FAMILY HISTORY PAGE (By Jewel P. Hunt)

The early members of the Tynes family belonged to the Baptist Church. According to the records of the Middle Creedk Church, "John H. Tynes presented a letter from Mt. Carmel Church and was received Saturday before the third Sunday in Sunday in February, 1888".

John Tynes was a Mason. He was a prominent member of his community and was known by many as "The Lieutenant". His youngest daughter, Susan Antnett sometimes called him "Lieutenant".

When he attended monthly conference at Middle Creek, he took mail from the Tynes Postoffice to the church members. He carried it in his saddle bags and distributed it before the Saturday evening meeting.

When the Lord saw fit to call John H. Tynes home, He did it quickly and easily. Near the close of the day while his wife Susan was milking, he came from the barn where he had been caring for the horses, his sister-in-law, Sarah Elizabeth Ricks, was sitting on the front porch reading the paper, when he came and sat at the top of the doorstep. His last words were, "Sarah, there is something terribly wrong with me". He fell over backward; the spirit of John H. Tynes had slipped quietly away.

His grandchildren remember him as a kind and loving grandfather. Sometimes when he visited them, his saddlebags were filled with delicious apples which were grown on the Tynes place.

The step-mother Margaret Gibson Tynes left Alabama December 16, 1872, and came to Louisiana. Her children were Timothy, Hiram, Flemon (or Fleming), Rebecca, Pollie (Mary Melvina), and Lillis,

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