

Art Dahlin

Born: February 1912, the same month that Arizona became the 48th state of the United States of America.

Died: About 2003 at the of 91 years.

His father Gus, came to Walker in 1896. He was a blacksmith and a champion driller.

Art's occupation was mule Skinner, miner, and cowboy. For a short time, he worked in the mines at Jerome, Arizona.

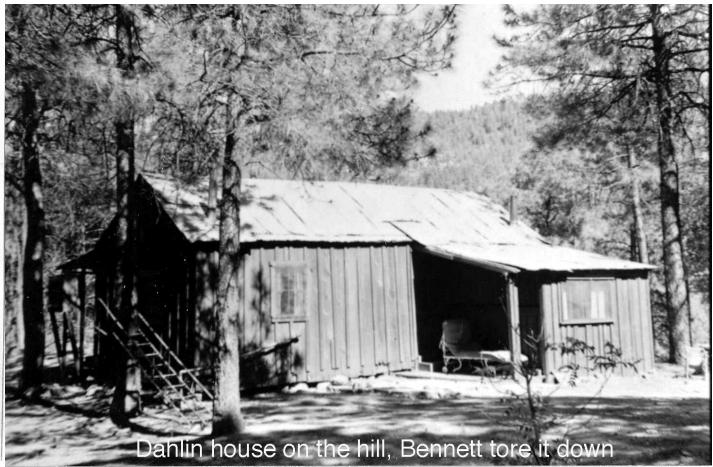
His hobby is mountain lion hunting.

He was described in the book "Damn Those Mules" written by Mary Wilson Allen, (<https://www.amazon.com/Damn-Those-Mules-History-General/dp/1434916189#:~:text=Have%20you%20ever%20had%20an,path%20previously%20dominated%20by%20men>) that he was a "...not-so-tall, lean old cowboy, just a little bent in the middle. He is so skinny he wouldn't make a good barbecued rib. The sun and wind of Arizona have been etched in every smiling wrinkle of this weather-beaten face. He has a way of smiling that tends to make one think he is always just about to get into mischief."

The house he and Kathrine lived in since 1960 on Dahlin Road was built using lumber from the old (Dave) Booker Store building, which later became the (3rd) schoolhouse, as well as from the homestead house where he was born just off of Sunday School Road near the present intersection of Old Walker Road and Old Walker Road. It was at this same intersection that he and Katherine purchased a 12' X 24' cabin for \$15.00. They tore it down and built another cabin that was later sold to Harry Bennett for his mother-in-law. Bennett subsequently moved the cabin to Walker Road across from the intersection of Dahlin Road. Phil Murray purchased the cabin from Bennett, and that is also when the Dahlins purchased their property on Dahlin Road from Bennett.



The old chinning bar still works. PHOTO BY JEFFREY R. HARRIS



Danlin house on the hill, Bennett tore it down