three and of the Independence of the United Sates the 67th year, present the Honorable Abraham Caruthers Judge of the Circuit Courts of Tennessee and of said Circuit*continues*.

pg. 35: (p-54) Green W. Gentry Vs William Wilmoth

CASE - This day came the parties by their attorlys this cause is continued as on affidavit (p-55) of the Defendant till next term of this court on cost of this term - it is therefore considered by the court that the plaintiff recover against the Defendant the cost of this term.

pg. 39: Wednesday March 15th 1843. Court met pursuant to adjournment present the Hon. Ab. Caruthers Judge Presiding & c.

pg. 50: Ordered that court adjourn till tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock. Ab. Caruthers.

Tuesday morning 9 o'clock. Court met pursuant to adjournment - present the Hon Abraham Caruthers Judge presiding.

pg. 55: (p-87) Green W. Gentry Vs William Wilmoth

CASE - This day came the parties by their attorneys William K. Bradford, William C. Bounds, Elijah Car, Edmond Stamps, Lawrence Byrne, Andrew Jackson, James Terry, Robert Officer, Lewis Bohannon. Joined upon their oath do say that they find the issue in favor of the plaintiff and assess his damages to seventy five Dollars accasioned by the slanderous words of the Defendant it is therefore considered by the court that the plaintiff Recover against the Defendant the said sum of seventy five Dollars and all costs by him about his suit in this behalf Expended.

pg. 62: Thursday Morning 13th July 1843. Court met according to adjournment, present the same Judge as on Yesterday.

Green W. Gentry Vs William Wilmoth

SLANDER - Came the parties and the defendant moved in arrest of judgment and filed his reasons and the same is continued on advisement.

1910 census Justice Precinct 7, Dist. #91, Travis Co., TX

Dwl: 96 Family: 96 Line: 80

Levi A. Gentry Head 59 M2 (36 yrs. married) Farmer TN AL TN

Verlidy Gentry Wife 56 F W M3 (36 yrs. married) (9 children born, 7 children living) Farm Laborer Home Farm TX NC AR

Thomas H. Gentry Son 25 M W Single Farm Laborer Home Farm TX TN TX

Minnie D. Gentry Dau 23 Div. F W (3 children born, 3 children living) Farm Laborer Home Farm TX TN TX

Emma L. Gentry Dau 21 Div. F W Farm Laborer Home Farm TX TN TX

Elda A. Gentry Son 16 M W Single Farm Laborer Home Farm TX TN TX

Rice F. Kalti (?) Granddaughter 2 F W Single TX OK TX

1920 census Midland Twp., Pontotoc Co., OK

Dwl: 139 Family: 139 Line: 65

L. A. Gentry Head 69 M W Married Laborer General Farm TN TN TN

Lida Gentry Wife 64 F W Married TX NC AR

Thomas H. Gentry Son 34 M W Widow Laborer General Farm TX TN TX

Elda Gentry Son 24 M W Married Laborer General Farm TX TN TX

Minnie Johnson Dau 32 F W Widow TX TN TX

Katy Johnson Granddaughter 12 F W Single OK OK TX

John H. Johnson Grandson 6 M W Single OK OK TX

Lena Simon Dau 28 F W Widow TX TN TX

Ida Simon Granddaughter 12 F W Single TX TX TX

Frank Simon Grandson 5 M W Single TX TX TX

Nola R____Granddaughter 4 ½ Single TX TX TX

Junita R____Granddaughter 1+ Single OK TX TX

Source: People who resided in Jefferson County, OK prior to statehood, by Sheridan Brandon Drowatzky. Thanks to Dick Samples who generously loaned me his copy of “**Jefferson County, Oklahoma, Family Histories**”: so I could create this file.

<u>Name:</u>	<u>DOB</u>	<u>DOD</u>	<u>DOA SETTLED</u>
HICKS, Jacob Felps	1858	1941	Bef. 1907 Ryan
HICKS, Josephine Gentry	1861	1937	Bef. 1907 Ryan

BURNET COUNTY, TX - OBITS: THE FAITH FAMILY

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January 22, 2000

Submitted by: jm

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THE FAITH FAMILY -- 1882

From the Vertical Files in the Herman Brown Free Library, Burnet, Texas.

The Faith Family, by Mrs. Viola Faith Hartley, of Marble Falls, and Mr. R. L. Faith of Granite Shoals. Undated.

John Newton and Addie Gentry Faith moved to Burnet County around 1882 from Commanche Texas.

They bought a farm in Smithwick on the Colorado river where they farmed and raised livestock.

He later operated a cotton gin. They were members of the Baptist Church. the house where they lived still stands North of 1431 highway in Smithwick, and is now occupied by the Jim Layton Cox family. A short time before his death, John Newton moved to the city of Burnet to operate a cotton gin there, while he kept the property at Smithwick. After John Newton died, March 24, 1910, his sons went back to operate the gin at Smithwick in season.

After her husband's death, Addie Faith lived at Burnet until the boys were grown, then lived with one or the other of them until she died on April 10, 1935. Both are buried in Odd Fellows cemetery at Burnet.

John Newton Faith was born near Macon, Georgia, November 28, 1855, to parents John Faith and Louvenia Annie Bell Redwine, who met and married in Murray County, Georgia (now Whitfield Co.) John's father was James Faith who was born in South Carolina, moved to Henry County Georgia before 1830 and on to Murray County in 1846. John's mother was born in North Carolina; her father Michael Redwine pioneered in Redwine's Cove, named for him.

John Newton migrated to Commanche County, Texas, while a single man, and there met and married Nancy Addaline (Addie) Gentry on July 7, 1878. Addie was born in Jackson County, Tennessee, September 1, 1855, to Green W. (Washie) Gentry (1814-1892) and Emmiline Conaway

(1824-1906). The Gentry family lived in Texas before and at the time of the marriage of John and Addie.

Children of John Newton and Addie Gentry Faith:

1. **John Oscar Faith**, born January 13, 1881, at Commanche, Texas, reared in Smithwick. Married **Mattie Stinnett** July 24, 1902. Graduated from Burnet High School in 1906.

Was the postmaster at Smithwick in 1907. Taught school at Lake victor, Oatmeal, and Doublehorn. Moved to Karnes County in 1910 where he practiced law for 55 years. He was County attorney 8 terms and mayor of Karnes city 10 years. He died in March 1966. Mattie died April 1962; both are buried at Karnes City.

Children of John Oscar Faith and Mattie Stinnett Faith:

(1) Viola, born August 4, 1903 at Smithwick; married Sam Hartley, who was born Feb 6, 1907. She was a school teacher and now lives at Marble Falls. Children: Michael Ray and Sammy Faye Hartley.

(2) Cecil Miles, born April 3, 1905 at Doublehorn; married Stella Wilbern June 11, 1933. She was born Dec 12, 1905. He was a schoolteacher and farmer. He died September 22, 1982.

Children: Pansy Dale Faith and Duane Wilbern Faith.

(3) Inez, born Oct 29, 1907 at Smithwick; married E.C. Harris, who was born June 1938, and who died Dec 24, 1965. Inez married second Roger Umphres, who was born Feb 16, 1915. She was a schoolteacher, now lives at Lampasas, Texas.

(4) Rudolph Luther, born Mar 15, 1912 in Runge, Texas; married Lorene Uptergrove, who was born July 31, 1914. He was a school teacher and farmer. Now lives at Granite Shoals.

Children: Mary Lucille, Evelyn Ruth, Dorothy Anne, Margaret Lane.

(5) Benjamin David, born May 4, 1914; married Helen Cloninger, who was born Mar 24, 1917. He was a civil service worker in the Pentagon in Washington DC. Now lives in Falls Church

VA. Children: John David and Judith Elaine

(6) Nora Estelle, born June 9, 1919 in Karnes City, Texas; married L.D. Kuhnel, who was born May 30, 1917. Nora is a music teacher living at Karnes City. Children: Clare Lynette, Kenneth Roy, and Rita Beth.

(7) Eunice Adelle, born Sept 21, 1921 in Karnes City; married John W. Jones, Jr.

Eunice is a housewife and lives at San Marcos, Texas. Children: Barbara, Jerrold A., Brenda, and John W. III.

2. **William Edgar**, born May 19, 1884. Graduated Burnet High School in 1906; married **Jesse Crow** at Smithwick. Taught school at Naruna, Pleasant Valley, Spring Creek, and Mahomet. Was pastor at Briggs Baptist Church in 1922. Children: J.N., Vera, Edwin, Melvin, Randall Lee, Edith, Lola, Beulah, Ina.

3. **Thomas Walter**, born June 18, 1887; died Oct 29, 1888.

4. **Joseph Ernest**, born Dec 5, 1889; reared in Smithwick. Served in U.S. Navy in WWI as 2nd class fireman on Battleship Texas. Day laborer in Marble Falls all his life; died Dec 11, 1961. Married **Tina Rowmeyer**: children, Merlene, Dwane, R.E., and Ernest Joe. Married second to Edna Becker; no children from this marriage.

5. **James Monroe**, born Nov 11, 1891; died in Flu epidemic of 1918. Married **Minnie James**. One child, Beatrice Faith.

6. **Otto Arthur**, born Jan 5, 1895 in Smithwick; married Angie **Boultinghouse**. Three boys died as infants. Otto served in the infantry in WWI; earned college degree at Sam Houston State; taught in rural schools in Karnes County. Was school superintendent at Reisel, Winters, and Bradshaw. Died in Waco Jan 6, 1979.

NAME: **Lewis P. Gentry**

DATE OF BIRTH: 4 December 1837

DATE OF DEATH: 6 April 1916

PLACE OF BIRTH: Putnam Co., TN

AGE: 78 yrs. 4 mths. 2 days

OCCUPATION: Farmer

SPOUSE: **Martha W. Buck**

ATTENDED BY: J. R. Storie, Cookeville, TN

CAUSE OF DEATH: "died at 5 a.m. of pneumonia & complications"

CEMETERY: Gentry Cemetery, Putnam Co., TN

FATHER: **William Gentry (William Henry "Billy" Gentry)**

PLACE OF BIRTH: TN

MOTHER: **Lucinda Conway**

PLACE OF BIRTH: TN

CERTIFICATE: 376

COUNTY: Putnam – Dist. 16

SEX/RACE/MARRIAGE: MWM

REGISTRAR: Abe Mitchell

UNDERTAKER: Fred Maxwell, Cookeville, TN

Notes from letters: Judy Ann Carr Randall, 20 February 2010: Audrey, I think the reason we struggle with our Gentry line is there is so much wrong information out there. I have figured out who one of the old letters was. It was George W. Gentry son of Martin B. Gentry. He is writing Louisa Sides and tells her the initials of his children. Letter enclosed. Sending a family history on Louisa Jane Gentry Sides. Obits of John Newton Faith...also obit for Chapman Fowler, husband of Tabitha Victoria. Church records of Love Cree Baptist Church enclosed as well. These records actually include Levi Allen, but they have transcribed Emeline incorrectly as Pauline. I have just recently found out there is an 1870 Overton Co. census on Green Washington and Emeline. It was misspelled Jentrey and is a real mess. Again Levi is listed, but this time he is incorrectly listed as a farm hand. Even so I learned that Joyner is still alive in 1870. This time Joiner is close to G. W. instead of Martin B. Martin B. Gentry was just home from the Civil War recovering from frost-bit in his eyes. This is probably why Green came back to Tennessee from Arkansas. See 1860 Arkansas census. This has been a real chase. Louisa Jane evidently went on to TX before the rest of the family. Who she went with we do not know.

I think I have located William Carlock and Sarah Elizabeth in Brown Co., TX 1880 both age 32 parents from TN. Aunt Sally Welch in the letters was Sarah Conway, b. 22 October 1804, a daughter of Thomas and Elizabeth Conway, and sister of Emeline Conway. Sarah married James Thomas Welch, b. 5 August 1805-(2 marriage records found for Levi Allen, 10-12-1890, Brunet Co., TX 30-1-1883, Lampassa, looks as if he and Verlidia married twice.

Letter #9, 1888: To Louisa (Gentry) Sides from George W. Gentry, s/o Martin B. Gentry. He is writing Louise Sides and tells her the initials of his children.

October 17, 1888 Lines from George Gentry to Louisa Sides to let you know that we are all well at this time and hope _____ letter and tell me whether (sic) I can rent a place out there or not. I want to know whether (sic) you raise any garden or not. I want to know About _____ and water tell me what a man follows to make a living and what we would get for our work today. I want to know whether (sic) you raise wheat or not. I want to leave here and I want to know About the _____ as high as you can tell me and the way to your house and depot and post and what it might cost me to get these. I have five Children living and to (sic) dead four boys and one girl _____ and W. A. Gentry and _____ Gentry, and M. E. Gentry and M. J. Gentry. So no more at this time

George Gentry

back your letter to Overton, Putnam Co Tennessee

October the 17. 1888
from George Gentry to Louisa Sides
to let you know that we are all
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any garden or not I want to know
About _____ and water tell me
what a man follows to make a living
and what we would get for our work
today I want to know whether (sic)
you raise wheat or not I want to
leave here and I want to know
About the _____ as high as you
can tell me and the way to your
house and depot and post

and what it would
cost me to get these
I have five children
living and to dead four
boys and one girl these
_____ and W. A. Gentry
and M. E. Gentry
and M. J. Gentry
So no more at this time
back your letter to Overton
Putnam Co Tennessee
George Gentry

Source: Family History Archives: 929.273 L579p

The Green Washington Gentry Family

Submitted by Sarah McCullough Potter

Green Washington Gentry born September 5, 1814 and **Emaline Conway** born January 17, 1824 were married January 15, 1840. Both of their families lived in the Overton-Putnam-Jackson Co., TN area. Although few records are available, Joiner Gentry is believed to be the father of Green Washington Gentry. Family documents note that he had a brother Martin Bartlett Gentry. His brother Martin is buried in Baxter, TN.

Emaline's father was Thomas Conway, a surveyor and large landowner, residing in Overton and Jackson Co., TN. His will probate is located in the Overton County Records. According to family history several of Emaline Conway's relations also came to Comanche County. The children of Green Washington Gentry and Emaline Conway were:

1. Louisa Jane Gentry, born April 2, 1841.
2. Thomas Marian Gentry, born January 11, 1844.
3. Rosanna "Rose" Gentry, born October 22, 1846.
4. Sarah Elizabeth Gentry, born December 27, 1848.
5. Levi Allen Gentry, born July 4, 1850.
6. Lousinda Emaline Gentry, born August 29, 1852.
7. Nancy Adline "Addi" Gentry, born September 1, 1855.
8. Tobitha Victoria Gentry, born December 19, 1857.
9. Molissa Josephine Gentry, born March 31, 1861.
10. Margaret Gentry, born January 1, 1866.

The Gentry family came from TN to TX after 1850, first stopping in Bastrop, TX where he is listed with a land patent in 1860, and then moving to Williamson County. The 1880 census shows Green and Emaline Gentry living in Blanco Co., TX. The Green Gentry family moved to Comanche/Brown Co. area to be near their daughter, Louisa Jane Gentry Sides. The 1900 U. S. Census shows Green W. Gentry and Emaline Gentry living in Comanche County, Precinct #7, near the J. H. D. Sides family. Green W. Gentry and his wife are buried in the Rock Church Cemetery at Blanket, TX along with most of the extended Sides families.

Note: Judy Ann Carr Randall: This omits the 1860 census Arkansas where Melissa Josephine was born. Also 1870 Gentry, Overton Co., TN census.

Source: Family History Archives: 929.273 L579p

The John Henry Day Sides Family

Submitted by Sarah McCullough Potter

John Henry Day Sides and **Louisa Jane Gentry** were married March 15, 1866 in Bastrop, Texas. They moved to Comanche County, Precinct 7, near Whitville where they raised their family. Their children, all born in Bastrop, Texas, are as follows:

1. **George Washington Sides**, born January 12, 1867 and died May 30, 1873.
2. **Lou Emma Sides**, born October 17, 1868 married **Pleasant Whitt Levisay**, and died June 24, 1956. They had three children: Jessie Maude, John, and George Raymond Levisay.
3. **John Henry "Bud" Sides**, born December 16, 1870, married **Mary Rebecca Lynch**, and died May 4, 1940. They had six children: Lola May, Oscar Evander, Lottie Louisa, Geneva Goldie, Velma Annie, John Wilmont, and Maudie Sides.
4. **Mary Emmie "Mollie" Sides**, born December 20, 1873 married **Pierce Kirkham**, had no children, and died June 29, 1899.

J. H. D. Side's father was **George W. Sides (Seitz)** a Moravian pioneer born November 8, 1800 in Friedland, North Carolina. He came to Texas in 1830 with his wife **Amely Mary Leonard**, who was born February 4, 1801 in North Carolina. He and his wife were fluent in both German and English. George Sides first settled near the Red River, and then in Beaufort, Williamson County, TX. According to Maude Levisay May's notes George Sides also lived in LaGrange for a period of time. Texas Land Office records show George Sides received a land patent in 1858 in Bastrop, Texas. In his old age George Sides moved to Whitville, Comanche Co. to be near the J. H. D. Sides family. George Sides is buried in the Rock Church Cemetery and his wife Amely Mary is buried in Beaufort, TX. Their children were:

1. **Richard Ellison Sides**, born March 23, 1826, North Carolina.
2. **Evy Elizabeth Sides**, born November 29, 1827, Louisiana.
3. **William O'Daniel Sides**, born October 29, 1829.
4. **George Washington Sides**, born June 17, 1831.
5. **Larkin Clark Sides**, b. December 5, 1833, Mississippi.
6. **Phillip Leonard Sides**, born May 29, 1837, Texas.
7. **John Henry Day Sides**, born October 21, 1841, Texas.

Extensive records of this family are documented in the book *Early American Families*, by Roxie Sides, in the Moravian Archives in Salem, NC.

Source: Family History Archives: 929.273 L579p

The Pleasant Whitt Levisay Family

Submitted by Sarah McCullough Potter, Granddaughter of Maude Levisay May.

Pleasant Whitt Levisay and **Lou Emma Sides** were married on August 12, 1888 in Comanche County. Both of their families were early Texas pioneers.

The Whitt Levisay family farmed 90 acres of land about one mile east of the historical McCreary home. Their first child, Jessie Maude Levisay passed along her fond girlhood memories of playing with one of her best friends, Maudie McCrary, and attending an Easter Egg Hunt at the McCrary home. Jessie Maude's brother John was one year old and received a prize for finding the fewest Easter eggs. She also recalled the Brysonville School, which was located in this area. Jessie Maude and John were born at their grandparent's home (J.H.D. Sides) in Blanket.

George Raymond, the third child of the family, was born after they moved to their last home in the Newburg community where they farmed several hundred acres and raised their family. Emma was an accomplished seamstress and had the ability to look at the picture of a dress, make a pattern, and sew beautiful clothes. She made the dresses that she and her daughter are wearing in the family portrait shown above. Both Emma and Maude were pianist, very artistic, and dedicated to preserving family history.

The children of Whitt and Emma Levisay married and continued to live near the family homestead at Newbur, Comanche Co., TX. Whitt, Emma, their children and grandchildren attended the historic South Leon Baptist Church at Newburg. Their children were:

1. **Jessie Maud Levisay**, born June 5, 1889 married **Herman Ritchie May** on September 3, 1916 and had one daughter, Jessie Marie, born June 13, 1917. Jessie married **Gayle McCullough** on November 24, 1938. They had three children, Sarah Lou, born November 1, 1944, Walter Gayle born October 18, 1948, and John Edward born September 11, 1956 who died in infancy.
2. **John Levisay**, born September 3, 1900 married **Ima Belle Weeks** on December 7, 1922. They had three children, Jack Norris born December 20, 1925, Betty Sue born April 11, 1931, who died in infancy, and Peggy Lou born October 3, 1934. Jack married Jane Dunn and had one son, Billy Jack "Jackie" on June 9, 1955. Peggy Lou married Walter Donald Robertson on July 17, 1955. They had three children, Ronald Whitney "Ronnie" born August 5, 1957 and died January 1, 1965, Brian Lee born January 10, 1961, and Lisa Rene born October 25, 1966.
3. **George Raymond Levisay**, born April 23, 1908 married **Lessie Louella Johnson** on October 6, 1928. They had one child, Charles Ray, born on October 20, 1935. Charles Ray married Glenda Kee on June 20, 1958 and had two children, Charles Glenn born April 10, 1959 and Kent Kee born July 21, 1960.

Source: Family History Archives: 929.273 L579p

The Esley Levisay Family

Submitted by Sarah McCullough Potter

Esley Levisay and **Marcia Brown Levisay** from McDonald, MO brought their family to TX in 1873. Esley and his family stopped for a few years in Washington Co., TX and then moved on to Comanche where they are found on the 1880 Comanche County U. S. Census Precinct 8, and Esley is noted to be a farmer. According to the notes of his great-granddaughter, Maude Levisay May, Esley became acquainted with the Mart Fleming family in Washington Co. and followed them to Comanche. Eudalia Nabors Wells mention in her book *Blazing the Way: Tales of Comanche Co. Pioneers*, that the father of Frank and Tom Levisay (Esley) Hauled water in barrels from the Ranger Springs six miles to the west of town of Comanche. Esley fought in the Civil War with a Missouri Regiment and his name is noted on the Confederate Veterans Marker in the Oakwood Cemetery in Comanche where he is buried.

Elsey Levisay, Whit Levisay's father, was born September 20, 1822 in Hawkins Co., TN. He married **Martha Marcia Brown**, born February 26, 1837 in Virginia. Esley and his family are shown in the Honey Creek Township, McDonald, MO on the 1860 U. S. Census. Their children were:

1. Calaway C. "Clint" Levisay, born March 18, 1855 in Hawkins Co., TN.
2. George C. Levisay, born November 18, 1857.
3. Pleasant Whitt Levisay, born February 25, 1860 in McDonald, MO.
4. Thomas Esley Levisay, born April 18, 1863 in McDonald, MO.
5. Sarah Lee Levisay, born November 16, 1866 in KY.
6. Frank Harrison Levisay, born October 5, 1872, TX,

Esley Levisay's parents, **Peter Livesay** and **Susannah Testerman**, migrated from West Virginia where they were born in Tennessee. After leaving WV they began to spell their name Levisay rather than Livesay.

Source: *Burnett Bulletin*, 31 March 1910 and Texas Death Certificate.

John Newton Faith (1855-1910): Husband of **Adeline Gentry**.

J. N. Faith Dead

The people of this community were deeply shocked last Thursday morning when it was announced that J. N. Faith had died early that morning of acute -indigestion.

He was up and about the day before, in apparently his usual health. The body was interred in the Odd Fellows' Cemetery.

Mr. Faith was an old citizen of this county, having until a few months ago resided for many years in the Smithwick community. About one year ago he bought the new gin at this place and later moved his family here.

Mr. Faith was a man of high moral worth. He was recognized by all who knew him as a citizen worthy of any community and the regret at his sudden death is general and genuine. He leaves a large family to mourn his death, to whom the *BULLETIN* extends condolence.

An obituary will be published later.

A CARD OF THANKS

We take this means of expressing our gratitude to the good people of Burnet, for their kindness during the sickness and death of our beloved husband and father. May the supreme arbiter of the destinies of men reward you liberally for this kindness.

Mrs. J. N. Faith,
Miss Pearl Wheeler,
___O. Faith,
W. E. Faith,
J. M. Faith,
A. O. Faith

Source: *Burnett Bulletin*, 30 March 1910 and Texas Death Certificate.

F. C. Fowler (1851-1930): Husband of Tabitha Victoria Gentry

F. C. Fowler was called by death at his home in this place last Thursday, March 13th, 1930. His funeral service was held at the First Baptist Church of this place and the body was interred in the Odd Fellows' Cemetery. Bro. Bryan, local Baptist pastor conducted the funeral services. The pallbearers were: Ed Green of Tow, E. C. Fowler of Marble Falls, Booth Green of Marble Falls, and Donald andHeine of Creedmore.

Mr. Fowler was born June 9th, 1851, in South Carolina. At an early age he moved with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Fowler to the Spice wood community in Burnet County. On September 19th, 1876, he was united in marriage to Miss Tabitha Gentry. She, with a granddaughter, Mrs. Robert F. Oland of San Antonio, and adopted son, W. H. Heine of Creedmore, survive him.

In 1891, Mr. Fowler, and family moved to the town of Burnet, where they resided until a few years ago when he and his wife moved to Lampasas, remaining there until about a year ago when they returned to Burnet.

The deceased was the soul of honor and never in his life intentionally wronged any person. "Uncle Chap" as he was affectionately known to both old and young at this place, leaves a name without a blemish and numerous friends to mourn his death. He joined the Baptist Church when seventeen year of age and during this almost four-score years of life lived as he thought a Christian should live.

The *BULLETIN* extends sympathy to the bereaved relatives.

Source: *Marble Falls Messenger*, 12 March 1917, transcribed by JoAnn Myers, July 2002, reformatted 2008.

Wiley Young Fowler (1825-1917): Father-in-Law of Tabitha Victoria Gentry.

UNCLE WILEY FOWLER

W.Y. Fowler, better known as "Uncle Wiley" died at his home in this city last Monday morning at an early hour. For several days his strength had been failing and his death was not unexpected, the body was carried to the Fowler Cemetery near Spice wood for interment Monday afternoon.

Mr. Fowler was born in Lawrence District, South Carolina, September 12th, 1825, where he grew to manhood. On March 23rd, 1848, he was married to Miss Mary Jane Yett. In 1854, Mr. and Mrs. Fowler, then young, happy, vigorous and full of ambition, moved to Texas and located near Spicewood, where he resided up to a few weeks ago, when he moved to town.

When the Civil War came on, Mr. Fowler responded to the call and enlisted under the Southern flag in Company B, 21st Texas Cavalry, where he did service for the cause he loved until he fell sick, was discharged and sent home. His bald head was one of the marks left by sickness and hardships. After he finally regained his health, he joined a frontier regiment known as the home guard. In this organization, he served until the close of the war. After that he turned his attention to affairs at home, and soon became a factor in the section which he helped to develop, and today, as evidence of his sound judgment more than half a century ago, his old home is in the midst of one of the most fertile and productive sections of Burnet county.

Mr. Fowler was one of the brightest Christian characters we have ever known. He was a man who died as he lived, an enthusiastic believer in the one true and living God. He was regarded as one of the closest Bible students this country has ever known, and his words of encouragement have been an inspiration to young ministers of the gospel on numerous occasions. Besides those associated with him in the church, his friends throughout this section were numbered by the hundreds. He has been a consistent member of and worker in the Baptist church since he was a lad of 14 years of age.

Uncle Wiley was the father of six children, all of whom survive him except, Mrs. F. P. Green (Mary Lou, who died in 1898). They are F. C. (Francis Chapman) Fowler of Lampasas, B. B. (Bob B.) and J. M. (Josiah M.) of Spicewood, Mrs. G. E. Green (Melicent Rebecca) and Miss Ada Fowler of this city.

The interment took place in the family burying ground near Spicewood last Monday afternoon. Many friends from the community were present to pay their last tribute of respect to a man they had known, loved and respected all these years. The funeral was conducted by Rev. W. R. Hornburg of this city. Rev. R. A. Mobley of Smithwick and Rev. J. Dodgen of Round Mountain. Long before his death he signified a desire for these preachers to attend his funeral. They each paid a fitting tribute to his memory.

This office extends sympathy to those who mourn the death of this good man at this time

Note: names enclosed by brackets (--) are not part of the original obituary, but were added by the transcriber for information. For more information about this family, see *Burnet County History, Vol. II*, page 96.

JOINER GENTRY ANALYSIS OF DATA:

1. In 1816 Joiner owned land in Jackson Co., TN. References made to improvements by Joiner.
Journal of Gentry Genealogy Vol 3 Issue 9 2003 References Betty Huff Bryant "Building Neighborhoods Jackson Co. TN. Prior to 2820" Abstractions from group 50 Early Land Records Tennessee State Library and Archives – 1992.
2. In 1820 Joiner (misspelled Jiner) White Co., TN. Census showing 3 males under 10, this would have fit both Martin B. and Green W. Gentry.
2. 1831 Land record for Joiner Gentry Jackson Co. Ala.
3. 1836 Cherokee Indian War Ala. Joiner-Martin B. and Green Washington (same regiment).
4. 1840 Jackson Co. Ala. Census – 2 males 20 to 30. This again fits birth dates.
5. 1850 Overton Co., TN, Census Joiner 56, Nancy, 45, Martha, 18, Nancy, 16-ov-488-72 Bear creek.
1850 Overton Co., TN, Census Martin B. 31 ov-488-72 Bear creek.
6. 1860 Putnam Co., TN, P. O. Bear creek 442/442 James (Jomer misspelled) 65 male carpenter TN.
7. 1860 M. B. Gentry P. O. Bear creek 441/441 carpenter
8. 1870 no Joiner died before 1870
9. 1870 Martin B. Gentry, 48, Putnam Co., TN.

GENTRY FAMILY. By Harlon Wells, gg grandson of **Green Washington Gentry**, prepared in 1995.
(papers of **Judy Ann Carr Randall**)

The first reference to the Gentry family in Texas comes indirectly through the 1880 census of Comanche County. **Louisa Jane Gentry**, oldest **child of G. W. and Emeline**, married **John H. Sides**. In 1880 they listed three children, the oldest 12 years old and born in Texas. Therefore, **Louisa Jane** was in Texas as early as 1868, while her parents were still in Tennessee. Next is a reference to **V. T. Fowler (Tabitha Victoria Gentry)** in the records of Love Creek Church of Christ in Burnet County. She was received into the church by letter in

May 1876 and was still a member in 1886. (Among the founders of this church were **W. Y. (Wiley) Fowler** and **M. J. Fowler**. **Wiley Fowler** was the father of **Francis Chapman Fowler**. In 1877, a year after **Tabitha Fowler** joined the Love Creek church, her sister **Josafine** was married in Blanco County, just south of Burnet County, to **J. F. Hicks**. At the time of the 1880 census, **J. F. and Josafine Hicks** were living in Blanco county next door to **G. W. and Emeline Gentry**. Meanwhile, in Comanche County on July 7, 1878, **Nancy Addaline “Addie” Gentry** married **John Newton Faith**.²²

The old family story told by **Addie Gentry** was that while she was visiting her sister, she met J. N. Faith, who was employed by her brother-in-law. We somehow assumed that the sister was **Tabitha Fowler**, but it seems more likely that **Addie** was visiting **Louisa Jane Sides**, who lived in Comanche County. **J. N. and Addie** remained in Comanche County, where they are listed in the 1880 census and where in 1882 their oldest child, **John Oscar Faith**, was born.²³

From 1880 until 1906, the Gentrys can be traced through mention in the Love Creek Church records, Burnet County courthouse records, and the 1900 U. S. Census. On December 17, 1881, **Emeline Gentry** was received into Love Creek church by letter from Grape church (probably in Blanco County).

Her letter was granted back to her on October 18, 1884, signifying that she was leaving the area and would move her letter to another church. Other family members were received into the church during this three-year period. In April 1883, “sister **N. A. Faith** presented a letter Millers Creek Church, Blanco Co., Texas”, indicating that **J. N. and Addie Faith** had come to Burnet County from Comanche County. (They had apparently not been in church while they lived in Comanche County. 1883 was also the year when **J. N. Faith** bought some land in Burnet County.) In July of the same year, **J. N. Faith** was baptized, and they were both listed in the membership roll of 1886. Also in July 1883, **M. J. and J. F. Hicks (Malissa Josefine Gentry and husband)** were baptized, then granted letters of dismissal from the church.

Another Gentry joined Love Creek Church. In November 1881, **Levi Gentry** was received by letter, but in May 1882, he asked for a letter of dismissal, which was granted. It’s too bad that church records aren’t more specific, for the following entry appeared on March 23, 1889. “Charges of general un-Christian conduct preferred against Bro. Levi Gentry who holds a letter of dismissal from this church. Charges sustained and fellowship withdrawn. Brethren **F. C. Fowler and H. N. Faith** was (sic) appointed as a committee to wait on Bro. **Gentry** and demand the surrender of said letter to the church.” And on April 27, 1889, “The letter of Bro. **Levi Gentry** returned to the church.” Notice that the committee consisted of **Levi Gentry’s** two brothers-in-law. We have no further record of **Levi Gentry**, but these records confirm that Gentry sisters **Addie** and **Tabitha** remained in Burnet County through the 1880s.

After **Emeline Gentry** was granted her letter of dismissal in 1884, she and **Washie** moved to Comanche County. The tax receipt from the family Bible places them there in 1889. **G. W.** is in a land sales records in 1891, and he died in November 1892.²⁴ **Emeline** stayed on in Comanche County, listed with her daughter **Louisa Jane Sides** in the 1900 census. She died June 24, 1906.²⁵ **Green Washington** and **Lucinda Emeline Gentry** are buried at Rock Church in Logan Valley Cemetery, Blanket, Comanche County, Texas.²⁶

In summary, it appears that the oldest daughter of the family, **Louisa Jane**, preceded the rest of the family to Texas, settling and staying in Comanche County. When **G. W. and Emeline** arrived, they went to Blanco County first. From there, their daughter **Tabitha** met and married into a Burnet County family. Later **G. W. and Emeline** moved to Burnet County, then to Comanche County. **Addie Gentry** met **John Newton Faith** in Comanche County; there is no evidence that he was ever in Burnet County before this time. This is where our Gentry line ends. Of the ten children of **G. W. and Emeline**, only two were male. We do not have any record of them past what is written here. Neither was listed in the Texas census index of 1900. Maybe they will turn up later.

Notes: 1870 census, Overton Co., TN: **G. W. Jentry**. 1900 census **Emeline** is living with daughter **Lousia Sides**.

²²Original marriage license owned by R. L. Faith

²³Autobiography of John Faith

²⁴Tombstone

²⁵Copy of Death Record

²⁶Tombstone

Source: **The Baptist Church of Christ at Love Creek, Burnet Co., TX:** Herman Brown Free Library, Vertical File: Transcribed by Edna Cheatham, October 2009.

Constitution of Church: Sundrey Brethren and Sisters living in the neighborhood of Love Creek, Burnet Co., Texas, holding letters and other evidence of Church membership; having intimated to us their desire to be organized into a Church of Christ, to keep the Ordinances as they have been delivered by our Devine Master; we did, after examining their respective claims to membership, recognize them as fit subjects for a Gospel Church, and in testimony of the same extended to them the right hand of Church Fellowship and recognition; their basis of organization resting upon the New Testament “Scriptures” as construed by the Articles of Faith of the Austin Association, as recorded in this book.

Date: Sept 20th, 1856.

Names of Members in Organization:

Males: S. F. Moore, **W. Y. Fowler**, Joseph Bird

Females: R. C. Moore, **M. J. Fowler**, Mary P. Turner, Mary J. Burnes, Eliza Bird.

List of Male Members – 1882:

W. Y. Fowler, received by Letter Sept 1856/Deacon.

F. C. Fowler, received by Experience of Baptism Nov 1869.

G. E. Green, ditto June 1870

Bob B. Fowler, ditto Nov 1871; excluded May 1879; restored Oct 1881.

John Stroup, received by letter May 1879; dismissed by letter July 1880.

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