

I am Susan, James's great granddaughter, and I'm very excited to have found information on his life. These are just notes and are not intended to be prose:

James J. Goodpasture.

Born 1861 son of Thomas and Adlade (Smith) Goodpasture. Adlade was 14 years old at the time of the birth; Thomas was 25. At the 1860 Federal Census, they were living with Adlade's parents, James G. and Cynthia Smith, in Livingston, Overton, Tennessee where James was born a year later; and was raised to adulthood. At that time, Adlade's sisters also lived in the house (Mary, Emily, and Ida).

As of the 1880 Census, James (then 19) and his mother Adlade (now widowed) were still living with James G. who was now also widowed. All of Adlade's sisters were also still living in the house. Both James and his grandfather were listed as Saddlers by profession.

In 1884 James married Florence E. Phillips in Bedford County, TN. There they had two children, Maurice Elmer (1886) and Mary Adelaide (1888), after which James traveled alone to Kansas searching for better opportunity. He returned to Tennessee to retrieve his family for the move to Columbus, KS, where James and Florence had 4 more children: Wright Irl (1890), Hugh Shofner (1893), Lola Ethel (1896), and Lucile (1898).

Family stories about James:

He told his grandchildren that he had done just about anything to earn a living for his family. While he started as a Saddler with his grandfather as a single man, then dabbled in carpentry, blacksmithing, and was even an undertaker.

His granddaughter (my mother) Florence remembers him as being very quiet, with a big, bushy mustache; and remembered her aunts and uncles as very lovely people:

- Mary Adelaide was her mother, who was very gentle and well trained in music and voice;
- Maurice Elmer married but never had children;
- Wright Irl was always joking and very funny;
- Lola was a very sweet and loving person;
- Lucile was extremely beautiful, but for some reason her hair was completely white as a teenager.

James, according to the 1930 Census, ended up living with his daughter Lola (Goodpasture) Kornegay and her husband, and another member of her husband's family, in Colorado, where he passed away sometime in the 1930's.