

GEORGE WASHINGTON BURGESS
(William (I)¹, Edward (I)², Reuben (I)³, Thomas (I)⁴)
(1804 – 1873)

The House of the Burgesses

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George Washington Burgess (son of Thomas I). Born 8 Jan. 1804 in Rowan (later Davie) Co., NC. Married **Charlotta McBride**, about 1823 (she was born 18 July 1803 in VA, daughter of **Joseph C(rawford?) McBride** and **Elizabeth Brimmer**, and sister of **Margaret McBride** (who married Wash's brother, **Charles Burgess**), and died 24 Apr. 1880 in Putnam Co., TN). Listed in the 1830-50 censuses for Jackson Co., TN (the part that later became Putnam Co.; in 1840 they are living in the 12th District, with **Elizabeth McBride** next door, and have three sons (one aged 10-15) and four daughters (one aged 15-20), and from 1860-70 in the 1st District, Putnam Co., TN. Wash Burgess was a farmer in Putnam Co., TN. He died there on 26 Mar. 1873, and is buried with his wife in the West Cemetery.

Children of George Washington Burgess & Charlotta McBride are:

1) **Synthia Burgess**, Born 12 Mar. 1824 in Jackson (later Putnam) Co. TN. Married (**David) Robinson McCaleb** (later McCalib), her cousin, in 1844 (he was born 5 July 1820 in NC, son of **John McCaleb** and **Catherine Allison**, served in the Confederate Army during the Civil War, married secondly **Margaret Bunch** (or Munch) on 14 Sept. 1884 in Carroll Co., AR (she was born 10 Nov. 1849, and died 7 Sept. 1941, aged 91 years, leaving one child, **Margaret Louise McCaleb**.

2) **Ibba "Ibby" Burgess**, Her name may have been short for Isabella. Born 21 Sept. 1825 in Jackson (later Putnam) Co., TN. Living with her father in 1850. Married **William Stephen Crawley** (or Crowley) about 1852 (he was born 1 July 1827 in TN, son of **James Y.** and **Anania Crawley**, is listed in the 1850 census in Washington Co., AR with **Shadrack Murray** and his future brother-in-law, **Joseph C. Burgess**, and died in 1921).

3) **Joseph C(rawford?) Burgess**, Born about 1828 in Jackson (later) Putnam Co., TN. Listed with his father in the 1840 census, and in the 1850 census for Washington Co., AR with **Shadrack Murray** and his future brother-in-law, **William Crawley**, but has not been found in 1860. **Joseph Burgess** witnessed the deed of his brother, **John M. Burgess**, who purchased land on 12 Oct. 1861 in Washington Co. He may have served in Co. K., 17th Tennessee Infantry, Confederate Army, during the Civil War. He has not been found after the war.

4) **Thomas Burgess** (III). Born about 1834 in Jackson (later Putnam) Co., TN. Listed with his father in the 1850 census, but has not been found in 1860 or later.

5) **John M. Burgess** (I). Born about 1836 in Jackson (later Putnam) Co., TN. Listed with his father in the 1850 census, but has not been found in 1860. He moved to

Washington Co., AR, when he bought land on 26 Aug. 1861 for John and Polly Oliver (Deed Book, #O, p. 336), recorded “at request of John M. Burgess” on 12 Oct. 1861 (perhaps preparatory to joining the army), with his brother Joseph witnessing the deed, and his brother-in-law, **D. R. McCalib**, acting as Justice of the Peace. He may have served in Co., K., 17th Tennessee Infantry, Confederate Army during the Civil War, or in Co., I, 34th Arkansas Infantry. He died by 1870, since his land was sold on 23 Aug. 1870 by his parents (Deed Book #Y, p. ___ with John specifically mentioned as being deceased).

6) **Martha Burgess** (II) (twin). Born 21 Aug. 1838 in Jackson (later Putnam) Co., TN. Married **John Robert Harris** about 1868. Listed in the 1860 census with her father, and in 1870 in the 16th Civil District, Putnam Co., TN. Martha Harris died there in Jan. 1872, and is buried in the West Cemetery. **Becky Harris**, her daughter is living with Martha’s brother, Isaac Burgess in 1880.

7) **Rebecca Burgess** (I) (twin). Born 21 Aug. 1838 in Jackson (later Putnam) Co., TN. Married **John Ra(w)leigh Allison** about 1863 (he was born 24 Mar. 1840, son of **Joseph Allison** and **Cynthia Stone**, and died 6 June 1912 (or 1913).

8) **Mary Burgess** (X). Born 1840 in Jackson (later Putnam) Co., TN. Married (Solomon) **Robert Crowley** (or Crawley) about 1862 (he was born about 1840 in TN). Listed in the 1860 census with her father, and in 1870-80 in Putnam Co., TN (1870 in the 16th District, 1880 in the 8th); neither she nor her children have been found in 1900, by which time they had apparently moved out-of-state.

9) **Elizabeth Burgess** (XIV). Her name is listed as **Mary Elizabeth Burgess** by James Z. Burgess in his book, but no corroboration has been found elsewhere. Born 29 Aug. 1842 in Jackson (later Putnam) Co., TN. Married **Leonidas Lisander Lindsey** about 1862 (he was born about 1840, son of **Joseph A. Lindsey** and **Mary Gentry**, and may have died in 1863 (but in any case by 1870), possibly in the Civil War), and had children:

Children of Leonidas Lisander Lindsey & Elizabeth Burgess are:

John Isaac Lindsey (born 24 March 1863, married **Mary Marinda Lee** on 13 December 1891 in Putnam Co., TN (she was born 3 November 1868, daughter of **Harmon Young Lee** and **Malinda Whitehead**, and died 25 May 1951). John Isaac Lindsey inherited the farm of his uncle, Isaac W. Burgess, in 1928. He died in Putnam Co., on 17 June 1941, buried West Cemetery, located on West Graveyard Road, approx. 1 & ½ miles east of Burgess Falls Road, 1st Civil District, Putnam Co., TN.

Children of John Isaac Lindsey & Mary Marinda Lee are:

Ulah Solona Lindsey (born 3 Sept. 1892, married **Mansfield Roberts** on 12 Apr. 1915 in Putnam Co., TN, died 17 June 1960.

Martha Elizabeth Lindsey (born 1 Oct. 1893, died 30 Aug. 1894).

John Isaac Lindsey Jr. (born 31 Dec. 1894, married **Bertha Mae Clemons** on 17 Apr. 1915.

Alma Young "Scrooch" Lindsey (born 11 July 1896, married **Jessie L. Roberts** on 6 June 1920 (she was born 28 Feb. 1904, daughter of Andrew Johnson Roberts and Amelia Hale, and died on 17 Apr. 1936); Alma married secondly **Orpha Cronk** on 11 Mar. 1939 in Putnam Co. (she was born 25 Oct. 1901, and died on 16 Feb. 1951), and died Mar. 1978 at Cookeville, TN.

(Mary) Frances Lindsey (born 15 June 1898, married **Sam Monroe LeFever** on 4 Sept. 1936 (he was born 5 Jan. 1901, son of **George Washington LaFever** and **Willie Ora Belle Wilhite**, and died on 9 Apr. 1979) and died on 27 Dec. 1980, the same day as her sister, Cynthia.

Cynthia Charlotte Lindsey (born 18 Dec. 1899, married **George Levester "Slim" Bray** on 21 Aug. 1921 in Putnam Co. (he was born 16 Sept. 1899, son of **John M. Bray** and **Frances Eleanor "Fannie" Gentry**), and died on 27 Dec. 1980, two hours before her sister, Mary, having had children: Mildred Modean (born 3 June 1925 in Putnam Co., married Laurence Grady Grimes on 18 Apr. 1947 (he was born 1 April 1924, son of William Eldridge Grimes and Maggie Jane West), and had children: James Laurence "Jimmy" (born 15 Oct. 1948, married Sandra Gail Bray on 9 Apr. 1971 <div.; she was born 24 July 1951, daughter of John Douglas Bray and Frances Irene Bean >, and had children: Christi Nicole <born 22 Nov. 1971>; Jimmy married secondly Amy Virginia Smith); Rona Gail (born 21 Sept. 1952 in Overton Co., TN, and had children: Joseph Brent <born 7 Jun. 1973>); Alma Eulen (born 27 Sept. 1930, married Jerry Wallace Montgomery on 28 Mar. 1949, he was born 31 July 1928, son of Jesse N. Montgomery and Mae Carmichael), and had children: Jerry Michael (born 20 Oct. 1949, married Linda Houghton on 1 Sept. 1979 at Dallas, TX, and had children: Catherine <born 6 May 1978>); Robert Lee (born 8 June 1956, married Sherry Liles on 10 Dec. 1976); Gary Lynn (born 28 May 1961); Charles Levester (born 24 Sept. 1932, and lives at Valley Park, MO).

Elizabeth Burgess Lindsey married secondly **Craven M. Shanks** between 1870-80, and had children:

Van Everett Shanks. Born 1884, married **Ellen Denton Maynard**, and had children:

Virgil Craven Shanks (born 11 Dec. 1901, md **Dorothy Whitehead**, and died Dec. 1970 at Baxter, TN, having had children: Solon (born 24 Dec. 1927, died 6 Mar. 1993 at Silver Point, TN); Bill Shanks; J. V. Shanks; Mac Shanks; Fred Shanks; **Mary Lou Shanks** (md John Calvin Boyd); **Audie/Auda Shanks** (md James Marvin Brewington); **Haskell Owen Shanks** (md Minnie Nell Palmer); **Fred William Shanks** (md Vennie Vadell Carr); **Novie D. Shanks** (died at 13); **Erma Veda Shanks** (md 1st Henry Dyer, md 2nd Herman Briggs, md 3rd William Mervin Denney); **Nettie Juanita Shanks** (md

James T. Grisham); **Ellen Catherine Shanks** (md Hara Lea Anderson; & **Eunita (Shanks) Denton**). *Additional names added by Audrey J. (Denny) Lambert.*

Elizabeth Burgess Lindsey is listed with her father in the 1870 census (as **Elizabeth Linsey**), and is listed with Shanks, three step-children, and her son in the 1880 census for the 17th District, Putnam Co., TN. **Elizabeth Shanks** died on 25 July 1925 in Putnam Co., and is buried in the Smelage Cemetery.

10) **Isaac Washington “Ike” Burgess**. Born 6 July 1844 (or 1842, according to his death certificate) in Jackson (later Putnam) Co., TN. Served in Co. E, 25th Tennessee Infantry, Confederate Army, during the Civil War, enlisting on 19 Dec. 1862 at College Grove, TN, and fought at the Battle of Murfreesboro shortly thereafter. Has not been found in the 1870 census; listed in the 1880 census for the 1st District, Putnam Co., TN, living with his mother and niece, and in 1900 with his aunt, Mary Barnes; he appears there as head of the family in 1910. Isaac Burgess lived in Oregon as a youth, working as a professional gambler; he later returned to Putnam Co., TN, where he farmed on the lands of his aunt, Mary, who deeded him her farm in 1907 (Deed Book #Z, p. 184). He donated a plot from his land to help establish the Burgess School. He died unmarried of nephritis on 19 Jan. 1928 in Putnam Co., and is buried in the West Cemetery. He was the last of his brothers and sisters to die.



Isaac Washington “Ike” Burgess Obt.

“Isaac Burgess, aged 83, died at this home near Burgess School Thursday afternoon. He was the last of a family of 12 to pass away. ‘Uncle Ike,’ as he was familiarly called, made several trips to the West in his younger days, living for some time in the state of Oregon. He died within half mile of his birthplace. He is survived by a host of relatives. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. J. D. Harris and Grover Stewart, Friday, after which the remains were interred in the West Cemetery.” Putnam County Herald Newspaper, 23 January 1928.

11) **Charlotte Burgess**. She is called Charlotte Burgess Jr. in an 1878 deed. Born 18 May 1847 in Jackson (later Putnam) Co., TN. Married John A. Roberts after 1880 (he was born 11 February 1829, and died 13 August 1904).

12) **Daniel Campbell Burgess**. Born 19 May 1848 near Cookeville, Jackson (later Putnam) Co., TN.

