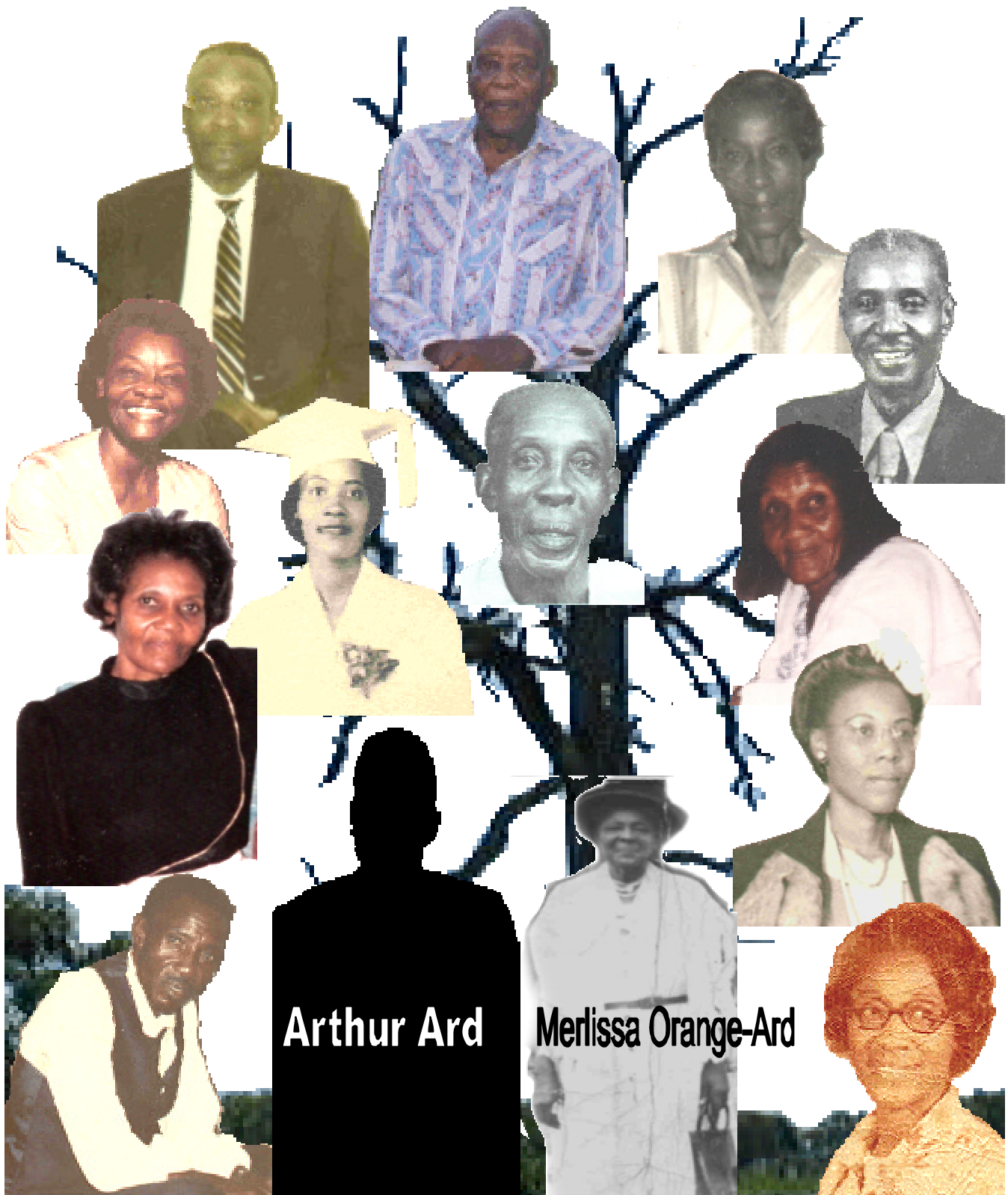


THE FAMILY TREE



All the information can be found on different sites on the internet under census for the state you want to visit.

The site visited were
Ancestry.com
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Arthur Ard
And
Melissa Jane
Orange Ard

Four
Generation
Family Tree



History

End of Slavery in Texas

The Emancipation Proclamation went into effect on January 1863. Unfortunately, it had little effect for some slaves

But, on June 19th, 1865 General Gordon Granger arrived in Texas with 2000 Union troops and read the follow words:

?? “The people of Texas are informed that, in accordance with a proclamation from the Executive of the United States, all slaves are free.”

In 1980 Juneteenth became an official holiday in the state of Texas, and is the oldest known celebration of the ending of slavery in the US.



Arthur Ard

Born: *abt. 1883*
Died: *1938*
Occupation: *Insurance Agent*

Arthur Ard Grand Parents

Thomas and Harriet Ard

*Arthur Ard grand parents Thomas and Harriet Ard and his father Fred Ard were born during the time of **slavery**.*

Taken from the U.S 1880 census

*?? Thomas was born **abt 1830** in South Carolina.*

*?? Harriet was born **abt. 1844** in South Carolina.*

According to the 1880 census Thomas and Harriet Ard had two children.

*?? Fred Ard born **abt 1858** in Texas*

*?? Ike Ard born **abt. 1859** in Texas*

Arthur Ard Father.

*?? Fred Ard: Born **abt. 1858***

Unable to find information on Fred's wife



Melissa Jane Orange Ard

Born: November 2, 1883

Died: August 15, 1969

Occupation: Housewife

Melissa Jane Orange Ard Parents

Richard Orange and Mariah Orange

?? Richard Orange was born abt. **1851**

?? Mariah Orange was born abt. **1850**

According to 1900 census, Richard and Mariah Orange had five children.

?? Ana Orange

?? Isiah Orange

?? Oscar Orange

?? Margie Orange

?? **Melissa Orange**

Half brother

?? Nealy White (*this information was supplied by Merlissa Moore*)



Arthur and Melissa Jane Orange Ard
*was united in holy matrimony, and out of this
union 12 children was born*

- 1. Nealy Ard*
- 2. Viola Ard, Davis*
- 3. Fed Ard*
- 4. Ezell Ard*
- 5. Eula Ard, Bowens*
- 6. T.J Ard*
- 7. Nellie Ann, Ard, Sneed*
- 8. Mary Ann Ard, Allen*
- 9. Merlissa Ard, Moore*
- 10. Mary Lee Ard, Smith, Holleman*
- 11. Leu L, Ard, Davis*
- 12. Joe L. Ard*



Nealy Ard

Born: December 11 1902

Died: June 1, 2001

Nealy Ard was the first of twelve children born to Arthur Ard and Melissa Jane Orange Ard.

December 25, 1924.

Nealy Ard, Married Florida Lee Smith

From this union eight children was born.

- 1. James*
- 2. Pearlie*
- 3. N.A*
- 4. Guisie*
- 5. Cather*
- 6. Ina*
- 7. Skunnie*
- 8. Donald*

Children died at birth not known.



Viola Ard Davis

Born: December 28, 1904

Died: November, 1990

*Viola Ard was the second child of Arthur and
Melissa Jane Orange Ard.*

Viola Ard married Jordan Davis

From this union four children was born.

- 1. Della May*
- 2. Kitty*
- 3. Bernice*
- 4. A J.*



Fed Ard

Born: May 2, 1907

Died: August 2, 1994

*Fed Ard was the third child of
Arthur and Melissa Orange Ard*

December 4, 1927

Fed Ard married Etta Holleman

From this union was born nine children.

- 1. Louise*
- 2. Easter*
- 3. Doris*
- 4. Esther*
- 5. Margaret*
- 6. Joyce*
- 7. Arthur*
- 8. R.B*
- 9. Frank*



Ezell Ard

Born May 31, 1909

Died: February 4, 1992

*Ezell Ard was the fourth child of
Arthur and Melissa Orange Ard.*

*He was united with Cassie Sherman from this union
four children were born*

- 1. Ezell Jr.*
- 2. Sherman*
- 3. Elizabeth*
- 4. Arthur*

*His second marriage was with
Theresa Mae Tolison, from this union two children
was born.*

- 1. Helen*
- 2. Janett Renia*



Eula Ard Bowens

Born: February 26, 1901

Died: December 15, 2004

*Eula Ard was the fifth child born to
Arthur and Melissa Orange Ard*

1928 Eula Ard married Andy Bowens.

From this union six children was born.

- 1. Orlean*
- 2. Delorse*
- 3. Birdie Bell*
- 4. Joyce*
- 5. John E.*
- 6. Clorse*

She later married R. Palmer Jackson



T.J. Ard

Born: August 16 1913

Died: May 16, 1994

*T.J Ard was the sixth child born to
Arthur and Melissa Orange Ard.*

*T. J. married Odesse Merrit Ard, and from this union
was born four children.*

- 1. Roosevelt*
- 2. Ruth T.*
- 3. Lee Edward*
- 4. John L.*

*He later married Nellie B. Rains Ard, and from this
union five children were born.*

- 1. Elnora*
- 2. Ester.*
- 3. Tommy*
- 4. T.J. Jr*
- 5. Izera*



Nellie Ann Ard Sneed

Born May 4, 1916

Died: June 7, 1989

*Nellie Ann Ard was a twin to (Mary Ann Ard, Allen)
they were the seventh and eight children of
Arthur and Melissa Orange Ard.*

*Nellie Ann Ard united with Clayborne, Murphy and from
this union a child was born.*

?? Nathan Murphy

*She later married Booker T. Sneed and from this union
one child was born.*

?? Booker T. Jr.



Mary Ann Ard Allen

Born: May 4, 1916
Died: November 20, 1992

Mary Ann Ard Allen was a twin to (Nellie Ann Sneed)
They were the seventh and eight children of
Arthur and Melissa Orange Ard.

Mary Ann Ard married Robell Allen.
From this union nine children was born.

- 1. Dee Clara*
- 2. Marcella*
- 3. Bobbie*
- 4. Maxine*
- 5. Altha*
- 6. Lincoln*
- 7. Bill*
- 8. Red*
- 9. Redell*

No information is given here on the children who died as infants.



Melissa Ard Moore

Born: July 14, 1918

*Melissa Ard was the ninth child born to
Arthur and Melissa Orange Ard*

Melissa Ard married Albert Moore in 1946

*No children were born from this union. They adopted
and raise one daughter.*

?? Altha Faye Allen Moore



Mary Lee Ard Holleman

Born May 31, 1922

*Mary Lee Ard was the tenth child born to Arthur and
Melissa Orange Ard*

1936 Mary Lee Ard Married Joe Edell Holleman

From this union two children was born.

- 1. Glory Helen*
- 2. Mack Earl*

Mary Ard Holleman, later married George Smith



Joe L. Ard

Born February. 16, 1924

Joe L. Ard a twin to (Lue L Ard). They were the eleventh and twelfth children of Arthur and Melissa Orange Ard.

July, 1948 Joe L. married Madie G. Marshall. From this union ten children were born.

- 1. Joe L. Jr*
- 2. Glender*
- 3. Catherine*
- 4. Hermaine*
- 5. Darrell*
- 6. Benjamin*
- 7. Aileen Ruth*
- 8. Timothy*
- 9. John*
- 10 Paul*



Lue L. Ard Davis

Born: October 16, 1924

Died: January 8, 1980

Lue L. Ard was born a twin (Joe L. Ard). They were the eleventh and twelfth children of Arthur and Melissa Orange Ard

Lue L. Ard married Odie G Davis. From this union five children was born.

- 1. Odie G. Jr.*
- 2. Arthur Leach*
- 3. Ora Jean*
- 4. Ruby Lorraine*
- 5. Ella Ree*