



Martha Frances Arnold

Martha Frances was born November 30, 1872 and died January 10, 1955. Her parents were Isaac Houston Mahaffey (abt. 1839-?) and Margaret Emaline Pack (1843-1926). Mrs George Caldwell (Martha's daughter Lizzie Arnold) was the informant for her death certificate.

She married John B Arnold in about 1904. No marriage record found- date from the 1910 DeKalb Co., TN census. The 1910 DeKalb Co., TN census shows that both John B. Arnold and Martha had been married once before, and that their present marriage occurred in about 1904 (6 years). John had several children by his first wife, Lucy A. Dollar, which were still living with him and his second wife, Martha, in the 1910 census.

Martha's first husband was James Neal Brazier, Sr., as told on the DeKalb Co., TN death certificate of their son, James Neal Brazier, Jr (Feb. 16, 1903-Aug. 8, 1950), who also appears on the 1910 census in the household of his mother and John B. Arnold as "J N Braisher" and as "stepson". No marriage record for Martha to James Brazier has been found either. There is also a brass marker with no dates for "Jim Brazier", Martha's husband, in this Mount Holly Cemetery. His parents have not been determined. The 1910 census states that Martha had 5 children born and 4 living. One was James Neal Brazier Jr, son of James Neal Brazier, Sr. A second one still living was Jessie L. Arnold, the son of John B. Arnold. There were seemingly 3 more children born before 1910, and which of Martha's two husbands is the father is unknown.

John B. Arnold was born in October 4, 1858 in Dekalb County, Tennessee and died July 15, 1937 and was buried somewhere in "Smithville". He was 16 years older than Martha. John was the son of James S Arnold of South Carolina (1816/1818-1893) and Susan Anna Weaver (1823/1825-1890) of Alabama.

Her children with John B. Arnold: Jessie L. (1906), Arden (1910), Lizzie (1913), and Ruby (1915). "Martha Frances Arnold" was listed as buried at Mount Holly Cemetery on her death certificate.