

JOHN PUTMAN

John Putman, another son of Zachariah Putman, was born in Middlesex County, Virginia in about 1738-1740. He first went to North Carolina and then to Kentucky.

He appears in 1788 in the Hillsborough District of Randolph (now Orange) County, North Carolina. In the 1790 Census, he is there with his wife and a young son and young daughter.

It then seems he returned to Culpeper County, Virginia and joined his brother Henry on their trip to Kentucky. He appears in 1800 on the June tax list along with his brother Henry and Zachariah Putman.

John seems to have moved out of the Mason County neck of the woods. There is a John Putman living in Butler County in the south central portion of the state and appears there in the 1830 census. Both he and his wife are listed as being over 50 so this is most likely him. After that he either died or I lost him completely. I feel the John Putman in Kanawha County in 1810 is his second son, John junior.

Zachariah married Winifred Collins and Francis married Henry Collins both in Bourbon County, Kentucky. I am guessing that Francis was indeed one of John's children as well as John.

I really have no more information on John Putman other than what was included in the section on Virginia Putman Families. As of this sitting, I can only listing a few of the children of John Putman. He obviously had a great many more as in the 1820 census he shows six sons and three daughters and his four eldest had already left home. He must have had over a dozen kids.

Here is my best *GUESS* as to who some of these kids were.

Benjamin Putman

Again a guess. He would be born in the 1770s. He first appears on a tax listing in Dayton Township, Hamilton County, Ohio in 1798. He does not appear in 1800 or 1810. In 1820 there is a Reuben Putman there in Hamilton County who may be his son. Reuben and his son Reuben junior next appear in Fountain County, Indiana in 1840. This guy is a long shot, but I can't place him with any other family.

John Putman, Jr.

There is a John Putman, born about 1780-1785 to be found in the 1810 census for Kanawah County, Virginia. Kanawah is now in West Virginia but is on a direct line between Virginia and Mason County, Kentucky where they went, and you pass through Kanawah County. I think this John simply stayed there. His father and the rest of the family kept on going into Kentucky.

He is possibly the John Putman in Ross County, Ohio in 1820, but I am not certain of this. I think he may have been in Missouri then, but there was no census there in 1820.

If my guessing is correct, John next appears in St. Louis County, Missouri for the 1830 Census.

If you look in the MISSOURI section, you will see him.

If that is correct then his sons JAMES PUTMAN and GEORGE PUTMAN are in Dallas County, Texas in the 1860 census. His son JOHN H. PUTMAN is in the Oregon Territory on September 19, 1852, but first appears in the census of 1880 in Jackson County, Oregon.

Good luck on this one! These may be some of his children:

JAMES PUTMAN born in Missouri in 1829, and was in Dallas, Texas in 1860.

GEORGE PUTMAN born in Missouri in 1833 and with his brother in Dallas, Texas in 1860.

JOHN H. PUTMAN born in Missouri in 1839. He is recorded as arriving in the Oregon Territory on September 19, 1852. That would mean he was only 13 at the time. He either ran away from home or the date is wrong. Then there is a marriage record of John marrying Malinda Saling in Yamhill County in 1856. He is listed on a land claim agreement in 1864 with Isum E. Saling, who I guess is Malinda's daddy. Then he first appears on a census in 1880 in Flounce Rock, Jackson County, Oregon. At that time his wife is listed as Mary Jane born in Kentucky in 1844. She may probably be a second wife or she married John at age 12 or 13. Based on the birthplaces of the children, he left Oregon to go to California for a while and then to Nebraska and then back to Oregon. He may have married Mary Jane while in Nebraska. Who knows? The children listed in the 1880 census were:

William H. Putman born in California in April 1862. He appears in 1900 with a wife named Maude in Calaveras County, California, in 1910 in Tulare County, California and in 1920 in Sonoma County, California. Maude is there in all three listings.

George R. Putman born in Nebraska in 1864.

Charles William Putman born in Nebraska in 1869.

Lettie B. Putman born in Oregon in 1873.

Lewis E. Putman born in Oregon in 1877.

Lulee or Lula Putman born in Oregon in 1877.

Frances Putman

She was born about 1773 and married Henry Collins about the same time Zachariah married Winnie Collins. This would be in the 1797-1798 time period and that's all I know. Two of her children, John Collins and Elizabeth Collins were mentioned in her brother Zachariah's will of 1850. It mentioned that Frances was deceased at the time.

James Putman

James is another guess but think he is another son of John Putman. Because I am not certain, I have put him and his family into the INDIANA PUTMANS Section of this work.

James was born in Virginia in 1775 and went to Kentucky with his father. He married a Mary and settled in nearby Pendleton County, Kentucky. In 1816 he moved north to Fayette County, Indiana where he remained until his death in the mid 1830s.

James first appears Indiana in the 1820 census living in Fayette County, Indiana in the southeastern part of the state. He is shown being between 26 and 44 years old as is his wife. They have a son between 16 and 18 who is probably Joseph, another son under 10, three daughters under 10 and another daughter between 10 and 15 years old. In the 1830 census James is still listed and Joseph has begun his own family and is listed also in Fayette County.

James Putman died in the mid 1830s, as his wife Mary is carried as the head of the household in the 1840 census. Mary herself died in 1849. She wrote her will on November 17, 1848 and it was recorded in Fayette County on August 21, 1849. In this will we get the names of her children:

JOSEPH PUTMAN born in Kentucky in 1804 and married Polly Hackleman.

DANIEL PUTMAN born in 1816 in Pendleton County, Kentucky and never married.

NANCY PUTMAN born in 1820 and married a Hawkins.

SARAH PUTMAN born in 1805 and married Joseph Conklin.

REBECCA PUTMAN born in Indiana in 1817. She married Reuben Kinder.

NECY PUTMAN married a Brown.

More will be found, as well as the lives of his children in the section on INDIANA PUTMANS section, which follows.

Zachariah Putman

I think Zachariah is a son of Daniel Putman, but he might be one of John's. I simply list him and his family in the KENTUCKY SECTION. You can make up your own mind.