6 Richard Cooper Name: Abt. 1801 Born: Albemarle Co Virginia in: 13 Oct 1839 Died: Madison Co Alabama in: M

Family Group Sheet

James Cooper Child: Abt. 1793 Born: Virginia in: 07 Dec 1834 Died: Madison Co Alabama in: William Cooper - Natural Relationship with Father: Mary Quisenberry - Natural Relationship with Mother: Address and Phone(s) Medical

Notes

James Cooper was born about 1793 in Orange Co Virginia. He came to Madison county Alabama about 1818/19 with other family members. James first bought a quarter section of land. This land was located near the Tennessee River. James built a two story plantation home from bricks brought by boat from Chattanooga, Tennessee. This was the home he would share with his bride, Charity Allison, they were married March 3, 1832. She was born in Ireland about 1801, she came to the United States as a young child. She was the daughter of William Allison.

In 1830, Jame's fortune increased, he bought for \$800.00, three quarters of an adjoining section from Rodah Horton. Four years later, through a deal with Charles G Bowen, covered by four notes, he added one quarter of still another section. Then came his death, through suicide, on December 7, 1834, the same year of his purchase from Bowen. Just what influenced him to take his own life, whether money matters, troubles with his wife or despondency over his health, is not known. On this day, cold for the method of dying he chose, he walked the mile to the banks of the Tennessee River, fastened an iron pot over head, and jumped into the river. His will made in June 1834, left the majority of his property, estimated at nearly \$12,000.00, to his wife. Her share included his real estate, his cotton crop, valued at \$2470.51 and 18 slaves, appraised at \$10,000.00. She also was bequeathed all cattle, horses and household furniture. He further specified that \$500.00 should be given to each of his sisters, Mary Wall, Nancy Veatch and Elizabeth Ross. His father was to receive \$75.00 annually as long as he lived. Charity Cooper continued to run the plantation. She later married a man named Houston Lee. The plantation was sold in the 1860's. The 170+ year old plantation home still stands on the Redstone arsenal, Huntsville Alabama.

Charity Cooper Lee died in March 1872. James and Charity had no children.

Marriage Information

Charity Allison Wife: 03 Mar 1832 Married: Married Beginning status: Madison Co Alabama in:

Family Group Sheet Moses Quisenberry Husband: 1748 Born: Virginia in: