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Warren Holiman, son of James Granston Holiman, was born in North Carolina December 26, 1801, died August 16, 1876. He married Millie Walters in Anson County, North Carolina in 1825. She was born in the same county in 1806. Both are buried at Jacobs Cemetery. The Holliman and Walters families were closely linked through marriage. The Walters family settled on Dead Pine Creek in Anson County, North Carolina. The south line of their farm was the state line between North and South Carolina. It is said that the home of Warren Holiman was in North Carolina and his barn in South Carolina. The names "Elijah" and "Joshua" in our line of Hollimans come from the Walters side. Elijah Walters married Esther Holliman, a sister of Warren, Charles and Cornelius. Warren lived in Anson County until the spring of 1836, when he moved his family to Alabama, and in 1840 he moved to Arkansas. He headed the settlers who carne to what was at that time Saline County, serving as wagon master, settling about one-half mile west of where Trout Trail intersects the Old Military Road, known as the Camden Trail today. Among the early settlers of Fayette and Tuscaloosa Counties, Alabama, were the names of Shepherd, Poe, Yerby, Nall, Guin, Ashcraft, Wright, Wilson, Price and others who had migrated earlier from North and South Carolina. Many of these were in Holiman' s wagon train to Arkansas. ... It is said that Warren Holiman had a cow and a horse hitched together to pull one of his wagons. In 1840, when they arrived at the place they were to call home, it was a wilderness and most of them settled near a lowing spring where wild game was plentiful, as they had to depend on this for a part of their food. The Warren Holiman house was located on a rather steep hill just above this free flowing spring, which is still flowing and has a plank curb. Warren brought no slaves as did many of the settlers who carne about 1850. He did not believe in slavery, and none of his children owned slaves except Elijah, whose wife Nancy inherited some from her grandfather, John Poe, who came to Arkansas in 1850 with twenty slaves. He was said to be a witty man, and educated above the average for his day. Among his accomplishments were: member of the state legislature and Internal Improvement Commissioner. He is believed to be the first Mason in what is now Grant County. On January 7, 1873, a lodge, the Adoniram #1288 F. & A.M. was organized on the Hicks Sugar Farm near Old Belfast Spring in Grant County with the following officers and charter members: Worshipful Master - Dr. Jacob W. Hall; Senior Warden - J. W. Graves; Junior Warden - Warren Holiman; with William Lett, Elijah Holiman, Dr. Thomas Page, D. J. McDonald, Hiram Holiman, and James Caple as members. They met in the upper story of a big log store at Old Belfast. Later the lodge was moved to Sardis and from there to Mabelvale where it is still active. We have not been able to learn where Holiman was initiated into the lodge first, but are working on that as we are on other stories that we have not exactly pin-pointed. Warren Holiman was a leader and held firmly to his convictions. In 1841, the next year after their arrival in Arkansas, he helped to establish Liberty Church, known first as Lost Creek Meeting House, later changed to Liberty. It disbanded in May 1946. He, with W. Poe, some of the Halberts, Wilsons and some from what is now Shaw Township in Saline County, and possibly others, had made a map for a new county just prior to the Civil War. The boundaries were not the same as Grant County. The center of the county would have been in Liberty Community and that was to be the county seat. They had chosen the name Anson for the county and Poe for the county seat. After the Civil War a Colonel Vance came to power. The county was named for a federal general and the county seat for another federal general. Afterward, the part that included Shaw Township (the lower part) was partitioned out into Saline County. Politically, he was a Whig, later a Republican. It is still unproven because of the different spelling of names, but we are fairly certain that Ezekiel Holliman, who baptized Rodger Williams and helped establish the First Baptist Church in America, is connected with our ancestry. When you view the Old Belfast Memorial, the name Waven Holleman on the front as one of the early postmasters should be Warren Holiman. The mistake was made due to dim and faded records. The Warren Hollimans had ten children. Four of the ten were born in North Carolina, two in Alabama, and four in Arkansas.

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