

**J. W. GREEN**  
*Pioneer, Businessman, Community Leader*



*J. W. Green arrived in Buffalo in September 1879. He was 16 years of age and had traveled from his birth place in Independence, Virginia. He was employed by the Morrison Timber Company as a logger and made his first home, a lean-to built between two large granite boulders, along Buffalo Creek.*

*He worked as a logger and by 1883 he owned the store, "J.W.Green, Dealer in Everything".*

*Between 1885 and 1888, he acquired a hotel, sawmill and a house with lots along the North Fork of the South Platte River.*

*His sawmill supplied railroad ties for the Denver Tramway. In the heyday of business, five spur tracks were built for unloading merchandise and loading lumber. Every day 25 to 30 cars of lumber were shipped to Denver. In 1937 when the railroad pulled up the tracks, trucks were used to deliver the lumber.*

*In 1886, President Grover Cleveland appointed J. W. Green, Postmaster of Buffalo Creek. He maintained that position until 1915, when his son took over the position. By 1899, Mr. Green was a deputy sheriff for Buffalo Creek and the surrounding area. He oversaw voting from the time he bought the store until his death in 1948.*

*Mr. Green worked his way up from a newcomer to the new Denver, South Park and Pacific Railroad stop called "Buffalo" to a successful businessman, postmaster, deputy sheriff and community activist to provide for the residents of Buffalo Creek.*

*J. W. Green was elected to the Jefferson County Historical Commission Hall of Fame in 2014.*