



Mary (Van Hooser) & Columbus Pack

Mary H. Vanhooser was born January 28, 1882 in DeKalb Co., TN and died August 14, 1976 in DeKalb Co., TN. She was the daughter of William Carroll Vanhooser (April 24, 1860 DeKalb Co. TN - March 14, 1920 DeKalb Co. TN) and Louisiana Atnip (November 21, 1862-February 22 1887). Both parents born and died in DeKalb Co., TN.

She married Jason Columbus Pack on August 17, 1902 in DeKalb Co., TN. He was born July 4, 1877 in DeKalb Co., TN and died September 29, 1908 in DeKalb Co., TN. He was living with his brother Jack [Nathaniel J.] Pack (b. 1870) in the 1900 DeKalb Co., TN census. He was the son of Bartemus Hayes Pack (1845-1919) and Melvina Mullican [nee Stewart] (1846-1913). After the death of Columbus Pack, his widow was still living next to her parents.

Their children were: Anderson Jackson (b. July 26, 1903 DeKalb Co., TN) [Andrew on 1910 census seems error], Haskell (1906), and Hobert (1908). The birth certificate of Anderson Jackson Pack states his parents were Jason C. Pack and Mary VanHooser. That gives the first name for Columbus and matches Jason C as son of Bartemus Hayes Pack. The same birth certificate lists Lee Pack as uncle of Anderson, meaning John Lee Pack, son of Bartemus Hayes Pack was brother of Jason Columbus Pack. These sons of Bartemus Pack were using their middle names as given names a lot, and it gets confusing tracing them.

Topping all that, there is a delayed birth certificate that was issued for "J C Pack" born "July 4, 1877", same birth date as on the grave marker, but the certificate was issued in 1944, 36 years after his death. On that birth certificate it states that his father was B. H. Pack and mother was Melvina Stewart, meaning apparently, when compared to her marriage record to B. H. Pack, that his mother had been married before to a Mullican, but was born a Stewart. A family Bible was used as proof of J C's parents. This birth certificate was possibly needed by his wife Mary to apply for Social Security, since she did receive Social Security and is on the SSDI, living until 1976 in DeKalb Co., TN.

The death certificate for Jason Columbus Pack gives his name as J. C. Pack, died in DeKalb Co., TN on the same date as on the stone, age 31, married, farmer. Died of Typhoid Fever.

Columbus Pack was buried in Heirs of Martha Pack Cemetery and relocated at Mt Holly Cemetery.