

I remember back in the twenties Grandpa and Grandma Fountain lived in Ray City. After Uncle Leo married Aunt Clara, they always lived together. We as children liked to go out back of their house [where there] was an old barn. I liked fried cushaw + she would always fry some when we went. The old barn was covered with the cushaw vines. They ran everywhere. The large cushaw ran all over the barn. They had a garden by the old barn—you could see the cushaw. Grandma died in 1932 [see footnote]. She had a stroke + then got burned trying to fry fish at Aunt Essie's. Aunt Eula lived side by side on Tatnall Street in Savannah. Grandpa + Grandma went to stay with Aunt Eula. Aunt Eula went to the hospital to have Betty so Grandpa went over to Aunt Essie's to look after the children so to speak + Eula's two small children. So Aunt Essie decided she would go to the hospital + left Grandma with all the children. It was getting late so Grandma tried to fry the fish. This was some time after her stroke. Uncle Pollard had a second-hand furniture store in their backyard also had trucks to move things for people. They all lived upstairs ??? someone else lived on the bottom. The houses were built side by side you could almost reach out the window + touch the house next to you. Uncle Pollard had a good business. He would bring money for Mama to keep for him until he got enough to buy Ray's Pond. They had married + Grandpa had the pond in his possession for years before that. Grandpa then went + ground meal + grits. Uncle Pollard didn't know or was busy fishing + selling fish. After Uncle Leo died of blood poisoning, Grandpa later came and lived with us. He would sometimes visit his other children for a short time. Of course, he was real glad Uncle Pollard bought the pond back.

Grandpa was a type person the grass was greener just over the way.

Grandma was a Thompson from Vidalia, Ga. Her father left her with lots of property + money. Grandpa ran through with it.