

THE PUTNAMS of Ritchie County

This group is from Massachusetts stock, they descend from John Putnam/Putman of Bath County, Virginia.

One of John's sons, Fuller Putnam, had a daughter Elizabeth. Elizabeth never married, but had two sons and gave them the Putnam name. They were Alexander Fuller Putnam and Charles Francisco Putnam.

Alexander and Charles moved to Petroleum, Ritchie County, West Virginia. Alex moved in the late 1870s and his brother joined him about four years later. They all remained in this area all their lives.

This family is covered as well in the preceding section on VIRGINIA PUTMANS.