

BRIEF INTRODUCTION

(April 29, 1969. Today I'm visiting with Lucinda Crittenden King, a sixty-nine year old full-blood Cherokee of Pumpkin Hollow Community, Cherokee County, Oklahoma. Mrs. King has lived in this community all of her life. Tells of many things of it's early history.)

FAMILY OF TOM PUMPKIN - CRITTENDEN

(Well, let's see the original old timer his name was Pumpkin.)

Yeah. Tom Pumpkin was his name.

(Tom Pumpkin.)

I think he had three sons and one of them was Eli.

(Eli.)

And Jim. George. And he had two daughters, Annie and Genevieve. That was the family.

(Where was their old home place?)

Well, it's up in Pumpkin Hollow. Right on that road.

(Yes, ma'am.)

There's two little roads there, you know.

(Yes.)

It's a big rock house right by the road there. That's the old Pumpkin place there. Right by the road there.

(Was there a school and church there at one time?)

Yeah, there used to be a school house there, you know, small schoolhouse. Then they drug it up there to the house and a man from Texas named Bowman bought it.

(Yes ma'am)

And it's been sold several times, since they're all gone. And my grandpa lived up in there, too, all these years. His name was Glen Crittenden. He's still living in Muskogee.