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Thomas Putman

of Hall and Cherokee Counties Georgia

Thomas Putman, son of Barnet and Sarah Putman, was born in North Carolina in the late 1760s or early 1770s and moved with the family to South Carolina in 1773. He again moved with the family to Anderson in the Pendleton District in 1792. Sometime just after 1800, Thomas married Mary Barton, a daughter of Bavester and Elizabeth Barton, probably in Pendleton County, South Carolina. The Bartons also lived in Anderson and went to Kentucky with the Putmans, so he may have married in Warren County, Kentucky. There is a wedding certificate up there I understand. Thomas bought two parcels of land along the `B' branch of Generostee Creek on May 27, 1802. One parcel from his brother Daniel and one from John Barnett.

Thomas joined the family exodus to Bowling Green, Warren County, Kentucky and acquired lands there in 1804. He was joined in 1805 by his brother Laban and shortly afterwards by his father Barnet, brother Daniel and family plus assorted members of the Combs, Duff, Skelton, Holcomb and other families of the Pendleton District.

Thomas and Mary appear in the 1810 Census of Kentucky as living in Warren County with 2 sons and 2 daughters all under the age of 10 years. By 1812 Barnet, Daniel and the rest had all moved northward into southern Indiana.

Thomas and his family remained but sometime in 1817, he and his family, along with his brother, Ezekiel and his brood, moved to Hall County, Georgia in the general area north of Gainesville, near Murraysville.

By 1825 Thomas had some 1500 acres of land in Hall, Cherokee and Cass counties. He was one of the twelve founders of the Yellow Creek Baptist Church in January of 1823. He was the church delegate from 1823 through 1832 to the Association.

They remained there for the remainder of their lives. Mary had died before the 1830 census and Thomas died in 1835. Both are buried in Hall County, Georgia at the Yellow Creek Baptist Church Cemetery. His estate sale took place October 29-30-31, 1835. He left each of his children, among other bequests, 250 acres of his land. 250 acres represented a *Plantation*. His will is in Miscellaneous Records Book A on page 214.

The following is what I presently know about the children of Thomas and Mary Putman and the children of these children. Some remained in Georgia, most simply moved on westward as the country grew.

Wilson Putman

Wilson was born in Warren County, Kentucky in 1806. He married Malissa Goss, a daughter of Benjamin Goss, in Hall County, Georgia on January 12, 1826. Another source says Malissa's folks were Thomas Goss Junior and Patsy Putman (daughter of Thomas Putman of North Carolina). I am not certain at all here.

Wilson died in Hall County at an early age on March 10, 1830 and left his wife and two small girls.

There was no will, but Thomas and David Putman were administrators of his estate. In his father's will, the two grand daughters are named, they were Mary and Martha.

In the 1830 census Malissa lived next door to his brother David in Hall County. She married Perry Garmon on December 4, 1831. In the 1840 Census she was living in Lumpkin County, Georgia with Perry Garmon her two daughters and some new Garmon kids. They moved to Polk County, Arkansas in the 1850s and she was to remain there until her death in the 1880s.

The Putman children were:

MARY PUTMAN was born in Hall County about 1823. She married Simeon Smith in Lumpkin County on July 7, 1842. They took over guardianship of her sister Martha on July 13, 1844.

MARTHA PUTMAN born January 27, 1827. She married Joel T. Heard in Lumpkin County, Georgia on April 6, 1848. They were in Forsythe County, Georgia in the 1850s and 1860s. Joel died January 9, 1905 and Martha died in March of 1910. Their children were:

Martha G. Heard born July 22, 1852 and died August 11, 1884. She married Asaph Hill.

Almeda Heard born July 12, 1855 and died August 8, 1882. She married A. Wyatt.

Isaac Newton Heard born April 18, 1858 and died December 4, 1881.

George Washington Heard born August 25, 1863 and died December 29, 1929. He married Alice J. Sams.

Andrew Jackson Heard born September 25, 1866 and died May 6, 1898.

Nancy Annabell Heard born about 1870. She married Samuel Frederick Orr.

Parilee Heard born June 19, 1872 and died October 3, 1906. She married George Sherman Roach on August 15, 1895.

The children of Malissa and Perry Garmon (her second marriage) were:

BENJAMIN GARMON born in 1845. In 1870 he has a wife named Nancy in Polk County.

JOSEPH GARMON born in 1847.

CALVIN GARMON born in 1852. His wife was Julia A. in 1870 in Polk County, Arkansas.

IRENE GARMON born in 1844.

David Putman

David Putman was born in Warren County, Kentucky on October 19, 1807. He married Lecy Castlebury in Hall County, Georgia on January 7, 1830. Lecy was born May 31, 1807 in Hall County, Georgia.

They moved to Cherokee County in the very early 1830s and remained there. The children were all born in Cherokee County, Georgia. David was not only a rather prosperous farmer, but was involved in the *Putman Gold Mine* near The Sixes in Cherokee County. He later moved into the town of Canton where he died.

David died in Cherokee county, Georgia on July 5, 1874 at age 67. Lecy was shown in the 1880 census at age 73 and died at age 79 on July 19, 1886 also in Cherokee County.

They had the following children, all sons and all of which served in the CSA army in the civil war. Three of the sons died in the actual fighting or later from wounds and disease received during the War.

THOMAS WHITNEY PUTMAN was born in 1831 in Cherokee County. He married Mary Freeman there on July 21, 1853. In the 1860 census he is listed as a merchant and they had two children. Thomas Putman was killed in the Civil War in 1863. He served in Company C of the 1st Georgia Cavalry. After Thomas died, Mary and the children moved to Arkansas and were there in the 1870 census of Franklin County. Their children were

William Warren Putman born June 7, 1854. In 1880, he was married to Martha Delaney, born in Ohio in 1856, and living in Sebastian County, Arkansas. They were married May 15, 1880. He is still there in 1900 with seven children. In 1910 and 1920, he has a new wife Margaret or Marguerite Ward born in Tennessee. They are still in Sebastian County in 1930. He shows these children in the census reports:

Harriet Putman born in 1880.

Charles Lester Putman born October 8, 1884.

Millie Bell Putman born in 1885.

Myrtle Putman born in 1886.

Ella J. Putman born in 1888.

Jane 'Jennie' D. Putman born in 1890.

Roy S. Putman born July 6, 1895. He is in Fort Smith in 1930 married to Maine Alma Brown. Maine was born July 12, 1900. She married Herschel G. Foster in Logan County on November 6, 1920. After he died she married Roy on December 29, 1928. She will be here until she dies March 16, 1989. Roy will die here in Fort Smith January 7, 1979.

Celeste Putman born July 15, 1858. She married William Seaborn Hinton and lived in Franklin County. She died July 20, 1895.

Ella Putman born in 1860.

Thomas O. Putman born in 1863. In 1900 he is living in Sebastian County, Arkansas with his brother, William, and has a wife Alice Pope and a 2 year old daughter Blanche. He and Alice were married there November 24, 1895. He must have died soon after 1900, as Alice married W. G. Card in Sebastian County February 24, 1904.

ODIAN WILSON PUTMAN was born March 31, 1832. He served in the Civil War in the 18th Georgia Infantry as a 2nd Lieutenant and was wounded at Sharpsburg, Maryland on September 17, 1862. He lost an arm at Gettysburg and was captured July 2, 1863. After the war, he returned home and married Martha Elizabeth Tate, a daughter of David Tate and Malena Putman, in Cherokee County on March 8, 1868. Martha was born September 29, 1842 and died in Canton, Georgia on May 20, 1927. Odian was a farmer and clerk of the Superior Court. He died on December 24, 1912. He is in Gordon County, Georgia in 1860. In the 1880 census he and Mattie are in Cherokee County with one child. In 1900 they are still there with a second child. The two daughters were:

Lecy Putman born April 11, 1869. She married William Galt February 6, 1889.

Ludema 'Ludie' Putman born in January 1882. She married Green B. Johnson.

DAVID LUMPKIN PUTMAN was born December 16, 1834. He married Elizabeth Jane Pierce in Cherokee County, Georgia on December 15, 1859. In the 1870 census of Cherokee County, Georgia they had five children. He died January 1, 1873 from wounds received during the War. He is buried at the Sixes Methodist Church in Cherokee County. In the 1880 census of Cherokee County I find Gary David Price who married his widow, Jane Pierce Putman and has four of her children with him. There is a David L. Putman also in the 1880 census who was David junior. The children were:

Belle Putman born December 23, 1860. She married Kinchin Rambeau Price in Cherokee County, Georgia December 19, 1877. They moved to Wood County, Texas with others in the family. She died in Dallas March 6, 1942.

David Lumpkin Putman Jr. born 1862. He married Mary Jane Thompson in Cherokee County Georgia November 2, 1885, and they were there in 1900. He is in Selma, Alabama with the family in 1910. His wife Mary Jane Thompson is widowed there in Selma in 1920 and 1930.

Odian Wilson Putman born April 28, 1890. He has a wife Mary in Selma, Alabama in 1920 and 1930.

Samuel Lumpkin Putman born January 2, 1895. He has a wife Elsie B. and they are in Selma in 1930. He will die in Alabama in December 1963.

Charles David Putman born June 2, 1898. He has a wife Libbie and is in Monroeville, Alabama in 1930.

William Ottis Putman born in 1901.

Odella Putman born 1865. She married a Lovinggood fella.

Carol L. (Cassie) Putman born 1867.

Nancy T. Putman born 1869.

Martha Putman born 1872.

BERRY P. PUTMAN was born May 29, 1837. He was living with his parents in the 1860 census. He fought in the Civil War in the 2nd Georgia Infantry and was listed as a musician. He served the entire War in the Army of Northern Virginia in the Georgia Volunteers. He and his wife Lydia Mariah Kellum, a widow of a man named Brown, were in the 1870 census of Cherokee County, Georgia with one child, Lula. He died on September 5, 1870, and is buried at Sixes Methodist Church. He was 32 years old. His widow Mariah was in Texas in the 1880 census and died in Waco in 1883. The only child was:

Lula Putman born in November 1869.

Elizabeth Putman

Elizabeth was born in Kentucky on March 30, 1809. She married William Washington Flemming on April 5 or 13, 1823 (there are two marriage records), and moved Crawford County, Arkansas in 1845 and then on to Williamson County, Texas with others in the family. William Flemming was born in Hall County, Georgia September 11, 1799 and died in Killeen, Bell County, Texas on July 1, 1867. Elizabeth died on October 19, 1891 in San Saba, Texas. From a descendant, I have a lot of information on the Flemming family.

They had the following children:

JOHN WASHINGTON FLEMMING was born in Hall County on September 14, 1828 and died unmarried in Texas on May 6, 1856.

PHOEBE LOVE FLEMMING was born December 29, 1832. She married Ira Ellis Chalk on September 23, 1849 and she died July 23, 1859 in Killeen, Bell County, Texas. Ira was a Methodist Minister. After Phoebe died, he married Sarah Malvina Cooksey. Her children were:

Richard Bascomb Chalk born in 1851 in Lampasas, Texas. He married Minerva Brown in 1875.

Martin E. Clark born October 18, 1855 and died at age 17 on September 7, 1873 all in Lampasas, Texas.

Philney R. Clark born about 1858. He married Frances Gholson about 1880 in San Saba, Texas.

MARY FLEMMING was born in 1833. She married Whitfield Chalk on August 9, 1847. Whitfield was a Major in the Texas War of Independence, and then became the first sheriff of Williamson County in 1848. Afterwards, the family moved to Bell County in Texas and raised nine children. They returned to Williamson County in 1893 and then moved to Lampasas County where he died May 13, 1902 and Mary died January 1, 1903. Their children were:

William T. Chalk born January 3, 1849.

John Whitfield Chalk born January 27, 1850. He married Mary K. Taylor.

Henry A. Chalk born May 18, 1851.

James Madison Chalk born January 27, 1853. He married Louisa Elmira Browning on September 1, 1874 in Lampass County.

Martha Estelle Chalk born January 29, 1856. She married James A. Massie.

Catherine M. Chalk born May 25, 1857. She married W. S. Pickett.

Luther Ira Chalk born February 11, 1859. His name was later changed to *Jefferson Chalk*.

Jackson M. Chalk born October 6, 1862 and died at age 2 in 1864.

Davis Chalk. He married Alice Hobbs November 29, 1881 in Lampass County, Texas.

Martin B. Chalk born May 209, 1864. He married Carolina Wilhelmina Bernhard.

GEORGE WALTER FLEMMING was born in 1835. He married Annie McCarty and died October 17, 1890.

ANDREW JACKSON FLEMMING was born January 13, 1836 and died February 1, 1879 in Carbon, Texas. He married a widow Sarah Adeline (Gage) Bishop July 1, 1866 in Belton, Bell County, Texas. Sally was born in Arkansas August 20, 1837 and died in Carbon, Texas December 24, 1917. Their children were:

Elizabeth Jane Fleming She married Charles Low, and ran a music store in Abilene, Texas.

Mollie Kate Fleming She married James Thurman and lived in Lubbock, Texas.

William Calvin Fleming born July 13, 1870 in Bell County, Texas and died in Roswell, New Mexico in December 1934. He married Martha Alice Earp.

Minnie Davie Fleming born in May 1878 and married William Poe.

MARTIN VAN BUREN FLEMMING was born August 29, 1838 and died December 20, 1928. He married Coralie 'Cora' Testard January 25, 1869 in Brenham, Washington County Texas. Cora was a daughter of Adrian Testard and Mary Louise Pilton, and was born in Randolph Tennessee January 6, 1837. She first married Hugh Sherrill in Brenham, Texas on May 11, 1853. He died in the Civil War in 1863 and she later married Martin in 1869. Cora died in Brenham November 20, 1899. They had one child:

Camille Flemming born in August 1869 in Brenham, Texas. She was at home in 1880 and presumed married before 1900.

DAVID N. FLEMMING was born in 1840 and died single in 1861.

ELIZABETH JANE FLEMMING was born December 14, 1841. She married James M. Graham on May 25, 1871.

CHARLES H. M. FLEMMING was born in 1844 and died in 1903.

JAMES K. POLK FLEMMING was born March 11, 1845 and was alive in the 1930 census. He died in Lynn County Texas February 27, 1933. He married Lucinda Caroline Woods on September 8, 1869. Lucinda was born October 20, 1852 and died in San Saba County May 24, 1876. He was widowed in 1880 in San Saba County Texas and had his widowed mother Elizabeth and brother Ira with him. He also had these children:

David N. Flemming born about 1871.

Betty M. Flemming born about 1875.

BERRY PUTMAN FLEMMING was born in 1847. He married Leah C. Brown on February 20, 1871. He died in 1916, she in 1936

IRA W. FLEMMING was born on May 30, 1851 and died August 16, 1893.

Phoebe Putman

Phoebe was born in Warren County, Kentucky in 1810. She married Gerry H. Price in about 1830. They were in the 1850 census living in Floyd County, Georgia with nine children and an Elizabeth Webb, age 40, the same age as Phoebe was. They may have later moved to Arkansas with her family and then on to Texas where she died in 1870.

They had the following children:

MARY PRICE born in 1832

THOMAS H. PRICE born in 1835

JOHN M. PRICE born in 1837

GARRY or **GARY DAVID PRICE** was born May 29, 1838 and died in Cherokee County, Georgia on May 12, 1912. See the 1880 census. He married a widow, Jane (Pierce) Putman who was the wife of David Lumpkin Putman.

ELIZABETH JANE PRICE born in 1841

GEORGE WASHINGTON PRICE born in 1844

ANDREW JACKSON PRICE born in 1844

MARTHENA MALENA PRICE born in 1846

JOSEPHINE PRICE born in 1849

BERRY PRICE ?

Malena Putman

Malena was born in Kentucky in 1812 and married William David Tate on November 5, 1835. She moved to Florida with her husband. They remained there for the rest of their lives. Malena died in Marion County, Florida in the late 1850s. William remarried Jane C. Glenn on September 29, 1861. He too died in Silver Springs, Marion County, Florida.

They had the following children:

MARY TATE born in 1837 and died in Florida in the 1850s.

ROBERT H. TATE born in 1838 and died in Kansas.

THOMAS TATE born in 1840 and died in Pensacola, Florida.

MARTHA ELIZABETH TATE born September 29, 1842 and married Odian W. Putman. She died in Canton, Cherokee County, Georgia on May 20, 1927. See Odian Wilson Putman, son of David Putman for this family.

FRANCIS M. TATE born in 1845. She married Owen Fussell in Florida.

WILLIAM WHITFIELD TATE born about 1847 and died 'out West.'

NANCY EVELYN TATE born March 25, 1852 and died in The Sixes, Cherokee County, Georgia on March 2, 1885. She married Richard Bannister Allgood in Cherokee County on December 28, 1873.

ANDREW TATE

Willis Putman

Willis was born about 1814 in Warren County, Kentucky. He married Amanda P. Thompson, born November 13, 1820 a daughter of Andrew Thompson, in Hall County, Georgia on January 28, 1836. They had three sons, Andrew, Thomas and Americus, before she died on October 4, 1841.

He married again on February 7, 1844 to Martha C. Williamson in Jackson County, Georgia. Martha died in the late 1840s. He had Mary Ellen and William with Martha.

In 1850, he married a widow Harriet Hawkins.

The last land record I have of him in Hall County was when he sold his farm to his brother Jesse in July of 1846. He was, however, in the Hall county census of 1850 without a wife and with his five children.

After Amanda died, Andrew, Alfred and Americus came under the guardianship of Amanda's father, Guilford G. Thompson. Alfred appears to be Thomas A. Putman and perhaps used his middle name for a while, or perhaps it was Alfred Thomas Putman. Thomas and Alfred are the same guy at any rate. Andrew and Americus settled in Brunswick, Georgia while the rest of the family moved to Texas.

By the 1860 census, Willis was living in Forsythe County, Georgia with Harriett, his third wife, and two of her children Martha and Julia Hawkins. Mary Ellen and William Putman were still living at home. Willis listed himself as a mechanic.

In 1870, he and his son Thomas were in McLennon County, Texas. He was listed in the 1880 census of McLennon County, Texas with his fourth wife, Susan, and a 6 year old son Joel. Willis and Susan were married on February 23, 1873 in McLennon County. She was Susan E. Young, a widow of a Miller guy.

Willis died sometime prior to the 1900 census as I cannot find any listing on him, Susan or Joel in Texas or nearby states.

Willis Putman and Amanda Thompson's children were:

ANDREW THOMPSON PUTMAN was born in about 1836-37. He was in Bibb County, Georgia in 1860. He served as a messenger for Governor Brown in Atlanta and then joined the Georgia Infantry in 1863. After the War, he settled in Brunswick, Georgia. He married Mary B. Harton of Putnam County, Georgia on February 1, 1861. In 1870 and 1880 his brother Americus and his wife Clara were living with him. He owned a store in Brunswick. In 1880, they had one son listed. Mary died in 1880 and he married Viola Johnson in 1881. In 1900 Viola is still in Brunswick and is married to Owens Johnson for one year. He is a lawyer then 35 FL and she is 35 GA. They have a daughter Etta Putnam 7 GA from her first marriage to Andrew. Someone gave me her last name as Johnson, but that must be from her second marriage, so I don't know what her maiden name was. Actually could have been Johnson too.

Edward A. Putman born in March 1865.

Etta Putman born in May 1893.

THOMAS ALFRED PUTMAN was born about 1838. He was in Cherokee County, Texas in 1860. He married Susan A. Robertson in McLennon County, Texas on March 7, 1871. In 1880 he was in Coryell County, Texas and in 1900 was in Greer County, Oklahoma, but was not indexed in 1910. He was widowed and with his son Alfred in Texas County Oklahoma in 1920 He was listed as a teacher in 1870 and 1880. Based on the various census reports, their children were:

Alfred A. Putman born in 1871 in Texas and died in Shawnee, Oklahoma in 1950. He

married Juliet Roach in 1903, and they were in Greer County Oklahoma in 1910 and in Texas County Oklahoma in 1920 and his widowed dad was with him then. Julie was born in Tennessee in 1880 and died in Shawnee, Oklahoma in 1977. Based on census records they had:

Thomas Roach Putman born in 1904. He married Pearl Noreen Grimm in 1927, and they were in Guymon, Texas County Oklahoma in 1930.

Orval A. Putman born in 1909.

Guy A. Putman born in 1911.

Willis Putman born January 12, 1875. According to his death certificate he died in Monroe County Missouri June 7, 1940. He was a farmer and his wife was named Irene.

Roena Putman born in 1877.

Allene Putman born in 1883.

Violet C. Putman born in 1886.

AMERICUS PUTMAN was born in November 1840. His wife was Clara Hougland, born January 1852 in Kentucky. They were married in Spencer County, Kentucky on November 17, 1869. He is in Warren County, Mississippi in 1870. In 1870 there is a Daniel Blount age 7 KY with them, a son from Clara's first marriage I would guess. He was in Glynn County, Georgia in 1880 and 1900. He lived in Brunswick, Georgia. In 1900 he was in Glynn County and probably still in Brunswick. He has Edward Putman, then 35, living with him and Clara. In 1920, he has retired, I guess, and is living in Jacksonville, Florida at age 80 and Clara is 74.

Willis Putman and Martha Williamson's children were:

MARY ELLEN PUTMAN was born about 1846.

WILLIAM P. PUTMAN was born in 1847. In 1880 he is living next to his father in McLennon County, Texas and is single at age 30. In 1900 he is in Comanche County, Texas with his wife, Avey Taylor, and daughter, Mary. Based on their graves stones in Downing Cemetery in Comanche County, William was born in 1847 and died August 12, 1911, Ava Putman was born September 22, 1849 and died October 12, 1924. There were two daughter's stones in the same cemetery. They were:

Manerva Putman born October 12, 1883 and died October 11, 1884.

A Twin Daughter born and died October 12, 1883.

Mary Putman born September 2, 1884 and died unmarried April 3, 1905.

Thomas Rogers Putman

Thomas Rogers Putman was born in Warren County, Kentucky in 1817. He moved to Hall County with his parents and was about 17 years old when his father died. He sold his 250 acre inheritance in 1845 to Francis Welchel. He then moved to Crawford County, Arkansas with his sister, Elizabeth Putman and her husband (and his brother in law) William Flemming and his family. Before leaving for Arkansas, he married Mary Adaline Fleming on February 27, 1845. The family moved to Caldwell County, Texas by 1848 when their second child was born.

Thomas and his oldest son, John, served in the CSA during the Civil War. After the War, he returned to farming and for a while was a Justice of the Peace in Caldwell County. They lived near the town of Lockhart.

Thomas and Mary both lived their lives out in Texas and both died in 1870 in McMahan, Texas. Thomas died on January 11, 1870, Mary later that year on May 17th, 1870.

A great deal more on this family is found in the section on [TEXAS PUTMANS](#).

They had the following children, who all used the spelling of *Putnam*:

JOHN M. PUTNAM was the only child born in Arkansas. He was born in January 1846 and married Fanny J. Allen. They lived in Hubbard, Hill County, Texas. Children were:

Emerson B. Putnam born January 1874.

Joseph B. Putnam born February 1884.

Fanny Putnam born February 1886.

Lizzie Putnam born August 1887.

THOMAS ROGERS PUTNAM JR. was born in Texas in 1848. He was killed in the Civil War or at least disappeared from sight in the 1860s.

ELIZABETH JANE PUTNAM was born in 1852 and married Robert Montgomery in Caldwell County, Texas on January 6, 1875. Their children were:

Dr. George Montgomery

Dr. Hazel Montgomery

W. O. Montgomery

Modena Montgomery

MARY PUTNAM was born in 1854. She married V. H. Sims. After they were married, they moved to California. They had one daughter:

Donie Sims

JOSEPH BARNET PUTNAM was born in 1856. He married Julia Caroline McGinnis on March 7, 1876 in Caldwell County, Texas. She died February 14, 1907 and he on August 19, 1924. In Texas he ran a general store and then became a Methodist preacher and circuit rider. They first lived in Caldwell County, Texas and then in 1902 moved to Throckmorton County. In 1911, he married Virginia Smith. Joseph died in 1924 and Virginia in 1944. Both are buried in Throckmorton, Texas. See the [TEXAS PUTMANS](#) section for more details. Their children were:

Eva Rebecca Putnam born April 9, 1878 married Dr. T. B. Copewood.

William Price Putnam born September 24, 1879 and died in 1880.

Thomas Rogers Putnam born April 7, 1883 and married Eunice Gertrude Smart. He was a banker in Leuders, Texas. Eunice was born July 14, 1893 and died in Lueders April 4, 1968. Tom died there March 8, 1959. This is taken from a note from his granddaughter, "He was the President of the bank in Lueders during the depression years. His bank was one of a handful in Texas that did not close its doors, nor did he foreclose on anyone's property or business during that era. I did not realize the significance of this or how well thought of he was until his funeral in 1959. People for all over Texas came to Lueders...the church was filled and hundreds of people lined the streets to pay their respects as we drove from the church. We never saw anything like it in the history of the town. He is still remembered."

Lela Mae Putnam born May 10, 1885. She was a Methodist missionary in Brazil for many years.

Joseph Carrol Putnam born July 31, 1887 married Margaret Elizabeth Sheers. He was a rancher in Throckmorton, Texas.

John Marvin Putnam born May 30, 1889 and died in 1892.

Alice Viola Putnam born October 26, 1891 married Max M. Crunk. She was a teacher in Nixon, Texas.

Gustava Putnam born November 16, 1894. She was a teacher in Dallas.

James Pledger Putnam born September 18, 1897 married Lura Wilkerson. He was a rancher in Throckmorton.

Sommers Putnam born January 19, 1902. A construction engineer.

WILLIAM F. PUTNAM born 1858 and died as an infant.

GERRIE PRICE PUTNAM was born May 18, 1863. In 1880, he was single and listed as Price Putnam in Bell County, Texas. He was living with his uncle and aunt, Berry and Catherine Shipp. He married Marianne 'May' Harrell July 18, 1895 in Dallas. She was born March 7, 1871. They moved to El Paso where he became Superintendent of the school system. He was a graduate of Baylor University. In 1900 he and May were in El Paso and had a 2 year old son Harrell Putman. Also there were May's brother Willie Harrell 17 and sister Belle Harrell 14 both born in Texas. Marianne died there March 19, 1902. He is widowed in 1910 and Belle is still there as is her and Marianne's divorced mother Lou 59 Louisiana. Gerry married Belle Harrell, who was then 24, on April 21, 1910. Belle was born September 4, 1885 and died in El Paso on June 9, 1956. Belle is 22 years younger than he is. In 1920, they are still in El Paso. In 1930, he is farming in Cottonwood, Eddy County, New Mexico. He is alone, but states he is married. He is also listed in El Paso with Belle and is listed a farmer then too. He died September 20, 1938 of stomach cancer. His children were:

Harrell Flemming Putman born July 8, 1897. He married Elsie Collins in 1922. He was a musician.

Marian Putman born December 24, 1900 and died June 21, 1932 in Kansas City, Missouri. She married Oscar William Morton in 1924.

Berry Barton Putman

Berry Barton Putman was born in Hall County, Georgia in 1820 and married Martha Frances Tate on November 28, 1843. Martha was a sister of William D. Tate who married Berry's sister Malena.

Berry sold his 250 acres on November 13, 1840 to his brother's (Jesse Mercer Putman) future father in law, Alexander Robertson.

Berry and his family went to Johnson County, Arkansas about 1850 and stayed there two years, then to Franklin County, Arkansas until about 1856.

He moved to Grayson County, Texas for a year and then returned to Sebastian County, Arkansas below Fort Smith where he remained for the rest of his life. He served two years in the Arkansas Cavalry in the Confederate Army and also served in the Florida Seminole War.

They had eight children and an infant that died.

Martha died in 1864. After Martha's death, Berry remarried to Sallie Cardin in 1866 and they had one more daughter. Most of the family remained in northwestern Arkansas for their lives. More can be found in the section on [ARKANSAS PUTMANS](#).

The children were:

THOMAS ADOLPHUS PUTMAN was born April 26, 1845 in Hall County. He moved with his family and settled in Sebastian County, Arkansas. As soon as he turned sixteen, he joined the 7th Arkansas Volunteer Infantry (CSA) and fought at Pea Ridge and other battles. He was discharged two years later in March 1863 at Port Hudson, Louisiana. After his mother died, he went to Illinois for a year and then returned to Arkansas. On January 20, 1869, he married Martha Ann Ward, daughter of Castleton and Mary Ward. More on this family will be in the ARKANSAS PUTMANS Section.

MARY ANN PUTMAN was born in 1849 and married James P. Frye of Sebastian County.

GEORGE R. PUTMAN was born in 1852. He is not in the 1870 census so may have died by then, possibly in the Civil War.

NANCY M. PUTMAN was born in 1856 and she married John Luck of Sebastian County.

ELIZABETH JANE PUTMAN was born in 1858 in Texas. She married J. A. Wilburn of Sebastian County.

MILLIE PUTMAN was the only child of the second marriage. She was born in 1867 and she married Lon Carson of Sebastian County.

Jesse Mercer Putman

Jesse Mercer was born in Hall County, Georgia in 1825. He married Elizabeth Kelton Robertson on May 10, 1845. She was born March 18, 1828, a daughter of Alexander Robertson and Elizabeth Kelton.

Jesse and Elizabeth had three children between 1846 and 1851. Jesse then decided to sail to California to take part in the *Gold Rush*. In January of 1852, he and others from Hall County rode by horse to Charleston and then sailed to Havana and from Havana in another ship to Panama. They walked and rode mules to the Pacific where they boarded the ship *Amphitrite* on February 1, 1852 and set sail for San Francisco. The ship had 200 passengers in space made for 60. They ran out of food and water and beached the boat 300 miles south of Acapulco. He became quite ill before being put onto another ship. He arrived in San Francisco on June 10th and was taken to a hospital at the Presidio where he died twelve days later on June 22, 1852 at age twenty eight.

It took Elizabeth two years to get proof of his death. On March 24, 1855, she married Pleasant Philemon Privett, a man four years younger than she. Elizabeth died in Haralson County, Georgia on August 9, 1865. Her three children by her first husband went west after her death to Arkansas with their mother's brothers, David and Joseph Robertson.

The children of Jesse Mercer and Elizabeth Putman were:

JESSIE MINERVA PUTMAN born on February 9, 1846 in Hall County. Jessie married Waldrop Porter Deaupree, then James Boyd in 1883 and then to a Vogel man. She died in Dallas, Texas on February 26, 1932. She had two children:

Waldrop Porter Deaupree
James Boyd

DAVID ALEXANDER PUTMAN born January 6, 1849 and married to Fannie Childers on December 20, 1870 in Pine Bluff, Arkansas. Fannie had died by the 1900 Census of Oklahoma. David died February 13, 1931 in Ardmore, Oklahoma. They had eight children:

Henry Lafayette Putman born September 9, 1871 in Arkansas and died in Beckham County Oklahoma March 14, 1959. He was married to Eula Beth Mitchell, and had at least these children. Eula was a full blooded Cherokee from Ardmore. No one knows her original name, but it was changed to Mitchell as Indians could not buy land in those days in Oklahoma. She was born April 16, 1893 and died February 5, 1954. They had:

Elmer Putman born in 1913.

Russell Putman born in 1915.

Marie Putman born in 1916.

Eugene Putman born April 24, 1919 and died in Beckham County Oklahoma July 3, 1973. He married Olene Bossler and they had four kids:

Larry Putman

William Putman

Bobby Putman

Penny Putman

William Dow Putman born in 1924.

Christine Putman born in 1926.

Paul Odell Putman born in 1930 and died in 1980.

Pompei Wellington Putman born June 6, 1875. In 1900 he was in San Antonio, Texas and single. He did marry and have three children.

Marcus Tullier Putman was born April 10, 1876 and died in 1880.

Herschel Montgomery Putman was born June 27, 1878. He married He married a Myrtle and they were in Carter County Oklahoma in 1920 and 1930. There were no children. Myrtle was born January 7, 1890 and died March 1, 1962.

Alberta Maude Putman was born November 23, 1881. She married James Franklin McCants on January 3, 1904 in Carter County, Oklahoma, and had 4 children. She died March 13, 1910. James was born August 8, 1870 in Bedford County, Tennessee and died in Ardmore, Carter County on December 3, 1955.

Buck Putman was born January 30, 1884. He married, but no children. He died in 1918.

Jessie Tululah Putman a twin born June 30, 1889. She died January 9, 1975. She was either married briefly or had a son out of wedlock. In 1920 and 1930 she was at home with her dad and sad she was widowed, but used her Putman name as did her son Hershel.

Hershel Putman was born August 2, 1914 and died in Ardmore December 20, 2001. He married Maude Irene Christian October 25, 1936. Maude was born March 21, 1919 and died in Carter County August 27, 1998. He worked for the Oklahoma Highway Department. They had 8 kids:

Dale Hugh Putman born June 3, 1937 and died December 14, 2007 all in Ardmore, Carter County. He married Sharon Jenkins December 10, 1971. He was an oil field worker.

David Putman

LeRoy Putman

Betty Putman married a Grover

Reba Putman married a Kennedy

Velma Putman married a Potts

Shirley Putman married a Walker.

Debbie Putman married a Uhl and lived in Modesto, California.

John Ernest Putman also born June 30, 1889.

Otis Lincoln Putman was born February 26, 1892. He died in Ardmore, Carter County Oklahoma April 3, 1954. He married Vertie Park and had three children. Vertie was born in Haynesville, Park County Kansas November 16, 1895 and died in Ardmore June 22, 1990.

SAMUEL ROSS PUTMAN born on January 12, 1851. He died in Arkansas October 30, 1871. He did not marry.