

## The Family of John and Elizabeth Brooks

Census Enumerators listed names and dates as they understood the registrant who oft times had little or no education which led to numerous errors in names, dates and ages. I have tried to copy the census as recorded, where errors occur, I apologize. Death certificates are not available in Spartanburg for years before 1917 and Obituaries have not been put on microfilm for the years 1924 through 1929.



The 1860 Spartanburg/Bivingsville Census listed the household as;

John Brooks 57, husband/machinist/assets \$2500.00      Wife; Elizabeth 38  
Children;    Adolphus 14            Mary E. 8            Sara J. 6  
Washington Wright 38, mulatto/farm labor  
Benj. Jackson 18, mulatto/farm labor  
Margaret Jackson 16, mulatto/farm labor

The 1870 Spartanburg Township Census listed the household as;

John Brooks 48, farmer/assets \$1600.00                      Wife; Elizabeth 49  
Children;    Mary 18, school teacher                      Josephine 16  
James Andy 21, mulatto/farm labor  
John Davis 21, mulatto/farm labor  
Jane Price 18, mulatto/farm labor



The Family of Adolphus Brooks, son of John and Elizabeth Brooks;

The 1870 Spartanburg Township Census listed the household as;

Adolphus Brooks 24, husband/mechanic/assets \$100.00      Wife; Leitra 23  
Children;    Cora 2            Lula 1  
Judy Balotta 67,  
Elizabeth Price 14, domestic help

The 1880 Spartanburg Township/Limestone Spring Census listed the household as;

Adolphus Brooks 35, farmer                                      Wife; Lethia  
Children;    Cora 12            Elizabeth 6  
No other records were found on the Brooks.



All Federal Census Records and *Spartanburg Herald Journal* Obituaries courtesy of the Spartanburg, County Library.

Writers comments; The Brooks were before my day but I do know that a Brooks family owned land joining the [Bivingsville](#) property back in the early 1800s. I do not know if this was the same family.

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