

First Generation

1. **Lafayette Stephens**¹ was born in Apr 1849 in Knox County, Missouri.¹⁻⁷ He lived in Benton, Knox County, Missouri on 30 Oct 1850.³ He lived in Benton, Knox County, Missouri on 19 Jun 1860.¹ Lafayette lived in Richland Township, Fountain County, Indiana on 7 Jun 1880.⁶ He lived in Shelbina, Shelby County, Missouri (West of Hannibal) on 19 Feb 1884.² On 19 Feb 1884 he was a Plasterer.² Lafayette lived in St Louis, Missouri on 13 Jun 1900.⁵ He lived in St. Louis, Missouri on 22 Apr 1910.⁴ He lived in Jackson County, Illinois in 1920.⁸ Lafayette lived in Montgomery, Montgomery County, Alabama in 1930.⁹ He died on 10 Dec 1931 at the age of 82 in Montgomery, Montgomery County, Alabama.^{7,10} He was buried on 17 Dec 1931 in Oak Hill Cemetery, Kirkwood, St Louis County, Missouri.¹¹ Lafayette was also known as Lafe Stephens. He was a Farmer.¹² Link to parents: (Death certificate says he was born in Knox County, MO.; 1850 and 1860 censuses show him with parents).^{1,3,7}

NOTES

In the 1910 census, Lafayette Stephens says his father was born in Ohio, his mother in Maryland.

The 1931 death certificate says he was born in Knox County, Missouri. The 1850 and 1860 censuses both show him with his father in Knox County.

On Sat, Sep 29, 2012 at 6:28 PM, Janis Hopkins-Nugent <jhnuge@hotmail.com> wrote:

Hi Kathleen!

It really makes me happy when people find their people! This is why I love spending hours in the cemeteries snapping photos and posting them on Find a Grave. I used to be a funeral director at the funeral home on the Oak Hill Cemetery property which is why I decided to tackle the addition of records to this cemetery. I have entered records from the interment books up to 1968 and am in the process of photographing markers in the final garden.

Here is all the information I have on LaFayette Stephens (from the interment book):

Associated address at 7430 Richmond Rd., in Maplewood, MO (possibly another family member lived here?) with a late residence listed as Montgomery, AL
82 yrs old
DOD: Dec. 12, 1931
Cause: Diabetes
Bopp Funeral Home was the "undertaker"
Interment Date: Dec. 17, 1931
Lot: Public Lot 2 Row 24 Grave 1
Next-of-kin: Lee Stephens (son)

The Public Lots in our cemetery were usually used for people who only needed one space and didn't want to or couldn't afford to purchase a family lot. Many of these graves have no markers. I have personally walked and photographed every marker in the public lots and did not find one for LaFayette. However, I will probably go to the cemetery tomorrow and I will specifically search the location for his.

I have placed everyone on a large Excel spreadsheet with locations and listed whether or not they have markers so I should be able to sort the document and hopefully find someone near his grave who is marked and count spaces. If I am able to find the location, I will at least send a picture of the grave to you.

I do not have a listing for Margaret Dove Stephens in this cemetery. Since I have been through all the interment books

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between 1910 and 1930, I would assume she isn't at this cemetery (unless I missed it, which is possible since I have entered more than 20,000 records and am human!) I can check the card file at the cemetery when I am there tomorrow also for her name specifically.

I will let you know what I find!

Janis

1. 1860 United States Census.
2. Missouri State Board of Health, Bureau of Vital Statistics, Missouri Birth Record Daughter of Lafayette and Margaret Stephens (Name: Roll Number C 6526;).
3. 1850 United States Census.
4. 1910 United States Census.
5. 1900 United States Census. Lafayette Stephens Household, Central Township, St Louis County, Missouri; Sheet 21, Supervisor's District 10, Enumeration District 120, Family 451; 13 June 1900.
6. 1880 United States Census. Lafayette Stephens Household, Richland Township, Fountain County, Indiana. Page 9, Supervisor's District 4, Enumeration District 72.
7. Alabama Death Certificate for Lafayette Stephens (1931).
8. 1920 United States Census.
9. 1930 United States Census.
10. Ancestry.com, Alabama Deaths, 1908-1959.
11. Cemetery Records (Oak Hill) Kirkwood, St Louis County, MO.
12. 1880 United States Census.