

becoming intoxicated. As a result, both families had to walk from Jackson County to Madison behind an ox cart loaded with their belongings.

During the period between November 29, 1863 and January 14, 1864, James appeared on the register of Ross Hospital in Mobile, Alabama while suffering from dysentery and debility. He was among the prisoners of war surrendered by CSA Major General Sam Jones at Tallahassee, Florida on May 10, 1865 as part of the 15th Confederate Cavalry. The prisoners were paroled by the U. S. A. at Quincy, Florida on May 22, 1865.

Another family legend is that James walked from Quincy to Madison, arriving in a weakened condition and wearing thin, tattered clothing and no shoes. All the children ran to meet him shouting, "Pa's home!", including little Robert Gary Roberts--then 2½ years old--who had never seen his father, James having been sent to far away battlefields a few months before his son was born.

James Gary Roberts died about 1877 at Madison in Madison County, Florida and is believed to have been buried in an unmarked grave at Corinth Primitive Baptist Church cemetery in that county.

Mary (Jackson) Roberts then married Joseph E. Jones and there were two sons of this marriage.

The children of James Gary Roberts and Mary (Jackson) Roberts were:

1. John Roberts, born 1856 at Jackson Co., Fl.; died young.
2. James Jethro Roberts, born March 14, 1858 at Jackson Co., Fl.; married Elifair Jones, daughter of William Jones. No children.
3. Christianna Frances Roberts, born August 23, 1859 at Jackson Co., Fl.; married Charles Edwin Turlington, son of Charles and Margaret (Henry) Turlington. They had ten children.
4. Henrietta Roberts, born _____, 1861 at Jackson Co., Fl.; married F. P. Cox. They had two children.
5. Robert Gary Roberts, born December 4, 1862 at Madison County, Fl.; married Elizabeth Ann Turlington, daughter of Charles and Margaret (Henry) Turlington. They had twelve children.
6. Franklin Roberts, born at Madison Co., Fl.; died young.
7. Jeremiah Roberts, born at Madison Co., Fl.; died at about age 19.

James' son, Robert Gary Roberts (known as Gary) and Elizabeth Ann Turlington (known as Lizzie) were married March 19, 1882 at Madison Co., Florida. They married four months before her fifteenth birthday and when he was eighteen years old. Their first child, a son, was born there on Feb. 4, 1883 and not long afterwards, they had a daughter and two more sons. Lizzie was born July 14, 1867 at Fenholoway settlement of Taylor County near present Perry.

In 1887, they decided to move southward, coming by boat down the St. John's River to City Point in Brevard County, just south of Titusville. Within a short time, they had moved a little further south of Titusville to Peninsula and then nearby Sharpes where another daughter was born.

By the early 1890's, Gary and Lizzie had moved their now growing family to a new settlement called John's Island, located just off