

James A. Landrum

The following information was gathered by Harmon Smith for use in preparing a history of Peachtree Baptist Church.

James A. Landrum is buried in the Peachtree Baptist Church cemetery. Also in the same plot of the cemetery are his son-in-law and daughter, Russell M. and Willie Lula Shirley.

1844. James A. Landrum was born October 30, 1844. (Tombstone inscription and Confederate pension application statement.) He was born in Greene County, Georgia (pension application statement).

1862. James A. Landrum enlisted in the Confederate Army in March, 1862, in Pike County, Alabama, in Company F, 37th Regiment Alabama Volunteer Infantry and served until the surrender. (Pension application statement.)

1873. James A. Landrum moved to Georgia (Atlanta) in 1873 (pension statement).

1865-1901. In his pension application James A. Landrum stated that since the War he had been a farmer, a clerk, and a carpenter.

1880. James A. Landrum appears on the 1880 census of DeKalb County, Georgia, 531st (Decatur) Georgia Militia District (enumeration district 47, sheet 5, line 24), as follows:

James A. Landrum, white, male, age 36, farmer, born in Georgia, parents born in Georgia.

Anna A. Landrum, white, female, age 11, daughter, born in Georgia, parents born in Georgia.

Willie L. Landrum, white, female, age 9, daughter, born in Georgia, parents born in Georgia. **Note:** based on age, this is probably Lula Landrum Shirley.

Lottie L. Landrum, white, female, age 7, daughter, born in Georgia, parents born in Georgia.

Sarah M. Landrum, white, female, age 62, mother, keeping house, born in Georgia, parents born in Georgia.

1894. Russell M. Shirley and Lula Landrum marriage is recorded in Fulton County marriage book H, page 377. License issued January 20, 1894, married January 21, 1894, by T. P. Cleveland, Minister of the Gospel.

1900. James A. Landrum appears on the 1900 census of Fulton County, Georgia, living with his nephew at 230 Hilliard Street in Atlanta (enumeration district 63, sheet 32, line 75), as follows:

R. S. Hilderbrand, head of household, white, male, born March 1868, age 32, married 9 years, born in Virginia, parents born in Virginia, grocer, rents home.

Minnie Hilderbrand, wife, white, female, born August 1869, age 30, has had five children, all children still living, born in Virginia, parents born in Virginia, housewife.

Lilla M. Hilderbrand, daughter, white, female, born May 1892, age 8, born in Georgia, attending school.

Walter S. Hilderbrand, son, white, male, born December 1893, age 6, born in Georgia, attending school.

Clemina (?) Hilderbrand, daughter, white, female, born March 1896, age 4, born in Georgia.

Roy (Ray?) Hilderbrand, son, white, male, born June 1898, age 4, born in Georgia.

Jewel Hilderbrand, daughter, white, female, born April 1900, age 1 month, born in Georgia.

James A. Landrum, uncle, white, male, born December 1844, age 55, born in Virginia, parents born in Virginia, grocer.

Emma Hilderbrand, sister (to R. S. Hilderbrand), white, female, born March 1867, age 33, single, born in Virginia, housewife.

Henry Hilderbrand, brother to R. S. Hilderbrand), white, male, born June 1870, born in Virginia, Methodist preacher, owns mortgaged home.  
1900. Russell Shirley and his family appear on the 1900 census of Fulton County, Georgia, living at 32 Ponders Avenue, Atlanta, (enumeration district 71, sheet 16, line 10) as follows:

Russell Shirley, white, male, born October 27, 1871 [sic], age 29, married six years, born in Georgia, as were his parents, justice of the peace, owns mortgaged home.

Lula Shirley, wife, white, female, born July 22, 1871, age 28, married six years, has had three children, all still living, born in Georgia.

Irene Shirley, daughter, white, female, born March 2, 1895, age 5, born in Georgia.

Landrum Shirley, son, white, male, born December 1, 1897, age 3, born in Georgia.

Alton Shirley, son, white male, born June 4, 1898, age 1, born in Georgia.

**Note:** The next name in the census is for Charles Shirley, living next door to Russell Shirley, 34 Ponders Avenue. I list this family since they are probably related.

Charles Shirley, white, male, born February 24, 1873, age 27, married four years, born in Georgia as were his parents, furniture dealer, owns mortgaged home.

Nettie Shirley, wife, white, female, born March 27, 1874, age 26, married four years, has had two children, one still living, born in Georgia as were her parents.

Clifford Shirley, son, white, male, born September 3, 1889, age 2, born in Georgia.

(**Note:** there are some differences between the information on the 1900 census and James A. Landrum's statements on his Confederate pension application. We tend to give more weight to the pension statements since its statement were made by Landrum himself whereas we know not who answered the census questions.)

~~1901. James A. Landrum applied on February 26, 1901, for a Confederate soldier's pension as a resident of Atlanta, living at 220 Houston Street.~~

In his application he stated that he has no property and that he applies for the pension on the basis of poverty. He also mentions lung trouble and other ailments. He says he has no family except a daughter who is married and has a family of her own. The pension records show he received his pension each year through 1904.

1905. James A. Landrum died April 12, 1905 (tombstone). His funeral notice appeared in the Atlanta Constitution April 14, 1905, page 12, column 7, as follows:

LANDRUM.--The friends and acquaintances of S. P. Landrum and family, S. H. Landrum and family, James A. Landrum, Russell Shirley and family, R. S. Hilderbrand and family, M. C. Aiken and family and W. F. Jackson and family are invited to attend the funeral of James A. Landrum, from Ponders Avenue Baptist Church at 10 a. m. today (Friday). Interment will be at Peachtree church, near Wallace's mills. Arrangements have been made to carry all who wish to go. The following pallbearers will repair to the residence of Russell Shirley, son in law of the deceased, at 753 Marietta

street: Dr. C. J. Vaughn, R. S. Hiley, R. S. Hilderbrand, J. C. Shirley,  
John Wadkins and E. S. Hilderbrand. The following detail from Camp Tige  
Anderson [United Confederate Veterans] will please attend the funeral services:  
M. J. Prysock, H. P. Foster, N. T. Gann, S. Z. Dyer, Samuel Fulton and  
Rev. G. A. Connaway, chaplain. All other veterans are especially invited  
to attend. Rev. T. P. Cleveland will conduct the services.

**Other searches:**

James A. Landrum does not appear on:  
1850 Greene County, Georgia, census  
1860 Pike County, Alabama, census  
DeKalb County deed index to grantees  
Fulton County deed index to grantees