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The Anderson and the Austin families came into the beautiful green valley of the Lost Creek in southeastern White Co., TN in the early 1800's. *Zachariah Anderson (1789 – 1867) was a pioneer landowner, farmer, stock-raiser, and a Two-See-in-the-Spirit Baptist preacher. Politically, he was a Whig. His wife, Rebecca (England) Anderson, was the daughter of Aaron England, who moved here from North Carolina and helped lay out the town of Sparta.

Their son *John Milton Anderson (1815 – 1868) married Ann Eliza (Anderson) Anderson from Knox Co., TN (no relation). Among their children were: 1. Joel Tom Anderson, who married Elizabeth Austin, 2. Bob Anderson, 3. "Dutch" Anderson who married Elijah England, 4. Martha Anderson (1849 – 1927), who married William Bluford Austin (1847 – 1918); they moved to Texas and both are buried at Handley (near Fort Worth), Texas, 5. *William Pleasant Anderson (1842 – 1889), a Baptist and a cobbler (made shoes) who served in the Army of TN during the Civil War and played the bugle for his company; married Mary Elizabeth Austin. (See below).

John and *Nathaniel Austin were brothers who moved into Lost Creek in pioneer times. They and served other members of the Austin family are buried in the Austin Family Cemetery on the old plantation in the valley of the Lost Creek.

John Austin and his first wife, Rachel Denny Austin (d. 1818), were the parents of 1. William, (1803 – 1833), 2. Jude (1805 – 1825), 3. Tamsy, (1807 - ?) md a Haston, 4. Hannah (1809 – 1826), 5. James M. (1814 – 1889), 6. Elizabeth (1816?). After Rachel's death, John married Catherine Haston (d. 1843), and they had 8. Pleasant (1820 – 1900), 9. Emaline (1822 - ?) md a Doyle, 10. Robert (1826- ?), 11. Susan (1829 – 1879) md a Duncan, 12. Daughter Bird (1831 – 1833), and 13. William Edward (1833 - ?). John married 3rd Mary Ann Todd (1793 – 1864), but they had no children together.

Nathaniel Austin (1781 – 1869) and his wife *Mary (1784 – 1870) also had a large family of children: I. Robert G. Anderson, b. 8 February 1865 – d. 22 October 1870, II. Liza Jane Anderson, b. 28 October 1866 – d. 18 April 1868, III. John Clint Anderson, b. 11 March 1868 – d. 1 February 1954, who md 1st Lou__ (she later md Poly Dodson) and had 1. Vergie (who md J. H. Smith), 2nd Molly__ and had 2. Joe, 3. Ephraim, 4. Milton, & 5. Ethel who md a Mr. Simmons. IV. an unnamed baby, b. 3 January 1871 – d. 20 January 1871 V. Laura Lou Ann Anderson, b. 19 January 1872 – d. 11 December 1950, who md George W. Davis (1866 – 1941). VI. Martha Alice Anderson, b. 27 February 1874 --d. 8 June 1908, who md Emmett Rogers and had 1. Mamie, who md Robert Vance, 2. Herman, 3. Jim, 4. Charlie, & 5. Hayden Rogers. VII. James Monroe "Roe" Anderson, b. 18 February 1876 – d. 6 July 1957, who md 1st Eva Lance and had Irene who md Ridley Green; Roe md 2nd Emma Lance and had 2. Cordell and 3. Inez, who md Albert Fraser. Roe and his family lived on a hillside above Hickory Valley. VIII. Flora

E. Anderson, b. 21 March 1878 – d. 9 November 1959, who md I. B. Dycus (1877 – 1933) and had 1. Hallie, who md Myron Goodwin, 2. Mary Jane, who md Lester M. Passons, 3. Laura Annie, who md G. Vergil Davis, 4. William Earl, 5. Johnnie Lee, who md Sadie Floyd, 6. James Monroe, who md Goldie Harris, 7. Matin, who md Zelma Rich, 8. Bonnie Vernon, who md Irene Simmons, 9. Pauline who md Dave Guy, 10. Bernice, who md 1st Gilbert Burkhart & 2nd Cal Graves. IX. William F. Anderson, b. 26 April 1880 – d. 10 July 1950, who md Altie Dodson and had 1. Lela, who md Beecher Cunningham, 2. Attie, who md M. C. Walker, 3. Taft, who md Mattie Austin, 4. Creed, who md Martha Lee, 5. Mattie, who md 1st Earl Wilson, 2nd Raleigh Hutcheson, 3rd Federick William Strike, 4th John W. Gallant, & 5th Bob Wheeler, 6. Thelma, who md Stanley Hicks, 7. Bert, who md Frances Welch; 8. Minnie Helen, who md Jay Simmons. X. Bertie E. Anderson, b. 7 March 1882 – d. 1 February 1941, who md Mack Dodson (1872 – 1960) and had six children. XI. Mary Attie Anderson, b. 24 March 1884 – d. 27 February 1971, the baby of the family, who md W. E. “Uncle Ephraim” Davis (1867 – 1962) and had 1. Jimmy, who md Fleeta Land in Texas, 2. Frank, who md Hazel Smith in Texas, 3. Edd, who md Geneva Sapp, 4. Mamie, 5. Alene, who md J. Austin Boyd 6. Leonard, who md Dorothy Peek, & 7. Flo, who md C.A. Roberts in Chattanooga, 3. Nathan Austin, d. 7 July 1854, at 4 years of age. Buried in Austin Family cemetery, 4. Isabelle, d. 27 August 1855, at 3 years of age. Buried in Austin Family cemetery. 5. Susan Austin, d. 7 September 1854, at 6 months of age. Buried in Austin Family cemetery, 6. James Monroe Austin (1857 - ?), who at age 18 killed Henry Green in self defense and left for the west, last being seen at his Uncle Raleigh Austin’s home in Lead Hill, Arkansas, 7. Darthula “Thulie” Austin (c 1859 – 1940), who married a Mr. White and lived at Yankeetown, north of Sparta, TN, 8. Nancy Jane “Nan” Austin, who md a Mr. Dodson and lived in Hickory Valley, White Co., TN.

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