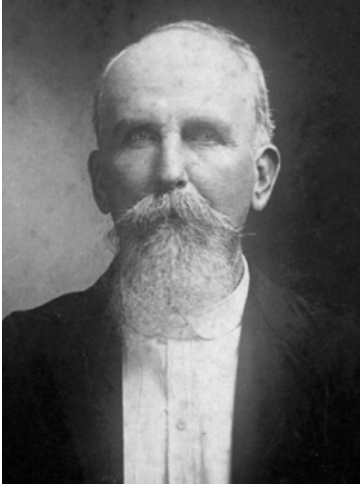

THE FAMILY OF FRANCIS MARION

SHAW



Jesse Shelby "Dock" Shaw, second born son of Francis Marion and Rachel Shaw, married Susan E. Bullard in 1893. In December of 1901, Susie's father, Green Bullard, deeded 132 acres of his property in section 500 and 501 of the 10th district near Cat Creek, to his daughter and son-in-law. After rearing most of their children in a log home adjacent to Possum Branch, the couple built this fine home on a knoll south of Possum Branch in the spring of 1909.

The L-shaped home was large enough to house their nine children and several grandchildren. Its convenient location provided for many social activities in the rural community. The parlor was located in the front of the home, while the kitchen facilities were located in the rear wing. There was a well off of the rear porch, which provided plenty of cool drinking water.

The site of the farm home of Dock and Susie Shaw is about 2 1/2 miles south west of Ray City, Georgia. Take Highway 37 west out of Ray City. Turn south on Possum Branch Road. About 2 miles south, after crossing Possum Branch, the road rises to a knoll. To the left is a new home, built approximately on the site of the Dock Shaw home.

HISTORICAL SITE

JESSE SHELBY "DOCK SHAW FARM HOME

NEAR RAY CITY, GEORGIA

