

Family Group Sheet for Ambrose Blackwell

Husband:		Ambrose Blackwell
	Birth:	Abt. 1822 in Hickman County, Tennessee
	Death:	15 May 1875 in Boles, Scott County, Arkansas
	Marriage:	Abt. 1860 in Scott County, Arkansas
	Father:	John Hamilton Blackwell
	Mother:	Sarah Anderson Blackwell
Wife:		Eliza Jane Sessions Blackwell Ausmus
	Birth:	07 Jun 1844 in Mountain Township, Arkansas
	Death:	03 Dec 1921 in Weleetka, Okfuskee County, Oklahoma
	Burial:	03 Dec 1921 in Weleetka, Okfuskee County, Oklahoma
	Father:	James Augustus Sessions
	Mother:	Lucinda Ivey Sessions
Children:		
1	Name:	Permelia Ann Blackwell McElroy
F	Birth:	Aug 1862 in Boles, Scott County, Arkansas
	Death:	18 Jun 1918 in Reichert, LeFlore County, Oklahoma
	Marriage:	Abt. 1877 in Boles, Scott County, Arkansas
	Spouse:	James Wade McElroy
2	Name:	Lucy Oda Blackwell Crump
F	Birth:	12 May 1868 in Boles, Scott County, Arkansas
	Death:	Abt. 1933 in Okemah, Okfuskee County, Oklahoma
	Marriage:	05 Jun 1884 in Scott County, Arkansas
	Spouse:	Alexander Leander Crump
3	Name:	Union Savannah Blackwell Williams
F	Birth:	Oct 1870 in Scott County, Arkansas
	Death:	11 Oct 1936 in Wellington, Collingsworth County, Texas
	Burial:	Oct 1934 in McLean, Gray County, Texas
	Marriage:	13 Jan 1883 in Scott County, Arkansas
	Spouse:	Raymond Dedford Williams
4	Name:	Francis D. Blackwell Draper
M	Birth:	06 Mar 1871 in Scott County, Arkansas
	Marriage:	30 Jan 1886 in Boles, Scott County, Arkansas
	Spouse:	W. H. Draper
5	Name:	Julia Elizabeth Blackwell Hall
F	Birth:	30 Sep 1878 in Scott County, Arkansas
	Death:	Bef. 1900
	Spouse:	Robert M. Hall

Notes

Ambrose Blackwell

From the database of Margie Lee (Crofford) Phillips: Great appreciation goes to people like Margie willing to share their history; it is truly the sharing that helps our history both grow and be better preserved:

Special thanks also to Joan McGown and Charlene Holland for their many hours of research and their generosity in sharing. It is always with the help of many people that help a genealogy project become complete.

One cannot do it alone.

Notes (con't)

Ambrose Blackwell joined Company H, 19th Arkansas Infantry, CSA (Dawson's) with his two brothers, Anthony and James, February 22, 1862. After limited participation in the Battle of Pea Ridge (March 7-8, 1862) the Arkansas 19th was assigned to Brig. Gen. Albert Pike's Brigade of Indian Troops, the 1st & 2nd Creek Regiments and a Regiment of Choctaws to build Fort McCulloch at Boggy Depot, Indian Territory, near present day Atoka, Oklahoma. From there, the company was called to Little Rock to join Lt. Gen. T. C. Hindman to rebuild military operations in Arkansas, after almost totally being depleted from sending troops east of the Mississippi. At this time, the new conscript law went into effect causing much discontent in the ranks. (The term of service agreed to had been one year) Several men were discharged due to their age. Ambrose Blackwell was one of these men.

According to his discharge papers, Ambrose was 5' 6" tall, with dark hair, dark complexion and blue eyes. In later records, Ambrose, John H. and James Blackwell joined the Union 2nd Kansas Cavalry.

From the Military History of Kansas Regiments and the Adjutant General's Report - Military History of the 2nd Kansas Cavalry

The following is written quoting excerpts from pages 34, 35, 38, 39, 41, 42, 43) "During the month of December 1863 the regiment was actively engaged in scouting east, west and south of Waldron, and frequently met scouting parties of the enemy. The weather was rainy and cold, the men were on short rations and suffered more than they had done at any time before. On the 24th snow fell to the depth of ten inches, and the thermometer indicated 18 degrees below zero." According to the Adjutant General's Report, Ambrose Blackwell enlisted at Waldron, on December 19, 1863. His son, John H. had enlisted on December 1, 1863, and both Ambrose and John H. mustered in on December 19, 1863. Ambrose' brother, James enlisted and mustered in on December 26, 1863. They were all three originally in company G but James and Ambrose are listed in company L at the end of the war. "The organization of company L was completed on the 2nd of March 1864, by the promotion of First Lieutenant Pat Cosgrove to be Captain. This squadron was recruited in Arkansas during the winter of 1863-4 by Cosgrove, Hutchinson and Miller..... Ambrose and James BLACKWELL were both promoted to Farrier on March 1, 1864.

According to the Adjutant General's Report Ambrose and John H. were both taken prisoner of war at Fort Gibson, Cherokee Nation on September 16, 1864. ".... Company L was mustered out on the 22nd of June 1865 at Fort Gibson, with Capt. Pat Cosgrove, First Lieutenant Joseph Hutchinson and Second Lieutenant John Miller, for the reason that their services were no longer required."

On June 22, 1865, James Blackwell was mustered out at Fort Gibson, Cherokee Nation.

On August 11, 1865, Ambrose and his son John H. were mustered out at Leavenworth, Kansas. From the Descriptive Roll of the 2nd Kansas Cavalry we have the following physical descriptions of the Blackwell men:

James Blackwell was 25 years old, 5 feet 8 inches, had sandy hair, blue eyes, and a light complexion. He was married and a farmer. His place of nativity is given as Franklin, Arkansas. According to the descriptive roll he was appointed blacksmith on January 1, 1864.

Ambrose is 40 years old, 5 feet 5 inches, had black hair, blue eyes, and a light complexion. He was married and a farmer. He was born in Hickman, Tennessee. He was also appointed blacksmith on January 1, 1864.

John H. was 18 years old, 5 feet, 8 inches, had fair hair, black eyes, a light complexion. He was single and a farmer. He was born in Scott County, Arkansas.

U. S. Census 1850 Scott County, Arkansas Page: 142 B
24 th October Mountain Township

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38 Blackwell, Ambrose 25 M Farmer TN

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39 Blackwell, Mary	22 F	ILL
40 Blackwell, Catherine	J.4 F	ARK
41 Blackwell, John H	.6 M	ARK
42 Northern, Savannah	1 F	ARK

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1 Blackwell, Mary E.	1 F	ARK
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U. S. Census 1860 Scott County, Arkansas Page: 718 B
15th June Mountain Township

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20 Blackwell, Ambrus	38 M	Farmer	200 490	TN
21 Blackwell, John H.	14 M			ARK
22 Blackwell, Sarah C.	12 F			ARK
23 Blackwell, Mary E.	10 F			ARK
24 Blackwell, James A.	8 M			ARK
25 Blackwell, Henry A.	5 M			ARK
26 Blackwell, Elizabeth	1 F			ARK

Wife Mary deceased during the year prior to census. So buried in Mountain Township; Scott County, Arkansas.

U. S. Census 1870 Scott County, Arkansas Page: 620 B

42/42

34 Blackwell, Ambrose	46 M W	Farmer	450	TN
35 Blackwell, Eliza J.	26 F W	Keeping House		ARK
36 Blackwell, Permelia	9 F W			ARK
37 Blackwell, Lucy O	.2 F W			ARK
38 Blackwell, Union S.	5/12 M W			ARK
39 Fields , William	5 M W			TX
40 Session Sarah	15 F W			ARK

Eliza Jane Sessions Blackwell Ausmus

Notes (con't)

Margie Nell (Crofford) Phillips of Amarillo, Texas shared a copy of the Certificate of Death She also submitted a lot of the history on Eliza Jane Ausmus... Thank you Margie Lee for sharing.

U.S. Census 1850 Scott County, Arkansas Page: 132B
Hickman Township 9th October

Dwelling 86/86 with her family as follows:

16 Sessions, James A.	30 M	Farmer	GA
17 Sessions, Lucinda	24 F M		ILL
18 Sessions, Mary E.	9 F M		ARK
19 Sessions, Eliza J.	7 F M		ARK
20 Sessions, Patience P.	3 F M		ARK
21 Sessions, Robert E.	6 mo M M		ARK

Eliza J. Sessions wasn't found in the 1860 Scott County census, but her brother Robert Sessions, 10, was living in the home of E. H. Densmore in Tumlinson Township. Her sister Sarah A. Sessions, 5, was found in the home of John H. Blackwell, 65, and his wife Malinda, 50... Eliza J. Sessions is found in the 1870 census, Mountain Township, Dwelling # 42/42 as the wife of Ambrose Blackwell, whom she married in 1860.

U. S. Census 1870 Scott County, Arkansas Page: 619B
Mountain Township 2nd July

42/42

34 Blackwell, Ambros	46 M W	Farmer	TN
35 Blackwell, Eliza J.	26 F W	Keeping House	ARK
36 Blackwell, Permelia	9 F W		ARK
37 Blackwell, Lucy O.	2 F W		ARK
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1 Session, John	18 M W		ARK
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Lucy Oda Blackwell Crump

Information on this family submitted by Lucy's gr grandson; Bill Roberts who lives in Arkansas.

Union Savannah Blackwell Williams

Copy of Obit shared by Margie Nell (Crofford) Phillips of Amarillo, Texas.

Savannah found spelled many different ways throughout research.

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Obit had "He" instead of "She" throughout: I made corrections:

Tuesday, September 4, 1934
U. S. Williams Buried Tuesday

Funeral services for Union Savannah Williams, 65, were conducted at the McLean Cemetery at 3 o'clock Tuesday afternoon, October 20.

Mrs. Williams died in Wellington at 4 o'clock Monday afternoon. She was 65 years, 10 months and 28 days of age at the time of her death, having been born in Scott County, Arkansas, November 29, 1870. She came to this county fifteen years ago and during her residence here has acquired many, many friends who mourn her death. She was widely known over the county as a good, substantial citizen and held the esteem of those who knew her.

Mrs. Williams is survived by Mrs. Oma Sullivan, Lawton, Oklahoma; Mrs. Vanna Smith, Las Animas, Colorado; Abbit Williams, Pueblo, Colorado; Ibet Williams, Brady, Texas; Mrs. Earlie Marshall, Las Animas.

Hymns were "In The Shadow of The Rock" and "How Beautiful Heaven Must Be."

Interment was made in the McLean Cemetery by the Wellington Funeral Home.

Francis D. Blackwell Draper

Notes for Francis D. BLACKWELL:

Thanks to Margie Lee (Crofford) Phillips for sharing a copy of this

Affidavit: in Eliza J.'s own words and handwriting, Francis' birthdate.