

Addison Franklin Lewis



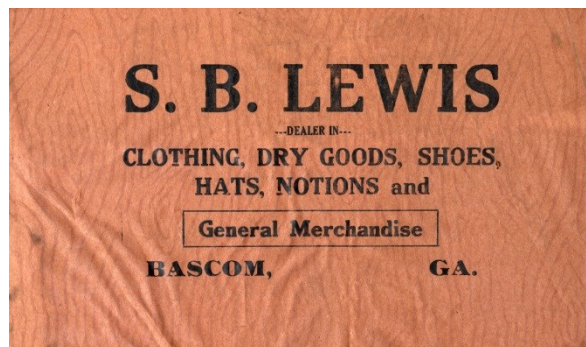
Stephen B. Lewis Home



Addison Franklin Lewis was born April 1, 1869, in Screven County, GA. "Ad" Lewis was the son of Stephen D. Lewis (1828 – 1890) and Martha Elizabeth Howard (1835 – 1918).

Brothers and Sisters of "Ad" Lewis: It was a large family, and "Ad" was the 12th of 16 children, all of whom were born between 1853 and 1877. "Ad" was the brother of Stephen B. Lewis, a prosperous merchant with a store outside of Sylvania, on the Bascom Road.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Born</u>	<u>Died</u>	<u>Years</u>
Stephen D. Lewis	b: July 20, 1828	d: October 13, 1890	62
Martha Elizabeth Howard m. 9/9/1852	b: January 23, 1835	d: October 03, 1918	83
Mary Amanda Lewis	b: September 07, 1853	d: February 03, 1913	59
Lawrence M. Lewis	b: Bet. June - September 20, 1854	d: May 21, 1935	80 est
William Anderson Lewis	b: December 27, 1854	d: December 18, 1904	49
Dr. Alfred Dean Lewis	b: August 25, 1856	d: September 03, 1926	70
Ellen Clementine Lewis	b: February 24, 1857	d: August 12, 1859	2
Sarah "Sallie" Dorcas J E Lewis	b: Bet. May 1858 - 1859	d: January 19, 1912	53 est
Lily "Lizzie" Rosaline Lewis	b: Bet. March 27, 1859 - 1861	d: October 10, 1911	52 est
Stephen "Buddy" Benjamin Lewis	b: September 01, 1862	d: April 03, 1927	64
Dacey "Gillie" Laura Lewis	b: December 1864	d: 1948	84 est
Seaborn Lewis Lewis	b: May 18, 1867	d: June 26, 1938	71
Marion Spillman Lewis	b: November 10, 1868	d: June 08, 1921	52
Addison "Ad" Franklin Lewis	b: April 01, 1869	d: May 13, 1941	72
Susan "Honey" T. Lewis	b: February 05, 1872	d: June 15, 1912	40
Hazler R. Lewis	b: January 10, 1874	d: Bet. September 06, 1905 - 1906	31 est
Rosa-Rosie L. Lewis	b: Bet. December 28, 1875 - 1876	d: February 13, 1906	30 est
Martin L. Lewis	b: December 10, 1877	d: August 07, 1905	27



Children of "Ad" Lewis: On October 27, 1895, "Ad" Lewis married Mary Etta "Sissy" Lariscy, also of Screven County (born August 29, 1875). The couple had nine children over a 19 year period, from 1896 to 1915. Two children, Rudolph and Cecil, did not survive to adulthood.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Born</u>	<u>Died</u>	<u>Years</u>
Mary Eunice Lewis	b: November 18, 1896	d: July 26, 1966	69
Angus Lewis	b: October 18, 1899	d: March 08, 1924	24
Etta Lewis	b: May 06, 1901	d: May 01, 1981	79
Cora Lee Lewis	b: August 13, 1903	d: May 06, 1994	90
Rufus Audrey Lewis	b: November 12, 1905	d: January 03, 1978	72
Rudolph H Lewis	b: August 25, 1908	d: October 05, 1908	0
Louise Lewis	b: June 25, 1911	d: January 08, 2007	95
Cecil Lewis	b: April 30, 1912	d: August 20, 1929	17
Wilma "Bill" Franklin Lewis	b: March 25, 1915	d: January 18, 1980	64



Angus Lewis driving A.F. Lewis' car, before 1924.

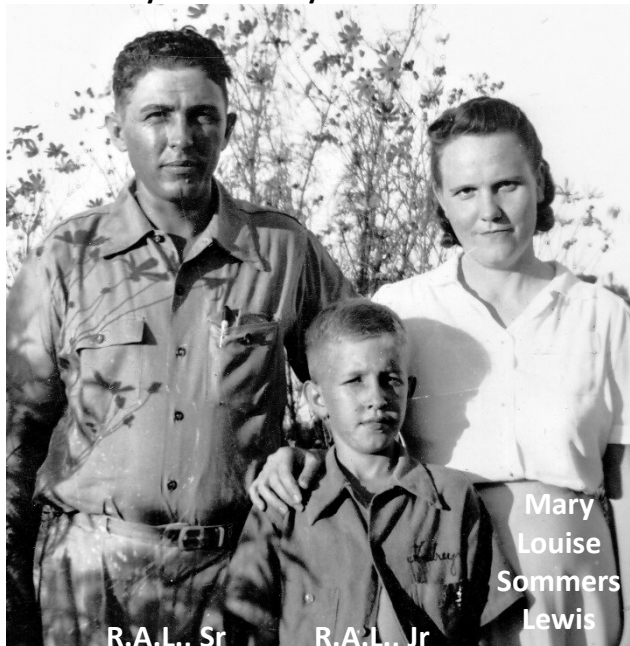


Rufus Audrey Lewis, 1905-1978
1929 Photo



Wilma "Bill" Franklin Lewis

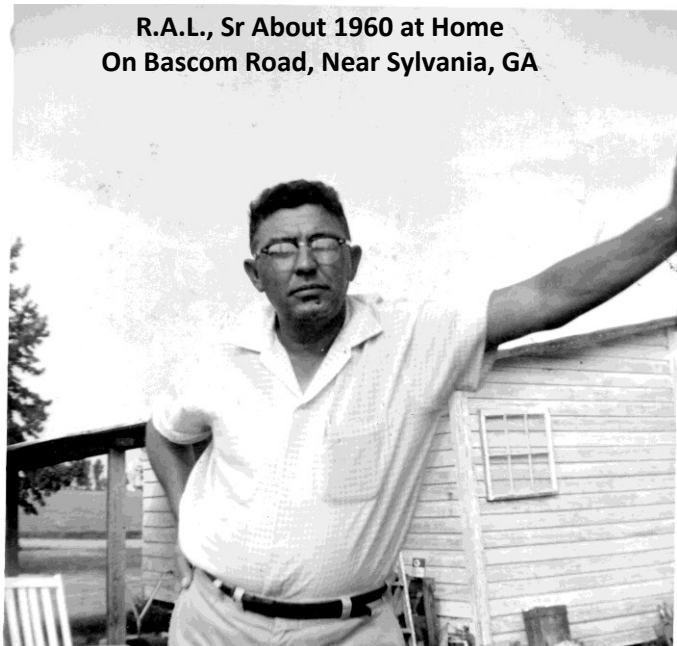
Rufus Audrey Lewis Family



R.A.L., Sr

R.A.L., Jr

Mary Louise Sommers Lewis



**R.A.L., Sr About 1960 at Home
On Bascom Road, Near Sylvania, GA**



**1965 Family Gathering
Sylvania, GA**

R.A.L., Jr., R.A.L., Sr., Bonnie Berinda Lewis & Tommie Lee Bennett

Rufus Audrey Lewis was born in Screven County, GA, into a family that had been farmers and merchants since the early 1800s. He was the 5th of 9 children born to "Ad" Lewis and Mary Etta Lariscy Lewis.

As with many farm families, he dropped out of school after the 4th grade, at age 11, a year before the U.S.A joined WWI. As a young man, he worked on his grandfather's farm near Sylvania.

As an adult, he picked fruit in Florida, ran a farm, did commercial combining, owned a successful store and financed the A. Lewis & Son aerial crop dusting service.

He was prosperous and generous when sober. He struggled with alcohol abuse for much of his life, and was married 8 times.

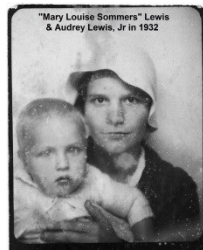
Wives and Children of Rufus Audrey Lewis

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|--------------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|
| (1) Mary Louise Sommers | b: November 21, 1912 | m: September 10, 1927 | d: Feb 14, 1997 at Age 84 |
| Son: Rufus Audrey Lewis, Jr. | b: February 18, 1932 | m: May 2, 1952 | |
| (2) Jackee Eloise Oglesby | b: Abt. 1919 | m: June 11, 1937 | d: ? |
| (3) Mary Louise Sommers | b: November 21, 1912 | m: May 26, 1940 | d: Feb 14, 1997 at Age 84 |
| (4) Edith Dale Evans | b: March 03, 1932 | m: December 07, 1951 | d: May 04, 1993 at Age 61 |
| Daughter: Bonnie Berinda Lewis | b: October 21, 1951 | | |
| Child: Infant Lewis | b: Aft. 1952 | | |
| (5) Doris G. Mock | b: Abt. 1915 | m: December 30, 1955 | d: ? |
| (6) Tommie Lee Bennett | b: Abt. 1921 | m: May 20, 1958 | d: May 31, 1978 at age 57 |

Note: He also married Tommie Lee on 3/11/59 and on 9/30/1966.



Mary Etta Lariscy Lewis
08/29/1875 - 11/29/1959
Wife of Addison F Lewis



"Mary Louise Sommers" Lewis
& Audrey Lewis, Jr in 1932



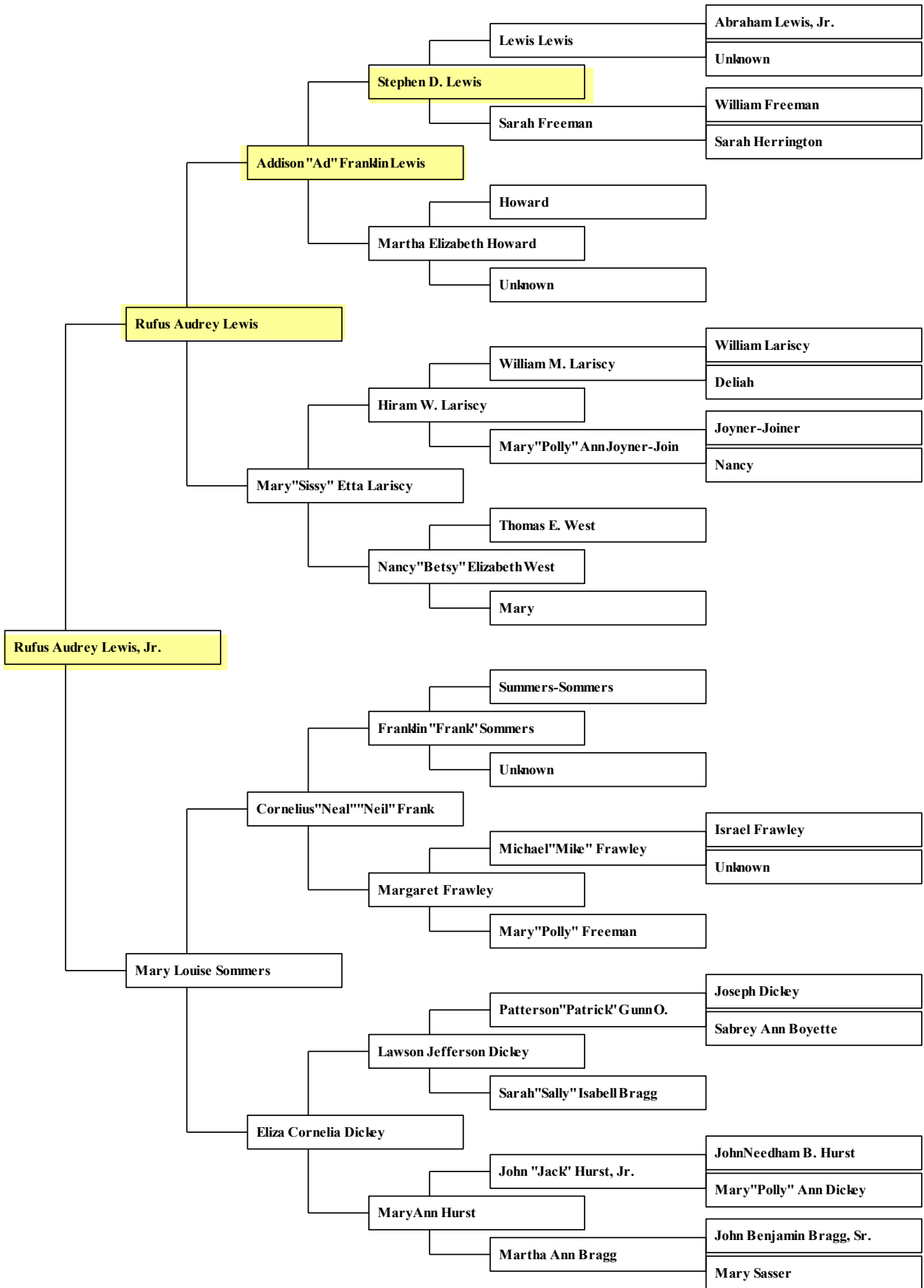
1946 - Age 14
1952



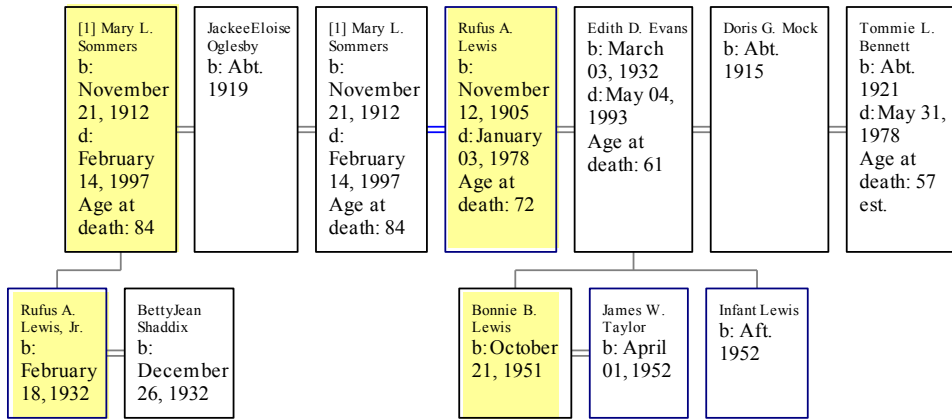
"Mary Louise Sommers" Hayman
Happy Days in Girard, Ga 1952

Lewis Flying Service
AIRPLANE DUSTING AND SPRAYING
Fertilizing, Seeding, Weed Killing
LO 4-3177
Sylvania, Georgia
Audrey Lewis & Son

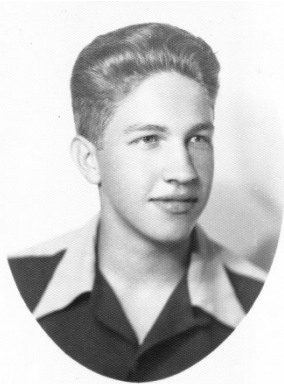
Ancestors of Rufus Audrey Lewis, Jr.



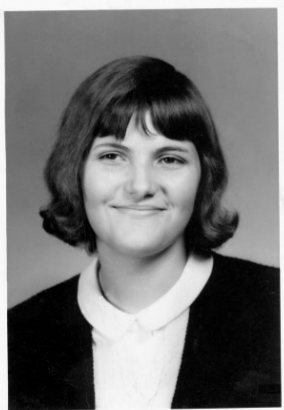
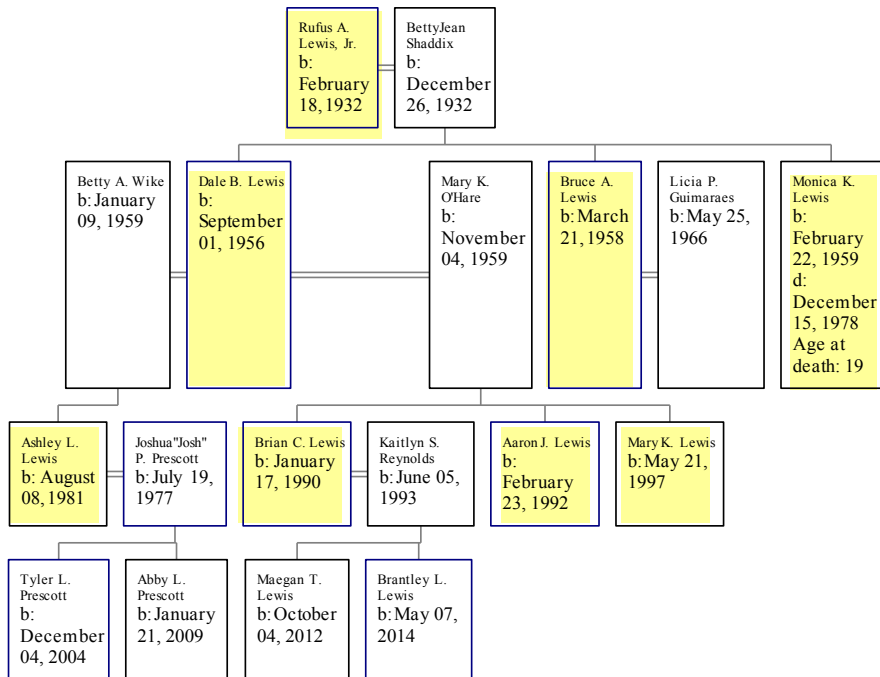
Descendants of Rufus Audrey Lewis



Descendants of Rufus Audrey Lewis, Jr.

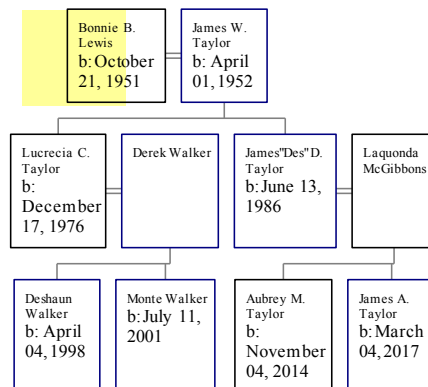


R. A. Lewis, Jr
High School

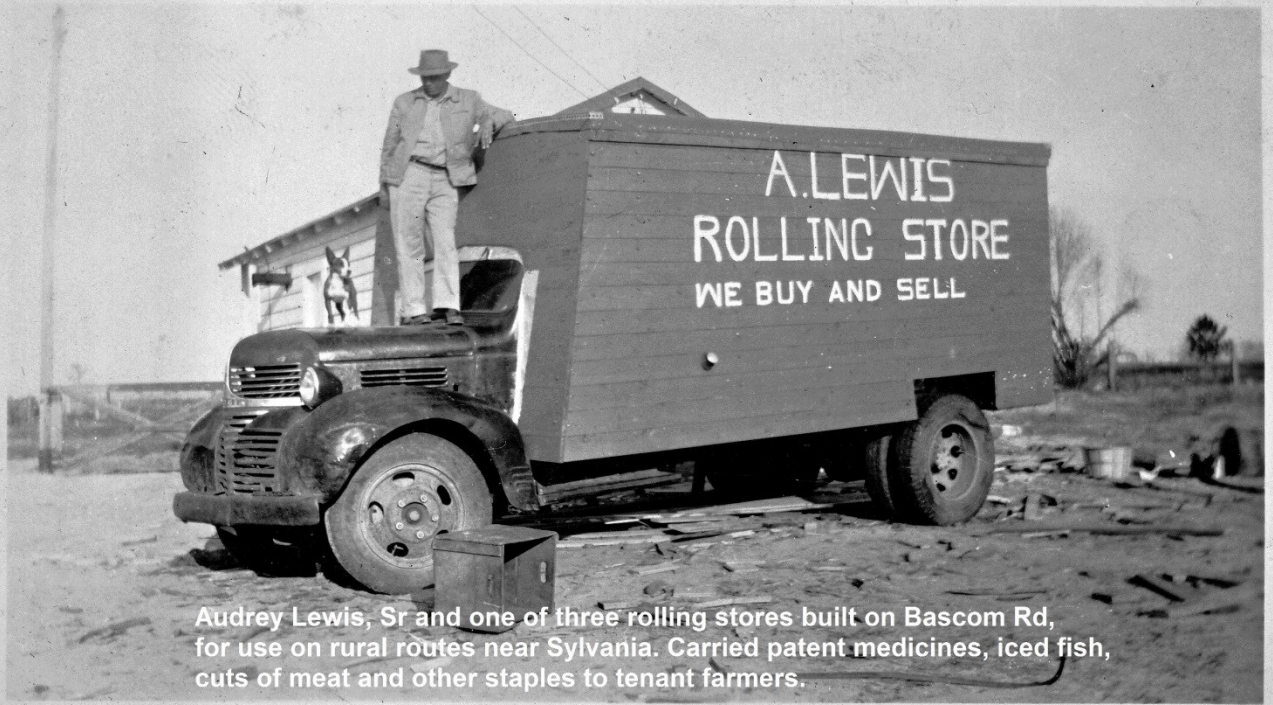


Berinda Lewis
High School

Descendants of Bonnie Berinda Lewis



Berinda Lewis
Grammar School



Audrey Lewis, Sr and one of three rolling stores built on Bascom Rd, for use on rural routes near Sylvania. Carried patent medicines, iced fish, cuts of meat and other staples to tenant farmers.



Vernon Hughes

Coralee Lewis Hughes
(Vernon's Mother)
1929

Louise Sommers Lewis
Age 17 in Florida



Dale, R.A.L. Sr and Berinda Lewis
About 1961

