

LIST OF FAMILIES THAT LIVED DOWN THE RIVER FROM PITTMAN CENTER AND LAUREL BRANCH  
ALSO THE KING HOLLOW. THIS IS BY NO MEANS ALL THE FAMILIES, JUST THE ONES LEARNED  
ABOUT WHEN RESEARCH WAS DONE BY THE COMMITTEE.

Milas and Nancy Smelcer Green

1. Jack married Dixie Ogle
2. John married Bonnie Brown
3. Greenberry married Mildred ?
4. Woodrow married Janie Fowler
5. Pawnee married Dewey Whaley
6. Levie married Theodore Valentine
7. Millie Jane married Berry McMahan
8. Addie married Bart Lindsey
8. Charlie married Lillie Cowden
10. Minnie married Isaac Whaley
11. Rosa married John Campbell

Jake and Cindy Williamson Smelcer

1. Lona married Jesse Williams
2. Richard married Una Brown
3. Loy married Bonnie Seagle
4. Lura married Joe Sizemore
5. Bessie married Orvil Parton
6. Lavator married Nina McMahan
7. Trula married Lloyd Brown
8. Velvie married Hubert Sizemore
9. Earl married Dorothy Carr
  1. Linda married Ronnie Key
  2. Earlene married Ray Shults
10. Vernice married Manuel Branch
11. Claude married Edna Baxter
12. J. D. unmarried
13. Lawson married Otie Myers

Lloyd and Rosetta Brown Seagle

1. Robert married Sylvia McCarter
2. Bonnie married Loy Smelcer
3. Everet married Grace McCarter
4. Carroll married Diana Clabo
5. Clarence married Eva King
6. Ethel married Leonard Parton
7. Lucile married Dan Sunderland
8. Wayne married Lillian Breeden
9. Frank unmarried
10. Clyde married Faye Maples

Jeams (Jim Bob) and Delia Ramsey Whaley

1. Roy married Zelma Huskey
2. Allen married Phyllis Franklin

Lillie Whaley and Horace Lindsey

(This family moved to Laurel after the death of  
Mr. Lindsey and Lillie had married Frank Day)

1. Zora married Bill Burchell
2. Leola married Richard Whaley
3. Herman died while yet young 14 years

Bill and Zora Lindsey Burchell

1. Ruth married Scott Large
2. Rahma married Jim Knight
3. Naomi married Robert Thomas, Jr.

Rev. Melvin and Eunice Watson Carr

1. Ruth married Larry Miller
2. Mary married James Lambert
3. Danny died while in service of his country

Arthur and Lillie Smelcer Watson

1. Roy married Kittie Price
2. Ephriam unmarried
3. Ray married Lucile McMahan
4. Floyd married Grace Justus
5. Eunice married Rev. Melvin Carr
6. Delmar married Margaret Byrd.
7. Ozell married Wilma Hodge
8. Frances unmarried
9. Valarie married Edd Cole
10. Beulah married Dwight McMahan
11. Ruby married Ernest Kerr

Lee and Pearl Reagan Carr

1. Jesse married Henrietta Whaley
2. Melvin married Eunice Watson
3. Bess married Raymond King
4. Dorothy married Earl Smelcer
  1. Linda married Ronnie Key
  2. Earlene married ?
  3. Juanita married Ray Shults
5. Forest married Laura Bohanon
6. Cressie married Chester Marcum
7. Evelyne married Frank Myers

Pearl Reagan Carr Married Wiley King

1. Jimmy married Connie O Dell
2. Beulah married Johnny Owens

Raymond and Bess Carr King

1. Bob married Edna Boling
2. Stella married Harold Caughorn
3. Bennie married Carolyn Whaley
4. Johnny married Karen Rumbly
5. Tommy died while yet a young man

Virgil and Ethel King Whaley

1. Wendell married Clara Bell Whaley
2. Lowell married Bonnie McMahan
3. Jerry married Carolyn Large
4. Linda married Andy Agnew
5. Jeffery unmarried

Jesse and Henritta Whaley Carr

1. Mona married Ralph Maples
2. Dana married Teresa Bible
3. Larry married Brenda Phillips
4. Stanley married Loretta Blalock
5. Jeff unmarried
6. Brenda married Charlie Inman
7. Roma married Eddie Tinker
8. Vickie married Sam King
9. Terry married Luther Whaley
10. Gary married Rebecca Whaley

Richard and Leola Lindsey Whaley

1. Wallace married Bonnie Finchum
2. Bonnie married Blaine Justus
3. Gordon married Rebecca Weaver
4. Lena married Dean Campbell
5. Henritta married Jesse Carr
6. Geneva married Lloyd Franklin
7. Bill died while yet a young man

Lloyd and Louisa Whitted Valentine

1. Ernest married Algie Knight
2. Rena married Jake Owens
3. Avie married Luther Williams
4. Sanberry married Mae Lindsey
5. Sarah married Ralph Gilbert
6. Theodore married Leva Green
7. Dollie married Herbert Ownby
8. Henderson married Bonnie Cogdill
9. Exa married Cleo McMahan
10. Wesley married Edna Lindsey
11. Ora married Earl Parton

Dave and Mary Ogle Smelcer

1. Clifford married Olive Huskey
2. Herman married Mayme Whaley
3. Sylvia married Millard Williams

Jim and Gusty Whitted Smelcer

1. Dave married Nellie Whaley
2. Crettie married Hubert Dixon
3. Cecil married Hugh Ownby
4. Betty married Earl McCarrell
5. Gertie married Ulse Cogdill

Hubert and Crettie Smelcer Dixon

1. Wanda married Don Jones

Tom and Nancy Williamson Dixon

1. Hubert married Crettie Smelcer
2. Horace married Mary Webb
3. Odie married Horace Manis
4. Nora married Elmer Manis

Wesley and Edna Lindsey Valentine  
Wesley Valentine is the son of Lloyd and  
Louisa Whitted Valentine - Edna daughter of  
Bart and Addie Green Lindsey.

1. George married Annita Oakley
2. Jean married Edd Bohannon
3. Harry married Sara Ogle
4. Ray married Helen Whaley
5. Mary Sue Married Jack Large
6. Nancy married Willie Taffer
7. Francis married Bill Lewelling
8. Joanne married Carol Graves

Marshall and Martha Elizabeth Ogle Bohannon  
Marshall is the son of James and Mary Lamons Bohannon  
Martha Elizabeth is the daughter of Lewis and Lucinda Sutton Ogle

1. Robert Murphy married Patty Leon
2. Betty Jean married Jay W. Rhyne, Jr.
3. Roy Edgar (Edd) married Jean Valentine
4. Billie Joe (Bill) married Billie Lynn Dixon
5. Frank George married Ernestine Rose
6. Mary Helen married James C. Johnson
7. Carl Ray married Leaetta Carrol
8. Ricky Murrell married Peggy Gibson

Leonard and Ethel Seagle Parton  
Leonard is the son of Alfred and Sarah Ramsey Parton  
Ethel is the daughter of Lloyd and Rosetta Brown Seagle

1. Kenneth married Zula Holt
2. Ben L. married Judy Williams
3. Patsy married Frank Lamons

Adam J. (Bud) and Alpha Ogle King Smelcer  
Adam J. was born 1858 no data on his parents  
Alpha Ogle was the daughter of Nathaniel and Alpha Ogle b 1859  
This couple was married December 15, 1877.

1. Nancy married Milas Green
2. Jake married Cindy Williamson
3. Lillie married Arthur Watson
4. Dave married Mary Ogle
5. Jim married Gusty Williamson
6. Ephriam married Crettie Ownby
7. Richard married Charity Ownby
8. John married Grace Martin

Andy and Jane Valentine Spence  
1. Martha married Samuel (Jack) Dockery

2. Grace married Treeva Riley
3. Dot married Tilda Knight
4. Roy married Eulala Ramsey
5. Glenn married Thelma Shifflet
6. Jessie married Bill Kratzer
7. Mame married E. T. Nelson
8. Mynatt married Nelle Maples
9. Lon married Clara Bellere



Leander and Nancy Ogle Knight

1. Lynn married Bessie Griffin
2. Mary M. married Trolley Parrott
3. Arthur (Tock) married Autrie Branch
4. Tilda married Dot Spence
5. Clifford (Jim) married Rahama Burchell

Cleo and Exa Valentine McMahan

1. Myrl married James (Bud) Messer
2. Harry married Miriam Rule
3. James (Jimmie) married Portia Carr
4. Bon Married Bernice Clabo
5. Judy married Norman Manis, Jr.

A.P. (Print) and Tilda Ogle Valentine

A. P. was a minister in The Missionary Baptist Church  
Tilda was the daughter of Perry and Lucinda McMahan Ogle

1. Ronald married Lillie Reagan
2. Veryl married Hulet Dixon
3. Gladys married H. C. Fox
4. Ashley married Kathleen Price
5. Valerie Married Robert Williams
6. Bruce married Shirley Markem

Dallas Hicks Jr. and Juanita Whaley Price

D.H. was the son of Dallas and Nora Roberts Price

Juanita was the daughter of Walter and ? Whaley

1. Dallas Hicks III married Evelyn Shular Roberts
2. Walter married Bonita Parham
3. Helen married Charles Thomas

Dallas Hicks and Nora Roberts Price

Dallas was son of John and Miranda Plemmons Price

Nora was the daughter of Jiles and ? Robertson

1. Stanley married Lura Reagan
2. Dallas Hicks, Jr. married Juanita Whaley
3. George married Nita Maples
4. Carroll married Ruth Helton

Rev. John and Ella Roberts Fox

1. Mae married Bruce Justus
2. H. C. married Gladys Valentine
3. Thomas married Irene Smith
4. Ora Married Dee Haggard
5. Anna Kate married Clyde Williams

Rev John Fox married Elree Clinton

1. Carl married Johnnie ?
2. Caroline married James Lamon

Jessie and Zobia Branam Whaley

1. Lola Whaley married Odis Riggs
2. Nora Whaley married Verless Fisher

Mynatt and Nelle Maples Spence

1. Wayne Spence married Margaret Russell
2. Jimmy Spence married Patsy Rose
3. Wanda Spence married Gary Wilson

Arnold and Stella Howard McMahan

1. Wade married Gracie Reagan
2. Blaine married Georgia Hopkins
3. Paul Married Collene Whitehead

Ben and Zelma McMahan McMahan

1. Homer McMahan married Anna June Price

Ben McMahan married Mayme Williams

1. Wilda Grace married James Wright

Lewis and Mettie Oakley Ogle

1. Missie married Paul Newcomb
2. Gentry married ?
3. Jonathan married ?
4. Jahu married ?
5. Ada Emma married Harold Stroud
6. Hazel Ruth died in infancy
7. Bobby Bruce married ?

Rev. Seldon and Lydia Blalock Ogle

1. Iva married Mayford Roberts
1. Lucile married Virgil Noland

Iva married Frank Whaley

1. Jerry Whaley
2. Mayford married Blanche Roberts
3. Jaunita married Allen Howard
4. Dana married Ruby Lowe
5. Sam married Dora Whaley
6. Veryl married Haskell LaFollette

John and Bertha Maples Watson

1. Frank Watson married Ruby McMahan
2. Emmerson Watson married Schley Cardwell
3. Carl Watson married Minnie Maples
4. Dott Watson married Estelle Owens
5. Grace Watson married Arlie Williams
6. Nelle Watson married Bill Ramsey

John N. Watson married Ida Emert

1. Glenn Watson married Gene Thomas
2. Gladys Watson married Berl Hunt

Orrie and Eunice Howard Emert

1. Blanch Emert married Joe Moyers

Swain and Geneva Clark Shields

1. Billie Shields
2. Esta Shields unmarried
3. Anna Laura Shields married Eddie Branam
4. Dean Shields married Mattie Williams
5. B. Jack Shields married ?
6. Ray Shields married Vivian McCarter

**James and Cornelia Reed Carr**

1. Blanche Carr married Collie Shields
2. Major Carr married Vada Reece
3. Lola Carr married Fred Durdin
4. Hettie Carr married Leo Wells
5. Wade Carr married Edna Townsend
6. Della Carr married William (Bill) McCarter
7. Doris Ann Carr married John Henry
8. Earl Carr married Mary Miller

**Colie O'Shields and Blanche Carr**

1. Judy O'Shields married Howard Snyder
2. Eleanor Sue married John King
3. David O'Shields married Susie Smoak

**Bart and Addie Green Lindsey.**

1. Mae Lindsey married Sanberry Valentine
2. Edna Lindsey married Wesley Valentine
3. Wade married Helen Caughron
4. Nathan (Brownie) Lindsey married Joe Hill
5. Frank Lindsey married Grace Franklin
6. Paul Lindsey married Wanda ?
7. Dorothy Lindsey married Tip Bohannon
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**Sanberry and Mae Lindsey Valentine**

1. Rebecca Valentine married Lee Roy Manning
2. Sammy
3. Sanberry, Jr.
4. Marie
5. Avie
6. Verna
7. Young

**Rufus and Kate Quilliams Scudder**

1. Perry Joe Scudder married Mary Steele

**Rufus Scudder married Reva Quilliams Parton**

**Wallace and Iva Watson Key**

1. Sue Key married Roy Whaley
2. Ronnie Key married Linda Smelcer
3. Doris married Larry Ward

**James H. Porter and Millie M. Furgeson Porter**

1. Mary Francis (Frank) Porter married S. Ray Cardwell
2. Cam Porter married Marywill Katrian
3. John C. Porter married Bessie Crouch
4. Kate Porter married Charlie Gibson
5. Carrie Porter married George Franklin
6. Elisha Porter
7. Mead Porter married Lura Owenby
8. Gene Porter married Herman Hembree

**Columbus and Lily Whaley Parton**

1. Lona married Edd Wilson
2. Eva Parton unmarried
3. Claude Parton married ?
4. Lucy Parton married ?

**S. Ray and Frank Porter Cardwell**

1. Schley Cardwell married Emerson Watson
2. Anna Cardwell married Bill Blalock
3. Lois Cardwell married James A. Jackson
4. Mary C. Cardwell married Jesse Stamey
5. James Cardwell married Barbara Boatman
6. Ruth Cardwell married Ralph A. Szeweda
7. John Robert Cardwell died at age 5
8. Frances L. Cardwell unmarried

**Wiley Noland and Edith Myers Noland**

1. Carl married Blanche King
2. Virgil married Lucile Roberts
3. Everet married Lillard Rayfield
4. Ruby married Jack Howard
5. Betty Lou married Richard Tiller
6. J. R. Noland died while young
7. Nina married Lawrence Manning

**Callie and Laura McMahan Howard**

1. Stella married Arnold McMahan
2. Eunice married Orrie Emert
3. Lea married Milas Ogle
4. Claude married Mable Roberts
5. Jessie married Clyde Williams

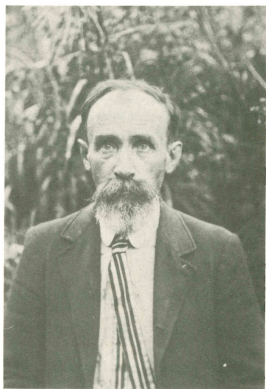
**Roy and Ora Fox McMahan**

1. Fred McMahan married Archie Ray Dennis
2. Kenneth McMahan married Juanita Dodson
3. Grace married Hal Bogart



Fording the river near the farm of Edward Branam, in Emerts cove. This was the way you got from one side of the river to the other. There were no bridges, only footlogs or swinging bridges for the walking traffic. High waters often prevented your crossing and stopped all traffic, whether horse-drawn or cars. As you crossed the stream, in the water, you kept your fingers crossed for fear the car would get stalled, because of rocks, sand, or too deep water, and you would have to wade out and go for help.

Dr. J. W. Bradshaw, one of the fine young men who came to Emerts Cove in the early years to marry a local girl. This young lady being Ellen Emert. Ellen was the daughter of F. L. and Michael Emert. The chapter "Those Who Served" tells in detail about Dr. Bradshaw's education and background. In an Obituary in his memory, written by Hills Creek Baptist Church, it was noted that he was an active member of his church as well as ministering to the sick. It stated; "the rich and the poor" were equal in his sympathy and treatment. Everyone got the same kind of care, regardless of whether they could pay or not. These words quoted from the Bible they thought fitting to his memory: "Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord forever." This document was written and signed by John P. Price, John H. Lethco, and S.S. Proffitt.



Left To Right: Iva Bradshaw, Minnie Bradshaw Ogle, Ellen Emert Bradshaw (Mother) and Lillie Bradshaw Branam. A lovely family.



Harrison and Margaret Lindsey Branam. Mr. and Mrs. Branam lived on the road to Greenbrier and owned a Grist Mill. This couple was spoken highly of by the older people who remember them. They raised a nice family: Edward Branam, Earl Branam, Charlie Branam, Alvin Branam, Ola Branam, Sallie Branam, Dora Branam and Alice Branam.



This picture shows Edd Branam and nephew, Pern Price, in front of his Blacksmith Shop. Edd was the Blacksmith for the C.C.C. Camp in Greenbrier. He was kept quite busy with the shop and his farm in Emerts Cove. A fine man, a successful farmer and a good manager.



Home of Harrison and Margaret Branam. This home, one of the nicer ones, was located near the mouth of Indian Creek. The Harrison Branam Grist Mill was directly across the road from the house.



Lillie Bradshaw Branam, daughter of Dr. and Ellen Emert Bradshaw. Lillie is a descendant of Frederick Emert for whom Emerts Cove is named.



Julia Rector. She was wife of Will Rector, mother of Maggie Price, and grandmother of Kittie Price Watson.



James and Nan Shular Shultz. Nan is the second wife of James. James Shultz was married to Laura Noland the first time and they were the parents of: Maggie, Jessie, Bonnie, Hugh, Kittie and Allie. This family lived in Emerts Cove in the earlier years.



William Preston and Pearlle Ogle Cardwell. Bill, as he was known, was the son of John Preston and Sarah Bradley Cardwell. Pearlle was the daughter of Noah L. and Mary Ann Carr Ogle. Bill Cardwell was a talented man. His knowledge of machinery and how it worked was unbelievable for his day. He kept every clock in Emerts Cove and Indian Creek running. Most clocks in that day were weight clocks. Aunt "Pearlie" was an inspiration to everyone who knew her. She was very quiet and lovely. They raised a nice family. Their children in this picture are: Flora Elizabeth Cardwell and Columbus Cardwell.



Ralph and Paul Price, sons of Sallie Cantrell & Wiley Price - they were students at Pitman Center School.





In the background is the old Harrison Branam Grist Mill. Left to Right: Eddie Branam, Mable Branam and Clyde Price.



James (Jim) Parton. He was son of Roger Parton, husband of Alice Branam, grandfather of Jimmy Reagan, Faye Stallard and Lucile Covington.



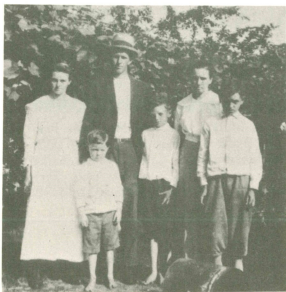
Left To Right: Earl Branam, Edd Branam, Charlie Branam, Nick Price, Victor Shultz, Lee Price. Some of the children identified are: Pern Price, Ray Price, Ruth Price, and others. Notice the fine hunting dogs, an important animal in the earlier times.



Daughters of Harrison and Margaret Branam. Left To Right: Alice Branam who married Rockford Shults - James Parton, Sallie Branam who married Garland Price, Dora Branam who married Will McCurry, and Ola Branam who married Lee Price.



Home of Noah H. and Amanda Carey Ogle. In the front yard: Left To Right: Noah and Amanda Ogle, Arthur (Ott) and wife Nola Whaley Ogle with daughter Mamie, Minnie Ogle Bryant and Lillian Ogle Franklin daughters of Noah and Amanda.



Some members of the Branam Family: Back Row Left To Right: Grace Price Branam, Charlie Branam, Sallie Branam Price. Front Row Left To Right: Fred Price, Ray Price. Pern Price - sons of Garland and Sallie Branam Price.



Uncle Dilly Cantrell: a pioneer, a very capable man who worked at Pittman for years. He lived his later years with his daughter Lona Huskey. He was a native of Emerts Cove, and Greenbrier. His brothers were well known in the area. Arthur Cantrell was a grocerman for many years. Another brother, Elbert Cantrell was a photographer and well known for his time. Many of Elbert Cantrell's photographs are still found in the communities and are well preserved.

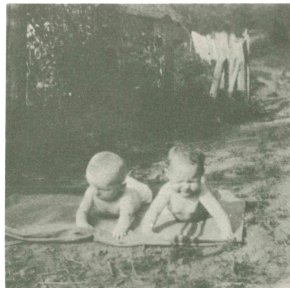




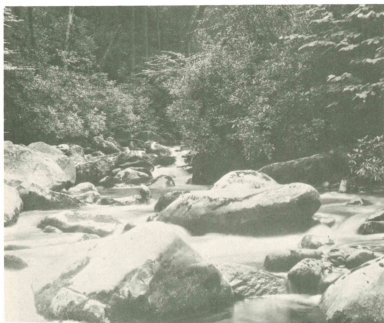
View of Emerts Cove taken from above the Garfield Scott house. At left is the Bradshaw home and barn. At the right is the John Springs home. Upper left is the Russell Headrick farm. A good picture of the river.



A Sunday School Group on the front steps of the old Hills Creek Baptist Church. Front Row Left To Right: Nora Price Branam and son, Lulu Myers Fisher, Kittie Price Watson, Glendora Parton Price and Lester. Back Row Left To Right: Lucile Stamey Brown, ?, Kate Price Reed, ?, Sara Sutton, ?.



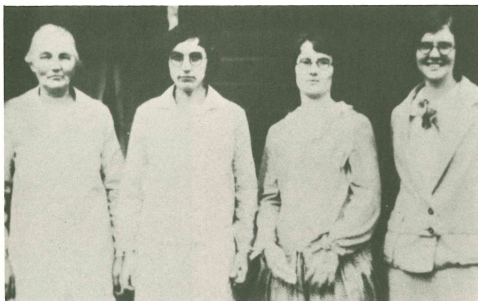
Buster Stamey son of Mayme and Claude Stamey. Phyllis Franklin, daughter of Herbert and Lillian Franklin. Buster is the one without hair. 1923.



Pictures of the Middle Prong of the Little Pigeon River as it flows through Emerts Cove. Early 1900's.



Home from School, up river. 1923



Left To Right: Ellen Bradshaw, Iva Bradshaw, Mayme Williams, Jessie Mechem, - 1928 - at the Bradshaw home in Emerts Cove. Ellen's home at one time or another was used as post office (where folk came for mail when it was brought on horseback), store, and doctor's office (her husband was Dr. J.W. Bradshaw). Ellen's grandfather, Frederick Emert, settled Emerts Cove. Her father, Donald Emert, gave land for the old Methodist Church and graveyard in Emerts Cove. Helen Wesp identified Ellen as being one of the very finest type of pioneer woman.



Miranda Price, wife of John Price and daughter of William Jefferson Plemmons.



Mrs John Price with grandsons: Raymond Taylor and Clifford Price.



Ruby Branam, daughter of Earl and Rintha Huskey Branam.



Webb's Creek School and Church



Ollie Ownby, daughter of Jim Ownby.



Mayme Ogle Stamey, mother of Buster Stamey



Mary Jane McCarter Huskey daughter of Jeremiah M. and Nancy J. Hollingworth McCarter. Mrs. Huskey is doing the family wash down by Webb's creek. The family of Jesse and Mary J. Huskey were: William T. Huskey M Alice Ownby, Mary Lulu Huskey M John Ownby, Sabra Huskey M Milton Paine, Jesse Huskey M Caldonia Mullins, J. Isaac Huskey M Matilda McCarter. The Huskey home was located across Webb's Creek in front of Pittman Center School Picture made in 1921.