

The minutes of the Probate Court, Manatee County, August 10, 1874 read: "Come to knowledge of Court that William Wingate, guardian of person and estate of Martha P. McLelland, removed from State of Florida." Susan E. Crews applied for and obtained letter of guardianship for Martha on August 28, 1874.

After Henry Collin Crews' death about 1874, Susan (Wingate) McClelland Crews married Moses B. Crews about 1876. Moses was born August 18, 1853 to Benjamin L. and Mary Crews.

The December 3, 1877 minutes of the Probate Court of Manatee County read: "Settlement of estate of Martha P. Sellers nee McClellan by Susan E. Crews former widow of H. C. Crews, deceased and now wife of Moses B. Crews, being mother of said Martha P. Sellers and her natural guardian during her infancy. The said guardian being charged with waste in management of said property (by Buriss P. Sellers) and being summoned to appear and answer the following in memorandum made and entered into by and between the husband of said guardian ward on behalf of themselves and wives which is intended as a final settlement and discharge from management of the property and person of said ward memorandum of agreement." Signed at Pine Level, December 3, 1877, by Burris E. Sellers and Moses B. Crews.

In the 1880 census of Manatee County, precinct no. 11, Moses B. and Susan Crews had in household: Thomas M., age 13 years (apparently changed his name from John to Thomas), Moses age 2 years, and Martha P. Sellers, age 18 years.

Susan E. Crews in her will made June 8, 1891 left her estate to her husband, M. B. Crews. Witnesses were W. J. Carroll, T. C. Wadsworth, C. C. Collier and B. L. Crews, page 13, Book No. 1, DeSoto County, Florida. She died August 14, 1891 and was buried in New Hope Cemetery. Moses B. Crews married second Piety Crews February 14, 1894. She was the daughter of Dempsey D. Crews, Jr. Moses died August 30, 1927 and was buried in New Hope Cemetery.

REFERENCES: Probate Court Records, Polk and Manatee Counties; Marriage records, Hillsborough, Manatee and DeSoto Counties, Florida; U. S. Censuses, 1870 & 1880 Manatee County, Florida and military records, National Archives; correspondence with Mrs. Loretta (Buchanan) Taylor and Mrs. Stella (Crews) Romano.

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Robert B. HACKNEY, Florida, AMM3, US Navy, WWII  
Oct. 17, 1925 - Oct. 16, 1949

Grover HACKNEY, Jr. 1916 - 1940

Orson B. JUDD 1893 - 1936