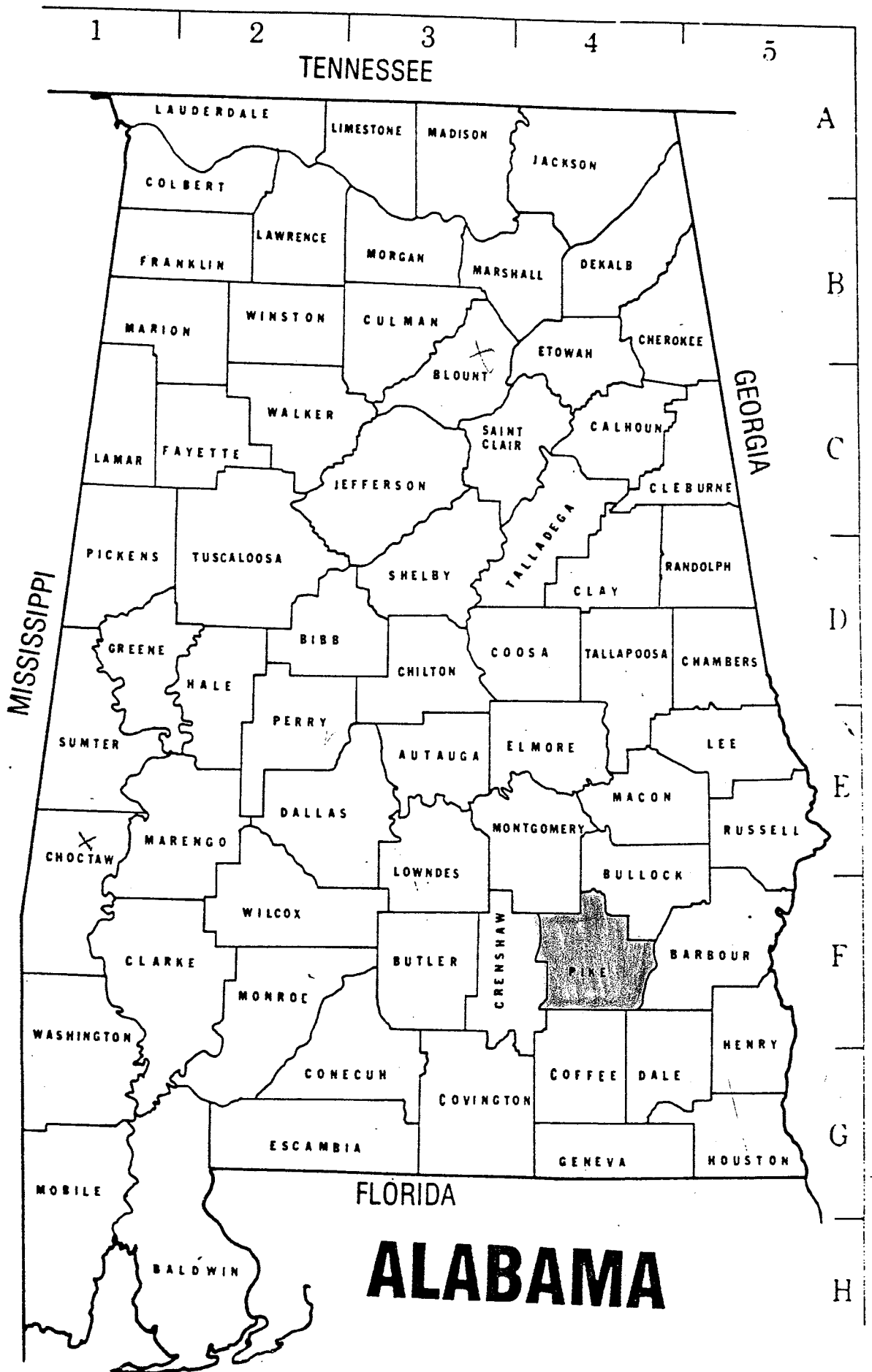


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4		Margaret	12	f				"				
5		Marilyn	14	f				"				
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7		Mary	1	f				"				
8	113	Henry Miller	42	m		Farmer	311	Ala				
9		May Ann	27	f				"			1	
10		William	7	m				Ala				
11	110	W. L. Seimens	48	m		Merchant	1000	Ala				
12		Sarah	37	f				Ala				
13		Frances	17	f				Ala			1	
14		Man	15	f				"			1	
15		Arthur	12	f				"			1	
16		Joseph	8	m				"			1	
17		Margaret	6	f				"				
18		Jesse	3	m				"				
19		Henry	2	m				"				
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22		Garth Millett	31	m				Ala				1
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24		Martha	53	f				"				
25		Madison	24	m		Farmer		"				
26		John	21	m		Farmer		Ala				
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5				William	9	M				Ala					
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11				Mary	46	F				"					
12				William	25	M		Farmer		"			1		
13				Wesley	20	M		Farmer		"					
14				Orucilla	18	F				"					
15				James	15	M				Ala					
16				Martha	13	F				"					
17				Caroline	11	F				"					
18				John	9	M				"					
19				J. Gray	6	F				"					
20	1125	1125		John C. Howard	34	M		Farmer	1000	Mo					
21				Mary	30	F				"			1		
22				Alexander	29	M		Farmer		Ala					
23				Maria	17	F				"			1		
24				Suercia	15	F				"			1		
25				William	15	M				"			1		
26				Helen	9	F				"			1		
27				Lyle	7	M				"					
28				Silas	5	M				"					
29				Mary	1	F				"					
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31				J. Braswell	27	M		Farmer		Ala					
32	1125	1125		David Viduelli	33	M		Farmer		"					
33				Milroy	26	F				Ala					
34				Mary	1	F				"					



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that they are freed from all incumbrances that
we have a good right to sell and convey
the same to Michael D. Powell his heirs
and assigns and that we will warrant and
defend the premises to the said M. D. Powell
his heirs and assigns forever against the
lawful claims and demands of all persons
in witness whereof we the said John Barnhill &
his wife Emily Barnhill have hereunto set our
hand and seal, that the 18th day of Oct
A. D. 1858
Signed sealed and
delivered with witness
of attest B. & Floyd
C. S. Powell
Bird Fitzpatrick

The State of Alabama, Bird Fitzpatrick Judge
Pike County of the Court of Probate
and for the County and State aforesaid
do hereby certify that Benjamin F. Floyd a sub-
scribing witness to the foregoing conveyance
known to me appeared before me this day and
being sworn stated that John Barnhill
the grantor in the conveyance voluntarily
executed the same in his presence and in
the presence of the other subscribing witness
on the day the same bears date, that he attested
the same in the presence of the grantor and
of the other witnesses and that such other
witnesses subscribed his name and
witness in his presence given by me
hand this the 18th day of October 1858
Bird Fitzpatrick
Judge of Probate
Recd for record Oct 18/58

The State of Alabama, Know all men by these presents that we
Pike County, I, J. B. Brazil, P. S. Brazil, Wm. B. Brazil,
W. Brazil, Elizabeth Brazil, A. W. Brazil, A. M. B. Brazil, wife
of his wife, Mary Thomas, M. B. Brazil, Martha C. Brazil and
Susanna P. Brazil of the State of Alabama and County of
Pike, do hereby A. M. B. Brazil who is a citizen of Birmingham City of
said State, have this day for and in consideration
the sum of three hundred and fifty dollars to him in
hand have bargained sold, released and conveyed
and by these presents grant, bargain, sell, release and
convey unto the said Benjamin F. Brazil and his heirs and assigns

county of ... a certain tract or parcel of lands, by my and being in said county and State of ... known as the South East quarter of the North West quarter of section five of Township Eight of Range Twenty two, containing forty acres more or less, and also known as the land upon which the family resides, and where the father died, to have and to hold to him, the said Lord and his heirs his heirs and legal representatives forever, we hereby warrant, defend and ever to defend the titles to same to said Galloway and representatives from the claim of claim or claims of any and all persons, whatsoever claiming or to claim the same from either or any of us claiming or to claim the said premises aforesaid. This testimony where we both subscribe our names and affix our seals on this the 14th day of November A.D. 1857.

In presence of the undersigned
 John 1308737

In presence of
 W. M. Murrhew
 W. S. Henderson

testo James Hearnes

- J. L. Brazil (Real)
- J. L. Brazil (Real)
- J. L. Brazil (Real)
- Sarah E. Brazil (Real)
- W. D. Brazil (Real)
- Sarah E. Brazil (Real)
- G. W. Brazil (Real)
- Elizabeth Brazil (Real)
- W. M. Brazil (Real)
- J. C. No. Beth (Real)
- Mc. J. No. Beth (Real)
- Mc. E. Brazil (Real)

The State of Alabama, I Bird Fitzpatrick Judge of the Circuit Court of Probate in and for the State and County of ... hereby certify that W. M. Murrhew a subscribing witness to the foregoing conveyance, known to me appeared before me this day and being sworn stated that to the best of his recollection he saw J. L. Brazil, W. D. Brazil, Sarah E. Brazil, G. W. Brazil, Elizabeth Brazil, W. M. Brazil, Mc. J. No. Beth & Mc. E. Brazil the grantors in the conveyance, voluntarily executed the same in his presence of W. S. Henderson the other subscribing witness on the day the same bears date, that he attested the same in the presence of the grantors and of the other witness and that such other witness subscribing witness assumed his name as a witness in this presence. Given under my hand this the 19th day of October A.D. 1858.

Recd for me on 2 Oct 19th 1858

Bird Fitzpatrick
 Judge of Probate

This indenture made this 10th day of October, 1858 between ... and ... of the first part and ... of the second part witness that the ... had in consideration of the sum of ...

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SCHEDULE 1—Free Inhabitants in Low River Township in the County of Sevier State

of Missouri enumerated by me, on the 5th day of Sep 1860. N. A. Simpson Asst Marshal

Post Office Rocky Comfort

1	2	3	4			7	8		10	11	12	13	14
			Age	Sex	Color		Value of Real Estate	Value of Personal Estate					
		The name of every person whose usual place of abode on the first day of June, 1860, was in this family	Age	Sex	White, black or mulatto	Profession, Occupation, or Trade of each person, male and female, over 15 years of age.	Value of Real Estate	Value of Personal Estate	Place of Birth, Naming the State, Territory, or Country.	Married within the year	Attended School within the year	Persons over 20 yrs of age who cannot read & write	Whether deaf and dumb, blind, insane, idiotic, pauper, or convict.
1		Amelia Lasswell	7	F					Alabama				
2		Heldah "	5	F					"				
3		Helen "	2	F					"				
4	103	1079 James Anderson	24	M		Farmer	200	25.0	Alabama				
5		Elizabeth "	21	F					"				
6		William "	3	M					"				
7	104	1080 B. Whittington	29	M		Farmer		35.0	Alabama				
8		Mary "	27	F					Georgia				
9		William "	7	M					Alabama				
10		Willie D. "	5	M					"				
11		Abigail "	2	F					Alabama				
12		Unnamed "	2	F					"				
13	105	1081 Jonathan M. Samuel	33	M		Farmer		38.0	Alabama				
14		Susanna "	13	F					Alabama				
15		Richard "	17	M					Alabama				
16		John H. "	12	M					"				
17		Margaret "	10	F					"				
18		Joseph "	8	M					"				
19		Thomas "	4	F					"				
20		Francis "	1	F					"				
21	106	1082 Robert R. R. R. R.	35	M		Farmer		15.0	Alabama				
22		Elizabeth "	14	F					Georgia				
23		Misall "	14	F					"				

10	Sarah	20.57							
11	Elizabeth	2 F							
12	Simon Cooper	30 M	Farmer	1000	300	Albany			
13	Louisa	17 F				Albany			
14	John Billingsly	52 M	Farmer	1000	1000	Switzerland			
15	John	40 M	"	1200	2500	Switzerland			
16	Malinda	3 F				"			
17	Jessie	8 M				"			
18	Harriet	6 F				"			
19	Mary	1 F				"			
20	Fanny	2 F				"			
21	John	5/2 M				"			
22	James Parker	15 F				"			
23	Stephen Litch	17 M				"			
24	Sharon Powell	29 M	Quinn	1000	1000	"			
25	Amanda	31 F				Switzerland			
26	J. J. Billingsly	25 M	Farmer	200	200	"			
27	Columbus	22 M	"		150	"			
28	Francis Billingsly	25 M	"		200	"			
29	Isom	30 M	"	300	400	"			
30	Mary	22 F				Albany			
31	John	2 M				"			
32	Pinkney	4/2 M				"			
33	Richard Loring	55 M	Farmer		1000	Switzerland			
34	Sarah	17 F				Albany			
35	Isabella	25 F				"			
36	Elizabeth	23 F				"			
37	Isabella	18 M				"			
38	Margaret	15 F				"			
39	John	15 M				"			
40	Henry	9 M				"			

No. white males, 21 No. colored males, _____ No. foreign born, _____ No. blind, 5-100
 No. white females, 12 No. colored females, _____ No. deaf and dumb, _____ No. insane, 2700
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The State of Alabama--Pike County, ss.

To, any Ordained or Licensed Minister of the Gospel, Judge of the Circuit or County Courts, or Justice of the Peace for said County:--Greeting:

You are hereby authorized to celebrate the Rites of Matrimony between Moses B. Phillips and Samuel Capri

and this shall be your sufficient authority for so doing.

The above named parties } Given under my hand and seal this 7th day of October A. D. 1856 one of American Independence the 51st year October 1856
Moses B. Phillips }
Samuel Capri }
Judge of Probate

The State of Alabama--Pike County, ss.

To, any Ordained or Licensed Minister of the Gospel, Judge of the Circuit or County Courts, or Justice of the Peace for said County:--Greeting:

You are hereby authorized to celebrate the Rites of Matrimony between J. S. Brazil and A. Whiting

and this shall be your sufficient authority for so doing.

The above named parties } Given under my hand and seal this 14th day of October A. D. 1856 one of American Independence the 51st year October 1856
J. S. Brazil }
A. Whiting }
Judge of Probate

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The State of Alabama--Pike County, ss.

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, That we Moses B. Phillips and Samuel Capri are held and firmly bound unto the State of Alabama, in the penal sum of two hundred Dollars: for payment of which, well and truly to be made, we bind ourselves, and each every of our Heirs, Executors and Administrators, jointly and severally, firmly by presents. Sealed with our seals, and dated the 7th day of October A. D. One Thousand Eight Hundred and Fifty-

The Condition of the above Obligation is such, That if there be no lawful cause why Moses B. Phillips and Samuel Capri should not be joined together in the holy union of Matrimony, then this obligation to be void; otherwise, to remain full force and virtue.

Signed, Sealed and Delivered in presence of Moses B. Phillips and Samuel Capri Judge of Probate

The State of Alabama--Pike County, ss.

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, That we J. S. Brazil and George W. Brazil are held and firmly bound unto the State of Alabama, in the penal sum of two hundred Dollars: for payment of which, well and truly to be made, we bind ourselves, and each and every of our Heirs, Executors and Administrators, jointly and severally, firmly by presents. Sealed with our seals, and dated the 14th day of October A. D. One Thousand Eight Hundred and Fifty-

The Condition of the above Obligation is such, That if there be no lawful cause why J. S. Brazil and A. Whiting should not be joined together in the holy union of Matrimony, then this obligation to be void; otherwise, to remain full force and virtue.

Signed, Sealed and Delivered in presence of J. S. Brazil and George W. Brazil Judge of Probate

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SESSIONS FAMILY

It is gratifying and exciting to think that if "Grandmother Sessions of Spring Hill" had been living on December 22, 1976, she, too, like our beloved United States would have celebrated her 200th Birthday! She was living in Pike County in 1877, and the local paper reported that she was born Dec. 22, 1776, and "is consequently nearly 101 years old".¹ She was Mrs. Sarah Sessions, widow of John Sessions, and born in North Carolina.²

The Sessions Family of Pike County traces its ancestry to Offenshire England. One branch of the family settled in Massachusetts and the other in South Carolina.

Very early records are found in the Colony of Massachusetts and the Colony of Connecticut. Amasa Sessions (1715-1799) was born at Pomfret, Connecticut, and married in 1744 Hannah Miller (1724-1804). His sons were: Samuel (1746-1818), and Robert (1752-1836), both of whom were Revolutionary Soldiers.

In 1771, George III granted 600 acres to John Sessions in Craven County, South Carolina. In the 1790 Census of South Carolina, Georgetown District, All Saints Parish, we find:

John Sessions	1-5-1-no slaves
Nancy Sessions	4-6-one slave
SolomonsSessions	1-2-3-no slaves
Absolum Sessions	1-3-2-four slaves

In Georgetown District, Prince Frederick's Parish, there were:(1790)

John Sessions	3-2-5-no slaves
William Sessions (with Frances Martin)	3-1-6-no slaves

The application for pension for John Sessions, N.C. 1830, which shows that he was born 1758. He applied for a pension in 1820 at which time he was living in Ocmulgee Dist., Jasper County, Georgia.

¹ THE TROY MESSENGER, Oct. 14, 1877.

² See 1850 Census of Pike Co.

One John B. Sessions, Wilcox Co. married Lydia Ann Beaman (1800-1880)

In February, 1830, John Sessions gave a note to Robert Hardy; in 1833, he gave a note to Nathan L. May, and to Jesse O. May at Church Hill P.O.¹

In Georgetown District, Prince George's Parish, 1790 Census, are:

John Sessions 2-1-3-no slaves
Joseph 1-1-2-two slaves
George 1-1-2|no slaves
Frederick 1-4-3-no slaves.

An application of Josias Sessions for pension, filed in 1832, states that he was born 1764, Nov. 14, in Craven Co., Georgetown Dist., near All Saint's Parish, and that in 1777, when he was 13 years of age, he was attending school and was drafted to join Capt. Daniel Murrell's Company, attached to General Francis Marion's brigade, and was engaged in guarding the sea coast, for one month at a time term. He participated in many skirmishes, according to his statement. The Tories were commanded by Joshua Sony. He signed the application for himself, and it was attested to by Robert Larrimore.²

In 1939 Mrs. John D. David, Mount Vernon, Ill., wrote the National Archives in re the application of John Sessions and Samuel Walding. No application for Samuel Walding was located.

In 1807 Major Joseph Sessions was an officer in the 1st Regiment of Militia of the Mississippi Territory.³ Lt. Phillips Sessions was a member of the same Regiment, residing in Washington, M.T., in 1807.³

We find WilliamsSessions in the 1820 (first) Conecuh County, Ala. Census, with his household consisting of:⁴

1 male over 21	2 females over 21	15 slaves
<u>2 males under 21</u>	1 female under 21	

¹ Rube Sessions Library Notes, Wells, Texas

² Photostat from National Archives

³ Carter, Territorial Papers, Vol. 5, at page 568

³ Carter, Territorial Papers, Vol. 18, at page 213.

⁴ AFQ, Vol. VI, 1944.

John Sessions (1770-184?) and William Isaac Sessions (1779-1853), known as "Buck", and William Jack Sessions (1780-1857) were brothers. It is an unfinished task to learn who their parents were. John and Buck were born in North Carolina, and William Jack was born in South Carolina. The descendants of these three Sessions brothers have scattered over the entire world and have become leaders in every walk of life. They were early settlers of Alabama, coming to the Alabama Territory as early as 1816, and locating at China Grove Township 12N, Range 21E, very near the Montgomery County line.

In 1840 Pike County Census we find:

Isaac "Buck" Sessions at China Grove
 1 male 5-10
 2 males 10-15
 1 male 60-70
 1 female 40-50

John Sessions, east of China Grove near Charles Dennis¹
 1 male 60-70
 2 females 5-10
 2 females 10-15
 2 females 15-20
 1 female 40-50 See note 2 below

William Sessions near Harrell Hobdy in eastern part of County.
 2 males under 5
 3 males 5 to 10
 1 male 20-30
 1 male 50-60

In the 1850 Census, listed as heads of households are:

Isaac Sessions, 71, born N.C.
 William Sessions, 70, born S.C.
 Sarah, 72, born N.C. (widow of John, who has died?)

¹ Dennis Family Cemetery is located s.e. of China Grove, presumably on the Dennis Plantation.

² We need a "65 year old female" in this family, and none is present. If Sarah Sessions, age 72 in 1850, is wife, or widow of John Sessions, and the "Grandmother Sessions, born 1776," who is still living in 1877, (See page 143) she should be enumerated as "over 50", in the 1850 Census.

WILLIAM ISAAC "BUCK" SESSIONS

William Isaac "Buck" Sessions was born in 1779 in North Carolina, and was married in 1816 in Conecuh County, Ala.,¹ his first child, Sarah, being born in 1817 in (Wilcox)(Pike?) Conecuh County. Sarah Sessions was married in 1838 to Jesse Faulk.² The 1830 Census of Pike lists:

- Henry Falk, Sr.
- Henry Falk, Jr.
- James Falk, Sr.
- James Falk, Jr.
- Jghn Falk

In the 1840 Census there are:

- Arnold Falk;
- Charlotte Falk;
- Joel Falk, who married Hannah Manning;
- John;
- Philip;
- Timothy, who married Susanna Cartwright.

The children of William Isaac "Buck" Sessions were:

- Sarah, who married Jesse Faulk;
- Margaret (1825-1899) who married William Farnell. (Her obituary says: "she lived many years in Pike County near China Grove and is buried in the Old Union Cemetery. She was married Nov. 9, 1848, was born in Wilcox Co., Ala. She had ten children and was nearly 74 years old. She was a longtime member of the Church, and a member of China Grove church for 8 years.")
- William Harry, killed at Vicksburg. Married Mary Weldon.
- Anna P., born 1832, married in 1852, John Sessions, son of William Jack Sessions. They had: William Henry; John L.; and Melissa.
- Susanah, born 1833, married Robert Farnell. They had no children of their own, but reared John, son of Anna P., Mary, and Matilda.
- Mary, born 1834, married Cornelius Gray, CSA
- Isaac William "Ike", born in North Carolina in 1835, married in 1858, Ella Henrietta Smilie. Isaac William and wife lived on the old homeplace. In 1861 he made a trip to Navarro Co., Texas, but returned home and on March 12, 1862, he enlisted in 37th Alabama, CSA.
- Rhoda, no information available.

William Isaac "Buck" Sessions apparently came to Alabama in 1816, lived for a time, and then returned to North Carolina. He is on the

1830 Census of Columbus Co., N.C.³

¹ Information from Rube Sessions Wells Texas Library Notes.

² Roland R. Faulk, b. Troy, 1900, served in the Legislature.

³ Great-grandfather of Dr. R.F. Sessions, Atlanta, Ga.

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Isaac William Sessions, son of William Isaac Sessions (1779-1853),
married in 1858, Ella Henrietta Smilie, daughter of Jacob Smilie. They
had thirteen children, the first five of whom were born in Pike County.

They were:

William Munroe, born 1859, married Elizabeth Reynolds;
Della, born 1860, married J.J. Standifer;
Matilda Annie, born 1863, married C.C. Gentry;
Rebecca B., born 1865, married Peyton Leroy Lucas;
Thomas Franklin, born 1868, married Ella Smilie

Isaac William "Ike" and wife moved to Shelby County, Ala., where
he died in 1907 and is buried in the old Seale Cemetery near Montevallo.
He was a Confederate Veteran, was at the siege of Vicksburg, and was
wounded there. He signed the parole oath on July 10, 1863, and was
granted a 91-day sick furlough. He was listed on the hospital list of
seriously wounded Sept. 18, 1863. Apparently, although crippled to the
extent that he limped from a leg wound the rest of his life, he was
called back, or exchanged, because he was on duty as a guard at the mil-
itary prison in Atlanta, Ga., May and June of 1864.¹ Lee surrendered
April 9, 1865. Apparently the news did not spread rapidly, because Ike
was captured again at Macon, Ga. April 20, 1865. General Johnson sur-
rendered in North Carolina, April 26, 1865, and General Kirby Smith
surrendered in Louisiana May 26, 1865. Ike was released some time duri
that time span and went back to China Grove. He lived on the old home
place until 1870 when he moved to Shelby.

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The wife of Ike Sessions was alone with their three children in 1863,
when the Yankees passed their home in China Grove, and finding no one
there, (She and the children were picking strawberries.), cleaned her
completely out of cattle, chickens, horses and everything. To under-
stand the story, it is necessary to realize that Ella Henrietta Smilie
Sessions had a beastly temper. When Grannie got home and saw what had
happened, she was furious, and bundling up the children, she marched
to the place where the Union army was camped. She was dusty, dirty,
and the maddest woman ever when she got there, and marched right past
the sentry, although he was protesting mightily. Into the General's
tent she went, and shaking her finger in his face, she demanded that
all the stolen articles be returned, especially her horse and saddle.
The General promised and sent her home in an army conveyance. On ar-
riving home she found he had sent her a fine horse and a brand new
saddle. (As told to the author by Dr. R.F. Sessions.)

William Jack Sessions (1780-1857) came to Alabama about 148

1815, married a Miss Manning, and then returned to South Carolina. His first child, Solomon, was born 1816, in South Carolina. His children

were: 1. Solomon, born 1816, lived and died in South Carolina;

2. Louisa A., born 1818, S.C. married Solomon Johnston;¹

Had: Lewis Johnston;

James Johnston;

Cornelius Johnston, who married Sarah A. Sessions,
daughter of Absalom Sessions;

3. Jane Agness, born 1820 in S.C., married Samuel J. Shields, of
China Grove;

4. Absalom, born 1824 in S.C., died 1857 in Pike County; married

(1) Mary Barnett, and

(2) Mary Johnson

By his first wife he had:

Francis Marion, born 1841, married Alice Coleman;

Sarah Ann, born 1845, married Cornelius Johnston;

James Monroe, born 1848, married Martha Cleveland;

John Richard, born 1850, died in Texas s.p.

Joseph A., born 1851, married Lorena Briggs

Wm. Harry, born 1844, died 1858, s.p.

By his second wife, he had:

Mary Jane

Solomon Absolum

5. John Hanse, born 1824 Ala., died 1861; married

(1) Anna P. Sessions, daughter of Buck Sessions, and

(2) Martha Faulk, born 1845, daughter of Jesse and
Sarah (Sessions) Faulk.

By his first wife, he had:

William Henry

John L.

Melissa

By his second wife, he had:

Jesse Askew

John Hanse

6. William Harry, killed at Vicksburg

7. Newton, went to Louisiana

8. Jasper, born 1833, died 1888, married

(1) Margaret Johnson (1835-1884)

(2) Ann E. Williams (-1926)

(3) Mary J. Taylor

In 1850 he was living with his father. He enlisted
in the CSA and was pensioned for his service. (See
File # 20871).²

William Harry Sessions (1826-1863) married Mary Weldon in 1848.
He bought $S\frac{1}{2}$ of the $SW\frac{1}{4}$ of the $SE\frac{1}{4}$ Sec. 21 T12 R21E, deed witnessed
by John Sessions and Pressley Norsworthy. He and his wife had:

Elizabeth, born 1850;

Joanna, born 1853;

Eveline, born 1855;

Amanda, born 1857;

Martha, born 1860;

William, born 1862;

¹ Solomon Johnston was a nephew of Gen. Joseph E. Johnston

² No. 6 above.

5. John Sessions (1824-1861) had five children:¹
 5a Melissa, born 1853, no further record;
 5b William Henry, born 1856, who married Mary Elizabeth Gilmer
 5b-1 Hubbard, who married a Faulkner
 5b-1a Eloise, who married a Youngblood
 5b-2 Anna L., who married a Faulkner
 5b-3 Gertrude (1895-1918)
 5c John (1858-) married Emma Graves
 5d Jesse Askew, unmarried
 5e John Hanse, married Julia Johnson, had:
 5e-1 Mattie Faulson
 5e-2 Jesse J.
 5e-3 Nancy Emma
 5e-4 John R.
 5e-5 Joshua Lee

8. Jasper (1833-1888), Confederate Veteran, lived at China Grove. He built a nice home there, was married three times, and reared a large family of his own and nephews and nieces. After he was gone, the home was occupied by Mrs. Jesse Townsend. "Not more than a quarter mile from this home stood the Sessions School. At one time it was filled with only Sessions children, who were inspired to learn by their dedicated teachers, among whom was Gov. Robert Lee Williams, War-time Governor of Oklahoma. By his three wives, Jasper Sessions had:

- a. Rowmandus Randolph "Coon" (1857-1907);
 married , 1887, Minerva Teat (1864-1936), and had:
 a1 Arthur Monroe (1889-1918);
 a2 Willie Thomas (1891-1966);
 a3 Rena Jane (1892-);
 a4 Margaret May (1894-1903);
 a5 Jessie Emma (1896-);
 a6 Ross Randolph (1896-1944);
 a7 Julia Myrtle (1900-1916)
 a8 Baby Hera (1903-1903).

- b. William T. "Bill" (1862-);
 b1 Mattie Lou, who married J.A. Mead; had:
 b1a Ruth, who married M. Gibson;
 b2 Jeppie, who married Edna Worthington, and had:
 b2a Eloise;
 b2b Jeppie, Jr.;
 b3 William Lassie (1890-1950), married Nellie Williford, and had:
 b3a Loucille, who married Purvis Powell;
 b4 James, who married _____, and had:
 b4a Betty June;
 b4b Viola;
 b4c Clayton;
 b5 Ethyl, who married Gene Ledbetter, and had:
 b5a Hurston;
 b5b Anna Buford;
 b5c L.J.;
 b5d Dorothy;
 b6 Fred, who married Verda Nance, and had:
 b6a Keith
 b6b Leona
 b6c Anna Lou
 b6d Billie
 b6e Cecil
 b6f Tommie

- b7 Grady Oakley (1900-1961); married Myrtle Beasley (1902-), and had:
 - b7a Layton;
 - b7b Merrill;
- b8 Leon, who married Mozelle Ross, and had:
 - b8a Sarah
 - b8b W.D.
 - b8c Preston
- c. Jane, born 1859, married Benjamin Pearson, moved to Ga.
- d. James Thomas (1864-1932) married Solomia Williams;
- e. Flora (by second wife)

James B. Standley was the son of James and Mary(Bradberry) Standley, of North Carolina. James B. Standley married Sarah Munn, in 1830, in Henry County, Ala. They had:

1. Daniel, born 1833;
2. Mary J., born 1835;
3. James A., born 1837;
4. John, born 1839.

Sarah Munn died, and he married for his second wife, Matilda Corley. They had:

1. Sarah Ann Frances, born 1842;
2. Julius, born 1844;
3. Elizabeth, born 1846.

Matilda Corley Standley died in 1848, and he married, in 1849, for his third wife, Mary Ann Wilcox. They had:

1. Emily, born 1851;
2. Melissa, born 1855;
3. Roxie, born 1857;
4. William Green, born 1859;
5. Hardy, born 1862;
6. Richard, born 1864;
7. Cynthia Alice, born 1867
8. Needham, born 1869;
9. Sarah E., born 1874.

James B. Standley appears in 1830, 1840, and 1850 Censuses of Pike. Before 1860 he moved to Texas. His father, James, died in 1845 in Henry County.

Mrs. Harold Gene Campbell, nee Betty Joyce Bryant, has researched the Stevens-Stephens, Bryant, McDowell, Howell, and Tillery Families. Her mother, Etha Mae McDowell, daughter of Lonnie Webster McDowell, was born at Briar Hill in 1911. She married Julius Malcom Bryant in 1928.¹

¹ Alfred Tillery, born 1795 in Ga., was a teacher in Pike Co., in 1850.