# **Byars**

John W. Byars

and

**Descendants** 

Mrs. Norma Joyce Shrum 1308 Scout Rd. Hixon, TN 37343

Blount Co., Ala Married 6/28/1834

JOHN W. BYARS REBECCA HARWOOD

11/1/1815 - 2/12/1872 6/10/1814 - 10/19/1855

Manerva 5/15/1835 - 11/23/1898

Married - Thomas

Joseph

1836

3/26/1838 - 2/24/1903 AR Married Pleasant Mullins 11/4/1858

Sarah E. 1/1/1840 - 7/12/1907AR(1)Married Lewis McAnally 4/18/1858 Grundy Co.(2) John Quincy Adams 2/9/1878-1886

Lucy

1841

Malissa

1842

AR

Married Joseph Mullins 7/8/1860

Susanna Lurania 1845 \*

Married 1/26/1862

JOHN W. BYARS

Jefferson Co., AL

SARAH JANE MORGAN

11/21/1844 - 9/5/1903

Joab Lambirth 2/15/1867 - 6/13/1931 Married Minda Amanda Teague

William (Willie) 1864

Married Nancy Isabell Crow

Mary

1863-1929

Married Silas N. Pearson

SARAH JANE BYARS

Grundy Co., Tn Married 4/6/1873

THOMAS MEEKS

Frances

2/1874 (Frankie)

Married - Robert Rohelie

Leona

1878

Married - William Hamilton

Lullar

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(Lula) 11/11/1926

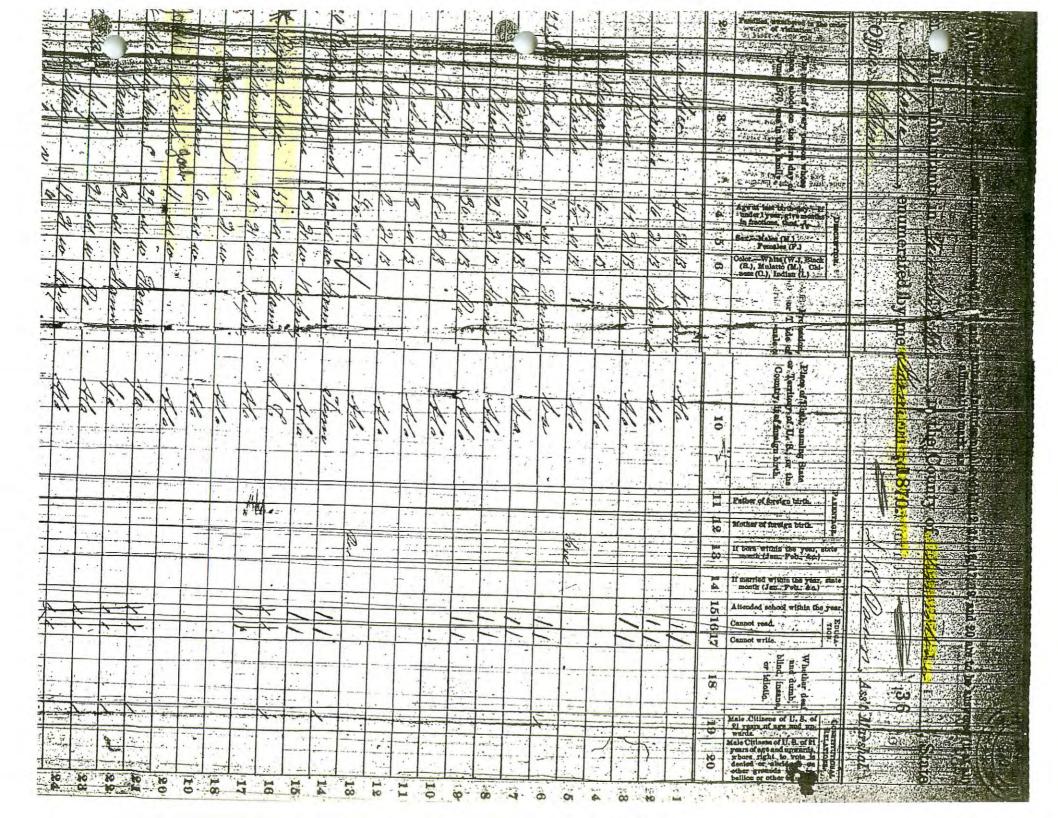
Married - Dallas Yokley 11/20/18714 Buried Eastern Star Cemetery 12/24/1956 SEWANEZ, TN. (2) NETTIE & GASS

John W. Byars was killed in logging accident on 2/12/1872. It is unknown where he is buried. They lived in Limestone Co.

Sarah Jane left Thomas Meeks (Nickname Sugarfoot) because he was so mean to her and the children. Lambirth and her then raised the girls.

Sarah Byars Meeks is buried at Clouse Hill Cemetery, Tracy City, TN

Note: Margaret & Malissa married brothers in Alabama then moved to Arkansas, Mazarn Co. Manerva and Sarah Elizabeth husbands were killed in the Civil War. Sarah then married in Grundy Co., TN to John Quincy Adams. After his death she moved to Arkansas and is buried there.



# GRUNDY COUNTY MARRIAGES

Date license issued	Couple married * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * *	Date and by whom solemnized * * * * * * * * * *
December 26, 18 <u>72</u>	James K. Warren Martha A. Simmons	not given
October 2, 1873	Wm. L. Jones Sarah Gilliam	October 2, 1873 T. P. Levins, M.G.
November 26, 1872	Charles Mabec Mary A. McGeorge	not given
December 25, 1872	Squire Mullins Jane Guinn	December 26, 1872 Parson Sutherland
June 18, 1873	T. J. Campbell M. A. Meeks	not given
June 25, 1873	John Phipps Martha Dickerson	not given
January 23, 1873	J. C. Meeks Louisa Phipps	not given
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January 16, 1873	Stephen Tucker Martha Pendygrass	January 15, 1873 A. K. Layne, J.P.
September 5, 1873	James T. Jackson Nancy Jane Hasket	September 7, 1873 A. K. Layne, J.P.
September 30, 1873	Wm. Gilliam Josaphine Patton	October 1, 1873 J. T. Roberts, M.G.
September 3, 1873	John P. Cox Malinda Wooten	September 4, 1873 A. K. Layne, J.P.
January 1, 1873	Wm. McFarland Casoma Crabtree	January 3, 1873 A. K. Layne, J.P.
April 5, 1873	Thomas Meeks S. J. Byars	not given
January 4, 1873	M. J. McDilch Fannie E. Prince	not given
February 19, 1874	B. F. Roddy Saraah E. Walker	February 19, 1874 J. E. BII, J.P.
January 5, 1874	Henry Legler Trederick Hock	January 15, 1874 J. K. Bour, J.P.

Married (1) Newton Crow Died 1863, Sparta, Tn. Married 1865

RHODA ANN BEENE

4/1837 - 1923

HENRY TEAGUE

2/1819 - 1903

NANCY ISABELLE CROW

1856 - 6/28/1926

Married (1) Wes Trussell

(2) Willie Byars

BILL CROW

1858

MARTHA CROW

1861

Married - John Anderson

Henry Teague Children

by First Wife

NANCY TEAGUE

1847

HARRIETT TEAGUE

1849

HENRY TEAGUE, JR.

1854

SOLOMON TEAGUE

1856

#### RHODA ANN BEENE-TEAGUE

MARY TEAGUE

1867

Married - Robert Rector

MICHAEL TEAGUE

1869

Married - Belle Gabbard

LEMUEL TEAGUE

2/1872

Married - Sarah J. McCallie 8/1870

MINDA AMANDA TEAGUE

3/8/1874

Married - Joab Lambirth Byars

CLARINDA TEAGUE

1877

Born Married - W. Robert Payne 7/14/71

Born

HENRY TEAGUE is buried in Rogers Cemetery on Huckleberry Mtn. close

to Havanna, ARKANSAS.

The Lemuel and Michael Teague family had moved to Arkansas and Henry was with them when he died in 1903. Also members of the Robert Rector family were there.

Rhoda Ann lived in Tracy City, Tennessee with Minda and Lambirth Byars and other family until around 1920. She went for a visit and also died in Arkansas.

RHODA ANN BEENE-TEAGUE buried Harkey Valley Cemetery, west of Dardonelle, Arkansas.

Nancy Isabelle Crow and Minda Amanda Teague married Brothers.

## ROBERT BEENE, JR.

SARAH WYNNE

7/10/1794 - 5/6/1858

8/8/1796 - 9/22/1868

WILLIAM BEENE	1813-1887	Married Susannah Ballard
MARY BEENE	1815-1893	Married Matthew Harvey Raulston
JOHN BEENE	1818	Married Mary Elizabeth McMahan
OBADIAH BEENE	1820–1892	Married Fallzabeth Jane Patton
MARTHA BEENE	1823	Married William Ballard
ROBERT BEENE, III	1826–1889	Married Sarah Catherine Brown
NANCY BEENE	1828-1894	Married James Crow
SARAH BEENE	1831	Married William Gilliam
LEMUEL BEENE	1833–1887	Married Amanda J. Raulston
MATTHEW BEENE	1835–1920	Married (1) Anne Byron (2) Rebecca Birdwell
RHODA ANN BEENE	4/1837 -1923	Married (1) Newton Crow
RACHEL BEENE	?	(2) Henry Teague

It has not been established when spelling was changed from Bean to Beene.

ROBERT BEENE, JR. won a Bronze Star in the war of 1812.

ROBERT AND SARAH are buried in Beene-Raulston Cemetery, Sweeden's Cove, near South Pittsburg, Tennessee.

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Married 12/18/1890	JOAB LAMBIRTH BYARS	2/15/1867 - 6/13/1931						
HENRY HERBERT	1/14/1892 - 11/18/1914	Never Married						
BESSIE LULA BELLE	10/12/1894 - 3/15/1960	Married - Wilburn Johnson						
DESSIE LEE	5/13/1897 - 3/6/1943	Married - Henry Thompson						
SARAH IONA	1/16/1900 - 6/1/1975	Married - Ben Lankford						
WILLIAM JOAB	9/2/1903 - 6/9/1951	Married - Maude Taylor Died 10/20/199						
JOHN WAYNE	10/2/1906 - 4/25/1926	Married - Maude Taylor						
ANNIE HAZEL	12/22/1908 - 5/3/1975	Married - Roy Johnson						
CECIL UDELL	8/21/1911 - 4/25/1945	Married - John Meadows						
NINA MAE	5/9/1914 - 10/2/2004	Married - Luther G. Nix						

MINDA AMANDA TEAGUE

3/8/1874 - 10/10/1944

Maude Taylor Married John Wayne and had two children. After his death she then married William Joab (Joe).

Bessie and Hazel married brothers, Wilburn and Roy Johnson.

MINDA AND LAMBIRTH are buried in Gregg Cemetery, Tracy City, Tennessee. Herbert, Bessie, Dessie, Wayne, Joe and Hazel are all buried Gregg Cemetery. Cecil buried Hobbs Hill Cemetery.

Iona buried Valhala Cemetery, Fairfield, Alabama.

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#### BYARS DESCENDANTS

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BESSIE LULA BELLE - WILBURN JOHNSON
                      (1)
- Kimi <u>Kobayashi</u> George, Linda
(2)
Rowena <u>Guiggey</u> Mark, Adam
           Herbert
                      -(1)Jesse Elbert Anderson - Jackie, Shirley
           Narva
                       (2) Glenn Thomas - Arnold, Rick, Steve, David
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                       (3) Marvin Owens - Randall
           BEN LANKFORD
SARAH IONA
           Herbert Ewell - (1) Grace _____ 2 Children Dick
                                                  No Children
                               James Johnson
            Lucille
                              Alvin Anderson - Joe, Tim
            Evelyn
                         - Charles ( Chick) Johnson - Debbie, Charlene
            Bennie Jean
                          - (1) Tommy Pfaffe - Joey, Becky:
            Mary Alice
                            (2) Harry Long
WILLIAM JOAB (Joe) - MAUDE TAYLOR (Widow of brother Wayne)
                                                1 Boy, 2 Girls
                          - Marie _____
            Floyd
                              Benny Dykes
                                                2 Boys, 2 Girls
            Delores
                               Willie Mae McDaniel 2 Boys, 2 Girls DIEd
            Donald Wayne
                            (1)
Roy Kenneth Lockhart
                                                          5 Children
            Audrey
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            Mary
               - MAUDE TAYLOR
JOHN WAYNE
                               Walter Cagle - Shirley, Billy
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    Hershel Anderson

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                                Albert Coppinger
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HENRY HERBERT - NEVER Married

DESSIE LEE - Henry Thompson - No Children

#### ANNIE HAZEL - ROY JOHNSON

Zelma - Alfred (Rabbit) Haynes 2 Girls, 2 Boys Died

Carl - Joyce Burnett - 2 Girls, 2 Boys Died

Coneva Ruth (Neva) - Frances Shrum - Barbara Died

Douglas - Betty Rose Nunley - 1 Daughter Died

Wesley - Hazel Sweeton 3 Children

Faye - (Little) George Coppinger - Rosie, Wanda, Mike

#### CECIL UDELL JOHN MEADOWS

Gene - Virginia Keel - Eugene, Haskel, Shirley, Ronnie, Connie, Pat

- Charles Morgan 5 Children Diel 9/15/95

Doris - "Poocher" Smartt 9 Children Died 93

Lloyd Ray - Pam Parsons 5 Children

Haskel - Drown 1947

#### NINA MAE - LUTHER NIX

Ann

Norma Joyce - Andrew Shrum - Deborah (Debbie), Mark

Luther Wayne - (1) Sandra Moore - Ricky, Troy, Danny

(2) Juanita Gould (3) FRANCES CURTIS

Dessie Loris - Floyd Meeks - Norman (Cricket), Rhonda

Henry Joel - Louise Smartt - James (Jamie), Dewayne (Tad), Jason

George Ray - Irmgard Leitch - Darian, Trina, Ursula

Died 12/8/1998

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### 539 BYARS FAMILY HISTORY

Our line of Byars came to Grundy Co. in the early 1870's to join other relatives that were already living in Grundy Co. Sarah Jane Morgan married John W. Byars in Jefferson Co., Alabama in 1862. They had 3 children Mary Byars 1863-1929 married Silas Pearson, William (Willie) 1864 married Nancy Isabelle Crowe, and Joab Lambirth Byars 2/15/1867 - 6/13/1931 married Minda A Teague.

John was killed in a logging accident in 1872 and Sarah came to Grundy County. John had been married before Sarah Jane and had 7 children. Sarah Jane had a step-daughter about her age named Sarah Elizabeth, whose hus-



Herbert, Lambirth, Minda holding Joe, Iona, Dessie, Bessie Byars 1904

band had been killed in the Civil War. Sarah Elizabeth came to Tracy City and married John Quincy Adams. After her husband was killed Sarah Jane came to Tracy City and married Thomas Meeks (Sugarfoot) and had 3 children Frances 1874 married Robert Rohelee, Lullar 1876 married Dallas Yokley, Leona 1878 married William Hamilton. Thomas Meeks was a cruel man to wife and children and Sarah Jane divorced him. She and Lambirth raised the girls. Many of Lambirth and Willie Byars descendants still live on the mountain, Minda Teague Byars, mother was Rhoda Ann Bean 4/1837 - 1923, daughter of Robert Bean, Jr. and Sarah Wynne whose fathers were heros in the American Revolution. They were also among the first settlers in Tennessee and lived in Marion Co. in the Sweetens' Cove area. Rhoda Ann Bean married Newton Crow and had 3 children, Nancy Isabelle, Bill and Martha. Newton died in 1863 in the Civil War. Rhoda then married Henry Teague from North Carolina. They lived in Sweeten's Cove and had 5 children; Mary 1867, Michael 1869, Lemuel 1872, Minda 3/8/1874, Clarinda 1877.

Joab Lambirth Byars married Minda A. Teague on 12/18/1890 and had 9 children Herbert 1/14/1892-11/18/1914, never married,



Byars Family 1888

Bessie 1894-1960 married Wilburn Johnson, 2 children Herbert and Narva, Dessie married Henry Thompson - no children, Iona 1900-1975 married Ben Lankford, 5 ch. Herbert, Lucille, Evelyn, Bennie Jean, Mary Alice; William Joab (Joe) 1903 - 1951 married Maude Taylor Byars after the death of his brother Wayne. 5 children Floyd, Delores, Don, Audrey, Mary. John Wayne 1906-1926 married Maude Taylor 2 children Byrtle and Verna. Hazel married Roy Johnson (brother to Wilburn) 7 children Herman, Zelma, Carl, Neva, Douglas, Wesley, Faye, Cecil 1911-1945 married John Meadows 5 children Gene, Ann, Doris, Lloyd Ray, Haskell, Nina Mae married Luther G. Nix - 5 children Joyce, Wayne, Dessie, Joel, George Ray.

Lambirth Byars was a coal miner and worked with the Tennessee Consolidated Coal Co and worked with his sons Herbert and Wayne and his brother Willie in area coal mines. He also had a singing group that sang at churches. He was injured in a mining accident and died not long after on 6/13/1931. Minda lived with her youngest daughter Nina Mae until her death on

10/10/1944.
Minda and Lambirth are buried at Gregg Cemetery along with all their children but Cecil buried Hobbs Hill Cemetery and Iona buried Valhala Cemetery, Fairfield, AL. There are only two surviving Byars with that name and that is Floyd and his Son Michael. They do not live in Grundy County.

Sarah Jane Byars Meeks died 9/5/1903 and buried Clouse Hill Cemetery.

The picture taken in about 1888 shows Leon, Lullar Meeks, Lambirth Byars, Frances Meeks and Nancy Isabell Crowe in back. Dallas Yokley, Sarah Jane Byars Meeks, Willie Byars. Submitted by: Norma Joyce Shrum, 1308 Scout Rd., Hixson, TN 37343

FRONT

SARAH JANE BYARS MEEKS DALLAS YOKELY WILLIE BYARS BACK

LILLIAR (LULA), LEONA, LAMBIRTH, FRANCES, ISABELLE

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