Addendum to the Forehand Family Genealogy Report

The Alley, Booker, and Allen Family Connections

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Introduction

This Addendum will report on the Alley, Booker, and Allen families as they connect to the Forehand and Willis families. A combination of resources was used to compile this report. First and foremost, the census data from 1850 to 1930 was used. This was supplemented with online Public Family Trees compiled by other researchers and placed online at www.ancestry.com. Since other public family trees can sometimes contain errors, cross referencing with actual census data is important. The following discussion of the Alley, Booker, Allen, and allied families is thought to be accurate from 1850 to the present. Histories shown before 1850 were extracted from the research or others. These are subject to errors and inaccuracies. That data must be recognized as being possibly inaccurate.

Note that tables are used to show families. If the name of a person in the table is in **Bold** type, that indicates he/she is the family member who continues the tree being reported. When you see and name in Bold, look at the next few tables to see his/her family.

Two Pedigree diagrams can be found towards the end of this Addendum and should be referenced as this and all other Forehand/Willis reports are read.

Alley Family

The Alley family connects to the Forehand family by way of the marriage of Lillian Katherine Alley to George William Forehand, Sr.

1860

Unfortunately, data for the Alley family is not plentiful before 1900.

In 1860, a Willis Alley, age 3, and Martha Alley, age 6, were found living with Elizabeth Alley, age 40 on a farm in Nashville, Davidson County, TN, with two other families. A total of 12 people were living on this farm. As you will see later, we will be focusing on a Willis H. Alley. It is not possible now to determine if Willis Alley, age 3 in 1860, is the Willis H. Alley being tracked in this report. However, the approximate birth year for Willis per the census (1857) matches favorably to his birth date found in his death certificate (19 July 1856). It is feasible that Willis' father died and Willis, his mother, and sister were taken in by the farm family of Elijah and Mary Turner.

If this is the correct Alley family, then we can say that Elizabeth Alley was widowed after her two children, Willis and Martha, were born. This would have occurred in the time frame of 1856 to 1860. Then, she and her two children went to live on the farm of Elijah and Mary Turner. Her husband's name is unknown. Here is a chart of the family:

| 1860 | | | | |
|-----------------|-----|-------|----|-------|
| Name | Age | Born | In | Notes |
| Elizabeth Alley | 40 | ~1820 | TN | |
| Martha Alley | 6 | ~1854 | TN | |
| Willis Alley | 3 | ~1857 | TN | |

Note: In many of the following tables, a **Born** date is calculated by subtracting the census-given age from the census year. When this occurs, that date is indicated with a \sim (approximately) sign (ie, \sim 1820). In the tables that follow, if an actual birth date is known for an individual, that date will be shown in the table instead of a calculated date.

1870 and 1880 and 1890

For reasons unknown, Willis, Martha, and Elizabeth Alley could not be identified in the 1870 and 1880 census data. The 1890 census data was lost in a fire. With the exception of 1890, if someone cannot be found in a census, it is usually caused by one of the following reasons: 1) one or more pages of the census were either lost or destroyed or were unreadable, or 2) their surname was severely misspelled.

Interestingly, a W.D. Alley, age 22, was found in Robertson County, TN, in 1880. He was a boarder and farm hand. His calculated birthdate of 1858 somewhat matches other references to his age. It cannot be determined if this is the Willis Alley being tracked in this report. However, by 1900, the data is substantially more accurate.

1900

In the 1900 census, a Willis H. Alley is found living with his family in Nashville, Davidson County, Tennessee. They lived in a home at 1716 Scovel St. Family inputs plus one or more Public Family Trees on ancestry.com suggest that this is the correct family. Here is the family in 1900:

| 1900 | | | | |
|-----------------|-----|--------|----|-----------------------------------|
| Name | Age | Born | In | Notes |
| Willis H. Alley | 41 | 7/1858 | TN | occ: Fireman, Nashville city FD |
| | | | | birth date is probably 7/22/1856 |
| Kate or Katie | 36 | 7/1863 | TN | |
| Robert L. | 19 | 3/1881 | TN | occ: telegraph operator, railroad |
| Pearl L. | 15 | 6/1884 | TN | |
| Cornelius G. | 6 | 8/1893 | TN | or, Golden Cornelius |
| Katie L. | 1 | 9/1898 | TN | |

Note: only in the 1900 census, birth month and year were recorded.

They had been married 19 years in 1900 (marriage year about 1881). Kate had given birth to 5 children of which 4 survived. It is assumed that Cornelius G. is Cornelius Golden Alley (or Golden Cornelius Alley...both names have been found). Family members indicate that he was adopted but there is no evidence of this in the census data. Cornelius Golden Alley continued the family line.

It is thought that Willis' wife Kate is actually Katie Leona Unknown, born 22 July 1863 and died 2 March 1901 at age 37 in Nashville, TN. This data comes from a death record in the State of Tennessee Deaths and Burials 1874-1995 database.

While Willis' birth year is given as July 1858 in the 1900 census it is believed that his birthdate is actually 19 July 1856 based on his death certificate. We will assume 1856.

Cornelius G. Alley continued the family line.

<u>1910</u>

In 1910, the Willis H. Alley family is found living in Nashville, Davidson Co, TN, now at 466 Humphrey St, as follows:

| 1910 | | | | |
|-------------------|-----|-----------|-------------|--------------------------------|
| Name | Age | Born | In | Notes |
| Willis H. Alley | 48 | 7/19/1856 | TN | occ: tinner at tin shop |
| Pauline Gafferner | 25 | 2/9/1885 | Switzerland | |
| Golden C. | 16 | 8/1893 | TN | occ: call boy at railroad yard |
| Katie | 11 | 9/1898 | TN | |

However, Willis is now married to Pauline. Her surname is Gafferner according to Willis' Death Certificate. An actual marriage date was not found.

They had been married less than a year in 1910 and this data shows that this was Willis' second marriage and Pauline's first. As we saw earlier, Willis' first wife Katie died at age 37 on 2 March 1901.

Pauline's birth location was written as "Ger-Switzerland" in the census, as were her parents'. Later data indicates she was born in Switzerland. The notation probably means that she spoke German and was from Switzerland.

Willis' first two children, Robert and Pearl, were apparently out of the house and on their own by 1910.

<u>1920</u>

By 1920, the Alley and Booker families had come together by way of the marriage of Golden Cornelius Alley and Ollie Mae Booker.

Interestingly, Golden Cornelius and his wife Ollie May, along with Golden's brother Robert and his wife Lucy were all living in the household of their parents Willis and Pauline. Their address was 1044 Fourth Ave South in Nashville, Davidson County, TN:

| 1920 | | | | |
|-----------------|-----|-----------|-------------|----------------------------------|
| Name | Age | Born | In | Notes |
| Willis H. Alley | 60 | 7/19/1856 | TN | occ: Watchman in mill |
| Pauline | 36 | 2/9/1885 | Switzerland | |
| | | | | |
| Robert L | 38 | ~1882 | TN | occ: telegraph operator railroad |
| | | | | Son of Willis |
| Lucy C. | 30 | ~1890 | TN | Daughter in law to Willis |
| | | | | |
| Golden C. | 26 | 8/1893 | TN | occ: Switchman at railroad yard |
| | | | | Son of Willis |
| Ollie | 27 | ~1893 | TN | Daughter-in-law to Willis |

They rented their home.

Pauline indicated that she had immigrated to the US in 1902 and that she was born in Switzerland as were her parents.

There is a family story that Golden Cornelius was married once before he married Ollie May Booker and that there was a son Williard born of this marriage. So far, that story cannot be verified with data. This marriage would have to have occurred between 1910 and 1919.

1930

In 1930, we find Golden Allen and his wife and family in Nashville, TN, as follows:

| 1930 | | | | |
|-----------------|-----|--------|----|---------------------------------------|
| Name | Age | Born | In | Notes |
| Golden C. Alley | 36 | 8/1893 | | occ: switchman, steam railroad |
| Ollie M. | 36 | 8/1893 | | |
| Ollie M. | 9 | ~1921 | | Actual date confirmed to be 9/13/1920 |
| Lillian K. | 8 | ~1922 | | Actual date confirmed to be 3/12/1922 |
| ? | | | | |

They lived in a rented duplex at 31 Carroll Street and paid a rent of \$17 per month. The census data showed that they married at the ages of 24 (marriage date approximately 1918). Another

source showed that Golden and Ollie married on 5 March 1919. An exact birthdate for Golden was never found...only 8/1893 was found.

In addition, in 1930, Willis and Pauline were living in Nashville, Davidson Co, TN, at 64 University St., with daughter Catherine and her husband and daughter:

| 1930 | | | | |
|-----------------------|-----|-----------|-------------|--|
| Name | Age | Born | In | Notes |
| Willis H. Alley | 69 | 7/19/1856 | TN | occ: night watchman (private) |
| Pauline | 48 | 2/9/1885 | Switzerland | |
| Walter A. Thalmann | 31 | ~1899 | TN | Occ: auto mechanic Son-in-law to Willis |
| | 20 | 1000 | TTD I | |
| Catherine L. Thalmann | 30 | ~1900 | TN | Daughter to Willis |
| Margaret E. Thalmann | 4 | ~1926 | TN | Granddaughter to Willis |

They appeared to be living in a boarding house or similar dwelling with other families. Their rent was \$30/month.

The data suggested that Willis and Pauline had been married 20 years making their marriage in about 1910.

Walter Thalmann was born in TN but his father was Swiss.

<u>After 1930</u>

Willis H. Alley died on 19 June 1940 while residing at 1404 Elmwood Ave in Nashville, TN. His death certificate stated that he was born on 19 July 1856.

Pauline Alley, his wife, died at the same location on 9 October 1943 at the age of 58. Her death certificate stated that she was born in Switzerland on 9 February 1885.

Lillian K. (Katherine) Alley married George William Forehand, Sr. The rest of this story can be found in the Forehand family report.

The Booker Family

The Booker family is included in this report because Ollie May Booker married Cornelius Golden Alley. One of their daughters, Lillian Katherine Alley married into the Forehand family.

Before 1860

So far, information on the Booker family prior to 1860 cannot be found.

1860

In 1860, Serina or Sarenia Booker, a widow, was found living in Hickman Co, TN, with who are assumed to be three of her children. (As you will see, both name spellings have been found in the census.) No reference to this family can be found in the 1850 census. Here is that family:

| 1860 | | | | |
|----------------|-----|-------|----|-------|
| Name | Age | Born | In | Notes |
| Sarenia Booker | 50 | ~1810 | TN | |
| Susanah | 21 | ~1839 | TN | |
| James | 17 | ~1843 | TN | |
| Amanda E. | 4 | ~1856 | TN | |

What happened to her husband is unknown except to say he died between about 1856 and 1860.

A Betsy (or Betty) Booker, age 26, lived nearby to Sarenia along with Thomas Booker (first name difficult to read), age 12. The relationship of these two people to Sarenia is unknown but based on age, Betsy could be a daughter to Sarenia.

We will see that James Booker continues this family line. Thus, his name is in Bold type.

1870

In 1870, we find that Sarenia's son James Booker has married and has children of his own and they are living in Hickman Co, TN. Their Post Office is Pine Woods, TN. He is a farmer. Here is the family:

| 1870 | | | | |
|----------------|------|-------|----|--------------------|
| Name | Age | Born | In | Notes |
| Jas. A. Booker | 26 | ~1844 | TN | |
| Amanda A. | 24 | ~1846 | TN | Amanda A. Davidson |
| William B. | 5 | ~1865 | TN | |
| Mary S. | | | TN | |
| Letta J. | 2 mo | ~1870 | TN | |

Census data reveals that both James and Amanda could not read or write.

Also, James' mother Serina (note spelling difference) is living nearby to James. Serina's household included (probably) her daughter and 3 grandchildren:

| 1870 | | | | |
|---------------|-----|-------|----|--------------------------|
| Name | Age | Born | In | Notes |
| Serina Booker | 62 | ~1808 | TN | |
| Anna | 29 | ~1841 | TN | Daughter of Serina? |
| Miles | 8 | ~1862 | TN | Grandson of Serina? |
| Hester J. | 5 | ~1865 | TN | Grandson of Serina? |
| Elizabeth | 2 | ~1868 | TN | Granddaughter of Serina? |

1880

By 1880, the James Booker family had grown to nine members and they were still living on a farm in Hickman Co, TN;

| 1880 | | | | |
|------------------|-----|-------|----|--------------------|
| Name | Age | Born | In | Notes |
| J.A. Booker | 37 | ~1843 | TN | James A. Booker |
| M.A. | 31 | ~1849 | TN | Probably Amanda A. |
| W.B. (William) | 14 | ~1866 | TN | |
| M.S. (Mary S.) | 12 | ~1868 | TN | |
| L.J. (Letta J.) | 9 | ~1871 | TN | |
| A.T. | 7 | ~1873 | TN | |
| G.R. (George R.) | 5 | ~1875 | TN | |
| J.B. | 2 | ~1878 | TN | |
| John | 1 | ~1879 | TN | |

The census taker recorded only the first and middle name initials. The names in parenthesis are taken from other records.

James lived nearby by to Ann Booker, age 40, and her 3 children. Sarenia (or Serina) Booker was not found in the 1880 census suggesting that maybe she had died before 1880.

1890

The 1890 census data was lost in a fire.

<u>1900</u>

In 1900, we find that the James Booker family has grown to 11 children of which 6 are still at home:

| 1900 | | | | |
|------------------|-----|--------|----|-------|
| Name | Age | Born | In | Notes |
| James. A. Booker | 53 | 3/1847 | TN | |
| Manda | 50 | 4/1850 | TN | |
| George R. | 24 | 3/1876 | TN | |
| John | 20 | 3/1880 | TN | |
| James V. | 19 | 2/1881 | TN | |
| Tee | 17 | 6/1882 | TN | |
| Arminta | 15 | 2/1885 | TN | |
| Ollie | 11 | 2/1889 | TN | |

Again, the family was living in Hickman Co, TN, but the town is not noted. James was a farmer.

Census data also indicted they were married for 27 years (marriage ~1873) and that Manda had given birth 11 children of which 10 survived by 1900. It is not clear which child died.

The number of years of marriage as reported in 1900 is in dispute. A marriage record for James and Amanda found in the Tennessee State Marriages 1780 – 2002 database shows they were married in Dickson Co, TN, on about 28 December 1864. This makes more sense because their first child was born in about 1865. We will assume the 1864 date is correct.

Finally, James and his family were living nearby to Alexander Booker and his family and to Bradley Booker and his family. Again the relationship of these two families to the Booker family is not known.

James and Manda Booker's youngest child, Ollie, married Golden Cornelius Alley to continue the branch being reported here.

1910

In 1910, we find James and his family living on Bon Agua Rd in Hickman Co, TN, still farming:

| 1910 | | | | |
|-----------------|-----|-------|----|-------|
| Name | Age | Born | In | Notes |
| James A. Booker | 68 | ~1842 | TN | |
| Mandy A. | 62 | ~1848 | TN | |
| T.T. | 25 | ~1885 | TN | |
| Ollie | 19 | ~1891 | TN | |

The records showed that they had been married for 45 years (marriage about 1865). Their actual marriage year was 1864 as we saw earlier.

Also, they were still living nearby to Alexander Booker (age 37), and Bradley Booker (age 40).

<u>1920</u>

In 1920, James Booker and his wife and son are living in Hickman Co, TN, as follows:

| 1920 | | | | |
|------------|-----|------|----|-------|
| Name | Age | Born | In | Notes |
| Jim Booker | 77 | | TN | |
| Manda | 71 | | TN | |
| John | 40 | | TN | |

The Alley and Booker families finally come together by 1920 by way of the marriage of Ollie Mae Booker to Golden Cornelius (or Cornelius Golden) Alley in about 1919.

Interestingly, as we saw earlier, Willis and Pauline Alley and two of their sons and their wives were all living in the same rented household in Nashville, Davidson Co, TN, in 1910. Their address was 1044 Fourth Ave South. Here are those three families:

| 1920 | | | | |
|-----------------|-----|-----------|-------------|-----------------------------------|
| Name | Age | Born | In | Notes |
| Willis H. Alley | 60 | 7/19/1856 | TN | occ: watchman in mill |
| Pauline | 36 | 2/9/1885 | Switzerland | |
| | | | | |
| Robert L. | 38 | 3/1891 | TN | occ: telegraph operator, railroad |
| | | | | Son of Willis |
| Lucy | 30 | 6/1884 | TN | Daughter-in-law of Willis |
| | | | | |
| Golden C. | 26 | 8/3/1894 | TN | occ: switchman, railroad |
| | | | | Son of Willis |
| Ollie | 27 | 2/1889 | TN | Daughter-in-law of Willis |

Census data again indicated that Pauline came to the US in 1902 from Switzerland and could speak the English language, but not read it.

1930

In 1930, we find that Amanda Booker is living with her daughter Mittie and her husband John E. Wood in Hickman County:

| 1930 | | | | |
|---------------|-----|-------|----|------------------------------------|
| Name | Age | Born | In | Notes |
| John E. Wood | 66 | | TN | Occ: physician |
| Mittie Wood | 40 | ~1890 | TN | |
| Amanda Booker | 81 | ~1849 | TN | Mother in law, ie, Mittie's mother |

Amanda Booker's death certificate indicates she died in Bon Agua, TN, on 25 November 1933 at the age of 84 years and 11 months. Her husband James had died prior to her death. The death certificate had spaces to indicate the deceased mother and father's names but since it was filled out incorrectly, Amanda's parents cannot be determined at this time.

A death certificate or death records for James A. Booker could not be found, so his death date is unknown.

It is not clear who Mittie is. She was born at about the same time as Ollie but did not appear in any of the previous census. She could be Arminta who appeared in the 1900 census but her age in 1900 (15) does not fit with her age in 1930 (40).

Also, in 1930, we find Golden C. Allen and his wife Ollie May Booker Alley, and family, living in Nashville, TN, as follows:

| 1930 | | | | |
|-----------------|-----|--------|----|--------------------------------|
| Name | Age | Born | In | Notes |
| Golden C. Alley | 36 | 8/1893 | | occ: switchman, steam railroad |
| Ollie M. | 36 | 8/1893 | | |
| Ollie M. | 9 | ~1921 | | |
| Lillian K. | 8 | ~1922 | | |

They lived in a rented duplex at 31 Carroll Street and paid a rent of \$17 per month. They married at the ages of 24 (marriage date approximately 1918). Another source showed that Golden and Ollie married on 5 March 1919.

Finally, in 1930, we find Willis and Pauline living at 64 University St, Nashville, Davidson Co, TN with their daughter Katie (Catherine) and her husband and daughter:

| 1930 | | | | |
|--------------------|-----|-----------|-------------|-------------------------|
| Name | Age | Born | In | Notes |
| Willis H. Alley | 69 | 7/19/1856 | TN | occ: night watchman |
| Pauline | 48 | 2/9/1885 | Switzerland | |
| Walter A. Thalmann | 31 | ~1899 | | Son-in-law of Willis - |
| | | | | Auto mechanic |
| Catherine L. | 30 | ~1900 | | Daughter of Willis |
| Margaret E. | 4 | ~1926 | | Granddaughter of Willis |

- Willis and his extended family lived in a multifamily home and paid \$30 per month in rent.
- Willis and Pauline had been married 20 years.
- Walter Thalmann was born in TN but his father was Swiss.

After 1930

Lillian K. (Katherine) Alley married George William Forehand, Sr. The rest of this story can be found in the Forehand family report.

James and Amanda Booker Complete Family

Since this family was large and we only looked at it in pieces in the previous paragraphs, here is the complete James A. Booker family:

| Name | Born | In | Notes |
|--------------------|--------|----|-------|
| James. A. Booker | 3/1847 | TN | |
| Amanda A. Davidson | 4/1850 | TN | |
| William B. | ~1866 | TN | |
| Mary S. | ~1868 | TN | |
| Letta J. | ~1870 | TN | |
| A.T. | ~1873 | TN | Alex? |
| George R. | 3/1876 | TN | |
| J.B. | ~1878 | TN | |
| John | 3/1880 | TN | |
| James V. | 2/1881 | TN | |
| Tee Thanning | 6/1882 | TN | |
| Arminta | 2/1885 | TN | |
| Ollie | 2/1889 | TN | |

Amanda (Manda) had 11 children of which one died. It is not clear which one of the above children died.

James and Amanda were married in Dickson Co, TN, on 28 December 1864.

Allen Family

The Allen family connects to the Willis family by way of the marriage of Patty Brown Allen to Richard Harold Willis. Here is what is known about this Allen family.

1850

The first Allen family member in this line that can be found that connects to the Willis family is Arch (perhaps Archy or Archibald) Allen. Arch Allen and his wife Elizabeth are found living in Smith County, TN, in 1850:

| 1850 | | | | |
|------------|-----|-------|----|----------------------|
| Name | Age | Born | In | Notes |
| Arch Allen | 37 | ~1813 | NC | |
| Elizabeth | 35 | ~1815 | TN | Elizabeth Jones |
| James | 11 | ~1839 | TN | |
| Elizabeth | 10 | ~1840 | TN | |
| Marion | 7 | ~1843 | TN | Francis Marion Allen |
| Jane | 5 | ~1845 | TN | |

Arch's occupation was listed as "laborer' and he valued his real estate at \$400.

The Tennessee State Marriages 1780 - 2002 database contains entries that suggest that Arch was married twice. The first of his two wives, Elizabeth Jones, is noted above in his family profile in 1850. We will look at his second wife later in this report.

Also, an Allen Jones and a Gilbert Jones, both 30 years old, and their families were living next door. This relationship is unknown but they have the same surname as Arch's wife Elizabeth Jones.

We will see that Marion is actually Francis Marion Allen who continues this Allen family line.

1860

In 1860, the Arch Allen family is found in DeKalb Co, TN as follows:

| 1860 | | | | |
|--------------|-----|-------|----|----------------|
| Name | Age | Born | In | Notes |
| Archer Allen | 45 | ~1815 | NC | |
| Elizabeth | 50 | ~1810 | NC | Elizabeth Boan |
| James W. | 21 | ~1839 | TN | |
| Elizabeth | 18 | ~1842 | TN | |
| Francis M. | 16 | ~1844 | TN | Francis Marion |
| Manirva | 14 | ~1846 | TN | Probably Jane |
| Henry | 9 | ~1851 | TN | |

Archer was a farmer and listed his real estate at \$1200 and his personal property at \$600. The census showed that neither he nor his wife could write.

He still lived next door to Allen Jones and his family.

A record was found for Archer Allen in the Civil War records. He apparently enlisted on 13 June 1862 in the 7th Cavalry Battalion Tennessee.

By 1860, Arch Allen was married to his second wife, Elizabeth Boan. While the name Jones and Boan sound somewhat alike, we find two different marriages for Arch in the Tennessee State Marriages records:

- 1. Married Elizabeth Jones on 15 March 1838, Smith Co, TN.
- 2. Married Elizabeth Boan on 5 January 1858, Smith Co, TN.

Archy's 5 children were born to his first wife, Elizabeth Jones. Based on the above census data, his first wife died between 1851 and 1858. Elizabeth Jones is his wife in 1850 while Elizabeth Boan is his wife in 1860 and later.

1870

In 1870, the Archy Allen family is found living on a farm in DeKalb Co, TN:

| 1870 | | | | |
|------------------|-----|-------|----|-----------------------------|
| Name | Age | Born | In | Notes |
| Archy Allen | 66 | ~1804 | NC | |
| Elizabeth | 60 | ~1810 | TN | Elizabeth Boan |
| Francis | 26 | ~1844 | TN | Francis Marion Allen |
| Jane | 24 | ~1846 | TN | |
| Henry | 18 | ~1852 | TN | |
| Elizabeth Carney | 29 | ~1841 | TN | Daughter of Archy – a widow |
| Elizabeth Carney | 6 | ~1864 | TN | Granddaughter to Archy |

Archy was a farmer. He valued his real estate at \$900 and his personal property at about \$800.

Elizabeth Carney and her daughter Elizabeth were living with Archy and his family in 1870. She is a daughter of Archy and Elizabeth, and is a widow.

Note: The age differences between Archy and his wives present a confusion that must be discussed. Archy is 2 years older than his first wife Elizabeth Jones as shown in 1850. This is not the problem, however.

Apparently Archy married Elizabeth Boan in 1858 and the 1860 census shows him to be 5 years younger than his wife. However, the 1870 census says he is 6 years older, and in 1880, the census

says he is one year older. It is thought that this is a recording error by the census takers even though the numbers are written clearly on the census documents.

In addition, census data shows that Arch is 66 years old in both 1870 and 1880.

It is clear that the above mentioned Arch Allen families in 1860, 1870, and 1880 are the same family based on the ages and names of the children. So, the age issue is not critical but needs resolution. Unfortunately, birth records for Archy Allen and Elizabeth Jones cannot be found in the ancestry.com databases.

We will assume that the 1860 census is correct and that Arch's age in 1870 should be 56, not 66. We will also assume that Elizabeth's ages in 1860 and 1870 are correct at 50 and 60 and that her age listed in 1880 is incorrect and should be 70. This makes Archy's birth year 1815 and Elizabeth's birth year 1810.

Francis Marion Allen carried on the family line.

1880

In 1880, A.B (Arch) and Elizabeth Allen are still living in DeKalb Co, TN. He is a farmer. Here is his family:

| 1880 | | | | |
|------------------|----------|-------|----|--------------------------|
| Name | Age | Born | In | Notes |
| A.B. Allen | 66 | ~1814 | NC | |
| Elizabeth | 65 or 70 | ~1810 | NC | Elizabeth Boan |
| Betsey | 35 | ~1845 | | Widowed daughter of Arch |
| Nina Jane | 30 | ~1850 | | |
| Elizabeth Carney | 16 | ~1864 | TN | Granddaughter to Archy |

From the above discussion on age, it is thought that A.B. Allen's age is correct at 66 while Elizabeth's age should be 70.

Francis Allen was listed as Marion Allen in the 1850 census. In the 1860 and later census, he was listed as Francis.

By 1880, Francis M. (Marion) Allen was married and had a daughter of his own. He was a farmer. In addition, his parents and brother Henry were living nearby since they were all found on the same page of the census. The following table lists all of these Allen family members:

| 1880 | | | | |
|------------------|-----|-------|----|-----------------------------|
| Name | Age | Born | In | Notes |
| Francis M. Allen | 36 | ~1844 | TN | |
| Matilda | 26 | ~1854 | TX | Matilda F. McCullough |
| Luella G. | 5 | ~1875 | TN | |
| | | | | |
| A.B. Allen | 66 | ~1814 | NC | Arch or Archy or Archer |
| Elizabeth | 65 | ~1815 | TN | |
| Betsey C. | 35 | ~1845 | | Daughter Elizabeth of Archy |
| Nerva Jane | 30 | ~1850 | TN | |
| Elizabeth Carney | 16 | ~1852 | TN | Granddaughter to A.B. |
| | | | | Daughter of Betsey |
| | | | | |
| Henry Allen | 27 | ~1853 | | Son of Archy (A.B.) |
| Sarah | 22 | ~1858 | | |
| Susan | 7 | ~1873 | | |
| Archy B. | 5 | ~1875 | | |
| Amanda Aline | 1 | ~1876 | | |

A.B.'s daughter Betsey is the same person as Elizabeth, age 10, in the 1850 census. It is possible that Nerva Jane is the same person as Jane listed in the 1850 census but there is a 5 year discrepancy in her age. One public family tree suggests that there was another daughter, Nina Jane Allen.

According to one Public Family Tree, Archer B. Allen died in DeKalb Co, TN on 21 June 1889 and that his parents were Archibald P. Allen (1784 – 1873) and Sarah Booker (1793 – 1875). A death record cannot be found for Arch Allen.

1890

The 1890 census was destroyed by a fire.

1900

This Allen family cannot be found in the 1900 census. They next appear in the 1910 census. This is unfortunate because the 1900 census recorded the month and year of birth. Also, this omission leaves an undocumented 30 year gap in the family between 1880 and 1910. It is unknown why the entire Allen family is missing from the census. Perhaps the name Allen was misspelled by the census taker or transcriber. Perhaps the pages recording the family were lost or destroyed. The search was expanded to the national level but this Allen family was not found.

<u>1910</u>

In 1910, Francis M Allen and his wife were living on a farm in DeKalb Co, TN:

| 1910 | | | | |
|---------------|-----|-------|----|-------|
| Name | Age | Born | In | Notes |
| Francis Allen | 67 | ~1843 | TN | |
| Matilda | 54 | ~1856 | TN | |
| James L. | 21 | ~1889 | TN | |
| William R. | 16 | ~1894 | TN | |

Records show that Francis and Matilda had been married for 34 years in 1910 (marriage year ~1875 or 1876) and that she had given birth to 10 children of whom 8 survived. So far, due to the unavailability of the 1900 census data, only 4 children can be identified.

This chart is an incomplete summary of the Francis Allen family:

| Name | Born | In | Notes |
|---------------|-------|----|-------|
| Francis Allen | ~1843 | TN | |
| Matilda | ~1856 | TN | |
| Luella G. | ~1875 | TN | |
| ? | | | |
| ? | | | |
| ? | | | |
| ? | | | |
| ? | | | |
| ? | | | |
| Joe Tom | ~1888 | | |
| James | ~1889 | TN | |
| William R. | ~1894 | TN | |

William R. (Robert) continued the family line.

<u>1920</u>

In 1920, we find Francis and Matilda Allen living on a farm in Alexandria, DeKalb Co, TN, as follows:

| 1920 | | | | |
|---------------|----------|-------|----|----------------------------|
| Name | Age | Born | In | Notes |
| Francis Allen | 76 | ~1844 | TN | |
| Matilda | 60 or 66 | ~1860 | TN | |
| Jim L. | 31 | ~1889 | TN | Son of Francis and Matilda |
| | | | | A widower |

Per the census records, Francis and Matilda could not read or write. Also, they owned their home on Edgewood St in Alexandria.

It is thought that Matilda's age was recorded incorrectly and that it should be 66 rather than 60 as stated in the census.

Also, in 1920, we find William R Allen and his wife Annie and young family living on a rented farm on Dry Branch Road in DeKalb County, TN:

| 1920 | | | | |
|------------------|-------|-------|----|------------------|
| Name | Age | Born | In | Notes |
| William R. Allen | 26 | ~1894 | TN | |
| Annie M. | 23 | ~1897 | TN | Mona Anne Martin |
| Robert L. | 6 | | TN | |
| Ophfelia | 2y5mo | | TN | |

Francis Marion Allen died in 1923. His death certificate provided the following information:

Name: Francis Allen Born: 1 July 1842

Died: 17 March 1923 in Alexandria, DeKalb Co, TN

Father: Arch Allen, born in VA Mother: Lizzie Jones, born in TN

1930

Finally, by 1930, William Robert Allen and his wife had moved to Old Hickory Town(ship), Davidson Co, TN:

| 1930 | | | | |
|---------------------|-------|-------|----|----------------------|
| Name | Age | Born | In | Notes |
| Robert Allen | 35 | ~1895 | TN | William Robert Allen |
| Monia | 30 | ~1900 | TN | Mona Anne Martin |
| Robert Lee | 13 | ~1917 | TN | |
| Ophelia | 11 | ~1919 | TN | |
| Annie Lucile | 9 | ~1921 | TN | |
| Johnnie (dau) | 6 | ~1924 | TN | |
| Pattie Brown | 4y2mo | ~1926 | TN | |
| Martin | 13mo | ~1929 | TN | |

Robert rented his home at 1509 Cleve St (near Lawrence St) in Old Hickory Town(ship) for \$12.50 per month (Note: the name Cleve is a best guess due to handwriting).

The data showed that Robert was age 19 and Monia was 14 when they married. That places their marriage at about 1916.

Robert was employed as a spinner at a silk mill in Nashville.

The names Monia and Annie are as found on the census sheets. The family reports that her complete maiden name was Mona Anne Martin. If the census taker recorded accurately what he heard (and this was not always the case) then these might be nick names used at the time.

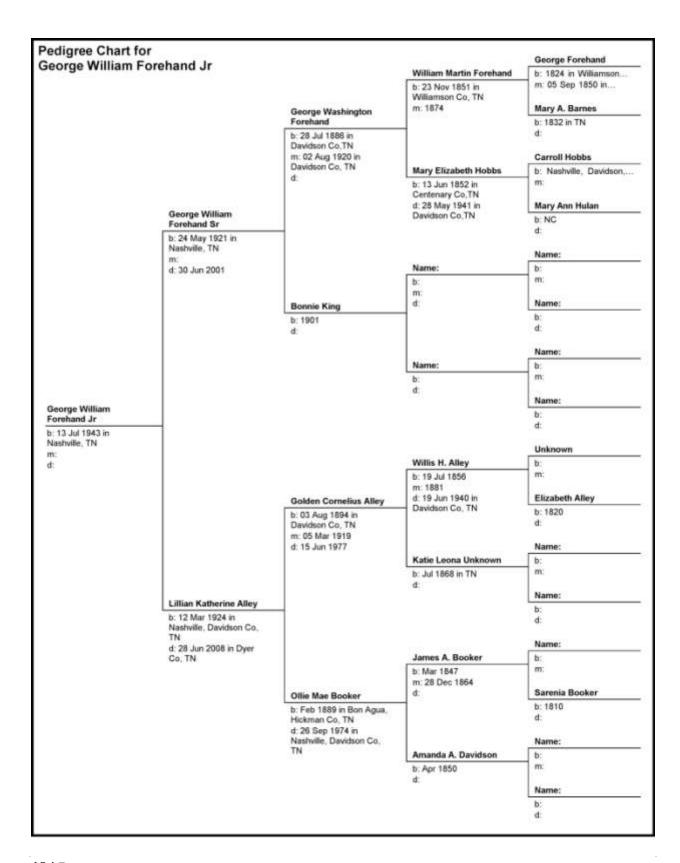
After 1930

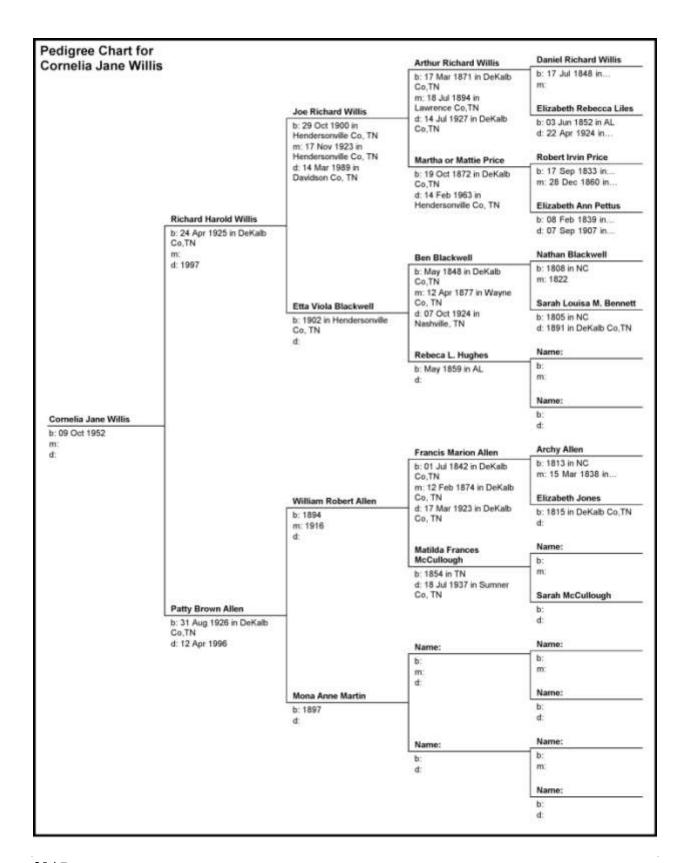
The complete Robert Allen family is shown here:

| Name | Born | In | Notes |
|-------------------------|-------|----|-------|
| Robert Allen | ~1895 | TN | |
| Monia | ~1900 | TN | |
| Robert Lee | ~1917 | TN | |
| Ophelia Corrine | ~1919 | TN | |
| Anne Lucile | ~1921 | TN | |
| Johnnie Blackburn (dau) | ~1924 | TN | |
| Pattie Brown | ~1926 | TN | |
| James Martin | ~1929 | TN | |
| Freda Jean | ? | | |
| Harold Eason | ? | | |

No census data after 1930 has yet been released for public use.

Pattie Brown Allen married Richard Harold Willis. One of their children is Cornelia Jane Willis. The rest of this story can be found in the Willis family report.





Discussion about Native American Heritage in the Booker and Allen Families

Family members have reported that two members of this extended family are part Native American. They report that Ollie Mae Booker and William Robert Allen have roots in Native American cultures, specifically the Cherokee nation.

The above family tree pedigree diagrams show Ollie Mae Booker and William Robert Allen and their ancestors. So far, the writer has not been able to show that anyone in these trees is Native American. This does not mean that they are not. It just means that the data to support this is not available. Tracking and identifying Native American heritage is difficult.

For the Booker family, only Ollie mays mother and father and paternal grandmother were found. However, very little data was found on these people. Their names are not typical of Native American names. These names are Americanized and no mention has been made, both in census data and in the public family trees, of any NA heritage. Merely looking at a name does not give clues that the person is descended from NA roots.

For the Allen family, we have a similar problem. These families lead to William Robert Allen:

| Name | Notes |
|------------|--|
| Allen | Cannot find Allen family prior to 1813 – No NA references found so far |
| Martin | Cannot find Martin Family prior to 1897 - No NA references found so far |
| McCullough | Cannot find McCullough family prior to 1854- No NA references found so far |
| Boan | Cannot find Boan family prior to 1815 - No NA references found so far |
| Jones | Cannot find Jones family prior to 1815 - No NA references found so far |

According to http://www.accessgenealogy.com/native/census/

The first federal decennial census that clearly identifies any Native Americans is the 1860 census. The instructions to the 1860 census enumerators defined who was to be counted and who was not:

Indians not taxed are not to be enumerated. The families of Indians who have renounced tribal rule, and who under state or territory laws exercise the rights of citizens, are to be enumerated.

Most genealogy guides that address Native Americans in the census incorrectly state that the first federal decennial census in which at least a portion of the Indian population is enumerated is 1870. Although the 1870 census schedule is the first to list "Indian" as a choice in the column heading for "Color," Native Americans were enumerated earlier. Even though the 1860 census schedule does not include

"Indian" as a choice in the column heading for "Color," enumerators nevertheless followed the instructions cited in the previous paragraph and recorded more than 40,000 Indians.

An assortment of Indian Territory Census data is available, including:

- 1860 Federal census of the Indian Territory <u>www.usgwararchives.net</u>
- 1880 Cherokee Census www.accessgenealogy.com
- Indian Census Rolls 1885 1940 www.ancestry.com

No one from the Ollie Mae Booker or William Robert Allen trees can be found in these censuses.

Here is a collection of notes about how the US Census was conducted regarding Native Americans, copied verbatim from www.accessgenealogy.com (census rules link)

Census Rules (1850 to 1930):

The following are the instructions given to enumerators regarding Indians...When you read these, you will see the method that was used in an attempt to make Indians invisible if not non-existent...except when it was useful for the whites...The 1880 instructions, for instance, make it clear Indians were to be counted for the purpose of gaining representatives for the states, but not to be counted as Indians...And contrary to what you may believe, people were required to co-operate with census takers and threatened with paying a "penalty" for breaking the law if they refused...

1850 Census:

Indians not taxed are not to be enumerated in this or any other schedule.

1860 Census:

5. Indians. - Indians not taxed are not to be enumerated. The families of Indians who have renounced tribal rule, and who under State or Territorial laws exercise the rights of citizens, are to be enumerated. In all such cases write "Ind." opposite their names, in column 6, under heading "Color."

1870 Census:

Indians. "Indians not taxed" are not to be enumerated on schedule 1. Indians out of their tribal relations, and exercising the rights of citizens under State or Territorial laws, will be included. In all cases write "Ind." in the column for "Color." Although no provision is made for the enumeration of "Indians not taxed," it is highly desirable, for statistical purposes, that the number of such persons not living upon reservations should be known. Assistant marshals are therefore requested, where such persons are found within their subdivisions, to make a separate memorandum of names, with sex and age, and embody the same in a special report to the census office.

1880 Census:

Indians

By the phrase "Indians not taxed" is meant Indians living on reservations under the care of Government agents, or roaming individually, or in bands, over settled tracts of country.

Indians, not in tribal relations, whether full-bloods or half-breeds, who are found mingled with the white population, residing in white families, engaged as servants or laborers, or living in huts or wigwams on the outskirts of towns or settlements are to be regarded as a part of the ordinary

population of the country for the constitutional purpose of the apportionment of Representatives among the States, and are to be embraced in the enumeration.

1890 Census:

4. Whether white, black, mulatto. quadroon, octoroon, Chinese, Japanese, or Indian. "Write white, black, mulatto, quadroon, octoroon, Chinese, Japanese, or Indian, according to the color or race of the person enumerated. Be particularly careful to distinguish between blacks, mulattos, quadroons, and octoroons. The word "black" should be used to describe those persons who have three-fourths or more black blood; "mulatto," those persons who have from three-eighths to five-eighths black blood; "quadroon," those persons who have one-fourth black blood; and "octoroon," those persons who have one-eighth or any trace of black blood.

1900 Census:

126. Column 5. Color or race. "Write "W" for white; "B" for black (negro or of negro descent); "Ch" for Chinese; "JP" for Japanese, and "In" for Indian, as the case may be.

1910 Census:

108. Column 6. Color or race. "Write "W" for white; "B" for black; "Mu" for mulatto; "Ch" for Chinese; "Jp" for Japanese; "In" for Indian. For all persons not falling within one of these classes, write "Ot" (for other), and write on the left-hand margin of the schedule the race of the person so indicated.

109. For census purposes, the term "black" (B) includes all persons who are evidently full-blooded negroes, while the term "mulatto" (Mu) includes all other persons having some proportion or perceptible trace of negro blood.

1920 Census:

121. For census purposes the term "black" (B) includes all Negroes of full blood, while the term "mulatto" (Mu) includes all Negroes having some proportion of white blood

1930 Census:

150. Column 12. Color or race.-Write "W" for white, "B" for black; "Mus" for mulatto; "In" for Indian; "Ch" for Chinese; "Jp" for Japanese; "Fil" for Filipino; "Hin" for Hindu; "Kor" for Korean. For a person of any other race, write the race in full.

- 151. Negroes.-A person of mixed white and Negro blood should be returned as a Negro, no matter how small the percentage of Negro blood. Both black and mulatto persons are to be returned as Negroes, without distinction. A person of mixed Indian and Negro blood should be returned a Negro, unless the Indian blood predominates and the status as an Indian is generally accepted in the community.
- 152. Indians.- A person of mixed white and Indian blood should be returned as Indian, except where the percentage of Indian blood is very small, or where he is regarded as a white person by those in the community where he lives. (Se par. 151 for mixed Indian and Negro.)
- 153. For a person reported as Indian in column 12, report is to be made in column 19 as to whether "full blood" or "mixed blood," and in column 20 the name of the tribe is to be reported. For Indians, columns 19 and 20 are thus to be used to indicate the degree of Indian blood and the tribe, instead of the birthplace of father and mother.
- 154. Mexicans. Practically all Mexican laborers are of a racial mixture difficult to classify, though usually well recognized in the localities where they are found. In order to obtain separate figures for this racial group, it has been decided that all person born in Mexico, or having parents

born in Mexico, who are not definitely white, Negro, Indian, Chinese, or Japanese, should be returned as Mexican ("Mex").

155. Other mixed races.-Any mixture of white and nonwhite should be reported according to the nonwhite parent. Mixtures of colored races should be reported according to the race of the father, except Negro-Indian (see par. 151).

A very brief history of the Cherokee people

A powerful detached tribe of the <u>Iroquoian family</u>, formerly holding the whole mountain region of the south Alleghenies, in southwest Virginia, western North Carolina and South Carolina, north Georgia, east Tennessee, and northeast Alabama, and claiming even to the Ohio River.

At the height of their prosperity gold was discovered near the present Dahlonega, Ga., within the limits of the Cherokee Nation, and at once a powerful agitation was begun for the removal of the Indians. After years of hopeless struggle under the leadership of their great chief, John Ross, they were compelled to submit to the inevitable, and by the treaty of New Echota, Dec. 29, 1835, the Cherokee sold their entire remaining territory and agreed to remove beyond the Mississippi to a country there to be set apart for them-the present (1890) Cherokee Nation in Indian Territory. The removal was accomplished in the winter of 1838-39, after considerable hardship and the loss of nearly one-fourth of their number, the unwilling Indians being driven out by military force and making the long journey on foot.

Images



Francis Marion Allen (1842-1923) and Matilda Frances McCullough Allen (1854-1937) B&W image colored with chalk in "Queen Ann Style" by EDCOITS Portraits in 1926.