

Descendants of Amos Adkins

Generation No. 1

1. AMOS³ ADKINS (*JOHN (ADKINS)² ATKINSON, AMOS¹ ATKINS*) was born Bet. 1733 - 1735 in possibly Ware, Hertford, England, but most likely Isle of Wight, Virginia, and died in most likely Williamson County, Tennessee. He married UNKNOWN INDIAN Abt. 1750 in Possibly Sussex or Surrey County, Virginia.

Notes for AMOS ADKINS:

This is the beginning of one particular Adkins Family Record in America (taken from the text of an ancestor of Cathy Kingcade, who had recorded in her Bible, the family history of the Adkins family chronicles, beginning with two brothers, emigrants...William and Amos Atkins/Adkins.

The following is "an interpretation" by Linda Siekman, from historical Bible notes of an ancestor of Cathy Kingcade, regarding the history of the Adkins/Atkins Family in America...commencing with the:

1). Immigration of the two brothers, William and Amos Atkins....who arrived together in Virginia after having set sail from England. (Cathy Kingcade is a descendant of James Meador Adkins, through his parents John Amos Adkins and Susannah Meador.) Supposedly both brothers first settled just south of Norfolk, in what is known to be one of the first colonies of Virginia (possibly Jamestown). It could easily be presumed that Amos had married an Indian woman in England who was thought to be from the same tribe as Pocahontas. Pocahontas, after her marriage, moved to England, so this remark regarding Amos' wife coming with him from England could be true if there were descendants of hers still living in England at that time.

2). The other end of the equation could be that Amos came with a wife who did not survive after the resettlement, and then the even stronger possibility that he married an Indian woman from the same tribe, once locating in the colonies. At some point, William Adkins relocated to Baltimore and settled there. Somewhere in this time frame, the "D" was dropped out of the name and a "T" was put in its place....becoming "Atkins" instead of "Adkins". Amos, who had married a woman of Indian and possibly Melungeon descent, raised at least ten children. From records available through the family of James Meador Adkins (son of John A. Adkins and Susan Meador) most of the children were reported to be sons, the youngest one reported to have been John M. Adkins. The names of their other children are not known at this time except for possibly sons named Pleasant, Henry, William and Joseph (male names that have been passed on through the generations).

3.) If Amos proves to be the son of John Atkinson and Elizabeth Ezell, then the records will prove that he married Jane Judkins and did have daughters, one daughter Jemima Adkins/Atkinson who married Henchey Rochelle of Sussex Co., VA. If Amos proves to be the son of John Atkinson Jr. (who married Elizabeth Ezell) and the grandson of John Atkinson Sr. (who married Ann Holloman), then Amos would have been born in Virginia, not England. John Atkinson Sr. was the son of Thomas Atkinson/Atkins Jr. who married Susannah Flake (daughter of Robert Flake); and Thomas Atkinson/Atkins Jr. was the son of Thomas Atkinson/Atkins Sr. (married to Martha), of Surry County, who died before 1663, in Surry County, VA. (L.S.)

John M. Adkins, "who is reported to have been the youngest" child born to Amos, married Patsy "Ginsey" Lumpkin, possible daughter of William Lumpkin and Anne Courtney. John M. and Patsy "supposedly" settled for a short time in Charlotte County, Virginia, and raised six sons and three daughters,....James, Henry, Joe, Pleasant, William, John A., Nancy, Patsy, and Dicy. The mentioned heirs of John and Patsy were reported to all be large people, healthy, peaceable, industrious, and sober, but with a strong fondness for their peach brandy that included honey and mint in it. As of today, the descendants of Amos Atkins are scattered throughout the United States. (From a journal found in the Bible of Nancy M. Adkins Carpenter, an ancestor of Cathy Kingcade, and descendant of James Meador Adkins.) (L.S.)

It is important to keep all of this information in perspective as we have no proven documentation

regarding the life and times of Amos Atkins upon his arrival or birth in America, other than his military service records. What I am trying to accomplish is to organize information that has been given and to put it into some sort of time-line. We can track an Amos Adkins/Atkinson/Atkins from Surry/Sussex counties in VA, through the Revolutionary War, later to North Carolina, where he was in the company of the Ezell and Judkins families (who also migrated from Surry/Sussex Co., to North Carolina), and then later to Williamson County, Tennessee, where he continued to live with or near the Ezell family. We find later marriage records for Amos to Phoebe/Phebe Ezell. In Williamson Co., TN, we have a will showing that Amos passed away in 1818, and left what estate he had left to Balaam Ezell and two of his heirs. If this is our Amos, then it all comes together nicely packaged, as we need to remember that Amos' mother was Elizabeth Ezell. (Linda Siekman's thoughts)

AUTOBIOGRAPHY OF REV. JOSEPH TARKINGTON, One of the Pioneer Methodist Preachers of Indiana: (WITH REFERENCE TO AMOS ADKINS)

In the autobiography of the Rev. Joseph Tarkington, the wife of Amos Adkins, a Revolutionary War Soldier, would have to be Phoebe Ezell. The Ezell family and the Tarkington family were related. Phoebe was born before the REV. WAR and would have had to have been married earlier as she had a son named "Israel". The only sons old enough to serve in the REV. WAR would have been the sons of Amos Adkins. Amos was born about 1735, and his oldest sons would have been in their late teens to early 20's by the time the war started. By all account, Phoebe would have lived through the War of 1812, and most likely died before Amos in 1818, as she is not mentioned in his will in Williamson Co., TN. This story was told 72 years after Amos and Phoebe had passed away.

SHOUTING AND DRINKING

"There was much shouting at that day in private and public. My Uncle Israel's mother, the wife of Amos Adkins, a Revolutionary soldier, was a great praying woman. She could pray, sing, and shout at the flax-wheel, in garden, and in the church. Her husband talked of Bunker Hill and Valley Forge. I often sat at his feet while he told stories of the war, of his suffering for food and clothing. He, like most of those old soldiers, drank hard. Though I was a boy, I would never see Adkins mistreated; but would go home with him often when he could not find his way home at night, and hear the good wife say: "Now, Amos, you have been at that again. Why do you do so, Amos?" The first thing I ever heard her sing was:

"If I met one by the way,
I always had something to say
About that heavenly union.
O, backslider, come away,
And learn to do, as well as say,
And then you will feel this heavenly union."

It was at her house where my mother had sent me for warping spools to run thread on. Though that was seventy-two years ago, I cannot forget that good woman and her song. She was of the old-style Methodist; could tell where she was converted, and how she had been sustained by the grace of God through all the War of 1776. She lived to see the second war with England, and said she wished she had some boys to send into the army.

It was wonderful how long the animosities of the War of Independence lasted in the hearts of good people."

NOTE: According to the notes in the possession of Helen H. Holmes, also a descendant of Amos Atkins: Amos and perhaps a brother William arrived in Virginia before the beginning of the Revolutionary War, perhaps as early as 1750. From additional notes both brothers fought in the war, with Amos holding the rank of Private. The War of the Revolution took place from 1775 through 1781. About 1790, Amos was apparently given a land grant of approximately 150 acres, located on the Big Sandy River, where it forked with the Ohio River and the Kanawha River. This land was located in the western region of Virginia at the time, which today would be part of the eastern region of Kentucky.

According to research that Helen Holmes has done on the web, along the Big Sandy River, there was an Indian Nation of more than 20,000 people. Amos possibly married a descendant of the Chickasaw Indian tribe, and by her, they had a large family of around 12 children. This is where it gets to be very confusing as Amos' son...John M. Adkins had to have been born about 1776, as he was married January 23, 1796, to Patsy "Ginsey" Lumpkin. What we do see is a repetition of names for his children that were often repeated for the next two generations. Hopefully time and the discovery of a military or pension record, marriage record, and hopefully a land record and Last Will and Testament, will clear up the mis-understandings we have regarding Amos and William Atkins.

NOTE: Many of the records for the Adkins/Atkins family in America, including the brief history above, were from the original Adkins records found in July 1942, by Hattie and Luther Carpenter, children of Nancy M. Adkins Carpenter. Also note: Many records and history of the Adkins family were generously provided by Cathy Kingcade, Judy Robinson and Arvil D. Stephens. We are most grateful to the descendants of James Meador Adkins for keeping the family history as best they could, which had to have come from James Meador Adkins.

Today (January 2001), the Adkins/Atkins descendants still make up the majority of the population along the Appalachian Mountain Range, known as the Daniel Boone National Forest. All throughout the region surrounding Frenchburg and West Liberty, Kentucky, you will find a large population of Adkins' descendants, some of whom I have known well. Floyd County, Kentucky also is made up of a great number of descendants from our massive Adkins' family. (Linda Siekman)

MILITARY SERVICE RECORDS, REVOLUTIONARY WAR

4th VIRGINIA REGIMENT. REVOLUTIONARY WAR, FILE # 23: War information, furnished by the NATIONAL ARCHIVES for AMOS ADKINS/ATKINS, upon request of his descendant, Helen H. Holmes. Master Number: 347258. Order Date: 4/2/01. (Card numbers: 3570, 9893, 9939, 9981, 1-0110, 0024, 0066, 0151, 0194, 0237, 0277, 0322, 0368, 0416, 0464, 0508, 0545, 0586, 0626, 0643, 0698)

AMOS ADKINS/ATKINSON (his military service records show both spellings) enlisted as a volunteer and served in the infantry with the 4th Virginia Regiment of Foot, Captain George Wall's company, commanded by Colonel Robert Lawson. According to the Company Pay Roll and Company Muster Roll, Amos Adkins served from April 1, 1777 through February 1778. But according to the military service records, Amos Adkins/Atkins had served "2 years" when he was discharged March 6, 1778, due to illness and having to be hospitalized. In 1778, he served from January 1st through February 14th, before being hospitalized. Looking back through the records for the Company Pay Roll and the Company Muster Roll, AMOS ADKINS/ATKINS was shown as having been sick during the months of May and August of 1777. The illness was described as "SICK CHATHAM" (this could mean "sick in Chatham", of which Chatham was located in Pittsylvania Co. VA).

[MY (L.G.S.) "EARLY" PERSONAL RESEARCH/OPINION ON "SICK CHATHAM": I could not find the term for "Chatham" in the dictionary, but I referred to the WORLD BOOK ENCYCLOPEDIA here in my home and it is very interesting to note as it begins with...."the Earl of Chatham"...who was William Pitt. He denounced harsh British measures against the American colonies. His son, William Pitt the Younger, was one of England's greatest prime ministers.

In reading more about the Earl of Chatham in the article, it mentioned that during the last ten years of his life....1768-1778, he supported parliamentary reforms and studied the American situation, protesting against British policy in the colonies, and rejoiced when America resisted that policy. Supposedly his last speeches on the Revolutionary War being fought....were among his best. Pitt was most outstanding as a wartime leader. He achieved his greatest fame with his ability to inspire generals and arouse people...rather than the skill necessary in making political deals and balancing the budget.

I am obviously paraphrasing what I have studied, therefore, where the term "Sick Chatham" possibly comes from. In other words, Amos Adkins' claiming to be "sick absent or sick Chatham", might easily have had more to do with his turning his back on the policies of his native homeland...England, and British rule. Amos might have easily found himself in a situation where he was being threatened by both parties...particularly as a traitor of his native England. He had to protect himself and this was one way to do it. This also happened with my GREER family who lived in Baltimore, MD. When William Greer moved his family from Scotland, by way of England, half of his

sons fought for the British, and half fought for the American colonies. Both sides of his family were considered traitors...depending on how you looked at it.

It was discovered that there was a military hospital in Chatham, Pittsylvania Co., VA, so this most likely describes "sick Chatham".

The term certainly takes on a richer meaning or connotation when you read about it. It paints quite a picture of how intense the situation was during this particular war, as the colonies were striving so fiercely for their independence from British rule. It is easy to understand how Amos might have been considered "one of the others" (a traitor to the homeland of England). Again, this is speculation on my part. (Linda Grow Siekman, descendant of Amos Adkins]

From April 1st to August 1st, Amos served in the 4th VA Regiment of Foot, commanded by Colonel Thomas Elliot. Colonel Robert Lawson commanded from August 1st through the end of December of 1777. In the February through March 6th, Company Muster Roll, the 4th VA Regiment of Foot is commanded by Major Isaac Beall.

Colonel Lawson's men came from Berkely, Charlotte, Prince Edward, Sussex, Southampton, Nancemond, Brunswick, Isle of Wight, Surrey, and Princess Anne counties, also the Borough of Norfolk. On 12 May 1779, the 4th Virginia Regiment of Foot was consolidated with the 8th Virginia Regiment.

Engagements were Chesapeake Bay, Northern New Jersey, Trenton-Princeton, Defense of Philadelphia, Philadelphia-Monmouth (BATTLE OF MONMOUTH) and Charleston. Captain George Walls became a Captain 27 September 1776, and resigned 2 July 1779.

INFORMATION/RESEARCH/RESOURCES for AMOS and his brother WILLIAM (other than research done by myself, LINDA GROW SIEKMAN):

1. CATHY KINGCADE, Virginia, descendant, through his son John M., son John A., and son James Meador Adkins.
2. ARVIL D. STEPHENS, Connecticut, descendant through the above, along with his cousin Wendy Dolphay of California.
3. DELORIS SCHWARZ, Marysville, Kansas, descendant of John M. Adkins son...Pleasant Adkins who migrated to Ohio.
4. JUDY ROBINSON, Marlow, Oklahoma, descendant of John M., son John A., and son James Meador Adkins.
5. HELEN H. HOLMES, of Florida, descendant of Amos Atkins, through his son William Atkins.
6. MILITARY SERVICE RECORDS, NATIONAL ARCHIVES, Washington D. C.
7. Numerous Virginia records, including Halifax and Pittsylvania county Deeds (in file of Linda G. Siekman)
8. North Carolina Deeds (in file of Linda G. Siekman)

More About AMOS ADKINS:

Baptism: Parish Register transcripts (1560-1950), St. Mary the Virgin Church, Ware, Hertfordshire, England

Military service: Bet. 1775 - 1781, the Revolutionary War, serving as a private from the state of Virginia, in the 4th VA Regiment

Notes for UNKNOWN INDIAN:

According to legend and a family journal found among a descendant of James Meador Adkins, the wife of Amos Atkins was believed to have been of the same tribe as Pocahontas (accept over a century

later), located along the east Virginia coastline. This is all that is known of Amos' wife and the mother of at least ten sons, the youngest being John M. Adkins. James Meador Adkins was the son of John Amos Adkins and Susannah Meador (John Amos Adkins, the grandson of Amos Adkins).

The Jane Judkins that we have found to have been the wife of Amos Adkins/Atkinson, could have been descended from the Cherokee or Chickasaw Indian nations, therefore, the legend or tale that had passed through the family would have been based on Indian blood among her people. Amos and Jane were married at a time when they would have been of the marriage most likely to have produced 10 sons. At the time when they were having their children, daughters rarely were mentioned, unless their descendants were fortunate enough to discover a marriage record showing one of their parents as "surety".

More About AMOS ADKINS and UNKNOWN INDIAN:

Marriage: Abt. 1750, Possibly Sussex or Surrey County, Virginia

Children of AMOS ADKINS and UNKNOWN INDIAN are:

2.
 - i. JOHN M.⁴ ADKINS, b. Bet. 1776 - 1780, Possibly the Virginia Colony at Jamestown or Halifax County, Virginia; d. Abt. 1861, Hales Ford (located on Highway 122, where it crosses the border between Franklin and Bedford counties), Franklin County, Virginia (85 yrs. old at time of death).
 - ii. CHILD ADKINS, b. Abt. 1771.
 - iii. CHILD ADKINS, b. Abt. 1773.
 - iv. CHILD ADKINS, b. Abt. 1775.
 - v. CHILD ADKINS, b. Bef. 1776.
 - vi. CHILD ADKINS, b. Bef. 1776.
 - vii. CHILD ADKINS, b. Bef. 1776.
 - viii. PLEASANT (?) ADKINS, b. Bef. 1776.
 - ix. WILLIAM (?) ADKINS, b. Bef. 1776.
 - x. AMOS (?) ADKINS, b. Abt. 1783.

Generation No. 2

2. JOHN M.⁴ ADKINS (*AMOS*³, *JOHN (ADKINS)² ATKINSON*, *AMOS*¹ *ATKINS*) was born Bet. 1776 - 1780 in Possibly the Virginia Colony at Jamestown or Halifax County, Virginia, and died Abt. 1861 in Hales Ford (located on Highway 122, where it crosses the border between Franklin and Bedford counties), Franklin County, Virginia (85 yrs. old at time of death). He married PATSY "GINSEY" LUMPKIN January 23, 1796 in Halifax County, Virginia, daughter of WILLIAM LUMKIN/LUMPKIN and ANN COURTNEY. She was born Bet. 1778 - 1782 in Virginia, and died Bef. 1861 in Hales Ford (located on Highway 122, where it crosses the border between Franklin and Bedford counties), Franklin County, Virginia (75 yrs. old at time of death).

Notes for JOHN M. ADKINS:

John M. Adkins was the youngest of 10 sons who are unknown.

After their marriage, John M. Adkins and Patsy/Ginsey Lumkin settled in Charlotte County, Virginia. They raised 6 sons and 3 daughters.

According to additional Bible records, all of the heirs of John M. and Patsy were large people, healthy, peaceable, industrious, sober, but liked their peach brandy with honey and mint in it.

Information for resources, including Hales Ford, Franklin Co., VA:

1. Cathy Kingcade, Virginia, descendant of John M. Adkins, through his son...John A. Adkins, and son...James Meador Adkins.
2. Arvil D. Stephens, Connecticut, descendant of John M. Adkins, through his son...John A. Adkins, and son...James Meador Adkins; and Arvil's cousin, Wendy Dolphay of Janesville, California.
3. Deloris Schwarz, Marysville, Kansas, and Helen H. Holmes...descendants of John M. Adkins, through his son...Pleasant Adkins.
4. Franklin County, Virginia Historical Society (courtesy of Deloris Schwarz): Halesford, Franklin Co., VA.
5. Marriage Bond, Halifax County, Virginia, January 22 (?), 1796.

Hales Ford is located on Highway 122, where it crosses the border between Franklin and Bedford counties. According to Arvil D. Stephens, a descendant of John A. Adkins and Susan Meador, "I had a few minutes this morning to go through my files regarding Hales Ford and a few people born there. Wendy (Arvil's cousin) mentions a 'Meador family graveyard' and Joel Meador's plantation 'lying on the river'. This is probably a branch of the Staunton River, which is also called the Roanoke River in this area. Unfortunately, this area was flooded when the Smith Mountain Dam was built. I have been to Hales Ford. It is a very small town - not much more than a gas station and a couple of small stores that cater to people who use the lake. In fact, Hales Ford is not labeled on many maps. It is located about 15 miles southeast of Roanoke, Virginia; where Route 122 crosses Smith Mountain Lake. I have not pursued locating a Meador or Adkins family cemetery in Hales Ford, but it looks like an interesting lead. The state engineers would have to relocate all known cemeteries prior to flooding the area." Smith Mountain Lake is now a quite large and popular resort.
(Information graciously provided by Arvil D. Stephens)

John M. Adkins and Patsy (Lumpkin) Adkins are buried on the west side of Franklin County, Virginia, at the foot of the Blue Ridge Mountains, 30 miles west of Rocky Mount. Today (Nov. 2000) you cannot go 30 miles west of Rocky Mount and still be in Franklin County. The county lines have changed several times and 30 miles west would put you in Floyd County, VA, today.

More About JOHN M. ADKINS:

Burial: Franklin County, Virginia (buried 30 miles west of Rocky Mount in Franklin County, at the foot of the Blue Ridge Mountains)

Census: 1820, Halifax County, Virginia; 2 males under 10, 2 males 10-16, 1 male 16-26, and 1 male 45 and up; 2 females under 10, and 1 female 26 to 45. Four were engaged in agriculture [3 oldest sons and John M. Adkins].

Occupation: Farmer

More About PATSY "GINSEY" LUMPKIN:

Burial: Franklin County, Virginia (buried 30 miles west of Rocky Mount in Franklin County, at the foot of the Blue Ridge Mountains)

Marriage Notes for JOHN ADKINS and PATSY LUMPKIN:

Patsy "Ginsey" Lumpkin's mother "Ann" gave permission for Ginsey's marriage to John M. Adkins. William Atkins was a witness and William Ryan was surety. Note that John M.'s last name was spelled with a "d" and William's last name was spelled with a "t". [Information based on research by Deloris Schwarz....Halifax Co. VA Marriage records, researched Sept. 7, 2002]

The marriage record was also confirmation that Patsy's nickname or middle name was "Ginsey" as this is the name that was used for the marriage record and marriage bond.

More About JOHN ADKINS and PATSY LUMPKIN:

Marriage: January 23, 1796, Halifax County, Virginia

Marriage bond: January 23, 1796, Surety was Ginsey's mother....Ann Lumpkin/Lumkin; Virginia

Marriage Records (www.nyvagenealogy.homestead.com/mva1795~ns4.html)

Marriage Record: January 23, 1796, Halifax County, VA Marriages and IGI Record

Children of JOHN ADKINS and PATSY LUMPKIN are:

3.
 - i. JOHN AMOS⁵ ADKINS, b. Abt. May 08, 1804, Halifax County, Virginia; d. August 24, 1888, Boydsville, Round Prairie Township, Callaway County, Missouri (81 yrs., 1 month, 2 days).
 - ii. HENRY ADKINS, b. Abt. 1796; m. ELIZABETH OVERFELT; b. Abt. 1805, Franklin County, Virginia; d. Callaway County, Missouri.
 - iii. NANCY ADKINS, b. Abt. 1797; d. Abt. 1847, Pittsylvania County, Virginia; m. JOSEPH [ARNETT] ANNATT, Bef. 1820, Virginia.

More About JOSEPH [ARNETT] ANNATT:

Census: 1820, Pittsylvania County, Virginia, 3 males under 10, 1 male 26-45, 1 female 26-45. Two engaged in agriculture, and 1 male slave.

More About JOSEPH ANNATT and NANCY ADKINS:

Marriage: Bef. 1820, Virginia

4.
 - iv. PLEASANT ADKINS, b. Abt. 1798.
 - v. WILLIAM ADKINS, b. Abt. 1799; m. LUCY BOZWELL, October 10, 1841, Franklin County, Virginia.

More About WILLIAM ADKINS and LUCY BOZWELL:
Marriage: October 10, 1841, Franklin County, Virginia
5.
 - vi. JAMES ADKINS, b. 1800, Halifax County, Virginia.
 - vii. PATSY ADKINS, b. Abt. 1811; m. PRATER.
6.
 - viii. JOSEPH (JOE) (ATKINS) ADKINS, b. 1812, (Most likely Halifax County) Virginia; d. Abt. 1910, Virginia, (99 years old).
7.
 - ix. DICY ADKINS, b. Abt. 1819, Franklin County, Virginia (30 yrs. old in 1850 US Census).

Generation No. 3

3. JOHN AMOS⁵ ADKINS (*JOHN M.*⁴, *AMOS*³, *JOHN (ADKINS)*² *ATKINSON*, *AMOS*¹ *ATKINS*) was born Abt. May 08, 1804 in Halifax County, Virginia, and died August 24, 1888 in Boydsville, Round Prairie Township, Callaway County, Missouri (81 yrs., 1 month, 2 days). He married (1) SUSANNAH "SUSAN" MEADOR. He married (2) SUSANNAH "SUSAN" MEADOR October 06, 1830 in Hales Ford, Franklin County, Virginia, daughter of JAMES MEADOR and MARY DIVERS. She was born Abt. 1807 in Hales Ford, Franklin County, Virginia, and died July 03, 1897 in the home of her son, Charles "Charlie" B. Adkins, Boydsville, Callaway County, Missouri (Round Prairie Township).

Notes for JOHN AMOS ADKINS:

MARRIAGE BOND AND RECORD FOR JOHN AMOS ADKINS AND SUSANNAH MEADOR:

Marriage Bond between John A. Adkins and Susannah "Susan" Meador: "Know all men by these present, that we, John A. Adkins and Stephen Booth are held and firmly bound unto John Floyd, Governor of the Commonwealth of Virginia in the just and full sum of One hundred and Fifty Dollars, the true payment wherof, well and truly to be made, we bind ourselves, our heirs, executors and administrators jointly and severally, firmly by these present. Sealed with our seals and dated this 6th day of October, 1830. The conditions of the above obligation is such that whereas the above bound John A. Adkins hath obtained from the clerk of the County of Franklin, a license for his intermarriage with Susannah Meador of said county. Now if there shall be no lawful cause to obstruct said marriage, then the above obligation to be void, else to remain in full force and virtue."

John A. Adkins (X) {seal}
Stephen Booth {seal}

1860 SLAVE SCHEDULE FOR ROUND PRAIRIE TOWNSHIP, CALLAWAY COUNTY, PAGE 20 (96), JULY 16 & 17, 1860.

JOHN AMOS ADKINS is shown with 1 female slave of 28 years old. She is shown with 3 children: 1 - 10 year old male, 1 - 9 year old female, 1 - 7 year old male. All black.

OBITUARY FOR JOHN AMOS ADKINS:

According to the obituary that appeared in the CALLAWAY WEEKLY GAZETTE [Fulton, Callaway Co., Missouri], August 31, 1888....

"Mr. John A. Adkins, 83 years of age, died on the 24th inst. Three days before his death, he went into the barn to give attention to some cattle. He slipped and fell upon his face, dislocating or straining his vertebral column in the upper part. The pain was so intense that he declared he could feel it at the extremities of his fingers. The bereaved have our sympathies."

ESTATE OF JOHN A. ADKINS

ESTATE OF....John A. Adkins, Dec'd,...Bundle No. 5, Box No. 380 (Copied from original on 10-15-1996, by Linda Siekman, Callaway County Courthouse, Fulton, Callaway County, Missouri)
PROBATE COURT, CALLAWAY CO., MISSOURI
DATE OF LETTERS....3rd day of Sept. A.D. 1888
FINAL SETTLEMENT

Estate of....JOHN A. ADKINS, Deceased. Petitionfor Refusal of
Administration__for__INSUFFICIENCY OF PROPERTY. Filed...Sept. 3rd, 1888, by Robert
McPheeters, Judge of Probate.

#532 - PETITION FOR RESUSAL OF ADMINISTRATION FOR INSUFFICIENCY OF PROPERTY.
STATE OF MISSOURI, }
County of Callaway

C. B. Adkins being duly sworn on his oath, says that he is the son of John A. Adkins,
deceased, late of the County of Callaway, MO, who died on or about the 24th day of August, 1888, and
that the estate of said deceased does not exceed the sum of Four Hundred Dollars in value, consisting
of:

FIRST. A family bible and other books of the value of_____Dollars.

SECOND. Household, kitchen and table furniture, including beds, bedsteads and bedding of the value
of Twenty Five Dollars.

THIRD. Provisions of the value of Ten Dollars.

FOURTH. Other personal property, consisting of...a mare, mule colt, cow & calf, 6 stock hogs, 2 sows
& pigs, 16 bushels of wheat, 2 bushels of oats, 1 stack of hay, and interest in corn crop...amounting in
the aggregate to the sum of Three Hundred Dollars.

That the family of said decedent consisted of Susan Adkins, the widow...and that in addition to the
provisions on hand and provided at the time of the death of said decedent, there will be needed for the
subsistence of said family, for twelve months, the sum of Twenty five dollars in lieu of provisions not so
on hand.

Said Affiant further states that said deceased had no property or effects of any kind whatsoever, at the
time of his death, except the property above mentioned, as far as he has been able to ascertain.

Wherefore he prays the Court to order that no Letters of Administration be issued on said estate,
unless on the application of creditors or other parties interested, the existence of other or further
property be shown.

Signed...C. B. Adkins

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 3rd day of September, 1888

Robt. McPheeters
Judge of Probate

Item #306...Appraisement List of the property of John A. Adkins, deceased, in the County of Callaway,
State of Missouri, this the 30th day of August, 1888...

Articles:

1 Bay mare.....	\$100.00
1 Mule colt.....	40.00
1 Cow & calf.....	20.00
1 Cow & calf.....	15.00
6 Stock hogs.....	30.00
2 Sows & 15 piggys.....	25.00
16 Bushels of wheat.....	8.00
12 Bushels of oats.....	2.40
1 Haystack.....	2.50
House hold & kitchen furniture.....	\$25.00
1/3 of twenty seven acres of corn.....	54.00
1 Saddle.....	1.00

\$322.90

V. Arthur
W. S. Greer
George T. Cundiff

We the appraisers of the Estate of J. A. Adkins, Dec., Hereby certify that this is a correct list of the property of said J. A. Adkins, Dec. To the best of our knowledge & belief} V. Arthur

G. T. Cundiff
W. S. Greer

Subscribed & sworn to before me this the 31st day of Aug. 1888

J. G. Sexton, Notary Public

I, Susan Adkins, widow of J. A. Adkins, Dec., hereby Certify that I have given up all property of Dec. to the above appraisors....

Susan Adkins (her own true signature)

Subscribed & sworn to before me this...Aug. 31st, 1888

J. G. Sexton, Notary Public

[COPY OF PROBATE/ESTATE RECORD IN POSSESSION OF LINDA SIEKMAN, GGG-GRANDDAUGHTER OF JOHN A. ADKINS]

DEEDS AND INDENTURES, ETC. FOR JOHN A. ADKINS, CALLAWAY COUNTY, MISSOURI

1. 1857, November 16 - Deed (Date Recorded), James M. Davis & wife Polly Ann Davis - property to - John A. Adkins, Callaway Co. Courthouse, Fulton, Callaway Co., MO; Book P; pages 320 - 321; \$2,000.
2. 1857, November 3 - Indenture (Date Recorded), John A. Comer & Nancy Comer - property to - John A. Adkins, Callaway Co. Courthouse, Fulton, Callaway Co., MO; Book P; pages 321-322; \$1,500.
3. 1861, May 6 - Deed (Date Recorded), Samuel B. Bogus & wife Nancy E. Bogus - 160 acres - to John A. Adkins, Callaway Co. Courthouse, Fulton, Callaway Co., MO; Book S, pages 509-510; \$1,800.
4. 1865, May 9 - Deed (Date Recorded), John A. Adkins - all property, real, personal, and mixed, out of love for wife - to wife Susan Adkins, Callaway Co. Courthouse, Fulton, Callaway Co., MO; Book U; pages 173-174; \$1.00 to deed over.
5. 1866, February 16 - Power of Attorney (Date Recorded), Jacob Key - appoints trust-worthy friend John A. Adkins as his attorney, to collect and attend to all business that he may bear unsettled in the State of Missouri, giving John A. Adkins full authority; Callaway County Courthouse, Fulton, Callaway Co., MO; Book W; pages 46-47.
6. 1869, May 15 - (Date Recorded), John A. Adkins appointed Attorney (Date Recorded), We - William E. Meador, Martha A. Medor, and Clementine S. Meador (brother and sisters), of Franklin County, Virginia - appoint as their attorney - John A. Adkins of Callaway Co., MO, to represent them in the settlement of the estate of their deceased brother, Jesse D. Meador of Callaway Co, MO - John A. Comer administrator of the said Jesse D. Meador's estate; Callaway County Courthouse, Fulton, Callaway Co., MO; Book 2; pages 571-572.
7. 1875, March 27 - Deed (Date Recorded), Thomas B. Little & wife Fanny Little - 80 acres to - John A. Adkins; Callaway County Courthouse, Fulton, Callaway Co., MO; Book 6, pages 329 - 330; \$2,500.
8. 1877, December 6 - Deed (Date Recorded), Samuel E. Ashlock & wife Sarah - 100 acres to - Susan Adkins & John A. Adkins; Callaway County Courthouse, Fulton, Callaway Co., MO; Book 9, page 164; \$1,800.
9. 1878, September 14 - Deed (Date Recorded), Susan Adkins & John A. Adkins - preliminary signing

over of 100 acres of land to - son, Charles B. Adkins of Callaway County, not to have full possession and control of until after the death of both parents; Callaway County Courthouse, Fulton, Callaway Co., MO; Book 9, page 503; No fee - "gift".

10. 1888, September 3 - Appointment (Date Recorded), Charlie B. Adkins - Appointment as Executor of deceased Father's estate - John A. Adkins (died on August 24, 1888), signed by "Susan Adkins", the widow; Probate #532, Callaway County Courthouse, Fulton, Callaway Co., MO; No fee.

RESEARCH SOURCES FOR JOHN A. ADKINS, SUSANNAH "SUSAN" MEADOR AND THEIR CHILDREN:

- 1a. 1850 Franklin County, Virginia, US Census Record (LS)
- 1b. 1860 Callaway County, Missouri, Census Slave Schedule (HH).
2. 1860, 1870...Village of Boydsville, Round Prairie Township, Callaway County, Missouri US Census Records (LS). To date, an 1880 US Census Record for John A. and Susan.....has not been found. They could have been missed or away on a visit to grown children. We know they were still living in Round Prairie Township of Callaway County, at the time of their deaths. Additional accounts of activity for John and Susan, testify to their still living in Boydsville at the time of the census in 1880.
3. Virginia marriage bond and marriage record (LS)
4. MARRIAGE BONDS OF FRANKLIN COUNTY, VIRGINIA, 1786-1858, by Marshall Wingfield, West Tennessee Historical Society. (LS)
5. Miller's Creek Cemetery Records, Callaway County, Missouri (LS)
6. Obituaries for John A. Adkins and Susannah "Susan" (Meador) Adkins (LS)
7. Estate Probate Records for John A. Adkins...died intestate (without a will), Callaway Co. Courthouse, Fulton, Callaway Co., MO. (LS)
8. Property at time of death: House, barn, livestock, at least 27 acres of land to farm...1/3 in corn, etc. (LS)
9. Missouri Archives, Jefferson City, MO (LS)
10. CALLAWAY COUNTY LIBRARY...Daniel Boone Branch, Fulton, Callaway Co., MO (LS)
11. Arvil Stephens, Connecticut, descendant of John A. and Susan Adkins through their son James Meador Adkins.
12. Deloris Schwarz, Marysville, KS, descendant of Pleasant Adkins (brother of John A. Adkins); Helen Holmes of Starke, FL, descendant of Pleasant Adkins (brother of John A. Adkins)
13. Cathy Kingcade, desc. of John A. and Susan Adkins, through their son James Meador Adkins.
14. Wendy Dolphay, P. O. Box 636, Janesville, CA 96114
15. Sarah Adkins Wyatt, Fulton, Callaway Co., MO, descendant of Henry Adkins of Village of Boydsville, Callaway Co., MO
16. FRANKLIN COUNTY, VIRGINIA...A HISTORY, by Marshall Wingfield, Chesapeake Book Company, Berryville, Virginia, 1964. (Source used at large in getting a feel of the life and times of the Adkin's family in Franklin County, VA, during the late 1700's and the early 1800's (LS)

17. Various Deeds, Pittsylvania County, VA (in file of Linda G. Siekman). John Amos Adkins still owned land in Pittsylvania County, after his migration to Callaway County, Missouri.

More About JOHN AMOS ADKINS:

Burial: Abt. August 25, 1888, Miller's Creek Cemetery, Miller's Creek Methodist Church, Boydsville, Callaway County, Missouri

Census: 1850, Franklin County, VA; August 8, 1850; page 65

Deeds: Callaway County, Missouri (Numerous deeds found at the Callaway County Courthouse in Fulton. All are copied and in the personal collection of Linda Siekman, g.g.g.granddaughter of John A. and Susan (Meador) Adkins.

Marriage Bond and Record: October 06, 1830, Franklin County, VA

Will filed: Aft. August 24, 1888, Not accepted due to limited property. John and Susan had previously made arrangements for all of their assests to be distributed. Boydsville, Callaway Co., Round Prairie Township, Missouri. Estate papers filed at the Callaway Co. Courthouse, Fulton, MO.

Notes for SUSANNAH "SUSAN" MEADOR:

Obituary, according to the Fulton Telegraph (newspaper), July, 1897,...

"Died, in this city, July 10, 1897, at the residence of her son, C. B. Adkins, Mrs. Susan Adkins, aged 90 years. She was buried at Miller's Creek church on Saturday morning. She has been a resident of the county since 1857; and leaves nine children to mourn her death. (Note: Susan went to live with her son Charlie, following John A.'s death. Charles was living in Fulton, Callaway County in 1897.)

More About SUSANNAH "SUSAN" MEADOR:

Burial: Abt. July 04, 1897, Miller's Creek Cemetery, Miller's Creek Methodist Church, Boydsville, Callaway County, MO.

Education: Was probably illiterate though she could write and had signed the estate papers for her deceased husband, John A. Adkins, following his death, August 24, 1888

Marriage Notes for JOHN ADKINS and SUSANNAH MEADOR:

Reference:

MARRIAGE BONDS OF FRANKLIN COUNTY, VIRGINIA, 1786 - 1858, page 17, by Marshall Wingfield, a native son of Franklin County,... West Tennessee Historical Society, 246 South Watkins Street, Memphis, Tennessee.

More About JOHN ADKINS and SUSANNAH MEADOR:

Marriage: October 06, 1830, Hales Ford, Franklin County, Virginia

Children of JOHN ADKINS and SUSANNAH MEADOR are:

- i. JOHN HENRY⁶ ADKINS, b. August 21, 1833, Hales Ford, Franklin County, Virginia; d. January 07, 1902, Boydsville, Round Prairie Township, Callaway County, MO (68 yrs., 4 mos., 22 days); m. ELIZABETH "BETSY" MILDRED LEFTWICH, November 24, 1853, Hales Ford, Franklin County, Virginia; b. November 24, 1832, Franklin County, Virginia; d. October 14, 1920, Ashland, Boone County, Missouri, Cedar Township (87 years old).

Notes for JOHN HENRY ADKINS:

John H. Adkins and Elizabeth Mildred Leftwich brought their family to Missouri, arriving between 1857-1858, following the birth of their daughter Catherine J. Adkins in 1856. More than likely, they arrived in Callaway County with John A. and Susan, and other family members in 1857, or shortly afterwards. After they moved to Englewood, Boone County, Missouri, just on the other side of Cedar Creek, and had purchased beautiful rolling farmland,.....John and Elizabeth had twin sons...John Leftwich Adkins and James Walter Adkins/Atkins, who both appear as 5 months old in the 1860 Missouri Census.

Documents noting information for John H. Adkins, Elizabeth M. Leftwich and children:

1. The 1860 and 1870 Boone County, Missouri census shows John H. Adkins and his family living in Cedar Township, Boone County, Missouri:

NARA M-653, Roll 608, 1860 U.S. Census, Boone Co., MO, Cedar Township, page 683, #337/328: John H. Adkins, 27, m, farmer, \$700/\$450, Virginia; Elizabeth m. 27, f, VA; Sarah F., 5, f, VA; Catherine J., 3, f, VA; John L., 5/12, m, MO; Jas W., 5/12, m, MO.

NARA M-593, Roll 760, and Ancestry.com [page 98] 1870 U.S. Census, Boone Co., MO, Cedar Township, p. 49r, #793/944: Adkins, John H., 37, m, W, Farmer, \$1000/\$500, Virginia; Elizabeth, 37, f, W, Keeps House, Virginia; Sarah F, 16, f, W, Missouri (actually VA); Kitty J, 14, f, W, MO (actually VA); James W., 10, m, W, MO [Note: Twin brother of James Walter....."John Leftwich" has passed away by 1870].

NARA T-9, Reel 676 and Ancestry.com, 1880 U.S. Census, Boone Co., MO, Cedar Township, p. 65, #219/224: Adkins, Jno H., W, m, 57 (should be 47), Farmer, VA/VA/VA; E. M., f, 48, Wife, Keeping House, VA/VA/VA; Jas W., W, m, 20, Son, farm hand, MO/VA/VA; Sitton, Fannie, W, f, 67, Mother in Law, VA/VA/VA.

2. Other records used for verification of locality and dates: the 1850 Franklin County, Virginia census; and their Virginia Marriage Bond.

3. Miller's Creek Methodist Church records. John H. Adkins and Elizabeth joined the church in 1877, but did not move back to Boydsville until after 1880. According to his obituary, John and Elizabeth joined the church 25 years before his death, though I believe this is actually when they started attending Miller's Creek. Refer to Item # 9 below.

4. Miller's Creek Cemetery records and head or tomb stones, Callaway County, Missouri.

5. Obituary in the MISSOURI TELEGRAPH, indicates that John H. Adkins could possibly have moved from Boone County back to Boydsville, Callaway County, twenty-five years before he died, which proves that he might have lived for a while in Boydsville, before moving to Boone County. (See "write-up" below.) Note: I don't think he probably moved back until maybe 10 years before his death. His father had passed away in 1888, and he possibly wanted to be closer to his mother who was living with his brother Charles B. Atkins/Adkins in Boydsville.

6. Obituary in the ASHLAND BUGLE, Ashland, Boone Co., MO., newspaper, John H. died at his home "near" Boydsville. (See "write-up" below.)

7. Douglas/Adkins Bible Record, verifies dates of birth for John, Elizabeth, their children and grandchildren.

8. The ASHLAND BUGLE, October 1920, in the obituary for Elizabeth Mildred Leftwich Adkins Smith, states that she left Virginia and came with her husband and children to Missouri, arriving in 1858.

9. Miller's Creek Methodist Church Register, showing date of Baptism, Nov. 3, 1898, for both John H. and Betsy Adkins.

10. History of Smith Chapel (Methodist Church) in Cedar Township, Boone County, Missouri, documented in 1876 History of the Church, that John H. and Elizabeth "Betsy" Adkins were Charter Members of the Church. When Smith Chapel was later disbanded in 1925, most of the members that were left at that time moved their membership to the Ashland Methodist Church in Boone County. The history of the church, including its charter members can be found in the Western Manuscripts Department of the University of Missouri Library, Columbia, Missouri. The history on file was written and submitted by Mrs. Virginia B. Nichols, a former member of the Church (membership #59), about 1942. JOHN H. ADKINS was one of the founding charter members, being one of the four Grantees (along with John E. Smith, G. W. Brown, and T. M. Roberts). All were Trustees of the Quarterly Conference of the Ashland Circuit for the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. First Minister was the Reverend John E. Smith.

11. DEED RECORD DATA for the SMITH CHAPEL METHODIST CHURCH: Title of Record.. "Trustee Title", Book 52, page number 256; Date of Deed: August 11, 1876; Date filed: July 9, 1878.

OBITUARY for JOHN H. ADKINS appeared in THE MISSOURI TELEGRAPH (Fulton, Callaway Co. MO) on January 10, 1902:

"John H. Adkins was born in Franklin County, Va., August 21, 1833, and died in Boydsville, January 7, 1902. He united with the Methodist church about 25 years ago and his membership was with the Miller's Creek church. Brother Adkins was a good man and loved by all who knew him. His last words were a prayer. He

leaves a wife, one son, three grandchildren and one great grand child to mourn his loss. Reverend N. W. Bedsworth gave us a good talk from the words, 'preach the gospel'. We buried Brother Adkins in the Miller's Creek Cemetery, just at the going down of the sun, to await the morning of resurrection. (J. Lee Jamison)"

OBITUARY for JOHN H. ADKINS appeared in the ASHLAND BUGLE (Ashland, Boone Co. MO) on January 13, 1902:

"J. H. Atkins (notice "Atkins"), 69, died at his home near Boydsville. Father of J. W. Atkins of Ashland, in Florida for the winter."

Note: John also left one daughter, Sarah Frances Adkins Douglas, wife of Peter Douglas. The three grandchildren living, were John Franklin Douglas, Ada Belle (Mrs. Marvin Sampson), and Leona L. (Mrs. Robert J. Clatterbuck). It appears that John H.'s son, James Walter Adkins, never had children by his marriage to Annie B. Hall.

Other resources of information, on dates and locale, came from the Adkins and Douglas Family Bible records; and the Missouri State Archives in Jefferson City, Missouri. The original page from the Family Bible, is in the possession of Jeanne Carolyn (Fyfe) Crutchfield, Louisville, Kentucky. Jeanne is the half sister of Linda L. (Grow) Siekman of Beavercreek, OH.

More About JOHN HENRY ADKINS:

Baptism: November 03, 1898, Miller's Creek Methodist Episcopal Church, Boydsville, Callaway County, Missouri, by the Rev. E. Todd

Burial: January 09, 1902, Miller's Creek Cemetery, Boydsville, Callaway Co., MO

Cause of Death: Pneumonia

Census: 1880, Ashland, Cedar Township, Boone County, Missouri

Estate: Box #204, Bundle #12, Callaway County Courthouse, Fulton, MO

Medical Information: John H. Adkins had developed pneumonia around the 1st of January.

Occupation: Farmer

Probate: Filed at the Callaway County Courthouse, Fulton, Missouri

Religion: 1898, John H. and Elizabeth "Sallie" became members of the Miller's Creek Methodist Church in Callaway County, MO, after moving back to Boydsville, Callaway County, Missouri.

Notes for ELIZABETH "BETSY" MILDRED LEFTWICH:

Elizabeth was given the names of both her maternal and paternal grandmothers,.....hence, "Elizabeth Mildred" Leftwich.

Elizabeth Mildred Leftwich, wife of John H. Adkins, outlived her second husband, E. W. Keith. After the death of Mr. Keith, she was married for the third time...to Mr. Samuel Henry Smith. She lived to be 88 years old.

ASHLAND BUGLE NEWSPAPER, Ashland, Boone County, Missouri....Obituary, October (after the 16th) 1920

ELIZABETH MILDRED SMITH

"Mrs. Elizabeth Mildred Smith, 87 years old, wife of S. Henry Smith, died at her home in Ashland, Wednesday, October 13, 1920, at 8:30 p. m. Death followed an illness covering a period of more than two months. Funeral services, conducted by the Rev. George T. Rolston, were held at Miller's Creek Church, Saturday, October 16, at 2 p. m. Deceased was born and raised in Virginia, coming to Missouri in 1858. She is survived by husband and one son, J. W. Adkins, of Ashland. She was a life-long member of the Methodist Church. During her residence in Ashland, Mrs. Smith, by her fine qualities of heart and soul, endeared herself to a wide circle of friends, who learned with sincere regret of her passing."

(NOTE: Samuel H. Smith had Elizabeth buried next to her first husband, John H. Adkins, in the Miller's Creek Cemetery located directly behind the Miller's Creek Methodist Church, two miles north of Boydsville, in Callaway County, Missouri.)

More About ELIZABETH "BETSY" MILDRED LEFTWICH:

Baptism: November 03, 1898, Miller's Creek Methodist Church, Boydsville, Callaway County, Missouri, by the Rev. E. Todd

Burial: October 1920, Miller's Creek Cemetery, Boydsville, Callaway Co., MO

Religion: 1876, According to the History of the Smith Chapel (Methodist Church), Cedar Township, Boone

Co., MO, Elizabeth was a Charter Member.

Marriage Notes for JOHN ADKINS and ELIZABETH LEFTWICH:

Marriage record found in MARRIAGE BONDS OF FRANKLIN COUNTY, VIRGINIA 1786-1858, page 17, by Marshall Wingfield.

More About JOHN ADKINS and ELIZABETH LEFTWICH:

Marriage: November 24, 1853, Hales Ford, Franklin County, Virginia

- ii. JAMES MEADOR ADKINS, b. October 27, 1831, Hales Ford, Franklin County, Virginia; d. June 11, 1918, Rush Springs, Grady County, Oklahoma; m. (1) SARAH ELIZABETH POWELL CRAIGHEAD, February 20, 1856, Boydsville, Callaway County, Missouri; b. August 30, 1836, Callaway County, Missouri; d. March 04, 1896, Bailey, Grady County, Oklahoma; m. (2) BETTIE WHITE, Aft. 1898, Rush Springs, Indian Territory, Oklahoma.

Notes for JAMES MEADOR ADKINS:

James Meador Adkins moved to Callaway County, Missouri in October 1854, three years before his parents John A. and Susannah (Meador) Adkins.

James Meador Adkins was a Civil War veteran from Wise County, Texas. He was a member of Captain Edward Blythes militia company; also a member of that company was Edward Fullingim, whose son, Wesley, later became the husband of Jame's daughter. Kate.

NOTE: References on James Meador Adkins and his descendants....all information regarding the descendants of James Meador Adkins have kindly been shared by Judy Robinson, Arvil Stephens, and Cathy Kingcade. There is additional information that has not been recorded which is in possession of the above descendants, and in the files of Linda Siekman.

More About JAMES MEADOR ADKINS:

Burial: Abt. June 13, 1918, Bailey Cemetery, Bailey, Grady County, Oklahoma

Census: 1880, District 6, Montague Co., Texas; Page 24 (470D), Image 24 of 38; E. D. 124; James Meador Adkins, wife Sarah E., children...Manerva, John J., Mary E., James S., William R., Charles B., Sally J., Missouri C., Oschar (Oscar) M., Walter M.

Notes for SARAH ELIZABETH POWELL CRAIGHEAD:

Sarah's family was of Scottish ancestry. They first settled at Baltimore, Maryland, then moved to Kentucky, then to Fulton, Missouri.

More About SARAH ELIZABETH POWELL CRAIGHEAD:

Burial: Abt. March 06, 1896, Bailey Cemetery, Bailey, Grady County, Oklahoma

More About JAMES ADKINS and SARAH CRAIGHEAD:

Marriage: February 20, 1856, Boydsville, Callaway County, Missouri

Married by: February 20, 1856, Rev. H. H. Dodd, Miller's Creek Methodist Church, Boydsville, Callaway County, Missouri

More About JAMES ADKINS and BETTIE WHITE:

Marriage: Aft. 1898, Rush Springs, Indian Territory, Oklahoma

- iii. MARY JANE ADKINS, b. April 07, 1836, Hales Ford, Franklin County, Virginia; d. August 08, 1912, Boydsville, Callaway County, Missouri (77 years old); m. (1) HUGH L. W. RICHARDSON, January 18, 1858, Marriage Book C, Page 32, Callaway County, Missouri; b. 1835, Franklin Co., Virginia; d. February 15, 1874, Cedar Township, Boone County, Missouri; date of death determined from engraved date of death on tombstone at Miller's Creek Cemetery in Callaway, Co., MO.; m. (2) ABEL C. HINSHAW, July 31, 1882, Boone County, Missouri; b. February 10, 1842, Probably Clinton County, Ohio; d. November 28, 1892, Boone County, Missouri (50 yrs. 9 mos. 18 days).

More About MARY JANE ADKINS:

Burial: Abt. August 10, 1912, Miller's Creek Cemetery, Callaway County, Missouri

Census: 1880, Cedar Township, Boone County, Missouri; Page 65A; Mary Jane Adkins widowed, 44 yrs; Joseph A., 19 yrs; John T., 15 yrs; Charles W., 12 yrs; Robert Lee, 10 yrs.

More About HUGH L. W. RICHARDSON:

Burial: Abt. February 16, 1874, Miller's Creek Cemetery, Callaway County, Missouri

Census: 1870, Cedar Twp., Boone County, Missouri; page 98, image 98 of 126; Hugh L. Richardson, 34 yrs; Mary Jane, 34 yrs; William, 11 yrs; Joseph, 10 yrs; John T., 7 yrs; Charles W., 4 yrs; Robert L., 1 yr. old

More About HUGH RICHARDSON and MARY ADKINS:
Marriage: January 18, 1858, Marriage Book C, Page 32, Callaway County, Missouri

More About ABEL C. HINSHAW:
Burial: Goshen Cemetery, behind Hoshen Primitive Baptist Church, near Wilton, Boone Co., Missouri

More About ABEL HINSHAW and MARY ADKINS:
Marriage: July 31, 1882, Boone County, Missouri

- iv. LUCY C. ADKINS, b. March 03, 1837, Big Lick, Franklin County, Virginia. Big Lick later became renamed Roanoke as the town grew and became a sizable city in the late 1880's.; d. February 23, 1916, Callaway County, Missouri; m. MILLANDER (MALINDA) RICHARDSON, December 06, 1860, Fulton, Callaway County, Missouri; b. 1838, Franklin Co., Virginia; d. September 30, 1876, Callaway County, Missouri.

More About LUCY C. ADKINS:
Burial: Fairview Cemetery, Calwood, Callaway County, Missouri
Census: 1880, Calwood Township, Callaway Co., MO; Page 18, Image 18 of 28; E. D. 25; Lucy (widow), 42 yrs. old, sons....Seth, Jeffrey, Pefhrey (Laborer).
Occupation: Keeping House

Notes for MILLANDER (MALINDA) RICHARDSON:
In the 1860 Federal Census for Missouri...Round Prairie Township, Callaway County, Millander Richardson is shown living with his wife Lucy C. Adkins, at the home of her parents, John A. Adkins and Susan Meador. According to the census, Millander is shown to have been born in 1838, in Missouri. He is also shown to be a farm laborer for his father-in-law.

More About MILLANDER (MALINDA) RICHARDSON:
Burial: Callaway County, Missouri
Census: 1870, Nine Mile Prairie Township, Reedsville Post Office, Callaway County, Missouri, Page 38 & 39, Images 378 & 379 of 495, Roll M593_764. Millander, Lucy, Susan Harriet, Seth, and Jeff.
Occupation: Farm Laborer for his father-in-law (1860 Missouri Census)

More About MILLANDER RICHARDSON and LUCY ADKINS:
Marriage: December 06, 1860, Fulton, Callaway County, Missouri

- v. JOSEPH HARRISON ADKINS, b. August 1840, Hales Ford, Franklin County, Virginia; d. November 25, 1925, Arkansas City, Kansas; m. (1) MARY JANE DILLON, January 15, 1863, Callaway County, Missouri; b. 1842, Franklin County, Virginia; d. Abt. 1894, Callaway County, Missouri (died young and Joseph remarried and settled in Arkansas City, Kansas).; m. (2) SARAH, Aft. 1894; m. (3) OCTAVIA, Aft. 1896.

Notes for JOSEPH HARRISON ADKINS:
Information on Joseph Harrison Adkins/Atkins was gleaned from his g.g.g.grandson, Glen Bernard. At some point, Joseph changed the spelling of his last name to "Atkins". Joseph arrived in Callaway County by 1857, with his parents and married Mary Jane Dillion.

According to notes by Glen Bernard: "Joseph was a potato farmer and lived east of Fort Smith on the "Atkins" Highway" which leads to Atkins, Arkansas. It is not known if the town's name is affiliated with his lineage. He was a widower when he died while living in or near Arkansas City, Kansas."

After his wife Mary Jane Dillion died, Joseph Harrison Atkins remarried and fathered two more daughters, Roseanna and Alpha. He became widowed once again, remarrying for the third time and fathering two sons and one more daughter.

NOTE: For further information on Joseph Harrison Atkins and his family, refer to the Ancestry Report from Glen Bernard, a copy which is in possession of Linda Siekman. All information shown for the descendants of Joseph Harrison Atkins have been taken and credited to Glen's notes, of which he has given Linda Siekman the permission to use for her own personal use in recording the ADINS/ATKINS Family History.

LAND DEED, dated July 8, 1865, obtained by Linda Grow Siekman at the Callaway County Courthouse in Fulton, Missouri, June 11, 2002.

"Know all men by those present that we Joseph H. Adkins and Mary J. Adkins, the wife of Joseph H. Adkins of the County of Callaway in the State of Missouri have this day for and in consideration of the sum of six

hundred (600) dollars to the said Joseph Adkins in hand paid by John A. Comer of the County of Callaway in the State of Missouri granted, bargained and sold and by those present do grant, bargain and sell unto the said John A. Comer the following discribed tract or parcel of land situated in the County of Callaway in the State of Missouri that is to say the North east quarter of section twenty six (26) Township forty seven (47) RAnge No. 11 inst. to have and hold the premise hereby conveyed with all the right and privilege and appurtances thereto belonging or in any _____ belonging unto the said John A. Comer his heirs and assigns forever, upon this express condition whereas the said Joseph H. Adkins on the eighth day of July 1865, made executed and delivered to the said John A. Comer his certain promisory not in words and figures following to wit \$600.00 one day after date I promise to pay to John A. Comer Six hundred dollars for value received with ____ per and interest from date till paid this the 8th day of July 1865, witness my hand and seal, T. H. Duding, witness. Joseph H. Adkins (seal)"

1870 Federal Census for Round Prairie Township, Callaway County, Missouri, page 28, taken August 16, 1870: Adkins, Joseph H., 26, M, W, Laborer Rail Road, VA; Adkins, Mary J. 28, F, W, Keeping House, VA; Lucy Ann, 7, F, W, MO; Henry Harrison, 6, M, W, MO; Martha, 5, F, W, MO; Mary Alice, 1, F, W, MO. (NOTE: Joseph Harrison Adkins and his family were living next door to his parents, John A. and Susan Adkins.)

More About JOSEPH HARRISON ADKINS:

Burial: 1925, Springside Cemetery, just east of Arkansas City, Kansas

Occupation: Laborer for the Rail Road

More About JOSEPH ADKINS and MARY DILLON:

Marriage: January 15, 1863, Callaway County, Missouri

More About JOSEPH ADKINS and SARAH:

Marriage: Aft. 1894

More About JOSEPH ADKINS and OCTAVIA:

Marriage: Aft. 1896

- vi. NANCY E. ADKINS, b. May 27, 1843, Hales Ford, Franklin County, Virginia; m. (1) UNKNOWN BOGGES, April 18, 1860, Fulton, Callaway County, Missouri; d. 1875; m. (2) BUTTON BELL, Aft. 1875, Callaway County, Missouri; m. (3) THOMAS B. HAYS, July 15, 1883, Boone County, Missouri.

More About NANCY E. ADKINS:

Census: 1880, Calwood Township, Callaway Co., MO; Page 17 (473), Image 17 of 28, E.D. 25; Nancy (Widow), daughters...Eliza, Pamella.

More About UNKNOWN BOGGES and NANCY ADKINS:

Marriage: April 18, 1860, Fulton, Callaway County, Missouri

More About BUTTON BELL and NANCY ADKINS:

Marriage: Aft. 1875, Callaway County, Missouri

More About THOMAS HAYS and NANCY ADKINS:

Marriage: July 15, 1883, Boone County, Missouri

- vii. SUSAN (A.) E. F. ADKINS, b. 1846, Hales Ford, Franklin County, Virginia; d. Bef. November 1929, Callaway County, Missouri; m. WILLIAM HENRY (BOGUS) BOGGESE, March 11, 1862, Fulton, Callaway County, Missouri; b. May 27, 1839, Calwood Township, Callaway County, Missouri; d. January 03, 1907, Callaway County, Missouri.

More About SUSAN (A.) E. F. ADKINS:

Burial: Fairview Cemetery, Callaway Co., Missouri

More About WILLIAM HENRY (BOGUS) BOGGESE:

Burial: Fairview Cemetery, Callaway Co., Missouri

Census: 1880, Calwood Township, Callaway Co., MO; Page 1 (465); Image 1 of 28; Enumeration Dist. 25; William H., Susan E. (Adkins), Martha J., Frances F., Susan W., Henry D., Mary C.

Occupation: Farmer

Residence: Family settled in Calwood, Callaway County, Missouri

More About WILLIAM BOGGESE and SUSAN ADKINS:

Marriage: March 11, 1862, Fulton, Callaway County, Missouri

- viii. MARTHA M. ADKINS, b. 1848, Hales Ford, Franklin County, Virginia.
- ix. SARAH "SALLIE" A. ADKINS, b. 1849, Hales Ford, Franklin County, Virginia; m. BENJAMIN (S.) M. LINN, March 06, 1868, Callaway County, Missouri [Callaway Co., MO Marriage Records, Fulton, MO]; b. 1844, Missouri.

More About SARAH "SALLIE" A. ADKINS:

Census: 1880, Cedar Township, Boone Co., MO; Page 31 (68), E.D. 12; Benjamin, Sarah Adkins (wife), Clarence, Cora B., Willie, Ada, Minnie T.

Notes for BENJAMIN (S.) M. LINN:

Benjamin and Sarah "Sally" (Adkins), and their one year old son Clarence Linn, are shown in the 1870 Missouri Census for Round Prairie Township, Callaway County, living in the home of Sally's parents, John A. and Susan (Meador) Adkins. Benjamin is shown as a farm laborer for his father-in-law.

More About BENJAMIN LINN and SARAH ADKINS:

Marriage: March 06, 1868, Callaway County, Missouri [Callaway Co., MO Marriage Records, Fulton, MO]

- x. CHARLES B. "CHARLIE" ADKINS, b. Abt. 1853, Hales Ford, Franklin County, Virginia; d. February 03, 1933, Cedar Township, Boone County, Missouri (age 79 yrs., 3 mos.); m. (1) MARY JANE HENDRIX, December 29, 1875, Boone County, Missouri; b. Abt. 1858; d. September 23, 1883, Callaway County, Missouri (age 25 yrs., 7 mos., 12 days); m. (2) CATHARINE E. THOMAS, November 30, 1884, Boone County, Missouri.

Notes for CHARLES B. "CHARLIE" ADKINS:

Records for Charles B. Adkins are misleading as he is also shown as having been born in Virginia in 1851, and as late as 1853. Yet according to the 1850 Missouri Census for Callaway County, MO, Charles was born in 1853 in Callaway County, MO.

According to Arvil D. Stephens, Charles "Charlie" B. Adkins was married at least four times to three women, and had the "ill will" of his brothers and sisters. Charlie had four children. We know that his first wife died young and was buried with her infant, born in August, who died a few days later. In addition to Charles' first wife, Mary Jane (who died young on September 23, 1883, a month following the birth of their only child and son...Arthur), he was also married to Catherine E. Thomas in 1884.

OBITUARY, FULTON GAZETTE, Fulton, Callaway County, Missouri, dated April 9, 1915....

"Mrs. Charles B. Atkins, about 40 years old, died at the Fulton State Hospital, Saturday (April 2, 1915), and was buried Sunday afternoon in the new city cemetery. Served by the Rev. J. A. Taylor of the Baptist Church. Mrs. Atkins became a patient a few weeks ago. She is survived by her husband, two sons, and one daughter. Children are Henry, Fred, and Ethel Ridgel." (NOTE: The "new city cemetery" is named "Hillcrest Cemetery", and is located just east of the Missouri School for the Deaf and adjacent to the Fulton State Hospital. I do not know if this particular Mrs. Atkins is Catherine E. Thomas, the second wife of Charley Atkins, or a third wife.)

More About CHARLES B. "CHARLIE" ADKINS:

Burial: 1933, Miller's Creek Cemetery, Boydsville, Callaway Co., MO.

Census: 1930, Cedar Township, Boone Co., MO, Page 4B, E.D.#7; Image 8 of 16, Roll # MOT626_1176-1120; Charles B. Atkins (widowed) is 77 yrs. old & living with William (son-in-law) & daughter Ella Coons
Occupation: Laborer

Notes for MARY JANE HENDRIX:

Mary, wife of Charles B. Adkins, died at 25 year old (as a result from giving childbirth) on September 23, 1883. Their infant son died at 1 1/2 months old, on Sept. 28th, 1883 (five days later). In early years, infants could not survive without their mother's milk. They would end up starving, unless a surrogate mother, who was nursing her own, could take over.

More About MARY JANE HENDRIX:

Burial: Abt. September 26, 1883, Miller's Creek Cemetery, Callaway Co., MO

More About CHARLES ADKINS and MARY HENDRIX:

Marriage: December 29, 1875, Boone County, Missouri

More About CHARLES ADKINS and CATHARINE THOMAS:

Marriage: November 30, 1884, Boone County, Missouri

4. PLEASANT⁵ ADKINS (*JOHN M.⁴, AMOS³, JOHN (ADKINS)² ATKINSON, AMOS¹ ATKINS*) was born Abt. 1798. He married MARY "POLLY" FREEMAN February 28, 1825 in Franklin County, Virginia, daughter of WILLIAM FREEMAN and SARAH PARKER.

Notes for PLEASANT ADKINS:

"Pleasant Adkins/Atkins and Polly Freeman were married in Franklin County, VA in 1825. Their first 2 or 3 children were born in Virginia. In 1828, Polly's father, William Freeman, moved to Lawrence County, OH. In 1832, Pleasant and Polly followed followed her father to Lawrence County, Ohio. They must have had a brief time in Kentucky because one of their children was born there. One of their sons was Alfred Pleasant Adkins, who later changed his name around and in all of the later records, he was listed as Pleasant Atkins. He was my g.grandfather. Now this gets complicated. Pleasant, son of Pleasant Adkins, and his wife Pricey Elswick were the parents of my grandmother, Viola Adkins. Viola married Henry Adkins. As I remember when I was a child, that information was always followed by, "They WEREN'T related!" I am about to think that they did protest too much, although I believe that my father really believed that. I never did know my grandparents. I only have circumstantial evidence for the rest of this but Pleasant and Polly also had a son, John, about whom we have no more information. But he was the same age as the John who was the father of my grandfather Henry. That John lived in the next township to Polly and the rest of the family in Lawrence County, OH, in the 1850 census. By that time, Pleasant #1 was dead. Are you following this? Yes, I think that it is a good possibility that my grandparents were first cousins. My husband thinks that that might explain a lot. Ha!" (Deloris Schwarz)

(All information on Pleasant and Polly Adkins and their descendants, furnished by Deloris Schwarz of Marysville, Kansas, Sept. 25, 2000, and Russell L. Adkins, a descendant of Pleasant and Mary Adkins.)

Marriage Notes for PLEASANT ADKINS and MARY FREEMAN:
Marriage bond from Franklin Co., VA.

More About PLEASANT ADKINS and MARY FREEMAN:
Marriage: February 28, 1825, Franklin County, Virginia

Children of PLEASANT ADKINS and MARY FREEMAN are:

- i. GEORGE⁶ ADKINS, b. May 02, 1826, Bedford County, Virginia; d. November 11, 1873, Fayette Twp., Lawrence County, Ohio (47 years old); m. ELIZABETH MILLER, August 20, 1851.

More About GEORGE ADKINS and ELIZABETH MILLER:
Marriage: August 20, 1851

- ii. JOHN ADKINS, b. 1828, Virginia.
- iii. SARAH JANE ADKINS, b. 1829, Kentucky.

Notes for SARAH JANE ADKINS:
Birth date and place of birth taken from the 1850 Lawrence Co., Fayette Twp., Ohio Census. (Information supplied by Deloris Schwarz of Marysville, KS.

- iv. WILLIAM ADKINS, b. September 05, 1831, Ohio; m. MARY HATCHER, Unknown, Ohio.

More About WILLIAM ADKINS and MARY HATCHER:
Marriage: Unknown, Ohio

- v. PLEASANT ALFRED ADKINS, b. September 24, 1835, Ohio; m. PRICIE ELSWICK.

Notes for PLEASANT ALFRED ADKINS:
According to Deloris Schwarz, Pleasant Adkins...the son of Pleasant Adkins and Polly Freeman, was named Alfred Pleasant at birth. In the 1850 census, his mother listed him as P. A. and he continued to use the name "Pleasant A." as an adult.

- vi. MARY ELIZABETH ADKINS, b. 1843, Ohio.

Notes for MARY ELIZABETH ADKINS:

Birthdate and place of birth taken from the 1850 Lawrence Co., Fayette Twp., Ohio Census. (Deloris Schwarz).

5. JAMES⁵ ADKINS (*JOHN M.⁴, AMOS³, JOHN (ADKINS)² ATKINSON, AMOS¹ ATKINS*) was born 1800 in Halifax County, Virginia. He married MARY BURNETT Bef. 1827. She was born 1810 in Virginia.

More About JAMES ADKINS and MARY BURNETT:
Marriage: Bef. 1827

Children of JAMES ADKINS and MARY BURNETT are:

- i. FRANCES⁶ ADKINS, b. 1827.
- ii. MARY J. ADKINS, b. 1829.
- iii. ROBERT ADKINS, b. 1834.
- iv. MARGARET ADKINS, b. 1836.
- v. WILLIAM ADKINS, b. 1837.
- vi. PETER H. ADKINS, b. 1840.

6. JOSEPH (JOE) (ATKINS)⁵ ADKINS (*JOHN M.⁴, AMOS³, JOHN (ADKINS)² ATKINSON, AMOS¹ ATKINS*) was born 1812 in (Most likely Halifax County) Virginia, and died Abt. 1910 in Virginia, (99 years old). He married ELIZABETH (LUCY?) "BETSY" GILLASPIE November 25, 1833 in Franklin County, Virginia, daughter of EVAN GILLASPIE and NANCY FRAZIER. She was born 1812 in Virginia, and died Abt. 1908 in Virginia, (97 years old).

Notes for JOSEPH (JOE) (ATKINS) ADKINS:
Marriage Bond listed in the...MARRIAGE BONDS OF FRANKLIN COUNTY, VIRGINIA, 1786-1858, by Marshall Wingfield, a native son of Franklin County, WEST TENNESSEE HISTORICAL SOCIETY, Memphis, Tennessee.

More About JOSEPH (JOE) (ATKINS) ADKINS:
Census: 1850, Franklin County, Virginia, shows Joseph, Elizabeth and nine children
Occupation: Farmer

Marriage Notes for JOSEPH ADKINS and ELIZABETH GILLASPIE:
Reference:

MARRIAGE BONDS OF FRANKLIN COUNTY, VIRGINIA, 1786 - 1858, page 17, by Marshall Wingfield, West Tennessee Historical Society, 246 South Watkins Street, Memphis, Tennessee.

"Adkins, Joseph and Elizabeth Galaspie, dau. Evan, Nov. 25, 1833. Sur. Evan Galaspy. 48."

More About JOSEPH ADKINS and ELIZABETH GILLASPIE:
Marriage: November 25, 1833, Franklin County, Virginia

Children of JOSEPH ADKINS and ELIZABETH GILLASPIE are:

- i. NANCY J. F.⁶ ADKINS, b. 1833.
- ii. EVAN WASHINGTON (ADKINS) ATKINS, b. March 1837, Franklin County, Virginia; d. July 04, 1916, Franklin County, Virginia; m. LUCY JANE (PATESELL) PATSEL, January 29, 1863; b. December 06, 1836, Franklin County, Virginia; d. Roanoke, Roanoke County, Virginia.

Notes for EVAN WASHINGTON (ADKINS) ATKINS:
Information on Evan Washington Adkins and Lucy Elizabeth "Betsy" Gillaspie, is furnished by their g.g.grandson, Steve Hunter.

Evan Adkins/Atkins was a teamster during the Civil War (Steve Hunter, descendant).

According to information below, compiled by Steve's cousin, Hubert G. Hunley (GGS, 1326):

Private Evan Washington Atkins was born in 1837 in Franklin County, Virginia, to Joe Atkins and Betsy (Gillaspie/Glaspy) Atkins. He enlisted in the service on July 1, 1861, in Salem, Virginia and served in Company D, 5th Regiment, Virginia Cavalry, as a teamster. He led a cattle drive from Waynesboro, Virginia,

to Liberty Mills, Virginia on November 17th through the 22nd, 1863, and was paid \$9.00 for rations by order of Major General Fitz Lee, a relative. On August 16, 1863, he was paid \$500.00 for a horse killed in action and the order was signed at Orange County Court House by Captain W. W. Wilson, Company C, 5th VA Cavalry. He was captured at Aldie, Virginia, and sent to Old Capitol Prison, Washington D.C., and was paroled on June 2, 1863. His name appears on Muster Roll of exchange of prisoners for May and June of 1863. He was marked "present" and paid up to April 30, 1863. He received an honorable discharge at the end of the war. After the war, he became a farmer and a land owner. He sold off most of his real estate and became a country store owner and appeared in Sons of Confederate Veterans Ancestor Album.

More About EVAN WASHINGTON (ADKINS) ATKINS:

Military service: Bet. 1861 - 1863, Civil War; Served in the 5th VA Cavalry (history furnished by Stephen Hunter, descendant of Evan W. Atkins)

More About EVAN ATKINS and LUCY PATSEL:

Marriage: January 29, 1863

- iii. JOHN JOSEPH ATKINS, b. January 19, 1840, Franklin County, Virginia (near Roanoke); d. May 28, 1933, Millersburg, Callaway County, Missouri; m. SUSAN "ALICE" WOOD, December 08, 1873, Callaway County, Missouri; b. June 25, 1857, Carrington, Callaway County, Missouri; d. November 22, 1907, Millersburg, Callaway County, Missouri.

Notes for JOHN JOSEPH ATKINS:

Resource for below: A HISTORY OF CALLAWAY COUNTY, MISSOURI, 1984, Compiled and Published by THE KINGDOM OF CALLAWAY HISTORICAL SOCIETY, Fulton, Missouri, 1983, pages 266-267.

"John and Susan were married in Callaway County and lived all their married lives on a 40 acre farm near Millersburg, where their seventeen children were born. They belonged to the Miller's Creek Methodist Church, where both are buried. After Susan died in 1907, he made his home among his children.

John Atkins lived to be 94 years old; not one of his children remember seeing him without his long white beard, which aided him the many years he served as Santa Claus at J. C. Penney Store in Columbia.

He served throughout the Civil War in the Fifth Virginia Cavalry, Lomax Brigade. he fought in twenty-two battles. After the war, John, with some of his comrades, reached the conclusion that the people of Virginia were "sorely pressed" and they decided to go west and start over.

Mr. Atkins loved to tell the story of the time he won a range which was offered as a prize for the largest family brought to the fairgrounds on "Big Thursday" at the Centralia Fair. Earl Morris of Columbia loaded his twelve children on a hay frame, and when he drove onto the fairgrounds he was cheered by friends who were sure he would win the range. They did not know that early that morning John J. Atkins had left Millersburg with seventeen youngsters in a wagon which bulged with vibrating humanity. On seeing Mr. Atkins, Mr. Morris threw up his hands and said, "You win the range, Mr. Atkins," and he did!"

According to the ASHLAND BUGLE, September 24, 1931 (Ashland, Boone Co., MO)

OLD SOLDIERS IN GABFEST

J. J. Atkins, 92, and W. E. Jones, 91,
Next Birthdays, Swap Army Ex-
perience ---- Both Confederates.

"J. J. Atkins, of Deer Park neighborhood, accompanied by Judge J. Sam Pauley, spent last Monday afternoon with W. E. Jones, northwest of Ashland. Mr. Atkins will be 92 years old his next birthday, Mr. Jones 91. Both served in the Confederate armies during the war between the States, about which there was much conversation and swapping of experiences. Mr. Atkins, who soldiered under General J. E. B. (Jeb) Stuart, was in 22 battles, escaping without a scratch, he said. Just how many battles Mr. Jones was in we have forgotten, if he ever told us, but we betcha he was right on the dot where any scrapping was going on. "Only a few of us old Confederate soldiers are left," Mr. Atkins said while visiting with the Bugle for a short time Monday evening."

OBITUARY FOR JOHN JOSEPH ATKINS (Columbia, MO,...Newspaper?...copy of obituary furnished to Linda Siekman by Sarah Adkins Wyatt of Fulton, MO....descendant of Henry Adkins of Boydsville, MO, in Callaway County)

JOHN J. ATKINS DIED YESTERDAY

Columbia's Santa Claus Succumbs at Home After Short Illness

" John J. Atkins, 93-year-old Civil War veteran, better known as Columbia's Santa Claus, died yesterday afternoon at 4:15 o'clock after a short illness at the home of his daughter, Mrs. W. E. Boswell, 1105 Locust Street.

Funeral services will be held at 2 o'clock tomorrow afternoon at Miller's Creek Church, and burial will be in the church cemetery. The Rev. M. F. Berry will be in charge. Mr. Atkins' body will be at the Willet Funeral Home until 1 o'clock Sunday afternoon.

For the last five years Mr. Atkins has made his home in Columbia with his three daughters who live here, and has acted as Santa Claus for the J. C. Penney Store. During the five Christmas seasons, he has received many letters from Columbia children. Some of the letters he saved and received much enjoyment from rereading the notes from the children who were sure that he was the real Santa Claus.

Not one of Mr. Atkins' children had ever known their father without the long, white beard, which aided him in being a jolly Santa Claus.

Mr. Atkins was born in Franklin County, Virginia, Jan. 19, 1840. He served in the Civil War under General J. E. B. Stuart, and was one of the men who helped carry "Stonewall" Jackson from the road where he was shot down in the dusk by his own men after the battle of Chancellorsville.

At the close of the war, he came to Missouri with other Virginians who were seeking a place to make a new start in life. He was married to Miss Alice Wood at Carrington, MO, Dec. 8, 1873. They bought a farm southeast of Columbia, near Millersburg (Callaway County), where they reared a family of seventeen children, thirteen of whom are living. After the death of Mrs. Atkins in 1907, Mr. Atkins made his home with his children. He was one of ten children. His father Joseph Atkins, died when he was 99 years old, and his mother, Elizabeth Gilaspie Atkins, when she was 97 years old.

The thirteen children who survive their father are: Mrs. C. B. Reid, 505 Lyons Street; Mrs. Robert Mansfield, 7 Greenwood Avenue, and Mrs. Boswell, of Columbia; Elvim Atkins, Ottie Atkins, Ardray Atkins, and Samuel Atkins, of Millersburg; Mrs. Frank Lyle, Mrs. Luther Todd and Walter Atkins, of Deer Park; Mrs. W. O. Miller and Evim Atkins of Seminole, Oklahoma; and Mrs. C. A. Kerfoot of Tuscon, Arizona. All of the children were with their father, except Mrs. kerfoot, who was unable to come.

He is also survived by twenty-seven grandchildren and six great-grandchildren."

More About JOHN JOSEPH ATKINS:

Baptism: September 04, 1893, Miller's Creek Methodist Episcopal Church, Boydsville, Callaway County, Missouri, by the Rev. A. S. Sherman

Burial: Abt. May 30, 1933, Miller's Creek Cemetery, Callaway County, Missouri (93 yrs., 4 mos., 7 days)

More About SUSAN "ALICE" WOOD:

Baptism: September 04, 1893, Miller's Creek Methodist Episcopal Church, Boydsville, Callaway County, Missouri, by the Rev. A. S. Sherman

Burial: Abt. November 24, 1907, Miller's Creek Cemetery, Callaway County, Missouri

More About JOHN ATKINS and SUSAN WOOD:

Marriage: December 08, 1873, Callaway County, Missouri

- iv. JEHU JAKE PLEASANT ADKINS, b. Unknown.
- v. WILLIAM NORMAN ADKINS, b. 1842.
- vi. EMELINE ANN ADKINS, b. 1844.
- vii. JOSEPH M. ADKINS, b. 1846.
- viii. ZAKARIAH CREED ADKINS, b. 1848.
- ix. MARTHA ADKINS, d. Died in childhood.

More About MARTHA ADKINS:

Burial: Gillaspie - Atkins Cemetery, Franklin Co. VA

- x. ELIZABETH ADKINS, d. Died in childhood.

More About ELIZABETH ADKINS:

Burial: Gillaspie - Atkins Cemetery, Franklin Co. VA

- xi. UNKNOWN ADKINS, d. Died soon after birth (gender unknown).

More About UNKNOWN ADKINS:

Burial: Gillaspie - Atkins Cemetery, Franklin Co., VA

7. DICY⁵ ADKINS (*JOHN M.*⁴, *AMOS*³, *JOHN (ADKINS)*² *ATKINSON*, *AMOS*¹ *ATKINS*) was born Abt. 1819 in Franklin County, Virginia (30 yrs. old in 1850 US Census). She married EVAN (IVAN) (JR.) (GALLASPY) GILLASPIE November 03, 1834 in Franklin County, Virginia, son of EVAN GILLASPIE and NANCY FRAZIER. He was born Abt. 1802 in Franklin County, Virginia (48 yrs. old in 1850 US Census).

More About EVAN (IVAN) (JR.) (GALLASPY) GILLASPIE:

Census: 1850, October 31st, Unknown Township, Franklin Co., VA; page 139, Image 277, Roll M432_944.

More About EVAN GILLASPIE and DICY ADKINS:

Marriage: November 03, 1834, Franklin County, Virginia

Children of DICY ADKINS and EVAN GILLASPIE are:

- i. WILEY⁶ GILLASPIE, b. 1840, Franklin County, Virginia.
- ii. JOSEPH GILLASPIE, b. 1842, Franklin County, Virginia.
- iii. JAMES GILLASPIE, b. 1844, Franklin County, Virginia.
- iv. SARAH GILLASPIE, b. 1846, Franklin County, Virginia.
- v. MARY GILLASPIE, b. 1848, Franklin County, Virginia.