

<b>Family Group Sheet</b>		Husband's Full Name <b>John Dowell</b>					
		<b>Date of:</b>	<b>Day</b>	<b>Month</b>	<b>Year</b>	<b>Town County State or Country</b>	<b>Additional Info.</b>
Information Obtained From:		Birth:	1764			Albemarle Co., VA	
		Marriage:	23	September	1797	Wilkes Co., NC	
http://mcdonough.illinoisgenweb.org/		Death:	3	February	1851	Jackson Co., TN	
		Burial:				Jackson Co., TN	
http://www.ajlambert.com		Places of Residence: <b>Burke Co. NC, Cumberland Co., KY, Overton Co., Smith Co. &amp; Jackson Co., TN</b>					
		Occupation:				Religion:	Military Record: Rev'l War
familysearch.org		Other wives					
ancestry.com		His Father:	Thomas Dowell		His Mother:	Sarah Elizabeth Coomer	
		Wife's Full Maiden Name <b>Sarah Elizabeth Hickman</b>					
		<b>Date of:</b>	<b>Day</b>	<b>Month</b>	<b>Year</b>	<b>Town County State or Country</b>	<b>Additional Info.</b>
		Birth:	1778			Wilkes Co., NC	
		Marriage:	23	September	1797	Wilkes Co., NC	
Compiler:		Death:	Aft. 1860 census			Jackson Co., TN	
Audrey J. Lambert		Burial:				Jackson Co., TN	
Address:		Places of Residence: <b>NC, Jackson Co., TN</b>					
City:		Occupation:				Religion:	Military Record:
State:		Other husbands:					
Date:		Her Father:	George Hickman		Her Mother:	Mary White (1754-1805)	
			(1755-1803)				
<b>Sex:</b>	<b>Children's Full Names:</b>	<b>Date of:</b>	<b>Day</b>	<b>Month</b>	<b>Year</b>	<b>Town County State or Country</b>	<b>Additional Info.</b>
M	<b>1. John Martin Dowell</b> Full Name of Spouse: Nancy Ann Terry b. 19 Jun 1808, TN d. Feb 1876, TN	Birth:	7	April	1803	NC	Nancy Ann Terry
		Marriage:	1826			Jackson Co., TN	d/o James T. Terry
		Death:	February 1858			Putnam Co., TN	(1768-1828) &
		Burial:	Both buried in			Smyrna Cemetery, Putnam Co., TN	Mary Gooch (1774-1832)
M	<b>2. Reuben Hickman Dowell</b> Full Name of Spouse: Attaline Layne Cooke	Birth:	1806			KY	Attaline Layne Cooke
		Marriage:					b. 15 Jan 1814
		Death:	December 22, 1864				d. 4 Jan 1893
		Burial:	Nashville National			Cemetery, Davidson Co., TN (plot V8903)	Cooke Cem, Putnam Co., TN
F	<b>3. Sarah Elvria Dowell</b> Full Name of Spouse: James Madison Loftis	Birth:	13	February	1810	Jackson Co., TN	James Madison Loftis
		Marriage:	22	March	1832	Jackson Co., TN	b. 13 Feb 1811, SC
		Death:	15 February 1897			Jackson Co., TN	d. ca. 1902, Jackson
		Burial:	Old "Mat" Loftis Cem			Morrison Creek Rd, Jackson Co., TN	Co., TN
F	<b>4. Nancy Emmeline "Emma" Dowell</b> Full Name of Spouse: Joseph Laxton McCrary	Birth:	3	October	1811	TN	Joseph Laxton
		Marriage:					McCrary
		Death:	1895			Jackson Co., AL	b. 18 Mar 1808, KY
		Burial:					d. 24 Jun 1854
F	<b>5. Clara Dowell</b> Full Name of Spouse:	Birth:	1815				
		Marriage:					
		Death:					
		Burial:					
F	<b>6. Francis America Dowell</b> Full Name of Spouse: John Terry	Birth:	9	December	1816	TN	John Terry
		Marriage:	11	October	1832	Putnam Co., TN	b. 19 Jun 1815, TN
		Death:	31 August 1905			Cookeville, Putnam Co., TN	d. 14 Dec 1886, TN
		Burial:	Both buried in			Smyrna Cemetery, Putnam Co., TN	s/o James T. Terry & Mary Gooch
F	<b>7. Patsy Dowell</b> Full Name of Spouse:	Birth:					
		Marriage:					
		Death:					

Taylor	Burial:		
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[DOWELL, JOHN](#)

Ancestor #: A034053

Service:

NORTH CAROLINA Rank: PRIVATE

Birth:

1764 ALBEMARLE CO VIRGINIA

Death:

POST 2-3-1851 JACKSON CO-LIV TENNESSEE

Pension Number:

R3509V

Service Source:

R3509V; PENSION OF BROTHER, GEORGE DOWELL \*S32222

Service Description:

1) CAPTS PETER FORD, JOHN SUMTER, MCKENZIE; COL WADE

PENSION REJECTED FOR LACK OF PROOF; WITNESSES WERE DEAD BY 1851 APP DATE.

Residence County: BURKE CO - State: NORTH CAROLINA

Spouse:

[SARAH HICKMAN](#)

**Source:** Wilkes County North Carolina Marriage Records 1779-1868 by Frances Terry Ingmire, 2003 Mountain Press, P. O. Box Signal Mountain, TN 37377-0400: page No 00026 – **JOHN DOWELL** to **SARAH HICKMAN** married 09/23/1797. Bondsman: Eli Coffey – Witness: Wm. B. Lenoir, C. C.

**Source:** Virginia Publick Claims Albemarle County Virginia, compiled and transcribed by Janice L. Abercrobie and Richard Slatten, Iberian Publishing Company, Athens, Georgia: page 37 – **JOHN DOWELL** for 325# beef taken by N. Lewis for Contl use (pounds2-14-2c.)

**Source:** *Tennessee Cousins: A History of Tennessee People*, by Worth Stickley Ray: Hathi Trust Digital Library:

**SMITH COUNTY, TENNESSEE**, was established in 1799 out of SUMNER OCUNTY. Jackson County was all taken from SMITH county in 1801. WHITE COUNTY was established out of SMITH in 1806, and WARREN COUNTY out of WHITE in 1807, Van Buren out of WARREN and WHITE; a part of SMITH was given to Trousdale County in 1870; a part of PUTNAM in 1844, from Smith, and DeKalb was furnished with territory from counties originally taken from SMITH.

**JACKSON COUNTY, TENNESSEE** was established in 1801 from a part of SMITH COUNTY. SMITH was part of SUMNER and SUMNER came out of DAVIDSON SOUNTY. A part of CLAY COUNTY was subtracted from Jackson in 1870.

**OVERTON COUNTY, TENNESSEE** was established in 1806 out of territory taken from JACKSON COUNTY. Jackson County was taken from Smith in 1801. Smith came out of SUMNER and SUMNER out of DAVIDSON COUNTY. In 1823 part of FENTRESS COUNTY came out of OVERTON; in 1842 a part of PUTNAM, and in 1879 a part of PICKETT COUNTY.

**PUTNAM COUNTY, TENNESSEE** was established February 1, 1842 out of parts of WHITE, OVERTON, JACKSON, SMITH and DEKALB COUNTIES. In 1856 a part of PUTNAM was used in the establishment of CUMBERLAND COUNTY, leaving PUTNAM as it is today.

**Source:** *A History of Putnam County Tennessee* by Walter S. McClain, pg. 20:

**James Terry** came from East Tennessee about 1815 and settled on the farm now owned by his grandson, J. W. H. Terry. His children were William, Joseph, Frank, Curtis, James, John, Nancy, Sallie, Prudie, Rhetta, Lucy and Polly. *James T. Terry (1768-1828) md Mary Gooch (1774-1832)*.

**John Dowell**, also from East Tennessee, came about the same date (1815) and located about half a mile from his friend Terry. His children were Martin, Hickman, Betty, Emma, Clara, and America.

**Source:** Virginia County Court Records: Deed Abstracts of Albemarle County, Virginia (1772-1776): Being Albemarle County Deed Book No. 6. September Court 1772-November Court 1776. Edited & Published by Ruth & Sam Sparacio, The Antient Press, 1320 Mayflower Drive, McLean, Virginia 22101-3402.

pp. 36-37: Albemarle County Deed Book No. 6 (1772-1776): pp.143 & 144: THIS INDENTURE made this Twenty seventh day of May in the Thirteenth year of the Reign of our **Sovereign Lord George** the 3<sup>rd</sup> & c. and the year one thousand seven hundred and seventy three Between **JAMES COLEMAN** of HALLIFAX County of one part and **JOHN DOWELL** of Albemarle County of other part; Witnesseth that **JAMES COLEMAN** in consideration of sum of Thirty pounds current money hath granted to **JOHN DOWELL** his heirs one parcel of Land being in Albemarle County containing by estimation Two hundred acres be the same more or less bounded on Doctor **THOMAS WALKERs** lines, **JOHN CARR, WILLIAM MARTIN** and **THOMAS DOWELL**, with all the appurtenances belonging: To have and to hold the premises aforesaid unto **JOHN DOWELL** his heirs; And **JAMES COLEMAN** for himself his heirs doth promise with **JOHN DOWELL** his heirs that at all times hereafter **JOHN DOWELL** his heirs shall quietly hold and enjoy the said premises without hinderance of him said **JAMES COLEMAN** his heirs or any other person & will warrant and by these presents forever defend: In Witness Sealed & delivered in the presents of us.

THOS JONES

JAMES COLEMAN

JOHN HARVIE

JOHN WALKER

At Albemarle June Court 1773. This Indenture was proved by the Oaths of THOS. JONES, JOHN HARVIE & JOHN WALKER, witnesses thereto & ordered to be recorded Test TUCKER WOODSON, Dy. Clk.

**Source:** Virginia County Court Records: Deed Abstracts of Albemarle County, Virginia (1768-1770): Being our Part I on the Albemarle County Deed Book No. 5 (1768-1772). August Court 1768-December Court 1770. Edited & Published by Ruth & Sam Sparacio, The Antient Press, 1320 Mayflower Drive, McLean, Virginia 22101-3402.

pp. 60-61: Albemarle County Deed Book 5 (1768-1772) Part 1: 113-114: THIS INDENTURE made this January ye 30<sup>th</sup> day in the year of our Lord One thousand seven hundred & Sixty nine Between **AMBROSE DOWELL** of Parish of Fredericksville in County of Albemarle, Planter of one part and **WILLIAM HENSON** of parish aforesaid of other part Witnesseth that said **AMBROSE DOWELL** for and in consideration of one Horse vallue (*sic*) Five pounds current money of Virginia to him in hand paid by **DAVID DOLTON** by these presents doth bargain and sell unto **WILLIAM HENSON** his heirs all that the said **AMBROSE DOWELL** his parcell (*sic*) or tract of land containing One hundrd & fifty acres more or less in the Parish & County aforesaid and is bounded beginning at a Pine in **ANDREW JOHNSONs** line runing (*sic*) thence along a line of new markt trees to Mr. **DICKSONs** line, thence along **DICSONs** line unto **ANDREW JOHNSONs** line these along the said line to the beginning which said land is part of a tract granted to **JOHN DOWELL** with all houses projits and appurtenances thereunto belonging To have & to hold said tract of land with the appurtenances to said **WILLIAM HENSON** his heirs and shall warrant & forever defend by these presents freed and discharged of and from all Incumbrances whatsoever the Quit rents from hence forth to grow due to our Sovereign Lord the King his heirs only excepted & foreprized In his Seal the day & year first above written.

AMBROSE his mark (X) DOWELL

Signed and Sealed & Delivered in the presence of

**SAMUEL MUNDAY, THOMAS DOWELL, WILLIAM HEREN**

Memorandum that on the day & year within written peaceable & Quiet possession of the within mentioned land & it appurtenances was given by **AMBROSE DOWELL** to **WILLIAM HENSON** according to the true intent and meaning of these presents

AMBROSE his mark (X) DOWELL

January 20<sup>th</sup> 1769 Received of the within named **WILLIAM HENSON** the within mentioned consideration of Five pounds & I do hereby acquit him & his heirs of every part thereto

Witness: **SAMUEL MUNDAY, THOMAS DOWELL, WILLIAM HEREN:** At Albemarle August Court 1769 This Indenture memorandum & receipt was acknowledged by **AMBROSE DOWELL** party thereto & ordered to be recorded.

**Source:** Virginia County Court Records: Deed Abstracts of Albemarle County, Virginia (1768-1770): Being our Part I on the Albemarle County Deed Book No. 5 (1768-1772). August Court 1768-December Court 1770. Edited & Published by Ruth & Sam Sparacio, The Antient Press, 1320 Mayflower Drive, McLean, Virginia 22101-3402.

p. 64: Albemarle County Deed Book 5 (1768-1772) Part 1: pp. 122-123: THIS INDENTURE made this fifth day of July One thousand seven hundred & Sixty nine Between **ABRAHAM ALLEN** of AUGUSTA COUNTY of one part and **JOHN DOWEL** of County of Albemarle of other part Witnesseth that said **ABRAHAM ALLEN** for sum of Thirty pounds current money of Virginia to him in hand paid by these presents doth bargain sell & confirm unto **JOHN DOWEL** his heirs one certain tract or parcel of land containing by estimation One hundred and Eighty acres lying & being in Albemarle County at the foot of PINEY MOUNTAIN it being the land the said **ALLEN** lived on beginning at a Pine & White oak corner of **RICHARD ALLEN**, thence North twenty five degrees East two hundred & eight poles to several Pines pointers, thence North fifty four degrees West one hundred & sixty nine poles to a large Pine on PINEY MOUNTAIN, thence South twenty five degrees West one hundred and twenty nine poles to a markt white Oak, thence South thirty two degrees East two hundred poles to the first station together with all houses orchards and water courses thereunto belonging to said **JOHN DOWEL** his heirs will warrant & forever

defend by these presents freely and clearly discharged of all Incumbrances whatsoever. In Witness whereof said **ABRAHAM ALLEN** hath hereunto set his hand & Seal the day & year above written.

**ABRAHAM** his mark (*a big A*) **ALLEN**

Test **W.M. DOLTON, EDWARD COFFEY, JACOB WATTS**

At Albemarle August Court 1769, This Indenture was proved by the Oath of **WILLIAM DOLTON, EDWARD COFFEY & JACOB WATTS** – Wits. thereto & ordered to be recorded.

**Source:** *History of McDonough County, Illinois*, 1885, Centennial Historical Co., Springfield, Illinois, Transcribed by Karl A. Petersen for McDonough County ILGenWeb

**McDonough County, Illinois - Early Settlement:** **George Dowell**, came to this county in 1829 or 30, and built a cabin in what is now Eldorado township. This place was occupied by Abraham Davis.

Historic First Items: The first school in the county was taught by a man by the name of **George Dowell**, in a log cabin on section 15, in Industry township, during the year 1830.

**Source:** [On June 7, 1832, Congress enacted pension legislation extending benefits more universally than under any previous legislation.](#) This act provided for full pay for life for all officers and enlisted men who served at least 2 years in the Continental Line, the state troops or militia, the navy or marines. Men who served less than 2 years but at least 6 months were granted pensions of less than full pay. Benefits were payable effective March 4, 1831, without regard to financial need or disability and widows or children of were entitled to collect any unpaid benefits due from the last payment to a veteran until his death. Everyone who claimed benefits under this act were required to relinquish their claims under any prior federal or state pension laws, but by amendment on February 19, 1833, invalid pensioners were exempted from the operation of this release of their prior pension benefits. In his annual report to Congress in 1834, the Commissioner of Pensions reported that there were then 27,978 pensioners on the rolls claiming pensions under the 1832 act claiming benefits of \$2,325,000 per year. The entire federal pension roll in 1834 contained about 43,000 claimants.

**Source:** Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

State of Tennessee County of Jackson: On this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of February 1851 before me **John Terry** Justice of the Peace for said county of Jackson personally appeared **John Dowel** a resident of said county aged about eighty seven years who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed June 7, 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States as a volunteer private in Burke County State of North Carolina where he then resided under **Captain Peter Ford** in December 1779 the day of the month not now recollected but it was the time during the last of that month, to serve a tour of three months in the State of South Carolina. Applicant does not remember the names of the Lieutenant or Ensign, he marched to a small town in South Carolina on the Waterre River where the company rendezvoused, he marched thence under said Captain crossing the Catawba River to Monk's corner and thence to Charleston – it was then expected that the British would surround or attack Charleston. The regular soldiers of the American army were on duty in City and applicant and his fellow soldiers of the Militia were engaged in cutting and hauling pine timber to construct a picketting (*sic*) or defense outside of the breastworks. Applicant does not recollect to what regiment he was attached nor does he recollect the names of any of the regular officers who were then in the City of Charleston as the duty or sort of service in which he was engaged did not bring him immediately under their command. Applicant remained at Charleston under command of said **Captain Ford**, until the first of March 1780 when he and the rest of the company in which he served and he believes all the militia were marched out of the City in the night, to avoid the enemy, and dismissed from the service as applicant understood on account of scarcity of provisions and Charleston was then about to be surrounded by the British Army. Applicant did not receive a written discharge but he was regularly dismissed by his Captain. Applicant did not serve out the full term of his engagement for the reason on above stated but he served during this term at the least the two months.

Applicant again entered the service of the United States as a private by enlistment in said County of Burke where he then resided in September 1780 under Captain **John Sumpter** to serve for the term of ten months – he was marched to South Caroline on the Wateree and placed under the command of **Captain McKinzie** and **Lieut. John McKinzie** the captains brother, and was attached to a regiment commanded by **Colonel Wade Hampton** the Major's name he thinks was **Buford**. Applicant was marched about from place to place on the waters of Waterre, Congaree and Santee in said State of South Carolina to protect the inhabitants from the Tories and keep them the Tories in check – according to applicants recollection **General Sumpter** was commander of the troops with which he served but he does not recollect that he ever saw **General Sumpter**. Applicant served out his full term of ten months when in July in the same year he was discharged he thinks his discharge was signed by **Colonel Hampton**, but said discharge has long since been lost and applicant of course cannot now refer to it and must depend entirely upon the frail recollection of an old man. But applicant is certain that he served out his full term of ten months when he was honorably discharged. No important events took place and no battle was fought by the army in which he served but applicant underwent great hardships of cold & hunger and want of clothing – Applicant served in the war of the Revolution in the service of the United

States during the two terms of his engagement as above stated at least twelve months or one year. Applicant does not now recollect the names of any other the regular or continental officers with whom he served except those above named. Applicant has no documentary evidence and he knows of no person whose testimony he can procure, except **Richard Heron** who lives in DeKalb county in this State near the line of this County, who can testify to his service. And he cannot prove the particulars of his service but applicant cannot say what he will prove, and refers to his affidavit which he will try through his friends to procure. Applicant was born in Albemarle County State of Virginia in the year 1764, has no record of his age. Since the Revolution he has lived in Burke County North Carolina, Cumberland County Kentucky, Overton County, Smith County in Jackson County in the State of Tennessee in which last County he now lives. Some of the persons in applicant's neighborhood by whom he can prove the reputation in the neighborhood of his having been a soldier of the Revolution and who can testify to his character for veracity are **Carr Terry, Curtis Terry, James M. Loftis, Abraham Buck, Henry Bullington, Joseph Lacock, Isaac Whitaker & Montgomery Kincaid (or Kinnaird)**. No clergyman lives in his neighborhood.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present; and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any State.

One and the principal reason why applicant did not apply sooner for a pension under said act of Congress, is that he expected to procure the evidence of **Annanias Allen** of Jackson County Alabama who came from Burke County North Carolina and was acquainted with Applicant both in said County of Burke & in this county. Applicant made an attempt to procure his affidavit and failed as he thinks through a mistake in **Allen** sending an affidavit in favor of applicant's Brother – and before he could procure another, Allen died. Applicant did not know that he could procure the affidavits of **Richard Heron** until within about three months. **Heron** lives about 15 or 16 miles from applicant.

Signed: **John Dowel**

I **John Terry** a Justice of the Peace for said county of Jackson and State of Tennessee do hereby certify that the foregoing declaration was carefully read over to the applicant **John Dowel** and that he subscribed the same in my presence at his own house in said County of Jackson and was sworn to the same by and before me according to law. I further certify that said **John Dowel** resides 16 miles from the seat of Justice of said County and that owing to his age and bodily infirmity he is unable to appear in Court and cannot attend the court.

I further certify that I am well acquainted with said applicant and reside about one mile from him and that in my opinion he is of the age mentioned in the foregoing declaration. I further certify that I \_\_\_\_\_ to him the following interrogations – 1. Where and in what year were you born? 2. Have you any record of your age? And if so, where is it? 3. Where were you living when called into service, where have you lived since the Revolutionary War; & where do you now live? 4. How were you called into service; were you drafted, did you volunteer, or were you a substitute; and if a substitute for whom? 5. State the names of some of the Regular officers, who were with the troops where you served; such continental and militia regiments as you can recollect; and the general circumstances of your service. 6. Did you ever receive a discharge from the service, and is so by whom was it given and what has become of it? 7. State the names of persons to whom you are known in your present neighborhood and who can testify as to your character for veracity, and their belief of your services as a soldier of the Revolution. The answers to the foregoing questions are embodied in the foregoing declaration. And from the answers given as above I am of opinion that he served as stated in said declaration. February 3<sup>rd</sup> 1851

Signed **John Terry**, Justice of the Peace for Jackson County

#### Source:

State of Tennessee, Jackson County: This day personally appeared before me Rowland C. Dill our acting Justice of the Peace for said County **John Dowell** citizen of said County with whom I am personally acquainted who being first duly sworn and saith that he was acquainted with **George Dowell** (now of Monroe County Indiana) in Albemarle County Virginia at the commencement of the Revolutionary war that the said **George was his elder brother** and that he then said George entered the Service of the United States as a volunteer Soldier in Said County of Albemarle but the precise time recollected but thinks it was previous to the Battle of Brandywine. The said George was absent from the neighborhood and his mothers house for One year and nine months during which time the deponent has always understood that he was in the army of the north under the command of General Washington. After the return of **George Dowell** from the northern army my Mothers family including **George Dowell** and myself removed to Burke County North Carolina in which County and State that **George Dowell** and this deponent entered the Service of United States as volunteers in Capt John Sumpter's Company. The date not recollected but thinks it was the year previous to the Battle at Guilford County. Hence the said George and the deponent marched into South Carolina and joined General Thomas Sumpter with whom they remained Ten months being engaged in keeping down the tories after which time they were discharged and further this deponent saith not sworn and subscribe **John Dowell** to before me this 29<sup>th</sup> day of January 1898  
Rowland C. Dill Justice of the Peace

**Source:** *Jackson County, Tennessee Chancery Court Minute Vol A* ( November 1840- February 1851) by Pat Spurlock Elder, Continuity Press, Blountville, TN. Introduction: **There are few early Jackson County records due to the August 1872 courthouse fire.** This is records from the pre-1872 records. This volume is an abstraction of the actual records from microfilm found at the Tennessee State Archives.



(pg. 55): 20 July 1846, Page 229 – **Stephen D. Burton vs Bird C. Kinslow & John Dowell**...By consent...time is given the Defendants until September rules to their answers....

(pg 63): 28 July 1847, Page 264 – **Nathan J. Goss & al vs John Dowell & al**. Complainant dismisses his suit.

**Source:** *Jackson County, Tennessee Chancery Court Minutes* (1840-1861) by Betty Huff Bryant, Austin, TX:

July Term 1846, pg. 229 – Stephen D. Burton vs Bird C. Kinslow & **John Dowell**. Continued.

July Term 1847, pg. 264 – Watson M. Cook vs **John Dowell** et al. dismissed.

Jan Term 1848, pg. 293 – John Sommers and others vs Roland C. Dill and others. Lands were sold to **James M. Loftis**.

**Source:** *Loftis and the Descendants of Laban Loftis* by Jimmie Robert Loftis and Bobbie H. Bryant, pg. 297 – **James Madison “Matt” Loftis** b 13 Feb 1811 near Tigerville, Greenville Co, SC d 1902 Jackson Co., TN. **He was the 8th child of Laban Loftis** (b 1760 MD d 8 Nov 1850 Jackson Co, TN) and **Elizabeth Holcombe Loftis** (b 1770 MD d 29 Dec 1859 Jackson Co, TN). James Madison arrived in Jackson Co, TN on a wagon train with his parents on Morrison’s Creek Branch of Roaring River, 6 miles East of Gainesboro, Jackson Co, TN. Descendants lived on the original Loftis property on Morrison’s Creek until 1972. He married 22 March 1832 Jackson Co, TN to **Sarah Elivira Dowell** b 13 Feb 1810 d 15 Feb 1897 Jackson Co, TN and **daughter of John and Sarah Hickman Dowell**. They are both buried in the Loftis Cemetery on Morrison’s Creek. He served in the Confederate Army as a Pvt., G Co., 13<sup>th</sup> Cavalry Bn. During the Civil War. “Matt” and Sarah had eleven children plus rearing one grandson Charlie “Peyor” Millard Loftis.

### US Census Reconstructed Records (1660-1820)

**Name:** John Dowell  
**Gender:** M (Male)  
**State:** Virginia  
**County:** Albemarle County

**Residence Year:** 1780

**Household** 10 Apr 1782, District No. 2: free males above 21: 1; slaves: 5; "No Nett[?] Cattle": 8; "No Horses mares Colts & Mules": 4;

**Remarks:** "No wheels for Riding Carriags": 0; "No. Billiard Tables": 0; "No Ordinary L

### 1810 Census (Lost)

A substitute is available:

Sherrill, Charles A. *The Reconstructed 1810 Census of Tennessee: 33,000 Long-lost Records from Tax Lists, Court Minutes, Church Records, Wills, Deeds and Other Sources*. Mt. Juliet, Tenn.: C.A. Sherrill, 2001. [FHL US/CAN Book 976.8 X2s 1810](#).

### Fredericksville Parish vestry book, 1742-1787

1820 census Albemarle, VA, Fredericksville Parish, Enumeration Date: 7 August 1820.

### 1820 CENSUS

Name:	John Dowel
Home in 1820 (City, County, State):	Jackson, Tennessee
Enumeration Date:	August 7, 1820
Free White Persons - Males - 10 thru 15:	1
Free White Persons - Males - 16 thru 18:	1
Free White Persons - Males - 16 thru 25:	1
Free White Persons - Males - 45 and over:	1
Free White Persons - Females - Under 10:	4
Free White Persons - Females - 10 thru 15:	1
Free White Persons - Females - 16 thru 25:	2
Free White Persons - Females - 26 thru 44:	1
Slaves - Males - 45 and over:	1
Slaves - Females - Under 14:	1
Number of Persons - Engaged in Agriculture:	9

Number of Persons - Engaged in Manufactures:	2
Free White Persons - Under 16:	6
Free White Persons - Over 25:	2
Total Free White Persons:	11
Total Slaves:	2
Total All Persons - White, Slaves, Colored, Other:	13

**1840 CENSUS**

Name	John Dowel
Home in 1840 (City, County, State)	District 10, Jackson, Tennessee
Free White Persons - Males - 15 thru 19	1
Free White Persons - Males - 70 thru 79	1
Free White Persons - Females - 15 thru 19	1
Free White Persons - Females - 40 thru 49	1
Free White Persons - Females - 60 thru 69	1
Slaves - Females - 24 thru 35	1
Slaves - Females - 36 thru 54	1
Persons Employed in Agriculture	3
Free White Persons - Under 20	2
Free White Persons - 20 thru 49	1
Total Free White Persons	5
Total Slaves	2
Total All Persons - Free White, Free Colored, Slaves	7
	Hickman Dowel <a href="#">[Hickman Dawes]</a>
Home in 1840 (City, County, State):	District 12, Jackson, Tennessee
Free White Persons - Males - 5 thru 9:	1
Free White Persons - Males - 30 thru 39:	1
Free White Persons - Females - Under 5:	3
Free White Persons - Females - 5 thru 9:	1
Free White Persons - Females - 20 thru 29:	1
Persons Employed in Agriculture:	1
No. White Persons over 20 Who Cannot Read and Write:	1
Free White Persons - Under 20:	5
Free White Persons - 20 thru 49:	2
Total Free White Persons:	7
Total All Persons - Free White, Free Colored, Slaves:	7

**1840 CENSUS – JACKSON CO., TN Dist. 9**

**James M Loftis**

[\[James M Loftis\]](#)

[James M Loftis]

Home in 1840 (City, County, State):	District 9, Jackson, Tennessee
Free White Persons - Males - 5 thru 9:	2

Free White Persons - Males - 20 thru 29:	1
Free White Persons - Females - Under 5:	2
Free White Persons - Females - 20 thru 29:	1
Persons Employed in Agriculture:	1
Schools - No. of Scholars at Public Charge:	1
Free White Persons - Under 20:	4
Free White Persons - 20 thru 49:	2
Total Free White Persons:	6
Total All Persons - Free White, Free Colored, Slaves:	6

### 1840 CENSUS –JACKSON CO., AL

Name	Joseph Mc Crary
Home in 1840 (City, County, State)	Jackson, Alabama
Free White Persons - Males - Under 5	1
Free White Persons - Males - 20 thru 29	1
Free White Persons - Males - 30 thru 39	1
Free White Persons - Females - 5 thru 9	1
Free White Persons - Females - 20 thru 29	1
Persons Employed in Agriculture	2
No. White Persons over 20 Who Cannot Read and Write	1
Free White Persons - Under 20	2
Free White Persons - 20 thru 49	3
Total Free White Persons	5
Total All Persons - Free White, Free Colored, Slaves	5

### 1850 CENSUS

#### 1850 CENSUS – JACKSON CO., TN Dist. 9

Dwl: 346:

**James M. Loftis** 39 M W (value of real estate, 800) Farmer SC *James Madison Loftis Sr., s/o Laban Loftis & Elizabeth Holcombe.*

**Levira Loftis** 40 F W TN *Sarah Elvira Dowell, d/o John Dowell & Sarah Elizabeth Hickman*

John M. Loftis 17 M W TN *John Martin Loftis md Celina Johnson*

**Ruben H.** 15 M W TN *Reuben Hickman H. P. Loftis md Harriet Montgomery Johnson*

Francis A. 13 F W TN *Frances America Loftis md John Pierce Loftis*

Sary E. 11 F W TN *Sarah "Sallie" "Sack" Elvira Loftis md Jessie Headdy/Heady*

James M. 6 M W TN *James Madison Jr. md Sarah "Surry" Jane Dill*

Tennessee 4 F W TN *Clerry Tennessee Loftis md Andrew P. Davis Gentry*

Rupus W. 1 M W TN *George Rufus "Ruff" Loftis md Sallie "Sarah" Elizabeth Chaffin*

#### 1850 CENSUS – JACKSON CO., TN Dist. 10

Dwl: 501:

**John Daws** 80 M W (value of real estate, 500) Farming VA *John Dowell*

**Sally Daws** 70 F W NC *Sarah Elizabeth (Hickman) Dowell*

Sophia Daws 35 F W NC *Sophia Ann Dowell, d/o Reuben Hickman "Buin" Dowell & Attaline Layne Cooke. Sophia md David Hickman Harris (Sgt) Bullington (1837-1861) & later md Jacob Crockett Hyder (1839-1927).*

Martha Huddelston 10 F W TN *Huddleston*

Frances Huddelston 8 F W TN

Harriet Huddelston 10 F W TN



(1850 census 10<sup>th</sup> Civil Dist., Jackson Co., TN: Dwl: 515 - **John M. Dowell** is head of household, 46 yrs. old, NC, md to **Nancy Dowell**, 37 yrs. old, TN. Children: John, 18 yrs. old; James, 17 yrs. old; Joseph, 15 yrs. old; Peter, 13 yrs. old; Polly, 11 yrs. old; George, 7 yrs. old; Madison, 5 yrs. old; Elijah, 4 yrs. old; Henrietta, 3 yrs. old; William, 2 yrs. old & Sophia Dowell, 1 yr. old. All born in TN).

(1850 census 10<sup>th</sup> Civil Dist., Jackson Co., TN: Dwl: 482 – **Winchester Dowell** is head of household, 25 yrs. old, TN, md to **Lavina**, 21 yrs. old, TN. Children: Curtis, 2 yrs. old, TN & James Dowell, 1 yrs. old, TN).

(1850 census 12<sup>th</sup> Civil Dist., Jackson Co., TN: Dwl: 394 - **Reuben H. Dowell** is head of household, 43 yrs. old, KY, md to **Altaline Dowell** 36 yrs. old, TN. Children: Warazetta, 18 yrs. old; Watson 16 yrs. old; Dawida, 14 yrs. old; Mariah, 12 yrs. old; Sophia, 10 yrs. old; Henry, 7 yrs. old; Sarah, 5 yrs. old & John Dowell 2 yrs. old. All born in TN).

(1850 census 19<sup>th</sup> Civil Dist., Jackson Co., TN: Dwl: 494 - **John Terry** is head of household, 34 yrs. old, TN, md to **Frances Terry**, 32 yrs. old, TN. Children: William, 16 yrs. old; Martha, 14 yrs. old; Sally, 12 yrs. old; Curtis, 10 yrs. old; John, 7 yrs. old; Harriet, 4 yrs. old & Whitley Terry, 1 yr. old. All born in TN).

(1850 census Township 2, Range 5, Jackson Co., AL: Dwl: 608 - **Farys Bulleton** is head of household, 44 yrs. old, VA, md to **Emily**, 37 yrs. old, KY. Children: William, 18 yrs. old, TN; John, 15 yrs. old, TN; David, 14 yrs. old, AL; Joseph, 10 yrs. old, AL; Leroy, 7 yrs. old, AL; Mary, 5 yrs. old. AL & Russel Bulleton, 3 yrs. old, AL. Also living in the household: **Joseph McCrary**, 43 yrs. old, KY, md to **Nancy**, 38 yrs. old, TN, John, 12 yrs. old, AL & Caroline McCrary, 9 yrs. old, AL).

**Source:** US Indexed Early Land Ownership and Township Plats (1785-1898): **Joseph McCrary**, Earliest Township and Range Public Land Survey State of Alabama, Huntsville Meridian (Northern part of Alabama).

## 1860 CENSUS

1860 CENSUS– JACKSON CO., TN Dist. 9, South of the Cumberland River – Post Office: Gainesboro  
Dwl: 869 Family: 869 Line: 36

**James M. Loftis** 50 M Farmer (Value of real estate, 1,700) (Value of personal estate, 4,500) SC *James Madison Loftis*

**Sally E. Loftis** 50 F TN *Sarah Elvira Dowell, d/o John Dowell & Sarah Hickman*

Sarah Loftis 21 F TN *Sarah “Sallie” “Sack” Elvira Loftis md Jessie Headdy/Heady*

James Loftis 17 M TN *James Madison Jr. md Sarah “Surry” Jane Dill*

Tennessee Loftis 16 F TN *Clerry Tennessee Loftis md Andrew P. Davis Gentry*

Rufus Loftis 11 M TN *George Rufus “Ruff” Loftis md Sallie “Sarah” Elizabeth Chaffin*

Sofa Loftis 9 F TN *Sophie Loftis md Bill Gore*

Parsetta Loftis 6 F TN *Parsetta Loftis md Noah Gentry*

(1860 CENSUS– PUTNAM CO., TN Dist. 1, Cookeville: Dwl: 47 – **John Hickman Dowell** is head of household, 29 yrs. old, TN, md to **Rebecca**, 26 yrs. old, TN. Children: John, 2 yrs. old, TN & Martha Dowell, 10/12 yrs. old, TN).

(1860 CENSUS– PUTNAM CO., TN Dist. 1, Cookeville: Dwl: 100 – **John Terry** is head of household, 44 yrs. old, TN, md to **Francis**, 43 yrs. old, TN. Children: Asberry, 26 yrs. old; Sarah, 21 yrs. old; John, 18 yrs. old; Harriett, 14 yrs. old; Whitley, 11 yrs. old; Lee, 9 yrs. old; Pazette, 7 yrs. old; Mary, 4 yrs. old & Wisley Terry, 2/12 yrs. old. All born in TN).

(1860 CENSUS– PUTNAM CO., TN Dist. 1, Cookeville: Dwl: 111 – **Nancy Dowell** is head of household, 52 yrs. old, NC. Children: Joseph, 26 yrs. old; Peter, 24 yrs. old; George, 21 yrs. old; Madison, 18 yrs. old; Elijah, 16 yrs. old; Henrietta, 14 yrs. old; William, 12 yrs. old; Sophia, 10 yrs. old & Campbell Dowell, 7 yrs. old. All born in TN).

(1860 CENSUS– PUTNAM CO., TN Dist. 7, Double Springs, Putnam Co., TN: Dwl: 702 - **D. H. Bullington** is head of household, 22 yrs. old, AL, md to **Sophia A. Bullington**, 20 yrs. old, TN. Child: Emiline A. Bullington, 1 yr. old, TN). *Sophia Ann (Dowell) Bullington Hyder is the d/o Reuben Hickman “Buin” Dowell (1806-1864) & Attaline Layne Cooke (1814-1883). Sophia Ann Dowell (1839-1912), md 1<sup>st</sup> David Hickman Harris Bullington (1837-1861) & md 2<sup>nd</sup> Jacob Crockett Hyder (1839-1927).*

(1860 CENSUS- PUTNAM CO., TN Dist. 11, PO Pekin: Dwl: 1346 - **Sarah H. Dowell** is head of household, 80 yrs. old, NC, (Occupation: Farmer), (Value of real estate, 1500, Value of personal estate, 500). (*Sarah (Hickman) Dowell md John Dowell*).

(1860 CENSUS- PUTNAM CO., TN Dist. 11, PO Pekin: Dwl: 1351 - **Tyre Bullington** is head of household, 54 yrs. old, VA, md to **Emily**, 47 yrs. old, AL. Children: Joseph, 19 yrs. old; L, 17 yrs. old; Mary J., 14 yrs. old; Tyre, 12 yrs. old; Martha, 10 yrs. old & Matilda, 5 yrs. old. All born in AL). *Tyre Bullington Sr. md Emily A. Ripptoe. They are the parents of Sgt. David Hickman Harris Bullington (1837-1861) who died in the Civil War and who md Sophia Ann Dowell, d/o Reuben Hickman “Buin” Dowell & Attaline Layne Cooke.*

**1870 CENSUS**

1870 CENSUS – JACKSON CO., TN Dist. 9 – Post Office: Gainesboro

Dwl: 34 Family: 34 Line: 34

**James M. Loftis** 60 M W Farmer (Value of real estate, 1,500) (Value of personal estate, 1,200) SC *James Madison Loftis*  
**Sarah E. Loftis** 60 F W Keeping House KY (*should be TN*). *Sarah Elvira Dowell, d/o John Dowell & Sarah Hickman*  
James M. Loftis 26 M W TN *James Madison Jr. md Sarah "Surry" Jane Dill*  
Tennessee Loftis 22 F W TN *Clerry Tennessee Loftis md Andrew P. Davis Gentry*  
Sophia Loftis 16 F W TN *Sophie Loftis md Bill Gore*  
Parsetta Loftis 16 F W TN *Parsetta Loftis md Noah Gentry*  
Charlie Loftis 4 M W TN

1870 CENSUS – PUTNAM CO., TN Dist. 3

Dwl: 36

**Jacob C. Hyder** 30 M W Farmer (Value of real estate, 1,000) (Value of personal estate, 500) TN *Jacob Crockett Hyder*  
**Sophia Hyder** 30 F W Keeping House TN *Sophia Ann (Dowell) Bullington Hyder d/o*  
*Reuben Hickman "Buin" Dowell (1806-1864) & Attaline Layne Cooke (1814-1883).*  
Emily Hyder 11 F W At School TN *Emiline A. Bullington, d/o David Hickman Harris Bullington & Sophia Ann Dowell.*  
Tennessee Hyder 9 F W At School TN *Tennessee Bullington, David Hickman Harris Bullington & Sophia Ann Dowell.*  
Perley Hyder 5 F W At Home TN  
Dona Hyder 2 F W At Home  
Martha Hyder 1 F W TN  
Elizabeth Slyder 65 Dom Servant TN

1870 CENSUS – PUTNAM CO., TN Dist. 9

Dwl: 64

**John Terry** 55 M W Farmer (Value of real estate, 2,000) (Value of personal estate, 2,000) TN  
**Francis A. Terry** 53 F W Keeping House TN *Francis America (Dowell) Terry, d/o John Dowell & Sarah Elizabeth Hickman.*  
Lee R. Terry 19 M W Working on Farm TN  
Pasetta F. Terry 17 F W At Home TN  
Mary J. Terry 14 F W At Home TN  
Harry J. Terry 10 M W TN  
Frank McKinney 5 M W Farm Laborer TN

Census Place: 1880 District 1, Putnam Co, TN

Source: FHL Film 1255275 National Archives Film T9-1275 Page 84C

Dwl: 122

	Relation	Sex	Marr	Race	Age	Birthplace
<b>John TERRY</b>	Self	M	M	W	65	TN
Occ:	Farmer	Fa: TN	Mo: TN			
<b>Frances A. TERRY</b>	Wife	F	M	W	60	TN
Occ:	Keeping House	Fa: TN	Mo: TN			
Harvy TERRY	Son	M		W	20	TN
Occ:	Works On Farm	Fa: TN	Mo: TN			
A.W. SWENGINA	Other	F		W	14	TN
Occ:	Boarder	Fa: TN	Mo: TN			

Census Place: 1880 District 3, Putnam Co, TN

Source: FHL Film 1255275 National Archives Film T9-1275 Page 100B

Dwl: 89

	Relation	Sex	Marr	Race	Age	Birthplace
<b>Crocket HYDER</b>	Self	M	M	W	40	TN
Occ:	Farmer	Fa: TN	Mo: TN			
<b>Sofa HYDER</b>	Wife	F	M	W	40	TN
Occ:	Keeping House	Fa: TN	Mo: TN			
Tennessee HYDER	Dau	F	S	W	18	TN
Occ:	Work In House	Fa: ---	Mo: ---			
Perley HYDER	Dau	F	S	W	15	TN
		Fa: ---	Mo: ---			
Dona HYDER	Dau	F	S	W	13	TN
		Fa: ---	Mo: ---			

Martha HYDER	Dau	F	S	W	10	TN
		Fa: ---	Mo: ---			
Lovey HYDER	Dau	F	S	W	9	TN
		Fa: ---	Mo: ---			
Rutha HYDER	Dau	F	S	W	7	TN
		Fa: ---	Mo: ---			
Whitley HYDER	Son	M	S	W	2	TN
		Fa: ---	Mo: ---			

Census Place: 1880 District 9, Jackson Co., TN

Dwl: 10 Family: 10 Line: 7

Source: FHL Film 1255264 National Archives Film T9-1264 Page 198B

	Relation	Sex	Marr	Race	Age	Birthplace	
<b>James M. LOFTIS</b>	Self	M		M	70	SC	
	Occ: Farmer		Fa: ENG		Mo: VA		
<b>Elvira LOFTIS</b>	Wife	F		M	70	KY	
	Occ: Keeping House		Fa: VA		Mo: VA		
James M. LOFTIS	Son	M		S	36	TN	
			Fa: SC		Mo: KY		
Sarah J. DILL	Other	F		S	24	TN	
	Occ: Servant		Fa: TN		Mo: TN		
Charles PRYOR	Other	M		S	12	TN	
	Occ: Servant		Fa: TN		Mo: TN		

(1900 census 1<sup>st</sup> Civil Dist., Putnam Co., TN: Dwl: 94 – **Beecher Huddleston** is head of household, 30 yrs. old, b. April 1870, TN, md to **Ruthie**, 28 yrs. old, b. May 1872, TN, (2 children born, 1 child living). Children: Myrtle, 9 yrs. old, b. September 1890, TN & Clarence Huddleston, 4 yrs. old, b. November 1895, TN).

[**Dowell**] Christoffersen, Clark D. and Amy Beth Dowell Christoffersen. *In Search of John Dowell: A Dowell Family History, 1620-2002*. Spokane, Wash.: C.D. Christoffersen, 2003. [FHL Book 929.273 D753c](#)

Source: North Carolina and Tennessee, Early Land Records (1753-1931)

Middle Tennessee Land Grants: Roll 096: Book 3

The State of Tennessee...No. 2034

To All To Whom These Presents Shall Come...Greeting: (2 February 1826)

Know Ye, That for and in consideration of the sum of twelve and one half cents per acre, paid into the office of the Entry-taker of Jackson county, and entered on the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of June 1824, pursuant to the provisions of an Act of the General Assembly of said state, passed on the 22<sup>nd</sup> day of November 1823, by No. 126, There is granted by the said State of Tennessee, unto **John Dowell** a certain tract or parcel of land, containing fifty acres by survey bearing date the 21<sup>st</sup> day of April 1825 lying in said county, on the waters of the West fork of Roaring River adjoining the tract of land **where the said Dowell now lives** and Bounded as follows to wit Beginning at a Black Oak in said Dowells South South Boundary line of his old tract and Running West with said South Boundary one hundred and seven poles to a stake in said Dowells field one pole east of a sink thence south with **William Dennis** east Boundary line \_\_\_\_\_ a hickory and chestnut marked on a corner at 84 poles in all one hundred and two poles to a stake thence east 52 poles to a stake and \_\_\_\_\_ on a conditional line made between said Dowell & Seth Hill thence north with said conditional line \_\_\_\_\_ a Black oak marked \_\_\_\_\_ at 21 poles in all 29 poles to a \_\_\_\_\_ oak thence with said conditional line north 50 *degrees* east 37 poles to the beginning including part of said Dowells improvement With the hereditaments and appertenances. TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the said tract or parcel of land, with its appertenances, to the said **John Dowell** and his heirs forever. In witness whereof **Wm Carroll Governor of the state of Tennessee**, hath set his hand, and caused the great seal of the state to be affixed, at Murfreesboro on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of August in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty five and of the Independence of the United States, the 50<sup>th</sup>.

By the Governor: Will. Carroll

Secretary: Daniel Graham

Source: John Dowell McCrary In the Probate Court of Jackson County, Alabama (Probate Estate Files: Alabama, Wills and Probate Records, (1753-1999) for John D. McCrary, Image 1750 on Ancestry.com. *John Dowell McCrary (1839-1926,) s/o Joseph Laxton McCrary (1808-1854) & Nancy Emmeline "Emma" Dowell (1811-1913).*

To the Honorable W. R. Bogart, Judge of said Court, Your petitioner, **Charley W. McCrary**, and inhabitant of this state, over twenty one years of age, respectfully represent that **John D. McCrary** who died on or about the third day of August 1926, leaving a last will and testament, that said testator was a citizen of said County, and state, residing at the time of his death at Stevenson in said County, and that he left surviving him a widow, **Mary E. McCrary**, and the following named children, and heirs at law, to-wit: **Ella Cargile**, Stevenson, Ala., **Sallie Sanders**, Fackler, Ala., **Jane Allen**, Maxwell, Ala., **Tennie Tate**, Maxwell, **Emma Sentell**, Scottsboro, Ala., **Joe McCrary**, Wanville, Ala., **D. W. McCrary**, Wanville, Ala., **Sam McCrary**, Fackler, Ala., **John McCrary**, Stevenson, Ala., and **Charley McCrary**, Stevenson, Ala., and that said above, named children and heirs at law, and said widow are each over 2 years of age, are the only children and heirs at law of said decedant. That said **John D. McCrary** named your petitioner and **Emma** as the Executors of his said last will and testament. Petitioner prays that a day be set to there this petition to probate said will, the said will being herewith made and offered as a part of this petition, and offered to this Honorable Court for probate, for this purpose let all necessary and proper orders and decrees issue, and that above named heirs be notified of the time and place of hearing said petition.

Respectfully submitted: **C. W. McCrary**

Subscribed and sworn to before me this the 9<sup>th</sup> day of August 1926: **W. R. Bogart**, Judge of Probate.

**Nancy Emmeline "Emma" (Dowell) McCrary**

b. 3 October 1811, TN – d. 1895, Jackson Co., AL, md **Joseph Laxton McCrary**, b. 18 March 1808, NC – d. 24 June 1854, Jackson Co., AL, s/o **Samuel McCrary** (1786-1872) & **Elizabeth Allen** (1786-1831). Nancy Emmeline "Emma" (Dowell) McCrary (1811-1895), d/o **John Dowell** (1764-1851) & **Sarah Elizabeth Hickman** (1778-1850).

(1850 census Township 2, Range 5, Jackson Co., AL: Dwl: 608 - Farys Bulleton is head of household, 44 yrs. old, VA, md to Emily, 37 yrs. old, KY. Children: William, 18 yrs. old, TN; John, 15 yrs. old, TN; David, 14 yrs. old, AL; Joseph, 10 yrs. old, AL; Leroy, 7 yrs. old, AL; Mary, 5 yrs. old. AL & Russel Bulleton, 3 yrs. old, AL. Also living in the household: **Joseph McCrary**, 43 yrs. old, KY, md to **Nancy**, 38 yrs. old, TN, John, 12 yrs. old, AL & Caroline McCrary, 9 yrs. old, AL).

(1860 census Twp. 2, Range 6 East, Jackson Co., AL; Dwl: 443 - **Nancy McCrary** is head of household, 48 yrs. old, TN, Farmer. Child: John McCrary, 20 yrs. old, AL).

(1870 census Allison, Jackson Co., AL: Dwl: 280 - **John D. McCrary** is head of household, 30 yrs. old, AL, md to Mary E., 24 yrs. old, AL. Children: Ella, 4 yrs. old; Sarah A., 3 yrs. old & Sophia McCrary, 1 yr. old. All born in AL).

(1870 census Allison, Jackson Co., AL: Dwl: 281 - **Nancy E. McCrary** is head of household, 57 yrs. old, TN, Keeping House).

(1900 census, Allison Precinct, Jackson Co., AL: Dwl: 52 - **John D. McCrary** is head of household, 60 yrs. old, b. September 1839, AL, (parents both born in NC), md 36 yrs. to **Mary E.**, 53 yrs. old, b. September 1846, AL, (parents both born in NC), (12 children born, 12 children living). Children: Sophia, 30 yrs. old, b. March 1870; Charles, 25 yrs. old, b. February 1875; John, 19 yrs. old, b. August 1880; Samuel, 16 yrs. old, b. November 1883; David W., 14 yrs. old, b. January 1886; Dow W., 14 yrs. old, b. January 1886 & Emma McCrary, 11 yrs. old, b. September 1888. All born in AL).

(1910 census, Jackson Co., Al, Dist. 0023: Dwl: 113 - **John D. McCrary** is head of household, 70 yrs. old, AL, (parents both born in NC), md 45 yrs. to **Mary E.**, 64 yrs. old, AL, (12 children born, 11 children living). Children: John McCrary, 30 yrs. old, AL).

US General Land Office Records (1796-1907)

Name: Nancy E Mccrary  
Issue Date: 21 Jun 1892  
Acres: 80  
Meridian: Huntsville  
State: Alabama  
County: Jackson  
Township: 2-S  
Range: 6-E  
Section: 5  
Accession Number: AL4010\_\_291  
Metes and Bounds: No  
Land Office: Huntsville  
Canceled: No  
US Reservations: No  
Mineral Reservations: No

Authority: April 24, 1820: Sale-Cash Entry (3 Stat. 566)  
Document Number: 38678

US Census Non-Population Schedules (1850-1880)

Name: Nancy McCrary  
Location: Township 2, Jackson, Alabama, USA  
Enumeration Date: 11 Jun 1870  
Schedule Type: Agriculture  
OS Page: 25  
Line Number: 12

Source: Alabama, Wills and Probate Records, (1753-1999): Jackson Co., AL: Will Records, (1892-1895).

**Nancy E. McCrary Dec'd Estate of** – Petition to Probate will – pg. 317 - 319

(pg 317) To the Hon Wm B Bridges, Judge of Probate Court of Jackson County, State of Alabama, Your petitioner R. A. Coffey, respectfully represents unto your honor that the late Nancy E. McCrary, who was an inhabitant of this county at the time of her death departed this life on the *blank* day of *blank*, 1895, leaving a last will and testament duly signed and published by her and attested by W. G. Petty and R. A. Coffey residents of said county in which your petitioner is named as Executor, which said will is herewith produced to your Honor and propounded for Probate and record in this Court, and the Beneficiaries in said will are all of said County, and State, viz: John D. McCrary, Mary E. Walker, wife of David Walker, Francis Knight, wife of R. F. Knight and Joseph J. Allison. Wherefore your petitioner prays that a day may be set for hearing this petition; that due notice thereof as required by law to all interested parties of said Estate or deceased party and that such made in the premises as may be requisite and proper to effect the due Probate and recording of said will according to law.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 20<sup>th</sup> day of July 1895, Wm B Bridges, Judge of Probate, Filed July 20, 1895.

Signed: R. A. Coffey

Wm B Bridges, Judge of Probate

**Nancy E. McCrary Dec'd Estate of – Proof of Will**

(pg 318) State of Alabama, Jackson County: Probate Court of Jackson County. In the matter of the probate of the last will and testament of Nancy E. McCrary deceased, before Wm B. Bridges, Judge of said Court, personally appeared W. G. Petty and R. A. Coffey, in open Court, who having been by me, first duly sworn and examined, did and do depose, and say, on oath, that they are each subscribing witnesses to the instrument of writing, now shown to them and which purports to be the last will and testament of Nancy E. McCrary, since deceased, late an inhabitant of said County. That said Nancy E. McCrary, since deceased, signed and executed said instrument on the day the same bears date, and declared the same to be her last will and testament, and that affiants set their signatures thereto, on the day the same of the testator. That said the testator was of sound mind and capable of disposing memory, and in the opinion of deponents, fully capable of making her will at the time the same was so made, as aforesaid.

Affiants further state that the said testator was on the day of the said date of said will of the full age of twenty-one years and upwards. Sworn to and subscribed this Aug 22<sup>nd</sup> 1895. Wm B Bridges, Judge of Probate

Signed: W. G. Petty and R. A. Coffey

**Nancy E. McCrary Dec'd Last Will and Testament**

(pg 318) Know all men by these presents, that I, **Nancy E. McCrary**, being of sound mind and memory, do make, constitute, declare and establish this to be my last will and testament.

First I will and bequeath that all my Just debts and liabilities of every kind shall be paid out of my estate.

Second I will and bequeath to my beloved son, **John D. McCrary** an equal portion of my estate, being one third part of the net proceeds.

Third I will and bequeath to my beloved daughter **Francis C. Knight** an equal part of my estate being one third part of the net proceeds.

Fourth I will and bequeath to my two beloved Grand Children viz: **Joseph Allison** and his sister **Mrs. Mary E. Walker**, wife of **David Walker** an equal portion of my estate; that is the two last shall have only one share, that is one third part of my estate after expenses paid, and this last third part shall be equally divided between my two said Grand-Children, making one sixth of net proceeds my estate to said **Joseph Allison** and one sixth part to said **Mary E. Walker**, wife of said **David Walker**.

Fifth I appoint **Rice A. Coffey**, my sole executor of this my last will and testament. Witness my hand and seal this 15<sup>th</sup> day of May 1894.

**Nancy E. McCrary** (Her mark)

We W. G. Petty and R. A. Coffey hereby certify that Mrs. Nancy E. McCrary called us to witness her signature above which she stated in our presence that she signed her name above and stated to us it was her last will and testament.

May 15<sup>th</sup> 1894

Signed W. G. Petty and R. A. Coffey

The State of Alabama, Jackson County – I Wm B Bridges, Judge of the Court of Probate, in and for said County and state, do hereby certify, that the within instrument of writing, has this day, in said court, and before me, as the Judge thereof, been duly proven by the proper testimony, to be the genuine last will and testament of Nancy E. McCrary, deceased; and that said will together with said proof thereof have been recorded in my office. In witness whereof; I hereunto set my hand and seal of the said Court, Aug 22<sup>nd</sup> 1895. Wm B Bridges, Judge of Probate

**\*Note:** Grandchildren listed in the will of **Nancy E. (Dowell) McCrary: James Joseph Allison** (1853-1935), buried in Allen Cemetery, Jackson Co., AL. James Joseph Allison's sister **Mary Emeline (Allison) Walker** (1851-1935) md **David Solomon Walker** (1848-1927), both buried in Walker-Arnold Cemetery, Stevenson, Jackson Co., AL.

### **John Martin Dowell Obt**

b. 15 November 1857, Putnam Co., TN – d. 18 January 1932, Putnam Co., TN, age 74. Cause of Death: "I attended 9 January 1932 to 17 January 1932, died at 2 a.m. of apoplexy cerebral hemorrhage. Attended by: Lex Dyer M. D., Cookeville, TN. Father: **Squire John Hickman Dowell** - Mother: **Rebecca Bunes (Barnes) True**: Mrs. J. M. Dowell. Undertaker: Jere Whitson & Company. Burial: City Cemetery. Registrar: Thelma Moore. **John Martin Dowell was married 3 times: 1<sup>st</sup> Mary Addie Johnson, 2<sup>nd</sup> Cleora Byrne & 3<sup>rd</sup> Callie Belle Sherrell.** John Martin Dowell: DC #1221, 1<sup>st</sup> Civil Dist., Putnam Co., TN

\*See Cookeville City Cemetery, Putnam Co. TN

John Martin Dowell md 1<sup>st</sup> on the 8<sup>th</sup> of March 1875, Jackson Co., TN to **Mary Adeline "Addie" (Johnson) Loftis**, b. 16 July 1857 – d. 15 July 1894, buried in Draper Memorial Cemetery, Gainesboro, Jackson Co., TN (Cordell Hull Lake Removals to Gainesboro #850B).

**Source:** "*Jackson County, Tennessee Marriage & Death Records*", transcribed by: Shelia R McCarter Shrum & Betty C Meadows Scott, pg. 30: Martin Dowell married 8 March 1875, Jackson Co., TN to Mary A. Johnson.

John Martin Dowell md 2<sup>nd</sup> on the 15<sup>th</sup> of October 1896, Jackson Co., TN to **Cleora Byrne**, b. 2 December 1869, TN – d. 28 May 1921, d/o **Terrell Byrne**. Cleora (Byrne) Dowell is buried in Cookeville City Cemetery.

John Martin Dowell md 3<sup>rd</sup> **Callie Belle Sherrell**, b. 17 February 1887 – d. 22 February 1966, Putnam Co., TN, d/o **Jacob Wesley Sherrell** (1859-1919) & **Lucy Ann Brown** (1858-1900). They were married on the 31<sup>st</sup> of March 1926, Birmingham, AL. No children.

John Martin Dowell, brother of **Mary Etta (Dowell) Loftis**, b. 8 March 1865, TN – d. 18 April 1940, Cookeville, TN md **John Martin Loftis**, b. 5 November 1857, Jackson Co., TN – d. 19 October 1906, s/o **Reuben Hickman Loftis** (1835-1890) & **Harriett Montgomery Johnson** (1837-1892).

**Source:** *Putnam County, Tennessee: Richard F. Cooke's Survey or Plat Book 1825-1839*, by Works Professional and Service Projects, pg 396.

(P-1056): **John M. Dowell:** By virtue of Entry No. 2476 for 25 acres Dated 14<sup>th</sup> of February 1837-I have surveyed for **John M. Dowell** 25 acres in said country on the waters of Mine Lick and on the East side of the same Beginning on a Tract entered by **Joseph Green** and about 15 poles East of the north East corner of said Tract running north 66 2/3 poles to a beech thence west crossing a branch at 16 poles in all 60 poles to a Hickory on the point of a Ridge said Dowells corner of his home field Tract – thence south with the west Boundary line of **Elias Greens** 362 acre Tract 66 2/3 poles to a Dogwood and Cucumber tree thence East with the north B. line of said 10 acre Tract 60, poles to the Beginning. Surveyed January 16<sup>th</sup> 1839, R, F, Cooke, Sur.

**Source:** Jackson County Tennessee Land Records:

**LAND GRANTS:** Prior to 1998, a large ledger or land entry book was return to the Jackson County Land office. The ledger book states that the "entries hereinafter copied are taken from Little Entry Takers Book now on file in the Registers Office of Jackson County, Tennessee and



are copied herein pursuant to Section 2924 and succeeding sections of M&V Code. Copied and collected by W. W. Draper and T. G. Settle Jr. acting as Deputy Entry Takers for said County, they having been first qualified as the law directs." The ledger includes the "Old Book and Page numbers" but does not seem to correspond to the grant numbers in Record Group 50 which Betty Huff Bryant has transcribed. I copied the ledger and now I am making my transcription of the ledger available, Cass Butler.

**Source:** Jackson County Tennessee Land Records: (Ruben H. Dowel – 4 September 1847), pg. 304:

**Ruben H. Dowel** enters twenty five acres of land in said county on the waters of Blackburns fork of Roaring River beginning at a double black oak the north **east corner of John Dowels fifty acre track** running thence south twelve degrees west with the east boundary line of said track 38 poles to a black oak **Seth Hills** original northwest corner thence east with the north boundary line of the said Hills tracke to the north easte corner thence south to a stake in **George Clintons** north boundary line thence easte with said line to **Sam Whitacres** west boundary line thence north with said **Whitacres** line to a stake thence west to the beginning including and excluding a part of the said **John Dowells** 50-acre trac.

**Pvt Reuben Hickman Dowell**

Served in CO B, 42<sup>nd</sup> Missouri Infantry. Enlisted at the age of 18 on September 15, 1864. Died in the Post Hospital from measles.

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