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FAMILIES

AND THREE OTHER STEWART CLANS
IN THE AREA

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DEDICATED TO THE THREE PERSONS WHO INFLUENCED ME TO WRITE THIS BOOK ON OUR STEWART FAMILY
MY GRANDMOTHER, SYLVIA B. STEWART BAKER
MY GREAT UNCLE, CHARLES W. STEWART
MY COUSIN, PEARL STEWART HALFIN
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PLACE NAME LOCATOR

DUNKARD TOWNSHIP - Township in Southeast Greene County, Pa.

HUNDRED - Community in Church District, Wetzel County, W. Va.

MORGANTOWN - County Seat of Monongalia County, W. Va.

POINT MARION - Town in extreme Southwest Fayette County, Pa. at the junction of the Monongahela and Cheat Rivers.

ROUND BOTTOM - Near Hundred, W. Va.

STEWARTSTOWN - Small community in Union District, Monongalia County, W. Va.

UNIONTOWN - County Seat of Fayette Co., Pa.
INTRODUCTION

This volume has been produced in order that the members of our Stewart Family will know their heritage, from whom they descend, and who they are related to. Our family is unusual in the fact that good records have been kept on the descendants of Daniel and Rebecca Stewart. This is in part due to our annual family reunion that has kept many of us in close contact over the years. Over 750 descendents are listed in this volume.

In the 1920's Charles W. Stewart, grandson of Daniel and Rebecca Stewart, made an extensive investigation into the Stewart Families who lived in the Stewartstown, West Virginia and Point Marion, Pennsylvania area. At that time many people believed there were three separate Stewart Families living in the area that had no relationship to one another. His research proved that there were in fact two different families. One family was the Stewarts who descended from the Stewart brothers who settled Stewartstown, and our family who originally settled in Greene County, Pennsylvania. Later research indicates there are several other unrelated Stewart groups in Greene County. There are some Stewarts who are actually related in half relationships to both of the families through the marriage of Elizabeth Davis Blosser and Fedellas Stewart. In later years there was intermarriage among the families. It was Charles W. Stewart's research and the papers he left behind that attracted my interest in renewing research on the family. In the 1960's I updated the information on several branches. Over the period of the last several years I have brought up to date all the information collected earlier. I also collected data on the earlier generations of the family. Extensive contacts were made with family members to collect the photographs used in this book. It should be noted that Clifford Hoard of Hoard, West Virginia did considerable research on the Stewarts also in preparation of his book on the Blosser Family.

I would like to report that I got cooperation from all members of the family, but this is not true. Several families that I contacted for information would not, or could not, furnish the needed material. A number of people did not even reply to my letters. Several relations were contacted that had never even heard of the Stewart Family. There were also several people I have been unable to locate.

I would like to thank all the members of the family who have cooperated with me in this venture. Several have spent considerable time looking up information and answering my questions. To those helpful cousins a hearty THANK YOU.

The cost of this volume will not reap me any profit. It will only pay for the actual cost of the production of this book.

The method used for following descent is very simple. Each child of Daniel and Rebecca Stewart has a separate chapter. Their children are listed under them in underlined capital letters and their children in numerical and letter sequence under them as follows:
I believe that after you have read over this history you will be proud of the Stewarts. Our family members have many diversified backgrounds and now live in all parts of our country. A significant number still reside in our home territory of Western Pennsylvania and Northern West Virginia. Large groups also live in Ohio and Michigan.

Professions of all types are represented in the family. Farmers, coal miners, factory workers, professional soldiers, preachers, teachers, government workers, doctors and many many more.

Hopefully, this book will be error free, but that is nearly impossible. If you do note an error or have information that will update this book please contact me.

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DANIEL STEWART FAMILY TREE

Jeremiah Stewart

Daniel Stewart SR.
1799-1876

Christian Cowell
Died 1815

Phoebe Cowell
Died 1848

Mary Hufty

Daniel Stewart
1825-1887

James Huggans
Died 1807

Rachel Huggans
1802-1873

Nancy
George Blosser
1798-1833

Catherine Clemmer
Died 1832

Rebecca Blosser
1831-1903

Elizabeth Davis
1799-1865
PART I EARLY HISTORY OF THE STEWARTS

THE ORIGIN OF THE STEWART NAME

The surname Stewart is one of the most widespread in Scotland. There are few districts with which it has not been associated, at one time or another, from Orkney Islands in the north to Galloway in the south.

There are four ways of spelling the surname - Stewart, Steuart, Stuart and Steward.

In Old English the original word Stiward came from the older Stigeweard or Styward, or one who looked after the domestic animals. This eventually evolved to one who provided for his master's table. By the eleventh century the word had come to mean one who superintended the household affairs of another, and was therefore a title of honor. In Scotland the Steward was not only chief of the royal household, but his powers extended to the collection and management of the crown revenues, to the administration of justice, and in time of war he took first place in the Army next to the king.

The Scottish royal family of Stewarts were descended from the Stewards of the earlier Scottish kings. In 1315 Walter the Sixth Steward married Marjory, daughter of King Robert Bruce. She bore to him a son, Robert, afterward Robert II, first of the royal line of Stewarts, crowned in 1371.

Many people imagine that all persons bearing the name Stewart are of royal descent, but it must be borne in mind that there were stewards and stewards, as King James VI emphasized when he said that all Stewarts were not "sib" to the king. Every bishop, every earl had his steward, who in own particular domain was simply "John the Steward."

The surname Stywarde has been found in Scottish charters dated as early as 1296.

It is doubtful that our Stewarts descend from anyone of the royal blood. It is likely we descend from an ancestor who centuries ago was a Steward for some higher ranking person.

Today, people delight in buying coats of arms to display in their homes. They enjoy boasting about these coats of arms to their relatives and friends and describe how they must descend from some ancient king or prince. Today, only a few people can truly say that they are legally entitled to a coat of arms. As far as I can determine our Stewart are not entitled to one and therefore none will be displayed in this book.

At present I cannot even truthfully say when our first Stewart ancestor arrived in America from Scotland. The record begins with our earliest known ancestor, Jeremiah Stewart of Greene County, Pennsylvania.
Our earliest known Stewart ancestor was Jeremiah Stewart, of whom we know very little.

Howard L. Leckey in Volume VII of his book, *THE TENMILE COUNTRY AND ITS PIONEER FAMILIES*, gives the family records of four Stewart brothers, James, Hezekiah, Daniel and Isaac. It was Mr. Leckey's belief that these four brothers were descendants of one Daniel Stewart, an Indian Trader, who held a traders license from Pennsylvania in 1742. Mr. Leckey did not present any proof of this connection in his book. So whether he had actual proof or was making an educated guess is not known.

Our Jeremiah Stewart falls into the same age group of these four brothers and there is some belief that he may have been a brother to them. One hint of this connection is found in an interview made in 1927 by Charles W. Stewart with Sam N. Conner, then 84 years of age and brother-in-law of our Daniel Stewart. Sam said that Ruston Stewart, a monument (tombstone) worker of Blacksville, West Virginia, was a relative. This Ruston Stewart was a grandson of Isaac Stewart, one of the four Stewart brothers. This is the only information I have found that connects Jeremiah to these other Stewarts.

About the same period four other Stewarts, James, John, Daniel and Charles patented a piece of land called "Stewarts Defeat" in what is now Dunkard Township, Greene County, Pennsylvania. I have not found anything that connects Jeremiah to these Stewarts.

Jeremiah Stewart married Phoebe Cowell, daughter of Christian and Mary Cowell of Greene County. The exact date of the marriage is unknown. If you go by Phoebe's tombstone she was born in 1784. Apparently the marriage was not a happy one because on March 25, 1820 Phoebe applied for a divorce. In her application she stated she and Jeremiah lived together for 14 years. The divorce became final on October 22, 1820. How long they were separated before the divorce action was taken is not known.

Sam Connor in his 1927 interview confirms his wife's grandparents "parted." Sam was a little confused on the names in the interview and referred to Jeremiah as Daniel. Sam went on to say that Jeremiah and Phoebe lived between Jefferson and Carmichaels, Pennsylvania. He said that after parting Jeremiah moved to Ohio and remarried. He had children by his second wife, whose name Sam did not know. Jeremiah died and buried in Ohio.

In the 1840 census of Monroe County, Ohio a Jer Stewart is found living in Green Township. He is listed as being between 60 - 70 years of age. A female in the same household is listed as being between 30 - 40 years of age. Jer is an old nickname for Jeremiah or Jerry.

Another Jeremiah Stewart is found in the 1850 census of Ohio Township, Monroe County, Ohio. He is listed as 67 years of age and a shoemaker. A 27 year old female named Ruth and a 9 year old male named George was in the same household.

Phoebe Stewart also remarried a second time. She married a man named Crumpston. (Mrs. Dorothy Hennen believed it was Henry Crumpston.) She is buried in Garards Fort Cemetery and her tombstone states "Phoebe Crumpston, formerly Phoebe Stewart, wife of Jeremiah Stewart, d. Jan. 27, 1848 aged 64 years." There is no record to indicate she had children by her second marriage. She did not leave a will.
A Jeremiah Stewart is found in the 1800 Census of Whitley Township, Greene County, Pennsylvania. He is listed as being between 26 and 45. His wife is also in the same age bracket and there is another female listed under 10 years of age. We also find two bills of sale for Jeremiah Steward of Whitley Township. The first dated September 6, 1800 in which he sells to Rebecca Steward, widow, several items including a sorral mare, a pot, saddle and bridle, and an ox team. The second bill of sale, dated January 16, 1802, Jeremiah Steward sold to John Burkheimer, for $100.00 a parcel of land in Whitley Township containing 100 acres. In neither of these bills of sale is a wife mentioned, so I'm really not sure this is our Jeremiah. Also the age of the female in the 1800 census would not fit Phoebe if she was actually 64 years old when she died in 1848.

THE CHILDREN OF JEREMIAH AND PHOEBE STEWART

The following list of the children of Jeremiah and Phoebe Stewart was compiled by Charles W. Stewart in the 1920's. I have no idea where he obtained this information or how accurate it is. Some of these names may have come from Sam Conner. The children are:

1. DANIEL STEWART SR., our ancestor, born May 10, 1799. See the chapter on Daniel Sr. for more information, especially concerning his birthdate.

2. HIRAM STEWART, born June 20, 1805. Nothing else is known, however, a Hiram B. Stewart is listed as executor of the will of Sarah Stewart, probated June 13, 1885, in Greene County. Whether this is the same Hiram or not is unknown.


4. JEREMIAH STEWART, born August 17, 1808. He lived in Dunkard Township at the time of his death, October 3, 1875. His wife's name was Anne. She was born March 6, 1806 and died August 9, 1879. Her parents are unknown. In Jeremiah's will dated June 8, 1875 he gave all his property to his wife, Anne and $25.00 to Keener graveyard for upkeep. In Anne's will dated April 30, 1879 she gave to nephew, Daniel Stewart, $100.00, to nephew, Hiram Estel, $50.00 and balance to Catherine Lion. Jeremiah was commissioned a Justice of the Peace of Greene Township in April 9, 1850 by William F. Johnson, Govenor of Pennsylvania. Jeremiah and Anne apparently had no children. Both are buried in Keener graveyard. The Daniel Stewart mentioned in Anne's will is our Daniel. When Daniel and Rebecca Stewart lived in Greene County they lived next to Jeremiah and Anne.

5. CHARLES STEWART. Nothing else known.

6. SARY (SARAH) STEWART. According to the records of Charles W. Stewart she was born March 4, 1828. This does not seem possible unless she was born of Jeremiah Stewart's second marriage. A will for a Sarah Stewart was probated in Greene County on June 13, 1885, with Hiram B. Stewart executor. This may be the same Sarah.

6. WILLIAM STEWART. Sam Conner in his 1927 interview said this was another child and he "drowned himself at the mouth of Indian Creek at Everettsville, West Virginia." Nothing else known.
Daniel Stewart was the oldest son of Jeremiah and Phoebe Stewart. For clarity he will be referred to as Daniel Sr. in this book. This will distinguish him from his son, Daniel, our ancestor, who settled in Stewartstown.

According to the records of Charles W. Stewart, Daniel Stewart Sr. was born May 10, 1799. He was probably born in Greene County, Pa.

Four separate records have been found on the birth and death date of Daniel Sr and his wife, Rachel. The four are Charles W. Stewart's records, the 1870 census, the tombstone in Whites Cemetery and an old handwritten record found in the Thomas D. Stewart bible. As you can see by the chart each of the four has a different date for Daniel's birth and three different dates for Rachel's birth.

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I do not know where Charles W. Stewart obtained his dates.

It would be foolish to try and guess which one of the above dates are correct. Daniel could not read or write so perhaps he just had a vague idea of his birth date.

Daniel Stewart Sr. married on September 2, 1821 to Rachel Huggans, daughter of James and Nancy Huggans. They were married near what is now Van Vorris in Monongalia County, W. Va. Census records indicate Rachel was born in Pennsylvania, probably Greene County. There is confusion on her correct birth and death dates also, as you can see by the above chart.

A search of deeds in Greene County, Pennsylvania and Monongalia County, West Virginia do not show any entries for Daniel Sr. and Rachel Stewart. It must be presumed they did not own any property. Daniel Sr. is listed in the
1870 census as a farm laborer and that is probably what he was all of his life. Rachel Stewart is mentioned in several Greene County deeds concerning the settlement of her father's estate.

By studying the birth places of their children it is evident the Stewarts moved several times. Anne was born at Bald Hill, Pennsylvania, John E. at Dinner Rock on Dunkard Creek and Emelina and Jeremiah, twins, at Mount Morris, Pennsylvania. One interesting story about the birth of John E. Stewart is that he was born in an old log house at Dinner Rock on Dunkard Creek while the family was moving from Pennsylvania to West Virginia.

It is impossible to determine just how long Daniel Sr. and Rachel lived in any one place. Their final years were in Wetzel County, West Virginia. In the 1870 census they are found in Church District in that county. Daniel's occupation is listed as farm laborer. His personal estate was listed at $100.00. He had no real estate. Daniel was listed as dwelling house and family number 65. His oldest son, Thomas D. Stewart, as number 66 and son-in-law, Sam Conner as number 67. Their post office was Burton, West Virginia.

Rachel died either July 7, 1872 or July 7, 1873. Daniel died either on December 26 or 28, 1876. (His tombstone says December 29, 1875.) Both are buried in Whites Cemetery near a spot called Maple in Monongalia County, West Virginia. This small cemetery is on the side of a hill overlooking a small creek. Mrs. Kathryn Roscoe, granddaughter of Jack Stewart, guided me to this cemetery on September 15, 1975. The cemetery is fenced in and the grass kept cut. The surrounding area is pasture land. Nearby is a restored log house that belonged to the White family. The Stewart tombstone is in remarkably good condition. Just why Daniel and Rachel are buried in this cemetery is a puzzle. They are the only Stewarts in the cemetery. My only guess would be they lived very close by and were good friends of the Whites.
Daniel and Rachel Stewart had thirteen children that we have a record of. They are:

1. Thomas David Stewart, born June 20, 1822, died February 8, 1892.
2. Solomon Stewart, born November 21, 1823, died July 18, 1904.
3. Daniel Stewart, born August 13, 1825, died November 8, 1887.
5. Rachel Stewart, born February 22, 1833, died 1907.
6. Anne Stewart, born December 9, 1834, died October 11, 1909.
7. Margaret Stewart, born January 7, 1835, died November 28, 1894.
12. Ricey Stewart, born August 17, 1846, died August 17, 1846.
13. George Ira Stewart, born March 10, 1848, died October 10, 1849.

A separate section is devoted to the first eleven children, each of whom married and had families. Most of the records on these children were collected in the 1920's by Charles W. Stewart and they may contain a few errors.

**THOMAS DAVID STEWART**

Thomas David Stewart was born June 20, 1822. He married Mary McNeel, daughter of David McNeel on March 27, 1845 near Point Marion. Mary was born March 25, 1827 and died January 18, 1900. Thomas lived in Western Monongalia County and Wetzel County, West Virginia prior to finally settling near New Martinsville, West Virginia. Thomas and Mary had thirteen children, but only four survived childhood. These four were:


2. Mary Jane Stewart, born August 11, 1855 near Wadestown, W.Va. She married Archibald Harker on February 26, 1872. They had nine children, William, Della, James, Mary, Sadie, Francis, Curtiss, Lucy and Georgia. Eloise McCoy, daughter of Lucy Harker has the old Thomas D. Stewart family bible in which the pictures of Daniel Sr. and Rachel Stewart were found.
3. William P. Stewart, born October 10, 1866 at Round Bottom, W.Va. He married Mary Margaret Liston on July 12, 1884. She was a daughter of Allan and Sarah Liston. They had five children, Blanch, Dora, Grover, Rhea and William.

4. Rhoda Stewart, born October 30, 1869 at Round Bottom, W.Va. She married in 1884 to Isaac Blairs. They lived in Akron, Ohio.

SOLOMON STEWART

Solomon Stewart was born November 21, 1823 in Greene County, Pa. He married in 1846 or 1847 to Elizabeth Pearson. Elizabeth was born in 1824. In 1862 Solomon enlisted in the Union Army in Company E, 14th West Virginia Volunteer Infantry. He served the duration of the war and later received a pension for a disability he received. Elizabeth died in 1887. Solomon married the second time to Charlotte Owen. Solomon lived in Tyler County, W.Va. near Josephs Mill. He was a farmer by occupation. Solomon died July 18, 1904 and is buried at Beechwood Cemetery near Centerville, W.Va. Solomon and Elizabeth Stewart had five children.

1. Jeremiah Stewart, buried at Bald Hill, Greene County, Pa.
2. William Henry Stewart, born June 24, 1850 and died November 21, 1920. He married Rhoda Moore and had seven children, Albert, Rolly, Charles, Clyde, Bertha, Lenna, and Blanch. Lenna is the person who lent me the original picture of Solomon for use in this book.
3. Lorenzo Dow Stewart, born October 5, 1857, and died December 25, 1914. He married twice, first to Mary Stull and second to Emma Kennedy.
4. John Wesley Stewart, born January 24, 1859. He married to Mary Ellen Moore. He was blind and was known as the "Blind Poet." He published several books of poetry. He had one son, Archie.
5. Mary Elizabeth Stewart, born June 22, 1862. She had one son, Columbus.

DANIEL STEWART

This is our ancestor. See his chapter.

PHOEBE STEWART ROBERTS

Phoebe Stewart was born August 15, 1827. She married Singleton Roberts, son of Amos Roberts. Singleton was born in Maryland. He served in the Civil War from 1861 to 1865 in Company A, 168th Infantry. The Roberts lived in Jefferson, Pa. Singleton died December 31, 1900 and Phoebe May 30, 1917. They had six children.


5. Kate Roberts, married William Hitchen.


ANNA STEWART STONEKING

Anna Stewart was born December 9, 1834 at Bald Hill, Pa. She married March 17, 1853 to Benjamin Stoneking. Ben was born March 30, 1835. They lived near Carmichaels, Pa. Both are buried in Glades Cemetery in Carmichaels. Anna and Ben had twelve children, two of whom died in infancy.

1. Emmaline Stoneking, born January 13, 1854 and died April 4, 1901. She married Polk Wilson and they lived near Uniontown. They had one daughter, Bertha.

2. Rachel Matilda Stoneking, born April 21, 1855 and died October 1, 1857.

3. Josphus Stoneking, born in 1856 or 1857. He died September 8, 1922. He was married to Mary Ann Cannon. They had one daughter, Eva Alice who married James L. Griffin.

4. Louisa Stoneking, born June 31, 1858, died December 28, 1926. She married on April 5, 1878 to Jacob Ruse. They had seven children, Renia, Laura, Florence, Lloyd, Floyd, Ola and Arleigh.

5. Lavina Alice Stoneking, born September 9, 1860. She married Ezecial Pethel. He was born November 28, 1859 and died June 29, 1906. They had seven children, Matilda, Albert, Carwas, Minnie, Benjamin, Ollie and Jasper.

6. Buena Vista Stoneking, born September 3, 1862. She married Frank Ross and had one daughter, Amanda.

7. Louise Anne Stoneking, born April 9, 1865. She married August 16, 1884 to Milton E. Ruse. They had no children.


9. Minnie Jane Stoneking, born February 17, 1869. She married January 18, 1888 to Lee Miller. They had six children, Don, Fred, Elva, and Paul. There were also two sons who died at birth that were not named.

10. Dora May Stoneking, born January 21, 1874. She married Peter Reed in 1895. They had three children, Isa, George, and Homer.

RACHEL STEWART HORNER

Rachel Stewart was born February 22, 1833. She married to Hiram Horner, son of Thomas Horner. Hiram was born in 1823 and was killed in 1865. Rachel supported her family after Hiram's death by working for other people. On one occasion she received a ham for a week's work. Rachel and Hiram lived in Rice's Landing, Pa. and their four children were born there. Rachel died in 1907. For more information on the Horner family see the book, OUR HORNER ANCESTORS, by Virginia Horner Hines, 1974. One strong tradition that still lingers in this
family is the fact that Rachel was noted for her singing. Evidently this trait is strong in the Stewart family. The children were:

1. Harriett Horner, born January 27, 1854, died 1934. She married January 18, 1877 to Aaron G. Waters. He was born October 20, 1844 and died September 28, 1925. They had six children, Mary E., James M., Samuel A., Elmlira J. (Ella), Charlotte (Lottie), and Ethel L.

Ella Waters married October 20, 1902 to Jacob Gulentz (1872-1950). Ella was the oldest person in attendance at our 1976 Stewart Reunion. She was 95 years old. Her daughter, Mrs. Opal Murphy provided the following information on Ella and Jacob Gulentz's eight children.


2a. Harriett Opal Gulentz, born December 1, 1904. She married Donald B. Murphy (1907-1962). Opal has over 46 years experience in the teaching profession.

3a. Amelia Beryl Gulentz, born July 13, 1909. She married Merle L. Bell. They have one child, Leslie. Beryl has had wide experience in the educational field as a teacher and principal.

4a. John Aaron Waters Gulentz, born October 21, 1911, died March 31, 1972. He married Velma Bennett. John was school teacher, violinist and tool and die maker. They had two children, Robyn and Sidney.

5a. Coral May Gulentz, born May 31, 1913. She married Kenneth Wurzel. They have one son, Kenneth. Coral and Kenneth are both educators.

6a. Mary Elizabeth Gulentz, born March 26, 1915. She married Floyd R. Rowan. They have one son, Floyd. Mary is a elementary school principal.

7a. Lomis Jean Gulentz, born May 30, 1918. She married George Leidecker (deceased). They had one daughter, Deborah. She remarried to Joseph Woytovich. Lomis has been a school teacher for 25 years.


2. Rachel Horner, born in 1856 and died in 1920. She married George Waters on March 15, 1873. She married second to Abram Guseman. They had four children, Hiram, Herod, Myrtle and Elizabeth.

3. Maria Horner, born 1859, died November 14, 1891. She married Monroe Waters (some records say Samuel Waters.) They had three children, Serepta, Alice and Samuel.

MARGARET STEWART CRAGO

Margaret Stewart was born January 7, 1835 near Bald Hill, Pa. She married William Crago in 1843. He was the son of William and Catherine Murphy Crago. William was born September 24, 1882 and died June 8, 1912. Margaret died November 28, 1894. They are buried at Hewitts Cemetery at Rices Landing, Pa. They lived near Rices Landing. They had eight children.

1. Daniel Crago, born 1854, died 1863.

2. Malissa Crago, born March 29, 1856, died August 1894. She married Adam Crago on December 25, 1875. They moved to Kansas. There were two children, Earnest and Margaret.

3. Rachel Crago, born 1858 and died 1863.


5. James Crago, born March 2, 1862. He married October 26, 1882 to Louisa Rush. They had eleven children, Jacob, William, James, infant daughter, Daniel, Margaret, Brinton, Charlotte, Verna, Joseph and Leora.


7. Nancy Crago, born 1865, died 1888. She married Fordyce Crago and had two children, Clara, and Alta.

8. Margaret Ann Crago, born 1867, died 1884.

MATILDA ANN STEWART BURCH (OR BIRCH)

Matilda Ann Stewart was born April 11, 1838, probably in Greene County. She married Peter T. Lashley Burch (or Birch). Peter died in 1875. Matilda died June 9, 1910. We know very little on this family except they moved to Tyler County, West Virginia. They had five children that we know of.

1. Thomas Burch, may have been married twice and is believed to have lived in Ohio. His children were, Martha and Thomas.

2. Andrew Burch. He married Mariah Rogers and had six children, Martha, Mary, William, Amanda, Emma and Ida.


4. Amos Burch was born near Hundred. He married Minerva Jane Rogers. They had eight children, Emma, Sarah, Rachel, James, Reuben, Martha, Lenora, Martha, Caroline and Charlotte.

5. Frances M. Birch born May 28, 1869. She married a Hess.

JOHN ELZA STEWART

John Elza Stewart was born October 21, 1842. A family story related he was born while the family was moving from Pennsylvania to West Virginia. The family stopped for the night in an old log house near Dinner Rock on Dunkard Creek. Here John was born. After Mother and child were able to stand the trip they continued on to their new home. John married first on June 21, 1860 to Caroline Wright, daughter of Henry and Margaret Wright. She was born March 8, 1842 and died
March 24, 1882. After her death John married second on October 26, 1882 to Mary A. Fox. She died January 8, 1898. They had no children. John married third to Jane Calvert Rush and had two children. John served in the home guard in the Civil War. He was also one of the organizing members of the St. Lukes Christian Church near Moorsville, West Virginia. John died March 23, 1915. Altogether he had eleven children and all were born in Moorsville.

1. John Wesley Stewart, born January 12, 1861. He married June 12, 1881 to Almeda Rogers. John died in 1918. They had six children, Mary, Luther, Alva, John, Leonard and an infant daughter.

2. Mariah Stewart, born March 8, 1866. She married March 11, 1882 to George Fox. They had eleven children, Sada, Richard, Caroline, Mary Jane, Arley, Rutherford, William, Leah, Wilda, Audrey, and Frederick.

3. Margaret E. Stewart born May 15, 1867. She married William Wells on March 14, 1883. He was the son of Thomas and Eliza Wells and was born August 22, 1838 and died December 26, 1925. They had six children, John, Fenton, Mary, Samantha, George and Edna.


5. Mary Elizabeth Stewart, born April 28, 1872. She married February 15, 1890 to Lee C. Watkins, son of Jeremiah and Mary Watkins. They had six children, Harshal, James, Hallie, Walter, Sylvia and Lee.


7. Levi B. Stewart, born October 5, 1876. He married March 28, 1899 to Hester Ann Williard, daughter of Arch and Catherine Williard. They had five children, Walter, Clyde, Mary Jane, Jesse, and Lottie.

8. Sarah Jane Stewart, born May 21, 1879. She married February 4, 1901 to James L. Ashby. Sarah died January 28, 1906. There were three children, Gale, Roxie and Mary.


EMMALINE STEWART CONNER

Emmaline Stewart was born February 4, 1844 at Mount Morris, Pa. and was a twin of Jeremiah. The earliest set of twins we have record of in the Stewart Family. She married March 8, 1864 to Samuel Nelson Conner. Sam was born June 6, 1843. Sam served in the Union Army in the Civil War and claimed to have viewed the surrender of General Lee at Appomatix. The Conner Family lived in several locations in Monongalia.
and Wetzel Counties West Virginia and Greene County, Pennsylvania. Sam was interviewed by Charles W. Stewart in the 1920's and provided valuable information on the early history of the family. Emmaline died July 22, 1923. She is buried at Sand Hill Cemetery near Garrison, Pennsylvania. They had twelve children.

1. Rachel Rozella Conner, born July 22, 1866. She married on February 24, 1884 to Isaac Lough. They had nine children, Minnie Jacob, Verna, Nora, Mary, Dewey, Orange, Ruth and Archie.

2. Keziah Jane Conner, born January 4, 1868. She married three times to Frank Hughes, Hiram White, and William Taylor.


4. Elizabeth Mary Conner, born September 11, 1872. She married Stephen Fonder on January 19, 1894. They had twelve children, Bertha, Emmaline, Samuel, Clara, James, Albert, Thomas, Alice, Harry, Theodore, Raymond and Edward.


7. Thomas Columbus Conner, born February 25, 1877. He married January 1, 1908 to Bessie Holbrook.


9. Luther Lockwood Conner, born February 15, 1881. He married Eva Holbrook on November 15, 1905.


12. James Oscar Conner, born November 11, 1886. He married Mary Ellen Pierce on December 24, 1909. She was born February 22, 1889 the daughter of Isaac and Rose Rogers Pierce. They had seven children, Samuel, Homer, Isaac, Harold, Edward, James and Roy.

JEREMIAH STEWART

Jeremiah Stewart was born February 4, 1844, and was a twin to Emmaline. He married December 18, 1865 to Nancy K. Merriner, daughter of William Merriner. She was born March 4, 1909. They moved to Streator, Illinois after 1868. Jeremiah died February 13, 1913. They had three children all born in Hundred.

1. Lavina Alice Stewart, born August 18, 1865. She married Pierce Conner.

2. Daniel Stewart, born June 1, 1867. He married October 13, 1890 to Myrtle Nicholls. Dan died November 20, 1921 and is buried in Streator. They had seven children, Sylvia, Edna, Harold, Clifford, Ulah, Armand and Raymond.

3. William L. Stewart, born September 6, 1868. He married Minnie Strosnider. They had six children, Elmer, Emnise, Clarence, Kenneth, Mary and Russell.
Our knowledge of the life of Daniel and Rebecca Stewart basically comes from recollections of older members of the family. Sylvia Baker, Pearl Halfin and Effie Morris all gave me valuable information on their grandparents. As Daniel died in 1887 none of them could actually recall him. However, all three could recall stories and traditions told them by their parents about their grandfather. Rebecca died in 1903. Sylvia, Pearl and Effie all recalled her very well. Research of census and court records have also been helpful.

Daniel was the son of Daniel Sr. and Rachel Huggans Stewart. He was born August 13, 1825, probably in Greene County, Pennsylvania. As his parents moved frequently I never have been able to locate exactly his actual birthplace. However, I believe it was in Dunkard Township. Daniel’s early life was no doubt spent as all children in similar circumstances. He evidently
had little or no schooling, because he could only sign his name. Most of his early life was spent working to help the family survive. He assisted his father and older brothers in farming and whatever other work they could pick up.

Rebecca was the youngest child of George Oliver and Elizabeth Davis Blosser. She was born January 22, 1831 near Point Marion. She was only two years old when her father died in 1833. Although her mother remarried shortly afterward Rebecca evidently had a very hard childhood. Sylvia Baker, Pearl Halfin and Effie Morris all related they had heard stories told of her harsh life as a young girl. Although we cannot locate any proof of it now it appears she lived with several different families. They more or less treated her as an indentured servant. Her brothers and sisters may have suffered the same fate. Whether this was caused by her mothers poor circumstances or by her step-father, Fedellas Stewart, is unknown.

During this period of early childhood Rebecca became closely connected to the Methodist faith and the Eden Methodist Church. She remained a staunch member of the Eden Church throughout her life.

It was probably at a church function that Daniel and Rebecca met. Their courtship was, no doubt, short. On November 27, 1847 Daniel and Rebecca were married. More than likely the wedding took place at Eden church. Daniel was 22
years old and Rebecca was 16.

We do not know where they first took up housekeeping, except it was in Dunkard Township, Greene County, Pennsylvania.

In the 1850 census of Dunkard Township Daniel is listed as a laborer. Later census list him as a farmer. This 1850 census is interesting in that it shows that neither Daniel or Rebecca could read or write. It also shows he had no real estate. Neighbors included George Keener, David Keener, Thornton Colbert, Irvine Stewart, Joseph Keener and John Durr.

Sometime after 1850 Daniel acquired five acres of land near Durr's Crossroads in Dunkard Township. It was on the hill above Crooked Run. The five acres were adjacent to the farm of Jeremiah Stewart an uncle of Daniel's. It is entirely possible that Daniel farmed his Uncle's place as Jeremiah did.
not have any children. I'm sure Daniel could not have supported his growing family on just five acres. Their home was a log house. Today, there is a clapboard covered log house near this location but we are not sure if it is the same home the Stewarts lived in.

Daniel and Rebecca's first child was Mary Elizabeth born August 28, 1848 in Dunkard Township. She died shortly before her third birthday on July 11, 1851. She was buried at Eden Church in Stewartstown. This shows the Stewarts were closely connected to that church.

In those early days of Eden Church preaching wasn't held every Sunday. Dan and Rebecca probably walked over to Eden only on the Sundays the preacher was there. They had to cross the Monongahela River at the mouth of Crooked Run in a skiff. They would then be at the mouth of Buffalo Pound Hollow. They then followed the road or trail past the Albert Stewart home to the head of the hollow, then over the ridge and they were at Eden. It was a long walk but they were used to such things in those days. In bad weather Rebecca and younger children would ride horseback and Dan and the older children would walk.

Daniel and Rebecca were evidently very close friends of David and Jemima Keener. So close in fact that their next child born was named David Keener Stewart. When a daughter was born next she was named Jemima. Then when their sixth child was born they used the name Keener again. Jemima Keener was a Hoard from near Stewartstown and probably knew Rebecca from childhood.

All of Daniel and Rebecca's children, except Myrtie, the youngest, were born in Greene County. One photograph, reproduced in this book, survives which shows Daniel and Rebecca with seven of their children, the youngest being Jerry.

In the 1860 Census Daniel is listed as a farmer with a personal estate valued at $300,00. His neighbors included Ambrose Dilliner, Oliver Cooper, John Cooper, Levi Miller, Job Hale, William Hoard, John Knotts, and James Davis. On February 13, 1870 Daniel and Rebecca sold their five acres in Dunkard Township to Oliver Cooper for $600.00. Three days earlier they had purchased their new farm near Stewartstown from Jonathan and Hannah Smith for $788.00 in hand and $100.00 more on April 1, 1871. The new farm had 30 acres plus the buildings.

There are several reasons that could be cited for the Stewarts moving to Stewartstown. I would say first and foremost was their close relationship with Eden Church. Second, Daniel got a larger farm. With their growing brood of children more land was needed to raise more food. Clifford Hoard in his research believes that the building of Lock Number 9 at nearby Hoard Rocks could be the third reason for the move. Mr. Hoard believed that Daniel did teamstering work besides farming and that he worked on the building of Lock Number 9 in that capacity.

In 1971 Sylvia Baker wrote down her recollections about the home of Daniel and Rebecca. "Grandma Stewart's house had no porch on the front. However, it had a long one on the back. In summer time they did a lot of their work on this back porch. To keep things cool they had a cave over the hill from the house. This cave was apparently a mine entrance at one time. One time I was going to the cave for something for my Grandmother. I saw a big red apple in a nearby tree. I tried to get the apple and was stung by a bee. I ran back to the house crying. I can remember Grandma Stewart and Aunt Myrtie sitting me down on a bench on the back porch and putting snuff on the sting. Both of them rubbed snuff. I remember they kept milk, butter, and many things cool in this cave. It never had a door on it and I don't recall anything ever being taken."
A view looking from Stewartstown toward the Daniel Stewart farm. The X marks the approximate location of the house.

Daniel Stewart was a large man with a long black beard. He had a large girth in his later years. One story is told that when Rebecca wanted to make him new pants the material was laid out on the floor. Daniel laid down on it and the material was then marked out by Rebecca.

Daniel was a stern father and brought up his children with a deep faith in the church.

Rebecca also had a strong influence upon her children. She was a small woman who had a very gentle nature and was loved by family and friends alike. She evidently had a strong constitution for she gave birth to 18 children. Of these 18 children only 13 received names. The others were believed to be stillborn. Tradition indicates a set of twins were among the stillborn children.

Pleasant Hill School, which the Stewart Children attended.
The Stewart children were a rough and tumble bunch. Especially the younger boys, Dan, Jerry, William and Quinter. What little schooling they had was at the nearby Pleasant Hill School. A story is told that one day the teacher spanked Myrtie who was the youngest. Her older brothers picked up the teacher and threw him out the window. The boys bragged later the teacher landed on his feet running and never came back. This story is doubtful but evidently the boys were capable of such mischief.

The Stewarts cannot be found in the 1870 census but in the 1880 census Daniel is listed as a farmer while the sons, Daniel age 17, Jerry age 16, William age 14 and Quinter age 12 are listed as laborers. It is also shows they all attended school in that year.

As stated earlier the Stewarts were very active in the Eden Methodist Church. Daniel was a great singer and led the hymn singing in the church. They say he often became so carried away with the hymns that he would sing all the way home after church, his voice booming from hill and valley.

Daniel Stewart made his will on December 24, 1881. In it he stated that he wanted each of his children to have $50.00. He had already given $50.00 to David, John, Jemima, Olive and Keener. He stated he owed $50.00 to Daniel, Jeremiah, William, Quinter and Myrtie. He gave his bible to Myrtie and watch to Quinter. Notations at the bottom of the will indicate he gave $50.00 to Jeremiah and William on October 11, 1883 and to Daniel on January 20, 1884.
Daniel died November 8, 1887. Although I have no proof it is believed he died of tuberculosis. That was a very common killer in those days. He was 62 years old at the time of his death. He was laid to rest in the church yard of Eden Methodist Church.

After Daniel’s death Rebecca continued on the farm with the help of Quinter and Myrtie. After Quinter married he and his wife, Eva, lived on the farm with Rebecca. It was sometime during this period that Quinter tricked Rebecca into signing her share of the farm away to him. She couldn’t read or write so he took her to Morgantown to sign a paper at the Courthouse. On the way home Quinter told her what he had done. This foul deed broke Rebecca’s heart. She left the farm and went to live with her son, William, in Point Marion. She died at 72 years of age on October 16, 1903. Rebecca joined Daniel in Eden Cemetery.

It is ironic that Rebecca who had such a hard life as a child would be cheated by her own son in her old age. But for a woman who suffered many hardships and privations she was always cheerful and kind. She was sorely missed by one and all upon her passing.

Daniel and Rebecca had 18 children. Of these only 13 were actually named as the others were probably stillborn. All were born in Dunkard Township, Greene County, Pa., except for the youngest, Myrtie, who was born in Stewartstown. The children were:

1. Mary Elizabeth, born August 28, 1848, died July 11, 1851. She is buried at Eden Church Cemetery.


3. Jemima Anne, born May 31, 1852, died December 18, 1911.

4. John Thomas, born April 9, 1854, died February 17, 1926.

5. Olive Rebecca, born October 4, 1856, died March 17, 1918.


7. Rachel Matilda, born February 13, 1861, died February 17, 1862. She is buried at Eden Church Cemetery.

8. Daniel Webster, born January 5, 1863, died January 1, 1940.


10. George Ira, born December 16, 1865, died December 24, 1865. He is buried at Eden Church Cemetery.
12. Quinter Miller, born December 5, 1869, died February 22, 1941.
13. Myrtie Bell, born May 2, 1873, died May 13, 1934.

Individual chapters follow on David, Jemima, John, Olive, Keener, Daniel, Jeremiah, William, Quinter and Myrtie.

Rebecca and Daniel Stewart's tombstones

The Stewart family plot at Eden Church
David Keener Stewart was the second child and first son of Daniel and Rebecca Stewart. He was born July 16, 1850 in Dunkard Township, Greene County, Pa. He was named for David Keener, a very good friend and neighbor of Daniel and Rebecca.

Of his early life we know very little. However, it can be presumed he worked with his father in farming and attended school when the opportunity presented itself.

He married at age 22, on April 26, 1872 to Anna Mary Zearley, daughter of Isaac and Mary Colebank Zearley. They were married near Point Marion, perhaps in Anna's parent's home. Anna was born near Point Marion on February 2, 1852.

Dave and Anna lived in or near Point Marion from their marriage until after 1885. All of their children were born in Point Marion. They lived on the north side of the Cheat River on what is now the former location of the McClain Sand Company.

While living there Dave ran the ferry across the Cheat River. He was later helped by his brothers, Jack and William. Dave may also have worked for Dewings and Clarks lumber mills.
Sometime after 1885, the exact date is not known, Dave moved his family to near Uniontown, Pa. Here he farmed and worked as a miller for Hogsett and Hankins Feed Mill, that was located in Uniontown.

Dave and Anna were active members of the Methodist Protestant Church on Church Street in Uniontown.

Sylvia Baker could recall that both Dave and Anna were kind and gentle folks. They were good christian people who helped their neighbors and relatives in need. They were very close to all the relations in both Dave's and Anna's families. When they came to visit in Point Marion they rode on the train.

David died November 11, 1915 and Anna on March 27, 1917. Both are buried in Uniontown, Pa.

David and Anna Stewart had nine children. A record of these children follows:

INFANT SON. Their first child was a son who died at birth on July 13, 1873. This child was born at Point Marion and is probably buried at Eden Cemetery, although we have no positive record of that fact.
ADDIE LEE STEWART, the second child was born August 6, 1875 at the Sadler Place in Point Marion. She married August 14, 1895 at Waltersburg, Pa. to George D. Malone, son of George and Euphemia Malone. George was born July 28, 1874 at New Salem, Pa. He worked as a farmer and coal miner. They lived in New Salem. George died December 2, 1942 and Addie died April 2, 1961. Both are buried at Salem View Cemetery, New Salem, Pa. Addie and George had three children and all were born in New Salem.

1. Arthur Edmund Malone, born October 30, 1896. He married on February 12, 1918 to Sarah Elizabeth Rankins, daughter of James Rankins. Elizabeth was born September 14, 1901 at Smithfield, Pa. Arthur worked as a coal miner. They reside in Smithfield, Pa. Arthur and Elizabeth had four children:
   2a. Albert Edward Malone, born August 6, 1918 and twin of Arthur. He married Mona Cleater, who was born August 25, 1917. They have two children
      1b. Kenneth N. Malone, born January 7, 1948. Married to Nancy J. Brown. They have two children
         1c. Richard A. Malone
         2c. Krystal D. Malone
   3a. David Scott Malone, born August 12, 1924. He married Gladys Jones. They have three children
   4a. Richard Lee Malone, born March 8, 1931. He married first to Mardell Deutche and had two children. His second marriage was to Mary ___

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2. Florence Golda Malone was born July 29, 1898. She married on September 2, 1918 at New Salem, Pa. to Homer Floyd Tracy, son of Elijah and Alice Tracy. Homer was born October 10, 1896. He was a butcher by occupation. Goldie worked as a switchboard operator for the old Tri-State Telephone Company. Homer died September 23, 1958 and is buried at Salem View Cemetery in New Salem. Goldie now resided in New Salem.

3. Carrie Leota Malone was born February 3, 1902. She married June 20, 1925 at Frederick, Md. to Charles Franklin Matthews, son of Theodore and Elsie You Matthews. Charles was born June 6, 1905 at Uniontown, Pa. He was a plumber by trade. He also worked for Republic Iron and Steel. Charles died September 29, 1949 and is buried in New Salem, Pa. Leota graduated from California State Teachers College. She was a school teacher until her retirement. She was also very active in the Christian Church and in the Cub Scouts. Leota and Charles had three children all born in Uniontown, Pa.

1a. Frances Lee Matthews, born October 6, 1936. Frances graduated from Milligan College, Tennessee. She is presently a school teacher.
2a. Janet Mae Matthews, born October 28, 1939. She married August 25, 1961 to Donald S. Jubin, son of George and Opal Jubin. Donald was born June 10, 1939 at New Salem, Pa. Janet graduated from Milligan College in Tennessee. In addition to raising her family she has also taught in elementary school. Don is a Star Route contractor with the U.S. Postal Service. They presently reside in Johnstown, Pa. They have two daughters, both born in Somerset, Pa.

3a. Charles Franklin Matthews, born October 13, 1943. He married June 17, 1965 at Deming, New Mexico to Jackie Rae Wheeler, daughter of Rev. Francis and Marie Wheeler. Jackie was born April 9, 1943 in Muncie, Indiana. Charles graduated from Philips University and Seminary in Enid, Oklahoma. He is now a minister with the Christian Church in Wray, Colorado.

WILLIAM STEWART was born March 20, 1877 at Point Marion. He died March 21, 1877 and is buried at Eden Church.

MYRTIE BELLE STEWART was born August 11, 1878 at Point Marion. She married to William Franklin Michener, son of Neil and Melessia Michener. Frank was a carpenter. Frank died November 22, 1938. Myrtie died July 26, 1954. Both are buried in Hopwood, Pa. They had three children.

Frank and Myrtie Michener. The girl in the center is not known, but is believed to be a cousin of Franks.
1. David Roy Michener, born February 7, 1898 at New Salem, Pa. He married first to Ida Mae Martin and had three children. He married second to Pearl M. Lake. Roy is a carpenter by trade. Roy and Pearl live in Hopwood, Pa.

1a. Ruth Ellen Michener, born August 26, 1920 at Uniontown, Pa. She married April 20, 1941 at Friendsville, Md. to George William Hilling. They have five children.
   1b. George David Gary Hilling, born November 22, 1944.

1b. Irene E. Michener, born March 5, 1924 at Hopwood, Pa. She married September 5, 1944 to Preston E. Altizer, son of Preston and Virginia Altizer. Preston was born December 31, 1921 in Columbus, Ohio. He is a Rural Carrier with the Post Office in Hopwood. Preston also served with the U. S. Army. Irene and Preston have two daughters, both born in Uniontown.
   1b. Carol Ann Altizer, born April 16, 1946.
   2b. Lynn Renee Altizer, born December 20, 1951.

2a. Hazel Mae Michener, born April 9, 1928 at Hopwood, Pa. She married May 18, 1947 at Hopwood to George S. Gallo, son of John and Susan Gallo. George was born April 11, 1927 in Brownfield, Pa. George was in the U. S. Navy. Hazel and George live in Hopwood and three children all born in Uniontown, Pa.

2. Lena Marie Michener was born September 5, 1902 at Uniontown, Pa. She married Doyle L. Peck on September 22, 1921 at Uniontown. Doyle was the son of Algy and Mary Peck and was born April 1, 1897 at Coletown, Ohio. He served in the U. S. Marines in World War I. Doyle was a Rural Carrier with the Post Office in Hopwood. Lena one time worked as a switchboard operator for Bell Telephone Company in Uniontown. Lena and Doyle have three children.
   1a. Norma Peck, died at birth on September 25, 1923 in Hopwood. She is buried in Uniontown, Pa.
   2a. Roberta Elaine Peck, born January 8, 1928 at Hopwood. She married November 23, 1948 to John P. Batcho, son of John and Mary Batcho. John was born November 6, 1923 at Crucible, Pa. He served in World War II and presently works for Pitney-Bowes, Inc. Roberta and John have three children.
   1b. Christine Marie Batcho, born February 20, 1950 in Denver, Colorado. She married October 9, 1971 to Sterling Altman.

3a. Franklin Doyle Peck, born October 27, 1934 at Hopwood. He married Judith A. Heitzenrater, daughter of Wallace and Margaret Heitzenrater on July 22, 1960 in Friendsville, Md. She was born October 25, 1941 in Punxsutawney, Pa. Franklin served in the U. S. Army and is now a Pennsylvania State Policeman. They have three sons, all born in Punxsutawney.
   1b. David Franklin Peck, born February 1, 1961.

3. Elmer Charles Michener was born April 19, 1906 at Uniontown, Pa. He married June 1, 1926 at Oakland, Md. to Kathryn Hilling. She was born December 3, 1909 in Uniontown. Elmer works for the Laurel Highlands School System. They have three children all born in Hopwood, Pa.
   1a. Jean Marie Michener, born July 15, 1929. She married to
Lavern Rambo. They have four children, all born in Uniontown, Pa.


2a. Janet Mae Michener, born July 15, 1929 and twin of Jeane Marie. She married December 1, 1949 at Mt. Lake Park, Md. to James E. Wandel, son of Arthur and Nell Wandel. James was born June 26, 1927 in Uniontown. He served in the U. S. Navy. They presently reside in California. They have three children.


3a. Elma Kathryn Michener, born October 1, 1934. She married on September 29, 1951 at Oakland, Md. to Ronald O. Hartzel, son of Oran and Pearl Hartzel. Ronald was born October 18, 1933 at Uniontown. He works as a mine electrician. Elma died January 28, 1965 and is buried at Mountain View Cemetery in Hopwood. Elma and Ronald had two children both born in Uniontown.

1b. Kathy Jean Hartzel, born April 19, 1952. She married June 8, 1974 to Andrew J. Berdar.


INFANT SON. The fifth child died at birth on March 27, 1880 at Point Marion. He is buried at Eden Cemetery.

WALTER EARL STEWART was born April 14, 1883 at Point Marion, Pa. He married first on June 10, 1905 at Uniontown, Pa. to Marie Horner, daughter of Noah Horner. Marie was born May 10, 1884 in Stalstown, Pa. He had two children by this marriage. He married second to Nellie Baker, born August 15, 1883, daughter of John C. Baker. They had no children. Walter was a carpenter and painter. I have experienced difficulty in locating information on the Walter Stewart family, therefore what I have found is very brief. Walter and Marie had two children.


MARY E. STEWART was born March 30, 1885 at Point Marion. She died August 6, 1885 and is buried at Eden Cemetery.

EFFIE S. STEWART was born July 8, 1886 at Dunbar, Pa. She married on June 30, 1909 at Uniontown, Pa. to Charles E. Morris. Charlie was the son of John and Maroenia Morris and was born November 3, 1884 near Point Marion, Pa. Charlie was a carpenter and building contractor in Uniontown, Pa. He died on February 8, 1954. Effie died October 26, 1971. Both are buried at Oaklawn Cemetery in Uniontown. They had four children all born in Uniontown.

1. Leslie J. Morris, born August 6, 1910, twin of Lester. He died October 14, 1910 and is buried in Uniontown.

2. Lester D. Morris, born August 6, 1910, twin of Leslie. He died February 11, 1911 and is buried in Uniontown.


CLARA STEWART was born June 24, 1894 at New Salem, Pa. Clara was a retarded person and the youngest child of David and Anna Stewart. She died on October 24, 1927 and is buried in Uniontown, Pa.

Effie Morris and Addie Malone
FAMILY TREE OF ANNA MARY ZEARLEY
WIFE OF DAVID K. STEWART

Isaac Conn Zearley
b. April 8, 1821
d. July 8, 1906
buried at Eden Cemetery
Was a carpenter and builder by trade.

Anna Mary Zearley
1852-1917

John Zearley
born in England
Settled near Smithfield, Pa.
where he had a cloth manufacturing business.

Anna Hixon

James Colebank
1794-1864

Peter Colebank
c. 1765-c. 1810

Sarah Grimes
c. 1765-c. 1815

Mary Goodwin
1794-1861

Mary Colebank
b. October 9, 1824
d. October 9, 1852
buried at Eden Cemetery
Jemima Anne Stewart was the third child of Daniel and Rebecca Stewart. She was always called by her nickname, "Sis." Sis was born May 31, 1852 in Dunkard Township, Greene County, Pa. Sis was born crippled and walked with a limp all of her life. This defect affected her greatly, particularly when she got older. It was often remarked among family members that it was a miracle how she could raise a family of four sons, cook and keep house as well as she did.

Sis married in January 1874 to William Johnson, son of Richard and Minerva Colebank Johnson. Bill was born February 23, 1855 near Rosedale, W.Va.

Sis and Bill lived nearly all their lives in the vicinity of Stewartstown. For a short period about 1880 to 1882 they lived in Brownfield, Pa., a small community near Uniontown. In 1890 they purchased land on the road to Hoard Rocks. Here they lived for the rest of their days.

Bill Johnson had one of the most interesting jobs of any member of the family. For nearly 20 years he worked as a diver for the government. He evidently got into this work about the time Lock 9 was being built at Hoard. His job was to go down in the river in a divers suit to inspect the locks. He checked for damage done by boats and also made repairs when necessary. His obituary said he also worked as a blacksmith in Point Marion and Fairchance, Pa. The Fairchance job was probably when he lived in Brownfield. Late in life he worked as a night watchman at the Morgantown Brick works.
Sis and Bill Johnson were a very happy couple that got along extremely well together. They loved to play little jokes on one another. Sylvia Baker recalled they were always trying to outdo one another with their tricks and practical jokes. Sylvia said Uncle Bill always called her his "little black wame" because once when she was little she showed him a black worm and mispronounced "wame."

Sis died December 18, 1911 at age 59 years. It is believed her crippled condition contributed to her death.

Bill Johnson continued to live at their home place and died on June 21, 1933. Both are buried at Mount Union Cemetery between Sunnyside and Easton, W. Va. Sis and Bill Johnson had four sons.

WILLIAM LINDSAY JOHNSON was the oldest son and he was born July 24, 1874 at Stewartstown. He married on September 25, 1895 at Stewartstown to Vallie Josephine Stewart, daughter of John and Mary Jane Stewart. Vallie was born at Easton, W.Va. on September 16, 1872. After their marriage they moved to Morgantown. Their home was on Stewart Street on Wiles Hill. Lindsay or "Lins" as he was called was Superintendent of the Morgantown Brack Company. He also served on the City Council of Morgantown. The Johnsons were also active in the Highland Methodist Church. Lins was also in the Masonic Lodge and the Odd Fellows. Lindsay had a fine singing voice and he and his daughter, Margurite, often entertained at the Stewart Reunions. Lindsay died December 25, 1941. Vallie died July 8, 1944. Both are buried at Mount Union Cemetery in Union District, Monongalia County. Lindsay and Vallie had two daughters and one adopted son, Lorenzo. The daughters were:

1. Ethel Johnson, born and died on August 29, 1905 in Morgantown. She is buried at Mount Union Cemetery.
2. Helen Margurite Johnson, born November 21, 1912 at Morgantown. She married Howard Richard Kennell. Both work for Morris Harvey College in Charleston, W.Va. They have two children.

1a. Val Dell Kennell, born June 27, 1938. She married to William E. Wimer. They have three children.

3b. Michael E. Wimer, born August 21, 1943.


DAVID FRANK JOHNSON the second child of Sis and Bill Johnson was born March 20, 1879 at Stewartstown. He married on November 24, 1897 at Stewartstown to Nellie Jamison, daughter of David Jamison. Nellie was born December 31, 1879 at Bobtown, Pa. Frank and Nellie lived in Point Marion. They attended the Trinity Methodist Church. Nellie died July 3, 1933 and Frank in 1936. Both are buried in Point Marion Cemetery. They had five children.


1a. Karl Franklin Robbins, born January 16, 1921. He married February 10, 1945 at Fort Myers, Flordia to Frances E. Stone, daughter of Walter and Nellie Boarden Stone. Frances was born August 26, 1923 in Logan, Ohio. Karl was in World War II and the Korean War. He received his B.S. from the University of Maryland in 1957 and his M.A. from American University in 1962. He is employed as a computer analyst. Karl and Frances have two daughters.

1b. Rosalind Jo Robbins, born June 23, 1946 at Tampa, Flordia. She is married to Ed Wyatt. She graduated in 1962 from Duke University.


2a. Robert Stanley Robbins, born January 10, 1925. He married October 7, 1950 to Vera Lee Davis. Vera is the daughter of Mark and Georgia Davis and was born March 8, 1926 in Thomas, W.Va. Robert served in the U. S. Air Force in World War II. He is a physician and now resides in Wheeling, W.Va. Both he and Vera are graduated of the University of Pittsburgh. They have four children.


3a. Thomas Arthur Robbins, born July 22, 1926. He married Elaine Shirley on November 1, 1952 at South Charleston, W.Va. Elaine is the daughter of William B. and Sarah Givens Shirley. She was born January 30, 1931 at Berlin, New Hampshire. Thomas served in World War II. He received his B.A. from West Virginia University in 1951 and his M.E. from Salisbury State College in 1972. Elaine received her B.S.H.E. from West Virginia University in 1952. Both are presently school teachers. They live in Denton, Md. They have four children all born in Easton, Md.


4a. Paul Alan Robbins, born November 15, 1931. He married first to Diana Laird and had four children. He married second to Judy Deaton. Paul graduated from Pennsylvania State University in 1953. He is a sales representative.

3b. Dana Robbins, born February 8, 1961 at Concord, Calif.

2. Lester Lindsay Johnson was born June 16, 1901 at Hoard, W.Va. He married on June 9, 1920 in Point Marion, Pa. to Pearl Hager, daughter of George and Sara Hagar. Pearl was born July 20, 1901 at Searights, Pa. Lester was called "Jackie" all of his life. He was an avid hunter and fisherman. He worked for Houze Glass Factory in Point Marion. Jackie died in 1962. Pearl died November 13, 1973. Both are buried in Evergreen Memorial Cemetery in Point Marion. They had four children all born in Point Marion.

1a. Natalie Ruth Johnson, born September 6, 1921. She died April 1, 1923.


1b. Alcinda S. Dent, born 1951.

4a. Jack Lindsay Johnson, born 1933. He married Kay F. Zinn. They have two children. They reside in Point Marion.


3. Osborne Franklin Johnson was born September 23, 1909 at Hoard, W.Va. He married Mary Bircher and they had four children.

1a. Osborne Franklin Johnson, Jr., born 1933. He married Alice M. Lambee.

1b. Bruce F. Johnson, born 1962.

4a. Bonnie L. Johnson, born 1944. She married Melvin Ainsley.

4. Chester Kenneth Johnson was born February 2, 1916 at Point Marion. He
married Pauline Proden. Chester died March 18, 1953. He is buried at
Evergreen Memorial Cemetery in Point Marion. Chester and Pauline had four
children all born in Point Marion.
   1a. Natalie J. Johnson, born March 7, 1936. She married Carl
   Frankhouser, Jr., son of Carl and Virginia Frankhouser. Carl was born
December 8, 1936 at Masontown, Pa. Carl retired after 20 years in the U.S.
   Navy. He is now a police dispatcher for the Tucson, Arizona Police Department.
   They have three children.
   1b. Melinda Susan Frankhouser, born January 22, 1966 in
   Jacksonville, Florida.

2a. Ruth Johnson, born and died in 1937.
3a. Judith Ann Johnson, born April 30, 1939. She married August 30,
   1958 at Point Marion to Richard H. Robbins. He is the son of William and
   Doris Robbins and was born November 8, 1937 in Point Marion. They presently
   reside in Greensboro, Pa. They have three children.
   2b. William Kenneth Robbins, born September 16, 1961 at North
   Madison, Ohio.
   3b. Kathy Lynne Robbins, born July 22, 1963 at North Madison, O.

5. June Frances Johnson, born and died in June 1920.

**JESSE KEENER JOHNSON** was the third son
of Sis and Bill Johnson. He was born
September 2, 1881 at Brownfield, Pa. He
married April 19, 1905 at Stewartstown
to Mary Elizabeth Stafford, daughter of
William and Cynthia Stafford. Bess as
she was called was born April 19, 1884
at Easton, W.Va. Jesse and Bess lived at
Hoard, W. Va. all of their married life.
Jesse was an avid fox hunter. He died
February 21, 1949. Bess died March 19,
1967. They are both buried at Eden
Cemetery in Stewartstown. They had 10
children, all of whom were born at Hoard.

2. Mable Marie Johnson, born January 5, 1908. She married February 11,
   1929 at Morgantown to James L. Huffman. James was born February 18, 1894 and
died September 9, 1945. They had four children.
   First to Barbara J. Pierce and second to Louise . He had a child by each marriage.
1b. Debra Lee Huffman, born December 26, 1954. 

2a. Lesley William Huffman, born September 21, 1931. He married October 30, 1941 to Ida Marie Runner.
    1b. Leslie N. Huffman, born January 28, 1954.

3a. James Lloyd Huffman, born January 5, 1934. He was killed in a motorcycle accident on September 5, 1957.

4a. John Edward Huffman, born August 16, 1938. He married Carolyn
   1b. Rondalyn Huffman
   2b. Gregg Huffman.

3. Elsie Pearl Johnson was born November 4, 1909. She married October 20, 1933 at Morgantown to Pemberton Huffman. Pemberton was born March 24, 1898. They had no children.

4. Donald William Johnson was born September 17, 1911. He married Mable Dorcas McCourt, daughter of James and Clara Smith McCourt. Mable was killed on May 31, 1956 when she touched a live electric wire after an auto accident. Bill married second to Eleanor T. Miller. He had six children by his first wife and one by his second. Bill Johnson was robbed and murdered by an unknown person or persons on October 19, 1970. He and Mable are buried at Pleasant Hill Cemetery near Morgantown.
      1b. Mary Jean Johnson, born December 13, 1956.
      1b. Donald Walker, born 1954.
   6a. George L. Johnson, born December 28, 1944. He is married and has two children.
      1b. Georgia K. Johnson, born 1957.

5. Lloyd Earl Johnson, born December 27, 1914 and died April 17, 1916. He is buried at Eden Cemetery.

6. Evenelia Babe Johnson was born March 9, 1917. She married September 28, 1933 to Bernard McCourt. They had three children. Evenelia married second to Charles Brown. They had no children. She died February 27, 1973.
   1a. Barbara J. McCourt, born June 8, 1934. She married John Saylor, who was born June 25, 1934.
2a. Dorothy Lee McCourt, born November 29, 1936. She died May 7, 1941 and is buried at Eden Cemetery.

3a. Shirley M. McCourt, born October 2, 1940. She married Donald Gabbert.
   1b. Donna M. Gabbert, born May 2, 1959.

   1a. William Harold Johnson
   2a. Walter Douglas Johnson

8. Franklin Johnson, died at birth on December 22, 1922. He is buried at Eden Cemetery.


10. Mary Elizabeth Johnson, born May 17, 1928. She married Dennis L. Vankirk. They have three children.

CHARLES WOODROW JOHNSON was the fourth child of Sis and Bill Johnson. He was born January 5, 1884. He married in 1906 to Anna Edwards, the daughter of Thomas and Margaret Edwards. Anna was born August 3, 1891 at Naomi, Pa. They had two children. Charlie died June 14, 1943 and Anna on September 5, 1968. Both are buried at Belle Vernon, Pa.

1. Jenna Loving Johnson, born February 10, 1908 at Hoard. She married Felix A. Frank II. He was born August 30, 1906 and died September 30, 1945. They had two daughters.
   1a. Margaret H. Frank, born May 7, 1927. She married Dale E. Eitzen.
   2a. Mona N. Frank, born March 21, 1929. She married Armand Sicki.

2. Edwin W. Johnson, born October 28, 1911. He married Susan A. Freshnock. She was born October 3, 1913, and died July 7, 1966. They had four children.
   1a. Charles E. Johnson, born November 1, 1934. He married Shirley A. Klasmeyer. They have twin sons.

Charles W. Johnson

2a. Mona N. Frank, born March 21, 1929. She married Armand Sicki.
FAMILY TREE OF WILLIAM JOHNSON
HUSBAND OF JEMIMA STEWART

Thomas Johnson

Richard Johnson
1815-1877
Buried in Everly Cemetery #2, Monongalia Co. W.Va.

William Johnson
1855-1933

Minerva Colebank
1818-1896
Buried in Everly Cemetery #2, Monongalia Co. W.Va.

Samuel Colebank
Buried Shiloh Cemetery near Kasson, W.Va., Barbour County

Peter Colebank
cal765-cal810

Sarah Grimes
cal765-cal815

Caspar Everly
died 1800

Simeon
Everly
1761-1843

Elizabeth
Everly
1795-1863

Prudence Howard
died 1841

Both Simeon and Caspar Everly were Revolutionary War Veterans.

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John Thomas Stewart was the fourth child and second son of Daniel and Rebecca Stewart. He was born April 9, 1854 in Dunkard Township, Greene County.

John went by the nickname "Jack" all of his life.

On September 23, 1877 Jack married Elizabeth Stump of Hundred, West Virginia. I cannot locate where they were married but no doubt it was in the vicinity of Hundred. Jack's Grandfather and Grandmother Stewart lived near Hundred so it is assumed he met Elizabeth while visiting them.

Elizabeth Stump was called "Lizzie" or "Aunt Lizzie" by her friends and relatives. She was born July 8, 1859 and was the daughter of Adam and Hannah Sole Stump. Adam Stump was born in Baden, Germany in 1838. Hannah Sole was a granddaughter of Henry Church, known as "Old Hundred." The town of Hundred received its name after him.

It is interesting to note here that Jack Stewart was apparently married once before his marriage to Elizabeth Stump. Lizzie recalled to her family that one day while they were living in Point Marion, and Jack was a work, a strange woman came to the door. She said she was a neighbor and dropped by for a visit. She stayed, ate lunch, talked with Elizabeth and played with the children. She kept asking when Jack was coming home. A short time before he was due home the lady excused herself and left. Later when Elizabeth told her brother-in-law, Will, of the incident and described the woman he told her it was Jack's first wife.
Lizzie said she was a real nice person. However, no one today can recall the name of the woman. A check of local records does not reveal any information.

Jack and Lizzie Stewart went to housekeeping at Round Bottom, West Virginia, which is near Hundred. They are listed in the 1880 census in Church District, Wetzel County, West Virginia. Both Round Bottom and Hundred are in this district. Jack was listed as a farmer. They lived two houses away from Adam Stump.

Their first two children, Hannah and Merty Belle were born at Round Bottom. Tradition in Hannah’s family indicate she was born in Point Marion. However, the records collected by Charles Stewart in the 1920’s indicate Round Bottom as her place of birth. The 1880 census says she was born in West Virginia.

Between 1880 and early 1882 Jack and Lizzie moved to Point Marion. Their next three children, Rosie, Elizabeth and Henry were born while they lived there. Henry may actually have been born at Daniel and Rebecca Stewarts in Stewartstown. While living in Point Marion Jack helped to tend the Cheat River Ferry along with his brothers, Dave and William. He probably also worked at Dewings or Clarks lumber mills and on the Monongahela River locks.

By trade Jack was a stonemason. He probably learned this trade with the building of Lock 9 at Hoard, W. Va. He continued at this trade all of his life, in addition to farming. He worked on all the locks from Point Marion to Fairmont, West Virginia. Many of the homes in Hundred stand on the stone foundations he built. The 1904-1905 edition of the West Virginia State Gazetteer and Business Directory published by R. L. Polk & Company has Jack listed as a stonemason in Hundred. He was also a good carpenter.
One tragedy did scare the family while they lived in Point Marion. Their daughter, Rosie, was accidentally scalded by water. Lizzie had just finished cleaning a chicken with scalding water and threw the water under the back steps without knowing Rosie was under the steps playing. Although terribly burned she survived and lived to be 75 years old. Although mentally she was normal the burns did cripple her speech and thought process. Her mother never forgave herself for the incident.

Sometime before 1888 Jack and Lizzie moved to Hundred, West Virginia where their last two children, Adam and John were born. Their home was right in Hundred with the farm going up onto the hill behind the house.

Jack Stewart was a friendly man. Like all the other Stewarts he was always ready to help anyone in need. People often lived with them that had no where else to go. Jack also co-signed everyone's notes and owed thousands of dollars on other people's bills when he died. His son Adam, a man of honor, farmed the home place and raised sheep to pay off the debts. After Lizzie's death what money that was left over was given to Oak Forest Church for the upkeep of their graves.

Aunt Lizzie Stewart was much beloved by all of her family and friends. Arma Stewart, Adam's wife, could recall Lizzie and her sister, in their black dresses and bonnets sitting in rocking chairs on the back porch smoking their corn cob pipes.

On September 17, 1926 Jack had a heart attack while cleaning out his hog pen. He died during the night. Lizzie lived at the home place until her death on November 9, 1939.

Both Jack and Lizzie are laid to rest at the Oak Forest Cemetery, which is near Hundred. Jack and Lizzie had seven children.

HANNAH REBECCA STEWART was born September 16, 1878 at Round Bottom, W.Va. Hannah married on July 2, 1899 in Hundred, W.Va. to Jesse Frank Snyder. He had been born August 17, 1872 at Hundred and was a farmer. When he died he was buried at Oak Forest Cemetery near Hundred. Hannah died October 23, 1949 and was buried at Rogersville, Pa. The Snyders had three children.

1. Chancey V. Snyder, born March 1, 1901 at Hundred. He was killed by the kick of a horse on May 10, 1913 at the age of twelve years. He was buried at Oak Forest Cemetery, near Hundred.

2. Lillian E. Snyder, was born October 21, 1904 in Hundred. She was married in Fairmont, W.Va. on October 20, 1928 to William Earl McGlumphy. He was born September 4, 1900 in Hundred and was the son of Jefferson and Mary McGlumphy. William worked for a gas company. He died November 17, 1964 and is buried in Paden City, W.Va. Lillian is also deceased. They had three children all born in Hundred.

1a. Guy C. McGlumphy, born December 8, 1929. He married March 9, 1951 to Patricia J. Berdine. They have three children.

3b. James M. McGlumphy, born September 1, 1955

2a. Leota Rebecca McGlumphy, born May 1, 1936. She married Walter Morris on July 31, 1954. They have two children.

3a. Ralph Kay McGlumphy, born February 24, 1941. He married on May 7, 1961 at Farmington, West Virginia to Karen E. Hinderman, daughter of James and Mabel Hinderman. She was born November 27, 1941 in Glover Gap, W.Va. They presently reside in Metz, W.Va. They have two children, both born in Fairmont, W.Va.

1b. Bradley W. McGlumphy, born June 29, 1962

3. Mary Inez Snyder, born July 4, 1910 at Hundred. She married on June 4, 1932 to Stacy Waldo Snider. He was born September 27, 1900, and died November 23, 1949. He is buried at Rogersville, Pa. They had three children, all born in Hundred.

1a. Leona V. Snider, born September 19, 1933. She married March 10, 1951 at Clarksburg, W.Va. to Fred Ernest Phillips. They have one daughter.

1b. Tina Darlene Phillips, born October 7, 1952. She married Michael S. South. They have one child.


2a. Earl Jay Snider, born September 30, 1940. He married in Hundred on March 1, 1963 to Linda Clark. They have two children.


3a. Howard Ray Snider, born September 20, 1943.

MERTY BELLE STEWART was born May 22, 1880 at Round Bottom, W.Va. She died of diptheria on December 21, 1882 and is buried at Eden Cemetery.

MARGARET ROZELLA STEWART was born March 24, 1882 at Point Marion. When she was very small Rosie was severly burned by scalding water that was accidently thrown on her. Although mentally a normal person the burns did affect her speech and thought process. Her father provided for her in his will and she was cared for by her sister and brothers after her parent's death. She died November 10, 1957 and is buried at Oak Forest Cemetery near Hundred.

HENRY FRANCIS STEWART was born December 29, 1885 at Stewartstown. (Charles W. Stewart says Point Marion in his records) He married July 5, 1911 in Hundred to Pearl Elizabeth Hostutler, daughter of Edward and Sophia Hostutler. Pearl was born May 12, 1892 in Hundred. They lived in Fairmont, W.Va. Henry died November 29, 1947 and Pearl September 29, 1961. Both are buried at Hundred. They have four children.

1. Sophia Elizabeth Stewart was born June 27, 1912 at Hundred. She married Leonard B. Merryman on July 5, 1936 at Fairmont, W.Va.

2. Jack Edward Stewart, born in 1913 and died at birth. Exact date not known.

3. Frances Marie Stewart, born January 26, 1915 at Hundred, W.Va. She married James J. Geldbaugh on May 10, 1939 at Oakland, Md. James was born October 24, 1914 at Newburg, W.Va., the son of Oscar E. and Beulah Geldbaugh. James died November 11, 1971 and is buried at Woodlawn Cemetery in Fairmont, W.Va. They have one son.

Henry F. Stewart
1a. Larry Richard Geldbaugh, born April 5, 1940 in Fairmont, W.Va. He married October 18, 1958 to Emily Joan Worley. They have four children born in Fairmont.

1b. Tammy Marie Geldbaugh, born November 15, 1959.

4. James West Stewart born July 18, 1919 at Fairmont, W.Va. He married first to Pearl Marie Adams in 1940 and second on September 4, 1947 to Pearl Wright. His first wife is deceased.

ADAM THOMAS STEWART was born September 23, 1888 at Hundred. He married Arma Hinegardner on June 13, 1913 in Oakland, Md. Arma was born March 10, 1893 near Hundred and was the daughter of Lee and Dorcus Metz Hinegardner. Adam worked for the Hope and Equitable Natural Gas Company. Adam and Arma lived in Hundred and he served on the City Council. Adam died November 26, 1956 and is buried near Hundred. Arma still resided in Hundred. They had one daughter.

1. Kathryn Virginia Stewart, born August 13, 1919 at Hundred. She married on May 8, 1938 to Alex J. Roscoe. He was born January 26, 1913 in Beaver County, Pa. Alex was a graduate of West Virginia University. He was employed by Equitable Gas Company. He died September 29, 1963 and is buried near Burton, W.Va. Kathryn works for the bank in Hundred and resides with her mother. She and Alex had two children.


1b. Kimberly Kay Murphy, born April 12, 1965.
2b. Robert Keith Murphy, born April 2, 1968.

2a. Stewart Michael Roscoe, born July 21, 1949 at Waynesburg, Pa. He married May 29, 1971 in Belpre, Ohio to Linda Kay Felton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hoye K. Felton. She was born April 26, 1949 at Clarksburg, W. Va.
Mike and Linda both graduated in 1971 from Glenville State College with degrees in education. Mike is now a teacher and coach in Paden City, W.Va. Linda works as a substitute teacher. They have two children.

1b. Aimee Helen Roscoe, born June 18, 1973 at Fairmont, W.Va.

JOHN WILLIAM STEWART the last child of Jack and Lizzie Stewart was born October 21, 1895 at Hundred. He died February 16, 1898 at Hundred. He is buried at Oak Forest Cemetery, near Hundred.
Olive Rebecca Stewart was the fifth child of Daniel and Rebecca Stewart. She was born on October 4, 1856 at the Stewart home in Dunkard Township, Greene County, Pa. She was 14 years of age when the Stewarts moved from Greene County to Stewartstown, W.Va.

Olive Rebecca always went by the nickname of "Pet." She was known by that name all of her life. It can be safely said that many members of the family never knew her real name.

On November 19, 1874, at the age of 18 years, Pet married Clark Sapp, son of Joseph and Louise Stewart Sapp. I have not been able to find out exactly where they were married. It was probably either in Stewartstown or Point Marion.

Clark was born on June 18, 1855 near Stewartstown. His father, Joseph Sapp, was a farmer.

Very little information has been preserved on Pet and Clark Sapp. They moved to Point Marion after their marriage. Their first child, Walter, was born in Point Marion on May 2, 1876. The next two children were born in 1879 and 1882 in Stewartstown. The last child was born in 1896 in High House, Pa.

It can then be assumed that the Sapps lived in Stewartstown for a period of time before moving to High House.
While living in Point Marion Clark probably worked in one of the lumber mills in the town. He may have also done farming.

After moving to High House Clark farmed and worked as road supervisor for German Township.

Pet died on March 17, 1918 at age 61 years. Clark was 65 years of age when he died on December 30, 1920. Both are buried in the Mount Moriah Baptist Cemetery in Smithfield, Pa.

In all of my research on this family I was only able to find two photographs of Pet and Clark. They were the two group photographs taken at the first Stewart Reunion in 1909. One small tintype of Clark with William Stewart was also found. Most of the family could not recall seeing any other photographs of them.

Sylvia Baker could recall one thing about Aunt Pet. She was very neat and clean. Sylvia could recall that she always had a snow white table cloth at the reunion and all her utensils were spotless.

Pet and Clark Sapp had four children.

CALVIN WALTER SAPP was born May 2, 1876 at Point Marion. He married December 15, 1898 to Minnie D. Nace, daughter of Philip and Martha Wilson Nace. Minnie was born August 13, 1875 at Woodside, Pa. Walter worked for H. C. Frick Coal Company in the car shop and in other outside duties. He and Minnie lived in various places including High House, New Geneva and Continental #2, Pa. Walter died May 17, 1942 and is buried at Mt. Moriah Cemetery, Smithfield, Pa. Minnie died January 20, 1965. They had five children.

1. Carrie Marie Sapp, born January 3, 1900 at High House, Pa. She died January 6, 1900 and is buried at Smithfield, Pa.


1b. Ella Marie Fitzpatrick born August 16, 1940 at Fairchance, Pa. She died August 18, 1940 and is buried at Mount Moriah Cemetery in Smithfield, Pa.


3a. Dora Isabelle Fitzpatrick, born January 6, 1924 at Morgantown, W.Va. She married on April 13, 1946 at Scottsdale, Pa. to Lewis Sutton Ewart. He was born May 29, 1921 at Smithton, Pa. They have eight children, all born in Uniontown, Pa.

1b. Lewis Donald Ewart, born December 12, 1946. He married first to Sally J. Driestradt on November 4, 1966 and had two children. He married second on September 29, 1972 to Patricia A. Chick at Friendsville, Md. She was born March 9, 1951 at Connellsville, Pa., the daughter of Walter and Ruby Chick. Lewis and Patricia have four children.


3c. Kevin Donald Ewart, born August 8, 1973 at Connellsville.

4c. Brian Donald Ewart, born April 16, 1975 at Connellsville.


3b. Nancy Jane Ewart, born December 18, 1953. She married March 25, 1971 at Uniontown, Pa. to David E. Clark, son of Cyrus and Doris Clark. David was born November 13, 1955 at Uniontown. They have two children.


2c. Nancy Marie Clark, born May 12, 1976 at Uniontown.


5b. Lila Mae Ewart, born July 20, 1956. She was married on August 26, 1972 at Uniontown, Pa. to Edward P. Johnston, son of Charles and Charlotte Johnston. He was born June 10, 1954 at Uniontown. The have two children both born in Uniontown.


2c. April Love Johnston, born March 1, 1976.


4a. Minnie Florence Fitzpatrick, born October 13, 1925 at Uniontown. She married March 2, 1947 to John E. Obuch at Uniontown. John was born November 20, 1922 at Morgantown, W.Va. and was the son of Steve and Margaret Obuch. John served in the Army in World War II. They now live in Ypsilanti, Michigan and have six children.

1b. Florence Marie Obuch, born December 22, 1947 at Ann Arbor, Michigan. She married Arthur Rock on September 25, 1968 at Ypsilanti, Mich. Arthur was born October 6, 1949 at Ypsilanti. They have three children, all born in Ypsilanti.


2b. Farne Arlene Obuch, born May 8, 1949 at Uniontown.


5a. Doris Marie Fitzpatrick, born December 5, 1927 at Morgantown, W.Va. She married Everett Henry Mueller on October 5, 1946 at Toledo, Ohio. He was born September 26, 1922 at Fort Doge, Iowa, the son of Henry F. and May Fox Mueller. Everett served in the U. S. Marines in World War II. Doris and Everett have one daughter and five adopted children. The adopted children are, Barbara Ann, Linda Lou, Connie Kay, Frank Lee, and Cathy Lynn.

1b. Shirley Mueller, born January 2, 1948 at Ann Arbor, Mich. She married at Ypsilanti, Mich. on November 27, 1965 to Reuben A. Trudeau. She married second to Jimmie C. Smith. He was born September 7, 1930 in Memphis, Tennessee, the son of Mitchell and Ruth Smith. They have three children.


7a. Robert Daniel Fitzpatrick, born February 13, 1931 at Amewd, Pa. He married January 3, 1956 at Oakland, Md. to Dana Lee Ramage. She was born July 13, 1936 at Mason, Pa. Robert served in the Korean War. They have one son.

6a. Clark Edward Fitzpatrick, born May 1, 1933 at Uniontown. He married to Audrey Faye Rittinger, daughter of Jacob and Pearl Rittinger. She was born October 23, 1940 in Uniontown, Pa. Clark served in the Army in the Korean War. They have five children and one adopted son, all born in Uniontown, Pa.

9a. Ella Mae Fitzpatrick, born May 30, 1936 at Uniontown, Pa. She married February 26, 1955 at Uniontown to Frank Andrew Gregor. He was born February 27, 1931 at Uniontown. Frank served in the Army in the Korean War. They presently live in Uniontown and have seven children all born in Uniontown.

1b. Vincent Gregor, born March 10, 1956

10a. Ferne A. Fitzpatrick, born September 6, 1939 at Continental #2, Pa. She married on February 11, 1961 at Morgantown, W.Va. to Jerry A. Carbo, son of Michael and Ann Carbo. He was born February 19, 1941 in Republic, Pa. Jerry has a degree in Electrical Engineering from West Virginia University in 1964 and a Master in Business Administration from the University of Pittsburgh in 1974. They have four children


12a. Betty June Fitzpatrick, born June 29, 1943 at Fairchance, Pa. She married November 19, 1962 to Gwendolyn Lee Davis at Uniontown. She is the daughter of Wilbert and Faye Davis. Gwen was born July 1, 1945 at Uniontown. They have two children both born at Uniontown.

1b. William Donald Fitzpatrick, born May 19, 1963.

3. Lenora Beryl Sapp, born May 27, 1907 at High House, Pa. She died May 19, 1917 and is buried at Mount Moriah Cemetery in Smithfield, Pa.

4. Clark Eldred Sapp, born July 27, 1911 at High House, Pa. He married twice. First to Adrian Colbert on August 23, 1933. She died on March 4, 1940. He married second to Margaret Doyle in 1942. Clark died December 6, 1956 and is buried at Walnut Hill Cemetery in High House, Pa. Clark had two children, one by each wife.

1a. Clark Darwyn Sapp, born September 19, 1934, died October 1934.
2a. Patricia Ann Sapp, born January 16, 1943. She married Jon Dolfund in 1963. They have one son.

1b. Michael Clark Dolfund.

5. Calvin Walter Sapp, died at birth on September 4, 1917. He is buried at Mount Moriah Cemetery in Smithfield, Pa.

MYRTIE R. SAPP was born January 28, 1879 at Stewartstown. She married August 18, 1901 at Uniontown, Pa. to Thomas L. Friend, son of Marian Friend. He was born April 3, 1879 at Friendsville, Md. Thomas worked in the round house on the outside of a mine. He also farmed in partnership with his brother. In 1928 the Friends moved to Dearborn, Mich. where Thomas sought work in the car assembly plants. Myrtie and Thomas had nine children. I have not been very
successful in obtaining information on this family.

1. Goldie Pearl Friend, born April 18, 1903 at Johnstown, Pa. She married July 5, 1920 at Oakland, Md. to Lloyd S. Roderick, son of Marion and Ellen Roderick. Lloyd was born November 26, 1900 at High House, Pa. They had at least four children. Goldie later married Robert Woods.
   2a. Bryson Floyd Roderick, born May 4, 1921, and twin to Bryon, at High House, Pa. He died May 7, 1921 and is buried at Mount Moriah Cemetery.
   3a. Dorothy Ellen Roderick, born March 27, 1922 at Haydentown, Pa.


5. Willis Wendell Friend, born December 22, 1911 at High House, Pa.

6. Olive Maude Friend, born March 4, 1914 at Chadville, Pa. She married first to Boris G. Shundoff, second to Oswald S. Porter and third to Anacleto Villarreal.
   1a. Boris G. Shundoff, Jr. born September 6, 1932 at Dearborn, Michigan. He married first to Rose Conn and second Evelyn Moore.
   2a. Shirley Ann Porter, born March 5, 1943 at Wyandotte, Mich. She married January 29, 1960 at Welch, W.Va. to Parke R. Dameron. Parke was born February 24, 1940 in Pike County, Kentucky. They have six children.
   3b. Thomas R. Dameron, born October 29, 1961 at Lincoln Park, Mi.
   5b. Tina Marie Dameron, born June 24, 1964 at Detroit, Mich.


WILLIAM SAPP died at birth on May 4, 1882 at Stewartstown. He is buried at Eden Cemetery at Stewartstown.

WINONA WILLIS SAPP was born May 10, 1896 at Lechrone, Pa. She married October 19, 1916 at Wellsburg, W. Va. to Walter B. Balsinger. He was born January 28, 1895 at Smithfield, Pa. Both are deceased. They had one son.

Col. Zackquill Morgan was the founder of Morgantown, W.Va. and a famous Revolutionary War soldier on the western frontier. He was the son of Col. Morgan Morgan the first white settler in what is now West Virginia.
Keener Stewart was the sixth child of Daniel and Rebecca Stewart. He was born March 11, 1859 in Dunkard Township, Greene County, Pa. He was about 11 years old when the family moved to Stewartstown. An interesting note is the fact that his older brother, David's, middle name was Keener. The Stewart family must have really been good friends of the Keener family to use the name twice in their children.

Keener married on July 4, 1878 at Point Marion to Eliza Virginia Dilliner, daughter of Alpheus and Sarah Dilliner. Eliza was born May 16, 1863 in Stewartstown.

After their marriage they lived in a house on the north side of the Cheat River between Point Marion and what is now Nilan. Keener at this time worked for John D. Clark's lumber mill. All of their children were born in Point Marion or Stewartstown.

In 1889 Keener purchased 66 acres of land on Walnut Hill in Dunkard Township, Greene County, Pa. for $1998.37. This tract of land looked down on Point Marion from across the Monongahela River. Keener farmed this land in addition to working full time. It was common for him to put in 16 to 18 hours per day. He loved to keep busy.
Left to right, Jacob Blosser, John D. Clark and Keener Stewart. This was taken after a days work on the river at Clark's Lumber Mill. Taken about 1880.

When the Jeannett Glass Company opened in Point Marion he went to work for them as a nightwatchman. He continued with that firm until they went out of business.

Keener's grandchildren recall him as being a firm but fair person. He was very thrifty, but would always help a person in need. A great deal of the money he lent out was never repaid. He was generous to his grandchildren but made sure the change he gave them went into their banks.

Eliza was also a friendly and kind person and kept busy raising her children and attending to the duties of a housewife. She was an excellent cook.

Sylvia Baker recalled that she loved to cross the river to visit with Uncle Keener and Aunt Eliza. Uncle Keener had a skiff to cross the river back and forth to work. On the appointed visiting day Sylvia said they would rise early and be waiting in Uncle Keener's skiff when he got off night work at the factory. They went across the river and up the hill with him. That night they returned when he went back to work.

Eliza died March 19, 1919. Keener died on December 20, 1933 while digging out some broomsage grass in the orchard on the hill above his house. He was 74 years of age.

A newspaper clipping states his funeral "services were conducted by A. J. Gans, music by the Baptist Church choir, at his late home, West Point Marion Hill, at 2 o'clock." Both he and Eliza are buried at Wolf Cemetery, Dilliner, Pa. Keener and Eliza had eight children as follows:
INFANT DAUGHTER, the first born was an unnamed daughter who died at birth. This daughter was born at Stewartstown on January 27, 1879. She is buried at the Eden Church Cemetery in Stewartstown.

LEWIS D. STEWART The second child was a son, born April 30, 1880 in Point Marion. He died October 17, 1881 and was buried at the Eden Cemetery.

LEWIS D. STEWART

JEREMIAH DAVID STEWART, was born December 17, 1883 at Stewartstown. He married Ola M. Wilson on February 17, 1909 in Youngstown, Ohio. Ola was born November 24, 1889 at Fairchance, Pa. She was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Wilson. Efforts to contact members of this family for information has been fruitless. Jerry and Ola had four children:

1. Mable Marie Stewart, born July 12, 1909 at Point Marion.

2. Edward Kenneth Stewart, born June 14, 1911 at Fairchance, Pa. He enlisted in the U.S. Navy in 1928 and remained there until his retirement. He was married but had no children.

3. Clarence Patterson Stewart, born January 11, 1915 at Point Marion.


ALPHEUS STEWART was born August 20, 1886 at Point Marion. He died February 13, 1887 and is buried at Eden Church Cemetery in Stewartstown. Pearl Halfin recalled that her mother told her that Alpheus' death was a very severe blow to her.

GRACE PEARL STEWART was born April 10, 1888 at Point Marion. On April 12, 1911 she married Oliver Ellsworth Halfin, son of Lindsay and Sarah Kussart Halfin. Oliver was born June 19, 1877 at Dunkard, Pa. (now called Taylortown). Oliver went by the nickname of Ol, pronounced awl. He was a great flower grower and raised dahlias in particular. He propagated several new dahlias and sold the bulbs far and wide. He enter his flowers in shows in the area and invariably would wind first place with his entries. Pearl and Oliver had their first home at Taylortown. In 1919 they moved into a house next to her father, Keener's, homeplace on Walnut Hill, overlooking Point Marion. Oliver died on October 3,
1933. After his death Pearl was left to raise several young children. She accomplished this task without complaint. Two of her children graduated from college. Pearl was a great church worker. She attended Taylortown Methodist Church which was in Dunkard Township. In later years she attended the Trinity Methodist Church in Point Marion. She served as treasurer of the Stewart Reunion for many many years. A great deal of the information and pictures on this branch of the family was furnished by her. It is estimated she made 100 quilts during her lifetime. Pearl continued to live at her home overlooking Point Marion until her death on February 23, 1976, two months short of 88 years. She and Oliver are buried at Fairview Cemetery at Taylortown, Pa. After Pearl's death a note was found in her Bible saying she had read it 23 times. Pearl and Oliver were the parents of eight children.

1. Oliver Merle Halfin was born March 12, 1912 at Walnut Hill. He was married on June 19, 1944 at Pittsburgh, Pa. to Anna Collings Dawson. Anna was born on November 6, 1906 at Beechwood, W.Va., the daughter of Wayman and Estelle Collins. Merle worked for the Blue Ridge Bus Company, later the Greyhound Bus Company as a driver. They did not have any children.

2. Virginia Beryl Halfin, born February 26, 1913 at Taylortown. On July 20, 1936 in Monterey, Va. she married Wilfred E. Kramer. Wilfred was born December 9, 1911 in Monongahela, Pa. the son of Frank B. and Mary Frances Elliot Kramer. Virginia graduated from Indiana University of Pa. in 1934 with a B.S. in Education. She was a high school teacher and taught in the schools of Point Marion and Mapletown, Pa. Wilfred worked for Duquesne Light Company as chief clerk. They reside near Greensboro, Pa. They have three children.

   1a. Frank Halfin Kramer, born June 20, 1939 at Greensboro, Pa. He married on June 20, 1967 to Arlend Hladik. Arlene was born March 7, 1942 at Cleveland, Ohio, the daughter of Rose and Frank Hladik. They now reside in Portage, Indiana. Frank graduated from W. Va. University and Arlene from Kent State University. They have two children.


   2a. Karen Ann Kramer, born April 5, 1941 at Greensboro, Pa. She married Dennis W. Bobo on June 12, 1975 at Mapletown, Pa. Dennis was born January 6, 1943, the son of Dennis and Hazel Bobo. Both are graduated from West Virginia University and they now reside in Madison, Wisconsin. They have three children, all born in Madison.


   3a. Leah Kay Kramer, born August 14, 1942 at Uniontown, Pa. She married Stephen B. Martin on July 17, 1965 at Mapletown, Pa. Stephen was born May 9, 1938 at Mannington, W. Va., the son of Estaleen and Hugh Martin. Leah graduated with an A.B. from Fairmont West Virginia State College and an M.A. from West Virginia University. Leah and Stephen have two children and reside in Fairmont, W. Va.

3. Infant Son. The third child of Pearl and Oliver Halfin was a son who died at birth on March 19, 1915. He is buried at Fairview Cemetery.

4. Infant Daughter. The fourth child was a daughter who died at birth on July 26, 1916. She is buried at Fairview Cemetery.

5. Chauncey Halfin, was born December 28, 1918 at Taylortown, Pa. He died April 2, 1920. He is buried at Fairview Cemetery.

6. Sarah Edith Halfin was born February 9, 1921 at Walnut Hill. Edith married on October 22, 1944 to Gene Hill. Gene was born October 23, 1921 at Clarksburg, W. Va. Gene served in the Navy in World War II and graduated from West Virginia University in 1948 with a B.S. in Business. He was employed by the Internal Revenue Service. The Hills lived in Clarksburg, Morgantown and Charleston, W. Va. prior to moving to Tampa, Fla. where they now reside. They have two children.

1a. Gary Lynn Hill, born November 27, 1945 at Clarksburg, W. Va. He married April 19, 1969 to Mar Dee Howell Britt. Gary graduated from the University of South Florida in 1968 with a degree in Electrical Engineering. They reside in Dayton, Ohio and have one daughter.


2a. Patty June Hill, born February 2, 1947 in Morgantown, W. Va. On March 30, 1969 she married James Michael Strohmenger in Tampa, Flordia. James was born April 22, 1945 in Erie, Pa. the son of Eileen and Richard Strohmenger. Patty graduated in 1969 from the University of South Florida with a degree in chemistry. James graduated as a Medical Doctor from the University of Miami School of Medicine in 1970. He served in the U. S. Army Medical Corp as a Captain from 1971 to 1973. James is now in practice in Panama City, Flordia. They have two children

1b. James Michael Strohmenger, Jr., born August 26, 1973 at Miami, Flordia.

2b. Chris Ryan Strohmenger, born October 18, 1975 at Tampa Fla.

7. Harold Herman Halfin, born August 1, 1923 at Walnut Hill. He married Ruby Lewis on July 11, 1947. Ruby was born February 10, 1915 in Boone, N. C. the daughter of Wade and Nelia Lewis. Harold served in the army in World War II. He continued in the reserves until his retirement in 1966. He received a Doctorate of Education degree from West Virginia University in 1973. Harold teaches at University of Wisconsin-Stout Campus. Harold and Ruby reside in Menomonie, Wis. and have one daughter.

1a. Janet Marie Halfin, born March 21, 1948 at Morgantown, W.Va. She married on June 14, 1969 to Darrell Willard Quarderer. He was born November 8, 1947 at Prairie Farm, Wis. the son of willard and Glenna Quarderer. Both graduated from Stout State University. They have one daughter.

1b. Jennifer Marie Quarderer, born March 31, 1972 at Menomonie, Wis.

8. Homer Wayne Halfin, born July 16, 1929 at Walnut Hill. He married on September 2, 1949 to Goldie Elizabeth Hitt. Goldie was born July 3, 1930 at Mapletown, Pa. the daughter of Toxy and Burton Hitt. Wayne operated his own service station in Point Marion for a number of years. He is now employed as a mine foreman. Wayne and Goldie reside in Point Marion. They have four children all born in Morgantown, W. Va.

1a. Nancy Lee Halfin, born December 21, 1950. She married August 19, 1972 to Bruce Cuppett. He was born December 25, 1950 at Greensboro, Pa. the son of Bruce and Ann Cuppett. Nancy received a degree in education from California
State College in 1971. Bruce received a B.S. in mathematics in 1975 from Auburn University. He is presently serving as an Officer in the U. S. Navy.


2a. Vickie Jean Halfin, born July 22, 1952. She received a B. S. in Physical Education from Penn State University in 1974.

3a. Jane Ann Halfin, born August 15, 1953. She married on May 19, 1973 at Masontown, Pa. to Greg Bartuch. He was born December 1, 1954 at Akron, Ohio the son of Frank and Sarah Bartuch. Jane received a secretarial degree from West Virginia Career College in 1973. Greg is employed as a coal miner. They reside in Masontown, Pa. and have one daughter.


INFANT SON The sixth child of Keener and Eliza was a son who died at birth on March 28, 1892. This child is buried at Eden Cemetery.

CHAUNCEY STEWART was born July 31, 1894 at Walnut Hill. He married in 1912 to Bessie Crow. She was born August 15, 1897 the daughter of Lee and Lydia Crow. Chauncey died December 11, 1918, age 24 years. He was buried at Wolfe Cemetery. He and Bessie did not have any children.

ERNEST STEWART was born August 22, 1898 at Walnut Hill. He married August 11, 1926 to Lacy Everly. Lacy was born December 16, 1886 at Van Vorris, W. Va. the daughter of Allan Everly. Ernest lived in his father's home place next to his sister, Pearl. Ernest was a contributor to many of the local churches and often sent in money to radio preachers. He was also known to lend money to people in need. He worked as a coal miner. He and Lacy had no children. Ernest died December 10, 1959 and Lacy died July 19, 1967. Both are buried at Wolfe Cemetery.
Keener Stewart at the factory.

Frank Michener & Keener Stewart

Pearl Halfin and Ernest Stewart
Augustine Dilliner has the reputation of being the first permanent white settler in Greene County, Pa., arriving before 1760. His son, George Dilliner, is supposed to be the first white child born in Greene County. They settled near Crow's Ferry.
Daniel Webster Stewart was the eighth child of Daniel and Rebecca Stewart. He was born January 5, 1863 in Dunkard Township, Greene County, Pa. He was seven years old when the family moved from Greene County to Stewartstown.

It must be assumed that Dan worked with his father and brothers in farming and other types of work until his marriage. Evidently he worked away from home in order to have met his first wife who came from the vicinity of Jollytown, Pa. At the age of 22 years he married Martha Jane Renner. The marriage took place on July 4, 1885 at Jollytown. Martha, also called Nannie, was born December 25, 1867 in Wetzel County, W. Va. She was the daughter of William and Cassander Foster Renner. After their marriage they lived for a period near Montana Mines in Monongalia County, W. Va. In 1890 or 1891 they moved to near Garrison, Pa. where Daniel purchased a farm. Dan and Martha had four sons, John, William, Frank, and Tony. Martha died December 28, 1903. She is buried in Grandview Cemetery in Garrison.

Dan married second to Eva Marriner. She had been born April 18, 1887 in Wetzel County, W. Va. Eva had a daughter, Opal. Dan and Eva had four sons and one daughter, Charles, Dan, Bert, Fred and Martha. This is a total family of ten
Dan and Eva Stewart

children, including Opal.

Eva died May 3, 1919 during the flu epidemic. She is also buried at Grandview Cemetery.

After her death Dan raised all the children himself. He was an extremely hard worker and somehow managed to run his farm and raise his children. He was an excellent cook and baker. In addition to farming Dan also hauled dry goods for the General Store in Garrison. He would often get up at 1:00 or 2:00 a.m. and drive his team and wagon to Hundred, W. Va. pick up a load and be back in Garrison in time to do his farm chores.

Dan also loved to play the accordion. In the evening he often sat on his front porch and played.

Dan's home burnt down in 1933. Dan's son, Charlie, recalled that his father and another man were out in the field picking corn. They were out of sight of the house. They heard the fire truck coming up the road from Hundred. They went to the top of the hill to see where the truck was going and saw the home completely engulfed in flames. The only children living at home at the time were Fred and Martha.

Dan died on January 1, 1940 while visiting his children in Michigan. He is buried at Grandview Cemetery.

I am sorry that more information could not be learned on Dan Stewart. Any man who raised 10 children must have had a very interesting life.

Daniel W. Stewart had nine children. Four were by his first wife, Martha Renner and five were by his second wife, Eva Marriner. The children were
JOHN PARSHALL STEWART the oldest child was born July 29, 1886 in Monongalia County, W. Va. His parents lived for a period in Montana Mines and John may have been born there. Prior to his marriage John lived for a short while with his Uncle, William Stewart, in Point Marion. On November 22, 1908 he married Anna Carolyn Miller at Fairchance, Pa. Anna was the daughter of Alonzo H. and Sarah C. Miller. Anna was born November 5, 1892 in Fairchance. John worked at various jobs in Fairchance, Republic and Cardale, Pa., most of which were connected with the mining industry. John and Anna moved to Youngstown, Ohio. He worked for the Public Brewing Company and then as a maintenance man for Mill Creek Park. John died August 11, 1954. He and Anna had five children.

   1a. John A. Stewart, Jr., born July 17, 1933 at Youngstown, Ohio.
   2a. Lillian A. Stewart, born September 1935 at Youngstown, Ohio. She married to Wetzel Starcher.

2. Milton Q. Stewart, born March 12, 1912 at Republic, Pa. He married June 27, 1932 at New Martinsville, W. Va. to Helen Reilly. I have not been able to find out anymore information on this family.

3. Martha V. Stewart, born November 17, 1914 at Cardale, Pa. She married December 16, 1936 in New Cumberland, W. Va. to Robert L. Woods, son of Raymond B. and Gladys Woods. Robert was born June 24, 1914 at Ironton, Minn. Robert is a railroader and Martha works for the A & P Tea Company. They reside in Youngstown, Ohio. They have two children, both born in Youngstown.

4. Raymond E. Stewart, born May 28, 1917 at Berlin Center, Ohio. He married Mae Ehrenwein on July 25, 1938 at Wellsburg, W. Va. She was the daughter of George and Martha Ehrenwein and was born July 10, 1922 at Youngstown, Ohio. Raymond died January 6, 1972 and is buried at Forest Lawn Memorial Park in Youngstown. Ray and Mae had two children.
   1a. Lanny R. Stewart, born April 2, 1941 at Youngstown.
   2a. Carol Lee Stewart, born April 25, 1943 at Youngstown. She is married to Neil Travis.

5. Shirley L. Stewart, born December 29, 1934 at Youngstown, Ohio. She married on March 28, 1959 at Youngstown to Leroy V. Davis, son of Vernon and Pauline Platt Davis. Leroy was born December 31, 1933 at Lordstown, Ohio. He works as a crane operator for Copperweld Steel. They reside in McDonald, Ohio. Shirley and Leroy have three children, all born in Youngstown.
WILLIAM JERRY QUINTER STEWART was born
February 22, 1892 at Garrison, Greene County,
Pa. He had the honor of being named after
three of uncles. The family bible in
possession of his daughter has just the name
William Jerry. However, in records collected
from his father, Dan, in the 1920's it was
indicated he had three names as we have
listed. William married on June 12, 1912 at
Fairchance, Pa. to Rosa C. Miller, daughter
of Alonzo and Sarah Miller. She was a sister
to Anna, wife of John P. Stewart. Rosie was
born April 23, 1896 at Fairchance. William
was a coal miner all his life and lived in
various locations in Pennsylvania and West
Virginia. William was killed in a coal mine
accident at Mine Number 8 in Farmington,
W, Va. on September 25, 1936. His youngest
son was born after his death. William and
Rosa had eight children.

1. William Jerry Stewart, born March 8,
1941 at Fairchance, Pa. He married on September
25, 1937 at Fairmont, W. Va. to Gertrude Marie Nestor, daughter of Harry and
Elith Ullam Nestor. William is a coal miner and they reside in Fairmont, W.Va.
They have seven children.

married on September 2, 1962 to Elva L. Hickman, daughter of James and Gladys
Hickman. Elva was born April 17, 1936 at Fairmont. They have four children.

1b. Randy Leroy Stewart, born February 7, 1957 at Bellaire, O.

2b. Donald Roy Stewart, born May 22, 1958 at Fairmont.

3b. Brenda Lea Stewart, born March 1, 1960 at Fairmont.


He married August 16, 1969 at Las Vegas, Nevada to Carol Ann Miller.

She married John Romano on February 19, 1959 at Pownathan Point, Ohio. John
was born September 13, 1931, the son of Mary and Antonio Romano. John is
retired from the U. S. Air Force and now works for the U. S. Postal Service.
The Romanos reside in Jacksonville, Fla and have two children.

1b. Victoria Lynn Romano, born November 29, 1959 at Austin, Tex.

2b. Christopher Alan Romano, born November 29, 1963 at Columbus,
Mississippi.

He is married to Carolyn Ann McCaulley.

She married Edward F. Wright on January 23, 1961 at Austin, Texas. Edward was
born on October 14, 1934 at Boston, Mass., the son of Harry and Helen Wright.
Ed works for the U. S. Air Force.

6a. Mary Louise Stewart, born July 19, 1945 at Fairmont, W. Va. She
married on December 22, 1962 at Fairmont to Arlos A. McCoy, son of Kenneth and
Irene McCoy. Arlos was born July 4, 1939 at Weston, W. Va. They have five
children all born in Fairmont.


2. Evelyn Lenora Stewart, born February 22, 1919 at Youngstown, Ohio. She married James J. Carpenter on December 14, 1935 at Oakland, Md. James was born September 25, 1909, the son of Floyd and Lula Ann Baker Carpenter. James was a school teacher. They reside in Fairmont where their two children were born.

1a. James J. Carpenter, Jr. born November 1, 1936. He married November 22, 1958 to Alta Ruth Anderson, daughter of Ernest and Virginia Wood Anderson. Alta was born March 30, 1939 at Smithfield, W. Va. They have three children all born in Fairmont.


2a. Ann Elaine Carpenter, born April 20, 1942. She married December 21, 1966 at Winchester, Va. to Paul Thomas Wolfe, son of Paul and Genevieve Mitchell Wolfe. Paul was born August 13, 1942 in Fairmont. They have two sons, both born in Fairmont.


3. Loretta Stewart, born July 1, 1921 at Youngstown, Ohio. She married February 24, 1940 at Winchester, Va. to Vernon G. Shaffer, son of Oliver and Bertha Price Shaffer. Vernon was born December 29, 1918 at Tunnelton, W.Va. Vernon served in the Navy in World War II and he is now employed as a coal miner. The family resides in Powhatan Point, Ohio. Loretta and Vernon have five children.

1a. Joyce Ann Shaffer, was still born on November 30, 1940 at Farmington W. Va. She is buried at Fairchance, Pa.
2a. Carolyn Sue Shaffer, born December 16, 1941 at Wheeling, W. Va. She married first on June 22, 1963 at Powhatan Point, Ohio to Alexander J. Pamphilis, son of John and Hazel Pamphilis. Alex was born March 8, 1940 at Bellaire, Ohio. He was killed in a fall while working on December 29, 1964. He is buried at Bellaire, Ohio. Carolyn married second to William E. Elrod on September 4, 1968. He was killed in an accident on May 1, 1975 in Florida. Carolyn has three children, one by her first husband and two by her second.

1b. Alexa Sue Pamphilis, born April 4, 1964 at Bellaire, Ohio.

3a. Janice Arlene Shaffer, born September 2, 1945 at Wheeling, W. Va. She married Robert O. Birch on August 23, 1968 at Calcutta, Ohio. He was the son of Oscar and Joyce Birch. They have one son.

1b. Shawn David Birch, born December 9, 1969 at Bellaire.
4a. Thomas Vernon Shaffer, born May 17, 1952 at Bellaire.


5. Daniel Howard Stewart, born April 8, 1929 at Vesta Six, Washington Co., Pa. He married July 5, 1949 at Morgantown, W.Va. to Daulta Mae Corrick, daughter of Lawrence and Huldah Kelley Corrick. Daulta was born July 3, 1933 at Coalton, W. Va. Dan was in the U. S. Marines from 1952 to 1964. He then became a coal miner. He was killed in the mines at Barnesville, Ohio on March 8, 1975. Dan and Daulta have two sons.

1a. Daniel Howard Stewart, Jr. born March 2, 1956 at Barnesville, Ohio.

6. Lawrence Edward Stewart, born April 17, 1931 at Vesta Six, Pa. He married November 11, 1952 at Powhatan Point, Ohio to Neona June Stevens, daughter
of Esau and Sarah Hutchison Stevens. She was born June 10, 1925 at Caldwell, Ohio. Lawrence is a fiber glass engineer. They presently live in Powhatan Point, Ohio and have seven children all born in Bellaire, Ohio.

1a. Crystal Rose Stewart, born February 9, 1953. She married first to Thomas Lee Abbot on April 1, 1971. They have two daughters. She married second to Mickle Henson.


3a. Linda Ramal Stewart, born August 2, 1958. She married on October 16, 1972 at Parrisburg, Va. to Frank D. Hurst. They have two children, both born in Bellaire.

1b. Dianne Ramal Hurst, born February 1, 1975.


5a. Joyce Stewart, born January 2, 1963, twin of


7. Challen Wayman Stewart, born July 31, 1934 at Waynesburg, Pa. He married on October 16, 1954 at Steubenville, Ohio to Katherine Louise Corrick, daughter of Lawrence and Huldah Kelley Corrick. She is a sister of Daulta who married Challen's brother, Daniel. Katherine was born March 18, 1925 at Morgantown, W. Va. Challen is a minister with the Nazarene Church. They have two children both born in Bellaire, Ohio.


8. Harry Eugene Stewart, born April 23, 1937 at Farmington, W. Va. He was married at Powhatan Point, Ohio to Rosaline Brown on April 5, 1958. Rosaline was born June 4, 1940, the daughter of Herman and Velma Boger Brown. Harry served in the U. S. Air Force and presently works in the steel mills. They have six children all born in Bellaire.


Frank Stewart
DONLEY FRANKLIN STEWART was born October 9, 1896 at Garrison, Pa. He went by the name Frank all of his life. He married on June 3, 1919 at Garrison, Pa. to Francis Audrey Berdine, daughter of Joseph and Frances Gates Berdine. She was born November 14, 1894 at Garrison, Pa. Frank and Audrey had five children. After her death he married Nellie Fincane. They had no children. Frank started to work in the coal mines, but finding that not to his liking he went to work in the oil fields. He followed that trade on to Michigan when work became scarce in Pa. He remained in the oil fields until his death on March 6, 1966. He is buried in Lakeview, Michigan. All of his children were born in Garrison.


2b. Garret W. Vander Hooning, born September 23, 1975


1b. Jennifer Terese Spink, born October 11, 1970 the twin of


3a. Audrey Marie Stewart, born November 11, 1953. She married Ronald K. Naylor on June 24, 1972 at Lakeview, Mich. He was born July 8, 1948 at Fairbury, Nebraska, son of Benjamin and Ethel Naylor.

1b. Brenda Jean Naylor, born December 17, 1974 at Lakeview.


2. Zane Franklin Stewart, born July 15, 1922. He married on August 22, 1947 at Reed City, Mich. to Faune A. Barkdoll. She was born July 21, 1928 at Reed City. Zane was in the U. S. Army in World War II. He received the Bronze Star for his service. He was disabled in the Battle of the Bulge. Both Zane and his wife, Faune, are chiropractors. They have one son.

1a. Zane Forest Stewart, born July 28, 1951 at Reed City.

3. Wilma Celest Stewart, born September 18, 1924. She married Wayne K. Johnson on February 14, 1947 at Caro, Mich. Wayne was born June 27, 1923 at Reed City, the son of Carl and Christina Klumpp Johnson. Wayne and Wilma are dairy farmers. Wayne is a Justice of the Peace and has served for several years as member of the Reed City School Board. They have three children, all born in Reed City.

1a. Karen Jean Johnson, born January 2, 1948. She married June 10, 1967 at Hersey, Mich. to Robert J. Morlock, son of John and Helen Morlock. Robert was born January 4, 1944 at Reed City. They have a dairy farm in Reed City.

1b. Tamara Lynn Morlock, born April 1, 1970 at Big Rapids, Mich.

2b. Jeffery John Morlock, born September 24, 1974 at Reed City.


la. Connie Lou Poynor, born May 21, 1948 at Big Rapids. She married October 12, 1968 to Elton Leo Ervin. He was born November 11, 1937 at Shep pard, Michigan. They have three children, all born at Lakeview.


2a. Janice Eileen Poynor, born May 26, 1950 at Flint, Mich. She married Larry Shenefield on December 28, 1968 at Greenville, Mich. He was born November 30, 1943 in Detroit, Mich. the son of Gerald and Charlotte Shenefield. Their two sons were both born in Lakeview.


1b. Michael Lee Jura, born July 12, 1972 at Lakeview.


6a. Sheryl Louise Poynor, born June 20, 1961 at Lakeview.

5. Betty Rose Stewart, born January 27, 1928. She married George Whitecotton. They have four children.

1a. Jerry Whitecotton.
2a. Carol Whitecotton.
3a. Bob Whitecotton.
4a. Tad Whitecotton.

TONNY TRAVIS STEWART was born August 17, 1898 at Garrison, Pa. He married first on August 15, 1923 at Waynesburg, Pa. to Mary Florence Shough. She was the daughter of Howard and Jenny Shough, and was born November 15, 1904. They had one son. Tony married second on March 3, 1936 to Crena A. Faling, daughter of Orin E. and Ida Packard Faling. Crena was born June 19, 1911 in Lakeview. They had two children. Tony died February 21, 1976.

1. Lloyd T. Stewart, born May 7, 1924 at Garrison, Pa. He married Barbara Ann Nacy on November 3, 1947 in Detroit, Mich. Barbara was born September 30, 1928 in Grosse Pointe, Mich. She was the daughter of Dawson and Violet Nacy. Lloyd served with the Army Air Force in World War II. They have five
children all born in Ypsilanti, Mich.


2. Jesslyme G. Stewart, born April 20, 1942 at Lakeview, Mich. She married on May 12, 1963 at Jackson, Mich. to Clyde D. Wright, son of Austin and Icie Wright. Clyde was born in Allen, Ky. on January 31, 1940.


   2a. Patricia Lynne Heideman, born March 1, 1965 at Jackson.

Charles Stewart at his retirement party in 1972.

CHARLES EDWARD STEWART was born May 27, 1906 at Garrison, Pa. He married October 3, 1928 at Springville, N. Y. to Leona Altmann, daughter of Joseph & Mary Altmann. She was born October 3, 1906 in Springville, N. Y. Charlie was a machinist and shop superintendent for Winsmith, Inc. in Springville, N. Y. He retired in 1972. Charlie died in April, 1976. Charles and Leona's three daughters were all born in Springville, N. Y.

1. Shirley M. Stewart, born July 15, 1930. She married July 15, 1950 at
2. Susan I. Stewart, born March 21, 1932. She married February 2, 1957 in Albany, N.Y. to Francis Brown, son of Francis and Helen Buckley Brown. Francis was born October 19, 1928 at Brooklyn, N.Y. Both Susan and Francis are graduates of the State University of New York at Albany. They have three children, all born in Albany, N.Y.


DANIEL WEBSTER STEWART was born March 12, 1908 at Garrison, Pa. He married September 3, 1938 to Amelia May Finucane, daughter of Michael and Agnes Taylor Finucane. Amelia was born November 7, 1915 at Lakeview. Dan worked as a cable tool driller in the oil fields. They have two children.

1. Hugh Douglas Stewart, born June 1, 1943 at Reed City, Mich. He married July 11, 1970 to Kathleen M. Eberle, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Norman Eberle. Kathleen was born September 8, 1948 at Kohler, Wis. Hugh graduated from Michigan State University in 1965 and now works for E. W. Bliss Company in Salem, Ohio. They have two children both born in Salem, Ohio.


2. Kay Lorraine Stewart, born December 20, 1947. She married June 13, 1970 to Robert L. Breese. Kay graduated from college in 1970 and was teaching school when she died June 14, 1974. There were no children.

ALBERT MEREDITH STEWART was born April 9, 1909 at Garrison, Pa. He married April 9, 1930 to Mabel Pauline Moore, daughter of Harry and Florence Sutton Moore. Mable was born October 6, 1906 in Sedalia, W. Va. She died October 16, 1973 at Lakeview. Bert worked in the oil fields near Lakeview. They did not have any children.

LAURENCE FREDERICK STEWART was born July 18, 1912 at Garrison, Pa. Fred married Julia Agnes Finucane, daughter of Michael and Agnes Taylor Finucane on August 10, 1938. Julis was born May 27, 1917 in Lakeview. Fred is self employed in the oil field business. Fred and Julia have four children.

1. Michael Daniel Stewart, born March 9, 1941 at Zeeland, Mich. He
Martha, Dan and Fred Stewart

Martha and Lloyd Jobes

married September 10, 1960 at Sand Lake, Mich. to Barbara Jean Ludthe. She was born May 2, 1941 at Sand Lake, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Ludthe. Michael graduated from Michigan State University in 1963 as a mechanical engineer. There are four children.


2. James Frederick, Stewart, born April 30, 1946 at Reed City, Mich. He married July 1, 1967 to Rebecca G. Jensen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dale Jensen. Rebecca was born June 18, 1946. They have two children, both born in Lakeview.


Martha Jane Stewart was the youngest child and the only girl born in the family. Martha was born March 19, 1916 at Garrison, Pa. She married Lloyd A. Jobes on October 21, 1933. Lloyd was born June 24, 1912 at Hundred, W. Va. They lived for several years in Garrison before they moved to Reed City, Mich. They have four children.

1. Albert J. Jobes, born September 19, 1934 at Garrison, Pa. He married December 22, 1958 in Amsterdam, Holland to Sonja Van Doornik. Sonja was born March 3, 1940 in Den Haag, Holland. Albert is retired from the U. S. Army with over 23 years of service. The family now live in Bloomington, Minn.
they have three children.

2. Anita L. Jobes, born February 28, 1936 at Garrison, Pa. She married
on February 25, 1956 at Angola, Ind. to John L. Gydesen, son of Morris and
Bernice Gydesen. John was born April 27, 1934 in Luther, Mich. They were
divorced and Anita married second to Vernon Lee Bailey. They live in Pachuta,
Mississippi.
  1a. Gregory L. Gydesen (adopted), born July 8, 1955 at Reed City.
  2a. John R. Gydesen, born November 20, 1957 at Reed City.

3. Lloyd A. Jobes, Jr. born January 10, 1938 at Garrison, Pa. He married
Naomi R. Karns on December 25, 1959 in Reed City. Naomi was born April 13,
1941 in Reed City, the daughter of Fred and Esther Karns They have three
children, all born in Reed City.

4. Paulette M. Jobes, born April 12, 1944 at Reed City. She married Leroy
Reid on June 16, 1962 at Big Rapids, Mich. Leroy was born June 18, 1940 in
Reed City and was the son of John and Esther Reid. Paulette and Leroy have a
200 acre farm where they raise beef cattle.

Left to right - Martha Jobes, Bert Stewart, Opal Pettit, Fred
Stewart, Tony Stewart, Charles Stewart, Frank Stewart and Dan
Stewart.
Jeremiah M. Stewart was the eight child of Daniel and Rebecca Stewart. He was born May 27, 1864 in Dunkard Township, Greene County, Pa. Jeremiah was known as Jerry or Jer all of his life. He was six years old when the family moved to Stewartstown.

In the 1880 census, Jerry was 16 years of age and his occupation was listed as laborer. The census record also indicates he had attended school within the census year.

The laborer designation given to Jerry indicated he was doing work or others at the age of 16. This would include working on the home farm and doing work for neighbors. He may also have been working on Lock 9 which was being built at Hoard, W. Va. at this time.

Jerry was married three times. He had children by his first and second wives.

Jerry married first on May 31, 1884 to Nancy M. Hoard, daughter of William and Clarinda Morris Hoard. Nannie, as she was called, was born on April 13, 1886. She died of tuberculosis on February 21, 1886. Nannie is buried at Eden Cemetery in Stewartstown. Jerry and Nannie had one daughter, Jessie, born in 1885.

Jerry married second to Sarah C. Deffenbaugh. She was born December 17,
1854 at High House, Pa. Jerry and Sarah, also called Sade, had two children, Edward born in 1891 and Lizzie born in 1893.

A great tragedy befell this family on February 28, 1897. At that time they lived in a house on Morgantown Street in Point Marion. Lizzie was just a small child nearly four years of age. Somehow she got too close to the open fireplace and her clothing caught on fire. Sarah tried to put out the flames and her clothing also caught fire. Some men working about 500 yards away along the Monongahela River saw the flames through the window of the house. They rushed to the house but were too late to save Lizzie or Sade. Lizzie died almost immediately, but Sade lingered for several days dying on March 3, 1897.

Sylvia Baker, who was 9 years old at the time, could recall the incident very well. The severely burned Sade was taken to Will Stewart’s home on Sadler Street. Uncle Keener’s family lived on Walnut Hill and could look down on Point Marion. Everyone knew Sade could not live. When she died a white sheet was waived from the porch. Uncle Keener’s family saw the signal and then knew she had passed away. Both Sade and Lizzie were laid to rest at Eden Cemetery.

After this event Jerry took Jessie and Ed and went to live with his mother in Stewartstown. Aunt Myrtie Blosser told this strange story of an occurrence during this time. She was staying with her mother at this time also.

It was still cold weather and all of the beds had been moved downstairs. Aunt Myrtie and her mother, Rebecca, were sleeping in one bed and Jerry and his children, Jessie and Ed were in the other. One night the children were very restless and would not go to sleep. Jerry told them he was going to the devil to get them. Still they wouldn’t go to sleep. Finally, Jerry called out, “Old Scratch, come and get these children!” At that moment foot steps crossed the upstairs floor. Jerry then said, “Come on foot steps, come down the stairs.” Down the stairs and up to door of the room came the foot steps. At this instant Rebecca jumped out of bed and dared Jerry to tell the steps to
Jerry never said another word.

On October 27, 1897 Jerry married as his third wife, Anna Belle Stewart Blosser. Belle was born April 4, 1867 and was the daughter of Albert and Susan Stewart. She was the widow of Charles Blosser by whom she had three daughters, Olive, Sudie and Audrey.

It was about this period that Jerry moved to the old Albert Stewart home in Buffalo Pound Hollow. This was over the ridge toward the Monongahela River from Stewartstown. Jerry worked full time as a track foreman for the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad. He also farmed.

Jerry had the usual Stewart trait of being a very friendly person. He was well liked by everyone and always loved to attend the Stewart Reunions. He was president of the reunion for a number of years.

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Jeremiah Stewart had three children. The first was by his first wife, Nannie Hoard, the second and third by his second wife, Sarah C. Deffenbaugh. He did not have any children by his third wife, Anne Belle Stewart Blosser.

JESSIE STEWART was born January 8, 1885 at Stewartstown. She married on November 16, 1904 at Cumberland, Md. to McElroy (Mackie) Stewart. He was born November 27, 1884 at Stewartstown, the son of Ephriam and Buena Stewart. Jessie and Mackie resided in Point Marion for several years and both of their children were born there. Later they moved to Morgantown, W. Va. Mackie died January 13, 1960. He is buried at Mount Union Cemetery. As of this writing Jessie is still living in Morgantown and is the oldest living grandchild of Daniel and Rebecca Stewart. They had two daughters.

      1b. Tandra Sue Garner, born November 1, 1957.
   2a. Robert Leonard Hess, born April 19, 1941. He married to Linda Arford. They have one child.
   3a. Beverly Diane Hess, born June 29, 1944. She married Darrell Wayne McAvoy. They have four children.

2. Mable Lenora Stewart, born September 16, 1909 at Point Marion. She married Everett William Wolfe. Everett was born June 14, 1909. Mable died July 8, 1967 and is buried at Mount Union Cemetery. They did not have any children. They had one adopted son, Timothy.

EDWARD MORGAN STEWART, the second child was born February 20, 1891 at New Salem, Pa. He married October 3, 1917 at Point Marion to Manilla May Pounds. May was born May 17, 1898, the daughter of W. E. and Molly Pounds. Ed Stewart lived in
Point Marion and worked for the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad. They have eight children.

1. Jeremiah Stewart, born February 11, 1919 at Point Marion and died March 3, 1919. He was buried at Eden Cemetery.

2. Edward M. Stewart, Jr. was born February 11, 1919, at twin of Jeremiah. He was accidently killed by a train on August 5, 1946. He was buried in Evergreen Memorial Cemetery in Point Marion. He married Irene Keener. They had four children.
   2a. Elizabeth B. Stewart, born March 25, 1942.

3. Lillian M. Stewart was born July 15, 1921 at Point Marion. She married Eugene Myers. They had no children. They operate Myers Cleaners in Point Marion.

4. Ruth M. Stewart, born June 16, 1924 at Point Marion. She married Richard Travis. He was born March 4, 1923. They have two children.
   1a. Raymond Travis, born June 11, 1946. He married Dorothy La Marr. She was born June 30, 1947. They have three children.
      1b. Tammy Travis, born October 31, 1968.

   2a. Pamela J. Devault, born October 11, 1954. She married Fred Hagedorn.

6. Arthur R. Stewart, born February 8, 1929 at Point Marion. He married first to Teresa Vernon and second to Brenda Taylor. He had two children, one by each wife.

7. Alberta Stewart born September 18, 1934 at Point Marion. She married Frank Smith. They have three children.

8. Paul J. Stewart, born May 21, 1937 at Point Marion. He married on January 28, 1957 at Oakland, Md. to Emily Frankenberry. She was born April 10, 1939. They have three children.
   3a. Patty S. Stewart, born March 6, 1964.

LIZZIE STEWART was the youngest child and was born May 4, 1893 at Point Marion. She died on February 28, 1897 as the result of burns when she accidently fell into a fireplace. She is buried at Eden Cemetery.
WILLIAM STEWART

William and Sarah Stewart
about 1888

William Stewart was the eleventh child of Daniel and Rebecca Stewart. He was born April 26, 1867 in Dunkard Township, Greene County, Pa. He was three years old when the Stewarts moved to Stewartstown.

In the 1880 census William was listed as 14 years of age with the occupation of Laborer. What little schooling he had was at the Pleasant Hill School near his home. At an early age he started trapping and dealing in furs. Sylvia Baker, said that he often walked over the mountains to Bruceton Mills, W. Va. to buy furs from farmers. She also said he had a fur shed in the Ice's Ferry area where he cured and stored his furs. His love of hunting, trapping and fishing continued all of his life.

During this period of his early teens he also helped on the family farm and may have worked on the construction of Lock 9 on the Monongahela River at Hoard Rocks. He also started at an early age working in the West Virginia woods cutting timber. One of his best friends from boyhood was Jesse Blosser, who later married Bill's sister, Myrtle.

William married, at age 16, on September 22, 1883 to Sarah Elizabeth Robison. Sarah was born April 26, 1868 and was 15 years of age. She was the daughter of Reuben and Elizabeth Robison of Stewartstown. The marriage took place in Jack and Lizzie Stewarts home in Point Marion.
William was called Will or Bill all of his life. Sarah went by Sally.

Immediately after their marriage Bill and Sally settled in Point Marion. At first they lived either with Dave or Jack Stewart. Their first home was located where the McClain Sand Company formerly was located on the north side of the Cheat River. Bill and Sally’s three oldest children were born at this location.

In 1888 Bill purchased a lot on Sadler Street in Point Marion. He built a four room house on this location. It was finished by April 27, 1889 because the next child, Sylvia, was born in the house on that date. All the rest of their children were born in this house. In 1903 a large addition was added to the house. Bill and Sally’s home became the center of Stewart family activity. Here the family gathered for many sad and many happy occasions. A large number of funerals were held in the house. When the Stewart Reunion was held family members started arriving several days in advance. Everyone was in a joyous and happy mood during this occasion.

Bill Stewart held various jobs during his life. By trade he was a carpenter. For many years he worked as a carpenter for E. J. Conn. He also helped Mr. Conn in his undertaking business. Bill also worked for several years for Dewings Lumber Mill. It was during this period that he went into the West Virginia mountains, near Coopers Rocks to cut timber. This timber was floated down the Cheat River during high water and caught in Dewing’s big booms in Point Marion.

When the glass factories started arriving in Point Marion he went to work for them. Bill joined L. J. Houze when he broke away to form his own glass plant about 1902. He helped construct the plant buildings and continued with Houze until his death. After the plant was completed and in operation Bill worked primarily as a box maker.

Bill and Sally Stewart were great church workers and along with Aunt Myrtie and Uncle Jess Blosser were instrumental in the founding of the Trinity Methodist Church in Point Marion. The first meetings were held early in 1894, with the church being completed in 1900. Bill served as the first chairman of the Board of Trustees.

In addition to raising a family of eleven children Bill and Sally also took in boarders. They also had a reputation for taking in anyone who had no place else to go. One character who stated with them for a period of time was Doctor Alpheus Stewart. “Doc” Stewart was a medical doctor and practiced in the Point Marion area. As far as I can determine he is not related to our family.

William Stewart was a member of the first borough council of Point Marion and was very influential in the affairs of Point Marion for many years. Council meetings were often held in the Stewart parlor. Although poorly educated Bill had good common sense and was often sought by folks needing advice.

Sally Stewart was a hard working woman. She bore eleven children and suffered deeply when five of them died young. She was a great cook and had to be to feed her family and all the others who were boarding or happened by.
raised a garden in her back yard and canned large amounts of food. It was common for her to can 200 gallons of jelly in one summer. James Baker can still fondly recall his grandmother's homemade bread to this day.

On February 23, 1924 Sally died. She had laid down on the couch to rest and passed away. Her grandson, Clyde Sisley, who was living with her at the time came in and found her.

Bill lived for a while longer at his home, but eventually moved in with his daughter, Sylvia. He died of cancer on January 16, 1929. Both he and Sally were buried at Eden Cemetery in Stewartstown. They had eleven children.

The family of William and Sarah Stewart

Front left to right, Charlie, William, Bona, Ruth, Sarah, and Lloyd. Top Sylvia, Alice and Stella. Taken about 1909 or 1910

JESSY D. STEWART was born September 13, 1884 at Point Marion and was the first child of William and Sarah. He died June 8, 1886 and is buried at Eden Cemetery. The spelling of this child's name is taken directly from his tombstone. It is not know what the D stands for, but is is probably either Daniel or David.

FRANKEY STEWART, the second child was born August 14, 1886 at Point Marion and died August 20, 1886. He was buried at Eden Cemetery. The spelling of this child's name was also taken directly from his tombstone.
ALICE LEONA STEWART was born July 17, 1887 at Point Marion. Alice was born in the house that William and Sarah lived in that is now the site of the McClain Sand Company on the Springhill Township side of the Cheat River. At this time her father was tending the ferry. Alice married on November 10, 1908 to Lloyd R. Colebank, son of Franklin and Elizabeth Stone Colebank. Lloyd was born July 25, 1885. The Colebank family lived just across the Monongahela River from Point Marion on Walnut Hill. Alice and Lloyd went to housekeeping in an old log house that was near his mother’s home. They later moved to Blosser Hill. Lloyd worked all his life as a coal miner. Alice and Lloyd were very active in the Trinity Methodist Church in Point Marion. Alice was one of the charter members of the church. She served as president of the Ladies Aid Society and also as a teacher in Sunday School. Lloyd was an officer of the church, serving many years as the treasurer. Alice died March 10, 1952 and Lloyd died October 3, 1955. Both are buried in the Evergreen Memorial Cemetery in Point Marion. They had four children, all of whom were born near Point Marion.

1. Sarah Elizabeth Colebank, born October 28, 1910. She married June 29, 1930 in Henryetta, Okla. to Thomas E. McClain. Thomas was born February 1, 1910 in Doddridge County, W.Va. They have lived in Henryetta since their marriage. Tom is employed as a glass worker and Elizabeth works in the Henryetta hospital. They have two daughters.
   1a. Lavena McClain, born November 30, 1931 in Henryetta. She married September 9, 1956 to Jean L. Spradling. They have one daughter.
   1b. Sheryl Spradling, born in 1954.
2a. Edwina McClain, born February 1, 1940. She is unmarried.

2. Virginia Ruth Colebank, born September 26, 1913. She married on January 4, 1936 to Andrew Bohan, son of John and Anna Bohan. Andy was born October 14, 1914 at Rices Landing, Pa. and died February 12, 1958. He is buried in Evergreen Memorial Cemetery in Point Marion. Andy worked as a coal miner. Virginia now lived in her parent’s home place on Blosser Hill. She and Andy had four children, all of whom were born near Point Marion.
   1a. Andrew Lloyd Bohan, born October 15, 1936. He married July 7, 1958 to Virginia M. Reed, daughter of William and Thelma Reed. Virginia was born August 28, 1941 in Morgantown, W.Va. Andrew and Virginia now reside near Williamsport, Md., where Andrew works for a trucking company. They have three children, all born in Hagerstown, Md.
   2a. John Joseph Bohan, born May 2, 1938. John is unmarried and lives with his mother. He is employed with the coal industry.
   3a. Charlotte Ellen Bohan, born December 21, 1939. She married September 3, 1960 at Oakland, Md. to Delbert Easter. They have three children.
3. William Franklin Colebank, born May 19, 1918. He married August 18, 1951 to Dorothy Elinor Bligard, daughter of Oluf and Anna Bligard. Elinor was born June 11, 1923 in Minneapolis, Minn. William served in the U. S. Army for 20 years until his retirement. He then worked for several years as an auditor for the U. S. Government. Elinor works as a librarian. At the present time they live in Bloomington, Minn. They have one son.


1a. Jo Ann Colebank, born April 18, 1947. She married November 22, 1968 to Patrick Falcinella, son of Mr. & Mrs. A. A. Falcinella. Pat was born May 2, 1947 at Memphis, Tenn. They have two children.

1b. Robynn Lynn Falcinella, born March 9, 1970.

2a. Patricia Gayle Colebank, born December 17, 1948. She married October 25, 1968 to Dana A. Moore, son of Mr. & Mrs. B. J. Moore. Dana was born March 10, 1947 in Newport, Ark. They have two children.


3a. Judy Kaye Colebank, born October 29, 1951. She married on July 17, 1971 to Kenneth Ballard, son of Johnny and Rita Ballard. Kenneth was born August 24, 1951 in Searcy, Ark. They have one daughter.


Sylvia Bell Stewart was born April 27, 1889 in Point Marion. She was born in the house that William and Sarah built on Sadler Street. All the succeeding children of William and Sarah were born in this house also. At the age of 10 years Sylvia went to work as a cook and housekeeper for Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Conn. She continued to work at various jobs in Point Marion until her marriage on December 22, 1910 to Charles O. Baker. Charlie was born March 23, 1881 at Friendship Hill and was the son of James and Laura Hare Baker. After their marriage they lived for a time on Blosser Hill, prior to moving to Monesson, Pa. In 1920 they returned to the Old Baker home on Blosser Hill which they purchased from Charlie's mother. Charlie Baker was an electrician by profession. Both Sylvia and Charlie were active in the Trinity Methodist Church in Point Marion. They both served as trustees and Sylvia had a very popular Sunday School class for young women. One of the Women's circles at the United Methodist Church in Point Marion is named after her. Charles died June 27, 1952. Sylvia continued to live at the home place for several years before moving to Point Marion. She died February 13, 1974. Both are buried at Evergreen Memorial Cemetery in Point Marion. The Stewart Reunion was held for many years at the Baker home. Sylvia was also the source of a great deal of the information found in this book. She loved to recall the old days of the Stewart family and of the fun to be had at the reunions. Sylvia and Charlie had seven sons.
Visitors to the Baker home

Bottom row left to right, M. Johnson*, Osborn Baker, Jim Baker, Clyde Sisley, Elizabeth Colebank, Bill Colebank, Virginia Colebank

1. William Osborne Baker, was born September 30, 1911 at Blosser Hill. He married July 7, 1935 to Pauline Wigner, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Clyde Wigner. Shortly after their marriage they moved to Bethesda, Md. They continue to reside there today. Bill works as a salesman and Pauline is very active in the Eastern Star. They had five sons, all born in Maryland.

1a. David Lee Baker, born September 25, 1936. He married Barbara Wentworth. She was born April 18, 1939. David is in the farm produce business and resides near Clear Spring, Md. They have three children.


2a. John Paul Baker, born December 13, 1937. He was married on August 9, 1958 at Bethesda, Md., to Pamela L. Koehler, daughter of Francis and Lucille Koehler. Pam was born August 12, 1941 at Washington D.C. John is in the retail ice cream business. John and Pam have five children.


3a. William Baker. This child died very young.

4a. Thomas Baker. Tommy is in the ice cream business and lives in the Boston Mass. area.

5a. Robert Wigner Baker, born March 27, 1945. He married Donna Marie Emerson on December 4, 1965. She is the daughter of Thomas and Lucy Emerson. Donna was born January 3, 1946 in Winchester, Va. Bob works as a salesman. They have two children.


2. James Patterson Baker, was born December 4, 1915 at Monesson, Pa. He married August 9, 1938 at Oakland, Md., to Margaret L. Thorn, daughter of John and Vinnie Thorn. Margaret was born May 2, 1918 at Morgantown, W. Va. James worked for a number of years as a machinist for the Houze Glass Company in
Point Marion. In 1954 the family moved to Rockville, Md. Jim is now employed by the U. S. Postal Service. James and Margaret have two children.

1a. Gordon Charles Baker, born June 1, 1939 at Morgantown, W. Va. Gordon is the compiler of this book. He is employed by the U. S. Postal Service as a Personnel Officer.


3. Wilbur Lake Baker, was born July 18, 1917 at Monesson, Pa. He choked to death on a screw on October 10, 1918. He is buried in Grandview Cemetery in Monesson, Pa.

4. Quinter Stewart Baker, born March 26, 1920 at Belle Vernon, Pa. He was married February 14, 1942 at Wichita Falls, Texas to Jessie Murn Hall, daughter of Wade and Molly Hall. Jessie Murn was born December 17, 1920 in Uniontown, Pa. Quinter served in the Army in World War II. He now resides in Rockville, Md. and works for the District of Columbia government. Quinter and Jesse Murn have one daughter.

1a. Renee Murn Baker, born September 11, 1947 in Baltimore, Md. Renee was married on May 8, 1976 in Rockville, Md. to Marshall Bruce Lee, son of William C. and Louise Lee. He was born October 7, 1949 at Sandy Spring, Md. He served in the U. S. Army. Both Renee and Bruce work for the U. S. Postal Service.

5. Charles Baker, Jr., was born January 26, 1922 at Blosser Hill. Charles served in the U. S. Marine Corp in World War II. He was in the invasion and battle of Iwo Jima. He married Adaline Hibbs on October 9, 1946 at Oakland, Md. Adaline was the daughter of Ernest and Edna Hibbs. She was born February 23, 1929 at Rivesville, W. Va. Charles worked as an electrician for his father and with the Houze Glass Company in Point Marion, prior to moving to Warren, Ohio. Adaline died in Warren, Ohio on September 10, 1964. Charles married second to Nancy Charles and Adaline Baker had four children.


1b. Stacy DeCost.


6. Clayton Wilbur Baker, born October 18, 1924 at Blosser Hill. He died on June 16, 1930. His death was due to a strep throat. He was buried at Evergreen Memorial Cemetery in Point Marion, Pa.

7. Dale Baker, was still born on February 12, 1927. He is buried at Eden Cemetery in Stewartstown.
ESTELLA STEWART was born February 5, 1891. She married at Uniontown, Pa. to Ellis E. Sisley, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Sisley. Ellis was born January 13, 1893 at Gans, Pa. Stella died on October 20, 1918 during the great flu epidemic of 1918. She had given birth to a son four days earlier and he died at birth. During this flu epidemic it was rare for pregnant women to survive if they got the flu. Her father, William Stewart, held the funeral service for her and she was buried at Eden Cemetery at Stewartstown. Ellis later remarried. He died on November 28, 1976. Stella and Ellis had two children.

1. Clyde Ellis Sisley, born July 29, 1913 at Point Marion. He married on June 23, 1942 at Baltimore, Md. to Edna Biggs. Clyde served in the Merchant Marines in World War II. He now resides in Arlington, Va. Clyde and Edna have one daughter.


2. Stewart Edward Sisley, died at birth on October 16, 1918. He is buried at Grandview Cemetery in Monesson, Pa.

MILLIE STEWART was born May 8, 1894 and died February 11, 1896. She was the sixth child of William and Sarah Stewart and was buried at Eden Cemetery.

REBECCA STEWART was born September 18, 1896. Rebecca had a heart condition. In those days babies with her condition were know as blue babies. She lived to be almost 10 years old, dying on June 2, 1906. She was well known in Point Marion because she was a great singer and would often stand on the street corners and sing hymns. She was very weakly and had to be carrier almost everywhere. When she died the following was printed in the local newspaper: "The death of Rebecca, the young daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Stewart, of Point Marion, Pa. gathered the people together at the funeral services in a manner extraordinary upon the death of a child. For some three years the child had been in feeble health, but not of such a nature as confined her all
the time to the home. Her gentle, patient manner won the hearts of the people. She seemed absolutely uncomplaining. She answered cheerily all inquiries after her health. Her life showed how people are attracted by gentleness and patience. Dickens' genius as a writer is seen in the production of the character of Little Nell. In telling of her death, he says "Dear, gentle, patient, noble Nell was dead," and to many the deceased will be remembered as ideal, gentle, patient Rebecca. She was borne from the home to the church, preceded by the girls of her Sunday-school class, and a few others, dressed in white and bearing bouquets. A large audience filled the church during the services, and it was a matter to cause reflection on human life to those more than three-score and ten looking down on the face of a child who had fallen asleep in her tenth year. The interment was at Eden Church, where many of the friends of the community had gathered, together with the pastor of the church at that place. George W. Morris

Charles Webster Stewart was born March 24, 1899. He married February 22, 1923 to Mabelle Ralston, daughter of James and Ida Ralston. Mabelle was born February 14, 1899 in Crenshaw, Pa. Charles was a chiropractor in Morgantown, W. Va., but his business was ruined by the depression. He moved to Canton, Ohio where he worked as a letter carrier for the Post Office. Charles and Mabelle were great church workers and very active in lodge affairs. Charles served as President of the Stewart Reunion for many years up until his death. Charles died May 13, 1966 and Mabelle died January 24, 1971. Both are buried in Canton, Ohio.

They had three children.

1. Charles William Stewart, born July 4, 1924 at Morgantown, W. Va. He married on September 6, 1948 to Frances A. Jordan. They had four children. He remarried on December 9, 1960 to Dorothy Cochran Knight.
   1a. Susan L. Stewart, born December 6, 1949. Married Michael Eades,
   1b. Grady Eades
4a. Mary K. Stewart, born in August 1958
5a. Tracy Stewart, born February 1, 1962

2. Robert Bruce Stewart, born September 25, 1926 at Morgantown, W.Va. He
married first to Anne M. Barth and had two children. He married second to
Kathy, Roberta L. Dunbar, daughter of Bert and Agnes Dunbar. Kathy was born
June 13, 1937 at Canton, Ohio. They have three children. Bruce works for the
U. S. Postal Service in Canton. All the children were born in Canton.

3. Myrtie LaVerne Stewart, born October 20, 1928 at Point Marion. She
married first to Robert W. Lewis, and had one son. She married second to Don
Early and they have two children. LaVerne and Don presently live in Riverside,
California. All the children were born in Canton, Ohio.

LLOYD RUSSELL STEWART was born January 21, 1902
at Point Marion. He was married May 8, 1926 to
Helen Ide, daughter of William and Hannah Ide.
Helen was born January 24, 1907 in Jefferson,
Pa. Lloyd and Helen were married in the home
of Charlie and Sylvia Baker. Lloyd worked in
the Point Marion Post Office for several years
before moving to Donora, Pa. where he went to
work in the mills. He died on August 16, 1943
as the result of an injury he received at work.
He is buried in Evergreen Memorial Cemetery in
Point Marion. Helen now resides in Inglewood,
California. They had two sons.

1. Karol Reed Stewart, born June 16, 1930
at Blosser Hill. He married first to Beverly
Stockton and had four children. He married
second to Mary Jane Resendes, daughter of Joseph
and Marie Resendes. Mary Jane was born May 22,
1937 at Portsmouth, Rhode Island. Karol and Mary Jane have two children.
Karol served in the U. S. Air Force. He works as a systems manager and has
been employed in various parts of the world in his work.
1a. Karen A. Stewart, born August 12, 1953 at Travis AFB, Ca.
January 9, 1974 she married Bruce Peck III. They have one son.
1b. Bruce Peck IV.
5a. Kristina Stewart, born August 31, 1972 at Newport, R.I.

2. Barry K. Stewart, born May 20, 1935 at Blosser Hill. He married July
11, 1958 to Joan E. Hovde, daughter of Alf and Mabel Hovde. Joan was born
September 5, 1932 at Norwich, North Dakota. Barry served in the U. S. Army.
Barry works as a surveyor. They have four children.


RENA STEWART was born July 12, 1905 and was a twin to Ruth. The birth of twins to William and Sarah Stewart caused a sensation in Point Marion. It was the first time that twins had been born in the town for many years. Rena married September 22, 1926 at Point Marion to Percy H. Smith, son of Ami and Martha Smith. Percy was born April 17, 1898 near Bruceton Mills, W.Va. Percy and Rena lived for a short time in Morgantown, W.Va. and then moved to a farm near Bruceton Mills. In addition to farming Percy also worked for the State of West Virginia. Percy died February 21, 1962. Rena lives in Bruceton Mills. Rena and Percy Smith had three sons.

1. Percy Ronald Smith, born October 10, 1927 at Morgantown, W.Va. He married October 1, 1949 to Freda Bishoff, daughter of Glenn and Daisy Bishoff. Freda was born May 12, 1932 in Albright, W.Va. They now reside in Bruceton Mills, W.Va. Ronald works as a rural carrier for the U.S. Postal Service. They have two sons.

1a. Ronald Lynn Smith, born January 19, 1951 at Morgantown, W.Va. He married February 26, 1971 to Scottie Burke, daughter of Richard and LaRuth Burke. Scottie was born May 8, 1949 at Jackhorn, Ky. They have one daughter.

1b. Buffy Lynn Smith, born January 4, 1972 at Amherst, Ohio.


2. Glenn Stewart Smith, born November 18, 1934 at Blosser Hill. He married Barbara West. Glenn operated a retail bottled gas business. He and Barbara reside in Bruceton Mills and have two daughters.


1b. Chad Stewart Evans, born December 5, 1976.


RUTH STEWART born July 12, 1905 and the twin sister of Rena. Ruth died on January 30, 1913. She is buried at Eden Cemetery.

Left to right Bert Stewart, Jesse Blosser, Margaret Baker, Mable Stewart, Charlie & Sylvia Baker, Helen & Lloyd Stewart, Rena, Marvin & Percy Smith. About 1941

FAMILY TREE OF SARAH ELIZABETH ROBISON STEWART
WIFE OF WILLIAM STEWART

James Robison, Sr. 1755-1804
James Robison, Jr. B. June 2, 1782
D. May 4, 1866
Agnes McCrea
Rachel McKelvey B. May 9, 1785
D. April 2, 1860

William Robison
B. Aug 7, 1808
D. Jan 11, 1878
Buried at Forks of Cheat Church

Elizabeth O'Neal
D. May 18, 1879
Buried at Forks of Cheat Church

Sarah Elizabeth Robison 1868-1924

Reuben Robison
B. Dec 13, 1837
D. August 26, 1902
Buried at Forks of Cheat Church

Sarah Elizabeth Britt
B. Jan 5, 1846
D. Nov 18, 1896.
Buried at Forks of Cheat Church.

Robert Britt
B. Jan 12, 1772
D. June 1, 1846

Levi Britt
B. December 29, 1800
D. Jan 19, 1874
Buried at Forks of Cheat Church

Sarah Elizabeth Britt
B. April 23, 1804
D. June 19, 1877

William Griffin
B. 1760-1832
1760-1832
From Del. & settled in Georges Twp.
Fayette Co. Pa.

Sarah Elizabeth Griffin
1768-1845

Charles Griffin
1734-1832

Ann Hyatt

Philip Pearce
Rhoda Pearce
D. 1831

Mary

James Robison, Sr. and Charles Griffin were Revolutionary War soldiers.
Quinter Stewart was eccentric. The dictionary describes eccentric as meaning "deviating from the usual or recognized form;...a queer or erratic person." This description fits him perfect. In fact some members of the family have described him as being mean and despicable. He was the one child of Daniel and Rebecca Stewart that did not fit the mold of the others. Even though he had the nasty habit of being unfriendly, unlikeable and unkind his nephews and nieces treated him with respect and went out of their way to be kind to him. Even with this attitude he still was always present at all family gatherings and reunions. He often visited with his brothers and sisters who tolerated him, because they knew he couldn't be changed.

Quinter Miller Stewart was born December 5, 1869 at the Stewart home on Crooked Run in Dunkard Township, Greene County, Pa. He was the last child born in Greene County. The next year the family moved to Stewartstown.

The 1880 census list him, at the age of eleven years, as being a laborer. It is thought that he may have been working at this time on the building of Lock Number 9 on the Monongahela River. He also would have working on the family farm. He had a blacksmith shop in Stewartstown for a while also.

On August 25, 1893 he married Eva Schroyer. They were married in Cumberland, Md. Eva was born December 18, 1874 near Stewartstown. She was the daughter of William and Melissa Schroyer.

After their marriage they lived with Quinter's mother at the home place. Quint was a member of the famous Stewartstown Band. He could play several musical instruments.

Quinter and Eva were active in the Eden Methodist Church. After moving to Point Marion they were active in the Trinity Methodist Church.

Quinter and Eva moved to Point Marion after 1900, but I am not sure of the exact date. Their home was on the hill overlooking the town, and had a splendid view of the river valley.

Uncle Quint worked a variety of jobs. Sylvia Baker could recall that
The Stewartstown Band
The three men in front are left to right Linsay Johnson, Frank Johnson and George Stewart. Uncle Quint is in the second row on the right.

Quint Stewart, Linsay Johnson and George Stewart

Unknown, Quint Stewart and George Stewart. Note Uncle Quint is carrying his horn.

Uncle Quint and his team in Point Marion. Clarks Lumber Mill in on far right in background. Two young colts are in front and out of focus.
he could do blacksmith work and for a number of years had a team of horses doing teamster work with them. He also painted, worked in stores in town and probably worked in the glass factories too.

His attitude probably dictated the reason he was often self employed.

There are many illustrations of Quint's rash behavior. The most heart breaking one concerned his own mother. Sylvia Baker recalled the story many times. After Daniel Stewart's death the farm was left to his wife, Rebecca. Evidently some sort of deal was made where by each child had a portion of the farm as an inheritance. However, Rebecca also had a share. Quinter took Rebecca, who couldn't read or write, to Morgantown to sign a paper. On the way back he told her that she had signed her portion over to him. This broke Rebecca's heart. Shortly afterward she left the farm and moved in with her son, William, in Point Marion. She lived with William until her death in 1903.

When Rebecca died embalming was just then coming into practice. William decided to have his mother embalmed. Somehow Quint found out. He burst into the house with a revolver saying he would shoot the first person who touched his mother to embalm her. William quickly disarmed him. Rebecca was embalmed whether Quint liked it or not.

There are many other illustrations that show his erratic behavior. When his brother, William, lay dying he was called to the house. He strolled into William's room saying at the top of his voice, "Well is he dead yet?" William replied loudly, "No, not yet!"

Quint was entrusted with money that belonged to Clyde Sisley, while he was a minor. When Clyde went to get the money from Uncle Quint he started crying and said he had lost it on an investment in a bank in Point Marion that went under in the depression. However, he never offered any proof of the loss.

Quinter died on February 22, 1941 at his home in Point Marion. He is buried in Evergreen Memorial Cemetery.

Clyde Sisley recalled that he was away when Uncle Quint died, but happened to return to town and found out that he had died and was laid out at the house. He went to the house to pay his respects. Clyde said that Charlie Baker took him to the side and said that if ever a man went through Hell before he died it was Quint Stewart. Charlie went on to describe that Quint literally burnt up with fever before he died and that you could hardly touch him. Clyde went over to the casket and touched Quint. He swears that even though he had been dead for over a day he was still warm.

Even with all his eccentric behavior Uncle Quint and Aunt Eva were still members of the family. They always attended the reunions, where Quint would play his fiddle and sing. At home he would often pump the player piano, fiddle and sing all at the same time. He owned a car, but never drove it.
If he wanted to go in the car he had to hire a driver.

After his death Aunt Eva continued to live at their home. She was looked after closely by her many nephews and nieces. She had many friends and was loved by one and all. She delighted in joining Sylvia Baker's family at Christmas, Thanksgiving and Easter. She always returned the favor by having the Bakers for dinner at least once a year.

Aunt Eva Stewart died November 19, 1956. She and Uncle Quint did not have any children.
Capt. John Hoard was in the Revolutionary War. Dennis Springer built the first Fayette County, Pa. courthouse in 1776.
Myrtie was the youngest child of Daniel and Rebecca Stewart. She was born May 27, 1873 at Stewartstown and was the only child of the family born there. Myrtie's mother was almost 42 years old when she was born and had seventeen children before her.

Myrtie was married on September 11, 1893 in Oakland, Mi. to Jesse L. Blosser. Jesse was born December 29, 1869 in Springhill Township, Fayette County, Pa. His parents were Isaac and Jane Blosser. Myrtie and Jesse were actually distant cousins, both being descended from John Blosser who settled near Point Marion in the 1790's.

Jesse had always been very close to the Stewart family since childhood.

Aunt Myrtie and Uncle Jesse always lived near to, or with William and Sarah Stewart all of their lived. Sylvia Baker said that in the family there was a saying that Myrtie could never get very far from Will. Myrtie was a sickly person most of her life. Everyday she came down ill Uncle Jesse moved her into Will's house.

Actually she and Uncle Jesse were like second parents to William and Sarah's children. They helped care for them and bought them clothing and shoes when necessary. Myrtie and Jesse were especially close to Alice, Sylvia and Lloyd.
In their later years they lived next door to Alice and Lloyd, and only a short distance from Sylvia on Blosser Hill. At least once each week these four families all gathered at Sylvia and Charlie Baker's for supper.

Uncle Jesse worked at a variety of jobs throughout his lifetime. In his youth he cut timber up the Cheat River in West Virginia. This cutting was done in what is now Coopers Rocks State Forest. Most of the lumberjacks who worked in that area lived at the famous McCollum Sisters boarding house. Uncle Jesse often said they slept on corn shucks there. He also worked at Dewings Mill in Point Marion.

When the glass factories started arriving in Point Marion he went to work with L. J. Houze. He probably did many jobs there. Sylvia Baker could recall that one time he worked at night tending the leirs.

Later he worked for McClain Sand Company and in his last years was back with Houze Glass.

One interesting story is told about Uncle Jesse's experience as a lumberjack. The logs were cut in winter and placed in the Cheat River. They were then made into huge rafts that were floated out in high spring water to Dewings Mill in Point Marion. On one of these trips down the Cheat Uncle Jesse was accidentally washed overboard. The water was swift and he couldn't make much headway swimming so he just floated along in the water making his way slowly towards the shore. Finally he floated near some rocks whereupon he grabbed hold of a rocky ledge. Uncle Jess pulled himself up to the ledge and there before him was a mass of snakes. He had happened upon a den of vipers. He quickly dropped back into the water. Later Jesse declared he would rather drown than face those snakes.

Both Myrtie and Jesse were active church members. Myrtie and Jesse probably attended Eden Church in Stewartstown in their early years. They were also two of the organizers and charter members of the Trinity Methodist Church in Point Marion. They both worked long and hard with William and Sarah Stewart, and several other folks to get the church organized and built.

Sylvia Baker said all kinds of ways were devised to get money to help build the church. She said Aunt Myrtie decided to raffle a quilt. The quilt was put on display and tickets were made up for the raffle. However, this raffle had a different twist. Slips of paper were put in a jar with numbers one to 100 on them. If you pulled number 8 you paid 8 cents for your chance. If you pulled number 54 you paid 54 cents for your chance. Well Aunt Myrtie knew there weren't many people in Point Marion who could afford the $1.00 chance. But there was one old lady in town who could. Aunt Myrtie arranged a jar full of $1.00 slips of paper and went to her house. The old lady consented
Jane Dils and Aunt Myrtie Blosser

Uncle Jess Blosser and the twins, Rena and Ruth Stewart.

to buy a ticket. Naturally she got a $1.00 slip of paper, which she paid. Aunt Myrtie later said she was sure the old lady knew the jar was rigged but never said a word.

Aunt Myrtie rubbed snuff as did most women of that period. However, she was extremely neat about it and one would never know she rubbed snuff until she spit. When she spit she was a dead shot.

One of Aunt Myrtie's greatest contributions to the family was her famous Aunt Myrtie Cookies. She made these cookies every week. They were a heavy dough cookie that was rolled out and cut with a cookie cutter. Uncle Jess had a scalloped cutter especially made for these cookies. Uncle Jess ate oatmeal and Aunt Myrtie Cookies every morning for breakfast. Sylvia Baker could not recall whether this cookie receipt came from the Stewart or Blosser family. The receipt for the cookies is

1 egg 1 teaspoon soda
1 1/2 cups sugar 2 teaspoons baking powder
1 1/2 cups lard 1/2 teaspoon salt
1 1/3 cups sour milk nutmeg to tast
Flour to stiffen the mixture (about 4 cups)
Mix the above ingredients as you do any cookie dough.
Dough can be rolled or dropped.

Aunt Myrtie died May 13, 1934. She is buried at Oak Grove Christian Church
Cemetery in Springhill Township.

Uncle Jesse continued to live alone for a short period. He later lived with Alice Colebank and Lloyd Stewart. Helen Stewart could recall that he continued to make the cookies that he dearly loved and was also good at pies too.

Uncle Jesse became very hard of hearing and this defect directly caused his death. He was walking home from work on January 6, 1945. He was walking down Penn Street in Point Marion when a train came through town backwards. The caboose was blowing a whistle but Uncle Jesse didn’t hear it. He stepped in front of the caboose. It hit him causing him to lose balance. He fell forward hitting his head on the curbing. He died almost instantly. Many people were near by who rushed to his aid but it was of no use. He was laid to rest beside Aunt Myrtie.

It is interesting to note that in Uncle Jesse’s will he made special provisions that tombstones be erected on his parents and deceased brothers and sisters graves. He also placed money in a special endowment for the upkeep of all the Blosser graves.

Aunt Myrtie and Uncle Jess never had any children, but they were dearly loved by their nephews and nieces. A fitting tribute was made to Aunt Myrtie in the obituary in the newspaper. It said, "It is with a feeling of sadness that we chronicle the death and burial of Mrs. Myrtle B. Blosser, wife of Jesse L. Blosser, said death being very sudden on the evening of May 13, 1934 at 10:30. Deceased was born in West Virginia in 1873 and was therefore 61 years of age, and was the daughter of Daniel and Rebecca Stewart.

About 41 years ago she was united in marriage to Jesse L. Blosser and to this union no children were born, and she being of a very motherly nature, manifested such nature to all the children in the vicinity in which she lived and because of this loving motherly nature she has been called by all who knew her as Aunty Myrtle.

She had been a constant member of the M.P. Church for many years living an exemplary Christian life by doing all the good she could and in all the ways she could. Her sudden departure cast a gloom of sadness and sorrow over her many friends in the community.

She leaves besides her husband, three brothers, Daniel Stewart of Garrison, W.Va., Jeremiah Stewart of near Stewartstown, W. Va. and Q. M. Stewart of Point Marion, Pa. and a number of nephews and nieces to mourn the loss of a loved one.

The many friends have the heartfelt sympathy of the entire community in the hour of bereavement and sorrow..."
FAMILY TREE OF JESSE L. BLOSSER
HUSBAND OF MYRTLE B. STEWART

Isaac Blosser
B. 1804
D. July 26, 1842

Rebecca Gillespie
D. October 26, 1880

Jesse L. Blosser
1869-1945

Eliza Jane Fowler
B. July 2, 1843
D. Feb 19, 1921

John Fowler
D. 1815

Caleb Fowler

Susannah

Agnes Gans
B. May 26, 1822
D. Feb 10, 1904
Buried at Forks of Cheat Church, Stewartstown

Jacob Gans

Joseph Gans
Of all the sons of Daniel and Rebecca Stewart only one, Dan, was a full time farmer. Their daughters did not marry full time farmers either. These sons and sons-in-law were craftsmen or laborers who farmed as a sideline. This farming helped to supplement their food supply and possibly their income during hard times. These Stewart folk had little money to speak of but their families never had to worry about starving either. In fact, the Stewarts not only fed themselves well, but also any others who were in need whether they were relatives, neighbors, or strangers. The one common thing I found in my research on this family was their willingness to help their fellow man.

The following is based on the reminiscences of Sylvia Stewart Baker. It illustrated her families methods of procuring and storing their food supply. I am positive the same procedures were used in the other branches of the family.

William Stewart always raised a number of hogs each year. He continued to raise them in the back of his lot until the town of Point Marion passed an ordinance against them being raised within the town limits. This pork was the main source of mean in their diets. Beef was evidently not widely used as they had to purchase it. Butchering was always a big event. The hogs were converted into hams, bacon and sausage. Bill Stewart was proud of his sausage and always made a great deal of it. One reason being that it could be easily stored. Aunt Myrtie Blosser was responsible for cleaning the intestines to be used as sausage casings. This was her very special job. She carefully washed them and scraped them clean with a knife and a board. After cleaning the sausage was stuffed into the casing and it was carefully coiled down into a crock. The sausage was then either covered with brine or baked in the oven. When baked the grease came to the top and when it cooled the meat was sealed inside. The other meats were either smoked or pickled.

Each year Bill Stewart always ordered 100 pounds of buckwheat flour from a farmer near Bruceton Mills, W. Va. The farmer would deliver it in a wagon. Normally before winter was over thiw was gon and more buckwheat had to be ordered. Buckwheat oakes and sausage was breakfast each day during the winter months.

Vegatables from the garden were canned and preserved in many ways. Tomatoes and other vegatables, such as rubarb, were put up in stone crocks. Corn and beans were dried. Potatoes, beets, turnips and parsnips were cold stored in a hole or in the celler. Sally Stewart always raised a large number of parsnips because they were her favorite vegatable. Fruits such as apples, peaches and pears were either canned or dried. Enormous amounts of jellies and jams were also made. Sylvia recalled that her mother often put up jelly in gallon crocks. These preserves were made from every conceivable item including apples, peaches, pears, quinces, plumbs, crabapples, grapes, tame and wild, raseberries, strawberries, elderberries, dewberries, and the highly favored blackberry. In the springtime greens such as polk was often canned for winter use.

Wild foods such as mushrooms were also used when found. In the fall they scoured the woods for chestnuts, walnuts, hickory nuts and butternuts.
BERRY PICKING

The picking of berries was a very important event in the early summer. Sylvia recalled that they would often get up at 5 a.m. to go berry picking. Her father would get his boat and several of the children together, usually Alice, Sylvia, and Stella and row up the Cheat River to above where Lake Lynn Dam is now. They would pick blackberries there all day. She remembers on several occasions getting 40 to 50 gallons in one day. After finishing late in the day they would ride home in the boat, shooting the rapids where the dam is now. The next day would be spent in canning the berries. As stated earlier they were put up in one gallon stone jars. By the end of the blackberry season her mother would have canned 200 gallons of blackberries.

Raspberries and strawberries were scarce so they didn’t have many of them. However, a lot of elderberries were picked which were made into jelly using apples.

The reason they picked so many berries is they never knew if the next year would be a good crop or not. So they always canned enough for two years. Also the berries were free and money was scarce.

Occasionally Sylvia would go out to pick berries to sell. She would get 50 cents a gallon for them and often walked five miles to pick. She was allowed to keep any money she earned picking berries. She was the best berry picker of her brothers and sisters. Her Dad was the top picker in the family.

SARAH STEWART’S HOME MEDICINE

Sarah made all of her home remedies for colds and sickness. William Stewart would go out and collect herbs and weeds. They were hung up to dry in the smoke house. He particularly liked boneset which was boiled into a tea for a cold. If he felt a cold coming on Sarah would boil up a bowl of the tea and he drank it before going to bed. In the morning no cold. Will Stewart also made polecat grease which was rubbed on the body for aches and pains. He rendered the grease down and it had no polecat smell at all. He gave it away to anyone who wanted it.

Sally Stewart also made senna tea which she put into her hair. When she died at age 56 she still had no grey hair. Aunt Myrtie Blosser always complained about her doing that. She said she was doing it to keep from going grey.

Sylvia recalled when she was real little, three or four years old, they had a boarder, Doc Stewart. He wasn’t related, but was a doctor. Sarah got a lot of her medicines from him. She made a liniment that used eggs. Alice, who was older, helped him fill capsules and got the nickname, "Doc" which they called her for a long time. One time Doc Stewart borrowed some eggs to make Sarah some of the liniment and then charged her for it.

MINOR VICES

There is no doubt that all the Stewart men used alcohol and tobacco. Most were moderate in their drinking habits but it is well known that a few of them would go on a toot occasionally. Reminiscence among family members indicate whiskey was the favorite drink. I do not recall anyone mentioning the drinking of beer. With all of them doing farming as a sideline surely they made some wine to drink. It was also very common in that period to put up apple cider for drinking and vinegar.

Tobacco was not only used by the men, but also by the women. Aunt Lizzie Stewart smoked a pipe. Rebecca Stewart, Sally Stewart and Aunt Myrtie Blosser
all rubbed snuff. I would imagine all of the other Stewart women rubbed snuff also. Snuff was used by placing a pinch between the lip and the gums. Aunt Myrtie was noted for being so clean about her use of snuff. Sylvia Baker recalled that when her mother, Sally, got irritable Aunt Myrtie would say she only needed a rub of snuff.

**CHURCH LIFE**

Daniel and Rebecca Stewart were very active church members all of their life. They were of the Methodist faith and were closely connected to the Eden Methodist Church in Stewartstown, West Virginia.

The Eden Church was initially started in 1840 when meeting were held in a log school house. In 1845 the church was erected at its present location. The first church was built by Isaac Zearly. The earliest members were Dr. and Mrs. Frank John, Mr. and Mrs. William Stewart, Mr. and Mrs. John Hoard and Mr. and Mrs. Tom Blosser. All of these people were either related to or close friends of Rebecca and her family.

I believe Rebecca attended the Eden Church from its very beginning even though she was only nine years old in 1840.

It is entirely possible that Daniel and Rebecca met at some church function and were undoubtedly wed in Eden Church. After their marriage they lived in Greene County. There home was about three miles away from Eden as the crow flies, but a little further on foot. Also the Monongahela River has to be crossed. Mary Elizabeth the first child of Daniel and Rebecca was born in Greene County. When she died in 1851 she was buried at Eden. Rachel Matilda, who died in 1862 and George Ira, who died in 1865 were also born in Greene County but buried at Eden.

Evidently Rebecca and Daniel attended Eden Church even though they lived
in Greene County. The pull of this church was very strong to them and may have influenced on their moving to Stewartstown in 1870.

Daniel was a great singer and had a strong love of Methodist hymns. He was often so carried away with the singing that he sang all the way home from church. Daniel's sister, Rachel Horner, was also well known as a good singer.

The ties of this little country church was also strong in the children and some of the grandchildren of Dan and Rebecca. Many family members consider this the mother church of the clan. The Trinity Methodist Church of Point Marion, Pa. as we shall see, was a direct offspring of Eden Church.

Daniel and Rebecca are buried in the graveyard of Eden. Other family members buried there include four children, 18 grandchildren, three great grandchildren and two great great grandchildren. Three daughters-in-law of Dan and Rebecca are also laid to rest there as well as Rebecca's mother and her half sister.

FAMILY BURIALS AT EDEN METHODIST CHURCH

1. Daniel Stewart
2. Rebecca Stewart
3. Elizabeth Davis Blosser Stewart, mother of Rebecca
4. Mary Elizabeth, daughter of Daniel and Rebecca
5. Rachel Matilda, daughter of Daniel and Rebecca
6. George Era, son of Daniel and Rebecca
7. William, son of Daniel and Rebecca
8. Infant son of David and Anna Stewart
9. William, son of David and Anna Stewart
10. Infant son of David and Anna Stewart
11. Mary E., daughter of David and Anna Stewart
12. Jesse K. Johnson, son of Sis and Bill Johnson
13. Mary Johnson, wife of Jesse K. Johnson
14. Merty Belle, daughter of Jack and Lizzie Stewart
15. William, son of Pet and Clark Sapp
16. Infant daughter of Keener and Eliza Stewart
17. Lewis D., son of Keener and Eliza Stewart
18. Alpheus S., son of Keener and Eliza Stewart
19. Infant son of Keener and Eliza Stewart
20. Lizzie, daughter of Jerry and Sade Stewart
21. Jessy D., son of William and Sarah Stewart
22. Franky, son of William and Sarah Stewart
23. Estella Sisley, daughter of William and Sarah Stewart
24. Millie, daughter of William and Sarah Stewart
25. Rebecca, daughter of William and Sarah Stewart
26. Ruth, daughter of William and Sarah Stewart
27. Nannie, wife of Jerry Stewart
28. Sade, wife of Jerry Stewart
29. Sarah, wife of William Stewart
30. Ethel, daughter of Jesse and Mary Johnson
31. Lloyd, son of Jesse and Mary Johnson
32. Franklin, son of Jesse and Mary Johnson
33. Stanley, son of Jesse and Mary Johnson
34. Dale Baker, son of Sylvia and Charles Baker
35. James Huffman, son of Mable and James Huffman
36. Dorothy McCourt, daughter of Evenelia and Bernard McCourt
37. Margaret Colebank, half sister of Rebecca Stewart
As the children of Dan and Rebecca moved away from Stewartstown most continued in their faith in the Methodist Church. Dave and Anna attended the Methodist Church in Uniontown. Sis and Bill Johnson probably attended Mt. Union Methodist Church, because they are buried there. Jack and Lizzie had some connection with Oak Forest Methodist Church because they are buried there. Pat and Clark Sapp lived in High House and may have attended the Mount Moriah Baptist Church in Smithfield. Keener's family attended the Taylortown Methodist Church. Quinter and Eva attended Eden and later Trinity in Point Marion. The most active church members of the children of Daniel and Rebecca were William and Myrtie.

William and Sarah Stewart and Myrtie and Jesse Blosser were the two couples who were instrumental in the founding of the M.P. or Trinity Methodist Church in Point Marion.

Discussions on starting a church by members of the Eden Church who lived in Point Marion were evidently started as early as 1895 or 1896. The first meetings were held in the Maple Building. Later the Christian Church offered the group use of that church for their services. A revival was held at the Christian Church. Sunday School and preaching was next held in the School house from 1898 to 1900. During this period plans were made for building a church. Money was collected from various sources including dinners and raffles.

One interesting story was told about Bill Stewarts efforts to collect some money for the church. As most of the members of the new church were originally from the Stewartstown area he decided to go there and ask for contributions to the church. He walked to Stewartstown one and came back another. He asked people for money or produce. He thought he could sell the produce to a store in Point Marion. All he got for his troubles was one egg.

William Stewart and Jesse Blosser went into the mountains of West Virginia and cut the logs for the church. They were floated down the Cheat River and dressed out at Clarks mill.

On March 21, 1900 five trustees were elected for one year. They were John A. Clark, John A. Crow, Jesse L. Blosser, Fulton E. Young and William Stewart, Chairman.

The following Sunday, March 24, 1900, nineteen persons were received as charter members. They were, William Stewart, Sarah Stewart, Jesse L. Blosser, Myrtie B. Blosser, Millie J. McClain, Lucy McClain, Mollie Martin, Isa Jennewine, Rachel Jennewine, Ed VanNorman, Ada VanNorman, Fannie Cagey, Jane Blosser, Clark Morris, Sophie Morris, Alice L. Stewart (Colebank), Bessie Cagey, Della Moore and Linsey Blosser.

The Stewart family church connections continue on today. Not only are members of the family active in church affairs, but several of the Stewart descendents are ministers for various denominations.
One of William Stewarts favorite pastimes was hunting and fishing. It not only provided pleasure, but also food and cash. Coon hunting was one of real joys. He and his friends would often cross the Monongahela River and hunt coon up through Crooked Run Hollow. Of course, Will was raised nearby and knew this area like the back of his hand. He could travel these woods and hills at night and never become lost. One of his best coon dogs was named Quill. Quill had a famous reputation in the Point Marion area. One reason for this was that he howled at the top of his lungs whenever any church bells were rung. He could be heard all over town. Another favorite hound, was named Fred.

Kirk Rhodes and William Stewart

Clyde Sisley recalled a story his father, Ellis Sisley told him about a hunt with Will Stewart. Ellis and Will went coon hunting one night. While out hunting Will fell over a cliff and tumbled to the bottom. The light got lost in the fall. Ellis finally groped his way through the dark and found Will. He was lying still and at first Ellis thought he was dead. However, he only had his wind knocked out and he soon came around. Ellis helped Will to his feet and in doing so found Will was on top of his dog which was unconscious. Will started crying thinking he had fell on the dog and killed him. He picked the dog up and started walking toward home. About half way there the dog came to. As it ended up neither Will or the dog were seriously hurt.

Mighty Coon Hunters.
Left to right, Rena, Ruth, Bill Cline, Charlie and Lloyd Stewart
The hunting instinct in Bill Stewart came from his youth when he trapped and traded in furs and pelts. He trapped all along the Cheat River and often walked over the mountain to Bruceton Mills area to purchase furs from local farmers. It is reported that he had a fur shack somewhere near Ice's Ferry where he prepared his furs for shipment. At that time the main furs were raccoon, opossum, and skunk. Occasionally there would be a mink.

William also loved to deer hunt. It should be recalled in those days that the deer population was low because of overhunting and the fact that more land was cleared for farming. If a farmer found a deer near any of his fields he killed it. When deer season came in there were few deer. Bill often went to a farm near Bruceton Mills to hunt. In all of his years of hunting deer he only got one during the hunting season. Bill Colebank recalls that everyone was excited when Grandfather Stewart got that deer. Several pictures of the mighty hunter and his friends were taken. Bill, of course, had a few drinks and kept saying, "Boy, am I tickled." His son, Charlie, remarked he should be saying "pickled" instead.

Fishing was done mainly to provide food. Catfish were plentiful in the Cheat and Monongahela Rivers and were taken by dynamite. The dynamite was placed in a floating barrel and denoted. The stunned fish floated to the top and were scooped up into buckets and tubs in the skiffs. Sylvia Baker often recalled her father bring home several wash tubs of catfish at a time. She and her sisters had to clean all these fish. They were salted and placed in stone crocks for future use. Sylvia never liked fish and you can understand why.

Fish were also gigged. At Point Marion the Cheat and Monongahela Rivers met. The men would gig in an area called the pocket where the two streams met one another. The pocket was several hundred yards down stream from the point near Sprucetown. The fish often laid in this pocket. They gigged large cats, bass and pike there. This gigging was done at night by a light affixed to the front of the boat. It was illegal. Sylvia recalled that her father and Uncle Jess Blosser would go out and the whole family would worry about them until they returned.
Sarah and William Stewart and a mess of catfish.

The first Stewart Reunion, August 14, 1909.
THE STEWART REUNION

This picture was taken at the first Stewart Reunion on August 14, 1909. The location was Camp Run Park, near Point Marion, Pa. Front row, left to right, Jesse and Myrtie Blosser, Jerry and Anna Belle Stewart, Bill and Sis Johnson; middle row Quinter and Eva Stewart, David and Anna Stewart, Jack and Lizzie Stewart. Top row William and Sarah Stewart, Clark and Pet Sapp.

The Stewart Reunion has been held continuously since 1909 without a year ever being missed. This has to be one of the outstanding family reunion records in the United States.

On the occasion of the 50th Reunion, Charles W. Stewart, then president of the Stewart Reunion, wrote the following reminiscense of the first reunion, held when he was ten years old.

"The dictionary describes a reunion as 'The act of uniting again or gathering of relatives, friends, or associates after separation.' We are sure that this was the motivating idea in the minds of those who first convening the thought of a reunion. As to who this may have been, the planning and arrangement was left to those members of the family living in or near Point Marion. Some of these were William, Quinter, and Jerry Stewart and Myrtie Stewart Blosser and their wives and husbands and families.

"This was quite a task and necessitated much work and planning, for we must remember that 50 years ago there were few paved roads, picnic grounds
with running water, tables, playgrounds and the like as we have today, no cars or
buses, few passenger trains, few telephones or the many accepted luxuries of today.
Keeping these things in mind you can readily picture some of the work involved.
A spot at the edge of Point Marion on Camp Run, a short distance from the old
baseball field, was selected for our first reunion. Then the work began; the grass
and tall weeds had to be cut by hand with scythes, a big barrel or hogshead
cleaned and prepared for sufficient water. That hogshead had not been used for
some time and was dried out making it like a sieve. Water had to be poured into
it until the wood got water soaked enough to hold water. Those of us who carried
the water for this purpose learned how much water can be poured into a barrel with­
out filling it. After several hundred gallons of water and several days it
finally got tight enough to be of service. When the time arrived the hogshead was
loaded on a wheelbarrow by my Dad and wheeled about a mile from our home to the
picnic spot, then filled with water carried in pails from a nearby spring. So
for the beverage.

"Then began the meeting of the clan and keeping in mind few trains or other
transportation, the gathering of relatives started 2 or 3 days in advance. Uncle
Jack Stewart and family from Hundred, W. Va., was usually one of the first to
arrive, followed by other members of the family until the day long planned for
also arrived. On August 14, 1909, with much ado, well filled picnic baskets,
a barrel of water and a great spirit of renewed family fellowship, the first
reunion of the descendents of Daniel and Rebecca Stewart became a reality. It
was a beautiful day, dinner served on cloths placed on the ground, remember no
tables. Memory fails as to the program of the day except an organization meeting
and plans for future reunions with William Stewart as first president. Games
and races were also enjoyed, a picture taken with all present and thus ended our
first reunion with that hogshead still holding water."

A newspaper clipping of the first reunion was found among the personal
effects of Aunt Eva Stewart, wife of Quinter Stewart. The article says in part,
"All went with well filled baskets, dinner being served at 1:00 p.m. The table
was one of the most beautiful and finest ever seen in Point Marion. Everything
the heart could wish for was on the table. The day was spent in ball games and
racing. Q. M. Stewart rendered several selections with his violin. W. L.
Johnson sang several solos which were enjoyed by all."

Today's descendents carry on a tradition of long standing with the spirit
of togetherness and family companionship.

Janet and Frances Matthews, Addie Malone
and Leota Matthews. 1960 Reunion

Pearl Halfin and Roger
Baker 1960 Reunion
1970 Reunion. Those who were in attendance at the first reunion. Left to Right: Rena Smith, Sylvia Baker, Leota Matthews, Arthur Hoard and Goldie Tracy.
PART IV RELATED FAMILIES

THE BLOSSER FAMILY

The Blosser family descends to Rebecca Blosser Stewart as follows:

John Blosser, The Immigrant

John Blosser m. Catherine Clemmer
1767-1829 -1832

George Blosser m. Elizabeth Davis
1798-1833 1799-1865

Rebecca Blosser m. Daniel Stewart
1831-1903 1825-1887

Tradition says our Blosser family is descended from one John Blosser who emigrated to this country from Switzerland. Several branches of the family hold that he arrived in this country on the ship "Snow Betsy."

John Blosser may have been from Switzerland, but no doubt he was of German origin. He settled in the Shenandoah Valley and more than likely came there in the German migrations from Pennsylvania.

The only positive thing we know about this John Blosser is that he had at least four sons, John, Nicholas, Jacob and Abraham. All were born in Rockingham County, Virginia. Of these four, John, is the progenitor of the Blossers in Southwestern Pennsylvania.

Several of the "mug books" published in the late 19th and early 20th centuries stated the Blosser brothers arrived in Western Pennsylvania before the American Revolution. This is impossible because of their ages.

The earliest record of the Blossers we can find is in 1796 when John Blosser purchased a large chunk of land from Sam Kinkaid on the north side of the Cheat River where it empties into the Monongahela. Today, this land is across the Cheat River from Point Marion and is known as Blosser Hill. Some of the property remains in the hands of Blosser descendants today.

All the Blosser brothers apparently moved over the mountains to Western Pennsylvania about this same time. Tradition indicates the Clemmer and Cagey families moved with them. All settled in the same vicinity in Springhill Township. John Blosser was married to Catherine Clemmer and Nicholas Blosser to Ann Cagey.

The 1810 census shows one interesting thing. John Blosser, although his property was on the East side of the Monongahela River in Springhill Township, Fayette County is listed living in Dunkard Township, Greene County. Apparently he lived directly across the river from his Springhill property in 1810.

In the 1810 Springhill census Abraham Blosser is listed, but crossed out. This would indicate he moved on to Ohio about this time. Also listed are Jacob
Isaac and Nicholas Blosser. Isaac Blosser's age is shown as between 26 and 45. Therefore, he is not a son of the others. I would guess he is another brother. However, family tradition does not recall him. He may have moved on westward.

The census record indicated that John Blosser's household consisted of three males and one female under 10 years, two males and two females 10-16 years, one male and one female 16-26 years, one female 26-45 years, and one male over 45.

John Blosser had one male and four females under 10 years, two females 10-16 years, one male and one female 26-45 years.

Isaac Blosser had three males and one female under 10 years, one female 16-26 years and one male 26-45 years.

Nicholas Blosser had one male under 10 years, one female 10-16 years, one female 16-26 years, one female 26-45 years and two males and one female over 45 years.

Today the tombstones of John and Nicholas Blosser can be found in a small cemetery called the Cagey Cemetery. I prefer to call it the Cagey-Blosser Cemetery. It is located in what is now called Greater Point Marion, on the hill above Sprucetown. The original Blosser homes were probably very near to this cemetery.

Before I go into the history of John Blosser of Blosser Hill I will give you this brief outline of his younger brother Nicholas. We know nothing on Abraham, Jacob and Isaac Blosser except they probably moved west.

**NICHOLAS BLOSSER**

Nicholas Blosser, son of John, was born, according to his tombstone October 18, 1774 in Rockingham County, Va. The 1810 census, however, shows him over 45 years of age, which would indicate birth before 1765. He married Ann Cagey. They moved with the rest of the family to Western Pennsylvania about 1796. The 1810 census indicates there were young children in their household, but apparently none survived childhood. There is no mention of children in either Nick's or Ann's wills.

Nick died February 6, 1814. In his will he says his property is to be divided equally, after the death of his wife, between Elizabeth Clemmer, daughter of Jacob Clemmer, Nancy Huffman, daughter of Nancy Huffman, an indentured servant and James Robinson, also an indentured servant. Jacob Clemmer was named executor.

Ann Blosser died before May 1820 and in her will she mentions nephews and nieces, Henry, Jacob, Christian, Catherine, and Anna Zimmerman. Her brother, Christian Kahee (Cagey) was named executor.

**JOHN BLOSSER**

John Blosser, son of John, was born, according to his tombstone, in 1767 in Rockingham County, Va. The 1810 census indicates he was over 45 which would place his birth before 1765. On February 5, 1796 he purchased parts of the grants known as "Dover" and "Greenfield" from Samuel Kinkaid. The deed described this land as being "on the East side of the Monongahela River near the forks of the Cheat."
Family tradition indicated John’s wife was Mary Clemmer. However, on September 8, 1799 John sold part of his tract of land to Jasper Whitestone. The sheepskin deed for this transaction survives today in the hands of a Blosser descendant. This indenture clearly indicates John’s wife was named Catherine. This document is signed by both John and Catherine Blosser. This can only leave one conclusion. John’s wife was Catherine Clemmer. Mary may have been a nickname or a middle name. At present the name of her parents are unknown.

We know very little about John and Catherine Blosser. John was probably a farmer, but he may have engaged in other work activities connected with the river and forest.

John died February 10, 1829 and Catherine in 1832. After her death a deed was drawn up among the surviving children selling the property to their brother, Isaac Blosser.

John and Catherine Blosser had twelve children. The following record may not be exact as to the correct order of birth.

1. Barbary Blosser, born May 9, 1788. On April 16, 1807 she married Nicholas Fast (June 11, 1786–December 14, 1868), son of Christian and Anna Fast. In 1815 they moved with other members of the Fast family by flatboat to Ohio. They first settled in Richland County. In 1823 they moved to Elyria, Ohio. In 1832 Nicholas purchased 325 acres in Troy Township, Ashland County, Ohio. The exact date of Barbary’s death is not known. Barbary and Nicholas Fast had 10 children.
   1a. Christian C. Fast, born January 2, 1810, died 1885. He married first to Catherine Harik and second to Elizabeth _______. He is buried in Henry County, Ohio.
   2a. Henry Fast, born February 27, 1812.
   3a. John B. Fast, born October 14, 1814. He was a Free Will Baptist minister in Prairie City, Illinois. He wife was Sarah ______.
4a. Mary Fast, born October 15, 1816. She married a Kribs.
5a. George Fast, born April 1, 1818.
6a. Catherine Fast, born March 3, 1820. She married a Sanders.
7a. Anna Fast, born April 15, 1822. She married a Wright.
8a. Barbara Fast, born January 14, 1824. It is believed she married first a Merrifield and second a Sharer.
9a. Isaac Fast, born June 18, 1825.
10a. Jemima Fast, born August 16, 1829, died March 3, 1861. She married in 1845 to Jesse Simmons.

2. Catherine Blosser, born June 8, 1790. She married June 26, 1806 to Martin Fast (June 12, 1784–June 13, 1838), son of Christian and Anna Fast. They also emigrated to Ohio with the rest of the Fast family. He settled in Jackson Township, Wayne (now Ashland) County, Ohio in 1821. Martin died in a fall from a bee tree. Catherine died March 21, 1859. Both are buried in Polk, Ohio. They had nine children.
   1a. John Fast, born April 12, 1807. He married Mary Fast.
   2a. Anna Fast, born February 28, 1809. She married twice. First to Robert Reed and second to Daniel Burlingame.
   3a. Eli Fast, born September 6, 1811, died September 11, 1874. He married in 1835 to Margaret Berry. They had 12 children.
   5a. George Fast, born May 27, 1816, died February 5, 1818.
   6a. Mary Fast, born March 6, 1919. She married James Keener.
   7a. Jacob Fast, born 1821. He married first to Mary Plice and second to Malissa Burlingame.
   9a. Sarah Fast, born July 21, 1831, died July 30, 1832.

3. Elizabeth Blosser was born in 1794. She died in the late 1830’s. She married Christian Fast (October 6, 1795–1840), son of Christian and Anna Fast. They went to Ohio with the rest of the Fast family in 1815. In 1836 they moved from Ohio to Fulton County, Illinois. Elizabeth and Christian are both buried at Prairie City, Illinois. They had ten children.
   2a. Martin Fast, born February 17, 1816. He married to Mary Ann Cain and Laura Houston.
   3a. David Fast, born September 22, 1818.
   4a. Isaac Fast, born March 19, 1820.
   5a. Levina Fast, born April 22, 1822.
   7a. Clemmer Fast, born March 24, 1829. Notice this first name. It brings down the Clemmer family connection into the Fast family.
   9a. Eliza Fast, born July 1, 1830. She married Isaac Granville.
10a. Katy Fast, born September 22, 1834. She married John Barker.

3. John Blosser, married Anne ________. No other information known.

4. George Oliver Blosser was born September 3, 1798, according to his tombstone. He is the direct ancestor of the Stewarts as he was Rebecca Blosser Stewart’s father. George married Elizabeth Davis. She was born in 1799. The exact date of their marriage is not known. George was probably a farmer and lived in the vicinity of Point Marion. He died at age 34 years, 7 months
Tombstone of Elizabeth Davis Blosser Stewart, her mother. At Eden Cemetery.

Rebecca Blosser Stewart's Family

Henry Blosser and wife. He was a brother of Rebecca.

John Blosser, brother of Rebecca.

The Nieman Family. The old lady in the center is Mariah Nieman, sister of Rebecca.

Thomas and Margaret Colebank. She was a half sister to Rebecca. Tom was a Civil War Veteran. They are buried at Eden.
and 7 days on June 9, 1833. He is buried in the Cagey-Blosser Cemetery. After
his death Elizabeth married Fedellas Stewart of Stewartstown. They had two
children, William and Margaret Stewart. Elizabeth died January 26, 1865 and is
buried at Eden Cemetery beside Fedellas Stewart. George Oliver and Elizabeth
Blosser had five children.

1a. "Kit" Blosser is believed to be the oldest child. Kit was
probably a nickname for Catherine. Clifford Hoard dates her birth at about
1824. Kit married a Hillman. We know very little on this family and all
contact with them has been lost. John L. Colebank thought they lived near
Pittsburgh, Pa.

2a. Henry Blosser is believed to have been born about 1826. We
have very little information on him except he married and moved west about
1850.

3a. John Blosser was born June 11, 1828. We are not sure if the
year of his birth is correct because his sister Mariah's birthdate is also
recorded at 1828. One is in error, but which one is questionable. John
married November 10, 1855 to Malinda Conn (1827-1901.) John owned a 125 acre
farm near Stewartstown. In addition he was also a stonemason. He died July
19, 1905. Both he and Malinda are buried at Forks of Cheat Church near
Stewartstown. They had eight children.

1b. Eleanor E. Blosser, born September 5, 1856 and died
April 9, 1940. She never married.

2b. Harriet Eliza Blosser, born September 20, 1857, died
October 27, 1936. She married William W. Robison. Their children were
Aledbert, Mayme and Orland.

3b. Anna Mary Blosser, born September 28, 1859, died
January 1949. She married George F. Martin (1850-1941) who was county
superintendent of school for Greene County, Pa. They had seven children,
Frank, William, Clara, Florence, Elmer, John and Helen.

4b. Laura Susan Blosser, born February 26, 1862 and died
February 10, 1930. She married Hugh O. Cunningham (1859-1938). They had
four children, Mary, Jessie, Nellie and Lillian.

5b. William L. Blosser, born February 13, 1864 and died
September 22, 1942. He married Anna M. Manning (1876-1956). They had three
children, Donald, Lorentz and Eleanor.

6b. Emma F. Blosser, born February 20, 1865 and died 1937.
She married Judson Sisler (1862-1917). They had seven children, Charles,
Pearl, Grace, Rhea, Robert, Paul and Frank.

7b. Carrier Mae Blosser, born May 25, 1867 and died October
28, 1942. She married Charles D. Nabors (1864-1942). They had two children,
Lillian and Russell.

8b. Louise Lydia Blosser, born October 6, 1872 and died
November 7, 1949. She married Arthur Crowe, and had one daughter, Sylvia.

4a. Mariah Blosser was born May 23, 1828. See above on John
Blosser's birthday. Mariah may have been born later, perhaps in 1829 or 1830.
Mariah married John Henry Nieman, a native of Germany. They lived near Stewarts­
town, where John was a wheelwright. Sylvia Baker recalled that Aunt Mariah and
her Grandmother, Rebecca Stewart, looked very much alike. Rebecca died in 1903
in Point Marion. One day shortly after her death Sylvia and her sisters were
playing in the street in front of their home. Up the street rode an old lady
dressed all in black, riding side saddle on a black horse, just like Grandma
did. They looked again and thought it was their Grandma's ghost. The kids
went off screaming into the house. Of course, it turned out to be Aunt Mariah
stopping by for a visit. Mariah and John Nieman had 12 children, several of
whom settled in the Brandonville, W. Va. area. The children were:

1b. Catherine E. Nieman, born December 3, 1849 and died
May 3, 1933. She married Martin Cupp and lived in Brandonville.
2b. Infant, born and died in 1851.
4b. Frederick W. Nieman, born November 2, 1853, died October 15, 1858.
5b. John Henry Nieman, born October 13, 1855 and died December 18, 1942. He married Mary Spiker (1866-1940). They lived in Point Marion. They had four daughters, Jessie, Norma, Lula, and Grace. Jessie Nieman was one of the most beloved school teachers in the history of the Point Marion schools.
10b. Sarah M. Nieman, born February 6, 1866 and died May 6, 1941. She married Samuel McGrew and they lived near Brandonville, W.Va.
12b. Carrie A. Nieman, born April 6, 1870 and died May 13, 1903. She married Daniel Stewart and is the ancestor of all the Stewart descendants in this book. See Daniel and Rebecca Stewart's chapter for more information.

5a. Rebecca Blosser, born January 22, 1831, and died October 16, 1903. She married Daniel Stewart and is the ancestor of all the Stewart descendants in this book. See Daniel and Rebecca Stewart's chapter for more information.

6. Sarah Blosser, born 1801 and died in 1818. She is buried in the Cagey-Blosser Cemetery.

7. Isaac Blosser was born in 1804. He married Rebecca Gillespie. After the death of his mother he purchased the home farm from the other brothers and sisters for $50.00 each. Isaac also died at an early age in 1842. His tombstone says July 26, but his will was probated May 18, 1842. He is buried at the Cagey-Blosser Cemetery. His wife, Rebecca died October 26, 1880. Isaac and Rebecca Blosser had eight children. This list is not in order of birth.

1a. Henry Blosser, born June 21, 1828 and died April 10, 1901. He married on March 1, 1857 to Mary M. Brooks (1831-1926), daughter of Mary Baker and James Brooks. They had seven children, Lurania, Joseph, James, Jesse, George, Mary and Julia.

3a. Isaac Blosser, born February 16, 1837 and died December 31, 1896. He married January 1, 1865 to Eliza Jane Fowler (1843-1921), daughter of Caleb and Agnew Fowler. Ike Blosser lived on the old Blosser farm until his death. He was well known for his strength. One occasion he was working in the fields when several men rode up on horses. One huge man said he was looking for Ike Blosser. Ike said you have found him. The man then said that he had come to fight him. Ike took off his coat and proceeded to thrash the man. After recovering the man shook Ike's hand and rode off. On another occasion during a fight at Morris Cross Roads with Chris Sadler, witnesses reported their blows sounded like the kicks of horses. Ike and Jane Blosser were very close to the Stewart family. Their son, Jesse, married Myrtie Stewart. Aunt Jane was loved by one and all. She and Ike had 13 children.

2b. Laura Blosser, born November 24, 1866 and died April 16, 1899. She married Albert Van Horn.

4b. Josephine Blosser, born April 21, 1870, died January 11, 1892. She married Albert Van Horn.

5b. J. D. Benedick (Ben) Blosser, born October 20, 1871, and died January 20, 1895.


9b. Isabella Dora Blosser, born June 20, 1877 and died November 10, 1918. She married Alpheus Dills.


12b. Della V. Blosser, born October 9, 1884 and died February 10, 1962. She married Elmer W. Moore.

13b. Goldia E. Blosser, born September 22, 1888. She married Newton J. Ball. Goldie is the only member of this family still living.

4a. George Blosser. He married a Johnson.

5a. Margaret Blosser. She married William Sargent. Aunt Mag lived near Sturgenson, W.Va. The Stewarts would often go to her home to pick berries in the nearby mountains.

6a. Matilda Blosser. She married George Downey.

7a. Rebecca Blosser. She died at one year of age. Buried at the Cagey-Blosser Cemetery.

8a. Infant.

8. Nicholas Blosser, born at an unknown date. He died in 1866. He married Anna Gillespie, daughter of David and Margaret Gillespie. Anna died October 1, 1871. Nick Blosser was engaged in the lumbering business. They had ten children.

1a. Jacob Blosser, married Permelia Wells.

2a. Isaac Blosser, married Catherine Runner.

3a. George Blosser, married Catherine Rhoderick.

4a. Nicholas Blosser, married Amy Conn.

5a. Henry Blosser, married Mary Cunningham.

6a. Thomas Blosser, married Nancy Sergent.

7a. Hester Blosser, married Henry Dorsey.

8a. Mary Blosser, married Allen Plum.

9a. Elizabeth Blosser

10a. Hannah Blosser


10. Mary Blosser. She married William Kirkpatrick.

11. Henry Blosser. He married Isabella Stewart, daughter of Charles and Jane Stewart. They had five children.


2a. Isaac Blosser

3a. Matilda Blosser

4a. Jane Blosser, married Peter Conrad, Sr.

5a. Isabella Blosser, married Arnold Starcher.
THE HUGGANS FAMILY

Our earliest ancestor in the Huggans family I can locate is James Huggans. He was the father of Rachel Huggans who married Daniel Stewart Sr.

In the 1790 census of Cumberland County, Pa. we find James Huggans and Esehel Huggans. James is listed as having one male over 16, four males under 16 and one female living in his household. Esehel is listed as a single male. James and Esehel Huggans were probably brothers.

In 1798 Asahel Huggans died intestate in Greene County, Pa. His wife, Jane and a minor son, Asahel, Jr. survived him. In 1810 William Huggans, Sr. petitioned the court to permit Asahel Huggans, Jr. to take possession of his father's property. At the time Asahel, Jr. was 13 years old and his mother, Jane, was deceased.

James Huggans cannot be located in the 1800 census. On May 19, 1805 James purchased a 50 acre tract of land in Dunkard Township, Greene County, Pa. from Nicholas Fast. This property adjoined the land of Christian Fast and William Graham. How long before this land purchase James moved into Greene County I have not been able to determine.

James did not live long to enjoy his new home. He died intestate in late 1806 or early 1807. On January 13, 1807 his wife, Nancy, was made administrator of his estate. William Ayers was made administrator.

Sometime between 1807 and 1813 Nancy married Thomas Davis.

Court records indicate that there must have been problems in the settlement of James Huggans' estate. This could have been caused by the fact he and Nancy had several minor children. On September 25, 1813 "Thomas Davis, Nancy his wife late Nancy Hugans" and William Ayers were ordered to appear at the Registers Office in Waynesburg on October 7, 1813. They were to bring with them their "account and vouchers as administrators of the said estate, in order that the same may be audited and settled." A notation shows the order was served but no one appeared.

On February 8, 1819 a similar order was issued and delivered to Nancy Davis and she was ordered to appear on February 15, 1819. There is no indication if any settlement was made.

In the same year, 1819, Rachel and Cynthia Huggans petitioned the court for some property of their late father, James Huggans. They both were over 14 years of age at the time and James Shelby was appointed their guardian.

During various dated in 1826 the heirs of James Huggans sold their shares in James' land to John Huggans. John was a son of James and Nancy Huggans. The deed that is of interest to us is dated August 14, 1826 in which "Daniel Stewart and Rachel his wife" sold their share to John Huggans. Both Daniel and Rachel made their X's on the deed.

James and Nancy Huggans had seven children as follows:

1. James Huggans
2. Polly Huggans, married Rice Huggans.
The earliest ancestor I can find in our Cowell family is Christian Cowell, the father of Phoebe Cowell who married Jeremiah Stewart.

Howard Leckey in his research on the Cowell family believes Christian Cowell was the ancestor of all Cowells in Greene County. He believed Christian came to Greene County from Bucks County, Pa. and may originally have been from New Jersey. It is believed his wife's name was Mary Hufty. Further research in Eastern Pennsylvania and New Jersey could reveal more information on this family.

At this time I'm not sure of the date of the Cowells entrance into Greene County. However, Andrew Waychoff recorded the following story on page 50 in his LOCAL HISTORY OF GREENE COUNTY AND SOUTHWESTERN PENNSYLVANIA. The story is titled "Indian Lead Mine in County." "A story which received credit in that community (Mount Morris, Pa.) for many years and resulted in years of search by James Canon and others was as follows: That during Indian times, and during one of the raids by the Indians in that section, they captured the father of Jacob Cowell, and took him to the north side of the creek, near what has been later known as the 'Branding Pens.' Some things about the story as told lead me to locate the place on or near the lands of John Long. Here they securely tied Cowell to a tree, and blindfolded him. They left him there for two hours. When they returned and got him they were carrying quite an amount of lead ore."

Jacob Cowell mentioned in the story was a son of Christian Cowell. If this story is true then Christian Cowell was once captured by Indians. Therefore, he must have arrived in Greene County prior to or during the Revolutionary War.

Christian Cowell is found on the 1798 Tax List for Cumberland Township, Greene County. In the 1800 and 1810 census he is found living in Jefferson Township.

Christian Cowell made his will on November 13, 1814 and it was probated on March 20, 1815. His wife, Mary, survived him. He made provisions for all of his children in his will. Christian and Mary Cowell had thirteen children.

1. Abraham Cowell
2. Christiana Cowell, married a Himble.

3. Isaac Cowell. He may be the same Isaac Cowell who received a pension for Revolutionary War service in New Jersey. He was in Captain Nathan Iuse's Company of the Western Regiment of Morris County, N. J. Militia during 1776 - 1779. He was in New Jersey State Troop, enlisting in June 1776. He was in Battles of Long Island August 26, 1776, Monmouth on June 28, 1778 and then removed to Bedford County, Pa. in 1781. He served in the Pennsylvania Militia there. In 1808 he moved on to Greene County, where he died in 1841. His
Children were, Christian, Dorothy, Mathias, Daniel, Jacob, Elizabeth, Margaret and Sarah. Similarity of names leads me to believe that this Isaac is the son of Christian.

4. Elizabeth Cowell.

5. Jacob Cowell

6. Catherine Cowell, married an Abbot.

7. Ann Cowell

8. Phoebe Cowell, married Jeremiah Stewart. They are our ancestral line.

9. Joseph Cowell, married Mary

10. Christopher Cowell, married Phoebe. He died in 1822. Their children included John, Eli, Rezin, Christopher, Jr., Sarah, Agnes and Mary. There may have been several other children including a second Eli.


12. Mathias Cowell

13. Andrew Cowell, married . He died about 1839. Their children were John, Agnes, William, Mary, Joseph, Elizabeth, Rachel, Isaac and Rebecca.

How do we know that the Phoebe Stewart listed in Christian Cowell's will is our ancestor who married Jeremiah Stewart.

For one thing court records are very scarce. About the only thing found in the Greene County courthouse is Phoebe Stewart's application for a divorce from Jeremiah Stewart dated March 25, 1820. Phoebe's tombstone found in Garards Fort Cemetery says "Phoebe Crumpston, formerly Phoebe Stewart, wife of Jeremiah Stewart, d. Jan 27, 1848 aged 64 years." It is believed Phoebe married second to Henry Crumpston.

Another clue is the 1927 interview of Charles Stewart with Sam Conner. He said Jeremiah Stewart "married a Cowell," and "Chris Cowell was probably a brother of Jeremiah Stewart's first wife." Phoebe did have a brother, Christopher.

The last clue is the use of the names Jeremiah and Phoebe in the family. Daniel Stewart, Sr. had children with both names.

Therefore, it is my belief that Phoebe was a daughter of Christian and Mary Cowell and that she married first to Jeremiah Stewart, and had children, Daniel, Sr., Hiram, John, Jeremiah, Charles, Sary and William. She married second to Henry Crumpston, but had no children.
PART V - OTHER STEWART FAMILIES

THE STEWART FAMILY OF TENMILE CREEK

Howard L. Leckey in Volume VII of his book THE TENMILE COUNTRY AND ITS PIONEER FAMILIES gives a history of four Stewart brothers, who settled in the vicinity of Fort Jackson (now Waynesburg, Pa.) on Tenmile Creek in what is now Greene County, Pa.

It was Mr. Leckey's belief that these four brothers, James, Hezekiah, Daniel and Isaac were sons of Daniel Stewart. This Daniel Stewart was an Indian trader who obtained a traders license in 1742.

It is entirely possible that our earliest known ancestor, Jeremiah Stewart, may be a brother of these four Stewarts. See the chapter on Jeremiah which shows the possible connections.

Briefly I will outline what is known about the four Stewarts. Most of this information is from Mr. Leckey's book.

JAMES STEWART

James Stewart was living in the vicinity of Fort Jackson during the Revolutionary War and served in Captain James Archer's Company of Washington County Militia. He later lived in Wayne Township where he died intestate in 1823. His wife was named Eleanor. She later moved with some of her children to Monroe County, Ohio where she lived in 1860 at age 96 years. They had twelve children of record.

1. Elizabeth, married Nathan Clark.
2. Eleanor, married George King. She died in 1843.
3. James, Jr. He may have moved to Monroe County, Ohio.
4. Daniel. It is believe he never married. He moved to Monroe County, Ohio where he died in 1871. According to census records his mother, Eleanor, lived with him until her death.
5. Rebecca. Leckey says she married a Mr. Lewis. However, it is believed she married Lewis Stewart.
6. Letitia, married Phillip Huffman. They lived in Monroe County, Ohio.
7. Sarah, married Solomon Huffman. They lived in Monroe County, Ohio.
8. John
9. Peter
11. Hannah, married Tobias Haught.
12. Rachel

HEZEKIAH STEWART

Hezekiah Stewart was an early settler on Pursley Creek, where he was living when he served in Captain James Archer's Militia Company. There is evidence to indicate that he may have lived on Dunkard Creek for a time, since his wife was Susannah Bonnett. Her sister, Mary Bonnett, married Captain John Wetzel, father of Lewis Wetzel, the famous Indian fighter. It is known that these people were originally from Pennsylvania, then moved to the Shenandoah, from whence they came to Dunkard Creek. C. B. Allman in his book THE LIFE AND TIMES OF LEWIS WETZEL stated the Bonnetts were from Paoli, Pa. He further states that the Wetzels moved to Rockingham County, Va., lived there for a year or two and then moved to Lancaster County, Pa. They came to
Dunkard direct from Lancaster County. Hezekiah Stewart left no will of record, nor any estate settlement to be found in Greene County, but land which he possessed on Pursley Creek has been passed down through generations of his descendants, and there is mention of a purchase of a part of his land by Christian Sellars. Waychoff says that Hezekiah once operated a powder mill on Pursley Creek, one of the few such mills to be found in the county. His name is found among those who were customers of William Rhodes, at the trading post at Fort Jackson in 1789. Three sons are known and there may have been two daughters as indicated by the 1790 census. The children are:

1. Jacob, who married a Mason.
2. Jesse, 1794–1885, who married Rachel Smith Huffman. They had eleven children, Peter, Jesse, Catherine, Sarah, Ezekiel, Rachel, Julia, Eliza, Rebecca, Margaret and Mary.
3. David, married Elizabeth _________. He moved to Tyler County, W.Va.

**DANIEL STEWART**

Daniel Stewart owned land in Franklin Township, Greene County when he died about 1816. His will was probated March 18, 1816 with his son Samuel and brother-in-law, William Hickman as administrators. Daniel's wife evidently died before him because she is not mentioned in the will. Daniel Stewart was a member of Captain James Archer's Company of Washington County Militia in the Revolutionary War. His children were:

1. Daniel, married Eleanor _________.
2. Samuel, died in Greene County in 1871. He had eight children, Daniel, James, Mary, Jane, Samuel, Levi, Jesse and Catherine.
3. William
4. Elizha
5. James
6. Rebecca, never married.
7. Nancy, married Nathaniel Cummings.
8. Rachel, married a Staggers.
10. Dorcas
11. Polly

**ISAAC STEWART**

Howard Leckey in his research on Isaac Stewarts family concluded by searching census records that Isaac was born between 1765 and 1768. A W. P. A. survey of Revolutionary Soldiers graved lists Isaac Stewart as a soldier in the Revolution. This is evidently an error. Isaac married to Elizabeth Parrish. He lived on Smith Creek and on April 30, 1825 he deeded his property to his son, Isaac Stewart, Jr. and son-in-law, Frederick Honnell. A family tradition speaks of Isaac Stewart trading a rifle for 400 acres of land when he arrived on the frontier, but no record of ownership of such land appears on record in Greene County or Washington County. The children of Isaac and Elizabeth Stewart were:

1. Samuel, born about 1790, married Martha Hickman and moved to Monroe Co. O.
2. Louis, tradition says he went west.
3. Delilah, never married.
4. Isaac, Jr., married first to Sarah Grove and second to Sarah Shaw. He was a soldier in the War of 1812. He had seven children, Andrew, Hiram, Isaac, Rachel, Lee, Emma and Frank.
5. Peter, died about 1860. He married Catherine Edgar. They had Inghran and Jesse.
6. Rebecca, born 1797 and died 1877. She married Frederick Honnell. The children were, John, Catherine, Jesse, Elizabeth, David, James, Morgan and Delilah.
7. James, born 1802, died 1863. He married Mary Blair. Their children were: Houston (See Appendix A), Israel, Layton, Isaac, John, Spencer, Elizabeth and Rebecca.

THE STEWART FAMILY OF MONONGALIA COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA

There were three Stewart brothers, William, Robert and Charles who all settled early in Monongalia County. The Stewart brothers were all born in Ireland and arrived in America at different times. William arrived first in 1745 and eventually settled in Monongalia County in 1770. Robert and Charles followed him to the western country after the Revolutionary War. The brothers all settled near what is now Stewartstown, West Virginia.

WILLIAM STEWART

William Stewart was born in County Cork, Ireland, about 1727. He was an orphan and came with his uncle to Lancaster County, Pennsylvania about 1745. In 1750 he married Elizabeth Givens. Three children were born in that section of the country. In 1770 William and his family came to what is now Monongalia County, W.Va. Charles was but a youngster and rode a calf across the mountains. Here in Monongalia County William amassed huge amounts of land. One record states he had 23,000 acres. This is very doubtful as only two land certificates for this William Stewart are on file in the Monongalia County Courthouse. One states "William Stewart is entitled to four hundred acres of land in Monongalia County on the waters of the Monongahela River adjoining lands claimed by Thomas Mills to include his settlement made thereon in the year 1770." The other certificate says, "William Stewart assee to William Ice is entitled to four hundred acres of land in Monongalia County on Cheat River adjoining lands claimed by Thomas Mills to include his settlement made in the year 1770." (The Monongalia Story, Volume I, by Earl L. Core, page 174) Fort Dinwiddie was built on property that William Stewart later owned. All of this land is in the vicinity of what is now Stewartstown.

William and Elizabeth (also called Betsy) had eight children. Three being born in Lancaster Co., Pa. and the other five in Monongalia Co., W.Va. William died February 10, 1811 and is buried at Artis Cemetery (also called Stewart Cemetery). This small cemetery is located on what is now Route 119 near the Pennsylvania state line. Elizabeth died November 8, 1813 and is buried beside William. The children are:

1. John Stewart, born about 1751 or 1752 in Lancaster Co., Pa. He married a Miss Robe after his arrival in Monongalia County. He took up 1115 acres of land along Stewarts Run in western Monongalia County, where he built a block house in 1773. He died of yellow fever at age 35. He had seven children, William married first to Polly Jenking and second to Elizabeth Cunningham, David married Nancy Barker, Samuel married Sarah Lynch, Sarah married John Cordray, Elizabeth married Thomas Hall, Nancy and Mary.

2. Nancy Stewart who was born in Lancaster Co., Pa. She married Robert Parks and soon after they moved to Ross Co., Ohio. Their children were William, Daniel, John, Mary and three other daughters whose names are lost.

3. Charles Stewart was born in Lancaster Co., Pa. In 1815 he laid out the town of Stewartstown. The town is named after him. After selling off the lots he moved to the area of the Little Kanawha River. Charles married his cousin, Jane Stewart. They had six children, William, Robert, John, Nancy, Montgomery, and Isabelle.
4. Robert Stewart was born about 1767 and died in 1812. He married Catherine Dunlavy. They settled in Kentucky. They had at least seven children, including Rebecca, Eliza, Naomi, John, William, Dunlavy and a daughter.

5. Daniel Stewart was born in 1769 and possibly a twin of Alexancer. He died in 1829 and is buried in Artis (Stewart) Cemetery. He married Ann Kelso in 1794. Their children were, Thomas, Elizabeth, and Isabelle.

6. Alexancer Stewart was married in 1794 to Rachel Brown. He married second to Cynthia A. Taylor. He had twelve children by his first wife and seven by his second wife. The children were, William, Joshua, Alexander, John, Nancy, Susannah, Rebecca, Hannah, Eliza, Sidney, Martha, Margery, Joseph, Daniel, George, Kurrenda, Ann and two others whose names are forgotten.

7. Elizabeth Stewart was born in 1772. She married James Bennett and lived on the Cheat River about two miles from her father. They had seven children, William, Alexancer, Robert, Thomas, Jane, Nancy, John, Elizabeth and Sarah.

8. Sarah Stewart was born in 1774. She married in 1793 to Thomas McKinley. McKinley was the son of Captain John McKinley who had been killed in Crawford's Defeat. They had eleven children, John, William, Jonathan, Thomas, Uriah, Alexander, Edmund, Albert, Elizabeth, Harriet, and Julia.

ROBERT STEWART

Robert Stewart was born in County Cork, Ireland. He was a grenadier in the English army and served in Canada. His wife followed him to Canada and after his discharge he came to the Cheat River and settled near his brother, William. All of his children removed to Indiana and settled on the Wabash River. The children were, George, John, Robert, Samuel, and three daughters whose names are unknown.

CHARLES STEWART

Charles Stewart came after the Revolutionary war to America and settled near his brother William and raised his family there. Charles had also been born in County Cork, Ireland. The name of his wife is unknown. There children William, Robert, John, Charles, Rebecca, Jane who married cousin Charles Stewart and Mary.

WILLIAM STEWART SON OF CHARLES STEWART

Most of the Stewarts who live in the Stewartstown area are descended from William Stewart, a son of Charles Stewart, and his wife Elizabeth. William was born in 1760, probably in Ireland. He died in 1831. William and Elizabeth had seven children, and all of them lived in the vicinity of Stewartstown - Point Marion. The following is a record of these children:

1. Fedellas Stewart was the oldest child being born August 4, 1792. He died November 25, 1872. He is of particular interest to our family because he took as his second wife, Elizabeth Davis Blosser, mother of our Rebecca Stewart. Fedellas was married first to Mary Sadler (1820-1878) and had four children. By his second marriage to Elizabeth he had two more children. These last two children, William and Margaret, were half brother and sister to Rebecca Blosser Stewart. This makes all of their descendents half cousins to us. When Elizabeth died in 1865 she was buried at Eden Cemetery. Fedellas was laid to rest beside her upon his death. The children were Albert (1825-1883) married Susan McElroy, Isabelle (1829-1852), John (died 1852), Nancy, William J. (1840-1925) married Mary McElroy and Margaret (1844-1925) married Thomas Colebank.


4. Mary Stewart, born 1797 and died 1883. She married John L. Hoard. Their children were Edgar, James, Tabitha married David Rich, Mary married Van Buren Everly and William.


7. A daughter, who married a Rhodes. Their children were, Susan, William, Basil and Joel.

THE STEWARTS OF STEWARTS DEFEAT

"Stewarts Defeat" was a land patent of 327 1/2 acres in what is now Dunkard Township, Greene County, Pa. The southern border of this patent is the Mason-Dixon Line. This piece of land was warranted to James, John, Daniel and Charles Stewart on October 15, 1787. It was patented on April 23, 1793 to John Stewart.

What is interesting about the Stewarts Defeat land patent is that Daniel and Rebecca Stewart lived very near to it when then lived in Greene County. I have not been able to find any connection between our family and the four Stewarts mentioned in the patent, although the name Daniel is common between both groups.

Apparently James, John, Daniel and Charles Stewart were sons of one James Stewart who was killed on the attack on Fort Martin in June 1779. Their use of the name Stewarts Defeat for the land patent could well be in memory of their father's death. James Stewart's death at the hands of the Indians is a well known incident and is recorded in the famous book CHRONICLES OF BORDER WARFARE.

The two oldest sons, James and John were carried off by the Incians during the attack. According to Mrs. Isabella C. Smith of Eugene, Oregon who has done considerable research of this Stewart family, John was found several years later in Ohio. James Stewart was carried into Canada. When he was freed he remained in Canada and settled at Cedar Creek, Essex County, Ontario.

John Stewart returned to Greene County for a period and then returned to Ohio. Daniel remained in Greene County and Charles and his mother, Margaret, moved to Canada in 1805 and settled near the older brother, James. There also were four sisters who went to Canada at this same time. The meager information we have on the Stewarts of Stewarts Defeat follows:

1. James Stewart, born in 1762. He married a Miss Bruner and they lived in Essex County, Ontario, Canada.

2. John Stewart, born 1767. After his Indian captivity he returned to Greene County. Eventually he removed to Ohio. Two deeds are recorded in Greene County concerning this John. In Deed Book 2, page 333, dated April 8, 1808 John Stewart and Mary his wife of Greene County sold to John Harod a tract
of land called "Stewarts Defeat", located on Crooked Run in Dunkard Township. This deed says this land was patented unto said John Stewart, Daniel Stewart and Charles Stewart on April 23, 1793 and they partitioned it into three equal parts on February 3, 1802. On the same date John Stewart and Mary his wife sold to John Evans a part of Stewarts Defeat containing 90 acres.

3. Daniel Stewart, married Nancy Evans, a daughter of John and Sarah Evans. Daniel died in 1802 and his widow, Nancy, and Stephen Gapen settled the estate. Two children, Daniel and Mary are mentioned in his will. Nancy later remarried to David Taylor. Two deeds concerning Daniel are found in Greene County. On May 6, 1826, recorded in Deed Book 5, two deeds are drawn up. In the first David Taylor and his wife, Nancy sold 109 acres of the late Daniel Stewart in Greene County to Daniel Stewart of Ohio. In the second deed, Daniel Stewart and Sarah, his wife, of Ohio sold the 109 acres to Jesse Ross of Greene County for $850.00. This was described as a part of Stewarts Defeat.


5. Sophia Stewart, married first to a Mr. Troy and second to Abel Augustine.

6. Jane Stewart

7. Mary Stewart

8. Daughter, name no known.

APPENDIX A

Micellaneous Notes from Sam Conner
Collected by Charles W. Stewart on October 9, 1927

Daniel Stewart* had a son Daniel Stewart who was the father of his wife, Emmaline Stewart Conner. Daniel Stewart* married a Cowell. They disagreed and parted. Daniel Stewart* going to Ohio where he died and is buried. He married but his second wife's name is not know by Mr. Conner. Children were born by this union. Daniel* and his first wife lived between Jefferson and Carmichels, Pa.

One of Daniel Stewart's brothers, named William Stewart, drowned himself at the mouth of Indian Creek at Everettsville, W.Va.

Rachel Huggins Stewart's parents lived in the vicinity of Van Vorris, W.Va. She married Daniel Stewart near that place.

Chris Cowell was probably a brother of Daniel Stewart's* first wife.

Our family have relatives living in Mannington, W.Va. Huston Stewart, a monument worker and minister, who married David Kennedy's parents lived at Blacksville, W. Va. and later moved to Mannington where his son, Frank Stewart is in the same business of his father.

Daniel Stewart was married but parted and married Rebecca Blosser.

Solomon Stewart moved to Tyler County and died near Middle Island near
Sistorsville. He married a daughter of John Pearson. Several children were born of this union. They disagreed over church matters and parted. Solomon married a second time.

Matilda Ann Stewart married Peter Birch near Mount Morris, Pa. They had a son Amos Birch. Amos had a daughter who married a Myers. Matilda lived with her children in Tyler County, W.Va.

*Sam Conner means Jeremiah Stewart.

APPENDIX B

Deed Jonathan Smith to Daniel Stewart
Deed Book 6, page 533
Monongalia County, W.Va.

This deed made the 10th day of February 1870 between Jonathan Smith and Hannah Smith his wife Grantors of the first part and Daniel Stewart Grantee of the second part.

Witnesseth: That in consideration of the sum of Seven Hundred and Eight Dollars in hand paid the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged and One Hundred Dollars to be paid the 1st day of April 1871 without interest. The said Grantors doth grant with covenants of General Warranty unto the said Grantee all a certain tract of land situated on Camp Run, and being in Union Township Monongalia County and State of West Virginia bounded as follows:

Beginning at a wild cherry tree in a line of J. W. Henry and running with two lines of said Grantors other lands N 45° E 34° 14'/25 poles with side S 68° E 119 poles crossing Camps Run to Hickory tree in a line of Owen Johnes heirs and with the same S 43° W 30 poles thence S 16° W 20 poles thence with J. W. Haneys line N 61° W 126 poles crossing said run to the beginning, containing thirty acres one rood and 2 perches.

To have and to hold unto the said Grantees and his heirs forever the above described tract of land, with all and singular appurtenances thereto belonging, witness the following signature and seal

Jonathan Smith SEAL
Hannah Smith SEAL

APPENDIX C

Deed Daniel Stewart to Oliver Cooper
Deed Book 23, page 96
Greene County, Pa.

This indenture made this thirteenth day of February in the year A.D. one thousand eight-hundred and seventy between Daniel Stewart of Dunkard Township Greene County the State of Pennsylvania and Rebecca his wife of the first part and Oliver Cooper of the county and state aforesaid of the second part. - Witnesseth that the said party of the first part and in consideration of the sum of six hundred dollars legal money to them in hand paid by the said Oliver Cooper at and before the sealing and delivery hereof the receipt-whereof they do hereby acknowledge and thereof acquire and forever discharge the said Oliver Cooper his heirs and assigns by their presents have granted bargained and sold by these presents do grant bargain sell and confirm unto the said Oliver
Cooper his heirs and assigns forever all that and lot of ground situate in Dunkard Township Greene County and State of Pennsylvania bounded as follows. Beginning at a post thence by land of Isaac Van Zant, S14 E 32 perches to a post thence by land of Jeremiah Stewart S 60° W 25 8/10 perches to a post thence by land of Asa Miller N 53 E 31 perches to the beginning containing five acres together with all and singular other hereditaments and premises belonging unto the said Oliver Cooper his heirs and assigns forever and also that the said Daniel Stewart and Rebecca his wife their heirs and assigns will warrant and forever defend the above described premises and tract of land unto the said Oliver Cooper and his heirs or assigns against the claims of all persons and whomsoever in testimony where the said Daniel Stewart and Rebecca his wife have hereby set their hands and seals the day and year first above written.

Daniel Stewart SEAL
her
Rebecca X Stewart SEAL mark

APPENDIX D

Will of Daniel Stewart

I Daniel Stewart of Monongalia Co. W.Va. being of sound mind and memory and considering the uncertainty of this frail and transitory life, do therefore made, ordain, publish and declare this to be my last will and testament. First after all my lawful debts is paid, the residue of my property I desire by beloved wife Rebecca to have and use of as long as she remains my widow, and in case she marries to any person, then I desire the real and personal property sold; the widows dowery one third excepted which she shall hold her lifetime, and the two thirds sold in case she marries, and divided equal between my children living at that time, and in case she never married at her death I devise the above mentioned property sold and divided equal between my children living at that time, and if any of my children died from this date and leaves grandchildren they are entitled to there parents share. I have paid David Stewart fifty dollars, I have paid John T. Stewart fifty dollars, I have paid Gemima Ann Stewart fifty dollars, I have paid Oliver Rebecca Stewart fifty dollard, I have paid Keener Stewart fifty dollars, and if there is anything happens to me before I get to pay my other airs, they shall Fifty Dollars aplace -- and if I pay any of them it shall be credit them. I owe Daniel W. Stewart fifty dollard, I owe Jeremiah Stewart fifty dollars, I owe William Stewart fifty dollars, I owe Quinter Stewart fifty Dollars, I owe Mirty B. Stewart fifty dollars, and my big bible and Quinter Stewart my watch. Likewise I make constitute and appoint my beloved wife executor of this my last will and testament.

Witness my hand and seal this December 24, 1881.

Daniel Stewart SEAL

Attest
David Stewart
Nicholas Blosser
John T. Stewart October 11, 1883 I have paid Jeremiah Stewart fifty dollars
Keener Stewart October 11, 1883 I have paid William Stewart fifty dollard
January the 20, 1884 I have paid Daniel W. Stewart fifty Dollars.
In the name of God Amen. I Christian Cowel of the County of Greene and Commonwealth of Pennsylvania being far advanced in years but being of sound and perfect mind and memory blessed the Almighty God for the same and calling to mind the uncertainty of this life do constitute make and declare this to be my last will and testament in the manner and form following that is to say I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Mary one bed and bedding and what other household furniture shall be necessary for her use for to be of her own choosing and to be at her own disposal also. One mare one cow and four sheep also three hundred dollars to be left in the hands of my executors and to be put at interest for her support during her life and at her death the three hundred dollars to be equally divided between sons Matthias Cowel and Andres Cowel all which bequeaths I have before made to my wife I hereby declare to be in lien of her Dower at common law; Secondly I give and bequeath unto my son Abraham Cowel the sum of ten shillings in full of my legacy that he might by any means claim he being advances herefore; thirdly I give and bequeath unto my daughter Christiana Himble twenty six dollars and sixty seven cents, fifthly I give and bequeath unto my son Isaac Cowel sixty seven cents in full of his legacy which he might by any means claim he being advances heretofore sixty I give and bequeath unto my daughter Elizabeth Cowel ten dollars seventhly I give and bequeath unto my son Jacob Cowel ten dollars eighthly I give and bequeath unto my daughter Catherine Abbot eight dollars ninethly I give and bequeath unto my daughter Ann Cowel one dollar tenthly I give and bequeath unto my daughter Phebe Stewart twenty six dollars and sixty seven cents eleventhly I give and bequeath unto my son Joseph Cowel sixty seven cents he being advances theretofore twelfthly I give and devise unto my son Christopher Cowel fifty acres of land which he has a deed for where he now lives to his heirs and assigns also sixty seven cents. Thirteenthly I give and bequeath unto my daughter Mary Rush two hundred dollars fourteenthly I give and bequeath unto Matthias Cowel and Andres Cowel all the remainder of my extate to be equally divided between them all the aforesaid legacies to be paid as soon as my executors can conveniently collect the same lastly I hereby constitute made and ordain Matthias Cowel and Joseph Cowel my two sons executors of this my last will and testament hereby revoking all former wills by me made. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this thirteenth day of November in the year of our Lord one thousand and eight hundred and fourteen. 

Signed Sealed and Delivered by the above Testator to be his last will and testament in the presence of us who have hereunto subscribed our names as witnesses in the presence of the testator

Christian X Cowel

Barnet Whitlatch
John Hotheway
Coonrod Rush

*There is on fourthly listed in the will on file in the Courthouse.
APPENDIX F

Estate of James Hugan Deceased
Estate No. 191
Will Book 1, page 118
Greene County, Pa.

Citation (Issued 25th September 1813) to Thomas Davis and Nancy his wife late Nancy Hugans, who is Administratrix and William Ayers Administrator of the Intestate (on an application in behalf of the heirs of the deceased) to be and appear at the Register's Office in Waynesburgh on Thursday the 7th October next, with their Account and Vouchers as Administrators of the said Estate, in order that the same may be audited and settled etc.

Served on all 14 miles

October 7, 1813 - neither of the Administrators appear.

Will Book 1, page 189
Estate No. 319

Greene County The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to the Sheriff of Greene County Greeting. Whereas Nancy Davis late Nancy Huggins Adm. of Jas. Huggins dec. did on the 13th Jany 1807 obtain letters of Admn of the estate of James Huggins late of said county dec. Whereby the said Nancy became bound to the Commonwealth of Penna with Dougall Campbell and John Howare her surities in the sum of Dollars for the well and trusty administering the said estate, according to law, and Whereas the said Nancy has not rendered an account of her Admn according to the conditions of her bond -- There are therefore to comman your that you summon Thomas Davis and Nancy his wife late Nancy Huggins Adm. as aforesaid to be and appear before the Register at his office at Waynesburgh on Monday the 15th day of February with their accounts and vouchers as Admn. of the said estate, that the same may be audited and settled agreeably to the laws in that case made and provided and have you then there this writ. Given under my hand and seal of Office at Waynesburgh, Feby 8th AD 1819.

Wm. T. Hays

APPENDIX G

Petition of Rachel and Cynthia Huggins
Orphans Court Docket 1 page 132 (1819)

On the petition of Rachel and Cynthia Huggins setting forth that by the death of their late father James Huggins they are entitled to some property -- That they are above the age of fourteen and pray the Court to appoint James Shelby their guardian

Whereupon the Court appoint James Shelby guardian as aforesaid.
APPENDIX H

Deed - James Oliphant, Martin Keller, Daniel Stewart and Rice Huggans
to John Huggans
Deed Book 6, page 171 Greene County, Pa.

This indenture made the fourteenth day of August in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty six between James Oliphant and Jane his wife, Martin Keller and Lydia his wife, and Daniel Stewart and Rachel his wife, and Rice Huggans and Polly his wife, heirs of James Hugins late of the County of Greene, who died intestate of the one part and John Hugins also one of the sons and heirs of the said James Hugans of the other part. Witnesth that the said James Oliphant and Jane his wife, Martin Keller and Lydia his wife, and Daniel Stewart and Rachel his wife and Rice Huggans and Lydia his wife which wives are daughters of the said James Hugans for and in consideration of ninety seven dollars and eighty six cents to them in hand paid by the said John Huggans, at and before the ensealing and delivery of these presents, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, have granted, bargained and sold, and by these presents do grant, bargain and sell, release and confirm unto the said John Hugans and to his heirs and assigns all their estates parts distributory shares and interests of, in and to a certain tract of land of which the said James Hugans died seized in his demise as of fee, being the same tract of land which was conveyed to the said James Huggans by Nicholas Fast by deed bearing date the ninth day of May in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and five, on which the said James Hugans lived, situate in Dunkard Township in the County of Greene, adjoining lands of Christian Fast William Graham and others on the road leading from Washington to Morgantown a part of which was patented to the said Nicholas Fast - the residue David Shelby and containing about fifty acres strict measure; together with all the rights, privileges, hereditaments and appertinances thereto belonging, and all and every part thereof. To have and to hold all the estates, share and interests of the said James Oliphant and Jane his wife, Martin Keller and Lydia his wife, and Daniel Stewart and Rachel his wife, and Rice Huggans and Polly his wife and of each and every one of them of, and to the said tract of land and premises to the said John Huggins his heirs and assigns forever --- In testimony whereof of the said parties to these presents have hereto set their hands and seals this day and first above written.

Sealed and delivered in presence of

David Taylor
Wm. Fore

James Oliphant SEAL
her
Jane X Oliphant SEAL mark
Martin Keller SEAL
her
Lydia X Keller SEAL mark

Daniel X Stewart SEAL
mark
her
Rachel X Stewart SEAL mark
his
Rice X Huggans SEAL mark
her
Polly X Huggans SEAL mark

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APPENDIX I

TWINS IN THE FAMILY

In researching the family I have discovered 12 sets of twins. They are:

1. Emmaline and Jeremiah Stewart
2. Stillborn twins of Daniel and Rebecca Stewart
3. Lomis and Loise Gulentz
4. Arthur and Albert Malone
5. Janet and Jeane Michener
6. Leslie and Lester Morris
7. Scott and Bernard Johnson
8. Bryon and Bryson Roderick
9. Joyce and Joanne Stewart
10. Jennifer and Jessica Spink
11. Jeremiah and Edward Stewart
12. Rena and Ruth Stewart
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