

JOHN MARSHALL COALSON who married Mary Eleanor Shirley, and oldest child of William and Melissa Lindsey-Coalson.

Married: April 9, 1856, Copiah Co., Miss.

Mary Eleanor Shirley
b. June 17, 1837, Abbeville
Dist., S. Carolina.
d. March 28, 1928, Parker
Co., Texas.
bur. Bethesda. Parker Co, Tx
dau: John Marshall Shirley
and Matilda Eleanor Black.

John Marshall and Mary Eleanor Shirley-Coalson had 11 children, all of which will have their separate sections except Willie, the first born, and Luther, the 4th child.

1. Willie M. Coalson; b. Dec. 21, 1856, Miss.; d. Aug. 24, 1858, Miss.
bur: miss, at age 19 months and 24 days.
2. John Black Coalson
3. Ora Estelle Coalson
4. Luther Coalson, b. Mississippi; died and buried Bear Creek Community in
Parker County, Texas. Born prior to 1869 and died before 1874. *
5. Mary Eleanor Coalson, II, known as "Aunt Nell"
6. Alma Matilda Coalson
7. Vines Lindsey Coalson
8. : Joseph Robert Coalson
9. : Allen Holbert Coalson
10. Myrtice Malinda Coalson
11. Harriett Elizabeth Coalson, named for two sisters of Jbhn Marshall.

Some of the Civil War records of John Marshall Coalson: he served with Co. A, 1st (Percip) Miss. Infantry, Army of 10,000, C S A.

Roll call of PRISONERS OF WAR, dated Jackson, Miss., May 19, 1865: John M
Coalson, Pvt, Co C, Powers Cavalry. Residence: Crystal Springs,
Mississippi.

John Marshall Coalson was a tall man, had very light colored hair and blue eyes. He stood straight and tall. Mary Eleanor Shirley-Coalson had black hair, very blue eyes, and was slightly built. She laughingly remarked one day that she didn't guess she ever weighed 100 pounds, soaking wet and nine months pregnant. She was a devout Christian, ready to help anywhere any time. Her own story of her life is in the book a few pages back.

*. Dates on Luther Coalson: b.1866-67, Crystal Springs, Mississippi;
d. Oct, 29, 1869, Bear Creek Community, Parker Co, Texas
bur: Bear Creek Community, Parker Co., Texas,