

farmer and has lived in Daviess County all his life, with the exception of eighteen months. He was married Aug. 23, 1853, to Artemisia Higdon, a native of Nelson County, Ky., born April 7, 1825. They have four children—Catherine, John T., Rosa, William H. Mr. Wilkerson owns 101 acres of fine land five miles southeast of Owensboro, on the Hartford road. Mrs. Wilkerson is a member of the Catholic church.

*John J. Williams*, carpenter and builder, was born Oct. 14, 1828, in Hancock County, Ky., where he resided till forty-five years of age. In 1847 he enlisted in Company F, Fourth Kentucky Infantry, Captain McCrary, and served till the close of the Mexican war. He worked on the river until the breaking out of the Rebellion, flatboating and steamboating. Since the close of the war he has worked at the carpenter's trade and building. He came to Daviess County in 1874. He was married Nov. 24, 1852, to Eliza J. Burnett, a native of Hancock County, Ky., born Oct. 7, 1832. They have six children—John H., born Jan. 2, 1859; James H., born Nov. 10, 1860; Robert E., born Feb. 22, 1866; Viola, born Feb. 6, 1868; L. T., born Nov. 21, 1871, and Letitia C., born Oct. 19, 1873.

*R. I. Wootten*, born in Spencer County, Ky., Feb. 17, 1839, was a son of William H. and Rosalia (Coomes) Wootten, both natives of Nelson County, Ky. His father was born March 25, 1811, and was killed by a guerrilla near Slate Riffle, Ohio Co., Ky. His mother was born in 1815, and died in November, 1860. R. I. was the second of ten children. When quite young his parents moved to Nelson County, where he remained till 1859, when he came to Daviess County. He enlisted in Company B, Third Kentucky Cavalry, U. S. A., and served three years and ten months. After the war he worked at the printer's trade till 1880, when he was appointed Government Storekeeper. He was married March 28, 1864, to Jennie E. Higdon, a native of Owensboro, born in 1841. They have four children—Clara R., born Sept. 25, 1870; John T., born Oct. 1, 1873; Alfred C., born Aug. 1, 1876; Charles R., born Dec. 27, 1882. Mr. Wootten is a member of the Catholic church and of the Catholic Knights of America. He also belongs to No. 3, Department of Kentucky, G. A. R.