

# *Our Family History*

Sometime during the year 1843, a woman named Violet had a son; she named him Ambrous. Ten years later, in 1853, another woman Charlotte, gave birth to a daughter; she named this little girl Fannie. We do not know of any prior bond between Charlotte and Violet; but on April 23, 1868, they came to share one; their two children wed.

Ambrous and Fannie Newell settled in Green Pond (Tuscaloosa County), Alabama and later made their home in Jefferson County, Alabama. With this union "our" story begins to take form because of the twelve children they produced.

Their first child was born, April 22, 1870. Her name was Arnittious (Arnittie). On February 3, 1889, Arnittie married Green Lee Davis. They became the parents of twelve children. Green Lee Davis died August 2, 1925, at age 57. Arnittie Davis died December 13, 1959 at age 89.

Cora was born February 17, 1872. Cora married Charlie Johnson. There were no children to this union. Charlie Johnson died August 11, 1943. Cora Newell Johnson died September 21, 1953 at age 81.

On May 2, 1873, Jesse was born. He and his first wife, Jean Harris had one Daughter. There was also a son by a previous union. Jesse took his second wife, Mollie Brown, and added one daughter to their family. Jesse Newell died February 10, 1952 at 79 years of age.

Alex was born March 2, 1874. On December 14, 1897, he married his first wife, Peral. There was one child born to this union. On December 22, 1903, Pearl died. Alex later married Katie Banks and she bore him two sons. Katie died August 6, 1955. Alex Newell died December 11, 1951 at age 71.

Loucansis was born December 20, 1879.

On August 4, 1881, Viola was born. She became Mrs. Frank Polk in 1904. Frank and Villa had eight children. Frank Polk died May 17, 1935. Viola Newell Polk died May 19, 1965 at age 83.

Laura was born August 22, 1884. To her union with Wright Stanton there were no children. Laura Newell Stanton died September 14, 1953 at 69.

Patty Savannah was born August 11, 1887. She married Claborn Jenkins on February 5, 1905. This marriage brought eight children. Claborn Jenkins died February 20, 1920. Savannah Newell Jenkins died in September of 1981 at age 95.

Julia Ann was born February 16, 1890. Married three times, Julia had no children. Julia Ann Newell died February 19, 1945 at age 55.

Thessalonia and twin brother were born April 13, 1893 (her twin died soon after birth). Thessalonia married Alex Williams on October 18, 1909. Thessalonia Newell Williams died December 17, 1930, at 37 years of age.

There was also one stillbirth to the union of Fannie and Ambrous Newell.

Ambrous Newell died on July 22, 1920 at age 77 followed just nineteen days later by Fannie on August 10, at 67 years of age.

Today, we thank God that our family continues to grow.  
We are thankful for 59 years of celebrating the Newell Bond!