

Family of John R. PIERCE

John R. PIERCE, b. 1838 in (Hall) GA,^{i,iii} census 1860 in Wild Cat District (Cherokee) GA, d. 1863.

Served in Co. D, 52 Regt., GA Infantry, C.S.A. (Boyd's Guards). Enlisted March 4, 1862 in Lumpkin County, GA.

Killed when he fell off a train in Montgomery (not sure if this is Alabama) either returning home from the Civil War, or returning to his company from furlough.

He married 23 Feb 1858 in (Lumpkin) GA,^{iv} **Nancy Jane WIMPEY**, b. 2 Feb 1840 in (Hall) GA,^{2,3,v,vi,vii,viii} (daughter of Thomas Henly WIMPEY and Elizabeth SHEPHERD) d. 4 Dec 1917 in Bethany (Moultrie) IL, buried 7 Dec 1917 in Oak Grove Cemetery.

Nancy: Nancy had 3 children with John Pierce. After John died in about 1863, Nancy remarried to James Millwood in 1865 and had 7 more children.

In 1870 and 1880, they lived in Cherokee Co., GA. In 1900 and 1910, they lived in Richland Co., IL, and Nancy died there in 1917.

1900 census shows her as mother of 10 with 6 still living.

1910 census shows her as mother of 10 with 5 still living.

I. **Archibald L. D. PIERCE**, b. 1859 in (Cherokee) GA,^{3,5,6} census 1880 in Sixes District (Cherokee) GA. Can't find Archibald or Louvica after 1880.

He married 5 Feb 1877 in (Lumpkin) GA,⁴ **Louvica JONES**, b. 1861 in Georgia,^{5,6} (daughter of James N. JONES and Martha).

II. **Georgia Ann PIERCE**, b. 10 Feb 1860 in (Cherokee) GA,^{5,6,7,8,ix,x} d. 29 Oct 1927 in Atlanta (Fulton) GA,^{9,10} buried in Luxomni Baptist Church Cemetery (Gwinnett) GA.¹⁰

1900 census shows her as mother of 11 with 8 still living (all 8 in the household from 1 to 18 yrs old).

1910 census shows her as mother of 13 with 10 still living.

She married 28 Nov 1878 in (Cherokee) GA, **Daniel W. GRICE**, b. 16 Apr 1858 in Georgia,^{5,6,7,8,9} (son of Willis GRICE and Martha EARLY) census 1880 in Dahunega District No. 837 (Lumpkin) GA, census 1900 in Big Creek District (Forsyth) GA, census 1910 in Sugar Hill District 550 (Gwinnett) GA, census 1920 in Atlanta (DeKalb) GA, d. 9 Mar 1927 in Atlanta (Fulton) GA,^{9,10} buried in Luxomni Baptist Church Cemetery (Gwinnett) GA.¹⁰

Daniel: Think I found him living alone in Atlanta in 1920, but it says he is widowed. Daniel died in Mar 1927 and Georgia died in Oct 1927. So Georgia was alive in 1920, but I can't find her on the census. If it is Daniel that I found living alone in Atlanta in 1920, then they were probably separated or divorced.

III. **John Henry Bartow PIERCE**, b. 10 Apr 1863 in Georgia,^{5,6,xi,9} census 1900 in Buncombe District (Polk) GA, census 1920 in Rockmart District 1072 (Polk) GA, d. 17 Aug 1921 in (Polk) GA,⁹ buried in Rockmart (Polk) GA.

1900 census, wife's name is Manda (b. 1867) -- married 11 years (mother of 5 with 4 living). Lived next door to a Coker (b. 1872). Manda may not be Vina -- childrens names and ages are not right. He may have been separated from Vina and living with someone else.

He was living with Vina in 1910 and 1920. Can't find Vina and kids in 1900.

He married 13 Dec 1883 in (Cherokee) GA,⁴ **Vina C. MILLWEE**, b. 1868 in Stilesboro (Bartow) GA,^{8,11,xii} (daughter of _____ MILLWEE and Millie AUSTIN) d. 30 Nov 1928 in (Polk) GA,¹² buried in Hills Creek Baptist Church Cemetery, Rockmart (Polk) GA.¹²

Vina: According to Brenda Pierce -- Mozell Pierce (Daughter of James Richardson Pierce (Son of Bartow Pierce)), believed that Vina was adopted by the Cokers or lived with the Cokers. She does not have any information that verifies this other than a discussion she overheard in childhood. Mozell also believed that Bartow's family had either come from Chicago or visited Chicago and back to GA because John had polio and they believed it was a long trip for him.

Bartow's mother lived in Richland Co., IL in 1900 and 1910 and died in IL in 1917, so the reference to them being in Chicago is valid.

In 1870, there is a Vina (2, GA) living with Susan Orten (68 GA) in Bartow Co., GA. Next door is James W. (or N.) Coker (38 GA) with wife Sarah M. (30) and daug. Nancy (3/12).

In 1880, Vina C. Millwee (11, GA) is living in Bartow Co. with James W. Coker (47 GA) and wife Sarah M. (33 GA). Vina is listed as niece. So the story about Vina living with the Coker's is true.

In 1883 Vina Walch married Bartow Pierce in Cherokee Co, GA (need to see actual marriage record -- Walch may be incorrect). So we have 4 possible maiden names for Vina -- Orten, Millwee, Coker and Walch/Walsh.

1910 census shows Vina as the mother of 10 with 8 still living. Both Vina and Bartow were married *once* for 27 years.

There is a Georgia Death record for Viney Pierce died 30 Nov 1928 in Polk County, GA. This is probably her. Need to order this death certificate.

Found death certificate on-line at LDS Family Search. Viney's husband's name was Bart, father's name Milway, mother's name Millie Austin. So Sarah Orten in 1870 is probably Vina's grandmother and it should be Sarah Osten (Austin). So where did the name Walch come from on her marriage license?

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- i 1840 U.S. Federal Census.
 - ii 1850 U.S. Federal Census.
 - iii 1860 U.S. Federal Census.
 - iv County Marriage Index.
 - v 1870 U.S. Federal Census.
 - vi 1880 U.S. Federal Census.
 - vii 1900 U.S. Federal Census.
 - viii 1910 U.S. Federal Census.
 - ix Georgia Deaths Index, 1914 - 1927 (Ancestry.com).
 - x Find-A-Grave (www.findagrave.com).
 - xi 1920 U.S. Federal Census.
 - xii Death Certificate.