

Sarah Frances (Maynard) Watson

Sarah Frances Maynard was born November 11, 1865 and died on November 30, 1924 in Dekalb County, Tennessee. She was the daughter of Ezekiel Maynard (1843-1907) and Mahala Angeline Burton (1844-1882), both Tennesseans.

On November 27, 1881 she married John Coleman Watson, a man much older than she. He was born April 2, 1838 in Overton County, Tennessee and died June 29, 1920. He was the son of pioneers Thomas Townsend Watson (1805-?) and Sabra Jane Bennett (1816-?), both from Chatham, Pittsylvania County, Virginia.

He was 28 years older than Frances when he married her, and had already raised two families. He had first married Nancy Johnson about 1862. They had four children. He then married Almira Nancy Miller about 1873 and had three more children with her.

He then married Sarah Frances and they had only one daughter, Nancy Bell Watson.

When Frances died in 1924 she was interred at Mollie Steele cemetery and later disinterred and relocated at Mt Holly. Her brother, W L Maynard was present at her disinterment. Her death certificate states she was buried in Watson Cemetery.