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# Benjamin Putnam

## Massachusetts to Georgia

Benjamin Putnam, or most likely Benjamin Farley Putnam, was born in Danvers (Salem Village), Massachusetts on August 26, 1751. He served as a surgeon in the Revolutionary War. After the War he settled in Savannah, Georgia before 1787 and he remained for the rest of his life. He received a land grant in Chatham County Georgia in 1805. He died soon afterwards.

Benjamin is listed as number 414 in Eben Putnam's books. This line goes back Benjamin (414) > Henry (160) > Eleazer (31) > John (8) > John Putnam (1) from England.

He married Ann Sophia Malcolm originally from Washington D.C. She received a widow's land grant in the 1820 lottery along with the kids.

Benjamin and Ann had the following children that lived past his death. There were two others, JOHN PUTNAM (born 1794) and HELEN PUTNAM (born 1792), who died young.

**AUGUSTUS H. PUTNAM** was born about 1790 and married Mary Alice Tebeau on April 13, 1815. He died in Savannah on August 28, 1817.

**JOHN GUSTAVUS PUTNAM** was born about 1796 in Savannah. He married Sarah Attaway Lewis on October 3, 1838. He died in Madison, Madison County Florida May 1, 1864. In 1850, they had these children:

**Caroline Lewis Putnam** born in August 1839 in Tallahassee, Florida. She never married.

**Catherine Murial Putnam** born in Madison, Florida July 5, 1842. She married Philip DuVal June 15, 1867. They had three children: Henry Samuel, Philip Putnam, and Sarah Attaway DuVal.

**Mary Malcolm Putnam** born July 11, 1844. She married Frederick Shaffer January 15, 1868. They had three children: John Putnam, Robert Frederick, and Lucy Mary Shaffer.

**Anna Attaway Putnam** born January 28, 1848. She was a twin with John.

**John Lewis Putnam** born January 28, 1848, and died in 1876 in Savannah of Yellow Fever. He married Florence Thompson in 1870. They had two sons, Lewis Dexter Putnam and John Gustavus Putnam.

**Lucy Dangerfield Putnam** born July 18, 1852. She married Edwin Wiley in January 1881. There were no children.

**CHARLES E. PUTNAM** was born about 1797. He was a preacher in Glynn and McIntosh counties, Georgia, mostly in Brunswick. I do not think he ever married. He died in Darien, Glynn County in 1847.

**CAROLINE PUTNAM** born in 1800. She married Peter Mitchell in 1816 and died in New Jersey in October 1839. There were no children.

**BENJAMIN ALEXANDER PUTNAM** born in Savannah in 1801. He married Helen Kirby in March 1830 and died in Palatka, Putnam County, Florida on January 25, 1869.

Little side bit here, Putnam County was named after Ben. He graduated Phillips Andover in 1817 and Harvard in 1823. They had one daughter:

**Catherine Putnam** born January 1, 1831. She married Dr. John Calhoun of Charleston, South Carolina. He was a son of the South Carolina Senator and orator, John C. Calhoun. They had two children: John C. who died young and Benjamin Putnam Calhoun.