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Martin Luther Hallmark, born 1847 in Houston County, was a son of Alfred M. and Sarah Hallmark. He married around 1868, a Mary "CREWS" who was born about 1847 in Mississippi. They had five children: Cora Eliza born 1869, George Wesley born 1871, Steven born 1873, C. J. born 1875, and Melinda born 1877.

Mary "Crews" Hallmark died between 1877 and 1880; by the time of the 1880 census Martin was a widower married Melissa Frazier.

Who was this Mary "Crews"? Was her name really "Cruce"? Was she a daughter of Lemuel Washington or Malinda Jones? If so, she was my great-grandmother's younger sister. If anyone with ties to Houston County descended from this Hallmark family has any snippet of information -- an old Bible record, old letter, anything information about Mary, it would go a long way toward identifying her.

Thanks in advance.

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