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# The German Putmans

## Virginia to Ross County Ohio

### PHILIP PUTMAN

This family is German. In the mid to late 1700s, Peter Putman's family popped up in Hampshire County, Virginia. Hampshire County became part of West Virginia when that state was formed in 1863. It was a real toss up as to their origins. I had guessed they might be related to Henry and Sarah Putman of Middlesex County, part of our Southern English Putnam/Putman family. Then they could have been German, related to Philip Jacob Putman of Frederick County, Maryland. Hampshire County is close to both areas. Based on some new info, I think they are German. In a County history of Tarrant County, Texas, a descendent of Peter Putman of Hampshire County, stated his grandfather came from Germany. That sounded good enough for me.

Philip Putman was a son of Peter Putman and was born in Hampshire County Virginia. While most of the family remained in Virginia, Philip brought his family to Ross County Ohio.

The family of Peter Putman is covered in the **WEST VIRGINIA PUTMANS** section of this work and I will now cover Philip and his family in this section.

Philip was born about 1773 in Virginia and married Catherine Singer about 1795 while living in Hampshire County. They moved to Ross County, Ohio about 1809. This would account for the family not being in the 1810 Virginia Census.

They settled on Paint Creek in Concord Township, Ross County. In the 1820 census he is shown over 45 as is Catherine. They had two sons and six daughters at home and sons Peter and John were nearby with their own families.

In 1830 I cannot find him, but his son Peter is listed in Ross County, and John seems to have moved south to Adams County.

Philip died on May 31, 1836. In 1840 Catherine is in her 60s with two daughters at home, one in her 30s and one in her 40s. In 1850 at age 80, she heads a household of her two daughters Mary 50 and Sophia 45. Also there is Debora Carter age 38 with two sons. Debora is another daughter.

Catherine died on December 28, 1852. Both Philip and Catherine are buried in Frankfort, Ross County, Ohio.

Their children were:

### Mary Putman

Mary Putman was born in about 1800, as she was 50 in the 1850 census. She remained single.

## Elizabeth Putman

Elizabeth or Betsy married Robert Hoddy in Ross County on October 29, 1818. Robert was a son of Richard Hoddy who brought his family from Harper's Ferry, Virginia in the late 1790s. He was made a Captain in the War of 1812 and the family remained in Ross County. Robert Hoddy ran a grist mill and later a distillery, the first in the Scioto Valley. They had several children and they were both alive in 1871 when the book, *Early Settlers and Settlement of Ross County, Ohio*, was published.

I do not have a list of their children.

## Catherine Putman

Catherine Putman married John Clawson in Ross County, Ohio on November 17, 1814. This must have been her second marriage as she married John Thomas, also in Ross County, on October 13, 1803. He must have died and she married John Clawson after that.

## Peter Putman

Peter Putman was born about 1796 in Virginia. He married Kisiah Hoddy on April 6, 1820. Kisiah was Robert Hoddy's brother and was born in 1803 in Ross County, Ohio.

They lived all their lives on a farm on Indian Creek in Concord Township of Ross County. Kisiah died in 1878 at age 75 and Peter died in 1889 at age 93.

They had twelve children:

**ANN PUTMAN** was born about 1821. She married David Near on March 10, 1842 in Ross County.

**ISAAC PUTMAN** was born in 1823. He married Nancy Thomas on October 26, 1847. In the 1850 census he was 27 and Nancy 25 and they had two sons at that time. Nancy died in the early to mid 1850s. On December 9, 1858, he married Lucinda Wilkins. They were in Concord Township, Ross County through the 1880 census. By 1900 both had died, or at least were not shown any more. There were only two children, both in the first marriage:

**Joseph C. Putman** born in 1846, and died before the 1860 census.

**William Austin Putman** born in August, 1850. He married Margaret A. Jamison on March 21, 1872 and they were in Ross County through the 1920 census. Their children were:

**Frank Lloyd Putman** born December 1872. He married Jennie Hurtt September 3, 1894.

**Nellie M. Putman** born July 1874.

**Laura Putman** born June 1876.

**Jenny Putman** born July 1878.

**Bessie Putman** born May 1880.

**Edna B. Putman** born November 1884.

**CRAWFORD PUTMAN** was born March 15, 1827. He married Mary A. Clark on February 17, 1853. They are in Buckskin, Ross County through 1880. She will die in the 1890s and he is widowed there in 1900. He will then marry Mary Amanda Clark in the early 1900s and they are in Highland County with his son John in 1910. He will die there May 9, 1914. They had four children:

**Allison Edgar Putman** born in February 1854. He married Mary Elizabeth Black February 9, 1876. She was born in December 1857. They were in Buckskin Township, Ross County in 1880 through 1910, and in Highland County in 1920 and he will die there June 12, 1921. I don't find Mary after 1920 either.

**John Franklin Putman** born in October 1855. Married Austie Atlanta Parrett January 17, 1878. She was born in April 1856. They are in Highland County, Ohio from 1900 through the 1920. He is widowed back in Ross County in 1930.

**Ella Francis Putman** born in 1856. Married Albert Betts November 28, 1878.

**Annie Ellen Putman** born in 1859. She may have married a Slagle.

**EDWARD PUTMAN** was born in 1829 and never married.

**PHILIP PUTMAN** was born in 1831 and died at age 20 in 1851.

**ALFRED PUTMAN** was born in February, 1834. He married Rebecca Jane Day on October 11, 1855. They were in Ross County through the 1910 census. They had one child:

**Maurice Putman** born in 1856. In 1860 he is listed as Marcellius, but his marriage record list him as Maurie. He married Mary Belle James about 1878. He died by 1900 when Belle is shown as a widow with these children. She was still here in 1920. Kids were:

**Lee S. Putman** born in May 1879. He married Donna Briggs.

**Earl Putman** born in September 1880.

**Madge Putman** born in August 1883.

**Fred Putman** born in November 1885. He married Etta Jamison.

**Russell Putman** born in August 1890.

**JANE PUTMAN** was born in 1835. She married Allen Mowser or Mouser on July 23, 1857.

**JOHN S. PUTMAN** was born September 12, 1838. He was married to Clarissa C. Duey on February 21, 1867. He was in the 1880 census of Pike County, Ohio. They moved to Kansas in 1881 and to Oklahoma in 1902. Clarrissa died in February 1902 in Oklahoma. John was burned in a gasoline explosion in Ralston, Oklahoma on February 26, 1904 and was taken to his daughter Sarah Ellen's home in Salem, Kansas where he died on March 22, 1904. Their children were:

**James Edward Putman** born January 15, 1868. He married Myrtle Everil Hicks. He died in Salida, Colorado on August 15, 1954.

**Sarah Ellen Putman**

**Eva or Ivy Maude Putman**

**Arthur Randolph Putman**

**JESSE PUTMAN** was born in March 1841. He married Margaret Catherine Smith on February 22, 1882.

**MARY PUTMAN** was born in 1843. She married Allen Wilkins on March 8, 1866.

**FRANCES PUTMAN** was born in 1847. She married William H. Robinson on February 1, 1866.

There was another child according to a Ross County history, but I do not have the name of that child.

## **Sophia Putman**

Sophia was born January 11, 1796, and was never married. She was in Ross County in the 1870 census.

## **Isabel Putman**

Isabel or Isabella was born June 27, 1799. She married William Cochran on March 2, 1826.

## **Sarah Putman**

Sarah married Joseph Hewitt in Ross County on October 21, 1830.

## **Harriet Putman**

Harriet was born March 1, 1807, and died in Randolph County, Indiana on November 8, 1890. She married Charles Gollither on October 16, 1831.

## **John Jacob Putman**

John was born May 3, 1801. He married Magdalene Fleek on March 24, 1824. In the Moore Cemetery in Decatur, Green County, Wisconsin is a large tombstone. It reads: " John J. Putnam, died June 5, 1856, aged 54 years, 11 months, 2 days, born Hampshire County, Virginia. Mary Magdalene died January 31, 1871 ages 68 years, 6 months and 21 days." They moved to Ohio in about 1825, right after they were married. His son Hiram was born in Ohio in 1825 and his son John Junior was born there in about 1835. They moved to Green County, Wisconsin in the early 1850s. John died there as stated in 1856. According to a History of Tarrant County, Texas (about their son John Junior), they had these children:

**HIRAM D. PUTMAN** born in Ohio in about 1825. In the 1860 census of Green County, he is 34 OH, Sarah Connett 24 OH, **Cora** 2 WI and **Charles** 1 WI. He died in 1892.

**ANN E. PUTMAN** born in about 1826. She married W. Atherton of Albany, Wisconsin.

**HENRY CLAY PUTMAN** born about 1827. He was an active citizen of Brodhead. He

donated the building that was then used as City Hall, Library and Fire Hall. He was mayor of Brodhead, Wisconsin (Green County) from 1904 to 1908, a state senator, president of the Green County Bank from 1896 to 1909, owner of a lumber yard, and other such info from a Centennial Book of the Brodhead Historical Society.

**OLIVER S. PUTMAN** served in the Union army and died of complications in 1887.

**OLIVE PUTMAN** wife of John F. Annis of Albany, Wisconsin.

**VIRGINIA PUTMAN** wife of B. J. Gardner.

**JOHN JACOB PUTMAN, JR.** was born in Ohio in 1835. He married Julia D. Moore (born in Vermont) in 1871 in Wisconsin, and then moved to Fort Worth, Tarrant County, Texas in about 1875. They were in the 1880 census there. By 1900, he had died and Julia remained there through the 1920 census when she was shown as 74 years old born in Vermont. Based on the article and Texas census reports, the children were:

**John Jacob Putman 3<sup>rd</sup>** born in Wisconsin in August 1872. He was still single at home in 1910, and gone in 1920.

**Sophia A. Putman** born in Wisconsin in 1873.

**William C. Putman** born in Texas in August 1876. He was still at home in 1920.

**Worthy B. Putman** a daughter born in Texas in October 1882, and gone by 1910.

**A child** who died as an infant.

## Deborah Putman

Deborah was born in 1812 and married George Washington Carter on December 20, 1838. She was widowed by the 1850 census at age 38. She had two children **Joseph** and **Philip Carter**. At that time she was living with her mother and her two sisters, Mary and Sophie.

## Philip Putman Junior

Philip Putman was born in 1813. He married Martha Clark in Ross County on October 5, 1837. He was a farmer in Concord Township all his life. He was well in his 80s and he and Martha were living with their son Amos when a Ross County history was published in 1893.

Philip and Martha's children were:

**AMOS PUTMAN** was born in 1840 and remained single all his life. He was in the Ohio Infantry in the Civil War and was captured at the battle of Chickamauga on September 20, 1863 and remained as a prisoner most of the War. He returned home to farming.

**WILLIAM C. PUTMAN** was born in 1843. He married Clara Bryant on October 28, 1873. In 1880 they had a 5 year old daughter:

**Nellie B. Putman.**

**MARY PUTMAN** was born in 1846. She married Joseph Gordon on October 11, 1883.

**SAMUEL PUTMAN** was born May 27, 1847. He married Elizabeth Galbraith on August 17, 1871. He had a 235 acre farm in Concord Township. He was in the 1900 census. There were seven children:

**Mattie Putman** a twin born in 1873.

**Maggie Putman** the other twin born in 1873.

**Estella Putman** born in 1875.

**Robert Putman** born in March 1880.

**William Putman** born in March 1881.

**Bessie Putman** born in December 1887.

**Mammie Putman** not in the 1880 or 1900 census. Probably born and died in the 1890s.

**JANE PUTMAN** was born in about 1850. She married M. W. Toole on October 21, 1869.

**OWEN PHILIP PUTMAN** born in 1855 and home in 1880. In the 1900 census, Owen is missing, but there are three children, Owen, Roy, and Hershell, living as stepchildren of Charles S. Moffet in Wyandot County, Ohio. My guess is that Owen died and his wife married Charles Moffet. No proof, but Owen was not that common a name. Just in case, I am listing them here.

**Roy F. Putman** born in February 1893.

**Owen F. Putman** born January 1895.

**Herschel H. Putman** born in November 1897.