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Dear Faye

I have never payed much attention to dates even in History Class where I needed it -

I think you have most of what I have. In fact I think I got most of the Powell side from your mom thru you - I did more of the Vallotton side for my kids -

I do not have a copy of my parents marriage Cert. but I think they were married in Cheneyville - St Landry parish was where mamma lived at Bayou Chicot. and, if my memory serves me right, Rev. Alexander was still pastor of the Baptist Church in Cheneyville when I was old enough to remember -

I do not know whether great grandfather Powell was James Robert or Robert James. I never saw or even heard of him until your records - my grandfather was always called Jimmy - Uncle Jimmy to nieces & nephews and Grandpa Jimmy to us grandkids - The Grandfather on mammas side was also Jimmy - for James but if he had another name I do not know it and his wife was Elizabeth ~~Tracy~~ Briar Martin -

my parents were William Elkner (or Elkner I'm not sure) but Violet says it is Elkner on the marriage license. and Alice Arzelia Martin is right -

I will make a sheet for my family -

I think you have the dates wrong on some of my brothers + sisters now dead -

Charles Holmes was between Myrtle and Johnnie. He would be about 1915 or 1916 - as Myrtle's is May 12, 1914. Joseph Wilbur is about right as he lived 4 months - Ruth is correct I think but Leon was 1923 and Hermon 1924. Leon lived 1 hour + Hermon was still born -

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I hope this helps you - most all the history I have is hearsay so no dates remembered -

I know Papa had a sister who died young I think her name was Drucilla - I remember seeing her picture painted by a friend or relative after she died - beautiful - about 16 or 17 - And one Cordelia who married a welder and had 2 children I think - I only saw them once after they were grown - Then there was Aunt Mary Janner & Aunt Lizzy Lyles, Aunt Fanny Smith and Aunt Lilly Mcnutt and 1 brother, Uncle Seymore -

married 1902 -

Hessie Barkdull Vallotton + Edith Mae Causey or dates
I do not know their ages

Son Alney Leon Vallotton Born Jan. 6, 1905

William Eleanor Powell + Margaret Smith -

Daughter - Bessie Powell born August 9, 1906

Alney Leon Vallotton married Bessie Powell Mar 23, 1925

Children

Edith Alice - born Jan 2, 1926

Edward Allen - born Sept. 11, 1928 - died Mar 1960

Hollis Leon - born May 11, 1930

Ruth Amelia - born Aug 17, 1932

Wilbur Carter - born Feb 27, 1934

William O'Neil - born Sept 3, 1935 - died Apr. 2, 1958

Alney Kay - born Mar 21, 1943 -

Edith - married Paul Mangrum 1942 - 2 children

Edward married - Eleanor Wilson 1946 - 3 children

Hollis married - Joyce divorced her - Married Hazel Shallenburger - she died
married Bertha Carson 1962 - 3 children

Ruth married Paul Mc Cernick 1950 - 3 children - divorced

Wilbur married Patty Pruso - 1950 - 3 children - divorced + married
and married John Lucas 1969

William married - Shirley Hulach can't remember date -
Shirley Bernal (can't remember date) 2 children

Alney Kay (Butch) married Arey Anna Watson - 1963 - 3 children -

Dates are as close as I can remember - If you need

more I could get it from the kids - But it's too much for

me to remember - and the Greats about 25 of them I can

not even remember all the names if I ever knew them - I'm

getting too old to tax my brain so much -