

# Dufilho Ancestry of Southern Louisiana

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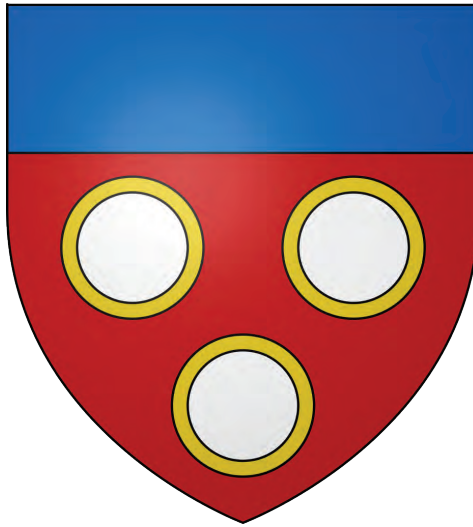
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## Preface

Over the past 30 years, I have conducted much research and collected many pictures, original records, manuscripts, and stories about the Dufilho families of southern Louisiana. During my research, I realized that a complete picture of the genealogy of these families had never been published. I felt that compiling a book was the best way to share this information with family members in a format that is hopefully easily accessible to everyone.

I have attempted to appeal to the casual reader with the stories, photographs, and manuscripts so the memories of the families therein are not forgotten. I have also attempted to appeal to the serious genealogist by including detailed genealogies with all available source citations.

As with any work of genealogy, research is not always accurate; mistakes are always present. Family history is a living work and always a work in progress. Although I have spent countless hours reviewing and correcting as much as possible, I know there are still gaps and errors. In some cases, exact birth, death, and marriage dates may be incorrect or incomplete. I have striven to research and include as many different sources as available. I am always happy to hear from relatives and to accept additional information or corrections to be included in future editions. The best way to contact me is via my family history website at <https://holliergenealogy.info> or via email at [mhollier@yahoo.com](mailto:mhollier@yahoo.com).

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*Surely God is my salvation;  
I will trust and not be afraid.  
The Lord, the Lord himself, is my strength and my defense;  
he has become my salvation.  
– Isaiah 12:2*





# Overview



Alexander Debrunner. *Copy and translation from the original Spanish plan dated 1798, showing the City of New Orleans, its fortifications, and environs* (New Orleans: Printed by H. Wehrmann, 1875). From the Library of Congress, <https://lcn.loc.gov/2003627055>.



## *About the Genealogical Numbering System*

The NGSQ is a genealogical numbering system developed by the National Genealogical Society. This genealogical numbering system has a lot in common with the Register System, with a major difference in that the NGSQ numbering system assigns numbers to all children in each family, whether or not they have documented descendants. It is the standard for genealogies published in the National Genealogical Society Quarterly (NGSQ), for which it is named, and many other genealogical publications.

The progenitor is given the number 1. Each child is then numbered in order of birth with lower-case Roman numerals (e.g., i, ii, iii, etc.). Furthermore, each individual is assigned a number, and the individuals who have documented descendants are further indicated by the addition of a plus sign (+) in front of their number.

**Generation number**      **Immigrant notation**

28. Charles Remi<sup>2</sup> Dufilho (Edmond<sup>1</sup>, Louis<sup>b-2</sup>, Jean<sup>a-1</sup>), son of Edmond Dufilho and Odeide, born in October 1841 at New Orleans, Orleans Parish, Louisiana.<sup>1</sup> He died at age 83 on 1 March residence on the Opelousas-Washington highway in St. Landry Parish, Louisiana.<sup>2</sup> He was buried in St. Landry Catholic Cemetery in Opelousas, St. Landry Parish, Louisiana.<sup>3</sup>

**Individual number**

Children of Charles Remi Dufilho and Marie Antoinette Debailon:

+ 55    i.    AIMEE ODEIDE<sup>3</sup> DUFILHO, born 15 February 1868 at New Orleans;<sup>4</sup> baptized at Sacred Jesus Catholic Church in Ville Platte, Evangeline Parish, Louisiana;<sup>5</sup> died 28 November 1897 at Washington, St. Landry Parish, Louisiana;<sup>6</sup> buried in Cedar Hill Cemetery in Washington, St. Landry Parish, Louisiana;<sup>7</sup> married 8 November 1887 at Sacred Heart of Jesus Catholic Church in Ville Platte, Evangeline Parish, Louisiana;<sup>8</sup> married 8 November 1887 at Sacred Heart of Jesus Catholic Church in Ville Platte, Evangeline Parish, Louisiana.<sup>8</sup>

+ 56    ii.    EDMÉE LOUISE DUFILHO, born 9 July 1869 at New Orleans;<sup>9</sup> died 23 April 1948 at Los Angeles County, California;<sup>10</sup> married 6 February 1897 at St. Landry Catholic Church in Opelousas, Stanislaus Lambert.<sup>11</sup>

+ 57    iii.    ANTONIA M. DUFILHO, born about 1870 at New Orleans;<sup>12</sup> died 25 August 1943 at Houston County, Texas;<sup>13</sup> married 17 April 1895 at St. Landry Catholic Church in Opelousas, Stanislaus Lambert.<sup>14</sup>

58    iv.    JEANNE/JANE LEOCADIE ARSENE "AUNT MAI" DUFILHO, born 11 November 1872 in St. Landry Parish;<sup>15</sup> baptized at St. Landry Catholic Church in Opelousas;<sup>16</sup> died 10 August 1943 at Opelousas;<sup>17</sup> buried in St. Landry Catholic Cemetery in Opelousas, most likely in the tomb where her parents are buried.<sup>18</sup> She was blind and never married.

**Indicator for individuals carried forward**      **Birth order number**      **Reference citation number**

**Figure 1. National Genealogical Society Quarterly (NGSQ) numbering system example**

In Figure 1, Charles Remi Dufilho is a second-generation American descendant, so he is assigned the generation number 2. His father is Edmond, who is assigned the generation number 1. His grandfather, Louis, is a second-generation immigrant and is, therefore, assigned the generation *b-2*. Charles Remi's first child, Aimee Odeide, is assigned the unique individual number 55 with a plus sign (+) indicating she has documented descendants. His fourth child is assigned the unique individual number 58 without a plus sign (+) indicating she does not have any documented descendants. Note that some individuals may have descendants, but they may simply not be documented as part of this work.



## *How to Navigate This Book*

There is no order in which you should necessarily read this book. You can begin reading an individual's biographical sketch and then navigate forward or backward to suit your interest.

There are several ways to navigate this book. The overall organization is according to genealogical descendancy, meaning the earliest ancestors appear first, and each major section is according to generations. The basic unit for presenting information is the family group or sketch. The sketch contains the main person in the line of descent, his or her spouse(s), and a list of children. It also includes biographical information, photos, and other details of interest.

### Table of Contents

The table of contents notes each individual's unique number as well as his or her line of descent. For example, by looking at the following entry in the table of contents, you will know that Jean Marie Dufilho is the son of Charles Remi<sup>2</sup> and a third-generation descendent of Louis<sup>b-2</sup>. In addition, his unique number is 74, and his main biographical sketch begins on page 168.

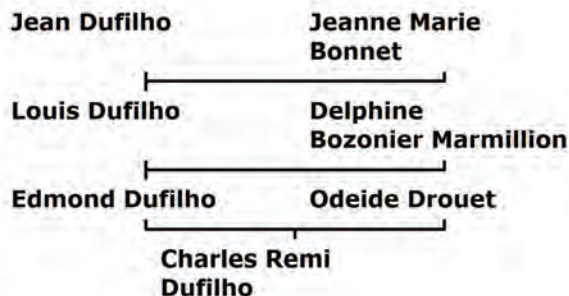
74. **John Marie Dufilho** (Charles Remi<sup>2</sup>, Edmond<sup>1</sup>, Louis<sup>b-2</sup>, Jean<sup>a-1</sup>) ..... 168

### Index

Every name appears in the index. Name variations are also indexed, and women's names are indexed by both their birth surname as well as their married name(s).

### Appendices

The appendices contain supplemental information that was too cumbersome to include in the main section of the book. They include a wealth of information to better understand details about certain individuals as well as historical information.



A direct line descendancy chart, also called a parentage chart, is a navigational aid for understanding how a person is descended from the first-generation immigrant. In this book, Jean Dufilho is the key first generation Dufilho immigrant to Louisiana. In the example at left, Charles Remi is the son of Edmond Dufilho and Odeide Drouet, the grandson of Louis Dufilho and Delphine Bozonier Marmillion, and the great-grandson of Jean Dufilho and Jeanne Marie Bonnet.

## *Key to Manuscript Transcription Notes*

**Square brackets.** Brackets are editorial insertions that expand, correct, or clarify the text. This may include letters or words that are not in the original manuscript. For example, [*torn*] would indicate that the original manuscript is torn.

**Sic.** Incorrect spelling, archaic spelling, or any other errors in the original manuscript are followed by [sic]. Sic is a Latin adverb which means “thus was it written.”

**Signature marks.** When a document is signed by an individual using their “mark,” this is transcribed as “[his/her mark +]” followed by the name of the individual. This is used by illiterate document signers.

**Uncertain readings.** If a reading is uncertain, then the entire word or phrase in question is followed by a question mark and enclosed in square brackets. For example, [demijohns?].

**Illegible readings.** If a portion of a manuscript is illegible, then an appropriate *italicized* remark in brackets is included. Common remarks for illegible readings are: [*illegible*], [*torn*], [*ink smeared*]. If the transcriber is unable to decipher a portion of text, then a comment such as [2 words *undeciphered*] may be used. Alternatively, a series of em dashes (—) enclosed in brackets may be used to denote the number of illegible or undeciphered words. For example, [—] may be used to indicate two undeciphered words.

**Undeciphered letters.** Dots may be used within the brackets to indicate the number of undeciphered letters. For example, demi[. . .]s indicates that four letters in the manuscript could not be deciphered. If the number of letters cannot be determined, then [*illegible*] may be used. For example: demi[*illegible*]s.

## *French Pronunciation Guide*

### **French Vowels**

Below are the typical pronunciations of vowels in French.

- a** pronounced like the short “a” in the English word *father*. Example: *famille*
- à** pronounced like the short “a” in the English word *father*. Example: *là*
- â** pronounced like the short “o” in the English word *hot* Examples: *âges, âne*
- e** pronounced like English “ə” (schwa) sound, in the English word *the*. Example: *le*
- è** pronounced like the short “e” in the English word *bed*. Example: *père*
- ê** pronounced like the short “e” in the English word *bed*. Example: *tête*.
- é** pronounced like the long “a” in the English word *way*. Example: *décédé*.
- ë** pronounced separately from the preceding vowel, like the short “e” in the English word *bed*. Example: *Noël*.
- i** pronounced like the long “e” in the English word *fee*. Example: *dix*.
- î** pronounced like the long “e” in the English word *fee*. Example: *île*.
- ï** pronounced separately from the preceding vowel, like the long “e” in the English word *fee*. Example: *naïf*.
- o** pronounced either like the long “o” in the English word *cold* or pronounced like English “ə” (schwa) sound in the English word *ton*. Examples: *rose, bottes*.
- ô** pronounced like the long “o” in the English word *boat*. Examples: *hôtel, côté*.
- u** pronounced similar to the “ou” in the English word *soup*, but with the lips pursed. Example: *musique*.
- ù** pronounced similar to the “ou” in the English word *soup*, but with the lips pursed. Example: *où*
- û** pronounced similar to the “ou” in the English word *soup*, but with the lips pursed. Example: *sûr*.
- ü** pronounced separately from the preceding letter, similar to the “ou” in the English word *soup*, but with the lips pursed. Example: *aigüe*.
- y** when used as a vowel, pronounced like the long “e” in the English word *fee*. Example: *sympa*.

Note that certain symbols written above a vowel (called diacritics) usually either change the pronunciation of the vowel or otherwise distinguish two words spelled the same. French uses the five following types of diacritics.

é	the acute accent
â/ê/î/ô/û	the circumflex
à/è/ù	the grave accent
ë/ï/ü	the trema

## French Vowel Combinations

<b>ai</b>	pronounced like the short “e” in the English word <i>bed</i>
<b>au</b>	pronounced like the long “o” in the English word <i>boat</i>
<b>eau</b>	pronounced like the long “o” in the English word <i>boat</i>
<b>ei</b>	pronounced like the short “e” in the English word <i>bed</i>
<b>eu</b>	pronounced like the “e” in the English word <i>her</i>
<b>oeu</b>	pronounced like the “e” in the English word <i>her</i>
<b>oi</b>	pronounced like the “wa” in the English word <i>waffle</i>
<b>ou</b>	pronounced like the “ou” in the English word <i>soup</i>
<b>ue</b>	pronounced like the “weh” sound in the English word <i>suede</i>
<b>ui</b>	pronounced like the “wee” sound in the English word <i>kiwi</i>

## French Nasal Sounds

When followed by “m” or “n”, French vowels have a nasal pronunciation. This is similar to nasal-like vowels in English words such as *sing* and *impossible*, but the nasal consonants “n” and “m” are still pronounced. In French, these consonants are not pronounced when they follow a nasal vowel but are rather integrated into the vowel pronunciation.

## French Consonant Clusters

<b>ch</b>	pronounced like the “sh” sound in the English word <i>shirt</i>
<b>sch</b>	pronounced like the “sh” sound in the English word <i>shirt</i>
<b>gn</b>	pronounced like the “ni” in the English word <i>onion</i>
<b>ph</b>	pronounced as “f”
<b>th</b>	pronounced as “t”
<b>ti</b>	pronounced as “s”

## Letters Usually Silent in French

The final letter in most French words is usually not pronounced. Exceptions include the letters B, C, F, K, L, Q, and R, and when the next word starts with a vowel.

In addition, “h” is typically silent in French pronunciation regardless of where it is in the word.

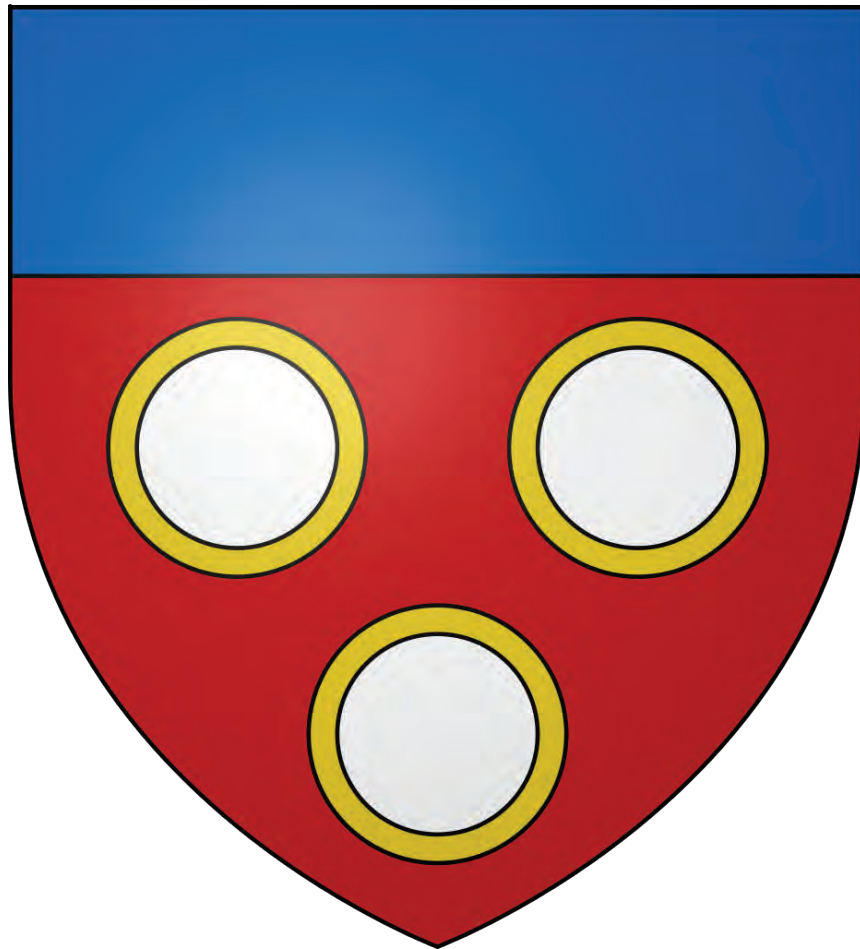
## *Abbreviations*

This section provides a guide to the various abbreviations used throughout this book. When citing a source derived from other sources, abbreviations from derived works such as *Southwest Louisiana Records* will be used as given in the original work.

<b>ca.</b>	circa (about)
<b>Ch.</b>	Church
<b>col.</b>	Column
<b>Ct. Hse.</b>	Court House
<b>Dr.</b>	Doctor
<b>FHL</b>	The Family History Library, genealogical research facility in Salt Lake City, Utah.
<b>Fr.</b>	Father (Catholic priest)
<b>Hon.</b>	Honorable
<b>Ibid.</b>	Abbreviation for the Latin term <i>ibidem</i> used to provide an endnote or footnote citation or reference for a source that was cited in the preceding endnote or footnote.
<b>Jr.</b>	Junior
<b>Laf. Ch.</b>	Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist in Lafayette, Lafayette Parish, Louisiana
<b>Lt.</b>	Lieutenant
<b>Mme./Mlle.</b>	Madame/Mademoiselle
<b>Ms./Mss.</b>	Manuscript/Manuscripts
<b>Mr.</b>	Mister or Monsieur
<b>NARA</b>	National Archives and Records Administration
<b>no.</b>	number
<b>not. pub.</b>	notary public
<b>Opel. Ch.</b>	St. Landry Catholic Church in Opelousas, St. Landry Parish, Louisiana
<b>Opel. Ct. Hse.</b>	Opelousas Court House, St. Landry Parish, Louisiana
<b>p.</b>	page
<b>pp.</b>	pages
<b>St.</b>	Saint
<b>Sts.</b>	Saints or streets
<b>Succ.</b>	Succession
<b>SLC</b>	St. Louis Cathedral, New Orleans, Orleans Parish, Louisiana.
<b>Sr.</b>	Senior
<b>vol.</b>	volume
<b>VP Ch.</b>	Sacred Heart of Jesus Catholic Church in Ville Platte, Evangeline Parish, Louisiana
<b>Vve.</b>	Veuve – French for “widow.”; often used as a title.
<b>Wash. Ch.</b>	Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Washington, St. Landry Parish, Louisiana



# *Louisiana Immigrants ~ First Generation*



Coat of arms of the community of Mirande, the city from whence the Dufilho family immigrated. The arms are described in heraldry as “Azure, three mirrors Argent edged Or.” Mirande is a commune in the Gers department in southwestern France. The above is a public domain image from Wikimedia Commons, <http://commons.wikimedia.org>; citing Roger Bourse and Isidore Dufis, *Armorial commenté des communes du Gers*, Société Archéologique du Gers, 2000. No known coat of arms exists for the Dufilho family.



## *Jean Dufilho*

1. **Jean<sup>a-1</sup> Dufilho** was born about 1765 in Mirande, Gers, Midi-Pyrénées, France.<sup>1</sup> He died at age 60 on or about 15 January 1825 at Charity Hospital in New Orleans, Orleans Parish, Louisiana, and was buried in St. Louis Cemetery No. 1 in New Orleans on 15 January 1825.<sup>2</sup>

Sometime prior to 1 September 1778, he married **Jeanne Marie Bonnet**, probably in Mirande.<sup>3</sup>

The family was known to reside in Mirande between 1778 and 1788, and probably resided there longer than that. Jean and Jeanne Marie were noted as innkeepers on some of the baptismal registers for their children in that time frame. Jean most likely arrived at New Orleans in 1802 with his sons, Louis (no. 2) and Louis Joseph Jr. (no. 8).<sup>4</sup> No evidence has been found that Jeanne Marie emigrated with them and may have died prior to that time.

It is believed that Jean was an apothecary and operated a small shop at 12 Rue de Toulouse in 1805.<sup>5</sup> He was known to associate with Jacques Siame, a master apothecary.<sup>6</sup>

### Known children of Jean Dufilho and Jeanne Marie Bonnet:

- + 2     i.     LOUIS<sup>b-2</sup> DUFILHO, born 1 September 1778 in Mirande;<sup>7</sup> baptized 2 September 1778 in the Catholic Parish of the Notre Dame in Mirande;<sup>8</sup> died 1 October 1823 in New Orleans;<sup>9</sup> buried 2 October 1823 in St. Louis Cemetery No. 1;<sup>10</sup> married 24 April 1805 at St. John the Baptist Church in Edgard, St. John the Baptist Parish, Louisiana, Aimée Delphine Bozonier Marmillion.<sup>11</sup>
- + 3     ii.     JAQUETTE<sup>b</sup> DUFILHO, born 26 June 1779 in Mirande;<sup>12</sup> baptized 27 June 1779 at the Catholic Church of Notre Dame in Mirande.<sup>13</sup>
- + 4     iii.     JEAN GABRIEL<sup>b</sup> DUFILHO, born 10 October 1780 in Mirande;<sup>14</sup> baptized 12 October 1780 at the Catholic Church of Notre Dame in Mirande.<sup>15</sup>
- + 5     iv.     JEAN GABRIEL<sup>b</sup> DUFILHO, born 14 September 1781 in Mirande.<sup>16</sup>
- + 6     v.     MARIE JEACQUETTE<sup>b</sup> DUFILHO, born 20 December 1782 in Mirande;<sup>17</sup> baptized the same day at the Catholic Church of Notre Dame in Mirande.<sup>18</sup>
- + 7     vi.     JEAN<sup>b</sup> DUFILHO, born 14 June 1784 in Mirande;<sup>19</sup> baptized the same day at the Catholic Church of Notre Dame in Mirande.<sup>20</sup>
- + 8     vii.     LOUIS JOSEPH<sup>b-2</sup> DUFILHO JR., born about 1788 in Mirande;<sup>21</sup> died 15 April 1856 at La Rue near Blois, Loir-et-Cher, Centre, France;<sup>22</sup> married 29 April 1819 at St. John the Baptist Church in Edgard, Emy Adèle Becnel.<sup>23</sup>

The original Catholic Parish Church of Notre Dame baptismal registers have been transcribed and translated and are presented below.

The baptismal register for Louis Dufilho (no. 2), shown in Figure 2, was recorded as follows:<sup>24</sup>

[*Original in French*]

L'an mil sept cent soixante dixhuit le mardi 1er de Septembre est né, et le lendemain a été baptisé dans l'église de Mirande Louis Dufilhol fils au Sr Jean Dufilhol et à Jeanne Marie Bonnet mariés ensemble dans la presente ville. Parrein le Sr Meliton Bonnet, frere de lepouse. Marraine Marianne Dufilhol soeur du pere signés avec moi [*signatures*]

[English Translation]

In the year seventeen hundred seventy-eight, on Tuesday, first day of September, was born, and the next day baptized in the Church of Mirande, Louis Dufilhol [sic], son of Jean Dufilhol [sic] and Jeanne Marie Bonnet, who married in the present city. Sponsors were Meliton Bonnet, the child's maternal uncle, and Marianne Dufilhol, the child's paternal aunt, who signed with me. [signatures]

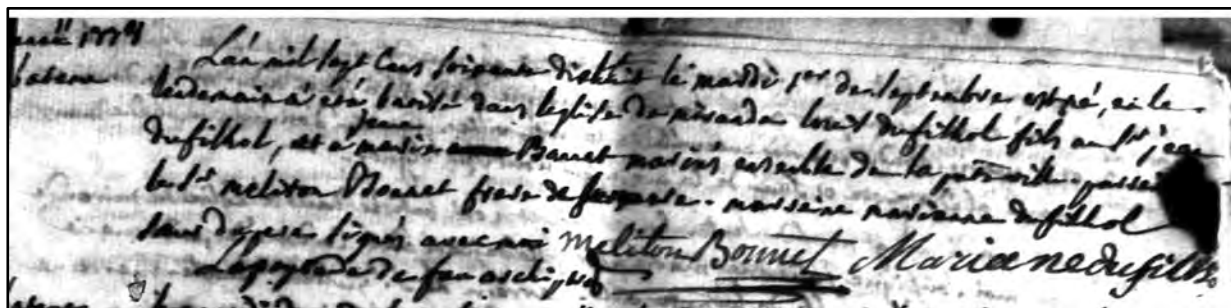


Figure 2. Baptismal register for Louis Dufilho, 1778.

The baptismal register for Jaquette Dufilho, shown in Figure 3, was recorded as follows:<sup>25</sup>

[Original in French]

Ce vendredi vingt sept d'août a été baptisé dans l'église de Mirande par moi soussigné Jaquette Dufilho née hier légitime mariage de Jean Dufilho et de Jeanne Marie Bonnet. Parrain Joseph Dufilho, marraine Marie Jaquette Dufilho. Le parrain a signé avec moi, et non la marraine qui a déclaré non le savoir. [signatures]

[English Translation]

On this Friday, the twenty-seventh day of August [1779], I, undersigned, baptized Jaquette Dufilho in the Church of Mirande, born yesterday of the legitimate marriage between Jean Dufilho and Jeanne Marie Bonnet. Her sponsors were Joseph Dufilho and Marie Jaquette Dufilho. The godfather signed with me, and the godmother declaring not knowing how to sign her name. [signatures]

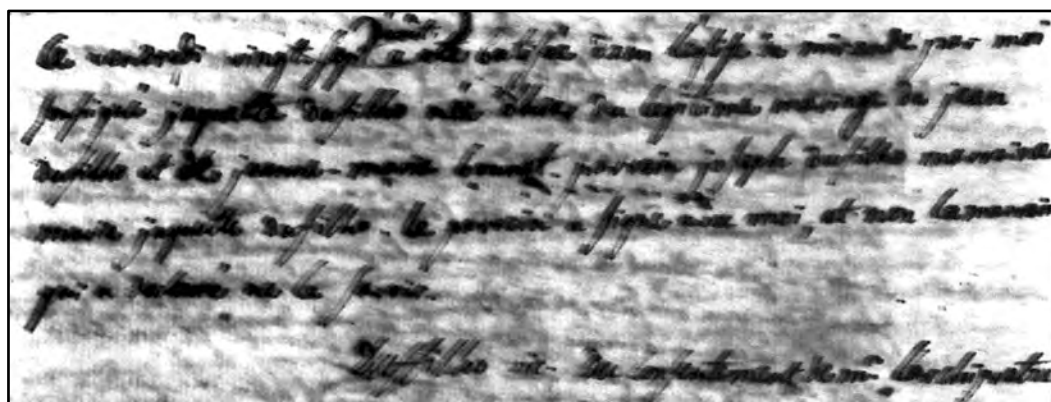


Figure 3. Baptismal register for Jaquette Dufilho, 1779.

The baptismal register for Jean Gabriel Dufilho, shown in Figure 4, was recorded as follows:<sup>26</sup>

[Original in French]

Le jeudi douze d'octobre a été baptisé dans l'église de Mirande par moi soussigné du consentement de Mr lapegrade defan archiprete Jean Gabriel Dufilho né d'avant hier du légitime mariage de jean dufilho et de jeanne marie Bonnet aubergistes. Les parreins sont Joseph Dufilho et Marie Jaquette Dufilho qui n'ont su signer Enfoi de quoi [signatures].

[English Translation]

On Thursday, twelfth day of October [1780], was baptized in the Church of Mirande by me, undersigned, with the consent of archpriest, Lapegrade Defan, Jean Gabriel Dufilho, born the day before yesterday, of the legitimate marriage between Jean Dufilho and of Jeanne Marie Bonnet, inn keepers. Sponsors were Joseph Dufilho and Marie Jaquette Dufilho, who could not sign their names. In testimony whereof [signatures].

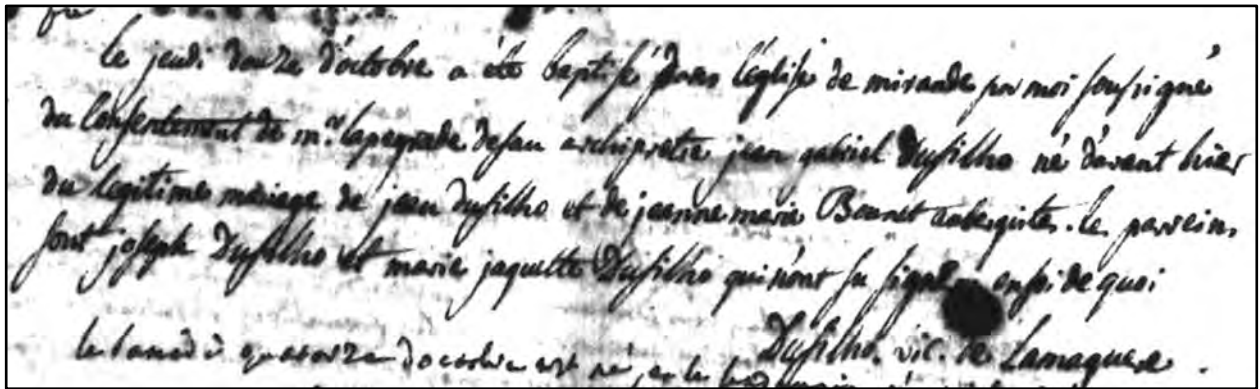


Figure 4. Baptismal register for Jean Gabriel Dufilho, 1780.

The baptismal register for Marie Jeacquette Dufilho, shown in Figure 5, was recorded as follows:<sup>27</sup>

[Original in French]

Le vendredi vingt de décembre a été baptisée dans l'église de Mirande par moi soussigné Marie Jeacquette Dufilho, née aujourd'hui du légitime mariage du Sr Jean Dufilho aubergiste, et de Jeanne Bonnet de cette ville. parrein Mr Jacques Siame Me Apothicaire: Marreine Marie Jeacquette Dufilho soeur de la baptisée. Parrein signé avec moi. En foi de quoi [signatures].

[English Translation]

On Friday, the twentieth day of December, was baptized in the Church of Mirande by me, undersigned, Marie Jeacquette Dufilho, born today of the legitimate marriage between Jean Dufilho, an inn keeper, and Jeanne Bonnet, of this city. Sponsors were Jacques Siame, a master apothecary who signed with me, and Marie Jeacquette Dufilho, the child's sister. In testimony whereof [signatures].

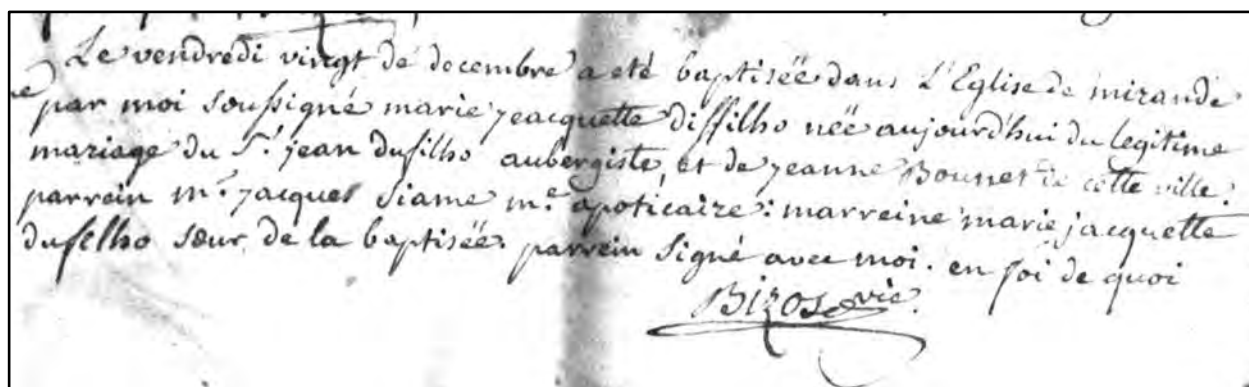


Figure 5. Original baptismal register for Marie Jeacquette Dufilho, 1782.

The baptismal register for Jean Dufilho, shown in Figure 6, was recorded as follows:<sup>28</sup>

[Original in French]

Le quatorzieme jour du mois de juin est né et a été baptisé par moi soussigné dans l'église de Mirande Jean fils légitime de Jean Dufilho aubergiste et de Jeanne Marie Bonnet marraine Gabrielle Dufilho non signée pour ne savoir de ce requis en foi de ce [signature du prêtre]

[English Translation]

On the fourteenth day of the month of June [1784] was born and baptized by me, undersigned, in the Church of Mirande, Jean, legitimate son of Jean Dufilho, an innkeeper, and Jeanne Marie Bonnet. His godmother was Gabrielle Dufilho, who declared not knowing how to sign her name. In testimony whereof [priest's signature].

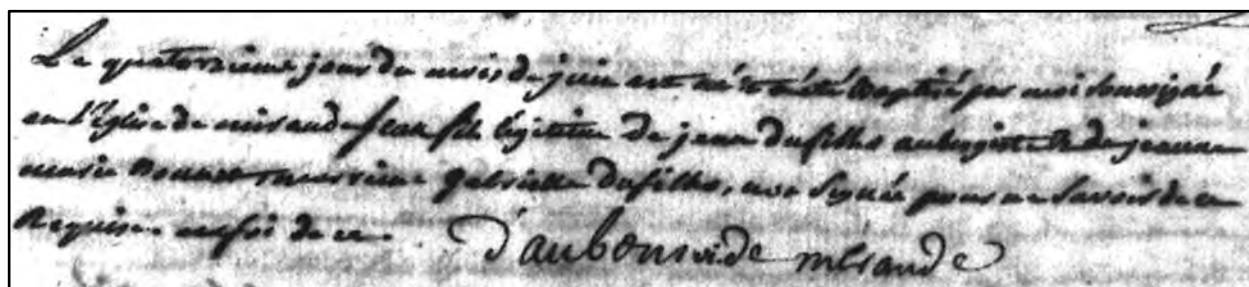


Figure 6. Original baptismal register for Jean Dufilho, 1784.

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- <sup>1</sup> “St. Louis Cemetery No. 1 [New Orleans] Tombstone Index,” (card file, 1934-1940, Louisiana Historical Center, New Orleans), entry for Jean Dufilhot [sic]. Stephen M. Houin, “The Dufilho Family in Louisiana,” *New Orleans Genesis* (January 1986), 1–12; original tomb has not been located at the time of this writing.
- <sup>2</sup> St. Louis Cathedral (New Orleans, Louisiana), Sacramental Certificates, certificate of burial for Jean Dufilhol [sic], 15 January 1825; citing vol. 1824-1827, p. 22, no. 105; certified copy issued by the Archdiocese of New Orleans on 5 June 2020 privately held by Mark Edwin Hollier. “St. Louis Cemetery No. 1 [New Orleans] Tombstone Index,” (card file, 1934-1940, Louisiana Historical Center, New Orleans), entry for Jean Dufilhot [sic].
- <sup>3</sup> France, Gers, Roman Catholic, Parish Church of Notre Dame (Mirande), “Baptêmes, mariages, sépultures 1672, 1676, 1738-1741, 1746-1789 (with gaps),” baptism of Louis Dufilho, 1 September 1778, Family History Library microfilm 2,062,733, item 2; register notes that Jean and Jeanne Marie were married in Mirande, but the original marriage record had not found at the time of this writing.
- <sup>4</sup> “Mr. Louis Dufilho,” obituary, *Le Courrier de la Louisiane* (New Orleans, Louisiana), 6 October 1823, p. 1, col. 3.
- <sup>5</sup> Ibid.
- <sup>6</sup> France, Gers, Roman Catholic, Parish Church of Notre Dame (Mirande), “Baptêmes, mariages, sépultures 1672, 1676, 1738-1741, 1746-1789 (with gaps),” baptism of Marie Jacquette Dufilho, 20 December 1782, Family History Library microfilm 2,062,733, item 2; translated and transcribed by Christophe Landry, Louisiana Historic and Cultural Vistas, 2020.
- <sup>7</sup> France, Gers, Roman Catholic, Parish Church of Notre Dame (Mirande), “Baptêmes, mariages, sépultures 1672, 1676, 1738-1741, 1746-1789 (with gaps),” baptism of Louis Dufilho, 1 September 1778, Family History Library microfilm 2,062,733, item 2.
- <sup>8</sup> Ibid.
- <sup>9</sup> St. Louis Cathedral (New Orleans, Louisiana), Sacramental Certificates, certificate of burial for Louis Dufilho, 2 October 1823; citing vol. 1823-1824, p. 111, no. 1125; certified copy issued by the Archdiocese of New Orleans, 20 June 2020 privately held by Mark Edwin Hollier. “Mr. Louis Dufilho,” obituary, *Louisiana Courier* (New Orleans, Louisiana), 6 October 1823, p. 3. “Louisiana, Orleans Parish Estate Files, 1804-1846,” database with images, *FamilySearch* (<https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:JJZX-76G>; accessed 4 December 2014), Louis Dufilho, 1823; citing probate place Orleans Parish, Louisiana, Probate Court, New Orleans City Archives.
- <sup>10</sup> St. Louis Cathedral (New Orleans, Louisiana), Sacramental Certificates, certificate of burial for Louis Dufilho, 2 October 1823; citing vol. 1823-1824, p. 111, no. 1125; certified copy issued by the Archdiocese of New Orleans, 20 June 2020 privately held by Mark Edwin Hollier. “St. Louis Cemetery No. 1 [New Orleans] Tombstone Index,” entry for Louis Dufilho. according to Louis’s probate, he died on the first of the month and it is therefore assumed that the date on the tombstone index is the date of burial.
- <sup>11</sup> St. John the Baptist Catholic Church (Edgard, Louisiana), Sacramental Certificates, Louis Dufilho and Delphine Bozonier Marmillion marriage record (1805); citing vol. 1, pp. 124A-124B; copy privately held by Mark Edwin Hollier, Opelousas, Louisiana, 2019.
- <sup>12</sup> France, Gers, Roman Catholic, Parish Church of Notre Dame (Mirande), “Baptêmes, mariages, sépultures 1672, 1676, 1738-1741, 1746-1789 (with gaps),” baptism of Jacquette Dufilho, 27 June 1779, Family History Library, Family History Library microfilm 2,062,733, item 2.
- <sup>13</sup> Ibid.
- <sup>14</sup> France, Gers, Roman Catholic, Parish Church of Notre Dame (Mirande), “Baptêmes, mariages, sépultures 1672, 1676, 1738-1741, 1746-1789 (with gaps),” baptism of Jean Gabriel Dufilho, 12 October 1780, Family History Library microfilm 2,062,733, item 2.
- <sup>15</sup> Ibid.

- <sup>16</sup> France, Gers, Roman Catholic, Parish Church of Notre Dame (Mirande), “Baptêmes, mariages, sépultures 1672, 1676, 1738-1741, 1746-1789 (with gaps),” baptism of Jean Gabriel Dufilho, 15 September 1781, Family History Library microfilm 2,062,733, item 2.
- <sup>17</sup> France, Gers, Roman Catholic, Parish Church of Notre Dame (Mirande), “Baptêmes, mariages, sépultures 1672, 1676, 1738-1741, 1746-1789 (with gaps),” baptism of Marie Jacquette Dufilho, 20 December 1782, Family History Library microfilm 2,062,733, item 2.
- <sup>18</sup> Ibid.
- <sup>19</sup> France, Gers, Roman Catholic, Parish Church of Notre Dame (Mirande), “Baptêmes, mariages, sépultures 1672, 1676, 1738-1741, 1746-1789 (with gaps),” baptism of Jean Dufilho, 14 June 1784, Family History Library microfilm 2,062,733, item 2.
- <sup>20</sup> Ibid.
- <sup>21</sup> St. John the Baptist Catholic Church (Edgard, Louisiana), Marriages vol. 3, pps. 9–10, Louis Joseph Dufilho and Adele Becnel (1819).
- <sup>22</sup> “L. J. Dufilho Jr.,” death notice, *The New Orleans Bee* (New Orleans, Louisiana), 12 May 1856, p. 1, col. 5; New Orleans Public Library. Stephen M. Houin, “The Dufilho Family in Louisiana,” *New Orleans Genesis* (January 1986), 1–12.
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# *Louisiana Immigrants - Second Generation*

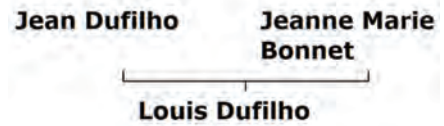


Map by Jacques-François Chereau entitled *Le Mississipi ou la Louisiane dans l'Amérique septentrionale*, (Paris: 177-?, 1770). From the Library of Congress, <https://lccn.loc.gov/75693015>. The map illustrates the Gulf of Mexico, New Orleans, Lake Pontchartrain, Pensacola, “Villages des Indiens,” and other key landmarks.



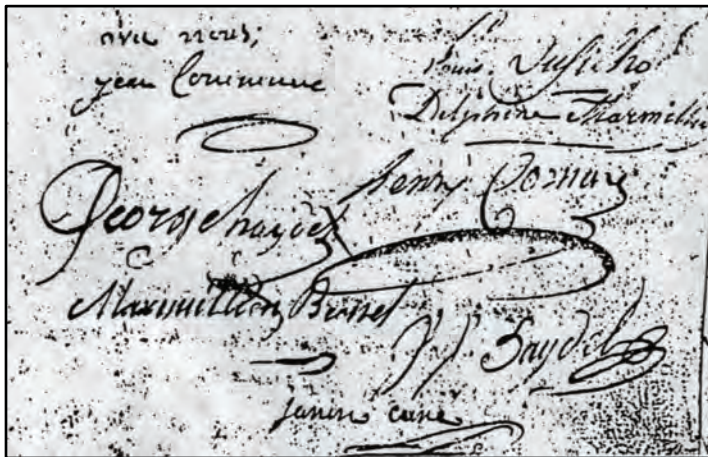
## *Louis Dufilho*

2. **Louis<sup>b-2</sup> Dufilho**(Jean<sup>a-1</sup>), son of Jean Dufilho and Jeanne Marie Bonnet, was born on 1 September 1778 in Mirande, Gers, Midi-Pyrénées, France.<sup>1</sup> He was baptized the next day at the Catholic Church of Notre Dame in Mirande on 2 September 1778.<sup>2</sup> He most likely arrived at New Orleans, Orleans Parish, Louisiana, in 1802 with his father and brother, Louis Joseph Dufilho Jr. (no. 8).<sup>3</sup> He died when he was age 45 on 1 October 1823 in New Orleans and was buried the following day in St. Louis Cemetery No. 1 in New Orleans.<sup>4</sup>



Louis has often been confused with his younger brother, Louis Joseph Dufilho Jr. (no. 8). Louis Joseph often referred to himself as “Jr.” or “Junr.,” and signed his name as such. It is believed that the use of “Junr.” was to indicate that he was the younger brother of Louis Dufilho and distinguish himself as such.

On 24 April 1805 at St. John the Baptist Church in Edgard, St. John the Baptist Parish, Louisiana, Louis married **Aimée Delphine Bozonier Marmillion**, the then 16-year-old daughter of Pierre and Françoise (Haydel) Bozonier Marmillion.<sup>5</sup> Delphine was also the granddaughter of Jean Christophe Haydel, who is believed to have built Evergreen Plantation in St. John the Baptist Parish.<sup>6</sup> Delphine was born 14 April 1789, most likely in St. John the Baptist Parish.<sup>7</sup> She was baptized at St. John the Baptist Church on 26 June 1789 in Edgard.<sup>8</sup> She died at age 79 on 18 March 1869 in New Orleans and was buried in St. Louis Cemetery No. 2 in New Orleans.<sup>9</sup>



**Figure 7. Signatures as they appear on the marriage register of Louis Dufilho and Delphine Bozonier Marmillion.**

The signatures of Louis Dufilho, Delphine Marmillion, George Haydel, Jean Jacques Haydel, and Maximillian Becnel are included. From St. John the Baptist Catholic Church (Edgard, Louisiana); citing vol. 1, pp.124A-124B (1805). Refer to Appendix A-1 for a complete transcription and translation of this manuscript.



Delphine's baptismal register, shown in Figure 8, was recorded in Spanish as follows:<sup>10</sup>

[Original in Spanish]

Enel año del Sr 1789 a 26 de Junio, yo el infrascrito Cura Parrocho de Sn Juan Bta baptizé solemte y ungi con los [SStos?] óleos [*probably santos óleos*] a una niña hija lejitima de Pedro Bozonie Mermillon et Françoise Aydele aquien se le dio por nombre Eme Delfile que nacio el 14 de Abril de la dcha. Fueron sus Padrins de Pila Bautismal Eme Aydele et Pedro Becnele. Fr. [Mariano?]

[Translation]

In the year of our Lord 1789, on 26 June, I, undersigned curate priest of St. John the Baptist, solemnly baptized with holy oils a baby girl, the legitimate daughter of Pedro Bozonie Mermillon [*Pierre Bozonnier Marmillon*] and Françoise Aydele [*Françoise Haydel*], who named the child Eme Delfile [*Aimée Delphine*], born 14 April of the said year [1789]. Her baptismal sponsors were Eme Aydele [*Aimée Haydel*] and Pedro Becnele [*Pierre Becnel*]. Fr. [Mariano?]

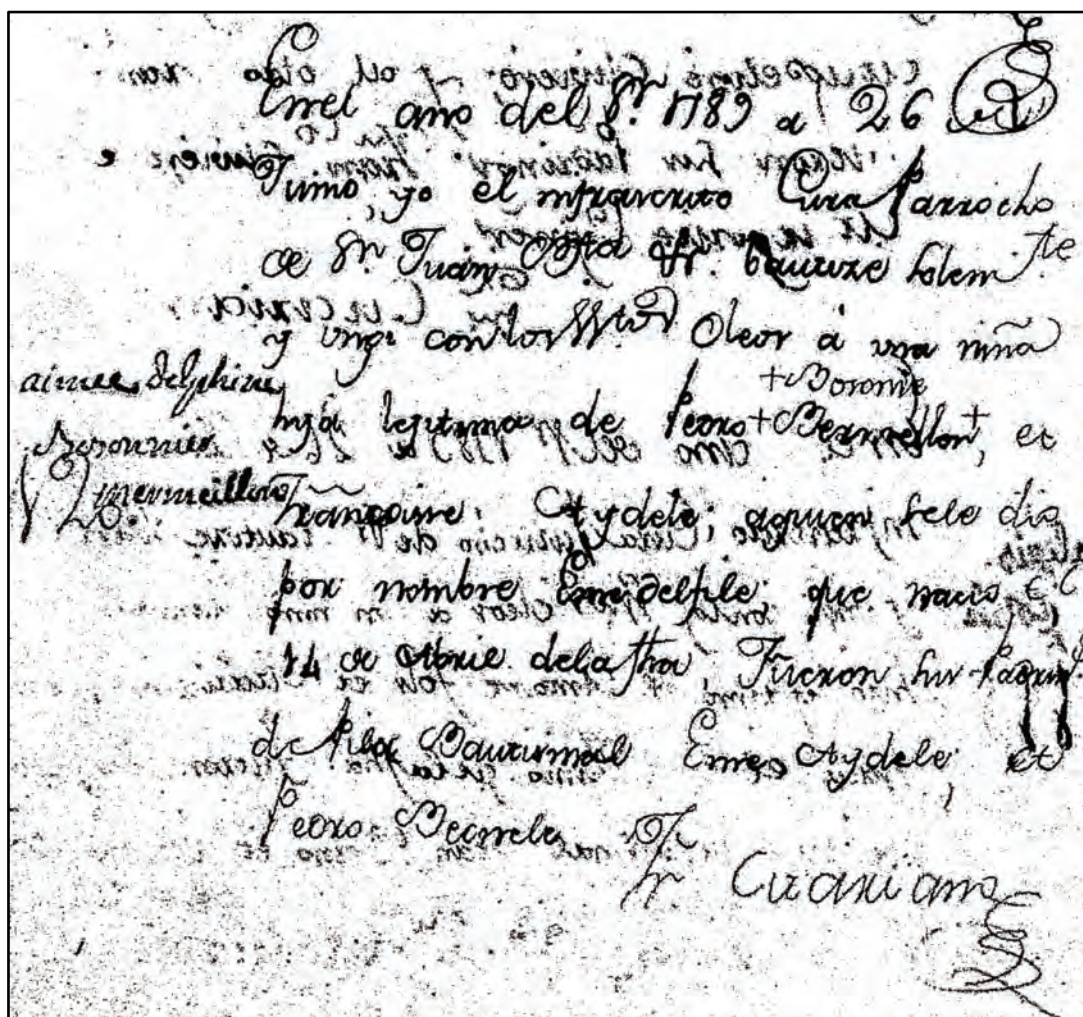
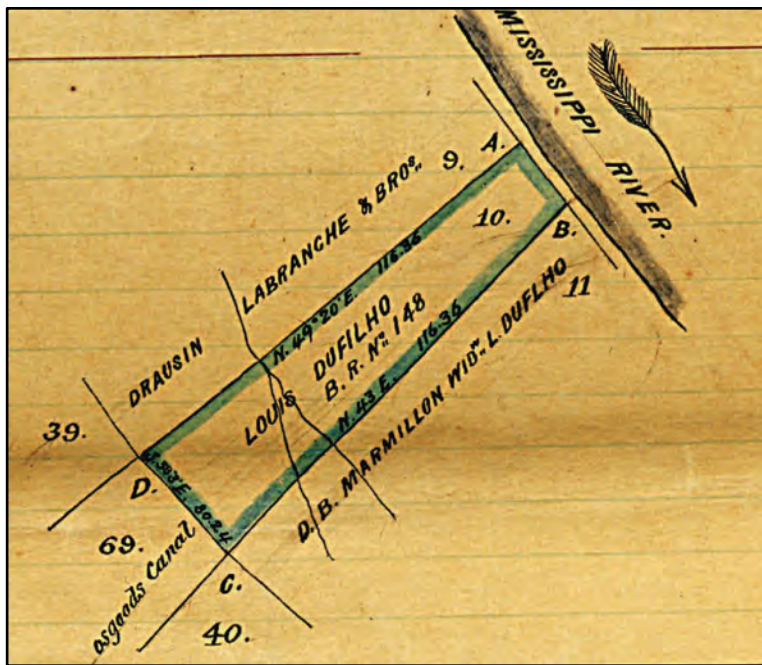


Figure 8. Baptismal register for Aimee Delphine Bozonier Marmillion, 1789.

Like his younger brother, Louis was also a pharmacist/apothecary. However, unlike his brother, he was not considered a “licensed” pharmacist and, therefore, has not achieved the same recognition and fame. In addition to being a pharmacist, Louis became a very prominent sugar plantation owner. Presumably, he successfully applied his knowledge of chemistry to the refinement process of sugar and probably the distillation of rum. His 275-acre sugar plantation was located about four leagues (about 12 miles) north of New Orleans on the west bank of the Mississippi River, near the present-day town of Waggaman, Jefferson Parish, Louisiana.<sup>11</sup>



**Figure 9. Plat of Louis Dufilho's 275-acre sugar plantation.**

The plantation was located north of New Orleans on the west bank of the Mississippi River. Image from the Louis Dufilho claim papers for Section 10 in T13S R22E, 6 January 1823, Louisiana Office of State Lands (Baton Rouge, Louisiana).

Louis' death was due to an unspecified illness of a presumably short duration. He had temporarily moved into the home of his brother, Louis Joseph Jr., during his illness. On 30 September 1823, the day before he died, he recorded his last will where he expresses his desire for his wife, Delphine, to be the guardian for their children “because she is a good mother” and for his brother, Louis Joseph Jr., to be the children's substitute tutor and the executor of his estate. At the time of his death, Louis' three youngest children were still minors: Henry, 13; Louis Jr., 11; and Edmond, 7.<sup>12</sup>

Louis' obituary appeared in the *Le Courrier de la Louisiane* on 6 October 1823 and read as follows:<sup>13</sup>

[Original in French]

Est décédé Mercredi dernier, dans la matinée, à l'âge d'environ 45 ans, Mr. Louis Dufilho, ancien pharmacien chimiste de cette ville, et au moment de son décès résidant à 4 lieues de la Nouvelle Orleans. Mr. Dufilho habitait la Louisiane depuis 1802: la douceur de son caractère, la bonté de son cœur et une foule d'autres belles qualités, lui avaient attiré l'estime générale, et lui avaient assuré un

grand nombre d'amis qui l'ont cheri jusqu'a son dernier moment et qui le regretteront toujours. Il laisse une épouse, quatre enfans, et beaucoup de parens que sa perte a plongés dans la douleur.

[English translation]

Died last Wednesday, in the morning, age about 45 years, Mr. Louis Dufilho, former pharmaceutical chemist of this city, and at the time of his death resident at 4 leagues [*about 12 miles*] from New Orleans. Mr. Dufilho lived in Louisiana since 1802: the sweetness of his character, the goodness of his heart, and a host of other fine qualities had attracted him general esteem, and he had many friends who have held dear until his last moment and who will always regret his death. He leaves a wife, four children, and many relatives that his loss has plunged into grief.

After Louis' untimely death, his brother, Louis Joseph Jr., as executor of his late brother's estate, was tasked with dealing with the impending sugar cane harvest and approaching winter.<sup>14</sup>

October 21st, 1823

Be it remembered that, on this day, the twenty-first of October, eighteen hundred and twenty-three, the forty-eighth year of American Independence: before me, Marc Lafitte, Notary public, duly commissioned for the parish and city of New Orleans, State of Louisiana, dwelling in the said city; and in the presence of the hereinafter name witnesses.

Personally appeared Mr. Louis Joseph Dufilho, of this city, acting in these presents in the name, and as testamentary executor of his brother the late Louis Dufilho, which appearer saith that there belongs to his brother's succession in this parish a sugar plantation, the crop of which is still standing ready to be gathered. Wherefore this appearer, to secure the crop and to provide for the clothing of the slaves during the approaching winter, sees the necessity of buying immediately several moveable objects necessary for the gathering of the crop and the clothing of the slaves, but not thinking himself sufficiently authorized to make all the necessary purchases, he has petitioned the honorable the Court of Probates praying to be thereunto legally authorized. Which Court, by a decree dated the sixth of this month, whereof a true copy is here exhibited and annexed to these presents for recourse, directed a meeting of a sufficient number of the relations of the late Louis Dufilho to take place in this office in order to deliberate on the expediency of authorizing this appearer to buy moveable objects for reaping the next crop and clothing the slaves belonging to the said plantation, and of approving all reasonable expenses already made for that purpose. To this effect, the appearer in his capacity aforesaid presents five relations and friends (for want of other relations that are either sick or absent) of the minor children of his brother and requests the undersigned notary form them into a family convened to give their opinion on the aforesaid objects; and he has signed. Signed Dufilho Junr.

Immediately appeared Messrs. Eugène Lartigue, brother-in-law of the minors; Charles Lanaux, and Antoine Philippe Lanaux, cousins of the said minors; and Jean Baptiste Faget and Samuel Hermann, friends of the family, for want of other relatives, the other relations being either sick or absent. Who, after having been individually sworn by the undersigned notary in the form prescribed by law and having promised under oath to consult nothing but the interests of the said Louis Dufilho's minor children, have been convened into a family meeting, and he, the said Louis Joseph Dufilho, as testamentary executor of the deceased, has laid before them the pressing wants of his said brother's plantation, in horses, cattle, implements of husbandry, woolen blankets, oil, and other indispensable objects; the petition by him presented to the honorable the Court of Probates aforesaid, was read to them as also the order of the judge for this meeting; and the aforesaid members of the family meeting having withdrawn for a while and maturely deliberated upon the matters and things submitted to them, have declared that it is their unanimous opinion, that it is both expedient and urgent to authorize

and that they do hereby authorize the said testamentary executor to buy all things necessary for the purposes aforesaid at a reasonable price and at the current rate of the market; and that they do hereby approve and ratify all reasonable expenses which may have been made by the said testamentary executor for the good administration of the Estate of the minors aforesaid and particularly of the plantation above mentioned.

Signed Charles Lanaux — Ene. [Eugene] Lartigue — Ae. Phie [Antoine Phillipe] Lanaux — Saml. [Samuel] Hermann — Jn. Bte. [Jean Baptiste] Faget.

This done and closed at New Orleans in my office, the same day above mentioned, in the presence of Pierre François Missonnet and Theodore Seghers, both of this city, witnesses, who have signed with me the undersigned notary. The original is signed, Missonnet — Theodore Seghers — Mc. [Marc] Lafitte, Not. Publ. [Notary Public].

I certify the foregoing to be a true copy of the original. In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and seal of office. New Orleans, October 21st, Eighteen hundred and twenty-three.

[signature] Mc [Mark] Lafitte, Not. Publ. [Notary Public]

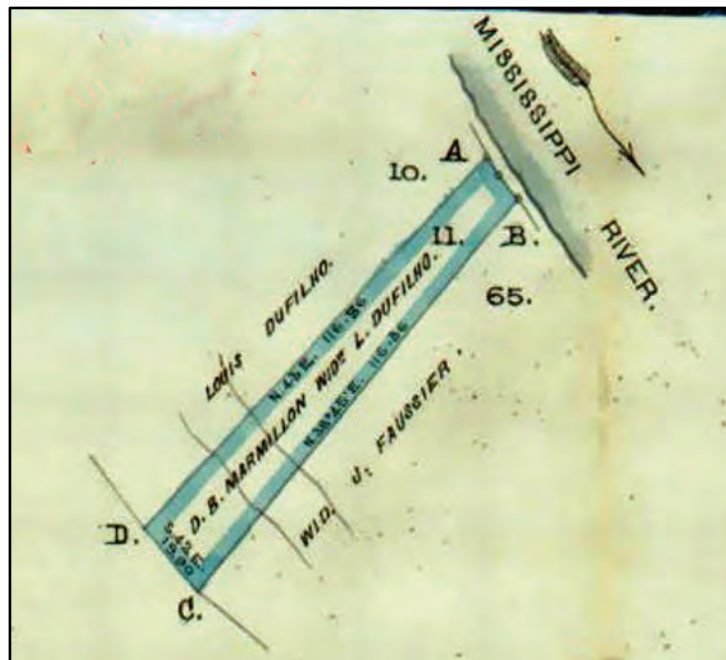
The total inventory of Louis' estate was valued at \$47,037.25 in 1824. Some of the items included in the inventory were as follows (A complete listing can be found in Appendix A-4, page 348):

- ❖ A residence situated on the right bank of the Mississippi River, approximately four and a half leagues (about 12 miles) north of New Orleans, having six French acres fronting the river by forty French acres in depth and bordered by Master Jean Baptiste La Branche above and below by the widow Jean Medesse, a free woman of color
- ❖ A two-story, brick master's house set on a brick foundation, with a shingle roof, a gallery in front and back, being sixty feet long by forty feet wide, comprising eight rooms on the first floor and two cellars on the ground floor
- ❖ A brick building serving as a sugar factory of thirty-five feet long by eighteen feet wide
- ❖ A refinery constructed of wood covered with a simple roof of seventy feet in length by thirty feet wide
- ❖ A wooden stable with a roof being seventy feet long and thirty feet wide
- ❖ Thirty-one slaves
- ❖ A 600-gallon alembic (alchemical still), a 250-gallon copper boiler, condenser, and serpentine
- ❖ Two mahogany poster beds with mosquito nets
- ❖ Two pictures in gilded frames depicting Napoléon and Marie Louise
- ❖ A half barrel of rum, three barrels of tobacco, and one barrel of salted meat
- ❖ One hundred and fifty bottles of wine
- ❖ The works of Voltaire (fifty-one octavo volumes)
- ❖ Dictionary of natural history (ten octavo volumes)
- ❖ *Ancient History* by Rollin (ten octavo volumes)
- ❖ The works of Diderot (fifteen octavo volumes)



- ❖ A general system of chemical knowledge (eleven octavo volumes)
- ❖ Twenty-four horses, forty sheep, and twenty-seven cattle

Delphine had claim to an additional 179 acres adjacent to the sugar plantation, as shown in Figure 10.<sup>15</sup>



**Figure 10. Plat of Delphine Bozonnier Marmillion's land on the west bank of the Mississippi River. Claim papers for Section 11 in T13S R22E, 3 March 1835, Louisiana Office of State Lands (Baton Rouge, Louisiana).**

After her husband's death, Delphine continued to reside in New Orleans until her death in 1869. Her home in New Orleans was noted as "splendid," as described in a notice of the succession of her estate.<sup>16</sup> The residence is also known as Villa Meilleur and is located at the present-day address of 1418 Governor Nicholls Street in the Tremé neighborhood of New Orleans and houses the New Orleans African American Museum at the time of this writing.<sup>17</sup>

*Splendid Residence, With Large Grounds.  
No 236 Bayou Road, Between Marais And Villere Streets.  
Succession of Mrs. Louis Dufilho — No. 32849.*

By G. De Feriet, Auctioneer Office No. 50 Royal Street. Wednesday, June 16, 1869, at noon, at the St. Charles Auction Exchange, in the basement rotunda of the St. Charles Hotel, will be sold by public auction by virtue of an order from the Hon. Louis Duvigneaud, Judge of the Second District Court for the Parish of Orleans, dated May 11, 1869, the following described estate belonging to said succession, viz:

A lot of ground, with the buildings and improvements thereon, situated in the Second District of this city, in the square bounded by Bayou road [Governor Nicholls], Marais, Ursulines, and Villere streets, measuring, American measure, 63 feet 11 inches and 2 lines front on Bayou road, 187 feet on the line



nearest Marais street, 166 feet 1 line on the other side line running from the Bayou road to Villere street, at which point is a broken line, measuring 38 feet 10 inches on the line adjoining the property heretofore belonging to P. Dupeux, 25 feet front on Villere street, and 94 feet 6 inches on the rear line adjoining the property heretofore belonging to A. Bellonguet; the whole according to a plan drawn by Depouilly on April 29, 1834, and deposited in the office of L. T. Caire, late notary, in this city.

The buildings and improvements consist of a large one-story brick residence, with a gallery in front, supported by brick pillars, containing a spacious hall in the center, four rooms with fire places, two cabinets, cellars, and a small gallery in the rear: in the attic four finished rooms. The gas is introduced throughout the house. The back buildings consist of a two-story brick building, covered with slate, containing three rooms on each floor, bathroom, washing shed, coal and chicken house, privies, cistern, water works, etc. The front yard is paved and tastefully laid out as a flower garden.

Terms—One-half cash and the balance on a credit of one year, in notes secured by special mortgage and vendor's lien, and bearing eight percent interest per annum from date till paid, the buildings to be kept insured, the policy transferred to the vendor; and in case of suit, the purchaser will be required to pay five percent attorney's commissions on the amount recovered, which commissions will likewise be secured by mortgage. Act of sale, with United States internal revenue stamps attached, before A. E. Bienvenu, notary public, at the expense of the purchaser.

Delphine died on 18 March 1869. Her death certificate read as follows:<sup>18</sup>

Widow Louis Dufilho, born Delphine Marmillon [sic], a native of Louisiana, age eighty-one years, died on the eighteenth instant (March 18, 1869) at two o'clock a.m. in a house no. 236 Bayou Street in this city.

Delphine's last will and testament was recorded on 5 February 1869, about six weeks prior to her death. It reads as follows:<sup>19</sup>

No. 32849

Last Will & Testament

Filed March 22, 1869

[*Original in French*]

Etat de la Louisiane Nouvelle Orléans

Je soussigné Alexandre Emile Bienvenu, notaire public dûment commissionné et assermenté Dans et pour la ville et Paroisse d'Orléans, état de la Louisiane, y résidant, à la requête De dame Delphine Marmillon, veuve de sieur Louis Dufilho, me suis transporté en son domicile, Chemin de Bayou, entre les rues Marais et Villeré, en cette ville où rendu, j'ai trouvé la Dite dame veuve Dufilho, couchée dans son lit, malade de corps, mais saine d'esprit, Mémoire et entendement, ainsi qu'il est apparu à moi dit notaire et à messieurs Pierre Adolphe Charbonnet, Louis Vecon? Lamoux? Et [Paul?] Robert, tous trois résidant en Cette ville et par moi requis comme témoins du présent testament. Laquelle dite dame Veuve Louis Dufilho, voulant nous faire connaître ses dernières volontés, a dicté au notaire Soussigné, en présence des dits témoins, son testament ainsi qu'il écrit, savoir:

"Je me nomme Delphine Marmillon, veuve de feu Louis Dufilho. Je suis âgée d'environ Quatre-vingt ans. J'ai eu de ce mariage cinq enfants, nommés Louis Dufilho résidant En cette ville, Henry Dufilho décédé, Edmond Dufilho aussi décédé, Sophie Dufilho Veuve Lartigue, aussi décédée, et Auguste Dufilho, décédé à l'âge d'environ trois ans: Je donne et lègue à titre d'avantage et [*empty*] à ma petite fille dame Félicie Lartigue

Épouse de Mr. William F. Goldthwaite, de cette ville, toute la portion dont la loi me  
Permet de disposer au préjudice de mes héritiers, dans tous les biens qui m'appartiendront  
Au jour de mon décès. Je lui donne et lègue aussi tous les effets personnels tel que linge  
De corps, et les meubles de la chambre que j'occupe actuellement, tous les autres meubles  
De la maison appartenant à Mr. M. Goldthwaite. Je nomme et institue Mr. William  
F. Goldthwaite de cette ville, mon exécuteur testamentaire et lui donne la saisine de  
Mes biens”

C'est ainsi que le présent testament a été dicté par ladite testatrices en présence des  
Dits témoins, et écrit par moi dit notaire au fur et mesure de sa dictée: et la dite  
Testatrice ayant déclaré ne rien avoir à ajouter au présent testament, je lui en ai  
Donné lecture à haute et intelligible voix en présence des dits témoins et le dite testatrices,  
De suite, sans interruption et sans divertir à d'autres actes, ce cinq février  
Mil huit cent soixante-neuf en présence des dits sieurs Pierre Alphonse Charbonnet,  
Louis Oscar Lomax et [Paul?] Robert, témoins susnommés, lesquels ont signé  
Avec ladite testatrices et moi di notaire après lecture faite

*[English translation]*

State of Louisiana New Orleans

I, the undersigned Alexandre Emile Bienvenu, notary public duly commissioned and sworn in and for  
the city and Parish of Orleans, state of Louisiana, residing there, at the request of Dame Delphine  
Marmillion, widow of Mr. Louis Dufilho, transported myself to her home on Bayou Road, between  
Marais and Villere streets.

I found the said widowed lady Dufilho, lying in her bed, sick of body, but sane of mind, memory, and  
understanding, as it appeared to me said notary and to gentlemen Pierre Adolphe Charbonnet, Louis  
Oscar Lamoux, and Paul Robert, all three residing in this city and by me required as witnesses to this  
will.

Which said lady Widow Louis Dufilho, wishing to let us know her last wishes, dictated to the  
undersigned notary, in the presence of the said witnesses, her will as she wrote, namely:

“My name is Delphine Marmillon [sic], widow of the late Louis Dufilho. I am about eighty years old.  
I had five children from this marriage, named Louis Dufilho, residing in this city; Henry Dufilho,  
deceased; Edmond Dufilho, also deceased; Sophie Dufilho, widow Lartigue, also deceased; and  
Auguste Dufilho, deceased at the age of about three years.

I bequeath as an advantage and *[empty/blank space]* to my granddaughter Dame Félicie Lartigue, wife  
of Mr. William F. Goldthwaite, of this city, all the portion which the law allows me to dispose of to the  
detriment of my heirs, in all the property that will belong to me on the day of my death. I also bequeath  
to her all the personal effects such as body linen, and the furniture of the room I currently occupy, all  
the other furniture of the house belonging to Mr. W. Goldthwaite. I appoint and institute Mr. William  
F. Goldthwaite of this city, my executor and gives him the referral of my property.”

This is how this testament was dictated by the said testators in the presence of the said witnesses, and  
written by me, said notary, as and when its dictation: and the said testator having declared having  
nothing to add to the present testament, I read it out loud and intelligible to her in the presence of the  
said witnesses and the said testatrix, immediately, without interruption and without diverging from  
other acts, this February 5, 1869, in the presence of the said sieurs Pierre Alphonse Charbonnet, Louis

Oscar Lanaux, and Paul Robert, aforementioned witnesses, who signed with the said testator and said notary after reading.

Signed

Delphine Dufilho — P. A. Charbonnet — O. Lanaux — Paul Robert — A. E. Bienvenu, Notary Public



**Figure 11. Villa Meilleur.**

**Delphine (Bozonier Marmillion) Dufilho resided for many years in what is now known as Villa Meilleur, which is located at the present-day address of 1418 Governor Nicholls Street in Tremé and houses The New Orleans African American Museum at the time of this writing. Governor Nicholls Street was historically known as Bayou Road and this villa was often referred to as “the residence on Bayou Road, between Marais and Villere streets” or “236 Bayou Road” in many historical records. The home was built ca. 1828–1829. The above photograph is from Wikimedia Commons, <https://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/File:MeilleurGoldthwaiteHouseFrontB.jpg>, and was taken in 2008 by Carlos “Froggy” May of New Orleans, Wikipedia.**

Children of Louis Dufilho and Aimée Delphine Bozonier Marmillion:

- + 9 i. SOPHIE MARIE JOSÉPHINE<sup>1</sup> DUFILHO, born 23 March 1806 in New Orleans;<sup>20</sup> baptized at St. Louis Cathedral in New Orleans;<sup>21</sup> died 18 November 1851 in New Orleans;<sup>22</sup> buried in the Vve. Dufilho tomb in St. Louis Cemetery No. 2 in New Orleans;<sup>23</sup> married Eugène Lartigue.<sup>24</sup>
- 10 ii. AUGUSTE DUFILHO, born about 1807;<sup>25</sup> died at about age 3 years and was buried on 12 April 1810 in St. Louis Cemetery No. 1 in New Orleans.<sup>26</sup>
- + 11 iii. HENRY DUFILHO, born 15 July 1810, probably in New Orleans;<sup>27</sup> baptized 24 December 1810 at St. Louis Cathedral in New Orleans;<sup>28</sup> died 12 February 1858, probably in New Orleans;<sup>29</sup> buried in St. Louis Cemetery No. 2 in New Orleans;<sup>30</sup> married Palmire Toledano.<sup>31</sup>
- + 12 iv. LOUIS ANTOINE DUFILHO JR., born 20 May 1812 in New Orleans;<sup>32</sup> baptized 20 February 1813 at St. Louis Cathedral in New Orleans;<sup>33</sup> died 9 March 1879 in New Orleans;<sup>34</sup> buried 10 March 1879 in St. Louis Cemetery No. 2 in New Orleans;<sup>35</sup> married his first cousin, Delphine Louise Myrthée Bozonier Marmillion.<sup>36</sup>
- + 13 v. EDMOND DUFILHO, born 8 July 1816 in New Orleans;<sup>37</sup> baptized 13 April 1817 at St. Louis Cathedral in New Orleans;<sup>38</sup> died 28 October 1844 in Jefferson Parish, Louisiana;<sup>39</sup> buried in the Vve. Dufilho tomb in St. Louis Cemetery No. 2 in New Orleans;<sup>40</sup> married Odéide Drouet.<sup>41</sup>





**Figure 12. Tomb of Aimée Delphine Bozonier Marmillion in St. Louis Cemetery No. 2 in New Orleans. The plot is located in square no. 1, St. Paul's aisle, alley no. 2-L, near corner of St. Louis and N. Robertson streets; photographed by Mark Edwin Hollier, 22 April 2021, GPS (lat/lon): 29.96167097, -90.07435067. The engraved marker on the front of the tomb reads as follows:**

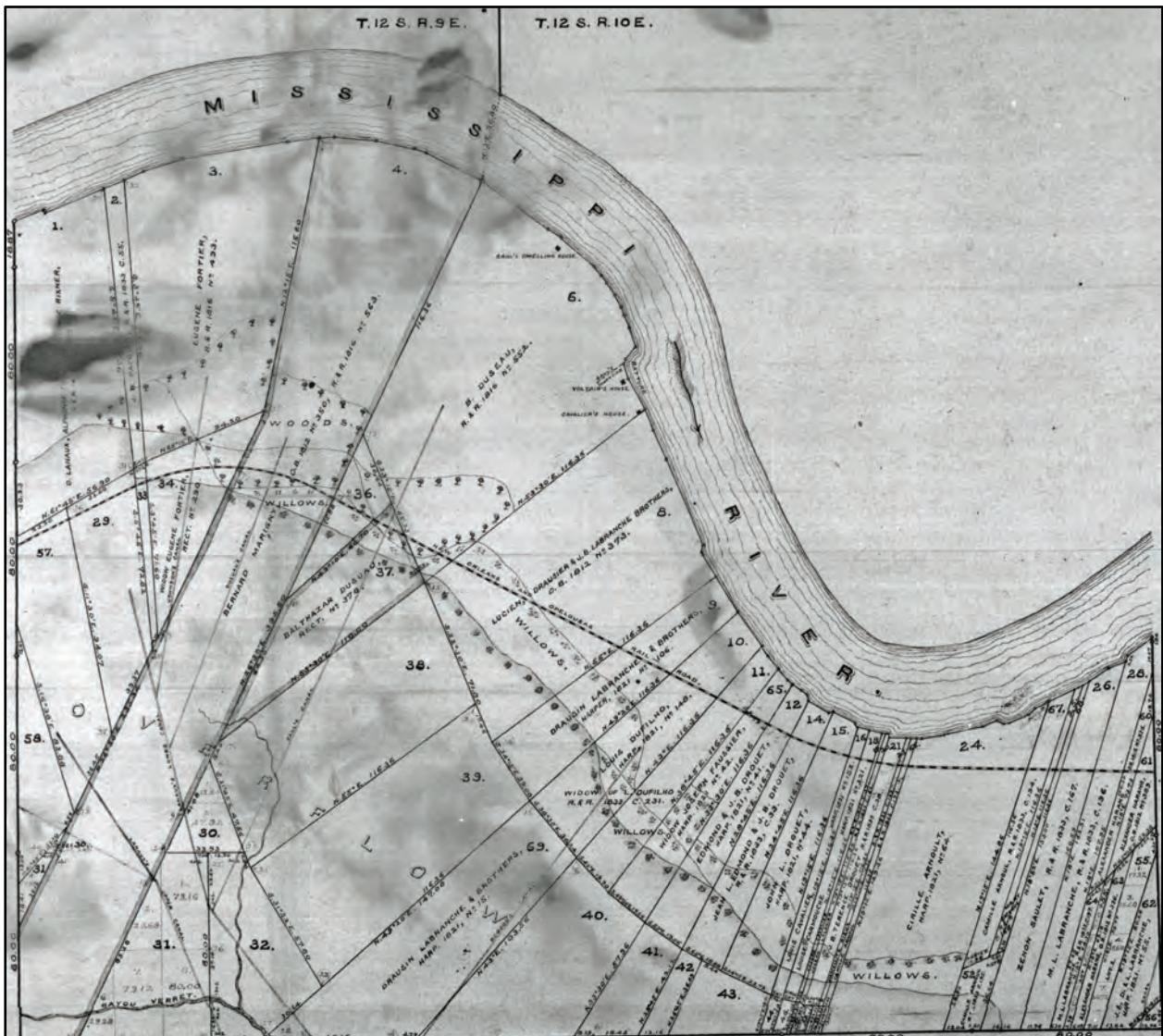
Vve. L. DUFILHO  
VVE. W.F. GOLDTHWAITE  
Née FELICIE LARTIGUE 8 Mars 1914  
C. G. DELGADO y ARANGO, 1er Juin 1921  
DELPHINE L. GOLDTHWAITE 28 Mai 1925  
Mme. F.E. GOLDTHWAITE Sept 17 1927



**Figure 13. Side inscription on the tomb of Vve. Dufilho.  
St. Louis Cemetery No. 2 in New Orleans. The engravings were badly worn, resulting  
in illegible and questionable portions of the following transcription**

[EUGÈNE?] LARTIGUE  
né le 29 Juin 180[1?] décédé le [Dec?] 18[33?]  
DELPHINE LARTIGUE  
né le 11 Sept. 182[?] décédée [illegible]  
EDMOND DUFILHO  
né le [8] Juillet 1816 décédé le 28 Oct. [illegible]  
ANTOINE NUMA DUFILHO  
né le 3 Nov. 1850 décédée 11 [Mai?] [illegible]  
SOPHIE DUFILHO  
Veuve Eugene Lartigue  
née le 23 Mars 1806 décédée le 18 Nov. 1851  
W.F. GOLDTHWAITE  
[illegible] Augusta, Maine  
décédé le. [?] Feb. 189[.]  
JOSE DELGADO y ARANGO  
née Seville Espagne décédé le 24 Juin 1910





**Figure 14. Map showing the location Louis Dufilho's sugar plantation (No. 10).**  
Image from "Office of Public Works Plat Map for District Southeastern West of Mississippi River T13S R22E," document no. 521.01633; digital images, Louisiana Division of Administration, *Louisiana Office of State Lands Historical Records*,  
<https://www.slodms.doa.la.gov/WebForms/DocumentViewer.aspx?docId=521.01633>.



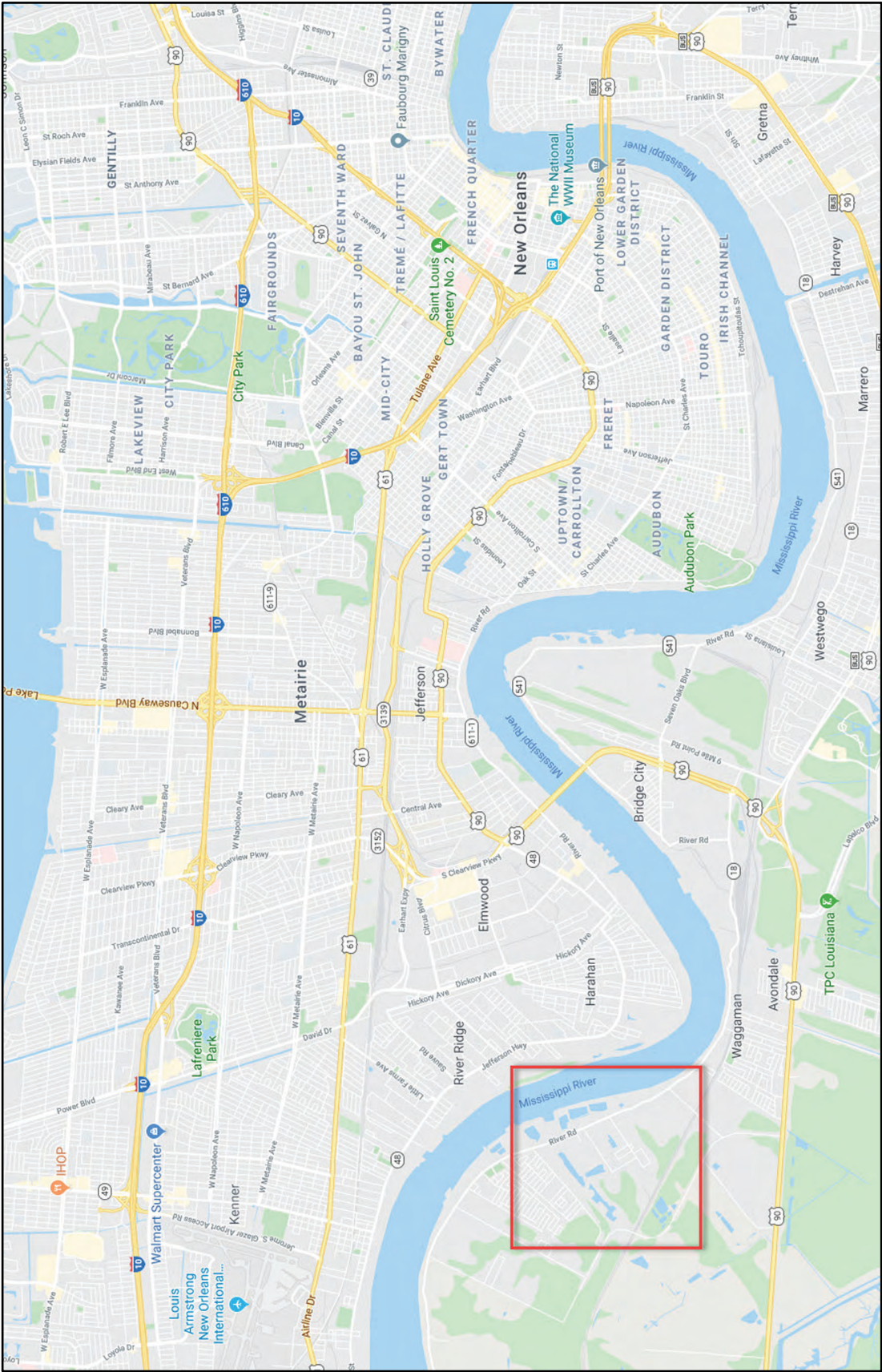


Figure 15. Present day map showing the approximate location of Louis Dufilho's sugar plantation. Map data ©2020 Google, Sanborn.



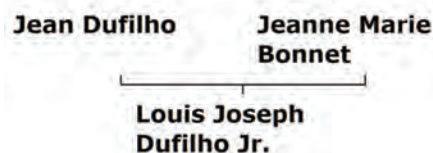
- <sup>1</sup> France, Gers, Roman Catholic, Parish Church of Notre Dame (Mirande), “Baptêmes, mariages, sépultures 1672, 1676, 1738-1741, 1746-1789 (with gaps),” baptism of Louis Dufilho, 1 September 1778, Family History Library microfilm 2,062,733, item 2.
- <sup>2</sup> Ibid.
- <sup>3</sup> “Mr. Louis Dufilho,” obituary, *Le Courier de la Louisiane* (New Orleans, Louisiana), 6 October 1823, p. 1, col. 3.
- <sup>4</sup> St. Louis Cathedral (New Orleans, Louisiana), Sacramental Certificates, certificate of burial for Louis Dufilho, 2 October 1823; citing vol. 1823-1824, p. 111, no. 1125; certified copy issued by the Archdiocese of New Orleans, 20 June 2020 privately held by Mark Edwin Hollier. “Mr. Louis Dufilho,” obituary, *Louisiana Courier* (New Orleans, Louisiana), 6 October 1823, p. 3. “Louisiana, Orleans Parish Estate Files, 1804-1846,” database with images, *FamilySearch* (<https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:JJZX-76G>; accessed 4 December 2014), Louis Dufilho, 1823; citing probate place Orleans Parish, Louisiana, Probate Court, New Orleans City Archives. “Louisiana, Orleans Parish Will Books, 1805-1920,” manuscript on digital images, *FamilySearch* (<https://www.familysearch.org/search/catalog/oclc/865636115>; accessed 8 March 2020), will book 1817-1824 vol. 3, images 415-417, Louis Dufilho, <https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3QSQ-G9MY-PG5C?cc=2019728&wc=SJ7D-T38%3A341294201>; citing City Archives and Special Collections, New Orleans Public Library, New Orleans.; in his last will, Louis states “je suis âgé d’environ quarante cinq ans” (“I am about forty-five years old”).
- <sup>5</sup> St. John the Baptist Catholic Church (Edgard, Louisiana), Sacramental Certificates, Louis Dufilho and Delphine Bozonier Marmillion marriage record (1805); citing vol. 1, pp. 124A-124B; copy privately held by Mark Edwin Hollier, Opelousas, Louisiana, 2019.
- <sup>6</sup> Samuel Wilson, Jr., “The Building Contract for Evergreen Plantation, 1832,” *Louisiana History: The Journal of the Louisiana Historical Association* vol. 31, no. 4 (Winter, 1990), 399-40; image copy, JSTOR (<http://www.jstor.org/stable/4232841>; accessed 22 August 2020). U.S. Department of the Interior, *National Register of Historic Places*, Evergreen Plantation, Wallace vicinity, St. John the Baptist Parish, Louisiana, section no. 7, p. 1, <https://npgallery.nps.gov/AssetDetail/NRIS/91001386>; notes “The probable builder of the original Evergreen was Christophe Haydel, the brother of the probable builder of Whitney, Jean Jacques Haydel.” U.S. Department of the Interior, *National Register of Historic Places*, Whitney Plantation, Wallace vicinity, St. John the Baptist Parish, Louisiana, section no. 8, p. 6 (<https://npgallery.nps.gov/NRHP/GetAsset/c4ac2126-6605-44aa-8c38-4ba04db7d413>; accessed 22 August 2020).
- <sup>7</sup> St. John the Baptist Catholic Church (Edgard, Louisiana), Baptisms (1789), image no. 117, register entry no. 120, Aimee Delphine Bosonnier Mermeillon [sic]; digital images, Archdiocese of New Orleans, <https://archives.arch-no.org/sfpc>.
- <sup>8</sup> Ibid.
- <sup>9</sup> Louisiana, Secretary of State, death certificate, vol. 44, no. 443 (1869), Widow Louis Dufilho (Delphine Marmillion), Orleans Parish; Louisiana State Archives, Baton Rouge. “Widow Louis Dufilho,” death notice, *The Daily Picayune* (New Orleans, Louisiana), 21 March 1869, p. 4. St. Louis Cemetery No. 2 (New Orleans, Louisiana), photograph, Vve. Dufilho family tomb, Sq. 1, St. Paul’s Aisle, Alley No. 2-L, near corner of St. Louis and N. Robertson streets; photographed by Mark Edwin Hollier, 22 April 2021, GPS (lat/lon): 29.96167097, -90.07435067.
- <sup>10</sup> St. John the Baptist Catholic Church (Edgard, Louisiana), Baptisms (1789), image no. 117, register entry no. 120, Aimee Delphine Bosonnier Mermeillon [sic]; digital images, Archdiocese of New Orleans, <https://archives.arch-no.org/sfpc>; translated and transcribed by Christophe Landry, Louisiana Historic and Cultural Vistas, 2020.
- <sup>11</sup> Louis Dufilho, claim papers for Section 10 in T13S R22E, 6 January 1823; Louisiana Office of State Lands (Baton Rouge, Louisiana), digital images, <http://doa.louisiana.gov>, “510.00201: Claim Papers S.E.D. W. OF R. T.13S. R.22-E. & T.14S. R. 14 & 15 E. Vol. 9,” p. 34 (<https://wwwslodms.doa.la.gov/WebForms/DocumentViewer.aspx?docId=510.00201&category=H#34>; accessed 24 December 24, 2019). “Louisiana, Wills and Probate Records, 1756-

- 1984,” database and images, *Ancestry.com*, Louis Dufilho’s Inventory, filed 7 January 1824; citing Louisiana, Orleans Parish Estate Files.
- <sup>12</sup> “Louisiana, Orleans Parish Will Books, 1805-1920,” manuscript on digital Images, FamilySearch (<https://www.familysearch.org/search/catalog/oclc/865636115>: accessed 8 March 2020), no. 32849, Last Will and Testament, 22 March 1869, Wow. Louis Dufilho, book 1867-1871, vol. 15, image 300 of 799, <https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3Q57-L99C-W1YQ?cc=2019728&wc=SJ76-MNL%3A341297301>; citing City Archives and Special Collections, New Orleans Public Library, New Orleans.
- <sup>13</sup> “Mr. Louis Dufilho,” obituary, *Le Courier de la Louisiane* (New Orleans, Louisiana), 6 October 1823, p. 1, col. 3.
- <sup>14</sup> “Louisiana, Orleans Parish Estate Files, 1804-1846,” Louis Dufilho, 1823.
- <sup>15</sup> Delphine Bozonmier Marmillion, Widow of Louis Dufilho, claim papers for Section 11 in T13S R22E, 3 March 1835; Louisiana Office of State Lands (Baton Rouge, Louisiana), digital images, <http://doa.louisiana.gov>, “510.00201: Claim Papers S.E.D. W. OF R. T.13S. R.22-25 E. & T.14S. R. 14 & 15 E. Vol. 9,” p. 34 (<https://wwwslodms.doa.la.gov/WebForms/DocumentViewer.aspx?docId=510.00201&category=H#36>: accessed 24 December 24, 2019).
- <sup>16</sup> “Succession of Mrs. Louis Dufilho–No. 32849,” *New Orleans Republican* (New Orleans, Louisiana), 23 May 1869, p. 6.
- <sup>17</sup> Library of Congress, “Historic American Buildings Survey,” Craig Ackerman, Huyen Bui, Ellen Davis, James Elmasury, Peggy Fitzgerald, Susan Herskowitz, et al., *Villa Meilleur, 1418 Governor Nicholls Street, New Orleans, Orleans Parish, LA* (<https://www.loc.gov/item/la0299>: accessed 4 April 2020), 1933.
- <sup>18</sup> Louisiana, Secretary of State, death certificate, Orleans Parish, vol. 44, no. 443 (1869), Widow Louis Dufilho (Delphine Marmillon); Louisiana State Archives, Baton Rouge; copy privately held by Mark Edwin Hollier, Opelousas, Louisiana, 2020.
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- <sup>20</sup> St. Louis Cathedral (New Orleans, Louisiana), Baptisms, vol. 5, p. 4, no. 39, Maria Josephina Sofia Dufilho (1806); certified copy provided by the Office of Archives and Records, Archdiocese of New Orleans; copy privately held by Mark Edwin Hollier, Opelousas, Louisiana, 2020. “St. Louis Cemetery No. 2 [New Orleans] Tombstone Index,” (card file, 1934-1940, Louisiana Historical Center, New Orleans), entry for Sophie Dufilho Lartigue.
- <sup>21</sup> St. Louis Cathedral (New Orleans, Louisiana), Baptisms, vol. 5, p. 4, no. 39, Maria Josephina Sofia Dufilho (1806).
- <sup>22</sup> Louisiana, Secretary of State, death certificate, vol. 13, no. 10 (1851), Widow Eugene Lartigue (Sophie Dufilho); Louisiana State Archives, Baton Rouge. “St. Louis Cemetery No. 2 [New Orleans] Tombstone Index,” (card file, 1934-1940, Louisiana Historical Center, New Orleans), entry for Sophie Dufilho Lartigue.
- <sup>23</sup> St. Louis Cemetery No. 2 (New Orleans, Louisiana), photograph, Vve. Dufilho family tomb, Sq. 1, St. Paul’s Aisle, Alley No. 2-L, near corner of St. Louis and N. Robertson streets; photographed by Mark Edwin Hollier, 22 April 2021, GPS (lat/lon): 29.96167097, -90.07435067.
- <sup>24</sup> Louisiana, Secretary of State, death certificate, vol. 13, no. 10 (1851), Widow Eugene Lartigue (Sophie Dufilho); Louisiana State Archives, Baton Rouge.
- <sup>25</sup> St. Louis Cathedral (New Orleans, Louisiana), Burials, vol. 1803-1815, p. 119, no. 593, Augusto Dufilho (1810); copy of original register provided by the Office of Archives and Records, Archdiocese of New Orleans; copy privately held by Mark Edwin Hollier, Opelousas, Louisiana, 2020; burial record notes he was 3 years old.
- <sup>26</sup> St. Louis Cathedral (New Orleans, Louisiana), Burials, vol. 1803-1815, p. 119, no. 593, Augusto Dufilho (1810); burial record notes he was 3 years old. “St. Louis Cemetery No. 1 [New Orleans] Tombstone Index,” (card file, 1934-1940, Louisiana Historical Center, New Orleans), entry for Augusto Dufillo [sic].

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- <sup>27</sup> St. Louis Cathedral (New Orleans, Louisiana), Baptisms, certificate and register, vol. 6, p. 113, no. 469, Henrique [sic] Dufilho (1810); certified copy provided by the Office of Archives and Records, Archdiocese of New Orleans; privately held by Mark Edwin Hollier, Opelousas, Louisiana, 2021.
- <sup>28</sup> Ibid.
- <sup>29</sup> “Henry Dufilho,” death notice, *Times-Picayune* (New Orleans, Louisiana), 13 February 1858, p. 4. “St. Louis Cemetery No. 2 [New Orleans] Tombstone Index,” (card file, 1934-1940, Louisiana Historical Center, New Orleans), entry for Henry Dufilho; index card notes date of death as 13 February 1858, but this is likely the date of burial.
- <sup>30</sup> St. Louis Cemetery No. 2 (New Orleans, Louisiana), photograph, gravestone for Henry Dufilho, Square 2, Row M, Tomb 23, Aisle St. Patrick, GPS (lat/lon) 29.96089653, -90.07567637; photographed by Mark Edwin Hollier, 19 November 2017. “St. Louis Cemetery No. 2 [New Orleans] Tombstone Index,” (card file, 1934-1940, Louisiana Historical Center, New Orleans), entry for Henry Dufilho.
- <sup>31</sup> Alcée Fortier, *Louisiana: Comprising Sketches of Parishes, Towns, Events, Institutions, and Persons, Arranged in Cyclopedic Form*, 3 vols. (Madison, Wisconsin: Century historical association, 1914), 3:376-377.
- <sup>32</sup> St. Louis Cathedral (New Orleans, Louisiana), Baptisms, vol. 7, p. 62-B, no. 384, Luis Antonio Dufilho (1812); copy of original register, Office of Archives and Records, Archdiocese of New Orleans; copy privately held by Mark Edwin Hollier, Opelousas, Louisiana, 2020.
- <sup>33</sup> Ibid.
- <sup>34</sup> Louisiana, Secretary of State, death certificate, vol. 74, no. 550 (1879), Louis Dufilho, Orleans Parish; Louisiana State Archives, Baton Rouge.
- <sup>35</sup> “St. Louis Cemetery No. 2 [New Orleans] Tombstone Index,” (card file, 1934-1940, Louisiana Historical Center, New Orleans), entry for Louis Dufilho.
- <sup>36</sup> Louisiana, Secretary of State, death certificate, vol. 8, p. 743 (1841), Louis Dufilho, Orleans Parish; notes parents “Mr. Louis Dufilho and Mrs. Mirthé Bozonier [sic] of this city.”
- <sup>37</sup> St. Louis Cathedral (New Orleans, Louisiana), Baptisms, vol. 8, p. 103, no. 537, Edmundo Dufilho (1817); copy of original register, Office of Archives and Records, Archdiocese of New Orleans; copy privately held by Mark Edwin Hollier, Opelousas, Louisiana, 2020. St. Louis Cemetery No. 2 (New Orleans, Louisiana), photograph, Vve. Dufilho family tomb, Sq. 1, St. Paul’s Aisle, Alley No. 2-L, near corner of St. Louis and N. Robertson streets; photographed by Mark Edwin Hollier, 22 April 2021, GPS (lat/lon): 29.96167097, -90.07435067. “New Orleans Cemetery Database,” St-Louis-II free-standing tomb 281 ([https://www.hnoc.org/database/cemetery/images/cards/St-Louis-II\\_sq1\\_281\\_02\\_card.jpg](https://www.hnoc.org/database/cemetery/images/cards/St-Louis-II_sq1_281_02_card.jpg); accessed 24 April 2021); citing Survey of Historic New Orleans Cemeteries (1981), St. Louis Cemetery No. 2, Square 1, Tomb 281; card notes “Edmond Dufilho ne le [9] Juillet 1816 décédée le 18 Oct. [ ].”
- <sup>38</sup> St. Louis Cathedral (New Orleans, Louisiana), Baptisms, vol. 8, p. 103, no. 537, Edmundo Dufilho (1817); copy of original register, Office of Archives and Records, Archdiocese of New Orleans; copy privately held by Mark Edwin Hollier, Opelousas, Louisiana, 2020.
- <sup>39</sup> “St. Louis Cemetery No. 2 [New Orleans] Tombstone Index,” (card file, 1934-1940, Louisiana Historical Center, New Orleans), Edmond Dufilho; notes “[ne] le 8 Juillet 1816 décédé le 28 Oct. 1844.” St. Louis Cemetery No. 2 (New Orleans, Louisiana), photograph, Vve. Dufilho family tomb, Sq. 1, St. Paul’s Aisle, Alley No. 2-L, near corner of St. Louis and N. Robertson streets; photographed by Mark Edwin Hollier, 22 April 2021, GPS (lat/lon): 29.96167097, -90.07435067. “New Orleans Cemetery Database,” St-Louis-II free-standing tomb 281 ([https://www.hnoc.org/database/cemetery/images/cards/St-Louis-II\\_sq1\\_281\\_02\\_card.jpg](https://www.hnoc.org/database/cemetery/images/cards/St-Louis-II_sq1_281_02_card.jpg); accessed 24 April 2021); citing Survey of Historic New Orleans Cemeteries (1981), St. Louis Cemetery No. 2, Square 1, Tomb 281; card notes “Edmond Dufilho ne le [9] Juillet 1816 décédé le 18 Oct. [ ].” Portions of the original inscription was very worn as observed in 2021. However, Edmond’s day of death appears to be the 28th, in agreement with the 1934-1940 card file.
- <sup>40</sup> Ibid.
- <sup>41</sup> “Louisiana, Wills and Probate Records, 1756-1984,” database with images, *Ancestry.com*, Estate of Edmond Dufilho, docket 309, 6 May 1845; citing Succession and Probate Records of Jefferson Parish, 1827-1899.

## *Louis Joseph Dufilho Jr.*

8. **Louis Joseph<sup>b-2</sup> Dufilho Jr.** (Jean<sup>a-1</sup>), son of Jean Dufilho and Jeanne Marie Bonnet, was born about 1788 in Mirande, Gers, Midi-Pyrénées, France.<sup>1</sup> He died at age 69 on 15 April 1856 at La Rue near Blois, Loir-et-Cher, Centre, France.<sup>2</sup> Louis Joseph often referred to himself as “Jr.” or “Junr.,” and signed his name as such; and it is believed that this was to indicate that he was the younger brother of Louis Dufilho. He was also referred to as simply “Joseph Dufilho,” and this may have been his preferred informal name.



Louis Joseph studied at the Paris College of Pharmacy between 1814 and 1816, then returned to New Orleans to become the first pharmacist to receive a United States-issued license to practice in 1816.<sup>3</sup> Upon his return from Paris, Louis Joseph joined his older brother, Louis (no. 2), in his practice located at 63 Chartres Street in New Orleans.<sup>4</sup>

On 29 April 1819 in St. John the Baptist Parish, Louisiana, Louis Joseph, age 31, married **Emy Adèle Becnel**, the 16-year-old daughter of Maximillian and Erasie (Haydel) Becnel.<sup>5</sup> Adèle was born about April 1803 and was baptized at the age of 3 months on 12 June 1803 at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church in Edgard, St. John the Baptist Parish, Louisiana. She died at age 64 on 16 January 1868 in Paris, Île-de-France, France.<sup>6</sup> Adèle’s maternal grandfather was Jean Jacques Haydel, the probable builder of Whitney Plantation.<sup>7</sup> The original marriage register as it was recorded in the church records can be seen in Figure 18 on page 46. The translation and transcription are as follows:<sup>8</sup>

**Figure 16. Louis Joseph Dufilho Jr.’s signature as it appears in his brother’s 1823 probate.**

*[Original in French]*

Louis Joseph Dufilho avec Adèle Becnel

Nous soussigné curé de cette paroisse de St. Jn Baptiste Comté des Allemands Diocèse et Etat de la Louisiane une les lettres de dispenses de deux publications de bans de Mr. Le Grand Vicaire en date du 19 Avril 1819 signé M. Mons. Vic. Gen et une aussi celles d’autorisation, et de dispense de 2 bans de Mr. le Curé de la Paroisse de St. Jacques des Acadiens datées le 26 Avril 1819 signées Charles Mariani curé où on a prouvé un oar sans opposition ou empêchement quelconque venu à leur connaissance : attendu aussi les permissions de MMs les juges de la Nlle Orléans datées le 20 courant 1819 signée F. Pitot Juge, comme aussi de la psse de St. Jacques datées le 27 courant 1819 signée D. Tureaud Juge; avons donné la bénédiction nuptiale et reçu le mutuel consentement de futur mariage entre Mr. Louis Joseph Dufilho, fils majeur et légitime de Jean Dufilho, et de Jeanne Marie Bonnet, ses père et mère d’une part, natif de Mirande pays français, Département de Gers, âgé de 31 ans d’une part; et entre Mlle. Adèle Becnel fille mineure, et légitime de feu Maximilien Becnel, et d’Erasie Haydel, native de cette paroisse et domiciliée dans celle de St. Michel d’autre part, âgée de 16 ans. Mr. l’époux est résident de la Nlle Orléans. Ont été présents en qualité de témoins à cette célébration MM Louis

Dufilho Pierre et Valsin Bonsonnier Marmillon, Jean Js Haydel père et fils chez qui le mariage a été fait, et plusieurs autres parents qui nous ont dit bien connaître les noms domiciles et libertés des dites parties contractantes et qui ont signé avec nous ce jour 29 Avril 1819.

[English Translation]

Louis Joseph Dufilho with Adèle Becnel

I, undersigned curate of St. John the Baptist Parish, German County, Diocese and State of Louisiana, after receiving dispensation letters of two marriage bans announced by the Vicar-General dated 19 April 1819 and signed Monseigneur, Vicar-General, and also an authorization and dispensation of two marriage bans by the curate of the Parish of St. James of the Acadians dated 26 April 1819 and signed Charles Mariani, curate, which proved no opposition or impediment of any kind known or made to them, and given the permission given by the New Orleans judges dated 20 April 1819 and signed F. Pitot, judge, as well as one from the Parish of St. James dated 27 April 1819 and signed D. Tureauud, judge, solemnized the marriage and received mutual consent to marry Louis Joseph Dufilho, adult and legitimate son of Jean Dufilho and Jeanne Marie Bonnet, his parents, native of Mirande, Department of Gers, France, age 31, resident of New Orleans, on the one hand; and Adèle Becnel, minor and legitimate daughter of the late Maximilien Becnel and Erasie Haydel, native of this parish and domiciled in St. Michael Parish [Convent, St. James Parish], age 16. Those present at this celebration were Louis Dufilho, Pierre and Valsin Bonsonnier Marmillion, Jean Jacques Haydel Sr. and Jr., at whose home the marriage took place, and several other relatives, who declared knowing the names, residence, and freedoms of the contracting parties, and who signed with me this 29th April 1819.

[Signatures]

Pierre B. Marmillion — J. J. Haydel — J. J. Haydel, fils — Valsin B. Marmillion — Dufilho Junr. — Vite Modeste Mina, Curé

A photograph of a handwritten document, likely a marriage register, showing several signatures. The text at the top reads "et qui ont signé avec nous ce jour 29. Avril 1819." Below this, there are five distinct signatures: "Pierre B. Marmillion", "J. J. Haydel", "J. J. Haydel, fils", "Valsin B. Marmillion", and "Dufilho Junr.". At the bottom right, there is a signature that reads "Vite Modeste Mina Curé". The document is aged and has some staining.

**Figure 17. Signatures on the marriage register for Louis Joseph Dufilho Jr. and Emy Adèle Becnel. St. John the Baptist Catholic Church, Edgard, Louisiana (1819). Individuals which have signed are as follows: Pierre Bozonier Marmillion, Jean Jacques Haydel, Jean Jacques Haydel Jr., Antoine Valsin Bozonier Marmillion, Louis Dufilho Jr., and Fr. Vite Modeste Mina.**



Ck. 22. Nous soussigné curé de cette paroisse de St. J. Baptiste  
 Comté des Allemands, Diocèse et Etat de la Louisiane  
 vu les lettres de dispenses de deux publications de bans de  
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 Mon. V. Gen. etc. vu aussi celles d'autorisation, et de dispense de 2 bans  
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 a passé un ban sans opposition ou empêchement quelconque  
 Louis Joseph Dufilho  
 avec  
 Adele Becnel  
 venus à leur connaissance: attendu aussi les permissions de  
 MM. Les juges de la Ct. de l'Orléans datées le 26. courant  
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 Marie Bonnet, ses père et mère d'une part, natif de Mirande  
 pays français département de Gers, âgé de 31. ans d'une part: et  
 entre Mlle Adele Becnel fille mineure, et légitime de feu mani-  
 milien Becnel, et d'Erastie Haydel, native de cette paroisse, et  
 domiciliée dans celle de St. Michel d'Orléans part, âgée de 16. ans.  
 Mr. L'Évêque est résident de la Ct. de l'Orléans. Ont été présents  
 en qualité de témoins à cette célébration M. Louis Du-  
 filho, Pierre et Valsar Bozonnier Marmillon, Jean J.  
 Haydel père et fils, des qui le mariage a été fait, et  
 plusieurs autres parents, qui nous ont dit bien connaître  
 les noms, domiciles et libertes des dites parties contractantes  
 et qui ont signé avec nous ce jour 29. avril 1819.  
 [Signatures: Louis Dufilho, Pierre Bozonnier, Valsar Bozonnier, Jean J. Haydel, Adele Becnel, Charles Mariani, etc.]  
 Dite Modeste Allina curé

Figure 18. Marriage register for Louis Joseph Dufilho Jr. and Emy Adele Becnel. St. John the Baptist Catholic Church, Edgard, Louisiana (1819).



Louis Dufilho Jr.'s apothecary shop/pharmacy was located at 514 Chartres Street in New Orleans, shown in Figure 19. He first purchased this property in 1822.<sup>9</sup> The construction was believed to have been completed in 1823 when the shop first opened for business. He operated the pharmacy until 1855, when, at that time, he sold the building to Celestine P. Fleitas Dupas, the wife of Dr. Joseph Dupas.<sup>10</sup>



**Figure 19. Location of Louis Joseph Dufilho's pharmacy at 514 Chartres Street in New Orleans. Photograph from The Historic New Orleans Collection, The Collins C. Diboll Vieux Carré Digital Survey, Negative no. 2\_027\_char\_512-516.**

About 1856, Louis Joseph and his family relocated to France, most likely soon after the sale of his pharmacy on 21 March 1855.<sup>11</sup> His death was recorded on 15 April 1856 in Paris, France as follows:<sup>12</sup>

Dufilho Louis Joseph

Marié

[Original in French]

L'an mil huit cent cinquante-six, le quinzième jour du mois d'Avril à quatre heures du soir par devant nous Jean Robert Néau, adjoint au maire délégué Officier de l'Etat civil de la commune de Suèvres canton de mer département de Loir-et-Cher, sont comparus Nicolas Morin âgé de quarante-trois ans profession [Prêtre?] domicilié à Suèvres et Auguste Baillergeau âgé de cinquante-huit ans profession de médecin domicilié à Suèvres.

Lesquels nous ont déclaré que le quinze du mois courant à onze heures du matin Louis Joseph Dufilho Junior âgé de soixante-sept ans profession de propriétaire demeurant à Suèvres département de Loir et Cher né à Mirande (Gers) époux de Madame Adèle Becnel, fils des défunts Jean Dufilho et Jeanne Marie Bonnet est décédé en notre commune, en la maison de la rue.

Le premier témoin nous a déclaré être ami et le second témoin être ami du décédé; et les déclarants ont signé avec nous le présent acte, après que lecture leur en a été faite.

[Signatures] Baillergeau, Morin, Robert Néau

[English Translation]

The year one thousand eight hundred and fifty-six, the fifteenth day of the month of April at four o'clock in the evening in front us Jean Robert Néau, deputy mayor delegate Registrar of the municipality of Suèvres, canton of Mer, department of Loir-et-Cher, appeared Nicolas Morin, forty-three years old, profession [Priest?] domiciled in Suèvres and Auguste Baillergeau, fifty-eight years old, profession of doctor, domiciled in Suèvres.

Who told us that the fifteenth of the current month at eleven o'clock in the morning Louis Joseph Dufilho Junior, sixty-seven years old, profession of owner residing in Suèvres in the department of Loir et Cher, born in Mirande (Gers) husband of Madame Adèle Becnel, son of the deceased Jean Dufilho and Jeanne Marie Bonnet, died in our commune, at [La Rue?].

The first witness told us that he was a friend of the deceased. The second witness was also a friend of the deceased. The declarants have signed this deed with us after it has been read to them.

[Signatures] Baillergeau, Morin, Robert Néau

Louis Joseph's death notice appeared in *The New Orleans Bee* on 12 May 1856, nearly two months after his death:<sup>13</sup>

Died, on the 15th of April last, at La Rue, near Blois (France), Mr. L. J. Dufilho Jr., aged 69 years, formerly a resident of New Orleans.

The sale of Louis Joseph's estate was announced shortly after his death in *The Daily Picayune*:<sup>14</sup>

Our readers will please notice that the sale of that beautiful estate of Mr. Dufilho, situated one and a half miles below the ferry landing on the Mississippi River, will be sold tomorrow by Messrs. J. A. Beard & May, at Banks's Arcade. The sale will be positive. Persons desirous of visiting the property will have an opportunity of doing so, as the gardener is on the premises to show them.



In 1856, Adèle was noted as being widowed and residing at La Rue, Suèvres, Loir-et-Cher, Centre, France, along with her daughters, Amelie and Palmyre, and their respective husbands, Pierre Rousse and Adolphe Gilles.<sup>15</sup> When Adèle passed away in Paris on 16 January 1868, her death was recorded as follows:<sup>16</sup>

*[Original in French]*

Veuve Dufilho

Du Jeudi seize Janvier mil huit cent soixante-huit, à deux heures trois quarts de relevée. Acte de Décès de Adèle Becnel, rentière, âgée de soixante-quatre années et dix mois née à St Jean Baptiste (Louisiana-Etats Unis d'Amérique), décédée ce matin, à sept heures vingt minutes en son domicile rue Chaptal no. 6; veuve de Louis Joseph Dufilho. Ledit acte dressé en présence et sur la déclaration de M. M. Marc Nicolas Borde, banquier, âgé de quarante-neuf ans demeurant à Paris rue Taitbout no. 63, et Pierre Léopold Jeannet, propriétaire âgé de cinquante-neuf ans, demeurant à Paris, rue du Rocher no. 63 ; témoin qui ont signé avec nous, Léon Olivet, adjoint au maire, Chevalier de la légion d'honneur, après lecture fait le décès constaté suivant la loi.

*[Signatures]* Léopold Jeannet, M. N. Borde, Léon Jolivet

*[English Translation]*

This Thursday, January sixteenth, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight (1868) at quarter before three. Death Certificate of Adèle Becnel, annuitant, aged of sixty-four years and ten months, born at St. John the Baptist Parish (Louisiana, United States of America) died this morning at seven o'clock twenty minutes in her home, Rue Chaptal no. 6; widow of Louis Joseph Dufilho. The mentioned act drawn up in the presence and on the declaration of MM. Marc Nicolas Borde, banker, forty-nine years old living in Paris, Rue Taitbout no. 63, and Pierre Léopold Jeannet, owner aged fifty-nine, living in Paris, Rue du Rocher no. 63; witness who signed with us, Léon Olivet, Deputy mayor, Chevalier of the Legion of Honor, after the reading done, the death is declared in accordance with the law.

*[Signatures]* Léopold Jeannet, M. N. Borde, Léon Jolivet

#### Children of Louis Joseph Dufilho Jr. and Emy Adèle Becnel:

- 14 i. LOUIS<sup>1</sup> DUFILHO, born about March 1820;<sup>17</sup> died at age 2 months on 9 May 1820;<sup>18</sup> buried in St. Louis Cemetery No. 1 in New Orleans.<sup>19</sup>
- 15 ii. AMELIE/EMELIE DUFILHO, born about 1822 in Louisiana;<sup>20</sup> married Pierre Rousse.<sup>21</sup> Pierre was born about 1808 in France.<sup>22</sup>
- 16 iii. DELPHINE LOUISE DUFILHO, born 7 April 1823 in New Orleans;<sup>23</sup> baptized 13 May 1824 at St. Louis Cathedral in New Orleans;<sup>24</sup> died at age 13 months and buried 6 June 1824 in St. Louis Cemetery No. 1.<sup>25</sup> Her death was noted as due to inflammation.<sup>26</sup>
- 17 iv. AUGUSTE DUFILHO, born about 1824;<sup>27</sup> died at age 5 and was buried 8 April 1829 in St. Louis Cemetery No. 1.<sup>28</sup>
- 18 v. JULES REMIS DUFILHO, born 1 October 1826 in New Orleans;<sup>29</sup> baptized 17 April 1830 at St. Louis Cathedral in New Orleans;<sup>30</sup> died at age 5 on 3 July 1832 in New Orleans;<sup>31</sup> buried in St. Louis Cemetery No. 1.<sup>32</sup>
- + 19 vi. PALMYRE JOSÉPHINE DUFILHO, born 28 July 1828, probably in New Orleans;<sup>33</sup> baptized 4 May 1829 at St. Louis Cathedral in New Orleans;<sup>34</sup> married about 2 February 1850 in New Orleans, Adolphe Aubin Gilles;<sup>35</sup> died 11 August 1888 in Cherbourg, Manche, Basse-

- Normandie, France.<sup>36</sup>
- + 20 vii. ADÈLE DUFILHO, born 6 March 1830 in New Orleans;<sup>37</sup> baptized 14 March 1830 at St. Louis Cathedral in New Orleans;<sup>38</sup> married about 2 February 1850 in New Orleans, Pierre Léopold Jeannet;<sup>39</sup> died 15 April 1898 in Paris, France.<sup>40</sup>
  - 21 viii. ALFRED DUFILHO, born about December 1831;<sup>41</sup> died at age 7 months on 26 July 1832 in New Orleans; buried in St. Louis Cemetery No. 1.<sup>42</sup>
  - + 22 ix. ALFRED JOSEPH DUFILHO SR., born in January 1834 in Paris, France;<sup>43</sup> died 3 July 1907 in New Orleans;<sup>44</sup> buried in Lafayette Cemetery No. 1 in New Orleans;<sup>45</sup> married 16 December 1858 in New Orleans, Corinne Louise McDonald Taylor.<sup>46</sup>

Louis Joseph Dufilho Jr. and Emy Adèle Becnel Dufilho had nine children in total, but the following five died at a very young age: Louis (no. 14), Delphine Louise (no. 16), Auguste (no. 17), Jules Remis (no. 18), and Alfred (no. 21). The burial registers for Delphine Louise, Auguste, Jules Remis, and Alfred are translated and transcribed below. The burial register for Louis (no. 14) has not been found at the time of this writing.

The burial register for Delphine Louise Dufilho (no. 16), shown in Figure 20, was recorded as follows:<sup>47</sup>

[Original in French]

No. 1314

Delphine Dufilhó

L'An dix-huit cent vingt-quatre et le six Juin a été inhumé dans le Cimetière de Cette Parroisse St. Louis de la Nouvelle Orléans, par nous soussigné Vicaire de la dite Parroisse le corps de feu Delphine Dufilhó enfant de deux ans; fille légitime de Mr. Louis Joseph Dufilhó et de Dme. Adelle Becknel son épouse; en foi de quoi nous avons signé. [Signature] Moné

[English Translation]

In the year eighteen hundred twenty-four, on the sixth of June, was interred in the Cemetery of St. Louis Parish, in New Orleans, by me, undersigned vicar of the said parish, the remains of the late Delphine Dufilho, a child of two years of age, legitimate daughter of Louis Joseph Dufilho and his wife Adelle Becknel. In testimony whereof, I have signed my name. [Signature] Moné.

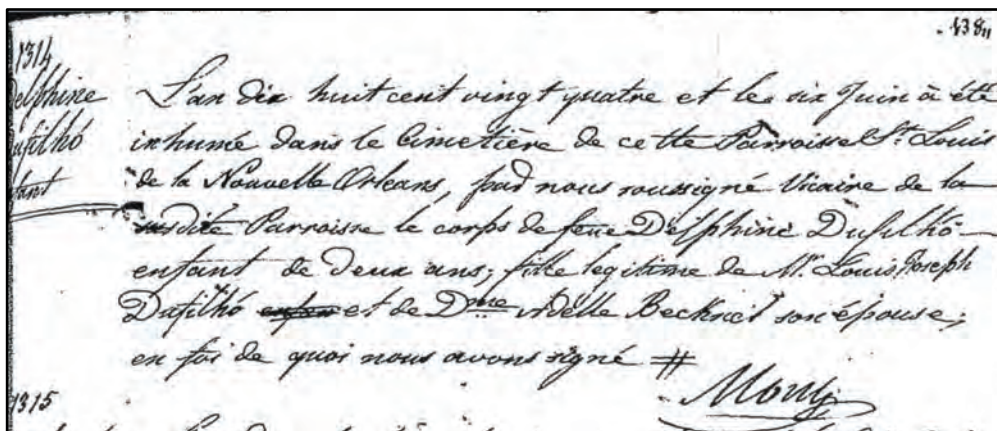


Figure 20. Burial register for Delphine Louise Dufilho, 1824.

The burial register for Auguste Dufilho (no. 17), shown in Figure 21, was recorded as follows:<sup>48</sup>

[Original in French]

No. 114

Auguste Dufilhó

L'An mil huit cent, vingt-neuf, et le huit Avril, Je Soussigné Prêtre Curé de cette Paroisse Saint Louis de cette ville de la Nouvelle Orléans, ai inhumé dans le Cimetière de ladite Paroisse le corps de feu Auguste Dufilhó enfant âgé de cinq ans, fils légitime de Mr. Joseph Dufilhó, et de Dame Adelle Becnel, son épouse ses père et mère; en foi de quoi j'ai signé. [Signature] L. Moné

[English Translation]

In the year eighteen hundred twenty-nine, on the eighth of April, I, undersigned priest and curate of Saint Louis Parish, in New Orleans, interred in the cemetery of the said parish, the remains of the late Auguste Dufilho, a child of five years of age, legitimate son of Joseph Dufilho and his wife Adelle Becnel, his parents. In testimony whereof, I signed my name. [Signature] L. Moné

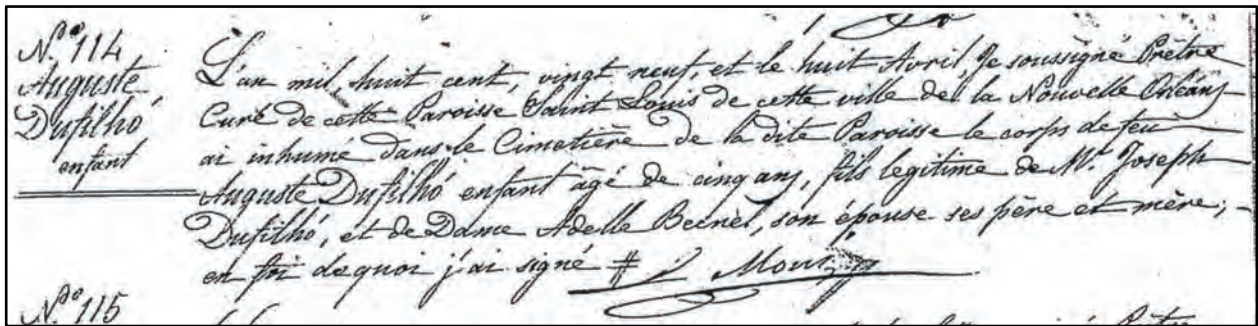


Figure 21. Burial register for Auguste Dufilho, 1829.

The burial register for Jules Remis Dufilho (no. 18), shown in Figure 22, was recorded as follows:<sup>49</sup>

[Original in French]

No. 283

Jules Dufilho

Aujourd'hui Mardi troisième jour du mois de Juillet de L'an mil huit cent trente-deux à six heures du soir: Je soussigné Louis, Moné, Prêtre, Curé de l'Eglise Cathédrale et Paroissiale de St. Louis de cette ville de la Nouvelle Orléans dans l'Etat de la Louisiane ai inhumé dans le nouveau Cimetière de la dite Eglise le corps de feu Jules Dufilho enfant âgé de cinq ans et demi né en cette même ville du légitime mariage de Mr. Louis Joseph Dufilho Jr. avec Dame Adèle Becnel son épouse, ses père et mère. Décédé ce matin à une heure et demi. En foi de quoi j'ai signé. [Signature] L. Moné, curé

[English Translation]

On today, Tuesday, third day of July in the year eighteen hundred thirty-two, at six o'clock in the evening, I, Louis Moné, undersigned priest and curate of the Cathedral and Parish of St. Louis of New Orleans, Louisiana, interred in the new cemetery of the said church, the remains of the late Jules Dufilho, a child of five years of age, who died this morning at one-thirty, born in this same city of the legitimate marriage of Louis Joseph Dufilho Jr. and his wife Adèle Becnel, his parents. In testimony whereof, I signed my name. [Signature] L. Moné, curate

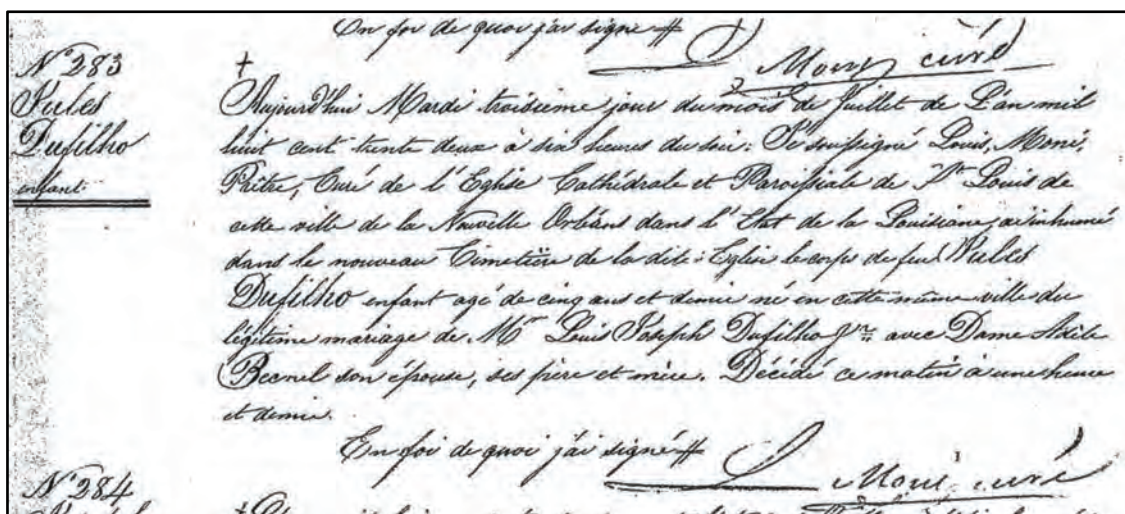


Figure 22. Burial register for Jules Remis Dufilho, 1832.

The burial register for Alfred Dufilho (no. 21), shown in Figure 23, was recorded as follows:<sup>50</sup>

[Original in French]

No. 332 Alfred Dufilhó

L'An mil huit cent trente-deux et le vingt-six de Juillet a été inhumé dans le Cimetière de l'Eglise Cathédrale et Paroissiale de Saint Louis de cette ville de la Nouvelle Orléans dans l'Etat de la Louisiane le corps de feu Alfred Dufilho enfant âgé d'environ sept mois né en cette même ville du légitime mariage Mr. Louis Joseph Dufilho Jr. avec Dame Adèle Becnel son épouse ses père et mère.

En foi de quoi j'ai signé. [Signature] L. Moné, curé

[English Translation]

In the year eighteen hundred thirty-two, on the sixth of July, was interred in the cemetery of the Cathedral and Parish Church of St. Louis in New Orleans, Louisiana, the remains of the late Alfred Dufilho, a child aged about seven months, born in this said city of the legitimate marriage of Louis Joseph Dufilho Jr. and his wife Adèle Becnel, his parents. In testimony whereof, I signed my name.

[Signature] L. Moné, curate

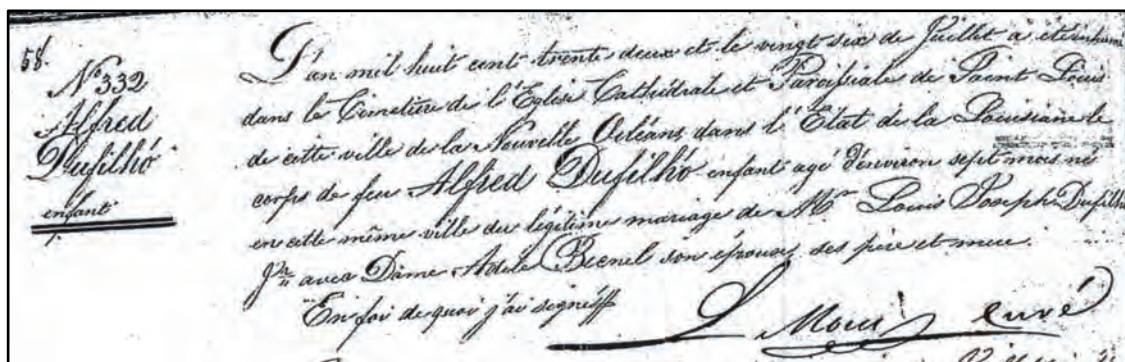


Figure 23. Burial register for Alfred Dufilho, 1832.



- <sup>1</sup> St. John the Baptist Catholic Church (Edgard, Louisiana), Marriages vol. 3, pps. 9–10, Louis Joseph Dufilho and Adele Becnel (1819); original marriage register notes Louis Joseph's age as 31. 1850 U.S. census, Orleans Parish, Louisiana, New Orleans, ward 2, p. 80 (stamped), family 2164, Joseph Dufilho Jr.; digital image, *Ancestry.com*; citing NARA microfilm M432, roll 235; notes Joseph's age as 61 and France as his place of birth. "New Orleans, Passenger Lists, 1813-1963," digital images, *Ancestry.com*, passenger list for the ship *Rubicon* arriving at New Orleans from Le Havre, France, 6 November 1837, Joseph Dufilho and family; citing NARA *Passenger Lists of Vessels Arriving at New Orleans, Louisiana, 1820-1902*; NAI no. 2824927, Record Group 85; notes Louis Joseph's age as 48.
- <sup>2</sup> "L. J. Dufilho Jr.," death notice, *The New Orleans Bee* (New Orleans, Louisiana), 12 May 1856, p. 1, col. 5; New Orleans Public Library. Stephen M. Houin, "The Dufilho Family in Louisiana," *New Orleans Genesis* (January 1986), 1–12. Registre d'état civil, Archives départementales de Loir-et-Cher, digital images, *Culture 41* (<http://www.culture41.fr/Archives-departementales>: accessed 25 July 2021), Registre des actes de Décès, Suèvres, Arrondissement de Blois, Département de Loir et Cher, record for Louis Joseph Dufilho, no. 11, (<http://archives.culture41.fr/ark:/57457/vta5350d6332def2/daogrp/0/345>: accessed 25 July 2021); citing microfilm des registres des naissances, mariages, décès (1852-1862).
- <sup>3</sup> Laurel A. Dorrance, "Dufilho, Grandchamps, or Peyroux? The Development of Professional Pharmacy in Colonial and Early National American Louisiana," (<https://scholarworks.uno.edu/td/1305>: accessed 27 December 2019), *University of New Orleans Theses and Dissertations*, paper 1305, 2011, p. 32; citing Comité Médical de la Nouvelle-Orléans, *Registre du Comité de la Nouvelle-Orléans, 1816–1854*.
- <sup>4</sup> Laurel A. Dorrance, "Dufilho, Grandchamps, or Peyroux? The Development of Professional Pharmacy in Colonial and Early National American Louisiana," p. 25.
- <sup>5</sup> St. John the Baptist Catholic Church (Edgard, Louisiana), Marriages vol. 3, pps. 9–10, Louis Joseph Dufilho and Adele Becnel (1819); translated and transcribed by Christophe Landry, Louisiana Historic and Cultural Vistas, 2020.
- <sup>6</sup> Registres de l'état civil, Ville de Paris, Département de la Seine, France, death record for Becnel Vve. Dufilho, 16 January 1868, p. 17, no. 93 (<http://archives.paris.fr/arkotheque/visionneuse/visionneuse.php?arko=YTo2OntzOjQ6ImRhdGUiO3M6MTA6IjIwMjEtMDctMDQiO3M6MTA6InR5cGVfZm9uZHMiO3M6MTE6ImFya29fc2VyaWVzIjtzOjQ6InJlZjEiO2k6NDtzOjQ6InJlZjEiO2k6MjA0Mzk0O3M6MTY6InZpc2lvbm5ldXNlX2h0bWwiO2I6MTtzOjI6X2Npb25uZXVzZV9odG1sX21vZGUiO3M6ND0icHJvZCI7fQ>: accessed 25 July 2021); digital images, *Archives de Paris*, (<http://archives.paris.fr/s/4/etat-civil-actes>: accessed 25 July 2021).
- <sup>7</sup> Samuel Wilson, Jr., "The Building Contract for Evergreen Plantation, 1832," *Louisiana History: The Journal of the Louisiana Historical Association* vol. 31, no. 4 (Winter, 1990), 399–40; image copy, JSTOR (<http://www.jstor.org/stable/4232841>: accessed 22 August 2020). U.S. Department of the Interior, *National Register of Historic Places*, Whitney Plantation, Wallace vicinity, St. John the Baptist Parish, Louisiana, section no. 8, p. 6 (<https://npgallery.nps.gov/NRHP/GetAsset/c4ac2126-6605-44aa-8c38-4ba04db7d413>: accessed 22 August 2020). U.S. Department of the Interior, *National Register of Historic Places*, Evergreen Plantation, Wallace vicinity, St. John the Baptist Parish, Louisiana, section no. 7, p. 1 (<https://npgallery.nps.gov/AssetDetail/NRIS/91001386>: accessed 22 August 2020).
- <sup>8</sup> St. John the Baptist Catholic Church (Edgard, Louisiana), Marriages vol. 3, pps. 9–10, Louis Joseph Dufilho and Adele Becnel (1819); translated and transcribed by Christophe Landry, Louisiana Historic and Cultural Vistas, 2020.
- <sup>9</sup> "The Collins C. Diboll Vieux Carré Digital Survey," The Historic New Orleans Collection (<https://www.hnoc.org>: accessed 27 December 2019), 512-516 Chartres St., [https://www.hnoc.org/vcs/property\\_info.php?lot=18446-01](https://www.hnoc.org/vcs/property_info.php?lot=18446-01). Ben Bavly, curator, "The Historical Pharmacy Museum of the City of New Orleans."; copy personally held by Mark Edwin Hollier.
- <sup>10</sup> "The Collins C. Diboll Vieux Carré Digital Survey," The Historic New Orleans Collection (<https://www.hnoc.org>: accessed 27 December 2019), 512-516 Chartres St., [https://www.hnoc.org/vcs/property\\_info.php?lot=18446-01](https://www.hnoc.org/vcs/property_info.php?lot=18446-01).

- <sup>1</sup> “The Collins C. Diboll Vieux Carré Digital Survey,” The Historic New Orleans Collection (https://www.hnoc.org: accessed 27 December 2019), 512-516 Chartres St., https://www.hnoc.org/vcs/property\_info.php?lot=18446-01.
- <sup>12</sup> Registre d'état civil, Archives départementales de Loir-et-Cher, digital images, *Culture 41* (<http://www.culture41.fr/Archives-departementales>: accessed 25 July 2021), Registre des actes de Décès, Suèvres, Arrondissement de Blois, Département de Loir et Cher, record for Louis Joseph Dufilho, no. 11, (<http://archives.culture41.fr/ark:/57457/vta5350d6332def2/daogrp/0/345>: accessed 25 July 2021); citing microfilm des registres des naissances, mariages, décès (1852-1862).
- <sup>13</sup> “L. J. Dufilho Jr.,” death notice, *The New Orleans Bee* (New Orleans, Louisiana), 12 May 1856, p. 1, col. 5; New Orleans Public Library. Stephen M. Houin, “The Dufilho Family in Louisiana,” *New Orleans Genesis* (January 1986), 1–12.
- <sup>4</sup> *The Daily Picayune* (New Orleans, Louisiana), 18 April 1856, p. 4, col. 1.
- <sup>15</sup> “Années de recensements (1831 – 1906),” Archives départementales de Loir-et-Cher, digital images, *Culture 41* (<http://www.culture41.fr/Archives-departementales>: accessed 25 July 2021), microfilm 2 MILN R284, 1856 Dénombrement de la population, La Rue, Commune de Suèvres, Arrondissement de Blois, Département de Loir et Cher, Adèle Becnel Vve. Dufilho (<http://archives.culture41.fr/ark:/57457/vta534e77668a588/daogrp/0/226>: accessed 25 July 2021).
- <sup>16</sup> Registres de l'état civil, Ville de Paris, Département de la Seine, France, death record for Becnel Vve. Dufilho, 16 January 1868, p. 17, no. 93 (<http://archives.paris.fr/arkotheque/visionneuse/visionneuse.php?arko=YTo2OntzOjQ6ImRhdGUiO3M6MTA6IjJwMjEtMDctMDQiO3M6MTA6InR5cGVfZm9uZHMiO3M6MTE6ImFya29fc2VyaWVsIjtzOjQ6InJlZjEiO2k6NDtzOjQ6InJlZjEiO2k6MjA0Mzk0O3M6MTY6InZpc2lvbm5ldXNlX2h0bWwiO2I6MTtzOjIxOiJ2aXNpb25uZXVzZV9odGlsX2IvZGUiO3M6NDoiCHJvZCI7fQ>: accessed 25 July 2021); digital images, *Archives de Paris*, (<http://archives.paris.fr/s/4/etat-civil-actes>: accessed 25 July 2021).
- <sup>17</sup> “St. Louis Cemetery No. 1 [New Orleans] Tombstone Index,” (card file, 1934-1940, Louisiana Historical Center, New Orleans), entry for Louis Dufilho; notes “died 9 May 1820 aged 2 mos.”
- <sup>18</sup> Ibid.
- <sup>19</sup> Ibid.
- <sup>20</sup> 1850 U.S. census, Orleans Parish, Louisiana, New Orleans, ward 2, p. 80 (stamped), family 2164, Joseph Dufilho Jr.; digital images, *Ancestry.com*; citing NARA microfilm M432, roll 235; Amelie is noted to be 28 years old. “New Orleans, Passenger Lists, 1813-1963,” digital images, *Ancestry.com*, passenger list for the ship *Rubicon* arriving at New Orleans from Le Havre, France, 6 November 1837, Joseph Dufilho and family; A. Dufilho, presumably Amelie, is noted to be 16 years old.
- <sup>21</sup> 1850 U.S. census, Orleans Parish, Louisiana, New Orleans, ward 2, p. 80 (stamped), family 2164, Joseph Dufilho Jr.; digital images, *Ancestry.com*; citing NARA microfilm M432, roll 235; Pierre and Amelie Rousse is noted as residing with Joseph Dufilho Jr. Stephen M. Houin, “The Dufilho Family in Louisiana,” *New Orleans Genesis* (January 1986), 1–12.
- <sup>22</sup> 1850 U.S. census, Orleans Parish, Louisiana, New Orleans, ward 2, p. 80 (stamped), family 2164, Joseph Dufilho Jr.; digital images, *Ancestry.com*; citing NARA microfilm M432, roll 235; Pierre is noted to be 42 years old and France as his place of birth.
- <sup>23</sup> St. Louis Cathedral (New Orleans, Louisiana), Baptisms, certificate and register, vol. 10, p. 112, no. 508, Louise Delphine Dufilho (1824); certified copy provided by the Office of Archives and Records, Archdiocese of New Orleans; privately held by Mark Edwin Hollier, Opelousas, Louisiana, 2021.
- <sup>24</sup> Ibid.
- <sup>25</sup> St. Louis Cathedral (New Orleans, Louisiana), Funeral Registers, Delphine Dufilho, register and certificate, buried 6 June 1824; citing 1823-1824 funeral records, p. 138, no. 1314.

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- <sup>26</sup> “Board of Health Report of Interments,” *Louisiana Courier* (New Orleans, Louisiana), 10 June 1824, p. 1, col. 3; New Orleans Public Library; entry “Delphine Dufilho, a white infant; inflammation.”
- <sup>27</sup> St. Louis Cathedral (New Orleans, Louisiana), Funeral Registers, burial register and certificate, Auguste Dufilho, 8 April 1829; citing 1829-1830 funerals, p. 38, no. 114; certified copy supplied by the Office of Archives and Records, Archdiocese of New Orleans; copy privately held by Mark Edwin Hollier, Opelousas, Louisiana, 2020; original register notes Auguste’s age as 5 years (“cinq ans”).
- <sup>28</sup> Ibid.
- <sup>29</sup> St. Louis Cathedral (New Orleans, Louisiana), Baptisms, register and certificate, vol. 13, p. 146, no. 643, Remis Jules Dufilho (1830); certified copy provided by the Office of Archives and Records, Archdiocese of New Orleans; privately held by Mark Edwin Hollier, Opelousas, Louisiana, 2021.
- <sup>30</sup> Ibid.
- <sup>31</sup> “Jules Dufilho,” death notice, *Louisiana Courier* (New Orleans, Louisiana), 3 July 1832, p. 2, col. 3; New Orleans Public Library. St. Louis Cathedral (New Orleans, Louisiana), Funeral Registers, burial register and certificate, Jules Dufilho, died and buried 3 July 1832; citing 1832-1833 funerals, p. 49, no. 283; certified copy supplied by the Office of Archives and Records, Archdiocese of New Orleans; copy privately held by Mark Edwin Hollier, Opelousas, Louisiana, 2020.
- <sup>32</sup> St. Louis Cathedral (New Orleans, Louisiana), Funeral Registers, burial register and certificate, Jules Dufilho, died and buried 3 July 1832; citing 1832-1833 funerals, p. 49, no. 283; certified copy supplied by the Office of Archives and Records, Archdiocese of New Orleans; copy privately held by Mark Edwin Hollier, Opelousas, Louisiana, 2020.
- <sup>33</sup> St. Louis Cathedral (New Orleans, Louisiana), Baptisms, certificate and register, vol. 13, p. 58, no. 253, Palmyre Josephine Dufilho (1828); certified copy provided by the Office of Archives and Records, Archdiocese of New Orleans; privately held by Mark Edwin Hollier, Opelousas, Louisiana, 2021.
- <sup>34</sup> Ibid.
- <sup>35</sup> “Orleans Parish, Louisiana marriage licenses and certificates, 1834-1888,” *FamilySearch* (<https://www.familysearch.org>; accessed 1 January 2020), no. 1565, Adolphe Gilles and Palmyre Dufilho, 2 February 1850, <https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:33S7-95YR-GY2>, citing Marriage Licenses, 4th Justice, vol. VEE 678; FHL microfilm 903,930, roll 145. Louisiana, “Louisiana Birth Records Index,” database, Louisiana Secretary of State (<http://www.sos.la.gov>; accessed 1 January 2020), entry for Bonne Anna Marie Amelie Gilles, Orleans Parish, 8 February 1851; citing vol. 11, p. 559; birth record notes parents Palmyre Dufilho and Adolphe Aubin Gilles.
- <sup>36</sup> Décès, Cherbourg, Département de la Manche, death record for Palmyre Joséphine Dufilho, 11 August 1888, p. 176, no. 675 (<https://www.archives-manche.fr/ark:/57115/s005e5e5dd89ff90/5e5e5dd8a5113.ef=2&s=14>; accessed 31 July 2021); digital images, *Archives départementales de la Manche*, <https://www.archives-manche.fr>.
- <sup>37</sup> St. Louis Cathedral (New Orleans, Louisiana), Baptisms, certificate and register, vol. 40, p. 135, no. 591, Adele Dufilho (1830); certified copy provided by the Office of Archives and Records, Archdiocese of New Orleans; privately held by Mark Edwin Hollier, Opelousas, Louisiana, 2021..
- <sup>38</sup> Ibid.
- <sup>39</sup> “Orleans Parish, Louisiana marriage licenses and certificates, 1834-1888,” *FamilySearch* (<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:QKJC-SWMG>; accessed 1 January 2020), no. 1566, Pierre Leopold Jeannet and Adele Dufilho, 2 February 1850; citing Marriage Licenses, 4th Justice, vol. VEE 678; FHL microfilm 903,930, roll 145.
- <sup>40</sup> “Adele Dufilho,” death notice, *The Times-Democrat* (New Orleans, Louisiana), 17 April 1898, p. 2. Registres de l’état civil, Ville de Paris, Département de la Seine, France, Décès, death record for Adele Dufilho, 15 April 1898, p. 10, no. 667 (<http://archives.paris.fr/arkotheque/visionneuse/visionneuse.php?arko=YTo2OntzOjQ6ImRhdGUiO3M6MTA6IjIwMjEtMDYtMjgiO3M6MTA6InR5cGVfZm9uZHMtO3M6MTE6ImFya29fc2VyaWVsljtzOjQ6InJlZjEiO2k6NDtzOj>



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<sup>41</sup> St. Louis Cathedral (New Orleans, Louisiana), Funeral Registers, burial register and certificate, Alfred Dufilho, 26 July 1832; citing 1832-1833 funerals, p. 58, no. 332; certified copy supplied by the Office of Archives and Records, Archdiocese of New Orleans; copy privately held by Mark Edwin Hollier, Opelousas, Louisiana, 2020; noted age about 7 months (“enfant âgé d’environ sept mois”).

<sup>42</sup> Ibid.

<sup>43</sup> 1900 U.S. census, Orleans Parish, Louisiana, New Orleans, ward 7, enumeration district 65, sheet 25B, p. 283B (stamped), house 1133, family 518, Alfred S. Dufilho; digital image, *Ancestry.com*; citing NARA microfilm T623, roll 572; notes January 1834 for his date of birth and France as his place of birth. Louisiana, Secretary of State, death certificate, vol. 141, no. 467 (1907), Alfred Dufilho Sr.; Louisiana State Archives, Baton Rouge; death certificate notes his place of birth as Paris, France. “Alfred Dufilho Sr.,” obituary, *Times-Picayune* (New Orleans, Louisiana), 4 July 1907, p. 7, col. 4; obituary notes that he was “a native of Paris, France.”

<sup>44</sup> Louisiana, Secretary of State, death certificate, vol. 141, no. 467 (1907), Alfred Dufilho Sr.; Louisiana State Archives, Baton Rouge. “Alfred Dufilho Sr.,” obituary, *Times-Picayune* (New Orleans, Louisiana), 4 July 1907, p. 7, col. 4.

<sup>45</sup> “Alfred Dufilho Sr.,” obituary, *Times-Picayune* (New Orleans, Louisiana), 4 July 1907, p. 7, col. 4. Lafayette Cemetery No. 1 (New Orleans, Louisiana), photograph, gravestone for Alfred Dufilho Sr., Taylor family tomb, section 3, plots 185-190; photographed by Mark Edwin Hollier, 29 July 2013.

<sup>46</sup> “Orleans Parish, Louisiana marriage licenses and certificates, 1834-1888,” *FamilySearch*, Alfred Joseph Dufilho and Corinne Louise Taylor, 16 December 1858 (<https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:QKJC-9N63>; accessed 18 April 2021); citing Certificates, 3rd Justice 1846-1869, FHL microfilm 903,915, volume VED 658.

<sup>47</sup> St. Louis Cathedral (New Orleans, Louisiana), Funeral Registers, Delphine Dufilho, register and certificate, buried 6 June 1824; citing 1823-1824 funeral records, p. 138, no. 1314; copy privately held by Mark Edwin Hollier, Opelousas, Louisiana, 2020; translated and transcribed by Christophe Landry, Louisiana Historic and Cultural Vistas, 2020.

<sup>48</sup> St. Louis Cathedral (New Orleans, Louisiana), Funeral Registers, burial register and certificate, Auguste Dufilho, 8 April 1829; citing 1829-1830 funerals, p. 38, no. 114; certified copy supplied by the Office of Archives and Records, Archdiocese of New Orleans; copy privately held by Mark Edwin Hollier, Opelousas, Louisiana, 2020; translated and transcribed by Christophe Landry, Louisiana Historic and Cultural Vistas, 2020.

<sup>49</sup> St. Louis Cathedral (New Orleans, Louisiana), Funeral Registers, burial register and certificate, Jules Dufilho, died and buried 3 July 1832; citing 1832-1833 funerals, p. 49, no. 283; certified copy supplied by the Office of Archives and Records, Archdiocese of New Orleans; copy privately held by Mark Edwin Hollier, Opelousas, Louisiana, 2020; translated and transcribed by Christophe Landry, Louisiana Historic and Cultural Vistas, 2020.

<sup>50</sup> St. Louis Cathedral (New Orleans, Louisiana), Funeral Registers, burial register and certificate, Alfred Dufilho, 26 July 1832; citing 1832-1833 funerals, p. 58, no. 332; certified copy supplied by the Office of Archives and Records, Archdiocese of New Orleans; copy privately held by Mark Edwin Hollier, Opelousas, Louisiana, 2020; translated and transcribed by Christophe Landry, Louisiana Historic and Cultural Vistas, 2020.