# The Summitt Family Quarterly



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# From The Editor:

As we start this third year of publication for this newsletter, I want to thank each of you for your continued support of this project. Each of you make these newsletters possible. Your interest in the family history, in where we all came from, allows this method of information distribution to continue and I personally thank each and every one

I started going through the family Bible (Betty Sofia Butler Summitt's Bible) around 1970. I remember seeing all of those names and wondering just who those people

When I bought books that told me how I was "supposed" to trace the family history, I started keeping better records. For a while, I had all of the family history on my Atari 800XL computer (that little toy is long gone) and now I'm inputting everyone into BroderBund's Family Tree Maker. I have over 500 names in the computer now tracable to Francis is some way.

The point is that the methods we use

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Happy Mother's Day! This issue of the Summitt Family Quarterly is dedicated to the women of this family. To our mothers, our sisters, and our wives; thank you for being there.

### CORRECTION

In previous issues, I have stated that James Lee Summitt's birthdate was October 14, 1840. This was based on my reading of his birthdate in Betty S. (Butler) Summitt's Family Bible. Recently, because of a entry of October 1, 1840 in James Lee Summit's Civil War pension application, I was given cause to look at that entry again. I have determined that what I took to be "4" several years ago, is actually an "st". I have now changed his birthdate in all my documents to October 1, 1840.

> This issue also begins the third year of publication for the Summitt

# The Summitt Women

In putting this issue together, I've tried to pick those Summitt women that met the following criteria.

- 1. I had to have some information about
- 2. I was looking for more information about
- 3. I have been asked for more information by other members of the family about these women.

Please keep in mind that these choices were mine and mine alone and were based on these three criteria.

### Nancy Jane Pardue

Nancy Jane Summitt Pardue was the second child of Jonathan and Betty S. (Butler) Summitt. Her birthdate is recorded in Betty Summitt's Family Bible as being August 22, 1842 and she was born in Tenessee. She had one older brother (James Lee Summitt) and one vounger sister (Mary Muhaly Summitt). Nancy Jane married J. Pardue on April 5, 1860. (Does anyone know his full name?) They had two children. The first was Martha Pardue and was born August 30, 1860. The second was James M. Pardue and was born December 30, 1862. Nancy Jane (Summitt) Pardue died on December 9, 1864. In previous discussions with Paul C. Summitt, we have come to suspect that Nancy Jane probably died in childbirth. J. Pardue apparently left the children with Jonathan and Betty Sophia Summitt (the grandparents). The children show up in both the 1870 and 1880 census as members of Jonathan's household. Betty seems to have scratched J. Pardue's

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# BIRTHDATES & ANNIVERSARIES

Here are is a list of those birthdates and anniversaries that I have in my records.

April 7 Paul M. Summitt - 43 Dorthy L. Summitt - 33 Mary S. & Bobby Fry - 47 April 8 William R. Summitt - 66 April 15 Mary C. Summitt -? April 16 Julia S. Miller - 40 April 25 Winona W. Summitt - 61 Ricky L. Summitt - 39 Amna Summitt - 73 May 5 Oscar R. Summitt - 100 May 6 Jo-Ann (Summitt) Marrs - 49 May 12 Margaret J. & Charles K. Summitt -42 May 14 Kathryn S. Tran - 39

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for how we keep the family history are going to be more and more important to us.

Glendola S. Harrison - 77

I will be placing all of the pictures from 1995's Summitt Reunion in Cardwell, Missouri on the Newsletter web page. If you want those pictures for your records, you can download them from there. I can also make them available on floppy disk for those interested. The video tape I shot at the 1995 reunion is also available if you are looking for a copy.

If you have pictures in computer format that we can use in the newsletter or on the web pages, please send them to me. Hopefully, I will see

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name out in her Bible
Also, on other note concerning Nancy Jane
Pardue. The name Pardue is spelled Pardue
in the family Bible but is spelled Pardew in
the 1880 census.

### **Mary Muhaly Summitt**

Mary Muhaly Summitt was born November 8, 1849. As described previously, Mary Muhaly Summitt had an older brother (James Lee Summitt) and an older sister (Nancy Jane Summitt Pardue). Her parents were Jonathan and Betty Summitt.

### **Nancy June Gunn**

Other than Mary Muhaly Summitt's birthdate, I have no further information concerning her. However, she may have married a man named Gunn as a Nancy June Gunn is listed in Betty's Family Bible. This child was born April 4, 1868 and died September 26, 1868.

# Amy Hannah (Reagan) Summitt

Amy Hannah Reagan was the first wife of James Lee Summitt. She was born November 4, 1843. Census reports suggest that she was born Indiana. She and James Lee were married in Monroe County, Tennessee on September 25, 1858 and had at least six children. She died on July 22, 1882.

One other note: I have seen Amy's last name spelled several different ways and am therefore not sure as to the correct spelling. The Marriage License records spell her name Reagan. This is the only official document I have found with her maiden name spelled out. Paul C. Summitt's records of James Lee Summitt's pension record have the name spelled Raguins.

# Lucy Francis (White) (Young) Summitt

Lucy Francis White was the second wife of James Lee Summitt. She was born on February 1, 1855 somewhere in Tennessee. Further discussion of Lucy White can be found starting on Page 3 of this issue in the

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Cordelia Elizabeth Summitt Beasley

#### Graveyard Cleaning at Mt. Ida

The last weekend of May there will be a decoration at the cemetary near Mt. Ida, Arkansas.Gary Summitt, of Memphis, will be there. He informs me that there will be some sort of pot luck dinner for the people who will be cleaning up the graves. Sorry, but that's all the information he could provide.

Received this message from Mary Jo Fry recently: "I don't know if your dad told you or the death of Horace Beasley or not. He was at our first reunion. His mom and dad were C. A. and Delia Summitt Beasley. Horace lived in Dyersburg, TN." (Someone please send me a obituary on Horace.)

# Letters & E-mail

These are email and letters that I have received since the last issue that concern the family history. These messages were edited to remove material that did not pertain to the family history. Otherwise, the information is as it was received.

From: MR SAM A THOMPSON

**Sent:** Sunday, February 02, 1997 12:36 PM

**To:** Paul Summitt Subject: family history

Paul,

Just got your newsletter and was very interested to see photo of my great great aunt, Lucy White. I have never seen her photo ... As you can see, I know very little about her and need any information available. Jaclyn mentioned in her article that Lucy may have had as many as 9 children by her previous marriage to Charlie Young. Does she have any further information on who they are or their names? Anything would be of great help to me. I do know that Lucy was probably the 4th of 6 children born to Peter Doss White (known as Dausey White) and Melinda Jane Hall. Dausey was probably born around 1823 in Tennessee and Melinda was born January 16, 1825, and I suspect in North Carolina. The 1860 census shows them living in Dyer County, Tennessee, ages 37 and 34, and Dausey was a blacksmith. An "L.F.", female, age 5 was listed as living in the household along with 4 other siblings. My great grandfather, her youngest brother, was not born until October 27, 1861. Dausey enlisted in Company B of the 47th Tenn. Inf. in the civil war and fought at several battles, including Shiloh. In May of 1863, his Confederate muster card shows that he deserted, and family lore has it that he went home, suffering from exposure and malnutrion. He supposedly died a few days after reaching the "old home place", which must have been in Dyer County. His grave site is unmarked and unknown, but my investigation leads me to believe he is buried in the old Bruceville Cemetery south of Dyersburg, now called the "Palestine Church Cemetery". I also believe this is where my Aunt Lucy is buried, also in an unmarked grave. I can find no cemetery plot map or anyone who knows where who is buried, but there is a grave of a Lonnie Edgar White in the cemetery, who was Lucy's nephew. Incidentally, there are Summitt graves in this cemetery. including an infant born of Virgil & Mattie Worrell. Something interesting about Melinda is that she is not buried in Dyer County, but rather in Gibson County, in the Olivers Chapel Cemetery near Idlewild, Tenn. She has a stone, but I do not know who erected it. It lists her as "Melinda Jane White" and says "Mother" over the top of her stone. Beside her are two more recent small stones which are engraved simply "White", and I can find no one to tell me who they are. Family lore has it that Melinda came from North Carolina and settled in what is now Crockett County, near a town named Elizabeth(no town exists but there is a community and a cemetery by that name with a lot of "Hall"s in it. Dyer County Register's office lists in deed book M, pg. 115 the recorded deed from a W.W.Biggs to P.D.White of an acre and a half of land in 1859. In deed book N @pg. 463, is listed the sale of that land, upon order of the county court and presumably for taxes, and lists as a widow "Matilda J. White" and lists Lucy F. White as a minor living with her. EARLY WEST TENNESSEE MARRIAGES, VOL.2, BRIDES, lists "White, Lucy to Charlie Young, 10-21-1870, Dyer County" and later a marriage to a "Jim Reagan, 5-25-1877, Dyer County". Lucy may have actually been married twice before marrying Jim Summitt in 1883! Family lore has it that she had at least one son by Charlie Young, named Doss Young. Do you know anything about this? Lucy's siblings were, Ann E., born 1850; Allen S., born 1851; Willis A., born 1854; Sarah Cordelia, born 2-1-1855 & died 7-29-1922 in Crosset, AR; and my great grandfather, Peter Doss White, born 10-27-1861 & died 4-18-1948 in Idlewild, TN. Ann E., Lucy's sister, married a man named J.M.Jackson on April 29, 1868, when she was about 18 years old, and supposedly they moved to Arkansas where she died.

Well, that's about all I know about Lucy, but I am eager to learn more. As I prowl the old cemeteries and court records, I will continue to update you. Please help with those photos or information if possible. Thanks!

Sam

#### Sam:

Since this message we have talked a couple of times on the phone and have sent emails back and forth but I thought I would respond here with some information that may be of assistance to others also.

In the thirteenth Census of the United States: 1910 Population, for Dyer County, TN, No. 3 District, Supervisor's District # 9, Enumeration District # 15, Sheet No. 10A, enumerated April 27, 1910 by Robt. P. Scabs, enumerator, the information provided in the Table at the top of Page 4 is made for James and Lucy.

| Bldg | Fam | NAME                 | Rel  |   |   |    |    |    |    |   |    |    |    |      |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |
|------|-----|----------------------|------|---|---|----|----|----|----|---|----|----|----|------|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 172  | 172 | Summitt,<br>James L. | Head | M | W | 69 | M2 | 27 |    |   | TN | TN | TN | Engl | F | Е | Y | Y | 0 | M | F |
|      |     | Lucy F.              | Wife | F | W | 54 | M2 | 27 | 12 | 8 | TN | US | US | Engl |   |   | Y | Y |   |   |   |
|      |     | George W.            | son  | M | W | 19 | S  |    |    |   | TN | TN | TN | Engl | F |   | Y | Y |   |   |   |
|      |     | Virgil A.            | son  | M | W | 17 | S  |    |    |   | TN | TN | TN | Engl | F |   | Y | Y |   |   |   |

Notice the M2 that signifies this is the second marriage for both of them.

Just as a point of interest, those interested in C.A. and Delia (Summitt) Beasley or Homer and Ada Summitt will find them listed on this same page in the census. See Page 7 of this issue for more on what can be found in that Census report.

From: INTERNET:PSumm@aol.com

Sent: Wednesday, February 19, 1997 1:19 AM To: INTERNET:GARY466@AOL.COM

**Cc:** 76270,551

Subject: John Francis Summit & related info

I do hope you find the information herein helpful. I have information on this line from various sources in my hard files, but this material was in almost unreadable form so I set out to put it on the computer. I have concluded the compiler was Nolene Summit Bobo in Mt. Ida, Arkansas. She is still alive and I exchange correspondence with her occasionally. I invited her to do a chapter for a Summit(t) book but she felt too buzy. Now I have found you!!!!

What may turn out to be fascinating is that I think Nolene had access—and may still—to family bibles and other family papers. I would love to get copies of that kind of material. The enclosed information on John Francis Summitt and descendents I think is largely self-explanatory from a file I put on my Microsoft Works program last year. As you can tell, I am also sending a copy of this information to Paul Moody Summitt so we will all have the same information to work with. I have been intending to do something on this line of Summitts for sometime for Paul Moody to publish in the Summitt Quarterly Newsletter but have just not been able to do it due to my move to Florida. I wanted to do it for my good friend, LaRue Summit Williford, who started Summit(t) research back in the 1960s and was the first to become a "Daughter of the American Revolution" based on a Summit(t) ancestor. My recollection is that she traced her line back through William Haskell. Please, also feel free to share with Rachael or anyone else you think can contribute to the effort. Maybe we can jointly do it. I wish my hard files were not back in Virginia. I hestitate to proceed to a finished product without access to all of my information on John Francis Summit & family. Incidentally, you may have noticed that many in this line still spell their name with one "t", including Gordon. I am from Searcy, Arkansas originally, but our family came from Southeast Missouri and Northwest Tennessee. Maybe when I come to Searcy sometime (my mother still lives there), you and I can rendezvous and go to Mt. Ida to talk to some of the still living Summits there.

The discussion of John Francis follows:

JOHN FRANCIS SUMMIT SON OF DANIEL SUMMIT (1826-1892)

Note: Information is taken from a family sheet that does not specifically identify the compiler. Internal evidence indicates it is probably compiled by Nolene Summit, daughter of Walter Roy Summit of Sims, Arkansas, son of Daniel Shaffer Summit also of Sims, Arkansas, son of John Francis Summit of Sims, Arkansas.

John Francis Summit, son of Daniel Summit, was born February 26, 1826, either in Jefferson or Monroe County, Tennessee. He died about 1892 in Sims, Arkansas and is buried in the Barber Cemetery, Northeast of Sims in Montomery Co. He was a member of the Church of God, having been received by his son Daniel Shaffer Summit at

Lone Valley in August 1880 at age 54. The compiler noted that "[i]t has been said that while at an Eldership, fall of 1915, at one of the neighboring churches Rev. D.S. Summit was in the pulpit preaching, when word came to him that his youngest son, Grover, had suddenly become critically ill. When he received the news, he only quoted from the scripture 'Let the dead bury the dead', and continued his sermon. When he reached home his wife, Mat, was almost hysterical but he spoke these words to her, 'The Lord giveth and the Lord taketh away'." John Francis, grandson of Francis Summit and son of Daniel Summit, is the ancestor DAR members LaRue Summit Williford and Lea Ann Summitt Locke descend from.

1<sup>st</sup> Wife. He married Emaline Shaffer, daughter of [ ], born in 1828 in Washington County, Virgina and died in Fanin County, Texas, ca 1863.

#### Children:

Rev. Daniel Shaffer, born July 20, 1848 in Monroe County, Tennessee, died January 3, 1922 in Sims, Montgomery County, Arkansas, and buried in Lone Valley Cemetery east of Sims about one mile. He was converted and baptized at Natural Dam in 1872, having been received by Rev. G. T. Bell. He was licensed to preach at an Eldership in Oxford School, Lamar County, Texas on October 4, 1876, according to according to a Church of God history. He was a member of Lone Valley Church of God, first pastoring there September 1886-1887; he was married to Martha (Mat) Adaline Pendergrass at HoneyGrove, Texas on March 13, 1867, born January 17, 1852 in Tennessee, died September 19, 1938 in Sims, Montgomery County, Arkansas, buried Lone Valley Cemetery East of Sims, converted and baptised 1878 at Salem (received by Rev. G. T. Bell) and a member of Lone Valley Church of God. Martha did not remarry after her husband's death. Daniel Shaffer Summit was a farmer, merchant and minister. He organized the Lone Valley Church of God. It has been said Rev. D. S. Summit received into the church and baptize his father, John Francis Summit and all of his own brothers. Children: Amanda Elizabeth J. (born January 18, 1869, died August 4, 1870 in Crawford County, Arkansas), Louisy (Lula) Matilda (born July 29, 1870, died September 1962 in Kerrville, Texas, married John Burns September 6, 1888), Mahala Octavia (born October 15, 1872 in Crawford County, Arkansas, died January 14, 1962 in Mameta, Texas, and buried Lone Valley Cemetary, Sims, Arkansas, 1st marriage to Black Phyllips October 29, 1891 and 2<sup>nd</sup> marriage to Wesley Warren date unknown), Henry James (born December 17, 1874, died August 24, 1958, and buried in Lone Valley Cemetery, Sims, Arkansas, married Nellie Dearman December 18, 1895 in Chule, Arkansas by Wm. Greens, J.P., father of Porter Granville Summit, William (Willie) Francis (born August 8, 1878, died August 21, 1960 in Hobbs, New Mexico, married Lula Crowell date and place unknown), Walter Roy (born October 16, 1882, died July 20, 1963 in Sims, Arkansas, married Lucinda Trapp July 24, 1902, home of her parents near Sims, Arkansas, had a daughter named Nolene Summit), Mary (Mollie) Angaline (born January 10, 1887 in Sims, Arkansas, died July 11, 1953 in Gibbsville, Montgomery County, Arkansas, buried at the Lone Valley Cemetery one mile east of Sims, Arkansas, married Ison Gibbs date and place unknown), Thomas Jefferson (Jeffie) (born August 16, 1887 in Sims, Arkansas, died April 26, 1895 in Sims, Arkansas, and buried in the Lone Valley Cemetery), Grover Cleveland (born February 25, 1892, ded September 12, 1915, and buried in the Lone Valley Cemetery, married Pearl Stephenson date and place unknown).

Kansada (or Kanzada or Cansada), born around 1851 [LaRue Williford noted this person to be Rachel Canzady, born June30, 1854 recorded in records of St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Monroe County, Tennessee;

Joseph Harrison, born July 21, 1852, died December 8, 1915 in Sims, Arkansas, and buried in the Barber Cemetary Northeast of Sims, married to Julia, Rev. James F. Summitt was a son;

#### William H.;

Dollie Ann, born January 8, 1857, died April 16, 1906 in Sims Arkansas, married Louis Miller (Sude) Barber March 1, 1877 in Mont gomery County residing in Sims, Arkansas who was born on January 6, 1856 in Illinois and died February 6, 1948 in Sims, Arkansas, both buried in Barber Cemetery Northeast of Sims. Children: Lee (born December 24, 1877, date of death unknown, buried in Amerson Cemetary, Montgomery County, Arkansas), Doshie (Dosh) Dollie (born January 16, 1880, died July 28, 1946, married John Hardy Carter), James (Ran) Randolph (born July 28, 1882, died February 26, 1925 near Sims, Arkansas, buried Barber Cemetary, married Mattie Carter January 6, 1901), Louis Ransom (born August 18, 1886, died in January in the 1960s, buried at Oden Cemetary, Montgomery County, Arkansas), Daniel (Newt) Newton (born December 12, 1888, thinks he was married to Peal Tedford January 19, 1912), Joseph Wesley (born November 15, 1890, married Pearl Stovall August 15, 1912), Dessie Leona (born November 15, 1893, married Avin Fair), Johnny William (born April 30, 1896, died May 14, 1896, buried in Barber Cemetary), Dewie (girl)(born February 1, 1898, died September 2, 1900, buried Barber Cemetary). Compiler Nolene Summit notes that a "part of the house where Uncle Sude and Aunt Dollie lived is still standing today. I guess it's one of the oldest buildings in the Sims Settlement. (June 1969)"

John Ballard, born December 19, 1858, died May 6, 1923 in Sims, Arkansas, and buried in Barber Cemetary

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Northeast of Sims, married to Rutha Jane Wheeler (born April I6, I869 and died april 26, 1949 in Sims, and buried Barber Cemetery), both belonged to the Lone Valley Church of God near Sims, Arkansas. He lost an eye while hunting (a bullet glanced off a rock and hit him in the eye) and later in life was totally blind. Children: Martha (date of birth unknown; she was burned to death when quite young); Ada (born January 23, 1888); John Francis (Frank)(born February 20, 1890, died January 14, 1961 in Sims, 1st marriage to Cora McCullah June 23, 1907 (no children) and second marriage to Alma Wood December 18, 1921); Dona (date of birth unknown, died of congestion); Dollie (date of death unknown, died at the age of 15 years and 3 days of pneumonia just 12 days before the death of the wife of John Francis Jr., Cora); Savanah (born October 15, 1894, died Februry 14, 1965 in Mt. Ida, Arkansas, married by Rev. James F. Summit to Walter Moody January 8, 1911); Oscar Riley (born April 10, 1896, married Octavia Manley February 9, 1922); George (Ollie) Oliver (born October 10, 1899, died summer 1951, in Watson, Arkansas, married Allie Townsand sister of Lavada); Daniel Louis (born February 1, 1902, died March 26, 1969, in Mt. Ida, Arkansas, married Lavada Townsand); Elijah Bryant (born January 22, 1905, married Selda Mabry); Elisha Steely (born January 22, 1905, married Essie Summit); Jacob Eusebuis (Sabe), born 1861 in Texas, died April 1920 in Montgomery County, Arkansas, and buried in Lone Valley cemetary; James F. (Jim), born probably 1863 in Texas and died 1906 or 1907 in Oklahoma.

2<sup>nd</sup> Wife. Mary Lacky (recorder not sure on this one). Compiler notes that converted the Church of God at the Lone Valley Church in July 1880 at age 39.

Children: Jane (probably Nancy Jane); Henry Oliver, who was killed in a car wreck in Phoenix, Arizona; and George W., died in Tulsa, Oklahoma in the 1950s.

George was the father of Granville Gene (Jack) Summitt a petroleum geologiest living in Corsicana Texas in 1989 who in turn is the father of DAR member Lea Ann Summitt Locke in Waco, Texas),

3<sup>rd</sup> Wife. Delitha (widow Moss; maiden name unknown). Married Frank Summit October 4, 1891, according to courthouse records at Mt. Ida, Arkansas.

Children: No children. She had two daughters by former marriage named Mary and Ellen.

Received the following letter regarding Gary's Email in last Newsletter:

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Please send to Gary-Rmail

John Ballard Summitt was my Grandfather's half brother.

My Grandfather was George Washington Summitt, the youngest child of John Francis Summitt of Sims, Arkansas.

Yours truly,

G.G. (Jack) Summitt

To: Paul M. Summitt From: Robert Shuping Subject: Summitt Name

I am Bob Shuping. My mother was MAUDELLA ALICE SUMMITT, born Catawba, North Carolina. She is now dead as is all her siblings. Her father was Alexander C. Summitt, originally of Catawba County, North Carolina. I will be doing family research presently. Do you have any ties to Catawba County? Granddad's father supposedly was an officer in the Confederate Army. Mother wasn't too free with her information for some reason. Please communicate with me. We have kin EVERYWHERE! Thanks loads.

To: Paul M. Summitt From: A. Lorraine Helms

Subject: Summitt Family Genealogy

Nancy Summitt, born February 17, 1814 in either Kentucky or Tennessee, married Jacob Bixler. I know that they lived in Cass County, Illinois in the 1830's and that they moved to Mercer County, Missouri during the 1850's. It seems they then moved back to Cass County for a while before moving to Crawford County, Kansæ. I have found census records for them in Cass County for 1850, Mercer County for 1860, and Crawford County for 1870, 1880, 1885, and 1895 (five-year Kansas census). I believe that in the 1860's they moved back to Menard or Cass County, IL since some of their children were married in Illinois and those counties were shown as the place where they were married. Once again, between 1870 and 1880, another child was married in Menard County, IL, so they either moved back for a whileor the children went back to get married.

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# Cordelia (Delia) Elizabeth (Summitt) Beasley

As I said earlier, in the thirteenth Census of the United States: 1910 Population, for Dyer County, TN, No. 3 District, Supervisor's District # 9, Enumeration District # 15, Sheet No. 10A, enumerated April 27, 1910 by Robt. P. Scabs, enumerator, the information provided in the Table below is made Cordelia (Delia) Elizabeth (Summitt) Beasley. Charles Beasley's entry is Building # 173, Family #173.

Beasley, Charles A. Head M W 29 M1 6 TN TN TN , Delia E. Wife W W 26 M1 6 3 2 TN TN TN , Doyle W. Son M W 2 TN TN TN , Eldon C. Son M W 4/12 TN TN TN , Betty Mother F W 69 Wd 10 6 TN US US

Beverly Tippett, who is a great-granddaughter of Cordelia has been working on the Beasley history and I hope that she will share some of her results with us in a future issue. Beverly's mother, Myrtice Beasley Grossklaus, was only three years old when Delia died after being struck

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Nancy died September 14, 1889. Jacob died the following year on September 16, 1890. They are both buried in McGonigal Cemetary in Lincoln Township, Crawford County, Kansas. At the time of Nancy's death, they had six boys and two girls living in Crawford County, and the eldest son living in Illinois. I believe there were more children, but that they died before the parents. In 1850, an Elizabeth was listed as being born in KY and aged 16. That would indicated that around 1834 they were probably still in Kentucky. The next child shown was born in Illinois according to the census. I think he was 14. That follows since I believe that on the Illinois land grant sales, it shows a Jacob Bixler buying land around 1836. So, I believe that between 1834 and 1836 is when they moved to Illinois.

Some of their children, I believe, were: Elizabeth, Martha Jane, Nancy, Sarah, Jonah Combs, William, Charles R., and John. There are other names listed on the census records but some may be variations of the above listed names. Some may also be grandchildren or other relatives.



### Chester A. Summitt

#### **Need Clarification:**

I have found two different spellings for Chester A. Summitt's middle name. The two spellings are Alby and Alba. If someone could clarify this for me, I would appreciate it.

Also, I'm looking for information concerning his other two marriages to complete information concerning these marriages in my files.

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# **SUMMITT FAMILY REUNION**

Hi! Can you believe two years has passed already? It's time for our second Summitt Family Reunion.

We will be meeting Saturday, July 5, 1997 in the Cardwell Community Building again. You can come as early as you like and stay as long as anyone will stay with you.

We will have David to cater our meal again. The cost per person will be sent later.

There are two motels in Paragould, AR, which is eleven miles from Cardwell. There is a Ramada Inn, Phone 501-239-2121 and a Best Western Rustic Inn, 501-239-2161.

For any who are campers, there is Crowley's Ridge State Park near Paragould. Camp sites have electrical hook-ups.

Please tell anyone you know who might be interested in coming. Everyone will be welcome. Please let us know as soon as possible how many will be coming so we will be able to prepare for you.

Send your response to: Mary Jo Fry

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or: Jeanne Peel

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> Sincerely Jo and Jeanne