

MARY MYRTLE (JONES) JARED (#738)

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Pg. 269: Mary Myrtle Jones Jared (or 'Miss Myrtle,' as she was known by most) was born on August 14,



1891 to David Little and Lucy Montgomery Jones in Denver, Colorado. By the age of twelve, she was an accomplished seamstress, and at that young age, she was clothing her entire family. On August 9, 1908, she married James "Bersh" Jared of Putnam County, and they had two children, Mina Opal (born 1911) and David Frank (born 1912). When her husband was permanently hospitalized after being struck by lightning, neighbors urged Miss Myrtle to get an annulment and find another husband to support her and the children. She balked at the suggestion, saying that she already had a husband and would manage somehow on her own.

Though sheer resourcefulness and determination, Miss Myrtle single-handedly provided a reasonably comfortable life for her family, even managing small luxuries like music and art lessons for the children. Drawing upon the most available of her abilities, she began taking in sewing to earn money and also took a job doing clothing alterations at McDearman Williams. Her incomparable work ethic was evident in everything she did, and so determined was she to support her family that she never slept more than hour hours a night.

In 1932, she won her first automobile in a contest sponsored by the Putnam County Herald in which she sold the most newspaper subscriptions. She named the car "Liza" and then met the challenge of learning to drive. One year later, she won another car in the very same contest, which sparked complaints from other contestants, but Miss Myrtle was allowed to keep her prize.

An exceptional business-woman, as well as a wonderful cook, she later opened multiple restaurants in Cookeville, the last and most popular being the Campus Grill on the corner of Dixie Avenue and East 8th Street. She served daily lunch specials along with a menu of delicious made-to-order food, and her fare was popular with the college students and adults alike. She remained successfully in business there until she passed away on May 7, 1965.

The most remarkable thing about Miss Myrtle, other than her exceptional drive, is the fact that she succeeded in a period when women did not have careers, much less own the businesses. She is remembered today by those who knew her not just for her many accomplishments, but also for her kindness to those she could help...and a little push for those who needed it.

Story submitted by: David J. Shipley. Source: Bible records and family knowledge.

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John Jared (Rev'l War), the wagonmaker md Hannah Whitacre = (Chapter 8)
William Jared (Rev'l War) (1758-1827) md Elizabeth Raulsten (1770-1835) =
William James Jared (1841-1919) md Elizabeth Frances "Betty" Huddleston (1845-1925) = (Chapter 8)
James Beersheba "Bersh" Jared (1886-1965) md Mary Myrtle Jones (1891-1965)

Cookeville City Cemetery, Cookeville, Putnam Co., TN

*James Beersheba "Bersh" Jared, b. 27 April 1886 – d. 16 September 1965

*Mary Myrtle (Jones) Jared, b. 14 August 1891, Denver, CO – d. 7 May 1965

David Frank Jared, b. 21 November 1912 – d. 4 June 1954, s/o James Beersheba "Bersh" Jared & Mary Myrtle Jones.

Opal (Jared) Gay Childs Obt.

b. 10 June 1911, Putnam Co., TN – d. 1 October 2010, Cookeville, TN, md **David George Gay**, b. 26 April 1900 – d. 19 April 1957 – md **G. Felton Childs**. Opal (Jared) Gay Childs, d/o **James Beersheba “Bersh” Jared & Mary Myrtle Jones**. **David George Gay**, buried in Cookeville City Cemetery.

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COOKEVILLE -- Graveside services for Opal Jared Gay Childs, 99, of Cookeville, will be held at 2 p.m. today, Sunday, Oct. 3, at Cookeville City Cemetery.

There will be no visitation at the funeral home, visitation will be at the cemetery following the services.

Mrs. Childs died Friday, Oct. 1, 2010, in NHC Healthcare of Cookeville.

She was born June 10, 1911, in Putnam County to the late James Beersheba (Bersh) and Mary Myrtle Jones Jared.

Mrs. Childs was a retired bookkeeper and a member of Cookeville First United Methodist Church.

Her family includes a daughter and son-in-law, Betty and Dr. William T. Shipley of Cookeville; a son and daughter-in-law, Dr. W. Don and Brenda Gay of Grover, Mo.; four stepsons and stepdaughters-in-law, Sam and Alice Childs of Coopertown, William (Bill) and Leslie Childs of Soddy Daisy, Frank and Carol Childs of Huntsville, Ala., and James Felton Childs of Camden, S.C.; 19 grandchildren; and 18 great-grandchildren.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husbands, David George Gay and G. Felton Childs, and a brother, David Frank Jared.

Pallbearers will be family and friends.

Memorial donations may be made to Cookeville First United Methodist Church.

Revs. Max Mayo and Drew Shelley will officiate at the services.

Hooper-Huddleston & Horner Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements, (931) 526-6111.

You may share your thoughts and memories at www.hhhfunerals.com.

Herald Citizen Newspaper, Cookeville, TN: 2 October 2010

James Beersheba “Bersh” Jared

b. 27 April 1886, TN – d. 16 September 1965, md 9th of August 1908 to **Mary Myrtle (Jones) Jared**, b. 14 August 1891, TN – d. 7 May 1965, d/o **David Little Jones & Lucy Montgomery**. James Beersheba Jared, s/o **William James Jared & Elizabeth “Betty” Frances Huddleston**.

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(1900 census 1st Civil Dist., Putnam Co., TN: Dwl: 74 – **William Jared** is head of household, 59 yrs. old, b. June 1840, TN, md 34 yrs. to **Elizabeth F.**, 43 yrs. old, b. July 1845, TN, 6 children born, 2 children living. Children: Valley, 16 yrs. old, b. August 1883, TN & **Birch Jared**, 14 yrs. old, b. April 1886, TN).

(1900 census 12th Civil Dist., Putnam Co., TN: Dwl: 69 – **David Jones** is head of household, 37 yrs. old, b. December 1862, TN md 12 yrs. to **Lucy**, 27 yrs. old, b. September 1872, TN, 4 children born, 4 children living. Children: **Myrtle**, 7 yrs. old, b. August 1892; Stillman, 5 yrs. old, b. November 1894; Willie B., 3 yrs., b. April 1897 & David C. Jones, 1 yr. old, b. April 1899. All born in TN. Also living in the household: William R. Jones, father, 78 yrs. old, b. March 1822, TN, widow, md 26 yrs. William Montgomery, father-in-law, 77 yrs. old, b. December 1822, TN, widow. Green Sadler, lodger, black male, 22 yrs. old, b. January 1878, TN).

(1910 census 12th Civil Dist., Putnam Co., TN: Dwl: 69 – **David L. Jones** is head of household, 52 yrs. old, TN, md 20 yrs. to Lucy, 68 yrs. old, TN, 5 children born, 5 children living. Children: Stellman, 15 yrs. old; Willie, dau., 13 yrs. old; Farmer, 10 yrs. old; Dimple L., 8 yrs. old & **Myrtle**, dau., 19 yrs. old, md 2 yrs. to **James B. Jared, son-in-law**, 23 yrs. old. Also living in the household: **William Montgomery, father-in-law**, 87 yrs. old, widow. All born in TN).

David Little Jones

b. 25 December 1856, TN – d. 4 April 1938, md **Lucy (Montgomery) Jones**, b. 5 September 1869, TN - d. 5 June 1935, d/o **William & Lydia Montgomery**. David L. Jones, s/o **William & Sarah Jones**. (Children: Mrs. Myrtle Jared, Mrs. N. C. Johnson, Mrs. William H. (Willie Billye) Byrne, Stillman & Scott Jones).

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David L. Jones
 b. ----, TN
 d. 4 Apr 1938
 Age: 81y 3m 9d
 Father: William Jones, TN
 Mother: Unknown
 City Cemetery Putnam Co., TN
 DC #8405, Putnam Co., TN

Census Place: 1880 District 12, Putnam Co., TN

Source: FHL Film 1255275 National Archives Film T9-1275 Page 158C

Dwl: 142

	Relation	Sex	Marr	Race	Age	Birthplace
William JONES	Self	M	M	W	55	TN
	Occ:	Farmer	Fa: VA	Mo: ---		
Sarah JONES	Wife	F	M	W	46	TN
			Fa: TN	Mo: TN		
Ira JONES	Son	M	S	W	26	TN
	Occ:	Works On Farm	Fa: TN	Mo: TN		
David JONES	Son	M	S	W	23	TN
	Occ:	Works On Farm	Fa: TN	Mo: TN		
Fannie JONES	Dau	F	S	W	20	TN
			Fa: TN	Mo: TN		
James JONES	Son	M	S	W	18	TN
	Occ:	Works On Farm	Fa: TN	Mo: TN		
Riley JONES	Son	M	S	W	17	TN
	Occ:	Works On Farm	Fa: TN	Mo: TN		
Victoria JONES	Dau	F	S	W	9	TN
			Fa: TN	Mo: TN		
Samuel JONES	Son	M	S	W	7	TN
			Fa: TN	Mo: TN		

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(1920 census 1st Civil Dist., Jefferson St., Putnam Co., TN: Dwl: 228/380 - **David L. Jones** is head of household, 67 yrs. old, TN, Occupation: Carpenter House, md to **Lucy**, 47 yrs. old, TN. Children: Dimple, 18 yrs. old, TN & Willie Jones, 23 yrs. old, TN).

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	Relation	Sex	Marr	Race	Age	Birthplace
William MONTGOMERY	Self	M		W	54	TN
Occ:	Farmer	Fa: GA	Mo: KY			
Lydia MONTGOMERY	Dau	F	S	W	22	TN
	Fa: TN	Mo: TN				
Sarah MONTGOMERY	Dau	F	S	W	19	TN
	Fa: TN	Mo: TN				
Sintha MONTGOMERY	Dau	F	S	W	16	TN
	Fa: TN	Mo: TN				
William MONTGOMERY	Son	M	S	W	14	TN
Occ:	Works On Farm	Fa: TN	Mo: TN			
Alaska MONTGOMERY	Dau	F	S	W	12	TN
	Fa: TN	Mo: TN				
Robert C. MONTGOMERY	Son	M	S	W	10	TN
Occ:	At Home	Fa: TN	Mo: TN			
Lucy MONTGOMERY	Dau	F	S	W	7	TN
	Fa: TN	Mo: TN				