

The story of Timothy younger brother to Joshua Broyles as related by Aunt Minnie

Joshua and Timothy decided to head to Colorado to seek their fortune in gold. Along the way on a very cold winter day they were riding along a frozen creek somewhere in Oklahoma when a terrible cry of a child came up from the creek bank. Thinking a child surely had fallen through the ice and surely would drown right away. They swiftly dismounted and pushing their way through the thicket at between the road and the creek bank. They discovered, much to their dismay an Indian woman holding a baby. She had broken a hole in the ice and was dipping the baby in and out of the ice. Inquiring as to what she thought she was doing she answered "make baby strong"

When they reached Colorado they found no gold. Being without food or funds they took a job as lumber jacks to make enough to get back to Kentucky. They were living in a little one room cabin and after each payday they would take what money was left and hide it in a sack under one of the floor boards. After some period when they were putting their earnings away they discovered that someone had stolen their hard earned savings. They always suspected that one of the local Indians in the area had observed what they were doing and while at work came in and stole their hard earned savings.

Needless to say they got back to Kentucky as they are both listed in the 1860 and 1870 census at Rockholds KY. Timothy must have gone back to the Colorado Kansas area as he is listed in the 1880 census in Rice Kansas.

Here is what I have been able to find out about Timothy from available records.

Timothy S Broyles Born 1846 in Campbell County TN (Elk Valley ) Son of George and Mary Polly (Douglas) Broyles and Younger Brother of Joshua Broyles

Timothy shows up in these Listings

1850 Census Campbell County Tn

1860 Census Watts Creek (Rock holds) KY, Mary Polly listed as head of household

1870 Census Watts Creek (Rockholds) KY, Mary Polly listed as head of household

1877 Married Elva J ??

1880 Census Rice Kansas with wife Elva J and Daughter Meary D

1895 Census Rice Kansas with Wife Elva J, Daughter Della (17) son George (14)

1900 Census Cowley Kansas with Wife Elva J, Daughter Della (22) son George (20)

1910 Census Topeka Kansas with wife Elva and Daughter Della Hunt

1916 Topeka city directory list T. S. and Elva J Broyles at 613 Polk St

1920 Census Topeka Kansas with wife Elva and Daughter Della Hunt and son in law D. E Hunt

1921 Topeka city directory list T. S and Elva J Broyles at 1131 Tyler St

1931 and 1937 Pomona Ca. city directory list Elva J Broyles (widow T. S.) at 205 west F