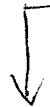


**December 30, 2007**

**Gray - Family of Ida Prim Gray Smith**

Job Oscar Gray    Deborah Ellen (Coltrane) Gray



Robert Welborn    Esther (Dix) Welborn



Joseph Walter Gray    Ida (Welborn) Gray  
Married Nov. 12, 1896

Brothers-

Reuben    Winslow

Sisters

Emma    Smira

Hannah    Ila

Brother

Will

Sisters

Agnes    Maud    Mint

Ellen    Elizabeth

Prim's siblings

Oscar McFarland-October 20, 1899- Watchman

Thad    September 12, 1915 Mill worker

Mead    September 24, 1912 Died when about two

Epsie Moore    November 3, 1897 Farmer's wife

Muriel Snyder    March 18, 1902 - Farmer's wife

Faye Hayes    June 12, 1904 - Accountant's wife

Jewel Swaim    July 7, 1906- Buyer for Furniture Co. (the wood) she was a nurse

Ida Prim Smith    November 13, 1908- Preacher's wife and mom worked at Belk's for 23 plus years.

Verla Frazier    November 5, 1918-She and husband were mill workers

Our grandmother Gray had children from 1897-1918 Wow!!

**Smith- Family of William Sykes Smith**

William Smith-(the one you found )    mother?????

George Walter Smith    Lucy Jane (Dowd) Smith

Sisters    Stella Smith Dowd (husband was D.W.) Buried at Carbondon

Annie- all I know

### Lucy's Parents

John Allen Dowd- 1849-1917      Otelia A. Barber- 1849-1890

### Lucy's Siblings

Brothers- Will Dowd- A Free Will Baptist Minister and Dairy Farmer. He married Oppie Smith, daughter of Ambrose Smith. Her parents are buried at Tyson Baptist Church; also, burial place of another brother- Lewis Dowd- a Horse Farmer. They had about six children- I remember some of their names: Clarence, Ambrose, Leonard, Hortense and maybe two more.

Oren Dowd- Methodist Bishop (Wife's name was Virginia. He served a Methodist Church in Wilmington at one time. Wish I knew the dates. He had no children. I was told he wanted to adopt my Dad and send him to school, that did not happen. Dad did not get to attend school much. He did like to learn, and he use to quote poetry to us kids.

Sisters- Rosie Elkins- husband was Thomas and he had a farm at Bear Creek. Burial place for the Elkins is Bear Creek Baptist Church. She had three sons: Wilbert, Howard, and Thomas or Tommy, the tall, tall one. Jim, son of Thomas, Rosie's husband; lived at the farm and never married.

There were several siblings that died young; some were half brothers or sisters. J.C. Dowd- brother of Lucy- 1878-1889 (He must have been about mine when Lucy was born)

John F. -1893-1910- Half brother (Mother was Louisa J. Nall 1857-1917)

Emily B. -1895-1910- Half sister (The half brother and sister must have had some type of fever or disease that took them the same year.

Some of this information I found at Chatham County Church Cemeteries. The Dowd Family plot was recorded in 1989 by Wayne Phillips.

A friend of mine uses the Mormons web familysearch.com. I have tried it but ha

### Dad's Siblings were:

Nan Allred- Husband had a saw mill and a wooden leg. His first wife died and he married Nan or Nancy Smith and she worked in the mill. Only daughter is Rachel. Rachel had six half siblings : Beula, Jasper, Louise, Maggie, are the ones I remember. Rachel has one son Timothy.

Fannie Hudson- Husband was a foreman at the mill, and builder of the mill homes. His first wife died and he had Dot King . Aunt Fannie lived with her after Robert died. Fannie and Robert had one son John Marvin and he had two sons, Alan and Randall.

*She was 5 when her mother died  
so Aunt Fannie was like the only  
mother she knew-*

Emma Burke- Married Will a man about her age. He worked doing the same thing Uncle Robert did. They had three daughters, Elizabeth, Rosa, Ruth and two sons, William and Paul. Elizabeth told me that four children died.

Jeff Smith- wife Mandeline- Jeff was a brick mason. They had three daughters, Margaret Ellen, Ducky (a nickname) and Phyliss. One son- Tommy Roy Smith- Owned a saw shop- Married Bessie Pegram- One daughter Doris Fields and two sons, Raymond Eugene, and Dudley Roy.

Love,  
Blanche

