

Riley Privett

Pioneer of 1852

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Riley Privett

b. 27 Feb 1823 Campbell County, Tennessee

d. 25 Apr 1896 Colfax, Whitman County, Washington

buried [Colfax Cemetery](#), Colfax, Whitman County, Washington

m. 30 Jul 1843 Cedar County, Missouri

Mary Polly Williams

b. 06 Aug 1825 Missouri

d. 08 Mar 1906 Danville, Ferry County, Washington

buried [Colfax Cemetery](#), Colfax, Whitman County, Washington

1850: Cedar District, Cedar County, Missouri, September 10, 1850; Riley Privett, 27, farmer, TN; Mary, 25, MO; Silas, 6, MO; Ambrose, 3, MO; Andrew, 1, MO

ODLC: #4037 Linn County; Riley Privett, b. 1823 Campbell County, TN; arrived OR Sep 1852, settled claim 06 Nov 1852; m'd Polly 30 Jul 1843 Cedar County, Missouri.

Aff: Allen H. Follis, Samuel Fleener, Doddridge Harrell

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1883: Columbia County, Washington, Riley Privett, 60, farmer, TN; Mary, 58, MO

1885: Columbia County, Washington, Riley Privett, 62, none, TN; Mary, 60, MO; Andrew, 33, laborer, MO; Emma J., 28, OR [dau in law]

1887: Columbia County, Washington, Riley Privett, 63, own income, TN; Mary, 62, MO

Riley Privett, an old gentleman of this place, and a venerable pioneer of Oregon, passed away yesterday, after a long struggle with consumption. He leaves a wife and a number of children and adopted children to mourn his departure.

[The Spokesman-Review, Spokane, Washington, Monday, April 27, 1896 p.8]

Mrs. Mary Privett, mother of Silas Privett of the monument works, died at Danville, Wash., and the body was brought to Colfax Wednesday for burial. Mrs. Privett was 83 years of age. The funeral was held from the Privett home, Rev. Newman officiating.

[The Colfax Gazette, Colfax, Washington, Friday, March 16, 1906 p.3]

Children of Riley Privett and Mary Williams:

i. Silas Privett

b. 26 Aug 1844 Cedar County, Missouri

d. 13 Sep 1924 Colfax, Whitman County, Washington

buried [Colfax Cemetery](#), Colfax, Whitman County, Washington

m. 1871

Ida Summers

b. 30 Dec 1854 Oregon

d. 29 Nov 1945 Colfax, Whitman County, Washington

buried [Colfax Cemetery](#), Colfax, Whitman County, Washington

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CAME WEST IN 1852

Located in Whitman County in
Early Days—Will Be Buried
by Masons.

COLFAX, Wash., Sept. 13.—Silas Privett, age 80, died at his home today. In the passing of Mr. Privett, Whitman county loses one of its oldest pioneers.

Mr. Privett was born in Missouri and crossed the plains with his parents in 1852 to Lind county, Oregon. He later moved to Whitman county and homesteaded his present land holdings, on Four-Mile, between Colfax and Pullman. For the last 10 years, Mr. Privett had spent a quiet life, passing much of his time at Lake Chatcolet. He was owner of the little craft known among boat lovers at the resort as "The Whitman" and it was his special delight to offer the hospitality of his boat to those who visited the lake. He loved the scenes of Lake Chatcolet and spoke of it as "paradise."

To his many friends, Mr. Privett was known as "the mayor of Chatcolet" because of his courtesy to travelers and his desire to make every one feel at home.

Mr. Privett was a member of Hiram Masonic lodge and the A. O. U. W. Christian Science services will be held at the residence at 3 p. m. tomorrow. Services at the cemetery will be in charge of Masons. Mr. Privett is survived by his widow, a son, Claude Privett, in California; a daughter, Mrs. D. Millgard, Colfax, and a brother at Pendleton, Ore.

[The Spokesman-Review, Spokane, Washington, Sunday, September 14, 1924 p.11]

ii. Ambrose Privett

b. 09 Dec 1846 Cedar County, Missouri

d. 14 Jan 1928 Washington County, Oregon

buried [Friends Cemetery](#), Newberg, Yamhill County, Oregon

m. 20 Dec 1878 Nez Perce County, Idaho

Mary Adeline Hays

b. 1855 Oregon

d. 03 Mar 1947 Yamhill County, Oregon

buried [Friends Cemetery](#), Newberg, Yamhill County, Oregon

d/o John B. Hays and Nancy Jane Mallory

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iii. Andrew Jackson Privett

b. 11 Sep 1848 Cedar County, Missouri

d. 03 Jan 1935 Zenith, King County, Washington

buried [Hillcrest Burial Park](#), Kent, King County, Washington

m.

Emma Jane Klum

b. 28 Feb 1852 Oregon

d. 22 Mar 1917 Colfax, Whitman County, Washington

buried [Harrison Cemetery](#), Harrison, Kootenai County, Idaho

d/o George Klum and Jane Nye

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iv. Lucinda Jane Privett

b. 1851 Cedar County, Missouri

d.

m. 16 Sep 1866 Linn County, Oregon
Samuel J. Minnick

b.
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v. John Wesley Privett

b. Apr 1854 Linn County, Oregon

d. 11 Oct 1909 Salem, Marion County, Oregon

buried [Mountain View Cemetery](#), Walla Walla, Walla Walla County, Washington

m. 07 Nov 1880 Colfax, Whitman County, Washington
Frances B. Willett

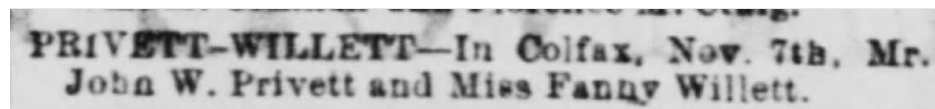
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PRIVETT-WILLETT—In Colfax, Nov. 7th, Mr.
John W. Privett and Miss Fanny Willett.

[The Seattle Post-Intelligencer, Seattle, Washington, Saturday, November 20, 1880 p.2]

Death of J. W. Privett.

News was received in Colfax Tuesday morning of the death in Salem, Oregon, of J. W. Privett, brother of S. Privett of this place. Mr. and Mrs. S Privett left the same day to meet the body at Pendleton, Oregon, the home of deceased and where burial occurred. J. W. Privett formerly lived in Colfax, where he was well and favorably known.

[The Colfax Gazette, Colfax, Washington, Friday, October 15, 1909 p.2]

vi. Mary E. Privett

b. 1856 Linn County, Oregon

d.

m.

Hues/Hughes/Hayes

b.

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vii. Sylvester W. Privett

b. 21 Aug 1860 Linn County, Oregon

d. 08 Nov 1881 Columbia County, Washington

buried [Dayton City Cemetery](#), Dayton, Columbia County, Washington

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