

## Descendants of George Washington Turner

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George Washington Turner, son of John Burnett Turner, Sr., and Naoma Angeline Via, was born June 6, 1853, in Patrick County, Virginia. George died May 5, 1907, in Raleigh County, West Virginia, and is buried at the Dickens-Turner Cemetery, at Mattsville, Raleigh County, West Virginia. George was a young child when his parents relocated from Patrick County to Raleigh County.

On November 18, 1875, in Raleigh County, George married Sarah Elizabeth Stover who was born on February 13, 1854, in Raleigh County, Virginia, and died May 1, 1928, in Raleigh County, West Virginia. Sarah is also buried at the Dickens-Turner Cemetery, Mattsville, Raleigh County. Their marriage was performed by George's brother William Turner. Information for the marriage license was provided by Jubal Stover. Her parents were Jubal Stover and Mary "Polly" Rutroff.

George and Sarah had children:

1. Adelpia "Deb" Turner was born April 11, 1877. She married James W "Jim" Atha who was born April 8, 1872, at Sandlick, Raleigh County, West Virginia, and died before 1900. They were married December 24, 1891, in Raleigh County, West Virginia. James' parents were Lorenzo Dow Atha and Mary Jane Wiseman. Their child:

- Adelpia Jane "Janie" Atha was born December 10, 1892, Wyoming County, West Virginia. Adelpia married first Arch Hollandworth who was born in 1886 in Boyd County, Kentucky. They were married March 17, 1909, at Cranberry, Raleigh County. Information for their marriage license was given by A. Hollandsworth and G. M. Stewart. Adelpia married second Omer Ezra Pauley who was born about 1889 in Lincoln County, West Virginia. They were married May 28, 1939, at Naoma, Raleigh County by Reverend Henry Pettry. His parents were Mack Pauley and Annie \_\_\_\_\_. Adelpia married second George Mont Stewart on December 29, 1894 Raleigh County. Their children were:

- Edward Oscar "Henry" Stewart was born February 12, 1898, and died February 22, 1951. About 1928, Edward married Beatrice Cook who was born May 11, 1906, and died April 1, 1995. Her parents were Ulysses Stark Cook and Mary Susan Dickens.

- Homer Stewart was born February 12, 1902, in West Virginia, and died at the Kanawha Valley Hospital, in Kanawha County, West Virginia, on December 31, 1928,



**Adelpia Atha  
Hollandsworth  
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Oscar and Homer  
Stewart**

according to his death certificate. He was buried at Montcoal, Raleigh County, where he resided. About 1922, Homer married Grace Dickens who was born June 18, 1906. Her parents were Francis Marion Dickens and Hester Luane Peters.

2. Susan Elizabeth "Suse" Turner was born December 19, 1878, in Raleigh County, West Virginia. Suse died October 22, 1960 or 1968 in Raleigh County, West Virginia. She is buried at the Dickens-Turner Cemetery, Mattsville, Raleigh County, West Virginia. Sue was married first to John Newman after 1896. She was married second on April 13, 1901, in Raleigh County to William "Willie" Newman. William was born about 1866 in Bedford County, Virginia, and died Raleigh County, West Virginia. William is buried at the Dickens-Turner Cemetery, Mattsville, Raleigh County, West Virginia. Children of Susan and William:

- Claude G. Newman was born March 10, 1895, and died March 1975 Raleigh County, West Virginia. Claude is buried at the Dickens-Turner Cemetery, Mattsville, Sandlick, Raleigh County, West Virginia. Claude married Beulah Gem Harper who was born December 9, 1901, at Sandlick, Raleigh County, West Virginia. Beulah died December 12, 1996, at Sandlick. She is buried at Dickens-Turner Cemetery, Mattsville, Sandlick. Caude and Beulah were married: May 18, 1921, in Raleigh County, West Virginia. She was the daughter of James Benjamin "Jim" Harper and Victoria Alice Vaughn.

- Fannie Mae Newman was born January 30, 1902 and died July 17, 1936, Fayette County, West Virginia. On January 24, 1923, Fannie married Gilbert Haven Dickens who was born December 15, 1897, in Raleigh County. Haven died October 3, 1972. His parents were Henry Jahue (Jehu) Dickens and Mary Etta (Marietta) "Ettie" Turner.

- Blanche Newman was born about 1905.

3. Arthur Garfield "Gar" Turner was born April 4, 1881 Raleigh County, West Virginia, and died January 12, 1937. Garfield married Almeda "Allie" Wiseman who was born February 16, 1883, in Raleigh County, West Virginia. They were married October 13, 1901, in Raleigh County, West Virginia. Her parents were James Clark "Jim" Wiseman and Amanda "Mandy" Wiseman. Garfield married second Edith "Edie" Allen who was born about 1891 and died November 19, 1961. Garfield and Edith were married March 28, 1910, in Raleigh County.

Children of Garfield and Almeda:

- Posey Hubert Turner was born July 1, 1904, at Oley or Sweeneysburg, Raleigh County, West Virginia, died either March 5 or 8, 1974, Beckley, Raleigh County, West Virginia. On August 5 or 15, 1923, at Pax, Fayette County, West Virginia, Posey married Blanche Beckelhimer. Blanche was born February 18, 1906, at Paint Creek, Raleigh County, and died July 24, 1991, at Beckley, Raleigh County, West Virginia. She

is buried at the Pax Community Cemetery, Fayette County, West Virginia. Her parents were James Elbert Beckelhimer and Cora Lee Aliff.

- Dewey (William?) Turner was born April 24, 1906, and died October 6, 1993. He married Maude \_\_\_\_\_.

4. Jennette "Nettie" Turner was born July 14, 1883, in Raleigh County, West Virginia.

5. Joseph H. Turner was born in January 1885.

6. John Lee Turner was born March 19, 1887, and died July 20, 1945. John married Lillie Mae Lester who was born April 22, 1892, at Paint Creek, Raleigh County, West Virginia. Lillie died May 28, 1966. Both are buried at Mount Tabor Cemetery, Beckley, Raleigh County, West Virginia. Her parents were John Silas Lester and Louisa Mae Miller. Their son:

- Basil D Turner was born August 20, 1912, and died in July 1968.

7. Mary A. Turner was born August 1889. She married first \_\_\_\_\_ Jarvis. She married second William A. "Andy" Hendricks who was born about 1889. They were married September 5, 1903. Their children:

- Dempsey V. Hendricks was born about 1910.

- Sybil T. Hendricks was born 1912.

8. George Harrison Turner was born in November 1890. He was buried at the Pax Community Cemetery, Pax, Fayette County, West Virginia.

9. James Herbert Turner was born March 18, 1892, Raleigh County, West Virginia, and died November 5, 1937, in a slate fall at Eccles No. 5 coal mine, Crab Orchard Improvement Company; Raleigh County, West Virginia. He was buried at Mount Tabor Cemetery, Beckley, Raleigh County, on November 7, 1937. The Reverend G. W. Godbey married James and Dana M. Athey on April 4, 1917. Dana was born July 13, 1899, Mattsville, Raleigh County, West Virginia, and died April 11, 1926, Raleigh County, West Virginia. Dana was buried in the Charley Athey Cemetery, near the Beckley Coal Mining, Mattsville Road, Sandlick, Raleigh County, West Virginia. Her parents were Charles Alexander "Charley" (Atha) Athey and Eliza Jane "Lizzie" Lester. James and Dana's daughter:

- Glenna Mae Turner was born January 1, 1918, at Eccles, Raleigh County, West Virginia. She married Walter (Wazniak) Wazneak who was born about 1913 in Archobold County, Pennsylvania.

James married second Thelma Mamie Lester about 1927. Thelma was born June 8, 1910, at Eccles, Raleigh County, West Virginia. She died June 2, 1987, in Mauldin, South

Carolina. She was buried at Blue Ridge Memorial Gardens, Prosperity, Raleigh County, West Virginia. Her parents were Reverend William Alfred Lester and Ida May Stover. James and Thelma had children:

- Edward Herbert "Eddie" Turner was born August 15, 1928. Edward married Mary Frances McCullough who was born October 29, 1929, in Dawson County, Texas.

- Dennis Paul Turner was born about February or March 1930 and died September 5, 1950, in Spokane, Washington. He was killed in an auto accident.

- Goldie Pearl Turner was born April 30, 1936. She married Bobbie Harper.

10. Maud Turner. I have located two dates of birth for Maude. The first is October 2, 1895, and the second is February 1, 1896, in Raleigh County. Maud died June 29, 1898, in Raleigh County, West Virginia.