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THE GILLIAM ANCESTRY.

(Taken in principal part from the Pettus family Bible).

The Gilliam family in Arkansas traces its origin back to Allen Gilliam, who was born on March 6th, 1770 and lived in or near Richmond, Virginia. He died May 27th, 1830. He was married July 6th, 1794 to Martha Cox GILLIAM (Nee Barnes, who was born July 18th, 1773 and died October 3rd, 1844. To this marriage was born the following issue:

1. Polly Goode Gilliam, who was born June 4th, 1795 and who was married to William Marshall on July 1st, 1818.
2. Francis Barnes GILLIAM, who was born June 4th, 1795 (a twin to Polly Goode GILLIAM), and who was married to Mary E. Sampson on Dec. 6th, 1837.
3. James Henry GILLIAM, who was born January 9th, 1797, and who was married April 11th, 1826 to Mary E. Bishop.
4. Sally Wilkerson Gilliam, who was born May 15th, 1799, and who was married February 10th, 1820 to MARTIN Pettus.
5. Osborne GILLIAM, who was born March 5th, 1802, and who was married February 14th, 1821 to Cornelius Barnes.
6. Elizabeth Harrison GILLIAM, who was born December 16th, 1810, and who was married October 20th, 1825 to John O. Pettus.
7. Martha Allen GILLIAM, who was born March 18th, 1814, and who died in infancy.
8. Martha Allen GILLIAM, who was born May 7th, 1816, and who was married Oct 29th, 1835 to John F. Barnes.
9. William T. GILLIAM, birth not known, who was married on August 29th, 1832 to Sophia P. Ransom.
10. Robert Cornelius GILLIAM, who was born October 13th, 1819, and who was married November 22nd, 1849 to Francis I Russey. Robert Cornelius GILLIAM was killed in battle of Marks Mill, Arkansas, while serving as First Lieutenant in the Confederate Army. To his marriage with Francis I. Norwood were born the following issue:

1. Virginia J. Gilliam, who was born Dec 18th, 1853, and who married William Edwards on _____ and who died Aug 30th, 1921.
2. Lucy Cornelius GILLIAM, who was born Jan. 15th, 1857 and who married Thaddeus McCOWN Meh. 8, 1876 and who died May 1st, 1933
3. Robert Allen GILLIAM, who was born March 22, 1862, and who married Annie Locke Badgett, May 4th, 1887 and who died July 12th, 1935 at Lockesburg, Sevier County, Arkansas. Annie Locke GILLIAM died Aug 2nd, 1947 at Lockesburg, Arkansas

Robert Cornelius Gilliam, together James Henry Gilliam and Francis Barnes Gilliam, all moved from Virginia to Southwest Arkansas sometime before the Civil War. Robert Cornelius Gilliam settled at Paracliffa, the first County seat of Sevier County, where he had a large plantation on the Cassatot River. He was buried in a Soldier's Grave at Marks Mill, exact location now unknown.