

**Dollie is eleventh child of John C Bleakley -Oct 1854 Ark-30 Oct 1901 and his wife Malissa Abertine "Allie" Clanton, born April 1858 Georgia.**

John C Bleakley is buried in Walnut Grove, Newport. In 1900 census John and Allie were in Union Township, Jackson County, Ark. She was mother of 10 children, 6 living - **Lena** born 1881, **Crawford** 1883, **Claude** 1885, **Georgia** 1888, **Loula?** born 1894 and **John** 1896.

Allie was 44 when **Dollie** was born Mar 3, 1902, four months three days after John C. died.

**Daughter Georgia** married **James Hood Churchman** about 1911 and has 3 children in 1930 including **Joe Churchman** born 1924 who Lon remembers as child of Dollie's sister.

**In 1910 census, Dollie is with her widowed mother and sister Lulu in Batesville, Ark.**

1920 census has **Dortha** age 18 married, born Ark, father born GA and mother born Ark.

1930 census has **Dollie G**, age 28 married, born Ark, father born Ark and mother born GA..

*<http://files.usgwarchives.net/ar/jackson/bios/jackbio1.txt>*

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SOURCE: The Goodspeed Publishing Co., 1889. Contributed by Michael Brown.

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JACKSON COUNTY-ACT OF CREATION-SEAT OF JUSTICE LOCATED-COUNTY STRUCTURES-OFFICIAL CATALOGUE-VOTES AND VOTERS-THE WAR OF 1861-65-THE ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE-CHURCH DENOMINATIONS REPRESENTED-SCHOOL MATTERS OUTLINED-NAMES OF THE EARLY SETTLERS-THE COUNTY LOCATED-TOPOGRAPHY-STREAMS-TIMBER-SOIL-RESOURCES-PROPERTY VALUATION-RAILROADS-POPULATION-TOWNS AND VILLAGES-PERSONAL MEMOIRS.

JACKSON COUNTY was organized in accordance with an act of the legislature of the Territory of Arkansas, approved November 5, 1829.\* As then constituted it embraced nearly all of what is now Woodruff County. The latter was cut off in 1862. By the act creating Woodruff, and other acts, the county has been reduced to its present limits, as given in subsequent pages of its history.

**J. C. Bleakley** is a planter and stock raiser of Auvergne.

His parents were **William C. and Catherine Bleakley**, of North Carolina. Mr. Bleakley came to the southern part of Arkansas before the war, where he married, after which he came to Jackson County and bought what is now the Pickett farm. Later he moved to Hempstead County, where he raised his family, and **where our subject was born, October 20, 1854**. The family consisted of nine children, four of whom lived to be grown-William, died at the age of twenty-one; J. C., Mary, wife of Charles Harris, now the wife of George Johnson, farmer of Oil Trough Bottom; and Robert, a farmer. The father, a conservative man politically, **died in 1865**, and the **mother in 1874**. They were both members of Missionary Baptist Church.

J. C. spent his boyhood days on his mother's farm, and at the age of eleven years began its management. He was his mother's main stay, and assisted his brothers and sisters in getting an education, sending his sister one term to the high school at La Crosse. In 1868 he sold his property in Hempstead County, came to Jackson County, and bought forty acres of land, which he began clearing and improving, and on which he has since resided. In 1877 he bought 120 acres adjoining, and now has 115 acres under cultivation, south of **Auvergne**, raising corn and cotton.

In **November, 1876**, he married **Miss Abertine Clanton**, daughter of Javison and Dulciana (Morris) Clanton, of South Carolina and Georgia, respectively, who came to Union Township, Jackson County, in 1871. Her father died in 1882, but the mother, still surviving, resides in Union Township. She has three brothers-William. John and Thomas, farmers in Faulkner County, and a sister, Georgia, wife of John E. Manger, farmer, of Faulkner County.

**Mr. Bleakley's family consists of five children living- Oscar, Lulu, Lina, Crawford, Claude and Georgia; Clyde died in childhood.** In addition to this family, they are raising and giving a home to Idle, Willie and Eva Nelson, children of a widow, one of his tenants, whose dying wish was that they should raise her children. Mr. Bleakley has a pleasant and comfortable home, and has seen a great many improvements in this community. He and his wife are members of Sand Hill Baptist Church. He is a Democrat, but conservative. He is a most enterprising farmer, raising horses, cattle and hogs. He is always active in the interest of all public enterprises for the welfare of the county.

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**John Blakely Birth: unknown Death: Oct. 30, 1901 Newport, Jackson County Arkansas, USA**

John Blakely, aged about 45 years, living nearly three miles south of here, died Wednesday morning, October 30th, at 10 o'clock, after a siege of typhoid-malarial fever.

The burial took place Thursday morning at Walnut Grove Cemetery, the services being conducted by Rev. H.E. Gabby. The deceased leaves a wife and six children, three boys and three girls, one of whom is married. He was a man highly respected by all who knew him.

Of unquestionable character, frank disposition, the qualities that make a true man were in him ever manifest. He was loving and kind in his relations to family and just and honorable in his dealings with men.  
Newport Weekly Independent Friday, Nov. 1, 1901

**Burial: Walnut Grove Cemetery, Newport, Jackson County, Ark**  
**Find A Grave Memorial# 93398009 and # 40449646**

#### **JACKSON CO., ARK., FEDERAL LAND RECORDS**

Very Like these are 2, maybe 3 different people!

BLAKELEY WILLIAM 13 10N 3W 40 1850/07/01 (*maybe son of Isaac and Elmira?*)

*S13 T10N R3W is 5 miles east of Sand Hill Cemetery*

BLAKELY WILLIAM C 24 10N 3W 26.5 1848/09/01 (*Likely William 1826 -1865*)

BLAKELY WILLIAM 24 10N 3W 70.38 1848/09/01 (*Likely William Sr born 1798 Ky*)

*Section 24 T10North range3W is west of Hwy 17, it's SE corner is very near Shoffner. Pickett Lake runs N-S thru center of Section 24, and SW corner cuts into Little Horseshoe Lake.*

#### **AFB Analysis 9 Oct 2011:**

John C Bleakley is found in census 1860, 1870, 1880, and 1900. He died 30 Oct 1901. In 1860, he is with both parents and is the middle of five children. He is with his mother and 3 younger siblings in 1870.

In 1850 and 1860 William C, born 1826 Tenn, is in Hempstead Cty, Arkansas with Catherine and children. In 1870 Catherine, no husband and with 4 children, is in Breckenridge Twp beside Mallory/Simmons family. All Goodspeed gives on life and deaths of William C as 1865 and Catherine 1874 seems matched with census.

Also, I believe that the 1850 Census of Breckenridge Township, Jackson County, Arkansas has William C's parents and siblings in dwellings 6 and 7. It is likely that his father is William Blakely age 52 male, farmer born (1798) Kentucky and mother is Elizabeth age 52 female born (1798) North Carolina. Names thru generations, date and place of birth of children of William and Elizabeth all support this theory.

A cursory look at Clanton family finds Allie and family in Coob County Georgai in 1860 and 1870. All are in Arkansas in 1880, and some are found in each census through 1930. Faulkner County Arkansas is home thru 1920, 70 year old James William Clanton is in Hot Springs County in 1930 with his wife, daughter and granddaughter.