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It has been my hope to write many of you personally, but I just haven't had the time to do so. Someday I will.

One of my goals for the summer is to visit family in Alabama and South Carolina. My father's mother is not well and I would like to visit her in Birmingham. Her sister lives in Greenwood, South Carolina and while there I would like to hop around the old Milam "stomping ground" in Laurens. So I'm hoping that while I am in that part of the country I might get a chance to meet those of you who live there. But at this point I'm just hoping, nothing is set yet.

As I recall, there is an annual Milam family reunion held in Alabama for the descendants of John Milam, Jr. the Revolutionary Soldier. This is the John in this issues THREE GENERATION column. I would like to know the details since I might be able to attend. I hope I can even though I am not a descendant.

from "ALABAMA RECORDS"
Vol. 82 Madison County
Queries

Mrs. T.M. Milam Ft. Stocton, TX Oct. 23, 1935

From Dadeville Court Records:

Wm. Richardson, wife Mary Milam November 30, 1866. (We believe this Polly and she could have been named for the grandmother Polly Allison, if she was the grandmother. Benj. M's wife was living 1866 because Sally Milam remembered going back to Alabama on a visit to her family and her two grandmothers gave her a dress. She was born 1869.)

Thomas J. Milam married Sarah Wright 1852

Jourdan Milam willed to his wife Elizabeth land and stock 1855.

Did not mention children's names.

John H., wife Alley Wade 1882

John F. Mission Richardson 1874

Dewey M. Milam and Susan Pace 1867

W. H. Milam m. 1891, W. M. in 1880, James m. in 1874, Wm. H. in 1869

D. M. in 1865

Thomas Monroe Milam b. 1875, Texas, son of James Lafayette Milam b. 1833, son of Benj. Milam, son of John. Benj. b. ca. 1795, moved from SC to Blount Springs, AL (this from Laurens, SC)

He was son of John and his 1st wife who d. in Laurens, SC prior to 1813.

Benj. M... and d... had James Lafayette 1833-1916; in 1854 m. Martha Ann Dunn of Daviston or Anniston, AL (half-sister of one Dadeville say his wife who was a Roberts remembers her great uncle spoke often of Monroe Milam in Civil War -- that he m. a Roberts, sister of George Roberts.)

Harrison

William

John -- living in B'Ham 1916

Caroline, Mrs. Lewis

Elizabeth (Betty Hall)

Polly (Mrs. Richardson)

Lucinda (Mrs. Howell)

Rebecca (Emily and Henry)

James L. Milam moved to Lewisburg, TN 1866 -- his chn. remember visiting their grandmothers in AL, crossed Sand Mt., Tallapoosa, Talladega, etc.

John Milam, b. 1725 m. Judith ...

Bartlett Milam Sr. about 1750 moved to SC in 1796, wife Eliz., son Bartlett Jr. m. Jane Harlan. AL is full of desc. of Bartlett Sr.

[This apparently was an old query which is relative to the following information that was sent to me by Thomas W. Priest. Very little is known of Benjamin Milam Sr. Sons Dudley and Jordan were dead before 1850. Benjamin Jr. was born in Georgia. In 1850 census in Muscogee County, Georgia, Lewis says he was born in North Carolina, but in 1860 he says South Carolina. This could have been our best clue had the place of birth been the same. Is Benjamin Sr. from the North or South Carolina Milams?]

HUSBAND — Benjamin Milam, Sr.

Places of Residence Harris Co., Ga in 1830 census & 1832 Will _____ Fam. Gp.#Benj.1

Birth | Date-70/80 in1830 | Place- _____

Mar. | Date- _____ | Place- _____

Death | Date- 5 Apr 1832 | Place- Harris Co. Ga. _____

Place of Burial _____ Church Afil.- _____

Occupation - _____ Military _____

Other Wives, (if any) (1) (2) _____

His Father (Name) - - - - _____ | Date Born _____

His Mother (Maiden Name)- _____ | Date Born _____

(FullMaidenName) [] Chary? [hard to read in Will]

Places of Residence - _____

Birth | Date- _____ | Place- _____

Death | Date- _____ | Place- _____

Place of Burial - _____ Church Afil. _____

Occupation (Other than Housewife)- _____

Other Husbands (If any) (1) (2)- _____

Her Father (Name) - - - - _____ | Date Born _____

Her Mother (Maiden Name)- _____ | Date Born _____

(Not in Order of Birth) Children

1. Dudley in Will. A Dudley Milum in 1830 census in Henry Co. Ga., P246
0101000100000-0110001000000-000

2. Jordan in Will. A Jordan Milam in 1830 Census in Fike Co. Ga, P 112
2200001000000-0100100000000-0000

3. Lewis in Will. A Lewis Milam in 1830 census in Harris Co. Ga. P176
2100100000000-0000100000000-0000

4. Benjamin in Will. 1830 census of Harris Co. shows a male 20/30 in Benjamin, Sr. household.
"(Our) Benjamin would have been about 22 years.

5. Bartley in Will. 1830 census of Harris Co. shows a male 15/20 in Benjamin, Sr. household.

6. Elizabeth (Milam) Chapman in Will.

7. Nancy (Milam) Chiati? in Will.

8. Polly (Mary? Milam) Smith in Will In 1850 Tallapoosa Co., Al. is:
Benjamin Smith - 63 - Farmer - b Ga.
Polly - 61 -
Rewben- 42 -
Mary - 24 -

In same Dist. or Twp. (#24) is:

Benjamin Milam - 42 - Farmer - b. Ga.
Lucy - 32 - - b. Ga
and their first 9 children. (Our Benjamin)

I believe that the "Polly" Smith above is a sister of "Our" Benj.

Clerk Office of the Court of Ordinary
BENJAMIN MILAM, SR. WILL

I, Benjamin Milam, Senr. being of weak in body but of a sound disposing mind do make this my last Will & Testament.

First. I do desire that all my just debts be paid out of my Estate.

Second, I do desire that my wife (Chary?) Milam do have my land and household furniture during her lifetime. Also my gray mare and two of her choice of the milch cows. And one third part of my stock hogs _____. I also do desire that after the death of my wife Char_ Milam that the above named property be divided equally amongst my sons Benjamin & Bartly_ Milam. I also do desire that my daughter, Elizabeth Chapman & children do have a ___ and white spectled cow with her first calf and her in_____ to be divided amongst them and I also do desire that my Son Lewis Milam Children do have a brindle cow and a black & red yearling to be divided amongst them. Also do I desire that the ballance of my stock of cattle _____ the fork together with h__rs (?) & cart to be equally divided between my sons Benjamin & Bartley Milam. I also desire that my son Bartley have my black horse. I also desire that my son-in-law, John Cliatt (or Cliati) do remain in possession of his house and Clara Lana ? two year from this date but if he leaves his _____ he is not to allow any other in said place but to revert back to the rest of my land. I do desire that my son, Lewis Milam remain in possession of his place for the term of two ___ and then for it to revert back to the rest. I do desire that my sons Dudley, Jordan and Lewis and my daughters Elizabeth Chapman & Nancy Cliati and Poley Smith receive each two dollars which with the patrimony they have already received from me will make their patrimony equal with the rest of my children.

I do further make and ordain Moses Gurn of the County and State aforsaid my Executor to Execute the within, this my last Will and Testament in _____ whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 25th day of January, Eighteen hundred & thirty two.

Benjamin Milam
B < his mark

Test:
Sandford Thornton
James G. Maul

GEORGIA > Personally came in open Court
Harris County > Sandford Thornton who being duly sworn
deposith & _____ eth that he saw Benjamin Milam sign
and Seal the within Will for the purpose therein contained and
that the said _____ each of them was witness to the same. Also
saw James G. Maul sign his name as a witness.

(Signed)
Sanford Thornton

_____ & Subscribe
in open Court this 21st day
of March, 1832
John J. Harper JJC
Daniel Hightower, JJC
Test:
_____ Barden

m 235
R< a 8

COPY OF WILL OF BENJAMIN MILAM

I, (illegible), Tallapoosa County, State of Alabama, (illegible) sound mind and disposing memory, and considering the uncertainty of this frail and transitory life, do therefore make ordain publish & declare this to be my last will and testament that is to say:

First: After all my lawful debts are paid and discharged the residue of my estate real and personal I give bequeath and dispose of as follows:

Item 1st: I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Louisiana Milam the lands on which I now live known and designated as the N.E. 1/4 of Section No. 20 Township 24 of Range 24. Also the North west 1/4 of the N.W. 1/4 of Sec. No. 21 with all the stock that I may have on hand at my death, that is to say, cows, hogs, and horses, except such horses as are otherwise disposed of in this instrument, all the working tools on the plantation and one wagon and oxen with all other such stock as I may have at the time of my death. Also all the house and kitchen furniture except such as may be otherwise disposed (illegible). Have during her widowhood (illegible) and at the time (illegible) or at her death. (illegible) equally divided between the following described children to wit: Caroline C. Milam, Elizabeth A. Milam, Lucinda Milam, Ellen A. Milam, Elija J. Milam, John T. Milam, Sarah R. Milam, Emily A. Milam, Arra A. Milam and Henry J. Milam, after the shares as hereafter mentioned, and allotted to the before mentioned children, shall have been made equal one with another, then they shall share the balance equally, share and share.

Item 2d: I give to my son Benjamin H. Milam who is now in the service of the Confederate States of America in Co. "B" 37th Regt. Alabama Vols. if he should live and return back home one Iron Grey Filly called "Fan". If he should fall in the field of Battle or should not live to return back, the Filly is to remain in the plantation as other stock.

Item 3d: I give to my son William A. Milam who is now in the service of the Confederate States of America in Co. "B" 37th Regt. Ala. Vols. if he should live and return back home one Roan Colt called "Jack" (illegible) him the colt is to remain in the plantation as other stock.

Item 4th: I give to each of my before mentioned daughters, that is to say, Caroline C. Milam, Elizabeth A. Milam, Mary A. Milam, Lucinda Milam, Ellen A. Milam, Elija J. Milam, Sarah R. Milam, Emily A. Milam and Arra A. Milam, one bed and bed clothing.

Item 5th: I give to my son James L. Milam Five Dollars besides what he has already had as his full share of my said estate.

Item 6th: I give One dollar a piece to my grandchildren Benjamin H. Milam and Louisiana Milam heirs of my son Franklin M. Milam deceased as their full share of my estate over and above what he has already had.

Item 7th: I do make and appoint Henry M. Milam to be Executor of this my last will and testament.

In witness whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed my seal this 20th day of April 1863.

Attested by John Nobley
(illegible)

Benjamin Milam (seal)
(signed) his mark

Thomas W. Priest
13140 S. W. Edgewood St.,
Portland, Oregon, 97225

Benjamin Milan
b. Ga. about 1808
d. Talapoosa Co. Al. 4 Sep 1863
m.
Louisiana
b. Ga. about 1818
d.

James Lafayette Milan
b. Ga., 27 Sep 1833
m. Tallapoosa Co. Al. 1853
d. Uvalde Co. Tx. 10 Dec 1915

Martha A. E. Dunn
b. Al. 11 Aug 1834
d. Uvalde, Tx. 15 Feb 1900

David Cicero Milan
b. Al. 13 Oct 1854
m. Delta Co. Tx. 1877
d. Uvalde, Tx. May 1931
Mary Eliz. Patterson
b. Marshall Co. Tn. 1854
d. Uvalde, Tx. Jul 1915

Mary E. (Moselle) Milan
b. Delta Co. Tx. Mar 1884
m. Uvalde, Tx. 1912
d. Uvalde, Tx. May 1964

Will Hoag
b. Cibelo Tx. Jul 1882
d. Uvalde Tx. May 1962

Children of
Moselle & Will Hoag
William D. b. Uvalde 1913
m. 1937 - Couser
Merv K. b. Uvalde Tx 1921
m. 1946 T. W. Priest
Stephen C. b. Uvalde 1924
m. 1947 Keele

Children of
David & M. E. Milan
1. Arnolia b. Delta Co. 1878
m. 1905 Burgin
d. Del Rio, Tx. 1972
2. J. Artheldra b. Delta 1880
m. 1903 Blalock
d. Uvalde, Tx. 1963
3. Joanna b. Delta Co. 1882
m. 1904 Smith
d. San Angelo, Tx. 1972
4. Moselle b. Delta Co. 1884
m. 1912 Hoag
d. Uvalde, Tx. 1964
5. Lulu b. Delta Co. Tx. 1886
m. 1908 Spence
d. Uvalde, Tx. 1924
6. Hattie L. b. Delta 1887
m. 1913 Hoag
d. 1926

Children of
James L. & Martha Milan
1. David C. b. Al. 1854
m. 1877 Patterson
d. Uvalde, Tx. 1931
2. Mary Kay b. Al., 1856
m. 1873 Wilson
d. Abt 1926
3. Martha Jane b. Al. 1858
m. 1877 Patterson
d.
4. Laura E. b. Al. 1860
m. 1877 Hooten
d. Abt. 1934
5. John M. b. Al. 1862
m. Perry
d. Hugo, Ok. abt. 1927
6. Benjamin F. b. Tn 1866
m. 1885 Evetts (m2) ??
d. Hugo. Ok. abt. 1925
7. Sarah Louise b. Tn. 1869
m. 1885 Cantrell
d. Del Rio, Tx. 1941
8. James L. b. Tn. 1871
m. Bills
d. Alpine, Tx. 1940
9. Thomas M. b. Tx. 1875
m. 1898 Arnette
d. Ft. Stockton, Tx. 1942

Children of
Benjamin and
Louisiana
1. James L. b. Ga. 1833
m. 1853 Dunn
d. Uvalde, Tx. 1915
2. Caroline b. Ga. 1835
m. Lewis
d. Uvalde, Tx. 1906
3. Eliz. A. Ga. ±1837
m. Hall
d.
4. Franklin M. b. Ga. ±1839
m. 1858 Lassenberry
d. Civil War CSA 1862
5. Benjamin H. b. Ga. ±1841
d. Civil War CSA 1864
6. William A. b. Ga. ±1843
d. Civil War CSA ±1865
7. Mary A. b. Al. ±1846
m. 1866 Richardson
d.
8. Lucinda E. b. Al. ±1848
m. Howell
d.
9. Ellen A b. Al. ±1850
m. 1867 Hall
d.
10. Elija J. b. Al. ±1852
m.
d.
11. John T. b. Al. ±1854
m.
d.
12. Sarah Rebecca b. Al. ±1856
m. 1873 Oliver
d.
13. Emily R. b. Al. ±1858
m.
d.
14. Arra. A. b. Al. 1860
m.
d.
15. Henry J. b. Al. ±1862
d. before 1870

THREE GENERATIONS

James Milam, son of John and Judith (Bartlett/Cole) Milam, was born in 1751 in Brunswick County, Virginia. There is virtually nothing known about this James. I found in the Lincoln-Tryon County, North Carolina Court Records that a James Milam bought land from Patrick Miller in September 19, 1775. This is the only James Milam I know of who would have been old enough to buy this land. However, it is said the James lived all his life in Halifax County, Virginia next to Grace (Mylam) Chumley. Vera Milam Ryker believed that possibly Grace was a sister to James. Grace Mylam married Richard Chumley/Cholmondly on May 9, 1756 in Mannikintown. Their first child was David born on June 16, 1768 and then they settled in Halifax County, Virginia.

Benjamin Milam, son of John and Judith (Bartlett/Cole) Milam, was born circa 1752 in Brunswick County, Virginia. He married a Judith --?. This Benjamin moved to South Carolina with his father and brothers, and appears in Camden District, York County, South Carolina in 1790 where John Milam, Sr. died in 1789. It is said that Benjamin did not like South Carolina so he moved back to Virginia, somewhere around Halifax and/or Pittsylvania Counties, where a son/or daughter married another Milam.

John Milam, Jr., son of John and Judith (Bartlett/Cole) Milam, was born in Brunswick County, Virginia on June 12, 1753. His father moved to Halifax County, Virginia before he could remember. He enlisted in the army in the spring of 1776 and served in the Seventh Regiment of Virginia for two years. After the war John moved to Laurens District, South Carolina. He lived there thirty or more years before moving to Alabama. John married first to Nancy McClardy and then after Nancy's death John married second to Polly Allison in about 1813 in Laurens District, South Carolina. Polly was the daughter of Robert Allison of Laurens District, South Carolina and was born in 1780 in Laurens District, South Carolina. John received a Land Patent for Madison County, Alabama on January 18, 1816. He applied for a war pension on October 29, 1832 while a resident of Madison County, Alabama. John wrote his will on June 3, 1835. He died on October 26, 1838 in Madison County, Alabama. His will was recorded there on November 1, 1838. Polly Milam applied for and received a widow's pension on April 20, 1858 in Monroe County, Mississippi while she was living with her step-daughter Polly and her husband William Atkins.

Issue of John Milam (Jr.):

- I. Mary "Polly" Milam
- II. John Milam

- III. William Bartlett Milam
- IV. Wiley Milam
- V. Lucinda Milam
- VI. Lucindarella/Cinderella/Cinderilla Milam
- VII. Jane Milam
still alive in June 1835
Married Dr. Sam or Garlington Leake/Leek
- VIII. Dicey Milam
still alive in June 1835
Married Jeremiah Connant
- IX. Nancy Milam
still alive in June 1835
Married Samuel Sutherland/Southerland
- ? X. daughter said to have married a Fuller
- ? XI. daughter said to have married a Magahee
- ? XII. Ferrall Milam

Mary "Polly" Milam, daughter of John and Nancy (McClardy) Milam, was born in 1787 in Laurens District, South Carolina. She married William Atkins. He was born in 1783 in North Carolina.

Known Issue:

- I. Alfred Atkins
- ? II. William B. Atkins
- ? III. Nancy Atkins

John Milam, son of John and Nancy (McClardy) Milam, was born ca. 1790 in Laurens District, South Carolina. He may have married 1st Elizabeth Nancy Madden and he married 2nd to Milly Pitts who was born in 1803 in South Carolina. He died ca. 1880 in Pontotoc County, Mississippi.

Believed Issue by first wife:

- I. William Milam
- II. Diataphus "Dodge" M. Milam *
- III. Mathew Milam
- IV. Polly Milam
- V. Parthenia Milam
- VI. Elizabeth Milam

Issue by second wife:

- VII. Leake Milam
- VIII. John Wesley Milam
- IX. Wiley Ferral Milam
- X. Larkin Cole Milam
- XI. Betsy Milam
- XII. Jane Milam
- XIII. Henry Pickens Milam

William Bartlett Milam, son of John and Nancy (McClardy) Milam was born on April 15, 1792 in Laurens District, South Carolina. He married Lucinda "Lucy" Atkins about 1816 in Madison

County, Alabama. She was born in 1790 in North Carolina to Benjamin Atkins. Bartlett died on December 4, 1846 in Lincoln County, Tennessee where Lucy died sometime after 1850.

Issue:

- I. John B. Milam
- II. Wiley Glover Milam
- III. Lucenda Milam
- IV. Nancy C. Milam
- V. William Bluford Milam
- VI. Milinda G. Milam
- VII. Willis R. Milam
- VIII. Thomas Milam

Wiley Milam, son of John and Nancy (McClardy) Milam, was born about 1796 in Laurens District, South Carolina. He married 1st Martha "Patsy" Walker, daughter of John and Keturah Walker of Laurens District, South Carolina. Martha died before 1845. Her children are named in her mother's will in Laurens District, South Carolina in 1845. Wiley married 2nd Mourning Touchstone. Wiley died in Campbell (now Fulton) County, Georgia in 1858. He is said to have been buried at "Ono" near his home. On December 27, 1858 application was made for twelve months support for his widow and minor children.

Issue by first wife:

- I. William Milam
- II. John "Jack" Milam
- III. Elizabeth Milam
- IV. Deborah Ann Milam
- V. Jane Milam

Issue by second wife:

- VI. Susan Milam
- VII. America Milam
- VIII. Louise Frances Milam
- IX. Wiley Milam
- X. Katherine Marie "Kate" Milam
- XI. Bethania Milam
- XII. James Nolen Milam
- XIII. Dennis Milam
- XIV. Mary Milam
- XV. Queen Victoria Milam
- XVI. Robert Jefferson Milam
Died young while studying medicine

Lucinda Milam, daughter of John and Nancy (McClardy) Milam, was born circa 1799 in Laurens District, South Carolina. She married first to James Arnold on May 5, 1819 in Madison County, Alabama. Lucinda married second to William Bluford Gary. Both Lucinda and her second husband were dead by June 1835 as John Milam named only Lucinda's children in his will.

Issue by first husband:

- A. Nancy Arnold

- Married Mr. Atkins
Issue by second husband:
A. William Bluford Gary, Jr.
B. Malinda Gary

Lucindarella/Cinderella/Cinderilla Milam, daughter of John and Nancy (McClardy) Milam, was born on June 9, 1801 in Laurens District, South Carolina. She married William Murphy in September 1816. He was born on September 20, 1793 in South Carolina. They may have been living in Limestone County, Alabama in 1820 and 1830 before settling in Madison County, Alabama where they appear in 1840, 1850 and 1860.

Issue:

- I. R. J. Murphy
- II. J. H. Murphy
- III. Nancy F. Murphy
- IV. Sarah C. Murphy
- V. Benjamin W. Murphy
- VI. Lucinderilla Murphy
- VII. William F. Murphy
- VIII. Mary Dicey Murphy
- IX. Barthena J. Murphy
- X. Thomas Murphy
- XI. John H. Murphy

MILAM GENEALOGIST

I was sorry to learn from Rev. Dr. Peebles of the death of one of our kin, and one of our kind. Vera Milam Ryker died on March 28 in Fort Smith, Arkansas. She was born on September 9, 1906 in Cecil, Arkansas to Joseph L. and Henrietta "Retta" (Burcham) Milam. Vera graduated in 1937 10th in a class of 316 at Oklahoma A. & M. which is now Oklahoma State University. She graduated Cum laude, Phi Kappa Phi; with more than enough hours to acquire her masters, but was never able to follow up on. She had been a school teacher for 30 years and cattle rancher. Vera was a member of the Baptist Church and the Daughters of the American Revolution. I began corresponding with Vera in the fall of 1985. Even then she suffered severely from many health problems, but was always glad to hear from me and write me back sending many copies and records. I found her to be a thorough researcher and would clearly separate her theories from her facts. She felt it was very important that genealogy be proven.

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George	son	10 VA	
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[County] Pittsylvania	[District] Banister		
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[County] Pittsylvania	[District] Dan River		
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William R.	son	12 VA	
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Emma L.	daughter	8 VA	
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[County] Bedford	[District] Charlemont Mag.		
Francis	wife	36 VA	
Ginety W.	daughter	11 VA	
Mickie	daughter	7 VA	
Ollie L.	daughter	6 VA	
Minnie	daughter	5 VA	
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Cornelia	daughter	1 VA	

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[County] Pittsylvania	[District] Dan River		
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Charlie F.	son	2 VA	
enumerated with Alexander T. Clark			

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L.D.	son	10 VA	
William J.	son	8 VA	
A.J.	daughter	6 VA	
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Francis A.	son	2 VA	

Mylum, Samuel J.		[Vol.] 26	[E.D.] 170
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[County] Pittsylvania		[District] Dan River	
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William R.	son	4 VA	

Milom, Sarah E.		[Vol.] 26	[E.D.] 168
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[County] Pittsylvania		[District] Dan River	
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[county] Wilkes		[township] Union	
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William	son	21 NC	
John M.	son	17 NC	
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Sarah F.	daughter	9 NC	

Milam, George W.		[vol.] 24	[E.D.] 196
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[county] Natanga		[township] Beaver Dam	
Claricy I.	wife	22 NC	
Linzy A.	son	6 NC	
Misa A.	daughter	5 NC	
William L.	son	2 NC	

Milam, Henry D.		[vol.] 24	[E.D.] 281
white male	48 NC	[sheet] 3	[line] 17
[county] Warren		[township] Six Pound	
Mag R.	wife	29 NC	

John F. J.	son	19	NC
J. Henry	son	14	NC
Mary W.	daughter	12	NC
Sallie E.	daughter	9	NC
Nathan	son	7	NC
Corday S.	son	4	NC
Nannie T.	daughter	1	NC
Mary Savage	mother-in-law	69	NC

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[county] Warren		[township] Six Pound	
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Mary	daughter	6	NC
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[county] Warren		[township] Six Pound	
enumerated with John Milam as son of wife			

Milum, John W.		[vol.] 25	[E.D.] 221
white male 43	NC	[sheet] 28	[line] 11
[county] Wilkes		[township] Reddies River	
Laura A.	wife	38	NC
Irvin D.	son	13	NC
Mary Lou	daughter	12	NC
Arthur T.	son	10	NC
Larry	son	8	NC
Babe	daughter	6	NC
John W.	son	4	NC
James T.	son	4	NC
infant	son	2/365	NC
Allie Church	mother-in-law	79	NC
Rebecca Milam	mother	75	NC

Milum, William J.		[vol.] 25	[E.D.] 221
white male 52	NC	[sheet] 23	[line] 33
[county] Wilkes		[township] Reddies River	
Martha L.	wife	49	NC
Thomas L.	son	20	NC
Simeon A.	son	18	NC
Frances B.	daughter	13	NC
Carrie C.	daughter	10	NC
Sallie E.	daughter	7	NC
Callie L.	daughter	6	NC
Raurie C.	son	3	NC
Minnie D. H.	daughter	6/12	NC

MILITARY MILAM

MELMOTH F. MILAM

Melmoth F. Milam, son of Robert and Priscilla (Denby) Milam, was born between January and June 1st in 1840 in Laurens District, South Carolina. Robert, who was said to be a Col. commanding the 10th Regiment, South Carolina Cavalry, died in 1853 when Melmoth was only 13 years old and Priscilla died by 1860.

Melmoth enrolled on April 14, 1861 in Laurensville, Laurens District, South Carolina in Capt. B. C. Garlington's Company, subsequently Company A, 3rd Regiment South Carolina Volunteer Infantry for 12 months service. The 3rd was mustered into Confederate States service on June 6 in Columbia, South Carolina for 12 months service, but when that time was up, it was reorganized for the war in May 1862.

Melmoth was with the Regiment at 1st Manassas and in the Peninsular Campaign. He misses the Seven-Days' Battles, as Melmoth was admitted to Episcopal Church Hospital in Williamsburg, Virginia on June 16, 1862. He was suffering from Rheumatism. He returned to duty on July 17.

Melmoth was wounded at the battle of Sharpsburg, Maryland on September 17, 1862. He was admitted to Chimborazo Hospital, No. 2, in Richmond Virginia. The records state that his wound was an accidental wound in the breast from a Confederate bayonet. He was released from the hospital on October 4 and furloughed on October 11.

Melmoth returned to duty on February 10, 1863. Melmoth's next engagement was at Chancellorsville. Then came the Gettysburg Campaign.

After Gettysburg came a temporary peace in the eastern theater of the War. Longstreet's command, which included Melmoth's Regiment, was sent west, into Georgia in support of General Bragg's Army of Tennessee, into what becomes the Chickamauga Campaign. Melmoth was killed at the battle of Chickamauga on September 20, 1863. In the OFFICIAL RECORDS OF THE UNION AND CONFEDERATED ARMIES in Series I, Vol. 30, part II, page 506 is the report of Brig. Gen. Joseph B. Kershaw, C.S. Army, commanding McLaws' division, of the Chickamauga campaign. In the last paragraph of his report is the following:

In the absence of horses for myself and staff, I detailed one man from each regiment as orderlies to communicate with the command. All of them rendered efficient service, and two (M.F. Milam, Company A, Third South Carolina Regiment, and Rawlins Rivers, Company I, Second South Carolina Regiment) were killed in discharge of that duty.

As Melmoth has not been found to be buried in Laurens County, South Carolina, I would presume he is buried at the battlefield site.

MILAM MARRIAGES

TENNESSEE

[These are marriages recorded in the "International Genealogical Index" commonly referred to as the "IGI". The "IGI" is associated with the Morman Church so I am sure the records are reliable.]

Adam Milam to Jenny Short 5 October 1805 Sumner County
Alex Milam to Tishy Beasley 4 February 1884 Carroll County
Alice Milam to A. N. Peyton 27 April 1871 Davidson County
Andrew Milom to Talitha Cartwright 24 June 1830 Davidson County
Anna Milum to George W. Mayberry 5 September 1880 Hickman County
Bertie Mae Milam to Ruby Lee Isbell 3 July 1924 Milan, Gibson
County
David Miliam to Margaret Simmons 11 December 1869 Lincoln County
Dora Milam to W. A. Wood 15 February 1883 Dyer County
E. B. Milam to A. E. Dillahunty 17 November 1875 Henry County
E. S. Milam to Green B. Davis 13 December 1877 Decatur County
Elerna Milam to Abner Collier 17 February 1809 Sumner County
Elizabeth F. Milam to Thomas U. Pinkerton 3 August 1870 Lincoln
County
Emma Milam to R. F. Harwood 17 November 1875 Henry County
Eugenie Milam to James Barger 11 October 1885 Carroll County
Felix Milam to Susan Cunningham 22 March 1881 Carroll County
George Milam to Chany Clark 1 June 1872 Henry County
Georgie Ann Milam to Jack Allen 26 January 1876 Henry County
Henry Milam to Jennie Willis 22 May 1873 Davidson County
Henry Milam to Lucy Mitchell 6 May 1876 Davidson County
Henry Milam to Eliza Payne 6 July 1876 Davidson County
Isaac Belfield Milam to Rebecca D. Pickard 1837 Hickman County
J. H. Milam to Lula Pope 28 May 1885 Dyer County
J. M. Milam to Mary J. Grable 3 February 1868 Henry County
J. W. Milam to Matilda L. Harrison 30 January 1883 Hardin County
Jacob Milam to Katie Davis 18 December 1881 Carroll County
James T. Milam to Nancy I. Long 21 November 1866 Hardin County
John Molam to Bilenda Hopkins 17 December 1843 Claiborne County
John B. Milam to Mary Spray 3 April 1844 Lincoln County
John L. Milam to Jennie R. Demonbrenn 16 December 1875 Davidson
County
Julia A. Milam to Lee A. Walker 9 August 1883 Dyer County
Kate Milam to James M. Cantrell 29 March 1866 Davidson County
Lewis Milam to Annie Pointer 4 November 1876 Davidson County
Loucinda Milam to Hugh Randolph 30 August 1838 Lincoln County
M. E. Milam to Johon R. Kincanon 1 February 1867 Hardin County
M. E. Milam to John Kenedy 20 January 1869 Hardin County
M. E. Milam to H. L. Fones 30 September 1884 Dyer County
M. G. C. Milum to Andrew Jackson Whitwell 12 November 1882
Hickman County
M. J. Milum to J. L. Camp 18 September 1882 Carroll County
Malinda G. Milam to Jesse Leatherwood 11 April 1846 Lincoln
County
Martha F. Milam to John F. Shelton 2 January 1840 Lincoln County

Mary A. Milam to Pleasanton Smith 19 January 1869 Hardin County
 Mary W. Milam to J. E. Edwards 20 December 1875 Henry County
 Mattie Milam to C. R. Stutts 10 January 1884 Dyer County
 Mollie Milam to W. H. Mainard 27 September 1883 Carroll County
 Myra Milam to Lawrence Fones 12 March 1885 Dyer County
 Nancy A. Milam to J. H. Diggs 18 October 1876 Henry County
 Nannie F. Milam to James W. Allen 27 December 1870 Henry County
 Nannie O. Milam to John P. F. Frewitt 1 July 1868 Hardeman County
 Nettie Milam to John Douglas 31 January 1868 Davidson County
 Rachael Milam to W. L. Edwards 22 July 1874 Fayette County
 Rena Milam to Greenberry Davis 13 December 1877 Decatur County
 Rhody Milam to James Walker 9 March 1811 Sumner County
 Robert Milam to Jennie Watkins 28 May 1866 Davidson County
 Robert A. Milam to Ellen C. Carter 9 December 1875 Davidson
 County
 Rosa Milam to Alfred Johnson 30 May 1874 Davidson County
 Rosannah Milam to W. C. Kincanon 21 January 1866 Hardin County
 Rufus K. Milam to Martha Bowen 6 October 1865 Hardin County
 S. C. Milam to Martha A. Diggs 27 May 1874 Henry County
 S. A. Milam to W. H. Owen 8 October 1870 Henry County
 S. E. C. Milam to Thomas S. Hendrix 24 February 1881 Dyer County
 T. G. Milam to I. B. Berry 22 December 1881 Carroll County
 W. G. Milam to Mary E. Fisher 16 November 1884 Decatur County
 W. R. Milam to Elizabeth -?- 12 August 1867 Hardin County
 Wiley A. Milam to Mary A. Combs 12 November or December 1877
 Lincoln County
 Wiley G. Milam to Martha E. Bland 23 February 1853 or 1854
 Lincoln County
 Willis M. Milam to Margaret Beard 10 March or April 1846
 Lincoln County

Nancy Wagenseller, 1913 Arbor Avenue, Belmont, California
 94002 is looking for information on Jacob Mileham. He was born
 about 1814 in either Tennessee or Virginia. In 1850 he is in
 Nodaway County, Missouri where he died in 1855. Nancy speculates
 that he is a son of Lewis Milam, the son of William Milam, the
 son of Archibald. I tend to agree with this theory. I have
 Jacob Milam in Lee County, Virginia in 1820 and Jacob Mileham
 there in 1830.

LINEAGE CHART

[The following is the lineage of Lois M. Johnson, Route 3 Box 67
 Maple Leaf Estates, Leitchfield, Kentucky 42754]

My name is Lois Ruth Milam Johnson. I was born 3 Dec. 1942 in Grayson Co., Ky. I married James Farrell Johnson on 30 Dec. 1960 in Grayson Co. We have three children--Mildred Kaye-b. 7 Oct. 1961, Leisha Gay-b. 20 Jan. 1964 and James Farrell, Jr.-b. 14 Sept. 1965.

My father was Mark Twain Milam-b. 14 Dec. 1903 in Grayson Co., Ky. d. 8 Feb. 1973 in Warren Co., Ky. He married Eunice Lorene Carter-b. 24 Dec. 1908 in Grayson Co. They married 27 Dec. 1925 in Grayson Co. They had 7 children--

1. Robert Thomas--born 10 Mar. 1927 in McLean Co., Ill.
2. Margaret Ann--born 3 Oct. 1932 in McLean Co., Ill.
3. Mark Carter---born 1 May 1934 in McLean Co., Ill.
4. Richard Keith--born 2 Mar. 1936 died-29 Nov. 1938 in Grayson Co.
5. Carol Nell----born 14 July 1937 in Grayson Co., Ky.
6. Elbert Bruce--born 9 Aug. 1941 in Grayson Co., Ky.
7. Lois Ruth-----born 3 Dec. 1942 in Grayson Co., Ky.

My grandfather was William Clarence Milam-b. 30 Aug. 1872 in Breckinridge Co., Ky.--d. 8 May 1962 in Bloomington, Ill. He married Essie Thomason b. 30 Dec. 1877 in Grayson Co.--d. 29 Aug. 1963 in Bloomington, Ill. They married 24 May 1901 in Grayson Co., Ky. They had 8 children.

1. Elsie Ree--b. 14 Mar. 1902 d. 17 Nov 1906
2. Mark Twain----b. 14 Dec. 1903 d. 8 Feb 1973
3. Tula May--b. 27 Mar. 1906 d. 6 April 1910
4. Irene-----b. 8 April 1910
5. Mildred---b. 18 Dec. 1912
6. Robert C.--b. 22 June 1915
7. Anna Lee--b. 17 Nov. 1917 d. 12 July 1950
8. Helen-----b. 20 Mar. 1920

My great grandfather was John M. Milam-b. ca. 1849 in Breckinridge Co., Ky. d. ca. 1899 in Ohio Co., Ky. He married Matilda Reno-b. ca. 1851 in Breckinridge Co. They married 13 Jan. 1870 in Breckinridge Co. She died 1 Jan. 1930 in Breckinridge Co. They had 9 children.

1. Lennie--b. ca. 1871 d. ca. 1935
2. William Clarence-b. 30 Aug 1872 d. 8 May 1962
3. Wavie-----b. Aug 1874 c. Dec 1952
4. Essie-----b. ca 1876 d. ?
5. Jessie-----b. 25 Aug 1882 d. 7 Nov 1954
6. John-----b. (no information)
7. Icy-----b. 4 Apr 1886 d. 16 Oct 1953
8. Ida-----b. ca. 1889 c. ?
9. Goldie-----b. ca. 1894 c. ?

My great great grandfather was William A. Milam-b. _____ 1820 in Breckinridge Co., Ky. Died _____ Married Julia A. (Anderson?) No information on her birth and death dates. They had 9 children.

1. Obediah H.-----b. 1841-----d. ?
2. Margaret E.-----b. 1843-----d. ?
3. Charles A.-----b. 1845-----d. ?
4. Mary Eliza-----b. 1847-----d. ?
5. John M. -----b. 1849-----d. ?
6. Stephen-----b. 1851-----d. ?
7. Celis-----b. 1852-----d. ?
8. Godfrey-----b. 1854-----d. ?
9. James-----b. 1860-----d. ?

William A. was in 27th Ky. Vol. Co. B Union Army during the Civil War.

My great-great-great grandfather was John Milam-b. ca. 1792 in Bedford Co., Va. No information on when and where he died. He married Margaretha Basham-b. _____ 1798 in Bedford Co., Va. d. July 1850 in Breckinridge Co., Ky. They married ca. 1818 and had 12 children.

1. Henry Basham-----b. 1819-----d. ?
2. William-----b. 1820-----d. ?
3. Obediah-----b. 1821-----d. ?
4. Celia-----b. 21 Oct 1822d. 26Jan 1913
5. Polly Ann***-----b. 25 Sept. 1825-d. 14 Feb.1911
6. Stephen-----b. 1828-----d. ?
7. Birtlett-----b. 1831-----d. ?
8. Eliza J.-----b. 1833-----d. ca. 1854
9. Theodocis**-----b. 1835-----d. ?
10. Barbara-----b. 1838-----d. ?
11. Margaret-----b. 1842-----d. ?
12. Jane-----b. 1844-----d. ?

The following is the lineage of Mrs. C. H. Taylor; she is searching for the parents of Adam Milam. Adam lived in Warren County, North Carolina and died and left a will there in 1789. In his will he named five sons: James, John, Rowland, Drury, and Lewis. Adam has been very difficult to place with no records to help. His sons names, unfortunately provide no clues; however some of the names of the grandchildren, such as Zachariah and Solomon, tend to suggest a possible connectiona with Thomas Milam and his wife Mary Rush Adams. Vera M. Ryker "surmised this Adam Milam was son of Thomas and Mary Adams Milam, but cannot cattalog him without actual proof."

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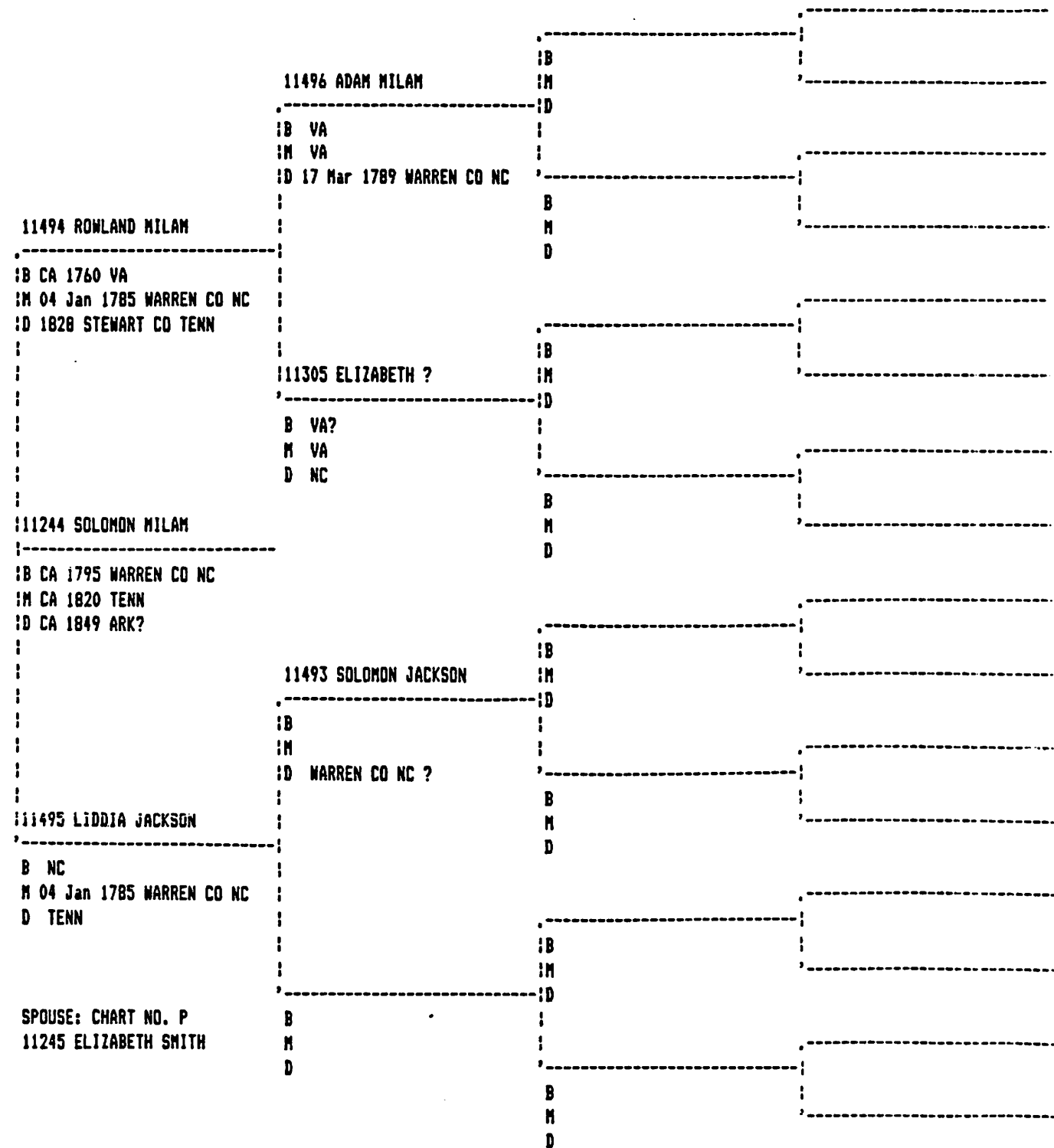


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		9469 DANIEL M CRONKHITE	
	9467 STEPHAN CRONKHITE		
		B ???1833 JEFFERSON CO NY	19470 HARRIET (?)
	9458 DELBERT DANIEL CRONKHITE	M 30 Mar 1853 BOONE CO IL	
		D 1913 OSCEOLA MO ?	
		B 18 Nov 1864 FRANKLIN TWP DE	9471 JACOB E OVEROCKER (REV)
		M 14 Feb 1895 SUMNER BREMER C	9489 ELIZABETH OVEROCKER
		D 08 Mar 1935 MINN MN	
		B 05 Jan 1831 JEFFERSON CO NY	9472 ANNA DELAVERGIE
		M 30 Mar 1853 BOONE CO IL	
		D 07 Jan 1915 OSCEOLA MO?	
9456 HENRY STEPHAN CRONKHITE			
		B 23 Jan 1902 FREDRICKA BREME	
		M 29 Oct 1929 BEACON HILL PRE	
		D 25 Jul 1981 HOUSTON TX	
		B 1826 ENGLAND	19076 ADELAIDE ?
	9459 ETHEL WILKINSON	M 1871 WARWICKSHIRE ENG	
		D 25 Oct 1909 LEAMINGTON WARM	
		B 26 Jan 1872 HERTFORD WARMIC	9474 CATHERINE MARY WILSON
		M 14 Feb 1895 SUMNER BREMER C	PERRETTE
		D 27 Nov 1941 MINN MN	
		B CA 1850 W.IND.TERR.	19072 ? ?
		M 1871 WARWICKSHIRE ENG	
		D 05 Jun 1886 WARWICKSHIRE EN	
9451 MARGARET MAY CRONKHITE			
		B 08 Aug 1930 SAN ANTONIO BEX	
		M 18 Aug 1951 HOUSTON TX	
		Living HOUSTON TX	
		B 24 Dec 1858 TENN COLONY AND	7734 MARY NOEL
		M 14 Dec 1882 PARIS TX	
		D 01 Jan 1943 SAN ANTONIO TX	
	7714 WALTER ASA HOCKER		
		B 31 May 1884 PARIS LAMAR CO	12254 ALBERT JOHN GARNER
		M 21 May 1905 SULPHUR SPRINGS	12265 VESTA SUSAN GARNER
		D 21 Jan 1961 SAN ANTONIO TX	
		B 12/14/1860 JO DAVIES CO IL	12266 SUSAN READER
		M 14 Dec 1882 PARIS TX	
		D 01 Feb 1944 SAN ANTONIO TX	
7707 VESTA MILAM HOCKER			
		B 06 Nov 1906 SAN ANTONIO BEX	
		M 29 Oct 1929 BEACON HILL PRE	
		Living HOUSTON TX	
		B 01 Mar 1833 DICKSON CO TN	11245 ELIZABETH SMITH
		M 29 Jul 1873 SULPHUR SPRINGS	
		D 10 Oct 1909 SULPHUR SPRINGS	
	11211 MOLLIE SUE MILAM		
		B 21 Dec 1887 SULPHUR SPRINGS	11246 TURNER LUNDY GREEN
		M 21 May 1905 SULPHUR SPRINGS	11228 BLANCHE RUSSELL GREEN
		D 30 Oct 1971 PASADENA TX	
		B 1852 CLARKSVILLE AR	11247 DELILAH RUSSELL
		M 29 Jul 1873 SULPHUR SPRINGS	
		D 30 Apr 1925 SULPHUR SPRINGS	
SPOUSE:			
5252 CLIFTON HUGHES TAYLOR			

under the direction of the Librarian of Congress. The Library had operated a reading room for the blind since 1897, but the acquisition of books for the blind on such an extensive scale was a new function. Not surprisingly, Librarian Putnam turned to Meyer to administer the new project. Books for the Adult Blind; Meyer continued to direct the LRS as well. The new task was performed as effectively as Putnam had expected, and in this sense, Meyer may be considered the "founding father" of what today are undeniably two of the most important and unique services of the Library of Congress: the Congressional Research Service and the Division for the Blind and Physically Handicapped. The range of Meyer's administrative experience in the Library led William Warner Bishop (q.v.) to claim in 1935 that "probably no one living knows the Library of Congress in its entirety as he does." That statement is an enormous tribute to H. H. B. Meyer.

In addition to his bibliographic work, Meyer wrote about a dozen articles for professional journals on a variety of topics, including library extension, the metric system, the professional librarian and adult education, and business libraries. One subject that concerned him was the definition of librarianship and library work. Meyer held that librarianship was a profession that had behind it a body of knowledge "just as the profession of medicine has back of it medical chemistry and botany, pathology, therapeutics and so on." In a 1925 address before the Virginia State Library Association, Meyer defined library science as "that branch of human knowledge which treats of the production, care, and use of the records of human knowledge," and then carefully outlined each component of his definition. He concluded by asserting: "Librarians accepting such a definition and living up to it need have no fear of being excluded from the learned professions."

H. H. B. Meyer retired from the Library of Congress on October 1, 1935, and devoted himself to book collecting and bibliography. On January 16, 1937, Meyer died of pneumonia. He was survived by his widow, Helen Harris Spalding Meyer, to whom he had been married on September 3, 1894. She donated many of her husband's books to the institution to which he had devoted himself for thirty years.

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—JOHN Y. COLE

MILAM, CARL HASTINGS (1884-1963)

Carl Hastings Milam was born October 22, 1884, in Harper County, Kansas, the son of George L. and Florence Burch Milam. The family lived in Kansas, Missouri, and Oklahoma during his youth, and Milam was graduated from the University of Oklahoma in 1907. After receiving a certificate from the New York State Library School in 1908, he worked as a cataloger in the Purdue University Library from 1908 to 1909, and as organizer for the Public Library Commission of Indiana from 1909 to 1913.

In 1910, Milam married Nell Robinson, whom he had met when they were both students at Oklahoma. Their two daughters were Margery, whom they adopted while living in Birmingham, Alabama, and Mary Virginia.

Milam was influenced to choose librarianship as his career by Milton James Ferguson (q.v.), who was librarian at the University of Oklahoma while Milam was a student there. He enjoyed his work at Purdue, but the larger salary of the state organizer allowed him to plan to marry. Furthermore, his work with the Commission included travel, preparation of reports, consultation in library planning and development, presentation of speeches, and workshops. Not only were these activities enjoyable, but they also provided valuable experience for the major work of his career. He left Indiana in 1913 to become director of the Birmingham, Alabama, Public Library, and stayed there until 1919 (including time on leave to work in the American Library Association Library War Service). He considered the opening of a branch library for service to Negroes his major accomplishment in that position. Throughout these years, he also regularly attended the annual ALA conferences and participated in its programs. He was president of the League of Library Commissions from 1912 to 1913 and was elected a member of the ALA Council in 1915 and a member of the Executive Board in 1919.

The Library War Service, an ALA endeavor supported by funds from the [Andrew] Carnegie [q.v.] Corporation and other sources, attracted Milam's interest from the time it was tentatively planned. He took leave from Birmingham in 1917 to become assistant to the Service's director, Herbert Putnam (q.v.), then Librarian of Congress. He stayed on as acting general director while Putnam was overseas and finally became general director in 1919. The enthusiastic response to this ALA activity, and the recognition of the need for more service directed to people who had not had experience with adequate library service before, led to the development of a: "Enlarged Program," conceived by Milam and other

ALA leaders as a way for the Association to stimulate more and better library service for all, including such previously neglected groups as the hospitalized and the blind.

In the Library War Service, Milam's responsibilities included those for the selection of personnel for the Washington headquarters; communication and supervision of dispatch center, camp libraries, and overseas libraries; negotiations with the U.S. Army and other parts of the federal government; policy preparation; general planning; and public relations work for the Service. This experience strengthened his sense of the value of good public relations programs for libraries and sharpened his administrative skills. The visibility and respect he earned from his colleagues while in this position led to his being named director of the ALA's Enlarged Program. Even though that Program failed to win popular support, Milam saw in the ALA and its plans for the post-World War I years the possibility of carrying out some of the activities associated with the Enlarged Program. In March 1920, upon the resignation of George B. Utley (q.v.) as ALA secretary, Milam assumed that post, where he spent the next 28 years, the major portion of his professional career.

"Mr. ALA" was the appellation Milam received because of his close identification with the Association for such a long period of time. His good rapport with Frederick P. Keppel (q.v.) and Robert Lester (q.v.) (president and secretary, respectively, of the Carnegie Corporation) was a major factor in the Carnegie Corporation's contributions toward various ALA programs and toward ALA's own endowment fund. Library education and international library development were two of Milam's main interests that received major emphasis from within the Association throughout the era of his leadership. Other foundations were also active in library development in that period; however, Milam was convinced that there was a need for federal government support as well, although that did not come on a major scale until his years of retirement. Within the Association, many people resisted the prospect of federal funding, which they were sure would lead to federal control. Then, in the Roosevelt administration, when the U.S. government began to concern itself with social and educational programs to a greater extent than in the past, the needs related to the Great Depression of the 1930s were so critical that libraries had low priority for support.

Although Milam was a widely recognized spokesman for the Association and for librarianship in general, his position was somewhat anomalous. As secretary and, later, executive secretary, of the ALA, he was not free to speak on library issues when his

personal views might be counter to policies of the Association, although, as in his determined support of the idea of federal support for libraries, he might present his own arguments forcefully to regional library associations or other audiences of librarians in the hope of encouraging them to consider his point of view. He was acknowledged to be an effective, if not elegant, writer, but many of his statements grew out of group or committee discussions and were not directly attributed to him. He worked most effectively with small groups of people, and, indeed, his close association with the ALA Executive Board led members of the larger ALA Council to consider him to be not only out of touch with their needs and interests but high-handed in his treatment of them. These criticisms and others concerning his priorities in handling ALA's funds increased greatly in the years following World War II, as a new, younger leadership, rather like that with which Milam had been identified after World War I, came forward.

After 28 years of work at ALA headquarters in Chicago, Milam left two years before his anticipated retirement to become, in 1948, the director of the United Nations Library. When he went there, decisions had to be made about personnel policies and about systems of cataloging and classification, and numerous other administrative tasks had to be performed and codified for the future. Doris Dale has described his two years there as the ones that "set the library on a firm course." His zest for international library development, which had been evident in his enthusiastic attendance at several conferences of the International Federation of Library Associations and other international organizations, added to his enjoyment of those developing years at the U.N. headquarters. He might have remained longer, but his wife's poor health prompted him to retire at age 65 and to return to Barrington, Illinois. There, Mrs. Milam died in 1956 after a long illness during which he served as her nurse.

The controversial ALA presidential election of 1949 is an event that many persons associate with Milam. He was invited to run for ALA president in late 1948, and, overcoming his own misgivings, he agreed. The presidency was an honor, and Chalmers Hadley (q.v.) and George Utley, his two predecessors as ALA secretary, had served terms as president after their tenures in the ALA executive post. Milam's friends encouraged him to accept the honor of nomination as the only candidate, but at the 1949 Midwinter ALA meeting, strong resistance came from a variety of dissidents. Clarence Graham, the youthful director of the Louisville, Kentucky, Public Library, became a petition candidate and defeated Milam in the election. The rejection by the ALA membership

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in a mail vote hurt and puzzled both Milam and his associates. The most likely explanation appears to be that ALA members were tired of the leadership that he had exerted so strongly for so long.

Partly because of the strong feeling directed toward him, Milam was not named an honorary member of ALA until 1954. Twenty years earlier, he had received his first honorary doctoral degree from Southwestern College in Memphis, Tennessee. His second was granted a year later by Lawrence College in Appleton, Wisconsin.

An assessment of Milam's career must emphasize five notable achievements: his success as a fund-raiser for the American Library Association; his personal leadership in both ALA and general library plans and development; his image as a national and international leader in librarianship; his interest and leadership especially in public library development and adult education programs in libraries; and his contributions to development of the United Nations Library.

Milam lived in Evanston, Illinois, during the years when he worked at ALA headquarters in Chicago, and he and his wife were active in civic affairs there, although his loyalty to the Democratic Party somewhat limited his political activities in Republican Evanston. He enjoyed gardening at his home and, in retirement, he raised evergreen trees for sale, but this venture gave only a modest return because of the demands his wife's illness made on his time and energies. Fishing was a favorite form of relaxation for him throughout his life, and a typical vacation found him fishing in the West with one or two other men, happily roughing it.

The picture of Milam that appeared on the *ALA Bulletin* for October 1963 (the issue in which his death was announced) shows him as most librarians remember him in his last active years: a stocky, vigorous-looking man whose white hair had thinned and disappeared on top. His pipe was in his hands, and his dark eyes were alert behind his glasses. That year, although he wrote to David Clift (q.v.), his successor at ALA, that he had hoped to see the new ALA headquarters building, he was afflicted with arthritis. At the age of 78, he was too tired to go to Chicago from his little home in Barrington for the ALA conference in June. He was planning to move to his daughter's home in Jamaica, Iowa, when he died in his sleep in Barrington on August 26.

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—PEGGY A. SULLIVAN

MITCHELL, SYDNEY BANCROFT (1878-1951)

Sydney Bancroft Mitchell was born in Montreal on June 24, 1878, of Scotch-Irish parents, James and Sarah Cooper Mitchell. French remained his fluent second language. Born with a congenital hip dislocation, he rolled like a sailor; and yet so strong was his reconciliation with his misshapen body that in his initially disconcerting presence one became aware only of the man's serenity and wisdom. While obtaining the B.A. (1901) and M.A. (1904) at McGill University in the great days of Stephen Leacock, Mitchell worked in the library. When they were reluctant to hire a cripple, he set a record for climbing the stack staircase from bottom to top and back again. Thenceforth, no one questioned his ability to get around fast on his own legs. He went on to the New York State Library at Albany for the B.L.S. in 1904, and then returned to McGill for four years as a cataloger.

In 1908 he married Rose Frances Michaels, a Canadian-English Jewess, and they followed his friend John E. Goodwin (q.v.) to California, where, until 1911, Mitchell headed the Order Department in the Stanford University Library.

His next move was to Berkeley. Except for a year (1926-1927) of teaching library science at the University of Michigan, Mitchell remained there, in the University of California, for the rest of his life. As head of the Library's Accessions Department (1911-1919), associate university librarian (1919-1926), and as the founding director, then dean of the School of Librarianship (1927-1946), Mitchell became respected as a man who could be trusted with people and libraries.

His research was horticultural rather than bibliographical. He became one of the West's best gardeners and writers on gardening and plant breeding. His prize iris, La Purissima, was as lovely as its name. Flower shows drew him as well as library conferences. He was president of both the California Library Association (1938-1939) and the California Horticultural Society (1933-1943), and for many years he edited the Society's *Journal*. He became internationally famous and received numerous awards and medals as an iris