Descendancy Narrative of Rev. Frank Alexander

I. Rev. Frank Alexander was also known as Franklin Alexander. The Carter Co. marriage record is the only place where a first initial of "B." has been found; it is possible that a clerk confused the groom with the prospective father-in-law, Benjamin Franklin Keebler. He was born on 3 October 1838 at Elizabethton, Carter County, Tennessee, son of John Alexander and Delilah Woods. He was educated circa 1854 at Duffield Academy, Elizabethton, Carter County, Tennessee, and later at Emory & Henry College, Washington County, Virginia. He married Mary Catherine Keebler, daughter of Benjamin Franklin Keebler and Elizabeth Range Wright, on 24 December 1861 at Elizabethton, Carter County, Tennessee. Between 20 March 1865 and 1925 Rev. Frank Alexander and John Alexander were proprietors in a men's clothing store. This store remained in the family until 1967. Between 1885 and 1910 Rev. Frank Alexander was a Methodist minister in the Holston Conference, covering parts of Virginia and Tennessee; during this period he had posts at Union, Floyd County,Virginia (1885); Lebanon, Russell County, Virginia (1885-1887); West Jasper, Marion County, Virginia (1887-1888); Dunlap, Sequatchie County, Tennessee (1888-1890); Pikeville, Bledsoe County, Tennessee (1890-1898); Castlewood, Russell County, Virginia (1898-1900); and Blountville, Sullivan County, Tennessee (1906-1907). After 1907 Rev. Frank Alexander lived at Indian Springs, Tennessee. A letter to his children from Indian Springs, dated 8 December 1915, describes events connected with the death of his wife. He died on 13 November 1925 at Rose Lawn, Mt. Jackson, Shenandoah County, Virginia, at age 87 while visiting at the home of his daughter, Carrie Alexander Barns. He was buried at Round Hill Cemetery, Marion, Smyth County, Virginia.

A. Samuel Lee Alexander was born on 17 December 1862 at Elizabethton, Carter County, Tennessee. He died on 29 November 1932 at age 69. He was buried at Round Hill Cemetery, Marion, Smyth County, Virginia.

B. Lula Elizabeth Alexander was born on 13 March 1865 at Elizabethton, Carter County, Tennessee. She married Robert Moore Baldwin on 22 July 1885 at Union, Smyth County, Virginia. She and Robert Moore Baldwin had six children. She died on 18 October 1954 at Richmond, Virginia, at age 89.

1. Louise Kyle Baldwin was born on 1 October 1893. She married Rev. Joseph MacNaughton Waterman on 6 July 1918 at Richmond, Virginia. She died on 11 December 1987 at Alexandria, Virginia, at age 94.

C. John Wright Alexander was born on 10 October 1867 at Johnson City, Washington County, Tennessee. He died on 4 January 1891 at Belfast Mills, Russell County, Virginia, at age 23. He was buried at Round Hill Cemetery, Marion, Smyth County, Virginia.

D. Annie Eliza Alexander was born on 10 January 1870 at Marion, Smyth County, Virginia. She married John Keys Fugate on 8 December 1896 at Dickensonville, Virginia. She died on 11 April 1936 at Kingsport, Tennessee, at age 66. She was buried at Bristol, Tennessee.

1. Joseph Alexander Fugate was born on 11 December 1900.

2. Mary Virginia Fugate was born on 10 May 1903.

3. Elizabeth Keys Fugate was born on 13 May 1906 at Castlewood, Russell County, Virginia. She married Rev. Thomas L. Williams after 1921.

a) (--?--) Williams was adopted after 1921.

b) (--?--) Williams was adopted after 1921.

E. William Franklin Alexander was also called "Willie." He was born on 6 November 1871.

F. Carrie Tipton Alexander was born on 11 March 1874.

G. Mary Virginia Alexander was born on 13 May 1876. She married Rev. Thomas Jefferson Houts on 11 September 1912 at New Blountville, Tennessee. She died on 12 November 1958 at Knoxville, Tennessee, at age 82. She was buried at Round Hill Cemetery, Marion, Smyth County, Virginia.

H. Frank Alexander was born on 30 August 1882. He died on 19 February 1956 at age 73. He was buried at Round Hill Cemetery, Marion, Smyth County, Virginia.

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