

for family file

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Betty & Janelle,

Thank you for the correspondence you sent to me. This e-mail will give both of you my e-mail address. It sounds like all three of us are trying to connect some of the same dots. I noticed that Betty said that she and Ruby Argo tried to find the Goodman Cemetery. I was there this past fall and found the cemetery. Here is a note I made:

On 21 Nov 2005 I went to the Goodman Cemetery in Payne's Cove. There is no access to the cemetery from Payne's Cove Road due to a fence. Went to a farm off of Hwy 50 on Argo Dr. that looked to be the farm that owned the cemetery. Got permission to look. Drove to a thicket in the middle of the field behind his house and found some headstones in the briars....

You had mentioned Sharon Goodman's articles in the Pathfinder. Sharon & I have written each other about this, and she told me that a lot of her Goodman information came from her father-in-law and that she has found a few inconsistencies in it. She is planning to re-address the connections she had to my grandfather.

I have been able to document quite a bit on nearly all of the descendants of my ggrandfather William M. Goodman and my ggrandmother Mary Alice Tucker. I have also got quite a bit on Mary Alice Tucker's family, including her sister Susannah, who married a James B. LeVan. James was the wounded CSA soldier who escaped with the also wounded George Goodman. George was nursed to health in the hills by his mother Evaline Payne Goodman, the widow of Anderson S. Goodman, who was murdered by the Bixeyites.

James & Susannah had a son "Z.H." who married Eliza Jane Guinn - the sister of my other ggrandmother. Z.H. & Eliza had a dtr, Janie, who I met as a young boy; in fact my sister is named after her.

I noticed that Janelle is looking for Paynes and I assume that Evaline might be on her tree.

Anyway, I would love to find the connection Nancy Summers. Betty mentioned the Nancy Summers that no one has found a husband for her. I am just speculating, but the 1850 census shows her living close to Solomon P. Goodman. Could she have been living on Solomon's land? Betty suggested that Nancy was born around 1815. Solomon was born 1817. Nancy's youngest son on that census is a William. I keep thinking that this William is a possible illegitimate son of Solomon. The only stretch is the last name. But it would possibly explain why Solomon's son, Henderson William "Hense" (who was born the same year as my William M.) was the one who posted the marriage bond for William M. Betty, you mentioned you had more info on this Nancy. Do you have

anything on this son William? That would put to rest my speculation.

Sorry for droning on, any comments would be appreciated.

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