

**FAMILY OF
ALMARINE FRANKLIN DAWSON
AND
EVALINE FRANCES DICKERT DAWSON**

Almarine Dawson was born December 23, 1850, in Georgia, and came to Sand Mountain during the 1850's with his parents James M. Dawson and Mary Ann Wooten Dawson. He married Evaline Frances Dickert on December 6, 1870. She was born January 6, 1851, to M. H. and Evaline Lewis Dickert. Almarine died May 7, 1938, and Evaline died on August 11, 1916. Both are buried in Warrens Graveyard, near Rainsville, Alabama.

To this union were born seven children from 1871 through 1883. They are: (1) Lulie Irene Dawson (unmarried), buried in Warrens Graveyard; (2) Irvin Carson Dawson, buried in Warrens Graveyard, father of Ethel Dawson Benefield, Alvin Dawson, Aldolphus (Dock) Dawson, Irvin Dawson, Claude Dawson, A. G. (Ted) Dawson, Elmer Dawson, and Glavis (Bud) Dawson; (3) Senora Loretta (Nora) Dawson Durham, buried in Town Creek Cemetery, Rainsville, AL, mother of Roswell Durham, Pearl Durham Thompson, Bently Durham, Burma Durham Blansitt, Clifford Durham, Roy Durham, Verdie Durham Holdbrooks, Ina Durham Dowdy, Edith Durham McCaslin, Elbert Durham, and Ora Durham Cordell; (4) Lorena Dawson Stewart, buried in Attalla Cemetery, Etowah County, AL, mother of Wallace Stewart, Joe Stewart, Mattie Stewart Roberts, and Mollie Stewart Blackman; (5) Granville Green Dawson, buried in Broadway Cemetery, Rainsville, AL, father of Oval Dawson Johnson; (6) Mary Etta Dawson Whited, buried in Unity Cemetery, near Sylvania, AL, mother of Leola Whited Freeman, Elford Whited, Kermit Whited, Lora Whited Thomas, Burma Whited Nance, and Croel Elvie Whited; and (7) Allie Florence Dawson Downey, buried in Broadway Cemetery, Rainsville, AL, mother of Orvin Franklin Downey, Flora Downey Tumlin, and Joseph Paul Downey.

The family was raised in the Pope Community between Rainsville and Pilgrims Rest Primitive Baptist Church. Almarine homesteaded several acres in the area and was a farmer all his life. Evaline hand carded rolls of cotton from which thread was woven to make the children's clothes. Also, she spun wool to make men's pants and coats. All but one child remained on Sand Mountain and raised their families.