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CHANDLER

Josiah Chendler born January 17, 1808

Eliz Brownen born August 4, 1812

Henry Chandler born May 10, 1830

Sophronia Chandler born January 5, 1832

John T. Chandler born October 27, 1833

Mary E. Chendler born October 27, 1835

Frances E. Chandler born July 13, 1838

Sarah J. Chandler born April 9, 1841

Josiah J. Chandler born May 15, 1843

King Sol. Chandler born August 30, 1845

Jas. Robt. Chandler born March 25, 1848

Sandford V. Chandler born December 22, 1850

Thomas R. Chandler born June 13, 1853

George F. Chandler born June 13, 1855

Sol. S. Chapmen born August 23, 1861 (He is not a child of the Josiah above).

Josiah Chandler, Jr. died February 25, 1863

Francis Emmeline Chandler died November 19, 1879

Josiah Chandler, Sr. died October 20, 1891

Eliz Bownen Chandler died February 4, 1888 (correction--BROWNEN)

S. A. Halliday died July 22, 1886

E. R. Woodson died April 13, 1896

Chas. Woodson died August 21, 1888

Moses Chandler died December 26, 1908

Sophonis Chandler married Hampton Halliday September 27, 1866

Dr. Decatur Halliday born August 6, 1867

Robt. Seymore Halliday born May 20, 1869

Francis Leurany Halliday born October 21, 1870

Josephus Woodson born November 11, 1886

Chas. Woodson born July 8, 1888

Etta Woodson born June 16, 1889

Dendy Woodson born February 23, 1891

Luceal Woodson born September 4, 1893

Mary Caddie Woodson born March 4, 1896

Grady Chandler born January 5, 1903

K. (?) S. Chandler and Nancy E. Chandler married October 22, 1866

E. R. Woodson and Rene Chandler married October 8, 1885

K. S. Chandler born August 30, 1845

Nancy E. Chandler born February 14, 1847

Reiner A. Chandler born October 1, 1867

Seller T. Chandler born July 22, 1870

Josiah W. Chandler born October 4, 1872

James R. Chandler born June 23, 1875

Wm. E. Chandler born March 8, 1878

Geo. Moses Chandler born June 23, 1880

Ed. L. Chandler born September 26, September 1885

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(date formats are standardized, corrections are highlighted in yellow)

Bible Listing

Relation to Josiah b. 1808

Josiah Chandler born 17 Jan 1808	Josiah Himself
Eliz Browning born 4 Aug 1812	Josiah's wife
Henry Chandler born 10 May 1830	Josiah's child
Sophronia Chandler born 5 Jan 1832	Josiah's child
John T. Chandler born 27 Oct 1833	Josiah's child
Mary E. Chandler born 27 Oct 1835	Josiah's child
Frances E. Chandler born 13 July 1838	Josiah's child
Sarah J. Chandler born 9 Apr 1841	Josiah's child
Josiah J. Chandler born 15 May 1843	Josiah's child
King Sol. Chandler born 30 Aug 1845	Josiah's child
Chandler born 14 Feb 1847	Josiah's child
Jas. Robt. Chandler born 25 Mar 1848	Josiah's child
Sandford V. Chandler born 22 Dec 1850	Josiah's child
Thomas R. Chandler born 13 June 1853	Josiah's child
George F. Chandler born 13 June 1855	Josiah's child
Sol. S. Chapman born 23 August 1861	Josiah's grandchild thru unknown
Josiah Chandler, Jr died 25 Feb 1863	Josiah's child
Frances Emeline Chandler died 19 Nov 1879	Josiah's child
Josiah Chandler, Sr. died 20 Oct 1880	Josiah Himself
Eliz Bownen Chandler died 4 Feb 1888	Josiah's wife
S. A. Halliday died 22 July 1886	Josiah's child
E. R. Woodson died 13 Apr 1896	Josiah's son-in-law thru Rena
Chas. Woodson died 21 or 28 Aug 1888	Josiah's grandchild thru Rena
Moses Chandler died 26 Dec 1908	Josiah's grandchild thru King
Sophronia Chandler married Hampton Halliday 27 Sep 1866	Josiah's child Josiah's son-in-law
Dr. Decatur Halliday born 6 Aug 1867	Josiah's grandchild thru Saphronia
Robt. Seymore Halliday born 20 May 1869	Josiah's grandchild thru Saphronia
Frances Leurany Halliday born 21 Oct 1870	Josiah's grandchild thru Saphronia

Bible Listing

Relation to Josiah b. 1808

Josephine 'Josie' Woodson born 11 Nov 1886
Chas. Woodson born 8 July 1888
Etta Woodson born 16 June 1889
Dendy Woodson born 23 Feb 1891
Luceal Woodson born 4 Sep 1893
Mary Caddie Woodson born 4 Mar 1896

Josiah's grandchild thru Rena
Josiah's grandchild thru Rena

Grady Chandler born January 5, 1903

Josiah's grtgrdchild King> James

K. S. Chandler and
Nancy E. King married 22 Oct 1866

Josiah's child
Josiah's daughter-in-law

E. R. Woodson and
Rena Chandler married 8 Oct 1885

Josiah's grandson-in-law
Josiah's grandchild thru King

K. S. Chandler born August 30, 1845
Nancy E. King born February 14, 1847
Rena A. Chandler born 1 Oct 1867
Seller T. Chandler born 22 July 1870
Josiah W. Chandler born 4 Oct 1872
James R. Chandler born 23 June 1875
Wm. E. Chandler born 8 Mar 1878
Geo. Moses Chandler born 23 June 1880
Ed. L. Chandler born 26 Sep 1885

Josiah's child
Josiah's daughter-in-law
Josiah's grandchild thru King
Josiah's grandchild thru King

S. A. Halliday d. 22 July 1886
Moses Chandler d. 26 Dec 1908
E. R. Woodson d. 13 Apr 1896

Josiah's child
Josiah's grandchild thru King
Josiah's son-in-law

Background Information for the Bible of Josiah Chandler 1808-1881

Original Research

It seems that this Bible was owned by Mrs. Sam Taylor of Greenville, South Carolina when it was initially transcribed in the Greenville Court House by Mrs. Memory A. Lester. This work was eventually published in at least two separate works: Bible Records of the Southern States, Volume 1, in 1956, and Old Southern Bible Records in 1974 both of which were compiled by Memory Aldridge Lester.

The information is basically the same in both works by Mrs. Lester but the arrangement, punctuation, and use of abbreviations is different in each of them. The surname Bownen, or Brownen as listed in the original transcription became standardized as Browning.

Oral Family History

Josiah Chandler 1808-1880. His death year of 1880 is listed on his headstone, while 1881 is listed in the published transcription. He was in a polyamorous relationship with three Browning women who lived on adjoining properties at the time of the 1850 US Census. He was married to Elizabeth Browning, and in relationships with Mary and Delila Browning as well. The actual relationships of these women in the Browning family is uncertain as to whether they were sisters, or cousins, or some combination of these.

By the 1860 US Census Mary had moved a short distance away. Her eight known children with Josiah Chandler were born between 1834-1856.

Delila Browning had four known children with Josiah between 1830-1845.

Josiah's legal wife Elizabeth (aka – Sarah Elizabeth Browning) had thirteen known children with him between 1830-1855.

Josiah's children with Mary and Delila carry their mother's surname – Browning.

One of Mary's descendants through the Andrew Jackson Browning line has Y-DNA tested into Josiah Chandler's male line – CFA Group 7A.

A tentative listing of Josiah's children with estimated birth dates is given below.

Josiah and Mary had the following:

- i. Thomas Vester Browning 1834
- ii. Andrew Jackson Browning 1835
- iii. George Washington Browning 1837
- iv. Elizabeth Browning 1838
- v. Marzella Cathrine Browning 1843
- vi. Amanda M. Browning 1847
- vii. Spicy Luvina Browning 1850
- viii. Emma Louisa Browning 1856

Josiah and Delila had the following:

- i. William Browning 1830
- ii. Nancy Browning 1834
- iii. Lucinda Browning 1844
- iv. Mary Browning 1845

Josiah and Elizabeth had the following

- i. William Henry Chandler 1830
- ii. Sophronia Ann Chandler 1832
- iii. John Franklin Chandler 1833
- iv. Mary Elizabeth (Polly) Chandler 1835
- v. Frances Emmeline (Sally) Chandler 1838
- vi. Sarah Jane Chandler 1841
- vii. Josiah Chandler Jr 1843
- viii. King Solomon Chandler 1845
- ix. Infant Chandler 1847
- x. James Robert Chandler 1848
- xi. Sanford Vandiver Chandler 1850
- xii. Thomas Rowlan Chandler 1853
- xiii. George Taylor Chandler 1855