

John Houston Perry, Sr. and Malinda “Linnie” Dykes Perry’s Children

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John Houston Perry, Sr. (1816-1884) and wife Malinda “Linnie” Dykes Perry (1819-1907)

(1) **Mary Euphema Perry born June 1838 in Warren Co., Tennessee**, was the first child of John and Malinda “Linnie” Dykes Perry. In **1840** she was the only child in the household. She never married. In **1870** in Sequatchie Co., Tennessee, she was still living at home with her parents John and Malinda Perry. In **1880** she was living with her brother Isham Perry, his wife Marilda J. Hill Perry, and their children Henry Morgan, Mary Athelia/Thelia, and Euphema, Jr. in district 6, Warren County, Tennessee.

In **1900** Euphema, Sr., then age sixty-two, was living next door to her brother Isaac Floyd Perry, Sr. in Beersheba Springs, Grundy Co., Tennessee. Her fifteen-year-old niece Sarah Cordelia Perry was living with her since her parents’ divorce. I could find no evidence that Euphema, Sr. lived to reach the **1910** Census record. Assuming that she died between 1900-1910 while still living next door to Isaac, I would speculate that she was buried in Philadelphia Cemetery in Grundy County which is where her grandparents, Isham and Prudence Choate Dykes were buried. Her mother Linnie was buried there in **1907**, and her brother Isaac Floyd was later to be buried there. This was also near where she was born. There is a slight possibility that she is buried in the Monteagle Cemetery behind where her brother Isham and sister Sarah Catherine would later be buried, but I lean more toward the

Philadelphia Cemetery. At this time there is no known photograph or likeness of Mary Euphema Perry.

(2) Isham Perry was born 26 October 1840 in Warren Co., Tennessee. By the **1850** Census record Isham was attending school as a nine year old and living with his parents, John and Linnie, and his siblings, Mary Euphema, Henry Stokes, John Houston and James. A change had come to the boundaries of the counties in **1844** when a good portion of Warren County became part of Grundy County, a newly established county. One might think that John and Linnie moved from Warren to Grundy County, but such was not always the case. Their county names and county seats changed. The names all around the family were Collins River area names, Cagle, King, Perry, and Christian, among others. So in **1844** John and Linnie probably found themselves citizens of a new county without ever moving, and their son Isham was probably attending school in the Collins River Valley area of Grundy County.

In 1860 Isham would still have been a young man living at home with his parents. Since no record of this family was on the Census then, *or I can't find it*, it has been my experience to find that the families were moving or had moved. Sometimes the families lived so far up the "hollow" or side of the mountain that the Census taker bypassed them. To a researcher it is as though these folks vanished completely. However, I caught up with Isham Perry when he enrolled with the Confederate Army. On **06 September 1861 at Camp Smart, Tennessee**, (*This is what we call Smartt Station now and is a small community between Morrison and McMinnville, Tennessee.*) Isham entered as a Private in the 2nd Company D, 35th Tennessee Regiment Infantry, Mountain Rifle Regiment. This Company took on several different designations including Company F throughout the year after it was formed in **1861**, so Isham may have served under different names of the Company. He was twenty-one at the time. He was listed on the muster roll of Captain John Macon and had enlisted for one year. Also Colonel Benjamin Hill appears to have been one of his superiors during the year. It also appears that he spent some of his time in Bowling Green, Kentucky where he was sick and in the hospital. On **20 December 1862**, Isham was discharged from the Confederate Army although his muster roll goes on into 1863 listing him as absent and sick

the whole time. He made his way back home to settle in the Collins River area of Warren County, Tennessee.

Around 1867 probably in Warren County, Isham married Marilda J. Hill, daughter of Montaque Pleasant Hill and Sarah Taylor Hill. Sarah's middle name may have been Christine from verbal stories handed down. She did have a niece named Sarah Christine Taylor. From this marriage came these children: Henry Morgan, Mary Athelia/Thelia, Euphema, Jr., Rethia Catherine and Isaac Fuston Perry. **In the 1870** Census, Isham, Marilda and their son Henry Morgan were living in an area of Warren County where their mail would come from the Irving College Post Office. Isham may have named his first son in remembrance of his brother Henry who died in the Confederate Army.

By the 1880 Census record Isham's family had grown by two more children, Mary Athelia and Euphema, Jr. He also had his sister Euphema, Sr. living in the house with him. (*If those two Euphemas weren't enough to cause confusion, Isham's wife Marilda also had a sister named Euphema who married Willis Dearing Lynch.*) Soon the last two children Rethia Catherine and Isaac Fuston would be born in Warren County before he made a move to Jackson County, Alabama. He was quite close to one of his first cousins, Andrew Jackson Perry, who had moved several years before to Jackson County. Isham and Andrew Jackson had enlisted on the same day at Camp Smart, Tennessee. This, and the land grants, may have been the pull that caused Isham to leave his home region. Since his daughter Mary Athelia married Alex Benson King in Madison County, Alabama in the year 1893, I can only assume that the move was made between 1883 (*the birth of his youngest child in Tennessee*) and 1893 (*the marriage of his daughter in Alabama*). **In the 1900** Census record, Isham, Marilda and two of their children, Rethia and Isaac are living in Jackson County on the boundary line with Madison County. Their next-door neighbors were Andrew Jackson Perry and part of his very large family.

On 16 April 1910 on Dry Creek Road, on top of Coalmine/Bice Mountain in Jackson County, Alabama, Isham and Marilda were living alone; their daughter Rethia Catherine and her new husband Peter Finus Moon lived on one side of them and their cousin and friend, Andrew Jackson Perry on the

other. This is the first time that I found where Marilda states that she had given birth to **six** children, and five were still alive. I know that their son Henry Morgan had died around **1897**, but it is the number six that throws me. Some time after **1910**, Isham and Marilda were on the move again. This time they came back to Grundy County, Tennessee.



Isham H. Perry (1840-1919) and wife Marilda J. (Hill) Perry (1846-1919); Left: Isham with his sister Sarah Catherine (Perry) King (1855-1945)

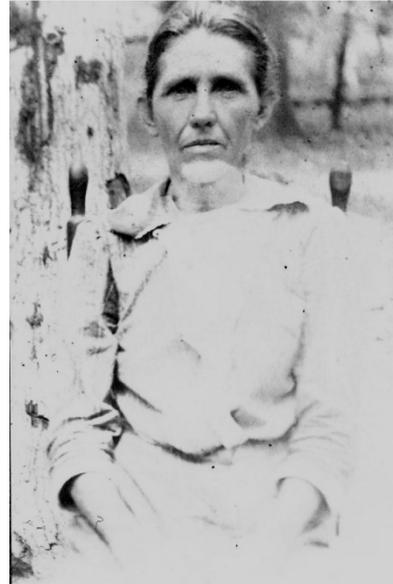
On 23 April 1919 in Monteagle, Grundy County, Tennessee, bank check #2 was written to J. T. Brannan, undertaker, in the amount of \$67.50. Bank check #3 was written on the same day to Mrs. Alma Holcomb for the amount of \$4.20 for a cemetery lot. **On 29 May 1919**, bank check # 5 was written in the amount of \$67.50 to J. T. Brannan for burial expenses. All three checks were written by Mary Athelia/Thelia (Perry) King for the funerals and burials of her parents, Isham and Marilda Hill Perry. They were living with their daughter when both died within a month of each other. From a note made by one of my aunts, Isham died before Marilda; they were buried in the Monteagle Cemetery on the Marion County side of the railroad tracks. Their daughter had them interred directly behind her husband Alex Benson King who had died in **1912**. I have copies of three different photos of Isham. I know of no others at this time. Isham was my gg-grandfather.

(3) Henry Stokes Perry was born in 1842 in Warren Co., Tennessee. Very little is known about Henry because he lived such a short life. **On 06 September 1861** at the age of nineteen he went to Camp Smart near Morrison, Tennessee with two of his brothers, Isham and John Houston, Jr. to

enlist in the Confederate Army. He entered as a Private in 2nd Company D, 35th Tennessee Infantry along with Isham. (*To read about the 35th TN Infantry—go to Sequatchie County, Tennessee’s Genweb page and follow the menu.*) Immediately, even before he was put on the muster-in roll in Bowling Green, he contracted measles and was in a hospital from **01 Oct 1861**, and one month later on **01 December 1861** he died. A note sent to me by another researcher *Elizabeth (Perry) Mason*, says that in the Confederate Patriot Index I—1894-1924—Tennessee Division United Daughters of the Confederacy 1976, under Isham Perry’s name is this statement, “Perry, Isham—Co., D, 35th Tennessee; had two brothers in service, John Perry, who was wounded while serving, Henry Perry, who died of exposure. *Member*: Sarah (Perry) King (sister) b. **Feb. 6, 1855**, Warren Co., TN”. This is a great bit of information because it names four of the nine children of John and Linnie Perry in one document. I want to make a note here that somewhere I read that someone in the John Perry family went by wagon to Bowling Green, Kentucky to pick up the body of young Henry Stokes. I do know that he is buried in the Hill Creek Cemetery in Irving College, Warren Co., Tennessee where his father John Houston, Sr. was later buried in **1884**. I know of no photographs of Henry Stokes Perry. My only grandson was named for this young man and another relative Stokes King. His name is Dillon Stokes Partin, but he is called Stokes Partin.

(4) **John Houston Perry, Jr. was born 08 September 1844** in what had, in January of that year, become **Grundy Co., Tennessee**. Like his brothers, John Houston was in Co. D of the 35th Tennessee. According to a quote above in the statements on Henry Stokes Perry, John was wounded during his enlistment with the Confederacy. On **19 September 1865** in Warren Co., Tennessee, after being discharged from the Confederacy, he married Mary Elizabeth King, daughter of Stokes and Francis Brown King. Some researchers record that he married a Martha Green first; there is a record where a “John Perry” married a “Martha Green,” but at this time I believe that that was another John Perry. In **1870** John Houston, Jr. and Elizabeth were living in Sequatchie County, Tennessee that had been formed in **1857** from portions of Bledsoe, Hamilton and Marion County. It isn’t that important, but we need to understand that boundaries were changing from time to time back then, so it may be hard to decide where the families were living. The young couple had three young children, Henry Stokes, George Washington and John

Wesley Perry. It is obvious that their first son was named for John Houston's brother Henry Stokes who had died in **1861**.



John Houston Perry, Jr. (1844-1900) and second wife Margaret (Marda) King Perry

In 1880 John Houston had moved his family to the Collins River Valley, but in Warren County not Grundy. He and Mary Elizabeth had added these children to their family: William Taylor, Marion Francis, James T., Isham G. H., and Martha J. Perry. Between **1880 and 1887** John Houston moved his family to Coalmine/Bice Mountain, Jackson Co., Alabama and became neighbors with several other Perry families as well as some of Mary Elizabeth's relatives on her King side. He and Isham may have gone at the same time. Sadly in a small cemetery there on the mountain, known as the Perry Cemetery, one stone reads: *“Sacred to the Memory of Elisabeth Perry, wife of John H. Perry, Born June 26, 1841 & deceased Sept. 6, 1887, Age 46 years, 2 months & 10 days. Rest my love, beneath the sod, Till you and I shall, Meet with God.”* (Thanks to Elizabeth Perry Mason for the notes on the Perry Cemetery.)

John Houston Perry soon married again and fathered a whole new set of children. His new wife Margaret may have been a niece to his first wife. Together they had six children: Walter G., Vennie Alice, Dora E., Lillie A., Daniel Webster, and Hubert H. Perry. On **25 April 1900** John Houston Perry died leaving a wife with six children. She moved into the house with her stepson, James and his family. John Houston was buried at Hills Creek

Cemetery in the Irving College community of Warren Co., Tennessee. His father John, Sr. had been interred there on **14 September 1884**. I have a copy of one faded photo of John Houston Perry, Jr. courtesy of Elizabeth Perry Mason. Margaret later married William Roberts.

(5) **James Perry was born in February 1846 in Grundy County, Tennessee.** I know so little about this son. Around **1871** he married Julia Ann Christian. In **1880** this family was living in Sequatchie Co., Tennessee. They became the parents of three children: Peyton A., Margaret L., and John R. Perry. Peyton married a "Nancy" at one time, but I think he was married before that time. Margaret married Dee Hatfield and had several children. John R. married and had a houseful of children. I would like to know more about this family, but as of yet have failed to make contact with any of James and Julia's descendants. I do not know when James or Julia died or where they are buried. I have no photographs of James Perry.

(6) **William Taylor Perry was born January 1851 in Grundy Co., Tennessee.** By **1870** he was eighteen and living in Sequatchie County in the household of Andrew Jackson Perry. It is obvious throughout this work that John and Linnie Perry and their children were very close relatives to Andrew Jackson Perry. Most researchers think that A. J. was an illegitimate son of Elizabeth Perry, John Houston Perry, Sr.'s sister. This would make A. J. Perry a first cousin to John and Linnie's children. Some think he was an illegitimate grandson of Alexander and Elizabeth Woodllee Perry. I lean toward him being Elizabeth Perry's son because he is always around her relatives not Alexander Perry's family who eventually left Marion and Bradley County and moved to Missouri. On **22 January 1878** in Warren County, Tennessee William Taylor married Rebecca Caroline Smith, probably the daughter of Jacob and Dicy Smith. This Smith family was living right next door to William Taylor's brother Isham in 1870. It is difficult to read on the **1870** Census record, but this is probably Rebecca's family.

In the **1880** Census record, we find William Taylor and his wife Rebecca living in Irving College, Warren Co., Tennessee. They have two sons, Horace Floyd and William Henry Perry. William Taylor was living next door to his brother Isham and his sister Euphema. By the **1900** Census record, the family was living in Sequatchie County next door to his brother John Houston's

widow and her children. Maybe this was what caused the family to move from Warren to Sequatchie County. John Houston had died that year, so maybe William Taylor and Rebecca moved closer to be of help to his widow and young children. It is my conviction that these moves back and forth from Sequatchie to Warren County or Grundy had a lot to do with the presence of the two sets of grandparents, Perrys and Dykes. There was a lot of strength in those days between age and youth. The Perrys were more Sequatchie County oriented and the Dykes were Warren/Grundy oriented. All around the area were Perry Mountain/Point, Perry Creek, King Branch, Dykes Mountain, Hills Trace, Cagle Mountain, and other places named after our ancestors. These people had shortcuts "...through the woods and over the hill, to Grandma's house I go." Needless to say, the economics of the time, played an important role in the decision as where to live.



William Taylor Perry (1851-1911) and wife Rebecca Caroline Smith Perry (1850-1925)

Several more children were born to William Taylor and Rebecca. Their family now included Lila Ruth, Prudence Elizabeth, Robert Lawson, Lillie Irene and Homer. In the year 1900 Rebecca stated that she had had seven births and all seven were still alive. Ten years later in **1910**, William Taylor and Rebecca were back in Irving College, Warren County only a few households from their son Horace Floyd Perry and his family. Three of their children, Prudence Elizabeth, Robert Lawson and Homer were still living at home. William Taylor was working as a miller in a gristmill, and Rebecca stated that all her seven children were still alive.

On **27 November 1911** William Taylor Perry died and was buried in the Hills Creek Cemetery in Irving College, Tennessee. At least two of his brothers, Henry Stokes and John Houston, preceded him in death and were also buried at Hills Creek.

In the **1920** Census record William Taylor's widow Rebecca Caroline was living with her son Robert Lawson Perry and his family in Irving College. She grew old with her extended family around her. Her son Horace Floyd and his wife Cordelia with all their little ones were next door. On **31 March 1925** Rebecca Caroline Smith Perry died and was probably buried beside her husband at the Hills Creek Cemetery.

(7) Sarah Catherine Perry was born 06 February 1855 in Sequatchie County, Tennessee. I am going to stick with 1855 as the year of her birth because of the article mentioned above, but the family always thought she was born in **1853**. The first thing that comes to mind about Sarah Catherine is that she was either spoiled rotten by so many brothers or picked on greatly as they surely must have teased her. In **1870** Sarah Catherine was sixteen, was not in school, nor could she read or write. She was living with her parents, John and Linnie, and two brothers, Isaiah and Isaac. Her brothers John Houston and William Taylor, cousin Andrew Jackson, future King in-laws, a couple of Perry aunts and sweet little grandma Laney Perry were living all around. Her grandpa Benjamin Perry, Laney's husband, and the patriarch of the family, had died just a few months before on **26 April 1870**. This family community was probably near Perry Creek and King Branch near Cagle, Sequatchie Co., Tennessee. The old Benjamin and Delaney homeplace was on that creek where the cemetery is. They were one big happy family—we hope.

On **27 October 1873** in Warren Co., Tennessee, Sarah Catherine married Stephen N. King a son of Andrew and Lucy Russell King and grandson of Stokes and Frances Brown King. He was also a grandson of John and Rhoda Newbury Russell. I often wondered if the "N" in his initial might stand for Newbury, but I do not know. By the **1880** Census record Sarah Catherine and Stephen were living in Irving College, Warren Co., Tennessee. They were the parents of Alex Benson, Thomas Isaiah and William A. King. Her parents, John and Linnie had moved back to the area also.

From **1880 till 1910**, I have no Census records to help me with Sarah Catherine's family. I can only write what I have found. I know that the couple had nine children in all. Besides the three sons mentioned above she and Stephen had these children about whom I am certain: Lillie May, Aaron Lee, Arthur Dee, and Howard S. King. Another possible child was Arminda King, born **12 April 1887** and died **1908**, whose name I found in Aaron Lee King's Bible. The **1930** Census record shows that a "Janie King" was living with Sarah Catherine and was listed as her daughter. But with all the research I've done, I have come to the conclusion that "Janie" was Sarah Catherine's daughter-in-law Mary Jane Fancher Oxendine King.



Sarah Catherine (Perry) King and husband Stephen



Sarah Catherine and niece Lizzie (Perry) Creighton

The next recorded event in Sarah Catherine's life is on **02 April 1893** when her husband Stephen signed the marriage license for their son Alex Benson King to marry Mary Athelia Perry in Madison Co., Alabama—*first cousins marrying*. This marriage is why two of John and Linnie's children are my gg-grandparents, Isham and Sarah Catherine. On **13 May 1894** Arthur Dee King was born in Monteagle, Tennessee according to his WWI registration for the draft. Then on **23 February 1895** Stephen N. King received a land grant for land on Coalmine/Bice Mtn. in Jackson Co., Alabama—yes, right up there with the rest of the Perry/King bunch. Ironically, all of Sarah Catherine's children state that they were born in Tennessee, not Alabama. The couple was still having children right up close to 1900. Their son Thomas Isaiah married a Monteagle girl in **1899** in Grundy Co., Tennessee, so it makes one think that they were in Monteagle before the turn of the century. One of their granddaughters wrote in some notes many years ago that her grandfather and grandmother Stephen and Sarah Catherine King came to Monteagle before her parents did, who came in

1902, and that they moved to Monteagle from the Collins River Valley below Beersheba Springs. In **1908** Sarah Catherine became a member of the Morton Memorial Methodist Church in Monteagle. If Arminda was her daughter who died in 1908, and I believe she was, then maybe these church people helped Sarah Catherine through the loss of a child. This may have caused her to place membership with them at that time.

In the **1910** Census record Sarah Catherine King and her son Arthur Dee were living in Monteagle. She was a widow. I searched for years for information on where Stephen N. King may have died and was buried. Their granddaughter's notes led me to believe that he was in Monteagle, died there and was buried in the Monteagle Cemetery. I don't think that they ever actually moved to Alabama as a family, but instead Stephen made trips down to acquire the land and visit with his kinsmen. Sarah Catherine stated in this Census record that she had given birth to nine children and seven were still alive in 1910; the two who were dead were William A. King and Arminda King.

The **1920** Census record shows Sarah Catherine living with her son Arthur Dee King and his wife Olive Layne King in Tracy City, Tennessee. In **1930** she had moved back to Monteagle and was living on her own. She was a little old lady in transit. Her g-grandchildren remember her as always moving from one relative's house to another. She always brought along her own feather mattress and knitting supplies. She kept a close relationship with her brothers Isham, Isaiah and Isaac.

Sarah Catherine Perry King **died 12 May 1945**; she lived a full and seemingly happy life. She is lovingly remembered by her g-grandchildren as "Great Grandma King." Her body lies at rest in the Monteagle Cemetery behind her son Alex Benson King and her brother Isham Perry. Her two sons, Arthur Dee and Aaron Lee lie nearby. I have to believe that her husband Stephen is buried there also. I have copies of several pictures of Sarah Catherine Perry. She was my gg-grandmother; she always wore her hair in a bun, so sometimes I comb my granddaughter's hair up into a bun and call her Sarah Catherine. When she was a little younger and I did that, she would say, "Granny, I not Sarah 'Caffern', I Jocelyn."

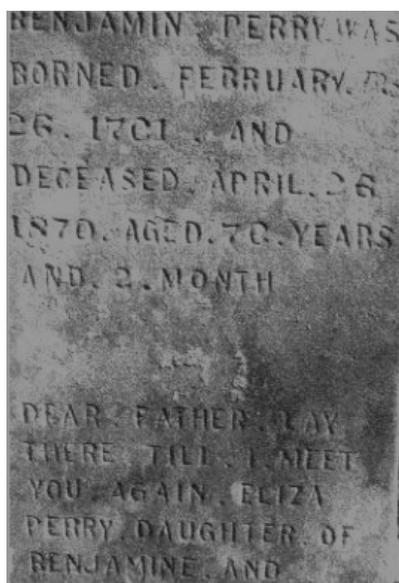
(8) **Isaiah Perry was born January 1860 in Sequatchie County, Tennessee** just two years before his grandmother Prudence Choate Dykes passed away on **05 April 1862** in Grundy County. Prudence was buried in the Philadelphia Cemetery in Grundy County. In **1870** Isaiah was living with his parents and two of his siblings. He too could neither read nor write and wasn't attending school. By **1880** the family had moved back to Irving College, Warren County, Tennessee. His parents John and Linnie were still alive and his youngest brother Isaac Floyd was still at home. Isaiah never married. On **21 October 1881** Isaiah's grandma Delaney Perry, the matriarch of the family, died and was buried by her husband Benjamin on Perry Creek in Cagle, Tennessee. Four years later on **14 September 1884** his father John Houston Perry, Sr. died and was buried at Hills Creek Cemetery where several of Isaiah's brothers were buried.



Isiah Perry (1860-1946) with his fiddle.



Isiah with sister Sarah Catherine (early 1940's)



Benjamin Perry (1791-1870)



Delaney "Laney" Perry (1795-1881)

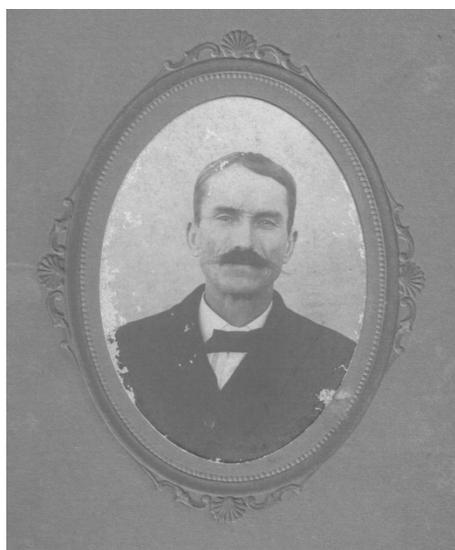
In **1900** Irving College, Warren County, Tennessee Isaiah and his mother Malinda “Linnie” Perry were living together. They were living next door to the McConnell family. One of the McConnell girls, Blanche, later married Linnie’s grandson William Henry Perry, son of William Taylor Perry. On **25 June 1907** Isaiah’s mother died. Malinda “Linnie” Dykes Perry was buried at the Philadelphia Cemetery beside her parents Isham and Prudence Choate Dykes. The story goes from our end of the family that John Houston Perry, Sr. told his children that he didn’t care which one died first, that his only wish was that he and his wife would not be buried together—and so they weren’t.

Isaiah Perry was a great fiddle player. I have a weak photo copy of him with the fiddle. I know that there are lots of stories about him and would like to hear some of them. By **1910** Isaiah had moved back to Sequatchie County next door to his Aunt Nancy. Nancy Perry had married William C. King another son of Stokes and Frances Brown King. I just imagine that he “took his meals” at her house even though she was around eighty-three years old. In the **1930** Census record Isaiah was living alone in Irving College, Warren Co., Tennessee. Isaiah Perry died in Warren County around **1946**. At this time I do not know if he was buried with his mother at Philadelphia Cemetery in Grundy County or with his father at Hills Creek Cemetery in Warren County. I have copies of two not so clear photos of Isaiah, and a copy of one where he was eating at a family dinner in Beersheba Springs.

(9) Isaac Floyd Perry was born 22 February 1862 in Sequatchie County, Tennessee. In **1870** he was living in Sequatchie County with his parents and two of his siblings, Sarah Catherine and Isaiah. On **01 August 1871**, Isaac Floyd’s grandfather Isham Dykes died in Grundy County and was buried beside his wife in the Philadelphia Cemetery. Isaac was old enough to have made the trip down into the Collins River Valley to mourn his grandfather’s death. By the **1880** Census record, his parents had moved back to Irving College, Warren County. He and Isaiah were the only children still at home. Sprinkled all around the family were Taylors, Hills, Cagles and Kings. Isham Perry’s wife, Marilda’s maiden name was Hill and her mother’s maiden name was Taylor. Marilda’s sister Rebecca married a Cagle, and of course, the Perrys and Kings intermarried for years. This was the way it was in those days of less mobility.

On **19 December 1882** in Warren County, Tennessee, Isaac Floyd Perry married Arkansas “Kansas” Brashears, daughter of William and Sarah Brashears. Two children were born from this marriage, Isaac Floyd Perry, Jr., born and died on **12 March 1884**, and Sarah Cordelia Perry, born **22 February 1885**, who grew up and married John Rhea. Isaac Floyd and Kansas divorced soon after their daughter’s birth. Three years later, Isaac was married, living in Alabama and ready to start his new family. Kansas took back her old name of Brashears, and on 17 December 1891, she married Thomas Cagle in Warren County. They had four sons and lived in Warren and Grundy Counties, Spadra, Arkansas, and later Selina, Oklahoma.

On **10 November 1888** in **Madison County, Alabama**, Isaac Floyd Perry married Martha Ann Hambrick, daughter of David Wesley and Elizabeth Hambrick. On **28 September 1889** in Jackson County, Alabama, the first child was born to this couple. His name was Benjamin F. Perry; these are the words on his tombstone: *“In Memory of Benjamin F. Perry, Born Sept. 28, 1889, Age one month and 23 days.”* He was buried in the Perry Cemetery on Coalmine Mountain in Jackson County, Alabama. Isaac Floyd and Martha’s family grew with these additions: Gilli A., Callie “Lizzie”, Viola E., Florence, Arvilla, Joe Wheeler, Toy Weaver, Robert and Nettie Perry.



Isaac Floyd Perry (1862-1935) Martha Ann Hembrick (1867-1925) Martha with children Robert and Nettie

On **21 June 1892**, Isaac received a land grant in Jackson Co., Alabama like his brothers before him. Gilli (b. 1891) and Callie Elizabeth Perry (b. 1893) were born in Alabama, but by the **1900** Census record, the family was living near Beersheba Springs, Grundy County, Tennessee in the Panhandle Community. The Census taker recorded that the next child Viola Perry was born in Tennessee in 1896, so this leads me to believe that the family came to the plateau here between 1893 and 1896. Isaac Floyd's sister Euphema, Sr. and his daughter Sarah Cordelia (*by his first wife Kansas*) were living next door to him in 1900. This makes me wonder if Euphema raised Sarah Cordelia as her own child.

In the **1910** Census record, it was noted that Viola and Florence also were born in Alabama; discrepancies like that will happen sometimes. By the **1920** Grundy County Census record, Isaac Floyd's daughter Gilli had already been married, divorced and was back living with the family. Several of the children were still at home with their parents. On **11 November 1925** in Jacksonville, Florida, Martha Ann (Hambrick) Perry died. She was visiting her son Robert Perry and his family. Her body was brought home and buried in the Philadelphia Cemetery in Grundy County.

On **19 September 1926** in Grundy County, Tennessee, Isaac Floyd Perry married Lenora (Roberts) King, who was the widow of Jasper P. King, Sr. Her son Jasper P. King, Jr. was living with them. Then on **27 February 1935** Isaac Floyd Perry died and was buried beside his second wife in the Philadelphia Cemetery.



Lenora (Roberts) King Perry with her first husband Jasper P. King; children: Mary (Mae), John William and Lester Bryan King

Well, I could write on and on about John and Malinda Perry's descendants, but my goal to put enough information out there for young ones to study and glean, has been met with this paper. It is not a perfect paper with facts written in stone, but an informative work to whet one's appetite. Please send me criticisms, additions, comments, corrections, whatever you wish, and I'll fix whatever I can. God bless. Let me hear from you. jackiepartin@blomand.net or Jackie Partin, P. O. Box 295, Monteagle, TN, 37356.