

son of John James & Avarilla Standeford

WALTER JAMES b.10 April 1770, Harford County, Maryland
d.12 January 1862 Sullivan County, Tennessee
m.30 August 1792 Lydia Cox (b.11 September 1766 Baltimore
County, Md.; d.24 January 1852 Sullivan County, Tennessee)
Ten children- ²²¹

Malinda James b.1 June 1793; d.25 June 1827 *inclair*
m.10 January 1818 Alexander S. Gunning
Amos James b.19 October 1794; d.3 January 1878 *July 1798 Sulli*
m.6 October 1818 Nancy C. Wilson *28 April 1862 Hen*
(Alvey) Alice James b.28 February 1796; d.7 February 1850 *COTN*
m.26 February 1815 Jacob Sturm
Elizabeth James b.13 May 1798; d.13 October 1830
m.19 February 1824 Jesse Craft
Nancy M. James b.18 August 1800; d.1850 ²⁶
m. Henry Anderson (no date)
Louisa James b.8 December 1803; d.19 January 1818 Single
Elisha James b.18 January 1802 d.25 August 1835
m. Sarah ? no date
Jesse J. James b.19 October 1804; d.1856
m. Sarah Vincent (no date)
Eleanor James b.12 March 1807; d. no date given
m. Noah Gammon no date given (see Gammon Book)
George R. James b.12 June 1810; d. *pinkney*
m.29 March 1838 Abigail Vincent DAR # 115163

This record is from the James Bible as sent by Mrs. Trolinger

Walter James and wife, Lydia, are buried in the James Family
Cemetery on Island Road-Sullivan County, Tenn.

WILL OF WALTER JAMES

I Walter James do make and publish this as my last Will and Testament hereby revoking and making Void all other wills by me at any other time made. First- I direct that my funeral expences and all my debts be paid soon after my death as possible out of my monies that I may die possed of or may first come into the hands of my Executors.

Secondly-I give and bequeath to Lauza Goodman,one Cupboard one table one bed stead and bedding,one two year old Colt that I promised her,my white cow,\$25.00 out of my estate to get her a bridle and saddle,I give and bequeath to my grate grandson, John Powel,the balance of my plantation supposed to be 100 acres be the same more or less.Beginning at my corner tree going all around it,my red canery grey mare my bed I sleep on including the bed stead and beding.Margaret Pickens is to have the place where she lives that is to say the house and Garden for four or five years by paying \$10.00 per Year in Schooling the Children.I give and bequeath to my Grand Son Walter James (my own Elishas son) And his sister Mrs.Latham,\$150,out of my estate when the river place is sold.

I give and bequeath to my grand Son Wm. Sturm And his Sister Mrs. Wells \$150.00 out of my estate when the river place is Sold. I have heretofore given and bequeathed to my Son in law A.S. Gunning all I intend him to have. I paid a part of the price of the place my son Amos James bought of King. I do give and bequeath to my son Amos James a note I hold on his son W.W. James for about \$500. I give and bequeath to my grand daughter to enable her to Support her blind Son \$400. that is to say Amos Clark. I have heretofore given the balance of my Children what I intend them to have-my river place is to be sold by my Executors as soon after my death as they can for not less than \$2,000 down.

I give and bequeath to James A. Gunnings daughters, \$100 when the River place is sold. I give & bequeath to Henry Andersons daughters \$100. when the river place is sold. I give & bequeath to my Grand daughter Malvina Walford ~~Children~~ all the money notes & accounts all the property of ~~all~~ kinds that I have not disposed of heretofore in this will. Lastly I do hereby Nominate James A. Gunning & Henry Anderson my Executors. In witness whereof I do make this my last will set my hand and seal this 1st day of Oct. 1861

Signed Sealed And published in Walter James
our presence And we have subscribed
our Names hereto in the presence of
the Testator this 1st Oct.1861 Thomas Lane . William J.Lane

A true copy of the last Will & Testament of Walter James
Decd as appears proven of record in my office. Given under
my hand and official Seal at office in Blountville 4 June
1862 John C. Rutledge clerk

WILL of ALICE (JAMES) STURM- Hawkins County, Tennessee

In the name of God-Amen. I Ailey Sturm being of sound and disposing mind and memory but feeble in body-do make and publish this, as my last will and testament, hereby revoking and making void, all other wills by me at any time made.

First, I give and bequeath to my beloved daughter Catherine one hundred and fifty dollars, to be paid out of any monies that I may die seized and possessed of, or may first come into the hands of my executors and it is also my will and desire that my said daughter Catherine have all of my interest in the stock on hand in a certain tanyard, in which James L.L. McCall and myself are jointly interested, and that shall be her portion of my property.

Secondly-It is my will and desire that my slave Harry-who has been an obedient and faithful servant; and who I have always intended should be liberated at my death, shall be privileged and allowed to live with any of my children whom he choose and that he shall not be sold by my executors, nor be confined to any particular place of residence by them, but that he may remain with my children in common.

Thirdly-It is my will and desire that all my personal property except above mentioned be sold by my executors and that the proceeds of said sales be equally divided between my six other children. Vis-Maria who intermarried with one Montgomery S. Wells, Nancy who intermarried with Samuel Snapp, Eliza who intermarried with one James L.L. McCall, Sarah who intermarried with one M.T. Cox, William and Jacob, and that my executors pay George W. Alexander one dollar therefrom.

Lastly-I do hereby nominate and appoint Montgomery S. Wells and my son Jacob Sturm my executors.

In witness whereof I do to this will, set my hand and Seal, This Seventeenth day of July 1849.

Aley Sturm

Signed, sealed and published in our presence, and we have subscribed our names hereto in the presence of the testatrix. This Seventeenth day of July 1849.

Edward J. Aston
Francis Goodman

Children of Alice (Aley) James Sturm and Jacob W. Sturm-

Catherine -single

Maria Sturm who married Montgomery S. Wells

Nancy Sturm 1821-1853 m. Samuel Snapp 1817-1886, son of Samuel Snapp b. 1781 and Dianna Pemberton-Sullivan County-moved to Greene County, Tennessee. Nancy is buried Zion Presbyterian Cemetery d. 15 September 1853, age 32 yrs.

1850 Greene County, Tennessee Samuel E. Snapp 33 m Tenn.

Nancy " 29 f "

Thomas S. " 7 m "

Samuel V. " 5 m "

Ann E. " 3 f "

Alice M. " 1 f "

Sent by Evelyn Thompson
Treasure Island
Florida 33706

- 37 Dolphin Drive

LIDDIA COX b.11 September 1766 near Baltimore, Maryland, of parents born in England. Liddia Cox had four brothers one of whom, WILLIAM, died in Maryland. The other three brothers fought in the Revolutionary War, JOSEPH, THOMAS and GRANBERRY. JOSEPH and THOMAS died in Sullivan County, Tennessee and are buried four miles west of Blountville on what is known as the Gunning Farm. Granberry went to Davidson County, Tennessee and was among the first settlers of Nashville. Quoted from ROY WHITE.*

Walter James first saw Liddia Cox at a fair ~~in Baltimore~~ and fell in love with her at first sight, according to W.F. Sturm of Rogersville, Tennessee in his certified copy of the family history under date of 15 of April 1905. Walter did not meet his future wife until she moved to Sullivan County, Tennessee with her ^{mother} ~~parents~~. Walter James was in Washington County, Tennessee in 1783 in the part that later became Sullivan County.

Walter James made his will 1 October 1861; proven 4 June 1862; recorded in Will Book 1830-1870 -Blountville, Sullivan County, Tennessee WILL of WALTER JAMES page 15. This will has been copied and is given in the following pages.

1850 census Sullivan County, Tennessee
#270

WALTER JAMES	80 m	Maryland
LYDIA	"	85 f "
MALVINA POWEL	23 m	Tennessee
JOHN	"	"

Walter James received 92 acres of land 3 March 1794^{25 L/Pounds} from Ruth Cox on Muddy Creek, Sullivan County, Tennessee
Deed Book 2, page 677

Deed Book 4, page 769 Sullivan County, Tenn. December 14, 1805
WALTER JAMES from Jeremiah Taylor \$600. 156 acres on Kendricks Creek on the south side of Holston River between Huffman & Collier Witnesses were-John Jennings
Joseph Cox

Deed Book 3, page 595 200 acres from Henry Skrite 29 Nov. 1798
on the Island Road.

Bookm 4, p. 592 Walter James sold to Frederick Branstetter-
500 (could be 300) acres of land 20 August 1804

* Roy WHITE
5022 Moor Dale Lane
Salt Lake City, Utah
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MALINDA JAMES, daughter of Walter James and Lydia Cox James,

b.1 June 1793-d.25 June 1827 Stone in Gunning Cemetery
m.ca.1817 to Alexander Sinclair Gunning b.13 May 1792 and
d.24 May 1872-Gunning Cemetery.The Gunning family gave land for
the cemetery and built a Presbyterian Church.Their old home
was nearby.Other members of the family are buried here.The old
Gunning farm was four miles west of Blountville,Sullivan Coun-
ty.The will of Walter James states,"I have heretofore given
and bequeathed to my Son in law A.S.Gunning all I intended him
to have." He named his grandson,son of A.S.Gunning,James A.Gun-
ning,as one of the executors of his will.A.S.Gunning is given
in the 1850 census of Sullivan County as "Sinclere Guning,age
60 years,born in Virginia and a farmer!On his tombstone is in-
scribed "Alexander S.Gunning".His wife's stone"Malinda Gunning
Consort of Alexander S.Gunning."From 1850 census record their
children were-

James A.Gunning b.10 May 1818;d.2 July 1885 Gunning Cem.

David Gunning b.ca.1824-may have gone to Dallas,Texas

Lydia Gunning b.25 July 1825;d.7 March 1857 Gunning Cem

George J.Gunning b.31 May 1837 d.27 June 1890 Gunning Cem

James A.Gunning had wife Joannah _____ in 1850,a son St.Clair
(Sinclair) age 7 and Thomas D.age 2. The cemetery lists
Joanna,wife of James A.Gunning,b.23 February 1823;d.19 May
1900. THOMAS D.GUNNING,b.11 November 1848;d.14 November 1923
Frances M.Gunning,wife of T.P.Chase,b.24 August 1850;d.15
April 1924

Lydia James Gunning,consort of Thomas C.Spurgeon

Lydia J.Gunning married after 1850.One daughter was born
on 28 February 1857,Lydia Gunning Spurgeon,died 28 Septem-
ber 1923,Sullivan County. Family tradition related that
Lydia James Gunning was a beautiful woman and had beautiful
clothes and jewelry.She had two or three brothers that a-
dored her-the brothers moved to Dallas,Texas.This is not
entirely true as we find two of the brothers,James and
George Gunning buried in the family cemetery on the Gun-
ning farm.The wife of Thomas Craft Spurgeon only lived
nine days after the birth of her daughter.Lydia Gunning
Spurgeon married 26 September 1876 Eldridge Dacatur Akard
son of James Akard and Eliza Carlton.Their daughter,Fannie
Akard,b.26 February 1879;d.February 1958.Fannie Akard mar-
ried Bert E.Smith,son of Alexander Smith and Olivia M.Ham-
ilton.

George J.Gunning b.31 May 1827;d.27 June 1890 Gunning Cemetery
m. 19 April 1850 Emaline Spurgen,sister to Thomas who mar-
ried Lydia James Gunning,b.16 May 1827;d. 13 May 1906 Gunning
Ce_metery

AMOS JAMES, son of Walter James and his wife, Lydia Cox James,
 b. Sullivan County, Tennessee October
 d. 3 January 1878 in Henry County, Tennessee (TENNESSEE COUSINS
 Henry County, Tennessee page 778) Cemetery record.
 m. NANCY C. WILSON b. 2 July 1798. Sullivan County, Tennessee
 d. 8 April 1862 Henry County, Tennessee.

Amos James married and lived in Sullivan County for a time. He moved to Henry County, Tennessee before 1850. The Will of Walter James, his father, states-"I paid a part of the price of the place my son Amos James bought of King. I do give and bequeath to my son Amos James, a note I hold on his son W.W. James for about \$500."

Muddy Creek Church appeared in the Minutes of the Association in 1826 when it was represented by AMOS JAMES and John Spurgeon.

Amos James was the sheriff of Sullivan County 1836-1840. He is not given in the 1850 census for Sullivan County and probably can be found in the 1850 census for Henry County, Tennessee.

1850 census Sullivan County, Tennessee

#181	JAMES, WILLIAM W.	29 merchant	Tenn. (son of AMOS JAMES)
"	MARY	31 f	Va.
"	OLIVIA	7 f	Tenn.
"	LOUISA	5 f	"
"	MARY	4 f	"
"	NANCY	2 f	"

An item of interest in the diary of Jesse Cox, son of Greenberry and Temperance Cox, who became a Baptist preacher-

"May 4, 1858-Bid farewell to kin and friends and started home. (He had been to Kentucky.). Drove 36 miles to Paris (county seat of Henry County, Tennessee) and stayed with Cousin AMOS JAMES that I had not seen in 42 years."

This proves the relationship between Greenberry Cox and Lydia Cox who married Walter James. Jesse Cox kept this diary from 1810 until the Civil War. It is in the Archives in Nashville, Tennessee... donated by descendants several years ago. Jesse Cox had last seen Amos James when he visited east Tennessee before his marriage. 1816.

Deed Book 11-page 10 Sullivan County, Tennessee 16 August 1830

Jacob Cox to Amos James. \$150 24 acres Muddy Creek, part of land where Jesse Cox last lived and also willed to the heirs of said Jesse Cox by his mother Ruth Cox and divided by court order.... corner of James Cox, joining land of said Amos James; Wm. Deery corner Wit.: Wm. Wolford & A. Thomas Reg. September 13, 1830

NANCY M. JAMES b. 17 May 1814, daughter of Walter James and Lydia Cox James, d. 16 May 1859 -Blountville Cemetery m. ca. 1843 HENRY ANDERSON, son of JOHN ANDERSON, b. 5 February 1807; d. 24 December 1861-Blountville Cemetery. Nancy's tombstone states that she is the "consort" of Henry Anderson. WALTER JAMES in his will made 1861 gave \$100 to the daughters of Henry Anderson. Henry Anderson was executor with James A. Gunning of the Walter James WILL.

~~1850 census Sullivan County, Tennessee # 270 Walter James~~ ** use this line*

#271 HENRY ANDERSON 43 m farmer Tennessee \$2500
 NANCY " 36 f "
 MARGARET " 6 f "
 JOHN R. " 4 m "
 ELLEN " 2 f "
 SAMUEL " 2/12 m "
 JOHN " 85 m Maryland living with Henry

ELISHA JAMES ^{b. 1809} -two of his children were mentioned in the will of Walter James-"I give and bequeath to my Grandson Walter James (my own Elishas son) And his sister Mrs. Latham \$150 out of my estate when the river place is sold."

JESSE J. JAMES b. ca. 1805 -d. m. ca. 1830 SARAH MEREDITH VINCENT b. ca. 1811/12, daughter of John Vincent and Elizabeth Cox Vincent. See records of EDWARD COX, REVOLUTIONARY SOLDIER. From the 1850 census record of Sullivan County, Tennessee -

184 JAMES, JESS 45 m Methodist Clergyman Tennessee
 " SARAH 39 f "
 " ELIZA 19 f "
 " MARY 18 f "
 " GEORGE 16 m "
 " THOMAS 14 m "
 " ELBERT 9 m "
 POE ADEN 27 m clerk "
 VINCENT, THOS. 36 m Merchant "
 " MARY 16 f "

GEORGE R. JAMES 1810; d. 1896 m. 1838 ABIGAIL PINKNEY VINCENT (1810-1891) D.A.R. record # 115163. Deposition 1888- *May 21*
 1850 census Sullivan County, Tennessee

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JAMES, GEORGE R.	40 m Tenn.	JAMES, FRANKLIN	4 m Tenn
" ABIGAIL	40 f "	" WALTER	3 m "
" ADLINE	10 f "	" THOMAS	1 m "
" RACHEL	8 f "		