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HIRAM PUTMAN

SC to KY to TN to AL

He is a son of the Reverend John Putman and Sarah Howard. Hiram was born October 6, 1783 in Union County, South Carolina. On June 25, 1806, he married Loamy Mercer. She was a daughter of Forester Mercer. Loamy was born April 30, 1789.

Hiram went to Barren County, Kentucky with his brother, Simeon, and was there in 1810. He was in the 1820 Census of Tompkinsville, Monroe County, Kentucky. He had eight sons and 3 daughters. He was living very close to John Barnett who was older and a leader of the group from South Carolina.

He served as a private in the Kentucky Militia during the War of 1812.

He then appears in Hamilton County, Tennessee in the 1830 census. By the 1840 census, he is in Randolph County, Alabama and in the 1850 census, he is in Benton County, Alabama.

He died in Calhoun (originally Benton) County, Alabama in 1856. He is buried at the New Bethel Church of Christ about five miles away in Borden Springs, Cleburne County, Alabama. His tombstone may be found there. Loamy was listed as Laura in the 1860 census of Calhoun County and was living with her daughter Hester Bordon. She might be the person listed with her son Leonidis also in the 1860 Calhoun County Census, dual listing type stuff.

More on this family is found in the **KENTUCKY PUTMANS** section.

I do not have a list of all his children, but the ones I think I know of are:

John Putman

John was born in 1808 died in 1836 unmarried.

Margaret Putman

I have no information on Margaret.

Andrew Putman

Andrew would have been born about 1820. He married Rebecca Reagan in Benton County on June 10, 1835. I do not find him in the 1840 census, so I have no idea where he went or what happened. This is all I know at this time.

Jesibel Putman

I have no information on Jessie either. Sorry.

Silas Mercer Putman

Silas was born about 1821. He married Sarah (Sally) Burch on December 13, 1838 in Benton County, Alabama. Sally was born in Georgia in about 1825. Her sister, Ayrie Burch, married Silas's brother Forrester Putman.

Silas died shortly after he was married. There were no children and Sally then married his brother, Howard Mercer Putman.

Simeon S. Putman

Sim was born December 16, 1810 in Barren County, Kentucky. He married E. Milley or Emily Howle in about 1846 in Randolph County, Alabama.

Milly was a daughter of Alexander Howle and Martha Black from Edgefield County, South Carolina. Millie was born in March 1826. Both the Putmans and the Howles arrived in Randolph County about the same time. The family remained in Randolph County until the late 1850s when they moved to Jefferson County, Alabama.

Simeon died in Jefferson County, Alabama in the 1860s. Millie is still listed through the 1900 Census. In 1900, she is 74 years old and living with Elijah Hollis in Jefferson County. Her daughter Martha had married Elijah Hollis in Jefferson County.

Simeon and Milly's children were:

MARTHA L. PUTMAN born July 27, 1847 in Randolph County, Alabama. She married Elijah Hollis.

SILAS M. PUTMAN was born July 23, 1850 and died before 1860.

HIRAM ALEXANDER PUTMAN was born January 3, 1852. He married Mary Elizabeth Hollis on March 19, 1877 in Jefferson County, Alabama. He died October 13, 1936 in McCormick, Alabama.

SARAH E. PUTMAN a bible record shows her born on December 24, 1855, but she died young and does not appear in the 1860 census report.

MARY MAGDELENE PUTMAN born October 3, 1858 in Randolph County, Alabama.

For more on Simeon's family, see the **ALABAMA PUTMAN** Section.

Leonidas Putman

He was born in 1825. He was in Cleburne County Alabama through 1870, and I don't find him again.

Hiram Putman Jr.

He was born in 1826 and died in the Civil War. In 1860, he was in Randolph County, Alabama in the census returns. He was then 35 and a mechanic like his father. His wife Alena was 28 and they had these children:

JOSEPHINE PUTMAN born in 1850.

RAND PUTMAN born in 1852.

FRANKLIN PUTMAN born in 1854.

AMANDA PUTMAN born in 1856.

A NEWBORN FEMALE born in 1860.

Hester Putman

She was born in 1828 and married John Borden in Benton County, Alabama on July 4, 1852. It is interesting to note that John Borden had previously been married to a daughter of A. Waldo Putnam of Massachusetts, who had moved to Tennessee. Old John hit both sides of the Putman/Putnam family.

Sarah Ann Putman

Sally was born in 1823. She married Rufus Wheeler on October 6, 1849 in Benton County, Alabama. He died very shortly, and she was back with her folks by the 1850 census. She then married Abselom Keith January 13, 1856 in Carroll County Georgia. She died in the 1860s and Abselom later married Nancy Bullard in 1869.

Howard Mercer Putman

Howard Mercer Putman was born in 1816. He married Sally Burch, who was the widow of his brother Silas Putman.

In 1850, they are in Benton County (now Calhoun County), Alabama. I find the family in 1860 in Calhoun County, Alabama, but in 1870 it appears that both Howard and Sally have just died as the children appear together in Cleburne County, Alabama and the family is headed by the son Silas who is then 21 years old.

Their children were:

JEAN PUTMAN born in 1840.

JAMES MONROE PUTMAN was born in Alabama March 21, 1842 and died in Bledsoe County, Tennessee on September 4, 1898. He walked from his home in Alabama to Nashville to join the 3rd Tennessee Infantry. He was injured in the battle of Chattanooga He married Sarah Elizabeth Poe in Bledsoe County on September 25, 1867. They were in Pine Bluff, Arkansas County, Arkansas in 1870, and they returned to Tennessee in 1877 and were there in the 1880. Sarah was widowed there in 1900. Kids hung around through the 1920. Sarah was living with her son John in 1920. Based on the census reports, their children were:

John H. (Howard) Putman born in Tennessee in 1869. His wife was Vinnie Mae Blalock. He was an attorney and later a County Judge.

Mary Hester Putman born in Arkansas in 1871. She married Andrew Payne in 1891, and was widowed with her mother in 1900. She later married Elijah Patton.

James Hasten Putman born in Arkansas February 23, 1873. He died in 1896.

Elizabeth Joan Putman born in Arkansas April 25, 1874 and died in 1879.

Gertrude Rhama Putman born in Tennessee September 17, 1879, and died in 1891.

Roscoe George Putman born March 21, 1882. His wife was Sallie E. Humphries. He was a storekeeper and funeral home director. He died in 1951. By 1920, they had:

Mildred W. Putman born in 1907.

Hazel C. Putman born in 1909.

Jack H. Putman born in 1912.

Marvin S. Putman born in 1916. He is not in the 1930 census.

Winnie Samuel Putman born January 9, 1885. His wife was Gertrude L. Patton. He died in 1973. In 1920 and 1930 they had:

Minnie Edith Putman born in 1919.

William Putman born in 1922.

Myrtle Corinna Putman born October 4, 1887 and died in 1984. She married Martin Farmer November 8, 1911.

THOMAS PUTMAN born in 1843. He married Serina Cummins in Jefferson County, Missouri on June 30, 1872. They were in St. Francis County, Missouri in 1880 and in St. Louis County, Missouri in 1900.

GEORGE PUTMAN born in 1844. He is in Bledsoe County, Tennessee in 1880.

SILAS MERCER PUTMAN born in 1848. He married Harriett Alexander and they were also in Grayson County, Texas in 1880.

TEXAS PUTMAN born in 1852. She married Daniel Berry.

SIMEON F. PUTMAN born in November 1852. He married Maria Alexander and they were in Grayson County, Texas in 1880.

HARVEY or **HOWARD PUTMAN** born in 1855. He is in Cooke County, Texas in 1880.

JOANNA PUTMAN born in 1857.

HAWKINS PUTMAN born in 1858.

MARGARET PUTMAN born in 1861. She was in Grayson County, Texas in 1880.

SARAH PUTMAN born in 1864. She was in Texas in 1880.

BERTHA or **BURCHA PUTMAN** born in 1869.

More details on this family are in the **ALABAMA PUTMANS** section.

Thomas Monroe Putman

He was born in 1818 in Tompkinsville, Monroe County, Kentucky. He moved with his folks to Hamilton County, Tennessee. In about 1838, he married Mary (Polly) Richmond and they moved to Randolph County, Alabama where they appear in the 1840 census. Mary was born in Tennessee in 1824 and was a daughter of John and Martha Richmond.

Mary died in the early 1840s, probably in the childbirth of their son John in 1841. The youngest two children, Martha Lou and John were taken in by Mary's mother, Martha Richmond, and her brother, William Rogers Richmond and his wife Mahala. They were raised by the Richmonds and appear with them in the 1850 and 1860 census reports for Bradley County, Tennessee.

Thomas had moved to Alabama, probably to follow the Gold Rush in northern Alabama. He is in Benton County, Alabama in the 1850 census with his second wife, Martha Jane Thomas. They were married about 1843 or 1844.

In 1860 they were in Cherokee County, Alabama with Sarah, Silas, James, Thomas and Hattie. In 1870, Martha is shown as a widow in Cherokee County with Thomas, George, William and Mary at home. The census must have been taken late, as I have a record that Thomas Putman died December 16, 1872 in Cherokee County, Alabama.

In 1900, Martha is 70 and living alone near her children.

The children in his first marriage to Mary Richmond were:

MARTHA LOU AMY PUTMAN born August 4, 1839 in Randolph County, Alabama. She married Isaac Washington Richmond, a cousin, on November 23, 1867. They lived in Bordon Springs, Cleburne County, Alabama and later moved in about 1890 to Scott County, Arkansas where she died on January 18, 1916. Isaac was born December 2, 1838 in Cleveland, Bradley County, Tennessee and died in Scott County on July 19, 1920.

JOHN PUTMAN born about 1841 in Randolph County, Alabama. He died of a complication of measles during the Civil War in about 1862. He never married.

Children of Thomas Monroe and Martha Thomas Putman were:

SARAH ELIZABETH PUTMAN born in 1846. She married a Powers man.

SILAS CASS PUTMAN born in Benton County in October 1848. Silas Cass married Nancy Hawkins on January 3, 1869. He died in Cleburne County, Alabama in 1916.

JAMES H. PUTMAN born in 1852. In 1880 he is in Cherokee County, Alabama with a wife named Elizabeth.

ISAAC THOMAS PUTMAN born in 1856. In 1900 he is in Cleburne County, Alabama at

age 43, his wife is Mary Susan Wheeler.

HARRIETT (HATTIE) PUTMAN born in 1859.

GEORGE ELZA PUTMAN born in February 1861. He is in Cleburne County in 1900. His wife was Mary A. Cooley.

WILLIAM PUTMAN born in 1866.

MARY PUTMAN born in 1869.

For more on this family, see the section on **ALABAMA PUTMANS**.

Forester Putman

He was born in 1822 in Tennessee. He married Ayrie Burch on February 1, 1839 in Benton County, Alabama. Ayrie was born in South Carolina in 1823. Her sister Sally married Silas Putman and after his death, she married his brother Howard Mercer Putman.

They lived in Calhoun County, Alabama. Calhoun County was the name of the new county that absorbed Benton County in the 1850s. They were there in the 1850 census with five children.

In 1860 he had two more children and is shown as a widower as Ayrie had died in the 1850s sometime after 1856.

Ayrie died in the mid 1850s and Forester married Malissa J. Johnson on August 24, 1859. They were married in Benton/Calhoun County, Alabama.

In 1870 he is in Cleburne County and again is widowed. Only his daughter, Eliza Ann 25, is home with him. In 1870 Forrester is 59 years old. I do not find him in the 1880 census, so I assume he died in the 1870s.

Their children were:

MARGARET PUTMAN was born in 1839. She married James L. Miller in Benton County on December 28, 1856. She was shown at home with her folks without a husband in the 1860 census. I assume she was widowed by then.

WILLIAM J. PUTMAN was born in 1842. He was with the family in 1860 but I cannot find him in 1870. Perhaps he, like so many others, died in the Civil War.

ELIZA ANN PUTMAN was born in 1844. She was still single and living with her father in the 1870 census of Cleburne County.

JOSIAH TAYLOR PUTMAN was born in 1846. He married Margaret Pruitt in Benton/Calhoun County on December 20, 1866. They were in Calhoun County in the 1870 census and in Etowah County, Alabama in 1880 with two daughters. I do not find them in 1900.

FORRESTER M. PUTMAN was born in 1849. He married Elizabeth Massey in Calhoun

County, Alabama on July 5, 1886.

SIMEON PUTMAN was born in 1850.

JOHN L. PUTMAN was born in 1854. In the 1880 census of Calhoun County, he is shown as being 28 and has a wife Sarah 26. I believe she is Sarah McArry as her sister, Elizabeth McArry is with them and listed as a sister in law.

James Putman

He is found living next to Upston in Randolph County, Alabama in 1850 and then I lose him. I am again guessing that he is Simeon's son. In fact I am not certain the James in Randolph County is the right James, so I will not list anything here. You can look at the census data for 1850 Alabama and make up your own mind.

Josephine Putman

Josephine would have been born in the 1830s. She married E. N. Martin in Benton/Calhoun County on January 21, 1858. That's all I have.

More on this family, especially the children will be found in the section on **ALABAMA PUTMANS**.