

Jeffares Family

One of the earlier families of Tucker was the Jeffares family and their children attended Tucker School in the early 1900's.

This family was from a union of Cochran and Jeffares. Parazadie Cochran was the mother and Bennett Jeffares the father.

John Cochran acquired around 400 acres of land around 1850, on the Tucker Chamblee Road, between Tucker and Pittsburg. This land was a part of original Land Grants from the State of Georgia to Aaron Goza and Mary Young. Parazadie Cochran was the daughter of John Cochran.

Bennett Jeffares, the son of an Irish immigrant, came to Tucker from South Carolina and settled between Tucker and Chamblee. Bennett fought in the Civil War, primarily in the battles around Lynchburg, Virginia. He was attached to the 66th Georgia Division. He died from sickness resulting from exposure in the War at the age of 29.

Wylie Jeffares (died 1943) the son of Parazadie and Bennett Jeffares inherited the property of John Cochran and he married Josephine (Josie) Bankston and from this union came the Jeffares children, who attended Tucker School in the early 1900's.

These children were; Carl, died 1919. Clarence, died 1949. Syms, died 1914. Bennett, died 1919 at the age of 19. Irene (Hilley) a daughter, lives on Brockett Road Clarkston. Another daughter Pearl (Cofer) lives at Jeffares home place on Tucker Chamblee Road. Ruth (Nash) lives on Tucker Chamblee Road. Berta Lee (Vaughn) lives in Birmingham and another son Hansell lives in Miami. The family of Clarence Jeffares reside on Henderson Road, Tucker at the present writing.

Mrs Josephine (Josie) Jeffares is living at the present time with daughter Pearl at the Jeffares home place on Tucker Chamblee Road, and is one of the oldest living residents of Tucker at this time, she having been born in 1866.

There are no living relatives bearing the name of Cochran from the lineage of John Cochran.

Martha Nash Parks, who won the most authentic costume contest during the 1957 Centennial, is the grand daughter of Wylie and Josephine (Josie) Jeffares.

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