

## **Descendants of Alva L. Laughlin**

### **Families**

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### **Generation No. 1**

1. ALVA L.3 LAUGHLIN (JAMES2, JAMES1) was born 1830 in Pennsylvania, and died July 01, 1863 in Pocahontas Co., West Virginia. Place of burial unknown. . He married (1) NANCY CONNOLLY March 07, 1850 in Gilmer Co., (West) Virginia. She was born 1833, and died Unknown. He married (2) DIANA A. BRANNON May 25, 1853 in Gilmer Co., (W) Virginia, daughter of WILLIAM BRANNON and MARY PAINE. She was born 1825 in Kanawha Co., (W) Virginia, and died December 1891 in Calhoun Co. West Virginia-Buried- Road Run Cemetery, Calhoun Co. WV.

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Alva Laughlin was a Union soldier in Co. G. 9th Infantry Regiment. Alva was captured near Arnoldsburg by Confederate troops, and executed while being held captive. The exact location of his death and place of burial remain a mystery. The only memento of Alva's service and death is a Civil War medal which the family obtained from the W.VA. archives in 1985. It is said that Alva's vest was returned to his wife with a bullet hole in it. Thomas (Alva's son) was 8 years old at the time of his father's death. At one point Thomas attempted to conceal a sack of corn from Confederate troops by sitting on it. The Confederates realized he was concealing something from them and seized him and punished him harshly, which he never forgot.

More About ALVA L. LAUGHLIN:

Military service: Civil War-Private, Company G, 9th West Virginia Infantry. Enlisted March 1, 1862, severely wounded May 22, 1863, was prisoner of war, Union.

More About DIANA BRANNON:

Diana spent many years trying to collect her husband's military pension. In the pension applications she filed, many of the Brannon family signed statements swearing to the birth of her and Alva's children. The year of their marriage and birth dates of their children do not agree with the pension records. It is my belief that Diana could not read or write, and sometimes got confused about the years. It took her many years to receive any money from his pension and many of her children were almost grown by this time.

Child of ALVA LAUGHLIN and NANCY CONNOLLY is:

i. JOHN4 LAUGHLIN, b. 1851, Gilmer Co., (West); d. Unknown.

Children of ALVA LAUGHLIN and DIANA BRANNON are:

2. ii. MARY4 LAUGHLIN, b. November 23, 1853, Calhoun Co., (West) Virginia; d. November 27, 1895, Buried-Road Run Cemetery, Calhoun Co., WV.

3. iii. THOMAS LAUGHLIN, b. January 31, 1856, Calhoun Co. (West) Virginia; d. January 03, 1936, Calhoun Co. West Virginia.

4. iv. JAMES LAUGHLIN, b. November 19, 1857, Calhoun Co. (West) Virginia; d. November 06, 1888, Calhoun Co., West Virginia.

5. v. ELIZABETH LAUGHLIN, b. February 02, 1860, Calhoun Co. West Virginia; d. September 22, 1926, Buried-Otto Cemetery, Roane co., WV.

vi. SUSANNA LAUGHLIN, b. February 21, 1861; d. November 19, 1867.

Notes for SUSANNA LAUGHLIN:

Susanna's birth date may be February 28,, 1862. It is said she was the first person buried in the Road Run Cemetery.

#### **Generation No. 2**

2. MARY<sup>4</sup> LAUGHLIN (ALVA L.<sup>3</sup>, JAMES<sup>2</sup>, JAMES<sup>1</sup>) was born November 23, 1853 in Calhoun Co., (West) Virginia, and died November 27, 1895 Buried-Road Run Cemetery, Calhoun Co., WV. She married GEORGE WARREN LYNCH June 06, 1875 in Calhoun Co. West Virginia, son of GIVEN LYNCH and ANNA NICHOLS. He was born January 15, 1855 in Jackson Co. West Virginia, and died October 05, 1902 and is buried at: Road Run Cemetery, Calhoun Co., WV.

Children of MARY LAUGHLIN and GEORGE LYNCH are:

6. i. ALMEDIA<sup>5</sup> LYNCH, b. January 1876, Calhoun Co., West Virginia; d. June 08, 1931.

7. ii. ROXALANA LYNCH, b. 1878, Calhoun Co., West Virginia; d. Unknown.

8. iii. DIANA LYNCH, b. December 25, 1879, Beech, Calhoun Co., West Virginia; d. June 13, 1962, Buried-Road Run Cemetery, Calhoun Co., WV.

9. iv. ANNIE LYNCH, b. 1883; d. 1935, Buried-Road Run Cemetery, Co., West Virginia.

10. v. ORVAL LYNCH, b. December 26, 1884, Arnoldsburg, Calhoun Co., West Virginia; d. 1920.

11. vi. EDWARD LYNCH, b. February 17, 1886, Beech, Calhoun Co., West Virginia; d. Unknown.

vii. GAY LYNCH, b. 1889.

#### **Generation No. 3**

8. DIANA<sup>5</sup> LYNCH (MARY<sup>4</sup> LAUGHLIN, ALVA L.<sup>3</sup>, JAMES<sup>2</sup>, JAMES<sup>1</sup>) was born December 25, 1879 in Beech, Calhoun Co., West Virginia<sup>1</sup>, and died June 13, 1962 in Buried-Road Run Cemetery, Calhoun Co., WV. She married JOHN C. HALL April 11, 1897 in Calhoun Co., West Virginia<sup>2</sup>, son of JACOB HALL and SIDNEY STARCHER. He was born September 14, 1875 in West Virginia<sup>3</sup>, and died March 13, 1956 in Buried-Road Run Cemetery, Calhoun Co., WV<sup>4</sup>.

Children of DIANA LYNCH and JOHN HALL are:

i. MARY SIDNEY<sup>6</sup> HALL, b. January 27, 1898, Beech, Calhoun Co., West Virginia; d. May 17, 1936, Buried-Road Run Cemetery, Calhoun Co., WV; m. GUY FOSTER, Unknown; b. Unknown.

22. ii. LEE HALL, b. December 03, 1899, Beech, Calhoun Co., West Virginia; d. August 1978,

Buried-Bailey Cemetery, Calhoun Co., WV.

23. iii. ICY HALL, b. January 09, 1902, Beech, Calhoun Co., West Virginia; d. September 12, 1991, Parkersburg, Wood Co. West Virginia-Buried -Road Run Cemetery, Calhoun Co., WV.

24. iv. EVA RUTH HALL, b. October 06, 1905, Beech, Calhoun Co., West Virginia; d. January 16, 1982, Spencer, Roane Co., West Virginia-Buried-Liberty Hill Cemetery, Calhoun Co., WV.

25. v. CECIL HALL, b. May 06, 1907, Beech, Calhoun Co., West Virginia; d. May 26, 1989, Spencer, Roane Co., West Virginia-Buried- Bailey Cemetery, Calhoun Co., WV.

26. vi. RAY HALL, b. August 10, 1911, Beech, Calhoun Co., West Virginia; d. November 22, 1966, Buried-Sand Fork Cemetery, Gilmer Co., WV.

27. vii. REX HALL, b. September 10, 1913, Beech, Calhoun Co., West Virginia; d. April 09, 1987, Spencer, Roane Co., West Virginia.

28. viii. RANDALL HALL, b. December 15, 1916, Beech, Calhoun Co., West Virginia.

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