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Frankie Sullivan Quimby, Sea Island Singers

Frankie Sullivan Quimby was born and raised on the Georgia Sea Islands. Her family took the name Sullivan after the Emancipation, one of the few families who can trace their ancestry back to a specific spot in Africa. The Sullivans, members of the Foulah Tribe, came from the town of Kianah in the District of Temourah in the Kingdom of Massina, on the Niger River.

Frankie, the oldest of thirteen children, is descended from slaves on the Hopeton and Altama Plantations in Glynn County. Many of her relatives still live in the Brunswick, Georgia area and on St. Simons Island.

Frankie is often quoted as saying "We are a strong people who know how to survive...and we want everybody to know where we came from."