

Jasper and Andy Reed were industrious to a fault; Jasper died at 69. Rebecca (Becky) Reed survived Jasper by 34 years, never wearing anything except black after his death. She said she would have "lived in a hollow stump with Jasper." Seasonally Rebecca aired Jasper's Confederate uniform; the uniform may have been destroyed when their old home burned many years after Becky's death in 1947. The unpainted, clapboard, dog-trot central hall house had few rooms; it had twin field-stone plastered chimneys and front and side rear porches. Birthday celebrations for Becky Reed drew many relatives as she grew into her nineties; improvised buffet tables were set up outside. There was no electricity nor running water; no window screens nor icebox — a near-by spring cooled milk and butter. Clothes were washed in a nearby branch. In 1943, Mammy Reed, in her nineties, attended her first movie. Afterward she pondered where the (actors) would stay the night. Reminded she had seen a photograph, she wished she had been able to touch it. Entering the rolling store that passed her home, she needed underwear: not recalling the "new" term "step-ins," she asked "jump-ins." Born in 1844, she thought World War II was the most terrible of all wars she had known.

Jacob (c1847 -) was found among the enrollment, with his father Joseph, ages 17 and 47, for the Murray County Home Guards in 1863. Nothing more is known of Jacob.

Mary Adaline (1848-1896) married Solomon Beck, Murray County, GA. Beck had a deceased wife and several children; he and brothers Samuel and Gideon Beck pioneered in Rabun County, GA, by 1822; in 1824 Solomon Beck sold 67 acres to the county to establish the county seat. The Beck family figured prominently in the political and civic life of Rabun County for several generations and provided leadership in the Seminole Indian War 1835. Murray County GA. Becks held public office and provided leadership in the Civil War. The family removed to Knickerbocker, Tom Green County, TX, where they died and are buried. Mary Adaline and Solomon had several children: J.E.; J. W. (Jim); Jasper; Mary Docia; Edward; Ona; Minnie; Virgil; and Ida.

Louisa/Lurana/Susan (c1851) called Louise, I think, when she married 1869 Murray County GA, Stephen P. Williams.

Phebe Ann (c1855-1934) married John Richard Beck, the son of Solomon Beck and his first wife Jane Ann; Mary Adaline Reed was his step-mother. Their children born Macon, Baldwin Co, GA, were: William Henry; Thomas; Newton Harley; Mary Jane; and Roxie Ann. They removed to Wylie, Kaufman Co TX, and later Edinburg, Hidalgo, TX, where they lived and died.

Cynthia Elizabeth (c1857 -) married Murray County, GA, Alford B. Ridley.

Joseph Reed and Elvira had living at home in 1870 Phebe Ann and Elizabeth (Cynthia); in 1880 Joseph had Rhesan (Susann?), 18, and Plebian (Phebe Ann) 17, with him. Elvira died between the 1870 and 1880 censuses. Phebe married 1882; Cynthia had married in 1875.

Descendants of Joseph Reed and Elvira live in Murray County today. Children of William Jasper's son Lofton continued a sawmill enterprise and younger descendants have been involved in public office.

The writer is descended from Joseph; Jasper; Johnnie Reed Anderson; Mary Ann Anderson. She has two children: Karyn Susan Warmack Roof and Melissa Ann Warmack Howard, who live in metropolitan Atlanta, GA, and a granddaughter Kelsey Ann Roof (born 1994).

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neighbor, 80 acres of LL 311 27-2, \$120. By 1874 Joseph purchased LL 41, 8-3, \$250, owned at his death in 1882, when it was sold to E. S. Howell for \$205. The land was valued at \$350 in 1880 and \$400 in 1882. (In 1870 Joseph's oldest daughter, Martha Jane Reed Robinson and husband Nathan had living with them John 13, Otho/Otha 11, and Thomas Curd 9. Benjamin Curd died from wounds in the Civil War; these may have been his children. Joseph Reed died intestate 1882; his estate was sued by A. A. Curd (shown also as Arthur Ann) and heirs, who received \$40, with court costs paid by the estate).

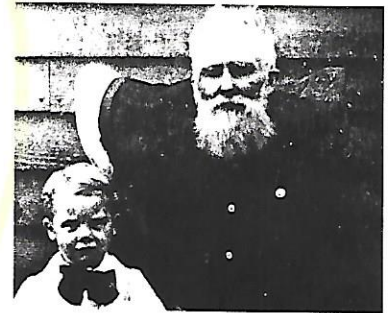
The 1860 census in Murray County GA indicates Joseph was born in Tennessee, his father in Virginia.



Husband Andrew Jackson Reed (Andy) & Dorcus Elizabeth Springfield

First child and son Andrew Jackson (Andy) (1850-1896) married Murray Co Ga Dorcus Elizabeth Springfield. Pvt. Andy served in the Confederate Infantry, Army of Northern Virginia for the duration of the war. After the war, Andy removed to Moody, McLennan County, TX, where he died and is buried with other members of his family. His children were: Joe; Alice; Joseph Aaron (Bud); William Jasper; Robert L.; Hattie B.; Magnolia (Sug); Jimmie; Cora; Ora; Lizzie; Ada; Fred; Jessie C. (female). Members of the Magnolia Reed family returned to Georgia.

Martha Jane (c1841-) married Nathan Robinson, Murray Co Georgia.



William Jasper (Jap) Reed and Namesake Jasper Parker ("J.P.") Anderson c1908

William Jasper (Jap) (1844-1913) married Murray Co Ga Rebecca Melinda Wilbanks, daughter of William Jackson (Jack) Wilbanks and Dorcus Rollins, after his infantry service in the Army of Northern Virginia CSA. He was wounded at Bean Station, TN; and like his brother, Andy, survived Gettysburg. Jasper lived on the old Federal Road, Ramhurst, Murray County. His children were: Elizabeth (Lizzie) m. William Campbell; William A. m. Mary Morrison; Laura Jane m. 1) Jesse Morrison, 2) Charles Jackson; Gertrude Dickie (Gert) m. Davis Sitton; Jonnie Olivia m. Thomas Parker Anderson; Jasper Caswell (Cas) m. Cora Ballew; Henry Lofton m. Ida Burger; Annie Mae m. Will D. Smith; and Mary Sibley (Sib-Sible) never married.

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Joseph Reed and his wife, both 20-30 years of age, with a male under five, were settled in Polk County by 1840. Their neighbors were Moore, Burns, Goins, Jackson, Sloan, Jones, Hendrickson, Norris and Horn. Still in Polk County in 1850, Joseph and Elvira Reed were 35 and 32 years, with children Andrew, Jane, William J., Jacob, Adaline, and Lurana (Louisa? Susana?); John Perkins, 52, born NC, was living with them.

The family moved to Murray County, GA, about 1852, where Phebe Ann and Cynthia were born. Joseph purchased in 1856 from Benjamin Curd, his former 1850 Tennessee