

## John DeBerry & Annie Northern Holiman Family

The John Holiman family came to Lepanto area in the early 1920's from Montgomery County MS. John DeBerry Holiman was born in MS in 1869 and died in Lepanto Poinsett County AR in 1944.

Annie Northern Holiman was born in Bauxite AR in 1869 and died in Lepanto Poinsett County AR in 1936. Their family consisted of 3 sons and 3 daughters: William DeBerry Holiman, John Page Holiman, Upton Sisom Holiman, Bertha Holiman Hood, Nettie Sue Holiman Ray and Careace Holiman Henderson.

(1) William DeBerry Holiman born April 18, 1895 married Thelma Atkins and 2 children: Robert Eugene "Gene" Holiman and Carolyn Holiman Samuels. Gene married June Howard of Dell, AR and they had 2 children Richard Holiman and Carol Ann Holiman. W.D. was a very civic minded citizen of Lepanto serving many years as a deacon in the First Baptist Church and was a member of the Lepanto School Board and the City Council. W.D. died January 25, 1969. He is buried in Potter Memorial Cemetery. His headstone reads: Sgt. CO A 16 Depot Brig. WWI Army Mess Sgt.



John Page Holiman Sr.



Grace Lee Holiman

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(2) John Page Holiman "JP" was born July 18, 1898 in MS. He married Grace Hill Lee born January 15, 1908. They moved to Mississippi County AR a few miles outside of Lepanto and farmed. They raised 2 sons John Page Holiman Jr. born June 30, 1925 and Charles Holiman born April 1, 1928.



Johnny Holiman



Mary Helen Person Holiman

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Johnny Holiman married Mary Helen Person on March 2, 1945. They have 3 children: John Page Holiman III "Jake" (Mert Pilgrim), Mary Charlotte Holiman (Thomas) Patterson and Mark Lee (Mericia K. Guin) Holiman. Their Grandchildren consists of Valerie McGinness (Cary) Qualls, J.P. (Amy) Holiman, Sarah Beth Holiman (Steven) Holt, Justin (Brooke) Patterson, Jordan (Megan) Patterson, Lindsay Lee Holiman, Marissa Layne Holiman and Kirsten Lynnae Holiman. Great grandchildren are Darby Claire Harris, Gracie Beth Qualls, Hayden Holiman, Rylan Lee Holiman and Addison Holiman. Johnny died August 1, 2001 and is buried in the Caraway Cemetery Caraway Craighead County AR.

Charles married Mary Catherine Marter of Lepanto on June 12, 1949. They have 4 children living in MO Sharron Renee Holiman Swindle, Charles E. "Chuck" (Jamie)Holiman, Susan Carol Holiman (Stan) West and Bruce Hill Holiman.

J.P. & Grace moved to Gideon MO in 1972 where he passed away in 1973 and she died November 20, 1974. They are buried in Potter Memorial Cemetery Lepanto Poinsett County AR.

(3) Upton Sisom Holiman "U.S." was born June 29, 1900 in Montgomery County MS and died in 1984 in MO. He married Mary Nell Jones of Lepanto. From this marriage 2 sons were born, Upton Dow and John Ruch Holiman. Dow married Elaine Garrett of Camdenton MO and they have 3 children: John, Jeff and Christy. John Ruch Holiman married Marsha Meatte of Portageville MO. They have 2 sons: Jay and Cleave and lived and farm at Gideon MO. U.S. farmed in partnership with his brother W.D. in Lepanto before moving to MO in the early 1940's. He lived and farmed in the Gideon and Clarkton area until his death.

(4) Bertha Holiman Hood married G.O. Hood of Duck Hill MS. They lived near Lepanto for a time, then moved to Wilson, Mississippi County AR and later to

Brickey AR. From this marriage 7 children were born and most live in the Trumann, Poinsett County AR area.

(5) Nettie Sue "Susie" Holiman Ray married W. N. Ray of Lepanto. Mr Ray or Uncle Bill as most people called him as in the grocery business for many years on Main Street Lepanto. His first store was Ray & Holiman later to become Ray's Grocery Store. After retirement they moved to Roswell NM to be near one of their 2 sons, Dr. Harold Ray. Their older son was W.E. Ray in lives in Dallas TX

(6) Careace Holiman Henderson born November 19, 1914 married J.W. Henderson of Lepanto. J.W. along with his brother Charlie Henderson operated a dry goods store on Main Street Lepanto for many years. J.W. sold his interest to his brother Charlie and moved his family to Daytona Beach FL where he died. They had 2 children Joyce & Deloris. Carease died January 29, 2003 and is buried in Potter Memorial Cemetery Lepanto Poinsett County AR.

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