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Osiyo,

For any one who wish too knows if we have any idea who Principal Chief John Ross was, First of all he was part of the extended family of the Green Family, as was the Hicks, Starr, and many More. John Ross was seven- eights Scottish, a mix Breed Indian as many of us, and many of the leaders of that time. John was born in 1790 at Turkey town, Alabama near the Coosa River, and not too far from Indian Creek Village, took the fight too the supreme court against the removal of the Cherokee, and won, but Andrew Jackson force the removal any way, John Ross was the Principal Chief from 1828 to 1866. John when too Alabama many time from 1801 to 1816 too talk with the Chickamauga Cherokee Warriors at Muscle Shoals and Indian Creek near were he was born, this is found in the records of the Indian Agent in Chattanooga ,Tennessee were you had too get permission too go in too the Creek Indian Land at this time. John also took part in the war of 1812 fighting on the side of the American against the Chickamauga Cherokee and the Red Stick Creek Warriors at Horseshoe Bend who job had been for thousand of year too protect the lands of the Cherokee, that no one can sale, trade or give away lands of the Cherokee too only another Cherokee, if you did so, it would be death, that is why the Ridges was kill in Oklahoma. John belief that the United State would never force the Cherokee too the west, he was wrong, so was my Cousin Nance Ward who place her trust in the American, only too find that they lie too them. John had many problem in Oklahoma because the people make demands on him too find ways too un –do what had happen too the Cherokee, but their was no way John could ever change what had taken place, Nance was the Cousin too Dragging Canoe, The War Chief of the Chickamauga Cherokee. Their is much too be said about John Ross, John did what he belief was right, even when it when against the laws of the Cherokee that we live by for many thousands of years. Our Warriors the Chickamauga was also doing what we belief was right, trying too live by and follow the laws we had live by for thousands of years. The Cherokee Nation will never be the same , the American was good had what they did , a house that will not stand together will fall , and now our people the Native People are only 1% of all the people in North American , and our voices are not heard , many of our people are treated like they are less than human. Our Chief Dragging Canoe said if you have one drop of Indian blood then you are a Native American , What change many of our leaders of that time was only Half Breed now all at once they all think they became full bloods, and that was not so. The people who carry on the fight for our home lands, are now make the bad guy, but why did they kill the Ridges for sale us out, when they them self are doing the same thing too our on people, what make them any different from the Ridges, one is calling the pot Black, they need too take a good look at them self's.

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