

Our Bowers line out of Greene and Knox County Tennessee

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Following is some genealogical information regarding our **Bowers, Black, Morehead, Park, Brown, Young, Cartwright, and Rogers** lines and information that I, Joe Mode, gathered through conversation with my great grandmother, Edith Grand Bowers, other family members, family bibles, and published sources. Regarding sources, the bulk of records found herein related to census data, marriages, and death certificates were gathered at <https://familysearch.org/> or <http://home.ancestry.com/>. Many obituaries were gathered from family members over time and did not have the name of the newspaper or page. Some obituaries or newspaper articles came from <http://www.theancestorhunt.com/blog/tennessee-online-historical-newspapers-summary#.VIhrNzHF98F>. A great deal of information pertaining to birth and death dates and place of burial were found at <http://www.findagrave.com/>. When known, information from individual websites or via emails will be noted.

Great Uncle's Carl and Art Bowers have told me much over time, over the phone as well as in person during visits. My mom and other members of the Bowers clan have contributed greatly. Regarding documentation, census records, birth and death records, and marriage records contained herein have primarily come from family bibles, Familysearch.org, Ancestry.com, or Findagrave.com. These records are easily accessible and verifiable. I don't have a footnotes page here because this isn't a book, it's our family history. My Bowers line begins with my mamaw, **Dora Katherine Bowers Davis**, my mother's mom. Some of this information was gathered from the **Bowers Family Bible**, which belonged to **Great Granny Bowers** (Jerusa Edith Grant), daughter of **James Rufus Grant** and **Susan (Suda) Ellen Walker**. From what I understand thus far, it appears that our Bowers line came out of Virginia, but I'm not sure where in Virginia, nor do I know at this time where they originally came from before crossing the big pond. Bowers very well could be of German origin and may have been spelled "Bauer" at one time. I know for certain that our Park and Brown lines came straight out of Ireland.



Wm. E. & Edith Bowers



Wm. E. & Edith Grant Bowers and Maude and Ed Bowers



Edith & Edgar Bowers

1. My Bowers line starts with **Dora Katherine Bowers** who was born 22 February 1916 at home in Knoxville and married **William Kenneth Davis** on 1 December 1934 in Clinton, Anderson County Tennessee (*p. 180 Tennessee marriage index*) I don't know how they met. She died on 19 July 1987 at Saint Mary's Hospital in Knoxville. She had a perforated ulcer, and possibly cancer. They are my mamaw and papaw. (*See Davis Family Document for more on our Davis side*) To this union were born two daughters, Bettye Jean Davis Mode and Rebecca Davis Summers.

2. **William Edgar Bowers** was born in Knoxville on 15 January 1894 and died in Knoxville on 21 September 1963. Mom said for as long as she could remember Paw Bowers had the nicest silver gray hair and she thought that he may have played the harmonica. She said, "*He was a cute little ole feller.*" Knox County marriage records (*No. 244*) show Willie Bowers (18) married Carrie May Stalsworth (18) on 30 March 1912. Frank Rose was a witness. Uncle Art Bowers told me on 18 June 2012 that his dad was known as "Willie" and that is what he always heard his Grandmaw Bowers (Nancy A. Black Bowers) call him. He also said that he heard that his dad always voted Democrat and that neither his father nor mother ever drove a car or owned one. According to mom William Edgar married once before marrying Jerusa Edith Grant and then left or took off and the women died of T.B. or pneumonia. Mom said, "*He got married and just went off, just skipped town or something. He may have joined the Army and went to war. When he came back she had pneumonia or something and her daddy wouldn't let him see her because of the way he had treated her. We had a picture of the two of them that hung in our woodshed*

back home, but I don't know what happened to it." Carrie appears to have been born in 1893 to John Franklin and Almeda Smith Stalsworth and died on 29 July 1913. FamilySearch.org has Carrie listed as Carrie May Bocoers. W.E. Bowers married second **Jerusa Edith Grant** in Knoxville on 21 March 1914 by Squire Sellers. He was 20 and she was 18. Witnesses to the marriage were Mr. and Mrs. W.M. Hill/Maynard Hill and Mollie Walker Hill. Mollie was Edith's aunt (License #569, Book 13, Page 129) Granny Bowers was born in Grainger County/Liberty Hill on 25 September 1898 and died in Chattanooga at the home of her son **Arthur Richard Bowers** Thursday morning about 8:00 in her sleep on 20 September 1990. She and Wm. E. Bowers are both are buried at Lynnhurst Cemetery in Knoxville. William E. Bowers had a brother, **Earl Edward Bowers**, who was born on 2 May 1902 and died on 13 February 1988. Ed married Maude Palmer (23 Mar 1901-Mar 1981 age 79-80) on 24 December 1921 in Knoxville (License #1655, Book 15, Page 367). William E. Bowers also had two sisters, **Arlone and Mae /May Bowers**. **Mae Bowers** married **Frank Rose** on 16 October 1910 in Knoxville (License #916, Book 12, Page 138) Uncle Art Bowers said that his Uncle Frank Rose was a Top Sergeant during WWI and came back with lung problems from breathing the poisonous gas. He had his uniform displayed, helmet, coat, riding breeches and all and had a real nice, ornate pool table with elaborately carved legs. Art wondered what became of all that stuff. Mom said Ed and Maude were over the TVA & I Fair. **Arlone Bowers** was born March 1898, was divorced, and living at 502 Grainger Street when she died at the age of 20 on 13 April 1918. She married Earl Bright on 25 September 1915.

3. Robert E. Lee Bowers was born 21 July 1867 in Greenville, Tennessee and died 25 February 1939 in Knoxville, Tennessee. Uncle Art Bowers said he thought the "E" stood for Edgar, saying that his dad William Edgar was named after his dad, Robert Edgar Lee Bowers. Lee Bowers married **Nancy Adaline Black** on 7 August 1890 in Knox County, Tennessee. She was born 9 July 1872 in Morristown, Hamblen County, Tennessee and died on 15 March 1949 in Knoxville, Tennessee. They are buried at Greenwood Cemetery, Knoxville. **Nancy A. Black** is the daughter of **Alexander Black** and **Sarah C. Young**. **Sarah C. Young** was born 16 August 1849 in Hamilton Co. and died 11 May 1890. She was the daughter of **Henry Young** of Virginia and **Maria Rogers** of South Carolina. Alexander Black was born 15 November 1845, possibly Grainger or Hamblen Co., and died 19 May 1912 in Knox Co. Alexander and Sarah were married on 18 November 1866 in Grainger County, Tennessee They are buried at Greenwood Cemetery, Knoxville. Alexander was a member of Co. E., 16th Georgia Confederate Infantry and was the son of **Minetary Washington Black** and **Sarah Cartwright**. I believe that Minetary Washington Black was the son of **Jacob Black** and **Margaret "Peggy" Sellers** of Jefferson County. (Not proven at this time)

4. Jacob D. Bowers was born circa 1838, possibly in Virginia, and died at 4:00 p.m. on 6 July 1873 in Greeneville, Tennessee during a Cholera epidemic and is buried at the Old Harmony Graveyard in Greeneville. Jacob D. married Elizabeth Morehead/Moorehead in Greeneville on 21 June 1860. Elizabeth was the daughter of **Alexander Lewis Morehead** and **Margaret Brown Park** who were married on 22 October 1833 in Greeneville. **Alexander L. Morehead** was a Master Tailor with **Andrew Johnson**, who witnessed Alexander's wedding. A note in the Andrew Johnson papers mention an 1835 contract of indentured servitude establishing that Alexander Morehead will work in Johnson's Greeneville, Tennessee tailor shop while Johnson is in Nashville. Alexander also died in the Greeneville cholera epidemic on 28 June 1873. **Margaret Brown Park** was the daughter of **Andrew Park** and **Eleanor Brown** who were married in Greene County, Tennessee on 26 June 1807. The Morehead family came out of Pennsylvania and the Parks and Browns came straight out of Ireland. In 1870 Jacob was a House Carpenter, being born in Virginia.

23	49	49	Bowers Jacob	32	M	W	House Carpenter				ba			
24			— Eliza	31	M	W	Keeping house				Yarn			
25			— Susan	8	F	W					"			
26			— Sarah	7	F	W					"			
27			— Dorcas	4	M	W					"			
28			— Leonodus	3	M	W					"			
29			— Thomas	1/2	M	W					"			100

1870 Greene County, Tennessee Census

5. Jacob Bowers was probably born in Virginia circa 1797 and died sometime between 7 July 1874 and 1 February 1875 as evinced by his Estate Inventory of that date. He was a Cooper by trade and was also the town Standards Keeper. Some evidence indicates that he may have even been the mayor of Greeneville. He may have married **Mary**

Cox? He married a "Mary," but I am not sure of her last name. I have a marriage between a **Jacob Bowers** and **Mary Cox** in Augusta Co, Virginia on 28 June 1821. They may be ours however I believe they are still in Augusta Co. in the 1850 census, which would discount that theory. The Bowers line came out of Virginia in to Greene Co.

The Greene County Iron Company, whose works are located at Hayesville, is turning out daily about ten tons of superior pig iron.
Jacob Bowers has been re-elected Mayor of Greeneville. This is said to be the seventh time that the mayoralty has been conferred upon him.

(Nashville Union and American 18 Dec. 1870)

Will of Jacob Bowers-Greene County Wills-page 116-Compiled by Goldene Fillers Burgner

Jacob Bowers 7 July 1874

To wife, Mary, all personal property, real estate; at her death to daughter, Sarah A. Maloney, who has been good and kind to us in our old age. Children: Henrietta, Mary Jan, Abraham, Solomon O. Jacob (deceased) have their part. Executor: V.S. Maloney. The will is dated 7 October 1873. Witnesses: E.C. Reaves, Thomas Maloney. Signed Jacob Bowers

Jacob BOWERS, dec^d.
7th July 1874 Mem. Co. Page 479.
State of Tennessee, Co. of Greene County,
Whereas, The last Will and Testament of Jacob Bowers dec^d having exhibited and proven in our County Court of Greene County, and upon the Executor named therein, and having been exhausted by the Will from giving Bond, and having taken the oath of Executor, the Court Order that Letters Testamentary be issued to you, accordingly, There are therefore to, empower you the said V.S. Maloney, to enter upon the Execution of said Will, and to Collect and Administer all the property of the Testator agreeable to the provisions of said Will and the Laws of the Land, requiring you to make and Exhibit an Inventory and an account of Sales, and to make Settlement of said Estate, according to Law. Witness V.S. Maloney Clerk of said Court at office the 7th day of July 1874.
V.S. Maloney, clk

Jacob Bowers-Settlement-7 July 1874

Jacob Bowers Sr dec^d
Greenville Feb'y the 1st 1875.
To the Worshipful County Court of Greene County. The undersigned
here come to Report to your Worship that there has been \$21.00 debts
come into his hands as the Executor of Jacob Bowers Sr dec^d and
probably will nothing more come into his hands, as the property
is all Willed to the Widow Mary Bowers both Real and personal during
her natural Life
This 1st day of February 1875.
V. S. Maloney Executor ad.

Jacob Bowers Sr-Estate Inventory 1 Feb 1875

50	50	Jacob Bowers	53	m	Cooper	virg.	
		Mary	50	f		virg.	
		Abraham	22	m	Cooper	virg.	
		Henrietta	18	f		virg.	
		Sarah A	14	f		virg.	1
		Jacob D	12	m		virg.	1

1850 Greene County, Tennessee Census Note that both Jacob and his son Abraham are coopers, and son Jacob D. Bowers is later identified as a "Horse Farrier."

1	2	3	DESCRIPTION.			7	VALUE OF REAL ESTATE OWNED.		10	PARENTAGE.		13	14	EDUCATION.			18	CONSTITUTIONAL RELATIONS.	
			Age at last birthday if under 18	Sex	Color		Value of Real Estate.	Value of Personal Estate.		Father of foreign birth.	Mother of foreign birth.			Attended school within the year.	Cannot read.	Cannot write.		Whether deaf and dumb, blind, insane, or idiotic.	Married within the year.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
1	7	7	Bowers Jacob	74	M	Cooper	1000	500	1/2	/								/	
2			Mary	70	F	Housewife			"	/									

1870 Greeneville, Greene County Tennessee Census showing Jacob Bowers, 74 with the occupation of Cooper along with his wife Mary, 70. Note both Jacob and Mary list that both of their fathers were "Foreign Born." Jacob states that he is a U.S. citizen, but Mary does not (Civil District #10, page 2, dwelling and family #7)

Our Grant line goes back to John Grant and Polly Ridenour of Grantsboro in Campbell County and is covered in another extensive Word document file covering our Grant line.

Our **Walker** line goes back to **Edward Walker, Jr.** and **Mahala Tussey** and **Edward Walker, Sr.** and **Jane Horne** of Mulberry Gap in Claiborne County, Tennessee. This side of the family is also covered in detail in another Word document file. Edward Walker, Jr. was a veteran of the War of 1812 and Edward Walker, Sr. was a Revolutionary War Veteran. Our Grant and Walker line is included in the book **First Families of Tennessee**.

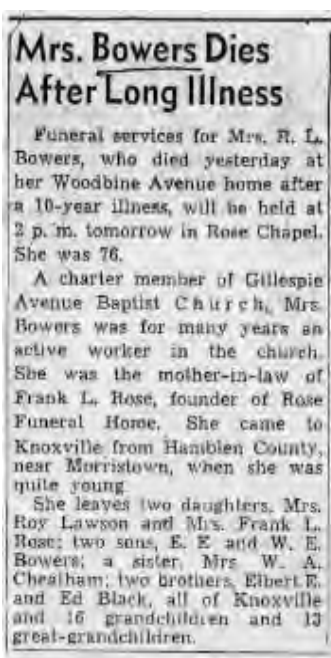
Obituary of Robert E. Lee Bowers, Knoxville Journal 26 February 1939, Page 6.

Lee Bowers dies at home here at 71.

R.E. Lee Bowers, 71, one of Knoxville's pioneer meat cutters, died at 2:45 p.m. yesterday at his home 314 Grainger St., after an illness of several weeks. Mr. Bowers was born in Greeneville, and came to Knoxville 60 years ago to make his home. He was one of the early butcher shop employs and continued in that work for 20 years. He had been connected with Morgan Ice & Coal Co. for the last 20 years. He was the father-in-law of Frank L. Rose, of Rose's Funeral Home. Surviving are his widow, Mrs. Ada Black Bowers, one daughter Mrs. F.L. Rose; two sons, Edward and Will Bowers, and an adopted daughter, Mrs. Roy D. Lawson, all of Knoxville; one sister Mrs. Mary Pitts, a half-sister Mrs. Lena Whiteside, both of John Sevier; 16 grandchildren and two great grandchildren. Funeral services will be at 2:30 p.m. tomorrow at Rose's Funeral Home. Active pallbearers: R.W. Stone, W.H. Allen, John McClain, A.W. Caldwell, R.B. Chesney, and Charles Garrett. Honorary pallbearers: G.M. Stalyon, H.H. Caywood, E.R. Kesterson, Wylie Palmer, the Rev. W.R. Kirkpatrick and L.G. Ragain. *(Robert E. Lee Bower's death record, #5637, states that he died of "carcinoma of pancreas")*



Nancy Adaline Black



Nancy A. Black Bowers Obit



Robert E. Lee Bowers

Obituary/Death Record of William Edgar Bowers:

W.E. Bowers Dies at 69

William E. Bowers, charter member of Gillespie Avenue Baptist Church where he was custodian for 36 years, died last night. He was 69. He and his wife, Mrs. Edith Bowers, lived at 1713 Seventh Ave. A sister, Mrs. Frank Rose, is the wife of the owner and operator of Rose's Funeral Home.

Besides his wife and sister, Mr. Bowers leaves daughters, Mrs. Dora Davis and Mrs. Margaret Arnett, both of Knoxville; sons, Fred and Frank Bowers, both of Knoxville, and Robert Bowers, Hollywood, Fla., Arthur Bowers, San Antonio, Tex., Melvin Bowers, Chattanooga, and Carl Bowers, Tampa, Fla.; another sister, Mrs. Elizabeth Lawson, also of Knoxville; brother, E.E. Bowers, Knoxville; 20 grandchildren and six great-grandchildren. The body was taken to Rose's. (Death record states that W.E. Bowers died at 9:30 p.m. at Eastern State Hospital.) Pallbearers were Louis Black, Edward Cox, Elmer Heatherly, John Heatherly, Roy Lawson, and William Mode-dad. *(Died at Eastern State Hospital according to Art and Carl Bowes and from lung cancer according to Uncle Art Bowers)* (Joe, I was a pall bearer. I was 30 years old, Kenneth was 3 and you were 1 at the time-from dad- William F. Mode)

World War I Draft Registration Card for William Edgar Bowers.

Registration No. 46/41-1-23A	Age in years: 23	Address: 417 Grainger Ave.	
D.O.B.: Feb. 15, 1895	Born: Knoxville, Tenn., U.S.	Trade: Rip Sawyer	
Employed by: Holston Box and Lumber Co.			
Dependents: Wife & 1 child	Height: Medium	Eyes: Black	Hair: Brown

From the book **GREENEVILLE-One Hundred Year Portrait** is this information regarding the cholera epidemic, which killed Jacob D. Bowers and his father-in-law, Alexander Morehead:

The Cholera Epidemic of 1873. In 1873 a cholera epidemic spread throughout Greeneville, which decimated the town's population by approximately one hundred persons. On May 24, 1873, Dr. Marion Maloney came from Nashville and was the first to become ill. Dr. E.B. Smith diagnosed Dr. Maloney as having the symptoms of Asiatic Cholera. Dr. Maloney recovered. The next case appeared on June 10th. The

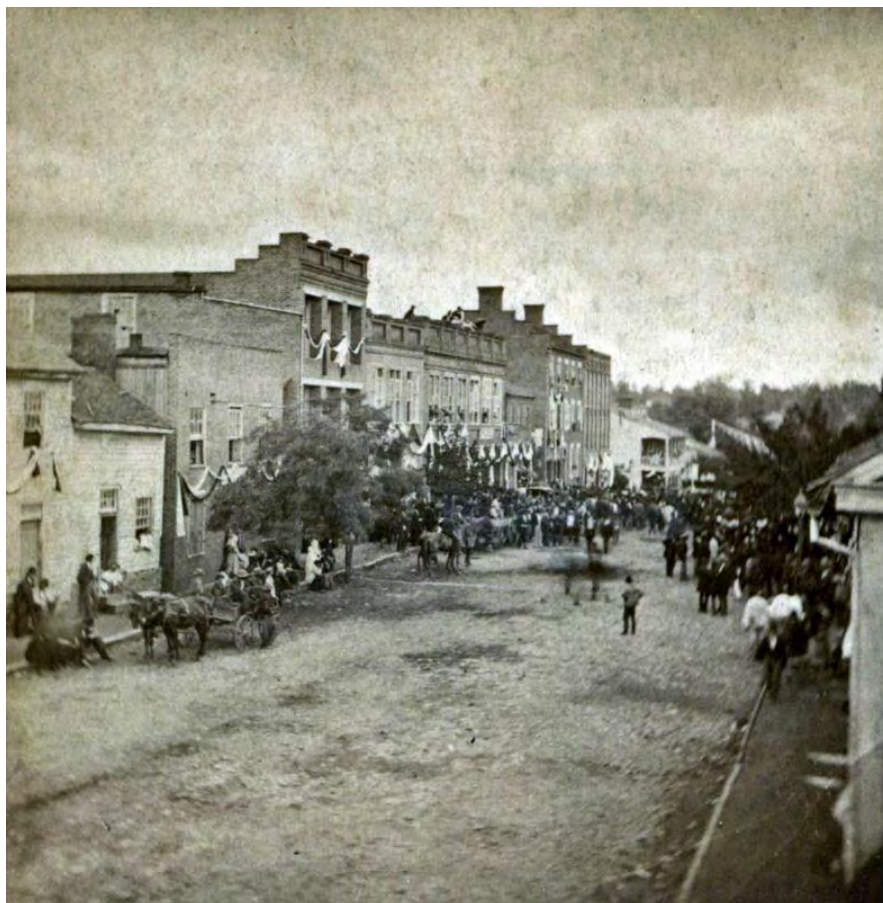
THE SICK.
Thomas Lane, Sr., is some better this evening and it is thought he will get well. James A. Lane is worse, but may be brought round during the night by the treatment he is receiving.
Mr. Keester, tanner, is dying, and can not survive through the night.
Jacob Bowers, Jr., is lying in a critical condition. He hangs between the merest possibility of life and a nearly certain death.

following June days saw many more deaths, and everyone who could, left the environs of Greeneville and took refuge in the country. Dr. Smith was kept so busy that he moved to a downstairs room in his home on North Main Street, where an open window made it possible to summon him quickly for help. The rest of June saw the deaths of more people, one of them being **Alexander Lewis Morehead** on 28 June 1873 (Father-in-law to **Jacob D. Bowers**)

(Newspaper clipping from the Knoxville Weekly Chronicle 2 July 1873-page 5)

The *Bristol News*, 1 Jul 1873, Tue, First Edition states that a **Mr. Morehead** died on a Saturday, which would make his death on Saturday, June 27th according to calendars rather than Sunday the 29th. The article states that Mr. Morehead's son was the "Route agent."

The undertakers and gravediggers were so very busy that it was reported that more than one person shared a grave. The entire upper right hand corner of Old Harmony Graveyard was given over to the cholera victims. **Andrew Johnson**, whom **Alexander L. Morehead** worked with as a tailor, also contracted the disease. Throughout the month of July, cholera continued to rage and strike down many victims and continuing through the fifteenth of the month more people felt the call of the grim reaper, one of them being **Jacob D. Bowers**, who died on 6 July 1873 (He is the father of **Robert E. Lee Bowers**)



Main Street Greenville, Andrew Johnson's funeral 3 August 1875

Five Deaths Since Last Report.

Special to the Chronicle.

GREENEVILLE, July 7—8:20 P. M.

Mrs. Joann Britton died on Saturday at 4 o'clock, P. M., at Tusculum College, four miles from town, where she had gone with her family.

James Gass, Esq., died at his home two miles from town Saturday night.

Jacob Bowers died in town yesterday at 4 o'clock, P. M.

Andrew Russell, colored, died at 3 o'clock this morning. He was fifty-nine years of age, was three feet high, and weighed fifty pounds. He was very much respected.

Mrs. Mary Carter died to-day a mile from town at 10 A. M.

Ex-President Johnson is sick near Henderson's, at Judge Patterson's. He has been very sick but is better to-day.

All other cases are doing finely to-day.

CHOLERA IN GREENEVILLE.

Special to the Knoxville Chronicle.

GREENEVILLE, July 7, 8:20 P. M.—We feel more hopeful here to-day, there being but very few new cases since the report on Saturday evening. Mrs. Joannah Butler died on Saturday at 4 o'clock P. M. at Tusculum College, four miles from town, where she had gone with her family. Jas. Gass, Esq., died at his home, two miles from town, Saturday night. Jacob Bowers died in town yesterday at 4 o'clock P. M. Andrew Russell, colored, died at 3 o'clock this morning. He was fifty-nine years of age, was three feet high, and weighed fifty pounds. He was very much respected. Mrs. Mary Carter died to-day, a mile from town, at 10 A. M. Ex-President Johnson is sick near Henderson's, at Judge Patterson's. He has been very sick, but is better to day. All other cases are doing finely to-day.

(Knoxville Weekly Chronicle 9 July 1873-page 5) (Nashville Union and American 10 July 1873)

Suspected children of Jacob and Mary Bowers

1. Solomon O. Bowers was born in Virginia circa 1822. The 1850 Greeneville, Greene County census lists Solomon O. Bowers 28 VA, Catherine 28 VA, Sarah B. 5 VA, Mary M. 3 VA, Emily G. 11 months TN, and Hartswell Good 19. I show a Solomon O. Bowers married a Catherine A. Williams on 31 October 1843 in Page County Virginia. I'm not sure if this is our Solomon, but the marriage date corresponds pretty well with the birth of their first child Sarah B. Bowers circa 1845.

2. Mary Jan/Jane Bowers may have been born between 1822 and 1838. She appears in the will of her father, but I have not found her since. She either died or was married prior to the 1850 census.

3. Abraham Bowers was born circa 1828 in Virginia. I have not found him in 1860 or 1870 thus far.

4. Henrietta Catherine Bowers Bolinger was born on 13 May 1831 in Virginia and died of "Influenza & Bronchitis" in Rheatown, Greene County Tennessee on 2 February 1916 at the age of 84. Informant, J.H. Myers of Rheatown, stated that she was a widow, an invalid. Her father was **Jacob Bowers** and mother unknown (*Death Certificate #45*) Henrietta married William H. Bolinger on 28 July 1854 in Greene County. He was born 14 June 1826 and died on 19 February 1900. Both are buried at Rheatown Cemetery in Greene County, Tennessee



The children of William H. and Henrietta Catherine Bowers Bolinger

- 1.** Mollie Bolinger was born about 1857 and married a Newell (?)
- 2.** Anna Bolinger was born on 6 October 1861.
- 3.** Martha Callie Bolinger was born 15 November 1863 in Tennessee and died on 21 November 1927 in Greene County, Tennessee. She married John William Cox who was born August 1865 in Washington County, Tennessee and died after 1889 in Tennessee. They married 24 December 1885 in Washington County, Tennessee.
- 4.** William Alexander Bolinger I was born about 1870 and married Cordia (?)
- 5.** Henry V. Bolinger was born about 1872 and died circa 1921 in Greene County, Tennessee.

The 2nd Husband of Martha Callie Bolinger was John William Nelson who was born 27 December 1862 in Hamilton or Washington County, Tennessee and died on 25 March 1928 in Fairview, Greene County Tennessee. They married 9 October 1893 in Tennessee (**From work by Cynthia McDaniel on Genforum.com June 14, 2002**)

5. Sarah Amanda Bowers was born November 1838 in Virginia (As per 1900 census) and married **Valentine Sevier Maloney** on 16 June 1854 in Greene County (FamilySearch.org) The **1860 Greene County** census shows Valentine Maloney 36, Sarah 25, William F. 4, and Robert J. 1 month. They appear to be living in Greene County in **1870** as well. The **1880 Greeneville, Green County Tennessee census, page 168C** shows Valentine Maloney 56, Sara (Bowers) 40, Frank 13, Mary A. 11, and Walter 6. The **1900 Greeneville Town, Greene County Tennessee census, page 145A, family 298** shows Sarah A. Bowers 61 (born November 1838 in Virginia as were her parents; Mother of 5, 4 living-widow) William F. 43 (June 1856 House Painter) and Walter W. 26 (June 1873)

V.S. Maloney appears to have been a Democratic Representative for Greene County in 1882 according to an article in the Clarksville Weekly Journal on 11 November 1882

GENERAL NOTES.

People are still fleeing from town, as fast as they can get away. Ex-President Johnson and family left on Sunday. **V. S. Maloney** and family, and J. G. Gass and family left to-day. The town is almost completely depopulated.

(An article from the Knoxville weekly chronicle on July 02, 1873 describing the family of Valentine Maloney leaving Greeneville due to the Cholera epidemic which killed his brother-in-law Jacob D. Bowers. V.S. Maloney was nominated as County Court Clerk in the May 2, 1882 addition of Knoxville Daily Chronicle (Volume XII/No 282)

Thieves.

The residence of **V. S. Maloney**, County Court Clerk of Greene county, was entered by thieves on Thursday while he was attending the Sabbath school jubilee, and robbed of more than one hundred dollars.

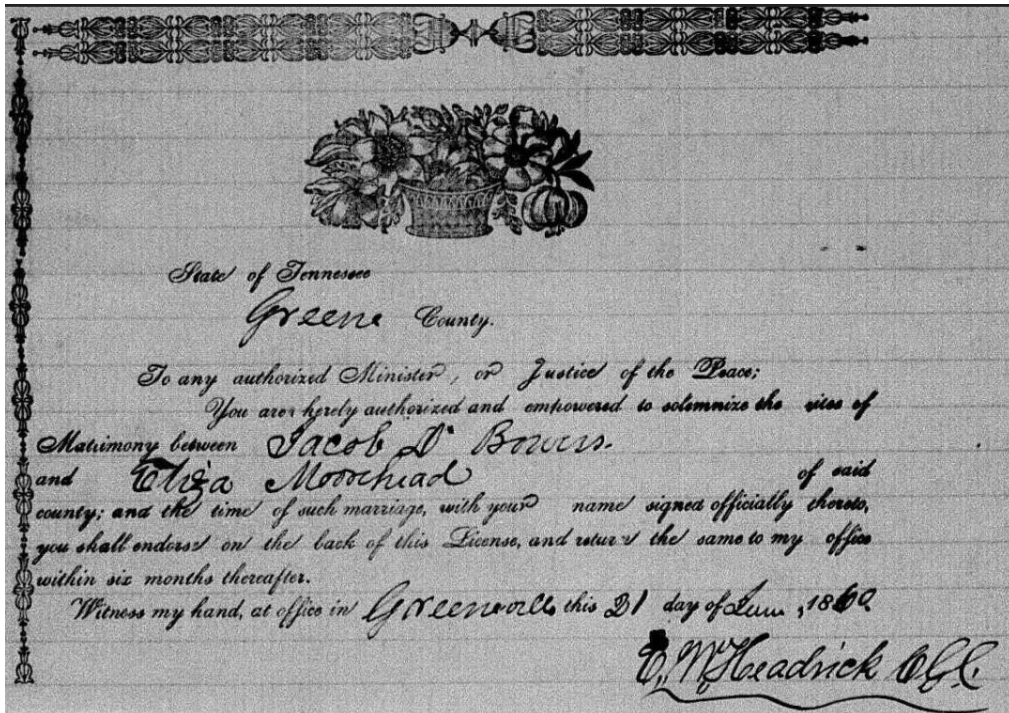
Knoxville daily chronicle, September 16, 1871

**THE MALONEY FAMILY
OF GREENE COUNTY, TENNESSEE**
Contributed by Stevie Hughes

The children of Robert and Catherine Cooper Maloney are:

Valentine Sevier Maloney was born circa 1823. Valentine Sevier Maloney married **Amanda (Sarah) Bowers** on 16 June 1854 (**Daughter of Jacob and Mary Bowers and sister to Jacob D. Bowers**) In the 1860 Census, Valentine was a tailor and lived in town on Depot Street. Two children were in their household, (1) William F. and (2) Robert J. (Bobby), born on 5-18-1860 who died in childhood on 5-25-1866 and is buried in Old Harmony Cemetery in downtown Greeneville. By 1870, Valentine was the County Clerk of Greene County. Children born between 1861 and 1870 were: (3) Franklin (Frank) and (4) Emma (Mary). The last child born after 1870 was (5) Walter W. Maloney. In the 1900 Census William and Walter were still in their widowed Mother's household. Valentine Sevier Maloney died after 1880 and before 1900. His widow, Sarah Bowers Maloney, still lived in Greeneville in 1900. In the 1900 census, Sarah stated she had five children, of whom four were living. By 1910, none of the Maloney sons were in Greeneville. The youngest son, Walter W. Maloney, a musician, lived in North Carolina. It seems probable Valentine and his wife both died in Greeneville. Valentine S. Maloney was a very prominent man in early Greene County. As of this writing, the burial place of Valentine and his wife have not been located. For such a prominent family to be buried in unmarked graves is nothing less than amazing. Valentine and his wife are surely buried at either Old Harmony Cemetery or at Oak Grove Cemetery chartered in 1883, but was possibly a burial ground before that date.

6. Jacob D. Bowers was born circa 1838, possibly in Virginia, and died 6 July 1873 in Greeneville, Tennessee during a Cholera epidemic and is buried at the Old Harmony Graveyard in Greeneville. Jacob D. married Elizabeth Morehead in Greeneville on 21 June 1860. Elizabeth was the daughter of **Alexander Lewis Morehead** and **Margaret Brown Park** who were married on 22 October 1833 in Greeneville. **Alexander L. Morehead** was a Master Tailor with **Andrew Johnson**, who witnessed Alexander's wedding. A note in the Andrew Johnson papers mention an 1835 contract of indentured servitude establishing that Alexander Morehead will work in Johnson's Greeneville, Tennessee tailor shop while Johnson is in Nashville. Alexander also died in the Greeneville cholera epidemic on 28 June 1873. **Margaret Brown Park** was the daughter of **Andrew Park** and **Eleanor Brown** who were married in Greene Co., TN on 26 June 1807. The Morehead family came out of Pennsylvania and the Parks and Browns came straight out of Ireland.



Marriage record for Jacob D. Bowers and Eliza Moorehead-21 June 1860

NOT OUR MARY JAN BOWERS: Mary Jane Bowers was born circa 1840 and married Daniel Wilhoite on 8 March 1866 in Greene County, Tennessee. I don't think this is the Mary Jan listed in Jacob Bower's will. Daniel Wilhoit b: September 1830 in Greene County, Tennessee d: November 21, 1910 in Jerico Springs, Cedar County, Missouri (thelma@salisbury.net) The 1910 Benton, Cedar Missouri census, family#98, page 8 lists Daniel Willhoit 79 and Mary J. 70. They both were born in Tennessee. At Findagrave.com I found **Mary Jane Masoner Bowers Wilhoit** with the note: Daughter of Newton Harvey Masoner & Sarah Otteninger. Mary Jane Masoner married David Bowers on 21 July 1859. David passed away on 13 August 1860. Mary Jane then married Daniel Wilhoit in 1866.

I also show a **Mary Ann Bowers** who married **Henry Rader** in Greene County on 3 October 1850. From Genforum, however, someone posted the following: The info I have is that Henry Rader, son of William Rader and Barbara Hauff, was born 17 February 1829. Henry Rader married **Mary Ann "Pollyan" Bowers** 3 October 1850. Mary Ann was the daughter of Joel Bowers and Elizabeth Freshour. Joel Bowers was the brother of my g-g-g-grandfather, Jonas Bowers who married Elizabeth "Betsy" Rader, 20 Aug. 1818.

Joel Bowers and Jonas Bowers were sons of Christian Bowers and Elizabeth Andes, who married about 26 November 1795, Rockingham County, Virginia. Joel Bowers was born about 11 November 1803 and died 21 May 1853, Greene County, TN, and buried at Sinking Springs Cemetery. I have our Bowers family history, and can give you more details. I have further info on Mary Ann and Henry Rader, if you don't have that. Just contact me. Thanks!
Brenda Tengelin.

Some notes pertaining to Jacob and Jacob D. Bowers work for the Confederacy

I have often wondered how the Civil War affected our Bowers clan and associated families, and specifically wondered if Jacob D. Bowers served on either side of the conflagration. He was 22 in 1860, a "Horse Farrier," and well old enough to serve and ripe for cannon fodder. While perusing the material found at **Footnote.com** I came across a number of documents pertaining to work performed for the Confederate States of America by father and son, Jacob and Jacob D. Bowers. All of the documents were "RECEIVED" in Greeneville, Tennessee and all but one pertained to "coopering" work done by Jacob Bowers. One will notice that the 1850 and 1860 Greene County

census list Jacob Bower's occupation as "Cooper." I have, at this point, found no record of Jacob D. Bowers serving in a military capacity for either side, but figure if he did, he may have served with the C.S.A. considering the work done for the confederacy. The documents and work performed span from 6 August 1862 until 27 August 1863. Why the work ended is not known at this time. Jacob may have had a contract for a year with the Confederate Government, or perhaps the work ended when the confederacy lost control of Tennessee and East Tennessee. Cover documents titled: **RECORDS DIVISION-Rebel Archives-War Dept.**

THE CONFEDERATE STATES (No 12) to Jacob Bowers.....Dr. Date of purchase August 6, 1862. To one mule @ \$140.00 I certify the above account is correct and just and that the mule was purchased by me for the use of the army of the confederate states, and under orders from Major Genl. (?) and that the mule was turned over to the Quarter Master of Col. McNeils Rgt. at Chrystal (?) Hill Ark. J.C. Martin Capt. Co. D. Col. McNeil's Rgt. Ark. McM(?) Regt. 5th Ark. **RECEIVED** at Little Rock Arks the 25th of May 1862 of Major I. Elam(?) Quartermaster C.S. Army the sum of One Hundred forty Dollars and _____ Cents, in full of the above account. **Jacob Bowers.**
(*This appears to be the signature of Jacob Bowers in each case*)

THE CONFEDERATE STATES to Jacob Bowers- May 12, 1863. Medical Dept.

Repairing 5 buckets at 50 cts each 2.50. 5 pails at 50 cts each 2.50.

I CERTIFY, on honor that the above account is correct, and just, that the services were rendered as stated, and that they were necessary for the public service. R.E. Moore surg. P.A.C.S. **RECEIVED** at Greeneville, Tenn. the 14th day of May 1863 of H.G. Robertson Assistant Quartermaster, C.S. Army, the sum of five dollars _____ cents, in full of the above account: **Jacob Bowers.**

THE CONFEDERATE STATES to Jacob Bowers July 1, 1863.

For Two Extra Iron Bound Buckets at \$5.00 Each. Certified by H.G. Robertson, Assistant Quartermaster, on the 30 day of September 1863. **RECEIVED** at Greeneville, Tenn. the 1st day of July 1863 of CAPT. H.G. Robertson, Assistant Quartermaster, C.S. Army, the sum of ten dollars and _____ Cents, in full of the above named account **Jacob Bowers.**

THE CONFEDERATE STATES to Jacob Bowers Dr.

To One Water Bucket at \$5.00. Certified by H.G. Robertson. **RECEIVED** at Greeneville, Tenn. the 1st day of July 1863 five dollars and _____ cents.

Voucher no 145. Expenditure of Hospital Fund \$15.00 by R.E. Moore, Surgeon P.A.C.S. in charge of Madison Hospital Greeneville, Tenn. Madison Hospital To Jacob Bowers.....Dr.

120 lbs. Soap @ 12 ½ \$15.00. Received payment in full of above account. Greeneville, Tenn. July 25, 1863. **Jacob Bowers.**

THE CONFEDERATE STATES to Jacob Bowers.

Jacob Bowers Coopering \$5.00 Aug. 27, 1863. For coopering 21 Flour Barrels. John M. Orr, Capt. A.C.S.

RECEIVED at Greeneville, Tenn. the 27th day of August 1863 of Capt. John M. Orr A.C.S. C.S. Army, the sum of \$5.00 dollars and _____ cents, in full of the above account. **Jacob Bowers**

THE CONFEDERATE STATES to Jacob Bowers for Coopering.

Repairing 30 Flour Barrels. \$7.00. Certified by John M. Orr Capt. A.C.S. **RECEIVED** at Greeneville the 19th day of August 1863, of Capt. Jno. M. Orr, C.S. Army, the sum of Seven Dollars and _____ Cents, in full of the above account. **Jacob Bowers**

(No 12) Vou. No. **15** Abst. A **1st** Qr. 1864

Jacob Bowers-Two Water Barrels. Dollars 60.00. Paid 19th of March 1864

THE CONFEDERATE STATES TO Mr. Jacob Bowers

I CERTIFY that the above account is correct and just, and that the articles have been accounted for on my property return for the quarter ending on the 31st day of March 1864, William Johnston Quartermaster.

RECEIVED at Greeneville, Tenn. the 19th day of March 1864 of Capt. Wm. Johnston Quartermaster C.S. Army the sum of Sixty Dollars and _____ cents in full of the above account. **Jacob Bowers**

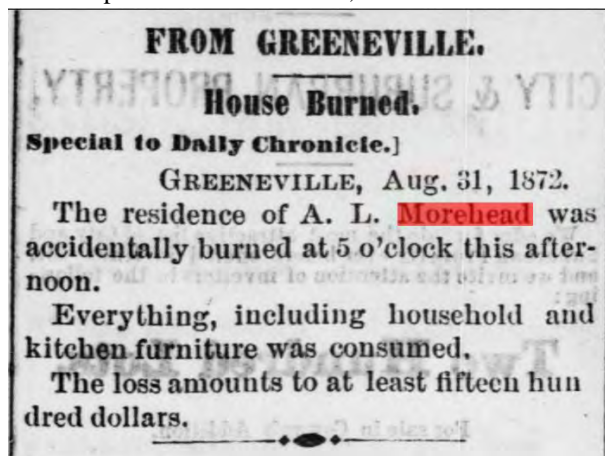
THE CONFEDERATE STATES TO Jacob Bowers for repairing and adjusting one pair of Platform Scales-\$1.50. I CERTIFY that the above account is correct and just, and that the articles have been accounted for on my property return for the month of AUGUST 1863 and that the purchases were made by order of Jim/Lewis E. Harris Capt. A.C.S. C.S.A. **RECEIVED** at Greeneville Tenn. on the 26 day of August 1863 of Capt. Jim/Lewis E. Harris A.C.S. C.S.A one dollar fifty cents in full of the above account. *Jacob Bowers Standard Keeper of G. County (I believe this to say "standard keeper." A "Standard Keeper" was also called a "weight viewer: the person who inspected scales so that a retailer would not give a short weight.)*

THE CONFEDERATE STATE, TO J.D. Bowers

For expenses incurred in forwarding dispatch from *Genl. Donaldson* Knoxville to *Genl. Pegram* Rogersville Tenn. Viz. Feeding horse two days \$3.00. Ferrying across river .50 cents. I CERTIFY, on my honor, that the above account is correct and just, that the services were rendered as stated, and that they were necessary for the public service, E. P. Williams Capt. **RECEIVED** at Greeneville T the 6 day of March 1863 of Capt. E. Williams Assistance Quartermaster C.S. Army, the sum of three Dollars and fifty Cents, in full of the above account. J.D. Bowers

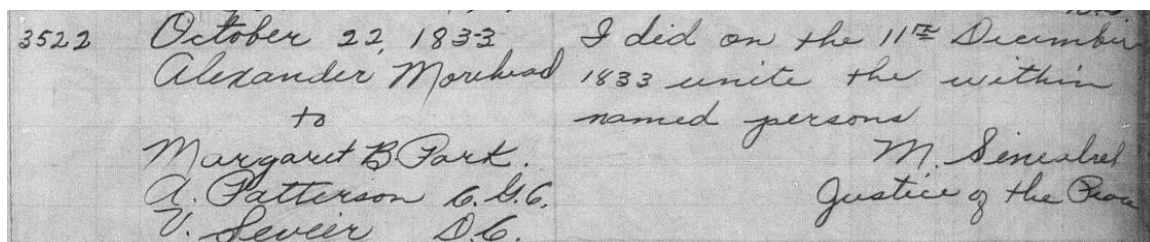
Some records on our Bowers, Morehead, and Park lines

Alexander Lewis Morehead/Moorehead was born in Adams County, Pennsylvania in 1807. He died during a cholera epidemic in Greeneville, Tennessee on 28 June 1873 and was buried in a mass grave at Old Harmony



Graveyard. On 22 October 1833 he published his marriage intent and was married to **Margaret Brown Park** on 11 December 1833 in Greeneville by M. Sinabrel (?), Justice of the Peace; witnessed by A. Patterson and V. Sevier. He was a tailor in Andrew Johnson's shop. When Mr. Johnson went to the state house in 1835 Mr. Morehead was put in charge of the shop. A ledger note from Andrew Johnson dated 17 August 1835 records "*Alex Moorehead and A. Johnson, settled this day there being a balance in Alex Morehead favour of \$20.77.*" There are several entries listing Alexander Moorehead and possible tailoring work that he had performed. A letter from Andrew Johnson to Mr. Pleasant M. Craigmiles, Greeneville on 6 July 1842 says, "*Mr. Craigmiles, Sir, please let Mr. A. L. Morehead*

have five dollars in your store, and much oblige. A. Johnson." A footnote (2) states that Alexander L. Morehead (b. circa 1807) a native of Pennsylvania, was a journeyman tailor who at this time worked in Johnson's shop. 1850 Census, Greene County Tennessee, page 283. The Morehead property was at the corner of Morehead (now Cutler) and Summer Streets. In 1853, part of the property was sold to the East Tennessee, Virginia & Georgia Railroad. The Mooreheads had nine children (**Newspaper clipping from the Knoxville Daily Chronicle 1 September 1872**)



Marriage of Alexander Morehead to Margaret Brown Park 11 December 1833

More may be found at The Greene County Pioneer, volume 9, #1 May 1993: Descendants of **Alexander Park Moorehead** (of Adams County, Pennsylvania) and **Margaret Brown Park** of Greene County, Descendants of **Andrew Park Moorehead** and **Margaret J.T. Scott**, p. 93-26

1800 Greene County, Tennessee Tax Lists, 93-62; **Park** Families of Greene Co., Descendants of **James Park, Sr.** (1765-ca. 1855), Who Came from Ireland to Greene Co., TN, Descendants of **Andrew Park** (1781-ca. 1855)

& **Eleanor Brown**, Both from Ireland to Greene Co., TN (Further Details are Provided on **Andrew Park's** Family in the May 1994 *Pioneer* on p. 6) **Contents of *The Greene County Pioneer*, 1985-2008-Vol. 9 No. 2 November 1993**

Margaret Brown Park was the daughter of **Andrew Park** and **Ellen Brown** of Ireland. Andrew Park was born in 1781 in Ireland and died after 1860 in Greeneville. His father, James Park, Senior, was born in 1765 in Ireland. They came to America in 1804. An Andrew Park shows up in the Greene County 1812 Tax List as well as the 1830 and 1840 Greene County, Tennessee census. Ellen/Eleanor Brown was born in Ireland in 1784 and married Andrew Park on 26 June 1807 in Greene County (**page 170, Greene County Marriage index**) They had six children.

"My g-g grandfather's name was George Brown Park. His mother was Ellen or Eleanor Brown and his father was either James or Andrew Park (they are brothers but I forget which I descend from). Both brothers courted Ellen Brown on the voyage to the states. Ellen Brown had a brother born the same year as she was (twin?) whose name was George. Hence the name of my g-g grandfather" (From Ancestry.com boards)

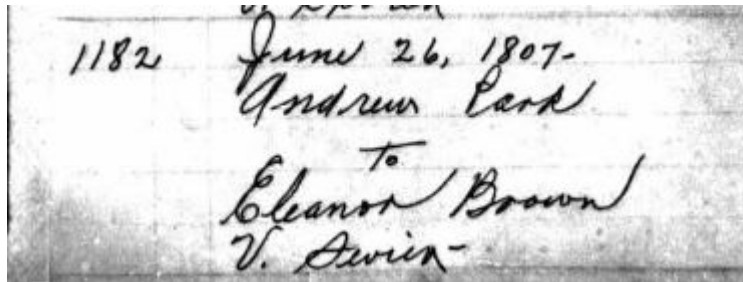
A James Park bought 6 ¼ acres of land on 20 April 1824 on the Little Chuckey adjoining the land of George and Alexander Brown (*Greene County Land Entries 1824-1905*)

1178 State of Tennessee Greene County James Park Locates And Enters Six and a fourth Acres of Land on the Waters of Little Chuckey joining lands with George and Alexander Brown and Henry Mayers there being no More Vacant land Located this 20th Day of April 1829
Copy to
James Park Locater

James Park Land Entry-20 April 1829- *Greene County Land Entries 1824-1905*

1185 State of Tennessee Greene County James Park Locates And Enters Twenty five Acres of Land on the Waters of Little Chuckey bounded by the land of Henry Mayers George and Alexander Brown and Others and Running So as to Include an Entry Made by S^d Park for Six 1/4 Acres dated the 20th Day of April 1829
1178 Located 3^d Day of May 1831
Copy to
James Park Locater

James Park Land Entry-3 May 1831- *Greene County Land Entries 1824-1905*



Marriage of Andrew Park to Eleanor Brown-Greeneville-26 June 1807-Valentine Sevier witness
 An Andrew Park, 27, born circa 1785 is listed as coming to Tennessee in 1812, but our Andrew Park is listed as having married Eleanor Brown in Greene County in 1807.

Kenneth Scott compiler: British Aliens in the United States during the War of 1812. Baltimore: Genealogical Publishing Company, 1979, page 376.

1830 Greene County, Tennessee Census, No 4, page 55 or page 181

Andrew Park would have been about 45 years old

1 male 5-9 years, 1 male 15-19 years, 1 male 20-29 years, and 1 male 40-49 years

2 females 10-14, 2 females 15-19 years, and 1 female 40-49 years

1840 Greene County, Tennessee Census, page 35, 7th District

Andrew Park would have been about 55 years old

1 Male 50-60, 1 male 20-30, 1 male 15-20/ 1 Female 50-60, 2 females 20-30, 1 female 15-20

2 people involved in manufacturing and trade.

1850 Greene County, Tennessee Census, page 143, household #87

Andrew Park	69	Carpenter	Ireland
Ellen (Brown)	66		Ireland
Nancy	6		Tenn.
James	24	Farmer	Tenn.
Margaret	20		Tenn. (Married Alexander Morehead)
Alex/Abraham Brown	66	Weaver	Ireland

87	87	Andrew Park	69 m	Carpenter		Ireland
		Ellen	66 f			Ireland
		Nancy	6 f			Tenn
		James Park	24 m	Farmer		Tenn
		Margaret	20 f			Tenn
		Alex Brown	66 m	Weaver	2600	Ireland

1850 Greene County, Tennessee Census

1860 Greene County, Tennessee Census, district 10, page 82, household #545

Catherine Weathers 40 (TN) Ann 12 (TN) William 10 (TN) Orror 5 (TN) and Andrew Park 78 (Ireland)

1850 Greene Co/Town of Greeneville, Tennessee Census, page 141, household #50

Jacob Bowers	53	Cooper	Virginia
Mary	50		Virginia
Abraham	22	Cooper	Virginia
Henrietta C.	18	(Married William H. Bolinger 28 July 1854)	

Sarah Amanda 14 (Married Valentine Sevier Maloney 16 June 1854)

Jacob D. (ours) 12 Virginia

This household also would include Solomon D. Bowers who was about 28 in 1850 and Mary Jan or Jane Bowers. In 1850 Solomon D. Bowers is 4 households away and is listed as a "Tinner" with wife Catherine 28, Sarah E. 5, Mary M. 3, Emily G. 11/12, and Harstwell Good 19-Tinner. Emily and Hartswell were born in TN. Andrew Johnson, Congressman, is close by in household #76 with wife Elizabeth and kids.

1860 Greene County, Tennessee Census, page 282, dwelling #537.

Jacob Bowers 69 VA Real Estate \$3000/ Personal Estate \$1500. Cooper by trade

Mary 61 VA

Jacob D. 22 VA Horse Farrier by trade (Married Elizabeth Morehead)

1840 Greene County, Tennessee Census, page 5, 7th District

Family of Alexander Morehead

1 Male 30-40, 2 males 0-5/ 1 Female 15-20, 1 female 5-10, 1 female 0-5

1850 Greene County, Tennessee Census, page 143-4, household # 83

A. Morehead 43 Is a Tailor-Father from Pennsylvania and Mother from Tennessee.

Margarett (Park) 38 This family lives 7 houses away from Andrew Johnson.

Catherine 16 TN

Eliza (Bowers) 14 TN

Andrew 12 TN

George 10 TN

Ellene 8 TN

Cornelia 5 TN

Nancy 3 TN

1860 Greene County, Tennessee Census, page 77/280, 10th District, household #511

Alx/Alexander Morehead 50 Master Tailor-born Pennsylvania

Margaret (Park) 47 Tenn.

Cathrine 22 " "

Eliza. (Bowers) 22 (Married Jacob D. Bowers)

Ellen 18

Nancy 15

Cornelia 12

John 9

William 6

William Boyce/Byce? 1

The **1870 Greene County, Tennessee census, district 10, page 6, family #36** lists Alexander "Moorhead" 64 (Taylor-Pennsylvania) Margaret 54 (TN) Nancy 18, John 17, Caroline 15, William 13, and William Boyce 10 (*Margaret listed both her parents as being of "Foreign Birth"*)

Cornelia Moorehead may have married **Eugene Rittman** on 14 February 1879 in Greene County.

I show, as per conversation with Granny Grant (Edith) Bowers that Lee Bowers had an aunt and uncle by the names **Wis** and **Fanny Morehead**. She called them Aunt Fannie and Uncle Cheese. They had a son named **Willy**. W.M. Morehead and Sarah Frances Wilburn (Actual record at Familysearch.org says Williams) were married by S.C. Price at the Baptist Church in Greeneville on 18 January 1880 in Greene County, Tennessee. A death certificate (#12742) for Willie M. Morehead states that he was born in Tennessee on 25 June 1892 and died from "Pneumonia-poor state of health" on 11 May 1929 in Greene County. Informant, Mrs. Fannie Morehead, stated that Willie was buried at Oak Grove Cemetery and his parents were listed as W.M. Morehead and Fannie Wilbrun (Familysearch.org says Williams) Wis and Fannie moved to Knoxville from Greeneville. William, a painter by trade, and Fannie are in Greene County in 1880 as William and Francis Morehead and are in Knox County in 1900 as W.M. and Fannie Moorhead. They are in Knox County in 1910 and 1920 as William M. and Fannie Morehead.

A death record (*Reference I.D. #2131*) shows that **Andrew Park Moorehead** was born on 12 January 1838 in Greeneville, Tennessee and died at the age of 83 on 23 January 1919 in Tuscola, Douglas County Illinois. He was a carpenter and his father is listed as **Alexander Moorehead**, who was born in Pittsburg, Pennsylvania, and **Anna Park**, who was born in Cork, Ireland. Andrew may have served as a Commissary Sergeant and 1st Lt. in Co. B, 12th Tennessee Cavalry-US, and may have married **Margaret J.T. Scott** in Greene County on 19 May 1858. They both are buried at the Tuscola Township Cemetery in Tuscola, Douglas County Illinois (Finagrave.com)

A death record (#78) shows that **Sarah Ellen Darden** was born in Tennessee on 12 March 1845 and died at the age of seventy five from "Organic heart disease" in Knoxville on 23 January 1921. She was a widow, lived at 2522 Washington Avenue, and was buried at Bookwalter Cemetery. Informant states that Sarah's father was Capt (?) Morehead and her mother was Margaret Parks. From the internet I found this post: **James Darden was born circa 1799 in Georgia and married to Ann Simmes on April 10, 1824 in Warren, County. Son, Thomas S. Darden, was born 8 September 1837 and died 4 May 1888 in Knoxville, Tennessee. Thomas married Sarah Ellen Morehead in Greenville, Tennessee 30 November 1869** (Betty Webb Tuesday, May 05, 1998-
<http://rootsweb.ancestry.com/~gwarren/queries/q1998.html>)

A death certificate (#24232) shows that **W.M. Morehead** was born on 4 April 1857 in Tennessee and died suddenly in Green County at the age of seventy on 1 November 1927. He was married, a painter, and informant, Mrs. W.M. Morehead states that his parents were **Louis Morehead** (B. Pennsylvania) and **Peggie Park** (B. Tennessee) and that he was buried at Oak Grove Cemetery in Greene County.

A death certificate (#12752) shows that **Frances Morehead** was born on 11 May 1869 in Tennessee and died a widow at the age of 65 in Greene County on 31 May 1929. The doctor said, "*I only saw her on May 17th. I suppose she died of Myocarditis.*" Informant, **Jim Wilburn**, states that her father was **Jim Wilburn**, mother was **Rena Arwood**, and that Frances was buried at Oak Grove Cemetery in Greene County.

Note: Familysearch.org has a death record (#8212) for **Jim "Williams"** who was born in Tennessee in 1869 and died on 7 April 1930 in Greene County from heart failure. His wife is listed as **Mattie Lister** and his parents are listed as **James Williams** and **Renna Arwood**. Jim was a Stationary Engineer and was buried at Oak Grove. This appears to be the Wilburn family, rather than Williams.

1870 Greene County, Tennessee Census.

Jacob D. Bowers	32
Elizabeth (Morehead)	31
Susana	8
Sarah	7
Darras?	4
Leonodus	3 (Robert E. Lee Bowers)
Thomas	6/12 November

1880 Knox County, Tennessee Census, page 115, household #152, 2nd ward.

Eliza. (Morehead) Bowers	40	Keeping house	TN, PA, TN
Dorus?	13	Son sick with "Scrofula"	TN, VA, TN
Leonodous (Robert E. Lee)	11	Son At School	
Thomas	9	Son (shot and killed 25 December 1897)	
Mary (Marguerite "Mollie")	7	Dau (married John Hopmoy-John Pitts)	
Racena (Lena May?)	5	Dau (married Wm. C. Whiteside)	

(Jacob D. Bowers had died 6 July 1873 in Greeneville's cholera epidemic)

***Scrofula:** *A form of tuberculosis, most common in children, tending to cause enlarged and degenerated lymph glands, especially in the neck, and often chronic, intractable skin inflammation as well.*

13	Eliza Bowers	40	Keeping house	TN, PA, TN
14	Dorus	13	Son sick with "Scrofula"	TN, VA, TN
15	Leonodous	11	Son At School	
16	Thomas	9	Son (shot and killed 25 December 1897)	
17	Mary	7	Dau (married John Hopmoy-John Pitts)	
18	Racena	5	Dau (married Wm. C. Whiteside)	

The **1880 Greene County, Tennessee census, page 161** shows Tillman Edmonds 39, Julia A. (Adams) 21 (spouse) William H. 13, Lucinda 11, Estella T. 4, Ross E. 3, Achilles D. 1, and Mary Bowers 77 who was a widow, born in Virginia, as were her parents. Perhaps she is the widow of our Jacob Bowers. Tillman W. Edmonds married Myra/Mira Duncan first in Buncombe, North Carolina on 19 December 1860 and Julia A. Adams in Sevier County on 26 August 1879.

The **1890 Census** records were destroyed by fire and are unavailable.

Miscellaneous Notes, Marriages, Births, and Deaths

* I'm not sure what happened to Susana and Sarah Bowers, who are found with their parents, Jacob D. and Elizabeth Morehead Bowers in the Greene County, Tennessee census in 1870. If living, they likely may have been married by 1880.

*Not sure what happened to Dorus/Darras Bowers. Familysearch.org shows a death record for an L.D. Bowers who was born in 1857 and died 24 April 1900. This is the right birth year, but does not list where in Tennessee he died. The 1880 census indicated that he was suffering from Scrofula, a form of Tuberculosis, which may have been fatal.

*Note: Mary (Molly) Margaret Bowers Pitts was born 12 October 1871 in Greeneville to Jake Bowers and Eliza Morehead and died in Knoxville at home, Route 5, on 29 March 1943 at 8:30 P.M., and was buried at Roseberry Cemetery by McCarty Funeral Home. Records show she did not have a physician or list the illness. Death certificate lists Mollie's parents as **Jake Bowers** and **Eliza Morehead**. The informant was Mrs. May Whiteside (**Death Certificate #7812**) Lee Bower's sister, **Mary Margaret (Mollie) Bowers**, married first **John Hop Moy** 18 June 1890 in Knoxville, then **John Pitts**. Ada Clontz said that the marriage of Mollie Bowers to a Chinaman, John Hop Moy, was not thought too fondly of by her family and they may have split up due to this attitude. John Pitts was born 22 April 1869 at Midway, Tennessee and died at the age of 69 from a Cerebral Hemorrhage in Knox County on 13 October 1938. Parents of John Pitts listed as unknown. His occupation is listed as a Section Foreman for Southern Railroad and his residence was John Sevier, Knox County, R.D. #5. Rose Mortuary was the undertaker and he was buried at Mynatt's Cemetery in Union County (**Death Certificate #22019**)

*Note: There is a Mary Bowers, 77, Boarder/Keeping House listed with the Tilman Edmonds family in the 1880 census for Greene County/Greenville, Tennessee. She was born in Virginia, as were her parents. This may be the widow of Jacob Bowers, Sr.

*My notes show a **Lena Bowers** marrying **Will. C. Whiteside** on 13 November 1897 in Knoxville. He may be buried at Woodlawn Cemetery as a W.C. Whiteside, 1869-1941, is listed. **Lena** was Robert E. Lee Bower's half-sister. Social Security Death Index lists a **Lena Whiteside** being born 10 August 1872 and dying in January 1968 at the age of 96. I believe her full name is Lena May/Mae Bowers. She is with Will and her sister Mary "Mollie" Margaret Bowers Hop in Knoxville in 1900.

*Thomas (Tom) Bowers was shot and he died at five o'clock in the morning on Christmas Day, December 25, 1897. The wound received by Thomas Bowers during a free-for-all fight on Central Avenue early yesterday morning proved fatal. He lived but a few hours after being shot, death relieving his suffering about five o'clock yesterday morning. All who saw the wound felt that it must prove fatal for the jugular vein had been touched and a large artery severed. Bowers was not moved from the *bagnio* of Mary Smith, alias Big Six, and it was in her house that he breathed his last. (***Bagnio is defined as a house of ill repute***) From the front door is suspended a streamer of crepe and within are to be heard the sounds of mourning. Bowers will be buried at ten o'clock this morning. Charles Kitchen was accused of the shooting.

*Elizabeth Morehead Bowers may have remarried, or died, between 1886 when I find her with Lee Bowers in the 1886 city directory and 1900. I cannot find her in the 1900 census thus far. Her son, Robert E. Lee Bower's obituary states that he had a step-sister, Mrs. Lena Whiteside, which would seem to indicate that she remarried. I don't know if Lena Whiteside is the same Mrs. May Whiteside who was the informant on Mary "Molly" Margaret Bowers Pitt's death certificate. I believe she is the same, for in the 1930 and 1940 Knox County census shows May/Mae Whiteside, sister with Mary (Bowers) Pitts.

Harold Franklin Bowers** was born 10 January 1926 and died on 11 January 1926 in Knoxville, Tennessee from a "Cerebral Hemorrhage from an accidental injury during delivery-Normal Delivery.***" His parents were **Ed. E. Bowers** and **Maud Palmer**. They lived at 415 Grainger Street.

***Robert E. Lee Bowers** also had an adopted daughter Elizabeth, who I show was born in 1916 and died in 1980. She married Roy D. Lawson, who was born in 1916 and died in 1979. Both are buried at Lynnhurst Cemetery.

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Edith Mae/May Rose married Frank Rose in Knoxville on 16 October 1910.

City Directory Entries, Knox County, Tennessee

1882	Elizabeth. H. Bowers, widow of Jacob. Tom and Lee Bowers
1884	Elizabeth Bowers, widow of Jacob Bowers
1885	Thomas D. Bowers, Newsboy, Robert E. & Eliza. Have same address.
1886	Lee and Elizabeth Bowers. Same address.
1887-88	No entries for this family.
1901	Alexander Black, works-Rock Quarry. 209 Hoitt Ave.
1901	Robert E. Lee Bowers, E.T. Packing Co., Butcher. Home 417 Grainger.
1902-3	Lee Bowers, Teamster- Knoxville Saw Mills. Bds. 10 th Ave 2, S. Harth Ave.
1904	Lee Bowers, Driver-Knoxville Saw Mills.
1912	Wm. E. Bowers, Sawyer-Holston Box & Lumber Co. 417 Grainger Ave.
1915	Wm. E. Bowers, Holston Box & Lumber Co. 500 Grainger Ave.

1916	Lee Bowers, Driver-Nickerson Mfg. Co. 500 Grainger Ave.
1916	Arlone B. Bowers, 500 Grainger Ave.
1926	Robert Bowers, Brookside Mills. 211 E. Columbia.
1926-7	Wm. E. & Edith G. Bowers, Box Maker-Holston Box & Lumber. 502 Hoitt Av.
1927	Edward E. & Maude P. Bowers, Morgan Ice & Coal Co. 415 Grainger Ave.
1936	Wm. Kenneth & Dora Bowers Davis, C.B. Atkins Co. 142 Chicamauga Ave.
1936	Robert W. Bowers, Appalachian Mills. 514 7 th Ave.
1936	Robert Lee Bowers & Nancy B., Morgan Ice & Coal Co. 314 Grainer Ave.
1941	Wm. E. & Edith Bowers, Janitor-Gillespie Ave. Bapt. Church. 514 7 th Ave.
1941	Frank L. & Margie D. Bowers, Soda Clerk-W.C. Sharp Drug Store.
1941	W. Robert Bowers & Julia M.W., Appalachia Mills. 810 N. 5 th Ave. 2 nd Floor.

1900 Knox Co., Tennessee Census, page 32 or 121, sheet A, family 647 (listed as Bauers)

Lee Bowers	Oct . 1861	38 (Teamster) 417 Grainger Street.
Nancy Ada (Black)	July 1874	25 TN, TN, TN
Edith Mae	Sept. 1891	8 (married Frank Rose 16 October 1910))
William Edgar	Jan. 1894	6 (married Jerusa Edith Grant)
Arlone	June 1898	2 (married Earl Bright 25 September 1915)
Earl Edward	2 May 1902	
Ben Daves (BO)	May 1888	12

Children of Robert E. “Lee” Bowers and Nancy Adeline “Ada” Black

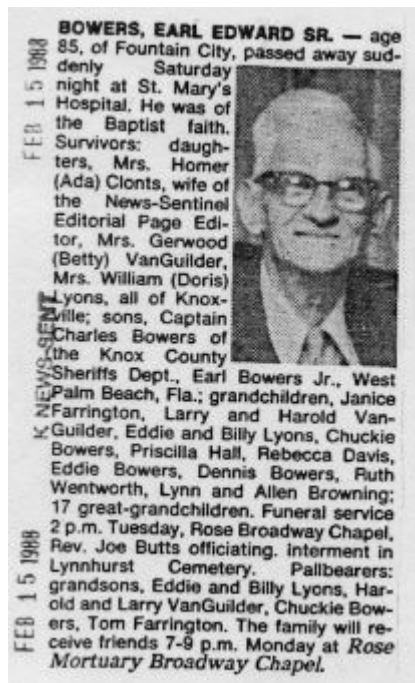
1. Edith Mae Bowers was born 29 September 1892 in Knox County and died 30 July 1970 in Knox County. She married Frank Rose on 16 October 1910 in Knox County. He worked for, or owned, Rose Mortuary on Broadway. Frank Rose was born 7 January 1895 and died on 17 February 1983. They are buried at Lynnhurst Cemetery. They had three children: Carrie Mae Rose Lee (1911 - 1970) Fred A. Rose (1918 - 2009) Robert Allen Rose (1920 - 1969)

2. William Edgar Bowers was born in Knoxville on 15 January 1894 and died in Knoxville on 21 September 1963. Mom said for as long as she could remember Paw Bowers had the nicest silver gray hair and she thought that he may have played the harmonica. She said, “He was a cute little ole feller.” Knox County marriage records (**No. 244**) show Willie Bowers (18) married Carrie May Stalsworth (18) on 30 March 1912. Frank Rose was a witness (See notes above for William Edgar Bowers, my great grandfather)

3. Arlone Bowers was born 9 June 1898 in Knoxville and died in Knoxville on 13 April 1918. She married **Earl Bright** on 25 September 1915, Knox County, License #938, Bk. 13, p. 303. Her Death Certificate (**#346**) lists her name as Mrs. Aroline Bowers Bright. She was born March 1898 (stone says 9 June) was divorced, and living at 502 Grainger Street when she died at the age of 20 on 13 April 1918 from “Enlargement of heart probably due to rheumatism. Contributory: Rheumatism” Dr. G.L. Hutson attended her from 1 March to 12 April 1918. She was buried at Greenwood Cemetery by E.B. Man & Co. Her father is listed as Lee Bowers (informant) and mother as Ada Black. Arlone and Earl appear to have had one child, Elizabeth *Bright* Lawson (1916 - 1980) who married Roy D. Lawson. Perhaps due to the divorce and her mother’s death, Elizabeth was adopted by her paternal grandfather, Robert E. Lee Bowers, whom she is living with in 1920 in Knoxville. FamilySearch.org lists Robert L. Bowers, Nancy, and Earl E. with the last name of Benner and Elizabeth Bright (3) as granddaughter. Nancy is listed as Marry H. Benner.

Elizabeth Bright Lawson was born in 1916 and died in 1980. **Robert E. Lee Bowers** adopted Elizabeth most likely due to her parent’s divorce and her mother’s death in 1918. Elizabeth married Roy D. Lawson, who was born in 1916 and died in 1979. Both are buried at Lynnhurst Cemetery. Elizabeth is living with her grandparents in Knoxville in 1930. A note at Findagrave.org by Sue Reneau Damewood states that, “*Elizabeth’s mother died when she was just 2 years old. She was raised by her grandmother Nancy Adaline Black-Bowers. Elizabeth is listed in the 1930 census as Elizabeth B. Bowers.*” The **1930 Knox County, Tennessee census, ED 0028, sheet 9A** shows Robert L. Bowers 63, Nancy A. Bowers 55, and Elizabeth Bowers 13 (granddaughter) in the household of William D. Tally 54, Nina P. 49, Helen S. 19, and Margaret R. 16. The **1940 Knox County, Tennessee census, Ward 11, District 2, household 125, sheet 7A** shows Roy D. Lawson 24 (works at cotton mill) Elizabeth 23, and Ada Bowers 67 (*widow-Grandmother-in-law*)

4. **Earl Edward Bowers** was born 2 May 1902 in Knox County and died in Knox County on 13 February 1988.



Earl married Maude Palmer. She and Ed are buried at Lynnhurst Cemetery. Maude was born 23 March 1901 and died on 25 March 1981 in Knoxville. They had the following children: Ada Cornelia *Bowers* Clonts (24 November 1922 – 3 May 2013) Earl Edward Bowers, Jr (9 August 1924 – 28 July 2004) Harold Franklin Bowers (10 January 1926 – 11 January 1926) Betty Rose *Bowers* VanGuilder (30 September 1927-24 March 2004) Doris A. *Bowers* Lyons (3 May 1931 – 21 November 1991) **Harold Franklin Bowers** was born 10 January 1926 and died on 11 January 1926 in Knoxville, Tennessee from a “*Cerebral Hemorrhage from an accidental injury during delivery-Normal Delivery.*” His parents were **Ed. E. Bowers** and **Maud Palmer**. They lived at 415 Grainger Street.

This is the obituary for Ada Bowers Clonts, daughter of Ed and Maude Bowers, whom I knew well. She was an awful sweet soul and was always happy to talk about family history and genealogy. Her husband, Homer, was a writer for the Knoxville News-Sentinel. I went to their house on several occasions to talk genealogy.

Clonts, Ada Cornelia Bowers- age 90, of Knoxville, passed away Friday, May 3, 2013, at NHC St. Mary's. She was a member of Central Baptist Church Fountain City. Preceded in death by husband, Homer B. Clonts; parents, Earl Edward and Maude Bowers; brothers, Earl (Bud) Bowers, Jr., and Charles Bowers; sisters, Doris Lyons and Betty VanGuilder. She is survived by daughter and son-in-law, Janice and Tom Farrington; grandsons, Kevin Farrington, and Shawn (Jennifer) Farrington of Florence, KY; twin great-granddaughters, Kearin and Kaylin Farrington; brother-in-law, Bill Lyons; sister-in-law, Janice Bowers; and several nieces and nephews. The family and friends are invited to attend her graveside service at 11:00 a.m. Wednesday, May 8, 2013, at Lynnhurst Cemetery with Rev. Ron Mouser officiating. The family will receive friends from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. Tuesday, May 7, 2013, at Rose Mortuary Broadway Chapel.

The **1900 Knox County, Tennessee census, ward 6, sheet 16, page 107-79, family #253** lists Will C. Whitesides 32, Lena 22, and Mollie Hop 27 (sister-in-law, born October 1872 and married 12 years) Will's occupation is listed as “Household furnishings.”

The **1900 Knox County, Tennessee census, ward 11, sheet 32A, household #647** lists Lee Bauers 39, Ada 26, May 7, William 6, Arlone 2, and Ben Davies 12 (boarder) Neither Lee, Ada, or the kids could read or write. Lee is listed as a janitor.

1910 Knox County, Tennessee census, Ward 11 shows Robert L. Bowers 52, Nancy 36, Edith M. 18, William E. 15, Flita I. 11, Earl E. 8.

1920 Knox County, Tennessee census, Ward 11, sheet 8B, household #189 shows Robert L. Benner 61, Marry H. Benner 45, Earl E. Benner 17, and Elizabeth Bright 3 (granddaughter) This is most likely the household of Robert E. Lee Bowers with a transcription error.

1920 Knox County, Tennessee census, sheet 8 shows Frank S. Rose 28, Edith M. (Mae Bowers) 27, Carie M. 8, and Fred A. 2 11/12.

1930 Knox County, Tennessee census, ED 0028, sheet 9A shows Robert L. Bowers 63, Nancy A. Bowers 55, and Elizabeth Bowers 13 (granddaughter) in the household of William D. Tally 54, Nina P. 49, Helen S. 19, and Margaret R. 16.

1930 Knox County, Tennessee census, ED 0028, sheet 9A shows Edward E. Bowers 27, Maude 29, Ada 7, Earl E. 5, Bettie R. 2, and Robert Palmer 41.

1930 Knox County, Tennessee census, ED 0028, family 227, sheet 11A shows William E. Bowers 36, Edith **Grant** Bowers 31, Dora K. 14, Robert 11, Frank L. 8, Melvin L. 5, and Harold L. 1.

1930 Knox County, Tennessee census, ED 13, family 147, sheet 8A, page 150 shows John Pitts 60, Mary 61, and May Whiteside 54 (sister-in-law) John was 18 when he married and worked for the railroad, Mary was 15 when married, and May was 22 when first married. The census shows that May is married at the time.

1940 Knox County, Tennessee census, ED 13, family 323, sheet 17B shows Mary Marguerite Pitts 68 (widow) and Mae Whitesides 56 (sister-divorced)

1940 Knox County, Tennessee census, Ward 11, family 287, sheet 14A shows Edward Bowers 37, Maude 39, Ada 17, Earl 15, Bettie 12, Dorris 8, and Charles 4. Edward is employed as a salesman.

1940 Knox County, Tennessee census, family 76, sheet 3B shows Frank L. Rose 44, Edith Mae 47, and Robert Allen 19. Fred is listed as an undertaker, Mae is a bookkeeper, and Fred is a helper at the mortuary.

1940 Knox County, Tennessee census, family 53, sheet 3B shows Wm. E. Bowers 47, Edith 42, Margaret 19, Frank 18, Melvin 16, Arthur 9, Carl Edward 7, and Fred Allen 4. Wm. E. is a janitor in a church (Gillespie Ave. Baptist) and Frank is a sweeper in a cotton mill.

1940 Knox County, Tennessee census, Ward 11, District 2, household 125, sheet 7A shows Roy D. Lawson 24 (works at cotton mill) Elizabeth 23, and Ada Bowers 67 (*widow-Grandmother-in-law*)

1940 Knox County, Tennessee census, Ward 18, District 2, Family #17, sheet 1B lists Robert Bowers 22 (Fountain Boy-Drug Store) Julia M. 22, Robert Bowers, Jr ½ and Horace Stalsworth 17 (lodger) The census was taken on 4 April 1940 and Robert Jr died on 30 November 1940 due to an orange seed lodging in his lung.

1940 Knox County, Tennessee census, Ward 18, District 2, Family #113, sheet 6A lists Kenneth W. Davis 25, Dora K (**Katherine Bowers**) Davis 24, and Betty J. (Jean-my mom) Davis 4. ***This is my Papaw and Mamaw Davis. Dora Katherine Bowers was the daughter of William E. and Jerusa Edith Grant Bowers. My papaw worked for as a truck driver for a transit company and lived beside Melvin and Maude Davis.***

1940 Knox County, Tennessee census, Ward 11, District 2, Family #125, sheet 7A lists Roy D. Lawson 24 (worked at cotton mill) Elizabeth (Bright) 23, and Ada Bowers 67 (grandmother-in-law-widow of Robert E. Lee Bowers)