

7. James B. Collier, born 1857.
8. Catherine Collier, born April 20, 1858 according to Bible - could be as early as 1853.
9. George M. Collier, born Mar. 18, 1859 according to Bible - tombstone says 1858; died Aug. 11, 1937; married Mrs. Susan North, Nov. 22, 1883.
10. Wiley Bryant Collier, born June 18, 1860 according to Bible; died Jan. 4, 1921; married to Jane E. Whidden, May 12, 1881.
11. Ellen Collier, born Jan. 18, 1862 according to Bible.
12. Pleasant E. Collier born July 22, 1864 according to Bible; died c1918; married Rachel Jacobs, Nov. 27, 1885.

During the early to mid-1860's John Collier and family moved to Manatee County, Florida. Calvin and John, Jr. both enlisted at Fort Myers in May 1864 in Company B, 2nd Florida Cavalry, U. S. Army.

On Nov. 6, 1866, John Collier registered the following brand in Manatee County: JC. On a roll of persons between the ages of 18 and 45 liable for military duty in Manatee County taken July 15, 1869, the names of John Collier, Sr., Green Collier, John Collier, Jr. and Calvin Collier appear. Manatee County mark and brand records show the following entries for Nov. 3, 1869: Mary Collier, brand AC; Pleasant Collier, brand PC; Henry Collier, brand HC; George Collier, brand 99; and Bryant Collier, brand 9.

John Collier, Sr. was married to Mary (Locklear) Conyer on Oct. 9, 1869, according to Manatee County marriage records. The family Bible gives the date as Sept. 24, 1869. The following children were born of this marriage:

13. Alice Collier, born Aug. 1, 1870, according to Bible.
14. Isabelle Collier, born 1872; married _____ Hall
15. Martha Collier, born May 28, 1874, according to Bible.

John Collier and family are shown on the 1870 census for Manatee County. His personal estate at that time was valued at \$15,000. In the 1880 census the John "Colyer" family is residing in Brevard County. During the 1880's they moved back into Manatee County and were living there in 1885 when the state census was taken.

John Collier, Sr. was married to Mary (Nancy) Ann Samantha Jacobs on Feb. 18, 1886. They had the following children:

16. Perry Collier, born Jan. 31, 1884.
17. Dora Collier, born Sept. 3, 1886; married Mr. Hall.
18. Berry Collier, born Mar. 3, 1888.

The daughter, Dora (Collier) Hall remembers her family living about four miles west of present day Avon Park during her early childhood. Later the elder Collier moved his family to Bowling Green.

John Collier's will is dated Jan. 6, 1892 and is filed in the DeSoto County courthouse. He mentioned his children: Green, Elizabeth Green, Calvin, John, Jr., George, Bryant, Pleasant, Isabelle, Martha,