GOALS

- Research the paternal great-grandparents of [LIVING] and extend those lines (James Calvin Owens and Dora Ella Bankston, Esco Addison and Lillie Albin).
- Confirm that Thomas Andrew Jackson Owens (1848-1918) and his father served in the Confederate Army, and give any details found about their military service, including information about Thomas’s father dying in a Union prison camp, Point Lookout in Maryland.

PROGRESS

- Identified Andrew J. Owens and Martha Brown as the parents of the client's second great-grandfather Thomas Andrew Jackson Owens.
- Determined that Thomas Andrew Jackson Owens served as a Private in Company A of the 3rd Regiment Louisiana Cavalry (Wingfield’s) of the Confederate States of America. Determined that an Andrew J. Owens from a Putnam County, Georgia regiment did die at Point Lookout prison in Maryland; however, whether or not this was the client’s ancestor remains in question and in need of further clarification.
- Identified John Hayden Bankston and Mary Lydia Cunningham as the parents of the client’s second great-grandfather Lemuel Alfred Bankston.
- Located a number of conflicting family trees that claimed that the father of John Hayden Bankston was either Howell Bankston or his brother, John Jacques.
- Located memorial pages that may help extend the client’s Bankston line back to Swedish immigrants Anders Bengtsson (1640-1705) and Gertrude Rambo (1650-1705). Obtained Louisiana death certificates for nine of the client’s ancestors.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Do more research into the Andrew J. Owens who married Claudia Tyler in 1851 (and who died at Point Lookout) to determine whether this is or is not the client’s ancestor.
2. Determine if Howell Bankston or his brother John Jacques Bankston were the actual father of John Hayden Bankston.
3. Attempt to extend the client’s Bankston family line based in memorial page information.
4. Continue to extend the rest of the client’s paternal great-grandparent lines with special focus on finding possible U.S. Civil War and American Revolutionary War veterans.
The goal for this session was to research the paternal great-grandparents of [LIVING] and extend those lines. In addition, we were to confirm that Thomas Andrew Jackson Owens (1848-1918) and his father served in the Confederate Army, and give any details found about their military service, including information about Thomas’s father dying in a Union prison camp, Point Lookout in Maryland.

This report was divided among four surnames representing the four paternal great-grandparents of [LIVING] namely: Owens, for James Calvin Owens; Bankston, for his wife, Dora Ella Bankston; Addison, for Esco Addison; and Albin, for his wife, Lillie Albin. Each of these individuals was identified in as many historical documents as possible.

**Owens**

According to information provided by the client, his great-grandfather James Calvin Owens was born 21 June 1877 in Livingston, Louisiana. He passed away on 3 October (year unknown) and was buried at the New Beulah Cemetery located in Hammond, Tangipahoa Parish, Louisiana. He was married to Dora Ella Bankston but the details of their marriage were unknown. The client’s information also identified eight children born to the couple, all in Louisiana.

Based on this information, a cemetery memorial page was located that recorded James Calvin Owens died 3 October 1947 and was buried in the New Beulah Cemetery as the
client had stated.\(^1\) It identified Dora Ella Bankston as his wife and also listed seven of their children. It further identified his parents as Andrew Jackson Owens and Lavina Anna Bankston and listed four of his siblings. The memorial page included an image of the shared grave marker of both James and Ella:\(^2\)

![Grave marker of Ella Bankston and James Calvin Owens. DOCUMENT 2.](image)

Though this information was helpful, the memorial page cited no sources to back up its claims. Further corroboration was needed. A copy of James’ death certificate was obtained from the State of Louisiana.\(^3\) It confirmed that he was born on 21 June 1877 in Livingston Parish, Louisiana to Andrew J. Owens from Mississippi and Lovonra [sic] A. Bankston from


\(^3\) Louisiana death certificate, number 13-030, James, Calvin Owens, 3 March 1947, Hammond, Tangipahoa Parish, Louisiana, copy in possession of [LIVING]. DOCUMENT 3.
Livingston Parish. He passed away of cerebral apoplexy (a stroke) on 3 October 1947 at his residence in Hammond, Rt. #3, Ward 7 of Tangipahoa Parish:

The following transcription of James' obituary was located on the U.S. GenWeb Archive website:

10 Oct 1947; Sec. 1, p. 6: James Calvin Owens, 70, died suddenly last Friday. Funeral services were held Saturday at the New Beulah Baptist church in Baptist; interment was in the cemetery at Baptist. He was known as "Uncle Bud," son of the late Mr. and

Mrs. Andrew J. Owens; and husband of the late Mrs. Ella Bankston Owens who succumbed 22 June 1947. He was born in Livingston parish 21 June 1877 and moved to Hammond when 10 years of age. He is survived by six sons, Jim, Willie and Frank Owens of Baptist, Ralph of Natalbany, Oscar and John Carl Owens of New Orleans; two daughters, Mrs. Dode Hodd and Mrs. Willard Harris of Baptist; two brothers, John of Hammond and Henry of Jackson; three sisters, Mrs. Lula Bankston of Baptist, Mrs. S. J. Addison and Mrs. Eugene Rogers of Natalbany; 29 grandchildren; 9 great, grandchildren; a host of nieces and nephews.

When the United States entered World War II, several rounds of conscription registrations were instituted. One of these was commonly referred to as the “Old Man’s Draft” and was specifically for men between the ages of 45 and 65. They were kept on file not for assignment of active combat duty, but for homeland defense if necessary, and to have an idea of the at-home manpower for war production efforts.

One such registration card was located for James Calvin Owens that was dated 25 April 1942. It recorded that he was born 21 June 1877 in Livingstone Parish. It also recorded that at age 64, he was 5’ 10” tall and weighed about 165 lbs. He noted that he had blue eyes, gray hair, and a ruddy complexion with a slight scar below his left cheek. Mrs. Ella B. Owens was listed as his next of kin.

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Moving back in time, the 1940 U.S. Census showed James C. and Ella B. Owens living in Police Jury Ward 7, Tangipahoa Parish, Louisiana. They were living alone at this time as all of the children had already moved out of the household. The census recorded that James and Ella lived in a home they owned that was valued at $400. It is interesting to note that James’ education ended in the 2nd grade and that James worked 52 hours a week as a truck farmer. Ella had had somewhat more formal education than her husband, but she too had left school by the 6th grade:

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Police Jury Ward 7 was located near Hammond and about six miles south of Independence. It consisted of only two roads, Old Turpentine Road and Bankston Road, and over half of the families living there were southern Italian immigrants (mainly from Palermo). Nearly all the families listed on this census for this location were truck farmers, working primarily in strawberries.

According to the 1930 U.S. Census, James and Ella were living on their family-owned farm located in Police Jury Ward 7, along with their five sons. It is interesting to note that Ella was the family member that was interviewed by the census taker and in this instance she chose to use the name Dora E. This corroborates the client’s information that her full maiden name was Dora Ella Bankston.

The census indicated that James was 20 years old and Ella had been a young 15 years old when they married, suggesting that this had taken place in about 1898. It also recorded that all of the family was born in Louisiana, as were the parents of James and Ella:

![Census Record](image)

James C. and Dora E. Owens 1930 U.S. Census Record, DOCUMENT 8.

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Continuing back, the 1920 U.S. Census documented that James C. and Ella Owens lived on the previously described Old Turpentine Road in Police Jury Ward 7 along with their eight children.\(^9\) The census recorded that James worked as a truck farmer and that they were paying a mortgage on the family-owned farm. James’ father was allegedly from Mississippi, whereas the 1930 census had recorded that he was from Louisiana:

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<td>125, 2B-3A</td>
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<td>5 January 1920</td>
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<td>Carl</td>
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A World War I draft registration card was located for James Calvin Owens that was dated 12 September 1918.\(^10\) He was living in Hammond, Tangipahoa Parish at the time of the registration and his nearest relative was identified as his wife, Ella Bankston Owens. On this document he noted that he was tall, of medium build, and had blue eyes and brown hair. His personal signature appeared at the bottom of the page:


A search of the U.S. Census records for 1910 and 1900 failed to locate James and Ella. They were not in the 1900 census in Ward 7 with Ella’s family. Some of the Livingston Parish census records were severely faded and if James and Ella were living there at this time it could possibly explain why they were not located.

Going back in time, it was important to find James Calvin Owens living in the household of his parents on the 1880 census. As referenced by the client, the 1880 census showed James living in 9th Ward, Livingston, Louisiana, with Andrew J. Owens and Lavina and four other children. This census also indicated that Lavina had been married before, due to the presence of a stepdaughter, Alatha James. This census also tied in nicely to the World War II draft registration where James indicated he had been born in Livingston Parish that neighbored Tangipahoa Parish:11

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<td>Nancy L.</td>
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<td>Lula O.</td>
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Andrew Jackson Owens was located in the 1850 U.S. Census living in Livingston Parish, Louisiana with his own parents, Andrew and Martha Owens, and older sister Sarah. Andrew, Martha and Sarah were all born in Georgia while Andrew Jackson had born in Mississippi. This data provided a loose timeline of the family’s westward movements. Finding evidence of more children could help narrow this down further.

A Louisiana death index record was located for Thomas Andrew Jackson Owens that documented that he was born about 1848 somewhere in Mississippi to Andrew Owens. It also documented that his mother’s maiden name was Brown. According to the record, he

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passed away on 21 September 1918 in Albany, Livingston Parish, Louisiana. Based on this information, a copy of his Louisiana death certificate was obtained.\textsuperscript{14} It confirms his death date and location but his birth date was blank. It also recorded that he was born in Mississippi, his father Andrew Owens was born in Alabama, and that his mother's maiden name was Brown but her birthplace was listed as unknown. He died of pneumonia and was buried the same day in the Beulah Cemetery:

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\textit{Thomas Andrew Jackson Owens Louisiana Death Certificate, DOCUMENT 14.}

\textsuperscript{14} Louisiana death certificate, number 14126, Thomas Andrew Jackson Owens, 21 September 1918, Albany, Livingston Parish, Louisiana, copy in possession of [LIVING], DOCUMENT 14.
A picture of his gravestone was located attached to a family tree on Ancestry.com.\textsuperscript{15} It confirms his birth and death dates and shows that his name was engraved as Andrew Jackson Owens:

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\begin{figure}
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\caption{Andrew Jackson Owens Gravestone, DOCUMENT 15.}
\end{figure}
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The picture also referenced his U.S. Civil War service. It claims that he served as a Private in Company A of the 3\textsuperscript{rd} Regiment Louisiana Calvary (Wingfield’s) of the Confederate States of America.

America. This information was confirmed on the Civil War page of the National
Park Service website.\textsuperscript{16}

A. J. (Andrew Jackson Owens) Civil War Soldier Details, DOCUMENT 16.

A compiled Confederate service record was located for Thomas Andrew Jackson Owens under
the name of A. J. Owens.\textsuperscript{17} It also substantiated his Civil War service but is incomplete.


The National Park Service website also provided details about the 3rd Regiment Louisiana Cavalry (Wingfield’s) unit. This particular regiment was formed fairly late in the war – 1864 – but was comprised of pieces of other groups which had already been in existence for several years. It had previously been known as the 9th Cavalry Battalion and had been merged into Wingfield’s regiment.

The 3rd Regiment fought in a number of battles and a list was included in the project documents. It is unclear in which battles the client’s second great-grandfather participated in as his service record does not include a discharge date. At a minimum he was with the regiment between 13 May 1862 and 1 October 1862. A brief description of his military service was attached to a family tree in Ancestry.com:

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The undated photograph below was attached to a family tree on Ancestry.com and is purported to be of Thomas Andrew Jackson Owens:21

A Georgia marriage record was located for Andrew J. Owens and Martha Brown, the parents of Thomas Andrew Jackson Owens. It documented that they were married on 3 March 1831 in Jones County, Georgia:

According to the client’s family tradition, the father of Thomas Andrew Jackson Owens also served in the Confederate Army during the U.S. Civil War and died as a prisoner of war in Union military prison called Point Lookout located in Maryland.

An attempt was made to locate an Andrew J. Owens in the records of the Point Lookout military prison. The following is a complete list of all Confederate prisoners of war surnamed Owens that were buried at the Point Lookout Confederate Cemetery. It includes a man by the correct name from a Georgia infantry regiment.\(^{23}\)

A Confederate pension application was located for Andrew J. Owens.\textsuperscript{24} It was submitted by his widow, Claudine I. Owens, on 30 July 1891 in Putnam County, Georgia. It recorded that Andrew J. Owens served in Company D of the Third Regiment of the Georgia Volunteers, that he was taken prisoner on or about 5 May 1864, and that he died while a prisoner of war at Point Lookout Military Prison, Maryland on or about 7 May 1865. As part of the application, Claudine swore that she was the wife of the deceased soldier during the time of his service; that she never remarried after his death; that they were married on Christmas Day 1851; and that she had resided in Georgia continuously since their marriage:

Affidavit to be Made by the Widow.

STATE OF GEORGIA.
County of Patrnce.

Mrs. C. Owens, who being sworn according to law, says under oath that she is the widow of A. J. Owens, who was a soldier in the service of the Confederate States, and served as a member of Company B, of the 15th Regiment of Georgia Volunteers; that he enlisted in said service on or about the 1st day of September, 1863, and was in the Confederate Army up to April 7, 1864, when he was killed in the Army, he was on the Captured day of May, 1864, (See Note No. 1)

He has never returned home nor has he ever come home, seeing from his brother that was with him at the time that he was killed.

Deponent further swears that she was the wife of said deceased soldier during his term of service in the Army, and that she has never married since his death; that she became his wife on the 23rd day of December, 1859, and that she has resided in Georgia continuously since the 25th day of December, 1859, and since said date she has not lived in any other State or locality.

Deponent, as the widow of said deceased soldier husband, applies for the pension provided by Act of the General Assembly of Georgia, approved December 23d, 1859, for the pension year ending February 15th, 1864, and herewith tenders the proof of her right to receive the allowance granted by said Act.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this the 7th day of May 1864.

[Signature]

Claudine I. Owens, widow of Andrew J. Owens Military Pension Application, DOCUMENT 24b.
A marriage certificate was located that confirms that Andrew J. Owens did in fact marry Claudia I. Tyler on 25 December 1851 in Putnam County, Georgia:

![Andrew J. Owens and Claudia I. Taylor Marriage Certificate, DOCUMENT 25.](image)

It was established previously in this report that the client’s second great-grandfather Thomas Andrew Jackson Owens was living with his parents Andrew J. Owens and Martha Brown in the 1850 U.S. Census. Based on this information, we were not entirely certain whether this Andrew J. Owens was the client’s ancestor. This would mean that Martha had died in 1850/1851 not long after the census, and that Andrew had remarried quickly to Miss Tyler. More research will need to be done into this couple to verify, but time had run out for working on this line, and we were required to move on to the other objectives.


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Bankston

According to information provided by the client, his great-grandmother Dora Ella Bankston was born about 1883 somewhere in Louisiana to Lemuel Bankston and Margaret Addison. She passed away on 22 June 1947 and was buried next to her husband at the New Beulah Cemetery located in Hammond, Tangipahoa Parish, Louisiana.

A Louisiana deaths index record was located for Ella documenting that she was, in fact, born in 1883 in Hammond, Tangipahoa Parish, Louisiana to Lem [sic] Bankston and Margaret Addison. It also proved that she died on 22 June 1947. This was only a few months before her husband’s own passing:

![Ella Bankston Owens Louisiana Death Index Record](image)

With this information, a copy of Ella’s death certificate was ordered from the State of Louisiana. It provided a full date of birth rather than just a year, and matched the remainder of the information from the index. Ella was born 17 November 1883 in

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Hammond, Tangipahoa Parish, Louisiana to Lem [sic] Bankston and Margaret Addison. She passed away on 22 June 1947 in Hammond after a four-day bout of bronchial pneumonia. According to the funeral director, she was buried on 23 June 1947 in Baptist, Louisiana:

![Death Certificate](image_url)

_Ella Bankston Owens Louisiana Death Certificate, DOCUMENT 27._

A cemetery memorial page was located for Ella Bankston Owens.²⁸ It is interesting to note that the memorial page and her gravestone indicate that she was born in 1882 whereas her death certificate recorded that she was born in 1883. The informant on the death certificate was her son, Willie Owens, and it is unclear who commissioned the making of her headstone:

The following transcription of her obituary was located on usgwarchives.net.29

27 June 1947; Sec. 2, p. 5: Mrs. Ella Bankston Owens, 65, died Sunday in a Hammond hospital. Funeral services were held Monday at New Beulah church; interment was in the New Beulah cemetery. She is survived by her husband, James C. Owens; two daughters, Mrs. Margaret Hood and Mrs. Edna Harris of Baptist; six sons, James E.

and Willie Owens of Baptist, Oscar and Johnnie Carl Owens of New Orleans, Ralph Owens of Tickfaw and Frank Owens of Hammond; two brothers, Bolden Bankston and Byron Bankston of Baptist; three sisters, Mrs. Stella Lockhart, Mrs. Della Sibley and Mrs. Bell Sibley, all of Baptist; 29 grandchildren and 7 great, grandchildren. [See her husband’s obituary, 10 Oct 1947.]

An undated picture that was supposedly of Ella was located attached to a family history tree on Ancestry.com.30

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The next step was to search for a U.S. Census record that showed Ella Bankston living in the household of her parents. Unfortunately, Ella was born after the 1880 U.S. Census was taken, the 1890 U.S. Census was destroyed by fire, and Ella was married and had her first child prior to 1900, so none of the extant U.S. Censuses would have recorded her living at home as a child.

Fortunately, because we had a death certificate naming her parents, placing her in the home of her parents was not an absolute necessity. Instead, an attempt was made to locate Ella’s parents Lemuel and Margaret Addison in the 1900 U.S. Census, even though Ella would not be there. The widower Lemuel Bankston was located living in the 7th Ward of Tangipahoa Parish, Louisiana along with six of his children, obviously not including Ella. According to the census, Lemuel was married for 20 years and everybody but the two youngest girls, Della and Bella, could read and write:

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<td>Bankston, Lemuel</td>
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Continuing on back, Lemuel and Margaret were located in the 1880 U.S. Census living in the 4th Ward of Livingston Parish, Louisiana with their one-month-old daughter Ida. The young family was living in the household of Margaret's own parents William and Francis Addison along with five siblings.

A marriage index record was located for Lemuel and Margaret that documented that they were married on 26 July 1879 in Tangipahoa Parish, Louisiana.

According to Lemuel Bankston’s Louisiana Death Index record, he passed away on 30 March 1942 in the tiny town of Baptist, Tangipahoa Parish. Based on this information, a death certificate for Lemuel Bankston was ordered from the State of Louisiana that documented that he was born about 1857 in Hammond to John Bankston and Mary Cunningham. He passed away on 30 March 1942 of bronchial pneumonia and

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35 Louisiana death certificate, number 834, Lem Bankston, 30 March 1942, Baptist Rural, Tangipahoa Parish, Louisiana, copy in possession of [LIVING]. DOCUMENT 35.
hypertensive heart disease. The funeral home director certified that he was buried on 31 March 1942 in Baptist, Tangipahoa Parish:

![Louisiana Death Certificate](attachment:image)

*Lem Bankston Louisiana Death Certificate, DOCUMENT 35.*

The following transcription of his obituary was located on the U.S. GenWeb Archives website:

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3 Apr 1942; Sec. 2, p. 1: Funeral services for Lemuel Alfred Bankston, 88, were held Tuesday with interment in the Baptist cemetery. He was a lifelong resident of the Baptist section. Surviving relatives include five daughters, Mrs. Laura Rogers, Mrs. Bud Owen, Mrs. Nathan Lockhard, Mrs. Charlie Sibley and Mrs. Luther Sibley; two sons, Bolden and Byron Bankston; 38 grand-children, 48 great-grandchildren. His wife passed away in 1894.

A memorial record was also located, showing that he was buried at the New Beulah Cemetery located in Hammond, Tangipahoa Parish, Louisiana.37 His birth date of 3 July 1857 and his death date of 30 March 1942 were engraved on his gravestone.

Lemuel Alfred Bankston Gravestone, DOCUMENT 37.

As his obituary had recorded, Lem had been a widower for almost fifty years by the
time he died. His wife, Margaret Addison Bankston, was born in 1858 and passed away
on 16 April 1894. She was also buried at the New Beulah Cemetery. A photograph of
her gravestone (which appears to be far newer than 1894) is shown below:

![Margaret Addison gravestone](image)

Moving back, an attempt was made to locate Lemuel’s parents in the 1870 U.S.
Census, but it was unsuccessful. According to a land grant document that was recorded
at the Greensburg land office on 1 May 1861, John Bankston purchased 81 acres of
land located in the Livingston Parish, Louisiana. Using this information, we tracked
them down on the enumeration taken the year before.

38 *New Beulah Cemetery, Hammond, Tangipahoa Parish, Louisiana* (image and
transcription), Margaret Addison Bankston memorial record, born 1858, died 16 April 1894,

39 *U.S. General Land Office Records, 1796-1907* (image), John H. Bankston Land Purchase, 1 May 1861,
The 1860 U.S. Census recorded the toddler Lemuel living on a family farm in Livingston Parish, Louisiana with his parents John and Lydia Bankston and eight siblings, of which he was on the younger end.\textsuperscript{40} It appears that the family was fairly well off financially as the farm was valued at $4,000 – a significant amount at the time:

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Locality & 1860, Livingston Parish, Louisiana \\
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Date & 27 October 1860 \\
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\hline
Page & Family & Description & Value of Estate & Birth \\
\hline
273 & n/a & John Bankston & 37 & M & Farmer & 4,000 & 1,000 & LA \\
& & Lydia & 35 & F & & & & LA \\
& & Simpson & 21 & M & & & & LA \\
& & George & 16 & M & & & & LA \\
& & Gullant & 14 & M & & & & LA \\
& & Mary & 14 & F & & & & LA \\
& & Margaret & 9 & F & & & & LA \\
& & Thomas & 7 & F & & & & LA \\
& & Yancey & 5 & M & & & & LA \\
& & Lemuel & 3 & M & & & & LA \\
& & Jane & 1 & M & & & & LA \\
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John and Lydia Bankston were located in the 1850 U.S. Census ten years earlier living on a family farm with their five children.\textsuperscript{41} The value of the farm was recorded at $490, suggesting that John's wealth had grown steadily over the next decade:


John Bankston was also located in the 1840 U.S. Census living in Livingston Parish, Louisiana with his wife and a son under the age of five. As is apparent by the extract, all censuses pre-1850 recorded only the name of the head of household. It indicated all other residents of the home by age category and lacked any other details or notation of relationships:

A marriage index record was located that documented that John Hayden Bankston married Lydia Cunningham on 8 December 1837 in St. Helena Parish, Louisiana which neighbors Livingston. The record did not provide any information about the parents of either bride or groom.

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The client’s family tree indicates that John Hayden Bankston’s parents were Howell Bankston and Ann Hayden. There are a number of user-submitted family trees on Ancestry.com that contain John Hayden Bankston. Some of them claimed along with the client that his father was Howell Bankston (1796-1837). Others claimed that his father was John Jacques Bankston (1797-1870). The majority of them claimed that John Jacques and Howell were brothers, sons of John D. Bankston and Henrietta Coates. A document was located attached to a family tree on Ancestry.com, claiming that John Bankston married Henrietta Coats on 10 June 1778 somewhere in Georgia. It identified her parents as Leslie and Drusilla Coates, and further described how John and Henrietta had 12 children including Howell and John Jacques.

The general family group is right, though there is conflict regarding which branch John was descended from. Additional research would be required to determine his true father, but was not supported by our remaining time here.


Some notes from a Doctor Colmer's log regarding the John Hayden Bankston family were found attached to an Ancestry.com family tree. They recorded that John passed away on 11 February 1871 and that his wife was stricken by paralysis on her left side in early 1874, which subsided. She then experienced a series of epileptic fits in July 1874 and passed away sometime during the month of July 1875:

A number of FindaGrave.com memorial pages were located that purportedly extend the client’s Bankston family line back a number of generations and tie them to an original Swedish ancestor. The memorial pages claim the following family line:

- John Haden Bankston (1819-1871), husband of Lydia Cunningham (1819-1875), was the son of;
- John Jacques Bankston (1797-1870), husband of Phoeby Carter, was the son of;
- John D. Bankston (1754-1827), husband of Henrietta Coates (1760-1838), was the son of;

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Notes from Doctor Colmer's Log re John Hayden Bankston's Family

My mother, Liddy Bankston Baird, found a doctor's log in the Baton Rouge family history center. She copied all entries regarding her great grandfather, Thomas Benton Bankston’s (son of John) family.

Notes recorded follows:

"John Bankston. (Last account at page 5 & 6, Book E) 1866 May 20th (Sunday - court just adjourned)
Mileage to residence - Fetched by son, George - 21 years of age. Advice for son John Gallant - enlargement of liver - May 22nd (Tuesday) Mileage to residence - Fetched by son, Thomas Benton - about 12 or 13 years of age. Found him (John Gallant) with impeded breathing, caused as I suppose by effusion of serum into the cavities of the brain - Breathing slow but tumultuous, occasionally - (?) apparently when recumbent - Difficulty of breathing lessened when he sits up. Can walk about but cannot do so long -- (illegible) - seems to fall - is apparently unstable unless aroused, when he talks rationally. Bleed him and repeated bleeding two hours afterwards. Blister back of head and subsequently his legs. Gave injections & p-p-d. passages. Left pills of squill & calomel. Arrived there about noon of the 22nd, but did not leave till about noon of the next day.
May 24 (Thursday) Mileage to residence - Fetched by son Thomas Benton - Died (John Gallant) about 10 minutes before 2 p.m.
June 1866 - Or by this amount on account vs self in office - 25
June 23rd 1866 Or by this amount to settle - via son George - 25 total $60
June 23 1866 Son George requested me to remove a silver amalgam filing recently put in his left (tooth) -- (faded) failed to get it out--
Feb 1871 - Bankston this day called on me to go and see his father John Bankston, but I could not then go.
John Bankston died on Saturday Feb 11th 1871
Mrs Bankston (widow of John Bankston) 1874 JULY 27 (MON) Mileage to residence on Yellow Water - 6 1/2 miles sent out by son George - Mrs B was struck six months ago with hemoptysis left side, which subsided. Two or three days ago had three epileptic fits - yesterday she had six. Has been seen by Dr White & also by Dr - She is 55 years old - Left her (med) - Examined spine - could find no tender spot - Present Mrs Gatlin & c & c
July 28 - Sent out per son George (med) - Advised the purchase of a Davidson Enema Pump.
Aug 15 - (Saturday) The very hot day when the mercury was at 104, Laudanum - via Mr McMullen - present also (in office) Mrs Alg Taylor -
1875 July - Mrs B died sometime during month of July 1875 -
Dec 14, 1875 - Cr via their son George Washington Bankston as follows - one hog weighing 100 lb at $8 cents per lb - cash $2, _ $10
• Jacob M. Bankston (1739-1817), husband of unknown, was the son of;
• Lawrence Bankston Sr. (1704-?), husband of Rebecca Hendricks(1705-?), was the son of;
• Andrew Bankston (1672-1750), husband of unknown, was the son of;
• Anders Bengtsson (1640-1705), husband of Gertrude Rambo (1650-1705).

In the interest of time, no attempt was made to verify the information contained in the memorial pages. The information was not entered into the client’s PAF file as it had not been verified to be correct. The memorial pages were included below to be used as the basis of future research.
John D. Bankston Memorial Page, DOCUMENT 49.

Henrietta Coates Bankston Memorial Page, DOCUMENT 50.

John M. Bankston Memorial Page, DOCUMENT 51.

Lawrence Bankston, Lawrence Bankston Memorial Page, Document 52.


Family links:
Parents:
Andrew Bankson (1672 - 1750)

Spouse:
Rebecca Hendricks (1705 - _____) *

Children:
Jacob M. Bankston (1739 - 1817) *

*Calculated relationship

Burial:
Unknown

Created by: kevin persick
Record added: Nov 16, 2014
Find A Grave Memorial# 138830637

Rebecca Hendricks Bankston Memorial Page, DOCUMENT 53.

Andrew Bankston Memorial Page, Document 54.


Gertrude Rambo Bengtsson Memorial Page, DOCUMENT 56.\(^{56}\)

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Peter Gunnarson Rambo Memorial Page, DOCUMENT 57.57


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Brita Matsdotter Rambo Memorial Page, DOCUMENT 58.

Information provided by the client indicates that his great-grandfather, Esco Addison, was born about 1896 somewhere in Louisiana to Warren Addison and Alice Stewart and that he passed away on 15 January 1939 also in Louisiana. Apparently he was married to Lillie Albin and had two children, Reba and John W.

Based on this information, a copy of Esco’s death certificate was ordered from the state of Louisiana. This stated that he was born 5 March 1895 in Tangipahoa Parish, Louisiana to Warren Addison, native of Tangipahoa Parish, and Alice Stewart of Livingston. The certificate also identified his wife Lillie Albin. Esco died on 15 January 1939 near Hammond of bronchial asthma and myocarditis at the age of 43 years old. He was buried on 16 January 1939 in Baptist, Louisiana:

![Esco Addison’s Death Certificate](image)

59 Louisiana death certificate, number 1321, Esco Addison, 15 January 1939, near Hammond, Tangipahoa Parish, Louisiana, copy in possession of Tom Paul Owens. DOCUMENT 59.
A memorial record was also located recording that Esco Walter Addison was born 5 March 1896 in Natalbany, Tangipahoa Parish, Louisiana to Warren William Addison and Alice E. Stewart. It identified Lillie Mary Albin as his wife and it also linked to two children, Reba and Clifford Esco. According to the memorial page, he passed away on 15 January 1939 in Morehouse Parish, Louisiana and was buried in the New Beulah Cemetery located in Hammond, Tangipahoa Parish, Louisiana. Below is a picture of the gravestone that he shares with Lillie:

![Esco Walter Addison and Lillie Albin Gravestone](DOCUMENT 60b)

The 1930 U.S. Census recorded that Esco and Lilly [sic] Addison lived in Police Jury Ward 6 of Tangipahoa Parish, Louisiana with their three children. Esco had been 20 years old,
and Lillie was 19 when they were married, though now were both in their thirties. Esco was employed as a truck farmer.

It is interesting to note that Lillie’s elderly parents, John and Sarah Alvin [sic] lived next door. John was 78 years old and retired and Sarah was 72 years old. According to calculations based on their ages upon marriage, their wedding had taken place sometime in about 1892. Both had been older than usual when this took place – John age 40 and his bride, 36. The census did not indicate whether either party had been married previously.

It is even more interesting to note that Esco’s elderly parents, Warren and Alice Addison lived next door to John and Sarah. Warren was identified as a 70-year-old truck farmer and Alice was a year younger. He was 21 years old when they were married and she was 19 years old. Living as close neighbors, Esco and Lillie undoubtedly provided care for both sets of their aging parents:

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Continuing back, the 1920 U.S. Census documented that Esco and Lillie Addison were living in Precinct D, Tangipahoa Parish, Louisiana along with their two-year-old daughter, Reva.
Esco worked the family-owned farm, and his parents, Warren and Alice, were living next-door with Esco’s two teenage brothers, listed as Ellzy and Henkel. Warren and his two sons also worked their family-owned farm:

![Image](image-url)

*Esco E. and Lillie Addison 1920 U.S. Census Record, DOCUMENT 62.*

Esco Addison registered for the World War I draft on 5 June 1917. His card recorded that he was born on 5 March 1896 in Natalbany, Tangipahoa Parish, Louisiana. He was a self-employed farmer with a dependent wife and child, although he did not claim exemption from service on these grounds as some men did. On the back of the card were the results from his physical examination, stating that he was of medium height and build, with brown eyes and hair, and no disqualifying disabilities:

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According to the 1910 U.S. Census, Esco was living in Hammond, Tangipahoa Parish, Louisiana with his parents Warren and Alice and five siblings. Warren and the five sons were working the family farm and Alice and Eva were keeping house. The census taker recorded that Warren and Alice had been married for 30 years and that Alice had given birth to 9 children, all of whom were living at the time of the census. The census listed the following children living in the household along with their ages (names are spelled as they were enumerated):

- Alden (19)
- Eva (16)
- Esco (15)
- Cleon (11)
- Ellzey (7)

Ten years previous, the 1900 U.S. Census recorded that Warren and Alice Addison were living in the Police Jury Ward 7, Tangipahoa Parish, Louisiana with seven children. The lived on the family farm that was free of any mortgage. All were Louisiana natives:

\[\text{Warren and Alice Addison 1910 U.S. Census Record, DOCUMENT 64.}\]

\[\text{1900 U.S. Census (Population Schedule), Police Jury Ward 7, Tangipahoa Parish, Louisiana, ED 94, sheets 3B & 4A, household 61, family 61, William and Alice Addison,}\]
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A marriage index record was located for Warren and Alice. It recorded that they were married on an unspecified date in 1881 in Tangipahoa Parish, Louisiana.\(^{66}\)

![William W. Addison and Alice J. Stewart Marriage Index Record, DOCUMENT 66.](image)

Warren W. Addison died on 19 April 1940 in Natalbany, Tangipahoa Parish, Louisiana.\(^{67}\)

His Louisiana death certificate reported that he was born on 20 February 1860 in


Natalbany, Tangipahoa Parish, Louisiana to William W. Addison and Frances Thompson. The certificate identified Alice Stewart as his wife. A coronary occlusion had claimed his life on 29 April 1940 in Natalbany at the age of 89, and he was buried the next day in Baptist, Tangipahoa Parish:

![Warren W. Addison Louisiana Death Certificate](image)


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A copy of Warren’s obituary was located that provides additional information about his life and family.\textsuperscript{69}

\begin{quote}
3 May 1940; p. 6, col. 1: Warren W. Addison, born February 19, 1860, died Monday at his home west of Natalbany. He married Alice Stewart 10 Nov 1881; they had nine children, six boys and three girls, as follows: Mrs. Ada Thompson, Mrs. Mary Cunningham, Mrs. Eva Bankston, William, Alden, Esco, Cleon, Elsey and Henkel Addison. Besides the widow and children, there are 46 grandchildren and 29 great grandchildren. One brother also survives, Simon Addison, who is 71 and lives at Kohnke Hill. Mrs. Sam Anstead of Hammond is a first cousin. Funeral was Tuesday with interment in Baptist cemetery.
\end{quote}

\textit{Warren W. Addison Obituary, DOCUMENT 69.}

Warren William Addison’s FindaGrave.com memorial page details that he was born on 19 February 1860 in Livingston Parish to William Addison and Frances Jane Thompson Addison.\textsuperscript{70} It also verifies the information regarding his death discussed above, and shows with more specificity that he was buried at the New Beulah Cemetery located in Hammond, Tangipahoa Parish. The memorial page further claims that he married Alice Stewart on 10 November 1881 and that they had six boys and three girls.

Alice S. Addison’s obituary was also located.\textsuperscript{71}

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The memorial page included the following photograph of the shared gravestone for Warren William Addison and Alice Stewart that substantiates their birth and death dates:72

The next step was to search for Warren living in the household of his parents as a child. Warren was located in the 1880 U.S. Census living with his parents William and Francis Addison in the 4th Ward of Livingston Parish, Louisiana. The household included five of Warren’s siblings including his younger sister, Margaret, along with her husband, Lemuel Bankston, and their infant daughter, Ida. (In research thus far, we determined that Warren was the client’s second great-grandfather on the Addison line and his older sister Margaret was his second great-grandmother on the Bankston line).

The 1870 U.S. Census recorded that William and Frances Addison were living in the 11th Ward of the Livingston Parish with their eight children. According to the census, everybody in the family was born in Louisiana:

![William and Francis Addison 1880 U.S. Census Record, DOCUMENT 73.](image)


**Locality**

1870, 11th Ward, Livingston Parish, Louisiana

**Date**

21, 22, 24, 27 June 1870

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A search for William and Frances in the 1860 U.S. Census was unavailing. The 1860 U.S. census for Livingston Parish is severely faded and most of it was illegible. The inability of indexers to read the document properly could explain why the family was not located.

The 27 January 1912 edition of the *New Orleans Item* newspaper included a short article about Mr. and Mrs. W[illia]m A. Addison that claimed that they were possibly the largest family in Tangipahoa Parish with 10 children, 87 grandchildren, 76 great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren.\(^75\)

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The FindaGrave.com memorial page for the Reverend William Addison stated that he was born on 22 November 1833 in Louisiana and passed away on 19 June 1913 in Tangipahoa Parish, Louisiana. It did not identify his parents but did list Frances Jane Thompson as his wife. It further identified three children; Warren William Addison, Ethel Exann Addison Cowan, and Simon Kenneth Addison. He was buried in the New Beulah Cemetery located in Hammond, Tangipahoa Parish:

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Frances Jane (Thompson) Addison’s headstone and memorial page showed that she was born on 22 January 1825 in St. Tammany Parish, Louisiana and passed away on 21 September 1916 in Hammond Tangipahoa Parish.\(^7^7\) She was also buried at the New Beulah Cemetery:

Based on this information, a Louisiana death certificate was obtained for Frances. Widow Francis [sic] Addison was born in St. Tammany Parish to William Thompson and M. Milligan. Her birth date was not given, which means that the informant probably did not know it. She passed away on 22 September 1916 in Hammond of senility at the age of 91. This is a day later than the date listed on her headstone, and the certificate is probably the more accurate of the two, since the medical side of the form (including date and time of

78 Louisiana death certificate, number 17938, Francis Addison, 22 September 1916, Hammond, Tangipahoa Parish, Louisiana, copy in possession of [LIVING]. DOCUMENT 78.
death) was filled out by an attending doctor rather than a family member. It notes that she was buried on 24 September 1916 at the New Beulah Cemetery:

Frances Addison Louisiana Death Certificate, DOCUMENT 78.

Albin

Information provided by the client indicates that his great-grandmother Lillie Albin was born on 27 February 1897 in Louisiana and that she passed away in Hammond, Tangipahoa Parish sometime in November 1967.

The FindaGrave.com memorial page for Lillie Mary (Albin) Addison shows that she was born on 27 February 1897 in Springfield, Livingston Parish, Louisiana to John A. Albin and 63
Sarah Rachael Gill. She passed away on 19 November 1967 in Hammond, Tangipahoa Parish, and was buried at the New Beulah Cemetery as so many others of the client's family had been:

The 1900 U.S. Census verified that Lillie was living with her parents John A. and Sarah R. Albin in the Police Jury Ward 4 of Livingston Parish, Louisiana along with three older
siblings on a farm the couple owned.\textsuperscript{79} The census taker recorded that John and Sarah had been married for 13 years and that Sarah had given birth to five children. Only four of those were living at the time of the census:

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An attempt was made to locate John in the 1880 and 1870 U.S. Census records but both were fruitless. Instead, he was finally found in the 1860 U.S. Census living with his parents J.B. and Elizabeth Albin in District 2 of Scott County, Mississippi along with five older siblings.\textsuperscript{80} According to the census, J.B. was from Kentucky, Elizabeth was from South Carolina, and all of their children were born in Mississippi:


A search for J.B. and Elizabeth Albin in the 1850 U.S. Census produced some interesting results. The census taker in Newton County, Mississippi recorded all of the children in the household but did not record J.B. or Elizabeth. In fact, 11-year-old Mary Albin was in place as the head of the household. It is unclear why the census taker might have done this because surely the children were not living alone with Mary in charge. It was thought that perhaps there was a previous page missing, or that the census papers were loose and had been compiled out of order, but this was not the case. For whatever reason, no parents were listed anywhere near their children.

A Louisiana death index record was located for John A. Albin,\(^82\) which subsequently led to the ordering of his full death certificate. He died on 9 August 1931 in Tangipahoa Parish, Louisiana, victim to diseases of both his kidneys and heart incident to old age. Born on 11 February 1852 in Newtown [Newton] County, Mississippi,\(^83\) the certificate documented that his own father (whose name was unknown to the family informant) was originally from Kentucky. His mother’s maiden name was given as Abney but her birthplace was similarly marked “D[on’t] K[now].” John was survived by his wife Sarah Gill. The undertaker noted that he was buried on 10 August 1931 in the Beulah Cemetery located in Hammond, Louisiana:

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\(^83\) Louisiana death certificate, number 11588, John A. Albin, 9 August 1931, Natalbany, Tangipahoa Parish, Louisiana, copy in possession of [LIVING]. DOCUMENT 84.
John’s memorial page claimed that he was the son of James B. Albin and Elizabeth Abney.\textsuperscript{84} Without source citations, though, we would need more proof.

A Louisiana death index record was located for Sarah Rachael Albin, John’s wife. She died on 3 December 1932 in Tangipahoa Parish, Louisiana. Her death certificate did not list her date of birth but it noted that she was born near Springfield, Livingston Parish, Louisiana to

Tom Gill and Miss Kinchen, whose first name was not given. The certificate stated that Tom was from Mississippi and his wife was a native of Louisiana.

Sarah passed away on 3 December 1932 of influenza at the age of about 77 years old. (No attempt was made to list an actual birthdate). She was buried at the Beulah Cemetery on 4 December:

Sarah Rachael Gaill Albin’s memorial page did list a birthdate – at least, a partial one. It recorded that she was born sometime in October 1855 in Springfield, Livingston Parish

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86 Louisiana death certificate, number 15137, Sarah Rachael Albin, 3 December 1932, Natalbany, Tangipahoa Parish, Louisiana, copy in possession of [LIVING]. DOCUMENT 87.
Louisiana. Her death data was in agreement with that given on the death certificate, but the user-submitted information did not link her to either of her parents.

Sarah Rachael Gill Albin Memorial Page, DOCUMENT 88.

Conclusions

At this point, our time for research had concluded. During this session, significant progress was made toward meeting the client’s goals and extending the family lines of his paternal great-grandparents, James Calvin Owens and Dora Ella Bankston, Esco Addison and Lillie Albin.

A compiled Confederate Service Record was located for Thomas Andrew Jackson Owens documenting that he served in the U.S. Civil War as a private in Company A of the 3rd Regiment Louisiana Calvary (Wingfield’s) of the Confederate States of America. His death certificate was obtained from the state of Louisiana which identified his father as Andrew Owens from Alabama and also identified his mother’s maiden name as Brown.

The question of whether or not the client’s Andrew died as a prisoner-of-war was not definitely answered, but evidence was found suggesting that a man by the same name from a Georgia regiment did perish at Point Lookout. Because of other details gained from this man’s pension file such as an unexpected wife, more research will need to be done to conclusively say whether this is the right man, or another one with a similar background.

A Louisiana State death certificate was obtained for Lemuel Alfred Bankston that named John Hayden Bankston and Mary Lydia Cunningham as his parents. A number of conflicting family trees on Ancestry.com claim that the father of John Hayden Bankston was either Howell Bankston or his brother, John Jacques. Due to time constraints, this conflict was not resolved during this research session. A group of memorial pages were located that purportedly extend the client’s Bankston family line back three more generations to Anders Bengtsson (1640-1705) and Gertrude Rambo (1650-1705) immigrants from Sweden.

It is recommended that these issues detailed above be resolved with further investigation and research time. Finally, we would suggest extending the rest of the client’s paternal great-grandparent lines with special focus on finding possible U.S. Civil War and American Revolutionary War veterans.
Researching your family line has proven both interesting and challenging. You have a strong family heritage, one to be proud of. We believe that the prospects for identifying the family lines of your paternal great-grandparents are excellent. It has been a pleasure and we look forward to working with you again in the future.

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