

George Washington McClelland and Georgia Anne Davis applied for a marriage license December 11, 1871 to Clerk of Court, Hillsborough County, Florida and it was issued.

There is no record of it being returned to that office, so it may be assumed that the official who performed the ceremony failed to return it. Georgia Anne was born October 5, 1852 in Alabama. Her parents are not known. To them were born the following children:

1. Mary V. McClelland, born 1874; married H. D. Mann, December 23, 1890.
2. Fanny Marion McClelland, born December 10, 1876; died May 8, 1893; buried New Hope Cemetery, Ft. Meade, Florida.
3. George Washington McClelland, born January 28, 1879; died June 25, 1962; buried Oak Hill Cemetery, Lakeland, Florida; married Nona Rushing.
4. William J. McClelland, born March 1881; married Lula Elizabeth Huckaby.
5. Lydia Anne McClelland, born January 1883.
6. Sarah W. McClelland, born January 1885.
7. Georgia Anne McClelland, born January 1887.
8. Hubert or Hubbard McClelland, born November 1890.

In 1880 the family was living in Manatee County (now Hardee) near New Hope Baptist Church, east of present day Wauchula, Fla., and according to the 1880 census of Manatee County, Florida, George was a farmer. Prior to 1890 the family moved to Polk County, near Ft. Meade, Florida. The 1900 census of Polk County shows Georgia Anne McClelland, a widow, as head of the household. Apparently George W. McClelland died prior to 1900 census as no record of his death or grave has been found.

Georgia Anne McClelland died January 1, 1910 and was buried in New Hope Cemetery, west of Ft. Meade, Florida.

REFERENCES: Census: 1850, 1860 & 1870 Hillsborough Co., Fl., 1880 Manatee Co., Fl., 1900 Polk Co., Fl.; Gabriel J. McClelland's military records, Third Seminole Indian War, National Archives, Washington, DC; Lydia Anne McClelland's widow's pension application, National Archives; marriage and guardian records, Hillsborough County, Fl.; tombstone inscriptions, New Hope Cemetery, Ft. Meade, Florida.