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BENJAMIN PUTMAN

Kentucky to Indiana to Linn County Missouri

Benjamin Putman was another son of James Putman and Elizabeth Kendrick. He was born in Kentucky in 1816. He moved to Indiana by 1825.

Benjamin married Melvina Baker in Monroe County Indiana on June 5, 1836. They then moved to Linn County Missouri in the spring of 1840 with his brother William. The family appeared through the 1860 census. He died there, sometime in the next decade.

In 1870 Melvina, then age 54 and her daughter Mary are in Appanoose County Iowa as is their son William and his family. In 1900 she is in Woods County Oklahoma with her daughter Mary who has married Albert Linton. Melvina is 84 at that time.

They had nine children, but I have very little on this family, sorry.

CLINTON PUTMAN born in Indiana in 1836. I don't find him later, possibly a Civil War casualty.

AMANDA PUTMAN born in Indiana in 1838. She married James W. Sanders on April 7, 1852.

ELIZABETH PUTMAN born in Missouri in 1839. She married George Rice on March 10, 1858.

ANNA PUTMAN born in Missouri in 1840. She married James J. Morris on April 28, 1858. She died in childbirth in 1879 in Missouri.

WILLIAM ARTHUR PUTMAN born in Indiana in 1844. His wife was Mary Elizabeth Nelson. They were married in Appanoose County Iowa November 26, 1865 and were there in 1870. They were in Adams County Iowa in 1880 and he died there April 15, 1882. Mary was widowed in Franklin Appanoose County in 1885. In 1900, she is in Woods County Oklahoma living with her father Joseph Nelson (then 76 OH). The children were:

Joseph Putman born in 1866 in Iowa.

Saffronia Putman born in 1869 in Iowa. She married Fred E. Williams February 21, 1886.

James C. Putman born in 1870. James will be in Iowa in 1900, in Texas County Oklahoma in 1910, and back in Wayne County Iowa in 1920 and 1930. He married Minnie B. Wilson on May 5, 1892. He fought in the Spanish American War in Cuba, and in 1899 was one of the 13 founders of the Veterans of Foreign Wars Association. Interesting fella.

Willard Alva Putman born in 1872. He is married to Bertha Burr in Appanoose County Iowa in 1910, 1920 and 1930 and Wapello County Iowa in 1940. They were married April 8, 1894.

Jesse Harlan Putman born March 26, 1878. He married a Della and they were in Alfalfa County Oklahoma in 1917 and 1920. Della is widowed there in 1930.

SARAH PUTMAN born in Indiana in March 1847. According to a descendant, she married a Baker and then a Shanks man. She then married Albert Linton. They too moved to Woods County Oklahoma. Her mother was with them in the 1900 census. Her children were:

Rose Etta Baker born in Iowa in 1863. She married George Washington Linton.

Edith Emily Shanks born in Iowa in 1869. She married George Edward Press.

Malvina Linton born in Kansas in 1872. She married a Walpole.

Anna Sarah Linton born in Kansas in 1873. She married a Ricksecker.

Charlotte N. Linton born in Kansas in 1877. She married a Campbell.

Myrtle Linton born in Kansas in 1880. She married a Hallberg.

Walter L. Linton born in Kansas March 30, 1888.

Otis Linton born in Kansas February 25, 1890.

Maude Linton She married a Chambers.

JAMES R. PUTMAN born in Indiana in April 1849. In 1880, he is in Appanoose County Iowa with his wife Margaret R. Bell, born in Pennsylvania in 1851, and one child. They were married there December 3, 1871. In 1900 they are still there with a couple more children. In 1910, James, Margaret and Meryl are in Woods County Oklahoma. In 1920, James and Margaret are in Wayne County Iowa and all the kids are gone and married. Margaret died in the early 1920s. Then, in the Iowa State Census of 1925, he has a new wife Susan who was 57 born in Missouri then. I don't have her maiden or even previous married name. She is widowed in Wayne County in 1930 and lives near James C. Putman (William's son) as they were in 1920 and 1925. The children listed in the census reports were:

Anna Laura Putman born in Iowa in 1875.

Francis Marion Putman a son born in April 1882. He is with Alta Rogers in Putnam County Missouri in 1910, and back in Appanoose County Iowa in 1925 and 1930. They had at least one son:

Francis Marion Putman, Jr. born December 12, 1908 in Mendota, Putnam County Missouri. He married Reva Thelma Glascock. She was a daughter of Charles M. Glascock and Bertha Mae Walker and was born in Mendota, Missouri May 27, 1906. They were in North Platte in 1940 where he was a train dispatcher for the steam railroad.

Meryl Irene Putman a daughter born in September 1892. This info was sent to me by Pat Jones who is a descendent. 'Meryl married Fred Otto Wagner (born in Guben, Germany.....on border of Poland, Fred jumped ship at Corpus Christi, Texas port while he was a member of the German Merchant Marine. He worked the fields of Texas. Yukon, Oklahoma. My late mother is Margrette Agnes Wagner Jones was born on January 21st, 1920.' Pat has a website and I got a bit more there. Meryl married Fred December 31, 1914 in Alva, Woods County Oklahoma. She had previously married Emmett F. Bowman in Alva on December 18, 1910.

MATILDA PUTMAN born in Missouri in 1850. She married Francis C. Nelson December 11, 1865.

MARY L. PUTMAN born in Missouri in 1857.