

JAMES MADISON YOUMANS (YEOMANS)¹ 1810-1888

James Madison Youmans was born in 1810 in Prince William's Parish of Beaufort District, South Carolina, a son of Samuel P. Youmans, who was born about 1790/1794 in South Carolina. Samuel, his wife, two sons and daughter moved to Tattnall County, Georgia between 1810 and 1820. They lived there several years and then moved to Thomas County, Georgia before 1830. James Madison Youmans married Martha L. Emanuel in Thomas County on Feb. 6, 1834. She was born in Georgia in 1815. Their children:

1. John Quincy Youmans, born December 28, 1834; died 1912; married Wealthy Ann Dugger.
2. James Augustus Youmans, born May 28, 1837; died May 14, 1912; married in Polk County on October 18, 1865, Mrs. Elmira Morgan West, daughter of Ephraim & Mary Morgan and widow of Fred West.
3. Robert Madison Youmans, born August 24, 1839; died October 18, 1839.
4. Samuel P. Youmans (Yeomans), born September 1, 1840; married Sarah Martin.
5. Martha Elizabeth Youmans, born June 22, 1843; died June 6, 1909; married Richmond Yent, son of Alexander and Nannie Yent.
6. Emily Francis Youmans, born March 24, 1846; married Jacob Daughtrey, son of Henry & Monah Daughtrey.
7. William Harrison Youmans, born Feb. 3, 1849; died Oct. 16, 1941; married Mary Curry on Feb. 12, 1876 in Manatee County.
8. Mary Taylor Youmans, born July 31, 1851; married John Daughtrey, son of Henry & Monah Daughtrey, in Manatee County on July 14, 1872.
9. Sarah Marcella Youmans, born March 15, 1854; died May 22, 1919; married James Madison Lanier in Manatee County on September 22, 1872.

¹Although "Youmans" is the generally accepted spelling of this name today, several of the sons of James Madison Youmans & their descendants spell it "Yeomans". The six members of the family residing in Beaufort District were listed as "Yomans" in the 1790 S.C. census. The various census through the years show it as "Youmans" & "Yeomans" depending on the individual census taker. Although the handwriting on the marriage record from Thomas County is somewhat difficult to read, it appears to be "Yeomans" or "Yeamons". The family bible shows it to be "Youmans". Records from Manatee County where James was Tax Collector also show it as "Youmans".