

Descendants of Elizabeth A. Owens

Generation No. 1

1. ELIZABETH A.² OWENS (*HOLLEY*¹) was born 15 Dec 1853 in Alabama^{1,2}, and died 14 Feb 1918³. She married JOHN S. STAFFORD Abt. 1881^{4,5}, son of ROBERT STAFFORD and PERMELIA BARKER. He was born 24 Aug 1855⁶, and died 04 Jun 1936 in Darlington, Walton County, Florida⁷.

Notes for ELIZABETH A. OWENS:

Dates from tombstone in **Hurricane Creek Cemetery, Holmes County, Florida**, in Stafford plot:
Stafford, Elizabeth A Owens 15 Dec 1853 14 Feb 1918

Sisters **Samantha E. Pope** and **Martha Ann Sorrells** and mother **Martha Jane** also buried in Stafford plot. According to Mr. Gene Weeks of Holmes Co., Fl, she was first wife of John S. Stafford. (Second wife, Amanda Stafford 4 Aug 1877 - 9 Mar 1961 also buried in same plot. Per Mr. Weeks, there were no children from the second marriage.) Actually, he may have been married to someone before Elizabeth, as the 1910 census indicates it to be his second marriage and her first, and an 1880 Geneva County census entry that may be the same person (in household of James J Gilmore) shows him to be divorced at age 25.

To the right of Martha Powell Owens' grave:

Son of WH & CE Stafford 26 May 1916 - 18 Jun 1916 (William Hamilton was Elizabeth's son)
Leeanna, dau of JC & SM Stafford 4 Jun 1908 - 8 Nov 1915 (John C was Elizabeth's son)
Infant dau of WH & CE Stafford 10 Oct 1910 - 10 Oct 1910 (William Hamilton and Cora)
Mary Elizabeth, dau of JS & EA Stafford 1 Jul 1895 - 28 Mar 1898

Florida Death Certificate, file #1789, information: Elizabeth A Stafford, born 16 Dec 1853, age 64 yrs 2 mo 28 days, died 14 Feb 1918 of La Grippe; occupation housewife; no information on parents; informant was doctor who signed certificate, J W Beasley MD of Geneva, Alabama.

1880: Elizabeth was still living at home with her mother.

1885 Florida state census, Holmes County: no white Stafford families found in index. However, on the Agricultural Schedule, J S Stafford is listed on pg 27 adjacent to J H Owen and 3 farms away from J D Powell. (Could this have actually been J T Powell, whose son James D married J S and Elizabeth's dau Lizzie Leona?) Twelve entries away, on pg 26, is T O Pope, husband of Elizabeth's sister Samantha.

1885 Florida State Census, Holmes County, Florida, 30 June 1885, pg 31, #257/257:

Sumbling, Q	b m	27	m farming	Al	Ga	Ga	cannot R/W
Sumbling, L A	b f	25	m farming	Al	Al	Al	cannot R/W
Sumbling, M	b f	2	sg	Fl	Al	Al	
Sumblin, A D	b f	8-12	sg	Fl	Al	Al	
Taylor, R	b m	11	sg	Al	Al	Al	

Note: This Sumbling family is listed as black, but I believe this is **white family of **Quitman and Lottie Ann Summerlin** and oldest daughter Mary Ann, b 1883. The woman's initials look like "T A", and the letter "T" on this census is usually very distinct from an "L". However, on household #357 the "L" in "Levins" and on #237 the "L" in "Linton" look exactly like the "T" above in the initials "T A Sumbling", leading me to believe it is really "L A Sumbling". The IQ Summerlin and JS Stafford families were also adjacent on the 1900 census, Hurricane Precinct. Elizabeth Owens Stafford and Lottie Ann Powell Summerlin were first cousins.

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At #258/258:

Stafford, J S	b	m	30	m	farming	Fl	Ga	Fl	cannot R/W
Stafford, E R	b	f	30	m	farming	Al	Al	Al	
Stafford, F E	b	f	3	sg		Al	Fl	Al	
Stafford, F J	b	f	2	sg		Fl	Fl	Al	

Note: This Stafford family is listed as black, but I believe this is **white family of **John S and Elizabeth Owens Stafford** and oldest dau **Frances E**, b 1882. Daughter F J not documented.

At #242: J T Powell family, also listed as black but is probably family of **John Thomas Powell**, Lottie Ann's brother.

Although only 12 entries away on the Agricultural Schedule, Elizabeth Owens Stafford's sister **Samantha Pope** is at #541 on the Population Schedule, between E T and R Sumling.

1900 US Census, Holmes County, Florida, 18 June, Pct 9, Hurricane Creek, pg 85B, #289:

Stafford, John S	45	(Aug 1854)	m. 19 yrs, farmer, owns farm free, cannot R/W	Fl	Al	Al
Elizabeth A	47	(Dec 1852)	6 children/4 living, can R/W	Al	Al	Al
William H (son)	14	(Jul 1885)	at school	Fl	Fl	Al
John C (son)	12	(Jan 1888)	at school	Fl	Fl	Al
Lizzie L (dau)	7	(Oct 1892)		Fl	Fl	Al

At #288: Elizabeth's first cousin **Lottie A Powell** (dau of Daniel F) and husband **I. Quitman Summerlin**

At #290: **Frances E** and **Willis Russell**, reported by Mona Spears to be dau of Eliz. & John Stafford.

1910 US Census, Holmes County, Florida, 21-22 Apr, Pct 9, Hurricane Creek, pg 37B, #53:

Stafford, John	54	m2, farmer, owns farm free, cannot R/W	Fl	Ga	Fl
Elizabeth	57	m1, 32 yrs, can R/W	Al	Al	Al
W H (son)	24	m1, laborer, can R/W	Fl	Fl	Al
Cora (dau/law)	17	m1, 0 yrs, can R/W	Fl	Ga	Fl

At #54: son J C 22 and Callie (Sallie) May 18 + 2 children

More About ELIZABETH A. OWENS:

Burial: Hurricane Creek Cemetery, Holmes County, Florida

Notes for JOHN S. STAFFORD:

Death certificate information (copy of death cert. provided by Mona Carter Spears):

Died in Hurricane Creek Precinct of Holmes County, of myocarditis with general toxemia.
Certificate signed by J W Beasley, MD of Geneva, Alabama. Wife's name: Amanda Stafford. Father's name and place of birth: Bob Stafford, in Alabama. Mother's maiden name unknown. Informant: W H Stafford of Darlington, Florida. (This would be William Hamilton Stafford (1885 - 1970).

BLM Land Records from Duke Vickery's Tract Book Reconstruction at

<http://www.geocities.com/Heartland/Bluffs/3010/holm-17w.htm>

S TWP RNG

S/SW 31 7N 17W STAFFORD, JOHN S 14275 H 1899/06/13

N/NW 6 6N 17W STAFFORD, JOHN S 14275 H 1899/06/13

(Quitman Summerlin and Rody Summerlin in same section 31.)

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A relative? John is reported to be son of Robert Stafford and Permelia Barker. I have not verified.

1870 US Census, Geneva County, Alabama, 9 June, TWP 2, PO Geneva, pg 592A, #307:

Stafford, John, Sen.	75	farmer	Ga
Elizabeth	50		SC
Robert	18	farm laborer	Fl
John, Jun.	16	farm laborer	Fl
Burkett, Eliza	25		Al

They are in Leddon-Marl area:

At #241: Daniel & Caroline Powell (usually in Gilmore's precinct, south of Marl)

At #298: Joseph & Mary Gray; at #301: Aaron Rials

At #315: G W Leddon & Mary (Polly Ann) Gray (Marl-Leddon area)

1880 US Census, Geneva County, Alabama, 4 June, pg 632D, #29:

James J. GILMORE	Self	M	Male	W 49	GA County Treasurer	GA (GA)
Malinda GILMORE	Wife	M	Female	W 46	AL Keeping House	GA ---
Queen E. GILMORE	Dau	S	Female	W 20	AL	GA AL
Laura J. P. GILMORE	Dau	S	Female	W 17	AL	GA AL
*** John STAFFORD	Other	D	Male	W 25	AL Laborer	AL FL

***does not indicate that he cannot R/W

(Is this the John S Stafford who married Elizabeth Owens? Microfilm copy shows his relationship as "laborer".)

(Is this the John S Stafford who married Elizabeth Owens? Possibly - right age. His 1900 and 1910 census entries say he was born in Fl but 1920 says Alabama. Next door is McDougald family, with Ruth age (8) who may be the one who married Jesse Cowan, Polly Ann Gray's son. Six entries prior on page 632C is family of Sally Gray and James M Cumbie. On pg 643A, on **19 June**, at #212 adj Lewis Spears is another **John Stafford, 24, Fl Ga Al, cannot R/W, divorced**, farm laborer, **brother in household of Robert (27)** and Frances E Stafford. Same person, enumerated twice? His 1910 census entry shows his marriage to Elizabeth Owens to be his second. (Widow Martha J Owens and daughter Elizabeth were at #203.) Or are both Robert and John sons of John, Sr, and Elizabeth shown above in 1870?)

1920 US Census, Holmes County, Florida, 16-17 Jan 1920, Pct 9, Hurricane Creek, pg 167A-B, #172:

Stafford, John S	63	farmer, owns mortgaged farm, can R/W	Al Al Al
Mandy	44	can R/W	Fl Fl Fl

These are not ours (not right ages - Elizabeth Owens at home with mother Martha in 1880, age 25).

1885 Florida state census, Walton County, Lake Defuniak, pg 282, #2 (these are **NOT** our John and Elizabeth):

John Stafford	52	farmer	Fl Fl Fl
Elizabeth	42		Al Al Al
Mary 17, Winnie 15, Joseph 10, Jane 5 all born Fl			

According to <http://worldconnect.rootsweb.com/cgi-bin/igm.cgi?op=GET&db=marose&id=I14141> : These people are John Ralph Stafford (son of John Stafford and Hannah Cone) and Elizabeth "Betsy"/"Kizzie" Ray (dau of Ralph and Margaret Elizabeth Ray). Both were born in Coffee Co., Alabama.

According to Mona Carter Spears family sheet, John S Stafford's father, Robert, was also a son of John Stafford and Hannah Cone, making the 1885 census John uncle to Elizabeth Owen's husband, John.

Walton County Marriage Book 2 (1899-1905), pg 223:

Stafford, Joseph and Idel Bell 14 Jan 1903, no witnesses listed

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Children of ELIZABETH OWENS and JOHN STAFFORD are:

2. i. FRANCES E³ STAFFORD, b. 19 Feb 1882; d. 18 May 1975.
3. ii. WILLIAM HAMILTON STAFFORD, b. 29 Jul 1885; d. 09 Oct 1970.
4. iii. JOHN C STAFFORD, b. 15 Jan 1888; d. Aft. 1920.
- iv. ELIZABETH LEONA STAFFORD^{8,9,10}, b. 14 Oct 1891^{11,12}; d. 30 Jul 1986¹²; m. JAMES D POWELL, 25 Oct 1906, Holmes County, Florida¹³; b. 03 Mar 1883, Florida^{14,15}; d. 11 May 1929¹⁵.

Notes for ELIZABETH LEONA STAFFORD:

Not proven definitively, but she is probably the Lizzie Leona Stafford referred to by Dobson on pg 92 as wife of James D Powell, son of John Thomas. Name on 1910 census was Lonie. Lizzie and James D were second cousins.

Lizzie Leona Stafford lived near Leonia, Florida at the time Dobson's book **Possums Run Over Their Graves** was published. Leonia is near Hurricane Creek. See notes on James D Powell.

Holmes County, Florida Marriage Records, Book 1, pg 300:

J D Powell and Miss Elizabeth L Stafford, 25 Oct 1906, by T R McDonald, Notary Public
witnesses: Miles Andrews and G W Pitman

(In 1900, George W Pitman, age 65, lived 2 entries away from James D Powell's family. Also in the Pitman household were Wm C Pitman (21) and wife Sylvester E, 19. In 1910, Wm C Pitman, 31, and wife Sylvester E, 29, lived adjacent to Miles Andrews, 40. In both 1900 and 1910, Wm C's sister Tempy Stafford and her two Stafford children lived in his household.)

More About ELIZABETH LEONA STAFFORD:

Burial: Hurricane Creek Cemetery, Holmes County, Florida

Notes for JAMES D POWELL:

Dobson, pg 92: he was married to Lizzie Leona Stafford, who still lived near Leonia, Florida at the time the book **Possums Run Over Their Graves** was published. Leonia is near Hurricane Creek. Lizzie Leona Stafford (dau of Elizabeth Owens Stafford) and James D Powell were second cousins.

1910 US Census, Holmes County, Florida, 20-21 Apr, Pct 9, Hurricane Creek, pg 37A, #44:

Powell, J D	26	m1, 4 yrs, farmer, owns mtg farm, can R/W	FI	AI	AI	
Lonie	19	m1, 2 children/2 living, can R/W		FI	AI	AI
James	2	FI				
Dannie R	1	FI				

1920 US Census, Holmes County, Florida, 17-19 Jan, Pct 9, Hurricane Creek, pg 168A, #193/196:

Powell, James D	38	farmer, owns farm free	FI	AI	AI	
Powell, Lizzie	28			FI	AI	AI
Powell, James A	12	FI	FI	FI		
Powell, Daniel R	11	FI	FI	FI		
Powell, Oggie? (dau)	9	FI	FI	FI	***First letter is O - supposed to be Aggie?	
Powell, James?	4	7/12	FI	FI	FI	
Powell, Roxie (dau)	2	6/12	FI	FI	FI	
Powell, Coy L (son)	2	12	FI	FI	FI	

More About JAMES D POWELL:

Burial: Hurricane Creek Cemetery, Holmes County, Florida

- v. MARY ELIZABETH STAFFORD¹⁵, b. 01 Jul 1895¹⁵; d. 28 Mar 1898¹⁵.

More About MARY ELIZABETH STAFFORD:

Burial: Hurricane Creek Cemetery, Holmes County, Florida

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2. FRANCES E³ STAFFORD (*ELIZABETH A.² OWENS, HOLLEY¹*)¹⁶ was born 19 Feb 1882^{17,18}, and died 18 May 1975¹⁸. She married WILLIS RUSSELL¹⁹. He was born Jan 1881¹⁹.

Notes for FRANCES E STAFFORD:

Information on Frances' marriage to Willis Russel was provided in Spears/Carter family chart, June 1997, by Mona Carter Spears of Orange Park, Florida, granddaughter of William Hamilton Stafford. Mona has Frances Ellafair as full name in footnote of family report she sent to me in 1997, but no source mentioned.

1900 US Census, Holmes County, Florida, 18 June, Pct 9, Hurricane Creek, pg 85B, #290:

Russel, Willis	Head	W M	Jan 1881	18	mar 2 yrs, farmer	Fl Al Al
Russel, Francis E	wife	W F	Feb 1881	18	1 child/1 living	Al Fl Al
Russel, Alvy B	son	W M	Apr 1899	1		Fl Fl Al

(Note: both their ages are given as 18, but her 18 is scratched out with 19 written over it.)

At #289: John S and Elizabeth A Stafford

1910 US Census, Holmes County, Florida, 20-21 Apr, Precinct 9, Hurricane Creek, pg 37A, #43:

Russell, W J	30	m1, farmer, owns farm free	Fl Al Al	all can R/W
F E (wife)	28	m1, 12 yrs, 4 ch/4 living	Fl Al Al	
Alva (son)	11		Fl Fl Fl	
Bertha	8		Fl Fl Fl	
Maxwell	5		Fl Fl Fl	
J E	3		Fl Fl Fl	

At #44: her sister Lizzie Leona and J D Powell

At #41: Asa Royals

1920 US Census, Holmes County, Florida, 3 Jan, Pct 1, Hickory Hill, pg 133B, #14

(Delmar Owens, enum.):

Russell, Willis	39	owns, mtg, employer in sawmill	Fl Al Al
Frances	37	all can R/W	Al Al Al
Alva (son)	20	widowed, laborer in sawmill	Fl Fl Al
Maxwell	14		
Jay (son)	12		
Leon (son)	11		
Ray (son)	3		
Ruth	10/12		all Fl Fl Al

At #15: Louis (50, Fl Al Al) and Rosie (40, SC SC SC) Powell; laborer in turpentine still and Joe 19, Dorsie? (dau) 14, ?lossee? 12, Minnie 10, Mallard (son) 4, Chester 1

1930 US Census, Holmes County, Florida, 8 Apr, Pct 1, Hickory Hill, pg 104B, #12:

Russell, Francis	40	widow, farmer, owns, all can R/W	Fl Al Al
Maxwell E (son)	25	gen. farm laborer	Fl Fl Fl
Leon D (son)	20	bridge const? laborer	Fl Fl Fl
Ray (son)	14	gen. farm laborer	Fl Fl Fl
Ruthe (dau)	11		Fl Fl Fl

At #21: son Alva Russell

At #22: son Jay E Russell

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<http://www.rootsweb.com/~flholmes/campgrou.htm> (copied 17 Oct 2003):
HOLMES COUNTY, FLORIDA, Camp Ground Cemetery (s/o: side of)

*** RUSSELL: Alva dob April 30, 1899 dod September 15, 1964 dbl with Mittie
RUSSELL: Athaiel dob August 1913 dod August 1921 s/o Mathew
*** RUSSELL: E Maxwell dob June 8, 1905 dod March 26, 1995
*** RUSSELL: Frances E dob February 19, 1882 dod May 18, 1975
RUSSELL: James dob 1887 dod 1964 s/o Mary
RUSSELL: Laura G dob April 9, 1893 dod August 23, 1949 wife of Arnold
RUSSELL: Mary Alice Pate dob July 31, 1922 dod August 2, 1973 s/o James
RUSSELL: Mathew dob August 1852 dod February 1923 s/o Athaiel
*** RUSSELL: Mathew Ray dob July 4, 1916 dod March 6, 1949 US Marines PL SGT WWII
*** RUSSELL: Mittie dob March 29, 1901 dod August 23, 1993 dbl with Alva
RUSSELL: Richard G dob January 26, 1903 dod September 6, 1970

More About FRANCES E STAFFORD:

Burial: Campground Cemetery, Westville, Holmes County, Florida

Notes for WILLIS RUSSELL:

Hurricane Creek Cemetery, Holmes County, Florida: These three graves are adjacent. Bertha Russell was listed as daughter of W J and F E Russell on 1910 census.

Russell, W J	6 Mar 1880	18 Feb 1922	Woodman of the World marker
Russell, Willis Jackson, Jr	20 Oct 1913	25 Oct 1919	
Russell, Bertha Ethel	23 Mar 1902	19 Oct 1910	

Children of FRANCES STAFFORD and WILLIS RUSSELL are:

- i. ALVA B¹⁹ RUSSELL¹⁹, b. 30 Apr 1899²⁰; d. 15 Sep 1964; m. MITTIE UNKNOWN²⁰; b. 29 Mar 1901²⁰; d. 23 Aug 1993²⁰.

Notes for ALVA B RUSSELL:

1930 US Census, Holmes County, Florida, 8 Apr, Pct 1, Hickory Hill, pg 104B-105A, #21:

Russell, Alva	31	1st mar@20, farmer, owns farm, not a vet	Fl Fl Fl
Mittie	29	1st mar@18	Fl Fl Fl
Mariel (dau)	10		Fl Fl Fl
Milford (son)	7		Fl Fl Fl
John D (son)	2		Fl Fl Fl

<http://www.rootsweb.com/~flholmes/campgrou.htm> :

HOLMES COUNTY, FLORIDA

Camp Ground Cemetery

RUSSELL: Alva dob April 30, 1899 dod September 15, 1964 dbl with Mittie

RUSSELL: Mittie dob March 29, 1901 dod August 23, 1993 dbl with Alva

More About ALVA B RUSSELL:

Burial: Campground Cemetery, Westville, Holmes County, Florida

More About MITTIE UNKNOWN:

Burial: Campground Cemetery, Westville, Holmes County, Florida

- ii. JAY E RUSSELL²¹, b. Abt. 1907²²; m. CLARA B UNKNOWN²³.

Notes for JAY E RUSSELL:

1930 US Census, Holmes County, Florida, 8 Apr, Pct 1, Hickory Hill, pg 105A, #22:

Russell, Jay E	22	mar@20, owns home, \$500, laborer at bridge constr. co, not a vet	Fl Fl Fl
Clara B	19	mar@17	Fl Fl Fl
Bettie L	1&6?/12	Fl	

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- iii. MAXWELL E RUSSELL²⁴, b. 08 Jun 1905^{25,26}; d. 26 Mar 1995²⁶.

Notes for MAXWELL E RUSSELL:

<http://www.rootsweb.com/~flholmes/campgrou.htm> (copied 17 Oct 2003):

HOLMES COUNTY, FLORIDA, Camp Ground Cemetery (s/o: side of)

RUSSELL: E Maxwell dob June 8, 1905 dod March 26, 1995
also listed as:

Russell, L. Maxwell 6/8/1905 - 3/26/1995 (but 1930 census has middle initial E)

More About MAXWELL E RUSSELL:

Burial: Campground Cemetery, Westville, Holmes County, Florida

- iv. LEON D RUSSELL²⁷, b. Abt. 1915²⁸.
v. MATTHEW RAY RUSSELL²⁹, b. 04 Jul 1916^{30,31}; d. 06 Mar 1949³¹.

Notes for MATTHEW RAY RUSSELL:

<http://www.rootsweb.com/~flholmes/campgrou.htm> (copied 17 Oct 2003):

HOLMES COUNTY, FLORIDA, Camp Ground Cemetery (s/o: side of)

RUSSELL: Mathew Ray dob July 4, 1916 dod March 6, 1949 US Marines PL SGT WWII

More About MATTHEW RAY RUSSELL:

Burial: Campground Cemetery, Westville, Holmes County, Florida

- vi. RUTH RUSSELL, b. 1919^{32,33}.

3. WILLIAM HAMILTON³ STAFFORD (*ELIZABETH A.² OWENS, HOLLEY¹*)³⁴ was born 29 Jul 1885^{34,35,36}, and died 09 Oct 1970³⁷. He married CORA ETHEL TADLOCK³⁷ 24 Dec 1909 in Holmes County, Florida. She was born 27 Dec 1892³⁷, and died 12 Oct 1974³⁷.

Notes for WILLIAM HAMILTON STAFFORD:

Holmes County, Florida Marriage Records, Book 2, pg 36:

Stafford, W. H. and Tadlock, Cora: 24 DEC 1909, Bk 2:36

1910 US Census, Holmes County, Florida, 21-22 Apr, Pct 9, Hurricane Creek, pg 37B, #53:

Stafford, John	54	m2, 32 yrs, farmer, owns farm free, cannot R/W	Fl Ga Fl
Elizabeth	57	m1, can R/W	Al Al Al
W H (son)	24	m1, 0 yrs	Fl Fl Al
Cora	17	m1, 0 yrs	Fl Ga Fl

1920 US Census, Holmes County, Florida, 15-16 Jan, Pct 9, Hurricane Creek, pg 167A, #171/172:

Stafford, Willie	34	farmer, owns mtgd farm, can R/W	Fl Al Al
Cora E	27	can R/W	Fl Ga Al
Martial W	7	in school	Fl
Milford	6		Fl
Floy (dau)	2	8?/12	Fl
Annie R	2/12		Fl

At #172/173: John S and Mandy Stafford

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<http://ftp.rootsweb.com/pub/usgenweb/fl/holmes/military/1917l-r.txt?sourceid=00228462926758104989> :
Holmes County, FL 1917-18 draft registration index

1ST COLUMN: NAME

2ND COLUMN: BIRTH DATE

3RD COLUMN: ETHNIC GROUP

4TH COLUMN: BIRTH LOCATION OR OTHER INFO (spelling unreliable)

OTHER COLUMNS: LOCATION OF REGISTRATION

Stafford, David O.	15 Jan 1894	W	Darlington FL	Holmes FL
Stafford, James B.	3 Mar 1896	W	Darlington FL	Holmes FL
Stafford, John C.	15 Jan 1888	W	Darlington FL	Holmes FL
Stafford, William Hamilton	29 Jul 1885	W		Holmes FL
Stafford, Wilmer	2 Mar 1900	W		Holmes FL

Children of WILLIAM STAFFORD and CORA TADLOCK are:

- i. MILFORD A⁴ STAFFORD³⁸, b. Abt. 1914³⁹; d. 1995.
- ii. ANNIE RUTH STAFFORD, b. 24 Nov 1919⁴⁰; d. 26 Aug 1992⁴⁰; m. BERNICE ALTON CARTER⁴⁰, 25 Oct 1937, Holmes County, Florida⁴¹; b. 13 Jan 1913⁴²; d. 27 Jul 1985⁴².

Notes for ANNIE RUTH STAFFORD:

<http://www.rootsweb.com/~flholmes/leonia.htm> (copied 15 Oct 2003):

Leonia Baptist Cemetery

Location - Leonia, Holmes Co, FL, Jct HWY 181-185

Copied in August of 1984 by Stuart and Mona Spears, 492 Tara Lane Orange Park, FL 32073

Carter, Alden	Feb 14, 1889	Jan 24, 1915
Carter, Essie L.	Aug 31, 1889	Jun 6, 1961
Carter, Bernice A.	Jan 13, 1913	Jly 27, 1985
Carter, Annie Ruth	Nov 24, 1919	Aug 26, 1992
Carter, Karl Douglass	Oct 6, 1943	Aug 31, 1992

http://www.rootsweb.com/~flholmes/mar_holmes.html (copied 21 May 2004):

Holmes County, FL Marriages

Carter, Bernice Stafford, Annie Ruth 25 OCT 1937 Bk 6:206

More About ANNIE RUTH STAFFORD:

Burial: Leonia Baptist Cemetery, Holmes County, Florida⁴³

More About BERNICE ALTON CARTER:

Burial: Leonia Baptist Cemetery, Holmes County, Florida⁴³

- iii. MARSHALL W STAFFORD⁴⁴, b. Abt. 1913⁴⁵.
- iv. FLOY STAFFORD⁴⁶, b. Abt. Oct 1918⁴⁷.

4. JOHN C³ STAFFORD (*ELIZABETH A.² OWENS, HOLLEY¹*)⁴⁸ was born 15 Jan 1888^{48,49}, and died Aft. 1920⁵⁰. He married SALLIE MAY WHITE⁵⁰ 24 Mar 1907 in Holmes County, Florida⁵¹.

Notes for JOHN C STAFFORD:

Holmes County, Florida Marriage Records, Book 1, pg 344:

J C Stafford and Miss Sallie May White, 24 Mar 1907, by Angus Green, NP;
witnesses: N G Green and D P Stanley

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1910 US Census, Holmes County, Florida, 21-22 Apr, Pct 9, Hurricane Creek, pg 37B, #54:

Stafford, J C 22 m1, 3 yrs, farmer, rents house, can R/W Fl Fl Al
Callie (sic) May 18 m1, 2 children, can R/W Al Al Al
Leanna (dau) 2
Barby (dau) 2

At #53: John & Elizabeth Stafford

At #55: James & Lizzie Pope Russell

(To the right of Martha Powell Owens' grave (in Stafford plot):

Leeanna, dau of JC & SM Stafford 4 Jun 1908 - 8 Nov 1915

Were Leeanna and Barby twins? No stone for Barby at Hurricane Creek.

1920 US Census, Holmes County, Florida, 16-17 Jan 1920, Pct 9, Hurricane Creek, pg 167B, #179:

Stafford, John C 32 owns mtg farm, can R/W Fl Fl Fl
Sallie M 28 can R/W Fl Fl Fl
Iolia 9 in school (Thought at first it was Julia, but definitely Iolia.)
James A 7 in school
Millard W 6
Nora M 4 3/12
Mirtie L 2 all children b. Fl

At #171: William H and Cora Stafford

At #172: John S & Mandy Stafford

1930: not found in Fl or Al

<http://ftp.rootsweb.com/pub/usgenweb/fl/holmes/military/1917l-r.txt?sourceid=00228462926758104989> :

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Stafford, John C.	15 Jan 1888	W Darlington FL	Holmes FL
Stafford, William Hamilton	29 Jul 1885	W	Holmes FL
Stafford, Wilmer	2 Mar 1900	W	Holmes FL

Children of JOHN STAFFORD and SALLIE WHITE are:

- i. LEEANNA⁴ STAFFORD, b. 04 Jun 1908; d. 08 Nov 1915⁵².
- ii. BARBY STAFFORD, b. Abt. 1908⁵³; d. Bef. Jan 1920⁵⁴.

Notes for BARBY STAFFORD:

Possibly twin of Leeanna.

- iii. IOLIA STAFFORD, b. Abt. 1911⁵⁵.
- iv. JAMES A STAFFORD, b. Abt. 1912⁵⁵.
- v. MILLARD W STAFFORD, b. Abt. 1913⁵⁵.
- vi. NORA M STAFFORD, b. 1915⁵⁵.
- vii. MIRTIE L STAFFORD, b. 1917⁵⁵.

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Endnotes

1. Tombstone, although death certificate has 16 Dec 1853.
2. US Census 1860 Coffee County, Alabama, P.O. Elba, page 830-831 #549.
3. Tombstone.
4. US Census 1880 Geneva County, Alabama, 17 June, pg 642B, #203, Elizabeth still at home.
5. US Census 1900 Holmes County, Florida, Pct 9, Hurricane Creek, pg 85B, #289, married 19 years.
6. Death certificate, Florida, State File No. 10881.
7. Death certificate, Florida, State File No. 10881, says Holmes County, but says he died Rte 1, Darlington, which is in Walton County.
8. US Census 1900 Holmes County, Florida, Pct 9, Hurricane Creek, pg 85B, #289, name Lizzie L.
9. Rebecca Newsom Dobson, *Possums Run Over Their Graves*, (orig. pub. 1985; reprinted 1995; Dobson Genealogy Consultants, Ozark, Alabama (dates are often suspect)), 92, name Lizzie Leona Stafford.
10. Holmes County, Florida marriage records, Book 1, pg 300, name Elizabeth L Stafford.
11. US Census 1900 Holmes County, Florida, Pct 9, Hurricane Creek, pg 85B, #289, has 1892 for birth year.
12. Tombstone.
13. Holmes County, Florida marriage records, Book 1, pg 300.
14. US Census 1900 Holmes County, Florida, Pct 9, Hurricane Creek, pg 85A, #282.
15. Tombstone.
16. Spears, Mona Carter, of Orange Park, Florida, granddaughter of William Hamilton Stafford, posting on rootsweb.com message board for Holmes County, Fl:
<http://boards.ancestry.com/mbexec?htx=message&r=rw&p=localities.northam.usa.states.florida.counties.holmes&m=254.261> .
17. US Census 1900 Holmes County, Florida, 1900 US Census, Holmes County, Florida, 18 June, Pct 9, Hurricane Creek, pg 85B, #290, gives year 1881, although tombstone gives 1882.
18. Online cemetery listing, <http://www.rootsweb.com/~flholmes/campgrou.htm> .
19. US Census 1900 Holmes County, Florida, 1900 US Census, Holmes County, Florida, 18 June, Pct 9, Hurricane Creek, pg 85B, #290.
20. Online cemetery listing, <http://www.rootsweb.com/~flholmes/campgrou.htm> .
21. US Census 1930 Holmes County, Florida, Pct 1, Hickory Hill, pg 105A, #22, middle initial E.
22. US Census 1920 Holmes County, Florida, Pct 1, Hickory Hill, pg 133B, #14.
23. US Census 1930 Holmes County, Florida, Pct 1, Hickory Hill, pg 105A, #22.
24. US Census 1930 Holmes County, Florida, Pct 1, Hickory Hill, pg 104B, #12, middle initial E.
25. US Census 1920 Holmes County, Florida, Pct 1, Hickory Hill, pg 133B, #14.
26. Online cemetery listing, <http://www.rootsweb.com/~flholmes/campgrou.htm>.
27. US Census 1930 Holmes County, Florida, Pct 1, Hickory Hill, pg 104B, #12, middle initial D.
28. US Census 1920 Holmes County, Florida, Pct 1, Hickory Hill, pg 133B, #14.
29. Online cemetery listing, <http://www.rootsweb.com/~flholmes/campgrou.htm>, full name Matthew Ray.
30. US Census 1920 Holmes County, Florida, Pct 1, Hickory Hill, pg 133B, #14.
31. Online cemetery listing, <http://www.rootsweb.com/~flholmes/campgrou.htm>.
32. US Census 1920 Holmes County, Florida, Pct 1, Hickory Hill, pg 133B, #14.
33. US Census 1930 Holmes County, Florida, Pct 1, Hickory Hill, pg 104B, #12.
34. Spears, Mona Carter, of Orange Park, Florida, granddaughter of William Hamilton Stafford, Spears/Carter family chart, June 1997.
35. US Census 1900 Holmes County, Florida, Pct 9, Hurricane Creek, pg 85B, #289.
36. *WWI Draft Registration, Holmes County, Florida*, (<http://ftp.rootsweb.com/pub/usgenweb/fl/holmes/military/>), "Electronic."
37. Spears, Mona Carter, of Orange Park, Florida, granddaughter of William Hamilton Stafford, Spears/Carter family chart, June 1997.
38. Stafford Coursey, Betty Sue, daughter of Milford Stafford, Stafford family data, telephone conversation with Wilda Murphy, 1997.
39. US Census 1920 Holmes County, Florida, Pct 9, Hurricane Creek, pg 167A, #171.
40. Spears, Mona Carter, of Orange Park, Florida, granddaughter of William Hamilton Stafford, Spears/Carter family chart, June 1997.
41. Holmes County, Florida marriage records, http://www.rootsweb.com/~flholmes/mar_holmes.html , Bk 6, pg 206.
42. Spears, Mona Carter, of Orange Park, Florida, granddaughter of William Hamilton Stafford, Spears/Carter family chart, June 1997.
43. Online cemetery listing, <http://www.rootsweb.com/~flholmes/leonia.htm> .
44. US Census 1920 Holmes County, Florida, Pct 9, Hurricane Creek, pg 167A, #171.
45. US Census 1920 Holmes County, Florida, Pct 9, Hurricane Creek, pg 167A, #171.
46. US Census 1920 Holmes County, Florida, Pct 9, Hurricane Creek, pg 167A, #171.

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47. US Census 1920 Holmes County, Florida, Pct 9, Hurricane Creek, pg 167A, #171.
48. US Census 1900 Holmes County, Florida, Pct 9, Hurricane Creek, pg 85B, #289.
49. *WWI Draft Registration, Holmes County, Florida*, (<http://ftp.rootsweb.com/pub/usgenweb/fl/holmes/military/>), "Electronic," full date.
50. US Census 1920 Holmes County, Florida, Pct 9, Hurricane Creek, pg 167B, #179.
51. Holmes County, Florida marriage records, Book 1, pg 344.
52. Tombstone.
53. US Census 1910 Holmes County, Florida, Pct 9, Hurricane Creek, pg 37B, #54, age 2, same as Leeanna.
54. US Census 1920 Holmes County, Florida, Pct 9, Hurricane Creek, pg 167B, #179, not listed with family.
55. US Census 1920 Holmes County, Florida, Pct 9, Hurricane Creek, pg 167B, #179.