



Henry Clay Starnes

Henry Clay Starnes was born March 19, 1871 and died May 6, 1911. He was a son of Jeremiah Moreland Starnes (1844-1916) and Mary Ann Stokes (1846-1904).

On March 20, 1897 he married Leah Victoria "Tory" Dunham. She was born about July, 1876 in Dekalb County, Tennessee. She was a daughter of Alexander K Dunham (about 1826-1879) and Louisa C Winchester (1836-?). "Tory" died May 3, 1931 in Dekalb County, Tennessee.

"Tora" is listed in the 1900 census of DeKalb County as having given birth to 2 children and both living, but they had only been married 3 years, and the two children were not listed in the household. Likely the census was in error, and that both children had died as infants between 1897 and 1900. In the 1910 DeKalb County census her name is spelled "Cora Starns", and wife of Henry C. Starns, and the two children are listed as dead.

On June 9, 1912 "Tory Starnes" married Horace Lee Winnard in DeKalb County. She was still living in his household in 1930 as "Victora Winnard". "Mrs Lee Winard" died May 3, 1931 in DeKalb County, TN with father listed as "Alic Dunham" and mother unknown. Buried in "Starnes Cemetery". Lee Winnard of Smithville survived her and was the informant for the death certificate.

Henry Clay and Tory were buried in T A Starnes cemetery and later relocated to Mt Holly cemetery. There was no one listed as being present at their disinterment.