## **JOHN ARMSTRONG BURCH (#646)**

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Pgs. 240 & 241 – John Armstrong Burch was born 19 September 1870 in Gilmore County GA to William Burch and Elizabeth Evans. He married 25 December 1895 in Putnam County, TN, Eura Helen Farmer, daughter of Dr. William M. Farmer and Maranda Ada Smellage. Eura was born 17 August 1879.

In the 1900 Putnam County Census, 9<sup>th</sup> Dist., John's sisters, Emma Burch is shown to be living with him and a school teacher. Later in Putnam County, TN, John's sister Sallie Elizabeth Burch born 1881/82 in AL marries Lucillous Constant Gentry on 20 February 1910. He is the son of Silas Henry Gentry and Mary Roberts Maxwell.

By 1905, John and his family have moved to Paden, OK where they lived until he died in 1930 and Eura Helen in 1972. John worked as a salesman and taught school. Eura Helen was a homemaker.

The children of John and Eura are Pauline (August 1897 – before 1910), William Jefferson (25 August 1900 – 1935, OK), Marie B. (23 September 1908 in OK – 21 December 1986 in OK); Joel W. (1 June 1909 in OK – 30 August 1975 in CA), Woodrow (1913 in OK – after 1920 in OK), Florence (11 June 1918 – still living).

Story submitted by Penny Giacoletti.

\*See Descendants of John Armstrong Burch & Buffalo Valley Historical Home at:

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Eura Helen Farmer Burch. Eura is the d/o Dr. William Farmer & Maranda Smellage.



Right: Eura Helen (Farmer) Burch, her daughter Marie Burch and son William Burch. Left: (woman with hat, Emma (Burch) Medley, her sister-in-law and great grandmother of Penolope "Penny" Giacoletti and behind her in the white shirt and tie is Penny's grandfather, Irma Jack Medley.