

Descendants of Julius B. Murphy

Generation No. 1

1. JULIUS B.³ MURPHY (*WILSON*², *JOHN*¹)¹ was born Abt. 1825 in Butler County, Alabama², and died 15 Apr 1865 in Howard's Grove Hospital, Richmond, Virginia³. He married AMANDA E. SEALE⁴ in Alabama, daughter of ANDERSON SEALE and MARY ARMSTRONG. She was born Jan 1825 in Alabama⁵, and died Bef. Jul 1909 in Butler County, Alabama⁶.

Notes for JULIUS B. MURPHY:

1850 US Census Butler County, Alabama, 28 Dec, TWP 7, #175:

Murphy, Julius 25, farmer, Al
Amanda 21, Al
Susan 4, Elizabeth 2 Al

(Only 4 entries away at #179 is a Martin Murphy 30, from Al, with wife Samantha 28 and 3 children.

Who are they?)

1860: Cannot identify Julius and Amanda definitely on 1860 census. This data for wife and children is way off. It doesn't look at all like Julius and Amanda, but neighbors in the Dawson area are the same people who appeared near them in 1850, 1870 and 1880:

1860 US Census Butler County, Alabama, Pct 14, Dawson, pg 39, #297:

Murphy, Julias? 30 RE=\$1000, pers=\$600 Al
S 25 Al

W (male) 12, S (fem) 9, B (male) 5, N? or R? (male) 3, G W (male) 1 all born Al

Next entry, at #296: B and Jane Saucer.

In 1870, Ben Saucer, John Lee, Mary Saucer, Andrew McPherson, Mary (Seale) Jones, Amanda (Seale) Murphy and several Sims and Vickery families were all adjacent entries. In 1880, Benjamin Saucer, William Saucer, Philip P Seale and Sarah (Saucer), John Murphy (son of Amanda) and Effie (Lee) were adjacent. These are Shackleville people.

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I think Dawson was the general area of Georgiana. At least a lot of the people in Dawson in 1860 lived in or near Georgiana. I've also seen Shackleville included in the Starlington census in other years. . .

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. . .the Dawson precinct of Butler Co. in 1860. This was the Georgiana/Starlington area (where many of my ancestors lived). . .

Records Book marked 1853 (in basement of Butler County Probate Office), pg 88: In matter of S Deming vs J B Murphy who failed to appear: judgement against J B Murphy for \$68 and costs.

AnnieBelle Murphy Phillips of Butler Co., in the mid 1980s (she was in her mid 70s), remembered hearing stories of how, when Julius Murphy left the house to go to war, he said, "Now, Mandy, you take care of them gals." It was said that he "died in a cold place".

Widow Amanda drew government pension.
Estate papers refer to death about April 1865. Co. E, 12th Regiment, CSA.

Consolidated Confederate Service Cards Microfilm, Alabama State Archives, Montgomery:
J B Murphey Goldsmith's Butler Co. Militia (Home Guard)
Private age 38
Butler Co., Beat 11 Dec 17/1863 Has substitute in CSA
Auth: Muster Roll Greenville, Dec 30/1863

Compiled Service Records, Confederate:
J B Murphey, Pvt. Co. E 12th Regt, Ala
Company Muster Roll for Sept & Oct, 1864
Enlisted: June 15, 1864
Where: Butler Spg
By whom: Col Murphy (Note: was this Col Virgil Murphy?)
Period: War
Last paid & by whom: Never paid
Present or absent: Present

Appears on a Register of Receiving and Wayside Hospital, or General Hospital No. 9, Richmond, Virginia:

Admitted: Mar 23, 1865
Disposition: Howard's Grove
Date: Mar 31, 1865
Remarks: Regt

Appears on a Register of General Hospital, Howard's Grove, Richmond, Virginia

Received: Mar. 31, 1865

Appears on a Register of General Hospital, Howard's Grove, Richmond, Virginia

Date Apr 12, 1865 (sic; if correct, register must have been kept around for remarks to be added later.)
Remarks: Died April 15, 1865

Captions and Record of Events, 12th Ala: records for all companies go only to Sept/Oct 1864

Co E: Muster Roll for Sept & Oct 1864 near Petersburg, Va.

<http://members.aol.com/jweaver300/grayson/hospital.htm>:

Virginia's Confederate Military Hospitals:

Howard's Grove Hospital, 1862-65 (also a Smallpox facility). One of the four main Confederate hospitals in Richmond. Hospital for Florida, Alabama, Mississippi, Texas, and Arkansas.

<http://www.vcu.edu/dl/civilwar/cwhosp.html>:

Continued as Union Small pox Hospital after the City's occupation.

http://www.mdgorman.com/Hospitals/howards_grove_hospital.htm:

From the RICHMOND SENTINEL - AUG. 10, 1863, a listing of hospitals shows where Confederate

soldiers from various states were treated during the Civil War: <those soldiers> from Alabama, at the Alabama Hospital, Church Hill, Franklin street; and in 1st division, Howard's Grove Hospital, Mechanicsville turnpike.

Receiving Hospital, General Hospital No. 9: corner of 17th and Grace streets.

There was another (?) J B Murphy in the same regiment as many other Butler Co. men, including Josiah Mullins, J A (John A?) Seale, James T Seale, William J Watts and Julius' brother R K (all in Co. F of 18th):

J B Murphy, Pvt, Co D, 18th Regt Al: paid 30 Apr 1863 by W B Hoyt, \$50.00 bounty.
(No other information on him.)

Notes for AMANDA E. SEALE:

Surname confirmed on death certificates of her son Augustus (Chuck) and daughter Sarah Elizabeth. In 1900, 93-year-old William Seale, brother to Anderson Seale, lived in the household of Amanda's son Augustus (Chuck) Murphy. His relationship was listed as "uncle". Anderson Seale, along with Amanda and Julius' brother Augustus, posted bond in Oct 1865 for her appointment as administrator of Julius' estate (**Butler County Estate Book 10**, pg 61).

I consider these facts confirmation that she was the daughter of Anderson Seale, who was brother to the Ransom Seale who married Wilson Murphy's presumed sister Ellen. Anderson Seale's household in 1830 included 2 females under 5 years old. Amanda was born about 1825. The other must have died, as she is not accounted for on later censuses. In 1840, there is only one female age 10-15, Amanda's age.

For a lengthy report of Seale genealogy, see: **Seale and Allied Families**, by Ida Carrie Seale, R.N., no date, but foreword to third edition is dated Feb 22, 1954 in Panama City, Florida. (As with all secondary sources, there are some inaccuracies, but it is a great starting point for leads.) Ida Carrie Seale had Amanda as the youngest daughter of Anderson Seale, married to "Wilson Murphy, who died in the Civil War." It was not Wilson who died in the war, but his son Julius. See notes on Amanda's son Augustus (Chuck) for incorrect information on his death certificate which may have given rise to the idea that Amanda married Wilson. Ida Carrie also had Amanda's birth year incorrectly as 1841. Some reports have merged Amanda with her sister Melissa, born abt 1841.

Birthdate from 1900 US Census. She lived with son Anderson D. (Doc). On 1850 Census, age is given as 21 (Butler County TWP 7, #175). Death date approximate; stricken from Civil War Pension Register (in Butler probate office) July 1909, as deceased.

Annie Belle Murphy Phillips, granddaughter of John W, remembered that his mother was named Mandy and said she was a midwife. (Note: **Butler County Register of Births 1894-1899** in the Probate Office lists the name Susan Coleman (John's sister) as midwife in many births. Was Annie Belle confusing Mandy and Susan, or was Mandy also a midwife?)

There are 4 unmarked adult slabs in Shackleville Cemetery near the graves of John, Effie and Bill Murphy and another next to Emmett's daughter Lucy. I was told that Amanda, Bett and Bett's sons Zoll and Hill Murphy are buried there without markers.

Confederate Pension Applications dated 4 July 1887 - 9 June 1899 for Amanda E Murphy, widow of Julius B Murphy, private, Co E, 12th Ala. Regt. The application of 21 Apr 1896 stated that her address was Shackleville and her taxable property consisted of 29 (or 27?) acres of land. The application of 21 May 1897 stated that her address was still Shackleville, but her taxable property consisted of "nothing". (Did she deed the land to one of her children?)

The application of 9 June 1899 included a schedule of property:

Real Estate: "no" acres of land, value: \$50 (meaning?)
Horses and Mules: none; Cattle of all kinds: "one", value: \$10
Hogs, sheep and goats: "none"; Pistols, guns, etc: "none"
Watches, clocks & jewelry: "none"
Household and kitchen furniture: "none; Burned with house"
Bicycles and vehicles: "none"; Goods, wares and merchandise: "none"
Mechanical and farming tools and implements: "none"

On 9 and 10 June 1899, Augustus Murphey and T M McCrory attested to acquaintance with Julius Murphey and to personal knowledge that he served in CSA and did not desert.

1870 US Census Butler County, Alabama, 18 July, TWP 9, P.O. Greenville, pg 358, #145:

Amanda Murphy 44 keeps house Al
Susan 21 at home, Elizabeth 20 at home, Judy 19 at home,
James (should be John W) 16 laborer, Florana 14 at home, Augustus 12 at home,
Anderson 11, Ella 9

1880 US census: not found on soundex or on LDS online

1900 US Census: appears in household of son Anderson; see notes for Anderson.

More About AMANDA E. SEALE:

Burial: Shackleville Cemetery, Butler County, Alabama

Children of JULIUS MURPHY and AMANDA SEALE are:

2. i. SUSAN M.⁴ MURPHY, b. Abt. 1846, Butler County, Alabama.
3. ii. SARAH ELIZABETH (BETT) MURPHY, b. 25 Aug 1849, Butler County, Alabama; d. 07 May 1922, Butler County, Alabama.
- iii. JULIA E. (JUDY) MURPHY⁷, b. Abt. 1851, Butler County, Alabama⁸; m. NATHANIEL A. SIMS, 10 Mar 1870, Butler County, Alabama⁹.

Notes for JULIA E. (JUDY) MURPHY:

Age 19 on 1870 census (July) in home of Amanda. Why was she listed in her mother's house, when she had been married in March of 1870? Marriage record: married "at Mrs Murphy's". Listed as Julia E. Sims, wife of Nathaniel Sims, in final list of Julius' heirs, 25 Jul 1870.

She and Nathaniel may have moved to Indian Territory. Sims researchers report that Isaac Sims' estate papers (1888?) list a Nathaniel Sims (reportedly born about 1850) as resident of Indian Territory.

Julia may have died by 1900. On the census entry for her mother, Amanda, it said 7 children were living, of 8 born. All the others except Julia are accounted for.

Notes for NATHANIEL A. SIMS:

1850 - (from Sims researcher Cheryl Sumner): Butler Co. Deed Book B, pg 440-441 (abstract) James Marion Sims bought land from Wilson and Anna Murphy in 1850 -- East 1/2 of NW 1/4 Sec 33 T10 R12, 80 acres for \$1500 upon which Butler Springs are situated, also 12 acres in west 1/2 of NE 1/4 in same section, TWP and range near Murphy's Creek... (note from WRM: BLM document #36677 shows Wilson Murphy received patent on that land on 3 May 1848.)

History of Butler County, Alabama 1815 to 1885 by John Buckner Little, pg 137-138, regarding Butler Springs:

John Ubanks built a temporary tavern here in the spring of 1843, and had the Springs thoroughly advertised throughout the surrounding country... The Springs were purchased the next year by Nat. Sims, a wealthy farmer from Lowndes County, who soon erected a fine hotel... After the death of Nat. Sims in 1855, his widow sold the Springs to John Edy, who kept them only a few years and sold them to Captain T A Knight and Alph. Carter, 1860. (Note from WRM: Little report conflicts with documented BLM patent in 1848 and sale in 1850, above.)

4. iv. JOHN WILLIAM MURPHY, b. 07 Mar 1854, Butler County, Alabama; d. 03 Jan 1929, Butler County, Alabama.
5. v. FLORENCE S. MURPHY, b. 1853, Butler County, Alabama; d. Aft. 1900.
6. vi. AUGUSTUS G. (CHUCK) MURPHY, b. 16 Jan 1859, Butler County, Alabama; d. 01 May 1947, Excel, Monroe County, Alabama.
7. vii. ANDERSON D. (DOC) MURPHY, b. Aug 1860, Butler County, Alabama; d. 25 Jul 1927, Jones Mill, Monroe County, Alabama.
8. viii. ELLA ANNIE MURPHY, b. 19 Dec 1862, Butler County, Alabama; d. 23 Dec 1935, Florala, Covington County, Alabama.

Generation No. 2

2. SUSAN M.⁴ MURPHY (*JULIUS B.*³, *WILSON*², *JOHN*¹) was born Abt. 1846 in Butler County, Alabama¹⁰. She married JOHN COLEMAN 11 Dec 1873 in Butler County, Alabama¹¹. He was born Abt. 1800 in Georgia¹².

Notes for SUSAN M. MURPHY:

Age 4 on 1850 census. Age 21 on 1870 census. One source said she was buried in unmarked grave at Shackleville Cemetery, but Susan moved to Florala with daughter Nellie Coleman Patricks, and descendant Zula True thinks she is buried at Greenwood in Florala, unmarked grave. Nickname was 'Puss'.

On the Butler County Register of Births 1894-1899, the name Susan Coleman appears many times in the column marked "Doctor, midwife or head of family". Apparently she was a midwife.

There is a Butler County marriage record for a Susan Murphy and John Yeldell at Monterey, 23 Dec 1870, but I don't know if our Susan ever married anyone before John Coleman. Her sister Bett apparently married a Thompson but kept using the name Murphy. Zula True's family sheet has a note that Sophie's father was Yeldell, but no documentation is cited. Susan was listed as Susan Murphy on the final settlement of Julius' estate, 19 Jan 1872.

1880 US Census, Butler County, Beat 1, Starlington, no #:

Coleman, John	80 (sic)	Ga	Ga	Ga
Susan	30	Al	Al	Al
Julia 11, Sophia 7		Al	Ga	Al

1900 US Census: see daughter Nellie Coleman Patrick notes; Susan's age was 51, birthdate May 1849.

1910: not found in Alabama via Ancestry.com indexing. Scanned all 83 pages of Florala precinct 9 where Ella Murphy Dixon, Ola Coleman and Nellie Coleman Patrick lived. No Susan found.

Alabama Death Index has a Mrs Coleman, died 9 Apr 1922 in Covington County, Vol 13, Role 2, Page #6364. Unknown if this is Susan. No certificate # given. It could be some other Coleman's wife.

Notes for JOHN COLEMAN:

Age 80 on 1880 census Butler County, Starlington, Beat #1. Reported by Zula True to be buried at Greenwood Cemetery in Florala, but on her family sheet, she has that he died in Providence, Butler County. Needs further research.

Children of SUSAN MURPHY and JOHN COLEMAN are:

9. i. JULIA VIOLA (OLA)⁵ COLEMAN, b. Abt. 1869, Starlington, Butler County, Alabama; d. Aft. 03 Jan 1920.
10. ii. SOPHIE E COLEMAN, b. 27 May 1873, Starlington, Butler County, Alabama; d. 1932, Butler County, Alabama.
11. iii. NELL A E COLEMAN, b. Jan 1881.
12. iv. WILSON COLEMAN, b. May 1885, Starlington, Butler County, Alabama.
- v. JAMES T COLEMAN¹³.

3. SARAH ELIZABETH (BETT)⁴ MURPHY (*JULIUS B.³, WILSON², JOHN¹*)¹⁴ was born 25 Aug 1849 in Butler County, Alabama^{15,16}, and died 07 May 1922 in Butler County, Alabama¹⁷. She married J D THOMPSON 04 Jun 1879 in Butler County, Alabama¹⁸.

Notes for SARAH ELIZABETH (BETT) MURPHY:

Alabama Death Index 1908-1959:

Sarah E Murphy 7 May 1922 Butler County Vol 26 Role 2 Pg 12530

Death certificate says she died of paralysis at 1 PM. Obvious error on certificate in that certifying physician said he last attended deceased on July 6. Certificate filed June 10. Reported age 73 does not match with reported birthdate of 25 Aug 1849. If 1849 were correct, she would not have been 73 until Aug 1922. She was reportedly already 2 years old on 1850 census which was taken in December. It seems more likely that her correct year of birth was 1848, except that probate records of estate of J.B. Murphy, 25 July 1870 stated that Elizabeth was under 21. If she had been born in 1849, she would not have been 21 until August of 1870.

Death certificate confirmed parents as J B Murphy and Amanda Seale, both born in Alabama. No address given, just Registration District No. 15, but doctor's address was Bolling, Al, a little southeast of Georgiana. Informant was J Murphy, probably her brother John W, or possibly her son Jim, but he lived near Florala. Reported buried at Shackleville on 8 May 1922.

Age 2 on 1850 census. Age 20 in 1870. Listed as Sarah E in estate papers. No headstone on grave.

Information on Bett's children and their spouses was provided by James Earl Murphy and Jessie May Murphy Godwin, Emmett's children, in phone conversation Nov 1985. Ages and order of birth not given, except that Emmett was the oldest.

Index to Butler County Marriage Records:

Murphy, Sarah Elizabeth and J D Thompson, 4 June 1879, pg 290.

Bett may have married a Thompson, and Emmett's name may have been Thompson, although he used the name Murphy.

1880: not found on LDS or soundex as Murphy or Thompson

1900: need to locate her on census (as Thompson?)

1910 US Census, Butler County, Alabama, 15 April, ED 16 Sht 14 (pg 15), Pct 1, Starlington, #272:

Murphy, Sarah E 59 widow, 5 children born/5 living, farmer, owns farm, can R/W Al Al Al

Zollie (son) 19 farm laborer on home farm, can R/W Al Al Al

Smith, Ruby 12 (granddau.) in school, farm laborer on home farm can R/W Al Al Al

(Is Ruby Smith the same person as Adelle Smith, granddaughter of Bett's sister Susan? They are the same age, and Bett had no Smith grandchildren that I know of.)

1920 US Census, Butler County, Alabama, 28-29 Jan, ED 17 Sht 15 (pg 15), Pct 1, Starlington, #265:

Murphy, Emmett 40 farmer, owns farm, can R/W Al Al Al
Etta 33 can R/W Al Al Al
Lucy 12, Annie 9, Jessie M (dau) 6, Beatrice (actually Bernice Vertice) 3
all born Al, all can R/W except Beatrice

also:

Murphy, Bettie 70 widow - mother, can R/W Al Al Al

More About SARAH ELIZABETH (BETT) MURPHY:

Burial: Shackleville Cemetery, Butler County, Alabama¹⁹

Notes for J D THOMPSON:

Is this the J D Thompson who is supposed to have married Bett Murphy?

LDS familysearch.org

1880 US Census, Butler County, Alabama:

Sarah A. THOMPSON	Self	W	Female	W	63	SC	Farming	SC	SC
E. J. THOMPSON	Dau	S	Female	W	31	AL	Housekeeper	GA	SC
J. D. THOMPSON	Son		Male	W	29	AL	Farming	GA	SC
J. S. MORGAN	SonL	M	Male	W	38	AL	Farming	GA	SC
Minerva MORGAN	Dau	M	Female	W	37	AL		GA	SC

Source Information:

Census Place Butler Springs, Butler, Alabama

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Children of SARAH MURPHY and J THOMPSON are:

13. i. EMMETT B⁵ MURPHY, b. 15 Apr 1879, Butler County, Alabama; d. 11 Dec 1962.
- ii. KATIE MURPHY, b. Abt. 1883; m. JOHN JEFF HARPER, 11 Jun 1913, Butler County, Alabama²⁰; b. 1883.

Notes for KATIE MURPHY:

Birth years derived from age 30 (both) on marriage license.

14. iii. JAMES MURPHY, b. Abt. 1886, Alabama.
- iv. ZOLL MURPHY, b. Abt. 1891²¹; d. 30 Sep 1910, Butler County, Alabama²².

Notes for ZOLL MURPHY:

Died fairly young, according to Annie Belle Phillips. Probably buried at Shackleville (no tombstone). Zoll died from accidental gunshot.

Alabama Death Index, 1908-59 has entry for Zollie H Murphy, died 30 Sep 1910 in Butler County, Vol 2, Certificate 503, Role 1.

See mother's notes for 1910 census.

- v. 'PUMP' MURPHY.

Notes for 'PUMP' MURPHY:

Real given name unknown. Reported only as Pump (or Pomp?) by John Henry Palmer. Probably buried at Shackleville (no stone). Died of pneumonia.

- vi. HILLARY (HILL) MURPHY.

Notes for HILLARY (HILL) MURPHY:

Lived in Montgomery. May be buried in Montgomery or at Shackleville.

Sons: Hill, Jr. and Kendrick (both dead by 1985). Dau: Virginia

4. JOHN WILLIAM⁴ MURPHY (*JULIUS B.*³, *WILSON*², *JOHN*¹) was born 07 Mar 1854 in Butler County, Alabama²³, and died 03 Jan 1929 in Butler County, Alabama²³. He married EFFIE LEE 03 Oct 1872 in Butler County, Alabama²⁴, daughter of JOHN HENRY LEE. She was born 1851²⁵, and died 07 Jan 1937 in Butler County, Alabama^{25,26,27}.

Notes for JOHN WILLIAM MURPHY:

Dates from tombstone. Age 19 on marriage license (Effie was 20). Married at Jack Lee's. License included authorization for license for her son, signed by Amanda E Murphy. I have a copy.

Shot by nephew Emmett over land line dispute. Name was listed as James on 1870 census in home of Amanda. John W was a good musician, a fiddle player, according to granddaughter Annie Belle Murphy Phillips, 1985. His sons Pete and Pote were also good musicians, as were his grandson Lewis Palmer and his nephew Emmett.

Alabama Death Index, 1908-59 has entry for J. W. Murphy died Jan 1929 in Butler County, Vol 1, Role 3, Page 241.

1880 US Census, Butler County, no date, Pct 16, Rocky Creek, pg 426, #124:

Murphy, John	26	farmer	Al	Ga	Ga
Effy	28		Al	Al	Al
Henry 6, Julia 4, John 2					
Lee, Martha	22	sgl, sister-in-law			
Sims, Jackson	18	hireling			

(at #121: Benjamin F Saucer & his mother Mary Saucer (who had lived with Sarah Murphy);
 at #122: William Saucer
 at #123: Phillip P Seal and Sarah)

1900 US Census, Butler County, 4 June, Pct 16, Rocky Creek, pg 4B, #66:

Murphy, John	46 (1854), married 28 yrs, owned farm	Al	Al	Al
Effie	46 (1854)	Al	Al	Al
Mary 18 (1882), Lena 16 (1884), Coot (dau) 14 (1886), Bill 12 (1888), Robb 10 (1890)				
No months given for birth dates. All could R/W.				

1910 US Census, Butler County, Alabama, 9 May, ED 33 Sht 10, Beat 16, Rocky Creek, Pg 149, #192:

Murphy, John	54 m, yrs not given, farmer, owns farm free	Al	US	US
Effie	59 m1, 38 yrs, 9 ch/7 living	Al		
Bill (son)	22 sgl, farmer	Al		

Same house, separate family (extends to page 150):

Murphy, Bob	20 m1, 6/12, farmer, rents farm	Al	Al	Al
Bertie	17 (she is Bertie Vickery)	Al	Al	Al

At #190: Jim and Julia (Murphy) Palmore and family.

At #191: Philip P Seales, widower, and family.

1920 US Census Butler County, Alabama, 14 Jan, Beat 16, Rocky Creek, ED 34 Sht 5 (pg 21):

Murphy John	65 farmer, owns farm, can R/W	Al	Al	Al
Effie	70 can R/W	Al	Al	Al
Bill	31 occupation illegible, can R/W	Al		

also:

Murphy, Robert	30 railroad employee, can R/W	Al		
Murphy, Bertie	26 can R/W	Al		
Murphy, Annie Bell	8, Ralph O 5	Al		

Transcribed from a copy at the Butler County Historical Society:

Greenville Advocate, Jan 9, 1929 Nephew Shoots Uncle in Landline Dispute:

Emmett Murphy was released on \$2000 bond in a hearing resulting from the shooting of his uncle John Murphy on last Friday. The affair occurred near their homes in the western part of the county.

It is stated that the elder Mr. Murphy, who was 74 years of age, and his nephew, a man of middle age, had had some differences about land lines for several years. It is understood that a plea of self defense will be entered.

More About JOHN WILLIAM MURPHY:

Burial: Shackleville Cemetery, Butler County, Alabama

Notes for EFFIE LEE:

Dates from tombstone. Age 20 on marriage license. Married at Jack Lee's. Age 46 on 1900 census. Age 80 on 1930 census.

Alabama Death Index, 1908-59 has entry for Effie Murphy died Jan 1937 in Butler County, Vol 1, Certificate 114, Role 3.

Abstracted from the **Butler County News** and posted to the Butler Co. mailing list by Cheryl Morris Sumner on 15 Dec 2002:

10-22-1931 Route One News -

Mrs. John Murphy of Shackleville spent last week with her daughter Mrs. George BLACK.

<http://boards.ancestry.com/mbexec/msg/rw/0R.2ADE/1475> (copied 8 Oct 2002):

Message Board Post:

[from the Butler Co. News of Jan. 28, 1937]

In Memory of Mrs. J. W. MURPHY

In memory of our precious mother and grandmother, who departed this life early on Thursday morning, Jan. 7, 1937, making her stay on earth near 87 years. She was a devoted member of Shackleville Baptist Church, a citizen of Butler County all of her life, having lived in the same house since her marriage 67 years ago. She was the oldest of a family including two brothers and one sister, and the last to be called away.

Grandmother had good health all of these years, being able to do her own housework and care for her chickens, which she enjoyed so much. She never complained of anything, was always so loving and kind.

She was ill five weeks with heart trouble, but bore her suffering with patience. God, in His love, saw fit to call her home to be with Him in those mansions He has prepared for those who love and trust Him as she did. May we, too, so live that when we're called away, we may hear the voice of Jesus say, "Well done, thou good and faithful servant. Enter into the joys of Heaven." God's will be done, not ours...

[omitted a long poem]

The body was laid to rest in the Shackleville Cemetery that afternoon beside her husband who preceded her to the grave eight years ago, Jan. 3. Four children also preceded her to the grave, two boys in childhood, and later Mrs. Julia PALMER and Mrs. Hattie BLACK. Surviving children are Mr. Henry MURPHY of Jay, Fla.; Mrs. Mary BLACK of Georgiana, Ala.; Mrs. Lena VICKERY, Mr. B. L. MURPHY, and Mr. B. B. MURPHY of Shackleville; forty grandchildren, a large number of g-grandchildren and gg-grandchildren. Funeral by a minister from Greenville, Dunklin in charge.

---written by Mrs. J. A. MCINVALE

Card of Thanks from Mr./Mrs. Eli VICKERY and family; Mr./Mrs. George BLACK and family; Mr. Bill MURPHY; Mr. Bob MURPHY; Mr. Jim PALMER and children; Mr. Henry MURPHY.

<http://boards.ancestry.com/mbexec?htx=message&r=rw&p=localities.northam.usa.states.alabama.counties.butler&m=1475.1>

Subject: Re: LEE/MURPHY 1850-1937
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1850 Butler County Census
196 Lee, John H. 24 [b. abt. 1826] AL
Nancy 26 NC
Nancy 3 AL
Matilda 4/12 [b. 1850]
Benjamin SAUCER 19 m farmer NC

Lee, J. H. AL BUTLER CO. PRECINCT NO. 14 030 1860 >>
1860 Butler County Census, p. 31
Lee, J. H. 35 m farmer AL
Nancy 30 f NC
L. 12f Lizzie for Elizabeth? Nancy switched to middle name/nickname?
E. 10f Effy Matilda?
M. 8f Martha?
J. A. 6 m John A.?
M. J. 4f [or is this Martha?]
Lloyd or Floyd 3m

Effie LEE married John MURPHY 3 Oct. 1872 in Butler Co., Ala.

from the Butler County Courthouse: John H. LEE estate--Jan. 16, 1873 (Butler County Probate Minutes Vol. 16 1873-1874)
John H. LEE, deceased; heirs were Elizabeth SEALE, wife of William Seale; Effy MURPHY, wife of John W. Murphy, John A. LEE, and Martha LEE. Land in Sections 10 and 11 of Township 8N, Range 13E was bought by Thomas SHEPHERD after Mr. Lee's death.

Mrs. Effie MURPHY Obit #2
newspaper clipping dated 1-14-1937 (Greenville Advocate?)

(Obit #1 posted with name as Mrs. J. W. MURPHY)

Mrs. Effie MURPHY, 76 [other obit said age 86--almost 87], died at her home at Butler Springs, January 7. Surviving are three sons, J. Henry MURPHY of Milton, Fla.; Billy L. MURPHY and Bob MURPHY of Butler Springs; two daughters, Mrs. Mary BLACK, Georgiana, and Mrs. Lena VICKERY of Butler Springs, and a number of grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

The funeral was held at Shackleville Thursday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock with Rev. W. F. FLOYD, pastor of the Forest Home Methodist Church officiating. The pallbearers were Messrs. Zema STUCKEY, Aubrey STINSON, Johnnie FAIL, Hall MCCLAIN, Ed PHILLIPS, and Bert BLACK.
Burial in Shackleville Cemetery, Hay Funeral Home in charge.

John W. Murphy died Jan. 3, 1929, and is buried beside his wife at Shackleville Cemetery.

More About EFFIE LEE:
Burial: Shackleville Cemetery, Butler County, Alabama

Children of JOHN MURPHY and EFFIE LEE are:

15. i. JOHN HENRY⁵ MURPHY, b. Abt. 1874; d. Aft. 1937.
16. ii. JULIA MURPHY, b. 21 Mar 1876, Butler County, Alabama; d. 28 Feb 1935.
- iii. JOHN MURPHY, b. Abt. 1878²⁸.

Notes for JOHN MURPHY:

My notes from a phone conversation with Annie Belle Murphy Phillips, 16 Nov 1985, indicate that she said that another son of John W's, also named John, was buried at Pine Flat. See 1880 census for sons Henry and John. (He may not have a stone.)

17. iv. MARY MURPHY, b. 08 Oct 1879, Butler County, Alabama; d. 04 Sep 1953, Andalusia, Covington County, Alabama.
- v. WILLIAM JESSIE MURPHY, b. 28 Jun 1882, Butler County, Alabama²⁹; d. 07 Jan 1895, Shackleville Cemetery, Butler County, Alabama.

More About WILLIAM JESSIE MURPHY:

Burial: Shackleville Cemetery, Butler County, Alabama

18. vi. LENA ELIZABETH MURPHY, b. 1884, Butler County, Alabama; d. Abt. 1972.
19. vii. HATTIE BELLE MURPHY, b. 10 Jan 1886, Butler County, Alabama; d. 18 Dec 1921.
- viii. BILL (PETE) L MURPHY, b. 29 May 1888, Butler County, Alabama³⁰; d. 11 Dec 1955³¹.

Notes for BILL (PETE) L MURPHY:

Age 12 on 1900 census. Dates from military tombstone: Pvt. Co. C, 60th Machine Gun Bn., WWI. Never married. Bought land from estate of John W. Murphy. Papers list all other heirs who signed releases to him.

Pete was a good musician, a fiddle player, according to niece Annie Belle Murphy Phillips, 1985. She said his brother Pote and cousin Emmett both played banjo, and his father also played fiddle.

Middle initial L? Mother's obits of 1937 referred to B L Murphy and Billy L Murphy.

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Cannot locate this message on the board any longer (13 July 2005):

Date: 10/14/2002 10:13:22 PM Eastern Daylight Time

To: ALBUTLER-L@rootsweb.com

I think Dawson was the general area of Georgiana. At least a lot of the people in Dawson in 1860 lived in or near Georgiana. I've also seen Shackleville included in the Starlington census in other years.

<http://boards.ancestry.com/mbexec/message/rw/localities.northam.usa.states.alabama.counties.butler/809.834.1.1>:

Date: 08 Nov 2004 12:06 PM GMT

From: Cheryl Sumner

To: ALBUTLER-L@rootsweb.com

. . .the Dawson precinct of Butler Co. in 1860. This was the Georgiana/Starlington area (where many of my ancestors lived). . .

More About BILL (PETE) L MURPHY:

Burial: Shackleville Cemetery, Butler County, Alabama

20. ix. ROBERT B (PODE) MURPHY, b. 03 Jun 1890, Butler County, Alabama; d. 07 Apr 1968.

5. FLORENCE S.⁴ MURPHY (*JULIUS B.*³, *WILSON*², *JOHN*¹) was born 1853 in Butler County, Alabama³², and died Aft. 1900³³. She married (1) THOMAS A. BURKETT^{34,35} 06 Jan 1875 in Butler County, Alabama³⁶, son of WILLIAM BURKETT and MARY FRANKLIN. He died 28 Jul 1887 in Butler County, Alabama³⁷. She married (2) W T DREADEN³⁸ 23 May 1893 in Butler County, Alabama^{39,40,41}.

Notes for FLORENCE S. MURPHY:

***Middle initial may be "L" or "S" - hard to determine. Middle initial often looks like L in script instead of S, but several of Julius' estate papers refer to her clearly as Florence S. On 1898 deed to A G Murphy, I transcribed her middle initial as "L". (?) BLM deed and Butler County deed of 1898 also have "L". Marriage record reportedly has middle initial "A". (Courthouse clerks could have misread "L" for "S" and vice versa.)

Age 14 on 1870 census (listed as Florana).

Source: 6 Nov 2002: Florence's children and grandchildren's names and dates from email from Lisa Franklin on the Butler County mailing list. She reported that she had obtained much of her information from Arlene Chilton.

Marriage record has only T A Burkett. Husband's full name from 16 Sept 1879 list of heirs of Wilson Murphy. Marriage certificate says married "at John Murphy's". This might be her brother John, as he had been married for over two years by then, or it could possibly be her uncle John, brother of Julius.

BLM doc# 16390 issued 8/15/1898 for 80 acres in Butler Co. to Florence L Dreaden, formerly Florence L Burkett (clerical error in transcribing S as L?), E½SE Sec 8 T9-N R13-E (1 1/2 sections SE of Julius Murphy's home place)

***Note: I assume this means that she applied for the land when she was still a Burkett, but by the time it was final, she was Dreaden.

Butler County, Alabama Deed Book 10, pg 112, 28 July 1898:

W T Dreadin and wife Florence L (x mark) Dreaden (formerly Florence L Burkett) to A G Murphy for \$75:

SE 1/4 of SE 1/4 Sec 8 T9 R13

Alabama Death Index 1908-1959: Florence Burkett, died 25 May 1919, Butler County, Vol 2 Role 1 Page 512 (no certificate #) . Sent for certificate - this is NOT Florence Murphy Burkett! It is 30 year old wife of Lee Burkett and daughter of Jack Lee.

Marriage record: Is F A same as Florence? (Yes - see 1898 deed.)

http://ftp.rootsweb.com/pub/usgenweb/al/butler/vitals/marriages/1853_1930.txt :

W.T. Dreadin/F.A. Burkett... May 23, 1893 (Need to see original to determine middle initial.)

<http://trackingyourroots.com/data/butler53.htm>

(Burkett, et al. marriages in Butler County) copied 25 Sep 2002:

M.C. Ward/F.L. Burkett (married at Henry Burkett residence)...Dec. 16/1894

(wrm note: This is probably not Florence, but who knows?)

Leonard Smith/Ellie Burkett (James A. Smith consenting

....Miss Burkett's consent given by John Fail

....married at F. Dreaden residence)...Nov. 9, 1899

(wrm note: What is John Fail's relationship to Ellie Burkett?)

Chas. Little/Bula Burkett (mother, Florence Burkett consenting)...July 2, 1902

(note: this listing does not contain the W T Dreadin/F A Burkett item contained at Butler Co website (see above.))

1880 Census: not found on Alabama Soundex;
not found as Florence Murphy, Burkett or Dreaden on LDS 1880 online census index for any state.

1890: Appearing on 1890 Tax List of Butler County, Beat 1, Starlington:

<http://www.rootsweb.com/~albutler/1890.htm> :

Dreaden, J F

Dreaden, S P H

<http://ftp.rootsweb.com/pub/usgenweb/al/monroe/cemetery/salem.txt> :

William H. DREADEN Jan, 1872 - March 4, 1920 Any relevance here?

1900 US Census, Butler County, Alabama, 4 June, Pct 16, Rocky Creek, pg 4, #62:

Dreaden, Florence 47 (- - 1853) widow, farmer, owns farm, 7 ch born/4 living Al Al Al

Burkett, Buella (dau) 15 (- - 1885) Al Al Al

Burkett, Tom (son) 12 (- - 1888) Al Al Al

At #55: Philip (47) and Sally Seale (43)

At #61 are more Burketts and Arena Hainsworth 78 widow mo-in-law.

(Note: Irena Ainsworth was the one for whom JW and AG Murphy signed for pension allotments along with those for Amanda, Sarah (Sallie) J Smith and Mary H Burkett. JJ Fails also signed at least once for Irena Ainsworth.)

At #63: Ola Coleman, dau of Florence's sister Susan Murphy and John Coleman.

At #64: Wm J Seale and Lizzie

At #66: Florence's brother John and Effie Murphy

1910 US Census, Butler County, Alabama - have not located Florence. Not on Soundex as Burkett or Dreaden. Scanned precinct of Starlington where the only Dreadens (Bill 33 and Mollie 27) lived. (Al. Death Index has a Mollie Dreaden, died 8 Jun 1911, Butler Co., cert. #245. See notes on Samuel Paul Hutchinson DREADIN for more about these people.)

Checked all Burketts in Butler County - she wasn't with or around any of them. (1880 census index by LDS shows a large Dreaden family near Red Level, between Starlington and Florala: James Dreaden, 72, with son William 6, and a widowed son John 32, a little older than Florence. The only other Dreaden family (looked unlikely) in Alabama was in Conecuh County. There are several Dreadins buried at Huxford Baptist Church Cemetery, HWY 30, Escambia County, Alabama. Further research?)

Children of FLORENCE MURPHY and THOMAS BURKETT are:

21. i. BEULAH⁵ BURKETT, b. 19 Jan 1885; d. 09 Jun 1971, Crestview, Okaloosa County, Florida.
- ii. ELLIE BURKETT, b. 1886; m. LEONARD SMITH, 09 Nov 1899, Butler County, Alabama⁴¹.
- iii. TOM BURKETT, b. 1888⁴².

Notes for TOM BURKETT:

Could this Tom Burkett buried at Providence be Florence's Tom?

<http://www.rootsweb.com/~albutler/cemeteries/providence.htm> :

Burkett, Tom Daniel Mar 29, 1889-Dec 29, 1938 Pvt Med Dept

- iv. LAMBERT BURKETT.

6. AUGUSTUS G. (CHUCK)⁴ MURPHY (*JULIUS B.*³, *WILSON*², *JOHN*¹) was born 16 Jan 1859 in Butler County, Alabama^{42,43}, and died 01 May 1947 in Excel, Monroe County, Alabama⁴⁴. He married MARY M. WASDIN 16 Mar 1880 in Butler County, Alabama⁴⁵. She was born Abt. 1861⁴⁶, and died 15 May 1946⁴⁷.

Notes for AUGUSTUS G. (CHUCK) MURPHY:

Age 12 on 1870 census. Probate records, 19 Jan 1872, state that Augustus was over 14, meaning that he was born at least by 19 Jan 1858. Death certificate (#10255) does not give birth date, but states that he was 88 yrs 3 mo 15 days old when he died. Occupation: merchant. Cause of death: uremia due to chronic glomerular nephritis. Length of stay in place of death: 39 yrs, 3 months, 15 days - yields date of 15 Jan 1908 as when he moved to Monroe County. He first appears on census there in 1910.

***Death certificate gives **Wilson** Murphy as name of father. Julius had been dead for over 80 years and apparently no one remembered him, but everyone seemed to remember Wilson. (Death certificate of Chuck's sister Ella gave her father's name as John Murphy!) This death certificate information may be the reason Ida Carrie Seale thought Amanda married Wilson. Mother's maiden name given as "Mandy Seale". Informant was S T Williamson. (Middle initial difficult to interpret. Looks like T, but could be I. Granddau Clara Vickery, Minnie's dau, reportedly married S T Williamson, according to Jackie Ashley-Pace database at <http://worldconnect.rootsweb.com/cgi-bin/igm.cgi?op=GET&db=ashley42&id=I00664>.)

Butler County marriage record: married at house of J P.

Daughter Minnie does not appear in his household on any census. Annie Belle Murphy Phillips told me about her. Minnie married the brother of Annie Belle's mother, Bertie Vickery. Annie Belle and other descendants of John W Murphy gave me the nicknames "Chuck" and "Doc" for Augustus and Anderson. Annie Belle listed Chuck's sons Tom, Babe and Sullivan and daughters Minnie and Pearl. From Minnie's marriage record (married at Chuck Murphy's) and the children listed on the 1900 census, I surmised that Augustus was Chuck.

William Seale, age 93, born Mar 1807, widowed uncle, lived in Augustus' household in 1900. Chuck lived in Excel, Ala. later and had a store.

Butler County, Alabama Deed Book 9, pg 383, 30 Nov 1896:

Franklin Vickery and wife Elizabeth Vickery to A G Murphy and Wilson Vickery for \$700: S 1/2 of SE 1/4 Sec 35 and SW 1/4 of SW 1/4 of Sec 36 T10 R14 . . . etc (see transcription) less 1/2 acre where Latter Day Saints church now stands . . . less 4 acres in SW corner Sec 2 T9 R12 and our 1/3 interest in the mill known as the Shackleville Mill, saw, grist and ginnery. Wit: J D? Vickery, NP

Butler County, Alabama Deed Book 10, pg 112, 28 July 1898:

W T Dreadin and wife Florence L (x mark) Dreaden (formerly Florence L Burkett) to A G Murphy for \$75:
SE 1/4 of SE 1/4 Sec 8 T9 R13

Butler County, Alabama Deed Book 10, pg 141, 2 June 1898:

Wilson Vickery and Sallie D Vickery to A G Murphy for \$250: S 1/2 of SE 1/4 Sec 35, etc . . . less LDS church. . . less 5 acres in SW corner Sec 2 T9 R12 . . .

Transcripts - **Commissioners Court Minutes, Butler County, 1860 - :**

CPN (# obscured in binding)RPN 83: Commissioners Court Special Term Feb 21, 1903:

Commissioners C G Jones, J G Reynolds and A G Murphy met to take some action on repairing court house or building a new one. A G Murphy was paid \$3.85 for one day plus mileage. (Several other items regarding repair of bridges and building new court house.)

1880 US Census, Butler County, ED 42?, page 9, Beat 16, Rocky Creek, #75:

Murphy, Augustus 21, farmer Al Al - -
Mary M 19, Al Ga - -

1900 US Census Butler County, Alabama, Pct 1, Starlington, pg 23A, #370(or 387 using corrected nbrs):
(Ancestry.com points to pg 23B, which is blank)

Murphy, A G 41 (Jan 1859) married 20 yrs, Al Al Al
Mary M 39 (Jan 1861) Al Al Al
Thomas 17 (Aug 1882), Jasper 15 (Sep 1884), Pearl 13 (Nov 1886), John L 6 (July 1893)

also:

Seale, William 93 (Mar 1807) widowed, uncle SC SC SC

1910 US Census Soundex Monroe County, Alabama, ED 133 Sht 2:

Murphy, A G 51
Mary 49
John L 16

1920 US Census Monroe County, Alabama, 14 Feb, ED 155 Sht 19, line 46, Pct 14, Jones Mill, (Jones Mill is a short distance SW of Excel, which is a little south of Monroeville), pg 262, #306:

Murphy, Augustus G 61 owns farm, can R/W, merchant, retail store, own account Al Al Al
Mary 58? can R/not W Al Al Al

also:

Murphy, John L 24 automobile mechanic, works on own account, can R/W Al Al Al
Alma 23 Al Al Al can R/W

at #301 on pg 241 in Jones Mill:

Murphy, Tom J 37 owns farm, both can R/W Al Al Al
Lillie 27 wife Al Al Al
Tom Jack 9, Lillie Alice 7 (both in school, can R/W), Turner 3&0/12 all b. Al
Augustus G, only 5 entries away, had a son Thomas, b. Aug 1882. Same person?

at #154 in Jones Mill on pg 250 in 1920 is:

Murphy, Anderson 35 Al Al Al, owns farm, merchant, general merchandise
Winnie 34 Al Al Al
Alberta 11 (in school), Lois 9 (in school), Ford 6 (born MS), Maxwell 4 0/12, Robert E 1 10/12

This Anderson appears to be Woody Murphy's grandfather Anderson Jasper, son of Augustus G (Chuck).

More About AUGUSTUS G. (CHUCK) MURPHY:

Burial: 02 May 1947, Excel, Monroe County, Alabama⁴⁸

Notes for MARY M. WASDIN:

Middle initial 'M' from marriage record. Ashley-Pace web page has her middle name Elizabeth.

Alabama Death Index, 1908-59 has a Mary M. Murphy died 15 May 1946 in Monroe County, Vol. 20, Certificate 9640, Role 4. I have not obtained copy to verify if it is the same person.

Children of AUGUSTUS MURPHY and MARY WASDIN are:

22. i. MINNIE⁵ MURPHY, b. 28 Feb 1881, Butler County, Alabama; d. Aft. 1969.
- ii. THOMAS J MURPHY, b. 02 Aug 1882, Butler County, Alabama⁴⁹; d. Bet. 1920 - 01 Apr 1930.

Notes for THOMAS MURPHY:

WWI Draft Registration Card, Monroe County, Alabama:

Thomas J Murphy, age 36, b. 2 Aug 1882. Farmer in Rt 2, Roy, Monroe County, Alabama.
Nearest relative: Lillie E Murphy, Rt 2, Roy.

1920 Monroe County, Alabama, 5 Feb, Pct 14, Jones Mill, pg 241, #301:
Murphy, Tom J 37 owns farm, both can R/W Al Al Al
Lillie 27 wife Al Al Al
Tom Jack 9, Lillie Alice 7 (both in school, can R/W), Turner 3&0/12 all b. Al

Augustus G, father, 5 entries away at #306.

1930 Monroe County, Alabama, 1 April, Precinct 14, Jones Mill, Frisco City, pg 282A, #180/192:
Murphy, Lillie J 39 (widow of Tom J - see 1920 Monroe Co.)
Tom J 19, Merrie L (dau) 17, Turner G? 13, Alice J 7

23. iii. ANDERSON JASPER MURPHY, b. Sep 1884, Butler County, Alabama.
 iv. PEARL MURPHY, b. Nov 1886, Butler County, Alabama⁴⁹; m. J. ARCHIE HUGGINS, 03 Jul 1907, Butler County, Alabama⁵⁰.
 v. JOHN L. (SULLIVAN) MURPHY, b. Jul 1893, Butler County, Alabama⁵¹; m. ALMA FILLINGHAM.

Notes for JOHN L. (SULLIVAN) MURPHY:
1900 census lists as John L. Family tradition remembers him as 'Sullivan'. Wife's last name by tradition - no documentation; Annie Murphy Raines thought that Sullivan had married a Fillingham. Name Alma from 1920 census. Lived with his parents then. See father's notes for 1920 census data.

7. ANDERSON D. (DOC)⁴ MURPHY (*JULIUS B.*³, *WILSON*², *JOHN*¹) was born Aug 1860 in Butler County, Alabama^{51,52}, and died 25 Jul 1927 in Jones Mill, Monroe County, Alabama⁵³. He married GEORGIA TAYLOR 29 Oct 1889 in Butler County, Alabama⁵⁴. She was born 1867^{55,56}, and died Aft. 1919.

Notes for ANDERSON D. (DOC) MURPHY:

Death certificate does not provide much useful information. No information on parents or spouse. No birthdate, no age, no name of informant. All it has is date of death, of organic heart disease, at home in Jones Mill; occupation blurred - clark? in "mdse"; born in Butler County; buried at Mt. Pisgue(sic), signed W A Mason, MD, Excel, Alabama.

Age 11 on 1870 census. Butler County marriage record: "married at home of William Taylor". Assume all children born in Butler County, but Annie Lou may have been born in Monroe. Both James Earl Murphy and Annie Murphy Raines (children of Emmett) reported that Doc lived in Excel, Ala. Annie Belle Murphy Phillips listed his children as Ola May, Annie Lou, Zema and another boy. Said Chuck and Doc both lived in Excel and both had stores.

1880 US Census, Butler County, Alabama, 16 June, Beat #?, City of Greenville, Commerce Street, pg 318, #329:

Walton, Enoch P	42	merchant (disabled, suffering from a fall)	SC SC SC
Mary E	30		Al SC SC
Beverly, Ellen	62	sgl, aunt	SC SC SC
Murphy, Anderson D	19	boarder, farmer	Al - - -

***It has been suggested that Wilson Murphy's wife, Anne, might be a Beverly. Any relevance here?

1900 US Census, Butler County, Alabama, Precinct 1, Starlington, pg 17A, #266/272:

(Ancestry.com links to page 17B from by index)

Murphy, A D	39	(8/1860) married 12 yrs	Al Al Al
Georgia	33	(- 1867) 4 children born/4 living	Al Al Al
Zema (son)	8	(9/1891), Connie (son) 5 (11/1894), Ora May 3/12 (3/1900)	all born in Al

also:

Murphy, Amanda 75 (1/1825) - mother, 8 ch/7 living Al Al Al
(All are accounted for except Julia/Judy - is she dead?)

1910 US Census Soundex Monroe County, Alabama, ED 133 Sht 2:

Murphy, A D 49
Georgia 42
Zema (son) 19, Connie (son) 15, Ora May 10, Annie Lou 9

1920 US Census, Monroe County, Alabama, 3 Feb, ED 155 Sht 10 (pg 252), Pct 14, Jones Mill, #190:
Murphy, Anderson 58 farmer, owns farm, can R/W Al Al Al
Georgia 54 cannot R/W Al Al Al

1930 US Census, Monroe County, Alabama, see widow Georgia's notes

More About ANDERSON D. (DOC) MURPHY:
Burial: Mt. Pisgah Cemetery, Monroe County, Alabama⁵⁷

Notes for GEORGIA TAYLOR:
Is this Georgia Taylor?

1930 Soundex, Monroe County, Alabama, ED 20 (or 22?) Sht 284:
Murphy, Georgia 63 + 3 boarders (Probably Anderson D's widow; he died 1927)

Children of ANDERSON MURPHY and GEORGIA TAYLOR are:

- i. ZEMA⁵ MURPHY⁵⁸, b. Sep 1891, Butler County, Alabama⁵⁹.

Notes for ZEMA MURPHY:

1920 US Census Monroe County, Alabama, 19 Feb, ED 155 Sht 21, line 59 (pg 263), Pct 14, Jones Mill, #357:

Murphy, Zemer 27 Al Al Al, rents, laborer, working out, can R/W

Myra 27 Al Al Al, can R/W

Curtis 6, Ollie Roy 4 1/12, Winford (son) 2 3/12 all born Al

(note: Alabama Death Index has a Winford Murphy d. 6 Jan 1947 Monroe Co., certif. #1419)

- ii. CON MURPHY⁶⁰, b. Nov 1894, Butler County, Alabama⁶¹.
- iii. ORA MAE MURPHY⁶², b. Mar 1900, Butler County, Alabama⁶³; m. ELIJAH WILLIAMSON⁶⁴.

Notes for ORA MAE MURPHY:

May have married a Williamson, according to Annie Belle Murphy Phillips (her first cousin once removed), 1985.

See notes on sister Annie Lou for email from Freda Noble concerning Ora Mae and Annie Lou.

Subj: Re: Murphy families
Date: 2/18/2003 1:41:41 PM Eastern Standard Time
From: tnoble@mcn.org
To: Wildamurphy2@aol.com

Wilda,

You know I always heard "Ora Mae." But, as a child, I could have easily mis-heard. I really think it was Ora Mae. The census takers often wrote what they heard which can be confusing.

A story for you...I remember attending Ora Mae's husband's funeral. Lige was murdered in Atmore, Al., at his bar-restaurant. It was an awful experience for a child to see that grieving family. The daughters Pauline and Dorothy actually wailed with their mother. The services were held in a church in Excel and I remember I walked down the line with my parents, shaking everyone's hand. I was so frightened by the experience that when I took Pauline's hand, I said "I am so glad I could come." Then, later was mortified because I knew that wasn't the right thing to say.

Lige had a huge skating rink and a swimming pool in Monroeville when I was little. I can still remember the fun we had in the pool. Dad like to go swimming at night and we would spend a couple of hours there. The bright different colored lights that were strung around the pool, the smell of chlorine and the fear of the high dive are still with me! I remember spending the night at their house when my sister was born. Ora Mae had milk cows and delivered me and our milk back to our house the next morning. Lovely memories.

Freda

Subject: Murphy/Williamson
Date: 12/6/2003 10:08:37 PM Eastern Standard Time
From: tnoble@mcn.org
To: Wildamurphy2@aol.com

Dear Wilda,

I just read through the info you posted on the Butler County Pioneer Project on the Murphys. Do appreciate that new project. I would like to know if you have more info on the family below.

Ora Mae Murphy and Lige Williamson were close friends of my parents and cousins to both of them. I would like to have more info on them if it is available.

I heard that Pauline and Ray Williamson were both deceased, but I do not have dates, etc.

Thank you. Freda

1 Elijah Washington Williamson

Birth: 1889
Death: 1945
Father: Isaac Henry Williamson (1857-1921)
Mother: Martha "Mattie" Regan

Called "Lige." He was murdered in a bar/cafe in Atmore, Al.

Spouse: Ora Mae Murphy
Birth: 4 Feb 1900
Death: Aug 1975, Mobile, Al
Father: Anderson "Doc" Murphy (1860-1927)
Mother: Georgia Taylor (1867-)

- iv. ANNIE LOU MURPHY⁶⁵, b. Abt. 1901, Butler County, Alabama.

Notes for ANNIE LOU MURPHY:
Name reported by Annie Belle Murphy Phillips. Not on 1900 census.

Email from Freda Roberson Noble, 17 Feb 2003:

I also think that Annie Lou, Doc Murphy's daughter, is the wife of Sherrod Samuel Sims, Sr. The birth year is correct. Will have to ask other Sims researchers. Thank you again. Freda

...
... on 18 Feb 2003:

I didn't know that my cousin Ora Mae Murphy Williamson was related to your Murphys until tonight when I checked for sources. She married Elijah Williamson, called "Lige." Ora Mae and Annie Lou are sisters. The Williamsons were very close to the Sims family, so it just makes sense that Doc Murphy's daughter, and Ora Mae's sister, married Sherrod Sims. I will try to get some documentation though.

8. ELLA ANNIE⁴ MURPHY (*JULIUS B.*³, *WILSON*², *JOHN*¹) was born 19 Dec 1862 in Butler County, Alabama^{66,67}, and died 23 Dec 1935 in Florala, Covington County, Alabama⁶⁸. She married WILLIAM HENRY DIXON 20 Oct 1904 in Georgiana, Butler County, Alabama⁶⁹. He was born Bet. 1854 - 1855^{70,71,72}, and died 22 Dec 1939 in Florala, Covington County, Alabama.

Notes for ELLA ANNIE MURPHY:

Death certif. gives birthdate as Dec. 19, 1862. Was name actually Eleanor Ann?

Butler County marriage records: Mrs. Annie Murphy married W.H. Dixson on 20 Oct. 1904 at Georgiana by W J Powers, minister of gospel. W H Dixson signed his name with 'x'. Estate papers of her father, Julius Murphy, mention Annie as youngest of his heirs.

Butler County Register of Births, 1899 - (no end date) (in Butler County Probate office) lists illegitimate male child born to Ella Murphy, Beat 18, Jan 25, 1900, reported by Henry Green. Census 1900 lists son Hamp as 2 mo. old, born Mar? or May? 1900.

Funeral record provided by Evans Funeral Home in Florala states that Ella is buried in Greenwood Cemetery, Florala, Ala, lot #1, grave #1. The undertaker listed on the death certificate was Shepherd Funeral Home of Florala (a precursor to Evans?). She died at 3:30 PM, Dec 23, 1935 of valvular heart disease, at home, Railroad Ave and Florala Ave. The certifying doctor was from Lakewood, Fla. (The Jackson logging camp where Hamp worked was near Lakewood.) The funeral, ordered by Mrs. Charlie Collins, was charged to Brown Service Funeral Co, in Florala. It was secured "by policy". She was a Baptist. Services were held at 2 PM on Christmas Eve at home of Hamp Murphy in Florala.

Her personal information was taken directly from the death certificate, the informant of which was her son Hamp Murphy. Her father's name was listed as John (not Julius) Murphy. (Julius had been dead for 70 years, and apparently no one knew of him.) Mother's maiden name and birthplace were listed as unknown.

Lizzie's daughter Dorothy Applin told me (in a telephone conversation in the mid 1980s) there was no tombstone for Ella.

On the 1900 census, several of the ages and Hamp's birth date were clearly changed on the census entry. They were written in over the original numbers in a darker pencil at a later time, apparently to make the ages agree with the date written. George's age of 13 was written in over something else; Buna's age of 7 was written over an '8'; Lizzie's age of 5 was written in over a '6' and Hamp's age of 2/12 was written over something else; the '9' in 1900 was written over an '8'; the last letter of the month was very faded and could have been 'r' instead of 'y'.

The Ancestry.com copy is almost illegible. I took this information in the 1980s from a microfilm copy.

1900 US Census, Butler County, 1 June, Reel 1, pg 2b, Pct 16, Rocky Creek, #26:

Murphy, Ella	36 (Dec 1863) widow, can R/W	Al Al Al
George	13 (Oct 1886)	Al Al Al
Minnie	10 (Dec 1889)	Al Al Al
Buna	7 (Nov 1892)	Al Al Al
Lizzie	5 (Nov 1894)	Al Al Al
Burnie	3 (Mar 1897)	Al Al Al
Hamp	2/12 (Mar or May 1900)	Al Al Al

George and Minnie could not R/W. They lived in a house, not a farm. Farm laborers. None of the children were in school.

1910 US Census, Covington County, Alabama, 22 April, Florala, Beat #9, Florala City, Sixth Street, pg 13a, #272/283:

Dixon, William H	56	second mar., mar. 7 yrs, farmer, rents farm, cannot R/W	SC SC SC
Ella M	45	second marriage, 7 children born/6 living, can R/W	AI AI AI
Murphy, Lizzie	14	stepdau	AI AI AI
Bernie	13	stepson	AI AI AI
Joe H	11	stepson	AI AI AI
Dixon, Amanda	5	dau	AI SC AI
Rena	13	dau	SC SC SC

(none of children can R/W, none in school in past year)

1920 US Census, Covington County, Alabama, 16 Feb, no city, Precinct #9 (near Florala), ED 57 Sht 40 line 85, pg 101b, #873:

Dixon, W Henry	65	owns farm, cannot R/W, laborer in log camp for wages	SC SC SC
Ella	57	can R/W	AI US US
Hamp M	19	son, can R/W, laborer in log camp for wages	AI
Jack	15	dau, can R/W	AI
Rina	22	dau, cannot R/W	SC

On pg 101a: Jim Murphy, son of Ella's sister, Bett.

On pg 102a at #881: Hilary W Worlds, 30, a Butler County name.

1930 US Census Covington County, Alabama, 14 April, Pct 9, Florala, West Fifth Avenue, ED 16 Sht 21B, #510:

Dickson, William H	75	mar. age 20, rents, \$6.00, no radio	SC US US
Ella	70	mar. age 15	AI AI AI

(He is a driver of wood wagon, veteran of Spanish War. Neither marked as able to R/W.)

On pg 67a, #556: Wilks Coleman, 45, son of Ella's sister Susan.

More About ELLA ANNIE MURPHY:

Burial: Greenwood Cemetery, Florala, Covington County, Alabama⁷³

Notes for WILLIAM HENRY DIXON:

Date of birth uncertain. Funeral record gives birthdate as 15 Aug 1880 and age as 59, although three census entries show his birth year to be 1854 or 1855. (Ella's age also varied on those three censuses.) The funeral record does not indicate who provided the information, but since he died at the home of Bernie Murphy, Bernie may have been the informant.

He was a retired woodman and died at 4 AM of chronic myocarditis, at home of B Murphy (that would be Bernie). Services at Evans Funeral Home in Florala, Alabama. Buried at Greenwood Cemetery. Survivors listed:

dau: Mrs F G Raines (Note by wrm: Amanda "Jack" Dixon)
stepsons: Hamp and Bernie Murphy of Florala, and George Murphy of Jay, Florida
stepdaus: Mrs Charlie Collins of Florala and Mrs Gus Fussell of Ruthine, Alabama
(Lizzie and Buna Murphy - wrm)

More About WILLIAM HENRY DIXON:

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Children of ELLA ANNIE MURPHY are:

24. i. GEORGE⁵ MURPHY, b. 01 Oct 1883, Butler County, Alabama; d. 26 Jul 1974, Tuskegee, Macon County, Alabama.
- ii. MINNIE MURPHY, b. Dec 1889, Butler County, Alabama⁷⁴; d. Bef. 1929⁷⁵.

Notes for MINNIE MURPHY:

Reported to have died fairly young. John J Murphy, son of Bernie, said that Minnie had died before he was born (1929).

Covington Co, Ala, marriage records, Book D-152 shows a Minnie Murphy, age 20, married W.J. Wright, age 35, on 5 Mar 1911 at Bradley. She was 5'4" tall, 125 lb. If Ella's Minnie was born in Dec 1889, she would have been 21 then. Minnie was not in her mother's household on the 1910 census.

The only Minnie Wrights indexed in Covington County in 1920 were born abt 1876 and 1905. There was a Minnie Wright (31), wife of W(illiam) J Wright (30, farmer) in Clarke Co, Al, in 1920, sons Jacob Lester (7), William Thomas (5), Jessie John (3 2/12) and Fred King (1 1/12). None of this family found in 1930 Alabama or Florida.

25. iii. BUNA MURPHY, b. Nov 1892, Butler County, Alabama; d. Aug 1950.
26. iv. ELIZABETH (LIZZIE) MURPHY, b. Nov 1894, Butler County, Alabama; d. Bef. Jun 1956.
27. v. BERNIE MURPHY, b. 06 Mar 1898, Alabama; d. Sep 1963, Biloxi, Harrison County, Mississippi.
28. vi. JOE HAMP MURPHY, b. 12 Jan 1900, Butler County, Alabama; d. May 1973, Mobile, Mobile County, Alabama.

Child of ELLA MURPHY and WILLIAM DIXON is:

29. vii. AMANDA (JACK)⁵ DIXON, b. Abt. 1904.