



**William Riley Cryer: Born: 10/16/1862; St. Landry, Parish., La**  
**“Willie” Died: 10/14/1944; Good Hope Community**  
**Vernon, Parish, La.**

**Father: William Honor Cryer (1824 – 1907)**  
**Mother: Margaret Ann Williams (1830 – After 1910)**

**Missouri Elizabeth Whitley: Born: 01/16/1866 Texas (Unknown)**  
**“Lizzy” Died: 10/26/1947 Good Hope Community**  
**Vernon, Parish, La.**

**Father: Christopher Columbus Whitley, Sr. (1831 – 1913)**  
**Mother: Malissie Caroline Patterson (1848 – 1882)**

**Found living in Ward 4, Vernon Ph, LA in area that became Fort Polk for the 1900, 1910, 1920, 1930 Federal Census records. 1940 not released yet.**

<b>Children:</b>	<b>Born</b>	<b>Died</b>	<b>Married:</b>
1. William Cornelous	08/08/1884	12/16/1884	Died as infant
2. Laura Ann	03/24/1886	12/23/1972	Westley Walker
3. John Columbus	12/24/1887	05/15/1922	Mae Augusta Jean
4. Albert Jefferson	08/07/1889	07/22/1980	Lula Gertrude Willis
5. Mary Ella	02/04/1891	01/15/1973	John F. Craft
6. Margaret Caroline	04/05/1893	07/15/1919	Gilbert N. Jeane
7. George Richard	12/07/1894	06/22/1994	Oda A. Davis
			Izilla Howard
8. Riley Matthew	07/10/1896	09/24/1983	Zella Calhoun
9. James Honor	09/11/1898	08/02/1899	Died as infant.

10.Martha Elizabeth	07/12/1900	01/16/1989	John Allen Young
11.Marrion Monroe, Sr.	09/28/1902	10/02/1970	Lydia E. McInnis
12.Stella	03/02/1905	10/30/1994	James Henry Walker
13.Della	05/31/1907	06/23/2003	George Robert Shaver. John Alvin Swain
14.Andrew Jackson	12/12/1908	05/12/2005	Alvis Delora Calhoun Mary Boudreaux
15.Ola Mae	08/12/1911	Living	Thomas Jefferson Self

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### Haymon/Watson Cemetery, Fort Polk #3

Row 1:

Haymon, Infant Stillborn - 20 Aug 1933 **Birth date: June 28, 1933 (unnamed)**

Haymon, Louie - 3 Mar 1935 / 10 Jun 1935 **Louis Elijah Haymon**

[above 2 burials have double stone] –

**Sons of Elijah & Etta [Cryer] Haymon; Etta Cryer is daughter of John Columbus Cryer. John Columbus Cryer is a son of William Riley Cryer (1862-1944) and Missouri Elizabeth Whitley (1864-1947).**

**John Columbus is buried at Zion Hill and William and Missouri are buried at Cooper Cemetery, Junction, Beauregard Ph, LA.**

**Etta and Elijah are both buried at Mt. Bethel Baptist Church Cemetery, Vernon Ph, LA**

**John Columbus married Mae Augusta Jeane daughter of James William Jeane and cousin Laura Cordelia Jeane, both grandchildren of James Monroe Jeane. Mae is buried at Mitchell Cemetery, Vernon Ph, LA. James and Laura are buried at Cooper Cemetery, Pickering, Vernon Ph, LA**

**William Riley Cryer is son of William Honor Cryer probably buried at Cryer Cemetery, Allen Ph, LA and Margaret Ann Williams buried at Zion Hill.**

**Missouri Elizabeth Whitley is daughter of Christopher Columbus Whitley and Malissie Caroline Patterson. C. C. and Malissie are buried at Caney Creek Cemetery, Allen Ph, LA.**

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### Zion Hill Cemetery (Ft. Polk # 5) - Vernon Parish

[center of cemetery to rear fence]

Eddleman, John M. - 1928 / 1937[almost unreadable]

Cornley, Grandma - [no dates]

Cornley, Grandpa - [no dates]

Collins, Infant - [no dates]

Jordan, Infant - [no dates]

**Collins, Infant - [no dates]**

**[above 6 burials in a row with old-style, small concrete markers]**

**Cryer, Johnnie - [no dates] [son of Levi Cryer] Born, 1883, died unknown. John H. Cryer son of Honor Levi Cryer and Mary Elizabeth Bass.**

**Cryer, Tom - [no dates] [son of Levi Cryer] Born, 1890, died unknown. Thomas L. Cryer son of Honor Levi Cryer and Mary Elizabeth Bass.**

**Cryer, ? - [no dates] Possibly an infant of Honor Levi and Mary Elizabeth.**

**[above 3 burials in a row with almost unreadable old-style, small concrete markers]**

**Honor Levi is a son of William Honor Cryer and Margaret Ann Williams and a brother to William Riley Cryer (1862-1944). Honor Levi is buried at Beulah Cemetery, Sabine Ph, LA, with his wife Mary Elizabeth Bass daughter of Moses Bass and Rachael Eaves.**

**William Honor Cryer is probably buried at Cryer Cemetery, Allen Ph, LA and Margaret Ann Williams is buried in this cemetery, Zion Hill.**

**Craft, William J. - 27 Dec 1896 / 27 Sep 1938 [son of Fred Craft] s/o John Frederick Craft and Mary Jane Hall and a brother to John F. Craft. William Craft married Blanche Cordelia Jeane a sister to Mae Augusta Jeane married to James Columbus Cryer. Blanche is buried at Cold Springs Cemetery, Vernon Ph, LA.**

**John F. Craft married Mary Ella Cryer, daughter of William Riley Cryer and Missouri Elizabeth Whitley. William Riley farmed on Whiskey Chitto and when he retired from farming, John F. and Ella bought the farm and lived there until the military take-over.**

**Craft, Infant - b&d 1937 [almost unreadable stone] [son of W. J. Craft] A stillborn infant born October 02, 1937, to William J. Craft and Blanche Cordelia Jeane.**

**Hall, Luvicy Ann [Mathis], wife of J.T. [John Tom] Hall - 16 Apr 1853 / 24 Mar 1926 Mother Daughter of Thomas Edmond Mathis and Sarah Cruz**

**Hall, John T.[Tom] - 12 Jan 1840 / 22 Sep 1925 [son of J. R. John Randolph & Caroline Hall Ann Caroline Luvicy Collins]**

**Parents of Elizabeth Levicy Hall who married Marion Monroe Whitley**

**Whitley, Marion M. - 27 Jun 1876 / 13 Dec 1937 Father Marion Monroe Whitley son of Christopher Columbus Whitley and a brother to Missouri Elizabeth Whitley married to William Riley Cryer. Marrison Monroe Cryer, son of William Riley Cryer and Missouri Elizabeth Whitley named after him. Name passed down to Marrison Monroe Cryer, Jr.**

**Whitley, Elizabeth Levicy Hall- 7 Jan 1883 / 7 Jul 1959 Mother Wife of Marion Monroe Whitley**

**[daughter of John Tom Hall & Louvicy Ann Mathis]**

**[above 2 burials have double stone]**

Whitley, James T. - 3 Sep 1899 / 12 Jan 1981 Dad **James Thomas Whitley son of Marion Monroe Whitley and Elizabeth Levicey Hall, married to Cora Malora Jeane.**

Whitley, Cora J. [Malora] - 29 May 1900 / 15 Nov 1991, 91 yrs 5 mos 16 das

Mom **Cora Malora Jeane daughter of James William Jean and Laura Cordelia Jeane**  
[above 2 burials have double stone]

Whitley, Infant son of J. T. & Cora Whitley - 28 Feb 1925 / 28 Feb 1925 **Son of James Thomas Whitley and Cora Malora Jeane**

Nash, Infant of M&M Willie Nash - b&d 2 Nov 1928 **infant of William Nash and Thelma Cryer daughter of John Columbus Cryer and Mae Augusta Jeane.**

Cryer, J. C. - 24 Dec 1887 / 15 May 1922 Father **John Columbus Cryer**

[son of William Riley Cryer & Minerva\*\* Elizabeth Whitley]

**NOTE: \*\*Minerva is incorrect. It should be Missouri.**

Pickering, William - 1929 [almost unreadable old-style concrete marker]

Pickering, Whit - [no dates, almost unreadable old-style concrete marker]

Smith, Warn - [no dates]

Jean [sic], Infant daughter of G. N. & M. C. Jean - b&d 28 Oct 1911 **Daughter of Gilbert Newton Jeane and Margaret Caroline Cryer**

Jeane, Addy (**Audie**) – **January 28, 1912 / 1918** [almost unreadable, birth date taken from 1977 cemetery reading] **Daughter of Gilbert Newton Jeane and Margaret Caroline Cryer**

Jeane, Margaret [Cryer], wife of G. N. Jeane - 5 Apr 1893 / 15 Jul 1919

Mother **Margaret Caroline Cryer married to Gilbert Newton Jeane. Margaret carries the name of her mother Margaret Ann Williams.**

[daughter of William Riley Cryer & Missouri\*\* Elizabeth Whitley]

Jeane, Gilbert N. - 9 Jun 1886 / 24 May 1972 **<Gilbert Newton Jeane son of Henry Pamplin Jeane and Mary E. Smith, married to Margaret Caroline Cryer**

[above 7 burials in a row]

Whitley, Woodie Sheldon, son of M.M.& L.E. Whitley - 2 Dec 1911 / 15 Aug 1912

Whitley, Infant son of M. M. & L. E. Whitley - 10 Nov 1905 / 10 Nov 1905

Whitley, Infant son of M. M. & L. E. Whitley - 7 Dec 1903 / 7 Dec 1903

Whitley, Infant daughter of M. M. & L. E. Whitley - 10 Aug 1901 / 10 Aug 1901

**All four of the above burials are children of Marion Monroe Whitley and Elizabeth Levicey Hall**

Cryer, James Honor - 11 Sep 1898 / 22 Aug 1899 **Son of William Riley Cryer and Missouri Elizabeth Whitley.**

[above 5 burials have identical stones in a row, all have "Baby" on the marker]

Cryer, Ann - [no dates] [mother of William Riley Cryer] **May 1830-after 1910 Margaret Ann Williams wife of William Honor Cryer.**

Hall, Infant of T. J. Hall - 17 Nov 1884 / 17 Nov 1884 **Probably an infant of John Tom Hall and Luvicy Ann Mathis**

[dates unreadable, info from previous reading]

Hall, Caroline, wife of John R. Hall - 16 Aug 1812 / 15 Jun 1903 Mother **Ann Caroline Luvicy Collins wife of John Robert Hall parents of John Tom Hall the father of John F. Craft married Mary Ella Cryer.**

Shavers, Donald - 1939 / 1940

Shavers, William - 1938 / 1938

Shavers, Infant son of H. N. Shavers - 1938 / 1938

**Son of Henry Norris Shavers, son of Frank Oliver Shavers and Mary Jane Hall, married Estell Olar Jeane, a sister to Mae Augusta Jeane. Both are buried in Hooks Cemetery, Hardin Co, Texas**

[above 3 burials have old-style concrete markers]

Delaney, Mary E. - [no dates][unreadable stone, taken from 1977 cemetery listing]

Jeane, Samuel Edward - 14 Sep 1918 / 4 Jul 1920

Wiley, Lewis A., son of A. F. & F. C. Wiley - 8 Feb 1911 / 1 Jun 1913

[2 unmarked burials with wooden posts at head & foot - no information]

Walker, Infant of Wesley Walker - 1919 / 1919 [almost unreadable]

Walker, Charlie - [no dates]

Walker, Infant of Wesley Walker - **September 17, 1921 / 1921** [almost unreadable] **Louis Jackson Walker**

[above 3 burials have old-style concrete markers]

**The above three burials are children of William Westley Walker, son of John M. and Francis Walker, and Laura Ann Cryer, daughter of William Riley Cryer and Missouri Elizabeth Whitley. William Westley is buried at Legion Memorial Cemetery, Newellton, Tensas Ph, LA, and Laura Ann is buried at Cryer Cemetery, Oakdale, Allen Ph, LA.**

Hall, P. E. - died 1939 [old funeral marker, almost unreadable]

Hall, Mary - [no dates] [Oct 1858 / aft. 1900, wife of Willis F. Hall]

Hall, Will [Willis F.] - [no dates] [Jul 1856 / aft. 1900, son of John R. & Caroline Hall]

**Willis F. Hall is a brother to John Tom Hall**

[above 2 burials have almost unreadable old-style concrete markers & 1 funeral marker in a row]

Whitley, Andrew, son of C. C. Whitley- [no dates]

Hubbart, Charley - [no dates]

Nash, Eunice - 1919 / 1919

Nash, Infant - 1919 / 1919

Haymon, Wandalene, infant daughter of Floyd & Gertie Haymon - 28 Jan 1939 / 20 May 1939

[near front fence on the right]

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## Mill Creek Cemetery, Fort Polk #4

Row 4:

Haymon, Mable Lorien - 29 Oct 1929/2 Mar 1933 [d/o Veelmore Haymon & Edith Cryer] **Daughter of Doc Veelmore Haymon, Jr. and Edith Cryer. Both are buried in Mitchell Cemetery, Vernon Ph, LA. Veelmore is a son of Hezekiah Haymon, Jr. buried in this cemetery, Mill Creek and Georgiana McKee buried in Brack Cemetery. Edith is a daughter of John Columbus Cryer, son of William Riley Cryer and Missouri Elizabeth Whitley and Mae Augusta Jeane, daughter of James William Jeane and Laura Cordelia Jeane both buried in the Cooper Cemetery, Pickering, Vernon Ph, LA.**

[unmarked burial - no information]

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## Davis Cemetery Vernon Parish Louisiana, Fort Polk #6

Cryer, Oda A. Davis - b Jan 31, 1900 / d May 04, 1937 (w/o George Cryer, d/o William Jefferson Davis & Adeline Jane Self, grand daughter of William Gordon Davis, father of William Jefferson Davis)

**George Richard Cryer is a son of William Riley Cryer and Missouri Elizabeth Whitley who farmed north of his father in the Zion Hill area. He is buried at Flatwoods Cemetery, Rapides Ph, LA.**

Cryer, William A. - b 1926 / d 1928 (s/o George & Oda A. Davis Cryer) **Son of George Richard Cryer and Oda A. Davis. George Richard was named after William Riley's oldest brother, George Richard Cryer born 1849.**

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## Holly Springs (Ft. Polk #12) - Vernon Parish

Row 3:

Swain, John Alvin - 29 Mar 1895 / 7 Dec 1950 [son of Dick Swain & Eliza Young] **2<sup>nd</sup> husband of Della Cryer, daughter of William Riley Cryer and Missouri Elizabeth Whitley. Della Cryer buried at Good Hope Cemetery, Anacoco, Vernon Ph, LA.**