A HISTORY of the
Genealogy
of the
RALPH FAMILY
from England to America
to their settlement in Kentucky
and up to the present time
1734-1982

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I write this book so that my children will have a record of family names, dates and some events of the times beginning with the year 1734 to 1982. With the help of so many kind and generous people, I have gathered photos and data about people and events of interest concerning the genealogy of the Ralph family from as far back in the past as anyone I know has knowledge about, and compiled all this information into this book.

I dedicate this book to my beloved children, Dennis, Marie, John and Wayne Ralph, and hope that it will be an interesting visit into the past for them and their families and to all Ralph's anywhere that would have an interest about any of the people and events mentioned herein.
Explanation of codes:

(Star ) represents Dalton Ralph's direct line of descent.
B: is for born.
D: is for died.
Lsp: is for lifespan.
M: is for married.
C: is for children.
∥: represents twins.
*: represents adoption.
+: represents divorce.
ReM: is for remarried.
Pink page: denotes subject matter is other than Ralph.
?: means that I was unable to find information on subject.

Because of limited availability of recent photos of some subjects illustrated in this book, some pictures may not portray the current age of subject.
The Ralph Coat of Arms illustrated left was drawn by an heraldic artist from information officially recorded in ancient heraldic archives. Documentation for the Ralph Coat of Arms design can be found in Burke's General Armory. Heraldic artists of old developed their own unique language to describe an individual Coat of Arms. In their language, the Arms (shield) is as follows:

"Ar. on a bend az. a mullet betw. two crescents of the field, on a border gu. eight bezants."

Above the shield and helmet is the Crest which is described as:

"A naked arm holding a book expanded both ppr."

When translated the blazon also describes the original colors of the Ralph Arms and Crest as it appeared centuries ago. Family mottoes are believed to have originated as battle cries in medieval times. A Motto was recorded with this Ralph Coat of Arms:

"FIDELITER"

Individual surnames originated for the purpose of more specific identification. The four primary sources for second names were: occupation, location, father's name, or personal characteristics. The surname Ralph appears to be both patronymical and characteristic in origin, and is believed to be associated with the English, meaning, "descendant of Ralph (shield, wolf)."

Different spellings of the same original surname are a common occurrence. Dictionaries of surnames indicate probable spelling variations of Ralph to be Raff, Raffs, Randolph, Randolphs, Raffe, Raffes and Ralphs.

Although bearers of the old and distinguished Ralph name comprise a small fraction of the population there are a number who have established for it a significant place in history. They include: JAMES RALPH (1695-1762) English pamphleteer, historical writer, poet and playwright who traveled to England with Benjamin Franklin, the American statesman, and settled there to write poetry; was named the Political Journalist for Frederick Louis, the Prince of Wales. JOSEPH JOACHIM RALPH (Raff) (1822-1882) Swiss composer who was an Associate of the greats, Mendelssohn, Berlioz and Hartel; his works included violin sonatas, symphonies and operas; and, his most famous compositions were the "Lenore" symphony and the "Cavatina" concerto for violins and pianos. EPHRAIM RALPH (d. 1787) American seaman who participated in the American Revolutionary War; his distinguished service earned land grants in Pike and Adams Counties in Ohio, given by the United States Government; and, was a Lieutenant with the Virginia Continental Line.

No genealogical representation is intended or implied by this report and it does not represent individual lineage or your family tree.
Until about 1100 A.D. most people in Europe had only one name (This is still true in some primitive countries today). As the population increased it became awkward to live in a village wherein perhaps 1/3 of the males were named John, another sizable percentage named William, and so forth.

And so, to distinguish one John from another a second name was needed. There were four primary sources for these second names. They were: a man's occupation, his location, his father's name or some peculiar characteristic of his. Here are some examples.

**Occupation:** The local house builder, food preparer, grain grinder and suit maker would be named respectively: John Carpenter, John Cook, John Miller, and John Taylor.

**Location:** The John who lived over the hill became known as John Overhill, the one who dwelled near a stream might be dubbed John Brook or perhaps John Atbrook.

**Patronymical:** (father's name): Many of these surnames can be recognized by the termination---son, such as Williamson, Jackson, etc. Some endings used by other countries to indicate "son" are: Armenian's---ian, Dane's and Norwegian's---sen, Finn's---nen, Greek's---pulos, Spaniard's---ez, and Pole's---wiecz. Prefixes denoting "son" are the Welsh--

**Characteristic:** An unusually small person might be labeled Small, Short, Little or Lytle. A large man might be named Longfellow, Large, Lang, or Long. Many persons having characteristics of a certain animal would be given the animal's name. Examples: a sly person might be named Fox; a good swimmer, Fish; a quiet man, Dove; etc.

In addition to needing an extra name for identification, one occupational group found it necessary to go a step further. The fighting man: The fighting man of the Middle Ages wore a metal suit of armor for protection. Since this suit of armor included a helmet that completely covered the head, a knight in full battle dress was unrecognizable. To prevent friend from attacking friend during the heat of battle, it became necessary for each knight to somehow identify himself. Many knights accomplished this by painting colorful patterns on their battle shields. These patterns were also woven into cloth surcoats which were worn over a suit of armor. Thus was born the term, "Coat of Arms."

As this practice grew more popular, it became more and more likely that two knights unknown to each other might be using the same insignia. To prevent this, records were kept that granted the right to a particular pattern to a particular knight. His family also shared his right to display these arms. In some instances, these records have been preserved and/or compiled into book form. The records list the family name and an exact description of the "Coat of Arms" granted to that family.

Interest in heraldry is increasing daily. This is especially true among people who have a measure of family pride and who resent attempts of our society to reduce each individual to a series of numbers stored somewhere in a computer. In our matter-of-fact day and age, a "Coat of Arms" is one of the rare devices remaining that can provide an incentive to preserve our heritage. We hope you'll agree that it is much more than just a wall decoration.

If you are interested in a more in-depth study of the subject of this paper, may we suggest you contact the genealogical department of any fair-sized public library. We especially recommend the "Dictionary of American Family Names" published by Harper & Row and also "The Surnames of Scotland" available from the New York Public Library as excellent sources on the meaning of surnames.

From a book at the public library, the name Ralph means "wolf or wolfgang".
As I gathered information to use in compiling this book, it seemed that I would have to begin my Ralph genealogy telling of our John Riley Ralph, because he was of the oldest generation that I had knowledge about. We were desirous and curious to know more about John Riley's family, his father's name, mother's name, the names of his brothers and sisters, if any, and we had researched and talked to many people, but we had finally come to the sad conclusion that this information would be forever unknown to us. I had talked to Mr. Malcolm Moseley of Whitesville, Ky., who has done some research work on the early Ralph history. He told me of a Mr. Joseph Gregory Hagan of Owensboro, Ky., who might be able to help us find out more about John Riley Ralph. So we went to see this Mr. Hagan.

It was so fitting and fruitful for us to meet this man. He quickly showed us records proving that his great-grandfather, Andrew Jackson Ralph (named after President Andrew Jackson) and our John Riley Ralph were brothers. We also found that John Riley's and Andrew Jackson's father was named William Ralph and he married a Nancy Sharp. The data on them is as follows:

William Ralph------M:------Nancy Sharp  
B:March 6,1779  B:Dec. 5,1791  
Both were born in Henry County, Virginia.  
D:March 31,1862  D:Oct. 10,1878  
Both are buried in Ohio County, Ky.  
No. of children born of their marriage: 5  
Names of their 5 children are:  
1.John Riley Ralph(M:Sally Ann Nave)  
2.William Ralph(M:Fanny Greer)  
3.Andrew Jackson Ralph(M:Mary K. Westerfield)  
4.Phoebe Ralph(M: a McKinley)  
5.Marion Ralph(M: a Magan)

All this above information was taken from documented records that Mr. Hagan had compiled in the year 1960. He has spent more than 30 yrs. doing research on the Ralph, Hagan and other related family histories. He is 62 yrs. old. When he was younger, he traveled by motorcycle over most of the country gathering information from records in the National and State Capitols, County offices, libraries and etc. Also, he got some of his information in a period of time when some of the old-timers were still around to talk to him. We have seen that he has many books, and many, many files of documented and historical records with which to verify the validity of his writings.

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Mr. Hagan has an unpublished writing titled, "Ralph Family History as researched by Joseph Gregory Hagan" compiled by him in 1950, which tells of the beginning of the Ralph family in England and their settlement in Kentucky. After reading his material, and with Mr. Hagan's permission, it seemed so very appropriate to enter his work in the first part of this book so that you may have the opportunity to share his writing, thereby taking you much further back into the Ralph History. All of Chapter One is Mr. Hagan's story, with the exception of the insertion about "Pocahontas", which is my writing. All sketched illustrations entered in this book were drawn by me.

Mr. Hagan's story, in part, was taken from notations made by Mr. Malcolm Moseley who took pencil and paper and wrote as the "Old Gentlemen" told him about their families and their journey into Kentucky.
Primitive personal names doubtless originated soon after the invention of spoken language, although the date of their first use is lost in the darkness of ages preceding recorded history. For thousands of years thereafter, first or given names were the only designation that men and women bore, and in the dawn of historic times when the world was less crowded than it is today and every man knew his neighbor, one title of address was sufficient. Only gradually with passing centuries and the increasing complexities of civilized society, did a need arise for more specific designation. While the roots of our system of family names may be traced back to early civilized times, actually the hereditary surname as we know it today dates from a time scarcely earlier than nine hundred years ago.

A surname is a name added to a baptismal or Christian name for the purpose of making it more specific and of indicating family relationship or descent. Classified according to origin, most surnames fall into four categories; (1) those formed from the given name of the sire, (2) those arising from bodily or personal characteristics, and (3) those derived from locality or place of residence, and (4) those derived from occupation. It is easier to understand the story of the development of our surnames if these classifications are borne in mind.

As early as biblical times, certain distinguishing appellations were occasionally employed in addition to the given name, as for instance; Joshua the Son of Nun, Simon the Son of Jonas, Judas of Galilee, and Simon the Zealot. In ancient Greece, daughters were named after their fathers, as Chryseis the daughter of Chryseis; and sons were usually an enlarged form of the father's name, as Hieranymus son of Hiere. The Romans with the rise of their civilization, met the need for hereditary designations by inventing a complex system whereby every patrician traced his descent by taking several names. None of them, however, exactly corresponded to surnames as we know them, for the "clan name", although hereditary, was given also, to slaves and other dependants. This system proved to be a temporary innovation. The overthrow of the western empire by barbarian invaders brought about its end and reversion to the primitive custom of a single name.

The ancient Scandinavians and for the most part, the Germans had only individual names, and there were no family names, strictly speaking among the Celts. But as family and tribal groups grew in size, individual names became in-
adequate and the need for supplementary appellations began to be felt. Among the first to be employed were such terms as "the Strong", "the Hardy", "the Stern", "the Dreadful in Battle" and the first nations of northern Europe soon adopted the practice of adding the father's name to the son's, such as, Oscar son of Curnuth and Dermid the son of Duthne.

True surnames in the sense of hereditary designations date in England from about the year 1000. Largely, they were introduced from Normandy, although there are records of Saxon surnames prior to the Norman Conquest. Perhaps the oldest known surname in England is that of Hitan Hatte, a Keeper of bees whose daughter was, Tate Hatte. During the reign of Edward the Confessor (1042-1066), there were Saxon Tenants in Suffolk bearing such names as Suert Magne, Stigand Saror, Siuward Rufus, and Leuria Hobbesune (Hobson), and the Domesday record of (1085-1086) which exhibits some curious combinations of Saxon forenames with Norman family names, shows surnames in a still more general use.

By the end of the twelfth century hereditary names had become common in England. But, even by 1455, they were not universal. During the reign of Edward V, a law was passed to compel certain Irish authors to adopt surnames. "They shall take unto them a surname, either of some Town, or some Colour, as Blacks or Brown, or some art or science, as Smyth or Carpenter, or some office, as Cooke or Butler, and as late as the beginning of the nineteenth century, a similar decree compelled Jews in Germany and Austria to add a German surname to the single names which they had previously used.

As stated before, family names may be divided into four general groups, according to their origin. One of the largest of these is that of comprising surnames derived from the given name of the father. Such names formed by means of an added prefix or suffix denoting either "son of" or a diminutive. English names terminating in (son) (ing) and (kin) are of this type, as are also the innumerable names prefixed with the Gaelic (Mac), the Norman (Fitz) and the Welsh (ap) and the Irish (O). Thus John's sons became Johnsons, William's sons, Williamsons or Wilsons, Richard's sons became Richardsons or Richardses, the final "s" of Richards being a contraction of "son", Neill's sons MacNeills, Herbert's sons, Fitzherberts, Thomas's sons Thomases, (ap) has been dropped from many names of which it was formerly a part, and Reilly's sons, O'Reillys. Those names arising from some bodily or personal characteristic of the first bearer, apparently grew out of what was in the first instance nicknames. Thus Peter the Strong became Peter Strong, Roger of Small Stature became Roger Little or Roger Small, and blackhaired William or blond Alfred became William Black or Alfred White. From among the many names of
this type only a few need be mentioned, Long, Short, Hardy, Wise, Good, Gladman, Lover and Youngman.

A third class of family names and perhaps the largest of all is that comprising local surnames—names derived from the locality designating the place of residence of the bearer. Such names were popular in France at an early date and were introduced into England by the Normans, many of whom were known by the titles of their estates. The surnames adopted by the nobility were mainly of this type, being used with the particles (de) (la) or (del) meaning "of or of the". The Saxon equivalent was the word "atte" (at the) employed in such names as, John atte Brook, Edmund atte Lane, Goodwin atte Brigg, and William atte Bourne. A vestige of the usage survives in the names substituted, and in still others such as Wood, Briggs, Lane the particle was dropped. The surnames of some of the Pilgrim fathers illustrate place designations, for instance, Winthrop means from the friendly village, Endicott "an end cottage", Bradford "at the broad ford" and Standish "a stony park". The suffixes "ford", "ham" and "ley" and "ton" denoting locality are of frequent occurrence in such names as, Ashford, Bingham, Burley and Norton.

While England enjoyed a period of comparative peace under Edward the Confessor, a fourth class of surnames arose—names derived from occupation. The earliest of these seem to have been official names such as Bishop, Mayer, Farrett (judge) Alderman, Reerie, Sheriff, Chamberlain, Chancellor, Chaplain, Deacon, Latimer (interpreter), Marshall, Summer (summoner), and Parker (pork-keeper). Trade and craft names although of the same general type were of somewhat later origin. Currier was a dresser of skins, Webster a weaver, Wainwright a wagon builder, and Baxter a baker, Barber, Shepherd, Carter, Mason and Miller are self-explanatory.

Many surnames of today which seem to defy classification or explanation are corruptions of ancient forms which have become disguised almost beyond recognition. Longfellow for instance was originally Longueville, Longshanks was Longchamps, Troublefield was Tuberville, Wrench was Renshaw, Diggles was Douglas and Snocks was Sevenock's, such corruptions of family names resulting from ignorance of spelling, variations in pronunciation, or merely from the preference of the bearer. These tend to baffle both the genealogist and the etymologist. Shakespeare's name is found in some twenty-seven different forms, and the majority of English and Anglo-American surnames have in their history appeared in four to a dozen or more various spellings.

In America a greater variety of family names exists than anywhere else in the world. Surnames of every race and nation are represented. While the greater number are of English, Scotch, Irish or Welsh origin brought to this country
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by scions of families which had borne their names for generations prior to emigration, many others from central and southern Europe and from the Slavic countries where the use of surnames is generally a more recently established practice, present considerable difficulty to the student of etymology and family history.

Those Americans who possess old and honored names— who trace the history of their surnames back to sturdy ancestors, or even beyond— across the sea, and into the dim mists of antiquity— may be rightfully proud of their heritage. While the name in its origin may seem ingenious, humble, surprising, or matter-of-fact, its significance today lies not in a literal interpretation of its original meaning, but in the many things that have happened to it since it first came into use. In the beginning it was only a word, a convenient label to distinguish one John from his neighbor John who lived across the field, but soon it established itself as a part of the bearer's individuality, and as it passed to his children, his children's children and their children, it became the symbol—not of one man, but of a family and all that his family stood for. Handed down from generation to generation its a tradition and the prestige of the family—like the coat of arms— that vivid symbolization of the name which warrior ancestors bore in battle— the name itself, borne through every event of a man's life and through lives of scores of his progenitors, became the badge of family honor— the good name to be proud of, to protect and to fight for if need be. As the worthy deeds of the marching generations have given it dignity and splendor, it has become an institution, a family rallying cry and the most treasured possession of those who bear it, and this is why you have a family name and what it means to you.

The name of Ralph was originally used as a baptismal name and was taken as a patronymic by the sons of those so called. It is found in ancient English and early American records in the various forms, such as, Relf, Ruff, Rafe, Raff, Raffe, Relfe, Relphe, Ralf, Relph, Ralfe, Rufus, Ralphe, Ralph and others. Of these, the last is the spelling most frequently used in America in modern time.

Illustrative of the origin of the name are the records of Ralph de Gras, who was living about the year 1273 in England, and of Ralph filius Ives, the same period. It is probable that the first to use the name as a surname wrote it "filius Ralph" that is Son of Ralph, and that his descendants dropped the Latin prefix and wrote the name as it is written today, (Ralph).

Early seated in the counties of Sussex, Cambridge, Huntingdon, and Somerset, and in London, England, the fami-
lies bearing this name were chiefly of the land and merchant classes.

Ancient records show the names of Amice Raffe, of Cambridgeshire in 1273, Thomas Raffe, of Hinghamshire, about the same time and Adam Raffe, of Somerstshire in 1327.

Of the London family of Raffe or Rafe Mary, a daughter of Thomas, was baptized in 1668. The records of this line are not however, complete.

The Relfes or Ralphs of County Sussex were ironmasters and owned the iron works at Mayfield, in that county, at an extremely early date. This line later possessed the Ashburnham property in Sussex, as well and were connected with the Glamorganshire, Wales ironworks.

William Relfe or Relph(later Ralph) of Mayfield County, Sussex, married a Miss Hallock in the latter half ot the sixteenth century, and was the father by her of at least three sons, John, William and Richard. Of these, John was the father of only four sons, Gregory, John, Thomas and Jeremy, of whom the second and third are believed to have died without issue. Gregory, the oldest son of John of Mayfield, was the father of three daughters, Constance, Mary and Thomasin, but had no male issue, and Jeremy, the youngest son of John of Mayfield, left only one child, a daughter named Rachel.

William Relfe or Relph, the second son of the first William of Mayfield, married Constance Chaney, whose brother, Richard Chaney of Cralle, was an extensive ironmaster in Sussex and possessed an interest as well in the Glamorganshire works. William and Constance were the parents of three children, Richard, Bennet and Ann of whom the first married Ellen Elfeak of Elfank of Sussex. The progeny, if any of the last marriage are not however, in evidence.

Richard Relfe or Relph, the youngest of the three sons of the first William of Mayfield, resided at Wore County, Sussex. He married Mary or Margaret, daughter and co-heir of Symon Gas of Bridge County, Kent. To this union were born four children, Katherine, William, Constance and Elizabeth. Of these, the son William made his home at Ashburhan County, Sussex, and married Dorothy the daughter of John Eldred of Ham in the same County. William and Dorothy were the parents of eight children, John, Elizabeth, Nathaniel(died without issue), William, James(died young), Richard, James and Nicholas(died young).

John, the oldest son of William and Dorothy(nee Eldred) married Margaret the daughter of Sir George Farwell of Moorhail County, Sussex, and was the father by her of John, William, Margaret, Mary and Elizabeth. Of these, John who married a Miss King, and William, died without issue.

William, son of William and Dorothy(nee Eldred) married Ann Swayle, but left only female issue, and James his brother.
married Ann, daughter of Lawrence Sommers of Hawkhurst County, Kent, but left only one child, a daughter named Ann.

Richard Relfe, son of William and Dorothy (nee Eldred) made his home at Dollington County, Sussex. He married Margaret, daughter of Lawrence Sommers of Hawkhurst County, Kent, toward the end of the seventeenth century and was the father by her of Charles, Jane and Margaret. Of these, Charles left issue by his wife, Katherine Ross of three children, Richard, James and Jane.

Although the Ralphe of America are believed to have been in most cases, of English origin, the connections between the before mentioned lines and the early immigrants of the name to America are not at hand.

Among the first of the family in America were several Virginia immigrants, whose records are, however, fragmentary.

These included Margaret Relfe, who came over in 1643 and settled in lower Norfolk County, Virginia. Samuel Ralph, who emigrated in 1653 to Northumberland County, Virginia, and Mary Rafe, who came over about 1653 and settled in an uncertain part of the colony. Possibly some of the latter families of the names in the South was descended from the immigrant Samuel, but this is purely conjectural.

"Pocahontas"

As history books tell, the first known Rolfe (sometimes recorded as Relf or Rolfe) that came from England to America to the Jamestown settlement was 'John Rolfe' who married the Indian girl 'Pocahontas'. It has been said and passed down through some of the earlier Ralph families that we are descendants of 'Pocahontas'. "Long Will" Ralph, the third son of John Ralph, Sr., has even been described as looking like an Indian with long, straight black hair. However, after some research, I can not find on record the link of evidence to verify our kinship to Pocahontas. Some enlightening information from the library book titled, "Pocahontas and Her World" written in 1969 by Philip Barbour, reads that Pocahontas married a John Rolfe who had come from England to America and to them was born only one child, a son named 'Thomas Rolfe' in 1615. Later, John Rolfe took his wife and young son Thomas and sailed back to his mother country of England where Pocahontas died, perhaps of Smallpox, and was buried in the Parish Church of St. George, Gravescend, England. Soon after this, John Rolfe left his young, frail son in England with his brother, Henry Rolfe, and he himself sailed back to America where he died of natural causes around the year 1622.
"Thomas Rolfe" grew up in England and married quite young. When he was around 20 years of age, about year 1635, Thomas left his wife and a daughter in England and sailed back to America. There he married Jane Poythress. They had a daughter named Jane. Thomas Rolfe is mentioned in a land patent dated September 16, 1658, but history is silent about him thereafter.

So it seems, according to the author Philip Barbour, Thomas Rolfe, the son and only child born to Pocahontas and John Rolfe, had no sons, only daughters. However, that was a long time ago, and records were not always kept and not always complete. History mentions the fiery and witty Senator John Randolph of Roanoke as the most famous descendant of Pocahontas and John Rolfe.

As history records show, the progenitor of the greater number of this name in America was Thomas Rolph, or Ralph, (sometimes recorded as Relf or Rolfe) who came from England to America before 1650 and settled at Warwick, R.I., after first having resided for a time at Guilford, Conn. By his first wife, Elizabeth Desbrough or Dizbrow, from whom he was divorced before 1651, Thomas had issue at Guilford of a son named Samuel. In 1656 he married a second wife, Mary Cook, by whom he was the father of Alice, Thomas, Sarah and Deliverance.

Samuel Rolph, oldest son of the immigrant Thomas, settled at Providence, R.I., and left issue there by his wife Mary of five children, Mary, Deliverance, Samuel, Thomas and Hugh, of whom the first son, Samuel, probably died without issue or moved to some other part of New England, since no records of his family is found in Rhode Island.

Thomas Rolph, the second son of Samuel and Mary resided at Providence and N. Scituate, Rhode Island. By his wife, Patience, he was the father of Thomas, Christopher, David, Deliverance, Mary, Patience and Sarah.

Thomas Ralph, son of Thomas of Samuel and Mary, born in the early 1700's, married his wife Eleanor, and moved to Henry County, Virginia.
Two Rolph's are on record as having served in the Revolutionary War. Here is a breakdown of the Military record.

Ephraim Rolph served in the Revolutionary War as a Lieutenant in a company designated at various times as Lieutenant Rolph's Company and as Captain Springer's company: 13th Virginia Regiment, also designated 9th Virginia Regiment, commanded by Colonel John Gibson. He was commissioned April 5, 1779 and his name bore on the company master roll covering the month of October, November and December 1779, dated at Fort Pitt, on February 13, 1780.

Thomas Rolph enlisted in Guilford County, North Carolina in 1781, served in Captain's McRee's, Goodwin's, and Elijah Moore's as a private. Colonel McRee's North Carolina Regiment was in the battles of Capin, Guilford Coast House, Ninety Six and Suton Springs.

This is what has been said, and told by the Rolph family that three brothers, John, Thomas and Will came to Kentucky from Virginia and settled on the head waters of Panther Creek. Oxen pulled their meager belongings along on a sled that was fashioned from the large fork of a Sassafras tree. They told of chipping bark from this sled to use in making their tea when they stopped to eat and rest along the way. John and Will settled on the head waters of South Panther Creek of the Northwestern part of Ohio County, Kentucky and Thomas Rolph moved to a remote section of country in the sister state of Tennessee, and there he settled.

(A special note: It is somewhere in this area that the Rolph spelling changes to Ralph. The early records are all hand written and printed with special scripts, that makes the difference in handing down our records.)

These two Ralph brothers settled a vast section of land on the waters of South Panther Creek, and owned land from the waters of Deserter Creek to the dividing ride between Panther Creek and Rough River.

Thus John and Will Ralph were the members of this community, and they had extensive ownership of land, original from their Virginia ancestors, and their families furnished the inhabitants of the pioneer country. This John and Will Ralph are the forefathers of all the Ralph's of this country and so many of us are related to these two old Ohio County pioneers. It has been said by the old tradition that Ralph's are English stock and that they came from England to America and first settled in the New England States, and from there to Virginia. These Ralph brothers show that they are of English stock because of the characteristics of an Englishman is that they are all large land owners.
John and Will Ralph relied upon their trusty rifles for food and protection from the Indians and wild beasts.
When John and Will settled in this country there was but very few neighbors in this section, and they were forced to rely upon each other and their trusty rifles. They were forced to fight Indians together, and to fight panthers and other wild beasts. There were no public roads or public schools at the time. John and Will built their cozy little cabins near to where the Ralph Cemetery is now. The Ralph's have all been home loving people and did not care to roam or move about as is evidenced by several offsprings of John and Will, who are now living on the farms of their forefathers having been handed down by fathers giving to their sons and their sons to their sons, are now happy and content to be living on the land taken from the Indians many years ago by John and Will Ralph. It is said that they had owned or claimed in the neighborhood of 10,000 acres of land.

It is possible that some of the Ralph children are living on some parts of the farms settled by John and Will and this is the sixth generation. John and Will Ralph and their offspring started the "Old Ralph Cemetery" and there are already well over a hundred people buried there and most of them are Ralph's or related to them.

The said Ralph brothers, John and Will, decided to make (Tom) or Thomas, the Tennessee Ralph, a visit, one fine morning, and so they bid their good wives and children adieu for awhile and set out through the long dangerous trail through the woods to see the brother in Tennessee. After riding for several days along the wooded paths through the sparsely settled country they rode through the community of Hartford, which was then just a mere fort, built of logs for protection against hostile Indians. No doubt they stayed there and were warmly greeted by their near neighbors by eating their dinner and feeding their horses. After dinner they resumed their long trip by mounting their horses and riding to where Cromwell is now located and swam Green River and rode on to a small settlement of about a half dozen cabins, which is now Morgantown, where they stayed for the night.

After getting a Night's rest, they saddled up their horses and rode on through the rugged country trail to Bowling Green as it is known today and probably stayed there for the night in order to be in a larger settlement, and then next morning resumed their journey again to Tennessee by the way of Franklin, Kentucky. Now crossing the Smokey Mountains of Tennessee, probably this journey would take them a week or more to get to their brother. At last the two brothers arrived at Tom Ralph's cabin, and no doubt they all were very happy to see each other again.
The community of Hartford was just a mere fort when John and "Will" Ralph stopped there to eat and rest before continuing their journey on to Tennessee to see their brother "Tom".
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After their visit, John and Will made ready to return to their own families, and take their brother Tom home with them to meet and see their families. Everything was ready to start home to Ohio County, Kentucky, and while Tom was saddling up his horse, it kicked him and killed him instantly. So John and Will stayed until after their brother was buried and bid Tom's family adieu, and I don't know if they ever saw them again, as they mounted their horses and started out on their homeward trip, hard indeed without their brother, or his ever seeing their families, or knowing anything about the brother's wife and children. Tom Ralph had ten children, all girls, so his descendants are in Tennessee somewhere, but we do not know where.

The Ralph's were all democrats prior to the Civil War, but when the war broke out, some went with the North to join the Union and some went with the Confederates.

Will Ralph would not be buried at the Old Ralph Cemetery with the rest of the Democrats. He was buried at the Old Midkiff Cemetery near Beech Valley Church, close to the Harry Midkiff farm. They say the farm is due west of the Beech Valley Church. They said, "Will Ralph said he would scratch himself out of his grave if buried at the Old Ralph Cemetery."

As records show, this John L. (Lawrence) Ralph, Sr. was bound out to a farmer, served his time, and when of age came to Henry County, Kentucky from Virginia, and there married Elizabeth McClaine, and she was born November 24, 1796, then in 1827 came to Ohio County and located in what is known as Ralph Settlement, here he died in 1857, his widow in 1870. They were Methodists, and the parents of six children—three living, John L. Ralph, Jr., James and Will.

John L. (Lawrence) Ralph, Jr. was born October 8, 1824 in Henry County, Kentucky and reared on a farm, and July 10, 1845, married Matilda A. Midkiff of Ohio County. She passed away September 26, 1855, leaving four children. February 12, 1856, he married Ava M.B. Midkiff, a sister of his first wife. He then had issue of four children with her. Mr. Ralph was one of the most successful farmers in his neighborhood, having over 900 acres of productive farm land, orchards, hedges, etc., the complete result of indefatigable industry and careful management, and frugality of himself and his wife. They have given aside from what they own, 400 acres to four children, and are members of the Methodist Church.
Not only did the Civil War divide Kentucky section against section, it divided counties in the same section, and it divided families. Possibly every county had men on each side. Generally, however, kinsmen and friends who fought on opposite sides were quick to forgive when the war was over and fighting ceased.
James Ralph was the second son of John Sr. We have been unable to trace any records of this particular James Ralph. The county of Ohio does not have any records of this James Ralph.

"Will" Ralph, their Will, the third son of John Sr., whom the story referred to was called the "Long Will" Ralph. Will (Long Will) Ralph married Sharlett Powers of the Sunnydale community. They had the following children, Jane, John William, Charles, Martha Vitula and Manda.

Jane Ralph, the daughter of Long Will, married E. P. Moseley. He is buried in a little family burying ground at the knob. These are their children, William, Robert, Sharlett (Hicks), Florence, Massie, Elizabeth P., Charles, Wenner, Lara (Howard), John Dillis and Ira.

John William, the son of Long Will, married Suddie Brand, and their children are, Alice (Kelly), Nettie, Orella, and Estella (wife of Henry Wise Ralph, distant cousin of McKenzie Ralph). While a young man, said Charles Ralph married Millie Ann Hoover and they had one child who was Ditchler Ralph or (Dit Ralph).

Martha Vitula married Dillis P. Moseley. She was a daughter of Long Will. Martha had the following children: Sharlett Jane, died young as a small girl, Nowell married Emley Sharp, Charles married Elizabeth Greer, Ester married Walter Midkiff, Dillis P. died a young man who did not reach his manhood, Elijah K. married Minnie D. Russell, and Marvin M. married Annie Howard.

Manda Ralph, a daughter of Long Will, married Rev. Will Ford of Tennessee, a M.B. Minister. Born from these parties are Alverda Drove, Wilbur Ford married Alma Trummer, Attalia Ford married Cosner Hartford of Webster Co., Kentucky.

These are the children and their children of John Ralph, Sr., and a portion of his descendants, the old pioneer settler of Ohio County. Of course, we know it has many, many more, but we should realize it is nearly impossible to get them all. However, if anyone decides to go farther with the Ralph's children and his descendants on this genealogy work, you will find perhaps most of the information and records at the county seat of Daviess and Ohio, in Kentucky. Although I have been to the state capital of Frankfort and the United States Capitol in Washington, D.C. concerning this work.

The Ralph families have cooperated stupendously, and by doing so, we have a marvelous account of the Ralph families and records.
They say that "Long Will" Ralph settled on a farm called "the Knob" and built a fine colonial home. The rooms were eight by ten feet, with upstairs and a stone chimney at each end. This house had an end running back forming a wall which made the cooking parlor. The fireplace to this house was about five feet in width and around four and one-half feet high, the mantles were high and marble. The woodwork of this house was all made from yellow poplar, this house was a double log house and weatherboarded. The home was built from the virgin timber cut from the Will Ralph farms. This wood was the best of its time. Said house was covered with homemade shingles carved from the forest of the woodlands of his farms. The floors were made of hardwood and clean as sand could make them. There was a back porch to the cooking parlor, connecting onto the main house and joining onto the meat house, where the wild hogs were killed and stayed for use. The doors were hand made and the planks were 8' by 10" wide and one and a half inch thick. They were made from yellow poplar. This house was sealed with hand dressed poplar lumber from wide boards. The house was painted white from the limestone dust and the chimneys were from stones out of the open field. The windows were small and were up high in order that wild animals, robbers and thieves could not look in or break in. This home was built prior to the Civil War. The house had bars that were dropped into a loop on each side of the door facing and was fastened every night to keep out invaders. The out buildings were kept in excellent condition, too.

Said, that "Long Will" Ralph, "was a good worker and a good provider." It is said, when Will Ralph settled on "the Knob", they could hear the screams of panthers down in the bottoms where Panther Creek now runs, as it was heavily timbered around there, and it was common to hear the screams of those dreaded cats.

This Will Ralph was called "Long Will" Ralph, because he was long and lean, and he had a cousin that went by the name of "Little Will" Ralph, because of being short and fat. This Long Will had black straight hair and was still black headed when he died. They say there wasn't a gray hair in his head. Will was said to be very good natured. He lived on his knob settlement until his death where his remains were laid to rest in the little family burying ground on the knob. It is a mile northwest of what is now the Ralph Store. The place is now owned by R.C. Kelley and Tareman Brothers.
These are the Will Ralph families that are laid to rest in the little plot of sodded ground. Dillis P. Mosesley and Martha Vitula his wife, also Dillis P. Jr., Long Will and Sharlett J., his wife, John William, Susan Ralph his wife, and Susie Ralph their daughter. Charley Ralph, C.D. Ralph's father. The wife of Dillis P. Mosesley, Jr., and McKenzie Ralph. It is an old Virginia custom to bury the family on the old plantation and they were carried out by the said Ralph's.

It is written in the old history of Frank and Jessie James that a man by the name of Barnett was captured at or near to Hartford and they were taken to Ralph, Kentucky. There they were shot by Frank James, between the Virgie Stevens home and the bridge over the run that divided the Henry Wise Ralph farm and the Judge Patton farm, near Ralph's store. Barnett was shot near to where the Deanfield and Ralph road meets. Said Barnett was a home guard and a Union sympathizer, and was going to capture John L. Ralph and keep him in prison. They were a company of renegades and were disguised by wearing blue clothes over the gray of the Confederate. Barnett was telling these men what they would do with old John L. Ralph. They buried Barnett face down in the bottoms and there he stayed for three or four days until his people came after him. The company stayed at John L. Ralph's and James or Jamie Ralph's homes. James or Jamie was a brother of John L. Ralph. James Taylor Ralph was a little boy then and he rode with or behind Frank and Jessie James on horseback. (A picture of James Taylor Ralph is on page 162). Part of the gang stayed at James' and the others stayed at John's. This John L. Ralph and Jamie were hot-headed democrats and would fly the flag at every election.

Will or William Ralph, (our Will) the brother of John and Tom (or Thomas), the Tennessee Ralph. This Will Ralph was born March 6, 1779. He drifted from Henry County where he married his wife, Nancy whose maiden name was believed to have been Sharp or Sharpe. She was born 1791. Will died March 31, 1862, and Nancy on October 10, 1878. They died leaving four sons and one daughter. Their sons were John Riley, who married Sally A. Nave on January 23, 1855, William, Andrew Jackson who married Mary Katherine Westerfield, Marion and Phoebe.
Panther Creek and its heavily timbered bottomland was named after these dreaded beasts that roamed there in great numbers when John L. Ralph, Sr. and "Will" Ralph settled on the head waters of South Panther Creek of the Northwestern part of Ohio County, Kentucky.
Andrew Jackson, the son of Will Ralph who married Mary Katherine, was a farmer and owner of land in and about Ohio County. They were the proud parents of 14 children. The names are William, Jane, Sallie Ann, John, Lude, Lourena, Gertrude, Henry, Nannie, George, Silas, Rose, Dester and Dolly.

William married Lillie M. Burdett, July 17, 1880, Jane to Joseph Allen Ward. Sallie Ann to William Wade, John to Madora E. Vanover, August 29, 1892. Lude stayed unmarried, Lourena to Daniel Gregory Ward, April 20, 1892, Gertrude to Fred Nechan, Nannie to Jack Boarman, George to Josie McClure, September 28, 1904, Silas to Rachel Clark, Rose to Silman Peterman, Dester to Lilly Ester Milley, April 21, 1901, and Dolly we have no record of this marriage.

Andrew Jackson was often called Andy Ralph. One of his greatest sports was to noodle for fish in small creeks. One early morning as he and his friend, Fidelious Ward, started for a long journey to Owensboro, they came upon a small creek and Andy said to Fidelious, "Let's noodle, Fidelious!" He quickly replied, "It's nothing in there, Andy." Andy quickly jumped to his feet, not taking "no" for an answer - jumps head first into the creek - not thinking or realizing what could be in the water. Coming up with a water-moccasin snake clung to his right thumb, he mumbled by saying, "Well, if it's not you, (dog-gone your old hide!)") He takes the snake by the neck and threw it to one side, took a chaw of tobacco from his mouth and rubbed on his thumb, - and kept on noodling!

Mr. Ralph was a war veteran from the Civil War. He was gone between the years of 1861 and 1864. We have been told that he fought on the Union side. He was in three hard battles, one of them was the Battle of Shiloh. As the records show, his army pay was $13.00 a month.

His wife Katherine made her own living by taking care of the farm while he was gone. He was a short man, and had a long white set of whiskers, and he carried a cane. He would go and visit the neighbors and his children long after he returned from the war. No doubt, he told many a story of the days when he was in the war and the hard battles he had experienced. We have been told that he was a personal friend of General Sherman. For many years after he came from war, the people respected him and his outstanding war service. He died at the age of seventy-three on May 27, 1909.

Minerva (Lourena), the daughter of Andy Ralph, was born May 14, 1872, and she married Daniel Gregory Ward on April 20, 1892, then she died December 1953.
RALPH Family Cemetery—located south of Panther Creek, high on a hill, southwest of Whitesville, Ky.

Some of the Ralph's buried there are:

Henry L........July 20, 1889........Dec. 16, 1941
Sallie M..........Mar. 25, 1885
John B. husband of Me.........Apr. 29, 1861........Apr. 17, 1893
Andrew Jackson......Feb. 15, 1836........May 27, 1907
Mary C. (wife of A.J.)...June 1, 1844........Mar. 12, 1923
L.M............I867............I952
W.D...............I857............I941
Elizabeth (wife of John).....Nov. 24, 1796........Apr. 23, 1870
John............May 15, 1787........Aug. 3, 1856
John L............Oct. 8, 1824............Mar. 21, 1901
Matilda A. (wife of John L).....Oct. 9, 1827........Sept. 26, 1855
Ava M.B............Aug. 7, 1837............Aug. 29, 1909
Benjamin B. (son of W.J. & F.A.)...Jan. 25, 1862........Apr. 15, 1867
Mary (daughter of W.J. & F.A.).....Oct. 20, 1859........Sept. 20, 1861
Abyara E. (wife of J.T.).....July 18, 1861........Nov. 3, 1895
Ariaminta (daughter of Lee A. & E.G.).....Sept. 25, 1880........Apr. 17, 1881
Martha Sue......July 20, 1934........July 25, 1940
Charles Jr........July 23, 1926........Apr. 23, 1927
Henry W............Oct. 29, 1870........June 23, 1944
Ethel (wife of H.W.).....Aug. 14, 1887........Aug. 18, 1972
Delilah A. (wife of H.W.).....June 5, 1870........Nov. 15, 1899
Estella (wife of H.W.).....June 17, 1875........Aug. 3, 1906
Roy (son of T.L. & A.F.).....Jan. 28, 1908........Mar. 11, 1908
Lucinda (wife of John R.).....Nov. 29, 1817........Nov. 29, 1854
Belinda A. (daughter of John R. & L.)...Feb. 5, 1847........Oct. 16, 1848
Lawrence........Feb. 12, 1869........Oct. 29, 1892
Maud...............Feb. 20, 1881
Allen.............Nov. 29, 1897
Gemina E. (wife of L.A.).....Sept. 12, 1850........Apr. 29, 1903
J.T............Oct. 4, 1851............Feb. 9, 1924
Atemisa G. (wife of J.T.).....May 4, 1855........broken
Alberta (daughter of J.T. & A.E.).....Aug. 7, 1894........Dec. 10, 1894
I, Martha Moseley Stevenson, being of the age of eighteen years and upwards, hereby apply for membership in the Society of DAR (Daughters of the American Revolution) by right of lineal descent in the following line from Thomas Ralph who was born in England on the day of abt. 1734 living in Augusta County Virginia on the 8th day of Apr., 1818. His place of residence during the Revolution was Virginia, Augusta County.

(Please give all dates by numerals, month first, and given names in full)

I am the daughter of:
1. Marvin M. Moseley born on 6-17-1884 at Ohio County, Kentucky, died at Owensboro, Kentucky on 3-29-51 and his wife: Amy Howard born on 1-24-1833 at Ohio County, Kentucky died at ______ on married on 3-4-1907
2. The said Marvin M. Moseley was the child of: Dillis Perry Moseley born on 5-10-1842 at Ohio County, Ky, died at Ohio County, Kentucky on 9-19-1923 and his wife: Martha Vitula Ralph born on 9-6-1850 at Ohio County, Kentucky died at Ohio County, Kentucky on 11-7-1901 married on 9-10-1867
3. The said Martha Vitula Ralph was the child of: William T. Ralph, Sr. born on 10-8-1818 at Henry County, Ky, died at Ohio County, Kentucky on 4-20-1888 and his wife: Charlette Powers born on 3-6-1815 at Ohio County, Kentucky died at Ohio County, Kentucky on 7-6-1898 married on 3-4-1841
4. The said William T. Ralph (will of father) was the child of: John L. Ralph born on 5-15-1787 at Virginia, Augusta County died at Ohio County, Ky. Ralph Settlement on 8-3-1856 and his wife: Elizabeth McClane born on 11-24-1796 at Henry County, Kentucky died at Ohio County, Kentucky on 4-23-1870 married on ______
5. The said John L. Ralph was the child of: Thomas Ralph born on abt. 1734 at England Living in Augusta County, Virginia on 4-8-1818

(End of Chapter One)
THOMAS RALPH
B: abt. 1734 in England
(Living in Augusta County, Virginia during the Revolutionary War)
D: 1824
M: (Name of wife unknown)
No. of children: (unknown)
The names of his 3 known descendants that are recorded in early history are listed below:

1. William Ralph
   B: March 6, 1779 in Henry County, Virginia.
   D: March 31, 1862 in Ohio County, Kentucky.
   Lifespan: 83 yrs.
   M: Nancy Sharp (B: Dec. 5, 1791 & D: Oct. 10, 1878)
   Both are buried at the "Old Midkiff Cemetery" in Ohio Co., Ky.
   No. of children born of their marriage: 5
   Names of their 5 children are:
   - John Riley Ralph (M: Sally Ann Nave)
   - William (or Will) Ralph (M: Fanny Greer)
   - Andrew Jackson Ralph (M: Mary K. Westerfield)
   - Phoebe Ralph (M: a McKinley)
   - Marion Ralph (M: a Magan)

2. Thomas Ralph
   B: (Born in Henry County, Virginia, date unknown)
   D: (date unknown)... (Buried in Tennessee)
   M: (name of wife unknown)
   No. of children: 10 (all girls)

3. John L. (Lawrence) Ralph, Sr.
   B: May 15, 1787 in Henry County, Virginia.
   D: Aug. 3, 1856. (Buried at "The Old Ralph Cemetery" in Ohio Co.)
   Lifespan: 69 yrs.
   M: Elizabeth McClain (B: Nov. 24, 1796 & D: April 23, 1870).
   No. of children born of their marriage: 6 (3 living)
   Names of their 3 children are:
   - John L. (Lawrence) Ralph, Jr. (M: Matilda A. Midkiff)
   - (ReM: Ava Midkiff)
   - James Marion Ralph (M: Sally Mary Moseley)
   - Will Ralph (M: Sharlett Powers)
The country of England, being much older than our United States, started keeping records long before Columbus discovered America. Their churches can be credited with keeping the very early records such as baptismal, marriage and burial.

Documented Lineage papers show that Thomas Ralph was born about 1734 in England, and later came to this country, and was living in Augustus County, Virginia during the Revolutionary War. The Louisville Kentucky Library has information in a book titled, "Kentucky, A History of the State" published in 1885. It points out that John L. Ralph, Sr., (a brother to our William Ralph and Thomas, the Tennessee Ralph) is a descendant of Thomas Ralph of Virginia, originally from England. This John L. Ralph was bound out to a farmer, served his time, and when of age, moved to Henry County, Kentucky. Then in 1827 he settled in Ohio County, Kentucky, farming a community known as Ralph's Station. (See page 26 for lineage document on John L. Ralph)

This is what has been said and told by the Ralph family, that these three Ralph brothers, John, Tom and Will (descendants of Thomas Ralph) came to Kentucky from Virginia and settled on the head waters of Panther Creek, and they said John and Will settled on the head waters of South Panther Creek of the Northwestern part of Ohio County, Kentucky, and that Thomas Ralph moved to a remote section of country in the sister state of Tennessee and there he settled.

There is more information elsewhere in this book about John L. Ralph, Sr. and his descendants, but being that Dalton's family descends from the William Ralph, the first part of the remainder of this book deals with William Ralph and his descendants. The following is Dalton's direct Ralph family line from Thomas Ralph, 1734, down to his grandchildren of today, 1982, which covers 8 generations.

Chapter Two

WILLIAM RALPH

and His

Descendants
William Ralph (B: Mar. 6, 1779-D: Mar. 31, 1862) and his wife, Nancy (Sharp) Ralph, (B: Dec. 5, 1791-D: Oct. 10, 1878) are buried in the "Old Midkiff Cemetery", located near the Beech Valley Church, close to the Harry Midkiff farm. They say the farm is due West of the Beech Valley Church. I would like to have visited this cemetery and took pictures of their tombstones to enter in this book, but I was unable to do so before printing time of this book.
Dalton Ralph's direct family line from Thomas Ralph (1734) down to his grandchildren of today (1982).

THOMAS RALPH

B: abt. 1734 in England.
(Living in Augusta County, Virginia
during the Revolutionary War)
D: 1824
M: (Name of wife unknown)
Names of his 3 known descendants recorded
in early history are:
1. William Ralph (M: Nancy Sharp)
2. Thomas Ralph (M: unknown)
3. John L. (Lawrence) Ralph, Sr. (M: Elizabeth McClain)

William Ralph—M—Nancy Sharp
B: March 6, 1779 B: Dec. 5, 1791
Both were born in Henry County, Virginia.
D: March 31, 1862 D: Oct. 10, 1878
Both are buried at the "Old Midkiff Cemetery"
No. of children born of their marriage: 5
Names of their 5 children are:
1. John Riley Ralph (M: Sally Ann Nave)
2. William (or Will) Ralph (M: Panny Greer)
3. Andrew Jackson Ralph (M: Mary K. Westerfield)
4. Phoebe Ralph (M: a McKinley)
5. Marion Ralph (M: a Magan)
I was unable to find a photo of John Riley Ralph to enter in this book, but I did manage to find a photo of his brother, Andrew Jackson Ralph, which is shown on page I2I. From the I880 Census records in the Kentucky room at the Owensboro Public Library I found the year of their birth. I cannot tell you the exact date of their death. Flora Ralph (Greer) and Gusta Ralph (Westerfield), my oldest living source of information, did not know the dates of the birth and death of their grandparents, John Riley & Sally Ann (Nave) Ralph. The Office of Vital Statistics in Frankfort, Ky., and all County Health Depts., started keeping birth and death records in the year I911, so any death that occurred before that date will not be on record. As I was unable to find a death certificate on either, it is assumed they were both dead before the year I911.

We visited the cemetery to look for John Riley's and Sally Ann's monuments. The new Bell's Run cemetery is kept neat, but the old cemetery has long been forgotten. We would not have entered this cemetery in the summertime because of the dense growth of weeds, honeysuckle vines and trees. The lady who told us of the cemetery's location advised us to wear boots when we entered because it is in rattlesnake territory. But we did not have to worry about either the dense undergrowth or the fear of being snake-bitten, because the day it was opportune for us to visit the cemetery was a crisp, cold winter day, most of the undergrowth had lost its leaves and it was much too cold for any snake to be active. Some of the monuments are still standing, but many of the headstones have slid into the deeply sunken graves and become buried themselves. Some of the graves are marked only by a large sandstone. Many of the people buried here fought in the Civil War because their monuments are engraved with the numbers of the Ky. Cavalry Units they served in. We were unable to find John Riley's or Sally Ann's headstone.

I can tell you the date of their marriage. The County Court Clerk's office in each county have records of all marriage certificates issued, some even as far back as in the I800's. I do have a certified copy of the Marriage Bond of John Riley Ralph to Sally Ann Nave that I obtained from the Daviess County Court Clerk's office in Owensboro, Ky. This Marriage Bond, found in Book No. C, page I75, was performed on the 23rd. day of June I855. It states that the young lady says that she is over the age of 2I and has given her consent to the issuing of the marriage license. It was signed by her father, G.W. Nave and a witness. A copy of the Marriage Bond is on next page.

The I880 Census records also show that George W. Nave (B:I827) and his wife Ruhema B. Nave (B:I835) are the parents of Sally Ann Nave.
Copy of Marriage Bond of John Riley Ralph & Sally Ann Nave.

Marriage Bond.

THE COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY.

Be it Known, That we, John Riley Ralph and Sally Ann Nave, as principal, and
as surety, are jointly and severally bound to the Commonwealth of Kentucky, in the sum of One Hundred Dollars.

THE CONDITION OF THIS BOND IS AS FOLLOWS:

That, Whereas, Marriage is intended to be solemnized between the above bound John Riley Ralph and Miss Sally Ann Nave,

Now, if there is no lawful cause to obstruct said marriage, this bond shall be void, otherwise it shall remain in full
force and effect.

Dated at Owenboro, Daviess County, Kentucky, this 23rd day of June, 1835.

I. M. Nave, brother of the party bound.

J. M. Nave

 сумму вперед ото дня, отмеченного выше.

Witnesses:

John B. Ralph

Matthew Hiley
To get this last bit of information about Sally Ann's parents, Dalton and I spent a day in the Kentucky Room at the Owensboro Public Library looking at the microfilmed census records that were available there. Names are not listed in alphabetical order, and we weren't sure what district they might be listed in, so we had to view hundreds of names in order to find the desired information. This old census, taken every ten years, listed the name of each and every person in each community or district. First the head of the household was listed and then the name of every person living in that household at the time of the census and their relationship to the head of the household—whether wife, sister, brother, mother, father, etc., or slave. (Yes, there were numerous slaves listed in these census records.)

Viewing the barely legible microfilmed census tapes is a very tiring and time consuming task.

Below is a copy of a newspaper clipping I took from the December 21, 1981 edition of the Owensboro Messenger-Inquirer which states that the old census records will no longer be available locally after date of December 10, 1981.

Tracing 'roots' may get harder

WASHINGTON — To save $250,000 and eliminate 17 jobs, the government has quit lending microfilmed Census Bureau records to the nation's libraries, where people could use them to trace family histories.

Until the loan program stopped Dec. 10, amateur genealogists could ask any of 4,000 local libraries to borrow the Census Bureau's house-to-house surveys from the National Archives, the storehouse of federal records. The government charged nothing for making them available.

But now, to see the records, genealogists will have to visit the archives' Washington headquarters or 11 regional branches at Bayonne, N.J.; Waltham, Mass.; Philadelphia; East Point, Ga.; Chicago; Denver; San Bruno, Calif.; Laguna Niguel, Calif.; Seattle; Kansas City or Fort Worth, Texas.

For people trying to trace their backgrounds, few government documents are as illuminating as those compiled by the decennial house-to-house census, listing by name and age every occupant of every residence in the country.
These are the names of the children born to:

John Riley Ralph---&---Sally Ann(Nave)Ralph
B: I821                B: I825
D:(date unknown)       D:(date unknown)
Buried in old Bell's Run Cemetery, Ohio Co., Ky.
No. of children born of their marriage: 3.
Names of their 3 children are listed below:

1. Nancy Ann Ralph
   B: I857---D:(date unknown).
   M:Leonard Cooper on June 7, I877. I have a certified copy of the Marriage Bond of Mr. Leonard Cooper to Nancy Ann Ralph that I obtained from the Daviess County Court Clerk's office in Owensboro, Ky. This Marriage Bond, found in Book No.0, page 534-535, was performed at the Ralph house on June 7, I877. It was signed John Riley Ralph and his mark, X was beside his name. A copy of this Marriage Bond is on pages 35 and 36.

2. William Harrison Ralph
   Lifespan: 85yrs.
   Buried in Taylorfield Cemetery, Ohio Co., Ky.
   M: Clarinda Ward (daughter of Elizabeth(Moseley)Ward & William Harve Ward)
   No. of children born of their marriage: 6.
   Names of their 6 children are:
   - Beatrice Ralph (M: Albert Sanders)
   - Loney Ralph (M: Suemelda Ward)
   - Altha Ralph (M: Pearl Westerfield)-(ReM: Jessie Sedden)
   - Dillice Elmer Ralph (M: Beatrice Brown)
   - Flora Ralph (M: Otis Greer)
   - Gusta Ralph (M: Rommie Westerfield)

3. John Marion Ralph
   Lifespan: 75yrs.
   Cause of death: Cerebral hemorrhage
   Buried in old Bell's Run Cemetery.
   M: Elisa Chapman
   No. of children born of their marriage: I.
   Name of child:
   - Keller E. Ralph
   B: July I889
   (Unable to obtain any more information about Keller)
Copy of Marriage Bond of Nancy Ann Ralph to Leonard Cooper.

Marriage Return and Register.

Date of Marriage: 7 day of June 1877

PARTIES' NAMES.

Mr. Leonard Cooper
Mrs. Nancy Ann Ralph
By Whom Married: J.D. Arnold
Place of Marriage: The Ralph House

Names of Witnesses Present: John R. Ralph
J. H. Graves

Attest,

Clerk Daness County Court.
Marriage Bond.

THE COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

We (Joseph R. Ralph) the undersigned, as principal, and as surety, are jointly and severally bound to the Commonwealth of Kentucky, in the sum of One Hundred Dollars.

The Condition of this Bond is as follows:

That, whereas Marriage is intended to be solemnized between the above bound Leonard Cooper and Nancy Ann Ralph.

Now, if there is no lawful cause to obstruct said Marriage, this Bond shall be void, otherwise it shall remain in full force and effect.

Dated at OWENSBORO, Daviess County, this day of January, 1877.

Attest:

R. S. Todd, Clerk.

STATE OF KENTUCKY
COUNTY OF DAVIESS. S.C.
I, Robert J. Reed, Clerk of the County Court, in and for the County and State of Kentucky, do certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a record kept in my office in Book No._ Page_ given under my hand, this the day of December, 1877.

ROBERT NEW, Clerk

By CLARA HAWKINS, A.G.
William Harrison Ralph & Clarinda (Ward) Ralph
Born: April 16, 1859
Died: August 25, 1944
Lifespan: 85yrs.
Both are buried in Taylorfield Cemetery.
No. of children born of this marriage: 6.
Names of children listed on page 44

Bom: June 15, 1869
Died: Nov. 4, 1914
Lifespan: 45yrs.

This picture was made possible through the courtesy of Mrs. Otis (Flora Ann) Greer of Whitesville, Kentucky.
Marriage License
COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

To Any Person Licensed to Celebrate Marriages:

You are hereby authorized to join together in the Holy State of Matrimony, according to the rites and ceremonies of your Church, or religious denomination, and the laws of the Commonwealth of Kentucky,

W.H. Ralph and Clarinda D. Ward

Given under my hand, as Clerk of County Court of Ohio County (or city), Kentucky, this 19th day of January, 1885. T.J. Smith, Clerk.

Marriage Certificate, Kentucky. In the Clerk's office of the County Court, for the County (or city) of Ohio.

Date of Marriage: Jan. 22, 1885

Full Names of Parties: W.H. Ralph and Clarinda D. Ward

Age of Husband: 25 years; Condition (single, widowed or divorced)

Age of Wife: 17 years; Condition (single, widowed or divorced)

Place of Marriage

Race: (white)

Husband's Place of Birth: Daviess Co. Ky.

Wife's Place of Birth: Ohio Co. Ky.

Names of Parents of Husband: Not Given

Names of Parents of Wife: Not Given

Occupation of Husband: Farmer

Given under my hand, this 19th day of January, 1885. T.J. Smith, Clerk.

Copy Attest: Clinton E. Blake, Clerk By D. C.
We do not know where William Harrison Ralph attended school, but we know that he could read and write. The family tells of how he had an occasion to go into Missouri. Along the way, he spent one night with an old Indian man. Before they lay down to rest for the night, the Indian took Harrison's cap-and-ball Navy pistol away from him and placed it equally between them, so if either took a notion to reach for it during the night, they would have an equal chance.

The Indian must have returned his firearm upon his departure, because Harrison told of using his Navy pistol later as he continued his journey down the Mississippi River on a steam-driven houseboat. Some man tried to steal his valise. He pulled his pistol and shot at the man. He didn't hit him, but did scare him enough to cause him to drop the valise. The shot was found imbedded in the corner of the houseboat. He never did find the man who tried to rob him.

On January 22, 1885, William Harrison married Clarinda D. Ward, a daughter of William Harve and Elizabeth (Moseley) Ward. I have the marriage license that was issued to them by the Ohio County Court Clerk. A copy of their marriage license is on the opposite page. I have also entered a picture of Clarinda's parents and information about them on pages 41, 42 and 43.

William Harrison's occupation was farming and sawmilling. In those days, there was a great need for sawmills. I remember hearing the family talk of the times when Harrison and his boys, Dillice, Loney and Altha worked at their Uncle Sam Ford's sawmill where they used oxen, named Dick and Shelby, to log the mill. I have talked to one of Sam Ford's son's of Whitesville, who tells me he still has the yoke that was used to harness those oxen.

In the 1800's oxen were commonly used to log sawmills and plow the newly cleared land.
William Harrison Ralph farmed for a number of years in Daviess County and later moved to Ohio County in the Narrows Community. He never owned a home or land. For several years after his wife died, he lived with his son and daughter-in-law, Altha & Jessie Ralph. He stayed with another son and daughter-in-law, Dillice & Beatrice, a year or so before he passed away.

Gusta Ralph (Mrs. Rommie Westerfield) writes of her father, William Harrison Ralph, Quote, "He was truly a good patient Christian man. He never said an unkind word about anyone. When he passed away he was at Dillice and Beatrice's house. 'Bea' said, Quote, "'Dill', listen at Grandpa singing!" They heard a noise, and went in the room and he was gone. Winnie said, Quote, "If Grandpa is not in Heaven, there is no use for us to try to go!"

I remember them telling how Grandpa would have 'Bea' to read the Bible to him for hours at a time. He died of heart dropsy.

Gusta Ralph(Mrs. Rommie Westerfield) writes of her mother, Clarinda (Ward) Ralph, Quote, "Our mother was not only a good Christian woman, but did so many good deeds. All the sick in our neighborhood would send for her and she never refused to go help them. In that day and time, there were no hospitals or rest homes. I remember Papa, as we called him, put a feather bed in his wagon and went to John Marion's and brought Grandmother Ralph to our house to stay. Mother put a half-bed up in the corner by the fireplace so she would be good and warm. I can just remember Grandmother propped up with pillows and her shawl around her shoulders. She stayed with us till she died.

Then Grandmother Ward got sick, and mother went and took care of her. The Doctor told Papa, "Your wife is not able to take care of her," and Papa said, Quote, "I can't tell her she can't do it, because she took care of my mother till the last."

Gusta says, Quote, "Memories of that kind mean far more to children than all money could buy!"
Clarinda's Parents

Elizabeth (Moseley) Ward—&—William Harve Ward
Born: Feb. 10, 1845                      Born: Dec. 10, 1840
Lifespan: 69 yrs.                           Lifespan: 76 yrs.

Both are buried in Taylorfield Cemetery.
13 children were born of this marriage.
Names of their children listed on next page.
These are the names of the 13 children born to:

William Harve Ward & Elizabeth (Moseley) Ward

1. Dillice Ward (M: Liddie Ambrose-6C) & (R:M: Annie Nance-6C)
2. Elmer Ward (information unknown)
3. Molly Ward (thought to have died in late teens)
4. Flora Ward (M: Henry Gillims-7C)
5. Alice Ward (M: Riley McKinley-4C)
6. Clarinda D. Ward (M: William Harrison Ralph-6C)
7. Lessie Ward (M: Lon Gillims-5C)
8. Lucinda Bell Ward (M: Horace Royal-4C)
10. Nannie Ward (M: Sam Ford-9C)
11. Lillon Ward (M: a Royal-IC) & (R:M: John Nevitt-5C)
12. Pendleton Ward (never married)
13. Noah Ward (B: Oct. 15, 1889) (M: Laura Gaither-6C)

There was also a granddaughter that lived with them, a child of Dillice Ward & Liddie Ambrose, named Nora Ward, (M: Tom Midkiff).

William Harve Ward owned a farm near Magan in the Beech Valley Community where he and his wife, Elizabeth resided at the time of their death.

I do not know where Elizabeth attended school, but she could read and write. I am told that William Harve could not. They attended the Antioch Church of Christ.

Mrs. Dewey Smith (Lessie Ward's daughter), says of her grandparents, Quote, "They were really two good old people." She recalls of being at her grandparents during her childhood and going rabbit hunting many times with her Grandpa Ward and his two dogs, old "Bawley" and little "Snip". She would jump up and down on the brush piles to make the rabbits run out so Grandpa could shoot them. It is said that Grandpa Ward loved to hunt and fish and had a gun he thought so much of they laid it beside him in his casket.

Elizabeth was 44 yrs. old when her last child, Noah Ward, was born. I am told that Elizabeth died of the Shingles. They say Grandpa Ward died of old age.
It is fitting that I enter in this book a picture of Pendelton Ward (or "Uncle Penn") B:1884-D:1970. Even though he loved children, he never married and had any of his own. He has rocked many of the Ralph babies to sleep and steadied them when they were learning to walk.

The old Antioch Church as it looks today. The monument that is visible in the background is a part of the Taylorfield Cemetery. 1978 Photo
The picture of William Harve Ward and his wife, Elizabeth (Moseley) Ward, was made possible through the courtesy of Mrs. Noah Ward of 123 W. Walnut St., Hartford, Ky.
These are the names of the 6 children born to:

William Harrison Ralph & Clarinda (Ward) Ralph

I. Beatrice Ralph (M: Albert Sanders)
   No. of children: 4 .... Names of their 4 children are:
   Ersley Sanders (M: Verbenia Westerfield)
   Lodena Sanders (M: Everett Whitler) + (ReM: ?)
   Noel Sanders (M: ?)
   Dalphus Sanders (M: ?)

2. Honey Ralph (M: Sumelda Ward)
   B: Aug. 5, 1888 .... D: Nov. 4, 1926 .... Lsp: 38 yrs.
   Cause of death: Burned to death.
   Buried at Taylorfield Cemetery.
   No. of children: 3 .... Names of their 3 children are:
   William Manuel Ralph (M: Nora Sapp)
   Christine Ralph (M: Glover Priar)
   Virginia Ralph (M: Geaither Robinson)

3. Altha Ralph (M: Pearl Westerfield) & (ReM: Jessie Sedden)
   Cause of death: Heart Attack.
   Buried at Taylorfield Cemetery.
   No. of children: 0.

4. Dillice Elmer Ralph (M: Beatrice Brown)
   Cause of death: Heart Attack.
   Buried at Taylorfield Cemetery.
   No. of children: 11 .... Names of their 11 children are:
   Theodosia Maxine Ralph (M: Clifton Evans)
   Ciscero Elmer Ralph (M: Dorothy Freund) +
   Willard Eugene Ralph (M: Katherine Louise McCubbin)
   Carma LaFern Ralph (M: Ray King, Jr.)
   Walter Conrad Ralph (Lifespan 21 days)
   Altha Robert Ralph (M: Wanda Jean Napier) +
   Dalton Dome Ralph (M: Antha Belle Shown)
   Lee Dillice Ralph (M: Pauline Bell)
   Margie JoAnn Ralph (M: Hal Green) +
   William Donald Ralph (Lifespan 2 days)
   Orville Clayton Ralph (M: Mary Lou Williams)

5. Flora Ann Ralph (M: Otis Greer)
   B: Dec. 21, 1896
   No. of children: 5 .... Names of their 5 children are:
   Eloise Greer (M: J. W. Martin)
   Otis Wyman Greer (M: Martha Stewart)
   James Greer (M: Jean Rhoades)
   Bobby Jo Greer (M: Sue Neel)
   Riley Bill Greer (M: Rea Patton)

6. Gusta Ralph (M: Rommie Westerfield)
   B: Sept. 17, 1900
   No. of children: 4 .... Names of their 4 children are:
   Winnie Dean Westerfield (M: Vickers)
   Emma Jean Westerfield (M: Pagan)
   Alice Westerfield (M: Gentry)
   Ann Westerfield (M: Emmick)
Beatrice Ralph married Albert Sanders. At one time they owned a farm in the Narrows vicinity, then later moved to Chicago, Illinois.

I can tell you very little of Loney Ralph. He died when he was 38 yrs. old. Loney’s clothing caught on fire when he was attempting to start a fire with kerosene. He tried to run for the pond, but burned to death before he could reach it.

I remember Altha Ralph telling many colorful tales about his childhood when he and 'Dilly' and Loney were still at home. I will tell about the time Altha was teasing one of his mother’s pet chickens, a big, young, fine specimen of a rooster that she had planned on keeping. He was throwing out his fishing line to see if the rooster would grab the worm he had barely dangling on the hook. The rooster not only grabbed the worm, but swallowed the hook also. The big bird had to be put out of his misery and readied for the pot. His mother said nothing while all this was happening, but before he went to bed that night, she gave him a good switching for reeling in her favorite rooster!

I also remember them telling about a colored man staying with Harrison’s family for a while to help with the farming and logging at their Uncle Sam Ford’s sawmill. He slept upstairs with Dillice, Altha and Loney, and it seems as if they teased him a lot. Occasionally, the teasing would get too much for the colored man and he would holler down to Harrison, Quote, "Mr. Hareb, come up a clapboard, come up a plank!"

Altha Ralph served in World War I. A copy of his Army Discharge papers is on one of the following pages.

Altha Ralph was very good natured. He loved to hunt. His first wife, Pearl Westerfield, died of galloping tuberculosis shortly after their marriage. He later married Jessie Sedden. At one time, he owned a farm in the Bell’s Run vicinity. He worked at various machine shops in Evansville, Ind., for years. After retiring from his work in Evansville, he moved to the Mud College bottoms where he lived for several years. He died of a heart attack on Feb. 21, 1967 while staying with his sister, Mrs. Flora Greer in Whitesville, Ky.

Flora Ralph married Otis Greer. Flora is 86 yrs. old. After her husband’s death, her daughter, Eloise and her husband have resided with her at her home in Whitesville, Ky. Aunt Flora is famous for smoking her pipe!

Gusta Ralph married Rommie Westerfield. Gusta is 82 yrs. old. Since her husband’s death, she has stayed on at her home in Owensboro, Ky.
Sons of William Harrison Ralph & Clarinda (Ward) Ralph

Loney Ralph, his wife, Sumelda (Ward) Ralph & their 3 children: Manuel, Christine & Virginia.

Altha Ralph & his wife, Jessie (Sedden) Ralph

Dillice Elmer Ralph at age 16 →
(This photo taken in yr. 1909)
(I was unable to obtain photos of Beatrice, Flora & Gusta Ralph to enter in this book.)
Honorable Discharge
from the United States Army

TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

This is to Certify, That* Altha Ralph

I997724 Corporal Btry E326 Field Artillery Camp Zachary Taylor, Ky.

THE UNITED STATES ARMY, as a Testimonial of Honest and Faithful Service, is hereby Honorably Discharged from the military service of the

United States by reason of

Said Altha Ralph was born in Davie's County, in the State of Kentucky

When enlisted he was 26 years of age and by occupation a Farmer

He had Blue eyes, Dark Brown hair, Fair complexion, and was 5 feet 6 inches in height.

Given under my hand at: Camp Zachary Taylor, Ky. this 8th day of March, one thousand nine hundred and Nineteen.

MAR 8, 1919

BONUS OF $60.00 PAID BY
B. S. CHASE JR. 2nd Arts O. M. C.

John R. Teiher
1st Lt. 326 F.A.
Adj. Personnel Adjt.

Form No. 525, A. G. O.
Oct. 9-18.
Name: Altha Ralph
Grade: Corporal
Enlisted or Inducted: Feb. 25, 1918 at Hartfield, Ky.
Serving in first enlistment period at date of discharge.
Prior service: None
Non commissioned Officer: Corporal Aug. 20, 1918
Marksmanship, gunner qualifications or rating: None
Horsemanship: None
Battles, engagements, skirmishes, expeditions: None
Knowledge of any vocation: Farmer
Wounds received in service: None
Physical condition when discharged: Good
Typhoid prophylaxis completed: March 15, 1918
Paratyphoid prophylaxis completed: March 23, 1918
Married or Single: Single
Character: Excellent
Signature of soldier: Altha Ralph

E.W. McCoy
1st. Lieut., 326th. F.A. commanding Battery E.
Beatrice (Brown) Ralph & Dillice Elmer Ralph
Born: June 30, 1896  Born: Oct. 18, 1893
Died: June 9, 1968  Died: Nov. 26, 1971
Lifespan: 72 yrs.  Lifespan: 78 yrs.
Both are buried in Taylorfield Cemetery (Ohio Co.)
11 children were born of this marriage.
Names of children listed on page 58

The D.E. Ralph homeplace located in the Mud College bottoms. (1981 Photo)
Dillice Elmer Ralph was born on Oct. 18, 1893 in Daviess County, Kentucky. The schools he attended are unknown, but he did complete the eighth grade.

He was married to Beatrice Brown, daughter of Ciscero Harrison Brown & Theodosia (Chambers) Brown, on October 12, 1914 at Evansville, Indiana by the Reverend C.H. Miller.

At the time of their marriage, Dillice and Beatrice both lived in the Narrows Community. Early in their marriage, they owned a farm in Pincheco near Narrows, but soon sold this farm and moved to Evansville, Indiana where he worked at various machine shops for several yrs.

His occupation changed to farming and sawmilling in 1928 when he bought the first of their three farms located in the Mud College bottoms where they eventually made their home and resided until their death. When he bought this place, it was all in woods. Dillice Ralph built his house, barn and all outbuildings from timber cut from his own farm. The barn was roofed with handmade riven shingles. The house, in good condition, still stands, and the Ralph homeplace is presently owned by Robert Ralph, a son of Dillice Ralph.

Dillice and Beatrice owned the first battery operated radio in their neighborhood, and on Saturday the neighbors would come to gather around the radio to listen to the then popular radio programs, "Amos & Andy", "Lum & Abner" and the "Grand Ole Opry".

Dillice and Beatrice were both members of the Hartford Christian Church.

Dalton Ralph, a son of Dillice Ralph, has mostly fond memories of his childhood when he was growing up in the Mud College Bottoms. He and his brothers would most likely be found hunting and fishing when there was any time off from helping with the many family chores of raising a large tobacco patch (where Dalton cried many a childish tear because he didn’t like to work in tobacco), cutting and logging timber, working at their dad’s sawmill, raising corn and sugar cane, helping make sorghum molasses, raising a garden, picking wild blackberries that then grew in profusion along most every ditch bank or fence row, curing hams, bacon and making sausage, and using a cross-cut saw and axe to clear the land and keep an ample supply of firewood to heat the house and keep the kitchen range going, and many more.

Gone now are all the woods that then provided a home for an abundance of small game.
Memorable times of the Dillice Elmer & Beatrice (Brown) Ralph family!

Dillice Ralph's sawmill where he & his boys worked many long hours.

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Below: Beatrice Ralph (or 'Mamaw') in her kitchen.

Good times... Good car!

Dillice & Beatrice cutting the cake at their 50th wedding anniversary. (Photo taken in yr. 1964)
On page 49 is a photo of the D.E. Ralph homeplace which is located about 6 mi. out of Hartford, Ky. on the Mud College Rd. in the overflow land of the Rough River in the area referred to as the Mud College bottoms, so called because of the name given to the old Johnson school that once stood at the intersection of the Mud College and Johnson School Rd. This school, because of its location in overflow land, became known as the 'Mud College'.

'Miss Mary Lou' Smith (now Mrs. S.L. Baird) taught several of the older Ralph children at this school. She rode horseback to and from school. She taught at Mud College for years and was replaced by Mrs. Ann Pirtle only a short time before the school was closed.

To my knowledge, flood waters have caused two major disasters to the people who lived or farmed in the Mud College bottoms. Once was in the winter of 1936 and the spring of 1937 when it rained so much that flooding caused the levee (now Hwy. 231) at Hartford to break and send water rolling into the bottoms. The water filled the houses and got deep enough to cover the tops of the door facings at the D.E. Ralph home. This water lasted for about three months and is referred to as the famous 1937 flood.

Another disaster struck in the late summer of 1979. This time flood waters were caused by the effects of two hurricanes that brought destruction to the Gulf Coast and sent devastating amounts of rain all along the way up into this and surrounding areas. This would not have been considered such a disaster if the flooding had not occurred in the late summer months when the Mud College bottoms were carpeted with fields of beautiful soybeans and corn, and laden with a promise of a bountiful harvest. This flood lasted for about a month and destroyed most all the crops.

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Parents of Beatrice (Brown) Ralph

Ciscero Harrison Brown & Theodosia (Chambers) Brown

Born: June 8, 1860     Born: Aug. 3, 1865
Died: May 12, 1937     Died: Aug. 11, 1920

Both are buried in Walnut Cemetery in Velpen, Ind.
10 children were born of this marriage.

See following pages for names & photos of children.
Ciscero Harrison Brown at one time lived around Huntingburg, Indiana area, owned a farm around Narrows, Kentucky, and later moved to his farm in the 'Mud College' bottoms, where he was living when his wife, Theodosia (Chambers)Brown passed away in 1920. Vivian Brown(Mrs. Jess Allen) remembers her Dad feeding and dressing her mother because her mother's right arm was stiff—she had something wrong with it that left it stiff—and she had a stroke in the left side and couldn't use it, so she couldn't do anything for herself. She died of heart drop­sy when she was 55 years old. After her death, Ciscero Harrison's daughter, Myrtie Harrison and her children lived on the farm with him for several years. He later went to Evansville, Indiana for medical treatment while staying with his daughter Vivian(Mrs.Jess Allen) who lived there. He was there when the 1937 flood came and when told by Dillice that flood water was 6 to 8 inches deep in the hayloft of his barn, he answered with his favorite by-word, Quote, "Karnsarn', I can't hardly imagine that, Dill." He never got to return to his home in the Mud College bottoms. He died of prostate cancer on May 12, 1937.
Family of Ciscero Harrison Brown & Theodosia (Chambers) Brown.

Back row: L to R: Gladys, Mirtie, Beatrice, Vivian, Mildred, Gola.
Front row: Oscar, Oagle & Ciscero Harrison Brown (Grandpa Brown)

Rody Brown is missing in the first above family picture, so I have entered this later family photo which shows him in it. L to R: Mildred, Vivian, Gola, Mirtie, Gladys, Beatrice & Rody in back.
Names of the 10 children of

Ciscero Harrison Brown
&

Theodosia (Chambers) Brown

1. Mirtie Brown (M: Cooper Harrison)
   Buried at Walnut Cemetery in Velpen, Ind.
   No. of children: 5.
   Names of children are:
   2. Drexel Harrison (M: Edith ?)
   3. Opal Harrison (M: Kenneth Patterson) (ReM: Joy)
   4. Virginia Harrison (M: Glenn)
   5. Juanita Harrison (M: Sedio)

2. Gola Brown (M: Walter Finn)
   B: Nov. 27, 1889....D: Mar. 1, 1958....Lsp: 69 yrs.
   Buried at Walnut Cemetery in Velpen, Ind.
   No. of children: 0

3. Lurie Oscar Brown (M: Bernice Taylor)
   Buried at Walnut Cemetery in Velpen, Ind.
   No. of children: 1.
   Name of child:
   1. Dr. Robert V. Brown D.D.

4. Leslie Cagle Brown (M: Elizabeth Shultz)
   B: May 1, 1893....D: Dec. 15, 1950....Lsp: 57 yrs.
   Buried at Owensboro, Ky.
   No. of children: 3.
   Names of children:
   1. Thelma Brown
   2. Bernice Brown
   3. Lola Mae Brown

5. Beatrice Brown (M: Dillice Elmer Ralph)
   B: June 30, 1896....D: June 9, 1968....Lsp: 72 yrs.
   Cause of death: Internal cancer.
   Buried at Taylorfield Cemetery in Ohio Co., Ky.
   No. of children: 11.
   Names of children:
   1. Theodosia Maxine Ralph (M: Clifton Ray Evans)
   2. Ciscero Elmer Ralph (M: Dorothy Freund) (ReM:)
   3. Willard Eugene Ralph (M: Katherine Louise McCubbin)
   4. Carma LaFern Ralph (M: Ray King, Jr.)
   5. Walter Conrad Ralph (Lsp: 21 days)
   6. Alta Robert Ralph (M: Wanda Jean Napier)
   7. Dalton Dome Ralph (M: Antha Belle Shown)
   8. Lee Dillice Ralph (M: Pauline Bell)
   9. Margie JoAnn Ralph (M: Hal Green)
   10. William Donald Ralph (Lsp: 2 days)
   11. Orville Clayton Ralph (M: Mary Lou Williams)

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6. Ciscero Rody Brown (M: Mayne Walker)
   B: March 15, 1898.... D: March 4, 1976.... Lsp: 78 yrs.
   Buried at Paintsville, Ky.
   No. of children: 0.

7. Gladys Brown (M: Herbert Jett)
   B: April 11, 1901.... D: Jan. 12, 1969.... Lsp: 68 yrs.
   Buried at Fordsville, Ky.
   No. of children: 8.
   Names of children are:
   1. Clellan DeWayne Jett
   2. Herbert Ernest Jett
   3. Roy Lee Jett
   4. James Delbert Jett
   5. Robert Jett (Died at birth)
   6. Golda Mae Jett
   7. Walter Ray Jett
   8. Charles Raymond Jett

8. Theodosia Brown
   B: May 19, 1904.... D: Oct. 3, 1904.... Lsp: 5 mos.
   Buried at Walnut Cemetery in Velpen, Ind.

9. Mildred Salnia Brown (never married)
   Buried at Walnut Cemetery in Velpen, Ind.

10. Vivian Wilma Brown (M: Jesse Allen)
    B: Aug. 12, 1907.
    No. of children: 2.
    Names of children are:
    1. Jesse William Allen
    2. Salnia Maxine Allen (B: Aug. 24, 1926.. D: Sept. 3, 1926)
       (Buried at Oak Hill, Evansville, Ind.)
Top row: L to R: Dalton, Carma, Robert, Maxine, Beatrice (Mamaw), Dillice (Papaw holding Clayton)
Bottom row: Lee, JoAnn, Willard, Elmer. (Photo taken abt. yr. 1942)
These are the Names of the II children born to:

Dillice Elmer Ralph & Beatrice (Brown) Ralph

I. Theodosia Maxine Ralph (M: Clifton Ray Evans)
   B: Sept. 16, 1915.
   No. of children: 2.
   Names of children:
      Clifton Ralph Evans
      Wesley Ray Evans

2. Ciscero Elmer Ralph (M: Dorothy Freund+) & (ReM:)
   B: Nov. 30, 1916.
   D: June 25, 1971.
   No. of children: 3.
   Names of children:
      Carol Louise Ralph
      Karl Elmer Ralph
      Rebecca Ann Ralph

3. Willard Eugene Ralph (M: Katherine Louise McCubbin)
   B: Jan. 6, 1918.
   No. of children: 2.
   Names of children:
      Karen Gail Ralph
      *Mary Louise Ralph

4. Carma LaFern Ralph (M: Ray King, Jr.)
   B: Mar. 11, 1920.
   No. of children: 1.
   Name of child:
      Linda Joyce King

5. Walter Conrad Ralph
   B: Mar. 8, 1922.
   D: Mar. 29, 1922...Lsp: 21 days.
   Buried at Walnut Cemetery, Velpen, Ind.

6. Altha Robert Ralph (M: Wanda Jean Napier+)
   B: Oct. 19, 1923.
   No. of children: 7.
   Names of children:
      *Jerry Wayne Ralph
      Patricia Sue Ralph
      Dillice Anderson Ralph
      Steven Eugene Ralph
      Altha Robert Ralph II
      Sharon Yvonne Ralph
      Veatrice Ann Ralph

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7. Dalton Dome Ralph (M: Antha Belle Shown)
   B: Sept. 24, 1927.
   No. of children: 4.
   Names of children:
   Dennis Dalton Ralph
   Antha Marie Ralph
   John Edward Ralph
   Wayne Lee Ralph

8. Lee Dillice Ralph (M: Pauline Bell)
   B: Sept. 14, 1929.
   No. of children: 1.
   Name of child:
   *Cindy Lee Ralph

9. Margie JoAnn Ralph (M: Hal Green)
   B: Jan. 25, 1932.
   No. of children: 1.
   Name of child:
   Russell Bruce Green

10. William Donald Ralph
    D: Oct. 4, 1937....Lsp: 2 days.
    Buried at Carson Cemetery at NoCreek, Ky.

11. Orville Clayton Ralph (M: Mary Lou Williams)
    B: Dec. 18, 1939.
    No. of children: 5.
    Names of children:
    Larry Dane Ralph
    William Paul Ralph
    Mark Allen Ralph
    Kathy Jo Ralph
    Teresa Lynn Ralph
The next following forty four pages of photos and information will conclude Dalton Ralph's line of descent from William Ralph (B:1779) down to the 8th generation of today which is year 1982.

Instead of just entering a photo of Dalton Ralph and his family, I have also entered a photo of each of Dalton's brothers and sisters (and their immediate families) so as to portray all of the children of Dillice Elmer Ralph & Beatrice (Brown) Ralph. I have entered each of them in the order of their date of birth. They will be shown in the following order.

I. Theodosia Maxine Ralph (M: Clifton Ray Evans)
2. Cicero Elmer Ralph (M: Dorothy Freund) + (ReM:)
3. Willard Eugene Ralph (M: Katherine Louise McCubbin)
4. Carma LaFern Ralph (M: Ray King, Jr.)
5. Walter Conrad Ralph (Lsp: 21 days)...no entry.
6. Altha Robert Ralph (M: Wanda Jean Napier)
7. Dalton Dome Ralph (M: Antha Belle Shown)
8. Lee Dillice Ralph (M: Pauline Bell)
9. Margie JoAnn Ralph (M: Hal Green)
10. William Donald Ralph (Lsp: 2 days)...no entry.
11. Orville Clayton Ralph (M: Mary Lou Williams)

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Theodosia Maxine (Ralph) Evans
and her immediate family:
Clifton Ray Evans ... & ... Theodosia Maxine (Ralph) Evans
B: Nov. 17, 1911  B: Sept. 16, 1915
M: Nov. 25, 1931
No. of children born of their marriage: 2.
Name & birthdate of each child:
1. Clifton Ralph Evans (B: Apr. 9, 1935)
2. Wesley Ray Evans (B: Oct. 26, 1936)

(See back of Page for more data)
Theodosia Maxine Ralph was born September 16, 1915 at Narrows, Kentucky. She mostly attended school in Evansville, Indiana.

On November 25, 1931, at age 15, Maxine married Clifton Ray Evans, son of Benjamin Fulton and Victoria (Embry) Evans. Clifton was born on November 17, 1911 in Butler Co., Ky.

After their marriage, Maxine & Clifton lived in Ohio County, farming mostly in the Mantanzas Community. Both their children were born in Ohio County.

In 1939, during the oil boom, they moved to Illinois, where Clifton later worked as a pumper and gauger in the oil fields around Centralia, New Haven and then on to Maunie, where he later farmed some along with his oil field work.

Clifton was called into the ministry in 1946 and pastored the General Baptist Church and Chapman Grove General Baptist Church between the years 1951 to 1958.

In 1958, due to failing health, they retired to their home in Maunie, Illinois, where they now reside.

Clifton & Maxine have 2 children, Clifton Ralph Evans, born April 9, 1935 and Wesley Ray Evans, born October 26, 1936. For complete information on them and their families see next page.
Sons of Theodosia Maxine (Ralph) Evans
&
Clifton Ray Evans

Clifton Ralph Evans
B: Apr. 9, 1935
M: Janice Staley+
ReM: Kathy Rowe
(This photo taken abt. yr. 1950)
See back of page for more data.

Wesley Ray Evans
B: Oct. 26, 1936
M: Cleta Duvall
(This photo taken abt. yr. 1950)
See back of page for more data.
Data on the 2 children born to Maxine(Ralph) Evans and Clifton Evans

I. **Clifton Ralph Evans**
   B: Apr. 9, 1935 at Hartford, Ky. (Ohio Co.)
   Date of wife's birth: July 4, 1940.
   Name of wife's parents: daughter of Vivian(Wohlhueter)Staley.
   No. of children born of this marriage: 5
   Name & birthdate of each child:
   1. **Michael Ray Evans** (B: Jan. 9, 1955 at Carmi, Ill. (White Co.)
      Rem: Barbara Ann (Frye) Whitley on Nov. 22, 1975. -IC.
      Name of I child born of second marriage:
      Sara Rae Evans (B: Nov. 29, 1976)
   2. **Douglas Ralph Evans** (B: Jan. 4, 1956 at Carmi, Ill. (White Co.)
      Date of wife's birth: May 18, 1957.
      Name of wife's parents: Louis & Wilma Minor.
   3. **Gary Lee Evans** (B: June 3, 1957 at Carmi, Ill. (White Co.)
      M: Denita Rae Williams on Dec. 27, 1975.
      Name of wife's parents: Wayne & Deanna Williams.
   4. **Rebecca Ann Evans** (B: Mar. 19, 1959 at Carmi, Ill. (White Co.)
      Name of husband's parents: David & Rebecca Stanley.
   5. **Susan Lynn Evans** (B: July 17, 1960 at McLeansboro, Ill. (Hamilton Co)
      M: Steven Louis Seibers.+
      Name of husband's parents: son of Wanda (Churchwell) Siebers.
      Name of I child born of this marriage:
      Sunshine Lynn Seibers (B: Dec. 7, 1977)

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Rem: Donna Katherine (Youngman) Rowe.
Name of wife's parents: Donald & Earlene Youngman.
No. of children of this marriage: 2 step-sons.
Name & birthdate of each stepchild:
1. **Michael Rowe** (B: Oct. 16, 1967).
2. **Alan Rowe** (B: June 21, 1970).

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2. **Wesley Ray Evans**
   B: Oct. 26, 1936 at Mantanzas, Ky. (Ohio Co.)
   Name of wife's parents: Guy and Maggie (Hendrix) Lowery.
   No. of children of this marriage: 3 (also 3 stepsons)
   Name and birthdate of each child:
   1. **Wesley Fulton Evans** (B: June 19, 1959)
   2. **Victoria Anne Evans** (B: Nov. 8, 1960)
      M: Alfred Ray Goff (Son of Mae Goff)
   3. **Mark Ivan Evans** (B: Sept. 21, 1961)

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Names and birthdates of stepsons are:
1. **Gary Edward Duvall** (B: Dec. 27, 1942)
2. **Henry Leon Duvall** (B: July 29, 1945)
3. **Larry Ray Duvall** (B: Sept. 26, 1951... D: Apr. 8, 1966)
Ciscero Elmer Ralph
and his immediate family:
Son of Dillice Elmer Ralph & Beatrice (Brown) Ralph

Ciscero Elmer Ralph (B: Nov. 30, 1916) - (D: June 25, 1971)

(wife No. 1)
Dorothy (Freund) Ralph
(See back of page.)
Ciscero Elmer Ralph was born November 30, 1916. He began his schooling in Evansville, Indiana and after the family moved to the Hartford area, he attended the lower NoCreek school.

Elmer was inducted into the Army on May 1, 1943. A copy of his Army Discharge papers are on one of the following pages.

On April 22, 1938, Elmer married Dorothy Freund. To them was born 3 children. The data on them is listed below.

Elmer worked as a salesman for "Air-a-Lum, Inc." of Indianapolis, Indiana for several years before his death.

Ciscero Elmer Ralph
B: Nov. 30, 1916.
D: June 25, 1971.
Cause of death: Automobile accident.
Age: 55 yrs.
Place of burial: Taylorfield Cemetery.
No. of children born of his marriage to Dorothy Freund: 3
Name and birthdate of each child listed below:

1. Carol Louise Ralph
   B: Nov. 27, 1938.
   M: Kenneth Robertson+(Rem: Glenn Robb)
   No. of children: 2
   Name and birthdate of each child:
   2. Sarah Robb(B: May 19, 1971).

2. Karl Elmer Ralph
   B: Feb. 25, 1943.

3. Rebecca Ann Ralph
   M: James E. Gay II.+(Rem: ? )
   No. of children born of her marriage to James Gay II: 3.
   Name and birthdate of each child:

(See next page for pictures of Elmer's children)
Children of Ciscero Elmer Ralph
and Dorothy (Freund) Ralph

(\textit{This photo taken about year 1968})
Carol Louise Ralph
B: Nov. 27, 1938.

Karl Elmer Ralph
B: Feb. 25, 1943.

Rebecca Ann Ralph
B: Feb. 11, 1948.
COPY of ARMY DISCHARGE

Received for Record November 28th, 1945 at 2:00 P.M.
Christ W. Elmendorf, R.V.C.

ARMY OF THE UNITED STATES

* HONORABLE DISCHARGE *

This is to certify that Elmer C. Ralph 35 730 II5
First Class Company M 12th Regiment 4th Infantry Division
Army of the United States is hereby Honorably Discharged
from the military service of the United States of America.
This certificate is awarded as a testimonial of Honest
and Faithful Service to this country.
Given at Separation Center:Camp Atterbury Indiana
Date 18 November 1945.
Paul A. Cushman
Paul A. Cushman
Major AC

ENLISTED RECORD AND REPORT OF SEPARATION HONORABLE DISCHARGE

I8 II 27 gd/5

I. (Last name first) Ralph Elmer C.
2. Army serial no: 35 730 II5
3. Grade: Pfc
4. Arm or Service: Inf
5. Component: AUS
6. Organization: Co M 12th Reg 4th Inf Div
7. Date of separation: 18 Nov 45
9. Permanent address for mailing purposes: RFD 3 Hartford, Ky.
10. Date of birth: 30 Nov 16
12. Address from which employment will be sought: See #9
13. Color eyes: Blue ... Color hair: Brown ...
14. Height: 5'6" ... Weight: 153 Lbs.
15. No. Depend: 3 ... Marital status: Married
16. Race: White ... U.S. Citizen: Yes
17. Civilian occupation and no: Electrical Assembler 5-00.5II

MILITARY HISTORY

18. Date of Induction: I May 43
19. Date of entry into active service: 8 May 43
20. Place of entry into service: Evansville, Ind.
   Selective Service Data
21. Registered: Yes
22. Local S.S. Board No: 4
23. County and state: Evansville Ind.
24. Home address at time of entry into service: See 9
25. Military occupational specialty and no: Heavy Machine Gunner 605

(Continued on back of this page)
26. Military qualification and date (i.e., infantry, aviation and marksmanship badges, etc.)
   Combat Infantryman Badge Carbine Sharpshooter

27. Battles and campaigns:
   Normandy Northern France Rhineland Central Europe

28. Decorations and citations: EAME Theater Ribbon w/4 Bronze Stars
   American Theater Ribbon, Good Conduct Ribbon, Victory Medal

29. Wounds received in action: None

30. Latest immunization dates:

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33. Highest grade held: PFC

34. Prior service: None

35. Reason and authority for separation:
   Convy of Govt RRI-I (Demobilization) AR 615-365 I5 Dec 44

36. Service schools attended: None

37. Education (Years) Grammar 8 High School 0 College 0

Pay Data Vou. 6296

38. Longevity for pay purposes: Years 2 Months 6 Days 18

39. Mustering out pay: Total $300 This payment $100

40. Travel pay: $9.30

41. Total amount, name of disbursing officer:
   $169.58 H. F. Gillie, Capt., F.D.

42. Signature of person being separated: Elmer C. Ralph

43. Personnel Officer (Type, name grade and organization-signature)
   L. M. Redding
   L. M. Redding 1st Lt., AC

This record of Discharge from U.S. Army to Elmer C. Ralph
appears on record in Discharge Record 15 page 153 in office
of Recorder of Vanderburgh County.
Willard Eugene Ralph
and his immediate family:
Willard Eugene Ralph (B: Jan. 6, 1918). (wife) Katherine Louise (McCubbin) Ralph (B: May 1, 1924). and daughter, Mary Louise Ralph (B: Aug. 23, 1954).

Recent photo of Mary Louise (Ralph) Beason and husband, James Leonard Beason III.
Willard Eugene Ralph was born January 6, 1918 in Ohio County, Kentucky. He began his schooling in Evansville, Indiana. After the family moved to the Hartford area, he attended the No Creek and "Mud College" schools. After leaving the farm, he moved to Evansville, Indiana where he worked as a building contractor. Soon after his marriage in 1948 to Katherine Louise McCubbin, daughter of Wilse Russell McCubbin & Katie Alice (Sublett)McCubbin, he moved to Indianapolis, Indiana and worked at "Storm Master" and other aluminum building products companies for several years. They owned a home in Greenwood, Indiana where they resided for many years. Later, he joined three of his brothers in establishing their own business, "Air-A-Lum, Inc." of Indiana, located in Indianapolis. He retired from this business in 1977 and moved to Hartford, Kentucky where he and his wife now reside. Willard and Louise attend the Hartford Christian Church, where they are both members and he is a Deacon. Willard and Louise have two children. The data on them is as follows:

   Place of burial: (Rosehill Cemetery, Owensboro, Ky.)


********************************************************************
Carma LaFern (Ralph) King
and her immediate family:
Carma LaFern (Ralph) King and husband, Ray King, Jr.
B: Mar. 11, 1920 .................. B: July 2, 1919
M: Mar. 7, 1943
(See back of page)
Carma LaFern Ralph was born March 11, 1920. She attended grades 1 thru 5 at Delaware School in Evansville, Indiana, grades 6, 7, and 8 at Johnson School (or Mud College) at Hartford, Ky., and then attended Central High in Evansville, Indiana.

On March 7, 1943, Carma married Ray King, Jr., son of Ray King, Sr., & Mabel (Swords) King. Carma and her husband, Ray King, Jr. (or "June"), reside in Indianapolis, Indiana. "June" recently retired from the Eli Lily Company where he has worked for the past 35 yrs.


Linda and "Bob" have two daughters. See below:

Carma LaFern Ralph  
B: March 11, 1920  
M: Ray King, Jr. (B: July 2, 1919)  
No. of children: 1.  
Name of child:  
1. Linda Joyce King  
   B: December 20, 1943  
   M: Robert Eugene Hohn  
   No. of children: 2.  
   Names of children:  
   1. Lisa Lynne Hohn  
      B: May 26, 1968  
   2. Debra Anne Hohn  
      B: May 9, 1973  

(See opposite page for pictures)
Daughter of Ray King, Jr. & Carma LaFern (Ralph) King.

Above: Linda Joyce King
B: Dec. 20, 1943
(Photo taken abt. yr. 1953)

Right: Lisa Lynne Hohn
B: May 26, 1968

Above:
Another & recent photo of Linda Joyce (King) Hohn & husband, Robert Hohn.
Below are pictures of their 2 children.

Debra Anne Hohn
B: May 9, 1973

Left:

(1980 Photo)
Altha Robert Ralph
and his immediate family:
SON OF [DILLICE ELMER RALPH & BEATRICE (BROWN) RALPH]

Altha Robert Ralph  
B: Oct. 19, 1923  
M: Wanda Jean Napier  
No. of children: 7  
Names of their children are listed on back of this page.

(wife) Wanda Jean Napier
Altha Robert (Bob) Ralph, was born Oct. 19, 1923 in Evansville, Indiana. He began his schooling in Evansville and later attended the local schools of this area when the family moved to the Mud College bottoms.

He enlisted in the army when he was barely 16 years old. A copy of his Army Discharge papers are on one of the following pages.


After their marriage, he farmed for awhile before moving to Indianapolis, Indiana to work at "Storm Master" and later joined three of his brothers in establishing their own successful business "Air-a-Lum" of Indianapolis. They owned a home and resided in New Whiteland, Indiana for several years before moving to Morgantown, Indiana and buying a farm and home there.

After retiring from "Air-a-Lum", he bought and moved to the Ralph homeplace, Hartford, Ky., Rt. 3, where he now resides.

"Bob" and Wanda have 7 children. The names of their children are listed below:

1. Jerry Wayne Ralph (B: Apr. 30, 1949) - (M: Betty Jean Jones)
2. Dillice Anderson Ralph (B: Feb. 28, 1951) - (M: Sherry Beaver)
3. Patricia Sue Ralph (B: Mar. 7, 1952) - (M: Randy Keith Peters)
4. Sharon Yuvonne Ralph (B: Feb. 17, 1953) - (M: Stephen Wayne Wright) - (ReM: Paul Richard Winans)
5. Altha Robert Ralph II (B: Feb. 16, 1954) - (M: Brenda Sue Yaden)
6. Steven Eugene Ralph (B: May 5, 1956) - (M: Susan Mildred Beaver)

On the next page, I have entered a photo of "Bob" and Wanda's 7 children and information about each.
I. Jerry Wayne Ralph (B: April 30, 1949).
   Date of wife's birth: March 27, 1949.
   Name of wife's parents: Mr. & Mrs. Henry Jones.
   No. of children born of their marriage: 3.
   Name & birthdate of each child:
   1. John Wayne Ralph (B: March 6, 1968).
   2. Rose Marie Ralph (B: April 11, 1969).

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   M: Sherry Beaver.
   Name of wife's parents: Charles Edward & Mildred Lucy (Glass) Beaver.
   No. of children born of this marriage: 1.
   Name & birthdate of child:

************************** *************

3. Patricia Sue Ralph (B: Mar. 7, 1952).
   M: Randall Keith Peters.
   Name of husband's parents: Robert Henry & Iva Maxine (Scott) Peters.
   No. of children born of this marriage: 3.
   Name & birthdate of each child:
   1. Tricia Sue Peters (B: April 3, 1974).

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4. Sharon Yuvonne Ralph (B: Feb. 17, 1953) at Owensboro, KY.
   Date of husband's birth: Dec. 14, 1950 at Franklin, KY.
   Name of husband's parents: Ernie & Naomi Wright.
   No. of children born of this marriage: 2.
   Name & birthdate of each child:
   2. Stephanie Jean Wright (B: July 31, 1974 at Martinsville, KY.)

   Date of husband's birth: March 4, 1935 at Meadville, Penn.
   Name of husband's parents: Paul Laverne & Anne May (Kosturick) Winans.
   No. of children born of this marriage: 2.
   Name & birthdate of each child:
   1. Sharon Pauline Winans (B: May 12, 1978 at Thousand Oaks, CA.
   2. Richard Paul Winans (B: Nov. 29, 1979 at Thousand Oaks, CA.

No. of stepchildren: 1 (Paul Richard's daughter by former marriage to Lucy Kingsley Sayre.)

Name & birthdate of stepchild:

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(continued on next page)
   M: Brenda Sue Yaden.
   Date of wife's birth: Mar. 26, 1957.
   Name of wife's parents: Glenn Harold & Essie Delorse (Brown) Yaden.
   No. of children born of this marriage: 2.
   Name & birthdate of each child:
   1. Altha Robert Ralph III. (B: August 12, 1974).

6. Steven Eugene Ralph (B: May 5, 1956).
   M: Susan Mildred Beaver on Nov. 8, 1975.
   Date of wife's birth: July 31, 1957.
   Name of wife's parents: Charles Edward & Mildred Lucy (Glass) Beaver.
   No. of children born of this marriage: 2.
   Name & birthdate of each child:
   2. Cassie Jean Ralph (B: July 30, 1981).

   M: Michael Stephen Sparrow.
   Name of husband's parents: Robert & Patty Sparrow.
   No. of children born of this marriage: 1.
   Name & birthdate of child:
   1. Dusty Lyn Sparrow (B: July 30, 1975).
Enlisted Record and Report of Separation

**Name (Last name first):** Ralph Altha R.

**Army Serial No.:** 15 044 152

**Grade:** Tec.5

**Organization:** Co. C Maint En 1st Armd Div.

**Date of Separation:** 23 Aug 43

**Place of Separation:** Sep Cen Camp Atterbury, Ind.

**Date of Birth:** 19 Oct 23

**Race:** White

**Marital Status:** Single

**Civilian Occupation and No.:** Farmhand General 3-16, 10

**Date of Entry into Active Service:** 30 Jun 40

**Place of Entry into Service:** Fort Knox, Ky.

**Military Occupational Specialty and No.:** Cook 060

**Battles and Campaigns:** Algeria-French Morocco; Tunisia

**Decorations and Citations:**
- EAME Theater Ribbon w/2 Bronze Stars per WD GO #33/45
- American Defense Service Medal
- Good Conduct Ribbon

**Wounds received in action:** None

**Latest Immunization Dates:**
- Smallpox: 24 Jul 44
- Typhoid: 18 Jun 43
- Tetanus: 10 Dec 43

**Service outside continental U.S. and return:**

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**Total Length of Service:**
- Continental Service: 2 Years 11 Months 26 Days
- Foreign Service: 2 Years 0 Months 14 Days

**Highest Grade Held:** Tec.5

**Prior Service:** None

**Education:**
- Grammar School: 8
- High School: 1
- College: 0

**Reason and Authority for Separation:**
- Conv of Govt. RR 1-1 (Demobilization), AR 615-365, 15 Dec 1944

**Pay Data:**
- Pay Vou 1070
- Mustering out pay: 300
- Total payment: 100
- Total amt disbursed: 155.58

**Longevity for pay purposes:**
- Travel pay: 5.75

For convenience, a certificate of eligibility No. 4795817 has been issued by the Veterans Administration to be used for the future request of any Guaranty or Insurance benefit under title III of the Servicemen's Readjustment Act of 1944, as amended, that may be available to the person to whom this separation paper was issued. VARG, Indianapolis, Indiana.
Dalton Dome Ralph
and his immediate family:
Son of Dillice Elmer Ralph & Beatrice (Brown) Ralph

Dalton Dome Ralph and wife, Antha Belle (Shown) Ralph
B: Sept. 24, 1927.  
B: Feb. 4, 1928.  
M: Aug. 6, 1948.  
(1981 Photo)
Dalton Dome Ralph was born September 24, 1927 in Evansville, Indiana. Dalton was given his middle name of "Dome" in honor of their family doctor, an elderly Dr. Dome of Evansville, Indiana, who was a prominent doctor in those days and well liked by the Ralph family. I have entered a copy of a newspaper clipping taken from the Evansville Courier & Press that was published in 1949 about Dr. Dome's medical career and retirement.

Dalton started school in Evansville, Indiana, then attended the 2nd. & 3rd. grades at Mud College, 4th. grade at Lower NoCreek, then on to Hartford High. He grew up in the Mud College bottoms where he spent much of his youth farming and working at his Dad's sawmill. He joined the Army in 1946, spent 18mos. in Japan. A copy of his Army Discharge papers are one of the following pages.

Shortly after his discharge from the Army in 1948, he married Antha Belle Shown, daughter of J.R. & Antha Belle (Park)Shown.

Dalton and Antha Belle have 4 children, Dennis Dalton Ralph, Antha Marie Ralph, John Edward Ralph and Wayne Lee Ralph. See below for more information.

In 1949 Dalton bought the Everett Whittler farm located in the Mud College bottoms where he and his wife now reside. His occupation is farming this and his other farms. They are both members of the Hartford Christian Church.

Dalton Dome Ralph
B: Sept. 24, 1927.
M: Antha Belle Shown (B: Feb. 4, 1928)
Name of wife's parents: James Randall Shown & Antha Belle (Park) Shown.

No. of children born of Dalton & Antha Belle's marriage: 4
Name and birthdate of each child:
1. Dennis Dalton Ralph (B: Jan. 2, 1950), (M: Sue Ann Payton)
2. Antha Marie Ralph (B: Dec. 27, 1950), (M: James Taylor Winston)
3. John Edward Ralph (B: July 4, 1953), (M: Nora Lynn Pierce)
4. Wayne Lee Ralph (B: May 11, 1956), (M: Sandra Gail Patterson)

See following pages for photos and more information about each.
Former Evansville Doctor Now Located In Tell City, Has Practiced Fifty Years

TELL CITY, Ind., June 24. — (Special) — Dr. Hardin S. Dome, M. D., 75, Tell City, is completing 50 years of medical practice this month. He was graduated from the Kentucky School of Medicine in Louisville, June 26, 1900.

Last week he was in Louisville to attend a reunion of his class of 1900 that had 32 members. Only Dr. Dome and Dr. George H. Kamman, 80, Seymour, Ind., who is still practicing, were in attendance at the reunion meetings held at the Brown and Kentucky hotels.

Both were awarded certificates by the University of Louisville for completing 50 years in the practice of medicine and will be honored in a similar manner by the Indiana State Medical society when it meets in French Lick this year.

Practiced In Evansville
Dr. Dome entered practice immediately after his graduation at Eureka, Spencer county. While there he was married to Miss Chastina E. Miller in 1903.

He remained there four and one-half years, moving to Tell City where he practiced nine and one-half years.

After a year in California he located in Evansville where he practiced 24 years. He maintained his office in his residence on Columbia street in Evansville, opposite St. Mary's hospital.

The doctor has kept an accurate record of every patient he has administered to during his 50 years of practice. These records are kept in small black books and are complete to the smallest detail. Dr. Dome has recorded some in Latin, which he says are known to himself only, but he definitely knows what they mean and he says that is all that matters.

Dr. Dome returned to Tell City in 1939 with the idea of retiring or at least taking it easier, but he said during the time the younger doctors were in service he was probably busier than at any other time during his earlier career. He never misses a day or evening at his office at Ninth and Mozart streets.

He was born in Perry county, Aug. 15, 1874 near Magnet, the son of the late Dr. David C. Dome. His father practiced medicine in this county for 56 years. At the time he entered medical school his father was practicing at Troy, Ind., and Mrs. Dome have five children. Three sons, Robert B. Dome, Syracuse, N. Y., chief engineer in the radio department of the General Electric company, he is the top man patentwise with the company with over 52 patents to his credit; Marion H. Dome, Brazil; David Dome, Tell City; two daughters, Mrs. Edith Crenshaw and Mrs. Helen Schertzer, Evansville.
Honorable Discharge

from the Armed Forces of the United States of America

This is to certify that

DALTON D. RALPH, RA 15 228 133, CORPORAL, REGULAR ARMY,

was honorably discharged from the

Army of the United States

on the 12th day of APRIL 1943. This certificate is awarded

as a testimonial of Honest and Faithful Service.

GEO H. GILINES
MAJOR TC
**ENLISTED RECORD AND REPORT OF SEPARATION**

**HONORABLE DISCHARGE**

1. LAST NAME - FIRST NAME - MIDDLE INITIAL
   - **RALPH DALTON D**

2. ARMY SERIAL NO.
   - RA15 228 133

3. GRADE
   - Cpl

4. ARM OR SERVICE
   - Inf

5. COMP. & TERM OF ENG.
   - RA 18 Mos

6. ORGANIZATION
   - Co B 21st Inf Regt

7. DATE OF SEPARATION
   - 12 Apr 48

8. PLACE OF SEPARATION
   - Sep C Up Stoneman Calif

9. PLACE OF BIRTH
   - Evansville Ind.

10. DATE OF BIRTH
    - 24 Sep 27

11. COLOR EYES
    - Blue

12. COLOR HAIR
    - Brn

13. HEIGHT
    - 5'11"

14. WEIGHT
    - 190 lbs

15. NO. DEPENDENTS
    - 0

16. RACE
    - White

17. MARITAL STATUS
    - Single

18. U. S. CITIZEN
    - Yes

19. MILITARY OCCUPATION AND NO.
    - Truck Driver Light 7 36 260

20. GRADE
    - Cpl

21. ARM OR SERVICE
    - Inf

22. PLACE OF ENTRY INTO SERVICE
    - Fort Knox KY

23. DATE OF ENTRY INTO SERVICE
    - 3 Oct 46

24. DATE OF ENLISTMENT
    - 3 Oct 46

25. DATE OF INDUCTION
    - 2 Oct 46

26. PLACE OF BIRTH
    - Kansasville Ind.

27. COLOR EYES
    - Blue

28. COLOR HAIR
    - Brn

29. HEIGHT
    - 5'11"

30. WEIGHT
    - 190 lbs

31. NO. DEPENDENTS
    - 0

32. MILITARY OCCUPATIONAL SPECIALTY AND NO.
    - Projectionist Nation Picture 153
    - Rifle 11 Ex 189

33. BATTLE AND CAMPAIGNS
    - None

34. DECORATIONS AND CITATIONS
    - World War II Victory Medal
    - Army of Occupation Medal Japan

35. IMMUNIZATION RECORD
    - Smallpox
    - June 1947

36. LENGTH OF SERVICE
    - Continental Service 15 Years 6 Days
    - Foreign Service 25 Months

37. MILITARY HISTORY
    - Service Outside Continental U. S. and Return
    - Destination: APT
    - Date of Arrival: 27 Dec 1941

38. PRIOR SERVICE
    - None

39. REASON AND AUTHORITY FOR SEPARATION
    - AR 615 360 14 May 47 Expiration Term of Service

40. EDUCATION (Years)
    - Grammar School: 8
    - College: 0

41. SERVICE SCHOOLS ATTENDED
    - None

42. PAY DATA
    - Total Amount: $120.35
    - Name of Disbursing Officer: R H Hansen

43. INSURANCE NOTICE
    - Premium Due: Each Month
    - $3.25

44. KIND OF INSURANCE
    - Life

45. HOW PAID
    - Direct to

46. EFFECTIVE DATE OF ALLOTMENT DISCONTINUANCE
    - 31 May 48

47. INTENTION OF VETERAN TO
    - None

50. EFFECTIVE DATE OF ALLOTMENT DISCONTINUANCE
    - 30 Apr 48

51. DATE OF NEXT PREMIUM DUE
    - 31 May 48

52. PREMIUM DUE EACH MONTH
    - $3.25

53. AMOUNT OF ALLOTMENT DISCONTINUANCE
    - 0

54. REMARKS
    - Lapel Button Issued
    - Retained in Service 10 days beyond ETS at C of G

55. PERSONNEL OFFICER
    - Signature: Ralph D. Dalton
    - 1st Lt USAF

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**IMPORTANT**

If a premium is not paid when due or within thirty-one days thereafter, insurance will lapse. Make checks or money orders payable to the treasurer of the U. S. and forward to the collections subsection, Veterans Administration, Washington, D. C.

**54. KIND OF INSURANCE**

- Nat. Serv. U. S. Govt.

**55. REMARKS**

- Lapel Button Issued

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**AGG FORM 53**

TIONS OF THIS FORM ARE OBSOLETE.
This record of job assignments and special training received in the Army is furnished to the soldier when he leaves the service. In its preparation, information is taken from available Army records and supplemented by personal interview. The information about civilian education and work experience is based on the individual’s own statements. The veteran may present this document to former employers, prospective employers, representatives of schools or colleges, or use it in any other way that may prove beneficial to him.

1. LAST NAME—FIRST NAME—MIDDLE INITIAL
RALPH, DALTON D.

2. ARMY SERIAL NO.
RA 15 228 133 Cpl

3. GRADE
None

4. SOCIAL SECURITY NO.
None

5. PERMANENT MAILING ADDRESS (Street, City, County, State)
Rt. 3 Hartford, Kentucky

6. DATE OF ENTRY INTO ACTIVE SERVICE
3 Oct 1946

7. DATE OF SEPARATION
12 Apr 1948

8. DATE OF BIRTH
24 Sept 1927

9. PLACE OF SEPARATION
Seperation Center
Camp Stoneman, Calif.

SUMMARY OF MILITARY OCCUPATIONS

PROJECTIONIST, MOTION PICTURE—Served overseas with company "B" 21st Infantry, Kumamoto, Kyushu, Japan. Operated and made minor repairs and adjustments on motion picture projection and sound producer equipment to project motion pictures in connection with such as training and entertainment. Set up machine, threaded machine film, focused image on screen and turned dials to control volume.
To you who answered the call of your country and served in its Armed Forces to bring about the total defeat of the enemy, I extend the heartfelt thanks of a grateful Nation. As one of the Nation's finest, you undertook the most severe task one can be called upon to perform. Because you demonstrated the fortitude, resourcefulness and calm judgment necessary to carry out that task, we now look to you for leadership and example in further exalting our country in peace.

THE WHITE HOUSE
Son of Dalton Dome Ralph & Antha Belle (Shown) Ralph
(1981 Photo)

Sue Ann (Payton) Ralph and husband, Dennis Dalton Ralph
Dennis Dalton Ralph was born January 2, 1950 at Hartford (Ohio County), Kentucky. He attended the first thru 3rd. grades of school at Indianapolis, Indiana, and when the family moved back to Hartford, he attended Wayland Alexander and later graduated from Hartford High.

In 1968, at age 18, Dennis began work at the Hartford Post Office where he is presently employed as a 'Letter Carrier' for City Route No. 2.


Dennis and Sue Ann own a farm in the Clear Run Community and reside at Rt. 3, Hartford. They are both members of the Hartford Christian Church.

Sue Ann has worked in Hartford as a receptionist for Dr. Robert Norseworthy for the past several years.
Daughter of Dalton Dome Ralph & Antha Belle (Shown) Ralph (1981 Photo)

James Taylor Winston and wife, Antha Marie (Ralph) Winston
Antha Marie Ralph was born December 27, 1950 in Hartford (Ohio County), Kentucky. She attended the first and second grades of school at Indianapolis, Indiana. After the family moved back to Hartford, she attended Wayland Alexander and later went on to Hartford High.


Marie and 'Jimmie' presently reside in Bowling Green, Kentucky where he is employed by the Edwards Sausage Co., and she owns and operates 'Marie's Kiddie Kastle', a day care center for children. They are both members of the Hartford Christian Church.

Marie and 'Jimmie' have 2 children, Susan Faye Winston born September 6, 1968 in Hartford (Ohio County), Ky., and a son, James Douglas Winston born February 10, 1971 in Hartford (Ohio County), Kentucky.

(See next two pages for pictures of children)
Susan Faye Winston...Born September 6, 1968...(1982 Photo)
(Daughter of James Taylor Winston & Antha Marie (Ralph)Winston)
(Granddaughter of Dalton Dome Ralph & Antha Belle (Shown)Ralph)
(Son of James Taylor Winston & Antha Marie (Ralph) Winston)
(Grandson of Dalton Dome Ralph & Antha Belle (Shown) Ralph) 91B
Son of Dalton Dome Ralph & Antha Belle (Shown) Ralph

(1981 Photo)

John Edward Ralph and wife, Nora Lynn (Pierce) Ralph
Born July 4, 1953. Born November 27, 1960
Married on June 3, 1976
John Edward Ralph was born July 4, 1953 in Hartford, (Ohio County), Kentucky. John completed primary school at Wayland Alexander and later graduated from Hartford High.

On June 3, 1976, John married Nora Lynn Pierce, daughter of James Albert Pierce (B: Dec. 10, 1922) and Mary Gladys (Payton) Pierce (B: Sept. 21, 1925) of Hartford, Rt. 3. Nora Lynn is the granddaughter of Lewis Andrew Pierce (B: Feb. 1, 1881-D: May 8, 1968).

John is a member of the Hartford Christian Church and Nora Lynn is a member of the Concord Baptist Church. For several years, John worked as a welder for the Hawkins Construction Company, but his recent occupation is farming.

John and Nora own a farm and log home in the Hamlin Chapel Community.
Son of Dalton Dome Ralph & Antha Belle (Shown) Ralph (1981 Photo)

Wayne Lee Ralph and wife, Sandra Gail (Patterson) Ralph
B: May 11, 1956
B: Sept. 27, 1954
M: Feb. 10, 1973
Wayne Lee Ralph was born May 11, 1956 in Indianapolis (Marion County), Indiana. He attended primary school at Wayland Alexander and then went on to Hartford High.

On February 10, 1973, Wayne married Sandra Gail Patterson, daughter of Leslie Burton Patterson and Emma Lucille (Gabbard) Patterson. Sandra Gail is the granddaughter of Cortis Owen Patterson and Eva Gertrude (Patterson) Patterson. For several years, Wayne worked as a welder for the Hawkins Construction Company, but his recent occupation is farming.

Wayne and Sandra Gail (or 'Sandy') own a farm located at Hartford, Rt. 2 in the Lake Washburn Community where they presently reside. They are both members of the Hartford Christian Church.

Wayne and 'Sandy' have one child, a daughter named Amanda Gail Ralph, born July 16, 1976 in Owensboro (Daviess County), Kentucky.

(See next page for picture of Amanda Gail Ralph)
Amanda Gail Ralph...Born July 16, 1976. (1981 Photo)
(Daughter of Wayne Lee Ralph & Sandra Gail (Patterson) Ralph
(Granddaughter of Dalton Dome Ralph & Antha Belle (Shown) Ralph
Lee Dillice Ralph
and his immediate family:
Lee Dillice Ralph
B: Sept. 14, 1929
M: Pauline Bell
No. of children: 1
See back of page.

Right: →

(wife) Pauline (Bell) Ralph
and daughter, Cindy.
(1962 Photo)
Lee Dillice Ralph was born September 14, 1929. He attended the "Mud College" and Hartford High School. After his discharge from the army, he joined his brothers in establishing their aluminum products company, "Air-a-Lum" of Indianapolis, Indiana. (I was unable to obtain a copy of Lee's Army Discharge papers.)

On October 6, 1956 he married Pauline Bell, daughter of James Bert & Katie Edna (Free) Bell. They reside in Greenwood, Indiana.

Lee and Polly have 1 daughter and 3 stepchildren. The data on them is as follows:

No. of children of their marriage: 1.
Name & birthdate of child:

No. of stepchildren: 3. (Polly's children by former marriage)
Name of each stepchild:
1. Maurita Villarreal
2. James E. Villarreal
3. Mary Ramona Villarreal
Margie JoAnn (Ralph) Green
and her immediate family:
Margie JoAnn (Ralph) Green
& son, Russell Bruce Green.
(See back of page for more)

This photo taken in year 1961.

(Unable to obtain photo of Hal Green)

DAGHER OF

DILLICE ELMER RALPH
&
BEATRICE (BROWN) RALPH

Lê Thị Lĩt, Hừa ... (Vietnamese name)
or Rena ....... (American name).
(wife of Russell Bruce Green)
and son, Adam Bruce Green
See back of this page.
Margie JoAnn Ralph was born January 25, 1932 in Ohio County, Kentucky. She began her schooling at Wayland Alexander and then went on to Hartford High.

On September 8, 1956, she married Hal Green and after their marriage resided in the Indianapolis area. They have a son, Russell Bruce Green, born June 28, 1957 in Ohio Co.

JoAnn worked as a nurse at the Ohio County Hospital for four years. She took leave of this job to take care of her ailing mother. After her father’s death in 1971, she returned to the nursing profession and is presently working at the St. Francis Hospital Center in Beech Grove, Ind. She has been in the nursing profession off and on since she was 19 years old.

She owns a home in Greenwood, Indiana, where she presently resides.

JoAnn's son, Russell Bruce Green, married a Vietnamese girl. The data on them is as follows:

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Russell Bruce Green
B: June 28, 1957.
M: Rena (American name) or: Lê Thị Chiến Thảo (Vietnamese).
Wife's birthdate: Dec. 2, 1957
Name of wife's parents: Lê Văn Quyền and Châu Lợi
Her hometown: Viêt Nam – Sài Gòn
(Rena has 17 brothers & sisters).
No. of children born of this marriage: 1.
Name & birthdate of child:
I. Adam Bruce Green (B: Dec. 14, 1977)

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Clayton Orville Ralph
and his immediate family:
Above: Clayton Orville Ralph
B: Dec. 18, 1939
Right: His wife, Mary Lou (Williams) Ralph
See back of page:
Clayton Orville Ralph was born December 18, 1939. He attended the Wayland Alexander Grade School and later graduated from Hartford High. After his graduation, he worked as a teller at the Hartford Bank and later managed the DX Service Station in Hartford shortly before moving to Indianapolis, Indiana to join his brothers in establishing their own business, "Air-A-Lum, Inc."

On July 3, 1958 Clayton married Mary Lou Williams, daughter of Barney Ross Williams & Willie Marie (Jessie) Williams.

Clayton is a member of the Hartford Christian Church and Mary Lou is a member of the Greenwood Christian Church in Indiana. Both attend the Faith Community Church in Greenwood, Indiana where they reside.

Clayton and Mary Lou have 5 children. The names of their children are listed below.

1. Larry Dane Ralph  
   B: May 29, 1959  
   M: Nona Faye Pennington  
   Her father's name: William Chester Pennington, Jr.  
   Her mother's maiden name: Jewell Mae (Smith) Pennington.  
   No. of C: I (Name & Birthdate of child):  
   Larry Dane Ralph, Jr. (B: July 8, 1982)

2. William Paul Ralph  
   B: March 4, 1961

3. Mark Allen Ralph  
   B: March 22, 1962

4. Kathy Jo Ralph  
   B: Oct. 7, 1963  
   M: Jerry Lee Purvis  
   His father's name: Marion Glenn Wilson Purvis, Sr.  
   His mother's name: Ruth Eugenia (Hadsell) Purvis.

5. Teresa Lynn Ralph  
   B: April 7, 1973

(See pictures of each on opposite page)
Children of Clayton Orville Ralph & Mary Lou (Williams) Ralph

- Larry Dane Ralph
  B: May 29, 1959

- William Paul Ralph
  B: Mar. 4, 1961

- Mark Allen Ralph
  B: Mar. 22, 1962

- Kathy Jo Ralph
  B: Oct. 7, 1963

- Teresa Lynn Ralph
  B: Apr. 7, 1973
This concludes the history of the descendants of John Riley Ralph & Sally Ann (Nave) Ralph. Pages 121-144 of the remainder of this "Chapter Two" will tell of John Riley Ralph's brothers and sister, which I have already mentioned on pages 5 & 27, which are Andrew Jackson Ralph (M: Mary Katherine Westerfield), William Ralph (M: Fanny Greer), Marion Ralph (M: a Magan) and Phoebe Ralph (M: a McKinley), and will bring to the conclusion the History of William Ralph (Born 1779) & Nancy (Sharpe) Ralph and their descendants, and the end of "Chapter Two".

(I was unable to find any further information on Marion Ralph (M: a Magan), and Phoebe Ralph (M: a McKinley).
These are the names of the people buried in the Taylorfield Cemetery with monuments to identify their burial place. Many sunken graves without a marker, or just a plain field stone, indicate others have also been buried in this Cemetery.

I. Susan E. Taylor (wife of P.D. Taylor)
   B: Jan. 7, 1845 - D: Dec. 17, 1905
2. Willie Edna (wife of Gilbert A. Hines)
   B: Mar. 12, 1872 - D: July 31, 1902
3. Rhoda Ann (wife of A.N. Hines)
   B: May 19, 1874 - D: Aug. 20, 1893
   B: Dec. 29, 1892 - D: Sept. 20, 1893
5. H. Gordon (son of Herman & Addie Hines)
   B: 1922 - D: 1924
6. E.C. Greer
   B: Mar. 22, 1840
   D: Jan. 20, 1914
7. Fanny Ann Rebecca Greer (wife of B.C. Greer)
   B: Feb. 19, 1849 - D: Nov. 17, 1941
8. Samuel G. (Son of S.T. & N. Ford)
   B: Oct. 15, 1900 - D: Jan. 14, 1901
9. J.C. Greer
   B: June 16, 1831 - D: Mar. 22, 1915
10. Martha E. (wife of John C. Greer)
    B: May 27, 1837 - D: June 16, 1894
11. Sanford M. Greer & Elizabeth Greer
    1857-1948
    1861-1896
12. Deliah (daughter of S.M. & L.? Greer)
    B: Sept. 13, 1881 - D: Aug. 21, 1899
13. O.G.
14. L.G.
15. Geneva Henry
    B: Nov. 27, 1900 - D: Jan. 29, 1901
    May 8, 1903
17. C.H. Hoover
    B: May 8, 1859 - D: June 25, 1901
19. Almeda F. (wife of D.F. Foreman)
    B: June 20, 1870 - D: (no date)
19. D.F. Foreman
    B: Feb. 19, 1864 - D: Sept. 29, 1918
20. Lou Ada Ford
    Mar. 14, 1870
21. I.B. "Grub" Ford
    Sept. 10, 1877 - Oct. 31, 1942
22. Inez (wife of W.S. Samuels)
    B: Nov. 7, 1890 - D: Jan. 23, 1906

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23. W. A. Helm & Ada (His wife)  
   B: Feb. 4, 1851 — D: Mar. 30, 1868  
   D: Dec. 31, 1921

24. Jessie A. (Son of W. A. & Ada Helm)  
   B: July 5, 1896 — D: May 23, 1914

   B: May 10, 1844 — D: Sept. 20, 1902

   B: Dec. 15, 1882 — D: Jul. 13, 1902

27. Children of Ernest & Lora M. Graves  
   Virginia M.  
   B: Mar. 16, 1912 — D: Nov. 27, 1917
   & Infant Son  
   B: Sept. 12, 1908 — D: Nov. 26, 1908

28. Romulus (son of H. C. & M. E. Powers)  
   B: Nov. 12, 1888 — D: May 9, 1889

   B: May 9, 1886 — D: Aug. 22, 1892

   B: Dec. 30, 1898 — D: Aug. 21, 1912

31. Loucile McGinn  
   B: Feb. 1, 1933

32. Mortina Miller  
   B: Mar. 5, 1877 — D: Apr. 19, 1917

33. Lora May (Daughter of J. L. & Tina Miller)  
   B: Sept. 7, 1908 — D: Dec. 21, 1908

34. Carmi (son of J. L. & E. A. Miller)  
   B: May 10, 1895 — D: Sept. 2, 1897

35. Abby (son of J. L. & E. A. Miller)  
   B: Jan. 23, 1894 — D: Mar. 5, 1894

36. Eliza A. (wife of J. L. Miller)  
   B: Jan. 4, 1869 — D: May 2, 1897

37. W. A. Gross  
   B: Sept. 1, 1892 — D: May 25, 1913

38. J. T. Gross  
   B: July 29, 1881 — D: Dec. 6, 1896

39. John B. Gross  
   B: July 3, 1852 — D: Nov. 13, 1916
   & Mary E. Gross (His wife)  
   B: Jan. 12, 1851 — D: Mar. 23, 1926

40. Earna (son of J. M. & L. Nevitt)  

41. Elvis (son of D. A. & L. Royal)  
   B: Feb. 23, 1890 — D: Jan. 17, 1900

42. Ima Ray  
   B: Feb. 14, 1898 — D: Nov. 21, 1899

43. Emma N. Ray  
   B: Nov. 6, 1855 — D: June 8, 1930

44. Mary E. Kelley  
   B: Apr. 10, 1846 — D: June 26, 1921

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45. Rommie G. (son of H.S. & Evil Midkiff)
46. Samuel A. Greer
   B: Mar. 30, 1871 — D: July 26, 1896
47. Lora B. (daughter of S.W. & L.B. Greer)
   B: Feb. 28, 1897 — D: Mar. 21, 1897
48. Manerla Ann (wife of W.P. Midkiff)
   B: Dec. 8, 1872 — D: June 6, 1898
49. Elizabeth Greer
   B: Sept. 15, 1835 — D: Oct. 2, 1910
50. Joe Greer
   B: Mar. 15, 1895 — D: May 3, 1912
51. J.R. Greer
   B: Aug. 12, 1863 — D: Jan. 9, 1929
   & Francis E. (His wife)
   B: Jan. 7, 1873 — D: June 6, 1927
52. W.H. Ward
   B: Dec. 10, 1840 — D: Jan. 22, 1916
   & Elizabeth Ward
   B: Feb. 10, 1845 — D: Feb. 21, 1914
53. Pendleton Ward
   B: Oct. 6, 1884 — D: May 20, 1970
54. John M. Vevitt
   B: May 27, 1862 — D: Oct. 22, 1922
   & Lillian V. Vevitt
   B: Oct. 28, 1872 — D: Apr. 11, 1942
55. Clarinda (wife of W.H. Ralph)
   B: June 15, 1869 — D: Nov. 5, 1914
56. Loney Ralph
   B: Aug. 5, 1888 — D: Nov. 4, 1926
   & Sue Malda (His wife)
   B: Feb. 7, 1895 — D: (no date)
57. William H. Ralph
   B: Apr. 16, 1859 — D: Aug. 25, 1944
58. Altha Ralph
   B: Oct. 15, 1890 — D: Feb. 21, 1967
59. Dillice E. Ralph
   B: Oct. 18, 1893 — D: Nov. 26, 1971
   & Beatrice Ralph
   B: June 30, 1896 — D: June 9, 1968

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60. Elmer C. Ralph (husband of Raye M.)
   B: Nov. 30, 1916 — D: June 24, 1971

61. Willard E. Ralph ......................
   B: Jan. 6, 1918 — D:

   Katherine L. Ralph
   B: May 1, 1924 — D:

62. Grover C. Greer
   B: June 5, 1888 — D: Nov. 29, 1972

63. S. J. Greer
   B: Apr. 18, 1859 — D: Mar. 17, 1929

64. Mary L. (wife of S. J. Greer &
   daughter of J. M. & S. M. Ralph)
   B: Mar. 7, 1866 — D: Mar. 20, 1914

65. Infant daughter of S. J. & M. L. Greer
   B: Oct. 3, 1898 — D: Oct. 15, 1898

66. Claud (son of J. H. & Evil Midkiff)
   B: & D: Oct. 23, 1902

67. Cordelia Midkiff ......................
   B: 1884 — D: 1968

   William P. Midkiff
   B: 1870 — D: 1930

68. Z. W. (son of W. T. & J. H. Greer)
   Mar. 3, 1892
   Apr. 30, 1896

69. Wm. Thomas Greer ...................
   B: Aug. 12, 1867 — D: Oct. 29, 1929

   Harriett (His wife)
   July 14, 1867 — D: Nov. 1, 1950

70. Otis Greer .........................
   B: June 9, 1897 — D: Mar. 16, 1956

   Flora A. Greer
   B: Dec. 21, 1896 — D: 

71. Della May (Daughter of Abe & M. D. White)
   B: Nov. 9, 1904 — D: June 19, 1908

72. Abe White . . . . . . . . . . . . . . .
   & . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . .
   Mary Drue White
   1863-1931
   1871-1951

73. Archie (Son of A. A. & M. H. White)
   B: Aug. 10, 1931 — D: Aug. 27, 1931

74. Wavy Jett Gross
   Ky.
   Pvt. 159 Depot. Brig.
   B: Aug. 8, 1889 — D: Mar. 8, 1928
Loney Ralph
B: Aug.5, 1888
D: Nov. 4, 1926
M: Sue Malda Ward
No. of Children: 3

Virginia D. Ralph
B: Mar. 1, 1918
M: Gaither Robinson

William Manuel Ralph
B: Sept. 18, 1920
No. of Children: 3
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Christine Ralph
B: Dec. 24, 1924
M: Glover Priar
William Manuel Ralph
B: Sept. 18, 1920
M: Nora Sapp
No. of Children: 3

Oma Dean Ralph
B: Feb. 21, 1946

William Joseph Ralph
B: April 13, 1947
M: ?

Brenda Sue Ralph
B: Mar. 15, 1949
Dillice Elmer Ralph
B: Oct. 18, 1893
D: Nov. 26, 1971
M: Beatrice Brown
No. of Children: II

Clayton Ralph
B: Dec. 18, 1939
M: Mary Lou Williams
Children: 5

Joann Ralph
B: Jan. 25, 1932
M: Hal Green
Children: 4

Lee Ralph
B: Sept. 14, 1929
M: Pauline Bell
Children: 2

Dalton Ralph
B: Sept. 24, 1927
M: Martha B. Shown
Children: 7

Robert Ralph
B: Oct. 19, 1923
M: Gwendolyn Napier
Children: 3

Carma Ralph
B: Mar. 12, 1928
M: Ray King, Jr.
Children: 3

William Ralph
B: Jan. 9, 1918
M: Louise McCubbin
Children: 2

Elmer Ralph
B: Nov. 7, 1916
M: Elizabeth Evans
Children: 2

Marvin Ralph
B: Sept. 16, 1915
M: James Reason
Children: 2

Mary Louise Ralph
B: Aug. 28, 1954
M: James Reason III

Cindy Lee Ralph
B: Oct. 21, 1959

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Ciscero Elmer Ralph
B: Nov. 30, 1916
D: June 25, 1971
M: Dorothy Freund
No. of Children: 3

Carol Louise Ralph
B: Nov. 27, 1933
M: Kenneth Robertson+(ReM: Glenn Robb)
No. of Children: 2

Karl Elmer Ralph
B: Feb. 25, 1943

Rebecca Ann Ralph
B: Feb. II, 1948
M: James Edward Gay, II+(ReM:)
No. of Children: 3
Jerry Wayne Ralph
B: Apr. 30, 1949
M: Betty Jean Jones
No. of Children: 3

John Wayne Ralph
B: Mar. 6, 1968

Rose Marie Ralph
B: Apr. 11, 1969

Kina Geroldean Ralph
B: May 22, 1971
Dillice Anderson Ralph
B: Feb. 28, 1951
M: Sherry Beaver
No. of children: 1

Dillice Anderson Ralph II.
B: May 16, 1981
Altha Robert Ralph II  
B: Feb. 16, 1954  
M: Brenda Sue Yaden  
No. of Children: 2

Altha Robert Ralph III  
B: Aug. 12, 1974

Rachel Ann Ralph  
B: Feb. 17, 1977
Steven Eugene Ralph  
B: May 5, 1956  
M: Susan Mildred Beaver  
No. of Children: 2

Steven Eugene Ralph II  
B: Oct. 10, 1977

Cassie Jean Ralph  
B: July 30, 1981
Dalton D. Ralph
B:Sept. 24, 192?
M: Antha B. Shown
No. of Children: 4

Dennis Dalton Ralph
B: Jan. 2, 1950
M: Sue Ann Payton
No. of Children: 0

Antha Marie Ralph
B: Dec. 27, 1950
M: James T. Winston
No. of Children: 2

John Edward Ralph
B: July 4, 1953
M: Nora Lynn Pierce
No. of Children: 0

Wayne Lee Ralph
B: May 11, 1956
M: Sandra Gail Patterson
No. of Children: 1

Amanda Gail Ralph
B: July 16, 1976

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Orville Clayton Ralph
B: Dec. 18, 1939
M: Mary Lou Williams
No. of Children: 5

Larry Dane Ralph
B: May 29, 1959
M: Nona Pennington

William Paul Ralph
B: Mar. 4, 1961

Mark Allen Ralph
B: Mar. 22, 1962

Kathy Jo Ralph
B: Oct. 7, 1963
M: Jerry Purvis

Teresa Lynn Ralph
B: Apr. 7, 1973

Larry Dane Ralph, Jr.
B: July 8, 1982
ANDREW JACKSON RALPH - B: 1836 - D: 1909
(a brother to our John Riley Ralph)
The pictures of Andrew Jackson Ralph and his wife, Mary Catherine (Westerfield) Ralph, was made possible through the courtesy of Mrs. Charles William (Vertie Lee) Ralph, of (Rt. 2, Whitesville, Ky.), a granddaughter of Andrew Jackson Ralph.
Mary Katherine (Westerfield) Ralph, B: 1842-D: 1923.
(Wife of Andrew Jackson Ralph)
HUSBAND'S Name: Andrew Jackson Ralph  
When married:  
Other wives (if any): None  
His father: (Will) or William Ralph  
His mother's Maiden Name: Nancy Sharp

WIFE'S Maiden Name: Mary Katherine Westerfield  
When Born: June 1, 1842. Where Born: Ohio County.  
Her Father: David Westerfield.  
Her Mother's Maiden Name: Elizabeth Moseley

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<td>Nanie Ralph</td>
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Andrew Jackson Ralph
B: Feb. 15, 1836
D: May 27, 1909
M: Mary K. Westfield
No. of Children: 14

Jane Ralph
B: I85I
M: Joseph Allen Ward

Dolly Ralph
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Silas B. Ralph
B: Sept. 17, 1863
M: Rachel Elizabeth Clark

Rose Ralph
B: Sept. 20, 1879
M: Simon Bozman

George A. Ralph
B: Sept. I, 1883
M: Josephine Rose McClure

Henry Coleman Ralph
B: July 17, 1880
D: April 8, 1867
M: Julia Ward

Gertrude Ralph
M: Fred Nechan

Henry Coleman Ralph
B: May 14, 1872
D: Dec. 24, 1956
M: Madora E. Vanover

John Robert Ralph
B: Dec. 9, 1865
D: March 10, 1867
M: William M. Wade

Sally Ann Ralph
B: March 10, 1867
M: Joseph Allen Ward

Polly Ralph
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William D. Ralph
B: Mar. 3, 1857
D: Nov. 19, 1841
M: William M. Burdett

Dester Ralph
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Jude Ralph
HUSBAND: William David Ralph
Born: March 3, 1857 in Ohio County
Married: 
Died: Nov. 19, 1914 in Ohio County
His Father: Andrew Jackson Ralph
His Mother: Mary Katherine Westerfield
Wife: Lillie Martha Burdett
Born: May 1, 1867 in Daviess County
Died: Aug. 19, 1953 in Ohio County
Her Father: James K. Burdett
Her Mother: Martha Nave
Names and Birth dates of Children:
Marlon E. Ralph....Born July 8, 1883 in Ohio County
Pled Dec. 27, 1907 in Ohio County
Sallie M. Ralph.....Born March 25, 1885 in Ohio Co.
Died Jan. 24, 1957 in Ohio Co.
Dudley Ralph.........Born March 3, 1887 in Ohio Co.
Thurman Ralph........Born May 31, 1889 in Ohio Co.
James Andrew Ralph...Born Sept. 29, 1892 in Ohio Co.
Blanchie Jane Ralph, Born March 6, 1895 in Ohio Co.
William Hobart Ralph, Born Sept. 18, 1897 in Ohio Co.
Marthie Ralph........Born Jan. 23, 1900 in Ohio Co.
Died Mar. 31, 1901 in Ohio Co.
Arvin Alfred.........Born Feb. 10, 1902 in Ohio Co.
Bettie Mae Ralph.....Born Mar. 24, 1904 in Ohio Co.
Virtie Lee Ralph.....Born May 19, 1907 in Ohio Co.

HUSBAND: Andrew Ralph
Born: May 27, 1920 in Ohio County
Married: May 31, 1946 in Ohio County
His Father: James Andrew Ralph
His Mother: Allie Ralph
Wife: Ruby Vanover
Born: Nov. 9, 1927 in Daviess County
Her Father: Odell Vanover
Her Mother: Agnes
Names and Birth dates of Children:
Odell Ralph.......Born Dec. 5, 1947 in Ohio County
Charlotte Ann Ralph..Born Apr. 8, 1949 in Ohio Co.
Dennie Malcom Ralph...Born June 6, 1951 in Ohio Co.
Ricky Vanover Ralph.....Born Nov. 10, 1958 in Ohio Co.
HUSBAND: James Herman Ralph
Born: Dec. 16, 1924 in Ohio County
Married: Dec. 16, 1949 in Daviess Co.
His Father: James Andrew Ralph
His Mother: Allie Ralph
Wife: Dorothy Mae Barnett
Born: Jan. 4, 1931 in Daviess County
Her Father: Samuel Barnett
Her Mother: May Bell Allen
Names and Birth dates of Children:
Joanna Ralph.........Born Nov. 23, 1954 in Dav. Co.
Terry Lee Ralph........Born Feb. 6, 1960 in Dav. Co.
HUSBAND: William Hobart Ralph
Born: Sept. 29, 1897 in Ohio County
Married: Sept. 1922 in Ohio County
His Father: William (David or Daniel) Ralph
His Mother: Lillie Martha Burdett
Wife: Aileen Mills
Born: March 6, 1892 in Daviess County.
Her Father: Samuel Mills
Her Mother: Puss Pool
No. of children: 4
Names and Birth dates of children:
Hobart Kenneth Ralph... Born Sept. 26, 1926 in Ohio Co.
Russell Dennie Ralph... Born Sept. 26, 1926 in Ohio Co.
Joseph Malcom Ralph... Born Dec. 10, 1928 in Ohio Co.
Gerry Mitchell Ralph... Born Dec. 3, 1934 in Ohio Co.

HUSBAND: Arvin Alford Ralph
Born: Feb. 10, 1902 in Ohio County
Married: April 27, 1920 in Ohio County
His Father: William Daniel Ralph
His Mother: Lillie Martha Burdett
Wife: Mary Inez Greer
Born: Sept. 20, 1899 in Ohio Co.
Died: Oct. 6, 1981 in Daviess County
Her Father: Samuel Greer
Her Mother: Mary Lee Ralph
Names and Birth dates of Children:
Clifford Denton Ralph... Born July 1, 1921 in Ohio Co.
Mary Ruth Ralph............ Born May 28, 1928 in Ohio Co.
Mural Leen Ralph........... Born Aug. 3, 1931 in Ohio Co.
Gerald Deen Ralph........... Born Aug. 3, 1931 in Ohio Co.
Brening Ralph.............. Born Apr. 18, 1938 in Ohio Co.
Husband: Charles William Ralph  
Born: April 6, 1908  
Died:  
His Father: James Taylor Ralph  
His Mother: Lillie Chapman  
Wife: Vertie Lee Ralph  
Born: May 19, 1907  
Her Father: William D. Ralph  
Her Mother: Lillie M. Burdett  
No. of children: 3  

HUSBAND: William M. Wade  
Born: March 8, 1857 in Ohio Co., Ky.  
Died: June 11, 1954  
His father: Josha Wade  
His mother: Elizabeth Kelly  
WIFE: Sally Ann Ralph  
Born: Mar. 10, 1867 in Ohio Co.  
Her father: Andrew Jackson Ralph  
Her mother: Mary Catherine Westerfield  
Name & Birthdates of children:  
Emmett Wade .......... Born: Jan. 18, 189?  
Albert Wade .......... Born: Apr. 8, 189?  

HUSBAND: Henry Dester Ralph  
Born: May 25, 1907 in Ohio County, Ky.  
Died:  
Married: Dec. 30, 1930 in Daviess County  
His father: John Robert Ralph  
His mother: Madora E. Vanover  
WIFE: Mary L. Shock  
Born: Dec. 16, 1914 in Daviess County  
Her father: Jake Shock  
Her mother: Ida Mae Spencer  
Names & Birthdates of children:  
Edna Mae Ralph .......... Born: March 5, 1932 in Daviess County  
Mary Rose Ralph .......... Born: Oct. 6, 1934  
Donald Henry Ralph .......... Born: Mar. 4, 1942
John Robert Ralph
B: Dec. 9, 1865
D: Dec. 24, 1956
M: Madora E. Vanover
No. of Children: ?
(One I know of)

Henry Dester Ralph
B: May 25, 1907
M: Mary L. Shock
See page -129
This page shows the Lineage of Joseph Gregory Hagan;  
(Author of Chapter One in this book.)  B:1920

Husband: Daniel Gregory Ward  
B: Oct. II, 1872  
D: June 15, 1959  
M: April 20, 1893  
His father: Walter Lee Ward  
His mother: Romalda Rhoades  
WIFE: Lourena Ralph  
B: May 14, 1872  
D: Dec. II, 1953  
Her father: Andrew Jackson Ralph  
Her mother: Mary Katherine Westerfield  
Names of their 8 children:  
Rose Annie Ward... B: 1894... D: 1965  
Joseph Elmer Ward... B: 1895... D: 1964  
William Gilbert Ward... B: 1897  
Mary Etta Ward (M: William Kernie Hagan)  
Ines Gertrude Ward... B: 1903... D: 1942  
Homer Andrew Ward... B: 1905... D: 1965  
Virgil Norbert Ward... B: 1908  
Dexter Lee Ward... B: 1912

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Husband: William Kernie Hagan  
B: Feb. 7, 1897  
His father: Joseph Patrick Hagan  
His mother: Nancy Jane Sharp  
WIFE'S maiden name: Mary Etta Ward  
B: March 6, 1899... D: June 18, 1955  
Her father: Daniel Gregory Ward  
Her mother: Lourena Ralph  
Names of their 8 children:  
William Herman Hagan  
Joseph Gregory Hagan (Author of Chapter One in this Book)  
Audrey Louis Hagan  
Lawrence Damon Hagan  
Thomas Bernard Hagan  
Hazel Jean Hagan  
Wilma Lee Hagan  
Mary Juanita Hagan

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Lawrence Ralph

Lobertha Ralph

Pearl Ralph
M:J.O. Lyons

Joseph Ora Ralph

Agnes Marie Ralph
M:Joseph H.Melton

Robert Lewis Ralph
(Died as a baby)

Elsie Ralph
M:Gilbert Redmond

Augustus Ralph
B:Aug.15,1922
M:Wanda Casey-6C:
See back of page

Cornelius Ralph
B:Aug.7,1926

John Coleman Ralph
(Died as a baby)

Charles Earl Ralph
B:Jan.9,1930
M:Lorene Smith-5C:
See back of page
Husband: Henry Coleman Ralph  
B: July 17, 1880  
D: April 8, 1967  
His father: Andrew Jackson Ralph  
His mother: Mary Katherine Westerfield  
WIFE: Lula Ward  
Names of their children:  
1. Lawrence Ralph  
2. Lobertha  
3. Pearl Ralph (M: J.O. Lyons)  
4. Joseph Ora Ralph  
5. Agnes Marie (M: Joseph H. Melton)  
6. Robert Lewis Ralph (Died as a baby)  
7. Elsie Ralph (M: Gilbert Redmond)  
8. Augustus Ralph (B: Aug. 15, 1922 (M: Wanda Casey))  
9. Cornelius Ralph (B: Aug. 7, 1926)  
10. John Coleman Ralph (Died as a baby)  
11. Charles Earl Ralph (M: Lorene Smith)

Husband: Augustus Ralph  
B: Aug. 15, 1922  
His father: Henry Coleman Ralph  
His mother: Lula Ward  
WIFE: Wanda Casey  
No. of children: 6  
Names of children:  
1. Janice Carol Ralph (B: Sept. 11, 1942)  
2. Dennis Wayne Ralph (B: Oct. 18, 1947)  
3. Norma Lou Ralph (B: Jan. 24, 1949) (M: Ronnie Alford)  
4. Rose Mary Ralph (B: Oct. 15, 1950) (M: Wm. Richard Bell)  
5. Melvin Dewight Ralph (B: Oct. 14, 1951)  
6. Alice Fay Ralph (B: July 1, 1953) (M: Ronnie Simms)

HUSBAND: Charles Earl Ralph, Sr.  
Born: Jan. 9, 1930 in Daviess County  
Married: Aug. 24, 1946 in Daviess County  
His father: Henry Ralph  
His mother: Lula Ward  
WIFE: Lorene Smith  
Born: July 2, 1925 in Daviess County  
Her father: Uffie Smith  
Her mother: Mary Catherine Wedding  
Names & Birthdates of children:  
Step Child: Peggy Lorraine (B: Sept. 7, 1945 in Daviess Co.)  
Evangeline Ralph (B: Sept. 4, 1947)  
Charles Earl Ralph, Jr. (B: Nov. 1, 1948)  
Barbara Ann Ralph (B: Dec. 31, 1949) (Died: Jan. 12, 1950)  
Jhonnie Ralph (B: April 24, 1951) (Died: April 25, 1951)
George Alford Ralph
B: Feb. 1, 1883
M: Rose Josephine McClure
No. of Children: 5

James Dester Ralph
B: Oct. 8, 1906
M: Veronica A. Stallings
See page I35..I36

George William Ralph
B: April 27, 1909
M: Pauline Taylor
See page I35

Mary Bell Ralph
B: May 8, 1914

Aline Ralph
B: May 1, 1919
M: Carnal Kernie Goods

Martine Ralph
B: Feb. 1, 1922
**HUSBAND: George Alford Ralph**  
*Born: Feb. 1, 1883 in Daviess County.*  
*Married: Sept. 20, 1903 in Daviess County.*  
*His father: Andrew Jackson Ralph*  
*His mother: Mary Katherine Westerfield*  
*WIFE: Rose Josephine McClure*  
*Born: March 28, 1884 in Mead County*  
*Her father: Robert McClure*  
*Her mother: Purdy*  
*Names & Birthdates of children:*  
  - **James Dester Ralph**... *Born: Oct. 8, 1906 in Daviess County*  
  - **George William Ralph**... *Born: April 27, 1909*  
  - **Mary Bell Ralph**... *Born: June 8, 1914*  
  - **Aline Ralph**... *Born: May 1, 1919*  
  - **Martine Ralph**... *Born: Feb. 1, 1922*

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**HUSBAND: James Dester Ralph**  
*Born: Oct. 8, 1906 in Daviess County*  
*Married: April 7, 1926 in Daviess County*  
*His father: George Alford Ralph*  
*His mother: Rose Josephine McClure*  
*WIFE: Veronica Ann Stallings*  
*Born: Feb. 27, 1910 in Daviess County*  
*Her Father: Martin Otis Stallings*  
*Her mother: Mary Flora Torrence*  
*Names & Birthdates of children:*  
  - **George Martin Ralph**... *Born: Dec. 24, 1927 in Daviess County*  
  - **Mary Agnes Ralph**... *Born: Dec. 15, 1928*  
  - **Lillian Beatrice Ralph**... *Born: Aug. 28, 1930*  
  - **James Willard Ralph**... *Born: Sept. 4, 1932*  
  - **Joseph Elmer Ralph**... *Born: June 17, 1937*  
  - **Virginia Pauline Ralph**... *Born: June 14, 1941*  
  - **Ruth Ann Ralph**... *Born: Sept. 3, 1943*  
  - **Thomas Gearl Ralph**... *Born: Jan. 4, 1946*  
  - **Paul Eugene Ralph**... *Born: April 6, 1948*  
  - **Robert Warren Ralph**... *Born: June 30, 1950*

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**HUSBAND: George William Ralph**  
*Born: April 27, 1909 in Daviess County*  
*Married: May 17, 1929 in State of Indiana*  
*His father: George Alford Ralph*  
*His mother: Rose Josephine McClure*  
*WIFE: Pauline Taylor*  
*Born: June 19, 1911 in Henderson County*  
*Her father: Joseph Taylor*  
*Her mother: Mary Bell Price*  
*Name & birthdate of children:*  
  - **William Taylor Ralph**... *Born: Jan. 15, 1949 in Daviess County*  

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HUSBAND: George Martin Ralph  
Born: Dec. 24, 1927 in Daviess County  
Married: Oct. 15, 1945 in Daviess County  
His father: James Dester Ralph  
His mother: Veronica Ann Stallings  
WIFE: Anna Rose Handcock  
Born: Jan. 5, 1921 in Daviess County  
Her father: Herman Handcock  
Her mother: Beth Snyder  
Names & Birthdates of children:  
Donna Jean Ralph... Born: June 2, 1946 in Daviess Co.  
Janice Fay Ralph... Born: Sept. 18, 1947 in Daviess Co.  

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WIFE NO. TWO: Sara Pratica Steel  
Born: May 15, 1926 in State of R.I.  
Her father: Vincent Steel  
Her mother: Nannel  
Names & Birthdates of children:  
George Martin Ralph, Jr... Born: Mar. 30, 1956 in Daviess Co.  
Pratica Nannel Ralph..... Born: July 4, 1959  

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HUSBAND: James Willard Ralph  
Born: Sept. 4, 1932 in Daviess County  
Married: June 6, 1953 in Daviess County  
His father: James Dester Ralph  
His mother: Veronica Ann Stallings  
WIFE: Anna Lois Durbin  
Born: March 9, 1937 in Daviess County  
Her father: Patrick Durbin  
Her mother: Mary Edwina Mattingly  
Names & Birthdates of children:  
James Patrick Ralph... Born: May 4, 1954 in Daviess Co.  
George Michael Ralph... Born: July 12, 1956  

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HUSBAND: Joseph Elmer Ralph  
Born: June 17, 1937 in Daviess County  
Married: Oct. 18, 1959 in State of N.C.  
His father: James Dester Ralph  
His mother: Veronica Ann Stallings  
WIFE: Iris Marie Simmons  
Born: Nov. 22, 1936 in State of N.C.  
Her father: Ira Simmons  
Her mother: Stella  
Name & birthdate of child:  
Joseph Warren Ralph... Born: Sept. 23, 1960 in Daviess Co.  

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Silas Bedford Ralph  
B: Sept. 17, 1883  
M: Rachel Elizabeth Clark  
No. of Children: 8

John Bedford Ralph  
B: Jan. 22, 1909  
M: Matilea Strattman  
See page 138

Emanuel Thomas Ralph  
B: Aug. 6, 1911  
M: Myrtle Pinkston  
See page 138

Mary Pauline Ralph  
B: Aug. 26, 1915

Joseph Sherrel Ralph  
B: Feb. 21, 1918  
M: Frances M. Moran  
See page 139

Hazel Elizabeth Ralph  
B: Dec. 5, 1921

Anna Lois Ralph  
B: Nov. 28, 1924

Susan Jean Ralph  
B: April 15, 1926

Robert Leo Ralph  
B: Dec. 3, 1930 (Ind.)
HUSBAND: Silas Bedford Ralph
Born: Sept. 17, 1883 in Ohio County
Married:
Died:
His Father: Andrew Jackson Ralph
His Mother: Mary Katherine Westerfield
Wife: Rachel Elizabeth Clark
Born: April 6, 1888 in Daviess County
Her Father: Thomas Clark
Her Mother:
Names and Birth dates of Children:
Emanuel Thomas Ralph.....Born Aug. 6, 1911 in Dav. Co.
Hazel Elizabeth Ralph.....Born Dec. 5, 1921 in Dav. Co.
Anna Lois Ralph..........Born Nov. 28, 1924 in Dav. Co.
Susan Jean Ralph.........Born April 15, 1926 in Dav. Co.

HUSBAND: John Bedford Ralph
Born: Jan. 22, 1909 in Daviess County
Married: Feb.
His Father: Silas Bedford Ralph
His Mother: Rachel Elizabeth Clark
Wife: Matilea Strattman
Born:
Her Father:
Her Mother:
Names and Birth dates of Children:
Paul David Ralph.....Born May 5, 1937 in State of Ind.

HUSBAND: Emanuel Thomas Ralph
Born: Aug. 6, 1911 in Daviess County
Married:
His Father: Silas Bedford Ralph
His Mother: Rachel Elizabeth Clark
Wife: Myrtle Pinkston
Born:
Her Father: Henry Pinkston
Her Mother:
Names and Birth Dates of Children:
Emanuel Kay Ralph......Born Aug. 15, 1947 in State of Ind.

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HUSBAND: Joseph Sherrel Ralph
Born: Feb. 1918 in Daviess County
Married: Aug. 8, 1936 in Daviess County
His Father: Silas Bedford Ralph
His Mother: Rachel Elizabeth Clark
Wife: Frances Margaret Moran
Born: May 27, 1917 in Daviess County
Her Father: John Hanny Moran
Her Mother: Laura Lee Linton
Names and Birth dates of Children:
Sherrel Ann Ralph..... Born April 1, 1940 in Dav. Co.
Francis Talmage Ralph.. Born May 5, 1941 in Dav. Co.
Daniel Raymond Ralph... Born Dec. 31, 1943 in Dav. Co.
Linda Kay Ralph....... Born May 6, 1947 in Dav. Co.
Jerry Wayne Ralph.......Born July 6, 1949 in Dav. Co.
Died Jan. 12, 1959
Died Dec. 4, 1959

HUSBAND: Julius C. Ralph
Born: Sept. 23, 1924 in Daviess County
Married: July 15, 1944 in Daviess County
His Father: Dester Ralph
His Mother: Esther Millay
WIFE: Dorothy Boyle (B: May 30, 1928 in Daviess Co.)
Her Father: James Boyle
Her Mother: Georgie Self
Names and Birthdates of Children:
Julius A. Ralph... Born: Sept. 28, 1947 in Daviess County
Ronald L. Ralph.... Born: Dec. 15, 1950
Michael D. Ralph... Born: April 14, 1955

HUSBAND: Thomas William Ralph
Born: July 25, 1927 in Daviess County
Married: April 6, 1951 in Miss. State
His Father: Dester Ralph
His Mother: Lilly Ester Millay
WIFE: Marjiore Jasper
Her Father: Alvah Manley Jasper
Her Mother: Hettie Frances Stewart
Names and Birthdates of Children:
Keith Shannon Ralph... Born Jan. 10, 1952 in Daviess Co.
Kevin Thomas Ralph.... Born Nov. 27, 1960
HUSBAND: George Henry Ralph  
Born: Dec. 1, 1920 in Ohio County  
Married: May 29, 1943 in Jefferson County  
His Father: Lawrence Ralph  
His Mother: Jannie Edge  
Wife: Mary Bernice Burch  
Born: Aug. 29, 1921 in Daviess County  
Her Father: Clement Albert Burch  
Her Mother: Mamie Ellen Edge  
Name and Birth dates of Children:  
Kenneth Wayne Ralph...Born Aug. 29, 1946 in Jeff. Co.  

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HUSBAND: Hugh Edward Ralph  
Born: June 23, 1944 in Ohio County  
Married: Dec. 13, 1958 in Ohio County  
His Father: Kernie Ralph  
His Mother: Pauline Rhoads  
Wife: Phyllis Cambron  
Born: Oct. 18, 1941 in Ohio County  
Her Father: Henry Ernest Cambron  
Her Mother: Ora Mae Bowlds  
Names and Birth date of Children:  
Karl Edward Ralph...Born Oct. 5, 1959 in Daviess County
William Ralph
B: date unknown
M: Fanny Greer
?G: I known

John William Ralph

Lu Ralph

Samuel Ralph

Mirtie Ralph

Minnie Ralph

Mary Elizabeth Ralph

George Alonzo Ralph
B: April 2, 1872
D: date unknown
M: Maggie Johnson-3C:
ReM: Harriett Midkiff-2C:
Cont. on next pg.
George Alonzo Ralph  
B: April 2, 1872  
D: date unknown  
M: Maggie Johnson-3C:  
ReM: Harriett Midkiff-2C:

Ernestine Ralph  
B: Jan. 18, 1902  
D: Dec. 18, 1979  
M: Walter F. McConnell

Moody Marion Ralph

Herbert Allen Ralph

James Arthur Ralph

Martha Elizabeth Ralph

(See next page for newspaper article about Mrs. McConnell.)
Beloved teacher dies at age 77

Mrs. Ernestyne McConnell, 77, humanitarian and beloved teacher for 50 years in Ohio County, died at 3:30 a.m. Tuesday, December 18 at the Owensboro-Daviess County Hospital. She had suffered a paralytic stroke at her home, 122 Render Street, Hartford one week before.

Mrs. McConnell, who never had children of her own, was well known for her love of children and her foster motherhood of many during the past 40 years. One foster son, Henry Strauss, had lived in the McConnell home since a teenager, and his son, Matthew, was her “dear grandson”.

A teacher of the first and second grades for half a century, Mrs. McConnell began her career in 1920 in a one-room school at Simmons after passing the State Teachers Examination while a sophomore at Hartford High School where she later graduated in 1923.

She was a member of the original faculty at Wayland Alexander School when it opened in 1937 and among her former students, are bankers, ministers, coaches, engineers, doctors and many teachers.

She was honored as “Outstanding Teacher and Humanitarian 1920-1970” after retiring as a continuous teacher but she had continued to substitute during the past nine years.

Mrs. McConnell was known as a most benevolent person because she was benevolent, gracious, kind, tenderhearted, sympathetic, gentle, compassionate and she was a very religious person. Her active membership at the Hartford Baptist Church spanned a period of 45 years during which time she taught the Young People’s Class and Class of Rachel.

She was a busy person, member of the Lizzie Ford Chapter 416, Eastern Star, the Hartford Woman’s Club, Ohio County Historical Society and Retired Teachers Association.

Mrs. McConnell was born January 18, 1902 at Magan Station in Ohio County, daughter of the late former County Judge G.A. Ralph and Margaret Johnson Ralph. Her mother died when she was a young girl and her experience at mothering began with the rearing of two brothers, now deceased.

She was married to Walter F. McConnell, former Ohio County Tax Commissioner and auto parts dealer, who died in August, 1965.

Survivors include a sister, Mrs. Paul (Martha) Muller of Clinton, South Carolina; two nieces, Mrs. Carroll Campbell of Clinton, South Carolina and Mrs. Thomas Dixon of Trumbull, Connecticut; one nephew, Richard Ralph of Roseville, Michigan; a sister-in-law, Mrs. Jim Ralph of Hartford and several nieces and nephews of her late husband.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Thursday, December 20 at the Hartford Baptist Church, with the pastor, Rev. Wesley O. Hanson, officiating. Burial will be in Oakwood Cemetery.

Miller Schapmire Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements.
Mrs. McConnell's Grandfather was Charles Marion Ralph, (whose mother was a Greer)

Charles Marion Ralph-M:-Susan Kirk
No. of children born of their marriage: 7
Names of their children are: John William Ralph
    Lu Ralph
    Samuel Ralph
    Mirtie Ralph
    Minnie Ralph
    Mary Elizabeth Ralph
    George Alonzo Ralph

Mrs. McConnell's father was George Alonzo Ralph, (Born April 2, 1872)

George Alonzo Ralph-M:-Maggie Johnson (first wife)
No. of children born of their marriage: 3
Names of their children are: Ernestine Ralph
    Moody Marion Ralph
    Herbert Allen Ralph

George Alonzo Ralph-M:-Harriett Midkiff (second wife)
No. of children born of their marriage: 2
Names of their children are: James Arthur Ralph
    Martha Elizabeth Ralph

Charles Marion Ralph fought in the Civil War at the Battle of Shiloh. He fought with the Union Army.

(All the above information was given to me by Mrs. McConnell.)
Ralph Family Records

HUSBAND'S Name: ____________________________
Date of Birth: _______________________________
Date Married: _______________________________
Date Died: _________________________________
His Father's Name: __________________________
His Mother's Maiden Name: __________________
WIFE'S Name: ______________________________
Date of her Birth: ___________________________
Date Died: _________________________________
Her Father's Name: __________________________
Her Mother's Maiden Name: __________________

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**Date Married:**

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**His Father's Name:**

**His Mother's Maiden Name:**

**WIFE'S Name:**

**Date of her Birth:**

**Date Died:**

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Ralph Family Records

HUSBAND'S Name:
Date of Birth:
Date Married:
Date Died:
His Father's Name:
His Mother's Maiden Name:
WIFE'S Name:
Date of her Birth:
Date Died:
Her Father's Name:
Her Mother's Maiden Name:

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Date Married: ________________________________
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His Father's Name: ________________________________
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Ralph Family Records

HUSBAND'S Name:
Date of Birth:
Date Married:
Date Died:
His Father's Name:
His Mother's Maiden Name:
WIFE'S Name:
Date of her Birth:
Date Died:
Her Father's Name:
Her Mother's Maiden Name:

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Family Records

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Date of Birth: ________________________________
Date Married: ________________________________
Date Died: _________________________________
His Father’s Name: _____________________________
His Mother’s Maiden Name: _______________________

WIFE’S Name: _________________________________
Date of her Birth: _____________________________
Date Died: _________________________________
Her Father’s Name: _____________________________
Her Mother’s Maiden Name: _______________________

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RALPH
Family Records

HUSBAND'S Name:

Date of Birth:

Date Married:

Date Died:

His Father's Name:

His Mother's Maiden Name:

WIFE'S Name:

Date of her Birth:

Date Died:

Her Father's Name:

Her Mother's Maiden Name:

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Date of Death: ______________________________

Name of Cemetery where Buried: ________________

Location of Cemetery: City________________________ State________

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Name of Deceased: ____________________________

Date of Death: ______________________________

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Name of Deceased: ____________________________

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Location of Cemetery: City________________________ State________

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DEATHS

Name of Deceased: ____________________________________________
Date of Death: ______________________________________________
Name of Cemetery where Buried: ________________________________
Location of Cemetery: City __________________________ State _____

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DEATHS

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Chapter Three

John L. Ralph, Sr.

and His Descendants
These are photos that were taken at the Ralph Family Cemetery of the tombstones of John L. Ralph, Sr. and his wife, Elizabeth (McClaine) Ralph. The Ralph Family Cemetery is located South of Panther Creek, high on a hill, southwest of Whitesville, Ky.

John Ralph
Born
May 15, 1787
Died
Aug. 3, 1856

Elizabeth
wife of
John Ralph
Born
Nov. 24, 1796
Died
Apr. 23, 1870
The photos of the tombstones of John L. Ralph and his wife, Elizabeth (McClain) Ralph, were made possible through the courtesy of Mrs. James (Moseley) Stevenson, 840 Oleander Drive, S.E., Winter Haven, Florida. Mrs. Stevenson is a great, great granddaughter of John L. Ralph and Elizabeth (McClain) Ralph.
John L.(Lawrence) Ralph, Sr.  
B: May 15, 1787  
D: Aug. 3, 1856  
M: Elizabeth McClaine  
3C:  

John L. (Lawrence) Ralph, Jr.  
B: Oct. 8, 1824  
D: Mar. 21, 1901  
M: Matilda A. Midkiff- 4C:  
ReM: Ava M. B. Midkiff- 4C:  
Continued on page 160  

James Marion Ralph  
B: Nov. 25, 1837  
D: April 12, 1916  
M: Sally Mary Moseley  
4C: Cont. on pg. 185-186  

William Thomas Ralph ("Long Will")  
B: Oct. 8, 1818  
D: April 20, 1888  
M: Sharlett Powers  
5C:  
Continued on page 188
HUSBAND: John Lawrence Ralph, Jr. (married 2 times)
Born: Oct. 8, 1824
Died: Mar. 21, 1901
His father: John Lawrence Ralph, Sr.
His mother: Elizabeth McClain
WIFE No. 1: Matilda A. Midkiff
Rem: WIFE No. 2: Ava M. B. Midkiff (sister of Matilda)
No. of children: 8
Names and Birthdates of children:
James Taylor Ralph... B: Oct. 4, 1852 in Ohio Co., Ky., D: 1924.
Tom Payton Ralph... B: (date unknown)
Lee Ralph........... B:
Henry Wise Ralph.... B: Oct. 29, 1870... D: June 23, 1944
Mary Royal Ralph.... B: (date unknown)
John B. Ralph........ B: 1861... D: 1893
Jeff David Ralph.... B: (date unknown)

HUSBAND: Tom Payton Ralph
Born: (date unknown)
M: Narcissus Patton-3C:
Names of children are:
1. Anna Bertha Ralph
2. Ira Ralph (never married)
3. Albert Ralph

Rem: ?
(I am told that Tom Payton Ralph went into Missouri and there he remarried and was the father of several more children. It is said that at one time he was a Methodist minister.)
JAMES TAYLOR RALPH-B: Oct. 4, 1852
and his wife (no. 3)
Lillie Chapman
The picture of James Taylor Ralph and wife No.3, Lillie Chapman, was made possible through the courtesy of Mr. Charles William Ralph of Rt.2, Whitesville, Ky., a son of James Taylor Ralph & Lillie (Chapman) Ralph.
HUSBAND: Estil Ralph
Born: (date unknown)
Died: ( " " )
His father: James Taylor Ralph
His mother's maiden name: A. Moseley
WIFE: Florence Helton
No. of children: 2
Names of children are:
1. Marvin Ralph (M: Earlene Foreman - 2G: girls)
2. Homer Ralph (M: Marie Murphy - 4G: )

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Estil Ralph
B: (date unknown)
M: Florence Helton
2C:

Marvin Ralph
B: (date unknown)
M: Earlene Foreman
2C: (girls)

Homer Ralph
B: May 17, 1904
D: Nov. 7, 1981
M: Marie Murphy
4C:

Wanda Jane Ralph
B: Jan. 20, 1937
M: Leo Kirk
3C:
See page 166

Estil Jackson Ralph
B: Mar. 9, 1940
M: Joyce Annis
2C:
See page 167

Cynthia Elaine Ralph
B: Nov. 8, 1947
M: Clifton Sandefur
3C:
See page 166

James Earl Ralph
B: Dec. 25, 1951
M: Yvonne Burden
2C:
See page 168
Homer Ralph
Born: May 17, 1904.
Died: November 7, 1981.
HUSBAND: Homer Ralph
Born: May 17, 1904
Died: Nov. 7, 1981
His father: Estil Ralph
His mother's maiden name: Florence Helton
WIFE: Marie Murphy (a great granddaughter of William Harve Ward & Elizabeth (Moseley) Ward, pictured on pg. 41)
Born: Mar. 15, 1915
Her father: Eliza Murphy
Her mother's maiden name: Jessie B. Gillim (daughter of Flora Ward & Henry Gillim - pg. 42)
No. of children: 4
Names & information about the 4 children are:

1. Wanda Jane Ralph
   B: Jan. 20, 1937
   M: Leo Kirk
   His father: Alva Kirk
   His mother's maiden name: Martine Crabtree
   No. of children: 3
   Names of children are:
   1. James Daniel Kirk
   2. Lisa Elaine Kirk
   3. Ralph Thomas Kirk

2. Estil Jackson Ralph
   B: Mar. 9, 1940
   M: Joyce Annis
   Her father: Roy Annis
   Her mother's maiden name: Ann Poster
   No. of children: 2
   Names & Birthdates of children are:
   1. David Jackson Ralph (B: Oct. 13, 1964)
   2. Maria Ann Ralph (B: June 4, 1970)

3. Cynthia Elaine Ralph
   B: Nov. 8, 1947
   M: Clifton Sandefur
   His father: Clifford Sandefur
   His mother's maiden name: Elsie Ball
   No. of children: 3
   Names of children are:
   1. Ryan Clifton Sandefur
   2. Christopher Allen Sandefur
   3. Tiffany Robin Sandefur

4. James Earl Ralph
   B: Dec. 25, 1951
   M: Yvonne Burden +
   Her father: W.H. Burden
   Her mother's maiden name: Wanda Faye ?
   No. of children: 2
   Names & Birthdates of children:
   1. Melanie Dawn Ralph (B: Dec. 5, 1970)
   2. James Brandon Ralph (B: Nov. 5, 1974)
Obituaries

Homer B. Ralph

Homer B. Ralph, 77, of 812 Madison Street, Hartford, died Saturday, November 7, 1981, at Ohio County Hospital.

He was born in Ohio County and was retired from Green River Steel. He was a member of Hartford Christian Church.

Survivors include two sons, Jack Ralph of Germantown, Tennessee and James Earl Ralph of Hartford; two daughters, Mrs. Leo (Wanda) Kirk of Columbus, Ohio and Mrs. Clifton (Cindy) Sandefur of Hartford; ten grandchildren; a brother, Diamond Fuqua of Owensboro; a sister, Mrs. Edwin Smith of Hartford.

Services were held at 2 p.m. Tuesday, November 10, at Miller-Schapmire Funeral Home with burial in Oakwood Cemetery, Hartford.
(Brought forward from pg. 165)

Estil Jackson Ralph
B: Mar. 9, 1940
M: Joyce Annis
2C:

David Jackson Ralph
B: Oct. 13, 1964

Maria Ann Ralph
B: June 4, 1970
James Earl Ralph
B: Dec. 25, 1951
M: Yvonne Burden+
2C;

Melanie Dawn Ralph
B: Dec. 5, 1970

James Brandon Ralph
B: Nov. 5, 1974
HUSBAND: James Andrew Ralph  
Born: Sept. 29, 1892 in Ohio Co.  
Married: April 26, 1912 in Ohio Co.  
His father: William David Ralph  
His mother: Lillie Martha Burdett  
WIFE: Allie Ralph  
Born: Nov. 3, 1895 in Ohio Co.  
Her father: James Taylor Ralph  
Her mother: Alzera Moseley  
No. of children: 9  
Names and Birthdates of children:  
William Taylor Ralph...B: Feb. 9, 1913 in Ohio Co.  
Lucille Ralph........B: July 31, 1915  
Martine Ralph........B: June 22, 1917  
Andrew Ralph.........B: May 27, 1920  
Roy D. Ralph.........B: June 18, 1922  
James Herman Ralph....B: Dec. 16, 1924  
Margaret E. Ralph....B: Sept. 12, 1927  
John William Ralph....B: June 6, 1933  
Eugene Ralph.........B: Feb. 2, 1937 

HUSBAND: Anis Farmer  
Born: Apr. 18, 1914 in Ohio Co.  
His father: Dave Farmer  
His mother: Itora Magan  
WIFE: Lucille Ralph  
Born: July 31, 1915 in Ohio Co.  
Her father: James Andrew Ralph  
Her mother: Allie Ralph  
Children:  
Jammie David Farmer...B: Feb. 8, 1941 in St. of Ind. 

HUSBAND: James Herman Ralph  
Born: Dec. 16, 1924 in Ohio Co.  
His father: James Andrew Ralph  
His mother: Allie Ralph  
WIFE: Dorothy Mae Barnett  
Her father: Samuel Barnett  
Her mother: May Bell Allen  
Names and Birthdates of children:  
Darrell Wayne Ralph...B: Oct. 10, 1950 in Dav. Co.  
Patsy Mae Ralph......B: Feb. 1, 1952  
Joanna Ralph.........B: Nov. 23, 1954  
Terry Lee Ralph......B: Feb. 6, 1960
Husband: Frank T. Russell  
B: Jan. 16, 1891 in Ohio Co.  
Married: Sept. 12, 1909 in Ohio Co.  
His father: James Russell  
His mother: Nancy Jane Taylor  
WIFE: Lizzie Mae Ralph  
B: Dec. 24, 1892 in Ohio Co.  
Her father: James Taylor Ralph  
Her mother: Alzera Moseley  
No. of children: 3  
Names of children are:  
1. Hazel Russell... B: Nov. 21, 1910... D: Oct. 3, 1958 - Ohio Co.  
2. Cecil Carmen Russell... B: May 16, 1916.  
3. Ralph Russell... B: May 7, 1924.  

Husband: James Everett Ralph  
B: May 3, 1906 in Ohio Co.  
Married: Sept. 19, 1925 in Daviess Co.  
His father: Reat Polk Ralph  
His mother: Malissa Taylor  
WIFE: Hazel Russell  
B: Nov. 21, 1910 in Ohio Co.  
Her father: Frank T. Russell  
Her mother: Lizzie Mae Ralph  
No. of children: 2  
Names of children are:  
1. Barbara Jean Ralph... B: Feb. 1, 1930 in Ohio Co.  
2. Verna Mae Ralph... B: Aug. 29, 1933  

Husband: Cecil Carmen Russell  
B: May 16, 1916 in Ohio Co.  
Married: June 19, 1944 in Daviess Co.  
His father: Frank T. Russell  
His mother: Lizzie Mae Ralph  
WIFE: Betty Hall  
B: May 16, 1918 in Daviess Co.  
Her father: Leonard Hall  
Her mother: Flora Ezell  
No. of children: 3  
Names of children are:  
1. Patricia Ann Russell... B: Jan. 10, 1946 in Daviess Co.  
2. Gail Lynn Russell... B: June 19, 1948  
3. Carmen Lee Russell... B: Dec. 5, 1950  

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Husband: Ralph Russell
B: May 7, 1924 in Ohio Co.
Married: March 12, 1949 in Ohio Co.
His father: Frank T. Russell
His mother: Lizzie Mae Ralph
Wife: Ruby Jean Nabours
B: July 9, 1931 in Ohio Co.
Her father: Leonard D. Nabours
Her mother: Clara Mae Shown
No. of children: 3
1. Judy Elaine Russell...B: April 14, 1950 in Ohio Co.
2. Darlene Russell......B: April 20, 1956 "
3. Ralph Franklin Russell...B: Jan. 26, 1959 "

HUSBAND: Jesse Lawrence Ralph
Born: Aug. 17, 1899 in Ohio County
Married: May 20, 1915 in Ohio County
His Father: James Taylor Ralph
His Mother: Lillie Chapman
Wife: Verda Mae Harden
Born: March 19, 1901 in Ohio County
Her Father: Irven Harden
Her Mother: Ella Taylor
Name and Birth date of Children:
Edythe Louise Ralph... Born June 10, 1919 in Ohio Co.
Doris Jean Ralph...... Born June 25, 1928 in Ohio Co.

HUSBAND: Charles William Ralph
Born: April 6, 1908
His father: James Taylor Ralph
His mother: Lillie Chapman
WIFE: Vertie Lee Ralph
Born: May 19, 1907
Her father: William D. Ralph
Her mother: Lillie M. Burdett
No. of children: 3

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HUSBAND: Henry Wise Ralph (married 3 times)
Born: Oct. 29, 1870 in Ohio County, Ky.
Died: June 23, 1944... Where Buried: Ralph's Cemetery, Ohio Co.
His father: John L. Ralph, Jr.
His mother's maiden name: Ava M. Barbara Midkiff

WIFE: NO. 1: Delilah Artimis Patton
Born: June 5, 1870
Died: Nov. 15, 1899
No. of children of this marriage: 0

Rem: WIFE No. 2: Estelle Ralph
Born: June 17, 1875
Died: Aug. 3, 1906... Where Buried: Ralph's Cemetery, Ohio Co.
Her father: John William Ralph
Her mother's maiden name: Suddie Brand
No. of children born of this marriage: 1
Name & Birthdate of child:
1. Wendell Ralph (B: Oct. 23, 1903... D: June 24, 1958)
   (M: Rose Josephine Pirtle... 6G:)

Rem: WIFE No. 3: Laura Ethel Ridenhower (M: 1908)
B: Aug. 14, 1887
D: Aug. 18, 1972
No. of children born of this marriage: 2
Names of children are:
1. Estella Lee Ralph (M: Herbert Whobrey... No children)
2. Sylvester Aaron Ralph (M: Raphel Park... No children)

The Ohio County News, Hartford, Kentucky
Thursday, August 24, 1972,

Obituaries

MRS. ETHEL RALPH

HARTFORD--Mrs Ethel Ralph, 85, died at 4:45, Friday, August 18, at Ohio County Hospital.
She was a member of the Marvin's Chapel United Methodist Church.
Survivors include a daughter, Mrs Estella Whobrey, a son, Aaron Ralph, both of Route 1, Hartford, six grandchildren, 15 great-grandchildren; several nieces and nephews.
Services were held at 2 p.m., Sunday, August 20, at the Duke Funeral Home, Hartford, conducted by Rev. Wayne Lyle, pastor of the Island United Methodist Church, assisted by Rev. Tom Small. Burial was in Ralphord Cemetery.
Sons of

John Lawrence Ralph, Jr.
&
Ava M. Barbara Midkiff

(Brothers)-Jeff David Ralph & Henry Wise Ralph
B:1870
The picture of Jeff David Ralph and Henry Wise Ralph was made possible through the courtesy of Mrs. Wendell (Josephine) Ralph of 120 Mulberry Ct., Hartford, Ky.
Henry Wise Ralph
B: Oct. 29, 1870
D: June 23, 1944
M: Wife No. 1:
Delilah Artimis Patton-OC:
B: June 5, 1870
D: Nov. 15, 1899

ReM: Wife No. 2:
Estelle Ralph-IG:
B: June 17, 1875
D: Aug. 3, 1906

ReM: Wife No. 3:
Laura Ethel Ridenhower-2C:
B: Aug. 14, 1887
D: Aug. 18, 1972

Wendell Ralph
B: Oct. 23, 1903
D: June 24, 1958
M: Rose Josephine Pirtle
No. of children: 6
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Estella Lee Ralph
B: Dec. 12, 1910
M: Herbert Whobrey
No. of children: 0

Sylvester Aaron Ralph
B: Mar. 24, 1913
M: Raphel Park
No. of children: 0
(See pg. 183)
HUSBAND'S Name: Wendell Ralph  
When Married: Dec. 22, 1923  
Other wives (If any): None  
His father: Henry Wise Ralph  
His mother's maiden name: Estelle Ralph  
WIFE'S maiden name: Rose Josephine Pirtle  
Born: May 24, 1904 in Ohio Co.  
Other husband's (If any): None  
Her father: Clarence Pirtle  
Her mother's maiden name: Lillie Barnard Stevens  
No. of children born of this marriage: 6  
Names and information about these children:  

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<td>2. Mildred Ione Ralph</td>
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<td>5. Velma Rose Ralph</td>
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Wendell Ralph, Sr., 54, prominent Democratic leader, of 120 Mulberry Court, Hartford, died at 6 o'clock Tuesday morning at St. Joseph's Infirmary, Louisville.

He had been admitted on Tuesday, June 17, and underwent observation surgery on Thursday of that week, and a follow-up cerebral operation on Monday, June 23. Death was attributed to a tumor of the brain. He had been in failing health for three years.

Familiar with teaching, farming, stock raising and Democratic politics, Mr. Ralph was one of Ohio county's leading citizens.

He was born on a farm at Ralph's Station, October 23, 1903, the only son of the late Henry Wise and Estella Ralph.

Educated in the county public schools and at Beaver Dam high school, he taught from 1924 until 1925 at the Cromwell Consolidated school. He was a member of the Beaver Dam Methodist church.

Mr. Ralph entered politics in 1933 when he won the Democratic nomination for tax commissioner of Ohio county. His interests in politics brought him the chairmanship of the Democratic Executive committee in Ohio county on December 14, 1940.

He served as a WPA foreman in Ohio county, after which he became a state investigator for the state insurance department. Later, he was transferred to the Welfare department as parole officer of the 38th district. For a number of years, Mr. Ralph was store-keeper-gauger for the Alcoholic Tax Unit of the U.S. Treasury Department, and more recently served a second time as parole officer until failing health forced his retirement.

Taking an active interest in agriculture since early childhood, he was a prominent farmer and at one time, was the owner of the only registered Dutch Belted cattle in the state.

On December 22, 1923, Mr. Ralph was married to Miss Josephine Pirtle, of Beaver Dam. She is assistant postmaster at Hartford.

Survivors besides his wife are three daughters, Mrs. Hubert Pirtle, Mrs. Lester Luttrell, Velma Rose Ralph, all of Hartford; three sons, Everett McKenzie, Charles Kenneth, of Hartford, and Wendell, Jr., of Bardstown; his step-mother, Mrs. Ethel Ralph, Route 1, Hartford; one sister, Mrs. Herbert Whobrey, Route 1, Hartford; one brother, Aaron Ralph, of Route 1, Hartford; and four grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted at 10 a.m. Thursday at the Hartford Baptist church by the Rev. Wesley O. Hanson, pastor. Burial was in Oakwood cemetery.

Active pallbearers were: Percy H. Landrum, Norton G. Hunley, James Oldham, Walker Carter, Charlie Hauser and Drayne G. Creech.

Honorary pallbearers were: Forrest P. Bell, Paul Crow, Marcellus O. Young, Ed Drake, Charlie Hauserman and Dr. Paul E. Goodwin.

Birkenhead Funeral Home directed arrangements.
Mildred Ione Ralph  
B: June 14, 1927...D: Mar. 17, 1975  
M: Hubert O. Tichenor on Dec. 26, 1946  
No. of children: 5  
Names of children are:  
1. James Ralph Tichenor (M: 1968 to Bonnie Johnson-2C:)  
   (Names of their children are: Brian James Tichenor, Stacy Nicole Tichenor)  
2. Judy Gayle Tichenor (M: 1971 to Jerry Martin Bevil-2C:)  
   (Names of their children are: Kara Kusten Bevil, Whitney Michele Bevil)  
4. Jeffrey Lynn Tichenor (M: 1975 to Susan Doreen Spencer-  
   (ReM: 1980 to Karey Bergslien)  
   (Name of child: Arin Ranea Tichenor)  
5. Joan Elaine Tichenor (M: 1981 to Donald Ray Evans)  

Velma Rose Ralph  
B: Feb. 22, 1935  
M: 1957 to Jerry Delaney +  
ReM: 1961 to George Duane Gustafson-3C:  
Names of children are:  
1. Cheryl Rae Gustafson  
2. Susan Gail Gustafson  
3. Duane Theodore Gustafson  

Margaret Jo Ralph  
B: Dec. 25, 1937  
M: 1957 to Lester Ray Luttrell-3C: +  
ReM: 1979 to Eugene R. Ward  
Names of children are:  
1. Leslie Jo Luttrell  
2. Laura Ann Luttrell (M: 1979 to Bryan H. Ross)  
3. Paul Ray Luttrell
(Brought forward from pg.178)

Wendell Ralph, Jr.
B: Jan. 24, 1926
M: Bertha Powers
No. of children: 4

Barry Shawn Ralph
B: Mar. 29, 1959
M: Theresa Kaye Richeson

Brian Tod Ralph
B: Oct. 21, 1960
M: Cindy Lou Kennedy
2C:

Mark Allen Ralph
B: May 23, 1962

Darlene Ralph
B: Apr. 29, 1964

Brian Jeffrey Ralph
B: Oct. 1, 1979

Michael Tod Ralph
B: Apr. 28, 1981
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Everett McKenzie Ralph
B: Sept. 24, 1929
M: Flora Jones (1954-10:)+
ReM: Gayle Payne (1979)

Polly Ann Ralph
B: Aug. 24, 1961
Jeff David Ralph
M: (Nelson)
No. of children: 4

Helen Ralph
M: (Render)

Herbert Ralph

Fred Ralph

Mary Nelson Ralph
Sylvester Aaron Ralph and his wife, Raphel (Park) Ralph, reside in Hartford. He retired from the State Highway Dept. in 1974, and at one time owned and farmed his father's farm, known as the Henry Wise Ralph farm, located near the Sunnydale Community.
John B. Ralph (a self-employed farmer in Ohio Co. (Magan))
B: Apr. 29, 1861
D: Apr. 19, 1893
M: (wife unknown)
No. of children: ? (I known)

Henry Allen Ralph (a self-employed blacksmith in Hartford, Ohio Co., Ky.)
B: Jan. 1, 1882
D: June 12, 1973
M: (unknown)
No. of children: ? (I known)

Arval Allen Ralph
B: Sept. 26, 1907
D: May 5, 1951
M: (unknown)
No. of children: ? (I known)

Arval Howard Ralph
B: 1931
D:
M: (unknown)
No. of children: 3 sons

Howard Allen Ralph  Barry Wayne Ralph  Tony Dale Ralph
Son of John L. Ralph, Sr. & Elizabeth (McClain) Ralph

James Marion Ralph & wife, Sally Mary (Moseley) Ralph
B: Nov. 25, 1837
D: Apr. 12, 1916
Lsp: 79 yrs.
No. of children: 6
The picture of James Marion Ralph and his wife, Sally Mary (Moseley) Ralph, was made possible through the courtesy of Mrs. James Columbus Ralph, 107 Frederica St., Hartford, Ky.
HUSBAND: James Marion Ralph
B: Nov. 25, 1837.
D: Apr. 12, 1916.
His father: John L. Ralph, Sr.
His mother's maiden name: Elizabeth McClain
WIFE: Sally Mary Moseley
B: Oct. 4, 1848.
D: Jan. 24, 1915.
No. of children: 6
Names & information about their 6 children listed below:

1. Mary Lee Ralph
   B: (date unknown)
   D: ( " " )
   M: Sam Greer

2. Reat Polk Ralph
   B: (date unknown)
   D: ( " " )
   M: Melissa Taylor
No. of children: 2
Names of children are:
   1. James Everett Ralph (B: May 3, 1906)
      (M: Hazel Russell) (See pages
   2. Alford Taylor Ralph (B: Aug. 19, 1908)
      (M: Dimple Greer) (See pages

3. Addie Ralph
   B: (date unknown)
   D: ( " " )
   (never married—died young)

4. Minta Barbara Ralph
   B: (date unknown)
   D: ( " " )
   M: (Patton)

5. Narcissus Ralph
   B: (date unknown)
   D: ( " " ) (died young)

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6. John C. Ralph  
   B: Aug. 30, 1864.  
   D: June 26, 1928.  
   M: Minnie E. Rhoads (B: Mar. 23, 1870 - D: Feb. 1934)  
   No. of children: 3  
   Names & information about their 3 children listed below:  
   I. Oma Ralph  
      B: Aug. 5, 1893.  
      M: Wid Taul on Aug. 17, 1910-20:  
   
   2. Dona Ralph  
      B: Sept. 5, 1895.  
      M: Warren Poore on Dec. 16, 1923-26:  
   
   3. James Columbus Ralph  
      B: Nov. 19, 1900.  
      D: July 11, 1979.  
      M: Ruth Vanoe (B: July 22, 1904)  
      No. of children: 4  
      Names & information about their 4 children below:  
      I. Mattie Ruth Ralph  
         B: July 8, 1926.  
         M: Clarence M. Phillips on June 15, 1945-50:  
   
   2. Annetta Rae Ralph  
      B: Jan. 30, 1929.  
      D: Oct. 8, 1938.  
   
   3. John C. Ralph  
      B: July 2, 1931.  
      M: Barbara Millwood  
      No. of children: 5  
      Names & birthdates of their 5 children are:  
      1. Theresa Elaine (Ralph) Powers (B: Oct. 17, 1953)  
      2. Deborah Ann Ralph (B: Feb. 15, 1955)  
      3. Michael Dennis Ralph (B: Sept. 24, 1956)  
      4. Brenda Sue Ralph (B: Dec. 18, 1959)  
      5. James Mathew Ralph (B: Dec. 6, 1965)  
   
   4. James Duff Ralph  
      B: Dec. 25, 1934.  
      M: Margaret Burnett on Aug. 20, 1955.  
      No. of children: 2  
      Names & birthdates of children are:  
      1. Robert Waldo Ralph  
      2. Nancy Alice Ralph  
Mary Lee Ralph  
M: Sam Greer

Reat Polk Ralph  
M: Melissa Taylor  
No. of children: 2  
See page 185E-185J

John C. Ralph  
B: Aug. 30, 1864  
D: June 26, 1928  
M: Minnie E. Rhoads  
No. of children: 3  
See page 185K-185Q

Addie Ralph  
(never married)  
(died young of TB.)

Minta Barbara Ralph  
M: Patton

Narcissus Ralph  
(died young)
Son of James Marion Ralph & Sally Mary (Moseley) Ralph

Reat Polk Ralph
B: (date unknown)
M: Melissa Taylor
The picture of Reat Polk Ralph was made possible through the courtesy of Mrs. James Columbus Ralph, IO7 Frederica St, Hartford, Ky.
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Reat Polk Ralph
B: (date unknown)
D: "
M: Melissa Taylor
No. of children: 2

James Everett Ralph
B: May 3, 1906
M: Hazel Russell
No. of children: 2
See page I85H

Alfred Taylor Ralph
B: Aug. 19, 1908
M: Dimple Greer
No. of children: 3
See page I85J & I86
James Everett Ralph
B: May 3, 1906
M: Hazel Russell
No. of children: 2

Barbara Jean Ralph
B: Feb. 1, 1930

Verna Mae Ralph
B: Aug. 29, 1933
Alfred Taylor Ralph
B: Aug. 19, 1908
M: Dimple Greer
No. of children: 3

Velva Gertrude Ralph
B: May 11, 1925

Henry Rudolph Ralph
B: Feb. 2, 1930

Donna Fay Ralph
B: Dec. 29, 1945
Son of James Marion Ralph & Sally Mary (Moseley) Ralph

John C. Ralph
B: Aug. 30, 1864
D: June 26, 1928
M: Minnie E. Rhoads
The picture of John C. Ralph was made possible through the courtesy of Mrs. James Columbus Ralph, 107 Frederica St. Hartford, Ky.
(Brought forward from pg. I85D)

John C. Ralph
B: Aug. 30, 1864
D: June 26, 1928
M: Minnie E. Rhoads
No. of children: 3

Oma Ralph
B: Aug. 5, 1893
D: Dec. 1980
M: Wid Taul

Dona Ralph
B: Sept. 5, 1895
M: Warren Poore

James Columbus Ralph
B: Nov. 19, 1900
D: July 11, 1979
M: Ruth Vance
No. of children: 4
See page I85N-I85Q
James Columbus Ralph
B: Nov. 19, 1900
D: July 11, 1979
M: Ruth Vance
No. of children: 4

Mattie Ruth Ralph
B: July 8, 1926
M: Clarence Phillips

Annetta Rae Ralph
B: Jan. 30, 1929
D: Oct. 8, 1938

John C. Ralph
B: July 2, 1931
M: Barbara Millwood
No. of children: 5
See page I85P

James Duff Ralph
B: Dec. 25, 1934
M: Margaret Burnett
No. of children: 2
See page I85Q
Son of John C. Ralph & Minnie E. Rhoads

James Columbus Ralph
B: Nov. 19, 1900 - D: July 11, 1979
M: Ruth Vance - 4C:
This picture was taken about yr. 1965 on his retirement from the Universal Oil Products Co. of Des Plaines, Ill.
John C. Ralph
B: July 2, 1931
M: Barbara Millwood
No. of children: 5

James Mathew Ralph
B: Dec. 6, 1965

Brenda Sue Ralph
B: Dec. 18, 1959

Michael Dennis Ralph
B: Sept. 24, 1956

Deborah Ann Ralph
B: Feb. 15, 1955
M: (Powers)

Theresa Elaine Ralph
B: Oct. 17, 1953
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James Duff Ralph
B: Dec. 25, 1934
M: Margaret Burnett
No. of children: 2

Robert Waldo Ralph
B: Sept. 30, 1956
M: Jill Benson

Nancy Alice Ralph
B: Dec. 7, 1957
HUSBAND: James Everett Ralph
Born: May 3, 1906 in Ohio County
Married: Sept. 19, 1925 in Daviess County
His Father: Reat Polk Ralph
His Mother: Malissa Taylor
Wife: Hazel Russell
Born: Nov. 21, 1910 in Ohio County
Died: Oct. 3, 1958 in Ohio County
Her Father: Frank T. Russell
Her Mother: Lizie Mae Ralph
Names and Birth dates of Children:
Barbara Jean Ralph....Born Feb. 1, 1930 In Ohio County
Verna Mae Ralph........Born Aug. 29, 1933 in Ohio County

HUSBAND: Alford Taylor Ralph
Born: Aug. 19, 1906 in Ohio County
Married: June 1924 in Ohio County
His Father: Reat Polk Ralph
His Mother: Melissa Taylor
Wife: Dimple Greer
Born: Jan. 17, 1909 in Ohio County
Her Father: Calman Henry Greer
Her Mother: Neel Westerfield
Names and Birth dates of Children:
Velva Gertrude Ralph....Born May 11, 1925 In Ohio Co.
Henry Rudolph Ralph.....Born Feb. 2, 1930 in Ohio Co.
Donna Fay Ralph.........Born Dec. 29, 1945 in St. of Ind.

HUSBAND: Henry Rudolph Ralph
Born: Feb. 2, 1930 in Ohio County
His Father: Alford Taylor Ralph
His Mother: Dimple Greer
Wife: Anna Catherine Nance
Born: Sept. 3, 1932 in Ohio County
Her Father: Ellis Nance
Her Mother: Lorene Daugherty
Name and Birth dates of Children:
Cathy Lynne Ralph...Born June 6, 1955 in Daviess County
HUSBAND: Allen P. Ralph  
Born: Nov. 29, 1897 in Ohio Co.  
Married: Sept. 26, 1918 in Ohio Co.  
His father:  
His mother:  
WIFE: Gertrude Taylor  
Born: April 26, 1888 in Ohio Co.  
Her father: Frank Taylor  
Her mother: Eliza Crowe  

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HUSBAND: George Henry Ralph  
Born: Dec. 1, 1920 in Ohio Co.  
Married: May 29, 1943 in Jefferson Co.  
His father: Lawrence Ralph  
His mother: Jannie Edge  
WIFE: Mary Bernice Burch  
Born: Aug. 29, 1921 in Dav. Co.  
Her father: Clement Albert Burch  
Her mother: Mamie Ellen Edge  
No. of children: 2  
Names of children:  
Kenneth Wayne Ralph, B: Aug. 29, 1946 in Jeff. Co.  
Gerald Lee Ralph, B: Oct. 26, 1947  

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HUSBAND: Ernest B. Ralph  
Born: Feb. 16, 1912 in Ohio Co.  
Married: Feb. 20, 1934 in Ohio Co.  
His father: James Henry Ralph  
His mother: Lula D. Russell  
WIFE: Mary Helen Sharp  
Born: Mar. 18, 1917 in Ohio Co.  
Her father: C.W. Sharp  
Her mother: Verna Renfrow  
Name and birthdates of children:  

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William Thomas Ralph ("Long Will")
B: Oct. 8, 1818
D: Apr. 20, 1888
M: Sharlett Powers (B: 1815, D: 1898)
No. of children: 5

Nancy Jane Ralph
M: E. P. Moseley
II C:

Amanda E. Ralph
M: Rev. Will Ford
3 C:

John William Ralph
M: Suddie Brand
6 C:

Martha Vitula Ralph
M: Dilliance P. Moseley
7 C:
See pg. 191

Charles Daniel Ralph
B: June 21, 1847
D: Jan. 22, 1892
M: Mildred Ann Hoover
1 C:

Charles Ditzler Ralph
See pg. 191

Alice Ralph
M: A. C. (Pete) Kelly

Suddie Ralph

Nettie Ralph
(never married)

Orella Ralph
B: June 17, 1875
(twin to Estelle)
(never married)

Estelle Ralph
B: June 17, 1875
(twin to Orella)
M: Henry Wise Ralph
See page 172
(Died young of tuberculosis)
Photo on page 189

McKenzie Ralph
(He never married)
(Died young of tuberculosis)
Daughter of — [John William Ralph & Suddie (Brand) Ralph]

Estelle Ralph (School Teacher) (had red hair)
B: 1875... D: 1906... Lsp: 31 yrs.
(A granddaughter of William T. Ralph ("Long Will"), and wife of Henry Wise Ralph, and mother of Wendell Ralph.)
The picture of Estelle Ralph was made possible through the courtesy of Mrs. Wendell (Josephine) Ralph of 120 Mulberry Ct., Hartford, Ky.
(Brought forward from pg. I88)

Charles Ditzler Ralph, Sr.
B: Oct. 16, 1883
D: Nov. 12, 1951
M: Mary Lena Pardon

Melvina Elizabeth Ralph
B: April 7, 1914
M: Charles O. Monohan

Charles Ditzler Ralph
B: Nov. 5, 1917
M: Mary Gray Griffin

Louise Mitchell Ralph
B: Oct. 6, 1943
M: Prentiss Porter Douglas III.

Charles Mason Ralph
B: Nov. 5, 1948
As I mentioned in the first part of this book, I have, on several occasions, talked with Mr. Malcome Russell Moseley of Whitesville, Ky., to obtain information on some of the older Ralph's. Mr. Moseley is a great grandson of William Thomas Ralph ("Long Will") & Sharlett (Powers) Ralph. Below is a lineage diagram from William Thomas Ralph ("Long Will") down to Malcome Russell Moseley.
This is a copy of the Deed made by the Wm. T. Ralph heirs for
the "Knob" Cemetery where Wm. T. Ralph and his family are buried.
I have typed this from the copy of the original handwritten Deed
which is entered on page 194-197, just in case you are unable to
read the faint handwriting.

Deed Book #9 Ohio Co. pg.44-45
Be it remembered or known to all men by these presents that we
the undersigned heirs of Wm. T. Ralph, Deceased, do hereby deed
and convey to Wm. T. Ralph, his family, relatives, and friends,
the following described property, viz: One lot or parcel of
ground, in Ohio County, Ky., and on the original farm of Wm. T.
Ralph, Deceased, on a Knob on the north edge of Panther Creek
bottoms, bounded as follows: Beginning at a stone in the line
between Wm. T. Ralph and D. D. Burks, with a black gum and black
oak marked as pointers thence with said line a little East of
South 50 yards to a stone with a red elm and hickory shrub as
pointers, thence W. 50 yards to a stone, thence a little W. of
North 35 yards to a stone, thence Easterly to the beginning,
being ½ acre more or less, to be kept, used and maintained as
a burying ground forever, with 15 feet along said Ralph and
Burk's line from the above lot to the Hartford and Hawsville
road to be used for a road to and from the same. Whereunto we
have set our hands and signatures this the 23rd. day of April
in the year of our lord 1888. Signed: Charlotte Ralph her X,
E. P. Moseley and Nancy J. Moseley, John W. Ralph and Susan J.
Ralph, Dillis P. Moseley and Martha V. Moseley, Chas. D. Ralph
and Milly A. Ralph, Wm. F. Ford and Amanda E. Ford.

State of Kentucky,
County of Ohio, } Scb.
I, Wm. F. Ford, Deputy Clerk of the County Court of Ohio County,
KY., do hereby certify that the heirs of Wm. T. Ralph, Deceased,
Charlotte Ralph, E. P. Moseley, Nancy J. Moseley, J. W. Ralph,
Susan J. Ralph, Dillis P. Moseley, Martha V. Moseley, Charles
D. Ralph, Milly A. Ralph, Wm. F. Ford and Amanda E. Ford, I
being one appeared before me in my County and acknowledged the
foregoing to be their free deed and act, and wished the same
to go to record, this the 23rd. day of April in the year of
our Lord, 1888.

T. J. Smith, Clerk
By Wm. F. Ford, D.C.

State of Kentucky,
County of Ohio,  } Scb.
I, T. J. Smith, Clerk of the Ohio County Court, do certify that
the foregoing Deed was on this day lodged in my office for
record, whereupon I have recorded it, with the foregoing and
this certificate in my said office.
Witness my hand, this the 4th. day of June 1888.

T. J. Smith, Clerk
Be it remembered or known to all men by these presents that we the undersigned heirs of Wm. T. Ralph deceased, do hereby deed and convey to Wm. T. Ralph, his family, relations, and friends the following described property, viz: One lot or parcel of ground, lying in Ohio County, Ky, and on the original farm of Wm. T. Ralph deceased, on a Knob on the north edge of Panther Creek bottom, bounded as follows: Beginning at a stone in the line between Wm. T. Ralph and D. D. Burks, with a black gum and black oak marked as pointers, thence with said line a little East of South 50 yards to a stone with a red elm and hickory shrub as pointers.

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thereon W 50 yards to a stone, thence a little W. of North 35 yards to a stone, thence Easterly to the beginning; being 1/2 acre more or less, to be kept, used and maintained as a burying ground forever with 15 feet along said Ralph and Burk's line from the above lot to the Hartford and Washingtonville road to be used for a road to and from the same. Whereunto we have set our hands and signatures this the 23d day of April in the year of our Lord 1888. Signed: Charlotte Ralph, E. P. Moseley and Nancy J. Moseley, John W. Ralph and Susanna J. Ralph, Willis P. Moseley and Martha W. Moseley, Chas. H. Ralph and Willy A. Ralph, Wm. T. Ford and Amanda E. Ford

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State of Kentucky, (Oct.
County of Ohio. I
I. W. F. Ford, Deputy Clerk of the
County Court of Ohio, hereby certify that the heirs of
E. P. Moreley, Nancy J. Moreley, J. W.
Ralph, Susan J. Ralph, Willis P. Moreley
Martha V. Moreley, Charles W. Ralph
Willy A. Ralph, Wm. F. Ford and Annie
da E. Ford, I being one appeared be
fore me in my County and acknow-
dledged the foregoing to be their free
deed and act, and wished the same
to go to record, this the 23d. day of
April in the year of our Lord, 1888.
T. J. Smith, Clerk
By Wm. F. Ford, D. E.

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State of Kentucky, | 3rd, br,
County of Ohio, | Oct,
I, T. J. Smith, Clerk of the Ohio County
Court, do certify that the foregoing
Deed was on this day lodged in
my office for record, whereupon
I have recorded it, with the fore
going and this certificate in my
said office.
Witness my hand, this the 4th,
day of June 1888.

T. J. Smith, Clerk.
No. 1

Photo No. 1 shows the monument of Wm. T. Ralph ("Long Will")
B: Oct. 8, 1818
D: Apr. 20, 1888

No. 2

Photo No. 2 shows the monument of Charlotte Ralph (wife of Wm. T. Ralph)
B: Mar. 6, 1815
D: July 6, 1898

Photo No. 3 is a closeup of inscription on monument of Wm. T. Ralph, showing date of his birth and death.

Photos No. 4, 5 & 6 show different views of the "Knob" Cemetery.

No. 3

WILLIAM T. RALPH
Born Oct. 8, 1818
Died Apr. 20, 1888

No. 4

No. 5

No. 6
The photos of the monuments of Wm. T. Ralph and his wife, Charlotte Ralph, and the copy of the Deed to the "Knob" Cemetery were made possible through the courtesy of Mrs. James (Moseley) Stevenson, 840 Oleander Drive, S. E., Winter Haven, Florida, a great granddaughter of Wm. T. Ralph and Charlotte (Powers) Ralph.
This concludes my book which brings the record of our Ralph History up to date. I have left a 'Family Record' space in this book (pages 145-156) in hopes that you will continue this History by writing down the data on your family so that the generations that come after you will have a complete and up-to-date family record.