

either Joe or William Francis. She also lived with Nebraska. Everyone was very fond of Louise. John remembers her well. She was a very sweet person. We know that one of Nebraska's step children, my (John's) grandfather, Roby, left home soon after the marriage. He didn't like Nebraska. Savez's children had moved back with Savez when he married Nebraska. Their aunt, Betty Hall, with whom they had been living, died in 1883 or 1884. Savez's brother, Dr. Joe, wrote in an 1890 letter to a relative in Nova Scotia that he had lost his mother, a sister and a brother since 1884. That gives us a time frame for Maria Louisa's death.

### Savez' Life

You must have all the information you need on Savez's life . Among the things we are mailing you are pages giving birth dates, marriage dates and death dates. They look like they are pages from a Bible or special book. Short accounts of his childhood are given in his obits and also in an account by Joe Read (You'll recognize it. The Xerox is white on black)

Savez was certainly surrounded by family---grandparents and aunts and uncles nearby, a sister and three brothers. Losing his father at age ten must have been very difficult. He experienced both plantation and city life in Hinds County and in Jackson.

In 1860 he was graduated from Annapolis, and immediately went into the navy. When the war broke out, he remained loyal to his state of Mississippi and resigned his commission and went to Raymond, where his mother was living, and awaited his assignment to the Confederate navy. It was there and then that he met Rosa Hall.

They married December 3, 1867 in Raymond, a long engagement. Rosa died in 1878 in Biloxi, along with a daughter, six year old Alice. They both died of yellow fever and were buried there. Son Mallory was an infant, Roby was eight, and Louise was three. Two boys already had died in infancy.

Savez died January 20, 1890. Roby was only 20, Louise 15, and Mallory 12. He had married Nebraska Carter in 1884 and May Elizabeth Read was born March 3, 1885 in New Orleans. A son who died in infancy had also been born a year or two later. After Savez's death, Nebraska married N.C. May. A few years later she had her name changed back to Read. We have seen census reports where she was living with her daughter May in Hattiesburg and also in Gulfport (where her brother lived). In Gulfport in 1910 she was running a rooming house. In 1920 they moved to California. When we knew them they were living in Burbank. May worked on a newspaper. She was a lot of fun with a quick temper and a lot of sparkle and energy. Nebraska died in 1928. She is buried beside her husband in Meridian according to cemetery records there. May Read died in San Bernardino on August 18, 1951. She once had a place in the near by mountains at Big Bear that she often visited.