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THE STEVENSON - STEPHENSON FAMILY

The first Stevenson who came to Lauderdale County, Mississippi was CHARLES WESLEY STEVENSON, a native of South Carolina. Born in 1806, Charles was living in Alabama with his first wife when his two oldest children, Mary Jane and Judia, were born in 1836 and 1837. His oldest son, John L. Stevenson, was born in Mississippi in 1838. Another son, Henry, was born in 1842 but it is not known if Henry was the son of Charles' first or second wife.

Charles' second wife had a pretty name, but a difficult one to spell, and there are several versions of her name in differant records. It appears as Artemesia, Artemius, Aetemasa. Artemesia is listed as wife of Charles in 1850, 1860, and 1870 census of the county. They had a 'house full' of kids.

C. W. Stevenson appears on the early county poll tax records. His occupation is listed in the 1850 census as mechanic. He worked for a cotton gin manufacturer and sold and installed gins. He owned a farm that was located next to the farm of David M. Brown in what later became the Center Hill Community in Lauderdale County.

It was C.W. Stevenson who sold Samuel C. Hatcher of Pine Springs a gin in the spring of 1849. Stevenson told Hatcher that the gin could be paid for that fall after the cotton had been gathered. but Sam Hatcher died before the bill could be paid. Charles had to go to court while Hatcher's estate was being probated to collect the two bales of cotton Hatcher owed.

No record has been found to indicate when Charles or Artemesia died or where they were buried. The last record of them was in the 1870 census when Charles was 64 years old and Artemesia was 45.

In the 1860 census of Kemper County, Mississippi, there was a William H. Stevenson listed who was also born in South Carolina. William, born in 1812, was six years younger than Charles. William married a girl named Susan and raised a large family in Kemper Co. It is not known if he was a brother Charles. In fact, nothing is known of Charles W. Stevenson's family at this time.

Charles' children were as follows: (First three probably from 1st wife)

I. MARY JANE STEVENSON

Born: 1835, Alabama

Died:

Married: William Reed, Aug. 25, 1852, Lauderdale Co, Miss.

Children: Unknown.

*willie
Wiley & Eliza Reed
divorced by letter
from following date
Aug. 1854*

II. JUDIA STEVENSON

Born: 1836, Alabama

Died:

Married: Probably 1850's.

Was 14 yrs. old in 1850, had left home by 1860.

III. JOHN L. STEVENSON

Born: 1838, Mississippi

Died:

Married: (?)

Was 23 years old the year before the Civil War began. Did he enlist in Confederate Army? He may have been killed in war, or left county.

IV. HENRY C. STEVENSON

Born: 1842, Mississippi

Died:

Married: Mary _____

Was living in Township 8, post office

Marion Station, in 1870 census.

Children: (From 1870 census)

1. William H. Stephenson 1864-

2. Charles F. Stephenson 1866-

3. Josephine Stephenson 1869-

1892
W 1/2 SE 1/4 5-7-15

*Chas. owned
7 acres 1860
was on poll tax list
1839
Mary Stephenson
found following by
letter June 1864*

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Stevenson, C.W.
 SW NE 1/4

AB's PAPA

28

9

15

40 Acres

\$100 Value

76

Found Co
 Found Top
 1878

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V. SARAH STEVENSON

Born: 1847, Mississippi

Died:

Married: (J.W. Young 1865?)

Was 13 years old, living with her parents in 1860 census, gone by 1870.

VI. ELIJA STEVENSON

Born: 1849, Mississippi

Died:

Married: (?)

Was last found, 21 years old, living with his parents in 1870.

VII. CHARLES WESLEY STEVENSON, JR.

Born: 1851, Mississippi

Died:

Married: (?)

Was 19 years old, listed with parents in 1870.

VIII. MARTHA E. STEVENSON

Born: 1853, Mississippi

Died:

Married: (?) S. Phillips - 1877

Son of Robert & Mary Eliz. Phillips of P. S.

Was 16, living with parents in 1870 census.

IX. LYDIA STEVENSON

Born: 1855, Mississippi

Died:

Married: (1) C.E. STEVENS, 1875 (2) Seeborn M. Smith, Jr. - 1887

Was 14, living with parents in 1870 census.

1. JOHN STEVENS - 1877
2. "SALLY" STEVENS - 1879 - m. DAVID HUSSEIN
3. HENRY SMITH 1889 - (m) AMANDA CUNNINGHAM
4. LOTTIE SMITH 1894 - d. year

X. ELISHA STEVENSON

Born: 1858, Mississippi

Died: 190, Lauderdale County, Ms.

Married: Drucilla Phillips, daughter of Robert and Mary Elizabeth (Lewis) Phillips of Pine Springs. 1879, L. Co

Married around 1880, Lish and Drucilla rented land in Pine Springs where Lish farmed and worked for the timber cutters. Lish was only in his 40's and he

of the century. J. E. Stephenson " W 1/2 SE 1/4 15-8-1580 " 1892

grave has not been lived in Pine Springs, renting one place then another, struggling to get her children raised. She died in 1932 at the age of 84 and was buried at Pine Springs Methodist Church.

Children:

1. FRANK STEPHENSON 1880- m. Eula Gibson, sister of lawyer, Vanoy Gibson.

2. ~~IDA~~ (ADA?) STEPHENSON 1883- m. a Garret, owned a dairy farm below Meridian. Ida lived with her widowed mother and helped her with younger brothers and sisters, was married late in life.

3. SIDNEY STEPHENSON 1885-

4. MINNIE STEPHENSON 1887- m. Will Skinner 1904, L. Co in 1922, LAUREL CO

5. ALBERT "AB" STEPHENSON 1888-1959, m. Eula Mae Harrison. (1901-1945). Made a living cutting and hauling timber for sawmills.

~~more information~~ ON Ab is in "PINE SPRING BOOK"

Children: A. Moody Delane Stephenson 192-1979, m. Eloise Daniel.

Fought in World War II, married after the war and went to work for Southern Belle Telephone Co., worked there for years. Lived in Meridian. Had heart attack and died fairly young.

Children:

a. Delorth Delane Stephenson m. Jackie Lynn Smith

b. Denise Gay Stephenson m. Teddy Ray

Sept 1895
Elisha joined
church during
9-day
meeting

Aug 15, 1884
Feb 1, 1937

B. Beatrice Stephenson 1925-1987, m. John Mitchell,
Went to Center Hill School, went to work in Meridian where she
met her husband, who owned Mitchell Distributing Co. She was
active in Little Theatre, served as President at one time.
Home was in Meridian on Country Club Drive.

Children:

- a. Manny Mitchell-
- b.

C. Dorothy "Dot" Stephenson 1928- , m. Wayne Alton Covington,
son of Joe and Cecil (Houston) Covington of Prospect, Lauderdale
County. Dot and Wayne live in Scottsboro, Ala.,

Children:

- a. Larry Covington
- b. Steve Covington
- c. (dau)

D. Charles Lindburgh "Lindy" Stephenson 1932-197 , m. _____
Was in US Navy, stationed on Gulf Coast when he was killed, s
struck by a car. He was returning to his home from the Navel
Base after dark when he was struck.

Children:

- a.
- b.

E. Peggy Joyce Stephenson 1933- , m. _____
Lives at Virginia Beach, Virginia.

Children:

- a,
- b.
- c.

*Charles Lindburgh
kid was just - mangled
in March 1932*

⑥ ANNIE STEPHENSON
Born: 1891, Lauderdale Co, Ms. Died:
Married: **ROBERT CARLISLE, 1907**
Children;

⑦ HATTIE STEPHENSON
Born 1893, Lauderdale Co, Ms. Died: 19
Married: M.L. McCullum (1871-1936), he is bur. Pine Springs Cemetery.
Children: *IN 1910*

8. GENEVA STEPHENSON
Born: 1897 - LAUDERDALE Co, Ms Died: *1967 - Bur PINE Forest Burial.*
Married: *Richard OTTO* Otto Poole, bro of Ivan Poole, lived near (now) West Lauder-
dale School, had a farm.
Children:

- a. Katherine Poole 1918- m. Hubert Williamson
- b. Maloneise Poole 1922- m. Aubrey M. Swearingan

485-4300

XI. WILLIAM STEVENSON
Born: 1860, Lauderdale Co, Ms. Died:
Married:
Children:

STEPHENSON FAMILY

His father was C.W. Stephenson & they owned land ^{NEAR} David M. Brown @ Center Hill

Elisha "Lish" Stephenson was born in Mississippi in 1858. He married Drucilla Phillipps, daughter of Robert Phillipps around 1869. In 1900, Lish and Drucilla were living on her father's old place across Pine Springs road from her sister, Rössie, who had married Vas Byrd. Lish never did own land of his own, but lived here and there in Pine Springs, working for the lumber companies or share-cropping on someone's farm.

Lish and Drucilla had 8 children when he died, some of whom were still minors, living at home. Drucilla lived here and there, having a hard time rearing her children. She lived at one time in the Jimmy Wright farm west of Pine Springs Store.

Children:

1. FRANK STEPHENSON

Born: 1881 Died: In Texas?
Married: Eulie Gipson, Sister of Lawyer Vannoy Gipson of Meridian.
Frank and Eulie were quiet, soft-spoken, slow to anger, making some of the folks about believe that they weren't especially bright. They rented land from the Wolfe's (which later was sold to Fred Johnson) and were making a crop there when they first married. Some of the young men - hooligans - of the neighborhood, looking for excitement one night, thought it would be fun to tease ole Frank and Eulie. They slipped up to the house, helped one of the group onto the roof and covered the chimney with a wide board. They the pranksters waited outside to see what would happen. The smoke filled the house, of course, and in a little while, Frank and Eulie came out. They had tied all their possessions into a couple gunny-sacks and quietly left home. It is not known where they spent the night. It wasn't as much fun as their tormenters thought it would be, and they went on off looking for something else to get into.

Frank and Eulie had several children. They later moved to Texas to live.
Children: Unknown.

Ada

2. ADA STEPHENSON GARRETT

Born: 1883 Died:
Married: W.W. Garrett, 1916, Laud Co
They owned a dairy farm below Meridian. LIVED ^{with} her widowed mom before she m. Garrett
Children: Unknown

3. SIDNEY STEPHENSON

Born: 1885 Died:
Married: MRS. Alma McGowen ca 1909
LIVED IN "THE LAKE" in 1910 CENSUS
STEP CHILDREN: ① FRANCES McGOWEN, 1901 ② Millie (Macie?) McGOWEN, 1906 ③ Joe McGowen, 1906 (TWINS)

4. MINNIE STEPHENSON SKINNER

Born: 1887 Died:
Married: William Skinner 1904, L. Co
Lived in house on Halbett's place on the road up from where the spoke mill was later built.
When Minnie was a young girl, her family had a square dance at their house one night. Poor Minnie was dancing and having a great time when she popped the button that held up her bloomers. She quick stepped out of her drawers, scooped them up and left the room. Not one to let a little thing like that ruin her evening, she was soon back swinging her partner again, having a big time, proving that she was capable of grace under pressure.
Children: Unknown.

5. ALBERT T. "AB" STEPHENSON

Born: Aug. 15, 1888 Died: Feb. 1, 1959, bur. Pine Springs Meth. Ch.
Married: (1) Sudie Sims, who died in childbirth in 1917. (2) Eula Mae Stephens (1901-1941) of Suqualena.
Ab and Miss Eula Mae lived most of their married life in a little board cabin that was down the hill from Pine Springs Road in the shadow of the spoke mill, where

Dot
Mrs Wayne Alton Covington
Rt. 2, Box 209
35768
Spartanburg
S.C.
HARRISON

CENSUS

LAUDERDALE Co

RUSHING STORE

1850 CHARLES STEPHENSON ^{44 SC \$370 (1806) MECHANIC}
 ARTEMASA R5 AL 1823
 (MARY) JANE 1835 AL-15
 JUDIA 1836 AL 14
 JOHN 1838 MS 12
 HENRY 1843 MS 7
 SARAH 1847 MS 3
 ELIJA (SON) 1849 MS 1

1860 C.W. STEVENSON ^{(1806) \$600 54 SC \$400}
 ARTEMESIA 35 AL
 JOHN L. 23 MS 1837
 HENRY C. 18 MS 1842
 SARAH 13 MS 1847
 ELIJA? ETIJA? 11 MS 1849
 CHARLES WESLEY JR 10 MS 1850
 MARTHA E. 7 MS 1853
 LYDIA 5 MS 1855
 ELISHA J. 3 MS 1857

1870 ^{POST OFF - MARION STATION} TOWNSHIP 8 - BEAT 3 -
 #13 CHARLES STEVENSON ¹⁸¹⁶ 64 SC
 ARTEMUS 1825 45 AL
 ELIJA ¹⁸⁴⁹ 21 MS
 WESLEY 1851 19 MS
 MARTHA 1854 16 MS
 LYDIA 1856 14 MS
 ELISHA 1858 12 MS
 WILLIAM 1860 10 MS

1870 ^{POST OFF MARION STA} T-8 BEAT 3
 HENRY C. STEVENSON ¹⁸⁴³ 27 MS
 MARY ¹⁸³⁹ 31 MS
 WILLIAM H. ¹⁸⁶⁴ 6 MS
 CHARLES F. ¹⁸⁶⁶ 4 MS
 JOSEPHINE ¹⁸⁶⁹ 1 MS

1870 T-6 BEAT 1, MERIDIAN
 WILLIAM G. STEVENSON ¹⁸³⁰ 40 SC
 ELIZA J. - ¹⁸²⁶ 34 SC
 WILLIAM J. ¹⁸⁵⁷ 13 AL
 SHEPHERD ¹⁸⁶⁵ 5 MS
 KATE ¹⁸⁷⁰ 1/2 MS

1880 ELIJA STEPHENSON ^{45 AL SC AL}
 ANN 39 ^{AL SC TN}
 MINNIE 19
 ANNIE 17
 EDWIN 14
 MOLLIE 13
 EUGENE 10
 ADA 8
 VADA 5
 BIRDIE 2
 MOTHER - SARAH ¹⁸¹⁰ 70 ^{NC NC NC}

1900 ^{m-m-m rent} ELISHA STEVENSON ^{11 yrs}
 #99 DRUCILLA 45-1855
 FRANK 1881
 ADA - 1883
 SIDNEY 1885
 MINNIE 1887 m. SKINNER
 ALBERT 1889
 ANNIE 1891 m. div. ^{Back Home in 1910}
 HATTIE 1893
 NEVA 1895

1900 W.S. STEPHENSON ^{25 MS MS}
 (MAS) ALMA (McGOWEN) ¹⁸⁸⁵ 25 2/3
 FRANCES " 9 ^{STEP Jan}
 MILLIE " ^{TWIN} 4 ^{STEP Jan}
 JOE " 4 ^{STEP}

1910 DRUCILLA STEVENSON ^{69 MS AL TN}
 FRANK 28-1882 HATTIE 16
 ADA 26-1884 NEVA 14
 ALBERT 21-1889
 ANNIE 30-1890

1910 W.S. STEPHENSON ^{25 MS MS}
 ALMA (McGOWEN) ¹⁸⁸⁵ 25 2/3
 FRANCES " 9 ^{STEP Jan}
 MILLIE " ^{TWIN} 4 ^{STEP Jan}
 JOE " 4 ^{STEP}

William B Smith To O G Eiland Dr
1846 July 27 To mileage at night \$10.00 (visit 8/ consultation with Drs Ford & Neilson 10.00 \$11.00
21.00

The State of Mississippi
Lauderdale County } Personally appeared before me J B Hancock
judge of Probate for the County aforesaid O G Eiland who being by me
first duly sworn aforesaid & saith that the above attached account is just
and true and that no part thereof has been paid or security or satisfaction
given for the same before the death of defendant W B Smith, but has since
been by Lewis & William Smith been paid, and this acct was made in his
last sickness before his death
sworn to and subscribed before me 23rd day of November A D 1849
O G Eiland
J B Hancock judge of Probates

The State of Mississippi Probate Court December term A D 1849
Lauderdale County } J B Hancock judge of the probate court for this
county aforesaid do hereby certify that the above attached account
was this day allowed examined & allowed given under my hand &
seal this 10th day of December A D 1849
J B Hancock Judge of Probates for L.C.M.

Recorded 14 Dec 1849 B F Pashie clerk

Manon 1848
Sept 13 Thomas W Whortee To C McLane Dr
For repairing Ladies Saddle \$4.50

The State of Mississippi } Personally appeared before me J B Hancock
Lauderdale County } judge of the Probate Court for the county
aforesaid Canada McLane who being by me first duly sworn
aforesaid and saith that the above attached account is just true
and that no part thereof has been paid or security or satisfaction
given for the same
sworn to and subscribed before me this 18th day of November A D 1849
J B Hancock judge of Probates

The State of Mississippi Probate Court December term A D 1849
Lauderdale County } J B Hancock judge of the probate court of the
county aforesaid do hereby certify that the above attached account was
this day examined and allowed given under my hand & seal this
10th day of December A D 1849
J B Hancock Judge of Probates

Recorded 14 Dec 1849 B F Pashie clerk

March this 8th 1849 Mr Price & Mr Stevenson this is to certify that I
sent my man beator after one of your Mills under a certain contract
made by myself & Mr Stevenson under the authority of A certain young
man coming to me in ^{the town} Manon on last Monday and saying you said
for me to do so, as I told Mr Stevenson so let it up to it yet If you will
send me one of your best mills & come down forthwith & start I will
give you the contract that is two Bails of good cotton delivered at
my gin by or before the first day of November next 1849. wayning
five hundred lbs each
Samuel K. Hatcher

Private Record Bk "C"

Sam Hatcher - C W Stephenson

Samuel Le Watcher to Charles Stevenson Dr
1 horse mill for which he was to deliver 2 bales cotton to Stevenson
weighing 500 pounds cotton each say 1000 pounds cotton at Watcher's
grain by the 1st Nov. 1849

The State of Mississippi. Personally appeared before me J.B. Hancock
Lauderdale County 3 judge of the probate court for the county aforesaid
Charles Stevenson who being by me first duly sworn deposes & saith
that the above attached claim is just & true, and that no part thereof
has been paid or security or satisfaction given for the same.
sworn to and subscribed before me the 10th day of December AD 1849
Charles Stevenson

J.B. Hancock Judge of Probate
The State of Mississippi. Probate Court December term AD 1849
Lauderdale County 3 J. B. Hancock judge of the probate court for
the county aforesaid do hereby certify that the above attached claim
was this day examined & allowed given under my hand & seal
of office this 10th day of December AD 1849. J.B. Hancock (J)

Recorded 15th Dec 1849
The State of Mississippi. Edmund Price being duly sworn in
Lauderdale County 3 open court, says that he delivered the
within named mill to Samuel Le Watcher and heard him say
he would pay said Stevenson the two bales cotton & within
named to said Stevenson. Edmund Price
Subscribed & sworn to Dec 10th 1849

J.B. Hancock Judge of Probate
Manion
Thomas McLeod to Mrs B. Smith Dr
July 3 1 pr shoe leather 188 (July 29) amount due on old account 77¢ \$2.65
" 1 pr shoes for snow 12/- 1 do 12/- (Mar 20) 1 do pr snow 12/- 4.50
July 20 1 pr shoes pr snow 10/ (Oct 6) 2 pr shoes pr snow 6/- 2.75
Oct 12 1 pr bridle leather pr snow 6/- 1 pr bit 2/- 1.00
Nov 13 1 pr shoes pr snow 11/- (1849) Jan 30 1 pr shoes pr snow 12/- 2.75
1848
Oct 13 br by 32 pr. W. H. Hedges 54¢ \$1.62 9th any hides @ 10th 94.250
Nov 24 57 Dry hides @ 10th 5.70 8.22
Bal due \$5.43

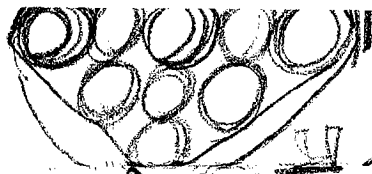
1849
Jan 22 1 pr shoes 11/ (July 18) 3 pr shoes 9/ 10/ 12/- 5.25
Feb 27 1 pr " 12/- (Mar 9) 1 bridle pr snow 8/- 2.50
\$73.08
Interests on 5.43 for 11 mo to 1 Dec 1849. .30
\$73.48

The State of Mississippi. Lauderdale County
Personally appeared before me J.B. Hancock judge of the probate court of
the county aforesaid William B. Smith who being by me first duly
sworn deposes & saith that the above attached account is just & true
& that no part thereof has been paid or security or satisfaction given
for the same
W.B. Smith
sworn to and subscribed before me 30th day of November AD 1849
J.B. Hancock Judge of Probate

FE Stevenson

- ~~1852 Mary Jane - Wm Reed~~
~~1865 Sarah - J W Young~~
~~1873 LA - CE Stephens~~
~~1877 ME - J Phillips~~
~~1887 LA - SM Smith Jr~~
1898 Mollie - Jonas G. Stafford
~~1904 Minnie - Wm Skinner~~
~~1907 Annie - Robert Carlisle~~
~~1910 Hattie - M L McCallum~~
1913 Kate S - Nelson E Smith
~~1916 Ida - W W Garsitt~~
1917 Addie Lee - H. J. Parton
1917 ¹⁸⁹⁷⁻¹⁹⁶⁷ Geneva - Richard Otto Pool
1828 Martha - Henry Liles
1931 Martha L - John Edwin Hattell

Saud. Co. Dravigger



WV

~~1879 J E Stephenson - P. C. [unclear]~~

1880 T F "V" - Kitty Parks

~~1884~~ 26/1/88

1884 W. J. - R. L. Simmons

1885 W. H. - S P Holliday

1894 - V M - Mattie Thompson

1905 J. W. - Eula Snowden

1909 W C - Mrs. Alma McGowan

1910 Frank P - Fannie E. Johnson

1919 OLA Rea Yeager

~~1922 A T - Eula Mae Harrison~~

1922 D L - Maylene Campbell

1924 John B. - A M Daniels

~~1925 T J~~

1929 John B Stevenson - Reta L. ^{weathers}

1929 RA - S W Putney

1931 HB - Sallie Jennings