**James Lee SUMMITT (1840-1927)**

**Summary**

James Lee SUMMITT was my paternal great-grandfather. When James Lee SUMMITT was born on October 1, 1840, in Monroe, Tennessee, his father, Jonathan, was 23 and his mother, Elizabeth, was 24. He married Amy Hannah REAGAN and they had six children together. He then married Lucy Frances WHITE and they had eight children together. He died on January 13, 1927, in Cardwell, Missouri, at the age of 86.

**His Life**

James Lee SUMMITT was born on October 1, 1840, in Monroe, Tennessee, to Elizabeth "Betty" Saphiro BUTLER, age 24, and Jonathan SUMMIT, age 23[[1]](#footnote-1). In October of 1840, William I resigned as king of the Netherlands, the first Hawaiian Constitution was proclaimed, and Maronite leader Bashir II surrendered to British forces and went into exile in Malta[[2]](#footnote-2).

In 1840, Monroe County, Tennessee, was a rural and largely agrarian community, typical of much of the southern United States during that period. The county, like most in Tennessee, was primarily involved in farming and the economy centered around agriculture. Corn, wheat, and livestock were likely the dominant forms of agricultural production.

The county had a modest population, with small towns and villages serving as the hubs of social and economic life. The population was predominantly white, but there was a significant number of African Americans, many of whom were enslaved, reflecting the social and economic structures of the pre-Civil War South.

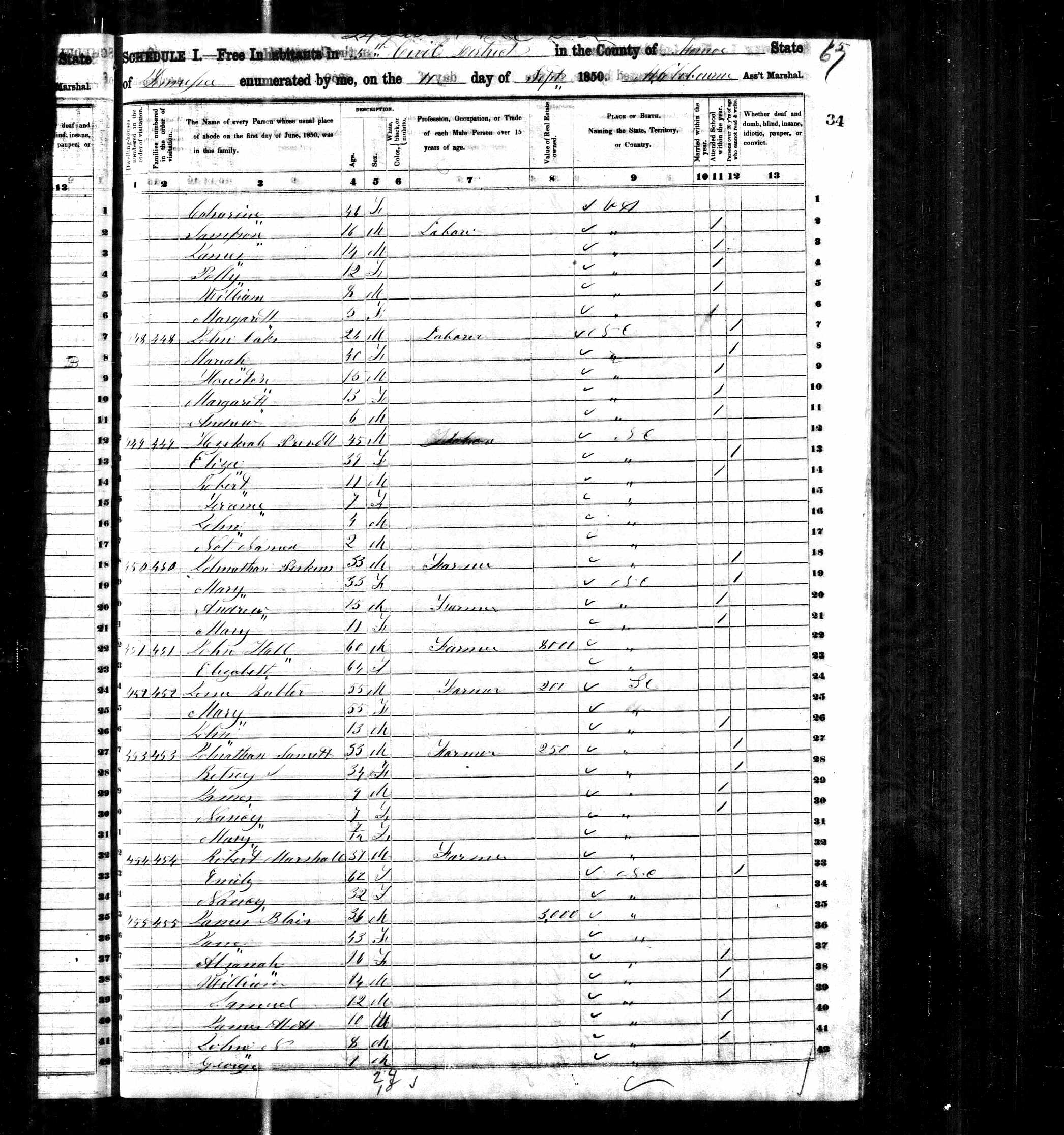
Infrastructure in 1840 was limited. Roads were mostly unpaved and there were few public buildings. Eastern Tennessee was still in the early stages of development, and the influence of the broader American economy and infrastructure, such as railroads and telegraphs, had not reached Monroe County in any significant way.

The forced removal of Native American populations, notably the Cherokee during the Trail of Tears in 1838-1839 had a profound impact on the area, including Monroe County, which was part of the Cherokee Nation's ancestral land.

James Lee’s sister, Nancy Jane, was born on August 22, 1842, in Monroe, Tennessee, when James Lee was 1 year old[[3]](#footnote-3). That month saw the Lombard Street Riot erupt in Philadelphia. The US-Canada border was defined by the Webster-Ashburton Treaty. The Second Seminole War was declared over by US Army Colonel Worth after nearly seven years. More than 3,000 Seminole Nation survivors were relocated from Florida to Oklahoma, with only about 300 allowed to remain. The United Kingdom and China sign the Treaty of Nanking, which ended the First Opium War[[4]](#footnote-4).

James Lee’s youngest sister, Mary Muhaly, was born on November 8, 1849, in Monroe, Tennessee, when James Lee was 9 years old[[5]](#footnote-5). The month of November saw Peter Burnett elected the first governor of California, and a Russian court sentenced Fyodor Dostoevsky to death for anti-government activities linked to a radical intellectual group. His sentence was later commuted to hard labor[[6]](#footnote-6).

James Lee SUMMITT lived in Monroe, Tennessee, in 1850[[7]](#footnote-7). He was nine years old and lived with his mother and father. Among the major events of the year, Senator Henry Clay drafted the [Compromise of 1850](https://www.onthisday.com/photos/compromise-of-1850) with the intention of defusing tensions between slave states and free states over territories won during the Mexican–American War. Daniel Webster later endorsed the Compromise. The SS Royal Adelaide sank in a storm. Two hundred people died. The US population hit 23,191,876. The Black population accounted for 15.7 percent of that number with 3,638,808. The paddle-wheeler "G P Griffith" burned off Mentor, Ohio. Two hundred six people died. [Millard Fillmore](https://www.onthisday.com/people/millard-fillmore) was sworn in as President of US, replacing Taylor. The US Congress passed the Fugitive Slave Law as part of the Compromise of 1850, which required slaves be returned to their owners. The slave trade was abolished in Washington, DC, but slavery was allowed to continue elsewhere in the country[[8]](#footnote-8).



1850 • District 5, Monroe, Tennessee

James Lee SUMMITT married Amy Hannah REAGAN in Monroe, Tennessee, on September 25, 1858, when he was seventeen years old. Amy was fourteen years old. The ceremony was officiated by W. H. Crawford of the C. P. Church[[9]](#footnote-9). Earlier in the year, French Emperor [Napoleon III](https://www.onthisday.com/people/napoleon-iii) escaped an attempt on his life made by Felice Orsini, an Italian patriot who was later executed. In April, Abolitionist [John Brown](https://www.onthisday.com/people/john-brown) met [Harriet Tubman](https://www.onthisday.com/people/harriet-tubman) at a Constitutional Convention convened in Chatham, Ontario. At the Battle of Azimghur, Mexicans defeat Spanish loyalists and later established their capital at Vera Cruz. Minnesota was admitted as the 32nd US state in May. In June, [Abraham Lincoln](https://www.onthisday.com/people/abraham-lincoln) stated "A house divided against itself cannot stand" while accepting the Illinois Republican Party's nomination for the US Senate. China ceded the north bank of the Amur River to Russia in the Treaty of Algun. The joint reading of [Charles Darwin](https://www.onthisday.com/people/charles-darwin) and [Alfred Russel Wallace](https://www.onthisday.com/people/alfred-russel-wallace)'s papers on evolution to the Linnean Society rendered the audience awestruck and silent. Partial emancipation of Russian serfs took place. Treaty of Amity and Commerce/Harris Treaty was signed between the US and Japan opening Japanese ports to trade. The government of India was transferred from the East India Company to the British Crown[[10]](#footnote-10).

A year later, James Lee’s son, William Henry, was born on September 28, 1859, in Tennessee[[11]](#footnote-11). Earlier in the year, the Mauna Loa volcano in Hawaii began an eruption that lasted for three hundred days. One of the oldest known copies of the Bible, "The Codex Sinaiticus" (Sinai Bible), was found in Egypt by Constantin von Tischendorf who took the manuscript home with him. The Arkansas legislature passed a law requiring free blacks in the state to choose exile or slavery. US Congressman Daniel E. Sickles was acquitted in the murder of Philip Barton Key, on grounds of "temporary insanity." The was the first time this defense was used successfully in the US. During the Second Italian War of Independence, the Battle of Magenta resulted in a French-Sardinian victory under [Napoleon III](https://www.onthisday.com/people/napoleon-iii) over the Austrians under Marshal Ferencz Gyulai. The Comstock Silver Lode in Nevada was discovered. This was the first major silver discovery in the US. Ambiguity in the Oregon Treaty led to the "Northwestern Boundary Dispute" between U.S. and British/Canadian settlers known as the “Pig War.” At the Battle of Solferino in Northern Italy, the French under [Napoleon III](https://www.onthisday.com/people/napoleon-iii) and a Sardinian army under [Victor Emmanuel II](https://www.onthisday.com/people/victor-emmanuel-ii) defeated the Austrian army led by Emperor [Franz Joseph I](https://www.onthisday.com/people/franz-joseph-i). Abolitionist [John Brown](https://www.onthisday.com/people/john-brown) led twenty-one men on a raid of the federal arsenal at Harpers Ferry, Virginia. Spain declared war on Morocco. Abolitionist [John Brown](https://www.onthisday.com/people/john-brown) was found guilty of murder, inciting slaves to revolt, and treason against the Virginia Territory during his raid of Harpers Ferry Armory. He was sentenced to hang. English naturalist [Charles Darwin](https://www.onthisday.com/people/charles-darwin) published "On the Origin of Species" which radically changed the view of evolution and laid the foundation for evolutionary biology. During the month of December, [John Brown](https://www.onthisday.com/people/john-brown) was hanged for murder, treason, and conspiring slaves to revolt at Charles Town, Virginia[[12]](#footnote-12).

James Lee’s son, Jonathan Lee, was born on March 15, 1862, in Tennessee[[13]](#footnote-13). By March of 1862, the American Civil War was well under way. On March third, Union forces under General Pope laid siege to New Madrid, Missouri. On the fifth, Union troops under Brigadier General Wright occupied Fernandina, Florida. The 6th through the 8th saw the Battle of Pea Ridge, also known as the Battle of Elkhorn Tavern. The battle ended on the 8th with a Confederate withdrawal. Also on the 8th, the Confederate ironclad "Merrimack" was launched. Off Hampton Roads, VA, the CSS Virginia, Jamestown, and Yorktown fought the USS Cumberland, Congress, and Monitor. The next day the Merrimack and the Monitor fought with the Merrimack withdrawing at the end of the day. [Abraham Lincoln](https://www.onthisday.com/people/abraham-lincoln) removed [George McClellan](https://www.onthisday.com/people/george-mcclellan) as General-in-Chief of the US Army. [Stonewall Jackson](https://www.onthisday.com/people/stonewall-jackson) began the evacuation of Winchester, Virginia. General Burnside took New Bern, North Carolina. The Battle of La Glorieta Pass in the New Mexico Territory took place. Another battle on the Mississippi River at Island #10 took place[[14]](#footnote-14).

James Lee SUMMITT served in the military on April 16, 1862, in Barbourville, Kentucky, when he was 21 years old.

Enrolled in Co. H, 5th Tennessee Infantry USA

16 Apr 1862 • Barbourville, Knox, Kentucky, USA

In April of 1862, enlistment in the Union Army during the American Civil War was a crucial and evolving aspect of the war effort. Here are some key points regarding enlistment during that time:

1. **Voluntary Enlistment**: By April 1862, enlistment in the Union Army was still primarily voluntary. The early enthusiasm for the war in 1861 had led to large numbers of men enlisting voluntarily, often spurred by patriotic fervor, community pressure, and the desire to preserve the Union.
2. **Enlistment Incentives**: As the war dragged on, the Union government began offering incentives to encourage enlistment. These included bounties (cash bonuses) for those who enlisted. Local governments and communities sometimes supplemented these bounties to encourage more men to join.
3. **The Militia Act of 1862**: Although this act was passed in July 1862, it was being debated and prepared in the spring. It allowed for the drafting of men into the militia and extended the service of existing soldiers. This marked a shift from voluntary enlistment to conscription, although the first draft wouldn't occur until 1863.
4. **Length of Service**: Initially, many soldiers had enlisted for short terms, such as three months or a year. By April 1862, it was clear the war would not be short, and enlistment periods were being extended. New recruits were typically enlisted for three years of service.
5. **Recruitment Challenges**: By this time, it was becoming increasingly challenging to recruit volunteers. The realities of war, including high casualties and the hardships of military life, were well-known, which dampened enthusiasm for enlistment.
6. **African American Enlistment**: In April 1862, African Americans were still largely barred from enlisting in the Union Army, although there were exceptions, particularly in the Navy. This would change later in 1862 with the issuance of the Emancipation Proclamation, which allowed for the enlistment of African American soldiers in large numbers.

Overall, enlistment in April 1862 was characterized by a combination of voluntary service, increasing incentives, and the beginning of a shift towards more formalized conscription as the Union sought to maintain and expand its army in the face of the ongoing and intensifying conflict.

  10 Nov

**1864**

Age 24

**Birth of daughter**

His daughter Nancy Jane was born on November 10, 1864, in Tennessee.

**[Nancy Jane SUMMITT](https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/person/tree/15293711/person/245004634)**

[1864–1886](https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/person/tree/15293711/person/245004634)

10 Nov 1864 • Tennessee, United States

 9 Dec

**1864**

Age 24

**Death of sister**

His sister Nancy Jane died on December 9, 1864, in Tennessee when James Lee was 24 years old.

**[Nancy Jane SUMMITT](https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/person/tree/15293711/person/245014520)**

[1842–1864](https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/person/tree/15293711/person/245014520)

9 Dec 1864 • Tennessee, United States

 26 Jan

**1868**

Age 27

**Birth of son**

His son Nathan Hargus was born on January 26, 1868, in Washington, Indiana.

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**[Nathan Hargus SUMMITT](https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/person/tree/15293711/person/245004635)**

[1868–1920](https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/person/tree/15293711/person/245004635)

26 Jan 1868 • Washington, Indiana, United States

 26 Sep

**1870**

Age 29

**Birth of son**

His son John Franklin was born on September 26, 1870, in Indiana.

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**[John Franklin SUMMITT](https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/person/tree/15293711/person/245004637)**

[1870–1920](https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/person/tree/15293711/person/245004637)

26 Sep 1870 • Indiana

** 1870**

Age 30

**Residence**

James Lee SUMMITT lived in Northeast, Indiana, in 1870.

1870 • Northeast, Orange, Indiana, United States

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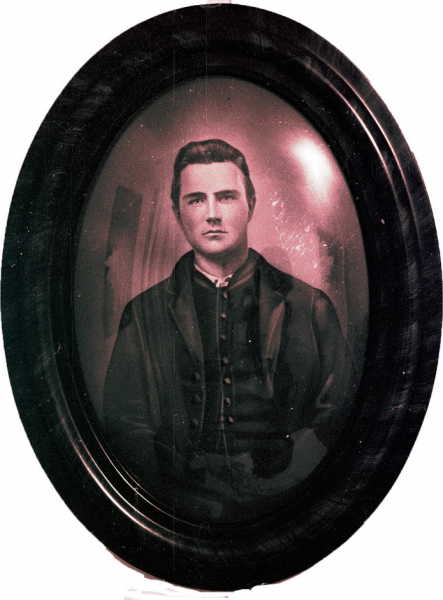
**1870**

Age 30

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**James Lee Summitt**

Portrait of James Lee Summitt owned by Paul M. Summitt

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 2 Feb

**1874**

Age 33

**Birth of son**

His son Robert Francis was born on February 2, 1874, in Tennessee.

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**[Robert Francis SUMMITT](https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/person/tree/15293711/person/245004638)**

[1874–1928](https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/person/tree/15293711/person/245004638)

2 Feb 1874 • Tennessee, USA

 22 Jul

**1882**

Age 41

**Death of wife**

His wife Amy Hannah passed away on July 22, 1882, in Dyersburg, Tennessee, at the age of 38. They had been married 23 years.

**[Amy Hannah REAGAN](https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/person/tree/15293711/person/245004626)**

[1843–1882](https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/person/tree/15293711/person/245004626)

22 Jul 1882 • Dyersburg, Dyer, Tennessee, United States

 10 Jan

**1883**

Age 42

**Marriage**

James Lee SUMMITT married Lucy Frances WHITE in Crockett, Tennessee, on January 10, 1883, when he was 42 years old.

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**[Lucy Frances WHITE](https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/person/tree/15293711/person/242478578)**

[1855–1922](https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/person/tree/15293711/person/242478578)

10 Jan 1883 • Crockett County, Tennessee

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What could James Lee have worn on his wedding day?

  10 Jan

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[1855–1922](https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/person/tree/15293711/person/242478578)

10 Jan 1883 • Crockett, Tennessee, United States

Beta

What could James Lee have worn on his wedding day?

  30 Nov

**1883**

Age 43

**Birth and death of son**

His son James A was born on November 30, 1883, and passed away that same day.

**[James A SUMMITT](https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/person/tree/15293711/person/20446499215)**

[1883–1883](https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/person/tree/15293711/person/20446499215)

30 Nov 1883 • Tennessee, United States

 2 Sep

**1885**

Age 44

**Birth of daughter**

His daughter Cordelia Elisabeth (Delia) was born on September 2, 1885, in Tennessee.

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**[Cordelia Elisabeth (Delia) SUMMITT](https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/person/tree/15293711/person/242478586)**

[1885–1924](https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/person/tree/15293711/person/242478586)

2 Sep 1885 • Tennessee, United States

 12 Aug

**1886**

Age 45

**Death of daughter**

His daughter Nancy Jane passed away on August 12, 1886, at the age of 21.

**[Nancy Jane SUMMITT](https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/person/tree/15293711/person/245004634)**

[1864–1886](https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/person/tree/15293711/person/245004634)

12 Aug 1886

 4 Mar

**1887**

Age 46

**Birth of son**

His son Chester Alba was born on March 4, 1887, in Dyersburg, Tennessee.

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**[Chester Alba SUMMITT](https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/person/tree/15293711/person/242457454)**

[1887–1970](https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/person/tree/15293711/person/242457454)

04 Mar 1887 • Dyersburg, Dyer County, Tennessee

 26 Jan

**1889**

Age 48

**Birth of son**

His son Joseph Homer was born on January 26, 1889, in Dyer, Tennessee.

**[Joseph Homer SUMMITT](https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/person/tree/15293711/person/242478582)**

[1889–1969](https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/person/tree/15293711/person/242478582)

26 Jan 1889 • Bruceville, Dyer County, Tennessee

 1 Apr

**1891**

Age 50

**Birth of son**

His son George Weekly was born on April 1, 1891, in Tennessee.

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**[George Weekly SUMMITT](https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/person/tree/15293711/person/242478592)**

[1891–1956](https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/person/tree/15293711/person/242478592)

1 Apr 1891 • Tennessee, United States

** 1891**

Age 51

**Residence**

James Lee SUMMITT lived in Dyer, Tennessee, in 1891.

1891 • Dyer County, TN

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  4 Oct

**1893**

Age 53

**Birth of son**

His son Virgil Anderson was born on October 4, 1893, in Tennessee.

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**[Virgil Anderson SUMMITT](https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/person/tree/15293711/person/242478595)**

[1893–1973](https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/person/tree/15293711/person/242478595)

4 Oct 1893 • Tennessee, United States

 17 Jun

**1896**

Age 55

**Death of father**

His father Jonathan passed away on June 17, 1896, at the age of 79.

[[](https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/person/tree/15293711/person/245004621)](https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/person/tree/15293711/person/245004621)

**[Jonathan SUMMIT](https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/person/tree/15293711/person/245004621)**

[1817–1896](https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/person/tree/15293711/person/245004621)

17 Jun 1896 • Vonore, Loudon, Tennessee, United States

 23 Sep

**1896**

Age 55

**Birth of daughter**

His daughter Elinor was born on September 23, 1896.

**[Elinor SUMMITT](https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/person/tree/15293711/person/245004649)**

[1896–](https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/person/tree/15293711/person/245004649)

23 Sep 1896

 23 Sep

**1896**

Age 55

**Birth of son**

His son Elsworth was born on September 23, 1896.

**[Elsworth SUMMITT](https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/person/tree/15293711/person/245004651)**

[1896–](https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/person/tree/15293711/person/245004651)

23 Sep 1896

** 1898**

Age 58

**Death of son**

His son William Henry passed away in 1898 at the age of 39.

**[William Henry SUMMITT](https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/person/tree/15293711/person/245004628)**

[1859–1898](https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/person/tree/15293711/person/245004628)

1898

** 1900**

Age 60

**Residence**

James Lee SUMMITT lived in Dyer, Tennessee, in 1900.

Age: 59; Marital Status: Married; Relation to Head of House: Head

1900 • Civil Districts 1, 3, Dyer, Tennessee

Beta

Tell me something about living in Dyer, Tennessee, USA at this time.

**  1900**

Age 60

**Residence**

James Lee SUMMITT lived in Dyer, Tennessee, in 1900.

1900 • Civil District 3, Dyer, Tennessee

Beta

Tell me something about living in Dyer, Tennessee, USA at this time.

  13 Sep

**1902**

Age 61

**Death of mother**

His mother Elizabeth "Betty" Saphiro passed away on September 13, 1902, in Loudon, Tennessee, at the age of 86.

**[Elizabeth "Betty" Saphiro BUTLER](https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/person/tree/15293711/person/245004623)**

[1816–1902](https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/person/tree/15293711/person/245004623)

13 Sep 1902 • Loudon, Loudon, Tennessee, United States

** 1910**

Age 70

**Residence**

James Lee SUMMITT lived in Dyer, Tennessee, in 1910.

1910 • Civil District 3, Dyer, Tennessee

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**1910**

Age 70

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** 1914**

Age 74

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1914

 22 Feb

**1920**

Age 79

**Death of son**

His son John Franklin passed away on February 22, 1920, in Henderson, Tennessee, at the age of 49.

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**[John Franklin SUMMITT](https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/person/tree/15293711/person/245004637)**

[1870–1920](https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/person/tree/15293711/person/245004637)

22 Feb 1920 • Henderson, Tennessee, United States

 24 Oct

**1920**

Age 80

**Death of son**

His son Nathan Hargus passed away on October 24, 1920, in Cardwell, Missouri, at the age of 52.

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**[Nathan Hargus SUMMITT](https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/person/tree/15293711/person/245004635)**

[1868–1920](https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/person/tree/15293711/person/245004635)

24 Oct 1920 • Cardwell, Dunklin, Missouri, United States

** 1920**

Age 80

**Residence**

James Lee SUMMITT lived in Dyer, Tennessee, in 1920.

1920 • Civil District 3, Dyer, Tennessee

Beta

Tell me something about living in Dyer, Tennessee, USA at this time.

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**1920**

Age 80

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**Unknown Burcham and James Lee Summitt**

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abt 1920

 29 Jun

**1922**

Age 81

**Death of wife**

His wife Lucy Frances passed away on June 29, 1922, in Dyersburg, Tennessee, at the age of 67. They had been married 39 years.

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**[Lucy Frances WHITE](https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/person/tree/15293711/person/242478578)**

[1855–1922](https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/person/tree/15293711/person/242478578)

29 Jun 1922 • Dyersburg, Dyer, Tennessee, United States

 26 Jun

**1924**

Age 83

**Death of daughter**

His daughter Cordelia Elisabeth (Delia) passed away on June 26, 1924, in Dyer, Tennessee, at the age of 38.

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**[Cordelia Elisabeth (Delia) SUMMITT](https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/person/tree/15293711/person/242478586)**

[1885–1924](https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/person/tree/15293711/person/242478586)

26Jun1924 • Dyer, Tennessee, United States

 13 Jan

**1927**

Age 86

**Death**

James Lee SUMMITT died on January 13, 1927, in Cardwell, Missouri, when he was 86 years old.

Heart failure and senility

13 Jan 1927 • Cardwell, Dunklin, Missouri, United States

Beta

What was Cardwell, Missouri, USA like at this time?

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**Military**

James Lee SUMMITT served in the military in Tennessee.

Tennessee

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