

## STEWART FAMILY HISTORY

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I will begin with what I have on hand, the second part of my Father's, brothers and sisters, their children and grandchildren

Aunt Catherine Stewart, Katie we called her, was born May 8, 1820 in Wayne County Georgia, Daughter of James B and Catherine Courtney Keightley Stewart. Katie had dark hair and eyes. She was eight years old when her Mother re-married to Jacob Raulerson. Her Post Office address was Suwannee Shoals, Florida. Her girlhood home was a beautiful place in Wayne County, Georgia, close to the Little Satilla River. The yard was covered with Bermuda Grass, Shade Trees and a deep Clay Well. The water was so cold and good. It is now known as Baxter Lake. Aunt Katie's home in Florida, was a large two story place with a good many Negro Houses on the property. It had a deep well, but Aunt Katie said the water wasn't as good as her old home. She said she always wanted good ole Georgia Water. She was a member of the Primitive Baptist Church, but she was always a Methodist at heart. We all loved her so much. I could go on and on about her, but I must quit, as I would not have enough space to write about all the other Family Members.

The children born to Aunt Katie and Uncle George Washington Sylvester Waldron were...

Elias born 1841, Keightley, born 1845, George, born 1847, Newton Oliver born 1849, Courtney, born 1853, Franklin, born 1855. Elias went to School in the Country, and he might have gone to School in Lake City, Florida. He was in the Civil War, but I don't know what Company he was in. He carried my sister, Maria, home, when she was visiting Aunt Katie in 1859.

He married Miss Louvinia Woods in 1873. I have the names of their 8 children....Curtis, Kate, Idaall, Rhody, George, Louis, Elias, and Pearl.

Keightley Stewart Waldron went to School in the Country, I guess also to Lake City, Florida. He was a small boy, and while playing with a little Negro boy, got hit in the eye and put his eye out. That is why he didn't go to War. He married September 9, 1868, Frances Sanchez Stewart, whose first husband was Uncle Franklin Stewart, brother to Aunt Katie.

There was born to them one son, Simeon Roman, named for her two brothers. They lived at White Springs until 1895, then they moved to Galveston, Texas and were living there during the awful flood in 1900. It was through the prayers of Cousin Frances, that they and their house was saved. They were living with Roman and Simeon, Frances's brothers.. After the flood they moved to Dallas, Texas. Keightley was converted and joined the Baptist Church. He is now a Missionary Baptist Preacher. Simeon Roman, son of Keightley and Frances lived at White Springs. He traveled for Young and Company of Savannah about 1891. He married Miss Fay Culpepper of White Springs. They moved to Gavelston about 1895. They are now living in Dallas.

George Washington Waldron went to School in White Springs. He married Miss May Green about 1870. They had 4 children...Stewart, Colquitt, Newton and Maude Waldron.

Stewart went to School in White Springs and Lake City. He was very smart. He married Miss Moselle Bonnell. Colquitt died about 1894 or 1895.

Maud went to School in Lake City. She died about 1905, with Typhoid fever. Her Father grieved so over her death, he almost lost his mind.

Newton went to Key West. I believe he was Captain of a Boat. He first married Miss Lizzie Smith. She died about a year later and he married second, Miss Susie Knowles. There were 5 children born to them. Jeanie Courtney, James, Laura Knowles, Mollie Kate, and Elizabeth.

Jeanie Courtney went to School in White Springs and taught School there. She is now in Atlanta at St. Joseph's Infirmary, studying to be a Nurse. James is dead.

Susie died this Winter with Apoplexy, caused by running over to tell the lady of the Telford House that it was on fire. She was to stout and fat. Courtney died with brain fever.

Uncle Newton Stewart was born 1822. He was the only one of the children that resembled his Father (James B Stewart) He had Blue eyes and light hair. He was always making speeches about General Washington and Bonaparte....singing about when Bonaparte was on ths Isle of St. Helena. He married Miss Mary Crews of Wayne County, Georgia. There was born to them 7 children...Franklin, Katie, James, Newton, Mary, Elias, and Isom Stewart. All the

children had blue eyes and light hair, except Franklin, who had red hair. James and Mary went to the same School I did. Uncle Newton moved to Volusia County, Florida. Before Uncle Newton left Georgia, he had a very bad fall. He broke his shoulder blade and it left him with a stiff arm. After Uncle Newton left, I lost track of him, for a long time. Only through Aunt Katie, did I hear about him wanting to go to War. He enrolled Officers to enlist in the Army. He was not able to stand a Soldier's life. Uncle Newton and Aunt Mary died in the first part of 1895. There was not a month between their deaths. Uncle Newton had lost his mind and Aunt Mary was paralyzed. Before my Mother left the farm, we saw James. He was on his way to Savannah, with a drove of cows.. My sister, Courtney wrote to him after he went home, but she never heard from him. I found out through Uncle Wade Raulerson, where he lived. I wrote to him Dec. 13, 1894. I heard back from him. He had married Lorena Tomlinson about 1881. He was living in Mascotte, Florida. There were 9 children born to them.

Franklin Marion, Florida, Ada, Alline, Israel Putnam, Indiana, Dona Daisy, Minnie Lee, Mabelle, Isabelle, Belton and Velpo. The last two are at Camp Wheeler in Macon Georgia, Company D, 124 Infantry.

Mary Stewart married Mr. Henry Smith. They have 9 children. They live in Nocatee, Florida, Desota County.

Elias Stewart, born 1856, married Rachel Tomlinson. They have 7 children..James Keightley, Isabelle, Gordon, Colquitt, Newton, Gerald and Avery. Elias died 1909.

Newton married Nancy Harrell. They had Newton, Elias, Avery and Elonz and Mary. Newton died in 1893.

Franklin was in the War and married Miss Sara (Sallie) McLaughlin. They had 2 children, Jasper and Mary.

Katie Stewart married Mr. Peter Pellicier, April 1865. He was a Native of St. Augustine and a Confederate Soldier.They were Farmers and Members of the Roman Catholic church. They had 11 children...William Joseph, Johnny Anthony, Annie Rophenia, Steven, Peter Franklin, Eugene, Mary Catherine, Georgia, Albert, Augustus Newton, and James. Annie Rophenia married Mr. Higginbothom. They had 10 children...

Isom Stewart was born 1860. He married Miss Sarah (Sallie) Green They have no children.