

MONTE VERDI FAMILY SLAVES

The Devereux Family Papers survived the plundering of the Civil War because the plantation was not destroyed. After the death of Sarah Devereux-Garrison, the family deposited them in University of Texas archives (Dolph Briscoe Library). Fortunately, for Texas History, Julien Sidney Devereux and his descendants have preserved the writings and names of slaves as they are recorded in the diary kept by his father John William Devereux, and those written by himself in the Records of the Devereux Family Papers.

“And for greater certainty, I here give the names of the slaves mentioned...”

Aron, Allen, Almina, Amey, Amey [Little], Amos, Anna [1,] Anna JR, Anderson [1,] Anderson [2], Anthony, Arthur, Betty, Bill, Caroline, Charlotte, Cynthia, Cyrus, Daniel, Dennis, Eliza, Diana, Emaline, Emelissa, Frances, Frank, George, Green, Harrison, Henry, Hugh, Isaac, Jack [Little], Jane, Jesse, Jesse [Little], Jim, Jincy, Jinny, Joanna, Joe, John, Judy, Julia, July, Katy, Kizzy, Leven, Lewis, Lewis (Infant), Louisa, Lucius, Mahala [Helen], Mariah (Eliza Henry), Maria (Lewis), Martha, Martin, Mason, Matilda, Melba, Mindah, Nelson, Peniah, Peter, Phebe, Phillis, Randal, Rhoda, Richard, Robert, Rolly, Sam, Sarah, Scott, Stephen, Tabby Sr, Tabby [Little], Tom, Walton, Willis

The names of the former slaves are recorded in the 1870-1900 U. S. Census records using their adopted surnames: ANDERSON, AUSTIN, BAGLEY, BALL, BLANTON, BONE, BOOKER, BOWENS, BRADLEY, BRANTLEY, CADDELL, CAIN, CARY, COOPER, COSS, CRAWFORD, DANIELS, FLY, FREENY, FREEMAN, GARRISON, HARRIS, HIGHTOWER, HENRY, JOHNSON, JORDAN, JULY, LANDRUM, LEWIS, LINTHECUM, LOFTIS, MCDANIEL, MINTER, NORMAN, OWENS, PENDLETON, POLK, PRUITT, PUNCH, RICHARDS, ROBERTSON, ROBINSON, SESSIONS, SMITH, SPENCER, STURNS, TILLEY, TIPPS, TOLER, VANZANDT, WILLIAMS, WYATT and others...

These 80 names of [200 plus] former slaves of Monte Verdi Plantation in Rusk County, Texas are recognized for their contributions to the past, present and future of the region, state, and the nation.
(Marker (18RK02) text as submitted to THC by the TexasSHIP narrator...)

RESOURCES:

Book: Winfrey, Dorman H., “Julien Sidney Devereux and his Monte Verdi Plantation” Waco (Texian Press) 1962, the Will of Julien Devereux, p. 142

Probate Records: Rusk County list the names of the eighty slaves as they were recorded in 1856 in the Estate of Julien Sidney Devereux Deceased - Abstract of Title NO 33842-WILL & CODICIL Dated May 7, 1852; RECORDED in “UNINDEXED” Probate Recs Vol. G, Page 344; VM 376. And in FILE #456 (E) INVENTORY [80 SLAVES by Name] – Pages 11-17, 19 and 21-23 Rusk County Clerk’s Office, Henderson, TX.

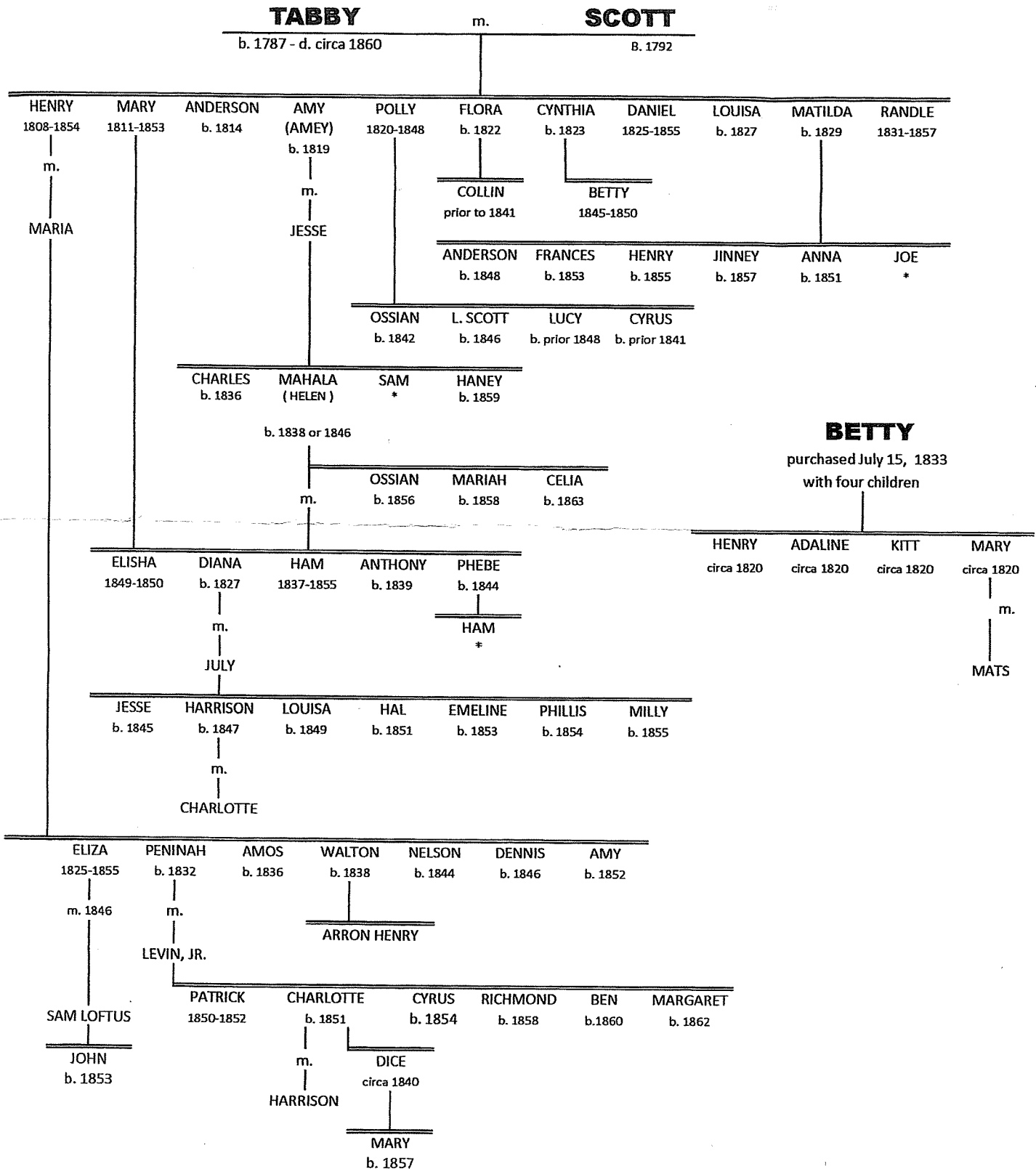
Vital Records: Surnames are recorded in U S (Rusk County) 1870-1900 Census, Marriage and Death Records



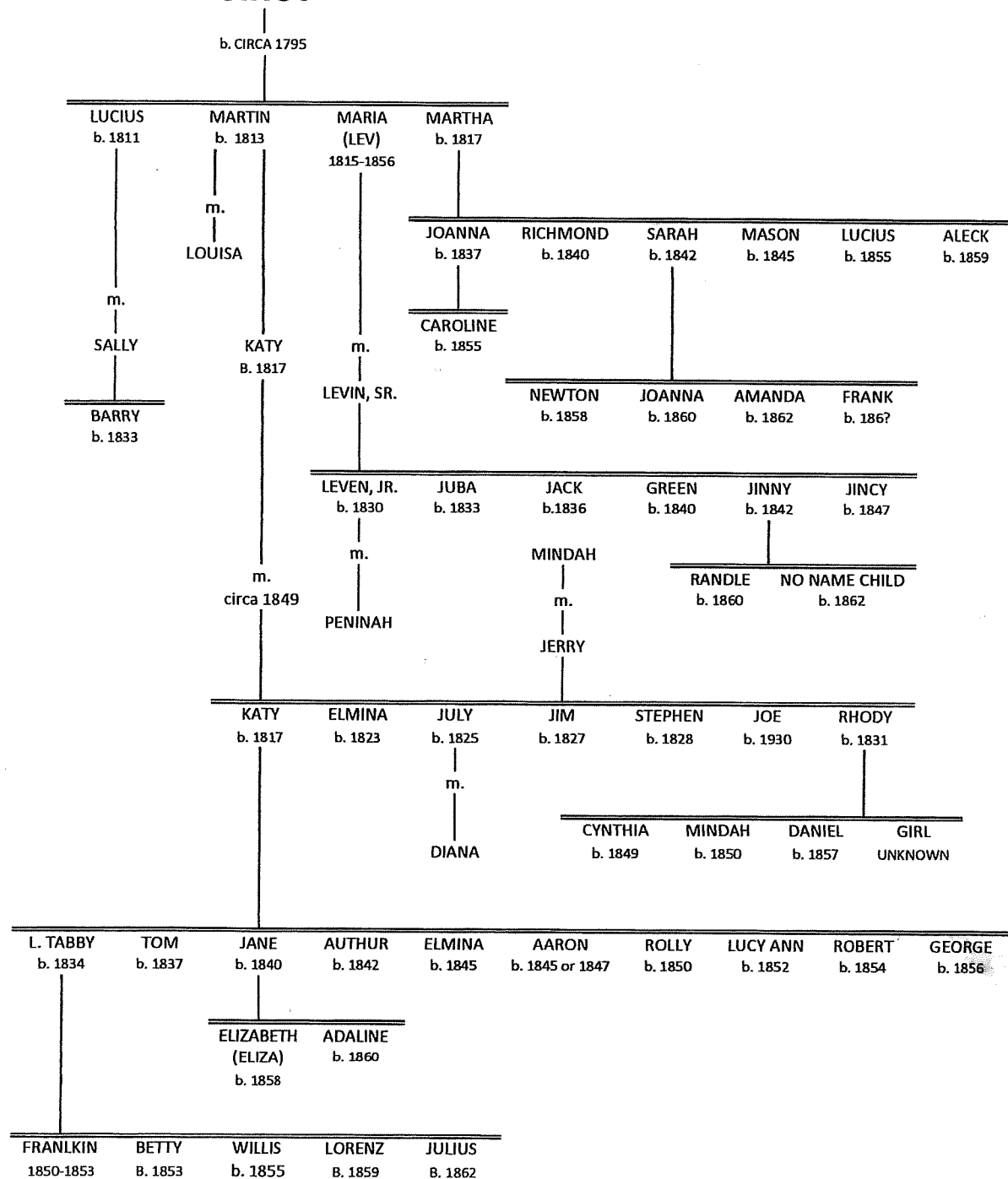
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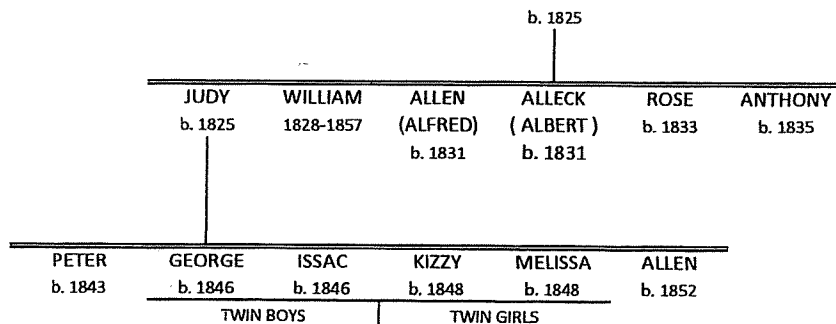
JOLEENE MADDOX SNIDER



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Monte Verdi Plantation ANCESTORS GIVEN/FIRST NAMES (Ceremony September 1, 2018)

Given Names	Given Names	Given Names	Given Names	Given Names
Aron	Cynthia	Little Jack	Little Lewis	Phoebe
Allen	Cyrus	Jane	Louisa	Phillis
Elmina	Daniel	Jesse	Lucius	Randal
Amey	Dennis	Little Jesse	Mahala [Helen]	Rhoda
Little Amey	Elizabeth	Jim	Eliza Henry Mariah	Richard
Amos	Diana	Jincy	Lewis Maria	Robert
Anna	Emaline	Jinny	Martha	Rolly
Anna JR	Emelissa	Joanna	Martin	Sam
Anderson 1	Frances	Joe	Mary	Sarah
Anderson 2	Frank	John	Mason	Scott
Anthony	George	Judy	Matilda	Stephen
Arthur	Green	July	Melba	Tabby SR
Betty	Harrison	Katy	Mindah	Little Tabby
Bill	Henry	Kizzy	Nelson	Tom
Caroline	Hugh	Leven	Peniah	Walton
Charlotte	Isaac	Lewis	Peter	Willis

The names of these 80 former slaves are recorded in Julien Sidney Devereux's 1856 Estate (Probated Inventory) and in the 1870-1900 U. S. Census records they are shown with their adopted surnames included in this document. Names called at a ceremony on **September 1, 2018, at the grounds of Monte Verdi in Cushing, TX.** Honored also are other surnames in the following generations not listed here. These eighty names of [200 plus] former slaves of Monte Verdi Plantation in Rusk County, Texas are recognized for their contributions to the past, present and future of the region, state, and the nation.

SURNAMES ADOPTED BY MONTE VERDI Plantation ANCESTORS (Ceremony, Sept 1, 2018)

Surname	Surname	Surname	Surname	Surname
ANDERSON	CADDELL	GARRISON	McDANIEL	SESSIONS
AUSTIN	CAIN	HARRIS	MINTER	SMITH
BAGLEY	CARY	HIGHTOWER	NORMAN	SPENCER
BALL	COOPER	HENRY	OWENS	STURNS
BLANTON	COSS	JOHNSON	PENDLETON	TILLEY
BRADLEY	CRAWFORD	JORDAN	POLK	TIPPS
BONE	DANIELS	JULY	PRUITT	TOLER
BOOKER	DEVEREUX	LANDRUM	PUNCH	VANZANDT
BOWENS	FLY	LEWIS	RICHARDS	WILLIAMS
BRADLEY	FREENY	LINTHECUM	ROBERTSON	WYATT
BRANTLEY	FREEMAN	LOFTIS	ROBINSON	