

Family Group Sheet		Husband's Full Name James Madison Loftis			
		Date of:	Day Month Year	Town County State or Country	Additional Info.
Information Obtained From:		Birth:	13 February 1811	near Tigerville, Greenville Co., SC	Arrived in Jackson
Loftis and the		Marriage:	22 March 1832	Jackson Co., TN	Co., TN on a wagon
Descendants of Laban		Death:	About 1902	Jackson Co., TN	train with his family
Loftis by Jimmie R. Loftis & Bobbie H. Bryant.		Burial:	Tombstone state: b. 13 February 1810.	Old "Mat" Loftis Cemetery, Morrison's Creek Road, Jackson Co., TN	In late 1816 or early 1817.
(Pgs.) 297,298,333,347,363, 366, 387,399,400 and Throughout the book.		Places of Residence: Tigerville, SC, Jackson Co., TN			
		Occupation:	Religion:	Military Record: Pvt., G. Co., 13 th Cavalry Bn. Civil War	
		Other wives		13 th Cavalry Bn. Civil War	
		His Father:	Laban Loftis	His Mother:	Elizabeth Holcombe
James Madison		Wife's Full Maiden Name Sarah Elvira "Elviry" Dowell			
served in the		Wife's Full Maiden Name Sarah Elvira "Elviry" Dowell			
Confederate Army		Date of:	Day Month Year	Town County State or Country	Additional Info.
Pvt. G Co. 13 th		Birth:	13 February 1810	Jackson Co., TN	
Cavalry Bn		Marriage:	22 March 1832	Jackson Co., TN	
Compiler: ajlambert.com		Death:	15 February 1897	Jackson Co., TN	
Audrey J. Lambert		Burial:		Old "Mat" Loftis Cemetery, Jackson Co., TN	
39721 Timberlane		Places of Residence: Jackson Co., TN			
Sterling Heights, Michigan 48310		Occupation:	Religion:	Military Record:	
Date: July 16, 1999		Other husbands:			
		Her Father:	John Dowell	Her Mother:	Sarah Elizabeth Hickman
Sex:	Children's Full Names:	Date of:	Day Month Year	Town County State or Country	Additional Info.
M	1. John Martin Loftis	Birth:	18 February 1833	Jackson Co., TN	Called Martin or Matt-Church of
		Marriage:	17 November 1852	Jackson Co., TN	Christ preacher &
	Full Name of Spouse: Celina Johnson b. 10 June 1835 d. 21 Nov. 1903	Death:	15 July 1902	Jackson Co., TN	Store owner. Served in the Confederate Army during the Civil War as Pvt., G Co., 38 th Infantry.
		Burial:	Both buried in the	Old Mat Loftis Cemetery Morrison's Creek, Gainesboro, Jackson Co., TN	Celina was known As a lady doctor. Dau. of Samuel & Nancy Maranda (Jones) Johnson
M	2. Reuben Hickman Loftis	Birth:	10 February 1835	Jackson Co., TN	"Hickman P"
		Marriage:	12 November 1850		Harriet is Celina
	Full Name of Spouse: Harriet Montgomery Johnson b. 22 Sept. 1837 Jackson Co., TN d. 14 December 1892	Death:	November 1890	Jackson Co., TN	Johnson's sister (see
		Burial:			#1. Spouse). Dau. of Samuel & Nancy Maranda (Jones) Johnson.
F	3. Frances America Loftis	Birth:	17 April/January 1837	(b. 9 Sept. 1827 Cem Record) Jackson Co., TN	
		Marriage:	ca. 1853		John and Frances
	Full Name of Spouse: John Pierce Loftis b. 3 August 1833 Jackson Co., TN d. 8 Sept. 1911	Death:	9 September 1914	Jackson Co., TN	were 1 st cousins.
		Burial:		Old "Mat" Loftis Cemetery, Jackson Co., TN	Son of Thomas Jefferson & Parlitha (Gallion) Loftis.

CHILDREN CONTINUATION SHEET for FAMILY GROUP No.

Husband's full name James Madison Loftis

Wife's full maiden name Sarah Elvira Dowell

Sex:	Children's Full Names:	Date of:	Day Month Year	Town County State or Country	Additional Info.	
F	4. Sarah "Sallie" "Sack" Elvira Loftis	Birth:	6 March 1839	Jackson Co., TN		
		Chr'nd			Jesse/Jessy	
	Full Name of Spouse: Jessy Headdy/Heady s/o David & Hulda (Head) Heady	Marriage:				b. 5 March 1841
		Death:				d. 18 October 1889
	5. P.W. Loftis	Birth:	7 April 1842	Jackson Co., TN		
		Chr'nd				
	Full Name of Spouse:	Marriage:				
		Death:				
M	6. James Madison Loftis Jr.	Birth:	8 March 1844	Jackson Co., TN		
		Chr'nd				
	Full Name of Spouse: Sarah "Surry" Jane Dill b. March 1860 d. 8 June 1939	Marriage:	5 October 1880	Jackson Co., TN		Called "Crippled
		Death:	21 March 1926	Jackson Co., TN		Jimmie" he had polio when he was 5. Sarah is the dau. of Roland & Nancy Carolyn Dill.
F	7. Clerry Tennessee Loftis	Birth:	5 February 1846	Jackson Co., TN		
		Marriage:				
	Full Name of Spouse: Andrew P. Davis Gentry	Death:	27 August 1899			
		Burial:		Old "Mat" Loftis Cemetery,		
M	8. George Rufus "Ruff" Loftis	Birth:	21 November 1848 according to family Bible, Jackson Co., TN	1 October 1848 recorded on tombstone inscription-Holdenville Cemetery, Holdenville, OK		
		Chr'nd				
	Full Name of Spouse: Sallie (Sarah) Elizabeth Chaffin b. 28 Dec. 1846 Jackson Co., TN d. 3 May 1922 Holdenville, OK	Marriage:	1864	Jackson Co., TN		
		Death:	18 July 1932	Holdenville, Hughes Co., OK		Sarah was the dau. of Abner & Elizabeth Young Chaffin & Grandaughter of Barbara Gallion & Robert Young.
F	9. Sophie Elizabeth "Besty" Loftis	Birth:	13 February 1851	Jackson Co., TN		
		Chr'nd				
	Full Name of Spouse: William C. "Bill" Gore	Marriage:				
		Death:	25 March 1939	Nashville, Davidson Co., TN		
F	10. Parsetta (Parzetta) Loftis	Birth:	25 February 1855	Jackson Co., TN		
		Chr'nd				Noah son of Thomas
	Full Name of Spouse: Noah G. Gentry	Marriage:				and Rebeckah
		Death:	19 June 1928	Barton Co., MO		(Brown) Gentry

(1852-1936)

Burial:

Iantha Cemetery, Barton Co., MO

CHILDREN CONTINUATION SHEET for FAMILY GROUP No.

Husband's full name James Madison Loftis

Wife's full maiden name Sarah Elvira Dowell

Child: #11 Infant born and died in Jackson Co., TN.



John Pierce Loftis b. 3 August 1833 – d. 8 September 1911. Son of Thomas Jefferson Loftis who married Frances America Loftis b. 17 January 1837- d. 9 September 1914. Daughter of James Madison Loftis.



James Madison & Sarah Elvira Dowell
d/o of John & Sarah (Hickman) Dowell

Photo from the book Loftis and the Descendants of Laban Loftis, by Jimmie R. Loftis & Bobbie H. Bryant
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James Madison (Cripple Jimmy) Loftis on his horse "Old Roan" (b. 8 March 1844 Jackson Co., TN d. 21 March 1926 Jackson Co., TN).

Photo from the book Loftis and the Descendants of Laban Loftis,
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Buried in Loftis Cemetery, Morrisons Creek, Jackson Co., TN.

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Additional information:

Celina (Johnson) Loftis sister of Harriet Montgomery (Johnson) Loftis:

John Martin Loftis (called Martin or Matt) b. 18 February 1833, Jackson Co., TN – d. 15 July 1902, Jackson Co., TN – md 17 November 1852, Jackson Co., TN to Celina Johnson b. 10 June 1835, Jackson Co., TN- d. 21 November 1903, Jackson Co., TN – d/o Samuel & Nancy Maranda (Jones) Johnson. Celina was known as a lady doctor and John Martin was a Church of Christ preacher. He also owned a store on Morrison's Creek, Gainesboro, TN where "Cripple" John Chaffin once worked. John Martin Loftis served in the Confederate Army during the Civil War as Pvt. G Co., 38th Infantry. John Martin and Celina are both buried in the Loftis Cemetery, Morrison's Creek, Gainesboro, Jackson Co., TN.



Picture of John Martin & Celina (Johnson) Loftis
According to 1860 & 1880 TN Census their children:
From the book Loftis & the Descendants of Laban

Loftis

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| 8.1.1 | William Asbury Loftis | b. 1855 |
| 8.1.2 | Francis Marion Loftis | b. 1857 |
| 8.1.3 | Mary Ann "Polly" Loftis | b. 1859 |
| 8.1.4 | Nancy Jane Loftis | b. 1862 |
| 8.1.5 | Martin Van Buren Loftis | b. 1864 |
| 8.1.6 | Sarah Elvira Loftis | b. 1866 |
| 8.1.7 | Hickman Pierce Loftis | b. 1868 |
| 8.1.8 | Harriet Loftis | b. 1870 |
| 8.1.9 | Daniel N. Loftis (twin) | b. 1874 |
| 8.1.10 | Daniel Loftis (twin) | b. 1874 |
| 8.1.11 | Henry Harrison Loftis | b. 1875 |

John Martin Loftis and wife Celina Johnson Loftis. John Martin Loftis, 1833-1902, was the son of James Madison Loftis and Sarah Elvira Dowell, believed to be the daughter of John Dowell and Sarah Hickman Dowell. James Madison Loftis was the son of Laban Loftis and Elizabeth Loftis who came to the Morrison Creek area of Jackson County in 1818 when James was seven years old. John Martin Loftis was a farmer, a Church of Christ preacher and he ran a country store. He served in the confederate army. Celina was the daughter of Samuel Johnson and Maranda Jones Johnson. She was known as a medical doctor in the community. It is unknown if she had any formal training. They had ten children. Courtesy Mitchell Judd.



Photo from the book Loftis and the
Descendants of Laban Loftis,
by Jimmie R. Loftis & Bobbie H. Bryant
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Source: Stray Leaves From Putnam County Tennessee by Mary Hopson:

The William Francis "Billy" Gentry family. Left to right, front row: **William Francis "Billy" Gentry**, holding his grandson Herman Gentry; his wife, **Angeline Loftis Gentry**; John Preston Gentry, Brunetta Mayberry Gentry, wife of John Preston Gentry, holding their son; and Noah Hensley and wife, Pearsettia Gentry Hensley, holding their child. Standing, left to right: America Gentry Hensley, Hendeson Brown Gentry, William Jackson Gentry, Linus Roscoe Gentry, Matthias Gentry, and Lester D. Gentry. Courtesy Hurshal Riddle, 355 Lone Oak Dr., Cookeville, TN
William Francis "Billy" Gentry was the s/o Thomas C. & Rebeckah (Brown) Gentry.
Angeline Loftis Gentry was the d/o John Pierce Loftis & Frances America Loftis
John Pierce & Frances were 1st cousins.

* See Chapter 11: www.ajlambert.com

Source: Jackson County Tennessee Cemetery Inscriptions 1801 – 2003: Including Some Genealogy

By **Larry Earl Mabry & Reda Knight Bilbrey**: *Following information is from this book:*

HENSLEY CEMETERY SEVEN KNOBS COMMUNITY: 516 – 522

Civil Dist. 9. From Gainesboro take Hwy 56 W. to Center Grove Circle and turn left or go to Sta-Lo Market and turn left and go to Seven Knobs Road, and turn on it (right or left depends on which way you approach from Center Grove Circle) you can only turn one way on Seven Knobs road. After passing the Freewill Church you will turn left on Hensley Cemetery Road, cemetery is only 150 to 200 feet from Seven Knob Road. In 1928 it was called Freewill Cemetery and it is well kept, under chain length fence with large Poplar trees. Graves are decorated, and grounds are neat and clean. Last visited 1 September 2003.

Francis Marion Loftis – b. 31 December 1896 – d. 24 January 1927, s/o Melvin Pierce Loftis & Louvina Loftis

TENN PVT. US ARMY md 4 January 1920 to Louvada Gentry (*See Chapter 11: www.ajlambert.com)

Melvin Pierce Loftis – b. 12 September 1867 – d. 23 July 1920, s/o John P. Loftis & Frances America Loftis
1920 Jackson Co., TN Death Certificate #237 has name Pierce Melvin. He md Louvina Loftis.

Louvina Loftis – b. 10 October 1876 – d. 5 December 1963, d/o Francis Marion Loftis

Henry Loftis – b. 2 August 1919 – d. 12 August 1919, s/o Melvin Pierce Loftis & Louvina Loftis

Ada C. Loftis – b. 21 November 1904 – d. 30 October 1918, d/o Melvin Pierce Loftis & Louvina Loftis
1918 Jackson Co., TN Death Certificate #144 has Ada died 30 October 1918.

Nancy Elizabeth “Lizzie” Hensley – b. 17 April 1880 – d. 22 June 1938, d/o Francis Marion Loftis – b. 30 July 1857, Jackson Co., TN.
(Francis Marion Loftis md Mary Jane Chaffin & md Sally (Hensley) Chaffin) (*See Chapter 11: www.ajlambert.com)

Billie P. Hensley – b. 29 June 1879 – d. 9 February 1930, s/o Benjamin Asberry Hensley & Mary Haney. Billie P. Hensley md Nancy Elizabeth “Lizzie” Loftis.

Lizzie Loretta Hensley – b. 7 July 1894 – d. 10 October 1935, d/o Melvin Pierce Loftis & Louvina Loftis

David Frank Hensley – b. 10 October 1892 – d. 7 May 1944. He md Loretta Lizzie Loftis.

Infant Anderson – d. 3 March 1931, s/o Hop T. Anderson & Lora L. Loftis

Hop T. Anderson – b. 5 August 1908 – d. 8 May 1972, c/o Calvin D. Anderson & America Young
TENN CPL HQ CO 3 CAMP BN WWII CH: Calvin Glen. He md Lora L. Loftis.

Lora L. Anderson – b. 23 October 1914 – d. 11 May 2003, d/o Melvin Pierce Loftis & Louvina Loftis

Harvie Lee Loftis – b. 16 December 1901 – d. 16 February 1972, s/o Melvin Pierce Loftis & Louvina Loftis. He md Icie Ann Ballard.

Icie Ann Loftis - b. 6 October 1902 – d. 6 May 1996, d/o Albert Ballard & Susie Martin. She md 4 January 1920 Harvie Lee Loftis.

Vio Swope – b. 23 January 1923 – d. 18 September 1956, d/o Harvie Lee Loftis & Icie Ann Ballard

Clyde “Lamon Clyde” Loftis – b. 9 July 1929 – d. 20 March 1978, s/o Harvie Lee Loftis & Ice Ann Ballard. He md Mary Elizabeth Garrison.

Mary Elizabeth Loftis – b. 12 April 1930 – d. 17 March 1991, d/o Mont Garrison & Martha Loftis. She md 8 November 1952, Clyde Loftis.

Albert Ray Loftis – b. 17 February 1927 – d. 14 September 1983, s/o Harvie Lee Loftis & Ice Ann Ballard. He md Marjorie J. Bryant.

Marjorie J. Loftis – b. 27 May 1930, d/o Mr. & Mrs. Bryant. She md Albert Ray Loftis.

Dennis Lamar Loftis – b. 28 December 1951 – d. 13 August 1978, s/o Albert Ray Loftis & Marjorie J. Ballard. His obt. has that he is the s/o Al Loftis & Marjorie Bryant. Child: Dennis James Loftis.

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Civil Dist. 1, Jackson Co., TN – From Gainesboro take Hwy. 53 toward Granville. Turn first right Hwy 262. Just before you get to the Frank G. Clement Bridge turn right on Freestate Road. Go approximately ½ mile on the right is the home of George Dudney mail box number 2895. Behind his home is a small cemetery. Copied 1 June 1996.

Jessy/Jessie Headdy/Heady – b. 5 March 1841 – d. 18 October 1889 md Sarah Elvira “Sallie” Loftis

Sarah Elvira “Sallie” Headdy/Heady – b. 6 March 1839, d/o James Madison Loftis & Sarah Elvira Dowell

Fuqua – infant of W. Thomas Fuqua & Ella Heady

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W. Thomas Fuqua – b. 5 June 1865 – d. 29 March 1923, s/o John R. Fuqua & Letha J. Gentry md Ella Loftis on 20 September 1890

Ella Fuqua – b. 5 January 1878 – d. 6 August 1936, d/o Jessy/Jesse Heady & Sarah Elvira Loftis

John “Cuttie” Jackson – b. 1863 – d. 1926 (*Jackson County Sentinel*, 10 April 1929, *obt. has about 70 yrs., married 1st time, 5 children & he md a 2nd time.*)

Leslie Charles Lee – b. 1927 – d. 10 July 1937, s/o Charles & Bessie Lee

(*Jackson County Sentinel*, 15 July 1937 gives death date)

James M. Loftice/Loftis in the Tennessee, Early Tax List Records, 1783-1895

1836 - 9th Dist, Jackson Co., TN

<u>Name of person</u>	<u>White Polls</u>	<u>Tax (on White Polls)</u>	<u>Amount of State Tax</u>	<u>Total State and County Tax</u>
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#79 Loftice, James M.	(1)	(0.25)	(0.12 ½)	(0.25)
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1840 CENSUS – JACKSON CO., TN Dist. 9

James M Loftis

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[James M Loftes]

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

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*

Levira Loftis 40 F W TN *Sarah Elvira Dowell, d/o John Dowell & Sarah Hickman. Name listed as Levina.*

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

Ruben H. 15 M W TN *Reuben Hickman 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*

1860 CENSUS– JACKSON CO., TN Dist. 9, South of the Cumberland River – Post Office: Gainesboro

Dwl: 865 Family: 865 Line: 11

John M Loftis 27 M TN Farmer (Value of real estate, 800) (Value of personal estate, 300) TN *John Martin Loftis*

Celina Loftis 25 F TN *Celina Johnson, d/o Samuel Johnson & Nancy Maranda Jones*

William Loftis 6 M TN *William Asbury Loftis md Mary Louvernia Anderson, d/o James Almon Anderson & Elizabeth Sims*

Marion Loftis 3 M TN *Francis Marion Loftis md 1st Mary Jane Chaffin – md 2nd Sally (Hensley) Chaffin*

Polly Loftis 1 F TN *Mary Ann "Polly Ann" Loftis md Simon L. Gentry, s/o Thomas Gentry & Rebecca Brown*

Parah Price 17 F TN

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– JACKSON CO., TN Dist. 9, South of the Cumberland River – Post Office: Gainesboro

Dwl: 870 Family: 870 Line: 4

John Loftis 27 M Farmer (Value of real estate, 500) TN *John Pierce Loftis, s/o Thos. Jefferson & Parlitha Gallion Loftis*

America Loftis 22 F TN *Frances America Loftis, d/o James Madison Loftis & Sarah Elvira Dowell*

Louvernia Loftis 6 F TN *Louvernia "Verny" Loftis md Henderson Brown Gentry*

Angeline Loftis 4 F TN *Angeline Loftis md William Francis Gentry*

James Loftis 1 M TN *James Thomas Loftis*

1870 CENSUS – JACKSON CO., TN Dist. 1 – Post Office: Gainesboro

Dwl: 79 Family: 79 Line: 12

Jesse Headdy 30 M W Grocer (Value of real estate, 800) (Value of personal estate, 400) TN

Sarah E. Headdy 31 F W Keeping House TN *Sarah “Sallie” “Sack” Elvira Loftis, d/o James Madison Loftis & Sarah Elvira Dowell*

Sampson Headdy 5 M W TN

Clara T. Headdy 2 F W TN

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*

Sopha 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 *grandson of James Madison Loftis.*

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

Dwl: 35 Family: 35 Line: 1

Hickman Loftis 35 M W Farmer (Value of real estate, 800) (Value of personal estate, 1,200) TN

Reuben Hickman Loftis md Harriett Montgomery Johnson

Harriet Loftis 33 F W Keeping House TN *Harriett Montgomery Johnson, d/o Samuel Johnson & Nancy Jones.*

Martin Loftis 12 M W TN *John Martin Loftis md Mary Etta Dowell*

Samuel Loftis 10 M W TN *Samuel Johnson Loftis md Addiville Anderson*

James M. Loftis 8 M W TN *James Madison Loftis md 1st Lula Anderson – md 2nd Ida Hamilton – md 3rd Brunett Brooks Faust Claiborne.*

Pierce W. Loftis 6 M W TN *Pierce Winchester Loftis md 1st Mary Barbara “Polly Betty” Chaffin – md 2nd Mimie “Nancy” Ollie Chaffin md 3rd Clara Roberts*

Henry H. Loftis 4 M W TN *Henry Harrison Loftis md Mary Johnson.*

Unnamed Loftis 1 M W TN *William Sanford Loftis md Virgia Freeman*

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

Dwl: 39 Family: 39 Line: 25

John P. Loftis 38 M W Farmer (Value of real estate, 200) (Value of personal estate, 300)TN

John Pierce Loftis, s/o Thos. Jefferson & Parlitha Gallion Loftis

America Loftis 28 F W TN *Frances America Loftis, d/o James Madison Loftis & Sarah Elvira Dowell*

Angeline Loftis 14 F W TN *Angeline Loftis md William Francis Gentry*

James Loftis 10 M W TN *James Thomas Loftis*

Hickman Loftis 8 M W TN *Hickman Pierce Loftis md Shulie Haney*

Franklin Loftis 5 M W TN *Franklin Willis Loftis never married.*

Pierce M. Loftis 2 M W TN *Melvin Pierce Loftis md Louvinia Loftis.*

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

Dwl: 50 Family: 50 Line: 1

John M. Loftis 37 M W Farmer (Value of real estate, 800) (Value of personal estate, 885) TN *John Martin Loftis*

Celina Loftis 35 F W Keeping House TN *Celina Johnson, d/o Samuel Johnson & Nancy Maranda Jones*

Sarah Loftis 25 F W TN

Asbury Loftis 15 M W TN *William Asbury Loftis md Mary Louvernia Anderson*

Marion Loftis 12 M W TN *Francis Marion Loftis md 1st Mary Jane Chaffin – md 2nd Sally (Hensley) Chaffin*

Maryann Loftis 11 F W TN *Mary Ann “Polly Anna” Loftis md Simon L. Gentry, s/o Thos. Gentry & Rebecca Brown*

Nancy Loftis 9 F W TN *Nancy “Nanny” Jane Loftis md William Horace Anderson*

John M. Loftis 5 M W TN *Martin Van Buren Loftis md Lettie Vio Cooper*

Elvira Loftis 4 F W TN *Sarah Elvira Loftis md Jones Henderson Chaffin*

Hickman Loftis 1 M W TN *Hickman Pierce Loftis md Laranie “Lorina” Jackson, d/o Logan Jackson*

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

Dwl: 10 Family: 10 Line: 7

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

	Relation	Sex	Marr	Race	Age	Birthplace
James M. LOFTIS	Self	M	M	W	70	SC

	Occ:	Farmer	Fa: ENG	Mo: VA		
Elvira LOFTIS		Wife	F	M	W	70 KY
	Occ:	Keeping House	Fa: VA	Mo: VA		
James M. LOFTIS		Son	M	S	W	36 TN
			Fa: SC	Mo: KY		
Sarah J. DILL		Other	F	S	W	24 TN
	Occ:	Servant	Fa: TN	Mo: TN		
Charles PRYOR		Other	M	S	W	12 TN
	Occ:	Servant	Fa: TN	Mo: TN		

(Source: Tennessee State Marriage record, Jackson Co., TN, pg. 513 – James M. Loftis married 2 October 1880, Jackson Co., TN to Sarah Dill).

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

Dwl: 19 Family: 19 Line: 42

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

	Relation	Sex	Marr	Race	Age	Birthplace
Davis GENTRY	Self	M	M	W	26	TN
	Occ:	Farmer	Fa: TN	Mo: TN		
Clara T. GENTRY	Wife	F	M	W	34	TN
	Occ:	Keeping House	Fa: SC	Mo: KY		
George W. GENTRY	Son	M	S	W	3	TN
			Fa: TN	Mo: TN		
Sarah E. GENTRY	Dau	F	S	W	1	TN
			Fa: TN	Mo: TN		

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

Dwl: 21 Family: 21 Line: 49

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

	Relation	Sex	Marr	Race	Age	Birthplace
John P. LOFTIS	Self	M	M	W	46	TN
	Occ:	Farmer	Fa: TN	Mo: TN		
Francis A. LOFTIS	Wife	F	M	W	42	TN
	Occ:	Keeping House	Fa: SC	Mo: KY		
Hickman P. LOFTIS	Son	M	S	W	18	TN
	Occ:	Works On Farm	Fa: TN	Mo: TN		
Franklin W. LOFTIS	Son	M	S	W	15	TN
	Occ:	Works On Farm	Fa: TN	Mo: TN		
Pierce M. LOFTIS	Son	M	S	W	13	TN
	Occ:	Works On Farm	Fa: TN	Mo: TN		
Sophie E. LOFTIS	Dau	F	S	W	8	TN
	Occ:	At Home	Fa: TN	Mo: TN		
Elvira LOFTIS	Dau	F	S	W	6	TN
			Fa: TN	Mo: TN		
Fannie B. LOFTIS	Dau	F	S	W	3	TN
			Fa: TN	Mo: TN		

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

Dwl: 22 Family: 22 Line: 7

Source: FHL Film 1255264 National Archives Film T9-1264 Page 199C

	Relation	Sex	Marr	Race	Age	Birthplace
John M. LOFTIS	Self	M	M	W	47	TN
	Occ:	Farmer	Fa: SC	Mo: KY		
Celina LOFTIS	Wife	F	M	W	44	TN
	Occ:	Keeping House	Fa: TN	Mo: TN		
Nancy J. LOFTIS	Dau	F	S	W	17	TN
	Occ:	At Home	Fa: TN	Mo: TN		
John M. LOFTIS	Son	M	S	W	15	TN
	Occ:	At Home	Fa: TN	Mo: TN		
Elvira S. LOFTIS	Dau	F	S	W	13	TN
	Occ:	At Home	Fa: TN	Mo: TN		



Hickman P. LOFTIS	Son	M	S	W	11	TN
Occ: At Home		Fa: TN	Mo: TN			
Harriett LOFTIS	Dau	F	S	W	9	TN
Occ: At Home		Fa: TN	Mo: TN			
Daniel N. LOFTIS	Son	M	S	W	6	TN
		Fa: TN	Mo: TN			
Henry H. LOFTIS	Son	M	S	W	4	TN
		Fa: TN	Mo: TN			
Samuel J. LOFTIS	Son	M	S	W	1	TN
		Fa: TN	Mo: TN			
Sarah PRYOR	Other	F	S	W	36	TN
Occ: At Home		Fa: TN	Mo: TN			

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

Dwl: 28 Family: 28 Line: 27

Source: FHL Film 1255264 National Archives Film T9-1264 Page 199C

	Relation	Sex	Marr	Race	Age	Birthplace
George R. LOFTIS	Self	M	M	W	32	TN
Occ: Farmer	Fa: SC	Mo: KY				
Sallie LOFTIS	Wife	F	M	W	34	TN
Occ: Keeping House	Fa: TN	Mo: TN				
Abner LOFTIS	Son	M	S	W	14	TN
Occ: Works On Farm	Fa: TN	Mo: TN				
Martha E. LOFTIS	Dau	F	S	W	12	TN
Occ: At Home	Fa: TN	Mo: TN				
James M. LOFTIS	Son	M	S	W	10	TN
Occ: Works On Farm	Fa: TN	Mo: TN				
Parsetta C. LOFTIS	Dau	F	S	W	8	TN
Occ: At Home	Fa: TN	Mo: TN				
Harriett LOFTIS	Other	F	S	W	3	TN
	Fa: TN	Mo: TN				
Sallie E. LOFTIS	Other	F	S	W	1	TN
	Fa: TN	Mo: TN				

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

Dwl: 29 Family: 29 Line: 45

Source: FHL Film 1255264 National Archives Film T9-1264 Page 199C

	Relation	Sex	Marr	Race	Age	Birthplace
Hickman LOFTIS	Self	M	M	W	45	TN
<i>(Reuben Hickman Loftis, f/o Ray Kirk Loftis. Reuben was the s/o James Madison "Matt" Loftis & Sarah Elvira Dowell).</i>						
Occ: Farmer	Fa: SC	Mo: KY				
Harriett LOFTIS	Wife	F	M	W	43	TN
Occ: Keeping House	Fa: TN	Mo: TN				
<i>(Harriet Montgomery Johnson, d/o Samuel Johnson & Nancy Maranda Jones).</i>						
John M. LOFTIS	Son	M	S	W	22	TN
Occ: Works On Farm	Fa: TN	Mo: TN				
<i>(John Martin Loftis md Mary Etta Dowell).</i>						
James M. LOFTIS	Son	M	S	W	15	TN
Occ: Works On Farm	Fa: TN	Mo: TN				
<i>(James Madison Loftis md 1st Lula Anderson, md 2nd Ida Hamilton, md 3rd Brunette Brooks).</i>						
Pierce W. LOFTIS	Son	M	S	W	13	TN
Occ: Works On Farm	Fa: TN	Mo: TN				
<i>(Pierce Winchester Loftis md 1st Mary Barbara (Polly Betty) Chaffin, md 2nd Mimie (Nancy) Ollie Chaffin, md 3rd Clara Roberts).</i>						
Wm. S. LOFTIS	Son	M	S	W	10	TN
Occ: Works On Farm	Fa: TN	Mo: TN				
<i>(William Sanford Loftis md Virgia Freeman).</i>						
Mary B. LOFTIS	Dau	F	S	W	4	TN
		Fa: TN	Mo: TN			
<i>(Mary "Bettie" Bell Loftis md Mills West)</i>						
Nancy J. LOFTIS	Dau	F	S	W	2	TN

Fa: TN Mo: TN

(Nancy Jane Loftis md Irvin Wooten).

Census Place: 1880 District 1, Jackson Co., Tennessee

Dwl: 279 Family: 285 Line: 2

Source: FHL Film 1255264 National Archives Film T9-1264 Page 185D

	Relation	Sex	Marr	Race	Age	Birthplace
Noah GENTRY	Self	M	M	W	24	TN
	Occ: Farmer		Fa: TN	Mo: TN		
Parsetta C. GENTRY	Wife	F	M	W	23	TN
	Occ: Keeping House		Fa: TN	Mo: TN		
Rufus GENTRY	Son	M	S	W	7	TN
			Fa: TN	Mo: TN		
Davis GENTRY	Son	M	S	W	2	TN
			Fa: TN	Mo: TN		

Census Place: 1880 District 1, Jackson Co., Tennessee

Dwl: 269 Family: 275 Line: 50

Source: FHL Film 1255264 National Archives Film T9-1264 Page 184B

	Relation	Sex	Marr	Race	Age	Birthplace
Jesse H. HEADY	Self	M	M	W	40	TN
	Occ: Farmer		Fa: TN	Mo: TN		
Sallie E. HEADY	Wife	F	M	W	41	TN
	Occ: Keeping House		Fa: TN	Mo: NC		
Sampson HEADY	Son	M	S	W	14	TN
	Occ: Works On Farm		Fa: TN	Mo: TN		
Tennessee HEADY	Dau	F	S	W	12	TN
	Occ: At Home		Fa: TN	Mo: TN		
Billie HEADY	Son	M	S	W	5	TN
			Fa: TN	Mo: TN		
Elvira HEADY	Dau	F	S	W	3	TN
			Fa: TN	Mo: TN		

1900 CENSUS – JACKSON CO., TN Dist. 9 – Post Office: Gainesboro

Dwl: 12 Family: 12 Line: 59

John M Loftis Head 67 M W February 1833 Married (# of yrs. married, 47) Farmer TN SC SC

Celina Loftis Wife 64 F W June 1835 Married (# of yrs. married, 47) (11 children born, 10 children living) TN TN TN

Samuel Loftis Son 21 M W January 1879 Married (# of yrs. married, 1) TN TN TN

Mariam Loftis Wife 22 F W July 1877 Married (# of yrs. married, 1) TN TN TN *Mariam (Marm) Fox*

Eliza Green Servant 28 F W May 1872 Single TN TN TN

Ida Green Dau. 6 F W August 1893 Single TN TN TN

(1900 census Civil Dist. 9, White Co., TN: Dwl: 244 - **Martin Loftis** is head of household, 42 yrs. old, b. November 1857, TN, md 14 yrs. to **Mary**, 35 yrs. old, b. March 1865, (6 children born, 6 children living). Children: Bulah, 10 yrs. old, b. June 1889; Clara, 8 yrs. old, b. July 1891; Clarence, 7 yrs. old, b. August 1893; Clio, 5 yrs. old, August 1894; Claud E., 3 yrs. old, b. July 1896 & Earl Loftis, 2 yrs. old, b. September 1897. All born in TN. Also living in the household: Edward Stone, 21 yrs. old, b. May 1879, servant, single, TN).

Mary Etta Loftis

[Mary Etta Dowell]

Birth Date: 8 Mar 1865

Age: 75

Death Date: 18 Apr 1940

Death Place: Cookeville, Civil District 1, Putnam, Tennessee

Gender: Female

Father's name: John Hickman Dowell

Mother's name: Rebecca Barnes

FHL Film Number: 1876887

1910 CENSUS – JACKSON CO., TN Dist. 9– Post Office: Gainesboro

Dwl: 26 Family: 26

John P. Loftis Head M W 76 M1 (# of yrs. married 57) Farmer TN TN TN *John Pierce Loftis*
America Loftis Wife F W 73 M1 (# of yrs. married 57) TN TN TN *Frances America Loftis*

1910 CENSUS – JACKSON CO., TN Dist. 9– Post Office: Gainesboro

Dwl: 27 Family: 27

George R. Jr. Loftis Head M W 24 M1 (# of yrs. married 4) Farmer TN TN TN
George Rufe Loftis, s/o John Pierce Loftis & Frances America Loftis
Mattie Loftis Wife F W 18 M1 (# of yrs. married 4) TN TN TN
Jones H. Loftis Son M W 3 Single TN TN TN *Jones H. Loftis md Fannie Maynard*
Morgan C. Loftis Son M W 1 1/12 Single TN TN TN *Morgan C. Loftis md Ira V. Hensley*

1910 CENSUS – JACKSON CO., TN Dist. 9– Post Office: Gainesboro

Dwl: 31 Family: 31

Marion Loftis Head M W 52 M1 (# of yrs. married 35) Farmer TN TN TN *Francis Marion Loftis, s/o John Martin Loftis & Celina Johnson.*
Mary Loftis Wife F W 53 M1 (# of yrs. married 35) TN TN TN *Mary Jane Chaffin, d/o Abner Chaffin & Elizabeth Young*
Martha Garrison Dau. F W 18 M1 (# of yrs. married 0) TN TN TN
Dwl: 31 Family: 32
Harvey L. Loftis Head M W 23 M1 (# of yrs. married 3) TN TN TN *Harvey Lee Loftis, s/o Francis Marion Loftis & Mary Jane Chaffin.*
Myrtie Loftis Wife F W 21 M1 (# of yrs. married 3) TN TN TN *Myrtie Lou Berry, d/o Johnson "Taunt" & Alice Rose Berry.*
Grace Loftis Dau. F W 7/12 Single TN TN TN *Eva Grace Loftis md Speck Broadus.*

1910 CENSUS – JACKSON CO., TN Dist. 9– Post Office: Gainesboro

Dwl: 38 Family: 38

Francis M. Loftis Head M W 46 M2 (# of yrs. married 12) Farmer TN TN TN
Francis Marion Loftis, s/o John Martin Loftis & Celina Johnson.
America Loftis Wife F W 30 M2 (# of yrs. married 12) TN TN TN *Mary Jane Chaffin, d/o Abner Chaffin & Elizabeth Young.*

1910 CENSUS – JACKSON CO., TN Dist. 9– Post Office: Gainesboro

Dwl: 58 Family: 58

James M. Loftis Head M W 66 M1 (# of yrs. married 30) Farmer TN TN TN
James Madison Loftis Jr.,(called Crippled Jimmy), s/o James Madison Loftis Sr. & Sarah Elvira Dowell.
Sarah Loftis Wife F W 52 M1 (# of yrs. married 30) TN TN TN *Sarah "Surry" Jane Dill, d/o Roland & Nancy Carolyn Dill.*
Ollie Loftis Dau F W 21 Single TN TN TN *Ollie Loftis md Robert "Bob" Fuqua.*
Mary Lou Loftis Dau F W 18 Single TN TN TN *Mary Lou Loftis md Cyrus Haden Rush.*
Demon Loftis Son M W 16 Single TN TN TN *Demmon James Loftis md Ada Rush. He was killed while plowing with mules.*
Elvly Loftis Dau F W 15 Single TN TN TN *Sally Elvira Loftis md 1st Omer McCarter – md 2nd Smith Leonard*
Gainesboro Loftis Dau F W 13 Single TN TN TN *Gainesboro Loftis md Jefferson Fox, s/o "Merdy" Fox & Eletha Fox.*
Rufus Loftis Son M W 11 Single TN TN TN *George Ruffy "Rufe" Loftis md Nola Belinda Crowder, d/o Arthur P. Crowder & Matilda Jane Herron.*

1920 CENSUS – PUTNAM CO., TN – Civil Dist. 7

Dwl: 208 Family: 212 Line: 1

Ray Loftis Head M W 37 Married Farmer General Farm TN TN TN
Claire Loftis Wife F W 30 Married TN TN TN *Clara Jeanette Birdwell, d/o Jones Birdwell & Virginia Ann W. Jackson.*
Lona Loftis Dau F W 18 Single Farm Laborer Home Farm TN TN TN *Lona Etta Loftis md Alvin Jackson*
Otis Loftis Son M W 14 Single Farm Laborer Home Farm TN TN TN *Milton Otis Loftis md Essie Avo Jernigan*
Clyde Loftis Son M W 9 Single Farm Laborer Home Farm TN TN TN *Clyde Mitchell Loftis md Hattie Thelma Gregory*
Clarence Loftis Son M W 7 Single TN TN TN *Clarence Loftis md Beatrice Mills*
Dona Lee Loftis Dau F W 4 5/12 Single TN TN TN *Dona Lee Loftis md Ponder Robert Lyle*
Lola B. Loftis Dau F W 1 5/12 Single TN TN TN *Lola Bea Loftis*
Virginia Birdwell Mother-in-Law F W 67 Widow TN TN TN
Virginia Ann W. Jackson, d/o Edward Silas Jackson & Elizabeth "Besty" Howell. Virginia md Jones M. Birdwell.

1920 CENSUS – PUTNAM CO., TN – Civil Dist. 9

Dwl: 210 Family: 210 Line: 17

Hickman P. Loftis M W Head 53 Married Farmer General Farm TN TN TN *Hickman Pierce Loftis, s/o John Martin Loftis & Celina Johnson.*
Laranie Loftis F W Wife 52 Married TN TN TN *Laranie "Lorina" Jackson, d/o Logan Jackson.*
Oplis J. Loftis M W Son 22 Single TN TN TN *Oplis Johnson Loftis md Dona Clyde Allen*
Logan S. Loftis M W Son 20 Single TN TN TN *Logan Simpson Loftis md 1st Lucille Mayberry – md 2nd Elizabeth Goolsby*
Martin Loftis M W Son 18 Single TN TN TN *Martin "Windy" Loftis md Zella Smith, d/o Robert & Sarah Smith.*

Cordell H. Loftis M W Son 13 Single TN TN TN *Oliver Cordell Loftis md Norma C. Masters, d/o James Millard Masters & Della Barlow.*
Landon B. Loftis M W Son 9 Single TN TN TN *Landon B. Loftis md Ova Lucille Masters, d/o Albert Benton Masters & Velar Barlow.*

1920 CENSUS – PUTNAM CO., TN – Civil Dist. 9

Dwl: 216 Family: 216 Line: 45

George R. Head M W Own Mortgage 39 Married Farmer General Farm TN TN TN

George Rufus Loftis, s/o John Pierce Loftis & Frances America Loftis

Mattie Loftis Wife F W 29 Married TN TN TN

Jones H. Loftis Son M W 13 Single TN TN TN *John H. Loftis md Fannie Maynard.*

Morgan C. Loftis Son M W 11 Single TN TN TN *Morgan C. Loftis md Ira V. Hensley*

Ernest D. Loftis Son M W 9 Single TN TN TN *Ernest D. Loftis md 1st Sarah Belle Loftis – md 2nd Marguerite Hester Spivey, d/o Travis Spivey & Allie Pruett.*

Clara Loftis Dau. F W 7 Single TN TN TN *Clara May Loftis md Alton J. Winfree.*

1920 CENSUS – PUTNAM CO., TN – Civil Dist. 9

Dwl: 218 Family: 218 Line: 58

Marion F. Loftis Head M W 58 Married Farmer General Farm TN TN TN *Francis Marion Loftis*

Francis A. Wife F W 39 Married TN TN TN *America “Merky” Gentry, d/o Henderson Brown Gentry & Louvernia “Verny” Loftis.*

Dallas P. Loftis Son M W 16 Single TN TN TN

Valta V. Loftis Dau. F W 14 Single TN TN TN

Odus Loftis Son M W 12 Single TN TN TN

Claude Loftis Son M W 8 Single TN TN TN

Ava Lee Loftis Dau F W. 2 5/12 Single TN TN TN

1920 CENSUS – PUTNAM CO., TN – Civil Dist. 9

Dwl: 233 Family: 233 Line: 34

James M. Loftis Head M W Own Free 75 Married Farmer General Farm TN TN TN

James Madison Loftis Jr., s/o James Madison Loftis Sr. & Sarah Elvira Dowell.

Sarah J. Loftis Wife F W 65 TN TN TN *Sarah “Surry” Jane Dill, d/o Roland & Nancy Carolyn Dill.*

Demmon Loftis Son M W 31 Single Farm Laborer TN TN TN *Demmon James Loftis md Ada Rush, d.o Cyrus Rush. He was killed while plowing with mules.*

Gainesboro Fox Dau F W 23 Widow TN TN TN *Gainesboro Loftis md Jefferson Fox, s/o “Merdy” Fox & Eletha Fox.*

Jefferson Fox Grandson M W 4 10/12 Single TN TN TN *Jeff “Jeffie” Stone Fox. He lived on the original Loftis homestead on Morrison Creek, Gainesboro, TN. He was a school teacher in Jackson Co., TN. He possessed the original James Madison Loftis Bible. He never married. Jeff was educated at Tennessee Tech.*

1920 CENSUS – PUTNAM CO., TN – Civil Dist. 9

Dwl: 236 Family: 236 Line: 42

Chester A. Loftis Head M W 26 Married Farmer General Farm TN TN TN *Chester Arthur Loftis, s/o Melvin Pearce Loftis & Louvinia Loftis.*

Minnie L. Loftis Wife F W 24 Married TN TN TN *Minnie Lee Loftis, d/o Hickman Pierce Loftis & Laranie “Lorina” Jackson.*

Lila M. Loftis Dau F W 6 Single TN TN TN *Lila M. Loftis – b. 31 August 1912, TN.*

Andrew Loftis Son M W 5 Single TN TN TN *Andrew Loftis – b. 30 October 1914, TN.*

Austin Loftis Son M W 1 0/12 Single TN TN TN *Austin Loftis – b. 20 December 1918, TN.*

1920 CENSUS – PUTNAM CO., TN – Civil Dist. 9

Dwl: 237 Family: 237 Line: 47

John P. Loftis Head M W 26 Married Farmer General Farm TN TN TN *John P. Loftis, s/o Melvin Pierce Loftis & Louvinia Loftis.*

America Loftis Wife F W 26 Married TN TN TN *America Ramsey. She later md Willie B. Chaffin.*

Frank Loftis Son M W 3 10/12 Single TN TN TN *Frank Loftis – b. 11 February 1916.*

1920 CENSUS – PUTNAM CO., TN – Civil Dist. 9, Roaring River, Gainesboro Road

Dwl: 250 Family: 250 Line: 4

Clarence D. Loftis Head M W 45 Single Merchant General Merchandise TN TN TN

Clarence Dow Loftis, s/o William Asbury Loftis & Mary Louvernia Anderson. When Clarence Dow Loftis was interviewed in 1960 by Christine Spivey Jones she asked him what to put in the family tree about him. He replied, “Just say I was a roving gambler for 20 years and I lived for 2 years with the Indians in Oklahoma.”

Avo D. Loftis Sister F W 36 Single TN TN TN *Avo Desivel, d/o William Asbury Loftis & Mary Louvernia Anderson. She never married.*

1930 CENSUS – PUTNAM CO., TN – DIST. 7 – Double Springs – Hwy #24

Dwl: 137 Family: 131 Line: 25 - *See Chapter: 11 – www.ajlambert.com

Noah L. Loftice (spelling should be Loftis) Head M W Rents 45 (22 yrs. old 1st marriage) Farmer TN TN TN

(Noah Lee Loftis, s/o James Madison Loftis Jr. "Crippled Jimmie", s/o James Madison "Matt" Loftis Sr. & Sarah Elvira Dowell)

Cora C. Loftice (Loftis) Wife F W 37 (15 yrs. old 1st marriage) TN TN TN

(Cora C. Chaffin, d/o Abner Hill Chaffin & India Belle Sliger)

Sarah B. Loftice (Loftis) Dau. F W 22 TN TN TN (Sara Belle Loftis md Ernest D. Loftis)

Beulah J. Loftice (Loftis) Dau. F W 20 TN TN TN (Beulah Jane Loftis md Lonnie B. Gentry)

James O. Loftice (Loftis) Son M W 18 TN TN TN (James Oliver Loftis md Mytle Louise Allen)

Doliver Loftice (Loftis) Son M W 15 TN TN TN (Doliver Branton Loftis md Laura Catherine Ragsdale)

Della M. Loftice (Loftis) Dau. F W 13 TN TN TN

(Della May Loftis md 1st Lattie B. Gentry – md 2nd Joseph Walter Powers – md 3rd Charles Andrew Graham)

Vela A. Loftice (Loftis) Dau. F W 11 TN TN TN (Vela Alice Loftis md Elroy Alton Lester)

Vola C. Loftice (Loftis) Dau. F W 9 TN TN TN (Vola C. Loftis md Charles Earl Norton)

Donald E. Loftice (Loftis) Son M W 6 TN TN TN (Donald Everett Loftis)

Daniel J. Loftice (Loftis) Son M W 4 5/12 TN TN TN (Daniel J. Loftis md Edith Z. Gentry)

Lola F. Loftice (Loftis) Dau. F W 1 1/12 TN TN TN (Lola Frances Loftis md Boyd R. Spurlock)

Source: *Loftis and the Descendants of Laban Loftis* by Jimmie Robert Loftis and Bobbie H. Bryant, pg. 32 – **Laban Loftis** and his family settled in Jackson County, TN about 10 miles southeast and upstream of present-day Gainesboro on Morrison's Creek which is a tributary to Roaring River which runs into the Cumberland River. Laban owned several tracts of land of approximately 275 acres on Morrison's Creek. The homestead stood until the late 1980's and was home to Gainesboro and Jeff Fox for many years. The old Loftis Sugar Camp and grist mill stood behind the home in the bend of the creek. Laban's sons owned additional land adjoining him on Morrison's creek and also on Blackburn's Fork River and Spring Creek which is near the Putnam and Overton County lines.

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., 13th Cavalry Bn. During the Civil War. "Matt" and Sarah had eleven children plus rearing one grandson Charlie "Peyor" Millard Loftis.

Charles "Charlie" Millard "Peyor" Loftis, said to be a grandson and showing in the 1870 and 1880 census records at age 5 years and 15 years, respectively, was raised by his grandparents. Also note a Sarah Pryor, orphan, age 36, in the home of John Martin Loftis in the 1880 census.

Source: *Bullets, Fire, Moonshine and The Bible: Life in Jackson County, TN From 1903-1907: Vol. 2,*

Transcribed by Shelta R. McCarter Shrum.

Pg. 78: GAINESBORO SENTINEL, Thursday, 28 April 1904: Sacred to the Memory of J. M. Loftis and Wife: John M. Loftis was born February 18, 1833; died July 15, 1902. Celina Loftis was born June 10, 1835; died November 21, 1903. Brother and sister Loftis were consistent members of the Christian church. They were industrious, economical and obliging. Brother Loftis served a term in the Confederate Army. Sister Loftis was known and loved far and wide as a lady doctor. They leave a host of relatives and friends to mourn their death....(John Martin Loftis was the son of James Madison Loftis and Sarah Dowell Loftis. Celina Loftis was the daughter of Samuel and Nancy M. Jones Loftis).

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.

George Rufus "Ruff" Loftis (1848-1932)

Family bible has George's birthday on Nov. 21, 1848. George married Sallie about 1864 in Jackson County, TN and had the following children:

1) Abner Melton Loftis, b. 21 August 1865, Gainesboro, TN - d. 28 January 1938 of liver cancer in Holdenville, OK, md 28 October 1888, Melvina Elvina Carter, b. Flynn's Creek, Jackson Co., TN.

He was a member of the Church of Christ. He moved from TN to McKinney, Sherman, TX on a farm and moved from there to Indian Territory in 1905/06. He ran a grocery store in Holdenville, OK and had a cotton exchange, buying thousands of bales of cotton for Lloyds of London, England. There is a notation in his handwriting in his Family Bible dated 28 November 1897 which states "by the help of God, I've quit drinking". He married Melvina in the Church of Antioch, TN. She was born on Flynn's Creek, Jackson Co., TN and a member of the Methodist Church. She died of a heart attack. Her family Bible (97 yrs. old in 1990) was bought from a peddler and she paid for it with chickens. Her brother John Carter died of lung cancer. She lived to raise 3 granddaughter after her daughter Ruby had a nervous breakdown. Her son-in-law's mother raised Ruby's 3 sons.

2) Martha Elizabeth Loftis, b. 22 August 1866, Jackson Co., TN - d. 21 March 1941, md 16 May 1886, William M. L. Dennis (1864-1952) - s/o Benjamin Franklin Dennis and Floretta Tina Putty

3) James Madison Loftis, b. 1870, Jackson Co., TN - d. 1933, Texola, OK, md Clara Pearly Fox d/o Uriah Henry Fox (1834-1915) & Dicey Lavona (Whitefield) Fox (1840-1904). James had a cotton business he ran in Texola, OK.

4) Parzetta C. Loftis, b. 6 February 1870, Jackson Co., TN - d. 30 August 1950, Holdenville, OK - md George Rufus Gentry (1872-1956), b. 29 March 1874, Denton, TX - d. 1957, Holdenville, OK, s/o Noah G. Gentry (1852-1936) & Parsetta Loftis (1855-1928).

5) Harriett Loftis, b. 6 April 1875, Jackson Co., TN - d. 15 October 1944, Jackson Co., TN, md 4 January 1894, Hickman Pulaski Gentry, b. 14 June 1874, Jackson Co., TN - d. 12 October 1922, Jackson Co., TN.

6) W. B. Loftis, b. 18 March 1882 – d. 12 September 1960, Holdenville, Hughes Co., OK, md Tilda Allen (1882-1960), both buried in Holdenville Cemetery, Holdenville, Hughes Co., OK.

Source: (*Bullets, Fire, Moonshine & The Bible: Life in Jackson County, TN, January 4, 1908 Through December 24, 1915*, transcribed by Shelta R. McCarter Shrum: pg. 168): Gainesboro Sentinel, 30 May 1914: COOKEVILLE, TN, 25 May 1914 – A wedding of wide interest to many relatives and friends through this section of the state was that of **Miss Edna Loftis** and **Lenox Henderson** of Ocilla, GA, which took place Sunday in Ocilla where the bride has been teaching in the public schools for the past three years. Mr. and Mrs. Henderson left immediately after the ceremony on an extended bridal tour and arrived Sunday to spend several days with Mrs. Henderson's parents, **Mr. and Mrs. James M. Loftis**. The bride is the daughter of Cookeville's veteran City Marshall and is one of the most highly esteemed young ladies that ever lived in Cookeville. Mr. and Mrs. Henderson will reside on Ocilla, GA, where Mr. Henderson is a leading businessman.

Lenox T. Henderson Sr., b. 1892, Ocilla, GA – d. 1966 md on the 17th of May 1914, Ocilla, GA to **Edna Marjorie Loftis**, b. 19 March 1889, Gainesboro, Jackson Co., TN – d. 29 March 1962, Valdosta, GA, d/o **James Madison Loftis** (1864-1938) & **Mary Lusetta "Lula" Anderson** (1866-1889). James Madison Loftis is buried in Cookeville City Cemetery, Putnam Co., TN. Mary Lusetta "Lula" Anderson is buried in Bailey Butler Cemetery, Butlers Landing, Clay Co., TN. Lenox T. Henderson Sr. & Edna Marjorie (Loftis) Henderson are both buried in Brushy Creek Cemetery, Ocilla, Irwin Co., GA.

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. 70) 28 January 1848 Court met with Brownfield L. Ridley presiding. Page 293 – **John Sommers** & others vs **Roland C. Dill** & others....(Page 294) it appears that the master on 16 October 1847 sold the lands in the pleadings at public auction to **James M. Loftis** for \$171 for which the sd **James M. Loftis** executed bond together with Achilles Hare & Watson M. Cooke his securities...And the said **James M. Loftis** appearing here in open court and asserting his willingness to pay for said land in cash...that \$25 would be a reasonable fee for the services of Messrs Hall & Washburn as Solicitors in this cause...

U.S., Confederate Soldiers Compiled Service Records, 1861-1865

Name	James M Loftis
Enlistment Date	1862
Military Unit	Thirteenth (Gore?) Cavalry

*See Loftis files and Chapters 12 & 13 at: <http://www.ajlambert.com>

