

From Stan Herrin: In 1967 my Grandfather, John Jameson, "published" a small booklet titled "*Our Common Heritage; A Record of William Jameson's Family*". In his introduction, he writes "My special interest in the history of our family began in the summer of 1962 when our daughter asked me to write down those facts which I knew so that they would not be lost. I readily consented to do this but soon found my personal knowledge to be so limited that I wrote some letters to relatives for further information. The data received in reply to those letters, and the results of many other inquiries have been summarized on the following pages."

My mother, Nancy Jameson Herrin, she remembers traveling to Georgia and South Carolina when she was five, and meeting and talking to her distant relatives.

I have written the text regarding birth dates, locations, and family names. I have used several different sources, and could be wrong. I have included and credited Grandfather's text from "*Our Common Heritage*" describing each person.

Children of **Madison JAMESON** and **Elizabeth BRADLEY** are:

- i **Mary Jane JAMESON**, born 6 April, 1840, near Alpharetta, Cherokee Co, and died about 1926. She married **Ambrose PHILLIPS** about 1858. They had three children, **Rosetta Philips COLLINS**, **Nettie PHILLIPS**, and **Eugenia DAY**.

From *Our Common Heritage*: Aunt Mary Jane's husband was killed early in the Civil War while in military service. She maintained her ownership of and residence on the farm which they had bought before the war until her children were grown. She spent her later years in Roswell, Georgia, with her daughter, Nettie.

- ii **William Thomas JAMESON**, born 17 June 1842 near Alpharetta, Georgia and died 21 September 1862 in Warrenton, VA, and is buried in a mass grave in the Warrenton Cemetery.

From *Our Common Heritage*: He enlisted in the Confederate army as a Private in Company B, 38 Regular Georgia Voluntary Infantry and was wounded August 28, 1862 at the beginning of the second battle of Manassas. He died of these wounds in the military hospital at Warrenton, VA.

From Stan Herrin: At the second battle of Manassas, the 38 Regular Georgia Voluntary Infantry was part of Lawton's Brigade, under Ewell's command. The following site describes Lawton's Brigade during the second battle of Manassas: <http://fanaticus.org/GeorgiaBrigade/Chronology/1862/620828.html>.

William Jameson is buried in the mass confederate grave in the Warrenton Cemetery in Warrenton, VA. The Warrenton Cemetery is across the street from the visitor center off Route 17. More information on the Confederate Graves can be found on the following site: <http://users.erols.com/va-udc/wall.html>. I (Stan Herrin) attended the rededication in 1998.

I have inherited William's bible, which does not appear to have been carried by him during the civil war.

- iii **George Washington JAMESON**, born 21 April 1844 near Alpharetta, GA and died 20 July 1863 (Another record shows 13 August 1863) on the Mississippi River, and was buried in Cypress Grove Cemetery in New Orleans.

From *Our Common Heritage*: He volunteered for the Confederate Army in 1862. The military records indicate that he was sick during much of his service; and that he was too sick when captured at the surrender of Vicksburg to sign the necessary loyalty paper. He was taken on board a ship bound for New Orleans where he died. He was buried in Cypress Grove Cemetery in New Orleans. (The family record shows that he died of a relapse of measles.)

- iv **James Madison JAMESON**, born 22 January 1846 near Alpharetta, GA and died 2 April 1926 location unknown, and is buried in Ardmore, OK. He married (1) **Rebecca WALKER** about 1871 in Brenham TX, she died 11 March 1879. They had one child, **Samantha Annie JAMESON MERCER MATCHET**. He married (2) **Effie BRIGGS** 21 December 1887 in Indian Territory. They had four children **Ernest Madison JAMESON**, **William Thomas JAMESON**, **Mary Effie JAMESON** and a son who died at birth.

From *Our Common Heritage*: He was not old enough for military service at the beginning of the Civil War but served in the cavalry during the last year of that conflict. He returned home after the war ended and remained in that vicinity until 1870 when he moved to Brenham, Texas where he was first married. He farmed in the Brenham area until about ten years after the death of his first wife, after which he moved to Ardmore, Indian Territory, where he

acquired a variety of business interests. He was a trustee of the Confederate home in Ardmore at the time of his death.

- v **Rebecca Ann JAMESON**, born 12 December 1847 near Alpharetta, GA and died 19 May 1888 and is buried in Gainesville, TX. She married **William J. BELL**. They had four children. The first two died in infancy, then **William Luther BELL** and **Effie Albena BELL THAYER**.

From *Our Common Heritage*: After her marriage the family lived in Georgia until after the birth of their children and he husband had finished medical school. They then moved to Gainesville, TX, where he was a physician.

- vi **Susan Calista JAMESON**, born 21 September 1849 near Alpharetta, GA and died 11 February 1933, and is buried in Gainesville TX. She married (1) (?) **MASON or W. H. MANSELL** (SMH: grandfather was unsure), no children. She married (2) **Sam WORLEY**, and they had seven children, **Edna WORLEY, Minnie WORLEY, Maud WORLEY BAILEY, Dora WORLEY REEDY PETERS, Sue WORLEY, Walter WORLEY and Winnie WORLEY PULTE**. The first two children died during childhood.

From *Our Common Heritage*: Aunt Susan went to Brenham, TX about 1871 with her brother John. After her marriage to Sam Worley they moved to Gainesville where she reared her family.

- vii **John Marion JAMESON**, born 15 June 1851 near Alpharetta, GA and died 9 April 1929 and buried in Lexington, Oklahoma. He married **Virginia (Jenny) ASHTON** 26 January, 1892, location unknown. She was born in Texas and died in Oklahoma, and buried in Lexington, OK.

From *Our Common Heritage*: He grew up near Alpharetta but moved to Brenham, TX about 1871 with his sister, Susan, where he spent a comparatively short time before moving northward. After several intermediate stops and the elapse of several years he came to Elk, now Pooleville, Indian Territory, where he married. Not long thereafter the family moved to Purcell, Indian Territory, where he owned a ranch for several years. They were greatly saddened by the deaths of their three oldest children. After residing briefly at Chillicothe, TX and at Anadarko, OK, they moved to Lexington, OK in 1915 where he owned and operated a shoe repair shop until his death.

S. Herrin Comments: I have been told that Susan Calista Jameson was in a bad marriage, and her mother, Elizabeth Bradley Jameson, wanted John Marion to take Susan to Texas to get a divorce. John did not want to go. Eventually his mother prevailed and he took his sister to Texas, vowing he would not return to Georgia until after his mother was dead, and according to family tales, that is what happened.

John Marion Jameson was a stockman.

Nancy Jameson Herrin describes John Marion Jameson as a very well educated man, despite quitting school at the age of 11 to tend to the farm while his father and older brothers were off to war.

- viii **Amanda Francis JAMESON**, born 22 April 1853 near Alpharetta, GA and died 21 August 1900. She married **Lewis M. BALL** on October 11, 1871. They had six children, **George Collie BALL, Corrie Lenora BALL COKER, Minnie Nora BALL MOSELEY, James Madison BALL, Lena May BALL and Ira Lewis BALL**.

From *Our Common Heritage*: Aunt Amanda spent her life in Georgia. Her husband was a Baptist minister. She is said to have been more like her father than any of her sisters.

- ix **Sophronia Elizabeth JAMESON**, born 1 August 1857 near Alpharetta, GA and died 22 December 1922 and buried in Mount Hope Cemetery, Florence, SC. She married **William Harrison RAINWATER** on 27 January 1875. They had twelve children **William Madison RAINWATER, James Edgar RAINWATER, John Howard RAINWATER, Claude Harrison RAINWATER, Anna Pearl RAINWATER, Ira Sidney RAINWATER, Effie May RAINWATER RHODES, Doctor Chandler RAINWATER, Franklin Pierce RAINWATER, Cleo RAINWATER, Lois RAINWATER and Forest Glen RAINWATER**.

From *Our Common Heritage*: The family lived on a farm near Alpharetta until their children were born, after which they moved to Rochelle, GA where they lived for a few years. They then moved to Florence, SC where two of their sons already lived.

- x **Cornelia Samantha JAMESON**, born 22 October 1862 near Alpharetta, GA and died 11 November 1935 and is buried in Alpharetta, GA. She married **Joe MARTIN**. They had two children, **Era MARTIN** and **John M. MARTIN**.

From Our Common Heritage: She spent her life in the Alpharetta area. After the death of her husband she lived next door to her daughter, Era in Alpharetta. Her death followed a lengthy illness.