

This sheet (front and back) was kindly shared with me by Olive Smiley Massie in 1998, along with several of her Mobley family records and pictures. The Mobleys were descendants of Mabra Madden Jones and his 2nd wife, Martha Ponton.

The scanned page of Biographical Data of M.M. Jones, indicates it is page 189. From her worksheet that was generated in Sept 1980, she lists as a source, Elmer Spradley & Judge Paul Boethel book: "On the Headwaters of the Lavaca & Navadid." I assume that the scanned page 189 is from that book.

Regarding the worksheet, besides the above mentioned book, she also referenced the 1901 newspaper article regarding the family reunion, which has been included in this file. Then she also lists relatives who were sharing info to compile the worksheet. These people are also included in this file and are linked to this pdf file.

- "cousin Nell (Nell Ada Wooten 1905-1989) Donaldson of Fairfield TX 1978"
- "Grand-daughters: Artie (Artie Bell Mobley) Smiley,
- Sadie (Sadie Lee Mobley 1902-1998) Stewart,
- Ruth (Ruth Ellen Mobley 1903-1996) Miller"
- "cousin Cleo Todd Longmire (1906-1987) of San Saba."

Of particular interest of this collaborative work, they are showing parents of Sarah Lovelady, Mabra Jones' 1st wife, to be James Lovelady and Nancy "Lineville."

Doing my own research 1997-current (2017) I have been unable to prove Nancy's maiden name, there the fact that she and her husband had a land deal with a Catherine Linville and her husband selling land to a known brother of Catherine, it is surmised that Nancy must have been a sister to Catherine and the brother. So, seeing this early research of ladies born at a time that they could have had first-hand knowledge, it helps solidify the credibility to that claim.

~ Sherry Sharp

Biographical Data of M.M. Jones

The census records tell us that Mabry Madden Jones was born in Kentucky in 1820. We do not know where in Kentucky or who his parents were. The next count we know of him, is in Missouri as a young man age 20 and marrying Miss Sarah Lovelady, daughter of Elder James Lovelady.

We have been unable to determine if he was in Missouri with his parents or as a young man seeking his fortune. We believe he was in school in Missouri, perhaps he studied for the ministry as later in life, we know he was a minister of the Gospel---First Christian.

He and Sarah Lovelady were married in 1840 and four years later they moved to Texas, first stoping in Cass Co. for three years before going on to Victoria where he did blacksmithing. He gained enough captiol to invest in ranch cattle. He ranched in Golied and Dewitt Counties until his wife, Sarah died in 1860.

In 1863 Mabry Madden married Martha Ponton, daughter of Dr. Joel and Rhoda (Delaney James) Ponton who lived in Lavaca Co. In fact I believe that the father of his first wife performed the ceremony. (see the marriage record that is signed by James Lovelady).

Mabry Madden Jones served as county judge of Gonzales for several years. He performed many marriages including that of his father-in-law Dr. Joel Ponton to Mrs. Harriett Koonse who was his fifth and last wife.

Most of the decendents by M.M.'s first wife located in the Waco, Palestine, and Beaumont areas. He and Martha retired to live just south of Palestine where he died in 1902 and is buried in the East Hill Cemetery in Palestine. His wife, Martha lived for twenty more years and died in 1929. She is also buried at the same place. (see pictures of their toomb-stones)

FAMILY GROUP NO. 30

Husband's Full Name

MABRY MADDEN JONES

This Information Obtained From:

Info. taken from a	Birth	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. info. on Husband
1. copy of 1901 family reunion report	1820						Ky.	
2. cousin Nell Donald son of Fairfield, Ex. 1978	1840	(1)			Palestine	Anderson	Missouri Texas	

3. Grand-daughters:

Occupation	Church Affiliation	Military Rec.
Antie Smiley	farmer, blacksmith	
Sadie Stewart	minister of the gospel	
Ruth Miller	smith	

4. cousin: Cleo Todd

Wife's Name	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. info. on Wife
Longmine of San Saba	ca. 1820						
Elmer Spradley & Judge Paul Boethel's book: "ON THE HEAD-WATERS OF THE LAVACA & NAVADID"	1860				Dewitt Co.	Texas	

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Wife's Name	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. info. on Wife
Elmer Spradley & Judge Paul Boethel's book: "ON THE HEAD-WATERS OF THE LAVACA & NAVADID"	1860				Dewitt Co.	Texas	

6. Elmer Spradley & Judge Paul Boethel's book: "ON THE HEAD-WATERS OF THE LAVACA & NAVADID"

Children's Name in Full	Sex	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. info. on Children
Dr. George W.	M	1847					Mo.	
Full Name of Spouse* F. E.					Stevenville		Tx	

7. Cyrus Y.

Children's Name in Full	Sex	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. info. on Children
Cyrus Y.	M				Beaumont		Tx.	
Full Name of Spouse* Wooton								

8. Stephen L

Children's Name in Full	Sex	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. info. on Children
Stephen L	M				Waco			
Full Name of Spouse*								

9. Andrew P.

Children's Name in Full	Sex	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. info. on Children
Andrew P.	M				Beaumont			
Full Name of Spouse*								

10. Sue M.

Children's Name in Full	Sex	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. info. on Children
Sue M.	F.				Waco			
Full Name of Spouse* Linthicum								

11. Mary M.

Children's Name in Full	Sex	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. info. on Children
Mary M.	F				Waco			
Full Name of Spouse* Moore								

12. Henry M.

Children's Name in Full	Sex	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. info. on Children
Henry M.	M	1860						
Full Name of Spouse*								
					18 May 1925	Palestine	Anderson Tx.	

13. (Empty)

Children's Name in Full	Sex	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. info. on Children
Full Name of Spouse*								

14. (Empty)

Children's Name in Full	Sex	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. info. on Children
Full Name of Spouse*								

15. (Empty)

Children's Name in Full	Sex	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. info. on Children
Full Name of Spouse*								

*If married more than once No. each mar. (1) (2) etc. and list in "Add. info. on children" column. Use reverse side for additional children, other notes, references or information.

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