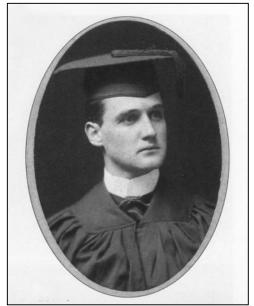
DR. LUTHER FREEMAN

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In 1905 Dr. Luther Martin Freeman graduated from the University of Tennessee Medical School in Nashville. He came to Granville on horseback in 1906 to set up his practice. He married local girl Ethel Maddux and settled into the community. Dr. Freeman practiced medicine until shortly before his death at the age of 94. He performed dual roles in the community, as he was also Granville's longest-serving postmaster.

Picture from the book: Images of America Granville, TN by The Granville Museum, Inc., pg. 75.

Many Death Certificates have the attending doctor as L. M. Freeman, M. D. He was the attending doctor to many people that are interred in the Smellage Cemetery, Boma, Putnam Co., TN.

LUTHER M. FREEMAN SERVICES HELD

Nashville Banner, TN 6 November 1973

COOKEVILLE: Dr. L. M. Freeman, 94, a practicing physician in Granville for 67 years, died Monday in a Cookeville hospital.

Services will be at 2 Wednesday at Hooper-Huddleston Funeral Home with burial in Maddux Cemetery.

Dr. Freeman began his practice in 1906.

A member of the Church of Christ, Freeman was secretary-treasurer of the Upper Cumberland Medical Association, a member of the American Medical Association's 50-Year Club, the Putnam County, 5 County and the Tennessee Medical Association.

His wife, Mrs. Ethel Maddux Freeman, died in 1970.

Survivors include a daughter, Mrs. Eliza Freeman Thompson, Granville; a grandson and 2 great grandchildren.

MRS. FREEMAN SERVICES SET AT 2 WEDNESDAY

Nashville Banner, TN 17 March 1970, pg. 27

COOKEVILLE: Services for Mrs. Ethel Maddux Freeman, 84, will be at 2 Wednesday at the Granville Methodist Church with burial in Maddux Cemetery, Smith County. The body is at Hooper-Huddleston Funeral Home, Cookeville.

The Rev. James Reed Cox and the Rev. Weldon H. Harris will officiate.

Mrs. Freeman died Monday at her home in Granville following a long illness.

Her husband Dr. L. M. Freeman is a well-known Middle Tennessee physician.

A native of Tennessee, she was a daughter of the late Robert and Martha Stanton Maddux.

Survivors in addition to her husband include a daughter, Mrs. Paul Thompson, Cookeville; 1 grandson and 2 grandchildren.

PAUL MARTIN THOMPSON OBT.

Herald Citizen, Cookeville, TN 20 December 1974

COOKEVILLE: Funeral services for Paul Martin Thompson, 32, of Jere Whitson Road in Cookeville, are to be held at 1:00 tomorrow in the chapel of Hooper-Huddleston Funeral Home.

Burial will take place in the Maddux Cemetery on the Freeman farm near Granville which is the home of Thompson's parents.

Officiating at tomorrow's service will be Rev. Ron West, pastor of First United Methodist Church and Rev. Andrew Albert.

Thompson died early Wednesday as the result of injuries suffered when he was struck by an automobile in Memphis Saturday night.

Survivors include his parents, Paul M. Thompson and Liza Freeman Thompson, his wife, the former Sue Seehorn, originally of Newport, TN and 2 children, Annette, 10, and Robert, 5.

ELIZA MADDUX FREEMAN THOMPSON OBT.

Herald Citizen, Cookeville, TN 9 April 1984

COOKEVILLE: Funeral services for Mrs. Eliza Maddux Freeman Thompson, 74, will be conducted at the Granville Methodist Church Monday at 2:00 with the Rev. Maurice Moore, Rev. Lexie Freeman, and Rev. Andrew Albert officiating.

Mrs. Thompson, a resident of the Granville community, died April 7, 1984 following an extended illness.

She was a native of Putnam County, daughter of the late Dr. L. M. and Ethel Maddux Freeman, and was a retired teacher and homemaker.

Her family includes her husband, Paul Thompson of Granville, a daughter-in-law, Sue Thompson of Cookeville and 2 grandchildren, Annette and Robert Thompson of Cookeville.

Burial will be in the Maddux Cemetery.

Active pallbearers are Tommy Maddux, Ralph Maddux, James Lee Wrights, Odell Huddleston, Jeff Reagan, and Dr. Jack Johnson.

Hooper-Huddleston Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

ROBERT STANTON FREEMAN OBT.

Herald Citizen, Cookeville, TN Tuesday, 12 February 1968

Funeral services for Robert Stanton Freeman, 51, were held Saturday at the Granville Methodist Church at 1:30 with Rev. James Reed Cox and Rev. Weldon Harris officiating. Burial was in the Maddux Cemetery in Putnam County.

Mr. Freeman, son of Dr. and Mrs. Luther M. Freeman, who survive, was a native of Putnam County and was a resident of the Granville community. He was a farmer and attended Tennessee Tech.

His death occurred Friday in a Nashville hospital following a long illness.

Beside his parents, he is survived by his widow, Mrs. Geraldine McDonald Freeman; sister, Mrs. Paul Thompson, Cookeville.

Hooper-Huddleston Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Census Place: 1880 E.D. 69, Macon Co., Tennessee

Source: FHL Fil	m 12552	70 Natio	nal Arch	ives Film	T9-1270	Page 20C
	Relation	Sex	Marr	Race	Age	Birthplace
Thomas FREEMAN	Self	M	M	W	25	TN
Occ: Farming	Fa: TN	Mo: TN				
Eliza FREEMAN	Wife	F	M	W	22	TN
Occ: House k	Keeping	Fa: VA	Mo: TN			
Dudley R. H. FREEMAN	Son	M	S	W	3	TN
	Fa: TN	Mo: TN				
Luther M. FREEMAN	Son	M	S	W	1	TN
	Fa: TN	Mo: TN				

1900 census 1st Civil Dist. Macon Co., TN

Dwl: 93 Family: 94

Freeman, Thomas E. Head 43 M W b. November 1854 Married (24 yrs. md) Farmer TN TN TN **Freeman, Eliza** Wife 42 F W b. April 1858 Married (24 yrs. md) (5 children born, 5 children living) TN TN TN

Freeman, Luther Son 21 M W b. January 1879 Single TN TN TN Freeman, Garfield Son 18 M W b. September 1881 Single TN TN TN Freeman, Chester H. Son 12 M W b. March 1888 Single TN TN TN Freeman, Arta Dau 15 F W b. May 1895 Single TN TN TN

1900 census 12th Civil Dist. Macon Co., TN

Dwl: 108 Family: 108

Maddux, Martha Head 48 F W b. March 1852 Widow (4 children born, 3 children living) TN TN TN (*Elizabeth Jane Garrett md Thomas Jefferson Maddux*)

Maddux, Thomas Son 21 M W b. August 1878 Married 10/12 Farmer TN TN TN

(Thomas Jefferson Maddux md Margaret Medora "Maggie" Burton)

Maddux, Maggie Daughter-in-Law 21 F W b. May 1879 Married 10/12 (no children) TN TN TN

Maddux, Ethel Dau 16 F W b. October 1883 Single TN TN TN

(Ethel Fredonia Maddux, b. 14 October 1886 – d. 16 March 1970 md 9 June 1907, Dr. Luther M. Freeman, b. 13 January 1879 – d. 5 November 1973)

Maddux, Lucile Niece 8 F W b. December 1891 Single TN TN TN

Hogan, Henry Lodger 18 M W b. January 1882 Single Farm Laborer TN TN TN

1910 census 10th Civil Dist., Putnam Co., TN

Dwl: 150

Freeman, Luther M. Head 31 M W M1 (3 yrs. md) Physician General Doctor TN TN TN

(Luther M. Freeman, s/o Thomas E. & Eliza Freeman)

Freeman, Ethel F. Wife 26 F W M1 (3 yrs. md) (1 child born, 1 child living) TN TN TN

Freeman, Eliza Dau 10/12 FW Single TN TN TN

Maddux, Martha Mother-in-Law 58 F W Widow TN TN TN

(Martha (Stanton) Maddux, w/o Robert Fain Maddux)

Terry, Alice Lodger 14 F W Single TN US US

1920 census 10th Civil Dist., Martin's Creek, Putnam Co., TN

Dwl: 1

Freeman, Luther M. Head 45 M W Married Farmer General Farm TN TN TN

Freeman, Ethel F. Wife 40 F W Married TN TN TN age incorrect.

Freeman, Eliza Dau 8 F W Single TN TN TN

Freeman, Robert Son 6 M W Single TN TN TN (Robert Stanton Freeman md Geraldine McDonald)

Maddux, Martha Mother-in-Law 58 F W Widow TN TN TN age incorrect.

(Martha (Stanton) Maddux, w/o Robert Fain Maddux)

1930 census 10th Civil Dist., Martin's Creek, Putnam Co., TN

Dwl: 35

Freeman, Luther M. Head 49 M W Married (26 yrs. old 1st marriage) Doctor Medical TN TN TN

Freeman, Ethel F. Wife 44 F W Married (21 yrs. old 1st marriage) TN TN TN

Freeman, Eliza Dau 20 F W Single TN TN TN

Freeman, Robert S. Son 13 M W Single TN TN TN

Source: Randall Clemons

Granville is located two miles from the Putnam County line so all of our doctors have practiced in Putnam County.

Dr. Luther Martin Freeman - Graduated from University Tennessee Medical School and immediately started his practice in Granville in 1906. In 1907 he married Ethel Maddux and they lived in her family home which is in Putnam County two miles from Granville. His doctors office is still in Granville beside the Granville Museum. He was the longest serving postmaster of Granville as well. He practiced until his death in 1973 at age 94. His office has been preserved with a monument and the bridge in Granville is named in his honor.

The other doctors who have practiced in Granville are **Dr. William B. Holmes** in the early 1800's and then his two son-in-laws practiced by the name of **Dr. William Burchett Page** and **Dr. Benjamin Lewis Simmons Jr.** Dr. Page practiced in Granville all his life and Dr. Simmons later went to Nashville to practice. **Dr. Albert Allison Ferrell** practiced in Granville from the late 1800s until his death in 1905. His

home still stands behind the museum. Dr. Hugh Brown Smith practiced in Granville in the early 1900's and moved to Nashville in 1918.

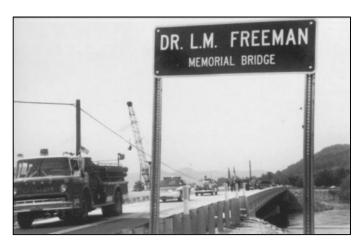
You can see for a small community that we have a strong medical history. We don't have a copy of Dr. Dudney report that we can send to you. We would be honored to have you in Granville for our big fall events on the first Saturday of October where we will have Jazz on the Cumberland, Granville Quilt Festival and our fall Storytelling Festival. I will put you on our mailing list. We are open at the museum on Friday and Saturday from 12:00 to 3:00.

Thanks for your interest Randall Clemons



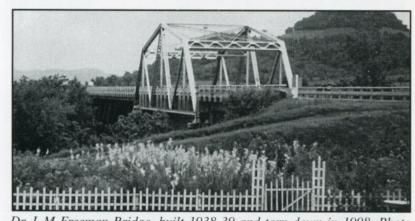
The State of Tennessee replaced the wooden bridge in 1939 with an iron bridge. For almost 60 years, this bridge carried traffic on State Highway 53. In January 1975, the bridge was named for Dr. Luther M. Freeman, a local doctor who delivered babies and served the community from 1912 until just before his death in 1973.

Picture from the book: Images of America Granville, TN by The Granville Museum, Inc., pg. 13.



In 1997, the State declared the iron bridge unsafe and replaced it with a new bridge, the first in Tennessee to use high-density steel designed to reduce costs. A dedication for the new bridge, which still bears the name of Dr. Freeman, include the parade seen above, led by local fire and police vehicles, on May 23, 1998.

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Dr. L.M Freeman Bridge, built 1938-39 and torn down in 1998. Photo taken from yard of Bill and Lois Cornwell, now Granville Veterans Park.

Picture of bride, pg. 74 & Dr. Luther Freeman & James Frank Williamson, pg. 193: Jackson County Tennessee, 1801 – 2001, Bicentennial Pictorial History by the Jackson County Historical Society.



Dr. Freeman (left) and James Frank Williamson (right) of the Granville Community.

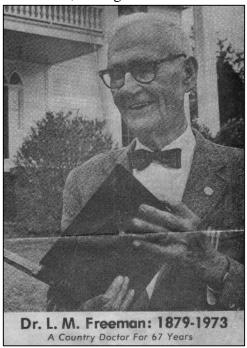
*See Maddux graveyard – Virtual cemetery: http://www.ajlambert.com

SERVICES WEDNESDAY FOR GRANVILLE'S DR. FREEMAN

A Country Doctor For 67 Years Herald-Citizen, Cookeville, TN: Tuesday 6 November 1973

Dr. Luther Martin "L. M." Freeman, who lived in the Martin's Creek area of western Putnam County near Granville and was perhaps the oldest physician in the Upper Cumberland, died Monday at Cookeville General Hospital after a brief illness.

He was 94, having been born in Macon County January 13, 1979.



Funeral services for Dr. Freeman will be held here at 2 p.m. Wednesday in the chapel of Hooper & Huddleston Funeral Home.

Until two weeks before his death, Dr. Freeman maintained an office at Granville where he had practiced for 67 years.

The son of the late Thomas E. and Eliza Krantz Freeman, Dr. Freeman attended Macon County schools, received his medical degree from the University of Tennessee School of Medicine in 1905 and opened his Granville office in 1906.

In 1907, he married the former Ethel Maddux who died in 1970.

In 1935 Dr. Freeman did postgraduate work at the

Vanderbilt University medical school.

He was a member of the Church of Christ, secretary and treasurer of the Upper Cumberland Medical Society, member of the American Medical Association, the Putnam County Medical Society, the Five-County Medical Society, a veteran of the Tennessee Medical Association, a member of the 5-Year Club of the American Medical Association, a 32nd degree Mason and a Shriner.

Survivors include a daughter, Mrs. Eliza Freeman Thompson; a grandson, Paul Martin Thompson; and two great-grandchildren, Annette and Robert Thompson, all of Cookeville.

Dr. Freeman's body is at his Granville home and will be there until 9 a.m. Wednesday, when it will be returned to the funeral home prior to services.

Burial will be in Maddux Cemetery, Granville. Members of the Upper Cumberland Medical Society will serve as pallbearers.