

Lucy Catherine Boswell & Drury Vinson Avery

Lucy Catherine Boswell was the first born child of John Thomas Boswell & Elizabeth B Pully.
A granddaughter to John Boswell & Catherine Kitty Simpson, as well as, James Pully & Lucy Moss.
Named for both of her grandmother's, Lucy was born in 1845 in Giles Co, TN.
Lucy's family moved to Robersonville, Gibson Co, TN which later became, Crockett Mills, Crockett Co, TN.

Lucy's family lived near the James Avery & Sarah Lanier Family Farm. They children all played together and spent a great deal of time together. She married their son, Drury Vinson Avery on Dec 16, 1866 in Gibson Co, TN.

Drew was "Ripsnorter". Her Served in the Civil War as a Corporal in the Confederate Army. He was demoted to Private and his future, brother in law, James Thomas Boswell, took over the roll to lead the company.
Years later he would be noted in the local newspapers as the only old vet to show up in Crockett Co, TN to ride the train as an old war hero. This appeared in the Tri-County Newspaper in 1913.
"He made his first trip back since the state went Republican" the paper indicated.

Drew served time in the state pen for Forgery and making counterfeit money for old man, Roberson.
He had also been involved in illegal fishing with dynamite along the Mississippi River.
"The Game Warden met Drew in town and asked how he was getting all his fish, and Drew (who was not supposed to know he was the game warden) took him down to the river to show him. Drew handed the game warden a stick of dynamite and said, "You wanted to know how I got all the fish, right?" The Game Warden replied "What do you do with this?" Drew said, "Well now sir, I recommend you throw it pretty quick!" as he laughed, the Game Warden threw the stick into the water and Drew knowing he had been set up knew the game warden would not be able to arrest him, since he had just done so himself." (From a phone interview with Wendall Avery).

Lucy divorced Drew while he was in the State Pen. Her mother, Elizabeth, came to live with her and help her with her children when her father had passed away in 1870. While Drew was away, rumor had it that old man Roberson, feeling somewhat guilty, left a bag of groceries on Lucy's doorstep several times.
Drew came back to find himself with out his family and moved in next door with the Raspberry Peal Family.
While Drew was living with the Peals, he fell in love with Harriett Peal, Mr. Peal's daughter.
Drew and Hattie married on Dec 4, 1884.
It is assumed that Lucy remarried but it is unknown where she and Drew are buried.
Hattie Peal Avery died in 1929 and is buried at Providence Cemetery alone.
It is assumed Drew and Lucy are buried together somewhere.

The Children of Drew Avery & Lucy Boswell are:

Mary (Idie, Delie) Avery b. 1866 married Hall Lewis on Feb 14, 1900 in Crockett Co, TN
Children: Iney, Ruby, Avery & Earl Lewis.

Martin "Luther" Avery b. Sep 6, 1868 d. Aug 4, 1953 at Cape Girardeau, MO, Fairmont Cemetery.
Married Emma Summers on March 31, 1894 in Kennett, Dunklin Co, MO Emma b. Feb 15, 1875 d. Mar 27, 1954
Children: Addie Elenora Avery b. April 1, 1895 d. Dec 19, 1981 Dunklin Co, MO. Married George Wesley Vines, Jul 2, 1910 Dunklin Co, MO. Alva Avery Hickson b. 1898, Ola G Avery Montgomery b. 1905, Nell Avery b. Aug 4, 1908 d. March 20, 2002, Fay Avery Wilkins b. 1911, Martin Luther Avery Jr b. May 1915 d. March 29, 1931 buried at Fairmont Cemetery, Cape Girardeau, MO. & John C Avery b. June 23, 1918 married Edith Drum.
They are buried at Fairmont Cemetery, Cape Girardeau, MO

James Avery b. Jan 1870 Dyer Co, TN

Cleopatra "Patra" Avery b. 1872 d. April 22, 1947 (obit Crockett Co, TN) married Ross B Lewis on Dec 18, 1892 at Crockett Co, TN Buried at Oak Grove Cemetery, Gibson Co, TN, near Humboldt, TN.

Children: Flora A 1894, Oran B 1897, Auva 1899, Dorothy 1902, Ora 1905, Cary 1909

Minnie Avery b. 1874

Beulah Grace Avery b. 1877 d. 1957 married Bedford Greene Wright on Nov 23, 1898 in Crockett Co, TN, the son of John Wesley Wright & Mary Jane Rice. Grandson of Jasper Rice and Kesiah Swindle. Bedford & Buelah are buried at Old Providence Cemetery, in Crockett Mills, Crockett Co, TN They had 1 son, Willie Wright b. 1900 Crockett Co, TN

Elizabeth "Bettie" Avery b. 1880 married Milton "Mit" Watson Dec 27, 1906 Crockett Co, TN. Children: Maury Watson 1908; Minnie L Watson June 1909 Buna F Watson Norville (daughter by his first marriage) she died in 1998 (per her granddaughter), Johnnie, Mit L Watson. She had another marriage after this one.

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