

He married in Henry county 1836, which is the earliest record found concerning him. He was a farmer all his life, and owned land on Home (Holm's) Creek, near Axton, at Boxwood, Va., which is near the Henry-Pittsylvania-Rockingham N.C. line. After the Civil War he moved to Montgomery County, then across the New River into Pulaski County, Va. Most of his children followed him. He purchased land on the New River, several miles from Radford. Most of it is now covered by the waters of Claytor lake. He died ca, 1892. After his death his wife lived on alone at the farm. She died a few years later. Both were buried on the farm.

His wife Eliza (not Elizabeth) F. Barker, was the daughter of Allen Barker and Isbell McDaniel, who was the daughter of ? and Sally McDaniel. See Allen Barker's will, 1866.

There children were:

James Garland b.30 Oct.,1837, died in Henry County, during or shortly after the Civil War, md. 12 Jan.1858 Louisa Jane Barker, the daughter of James Madison and Mary Ann Barker. Their children were: John Riley (b.22 Feb.1859 - d.1936), William Munroe (b.13 Nov.1861 - d. unmd.), Mollie Jo.

James Garland Nance was always called by his nickname "Crockett". Today his descendants know him by this name only, After his death Louisa Jane (Barker) Nance md. 2nd Josiah Price.

Harden b.20 Oct.1839, died Oct.1862 unmd. He was a soldier in the C.S.A. After the Battle of Winchester, Va., he returned home on a furlough. While there he died of the measles. the Army wished to exhume his body for identification as many tricks were used to evade service.

John Allen b.12 Jan.1842. Died in Pulaski County, Va. md. 1st 1860 Zenah McDaniel, daughter of William and Rebecca McDaniel. md. 2nd 1913 Victoria Helton, in Pulaski. No children by either marriage.

Charles b.30 Oct.1844. md. 1866 in Henry Co., Pauline Price, the daughter of Jessee and Susan Price. Lived for awhile in Henry County, moved to Pulaski, Va., then to Texas, where he died. His children were:

William md. Gilly Elkins	James Robert
John Allen (unmd.)	Noridge
Sally A. md. ? Reid	Alice md. ? Young
Eliza md. George Mannings	Rachel md. ?
Jessee md. Lou Emma Owens	

Elkanah (Alcamo) b.29 Mar.1846, died 27 Feb.1913, at Radford. This is my grandfather. He was named for a very popular Primitive Baptist preacher, Elkanah Turner, in Henry County, Always signed his name A. Nance. let md. Sarah Price, sister of Paulin, who md. his brother Charles. Children by her: Jessee Booker b.1869, died young, unmd. John Pleasant b.1871, unmd., killed train wreck Joseph Crockett b.1872, d.8 Feb.1942